





Introduction to the Piz Daint environment

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Piz Daint

Computing nodes

Piz Daint is a hybrid cluster of Cray XC40/XC50 nodes

- Hybrid nodes (XC50)
 - 5320 total
 - Intel® Xeon® E5-2690 v3 @ 2.60GHz (12 cores, 64GB RAM, Haswell)
 - NVIDIA® Tesla® P100 16GB (Pascal)
- Multicore nodes
 - 1813 nodes
 - Two Intel® Xeon®E5-2695 v4 @ 2.10GHz (2 x 18 cores, 64/128 GB RAM, Broadwell)
- Login nodes
 - 5 total
 - Intel® Xeon®CPU E5-2650 v3 @ 2.30GHz (10 cores, 256 GB RAM, Haswell)
- Aries routing and communications ASIC, and Dragonfly network topology



Piz Daint

Filesystems

- /scratch: High performance Lustre filesystem accessible from the computing nodes
 - Environment variable \$SCRATCH points to it
 - Total capacity: 8.8 PB
 - Must be used for heavy I/O
- /users: GPFS filesystem for the users' homes
- /project, /store: Long-term storage for computational projects

More on https://user.cscs.ch/storage/file_systems/

Accessing Piz Daint

- Accessible through SSH
- Piz Daint is not directly accessible from the outside world:
 - ela → daint10x → nidxxxxx

Two-steps process:

- 1. Login to the frontend, forwarding X11 (will be needed the second day)
- 2. Move to the login nodes of Piz Daint

```
# Login to the frontend first
ssh -Y classXXX@ela.cscs.ch
ssh -Y daint
```





Programming Environments

Cray Linux Programming Environment

- 4 compilers available: CCE, GNU, INTEL, PGI
- 4 predefined Programming Environments:
 - PrgEnv-cray (default), PrgEnv-gnu, PrgEnv-intel, PrgEnv-pgi
 - echo \$PE_ENV to get the current PrgEnv
- 3 wrappers available: ftn (Fortran), cc (C), CC (C++)
 - Required for compiling MPI programs
 - They set appropriate optimisation flags for the target architecture (CPU or GPU)
 - They provide a sort of portability across the programming environments





Daint uses *Environment Modules* (TMod) for managing the programming environments and the software packages:

- Dynamic modification of a user's environment via modulefiles.
- All programming environments and software on Daint is available through modules.
- The compiler wrappers will detect the loaded programming environment and automatically set the correct flags and libraries.





Listing modules

```
$ module list
Currently Loaded Modulefiles:
 1) modules/3.2.11.3
                                                      12) job/2.2.4-7.0.1.1_3.8__g36b56f4.ari
  2) cce/9.0.2
                                                      13) dvs/2.12_2.2.151-7.0.1.1_5.6__g7eb5e703
  3) craype-network-aries
                                                      14) alps/6.6.56-7.0.1.1_4.10__g2e60a7e4.ari
  4) craype/2.6.1
                                                      15) rca/2.2.20-7.0.1.1 4.9 g8e3fb5b.ari
  5) cray-libsci/19.06.1
                                                      16) atp/2.1.3
  6) udreg/2.3.2-7.0.1.1_3.9__g8175d3d.ari
                                                      17) perftools-base/7.1.1
 7) ugni/6.0.14.0-7.0.1.1 7.10 ge78e5b0.ari
                                                      18) PrgEnv-crav/6.0.5
                                                      19) cray-mpich/7.7.10
  8) pmi/5.0.14
 9) dmapp/7.1.1-7.0.1.1_4.8__g38cf134.ari
                                                      20) slurm/20.02.2-1
10) gni-headers/5.0.12.0-7.0.1.1_6.7__g3b1768f.ari
                                                     21) cravpe-haswell
11) xpmem/2.2.19-7.0.1.1_3.7__gdcf436c.ari
                                                      22) xalt/2.7.24
```



