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# Hall A & C Computing Tips and Tricks

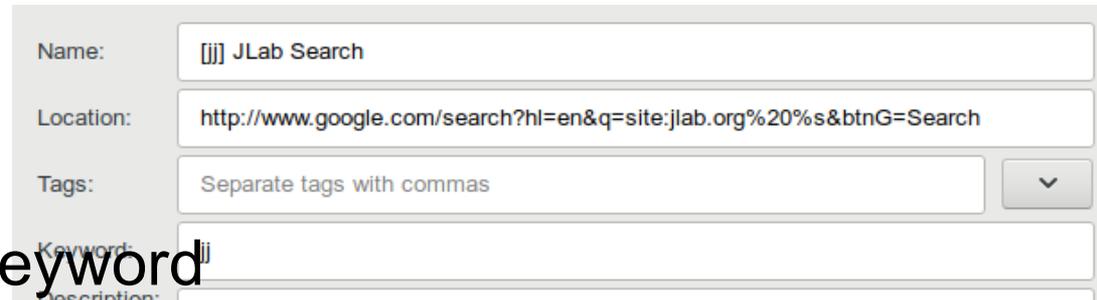
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**First up:**  
**A Couple Quick Tricks**  
**to make your**  
**Computing Work Suck Less**

# How to find information

- JLab's web search is ... weak ...
  - So, do this in Firefox:
    - » Go to [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) and search for 'site:jlab.org foo'
    - » Right click on the bookmark and choose 'Properties'
      - Give it a good name
      - Give it a short 'keyword' like 'jj'
      - Clean up the Location as shown, replace 'foo' with %s
  - Now type 'jj jget' in URL bar
    - » %s in 'Location' string is replaced with text following Keyword
    - » 'site:jlab.org' is google-fu to restrict search to jlab.org domain



The screenshot shows a bookmark properties dialog box with the following fields:

- Name: [jj] JLab Search
- Location: <http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&q=site:jlab.org%20%s&btnG=Search>
- Tags: Separate tags with commas
- Keyword: jj
- Description: (empty)

# How to find information

- Trick works great for many things
  - **JLab staff page** (<https://misportal.jlab.org/mis/staff/staff.cfm>)
    - » Keyword: 'page'
    - » Location (can extract from search on 'smith' above):
      - » `https://misportal.jlab.org/mis/staff/staff.cfm?field=all&name=%s&Search.x=36&Search.y=11&Search=Search&field=all`
  - **ROOT / G4**
    - » Keyword: 'gr'
    - » Location:
      - `https://www.google.com/search?hl=en&btnG=Search&q=site:cern.ch%20%`
  - **Stackoverflow.com**
  - **JLab Logbook (a little trickier, but you can work it out)**
  - ...

# How to work from Offsite

- How to work from offsite without tearing your eyes out because, holy hell, the graphics and menus are just so slow...
- VNC + ssh tunnel to the rescue
  - VNC: Virtual Network Computing
  - ssh used to securely move VNC traffic through jlab firewall



- Computer Center How-to
  - <https://cc.jlab.org/accessingvnc>
- Old 'howto' I wrote for my collaboration
  - adapt to machine you use
  - Search: 'jj vnc session'
  - [https://hallaweb.jlab.org/wiki/index.php/Ho\\_w\\_to\\_connect\\_to\\_a\\_d2n\\_VNC\\_Session](https://hallaweb.jlab.org/wiki/index.php/Ho_w_to_connect_to_a_d2n_VNC_Session)

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# Offline Analysis Farm Usage / General JLab Computing

# Nuts to the Farm, I analyze on my Desktop

- Simple tasks, some analysis OK on the desktop, BUT!!
  - Thou shalt backup your code!
  - Thou shalt backup your results!
  - Who among us has done
    - % rm -rf stuff/
      - » Followed by !@#\$?
- Don't keep only copies on your laptop
- Don't keep only copies on your desktop's hard drive
- Do use git for all code and scripts!
  - Commit early, commit often
  - 'git push' often too!
    - » It's a backup!
- Hard drives die and the data are gone.
  - Drives are large and cheap
  - But reliability on consumer drives is worse than it used to be!
  - SSDs are (weirdly) no better!
- IF your hard drive died today, how long would it take to recover?
  - » a day, a week,
  - » a month???

# JLab Systems can help!

- **/home, /group** are automatically backed up
  - They are snapshotted hourly!

```
% cd .snapshot/  
% ls -lrt
```
  - Longer term backups are on tape
- **/work, /volatile** are on heavily redundant filesystems
  - NOT backed up
    - » Use tape
  - More on this later...
- **NOTE:** Your JLab RHEL system on site can mount these directories if needed
  - Talk to me if this would help

# The JLab Farm • Power at your Fingertips

- Farm has many pieces
  - ~14500 compute nodes
  - ~3 PB of online storage
  - ~20+ PB of Tape
- Growing fairly quickly
  - More disk before Fall
    - » ~500 TB
    - » Focus on Lustre stability
  - More nodes before Fall
    - » ~7000 more nodes



(\*) If I'm reading [these charts](#) correctly...

# The JLab Farm • Batch Computing

- The Farm: Batch Computing
  - No direct access to actual Farm nodes
    - » Use “Interactive” farm nodes for testing
      - ie. ifarm1402
  - DB and other network access (git, http, etc) generally constrained
  - Jobs controlled by automated system called “PBS” “Slurm/Auger”
  - You submit a job to Slurm, and Slurm schedules it to run
- All about trade offs:
  - “Latency” can be high (hours+ from submission to job execution)
    - » BUT!
  - Throughput is enormous
    - » 100s (1000s) of *your* jobs can run at once
    - » High bandwidth access to fast storage
  - A full replay (100s of runs) can be completed in the time it would take 2–3 runs to complete in series on your desktop.

