Web 2.0 Lecture 9: Cloud Architecture

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What is a Cloud?

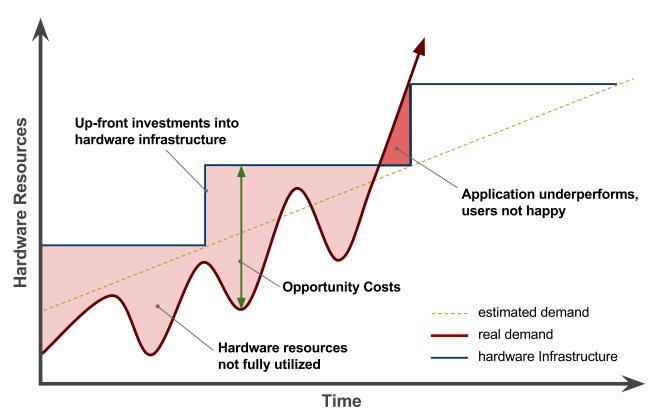
- A different way of thinking
 - Got your grand mum's savings under your pillow?
 - → probably not, you better have them in your bank
 - Data is your major asset
 - you better have them in a "bank" too
 - Someone can abuse your data?
 - banks bankrupt too, sometimes it is a risk you take
 - there is a market and a competition
- Outsourcing of application infrastructure
 - Reliability and availability
 - − Low costs − pay-per-use
 - Elasticity can dynamically grow with your apps

What is a Cloud?

- Any app you access over the web?
- A datacenter?
 - Offers virtualization
 - Any company having a datacenter wants to move to
- Cloud provider should also offer services, such as:
 - scalability, storage
 - Possible to configure programmatically
 - → integration to enterprise administration processes
 - \rightarrow usually REST interface

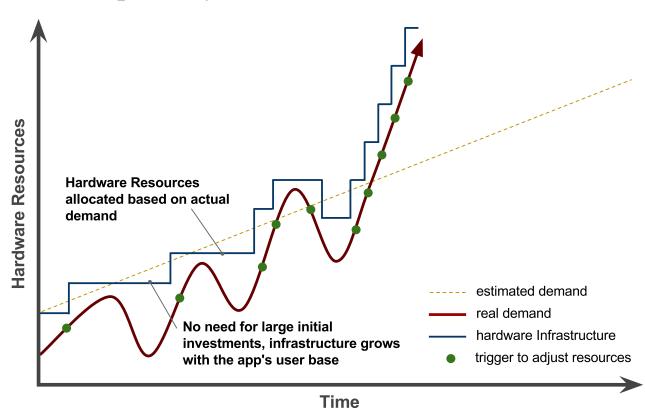
Traditional Solution to Infrastructure

- Traditional hardware model
 - *Up-front hardware investments*
 - Hardware not optimally utilized



Good Performance – Cloud Solution

- Cloud Computing model
 - No up-front hardware investments
 - Hardware optimally utilized



Cloud Computing Concepts

Resource Pooling

- Resources reused by multiple tenants (multitenancy)
- Resources: CPU, memory, storage, network

On-demand and Self-service

- Resources are provisioned as they are requested and when they are required
- No human interaction, automatic

• Scalability and Elasticity

- Infrastructure may grow and shrink according to needs
- Automatic or manual

• Pay-per-use

- Consumers only pay for resources when they use them

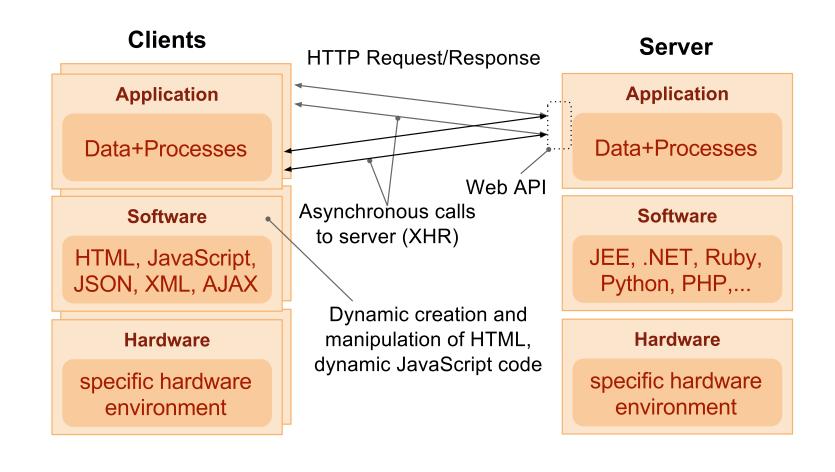
Cloud Computing Concepts (Cont.)

