

Whirlwind Tour of HTCondor Tools

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Rationale

In the past, we've started with a simple beginner's tutorial

The basics of job submissions, etc.

This is not that talk. That talk can be found on YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/8jadQkAdU1k>

This talk is a high-throughput talk trying to cover all the tools:



Every* HTCondor tool in 40 minutes

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- Commands for managing jobs

- Condor_submit, condor_transfer_data, condor_submit_dag, condor_rm condor_suspend / Condor_continue, condor_hold / condor_release condor_q / condor_history, condor_qedit, condor_q -better

- Commands for managing execution points

- condor_off, condor_on, condor_restart, Condor_drain, condor_now, condor_vacate, condor_config_val-set, condor_reconfig, condor_status,

- Commands for working with running jobs

- Condor_ssh_to_job, condor_tail, condor_evicted_files, condor_chirp, Condor_vacate_job

- Commands for debugging and testing

- Condor_version, Classad_eval, condor_who, condor_top, condor_fetchlog, condor_transform_jobs, condor_starter -classad, condor_gpu_discovery, condor_power_state

- Command(s) for managing submitters

- condor_userprio, condor_qusers

- The new way (experimental)

- htcondor tool



Commands for managing jobs



condor_submit

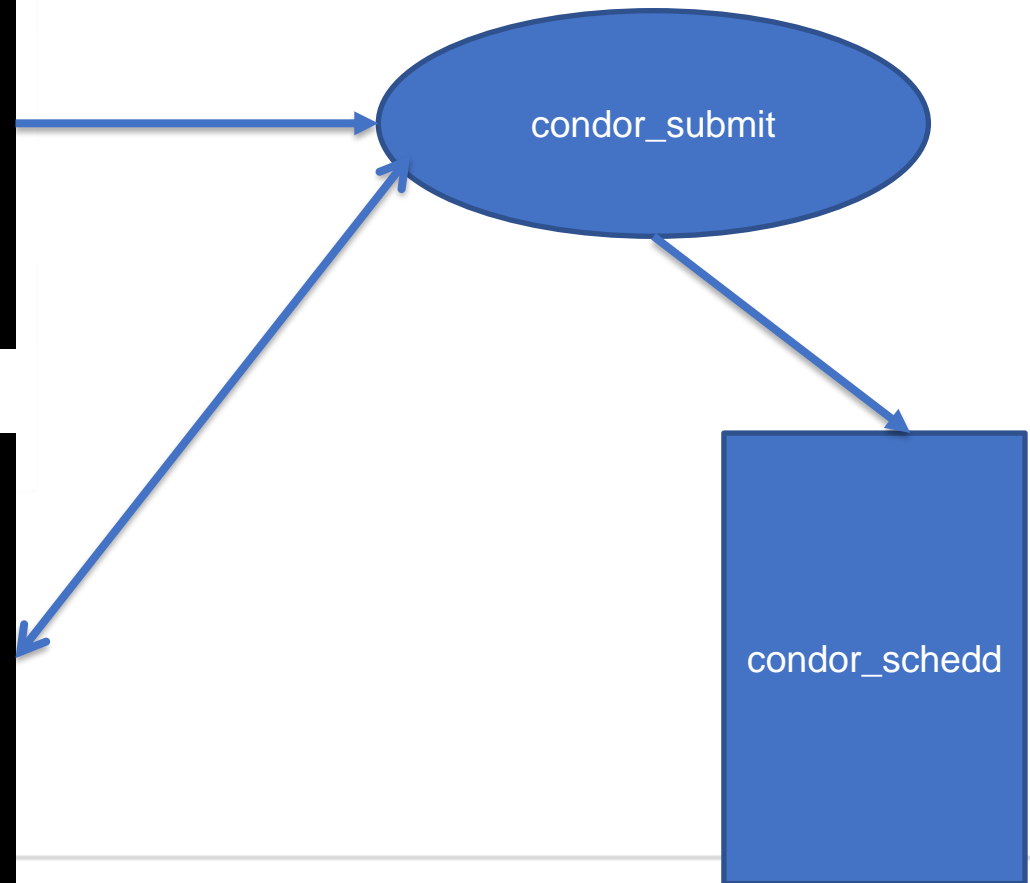
```
$ condor_submit submit
Submitting job(s).
1 job(s) submitted to cluster 62
```



