

Computing at MPP

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Personnel C/N Group

Head of group: Leupold, U.

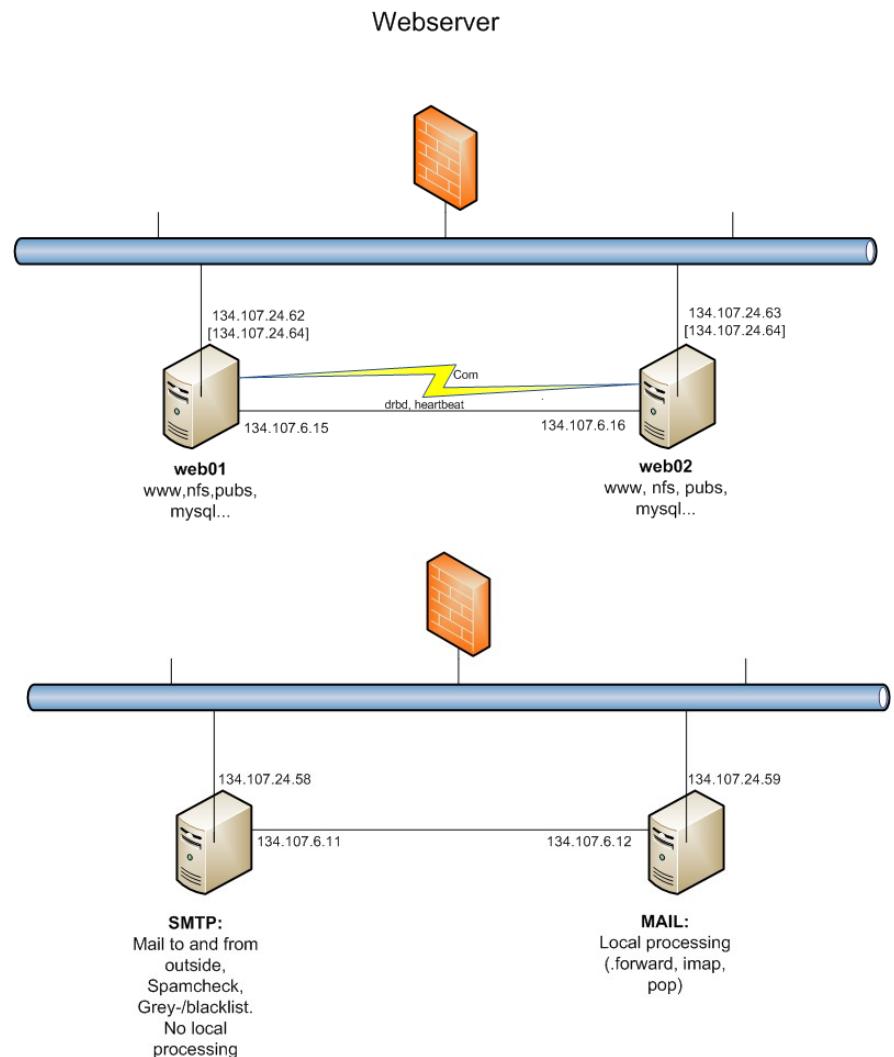
	Linux	MS	SW	LAN	HW	Pr	Grid
Leupold, U.	x	x	x	x	x		
Kriesel, A.	x(reg.)					x	x
Krämer, M.				x			
Pan, Y.	(x)	x					
Salihagic, D.	x		x				x
Vidal, M.	x(AIX)		x		x		
Krebs, K.				x			

