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CHAPTER

ONE

PREFACE

1.1 Conventions

\$ When showing examples of commands, the \$ symbol precedes the actual command. So, the other lines are the output obtained after executing the command. An example invoking the ls command follows:

\$ ls

portalname: In some examples we refer to your portal name as **portalname**.

localname: In some examples we refer to your local computers name as **localname**. Your portal name and your local name may be different.

Menu selections: $Start \rightarrow Programs$

Man page: 1s (1)

2 Chapter 1. Preface

ABOUT

The purpose of this documentation is to provide developers and students with a very simple guide on how to get started to program in the cloud. The documentation is available in a variety of formats including:

- PDF
- · epub
- · Web pages

The material is based on practical experience that we gained form interacting with undergraduate students starting from the freshman level to graduate students working on a PhD. Naturally, this means that some material may seem to you very simple and at other times we find that some material may be missing or may have changed over time.

It is a pleasure if you can improve this material and potentially contribute your own section to it. You can coordinate your contribution by contacting Gregor von Laszewski (laszewski@gmail.com).

2.1 Independent Study at IU

Gregor is also an Adjunct Associate Professor at Indiana University in the Computer Science Department and thus can supervise students to take independent studies. Independent studies provide an excellent opportunity to engage more intensely in projects related to cloud computing. Independent studies may not just include cloud computing activities but can also be done on other topics related to computer science. You can als propose your own topic and we can discuss if it is suitable. Almost all programming is done in Python, and Javascript. We accept a suitable small number of projects in Java if necessary as part of the topic. The topics are not listed by priority. One or more topic may be covered in the independent study. We will discuss this in a meeting. The amount of work for a 3 hour independent study is the same for a very demanding class in the departments. Expect 15-20 hours of work per week. Those with significant programming experience will have an easier time.

2.1.1 Cloud Topics

- Develop a cloud portal in django replicate significant functionality of our flask portal)
 - must use bootstrap
 - must use jinja2 in addition to djangos rendering engine
 - must interface with our mongodb (not needed for authentication)
 - must provide a user mashup between the user database from django and our own user database (containing contact information)
- Develop a user management system
- Improve the CLoudmesh Portal with Javascript

- Manage 10000 virtual machines
- Develop a PaaS launcher
- Develop an HPC interface
- Develop improvements to the cloud shell

2.1.2 Data Topics

- Develop a program that solves name ambiguity in bibliographic data by investigating a social network graph
- · Develop a scalable distributed mongo db for our publication data, conduct performance comparisons for searches

2.2 Student Employment at IU

An independent study is also a precursor to gaining employment as a student with him at Indiana University with us. Students without significant programming experience will not be considered. Preference is given to those that have strong background in python and Javascript. If you do not have such knowledge, we expect that you gain it as part of your independent study. In some cases exceptions are made, this may include students that have programmed significantly in other projects.

Employment is mostly done on an hourly rate. During the time of employment we also recommend that students take an independent study with Gregor. IN some cases this is mandatory to be considered. Thus plan your independent studies carefully.

2.3 Contributing to the Manual

If you have a good chapter that you like to integrate into this manual, please contact Gregor von Laszewski (laszewski@gmail.com).

Suggestions include:

- Development Ecosystem
 - git
 - virtualenv
 - introduction to python
 - introduction to Javascript
 - flask
 - django (we have some material to start with)
 - explain how to create commands in cm with cmd3
- Cloud
 - get an account on FutureGrid (possibly just a link)
 - use nova client from the command shell
 - python example on how to manage vms with cloud mesh API & shell
 - IaaS Intro (pick your IaaS)
 - PaaS Intro (pick your Platform)

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CHAPTER

FOUR

CLOUD ACCOUNTS

4.1 Creating FutureSystems Accounts and Projects

Warning: please note that in the videos we refer to FutureGrid, however starting October 1, 2014, the Web site will be called FutureSystems to access resources and apply for accounts. Also be aware that the manual is located at http://mycloudmesh.org/learning

This series of screencasts will walk you through the account and project creation processes of FutureSystems. We have targeted the following areas:

- · creating a portal account
- · creating a project
- · joining a project
- · creating a class project
- · add a ssh key
- add an OpenID to the portal account

The material will allow you to easily get onto FutureSystems and either create your own project or join an existing one

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		the	
		Lessons	
You			
(jihe)	5:10	Create a	This lesson explains you how to create a portal account which is the first step
c7mjKI8mJ	wsmin	portal	in getting access to FutureSystems. For written material, see section
		account	s-account-create-account.
You			
(113)	1:35	Upload an	This lesson explains you how to upload and use an OpenID to login easily into
rZzpCY-	min	OpenID	the FutureSystems portal. For written material, see section <i>s-account-openid</i> .
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(ith)	2:39	Upload a	This lesson explains you how to upload and use a SSH key to login into the
4wjVwQbO		SSH key	FutureSystems resources. For written material, see section <i>s-portal-sshkey</i> .
You			
(Tile)	6:25	Create a	This lesson explains you how to create a FutureSystems project. For written
DzbLS6iCe'			material, see section <i>s-account-create-account</i> .
	1 111111	project	material, see section s-account-create-account.
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	1:28	Join a	This lesson explains you how to join a FutureSystems project. For written
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4.1.1 Exercises

Creating FutureGrid Accounts and Projects

- 1. Create a portal account on FutureGrid.
- 2. Identify an interesting project that you can conduct on FutureGrids Cloud, HPC, or Grid resources.
- 3. Apply for a FutureGrid project or join a project.
 - See section *s-account-join-project*.
- 4. Read up on what a ssh key is.
 - See section Using SSH Keys.
- 5. Upload a ssh key.
 - Do this via https://portal.futuregrid.org/my/ssh-keys
- 6. Register your OpenID in the portal (for example if you use google).
- 7. Upload a 220x220 pixel portrait of yours to the portal.
 - Do this via https://portal.futuregrid.org/my/edit
- 8. Make sure you have uploaded a small Bio written in third person.
 - Do this via https://portal.futuregrid.org/my/Contact

4.2 Using SSH Keys

Page Contents

- Using SSH from Windows
- · Generate a SSH key
- Add or Replace Passphrase for an Already Generated Key
- Upload the key to the FutureSystem Portal
- · Testing your ssh key



Hint:

If you do not know what ssh is we recommend that you read up on it. However, the simple material presented here will help you getting started quickly on FutureSystem. Some screencasts about this topic are available in section *Creating FutureSystems Accounts and Projects*.

To access the various FutureSystem resources, you need to provide a public ssh key to FutureSystem. We explain how to generate a ssh key, upload it to the FutureSystem portal and log onto the resources. This manual covers both UNIX and Windows Users.

4.2.1 Using SSH from Windows

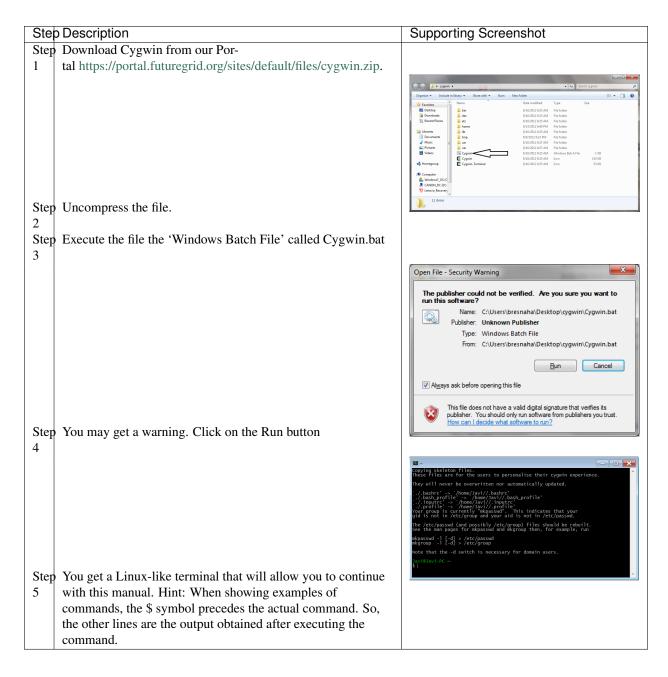


For Linux users, please skip to the section Generate a SSH key

Windows users need to have some special software to be able to use the SSH commands. If you have one that you are comfortable with and know how to setup key pairs and access the contents of your public key, please feel free to use it. The most popular software making ssh clients available to Windows users include

- cygwin
- putty
- or installing a virtualization software and running Linux virtual machine on your Windows OS.

For a real quick start we recommend you use Cygwin (Linux-like environment for Windows) because it will ease your experience with FutureSystem and provide you with a command shell that is Linux like. If you have cygwin already installed, please use it, but make sure you have ssh installed. If not, we have made it even easier for you as we prepared a special Cygwin version that is ready to use. Once you have installed it, you can follow the same instructions as given in the rest of the sections presented to access FutureSystem from ssh. You can install cygwin it with the following simple steps.



4.2.2 Generate a SSH key



In case you do not want to type in your password everytime, please learn about ssh-agent and ssh-add.

First we must generate a ssh key with the tool ssh-keygen. This program is commonly available on most UNIX systems (this includes Cygwin if you installed the ssh module or use our pre-generated cygwin executable). It will ask you for the location and name of the new key. It will also ask you for a passphrase, which you MUST provide. Some teachers and teaching assistants advice you to not use passphrases. This is WRONG as it allows someone that gains access to

your computer to also gain access to all resources that have the public key. Also, please use a strong passphrase to protect it appropriately.

In case you already have a ssh key in your machine, you can reuse it and skip this whole section.

To generate the key, please type:

Example:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -C localname@indiana.edu
```

This command requires the interaction of the user. The first question is:

```
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/localname/.ssh/id_rsa):
```

We recommend using the default location ~/.ssh/ and the default name id_rsa. To do so, just press the enter key.



Hint

Please note that your *localname* is the username on your computer and may be different from your *portalusername*.

The second and third question is to protect your ssh key with a passphrase. This passphrase will protect your key because you need to type it when you want to use it. Thus, you can either type a passphrase or press enter to leave it without passphrase. To avoid security problems, you **MUST** chose a passphrase. Make sure to not just type return for an empty passphrase:

```
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
and:
Enter same passphrase again:
```

If executed correctly, you will see some output similar to:

Once, you have generated your key, you should have them in the .ssh directory. You can check it by

```
$ cat ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

If everything is normal, you will see something like:

 $\verb|sh-rsa|| AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAABAQCXJH2iG2FMHqC6T/U7uB8kt6KlRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HKblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw9sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUOjgw0sc4Uu+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+HkblRh4kUU+Uwe/EwD0wk6CBQMB+$

4.2.3 Add or Replace Passphrase for an Already Generated Key

In case you need to change your change passphrase, you can simply run "ssh-keygen -p" command. Then specify the location of your current key, and input (old and) new passphrases. There is no need to re-generate keys:

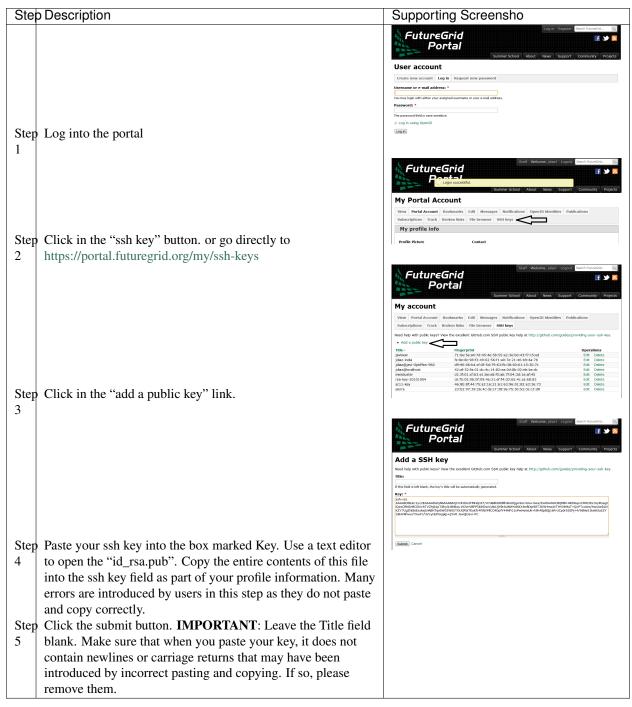
```
ssh-keygen -p
```

You will see the following output once you have completed that step:

```
Enter file in which the key is (/home/localname/.ssh/id_rsa):
Enter old passphrase:
Key has comment '/home/localname/.ssh/id_rsa'
Enter new passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved with the new passphrase.
```

4.2.4 Upload the key to the FutureSystem Portal

Next you need to upload the key to the portal. You must be logged into the portal to do so.



At this point you have uploaded your key. However you will still need to wait till all accounts have been set up to use the key, or if you did not have an account till it has been created by an administrator. Please, check your email for further updates. You can also refresh this page and see if the boxes in your account status information are all green. Than you can continue.

4.2.5 Testing your ssh key

If you have had no FutureSystem account before, you need to wait for up to two business days so we can verify your identity and create the account. So please wait. Otherwise, testing your new key is almost instantaneous on india. For

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other clusters like it can take around 30 minutes to update the ssh keys.

To log into india simply type the usual ssh command such as:

```
$ ssh portalname@india.futuregrid.org
```

The first time you ssh into a machine you will see a message like this:

```
The authenticity of host 'india.futuregrid.org (192.165.148.5)' can't be established. RSA key fingerprint is 11:96:de:b7:21:eb:64:92:ab:de:e0:79:f3:fb:86:dd. Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
```

You have to type yes and press enter. Then you will be logging into india. Other FutureSystem machines can be reached in the same fashion. Just replace the name india, with the appropriate FutureSystems resource name.

CHAPTER

FIVE

IPYTHON

5.1 IPython

IPython is a python command shell with notebook features that can be accessed through a browser. Throughout the material presented here we will be using IPython to present some of the demonstrations. This also allows you to try out the various excersises easily. We present here just a small set of features and recommend you to visit the IPython manaul for more information

5.1.1 Command Execution

To execute a shell command you can specify the ! at the beginning of a line

```
!echo "hallo"
hallo
```

5.1.2 Environment Variables

Environment variables can be accessed with \$\$

```
!echo "$$EDITOR"
emacs
```

Variables can be accessed by assigning values with = and by using them in { }

5.1.3 Variables

```
a="Hallo"
!echo "{a}"
Hallo
```

5.1.4 Surpressing output

Output can be surpressed while using the %%capture command. These commands are called magic functions in IPython. Many more magic functions are documented in the IPython manual

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```
%%capture
!echo "You can not see me"
!echo "You can see me"
You can see me
```

PARALLEL SHELL

Traditionally system administrators and developers using parallel computing need tools to manage a significant number of machines. One of the requirements is to execute a command in parallel on many machines and gather its output. There are many tools that can achieve this task. We focus here on the introduction of the following tools:

- 1. pdsh a parallel distributed shell
- 2. fabric python framework to execute commands on remote computers
- 3. Cloudmesh Sequential and Parallel python functions for executing repeatedly commands with caching

6.1 Parallel Distributed Shell (pdsh)

The parallel distributed shell (pdsh) is a shell command line program that allows the execution of commands not just on one computer but on a list of computers.

An online version of the manual pages is located at

• http://linux.die.net/man/1/pdsh

An important feature is that the list of hosts can be specified in a convenient form that is also kwon as hostlists. This format allows you to define a list of hosts based on some abbreviation. For example the string:

```
host[0-3]
```

will create a host list containing the hosts:

```
host0, host1, host2, host3
```

Furthermore, substitutions for the user and the hostname to login to the remote machine while leveraging ssh config files make this tool real easy to use. One such example:

```
pdsh -R exec -w host[0-3] ssh -x -l %u %h hostname
```

executes the command hostname on all specified machines.

Todo

At this time we are not aware that pdsh is installed by default on india. check with the systems group and have them provide a documentation on how we activate it.

6.2 Fabric

Fabric is a Python command-line tool and library for assisting system administration tasks related to the execution of command via ssh. It includes the ability to execute commands on the local machine, but also on a remote machine. Due to the integration with Python function definitions, it has also somewhat the ability to write "target" like specifications that we may know from makefiles. However it is more sophisticated as we can use the full feature richness of python.

The web page of Fabric which includes several examples and tutorials is located at:

• http://www.fabfile.org

Similar to the previous command we like to start the command hostname on a number of machines. To install fabric you simply say:

```
pip install fabric
```

in your virtualenv. Next, we define a file called fabfile.py with the following contents:

```
from fabric.api import run
def hostname():
    run('hostname')
```

Next let us run this command on the local computer and test it out:

```
fab -H localhost hostname
```

This will execute the function defined with the name hostname and print it via the run command. To execute the command on multiple hosts, you can simply specify them as part of the -H argument:

```
fab -H host0, host1, host2, host3 hostname
```

6.3 Cloudmesh Parallel API

The previous commands are all developed with a single user in mind, i.e. a single user executes the command. However in the age of cloud computing what would happen if thousands of users were to execute the same task, or even when ten users execute the same task, but the task would take considerable compute time to calculate? The answer is obvious, we would waste valuable compute resources as we do not take into consideration that the same task may be run by multiple people. To overcome this challenge we have started a simple demonstration program in our cloudmesh repository to partially address this issue.

To do so we are at this time we are only focusing on the consecutive execution of a command in a particular time period. Instead of executing the command over and over, we will simply return the result from a result cache. The cache has a specific time to life in which no new results are created but the result is read from the cache. New requests are cached.

We recognize that the example we provide is not a complete solution to our problem, but a step in the right direction. I also has the advantage of being relatively simple and introducing you to a number of tools and concepts that will become important when dealing with parallelism in the cloud.

6.3.1 Requirements

- 1. A computer with python 2.7
- 2. Using a python virtualenv
- 3. Having downloaded the cloudmesh code with git clone as discussed elsewhere

4. Having installed the cloudmesh code and libraries as discussed elsewhere

6.3.2 Code

The code is located in the directory:

```
cloudmesh_examples/example_mongo
```

within the cloudmesh code you have cloned from github. The code contains two python functions called Sequential and Parallel, that allow users to run commands either sequentially or in parallel on a number of hosts. The hosts can be specified in a yaml file located in:

```
~/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh_hpc.yaml
```

An example would be:

```
meta:
  yaml_version: 3.0
  kind: hpc
cloudmesh:
    hpc:
        alamo:
            cm_host: alamo.futuregrid.org
            cm_type: hpc
            username: albert
        india:
            cm_host: india.futuregrid.org
            cm_type: hpc
            username: albert
        sierra:
            cm_host: sierra.futuregrid.org
            cm_type: hpc
            username: albert
        bigred:
            cm_host: bigred2.uits.iu.edu
            cm_type: hpc
            username: albert
```

This file is used to specify the username for each host and define the host names. In case you want to run commands on the hosts you can do this with the following python program.

The first command executes the task sequentially over the array given in the first parameter. The second one executes it in parallel. Instead of just presenting you with a bare bones program we present you with some additional features that are worth noting and may come in handy in future. This includes the availability of a named stopwatch and the ability to read configuration parameters easily from a yaml file. Sometimes it is also nice to have very visible debug messages that we create with a banner function. Results are often more readable when using the python pprint function instead of just the print function. This is especially true when we print data-structures such as arrays and dicts. Next we will present the program and explain a selected number of features by commenting them in the code. We assume you know by now elementary python.

