



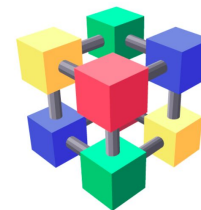
HEP Computing in Slovenia

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Introduction

- Overview of HEP computing resources
- Involvement HEP experiment & theory
- Computing software development
- Slovenian computing organization
- Plans and outlook

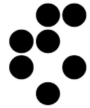


WLCG
Worldwide LHC Computing Grid



EuroHPC
Joint Undertaking

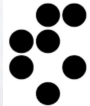




SiNET Tier-2

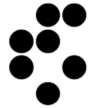
- Site dedicated to ATLAS and Belle II
 - Opportunistic usage by PAO, CTA, others including National TV cartoon rendering
- 6700 cores
- 3.5PB of storage as a part of Nordic Tier-1 dCache (~40% ATLAS space)
- 750TB of shared CephFS
- 20Gb/s connectivity to Geant LHCONE
- Contributing 2-3% to ATLAS





History

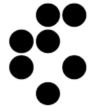
- IJS contributed to CPLEAR simulation from 1990
 - HP 9000 workstation cluster, VAX VMS
 - Convex: C3860 in 1990, Convex SPP-1000 in 1993
- Joined WLCG in 2003
 - SiGNET Tier-2 with 40 CPUs and 100TB disk through Nordugrid
- Participation in:
 - EGEE I, II, III, EGI projects
 - Member of Nordugrid collaboration since 2010
- Establishment of Slovenian National Grid Initiative SLING in 2010
 - To promote grid/distributed computing in Slovenia
 - General purpose cluster/HPC at ARNES using grid middleware to serve Slovenian science and academy using HEP distributed computing technologies



Compute

- Hardware procurement on yearly basis, spending ~300k euro/year since 2003 (manpower, OPEX not included)
- CPUs are a mixture ranging from older AMD 8-core Opteron, some Intel and latest AMD 32-core Epyc, with 64-core Zen2 coming this year
- Procurement always governed by price/performance optimization (cost/HEPSPEC06)





