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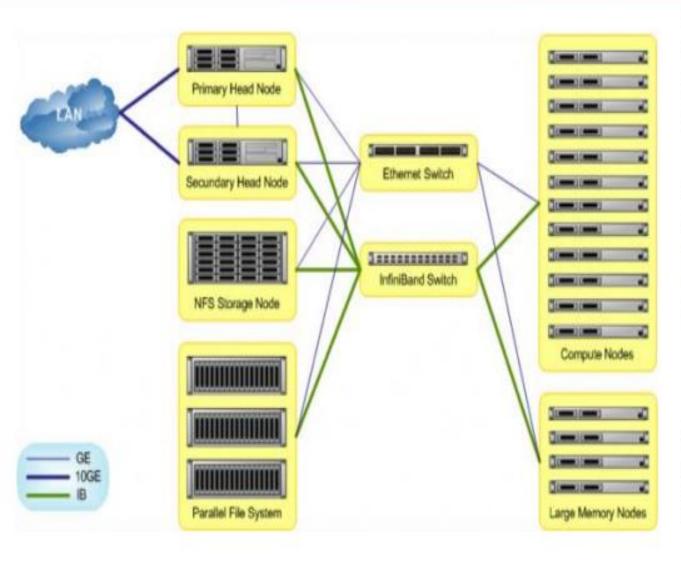
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Load Share Facility (LSF)

LSF was based on the Utopia research project at the University of Toronto. In 2007, Platform release Platform LAVA, which is a simplified version of LSF based on an old version of LSF release, licensed under GNU (General Public License). The project was discontinued in 2011, Succeeded by Open LAVA. In January, 2012, Platform Computing was acquired by IBM. The product is called now IBM Spectrum LSF.

Clusters



Clusters

A group of computers (hosts) running LSF that work together as a single unit, combining computing power and sharing workload and resources. A cluster provides a single-system image for a network of computing resources.

Hosts can be grouped into clusters in a number of ways. A cluster could contain:

- All the hosts in a single administrative group
- All the hosts on one file server or sub-network
- Hosts that perform similar functions

HPC Cluster

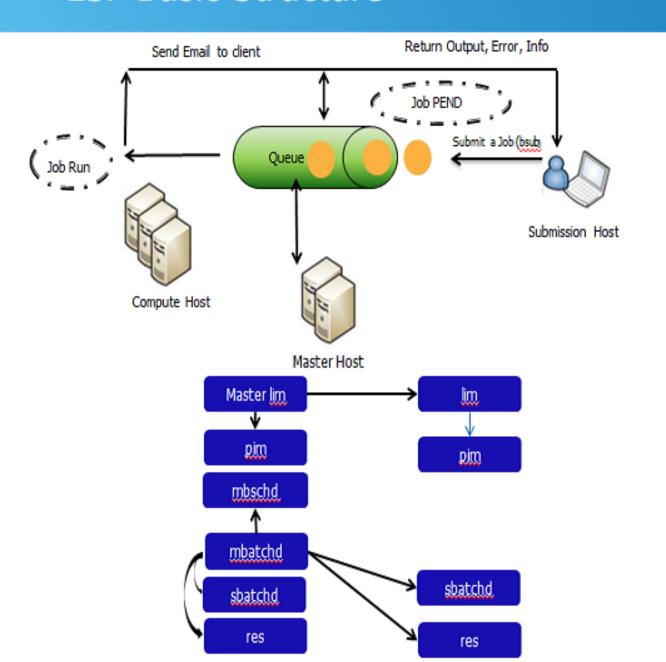
High-performance computing (HPC) is the use of parallel processing for running advanced application programs efficiently, reliably and quickly.

Platform LSF

- IBM Platform LSF software is a industry leading enterprise class software that distributes work across existing heterogeneous IT resources creating a shared, scalable, and fault-tolerant infrastructure, delivering faster, more reliable workload performance while reducing cost. LSF balances load and allocates resources, while providing access to those resources.
- LSF provides a resource management framework that takes your job requirements, finds the best resources to run the job, and monitors its progress. Jobs always run according to host load and site policies.

Cluster Job Submission Resources / Compute Host Jobs wait in Master Host queue until the available resources are ready Queues

LSF Basic Structure



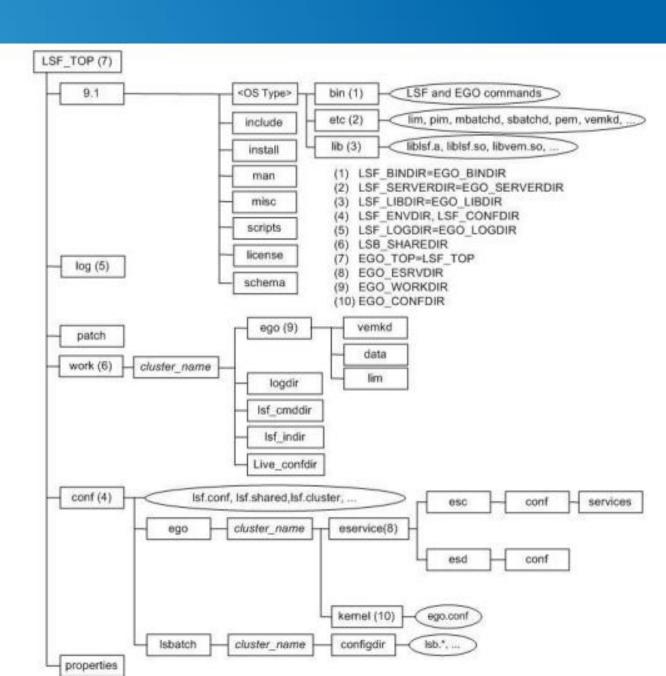
An LSF Cluster can be divided Into two groups of hosts:
 Management Hosts And a Compute Hosts. Management
 Hosts Provide specialized services to the cluster; Compute hosts run the user workload.

LSF Daemons

- Mbatchd
- Mbschd
- Sbatchd
- Res
- Lim
- Master Lim
- ELIM
- Pim

LSF directories

 This diagram illustrates an example directory structure after the LSF installation is complete



LSF Daemons

Mbatchd

- Master Batch Daemon running on the master host.
- Started by sbatchd.
- Responsible for the overall state of jobs in the system.
- Receives job submission, and information query requests.
- Manages jobs that are held in queues. Dispatches jobs to hosts as determined by mbschd.

Mbschd

- Master Batch Scheduler Daemon running on the master host.
- Works with mbatchd.
- Started by mbatchd.
- Makes scheduling decisions based on job requirements, and policies, and resource availability. Sends scheduling decisions to mbatchd.

Sbatchd

- Slave Batch Daemon running on each server host.
- Receives the request to run the job from mbatchd and manages local execution of the job.
- Responsible for enforcing local policies and maintaining the state of jobs on the host.
- The sbatchd forks a child sbatchd for every job. The child sbatchd runs an instance of res to create the execution environment in which the job runs. The child sbatchd exits when the job is complete.

LSF Daemons

- Res
 - Remote Execution Server (res) running on each server host.
 - Accepts remote execution requests to provide transparent and secure remote execution of jobs and tasks.
- Lim
 - Load Information Manager (LIM) running on each server host.
 - Collects host load and configuration information and forwards it to the master LIM running on the master host.
 - Reports the information that is displayed by Isload and Ishosts.
 - Static indices are reported when the LIM starts up or when the number of CPUs (ncpus) change. Static indices are:
 - Number of CPUs (ncpus)
 - Number of disks (ndisks)
 - Total available memory (maxmem)
 - Total available swap (maxswp)
 - Total available temp (maxtmp)
 - Dynamic indices for host load collected at regular intervals are:
 - Hosts status (status)
 - 15 second, 1 minute, and 15 minute run queue lengths (r15s, r1m, and r15m)
 - CPU utilization (ut)
 - Paging rate (pg)
 - Number of login sessions (ls)
 - Interactive idle time (it)
 - Available swap space (swp)
 - Available memory (mem)
 - Available temp space (tmp)
 - Disk IO rate (io)

LSF Daemons

Master Lim

- The LIM running on the master host. Receives load information from the LIMs running on hosts in the cluster.
- Forwards load information to mbatchd, which forwards this information to mbschd to support scheduling decisions. If the
 master LIM becomes unavailable, a LIM on another host automatically takes over.

