DC'04 News

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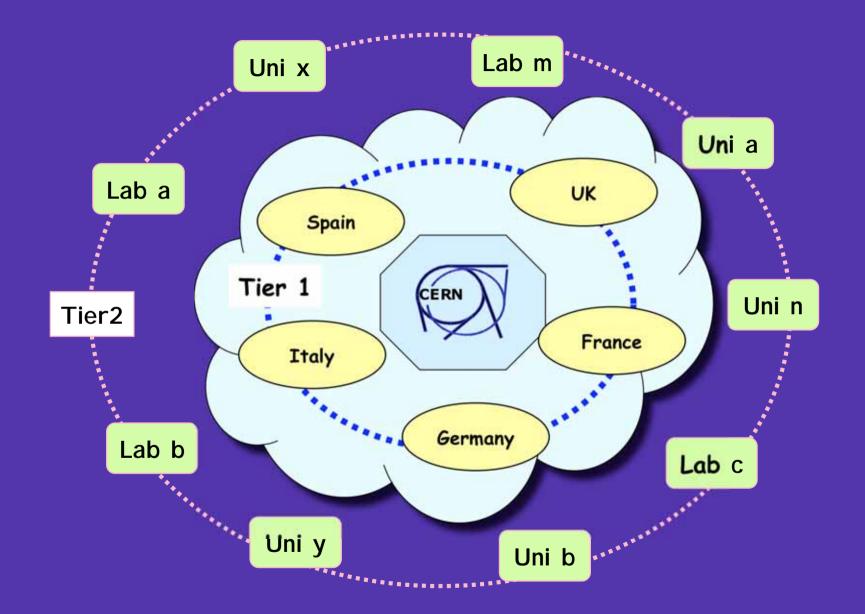


Goals of DC'04

- Main goal: gather information to be used for writing the LHCb computing TDR/TP
 - Robustness test of the LHCb software and production system
 - Using software as realistic as possible in terms of performance
 - Test of the LHCb distributed computing model
 - Including distributed analyses in LCG
 - realistic test of analysis environment, need realistic analyses
 - Incorporation of the LCG application area software into the LHCb production environment
 - Use of LCG resources as a substantial fraction of the production capacity



Architecture of LHCb DC'04





Data Distributed

- All data DST stored at CERN
- Another copy stored at Tiers 1 centres:
 - PIC (Barcelona)
 - CNAF (Bologna) CASTOR
 - RAL (Didcot)
 - FZK(Karlsruhe)
 - IN2P3/CNRS (Lyon)

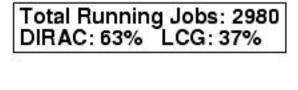


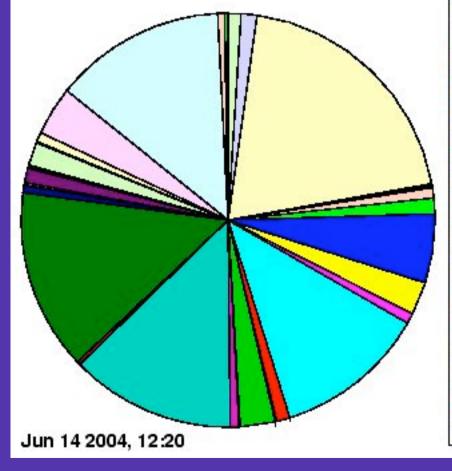
Production Running

- DIRAC agent deployed on each LHCb dedicated site
- One single agent for LCG.
- Some sites offer both dedicated LHCb and LCG resources
 - Current production is dominated by non-LCG resources
 - Move to LCG once production on LCG more robust on going process