Switching programming environments

```
$ module switch PrgEnv-cray/6.0.5 PrgEnv-pgi
$ module list
Currently Loaded Modulefiles:
1) modules/3.2.11.3
2) pgi/19.7.0
3) craype-haswell
4) craype-network-aries
5) craype/2.6.1
6) cray-mpich/7.7.10
7) slurm/20.02.2-1
8) xalt/2.7.24
9) udreg/2.3.2-7.0.1.1_3.9__g8175d3d.ari
10) ugni/6.0.14.0-7.0.1.1_7.10__ge78e5b0.ari
11) pmi/5.0.14
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13) gni-headers/5.0.12.0-7.0.1.1_6.7__g3b1768f.ari
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17) alps/6.6.56-7.0.1.1_4.10__g2e60a7e4.ari
18) rca/2.2.20-7.0.1.1_4.9__g8e3fb5b.ari
19) atp/2.1.3
20) perftools-base/7.1.1
21) PreEnv-pgi/6.0.5
```



Switching back to the Cray programming environment

```
$ module switch PrgEnv-pgi/6.0.5 PrgEnv-cray
$ module list
Currently Loaded Modulefiles:
1) modules/3.2.11.3
2) slurm/20.02.2-1
3) xalt/2.7.24
4) cce/9.0.2
5) craype-haswell
6) craype-network-aries
7) craype/2.6.1
8) cray-mpich/7.7.10
9) cray-libsci/19.06.1
10) udreg/2.3.2-7.0.1.1_3.9__g8175d3d.ari
11) ugni/6.0.14.0-7.0.1.1_7.10__ge78e5b0.ari
```

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12) pmi/5.0.14
13) dmapp/7.1.1-7.0.1.1_4.8__g38cf134.ari
14) gni-headers/5.0.12.0-7.0.1.1_6.7__g3b1768f.ari
15) xpmem/2.2.19-7.0.1.1_3.7__gdcf436c.ari
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18) alps/6.6.56-7.0.1.1_4.10__g2e60a7e4.ari
19) rca/2.2.20-7.0.1.1_4.9__g8e3fb5b.ari
20) atp/2.1.3
21) perftools-base/7.1.1
22) PreEnv-crav/6.0.5
```





Loading and unloading modules

```
$ module load cray-hdf5
$ which h5dump
/opt/cray/pe/hdf5/1.10.5.1/bin/h5dump
$ module unload cray-hdf5
$ which h5dump
which: no h5dump in (/opt/cray/pe/perftools/7.1.1/bin:/opt/cray/pe/papi/5.7.0.2/bin:/opt/cray/rca
     ⇒/2.2.20-7.0.1.1 4.9 g8e3fb5b.ari/bin:/opt/cray/alps/6.6.56-7.0.1.1 4.10 g2e60a7e4.ari/sbin:/opt
     ⇒/cray/alps/default/bin:/opt/cray/job/2.2.4-7.0.1.1_3.8__g36b56f4.ari/bin:/opt/cray/pe/mpt/7.7.10/
     ⇒gni/bin:/opt/cray/pe/craype/2.6.1/bin:/opt/cray/pe/cce/9.0.2/cce-clang/x86_64/bin:/opt/cray/pe/
     ⇒cce/9.0.2/binutils/x86 64/x86 64-pc-linux-gnu/bin:/opt/crav/pe/cce/9.0.2/binutils/cross/x86 64-
     waarch64/aarch64-linux-gnu/../bin:/opt/cray/pe/cce/9.0.2/utils/x86 64/bin:/users/karakasy/local/
     ⇒bin:/users/karakasy/local/sbin:/apps/daint/UES/xalt/xalt2/software/xalt/2.7.24/sbin:/apps/daint/
     ₩UES/xalt/xalt2/software/xalt/2.7.24/bin:/opt/crav/pe/modules/3.2.11.3/bin:/apps/daint/system/bin
     ➡:/apps/common/system/bin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/bin:/usr/lib/mit/bin:/usr/lib/mit/sbin:/opt/
     ⇒crav/pe/bin)
$ h5dump
If 'h5dump' is not a type you can use command-not-found to lookup the package that contains it. like
     ⇒this:
   cnf h5dump
```



Checking available modules





Loading the CSCS software stack





Get information about a module

