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PS2: HPC workflows with sequential jobs

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UL HPC tutorials:

<https://github.com/ULHPC/tutorials>

UL HPC School:

<http://hpc.uni.lu/hpc-school/>

PS2tutorial sources:

https://github.com/ULHPC/tutorials/tree/devel/basic/sequential_jobs



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Objectives of the PS

- Run sequential, parametric programs on the clusters
- Learn how-to use our set of launcher scripts
- Submit jobs, and use the cluster monitoring tools
 - ↪ drawgantt
 - ↪ monika
 - ↪ ganglia

Read the full subject of this PS here

- <http://git.io/5cYmPw>



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MPI tasks: getting started

1 Connect to the cluster(s)

```
(node)$> ssh chaos-cluster
```

```
(node)$> ssh gaia-cluster
```

2 Transfer files

```
(node)$> rsync -avz directory chaos-cluster:
```

3 Submit jobs:

```
(node)$> oarsub -I
```

```
(node)$> oarsub ./program
```

Follow this part: "Connect the the cluster and set-up the environment for this tutorial"

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Gromacs

GROMACS: GROningen MACHine for Chemical Simulations

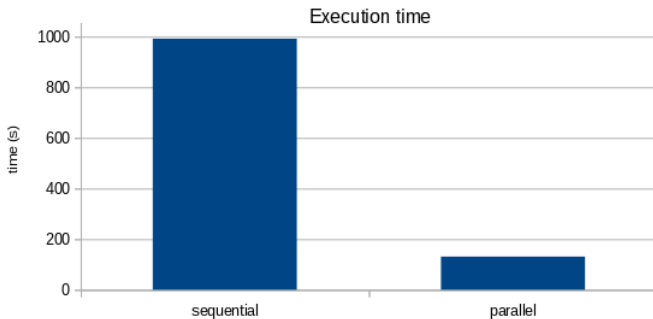
versatile package for molecular dynamics, primarily designed for biochemical molecules

- very large codebase: 1.836.917 SLOC
- many applications in the package, several parallelization modes
- **mdrun**: computational chemistry engine, performing:
 - ↪ molecular dynamics simulations
 - ↪ Brownian Dynamics, Langevin Dynamics
 - ↪ Conjugate Gradient
 - ↪ L-BFGS
 - ↪ Steepest Descents energy minimization
 - ↪ Normal Mode Analysis
- **mdrun** - parallelized using MPI, OpenMP, pthreads and with support for GPU acceleration

Exercise 1: parametric execution

2 approaches

- Sequential (loop)
- Parallized (with GNU parallel)





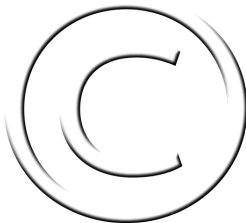
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Task: apply a watermark to a given set of pictures

- Simple Python script
- Generic parallel launcher
- Distribute the work on several nodes









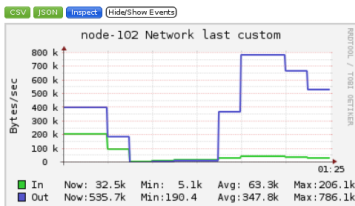
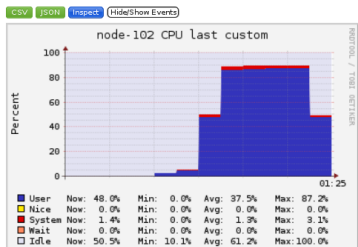
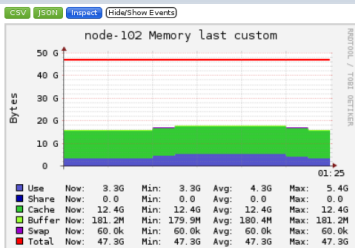
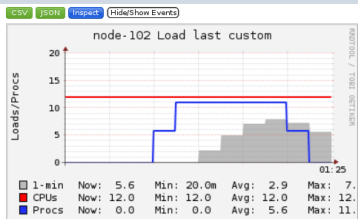
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Subject

- **JCell**: a Java framework for working with genetic algorithms
- Example: Generational algorithm for the Combinatorial ECC problem
- Test the variations of these parameters: *Mutation probability* and *Crossover probability*





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Conclusion

- We have covered the most common workflow: **parametric jobs**
- Our launchers can be improved!

Perspectives

- Checkpoint/Restart mechanism
- Best effort jobs
- OAR array jobs



Thank you for your attention...

Questions?



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