Production Snapshot



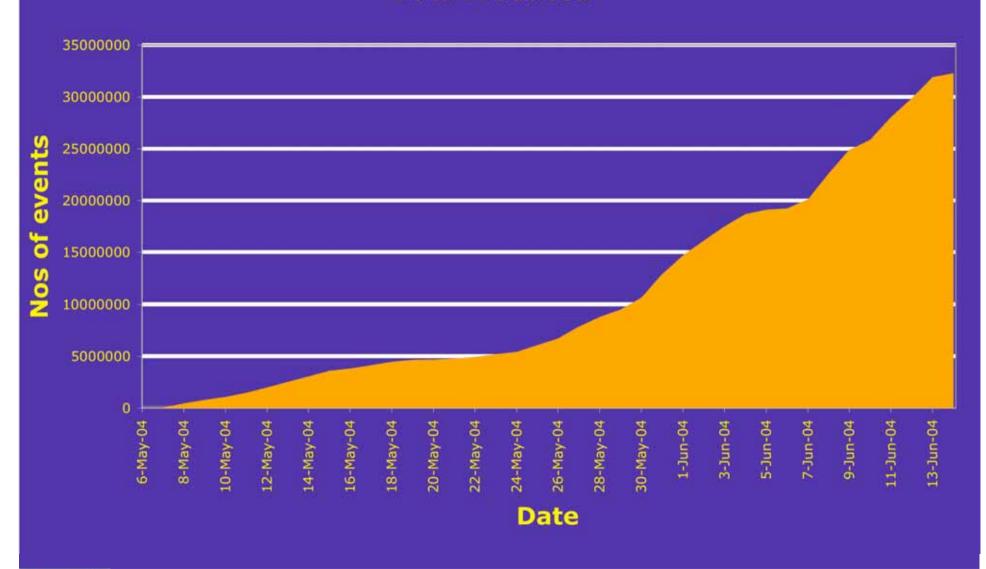


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DIRAC.Bologna.it	1.241%
DIRAC.CERN.ch	19.93%
DIRAC.CracowAgu.pl	0.167%
DIRAC. IF-UFRJ.br	0.134%
DIRAC. IHEP-Protvino.ru	0.805%
DIRAC. IHEP2-Protvino.ru	1.208%
DIRAC.ITEP-Moscow.ru	5.402%
DIRAC.Imperial.uk	2.583%
DIRAC.JINR-Dubna.ru	0.805%
DIRAC.Karlsruhe.de	11.87%
DIRAC . LHCBONLINE . ch	1.040%
DIRAC.Liverpool.uk	0.134%
DIRAC.Lyon.fr	2.718%
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DIRAC.Oxford.uk	0.033%
DIRAC.Santiago.es	0.671%
DIRAC.ScotGrid.uk	12.88%
DIRAC. Zurich. ch	0.268%
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LOG.CNAF.it	0.604%
LOG.Cambridge.uk	0.201%
LOG.Imperial.uk	1.107%
LOG.Krakow.pl	0.134%
LOG.Legnaro.it	0.134%
LCG.Milano.it	1.812%
LOG.NCU.tw	0.100%
LOG.NIKHEF.nl	0.738%
LCG.PIC.es	3.825%
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Production Snapshot

Data Produced





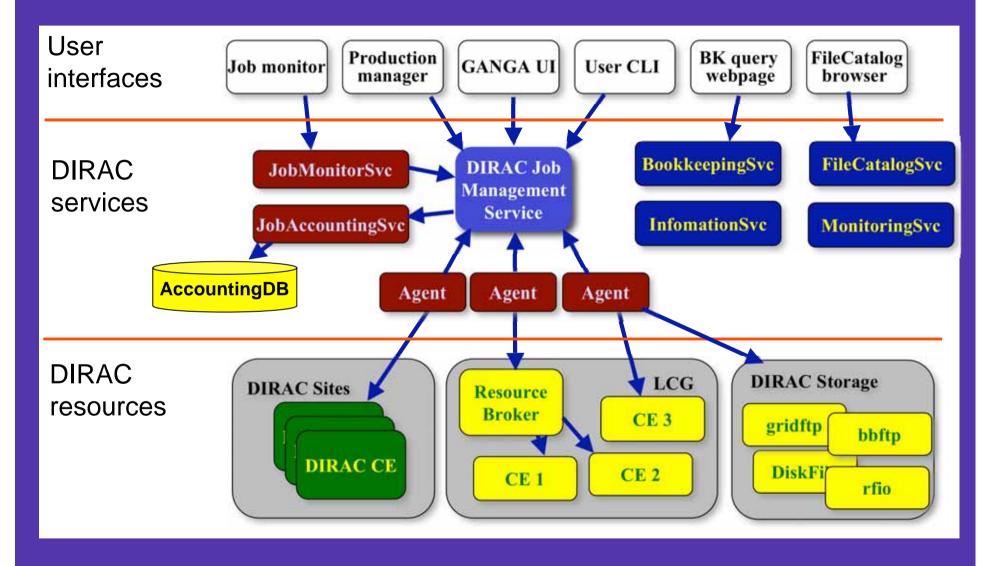
DIRAC sites

- 14 sites in production
 - 4 Russia
 - 4 UK
 - 2 Spain
 - 2 Switzerland
 - 1 I taly
 - 1 France
 - 1 Poland
 - 1 Germany
 - 1 Brazil
 - 2 CERN

