



GACRC Sapelo2 Cluster New User Training

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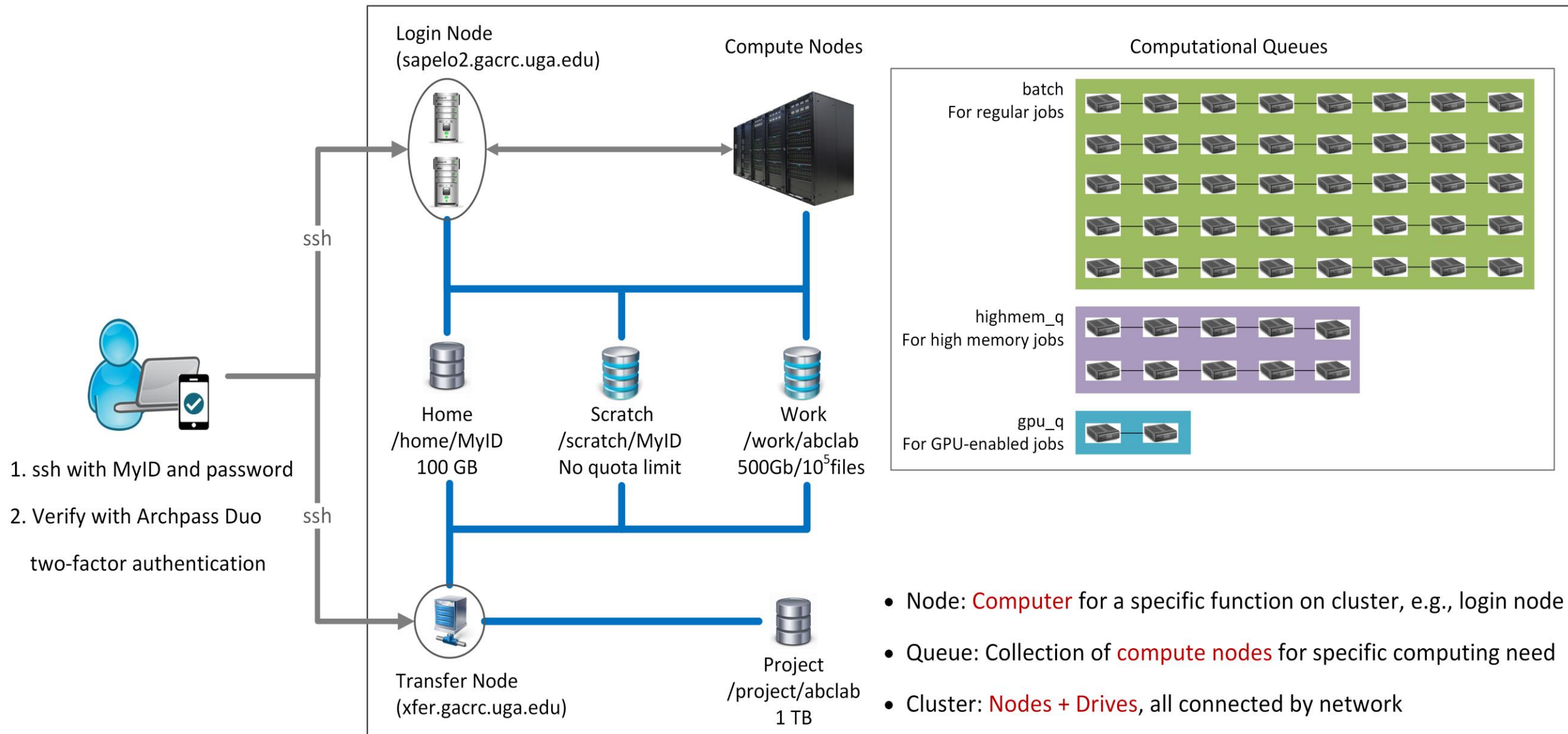
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UGA VPN: https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security/infosec/tools/vpn/

Overview <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Systems#Sapelo2>

➤ Two Nodes:

1. Login node for batch job workflow: MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu
2. Transfer node for data transferring: MyID@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu

➤ Five Directories:

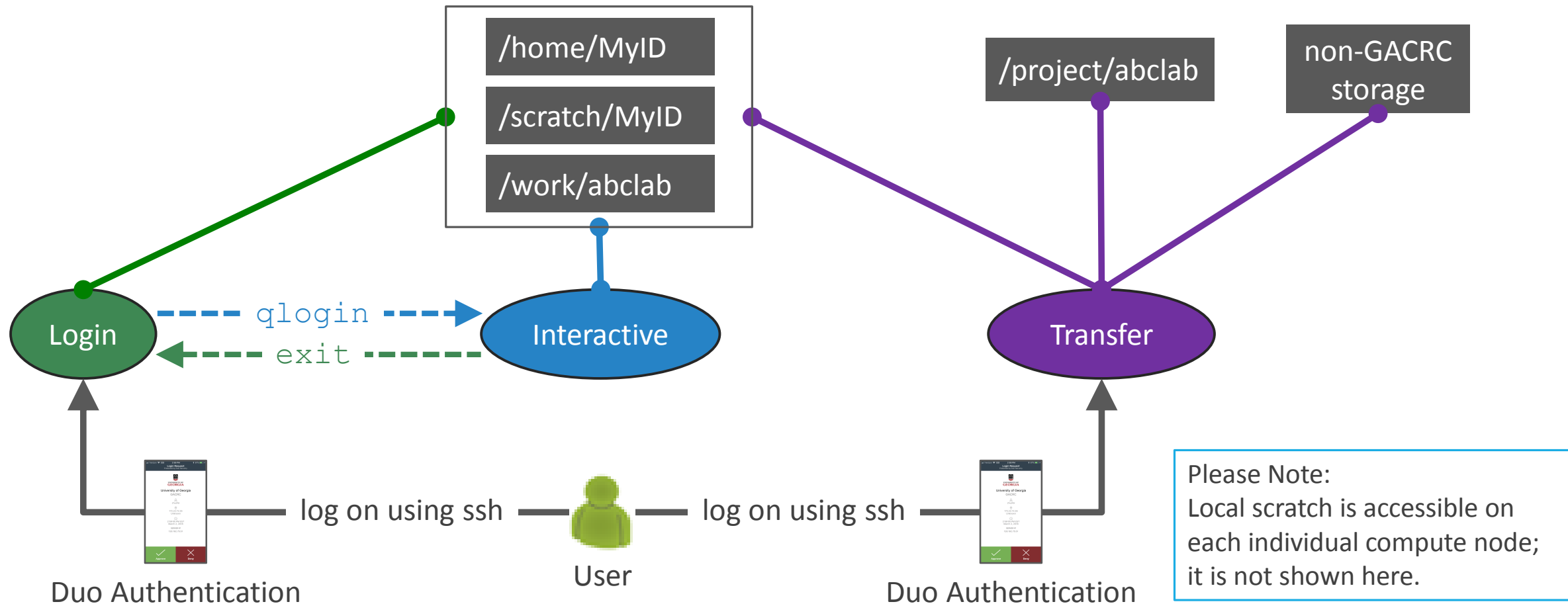
1. Home: Login landing spot; 100GB quota; Backed-up
2. Scratch: High-speed storage for temp files needed for current jobs; NO quota; NOT backed-up
3. Work: High-speed storage for input files needed for repeated jobs; per group quota of 500GB and max 100,000 single files; NOT backed-up
4. Project: Temporary data parking; per group quota of 1TB; Backed-up (ONLY accessible from Transfer node!)
5. Local Scratch: Local storage on each individual compute node; 200GB quota; NOT backed-up