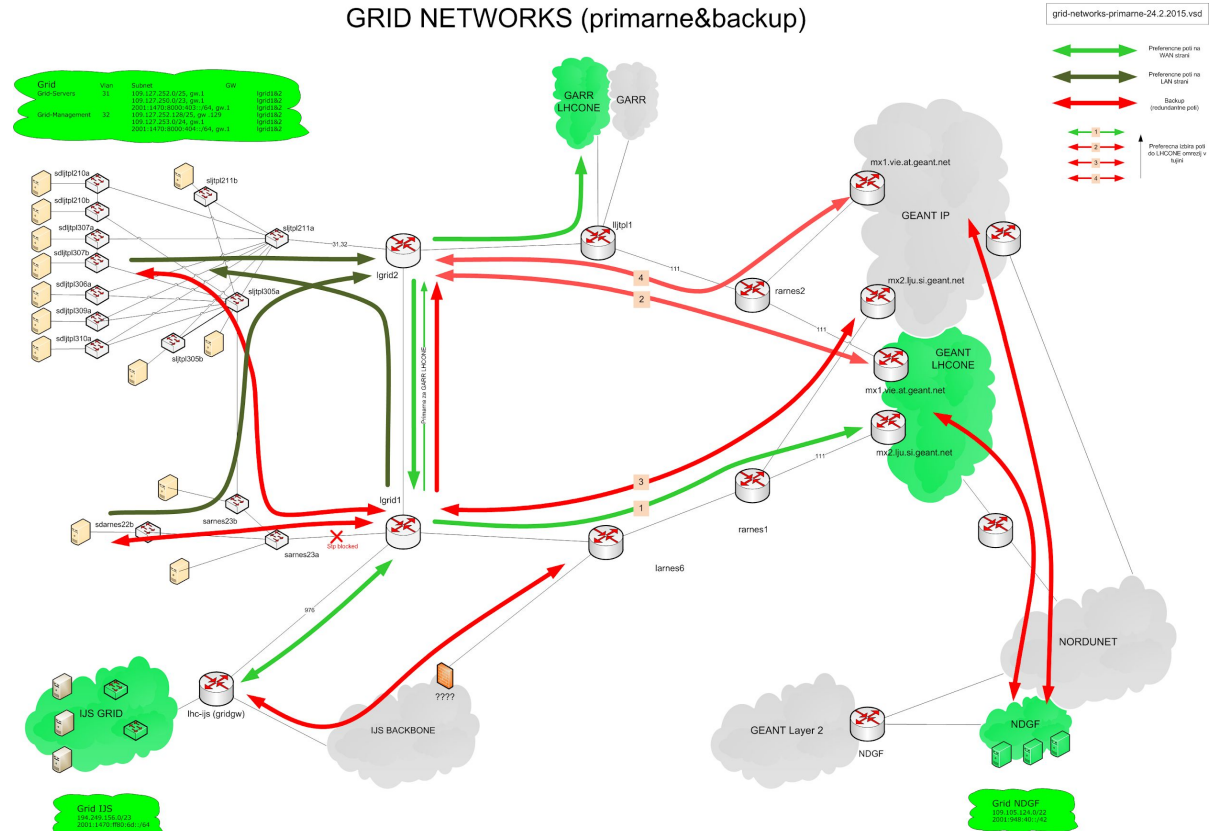
Storage

- Dedicated servers with external RAID-6 controllers, Infortrend EonStore
- Newest upcoming units 1PB/server
- Throughput $\sim 6\text{GB/s}$
- Storage servers run dCache pool service directly attached to NDGF-T1
 - HW and basic OS operated by IJS
 - dCache service maintained centrally by NDGF team
 - DataLake prototype in production for >10 years



Networking ARNES

- IJS LHCONE - 20Gb/s
- ARNES LHCONE - 30 Gb/s
- LHCONE - 40Gb/s in total
- Plans: N*100 Gb/s in 2020/2021 pending ARNES backbone upgrade

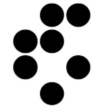




Computing activities in HEP Community

- ~3 FTEs for site maintenance & operations, ATLAS & Belle computing operations, computing software development
- Development of ARC middleware in Nordugrid Collaboration
- Development of arcControlTower
 - ATLAS distributed job submission
 - Personal Analysis job management system, to be used by SLING
- Prototyping ATLAS@Home contributing volunteer CPU resources to ATLAS
- Prototyping access to HPC resources for ATLAS MC Simulation
 - Including 4 Chinese HPCs during Run-1
 - Used today for all EU HPCs
- WLCG projects, Task Force
- Helping new sites to join ATLAS
- Attracting CS students (diploma, thesis)

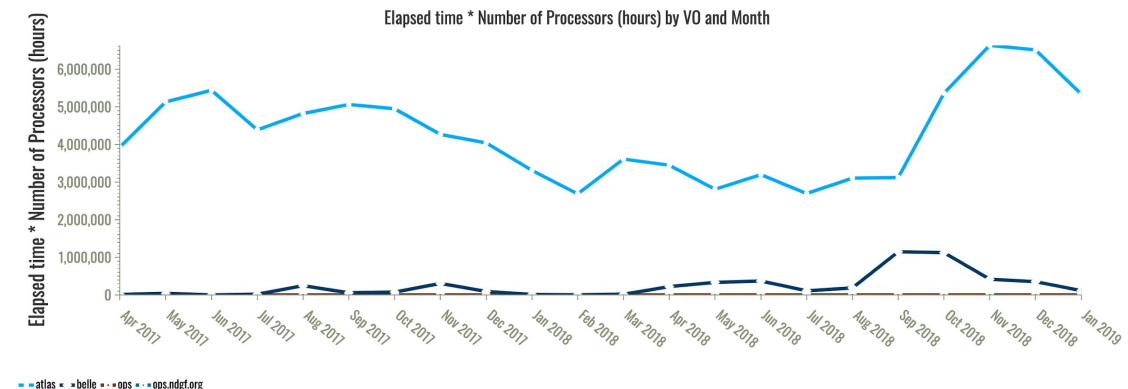
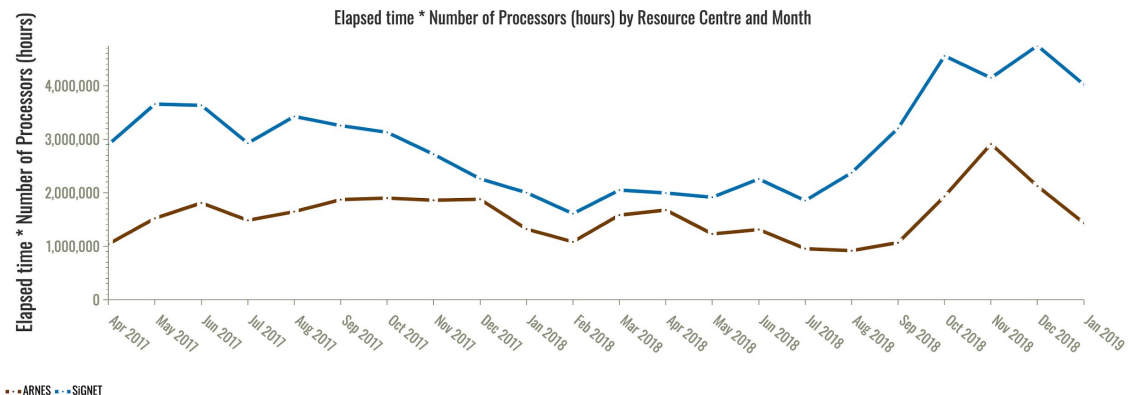