# PBS → Slurm transition

- PBS (with Auger) managed/scheduled jobs on the farm
  - Decides when/where jobs can run
  - Manages staging file from tape, etc
  - Getting pretty old...
- Replaced by Slurm
  - as of June 4, 2019
- Only a few user-visible changes:
  - Old swif/jsub/jkill tools still work
  - stderr/stdout goes to /farm\_out/<user>/
  - Slurm uses **real / used memory** to schedule now!
    - » You may be able to reduce your memory request!
  - [https://scicomp.jlab.org/docs/auger\\_slurm](https://scicomp.jlab.org/docs/auger_slurm)

# The JLab Farm • Scheduling

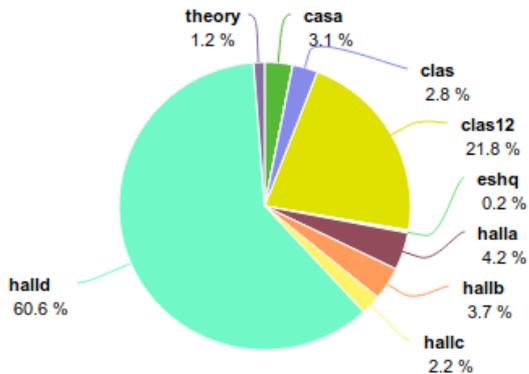
- The Farm is a Lab-wide shared resource
  - Each Hall's budget includes \$\$\$ to support their usage
  - *Rough* allocation:
    - » A: 10%, C: 10%
    - » B: 35%, D: 35%
    - » Misc: 10%
- Ruled by “Maui”/Fair Share
  - Allocations *not* written in stone and are adjusted based on needs
- The balance is trickier to manage than you may think...
  - Jobs take time to run (system doesn't know how long beforehand)
  - Upcoming job load is hard to predict
  - System balances allocations over a few days, not hours
- More documentation here:
  - <https://scicomp.jlab.org/>
  - <https://data.jlab.org/>

Usage (org-project)

Usage (org-type)

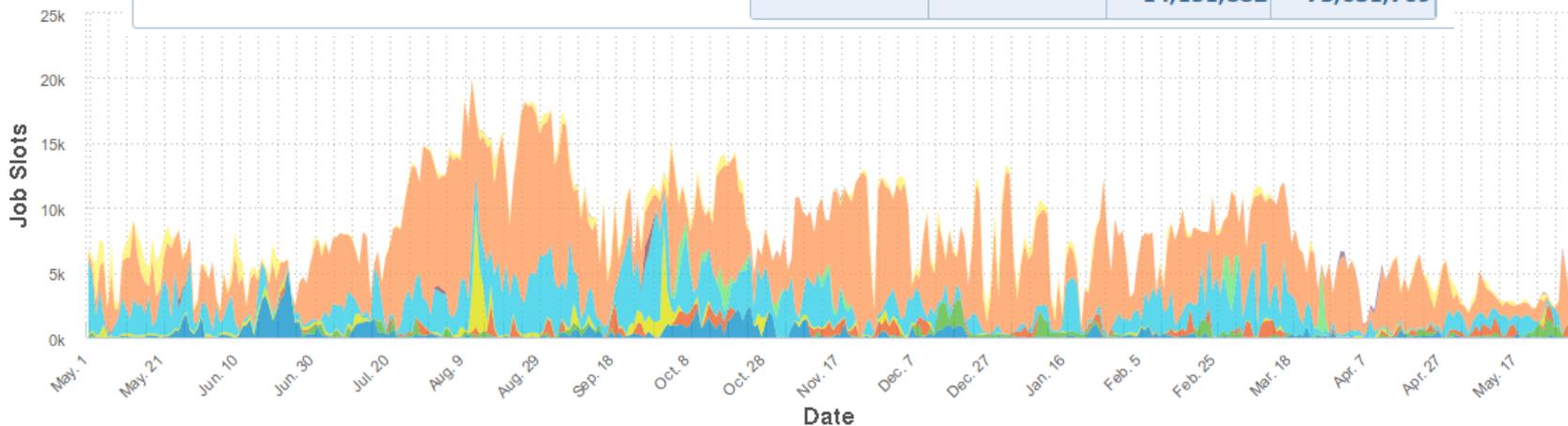
Usage (type-org)

All Jobs



Org	Project	Job Count	Process Hour
▶ accelerator	all	122	673
▶ casa	all	277,025	2,256,275
▶ cc	all	41	1,478
▶ clas	all	971,677	2,056,806
▶ clas12	all	2,044,522	15,890,113
▶ eic	all	24,709	112,582
▶ eshq	all	36,031	118,746
▶ halla	all	1,818,592	3,088,183
▶ hallb	all	2,215,332	2,707,879
▶ hallc	all	1,405,779	1,627,957
▶ halld	all	5,337,630	44,285,370
▶ theory	all	20,422	885,646
		<b>14,151,882</b>	<b>73,031,709</b>

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# Do use the Farm!

- The Farm is not your desktop
  - Need to **plan** a little and fire off groups of jobs
- **Test** your job first!
  - Can it run reliably?
    - » If it doesn't run on ifarm140x, it won't run on the farm!
  - Is the output what you want?
    - » Check before firing off 100 jobs
- Simple tasks, some types of analysis can be done on small systems, BUT!!
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  - Thou shalt back up your results!
  - **IF your hard drive died today, how long would it take to recover?**
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# What's a “Job”?

- A 'Job' often maps to a shell script that runs your code

→ It can do multiple things, but usually it executes a single instance of your software

