

LCG - The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid

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LCG Service Hierarchy

Tier-0 – the accelerator centre

- Data acquisition & initial processing
- Long-term data curation
- Distribution of data → Tier-1 centres



Tier-1 – “online” to the data acquisition process → high availability

- Managed Mass Storage – → grid-enabled data service
- Data-heavy analysis
- National, regional support

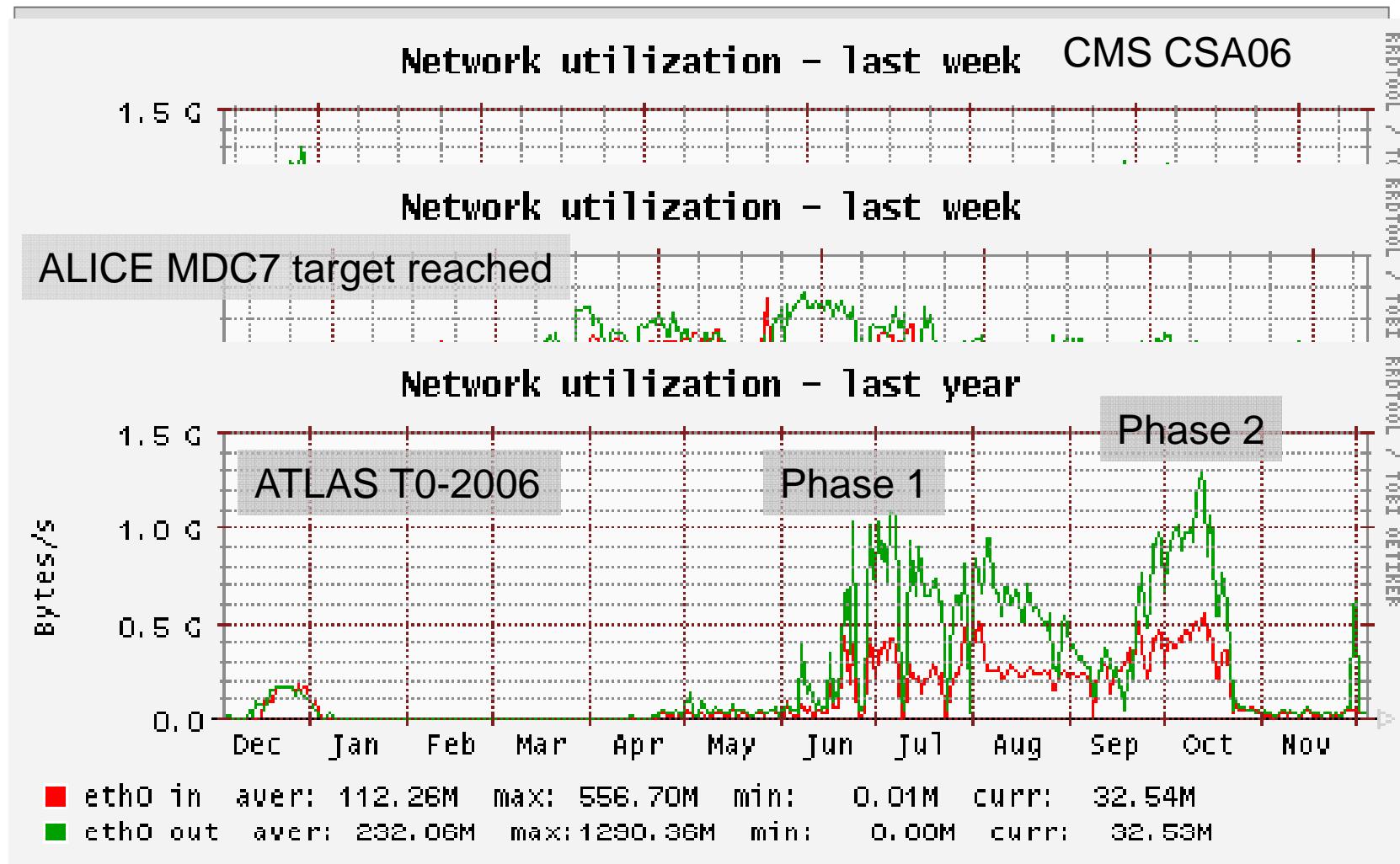
Tier-2 – ~100 centres in ~40 countries

- Simulation
- End-user analysis – batch and interactive

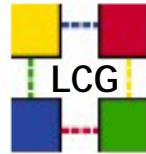




CERN Tier-0 Progress



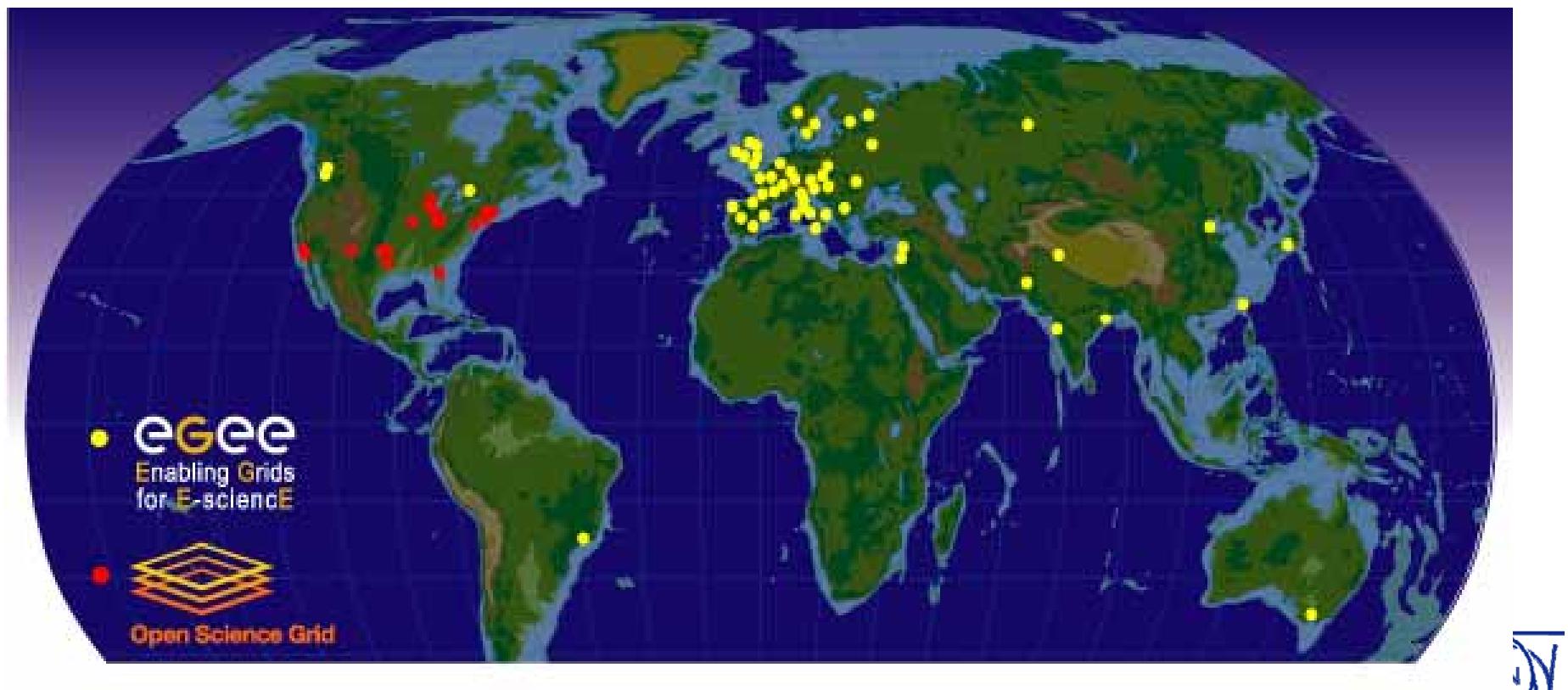
Peak transfer of incoming data to tape at over 2GB/s



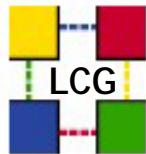
LCG depends on two major science grid infrastructures