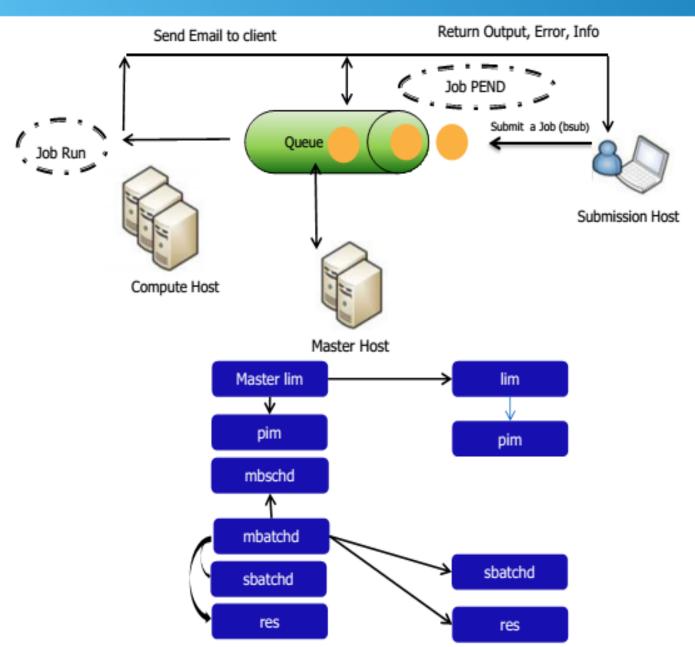
ELIM

 External LIM (ELIM) is a site-definable executable that collects and tracks custom dynamic load indices. An ELIM can be a shell script or a compiled binary program, which returns the values of the dynamic resources you define. The ELIM executable must be named elim and located in LSF_SERVERDIR.

Pim

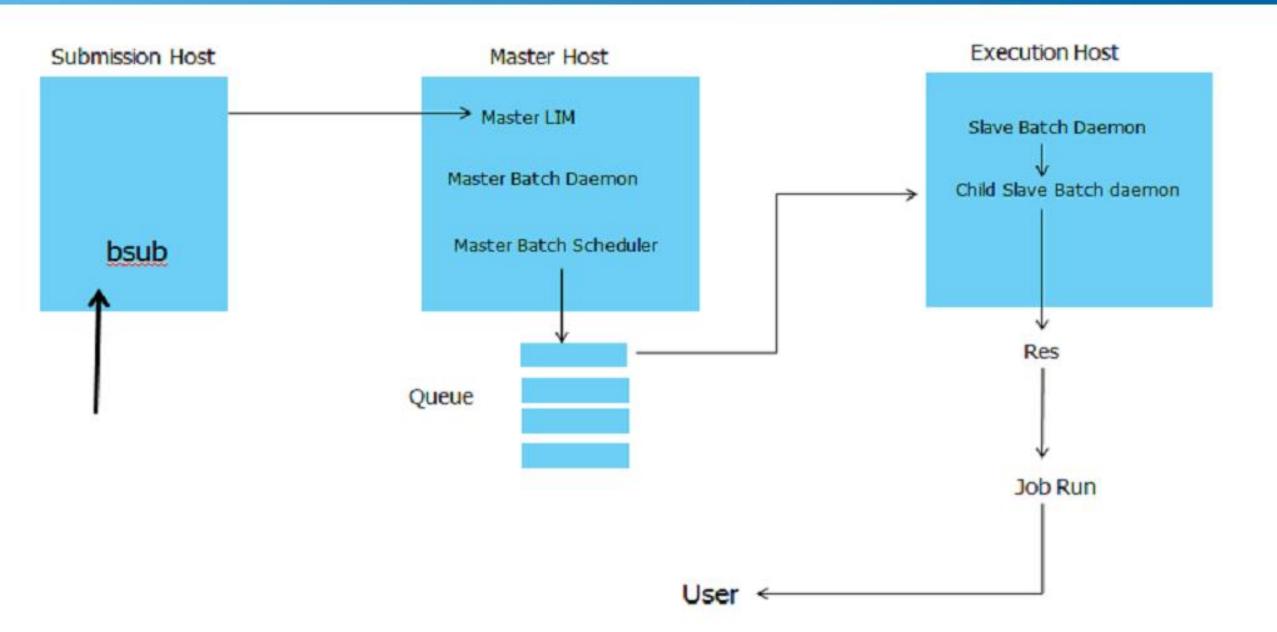
- Process Information Manager (PIM) running on each server host.
- Started by LIM, which periodically checks on pim and restarts it if it dies.
- Collects information about job processes running on the host such as CPU and memory that is used by the job, and reports
 the information to **sbatchd**.

LSF Jobs Work Flow



- Submit a job. You submit a job from an LSF client or server with the bsub command. If you do not specify a queue when you submit the job, the job is submitted to the default queue. Jobs are held in a queue and wait to be scheduled. These jobs are in the PEND state.
- 2. Schedule job. The master batch daemon (mbatchd) looks at jobs in the queue and sends the jobs for scheduling to the master batch scheduler (mbschd) at a preset time interval. mbschd evaluates jobs and makes schedulig decisions that are based on job priority, scheduling policies, and available resources. mbschd selects the best hosts where the job can run and sends its decisions back to mbatchd. Resource information is collected at preset time intervals by the master load information manager (LIM) daemon from LIMs on server hosts. The master LIM communicates this information to mbatchd, which in turn communicates it to mbschd to support scheduling decisions.
- Dispatch the job. As soon as mbatchd receives scheduling decisions, it immediately dispatches the jobs to hosts.
- Run job. The slave batch daemon (sbatchd):
 - a. Receives the request from mbatchd
 - b. Creates a child sbatchd for the job
 - c. Creates the execution environment
 - d. Starts the job by using a remote execution server (res).
- Return output. When a job is completed, it is assigned the DONE status if the job completed without any problems. The job is assigned the EXIT status if errors prevented the job from completing. sbatchd communicates job information, including errors and output to mbatchd.
- Send email to client. mbatchd returns the job output, job error, and job information to the submission host through email.

LSF Daemons process flow



LSF Startup

```
[root@masterlsf ~]# lsfstartup
Starting up all LIMs ...
Do you really want to start up LIM on all hosts ? [y/n]y
Start up LIM on <masterlsf> ..... done
Start up LIM on <slavelsf> ..... done
Start up LIM on <node1> ..... done
Start up LIM on <node2> ..... done
Waiting for Master LIM to start up ... Master LIM is ok
Starting up all RESes ...
Do you really want to start up RES on all hosts ? [y/n]y
Start up RES on <masterlsf> ..... done
Start up RES on <slavelsf> ..... done rsh: No such file or directory
Start up RES on <node1> ..... done
Start up RES on <node2> ..... done
Starting all slave daemons on LSBATCH hosts ...
Do you really want to start up slave batch daemon on all hosts ? [y/n] y
Start up slave batch daemon on <masterlsf> ..... done
Start up slave batch daemon on <slavelsf> ..... done
Start up slave batch daemon on <node1> ..... done
Start up slave batch daemon on <node2> ..... done
Done starting up LSF daemons on the local LSF cluster ...
```

LSF Shutdown

```
[root@master]sf ~]# lsfshutdown
shutting down all slave batch daemons ...
Shut down slave batch daemon on all the hosts? [y/n] y
Shut down slave batch daemon on <master1sf> ..... done
Shut down slave batch daemon on <node1> ..... done
Shut down slave batch daemon on <node2> ..... done
Shut down slave batch daemon on <slavelsf> ..... done
Shutting down all RESes ...
Do you really want to shut down RES on all hosts? [y/n] y
Shut down RES on <master1sf> ..... done
Shut down RES on <slavelsf> ..... done
Shut down RES on <node1> .... done
Shut down RES on <node2> ..... done
Shutting down all LIMs ...
Do you really want to shut down LIMs on all hosts? [y/n] y
Shut down LIM on <masterlsf> ..... done
Shut down LIM on <slavelsf> ..... done
Shut down LIM on <node1> ..... done
Shut down LIM on <node2> ..... done
[root@master]sf ~]#
```

LSF Jobs

LSF Job

Job

A unit of work run in the LSF system. A job is a command submitted to LSF for execution. LSF schedules, controls, and tracks the job according to configured policies.

