Special resources for physics analysts

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Recommended workflow

Task	Resource	
Developing analysis code	LXPLUS, local desktop/laptop, institute-based resources, CERN OpenStack VMs	
Making n-tuples (or other personal/analysis team format) from DAODs	Grid	
Onward processing of n-tuples, e.g. size reduction, systematics, statistical analysis, plotting	Local desktop/laptop, institute-based resources, Grid	
Storing DAODs	Done centrally - no need to do anything special	
Storing n-tuples	Grid: subscription to local group disk or physics group disk (including @ CERN accessible from EOS)	

Summary of special resources

What?	Why?	How?
GPUs at CERN	Small scale tests of GPU software or machine learning applications	https://batchdocs.web.cern.ch/ tutorial/exercise10.html
GPUs on the grid	Large scale machine learning	https://gitlab.cern.ch/aml/ tutorials/dl1-hyperparameter- optimisation/
Jupyter notebooks at CERN	Interactive Python-based analysis via a web interface	swan.cern.ch; hub.cern.ch
Jupiter notebooks outside of CERN	See above; particularly for ML	atlas-ml.org

User analysis priorities

- We can raise the priority for specific users on request so that user analysis grid
 jobs run with higher priority
 - Must be supported by the physics coordinators; please contact them first
- We can also raise the priority on the CERN batch system (HTCondor)
 - This should also be supported by PC
 - Resources are very limited: in general we do not recommend use of the CERN batch system - if you need larger scale resources it's best to use the grid

Bonus

- Deletion of obsolete datasets will take place tomorrow
- See the lists here:
 - http://adc-mon.cern.ch/
 DAODProduction//DAILYCHECK_MC/
 - http://adc-mon.cern.ch/ DAODProduction// DAILYCHECK_DATA/
- This action is necessary due to an urgent shortage of disk space at many grid sites

