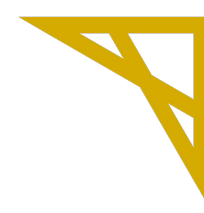




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High Performance Computing and software environments:

Install and/or use existing software and modules

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- ★ Software distribution on HPC clusters
- ★ Why modules? How to find modules?
- ★ Software stacks on Grex
- ★ How to build software from sources
 - R packages
 - Perl modules
 - configure/make
 - cmake/make
- ★ Singularity {now: **apptainer**}



Operating system package managers / repos:

- ★ **Ubuntu:** ~\$ **sudo apt-get install** <package>
- ★ **CentOS:** ~\$ **sudo yum install** <package>
- ★ **On HPC:** users do not have **sudo!** (**NO NEED TO ASK FOR IT**)

Local installation: usually to \$HOME {/home/\$USER} or \$PROJECT

- ★ **Get the code:** download the sources/binaries: **wget**, **git clone**, ... etc.
- ★ **Settings:** load dependencies, set environment variables, ... etc.
- ★ **Build:** ./configure {**cmake ..**} +**opts**; make; make test {**check**}; make install

Using a centralized HPC software stack:

- ★ **Software distributed via CVMFS:** CC software stack (CC clusters), ...
- ★ **Local software:** modules, legally restricted software (VASP, Gaussian, ...)

Software layers

User layer: Python packages, Perl and R modules, home made codes, ...

User

Software stacks: modules for Intel, PGI, OpenMPI, CUDA, MKL, high-level applications. Multiple architectures (sse3, avx, avx2, avx512)

RSNT

Nix or gentoo: GNU libc, autotools, make, bash, cat, ls, awk, grep, etc.

Gray area: Slurm, Lustre client libraries, IB/OmniPath/InfiniPath client libraries (all dependencies of OpenMPI) in Nix {or gentoo} layer, but can be overridden using PATH & LD_LIBRARY_PATH.

Sys. Admin

OS: kernel, daemons, drivers, libcuda, anything privileged (e.g. the sudo command): always local. Some legally restricted software too (VASP).



Why modules?

★ Why modules?

- Control different versions of the same program.
- Avoid conflicts between different versions and libraries.
- Set the right path to each program or library.



★ Useful commands for working with modules:

- module **list**; module **avail**
- module **spider** <soft>/<version>
- module **load** soft/version; module **unload {rm}** <soft>/<version>
- module **show** soft/version; module **help** <soft>/<version>
- module **purge**; module --force **purge**
- module **use** ~/modulefiles; module **unuse** ~/modulefiles

```
[someuser@bison] $ module list  
Currently Loaded Modules:  
1) GreXEnv (S)
```

Where:
S: Module is Sticky, requires --force to
unload or purge



- ★ **GreX environment [default]: GreXEnv**
 - no module loaded by default.
 - use **module spider** <name of the software> to search for modules
 - **Compilers:** {GCC, Intel}, MKL, PETSc, ... etc.
 - Gaussian, ANSYS, MATLAB, ... etc.
- ★ **The Alliance (Compute Canada) environment [optional]: CCEnv**
 - Switch to CCEnv; load a standard environment; choose the architecture[**sse3**, **avx2**, **avx512**], use **module spider** <soft>
module load CCEnv
module load StdEnv/2020
module load arch/avx512
module load StdEnv/2020 gcc/9.3.0 geant4/10.7.3

```
module load StdEnv/2016.4
module load arch/sse3
module load nixpkgs/16.09 gcc/5.4.0 geant4/10.05.p01
```



