

COEN 241 Introduction to Cloud Computing

Lecture 2 - Virtualization





Lecture 1 Recap

- Cloud Computing Primer
- Course Overview
 - Course Objectives
 - Course Structure
 - TODOs
 - Logistics
 - Instructor Information
- Readings
 - Recommended: CCSA 1.1 1.3
 - Optional: CCSA 1.5 1.15





What is Cloud Computing?

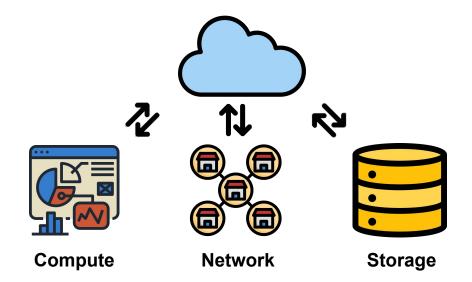
Cloud computing is a model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., server, network, storage & applications) that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction.*





What is Cloud Computing?

On demand access to





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- The illusion of "Ubiquitous" & infinite "Shared Pool" of computing resources available "On-Demand".
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- Rapidly and automatically provisioned computing resources.
- Minimal hardware / infrastructure management with increased reliability.





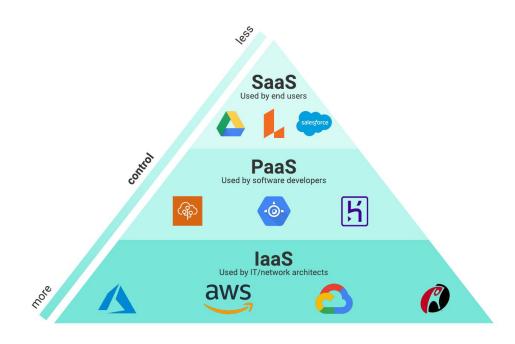
Cloud Computing Enables:

- Access to need-based performance.
- The elimination of an up-front commitment by Cloud users.
 - Allows companies to start small and expand only when needed.
- The ability to pay for use of computing resources on a short-term basis as needed (e.g., processors by the hour and storage by the day)
 - Rewards freeing resources when they are no longer useful.





Cloud Service Models





Cloud Deployment Models











Agenda for Today

- HW 0 Preview & Project Overview
- Multitenancy
- Virtualizations
- History of Virtualization
- Readings
 - o Recommended: CCSA 2.1-2.2
 - Optional:
 - http://www.firmcodes.com/memory-thrashing-in-operating-system/
 - https://www.ibm.com/cloud/learn/virtualization-a-complete-quide
 - http://www.leeandmelindavarian.com/Melinda/25paper.pdf





HW 0 Preview

- Provided to give you some background context of Linux shell & git
- Keep the Shell tutorial for your reference
- Just need to submit short answers on Camino





Project TODO Overview

- Form Teams by Friday! Everyone must submit.
- Project Proposal by next Wednesday!
 - Brief description of the goal, motivation, technologies you will use, etc.
 - More details soon
- Project Presentation (last two (or three) classes of the quarter)
 - 20 minutes of presentation + demo
 - You will get a signup sheet after forming the groups
- Final Project (due finals week)
 - Conference style paper 6~8 pages





Multitenancy



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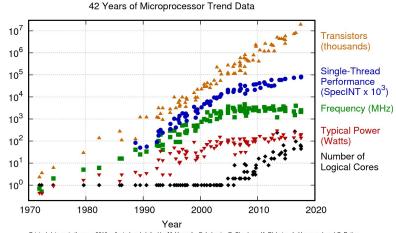
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The Need for a "Shared Pool"