```
from cloudmesh_task.tasks import cm_ssh
from cloudmesh_task.parallel import Parallel, Sequential
from cloudmesh.util.stopwatch import StopWatch
from cloudmesh_common.util import banner
from pprint import pprint
from cloudmesh.config.cm_config import cm_config
from cloudmesh.config.ConfigDict import ConfigDict
import sys
```

```
# read the information from the yaml file into a dict called config
config = ConfigDict(filename="~/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh_hpc.yaml")["cloudmesh"]["hpc"]
# a function to extract from the config file the username from all
# hostnames in the array hosts
def get_credentials(hosts):
   credential = {}
    for host in hosts:
        credential[host] = config[host]['username']
    return credential
# find all hostnames from the config file
hosts = config.keys()
# find all credentials (username, hostname) from the hosts in the
# config file
credentials = get_credentials(hosts)
# create a stop watch
watch = StopWatch()
# execute is a python function. It is either Parallel or Sequential
# * modify
   for execute in [Sequential]:
    for execute in [Parallel]:
for execute in [Sequential, Parallel]:
    # get the name of the function
    name = execute.__name___
    # print the name of the function and start the timer
   banner(name)
   watch.start(name)
    # execute the function and return the result in a dict
   result = execute(credentials, cm_ssh, command="qstat")
    # stop the timer and print the result dict
   watch.stop(name)
   pprint(result)
    # only print the output from the command we executed
   banner("PRINT")
    for host in result:
       print result[host]["output"]
# print the timers
for timer in watch.keys():
   print timer, watch.get(timer), "s"
```

Bug: Before you start the command, you have to start a new window and say fab fab manage.mongo in the cloudmesh directory where your fabfiles are located. This will give something like:

```
$ fab manage.mongo
[localhost] local: make -f cloudmesh/management/Makefile mongo
```

```
mongod --noauth --dbpath . --port 27777
all output going to: /usr/local/var/log/mongodb/mongo.log
```

To run the command you will need to start the caching backend services. to do so we created a simple program cm-task.py that will be used to start and stop the services:

1 - all start

This will bring up the necessary services and look similar to:

```
----- celery@host.local v3.1.13 (Cipater)
---- ***
--- * *** * -- Darwin-13.3.0-x86_64-i386-64bit
-- * - **** ---
- ** ----- [config]
- ** ----- .> app:
                             cloudmesh_task:0x10365bcd0
- ** ----- .> transport: amqp://guest:**@localhost:5672//
- ** ----- .> results:
                              amqp
- *** --- * --- .> concurrency: 10 (prefork)
-- *****
--- **** ---- [queues]
----- .> celery
                                exchange=celery(direct) key=celery
[tasks]
 . cloudmesh_task.tasks.cm_ssh
[2014-08-19 15:46:24,060: INFO/MainProcess] Connected to amqp://guest:**@localhost:5672//
[2014-08-19 15:46:24,071: INFO/MainProcess] mingle: searching for neighbors
[2014-08-19 15:46:25,098: INFO/MainProcess] mingle: sync with 10 nodes
[2014-08-19 15:46:25,099: INFO/MainProcess] mingle: sync complete
[2014-08-19 15:46:25,109: WARNING/MainProcess] celery@host.local ready.
[2014-08-19 15:46:28,352: INFO/MainProcess] Events of group {task} enabled by remote.
```

After this you can start the program repeatedly with:

```
$ python prg.py
```

We are committing some of the output but at the end ist should look something like:

8248.sub aaaa 5366.sub aaaa 2428.sub aaaa terJob bbbbbb	0	Q	delta delta
5366.sub aaaa 2428.sub aaaa		Q	delta
	0		
terJob bbbbbb		Q	delta
	0	Q	batch
593.sub aaaa	0	Q	delta
114.sub aaaa	0	Q	delta
r_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc 883:55	: 5	R	batch
r_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 902:18	: 4	R	batch
ix dddddddd 360:36	: 1	R	echo
r_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc	0	Н	batch
r_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc	0	Н	batch
t eeee 15:08:	0 (R	bravo
t eeee 14:33:	L 9	R	bravo
-inca aaaa	0	Q	bravo
ir-inca aaaa	0	Q	bravo
-inca aaaa	0	Q	bravo
N ffffffff 00:10:	17	R	delta
cript.i21500 gggggg 00:00:	L1	R	batch
	er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 902:18: fix ddddddd 360:36: er_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc st eeee 15:08:0 st eeee 14:33:1 sir-inca aaaa cin ffffffff 00:10:1	er_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc 883:55:5 er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 902:18:4 fix ddddddd 360:36:1 er_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc 0 er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 15:08:00 et eeee 15:08:00 et eeee 14:33:19 einca aaaa 0 eir-inca aaaa 0 eir-inca aaaa 0 eir-inca ffffffff 00:10:17	er_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc 883:55:5 R er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 902:18:4 R fix dddddddd 360:36:1 R er_in_sol_ph7 ccccccc 0 H er_in_sol_ph5 ccccccc 0 H st eeee 15:08:00 R st eeee 14:33:19 R l-inca aaaa 0 Q cir-inca aaaa 0 Q l-inca aaaa 0 Q IN fffffffff 00:10:17 R

Please note that we have replaced the real usernames.

When you execute this command you will notice That the parallel execution time is much faster. In this case it was within the TTL and thus read the cache value from the cache. Executing the command again within the TTL will give you also for the sequential time a real short value:

```
Sequential 0.00726103782654 s
Parallel 0.000990867614746 s
```

It is not surprising the parallel result is even faster than the sequential one as the information gathering even from reading it out from the cache is done in parallel and no resource congestion exists at the scale we use for our example.

Let us now compare the true time between sequential and parallel execution. Simply modify the code in the * line and replace the loop accordingly:

```
Sequential 12.681866169 s
Parallel 6.51530909538 s
```

Thus we see two interesting performance improvements

First, the performance improvement for running the queries in parallel. Second, the improvement of retrieving the results from a cache. The later is important if we have many user on the system executing the same command.

The lesson we learn is that clouds must make use of execution parallelism as well as addressing reuse of repeated results.

6.4 Exercises

- 1. Is pdsh installed? Where
- 2. Return the hostname of the machines sierra, india and foxtrot via the fabric command

- 3. Execute the command qstat with fabric on sierra and india. If you have an account on bigred2, please try it also there
- 4. Run the cloudmesh Sequential and parallel program. Modify your cloudmesh file accordingly
- 5. Advanced: compare the performance of the cache backend between Mongodb and the use of RabbitMQ while switching RabbitMQ out with Redis in the Celery code.

6. Advanced: provide a documentation on how to run celery for this example on Redis.

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CLOUDMESH

7.1 Cloudmesh Overview

We have provided some documentation about cloudmesh at http://cloudmesh.github.io/index.html.

Cloudmesh is an important component to deliver a software-defined system – encompassing virtualized and bare-metal infrastructure, networks, application, systems and platform software – with a unifying goal of providing Cloud Testbeds as a Service (CTaaS). Cloudmesh federates a number of resources from academia and industry. This includes existing FutureGrid infrastructure (4704 cores used by more than 355 projects), Amazon Web Services, Azure, HP Cloud, Karlsruhe using various technologies.

An high level architectural image is provided at

Figure 7.1: Figure: High level architecture of Cloudmesh

The three layers of the Cloudmesh architecture include a Cloudmesh Management Framework for monitoring and operations, user and project management, experiment planning and deployment of services needed by an experiment, provisioning and execution environments to be deployed on resources to (or interfaced with) enable experiment management, and resources.

Before continuing we recommend that you look at the following sections on the cloudmesh web page:

- http://cloudmesh.github.io/cloudmesh.html
- http://cloudmesh.github.io/cloud.html
- http://cloudmesh.github.io/rain.html
- http://cloudmesh.github.io/hpc.html

In this document we like to focus on the actual implementation of cloudmesh and how the various components are structured. For this purpose we have redrawn the Figure we pointed out earlier while focusing on a number of subcomponents that we will be looking more closely into.

Typo: there are two baremetal boxes in cloudmesh cor. one should be HPC

This diagram highlights some important information which we describe next

7.1.1 Cloudmesh Main Components

The main cloudmesh component include:

• Cloudmesh Install Management: which allows to easily install cloudmesh on a given operating system. This can also include a virtual machine.

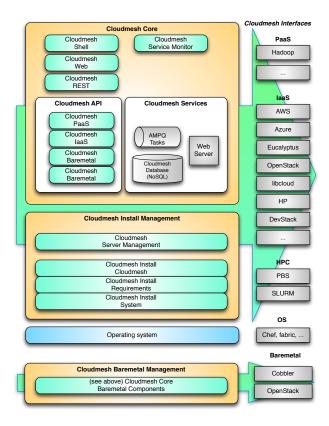


Figure 7.2: Figure: High level architecture of Cloudmesh

- Cloudmesh Baremetal Management (currently part of core): which allows the deployment of an os via bare
 metal through cloudmesh. The important differentiation to other systems is that users can be authorized to
 conduct bare metal provision based on service policy descriptions. The user may not be the administrator of the
 machine.
- Cloudmesh Core: which contains the major components to interface with external subsystems to conduct bare matel provisioning, interact with IaaS such as virtual machines, HPC queues, or the bare metal provisioning services.

7.1.2 Cloudmesh Install Management

- · Conducted in three phases
- **Phase 1:** prepare the system. Te OS may have missing packages. the program will install all missing packages for cloudmesh. This step requires typically sudo permissions.
- **Phase 2:** Install the python requirements. As cloudmesh is mostly developed in python, this step installs all necessary python libraries.
- **Phase 3:** Install the cloudmesh programs. This Step installs the cloudmesh program in the python library. (We use virtual env for our development)

7.1.3 Cloudmesh Service Management

After all the software is installed, we can start up the various cloudmesh services. This includes

- Cloudmesh Database: A NOSQL database in which we record which virtual machines run on which IaaS. This allows us to have a federated view of the heterogeneous clouds.
- Cloudmesh Web Service: Provides a Graphical user interface to manage virtual machines and HPC tasks
- Cloudmesh Task Service: As cloudmesh is a multi user systems many tasks need to be handles in parallel. To achieve this we are using an AMPQ queue and coordinate the execution of managing multiple virtual machines for multiple users.

7.1.4 Cloudmesh Use Mode

Base on the rich service model in Cloudmesh we are able to start cloudmesh either in a

- · standalone mode or in a
- hosted mode for multiple users.

For development purposes most users will want to run the cloudmesh services in standalone mode. This enables you to test out cloudmesh without interfering with other users. It also allows you to be completely responsible for your credentials without relaying them through a third party.

7.1.5 Cloudmesh Baremetal

Cloudmesh contains an interface to cobbler for its bare metal services. However the important feature is that it also contains a very small abstraction interface to bare metal provisioning. This will allow us to integrate with other bare metal provisioners and enable for example the use of OpenStack Ironic once it is deployed for example on FutureGrid.

7.1.6 Cloudmesh HPC

Cloudmesh provides an easy tou use API and GUI to HPC queues. It allows simple display of queues. As FutureGrid shares on some systems the queue manager it also seperates the queues appropriately and displays them accordingly. The API returns the job and queue information as python dicts.

7.1.7 Cloudmesh laaS

Cloudmesh contains an abstration to interface with arbitrary IaaS farmeworks this includes

- Azure
- AWS
- OpenStack
- Eucalyptus
- clouds that can be accessed through libcloud

The important differentiation to other frameworks is that it is not just capable of interfacing with libcloud to a remote cloud but it is possible to provide interfaces while using the native protocol. This has greatly helped in debugging real clouds as for example some features are not properly exposed through libcloud or EC2 compatible mechanisms. It also protected us from several changes that took place during the various versions of OpenStack. Our OpenSTack library interfaces directly with the OpenStack REST services

7.1.8 Cloudmesh Web

While other clouds focus on their own infrastructure, Cloudmesh provides a user interface with federation capabilities to display and interact with heterogeneous clouds. In addition information between these clouds is not hidden behind a compatibility library such as libcloud or a cloud standard, but uses instead the natively available information. This allows developers to interact and inspect information on a different level than just being able to start and stop virtual machines. Interfaces to HPC queues are also available. The Web services interfaces with the Task and Database Services.

7.1.9 Cloudmesh Shell

For experiment management it os often not sufficient to just provide a GUI interface but to be able to script how virtual machines are coordinated. This can be done with our cloudmesh shell that similar to matlab has its own shell environment, but can also be simply be called as a command on a regular Linux terminal. The Cloudmesh Shell services interfaces with the Task and Database Services.

7.1.10 Cloudmesh State

As the Shell and the Web Service interact with the Database and the Task Services, the status after a refresh is synchronized between them. This means if I start a virtual machine with the command shell I can see it in the Web after a refresh and vice versa. Default values are shared and the interaction between Web and Shell is seamless.

The emphasize is here on managing multiple machines and the start of a VM can be done with a single click in the Web or with a single command without parameters in the shell. This is in contrast to other frameworks that do not make use of extensive default management for repetitive interactive experiments.

7.1.11 Tutorials

We have provided a number of tutorials through IPython notebooks that you can follow. A setup guide is available that documents the installation of cloudmesh through a single curl call. The tutorials will show you each of the three different interfaces including:

- · the Python API
- the Web GUI via the Web browser
- · the command shell

The examples focus on displaying information and managing virtual machines.

A list of all notebooks is available. The list will be expanded, and we would be happy if you contribute to them with your own suggestions. If you think we need to show a particular feature, please let us know. We wil try to add it.

7.1.12 Development and Transition to FutureSystems

- Due to the transition of FutureGrid to FutureSystems, we have limited our tutorial activities in regards to baremetal provisioning
- We are focussing our current efforts on the development of our PaaS launcher that interfaces with chef and ssh to deploy platforms on other resources.

7.2 Cloudmesh Setup

Cloudmesh can be setup to on your local environment in single user mode, or as a hosted service for multi-tenancy use. Based on your needs you may decide which way to set it up.

For development and class users we recommend the local setup.

7.2.1 Quick Start on your desktop

Warning: this tutorial is for the new FutureSystems infrastructure. However at this time we still use FutureGrid. Please replace all occurrences of FutureSystems with FutureGrid.

This quickstart is designed for Ubuntu 14.04 and OSX.

We recommend that you use virtualenv to provide an isolated environment for cloudmesh. We assume you create one called ENV and activate it:

```
virtualenv ~/ENV
$ source ~/ENV/bin/activate
```

First you need to download the code from github. We assume you have git installed:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/cloudmesh/cloudmesh.git
```

Next, you need to install a number of required packages with the following commands:

```
$ cd cloudmesh
$ sudo ./install system
$ ./install requirements
```

Note: on OSX you can omit the sudo.

To get access to IaaS cloud platforms, you need to create locally a new user that has access to various clouds. This can be done with:

```
$ ./install new
```

The next steps will deploy the cloudmesh code into the virtualenv library path:

```
$ ./install cloudmesh
```

Note: This step is optional but highly recommended for users.

In case you have accounts on the IU machines you can also obtain pre-configured cloud rc files from them. To test if you have an account and have set it up correctly, please login to the machine india:

```
$ ssh [username]@india.futuresystems.org
```

If this does not work, you may not have uploaded your public key to FutureSystems portal at

https://portal.futuresystems.org/my/ssh-keys

Once this step is completed, you can create the configuration files as follows:

```
$ cm-iu user fetch
$ cm-iu user create
```

At this time we like you to edit some information about yourself in the cloudmesh.yaml file. Choose your favorite editor:

```
$ emacs ~/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh.yaml
```

Change the values TBD that you find here with values that describe you.

As you will need at one point to login into virtual machines you will need a key that cloudmesh can use do to so. We assume you have a public key generated in your .ssh directory in the file:

```
~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

If you do not have such a key, you can generate it with:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -C portalname-key
```

The next steps will deploy the cloudmesh database:

```
$ fab mongo.reset
```

We add the key to the database with:

```
$ cm "key add --keyname=portalname-key ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub"
```

where portal name is your name for the FutuerSystems portal.

You may next need to specify your default project if you have not yet done so:

```
$ cm project default [project id]
```

```
*[\texttt{project id}] * \texttt{is your default project id from FutureSystems e.g. fg455 as an example}
```

To start Cloudmesh use:

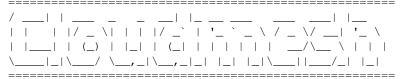
```
$ fab server.start
```

Now you can test the service by visiting the web interface at http://127.0.0.1:5000. We have a convenient shortcut for this by typing:

```
$ fab server.view
```

Alternatively you can use the cloudmesh shell by invoking the cm command via a terminal:

\$ cm



Cloudmesh Shell

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1	aws		

```
| dreamhost
                    - 1
| hp
+----+
| hp_east
                    +----+-----
| india_eucalyptus
                    +-----
I india
+----+
| sierra_eucalyptus
                   +----+
                    cm> cloud on india
cloud 'india' activated.
cm> flavor india --refresh
Refresh time: 0.190665006638
Store time: 0.0578060150146
+----+
| CLOUD | id | name | vcpus | ram | disk | cm_refresh
| india | 1 | m1.tiny | 1 | 512 | 0 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z | | india | 3 | m1.medium | 2 | 4096 | 40 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z | | india | 2 | m1.small | 1 | 2048 | 20 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z | | india | 4 | m1.large | 4 | 8192 | 40 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z |
                            4 | 011
1 | 4096 |
1 | 8192 |
        7 | m1.memmedium | 1 | 4096 | 6 | m1.memlarge | 1 | 8192 |
| india |
                                         20 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z |
                                         20 | 2014-08-26T01-15-20Z |
+----+
```

Commands without description

This script assumes that you have a key in:

```
~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

Which will be used to log into the VMs and the machines. This key must be uploaded to the FutureSystems portal.

```
git clone https://github.com/cloudmesh/cloudmesh.git
virtualenv ~/ENV
source ~/ENV/bin/activate
cd cloudmesh
sudo ./install system
./install requirements
./install new
./install cloudmesh
cm-iu user fetch
cm-iu user create
fab mongo.reset
fab server.start
cm cloud list
```

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```
cm cloud on india
cm flavor india --refresh
```

One line install with curl

This script can also be executed while getting it from our convenient instalation script repository. For ubuntu you can use:

```
$ curl -sSL https://cloudmesh.github.io/get/ubuntu/ | username=[your Futuresystems portal id] sh
```

It will install cloudmesh in the directory where you started it from and place it in the directory:

```
cloudmesh
```

It creates also a directory called ~/github/cloudmesh and then cds into this directory to conduct the installation from there. Furthermore, as you can see this script also creates a virtual env under the name ~/ENV

If you do not like these names or have a conflict with the names, please download the script and modify accordingly.

7.2.2 Creating the yaml file

You must have installed cloudmesh as discussed in ??? and run:

```
./install/new
```

This will create a ~/.cloudmesh directory with some basic yaml files that you will need to modify.

Adding FutureGrid Openstack clouds on sierra and india to the yaml file

For FutureGrid we have additionally provided a script that automatically creates some yaml files from the installation. In future FutureGrid will provide directly a yaml for cloudmesh so that this step is unnecessary. Before you can execute this command you maust make sure that you can log into india and sierra via ssh. Once you have verified this for example with:

```
ssh USERNAME@india.futuregrid.org hostname ssh USERNAME@sierra.futuregrid.org hostname
```

Now create the yaml file while fetching some information from the remote machines:

```
./install rc fetch
```

First it will ask you which username you have on FutureGrid. The name may be different from your current local machine name. Please enter your name when you see:

```
Please enter your portal user id [default: flat]:
```

After this you can update the yaml files with the data fetched from the india and sierra with the command:

```
./install rc fill
```

The reason why we have separated the commands and not just created one command is to provide you with the ability to double check overwriting possibly an existing rc file.

Adding FutureGrid OpenStack Clouds on alamo and hotel to the yaml file

We do not recommend adding these machines as they use the FG portal and password. However if you do so, we have placeholders in the yaml file for these clouds. In case you can not find them, simply copy the one from india and make appropriate corrections.

Adding HP cloud to the yaml file

The cloud offered from HP is an Openstack cloud and contains the ability to conduct project and user based billing. As this cloud is Openstack it behaves much the same as the once defined on India and Sierra. There may be differences based on the version.

