



# High Performance Computing Using Sapelo Cluster

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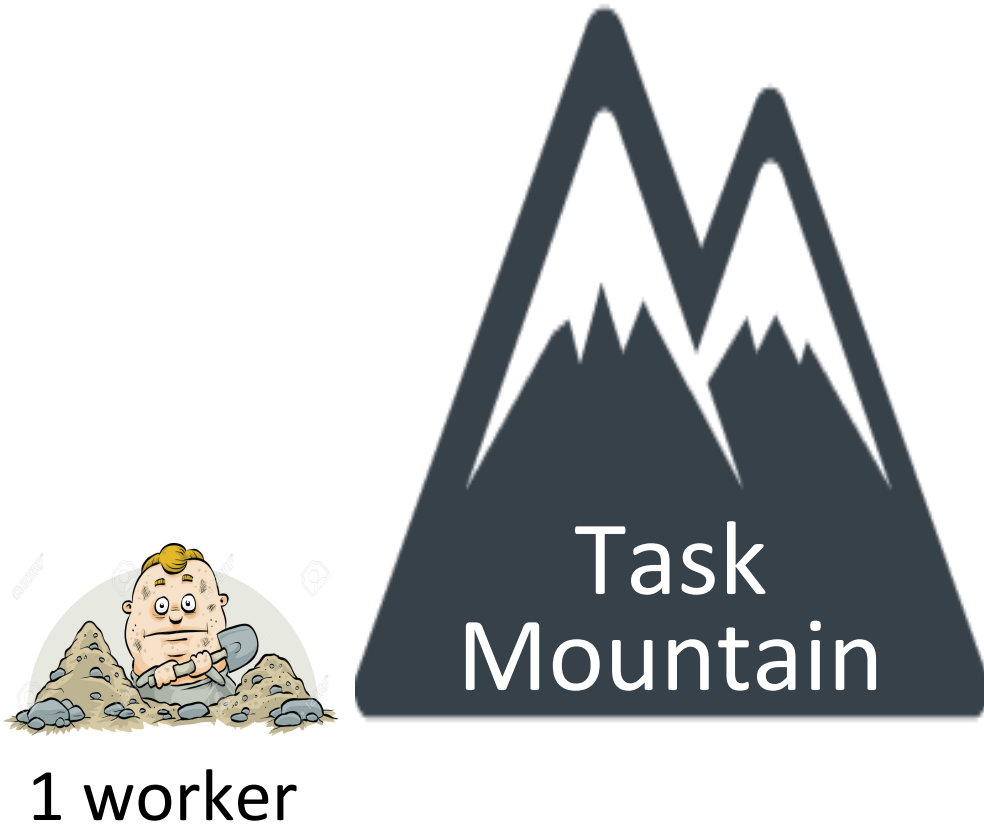
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  - HPC computing and networking infrastructure located at the Boyd Data Center
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# What is High Performance Computing

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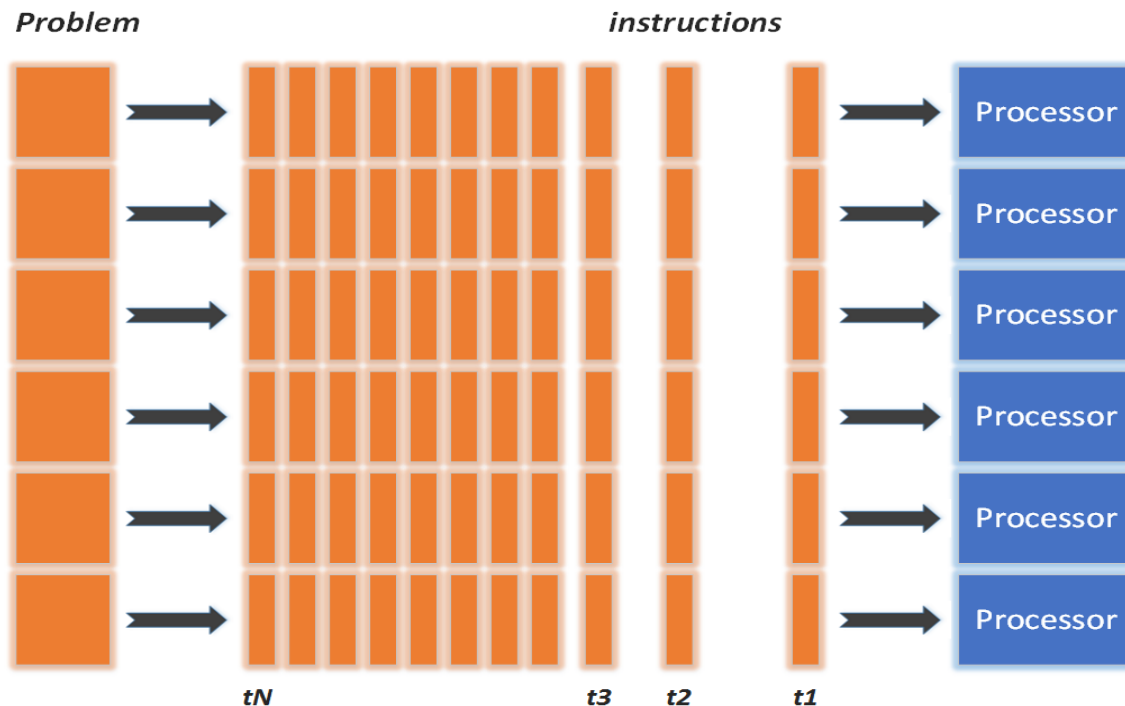
# What is High Performance Computing