- Service Models (aka Cloud Layers)
 - IaaS Infrastructure as a Service
 - PaaS Platform as a Service
 - \rightarrow MWaaS, DBaaS, ...
 - SaaS Software as a Service
- Deployment Models
 - Public Cloud
 - Private Cloud
 - Hybrid Cloud



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Web 2.0 Web Architecture



IaaS: Infrastructure as a Service

- Provides basic computing resources and services for application providers
 - Services for application providers
 - A consumer is able to deploy and run arbitrary software
- Infrastructure implications
 - Exposing of infrastructure resources through abstraction
 - Support for infrastructure resources compute (hardware/OS/VM), storage, network, etc.
 - Supports isolation for multitenant environments

IaaS: Infrastructure as a Service

Usage

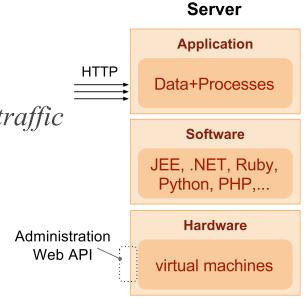
- Predefined machine instances (micro, small, large, extra-large)
 - → Linux OS, 613 MB of memory, 30 GB of Storage, Load Balancer, etc.
- Pay-per-use pay for resources you use (time or amount); no up-front costs

IaaS Services Examples

- Elastic Storage
- Monitoring resources
 - → Amazon CloudWatch)
- Auto Scalling of running instances
- Load Balancing distributing incoming traffic across multiple instances

IaaS providers

- Amazon EC2, GoGrid, Rackspace, OpenNebula, ...

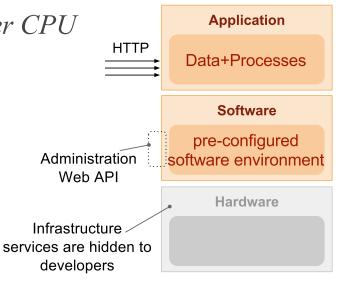


PaaS: Platform as a Service

- Provides scalable platform for applications
 - Services for application providers
 - No costs of buying and managing underlying infrastructure
 - \rightarrow hardware and software
- Infrastructure implications
 - Scalable platform, deploy on-demand
 - Self service interface to deploy applications and services
 - Support for monitoring and measuring platform usage
 - Model supporting isolation in multi-tenant environments

PaaS: Platform as a Service

- Usage
 - Choose software platform, e.g., JEE, .NET, Python, etc.
 - Pay-per-use pay for the resources you use; no up-front costs
- PaaS features
 - Auto Scalling and Load Balancing of applications
 - Persistent Storage usually NoSQL database
 - Local development environment
 - Backends for app instances with higher CPU and memory demands
 - Administration APIs for its services
- PaaS providers
 - Google App Engine, Heroku,
 Windows Azure, etc.
- Limitations
 - HTTP request limit (30 60 sec)
 - No writes to file system, no thread support



Server

SaaS: Software as a Service

- Software delivery model for applications hosted in the cloud
 - typically software for end-users
 - services accessed using a web browser
 - provides API for programmatic access
- SaaS characteristics
 - Typically build on top of IaaS or PaaS
 - Configurable and customizable modern Web applications
 - Usually basic version for free, need to pay for pro version
 - Global availability any computer, any device
 - Easy management automatic and fast updates
 - − Pay-per-use − pay for the time you use
- SaaS providers
 - Google Apps, Salesforce, iCloud, Flickr, Picasa, ...

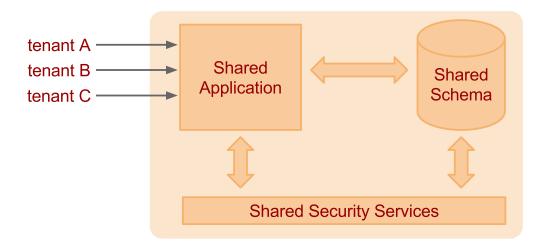
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Multitenancy

- Architectural approach where resources are shared between multiple tenants or consumers
- Implications
 - Centralization of infrastructure in locations with lower costs
 - Peak-load capacity increases
 - Utilisation and efficiency improvements for systems that are not well utilised
- Sharing options
 - Shared Everything
 - Shared Infrastructure
 - → Virtual Machines
 - \rightarrow O/S virtualization