condor_submit animation

```
executable = calculate  
arguments = one two three  
queue  
...
```

```
Cmd = "calculate"  
Qdate = 34056  
Args = "one two three"  
...
```



condor_submit -dry-run classad_file

```
$ condor_submit -dry-run /dev/stdout submit
Dry-Run job(s)
ClusterId=1
In="/dev/null"
EnteredCurrentStatus=1664855180
Environment=""
PeriodicHold=false
...
```



condor_submit -i (interactive)

```
$ condor_submit -i
```

OR

```
$ condor_submit -i some_submit_file
```



condor_submit -batch-name experiment#

```
$ condor_submit -batch-name test-tube-7 submit
Submitting job(s).
1 job(s) submitted to cluster 62
```

```
$ condor_q
-- Schedd: gthain@chevre.cs.wisc.edu : <128.105.14.140?... @
10/03/22 23:04:58
OWNER  BATCH_NAME      SUBMITTED   DONE    RUN    IDLE  TOTAL  JOB_IDS
gthain test-tube-7  10/3  23:03    _     1     _     1  666.0
```



condor_submit -spool

```
$ condor_submit -spool submit...
```



condor_submit -remote sched_name

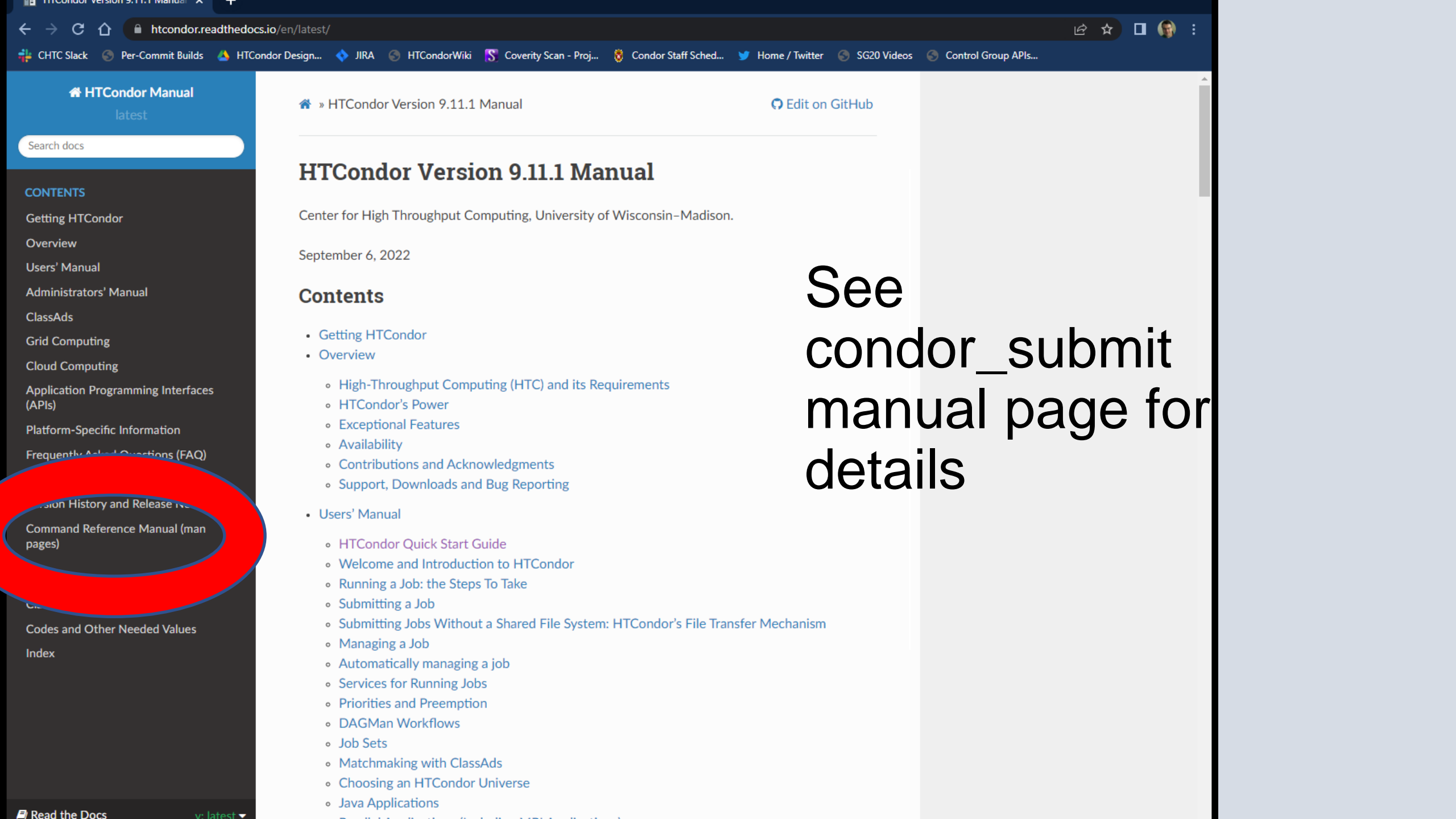
```
$ condor_submit -remote sched_name
```



