

# Introduction to GACRC Storage Environment

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# Outline

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- What is GACRC?
- Overview of Linux Commands
- GACRC Storage Environment
- Data Transferring
- Snapshot and Backup
- Best Practice Suggestions from GACRC

# What is GACRC?

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## Who Are We?

- Georgia **A**dvanced **C**omputing **R**esource **C**enter
- Collaboration between the Office of Vice President for Research (**OVPR**) and the Office of the Vice President for Information Technology (**OVPIIT**)
- Guided by a faculty advisory committee (GACRC-AC)

## Why Are We Here?

- To provide computing hardware and network infrastructure in support of high-performance computing (**HPC**) at UGA

## Where Are We?

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

# GACRC Users September 2015

<b>Colleges &amp; Schools</b>	<b>Depts</b>	<b>PIs</b>	<b>Users</b>
Franklin College of Arts and Sciences	<b>14</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>661</b>
College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	<b>9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>128</b>
College of Engineering	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>33</b>
School of Forestry & Natural Resources	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>31</b>
College of Veterinary Medicine	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>
College of Public Health	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>
College of Education	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>
Terry College of Business	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
School of Ecology	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>
School of Public and International Affairs	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
College of Pharmacy	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>40</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>970</b>
<b>Centers &amp; Institutes</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>1029</b>

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Center for Applied Isotope Study	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Center for Computational Quantum Chemistry	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
Complex Carbohydrate Research Center	<b>6</b>	<b>28</b>
Georgia Genomics Facility	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
Institute of Bioinformatics	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Savannah River Ecology Laboratory	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>
Skidaway Institute of Oceanography	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Center for Family Research	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Carl Vinson Institute of Government	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
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# Overview of Linux Commands

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- Folder Navigating
- File Copying and Moving
- File Compression and Packaging
- Disk Storage and Filesystem

# Overview of Useful Linux Commands

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## ➤ Folder Navigating

`pwd`: Print the absolute path of your current directory : `pwd`

`cd`: Change current directory : `cd ..`, `cd /`, `cd /home/yourHome`

## ➤ File Copying and Moving

`cp`: Copy files : `cp file1 file2`, `cp file1 ./subDir`

`mv`: Rename or move files : `mv file1 file2`,

`mv file1 file2 ./subDir`

# Overview of Useful Linux Commands

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## ➤ File Compression and Packaging

`gzip`: Compress files with GNU Zip

`gzip file` → Compress *file* to create *file.gz*. Original *file* is deleted

`gunzip`: Uncompress GNU Zip files

`gunzip file.gz` → Uncompress *file.gz* to create *file*. Original *file.gz* is deleted.



# Overview of Useful Linux Commands

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## ➤ File Compression and Packaging

`tar`: Pack multiple files and directories into a single file for *transport*, optionally *compressed*

```
tar -cvf myarchive.tar ./myDir
```

➔ Create package

```
tar -tvf myarchive.tar
```

➔ List contents

```
tar -xvf myarchive.tar
```

➔ Extract package

```
tar -czvf myarchive.tar.gz ./myDir
```

➔ Create & Compress

```
tar -tzvf myarchive.tar.gz
```

➔ List contents

```
tar -xzvf myarchive.tar.gz
```

➔ Uncompress & Extract

# Overview of Useful Linux Commands

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## ➤ Disk Storage and Filesystem

`ls`: List the contents (files and subdirectories) of a directory

`ls -l` → Long listing including file attributes

`ls -h` → Print file sizes in KB, MB, and GB, instead of bytes

`ls -a` → List all files, including hidden files whose names begin with a dot

`du`: Measure the disk space occupied by files and directories

`du -h` → Measure the size of current directory and all its subdirectories

`du -h file1 file2` → Measure the size of two files

# Overview of Useful Linux Commands

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## ➤ Disk Storage and Filesystem

`df`: Report on all mounted filesystems with the size, used space, and free space

`df -h` ➔ Print human-readable output, and choose the most appropriate unit for each size

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Use%	Mounted on
/dev/mapper/VolGroup01-LogVol_root	99G	14G	84G	15%	/
devtmpfs	16G	0	16G	0%	/dev
tmpfs	16G	2.4M	16G	1%	/run
/dev/sda1	486M	59M	402M	13%	/boot
/dev/mapper/VolGroup01-LogVol_home	493G	86G	406G	18%	/home