Hardware Overview

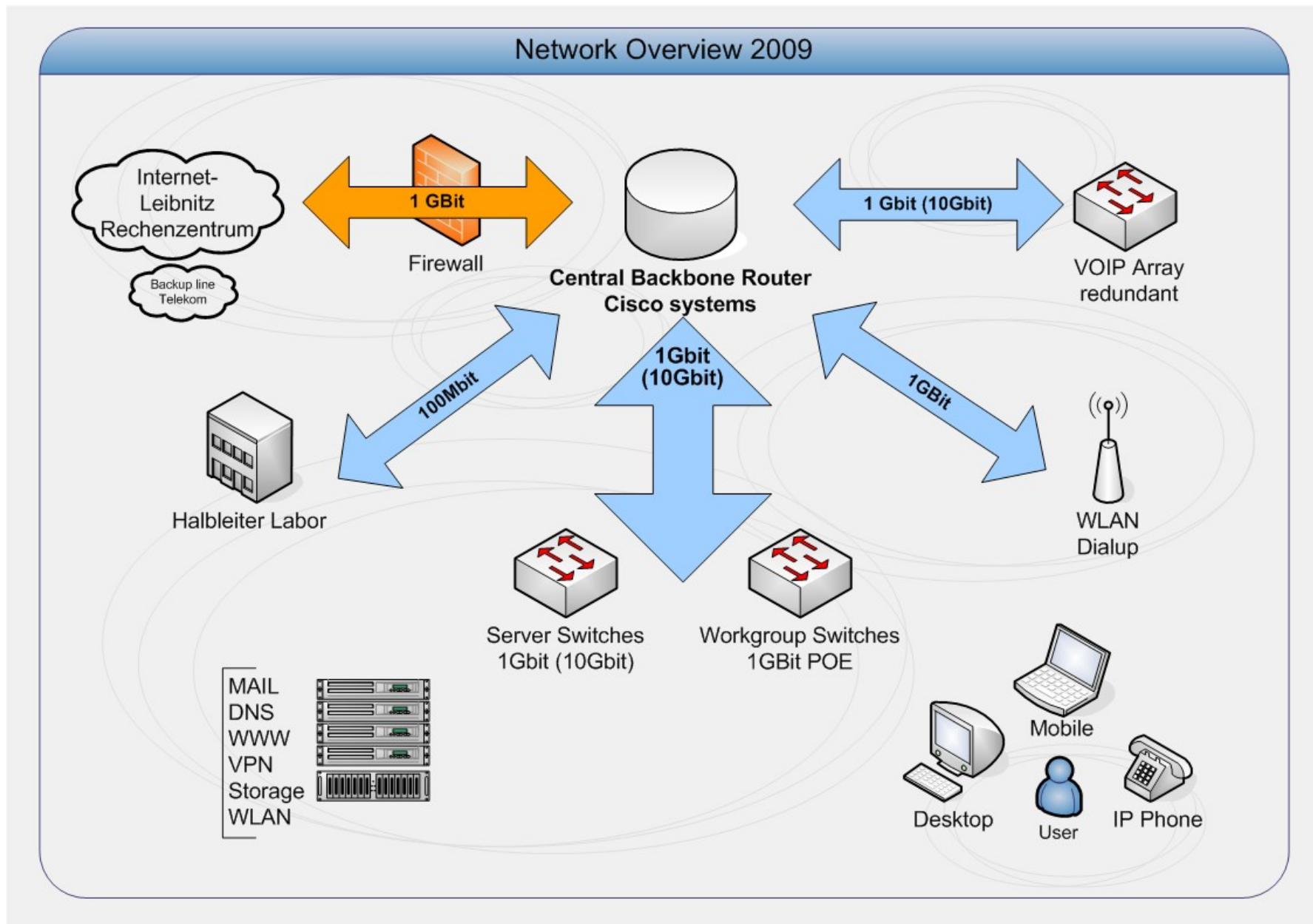
- Central servers
 - 2 IBM BladeCenter, 56 cores (ATLAS)
 - 28 fileservers with ~85 TB
 - mail, web, DNS, accounts, backup, printer, ...
 - > 500 cores for batch via condor (server+PCs)
- Experimental and engineering groups
 - ~300 PCs, 2/3 Linux, 1/3 MS
- Theory group
 - ~80 PCs (Linux), 1 DEC Alpha

Hardware News

- Homedir servers
 - RAID, failover (in prog.)
 - ATLAS/ILC/(s)BELLE
- WWW/indico
 - failover
- Mail service
 - 2 servers to handle load (~200k smtp req./d)
- New WLAN APs



LAN



Software overview

- OS
 - Linux (MPI, Debian → Ubuntu (ATLAS), peb (theory) → Opensuse)
 - AIX (1 server left), Solaris (Elektronik)
 - MacOSX, VMS without C/N support
 - MS Windows (Admin, Labs, h1win, thwin)
- Applications/libraries
 - Mathematica, Maple, Portland pgf compiler, IDL, NAG, Matlab (Theory), ifortran
 - OSS in consultation with C/N group & mpicc

Software Applications

- Commercial
 - Oracle 10, Infoparc cms Fiona, Tivoli (backup), Wilma (WLAN manager), Gleitzeitserver
- OSS
 - Indico, mysql, root, CERNLIB, phpBB, twiki, Asterisk, eGroupware, ...