➤ Four Computational Queues: batch, highmem_q, gpu_q, groupBuyin_q

Five Directories https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Disk_Storage

Directory	Name	Quota	Accessible from	Intended Use	Backed-up	Important Notes
/home/MyID	Home	100GB	Login Transfer Compute	Static data, e.g. 1. Scripts, source codes 2. Local software	Yes	Not for storing data of your jobs!
/scratch/MyID	Scratch	No Limit		Temporary files needed for current running jobs	No	Clean up when your job finished! Subject to "30-day purge" policy
/work/abclab	Work	500GB 10 ⁵ files		Input files needed for repeated jobs	No	Clean up any old data! Group sharing is possible
/project/abclab	Project	1TB (initial)	Transfer	Temporary data parking	Yes	Group sharing is possible
/lscratch	Local Scratch	200GB	Compute	Jobs with heavy disk I/O operations	No	Clean up when job exits from node! Data are persistent

Accessing Directories from Nodes



More about scratch file system "30-day purge" policy

https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Disk_Storage#Scratch_file_system

Any file that is not accessed or modified by a compute job in a time period **no longer than 30 days** will be automatically deleted off the /scratch file system.

Measures circumventing this policy will be monitored and actively discouraged.

- You have a list of those purgeable files located at **/usr/local/var/lustre_stats/\$USER.over30d.files.lst**
- You are suggested to copy files from /scratch to **/project** or **outside of GACRC**
- You should first move all unnecessary files and folders to **/scratch/trash/\$USER**
- The fastest way to save your old files is to copy them to /project area, using the **fpsync** utility on xfer.gacrc.uga.edu
- If you want to first create a tar archive of your /scratch area, **DO NOT compress the archive when creating the archive**

Queue	Total Nodes	RAM(GB) /Node	Max Mem(GB) /Single-node job	Cores /Node	Processor Type	GPU Cards /Node	InfiniBand
batch	42	192	184	32	Intel Xeon Skylake	N/A	Yes
	32	64	58	28	Intel Xeon Broadwell		
	106	128	120	48	AMD Opteron		
	16			32	AMD EPYC		
highmem_q	5	1024	990	28 48	Intel Xeon Broadwell (4) AMD Opteron (1)		
	15	512	502	32 48	Intel Xeon Nehalem (1) AMD EPYC (8) Opteron (6)		
gpu_q	4	192	184	32	Intel Xeon Skylake	1 NVIDIA P100	
	2	128	120	16	Intel Xeon	8 NVIDIA K40m	
	4	96	90	12		7 NVIDIA K20Xm	
groupBuyin_q	variable						

Software Environment

1. Software names are long and have a EasyBuild toolchain name associated to it
2. Complete module name: `Name/Version-toolchain`, e.g., `Python/3.6.4-foss-2018a`
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

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 your scratch space: `cd /scratch/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

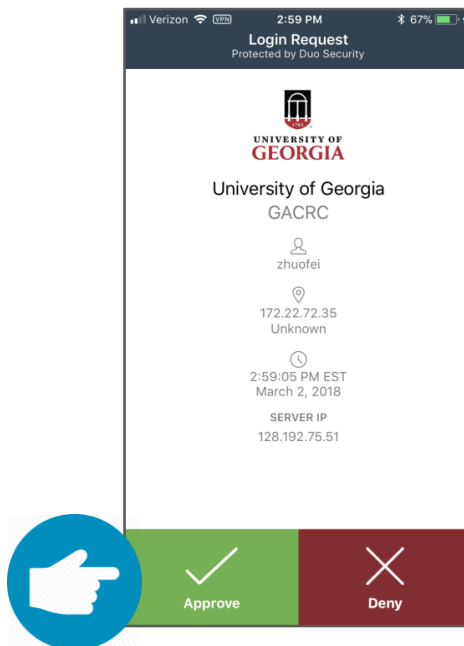
1. Open **Terminal** utility
2. Type command line: `ssh MyID@sapelo2.gacrc.uga.edu`
3. You will be prompted for your **MyID password**
4. Sapelo2 access requires ID verification using two-factor authentication with Archpass

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

https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security/infosec/tools/archpass_duo/ 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:

