

# HPC-NOW User Manual

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## I. About this Software

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## II. Quick Installation and Start

### 2.1 Download the Installer

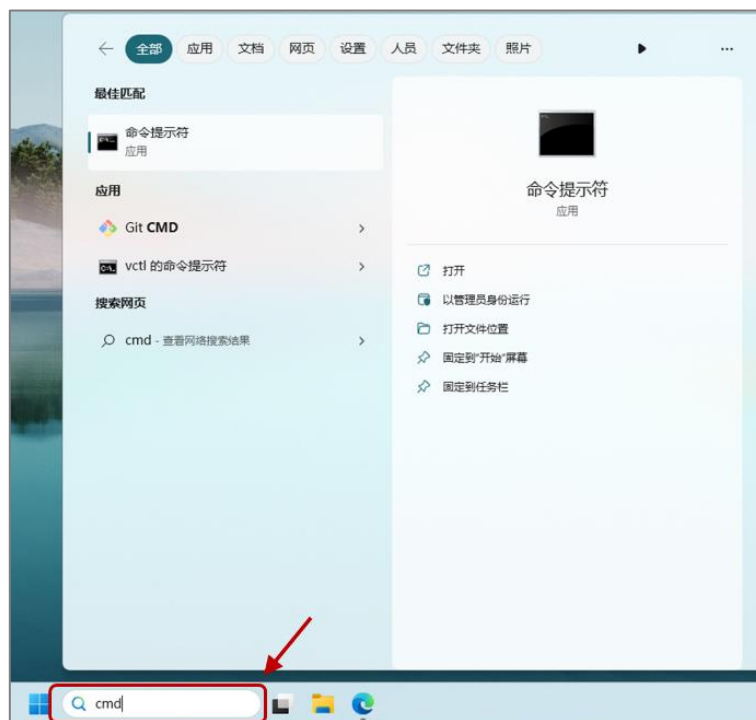
The latest main version of the installer is 0.2.0. Please use the curl toolkit to download the installer. Normally, your OS distribution contains the curl toolkit, which can be executed by the command "curl". If this is not the case, you can visit the [official website of curl](#) to download and install it to your OS. If you are using a GNU/Linux distro, you can install curl with the package manager such as YUM | DNF | APT.

Here are the download links of the installer:

Operating System	Versions/Distros	Links
Microsoft Windows	Windows 10/11 Windows Server 2019	<a href="#">Windows</a>
GNU/Linux	Ubuntu 18.04 LTS Ubuntu 20.04 LTS Ubuntu 22.04 LTS CentOS Stream 9 CentOS 8	<a href="#">GNU/Linux</a>
macOS	Monterey (12.0) Ventura (13.0)	<a href="#">macOS</a>

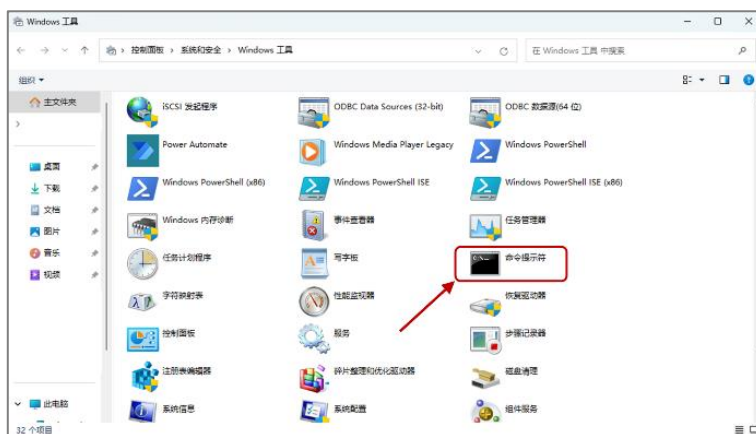
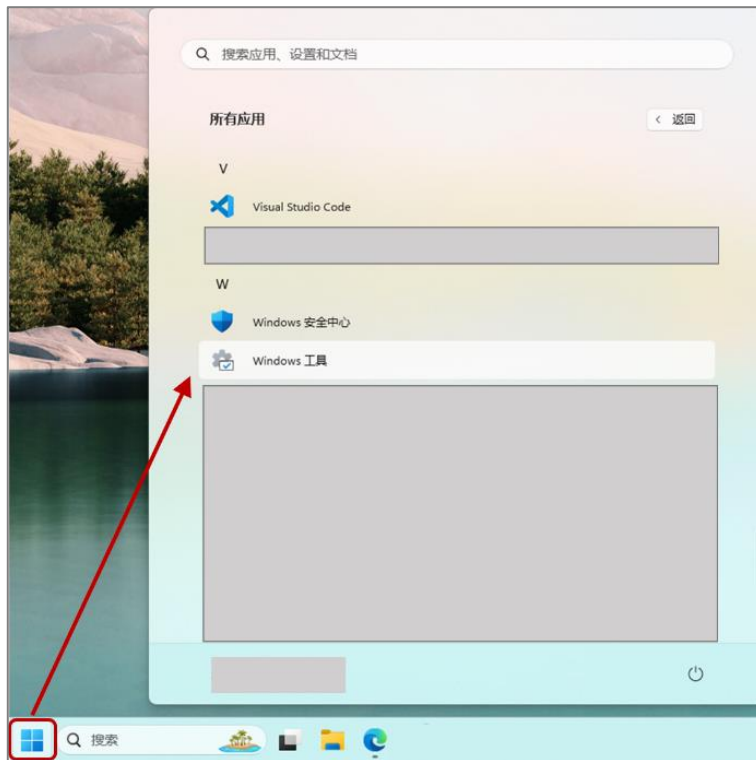
### 2.1.1 Microsoft Windows

- 1) If there is search box on the toolbar, you can type 'cmd' in it. Please DO NOT click the icon or press the ENTER key.



If the search box is absent, you can find the Command Prompt icon by the path below:

Windows icon  - All Apps - Windows Tools - Command Prompt



- 2) Right click on the “Command Prompt” icon, single click on the “Run as Administrator” icon. If the UAC (User Account Control) window appears, please click “Yes” to grant the temporary permission for downloading and installing the HPC-NOW platform.





- 3) Please paste the command line below to download the installer to your local directory:  
`c:\users\public\installer.exe`

```
curl https://hpc-now-1308065454.cos.ap-guangzhou.myqcloud.com/installer-dev/installer-win-0.2.0-latest.exe -o c:\users\public\installer.exe
```

## 2.1.2 GNU/Linux

- 1) Open the Terminal
- 2) Run the command below to download installer to your local directory:  
`/tmp/installer.exe`

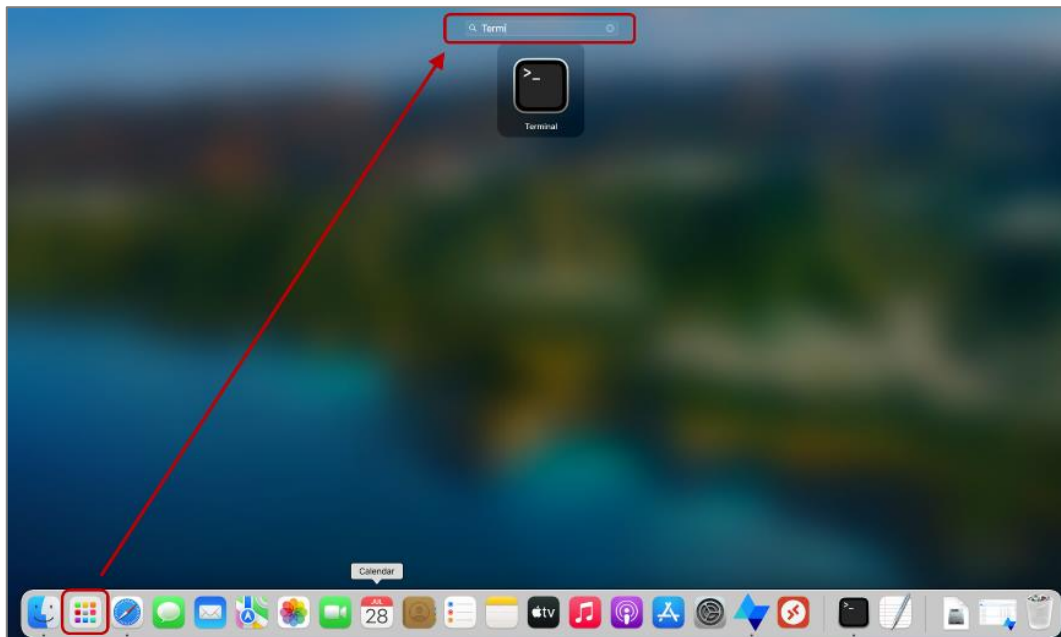
```
curl https://hpc-now-1308065454.cos.ap-guangzhou.myqcloud.com/installer-dev/installer-lin-0.2.0-latest.exe -o /tmp/installer.exe
```

- 3) Run the command below to make the installer executable:

```
chmod +x /tmp/installer.exe
```

### 2.1.3 macOS

- 1) Click the Launchpad icon on the Dock. Type 'terminal' in the search box and click the Terminal icon.