EGEE
OSG

- Enabling Grids for E-Science
- US Open Science Grid

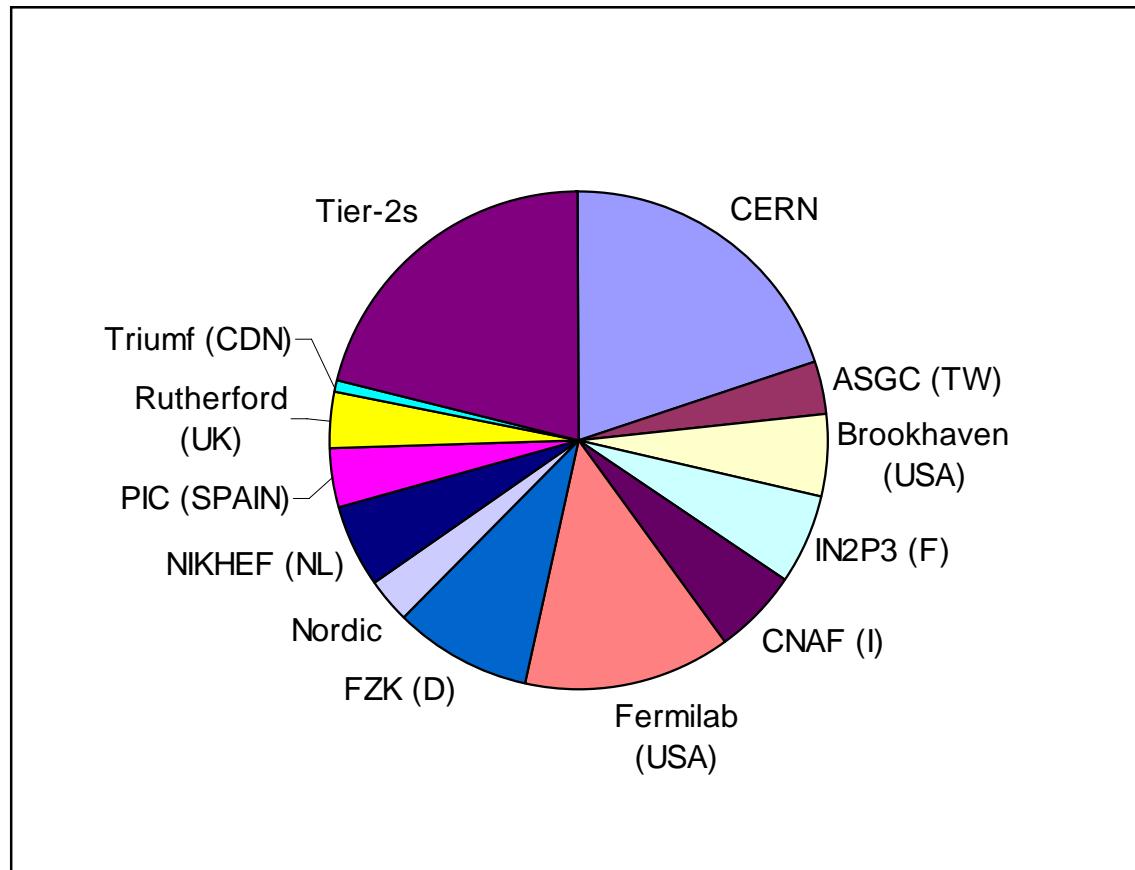


A map of the worldwide LCG infrastructure operated by EGEE and OSG.



