



Experience of operation the organized grid data analysis using Hyperloop train system



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Heavy-ion experiments

- NA61/Shine at SPS (CERN)
- ALICE at LHC (CERN)
- MPD at NICA (JINR, Dubna)

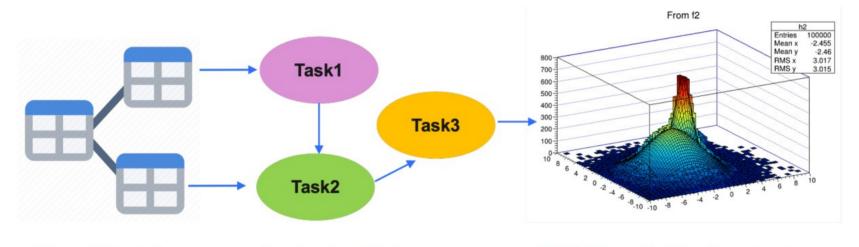
Data storage as ROOT objects

- Array, lists, trees of complicated objects (classes of events, tracks etc)
- Drawbacks: keep dedicated version of analysis software corresponding to the given data format
- Problems software obsolescence, compatibility issues.
- Example: CERN open data (for ex. ALICE, CMS).
 - Data format is too complex
 - You can use only old software provided in virtual machines with obsolete versions of compiler and OS
 - Software will not build under modern OS

Structure of arrays (SoA): Array of structures (AoS) ALICE Run1 data file MPD MC rec file ALICE Run3 data file CMS open data file AliESDs.root 0056490A-0A86-E211-8E72-003048F316A6.root home/vkovalen/alice/retrieve/AO2D.root esdTree;1 MetaData; 🗄 🕞 cbmout;1 AliESDRun DF 2336986335372288:1 ParameterSets;1 EvtHeader AliESDHeader. A IdToParameterSetsBlobs O2nucleitable:1 MpdKalman Track AliESDHeader.AliVHeader 📩 🔀 first 📥 📇 MPDVertex AliESDHeader.AliVHeader.TNamed 🔈 fPt hash_ AliESDHeader.AliVHeader.TObject ... 📇 Vertex 🔈 fEta 📩 🚺 cbegin() AliESDHeader.AliVHeader.fUniqueID . 🧰 Ffd base() 🔈 fPhi AliESDHeader.AliVHeader.fBits 📥 🖂 Tof M_current HasInconsistentHash() TPCInnerParam . 🖰 TOFHit IsDestructed() ... 🛅 TOFMatching 🔥 fBeta . AliESDHeader.AliVHeader.fName base() EMC . 📐 _M_current Sizeof(S fZvertex 🐁 Atoi() Emc . 🛅 crbegin () fDCAxy Atoll() . 🚞 Zdc 📩 🚺 crend() Atof() tDCAz . 🦳 MC 📥 () base () Lapacity() MpdEvent base() 🗄 🚺 Copy() 🗄 📇 BranchList;1 . 📐 _M_current fITSchi2 💃 Data() 🔀 current MCTrack IsAscii() fTPCchi2 size() ... 🗋 fString 🐞 IsAlpha() Iength() EFDPoint 🗽 fFlags 🌉 IsAlnum() 🌺 max_size() IsDigit() . 🗋 fString TPCfindableCls 🌺 capacity() 🌺 IsFloat() TpcPoint TPCcrossedRows . 🌺 empty() b IsHex() TOFPoint IsBin() State of the second sec 🛃 c_str() . 🗋 fString IsOct() 🐁 data()] EmcPoint TPCnCls IsDec() in [] get_allocator()] ZdcPoint IsNull() fITSclusterSizes max_size() IsWhitespace() McordPoint O2nucleitableflow:1 i substr() 🔥 Length() MCEventHeader 🛱 🔂 👘 👘 StrentFV0A 🌺 MaybeRegexp() GeoTracks base() MaybeWildcard() Strent FT0M EventHeader. M_current 📥 🔂 MD5()) MpdTpcDigit Strent FT0A 🖻 📄 cend(Sizeof() TpcCluster 🐁 base() Atoi() StrentFT0C M_current] TpcRecPoint Atoll() fPsiFT0A Atof() TpcKalmanTrack (integin)