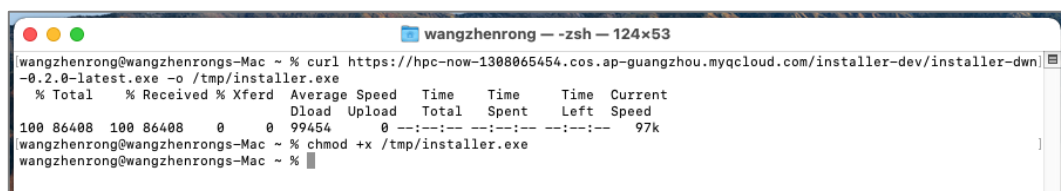
- 2) Run the command below to download installer to your local directory:

`/tmp/installer.exe`

```
curl https://hpc-now-1308065454.cos.ap-guangzhou.myqcloud.com/installer-dev/installer-dwn-0.2.0-latest.exe -o /tmp/installer.exe
```

- 3) Run the command below to make the installer executable:

`chmod +x /tmp/installer.exe`



Now, you have downloaded the installer to your local directory:

Microsoft Windows: `C:\Users\Public\installer.exe`

GNU/Linux: `/tmp/installer.exe`

MacOS: `/tmp/installer.exe`

## 2.2 Install the HPC-NOW Services

The installation process needs admin privilege. For Microsoft Windows, you need to run the installer command as Administrator; for GNU/Linux or macOS, you need to run the installer command with 'sudo'.

### 2.2.1 Microsoft Windows

Please run a Command Prompt Window as Administrator and run the command below to start automatic installation:

```
c:\users\public\installer.exe install
```

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```
C:\Windows\System32>c:\users\public\installer.exe install
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[ -INFO- ] If you accept the terms and conditions above, please input 'accept',
          If you do not accept, this installation will exit immediately.
[ INPUT: ] Please input ( case-sensitive )  accept
[ -INFO- ] Checking and cleaning up current environment ...
[ -INFO- ] Adding the specific user 'hpc-now' to your OS ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating and configuring the running directory ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating a random file for encryption/decryption ...
[ -INFO- ] Will download the latest 'hpcopr' from the default URL.
[ -INFO- ] Will download the component 'now-crypto.exe' from the default URL.

[ -INFO- ] Congratulations! The HPC-NOW services are ready to run!
          The user 'hpc-now' has been created with initial password: nowadmin2023~
          Please follow the steps below:
          1. net user hpc-now YOUR_COMPLEX_PASSWORD
          2. runas /savecred /user:mymachine\hpc-now cmd
          * You will be required to input the password set just now.
          3. In the new CMD window, run hpcopr envcheck
[ -DONE- ] Enjoy you Cloud HPC journey! Exit now.

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```

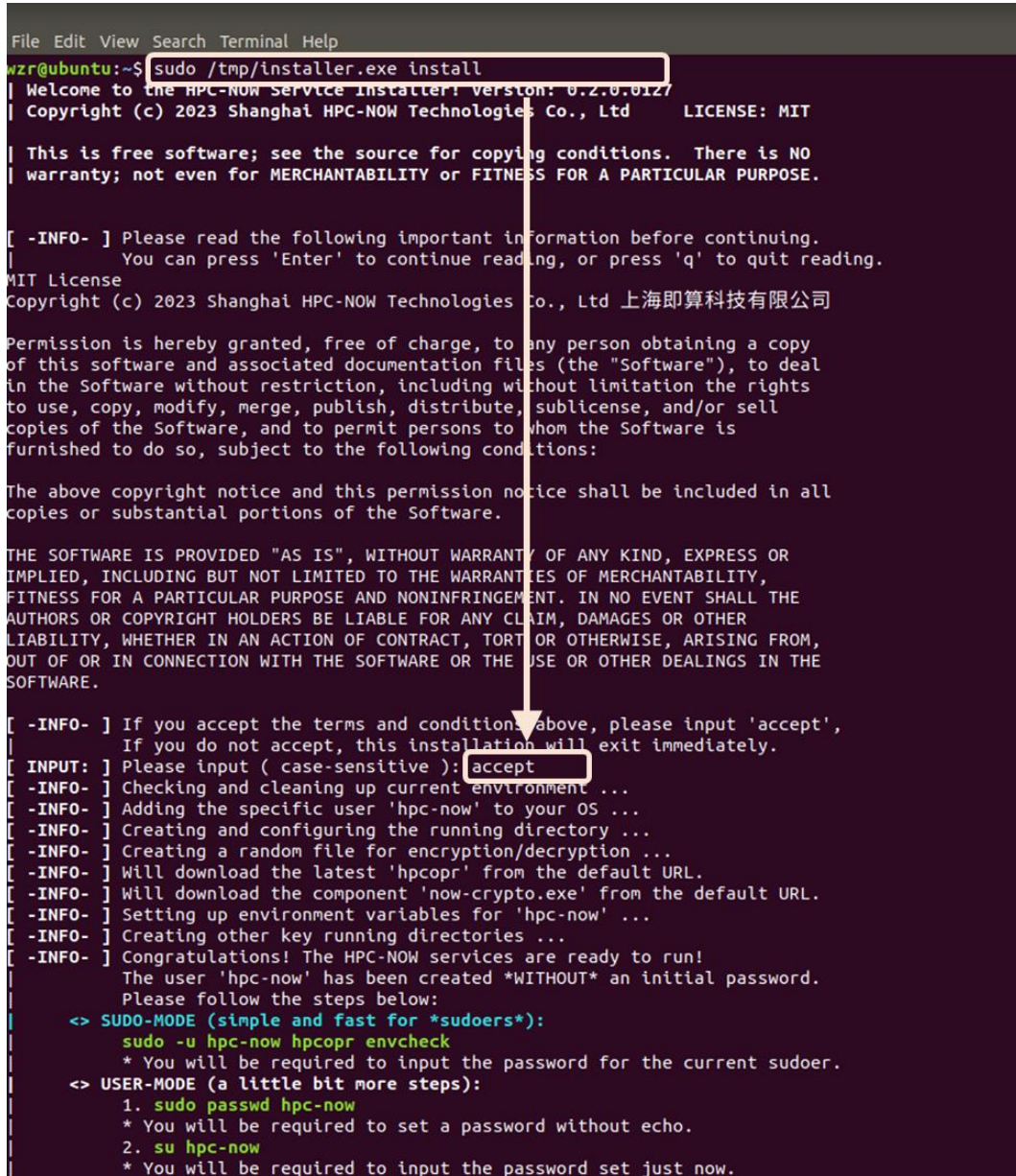


### 2.2.2 GNU/Linux

Open the Terminal and run the command below:

```
sudo /tmp/installer.exe install
```

