Database Services During Run2

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Outline

- Status, evolution and readiness for RUN 2 of Oracle database services
- DB on Demand service
- Scale-out Databases on HADOOP





Oracle Database Services – Evolution in LS1

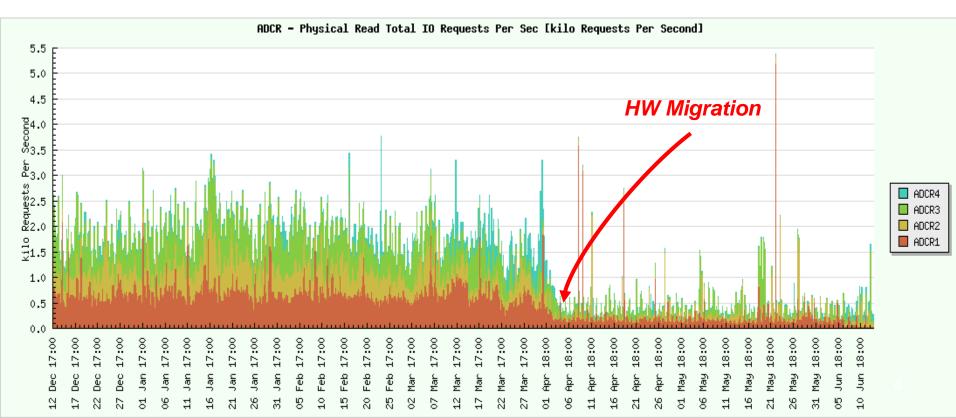
- Software upgrades
 - Upgraded Oracle version for all DBs
 - Moved to RHEL6 and puppet
- Hardware upgrades
 - New generation of servers and storage
 - Production now in the BARN (critical power)
 - Disaster-recovery from Safehost to Wigner
- SW upgrades have combined with HW move
 - Has allowed to reduce downtime and risk



New Servers – More Capacity

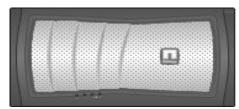
New DB servers have more memory

- From 48GB -> to 128GB / 256GB
- Beneficial for performance of transactional workloads
- Also increased CPU capacity (N# cores from 8 to 16)



Storage Evolution: Increased Capacity and Performance





	NetApp FAS3240 (OLD)	NetApp FAS8060 (NEW)
NVRAM	1.0 GB	8.0 GB
System memory	8GB	64GB
CPU	1 x 64-bit 4-core 2.33 Ghz	2 x 64-bit 8-core 2.10 Ghz
SSD layer (maximum)	512GB	8TB
Aggregate size	180TB	400TB
OS controller	Data ONTAP® 7-mode	Data ONTAP® C-mode*



Notable Software Changes

- Oracle version evolution
 - Production upgraded to Oracle 11.2.0.4
 - Proven to be a stable version, smooth upgrades
 - 12.1.0.2 is the latest available version
 - Currently upgrading 12.1.0.1 DBs to this release
 - Oracle has announced the next release, 12.2, for 2016
- PVSS upgrades
 - Upgraded all WINCC/PVSS schemas to latest version 8.9 CERN 1.2



Notable New Oracle DB Services

QPSR

- Quench Protection System
- WinCC/PVSS data, sustained rate ~150 K rows/second
- IM rows/second peak achieved during stress testing
- Performance of the new HW instrumental to achieve this

SCADAR

- Consolidated WinCC/PVSS archive repository
- Will store ~50K rows/second (may increase in the future)
- the data retention varies depending on the application (from a few days to 5 years)



Replication Evolution

- Technology evolution:
 - Conditions replication to Atlas Tier 1 sites now uses Golden Gate
 - Replication from online to offline DBs
 - Active Data Guard
 - Some reaming use of streams set to phase out
- See also
 - "Evolution of Database Replication Technologies for WLCG", CHEP Monday 13/4 at 14:15



Some Important Trends for Transactional Databases

- Server capacity is growing fast also for commodity HW
 - Large increase in available memory
 - SSD storage becoming more affordable
 - Servers have increasing CPU power (typically more cores)
- Opportunities
 - Consolidation: reduce HW and management costs
 - Review of application architectures
 - More and more DB workloads fit into server memory
 - Opportunity to reduce complexity in favour of simpler architectures