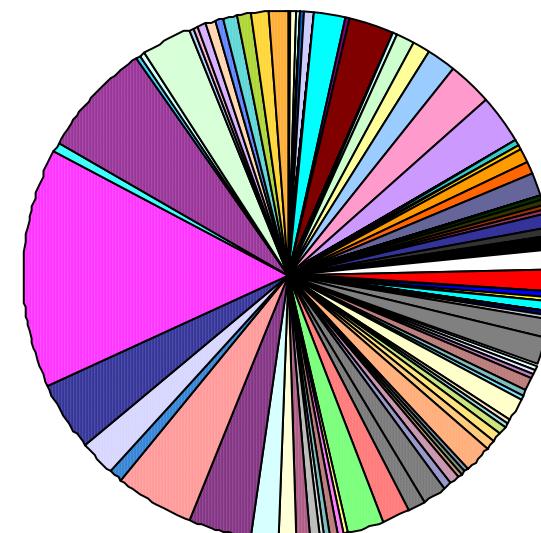
CPU Usage - LHC Experiments

March 2007



CERN 20%
11 Tier-1s 60%
140 Tier-2s 20%

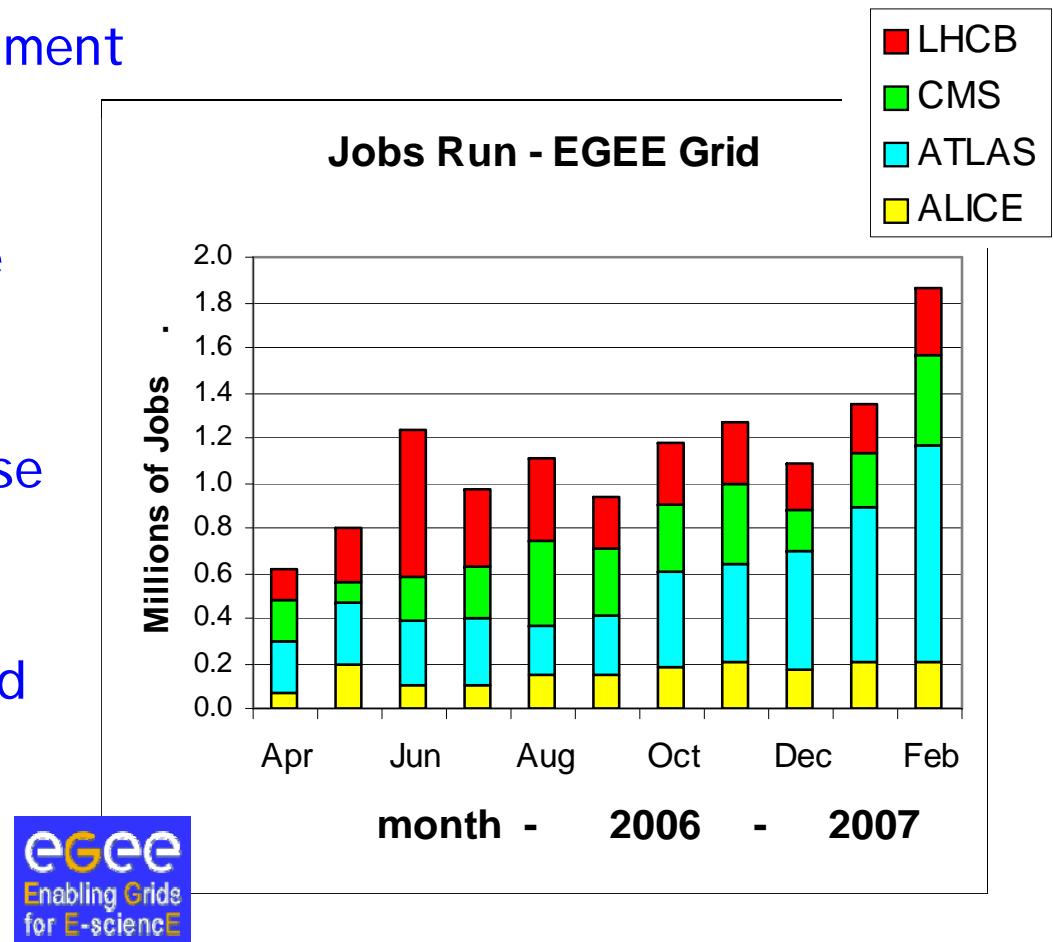
Tier-2 Sites Contributing in
March 2007

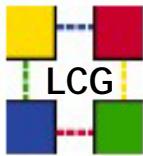




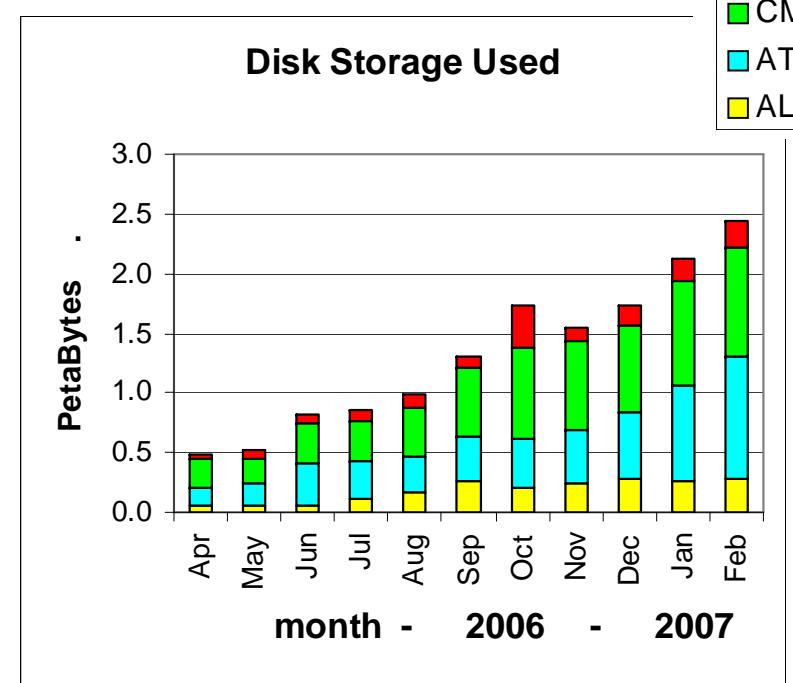
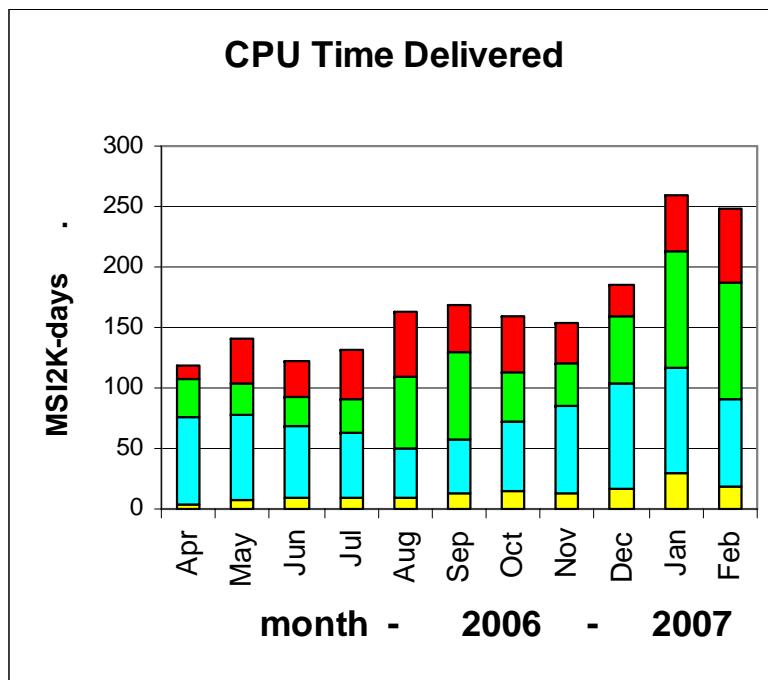
Grid Activity

- Steady increase in usage of the EGEE and OSG grids
- Example shows LHC experiment jobs run on the EGEE grid
- 3 x increase in past twelve months
- Need a further 5 x increase by mid-2008
- Similar growth on OSG grid





Grid Activity



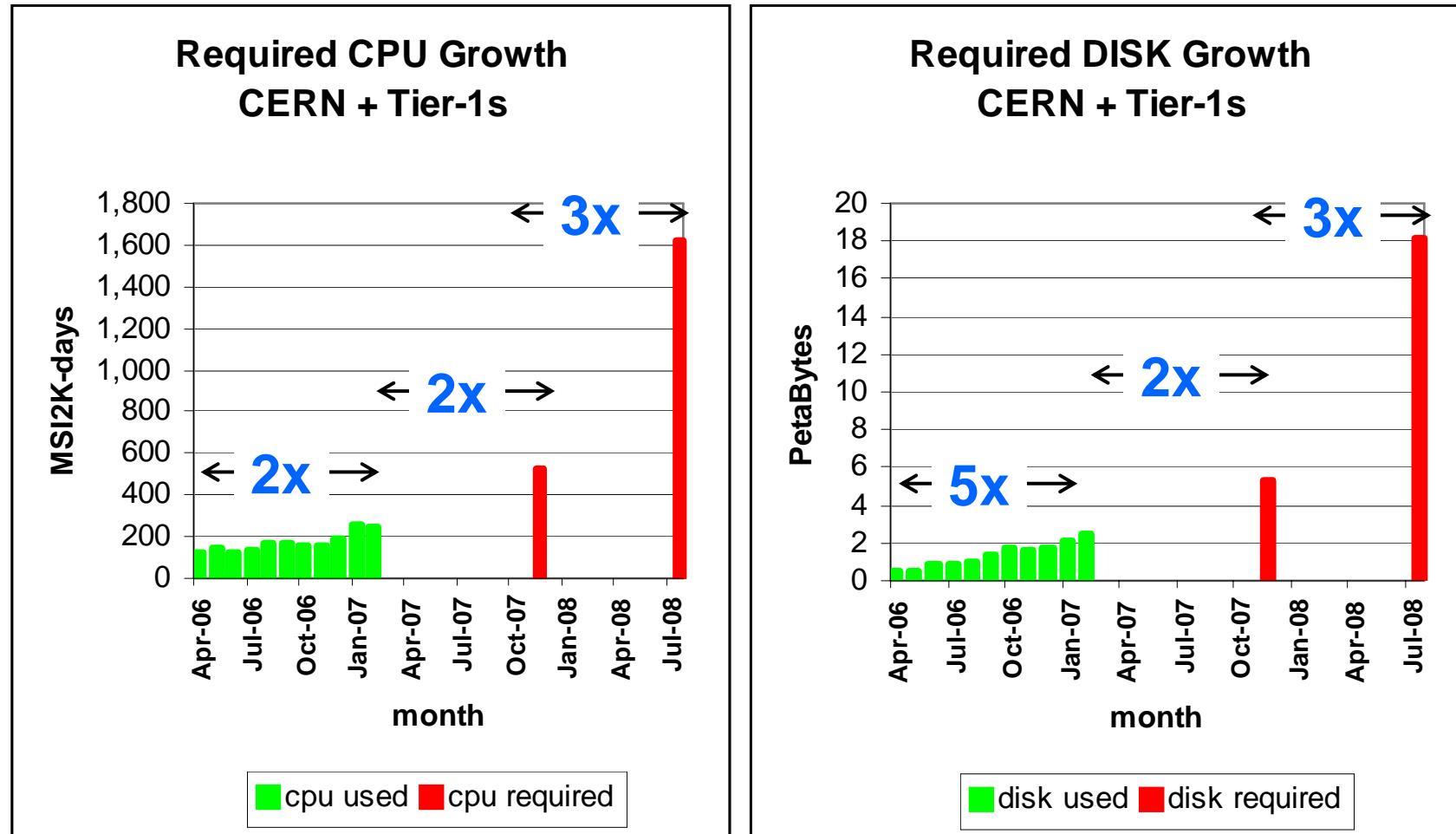
Tier-1s and CERN

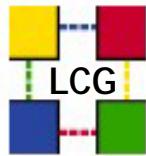
- CPU usage increased by factor of 2 over past year
- Disk usage by a factor of 4.9



