

Introduction to Cloud Computing

Cloud Computing and Big Data



MODULE – 2

CLASSIC DATA CENTER

Module 2: Classic Data Center (CDC)

Upon completion of this module, you should be able to:

- Describe the key elements of a CDC (compute, storage, and network)
- Describe the common storage networking technologies in a CDC
- Explain business continuity technologies commonly used in a CDC
- Discuss CDC management

Module 2: Classic Data Center (CDC)

Lesson 1: Application, DBMS, Compute, and Storage

Topics covered in this lesson:

- Application and DBMS
- Physical and logical components of a compute system
- Storage device options
- RAID technology and Intelligent storage system

Classic Data Center (CDC)

CDC

A CDC is a facility containing physical IT resources including compute, network, and storage

Classic Data Center

Core elements of CDC

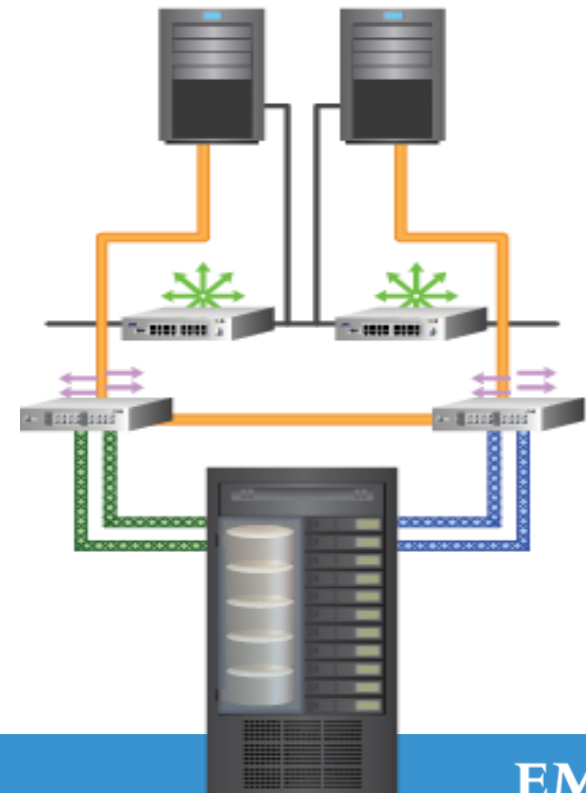
Application

Database Management System (DBMS)

Compute

Storage

Network



Key Requirements of a Data Center



Application

- Commonly deployed applications in a CDC
 - ▶ Business applications
 - ▶▶ E-mail, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP), Decision Support System (DSS), Data Warehouse (DW)
 - ▶ Management applications
 - ▶▶ Resource management, performance tuning
 - ▶ Data protection applications
 - ▶▶ Backup, replication
 - ▶ Security applications
 - ▶▶ Authentication, antivirus
- Key I/O characteristics of an application
 - ▶ Read intensive vs. write intensive
 - ▶ Sequential vs. random

Database Management System (DBMS)

- Database is a structured way to store data in logically organized tables that are interrelated
 - ▶ Helps to optimize the storage and retrieval of data
- DBMS is a collection of computer programs that control the creation, maintenance, and use of databases
 - ▶ Processes an application's request for data
 - ▶ Instructs the OS to retrieve the appropriate data from storage
- Popular DBMS examples are MySQL, Oracle RDBMS, SQL Server, etc.

Compute

Compute

A resource that runs applications with the help of underlying computing components

- Compute consists of physical components (hardware devices) and logical components (software and protocols)
- Physical components of compute are CPU, Memory, and Input/Output (I/O) devices
- I/O devices facilitate the following types of communication:
 - ▶ User to compute: Handled by basic I/O devices such as keyboard, mouse, etc.
 - ▶ Compute to compute/storage: Enabled using host controller or host adapter