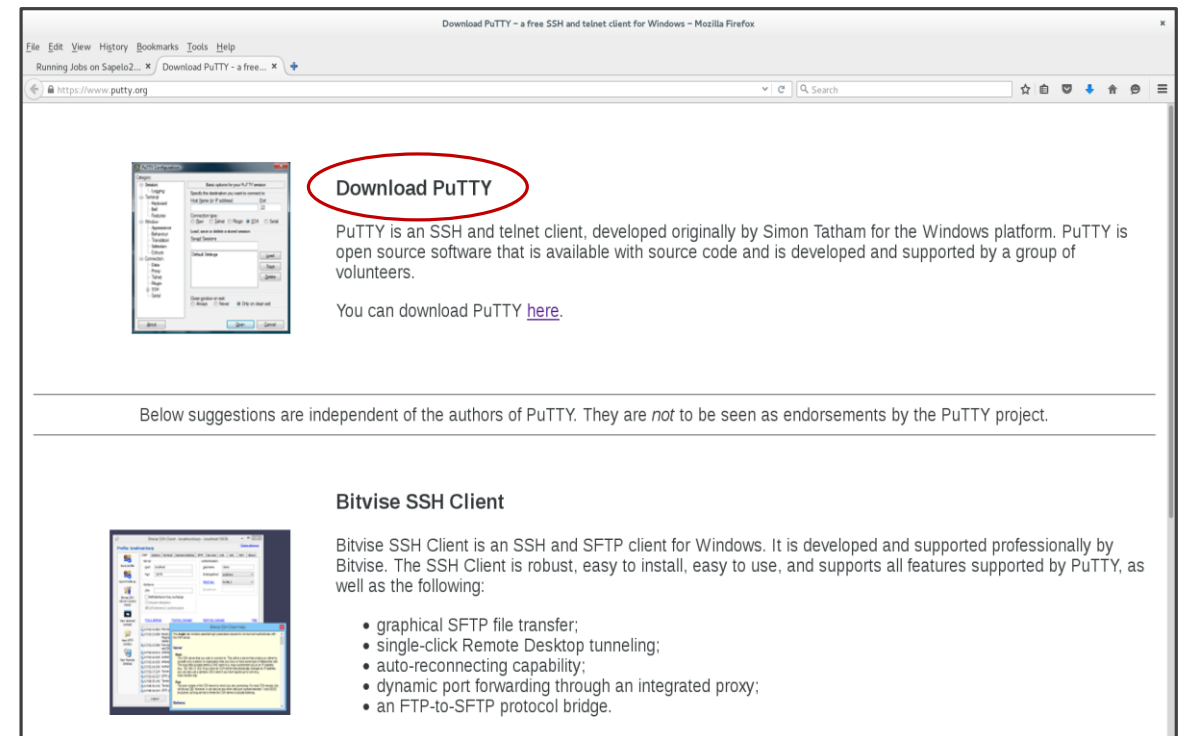
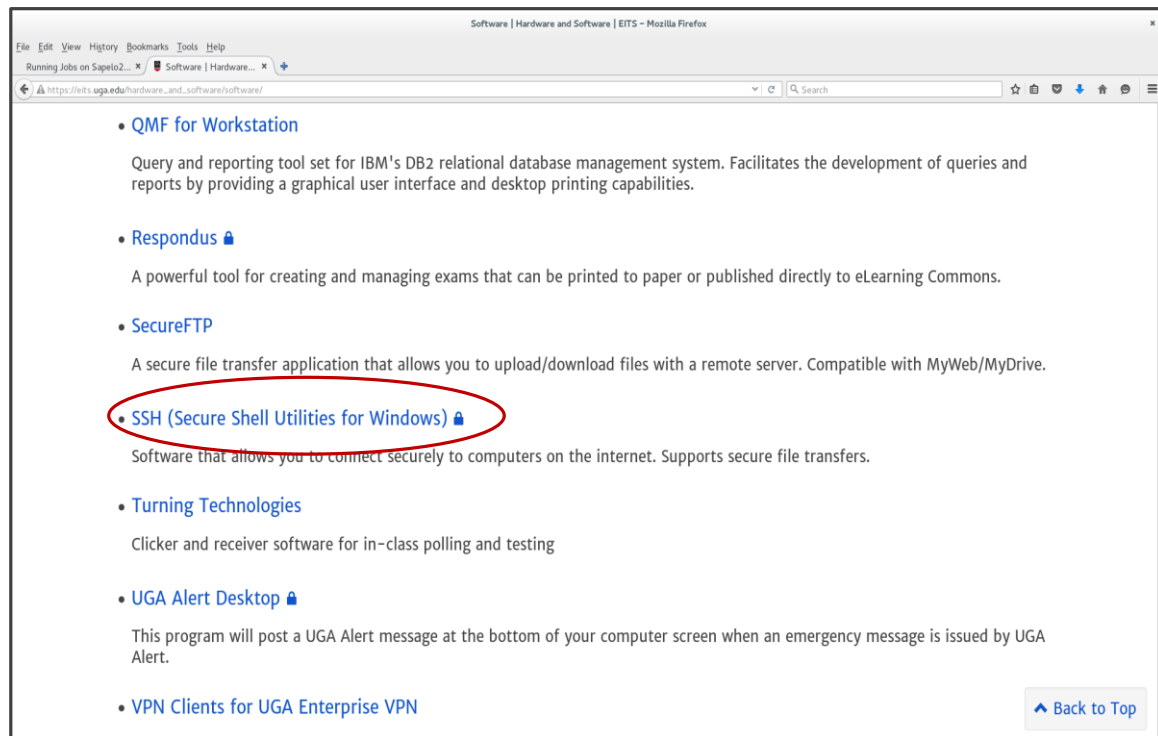
1. Duo Push to XXX-XXX-5758
2. Phone call to XXX-XXX-1925
3. Phone call to XXX-XXX-5758
4. SMS passcodes to XXX-XXX-5758