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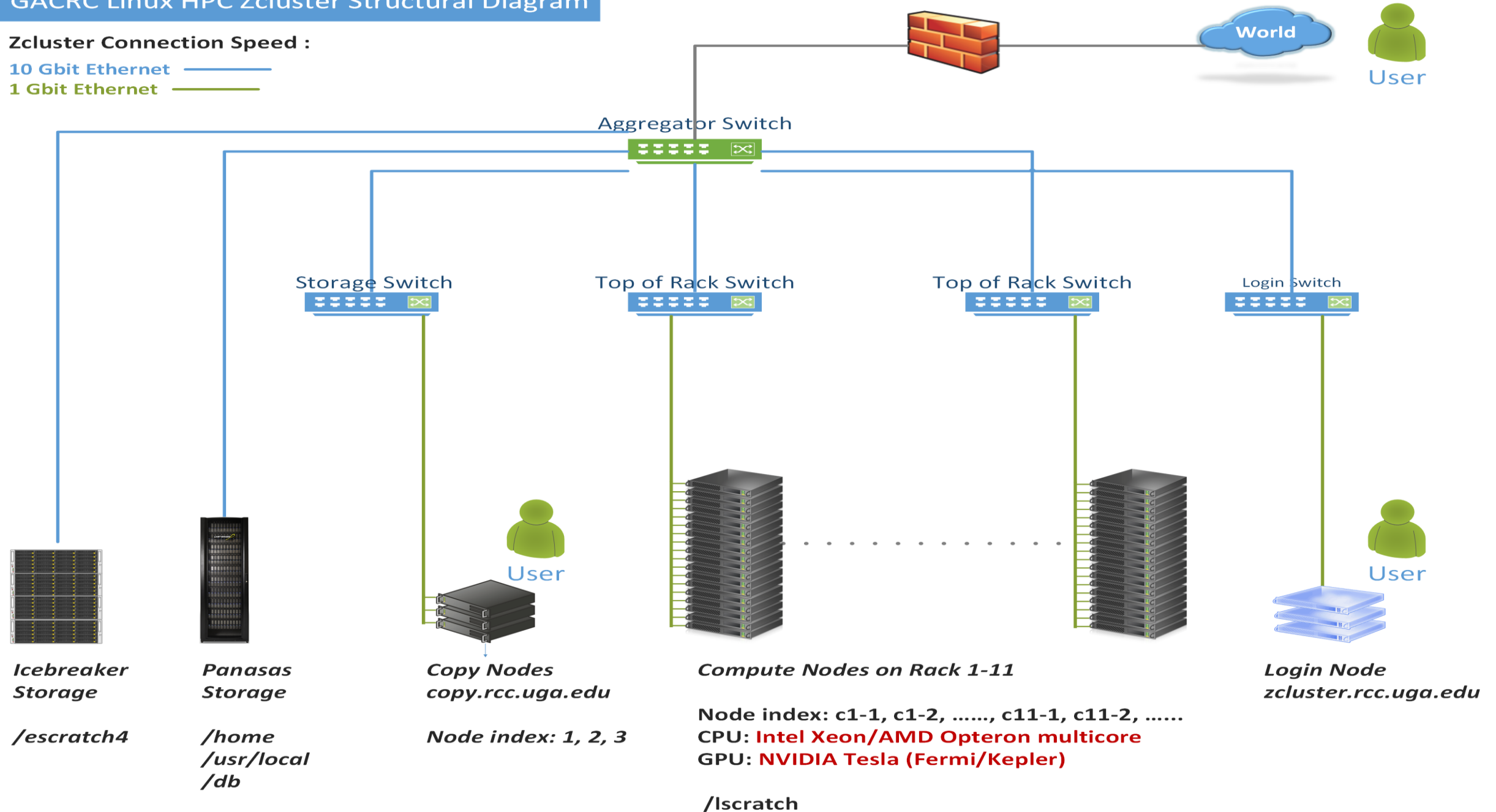
- zcluster Storage Environment
- Sapelo Storage Environment
- GACRC Storage Environment

# GACRC Linux HPC Zcluster Structural Diagram

Zcluster Connection Speed :

