Managing data movement between OSG sites in ATLAS experiment

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Outline

- ATLAS Event Model
- Distributed Data Management (DDM) software and components
- DDM Operation Activity
 - Data replication tests
 - CCRC08, FDR-II, Functional Tests
- Conclusions and summary

Event data flow from online to offline

- Events are written in "ByteStream" format by the Event Filter farm in ~2 GB files
 - ~1000 events/file (nominal size is 1.6 MB/event)
 - 200 Hz trigger rate (independent of luminosity)
 - Currently several streams are foreseen:
 - Express stream with "most interesting" events to be processed immediately
 - ~5 event streams, separated by trigger signature
 - e.g. muons, electromagnetic, hadronic jets, taus, minimum bias
 - Calibration events
 - "Trouble maker" events (for debugging)
 - One 2-GB file every 5 seconds will be available from the Event Filter
 - Data will be transferred from the pit to the Tier-0 input buffer at 320 MB/s (average)

The Event Data Model

Refining the data by:Add higher level info, Skim, Thin, Slim

Reconstruction Output.
Intended for calibration.
500 KB/event.
Cells,Hits,Tracks,
Clusters,Electrons, Jets, ...

Raw Channels. 1.6 MB/event.

Event Summary

Data

Raw Data
Objects

Intended for Analysis.
100 KB/event.
"Light-weight" Tracks,
Clusters, Electrons,
Jets, Electron Cells,
Muon HitOnTrack,...

Technology and use cases not settled pest electrons, jets...

Analysis
Object
Data

Physics
Data

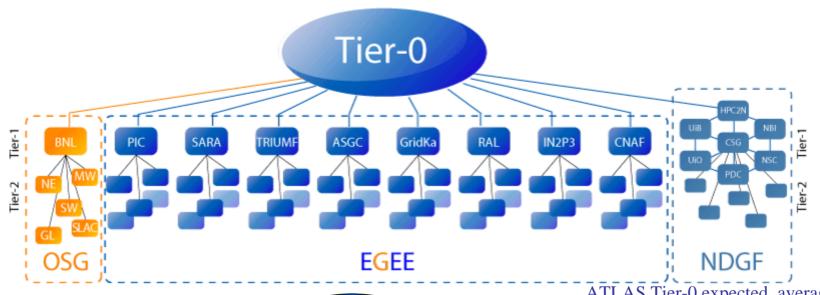
Intended for "interactive"
Analysis.
~10-20 KB/event.
What-ever is necessary
for a specific analysis/
calibration/study.

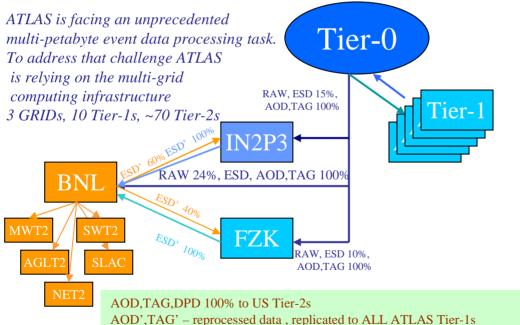
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Event data model

- RAW:
 - "ByteStream" format, ~1.6 MB/event
- ESD (Event Summary Data):
 - Full output of reconstruction in object (POOL/ROOT) format:
 - Tracks (and their hits), Calo Clusters, Calo Cells, combined reconstruction objects etc.
 - Nominal size 1 MB/event initially, to decrease as the understanding of the detector improves
 - Compromise between "being able to do everything on the ESD" and "not enough disk space to store too large events"
- AOD (Analysis Object Data):
 - Summary of event reconstruction with "physics" (POOL/ROOT) objects:
 - electrons, muons, jets, etc.
 - Nominal size 100 kB/event (now 200 kB/event including MC truth)
- DPD (Derived Physics Data):
 - Skimmed/slimmed/thinned events + other useful "user" data derived from AODs and conditions data
 - Nominally 10 kB/event on average
 - Large variations depending on physics channels
- TAG:
 - Database (or ROOT files) used to quickly select events in AOD and/or ESD files

from D.Barberis





ATLAS Tier-0 expected average rates

- Raw 320 MB/s
- ESD 200 MB/s
- AOD 20 MB/s
- TAG 2 MB/s

Total: 542 MB/s from Tier-0 to Tier-1s

- BNL expected average rates (w/o re-processed data)
 - Tape
 - RAW 80 MB/s
 - Disk
 - ESD 50+150 MB/s
 - AOD 20 MB/s
 - TAG 2 MB/s

Total BNL: 302 MB/s

ESD'

