



# Using Sapelo2 Cluster at the GACRC

## New User Training Workshop

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# Outline

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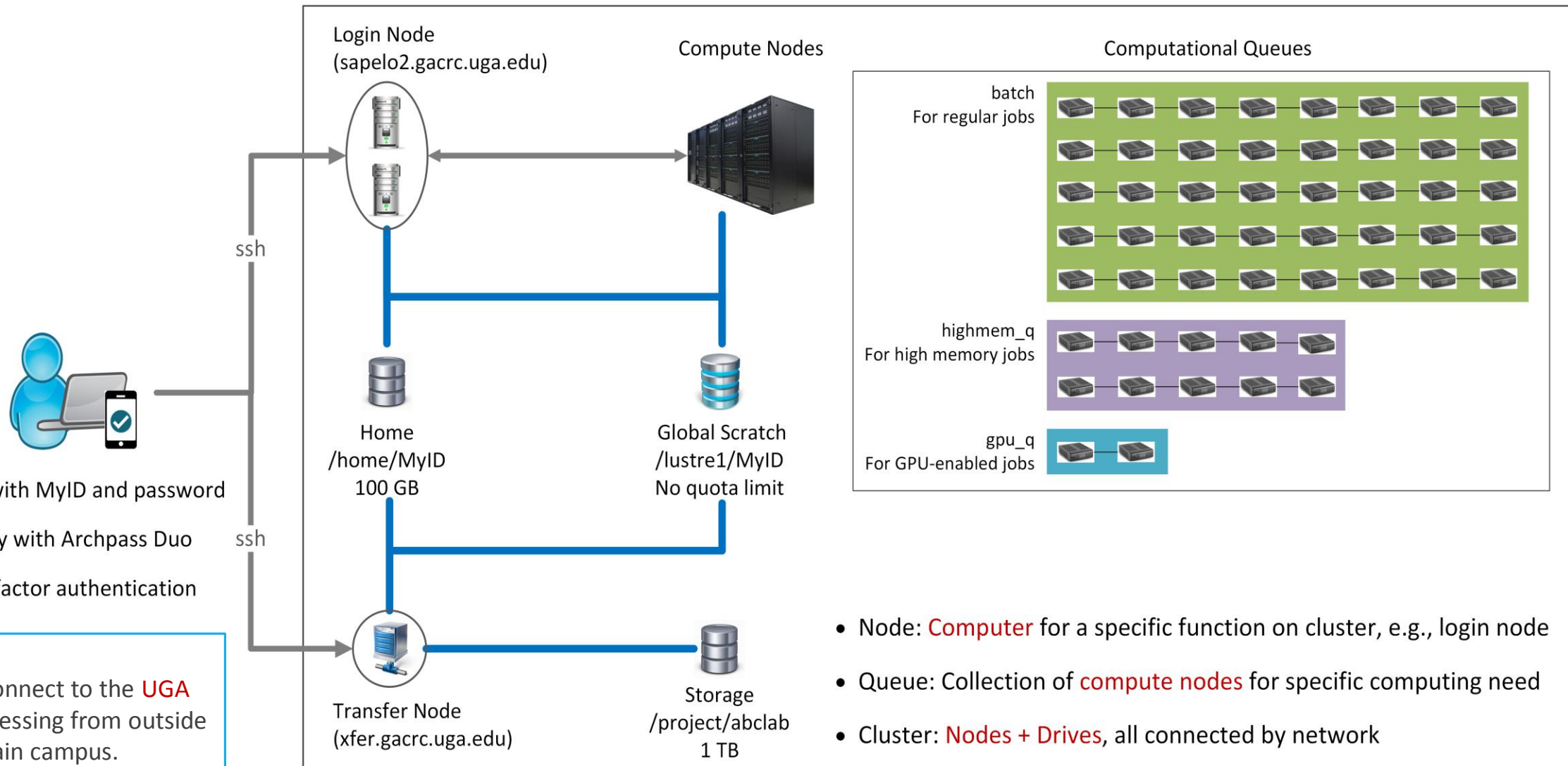
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- [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Getting\\_Help](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Getting_Help) (GACRC Support)
- <http://gacrc.uga.edu> (GACRC Web)

# Sapelo2 Cluster



- Node: **Computer** for a specific function on cluster, e.g., login node
- Queue: Collection of **compute nodes** for specific computing need
- Cluster: **Nodes + Drives**, all connected by network

# Sapelo2: A Linux HPC cluster (64-bit Centos 7)

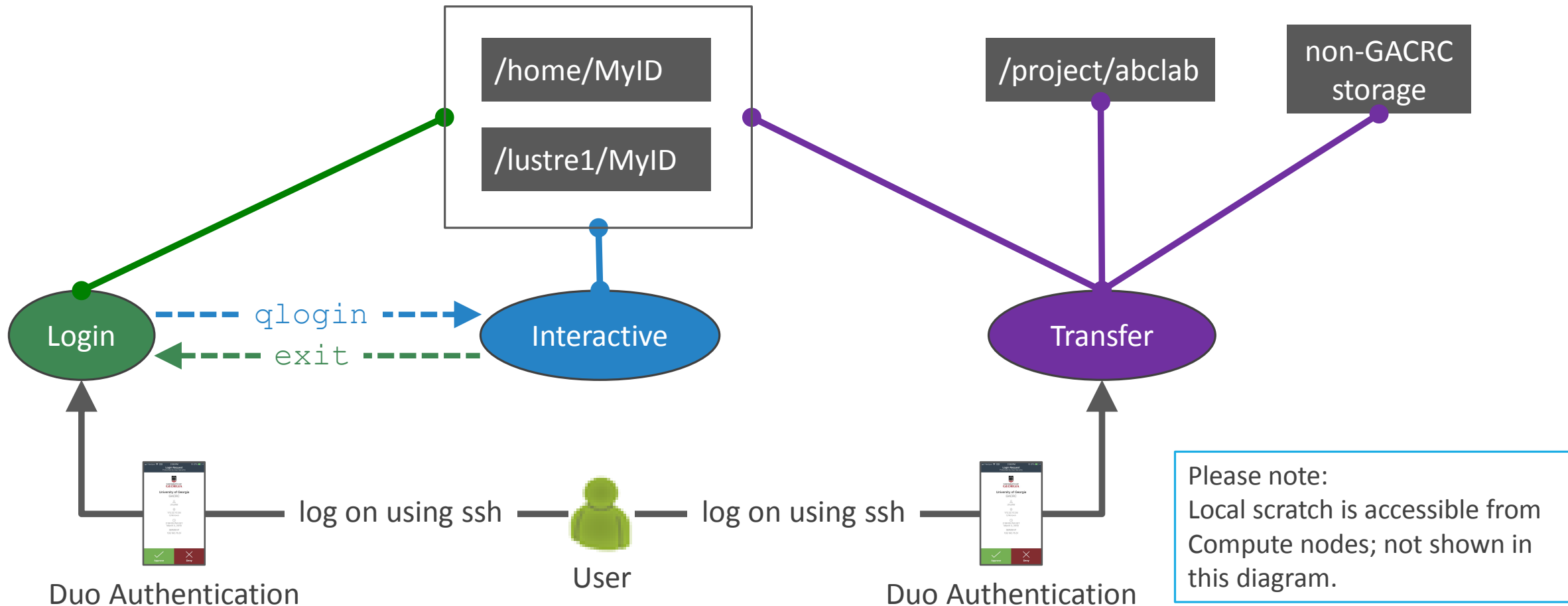
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- Two Nodes:
  1. Login node for batch job workflow: [MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu](mailto:MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu)
  2. Transfer node for data transferring: [MyID@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu](mailto:MyID@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu)
- Four Directories:
  1. Home: Landing spot; 100GB quota; Backed-up
  2. Global Scratch: High-performance job working space; NO quota; NOT backed-up
  3. Local Scratch: Local storage on compute node; 200GB; NOT backed-up
  4. Storage: Temporary data parking; 1TB quota; Backed-up (**ONLY accessible from Transfer node!**)
- Four Computational Queues: batch, highmem\_q, gpu\_q, groupBuyin\_q