10 Gbit Ethernet 

1 Gbit Ethernet 



***Icebreaker  
Storage***

***/escratch4***

***Panasas  
Storage***

***/home  
/usr/local  
/db***

***Copy Nodes  
copy.rcc.uga.edu***

***Node index: 1, 2, 3***

***Compute Nodes on Rack 1-11***

***Node index: c1-1, c1-2, ....., c11-1, c11-2, .....***

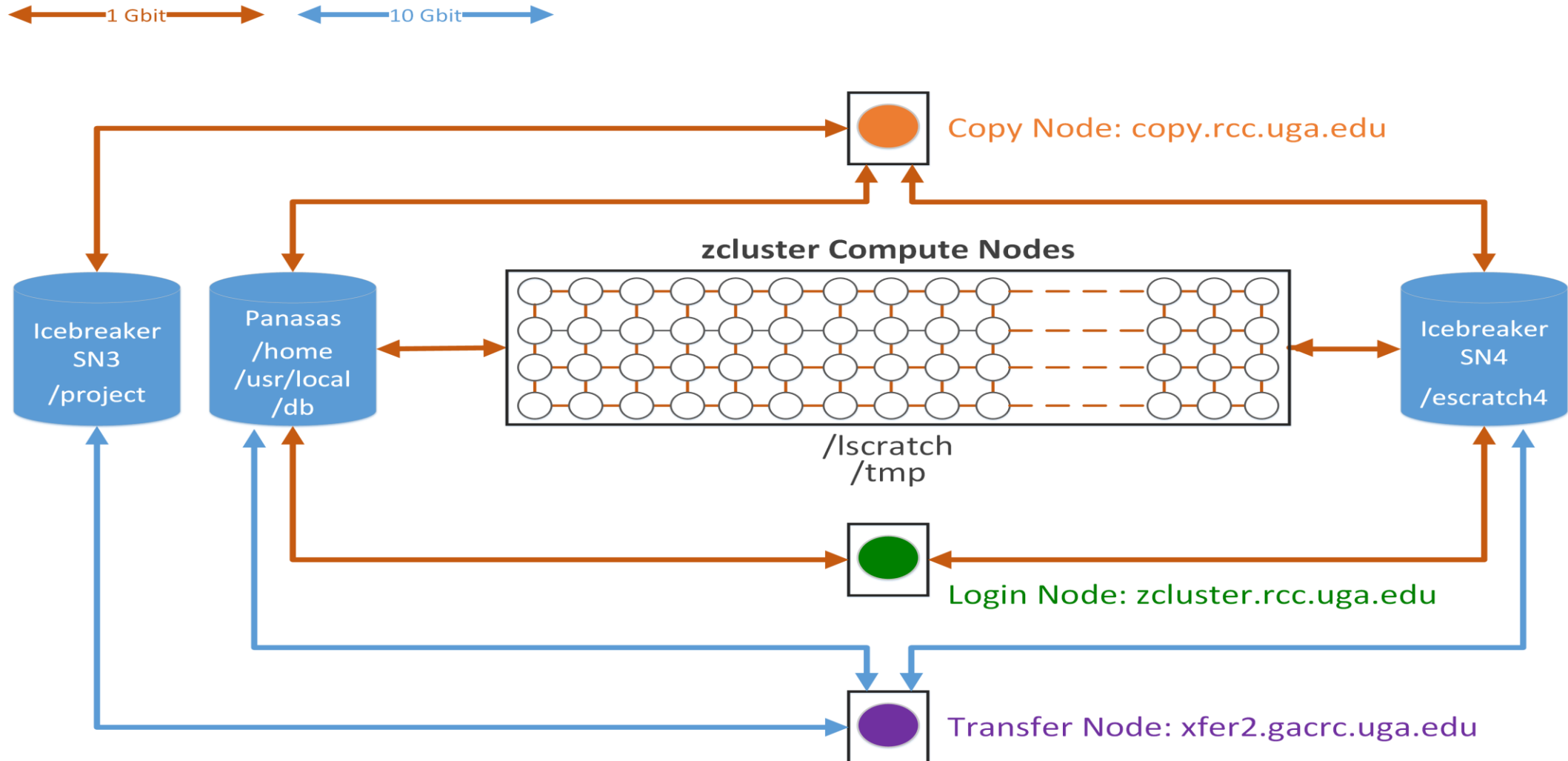
***CPU: Intel Xeon/AMD Opteron multicore***