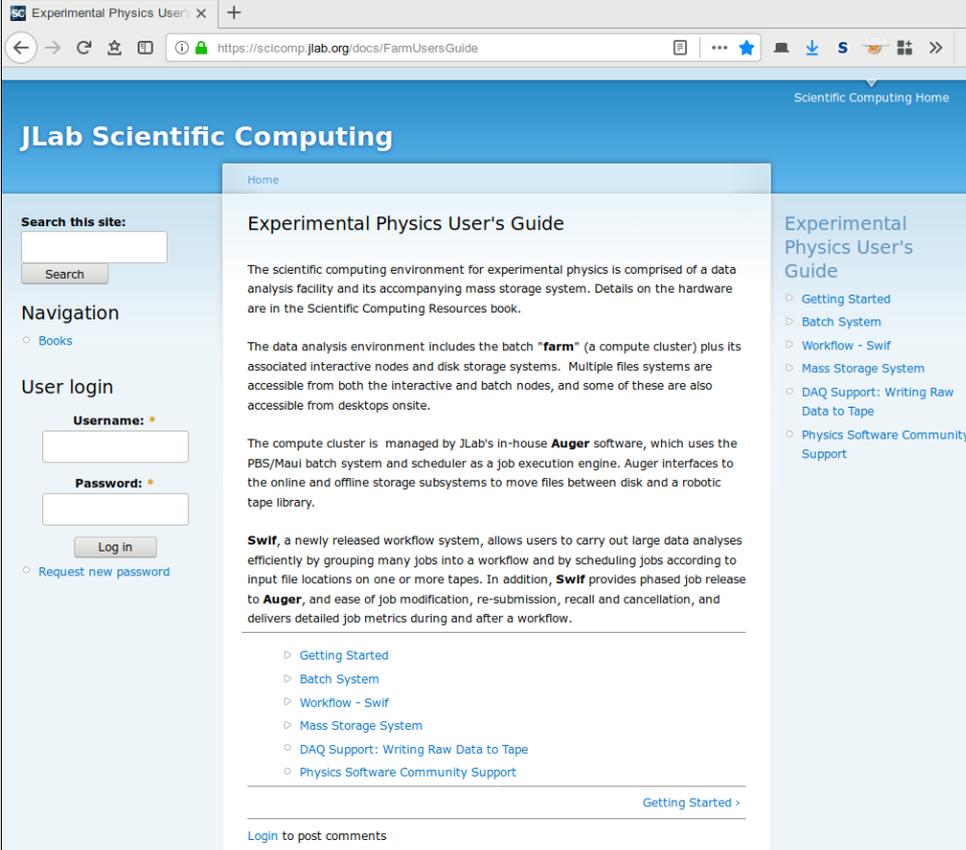
- » Analyze one run, or
- » Simulate “1M” events,
- » *etc...*

- *NOTE: Output that would normally go to a terminal goes to*

*/farm\_out/<user>/*

- » *NEW (Slurm change)*

<https://scicomp.jlab.org/docs/FarmUsersGuide>



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://scicomp.jlab.org/docs/FarmUsersGuide>. The page is titled "JLab Scientific Computing" and features a navigation menu on the left with sections for "Search this site:", "Navigation" (with a link to "Books"), and "User login" (with fields for "Username:" and "Password:" and a "Log in" button). The main content area is titled "Experimental Physics User's Guide" and contains several paragraphs of text describing the scientific computing environment, including details about the batch "farm", the data analysis environment, and the Auger software. A sidebar on the right lists various guides and support resources, such as "Getting Started", "Batch System", "Workflow - Swif", "Mass Storage System", "DAQ Support: Writing Raw Data to Tape", and "Physics Software Community Support".

# Debugging a job

- Generally want a **single script** that does everything!

→ **Set up full environment**

→ **Use full paths**

» `/group/myExp/myscript.sh`

» `./myscript.sh`

- **Testing your script:**

→ **1<sup>st</sup>: Run on ifarm140x**

→ **2<sup>nd</sup>: Submit job to Farm**

- **Test with the 'debug' Farm track**

→ **Max priority, fast sched.**

→ **Limited 4 hour runtime**

→ **Limited jobs/user**

- **Test on ifarm140x**

```
% ssh you@ifarm1402
```

```
% /group/myExp/myscript.sh
```

→ **Make sure it worked!**

» check histos, report files

- **Quick Test on Farm**

```
% swif add-job -create \  
-track 'debug' \  
<other options> ... \  
/group/myExp/myscript.sh
```

→ **Make sure it worked!**

» check histos, files

» check `/farm_out/<you>/`

- **Then submit full set!**

→ **SWIF!**

# Make your jobs run faster/better!

- Scheduling jobs takes many things into account
  - File availability from tape
  - Memory request
  - CPU/core request
    - » >1 is useless for podd/hcana
  - 'Fairshare' metric
    - » Average Hall utilization
    - » 'Project' usage
      - ie. experiment
- Details
  - [Fairshare Web Page](#)
- If a Hall / Project is not using 'their' fraction, then those Farm resources are available to anyone on a first-come, first-serve, basis!
  - If the Farm is idle, you can take advantage!
    - » Like now!



# Make your jobs run faster/better!

- Common Bottlenecks/ Mistakes
  - CPU count
    - » use 1 core only (for now)
  - Memory allocation
    - » < 2GB is best!
    - » Smaller → Faster scheduling!
  - Insufficient debugging/cross checks
    - » Fire off 100s of jobs with bad config, buggy code



# Check Job Status

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://scicomp.jlab.org/scicomp/index.html#/slurmFarmJobs/activeJob>. The page title is "Outstanding (Pending/Active) Batch Farm Jobs". On the left is a navigation menu with categories: Computing Farm (Nodes, Jobs, Usage), File System (Cache, Volatile, Work), Tape Library (Jobs, Usage), and Workflow (SWIF). The main content area displays a table with columns: Outstanding Job, Recent Job, Job Query, and Queue Info. The Queue Info sub-table has columns: User, Org, Depend, Pending, SlurmPending, StageIn, Running, StageOut, and Total.

