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Making Supercomputers Smart: the Moscow State University Experience

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HPC in MSU: the Ancient History

2 KOps "Strela" Computer, 1956

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4.5 KOps "Setun" Ternary Computer, 1961

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HPC in MSU: the Ancient History

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20 KOps "BESM-4" Computer, 1966



HPC in MSU: the Middle Ages

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First MSU Computing Clusters, 2001

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166 GFlops "Leo" Cluster, 2005

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704 GFlops HP "Ant" Cluster, 2006

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HPC in MSU: the Middle Ages

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60 TFlops "Chebyshev", 2007

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1.7 PFlops "Lomonosov", 2009

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HPC in MSU: the Modern Period

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Very Simple but Fundamental Questions Behind Parallel Computing

How to solve problems faster?



Parallel computing, pipelining...

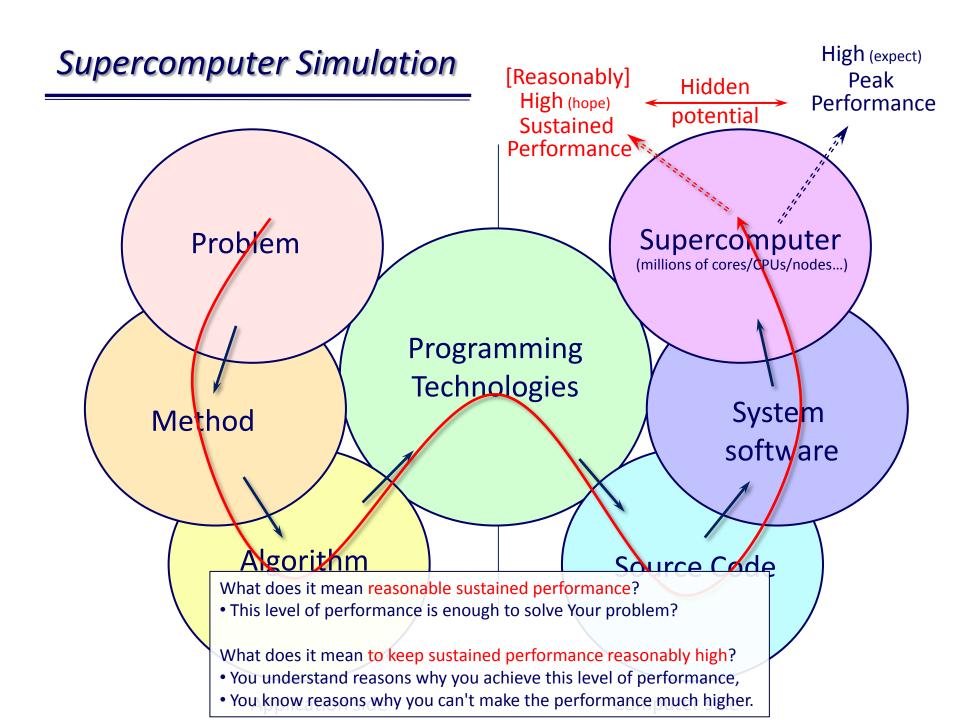
How to solve problems much faster? efficient How to organize the work of a team of several people/cores/CPUs...?



Theory / Practice...

Various computer architectures...

Synchronicity / Asynchrony / Models...

