

CITEC Compute Cluster (C3)

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Outline

1. Cluster Components
2. Setup
3. Stats
4. Decisions

Preposition

- ▶ Please interrupt anytime!!!
- ▶ Noob setup of HPC

Err, Cluster Huh?!

- ▶ 16 Compute Nodes (Dell Blades)
 - ▶ 2 Intel Xeon E5420 @ 2.50GHz
 - ▶ 16 GB RAM
 - ▶ 2 x 250 GB Harddrive (10k?) (RAID 1 Config)
 - ▶ 2 x 1 GBit Ethernet
 - ▶ Dual-port DDR InfiniBand (10GbitE)
- ▶ Head Node (Dell 2950)
 - ▶ 2 Intel Xeon E5420 @ 2.50GHz
 - ▶ 16 GB RAM
 - ▶ 6 x 750 GB (10k) HDs (RAID 5 HotSwap)
 - ▶ 4 x 1 GBit Ethernet



Sum

128 Cores - 256 GB Mem - 6 power supplies - 3 switches - 9 Fans

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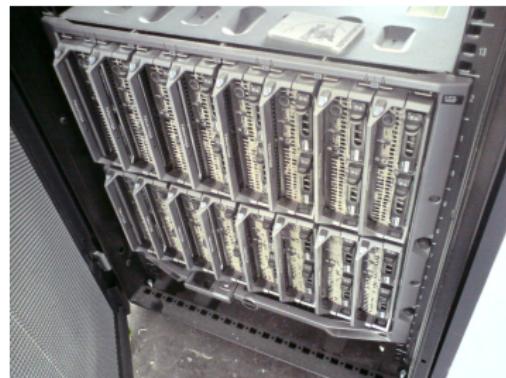
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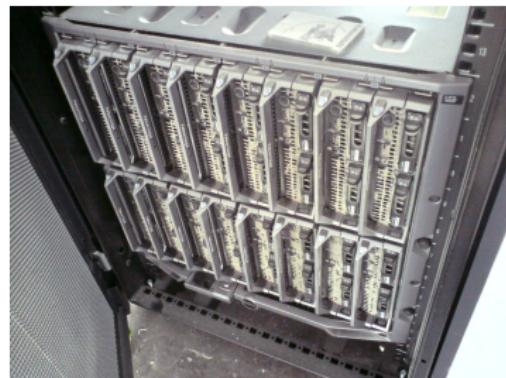
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Current Setup

- ▶ OS: Gentoo Linux (64 bit)
 - ▶ Extremely Scalable (USE and Compile-Flags)
 - ▶ Good, if not best performance
 - ▶ Science Overlay, “unstable” packages
 - ▶ I am at Home
- ▶ Downside
 - ▶ No “Version”
 - ▶ No binary software packages

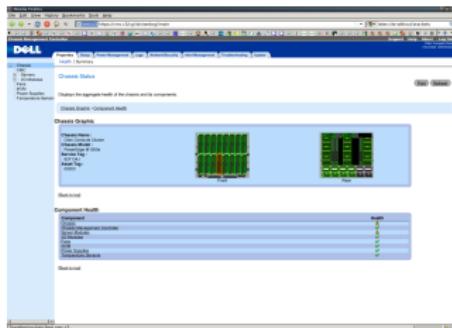
Current Setup II

- ▶ Scheduler: Maui (Needed Bug Fix)
- ▶ Resource Manager TORQUE
 - ▶ Open Source Software
 - ▶ Sufficient for this “small” setup

What else ...

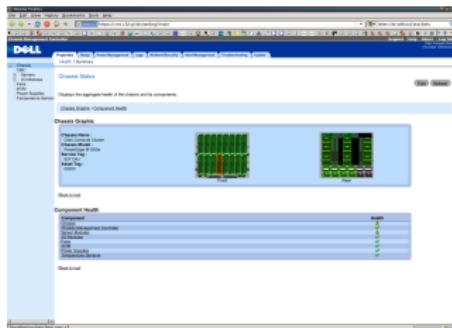
- ▶ NFS
- ▶ DNS/DHCP (dnsmasq)
- ▶ Routing (iptables)
- ▶ Monitoring (nagios/lighttpd)
- ▶ LDAP (using TechFak LDAP)
- ▶ rsync (for portage)

