

# Texas A&M High Performance Research Computing (HPRC) Resources to Build Your Digital Twin Faster

Digital Twin Workshop  
February 8, 2022

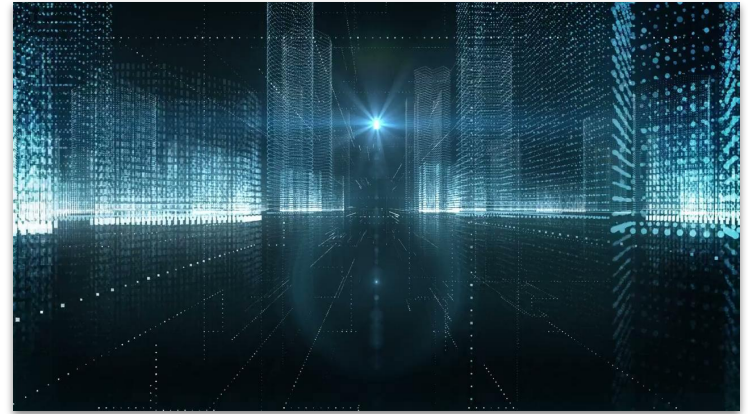


High Performance  
Research Computing  
DIVISION OF RESEARCH

# High Performance Research Computing

## Our Mission:

- Provide **computing** resources
- Provide consulting, technical guidance, and training to support users of these resources.
- Collaborate on computational and data-enabled research.

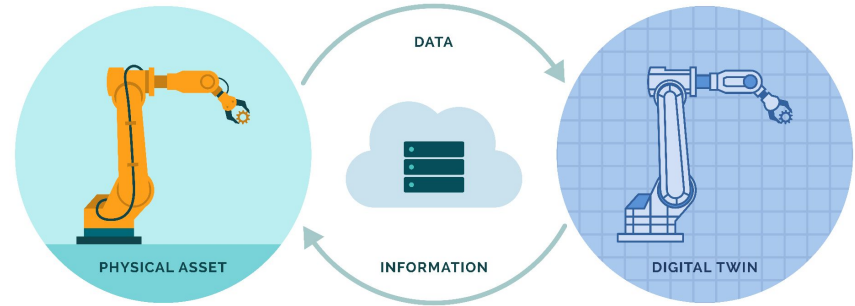


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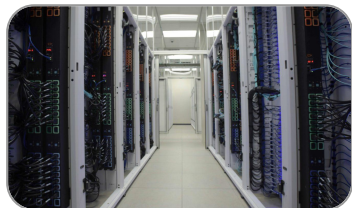
- **Free of charge** to all faculty, postdocs, research staff, students and external collaborators
- Computing cycles for research and university course purposes
- **Application is required for access**
- User Services
  - Helpdesk: New user start-up assistance and general support
  - Training: Short Courses, Workshops, & YouTube videos
  - Advanced Support: Software and research consulting
    - Expertise in many science and engineering research domains
- Access to state and national advanced computing resources

# Digital Twins

- 0. Standalone twin
- 1. Descriptive twin
- 2. Informative twin
- 3. Predictive twin
- 4. Comprehensive twin
- 5. Autonomous twin



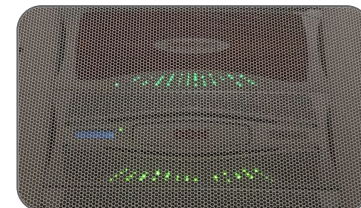
# High Performance Research Computing Clusters



Grace



Terra



ViDaL

|                            |   |                         |   |
|----------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|
| <b>Total Nodes (Cores)</b> | 925 (44,656)                                    | 307 (8,512)             | 24 (1,120)  |
| <b>General Nodes</b>       | 48 cores<br>384GB                               | 28 cores<br>64GB        | 40 cores<br>192 GB  |
| <b>Features</b>            | GPUs (A100, RTX 6000, T4)<br>Large Memory Nodes | GPUs (K80, V100)<br>KNL | <b>Compliant Computing</b><br>GPUs (V100)<br>Large Memory Nodes |
| <b>Interconnect</b>        | HDR100 InfiniBand                               | Omni-Path               | 40Gb Ethernet   |
| <b>Global Disk (raw)</b>   | 8.9 PB  | 7.4 PB                  | 2 PB  |

<https://hprc.tamu.edu/resources>

# NSF MRI FASTER

Fostering Accelerated Scientific Transformations, Education, and Research

- **Composable** software-hardware approach
- 184-Intel Ice Lake nodes (11,520-core) with InfiniBand. (64-core, 256GB memory, and 3.84TB NVMe disk per node)
- **NVIDIA GPUs:** 200x T4, 40x A100, 10x A10, 4x A30, and 8x A40 GPUs
- Each node can compose up to 20 GPUs.