# Four Directories

4 Directories	Role	Quota	Accessible from	Intended Use	Backed-up	Notes
/home/MyID	Home	100GB	Login Transfer	<b>Static data:</b> 1. Scripts, source codes 2. Local software	Yes	
/lustre1/MyID	Global Scratch	No Limit		<b>Current job data:</b> data being read/written by running jobs	No	<b>User to clean up!</b> *Subject to deletion in 30 days
/project/abclab	Storage	1TB (initial)	Transfer	<b>Temporary data parking:</b> non-current active data	Yes	Group sharing possible
/lscratch	Local Scratch	~200GB	Compute	<b>Jobs with heavy disk I/O</b>	No	1. <b>User to clean up</b> when job exits from the node! 2. <b>Persistent data</b>

# Accessing Directories from Nodes



# 4 Computational Queues

Queue	Node Feature	Total Nodes	RAM(GB) /Node	Max RAM(GB) /Single-node Job	Cores /Node	Processor Type	GPU Cards /Node	InfiniBand		
batch	Intel	30	64	<b>62</b>	<b>28</b>	Intel Xeon	N/A	Yes		
		42	192	<b>188</b>	<b>32</b>	Intel Xeon (Skylake)				
	AMD	90	128	<b>125</b>	<b>48</b>	AMD Opteron				
highmem_q	Intel/AMD	4/1	1024	<b>997</b>	<b>28</b>	Intel Xeon	N/A		Yes	
	AMD/Intel	4/1	512	<b>503</b>	<b>48</b>	AMD Opteron				
gpu_q	GPU	2	128	<b>125</b>	<b>16</b>	Intel Xeon				8 NVIDIA K40
		2	96/80	<b>92/76</b>	<b>12</b>					7 NVIDIA K20
		4	192	<b>188</b>	<b>32</b>	Intel Xeon (Skylake)				1 NVIDIA P100
groupBuyin_q	variable									



# Software Environment

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1. Software names are long and have a EasyBuild toolchain name associated to it
2. Complete module name: `Name/Version-toolchain`, e.g., `Python/2.7.14-foss-2016b`
3. Software names are case-sensitive!
  - `module avail` : List all available software modules installed on cluster
  - `module load moduleName` : Load a module into your working environment
  - `module list` : List modules currently loaded
  - `module unload moduleName` : Remove a module from working environment
  - `ml spider pattern` : Search module names matching a pattern (case-insensitive)

# Job Submission Workflow

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

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1. Log on to Login node using MyID and password, and two-factor authentication with Archpass Duo:  
`ssh MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu`
2. On Login node, change directory to global scratch : `cd /lustre1/MyID`
3. Create a working subdirectory for a job : `mkdir ./workDir`
4. Change directory to workDir : `cd ./workDir`
5. Transfer data from local computer to workDir : use `scp` or **SSH File Transfer** to connect Transfer node  
Transfer data on cluster to workDir : log on to Transfer node and then use `cp` or `mv`
6. Make a job submission script in workDir : `nano ./sub.sh`
7. Submit a job from workDir : `qsub ./sub.sh`
8. Check job status : `qstat_me` or Cancel a job : `qdel JobID`

## Step1: Log on to Login node - Mac/Linux using ssh

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Connecting#Connecting\\_to\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Connecting#Connecting_to_Sapelo2)

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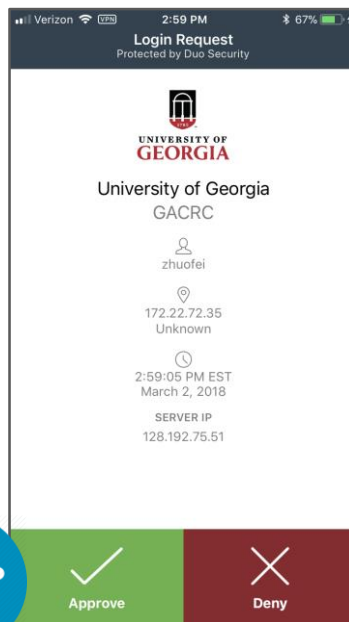
1. Open **Terminal** utility
2. Type command line: `ssh MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu`
3. You will be prompted for your **MyID password**
4. Sapelo2 access requires ID verification using two-factor authentication with Archpass

Duo. If you are not enrolled in Archpass Duo, please refer to

[https://eits.uga.edu/access\\_and\\_security/infosec/tools/archpass\\_duo/](https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security/infosec/tools/archpass_duo/) on how to enroll