Serial Job  
with 1 worker



✓ Only **1** instruction executed at any time point on a **single** processor

Parallel Job  
with 6 workers



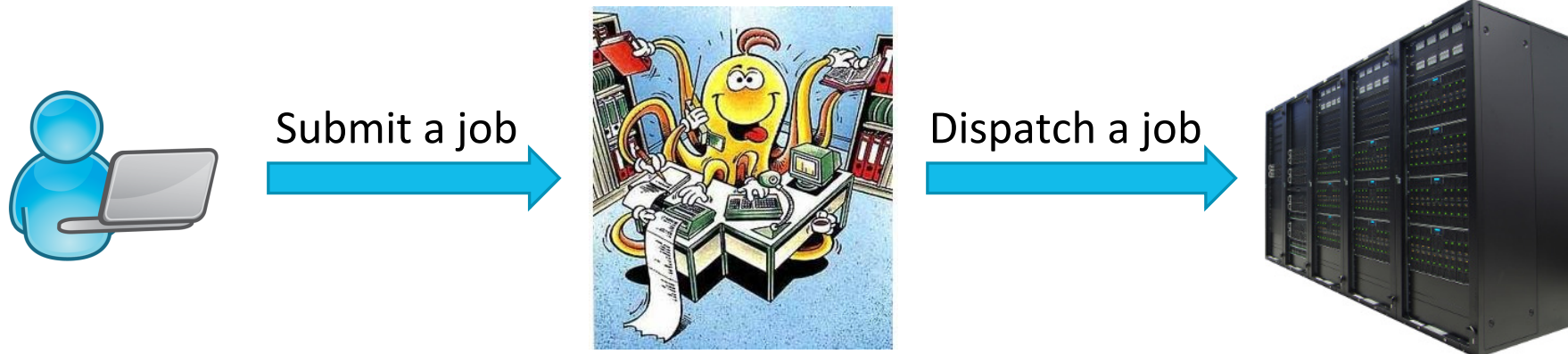
✓ **6** instructions executed *simultaneously* on **6** processors

✓ **Shared-memory threaded job** or **MPI job**  
(Message Passing Interface)