condor_transfer_data

```
$ condor_transfer_data cluster.proc
```





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See
condor_submit
manual page for
details

condor_submit one liners

```
$ condor_submit - <<EOF  
Executable = /bin/sleep  
Arguments = 3600  
Request_memory = 1G  
Request_Disk = 1000M  
Queue  
EOF
```



condor_submit one liners

```
$ condor_submit executable=/bin/sleep \  
    arguments=3600 -queue 1 - < /dev/null
```



Every **other** HTCondor tool
in 30 minutes

condor_submit_dag

```
$ condor_submit_dag dag_file
```

Doesn't have options as condor_submit

Only option of interest is "-force"

See:

<https://youtu.be/OuIBf6x24r0>



If only one command, `condor_submit`

But if you know two, the second should be ...



condor_rm

```
$ condor_rm cluster.proc
```

```
$ condor_rm cluster
```

```
$ condor_rm username
```

```
$ condor_rm -all
```



condor_rm -const

```
$ condor_rm -const 'some classad expr'
```

```
$ condor_q -const 'some classad expr'
```



condor_rm -reason "Reason String"

```
$ condor_rm -reason 'Call Greg - this exploded'
```



All of the "act on jobs" commands have these same options

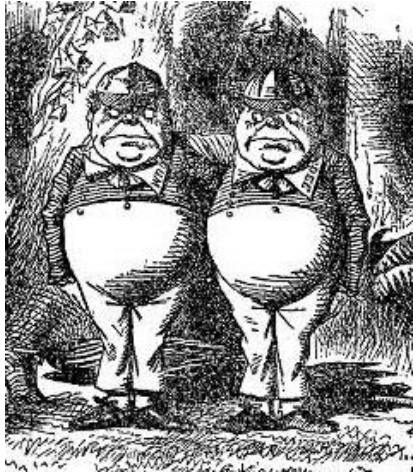
```
$ some_condor_command cluster.proc
```

```
$ some_condor_command cluster
```

```
$ some_condor_command username
```

```
$ some_condor_command -all
```

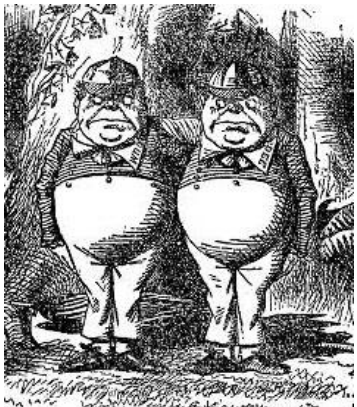
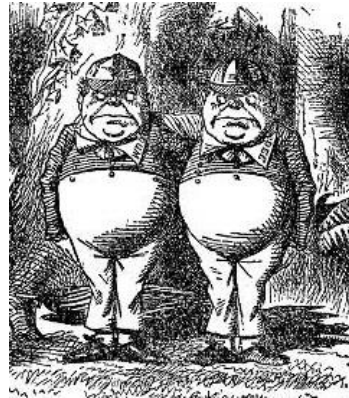




The rest of the "act on jobs" commands...