- reprocessed data, replicated within "triangle" BNL-FZK-LYON

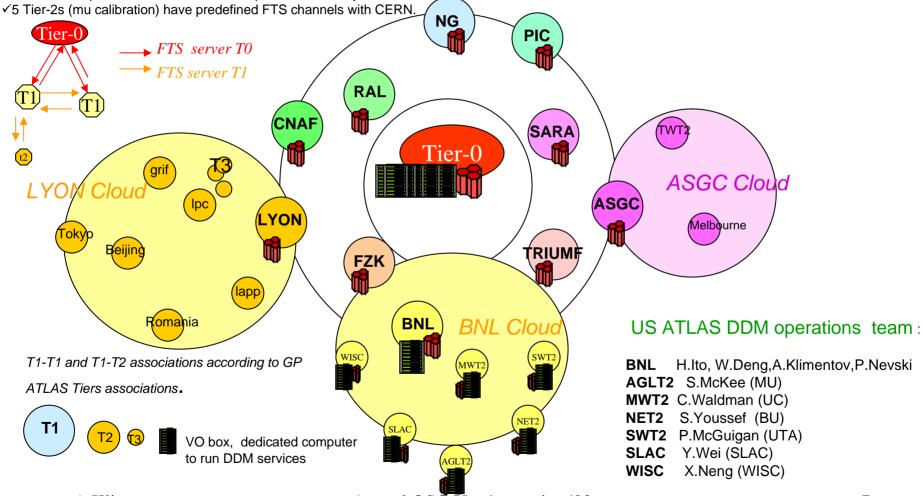
DDM Deployment and Operations Model

- ✓EGEE and NDGF clouds have 1 File Catalog (LFC) per cloud
- ✓US cloud has 1 file catalog (LRC) per site
- ✓All Tier-1s have predefined FTS channel with CERN and with each other.

DDM Deployment Model since Jun 2007

√Tier-2s are associated with one Tier-1 and form the cloud

√Tier-2s have predefined channel with the parent Tier-1 only



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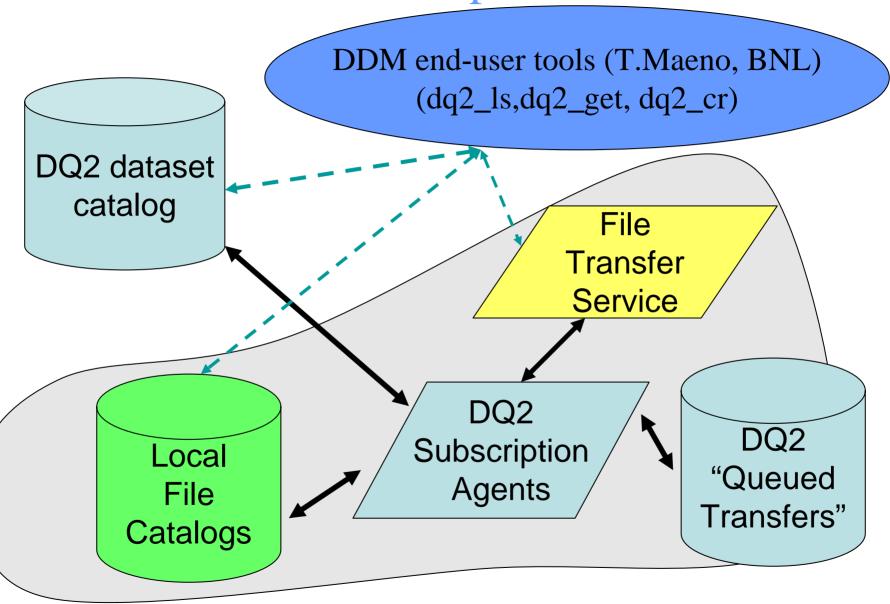
ATLAS Data Management Software - Don Quijote

- The second generation of the ATLAS DDM system (DQ2)
 - DQ2 developers M.Branco, D.Cameron, V.Garonne, T.Maeno(BNL), P.Salgado, T.Wenaus(BNL),...
 - Initial idea and architecture were proposed by M.Branco and T.Wenaus (BNL)
- DQ2 is built on top of Grid data transfer tools
 - Moved to dataset based approach
 - Datasets : an aggregation of files plus associated DDM metadata
 - Datasets is a unit of storage and replication
 - Automatic data transfer mechanisms using distributed site services
 - Subscription system
 - Notification system
 - SW releases deployed in 2007 /08
 - Central services : DQ2 0.3 (Jun 07)
 - Site Services : DQ2 0.4 (Oct 07)
 - Site Services : DQ2 0.5 (Dec 07)
 - Site Services : DQ2 0.6 (Mar-Apr 08)
 - Central catalogs, containers, site services : DQ2 1.0, 1.1 (May-Jun 08)

Major Changes and Improvements in DDM/DQ2 Software (2007/08)

