Computer Centre Shutdown Post-Mortem

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IT Goals

- Test emergency run-down procedures
- Operators
 - Run down services in a controlled manner
 - Simple scripts provided by Service managers
- Service managers
 - Could be present as a backup and to identify possible improvements
- Allowed to protect service by taking 2002/03/08dvance steps to de-activate service

Run down schedule

- 12:00 LSF batch close, IA64 cluster, pdpdev, pdptst
- 17:00 sginst, pttools, HPSS
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- 22:00 Oracle close cerndb1,accdb,edmsdb
- 02:00 shiftnomad,na49i,na49b,na45,na48,slap,l3,opal,ccf
- 02:30 dxplus,hpplus,aleph,delphi,cms
- 03:00 GEANT,ipts,tomog,atljpgrd,sundev,th,mta,lxplus,lxshare,lxbatch
- 03:30 LSF master,registration,fatmen,stagers
- 04:00 Xterm,inssrv,Objectivity,CAE,AXCAD,EDMS,IDE disk servers
- 05:00 Legato, ADSM, Tape servers and robots, CASTOR, TMS, sysreq
- 06:00 ps/sInfs,prntsrv,Windows,Mail,News,LDAP,Web,ASIS,Remedy
- 06:30 ISS, Oracle, License servers
- 06:45 sure,ACB
- 07:00 AFS
- 07:30 Console manager, Tvscreen, Ops Help
- T-15 DNS, Spectrum, Internal network Tim Smith after C5

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Players

- 1 operator Overnight
- 2 operators 06:00-18:00
- **4** Serco 15:00-21:00
- Service managers as needed for start

Run down Reality

- ✓ Simple scripts for Complex services
 - ✓ Ops ran CASTOR, AFS
 - Expert ran Windows, Oracle, Web
- Cluster Automation

Verification unclear

Functionality mixed: NFS server /client order

Exceptional clusters not catered for

Complex multi-step procedures

Ops ran – time consuming, expert clarifications

Experts ran

TMS backup truncated / Systems missed

Startup reality

- Initial order respected
 - Network AFS Windows
- Lack of control over physics services
 - Ops had start order, but were in no position to verify completion of previous step
 - Serco / Service Managers
- Exception Handling
 - Hardware failures
- Badly shutdown machines

Prepared for Emergency?

- More than before ... but No!
 - 1 script shutdown per service possible, not achieved
 - Would still take too long
 - Establish an ordered list of critical servers
- Startup requires experts
- Even a well planned service run down has a large cost
 - Avoid risk with a reliable infrastructure

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- Consultation
 - other divisions AS, PS, SL, ST on timing
 - Experiment on batch draining
- Coordination
 - Service manager procedures and dependencies
 - CCSR
- Publications
 - Bulletin articles
 - news (English+French)
 - Web schedule
 - Zephyr messages

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- Physical
 - Linux CPU Servers [100/800] (8 hardware)
 - Registration server
 - Linux Disk [20], shift3, shift6, shd09, shift19
 - EDMS, AXCAD, SDT, suninst
 - suncsdb, sunlhcacr
 - Windows: 5 power supplies
 - mail8, mail5 (mail6)
- Ordering
 - Linux CPU
 - shift19
- Configuration
 - shd62
 - LSF license problems no batch

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- +1 operator 06:00-18:00
- 5 Serco 15:00-21:00 Saturday
- 5 Serco 09:00-18:00 Sunday