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

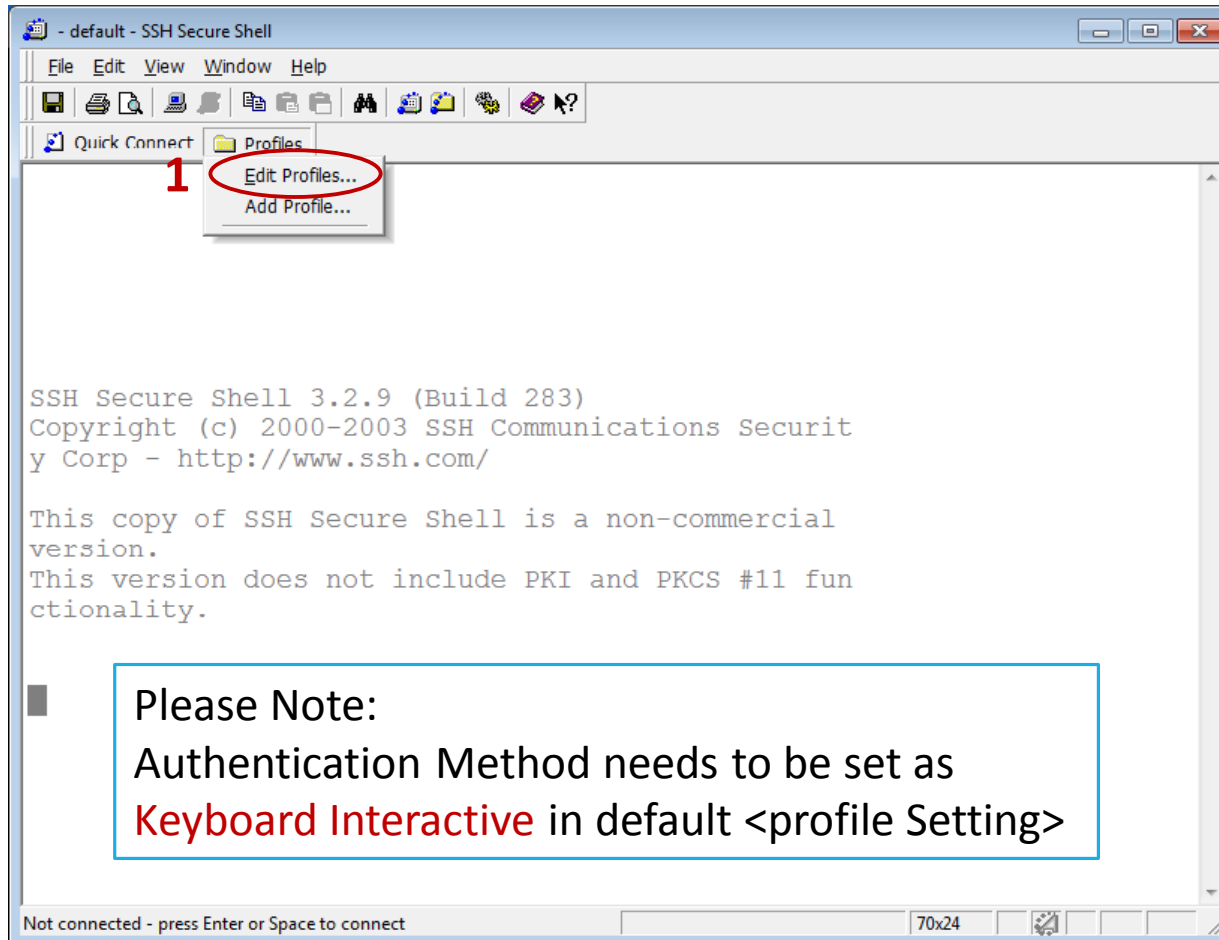
Pushed a login request to your device...
Success. Logging you in...
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 ~$
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 ~$ ← I am on sapelo2-sub2!
  
```

Step1 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities

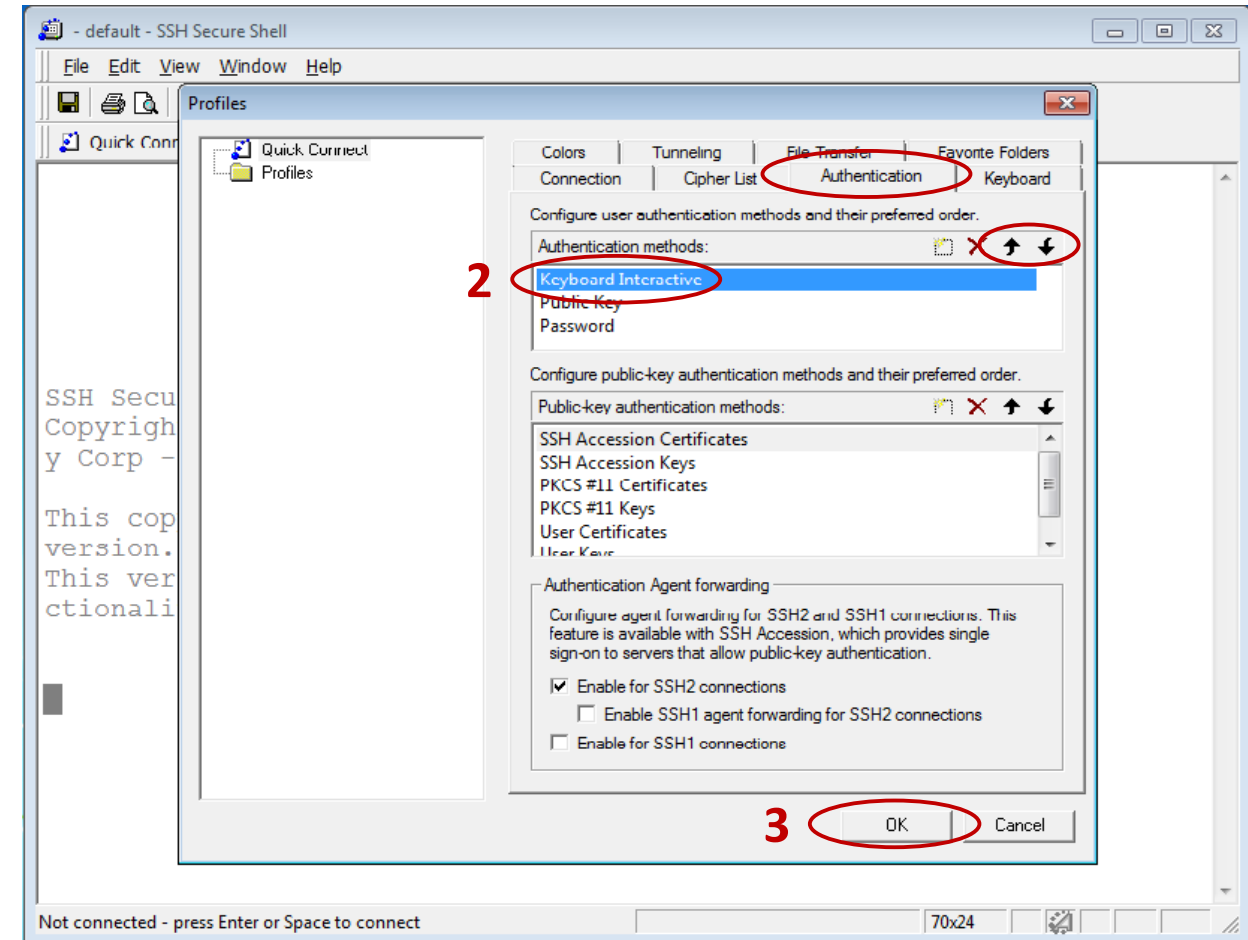
1. Download and install SSH Secure Utilities: http://eits.uga.edu/hardware_and_software/software/
2. You can use PuTTY as an alternative: <https://www.putty.org/>



