Introduction to GACRC Teaching Cluster
PHYS8602

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GACRC

- A high-performance-computing (HPC) center at the UGA
- Provide to the UGA research and education community an advanced computing environment:
  - HPC computing and networking infrastructure located at the Boyd Data Center
  - Comprehensive collection of scientific, engineering and business applications
  - Consulting and training services

Wiki: http://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu
Support: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Getting_Help
Web Site: http://gacrc.uga.edu
Kaltura Channel: https://kaltura.uga.edu/channel/GACRC/176125031
Note: You need to connect to the UGA VPN at first when accessing from outside of the UGA main campus.
Working Environment

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Systems#Teaching_cluster

- Two nodes, your "username" is your MyID for both of them:
  1. For batch job workflow, the host to log into is teach.gacrc.uga.edu
  2. For file transfers, the host to log into is txfer.gacrc.uga.edu

- Three folders:
  1. /home/MyID: working space for running computational jobs
  2. /work/phys8602/MyID: data storing space for individual user in a class
  3. /work/phys8602/instructor_data: data shared with class by the instructors

- Partitions for your class: fsr8602
Working Environment (cont.)

- **Software**
  1. Software names are long and have an Easybuild toolchain name associated to it.
  2. Complete module name: Name/Version-toolchain, e.g., Python/3.8.2-GCCcore-8.3.0.
  3. Software names are case-sensitive!

  - **module spider pattern**: Search module names matching a pattern (case-insensitive).
  - **module load moduleName**: Load a module into your working environment.
  - **module avail**: List all available software modules installed on cluster.
  - **module list**: List modules currently loaded.
  - **module unload moduleName**: Remove a module from working environment.
Submit a Computational Batch Job

1. Log on to Login node using MyID and password, and two-factor authentication with Archpass Duo:
   ```
   ssh MyID@teach.gacrc.uga.edu
   ```

2. Create a working subdirectory for a job: `mkdir ./workDir`

3. Change directory to `workDir`: `cd ./workDir`

4. Transfer data from local computer to `workDir`: use `scp` or `WinSCP` to connect Transfer node
   Transfer data on cluster to `workDir`: log on to Transfer node and then use `cp` or `mv`

5. Compile C code `mult.c` into a binary code

6. Make a job submission script in `workDir`: `nano ./sub.sh`

7. Submit a job from `workDir`: `sbatch ./sub.sh`

8. Check job status: `squeue --me (-l)` or Cancel a job: `scancel JobID`
Step 1: Log on to Login node

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Connecting#Connecting_to_the_teaching_cluster

1. Teaching cluster access requires 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/ on how to enroll

2. If you are connecting from off-campus, please first connect to the UGA VPN and then connect to teach.gacrc.uga.edu. Information on how to use the VPN is available at

https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security/infosec/tools/vpn/
Step1: Log on to Login node - Mac/Linux using ssh

1. Open Terminal utility

2. Type command line: `ssh MyID@teach.gacrc.uga.edu`

3. You will be prompted for your UGA MyID password

4. You will verify your login using Archpass Duo authentication
ssh zhuofei@teach.gacrc.uga.edu  

1. use ssh to open connection

UGA DUO authentication is required for SSH/SCP access to GACRC systems. For additional help with UGA DUO authentication or to report an issue please visit: https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security...

Password:  

2. Enter your MyID password

When you enter password, no stars or dots will show as you are typing. Please type password carefully!

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-5758
3. Phone call to XXX-XXX-1925
4. SMS passcodes to XXX-XXX-5758 (next code starts with: 1)

Passcode or option (1-5): 1  

3. Select Duo option

Success. Logging you in...

Last login: Mon Aug  3 11:11:58 2020 from 172.18.114.119

zhuofei@teach-sub1 ~$  

4. Logged on!
Step1 (Cont.) - Windows using PuTTY

1. Download and install PuTTY: https://www.putty.org/

2. Detailed downloading and installation instructions:
   
   https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/How_to_Install_and_Configure_PuTTY

3. Detailed configuring and usage instructions:
   
   https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/How_to_Install_and_Configure_PuTTY#Configuring_PuTTY
Step 1 (Cont.) - Windows using PuTTY

The first time you connect to login node, PuTTY will give you this security alert window. Please click "Yes".
Next you will enter your UGA MyID password and initiate DUO authentication procedure:

- **UGA MyID password**
- **Select DUO option**
- **Logged on!**
Step 2 - 3: Create and change directory to workDir