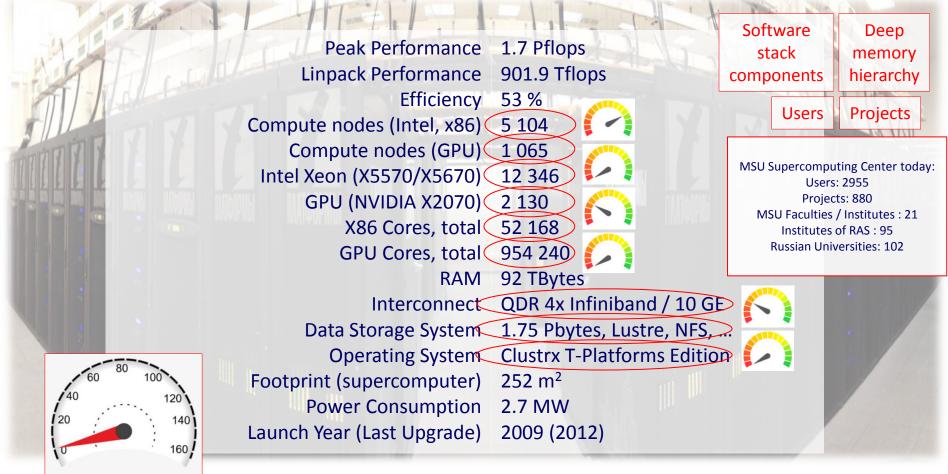


Supercomputer Centers Today



Supercomputer Centers Today (MSU Supercomputer "Lomonosov" as an example)

What does "efficiency of supercomputers" mean? I need to know (control) everything...

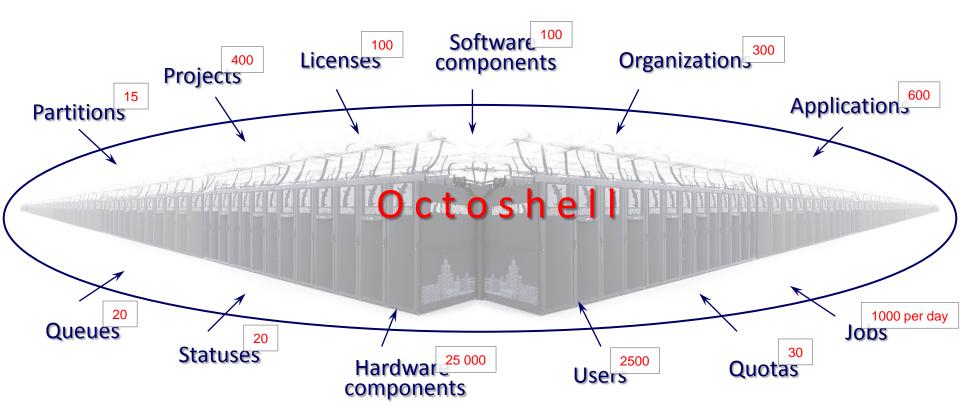


special actions are desperately needed to prevent almost-zero speed/efficiency !

How to make Supercomputers Smart (not just powerful)

- We must control everything what is necessary to control efficiency permanently and exactly
- We need guarantee of coincidence between our expectations and reality
- We must describe everything that needs to be controlled
- MSU experience: smart software and analytical techniques
 - Octoshell for users/projects management, support, etc.
 - DiMMon for monitoring
 - Octotron to control the components state
 - Analytical tools

Octoshell: Overcoming Complexity of Supercomputing Centers (to describe everything that needs to be controlled)



DiMMon: Total Monitoring of MSU Supercomputers (to control efficiency permanently and exactly)

Requirements for the supercomputer monitoring:

- we need to know: what, where, when,
- scalability: thousands computing nodes, dozens sensors per node,
- high frequency: a few seconds and less,
- active and passive modes,

• ...

A smart approach to monitoring:

- **on-the-fly analysis**: all relevant information should be extracted from the monitoring data before it's stored in a database;

- **on-site analysis**: monitoring data must be processed where the data were obtained (process first, move data (if necessary) later);

- **dynamic reconfiguration of monitoring systems**: the monitoring system must be capable to change dynamically its configuration, depending on the current load on the supercomputer and the specific analysis objectives.

There is no problem with monitoring of the Lomonosov/Lomonosov-2 supercomputers...

Octotron: Supercomputer's Configuration and Control (coincidence between our expectations and reality)

Large numbers in supercomputers: processors, nodes, other HW&SW components

Every component may fail at any time

The Octotron is aimed to eliminate the after-effects of failures by automated reactions

The main Octotron idea is the total supercomputer description – **the model of supercomputer**

The model represents our expectation. Monitoring data shows reality.

Analytics: Two Main Targets

We have **full information on all applications** executed on MSU supercomputers...

