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A globally distributed data management solution

WLCG – the LHC's offline computing platform

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Infrastructure Cluster (Grant Agreement
number: 653477).

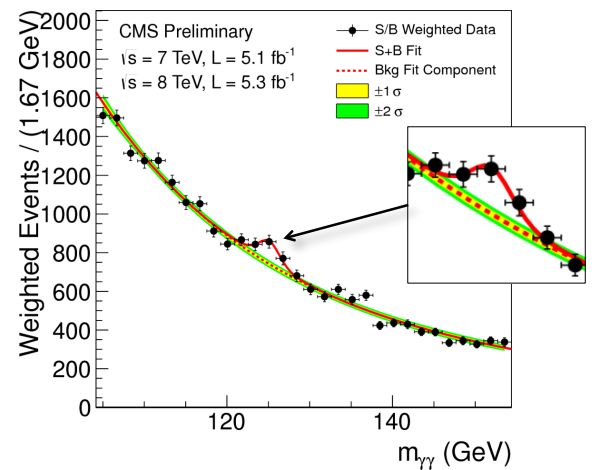
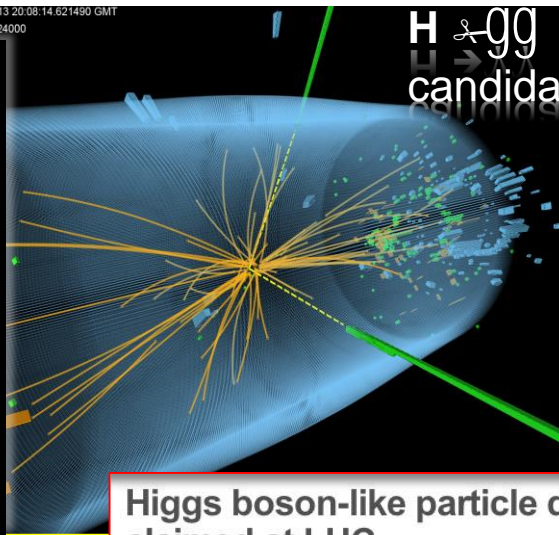
Global Effort → Global Success

Results today only possible due to extraordinary performance of accelerators – experiments – Grid computing

Observation of a new particle consistent with a Higgs Boson (but which one...?)

Historic Milestone but only the beginning

Global Implications for the future



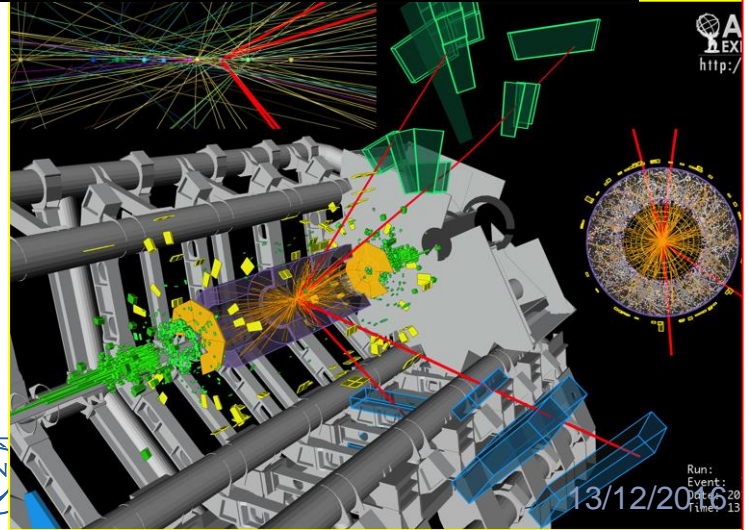
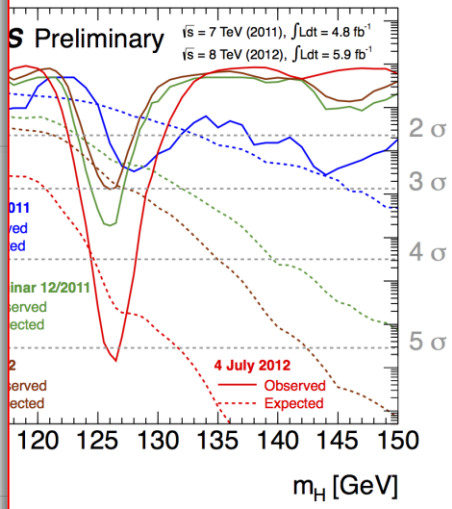
Higgs boson-like particle discovery claimed at LHC

COMMENTS (1665)
 By Paul Rincon
 Science editor, BBC News website, Geneva



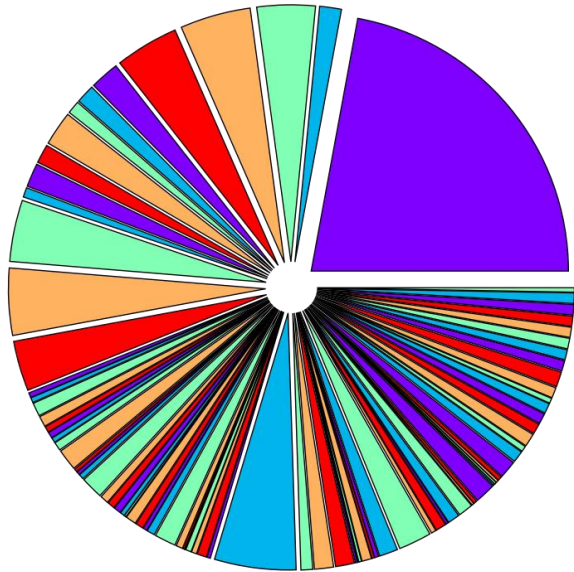
The moment when Cern director Rolf Heuer confirmed the Higgs results

Cern scientists reporting from the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) have claimed the discovery of a new particle consistent with the Higgs boson.

