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DTU Unix Systems & High-Performance Computing

Using the DTU Unix systems for your computations

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Today's goal

There is a world 'outside' your laptop – so let's make the first steps!







The G-bar/HPC Unix systems

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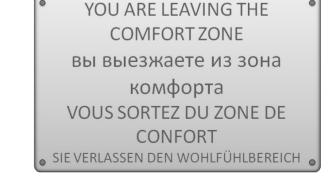
Access to the system

- Remote access from everywhere:
 - ThinLinc remote desktop session:
 - download ThinLinc client from www.thinlinc.com
 - start client & connect to thinlinc.gbar.dtu.dk
 - on mobile devices: https://thinlinc.gbar.dtu.dk/
 - preferred way, if you work a lot with GUIs
 - Secure SHell (ssh) connection (login.gbar.dtu.dk)
 - for the command line oriented users :-)
- On Campus:
 - ThinLinc from Windows computers (Winbar)



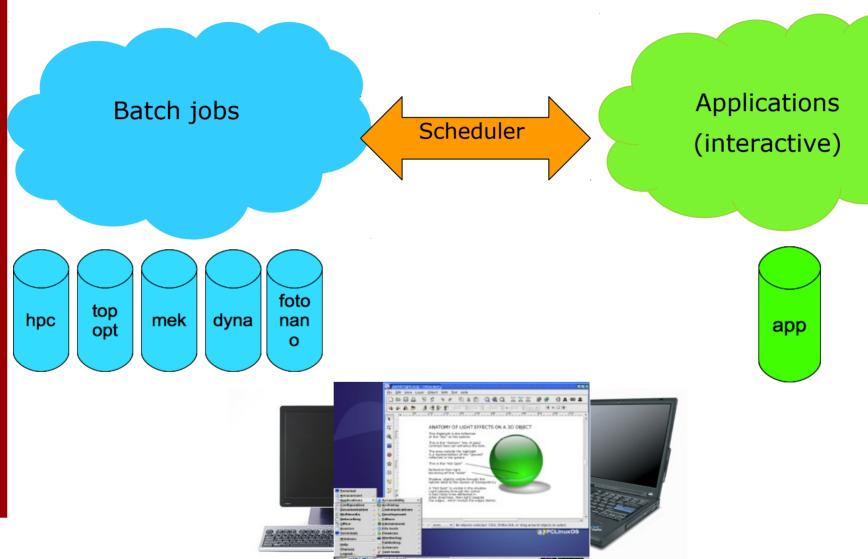
The G-bar/HPC Unix system

- But why and when should you use it?
- Sooner or later ...
 - you want to solve problems that don't fit your laptop any longer!
 - you have to solve many problems, and you run out of time!
- This happens (usually late) in your BSc or MSc project so you'll better be prepared!
- □ So why not start today ... ???
 - it's free!
 - trust me: "it doesn't hurt!"





Our Setup



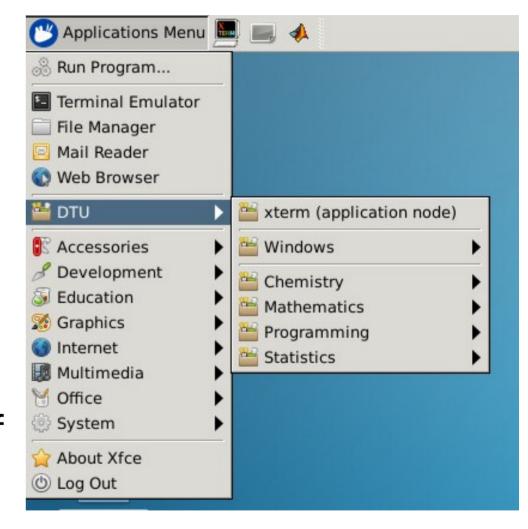


Interactive Work



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- Starting applications from the desktop menu
- Most desktop apps will run on the same server as your desktop (th1, ..., th4)
- Applications from the DTU menu get dispatched on to one of the application nodes





Interactive Work

- "Code of conduct":
 - applications from the menu run on multi-user systems so please behave
 - there are resource limits, too:
 - CPU usage: max. 24 hours CPU time
 - memory: max. 16 GB

If you need more than that, you have to use the batch system!



Access to your files

- To be able to work on the Unix systems, you'll need to transfer your files
- There are several ways to do that:
 - copying: WinSCP, FileZilla, scp, ...
 - mounting your Unix home-directory on your laptop
 - works while on a DTU network, e.g. eduroam
 - for more details see http://gbar.dtu.dk/faq/78-home-directory
- Best practices:
 - avoid spaces and national characters in file names
 - some applications require Unix text format



Batch jobs

Interested? Take a look at www.hpc.dtu.dk/?page_id=2534



Using the system

- On-line demo:
 - logging in
 - creating folder and files
 - writing a simple program
 - compile and run



Summary



Summary – G-bar/HPC systems

- a general computing resource
- Linux based
- accessible
 - from everywhere
 - for everybody with a DTU account
- extends the compute power of your own computer/laptop
- Not to forget: your data is backed up!



Where to get help?

- Today:
 - ask us we are here to help!

- Later:
 - check our webpages:
 - www.gbar.dtu.dk
 - www.hpc.dtu.dk
 - send e-mail to:
 - gbar-support@databar.dtu.dk (general help)
 - support@hpc.dtu.dk (HPC related help)