***GPU: NVIDIA Tesla (Fermi/Kepler)***

***/lscratch***

***Login Node  
zcluster.rcc.uga.edu***

# zcluster Storage Environment



# zcluster Storage Environment

Filesystem	Role	Quota	Accessible from	Intended Use	Notes
/home/abclab/username	Home	100GB	zcluster.rcc.uga.edu (Login) Interactive nodes (Interactive)	Highly static data being used frequently	Snapshots
/escratch4/username	Scratch	4TB	copy.rcc.uga.edu (Copy) xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu (Transfer) compute nodes (Compute)	Temporarily storing large data being used by jobs	Auto-deleted in 37 days
/lscratch/username	Local Scratch	18 ~ 370GB	Individual compute node	Jobs with heavy disk I/O	User to clean up
/project/abclab	Storage	Variable	copy.rcc.uga.edu (Copy) xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu (Transfer)	Long-term data storage	Group sharing possible

- Note:
1. /usr/local : Software installation directory  
/db : bioinformatics database installation directory
  2. To login to **Interactive** nodes, use **qlogin** from **Login** node

# zcluster Storage Environment

6 Main Function	On/From-Node	Related Filesystem
Login Landing	Login or Copy	/home/abclab/username (Home) (Always!)
Batch Job Submitting	Login or Interactive	/escratch4/username (Scratch) (Suggested!) /home/abclab/username (Home)
Interactive Job Running	Interactive	/escratch4/username (Scratch) /home/abclab/username (Home)
Data Archiving , Compressing and Transferring	Copy or Transfer	/escratch4/username (Scratch) /home/abclab/username (Home)
Job Data Temporarily Storing	Compute	/lscratch/username (Local Scratch) /escratch4/username (Scratch)
Long-term Data Storing	Copy or Transfer	/project/abclab



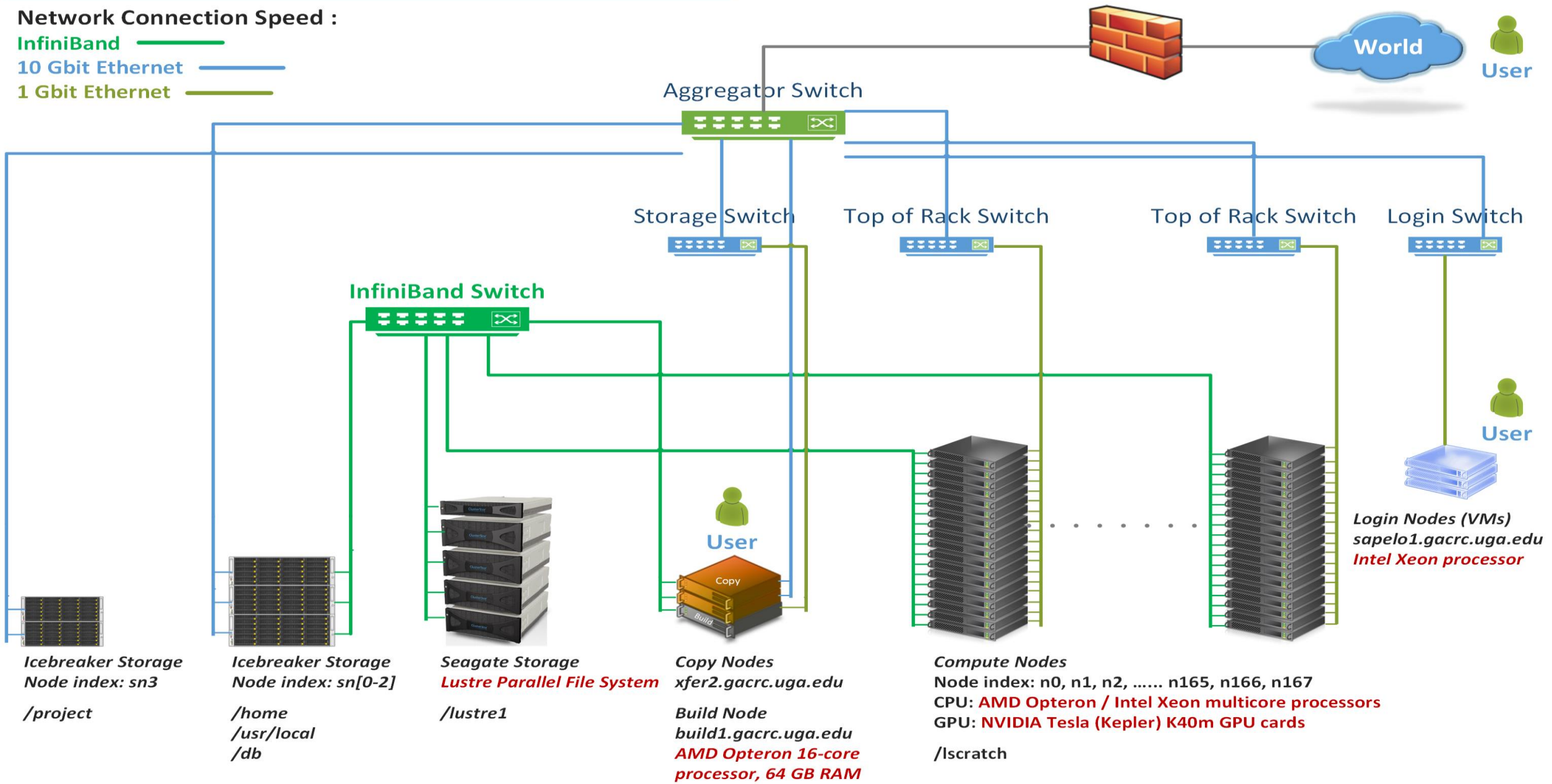
# The New GACRC Linux HPC Cluster Structural Diagram

