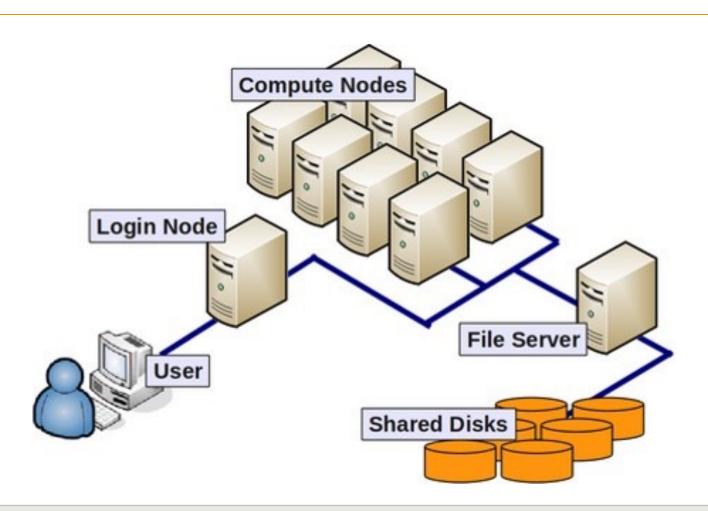
Dynamically optimize your jobs' RAM and run time requests with SmartSlurm

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Generic Cluster Architecture





What is Slurm scheduler

- Allocates exclusive and/or non-exclusive access to resources (compute nodes) to users for some duration of time so they can perform work.
- Provides a framework for starting, executing, and monitoring work (normally parallel jobs) on the set of allocated nodes.
- Arbitrates contention for resources by managing a queue of pending work.

-- from: https://slurm.schedmd.com/overview.html



Slurm scheduler

• Sbatch command to submit jobs:

```
sbatch --mem 2G -t 2:0:0 cmd
```

• Job dependency:

```
sbatch --mem 2G -t 2:0:0 \
-d afterok:123:321 cmd
```

HMS RC O₂ Cluster

- O2 runs wildly diverse software and each software has unique resource requirement
- Same software run on different data set can have different specs
- The software x reqs x dataset combination space is huge. Impossible to efficiently assign static resources
- Number of jobs also very large, not possible to manually manage

Issues to resolve

Jobs reserve excessive resources

- Jobs succeed
- Wasted resources unavailable to other users

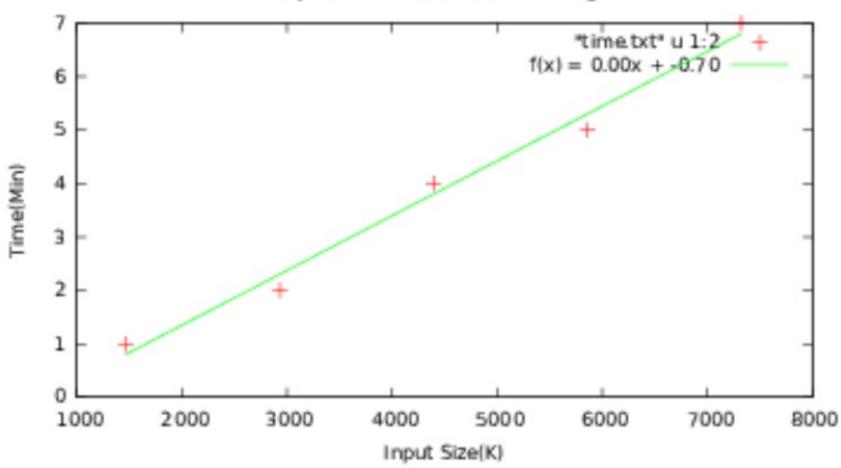
Jobs reserve insufficient resources

- Jobs fail
- Jobs must be manually rerun with more resources
- Wastes user time. Delays results



