

JupyterHub at Port d'Informació Científica (PIC)

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What is PIC?

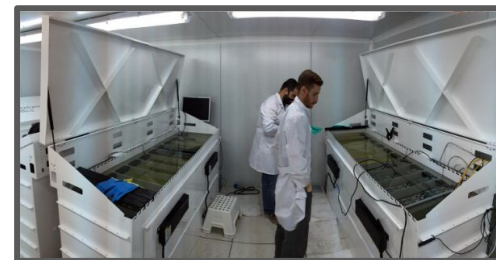
- PIC stands for Port d'Informació Científica
- Founded in 2003, collaboration between IFAE and CIEMAT. Located near Barcelona in the UAB campus.
- Tier-1 node of the WLCG with the mission to transfer this knowledge and technologies to other activities
- Team of 23 people (50% scientists - 50% engineers)
 - Agile teams that embed in scientific groups to
- What we do
 - R&D in methodologies and tools for advanced data analysis
 - Operate services for the preservation, analysis and sharing of data



What is PIC?

- Connectivity
 - 2x100 Gbps to Academic Network
 - 100 PB in+out per year
- Data processing services
 - Disk - dCache: 20 PB (+Ceph 3.5 PB raw)
 - Tape - Enstore: 63 PB
 - Computing - HTCondor: 12000 cores, 16 GPUs
 - Computing - Hadoop: 720 cores, 2.5 PB disk
- Facilities, ~120 kW IT
 - ~80 kW in 150 m² air-cooled room
 - ~40 kW in 25 m² liquid immersion cooling system
- Kubernetes, VMs, etc

IBM TS4500



What is PIC?

Traditionally involved in Physics experiments:

- Particle Physics
- Cosmology
- Gamma-ray Astronomy
- Gravitational Waves
- Neutrinos

Recently transferring the knowledge to other fields: bioimaging, materials sciences, health sciences, etc



Early days

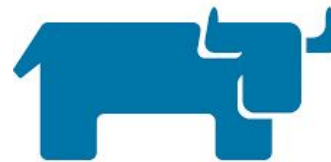
JupyterHub service was started as a testbed to:

- learn kubernetes
- provide interactive access to GPUs



It worked fine but:

- It wasn't integrated with our main resource manager:
HTCondor
 - Independent resources -> idle resources
 - No accounting
 - No priorities



Early days

- Integration with other PIC services wasn't straightforward
 - Access to massive storage with POSIX permissions
 - Importing user HOME
 - Alerts / Monitoring
- Maintenance was hard
 - Custom images and Helm charts apart from the python/conda environment
 - Newbies to k8s
- Looking into the future
 - Dask clusters
 - Connectivity with Hadoop cluster



Current status: Overview

- Launch a jupyter notebook server on PIC's HTC cluster using [jupyterhub](#) and [batchspawner](#)
- User-defined resources
 - CPUs
 - Memory
 - GPUs
- Choose experiment for accounting and POSIX permissions
- Managed with puppet & gitlab CI/CD
- High priority jobs to minimize waiting time

Server Options

Select custom options for your profile

Memory (RSS)

