



# Vue d'ensemble des services de calcul et de stockage au CCIN2P3

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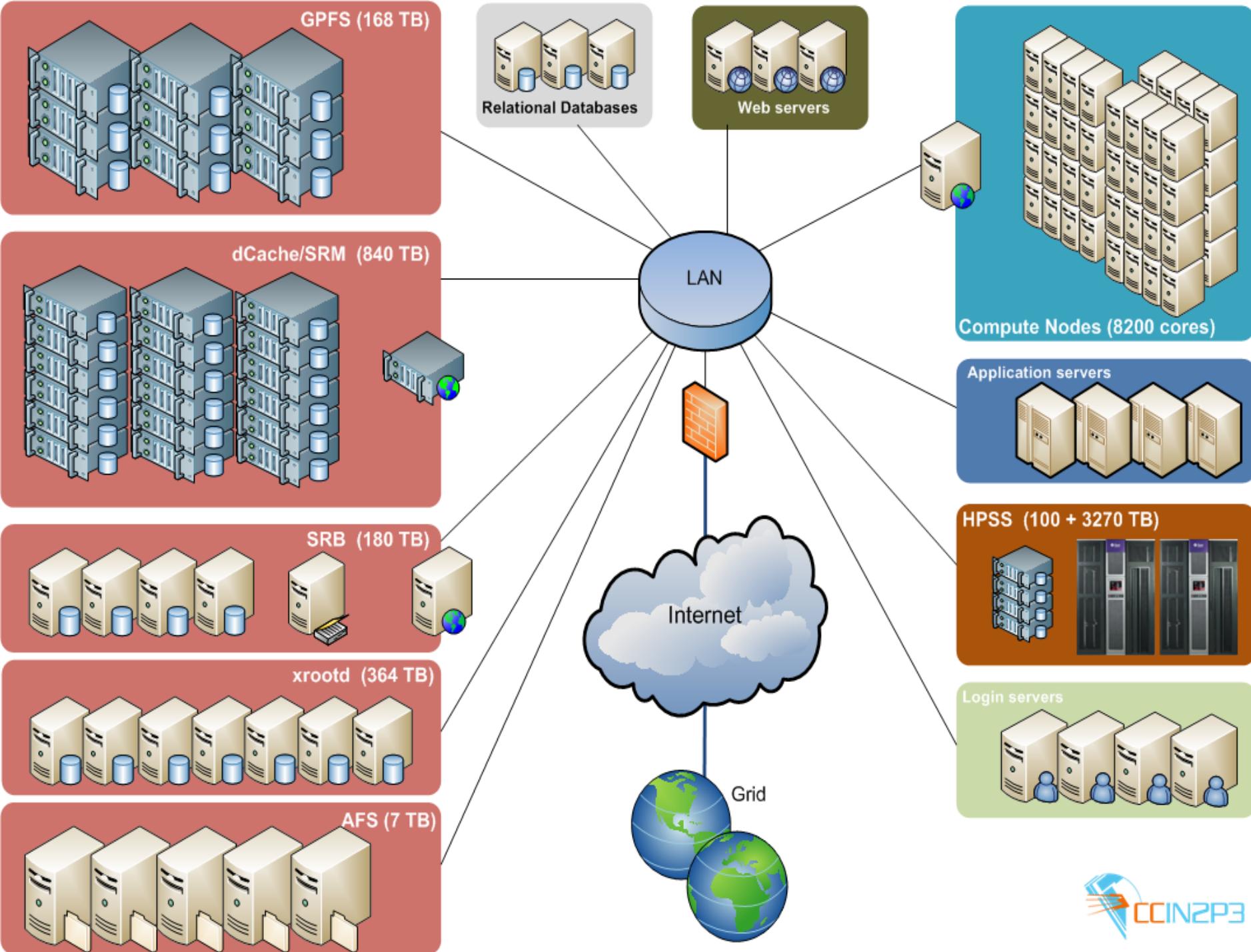


- Objectifs
  - Présenter une vue d'ensemble des services proposés par le CCIN2P3 aux expériences
  - Affiner notre compréhension des besoins en infrastructure de calcul et de stockage pour l'analyse des données