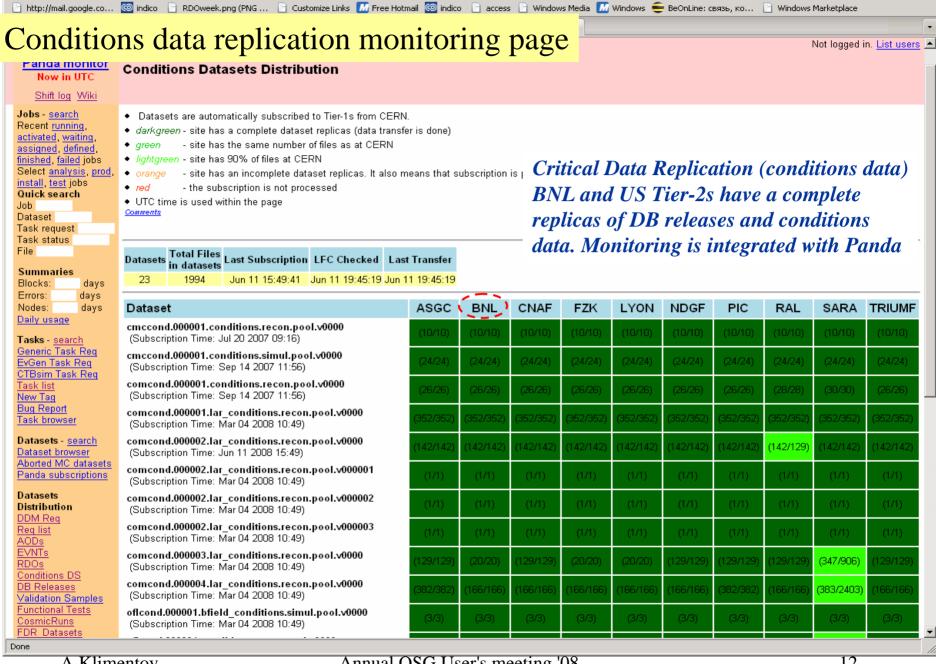
- 6 Software release since Jun 2007 to address Operations needs and to improve system performance
 - Switch to ORACLE backend for central datasets catalog
 - Performance and stability are improved
 - [ARDA] Monitoring
 - Data navigation
 - Cloud views
 - Errors summary
 - Site services
 - Dataset replicas look up is improved
 - Dataset subscription processing is improved
 - New packaging and deployment procedures
 - Fair-share implementation
 - Used for critical data replication (conditions data, database releases, etc)
 - New central catalogs schema
 - Containers implementation

DDM components



DDM Activities.

- Cosmic data replication
- Critical data (conditions datasets, database releases) replication
- Analysis Object Data (AOD) replication for physics analysis
- Support MC production
- DDM monitoring and control
- Data integrity check
- DDM Functional and throughput tests
- User and group support



DDM Replication Metrica

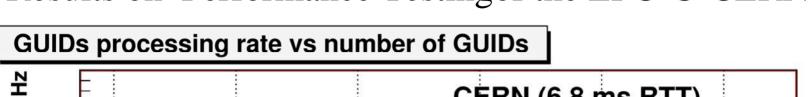
- Test Software Components
- Combined Computing Readiness Challenge of 2008
- Full Dress Rehearsal
- Functional and Throughput Tests

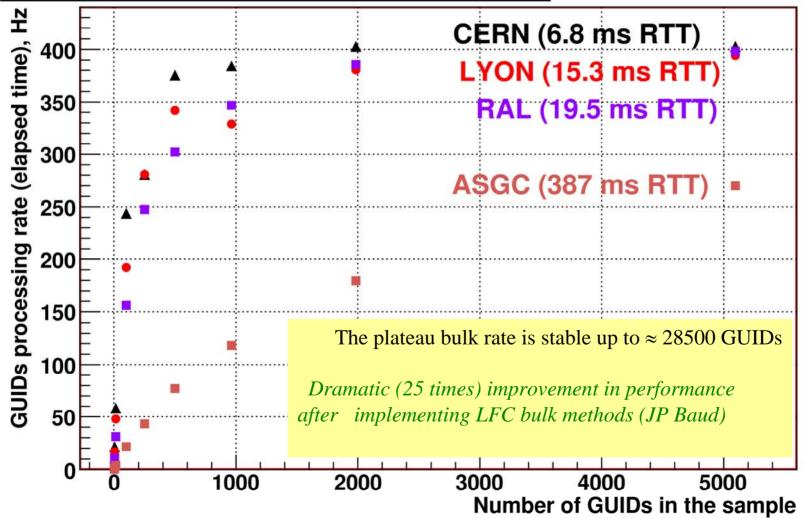
Test DDM SW Components. LFC

- LFC one of vital components, out of DDM
- It is important the two work together as expected
- We organized systematic measurements to understand performance to spot and fix problems...
- Initial LFC performance was found poor: 12 Hz
- It was joint effort of ATLAS DDM Operations team, DQ2 developers, CERN ARDA and LFC Author to understand and to improve the catalog's performance.
- ATLAS performance requirement was driven by our computing and event model