Jobs can be complex problems, simulation scenarios, extensive calculations, anything that needs compute power.

Job slot

A job slot is a bucket into which a single unit of work is assigned in the LSF system. Hosts are configured to have a number of job slots available and queues dispatch jobs to fill job slots.

Job states

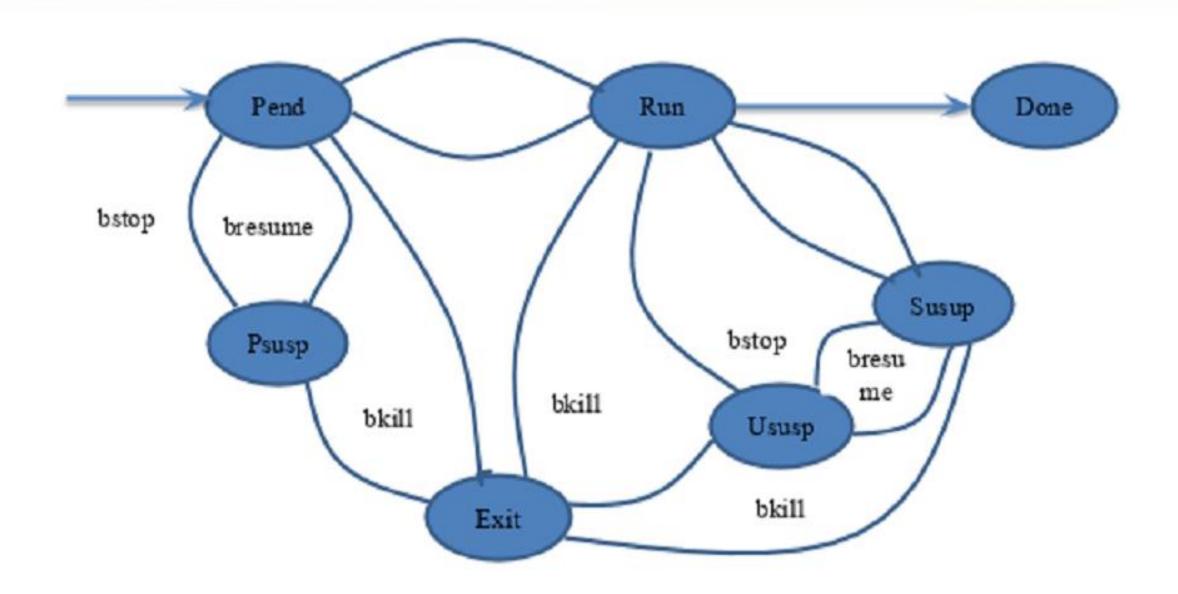
LSF jobs have the following states:

- PEND Waiting in a queue for scheduling and dispatch
- RUN Dispatched to a host and running
- DONE Finished normally with zero exit value
- EXIT Finished with non-zero exit value
- PSUSP Suspended while pending
- USUSP Suspended by user
- SSUSP Suspended by the LSF system
- POST_DONE Post-processing completed without errors
- POST_ERR Post-processing completed with errors
- WAIT Members of a chunk job that are waiting to run

Configuration

Define job slot limits in lsb.resources.

LSF Batch Job state



Parallel Job process

When LSF starts running a job LSF assigns a node list to a variable LSB_HOSTS. The first node from the list will be controlling the jobs running on all of the hosts.

Parallel Job Submission

LSF can select more than one slot for the execution of the job. For parallel job more than one slot is required for execution of job.

- Steps
 - To submit a parallel job use bsub –n option where "n" is the number of threads you want to run.

```
# bsub -n 16 -o result.out -e result.err /opt/software/openmpi1.6/bin/mpirun ./xhpl
```

Specify a minimum and maximum number of processors

We can specify the minimum and maximum number of processor while submitting a job.

Syntax:

```
# bsub -n min_proc , max proc
# bsub -n 4,16 myjob
```

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
                       QUEUE
        USER
                                                                        SUBMIT_TIME
JOBID
                STAT
                                   FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
                                                            JOB_NAME
                                                            *un ./xhpl Jan 20 11:26
                                  master1sf
                                               node1
1459
                       long
        testuse RUN
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                                node2
```

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bsub -n 2,4 -q long sleep 100
Job <1460> is submitted to queue <long>.
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
                STAT
                      QUEUE
        USER
                                  FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
                                                           JOB_NAME
                                                                       SUBMIT_TIME
JOBID
                                  master1sf
                                                            *un ./xhpl Jan 20 11:26
1459
                       long
                                               node1
        testuse RUN
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node1
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
                                               node2
        testuse RUN
                                  masterlsf
                      long
                                                           sleep 100
1460
                                               node1
                                                                      Jan 20 11:27
                                               node1
                                               node2
                                               node2
```

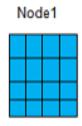
Distribute Processor allocation across hosts
 Sometimes you need to distribute the work across the hosts.

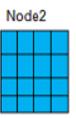
Syntax

The span string supports the following syntax:

Span[hosts=1] [All the processors from same]

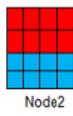
Span[ptile=8] [The job has requested 8 processors on available host]





bsub -n 16 -q long -R span[ptile=8] ./myjob





Job Submission Script

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ cat job1
#!/bin/bash
#BSUB -o outfile
                        [ Appends the standard output of file specify a outfile name ]
#BSUB -e errorfile
                        [ specify a error file name ]
                        [ specify a queue name ]
#BSUB -q long
#BSUB -n 8
                        [ specify a number of threads ]
                        [ specify a Job Priority ]
#BSUB -sp 3
#BSUB -J test1
                        [ specify a Job name]
                        [ Run Limit of a Job ]
#BSUB -W 5
#BSUB -R "span[ptile=4]" [ use 4 cpu's on every node ]
/opt/software/openmpi1.6/bin/mpirun ./xhpl
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bsub < job1
   [testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
  JOBID
            USER
                       STAT
                              QUEUE
                                             FROM_HOST
                                                             EXEC_HOST
                                                                            JOB_NAME
                                                                                          SUBMIT_TIME
  1805
            testuse RUN
                               long
                                             master1sf
                                                            node1
                                                                                           Jan 22 13:02
                                                                            test1
                                                            node1
                                                            node1
                                                            node1
                                                            node2
                                                            node2
                                                            node2
                                                             node2
```

Example: Matlab Job Submission

```
#!/bin/bash
#BSUB -J MySharedMatlab
                             [ Job Name ]
#BSUB -q long
                             [ long
#BSUB -R "rusage[mem=2GB]" [ Resource Memory ]
                             [ Notify when execution begins ]
#BSUB -B
#BSUB -N
                             [ Notify when execution ends ]
#BSUB -u
                             [ specify your email address if it is not default ]
#BSUB -o Output.txt
                             [ Out file name ]
#BSUB -e Error.txt
                             [ Error file name ]
#BSUB -cwd /home/user
                             [ Specify the current working directory for out file if required ]
#BSUB -W 04:00
                             [ Wall clock time for execution ]
#BSUB -n 4
                             [ Number of processors requested ]
#BSUB -R "span[hosts=1]"
                             [ specify the processor distribution ]
```