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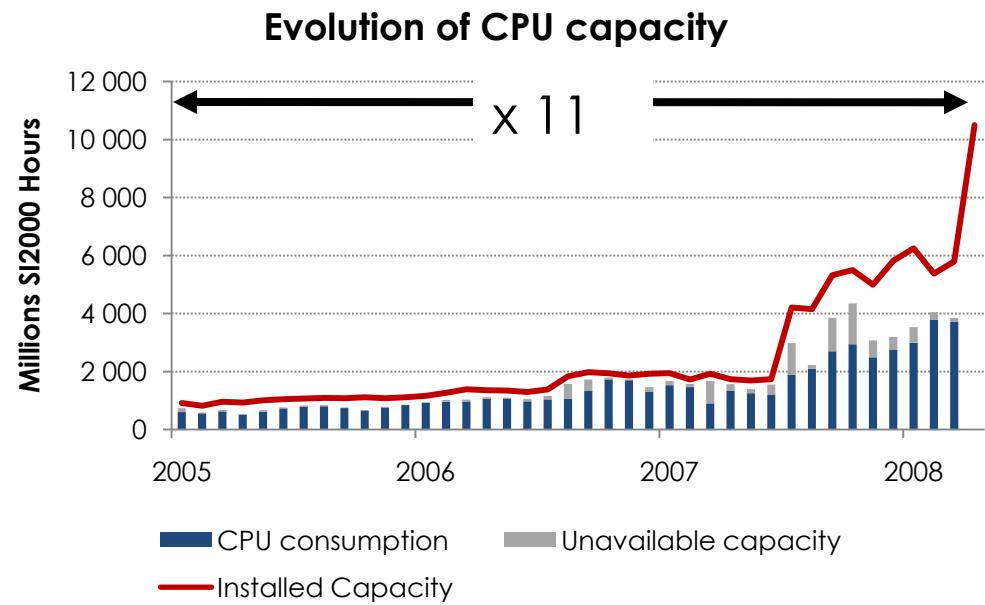
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# Service de calcul batch

