A very good starting point for understanding the major issues in cloud computing is the 2009 paper

“Above the clouds: a Berkeley view of cloud computing” [25]. A comprehensive survey of peer-to-peer

systems was published in 2010 [306]. Content distribution systems are discussed in [368]. The BOINC platform is presented in [21]. Chord [334] and Credence [366] are important references in the area of

peer-to-peer systems.

Ethical issues in cloud computing are discussed in [350]. A recent book covers topics in the area of

distributed systems, including grids, peer-to-peer systems, and clouds [173].

The standardization effort at NIST is described by a wealth of documents [259–267] on theWeb site

http://collaborate.nist.gov.