

IPPP Systems

A Quick Intro (Again?) and How To

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Desktops & Laptops

- **Desktop Groups 2 & 3**

- Intel Core i5
- 8GB RAM
- 1TB HDD
- Fedora Linux

- **Desktop Groups 4,5 & 6**

- Intel Core i7
- 8GB or 16GB RAM
- 1TB HDD or 256GB SSD
- Fedora Linux

- **Lenovo ThinkPad T490**

- Intel Core i5
- 16GB RAM
- 512GB SSD
- (MDS) Windows *or* Fedora Linux

- **Lenovo ThinkPad L14**

- AMD Ryzen 5
- 16GB RAM
- 512GB SSD
- (MDS) Windows *or* Fedora Linux

- **MacBook Pro**

- Intel Core i5
- 8GB RAM
- 256GB SSD Hard Drive
- Mac OS



Compute Nodes

- **Workstation Nodes**

- Generic end-user style system
- Interactive Use
- SSH etc

- **CPU Compute**

- Tuned for performance
- Non-Interactive
- Batch Submission
- No SSH etc

- **GPU Compute**

- Systems with GPU available
- Currently SSH/Interactive
- Not for general use



Workstation Nodes

- **WS1 - Offline**
- **WS2 - Reserved**
- **WS3**
 - Intel Xeon 32 Threads @2.4Ghz
 - 64GB RAM
 - SSH
- **WS4**
 - Intel Xeon 40 Threads @2.2Ghz
 - 64GB RAM
 - Docker
- **WS5**
 - Intel Xeon 40 Threads @2.2Ghz
 - 64GB RAM
 - Docker
- **WS6 - High Memory**
 - Intel Xeon 40 Threads @2.2Ghz
 - 1TB RAM
 - 1TB Hard Drive
- **WS7**
 - Intel Xeon 40 Threads @2.6Ghz
 - 128GB RAM
- **WS8 - Reserved**
- **WS9**
 - Intel Xeon 40 Threads @2.6Ghz
 - 128GB RAM
- **WS10 - Offline**
- **WS11 - Reserved**
- **WS12 - Reserved**

CPU Compute Nodes

- **CPU 1-7**
 - 2x Intel Xeon Gold 5220 @2.2 Ghz (Total 36 Cores / 72 Threads)
 - 192GB RAM
 - 1TB Scratch SSD
 - CentOS Linux 7
 - Upto 72 Job Slots
- **CPU 8**
 - 4x Intel Xeon Gold 6130 @2.1Ghz (Total 64 Cores / 128 Threads)
 - 960GB RAM
 - 2TB Scratch HDD
 - CentOS Linux 7
 - Upto 128 Job Slots
- **Accessed via SLURM with --partition=cpu**



GPU Compute Nodes

- **GPU 1 and GPU 4**
 - 2x Intel Xeon Silver 4216 @2.1Ghz (Total 32 Cores / 64 Threads)
 - 92GB RAM
 - 1TB Scratch SSD
 - NVIDIA Tesla V100 32GB
- **GPU 2 and GPU 3**
 - 2x Intel Xeon Silver 4216 @2.1Ghz (Total 32 Cores / 64 Threads)
 - 92GB RAM
 - 1TB Scratch SSD
 - NVIDIA Tesla V100 16GB
- **GPU 5**
 - 2x Intel Xeon Silver 4216 @2.1Ghz (Total 32 Cores / 64 Threads)
 - 92GB RAM
 - 1TB Scratch SSD
 - NVIDIA P100 12GB



- Currently accessed via SSH – Give us feedback please!

Storage

- **Home Space**
 - 20GB Default
 - Fast SSD
 - Backed Up Daily
 - Limited Expansion Available upon Request
- **Batch Space – Due to change before Jan 2021**
 - 300GB Default
 - HDD
 - Expansion Available upon Request
- **“Cloud” Storage**
 - 15GB Default
 - Backed Up Daily
 - Limited Expansion Available upon Request
 - Contact us for an account
- **Home Space**
 - /mt/home/<USERNAME>
 - ~/
- **Personal Webspace**
 - ~/www
 - <https://www.ippp.dur.ac.uk/~username>
- **Batch Space**
 - /mt/batch/users/<USERNAME>
- **Precompiled HEP Software**
 - /mt/hepsw/
- **Local Machine Storage**
 - /scratch/<USERNAME>

Software

- **Installed:**

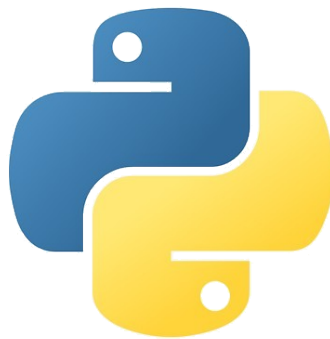
- CentOS Linux 7 (WS/CPU/GPU) / Fedora Linux (Desktop)
- Gnome Windowing System
- Python 2.7
- Python 3
- GCC
- Mathematica 12
- Mathematica 11
- Maple 2020
- Slurm
- CVS – GIT/HG/SVN



fedora



CentOS



Other software may be available upon request.