HP provides an interface to their cloud through horizon. The documentation for it can be found at:

• http://docs.hpcloud.com/hpcloudconsole

To use the cloud you have to first create an account with HP, which will charge you real money for using their cloud. Make sure you understand what costs will be charged before you request thousands of virtual machines. Naturally this is valid for any other commercial cloud also. The console for the HP cloud is available at:

• http://www.hpcloud.com/console

Which will bring you to their horizon interface:

• https://horizon.hpcloud.com

You can add your username and password into the cloudmesh.yaml in the .cloudmesh directory. It is that simple. However, presently the data is stored in cleartext which we will change in future. Thus if your would like to run cloudmesh we currently recommend running it on your own local machine. Make sure that the access to the yaml file is properly secured.

Adding AWS to the yaml file

Amazon EC2 Cloud requires Secret Access Keys to use Amazon Web Services (AWS). To configure Amazon EC2 on Cloudmesh, you need to provide the Secret Access Keys of your account. Amazon allows only to download the credentials via their web page, you need to go to the Security Credentials page to get the credentials. You may use your existing AWS account or create a new AWS account. The Access Key is a pair of Access Key ID and Secret Access Key and these values should be replaced with EC2_ACCESS_KEY and EC2_SECRET_KEY fields in the yaml file. Cloudmesh identifies cm_type: aws as Amazon Web Services in the yaml file, you update the aws section with your security credentials. Note that Amazon offers commercial services, the access key identification and the secret key should be kept in a safe place to avoid any unexpected usage from someone who you didn't authorize.

Adding Azure to the yaml file

Microsoft Windows Azure offers security credentials per a valid subscription on a user account. Based on the subscription id, chargeable usage is going to be applied to your bill. To authenticate requests to Azure, you need to configure your credentials for Cloudmesh. The following step-by-step tutorial explains the configuration of Azure credentials on Cloudmesh.

To connect Azure Virtual Machines to Cloudmesh, you need to provide Azure credentials to authenticate requrests in the yaml file. You can find the credentials in the

• Azure Management Portal

which is a web interface to manage your account and Azure Virtual Machines. Also, you can find credentials by downloading the subscription file (.publishsettings) here:

• http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=254432.

Once you download the file, you may need to import your subscription Id and valid X.509 certificate from the file with the help of the Azure cross-platform command line interface. More information about the Azure CLI can be found in the Manual/article about the

• Azure Cross-Platform Command-Line Interface.

The Azure credentials require that the X.509 certificate is placed in the .cloudmesh directory. The subscriptionid field should be filled with your Azure subscription id. The valid X.509 certificate file (.pem) must also be stored in the .cloudmesh directory. We store it under the name:

```
$HOME/.cloudmesh/azure_managementCertificate.pem
```

Cloudmesh yaml file has an example non valid entry that you can change with your settings. it can be easily identified while looking for the keyword azure in the *cloudmesh.yaml* file As Azure is a commercial service it is important that you properly secure the .cloudmesh directory and its yaml files.

Todo

describe briefly how to do that, use chmod go-rw ... chmod u+r ...

Azure Quickstart

Azure account If you do not have an Azure account you can obtain one from Microsoft. Microsoft provides a free-trial for new account applicants. The Windows Azure site is located at

• https://manage.windowsazure.com

Download credentials Form ther you can download the:

```
.publishsettings
```

Install Azure CLI Next you will need to install the Azure CLI. This is documented at

• http://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/documentation/articles/xplat-cli/

Here you find install instructions fror Linux but also a link to an OSX installer.

Once the client is installed you can download the credentials

Import Credentials via Azure CLI

```
$ azure account download
$ azure account import <.publishsettings file path>
```

Download Subscription File (.publishsettings)

http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=254432

Place X.509 certificate on Cloudmesh

```
$ cp -p ~/.azure/managementCertificate.pem ~/.cloudmesh/azure_managementCertificate.pem
Only the owner with read and write permission e.g. -rw-----
```

Todo

explicitly describe how to do that, do not use the 755 or other numbers use chmod go-....

Replace Subscription ID

```
$ azure service cert list
```

provides your subscription id that just imported from the .publishsettings file.

Now, you are ready to use Azure Virtual Machines on Cloudmesh.

Test Azure Virtual Machine TBD

Adding devstack to the yaml file (TBD)

DevStack offers an easy method to try out Openstack on your machine or in a virtual machine (VM). DevStack provides a setup guide and configuration here: Configuration.

Adding dreamhost to the yaml file

Dreamhost provides an Openstack cloud that can be accessed through the dreamhost panel at:

• https://panel.dreamhost.com/index.cgi

The Horizon interface is located at

• https://dashboard.dreamcompute.com

If you are a customer of dreamhost, use your username and password that was send to you.

To use cloudmesh, please add this username and password in the placeholder for dreamhost.

7.2.3 Quickstart for an Openstack VM

Note: This setup is primarily used for testing, but it can also be useful for classes using OpenStack, when the call participants have access to an OpenStack cloud.

Setting up Cloudmesh on a VM is an especially convenient way during development and testing. To do so, you can follow the steps to run cloudmesh in a VM running Ubuntu 14.04 on FutureSystems *India* OpenStack. The instructions have been tested on a small instance and the whole process could take about half an hour before you can access the running server.

Requirements

We assume that you have set up an account on FutureSystems and are able to log into the machine with the name india. If you use a different cloud, you can adapt the instructions accordingly.

Starting the VM

First, you have to start a VM on the cloud and assign it a public IP.

This can be done in multiple ways, using the command line, vagrant, or the horizon GUI. Let us assume you have set it up via the horizon GUI or the novaclient command line. This is described in the following document:

More information about horizon on FutureSystems is available at our manual page.

We summarize the following steps, however like to point out that the best source for this is our previously pointed out document:

```
ssh <portalname>@india.futuresystems.org
india$ module load novaclient
india$ source ~/.futuregrid/openstack_havana/novarc
india$ nova keypair-add --pub-key ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub $USER-india-key
```

This assumes such a key exists in the location:

```
~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

If you do not have such a key, you can generate it with:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -C $USER-key
```

Remember to set a passphrase once prompted to secure your private key.

Next step is to open the necessary ports of the VM to be started:

```
india$ nova secgroup-add-rule default icmp -1 -1 0.0.0.0/0 india$ nova secgroup-add-rule default tcp 22 22 0.0.0.0/0 india$ nova secgroup-add-rule default tcp 8888 8888 0.0.0.0/0 india$ nova secgroup-add-rule default tcp 5000 5000 0.0.0.0/0 india$ nova secgroup-list-rules default
```

And then boot a VM and set public ip for external access:

```
india$ nova boot --flavor m1.small --image "futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04" --key_name $USER-india-key $USEI
india$ nova floating-ip-create

india$ export MYIP=`nova floating-ip-list |fgrep "None" | cut -d '|' -f2`
india$ nova add-floating-ip $USER-001 $MYIP
india$ nova show $USER-001
```

You should see a table similare like this:

```
| Property
                               | Value
+----+
                                | ACTIVE
| status
                                | 2014-09-12T19:27:30Z
| updated
| OS-EXT-STS:task_state
                                | None
| private network
                                | 168.39.1.34, 192.165.159.40
| key_name
                                | USER-key
                                | futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04 (02cf1545-dd83-493a-986e-583d53ee37
| image
                               | hsakjfhsdlkjfhsdlkjhflskjdhflkjsdhflkjshfpoeuiyrewuohfkljsd
| hostId
| OS-EXT-STS:vm_state
                               | active
                               | 2014-09-12T19:27:30.000000
| OS-SRV-USG:launched_at
| flavor
                                \mid m1.small (2)
                                | 7e458cbd-d37d-443a-aa76-adc7fcad52ea
l id
```

```
| [{u'name': u'default'}]
| security_groups
| OS-SRV-USG:terminated_at
                                        | None
                                        | sjhkjsahflkjashfkljshfkdjsahfkjh
| user_id
                                        | USER-001
| name
| created
                                        | 2014-09-12T19:27:23Z
| tenant_id
                                        | abcd01234hfslkjhfdskjfhkjdshfkjs
| OS-DCF:diskConfig
                                        | MANUAL
| metadata
                                        | { }
| os-extended-volumes:volumes_attached | []
| accessIPv4
| accessIPv6
                                        | 0
| progress
                                        | 1
| OS-EXT-STS:power_state
                                        | nova
| OS-EXT-AZ:availability_zone
| config_drive
```

Looking at the status you will see if the VM is in ACTIVE state. Once this is the case you can login to it with:

```
india$ ssh -i ~/.ssh/id_rsa -l ubuntu $MYIP
```

Preparation of the VM

Next you have to update the operating system while logging into the VM:

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install git
```

To obtain cloudmesh you need to clone it from git hub and change to the cloudmesh directory:

```
cd ~
git clone https://github.com/cloudmesh/cloudmesh.git
cd cloudmesh
```

The first thing you have to do is to fix some ip addresses on india with the command:

```
./bin/fix-india-routing.sh
```

Installation

To start the installation of cloudmesh we first need to install a number of packages with:

```
./install system
```

We also recommend that you run virtualenv in python which you can enable with:

```
cd ~
virtualenv --no-site-packages ~/ENV
source ~/ENV/bin/activate
```

Now let us install cloudmesh into this virtualenv:

```
cd cloudmesh
./install requirements
./install new
```

The last command will create a number of yaml files in the folder:

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```
~/.cloudmesh
```

Next, install the cloudmesh server anad API with:

```
./install cloudmesh
```

Now we need to populate the cloudmesh.yaml file with your actual information. You can edit the file "-/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh.yaml either with emacs or vi:

```
emacs ~/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh.yaml
or:
vi ~/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh.yaml
```

In this file, update your user profile, name, project data. Alternatively, if you already have yaml files on for example india. Future Systems.org you can copy your local working yaml files from that machine to the virtual machine.

Yet another alternative is to use the functionality provided by cloudmesh:

```
cm-iu user fetch
cm-iu user create
```

This will fetch your cloud credentials from FutureSystems and populate them into the yaml config file. BEFORE you can do this, make sure you can log into the FutureSystems resources, e.g. india. You will need a private key present in the VM that the matching public ssh key had been registered to the FutureSystems. Additionally you may need to excetue the following beforehand to add your password protected key into the session:

```
eval `ssh-agent -s`
ssh-add
```

To run cloudmesh you will need to start a number of services that you can do with:

```
fab mongo.boot
```

In some cases you may see connection problems in the later step. In that case please execute this command one again so the tables and security settings are done properly.

Once the mongo is initiated properly it's time to update the user data with:

```
fab user.mongo
```

Before you start the server, you need to execute this so the server would be accessible from outside:

```
fab india.configure
```

And then start the server:

```
fab server.start
```

Then the cloudmesh service should be available via:

```
http://PUBLIC_IP_OF_THE_VM:5000
```

NOTE:

- 1. As you might be copying your yaml files into the cloud please secure the VM (following good security practice, including but not limited to proper ssh settings disallowing password authentication, securing the location of your private key as well as setting a passphrase, etc.). As this method targets the scenario for rapid dev and testing, it will be a good idea that shutting the vm down after using.
- 2. As the server is not secured by HTTPS, remember not to use your favorite password when you are asked to set a password for portal login.

3. This method is only intended for development and testing, and not recommended for real production use.

More information about more sophisticated install instructions are provided at

• http://cloudmesh.futuregrid.org/cloudmesh/developer.html#install-the-requirements

7.2.4 Setup Cloudmesh in an VirtualBox VM with Vagrant for Testing

This tutorial provides as how to deploy Cloudmesh with Vagrant and VirtualBox. Official Ubuntu 14.04 Server LTS 64 bit and 32 bit are supported as base images of Vagrant.

Download cloudmesh

```
git clone https://github.com/cloudmesh/cloudmesh.git
cd cloudmesh
```

Install Vagrant and VirtualBox

This instructions are tested on Ubuntu 14.04.

```
sudo apt-get install vagrant
sudo add-apt-repository multiverse
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install virtualbox
```

Install Veewee (Optional)

There are requirements prior installing Veewee.

```
gem install veewee
```

· On OS X Mayericks:

```
\$ \ ARCHFLAGS = -Wno-error = unused-command-line-argument-hard-error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee wee \ and \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee wee \ and \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ and \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ and \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ and \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ vee \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ week \ an error-in-future \ gem \ install \ gem \ install \ gem \ install \ gem \ gem \ install \ gem \ gem
```

Vagrant up

```
cd ~/cloudmesh/vagrant/example1
./run.sh
```

FutureGrid Portal ID

Provide your portal ID:

```
Futuregrid portal id? (def: )
```

Base Image

Select one of the base images:

```
Select base image to launch

-------

1) Ubuntu Server 14.04 64bit

2) Ubuntu Server 14.04 32bit

Please choose an option:

Ubuntu Server 14.04 xxbit selected

Bringing machine 'default' up with 'virtualbox' provider...

--> default: Checking if box 'ubuntu/trustyxx' is up to date...
```

Vagrant will be loaded.

Vagrant ssh

Cloudmesh installed on a root account. You need to switch user account to a root once you ssh to the VM.

```
vagrant ssh
sudo su -
```

Virtualenv and cm

Cloudmesh installed on Virtualenv. You need to enable the environment. cm Cloudmesh interactive shell is ready to use.

```
source ~/ENV/bin/activate
cd cloudmesh
cm
```

7.2.5 nosetests

If you would like to verify installation and other features of Cloudmesh, we provide couple of nosetests to make sure that you have working Cloudmesh. These test cases perform several tasks towards Cloudmesh installation, vm creation, termination and others on cm console, cm API, and cm shell.

What does the test involve?

For API, shell, and cm, the nosetests checks activation, list, refresh, start, stop and other features of vm instances. With these tests, we can assure that Cloudmesh users can use and launch vm instances on any interfaces including web gui. The nosetest for the installation does perform actual process of the installation so all the required packages and files will be re-installed and re-configured.

Installation

Try to run the following command:

\$ nosetests -v -nocapture ~/cloudmesh/tests/test_cm.py

API

Try to run the following command:

\$ nosetests -v -nocapture ~/cloudmesh/tests/test_cm_api.py

cm shell

Try to run the following command:

\$ nosetests -v -nocapture ~/cloudmesh/tests/test_cm_shell.py

cm console

Try to run the following command:

\$ nosetests -v -nocapture ~/cloudmesh/tests/test_cm_console.py

7.3 Cloudmesh cm

7.3.1 Cloudmesh cm Command

iPython Execution of shell commands

In this section we use one of the build in features of iPython. IPython provides various mechanisms to call programs within its shell. One of the ways to do so is to use the! character at the beginning of a line to execute the command in the shell.

However, there are more convenient ways to eliminate the ! sign at the beginning of a line. One way is to use the alias command, another is to use the %rehasx command.

IPython Alias

With the alias command we simply define a new command with the name cm that we can call directly from IPython. Here we make sure that the parameters ar between "" so that they are properly set. Just execute the following lines.

```
alias cm cm %s
```

Now let us test the command and lets print the version of cloudmesh cm

```
cm version
```

1.0.4

Python %rehashx

In addition to the direct specification IPython has also a rehashx function, that loads the commands found in the \$PATH variable so you can execute the without!.

%rehashx

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```
cm version 1.0.4
```

We are using now one of the methods to call the cm commands in the following sections.

cm Command

The cm command has a number of options that are useful to pass a script or a command directly into cm. Please however not that in some cases the command must be quoted to avoid confusion between flags used for cm and flags used for its subcommands. Let us invoke the -h flag to see which options cm has.

Help

Now let us execute the help command to see what other functions are supported. As cm is based on cmd3 that you can find in pypi it inherits a number of commands from cmd3. However, more importantly it also obtains a number of commands from cm itself. To more easily distinguish the categories of the cloud related commands we introduced two of them called GUI commands and cloud commands.

```
cm help
Documented commands (type help <topic>):
_____
      edit
              help
EOF
                      label plugins register
                                                user
banner exec image clear exp info
                      list project script
cloud flam
                      man
              info
                             py security_group verbose
              into
init
      flavor
                                   storm
                      metric q
                                                version
defaults graphviz inventory open quit
                                   timer
                                                17m
dot2 group
              keys pause rain
                                   use
                                                web
Gui Commands
_____
web
Cloud Commands
==========
cloud group inventory rain
                                 storm keys
defaults image list register
                                 user
                                      project
flavor init metric
                    security_group vm
```

Starting the Web Browser

To start the browser, simply type the command

Listing Clouds

```
cm cloud list
+----+
| cloud | active |
+======+======+
| alamo |
+----+
l aws
    - 1
+----+
| azure |
+----+
| hp |
+----+
| hp_east |
| india | True
+----+
| sierra | True
+----+
```

Let us inspect the parameters. To limit the output we just display the first 10 lines of the help/man page. We see the –column option in the list command.

```
cm help cloud | head -n 10

::

Usage:
    cloud [list] [--column=COLUMN]
    cloud info [CLOUD|--all]
    cloud alias NAME [CLOUD]
    cloud select [CLOUD]
    cloud on [CLOUD]
    cloud off [CLOUD]
```

For more information, read the help page. It essentially allows us to display some more useful information beyond to just document the active clouds. Let us also display the label. This is done with the following command.

```
cm "cloud list --column=active, label"

+-----+
| cloud | active | label |
+-----+
| alamo | | alamo |
+----+
| aws | | aws |
+----+
| azure | | waz |
| hp | | hpos |
```

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```
+-----+
| hp_east | | hpeos |
+-----+
| india | True | ios_havana |
+-----+
| sierra | True | sos |
```

Let us now demonstrate a common error by not using proper quoting. This occurs when you use option flags with the command. Here our current parser is unable to distinguish between the options passed to cm and the options as used in the cm command. You see the usage message that we do not have a –column in the cm command. To avoid thie use the "" as previously shown.

```
cm cloud list --column=active,label
Usage:
     cm [-q] help
     cm [-v] [-b] [--file=SCRIPT] [-i] [COMMAND ...]
```

7.3.2 project Command in Cloudmesh cm

The project command provides a list of default, active, or completed project fo a given user. You can update the project information with this command.

..note:: that all your project command executions update your yaml file (cloudmesh.yaml) and mongo db (user, defaults) both.

IPython Alias

With the alias command we simply define a new command with the name cm that we can call directly from IPython. Here we make sure that the parameters ar between "" so that they are properly set. Just execute the following lines.

```
alias cm cm %s
```

We are using now one of the methods to call the cm commands in the following sections.

project info Command

The project command has a number of options that are useful to manage a list of projects. The info option provides a current information on your account.

```
cm project info
Project Information
-----
default: fg20
projects: fg20, fg82
completed: fg130
```

Set a default project

project default [project name] allows you to update a default project to your account.

You can see your default project has been changed from fg20 to fg82. Note that cm project is same command with cm project info. info option can be suppressed.

Set an active project

completed: fg130

You can add a project to your account as one of the active projects. You can have multiple projects in your active project list.

projects: fg20, fg82, fg415 completed: fg130

default: fg82

Project Information

You can see the new project fg415 added to the active projects.

Change the status of project to completed

If your project is completed and no longer needed, you may want to change the status from active to completed. completed option allows to change the status of the selected project.

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default: fg82
projects: fg20, fg82

```
completed: fg130, fg415
Help message
cm "project -h"
Usage:
       project
       project info [--json]
       project default NAME
       project active NAME
       project delete NAME
       project completed NAME
Manages the project
Arguments:
  NAME
                 The project id
Options:
   -v
            verbose mode
Usage:
       project
       project info [--json]
       project default NAME
       project active NAME
       project delete NAME
       project completed NAME
Manages the project
Arguments:
  NAME
                 The project id
Options:
            verbose mode
   -\nabla
```

Future Extensions

Todo

Hyungro, please proovide an extension to this function to

allow adding and deleting of projects.

```
cm project add fg455 $\rm cm\ project\ delete\ fg455
```

Adding and deletion of projects may need to be done carefully. We do not want to add projects you are not member of. It would be important to add some test if possible. The –force flag forces the addition and deletion without test.

