HIGH PERFORMANCE RESEARCH COMPUTING

HPRC PI Meeting: Ada-Grace Transition

April 30, 2021



High Performance Research Computing



High Performance Research Computing Clusters









Ada*

ViDaL

Grace[†]

(Cores)	864 (17,596)	307 (8,512)	24 (1,120)	925 (44,656)	
General Nodes	20 cores 64GB	28 cores 64GB	40 cores 192 GB	48 cores 384GB	
Features	GPUs (K20) Phi Large Memory Nodes	GPUs (K80, V100) KNL	Compliant Compu GPUs (V100) Large Memory No	(A100, RTX 6000, T4)	
Interconnect	FDR10 InfiniBand	Omni-Path	40Gb Ethernet	HDR100 InfiniBand	
Global Disk (raw)	5.6 PB	7.4 PB	2 PB	8.9 PB	
*Retiring on June 30 2021		https://hprc.tamu.edu/resources		[†] Testing and early user onboarding	

Total Nodes

Ada Retiring and Disseminating

- Ada refresh planning started in early 2019
- RFP Transitioning Racks of the Ada and Curie Supercomputers was issued in October, 2020
- 11 Ada Racks awarded to 7 research groups.
- 3 Ada Racks awarded to the Laboratory of Molecular Simulations (LMS) under HPRC

PI	Dept	Awards
Debjyoti Banerjee	MEEN/PETE	3 standard racks
Charlie Johnson	TxGen	1 large memory rack
Daniel Tabor	CHEM	1 large memory rack
Daniel Jimenez	CSE	1 standard rack
Ping Chang	iHESP	1 standard rack
Sherry Yennello	Cyclotron Institute	3 standard racks
Phanourios Tamamis	CHEN	1 standard rack



Ada Retirement Timeline

May 17

Retire some of the compute racks

June 1

- All compute racks will be retired
- Login and data transfer nodes will be available to migrate data

June 30

- Ada cluster will be completely shutdown.
- Data retrieval and migration MUST be completed by this date
- Only migrate data from Ada to Grace that will be used for future work
- Please move remaining data from Ada to non-HPRC storage
- Quota increase requests over 10TB on Grace MUST be submitted by PIs with strong justification, and will be reviewed by the HPRC Director

Grace By The Numbers

- Total 925 compute nodes with aggregate computing capacity over 5 **PFLOPS**
- 917 compute nodes equipped with 2 Intel 24-core 3.0 GHz Cascade Lake processors and 384 GB memory
 - 100 GPU compute nodes have 2 NVIDIA A100 48 GB GPUs
 - 8 GPU compute nodes with 4 single precision T4 16GB GPUs
 - 9 GPU compute nodes with 2 RTX 6000 24GB GPUs
- 8 large memory compute nodes with 4 Intel 20-core 2.5GHz processors and 3.072 TB memory
- 6.7 PB Lustre storage (5.12 PB usable)
 - 1PB reserved for Prof. Elaine Oran's group.
- 2 connected GPFS storage systems- Profs. Ping Chang and Junjie Zhang's groups

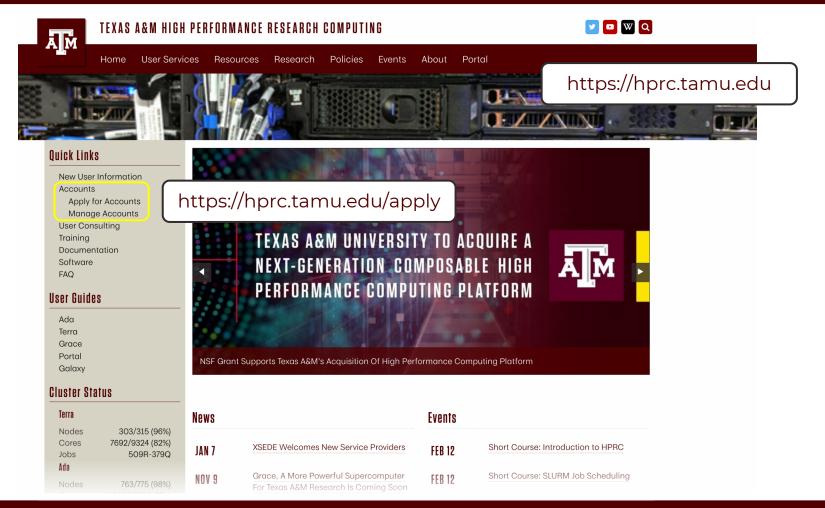
Special Allocations on Grace

- Request soliciting Condo Partners for the Supercomputer ADA Refresh was issued in March 2019.
- The rates (\$0.004/SU and \$130/TB) are calculated based on solely on hardware costs.
- HPRC has subsidized all other costs.
- Pls who made commitments before October 2019 were offered 1:1 matching by VPR