Test DDM SW Components

Results on Performance Testingof the LFC @ CERN



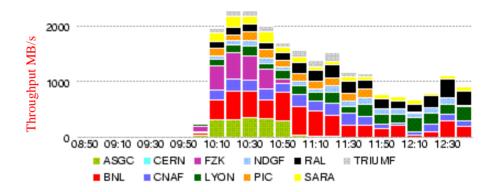


CCRC08

- Combined Computing Readiness Challenge of 2008
 - LHC-wide computing challenge,
 - a preparatory Phase 1 series of tests conducted in February,
 - main Phase 2 conducted in May, 2008.
 - ATLAS in CCRC08
 - Tests carried along for the all month
 - CCRC08 ONLY during week days
 - Cosmic data during the weekend (commissioning and M7)
 - Focused on data distribution according to Computing Model
 - Tier0->Tier1's, Tier1->Tier1's, Tier1->Tier2's
 - Very demanding metrics
 - More than you will need to do during 2008 data taking

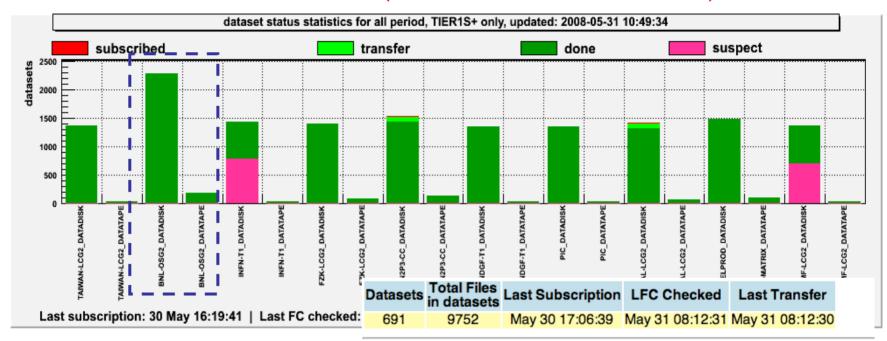
CCRC08 (Tier0-Tier1's)

• T0->T1: sites should demonstrate to be capable to import 100% of the subscribed datasets (complete datasets) within 6 hours from the end of the exercise



	Transfers			Registrations		Errors	
Cloud	Efficiency	Throughput	Successes	Datasets	Files	Transfer	Registration
ASGC	100%	219 MB/s	300	46	300	0	0
BNL	100%	471 MB/s	597	10	597	0	0
CERN		0 MB/s	0	0			0
CNAF	100%	195 MB/s	196	17	196	0	0
FZK	100%	229 MB/s	331	40	329	0	0
LYON	99%	147 MB/s	155	9	156	2	0
NDGF	100%	83 MB/s	98	22	98	0	0
PIC	100%	132 MB/s	156	19	156	0	0
RAL	99%	154 MB/s	152	17	152	1	0
SARA	100%	132 MB/s	207	16	208	0	0
TRIUMF	100%	105 MB/s	94	26	92	0	0

CCRC08 (Tier0-Tier1's)



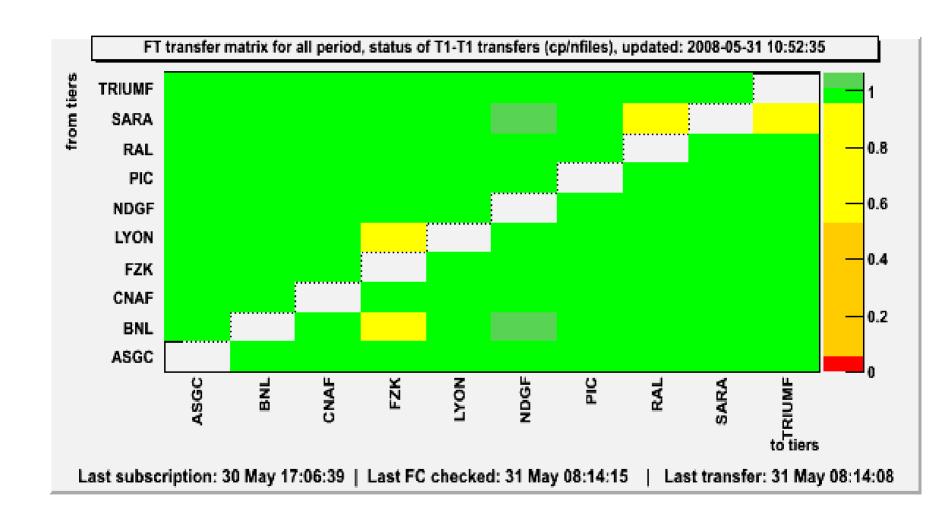
BNL managed to get all data with average throughput 470+MB/s (1.55 times more than nominal)

