

What cloud?



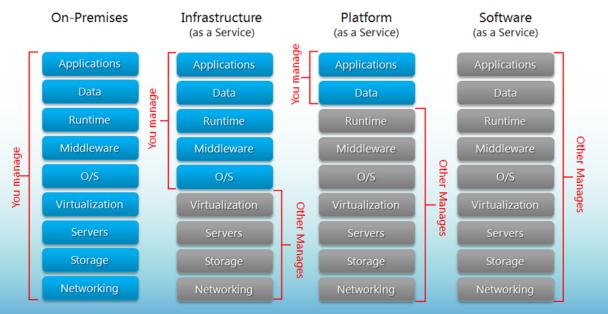
- Terminology overload, used to mean e.g.:
 - Storage services (Dropbox)
 - Virtual server hosting (Amazon Web Services)
 - Software platforms (Google App Engine)
 - Pretty much any web service
 - The Internet as a whole
- Self-service and automation are the common features







Separation of Responsibilities





Pouta Clouds in general

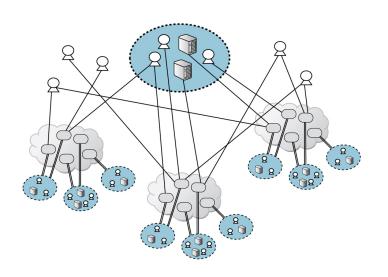
- True self-service IaaS
 - Deploy your own virtual machines, storage and network as requirements evolve
- Powered by OpenStack
 - CSC does a lot of integration and customization, often based on feedback received from customers
- Simple to create and modify VMs
 - o Web UI, CLI & REST API interfaces
- Diverse set of hardware to serve many use cases
 - High Performance Computing nodes
 - General purpose nodes
 - Data Intensive Computing nodes (upcoming)





cPouta use cases

- Running scientific applications
 - Computational clusters
 - Software stacks not available on other CSC platforms
- Building custom services
 - Web servers, file servers etc.
 - Software Defined Infrastructure (DevOps)
 - Rapidly deploying dev/test/prod environments
- Virtual computer class
- Research data/information sharing
- Whatever you can think of. We urge you to experiment!



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Virtual machine flavors in cPouta

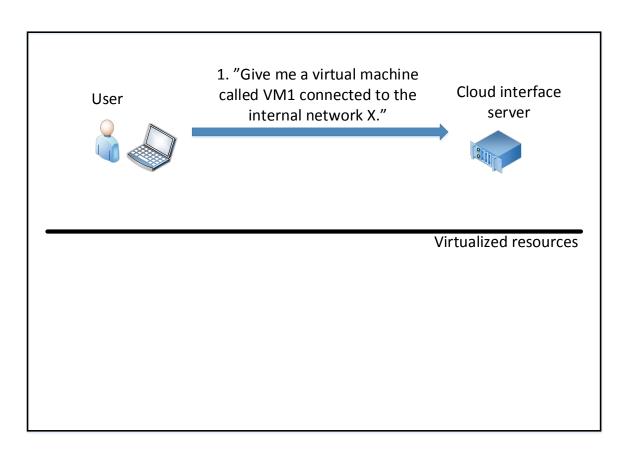
VM type	Description	Use
standard.*	Oversubscribed "traditional" cloud virtual machines.	All non-CPU, non-IO intensive workloads
hpcgen1.*	Non-oversubscribed, non-HT Sandy Bridge nodes (Taito)	CPU intensive HPC/HTC workloads
hpcgen2.*	Non-oversubscribed, HT Haswell large memory nodes	Memory and CPU intensive HPC/HTC workloads
io.* (H1/2016)	SSD-backed high IOPS nodes	IOPS intensive workloads



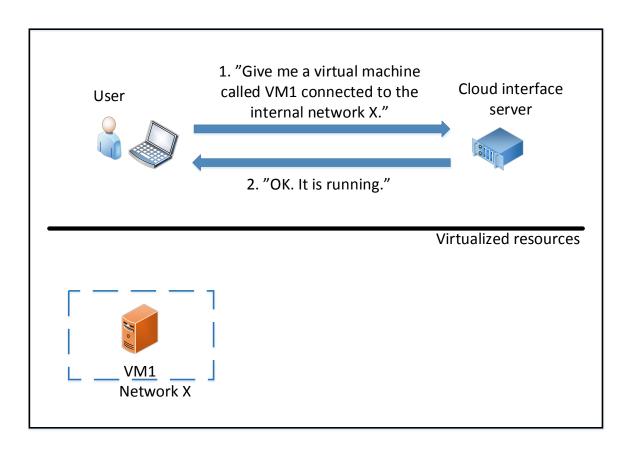
What OpenStack?

