



VSM (Virtual Storage Manager)

- Simplify Ceph Management and foster adoption

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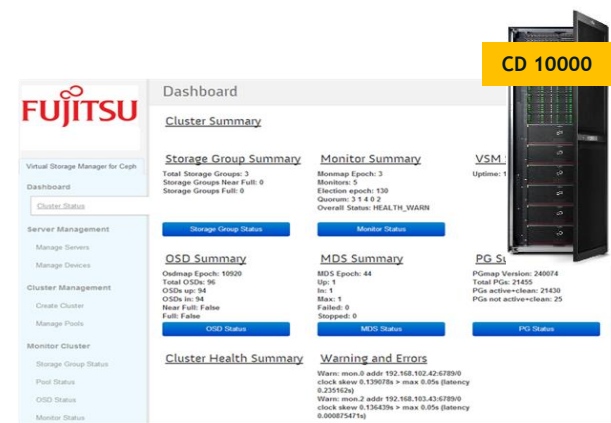
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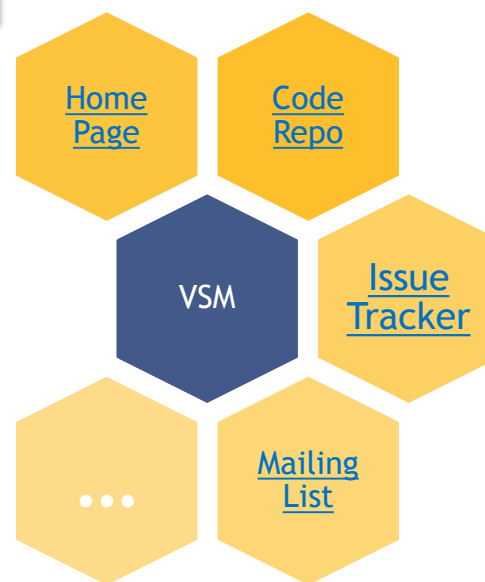
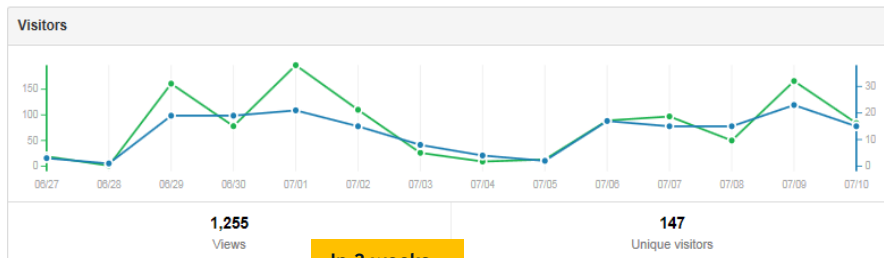
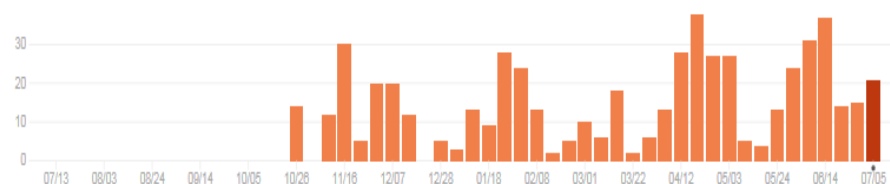
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General Information

- VSM (Virtual Storage Manager) is an open source ceph management tool developed by Intel, and announced on 2014 Nov's Openstack Paris summit. It is initially positioned as ceph cluster management tool for administrator to lower the barrier for adoption of Ceph.
- The project earns a lot of interests from community, a few companies decided to adopt in production.



