

# Extending CloudStack Plugins and Events (and \*)

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# About Me

- ❖ Software Architect at ShapeBlue
- ❖ Specialise in...
  - ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> party integrations and features
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- ❖ CloudStack contributor and committer since 2012
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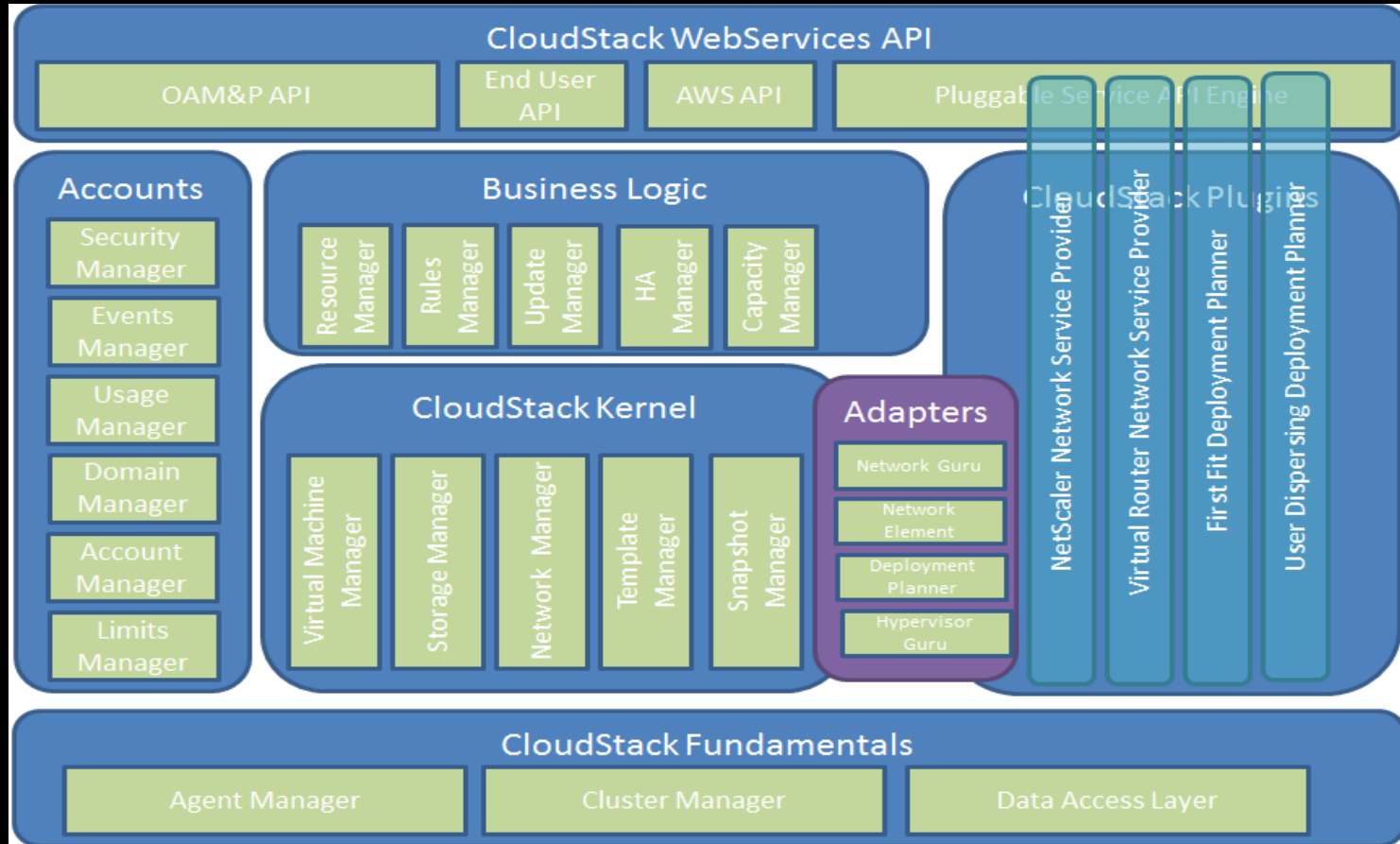
# Why do I need to extend CloudStack?