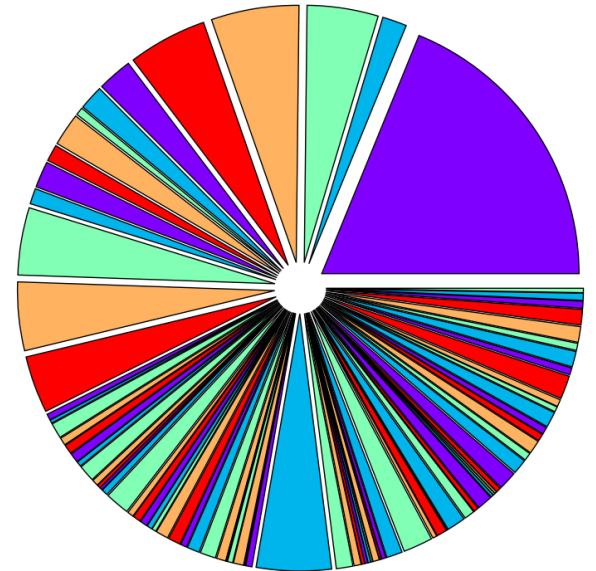


Pledged Resources

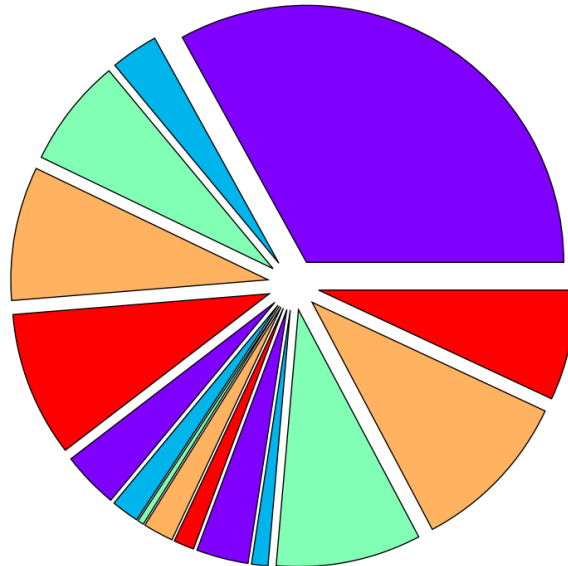
CPU by computer centre
Total ~400k cores



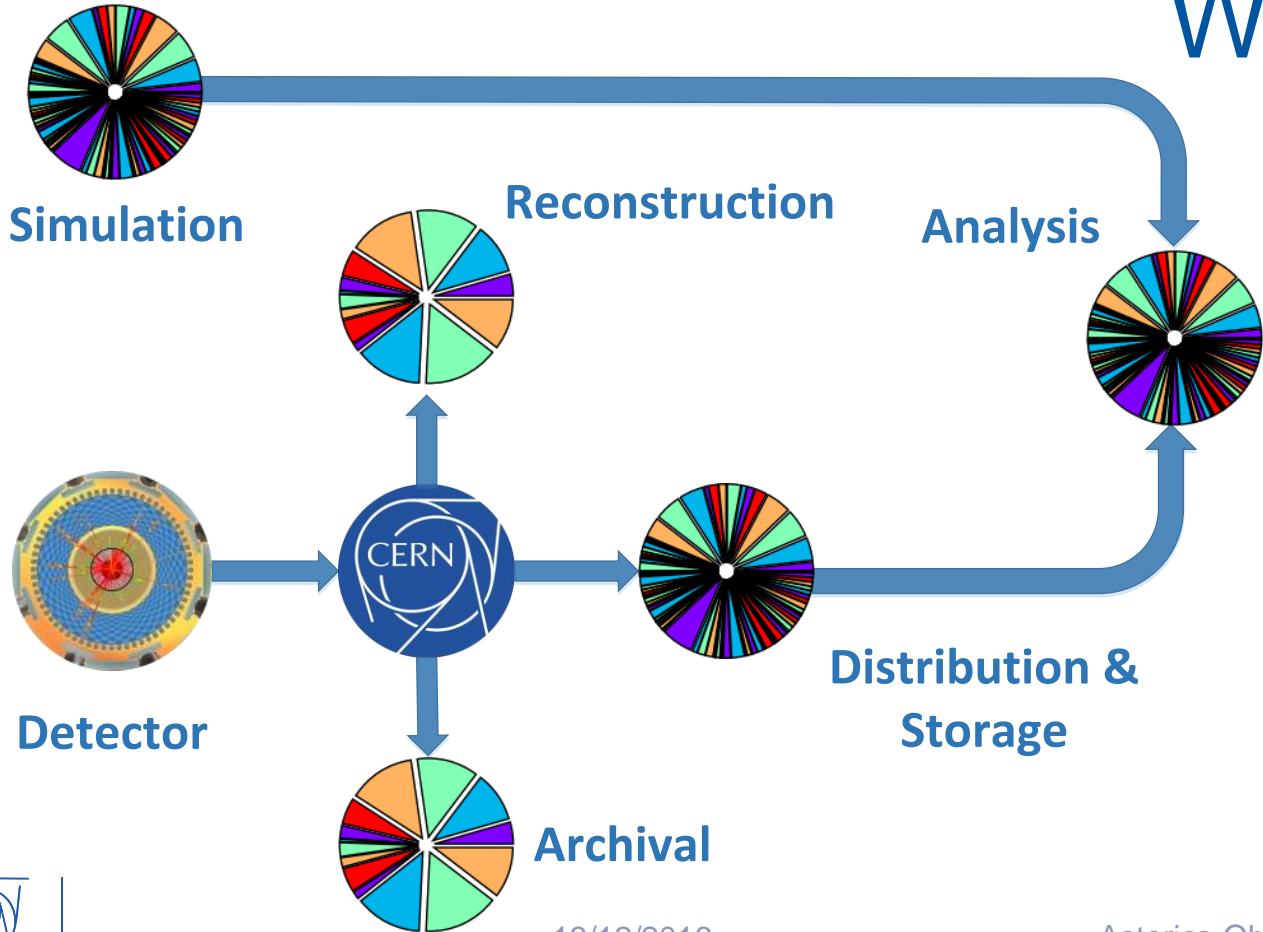
Disk by computer centre
Total ~300 PB



Tape by computer centre
Total ~400 PB



Workflows



More than half the CPU goes on simulation.

Most of the rest is reconstruction.

The remainder is analysis.

From yesterday...

Different probes/methods/specifications

We are here!



| Projects | Data Processing | Main requirements/challenges |
|---|--|--|
| EVENT-BASED (γ -rays, CR, ν) <u>CTA, KM3Net...</u> | Evt-builder, calib. and reconstruction; reduction, real-time science. | Raw big-data. Data formats. Algorithms. On-site operation and reduction. Cooperative science tools. Observatory (A&A). Multi- λ . [...] |
| IMAGE-BASED (far-IR, VIS) <u>EUCLID, LSST...</u> | Surveys/deep observation; combining photometer and spectrograph info.; Catalogue of objects. | Big-data products: data base challenges. Graphical processing, Algorithms. Images format. Catalogue preservation and query. A&A. [...] |
| SIGNAL-BASED (Radio, GW) <u>SKA, LIGO-Virgo...</u> | Noise cleaning; time-series, mathematical processing (FT) converting signal in images. | Algorithms. New computing architectures and data centres. Combination of HPC and HTC. Fast soft reduction. Data mining and preservation. A&A [...] |