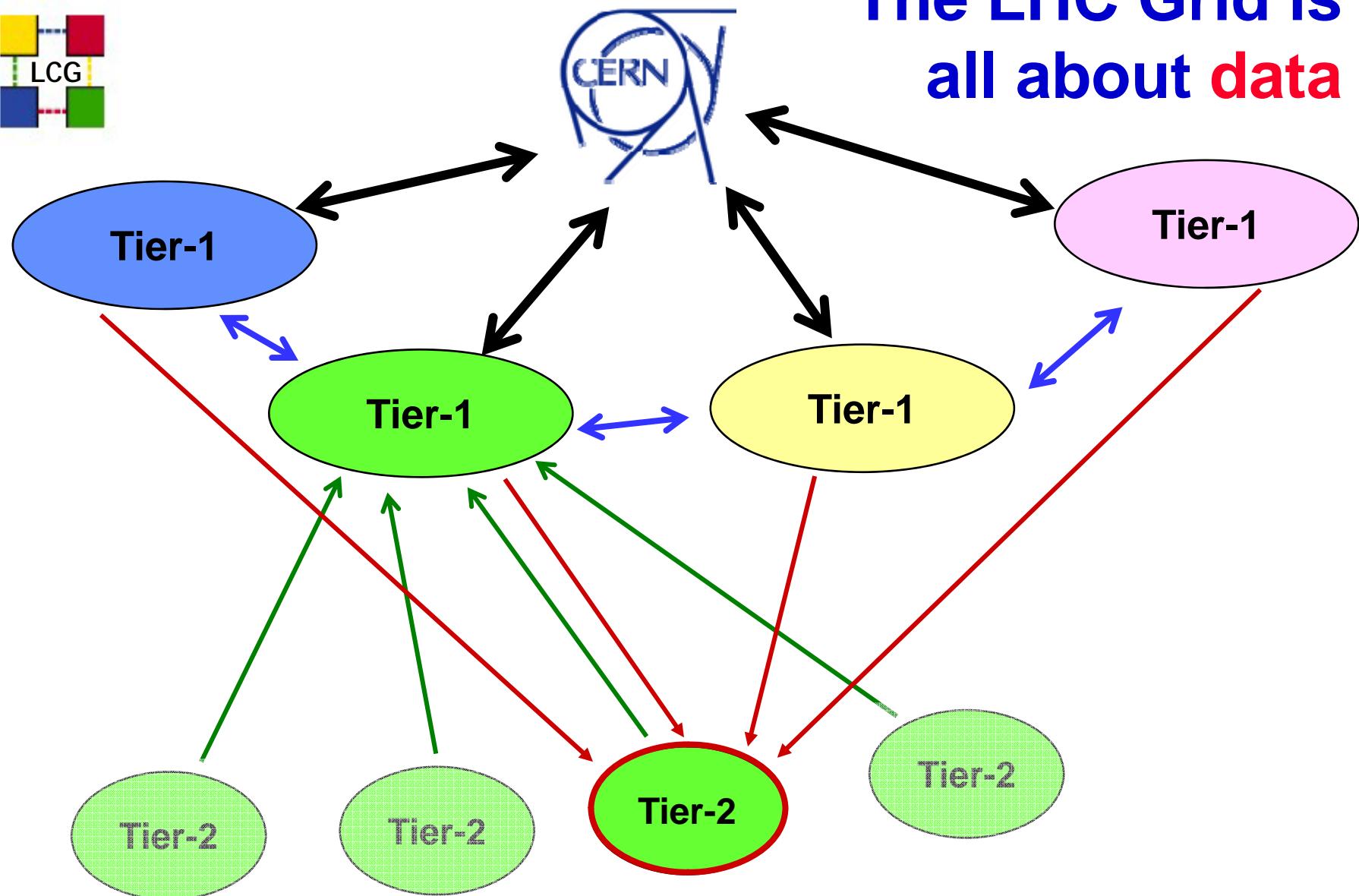


Growth to 2008

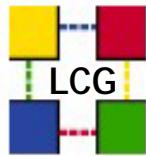




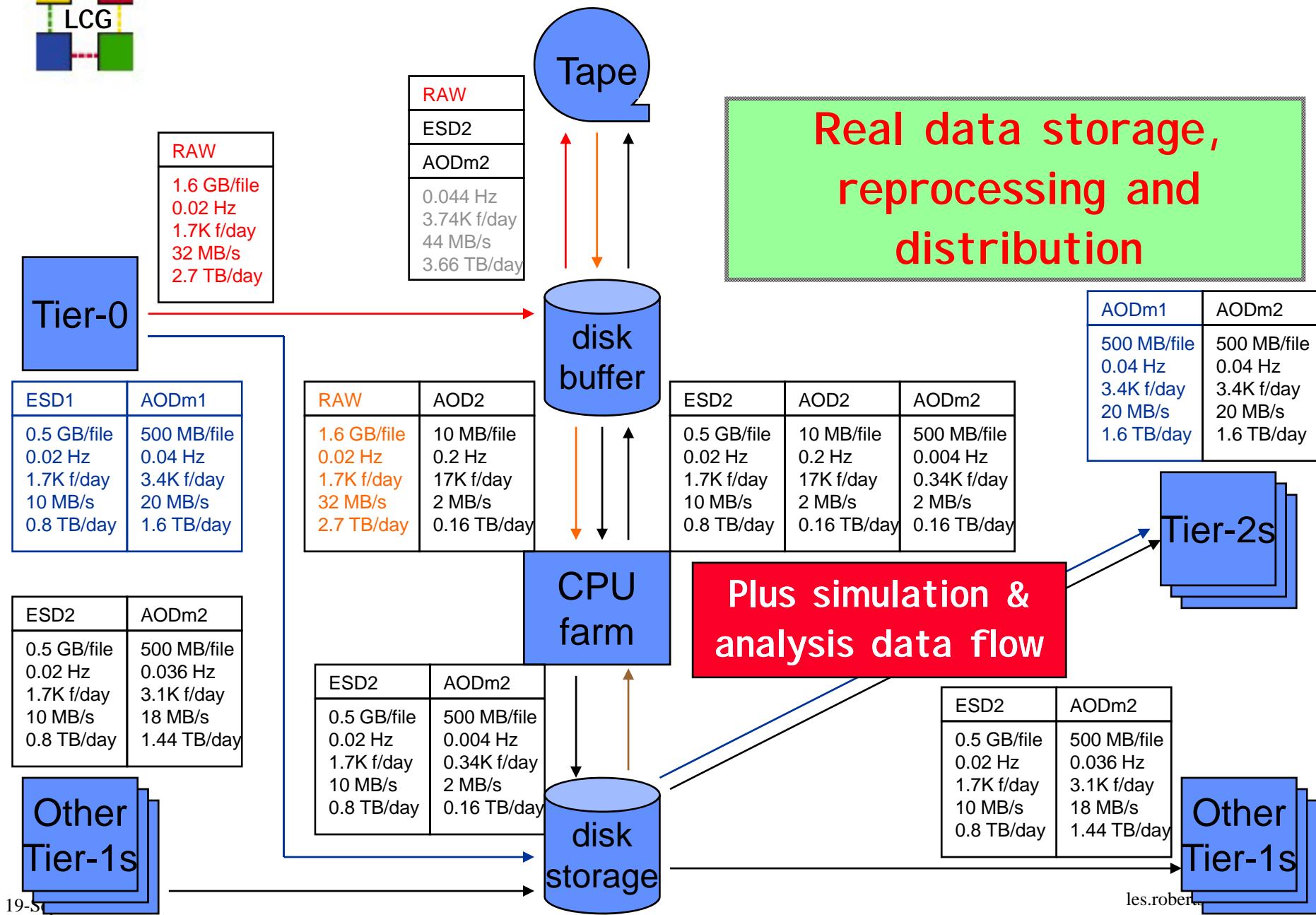
The LHC Grid is all about data



Experiment computing models define specific data flows between CERN, Tier-1s and Tier-2s



ATLAS "average" Tier-1 Data Flow (2008)

