

# OAR



A resource manager  
and batch scheduler  
for large clusters



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# Overview

- Batch scheduler / resource manager
- Clusters / Grids
- Open Source

# Technical Overview

- Perl
- SSH
- DataBase: MySQL / Postgres

# Features

- Batch and Interactive jobs
- Reservations
- Besteffort jobs
- Job dependencies

# Features

- **Environment deployment** (taktuk)
- **Good nodes cleaning after a job** (cpuset feature)
- **Multi-scheduler** (one of these provided is Fair-Sharing)
- **Gantt scheduling**
- **Two web interfaces**

# Advantages

- No specific daemon on nodes
- No dependence on specific computing libraries (like MPI)
- Upgrades are made on the servers, nothing to do on computing nodes
- Manages heterogeneous clusters

# Advantages

- Checkpoint / resubmit jobs
- Licences servers management support
- Hierarchical resource requests  
(heterogeneous clusters)
- Dynamic nodes support

# Principles

- ➊ Database

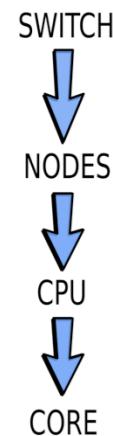
- ➊ Contains all the OAR's cluster knowledge
  - ➊ OAR's communications nerve center

- ➋ Everything is a resource

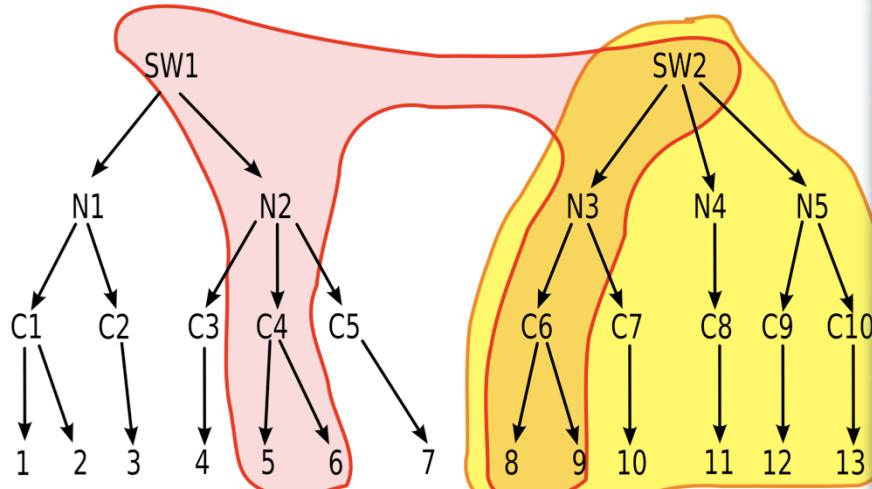
- ➊ Compute nodes, cpus, cores, licences, memory...
  - ➊ Flexible resources hierarchy

# Resources hierarchy example

Resource property hierarchy



Tree example of a heterogeneous cluster



You can configure your own hierarchy with the property names that you want

`oarsub -l /switch=2/nodes=1/cpu=1/core=2`

This command reserves 2 cores on a cpu on a node on 2 different switches (so 2 computers)

`oarsub -l /switch=1`

This command reserves 1 switch entirely

# Principles

- SSH wrapper OARSH: only way to connect a node
- Use of cpuset: enhances job cleaning
- Temporary users: better isolation

# Principles

- Taktuk based: (<http://taktuk.gforge.inria.fr>)
  - Large scale remote execution deployment
  - Used for nodes management
- Scheduling implementation language is free



# Partners



# Contact

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# Demos