```
matlab -nodisplay -r my_shared_matlab -logfile MySharedMatlabOut
```

Example: WRF Submission script

```
#!/bin/bash
#BSUB -J wrftest
                              # job name
                             # wall-clock time (hrs:mins)
#BSUB -W 01:00
                             # number of tasks in job
#BSUB -n 64
#BSUB -R "span[ptile=16]"
                             # run 16 MPI tasks per node
#BSUB -q normal
                             # queue
                             # error file name in which %J is replaced by the job ID
#BSUB -e mpi.error.%J
#BSUB -o mpi.output.%J
                             # output file name in which %J is replaced by the job ID
                              # Exclusive execution mode. The job is running exclusively on a host
#BSUB -x
rm -f hostfile
cat $LSB_DJOB_HOSTFILE > hostfile
export SAVE_ALL_TASKS=no
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/gpfs1/home/Libs/INTEL/DAPL/dapl-2.1.10/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
ulimit -c unlimited
export I_MPI_HYDRA_BOOTSTRAP=ssh
export I_MPI_DEBUG=5
export I_MPI_DAPL_PROVIDER=ofa-v2-mlx4_0-1u
export I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:dapl
export DAPL_UCM_REP_TIME=2000
export DAPL_UCM_RTU_TIME=2000
export DAPL_UCM_CQ_SIZE=2000
export DAPL_UCM_QP_SIZE=2000
export DAPL_UCM_RETRY=7
export DAPL_ACK_RETRY=7
export DAPL_ACK_TIMER=20
export I_MPI_DAPL_UD=enable
export I_MPI_DAPL_UD_DIRECT_COPY_THRESHOLD=2097152
export I_MPI_FALLBACK=0
export FORT_BUFFERED=yes
/usr/bin/time -p mpiexec.hydra -f ./hostfile -perhost 16 -np 64 -genvall $EXECUTABLE_NAME
```

LSF BSUB Exclusive Feature

#BSUB –x [Exclusively submits job on the node]

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
JOBID
        USER
                STAT
                      QUEUE
                                 FROM_HOST
                                             EXEC HOST
                                                          JOB_NAME
                                                                     SUBMIT_TIME
1824
        testuse RUN
                      lona
                                 master1sf
                                             node1
                                                                     Jan 23 12:23
                                                          test1
                                             node1
                                             node1
                                             node1
                                 masterlsf
1827
                      long
                                             node2
                                                                     Jan 23 12:26
        testuse RUN
                                                          test1
                                             node2
                                             node2
                                             node2
                                 master1sf
1828
        testuse PEND
                      long
                                                          test1
                                                                     Jan 23 12:26
                                 master1sf
                                                                     Jan 23 12:26
1829
                      lona
                                                          test1
        testuse PEND
[root@masterlsf configdir]# bjobs -p 1828
                STAT QUEUE FROM_HOST
        USER
JOBID
                                              EXEC_HOST
                                                          JOB_NAME
                                                                     SUBMIT_TIME
       testuse PEND long
                                 masterlsf
                                                          test1
                                                                     Jan 23 12:26
 Job's requirement for exclusive execution not satisfied: 1 host;
 Job slot limit reached: 1 host;
Not specified in job submission: 1 host;
Load information unavailable: 1 host;
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

LSF BSUB Options

```
#!/bin/bash
#BSUB -o outfile
                                                      [ Appends the standard output of file specify a outfile name ]
#BSUB -e errorfile
                                                      [ specify a error file name ]
#BSUB -q long
                                                      [ specify a queue name ]
                                                      [ specify a number of threads ]
#BSUB -n 8
#BSUB -sp 3
                                                      [ specify a Job Priority ]
#BSUB -J test1
                                                      [ specify a Job name]
#BSUB -W 5
                                                      [ Run Limit set to 5 Minutes ]
#BSUB -R "span[ptile=4]"
                                                      [ use 4 cpu's on every node ]
#BSUB -R " rusage [mem=20, license=1:duration=2]"
                                                      [ License resource requested for 2 minutes ]
#BSUB -c 10
                                                      [ CPU LIMIT Set to 10 mins ]
                                                      [ Sets per-process (soft) data segment size ]
#BSUB -D 1024
#BSUB -F 1024
                                                      Sets a per-process (soft) file size limit for each of the processes
#BSUB -M 1024
                                                      [ Memory Limit ]
```

LSF BSUB Options Examples

```
[testuser1@master1sf ~]$ bsub -c 1 sleep 70
Job <1955> is submitted to default queue <normal>.
CPULIMIT
1.0 min of node1
Wed Jan 23 18:40:14: Started 1 Task(s) on Host(s) <node1>, Allocated 1 Slot(s)
bsub -D 1024 sleep 70
DATALIMIT
     1 G
Wed Jan 23 18:46:15: Started 1 Task(s) on Host(s) <node1>, Allocated 1 Slot(s)
bsub -F 1024 sleep 70
FILELIMIT
  1024 K
Wed Jan 23 18:56:25: Started 1 Task(s) on Host(s) <node1>, Allocated 1 Slot(s)
bsub -M 1024 sleep 70
MEMLIMIT
     1 G
Wed Jan 23 19:07:17: Started 1 Task(s) on Host(s) <node1>, Allocated 1 Slot(s)
```

Isid

```
[root@node1 ~]# lsid
IBM Platform LSF Express 9.1.3.0 for IBM Platform HPC, Jul 04 2014
Copyright IBM Corp. 1992, 2014. All rights reserved.
US Government Users Restricted Rights - Use, duplication or disclosure restricted by GSA ADP Schedule Contract with IBM Corp.
My cluster name is cluster1
My master name is master1sf
```

bqueues

[testuser1@mast	erlsf	~]\$ bqueues								
QUEUE_NAME	PRIO	STATUS	MAX	JL/U	JL/P	JL/H	NJOBS	PEND	RUN	SUSP
owners	43	Open:Active	-	_	-	_	0	0	0	0
priority	43	Open:Active	-	-	_	-	0	0	0	0
night	40	Open:Active	_	-	_	_	0	0	0	0
chkpnt_rerun_qu	40	Open:Active	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
medium	40	Open:Active	_	-	_	-	0	0	0	0
short	35	open:Active	_	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
license	33	Open:Active	_	-	_	-	0	0	0	0
normal	30	Open:Active	_	-	_	_	16	0	16	0
interactive	30	Open:Active	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
small	30	open:Active	_	_	_	_	0	0	0	0
idle	20	Open:Active	_	-	_	_	0	0	0	0
[testuser1@mast	erlsf	~] \$								

bhosts [Display Static and Dynamic resource Information]

```
[root@master1sf conf]# bhosts
HOST_NAME
                                     JL/U
                                                                                        RSV
                                               MAX
                                                    NJOBS
                                                               RUN
                                                                     SSUSP
                                                                             USUSP
                      STATUS
masterlsf
                      ok
                                                         0
                                                                 0
                                                                          0
node1
                      ok
                                                 8
                                                         0
                                                                 0
                                                                          0
                                                                                  0
                                                                                          0
node2
                                                 8
                                                         0
                                                                                  0
                                                                                          0
                      ok
                                                                 0
                                                                          0
slavelsf
                                                         0
                                                                 0
                                                                                  0
                                                                                          0
```

Ishosts [Displays static resource information]