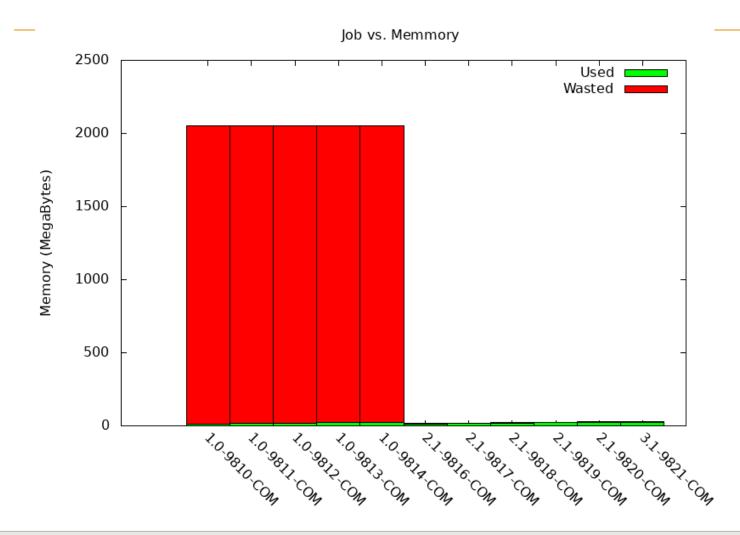
Ideal solution

Input Size vs. Time Usage





Ideal solution





Smart Slurm

- ssbatch, which is a sbatch wrapper:
 - Check job was finished successfully or not
 - Estimate memory RAM and time based on several factors (i.e., program type, input size, previous job records)
 - Submit job
 - Monitor and log memory and time usage by the job
 - Re-run OOT/OOM job and send detailed email notifications
- runAsPipeline: It parses special bash script to find user defined commands and call ssbatch to submit jobs to Slurm. It take care of job dependency.

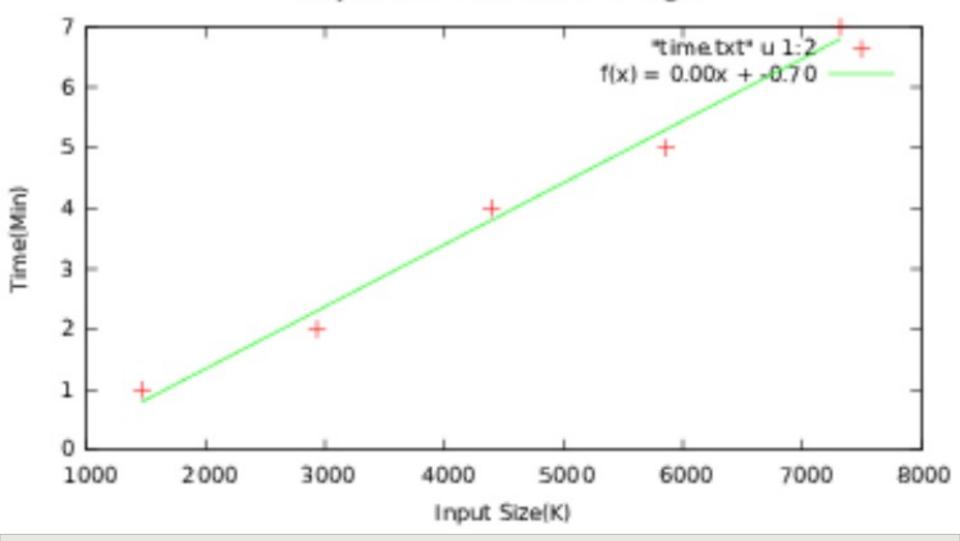


ssbatch

```
$ ssbatch
   -P program \
   -R reference \
   -I input.txt \
   -F uniqueJobFlag \
   --mem 2G -t 2:0:0 -p short cmd
```



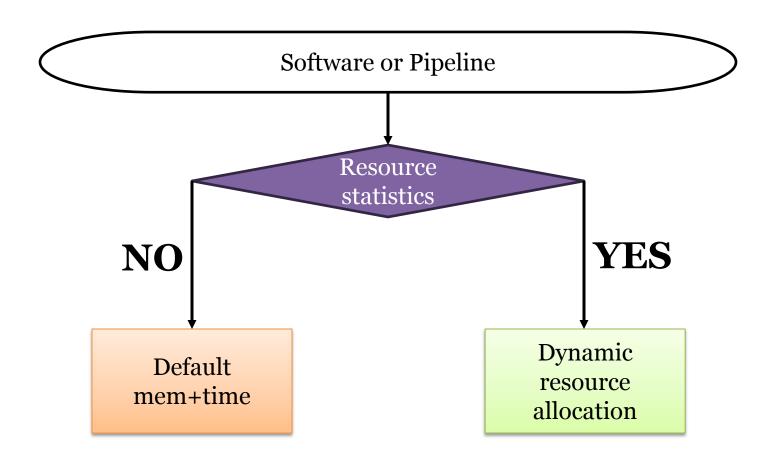
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ssbatch logic