**Network Connection Speed :**

**InfiniBand** 

**10 Gbit Ethernet** 

**1 Gbit Ethernet** 



**Icebreaker Storage**  
Node index: sn3

/project

**Icebreaker Storage**  
Node index: sn[0-2]

/home  
/usr/local  
/db

**Seagate Storage**  
**Lustre Parallel File System**

/lustre1

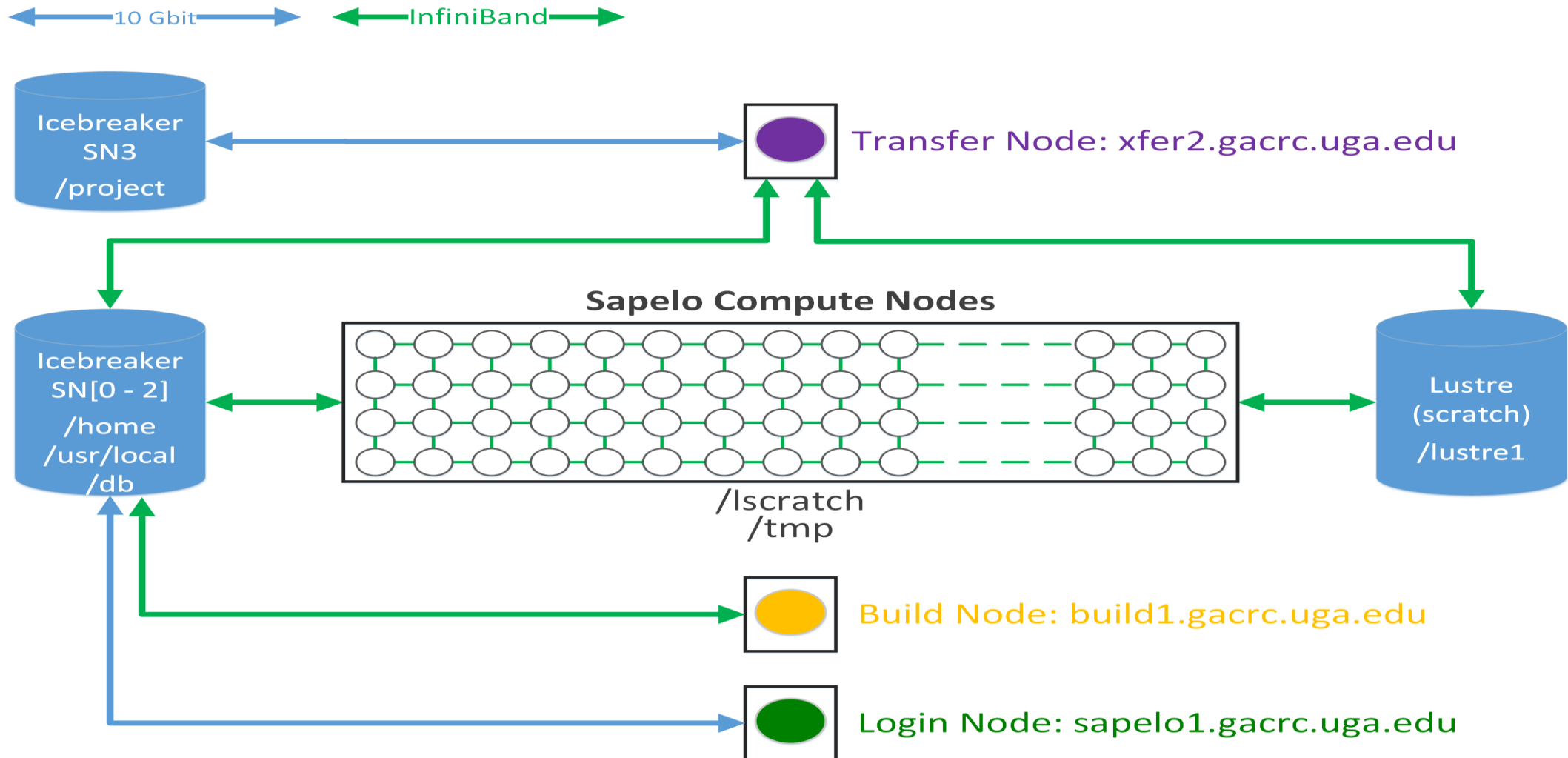
**Copy Nodes**  
xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu