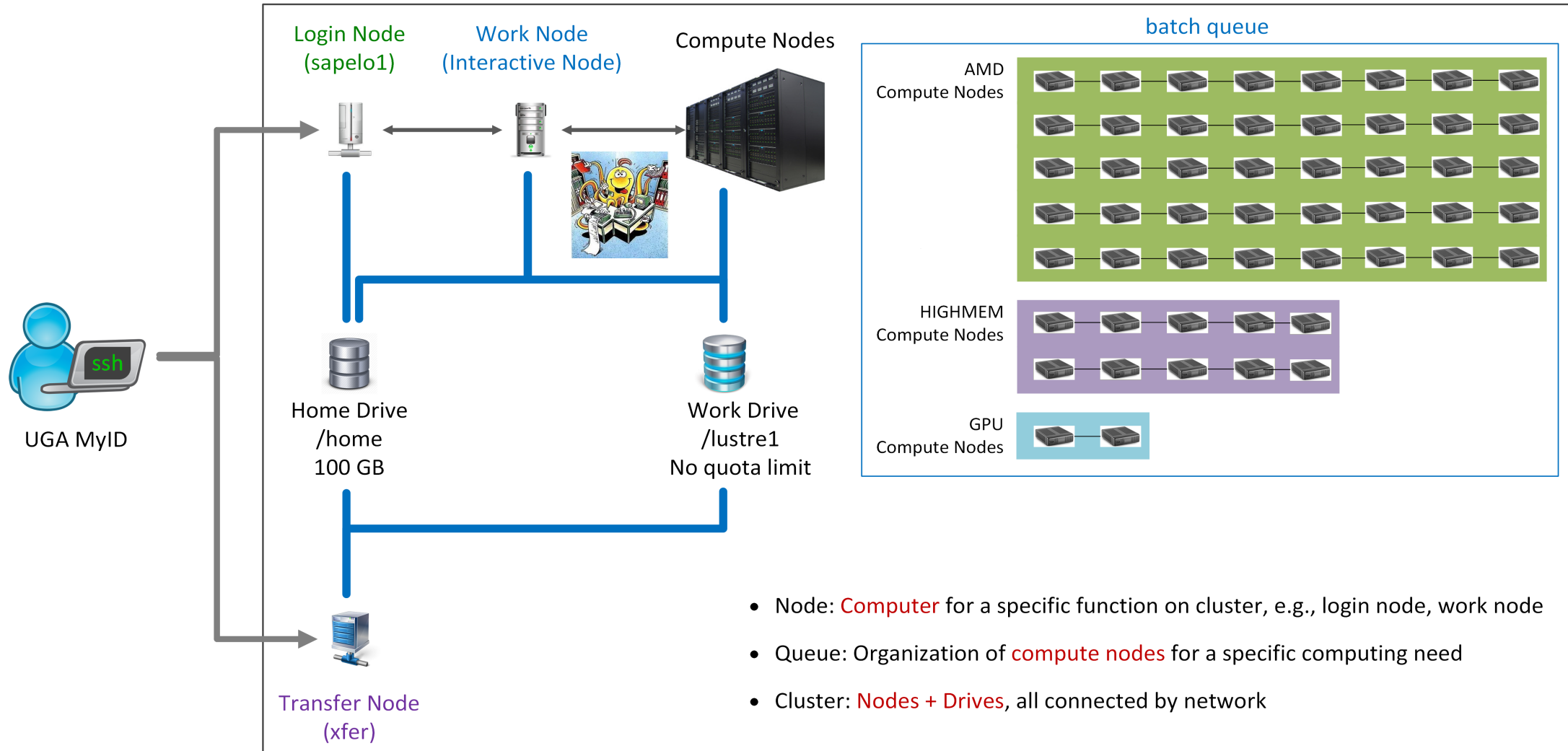
# What is a Cluster?

When you work on cluster, **3** roles are working:

- User: to submit a job
- Queueing System: to dispatch a job to run on cluster
- Cluster: to run a job



# Sapelo Cluster Diagram



- Node: **Computer** for a specific function on cluster, e.g., login node, work node
- Queue: Organization of **compute nodes** for a specific computing need
- Cluster: **Nodes + Drives**, all connected by network





# How to log on – Mac/Linux

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1. Open Terminal utility
2. Type command line: `ssh UGAMyID@sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu`
3. You will be prompted for your **UGA MyID password** (when you type in the password, the prompt blinks and does not move)

```
zhuofei@s172-20-34-h20:~$  
zhuofei@s172-20-34-h20:~$  
zhuofei@s172-20-34-h20:~$ssh zhuofei@sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu  
zhuofei@sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu's password: █
```



# How to log on – Windows

Download to install:

[http://eits.uga.edu/hardware\\_and\\_software/software/](http://eits.uga.edu/hardware_and_software/software/)

SSH Secure Shell 3.2.9 (Build 283)  
Copyright (c) 2000-2003 SSH Communications Security Corp  
- http://www.ssh.com/

Connect to Remote Host

Host Name: 2 sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu 4 Connect

User Name: 3 zhuofei Cancel

Port Number: 22

Authentication Method: <Profile Settings>

Not connected - press Enter or Space to connect 56x20

You will be prompted for your **UGA MyID password** after step 4



# Once You Log on

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1. Your working environment is **Linux**
2. You are on **Login Node**
3. You are in your home directory: **/home/UGAMyID/**, for example, /home/zhuofei/

