

Francis Marion University Patriot Cluster



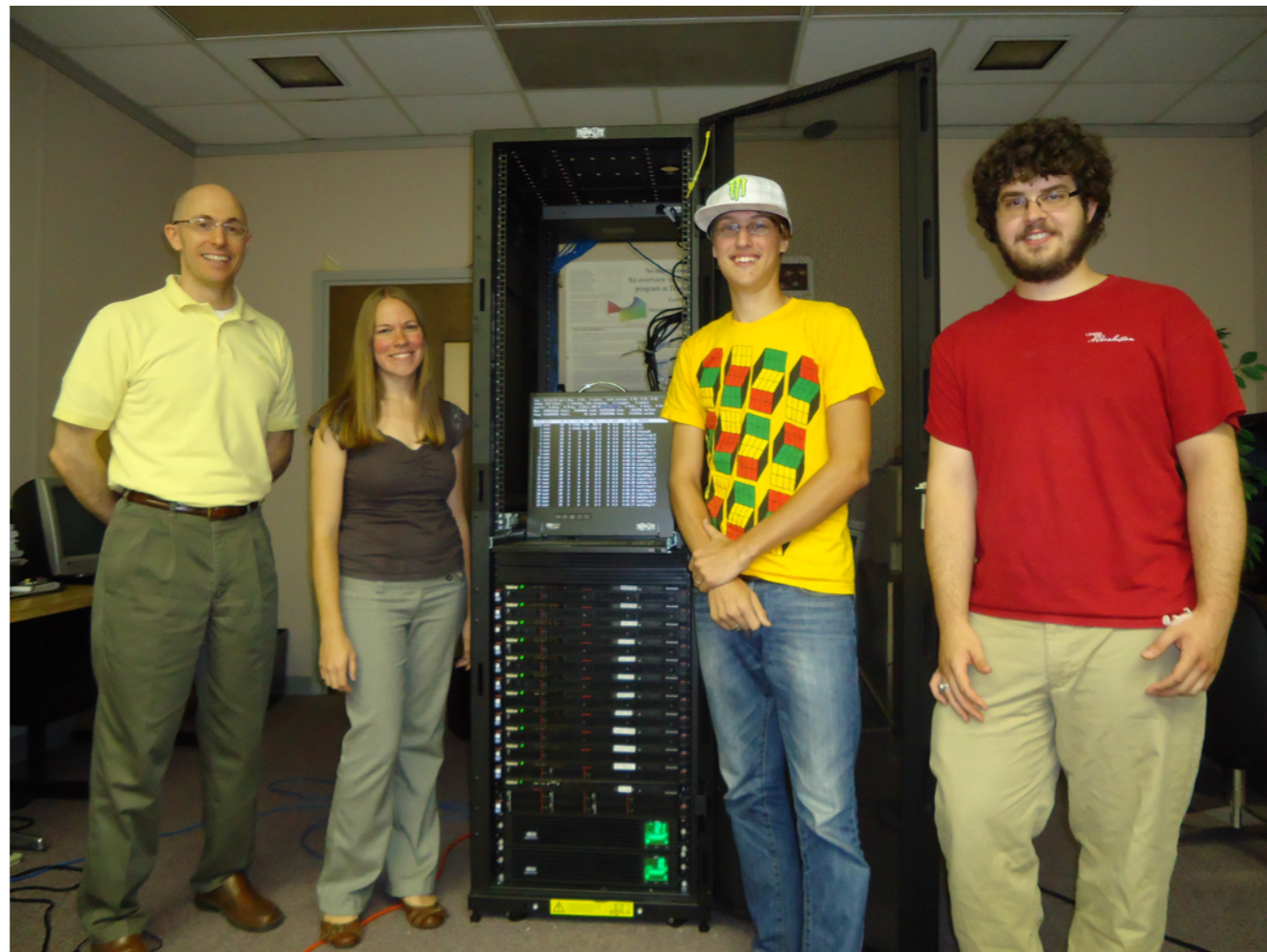
The Team

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FMU Faculty: Larry Engelhardt & Ginger Bryngelson

Clemson Faculty: Galen Collier

Former FMU Faculty: Jacob Moldenhauer



The Grant

- Submitted by Jacob Moldenhauer, Feb. 2013
- Began June 2013
- \$100,000 from NSF - EPSCoR “CI”
 - 1) Equipment
 - 2) Student Salaries (2 students, 10 weeks)
 - 3) Travel (5 trips to/from Clemson)
 - 4) Faculty Salaries (3 faculty, 2 weeks)
- Students paid to become experts!

The Process

- Ordered equipment
- Practiced installing software on old, slow computers (dinosaurs)
- Created tutorial programs
- Received and assembled equipment
- Installed software on the new machines
- Created a user webpage

The Hardware

- 13 Nodes
- 160 CPU Cores
- 2496 GPU Cores
- 576 GB RAM
- 13 TB ROM



The Software

- **Languages**: Fortran, C, Java, Python, CUDA
- **Multi-core Processing**: OpenMPI and MPICH
- **Operating System**: Ubuntu 12.04 LTS Server (Linux)
- **Queue Manager**: SLURM

The Webpage

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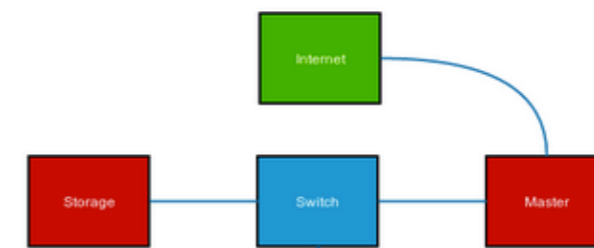
Hello, world!

This is the homepage for the Patriot Cluster of Francis Marion University's Physics and Astronomy (PandA) department. On this page, we have a collection of useful information regarding various topics in High Performance Computing (HPC). Scroll down to browse or utilize the navigation bar on the left to jump to a specific topic. For information about the cluster or how to contact the administrators, see the ["About"](#) and ["Contact"](#) pages.

To request an account, [please fill out the form on the "Request Account" page.](#)

Intro to HPC

Supercomputers consist of many machines that have the ability to communicate. High performance computing is generally utilized by



The Purpose

- Education of Computational Physics students
 - Physics 220, 306, & 406
- Independent student research
 - Physics 397 & 420
- Faculty Research
 - Physics, Chemistry, Math, Computer Science

The Comp Physics Major

- Phys 220: Intro to Computational Physics
 - Falling ball
 - Rocket simulation
- Phys 306: Computational Physics
 - Numerical integration
 - Parallel-multi parameter optimization
- Phys 406: Advanced Computational Physics
 - Quantum spins
 - Molecular dynamics

And much,
much more!

Many Educational Benefits

- Undergraduates acquire supercomputing skills
 - Parallelization & job submission
- Some learn to manage the cluster (very desirable!)
- Faculty members have access for research
- Even high school students are exposed!

Thanks!

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Welcome to the PATRIOT cluster, operated by the Francis Marion University Department of Physics and Astronomy.

About the Patriot cluster:
160 CPU cores, 2496 GPU cores, 576 GB of RAM, Several TB of hard drives

For information on how to use the Patriot cluster, see <http://swampfox.fmarion.edu/patriotcluster>

The one thing you must remember:
** ALWAYS USE SLURM TO EXECUTE ALL COMPUTATIONS! **

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Questions?