

FIMM Atlas Cluster

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Start

official guideline

1. Get rights for accessing services:
 - General account: Go to <https://userportal.giu.fi/>
 - Access to special service, like `sisu_impute.q`: Contact Olle Hansson (olle.hansson@helsinki.fi)
 - Access to different data folders: Contact Jarmo Harju
2. Connect to Atlas:
 - Server: `atlas.fimm.fi`
 - Command line: `ssh <username>@atlas.fimm.fi`
 - Windows: Using ssh clients, like Putty.
3. Transfer files
 - local to remote: `scp /path/to/local_file username@atlas.fimm.fi:/path/to/remote_file`
 - remote to local: `scp username@atlas.fimm.fi:/path/to/remote_file /path/to/local_file`
 - Windows: Using SCP servers, like WinSCP

Environment

Nodes

1. Login node
 - Do:
 - File operations (copy, edit, create, move, etc).
 - Submit jobs to cluster nodes.
 - Monitor the status of jobs on cluster nodes.
 - Login interactive node: `qlogin -q interactive.q`
 - Don't:
 - Run intensive tasks.
2. Interactive node
 - Do:
 - Run interactive tasks, like running R codes in R console.
 - Don't:
 - Submit jobs to cluster nodes.
 - Run time-consuming tasks, because you have to connect with server during the processing.
3. Cluster node
 - Do:
 - Run user submitted jobs.
 - Automatic *queue* system for allocating jobs.

Queues

- express.q: mem < 2G, timeout limit 90 min;
- all.q: mem < 2G;
- medmem.q: mem 2-5G;
- highmem.q: mem 5-10G;
- hugemem.q: mem 10-20G.

Job management commands

1. Submit queue (Run in login node)

1. `qsub <option> <command>`

Options:

- Basic setting:
 - `-A <username>`: add the job to your own queue;
 - `-N <job_name>`: informative name for later job status lookup;
 - `-q <queue_type>`: select the type of queue;
- Job specific setting:
 - `-l h_vmem=<n>G`: specify hard limit on memory;
 - `-l h_rt=hh:mm:ss`: specify hard limit on runtime;
 - `-b <y/n>`: y, run binary code; n, run non-binary codes (like shell script);
 - `-shell n`: do not create a new bash shell but run the command immediately;
 - `-c n`: no checkpoint performed;
 - `-V`: export all active environment variables to the job;
 - `-w e`: validate the submission. If error stop immediately;
- Output setting:
 - `-e /path/to/error_log_file/`: set the file for error log;
 - `-o /path/to/basic_log_file/`: set the file for output log.

2. `grun.py`: a queue submit wrapper

Options:

- `-h` or `--help`: show help message;
- Basic setting
 - `-c <command>` or `--command <command>`: set the commands that will run on cluster nodes. Wrap your command with "`;`";
 - `-n <name>` or `--name <name>`: set the name of the jobs;
 - `-q <queue_type>` or `--queue <queue_type>`: select the type of queues;
 - `-l` or `--list`:
 - `-N <nodes>` or `--nodes <nodes>`: specify nodes;
- Notation setting:
 - `-M`:
 - * `<your.email@provider.fi>`: set the email for receive the notations;
 - * `n`: don't send any mails.
 - `-m <mail>` or `--mail <mail>`:
 - * `a`: send mail if jobs aborts/fails;
 - * `b`: send mail when jobs begin;
 - * `e`: send mail when jobs end;
 - * `n`: don't send any mails.
- Other setting:
 - `-L <logdir>` or `--log-dir <logdir>`

- -s <sync> or --sync <sync>
- -S <slots> or --slots <slots>
- -R [<resources> [<resources> ...]] or --resources [<resources> [<resources> ...]]
- --hold-jid [<hold_jid> [<hold_jid> ...]]

You can add default set for sending mails in file `/homes/<username>/.grun.ini`

2. Monitor the jobs and node

1. Query job status with `qstat`

Options:

- -u <username>: check all your current running jobs
- -j <job_id>: check a specific job.
- -g c: check queues usage

2. Delete submitted jobs with `qdel`

Options:

- -j <job_id>: kill job by its ID;
- <job_name>: kill job by its name;

3. Monitor global environment with `qhost`

Option:

- : Without option it will show the nodes information of the cluster
- -j: It will show all nodes and **all** jobs currently running on the cluster