## Step1 (Cont.) - Mac/Linux using ssh

Use Terminal utility on  
Mac or Linux!



```
zhuofei@s172-20-19-h149:~$
zhuofei@s172-20-19-h149:~$
zhuofei@s172-20-19-h149:~$ssh zhuofei@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu ← Log on
Password: ← Input MyID password!
Duo two-factor login for zhuofei

Enter a passcode or select one of the following options:

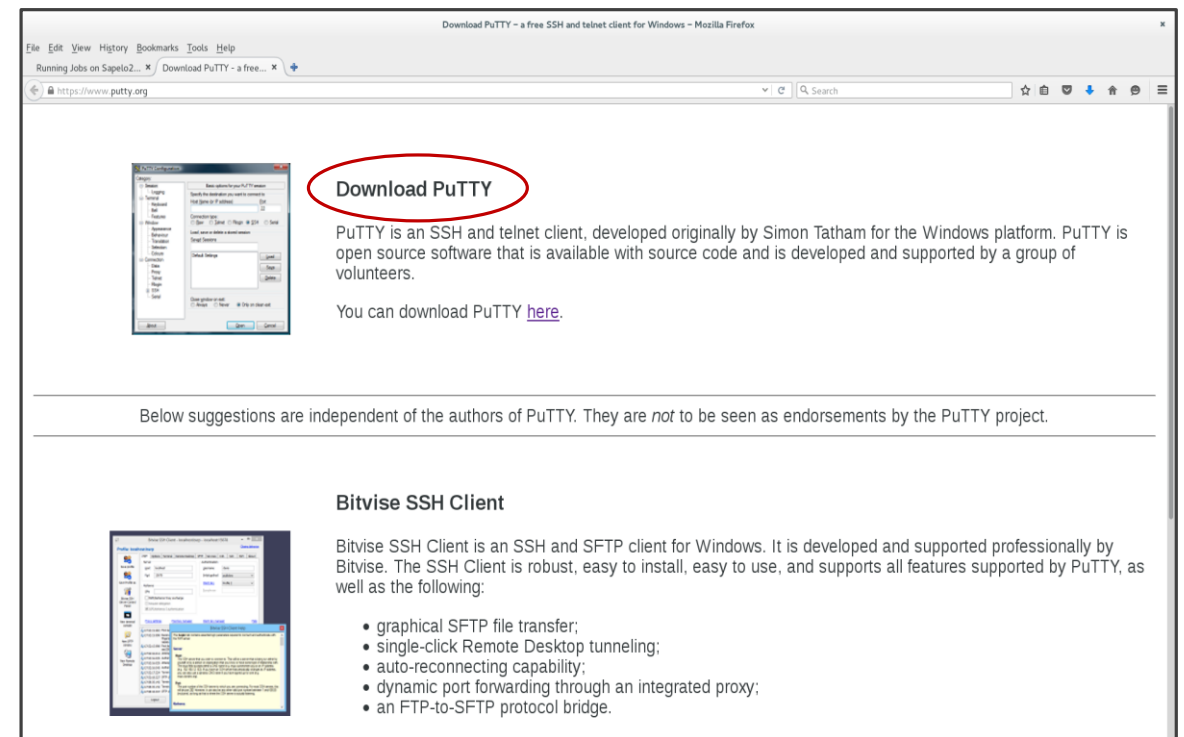
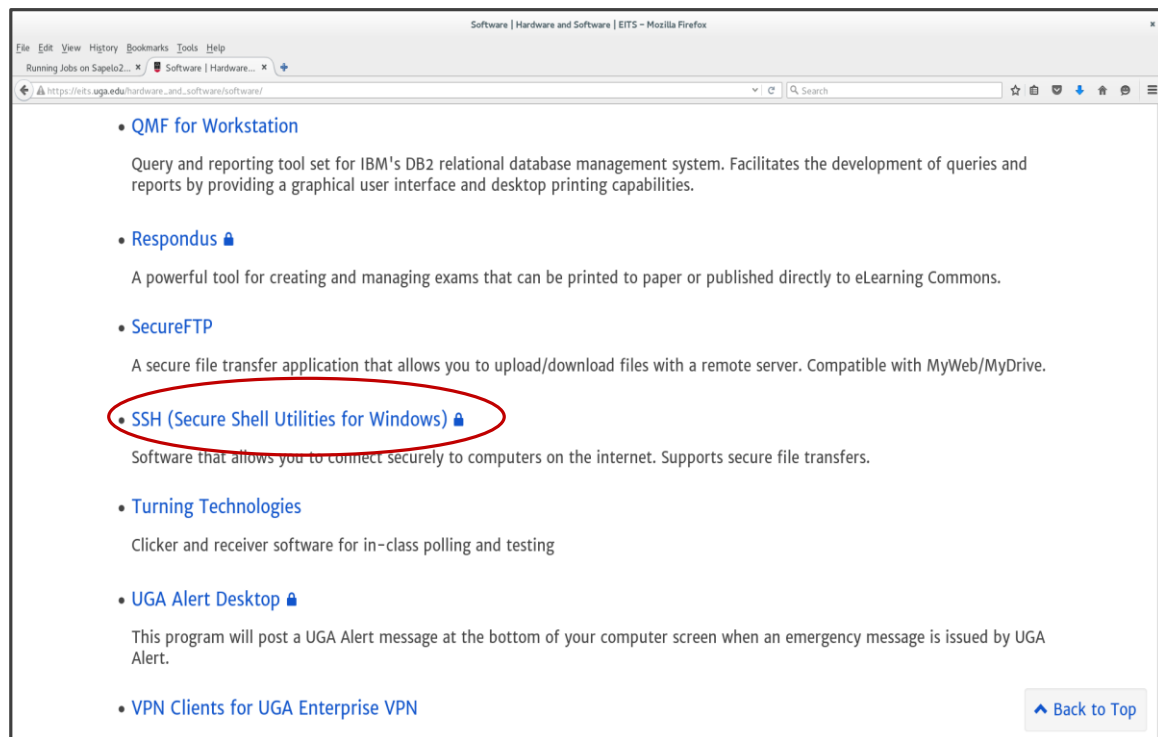
1. Duo Push to XXX-XXX-5758
2. Phone call to XXX-XXX-1925
3. Phone call to XXX-XXX-5758
4. SMS passcodes to XXX-XXX-5758

Passcode or option (1-4): 1 ← Select Duo login option!

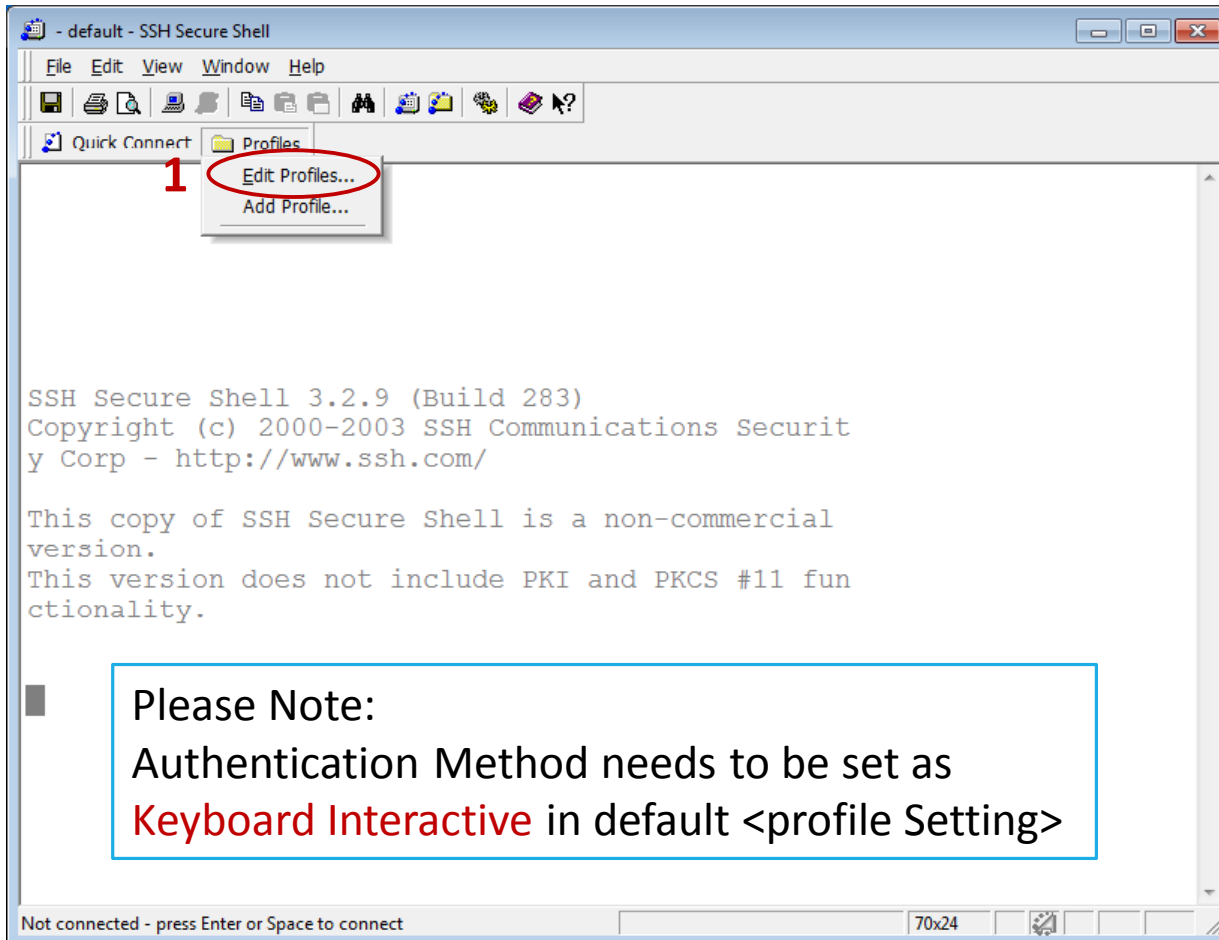
Pushed a login request to your device...
Success. Logging you in...
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 ~$
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 ~$ ← I am on sapelo2-sub2!
```