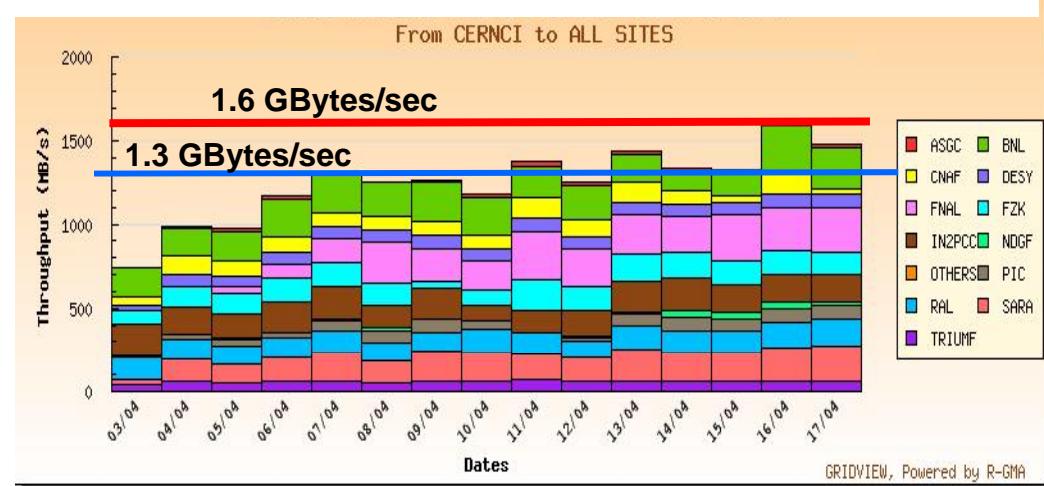




Data Distribution Tests 2006 - CERN → Tier-1s

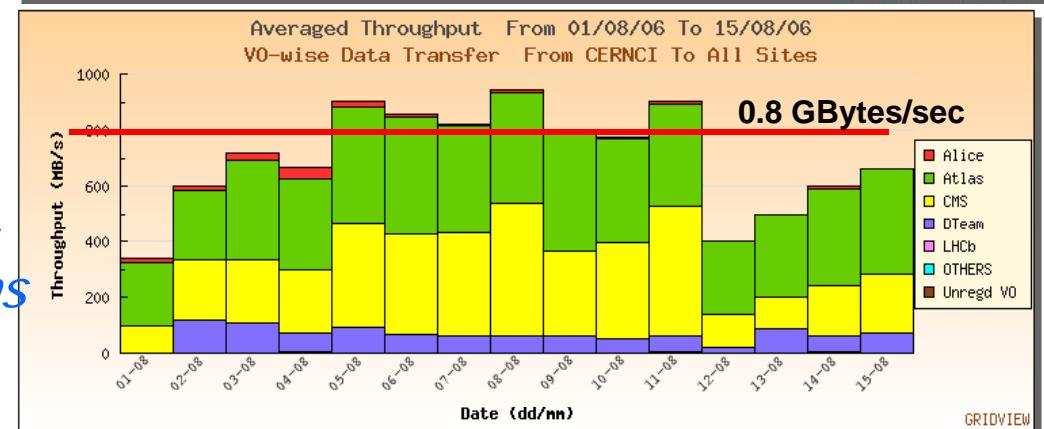
April 06 test period

- Sustained operation at the “nominal” rate when LHC is running - 1.3 GB/s
- Peak daily rate 1.6 GB/s



August

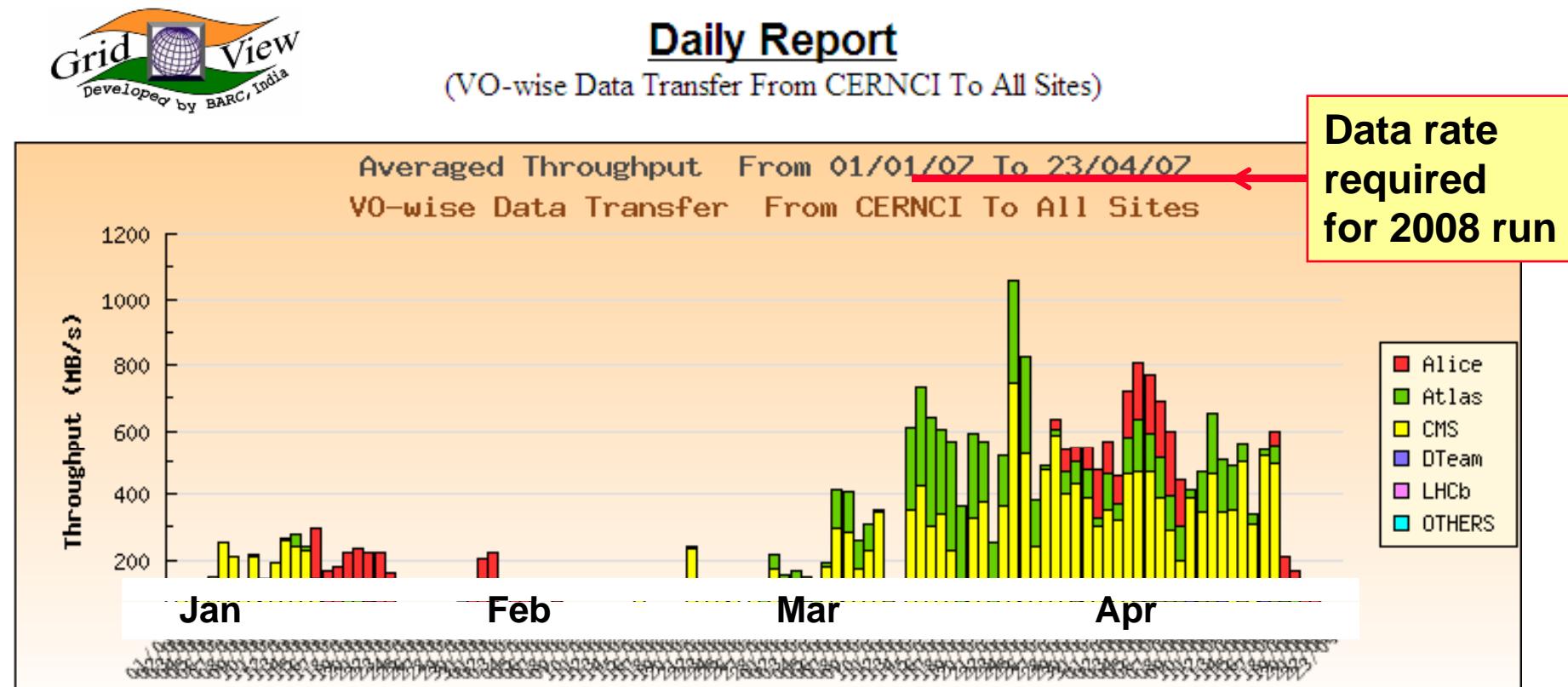
- experiment-driven transfers (ATLAS and CMS) sustained 60% of the SC4 target under *much more realistic conditions*



- CMS transferred a steady 1 PByte/month between Tier-1s & Tier-2s during a 90 day period
- ATLAS distributed 1.25 PBytes from CERN during a 6-week period