O2 Analysis Framework

• General structure of Data processing



Data Model

Analysis Tasks

Interconnected tables Based of Apache Arrows

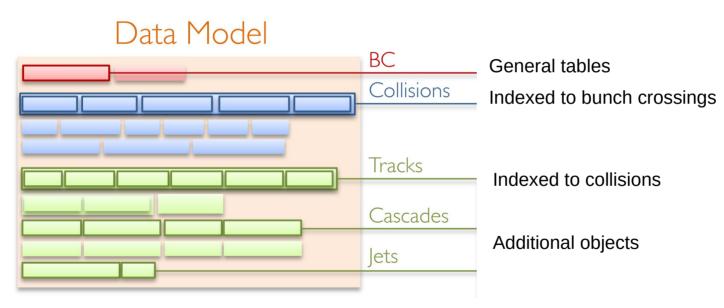
User Tasks workflows~wagons

ROOT serialized output

AnalysisResults.root +AO2Ds (derived data)

O2 Analysis Data Model

Apache Arrow Tables



Each analysis task is an executable \rightarrow All the required are run in command line with pipe "|"

Plenty of Helper tasks \rightarrow Produce required data tables on the fly

User wagons:

Spectra Correlations etc.

Core Service wagons: helpers,

dependencies of user wagons: Centrality Event Selection Multiplicity Timestamp Creator Track Propagation etc. Wagon – analyzer Creates and stores user defined analysis histograms

Wagon – producer

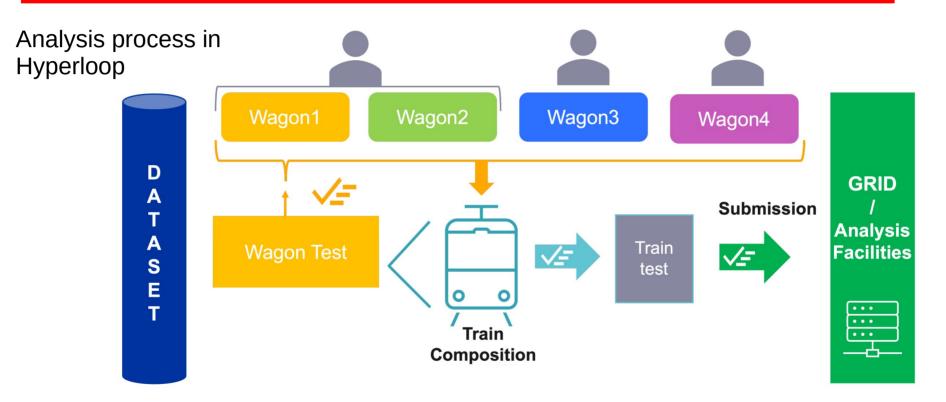
Mostly intended for generation of the derived data, which is used by other wagon or saved into AO2D files

Wagon – reader Analysis of the derived data

Wagon with parent level access Can have access to the parent data

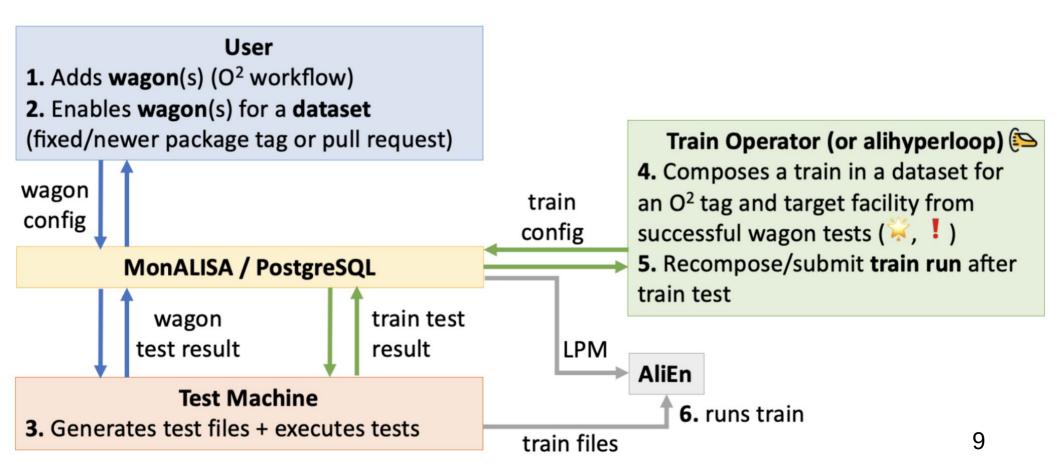
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Hyperloop trains