# Step1 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities

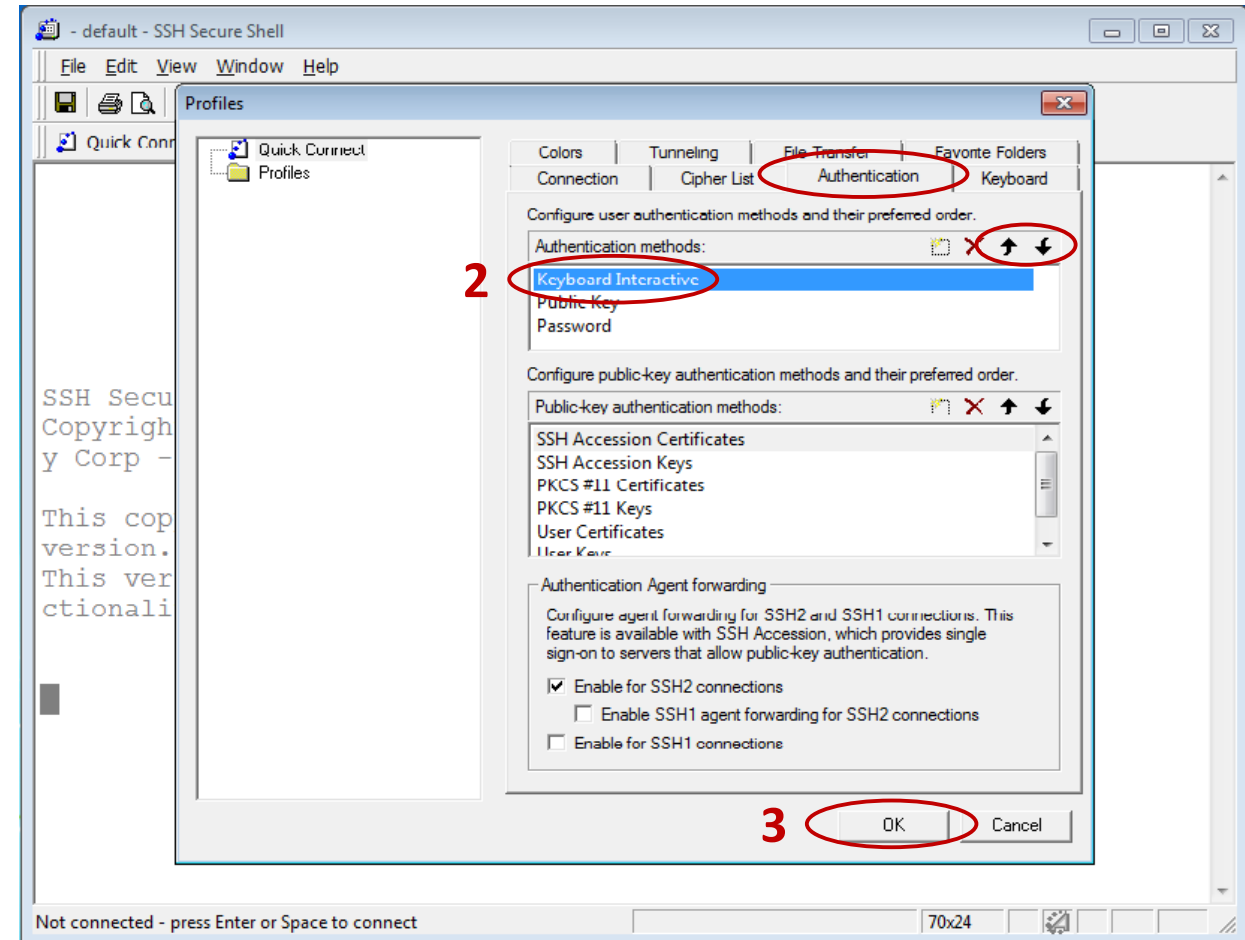
1. Download and install SSH Secure Utilities: [http://eits.uga.edu/hardware\\_and\\_software/software/](http://eits.uga.edu/hardware_and_software/software/)
2. You can use PuTTY as an alternative: <https://www.putty.org/>