PI	Dept.	Contribution (\$)	Allocations (SU or TB)
Elaine Oran	Aerospace Eng.	\$100K	10M SUs/year
Elaine Oran	Aerospace Eng.	\$130K	1 PB Storage
Thomas Overbye	ECE	\$60K	6M SUs/year
Akram Abu-Odeh	TTI	\$50K	5M SUs/year
Ping Chang	Oceanography	VPR Cost Share for iHESP	20M SUs/year
Phanourios Tamamis	Chemical Eng.	\$25K	1.25M SUs/year
Goong Chen	Mathematics	\$8000	800K SUs/year

Allocations on Grace

- Grace has been in friendly user mode since December 2020.
- Grace will be open to all active HPRC users by May 17. Early user requests are being accepted.
- No allocations and pre-charging for Grace until FY22 starting September 1.
- Current Ada allocations will not be transferred to Grace.
- FY22 allocation requests for Grace will be accepted starting July 1, 2021. Please begin planning.
- All special allocations/commitments on Ada will be expired when Ada is retired.

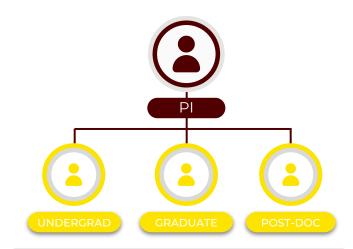


HPRC Account Allocations

Allocation Type	Who can apply?	Minimum SUs per Allocation per Machine	Maximum SUs per Allocation per Machine	Maximum Total SUs per Machine	Maximum Number of Allocations per Machine	Allowed to spend more than allocation?	Review and approv
Basic	Faculty, Post-Docs*, Research Associates, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff, Students*, Visiting Scholars/Students*	5,000	5,000	5,000	1	No	HPR(Staft
Startup	Faculty, Research Associates, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	5,000	200,000	400,000	2	No	HPR(Direct
Research (Ada)	Faculty, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	300,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	Determined by HPRC- RAC	No	HPRC RAC
Research (Terra)	Faculty, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	300,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	Determined by HPRC- RAC	No	HPRC RAC
Research (Grace)	Faculty, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	300,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	Determined by HPRC- RAC	No	HPRC RAC

Note: '*' - requires a PI

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Graduate Students & Postdoctoral researchers can apply for a Basic allocation.

PIs can apply for a Startup or Research allocation and sub-allocate SUs to their researchers.

HPRC Account: PI Eligibility

For the purpose of HPRC allocations, only **active faculty** members and **permanent research staff** (subject to HPRC-RAC Chair review and approval) of Texas A&M System Members headquartered in Brazos County can serve as a PI.

Adjunct and Visiting professors do not qualify themselves, but can use HPRC resources as part of a sponsoring PI's group.

Note that:

- A PI can have more than one allocation.
- A user can work on more than one project and with more than one PI

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Grace: Examples of SUs charged based on Job Cores, Time and Memory Requested

A Service Unit (SU) on Grace is equivalent to one core or 7.5 GB memory usage for one hour.

Number of Cores	GB of memory per core	Total Memory (GB)	Hours	SUs charged
1	7.5	7.5	1	1
1	10	10	1	2
1	360	360	1	48
48	7.5	360	1	48

- GPU jobs are charged 3 * 48 SUs per hour
- Unused SUs expire at the end of each fiscal year (Aug 31) and won't be renewed

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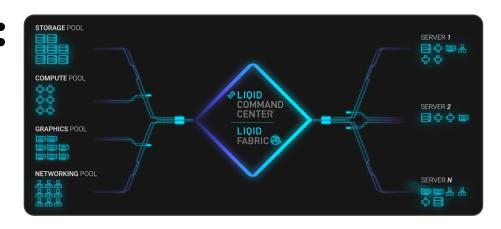
Special Requests

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- Dedicated Use
 - o Requests for dedicated cluster use require the approval of the Director.
 - o To initiate the process, please send e-mail to the HPRC help desk at help@hprc.tamu.edu
- Special case allocations
 - o 20% of common resources are reserved for special case assignments
 - Examples of special case assignments
 - working with HPRC on new capabilities of general value to research communities across campus
 - new faculty startup
 - grant in-kind match
 - other operations that go beyond normal research projects
 - o Granted by the Director or the VPR.
- Committed Allocations
 - PIs who made "condo" contributions to the HPRC infrastructure will have committed allocations related to their contributions in addition to the common pool.

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- Adopts the innovative LIQID composable software-hardware approach combined with cutting-edge technologies.
- Equipped with Intel 32-core Ice Lake processors, NVIDIA A100 (40), T4 (200), and A40/A10 (TBD) GPUs for AI/DL/ML workloads.
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HPRC Helpdesk:

help@hprc.tamu.edu Phone: 979-845-0219

Help us help you. Please include details in your request for support, such as, Cluster (Grace, Terra, Ada, ViDAL), NetID (UserID), Job information (Job id(s), Location of your jobfile, input/output files, Application, Module(s) loaded, Error messages, etc), and Steps you have taken, so we can reproduce the problem.