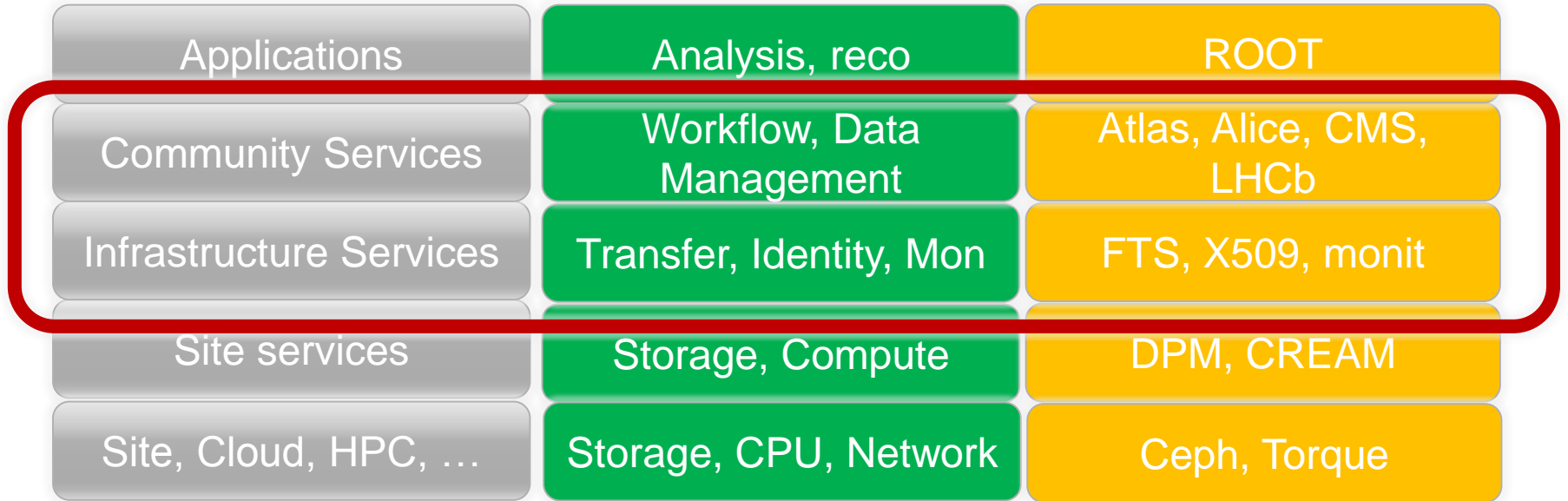
What advantages do we have?

- Event independence
- “Read-only” data
- File-based data
- Scientific Linux
- Coarse grained (VO) authorisation
- X509 acceptance
- Large proportion of CPU intensive work

WLCG Stack

| | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Applications | Analysis, reco | ROOT |
| Community Services | Workflow, Data Management | Atlas, Alice, CMS, LHCb |
| Infrastructure Services | Transfer, Identity, Mon | FTS, X509, monit |
| Site services | Storage, Compute | DPM, CREAM |
| Site, Cloud, HPC, ... | Storage, CPU, Network | Ceph, Torque |

WLCG Stack



Not (only) a grid

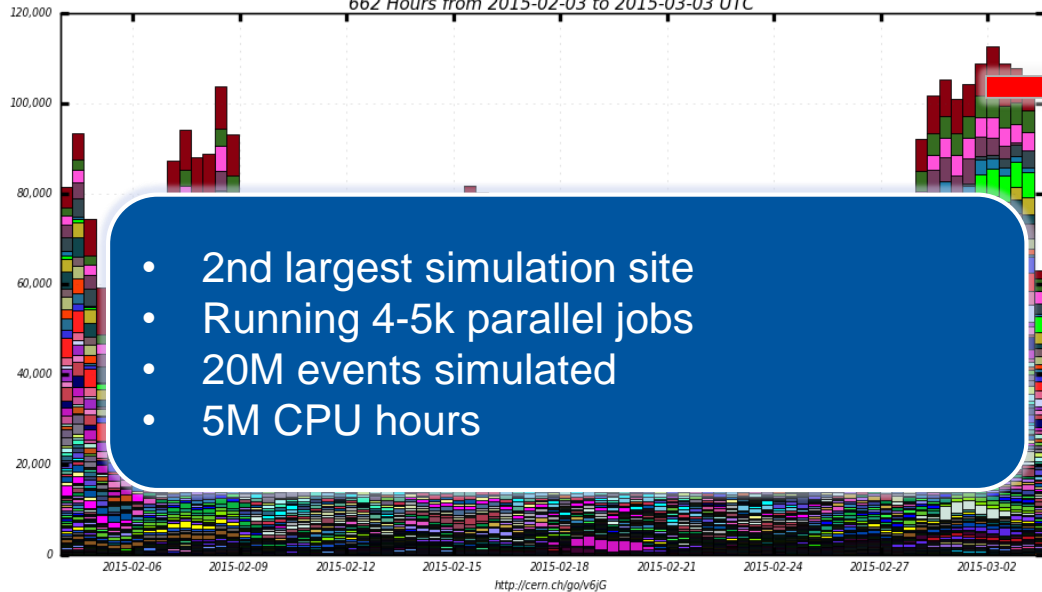
- The WLCG infrastructure comprises
 - Grid - pledged
 - Cloud - rented
 - HPC - allocated
 - Volunteer - donated
 - Concepts
 - Opportunistic resources
 - Pre-emptibility

Volunteer



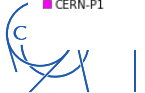
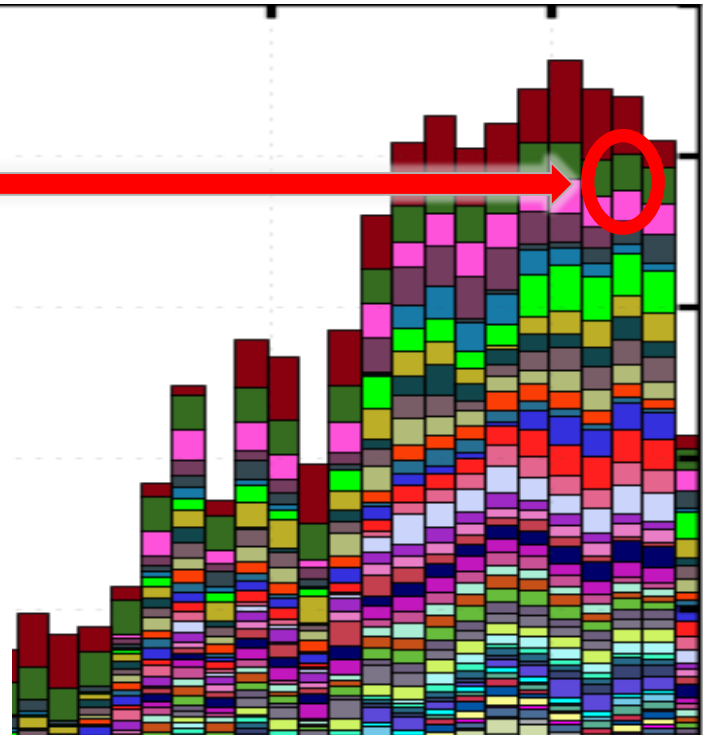
Slots of Running Jobs