All transfers to BNL instances (DISK and TAPE) were completed

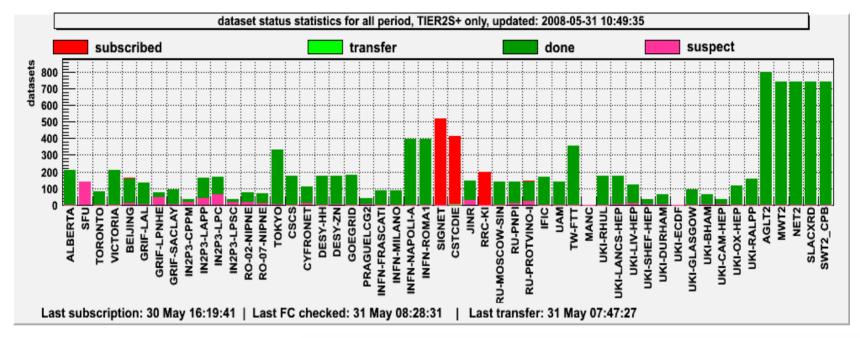
Backlog was recovered within 24h (after CERN power cut)

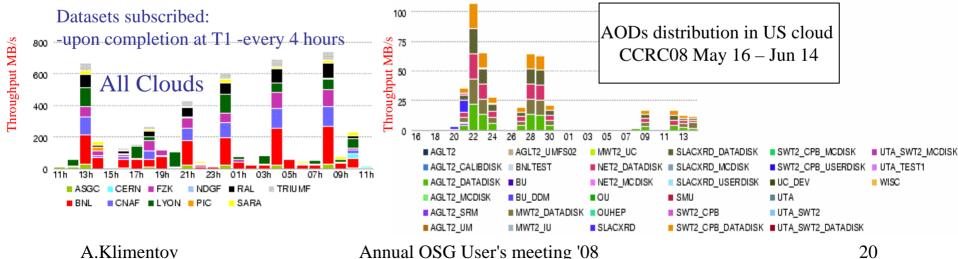
اے	Tier1	Datasets	Total Files in datasets	Total CpFiles in datasets	Completed	Transfer	Subscribed
	BNL	549	8170	8170	549	0	0
_	FZK	442	3400	3097	422	9	11
	IN2P3	432	3528	3432	426	0	6
	INFN	464	3530	3530	464	0	0
	NDGF	477	4033	4137	472	0	0
	PIC	483	4046	4044	482	0	1
	RAL	505	5013	4900	485	18	2
	SARA	421	3137	3136	420	0	1
	TAIWAN	470	4050	4036	464	5	1
	TRIUMF	488	4221	4120	477	10	1

CCRC08: Tier1-Tier1's



CCRC08: Tier1-Tier2's





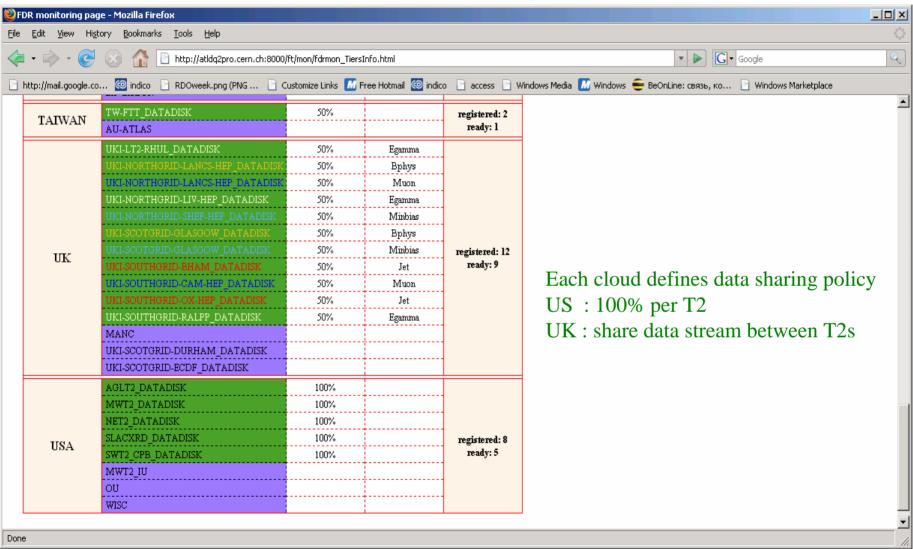
Full Dress Rehearsal – II (FDR-II)

ATLAS tried to practice everything — from data coming off the experiment right through to it being shipped around and analyzed — under conditions just as they will be when real data—taking begins.