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```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
wzr@ubuntu:~$ sudo /tmp/installer.exe install
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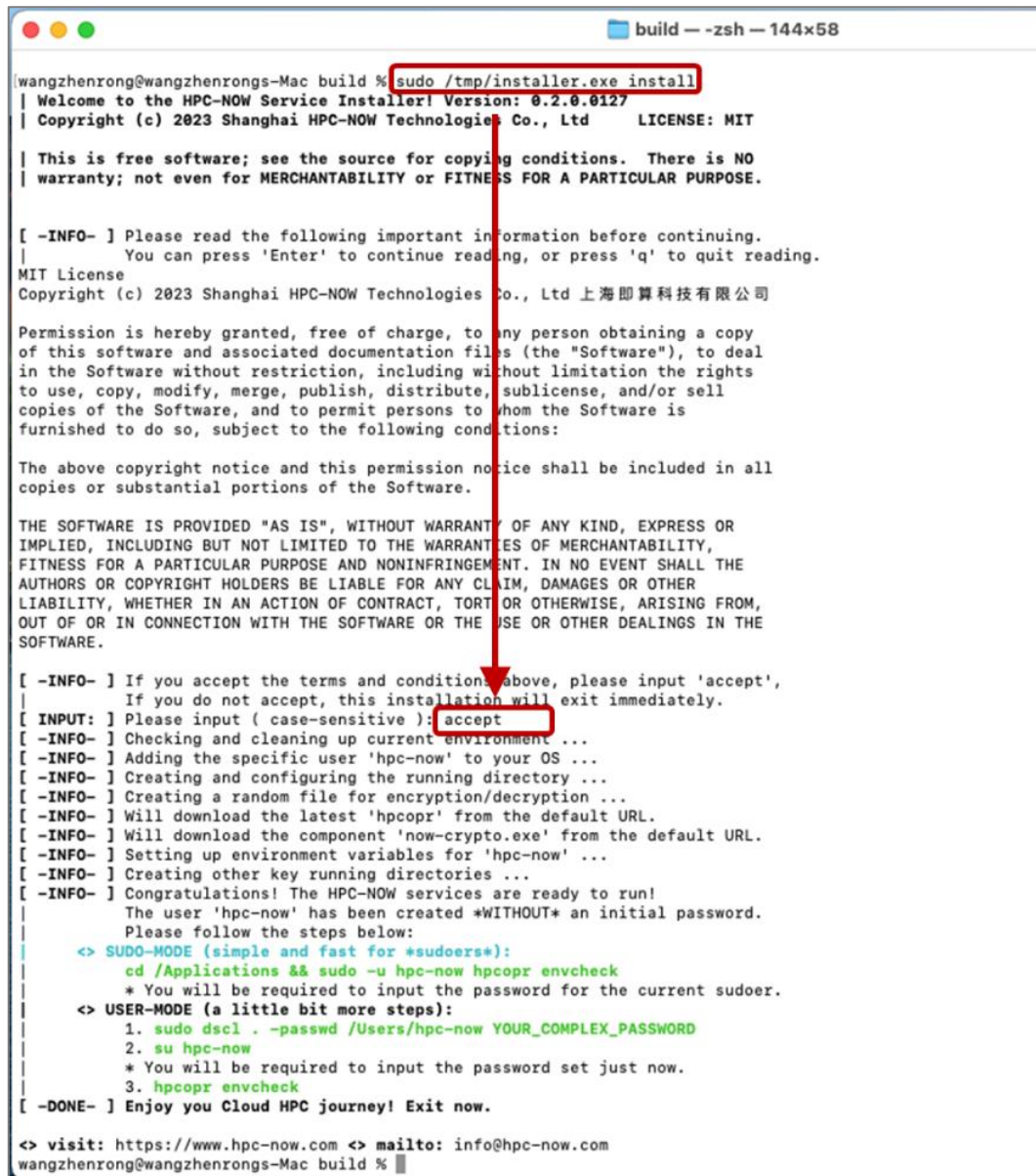
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[ -INFO- ] Adding the specific user 'hpc-now' to your OS ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating and configuring the running directory ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating a random file for encryption/decryption ...
[ -INFO- ] Will download the latest 'hpcopr' from the default URL.
[ -INFO- ] Will download the component 'now-crypto.exe' from the default URL.
[ -INFO- ] Setting up environment variables for 'hpc-now' ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating other key running directories ...
[ -INFO- ] Congratulations! The HPC-NOW services are ready to run!
          The user 'hpc-now' has been created *WITHOUT* an initial password.
          Please follow the steps below:
          <-> SUDO-MODE (simple and fast for *sudoers*):
                sudo -u hpc-now hpcopr envcheck
                * You will be required to input the password for the current sudoer.
          <-> USER-MODE (a little bit more steps):
                1. sudo passwd hpc-now
                * You will be required to set a password without echo.
                2. su hpc-now
                * You will be required to input the password set just now.
```

### 2.2.3 macOS

Open the Terminal and run the command below:

```
sudo /tmp/installer.exe install
```

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```
wangzhenrong@wangzhenrongs-Mac build % sudo /tmp/installer.exe install
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[ -INFO- ] If you accept the terms and conditions above, please input 'accept',
|         If you do not accept, this installation will exit immediately.
[ INPUT: ] Please input ( case-sensitive ): accept
[ -INFO- ] Checking and cleaning up current environment ...
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[ -INFO- ] Setting up environment variables for 'hpc-now' ...
[ -INFO- ] Creating other key running directories ...
[ -INFO- ] Congratulations! The HPC-NOW services are ready to run!
|         The user 'hpc-now' has been created *WITHOUT* an initial password.
|         Please follow the steps below:
|         <> SUDO-MODE (simple and fast for *sudoers*):
|         cd /Applications && sudo -u hpc-now hpcopr envcheck
|         * You will be required to input the password for the current sudoer.
|         <> USER-MODE (a little bit more steps):
|         1. sudo dscl . -passwd /Users/hpc-now YOUR_COMPLEX_PASSWORD
|         2. su hpc-now
|         * You will be required to input the password set just now.
|         3. hpcopr envcheck
[ -DONE- ] Enjoy you Cloud HPC journey! Exit now.

<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com
wangzhenrong@wangzhenrongs-Mac build %
```

## 2.3 Installing 3<sup>rd</sup>-Party Components

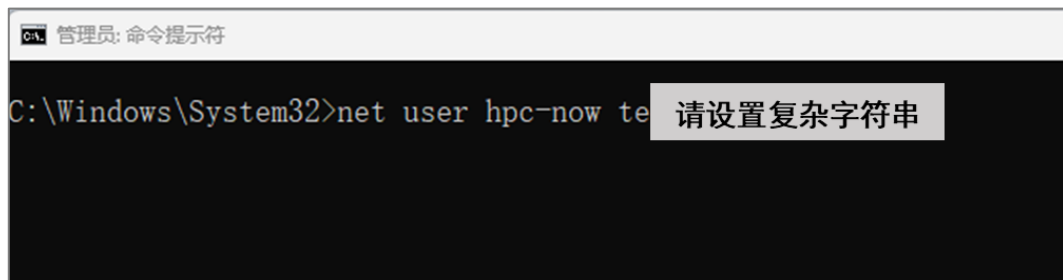
The core component of the HPC-NOW services is **hpcopr.exe**. For security considerations, only dedicated the operating system user **hpc-now** is able to execute the **hpcopr.exe**. The user **hpc-now** has been added to your OS during the previous step.

### 2.3.1 Switch to the *hpcopr* Running Environment

#### Microsoft Windows

Please run a Command Prompt Window as Administrator and run the command below:

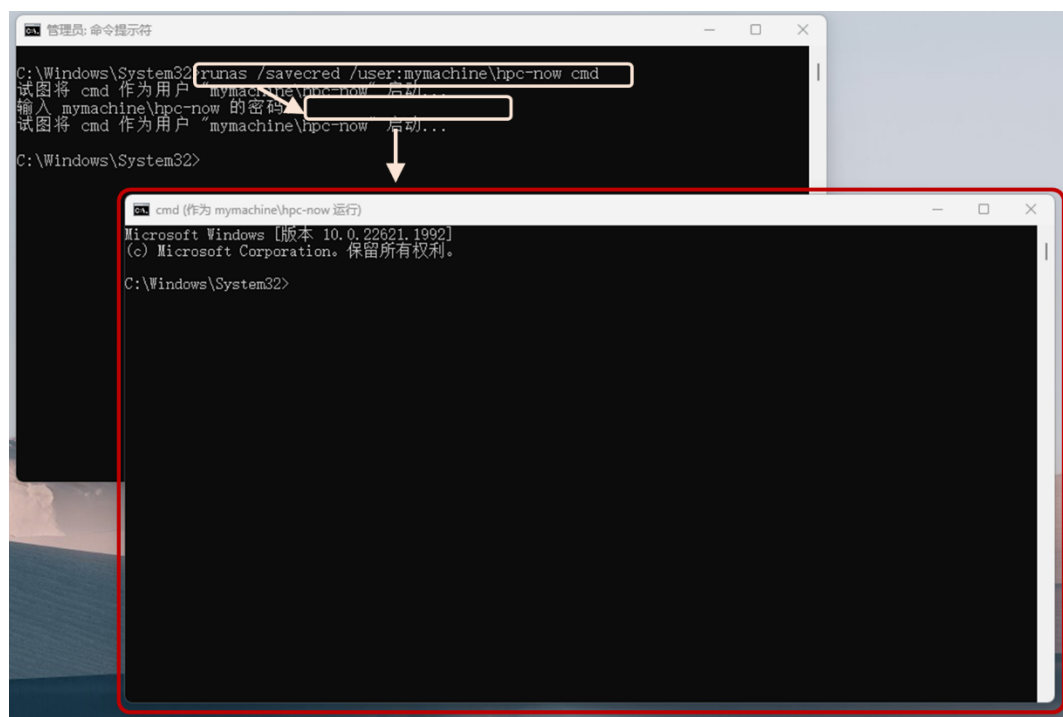
**net user hpc-now XXXXXXXX** (Please replace XXXXXXXX with a complex password string)



Then, run the command below to start a new Command Prompt Window ran by the user **hpc-now**.

```
runas /savecred /user:mymachine\hpc-now cmd
```

The password of hpc-now is required. Now, for security considerations, you can close the Administrator: Command Prompt Window.



## GNU/Linux

Open the Terminal and run the command below:

```
sudo passwd hpc-now
```

Please input the sudo password and type a complex password string twice to set the password for the user hpc-now.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
wzr@ubuntu:~$ sudo passwd hpc-now
[sudo] password for wzr:
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
wzr@ubuntu:~$
```

Then, run the command below to switch to the user **hpc-now**:

```
su hpc-now
```

The password of **hpc-now** is required. Run the command **cd ~** to enter the **\$HOME** directory of **hpc-now**.

```
wzr@ubuntu:~$ su hpc-now
Password:
hpc-now@ubuntu:/home/wzr$ cd ~
hpc-now@ubuntu:~$
```

## macOS

Open the Terminal and run the command below:

```
sudo dscl . -passwd /Users/hpc-now XXXXXXXX
```

Please replace **XXXXXXXX** with a complex password string. The sudo password is required.