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# High Performance Computing (HPC) Architecture Comparison

## Legacy HPC

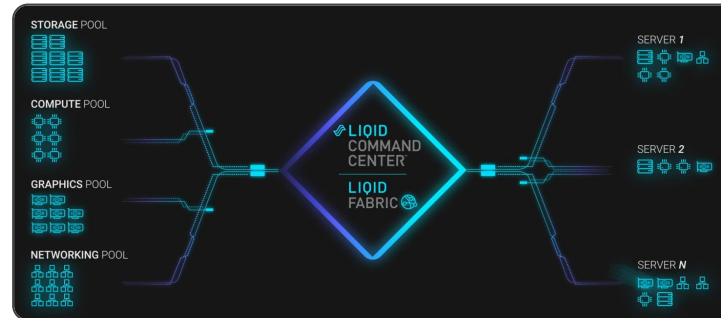
- Built on Converged HW
- Static Hardware Design
- Fixed GPUs/Accelerators
- Fixed Memory
- Legacy Storage: SATA and SAS

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## Modern HPC

- Built on Disaggregated HW
- Composable Hardware Platform
- Composable GPUs/Accelerators
- Composable Memory - Optane
- Modern Storage: NVMe-oF



Modern HPC Platforms Support Composable GPUs/Accelerators and Memory



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- ✓ Technologies
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As Moore's law slows, HPC developers are increasingly looking for speed gains in specialized code and specialized hardware – but this specialization, in turn, can make testing and deploying code trickier than ever. Now, researchers from Texas A&M University, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the University of Texas at Austin have teamed, with NSF funding, to build a \$5 million prototype supercomputer ("ACES") with a dynamically configurable smörgåsbord of hardware, aiming to support developers as hardware needs grow ever more diverse.

ACES (short for "Accelerating Computing for Emerging Sciences") is presented as an "innovative composable hardware platform." ACES will leverage a PCIe-based composable framework from Liqid to offer access to Intel's high-bandwidth memory Sapphire Rapids processors and more than 20 accelerators: Intel FPGAs; NEC Vector Engines; NextSilicon co-processors; Graphcore IPU's (Intelligence Processing Units); and Intel's forthcoming Ponte Vecchio GPUs. All this hardware will be coupled with Intel Optane memory and DDN Lustre Storage and connected with Mellanox NDR 400Gbps networking.

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## ACES - Accelerating Computing for Emerging Sciences

ACES is an innovative advanced computational prototype to be developed by Texas A&M University partnering with TACC and UIUC.

"ACES will enable applications and workflows to dynamically integrate the different accelerators, memory, and in-network computing protocols to glean new insights by rapidly processing large volumes of data," the [NSF grant](#) reads, "and provide researchers with a unique platform to produce complex hybrid programming models that effectively supports calculations that were not feasible before."

<https://www.hpcwire.com/2021/09/23/three-universities-team-for-nsf-funded-aces-reconfigurable-supercomputer-prototype/>





# ACES System Description



| Component   | Quantity                    | Description   |
|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Allocatable resources                                   |                             | Total cores: 11,520   |
| CPU-centric computing with variable memory requirements | 120 nodes<br>(11,520 cores) | Dual Intel Sapphire Rapids 2.1 GHz<br>48 core processors with HBM2e memory<br>96 cores per node, 512 GB memory,<br>1.6 TB NVMe storage (PCIe 5.0),<br>NVIDIA Mellanox NDR 200 Gbps Infiniband |
| Composable infrastructure                               | 120 nodes                   | Dynamically reconfigurable infrastructure that allows up to 20 PCIe cards (GPU, FPGA, VE, etc.) per compute node  |
| Data transfer nodes                                     | 2 nodes                     | Same as compute nodes, 100 Gbps network adapter   |

