SSH access to ISSC Linux environment

The ISSC Linux environment is accessible remotely using SSH. The entrypoint into the ISSC network is always the SSH-gateway. The hostname of this gateway is <code>sshgw.leidenuniv.nl</code>. To log in, use your ULCN account information. From <code>sshgw</code> you need to log into another host in order to be able to do useful work. There are two choices: log into a Linux Terminal Server, or log into a LIACS lab room computer.

ISSC Linux Terminal Servers

There are two flavors of ISSC Linux Terminal Servers. The first are the general ones:

- huismus01.vuw.leidenuniv.nl
- huismus02.vuw.leidenuniv.nl
- (Or the remotelx.campus.leidenuniv.nl round robin DNS entry)

Or to the LIACS-only Linux Terminal Server:

- huisuil01.liacs.leidenuniv.nl
- (Or the remotelx.liacs.leidenuniv.nl DNS entry)

The servers differ in configuration. You most probably want to use the LIACS-only Linux Terminal Servers are these more closely reflect the Linux environment available on the LIACS lab room computers.

For more information, see https://www.medewerkers.universiteitleiden.nl/binaries/content/assets/ul2staff/ict/handleidingen/linux-terminal-server-nl.pdf (https://www.medewerkers.universiteitleiden.nl/binaries/content/assets/ul2staff/ict/handleidingen/linux-terminal-server-nl.pdf)

LIACS lab room computers

It is possible to access the computers in the LIACS lab rooms remotely. Access is only possible through SSH, to computers that are turned on and are booted into Linux. (Recall that LIACS lab room computers are dual-boot). The lab room computers are managed by ISSC and have a similar Linux installation as the huisuil servers. However, note that contrary to the huisuil servers, the lab room machines are equipped with NVIDIA GPUs.

In order to access a lab room computer, you first need to log in to <code>sshgw.leidenuniv.nl</code> using SSH. From there you can use SSH to log in to a computer in one of the lab rooms. Besides <code>sshgw</code>, the lab room computers can also be reached from the <code>huisuil</code> servers.

(Note: you must use an ISSC SSH gateway. The lab room computers are *not* directly accessible from ssh.liacs.nl).

Unfortunately, the computer names that are used by ISSC are hard to memorize. Lists of computer names are given below. Pick a hostname and attempt a login, for instance:

ssh -K U0065010

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If the response is "name or service not found", then this machine is not booted into Linux. Pick another computer from the list and try again. After a successful login, please verify no other user is logged in (use the "w" command) before running experiments.

Another problem that regularly occurs is that the login is successful, but an error is displayed mentioning that your home directory could not be accessed. If this happens, logout and try again with -k instead of -K. This sometimes solves the problem (don't ask us why).

Using CUDA

The lab room computers don't have CUDA installed by default (and if it would have been installed, it would have been a rather old version).

CUDA 9 was installed in the shared LIACS scratch folder by an enthusiast. You can enable this installation of CUDA using the following commands (place in your .bashrc for instance):

```
export PATH=/vol/share/groups/liacs/scratch/cuda-9/bin:$PATH
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/vol/share/groups/liacs/scratch/cuda-9/lib64:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

After executing these commands, CUDA should work:

```
$ nvcc --version
nvcc: NVIDIA (R) Cuda compiler driver
Copyright (c) 2005-2017 NVIDIA Corporation
Built on Fri_Sep__1_21:08:03_CDT_2017
Cuda compilation tools, release 9.0, V9.0.176
```

Lists of computer names per lab room

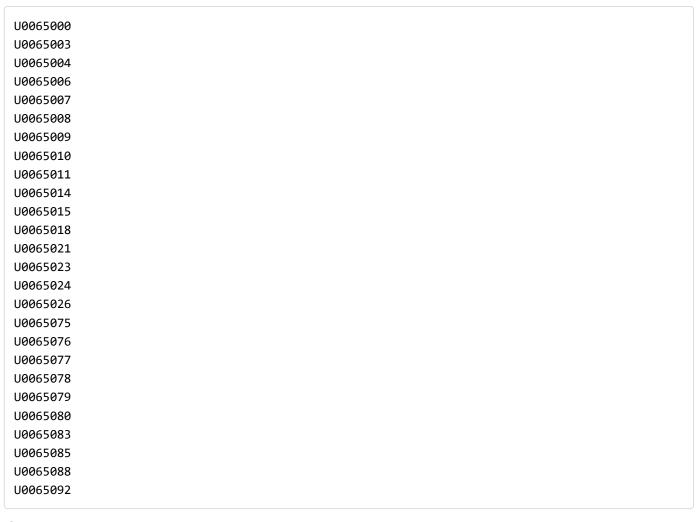
Please, again, note that not all computers will be available as lab room computers are not always booted into Linux.

Gorlaeus Building, Room DM.0.09

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-14700 (20 cores: 8 performance-cores, 12 efficient-cores; performance-cores are HyperThreaded).
- 32 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX4060, 8 GB VRAM
- 1 TB NVMe

List of hostnames:



Gorlaeus Building, Room DM.0.13

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-14700 (20 cores: 8 performance-cores, 12 efficient-cores; performance-cores are HyperThreaded).
- 32 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX4060, 8 GB VRAM
- 1 TB NVMe

List of hostnames:

U0065001			
U0065002			
U0065005			
U0065012			
U0065013			
U0065016			
U0065017			
U0065019			
U0065025			
U0065081			
U0065082			
U0065084			
U0065086			
U0065087			
U0065089			
U0065090			
U0065091			
U0065093			
U0065094			
U0065095			
U0065096			
U0065097			
U0065098			
U0065099			

Gorlaeus Building, Room DM.0.17

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-14700 (20 cores: 8 performance-cores, 12 efficient-cores; performance-cores are HyperThreaded).
- 32 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX4060, 8 GB VRAM
- 1 TB NVMe

List of hostnames:

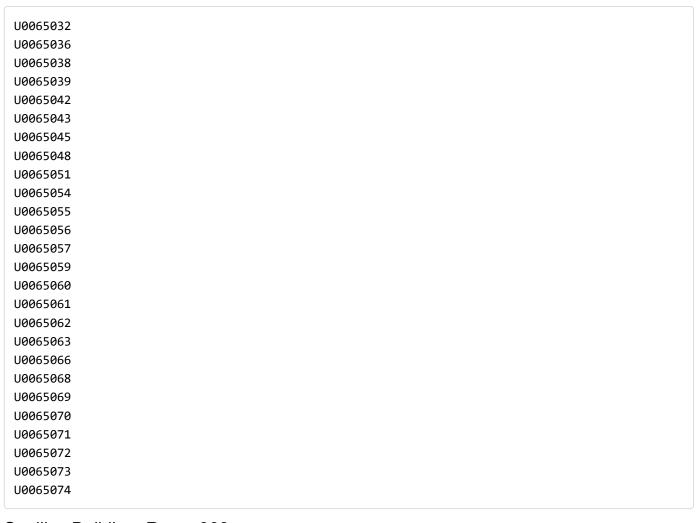
U0065020			
U0065022			
U0065027			
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U0065030			
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U0065035			
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U0065041			
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U0065046			
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U0065049			
U0065050			
U0065052			
U0065053			
U0065058			
U0065064			
U0065065			
U0065067			

Gorlaeus Building, Room DM.0.21

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-14700 (20 cores: 8 performance-cores, 12 efficient-cores; performance-cores are HyperThreaded).
- 32 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX4060, 8 GB VRAM
- 1 TB NVMe

List of hostnames:



Snellius Building, Room 303

Note: room will likely be closed in September 2024

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-9700 (8 cores, 8 threads (so no HyperThreading))
- 16 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX1050 Ti, 4 GB VRAM
- No local HDD storage available on Linux (ticket has been filed with ISSC)

List of hostnames:

```
U0037854
U0037855
U0037856
U0037857
U0037858
U0037859
U0037860
U0037861
U0037862
U0037863
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Snellius Building, Room 411

Note: room will likely be closed in September 2024

Specs:

- Intel Core i7-8700 (6 cores, 12 threads)
- 16 GB RAM
- NVidia GeForce GTX 1050, 2 GB VRAM
- 0.5 TB local HDD storage in /scratch/ (no longer available?)

List of hostnames:

U0030310			
U0030312			
U0030313			
U0030317			
U0030319			
U0030320			
U0030321			
U0030330			
U0030343			

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