Todo

Hyungro, please add the -format=FORMAT flag to print the

output in json and a table.

7.3.3 debug Command in Cloudmesh cm

The debug command provides to turn on the debug log level or to turn it off.

IPython Alias

With the alias command we simply define a new command with the name cm that we can call directly from IPython. Here we make sure that the parameters ar between "" so that they are properly set. Just execute the following lines.

```
alias cm cm %s
```

We are using now one of the methods to call the cm commands in the following sections.

debug on/off Command

The debug on command changes the log level to debug. In debug mode, all log messages will print out on the screen.

```
cm debug on

Debug mode is on.

cm debug off

CM ... site/cloudmesh-1.0-py2.7.egg/cloudmesh_cmd3/plugins/cm_shell_yaml.pyc:38: INFO - Debug mode
Debug mode is off.
```

7.3.4 loglevel Command in Cloudmesh cm

loglevel allows you to update a log level on Cloudmesh. * DEBUG * INFO * WARNING * ERROR * CRITICAL

View a current log level

```
cm loglevel ERROR
```

Set a log level between debug, info, warning, error, or critical.

```
cm loglevel debug
```

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```
DEBUG mode is set.
```

7.3.5 yaml Command in Cloudmesh cm

You can change a value on a selected yaml file on the Cloudmesh cm shell. You may need to restart the Cloudmesh server to reflect the change. yaml info provides a current information of the yaml file (cloudmesh.yaml).

```
cm yaml info
```

yaml info-server provides information about the server yaml file (cloudmesh_server.yaml). If you specify the key name in a dotted format, you can see the stored value in the yaml file. This example below selects ['cloudmesh']['server']['loglevel'] in the yaml file.

```
cm yaml info-server cloudmesh.server.loglevel
```

You can see the *DEBUG* is the current setting of the log level in the Cloudmesh server.

If you desire to change the log level to ERROR, you need to call replace-server option in the yaml command.

```
cm yaml replace-server cloudmesh.server.loglevel ERROR
cm yaml info-server cloudmesh.server.loglevel
ERROR
```

Now you can see it has been changed to ERROR.

7.3.6 color Command in Cloudmesh cm

The Cloudmesh cm shell can enable color support in output messages. Warning, Error, Debug, Info, or other type of messages can be viewed with different colors. cm color on/off command enables or disables this feature.

```
cm color on

CM ... site/cloudmesh-1.0-py2.7.egg/cloudmesh_cmd3/plugins/cm_shell_yaml.pyc:56: INFO - color on.
color on.

cm color off

CM ... site/cloudmesh-1.0-py2.7.egg/cloudmesh_cmd3/plugins/cm_shell_yaml.pyc:63: INFO - color off.
color off.
```

7.3.7 CM Console for VM Management

Initialization (Preparing on IPython)

With the alias command we simply define a new command with the name cm that we can call directly from IPython. Here we make sure that the parameters are between "" so that they are properly set. Just execute the following line

```
alias cm cm %s cm help
```

Activating Clouds

In order for cloudmesh to work with multiple clouds, we need to find out first which clouds are available. Users can add their own clouds later which we describe in the registration section.

Let us inspect which clouds are available by invoking the list command.

As you see we have a number of clouds, but none of them is already active. Thus we need to first activate a cloud. We assume that you have an account on FutureGrid. Let us activate the cloud india

cm cloud list

+	++
cloud	active
+	++
alamo	True
aws	1
azure	1
dreamhost	1
hp	1
hp_east	1
india	True
india_eucalyptus	1
sierra	True
sierra_eucalyptus	1
+	++

cm cloud on india

We also have a conveniet interactive command to select a cloud to work with, that however does not work with ipython

```
"cloud select"
```

or you may also input "cloud select india" to select a specific cloud india.

To check if the cloud was activated, simply use the list command again.

```
cm cloud list
```

Start a VM

Now let us see how to start a VM on a cloud, here is how to start a VM on cloud india.

```
cm "vm start --cloud=india --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04 --flavor=m1.small"
```

You may don't know what images or flavors are available on the cloud, or you don't want to type a long command every time you start a VM, things can get a lot easier by performing some setting up.

Set a default flavor or image

Each cloud must have a default image and a default flavor to launch vm instances in a simple step. The cloud set command provides a way to set default values for an image or a flavor.

```
cm "cloud set flavor india --flavor=m1.small"
cm "cloud set image india --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04"
```

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Get Flavors or Images

Available flavors can be listed with the following command.

cm list flavor india

•		vcpus	ram		refresh time
1	+======= m1.tiny +	1	512	0	
] 3	m1.medium 	2	4096	40	2014-09-15T01-09-56Z
1 2	m1.small	1	2048	20	2014-09-15T01-09-56Z
I 5	m1.xlarge 	8	16384 	160	2014-09-15T01-09-56Z
·	m1.large	4			2014-09-15T01-09-56Z

refresh option updates the data from the IaaS cloud. The cached data in the mongo database will be updated.

cm "list flavor india --refresh"

The list image command provides an available vm images on a selected cloud.

Todo

Hyungro, update this example so it fits better in 80 column,

maybe remove the id

cm "list image india --column=name,id,updated"

+	+	+
name	id	updated
•	384ca88c-f674-4d3d-999f-353fc6915608	2013-12
CentOS6	ad35042c-d242-4514-bde0-138718b5aa3e	2014-04
SL64-blank-sparse10gb-C vmdk	f480f1e7-38af-4410-bc13-6a1e43bf58ba	2014-02
fg7/rynge/centos6-v1	ac464f65-7175-44df-9e0e-34b1a32f8a2a	2014-05
futuregrid/centos-6	81b27cb5-4f8b-4583-afd4-1901053f6a28	2014-05
•	f4f9821f-881b-433a-97ab-1ad87273c5fc	
ubuntu-13.10	cd844b12-f138-414a-8cd5-2c977f0a2379	2014-01
futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04	ba327564-5969-4309-b3f3-b67764038e66	2014-09
	7915f335-d1a9-4380-a9f3-159eb67d721e	2014-0
•	f51fc1e4-d495-4376-824b-19000c41abef	
•	6e9322df-fcb2-4ac8-bd02-1d39c6f6919f	2014-09
fg10/jcharcal/centos6.5_x86_64	28f2ad75-8f42-4079-85e1-3d4fe986317f	

+	+	+
balewski/kernel-2.6.32-431.5.1-s165	00e935c3-82a6-499c-9056-6db37d27439b	2014-03
snapshot 1	adc6b8d0-8fba-47ba-af20-f91cb84334cc	
Ubuntu-12.04-blank2.vmdk	b49324f8-d2c3-413a-8f8c-83b498e815f6	'
balewski/ramdisk-2.6.32-431.5.1-s165	9589cf93-f0e6-45d8-930f-63dd2d9c2f1a	2014-03
sl6_x64-qemu french ?bad	c9ca9852-dfcb-4ceb-a164-a58c89594551	2014-02
balewski/sl6.5-blank-80gb-b works	5cb90f55-c3a1-468b-b60a-0ecd589baf31	2014-03
futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04	9cd8cc0d-96cd-44b8-a307-8b574c899ef4	2014-09
ndssl-vt/ubuntu-12.04-small	b9455041-407b-488b-a3f1-5dce6c480b5a	
futuregrid/fedora-20	68a5d085-ea4d-42c4-800f-2017309989ae	2014-09
SL64-blank-sparse40GB vmdk	882871a5-3157-426a-b7bc-10cca91860f0	'
cglmoocs/ipython	0eff8bfc-e455-429e-9dfb-e16488d410f9	2014-01
balewski/daliana-vm2014e2-s16.5-geant4.10-root5.34		2014-03
DaLiAna-vm2014d-SL64-A.vmdk	ff5bb4de-d7e9-4bfb-b42b-cec9ed8d2d08	2014-02
T	T	

Quick Start a VM

The vm start command provides a quick launch of a vm instance in cloudmesh.

```
cm "vm start --cloud=india"
```

Delete a VM

If you know the id of the virtual machine that you want to destroy, *delete* command in cloudmesh simply terminate the instance.

```
cm "vm delete [NAME] --cloud=india"
```

More options to launch a VM instance

When you create a new VM instance, you can also choose multiple options such as a flavor, an image associated with the instance. The vm start command accepts optional parameters as a user input of these options. To see a brief description of the command, try cm "vm --help" in the IPython Notebook cell.

Available options are:

- -cloud=<CloudName> : give a cloud to work on, if not given, selected or default cloud will be used
- -count=<count> : give the number of servers to start
- -flavor=<flavorName> : give the name of the flavor
- -flavorid=<flavorId> : give the id of the flavor

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```
    -group=<group> : give the group name of server
    -image=<imgName> : give the name of the image
    -imageid=<imgId> : give the id of the image
    cm "vm start --cloud=india --flavor=m1.medium --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04"
```

Vitual Machine Name

In Cloudmesh, the default name of VM consists of your username and a number, for example, alex_1. label command allows you to manage or modify the VM name as you wish.

```
cm label
prefix: brian
index: 32
next VM name: brian_32

cm "label --prefix=Alex --id=40"

cm label
prefix: Alex
index: 40
next VM name: Alex_40
```

If the user doesn't provide a name while starting VMs, cloudmesh will generate labels for them. The default form to name VMs is prefix_index, where prefix is a string and index is an non-negative integer. If a index is used, the index value will be automatically added by one waiting to be used for next VM. To check your current prefix and index

Set default cloud

If you want to make things even more convenient, you can set a default cloud or select a cloud to work with so that you don't have to type in a cloud everytime you need to specify a cloud, to set india as default cloud

```
cm "cloud set default india"
to select a cloud
cm "cloud select india"
```

You can see a selected cloud as a temporarily default cloud to work with.

For more details of using command cloud to set up a cloud

```
cm "cloud -h"
```

Refreshing VM status

After you have started or deleted VMs, you may want to check clouds' VMs status. To refresh cloud india's VMs information

```
cm "list vm india --refresh"
```

Starting multiple VMs

Sometimes we want to start more than one VM at the same time, we can choose the option –count=int where int is the number of VMs you want to start. For example, to start 5 VMs on india

```
cm "vm start --cloud=india --count=5"
```

Deleting VMs

To delete one VM is easy, what if we want to delete 1000 VMs, we need a more convenient way to do it. Cloudmesh shell provides several methods to find the VMs and delete them, you may think there are two phases of VM deletion, searching and deleting. Here are some examples:

to delete all VMs of cloud india

```
cm "vm delete --cloud=india --force"
```

Note here we use the option "-force", without it the shell will give you a list of VMs to delete and ask for your confirmation.

to delete a VM by giving its name (you may always provide a cloud unless you have specified a default cloud or have selected a cloud)

```
cm "vm delete --cloud=india Brain_2 --force"
```

to delete a VM by group

```
cm "vm delete --cloud=india --goup=testgroup --force"
```

We can also narrow the search result by giving more search conditions. For example, to delete VMs of cloud india that they are also in the group 'testgroup' and they have the prefix name 'abc' and their indices' range is no greater than 100

```
cm "vm delete --cloud=india --goup=testgroup --prefix=abc --range=,100 --force"
```

For more details for command vm

```
cm "vm -h"
```

Todo

Hyungro, add an example where you first set the default cloud

```
and than use vm delete Brain 2
```

7.3.8 Install IPython Server

Cloudmesh contains a convenient mechanism to set up an IPython web server. The server will run on port 8888 of your vm. It will install in your environment a notebook directory in ~/notebook. Here you can place your ipython notebooks. initially this directory will be empty.

You create the notebook server with:

```
cm notebook create
```

You start the notebook server with

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```
cm notebook start
```

You can terminate the notebook server with:

```
cm notebook kill
```

When terminating, make sure you saved your notebooks. You can restart the server in case you need to run it again.

7.4 Cloudmesh API

7.4.1 Cloudmesh API Initialization

To access the many useful functions available in cloudmesh, we need to import the cloudmesh module.

```
import cloudmesh
```

Version

Cloudmesh has a version number that can be retrived with the version function

```
print cloudmesh.version()
1.0
```

7.4.2 Defining Names

Often we need to define some unique names to distinguish virtual machines or other objects that we use as part of our programming. Besisdes unid that is provided byt pythin cloudmesh ahs additional functions that simplify name generation.

UUIDs

UUIDs are provided as part of the pythin standard libraries. There are a number of different initializations and which to uuse depends on your needs.

```
import uuid
```

Machine dependent uuid

One of them is to create UUIDs dependent on your machine name with uuid1.

```
uuid.uuid1()

UUID('f040aaf5-3242-11e4-bd35-600308a5f9d2')
```

Random Uuid

uuid4 creates random uuids.

```
uuid.uuid4()

UUID('ac332de1-faef-4054-aae8-6f32eb15f982')
```

As in some cases we want to generate names that do not include special characters such as - or . we avoid using the uuid function for now and use the function get unique name instaed.

```
uuid.UUID(bytes=uuid.uuid4().bytes)

UUID('e529ec9c-e40d-4e3b-b4db-4b46802bd4f6')

uuid.uuid4().int
64005057163216856052777834181321712834L
```

Cloudmesh get_unique_name

Sometimes it is beneficial to create unids without the - in it. For this we have a convenience function in cloudmesh.

```
from cloudmesh_common.util import get_unique_name
print get_unique_name()

f04729ee324211e49889600308a5f9d2
```

As you can see it is just like the uuid function (currently uuid1 with the - removed.

In addition one can place a prefix into the uuid to make furher distinctions. However this is rarely needed.

```
get_unique_name("gregor")

'gregorf0487de3324211e4b177600308a5f9d2'
```

Generating VM names

To create a name for a virtual machine we often recommend to use a prefix with a number for an identifier of the virtual machine. This will come in handy when we need to start multile virtual machines and distinguish them with a different name. CLoudmesh uses internally by using your username from the FutureGrid portal as defined in the cloudmesh.yaml file.

```
import cloudmesh
print cloudmesh.vm_name("gregor", 1)
gregor-00001
```

Reading names and prefixes from the Yaml file

Todo

Mark, please develop an example

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Getting the next vm name

Todo

Mark, please find the function we have for this, do not

develop your own. Use the function we have

7.4.3 Load Command

Cloudmesh comes with a number of easy to use configuration files. All of them are yaml files. These configuration files are used to initialize cloudmesh in standalone mode. Hence, they are important when cloudmesh starts up or is run in user more. In server mode the information is typically retrieved from the cloudmesh database.

We focus here on some of the most important configuration files. After deployment they can be found in the \sim /.cloudmesh directory

API for cloudmesh.yaml

Information about the user and which clouds he has access to are stored in the cloudmesh.yaml file.

```
import cloudmesh
```

You can load this file with the load command, while either specifying no parameters or using the "user" string as parameter.

```
user = cloudmesh.load()
```

Once you have loaded it you can inspect the available clouds. Note that you must have provided credential information for these clouds in the cloudmesh.yaml file prior to starting the program. You also will need to activate a cloud befor eyou can use them. This is discussed elsewhere.

```
user.cloudnames()
['alamo', 'hp_east', 'sierra', 'aws', 'hp', 'india', 'azure']
```

In addition to information about clouds you will also find some information about yourself. Make sure YOu have specified the information in the yaml file.

```
user.firstname
'Gregor'
user.lastname
'von Laszewski'
```

To obtain the futuregrid username use the command user.username()

API for cloudmesh server.yaml

To configure the server and the databases the server yaml file is used. via the load command it will be loaded into a dict. A special get function can get sub dictionaries.

```
config = cloudmesh.load("server")

print config.keys()

['kind', 'cloudmesh', 'meta']

config.get('meta').keys()

['yaml_version', 'kind', 'prefix', 'location', 'filename']

config.get('meta.filename')

'/Users/flat/.cloudmesh/cloudmesh_server.yaml'

print config.get('cloudmesh').keys()

['server']
```

API for cloudmesh launcher.yaml

We are currently working on integrating PaaS launchers into cloudmesh that easily deploy software based on configuration parameters specified in the launchers. The specification of the launchers are stored under cloudmesh.launcher.recipies. We provide the information for such a launcher as an example.

Note: This is a new feature and is not yet fully developed.

```
config = cloudmesh.load("launcher")
print config.keys()
['kind', 'cloudmesh', 'meta']
config.get('cloudmesh').keys()
['launcher']
config.get('cloudmesh.launcher').keys()
['recipies']
config.get('cloudmesh.launcher.recipies').keys()
['mooc', 'nagios', 'slurm', 'ganglia', 'hadoop']
from pprint import pprint
pprint (config.get('cloudmesh.launcher.recipies.mooc'))
{`description': `Deploys a Slurm cluster. One of the Vms is the Master, while the others re
 `image': `/static/img/launcher/mooc.png',
 `label': `slurm',
 `name': `Mooc',
 `parameters': [{`nodes': {`type': `integer', `value': 1}},
                 {`other': {`type': `float', `value': 5.0}},
                 {`types': {`type': `string',
```

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7.4.4 Batch Queues

Cloudmesh includes a convenient interface to PBS qstat. It is using an ssh command to connect to the login node on which to execute qstat. The result of the call is available as a dict and you can print it to inspect it closer.

In addition cloudmesh has a customization that alloes resources in FUturegrid to be seperated by machine. This is necessary as the login node on india is also in control of the queues on a number of machines instead of just one.

The username for FutureGrid is loaded from the configuration yaml file in the example

```
import cloudmesh
username = cloudmesh.load().username()
india = cloudmesh.PBS(username, "india.futuregrid.org")
```

QStat

```
qstat = india.qstat()
```

Next, let us list the nuber of clusters managed with the india PBS deployment

```
qstat.keys()
['echo.futuregrid.org',
 'india.futuregrid.org',
 'delta.futuregrid.org',
 'bravo.futuregrid.org']
qstat["india.futuregrid.org"].keys()
[u'1906163.i136',
u'1906085.i136',
u'1906155.i136',
u'1906160.i136',
u'1906164.i136',
u'1906161.i136',
u'1906086.i136',
u'1906088.i136',
u'1906084.i136',
u'1906162.i136',
u'1906087.i136',
u'1906154.i136']
for jobname in qstat["india.futuregrid.org"]:
    job = qstat["india.futuregrid.org"][jobname]
    print jobname, job["job_state"]
```

```
1906163.i136 H
1906085.i136 R
1906155.i136 R
1906160.i136 H
1906164.i136 H
1906086.i136 R
1906088.i136 R
1906084.i136 R
1906162.i136 H
1906087.i136 R
```

QInfo

```
qinfo = india.qinfo()
To list the queue names, simply print the keys.
print qinfo["india.futuregrid.org"].keys()
['reserved', 'systest', 'batch', 'b534', 'long', 'interactive']
```

More information is available when you inspect the dict.

7.4.5 Cloudmesh API for VM Management

Cloudmesh supports the simple management of heterogeneous virtual machines from a variety of cloud frameworks, including Openstack, Azure, AWS, Eucalyptus and but also AWS compatible clouds. This page shows how to use Cloudmesh functions in python by a couple of examples on starting or stopping virtual machine instances through the APIs.

Initialization

A simple import allows you to enable all features of Cloudmesh in Python.

```
import cloudmesh
```

Activating Clouds

Cloudmesh provides *yaml* or *mongo* option where to load basic information. *yaml* relies on the yaml files in the \$HOME/.cloudmesh directory, *mongo* retrieves information from the mongo database.

```
mesh = cloudmesh.mesh("mongo")
```

Get a username

In most Cloudmesh functions, you need to provide a username to tell the server who is going to use cloud services.

