

Using the Grid for the ILC

Mokka and Marlin on the Grid ILC Software Meeting, Cambridge 2006

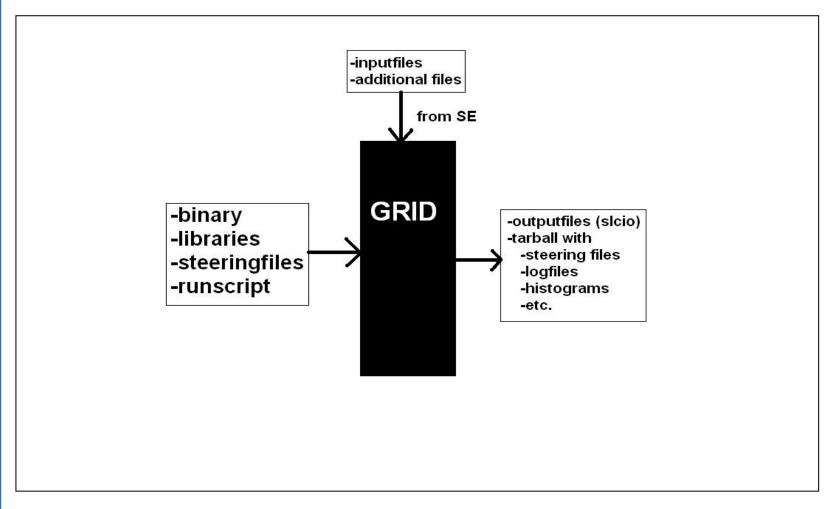


Motivation

- MC-Simulations are essential for analysis tool development and optimization studies
- "Divide and Conquer"-strategy speeds up computing
- Combining multiple computing environments into one array of computercenters is called a Grid
- In contrast to batch farms a Grid is NOT a regional computing facility
- All activities on a Grid are done via a "Grid Middleware", therefore different systems can be combined with a common interface.
- The resulting computing capabilities are more powerful than any single batch system.



How things work





Mokka & Marlin

- Binaries and inputfiles are on SE
- Steeringfiles are generated locally and send at job-submission
- Outbound connectivity required (DB)
- G4 Datasets on SE
- Output:
 - tarball with slcio, steering- and logfile

- Needed libraries in tarball on SE
- Output:
 - reconstructed slcio-file
 - tarball with log- and steeringfile
- Easy to get other sofware working on the GRID



Runscript

- Display some info about WN
- Copy all necessary files from SE onto WN
- Set environment
- Run binary (either Mokka or Marlin)
- Put outputfiles on SE



Status (Mokka)

- Mokka was successfully tested
 - 10k Z0pole events took ~8hours (10 jobs á 1000evt)
 - 1k ttbar events took ~9hours (10 jobs á 100evts)
- Events for 8 different detector configurations are on Grid Storage.
- Files are available by our Online Database at ilcsoft.desy.de



Status (Marlin)

- Marlin was also successfully tested
 - 10k Zpole events took ~8hours (1 job)
- Reconstructed events for all simulated events are on GRID Storage.
- There are files with all different reconstruction chains
- Not yet available via our database



Available data

Simulated data for:

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- e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> -> ttbar (3000evts)
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 $- e^+e^- -> W^+W^-$ (3000evts)

 $- e^+e^- -> cb$ (3000evts)

- e^+e^- -> dus (3000evts)

- $e^+e^- -> Zh(120)$ (3000evts)
- Available at 500GeV and 1TeV
- Additionally there are files at ZPole (10k evts).
- 8 different detector configurations



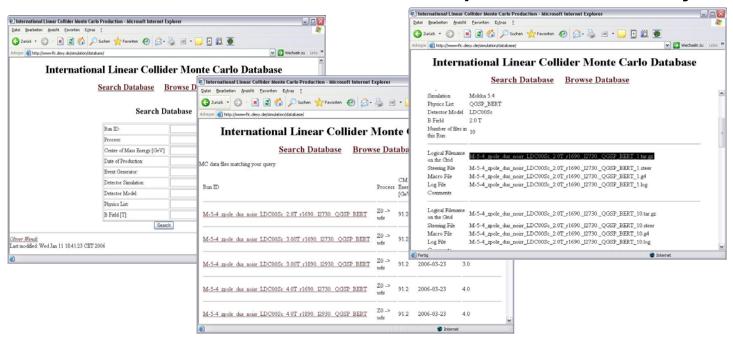
How to access the data

- Requirements:
 - access to a machine with LCG-software package installed or SL-installation and access to afs (see grid.desy.de)
 - valid grid-certificate for the VO "ilc"
 - LFN from MC-Database



How to access the data (cont.)

- Browse our database at http://ilcsoft.desy.de



Get the LFNs for the files you're interested in



How to access the data (cont.)

- Use LCG-Commands to retrive files from storage
 - lcg-cp --vo ilc lfn:{LFNfromDB} file:{absolute path}



Summary & Outlook

- Using the GRID is a promising way for simulation and reconstruction (fast, reliable & easy to use)
- Mokka & Marlin are working fine on the grid
- ~500GB of data were simulated beginning of 2006
- Reconstruction of this data in 2 different chains was done quite fast
- Visit http://grid.desy.de for more information