

# OpenHPC: Beyond the Install Guide for PEARC24

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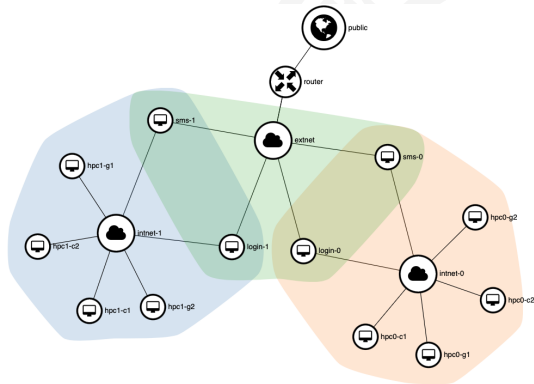
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- ACCESS** current maintainers of the project formerly known as the XSEDE Compatible Basic Cluster.

## Where we're starting from



31 HPC clusters (2 shown) with:

1. Rocky Linux 9
2. OpenHPC 3
3. Warewulf 3
4. Slurm
5. 2 non-GPU nodes
6. 2 GPU nodes (currently without GPU drivers, so: expensive non-GPU nodes)
7. 1 management node (SMS)
8. 1 unprovisioned login node

Figure 1: Two example HPC networks

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We used the OpenHPC automatic installation script from Appendix A with a few variations:

1. Installed s-nail to have a valid MailProg for `slurm.conf`.
2. Created `user1` and `user2` accounts with password-less `sudo` privileges.
3. Changed `CHROOT` from `/opt/ohpc/admin/images/rocky9.3` to `/opt/ohpc/admin/images/rocky9.4`.
4. Enabled `slurmd` and `munge` in `CHROOT`.
5. Added `nano` and `yum` to `CHROOT`.
6. Removed a redundant `ReturnToService` line from `/etc/slurm/slurm.conf`.
7. Stored all nodes' SSH host keys in `/etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts`.

## Where we're going

1. A slightly more secured SMS
2. A login node that's practically identical to a compute node (except for where it needs to be different)
3. GPU drivers on the GPU nodes
4. Using node-local storage for the OS and/or scratch
5. De-coupling the SMS and the compute nodes (e.g., independent kernel versions)
6. Easier management of node differences (GPU or not, diskless/single-disk/multi-disk, Infiniband or not, etc.)
7. Slurm configuration to match some common policy goals (fair share, resource limits, etc.)

## Sample slide

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