- ★ **More than 500 modules:**
 - GCC [5,7,9,11]; Intel [2014 - 2020].
 - Libraries: HDF5, PETSc, GSL, MKL, Libxc, Boost, ...
 - Gaussian, ANSYS, MATLAB, VASP, MCR, Java, ... etc.
 - LAMMPS, GROMACS, ABINIT, QE, VMD, Molden, ... etc.
- ★ **Software maintenance on Grex:**
 - We install programs and update modules on request from users.
 - Search for a program using “**module spider** <name of your program>”
 - If not installed, ask for support “support@tech.alliancecan.ca”
 - We will install the module or update the version.
 - **For commercial software, contact us before you purchase the code:**
 - to check license type.
 - see if it will run under Linux environment, ... etc.



```
----- /opt/lmod/grex/7.6/modulefiles/Core -----
admixture/1.3.0          intel/14.0.2.144          ncl_ncarg/6.4.0          uofm/adf/2019.305-impi
admixture/1.23          (D) intel/15.0.5.223          ncl_ncarg/6.5.0          uofm/adf/2020-impi
ant/1.10.11             intel/2017.8              nodejs/4.4.4             uofm/adf/2020.103-impi
circos/0.69-6          intel/2019.5              (D) nodejs/8.12.0           uofm/adf/2021-impi
cmake/3.12.3           intel/2020.4              nodejs/13.2.0           (D) uofm/adf/2021.102-impi
cmake/3.14.0           j/j903                    openbabel/2.3.2          uofm/adf/2021.106-impi (D)
cmake/3.16.9           jags/3.4.0               openbabel/2.4.1          uofm/cfx/15.0
cmake/3.23.2          (D) jags/4.0.0              openbabel/3.0.0          uofm/cfx/16.2
cns/1.3                jags/4.3.0              (D) openbabel/3.1.1       (D) uofm/cfx/18.2
eigen/3.3.7           java/jdk7u25              ovito/2.9.0              uofm/cfx/19.2
fastqc/0.11.9         java/jdk7u45              ovito/3.0.0-dev502      (D) uofm/cfx/20.1
gaussian/g09.b01.unlim java/jdk8u5                pandoc/2.9.2.1           uofm/cfx/20.2
gaussian/g09.b01      java/jdk8u66              perl/5.14.4              (D) uofm/cfx/21.1
gaussian/g09.e01.unlim java/jdk8u92              (D) perl/5.22.1          (D) uofm/feo/2021.2
gaussian/g09.e01      java/jdk13.0.1            perl/5.28.1              uofm/gaussian/g03
gaussian/g16.b01      julia/1.3.0-bin           php/5.6.40               uofm/gaussian/g09.e01
gaussian/g16.c01.avx2.unlim julia/1.5.4-bin          php/7.3.12              (D) uofm/gaussian/g09 (D)
gaussian/g16.c01.avx2 julia/1.6.1-bin           python/2.7.12-miniconda uofm/mathematica/11.0
gaussian/g16.c01      (D) julia/1.7.0-bin        python/3.6-miniconda    (D) uofm/matlab/R2014A
gcc/4.8                libccerf/1.4              settarg                   uofm/matlab/R2015B
gcc/5.2                lmod                       singularity/3.5.2        uofm/matlab/R2017A
gcc/7.4                (D) ls-prepost/4.7.13      smrtlink/6.0.0.47841     uofm/matlab/R2019B
gcc/9.2                mcr/mcr                   stata/14.2-fagfs         uofm/matlab/R2020B2 (D)
gcc/11.2              mkl/10.3.11              (D) stata/15.0-fagfs      (D) uofm/starccm/16.06.010
git-lfs/3.2.0         mkl/11.1.0                tbb/14                   uofm/starccm/17.02.008-R8 (D)
git/2.21.0            mkl/2019.5                tbb/2019.5              (D) uofm/umcfd/2.4
gnuplot/5.2.7         molden/5.9                trimmomatic/0.39         vina/1.1.2
go/1.10.4             multiwfn/3.8-gui          uofm/adf/2016-impi-test vmd/1.9.3
go/1.11.5             multiwfn/3.8-nogui (D) uofm/adf/2016-impi      vncworkspace/1.1
go/1.12.12            nbo/6.0                   uofm/adf/2017-impi      vtune/2019.4
go/1.13               nbo/7.0                   (D) uofm/adf/2017.114-impi vtune/2019.5 (D)
go/1.13.3             (D) ncl_ncarg/6.2.1 (D) uofm/adf/2018dev-impi wine/3.0
intel/12.1.5.339      ncl_ncarg/6.3.0          uofm/adf/2019-impi     xtb/6.5.0-bin
----- /opt/lmod/stacks -----
CCEnv ($) GrexEnv ($,L)
```

- module avail
- module spider python
- module spider java
- module load gcc ompi
- module avail
- module spider <soft>
- module spider <soft>/<ver>
- module show <soft>
- module purge

If not available:
 → contact support
support@tech.alliancecan.ca

Find and load Gaussian

Gaussian: restricted software; requires a registration

<https://um-grex.github.io/grex-docs/docs/grex/software/specific/gaussian/>

`[someuser@bison]$ module spider gaussian`

`gaussian:`

Versions:

`gaussian/g09.e01`
`gaussian/g16.b01`
`gaussian/g16.c01.avx2`
`gaussian/g16.c01`

```
[someuser@tatanka ~]$ module load gaussian/g16.c01
Loading Gaussian version 16.c01
```

For detailed information about a specific "gaussian" package (including how to load the modules) use the module's full name. Note that names that have a trailing (E) are extensions provided by other modules.