662 Hours from 2015-02-03 to 2015-03-03 UTC

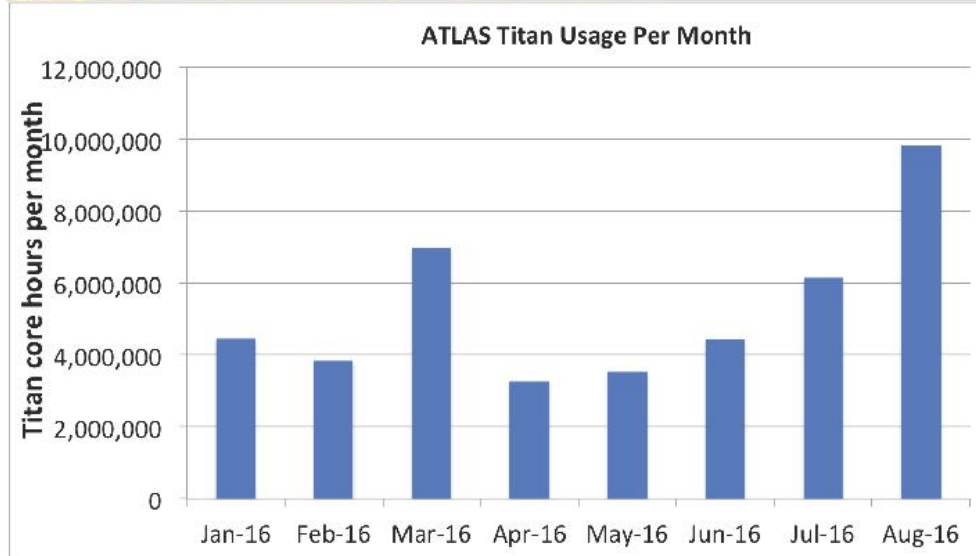


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|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| ■ BNL-ATLAS | ■ BOINC | ■ RAL-LCG2 | ■ IN2P3-CC | ■ INFN-T1 |
| ■ UKI-LT2-BRUNEL | ■ CERN-PROD | ■ TRIUMF-LCG2 | ■ DESY-HH | ■ LRZ-LMU |
| ■ MW2 | ■ INFN-NAPOLI-ATLAS | ■ UKI-SCOTGRID-GLASGOW | ■ FZK-LCG2 | ■ AGLT2 |
| ■ UKI-NORTHGRID-MAN-HEP | ■ SIGNET | ■ INDGF-T1 | ■ PIC | ■ WT2 |
| ■ BU ATLAS TIER2 | ■ UKI-SOUTHGRID-RALPP | ■ UKI-LT2-OMUL | ■ UKI-SOUTHGRID-OX-HEP | ■ UKI-LT2-RHUL |
| ■ WUPPERTALPROD | ■ UKI-NORTHGRID-LANCS-HEP | ■ SW2 CPB | ■ INFN-ROMA1 | ■ INFN-MILANO-ATLASC |
| ■ IFIC-LCG2 | ■ UTA SW2 | ■ TAIWAN-LCG2 | ■ PRAGUELCG2 | ■ CYFRONET-LCG2 |
| ■ UNI-FREIBURG | ■ GRIF-IRFU | ■ HU ATLAS_TIER2 | ■ ARNES | ■ UKI-NORTHGRID-LIV-HEP |
| ■ CERN-P1 | ■ GRIF-LPNHE | ■ IAAS | ■ NIKHEF-ELPROD | ... plus 72 more |

Maximum: 112,630 , Minimum: 0.00 , Average: 63,358 , Current: 62,935



HPC – backfill on Titan



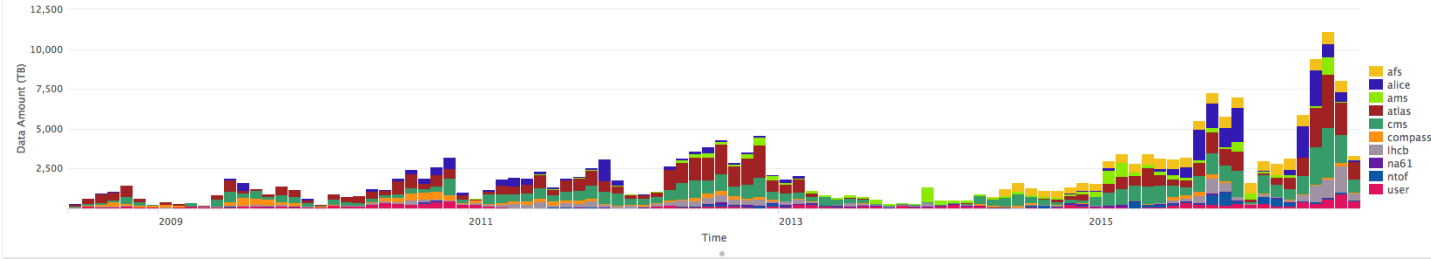
Pure opportunistic backfill mode, no project allocation, ATLAS Geant4 simulations

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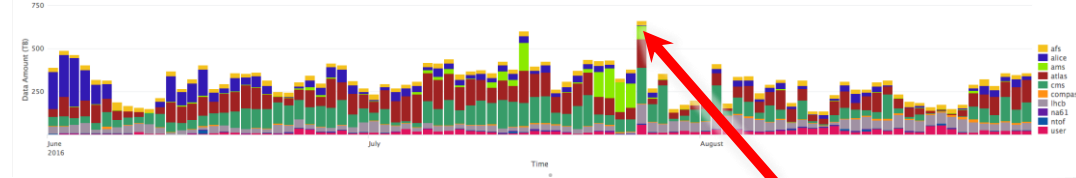
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2016 data volumes

Transferred Data Amount per Virtual Organization for WRITE Requests



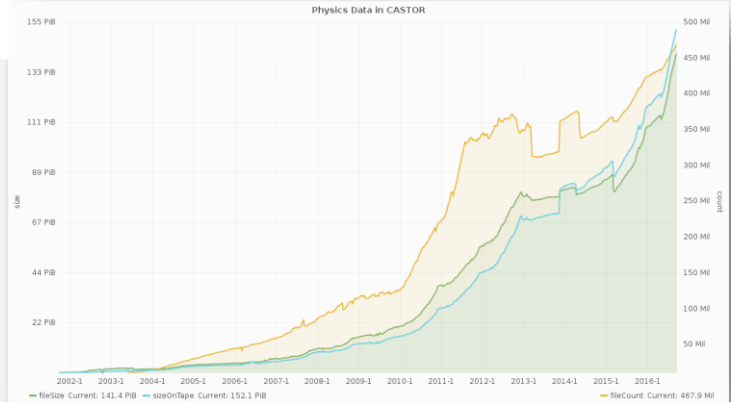
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LHC data – Continue to break records:
10.7 PB recorded in July
CERN archive ~160 PB