To be deployed in late 2022

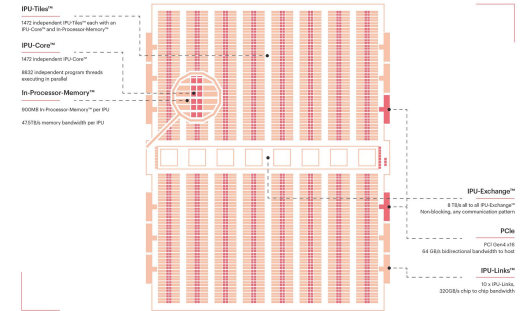
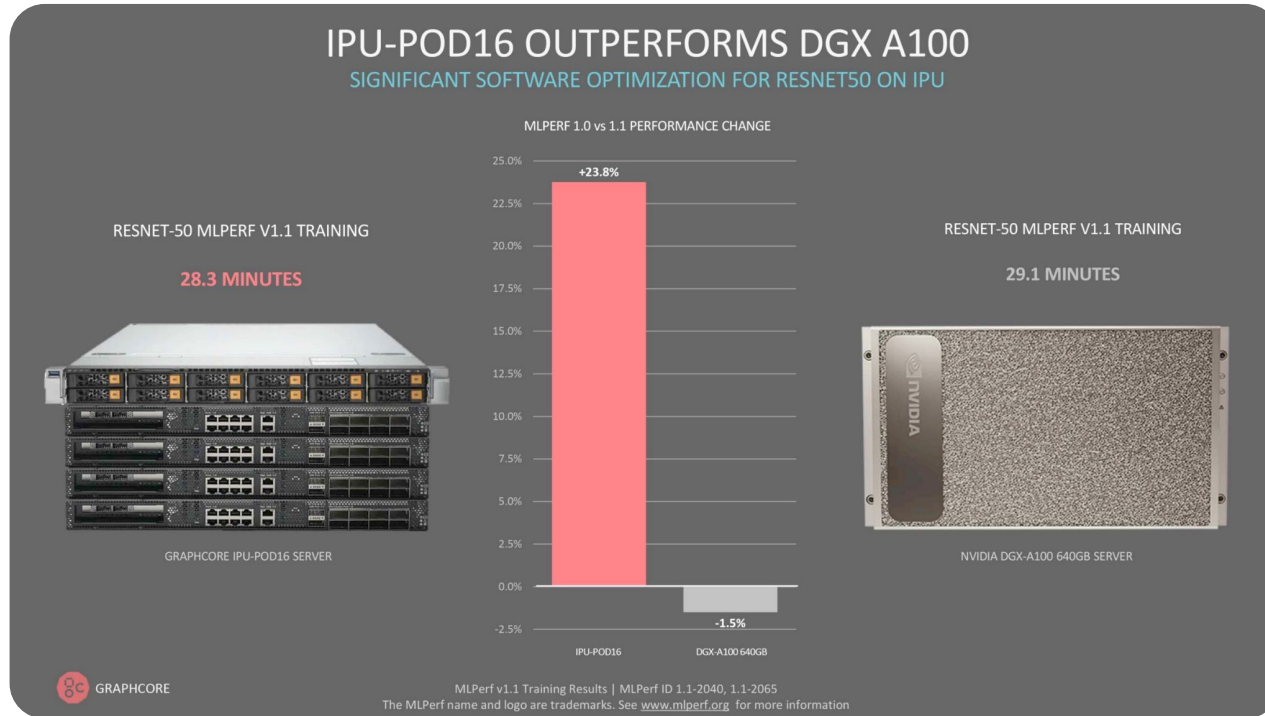
# ACES - Accelerating Computing for Emerging Sciences (To be deployed in 2022)



| Component                                     | Quantity* | Description   |
|---|-----------|---|
| <a href="#">Graphcore IPU</a>                 | 16        | 16 IPUs direct-attached to a server   |
| <a href="#">Intel Agilex FPGA</a>             | 20        | Agilex FPGA with a broad hierarchy of memory including DDR5, HBM2e and Optane Persistent Memory |
| <a href="#">NextSilicon</a> coprocessor       | 20        | Reconfigurable accelerator with an optimizer continuously evaluating application behavior.      |
| <a href="#">NEC Vector Engine</a>             | 24        | Vector computing card with 8 cores and HBM2 memory  |
| Intel Ponte Vecchio GPU                       | 100       | Intel GPU for HPC, DL Training, AI Inference  |
| <a href="#">Liquid Intel Optane PCIe SSDs</a> | 6         | 3 TB PCIe SSD cards addressable as memory using Intel Memory Drive Technology                   |

\*Estimated quantities

# Graphcore IPUs (Intelligence Processing Unit)



<https://www.graphcore.ai/posts/accelerating-resnet50-training-on-the-ipu-behind-our-mlperf-benchmark>

#### Interactive Apps

BIO

Beauti

CRISPR-Local

Gap5

IGV

Mauve

Structure

GUI

ANSYS Workbench

Abaqus/CAE (testing)

MATLAB

ParaView

VNC

Servers

Jupyter Notebook

JupyterLab

RStudio

Spark-Jupyter Notebook

You have no active sessions.