For example:

`$ module spider gaussian/g16.c01`

Find and load ORCA

ORCA:

<https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/ORCA>

- restricted software
- requires a registration

```
[someuser@bison ]$ module spider orca
```

```
[someuser@bison ]$ module spider orca/5.0.2
```

orca:

Versions:

orca/4.2.1

orca/5.0.1

orca/5.0.2

```
[someuser@bison ]$ module load gcc/4.8 ompi/4.1.1 orca/5.0.2
Loading module: gcc/4.8
Loading module: ORCA/5.0.2
```

For detailed information about a specific "orca" package (including how to load the modules) use the module's full name. Note that names that have a trailing (E) are extensions provided by other modules.

For example:

```
$ module spider orca/5.0.2
```

Find and load LAMMPS

```
[someuser@bison ]$ module spider lammmps
```

```
lammmps:
```

```
[someuser@bison ]$ module spider lammmps/29Sep21
```

Versions:

```
lammmps/5Jun19
```

```
lammmps/5Nov16
```

```
lammmps/11Aug17
```

```
lammmps/23Jun22
```

```
lammmps/29Sep21
```

```
lammmps/30jul16
```

```
[~@tatanka ~]$ module load intel/2019.5 ompi/3.1.4 lammmps/29Sep21
```

Lmod is automatically replacing "gcc/7.4" with "intel/2019.5".

```
Unloading module: gcc/7.4.0
```

```
Loading module: LAMMPS/29Sep21
```

For detailed information about a specific "lammmps" package (including how to load the modules) use the module's full name. Note that names that have a trailing (E) are extensions provided by other modules.

For example:

```
$ module spider lammmps/29Sep21
```



- **Local installation (user's directory):**
 - R packages; Julia packages
 - Python packages: virtual environment, conda
 - Perl modules
- **Installation with:**
 - make; make test {check}; make install
 - configure; make; make test {check}; make install
 - cmake; make; make test {check}; make install
- **Java applications:** jar files
- **Singularity and/or Aptainer:**
 - build the image and run the program from the container



- ★ **R** packages: minimal installation
 - **R as modules**: users can install the packages in their home directory.
- ★ **Python** as modules: python and scipy-stack
 - users can install the packages needed in their home directory.
- ★ **Perl** and **bioperl** as modules:
 - users can install the packages needed in their home directory.
- ★ Other software installed locally:
 - Home made programs
 - Restricted and licensed software that can not be distributed via CVMFS.
 - Custom software: patch from a user, changing parts of the code, ... etc.
https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Installing_software_in_your_home_directory



Local installation: R packages

R packages: rgdal, adegenet, stats, rjags, dplyr, ... etc.

Choose a module version: module spider r

Load R and dependencies (gdal, geos, jags, gsl, udunits... etc):

```
module load gcc/7.3.0 r/3.6.0 gdal udunits
```

Launch R and install the packages:

```
~$ R
```

```
> install.packages("sp")
```

```
'lib =/cvmfs/soft.computecanada.ca/easybuild/{..}/R/library"' is not writable
```

```
Would you like to use a personal library instead? (yes/No/cancel) yes
```

```
Would you like to create a personal library '~/.R/{...}' to install packages into? (yes/No/cancel) yes
```

```
--- Please select a CRAN mirror for use in this session ---
```

```
> install.packages("dplyr")
```



Example: Hash::

Load Perl module: module load perl

Install the the first package using cpan or cpanm:

```
~$ cpan install YAML
```

Would you like to configure as much as possible automatically? [yes] **yes**

What approach do you want? (Choose 'local::lib', 'sudo' or 'manual')

[local::lib] **local::lib**

Would you like me to append that to /home/\$USER/.bashrc now? [yes] **yes**

Install the rest of the packages using cpan or cpanm:

```
~$ cpan install Hash::
```

```
~$ cpan install Logger::
```

```
~$ cpan install MCE::
```



Installation with make: **STAR**

- ★ Download the code {wget; curl; git clone; ...}:

```
wget https://github.com/alexdobin/STAR/archive/refs/tags/2.7.8a.tar.gz
```