Config of each wagon is saved and stored in JSON file Configs of all wagons are merged into general train's config

Process to submit hyperloop train



Comparison of Hyperloop trains and LEGO trains (Run 2)



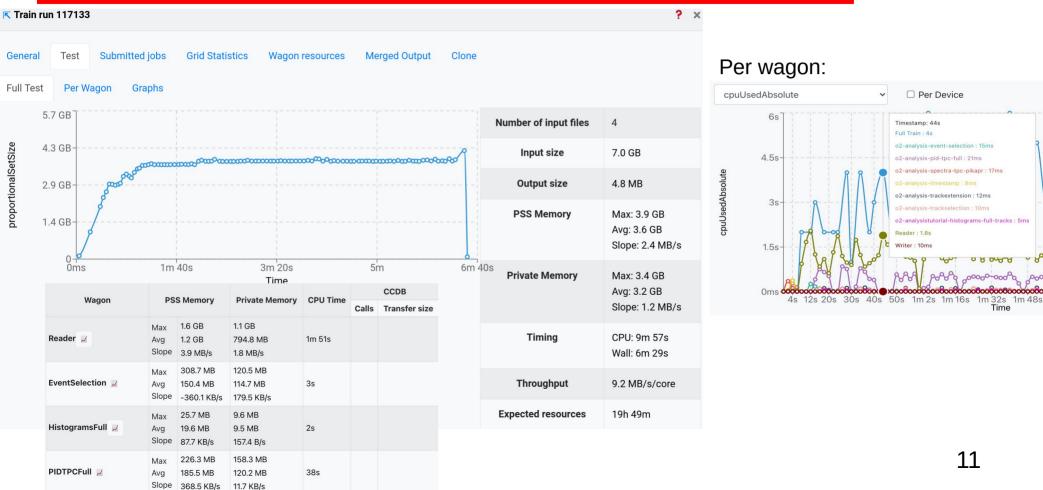
ALICE LEGO train

- Analysis train framework for Run 2
- Analysis code is contained in an AliEn package, AliPhysics, and delivered via CVMFS
- Trains are defined per Physics Working Group (PWG), data type and collision system (~100)
- Analysis tasks (wagons) using the same dataset are run together
- Requires train operators (per PWG) to test, compose and submit train runs
- Main workhorse for Run 2 analysis:
 - 2020: 16 000 trains, 172 million Grid jobs

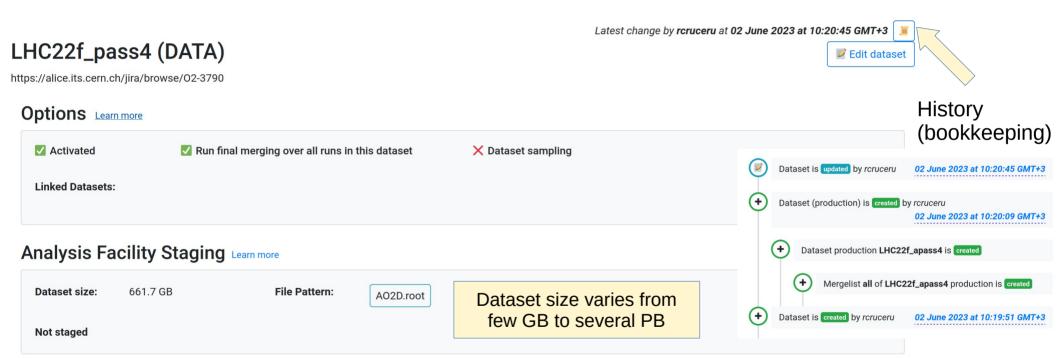


- Analysis train framework for Run 3
- Analysis code is built into O2Physics available on CVMFS
- Advanced web-interface (frontend: React.js)
- Unified trains throughout PWGs
- Personalized user and operator interfaces
- Immediate and automatic wagon test
- Automatic train submission under certain defined conditions
- Wagon and dataset bookkeeping
- Usage in 2023: ~ 9000 trains, 24 mln Grid jobs
 Usage in 2024: ~ 24000 trains, 76 mln Grid jobs
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Wagon and train run test performance results