```
build — zsh — 144x58
wangzhenrong@wangzhenrongs-Mac build % sudo dscl . -passwd /Users/hpc-now te
Password:
wangzhenrong@wangzhenrongs-Mac build %
```

Then, run the command below to switch to the user **hpc-now**:

```
su hpc-now
```

The password of **hpc-now** is required. Run the command **cd ~** to enter the **\$HOME** directory

of **hpc-now**.

```
wangzhenrong@wangzhenrongs-Mac build % su hpc-now
Password:
shell-init: error retrieving current directory: getcwd: cannot access parent directories: Permission denied

The default interactive shell is now zsh.
To update your account to use zsh, please run `chsh -s /bin/zsh`.
For more details, please visit https://support.apple.com/kb/HT208050.
bash-3.2$ cd ~
chdir: error retrieving current directory: getcwd: cannot access parent directories: Permission denied
bash-3.2$
```

Now, the **hpcopr** is ready for running.

### 2.3.2 Installing Components

Please switch to the **hpcopr** running environment (See Section 2.3.1). Then, run the command below to start installing the 3<sup>rd</sup>-Party components automatically.

**echo y-e-s | hpcopr envcheck**

Several 3<sup>rd</sup>-Party packages (~ 280 MB) will be downloaded and installed. This step is only for the first time of running **hpcopr**. The time for this step depends on the internet connectivity of your device.

```
hpc-now@ubuntu:~$ echo y-e-s | hpcopr envcheck
| /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
| \\\ ->NOW 2023-7-27 23:50:27
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[ -INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[ -INFO- ] No registry file found. Creating a blank cluster registry now ...
[ -INFO- ] Location configuration file not found.
[ -INFO- ] Would you like to use the default settings? Only y-e-s is accepted
to confirm.
[ INPUT: ] [ -INFO- ] Versions and md5sums not found. Trying to fix ...
[ -INFO- ] Downloading/Copying the Terraform binary ...
| Usually *ONLY* for the first time of running hpcopr or repair mode.

% Total % Received % Xferd Average Speed Time Time Time Current
Dload Upload Total Spent Left Speed
100 19.8M 100 19.8M 0 0 4021k 0 0:00:05 0:00:05 --:--:-- 4606k
[ -INFO- ] Downloading/Copying the cloud Terraform providers (1/3) ...
| Usually *ONLY* for the first time of running hpcopr or repair mode.

% Total % Received % Xferd Average Speed Time Time Time Current
Dload Upload Total Spent Left Speed
100 42.6M 100 42.6M 0 0 4177k 0 0:00:10 0:00:10 --:--:-- 5780k
[ -INFO- ] Downloading/Copying the cloud Terraform providers (2/3) ...
| Usually *ONLY* for the first time of running hpcopr or repair mode.

% Total % Received % Xferd Average Speed Time Time Time Current
Dload Upload Total Spent Left Speed
100 25.3M 100 25.3M 0 0 3865k 0 0:00:06 0:00:06 --:--:-- 4206k
[ -INFO- ] Downloading/Copying the cloud Terraform providers (3/3) ...
| Usually *ONLY* for the first time of running hpcopr or repair mode.
```

At the completion of the components, an info will be echoed:

```
| v Installed the dataman components: 3/3 .
[ -INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com
```



Now, the hpcopr is ready for work.

## 2.4 Create Your First HPC Cluster

Please run the command below to register your first HPC Cluster.

**hpcopr new-cluster**

A Cloud Service key pair will be required. Currently the HPC-NOW services support Amazon Web Services (AWS), Alibaba Cloud, Tencent Cloud, Huawei Cloud, Baidu, Azure. Please input a valid key pair when asked.

```
cmd (作为 mymachine\hpc-now 运行)
C:\Windows\System32>hpcopr new-cluster
[Im] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-28 15:2:57
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[Om]
[-INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
[-INFO- ] Please input the cluster name (A-Z a-z 0-9 -, 8<=length<=24):
INPUT:  my-first-cluster
[-INFO- ] Using the cluster name my-first-cluster.
[-INFO- ] Please input/paste your secrets key pair:
INPUT:  Access key ID : *****
INPUT:  Access secrets : *****
[-INFO- ] Successfully switched to the cluster my-first-cluster.
[-INFO- ] The secrets key pair has been encrypted and stored locally. You can either:
1. run 'hpcopr init' to create a default cluster. OR
2. run 'hpcopr get-conf' to get the default cluster configuration, and run
'hpcopr init' to create a customized cluster.
You can also switch to this cluster name and operate this cluster later.
[-DONE- ] Exit now.
<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com
C:\Windows\System32>_
```

**VERY IMPORTANT:** If you are using Amazon Web Services global regions (NOT China regions), you MUST subscribe the CentOS 7.9 and CentOS Stream 9 AMIs to you AWS account before initializing any clusters. Please visit the [AWS Marketplace](https://aws.amazon.com/marketplace) and search "CentOS", then choose Amazon Web Services as the publisher. Then, select **CentOS Stream 9 (x86 64)** and **CentOS 7 (x86 64) - with Updates HVM** and subscribe them respectively.

Then, in the same Command Prompt Window or Terminal window, run the command below to initialize your first cluster.

If you are using AWS Global regions, please specify the region and az:

**hpcopr init --ci a8c16g --rg us-east-1 --az us-east-1a**

If you are using services from other providers (Huawei, Baidu, AliCloud, TencentCloud) or AWS China Regions, please input:

**hpcopr init --ci a8c16g**

The automatic initialization process will start immediately. Please input y-e-s to confirm the

initialization. No other interaction or operation is needed.

```
C:\Windows\System32>hpcopr init
[Im] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-28 15:7:46
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[Om]
[-INFO- ] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
[-INFO- ] You are operating the cluster my-first-cluster now, which may affect
the resources\data/jobs. Please input y-e-s to continue.
[INPUT: ] y-e-s
[-WARN- ] Configuration file not found. Using the specified or default params.
[START: ] Start initializing the cluster ...
[STEP 1 ] Creating initialization files now ...
[-INFO- ] Creating a Unique Cluster ID now...
[STEP 2 ] Cluster Configuration:
Cluster ID: my-first-cluster
Region: cn-hangzhou
Availability Zone: cn-hangzhou-j
Number of Nodes: 1
Number of Users: 3
Master Node Instance: a8c16g
Compute Node Instance: a4c8g
OS Image: centoss9
[-WAIT- ] This may need 1 min(s). 1 sec(s) passed ... (|)
[-WARN- ] Do not terminate this process manually. Max Exec Time: 600 s
Command: apply. View log: hpcopr viewlog --std
[-WAIT- ] This may need 3 min(s). 49 sec(s) passed ... (|)
```

If everything goes well, you will see the echo starting with “**Congratulations! ...**”, which means that all the cloud resources have been created successfully.

```
[STEP 3 ] Remote executing now, please wait 60 seconds for this step ...
[-DONE- ] Remote execution commands sent..
[-INFO- ] After the initialization:

+-Cluster name: my-first-cluster +-Cluster role: opr
+-Payment Method: od-On-Demand PostPaid
+-master(47.99.179.205,Running,a8c16g)
+-db(Running)
+-+-computel(10.0.117.186,Running,a4c8g,hton)

[-DONE- ] Congratulations! The cluster is initializing now. This step may take at
least *7* minutes. *DO NOT* operate the cluster during this period.
You can now log on the master node by 'hpcopr ssh -u USERNAME'.
The desktop will be ready after the init process.

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```

However, you still need to wait 5~7 minutes for the initialization of the HPC environment. During this period, you can log into the cluster and check the proses.

```
hpcopr ssh -u user1
sudo atq
```

```
user1@master:~  
C:\Windows\System32>hpcopr ssh -u user1  
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146  
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-28 15:15:50  
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT  
[0m  
[ -INFO- ] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .  
[ -INFO- ] Using the user name user1 .  
[ -INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...  
[ -INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.  
[ -INFO- ] Trying to ssh user1@my-first-cluster.  
Warning: Permanently added '47.99.179.205' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.  
  
Welcome to Alibaba Cloud Elastic Compute Service !  
  
[user1@master ~]$ sudo atq  
1 Fri Jul 28 15:18:00 2023 a root  
2 Fri Jul 28 15:19:00 2023 a root
```

You can run the command below to check the status of the SLURM service.

