



Fermi

Gamma-ray Space Telescope

Torino Cloud users microWorkshop

Short report from
Fermi users

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Fermi-TO on the Cloud

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We plan to start using virtual farm for “real” applications in the next weeks.

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Some questions:

- Is it possible to mount disks of an external machine?
- Is it possible to change the “contextualization” script for the workers (for instanced add a library) without creating a new virtual farm from the web interface?
- Dynamically change the maximum allocated resources?
- Is it worth to use the master vm also as a workstation? (i.e. develop code, make short tests, create plots etc.)