CERN Oracle Databases have run successfully in RUN1

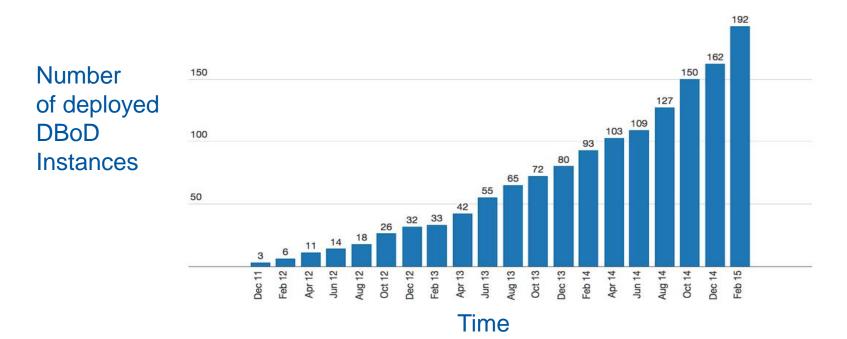
- ~100 Oracle databases, most of them RAC
 - ~500 TB of data files for production DBs in total
 - Used for physics, IT, accelerators, administration
- Oracle is feature-rich
 - Enterprise class DB
 - Solutions for high availability, disaster recovery, backup, monitoring, replication, proven for concurrent transactional processing
 - Oracle DBAs available for consultancy





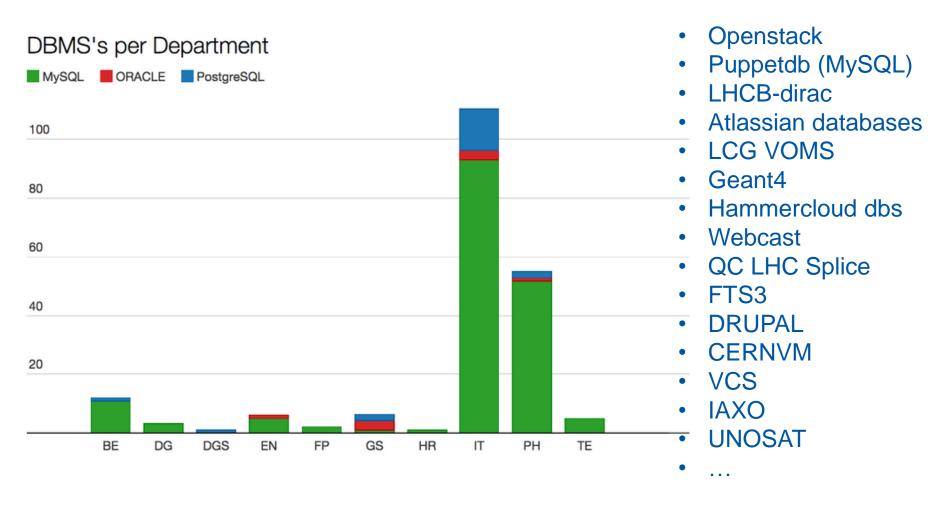
DB on Demand

- Self-service for provisioning, management, backup
 - The number of deployed instances is growing
 - MySQL (85%), PostgreSQL (10%) and Oracle (5%)





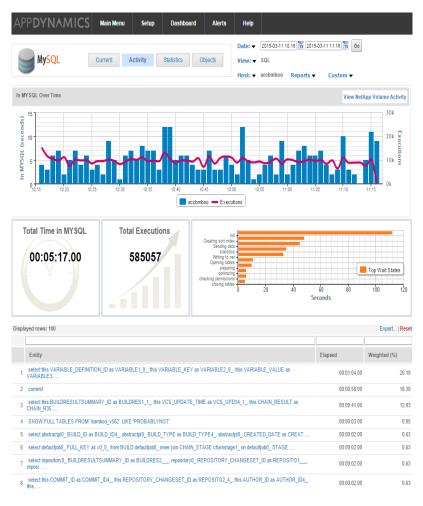
Additional Stats for DBoD





DBoD new monitoring tool

- Appdynamics
- Allows DBoD users to troubleshoot
 performance problems
 with a GUI interface





DBoD Evolution

- Completed:
 - Migration to new HW (servers and storage)
 - Migration to CERN Agile Infrastructure
 - High Availability cluster solution based on Oracle
- Plans for 2015:
 - Automation: instance creation, storage, puppet...
 - Reduce waiting time to obtain your instance
 - Cloning
 - Backups verification
 - Test schema/DBMS upgrades
 - Replication: MySQL & PostgreSQL
 - Business continuity and data protection
 - Upgrades: Oracle 12.1, MySQL 5.6.x, PostgreSQL 9.3.x
- See also: CHEP poster "Database on Demand" by Ruben Gaspar Aparicio and Ignacio Coterillo