[zhufoei@teach-sub1 ~]$ ls
[zhufoei@teach-sub1 ~]$ mkdir workDir
[zhufoei@teach-sub1 ~]$ ls
workDir
[zhufoei@teach-sub1 ~]$ cd workDir/
[zhufoei@teach-sub1 workDir]$ ls
[zhufoei@teach-sub1 workDir]$ 

- List folder contents
- Create a subdirectory
- Change directory
- workDir is empty
Step 4: Transfer data from local computer to workDir - Mac/Linux

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#Using scp_2

1. Connect to Transfer node (txfer.gacrc.uga.edu) in Terminal from your local computer
2. Use `scp` command: `scp (-r) [Source] [Target]`
3. Enter your MyID password, then select Duo option to verify connection

E.g. 1: use scp on local computer, from Local ➔ workDir on cluster

```
scp ./file zhuofei@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/home/zhuofei/workDir
scp -r ./folder/ zhuofei@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/home/zhuofei/workDir
```

E.g. 2: use scp on local computer, from workDir on cluster ➔ Local

```
scp zhuofei@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/home/zhuofei/workDir/file .
scp -r zhuofei@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/home/zhuofei/workDir/folder/ .
```
Step4 (Cont.) - Windows using WinSCP

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#Using_WinSCP_2

1. You need to connect to cluster’s **Transfer node** (txfer.gacrc.uga.edu)

2. Use **WinSCP** on local computer
   - WinSCP can be downloaded from [https://winscp.net/eng/index.php](https://winscp.net/eng/index.php)
   - Default installation procedure is simple

3. Alternative **FileZilla** [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#Using_FileZilla_2](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#Using_FileZilla_2)
Step 4 (Cont.) - Windows using WinSCP

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#Using_WinSCP_2
Select DUO option
Step 4 (Cont.) - Windows using WinSCP

Change paths on your local computer and transfer node

Drag to transfer files or folders
Step4 (Cont.): Transfer data on cluster to workDir

- Log on to Transfer node (txfer.gacrc.uga.edu)
  - Mac/Linux: ssh MyID@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu (page 9-10)
  - Windows: use PuTTY to log in MyID@txfer.gacrc.uga.edu (page 11-13)

- Directories you can access on transfer node:
  1. /home/MyID (Landing home)
  2. /work/phys8602/MyID
  3. /work/phys8602/instructor_data

- Transfer data between two folders on cluster using `cp` or `mv`, e.g.:
  
  `mv /work/phys8602/MyID/datafile /home/MyID/workDir`
Step5: Compile C code *mult.c* into a binary

```
$ qlogin
$ cp /usr/local/training/phys8602/mult.c ...
$ cat mult.c

/* Program mult
 * Multiple two integer numbers */
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{
    int i=3, j=4, iprod;
    FILE *fp;
    fp = fopen("output.txt","w");
    iprod=i*j;
    fprintf(fp, "The product of %d and %d is %d\n", i,j,iprod);
    fclose(fp);
    return 0;
}
```

```
$ module load GCC/8.3.0
$ gcc mult.c -o mult.x
$ ls
mult.c mult.x
$ exit
```
Step6: Make a job submission script `sub.sh` using `nano`

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ cp /usr/local/training/phys8602/sub.sh . ➜ Copy sub.sh to your working dir
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ cat sub.sh ➜ Show contents of sub.sh
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --job-name=test # Job name
#SBATCH --partition=fsr8602 # Submit job to fsr8602, which is PHYS8602 partition
#SBATCH --ntasks=1 # Single task job
#SBATCH --cpus-per-task=1 # Number of cores per task
#SBATCH --mem=2gb # Total memory for job
#SBATCH --time=00:10:00 # Time limit hrs:min:sec; fsr8602 TIMELIMIT 10 min
#SBATCH --output=log.%j # Standard output and error log
#SBATCH --mail-user=MyID@uga.edu # Where to send mail
#SBATCH --mail-type=ALL # Mail events (BEGIN, END, FAIL, ALL)