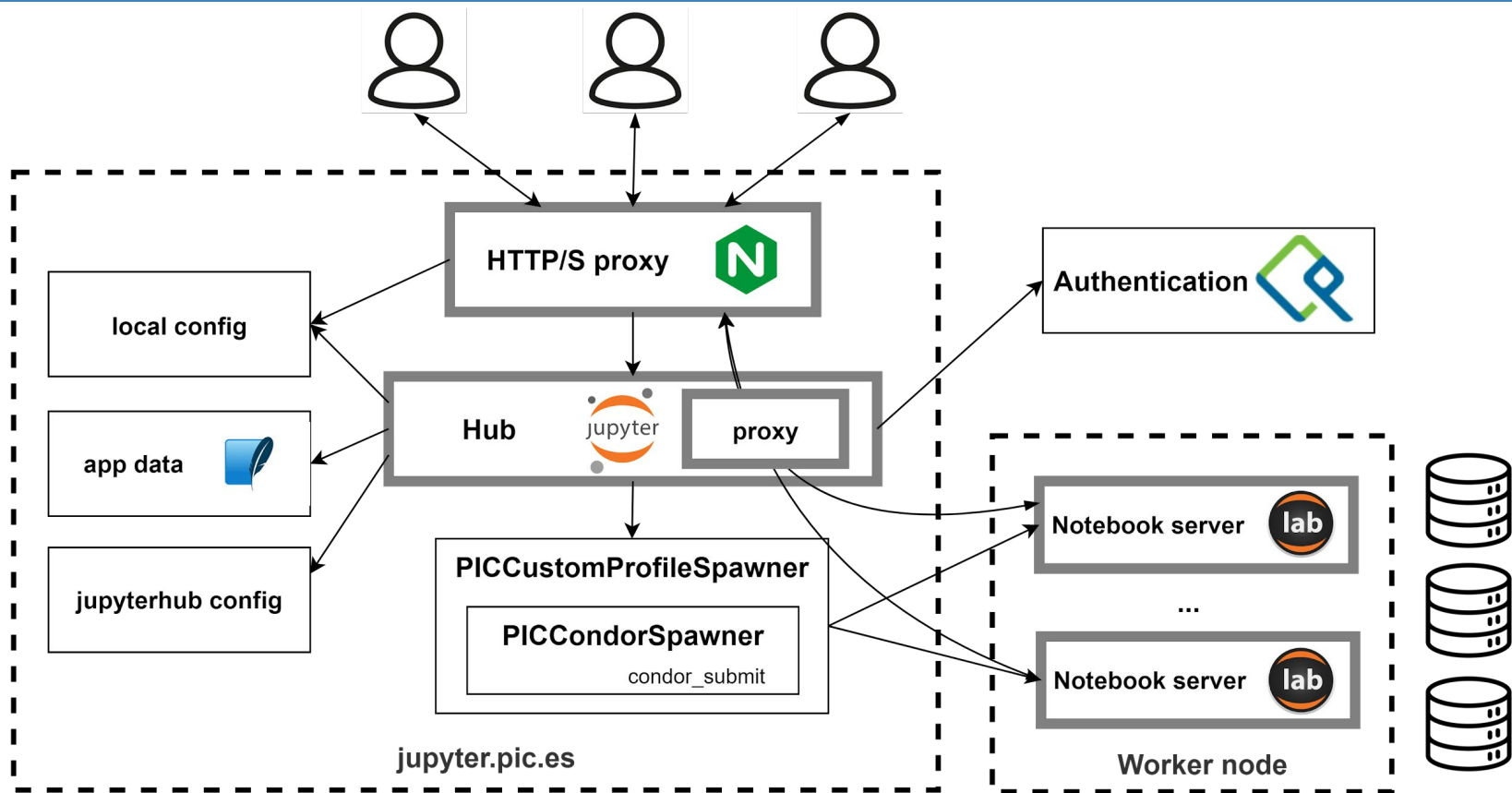
CPUS

GPUS

User options

Experiment	Select your experiment
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Current status: Overview



Current status: environment

We provide a python environment with the most common scientific libraries



Python 3.11



Numpy 1.24



Matplotlib 3.7



pandas 2.0



scipy 1.10

And some additions



astropy



scikit-learn



scikit-image



Dask



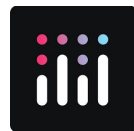
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bokeh