- ★ Unpack the code: `tar -xvf 2.7.8a.tar.gz`

- ★ Load GCC compiler: `module load gcc`

- ★ Compile the code:

```
cd STAR-2.7.8a/source  
make
```

```
~/.bash_profile
```

```
PATH=$PATH:$HOME/bin:$HOME/software/star/2.7.8a/bin  
export PATH
```

- ★ Copy the binaries and set the path:

```
mkdir -p ~/software/star/2.7.8a/bin  
cp STAR ~/software/star/2.7.8a/bin  
export PATH=$PATH:~/software/star/2.7.8a/bin
```


Installation with configure/make

- ★ Download and unpack the code: `wget, ... gunzip, ... etc.`
- ★ Load the modules and dependencies: `module load gcc omp fftw`
- ★ Configure the program
 - If configure not included, run: `autoreconf -fvi` [to generate it].
 - `./configure --help` [to see the different options].
 - `./configure --prefix=<path to install dir> {+other options}`
- ★ Compile and test:
 - `make; make -j4`
 - `make check; make test`
- ★ Install the program:
 - `make install`

Example: PETSc

```
./configure --with-blas-lapack-dir=$MKLROOT/lib/intel64 --prefix=${instdir} --with-cxx-dialect=C++11  
--download-scalapack=yes --download-blacs=yes --download-superlu_dist=yes  
--download-mumps=yes --download-parmetis=yes --download-metis=yes --download-spooles=yes  
--download-cproto=yes --download-prometheus=yes --with-mkl_pardiso=1  
--with-mkl_pardiso-dir=$MKLROOT --with-mkl-sparse-optimize=1 --with-scalar-type=complex  
--with-debugging=0 --with-hdf5=yes --with-hdf5-dir=$HDF5HOME --download-suitesparse=yes  
--download-fftw=${fftsrc} --download-amd=yes --download-adifor=yes --download-superlu=yes  
--download-triangle=yes --download-generator=yes --with-64-bit-pointers=no --with-cc=mpicc  
--CFLAGS='-O2 -msse4.2 -xSSE4.2 -mp1 -I$MKLROOT/include -mkl -fPIC ' --with-cxx='mpicxx'  
--CXXFLAGS='-O2 -msse4.2 -xSSE4.2 -mp1 -I$MKLROOT/include -mkl -std=c++11 -fPIC '  
--with-fc='mpif90' --FFLAGS='-O2 -msse4.2 -xSSE4.2 -mp1 -I$MKLROOT/include -mkl -fPIC '  
--with-single-library=yes --with-shared-libraries=yes --with-shared-ld=mpicc  
--sharedLibraryFlags="-fPIC -mkl -fPIC" --with-mpi=yes --with-mpi-shared=yes --with-mpirun=mpiexec  
--with-mpi-compilers=yes --with-x=yes
```

Example: **ABINIT**

```
module load intel ompi gsl netcdf
```

```
instdir=<path to the installation directory>
```

```
./configure --prefix=${instdir} --enable-mpi --enable-mpi-io --with-fft-flavor=fftw3-mkl  
--with-linalg-flavor=mkl --with-math-flavor=gsl --enable-debug="no"  
--enable-optim="standard" --enable-64bit-flags --with-linalg-libs="-L$MKLROOT/lib/intel64  
-lmkl_scalapack_lp64 -lmkl_blacs_openmpi_lp64 -lmkl_intel_lp64 -lmkl_sequential  
-lmkl_core -lm" --with-fft-incs="-I$MKLROOT/include/fftw -I$MKLROOT/interfaces/fftw3xf"  
--with-fft-libs="-L$MKLROOT/interfaces/fftw3xf -lfftw3xf_intel_lp64"  
--with-dft-flavor="atompaw+libxc+wannier90" --with-trio-flavor="netcdf" --enable-lotf  
--enable-macroave --enable-gw-dpc CC=mpicc CXX=mpic++ FC=mpif90 F77=mpif77  
F90=mpif90
```



Example with cmake/make

- ★ Download and unpack the code: `wget, ... gunzip, ... etc.`
- ★ Load the modules and dependencies: `module load gcc omp fftw`
- ★ Configure the program: `you may need to load cmake module`
 - `mkdir build && cd build`
 - `cmake .. --help` [to see the different options].
 - `cmake .. -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=installdir {+other options}`
- ★ Compile and test:
 - `make; make -j8`
 - `make check; make test`
- ★ Install the program:
 - `make install`

