

# Condor with GEANT4

- 55 machines support GEANT4 10.2.1 with multithreading support
- What you need to do:
  1. Prepare submit file
  2. Prepare GEANT4 application for condor (i.e. how output files are saved and returned to you – naming conventions so they don't overwrite one another)

# GEANT4 example

- My proton CT simulation takes as input arguments the number of protons and integer defining angle of rotation (number between 1 and 720).
  - Initially this was in a macro file, but I would have to make 720 different files with 720 different parameters for condor usage otherwise
- To run my geant4 app from terminal: `./model <angleID> <numOfProtons>`
- Saves output file as `out<angleID>.csv`

## Steps

- 1) Connect (ssh) to submitter node and build GEANT4 code as normal (don't run on submitter node, except small runs to test!)
  - Submitter node address: `submitter.itservices.manchester.ac.uk`
- 2) Create submit files and run `condor_submit` (`condor_submit submitFile.txt`)
- 3) Wait for output!

# Submit file

- Need to tell condor what computers we want to use:
  - Memory?
  - Processor/cores?
  - How to rank choice of computer, i.e. memory
- Where to save log of job (i.e. time submitted, time executed, time terminated, reason for termination), output from terminal, and error messages
- Where to find the executable file on submitter node
- What arguments to pass to executable
- Where files to transfer with executable i.e. macro files

# SubmitGeant.txt

Universe = vanilla

requirements = (Opsys == "LINUX" && Arch == "X86\_64" && HAS\_GEANT4\_10\_2==true)

rank = Memory

request\_memory = 500

Log = geant.log

Output=geant.out

Error = geant.error

notification = error

WhenToTransferOutput = ON\_EXIT

ShouldTransferFiles = Yes

executable = run\_geant.sh

arguments = 0 400000

transfer\_input\_files = model,run\_geant.sh

Queue 1

# SubmitGeant.txt – multi jobs

Universe = vanilla

requirements = (Opsys == "LINUX" && Arch == "X86\_64" && HAS\_GEANT4\_10\_2==true)

rank = Memory

request\_memory = 500

Log = geant.\$(Process).log

Output=geant.\$(Process).out

Error = geant.\$(Process).error

notification = error

WhenToTransferOutput = ON\_EXIT

ShouldTransferFiles = Yes

executable = run\_geant.sh

arguments = \$(Process) 400000

transfer\_input\_files = model,run\_geant.sh

Queue 720

# run\_geant.sh

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#!/bin/bash
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. geant4.sh
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./model $1 $2
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# this is needed to source the environment variables for geant4 to run on the computer the job has  
# been submitted to, otherwise you'll get an error
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# Submitting C++ jobs

Application name: BPFMod

- Arguments: <angleID>
- Input files: proj<angleID>.csv
- Output files: out<angleID>.csv

Note: I was getting errors due to missing libraries, and had to compile with the -static option to run.

Universe = vanilla

requirements = (Opsys == "LINUX" && Arch == "X86\_64")

rank = Memory

request\_memory = 400

Log = BPFMod.\$(Process).log

Output=BPFMod.\$(Process).out

Error = BPFMod.\$(Process).error

notification = error

WhenToTransferOutput = ON\_EXIT

ShouldTransferFiles = Yes

executable = BPFMod

arguments = \$(Process)

transfer\_input\_files = BPFMod,proj\$(Process).csv

Queue 720

# Submitting MATLAB jobs

MATLAB code: WEPL.m

- Arguments: <angleID>
- Input files: out<angleID>\_nt\_Model.csv
- Output files: proj<angleID>\_nt\_Model.csv
- Compilation:  
  
mcc -R -singleCompThread -m WEPL.m
- Creates run\_WEPL.sh and WEPL files

Universe = vanilla

requirements = (Opsys == "LINUX" && Arch == "X86\_64" && HAS\_MATLAB\_2013=?=True)

rank = Memory

request\_memory = 500

Log = matlab.\$(Process).log

Output=matlab\$(Process).out

Error = matlab\$(Process).error

notification = error

WhenToTransferOutput = ON\_EXIT

ShouldTransferFiles = Yes

executable = run\_WEPL.sh

arguments = /opt/MATLAB/MATLAB\_Compiler\_Runtime/v81/ \$(Process)

transfer\_input\_files = WEPL,run\_WEPL.sh,out\$(Process)\_nt\_Model.csv

Queue 720



# Notes

- I'm able to run ~ 200 jobs simultaneously during the day, not sure about evenings
- On the weekend, reached > 2000 jobs with C++ jobs
- Useful commands:
  - `condor_submit submitFilename.txt`
  - `condor_q username` (see jobs you have submitted, how long they've been running etc)
  - `condor_rm username` (remove all jobs)
  - `condor_prio -p <priority> <processID>` (change priority of job)

# Useful links

- <http://matchmaker.itservices.manchester.ac.uk/condorstatus/>  
- shows status of condor pool
- [http://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/manual/current/11\\_Command\\_Reference.html](http://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/manual/current/11_Command_Reference.html)
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