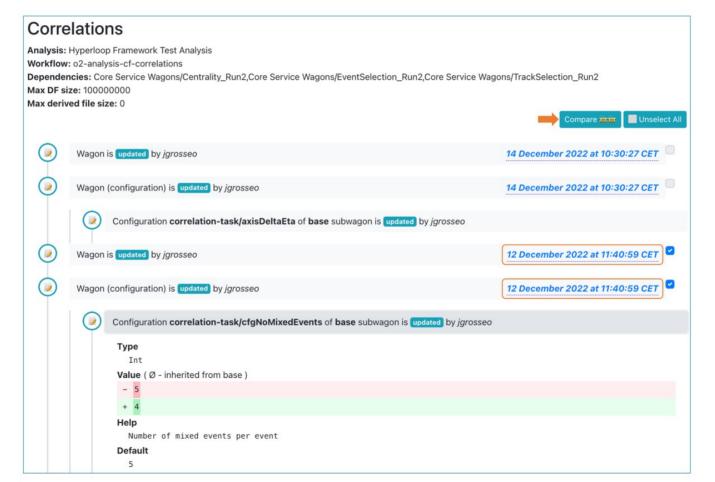
Automatic Train Composition Learn more

Automatic train composition: Scheduled			Maximal CPU time in days: 550				Maximal trains per analysis per week: 14			
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Thursday - 15:00	Friday - 03:00	0 Friday - 15:0	0 Saturday - 03:	00 Saturday - 1	5:00	Sunday - 03:0	00	Sunday - 15:00		

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Bookkeeping

Wagon changelog



Bookkeeping

Wagon comparison at different timestamps

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axisEtaEfficiency	?	Bins: 20, Min: -1, Max: 1		
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Bookkeeping

Train comparison

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2h 29m 26.9s 4h 52m 44.6s

Train duration

Roles of Analyzer and Operator



- Creates and configure wagons
- Runs wagon tests
- Studies test results
- My Analyses
- Makes use of automatic train composition or ask to compose train
- All Analyses
- Studies the resource consumption
- Dashboard
- Stores derived data to be used in subsequent trains
- Makes use of history and statistics views



Train Submission

Train Runs

Datasets

Derived Data

DPG runlists

Trains with issues

- Runs the system on a daily 24/5 basis
- Ensures efficient usage of the

resources

- Follows up on overall system status
- Investigates issues and delegate to experts
- Responds to user requests
- Submits trains to the Grid or AFs
- Manages datasets
- Creates datasets of the derived data

• PWG Convener: approves long trains (> 200 Tb)

Types of the derived data

- <u>Slim derived data</u> (<10GB, single usage, no dataset creation)
- Standard derived data (>50 GB, derived datasets created):
 - Femptoscopic correlation datasets
 - reduced CFCollisions and CFTracks for correlation analysis
 - muon datasets
 - electormagnetic probes datasets (e+ e-)
 - multiplicity studies datasets
 - strangeness
 - etc
- Linked derived datasets:
 - Mostly for heavy flavor usage: indices for HF prongs and vertices of cascade decays
 - To be processed together with the parent dataset

Current status

- Hyperloop is in production since early 2022.
- Run 3 data and MC are available for the analysis.
- All Run 2 data and considerable amount of MC data
- converted to AO2D format and available on Hyperloop
- Operator support on a daily 24/5 basis by four institutional clusters in different timezones
- ~1300 datasets available (including derived data)
- ~450 users of hyperloop system
- \bullet More than 400k wagon tests done, ~52100 trains run on Grid or AF
- The average completion time of the trains is between 8 and 16 hours
- Activity in Hyperloop increased significantly within the last three years