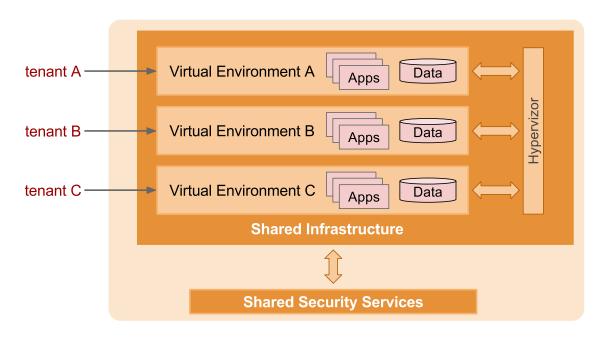
Shared Everything

- Resources are shared between all tenants or consumers
 - tenant: a service consumer
- Common for the SaaS model
- The application should provide tenant isolation
- Data for multiple tenants is stored in the same database tables



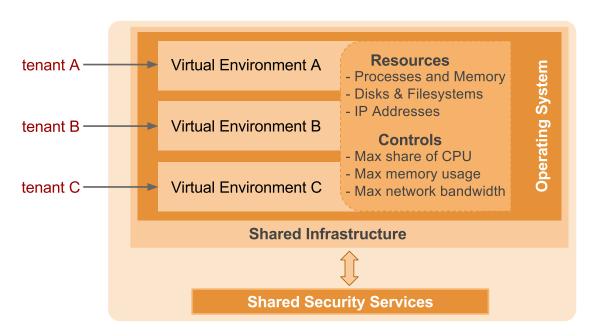
Shared Infrastructure: Virtual Machines

- Infrastructure shared via virtual machines
 - each tenant has its own virtual environment
 - Isolation provided by hypervisor
 - → hypervisor: virtual machine manager, runs virtual machines
 - Resource contention depends on VM capability and configuration
 - Adds an additional layer and processes to run and manage



Shared Infrastructure: OS Virtualization

- Infrastructure shared via OS Virtualization
 - Each tenant has its own processing zone
 - Isolation provided by the operating system
 - Resource contention depends on zone configuration
 - No VMs to run and manage, no abstraction layer between app & OS



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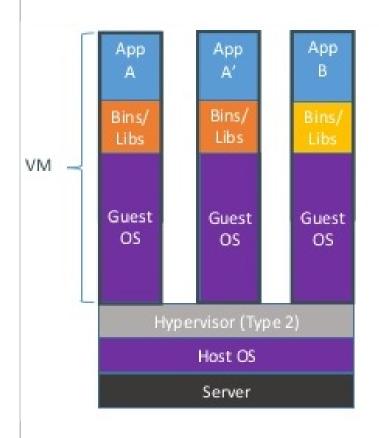
Linux Containers

- Introduced in 2008
- Allow to run a single process in a isolated system-level files and network "virtualization"
- Use much less resources and disk space than traditional virtualization

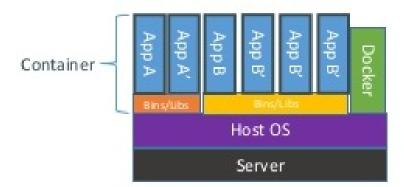
Implementations

- LXC default implementation in Linux
- Docker Containers
 - → Builds on new Kernel features: control groups (cgroups), kernel namespaces, union-capable file system (OverlayFS, AUFS, etc.)
 - \rightarrow A way to build, commit and share images
 - → Build images using a description file called Dockerfile
 - → Large number of available base and re-usable images

VM vs. Docker Containers



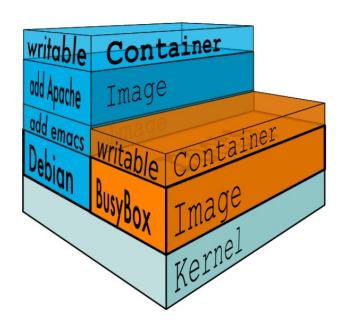
Containers are isolated, but share OS and, where appropriate, bins/libraries



Docker Basic Terms

- Image
 - Bssis for containers.
 - An image contains a union of layered filesystems stacked on top of each other.
 - An image does not have state and it never changes.
- Container
 - A runtime instance of a Docker image, a standard to "ship software".
- Docker Engine
 - The core process providing the Docker capabilities on a host.
- Docker Client
 - Interface that integrates with docker engine.
- Registry
 - A hosted service containing repository of images.
 - A registry provides a registry API to search, pull and push images.
 - Docker Hub is the default Docker registry.
- Swarm
 - A cluster of one or more docker engines.