```
[testuser1@master]sf ~]$ lshosts
HOST_NAME
                        model
                                cpuf ncpus
                                           maxmem maxswp server
                                                                  RESOURCES
                type
master 1sf
             X86_64 Intel_EM
                                60.0
                                            15.9G
                                                     7.8G
                                                                   (mg)
                                                              Yes
slavelsf
             X86_64 Intel_EM
                                            15.9G
                                                     7.9G
                                                                   (mg)
                                60.0
                                                              Yes
             X86_64 Intel_EM
                                                     7.9G
node1
                                60.0
                                            15.9G
                                                              Yes
             X86_64 Intel_EM
                                                     7.9G
                                             15.9G
node2
                                60.0
                                                              Yes
```

Isload [Display load Information]

```
Isload
                           r155
                                   r1m
                                        r15m
                                                            15
                                                                   it
HOST_NAME
                  status
                                                 ut
                                                       pg
                                                                         tmp
                                                                                SWP
                                                                                      mem
                                                      0.0
master 1sf
                      ok
                            0.0
                                   0.0
                                          0.0
                                                 0%
                                                                         17G
                                                                              7.8G
                                                                                      15G
slavelsf
                      ok
                            0.0
                                   0.0
                                          0.0
                                                 0%
                                                      0.0
                                                                1338
                                                                         51G
                                                                              7.9G 15.2G
node1
                      ok
                            3.9
                                                28%
                                                      0.0
                                                                 1183
                                                                         39G
                                                                              7.9G 14.7G
                      ok
                            4.3
node2
                                          0.7
                                                25%
                                                      0.0
                                                                   19
                                                                         50G
                                                                              7.9G 14.7G
[testuser1@master]sf ~]$
```

bparams [Display the cluster parameters]

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$bparams
Default Queues: dispatch
Default Host Specification: masterlsf
MBD_SLEEP_TIME used for calculations: 20 seconds
Job Checking Interval: 15 seconds
Job Accepting Interval: 0 seconds
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$
```

bhosts [Display Host Information]

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# bhosts
HOST_NAME
                    STATUS
                                           MAX
                                                NJOBS
                                                          RUN
                                                                SSUSP
                                                                       USUSP
                                                                                 RSV
master1sf
                    ok
                                                            0
                                                     0
                                                                            0
                                                                            O
node1
                    closed
                                                            0
node2
                                                     0
                                                                    0
                                                                            0
                                                                                   0
                    ok
slavelsf
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

bhosts –I [Display the long information]

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# bhosts -1 node1
HOST node1
STATUS
                        JL/U
                                 MAX NJOBS
                  CPUF
                                                RUN
                                                     SSUSP
                                                             USUSP
                                                                       RSV DISPATCH_WINDOW
closed_Full
                 60.00
                                   8
                                           8
                                                  8
                                                          0
                                                                         0
 CURRENT LOAD USED FOR SCHEDULING:
                             r15m
                                            o.o
                                                         15
                 r15s
                        r1m
                                      ut
                                                   10
                                                               it
                                                                    tmp
                                                                           SWD
                                                                                 mem
                                                                                      slots
                                                             1160
                                                   62
                                                                     39Ġ
                                                                          7.9G 14.3G
                  0.9
                        0.1
                               0.0
                                     60%
                                                         O
 Total
 Reserved
                  0.0
                        0.0
                               0.0
                                      0%
                                            0.0
                                                    0
                                                          O
                                                                O
                                                                      OM
                                                                            OM
                                                                                  OM
 LOAD THRESHOLD USED FOR SCHEDULING:
                   r1m r15m
           r15s
                                                    15
                                        pg
                                               10
                                                                 tmp
                                                                         SWD
                                                                                mem
 loadsched
 loadStop
```

[root@masterlsf configdir]#

bjobs -u all [show jobs for all users]

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
                      QUEUE
JOBID
        USER
                 STAT
                                   FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
                                                            JOB_NAME
                                                                        SUBMIT_TIME
374
        testuse RUN
                       small
                                  masterlsf
                                               node1
                                                            sleep 50
                                                                        Jan 18 17:45
375
                       small
                                   masterlsf
                                               node1
                                                            sleep 50
                                                                        Jan 18 17:46
        testuse RUN
776
        tactuca BUN
                                               madet
```

bjobs –p [show job pending reasons]

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -p

JOBID USER STAT QUEUE FROM_HOST EXEC_HOST JOB_NAME SUBMIT_TIME

1483 testuse PEND long masterlsf *un ./xhpl Jan 20 11:56

Not enough hosts to meet the job's spanning requirement;

[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$
```

bjobs –u all –m node1 [Check if "node1" is a part of any job]

```
[root@masterlsf conf]# bjobs -u all -m node1
                      QUEUE
                                  FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
JOBID
        USER
                 STAT
                                                            JOB_NAME
                                                                       SUBMIT TIME
1899
                                  masterlsf
                                                                       Jan 22 08:16
                       lona
                                               node1
        testuse RUN
                                               node1
```

bjobs -l 1816 [Job information in long format]

bbot

2201				
[testuser1@master1sf JOBID USER STAT 1534 testuse RUN	-]\$ bjobs QUEUE long	FROM_HOST master1sf	EXEC_HOST node2 node2 node1	JOB_NAME SUBMIT_TIME *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1535 Testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1536 testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1537 testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1538 testuse PEND 1539 testuse PEND	long	masterlsf masterlsf	node1	*un ./xhp] Jan 20 16:23 *un ./xhp] Jan 20 16:23
[testuser1@master1sf Job <1538> has been m [testuser1@master1sf	loved to pos		bottom.	
JOBID USER STAT 1534 testuse RUN	long	FROM_HOST master1sf	node2 node2 node1	JOB_NAME SUBMIT_TIME *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1535 testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1536 testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1537 testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node2 node2 node1	*un ./xhpl jan 20 16:23
1539 testuse PEND 1540 testuse PEND 1541 testuse PEND 1542 testuse PEND 1543 testuse PEND 1538 testuse PEND	long long long long long	masterlsf masterlsf masterlsf masterlsf masterlsf	node1	*un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23 *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23

testuse PEND

long

btop

