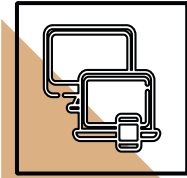


REC/HPC Website Revamp Project



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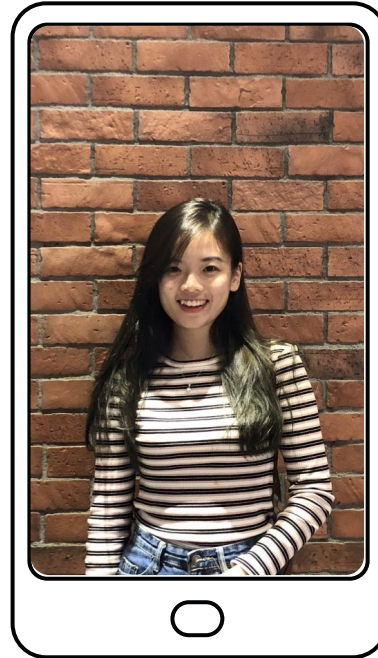
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HU CHENG SEA

Year 3 Electrical Engineering

HPC/REC Website redesign &
Research on HPC



PROJECT OUTLINE



01

GOAL

Problems from current HPC
website design

02

DESIGN SOLUTION

Main areas of change

03

CONCLUSION

Internship Learning Takeaway



01/02

GOAL

Featuring the comparison between old and new website design



About HPC

In a research environment, High Performance Computing (HPC) is the use of hardware, software, tools and programming techniques to accelerate research computation, which in turn will enable the execution of large cutting-edge research simulation that accelerates new discoveries. At the National University of Singapore, a combination of centralized and distributed approaches has been adopted in the provisioning and support of High Performance Computing (HPC) for research computation.

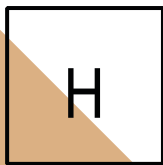
In this hybrid environment, some departments and research groups are providing local resources to support their users, whereas the HPC team at the NUS IT is focusing on providing central HPC resources and services to support all staff and student researchers across campus. NUS IT is also collaborating with the National Supercomputing Centre (NSCC) in providing high-end HPC resources to NUS researchers to enable large-scale and complex research simulations.



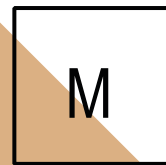
About NUS IT HPC

Central HPC support at NUS IT began in 1989 when a shared vector supercomputer was made available to the NUS research community. Technologies had been introduced to meet wide range of research computing requirements. In our recent development, we have been enhancing the environment since the beginning of 2010s. From mid-2010s, additional focus on AI related resources and technologies has been introduced to support Learning/Deep Learning research requirements. We are expecting the HPC-AI era in research computing to be in full swing in 2020s.

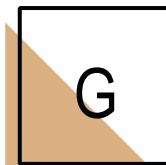
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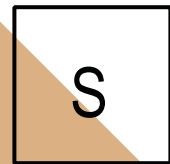
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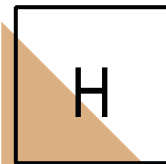
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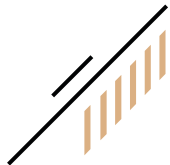
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HOMEPAGE



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Here is the list of HPC-AI resources and services NUS IT provides to accelerate research discovery in the next era of data- and AI-centric research computing development:

- ▶ HPC Cluster with accelerators (CPU, GPU)
- ▶ On-demand Storage (for data archiving or backup)
- ▶ Data Repository & Analytics System (Hadoop, Sparks)
- ▶ HPC Cloud
- ▶ High-speed Data Transfer (100Gbps research network)
- ▶ Computational Science & Engineering Software
- ▶ Data Analytics & AI Computing Platform (R, Matlab, Python, Tensorflow, PyTorch, etc)
- ▶ Data Engineering Support
- ▶ Coding, Modelling & Optimization Support



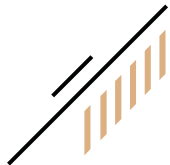
➤ Goal: interactive

HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING

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HPC





MILESTONE

Overview Milestones

MILESTONES

HPC Development Milestones at NUS Computer Centre

Press the button to see more

- 2001 - 2006
- 2007 - 2009
- 2010 - 2014
- 2015 - 2017
- 2018 - 2019
- 2020 - 2022

Milestones

HPC Development Milestones at NUS Computer Centre

2019

- Introduction of high-speed low-latency SSD storage and parallel file system with 100Gbps network to accelerate data-centric Machine Learning/Deep Learning.
- Completed the Phase I of HPC cluster migration to the Cloud.
- Launch of the central data masking system to improve ease of use and to enable secured data sharing in research collaboration.

