



Facility Services

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- Shared, often underlying, services:
 - System administration, hardware + OS: install, monitor, fix, retire computing equipment for other services: compute, storage, databases, ...
 - Coordinate with data center services, network services
 - Server & disk storage purchases: budget, specifications, procurement process
 - Software container infrastructure, currently OKD/Kubernetes
 - Underlying tools: monitoring, configuration management, others; used by us and by other service providers
- Other services used by experiments:
 - Interactive computing ("gpvm" and CMS LPC interactive nodes)
 - OKD
 - Jenkins CI/CD service



Linux future: AlmaLinux

- Fermilab and CERN recommended CentOS Stream in October 2021, but ...
 - 5-year support cycle proved unpopular
 - Some initial issues with broken updates for Stream
 - Rebuilds announced in 2021 (Rocky Linux, AlmaLinux) seem stable, have good support
 - CMS offline (cmssw) chose AlmaLinux
- Revised Fermilab/CERN recommendation for AlmaLinux in December 2022
- Relevant dates:
 - Scientific Linux 7 support ends June 2024
 - Alma 8 support ends May 2029
 - Alma 9 support ends May 2032; we encourage moving directly to 9



Jenkins CI / CD

Central dashboard to configure, run, and see status:

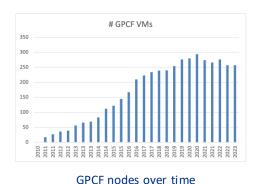


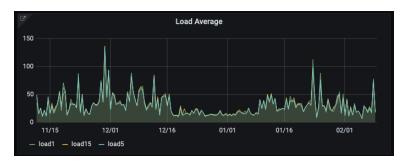
- Hooks to local repos, GitHub, etc.
- Linux build nodes



Interactive computing

- GPCF (interactive General Physics Computing Facility; "gpvms")
 - Used for a variety of purposes by most experiments (other than CMS)
- CMS LPC interactive nodes: also VMs, using same tools as GPC





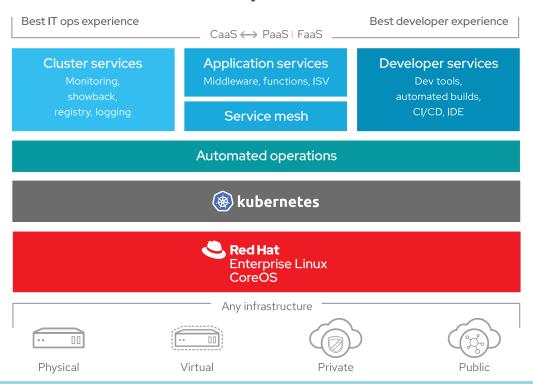
CMS LPC nodes—load average

- Familiar, well established; more supportable than large numbers of physical nodes
- Less flexible than, e.g., elastic analysis facility



Container infrastructure

Running on OKD (open-sourced Red Hat OpenShift):
 multi-tenant container ecosystem





Container infrastructure

Used for:

- SCSS-supported services:
 - Rucio
 - DUNE hardware database
 - FTS3
 - Others
- Elastic analysis facility https://analytics-hub.fnal.gov/
 - JupyterHub, BinderHub Coffea-Dask
 - Access to GPUs
 Triton Inference Server
 - Burst to batch farms
 Various other applications
 - Now in production (though offerings and scope are still growing)



Upcoming challenges

- Upgrade ~3000 systems from SL7
- Prepare for HL-LHC, DUNE, Mu2e, others
- Continue progress toward containerization, isolation from base OS
- IPv6 mandate
 - 20% IPv6-only by end of FY23
 - 50% IPv6-only by end of FY24
 - 80% IPv6-only by end of FY25
- Rapidly evolving hardware landscape: GPUs, FPGAs; CPU architectures (ARM, Power, x86 innovations); new SSD types and other storage; etc.
- Longer lead times for purchases: regulatory environment; supply chain (improving but still a factor)