**Build Node**  
build1.gacrc.uga.edu  
**AMD Opteron 16-core processor, 64 GB RAM**

**Compute Nodes**  
Node index: n0, n1, n2, ..... n165, n166, n167  
**CPU: AMD Opteron / Intel Xeon multicore processors**  
**GPU: NVIDIA Tesla (Kepler) K40m GPU cards**  
/lscratch

**Login Nodes (VMs)**  
sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu  
**Intel Xeon processor**

# Sapelo Storage Environment



# Sapelo Storage Environment

Filesystem	Role	Quota	Accessible from	Intended Use	Notes
/home/username	Home	100GB	<a href="http://sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu">sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu</a> (Login) Interactive nodes (Interactive) <a href="http://xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu">xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu</a> (Transfer) <a href="http://build1.gacrc.uga.edu">build1.gacrc.uga.edu</a> (Build) compute nodes (Compute)	Highly static data being used frequently	Snapshots
/lustre1/username	Scratch	No Limit	<a href="http://Interactive nodes">Interactive nodes</a> (Interactive) <a href="http://xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu">xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu</a> (Transfer) compute nodes (Compute)	Temporarily storing large data being used by jobs	Auto-moved to /project if 30 days no modification
/lscratch/username	Local Scratch	250GB	Individual compute node	Jobs with heavy disk I/O	User to clean up
/project/abclab	Storage	Variable	<a href="http://xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu">xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu</a> (Transfer)	Long-term data storage	Group sharing possible

- Note:
1. /usr/local/apps : Software installation directory  
 /db : bioinformatics database installation directory
  2. To login to [Interactive](#) nodes, use [qlogin](#) from [Login](#) node