NISER	2:00-9:00 UTC
St. Petersburg / Münster	9:00-13:00 UTC
Brescia/Pavia	13:00-17:00 UTC
US cluster	17:00-1:00 UTC

Analysis in MPD NICA at JINR, Dubna

- Code organized in the central repository mpdroot hosted at gitlab
- Compiled code is distributed via CVMFS, for Centos7 and Rocky Linux 9
- Production data available on several facilities:
 - -- dedicated NICA Cluster with Slurm on board
 - -- HyberLIT computing infrastructure
 - -- "Govorun" supercomputer (named after Nikolay Nikolaevich Govorun)
 - -- Dirac distributed infrastructure (like WLCG) (similar but extended Dirac middleware is used also by LHCb)
 - X509 certificates, VOMS authentication
 - In MPD not for analysis for now, mostly for Monte Carlo production

Analysis trains at MPD NICA at JINR, Dubna

- Analysis Train became a new standard for physics (feasibility) studies in MPD Requirements for the analysis framework:
- Consistency of approaches and results across the collaboration robust crosscheck of the analysis
- Ability to easily implement analysis in the framework modular structure of the software, code standardization
- Easy data storage and reduced number of I/O operations execution of the modules in one sequence

Solution: Analysis Train



First Analysis Train runs started in September 2023 – regular runs on request Continuous development

Formative function of data analysis trains

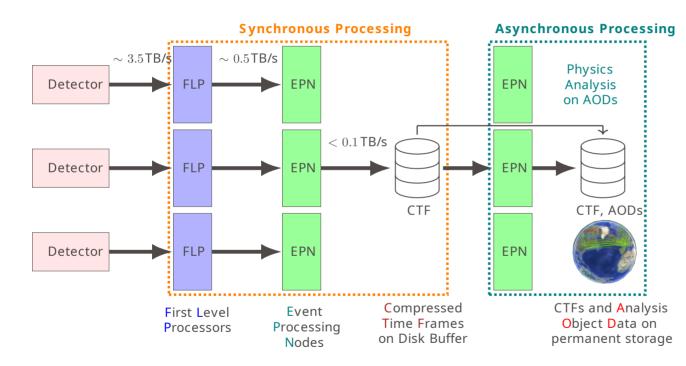
- Organized analysis requires to write the code carefully, compatible with standards, efficiently enough and documented (at least minimally)
- Code has to be committed to the repository, pass automatic checks and be approved by corresponding code owner (PWG convener for example)
- Analyzers has to be disciplined to be ready for the train start, to plan work accordingly (in Hyperloop trains are very regular though, with daily software tag)
- Example: it is possible to process the Run3 data in ALICE as single user, all accesses are granted, but just there is no instruction how to do it.
- users are encouraged to commit their code and run everything as a train. Note more than 50% trains are single user trains in hyperloop currently.

Thank you



Backup

LHC Run 3 challenges of Data Processing



1 month of Pb–Pb data would produce several PB of final AO2Ds

WLCG infrastructure and AliEn framework

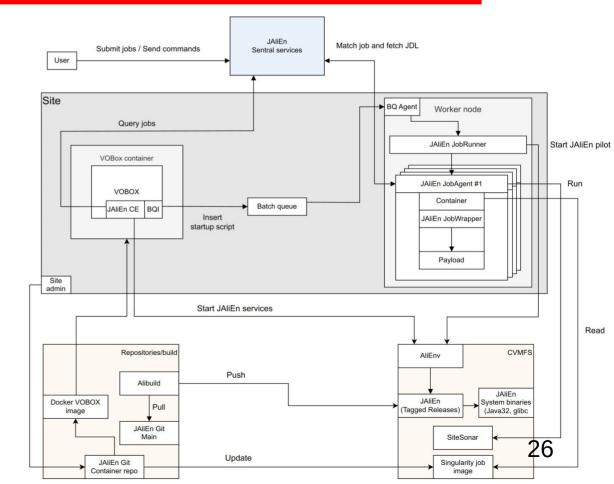
• JAliEn Middleware

Grid Framework - combination of a Web Service and Distributed Agent Model. Data storage and job management.

