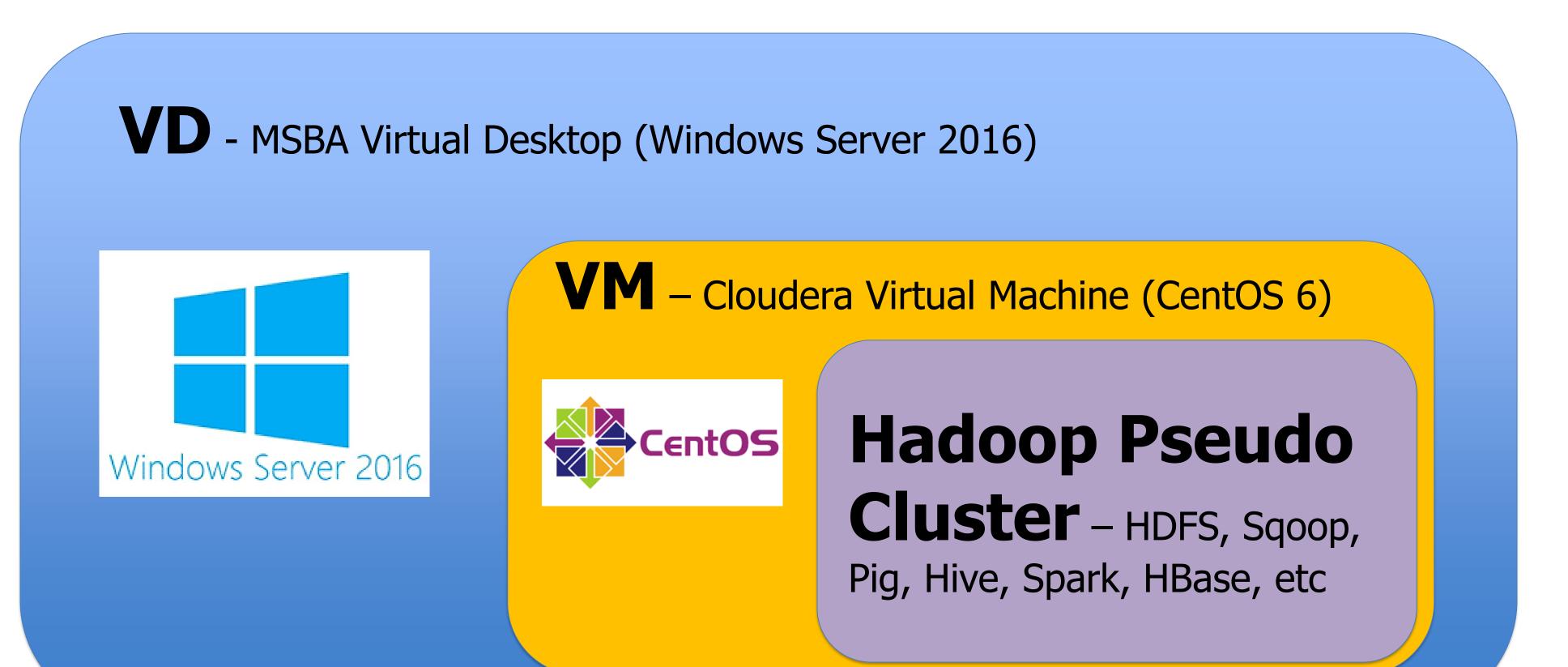




Our Computing Environment

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Computing Architecture



MSBA Virtual Desktop (VD)

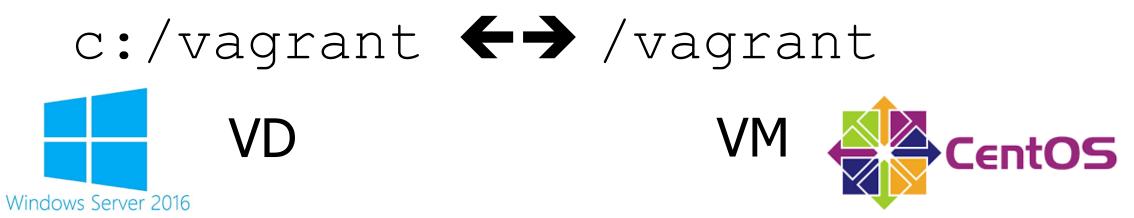
- Current configuration 10GB RAM, 80GB Disk space, with access to the outside Internet
- Requires a Citrix Client to connect
 - Occasionally, after idling the VD for a while, the Citrix client may become irresponsive.
 You'll need to disconnect and reconnect.
- You don't have system admin privilege on VD.
 - If you have suggestions for installing something on this VD, pls email the instructor.
- Files stored in the Documents folder are backed up
 - in case the VD fails and needs to be rebuilt.
 - Save your files in the Documents folder
- Safe to reboot the VD
 - but normally, you probably just want to disconnect.



VM - Cloudera Virtual Machine



- Based on Cloudera QuickStarter VM, customized for the courseware.
- Preinstalled CDH 5.10.x (Cloudera Hadoop distribution).
- By default configured to have 4GB RAM, 1 CPU, and 64GB HDD
 - actual HDD size is much smaller
- It is only visible to the VD (cannot access it outside of VD)
- Its Internet access is limited to the campus network.
- It shares the vagrant folder with VD, which can be used to share files.



• Forwarded ports to VD: 8888 (Hue), 8889 (PySpark), 18088 (Spark History)

How VD interacts with VM

- From VD (using git bash)
 - Brings up the VM: vagrant up (from c:/vagrant)
 - Powers down the VM: vagrant halt (from c:/vagrant)
 - SSH into the VM (one of the two ways):
 - vagrant ssh (from c:/vagrant)
 - ssh cloudera@localhost -p 2222
 - Play the VM using virtualbox for GUI access into the VM
 - You should not start or terminate the VM using virtual box. If you do that you risk damage the VM. Always uses vagrant.
 - the c:/vagrant folder can be used to share files between VM and VD.
 - Using browser to access Hue (http://localhost:8888) and PySpark (http://localhost:8888) on VM.
 - Jupyter on VD also uses port 8888. You should shut down Jupyter to use Hue.

If you're inside the VM (via ssh or GUI)

- VM still has access to campus network, which means it has access to:
 - canvas.umn.edu: download and upload stuff
 - gmail.com: send and receive stuff
 - github.umn.edu: you can see or clone repositories on github.umn
 - MySQL servers: e.g. you can download data from csom-idsdl2.oit.umn.edu
 - UMN web servers or ftp servers: files shared via csom-idsdl.oit.umn.edu
- From the command line
 - Clone a repo: git clone https://your_x500@github.umn.edu/...
 - Download a file on a web server: wget umn_url
 - Upload files to a ftp server (if you have access to one): ftp
 - Share files with VD via the /vagrant folder