cd $SLURM_SUBMIT_DIR
module load GCC/8.3.0
time ./mult.x # run the binary code you compiled in step 5 in this job
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ nano sub.sh ➜ Use nano to make modifications to sub.sh, e.g., email address
```
Step7: Submit a job from workDir using sbatch
https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster#How_to_submit_a_job_to_the_batch_queue

$ sbatch sub.sh
Submitted batch job 12109

Tips: sub.sh is a job submission script for
1. specifying computing resources
2. loading software using module load
3. running any Linux commands you want to run
4. running your binary code
Step 7: Check job status using `squeue`

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ squeue --me

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```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ squeue --me -l

Mon Jan 11 12:03:14 2021

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```

Job State: R for Running; PD for PenDing; F for Failed

TIME: the elapsed time used by the job, not remaining time, not CPU time
Step7 (Cont.): Check job details using scontrol show job

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ scontrol show job 12109
JobId=12109 JobName=test
    UserId=zhuofei(1772) GroupId=gacrc-instruction(21004) MCS_label=N/A
    JobState=RUNNING Reason=None Dependency=(null)
    Requeue=1 Restarts=0 BatchFlag=1 Reboot=0 ExitCode=0:0
    RunTime=00:00:27 TimeLimit=00:10:00 TimeMin=N/A
    Partition=fsr8602 AllocNode:Sid=10.31.32.252:92156
    NodeList=tcn18 NumNodes=1 NumCPUs=1 NumTasks=1 CPUs/Task=1 ReqB:S:C:T=0:0:*:*
    MinCPUsNode=1 MinMemoryNode=2G MinTmpDiskNode=0
    Command=/home/zhuofei/workDir/sub.sh
    WorkDir=/home/zhuofei/workDir
    StdErr=/home/zhuofei/workDir/log.12109
    StdOut=/home/zhuofei/workDir/log.12109
    MailUser=zhuofei@uga.edu MailType=BEGIN,END,FAIL,REQUEUE,STAGE_OUT
```
Step7 (Cont.): Cancel job using `scancel`  
https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster#How_to_delete_a_running_or_pending_job

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ scancel 12109
```

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ squeue --me
```

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Step7 (Cont.): Check node info using sinfo

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster

```
zhuofei@teach-sub1 workDir$ sinfo
PARTITION AVAIL TIMELIMIT NODES STATE NODELIST
batch* up 7-00:00:00 1 down* tcn17
batch* up 7-00:00:00 24 idle tcn[1-16,18-25]
interactive up 7-00:00:00 5 idle tcn[26-30]
gpu up 7-00:00:00 1 idle tcgn1
highmem up 7-00:00:00 2 idle tchmn[1-2]
fsr4601 up 1:00 1 down* tcn17
fsr4601 up 1:00 24 idle tcn[1-16,18-25]
fsr8602 up 10:00 1 down* tcn17
fsr8602 up 10:00 24 idle tcn[1-16,18-25]
```

idle = no cores in use; mix = some cores are still free; alloc = all cores are allocated
Obtain Job Details

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2#How_to_check_resource_utilization_of_a_running_or_finished_job

Option 1: `scontrol show job JobID` for details of a running or pending jobs

Option 2: `seff` for details of computing resource usage of a finished job

Option 3: `sacct-gacrc` or `sacct-gacrc-v` for details of computing resource usage of a running or finished job

Option 4: Email notification from finished jobs (completed, canceled, or crashed), if using:

```
#SBATCH --mail-user=username@uga.edu

#SBATCH --mail-type=END,FAIL
```
Connecting: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Connecting#Connecting_to_the_teaching_cluster

Running Jobs: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster

Monitoring Jobs: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_the_teaching_cluster

Transfer File:
https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files#The_File_Transfer_node_for_the_teaching_cluster_.28txfer.gacrc.uga.edu.29

Sample Job Scripts:
https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Sample_batch_job_submission_scripts_on_the_teaching_cluster

Linux Command: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command_List
GACRC Support
https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Getting_Help

- **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 partition 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!
GACRC Service Catalog

Services (11)

Account Creation
For a research group's PI to request user accounts for group members on the GACRC computing systems.

Class Account Creation
For an instructor to request user accounts for students attending a course that will need to use GACRC computing systems.

Class Account Modification
For instructors to request changes to be made in previously requested class account.

Computing Lab Modification/Deletion

General Internal

General Support
Report issues and request help with GACRC systems, except for software installation requests and account/lab creation requests.

Lab Creation
For a research group's PI to register a computing lab on the GACRC computing systems.

Modify/Delete Account
For PIs to request changes in or deletion of user accounts on GACRC computing systems.

Software Installation/Update
Request software and common application database (e.g. NCBI blast databases) installation and upgrade.

My Recent Requests
- home directory is not fully provisioned: ss57215
- GACRC Sepele2 New Lab/Use Account Request 2018-11-14_preTraining
- GACRC Sepele2 Cluster New Lab/Use Account Request 2018-11-05_preTraining
- provision 5 user accounts for ugahepdesk group
- GACRC Sepele2 New Lab/Use Account Request 2018-10-22_preTraining

View All Recent Requests ➤

Popular Services
- EITe Help Desk Support Request
- MyID Account Request
- Change Request
- G2 Restricted VPN Access
- Terry Classroom & Meeting Room Support

View All Popular Services ➤

My Recently Visited Services
- Modify/Delete Account
- Class Account Creation
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