**sinfo -N**

If you receive the information below, the cluster is ready for HPC workloads.

```
user1@master:~  
[user1@master ~]$ sinfo -N  
NODELIST  NODES  PARTITION  STATE  
computel  1      debug*  idle  
[user1@master ~]$
```

## 2.5 Deploy Your First HPC Application

If you've logged into the cluster, please input the **exit** command to return to the local **hpcopr** environment.

```
cmd (作为 mymachine\hpc-now 运行)  
[user1@master ~]$ sinfo -N  
NODELIST  NODES  PARTITION  STATE  
computel  1      debug*  idle  
[user1@master ~]$ exit  
logout  
Connection to 47.99.179.205 closed.  
  
<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com  
C:\Windows\System32>
```

In order to deploy the OpenFOAM-9 to the cluster, you only need to run the command below:

**hpcopr appman --acmd install --app of9 -u user1**

The deployment is automatic.



```

C:\Windows\System32>hpcopr appman --acmd build --app of9 -u user1
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-28 15:25:9
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT
[Om]
[-INFO- ] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO- ] Using the user name user1 .
[-INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
[-INFO- ] App operation is in progress. Detailed info as below.
        You can press 'ctrl C' to stop viewing the log.

[-INFO- ] Cleaning up processes...
[-INFO- ] Detecting GNU Compiler Collection ...
[-INFO- ] Using GNU Compiler Collections - gcc (GCC) 11.4.1 20230605 (Red Hat 11.4.1-2).
[-INFO- ] Detecting MPI Libraries ...
[-INFO- ] Building MPI Libraries now ...

```

At the completion of the deployment, you can run the command below to check:

**hpcopr appman --acmd avail -u user1**

```

C:\Windows\System32>hpcopr appman --acmd avail -u user1
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-29 7:38:43
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT
[Om]
[-INFO- ] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO- ] Using the user name user1 .
[-INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
+- Available(Installed) Apps ~ Public:
  < envmod >
  < desktop >
  < oss >
+- Available(Installed) Apps ~ Private:
  < mpich4 > < user1 >
  < cos > < user1 >
  < mpich3 > < user1 >
  < omp3 > < user1 >
  < omp4 > < user1 >
  < fftw3 > < user1 >
  < of7 > < user1 >
  < of2112 > < user1 >
  < of9 > < user1 >
<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com

```

Please install ParaView to post-process the OpenFOAM results.

**hpcopr appman --acmd install --app paraview -u user1**

## 2.6 Submit Your First HPC Job

After the steps from Section 2.1 to Section 2.5, the cluster is ready for running OpenFOAM cases.

### 2.6.1 Prepare the Case

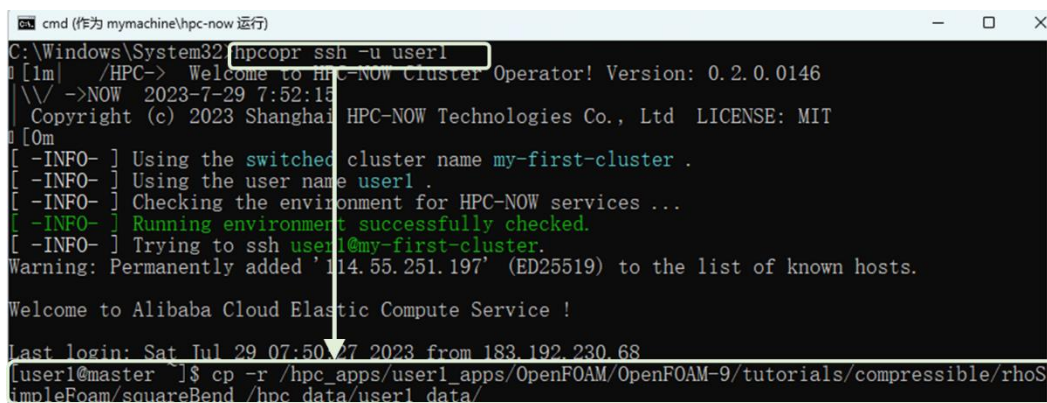
We will use the tutorial case **rhoSimpleFoam/squareBend** in the OpenFOAM source code.

Log into your cluster by running the command below:

**hpcopr ssh -u user1**

Run the commands below to preprocess the case, including copying the files, meshing the model, and partitioning the model for parallel solving.

```
[user1@master ~]$ cp -r /hpc_apps/user1_apps/OpenFOAM/OpenFOAM-9/tutorials/compressible/rhoSimpleFoam/squareBend /hpc_data/user1_data/
[user1@master ~]$ cd /hpc_data/user1_data/squareBend
[user1@master squareBend]$ of9.env
[user1@master squareBend]$ blockMesh
[user1@master squareBend]$ decomposePar
[user1@master squareBend]$ exit
```

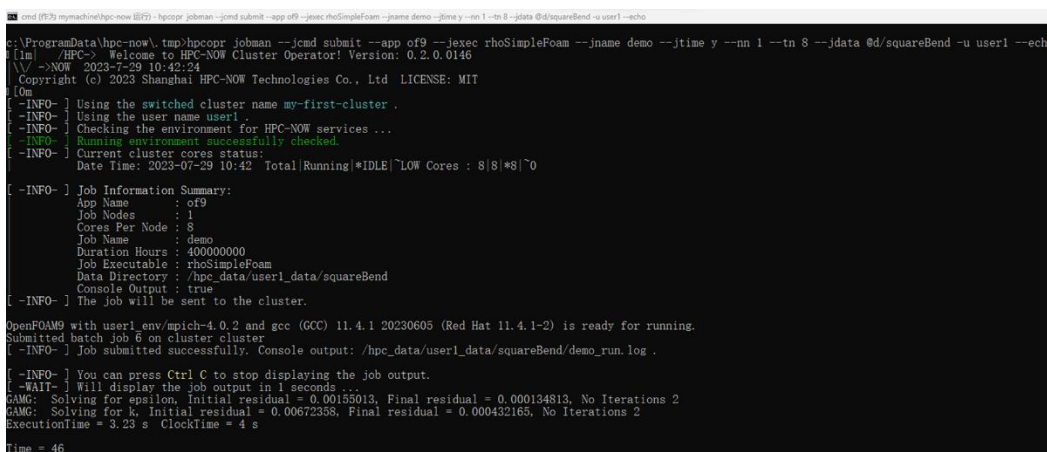


```
cmd (作为 mymachine\hpc-now 运行)
C:\Windows\System32\cmd.exe /c hpcopr ssh -u user1
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ /->NOW 2023-7-29 7:52:15
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT
[0m]
[-INFO-] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO-] Using the user name user1 .
[-INFO-] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO-] Running environment successfully checked.
[-INFO-] Trying to ssh user1@my-first-cluster.
Warning: Permanently added '114.55.251.197' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
Welcome to Alibaba Cloud Elastic Compute Service !
Last login: Sat Jul 29 07:50:47 2023 from 183.192.230.68
[user1@master ~]$ cp -r /hpc_apps/user1_apps/OpenFOAM/OpenFOAM-9/tutorials/compressible/rhoSimpleFoam/squareBend /hpc_data/user1_data/
```

## 2.6.2 Start Solving the Case

Run the command below to submit a job.

```
hpcopr jobman --jcmd submit --app of9 --jexec rhoSimpleFoam --jname demo --jtime y --nn 1 --tn 8 --jdata @d/squareBend -u user1 --echo
```



```
cmd (作为 mymachine\hpc-now 运行) - hpcopr jobman --jcmd submit --app of9 --jexec rhoSimpleFoam --jname demo --jtime y --nn 1 --tn 8 --jdata @d/squareBend -u user1 --echo
C:\ProgramData\hpc-now\tmp\hpcopr jobman --jcmd submit --app of9 --jexec rhoSimpleFoam --jname demo --jtime y --nn 1 --tn 8 --jdata @d/squareBend -u user1 --echo
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ /->NOW 2023-7-29 10:42:24
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT
[0m]
[-INFO-] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO-] Using the user name user1 .
[-INFO-] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO-] Running environment successfully checked.
[-INFO-] Current cluster cores status:
Date Time: 2023-07-29 10:42 TotalRunningIDLELOW Cores : 8|8|*8|0
[-INFO-] Job Information Summary:
App Name : of9
Job Nodes : 1
Cores Per Node : 8
Job Name : demo
Duration Hours : 400000000
Job Executable : rhoSimpleFoam
Data Directory : /hpc_data/user1_data/squareBend
Console Output : true
[-INFO-] The job will be sent to the cluster.
OpenFOAM9 with user1 env/mpich-4.0.2 and gcc (GCC) 11.4.1 20230605 (Red Hat 11.4.1-2) is ready for running.
Submitted batch job 6 on cluster cluster
[-INFO-] Job submitted successfully. Console output: /hpc_data/user1_data/squareBend/demo_run.log .
[-INFO-] You can press Ctrl C to stop displaying the job output.
[-WAIT-] Will display the job output in 1 seconds ...
GAMG: Solving for epsilon, Initial residual = 0.00155013, Final residual = 0.000134813, No Iterations 2
GAMG: Solving for k, Initial residual = 0.00672358, Final residual = 0.000432165, No Iterations 2
ExecutionTime = 3.23 s ClockTime = 4 s
Time = 46
```

## 2.6.3 PostProcessing

The results (output data) locate in the directory `/hpc_data/user1_data/squareBend`.