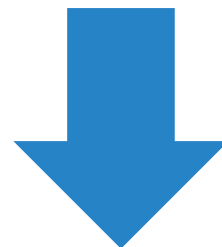
# Sapelo Storage Environment

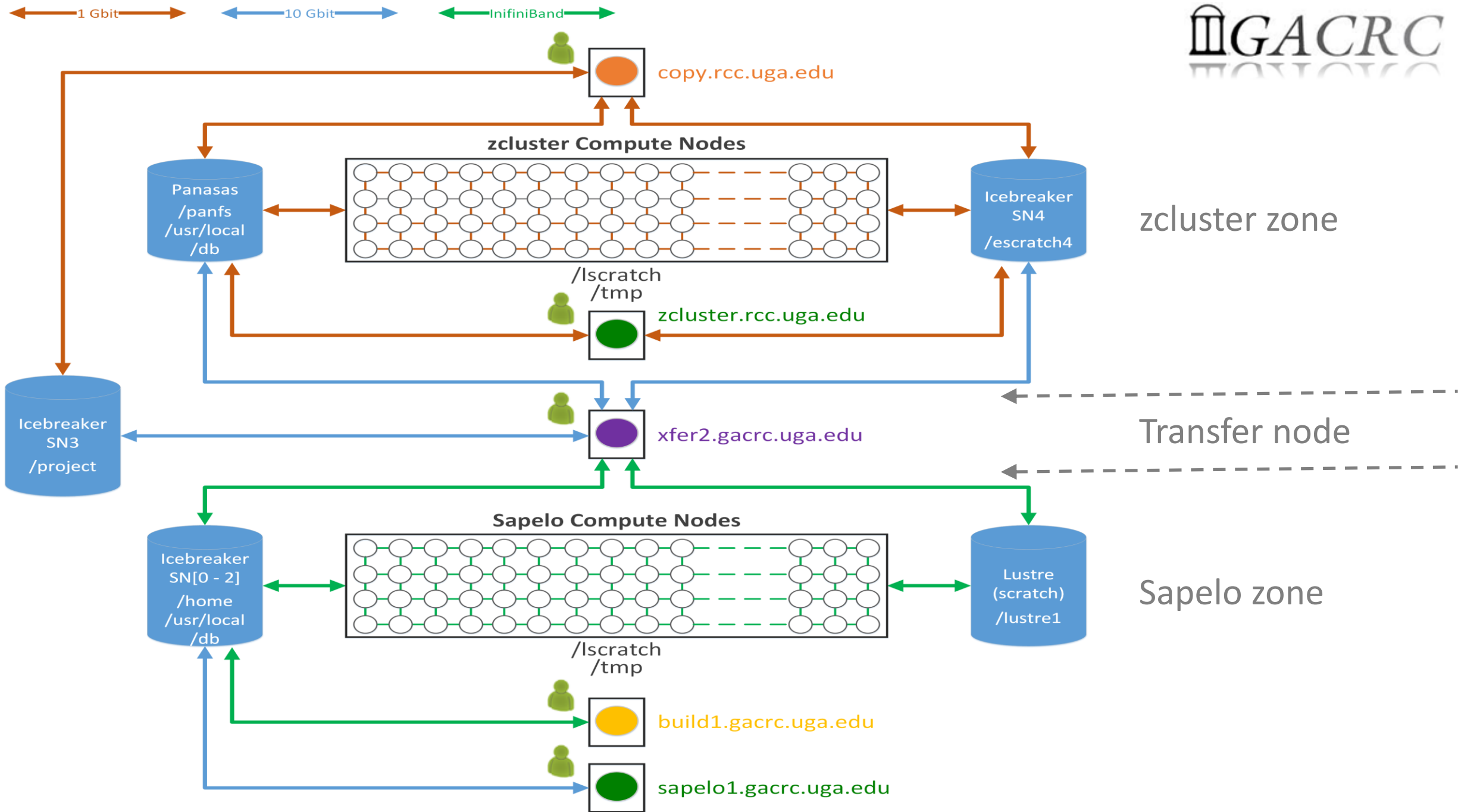
7 Main Functions	On/From-Node	Related Filesystem
Login Landing	Login or Transfer or Build	/home/username (Home) ( <b>Always!</b> )
Batch Job Submitting	Login	/home/username (Home)
	Interactive	/lustre1/username (Scratch) ( <b>Suggested!</b> ) /home/username (Home)
Interactive Job Running	Interactive	/lustre1/username (Scratch) /home/username (Home)
Data Archiving , Compressing and Transferring	Transfer	/lustre1/username (Scratch) /home/username (Home)
Job Data Temporarily Storing	Compute	/lscratch/username (Local Scratch) /lustre1/username (Scratch)
Long-term Data Storing	Copy or Transfer	/project/abclab
Code Compilation	Build	/home/username (Home)

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What you should know about **xfer2** ([xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu](http://xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu)):

- ✓ **Transfer node** b/w zcluster and Sapelo + **Copy node** of Sapelo
- ✓ Home directory on **xfer2** = Home directory on **Login** of Sapelo : `/home/username`
- ✓ File systems on **xfer2**:
  - `/home/username` : Sapelo home
  - `/panfs/pstor.storage/home/abclab/username` : zcluster home
  - `/lustre1/username` : Sapelo scratch
  - `/escratch4/username` : zcluster scratch
  - `/project/abclab` : long-term archival storage
- ✓ Most file systems on **xfer2** are **auto-mounted** upon **the first time full-path access**, e.g., `cd /lustre1/username`. The command `ls` and TAB auto-completion may not work if the file system has not been mounted.

# GACRC Storage Environment

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What you should know about **Copy** ([copy.zcluster.rcc.uga.edu](http://copy.zcluster.rcc.uga.edu)):

- ✓ **Copy node** of zcluster
- ✓ Home directory on **Copy** = Home directory on **Login** of zcluster : `/home/abclab/username`
- ✓ File systems on **Copy**:
  - `/home/abclab/username` : zcluster home
  - `/escratch4/username` : zcluster scratch
  - `/project/abclab` : long-term archival storage
- ✓ `/project` file system on **Copy** is **auto-mounted** upon **the first time full-path access**, e.g., `cd /project/abclab/username`. The command `ls` and TAB auto-completion may not work if the file system has not been mounted.