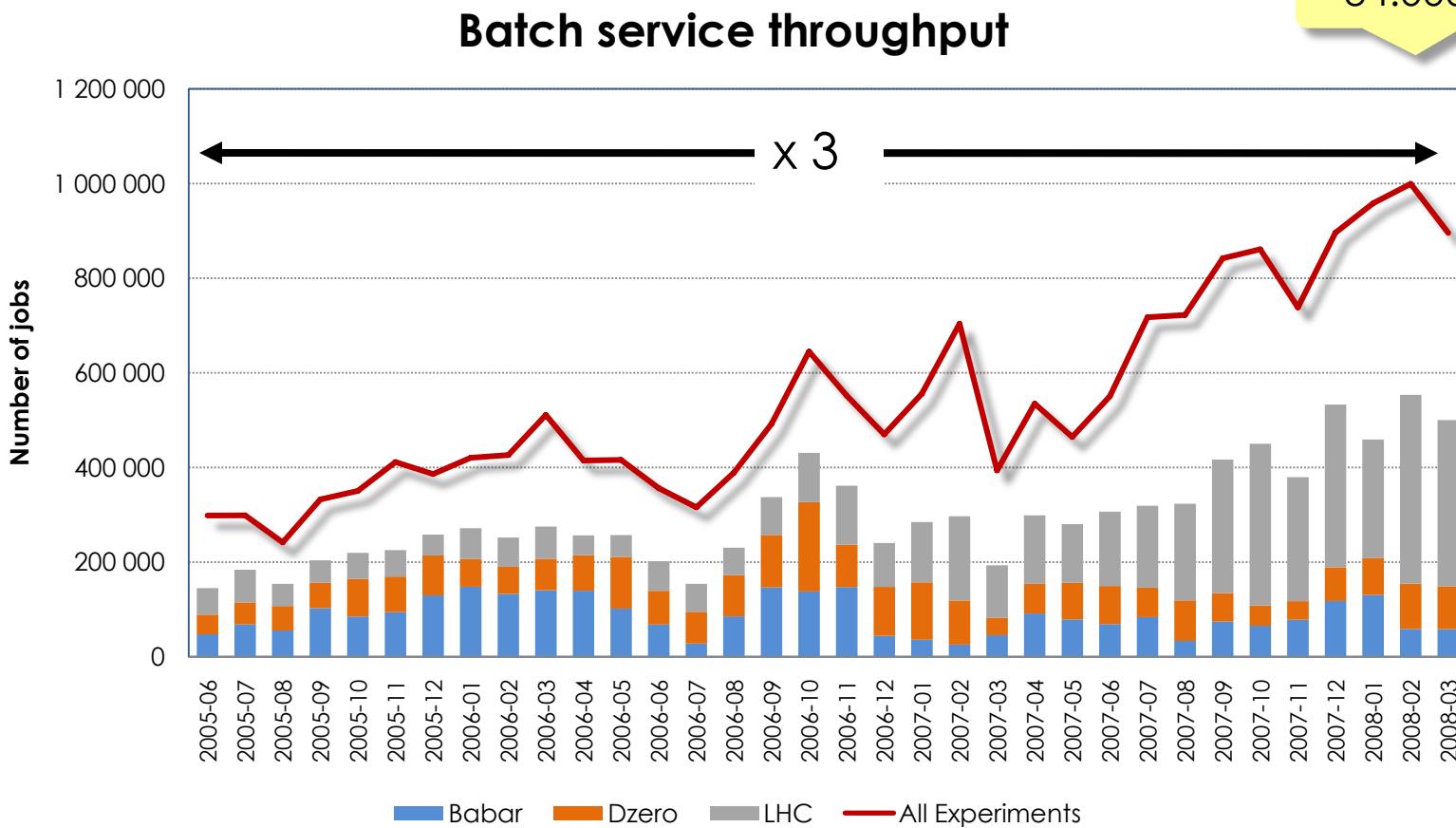


- 2 fermes utilisables par toutes les expériences supportées
  - **Anastasie**
    - Généraliste
    - 1192 machines, 8216 coeurs
    - Puissance: 14 M SI2000
  - **Pistoo**
    - Jobs parallèles
    - 50 machines, 304 coeurs
    - Puissance: 0,4 M SI2000



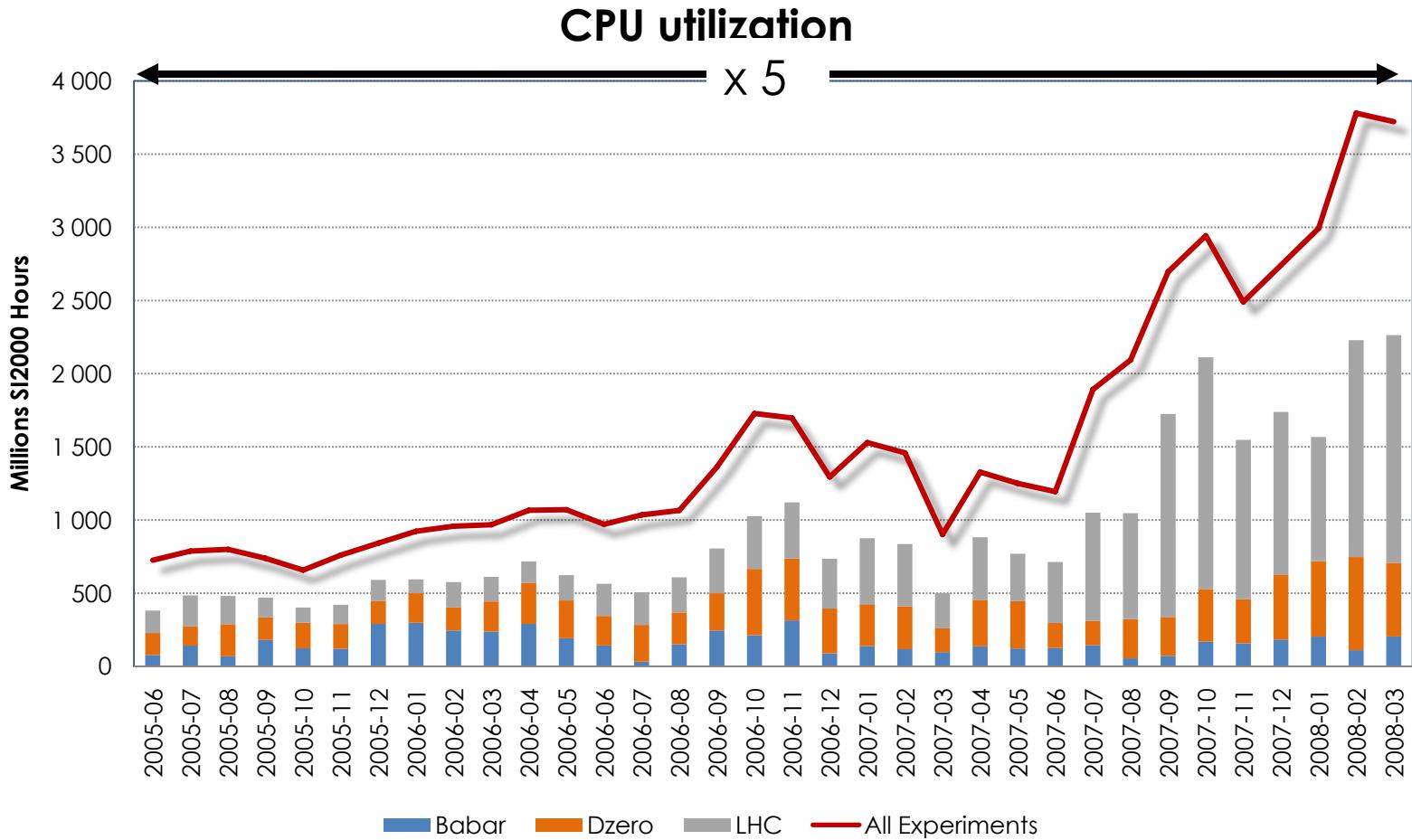
Tient compte  
des 400  
machines en  
cours de mise en  
exploitation