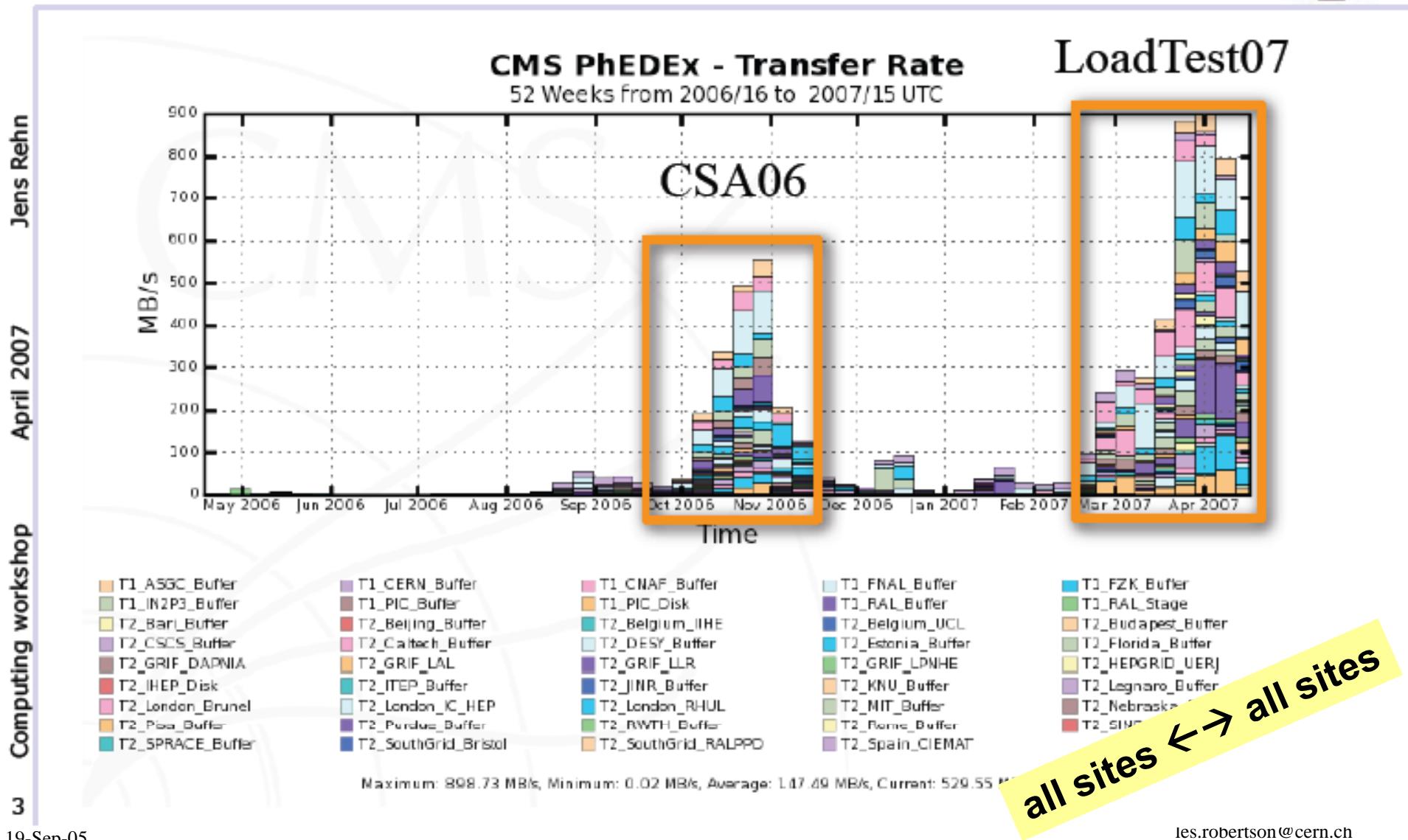
2007 - CERN → Tier-1 Data Distribution

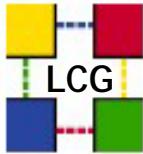




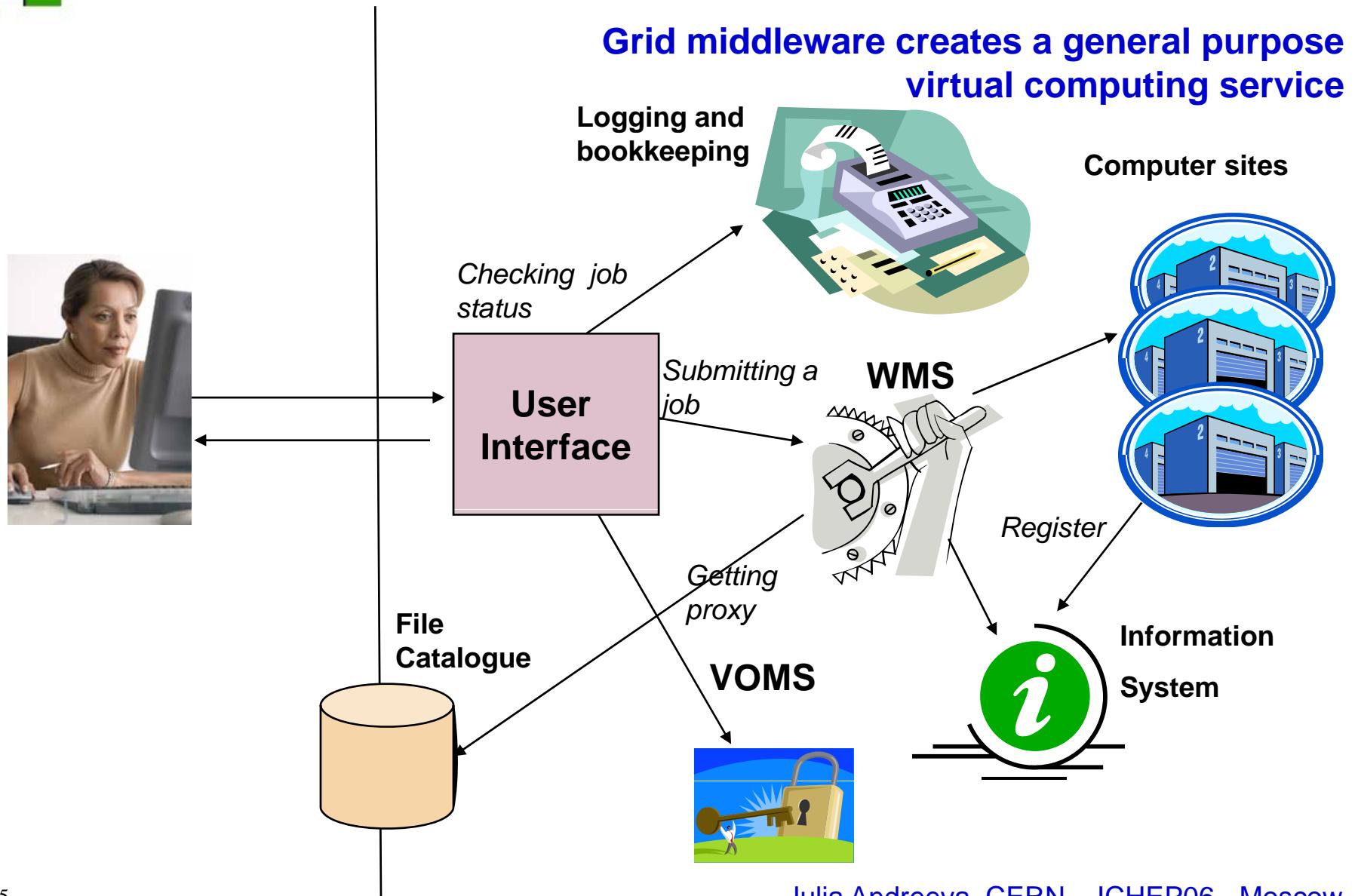
Data Transfers

Comparison with CSA06 – weekly





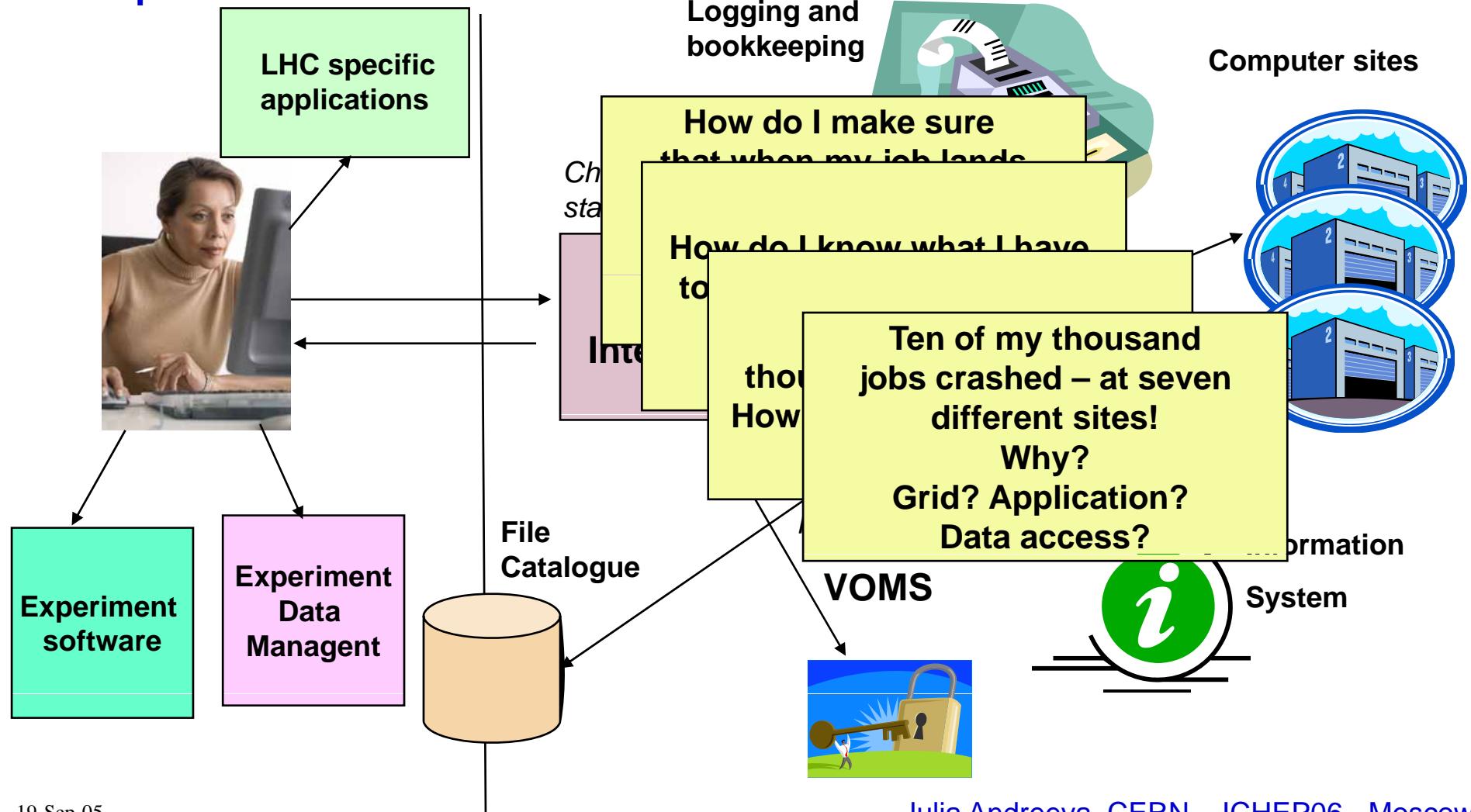
Data Analysis on the Grid

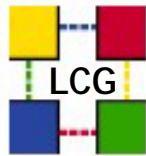




