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DSC Computing Systems

- Just installed 128 node Haswell based system (Juliet)
- 128 GB memory per node
- Substantial conventional disk per node (8TB) plus PCI based SSD
- Infiniband with SR-IOV
- 24 and 36 core nodes (3456 total cores)
- Working with SDSC on NSF XSEDE Comet System (Haswell 47,776 cores)
- Older machines
- India (128 nodes, 1024 cores), Bravo (16 nodes, 128 cores), Delta(16 nodes, 192 cores), Echo(16 nodes, 192 cores), Tempest (32 nodes, 768 cores) with large memory, large disk and GPU
- Optimized for Cloud research and Large scale Data analytics exploring storage models, algorithms
- Build technology to support high performance virtual clusters





Rapid Prototyping HPC Environment for Deep Learning

We are developing an on-ramp to deep learning that utilizes HPC and GPU resources. It serves as an aggregate for modules related to deep learning. We address a multitude of issues including deployment, access, and integration into HPC environments. Simple interfaces are provided that allow easy reusability. We are working with our partners on a performance optimized convolution kernel that will be able to utilize state of the art GPUs including AMD. Data management will be available as part of deep learning workflows.



Cloudmesh for Managing Virtual Clusters

Cloudmesh is an important component designed to deliver a softwaredefined system – encompassing virtualized and bare-metal infrastructure, networks, application, systems and platform software – with a unifying goal of providing Cloud Testbeds as a Service (CTaaS). Cloudmesh federates a number of resources from academia and industry. This includes existing FutureSystems, Amazon Web Services, Azure, and HP Cloud.



Virtual Clusters with SDSC Comet

Comet, is a new petascale supercomputer designed to transform advanced scientific computing by expanding access and capacity among traditional as well as non-traditional research domains. Comet will be capable of an overall peak performance of nearly two petaflops, or two quadrillion operations per second.

We are working together with SDSC to deliver an easy to use service that allows users to request virtual clusters that are close to hardware. Advanced users will be able to request such clusters and allow the users to manage them and deploy their own software stacks on them.

Comet is the first virtualized HPC cluster, and delivers a significantly increased level of computing capacity and customizability to support data-enabled science and engineering at the campus, regional, and national levels, and in turn support the entire science and engineering enterprise, including education as well as research.

IU is currently working on delivering easy to use client interfaces and leverages experiences from our cloudmesh software.

Threads v. Processes on 24 core Juliet Nodes for 48 and 96 nodes



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