Using the GUI:

```
ccmake .. {+ options}
```



Cmake options for GROMACS

- ★ Download and unpack the source files
- ★ Load modules:
module load intel/15.0 ompi/3.1.4 fftw cmake
- ★ configure; compile; install
cd gromacs-5.1.4; mkdir build; cd build
cmake -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<path to install dir> -DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=off
-DBUILD_TESTING=off -DREGRESSIONTEST_DOWNLOAD=off
-DCMAKE_C_COMPILER=`which mpicc` -DCMAKE_CXX_COMPILER=`which mpicxx`
-DGMX_BUILD_OWN_FFTW=on -DGMX_SIMD=SSE4.1 -DGMX_DOUBLE=off
-DGMX_EXTERNAL_BLAS=on -DGMX_EXTERNAL_LAPACK=on
-DGMX_FFT_LIBRARY=fftw3 -DGMX_GPU=off -DGMX_MPI=on -DGMX_OPENMP=off
-DGMX_X11=on ../gromacs-5.1.4
make -j4; make install



Cmake options for CERN-ROOT

★ Download and unpack the source files

★ Load modules:

```
module load gcc/9.2 tbb/2019.5 gsl/2.7.1 python/3.7.5 fftw/3.3.8
```

```
module load cfitsio/4.0.0 mkl/2019.5 cmake/3.16.9 git
```

```
export FFTW_DIR=/global/software/cent7/fftw/3.3.8-gcc92-ompi314
```

★ configure; compile; install

```
mkdir build && cd build
```

```
cmake -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<path to install dir> -DGCC_INSTALL_PREFIX=/global/software/cent7/gcc-9.2.0-rpath-76/ \  
-DPYTHON_EXECUTABLE=`which python` -DGSL_CONFIG_EXECUTABLE=/global/software/cent7/gsl/2.7.1-gcc92/bin/gsl-config \  
-DGSL_INCLUDE_DIR=/global/software/cent7/gsl/2.7.1-gcc92/include \  
-DGSL_LIBRARY=/global/software/cent7/gsl/2.7.1-gcc92/lib/libgsl.so \  
-DGSL_ROOT_DIR=/global/software/cent7/gsl/2.7.1-gcc92/ -DCMAKE_C_COMPILER=`which gcc` \  
-DCMAKE_CXX_COMPILER=`which g++` -DCMAKE_FORTRAN_COMPIER=`which gfortran` \  
-DCFITSIO_INCLUDE_DIR=/global/software/cent7/cfitsio/4.0.0-gcc92/include \  
-DCFITSIO_LIBRARY=/global/software/cent7/cfitsio/4.0.0-gcc92/lib/libcfitsio.so \  
-DJEMALLOC_ROOT_DIR=/usr -Dpython3=ON -Dpcre=ON -Dzlib=ON -Dunuran=ON -Dexplicitlink=ON -Dminuit2=ON -Droofit=ON \  
-DCMAKE_SKIP_RPATH=ON -Dxrootd=OFF -Dmysql=OFF -Dkrb5=OFF -Dodbc=OFF -Doracle=OFF \  
-DQT_QMAKE_EXECUTABLE=/usr/bin/qmake-qt4 <path to source directory>
```

- ★ Download and unpack the code
- ★ Load java module: `module load java`
- ★ Run the code

- ★ Example: Trimmomatic
 - `wget http://www.usadellab.org/cms/uploads/supplementary/Trimmomatic/Trimmomatic-0.39.zip`
 - `unzip Trimmomatic-0.39.zip`

- ★ Run the code
 - `module load java`
 - `java -jar <path to>/trimmomatic-0.39.jar {+options if any}`

Resources: [Github](#), [DockerHub](#), SingularityHub, Aptainer.

Singularity examples: <https://github.com/singularityware/singularity/tree/master/examples>

- ★ **Documentation:** <http://singularity.lbl.gov/user-guide>
- ★ **DockerHub:** <https://hub.docker.com/explore/>
- ★ **SingularityHub:** <https://www.singularity-hub.org/>
- ★ **Aptainer:** <https://apptainer.org/>

<https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Singularity/en>
<https://um-grex.github.io/grex-docs/>

Access to Singularity:

- ★ **Connect to cluster:** Grex, cedar, graham, beluga or narval:
- ★ **Load a module:** module load singularity
- ★ **Build the image:** convert the image from Docker to Singularity
- ★ **Note:** You may need to use your own Linux machine or VM to build the image