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 - ▶ SSH
 - ▶ Serial console
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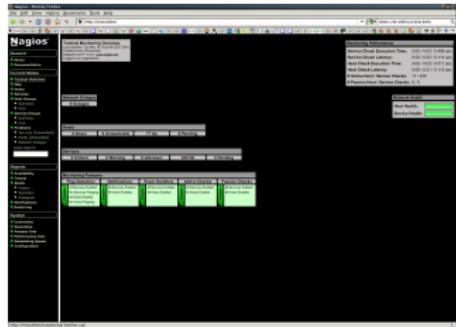


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Nagios

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- Monitors Services & Hosts
- Substitute for CMC



How to get my software running

- ▶ Log in (Host: macabeo, PW is same as Techfak (LDAP is same))
- ▶ You will get a new \$HOME
- ▶ scp your software in your \$HOME
- ▶ RECOMPILE!
- ▶ Software packages missing? Please contact me
(c3-admins@lists.cit-ec.uni-bielefeld.de)

Submitting a job

- ▶ Please, do not put macabeo under (heavy) load! This is NOT the compute cluster!
- ▶ Use `qsub` to submit a job
- ▶ You need to tell `qsub` your needs (nodes, time, etc.)
- ▶ Use `qstat` or `showq` to check status of your job(s)
- ▶ Use `qdel` to delete a job
- ▶ Use `showbf` of what is available rightaway

ACTIVE JOBS					
USERNAME	STATE	PROCS	RESERVING	STARTTIME	
ugrossek	Running	1	00:57:24	Mon May 13 00:05:06	
ugrossek	Running	4	00:57:24	Mon May 13 00:05:07	
7231	Running	4	19:59:59	Sun May 13 09:07:57	
ugrossek	Running	4	20:43:43	Sun May 13 09:53:25	
7232	Running	4	19:59:59	Sun May 13 10:00:03	
7233	Running	4	19:59:59	Sun May 13 10:49:13	
7234	Running	4	1:04:41:31	Sun May 13 17:49:13	
7235	Running	4	1:04:41:31	Sun May 13 17:49:13	
7236	Running	4	1:04:41:31	Sun May 13 17:49:13	
7237	Running	4	1:04:41:36	Sun May 13 17:49:18	
7238	Running	4	1:04:41:36	Sun May 13 17:49:18	
7239	Running	4	1:04:41:45	Sun May 13 17:49:28	
7240	Running	4	1:04:41:46	Sun May 13 17:49:28	
7241	Running	4	1:04:42:47	Sun May 13 17:56:29	
7242	Running	4	1:04:42:47	Sun May 13 17:56:29	
7243	Running	4	1:04:49:49	Sun May 13 18:15:31	
7244	Running	4	1:05:06:45	Sun May 13 18:15:43	
7245	Running	4	1:05:06:45	Sun May 13 18:14:27	
7246	Running	4	1:05:06:45	Sun May 13 18:14:27	
7247	Running	4	1:05:06:45	Sun May 13 18:14:27	
7248	Running	4	1:05:06:45	Sun May 13 18:15:22	
7249	Running	4	1:05:07:30	Sun May 13 18:15:12	
7250	Running	4	1:05:07:30	Sun May 13 18:15:12	
7251	Running	4	1:05:07:47	Sun May 13 18:15:29	
7252	Running	4	1:05:07:48	Sun May 13 18:15:30	
7253	Running	4	1:05:07:48	Sun May 13 18:15:30	
7254	Running	4	1:05:07:53	Sun May 13 18:15:35	
7255	Running	4	1:05:07:53	Sun May 13 18:15:35	
7256	Running	4	1:05:08:30	Sun May 13 18:16:12	
7257	Running	4	1:05:08:30	Sun May 13 18:16:12	

20 Active Jobs 109 of 128 Processors Active (85.16%) 16 of 58 Nodes Active (100.00%)					
QUEUED JOBS					
USERNAME	STATE	PROCS	WELMET	QUEUESIZE	QUEUETIME
walter	Idle	5	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:44	
walter	Idle	24	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:49	
walter	Idle	24	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:50	
walter	Idle	24	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:51	
walter	Idle	24	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:52	
walter	Idle	24	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:53	
walter	Idle	48	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:41	
walter	Idle	36	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:59	
walter	Idle	36	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:00:59	
walter	Idle	8	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:11:43	
walter	Idle	8	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:11:43	
walter	Idle	8	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:11:43	
walter	Idle	8	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:11:43	
walter	Idle	8	00:20:00	Mon May 13 20:12:21	