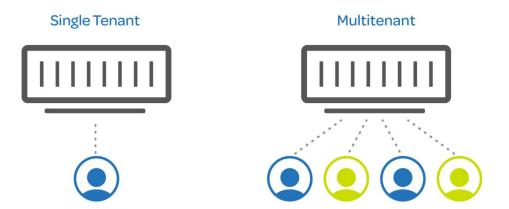
- CPUs are getting more powerful (Higher speed, More cores)
- Often times, a single user does not fully utilize a single machine
 - Both in processing power and time
 - Average utilization is < 20%
- Often more cost efficient to "split" a large machine than having many small machines (due to fixed cost in wiring, networking and management)





Multitenancy

 Definition: An architecture where multiple users share a single (software or hardware) resource





Multitenancy

- Benefits
 - Cost efficient
 - Easier to monitor and manage
 - Easily scalable
- Drawbacks
 - Generally more complex architecture
 - Security and isolation
 - Allocation







How to Enable Multitenancy?

- Virtualization!
 - A core part of this course
- Definition: Using software to create an abstraction layer over the hardware that allows the hardware elements of a single computer—processors, memory, storage and more—to be divided into multiple virtual elements.





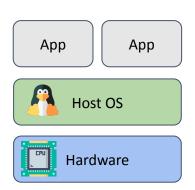


Virtualization



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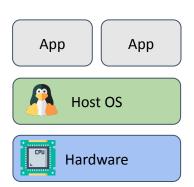
- What are processes?
- How are they different from Threads?
- To make things simple, can't we just run a set of separate processes (or threads) for a given user?
 - We have multi-core systems now
 - Simple to manage
 - OS is now smart enough!
 - No need to learn virtualization! Bye bye
 - O Why can't we do this?





Why can't we just have multiple processes?

- Hard to control resource contention
 - Need fine grained resource management for each process
- Hard to manage dependencies
 - All the users must be compatible with the shared OS
 - Cannot run different versions of the kernel
- Hard to guarantee performance!
 - Memory Thrashing
 - Unfair I/O access