```
username = cloudmesh.load().username()
```

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Activate the user account

With the activation, the connection to IaaS cloud is established.

```
mesh.activate(username)
```

Start a VM

Now let us see how to start VMs on a cloud, here is how to start a VM on cloud india.

```
result = mesh.start(cloud="india", cm_user_id="Taylor", prefix="hoho", index=5, flavor="m1.small", in
```

You may don't know what images or flavors are available on the cloud, or you don't want to type a long line every time you start a VM, things can get a lot easier by performing some setting up.

Set a default flavor or image

Each cloud must have a default image and a default flavor to launch vm instances in a simple step. default function provides a way to set default values for an image o a flavor. In this example, we use *image*, *flavor* variables which created from the examples above.

Need a help for the function?

You can execute a cell with a function name and a single question mark (?) to see a short description of a function. A double question marks (??) provide a source code with a docstring of the function. Try *mesh.default*? or *mesh.default*??

```
defaults = mesh.default('india', 'image', image)
defaults = mesh.default('india', 'flavor', flavor')
```

Get Flavors or Images

Available flavors can be listed with the following function.

```
mesh.flavors(cm_user_id=username, clouds=["india"])
```

refresh function updates the data from the IaaS cloud. The cached data in the mongo database will be updated.

```
mesh.refresh(username,types=['flavors'],names=["india"])
```

The functions about vm images provide an available vm images on a selected cloud.

```
mesh.images(clouds=['india'],cm_user_id=username)
```

Select a flavor

Flavor is also selectable. The selected image or flavor can be used to set a default image or a default flavor.

```
flavor = mesh.flavor('india', 'm1.small')
```

Select an image

If you know the name of the vm image, you can specify the vm image to user it later. In this example, we choose Ubuntu trusty 14.04 image.

```
image=mesh.image('india','futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04')
```

Quick Start a VM

A simple function *start* provides a quick launch of vm instances in cloudmesh.

```
result = mesh.start("india", username)
```

Delete VM

If you know the id of the virtual machine that you want to destroy, *delete* function in cloudmesh simply terminate the instance. This example deletes the vm that we just launched above by getting the id from the result dict.

```
server = result['server']['id']
mesh.delete(cloud, server, username)
```

More options to launch a VM instance

When you create a new VM instance, you can also choose multiple options such as a flavor, an image, or a key associated with the instance. *start()* function accepts keyword parameters as a user input of these options. To see a brief description of the function, try *mesh.start?* in the IPython Notebook cell.

Available options are: with * cloud: cloud id e.g. india * cm_user_id: portal user id * prefix: The VM instance name starts * index: The number of vm instances (auto increment) * flavor: flavor name e.g. m1.small * image: image name e.g. futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04 * key: key name to use * meta: data in python dict e.g. {"cm_user_id": "brian"}

```
result = mesh.start("india", "Taylor", index=5, prefix="hoho")
```

Vitual Machine Name

In Cloudmesh, the default VM name consists of your username and an auto incremented number, for example, *alex_1*. Couple of functions allow you to manage or modify the VM name as you wish.

```
mesh.vmname()
u'Alex_37'
```

vmname () without parameters returns the current VM name that you can use. If you want to use a different name, you can specify prefix= 'as parameters.

```
mesh.vmname("Brian", 10)
u'Brian 10'
```

vmname_next() returns a VM name with an increased index number.

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```
mesh.vmname_next()
u'Brian_11'
```

There are some tricks to update the index number in *vmname()* function.

```
mesh.vmname("Alex", "+5")
u'Alex_21'
```

Assign a public IP address to the VM

assign_public_ip() function obtains a public IP address and assign it to the VM.

```
ip=mesh.assign_public_ip('india', server, username)
```

SSH to the VM

Once you obtained the public ip address, you can execute a test command via SSH to the VM. You can use wait() function with retry options. Otherwise, you can simply use ssh_execute() function.

```
mesh.wait(ipaddr=ip, command="uname -a", interval=5, retry=10)
mesh.ssh_execute(ipaddr=ip, command="uname -a")
```

Refreshing VM status

The information of VM instances can be displayed with servers () function.

```
mesh.refresh(username, names=["india"],types=["servers"])
mesh.servers(clouds=["india"],cm_user_id=username)
```

7.5 Cloudmesh Shell

7.5.1 Cloudmesh Shell API

..todo:: Mark, I think this duplicates some of the other notebooks. I think we can remove this one, but make sure its also removed from the index

```
import cloudmesh
print cloudmesh.shell("help")
Documented commands (type help <topic>):
_____
EOF edit help label plugins register
                                                         user
                          list project script man py securit
banner exec
                image
                                                          var
clear exp info man py cloud flavor init metric q
                                           security_group verbose
                                           storm
                                                           version
defaults graphviz inventory open quit dot2 group keys pause rain
                                           timer
                                                          vm
                                            use
                                                           web
```

7.5.2 Cloudmesh Shell for VM Management

Initialization

A simple import allows you to enable all features of Cloudmesh in Python.

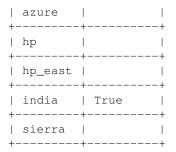
```
import cloudmesh
print cloudmesh.shell("help")
Documented commands (type help <topic>):
_____
EOF edit help label plugins register user banner exec image list project script var clear exp info man py security_group verbose cloud flavor init metric q storm version
defaults graphviz inventory open quit timer dot2 group keys pause rain use
                                                                         vm
                                                                         web
Gui Commands
______
web
Cloud Commands
==========
cloud group inventory rain storm keys defaults image list register user project
cloud group inventory rain
flavor init metric security_group vm
```

Activating Clouds

In order for cloudmesh to work with multiple coulds, we need to find out first which clouds are available. Users can add their own clouds later which we describe in the registration section.

Let us inspect what is already available by invoking the list command

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As you see we have a number of clouds, but none of them is already active. Thus we need to first activate a cloud. We assume that you have an account on FutureGrid. Let us activate the cloud india

```
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud on india")
```

We also have a conveniet interactive selector to select a cloud to work with, that however does not work with ipython

```
"cloud select"
```

or you may also input "cloud select india" to select a specific cloud india

To check if the cloud was activated, simply use the list command again

print cloudmesh.shell("cloud list")

+	+
cloud	active
+=======	-=====+
alamo	I
+	+
aws	1
+	+
azure	l .
+	+
hp	<u> </u>
+	+
hp_east	<u> </u>
+	+
india	True
+	+
sierra	I
+	+

Start a VM

Now let us see how to start VMs on a cloud, here is how to start a VM on cloud india

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm start --cloud=india --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04 --flavor=m1.small")
```

You may don't know what images or flavors are available on the cloud, or you don't want to type a long command every time you start a VM, things can get a lot easier by performing some setting up...

Set a default flavor or a default image

Each cloud must have a default image and a default flavor to launch vm instances in a simple step. The cloud set command provides a way to set default values for an image or a flavor.

```
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud set flavor india --flavorid=2")
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud set image india --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04")
```

Get Flavors or Images

Available flavors can be listed with the following command.

```
print cloudmesh.shell("list flavor india --refresh")
```

refresh option updates the data from the IaaS cloud. The cached data in the mongo database will be updated.

The list image command provides an available vm images on a selected cloud.

```
print cloudmesh.shell("list image india --refresh")
```

Quick Start a VM

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm start --cloud=india")
```

Delete a VM

If you know the id of the virtual machine that you want to destroy, *delete* command in cloudmesh simply terminate the instance.

```
cloudmesh.shell("vm delete [NAME] --cloud=india")
```

More options to launch a VM instance

When you create a new VM instance, you can also choose multiple options such as a flavor, an image associated with the instance. The vm start command accepts optional parameters as a user input of these options. To see a brief description of the command, try cm "vm --help" in the IPython Notebook cell.

Available options are:

- -cloud= give a cloud to work on, if not given, selected or default cloud will be used
- -count= give the number of servers to start
- -flavor= give the name of the flavor
- -flavorid= give the id of the flavor
- -group= give the group name of server
- -image= give the name of the image
- -imageid= give the id of the image

```
cloudmesh.shell("vm start --cloud=india --flavor=m1.medium --image=futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04")
```

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Vitual Machine Name

In Cloudmesh, the default name of VM consists of your username and a number, for example, alex_1. label command allows you to manage or modify the VM name as you wish.

```
cloudmesh.shell("label")
prefix: Brian
index: 32
next VM name: Brian_32

cloudmesh.shell("label --prefix=Alex --id=40")
cloudmesh.shell("label")
prefix: Alex
index: 40
next VM name: Alex_40
```

If the user doesn't provide a name while starting VMs, cloudmesh will generate labels for them. The default form to name VMs is prefix_index, where prefix is a string and index is an non-negative integer. If a index is used, the index value will be automatically added by one waiting to be used for next VM. To check your current prefix and index

Set a default cloud

If you want to make things even more convenient, you can set a default cloud or select a cloud to work with so that you don't have to type in a cloud everytime you need to specify a cloud, to set india as default cloud

```
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud set default india")
to select a cloud
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud select india")
```

You can see a selected cloud as a temporarily default cloud to work with.

For more details of using command cloud to set up a cloud

```
print cloudmesh.shell("cloud -h")
```

After all setting up above, now you can start a VM simply by typing in

Refreshing VM status

After you have started or deleted VMs, you may want to check clouds' VMs status. To refresh cloud india's VMs information

```
print cloudmesh.shell("list vm india --refresh")
```

Starting multiple VMs

Sometimes we want to start more than one VM at the same time, we can choose the option –count=int where int is the number of VMs you want to start. For example, to start 5 VMs on india

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm start --cloud=india --count=5")
```

Deleting VMs

To delete one VM is easy, what if we want to delete 1000 VMs, we need a more convenient way to do it. Cloudmesh shell provides several methods to find the VMs and delete them, you may think there are two phases of VM deletion, searching and deleting. Here are some examples:

to delete all VMs of cloud india

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm delete --cloud=india --force")
```

Note here we use the option "-force", without it the shell will give you a list of VMs to delete and ask for your confirmation.

to delete a VM by giving its name (you may always provide a cloud unless you have specified a default cloud or have selected a cloud)

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm delete --cloud=india abc_2 --force")
to delete a VM by group
print cloudmesh.shell("vm delete --cloud=india --group=testgroup --force")
```

We can also narrow the search result by giving more search conditions. For example, to delete VMs of cloud india that they are also in the group 'testgroup' and they have the prefix name 'abc' and their indices' range is no greater than 100

```
print cloudmesh.shell("vm delete --cloud=india --group=testgroup --prefix=abc --range=,100 --force")
For more details for command vm
```

7.5.3 Cloudmesh Shell - list command

print cloudmesh.shell("vm -h")

The *list* command provides cloud information about flavors, images, vm instances, projects, IaaS clouds available as part of your federated cloudmesh infrastructure. Some examples in this document lets you understand what information can be viewed in the cm command line shell.

```
import cloudmesh

cloudmesh.shell('list')

Error: Wrong Format
List available flavors, images, vms, projects and clouds

Usage:
    list flavor [CLOUD|--all] [--refresh] [--format=FORMAT]
    [--column=COLUMN]
    list image [CLOUD|--all] [--refresh] [--format=FORMAT] [--column=COLUMN]
    list vm [CLOUD|--all] [--refresh] [--format=FORMAT] [--column=COLUMN]
    list project
    list cloud [--column=COLUMN]

Arguments:
```

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```
CLOUD
             the name of the cloud e.g. alamo, sierra, india
Options:
               verbose mode
              list information of all active clouds
    --all
    --refresh refresh data before list
   --column=COLUMN
                           specify what information to display in
                           the columns of the list command. For
                           example, --column=active, label prints
                           the columns active and label. Available
                           columns are active, label, host,
                           type/version, type, heading, user,
                           credentials, defaults (all to display
                           all, email to display all except
                           credentials and defaults)
    --format=FORMAT
                          output format: table, json, csv
Description:
   List clouds and projects information, if the CLOUD argument is not specified, the
   selected default cloud will be used. You can interactively set the default cloud with the con
    'cloud select'.
   list flavor
   : list the flavors
   list image
    : list the images
   list vm
    : list the vms
   list project
   : list the projects
   list cloud
    : same as cloud list
See Also:
   man cloud
```

Listing flavors

You can see available flavors with *list flavor* command.

```
+----+
flavors of cloud 'sierra_openstack_grizzly'
+----+
        | vcpus | ram | disk | refresh time |
id | name
1 | m1.tiny |
            1 |
              512 |
                    0 | 2014-09-03T10-42-07Z |
+----+
            2 | 4096 | 40 | 2014-09-03T10-42-07Z |
 3 | m1.medium |
+----+
 2 | m1.small
        1 | 2048 | 20 | 2014-09-03T10-42-07Z |
```

print cloudmesh.shell("list flavor sierra_openstack_grizzly")

4	+ m1.large	+ 4	8192	40	2014-09-03T10-42-07Z
'	+ m1.memmedium		4096		2014-09-03T10-42-07Z
	m1.memlarge	+ 1	8192	20	2014-09-03T10-42-07Z
++ count: 6 ++					

As you can see, you may need to specify cloud name to see, for example *sierra_openstack_grizzly* in this example.

Listing images

You can see available images with *list image* command.

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Mark, can you cose parameters that fit in 80 col.

```
print cloudmesh.shell("list image sierra_openstack_grizzly --column=name,id,updated")
images of cloud 'sierra_openstack_grizzly'
                                                  | id
| name
| centOS6.0_x86
                                                  | 8c4cacd5-b590-448d-aa50-9a26d787398c |
| futuregrid/ubuntu-14.04
                                                  | 3f4ea14f-cfd4-4033-ba53-a873ca038593 | 2
| balewski/ramdisk-2.6.32-431.5.1-s165
                                                  | 9dc041d8-d4f3-435a-9168-8354438f2a08 |
| jdiaz/ubuntu12.04_comet1_NMF
                                                  | 8b204783-0546-4be3-b62e-bfa014e11ff5 |
                                                  | b6e8b5c1-a029-411f-8244-c15155ef4651 | 2
| CentOS 6.5 x86_64
                                                  | 3539ec10-79b5-4bc0-bc6e-2b94ab192009 | 3
| jklingin/lustre
| DaLiAna-vm2014b-SL64_Geant4.10.0.vmdk
                                                  | 0e3e941f-9b32-4667-8e67-543b83c0e9ee |
| Scientific Linux 6.4 x86_64
                                                  | df688bc7-1dfd-4030-b004-a7cc6d7379aa |
                                                  | 18ac92d0-10ac-4374-a7c8-b89f5a39bd9e |
| futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04
 _____+
| grid-appliance/grid-appliance-2.05.04
                                                   | 4199d988-0833-4497-a473-96fc456fac2f | 3
                                                   | 1fa3d932-8128-460c-8bd0-8f0053fbf828 |
| SL64-blank-sparse10gb-img
                                                   | c32e6cd1-b1d8-42c8-96a1-f5cf35c0b824 | 3
| jklingin/test-centos64
| SL64-blank-sparse10gb works
                                                   | 0306ba0a-eddd-4475-986a-7543f7ec1331 | 3
| s164-gluex-vm2014e-40gb.vmdk Justin
                                                  | 672880eb-b3e2-42c0-a752-940d00b8de3b | 3
| Atlas_XML4
                                                  | 50a8b7a4-5688-43d2-8169-f0250f128238 |
```

```
| c8e745a4-2aa7-4c9e-a05f-afa13e33366e | :
| jdiaz/ubuntu12.04-comet1
  | futuregrid/fedora-19
                                              | 2a9403a7-0336-40d7-afc1-7e39a43762fe |
| futuregrid/centos-6
                                              | 2e9f24c0-d1d0-41de-b8ac-13aa306e9aad |
| balewski/kernel-2.6.32-431.5.1-s165
                                             | 3fb67978-c56c-4996-a390-b021403b4b7b |
| FRIEDA 17.03.2014
                                              | ce46c675-d25a-483e-a694-37d0fe28e327 |
                                             | 58b084dc-fd9d-4952-a807-162e6053c5d4 |
| fg52/amarathe/my-cr-1
                                              | 9da68a1f-a78c-4701-adfa-ea5483d8f66f |
 _____+
| vt/ubuntu-1204-with-salsaDPI
                                              | 8e8785ff-76c7-4e20-84fc-61939b1b4bb1 |
| futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04-03-Mar-2014
                                              | b441e768-ba1c-4d31-8bca-ee0f74a726f6 |
| futuregrid/ubuntu-13.10-26-Feb-2014
                                              | 52c45f2e-8975-42f3-b25d-496d7d7a2931 |
| balewski/daliana-vm2014e2-sl6.5-geant4.10-root5.34 works | 29e146e5-c873-4262-8098-3eb64d3392d4 |
  _____+
| balewski/sl6.5-blank-80gb-b works
                                              | 170df219-35df-434b-b014-bf1b6de24efa |
count: 27
```

With the -column option, you can select particular value(s) to view. In this example, we choose name, id, updated columns to view.

• Note that -column=[column names separated by comma (,)] displays one or more columns selected or - column=all displays all columns.