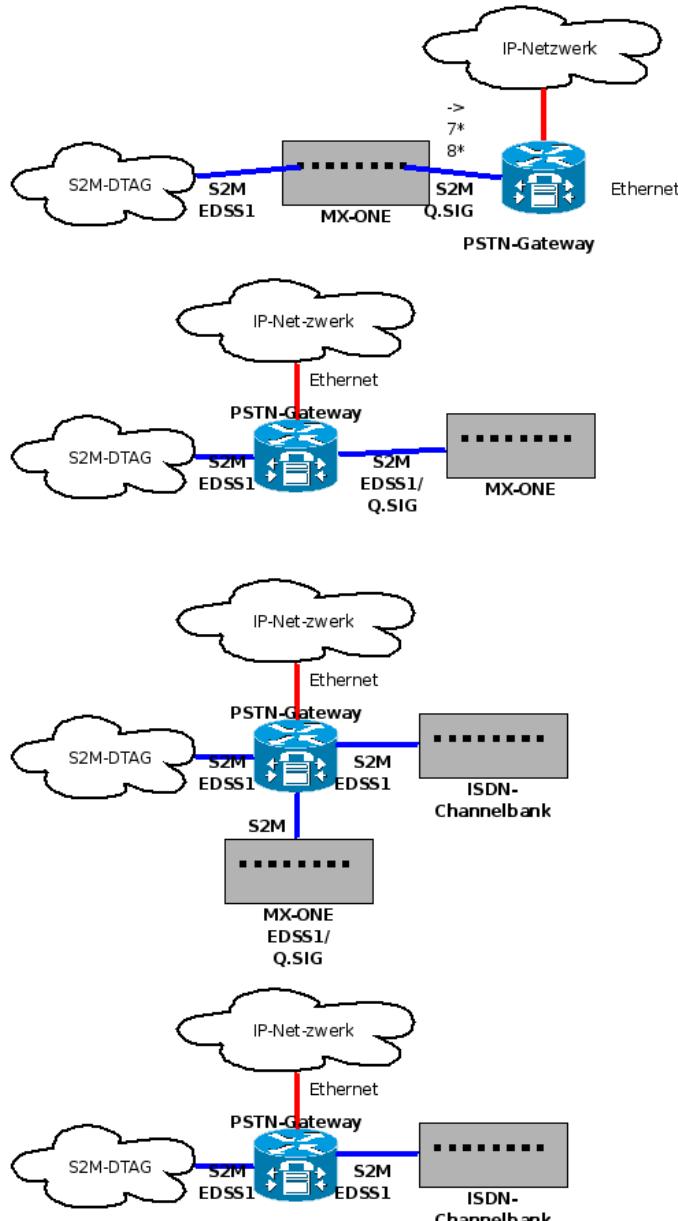
MPP WWW Pages

- Online since summer 08 (50th anniversary)
- Structure improvements
 - job offers, library, DE/EN pages, media archive pages, calendar
- PHP interfaces
 - calendar (indico), publications, MPP member search
- Ongoing
 - complete DE/EN, member search, complete indico integration, intranet

New Phonesystem

- MX-ONE plus Cisco/Asterisk VoIP system
 - consulting (BayCom) done
- In-house
 - new GBE LAN with PoE and vlan (done)
 - prototype service with O(10) phones (done)
 - install more phones (ongoing)
- Future (2010)
 - all users with new phones
 - phase out MX-ONE

Phonesystem Migration



- 1 MX-ONE und VoIP parallel, replace phones, keep numbers
- 2 Phones replaced, MX-ONE serves old legacy phones
- 3 Connect ISDN channelbank, connect ISDN legacy phones
- 4 MX-ONE switched off

C/N Plans 2010

- ATLAS-ILC/Belle homedir servers
- Consolidate “RZF”
- New phones
- Replace central router and firewall
- LAN 1 → 10 GBE
- Linux migrations
- Request tracker (otrs)
- nfs3 → nfs4/afs?
- nis → Krb/LDAP?
- Condor → SGE?

MPP computing commission

- Subcommittee of IA
 - members: Bethke, Hahn, Kluth, Leupold, Wagner, Schieck, Reimann
- Mandate
 - oversight of C/N operations
 - medium- and longterm planning
- Please consult before buying hardware or requiring services

Rahmenverträge

- MPG has procurement contracts for IT
 - hardware, LAN, software, services
 - order without tendering procedure < 220k€
 - competitive prices (still check F&L or street prices)
 - FSC, HP, Acer, Dell, Lenovo, Apple, ...
- Experience
 - good for standard orders
 - companies respond well

Computing at RZG

- Operation
 - main users ATLAS (WLCG), MAGIC
 - open for all MPP groups (10% share)
 - connection via 1 GBE link
- Usage
 - need RZG account (via web-form)
 - direct access e.g. “ssh at01.t2.rzg.mpg.de”
 - direct access to dcache storage (dccp, dcap)
 - direct access to tape storage via afs

Computing at RZG

- Current status
 - 812 cores, 2 GB/core, > 300 TB disk
 - ATLAS Tier-2/3 and MDT calibration
 - MAGIC analysis centre
 - Others: theory, GERDA, ILC, BELLE(II)
- Plans for 2010
 - + > 336 cores, + > 500 TB disk, new LAN
- Other tasks possible at RZG
 - AIX (xlf), parallel computing

Computing at RZG

- Software
 - SLES10, WLCG, dCache, afs, nfs, SGE
 - access to tape storage (via afs)
 - Various gcc versions
 - SLES11 in 2010?
 - Experiment software
- Functions
 - WLCG: send/receive grid jobs and data
 - Local SGE batch jobs

Summary and Trends

- MPP IT landscape continuously changing
 - rapid changes in hard- and software
 - keeps C/N staff busy
- Mass data storage at MPP growing fast
 - > 100 TB soon? CPU power? Management?
 - consider using RZG cluster
- IT security
 - needs a well-managed setup
 - requires some protocol upgrades