- ❖ Integrate with 3<sup>rd</sup> party solutions
- ❖ Create new feature and functionality, provide APIs
- ❖ Building solutions on top of CloudStack
- ❖ Get things done

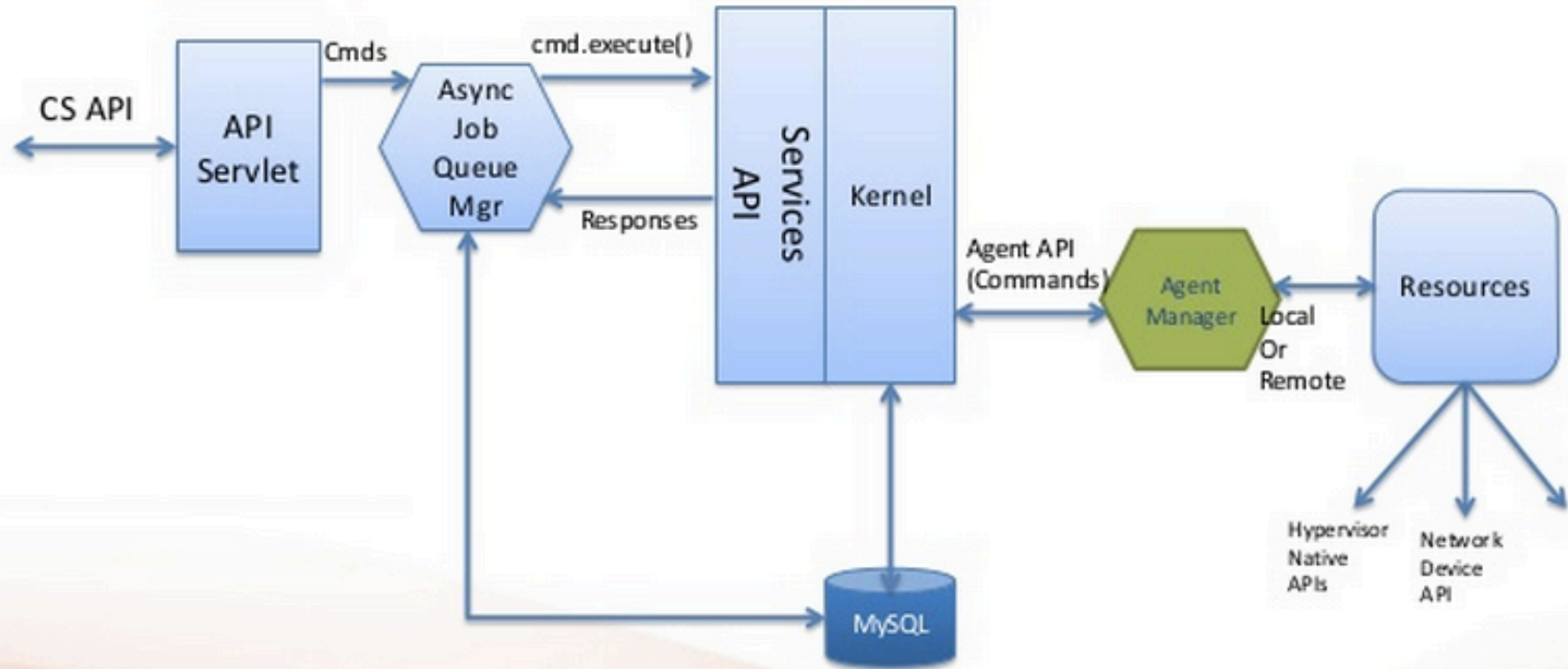
# Extending CloudStack

- ❖ Plugins
- ❖ Auth Plugins
- ❖ Event consumers (AMQP)
- ❖ Thrift Plugin (RPC servers/clients)
- ❖ UI Plugins