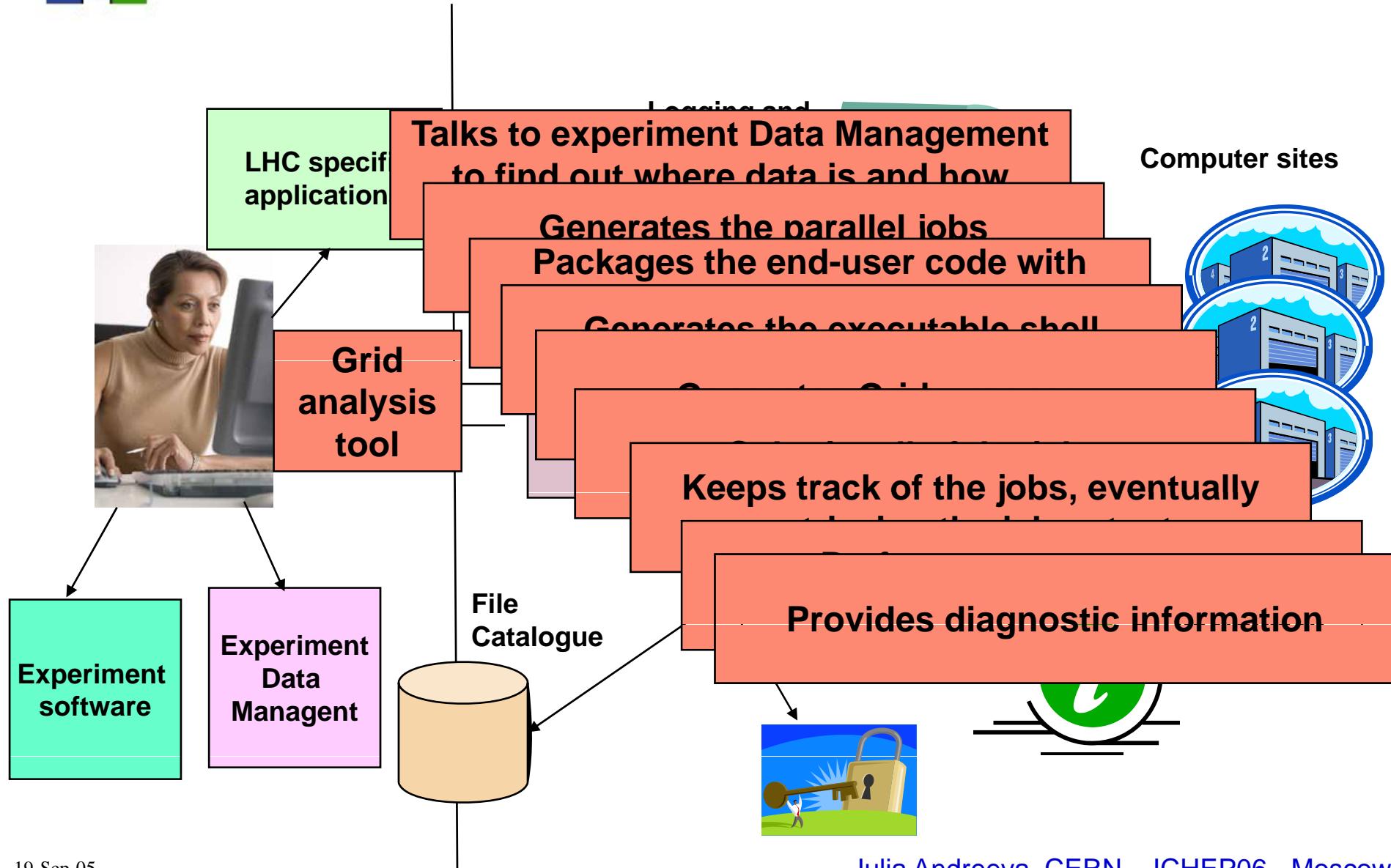
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But there is also a very complex VO specific environment





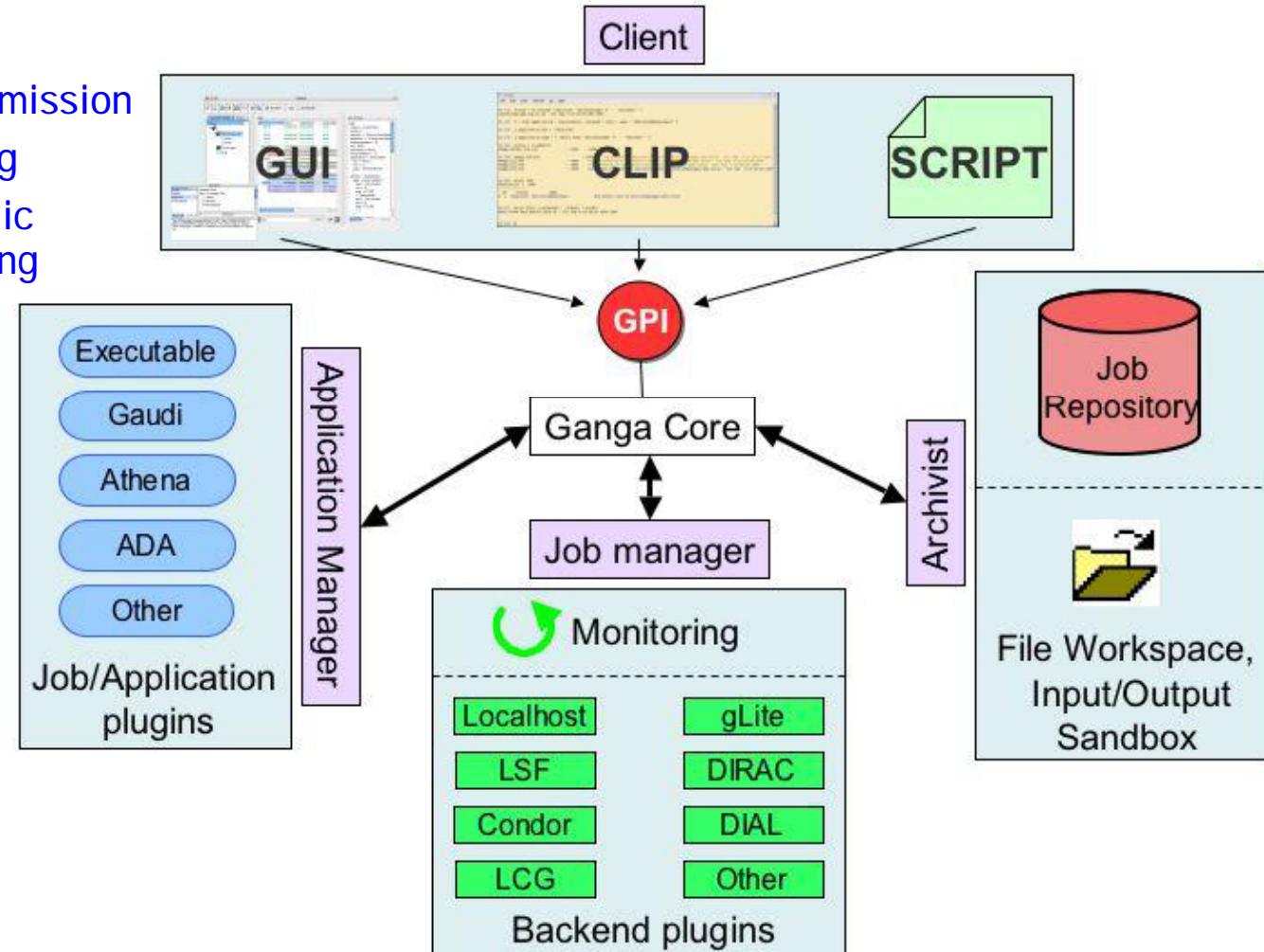
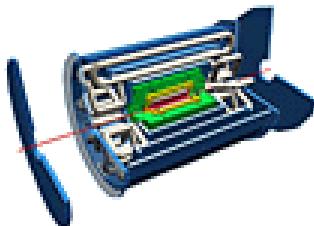
Each VO needs tools to hide the complexity of the distributed application environment