Docker Images



- Containers are made up of R/O layers via a storage driver (OverlayFS, AUFS, etc.)
- Containers are designed to support a single application
- Instances are ephemeral, persistent data is stored in bind mounts or data volume containers.

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Image Layering with OverlayFS

OverlayFS

- A filesystem service implementing a union mount for other file systems.
- Docker uses overlay and overlay2 storage drivers to build and manage on-disk structures of images and containers.

Image Layering

- OverlayFS takes two directories on a single Linux host, layers one on top of the other, and provides a single unified view.
- Only works for two layers, in multi-layered images hard links are used to reference data shared with lower layers.

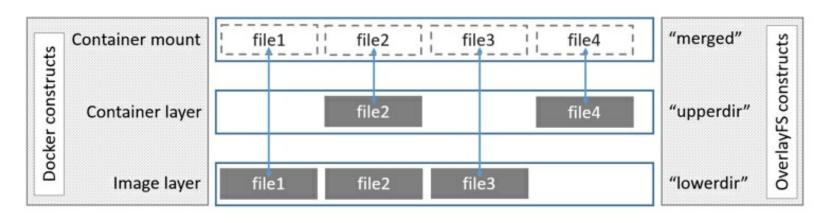


Image Layers Example

• Pulling out the image from the registry

```
$ sudo docker pull ubuntu

Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from library/ubuntu

5ba4f30e5bea: Pull complete
9d7d19c9dc56: Pull complete
ac6ad7efd0f9: Pull complete
e7491a747824: Pull complete
a3ed95caeb02: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:46fb5d001b88ad904c5c732b086b596b92cfb4a4840a3abd0e35dbb6870585e4
Status: Downloaded newer image for ubuntu:latest
```

- Each image layer has its own directory under /var/lib/docker/overlay/.
- This is where the contents of each image layer are stored.
- Directories on the file system

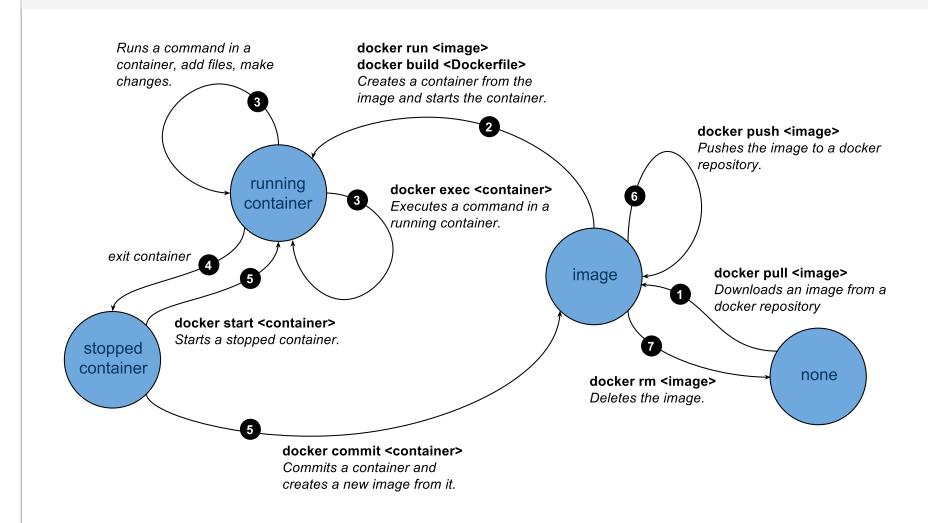
```
$ ls -l /var/lib/docker/overlay/
```

```
total 20
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Jun 20 16:11 38f3ed2eac129654acef11c32670b534670c3a06e483fce313d72e3e0a15baa
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Jun 20 16:11 55f1e14c361b90570df46371b20ce6d480c434981cbda5fd68c6ff61aa0a535
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Jun 20 16:11 824c8a961a4f5e8fe4f4243dab57c5be798e7fd195f6d88ab06aea92ba93165
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Jun 20 16:11 ad0fe55125ebf599da124da175174a4b8c1878afe6907bf7c78570341f30846
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Jun 20 16:11 edab9b5e5bf73f2997524eebeac1de4cf9c8b904fa8ad3ec43b3504196aa380
```