# Step1 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities



Please Note:  
Authentication Method needs to be set as **Keyboard Interactive** in default <profile Setting>



# Step1 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities

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SSH Secure Shell 3.2.9 (Build 283)  
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- <http://www.ssh.com/>

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Connect to Remote Host

Host Name: 5 sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu

User Name: 6 zhuofei

Port Number: 22

Authentication Method: <Profile Settings>

8. You will be prompted for UGA MyID password after Step 7

Not connected - press Enter or Space to connect

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Duo two-factor login for zhuofei

Enter a passcode or select one of the following options:

1. Duo Push to XXX-XXX-5758
2. Phone call to XXX-XXX-1925
3. Phone call to XXX-XXX-5758
4. SMS passcodes to XXX-XXX-5758

Passcode or option (1-4): 1

9. Select Duo login option!

Pushed a login request to your device...  
Success. Logging you in...  
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub1 ~\$  
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub1 ~\$

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Approve Deny

Connected to sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu

## Step2: On Login node change directory to global scratch

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- Once you logged on, your current directory will be your home directory

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 ~$ pwd  
/home/zhuofei
```

← this is my home directory!

- Use `cd` command to change your current directory to /lustre1/MyID

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 /$ cd /lustre1/zhuofei  
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 zhuofei$ pwd  
/lustre1/zhuofei
```

← this is my global scratch folder!

- Use `ls` command to take a look in /lustre1/MyID

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 zhuofei$ ls  
user_test  workDir_Alex  workDir_bk
```



## Step3 - 4: Create and cd to a working subdirectory

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- Use `mkdir` command to make a subdirectory in `/lustre1/MyID`

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 zhuofei$ mkdir workDir
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 zhuofei$ ls
user_test  workDir  workDir_Alex  workDir_bk
```

- Use `cd` command to change your current directory to `/lustre1/MyID/workDir`

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 zhuofei$ cd workDir
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ ls
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$
```

← it is empty!

## Step5: Transfer data from local computer to workDir - Mac/Linux

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring\\_Files](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files)

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1. You need to connect to cluster's Transfer node (**xfer.gacrc.uga.edu**)
2. Open **Terminal** utility on local computer to use **scp (-r) [Source] [Target]**

*E.g. 1:* working on local computer, from Local → workDir on cluster

```
scp ./file zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir/
```

```
scp -r ./folder/ zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir/
```

*E.g. 2:* working on local computer, from workDir on cluster → Local