June-Aug 2016
>500 TB / day
(Run 1 peak for HI was 220 TB)

~160 PB on tape at CERN
500 M files

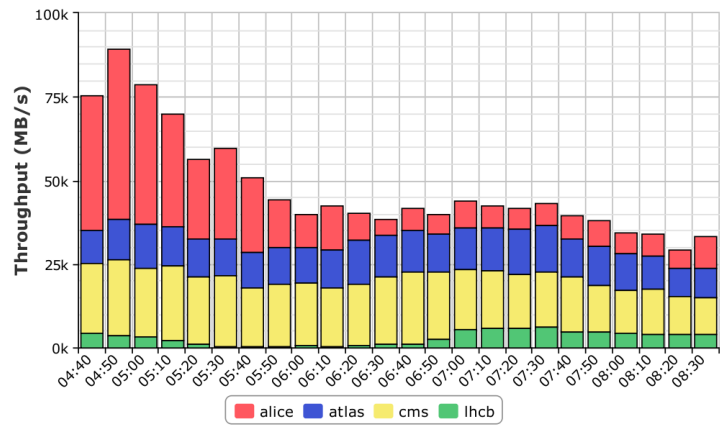


Data - transfer

| TOTAL | Australia | Belgium | Canada | China | France | Germany | India | Italy | Japan | USA | UK | Ukraine |
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| 777.1k | 1.5k | 22.5k | 80.5k | 1.1k | 2.1k | 27.1k | 277.0k | 322.0k | 4.5k | 288.0k | 1.1k | 11.5k |
| 257800 | 31 | 426 | 275 | 2225 | 2 | 4900 | 325 | 134 | 82173 | 30644 | 3 | 11279 |
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| 34.0k | 0.5k | 0.5k | | | | | 52.0k | 1.1k | | 32.0k | | 82.0k |
| 90.5k | | 3.0k | 3.0k | | 35.0k | 3.0k | | | | 6.0k | | 52.0k |
| 429 | | 30 | 30 | | 147 | 20 | | | | 35 | | 45 |
| 2.1k | | | 1.1k | | 40.0k | 1.1k | | | | 60.0k | | 40.0k |
| 50679 | | | 6568 | | 1462 | | | | | 15 | | 242 |
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| 30.5k | | | 2.0k | | 800.0k | 2 | | | | 3.0k | | 32.0k |
| 114 | | | 10 | | 2 | | | | | 2 | | 40 |
| 6.5k | | | 1.0k | | | | | | | 1.1k | | 25.0k |
| 2 | | | 2 | | | | | | | 3 | | 30 |
| 4.7k | 230.0k | 3.0k | 1.1k | 2.1k | 13.0k | 804.0k | 1.1k | 72.0k | 37.0k | 24.0k | 205.0k | 2.0k |
| 64388 | 33 | 277 | 20 | 20 | 2000 | 438 | 3 | 681 | 7 | 80 | 1000 | 157 |
| 1.4k | 0.5k | 0.5k | 13.0k | 12.0k | 13.0k | 5.0k | 1.1k | 5.0k | 3.0k | 2.0k | 1.1k | 1.1k |
| 109252 | 5 | 29 | 404 | 32 | 340 | 99127 | 41 | 25.0k | 75.0k | 30 | 839.0k | 2.0k |
| 797.0k | | | 488.0k | 232.0k | 307.0k | 2048 | | 8.0k | 8.0k | 3.0k | 202.0k | 8.0k |
| 3429 | | | 48 | 793 | 2248 | | | 2 | 17 | 2 | 15 | 2 |
| 20.5k | | | | | | | | 20.5k | | | | 14.0k |
| 33 | | | | | | | | 3 | | | | 6 |
| 29.1k | | 3.0k | 86.0k | 2.0k | 325.0k | 28.0k | 20.1k | 2.0k | 605.0k | 30.0k | 0.5k | 87.0k |
| 26311 | | 31 | 34 | 34 | 3000 | 1874 | 2440 | 32 | 3098 | 15 | 1 | 214 |
| 7970k | | | 112k | 80k | 80k | 40k | 40k | 13 | 13 | 11 | 10k | 11 |
| 12955 | | | 42 | 273 | 2 | | | | | | 11 | 10k |
| 26.0k | | | 17.0k | 42.0k | | | | | | | 0.5k | 25.0k |
| 242 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 148 |
| 638.0k | 35.0k | 32.0k | | | 64.0k | 80.0k | 29.0k | 0.5k | 0.5k | 7.0k | 0.5k | 304.0k |
| 3837 | 64 | 20 | | | 124 | 124 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 124 |
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| 448 | | | | | 130 | 8 | | | | | | 13.0k |
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| 76.0k | | | | | 747.0k | 90.0k | | | | | | 7.0k |
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| 6045 | | | 34 | | 34 | 200 | | | | | | 793 |
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| 980.0k | | | | | 81.0k | 137.0k | | | | 80.0k | 848.0k | 137.0k |
| 5811 | | | | | 270 | 1217 | | | | 144 | 203 | 1884 |
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| 877.0k | | | | | 148.0k | 77.0k | | | | 0.5k | | 14.0k |
| 7953 | | | | | 204 | 688 | | | | 6916 | | 84 |
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| 299 | | | | | | | | | | | | 299 |
| 207.0k | 0.5k | 91.0k | 3.0k | 843.0k | 7.2k | 834.0k | 823.0k | 1.1k | 800.0k | 827.0k | 2.0k | 800.0k |
| 338253 | 2 | 63 | 51 | 6 | 25 | 10981 | 72753 | 973 | 31087 | 3125 | 1540 | 358 |
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| 906.0k | 9.0k | 53 | 12.0k | | 17.0k | 640.0k | 909.0k | 43.0k | 3.0k | 72.0k | 89.0k | 0.5k |
| 30977 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 1130 | 51 | 1130 | 15 | 15 | 43 | 121 | 30900 |
| 1.1k | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.1k |
| 66.1k | 81.0k | 23.0k | 893.0k | 8.0k | 124.0k | 162.0k | 11.0k | 8.0k | 0.5k | 20.0k | 21.0k | 8.0k |
| 62740 | 381 | 136 | 8513 | 1 | 125 | 44 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 441 | 441 | 125 |
| 147.0k | | | | | 53.0k | 38.0k | | | | 4.0k | 21.0k | 28.0k |
| 328 | | | | | 5 | 4 | | | | 4 | 3 | 5 |
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Transfer Throughput
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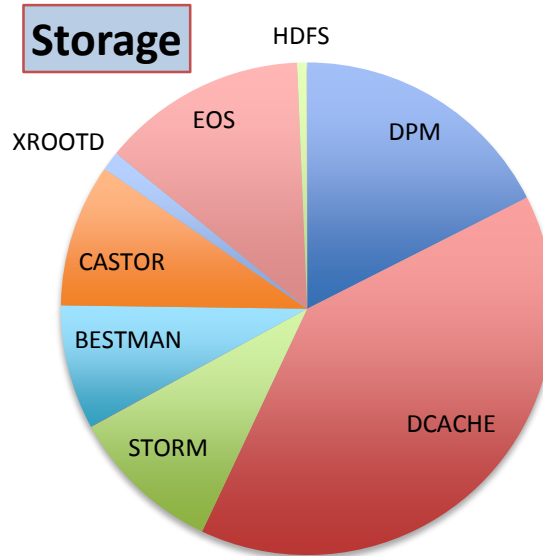
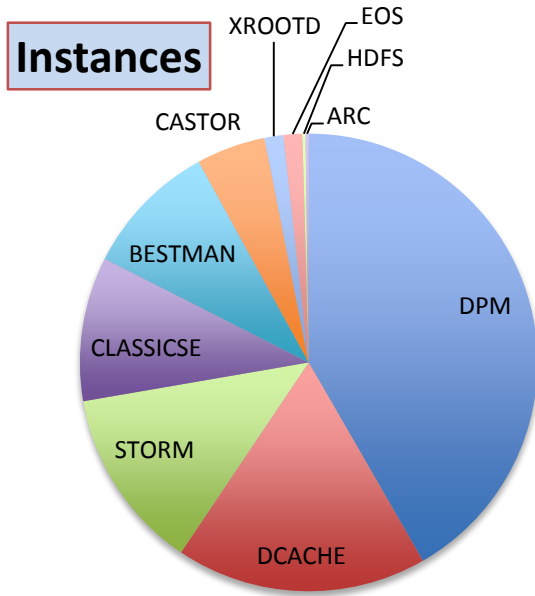