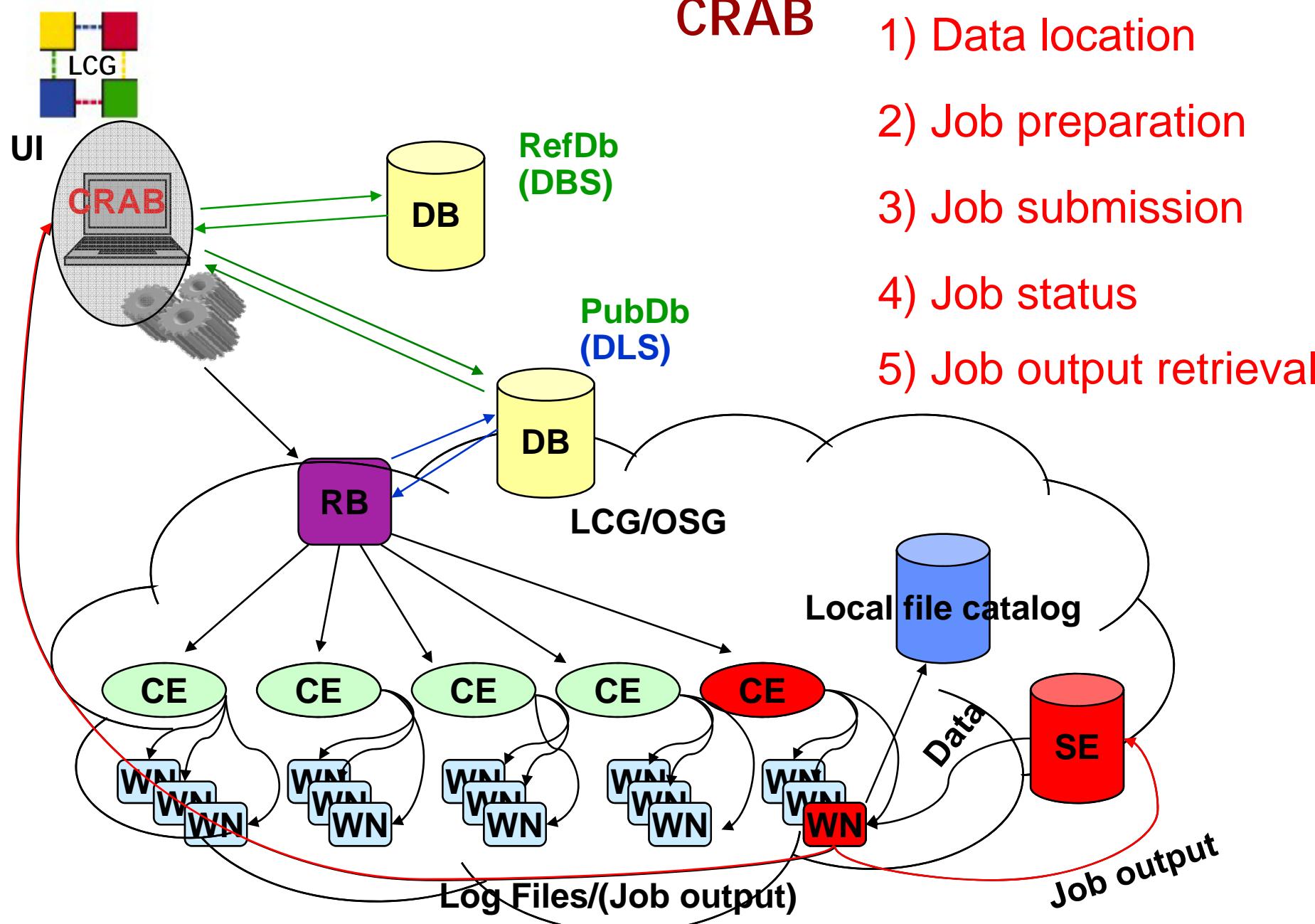




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- Job Submission
- Archiving
- Automatic monitoring



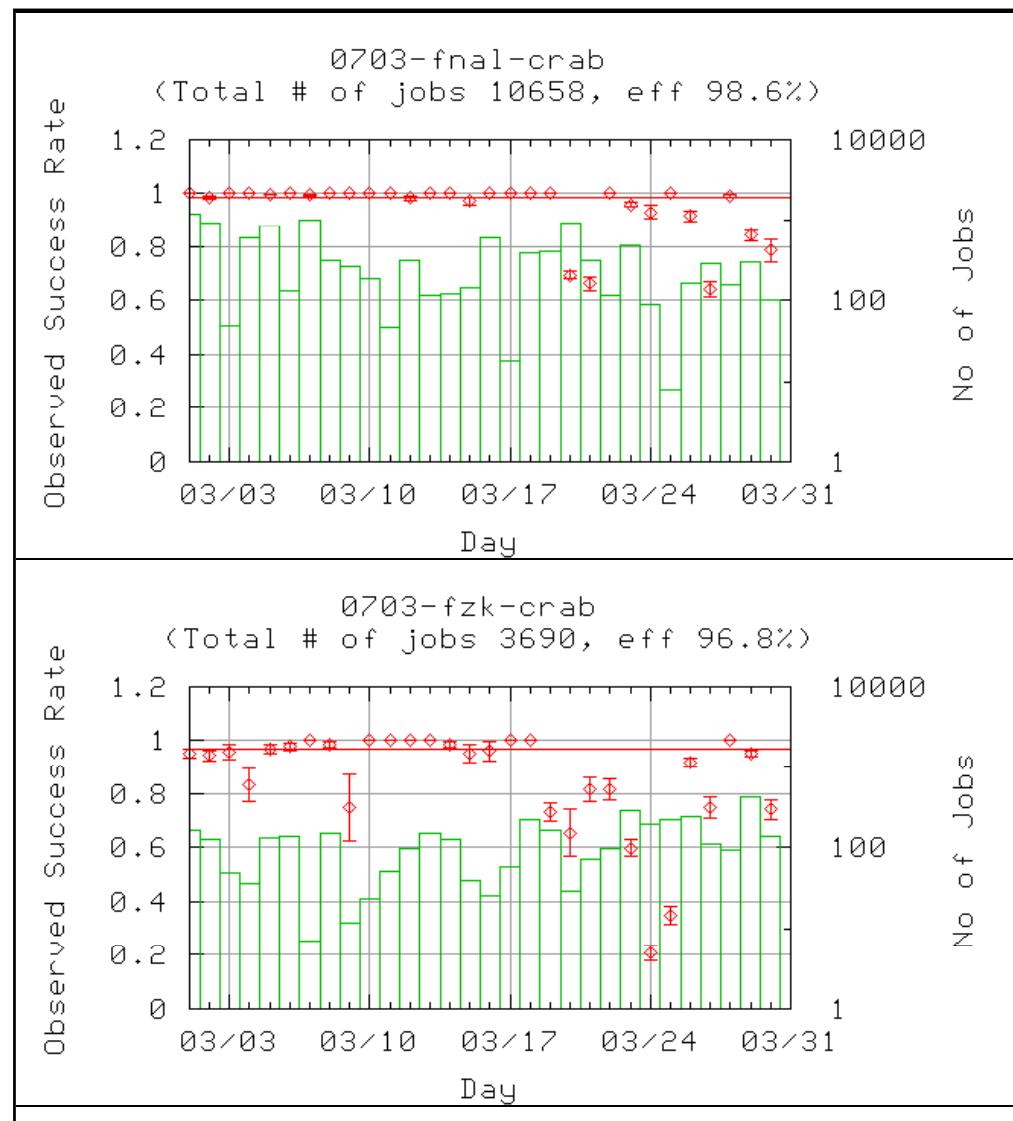




Analysis Job Success Rates

**CMS CRAB jobs
submitted through EGEE
Resource Brokers - March 2007**

**User view – after automatic job
re-submission by the Resource
Brokers**





The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid

- The LHC physics data analysis service distributed across the world
 - CERN, 11 large *Tier-1* centres,
over 100 active *Tier-2* centres
- Status at April 2007
 - Established the 10 Gigabit/sec optical network that interlinks CERN and the Tier-1 centres
 - Demonstrated data distribution from CERN to the Tier-1 centres at 1.3 GByte/sec – the rate that will be needed in 2008
 - ATLAS and CMS can each transfer 1 PetaByte of data per month between their computing centres
 - Running ~2 million jobs each month across the grid
 - The distributed grid operation, set up during 2005, has reached maturity, with responsibility shared across 7 sites in Europe, the US and Asia
 - End-user analysis tools enabling “real physicists” to profit from this worldwide data-intensive computing environment