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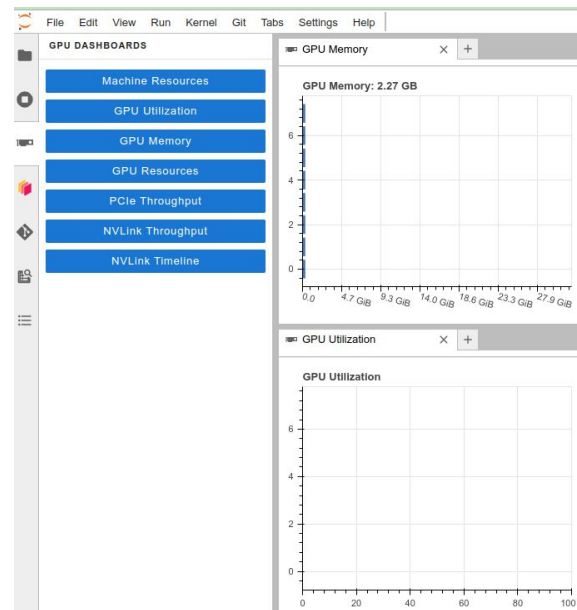
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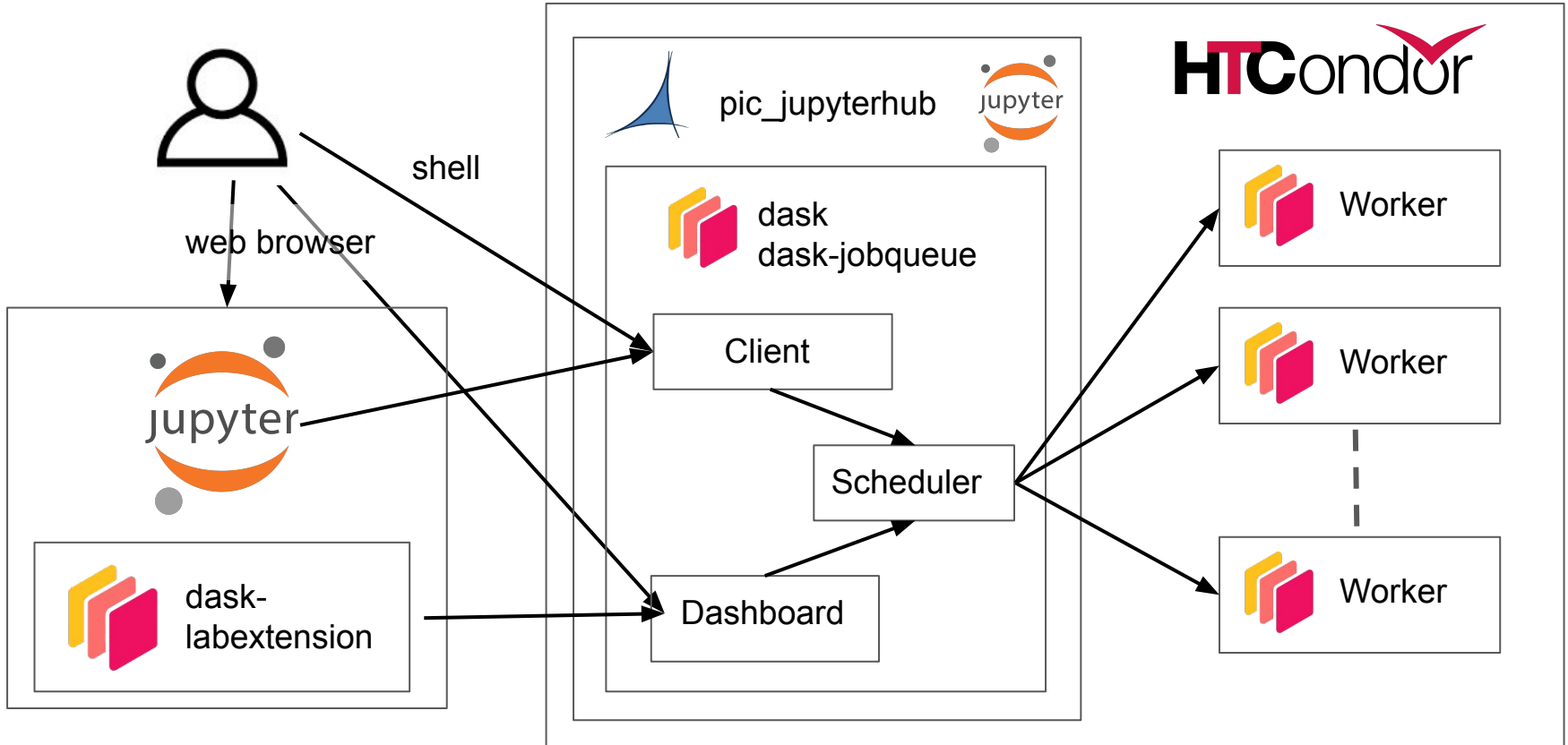
jupyter stack