- The organization of files allows for efficient use of disk space.
- There are files unique to every layer and hard links to the data that is shared with lower layers

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Docker Container Lifecycle State Diagram



Commands (1)

docker version

list current version of docker engine and client

docker search <image>

search for an image in the registry

docker pull <image[:version]>

download an image of a specific from the registry if the version is not provided, the latest version will be downloaded

docker images

list all local images

docker run -it <image[:version]> <command>

start the image and run the command inside the image if the image is not found locally, it will be downloaded from the registry option -i starts the container in interactive mode option -t allocates a pseudo TTY

docker ps [-as]

list all running containers option -a will list all containers including the stopped ones. option -s will list the container's size.

Commands (2)

```
docker rm <container>
    remove the container

docker rmi <image>
    remove the image

docker commit <container> <name[:version]>
    create an image from the container with the name and the version

docker history <image>
    display the image history
```

Networking and Linking

- There are 3 docker networks by default
 - bridge container can access host's network (default)
 - → Docker creates subnet 172.17.0.0/16 and gateway to the network
 - → When a container is started, it is automatically added to this network
 - → All containers in this network can communicate each other
 - host − all host's network interfaces will be available in the container.
 - none container will be placed on its own network and no network interfaces will be configured.
- Custom Network configuration
 - You can create a new network and add containers to it
 - Containers in the new network can communicate with each other but the network will be isolated from the host network
- Linking containers (legacy)

```
$ docker run -d --name redmine-db postgres
$ docker run -it --link redmine-db:db postgres /bin/bash
root@c4b12143ebe8:/# psql -h db -U postgres
psql (9.6.1)
Type "help" for help.
postgres=# SELECT inet_server_addr();
postgres=# SELECT * FROM pg_stat_activity \x\g\x
```

- The container sees the provided name as a DNS address

Networking Commands

docker network 1s

lists all available networks

docker network inspect <network-id>

Returns the details of specific network

docker network create --driver bridge isolated_nw
 creates a new isolated network

docker run -it --network=isolated_nw ubuntu bin/bash starts the container ubuntu and attaches it to the isolated network

Data Volumes

Data Volume

- A directory that bypass the union file system
- Data volumes can be shared and reused among containers
- Data volume persists even if the container is deleted
- It is possible to mount a shared sotrage volume as a data volue by using a volume plugin to mount e.g. NFS
- Adding a data volume

```
docker run -d -v /webapp training/webapp python app.py will create a new value with name webapp, the location of the volume can be determined by using docker inspect.
```

• Mount a host directory as a data volume docker run -d -v /src/webapp:/webapp training/webapp python app.py if the path exists in the container, it will be overlayed (not removed), if the host directory does not exist, the docker engine creates it.

Data volume container

- Persistent data to be shared among two or more containers
docker create -v /dbdata --name dbstore training/postgres /bin/true
docker run -d --volumes-from dbstore --name db1 training/postgres
docker run -d --volumes-from dbstore --name db2 training/postgres

Dockerfile

• Dockerfile is a script that creates a new image

```
# This is a comment
FROM oraclelinux:7
MAINTAINER Tomas Vitvar <tomas@vitvar.com>
RUN yum install -q -y httpd
EXPOSE 80
CMD httpd -X
```

• A line in the Dockerfile will create an intermediary layer

```
$ docker build -t tomvit/httpd:v1 .
Sending build context to Docker daemon 2.048 kB
Step 1 : FROM oraclelinux:7
 ---> 4c357c6e421e
Step 2 : MAINTAINER Tomas Vitvar <tomas@vitvar.com>
 ---> Running in 35feebb2ffab
 ---> 95b35d5d793e
Removing intermediate container 35feebb2ffab
Step 3 : RUN yum install -q -y httpd
 ---> Running in 3b9aee3c3ef1
 ---> 888c49141af9
Removing intermediate container 3b9aee3c3ef1
Step 4 : EXPOSE 80
 ---> Running in 03e1ef9bf875
 ---> c28545e3580c
Removing intermediate container 03e1ef9bf875
Step 5 : CMD httpd -X
 ---> Running in 3c1c0273a1ef
```

- If the processing fails at some point, all preceding points will be loaded from the cache on the next run.

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