Things to Come...

- **New - IPPP Services Infrastructure**
 - Highly Available = Fewer Downtimes due to system failure
 - More Services = More Demand
- **New - Batch Disk Server**
 - ~200TB Total
 - ~2TB Quota per User with some Expansion
 - More robust to disk failure
 - Better IO
- **Improvements**
 - WS Systems
 - Login Systems
 - Graphical Login
 - Jupyter Notebook/Hub Support
 - Network Upgrades - Dec 2020
 - Seafile Upgrades
 - Docker/Singularity Support (Tentative Plans)
 - Changes to internal security



How To: IPPP Account

Your CIS Account is **NOT** your IPPP
Account...

First time you login, change your password
and **READ** the instructions carefully.

How to: Remote Access IPPP

SSH - CLI

ssh username@login.phyip3.dur.ac.uk
ssh username@login2.phyip3.dur.ac.uk

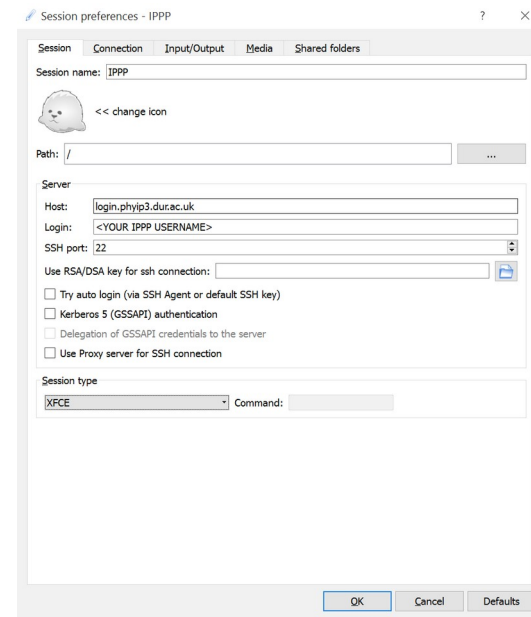
X2GO – GUI

Host: login.phyip3.dur.ac.uk
Session: XFCE

Please note that the login box is **NOT** for compilation or compute!

Changes to SSH before Jan 2021

Desktop via Web Browser will be available in 2021



How to: Python Virtual Env

- Portable
- Directory Name is the Environment Name

Create:

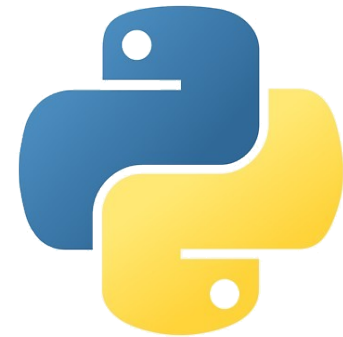
```
#~: python2 -m virtualenv NAME
```

```
#~: python3 -m venv NAME
```

Use:

```
#~: source NAME/bin/activate
```

```
(NAME) #~: pip install whatever
```



How to: Submit to Batch

Slurm Batch System

1. Create a job file
2. Run sbatch job.sh
3. srun will parallel run/fork the tasks
4. Use Output

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2
3 # These are Slurm SBATCH commands
4 #SBATCH --job-name="PythonVersionCheck"           # Job Name
5 #SBATCH --mail-type=END                           # When to send mail (BEGIN, END, FAIL, REQUEUE, ALL)
6 #SBATCH --mail-user=mailname@durham.ac.uk        # Where to send mail. A valid email address
7 #SBATCH --error="Job-%j.err"                      # Redirect STDERR (Error output) to this file %j is a variable for JobID
8 #SBATCH --output="Job-%j.out"                    # Redirect STDOUT (Normal output) to this file %j is a variable for JobID
9 #SBATCH --mem=2G                                  # Requested memory for the Job (Default is 2G)
10 #SBATCH --export=ALL                              # Export Current Environment Variables (Default ALL)
11 #SBATCH -D /mt/batch/users/aboutcher             # Put all output on batch storage (--chdir currently doesn't work)
12
13 # The rest is similar to a standard shell script
14 srun echo "Python Version Check"
15 srun hostname
16 srun python --version 2>&1
17 |
18 # Remember to exit cleanly
19 exit 0;
20
```

```
login.phyip3.dur.ac.uk - PuTTY
aboutcher@login:~$ sbatch ./MyPythonVersion.batch.sh
Submitted batch job 6960313
aboutcher@login:~$ █
```

- **Request CPU Access**
 - --partition=cpu
- **Exclude a Node**
 - --exclude=ip3-cpu[3,7-8]

How to: Submit to Batch

- Use /scratch for any IO as much as possible
- Copy to/from /mt/batch at the start/end of your job
- Pipe your jobs stdout and stderr to /scratch
- Treat SBATCH nearly like a BASH script (Env vars not parsed by SBATCH)
- Lots of little files? – Tar it up first!