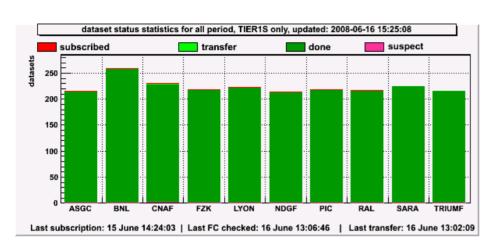
Test scope:

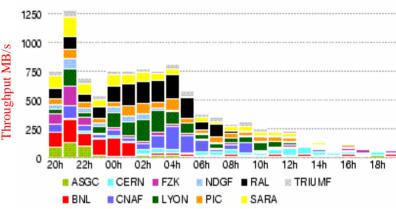
- Simulated data in RAW data format are pre-loaded on the output buffers of the online computing farm and transmitted to the Tier-0 farm at nominal rate (200 Hz, 320 MB/s), mimicking the LHC operation cycle
- Data are calibrated/aligned/reconstructed at Tier-0 and distributed to Tier-1 and
 Tier-2 centres, following the computing model
- At the same time, distributed simulation production and distributed analysis activities continue, providing a constant background load
- Reprocessing at Tier-1s is also tested in earnest for the first time

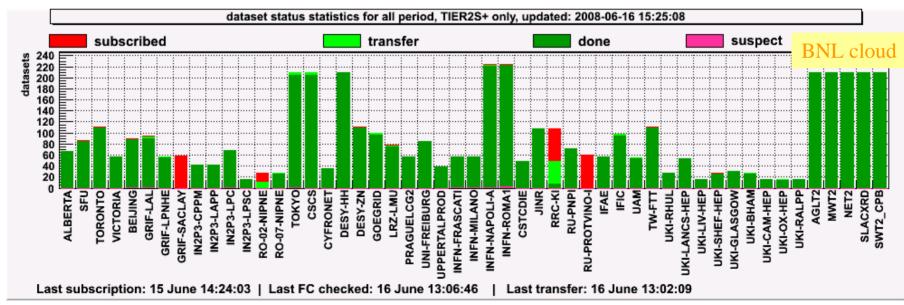
FDR-II. Data sharing within clouds



FDR-II (data replication)







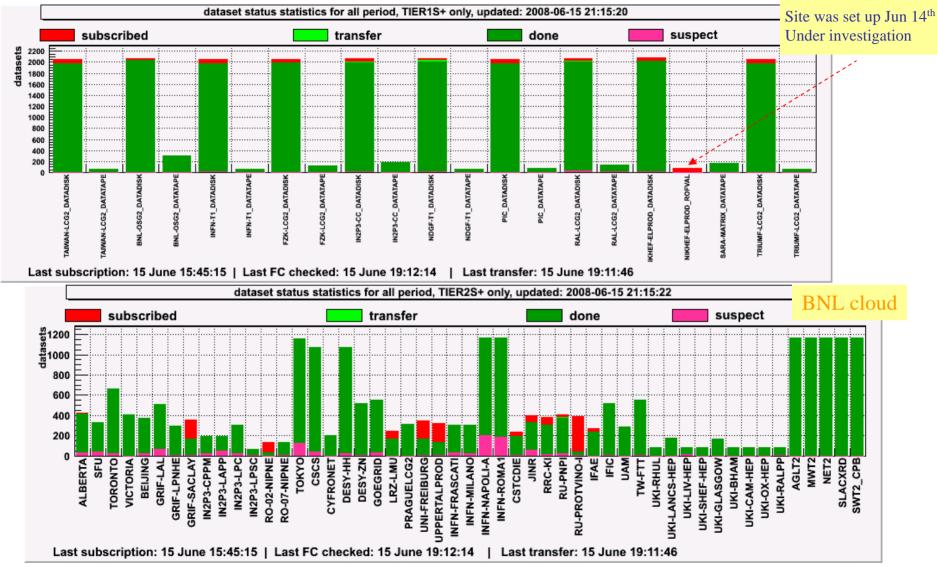
FDR-II DDM issues (summary)

- From ATLAS Physics Coordination
 - Data transport OK
 - DDM generally worked well both in shipping files to CERN and shipping them out after FDR running Shipped 18h of FDR-2 RAW data out within <24h, successfully to all Tier-1s and Tier-2s
- From ATLAS Distributed Computing (FDR-II+CCRC08)
 - Known problems :
 - Double files registration
 - The problem never happened in US cloud
 - » Working idea of DQ2 developers that it is in between DQ2 and LFC SW
 - Description
 - » The file is transferred correctly to site and registered in LFC
 - » "Something" goes wrong and the file is replicated again
 - » Another entry in LFC, same GUID, different SURL
 - Delay up to 4h with central catalog update (site replicas info)
 - The problem is understood and fixed
 - Delay up to 2h with start of data replication