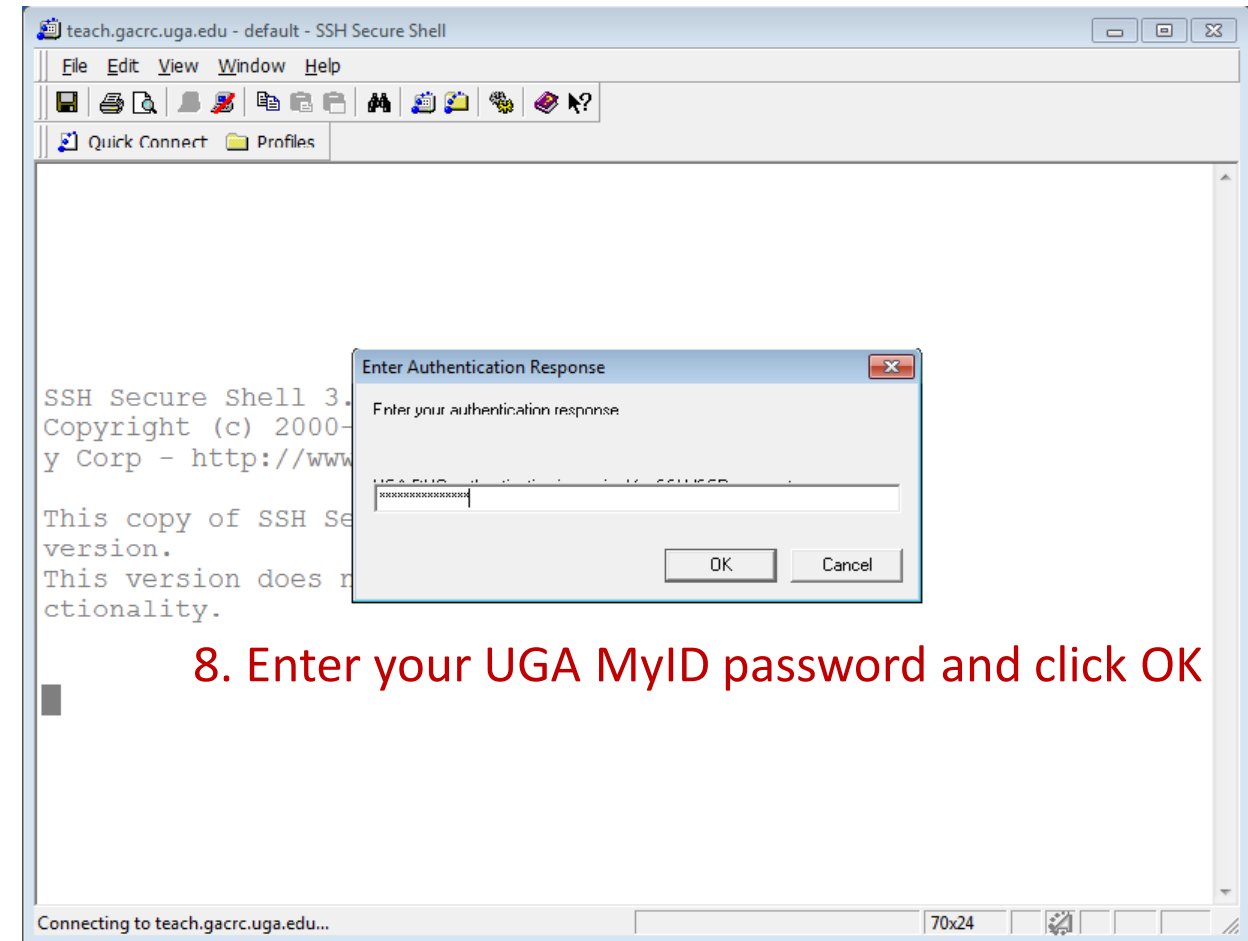
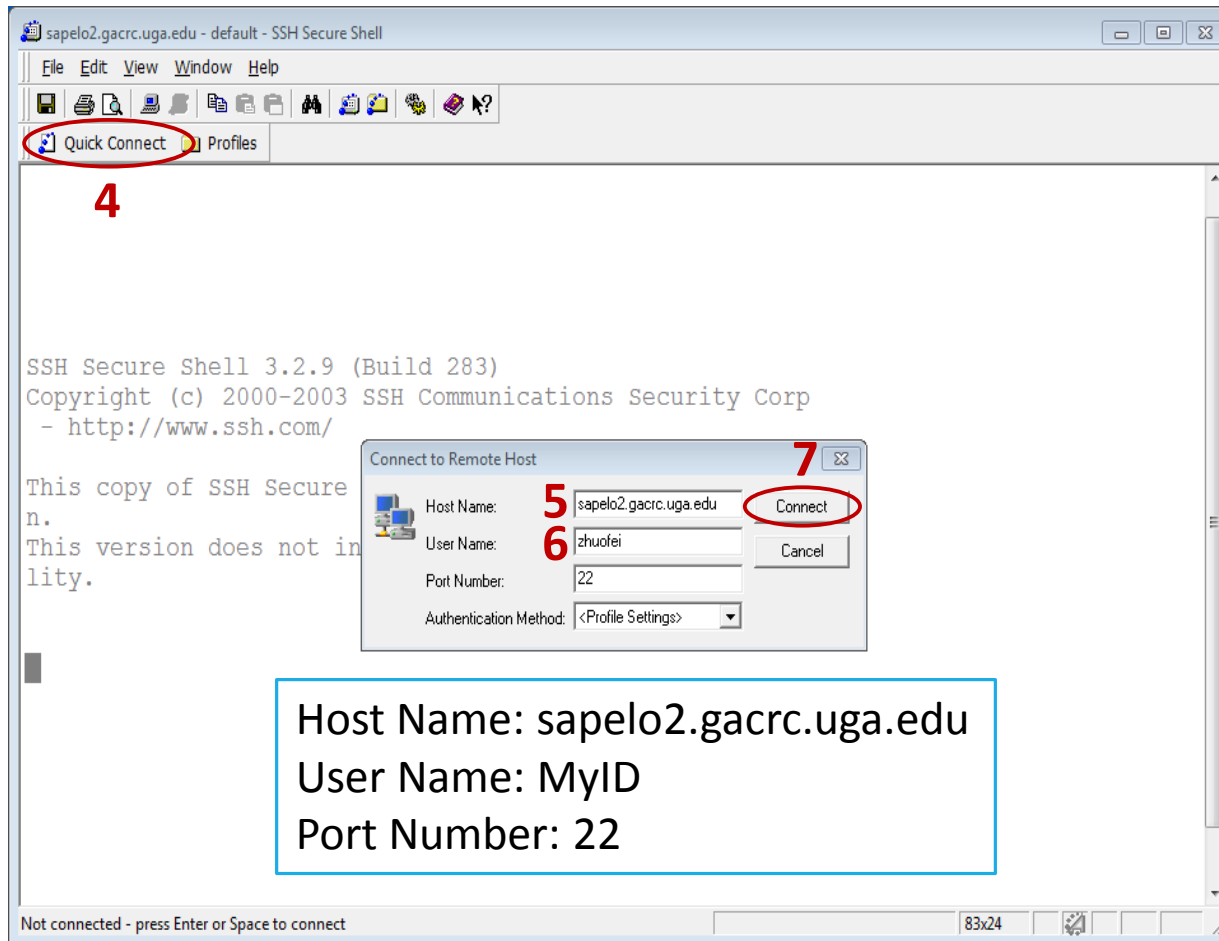
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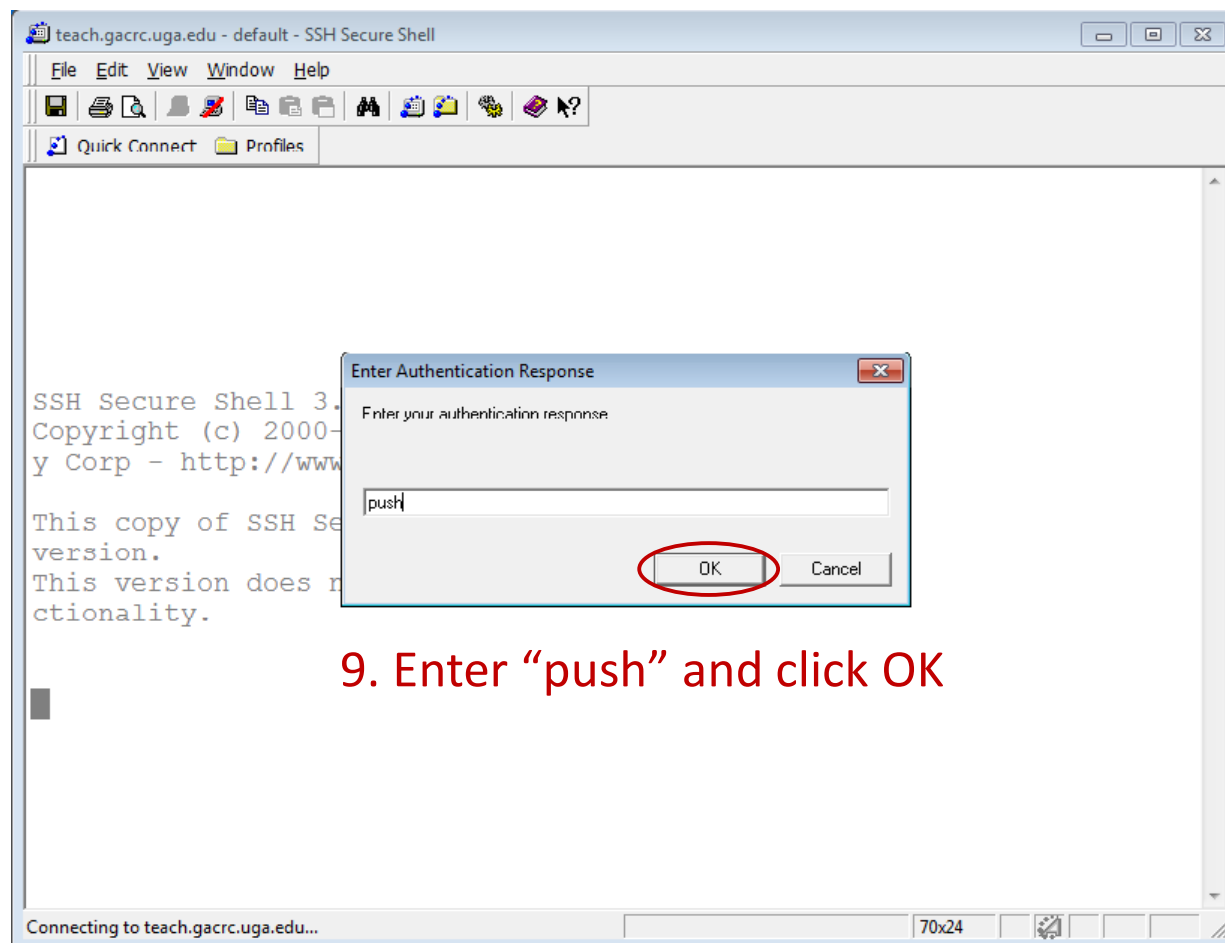
Please Note:
Authentication Method needs to be set as
Keyboard Interactive in default <profile Setting>



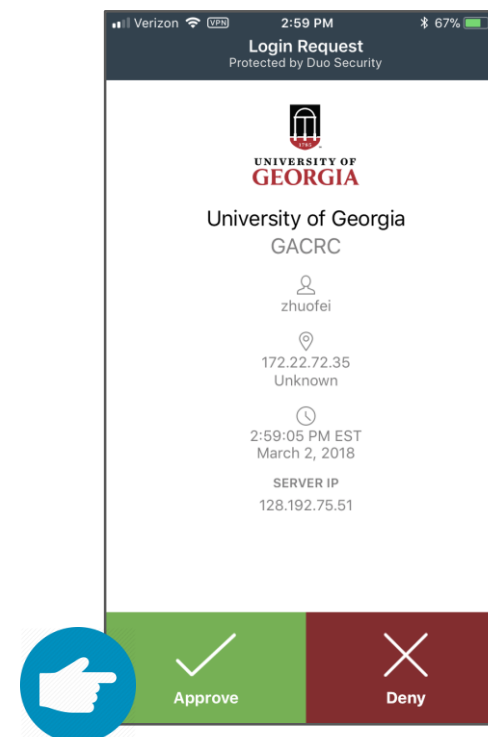
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9. Enter "push" and click OK



10. Verify login using Duo,
then you will log on!

Step2: On Login node change directory to global scratch

- 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 /scratch/MyID

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

← this is my scratch space!

- Use **ls** command to take a look in /scratch/MyID

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

Step3 - 4: Create and cd to a working subdirectory

- Use `mkdir` command to make a subdirectory in `/scratch/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 `/scratch/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

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:/scratch/zhuofei/workDir/
```