Most LHC transfers are managed by the File Transfer Service (FTS)

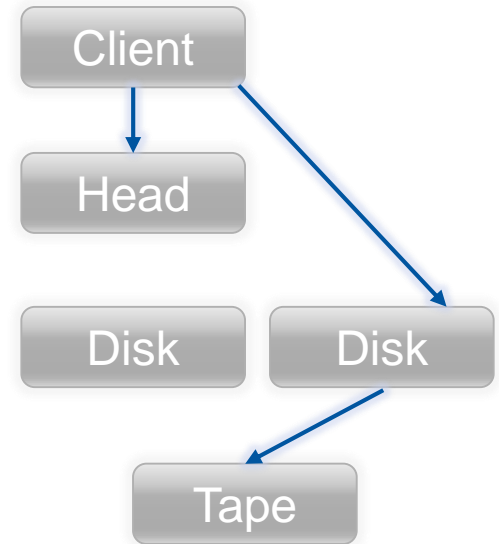
Try it at <https://webfts.cern.ch>



Data – storage systems

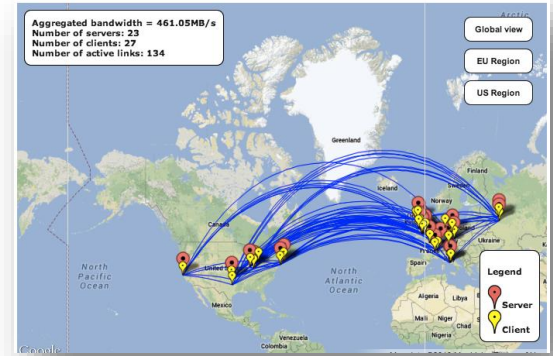
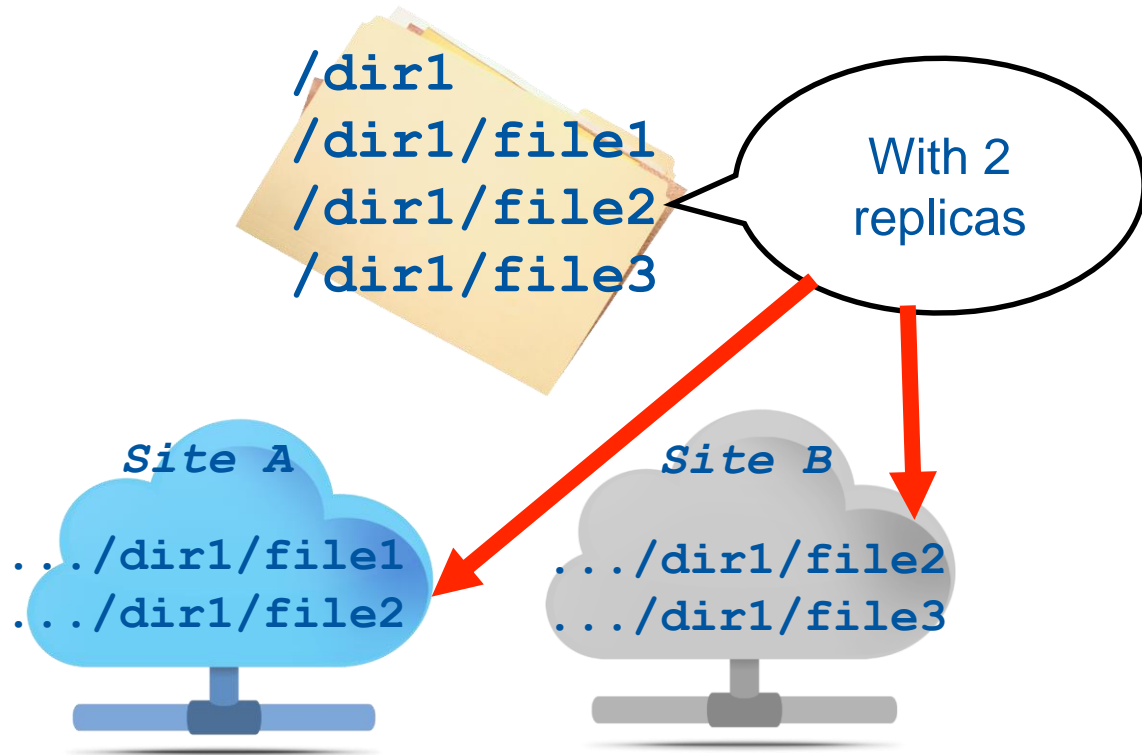


Basic Architecture



Systems are evolving towards standards. All now offer HTTPS access.