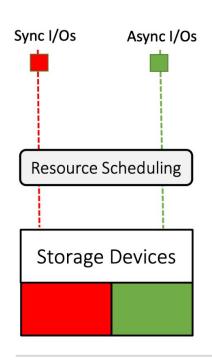
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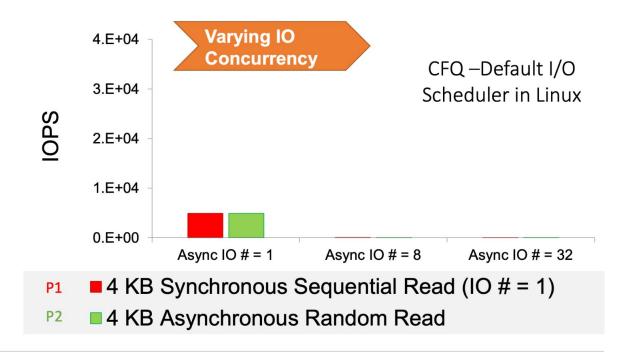
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int main() {
       int i;
       char *p[2048];
       for(i=0;i<2048;i++) {
              p[i]=malloc(1024000); // allocate 1 MB
              memset(p[i],'\0',1024000); // set as 0s
       while(1) {
              if (i > = 2048)
                     i = 0;
              memset(p[i],'\0',1024000);
              j++;
```

- What does this program do?
- What would happen if we run 10 processes with the same code given on the right?
- What happens if we have machines with following amounts of RAM?
 - 2GB
 - 10GB
 - 20GB



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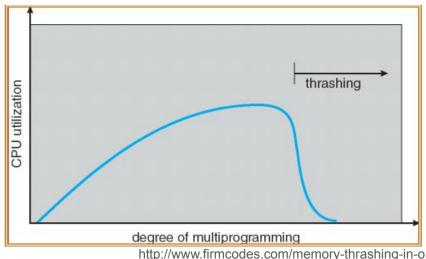
- What happens if we increase the number of asynchronous IOs to 4?
- What happens if we increase the number of asynchronous IOs to 32?



Memory Thrashing

- Memory thrashing is a problem that arises when the memory being accessed is much more than the physical memory.
 - Unpredictive contention
 - Any solution?

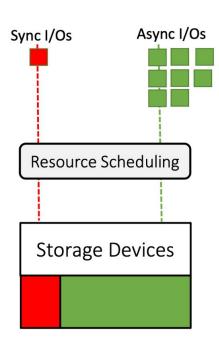
Memory Managment CPU cache RAM RAM Page In vertual memory or Hard disk Page Out

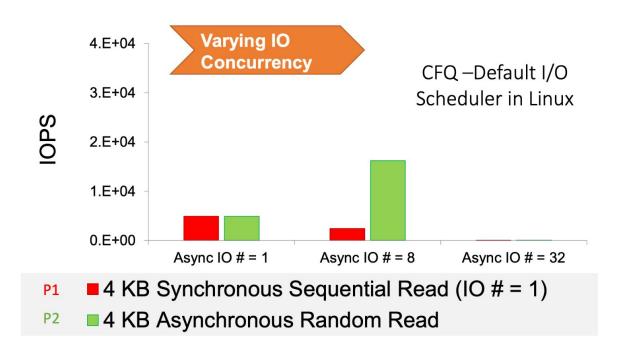


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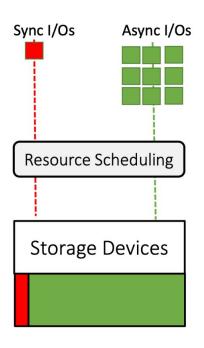
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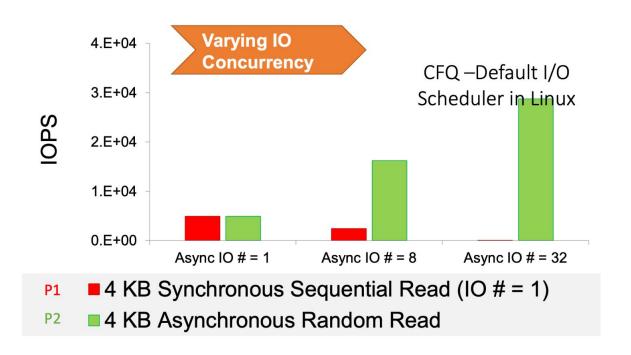






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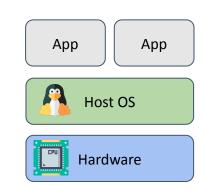






Pros & Cons of Having Multiple Processes

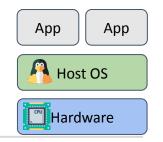
- Pros:
 - Multiple applications (from different users) can run "simultaneously".
 - Maximize resource utilization
 e.g., multiple processes on a multi-core system
- Cons
 - Contention
 - Dependency/Compatibility Issues
 - The application's version and the OS version should (strictly) match one another other





Potential Solutions

- Contention
 - Strong regulation, such as limiting (via metering)
 - More advanced resource management: limit, share, and reservation for multiple resources, such as CPU, memory, block I/O, and network
- Dependency/compatibility
 - Provide processes with their own view of the system
 - With their own running environments (i.e., library versions)
- Virtualization!





What is Virtualization?

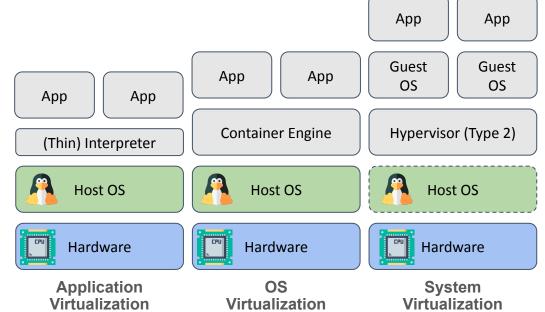
- The act of creating a virtual (rather than actual) version of something, including virtual computer hardware platforms, storage devices, and computer network resources.