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

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

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

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

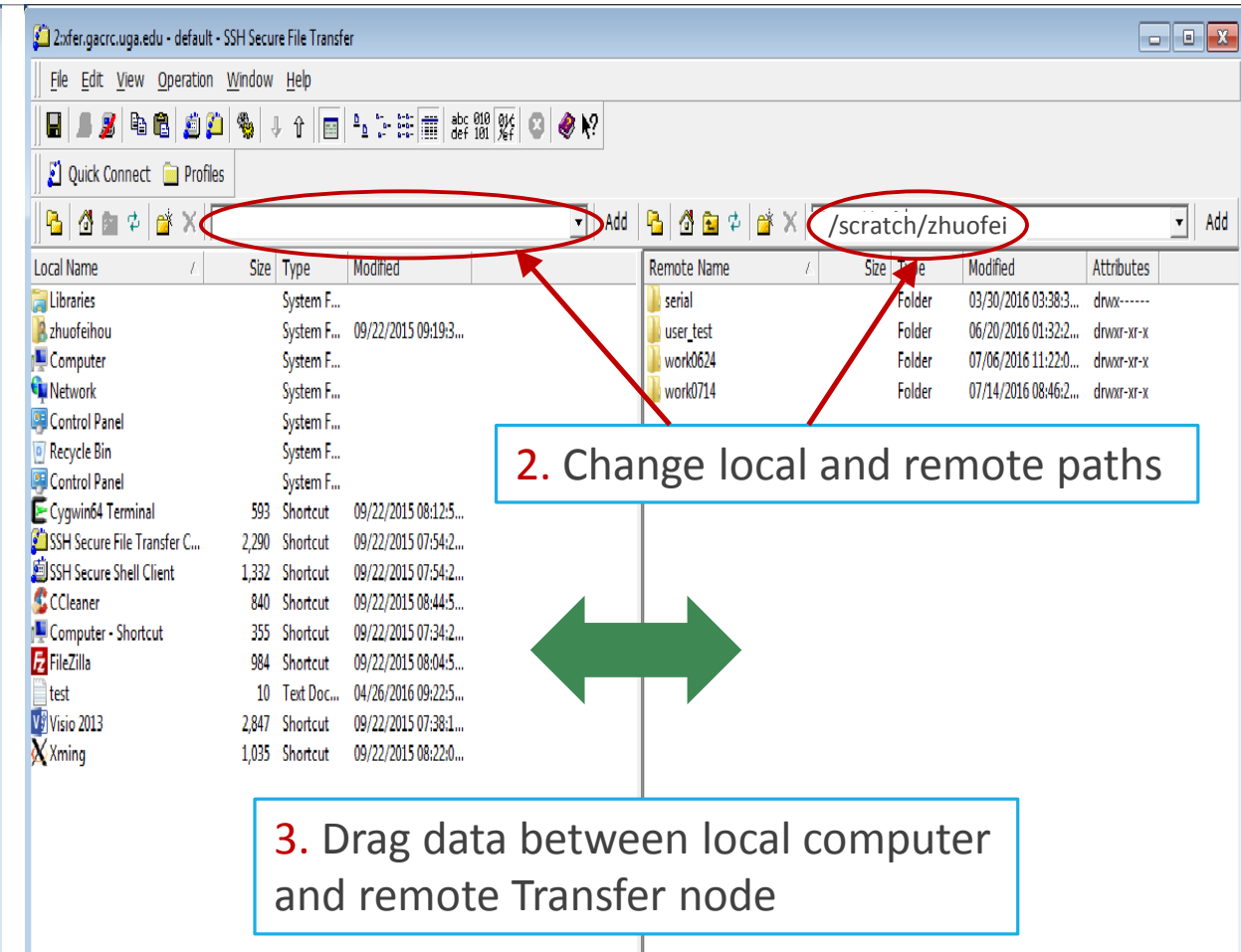
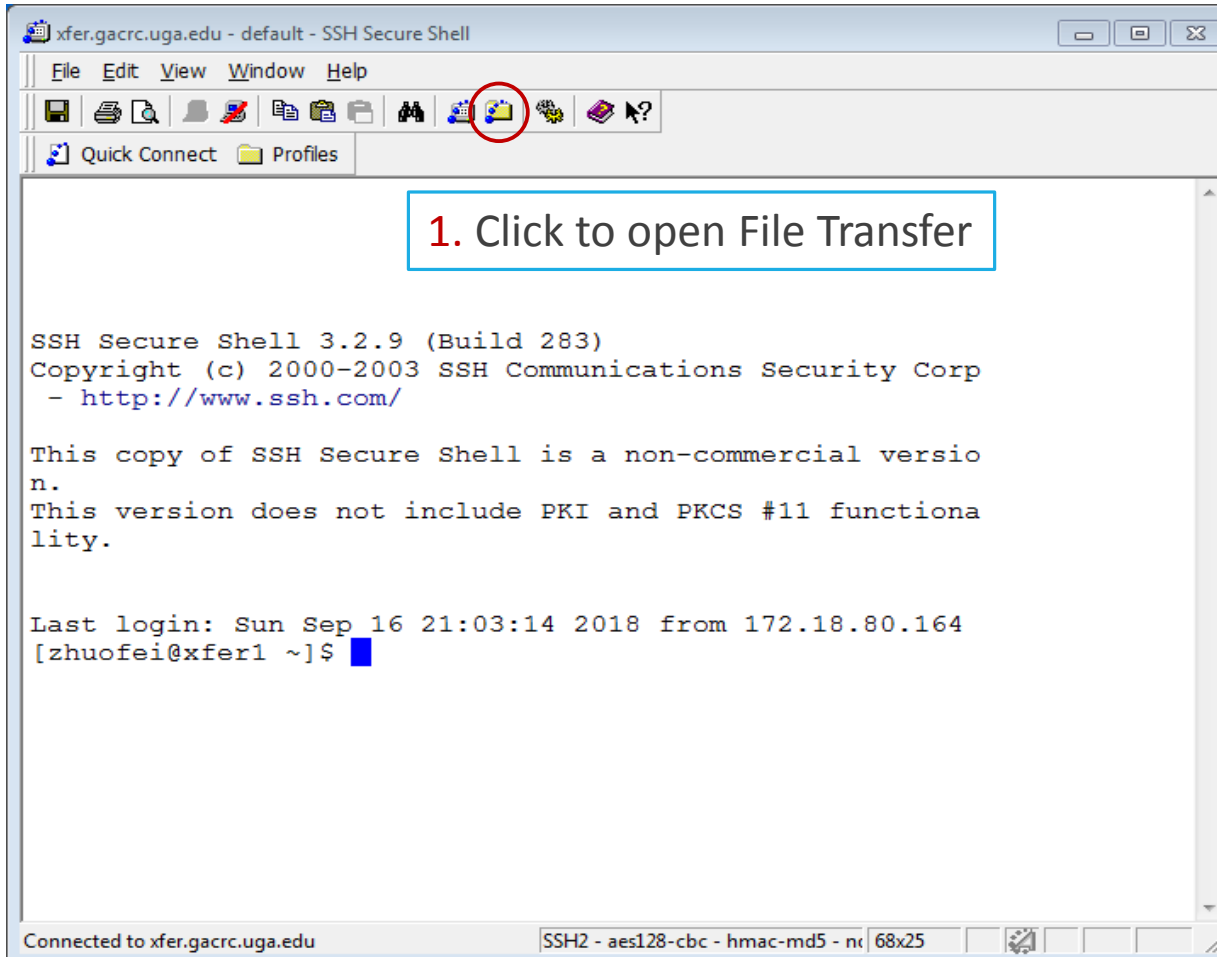
Step5 (Cont.) - Windows using SSH Secure Utilities

