sPHENIX Conditions DB Thoughts



Standard — Collider Detector

Prelude – Data rates

- 15kHz daq rate, but transfers to rcf are averaged
- Processing time budget ~25sec/evt, 3 passes (8sec/evt average)
- Job length 24hours give or take
- 10000 evts in 24 h (8secs/evt)
 - Each job processes less than 1sec worth of data
 - Steady state 3 commits/sec, 3 reads/sec
- Events are time ordered (no asynchronous event builder which scrambles the order) and each pass will process the same events
 - Tpc distortion correction from first pass will cover exactly the events from the second pass
 - But there is more to the distortion correction extraction
 - Laser illuminating Al strip pattern on central membrane
 - Digital currents

Easy Calibrations

- We give ourselves two weeks to create the needed initial calibrations
 - Calorimeter Tower by tower
 - Alignment
 - ...
- Calorimeters
 - SiPM gain is temperature sensitive, not as stable as PMTs
 - But a 100ton calorimeter does not change temperature rapidly
 - Given that we cover 1s worth of data per job the timescale of change is largely irrelevant

Distortion calibrations

- ALICE uses 25ms granularity, might go to 10ms. We need to be able to handle this
 - The distortions depend on the history of events, no close relation between neighboring distortion corrections (but there is also a static component)
- Since events from 1st pass are identical to 2nd pass, 25ms (or shorter) calibrations can be aggregated before committing to conditions DB, effectively creating one calibration.
 - But 22weeks = 13,3M secs \rightarrow 13,3M calibrations per yer