Two main targets are:

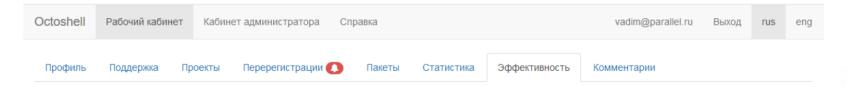
- **1. To help users** to find problems with efficiency of their application and to improve the efficiency if possible
- 2. To help administration to estimate overall supercomputer efficiency

Analytics: Efficiency of Applications

We need to help users to find problems with efficiency of their application and to improve the efficiency if possible

- Examine all applications
- On-the-fly analysis
- Input data for analysis include:
 - Performance monitoring (DiMMon)
 - Task manager (Slurm)
 - Used libraries (XALT)
 - Other analytic tools
 - Machine learning based tools to find applications with low efficiency

Analytics: Efficiency of Applications



Информация о завершенных задачах

На данной странице вы можете посмотреть информацию о ваших задачах, а также оценить эффективность их выполнения. Для отображения только интересующих задач укажите ниже требуемые фильтры.

Показаны задачи: 0..19 из 19

Нет скрытых проблем с производительностью.

| | Найденные проблемы | ID \$ задачи | Начало 🕈 счета | Конец 🗢 счета | \$ Статус | Число ¢ узлов | Время счета (часы) | Размер задачи (ЦПУ- часы) | Загрузка 🔻 ЦПУ | Загрузка 🗘 ГПУ | Load average | ¢ IPC | Получено байт по | Передано байт по МРІ ≑ (МБ/с) |
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Efficiency tab in Octoshell shows analysis results for all user applications

Analytics: Efficiency of Applications

Two similar runs:

- All input parameters are the same.
- Run time and MPI data transfers intensity are different.
- Root cause: weak network locality (6 switches instead of 3)

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🗖 Задача активно работает с MPI сетью, но сетевая локальность плохая (узлы СК расположены далеко друг от друга).

3адача запущена в разделе для GPU задач, однако практически не использует графические процессоры.

Слишком маленькие средние размеры ФС ІВ пакетов при достаточно высокой интенсивности использования коммуникационной сети.

Analytics: Abnormal Application Behavior

Общая информация

| Суперкомпьютер | lomonosov-2 | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| ID задачи | | | | | |
| Логин | CENSORED | | | | |
| Статус завершения задачи | COMPLETED | | | | |
| Раздел суперкомпьютера | compute | | | | |
| Число ядер | 336 | | | | |
| Число узлов | 24 | | | | |
| Постановка в очередь | 10/11/18 18:02:15 | | | | |
| Начало счета | 10/11/18 19:35:17 | | | | |
| Конец счета | 10/12/18 05:20:15 | | | | |
| Время счета (часы) | 9.7 | | | | |

Производительность

| Значение | Общая оценка | |
|----------|--|--|
| 98.57 | good | |
| 1819.40 | low | |
| 1.15 | good | |
| 0.00 | low | |
| | 98.57 1819.40 1.15 0.00 0.00 0.00 | |

Базовые свойства В задаче мало MPI коммуникаций

Слишком низкая загрузка процессора при данном уровне loadavg

Задача активно работает с памятью

Задача имеет низкую локальность обращений в память

EXTREMELY HIGH!

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Найденные потенциальные проблемы с эффективностью

В данном разделе приведен список проблем с эффективностью, которые были найдены для данной задачи. Для каждой проблемы приведено ее описание (какой признак возникновения проблемы был обнаружен), предположение (в чем, на наш взгляд, может заключаться причина возникновения проблемы) и рекомендация (что мы советуем сделать для ее устранения). Во многих случаях в рекомендации указано, какой тип дальнейшего анализа стоит проводить; реализацию этого функционала планируется выполнить в будущем.