Listing vm instances

list vm command provides the status of scheduled/launched/terminated virtual machines.

| running | Small Instance | i-0000226f | hrlee_fg20 | 2014-06-26T14:44:46.000Z |

JSON format output

With *-format=json* option, the result is displayed in json.

```
print cloudmesh.shell("list vm alamo --format=json")
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                            u'status': u'running',
                            u'subnet_id': None,
```

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                u'created': u'2014-06-26T18:04:54.000Z',
                u'driver': None,
                u'extra': {u'architecture': None,
                           u'availability': u'nova',
                           u'block_device_mapping': [],
                           u'client_token': None,
                           u'dns_name': u'server-a2c6c5b2-ac25-435d-87da-52036aa41f6e',
                           u'ebs_optimized': None,
                           u'groups': [],
                           u'hypervisor': None,
                           u'iam profile': None,
                           u'image_id': u'ami-000000b8',
                           u'instance_id': u'i-00002277',
                           u'instance_lifecycle': None,
                           u'instance_tenancy': None,
                           u'instance_type': u'm1.small',
```

```
u'kernel_id': None,
           u'key_name': u'hrlee_fg20',
           u'launch_index': 0,
           u'launch_time': u'2014-06-26T18:04:54.000Z',
           u'monitoring': None,
           u'network_interfaces': [],
           u'platform': None,
           u'private_dns': u'server-a2c6c5b2-ac25-435d-87da-52036aa41f6e',
           u'product_codes': [],
           u'ramdisk_id': None,
           u'reason': None,
           u'root_device_name': u'/dev/vda',
           u'root_device_type': u'instance-store',
           u'source_dest_check': None,
           u'status': u'running',
           u'subnet_id': None,
           u'tags': {},
           u'virtualization_type': None,
           u'vpc_id': None},
u'flavor': {u'id': u'm1.small',
            u'links': [{u'href': None, u'rel': None}]},
u'id': u'i-00002277',
u'image': None,
u'key_name': u'hrlee_fg20',
u'metadata': {},
u'name': u'i-00002277',
u'private_ips': [u'10.143.0.60'],
u'public_ips': [u'10.143.0.60'],
u'size': None,
u'state': 0,
u'status': u'ACTIVE',
u'user_id': u''}}
```

If you use *-format* option, the result will be displayed in the selected format. At this time, *-format* supports 'json' and 'table' formats. csv or html might be added later.

Options

Some options provide different output of *list* command.

- -all: list information for all clouds. [CLOUD] name is not required.
- -refresh: update the information from the server. Cached data in the mongo db will be updated.
- -column=COLUMN: column name(s) separated by comma (,) to view the selected information. -column=all displays all.
- -format=FORMAT: output format, table, json is available.

7.6 Cloudmesh GUI

7.6.1 Screenshots

Please note that cloudmesh supports a role based user policy model. Although you may see some screenshots of advanced features some of these features may not yet released to the users.

Cloud Management

Cloudmesh has a simple interface to register and conduct some elementary management functions. In contrast to other systems cloudmesh uses the native cloud protocol and is not just relying on the EC2 compatible clouds. Certainly the Graphical user interface can be improved and customized. We have just provided a very simple interface that focuses on exposing more info that encourages you to conduct more with the management functionality instead of just hiding information to the user. For end-users, we can naturally develop a much simpler interface, as for example is demonstrated in our launcher (which is not yet released).

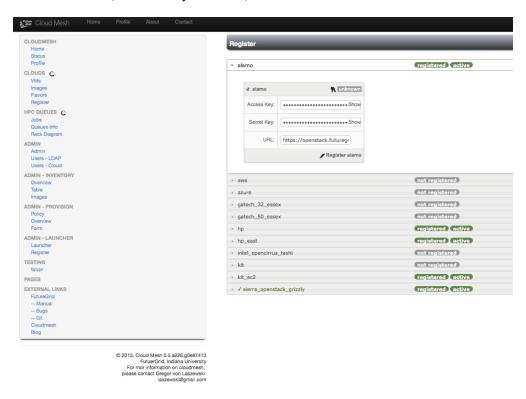


Figure 7.3: Figure: Registering an EC2 compatible cloud

Provisioning/Raining (Not yet released)

Cloudmesh contains the ability to provision a server via bare metal access by the users. To simplify this already available access we are currently developing a simpler interface to it. We have already implemented a policy based access control that allows a role based access based on projects and users. In near future we will integrate our bare metal provisioning management. features into this system.

Batch Queues

Hadoop is often installed on a cluster. Thus having access to the queues to monitor queue based resource reservation for Hadoop jobs (or and other HPC job) is conveniently provided in cloudmesh. Launchers (under development) can be used to easily interface with the systems and conduct customized job creation. Via MyHadoop for example it is possible to start Hadoop jobs in queues on FutureGrid.

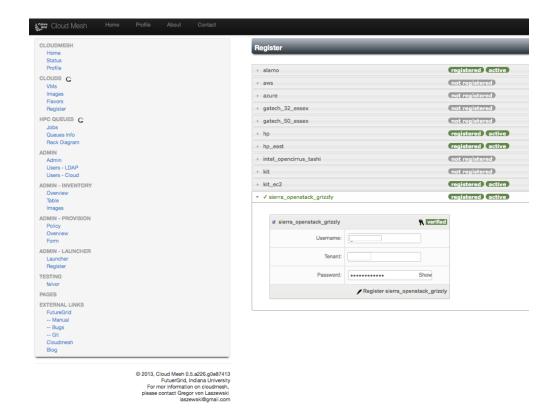


Figure 7.4: Figure: Registering an OpenStack protocol compatible cloud.



Figure 7.5: **Figure:** Starting and deletion of VMs is easy in cloudmesh through a simple table view.

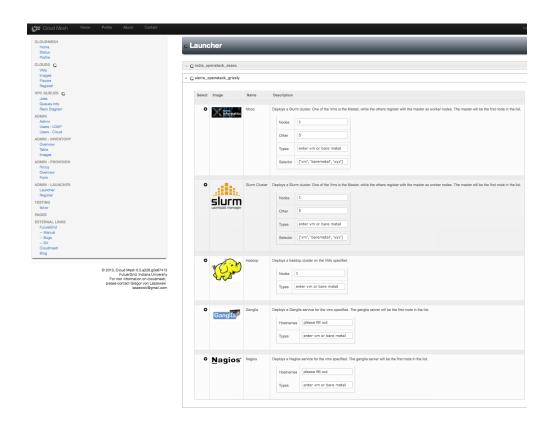


Figure 7.6: Figure: Launching predefined configurations on FutureGrid

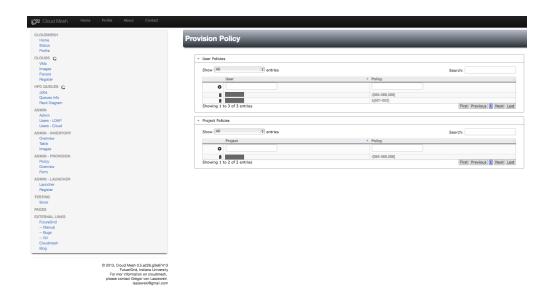


Figure 7.7: Figure: Defining the baremetal access policy

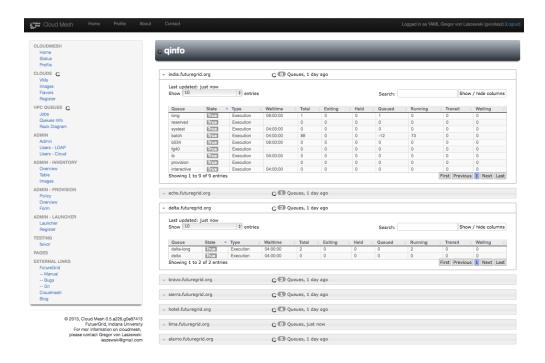


Figure 7.8: **Figure:** Listing the available queues

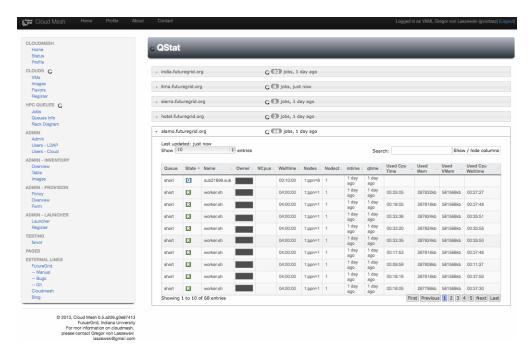


Figure 7.9: Figure: Listing the queue information about jobs and status

Status

The status of the system will be visible in a status window. Here we just show a view of the HPC resources. We already have developed a cloud monitoring system that we intend to integrate soon. For FutureGrid this system is already deployed via the FG portal.

Inventory

Often we just need to know sme details about the system. To facilitate this, we have developed an inventory. In addition we also developed physical view of the rack that can either be augmented with service type displays or temperature of the rack.

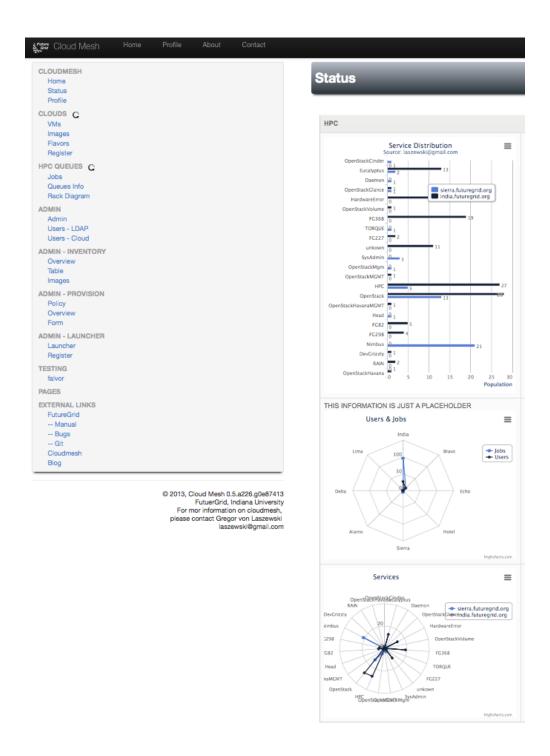


Figure 7.10: **Figure:** Displaying a simple status of the systems (here HPC).

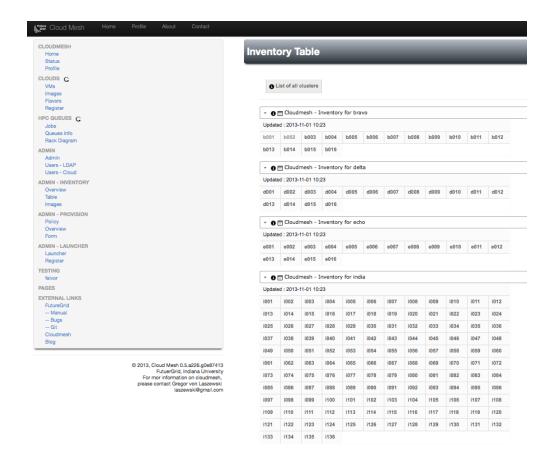


Figure 7.11: **Figure:** Inventory of the systems.

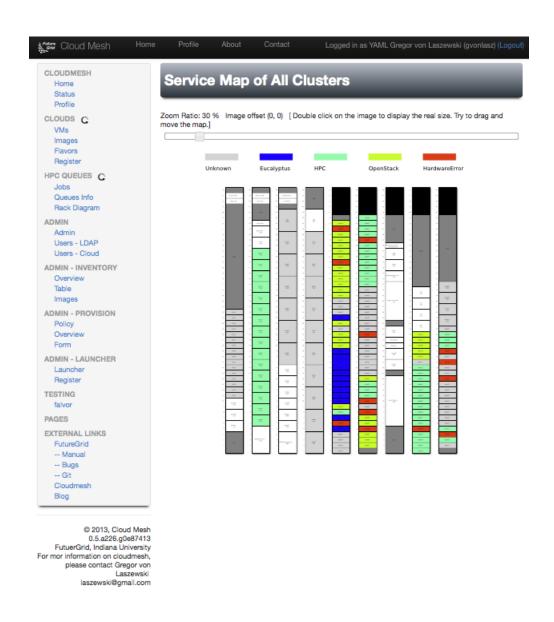


Figure 7.12: Figure: Service map to depict which server is dedicated to which services

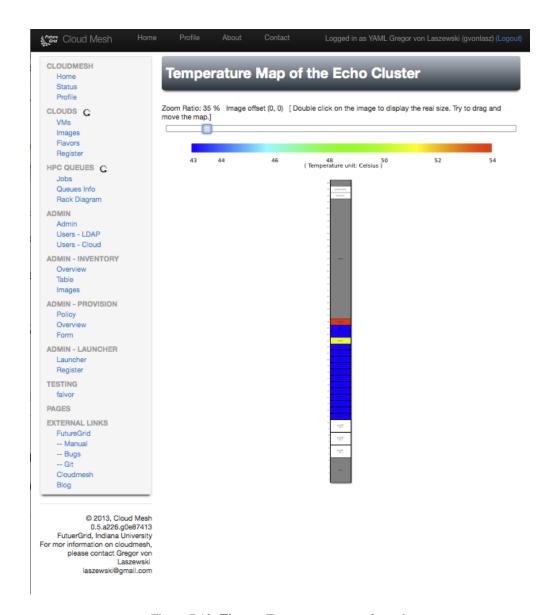


Figure 7.13: **Figure:** Temperature map of a rack

CHAPTER

EIGHT

IAAS

8.1 OpenStack Clouds

OpenStack is an open-sourced, IaaS cloud computing platform founded by Rackspace Hosting and NASA, and used widely in industry. Some of the modules that it provides to users includess compute, storage and network components allowing users to get easily stated in cloud computing.

Many clouds exist that have OpenStack as a foundation as part of the cloudservices offered to users. Some of them are free, some are commercial services.

8.1.1 OpenStack on FutureGrid

Login

Currently FutureGrid OpenStack Havana installed on India.

To use it you need to first log into india and prepare your Openstack credentials (Make sure to replace the 'username' with your actual FG username):

```
$ ssh username@india.futuregrid.org
```

Setup OpenStack Environment

In case you like to use the shell commandline tools you can load them with

```
$ module load novaclient
```

Creating the novarc file

An initial novarc file is currently created for you automatically and can be activated wih

```
$ source ~/.futuregrid/openstack_havana/novarc
```

In future this file will be created with the help of cloudmesh simplifying access to multiple heterogeneous clouds on FutureGrid.

List flavors

To list the flavors, please execute the following command

```
$ nova flavor-list
```

Everything is fine, if you see an output similar to

4		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	ID	Name	Memory_MB	Disk	Ephemeral	Swap	VCPUs	RXTX_Factor +	Is_Public	extra_spe
		ml.tiny		0			1		True	{}
	2	m1.small	2048	20	0	1	1	1.0	True	{}
	3	m1.medium	4096	40	0	1	2	1.0	True	{}
	4	m1.large	8192	80	0	1	4	1.0	True	{}
	5	m1.xlarge	16384	160	0	1	8	1.0	True	{}
4		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	L

If not your environment may not be set up correctly. Make sure that you follow the steps in this section and the account management section carefully.

List images

After you got the flavor list, you can list the current set of uploaded images with the nova image-list command:

```
$ nova image-list
```

You will see an output similar to:

ID	Name	Status	Server
	futuregrid/fedora-18 futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04	ACTIVE	

Hint

\$USER is your username on the machine.

Key management

To start a virtual machine you must first upload a key to the cloud. This can be easily done in the following way:

Where USER is your login name on india.

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Make sure you are not already having the key with that name in order to avoid overwriting it in the cloud. Thus be extra careful to execute this step twice. Often it is the case that you already have a key in your ~/.ssh directory that you may want to use. For example if you use rsa, your key will be located at ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub.

Managing security groups

In the next step we need to make sure that the security groups allow us to log into the VMs. To do so we create the following policies as part of our default security policies. Not that when you are in a group project this may already have been done for you by another group member. We will add ICMP and port 22 on default group:

```
$ nova secgroup-add-rule default icmp -1 -1 0.0.0.0/0
$ nova secgroup-add-rule default tcp 22 22 0.0.0.0/0
$ nova secgroup-list-rules default
```

You will see the following output if everything went correctly:

Booting an image

To boot an instance you simply can now use the command:

If everything went correctly, you will see an output similar to:

```
+-----
| Property | Value
+----+
      | BUILD
| 2013-0
| status
             | futuregrid/ubuntu-12.04
| image
| hostId
| OS-EXT-STS:vm_state | building
| flavor
             | m1.small
             | e15ad5b6-c3f0-4c07-996c-3bbe709a63b7
| security_groups
            [{u'name': u'default'}]
| user_id
             | 3bd2d773911c4502982e5c2cd81437f7
LaccessTPv4
              | accessIPv6
              | progress
              | 0
| OS-EXT-STS:power_state | 0
```

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Where USER is your login name on india.

List running images

To check if your instance is active you can repeatedly issue the list command and monitor the Status field in the table:

\$ nova list

+	 		+
ID	Name	Status	Networks
e15ad5b6-c3f0-4c07-996c-3bbe709a63b7	<user>-001</user>	ACTIVE	private=10.35.23.18

Once it has changed from for example BUILD to ACTIVE, you can log in. Pleas use the IP address provided under networks. Note that the first address is private and can not be reached from outside india:

```
$ ssh -1 ubuntu -i ~/.ssh/$USER-key 10.35.23.18
```

If you see a warning similar to:

Add correct host key in /home/<USER>/.ssh/known_hosts to get rid of this message. Offending key in /home/<\$USER>/.ssh/known_hosts:3

you need to delete the offending host key from .ssh/known_hosts.

Use block storage

You can create a block storage with the volume-create command. A volume is useful as you can store data in it and associate that particular volumen to a VM. Hence, if you delete the VM, your volume and the data on t is still there to be reused. To create one 5G volume you can do

```
$ nova volume-create 5
```

To list the volumes you can use:

To attach the volume to your instance you can use the volume-attach subcommand. Let us assume we like to attache it as "/dev/vdb", than you can use the command::

Hint

Note thate \$USER-001 refers to the name of the VM that we have created earlier with the boot command.

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Next, let us login to your instance, make filesystem and mount it. Here's an example, mounting on /mnt:

```
$ ssh -l ubuntu -i ~/.ssh/$USER-key 10.35.23.18
ubuntu@<USER>-001:~$ sudo su -
root@<USER>-001:~# mkfs.ext4 /dev/vdb
root@<USER>-001:~# mount /dev/vdb /mnt
root@<USER>-001:~# df -h
Filesystem Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/vda1
             20G 2.1G 17G 11% /
none
             4.0K 0 4.0K 0% /sys/fs/cgroup
udev
            998M 8.0K 998M 1% /dev
            201M 236K 201M 1% /run
tmpfs
            5.0M 0 5.0M 0% /run/lock
none
          1002M
                    0 1002M 0% /run/shm
none
            100M 0 100M 0% /run/user
none
/dev/vdb
            4.8G 23M 4.2G 1% /mnt
```

When you want to detach it, unmount /mnt first, go back to indias's login node and execute volume-detach:

Set up external access to your instance

So far we only used the internal IP address, but you can also assign an external address, so that you can log in from other machines than india. Firts, Create an external ip address with:

\$ nova add-floating-ip \$USER-001 198.202.120.193

Next, put it on your instance with:

\$ nova floating-ip-create

Now you should be able to ping and ssh from external and can use the given ip address.

Make a snapshot of an instance

To allow snapshots, you must use the following convention:

- use your project number fg### in the prefix of your snapshot name followed by a /
- If needed you can also add your username as a prefix in addition to the project number.

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Let us assume your project is fg101 and you want to save the image with by reminding you it was a my-ubuntu-01 image you want to key. Than you can issue on india the following command:

If you want to download your customized image, you can do it with this:

```
$ glance image-download --file "my-ubuntu-01.img" "fg101/$USER/custom-ubuntu-01"
```

Hint

Please note that images not following this convention will be deleted.

Automate some initial configuration

You may want to install some packages into the image, enable root, and add ssh authorized_keys. With the OpenStack cloud-init such steps can be simplified.

Create a file(mycloudinit.txt) containing these lines:

```
# cloud-config

# Enable root login.
disable_root: false

# Install packages.
packages:
    apt-show-versions
    wget
    build-essential

# Add some more ssh public keys.
ssh_authorized_keys:
    ssh-rsa AAAAAAkgeig78...skdfjeigi myuser@myhost
```

Now boot your instance with –user-data mycloudinit.txt like this:

You should be able to login to <USER>-002 as root, and the added packages are installed.

Get the latest version of Ubuntu Cloud Image and upload it to the OpenStack

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In future we will just host these images so we do not duplicate them on the server

Several versions of Ubuntu cloud images are available at http://cloud-images.ubuntu.com/. Choose the version you want and download the file name with *****-cloudimg-amd64-disk1.img. For example, downloading Ubuntu-13.04(Raring Ringtail)is like this:

```
$ wget http://cloud-images.ubuntu.com/raring/current/raring-server-cloudimg-amd...
```

You can upload the image with the glance client like this:

Now your new image is listed on nova image-listand will be available when the status become "ACTIVE".

Delete your instance

1. You can delete your instance with:

```
$ nova delete $USER-002
```

Please do not forget to also delete your 001 vm if you no longer need it

How to change your password

1. Sometimes, users accidentally send password to a collaborator/support for debugging, and then regret. When you put yourself in the situation by mistake, don't worry. Just use keystone client and reset your password with:

```
$ keystone password-update
```

* Remember, you will also need to change it in your novarc. This can be achieved by either editing your novarc file directly, or by editing the file ~/.futuregrid/cloudmesh.yaml and recreating your novarc file.

Things to do when you need Euca2ools or EC2 interfaces

Even though the nova client and protocols will provide you with more advanced features, some users still want to access OpenStack with EC2 compatible tools. One such tool are the euca2tools. We explain briefly how you can access them.

1. Create a directory for putting eucarc, and create pk.pem, cert.pem and cacert.pem:

```
cd ~/.futuregrid/openstack_havana
nova x509-create-cert
nova x509-get-root-cert
ls -la
```

2. Create EC2_ACCESS_KEY and EC2_SECRET_KEY:

```
keystone ec2-credentials-create
```

3. Create the file calle ~/.futuregrid/openstack_havana/eucarc and put your EC2_ACCESS_KEY and EC2_SECRET_KEY that you obtained from the previous command into this file:

```
export NOVA_KEY_DIR=$(cd $(dirname ${BASH_SOURCE[0]}) && pwd)
export EC2_ACCESS_KEY="Your EC2_ACCESS_KEY"
export EC2_SECRET_KEY="Your EC2_SECRET_KEY"
export EC2_URL="http://i57r.idp.iu.futuregrid.org:8773/services/Cloud"
export S3_URL="http://i57r.idp.iu.futuregrid.org:3333"
export EC2_USER_ID=11
export EC2_PRIVATE_KEY=${NOVA_KEY_DIR}/pk.pem
export EC2_CERT=${NOVA_KEY_DIR}/cert.pem
export NOVA_CERT=${NOVA_KEY_DIR}/cacert.pem
export EUCALYPTUS_CERT=${NOVA_CERT}
alias ec2-bundle-image="ec2-bundle-image --cert ${EC2_CERT} --privatekey ${EC2_PRIVATE_KEY} --us
alias ec2-upload-bundle="ec2-upload-bundle -a ${EC2_ACCESS_KEY} -s ${EC2_SECRET_KEY} --url ${S3_EC2_BECRET_KEY} --url ${S4_EC2_BECRET_KEY} --url ${S4_EC2_BE
```

4. Confirm if euca2ools works:

```
module load euca2ools/3.1.0
source ~/.futuregrid/openstack_havana/eucarc
euca-describe-images
euca-describe-instances
```

Note: Here's our known issues on using euca2ools or ec2 interface.

- euca-upload-bundle with Boto 2.25.0 fails with "S3ResponseError: 404 Not Found".
- tagging function such as euca-create-tags, euca-describe-tags fail with "InvalidRequest: The request is invalid."

Horizon GUI

Horizon is a graphical user interface/dashbooard for OpenStack. For starting up VMs and stoping them by hand horizon may be a good mechanism to manage your Virtual machines. We have currently the following horizon deployments available. However, please note that on Alamo an older version of Openstack is run.

Ma- Pro-Description **Image** Version chine tocol Na-India offers a Graphical user interface to access Ha-Invana dia tive OpenStack. For those interested in only managing a Openfew images this may be a good way to start. The link Stack to the GUI is https://openstack-h.india.futuregrid.org/horizon The password can be found by following the method dicussed above.

Table 8.1: Horizon endpoints

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Screencasts

This series of screencasts will walk you through the various ways on how you can use OpenStack on FutureSystems. This includes the following:

- using openstack client command line tools to
 - start, stop, assign ips, and query virtual machines
 - list images and flavors
 - to create security groups for login
 - to log in to your virtual machine while using a key
- using the openstack horizon interface

Video	Lengt	hTitles of the Lessons	Description of the Lessons
xRVJ- fOaR23w	11:55 min	Using OpenStack command line	This lesson explains you how to use the OpenStack Commandline tools on the FutureSystems cluster called sierra.futuregrid.org. For written material, see section <i>s-openstack-grizzly</i> .
You		tools	Warning: please replace sierra with india.
JkNl- WAUlxF0	8:30 min	Using OpenStack horizon GUI	This lesson explains you how to use the OpenStack Horizon to access the FutureSystems OpenStack IaaS framework on sierra.futuregrid.org. For written material, see section <i>Horizon GUI</i> .
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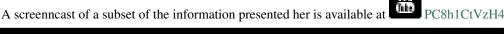
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NINE

PAAS

9.1 Using Hadoop in FutureGrid

Screencast



We have various platforms that support Hadoop on FutureGrid. MyHadoop is probably the easiest solution offered for you. It provides the advantage that it is integrated into the queuing system and allows hadoop jobs to be run as batch job. This is of especial interest for classes that may run quickly out of resources if every students wants to run their hadoop application at the same time.

9.1.1 Running Hadoop as a Batch Job using MyHadoop

MapReduce is a programming model developed by Google. Their definition of MapReduce is as follows: "MapReduce is a programming model and an associated implementation for processing and generating large data sets. Users specify a map function that processes a key/value pair to generate a set of intermediate key/value pairs, and a reduce function that merges all intermediate values associated with the same intermediate key." For more information about MapReduce, please see the Google paper here.

The Apache Hadoop Project provides an open source implementation of MapReduce and HDFS (Hadoop Distributed File System).

This tutorial illustrates how to run Apache Hadoop thru the batch systems on FutureGrid using the MyHadoop tool.

myHadoop on FutureGrid

MyHadoop is a set of scripts that configure and instantiate Hadoop as a batch job.

myHadoop 0.20.2 is currently installed on Alamo, Hotel, India, and Sierra FutureGrid systems.

Login into a machine tha has myHadoop installed

To run the example we need to firts log into a FutureGrid system that has myHadoop available. In this tutorial, we are executing from the sierral machine:

\$ ssh portalname@sierra.futuregrid.org

Note that this also works on other FutureGrid machines such as india.

This machine accepts SSH public key and One Time Password (OTP) logins only. If you do not have a public key set up, you will be prompted for a password. This is *not* your FutureGrid password, but the One Time Password generated from your OTP token. Do not type your FutureGrid password, it will not work. If you do not have a token or public key, you will not be able to login. The portalname is your account name that allows you to log into the FutureGrid portal.

Load the needed modules

Next, we need to load the myHadoop module. On some FutureGrid systems, you may also need to load the "torque" module as well if gstat is not already in your environment:

```
$ module load myhadoop
SUN Java JDK version 1.6.0 (x86_64 architecture) loaded
Apache Hadoop Common version 0.20.203.0 loaded
myHadoop version 0.2a loaded
```

Before we can submit it we still need to load the module java as Haddop relies on java:

```
module add java
```

Run the Example

To run the example we need to create a script to tell the queing system how to run it. We are providing the following script that you can store in a file pbs-example.sh.

You can paste and copy it from here, or just copy it via:

```
cp MY_HADOOP_HOME/pbs-example.sh .
```

This script includes information about which queue hadoop should be run in. To find out more about the queuing system, please see the HPC services section. The pbs-example.sh script we use in this example looks as follows:

```
#!/bin/bash
#PBS -q batch
#PBS -N hadoop_job
#PBS -1 nodes=4:ppn=8
#PBS -o hadoop_run.out
#PBS -j oe
#PBS -V
module add java
### Run the myHadoop environment script to set the appropriate variables
# Note: ensure that the variables are set correctly in bin/setenv.sh
. /N/soft/myHadoop/bin/setenv.sh
#### Set this to the directory where Hadoop configs should be generated
# Don't change the name of this variable (HADOOP_CONF_DIR) as it is
# required by Hadoop - all config files will be picked up from here
# Make sure that this is accessible to all nodes
export HADOOP_CONF_DIR="${HOME}/myHadoop-config"
```

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```
#### Set up the configuration
# Make sure number of nodes is the same as what you have requested from PBS
# usage: $MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/pbs-configure.sh -h
echo "Set up the configurations for myHadoop"
# this is the non-persistent mode
$MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/pbs-configure.sh -n 4 -c $HADOOP_CONF_DIR
# this is the persistent mode
# $MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/pbs-configure.sh -n 4 -c $HADOOP_CONF_DIR -p -d /oasis/cloudstor-group/HDFS
echo
#### Format HDFS, if this is the first time or not a persistent instance
echo "Format HDFS"
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR namenode -format
echo
#### Start the Hadoop cluster
echo "Start all Hadoop daemons"
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/start-all.sh
#$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop dfsadmin -safemode leave
echo
#### Run your jobs here
echo "Run some test Hadoop jobs"
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -mkdir Data
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -copyFromLocal $MY_HADOOP_HOME/gutenberg Data
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -ls Data/gutenberg
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-0.20.2-examples.jar wordcon
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -ls Outputs
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -copyToLocal Outputs ${HOME}/Hadoop-Outputs
echo
#### Stop the Hadoop cluster
echo "Stop all Hadoop daemons"
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/stop-all.sh
echo
#### Clean up the working directories after job completion
echo "Clean up"
$MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/pbs-cleanup.sh -n 4 -c $HADOOP_CONF_DIR
echo
```

Details of the Script

Let us examine this script in more detail. In the example script, a temporary directory to store Hadoop configuration files is specified as \${HOME}/myHadoop-config:

```
#### Set this to the directory where Hadoop configs should be generated
# Don't change the name of this variable (HADOOP_CONF_DIR) as it is
# required by Hadoop - all config files will be picked up from here
#
# Make sure that this is accessible to all nodes
export HADOOP_CONF_DIR="${HOME}/myHadoop-config"
```

The pbs-example.sh script runs the "wordcount" program from the hadoop-0.20.2-examples.jar. There is sample text data from the Project Gutenberg website located a \$MY_HADOOP_HOME/gutenberg:

```
$ ls $MY_HADOOP_HOME/gutenberg
1342.txt.utf8
```

The following lines in the script create a data directory in HDFS. This directory is specified in \$MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/setenv.sh. To activate the environment, pleas execute:

```
source $MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/setenv.sh
```

The next lines in the script will copy over the gutenberg data, executes the Hadoop job, and then copies the output back your \${HOME}/Hadoop-Outputs directory.

```
#### Run your jobs here
echo "Run some test Hadoop jobs"
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -mkdir Data
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -copyFromLocal $MY_HADOOP_HOME/gutenberg Data
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -ls Data/gutenberg
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR jar $HADOOP_HOME/hadoop-0.20.2-examples.jar wordcot
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -ls Outputs
$HADOOP_HOME/bin/hadoop --config $HADOOP_CONF_DIR dfs -copyToLocal Outputs ${HOME}/Hadoop-Outputs
```

Submission of the Hadoop job

Now submit the pbs-example.sh script to Hotel:

```
$ qsub $MY_HADOOP_HOME/pbs-example.sh
40256.svc.uc.futuregrid.org
```

The job will take about 5 minutes to complete. To monitor its status, type 'qstat'. The "R" means the job is running:

When it is done, the status of the job will be "C" meaning the job has completed (or it will no longer be displayed in qstat output). You should see a new hadoop_run.out file and an "Hadoop-Outputs" directory

View results of the word count operation:

```
$ head Hadoop-Outputs/part-r-00000
"'After 1
"'My 1
"'Tis 2
"A 12
"About 2
"Ah! 2
"Ah!" 1
"Ah, 1
"All 2
"All! 1
```

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Now to run you own custom Hadoop job, make a copy of the \$MY_HADOOP_HOME/pbs-example.sh script and modify the lines described in Step 7.

Persistent Mode

The above example copies input to local HDFS scratch space you specified in \$MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/setenv.sh, runs MapReduce, and copies output from HDFS back to your home directory. This is called non-persistent mode and is good for small amounts of data. Alternatively, you can run in persistent mode which is good if you have access to a parallel file system or have a large amount of data that will not fit in scratch space. To enable persistent mode, follow the directions in pbs-example.sh.

Customizing Hadoop Settings

To modify any of the Hadoop settings like maximum_number_of_map_task, maximum_number_of_reduce_task, etc., make you own copy of myHadoop and customize the settings accordingly. For example:

1. Copy the \$MY_HADOOP_HOME directory to your home directory:

```
$ cp -r $MY_HADOOP_HOME $HOME/myHadoop
```

- 2. Then edit \$HOME/myHadoop/pbs-example.sh and on line 16, replace it with:
 - . \${HOME}/myHadoop/bin/setenv.sh
- 3. Similarly edit \$HOME/myHadoop/bin/setenv.sh and on line 4, replace it with:

```
export MY_HADOOP_HOME=$HOME/myHadoop
```

- 4. Customize the settings in the Hadoop files as needed in \$HOME/myHadoop/etc
- 5. Submit your copy of pbs-example.sh:

```
$ qsub $HOME/myHadoop/pbs-example.sh
```

Using a Different Installation of Hadoop

If you would like to use a different version of my Hadoop or have customized the Hadoop code in some way, you can specify a different installation of Hadoop by redefining the HADOOP_HOME variable after \$MY_HADOOP_HOME/bin/setenv.sh is called within your own copy of pbs-example.sh:

```
### Run the myHadoop environment script to set the appropriate variables
#
Note: ensure that the variables are set correctly in bin/setenv.sh
. /opt/myHadoop/bin/setenv.sh
export HADOOP_HOME=${HOME}/my-custom-hadoop
```

References

- Much of this information is copied from The MyHadoop Installation Instructions
- A screenncast of a subset of the information presented her is available at



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TEN

HPC

10.1 HPC

10.1.1 Login Nodes

Several of the clusters have High Performance Computing (HPC) services installed. Access to them is provided via a Linux Login node for each of the clusters on which these services are installed.

To access the login nodes you need a FG resource account and an SSH public key you have uploaded to FutureGrid (this process is described in the section about *s-accounts*. After you are part of a valid project and have a FutureGrid account, you can log into the FutureGrid resources with ssh. Multiple systems are accessed through the follong node:

```
india.futuregrid.org
```

The systems include india, bravo, delta, echo

To log into xray, please use:

```
xray.futuregrid.org
```

For example, assume your portalname is "portalname", than you can login to sierra as follows:

```
$ ssh portalname@india.futuregrid.org
Welcome to india.futuregrid.org
Last login: Thu Aug 12 19:19:22 2010 from ....
```

SSH Add

Sometimes you may wish to log in repeatedly in other machines while using a cached password. To do that you can use ssh agent and ssh add. First start the agent:

```
eval `ssh-agent`
```

Then add your key with:

```
ssh-add
```

Follow the instructions on the screen. Thus before you ssh in, you may want to use ssh agent. This way you do not have to repeatedly type in your key password.

SSH Config

Also you may want to setup your ~/.ssh/config file to create shortcut for the username and hosts on which you want to log in. Let us assume your username is albert, then add the following lines in the .ssh/config file:

```
Host india
Hostname india.futuregrid.org
User albert
```

This will allow you to log into the machine just while typing in:

ssh india

Modules

The login nodes have the modules package installed. It provides a convenient tool to adapt your environment and enables you to activate different packages and services dependent on your specific needs. The Modules are utilized to let you dynamically control your environment. Modules allows you to load and unload packages and ensure a coherent working environment. This ensures that your \$PATH, \$LD_LIBRARY_PATH, \$LD_PRELOAD, and other environment variables are properly set, and that you can access the programs and libraries you need. For additional information about the Modules package you can consult the manual page.

To display the list of available modules:

```
$ module avail
```

To display the list of currently loaded modules:

```
$ module list
```

To add and remove packages from your environment you can use the module load and module unload commands:

```
$ module load <package name>/<optional package version>
$ module unload <package name>/<optional package version>
```

The available command are listed in the next table:

Table 10.1: Module commands

Command	Description
module avail	List all software packages available on the system.
module avail package	List all versions of package available on the system
module list	List all packages currently loaded in your environment.
module load	Add the specified version of the package to your environment
package/version	
module unload package	Remove the specified package from your environment.
module swap	Swap the loaded package (package_A) with another package (package_B).
package_A package_B	
module show package	Shows what changes will be made to your environment (e.g. paths to libraries and
	executables) by loading the specified package.

Example - List the currently loaded modules on india after login:

```
$ module list
Currently Loaded Modulefiles:
1) torque/2.4.8 2) moab/5.4.0
```

Example - list the avialable modules on india:

```
$ module avail
-----/opt/Modules/3.2.8/modulefiles/applications ------
R/2.11.1(default) hpcc/1.3.1(default) velvet/1.0.15
                                    wgs/6.1
git/1.7.10
                   ncbi/2.2.23(default)
gromacs/4.0.7(default) soapdenovo/1.04
----- /opt/Modules/3.2.8/modulefiles/compilers ------
cmake/2.8.1(default) java/1.6.0-i586
intel/10.1
                      java/1.6.0-x86_64(default)
intel/11.1(default)
----- /opt/Modules/3.2.8/modulefiles/debuggers ------
null
                      totalview/8.8.0-2(default)
----- /opt/Modules/3.2.8/modulefiles/libraries ------
intelmpi/4.0.0.028(default) openmpi/1.4.3-intel
mkl/10.2.5.035(default)
                       otf/1.7.0 (default)
openmpi/1.4.2(default)
                       unimci/1.0.1(default)
openmpi/1.4.3-gnu
                        vampirtrace/intel-11.1/5.8.2
     ------ /opt/Modules/3.2.8/modulefiles/tools ------
cinderclient/1.0.4(default) moab/5.4.0(default)
euca2ools/1.2
euca2ools/1.3.1
                       precip/0.1(default)
euca2ools/2.0.2 (default) python/2.7 (default)
genesisII/2.7.0
                        python/2.7.2
glanceclient/0.9.0(default) torque/2.4.8(default)
keystoneclient/0.2.3(default) vim/7.2
marmot/2.4.0 (default)
```

Example - load the default version of a module (in this case git):

```
$ module load git
```

Please note that for loading the default you do not have to specify the version number.

Filesystem Layout

Home directories: Home directories are accessible through the \$HOME shell variable which are located at /N/u/<username>. This is where users are encouraged to keep source files, configuration files and executables. Users should not run code from their \$HOME directories. Please note that this is an NFS file system, and may result in slower access for some applications. We also advise the users to provide external backup storage at their home institution or a code repository. For example, we recommend that you use git or svn to make sure you backup your changes to the code. Also make sure you backup your data. As a testbed, we do not guarantee data loss.

Scratch directories: Scratch directories are located at different locations on the systems. To find out more about the file layout, please see the section *s-storage*

System software directories: System software directories are located at /N/soft. System and community software are typically installed here. Table *t-storage-mountpoint* provides a summary of the various mount points.

10.1.2 Message Passing Interface (MPI)

The Message Passing Interface Standard (MPI) is the de facto standard communication library for almost many HPC systems, and is available in a variety of implementations. It has been created through consensus of the MPI Forum, which has dozens of participating organizations, including vendors, researchers, software library developers, and users. The goal of the Message Passing Interface is to provide a portable, efficient, and flexible standard for programs using message passing. For more information about MPI, please visit:

- http://www.mpi-forum.org/
- http://www.mcs.anl.gov/research/projects/mpi/tutorial/
- http://www.open-mpi.org/

MPI Libraries

Several FutureGrid systems support MPI as part of their HPC services. An up to date status about it can be retrieved via our Inca status pages.

System	MPI version	Compiler	Infiniband Support	Module	
Bravo	OpenMPI 1.4.2	Intel 11.1	no	openmpi	
	OpenMPI 1.4.3	gcc 4.4.6	no	openmpi/1.4.3-gnu	
	OpenMPI 1.4.3	Intel 11.1	no	openmpi/1.4.3-intel	
	OpenMPI 1.5.4	gcc 4.4.6	no	openmpi/1.5.4-[gnu	intel]
India	OpenMPI 1.4.2	Intel 11.1	yes	openmpi	
Xrav			N/A		

Table 10.2: MPI versions installed on FutureGrid HPC services

Loading the OpenMPI module adds the MPI compilers to your \$PATH environment variable and the OpenMPI shared library directory to your \$LD_LIBRARY_PATH. This is an important step to ensure that MPI applications will compile and run successfully. In cases where the OpenMPI is compiled with the Intel compilers loading the OpenMPI module will automatically load the Intel compilers as a dependency. To load the default OpenMPI module and associated compilers, just use:

```
$ module load openmpi
```

Compiling MPI Applications

To compile MPI applications, users can simply use the available mpi compile commands:

mpice: To compile C programs with the CC/icc/gcc compilers

mpicxx: To compile c++ programs with CXX/icpc/g++ compilers

mpif90: To compile programs with F90/F77/FC/ifort/gfortran

To see in detail what these commands do you can add a -show as an option. Thus the following commands:

```
$ mpicc -show
$ mpicxx -show
$ mpif90 -show
```

will show you the detail of each of them. The resulting output can be used as a template to adapt compile flags in case the default settings are not suitable for you.