12 Idle Jobs					
BLOCKED JOBS					
USERNAME	STATE	PROCS	WELMET	QUEUESIZE	QUEUETIME
Total Jobs: 40	Active Jobs: 28	Idle Jobs: 12	Blocked Jobs: 0		

Qsub Script

Example command: qsub -l walltime=00:20:00 script.sh
Script:

```
#PBS -l ncpus=4
#PBS -N mytestprogramm
#PBS -o testprog.out
#PBS -e testprog.err
#PBS -M mschoepf@techfak.uni-bielefeld.de
#PBS -m be
echo $PBS_JOBID
echo "Start time :"
date
cd work/hpcc-1.3.1/
pwd
uname -a
sleep 30
echo "End Time :"
date
```

What if I want ...

- ▶ Use qsub -t option to run a program multiple times
(\$PBS_ARRAYID)
- ▶ Usage of OpenMPI: `mpirun <binary>` ergo NO HOSTFILE!!

A word about queues

Available queues (priorities in descending order):

- ▶ debug (max. 5 min)
- ▶ short (max. 2 hrs)
- ▶ medium (max. 3 days)
- ▶ long (max. 30 days)
- ▶ default (routing queue)

Infiniband

► Updating Firmware and Software (Mellanox)

```
$ mpirun -mca btl self,tcp pingpong  
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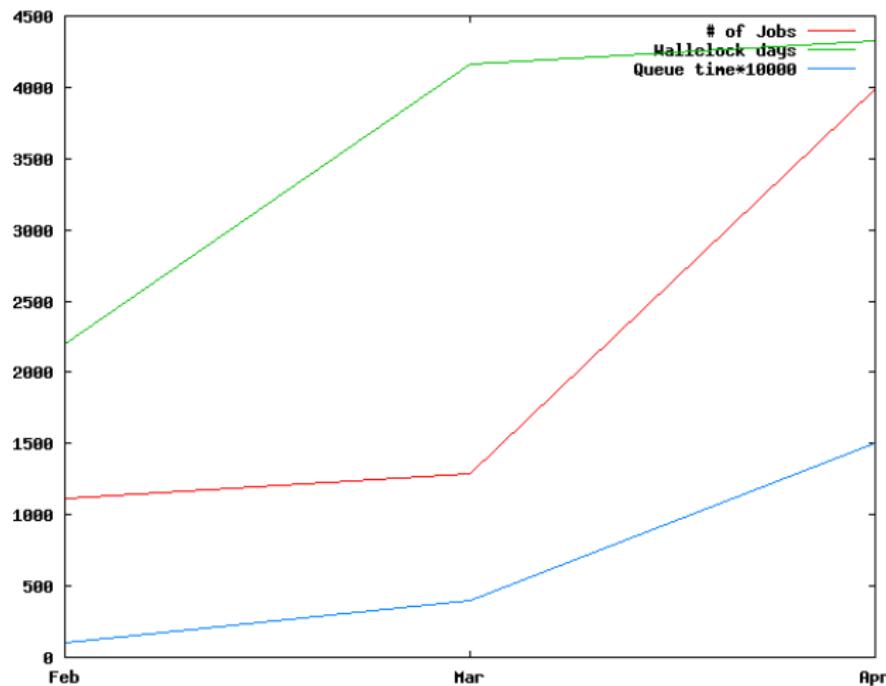
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To Dos

- ▶ Export /vol/compute
- ▶ Import /vol/matlab

Statistics



MPI Infiniband

Detailed benchmark results:

Ping Pong:

Latency min / avg / max: 0.000864 / 0.003192 /
0.004053 msecs

Bandwidth min / avg / max: 935.446 / 1070.490 /
4019.458 MByte/s

Ring:

On naturally ordered ring: latency= 0.004292
msec, bandwidth= 182.348160 MB/s

On randomly ordered ring: latency= 0.018119 msec,
bandwidth= 116.242569 MB/s

Decisions

- ▶ Gentoo vs. RHEL, Debian, Ubuntu Server...
- ▶ Local Install vs. Netboot
- ▶ Queue Management vs. direct access
- ▶ Maui/TORQUE vs. SGE
- ▶ NFS, User Management, ...

Questions?!

Finisch is not the End

Thank you for your attention!