Current Status: GPUs

- 16 GPUs available at PIC
 - gpu01: **8 x RTX 2080 Ti**, available via jupyter and HTCondor with preemption
 - gpu05: **8 x V100**, available via HTCondor with preemption, and a subset of 4 available via jupyter
- GPU dashboards in jupyterlab show the GPU usage
- No GPU libraries in the base environment
- Number of GPUs is going to scale up by the end of 2024

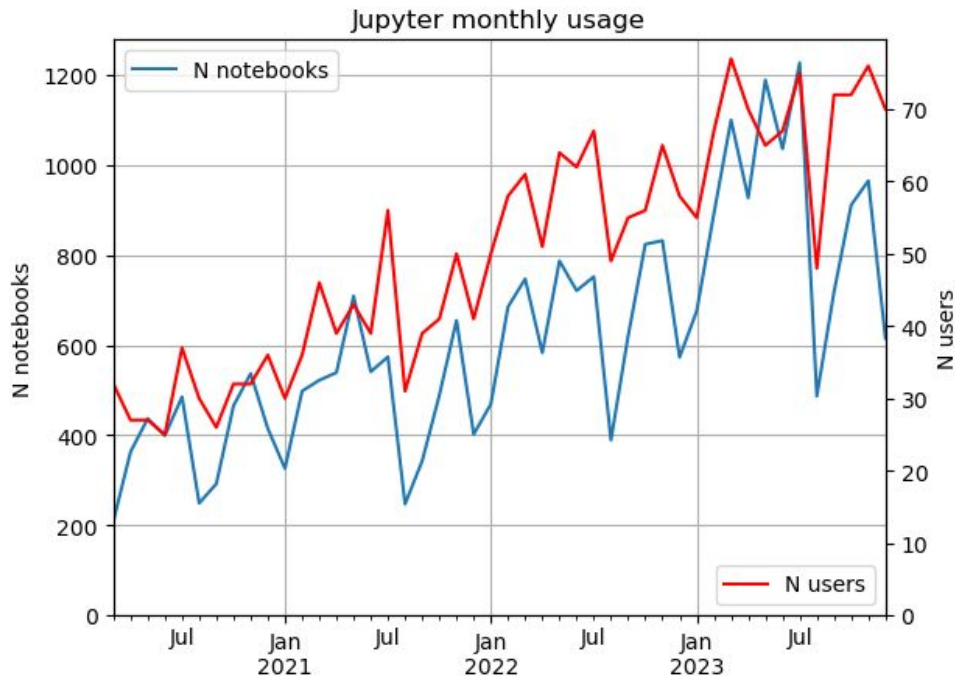


Current Status: Dask



Current Status: usage

- Usage steadily increasing
 - From ~10 to >30 notebooks/day
 - From 25 to 60 active users
- Insignificant resource consumption
 - ~0.01% of total walltime norm
 - Low efficiency ~15%



Data baked by J.Casals

What's next?

The JupyterHub service is very stable.

Well integrated into PIC's main services → **low maintenance**

Flexible for users to use their own software → **few feature requests**

But there's still some roadmap ahead

What's next?

- Environment update
 - jupyterlab 4
 - Rucio-jupyterlab extension
- Integration with PIC's Hadoop Cluster
- Improve Desktop interface
- Provide notebooks to non-typical users
 - 100s of students changing every semester
 - eduGAIN integration
 - This is why we are here
 - Go back to kubernetes (!?)

Thank you!