- Set of tools to build an IaaS cloud for creating virtualized
 - o servers
 - networks
 - storage
- OpenStack is to the datacenter what Linux is to a server an operating system
- Just like there are many Linux distributions, there are many OpenStack distributions
- Full end-user control and responsibility of their infrasrtucture

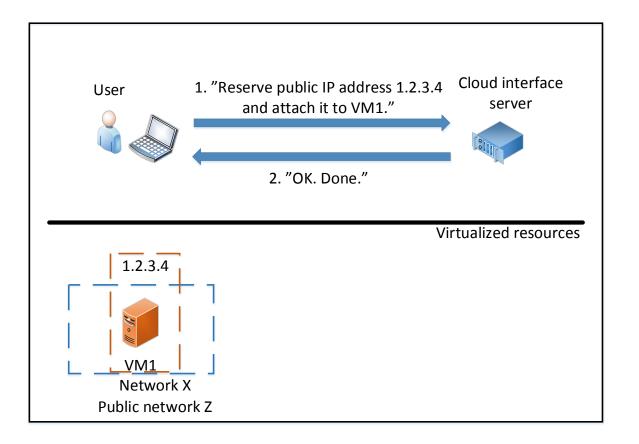




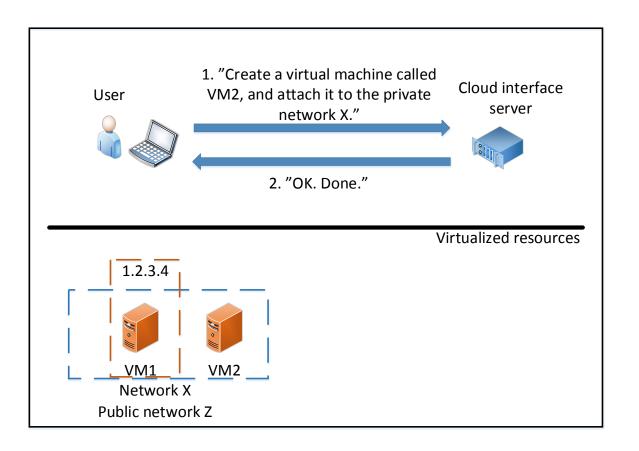




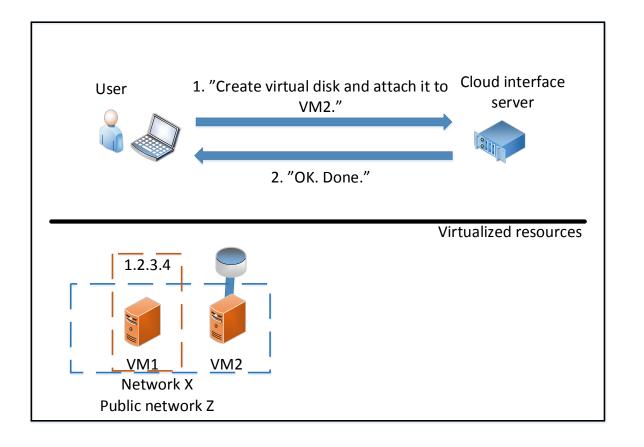




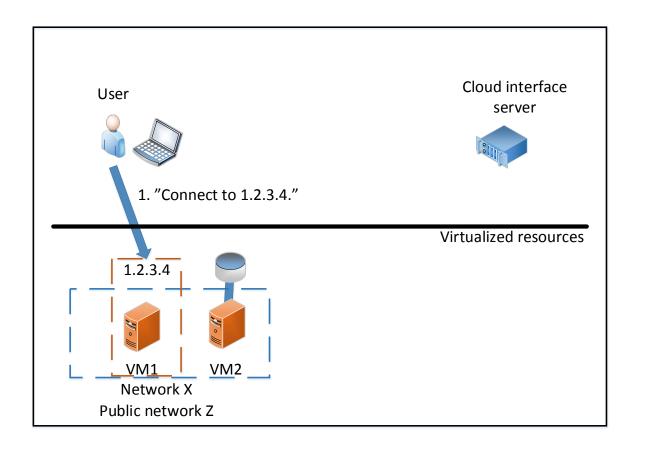










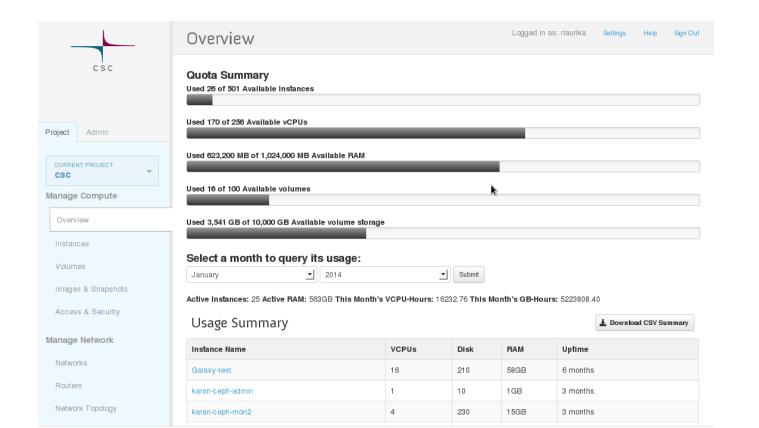


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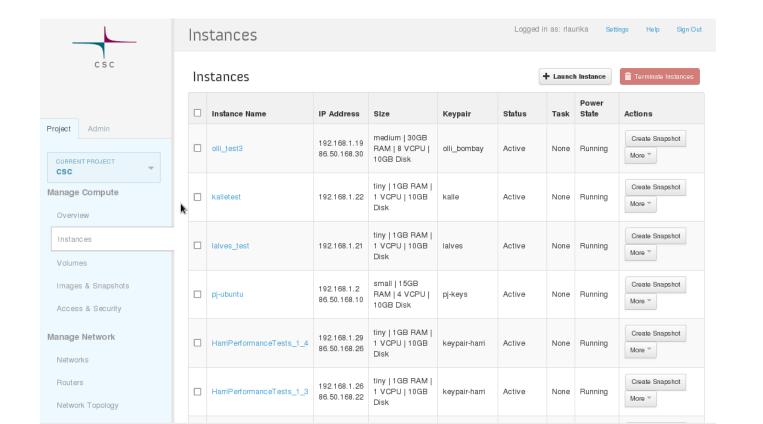
Interfaces

- Web
 - o Works from any modern browser
 - Launch, list, terminate servers
 - Server console in the browser
 - Manage storage and networks
- Command line
 - Can do all the same things as the web interface and more
- API
 - Management through a programmable interface

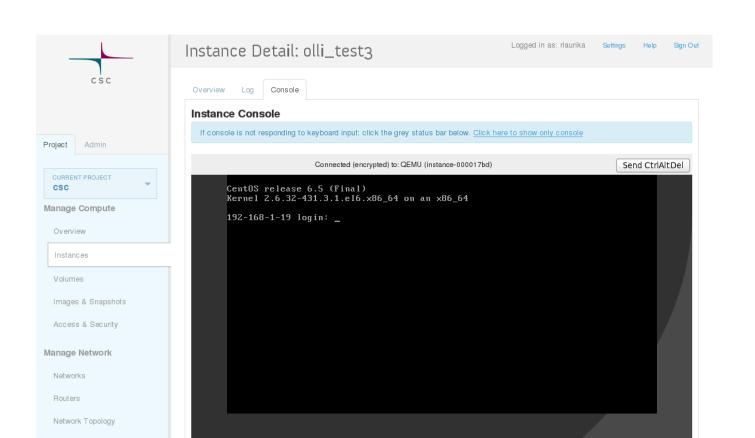












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rlaurika@pilkkasiipi ~ $
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rlaurika@pilkkasiipi ~ \$ nova list

Storage types in OpenStack

- OS image
 - The root disk of the VM
 - Usually not very large for efficiency reasons
- Ephemeral disk = scratch
 - Throw-away scratch disk
 - o Disappears when VM instance is deleted
- Volumes = persistent block storage
 - Persistent disk for storing hot data
 - Can be attached and detached to/from a running VM
- Swift = reliable object storage (Coming 2016)
 - Replicated storage for cold data
 - Accessed over HTTP
- Still missing: shared file system (CIFS,NFS,..)