# How to Transfer Files – Mac/Linux



Local Computer → Sapelo; Type command in Terminal from your *local computer*

```
scp file zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustrel1/zhuofei/
```

```
scp -r folder zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustrel1/zhuofei/
```

Sapelo → Local Computer; Type command in Terminal from your *local computer*

```
scp zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustrel1/zhuofei/file ./
```

```
scp -r zhuofei@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustrel1/zhuofei/folder ./
```



# How to Transfer Files - Windows

SSH Secure Shell 3.2.9 (Build 283)  
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- http://www.ssh.com/

**Use Transfer Node!**

Connect to Remote Host

Host Name: 2 xfer.gacrc.uga.edu

User Name: 3 zhuofei

Port Number: 22

Authentication Method: <Profile Settings>

Connect

Cancel

1 Quick Connect

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Not connected - press Enter or Space to connect

2xfer.gacrc.uga.edu - default - SSH Secure File Transfer

File Edit View Operation Window Help

Quick Connect Profiles

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Local Name	Size	Type	Modified	Remote Name	Size	Type	Modified	Attrib
Libraries		System F...						
zhuofei\hou		System F...	09/22/2015 09:19:3...					
Computer		System F...						
Network		System F...						
Control Panel		System F...						
Recycle Bin		System F...						
Control Panel		System F...						
Cywin64 Terminal	593	Shortcut	09/22/2015 08:12:5...					
SSH Secure File Transfer C...	2,290	Shortcut	09/22/2015 07:54:2...					
SSH Secure Shell Client	1,332	Shortcut	09/22/2015 07:54:2...					
CCleaner	840	Shortcut	09/22/2015 08:44:5...					
Computer - Shortcut	355	Shortcut	09/22/2015 07:34:2...					
FileZilla	984	Shortcut	09/22/2015 08:04:5...					
test	10	Text Doc...	04/26/2016 09:22:5...					
Visio 2013	2,847	Shortcut	09/22/2015 07:38:1...					
Xming	1,035	Shortcut	09/22/2015 08:22:0...					

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Transfer Queue

Source File	Source Directory	Destination Directory	Size	Status	Speed	Time
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Connected to xfer.gacrc.uga.edu - /escratch4/zhuofei/zhuofei\_Jul\_06

SSH2 - aes128-cbc - hmac-md5 - nr (0 items (0 Bytes))



## Next

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1. Go to **Work Node** by typing command `qlogin`
2. Change to **Work Drive** by typing command `cd /lustre1/UGAMyID/`
3. Now you are in your working space and ready to
  - Check software information
  - Create job submission script
  - Submit job



# How to Use Software

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- On Sapelo **~300** installed software for you to run
- Three module commands to:
  - Have a look on all software : `module avail`
  - Choose a software to run : `module load softwareName`
  - Have a look on loaded software : `module list`



# How to Submit a Job

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- You need to create a *script* to make a *compute node* to know:
  - Your working directory
  - The software you want to run
  - Any Linux commands you want the node to run
- Wiki Links:
  - [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running\\_Jobs\\_on\\_Sapelo](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Running_Jobs_on_Sapelo)
  - <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Software>
  - [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command\\_List](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Command_List)





## A Common Example – Running Samtools

- Samtools is a common bioinformatics utility <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Samtools-Sapelo>
- Script name: `sub.sh`
- Working directory: `/lustre1/zhuofei/`

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash           # Linux default shell (bash)
#PBS -N testSamtools       # define job name
#PBS -q batch              # use Sapelo batch queue
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1:AMD  # request 1 CPU from 1 AMD node
#PBS -l mem=100gb         # request 100GB RAM memory
#PBS -l walltime=48:00:00  # request 48 hours running time

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR          # specify and enter (cd) a working directory
module load samtools/1.3.1 # load samtools
time samtools <command> [options] # run samtools
```



## A Common Example – Submit Job

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- Submit `sub.sh` to `batch` queue: Type command on command line from your working directory:

```
$ qsub sub.sh
```



submit a job defined in `sub.sh`

Note: Once a job is submitted, you can logout (`exit` command) from the cluster and log back in later to check status of job and to retrieve the results.



# Check Job Status

- Type command on command line: **qstat**