HEP Clusters

- SiNET Tier-2
 - ATLAS, Belle
- NSC HPC cluster @ IJS
 - 2000 cores
 - ~20% used by ATLAS
- ARNES HPC cluster:
 - 4500 cores
 - ~50% used by ATLAS and Belle

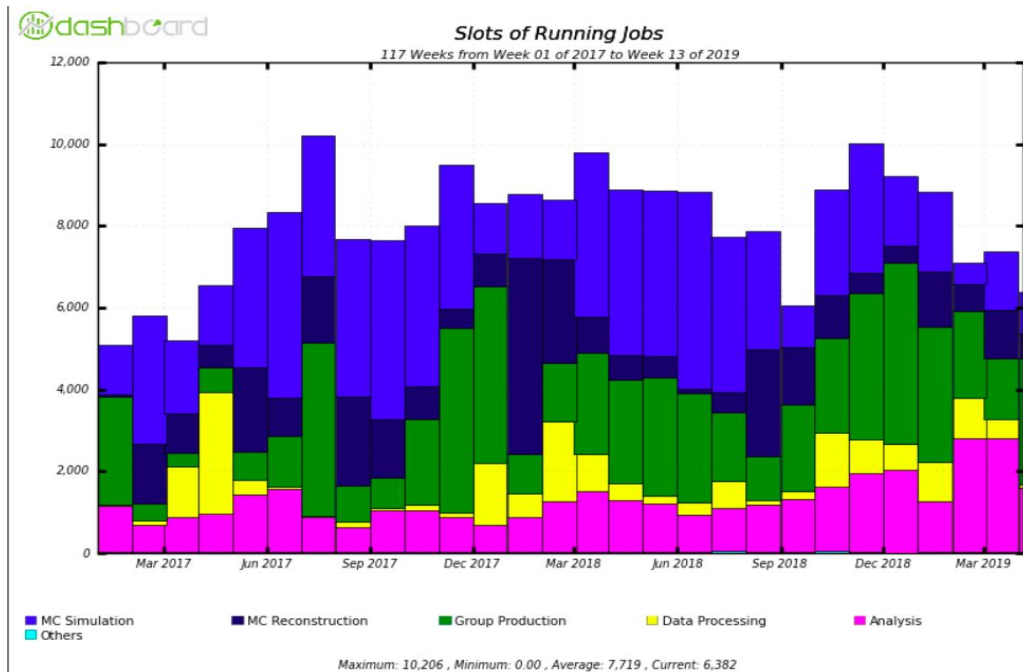
Note: missing data in EGI Accounting - in reality 8000 cores on average





ATLAS

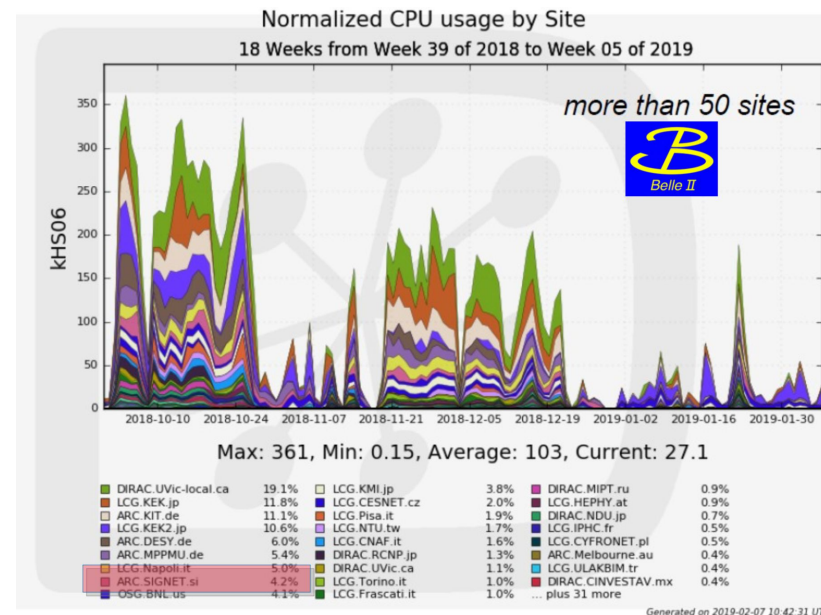
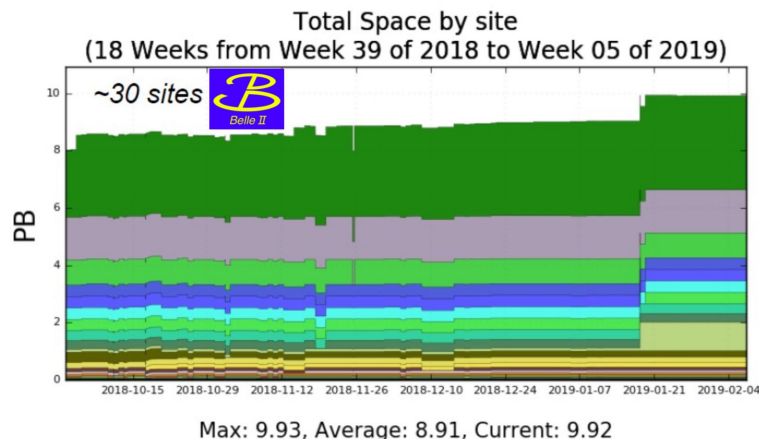
- Pledges:
 - 2010: 5200 HS06, 350TB
 - 2015: 20000 HS06, 1500TB
 - 2019: 50000 HS06, 4000TB
- Marginal data loss in the last 15 years, none due to disk failure
- Pioneering containers since 2016 on modern host OS
- Significant beyond pledge CPU
 - And even disk space