```
scp zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir/file .
```

```
scp -r zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir/folder/ .
```

## Step5 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities

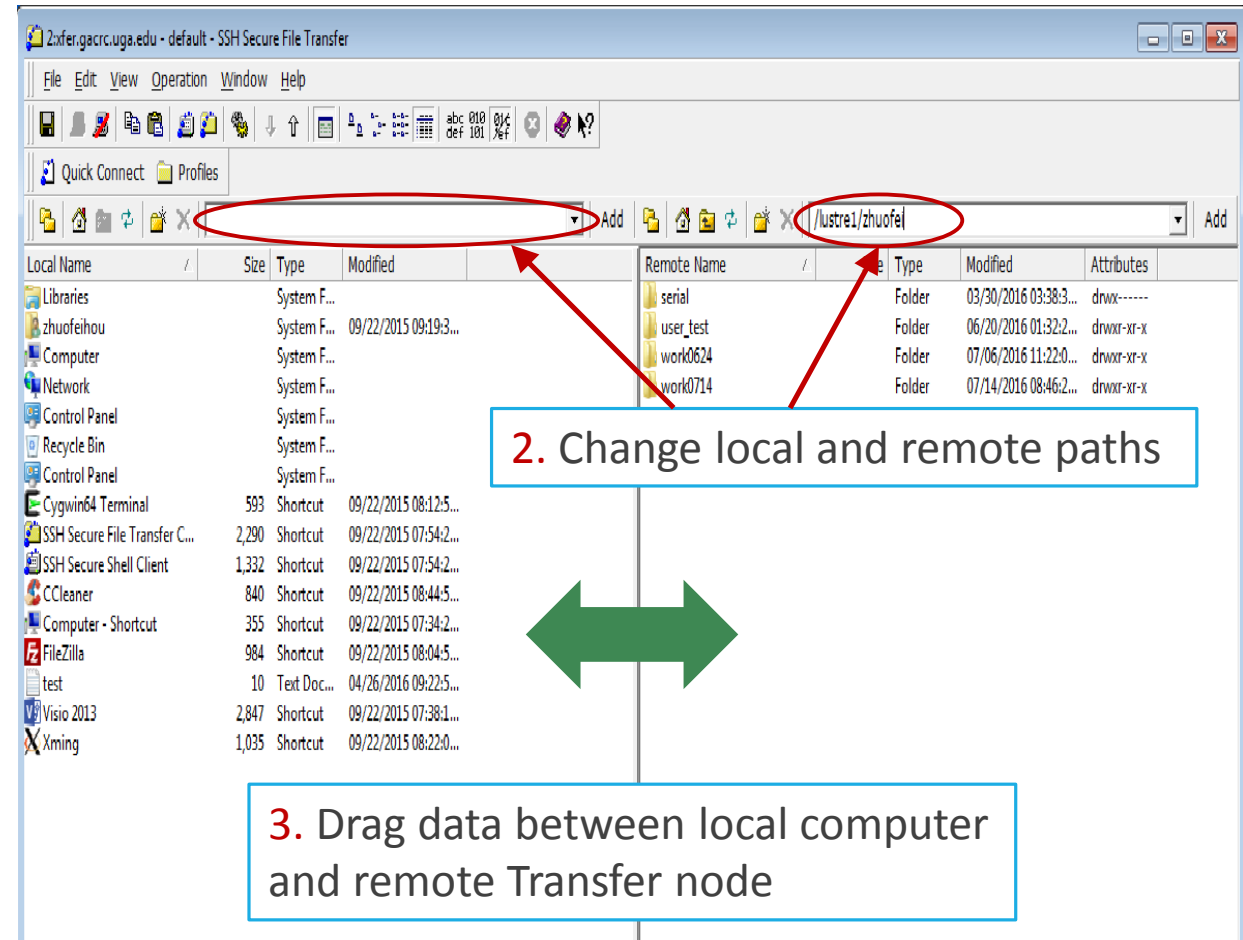
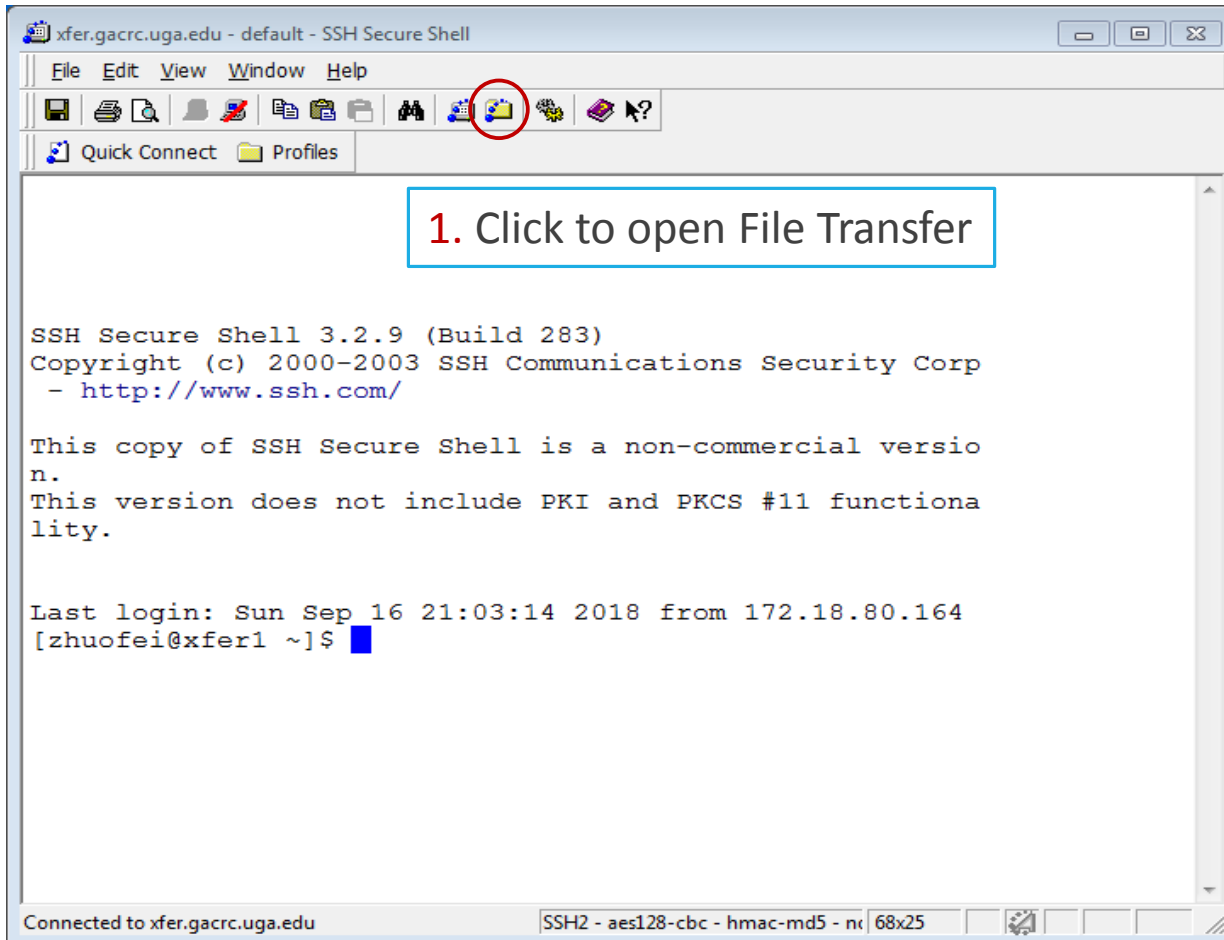
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1. You need to connect to cluster's Transfer node ([xfer.gacrc.uga.edu](http://xfer.gacrc.uga.edu))
2. Use **SSH File Transfer** on local computer (alternative FileZilla or WinSCP)
3. Steps 1-8 are the same as steps on page 14-15, except for Host Name in step 5:

Host Name: xfer.gacrc.uga.edu

4. Step 9-10 are not required for logging on Transfer node, as of 2018-09-18
5. Once you log on, use File Transfer of SSH Secure Utilities, as shown on next page

# Step5 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities



## Step5 (Cont.): Transfer data on cluster to workDir

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- Log on to Transfer node ([xfer.gacrc.uga.edu](http://xfer.gacrc.uga.edu))
  - ✓ Mac/Linux: `ssh MyID@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu` (page 12)
  - ✓ Windows: use SSH Secure Utilities (page 19)
- Landing folder: `/home/MyID` (Home)
- Transfer data between folders on cluster using `cp`, `mv`
- Directories you can access using full path:
  1. `/home/MyID`
  2. `/lustre1/MyID`
  3. `/project/abclab`
- Most file systems on Transfer are *auto-mounted* upon the first time *full-path* access, e.g.,  
`cd /project/abclab/`

## Step6: Make a job submission script in workDir

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2#Job\\_submission\\_Scripts](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2#Job_submission_Scripts)