Возможность оценки корректности и/или изменения обнаруженных проблем с эффективностью также планируется добавить в ближайшем будущем. Сейчас эта возможность реализована только на общей странице со списком задач.

| Тип | Описание | Предположение | Рекомендация | | | |
|--------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| © ≭ Ҳ ♀ ८ | Задача запущена в разделе для GPU задач, однако практически не использует графические процессоры. | Неправильно выбран раздел для задачи. | Рекомендуется сменить раздел. | | | |
| 0⊗ ३ ₽ ₽ | Задача выполняется аномально неэффективно. | Задача работает некорректно или зависла. | Рекомендуется проверить корректность запуска и при необходимости отменить его. | | | |

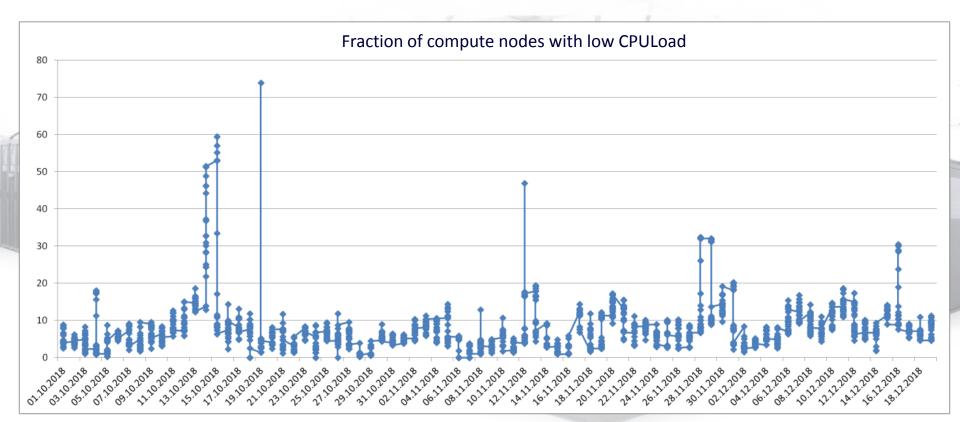
Analytics: Overall Supercomputer Efficiency

We need to help administration to estimate overall supercomputer efficiency

- Slices as main type of data presentation
- Warnings about critical events
- Input data for analysis include:
 - Performance monitoring (DiMMon)
 - Task manager (Slurm)
 - Used libraries (XALT)
 - Other analytic tools
 - Machine learning based tools to find applications with low efficiency
 - Projects, organizations, subject areas (Octoshell)
 - Compilers and linked libraries
 - Hardware and software failures (Octotron)
 - File system performance

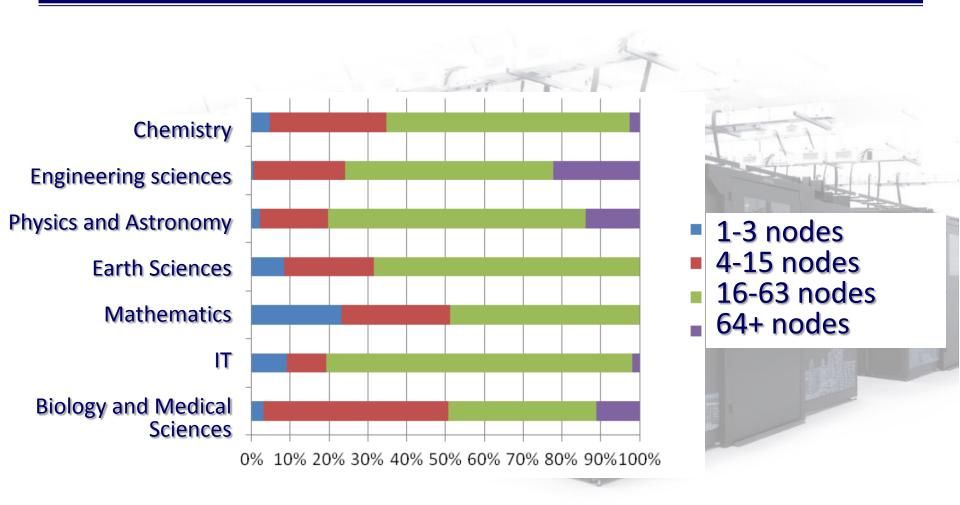
Analytics: Usage of Lomonosov-2 Compute Nodes

We have full information on hardware components of MSU supercomputers...