- Virtualization is about adding a layer for manageability
 - Virtualization support is increasingly being added into various software and hardware





Types of Virtualization

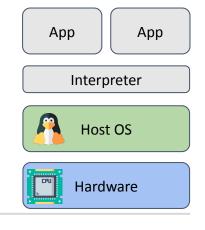
- Application Virtualization
 - E.g., JVM, PVM
- OS Virtualization
 - Containers
- System Virtualization
 - Virtual Machines
- Network Virtualization
- Storage Virtualization
- Many more...





Application Virtualization

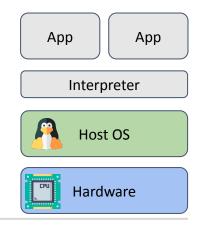
- Purpose: Provide a platform-independent programming environment that abstracts the underlying hardware or OS and allows a program to execute in the same way on any platform
- What is virtualized?
 - Processor
 - System calls
 - Memory management
- Each application is run as a separate process
- Examples: Java Virtual Machine





Application Virtualization

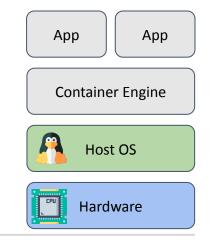
- Benefit
 - Portability
- Drawbacks
 - Language dependent, i.e, not flexible





OS Virtualization

- Virtualizing everything above the Host OS Kernel
 - Userspace
- We will revisit this concept!





Digression: What is a Kernel?

- Operating System is system program that provides interface between user and computer.
- Kernel is the core component of an operating system. It is also a system program and a part of OS which converts user commands into machine language.





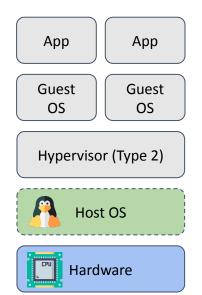
Digression: What is a Kernel?

	KERNEL	OPERATING SYSTEM
Definition	Kernel is part of an OS	Operating System is a system program.
Interface	Kernel is an interface between software and hardware	Operating System is an interface between user and hardware.
Туре	Monolithic and Microkernels	Single and Multiprogramming batch system, Distributed, Realtime
Purpose	Manages kernel memory, processes, task and disk	In addition to the responsibilities of Kernel, OS provides added security, UI, window manager and etc.



System Virtualization

- What is virtualized?
 - o CPU: vCPU
 - vMem
 - virtual network card
 - virtual hard disks
 - Even usb ports and more
- Creates a virtual computer system, called virtual machine (VM) consisting of the set of (virtual) hardware, upon which a full (guest) OS runs.
- Hypervisor manages the virtual machines

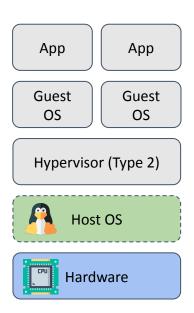




Hypervisor (Virtual Machine Monitor)

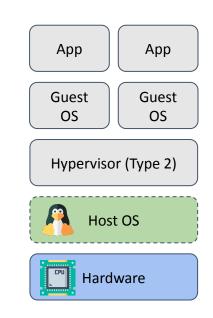
- A thin layer of software that's between the hardware and the operating system
- Virtualizes and manages all (or most) hardware resources for VMs
- Examples
 - Virtualbox
 - QEMU
 - VMWare
 - Parallels
 - Xen
 - KVM

We will cover this more next lecture