Outstanding Job				Recent Job		Job Query		Queue Info		
User	Org	Depend	Pending	SlurmPending	StageIn	Running	StageOut	Total		
celentan	clas	2	0	0	0	0	0	2		
clas12	clas12	62	0	0	0	0	0	62		
clas12-1	clas12	0	0	0	0	81	1	82		
clas12-2	clas12	0	0	0	0	13	0	13		
dugger	halld	673	0	6	0	168	0	847		
hashir	halla	0	0	0	0	1	0	1		
markov	clas12	0	0	0	0	40	0	40		
morozov	casa	0	0	0	0	1	0	1		
scole	halld	60,310	0	0	0	82	0	60,392		
staylor	halld	0	266	729	0	0	0	995		
tanjib*	lqcd	0	6,526	0	0	91	0	6,617		
		<b>61,047</b>	<b>6,792</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>69,052</b>		

- <https://scicomp.jlab.org/scicomp/index.html#/slurmFarmJobs/activeJob>
- **Job Priority** tab disappeared with Slurm...
- **Recent Job** tab can help you find information how jobs ran (or didn't run...)
  - **ie. Memory usage!**
  - **See also:** `/farm_out/<user>/...`

# Small I/O Problems

- Small read/write operations are very inefficient
  - Old/legacy code defaults can be very small (~4kB)
  - Should be closer to 4MB chunks for decent performance
  - Buffered IO can bridge the gap if needed
    - » Common errors:
      - 'Debugging' output
        - » `stderr << "got here" << endl;`
        - » `fprintf(stderr, "event %d\n", eventNum);`
      - Opening/closing files very frequently
      - **Frequent** random I/O
        - » ie. searching through a file for a parameter every event
- Workflows / procedures that may work on desktops or older systems don't scale well on modern systems (100s or 1000s of simultaneous jobs)
  - **Can take down / degrade system-wide filesystems**
  - "Lustre" gets a bad rap for this at JLab, but all filesystems would have big problems under many of the observed loads!
    - » (IT/CNI are still "on the hook" to improve reliability though!)

# File Systems: Where do I put my stuff?

- CNI/IT provides
  - /group - a space for groups to put software and some files, backup up by CNI
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- No really, that doesn't help. Where do I put my stuff so Brad won't hassle me and I can get my work done in peace!

# Where do I put my JLab stuff?

- `/home/<user>/`
  - hourly snapshots
    - » `cd .snapshot/`
  - personal, non-analysis files
    - » papers, notes, thesis, etc...
  - analysis scripts: ~OK
    - » use git!
  - source code: ~OK
    - » /work better
  - NEVER store ROOT files or CODA files in /home
- Your laptop / desktop
  - Should really be just a front-end for working on JLab systems
  - Everybody wants to do backups, but almost no one actually does backups until after they've lost data...



# Where do I put my stuff?

- /group
  - Think “/home” for work groups
    - » papers, thesis, etc
  - hourly snapshots
    - » `cd .snapshot/`
  - analysis scripts: YES
    - » use git!
  - source code: ~OK
    - » /work is better
  - papers, thesis, etc in user subdirs is great
- /work
  - Tuned for speed, small files
    - » ie. source code, compilation, etc.
  - NOT backed up
    - » but is resilient
    - » `rm` can still bite you
  - Source code: YES
    - » use git!
  - ROOT output: ~ick
  - CODA data: No
  - YOU must backup to tape
    - » `tar + jput` (*more on this soon*)

# Where do I put my stuff?

- /volatile
  - Huge file system
    - » ~ 180 TB
  - High performance for large files
    - » ie. ROOT output
  - NOT backed up
  - Files auto-cleaned based on quota/ reservation/ and filesystem pressure
    - » <https://scicomp.jlab.org/scicomp/index.html#/volatile>
  - Analysis output goes here!
    - » Check, then push to tape if good!
- Tape System
  - Really huge
    - » 43 PB and growing
  - /mss/hallX/...
    - » Stubs: shows what is in the tape system!
    - » not the actual files
  - /cache/hallX/...
    - » actual files
    - » auto-clean up in play
      - next slide

# Accessing files from Tape

- Retrieving files from tape
  - `jcache get /mss/.../foo.dat`
    - » Manual pull from tape to `/cache/.../foo.dat`
    - » Never call this (or `jget`) in a farm script!
      - Let Auger/SWIF do it!
        - » List needed files on `<Input>` tag
        - » Auger will prestage them for you in advance
  - `jget /mss/.../foo.dat $PWD/`
    - » pull file from tape to any filesystem
    - » generally **not** the right tool

# File duration in /cache

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://scicomp.jlab.org/scicomp/index.html#/cache/project>. The page title is "Write-through Cache System (750 TB)". The table below displays project usage statistics.

Project Usage		jcachel Requests	jcachel Query	File Pin Info				
Org	High Quota	PinQuota	Guarantee	Used	NeedTape	SmallFile(MB)	Pinned	Pinned %
halld	450,000	220,000	250,000	519,317	46,604	331,214	76,248	34.66%
clas12	280,000	140,000	160,000	296,017	15,871	16,153	5	0.00%
hallb	50,000	15,000	20,000	35,159	0	41,839	3,744	24.96%
clas	40,000	15,000	20,000	43,828	0	286	4,369	29.12%
halla	25,000	10,000	12,000	15,543	1,112	4,423	1,697	16.97%
hallc	25,000	10,000	12,000	24,323	0	1,028	2,839	28.39%
home	5,000	2,000	3,000	5,000	157	6,317	723	36.17%
eic	5,000	2,000	2,000	176	0	67	0	0.00%
accel	5,000	2,000	2,000	16	0	33	0	0.00%
	885,000	416,000	481,000	939,379	63,744	401,360	89,625	

Small File counts all data files that have size less than 1MB. All size units in the table are in GB if it is not specified.

- Files auto-cleaned based on quota and system pressure on /cache
  - Clean up least-recently-used files first
  - Can 'pin' files to keep them stable
    - » Shared resource, don't abuse!

# Copying files to Tape

- Storing files on tape

- `jput file /mss/.../`

- » 'jput -h'

- » [Online Docs](#)

- 'write-through cache' ([Online Docs](#))

- » write large file output directly to /cache/hallX/...