# Service de calcul batch (suite)



34.000 jobs/jour

# Service de calcul batch (suite)



# Data storage services



- Personal and group files
  - AFS (Andrew File System)
    - Networked file system for individual and group files, experiment software, software areas of (grid) virtual organisations and system software (compilers, public domain and commercial software, ...)
    - POSIX interface
    - Origin: Transarc, then IBM, then community (OpenAFS)

# Data storage services (cont.)



- Data files
  - SRB (Storage Resource Broker)
    - Middleware to aggregate into a hierarchical common name space files physically stored on heterogeneous multi-organizational storage systems (file, tape, etc.)
    - SRB presents the user with a single file hierarchy for data distributed across multiple storage systems (local or remote)
    - Access protocol: proprietary client commands and API
    - Origin: San Diego Supercomputing Center

# Data storage services (cont.)



- Data files (cont.)

- **GPFS**

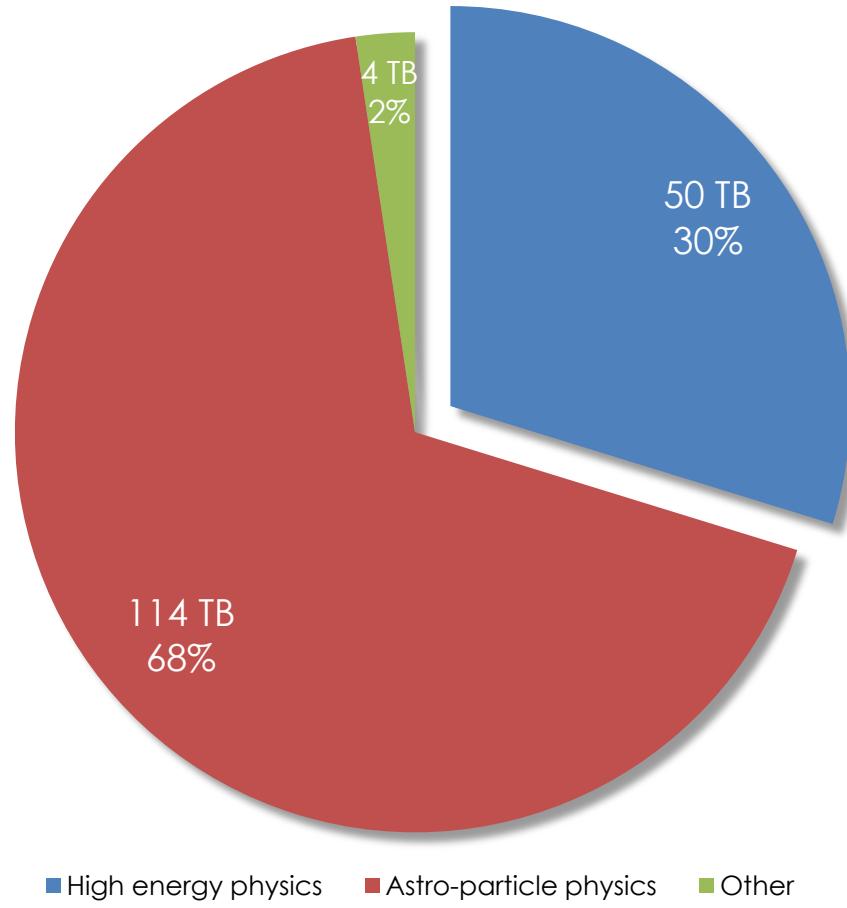
- Networked file system, designed for high-performance *intra-site* highly concurrent access
    - Used for medium-term storage of data which primary copy is or should be elsewhere (for instance, tape)
      - Distributed (over several servers) and shared (by several users and by all compute nodes) disk working space
      - Files under /sps namespace are managed by GPFS
    - POSIX interface
    - Origin: IBM



# /sps allocation



## /sps - Allocation as of March 2008



Total allocation:  
168 TB

Used space:  
138 TB (69 M files)

Source: <http://ccspmon.in2p3.fr/fi>

# Data storage services (cont.)



- Data files (cont.)
  - GPFS (cont.)
    - *Chunk size (unit of exchange between compute node and file server): 1MB*
      - As a consequence, accessing small blocks of data (e.g. 16K) is not efficient
    - *The (high) number of files makes some meta-data operations expensive*
    - *Mechanisms for space management*
      - Quotas: per user (individual) or groups (experiments)
      - Access control and delegation: ACLs not as flexible as the AFS' ones – extended POSIX interface
    - *Home-grown mechanisms of disk space housekeeping available on experiment's demand*