# CloudStack Architecture

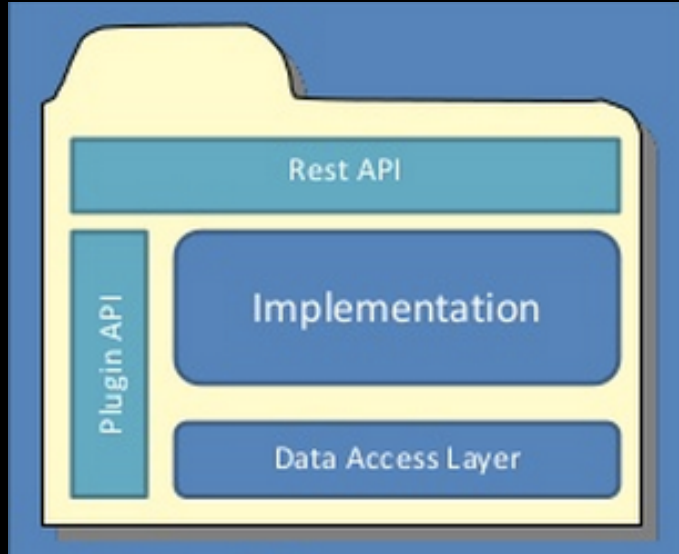


# Life of an API call





# Anatomy of CloudStack Plugin



# How to write a plugin?

Covered in previous CCC talks,  
so let's move on 😊

# Extending CloudStack: Auth Plugin

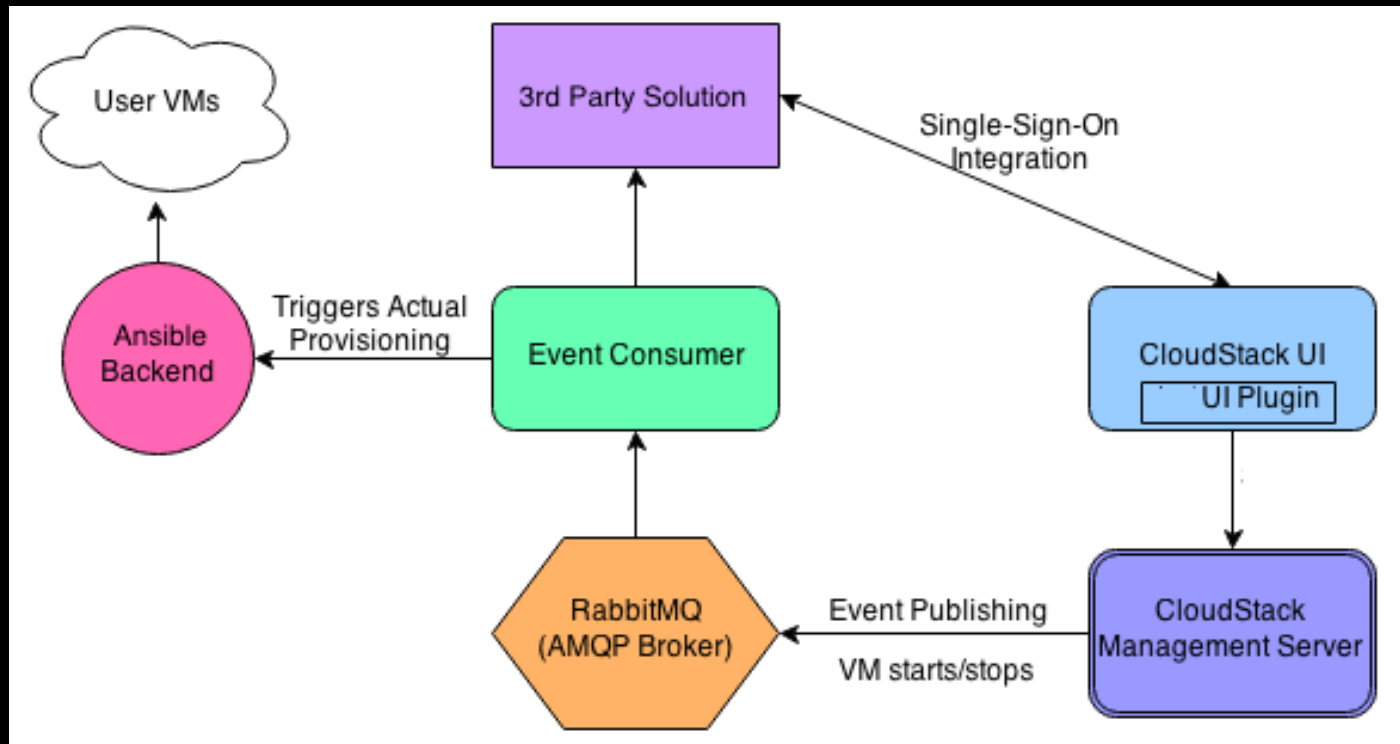
- ❖ Implement a PluggableAPIAuthenticator:
  - List<Class<?>> getAuthCommands();
- ❖ Implement APIAuthenticator for API endpoints:
  - String authenticate(...);
  - APIAuthenticationType getAPIType();
  - setAuthenticators(List<PluggableAPIAuthenticator> authenticators);
- ❖ Endpoint type, APIAuthenticationType:  
LOGIN\_API, LOGOUT\_API

# Walkthrough & Demo SAML2 Auth Plugin

# Extending CloudStack: AMQP Consumer

- ❖ Consumer CloudStack Events over AMQP event bus
- ❖ Better programming model: Event driven vs. Polling
- ❖ Choice of stack for implementing Event consumers, such as Python, Go, Ruby, PHP, Java, C++ etc.
- ❖ Easy setup: Install RabbitMQ, put a Spring bean config xml file in minimum change required, put a bean in `/etc/cloudstack/management/META-INF/cloudstack/core` (<http://cloudstack-administration.readthedocs.org/en/latest/events.html>)

# Extending CloudStack: AMQP Consumer



# Writing a Thrift Plugin (RPC Server/Client)

- ❖ Apache Thrift – software framework for scalable cross-language service deployment, combines software stack ...
- ❖ A new idea to develop independent components bound a common interface (thrift definition) written in different languages
- ❖ Interface bindings are auto-generated so changes can be automatically handled and fixed in many cases
- ❖ Freedom to choice of stacks, implementation
- ❖ Demo and walkthrough

# Extending CloudStack: UI Plugin

- ❖ Write a plugin: `ui/plugins/CCCPlugin`
- ❖ Enable plugin in `ui/plugins/plugins.js`
- ❖ Demo



# Thank You

## Q&A