1. You need to connect to cluster's Transfer node (xfer.gacrc.uga.edu)
2. Use **SSH File Transfer** on local computer (alternative FileZilla or WinSCP)
3. Steps 1-10 are the same as steps on page 14-15, except for Host Name in step

Host Name: xfer.gacrc.uga.edu

4. 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

- Log on to Transfer node (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)
- You can transfer data between following directories on cluster using `cp` or `mv`:
 1. `/home/MyID` (Home)
 2. `/scratch/MyID` (Scratch)
 3. `/work/abclab` (Work)
 4. `/project/abclab` (Project)
- 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

```
$ nano sub.sh
```

nano is a small and friendly text editor on Linux.

Ctrl-x to save file and quit from nano



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
GNU nano 2.3.1 File: sub.sh Modified

#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

time bowtie2 -p 1 -x ./index/lambda_virus -U ./myreads.fq -S output.sam

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^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

```
zhuofei@sapelo2-sub2 workDir$ pwd
/scratch/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 **module 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

```
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

```
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

```
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

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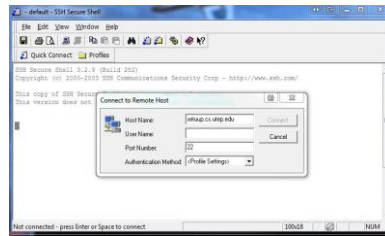
Note: qstat command will give you a long list of all jobs from all users on cluster!

Workflow Diagram

1. Linux/Mac user:

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

Windows user:



Login



2. `cd /scratch/MyID`

3. `mkdir ./workDir`

4. `cd ./workDir`

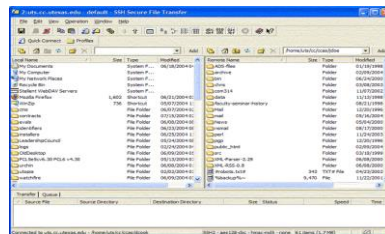


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5. Linux/Mac user:

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

Windows user:



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 yourMyID@uga.edu
#PBS -m ae

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

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

8. `$ qstat_me or
qdel JobID`

7. `$ qsub sub.sh`

GACRC Wiki <http://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu>

Running Jobs: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo2

Monitoring Jobs: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Monitoring_Jobs_on_Sapelo2

Job Submission Queue: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Job_Submission_Queues

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

Transfer File: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files

Linux Command: https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command_List

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GACRC Support

<https://uga.teamdynamix.com/TDClient/Requests/ServiceCatalog?CategoryID=11593>

➤ 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!

GACRC Service Catalog

Georgia Advanced Computing Resource Center (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 Sapelo2 New Lab/Use Account Request 2018-11-14_preTraining](#)

[GACRC Sapelo2 Cluster New Lab/Use Account Request 2018-11-05_preTraining](#)

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

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

- 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	→ Linux default shell (bash)
#PBS -q batch	→ Queue name (batch)
#PBS -N testBlast	→ Job name (testBlast)
#PBS -l nodes= 1 :ppn= 1	→ Number of nodes (1), number of cores (1), node feature is NOT needed!
#PBS -l mem= 20gb	→ Maximum amount of RAM memory (20 GB) is enforced by the cluster!
#PBS -l walltime= 48 :00:00	→ Maximum wall-clock time (48 hours) for the job, default 6 minutes
cd \$PBS_O_WORKDIR	→ Compute node will use the directory from which the job is submitted as the working directory, i.e., /lustre1/MyID/workDir
ml load BLAST+/2.6.0-foss-2016b-Python-2.7.14	→ Load the module of ncbiblast+, version 2.6.0
time blastn [options] ...	→ 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
```

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

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

→ 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)

```
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
```

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

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

→ 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

- Do NOT use Login node to run CPU/memory intensive tasks directly → submit job to queue!
- Do NOT use Login Node to transfer data between your local computer and cluster → use Transfer node!
- Do NOT use Home for storing job data → use /scratch/MyID
- Do NOT park data in Scratch or Local Scratch → clean up when job finished or exits from node
- Do NOT park data permanently in Project → download data to your local drive
- NO large memory job running on batch queue → use highmem_q
- NO small memory job running on highmem_q queue → use batch
- In general, number of threads you want to run with a parallel job = number of cores (ppn) 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! ✅

Thank You!

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