

FAQs related to PBS allocation Manager/Budgeting

Q. How to enable the PBS budget/allocation manager commands?

Users must log in to the PBS allocation manager to access the allocation manager-related commands.

Use the below commands from the login node to enable allocation manager commands,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr login  
[test@ln3 ~]$
```

Note: Passwordless login to amgr has been enabled for all users, and the login token will expire every 3 hours. User must re-login to access allocation manager commands.

Q. How to check the default user budget?

To check the user default budget, please use the below command,

→ amgr checkbalance user -n <pegasus-username>

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr checkbalance user -n test  
{'cost': 49995.53699999999}
```

Q. How to check the list of budget allocation period?

To check the list of budget allocation periods, please use the below command,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr ls period  
global  
Y2025  
Y2026  
Y2024  
2024.h1  
2024.h2  
2024.m6  
2024.m7  
2024.m8  
2024.m9  
2024.m10  
2024.m11  
2024.m12
```

For detailed information, please use “-l”,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr ls period -l
```

Q. How to check the project associated with the user and allocated budget?

To check the project associated with the user, please use the below command,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr ls project
Test-project
```

If no project is associated with a user account, you will get the following output,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr ls project
No records found
```

Each project will have a budget period, from **January to June and July to December (2024.h1&2024.h2)**. To check the balance budget of a project, please use the below command,

→ amgr checkbalance project -n <project-name> -p <period>

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr checkbalance project -n Test-project -p 2024.h1
{'cost': 999.00}
```

Project budget allocation will be subject to proposals and approved by the Time Allocation Committee (TAC).

Q. How to submit the PBS jobs using project name/tag?

To submit the PBS jobs using the project name/tag, please use the commands/parameters below in your job submission script.

```
#PBS -q project          ## Specify the project queue
#PBS -P Test-project     ## Specify the project name/tag
```

Sample command to test the job submission using project name/tag to project queue from command line,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=2:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -q project -P Test-project -- /bin/sleep 100
```

Note: Users with default budget, will not be able to submit the jobs to project queue.

Q. How to submit the PBS jobs using the default budget (50000) without specifying the project name/tag?

The user needs to submit the job without specifying any queue and project name/tag in the job submission script.

Sample command to test the job submission using default quota from command line,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=1:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -- /bin/sleep 100
```



```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr report transaction -i 51276.hn1
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| transaction | account | user | reconciled_cost |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 51276.hn1 | test | test | 0.089 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ amgr checkbalance user -n test
{'cost': 49994.55899999999}
```

Note: After job completion, the unused budget will be re-calculated and added to the user default or project budget.

Q. How to submit the job to debug queue?

To submit the PBS jobs to the debug queue, please use the commands/parameters below in your job submission script.

```
#PBS -q debug                ## Specify the debug queue
```

Sample command to test the job submission using queue name from command line,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=2:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -q debug -- /bin/sleep 100
```

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=2:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -q debug -P Test-project -- /bin/sleep 100
```

Note: User can use the default/project budget to submit the jobs.

Q. How to submit the job to low priority queue?

To submit the PBS jobs to the low-priority queue, please use the commands/parameters below in your job submission script.

```
#PBS -q low_priority         ## Specify the low_priority queue
```

Sample command to test the job submission using queue name from command line,

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=2:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -q low_priority -- /bin/sleep 100
```

```
[test@ln3 ~]$ qsub -l select=2:ncpus=32 -l walltime=1:00:00 -q low_priority -P Test-project -- /bin/sleep 100
```

Note: User can use the default/project budget to submit the jobs.

NOTE: For additional PBS Budgets Commands/information, please refer to the "12.1 Using Budgets" section of the user guide from documentation section.