- ★ **Alternative for running software:** difficult to build from source
- ★ Possibility to **convert Docker** images to **singularity**.
- ★ **Singularity installed on all clusters** {no Docker for security reasons}
- ★ **Build the image:**
 - module load singularity
 - singularity build qiime2-2021.11.sif docker://quay.io/qiime2/core:2021.11
- ★ **Run the code via singularity:**

```
singularity exec -B $PWD:/home -B /global/scratch/someuser:/outputs \  
-B /global/scratch/someuser/path/to/inputs:/inputs <path to qiime2-2021.11.sif> \  
qiime feature-classifier fit-classifier-naive-bayes \  
--i-reference-reads /outputs/some_output_feature.qza \  
--i-reference-taxonomy /outputs/some_output_ref-taxonomy.qza \  
--o-classifier /outputs/some_output_classifier.qza
```



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Since you have found this Website, you may be interested in GreX documentation. GreX is the University of Manitoba's High-Performance Computing system.



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For experienced GreX users

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A Very Quick Start guide

Useful links

- Updating the documentation after adding the new hardware.
- Hosted on GitHub
- The link is available as MOTD when login to GreX.

<https://um-grex.github.io/grex-docs/>



GreX documentation: new website

The screenshot shows the GreX web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with options like 'Print', 'QR code', 'Shortcuts', 'Taxonomies', 'Versions', and 'About'. A notification banner at the top center reads: "The RAC 2022-2023 application call will be announced soon. A communication will be sent to all groups." Below this, the main content area displays "UNOFFICIAL GREX USER GUIDE" with a photograph of a server room. A sidebar on the left contains a list of navigation items including 'GreX', 'The Alliance', 'Quick Start Guide', 'Access / Usage conditions', 'Connect / Transfer data', 'Storage and Data', 'Running jobs on GreX', 'Scheduler', 'Software / Applications', 'Software specific notes', 'OpenOnDemand', 'Visualization', 'GreX changes', 'Local IT Resources', 'Support and Training', 'Workshops', 'FAQ', 'Disclaimer', 'Sitemap', and 'Template'.

HOW TO USE THIS WEBSITE?

To replace the existing website
<https://um-grex.github.io/grex-docs/>

Online soon !

This screenshot shows the 'Message of the Day' page in the GreX interface. It features a header for 'GREX, HPC AT UMANITTOBA OPENONDEMAND PORTAL'. The main content includes a 'Message of the Day' section with a welcome message and instructions for new users. A sidebar on the left is identical to the previous screenshot. On the right, there are 'On this page:' and 'Categories' sections.

This screenshot displays the 'General purpose CPU partitions' and 'General purpose GPU partitions' sections of the GreX interface. It includes two tables with columns for Partition, Nodes, CPUs/Node, CPUs, Mem/Node, and Notes.

Partition	Nodes	CPUs/Node	CPUs	Mem/Node	Notes
skylake	42	52	2184	96 Gb	Cascadelake Refresh
largemem	12	40	480	384 Gb	Cascadelake
compute	316	12	3792	48 Gb	SSE4.2
compute	4	20	80	32 Gb	Avx
	374	-	6536	-	-

Partition	Nodes	GPU type	CPUs/Node	Mem/Node	Notes
epw	2	4 - V100/32 GB	32	187 Gb	AVX512

Partition	Nodes	GPU type	CPUs/Node	Mem/Node	Notes
stamps [1]	3	4 - V100/16GB	32	187 Gb	AVX512
hw [1]	1	HGX-2 16xGPU V100/32GB	48	1500 Gb	NVSwitch server
agro [1]	2	AMD Zen	24	250 Gb	AMD

- ★ FAQ: https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Frequently_Asked_Questions
- ★ Jobs:
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Running_jobs
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Job_scheduling_policies
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Advanced_MPI_scheduling
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Using_GPUs_with_Slurm
- ★ Storage:
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Storage_and_file_management
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Transferring_data/en
- ★ Software:
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Available_software
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Utiliser_des_modules/en
 - https://docs.alliancecan.ca/wiki/Installing_software_in_your_home_directory
- ★ Grex: <https://um-grex.github.io/grex-docs/>


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Getting started

If you are new to using clusters, or not sure how to compile codes or submit Slurm jobs, this page is a good starting point.


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Online documentation

Check out Compute Canada's technical documentation wiki, the primary source for information on Compute Canada resources and services.

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Upcoming sessions

We host training webinars and workshops year-round to help you build skills in computational research. Check out our upcoming training events.

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