You can use the Remote Desktop tools for visualized postprocessing. In order to log into the desktop environment, you need to get the password for user1. Please run the command `hpcopr vault -u user1` to get the cluster IP address and the password of user1.

```
----- HPC-NOW CLUSTER SENSITIVE INFORMATION: -----+
| Unique Cluster ID: af3xgu74p3                               |
|----- CLUSTER PORTAL AND *CREDENTIALS* -----+
| Cluster IP Address: 114.55.251.197 ←                    |
| Bucket Address: oss://af3xgu74p3                          |
| Cloud Region: cn-hangzhou                                  |
|----- CLUSTER USERS AND *PASSWORDS* -----+
| Username: user1 Password: 8Cf70h[REDACTED] ENABLED      |
|----- DO NOT DISCLOSE THE INFORMATION TO OTHERS -----+
<> visit: https://www.hpc-now.com <> mailto: info@hpc-now.com
```

- **Microsoft Windows:** please search 'mstsc' and open the Remote Desktop Software
- **GNU/Linux:** please install 'Remmina' and follow its instructions.
- **macOS:** please install the Microsoft Remote Desktop app from the Apple Store.

In this section, we use Microsoft Windows to demonstrate the postprocessing operations.



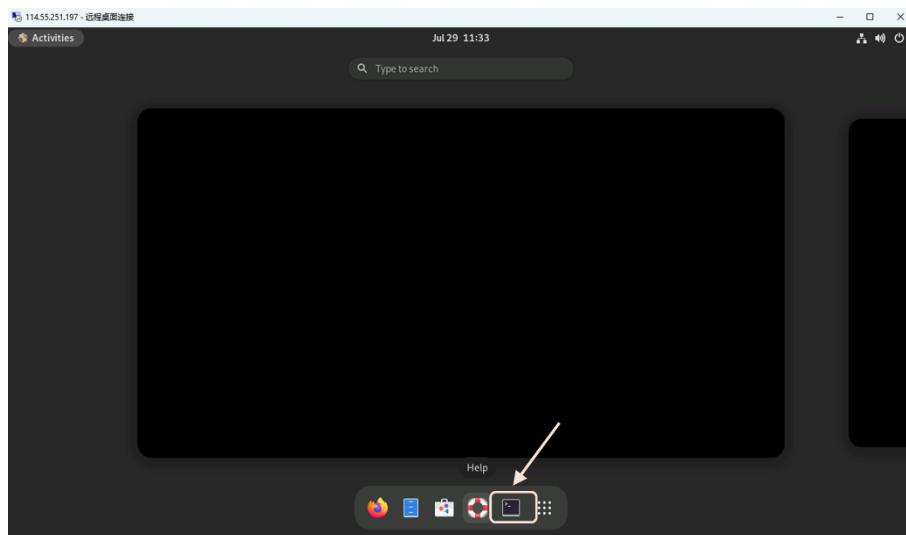
- **Computer:** Cluster IP Address
- **User Name:** user1
- **(Recommended but not mandatory)** Open the Display tab:
  - Choose the colour depth of the remote session
  - Select **TrueColour (24 bit)**
- Check the box '**Allow me to save credentials**' and click the '**Connect**' icon.
- Paste the password string of user1 to proceed



Then, you will enter the desktop environment of the cloud HPC cluster.

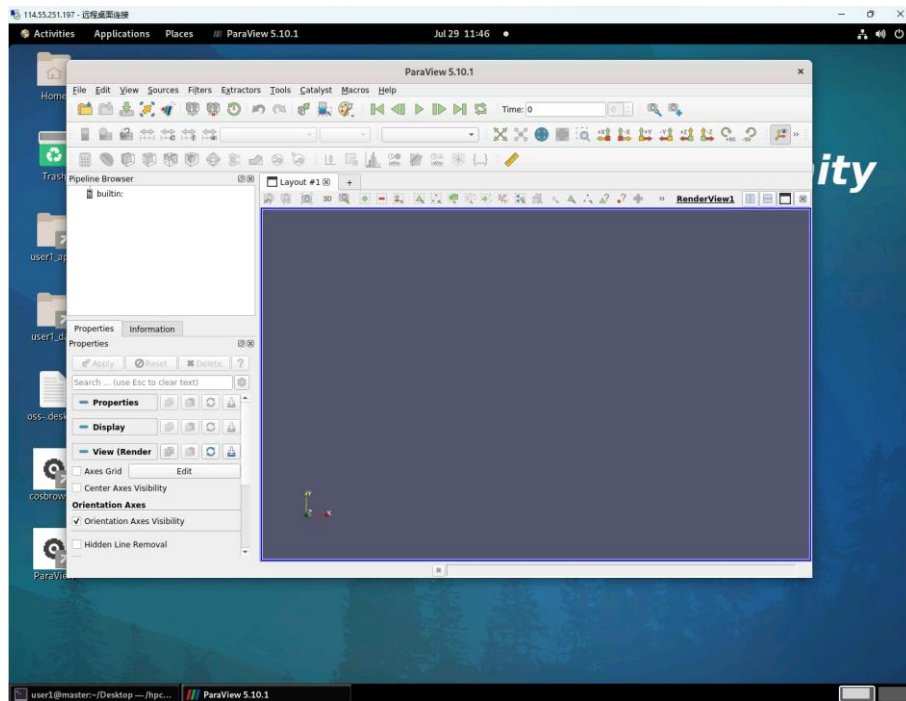
Single click on the Terminal icon. In order to make the desktop more user-friendly, please run the gnome initialization command below.

```
[user1@master ~]$ gini
```



The desktop will be customized with desktop icons, window top bars, etc. Then, run the command **paraview** to open the ParaView GUI.

```
[user1@master ~]$ paraview
```

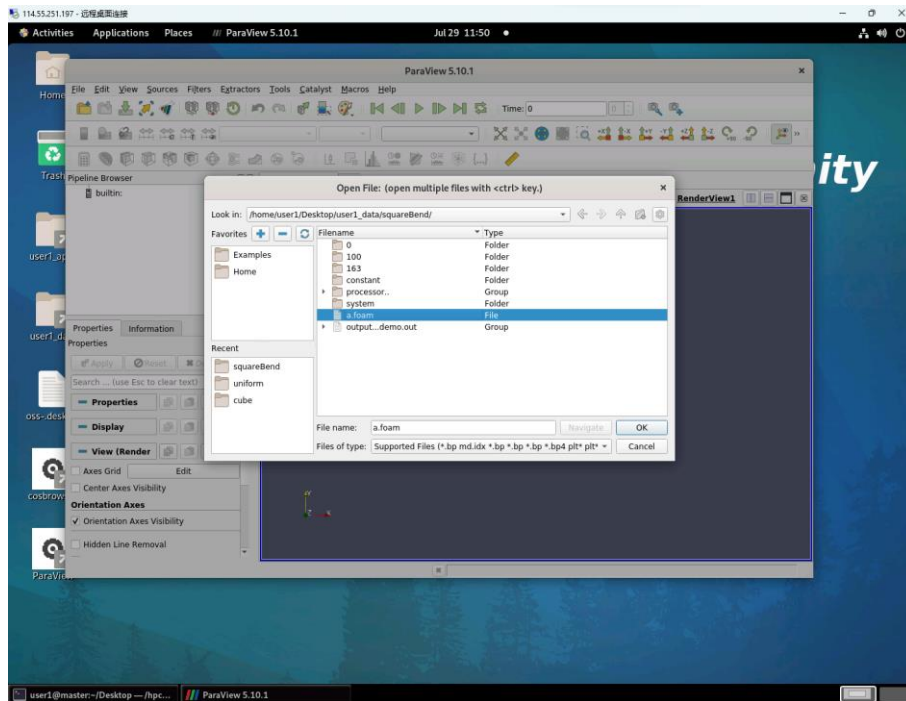


In order to post process the data, please run the commands below:

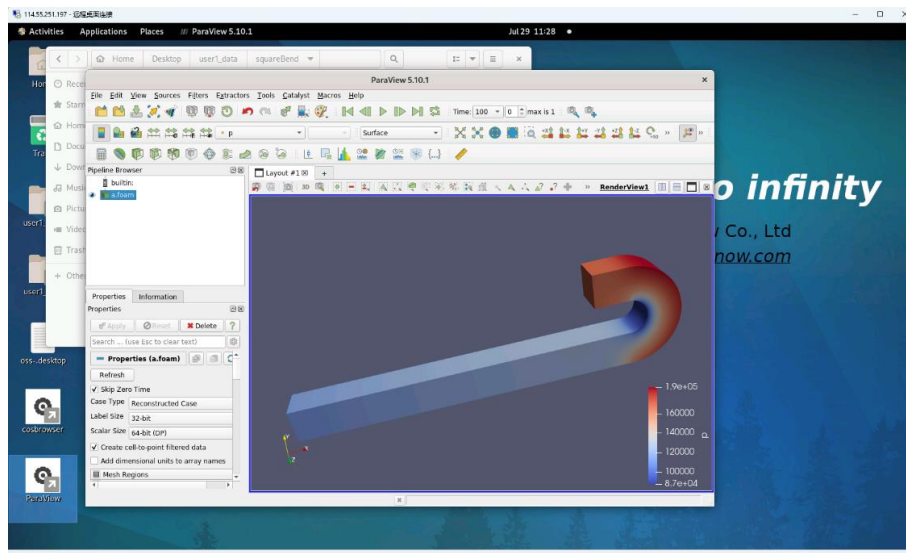
```
[user1@master ~]$ cd /hpc_data/user1_data/squareBend
[user1@master squareBend]$ of9.env #Load the OpenFOAM-9 environment
[user1@master squareBend]$ reconstructPar #Combine the results
[user1@master squareBend]$ touch a.foam #Create a file for ParaView
```

Go to the ParaView GUI, click on the menu:

**File -> Open -> Desktop/user1\_data/squareBend -> a.foam**



Click on the “Apply” button on the left.