Assuming you have loaded the OpenMPI module into your environment, you can compile a simple MPI application easily by executing:

```
$ mpicc -o ring ring.c
```

Users MUST NOT run jobs on the login or headnodes. These nodes are reserved for editing and compiling programs. Furthermore running your commands on such nodes will not provide any useful information as you actually do not use the standard cluster node.

Batch Jobs

Once your MPI application is compiled, you run it on the compute nodes of a cluster via a batch processing. With the help of a batch processing services a job is run on the cluster without the users intervention via a job queue. The user does not have to worry much about the internal details of the job queue, but must provide the scheduler with some guidance about the job so it can be efficiently scheduled on the system.

To run jobs on resources with the HPC services, users must first activate their environment to use the job scheduler:

```
$ module load torque
```

A complete manual for the torque scheduler can be found in the Torque manual.

Next we need to create a script so that we can run the program on the cluster. We will be using our simple ring example to illustrate some of the parameters you need to adjust. Please save the following content to a file called ring.pbs.:

```
#! /bin/bash
2
  # OPTIONS FOR THE SCRIPT
  #PBS -M username@example.com
  #PBS -N ring_test
  #PBS -o ring $PBS JOBID.out
  #PBS -e ring_$PBS_JOBID.err
   #PBS -q batch
   #PBS -1 nodes=4:ppn=8
   #PBS -1 walltime=00:20:00
11
12
   # make sure MPI is in the environment
13
   module load openmpi
14
15
   # launch the parallel application with the correct number of process
   # Typical usage: mpirun -np <number of processes> <executable> <arguments>
17
  mpirun -np 32 ring -t 1000
18
  echo "Nodes allocated to this job: "
20
   cat $PBS_NODEFILE
```

This file can be used to submit a job to the queueing system by calling the command:

```
qsub ring.pbs
```

In the job script, lines that begin with **#PBS** are directives to the job scheduler. You can disable any of these lines by adding an extra **#** character at the beginning of the line, as **##** is interpreted to be a comment. Common options include:

- -M: specify a mail address that is notified upon completion
- -N: To specify a job name
- -o: The name of the file to write stdout to
- -e: The name of the file to write stderr to

- -q: The queue to submit the job to
- -l: Resources specifications to execute the job

The first parameters are rather obvious, so let us focus on the -q option. Each batch service is configured with a number of queues that are targeting different classes of jobs to schedule them more efficiently. These queues can be switch on or off, be modified or new queues can be added to the system. It is useful to get a list of available queues on the system of where you would like to submit your jobs. You can also inspect which would be the most suitable queue to use for your purpose with the qstat command on the appropriate login node:

```
$ qstat -q
```

Currently we have the following queues:

	Resource	Queue name	Default Wallclock Limit	Max Wallclock Limit	NOTES
HPC Job Queue Information:	india	batch	4 hours	24 hours	
HPC Job Queue Information:		long	8 hours	168 hours	
		scalemp	8 hours	168 hours	restricted acc

Next we focus on the -l option that specifies the resources. The term:

nodes=4

means that we specify 4 servers on which we execute the job. The term:

ppn=8

means that we use 8 virtual processors per node, where a virtual processor is typically executed on a core of the server. Thus it is advisable not to exceed the number of cores per server. For some programs choosing the best performing number of servers and cores may be dependent on factors such as memory needs, IO access and other resource bounded properties. You may have to experiment with the parameters. To identify the number of servers and cores available please see Tables *Table: Compute Resources* and *Table: Compute Resource Details*. For example, India has 8 cores per node, thus 4 servers would provide you access to 32 processing units.

Often you may just want to have the stdout and stderr in one file, then you simply can replace the line with -e in it with:

```
#PBS -j oe
```

which simply means that you *join* stdout and stderr. Here j stands for join, o for stdout and e for stderr. In case you would like to have an e-mail sent to you based on the status of the job, you can add:

```
#PBS -m ae
```

to your script. It will send you a mail when the job aborts (indicated by a), or when the job ends (indicated by e).

10.1.3 Job Management

A list of all available scheduler commands is available from the Torque manual page. We describe next the use of some typical interactions to manage your jobs in the batch queue.

Job Submission

Once you have created a submission script, you can then use the qsub command to submit this job to be executed on the compute nodes:

```
$ qsub ring.pbs
20311.i136
```

The qsub command outputs either a job identifier or an error message describing why the scheduler would not accept your job. Alternatively, you can also use the msub command, which is very similar to the qsub command. For differences we ask you to consult the manual pages.

Job Deletion

Sometimes you may want to delete a job from the queue, which can be easily done with the qdel command, followed by the id:

```
$ qdel 20311
```

Job Monitoring

If your job is submitted successfully, you can track its execution using the qstat or showq commands. Both commands will show you the state of the jobs submitted to the scheduler. The difference is mostly in their output format.

showq: Divides the output into three sections: active jobs, eligible jobs, and blocked jobs:

```
$ showa
active jobs
JOBID USERNAME STATE PROCS REMAINING
                                                  STARTTIME
20311 yourusername Running 16 3:59:59 Tue Aug 17 09:02:40
1 active job 16 of 264 processors in use by local jobs (6.06%)
            2 of 33 nodes active (6.06%) eligible jobs
JOBID USERNAME STATE PROCS
                              REMAINING
                                          STARTTIME
O eligible jobs blocked jobs
______
JOBID USERNAME
                  STATE PROCS REMAINING
                                                  STARTTIME
0 blocked jobs
Total job: 1
```

Legend:

Active jobs: are jobs that are currently running on resources.

Eligible jobs: are jobs that are waiting for nodes to become available before they can run. As a general rule, jobs are listed in the order that they will be scheduled, but scheduling algorithms may change the order over time.

Blocked jobs: are jobs that the scheduler cannot run for some reason. Usually a job becomes blocked because it is requesting something that is impossible, such as more nodes than those which currently exist, or more processors per node than are installed.

qstat: provides a single table view, where the status of each job is added via a status column called S:

\$ qstat			
Job id	Name	User	Time Use S Queue
1981.i136	sub19327.sub	inca	00:00:00 C batch
20311.i136	testjob	yourusername	0 R batch

Legend:

Job id: is the identifier assigned to your job.

Name: is the name that you assigned to your job.

User: is the username of the person who submitted the job.

Time: is the amount of time the job has been running.

S: shows the job state. Common job states are R for a running job, Q for a job that is queued and waiting to run, C for a job that has completed, and H for a job that is being held.

Queue: is the name of the job queue where your job will run.

If you are interested in only your job use grep:

```
$ qstat | grep 20311
```

Job Output

If you gave your job a name with the **#PBS -N <jobname>** directive in your job script or by specifying the job name on the command line, your job output will be available in a file named **jobname.o#####**, where the **######** is the job number assigned by the job manager. You can type **ls jobname.o*** to see all output files from the same job name.

If you explicitly name an output file with the **#PBS -o <outfile>** directive in your job script or by specifying the output file on the command line, your output will be in the file you specified. If you run the job again, the output file will be overwritten.

If you don't specify any output file, your job output will have the same name as your job script, and will be numbered in the same manner as if you had specified a job name (**jobname.o**######).

10.1.4 Xray HPC Services

To log into the login node of xray please use the command:

```
ssh portalname@xray.futuregrid.org
```

Extensive documentation about the user environment of the Cray can be found at

• Cray XTTM Programming Environment User's Guide

For MPI jobs, use cc (pgcc). For best performance, add the xtpe-barcelona module:

```
% module add xtpe-module
```

Currently there is only one queue (batch) available to users on the Cray, and all jobs are automatically routed to that queue. You can use the same commands as introduced in the previous sections. Thus, to list the queues please use:

```
qstat -Q
```

To obtain details of running jobs and available processors, use the showq command:

```
/opt/moab/default/bin/showq
```

Submitting a Job on xray

To execute an MPI program on xray we use a special program called aprun in the submit script. Additionally we have some special resource specifications that we can pass along, such as mppwidth and mppnppn. An example is the following program that will use 16 processors on 2 nodes:

```
$ cat job.pbs
```

```
#! /bin/sh

#PBS -1 mppwidth=16
#PBS -1 mppnppn=8
#PBS -N hpcc-16
#PBS -j oe
#PBS -1 walltime=7:00:00

#cd to directory where job was submitted from cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
export MPICH_FAST_MEMCPY=1
export MPICH_PTL_MATCH_OFF=1
aprun -n 16 -N 8 -ss -cc cpu hpcc
$ qsub job.pbs
```

The XT5m is a 2D mesh of nodes. Each node has two sockets, and each socket has four cores. The batch scheduler interfaces with a Cray resource scheduler called APLS. When you submit a job, the batch scheduler talks to ALPS to find out what resources are available, and ALPS then makes the reservation.

Currently ALPS is a "gang scheduler" and only allows one "job" per node. If a user submits a job in the format aprun -n 1 a.out, ALPS will put that job on one core of one node and leave the other seven cores empty. When the next job comes in, either from the same user or a different one, it will schedule that job to the next node.

If the user submits a job with aprun -n 10 a.out, then the scheduler will put the first eight tasks on the first node and the next two tasks on the second node, again leaving six empty cores on the second node. The user can modify the placement with -N, -S, and -cc.

A user might also run a single job with multiple treads, as with OpenMPI. If a user runs this job aprun -n 1 -d 8 a.out, the job will be scheduled to one node and have eight threads running, one on each core.

You can run multiple, different binaries at the same time on the same node, but only from one submission. Submitting a script like this will not work:

```
OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 0 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 1 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 2 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 3 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 4 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 5 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 6 ./my-binary OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 aprun -n 1 -d 1 -cc 7 ./my-binary
```

This will run a job on each core, but not at the same time. To run all jobs at the same time, you need to first add all the binaries within one aprun command:

```
$ cat run-all.pbs
./my-binary1
./my-binary2
./my-binary3
./my-binary4
./my-binary5
./my-binary6
./my-binary7
./my-binary8
$ aprun -n 1 run.pbs
```

Alternatively, use the command aprun -n 1 -d 8 run.pbs. To run multiple serial jobs, you must build a batch script to divide the number of jobs into groups of eight, and the

10.1.5 Interactive Queues

The current queing system contains the ability to run interactive queues. This is quite usefule, if you need to debug programs interactively that you will run than in a bacth queue. To use this feature we provide here a simple exaple on how to use a node on bravo.

Start an interactive shell with X11 forwarding on bravo you have to first login into india as the bravo queues are currently controlled on india:

```
ssh -X india
```

Than you need to start an interactive node:

```
qsub -I -q bravo -X
```

As xterm is currently not installed on bravo, you can test the X11 forwarding with:

firefox

The best way is to find your own resources and let us know which we should add.

ELEVEN

HARDWARE

11.1 Hardware at Indiana University

In this section we describe the hardware that is available at Indiana University and allows you as part of course work or joint projects to gain easily access to them.

11.1.1 Compute Resources

The tables *Table: Compute Resources* and *Table: Compute Resource Details* show an overview of some imporatnt information about these clusters.

Table 11.1: Table: Compute Resources

Name	System Type	#	#	#	TFLOPS	RAM	Storage	Site
		Nodes	CPUS	Cores		(GB)	(TB)	
india	IBM iDataplex	128	256	1024	11	3072	335	IU
xray	Cray XT5m	1	166	664	6	1328	5.4	IU
bravo	HP Proliant	16	32	128	1.7	3072	128	IU
delta	SuperMicro GPU	16	32	192		1333	144	IU
	Cluster							
echo	SuperMicro ScaleMP	16	32	192	2	6144	192	IU
	Cluster							

Table 11.2: Table: Compute Resource Details

Name	India	Echo	Bravo	Delta	Xray
Organization	Indiana		Indiana	Indiana University	Indiana
_	University		University	-	University
Machine Type	Cluster	Cluster SclaeMP	Cluster	Cluster	Cluster
System Type	IBM iDataPlex dx 360 M2	Super- Micro	HP Proliant		Cray XT5m
CPU type	Intel Xeon X5550	Intel Xeon E5-2640	Intel Xeon E5620	Intel Xeon 5660	AMD Opteron 2378
Host Name	india	echo	bravo	delta	xray
CPU Speed	2.66GHz	2.50GHz	2.40GHz	2.80 GHz	2.4GHz
Number of CPUs	256		32	32	168
Number of nodes	128	12	16	16	1
RAM	24 GB DDR3 1333Mhz		192 GB DDR3 1333Mhz	192 GB DDR3 1333 Mhz	8 GB DDR2-800
Total RAM	3072		3072	3072	1344
(GB)					
Number of cores	1024	144	128		672
Operating System	Linux		Linux	Linux	Linux
Tflops	11		1.7		6
Disk Size (TB)	335	2.8	11,	15	335
Hard Drives	3000 GB Internal		6x2TB Internal	Seagate Constellation 7.2	6 TB
1141.0 211,00	7200 RPM SATA		7200 RPM	K RPM 64 MB Cache	Internal
	Drive		SATA Drive	SATA 92GB	Lustre
					Storage
Primary	NFS		NFS	NFS	NFS
storage shared					
by all nodes					
Storage details				RAID 9260-4i 1pt SAS2 512 MB SGL	
Connection	Mellanox 4x		Mellanox 4x		Cray
configuration	DDR InfiniBand		DDR InfiniBand		SeaStar In-
	adapters		adapters		terconnect
Primary					
storage shared					
by all nodes					
CPUs (cores)				2	
per node					
Cores per CPU				6	
Total number				192	
of GPU cores				THE T COSES	
GPU type				nVIDIA Tesla C2070	
Cores per GPU				448	
GPUs per node				2	
Batch system				Torque	

11.1.2 Networks

Resource	Network		
Name	Devices		
IU Cray	Cray 2D Torus		
	SeaStar		
IU iDataPlex	DDR IB	QLogic switch with Mellanox	Blade Network Technologies & Force 10
		ConnectX adapters	Ethernet switches

Below is further information about networking:

Re-	Network Switch	Link
source		
Future-	Juniper EX8200	
Grid		
Core		
India	Force10 C-150	Juniper/Dell EX
		series Force 10
Bravo	Force10 S60	force10-s60
Delta	Force10 S60	
Echo	Force10 S60	
Xray	Force10, C-150	Force10-c150
Node	built-in (IBM iDataPlex DX360 M2) dual Intel 82575EB Gigabit Network	
NICs	Connection 10Gbps, Myricom Myri-10G Dual-Protocol NIC (available on login	
	node)	

Todo

network swithes inside india not corerct old switch is IBM rack switches (formerly BNT) but that switch was replaced

TWELVE

DEVOPS

12.1 Historical and Functionality Perspective

- Make (1977)
- · GNU autotools
- rpm/yum
- DevOps

```
*cfengine * puppet * chef
```

12.2 Makefile

To manage large software programs it is often necessary to recompile them and to just focus on the peaces of code that are new. Thus software developers have early on focussed on building software components and libraries that can be separately compiled and integrated in the overall program executable through for example libraries.

Unfortunately, this comes also at a price that the management of such "assembled" software can be quite complex and involves the compilation of code in a particular order or the creation of artifacts during compile time.

To coordinate such execution *Makefiles* have been popular as they provide the ability to integrate a simple structure in the compile process, while detecting changes to source code that itself invoke actions as part of the make process.

The coordination of the process is specified in a *makefile* that contains targets that get invoked based on conditions such as that a source file has changed. The target has a body attached with it that will be executed when the precondition to the target is fulfilled.

Through a series of targets relatively sophisticated compile workflows can be specified and often the developer has to just call the command:

```
make
```

In addition make has also the ability to execute the programs in parallel while using the option -*j*. For large programs this can provide a significant speedup during the program assembly.

A sample Makefile looks as follows:

```
g++ -c main.cpp

message.o: message.cpp
g++ -c message.cpp

ring.o: ring.cpp
g++ -c ring.cpp

clean:
    rm -rf *o ring
```

This example makefile creates a program with the name ring while integrating the *ring.c* and the *message.c* code into a single executable called *ring*.

On Unix systems one can find out more about make when saying:

```
man make
```

Much more detailed information is provided at

• http://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html

12.2.1 Practical Other Applications of Make

If you look at the process on how we create the documentation of this Web page, you will also see a number of Makefiles. Although we do not create c, we do create a web pages based on Sphinx translating rst files to html pages. This indicates the versatility of make.

12.2.2 Exercises

1. Write a c++ program that prints "Hello Cloud". Use a library cloud.o and create the program hello with a Makefile

12.3 Shell Scripts

Often shells are used to interact with computers n the command line. they provide convenient access to a number of commands and functionality that makes interactive experiments through a series of command possible. Shells are interpreters that provide a minimal environment to allow easy scripting of commands as part of schell scripts. Features that are of the used are aliasses, command definition, function, and clearly batch operations by listing commands sequentially in a shell script. Programming language features such as loops and conditions are also provided.

As shell scripts are executed as part of the OS no further install is necessary to run them.

However in contrast to modern programming languages and interpreters some functionality is missing. Also large amount of shell scripts become quite difficult to maintain due to the lack of more modern programming language features.

Therefor it is today common to use perl and more important; python for the development of large scale scripts.

However, a large number of "tricks" and existing scripts makes shell scripts still a viable option for many developers. In addition it has the advantage that it will be immediately available after the install of the OS, thus it is of great help in case of managing distributed machines.

Variants of shells exist that can execute the same command in parallel on multiple distributed machines which comes in handy for cluster management.

12.3.1 Exercises:

- 1. Write a shell script that prints you username and lists the files in your home directory.
- 2. Write a shell script that converts all jpg files to png. (If you copy the example form http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shell_script please make sure to walk through the example and understand in detail the syntax and the meaning of the program).
- 3. Search in our page for the term "pdsh"

12.4 Configure

Due to the many different computer systems it is important o note that libraries compiled on one system may not exist on another system or that different files need to be involved as part of the make process on the various systems. For example a command may not exist with the same name on the different computers.

To assit in this task developers use configure scripts that adapt to the underlaying enviorinment by abstarcting system related dependencies and fulfilling them with concrete implementations. As part of this process the Makefile will typically created and also a target install will be defined in the Makefile tu guide the insatlation process. Hence the process usually looks like:

```
./confugure make make install
```

A good image showcaseing all component involved in the configure process is available in Wikipedia. It depicts how a compatible Makefile can be generated. Developers will work on creating a Makefile in with the available tools, that than will be used as the input to configure to create the actual makefile.

12.5 Excersises

- 1. What is autoconf and auomake?
- 2. Showcase the development of a Makefile.in for our Hello cloud example.
- 3. Use configure to deploy it

12.6 Package Managers

RPM

• http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RPM_Package_Manager

YUM

• http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yellowdog_Updater,_Modified

apt-get

• https://help.ubuntu.com/community/AptGet/Howto

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RESTRUCTUREDTEXT

Cheatcheat

- http://github.com/ralsina/rst-cheatsheet/raw/master/rst-cheatsheet.pdf
- http://docutils.sourceforge.net/docs/ref/rst/directives.html

Important extensions:

• http://sphinx-doc.org/ext/todo.html

Todo

add missing details about rst here.

13.1 Sections

RST allows to specify a number of sections. You can do this with the various underlines:

Chapter

Section
Subsection
Subsubsection
Paragraph

13.2 Exceltable

we have integrated Excel table from http://pythonhosted.org//sphinxcontrib-exceltable/ intou our sphinx allowing the definition of more elaborate tables specified in excel. Howere the most convenient way may be to use list-tables. The documentation to list tables can be found at http://docutils.sourceforge.net/docs/ref/rst/directives.html#list-table

13.3 Autorun

Autorun is an extension for **Sphinx**_ that can execute the code from a runblock directive and attach the output of the execution to the document.

For example:

Mon Sep 15 16:20:26 EDT 2014

However, when it comes to excersises we do preferthe use of ipython notebooks as this allows us to present them also to users as self contained excersises.

13.4 Todo

\$ date

```
Todo
an example
```

FOURTEEN

INDICES AND TABLES

- genindex
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- search
- notebooks