Thank you!

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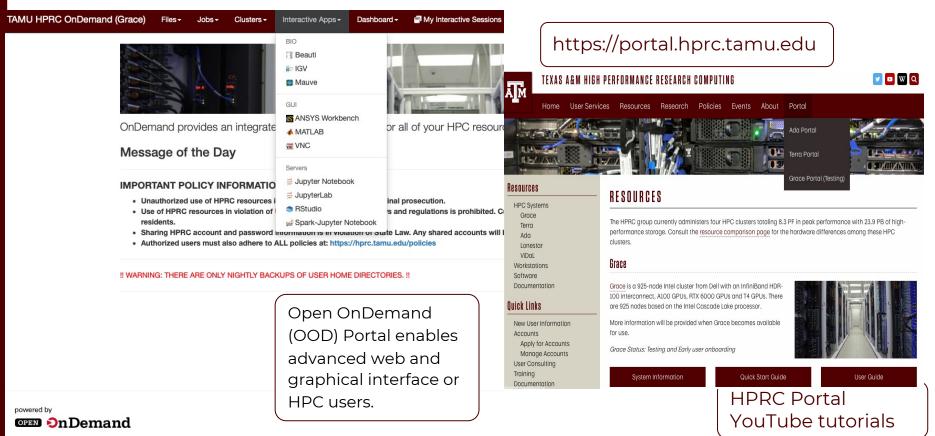
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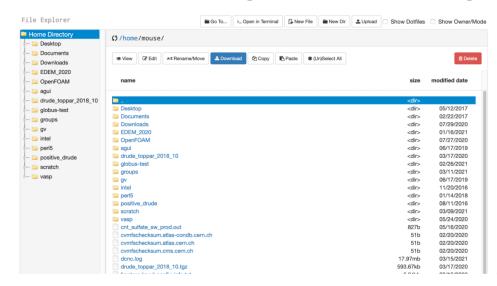
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Advantages of Using the HPRC Portal



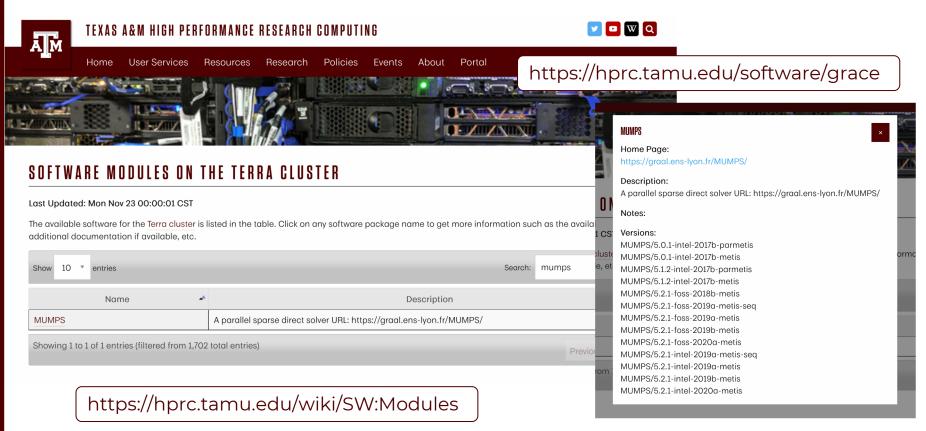
Create, delete, copy, edit, rename upload and download files and directories on the HPRC clusters using a web browser. Transfer files between your local computer and the HPRC clusters.

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    https://portal-terra.hprc.tamu.edu/pun/sys/shell/ssh/terra.tamu.edu

   SMS passcodes to XXX-XXX-1564 (next code starts with: 1)
Passcode or option (1-3): vvtbdtnjfflbeuinfcgefvttgkcgueknckkflhfienbn
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ast login: Mon Mar 15 17:19:14 2021 from 165.91.254.119
           Texas A&M University High Performance Research Computing
    Consulting:
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 * - Authorized users must also adhere to ALL policies at:
  The Terra cluster will be unavailable from 9am to 6pm on Tuesday,
   March 23rd. Software and hardware maintenance will be performed during
   this downtime. Jobs will not be scheduled if they will overlap with
   this maintenance window.
             To see these messages again, run the motd command.
our current disk quotas are:
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                                   File Usage
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Type 'showquota' to view these guotas again.
 portant command
  nenergy basename st2filenme
  t22txt IEst2filename
 t22txt distst2filename
  use@terra3 ~]$
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Access the command line

Available Software Modules



HPRC Training Short Courses https://hprc.tamu.edu/training

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