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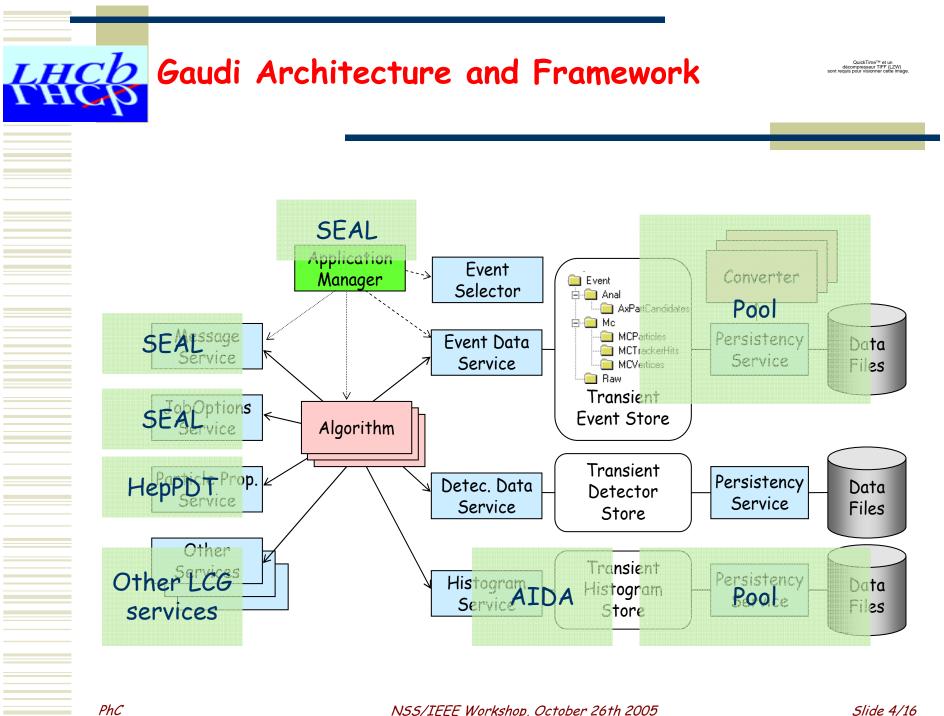
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- LHCb Applications
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- o Summary

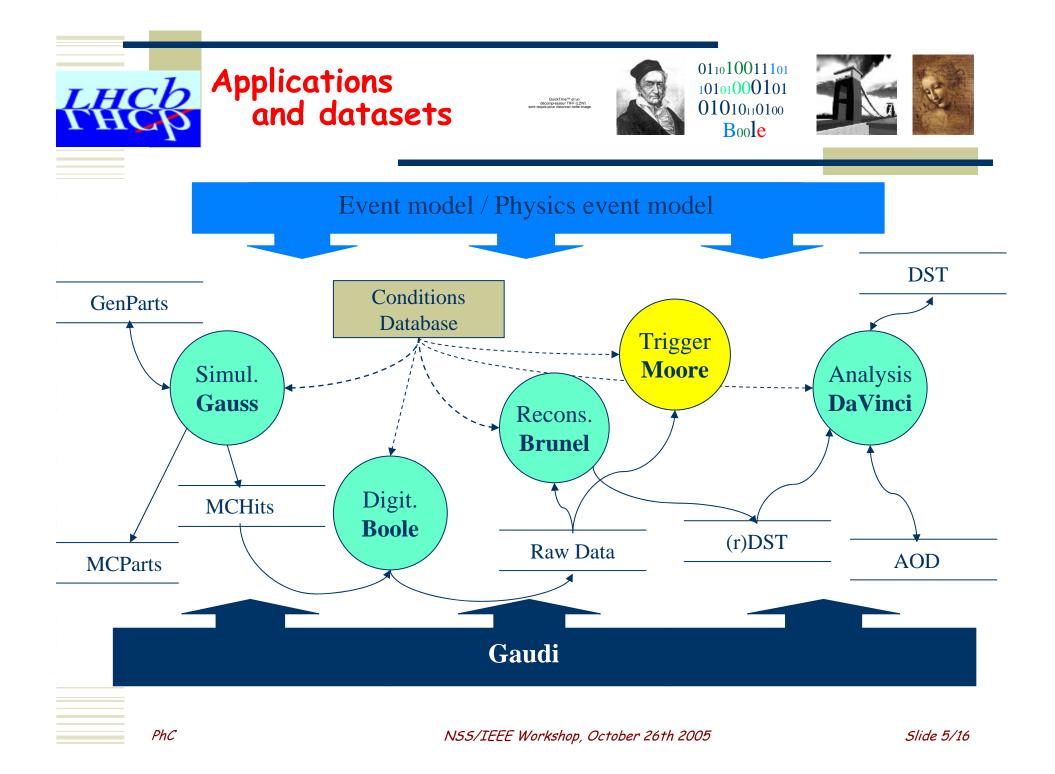
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LHCD Software Strategy