- Barcelona
- Bologna
- Cern (x2 incl online farm)
- Cracow
- If-ufrj
- I hep-protvino(x2)
- Imperial
- Itep-moscow
- Jinr-dubna
- Karlsruhe
- Liverpool
- Lyon
- Manno
- Oxford
- Santiago
- ScotGrid
- Zurich



DIRAC Status





DIRAC & File Catalogs

- Using both LHCb Bookkeeping and AliEn File catalog:
 - Getting experience
 - Redundancy
 - Behaving reliably
- Plans to use LCG RLS
 - Tools being developed to cross populate/register

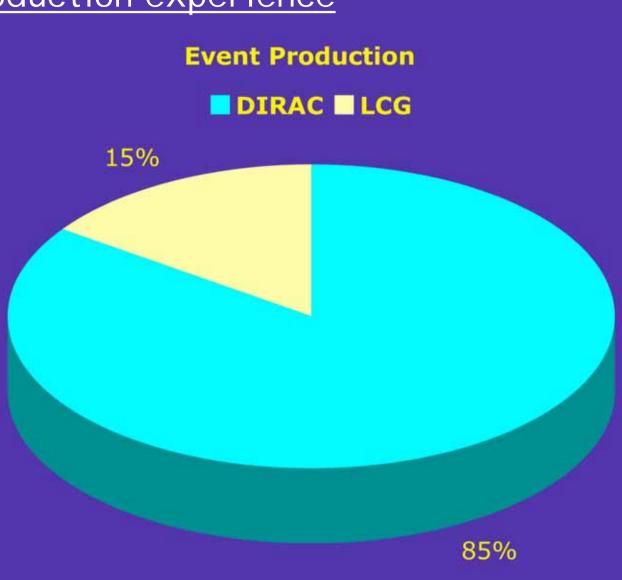


- invaluable central LCG support
- No major problems with LCG
 - Very few jobs failing due to LCG problem
- File Transfers! problems transfer with BBFTP,
 SFTP, GridFTP (not just a LCG problem)
 - This has led to many failed jobs
- Debugging problems is very time consuming and difficult
 - Lack of returned info & need to involve local LCG ops.



- Normalised Queue Time Limit
 - an ad-hoc solution for this problem being implemented
 - CERN only site that advertises non-WallClocktime perhaps correct approach but exception causes headache
- Tools to handle large number of production jobs
 - Job submission
 - Status via API's C++ & Python
- I ssues with proxies for long jobs
 - Jobs are submitted with 3 day long proxy and "some" are aborted with "Proxy expired" reason after few hours.







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 - 1 USA
 - 1 Germany
 - 1 Poland
 - 1 Canada
 - CERN

- Cambridge
- CERN
- CNAF
- I mperial
- Krakow
- Legnaro
 - Milano

- NCU
- Nikhef
- PIC
- RAL
- Torino
 - Triumf
 - USC

Also have used: Karlsruhe, FNAL

In process of adding: Toronto &

KFKI (Hungary)

Good working relationship with site managers where we have had problems



Next steps

- Reprocessing jobs:
 - E.g. stripping
 - Need scheduling dependant on the input data
 - interrogates File Catalog then chooses destination site(s)
 - Input data specified as logical file names
 - Physical file names are resolved locally automatically using POOL/ROOT mechanisms



Next steps - preparation for analysis

- DaVinci application is packaged and usable as any other Gaudi application:
- DaVinci job for DI RAC or LCG is prepared in the same way:
 - GANGA
 - Command line submission:
 - After user job options and dll's are prepared to be shipped with a job



Summary

- DC'04 started with brand new DIRAC
 - components allow flexible use for different scenarios
- MC production, with data replication to Tier1 centres, running relative smoothly
 - No major show stoppers but a number of niggling problems are manpower intensive
- LCG-2 beginning to be fully incorporated in production
- More complex scenarios need to be prepared for: reprocessing and analysis.