## 2.7 Cluster Hibernation and Wakeup

You can hibernate the cluster to avoid extra compute costs. Run the command below:

```
hpcopr sleep
```

NOTICE: The storage costs cannot be avoided by hibernation.



Run the command:

**hpcopr wakeup --all** OR **hpcopr wakeup --min** to wake up the cluster.

## 2.8 Destroy the Cluster

After all the steps above, we recommend to destroy the whole cluster in order to avoid any further cloud costs. Please run the command:

**hpcopr destroy**

NOTICE: Destroying the cluster will *\*permanently\** destroy all the cloud resources related to the cluster and erase all the data in the cluster.

```
c:\Windows\System32>hpcopr destroy
[1m] /HPC-> Welcome to HPC-NOW Cluster Operator! Version: 0.2.0.0146
\\ ->NOW 2023-7-29 12:9:32
Copyright (c) 2023 Shanghai HPC-NOW Technologies Co., Ltd LICENSE: MIT
[0m
[-INFO- ] Using the switched cluster name my-first-cluster .
[-INFO- ] Checking the environment for HPC-NOW services ...
[-INFO- ] Running environment successfully checked.
*
* C A U T I O N !
*
* YOU ARE DELETING THE WHOLE CLUSTER - INCLUDING ALL THE NODES AND *DATA*!
* THIS OPERATION IS UNRECOVERABLE!
*
* C A U T I O N !
*
ARE YOU SURE? Only y-e-s is accepted to double confirm this operation:
[INPUT: ] y-e-s
[-INFO- ] Cluster operation started ...
[-WARN- ] Do not terminate this process manually. Max Exec Time: 600 s
Command: destroy. View log: hpcopr viewlog --std
[-WAIT- ] This may need 3 min(s). 89 sec(s) passed ... (|)
[-DONE- ] The whole cluster has been destroyed successfully.
[-INFO- ] Upating the usage records ...
[-INFO- ] Deleting all the related local files and folders ...
[-INFO- ] The cluster has been destroyed successfully.

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```

## III. Main Funtions

### 3.1 Get the Help Info

Run the command: **hpcopr help** to get the help info.

Run the command: **hpcopr help --cmd CMD\_NAME** to view the help info of a command, such as 'dataman'

### 3.2 Brief Introduction to the Functions

The **hpcopr.exe** is the main interface for you to operate.

**USAGE:** **hpcopr CMD\_NAME CMD\_FLAG ... [CMD\_KEYWORD1 CMD\_KEY\_STRING1] ...**

- **CMD\_FLAG:** such as **--force**, **--all**
- **CMD\_KEYWORD:** key-value pair, such as **-c myFirstCluster**

### 3.2.1 Get-Started

**envcheck** :~ Quickly check the running environment.

### 3.2.2 Multi-Cluster Management

**new-cluster** :~ Create a new cluster to initialize.

**ls-clusters** :~ List all the current clusters.

**switch** :~ Switch to a cluster in the registry to operate.

**glance** :~ View all the clusters or a target cluster.

**refresh** :~ Refresh a cluster without changing the resources.

**export** :~ Export a cluster to another hpcopr client. Optional params:

**import** :~ Import a cluster to the current hpcopr client.

**remove** :~ Completely remove a cluster from the OS and registry.

**exit-current**:~ Exit the current cluster.

### 3.2.3 Global Management

**help** :~ Show this page and the information here.

**usage** :~ View and/or export the usage history.

**monman** :~ Get, filter, and extract cluster monitoring data.

**history** :~ View and/or export the operation log.

**syserr** :~ View and/or export the system cmd errors.

**ssh** :~ SSH to the master node of a cluster.

+ Advanced - For developers:

**configloc** :~ Configure the locations for the terraform binaries, providers  
:~ IaC templates and shell scripts.

**showloc** :~ Show the current configured locations.

**showmd5** :~ Show the md5sum values of core components.

**resetloc** :~ Reset to the default locations.

### 3.2.4 Cluster Initialization

**new-keypair** :~ \*Rotate\* a new keypair for an existing cluster. The new keypair  
:~ should be valid and comes from the same cloud vendor.

**get-conf** :~ Get the default configuration file to edit and build a customized  
HPC cluster later (using the 'init' command).

**edit-conf** :~ Edit and save the default configuration file \*before\* init.

**rm-conf** :~ Remove the configuration file \*before\* init.

**init** :~ Initialize a new cluster. If the configuration file is absent,  
:~ the command will generate a default configuration file.

**rebuild** :~ Rebuild the nodes \*without\* destroying the cluster's storage.

### 3.2.5 Cluster Management

**vault** :~ Check the sensitive information of the current cluster.

**graph** :~ Display the cluster map including all the nodes and status.

**viewlog** :~ View the operation log of the current cluster.

### 3.2.6 Cluster Operation

**delc** :~ Delete specified compute nodes:



**addc**           :~ Add compute nodes to current cluster. You must specify how many  
                  :~ to be added.

**shutdownc**    :~ Shutdown specified compute nodes. Similar to 'delc',  
                  :~ you can specify to shut down all or part of the compute nodes by  
                  :~ the param 'all' or 'NUM'.

**turnonc**       :~ Turn on specified compute nodes. Similar to 'delc',  
                  :~ you can specify to turn on all or part of the compute nodes by  
                  :~ the parameter 'all' or 'NUM'.

**reconfc**       :~ Reconfigure all the compute nodes.

**reconfm**       :~ Reconfigure the master node.

**sleep**         :~ Turn off all the nodes (management and compute) of the cluster.

**wakeup**        :~ Wake up the cluster nodes.

**destroy**       :~ \*DESTROY\* the whole cluster - including all the resources & data.

**payment**       :~ Switch the payment method between on-demand and monthly.

### 3.2.7 Cluster User Management

Usage:~ hpcopr userman --ucmd USER\_CMD [ KEY\_WORD1 KEY\_STRING1 ] ...

\* The cluster must be in running state (minimal or all). \*

--ucmd list     ~ List all the current cluster users.

--ucmd add      ~ Add a user to the cluster. By default, added users are enabled.

--ucmd delete   ~ Delete a user from the cluster.

--ucmd enable   ~ Enable a \*disabled\* user. Enabled users can run HPC workloads.

--ucmd disable   ~ Disable a user. Disabled users still can access the cluster.

--ucmd passwd   ~ Change user's password.

### 3.2.8 Cluster Data Management

Usage:~ hpcopr dataman CMD\_FLAG... [ KEY\_WORD1 KEY\_STRING1 ] ...

General Flags    :~ -r, -rf, --recursive, --force, -f.

-s SOURCE\_PATH   ~ Source path of the binary operations. i.e. cp

-d DEST\_PATH     ~ Destination path of binary operations. i.e. cp

-t TARGET\_PATH   ~ Target path of unary operations. i.e. ls

Bucket Operations:~ Transfer and manage data with the bucket.

--dcmd put       ~ Upload a local file or folder to the bucket path.

--dcmd get       ~ Download a bucket object(file or folder) to the local path.

--dcmd copy      ~ Copy a bucket object to another folder/path.

--dcmd list      ~ Show the object list of a specified folder/path.

--dcmd delete    ~ Delete an object (file or folder) of the bucket.

--dcmd move      ~ Move an existed object (file or folder) in the bucket.

Example: hpcopr dataman --dcmd put -s ./foo -d /foo -u user1

Direct Operations:~ Transfer and manage data in the cluster storage.

\* The cluster must be in running state (minimal or all). \*

--dcmd cp        ~ Remote copy between local and the cluster storage.

--dcmd mv        ~ Move the remote files/folders in the cluster storage.

--dcmd ls         ~ List the files/folders in the cluster storage.

--dcmd rm        ~ Remove the files/folders in the cluster storage.

- dcmd mkdir** ~ Make a directory in the cluster storage.
- dcmd cat** ~ Print out a remote plain text file.
- dcmd more** ~ Read a remote file.
- dcmd less** ~ Read a remote file.
- dcmd tail** ~ Streaming out a remote file dynamically.
- dcmd rput** ~ Upload a \*remote\* file or folder to the bucket path.
- dcmd rget** ~ Download a bucket object(file or folder) to the \*remote\* path.

**@h/** to specify the \$HOME prefix of the cluster.

**@d/** to specify the **/hpc\_data/user\_data** prefix.

**@a/** to specify the **/hpc\_apps/** prefix, only for root or user1.

**@p/** to specify the public folder prefix ( INSECURE !).

**@R/** to specify the **/** prefix, only for root or user1.

**@t/** to specify the **/tmp** prefix.

Example: **hpcopr dataman --dcmd cp -s ~/foo/ -d @h/foo -r -u user1**

### 3.2.9 Cluster App Management

Usage:~ **hpcopr appman --acmd APP\_CMD CMD\_FLAG [ KEY\_WORD1 KEY\_STRING1 ] ...**

\* The cluster must be in running state (minimal or all). \*

**-u USERNAME** ~ A valid user name. Use 'root' for all users.  
~ Admin or Operator role is required for root.

**--acmd store** ~ List out the apps in store.

**--acmd avail** ~ List out all the installed apps.

**--acmd check** ~ Check whether an app is available.

**--acmd install** ~ Install an app to all users or a specified user.

**--acmd build** ~ Compile and build an app to all users or a specified user.

**--acmd remove** ~ Remove an app from the cluster.

### 3.2.10 Cluster Job Management

Usage:~ **hpcopr jobman --jcmd APP\_CMD [ KEY\_WORD1 KEY\_STRING1 ] ...**

\* The cluster must be in running state (minimal or all). \*

\* **-u USERNAME** ~ A valid user name. The root user CANNOT submit jobs.

**--jcmd submit** ~ Submit a job to the cluster.

**--jcmd list** ~ List out all the jobs.

**--jcmd cancel** ~ Cancel a job with specified ID

### 3.2.11 Others

**about** ~ About this software and HPC-NOW project.

**version** ~ Display the version info.

**license** ~ Read the terms of the GNU Public License-v2.0

**repair** ~ Try to repair the hpcopr core components.

## IV. Build from Source

### 4.1 Build Requirements

Code Management:[git](#).

Compiler:

- **Microsoft Windows:** The latest [mingw-w64](#). Download the MinGW-W64 GCC-8.1.0 package, unzip it, and set up the PATH environment variable.
- **GNU/Linux:** GNU Compiler Collections, known as gcc
- **macOS:** Clang

Run the command `gcc --version` or `clang --version` (macOS) to make confirm the installation of GCC or Clang.

## 4.2 How to Build

Step 1. `git clone https://gitee.com/zhenrong-wang/hpc-now.git`

Step 2. `cd hpc-now`

Step 3. `git checkout dev-0.2.2`

Step 4.

- **Micorsoft Windows:** `.\make_windows.bat build`
- **GNU/Linux:** `chmod +x ./make_linux.sh && ./make_linux.sh build`
- **macOS:** `chmod +x ./make_darwin.sh && ./make_darwin.sh build`

## 4.3 Code Structure