- Develop an Architecture ('blueprint') and a Framework (real code) to be used at all stages of LHCb data processing
 - $\hfill\square$ high level triggers, simulation, reconstruction, analysis
 - a single framework used by all members of the collaboration
- Avoid fragmentation and duplication of computing efforts
 - common vocabulary, better understanding of the system
 - $\hfill\square$ better specifications of what needs to be done
 - identify and build common components
 - ▷ guidelines and coordination for SD groups
- Transparent use of third-party components wherever possible
 - Leverage from LCG applications area software
 - □ GUI, persistency, simulation....
- Applications are developed by customizing the Framework





LHCL Gauss - Geant4-based simulation application



- Gaudi application
- o Uses
 - Pythia (Herwig being included) and EVTGEN (Babar) for event generation
 - HepMC as exchange model
 - Geant4 as simulation engine
- Simulation framework within Gaudi: GiGa
 - Converts HepMC to Geant4 input
 - Interfaces with all Gaudi services (geometry, magnetic field...)
 - Converts Geant4 trajectories to LHCb event model (MCHits, MCParticles and MCVertices)



Boole & Brunel Digitisation and reconstruction

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- o Boole
 - From MCHits to Digits (Raw buffer format)
 - [Running trigger algorithms]
 - Output: Raw buffer & MC truth (+relations)
- o Brunel
 - From Raw buffer to DST
 - Complete pattern recognition
 - Charged tracks: long, upstream, downstream
 - Calorimeter clusters & electromagnetic particle identification
 - RICH particle identification
 - Muon particle identification
 - Output: [r]DST format based on the LHCb event model

LHCD DaVinci - The LHCb Analysis Framework



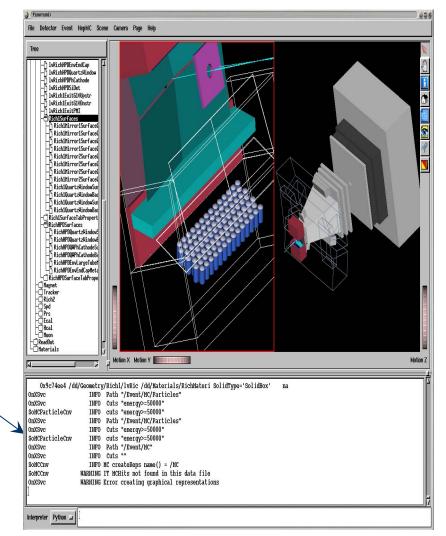
• Gaudi application

- Facilitates migration of algorithms from analysis to reconstruction
- Interactive analysis through Python scripting
- Physicists only manipulate abstract objects (particles and vertices)
 - Concentrate on functionality rather than on technicality
- Manipulation and analysis tools for general use
- Physics event model for describing all physicsrelated objects produced by the analysis algorithms
 - Keep loose connection to reconstruction entities (tracks, clusters)

LHCS Panoramix - Event & Geometry Display

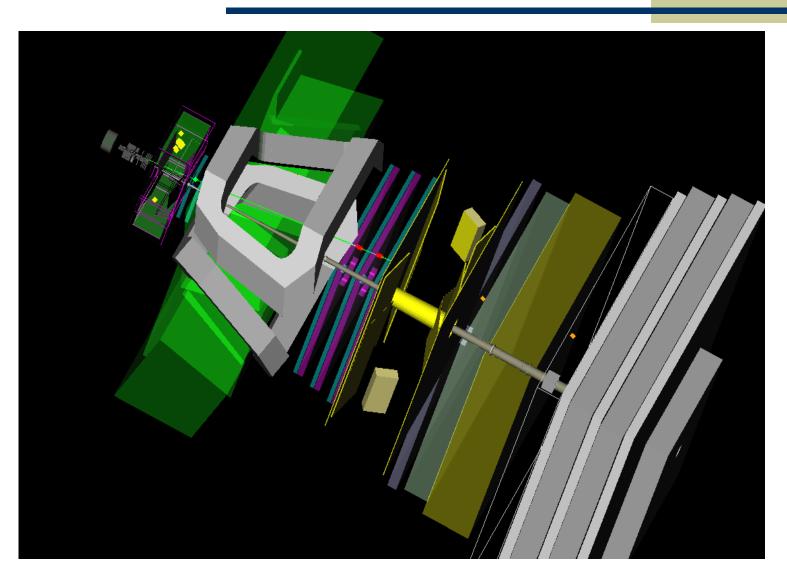
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- Panoramix package based on OpenInventor
- Is able to display:
 - Geometry from XML files
 - MC data objects
 - Reconstruction objects
- Scripting based on python
- Gaudi application, hence can be integrated with e.g. DaVinci algorithms