Support Levels in RUN 2

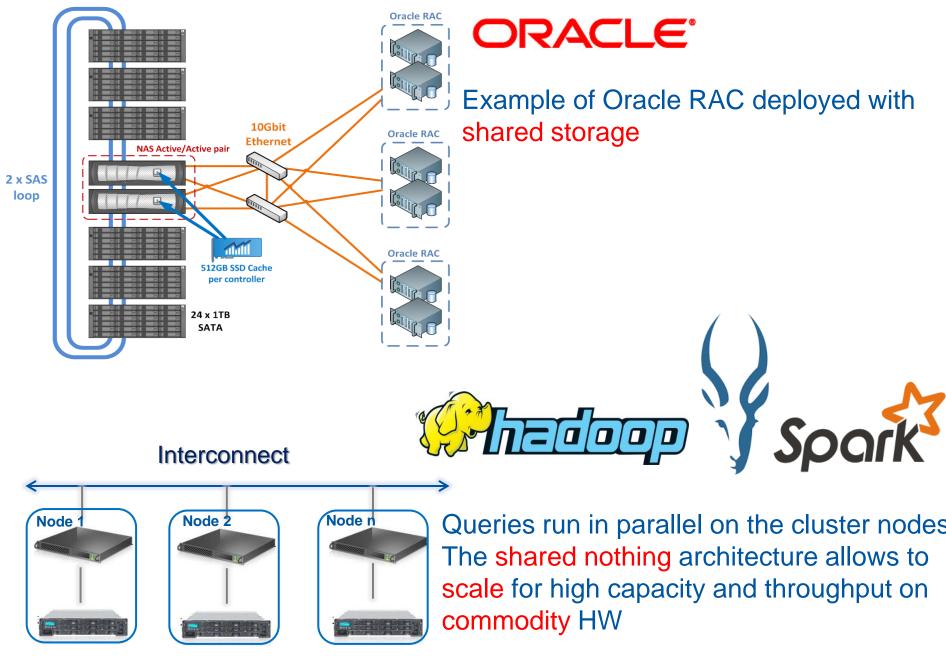
- Oracle Database Service support
 - 24/7 CERN piquet in Run 1
- A review has been made with the experiments for Run2
 - Oracle piquet support will start mid May 2015
 - We will then re-evaluate in 2016 if needed
- DB-on-demand services have grown from being "nice to have" to being essential to both experiment and Grid services
 - New management interface and monitoring with AppDynamics
 - A best effort SLA will be provided for a number of critical databases, details to be announced later in 2015



Scale-out Databases

- Scale-out, shared-nothing architectures have appeared and are quickly growing in adoption
 - Performance and low-cost
 - Back-end: HADOOP or DB-specific
 - Engine on top of HADOOP cluster
- Useful for
 - Data warehousing, reporting, analytics workloads
 - Ex: Logging systems, controls dashboards, auditing, archives





Hadoop Ecosystem and Databases

- It's a full ecosystem, many components
 - HDFS provides the shared-nothing scalability
 - Specialized data formats for
 - compression, partitioning and column-oriented storage
 - Query engines
 - Declarative (SQL) Impala, Spark SQL, Hive
 - Imperative: Yarn/Map Reduce, Spark
 - Loading tools also important (sqoop, flume, ..)



Offloading Data into HADOOP

- We are building HADOOP-based systems for offloading resource-intensive queries
 - Controls data (PVSS) write once read-many
 - Accelerator log DB is now 200 TB + 90 TB/year
 - Offline database for SCADA (EN controls)
- Analytics: working with CMS on popularity
- Projects in collaboration IT-DB and IT-DSS
- See also CHEP poster "Scale out database for CERN use cases" Z. Baranowski et al.



Conclusions

- Oracle database services
 - Proven and stable infrastructure and support levels
 - Hardware refresh and software upgrades during LS1
- Database on demand services
 - Established platform and growing fast
 - Offer MySQL, PostgreSQL and Oracle services
- HADOOP-based databases
 - For data warehouse, reporting and analytics
 - First results very promising, more development in progress
- Many thanks to the experiments, application DBAs and Tier 1 DBAs for their help and collaboration

