Singapore Overview

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National Supercomputer Centre

Joint A*STAR, NUS, NTU, SUTD and NRF Proposal

❖ National Supercomputing Centre (NSCC)
  ➡ New 1-3+ PetaFLOP Supercomputer
  ➡ Recurrent investment every 3-5 years
  ➡ Co-investment from primary stakeholders

❖ Science, Technology and Research Network (STAR-N)
  ➡ A high bandwidth network to connect the distributed compute resources
  ➡ Provide high speed access to users (both public and private) anywhere
  ➡ Support transfer of large data-sets (both locally and internationally)
  ➡ Build local and international network connectivity

Funding (MTI) and co-funding (A*STAR, NUS, NTU) approved Nov. 2014
Tender open 20th January 2015
Tender Closed 14th April
Facility open to users: October 2015
Some features of NSCC Supercomputer

1. Base system: 1-3 PFLOPS
2. Storage - very large, HSM, Tiered, Tier 3 - tape storage (or very cheap, non-spinning disks)
3. I/O comparable to the best systems around (BlueWaters class)
4. Application Software - National license desirable - ISVs, MATLAB, tools e.g. Allinea, NAG
5. 10 Large memory nodes: 5 nodes of 1TBytes, 4 nodes with 2-4TBytes and one node of 6-8TBytes
6. Workflow pipeline (from sequencer to memory/storage) + interactive access built in
7. **500 Gbps pipeline** between Biopolis and Fusionopolis for genomics workflows
8. InfiniBand connection to all end-points (login nodes) at University campuses
9. Just-in-time resource delivery i.e. *interactive access* for some workloads (genomics)
10. Only ~10% nodes GPU accelerated (for some University users, AI work - deep learning)
11. Warm water cooled
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DISPLAY AREA ON A 100% TRANSPARENT ACRYLIC REAR PROJECTION SCREEN

SIGHT SEEING WINDOW TO THE DATA CENTER

DATA CENTER SIGHT SEEING WINDOW TO SINGAPORE

DOUBLE GLAZED POLARIZED GLASS FOR THERMAL PROTECTION
Mellanox Metro-X testing since early 2013

goal: to connect HPC resources at Fusionopolis with storage and genomics pipeline at Biopolis - Matrix building

Metro-X A*CRC team:
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Tay Teck Wee
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Objective:
To connect all National Supercomputing Centre stakeholders: A*STAR, NUS, NTU and others with 100Gbps + InfiniBand links.
InfiniCortex:
A path to reach Exascale concurrent supercomputing across the globe utilising trans-continental InfiniBand and Galaxy of Supercomputers

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The InfiniCortex Components

1. ACA 100
   Asia Connects America 100 Gbps, by November 2014
   Challenge issued by Yves Poppe at APAN 37 in Budung, Indonesia, 20 Jan 2014

2. InfiniBand over trans-Pacific distance
   Made possible with Obsidian Strategics Longbow range extenders

3. Galaxy of Supercomputers + BGFC
   Supercomputer interconnect topology work
   by Y. Deng, M. Michalewicz and L. Orlowski
   Obsidian Strategics Crossbow InfiniBand router (BGFC)

4. Application layer
   from simplest file transfer: dsync+
   to complex workflows: ADIOS, multi-scale models
Galaxy of Supercomputers

• Supercomputers located at different geolocations connected into a *Nodes of Super-Network (Super-Graph)*

• Supercomputers may have arbitrary interconnect topologies

• Galaxy of Supercomputers is a topological concept and is based on a topology with small diameter and lowest possible link number

• In terms of graph representation it may be realised as *embedding* of graphs representing Supercomputers’ topologies into a graph representing the Galaxy topology
Embedding of a 5-connected graph on 32 nodes into itself proves to be comparable to TOFU or 5D torus with equal or similar number of nodes.

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Galaxies of Supercomputers and their underlying interconnect topologies hierarchies

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**Objective:**
To enable a number of geographically dispersed HPC facilities to collaborate and function as ONE concurrent supercomputer, bringing the capability to address and solve grand challenges to the next level of efficiency and scale.

This is NOT Grid. This is NOT Cloud. This is globally distributed concurrent Galaxy of Supercomputers.

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10Gbps InfiniBand

100Gbps InfiniBand
Implications of this demo:
1. soon all hospitals will have sequencers
2. hospitals won’t have supercomputers
3. it will be possible to send large patient specific datasets for processing at arbitrary HPC centre
4. HPC Cloud resources will be provisioned instantly
5. results sent to doctor’s tablet, at patient’s bedside in less than 30 min
2015 Extension of InfiniCortex:
100Gbps InfiniBand East-ward link: Singapore-trans-Pacific-USA-trans-Atlantic-Europe
10Gbps InfiniBand West-ward link: Singapore-Europe (via TEIN4)
2015 European Partners:
GEANT, University 1; University 2, Poznan Supercomputing and Networking Centre, Poland; ICM Warsaw, Poland, (others (tentative): Frankfurt, Amsterdam, Czech Republic, UK)
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- Any other topics that push the boundaries of Supercomputing to Exascale and beyond.

EXTRA HIGHLIGHTS:
All-day tour of A*STAR, NTU & NUS research labs on Monday, March 16, 2015 (reservation is essential)
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