Three sets of twins

And an extra...



condor_suspend / condor_resume

```
$ condor_suspend cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```

```
$ condor_resume cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```

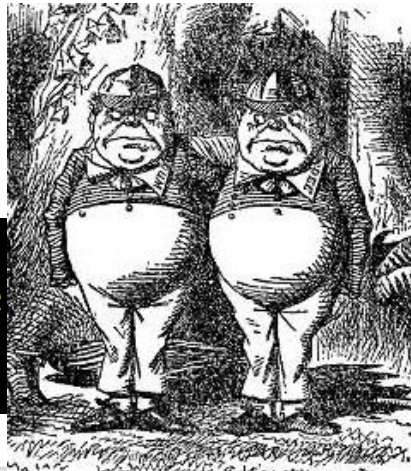


condor_hold / condor_release

```
$ condor_hold cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```

```
$ condor_release cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```

```
$ condor_hold -release L GREG NOW'
```



condor_q / condor_history

```
$ condor_q cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```

```
$ condor_history cluster.proc (or username or ...)
```



condor_q -better

```
$ condor_q -better 673.0
```

The Requirements expression for job 673.000 is

```
TARGET.Memory >= RequestMemory) && (TARGET.HasFileTransfer)
```

Job 673.000 defines the following attributes:

```
RequestDisk = 1048  
RequestMemory = 10485760
```

slot1@chevre.cs.wisc.edu has the following attributes:

```
TARGET.Disk = 122394753536  
TARGET.Memory = 2048
```

"The Requirements expression reduces to these conditions:

| Step | Matched | Condition |
|------|---------|--------------------------------|
| ---- | ----- | ----- |
| [0] | 1 | TARGET.Arch == "X86 64" |
| [1] | 1 | TARGET.OpSys == "LINUX" |
| [3] | 1 | TARGET.Disk >= RequestDisk |
| [5] | 0 | TARGET.Memory >= RequestMemory |



condor_q querying other schedds

```
$ condor_q -name other_schedd
```

```
$ condor_q -name other_schedd -pool remote_cm
```

```
$ condor_q -jobad file_with_ad
```



condor_q -better

```
$ condor_q -better -jobads job -slotads sl 673.0
```

Analyzes the job in the file "job"

Against the slot in file sl

Useful for "why job doesn't match **this** slot?"



And a better condor_q for loops...

```
$ condor_watch_q
```

Instead of watch condor_q



condor_qedit

```
$ condor_qedit 10 'AttributeName = "StringValue" '  
$ condor_qedit 10 'AttributeName = True '  
$ condor_qedit 10 'AttributeName = 100.3 '  
$ condor_qedit 10 'AttributeName = someExpr > 100 '
```

Quoting is Tricky! Both
classad AND
shell quoting in play!



condor_qedit -edits some_file

```
$ condor_qedit 10 -edits some_file
some_file:
StringAttribute = "StringValue"
NumericAttribute = 10.0
ExprAttribute = foo > 100
```

This avoids shell quoting headaches

But classad quoting still applies – be careful



What's the problem with condor_history?

Don't worry, I'll wait

And wait...

And wait...



Why is condor_history slow?

1. There's rather a lot of information about each job
2. And there's a huge number of jobs



Solving problem #2 first...

- Add `-match 1`, if you know there's only one job, i.e.

```
$ condor_history match 1 -const "some constraint"
```



Going the right direction helps...

If you suspect the job is in the older half of the history..

```
$ condor_history -forwards -match 1 -const ..
```

If you suspect the job is in the newer half of the history..

```
$ condor_history -backwards -match 1 -const ..
```



Fastest to solve both problems!

```
$ condor_history -userlog logfile ...
```

1. You do have a userlog (job log), don't you
2. Only a handful of attributes are in the logfile
(which is why it is so fast....)



Or read from a more constrained source...

Works with job eventlog dagman nodes.log or global event..

```
$ condor_userlog filename
```



But the real solution to slow history is...

Use a real database!



condor_adstash

```
$ condor_adstash -standalone -se_host host:port
```

- Tool / daemon
- Loops, copying job data from schedd logs into elastic search
- Only historical jobs (can be from startd also)
- Super useful for debugging, performance, etc.



Commands that only work on already running* jobs

*Not all universes supported



condor_ssh_to_job

```
$ condor_ssh_to_job 673.0  
Welcome to slot1@chevre.cs.wisc.edu  
$
```

Doesn't work in all environment
Basis of condor_submit -i



condor_ssh_to_job -X

```
$ condor_ssh_to_job -X 673.0
```

Enables forwarding of X protocol

(if ssh'ing to AP, also add -X there)



condor_ssh_to_job -ssh <ssh program> here



Scp to job

```
$ condor_ssh_to_job -ssh scp 673.0 remote:from_ep to_ap
```

"remote:" placeholder for real machine name

Other way works too

```
$ condor_ssh_to_job -ssh scp 673.0 from_ap remote:to_ap
```



Rsync to job over condor_ssh_to_job