```
[testuser1@master1sf ~] $ btop 1538
Job <1538> has been moved to position 1 from top.
[testuser1@master1sf ~]$ bjobs
JOBID
        USER
                 STAT
                       QUEUE
                                   FROM_HOST
                                                EXEC_HOST
                                                             JOB_NAME
                                                                        SUBMIT_TIME
                                   master 1sf
                                                node2
1534
        testuse RUN
                       long
                                                             *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
                                                node2
                                                node1
                                                node1
1535
                                   master1sf
                                                node2
                                                             *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
        testuse RUN
                       long
                                                node2
                                                node1
                                                node1
                                   master 1sf
                                                             *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1536
                       long
                                                node2
        testuse RUN
                                                node2
                                                node1
                                                node1
                                   master1sf
                                                node2
                                                             *un ./xhpl Jan 20 16:23
1537
                       long
        testuse RUN
                                                node2
                                                node1
                                                node1
1538
                                   master 1sf
                                                                        Jan 20 16:23
        testuse PEND
                       long
1539
                                   master 1sf
```

Jan

breque

[testuse	er1@mast∈	erlsf ~	-]\$ bjobs				
JOBID	USER	STAT	QUEUE	FROM_HOST	EXEC_HOST	JOB_NAME	SUBMIT_TIME
1544	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhp1	Jan 20 16:26
1545	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1546	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1547	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1548 1549	testuse		long	masterlsf		wun ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1550	testuse testuse		long long	master1sf master1sf		*un ./xhpl *un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26
1551 1552	testuse testuse		long long	masterlsf masterlsf		*un ./xhpl *un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26

[testuser1@master1sf ~]\$ brequeue 1544 Job <1544> is being requeued

[testus JOBID 1545	er1@masterlsf USER STAT testuse RUN	~]\$ bjobs QUEUE long	FROM_HOST master1sf	EXEC_HOST node2 node2	JOB_NAME *un ./xhpl	SUBMIT_TIME Jan 20 16:26
1546	testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	node1 node1 node2 node2	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1547	testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	nodel nodel node2 node2	∾un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1548	testuse RUN	long	masterlsf	nodel nodel nodel nodel	°un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1549 1550	testuse PEND testuse PEND	long long	master1sf master1sf	node2 node2	*un ./xhpl *un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26
1551 1552 1544	testuse PEND testuse PEND testuse PEND	long long long	masterlsf masterlsf masterlsf		*un ./xhp1 *un ./xhp1 *un ./xhp1	Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26

bmod	

[testus	erl@maste	STAT	~]\$ bjobs QUEUE	FROM_HOST	EXEC_HOST	JOB_NAME	SUBMIT_TIME
1545	testuse	RUN	Tong	masterlsf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1546	testuse	RUN	long	master1sf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1547	testuse	RUN	long	master1sf	node2 node2 node1 node1	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1548	testuse	RUN	long	master1sf	node1 node1 node2 node2	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1549	testuse	PEND	long	masterlsf		*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1550	testuse		long	masterlsf		"un ./xhp]	Jan 20 16:26
1551	testuse		long	masterlsf		*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1552	testuse		long	masterlsf		*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1544	testuse	PEND	long	masterlsf		*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26

[testus Paramet	serl@maste	ob <15	~]\$ bmod -	<mark>g medium 1552</mark> ing changed			
1548	USER Testuse	STAT	QUEUE	FROM_HOST masterlsf	EXEC_HOST node1 node1 node2	JOB_NAME *un ./xhpl	SUBMIT_TIME Jan 20 16:26
1549	testuse	RUN	long	master1sf	node2 node1 node1 node2	™un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1550	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node1 node1 node2	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1551	testuse	RUN	long	masterlsf	node2 node1 node1 node2	*un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26
1544 1552 [testus	testuse testuse ser1@maste	PEND	long medium ~]\$	master1sf master1sf	node2	*un ./xhpl *un ./xhpl	Jan 20 16:26 Jan 20 16:26

bmod -cwd /opt/software 1949 [Change of Working Directory]

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -1 1949
Job <1949>, Job Name <test1>, User <testuser1>, Project <default>, Status <PEND
                      >, Queué <long>, Job Priority <2>, Command <#!/bin/bash; #BSUB -o outfile1; #BSUB -e errorfile1; #BSUB -q long; #BSUB
                       -n 4 ;#BSUB -J test1;#BSUB -sp 2 ;##BSUB -x ;#BSUB -W 2 ;
                      #BSUB -R "span[ptile=2]"; /opt/
                      software/openmpi1.6/bin/mpirun ./xhpl>
wed Jan 23 14:27:34: Submitted from host <masterlsf>, CWD <$HOME>, Output File
                      <outfile1>, Error File <errorfile1>, Re-runnable, 4 Task(s
                      ), Requested Resources <span[ptile=2]>, User Priority <2>;
[testuser1@master1sf ~]$ bmod -cwd /opt/software 1949
Parameters of job <1949> are being changed
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -1 1949
Job <1949>, Job Name <test1>, User <testuser1>, Project <default>, Status <PEND
                      >, Queue <long>, Job Priority <2>, Command <#!/bin/bash;
                      #BSUB -o outfile1; #BSUB -e errorfile1; #BSUB -q long ; #BSUB
                       -n 4 ;#BSUB -J test1;#BSUB -sp 2 ;##BSUB -x ;#BSUB -W 2 ;
                      ###BSUB -cwd /opt/software; #BSUB -R "span[ptile=2]"; /opt/
                      software/openmpi1.6/bin/mpirun ./xhpl>
Wed Jan 23 14:27:34: Submitted from host <masterlsf>, CWD <$HOME>, Specified CW
                      D </opt/software>, Output File <outfile1>, Error File <err
                      orfile1>, Re-runnable, 4 Task(s), Requested Resources <spa
                      n[ptile=2]>, User Priority <2>;
```

LSF User Commands Examples

Job running in medium queue

```
[testuser1@master]sf ~]$ bswitch bjobs -u all
JOBID
        USER
                 STAT
                       OUEUE
                                  FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
                                                            JOB_NAME
                                                                       SUBMIT_TIME
751
                       medium
                                  master1sf
                                               node1
        testuse RUN
                                                            sleep 100
                                                                       Jan 18 19:53
752
                       medium
                                  master1sf
                                               node1
                                                            sleep 100
                                                                       Jan 18 19:53
        testuse RUN
```

Job Switch from medium queue to small queue

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~] $ bswitch -q medium small 0
Job <751> is switched to queue <small>
Job <752> is switched to queue <small>
[testuser1@masterlsf ~] $ bswitch -q medium small Ojobs -u all
JOBID
        USER
                      QUEUE
                                  FROM_HOST
                                               EXEC_HOST
                STAT
                                                           JOB_NAME
                                                                       SUBMIT_TIME
751
        testuse RUN
                       small
                                  masterlsf
                                               node1
                                                           sleep 100
                                                                     Jan 18 19:53
752
                                  masterlsf
                                               node1
                                                           sleep 100
        testuse RUN
                       small
                                                                       Jan 18 19:53
```

Job History

```
[testuser1@master1sf ~]$ bhist -1 751|
Job <751>, User <testuser1>, Project <default>, Command <sleep 100>
Fri Jan 18 19:53:15: Submitted from host ≺masterlsf≻, to Queue ≺medium≻, CWD ≺$
                     HOME≻, Re-runnable;
Fri Jan 18 19:53:16: Dispatched 1 Task(s) on Host(s) <nodel>, Allocated 1 Slot(
                     s) on Host(s) <nodel>, Effective RES_REQ <select[type == 1</p>
                     ocal] order[r15s:pg] >:
Fri Jan 18 19:53:16: Starting (Pid 5420)
Fri Jan 18 19:53:16: Running with execution home </home/testuser1>, Execution C
                     WD </home/testuser1>, Execution Pid <5420>;
Fri Jan 18 19:53:40: Switched to Queue <small> by user or administrator <testus
                     er1>:
Fri Jan 18 19:54:56: Done successfully. The CPU time used is 0.2 seconds;
Fri Jan 18 19:54:56: Post job process done successfully;
MEMORY USAGE:
MAX MEM: 1 Mbytes; AVG MEM: 1 Mbytes
Summary of time in seconds spent in various states by
                                                        Fri Jan 18 19:54:56
  PEND
           PSUSP
                    RUN
                             USUSP
                                       SSUSP
                                                UNKWN
                                                         TOTAL
  1
           O
                    100
                              O
                                                O
                                                         101
```

LSF Jobs Exit Values

- LSF Job Exit values
 - Exit Value of the jobs can be checked using bhist command.
 - Exit value less than 128 (< 128) is related to Applications
 - Exit value greater than 128 (> 128) means job terminated by system signals.

Example:-

Exit Values	Meaning
255	Job has got exited due to SSH problem
140	The CPU time uses Exceeded
5	SIGTRAP
2	SIGINIT
7	SIGV

LSF Queues

LSF Queues

Queue

A cluster wide bucket for jobs. All jobs wait in queues until they are scheduled and dispatched to hosts. Queues do not correspond to individual hosts; each queue can use all server hosts in the cluster, or a configured subset of the server hosts.

When you submit a job to a queue, you do not need to specify an execution host. LSF dispatches the job to the best available execution host in the cluster to run that job.

Queues implement different job scheduling and control policies.

Queue Configuration

Define queues in lsb.queues

Adding a Queue

Edit the lsb.queues file to add the new queue definition. Adding a queue does not affect pending or running jobs.

Example:- Default queues

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# bqueues
                                       MAX JL/U JL/P JL/H NJOBS
                 PRIO STATUS
                                                                  PEND
QUEUE_NAME
                                                                               SUSP
                                                                          RUN
                      Open:Active
owners
                      Open:Active
priority
night
                  40
                      Open:Inact
                  40
                      Open:Active
chkpnt_rerun_qu
                      Open:Active
short
license
                      Open:Active
                      Open:Active
normal
interactive
                      Open:Active
                  30
idle
                      Open:Active
                  20
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