- no 'staging' on /volatile

- » automagically backed up to tape after a few days

- guaranteed to be safe on tape **before** /cache auto-removal kicks in

- » **Gotchas:**

- small files (<1MB) not backed up to tape

- avoid pathname collisions with files already on tape

- » ie. 'overwriting' files with same name, etc

# Quick Breather

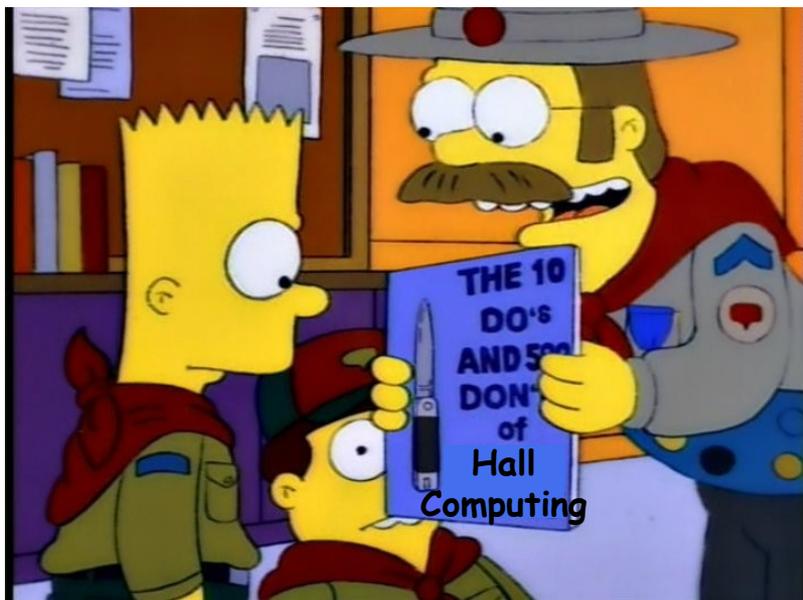
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Any Questions on that bit?

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# Hall Computing while Running / Online Analysis

# Hall Computing Do's and Don'ts!



Rules to live by so your colleagues  
don't curse your name

# Donny Don't!

- **Don't** copy or write large files to any “home” directory. This includes
  - CODA files
  - ROOT files
  - tar or zip archives
- When these shared filesystems fill, *many things break*
  - processes fail with corrupt output (not just yours!)
  - machines may require rebooting (disruptive!)
  - DAQ can die!
- **Do use** destinations like:
  - /chafs/work\*, /chafs2/work\*
  - /net/cdaq/\*
  - Use symlinks in local dirs
- **Do use** the tape silo:
  - /mss/cache/hallX/...



# Donny Don't!

- **Don't** change global config files in common accounts (*adaq, cdaq, a-onl, cvxwrks, coda, etc*)
  - » ie .bashrc, .cshrc
- **Don't** change environment variables (ie. 'setenv ...')
- **Don't** edit or save files in the global replay directories
- **Don't** run analysis on the DAQ machines
  - All can have unexpected, and difficult to debug impacts on processes running behind the scenes



- **Do use** the appropriate machines and accounts
- **Do use** the JLab Farm:

# Donny Don't!

- **Don't** use buggy/untested code in production environments

→ If your code is:

- » generating enormous 'log' files
- » generating core.NNNN dumps
- » littering hv.1.NNNN.tmp files
- » pegging a core at 100% without good reason
- » spewing warnings / debug info

→ *Then it needs fixing before the experiment*

- **Don't** ignore warning in your replay scripts

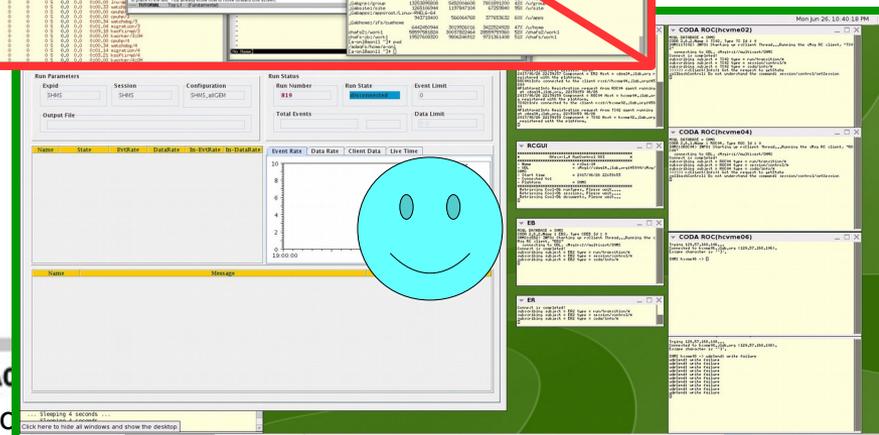
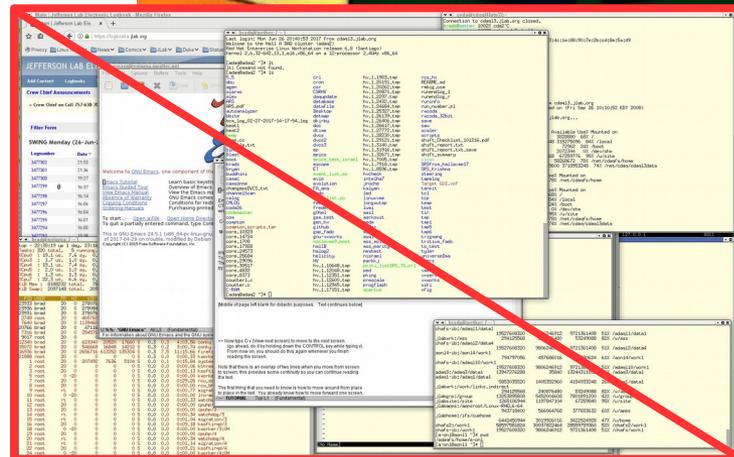
→ *NEVER* disable/hide warnings



- We've lost way too many beam hours (\$\$\$ + data) to such problems.
- Poor saps have to come in at crazy hours to fix things, and hassle folks to clean up.  
→ Have mercy on us :-)

# Donny Don't!

- Remember the Hall Computers are shared machines
  - **Don't** clutter CH screens with 100s of windows
  - **Don't** shuffle windows around on Shift Crew Machines
  - **Clean up** after yourselves
    - » Copy to tape, and/or remove obsolete files
    - » **NEVER** move or touch CODA data files though
      - talk to Hall expert



# Online Help is Available

Default web page on CH computers links to "How-tos" and pointers on Shift Crew Duties

main page | discussion | view source | history

## Main Page

Welcome to the PREX Wiki ! The purpose of this Wiki is to organize information relevant to the running experiment, and to foster communication and collaboration. For more information, see the webpage at Lead Radius Experiment ("PREX")