```
$ rsync -v -e "condor_ssh_to_job" 673.0:output .
```

"673:" jobid place holder for real machine



condor_tail

```
$ condor_tail 673.0
```

Copies last 1024 (or `-maxbytes xx`) from stdout

Or `-stderr`

Or optional filename

```
$ condor_tail -follow 673.0 some_interesting_file
```



condor_evicted_files

```
$ condor_evicted_files list 673.0  
$ condor_evicted_files get 673.0 my_output_file
```

Allows inspection and fetching of files
From spool directories of evicted jobs.

Also works with checkpoint files



condor_vacate_job

```
$ condor_vacate_job 673.0
```

Helpful if you don't want to hold the job
But want it to start somewhere else
If worker node is slow or seems broken or...



condor_chirp

- Chirp is the only command that **MUST RUN IN THE JOB**
 - On the EP!
- Also have python bindings
- Chirp commands run from the EP to the AP
- Many subcommands of chirp, but the big ones are...



Get attribute from AP's copy of job ad

```
$ condor_chirp get_job_attr SomeAttribute
```

Prints to stdout the value of "SomeAttribute"
The job id is always the running job



Set attribute from AP's copy of job ad

```
$ condor_chirp set_job_attr JobAttr '"some_value"'
```

Sets the value of "JobAttr"

The job id is always the running job

CAREFUL WITH QUOTING! (as condor_qedit)



Append to job log

```
$ condor_chirp ulog 'Some message'
```

Appends 'some message' to the job log

Super useful for debugging, timing,
job progress



condor_wait

```
$ condor_wait job_log_file
```

Block until job in job log file exits



Commands for EPs and other HTCondor services



condor_off

```
$ condor_off -startd  
$ condor_off -negotiator  
$ condor_off -schedd
```

Turns off named condor daemon

```
$ condor_off
```

Turns off every daemon, except master...

```
$ condor_off -master
```



condor_on

```
$ condor_on -startd  
$ condor_on -negotiator  
$ condor_on -schedd
```

Turns on named condor daemon

```
$ condor_on
```

Turns on every daemon, except master...



condor_restart

```
$ condor_restart -startd  
$ condor_restart -negotiator  
$ condor_restart -schedd
```

Restarts named condor daemon

```
$ condor_restart
```

Restarts every daemon, except master...

```
$ condor_restart -master
```



draining

```
$ condor_drain machine_or_slot
```



Cancelling draining

```
$ condor_drain -cancel machine_or_slot
```



Immediately running high priority job

```
$ condor_now idle_job_id running_job_id
```

Swaps out the running job for an idle job
must be from same submitter



Evict running job

```
$ condor_vacate machine_or_slot
```

Much like `condor_vacate_job`

Machine owner permission

Can be just one slow

Job goes to "Idle"



Knob management

```
$ condor_config_val -summary
```

Emits diff from defaults of all knobs (from disk)

```
# from /nobackup/gthain/personal-condor/condor_config.local  
#  
RunBenchmarks = true  
STARTD_DEBUG = D_FULLDEBUG D_COMMAND D_JOB D_MACHINE  
STARTER_DEBUG = D_FULLDEBUG D_COMMAND  
SHARED_PORT_DEBUG = D_FULLDEBUG D_NETWORK  
MEMORY = 819200
```


Knob management

```
$ condor_config_val -verbose SOME_KNOB
```

Emits current values of one knob
AND the file & line number where it is



Knob management

```
$ condor_reconfig
```

Tells HTCondor services to re-read config file



Collector querying

```
$ condor_status
```



Please don't run this...

```
$ condor_status -l | grep some_attribute
```

It works – usually

Did you get the regxep right?

Are you sure?

Is it anchored?

Did you remember case-insensitive attrs?

Can be slow



Rather, run this:

```
$ condor_status -af some_attribute
```

Evaluates by default (against itself, no match)

```
$ condor_status -af WithinResourceLimits  
undefined
```

```
$ condor_status -af:l WithinResourceLimits  
WithinResourceLimits = undefined
```

```
$ condor_status -af:r WithinResourceLimits  
(MY.Cpus > 0 && TARGET.RequestCpus <= MY.Cpus &&...
```

Usually naked `-af` is good enough for literals

```
$ condor_status -af Name
slot1@chevre
$ condor_status -af:r Name
"slot1@chevre"
$ condor_status -af:lr Name
Name = "slot1@chevre"
```



condor_status – not just for slot ads

