

openlab for DataGrid applications

Presentation of the Grid activities at CERN

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- 40 million collisions per second
- After filtering, 100 collisions of interest per second
- A Megabyte of data digitised for each collision = recording rate of 0.1 Gigabytes/sec
- 10¹⁰ collisions recorded each year
 10 Petabytes/year of data

1 Megabyte (1MB) A digital photo

1 Gigabyte (1GB) = 1000MB A DVD movie

1 Terabyte (1TB) = 1000GB World annual book production

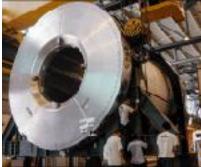
1 Petabyte (1PB) = 1000TB Annual production of one LHC experiment

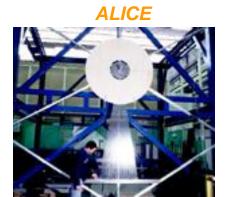
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LHC data correspond to about 20 million CDs each year

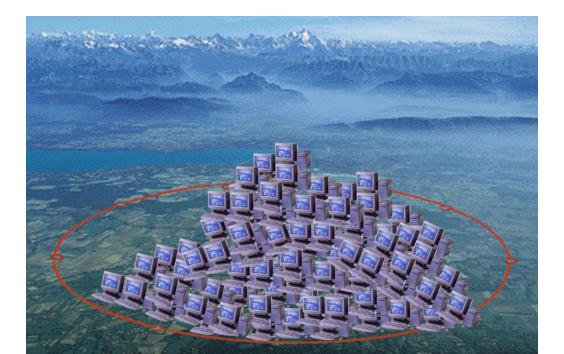
Where will the experiments store all of these data?

Balloon (30 Km) CD stack with 1 year LHC data! (~ 20 Km) Concorde (15 Km) Mt. Blanc (4.8 Km)



LHC data analysis requires a computing power equivalent to ~ 100,000 of today's fastest PC processors

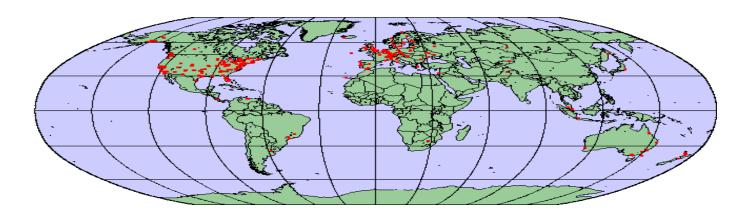
Where will the experiments find such a computing power?





• Problem: even with Computer Centre upgrade, CERN can provide only a fraction of the necessary resources

 Solution: Computing centers, which were isolated in the past, will be connected, uniting the computing resources of particle physicists worldwide



Europe: 267 *institutes* 4603 users

Elsewhere: 208 institutes 1632 users





 The World Wide Web provides seamless access to information that is stored in many millions of different geographical locations

• In contrast, the Grid is an emerging infrastructure that provides seamless access to computing power and data storage capacity distributed over the globe.







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- CERN projects:
 LHC Computing Grid (LCG)
- EC funded projects led by CERN: Enabling Grids for E-Science in Europe (EGEE) European DataGrid (EDG) European DataTAG (EDT) +others
- Industry funded projects:
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LHC Computing Grid (LCG)

Timeline:

- 2002: start project
- 2003: service opened LCG-1 went online in September
- 2004: LCG-2 deployed on >25 centres contributing, first industrial provider announced (HP)
- 2002 2005: deploy the environment for LHC computing
- 2006 2008: build and operate the LHC computing service



Sites include: Academia Sinica Taiwan, BNL, CERN, CNAF, FNAL, FZK, IN2P3 Lyon, FKI Budapest, Moscow State Uni., Prague, PIC Barcelona, RAL, Uni. Tokyo





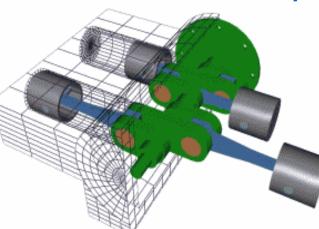
The EGEE Vision



Access to a production quality GRID will change the way science and much else is done in Europe

An international network of scientists will be able to model a new flood of the Danube in real time, using meteorological and geological data from several centers across Europe.





A team of engineering students will be able to run the latest 3D rendering programs from their laptops using the Grid.

A geneticist at a conference, inspired by a talk she hears, will be able to launch a complex biomolecular simulation from her mobile phone.







Internet2 Landspeed Record at Telecom 2003:

From Starlight in Chicago to CERN in Geneva, 1.1TeraByte of data across 7'067 km in less than 30min. at TCP rate of 5.44 Gbps (= 38,420.54 petabit-meters/sec)

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The CERN opencluster

Objectives

- Build an ultrahigh performance computer cluster
- Link it to the DataGrid and test its performance
- Evaluate potential of future commodity technology for LCG







Joining the openlab

Sponsorship = 1.5Meuro / 3 years, can be:

- In-kind donations (list price)
- Dedicated staff (200keuro/year)
- CERN fellowships (80keuro/year)
- Training and support (market rate)
- Specific CERN openlab events
- Other Grid-related PR activities

Since 2003 "Contributor" status exists: Discussions with Voltaire (Israel) ongoing Benefits are CERN as testbed and reference IBM delegation at openlab Annual Sponsors Meeting, June 2003