Inside each job

- Monitor real-time mem/CPU usage
- When job finishes, send email notification
- If job succeeds, keep a log of max mem and time
- Otherwise
 - 1. OOM ==> re-submit with more memory
 - 2. OOT ==> re-submit with more time
 - 3. Fail: save error message to output file
- Send user notification email
- Manage pending/downstream jobs

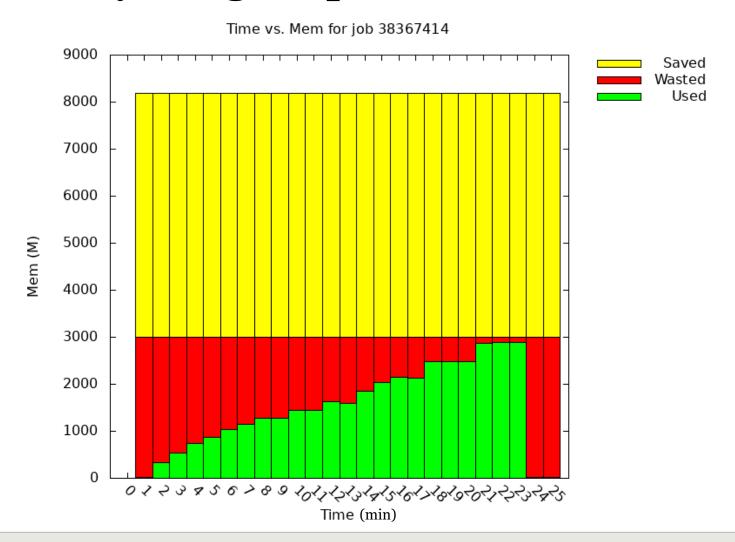
Scripts

```
jid=$(checkIfItIsDone.sh && \
    estimateMemTime.sh && \
    sbatch -t $mT --mem $mMem \
    -o jobx.out -e jobx.err
    --wrap "monitorResource.sh & \
    someCmd && touch jobx.success; \
    cleanUp.sh;")
```

What the red scripts do?

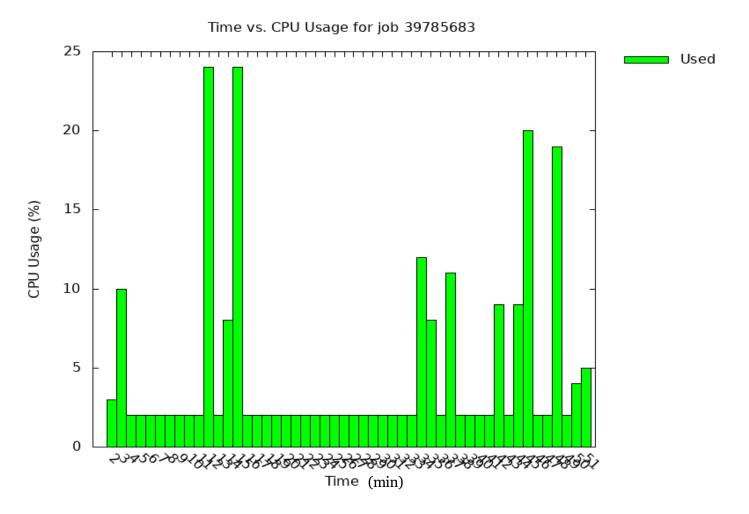


Memory usage report





CPU usage report





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A simple pipeline in bash

```
$ cat bashScript.sh
for i in {1..5}; do
   input=numbers$i.txt
   grep 123 $input > number.$i.txt
Done
cat number.*.txt > all.txt
$ sbatch -mem 25G -t 20-0:0 bashScript.sh
```

Converting to Slurm pipeline

```
for i in {1..5}; do
   input=numbers$i.txt

id=$(sbatch -p short -t 5 --wrap "grep 123 \
        $input > number$i.txt")

done

sbatch -p short -t 5 -d afterok:$id --wrap "cat \
        number.*.txt > all.txt"
```

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```
deps=afterok
for i in {1..5}; do
    input=numbers$i.txt

    id=$(sbatch -p short -t 5 --wrap "grep 123 \
        $input > number$i.txt")
    deps=$deps:$id
done

sbatch -p short -t 5 -d $deps --wrap "cat \
    number.*.txt > all.txt"
```



Can we automate it?

