Raspberry Pi Cluster Setup

- 1. Install OS onto microSD card
 - a. Master node options
 - i. Raspbian
 - ii. Raspbian Lite
 - b. Slave nodes → Raspbian Lite
 - c. Raspberry Pi Imager makes this easy
- 2. Setup geographic info
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "5. Localization Options"
 - i. "L1. Locale"
 - 1. Deselect "en_GB.UTF-8 UTF-8"
 - 2. Select "en_US.UTF-8 UTF-8"
 - 3. Select "en_US.UTF-8" as default
 - ii. "L2. Timezone"
 - 1. "US"
 - 2. "Central"
 - iii. "L3. Keyboard"
 - 1. Select "HP Pavilion ZT1100" or "Generic 104-key PC"
 - 2. Select "Other"
 - 3. Select "English (US)"
 - 4. Select "English (US)"
 - 5. Select "No AltGr key"
 - 6. Select "No compose key"
- 3. Setup Wi-Fi connection
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "1. System Options"
 - c. "S1 Wireless LAN"
 - d. Select "US United States"
 - e. Enter Wi-Fi information
 - f. Exit raspi-config
- 4. Change hostname
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "1. System Options"
 - c. "S4. Hostname"
 - d. <node name><node #>
 - i. Ex: node0, node1,...
- 5. Change default password for pi account
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "1. System Options"
 - c. "S3. Password"
 - d. Enter new password
- 6. Increase amount of RAM available
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "4. Performance Options"
 - c. "P2. GPU Memory"
 - d. Set to either 16 or 32 (probably 16)

- 7. Enable SSH
 - a. \$ sudo raspi-config
 - b. "3. Interface Options"
 - c. "P2. SSH"
 - d. Select "Enable" or "Yes"
- 8. Add "raspberry_pi_cluster" repo
 - a. \$ git clone

https://github.com/TheOGChips/raspberry_pi_cluster.git
~/raspberry_pi_cluster

- 9. Setup Ethernet connection
 - a. \$ cd raspberry_pi_cluster
 - b.\$ sudo su
 - c. # bash eth_static_ip_setup.sh <node #>
- 10. Setup VNC (master node only)
 - a.\$ cd raspberry_pi_cluster
 - b.\$ sudo su
 - c. # bash vnc_setup.sh
 - d. # exit
 - e. \$ source ~/.bash_aliases
 - f. \$ start-vnc
 - g. \$ bash vnc_config.sh
 - h. Note: Optional. Only useful if Raspbian (not Raspbian Lite) image is running on master node.
- 11. Reboot the Raspberry Pi
 - a. Test SSH connectivity
 - i. \$ ssh pi@<IP address created in step 9>
 - b. Test Wi-Fi connectivity
 - i. \$ sudo apt update
 - 1. Note: if no errors → working
- 12. Repeat steps 1 through 11 for each node in the cluster
- 13. On main computer (the one you'll be managing and accessing the cluster from), install and configure ClusterSSH
 - a. \$ bash clusterssh_setup.sh
- 14. Using ClusterSSH: install OpenMPI and mpi4py, create aliases for their commands, create and mount an NFS (network file system), and setup trusted SSH communication amongst all nodes in the cluster
 - a. \$ cssh
 - i. Note: This will open all IP addresses automatically under default (no need to specify IP addresses). There will be one terminal window for each Pi.
 - ii. On master node
 - 1. \$ bash comm_setup.sh master
 - iii. On slave nodes
 - 1. \$ bash comm_setup.sh slave

- 15. Setup SLURM
 - a. On master node
 - i. \$ bash slurm_setup/slurm_setup.sh master
 - ii. Reboot
 - 1. # reboot
 - b. On each slave node
 - i.\$ bash slurm_setup/slurm_setup.sh slave
 - ii. Testing Munge
 - 1. If you see an error message...
 - 1. Double-check that munge.key is identical across all nodes
 - 2. Reboot all nodes
 - 3. Try "\$ ssh pi@node01 munge -n | unmunge" again
 - 4. If there's still an error, try replicating munge.key across all nodes and retry again
 - iii. Testing SLURM
 - 1. If you see another error message...
 - 1. Reboot all Pis
 - 2. Try the following again:
 - 1. sinfo
 - 2. srun --nodes=<# slave nodes> hostname

16. Sources:

- a. Part 1: https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-784f0df9afbd
- b. Part 2: https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi cluster-aaa8d1f3d2ca
- c. Part 3: https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-picluster-f5f2446702e8