Open OnDemand (OOD) Portal is an advanced web-based graphical interface for HPC users.

Interactive Apps: launch a software window right in your browser.

[HPRC Portal](#)  
[YouTube tutorials](#)

# HPRC Portal

<https://portal.hprc.tamu.edu>



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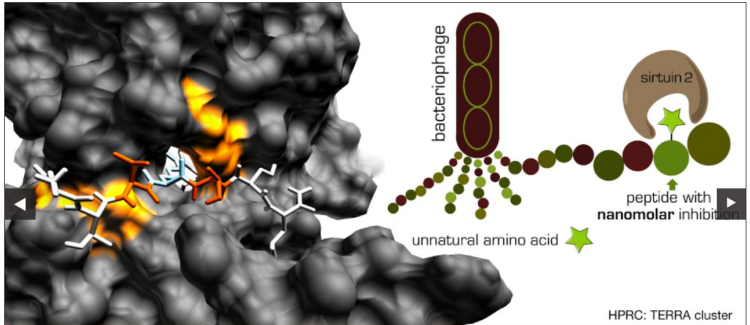
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- Galaxy

#### Cluster Status

|       |                   |
|-------|-------------------|
| Grace |                   |
| Nodes | 668/882 (76%)     |
| Cores | 27086/42512 (64%) |
| Jobs  | 794R-613Q         |
| Terra |                   |



bacteriophage

sirtuin 2

peptide with nanomolar inhibitor

unnatural amino acid

HPRC: TERRA cluster  
MD: Desmond/Schrodinger  
GPU, 150+ h

Synergism between Theory and Experiments

#### News

SEP 23 Trailblazing supercomputer will enable scientists and engineers to optimize its

#### Events

OCT 29 Technology Lab: Using AI Frameworks in Jupyter Notebook

# Available Software Modules

<https://hprc.tamu.edu/wiki/SW:Modules>

mla command to quickly search for installed software:

```
mouse@terra2 ~]$ mla scikit-learn
Using /home/mouse/module.avail.terra
scikit-learn/
scikit-learn/0.18.1-intel-2017A-Python-2.7.12
scikit-learn/0.19.1-foss-2017b-Python-2.7.14
scikit-learn/0.19.1-foss-2017b-Python-3.6.3
scikit-learn/0.19.1-foss-2018a-Python-3.6.4
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scikit-learn/0.23.1-foss-2020a-Python-3.8.2
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scikit-learn/0.23.2-intelcuda-2020b
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Python  
Matlab  
Keras  
PyTorch  
scikit-learn  
Pandas  
NumPy  
Matplotlib  
Julia  
....  
Compilers: C++,  
Fortran, Intel  
OneAPI, GNU, ...  
CUDA, OpenCL  
OpenMPI, IntelMPI  
...



# Advanced Support Program

Collaborations on computational research projects.

HPRC analysts can contribute expertise in:

- Software development for research workflows
- Developing GUIs and apps for research projects
- Porting applications to HPC clusters
- Code development, optimizing and analysis on serial and parallel platforms
- Leveraging mathematical libraries
- Workflow automation in scientific processes

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# Partnering on Outreach

Leverage our programs to strengthen your broader impacts

- Teach a short course on computing to the TAMU community.
- Become an instructor in the Summer Computing Academy program camps for middle and high school students.
- Join the the NSF SWEETER CyberTeam to explore computing-driven research and educational partnerships with universities in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.
- Participate in the NSF BRICCs community to support research computing at smaller institutions and community colleges.
- Make your computing products available on the NSF ACES, NSF FASTER, and NSF Frontera machines.
- Mentor our students in international Student Cluster Competitions.







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### Cluster Status

#### Grace

|       |                   |
|-------|-------------------|
| Nodes | 545/865 (63%)     |
| Cores | 19805/41614 (48%) |
| Jobs  | 841R-150Q         |

#### Terra

|       |                 |
|-------|-----------------|
| Nodes | 160/306 (52%)   |
| Cores | 3522/9028 (39%) |

Jobs 125D-33Q



### News

JAN 14

[Research study by Texas A&M Libraries finds HPRC's work is recognized by the Texas A&M community](#)

DEC 2

[Texas A&M HPRC supported course materials are now available on OakTrust](#)

### Events

Dec 4

[Expanding Your Horizons - Coding for Fun!](#)

Dec 3

[HPRC Data Workshop at the Texas A&M Conference on Energy](#)

DEC 29

[Technology Lab: Using AI Frameworks in](#)



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