# Data storage services (cont.)



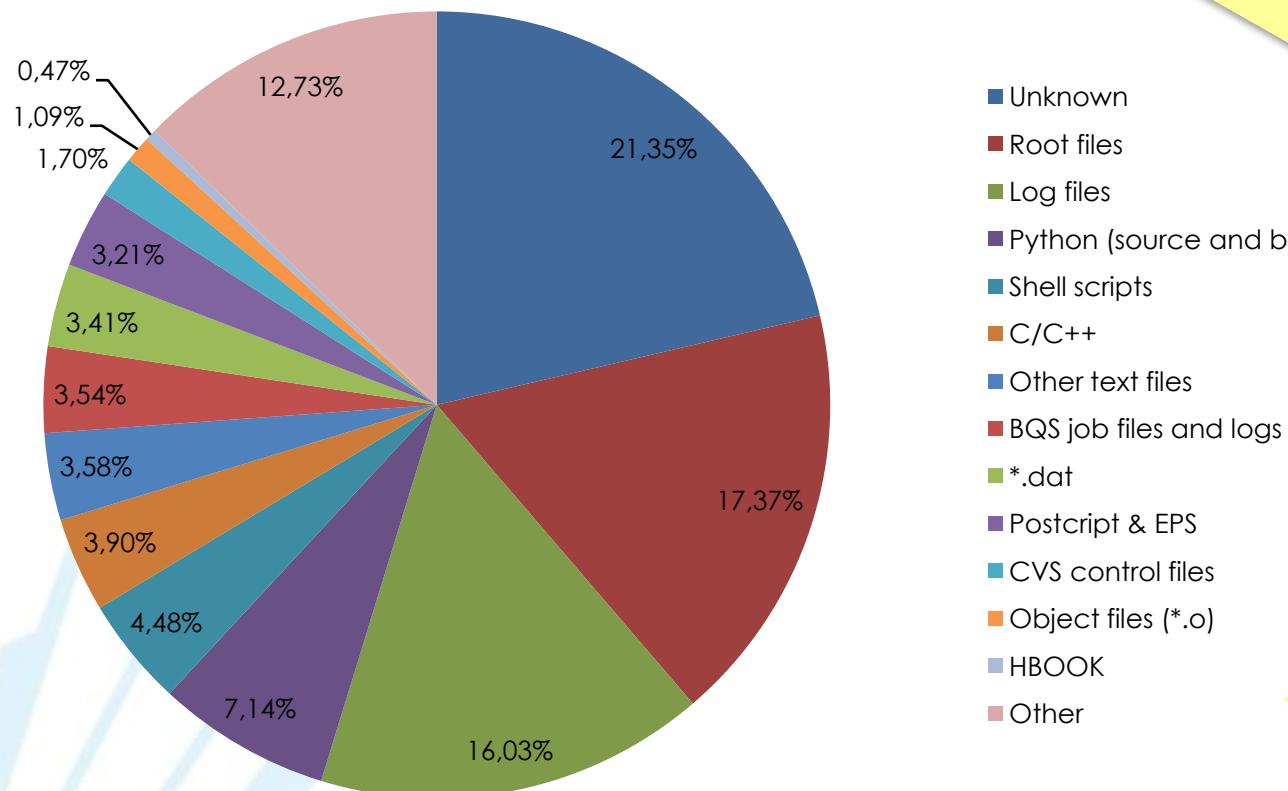
- Data files (cont.)
  - GPFS (cont.)
    - *Planned capacity increase in 2008: additional 640 TB*
      - Some additional restrictions: unit of space allocation becomes 4TB for an efficient usage of the selected hardware
    - *Expected availability in production: mid-May*
    - You can check your experiment usage of GPFS at
      - <http://ccspmon.in2p3.fr/>



# Usage of /sps by HEP experiments



Type of files in /sps - HEP experiments  
(% of number of files)



12M files stored in /sps by HEP experiments

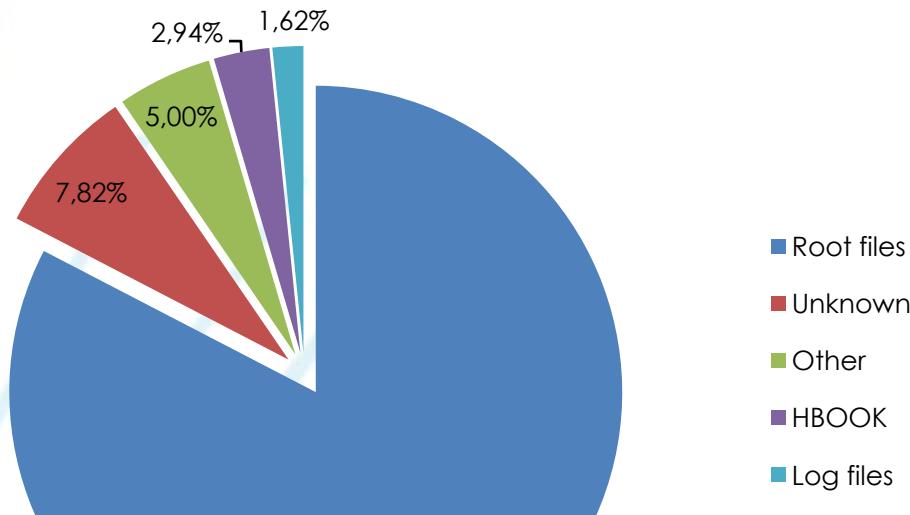
/sps is used to store a large variety of file types

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# Usage of /sps by HEP experiments (cont.)