```
$ condor_status -submitters  
$ condor_status -schedd  
$ condor_status -master  
$ condor_status -negotiator
```



Commands for debugging and testing HTCondor services



Version

```
$ condor_version
```

```
$CondorVersion: 10.1.0 2022-09-30 BuildID: UW_development PRE-RELEASE-UWCS $
```

```
$CondorPlatform: X86_64-Ubuntu_18.04 $
```



ClassAd Debugging

```
$ classad_eval '[a = "b"; c = "d"]' 'a'  
[ c = "d"; a = "b" ]  
"b"  
  
$ classad_eval '' 'regexp("abc", ".")'  
[ ]  
false  
  
$ classad_eval '' 'regexp(".", "abc")'  
[ ]  
true
```



What's running on my EP?

```
$ condor_who
```

| OWNER PROGRAM | CLIENT | SLOT | JOB | RUNTIME | PID |
|---|------------------------|------|------------|------------|-------|
| alnammi@chtc.wisc.edu /var/lib/condor/execute/slot1/dir_ | submit-1.chtc.wisc.edu | 1_10 | 16662962.0 | 1+16:54:18 | 52132 |
| alnammi@chtc.wisc.edu /var/lib/condor/execute/slot1/dir_ | submit-1.chtc.wisc.edu | 1_11 | 16662963.0 | 1+16:54:18 | 52173 |
| alnammi@chtc.wisc.edu /var/lib/condor/execute/slot1/dir_ | submit-1.chtc.wisc.edu | 1_12 | 16662952.0 | 1+17:59:21 | 9960 |
| alnammi@chtc.wisc.edu /var/lib/condor/execute/slot1/dir_ | submit-1.chtc.wisc.edu | 1_13 | 16662989.0 | 1+09:27:06 | 41850 |



Why is HTCondor slow

```
$ condor_top
```

```
DC status from 2022-10-04 16:33:56 to 2022-10-04 16:37:56:
```

```
Duty Cycle: -0.51%      Ops/second: 0.017
```

```
Runtime stats from 2022-10-04 16:33:56 to 2022-10-04 16:37:56:
```

| InstRt | InstAvg | TotAvg | TotMax | RtPctAvg | InstRate | AvgRate | Item |
|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1.3901 | 0.02958 | 0.0244 | 4.170 | 121.1784 | 0.195833 | n/a | Timer_poll_resources |
| 1.3748 | 0.02864 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.200000 | n/a | ResMgrCompute |
| 1.3309 | 0.00552 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 1.004167 | n/a | ResMgrWalkOther |
| 0.1754 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.000000 | n/a | RecentResMgrWalkOther |
| 0.1744 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.000000 | n/a | RecentResMgrCompute |
| 0.1509 | 0.15093 | 0.1018 | 0.151 | 148.2647 | 0.004167 | n/a | Command_QUERY_STARTD_ADS |
| 0.0410 | 0.00087 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 0.195833 | n/a | ResMgrWalkEvalState |
| 0.0012 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | -0.004167 | n/a | RecentResMgrWalkEvalState |
| 0.0006 | 0.00014 | 0.0002 | 0.083 | 92.9072 | 0.016667 | n/a | Timer_dc_touch_log_file |



Remote fetching of HTCondor debug log

```
$ condor_fetchlog machineName startd  
$ condor_fetchlog chevre STARTER.slot1_3
```

```
10/08/22 18:13:17 Now in new log file /nobackup/gthain/personal-  
condor/log/StartLog  
10/08/22 18:13:17 Publishing ClassAd 'mips' to slot1 [InSlotList matches]  
10/08/22 18:13:17 Publishing ClassAd 'kflops' to slot1 [InSlotList matches]  
10/08/22 18:13:17 Publishing ClassAd 'mips' to slot1 [InSlotList matches]  
10/08/22 18:13:17 Trying to update collector <128.105.14.141:4210>  
10/08/22 18:13:17 Attempting to send update via TCP to collector  
chevre.cs.wisc.edu <128.105.14.141:4210>  
10/08/22 18:13:17 slot1: Sent update to 1 collector(s)  
10/08/22 18:13:37 Swap space: 24358084
```



Debugging schedd job transforms