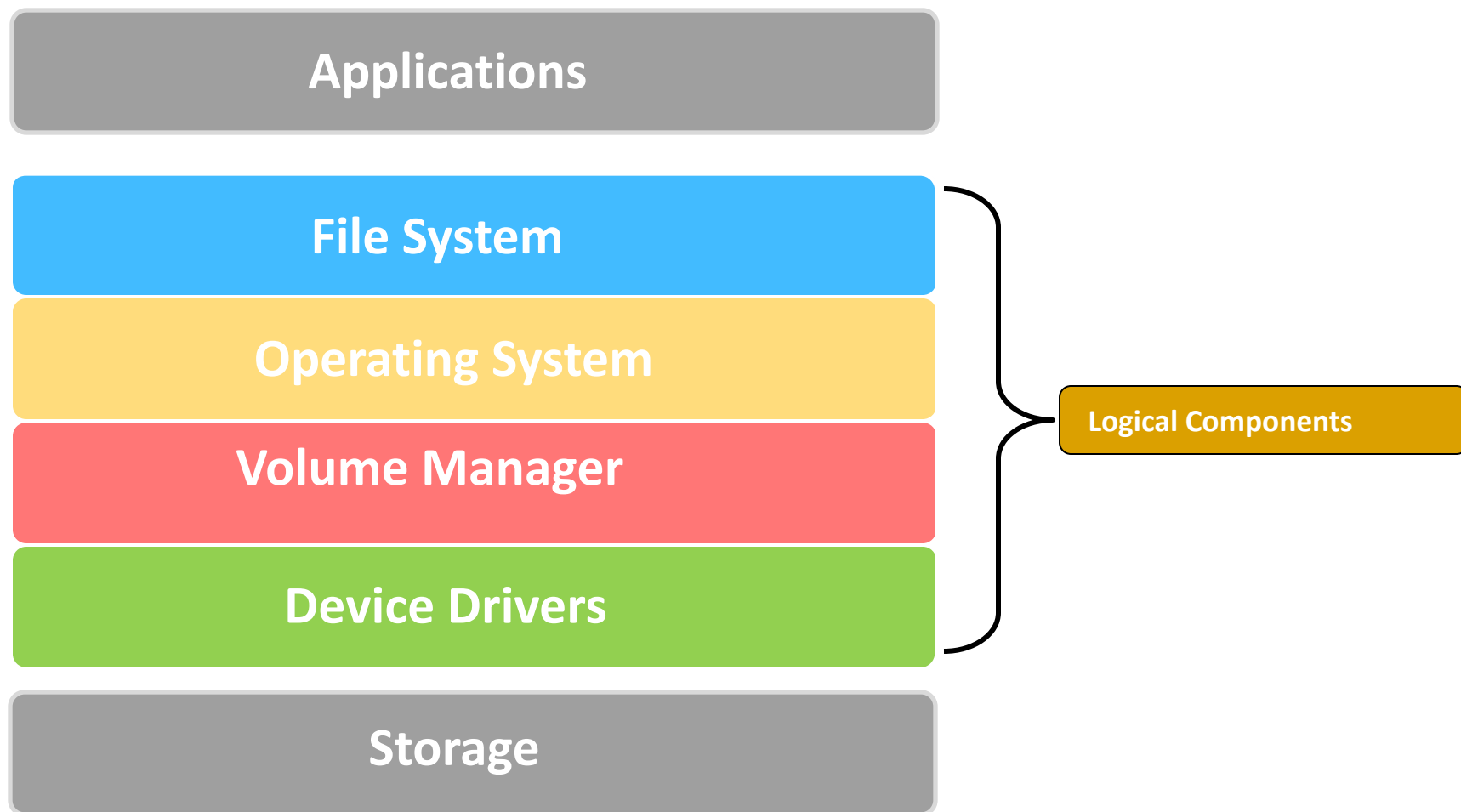
Examples of Compute System

- Examples of compute systems:
 - ▶ Laptops/Desktops
 - ▶ Blade servers
 - ▶ Complex cluster of servers
 - ▶ Mainframes
- Bladed server technology is commonly used to deploy compute systems in a CDC
 - ▶ Consolidates power- and system-level function into a single, integrated chassis
 - ▶ Enables the addition of server modules as hot-pluggable components
 - ▶ Provides increased server performance and availability without increase in size, cost, or complexity

Server Clustering

- Multiple servers (nodes) are brought together in a cluster to improve availability and performance
 - ▶ When a failure occurs on one node in a cluster, resources and workload are redirected to another node
- Exchange **heartbeat** is a checkup mechanism between two nodes
 - ▶ To see whether a node is up and running
 - ▶ A failover is initiated, if heartbeat fails

Logical Components of Compute



Storage

Storage

It is a resource that stores data persistently for subsequent use.

- Data created by individuals/businesses must be stored for further processing
- The type of storage device used is based on the type of data and the rate at which it is created and used
- A storage device may use magnetic, optical, or solid state media
 - ▶ Examples: Disk drive (magnetic), CD (optical), Flash drive (solid state)

Storage Device Options

Tape Drive

- Low cost solution for long term data storage
- Sequential data access, physical wear and tear, and storage/retrieval overheads

Optical Disk

- Write Once and Read Many (WORM): CD, DVD
- Limited in capacity and speed
- Popular in small, single-user environments

Disk Drive

- Random read/write access
- Uses mechanical parts for data access
- Most popular storage device with large storage capacity

Solid State Drive

- Provides ultra high performance required by mission-critical applications
- Very low latency per I/O, low power requirements, and very high throughput per drive

Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID)

RAID

A technology which utilizes multiple disk drives as a set to provide protection, capacity, and/or performance benefits

- Overcomes limitations of disk drives
- Improves storage system performance
 - ▶ By serving I/Os from multiple disks simultaneously
- RAID techniques are:
 - ▶ Striping, mirroring, and parity