Global Data Federation



In use by

- Atlas (FAX)
- CMS (AAA)
- Main uses
 - Failover
 - Overflow
 - Diskless sites

Data – what is it?

- ROOT files
- Typically a few GB each
- Column-like structured storage
- Lots of I/O optimisation
- WAN access

```
Open https://server/data.root  
While (next event) {  
    do stuff;  
}
```

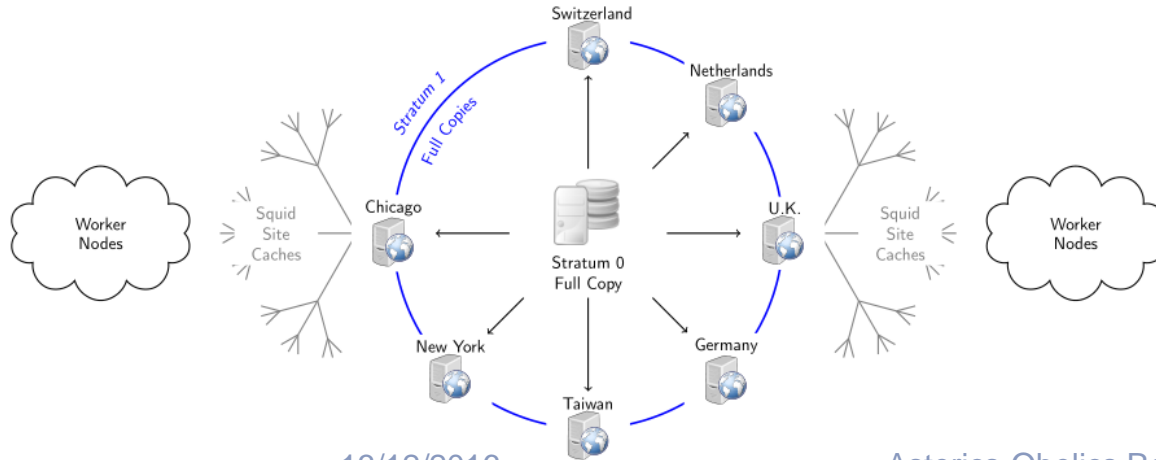


Software distribution

- CVMFS
- r/o cached fs
- >350M files

```
[lxplus109] ls /cvmfs  
alice.cern.ch  
alice-ocdb.cern.ch  
ams.cern.ch  
atlas.cern.ch  
atlas-condb.cern.ch  
atlas-nightlies.cern.ch  
[lxplus109] █
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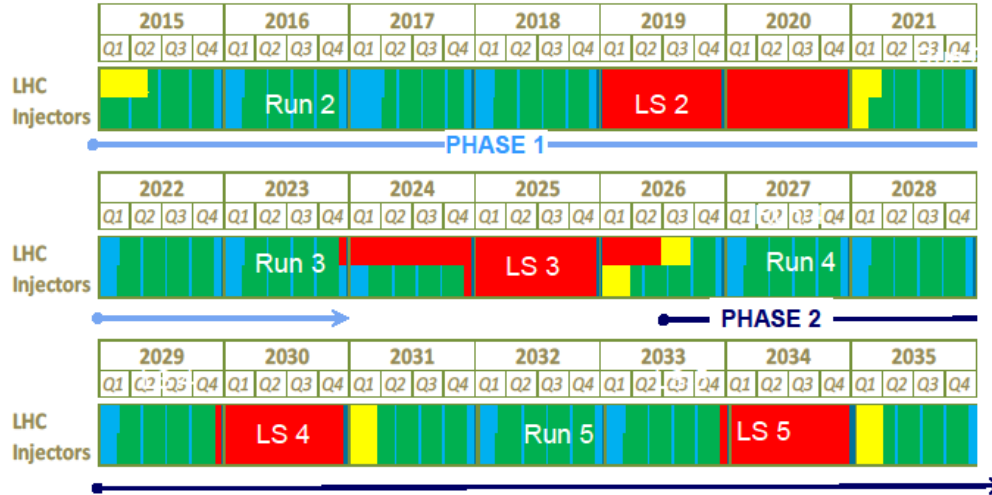
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cms-ib.cern.ch  
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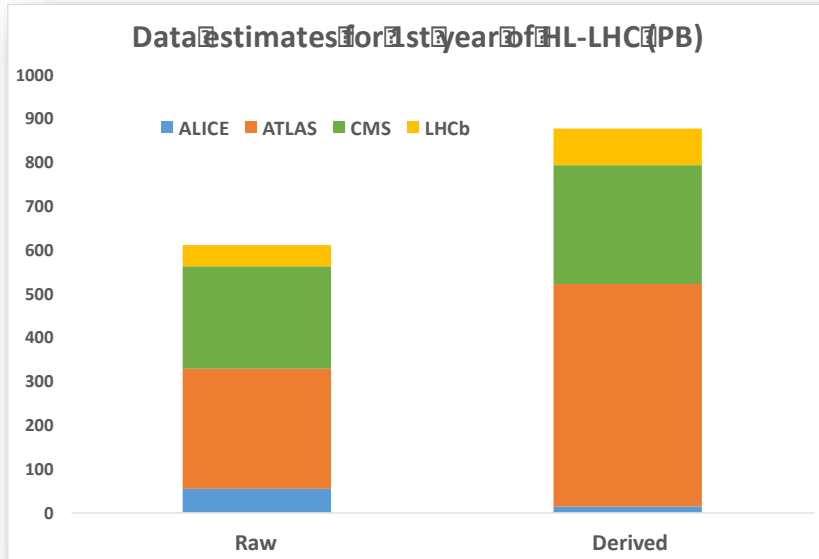
The road ahead

LHC roadmap: according to MTP 2016-2020 V1

LS2 starting in 2019 => 24 months + 3 months BC
 LS3 LHC: starting in 2024 => 30 months + 3 months BC
 Injectors: in 2025 => 13 months + 3 months BC

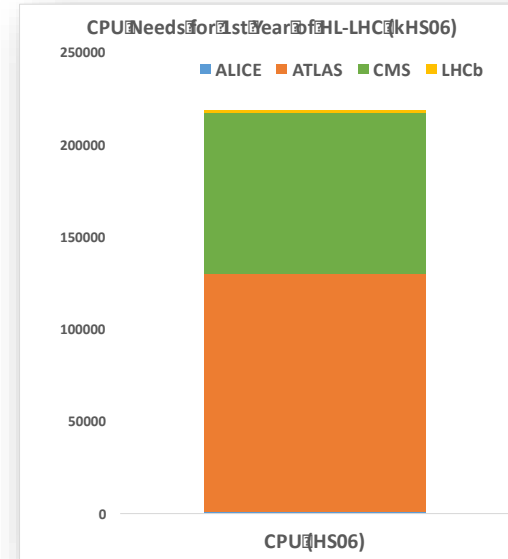


High-Lumi LHC resource estimates



Data:

- X10 from 2016
 - Raw 2016: 50 PB → 2027: 600 PB
 - Derived (1 copy): 2016: 80 PB → 2027: 900 PB



CPU:

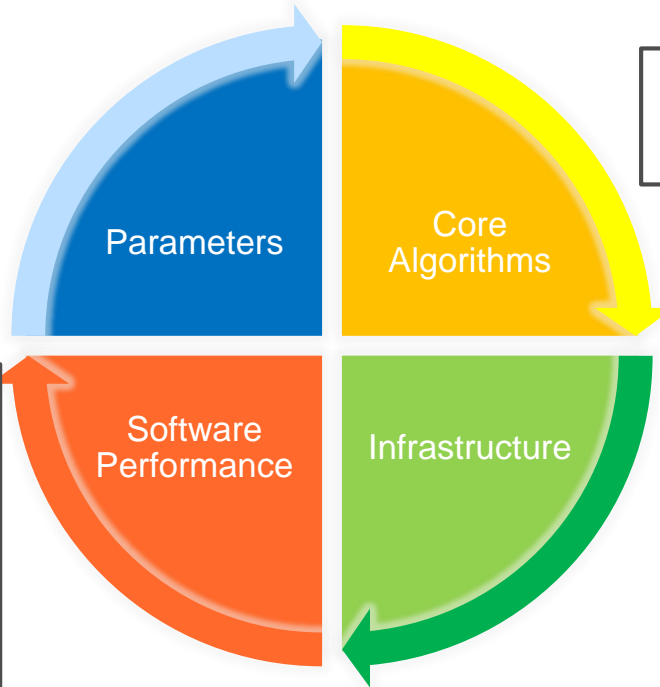
- x60 from 2016

Technology at ~20%/year will bring x6-10 in 10-11 years

HL-LHC Solutions

- Raw data
- Triggers
- Detector design
- ...

- Performance/architectures/memory
- Tools
- Concurrency
- Vectorisation
- Collaboration with externals – via HSF
- ...



- Reconstruction and simulation algorithms

- New grid/cloud models
- Optimise CPU/disk/network
- Economies of scale via clouds, joint procurements etc.
- Opportunistic resources
