





OpenFoam Workshop

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Introduction to PDC

Centre for high performance computing
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What is PDC?

- A supercomputing centre founded in 1990
 - SNIC centre(SNIC > Swedish National Infrastructure for Computing)
 - Under administration of School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) at KTH, Royal institute of technology
- Providing high performance computing (HPC) services for academic and business/industrial research.
 - Services include HPC systems for performing computations and simulations
 (as well as pre- and post-processing of data), short- and long-term data
 storage, and assistance from application and systems experts



History of PDC

Year	Rank	Procs.	peak TFlops	vendor	name
2017	69	67456	2438.1	Cray	Beskow
2014	32	53632	1973.7	Cray	Beskow
2011	31	36384	365.63	Cray	Lindgren
2010	76	11016	92.534	Cray	Lindgren
2010	89	9800	86.024	Dell	Ekman
2005	65	886	5.6704	Dell	Lenngren
2003	196	180	0.6480	НР	Lucidor
1998	60	146	0.0934	IBM	Strindberg
1996	64	96	0.0172	IBM	Strindberg
1991	341	256	0.0025	Thinking Machines	Bellman



HPC Systems

• Beskow:

- Cray XC40 system
- Intel Haswell and Broadwell processors
- Designed for running large parallel jobs

Tegner

- Pre and post processing system for Beskow
- Intel CPUs + NVIDIA Tesla GPUs
- Has large memory nodes: 0.5-1-2 TB
- Will be used for OpenFOAM training

Dardel

- New system of PDC arrived a few months ago!
- Dual AMD EPYC™ 2.25 GHz 64 core processor
- AMD Instinct™ MI250X GPUs







Dardel CPU Compute nodes

Number of nodes	RAM (GB)	Name	
488	256	Thin	
20	512	Large	
8	1024	Huge	
2	2048	Giant	
36	256	Business	



Support and system staff

- 1st line support: Provide general assistance to PDC users related to accounts, login, allocations etc.
- System staff: System administrators have background in computer science and ensure that computing and storage resources run smoothly and securely
- Application experts: Hold PhD degrees in various fields and specialize in HPC. Assist researchers in using, optimizing, scaling and enhancing scientific codes for current and next generation supercomputers



Getting started with Tegner How to login

- Apply for a PDC account!
 - https://pdc-web.eecs.kth.se/accounts/
 - Receive your password by SMS
- Follow steps in:

https://www.pdc.kth.se/support/documents/login/login.html#step-by-step-login-tutorial

Contact PDC support in case of login issues:

support@pdc.kth.se



Getting started with Tegner

How to login: two step login using Kerberos ticket



Kinit —f <username>@NADA.KTH.SE ssh —X <username>@tegner.pdc.kth.se



OpenFOAM on Tegner

 Once logged in, you will be on your home directory: /afs/pdc.kth.se/home/<letter>/<username>

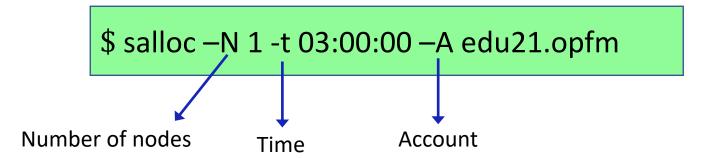
```
[[arash2@tegner-login-1 ~]$ pwd
/afs/pdc.kth.se/home/a/arash2
[arash2@tegner-login-1 ~]$
```

All the operations will be performed on your home directory

- All the software on Tegner are available through modules
- You need to load a module to your environment to access it



- You are already on the 'login node' and do not have access to the compute resources. You need to request a compute node:
- Request a compute node using 'salloc' command



15 nodes are reserved for this course. Each compute node has 24 cores

 You should see Something like this once you're granted a compute node:

```
salloc: Pending job allocation 63554 salloc: job 63554 queued and waiting for resources salloc: job 63554 has been allocated resources salloc: Granted job allocation 63554
```



Try to login to the compute node

\$ echo \$SLURM_NODELIST

Name of compute node will be printed

\$ ssh -X <username>@<compute node>.pdc.kth.se

Example

\$ ssh -X arash2@t02n01.pdc.kth.se



OpenFOAM on Tegner

• Run 'module avail openfoam' to see which versions are available:

- Run 'module load openfoam/1912'
- Run 'module list' to see the loaded modules and make sure OpenFOAM is loaded:



OpenFOAM on Tegner

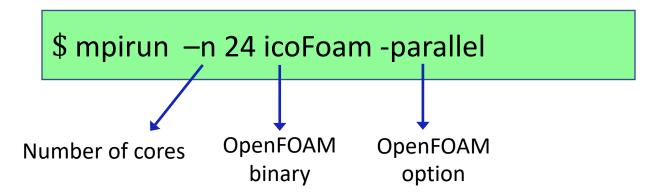
- Now you have access to OpenFOAM on Dardel!
- You need to run a script to set some environment variables and paths for OpenFOAM:
- . \$FOAM_BASHRC
- Copy OpenFOAM tutorials to your home directory:

Now You're ready for the analysis! You have Necessary files on your home directory

\$ cp -r \$WM_PROJECT_DIR/tutorials .



• To run your job you use srun command:





• Jobs can also be submitted through a batch script from the login node:

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH -J mytest
#SBATCH -t 1:00:00
#SBATCH -A edu21.opfm
#SBATCH --nodes=1
module load openfoam/1912
. $FOAM_BASHRC
mpirun -n 24 icoFoam -parallel > my_output_file 2>&1
```

Submit with 'sbatch' command'

```
$sbatch <name of the script>
```



Use 'squeue' command to see your job status

```
$squeue -u <username>
```

• The output will look like this:

```
JOBID PARTITION NAME USER ST TIME NODES NODELIST(REASON)
1059071 main my_job arash2 R 0:08 1 t02n01
```

Use 'scancel' command to cancel your job

```
$scancel <job-ID>
```



Good luck with the computations!