2018

- Established a foundation for Deep Learning support with the introduction of a HPC-AI cluster with the latest GPU technologies.
- Launch of the 100Gbps research network, allowing high-speed data transfer among NUS research entities and with the National Supercomputing Centre. Researchers can also access central storage system at NUS IT through this network.

2017

- Launch of HPC Cloud at AWS to accelerate HPC resource scaling and new technologies introduction.
- Launch of Hadoop Data Repository and Analytics System to support Big Data Analytics.
- Formation of Data Engineering team to provide Data Analytics and AI/Machine Learning related research computing.

➤ Goal:
more reader friendly



MILESTONES

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1995 - 2000



2007 - 2009



2015 - 2017



2020 - 2021



2001 - 2006

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2018 - 2019

2022

A close-up, blurred image of a yellow and black circuit board, likely a GPU or accelerator card, positioned in the bottom left corner.

GETTING STARTED



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Registering HPC Portal

- [HPC Portal](#)
- [Register for HPC](#)
- [Registration Guide](#)
- [Introductory Guide for New HPC Users](#)
- [How to Run Batch Job](#)

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HPC Portal Login Page

Enter your NUSNET userid and password when prompted as shown below:



Goal:
fresh and interactive
platform

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Register for HPC

PLEASE LOG INTO NUS VPN FIRST WHEN ACCESSING FROM OUTSIDE NUS

Register for HPC Services

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Domain	<input type="text" value="NUSSTF"/> ▼
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Existing users, please skip.

➤ Goal: To deploy the new registration portal designed by previous intern

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Computational Fluid Dynamics

CFX & Workbench

Fluent & Workbench

Workbench

OpenFOAM

What is FLUENT and Workbench?

FLUENT is a general purpose Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) solver tool.

FLUENT is an engineering design and analysis tool for fluid flow, heat transfer, chemical reactions and combustion problems, etc. The solver is capable of predicting the external/internal aerodynamics performance of an aircraft or automobile, ship hull resistance, hydrodynamic performance of a water-jet propulsion system, fire and smoke movement in a building enclosure, mixing and combustion processes, thermal management of an electronics system, components or packages, and among others.

FLUENT is able to solve the fluid flow problems that are steady-state or unsteady, compressible/incompressible, laminar/turbulence/LES, subsonic/transonic/supersonic. FLUENT can also be used to solve problems with heat transfer (conduction, convection, radiation), multiphase (DPM, Eulerian, VOF), combustion & catalysis, and meshing. Solution adaptation is a specific and powerful feature. We also write their own User Define Functions (UDF) to customize the solver for their particular analyses.

Workbench is a software environment for engineering analysis. It is a computational fluid dynamics (CFD) software that integrates the solver with the pre-processor and post-processor.



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Data Processing, Storage & Management

Application Software

HPC Consulting Service

HPC GPU

Parallel Computing

Scientific Visualisation



Goal:
New separate page layout
such as
Application Software tab

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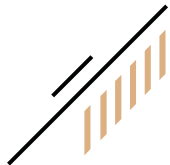
Application Software

Examples of application software resources include:

1. Life Science/Molecular Modeling
2. Computational Fluid Dynamics
3. Engineering Modeling & Design
4. Numerical & Symbolic Tools
5. Visualisation & Imaging
6. Parallel computing

KEEP READING





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HPC NEWSLETTER

» Pushing HPC Beyond Traditional Boundary

Rikky Purbojati, Research Computing, NUS Information Technology, on 28 May 2021

In support of the AI/ML adoption into HPC folds, there needs to be a strategy with agility in mind when deciding any future scientific computing development. AI adoption in our digital economy has been increasing rapidly over the past few years. Starting from the re-emergence of Deep Learning application in the ImageNet challenge, the resulting key technologies and techniques have been embedded in and influenced many aspects of research.

» Data Science for Cybersecurity

Kumar Sambhav, Research Computing, NUS Information Technology, on 28 May 2021

Data science is an extensive field which touches base with so many use cases that makes it difficult to describe its

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All

HPC Showcase

User Experience / Showcase

Technical Updates

Tips & Tricks



➤ The neat newsletter listing is kept



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CONCLUSION

Internship Learning Takeaway





Rewarding !

Through this internship, I have discovered a new interest in my life and made more friends...

Special thanks to:

Wong Chiaw Ding, Irhamny,
Cindy Tan, Toh Wee Yeow,
John Yap, Mak Hon Keat

Thank you.