• CVMFS central repository

ALICE analysis and required supplementary software delivery to run in Grid sites in containers. Integrated with build system for continuous deployment.

- Analysis software:
 - User
 - Centralized (Trains)
 - Data and MC production



Analysis in JINR DIRAC

Dirac usage (2023)

Experiment	First usage	Jobs	Consumed	Consumed	Data gener-
		done	CPU, HS06	Walltime	ated, TB
			days		
MPD	Aug 2019	1.07 M	5.47 M	840 years	330
Baikal-GVD	Oct 2020	123000	590 k	90 years	40
F@H	May 2020	13000	137 k	23 years	n/a
BM@N	Jul 2021	22000	170 k	30 years	18
SPD	Nov 2021	20000	78 k	18 years	43

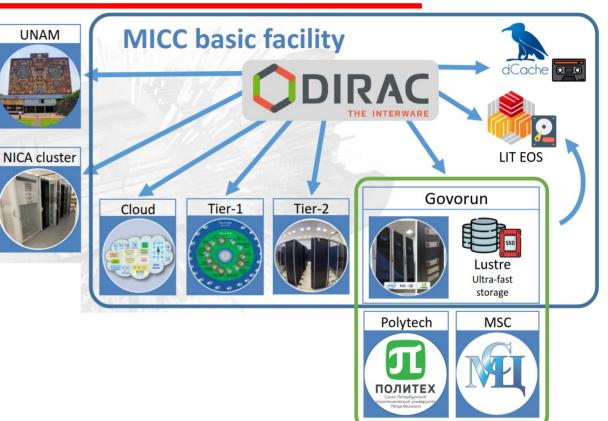
Table 1: Overview of all DIRAC users

Vladimir Korenkov et al 2023 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 2438 012029

Analysis in JINR DIRAC

- NICA offline cluster 300 cores (limit for users)
- GOVORUN up to 3260 cores
- Tier1 1400 cores
- Tier2 1000 cores
- Clouds (JINR and Member States) 70 cores+
- UNAM (Mexico University) 100 cores
- National Research Computer Network of Russia (now resources from SPBTU and JSCC) 672 cores New resource

File Catalog have size 2,3 PB.



National Research Computer Network of Russia

max 3500 simultaneous jobs

HNATIC Slavomir https://indico.jinr.ru/event/3505/contributions/22209

Data types to process

- MC True only data
- MC Reconstructed + MC True data
- Real data RAW
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- Derived data: MC True+Rec
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Data storage (packing) ↔ Analysis framework

- Old school: Fortran dominates
 - PAW (Physics Analysis Workstation) 1986
- CERN Root 1995 (René Brun, Fons Rademakers)
 - command line C++ interpreter (CINT in version 5, cling in version 6)
 - Object-oriented
 - Encapsulation, inheritance, polymorphism
 - ROOT's C++ object serialization: from memory to disk and back

CERN ROOT C++ since 6.0 version

• Switch from Cint to Cling

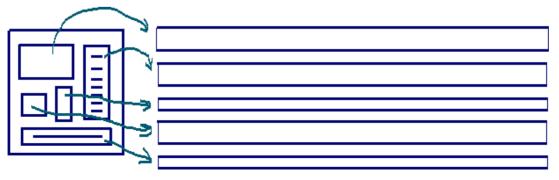
- More stable, more compatible with C++
- Compatibility with modern standards C++11/14
- Since then compatibility with new standards is ensured
- Write code in ROOT using C++ syntax vs write C++ code using ROOT as a library

Data storage: AoS or SoA

• Array of structures (AoS)



• Structure of arrays (SoA):



Data storage: AoS or SoA

• Array of structures (AoS) – mostly all LHC Run 1+2 data



- Context switches in processing, memory access not effective
- Parallelization not effective
- Long-term storage has problems, compatibility issues

Data storage: AoS or SoA

• Structure of arrays (SoA): - LHC Run 3 data at ALICE (AO2D)



- Uniform objects to read
- Memory access effective
- Parallelization is effective
- Good flexibility in replacement and combining data