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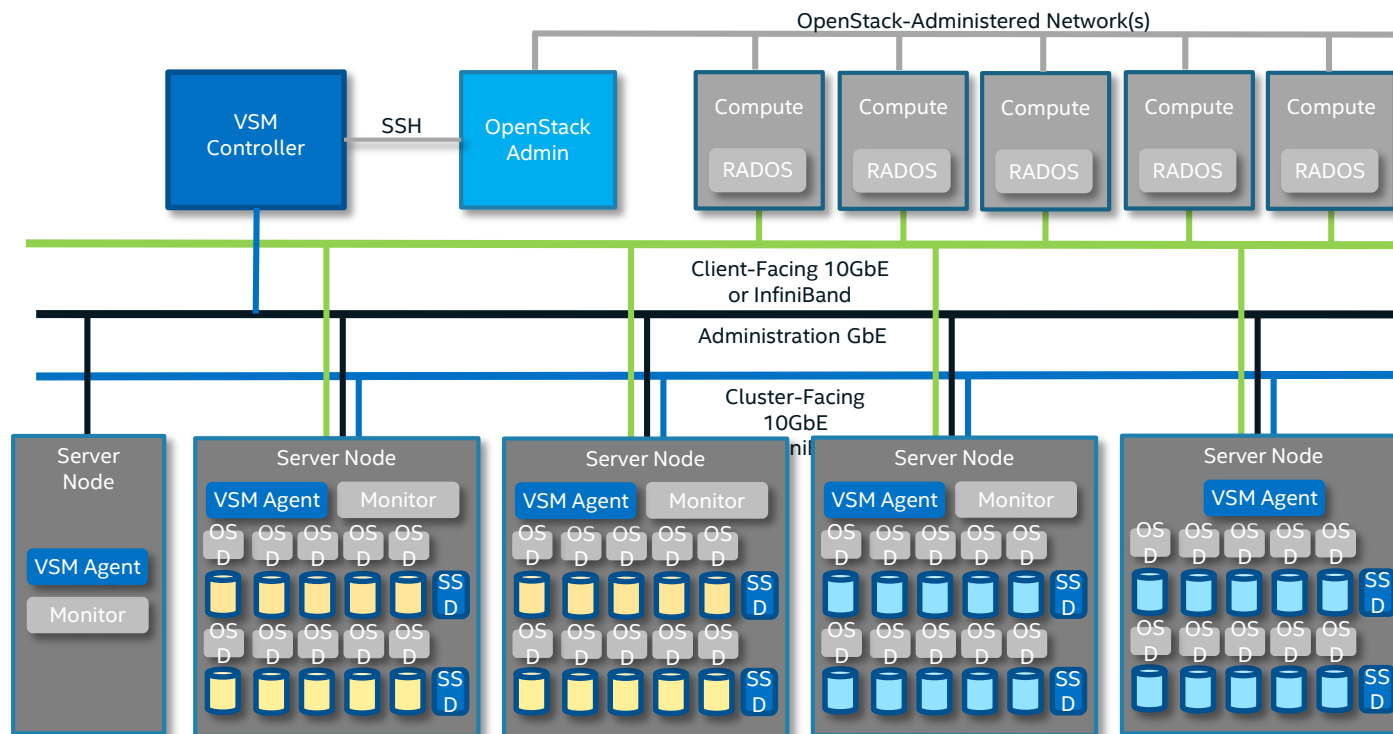
What it is ...

VSM Controller

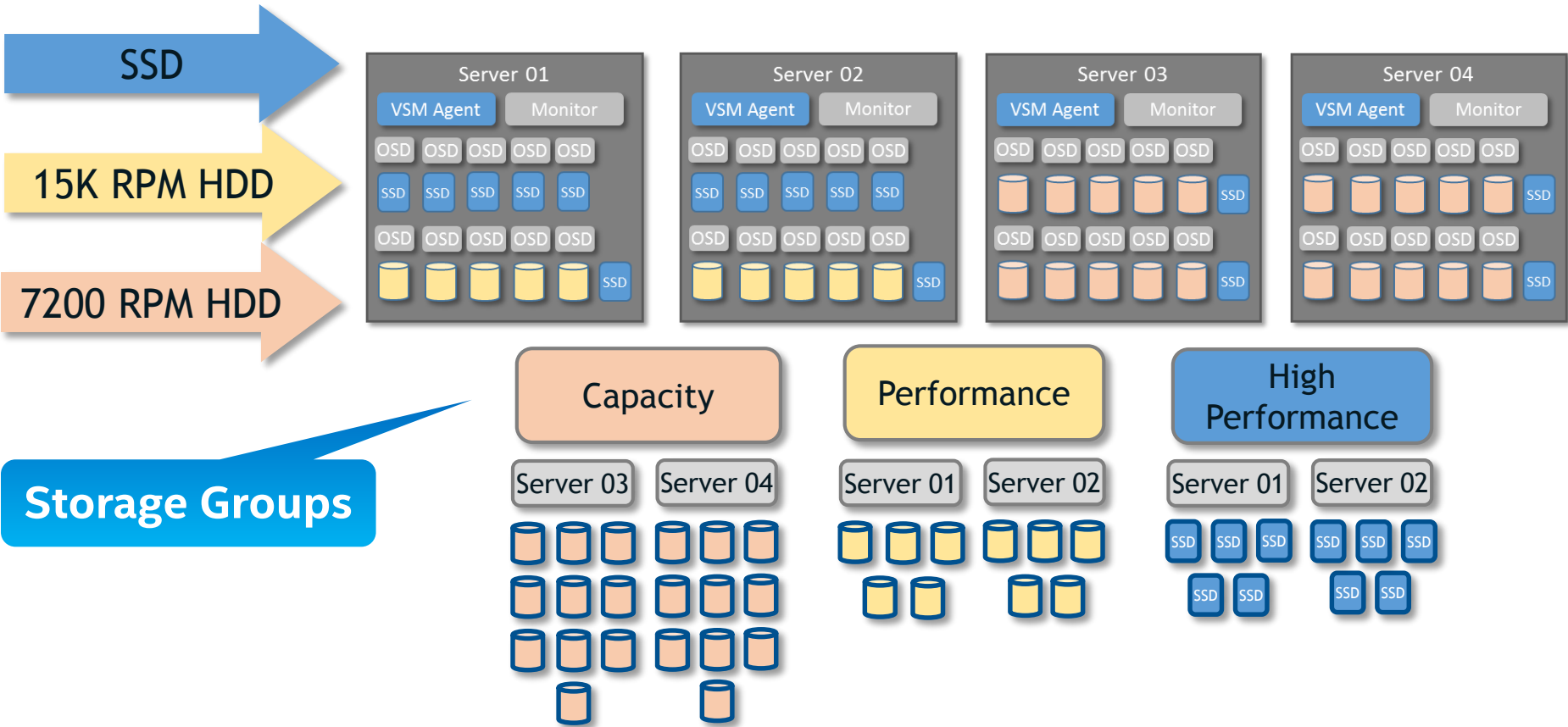
- Connects to Ceph cluster through VSM agent
- Connects to OpenStack Nova controller (optional) via SSH