```
$ condor_transform_ads -rules my_rules -in my_input
```

```
# Output:
```

```
DiskUsage = 2500000
```

```
Err = "/dev/null"
```

```
MemoryUsage = 5
```

```
NumCheckPoints = 0
```

```
RequestDisk = ( 5000000 / 1024 )
```

```
ResidentSetSize = 500
```



Wait, What's a Schedd job Transform?

https://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/HTCondorWeek2017/presentations/TueKnoeller_Schedd.pdf

<https://htcondor.readthedocs.io/en/latest/classads/transforms.html#classad-transforms>



And, three commands to query machine



EP attributes

```
$ condor_starter -classad
```

```
CondorVersion = "$CondorVersion: 9.12.0 2022-09-13 BuildID: 605774 PackageID: 9.12.0-0.605774 RC $"
```

```
IsDaemonCore = True
```

```
HasFileTransfer = True
```

```
HasJobTransferPlugins = True
```

```
HasPerFileEncryption = True
```

```
HasReconnect = True
```

```
HasMPI = True
```

```
HasTDP = True
```

```
HasJobDeferral = True
```

```
..
```



GPU attributes

```
$ condor_gpu_discovery -extra
```

```
DetectedGPUs="GPU-9f77c691, GPU-b274f0bc, GPU-a7cbba7c, GPU-5595a8ea"
```

```
Common=[ Capability=6.1; ClockMhz=1582.00; ComputeUnits=28; CoresPerCU=128; DeviceName="NVIDIA GeForce GTX 1080 Ti"; DriverVersion=11.60; ECCEnabled=false; GlobalMemoryMb=11179; MaxSupportedVersion=11060; ]
```

```
GPU_5595a8ea=[ id="GPU-5595a8ea"; DevicePciBusId="0000:AF:00.0"; DeviceUuid="5595a8ea-4ecc-c632-9693-9fc819629157"; ]
```

```
GPU_9f77c691=[ id="GPU-9f77c691"; DevicePciBusId="0000:3B:00.0"; DeviceUuid="9f77c691-7ad2-bec7-e18c-e4c11c51ed24"; ]
```

```
GPU_a7cbba7c=[ id="GPU-a7cbba7c"; DevicePciBusId="0000:86:00.0"; DeviceUuid="a7cbba7c-5eaf-d432-1b4d-48c15f26b785"; ]
```

```
GPU_b274f0bc=[ id="GPU-b274f0bc"; DevicePciBusId="0000:5E:00.0"; DeviceUuid="b274f0bc-3168-a817-3807-596b8190514d"; ]
```



Power Saving detection

```
$ condor_power_state ad  
HibernationMethod = "pm-utils"  
HibernationRawMask = 8  
HibernationSupportedStates = "S4"
```



Commands for submitters



condor_userprio

```
$ condor_userprio -all
```

```
Last Priority Update: 10/4 16:47
```

| Name | Priority | Priority | Factor | In Use | (wghted-hrs) | Start | Time | Usage | Time | Ceiling |
|------|----------|----------|---------|--------|--------------|------------|-------|------------|-------|---------|
| by | 500.00 | 0.50 | 1000.00 | 0 | 48.67 | 9/27/2022 | 13:08 | 10/04/2022 | 09:06 | |
| jv | 500.00 | 0.50 | 1000.00 | 0 | 0.95 | 5/28/2020 | 16:22 | 10/04/2022 | 00:49 | |
| dt | 511.45 | 0.51 | 1000.00 | 1 | 2.39 | 10/04/2022 | 14:26 | 10/04/2022 | 16:47 | |
| ck | 513.60 | 0.51 | 1000.00 | 1 | 75.35 | 2/26/2020 | 11:39 | 10/04/2022 | 16:47 | 20 |



Whole talk about prios, userprio, etc.

- <https://youtu.be/aPUztmJ0n2s>



condor_userprio -setceil

```
$ condor_userprio -setceil user ceiling
```

Imposes a per-pool upper bound on
Cores a given submitter can get



condor_userprio -setfloor

```
$ condor_userprio -setfloor user ceiling
```

Imposes a per-pool lower bound on
Cores a given submitter can get



condor_qusers

```
$ condor_quser -disable tannenba
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Bans a user from submitting jobs

Shows usage without options

Also has a -enable



The one new command...



htcondor <noun> <verb>

- A fresh start
- Written in python
- Influenced by git, k8s, etc.
- Extensible!

- E.g. "htcondor job status"
- "htcondor eventlog read"

- We're looking for feedback – how can we improve tools?



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