- Pre-emptible jobs
- Storage consolidation
 - WAN access
- Data strategies
- Caching solutions
- ...

Summary

- WLCG is the production offline computing platform for the 4 LHC experiments
- Can process multiple PB / month
- In 2025 we will have a new accelerator with new experiments
 - Order of magnitude more load at fixed cost
 - Technology sharing = sustainability & reduced costs

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Supplementary Slides

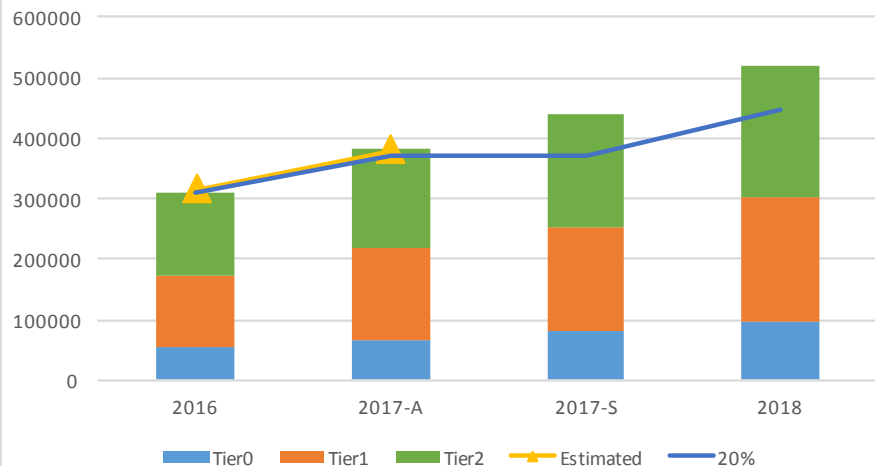


Data Management Directions

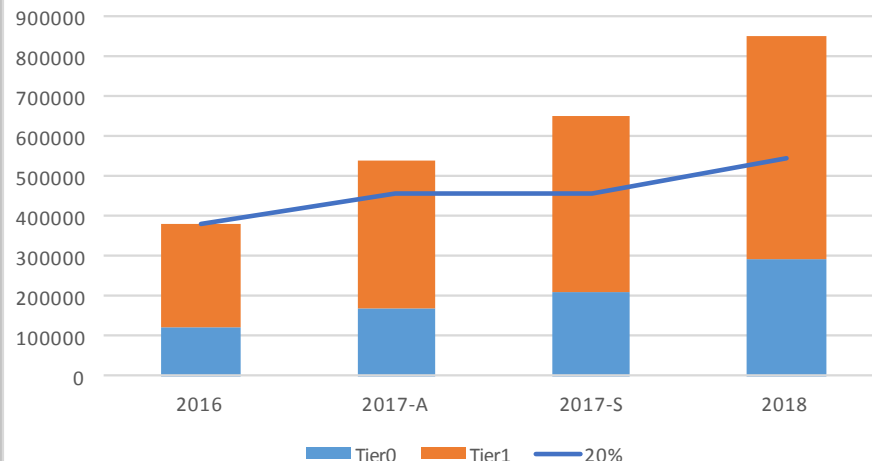
- Reduce cost/volume
 - cost of storage management
 - integrating standard (non HEP) solutions e.g. ceph
 - protocol zoo, SRM-less operation
 - T2 storage as cache
 - multi-site storage
 - regional federations
 - cloud storage
 - system manageability
 - storage overheads
 - redundancy
 - replication, erasure, RAID levels etc
 - reduce system reliability requirements?
 - reduce cost/impact of data loss
 - component technology
 - shingled disks
 - consumer/enterprise disks
- Reduce volume used
 - reduced number of global replicas
 - remote access
 - latency hiding
 - applications, overcommitting
 - global federations
 - CPU-only resources (inc cloud)
 - data formats and lifecycle, intermediate products
 - resource reporting
 - monitoring usage
 - eliminating dark data
 - data "enrichment"
 - popularity
 - caching, avoiding unused data
 - promoting locality in workflows
 - trading disk for...
 - tape
 - data parking
 - CPU
 - maintain metadata enabling regeneration of data on demand

LHC: “outstanding performance”

Disk



Tape



Estimated: Estimates made in 2014 for Run 2 up to 2017

20%: Growth of 20%/yr starting in 2016 (“flat budget”)