```
for i in {1..5}; do
   input=numbers$i.txt

#@ Please submit as job with 1G memory,
   #@ with 5 minute and 1 CPU without pending.
   grep 123 $input > number.$i.txt

Done

#@ Please submit as job with 2G memory,
#@ with 5 minute and 1 CPU and wait for the other 5 jobs
cat number.*.txt > all.txt
```



Smart Slurm decorator syntax

```
#@1,0,find,none,input,sbatch -t 5 --mem 1G
find.sh 123 $input > number.$i.txt
#@
     → This row is a decorator for runAsPipeline to parse
      → Step ID
      → The step IDs this step depends on
0
find \rightarrow Step name.
None -> Reference
Input. -> input for the step.
sbatch \rightarrow default sbatch command to use
```



Can we automate it?

```
$ cat specialBashScript.sh
for i in {1..5}; do
  input=numbers$i.txt
  #@1,0,find,,input,sbatch -t 5 --mem 1G
  grep 123 $input > number.$i.txt
Done
#@2,1,merge
cat number.*.txt > all.txt
```



runAsPipeline

```
$ runAsPipeline
specialBashScript.sh
"sbatch --mem 2G -t 2:0:0" \
useTmp/noTmp [run]
```

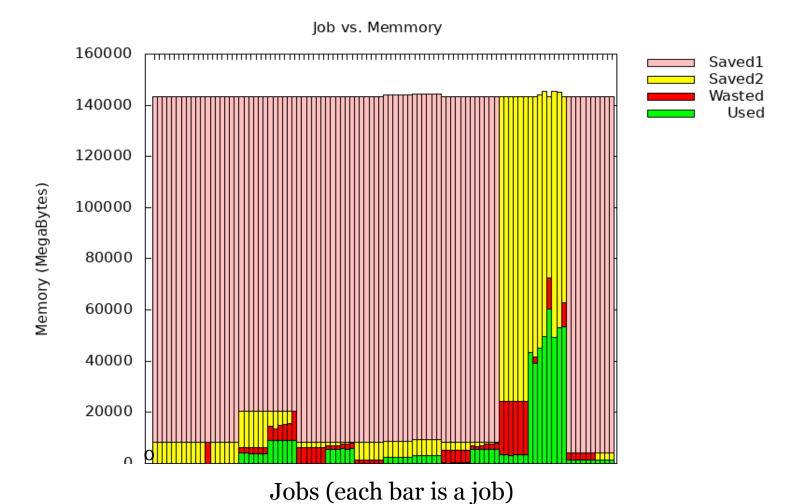
Other tools