Type of files in /sps - HEP experiments  
(% of used space)



82% of the space used by HEP experiments is taken by ROOT files

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# Data storage services (cont.)



- Data files (cont.)
  - Xrootd (a.k.a. Scalla)
    - Designed for low latency high-bandwidth (byte-level) data access
    - Federation of several file servers into a common namespace
    - Designed to be efficient for random access of (relatively) small chunks of data in a fault-tolerant way
    - Proprietary POSIX-like API (ROOT-enabled)
    - Origin: SLAC

# Data storage services (cont.)

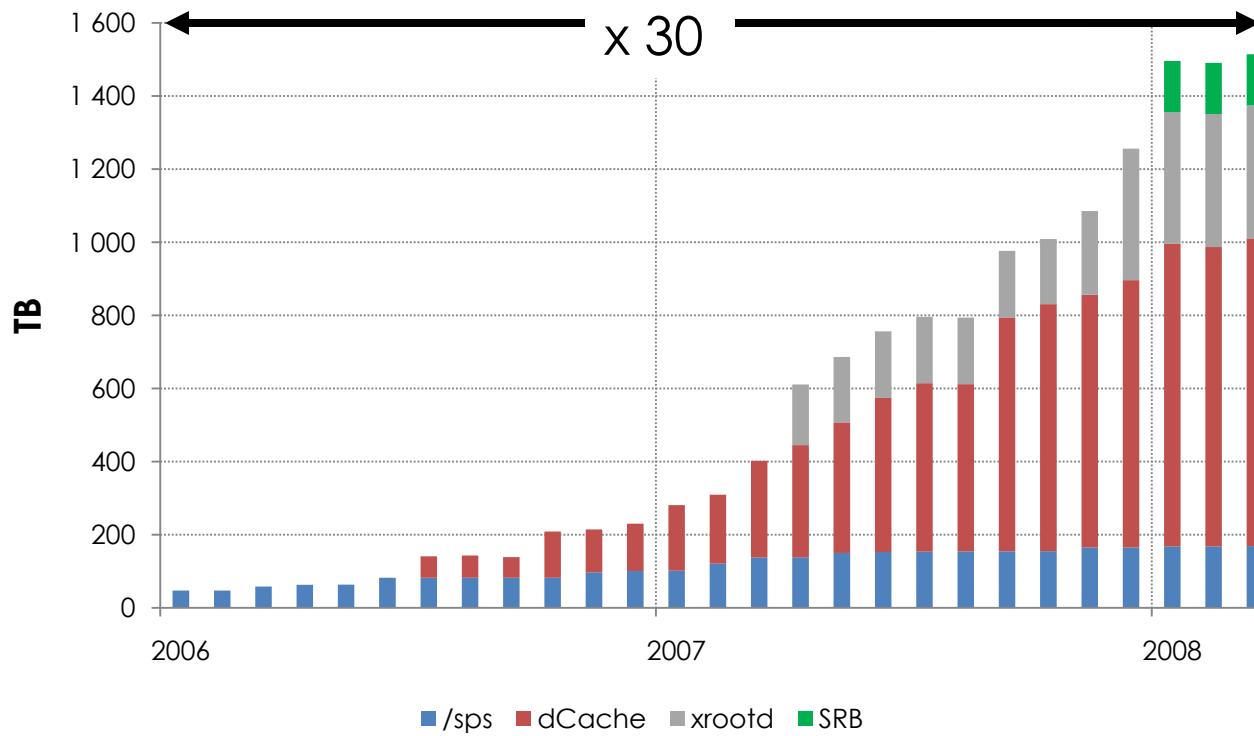


- Data files (cont.)
  - dCache/SRM
    - System for storage and retrieval of data, distributed among a large number of heterogeneous server nodes, under a single virtual filesystem tree with a variety of standard access methods
    - Features: space management, pool attraction, dataset replication, hot spot determination and recovery from disk or node failures
    - Implements the SRM interface
      - Required for every storage element of the EGEE/LCG grid
    - Interfaced to the site's mass storage system (HPSS)
    - Origin: DESY and Fermilab

# Stockage sur disque

## Disk-based storage services

*Evolution of installed capacity*



Notes:

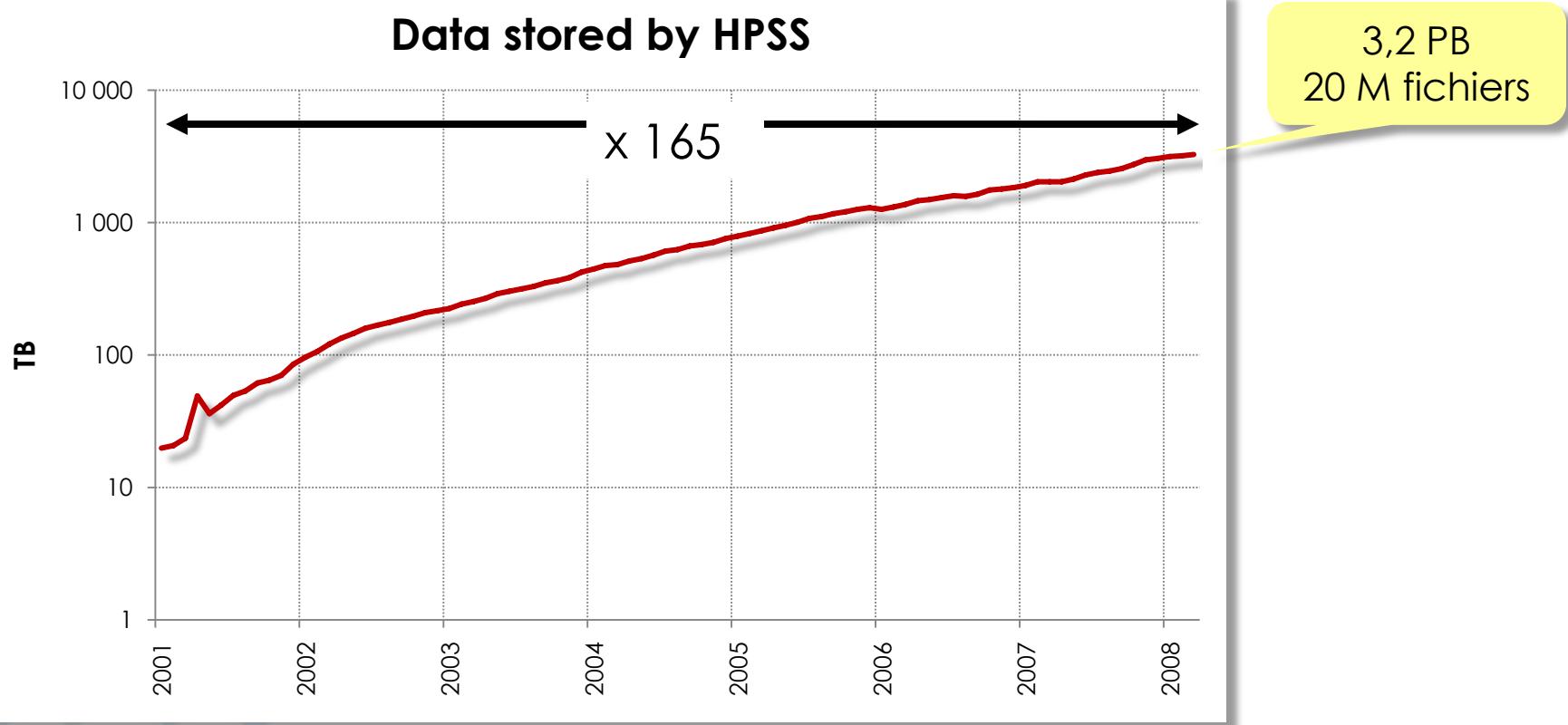
- AFS, disque cache HPSS et disque local aux worker nodes non compris
- Données xrootd et SRB non disponibles avant les périodes affichés

# Data storage services (cont.)



- Data files (cont.)
  - HPSS (High Performance Storage System)
    - *Hierarchical storage system*
      - software that manages petabytes of data on disk and automated tape libraries
    - Features: scalable capacity, scalable I/O performance, incremental growth
    - Main repository of data files for the site
      - Grid-enabled through dCache/SRM and SRB
    - Well suited for sequential access of files in the gigabyte zone
    - Origin: US DoE laboratories and IBM