If you are looking for the March 18-20th Hall A beam tests information please go to: [webpage](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about the new format of this page, please contact Juliette Crowder at [crowder@jlab.org](mailto:crowder@jlab.org)

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### PREX Shift Information

- Information for Shift Takers
- Run Coordinator Tools
- Weekly Analysis Coordinator
- Daily Run Plan

### Meetings

Daily	Weekly	Collaboration	Optics	DAQ
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### Planning for 2019 Run

- Upcoming Schedule -- **Subject to change** --
  - Run starts Monday, June 17
- TaskList for 2019
- Installation Photo Album
- Run Plan

### Useful Links

HOWTO	RCDB	HALOG	HAPLOG	DocDB	Hall A Wiki	ELO
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Category: Task List

## Information for Shift Takers

Counting house: 5503, 6666 & 6000 | Run coordinator: 270-8916 | MCC: 7046 & 7047 & 7048 | Crew chief: 7045 | Guard house: 7050

Before the start of your shift, read and understand the [Safety Documentation](#) for this experiment.

- You must then sign in the Yellow Binder in the Hall C Counting House!**

Detailed instructions are available on the How-to page. If you encounter problems, first look at those instructions for assistance.

### Spring 2017 Commissioning Plans

- KPP Run Plan
- Commissioning\_Plan\_2017
- RC daily meetings and daily runplan
- Experts on call

### Your Responsibilities

#### Shift Leader

- Communicate clearly and effectively with shift crews and MCC (7047), and log any status information to the HCLLOG
- Maintain and update the **Shift Summary** detailing the events which occur while on shift
  - This is done by starting the summary as a log entry titled "X Shift Summary" where X = Day, Swing, Owl
  - Save & edit** the summary after **ANY** event of interest occurs
  - This provides the readers with an up-to-date play by play of the current shift
  - See example: <https://logbooks.jlab.org/entry/3402742>
- Keep track of beam time accounting
- Consult the daily run plans and communicate with Run Coordinator whenever problems happen that cannot be solved by shift workers.
- Maintain data taking quality and an efficient use of beam time.
- Follow the directives in the COO and associated Safety Documentation.
- Log the following in a shift summary in the Hall C Logbook:
  - run list (describing the goal of this run: eg production on LH2, BCM calibration...) and report main statistic numbers
  - any major events, including accesses

#### Target Operator

- Watch the target, see Target Info
- Assist the shift leader and third person with their duties

#### Third person

- Start and stop the DAQ. Record the purpose for every single run in the "Run list" binders. Read *fixme* to create more blank forms.
- Online replay of **all** production runs (twice), as described in Analysis How-to. first replay the first 50 k events, check online plots (see next bullet), then run a full replay.
- Compare replay histograms with the sample ones and report to shift leader any unexplained differences. Hlog them.
- Fill shift checklist once per shift (for guidance, please see the checklist how-to). *fixme* go here to find blank copies of the shift check list and the shift check list how to
- The shift leader will see here:

# Online Help is Available

Default web page on CH computers links to "How-tos" and pointers on Shift Crew Duties

The screenshot shows the PREX Wiki main page. A red circle highlights the search bar in the left sidebar. Another red circle highlights the 'Information for Shift Takers' section in the main content area. A third red circle highlights the 'Your Responsibilities' section on the 'Information for Shift Takers' page. The website includes navigation menus for 'main page', 'discussion', 'view source', and 'history'. The main content area has sections for 'PREX Shift Information', 'Meetings', 'Planning for 2019 Run', and 'Useful Links'. The 'Information for Shift Takers' page includes a 'WELCOME' graphic and detailed instructions for shift takers, such as signing in and following safety protocols.

- These are editable Wiki's
  - If you see an error, please update it!
  - If you don't, who will?

# Logbook Tips

- Always use concise “Subject”
  - » No log entries titled “problem” please...
- Make clear entries that don't rely on being there to make sense
  - » We need to understand the entries months/years later
- Clean up the “Re: Follow-up: Follow-up: Re: Follow-up: ...” garbage
  - » it is just noise
- Manually link to relevant older entries
- Use Tags fields
  - » DAQ, Analysis, Techs, ...

- HALOG, HCLOG are web based:
  - <https://logbooks.jlab.org/book/halog>
  - <https://logbooks.jlab.org/book/hclog>
- On CH computers, can also make entries via standalone tool:
  - » halog / hclog
- Simpler snapshots!

Message Center **Welcome to HCLOG! (v. HC1.8.0)**

Logbooks **HCLOG**

Date  Time  User  Follows up Entry #

Log Entry

Subject  Tags **DAQ,Readme**

Email  Comma separated list of email addresses

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- Help is worth reading

- Useful 'tricks'

→ Use UPPER-CASE boolean logic in search

» ie. AND *not* and

→ Display Settings:  
Hide Autologs

→ Useful Links

JEFFERSON LAB ELECTRONIC LOGBOOK

Logged in as brads (Logout)

Add content Logbooks Tags Useful Links Preferences Help/About

Crew Chief Announcements

- o Crew Chief on Call 757-630-7050

HCLOG

Filter From

DAY Friday (23-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3477165	14:47	ethanb	Follow-up Re: Chamber gas updates -- gas system back on

SWING Wednesday (21-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3476902	22:17	brads	Chamber gas updates -- gas system back on

SWING Tuesday (20-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3476684	15:03	beaufait	Follow-up Re: Follow-up Re: Chamber gas interlock problem

DAY Friday (16-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3476164	14:50	beaufait	Follow-up Re: Chamber gas interlock problem
3476105	09:02	pooser	Follow-up Re: GEM SRS DAQ standalone latency scan
3476104	08:56	pooser	Follow-up Re: Latency scan for GEM SRS DAQ in integrated Hall C system

OWL Friday (16-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3476094	01:05	latif	Latency scan for GEM SRS DAQ in integrated Hall C system
3476093	00:56	latif	GEM SRS DAQ standalone latency scan