```
Begin Queue
Queue_NAME = long
DESCRIPTION = For long jobs
RERUNNABLE = YES
PRIORITY = 40
NEW_JOB_SCHED_DELAY = 1
HOSTS = node1 node2
EXCLUSIVE = Y
End Queue
```

Example: Job not switching from queue

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bsub -q medium sleep 200
Job <753> is submitted to queue <medium>.

[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -u all
JOBID USER STAT QUEUE FROM_HOST EXEC_HOST JOB_NAME SUBMIT_TIME
753 testuse RUN medium masterlsf node2 sleep 200 Jan 18 19:57

[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bswitch -q medium small 753
```

small: Host or host group is not used by the queue

The node node2 is not belongs to small queue.

Example: When Accidentally Deleted/Removed a queue

Queue Example

```
Begin Queue
QUEUE_NAME = normal
PRIORITY
            = 30
INTERACTIVE = NO
#RUN_WINDOW = 5:19:00-1:8:30 20:00-8:30
                             # loadSched/loadStop
            = 0.7/2.0
#r1m
#r15m
             = 1.0/2.5
             = 4.0/8
#pg
             = 0.2
#ut
             = 50/240
#io
#CPULIMIT
             = 180/hostA
                              # 3 hours of host hostA
#FILELIMIT
             = 20000
#DATALIMIT
             = 20000
                              # jobs data segment limit
#CORELIMIT
             = 20000
#TASKLIMIT
                              # job task limit
             = 5
             = all
#USERS
                              # users who can submit jobs to this queue
             = all
                              # hosts on which jobs in this queue can run
#HOSTS
             = /usr/local/lsf/misc/testq_pre >> /tmp/pre.out
#PRE EXEC
#POST EXEC
             = /usr/local/lsf/misc/testq_post |grep -v "Hey"
#REQUEUE EXIT VALUES = 55 34 78
#APS_PRIORITY = WEIGHT[[RSRC, 10.0] [MEM, 20.0] [PROC, 2.5] [QPRIORITY, 2.0]] \
    LIMIT[[RSRC, 3.5] [QPRIORITY, 5.5]] \
    GRACE_PERIOD[[QPRIORITY, 200s] [MEM, 10m] [PROC, 2h]]
DESCRIPTION = For normal low priority jobs, running only if hosts are \
lightly loaded.
End Queue
```

bqueues -I small [also displays the comment text:]

```
[root@masterlsf software]# bqueues -1 small
QUEUE: small
 -- For small jobs
PARAMETERS/STATISTICS
PRIO NICE STATUS
                        MAX JL/U JL/P JL/H NJOBS PEND
                                                       RUN SSUSP USUSP
                                                                       RSV
schedule delay for a new job is 1 seconds
Interval for a host to accept two jobs is 0 seconds
SCHEDULING PARAMETERS
          r15s r1m r15m
                                   pg
                                                         tmp
                                                               SWP
                                                                      mem
 loadSched -
 loadStop
SCHEDULING POLICIES: EXCLUSIVE
USERS: all
HOSTS: node1
RERUNNABLE : yes
ADMIN ACTION COMMENT: "testing"
[root@masterlsf software]#
```

LSF Hosts

LSF Hosts

Hosts

A host is an individual computer in the cluster. Each host may have more than 1 processor. Multiprocessor hosts are used to run parallel jobs. A multiprocessor host with a single process queue is considered a single machine, while a box full of processors that each have their own process queue is treated as a group of separate machines.

Submission host

The host where jobs are submitted to the cluster. Jobs are submitted using the **bsub** command or from an application that uses the LSF API. Client hosts and server hosts can act as submission hosts.

Execution host

The host where a job runs. Can be the same as the submission host. All execution hosts are server hosts.

Server host

Hosts that are capable of submitting and executing jobs. A server host runs sbatchd to execute server requests and apply local policies.

LSF Hosts Continued

Client host / Login Node / Submission Node

Hosts that are only capable of submitting jobs to the cluster. Client hosts run LSF commands and act only as submission hosts. Client hosts do not execute jobs or run LSF daemons

Master host

Where the master LIM and **mbatchd** run. An LSF server host that acts as the overall coordinator for that cluster. Each cluster has one master host to do all job scheduling and dispatch. If the master host goes down, another LSF server in the cluster becomes the master host.

All LSF daemons run on the master host. The LIM on the master host is the master LIM.

LSF Hosts Continued

Hosts are Opened and Closed by:

Close a host

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# badmin hclose -C "disk problem" node1
close <node1> ..... done
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# bhosts
HOST_NAME
                    STĀTUS
                                           MAX
                                                               SSUSP
                                                NJOBS
                                                          RUN
                                                                       USUSP
                                                                                 R5V
master1sf
                    ok
                    closed
                                                                    0
node1
                                                            0
                                                                    0
node2
                    ok
                                                     0
slavelsf
                    ok
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

Open a host

```
[root@masterlsf configdir]# badmin hopen node1
Open <node1> ..... done
```

LSF Hosts Continued

Use badmin hhist to display administrator comments for closing and opening hosts:

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs -p
No pending job found
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$
[root@masterlsf configdir]# badmin hhist node1
Fri Jan 18 18:53:49: Host <node1> closed by administrator <root> memory problem.
Fri Jan 18 18:59:05: Host <node1> opened by administrator <root>.
Sun Jan 20 11:54:36: Host <node1> closed by administrator <root>.
Sun Jan 20 11:54:43: Host <node1> opened by administrator <root>.
Sun Jan 20 11:55:02: Host <node1> opened by administrator <root>.
Sun Jan 20 11:59:17: Host <node1> opened by administrator <root> disk problem.
Sun Jan 20 11:59:17: Host <node1> opened by administrator <root>.
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

bhosts -I node1 also displays the comment text

```
[root@master]sf configdir]# bhosts -1 node1
HOST node1
STATUS
                       JL/U
                 CPUF
                                MAX NJOBS
                                                                     RSV DISPATCH_WINDOW
closed_Full
                60.00
                                         8
                                                        0
CURRENT LOAD USED FOR SCHEDULING:
                r15s
                        r1m r15m
                                          o.o
                                                       15
                                                             it
                                                                                    slots
                                     ut
                                                                   tmp
                                                                         SWP
Total
                                    60%
                                                  62
                                                        0
                                                           1160
                                                                   39G
                                                                       7.9G 14.3G
                 0.9
                        0.1
                              0.0
 Reserved
 LOAD THRESHOLD USED FOR SCHEDULING:
                  r1m r15m
                                                   15
           r15s
                                              10
                                                                       SWP
                                       pg
                                                               tmp
                                                                              mem
 loadsched
 loadStop
[root@masterlsf configdir]#
```

LSF Interactive Batch Job & Tasks

Interactive batch job

A batch job that allows you to interact with the application and still take advantage of LSF scheduling policies and fault tolerance. All input and output are through the terminal that you used to type the job submission command.

When you submit an interactive job, a message is displayed while the job is awaiting scheduling. A new job cannot be submitted until the interactive job is completed or terminated.

The **bsub** command stops display of output from the shell until the job completes, and no mail is sent to you by default. Use Ctrl-C at any time to terminate the job.