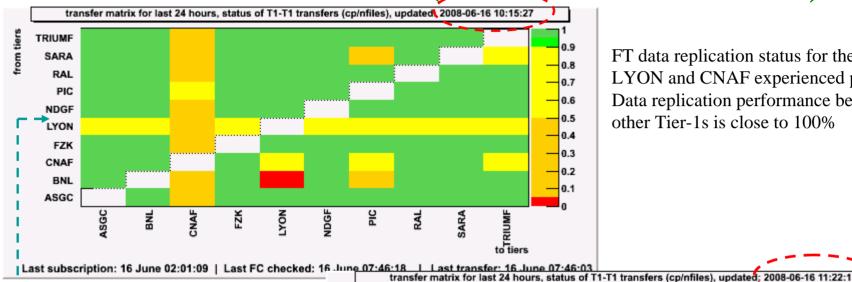
Functional and Throughput Tests

- Starting from 2007 ATLAS Operations runs FT and TT
 - FT was proposed by P.Nevski and A.Klimentov to test system functionality and performance
 - Initially 5 times per year after major SW releases
 - From Jun 2008 : continuously to exercise data transfer
- Test scope
 - » Run data generator at 10% of nominal rate:
 - » Distribute RAW, ESD, AOD according to Computing Model
 - » Tier-0 Tier-1's data transfer
 - » Tier-1-Tier-1's data transfer
 - » Tier-1-Tier-2's data transfer
 - » Subscribe 'calibration' datasets from CERN to 5 Tier-2s + CNAF and BNL
 - » 10 Tier-1s and 60 Tier-2s are participating
 - » Statistics is generated automatically
 - » Exercise Operations shifts

Functional Tests (cont)

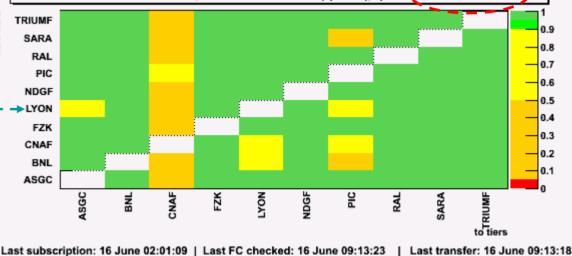


Functional Test ("current" status)



FT data replication status for the last 24h LYON and CNAF experienced problems Data replication performance between other Tier-1s is close to 100%

and 1h later LYON recovered backlog Problem with INFN persists



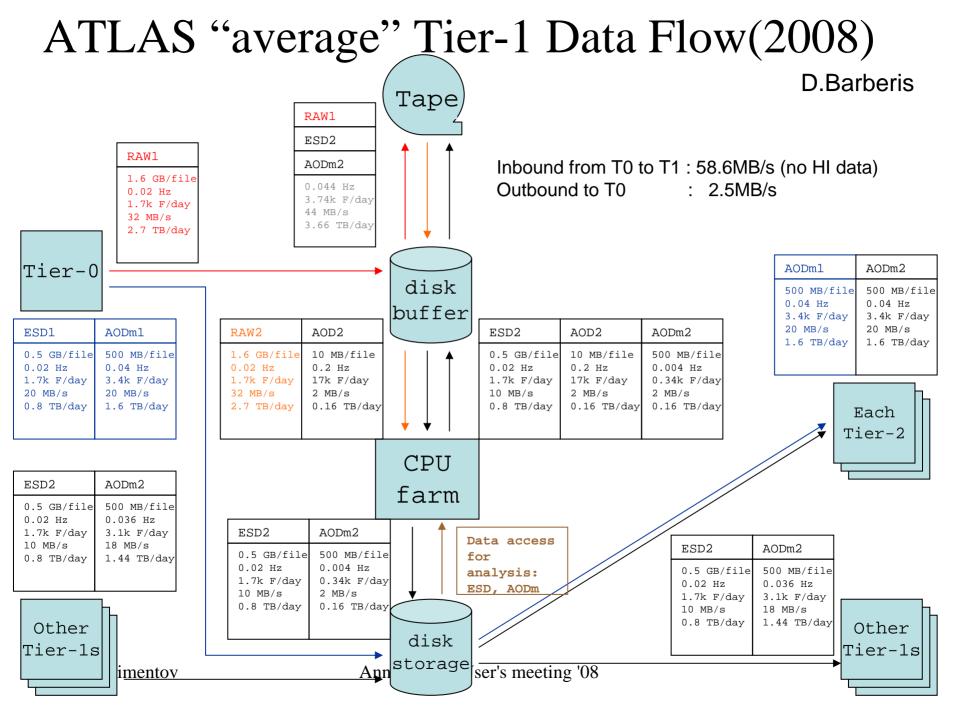
Conclusions

- The data distribution scenario has been tested well beyond the use case for 2008 data taking
- US ATLAS Computing and Networking infrastructure met the experiment's requirements.
- ATLAS DDM Software is stable and met data replication requirements