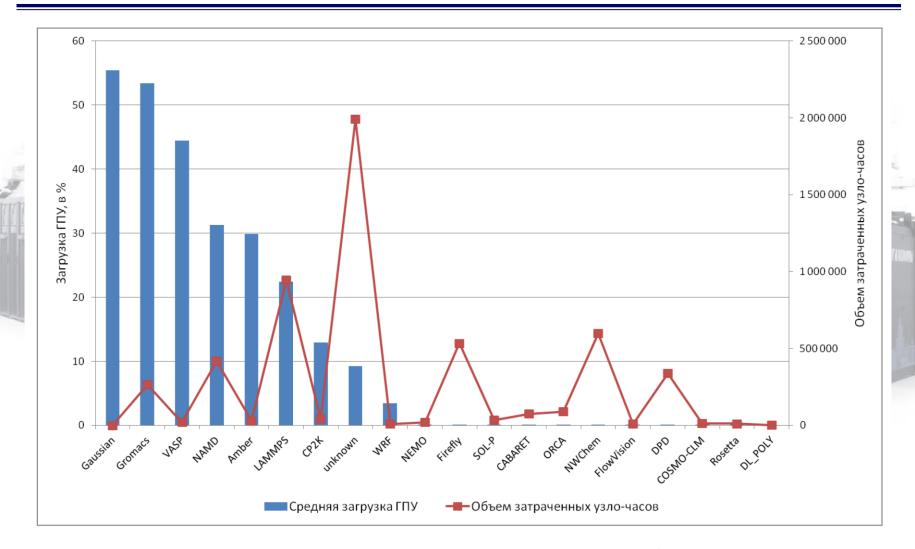
Period of time: 01.oct.18 – 18.dec.18. Fraction of Lomonosov-2 compute nodes with CPULoad below 10%. There are several points per each day since data are collected every hour.

Analytics: Application Sizes by Subject Areas



Core-hours for different subject areas (Lomonosov-2, 1st half of 2019)

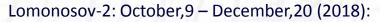
Analytics: GPU Usage by Software Packages

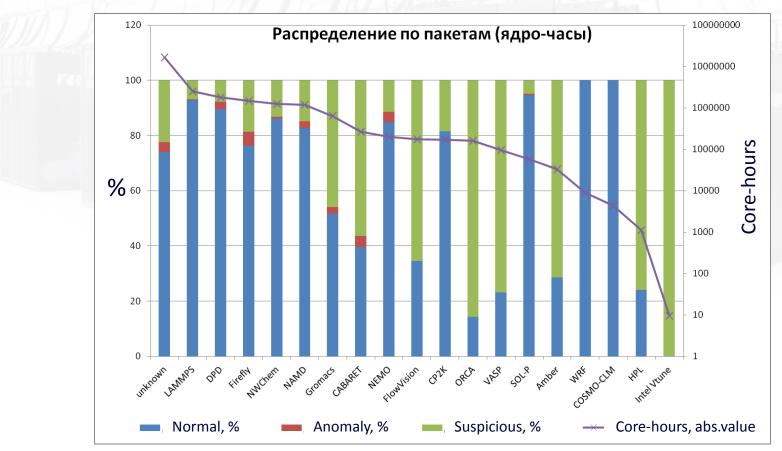


GPU load for software packages (Lomonosov-2, 1st half of 2019)

Analytics: Software Packages Efficiency (using XALT software)

We have **full information on software components** at MSU supercomputers (also on users, projects, organizations, etc.) ...



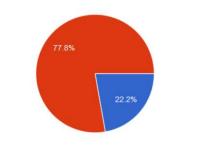


Overall Supercomputer Efficiency???

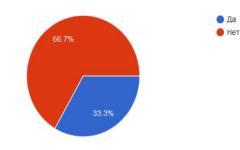
Do you know your Top5 applications with the lowest CPU load?

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Нет



Do you use any tools for regular efficiency reports?



Do you collect statistics of software packages used?





Administrators survey results (RuSCDays'19)

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