SWING Thursday (15-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3476028	16:11	ethanb	HMS Quadrupoles

SWING Wednesday (14-Jun-2017)

Lognumber	Date	Author	Title
3475920	15:02	brads	Chamber gas interlock problem

DAY Wednesday (14-Jun-2017)

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Date Range

Display Settings

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Useful Links

- o --> Hall C Shift Instructions <--
- o --> Hall C Wiki <--
- o Access Keys
- o ATLiS
- o CEBAF Status Information
- o Hall C EPICS archive
- o Hall C Run Entries -- End
- o Hall C Run Entries -- Start
- o Hall C Screens
- o Hall C Target [Hclog, Target tag]
- o Hall C Target [Target log, Hall C tag]
- o Hall C Tasklist (HCList)
- o Old Hall C Logbook (pre-2014)
- o RF Dashboard
- o Tech Notes
- o White Board (OPS)

# And, Most Importantly

- If you see something you don't understand...
  - Ask someone
  - Make a log entry
  - Dig in and beat on the problem until it makes sense to *you*
    - » You're scientists – understanding weirdness is literally our business!



"Notice all the computations, theoretical scribbles, and lab equipment, Norm. ...  
Yes, curiosity killed these cats."

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# Now ask Questions!



# Hall A/C Computer Layout (possibly dated...)

# Hall A Counting House Systems

## DAQ

adaq1  
12 cores Xeon E5645

5.5 TB  
RAID-6

adaq2  
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5.5 TB  
RAID-6

compton  
16 cores Xeon E5620

19 TB  
RAID-6

## Online Analysis

hamoller  
4 cores Xeon E5410

aonl1  
32 cores Xeon E5-2650v2

aonl2  
32 cores Xeon E5-2650v2

aonl3  
32 cores Xeon E5-2650v2

aonl4  
32 cores Xeon E5-2650v2

## Servers

chafs  
16-core Xeon  
E5620 (2011)

19 TB  
RAID-6

adaqfs  
8-core Xeon  
E5310 (2006)

1.7 TB  
RAID-5

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**Offline Expert Machines**  
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**Shift Crew Machines**  
"Front Room"