```
$ module show gcc
/opt/modulefiles/gcc/8.3.0:
conflict
               gcc
conflict
               gcc-cross-aarch64
prepend-path PATH /opt/gcc/8.3.0/bin
prepend-path
              MANPATH /opt/gcc/8.3.0/snos/share/man
prepend-path
              INFOPATH /opt/gcc/8.3.0/snos/share/info
              LD_LIBRARY_PATH /opt/gcc/8.3.0/snos/lib64
prepend-path
              GCC_PATH /opt/gcc/8.3.0
setenv
       GCC_VERSION 8.3.0
setenv
              GNU VERSION 8.3.0
setenv
```





Get help for a module

```
$ module help TensorFlow
----- Module Specific Help for 'TensorFlow/2.2.0-CrayGNU-19.10-cuda-10.1.168'
Description
An open-source software library for Machine Intelligence.
More information
- Homepage: https://www.tensorflow.org/
Included extensions
grpcio-1.24.0, tensorboard-2.2.1, tensorflow-estimator-2.2.0
```



The job scheduler

Piz Daint uses native SLURM for running jobs on the compute nodes. There are three ways of submitting a job:

- 1. Interactively from the login nodes using the srun command.
- 2. By submitting a job script using the sbatch command.
- 3. By pre-allocating resources using the salloc command.

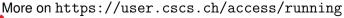


Using the srun command

Necessary and useful options:

- C gpu: requests allocation on the hybrid (GPU) nodes (required)
- -A class0x
- --reservation=summerschool
 - 220 nodes, valid on weekdays 08:30–18:30 CEST until July 30th
- -N 2: number of compute nodes (default is 1)
- -n 2: number of MPI tasks (default is 1)
- -t 5: maximum duration of the job (default is 30min)
 - Allows to get an allocation quicker
 - Job will be killed if time limit is reached
 - Maximum time slot for a job is 24h





Using the srun command

```
$ srun --reservation=summerschool -Cgpu -Aclass0x -t1 -N2 hostname srun: job 24097869 queued and waiting for resources srun: job 24097869 has been allocated resources nid01994 nid01995
```





Using the sbatch command

```
$ cat > iob.sh
#!/hin/hash
#SBATCH -J 'mv_first_job'
#SBATCH -C gpu
#SBATCH -A classOx
#SBATCH -N 2
#SBATCH --reservation=summerschool
#SBATCH -o mviob.out
#SBATCH -e myjob.err
echo "My job id is $SLURM_JOB_ID"
srun hostname
^ D
$ sbatch iob.sh
Submitted batch job 24101970
$ squeue -i 24101970
  JOBID
           USER ACCOUNT
                                   NAME ST REASON
                                                      START TIME
                                                                            TIME
                                                                                 TIME LEFT NODES CPUS
24101970 karakasy csstaff
                           my_first_job PD Priority N/A
                                                                            0.00
                                                                                       1:00
$ squeue -i 24101970
  JOBID
           USER ACCOUNT
                                   NAME ST REASON
                                                      START_TIME
                                                                           TIME
                                                                                TIME_LEFT NODES CPUS
24101970 karakasy csstaff
                           my_first_job R None
                                                      18:14:26
                                                                            0:21
                                                                                       0:39
                                                                                                2
                                                                                                  48
$ cat mviob.err
$ cat mviob.out
My job id is 24101970
nid01985
nid01986
```



Using the salloc command