```
#Heavy IO Job

mkdir /scratch/$USERNAME/
rsync /mt/batch/$USERNAME/my_input_files /scratch/$USERNAME/my_input_files
cd /scratch/$USERNAME/

python dothings_with_my_input_files 1>/scratch/$USERNAME/out.log 2>/scratch/$USERNAME/err.log

rsync /scratch/$USERNAME/my_output_files /mt/batch/$USERNAME/my_output_files
rsync /scratch/$USERNAME/*.log /mt/batch/$USERNAME/
```

How to: Use the GPU

- Login to the GPU and source the version of CUDA that's available (CUDA 10 or 10.1)
- Source /opt/cuda-10.1/enable
- Run your jobs – GPU /dev/nvidia0

```
aboutcher@login:~$ ssh ip3-gpu1
Last login: Mon Nov  2 16:46:43 2020 from login.phyip3.dur.ac.uk
aboutcher@ip3-gpu1:~$ source /opt/cuda-10.1/enable
NVIDIA-Cuda-10.1 Enabled
aboutcher@ip3-gpu1:~$ nvidia-smi
Mon Nov  2 16:47:26 2020

+-----+
| NVIDIA-SMI 418.39      Driver Version: 418.39      CUDA Version: 10.1      |
+-----+
| GPU  Name                Persistence-M| Bus-Id        Disp.A | Volatile Uncorr. ECC |
| Fan  Temp   Perf   Pwr:Usage/Cap|      Memory-Usage | GPU-Util  Compute M. |
+-----+-----+
|  0  Tesla V100-PCIE...    Off          | 00000000:3B:00:0  Off  |                0      |
|N/A   33C    P0     35W / 250W |  0MiB / 32480MiB |           0%      Default |
+-----+-----+

+-----+
| Processes:                                                       GPU Memory |
|  GPU       PID    Type   Process name                                             Usage      |
+-----+-----+
|           |           |       |                                       |
+-----+-----+
| No running processes found |
+-----+

aboutcher@ip3-gpu1:~$
```


How to: Cloud Storage

- Similar to Dropbox
- 15GB Online Storage Available upon Account Creation
- Supports Mac, Windows, Linux, Android, iOS

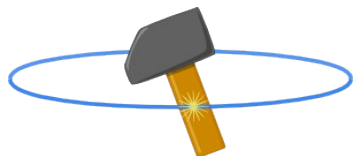
- Sync Folders between systems
- Share Folders between users
- ~50 Previous Version History

- Targeted at low infrequent changes / Low volume data

- Some minor changes due before Jan 2021

Code Repositories

HEPForge



- GIT/SVN/Mercurial
- SSH + HTTPS Push/Pull
- Shell Access
- Web Space
- Downloads
- Large Projects

<https://hepforge.org>

Gitlab



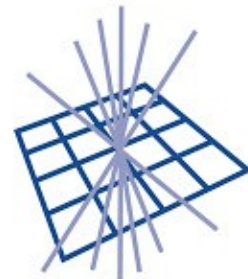
- GIT
- SSH + HTTPS Push/Pull
- Gitlab Runner/CI
- Smaller Projects
- Grid Accounts or Sign-up

<https://gitlab.dur.scotgrid.ac.uk>

Not Enough Resources?

- **Try the Grid!**

- ~ 5000 Cores
- ~ Terabytes of RAM
- ~ 1PB of redundant Storage
- **More Nodes due online through 2020/2021**
- Access to more resources externally with GridPP



GridPP

UK Computing for Particle Physics

More Help

Knowledge Base

<http://help.phyip3.dur.ac.uk>

A little out of date but is due to change next week!

Email

All three of us!

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Please don't visit us...

We can provide physical support with appointments only.

The screenshot shows a web interface for a knowledge base. At the top is a purple header with the text "Have a Question?" and a search bar containing the placeholder text "Search the documentation...". Below the header are three tabs: "General", "IPPP & Fielding" (which is selected), and "Grid". Under the "IPPP & Fielding" tab, there are five main categories, each with a list of sub-articles:

- Identity and Remote Access**
 - Accounts - Fielding User Account
 - Accounts - IPPP User Account
 - Remote Access - SSH
 - Remote Access - X2Go
- Software**
 - Desktops - Fielding (CentOS)
 - Desktops - IPPP (Fedora)
 - Software - CRON
 - Software - GCC
 - Software - Maple
- Compute and Submission**
 - Batch - CPU Resources Available
 - Batch - GPU Resources Available
 - Batch - Guide on Slurm Submission
 - Desktops - Fielding (CentOS)
 - Desktops - IPPP (Fedora)
- Storage**
 - Storage - Cloud Storage for Laptops (Seafile)
 - Storage - Fieldline
- Website**
 - Conference - IPPP Indico
 - IPPP Website - Edit My Profile

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