

UL HPC School 2017

PS2: HPC workflow with sequential jobs



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Shared Etherpad Notes:

<https://goo.gl/kfHYkN>



Latest versions available on **Github**:



UL HPC tutorials:

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

UL HPC School:

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

PS2 tutorial sources:

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





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Main Objectives of this Session

- Run sequential, parametric programs on the clusters
- Learn how-to use our set of launcher scripts
- Submit jobs
- use the cluster monitoring tools
 - ↳ Ganglia
 - ↳ Monika & Drawgantt

Read the full subject of this PS here

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



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Getting started

1 Connect to the cluster(s)

```
(laptop)$> ssh {iris,gaia,chaos}-cluster
```

2 Send files

```
(laptop)$> rsync -avz local_directory {iris,gaia,chaos}-cluster:
```

3 Retrieve files

```
(laptop)$> rsync -avz {iris,gaia,chaos}-cluster:path/to/files  
local_directory
```

4 Submit jobs

OAR on Chaos/Gaia

Slurm on Iris

oarsub -l
oarsub ./program

srun -p interactive -qos qos-interactive -pty bash
sbatch program



Tutorial link

This tutorial is available on github !

- <https://git.io/vHyh3>



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Gromacs

GROMACS: GROningen MACHine for Chemical Simulations

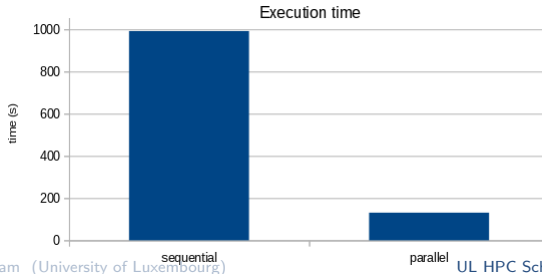
versatile package for molecular dynamics, primarily designed for biochemical molecules

- 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

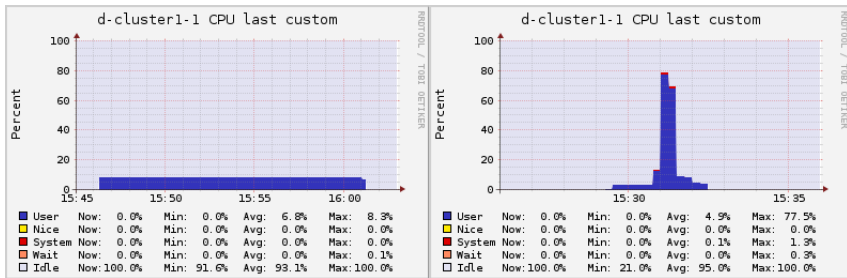
Comparison

2 approaches

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



Comparison - Ganglia





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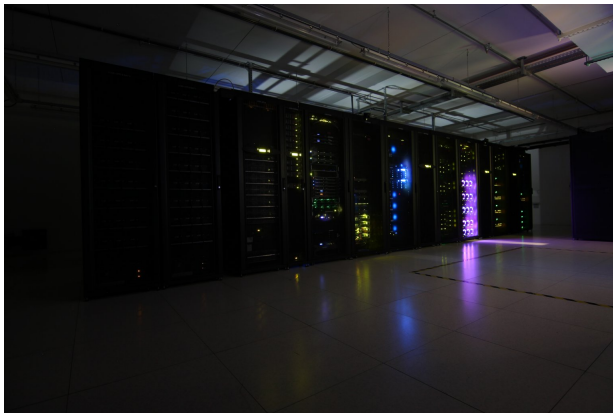
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Watermark Application

- **Objective:** Apply a watermark to a given set of pictures
 - ↪ Simple Python script
 - ↪ Generic parallel launcher
 - ↪ Distribute the work on several nodes



Source image



Watermarked image



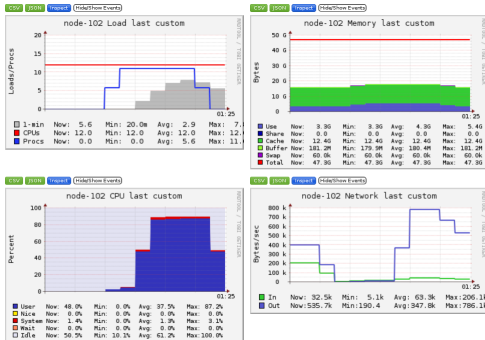


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Jcell & cGAs

- **JCell**: a Java framework for working with genetic algorithms
 - ↪ Ex: 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 one of the most common workflow:
↳ **parametric jobs**
- Our launchers can be improved!

Perspectives

- Array jobs
- Best effort jobs
- Checkpoint/Restart mechanism

Questions?

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