- Commands
- bsub -I Submit an interactive job

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ bjobs

JOBID USER STAT QUEUE FROM_HOST EXEC_HOST JOB_NAME SUBMIT_TIME

1486 testuse RUN interactiv masterlsf node2 * 8 ./xhpl Jan 20 12:03

[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$
```

Interactive task

A command that is not submitted to a batch queue and scheduled by LSF, but is dispatched immediately. LSF locates the resources needed by the task and chooses the best host among the candidate hosts that has the required resources and is lightly loaded. Each command can be a single process, or it can be a group of cooperating processes.

Tasks are run without using the batch processing features of LSF but still with the advantage of resource requirements and selection of the best host to run the task based on load.

- Commands
- Isrun Submit an interactive task

LSF Interactive Batch Job & Tasks

```
[testuser1@masterlsf ~]$ lsrun -m node1 /opt/software/openmpi1.6/bin/mpirun -n 8 ./xhpl
HPLinpack 2.1 -- High-Performance Linpack benchmark --
                                                           October 26, 2012
Written by A. Petitet and R. Clint Whaley, Innovative Computing Laboratory, UTK
Modified by Piotr Luszczek, Innovative Computing Laboratory, UTK
Modified by Julien Langou, University of Colorado Denver
An explanation of the input/output parameters follows:
       : Wall time / encoded variant.
T/V
      : The order of the coefficient matrix A.
     : The partitioning blocking factor.
       : The number of process rows.
       : The number of process columns.
Time : Time in seconds to solve the linear system.
Gflops: Rate of execution for solving the linear system.
The following parameter values will be used:
          10000
NB
PMAP
         Row-major process mapping
          Right
PFACT
NBMIN
NDTV
        Right
RFACT
BCAST
          1rina
DEPTH
       : Mix (threshold = 64)
SWAP
       : transposed form
L1
       : transposed form
EQUIL
       : 8 double precision words
ALIGN
```

LSF Host types and host models

Host types

Hosts in LSF are characterized by host type and host model.

The Combination of operating system version and host CPU architect

All computers that run the same operating system on the same computer architecture are of the same type in other words, binary-compatible with each other.

Each host type usually requires a different set of LSF binary files.

Commands: Isinfo -t — View all host types

Host model

The combination of host type and CPU speed (CPU factor) of the computer.

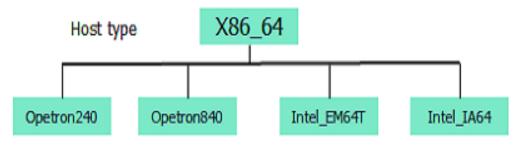
All hosts of the same relative speed are assigned the same host model.

The CPU factor is taken into consideration when jobs are being dispatched.

Commands:

Isinfo -m — View a list of currently running models

Isinfo -M — View all models



Host models

LSF Resources

LSF Resources

Resources

LSF resources are objects in the LSF system resources that LSF uses track job requirements and schedule jobs according to their availability on individual hosts.

Resource usage

The LSF system uses built-in and configured resources to track resources availability and usage. Jobs are scheduled according to the resources available on individual hosts.

LSF Collects information such as:

- Total CPU time consumed by all processes in the job.
- Total resident memory usage in KB of all currently running processes in a job
- Total virtual memory usage in KB of all currently running processes in a job
- Currently active process group ID in a job
- Currently active processes in a job On UNIX, job-level resource usage is collected through PIM.

Commands:

Isinfo: View the resources available in your cluster

bjobs –I: View current resource usage of a job

LSF Resource

Load indices

Load indices measure the availability of dynamic, non-shared resources on hosts in the cluster. Load indices built into the LIM are updated at fixed time intervals

Commands:

Isload –I : View all load indices

bhosts -I View load levels on a host

External load indices

Defined and configured by the LSF administrator and collected by an External Load Information Manager (ELIM) program. The ELIM also updates LIM when new values are received.

Commands:

Isinfo: View external load indices

Static resources

Built-in resources that represent host information that does not change over time, such as the maximum RAM available to user processes or the number of processors in a machine. Most static resources are determined by the LIM at startup.

 Load thresholds Two types of load thresholds can be configured by your LSF administrator to schedule jobs in queues. Each load threshold specifies a load index value:

LSF Resource usage Continued

Commands

bhosts – **l**: View suspending conditions for hosts

bqueues — I: View suspending conditions for queues

bjobs — I: View suspending conditions for a particular job and the scheduling thresholds that control when a job is resumed

Runtime resource usage limits

Limit the use of resources while a job is running. Jobs that consume more than the specified amount of a resource are signaled or have their priority lowered.

Hard and soft limits

Resource limits specified at the queue level are hard limits while those specified with job submission are soft limits.

Resource allocation limits

Restrict the amount of given resource that must be available during job scheduling for different classes of jobs to start, and which resource consumers the limits apply to. If all of the resource has been consumed, no more jobs can be started until some of the resource is released.

Resource requirements (bsub –R)

Restrict which hosts the job can run on. Hosts that match the resource requirements are the candidate hosts. When LSF schedules a job, it collects the load index values of all the candidate hosts and compares them to the scheduling conditions. Jobs are only dispatched to a host if all load values are within the scheduling thresholds.

Commands

bsub -R — Specify resource requirement string for a job

LSF Users

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LSF user

A user account that has permission to submit jobs to the LSF cluster.

LSF administrator

In general, you must be an LSF administrator to perform operations that will affect other LSF users. Each cluster has one primary LSF administrator, specified during LSF installation. You can also configure additional administrators at the cluster level and at the queue level.

Primary LSF administrator

The first cluster administrator specified during installation and first administrator listed in lsf.cluster.cluster_name. The primary LSF administrator account owns the configuration and log files. The primary LSF administrator has permission to perform cluster wide operations, change configuration files, reconfigure the cluster, and control jobs submitted by all users.

Queue administrator

An LSF administrator user account that has administrative permissions limited to a specified queue.

LSF Scheduling

IBM LSF Scheduling and dispatch

- LSF allows mltiple schedulling policies in the same cluster. LSF has several queue scheduling policies such as, preemptive, fairshare, and hierarchical fairshare.
 - First-come, first-served(FCFS) scheduling
 By default, jobs in a queue are dispatched in FCFS order. This means that jobs are dispatched according to their order in the queue.
 - Service level agreement(SLA) scheduling
 - An SLA in LSF is a "just-in-time" scheduling policy that schedules the services agreed to between LSF administrators and LSF users. The SLA scheduling policy defines how many jobs should be run from each SLA to met the configured goals.
 - Fairshare Scheduling
 - If you specify a fairshare scheduling policy for the queue or if host partitions have been configured, LSF dispatches jobs between users based on assigned user shares, resources usage, or other factors.
 - Preemption
 - You can specify desired behavior so that when two or more jobs compete for the same resources, one job preempts the other. Preemption can apply to not only job slots, but also to advance reservation)reserving hosts for particular jobs) and licenses(using IBM Platform License Scheduler).
 - Backfill
 - Allows small jobs to run on job slots reserved for other jobs, provided the backfilling job completes before the reservation time expires and resource usage is due.

IBM LSF Scheduling and dispatch continued

Scheduling and dispatch

Jobs are scheduled in regular intervals (5 seconds by default). Once jobs are scheduled, they can be immediately dispatched to hosts.

To prevent overloading any host, by default LSF waits a short time between dispatching jobs to the same host.

Dispatch Order

Job are not necessarily dispatched in order of submission.

Each queue has a priority number set by the LSF Administrator when the queue is defined. LSF tries to start jobs from the highest priority queue first.

LSF considers jobs for dispatch in the following order:

- For each queue, from highest to lowest priority. If multiple queues have the same priority, LSF schedules all the jobs from these queues in first-come, first-serverd order.
- For each job in the queue, according to FCFS order.
- If any host is eligible to run this job, start the job on the best eligible host, and mark that host ineligible to start any other job until JOB_ACCEPT_INTERVAL has passed.

Thank You