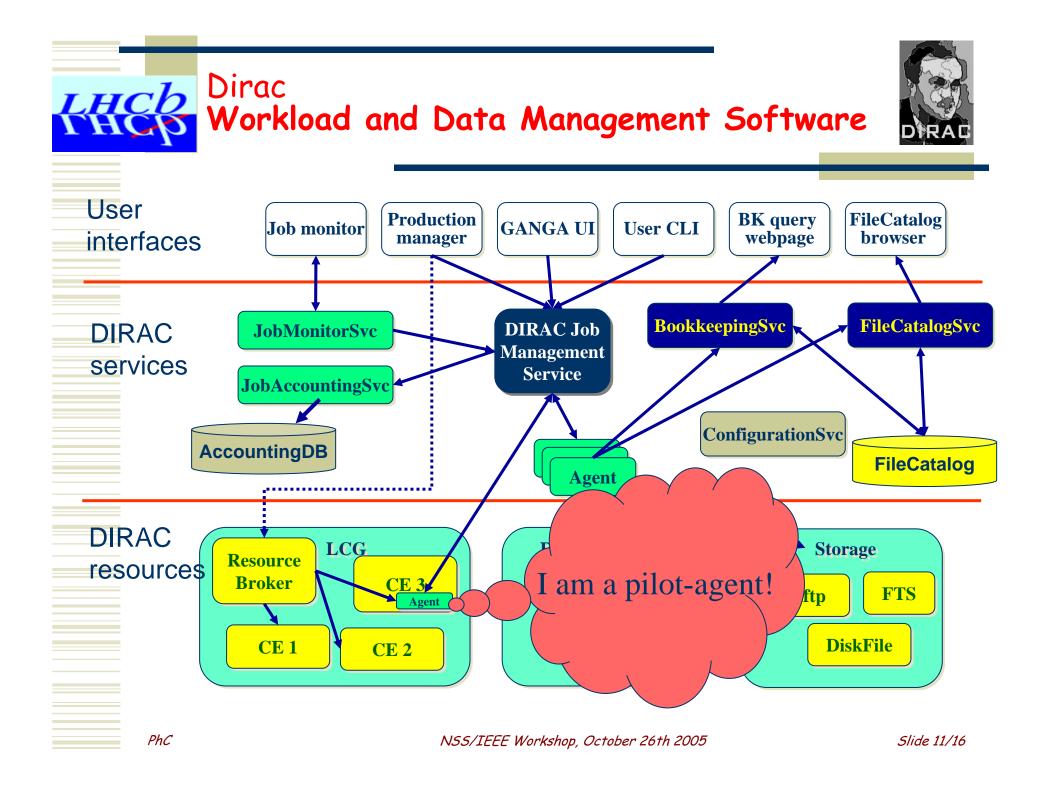




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LHCC Ganga - The job wizard



Goal

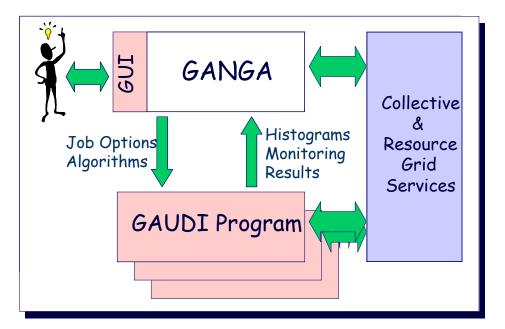
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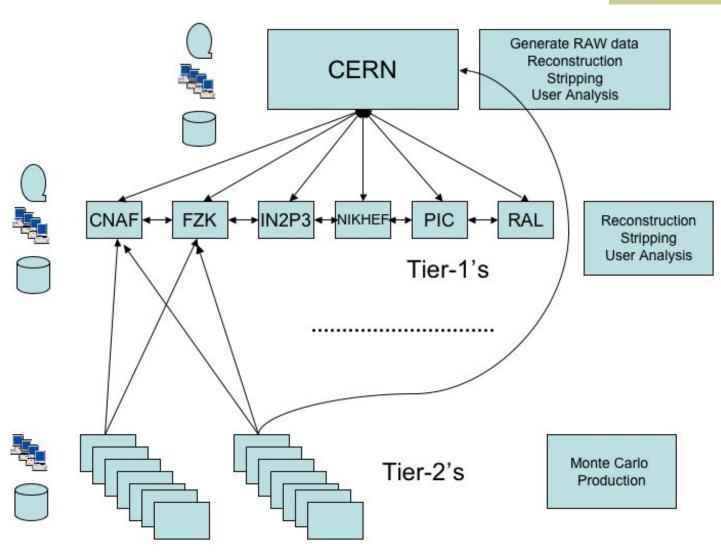
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- Simplify the management of analysis and production jobs for end-user physicists by developing a tool for accessing Grid services with built-in knowledge of how Gaudi works
- Required functionality
 - Job preparation and configuration
 - Job submission, monitoring and control
 - □ Resource browsing, booking, etc.
- Done in collaboration with ATLAS
- Back-end for LHCb analysis: Dirac
- Status: starts being used at Tier-1 sites



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LHCB Data Challenges

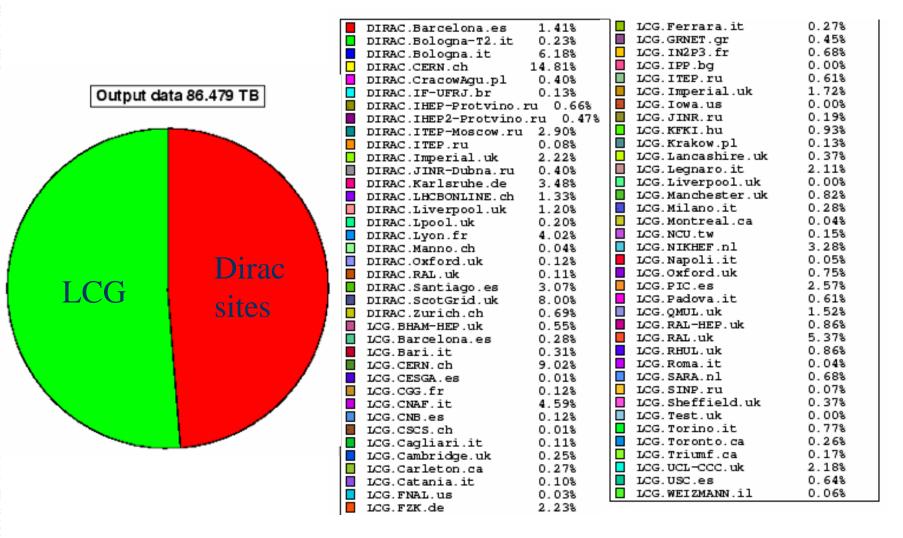
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- measure quality (# crashes / # events) and performance of software
- scalability tests for simulation, reconstruction and analysis
- production tests over grid using all LHCb regional centres

DC'03	TDR production	5. 10 ⁷ Events (2%) 1 crash in < 20k events	Feb-April 2003
DC'04	LCG2 functionality test	300. 10 ⁶ Events (10%) 1 crash in < 200k events	May-August 2004
SC3	LCG Service Challenge	Large data transfers (up to 10 Tbytes) to Tier-1s	October-Nov 2005
DC'06	Large scale test over fully deployed grid Testing Computing Model	~300. 10 ⁶ Events (~10%) 1 crash in < 20M events	May-August 2006
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LHCB Summary

- A software framework (Gaudi) with full set of services has been developed for use in all event processing applications
- Common set of high level components developed
 - e.g. detector geometry, conditions DB, event model, interactive/visualization tools
 - provides guidelines and minimizes work for physicists developing detector and physics algorithms
- The production of large datasets of ~300 M events was a success (DC04)
 - Production architecture (DIRAC) and toolset
 - Dirac using LCG2 in place and running (~50% of processing power)
- Data management challenge (SC3) ongoing
- Distributed Analysis (Ganga + Dirac) starting now at Tier-1's
- DC06 planned for testing the Computing Model