The most obvious workflow when using a cloud



- 1. Start a virtual machine
- 2. Login
- 3. Configure some software using the command line
 - Install some packages
 - Edit a few configuration files
 - Make a few changes to the firewall
 - Start some services
- 4. Done!

What needs to fail for this workflow to fail? Just one of these:







Some recommendations

- Automate as much as possible
- Separate configuration from state



Automate as much as possible

- If something goes wrong, manual recovery may be difficult or impossible
- Make it easy to recreate your VMs from scratch
- Configuration management helps. Some tools for that:
 - Ansible
 - Puppet
 - Chef



Separate configuration from state

- Configuration is installed software, configuration files, firewall rules etc.
- State is e.g. data in a database or data produced by a computation
- Where to store each:
 - Configuration: VM's local filesystem
 - State: persistent volume (like a virtual hard drive attached to the VM)
- You should have a backup of both your state and your configuration



Ansible (http://www.ansible.com)

- Free and open source software for automating configuration tasks
- Easy to use
- No need to install anything on the machine to be configured SSH is enough
- For an example, see:
 - o https://github.com/CSC-IT-Center-for-Science/pouta-ansible-demo

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Hands on exercises

Documentation:

https://research.csc.fi/pouta-user-guide

- 1. Setup prerequisites
 - SSH key
 - Security group
- 2. Launch a virtual machine (use CentOS 7)
- 3. Assign a floating IP to the VM
- 4. Login to the VM
- 5. Attach block storage