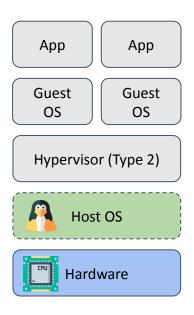
- A fully protected and isolated copy of the underlying physical machine's hardware (i.e., emulated by software)
- Must be created configured
- Portable and reconfigurable as needed
 - Open Virtualization Format (OVF)
 - Disk image





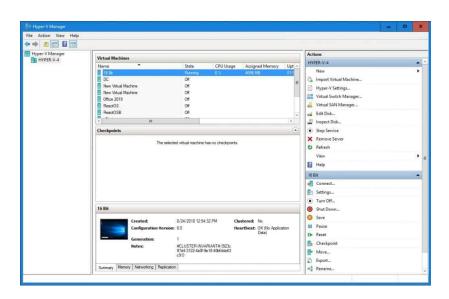
- Example of Virtual Machines
 - Virtual Disk Image file (VDI) for VirtualBox

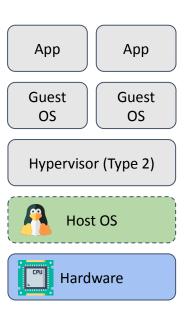






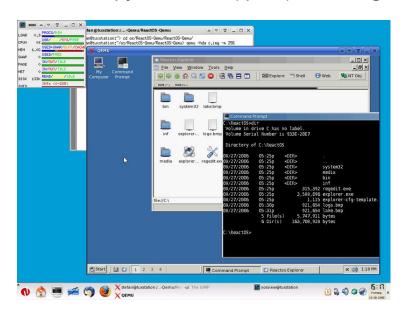
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 - Virtual Hard Disk image (VHD) for Hyper-V

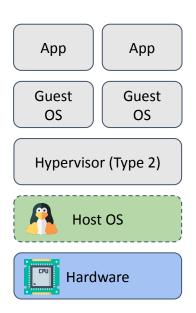






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 - "QEMU Copy On Write" (qcow) disk image for QEMU

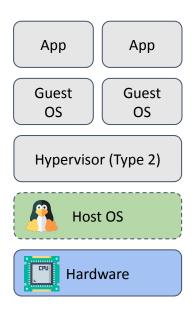






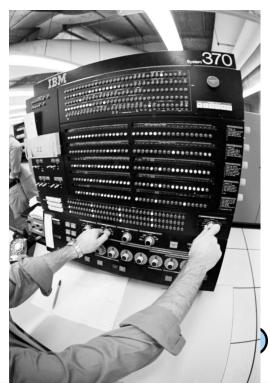
Pros & Cons of System Virtualization

- Pros
 - Strong isolation (than containers)
 - More levels of protection VM's kernel and host kernel
 - Full OS
- Cons
 - Performance overhead
 - Large memory & storage footprint
 - More configurations needed





- IBM VM/370 A Hypervisor for IBM mainframe
 - Released in 1972
 - Build for IBM System/370 Mainframes
 - Model 145 priced from \$705,775 to \$1,783,000
 - Reimplementation of earlier CP/CMS OS.
 - Control Program/Cambridge Monitor System
 - Discontinued time-sharing OS of the late 1960s and early 1970s
 - Enables multiple OS environments
 - Full virtualization of the physical machine
- Feasible option when only few & costly machines are around





- VMs became popular research idea in 1960s and 1970s
 - Entire conferences on virtual machine monitors
 - Hardware, Hypervisors & OS were often designed together

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- Interest died out in the 1980s and 1990s
 - Hardware got much cheaper
 - Operating systems got more powerful (e.g. multi-user)





- Early x86 computers were underpowered
 - Windows 95 with few applications often maxed-out resources
 - Server work left to expensive server-class computers
- PC computing power increased
 - X86 servers began to appear
 - Mostly under-utilized due to no virtualization
- x86 virtualization surged mid-2000s thanks to the Xen hypervisor





- Commercial virtual machines for x86 architecture
 - Connectx VirtualPC (now Microsoft)
 - VMware (1999-)
 - KVM (Linux)
- Research virtual machines for x86 architecture
 - Xen (SOSP '03)
 - o Plex86
- Now widely used in all public cloud providers!





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TODOs!

- HW 0
 - On Camino
- Start looking for teams ASAP!





Questions?