```
$ salloc -AclassOx -Cgpu -t1 -N2
salloc: Pending job allocation 24102049
salloc: job 24102049 queued and waiting for resources
salloc: gob 24102049 has been allocated resources
salloc: Granted job allocation 24102049
$ srun -N2 hostname
nid01986
nid01985
$ srun -N1 hostname
nid01985
$ srun -N4 hostname
srun: error: Only allocated 2 nodes asked for 4
$ exit
salloc: Relinquishing job allocation 24102049
salloc: Job allocation 24102049 has been revoked.
```



Other useful commands

- squeue [OPTIONS]: Check the status of the system job queue
 - Useful options: -u [USERNAME], -j [JOBID]
- scancel [JOBID]: Cancel a job
- scontrol: Detailed information about partitions, reservations, computing nodes etc.





Other useful commands

```
$ scontrol show reservation summerschool
    ReservationName=summerschool StartTime=Tomorr 08:30 EndTime=Tomorr 18:30 Duration=10:00:00
    Nodes=nid0[2304-2319.2324-2351.2360-2382.2388-2415.2420-2423.2426.2431-2457.2459-2551] NodeCnt=220
         ⇒CoreCnt=2640 Features=gpu PartitionName=normal Flags=WEEKDAY
    TRES = cpu = 5280
    Users=(null) Groups=(null) Accounts=class05, class06, class07, csstaff Licenses=(null) State=INACTIVE
         ⇒BurstBuffer=(null) Watts=n/a
    MaxStartDelay=(null)
$ scontrol show partition normal
PartitionName=normal
   AllowGroups=ALL AllowAccounts=ALL AllowQos=ALL
   AllocNodes=ALL Default=YES QoS=N/A
   DefaultTime=00:30:00 DisableRootJobs=NO ExclusiveUser=NO GraceTime=0 Hidden=NO
   MaxNodes=2400 MaxTime=1-00:00:00 MinNodes=1 LINENO MaxCPUsPerNode=UNITMITED
   Nodes=nid0
        ➡ [0004-0007,0012-0024,0026-0062,0064-0067,0072-0126,0128-0190,0192-0195,0200-0254,0260-0318,0320-0323,0
   PriorityJobFactor=10 PriorityTier=20 RootOnly=NO RegResy=NO OverSubscribe=EXCLUSIVE
   OverTimeLimit = NONE PreemptMode = OFF
   State=UP TotalCPUs=246720 TotalNodes=7212 SelectTypeParameters=NONE
   JobDefaults = (null)
   DefMemPerNode=UNLIMITED MaxMemPerNode=UNLIMITED
```





Editing files

- vim or gvim (X version)
- emacs -nw or just emacs (X version)
- gedit (X only)



Moving data to/from CSCS

- scp: Remote copy over SSH
 - Getting a file: scp classXXX@ela.cscs.ch:remotefile localfile
 - Getting a directory: scp -r classXXX@ela.cscs.ch:remotedir localdir
 - Sending a file: scp localfile classXXX@ela.cscs.ch:remotefile
 - Sending a directory: scp localdir classXXX@ela.cscs.ch:remotedir
 - NOTE: The \$SCRATCH filesystem is not mounted in the frontend nodes
- rsync: Synchronize files remotely over SSH
 - rsync -avz classXXX@ela.cscs.ch:remotedir/ localdir/
 - rsync -avz localdir/ classXXXQela.cscs.ch:remotedir/
 - Pay attention to the slashes! rsync behaves differently with or without slashes.





Summer school repository

All the material of the course is placed inside the following Github repo:

- https://github.com/eth-cscs/SummerSchool2021
- For instructions on how to clone and pull from the repository, check its front page.

Organization of the repository

- miniapp/: The different versions of the mini-app that you will work throughout the summer school + slides.
- topics/: The practical exercises of the different topics that will be covered during the the summer school + slides.
- scripts/: Useful scripts for the exercises and the mini-app.

Solutions:

■ The solutions of the exercises and the mini-app will appear at the end of the summer school in subfolders named solutions/ under each respective topic.