```
$ nano sub.sh
```

nano is a small and friendly text editor on Linux.

Ctrl-x to save file and quit from nano



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled 'zhuofei@n124:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir'. The terminal displays the command '\$ nano sub.sh' and the output 'hello nano! I am Zhuofei!'. The nano editor interface is visible, showing the file name 'sub.sh' and the GNU nano 2.0.9 version. The bottom of the screen displays the nano editor's help menu with various keyboard shortcuts: ^G Get Help, ^O WriteOut, ^R Read File, ^N New File, ^Y Prev Page, ^K Cut Text, ^C Cur Pos, ^X Exit, ^J Justify, ^W Where Is, ^V Next Page, ^U UnCut Text, and ^T To Spell. A red arrow points to the '^X Exit' option.

## Step6 (Cont.)

1. Sample script on GACRC Wiki Software page:  
<https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Bowtie2-Sapelo2>
2. Modify it as needed for your computing

To run this example, you need to copy 3 files into your current working dir:

```
cp /usr/local/training/sub.sh .  
cp /usr/local/training/myreads.fq .  
cp -r /usr/local/training/index .
```

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2:/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
GNU nano 2.3.1 File: sub.sh Modified  
#PBS -S /bin/bash ← default Linux bash shell  
#PBS -q batch ← use batch queue  
#PBS -N bowtie2_test ← job name  
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1: ← 1 compute node and 1 core from the node  
#PBS -l mem=2gb ← total RAM memory (enforced!)  
#PBS -l walltime=1:00:00 ← job running time on cluster (wall-clock time)  
  
#PBS -M zhuofei@uga.edu  
#PBS -m ae  
  
cd $PBS_0_WORKDIR  
  
module load Bowtie2/2.3.3-foss-2016b  
  
time bowtie2 -p 1 -x ./index/lambda_virus -U ./myreads.fq -S output.sam  
^G Get Help ^O WriteOut ^R Read File ^Y Prev Page ^K Cut Text ^C Cur Pos  
^X Exit ^J Justify ^W Where Is ^V Next Page ^U UnCut Tex ^T To Spell
```

## Step7: Submit a job from workDir using qsub

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2#How\\_to\\_submit\\_a\\_job\\_to\\_the\\_batch\\_queue](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2#How_to_submit_a_job_to_the_batch_queue)

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ pwd
/lustre1/zhuofei/workDir
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ ls
index myreads.fq sub.sh
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qsub sub.sh
11943.sapelo2
```

**sub.sh** is job submission script to

1. specify computing resources:
2. load software using **ml load**
3. run any Linux commands you want to run
4. run the software



## Step8: Check job status using qstat\_me

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qstat_me
Job ID           Name           User           Time Use  S Queue
-----
11943.sapelo2   bowtie2_test   zhuofei       00:06:40  C batch
11944.sapelo2   bowtie2_test   zhuofei       00:05:17  R batch
11946.sapelo2   bowtie2_test   zhuofei       00:12:51  R batch
11947.sapelo2   bowtie2_test   zhuofei              0  R batch
11948.sapelo2   bowtie2_test   zhuofei              0  Q batch
```

**R : job is running**

**C : job completed (or canceled or crashed) and is not longer running. Jobs stay in this state for 24 hour**

**Q : job is pending, waiting for resources to become available**

Note: "Time Use" is the CPU time, instead of the wall-clock time of your job staying on cluster!

## Step8 (Cont.): Cancel job using qdel

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2#How\\_to\\_delete\\_a\\_running\\_or\\_pending\\_job](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2#How_to_delete_a_running_or_pending_job)

```

zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qdel 11947
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qstat_me
Job ID          Name          User          Time Use S Queue
-----
11943.sapelo2   bowtie2_test  zhuofei       00:06:40 C batch
11944.sapelo2   bowtie2_test  zhuofei       00:05:17 R batch
11946.sapelo2   bowtie2_test  zhuofei       00:12:51 R batch
11947.sapelo2   bowtie2_test  zhuofei       00:00:09 C batch
11948.sapelo2   bowtie2_test  zhuofei       00:00:00 Q batch
  
```

job 11947 status is changed from R to C  
 C status will stay in list for ~24 hour

## Step8 (Cont.): Check Job using qstat -n -u MyID

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qstat -n -u zhuofei
```

```
dispatch.ecompute:
```

Job ID	Username	Queue	Jobname	SessID	NDS	TSK	Req'd Memory	Req'd Time	S	Elap Time
12175.sapelo2	zhuofei	batch	bowtie2_test	132442	1	1	2gb	01:00:00	R	00:23:44
n238/0	← job is running on node238/CPU0									
12176.sapelo2	zhuofei	batch	bowtie2_test	67226	1	1	2gb	01:00:00	R	00:20:44
n237/0										
12177.sapelo2	zhuofei	batch	bowtie2_test	119643	1	1	2gb	01:00:00	R	00:05:44

**Note: "Elap Time" is the wall-clock time, instead of the CPU time, which qstat\_me can give you!**

## Step8 (Cont.): Check all Jobs on cluster using qstat

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ qstat
Job ID          Name                User                Time Use S Queue
-----
11267.sapelo2   L80-500             jx57780             164:32:5 R batch
11269.sapelo2   L80-502             jx57780             164:55:5 C batch
11270.sapelo2   L80-503             jx57780             165:38:5 C batch
11607.sapelo2   canu                gd98309             3414:46: R bergman_q
11726.sapelo2   ..._3_constoptTS   sm39091             3157:30: R wheeler_q
11729.sapelo2   ..._2_constoptTS   sm39091             2731:29: R wheeler_q
11790.sapelo2   sp2_run19b_dye     castelao            4412:52: C batch
11804.sapelo2   ...e-4_Nnoise=64   cotter              98:26:20 R batch
11806.sapelo2   ...e-4_Nnoise=64   cotter              98:14:22 R batch
11987.sapelo2   ..._th_W18-T5-L4   qbcg                08:02:40 C batch
11989.sapelo2   matlabjob          zhyw86              0 C batch
11990.sapelo2   ..._1_constoptTS   sm39091             445:42:1 R wheeler_q
11991.sapelo2   ..._1_constoptTS   sm39091             444:51:4 R wheeler_q
11992.sapelo2   ..._cl_W18-T3-D1   qbcg                03:04:21 C batch
.
.
```

