## 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...
        - 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. Primary
    - i. Part 1: <a href="https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-784f0df9afbd">https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-784f0df9afbd</a>
    - ii. Part 2: <a href="https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-aaa8d1f3d2ca">https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-aaa8d1f3d2ca</a>
    - iii. Part 3: <a href="https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-f5f2446702e8">https://glmdev.medium.com/building-a-raspberry-pi-cluster-f5f2446702e8</a>
  - b. Secondary
    - i. https://magpi.raspberrypi.org/articles/build-a-raspberrypi-cluster-computer