# Data Transferring

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- b/w two filesystems on zcluster
- b/w two filesystems on Sapelo
- b/w local and GACRC Storage
- b/w GACRC zcluster and Sapelo
- b/w Internet and GACRC Storage
- Refer to [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring\\_Files](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Transferring_Files)

# Data Transferring b/w two filesystems on zcluster

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- Transfer interactively:
  - ✓ Login to **Copy**
  - ✓ Use **cd** to change directory
  - ✓ Use **cp** or **mv** to copy or move data
  
- Transfer by copy queue:
  - ✓ Create copying job submission script: **copy.sh**, e.g.:
 

```
#!/bin/bash
cd ${HOME}
cp -r dataDir /project/abclab/username
```
  - ✓ Submit to copyq: **qsub -q copyq copy.sh**

# Data Transferring b/w two filesystems on Sapelo

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- /lustre1 scratch is visible on **xfer2** or **Interactive**, NOT on **Login**!
- Transfer interactively on **xfer2**:
  - ✓ Login to **xfer2**
  - ✓ Use **cd** to change directory
  - ✓ Use **cp** or **mv** to copy or move data

# Data Transferring b/w local and GACRC Storage

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- zcluster users:
  - ✓ Use **Copy**
  - ✓ Linux/Mac OS X machine: *scp*, *sftp*, or *FileZilla*
  - ✓ Windows machine: *SSH file Transfer*, *FileZilla*, or *WinSCP*
- Sapelo users:
  - ✓ Use **xfer2**
  - ✓ Linux/Mac OS X machine: *scp*, *sftp*, or *FileZilla*
  - ✓ Windows machine: *SSH file Transfer*, *FileZilla*, or *WinSCP*

# Data Transferring b/w GACRC zcluster and Sapelo

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- All users having zcluster and Sapelo accounts:
  - ✓ Login to **xfer2**
  - ✓ Filesystems on **xfer2**:
    - /home/username : Sapelo home
    - /panfs/pstor.storage/home/abclab/username : zcluster home
    - /lustre1/username : Sapelo scratch
    - /escratch4/username : zcluster scratch
    - /project/abclab : long-term archival storage
  - ✓ Use **cd** to change directory
  - ✓ Use **cp** or **mv** to copy or move data

# Data Transferring b/w Internet and GACRC Storage

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- zcluster users: Login to [Copy \(copy.rcc.uga.edu\)](http://copy.rcc.uga.edu)
- Sapelo users: Login to [xfer2 \(xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu\)](http://xfer2.gacrc.uga.edu)
- Use command `wget` or `curl` to download software from internet, e.g.,

```
wget http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/data/view/SRR1183952
```

```
Curl -OL http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/data/view/SRR1183952
```

# Snapshot

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- Only **homes** on zcluster and Sapelo are snapshotted!

*Note: home is for **highly static** data being used frequently*

- Snapshots are **completely invisible**, **read-only**, and **moment-in-time**.
- **4 daily** ones and **1 weekly** one are maintained.
- Snapshots are **eating up** your Sapelo home **100GB**, if there are frequent data modifications in home.

# Backup

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- Backup environment has not been implemented by GACRC yet.
- In the future, file systems to be included in GACRC Backup:

Zcluster /home

Sapelo /home

Sapelo /project



# Best Practice Suggestions from GACRC

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1. From **scratch** (Sapelo /lustre1 or zcluster /escratch4), instead of from home, to submit your batch jobs or run your interactive jobs!

*Question: How to submit batch jobs from scratch?*

**1) From Sapelo /lustre1:**

*Method 1:* Login to **Interactive** (qlogin) → `cd /lustre1/username` → submit job

*Method 2:* Login to **Login** → Put `cd /lustre1/username` in job submission script → submit job

**2) From zcluster /escratch4:**

*Method 1:* Login to **Login** → `cd /escratch4/username` → submit job

*Method 2:* Login to **Interactive** (qlogin) → `cd /escratch4/username` → submit job

# Best Practice Suggestions from GACRC

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2. **Clean Up Files** that are not needed from scratch
3. **Move Files** from scratch to /project for long-term storage
4. **Compress Files**, especially text files in /project, to save space



**Please Do NOT Park Your Data in Scratch!**

Otherwise, whole system scratching performance will be affected, and your and others' job will be affected!

Thank You!

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