# Stockage de masse

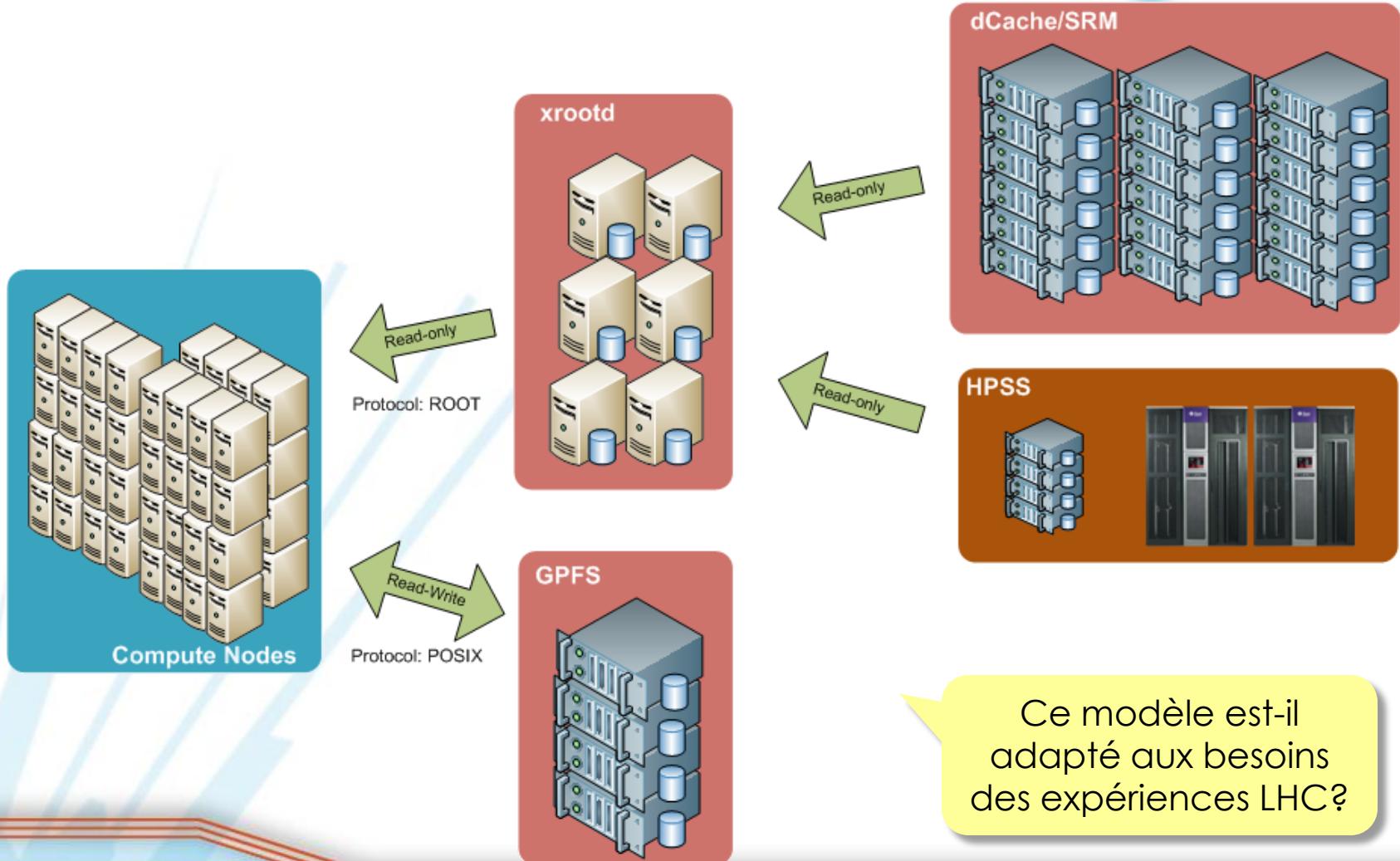


# Evolutions planifiées en 2008



- Stockage disque
  - 500 TB supplémentaires pour le cache disque HPSS
  - 640 TB supplémentaires pour GPFS
  - 3 PB supplémentaires pour dCache/xrootd (principalement LHC)
- Stockage sur bande
  - 2 robots et 30 dérouleurs supplémentaires
- Réseau local
  - Vers une généralisation des liens à 1 Gbps pour les noeuds de calcul, n x 1 Gbps pour les serveurs de stockage et 10 Gbps entre routeurs

# Analysis – data flow



Ce modèle est-il  
adapté aux besoins  
des expériences LHC?



# Autres services



- Gestionnaires de bases de données relationnelles
  - Oracle principalement
    - Forte croissance ces dernières années
  - MySQL et PostgreSQL également supportés à des niveaux de service différents
- Hébergement de sites web
- Services institutionnels
  - EDMS, Indico, visio-conférence, webcast,...

# Conclusions



- Croissance soutenue des différents services pendant ces dernières années
- Diversification de l'offre de services de stockage, en particulier sur disque
  - Augmentation considérable de la capacité
- Intégration des différents services de stockage pour répondre aux besoins des activités des expériences
  - Simulation, re-processing, analyse, ...
- Votre contribution est essentielle pour nous aider à comprendre vos besoins, en particulier pour l'analyse



# Questions & Comments



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