GridKa LK-II



Status Report

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GridKa

Data and analysis center for particle and astroparticle physics









~10,000 physicists worldwide ~ 1,300 from Germany



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...?)

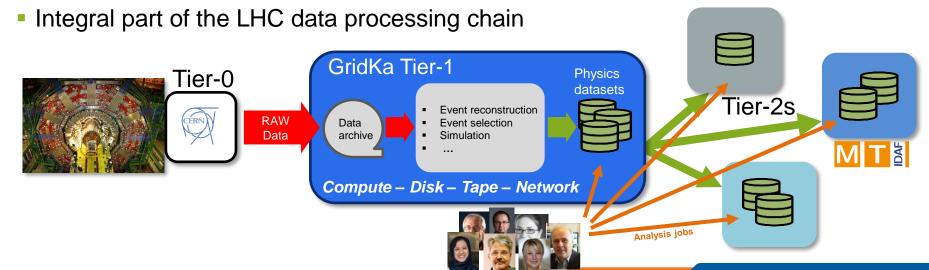
Historic Milestone but only the beginning

Global Implications for the future

Global Effort → Global Success



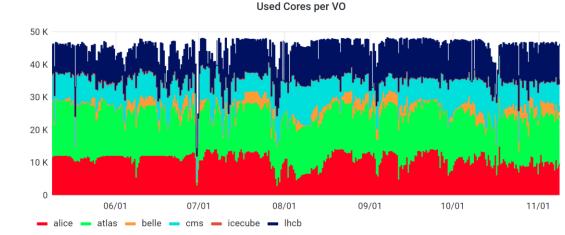
Tier-1 center: cornerstone of the Worldwide LHC computing Grid

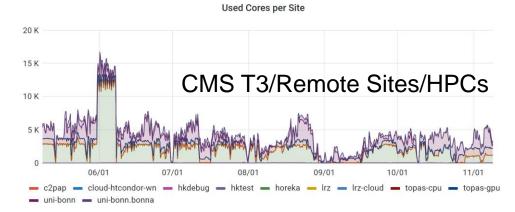


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Batch System

- Smooth operations of ~50 k logical cores
 - 31.3 M jobs & 325 M core-hours in last 12 months
- Several rolling reboots for security patches
- 56 GPUs (NVIDIA V100) available
- Additional (opportunistic) resources managed through COBaID/TARDIS @ GridKa





New Worker Nodes

- 196 new nodes installed in 1st week of November
 - Dual AMD EPYC 7742
 - 570 GB RAM, 7 TB NVMe
- 50k logical cores
- 550+ kHS06
- Burn in running
- 900 WNs to be retired in 2022





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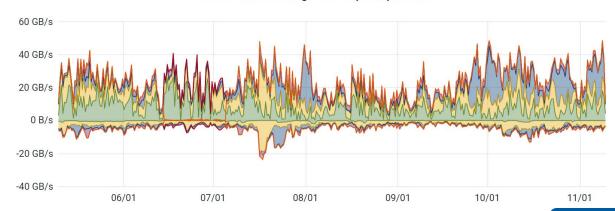
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Online Storage

- Smooth operations of 46.4 PB scalable online disk storage
 - 90+ GB/s bandwidth to CPUs
 - 80 PB data written, > 500 PB read in last 12 months

- Smooth operations of dCache and xrootd
 - Upgrade to dCache 6.2
 - Intensive preparation for tape challenge





Online Storage

- Call for tender successfully finished
 - 71 PB usable storage
 - 44 Seagate Enclosures (dual controllers & 106 18 TB disks)
- 22 storage & 48 protocol servers
- Final setup and deliveries still under discussion, but looking ok
- Replacement Spectrum Scale Metadata servers to be delivered in 2021
- 10 PB and 20 protocol servers retired, data migrated



Reliable Offline Storage

- Smooth operations (67.7 PB occupied)
- Migration to HPSS
 - 23 PB finished for CMS and Belle-II
 - Preparation for LHCb (5.7 PB),
 ALICE (10 PB) and ATLAS (27 PB)

- Preparation for Tape Challenge
 - dCache pools increased, switched to latest storage agent HW
 - Extra tape classes according to experiment requirements



Spectra TFinity Tape Library KIT Campus South

Tape Challenge for Run 3

- Targets reached and surpassed for all VOs
 - LHCb delayed by broken 40 G transceiver
 - ALICE should not have been part of the challenge @KIT



- But: dCache config prevented optimal drive utilization (migration to tape)
- > understood and fixed
- Tape buffers will need to grow!



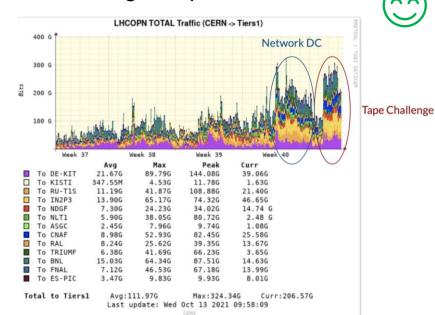


Status & Challenge

- Smooth operations of 400 Gb/s WAN connection
 - 2*100 Gb/s to CERN/LHCOPN
 - 2*100 Gb/s to Internet/X.WIN/LHCONE
 - no changes in 2022/2023
- LAN upgrade to 400 Gb/s in 2022/2023
 - New backbone routers with X*400Gb/s interconnect
 - upgrade storage switches to 2*400 Gb/s uplinks

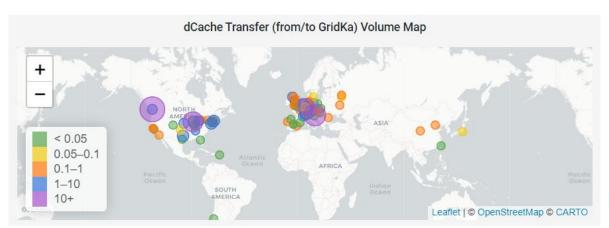
Network challenge

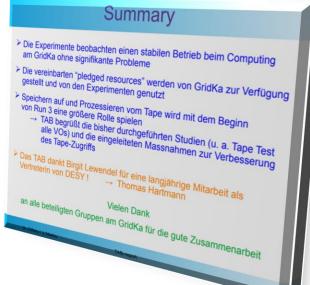
■ T0→T1 highest peak rate for KIT



Monitoring

http://s.kit.edu/gridka-monitoring





NO operational restrictions due to Corona, some challenges during delivery and commissioning of new HW

Chip/Material Crisis:
We were lucky until now!
But expect situation to get worse
before it gets better!

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