adaq1  
DAQ

adaq2  
DAQ

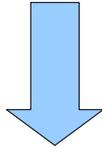
hacweb7  
EPICS

hapc1/hapc2  
Scalers / HV

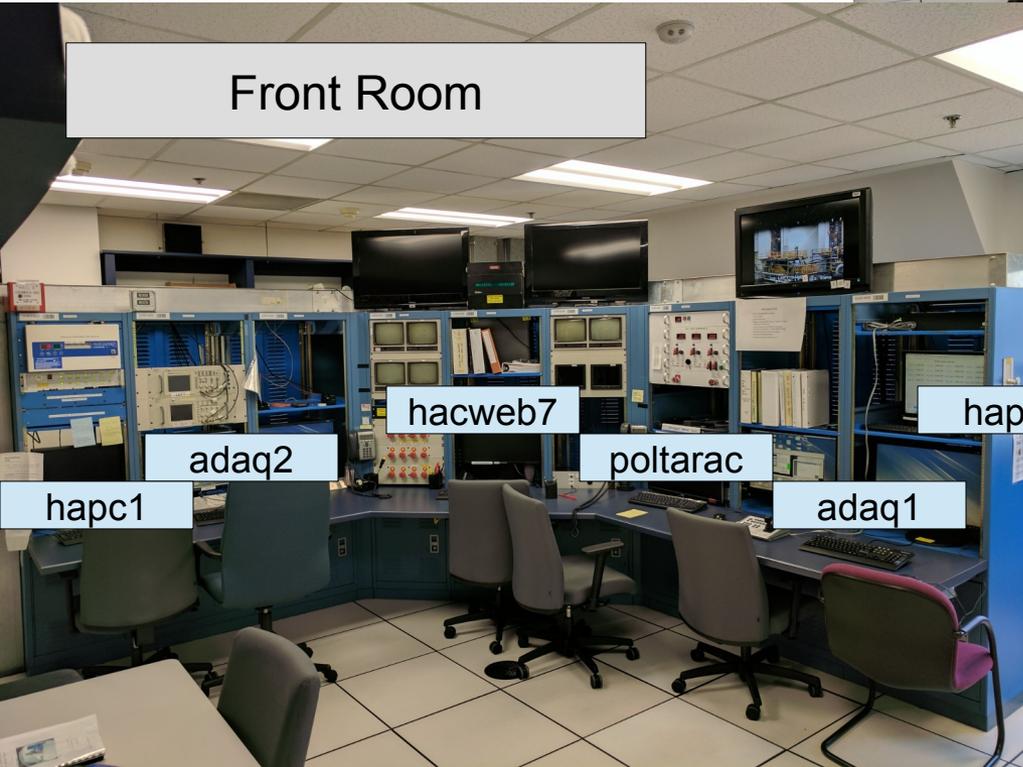
poltarac  
Target Control

# Hall A Counting House Consoles

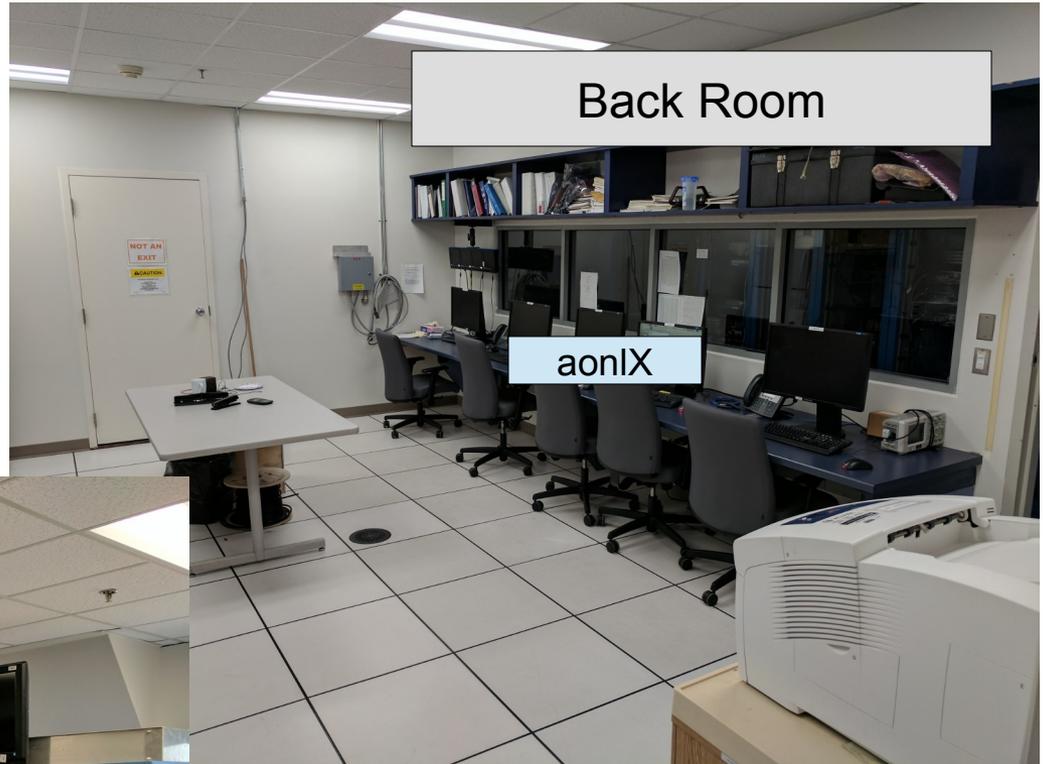
Shift Crew Here  
ONLY DAQ and monitoring  
programs should run  
on adaqX machines



Front Room



Back Room

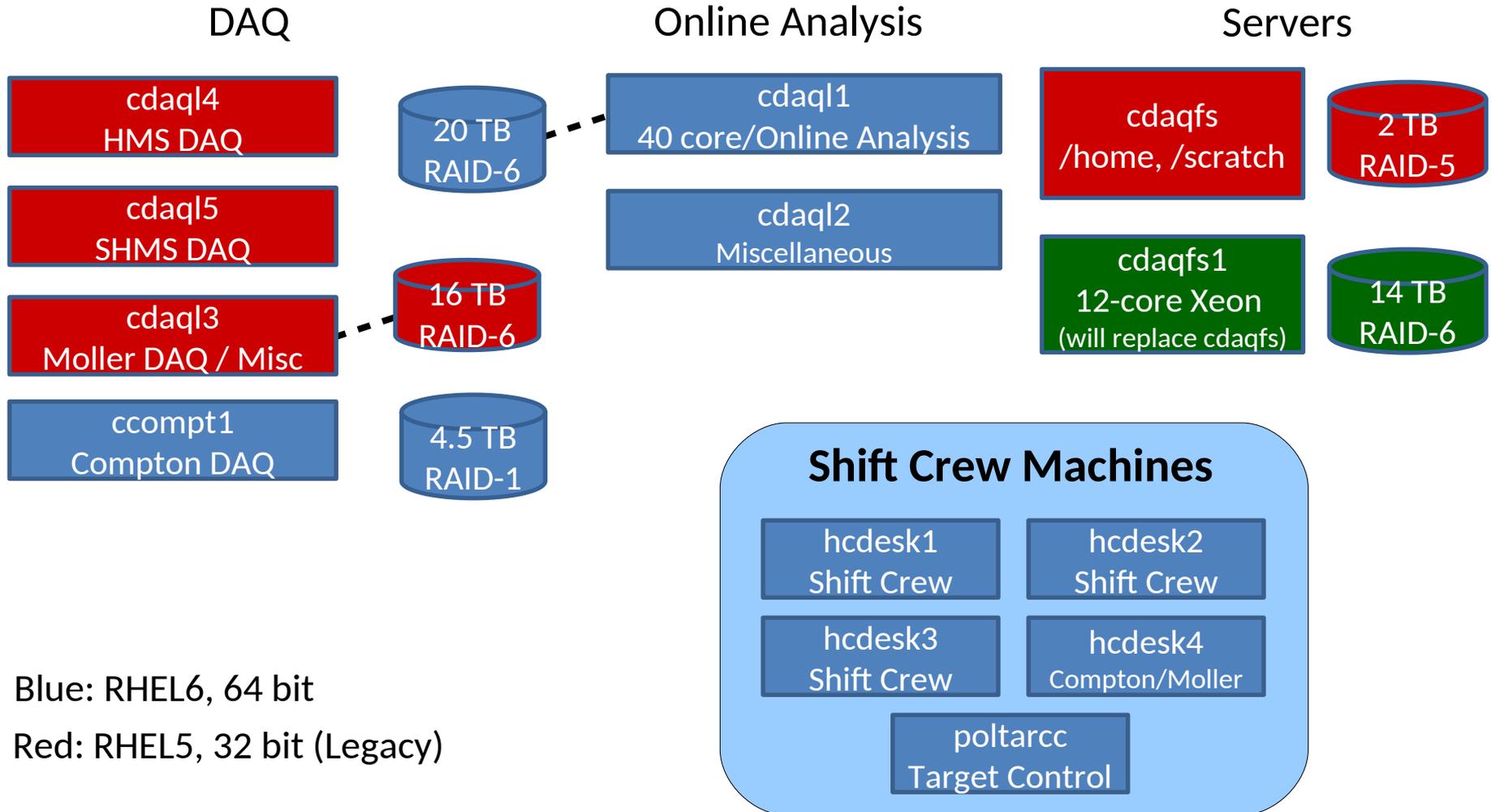


aonIX



Offline Experts Here  
All analysis should be done  
on **a-onl@aonIX** machines

# Hall C Counting House Systems



Blue: RHEL6, 64 bit

Red: RHEL5, 32 bit (Legacy)

# Hall C Counting House Consoles

hcdesk\* machines are used as **frontends** to access the DAQ (cdaq[45]) and analysis machines (cdaq1) using “go\_\*” scripts and/or ssh