```
$ checkRun
Available log folders or log file:
1 folder: log
2 file:    .smartSlurm.log
3 folder: log.2024-05-30.10-06-18
4 file:    .smartSlurm.log.2024-05-30.10-06-15
Please select the log or folder you want to check or type q to quit:
```

\$ cancelAllJobs



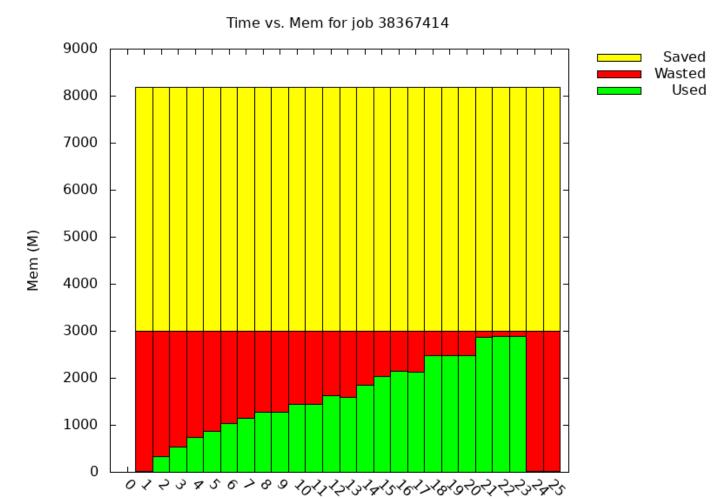
Case study (Nascent Transcriptomics Core @ HMS)







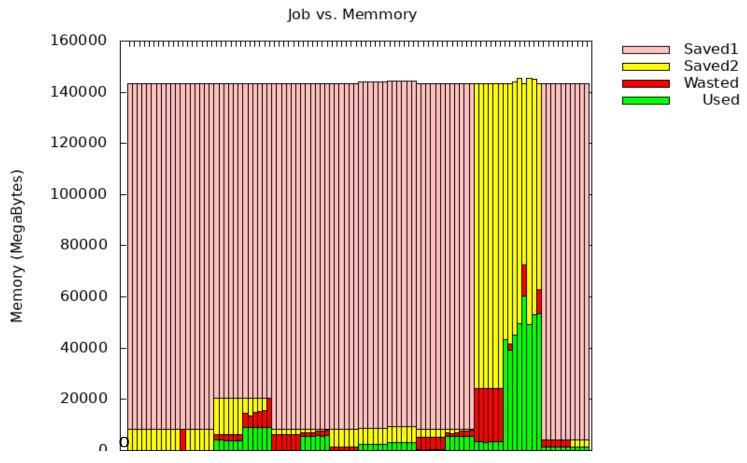
Future 1: Breakpoint support



Time (min)



Future 2: Auto split workflow



Jobs (each bar is a job)

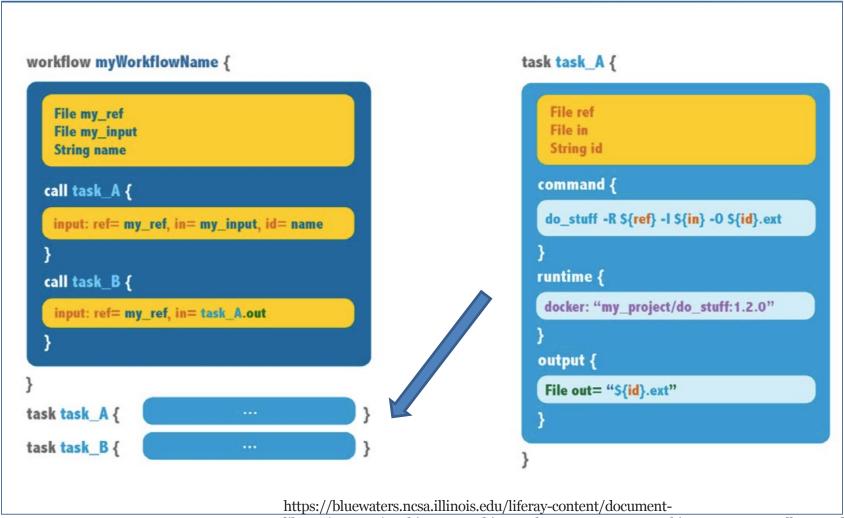




How do I access Smart Slurm?

- https://github.com/ld32/SmartSlurm
- Git clone https://github.com/ld32/smartSlurm
- export PATH=\$PWD/SmartSlurm/bin:\$PATH

Solution 1: Cromwell using 'CWL' file



library/content/Ruchi%20Munshi.%20Blue%20Waters%20webinar.%20Cromwell%20and%20WDL.pdf





Solution 2: BCBio using 'yaml/CWL' file

```
upload:
  dir: ../final
details:
 - files: [../input/NA12878-NGv3-LAB1360-A_1.fastq.gz, ...
    description: NA12878
    metadata:
      sex: female
    analysis: variant2
    genome_build: hg38
    algorithm:
      aligner: bwa
      variantcaller: gatk-haplotype
      validate: giab-NA12878/truth_small_variants.vcf.gz
      validate_regions: giab-NA12878/truth_regions.bed
      variant_regions: capture_regions/Exome-NGv3
```

bcbio_nextgen.py config/NA12878-exome-methodcmp.yaml -n 8

https://bcbio-nextgen.readthedocs.io/en/latest/contents/intro.html#workflow



Solution 3: NextFlow script

```
#!/usr/bin/env nextflow
params.in = "$baseDir/data/sample.fa"
 * split a fasta file in multiple files
process splitSequences {
    input:
    path 'input.fa' from params.in
    output:
    path 'seq_*' into records
    .....
    awk '/^>/{f="seq_"++d} {print > f}' < input.fa
```

https://www.nextflow.io/example1.html



Solution 4: Snakemake using makefile

Dependencies are implicit and 'backwards'

```
rule a:
    input: "start/{sample}.txt"
    output: "mid/{sample}.txt"
    shell: "sort {input} > {output}"
    rule b:
    input: "mid/{sample}.txt"
    output: "final/ ABC .summary"
    shell: "uniq -c {input} > {output}"
```

\$ snakemake final/ABC.summary

https://hpc.nih.gov/training/handouts/180221_snakemake_class_web.pdf



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