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BACKUP SLIDES



DQ2 Concepts

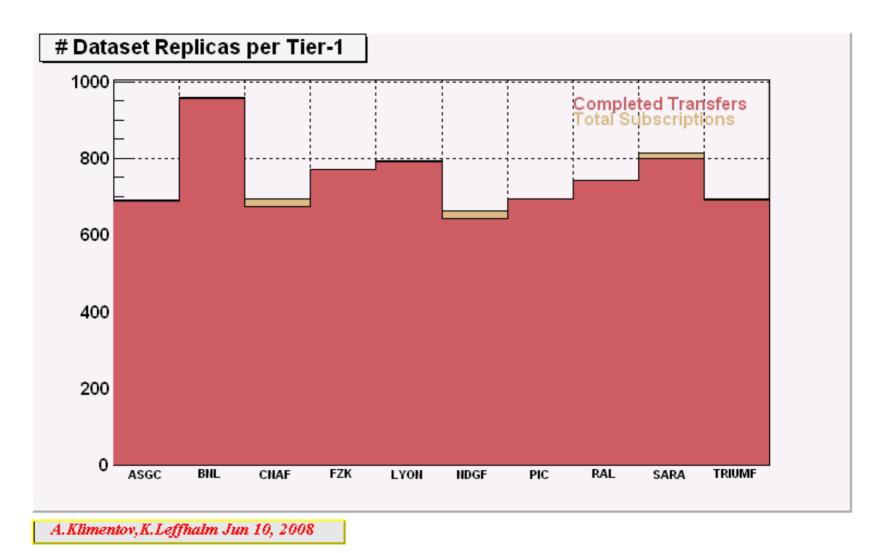
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- an aggregation of data (spanning more than one physical file!), which are processed together and serve collectively as input or output of a computation or data acquisition process.
- Flexible definition:
 - ... can be used for grouping related data (e.g. RAW from a run with a given luminosity)
 - ... can be used for data movement purposes
- Dataset concept is extended to all ATLAS data (MC, DAQ, DB releases, etc)
- 'File':
 - constituent of a dataset
 - Identified by Logical File Name (LFN) and GUID
- 'Site'
 - A computing site providing storage facilities for ATLAS
 - ... which may be a federated site
- 'Subscription'
 - Mechanism to request updates of a dataset to be delivered to a site

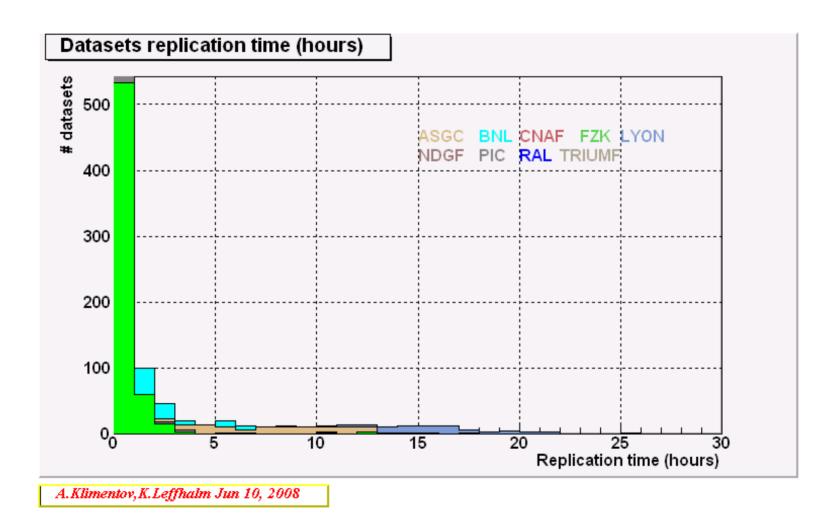
DDM/DQ2 more than just s/w development

- DDM forced the introduction of many concepts, defined in the Computing Model, onto the middleware:
 - ATLAS Association between Tier-1/Tier-2s
 - Distinction between temporary (e.g. disk) and archival (e.g. tape) areas
 - Datasets as the unit of data handling
- Not all ATLAS concepts were originally supported by the GRID middleware.

CCRC08. May 2008 (week 19)



CCRC08 May 2008 (week 19). Replication Processing



DDM Glossary

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Duality and many potential and existing problems are coming form it

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