



Short CSCS Tier-2 status for RDCCG-TAB Meeting Sep 26th 2008

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CSCS Tier-2 hardware



- Present WN + Storage Hardware
 - 50 SUN X2200 blade servers with 2 QC Opt 8216 (2.4GHz)
 - 400 cores \Rightarrow ca. 700 kSI2k
 - 12 SUN X4500 "Thumpers" with 24TB of raw storage each
 - ~ 210 TB of RAID/Z (5) storage offered through dCache
- Octobre 2008 upgrade will lead to a total of
 - 60 SUN X2200 blade servers with 4 QC Opt 8356 (2.3GHz)
 - 960 cores, 2GB RAM/core ⇒ ca. 1680 kSI2k
 - 29 SUN X4500 "Thumpers" with 24TB of raw storage each
 - ~ 510 TB of RAID/Z (5) storage offered through dCache
- Planned Fall of 2009 upgrade
 - + 50 blade servers ⇒ ca. 3000 kSI2k for total cluster
 - + 23 storage servers ⇒ ca. 900 TB storage for total cluster
 - Application for required funds is now ongoing (must be done yearly)



Terse CSCS Tier-2 status



- Serving ATLAS, CMS, LHCb
- No major problems during this year, but
 - Too many downtimes due to MW upgrades. Since MW is still too stupid to propagate job times to local queueuing system, this means downtime + max queue time of real downtime.
 - Storage requirements, specific VO usage modes + dCache quirks lead to misunderstandings and lots of work with not enough centrally coordinated help (example configurations).
 - Challenges were very useful, but not all VOs made substantial usage of the resources (only CMS fully exercised CPU + storage intensively during CCRC08).
 - Still looking for additional staff members
- Built up / enlarged a number of Tier-3s this year and intensified T2-T3 collaboration (Geneva, Bern, PSI)
- More information: https://twiki.cscs.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCGTier2/WebHome