```
DIR --+-- Docs/
      +-- hpcmgr/
      +-- hpcopr/
      +-- infra-as-code/
            +-- alicloud/
            +-- aws/
            +-- qcloud/
            +-- hwcloud/
            +-- baidu/
            +-- azure/
      +-- installer/
      +-- now-crypto/
      +-- scripts/
            +-- app-install/
      +-- make_darwin.sh
      +-- make_linux.sh
      +-- make_windows.bat
```

## 4.4 How to Install and Use

Please refer to the Chapter II of this manual.

## V. Uninstallation/Removal

Administration Privilege is required to uninstall the HPC-NOW services.

For Microsoft Windows users, suppose the installer locates in:

**C:\Users\Public\installer.exe**

Please run a Command Prompt Windows as Administrator, and run the command:

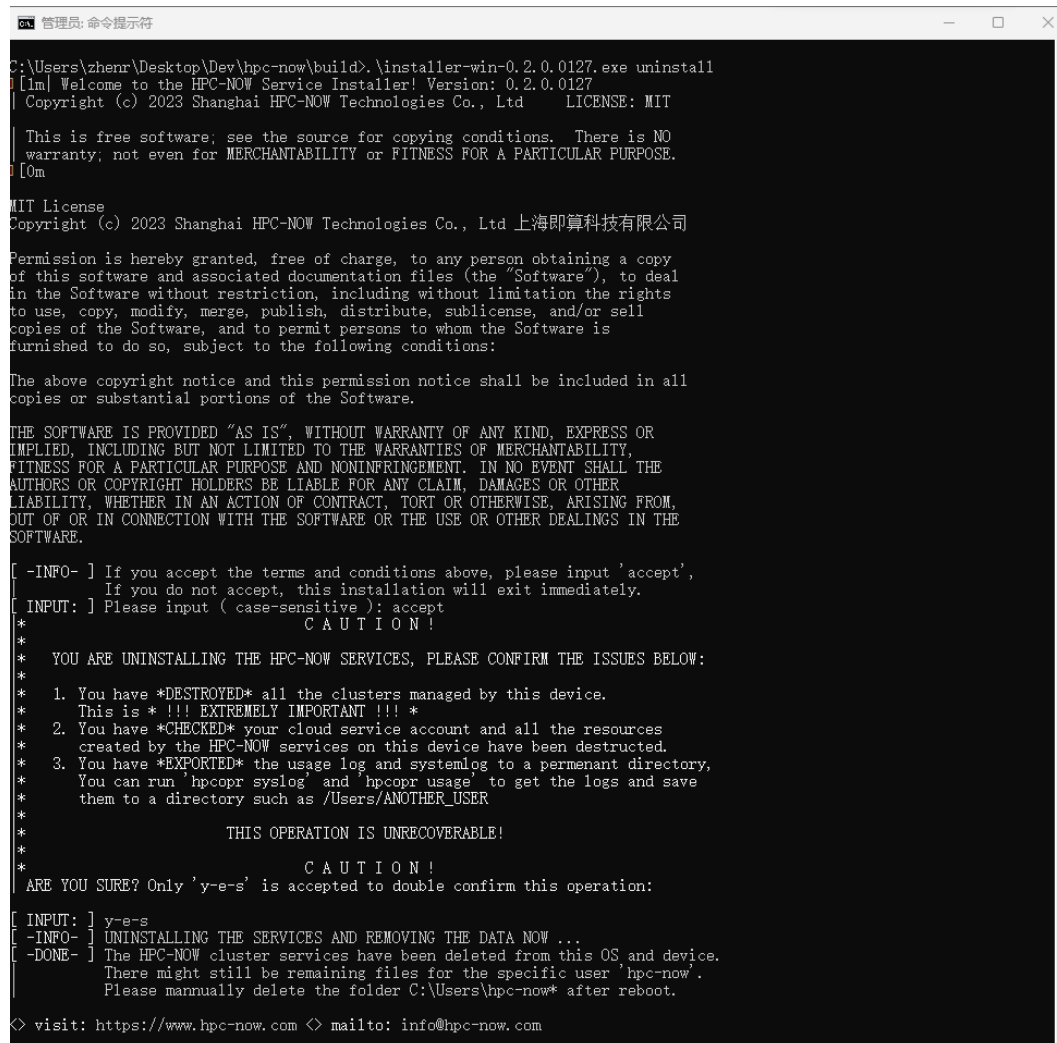
**C:\Users\Public\installer.exe uninstall**

For GNU/Linux or macOS users, suppose the installer locates in:

**/tmp/installer.exe**

Please run the command: **sudo ./installer.exe uninstall**

**VERY IMPORTANT: Before uninstallation, please remove all the clusters managed by the hpcopr!**



```
管理员: 命令提示符
C:\Users\zhenn\Desktop\Dev\hpc-now\build\.\installer-win-0.2.0.0127.exe uninstall
[!m] Welcome to the HPC-NOW Service Installer! Version: 0.2.0.0127
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[ -INFO- ] If you accept the terms and conditions above, please input 'accept',
          If you do not accept, this installation will exit immediately.
[ INPUT: ] Please input ( case-sensitive ): accept
*          C A U T I O N !
*
*   YOU ARE UNINSTALLING THE HPC-NOW SERVICES, PLEASE CONFIRM THE ISSUES BELOW:
*
*   1. You have *DESTROYED* all the clusters managed by this device.
*      This is * !!! EXTREMELY IMPORTANT !!! *
*   2. You have *CHECKED* your cloud service account and all the resources
*      created by the HPC-NOW services on this device have been destructed.
*   3. You have *EXPORTED* the usage log and systemlog to a permanent directory,
*      You can run 'hpcopr syslog' and 'hpcopr usage' to get the logs and save
*      them to a directory such as /Users/ANOTHER_USER
*
*          THIS OPERATION IS UNRECOVERABLE!
*
*          C A U T I O N !
*   ARE YOU SURE? Only 'y-e-s' is accepted to double confirm this operation:
[ INPUT: ] y-e-s
[ -INFO- ] UNINSTALLING THE SERVICES AND REMOVING THE DATA NOW ...
[ -DONE- ] The HPC-NOW cluster services have been deleted from this OS and device.
          There might still be remaining files for the specific user 'hpc-now'.
          Please manually delete the folder C:\Users\hpc-now* after reboot.

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