





Status of PHYSnet cluster integration

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U Hamburg commitments in FIDIUM

- Topic II Data lakes, distributed data, caching
 - investigate and deploy data caching technologies
 - integrate dynamic data caches near newly integrated CPU resources
- Topic III Adaptation, testing, optimization
 - deploy tools developed within FIDIUM to selected computing centers
 - integrate into production/analysis environments of HEP experiments
 - optimize to requirements for typical analysis workflows

PHYSnet cluster

compute resources shared by all institutes of physics faculty

- heterogeneous cluster, various queues for diverse applications:
 - *idefix.q* mixed single-threaded applications
 - *infinix.q* for multi-node applications using MPI + InfiniBand
 - **obelix.q**, **epyx.q** for large-memory applications
 - graphix.q for GPU applications
- parts reserved for exclusive use by various project groups
 - high flexibility for tailoring to individual/group use-cases
 - can integrate dedicated resources for HEP applications





*) transition to **SLURM in progress**

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OS

Typical setup

transparent access to external resources provided by overlay batch system



drone concept for acquiring and holding on to resources

remote jobs run in containers that emulate familiar environment

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Third-party cluster

PHYSnet

Current setup

- working setup for scheduling HEP analysis jobs to *PHYSnet* cluster
 - central HTCondor instance
 - jobs scheduled to drone containers provisioned via native
 SGE batch system
- obtained dedicated resources for hosting HEP-specific services
- unpacked container images taken from /cvmfs/unpacked.cern.ch
- moved to EL9 grid environment for job containers



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Planned developments

- second dedicated host for caching
- CVMFS site-wide installation
 - alternatively, set up via *cvmfsexec* inside drone container
- adapt to *PHYSnet* transition to SLURM, expected to complete by the end of the year
- set up COBaID/TARDIS instance for automated drone management



HTCondor setup



Service host

- condor v10.0 (to match worker node)
- system-wide installation, configured with central manager, submit roles
- authentication via pool password
- schedd runs here to accept user jobs

Drone / Worker node

- matterminers/htcondor-wn container developed by KIT, provides HTCondor instance configured with execute role
 - startd runs inside drones & connects to other HTCondor daemons
 - dynamically updated configuration from external git repo using *condor-git-config*
- jobs run in predefined singularity container cmssw/el9, from /cvmfs/unpacked.cern.ch with bind-mounted /cvmfs

Other developments

- set up *ansible* playbook with roles for all services on the central head node
 - useful for *documentation* & *redeployment*
- continued development of grid submission tool grid-control
 - adapted to *python3.9* and *el9* grid UI
 - implemented support for stage-in and stage-out via WebDAV protocol

Summary

- continued development of *PHYSnet* cluster setup for HEP analysis jobs
- obtained and commissioned dedicated resources for providing HEP-specific services (CVMFS, Frontier-Squid, XCache)
- set up *HTCondor* batch system for job submission on main service node

Next steps

- adapt to SLURM as soon as it is deployed at PHYSnet (transition in progress)
- improve provisioning of CVMFS, either by site-wide installation or via modified drone image
- large-scale testing of analysis workflows and collection of performance metrics
- COBalD/TARDIS, integration into overlay batch system at e.g. NAF

Thank you for your attention!

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