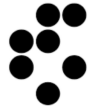


Belle II

- Joined Belle computing in 2008
- Pledges:
 - 2020: 11.900 HS06, 0.5 PB
 - 2024: 29.200 HS06, 1.8 PB



- DIRAC for job submission
- DDM converging to Rucio



Theory - Quantum field theory on the lattice

used by Sasa Prelovsek Komelj (IJS F1, FMF @ University of Ljubljana, University of Regensburg) & collaborators

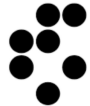
computer	cores • hours	typical number of cores run in parallel	collaborators	physics problem
Spinon F1 IJS Ljubljana	2 million	500	Skerbis, Bahtiyar, Petkovic	conventional and exotic hadrons
Dirac Great Britain	7 million	2000	Drach, Janowski, Pica	Strongly coupled field theories beyond Standard Model, composite Higgs models
Athene Regensburg	10 million	1000	Collins, Piemonte, Padmanath	scattering of hadrons
Vienna scientific Cluster Sauron @Graz	0.3 million	128	Graz group and JLQCD	chromodynamics at high temperatures



SLING

- Slovenian Initiative for Distributed Supercomputing
 - Established in 2010
 - Consortium formally established in 2018 legally represented by ARNES
- Roles:
 - Promote computing in Slovenia
 - Collaborate on computing research and activities
 - Educate and outreach
 - Participate in planning and computing strategy of Republic of Slovenia
- ~20 members from Slovenian universities, research institutes, ministries and SMEs
 - Essentially, all organizations involved in computing - grid, HPC and Cloud - are members
- Representing Slovenia in PRACE, EuroHPC, WLCG and other organizations
- Collaboration with other European and International organizations





HPC-RIVR

- 20M euro project to establish a national competitive HPC center in Slovenia
 - Funded by EC cohesion 2018-2020
- Located at IZUM in Maribor
 - 10% before this summer
 - The rest will follow during the next 15 months
- All SLING members participate in design, procurement and operation
- Planned capacity:
 - >50k CPU cores with HDR-100 infiniband and 100Gb/s ethernet
 - 30PB of CEPH storage
 - Dedicated GPU partition with ~500 NVIDIA cards
- A significant part will be used by HEP experiments,





EuroHPC

- Slovenia is a full member of the EuroHPC project
- Planning to submit an application for one of the peta-scale EuroHPC machines extending the HPC-RIVR project
- Slovenia joined Italy in application for pre-exascale Hosting Entity
 - In-kind contribution of 1M euro for a period of 5 years, manpower from SLING
 - MoU signed by SLING and Associazione BigData
 - MoU signed between Italian Republic and Republic of Slovenia to collaborate on supercomputing
- Research & Innovation
 - 4M euro Slovenian+EC funding planned for a period of 5 years
 - HEP community is participating



Conclusion and Prospects

- Slovenia is participating in HEP computing for more than 30 years and participates above the average in both resources, development and manpower
- Success of HEP computing helped to form stronger collaboration in computing at the national level through SLING
- Slovenia joined EuroHPC and plans to enhance the supercomputing in the country with HEP as a constituent member of the computing community
- HEP Computing in Slovenia has a bright future