```
[zhuofei@n78 zhuofei]$ qstat
```

Job ID	Name	User	Time Use	S	Queue
481929.pbs	testJob1	zhuofei	900:58:0	C	batch
481931.pbs	testJob2	zhuofei	04:00:03	R	batch
481934.pbs	testJob3	zhuofei	0	Q	batch

R : Job is running

C : Job is completed (canceled/crashed) and is no longer running; stays on list for 1 hour

Q : Job is pending, waiting for resources to become available



# Cancel a Job

- Type command on command line: **qdel *JobID***

```
[zhuofei@n78 zhuofei]$ qdel 481934
[zhuofei@n78 zhuofei]$ qstat
```

Job ID	Name	User	Time Use	S	Queue
481929.pbs	testJob1	zhuofei	900:58:0	C	batch
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481934.pbs	testJob3	zhuofei	0	C	batch

Job is canceled and status is changed to C

# Check Job Memory Usage

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- Type command on command line: `qstat -f JobID`

```
[zhuofei@75-104 MPIs]$ qstat -f 699847
Job Id: 699847.pbs.scm
Job_Name = testJob
Job_Owner = zhuofei@uga-2f0f976.scm
.
resources_used.vmem = 6548528kb
resources_used.walltime = 07:01:36
job_state = C
.
Resource_List.mem = 5gb
Resource_List.walltime = 10:00:00
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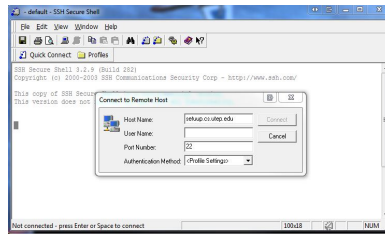
# Sapelo Workflow

1. Linux/Mac user:

`ssh username@sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu`



Windows user:



Login



2. `qlogin`

Interactive



3. `cd /lustre1/username`

4. `mkdir ./workDir`

5. `cd ./workDir`

7. `nano ./sub.sh`

```
#PBS -S /bin/bash
#PBS -q batch
#PBS -N testBlast
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1:AMD
#PBS -l mem=20gb
#PBS -l walltime=48:00:00
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
module load ncbiblast+/2.2.29
blastn [options] > outputfile
```



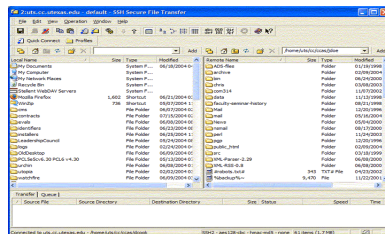
lustre1

6. Linux/Mac user:

`scp file username@xfer.gacrc.uga.edu:/lustre1/username/workDir`



Windows user:



8.

```
$ qsub sub.sh
```

Note: `-r` option of `scp` command will recursively copy a directory



# Sapelo Workflow

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1. Log on to Sapelo **Login** node: `ssh username@sapelo1.gacrc.uga.edu`
2. From Sapelo **Login** node, transfer to **Interactive** node by issuing the command: `qlogin`
3. From **Interactive** node: Change directory to global scratch: `cd /lustre1/username`
4. Create a working subdirectory on global scratch: `mkdir ./workDir`
5. Change directory to `workDir`: `cd ./workDir`
6. Transfer data to `workDir` using `scp` or **SSH Client File Transfer** (with `tar` or `gzip`)
7. Make a Sapelo job submission script: `nano ./sub.sh`
8. Submit job: `qsub ./sub.sh`

Useful PBS headers: `#PBS -l mem=200gb` : use 256GB high-RAM AMD nodes

`#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=24:AMD` : request 24 cores for 24 threads, max **48!**



# How to Find Support

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*GACRC Support: <http://help.gacrc.uga.edu/>*

- **Job Troubleshooting:** Tell us details of your problem, please also include:
  - ✓ UserID and JobID
  - ✓ Working directory and script name
  - ✓ Any command you used
  - ✓ Brief of your problem

**Note:**

It's **USER's** responsibility to make sure the **correctness of data** being used by jobs!





# Important Rules

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- **No Sharing User Account!** → Use your own user account
- **No Job Running Directly on Login node!** → Submit job to batch queue
- **No Data Transferring into/out of Cluster Using Login node!** → Use Transfer node



# Useful Links

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- GACRC Wiki: [https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Main\\_Page](https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Main_Page)
- GACRC Software: <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Software>
- GACRC Support: <http://gacrc.uga.edu/help/>
- GACRC Training: <https://wiki.gacrc.uga.edu/wiki/Training>

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