ARGONNE LEADERSHIP COMPUTING FACILITY

The Argonne Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF), a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science User Facility, provides supercomputing resources and expertise to the scientific and engineering community to accelerate the pace of discovery and innovation in a broad range of disciplines.

The ALCF Computational Performance Workshop and other training opportunities help prepare researchers to efficiently use the facility’s supercomputers.

Breakthrough Science and Engineering

The ALCF’s unparalleled combination of resources is helping scientists advance their research in many fields, enabling high-impact scientific discoveries and transformative technologies.
Enabling Science
With hundreds of thousands of processors working in parallel, supercomputers can run simulations of extremely complex physical systems and model physical processes that are too small or large, costly, or dangerous to study in a laboratory.

World-Class Supercomputing
At around 10 petaflops each, the ALCF’s supercomputers, Mira and Theta, are both capable of approximately 10 quadrillion calculations per second. The facility’s high-performance storage and networking infrastructure is designed to efficiently handle massive amounts of data. To further expedite scientific discovery, the ALCF also hosts a powerful visualization cluster for rapid rendering and analysis.

Entering the Exascale Era
The ALCF’s next-generation system, Aurora, is slated to be one of the nation’s first exascale supercomputers when it is delivered in 2021. Designed in collaboration with industry leaders Intel and Cray, Aurora will help ensure continued U.S. leadership in high-end computing for scientific research, while also cementing the nation’s position as a global leader in the development of next-generation exascale computing systems.

Accessing ALCF Resources
The ALCF is available to any researcher in the world with a large-scale computing problem. Researchers gain access to ALCF systems through competitive, peer-reviewed allocation programs supported by DOE and Argonne National Laboratory, and publish their findings in high-impact journals and publications.

Expertise and Support
The ALCF’s team of computational scientists, performance engineers, visualization experts, and support staff has the skills and expertise to ensure users get the most out of the facility’s high-performance computing systems.

- Multidisciplinary scientific expertise
- Innovative computational methods
- Code porting, tuning, and scaling
- Data sciences
- Visualization and data analysis
- HPC systems administration
- Technical support
- User training

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