**Note: qstat command will give you a long list of all jobs from all users on cluster!**

# Workflow Diagram

1. Linux/Mac user:

`ssh MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu`



Windows user:



Login



2. `cd /lustrel1/MyID`

3. `mkdir ./workDir`

4. `cd ./workDir`



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6. `nano ./sub.sh`

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash
#PBS -q batch
#PBS -N bowtie2_test
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1
#PBS -l mem=2gb
#PBS -l walltime=1:00:00

#PBS -M zhuofei@uga.edu
#PBS -m ae

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

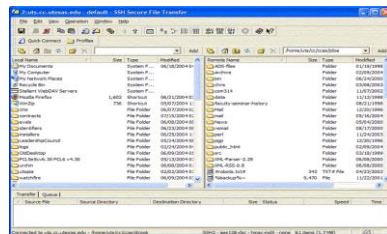
module load Bowtie2/2.3.3-foss-2016b.....
```

5. Linux/Mac user:

`scp file MyID@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustrel1/MyID/workDir`



Windows user:



8. `$ qstat_me or qdel JobID`

7. `$ qsub sub.sh`

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Running Jobs: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

Monitoring Jobs: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_Sapelo2)

Job Submission Queue: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Job\\_Submission\\_Queuees](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Job_Submission_Queuees)

Software: <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Software>

Transfer File: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring\\_Files](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files)

Linux Command: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command\\_List](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command_List)

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### ➤ **Job Troubleshooting:**

Please tell us details of your question or problem, including but not limited to:

- ✓ Your user name
- ✓ Your job ID
- ✓ Your working directory
- ✓ The queue name and command you used to submit the job

### ➤ **Software Installation:**

- ✓ Specific name and version of the software
- ✓ Download website
- ✓ Supporting package information if have

Please note to make sure the correctness of datasets being used by your jobs!

## Request Support

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\* For questions on cluster or software, please include the command/script used, working path and working nodes (interactive / queue name) if applicable.

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# Appendix: Examples of Batch Serial/Threaded/MPI Job Scripts

[https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Sample\\_Scripts](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Sample_Scripts)

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- Components you need to run a job:
  - **Software** already installed (cluster software or the one installed by yourself)
  - **Job submission script** to
    1. specify computing resources:
      - ✓ number of nodes and cores
      - ✓ amount of memory
      - ✓ maximum wallclock time
    2. load software using **ml load** (for cluster software)
    3. run any Linux commands you want to run, e.g., pwd, mkdir, cd, echo, etc.
    4. run the software
  - **Input data** for analysis, if have
- Common queueing commands you need:
  - **qsub, qstat\_me, qstat, qdel**
  - **qstat -f, showq**

## Example 1: **Serial job script** running NCBI Blast+ using **1 CPU**

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash
#PBS -q batch
#PBS -N testBlast
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1
#PBS -l mem=20gb
#PBS -l walltime=48:00:00

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

ml load BLAST+/2.6.0-foss-2016b-Python-2.7.14
time blastn [options] ...
```

- Linux default shell (bash)
- **Queue name** (batch)
- Job name (testBlast)
- **Number of nodes** (1), **number of cores** (1), **node feature is NOT needed!**
- Maximum amount of **RAM memory** (20 GB) is **enforced** by the cluster!
- **Maximum wall-clock time** (48 hours) for the job, default **6** minutes
- Compute node will use the directory from which the job is submitted as the working directory, i.e., /lustre1/MyID/workDir
- Load the module of ncbiblast+, version 2.6.0
- Run blastn with 'time' command to measure the amount of time it takes to run the application

<https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/BLAST%2B-Sapelo2>

## \*Example 2: Threaded job script running NCBI Blast+ using 4 CPUs

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash
#PBS -q batch
#PBS -N testBlast
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=4
#PBS -l mem=20gb
#PBS -l walltime=480:00:00

#PBS -M jsmith@uga.edu
#PBS -m ae
#PBS -j oe

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

ml load BLAST+/2.6.0-foss-2016b-Python-2.7.14

time blastn -num_threads 4 [options] ...
```

→ Number of nodes (1), number of cores (4)  
Number of cores requested (4) = Number of threads (4)

→ Email address to receive a notification for computing resources  
→ Send email notification when job aborts (a) or terminates (e)  
→ Standard error file (testBlast.e12345) will be merged into standard out file (testBlast.o12345)

→ Run blastn with 4 threads (-num\_threads 4)

## \*Example 3: MPI job script running RAxML using 2 full nodes

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash
```

```
#PBS -q batch
```

```
#PBS -N testRAxML
```

```
#PBS -l nodes=2:ppn=28
```

```
#PBS -l walltime=120:00:00
```

```
#PBS -l mem=100gb
```

→ Number of nodes (2), number of cores (28)

Total cores requested =  $2 \times 28 = 56$

We suggest, Number of MPI Processes (50)  $\leq$  Number of cores requested (56)

```
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
```

```
ml load RAxML/8.2.11-foss-2016b-mpi-avx
```

→ To run raxmlHPC-MPI-AVX, MPI version using OpenMPI

```
mpirun -np 50 raxmlHPC-MPI-AVX [options]
```

→ Run raxmlHPC-MPI-AVX with 50 MPI processes (`-np 50`), default 56

# Guideline Tips

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- Do NOT use Login node to run CPU/memory intensive jobs directly → submit jobs to queue!
- Do NOT use Login Node to upload/download large data to/from cluster → use Transfer node!
- Do NOT use home dir for storing large job data → use global scratch /lustre1/MyID
- Do NOT park data on global or local scratch → clean up when job finished or exits from node
- NO large memory job running on batch or jlm\_q → use highmem\_q
- NO small memory job running on highmem\_q → use batch or jlm\_q
- As a general rule, threads # = cores # requested

# Practical Tips

- **Each directory should not have too many files inside!** A rule of thumb would be to try to keep no more than a few tens of thousands of files (<10000 would be even better) in any single directory which is accessed frequently



All files are in ONE single dir! ❌



Files are organized in subdirs! ✅

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# Thank You!

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