

1 Current hardware/software

As of 2020-01-22, we have 5 "old" nodes and 2 "new nodes":

Number	Cores	RAM	Storage	OS	IDL	Matlab	Python	Comments
1		32 GiB	2 TiB	Ubuntu 14.04	Yes	Yes	3	Main node
2		32 GiB	2 TiB	Ubuntu 14.04	Yes	Yes	3	
3								Dead
4								Dead
5								Dead
6								Dead
7		32 GiB	2 TiB	Ubuntu 14.04	Yes	Yes	3	
8		32 GiB	2 TiB	Ubuntu 14.04	Yes	Yes	3	
9								Dead
10		32 GiB	2 TiB	Ubuntu 14.04	Yes	Yes	3	
11		32 GiB	2 TiB	Red Hat ???	???	???	???	node 13, no /media access
12		32 GiB	2 TiB	Red Hat ???	???	???	???	node 14, no /media access

Other features (media sdb and sdc)

2 Account creation/management

Contact the current keeper of the cluster to get an account. (changing password)

3 Cluster Basics

3.1 logging on/off

3.2 navigation/basic file operations

If you are at all familiar with *nix commandlines (typically linux or macos), you already know how to navigate the cluster. If you do not but have familiarity with the windows command line (cmd.exe, powershell, etc), the concepts will be familiar, though the commands different.

For the foreseeable future, the cluster will only be accessible via the commandline

(need to login between nodes, include how to automate it?)

(we could use an interactive tutorial on ls, rm, cp, mv, mkdir, vi, nano, ps, chmod, chown, etc. also executing something)

There are a great deal of additional neat things you can do with managing files (eg: sed and awk) that are beyond the scope of this document.

3.3 moving files around

(scp and its similarities to ssh) (using /media/sdb and /media/sdc)

3.4 file editing

On most *nix machines, you always have access to 3 text editors in the terminal: ed, vim, and nano. To edit a file, type either "vim filename" or "nano filename". While I am partial to vim (due to its greater capabilities), nano's learning curve is less front-loaded.

See (link) for a sketch of vim commands and capabilities.

ed and emacs are beyond the scope of this document.

3.5 cluster usage examples

3.6 tmux