VSM Agent

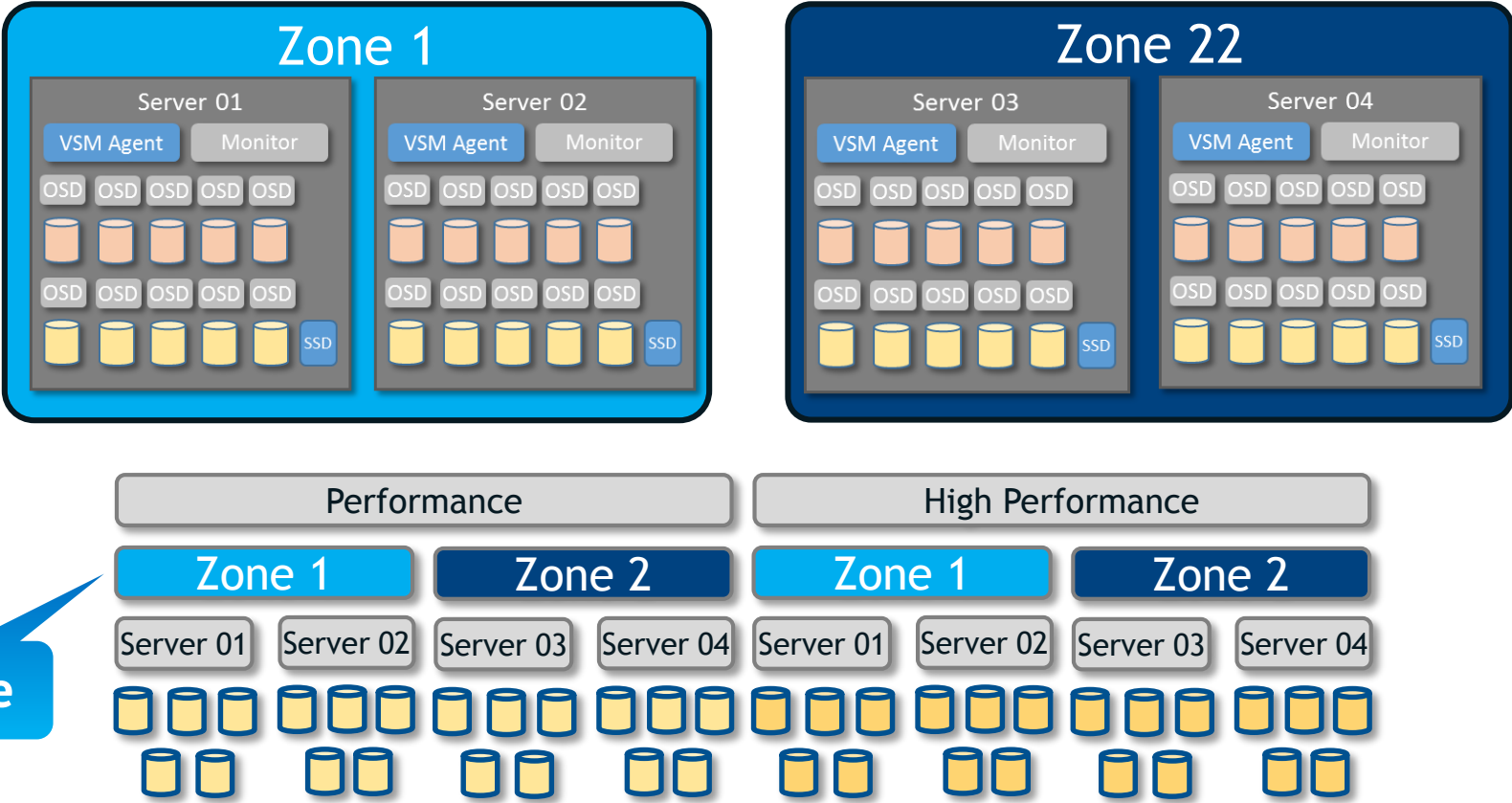
- Runs on every server in the Ceph cluster
- Relays server configuration & status information to VSM controller



Organizing Storage with Storage Groups



Managing Failure Domains with Zone



Architecture

Python-vsmclient

- This is a client for the vsm API, it consists of
- a Python API (the vsmclient module),
- a command-line script (vsm). Each implements 100% of the vsm API.

Vsm

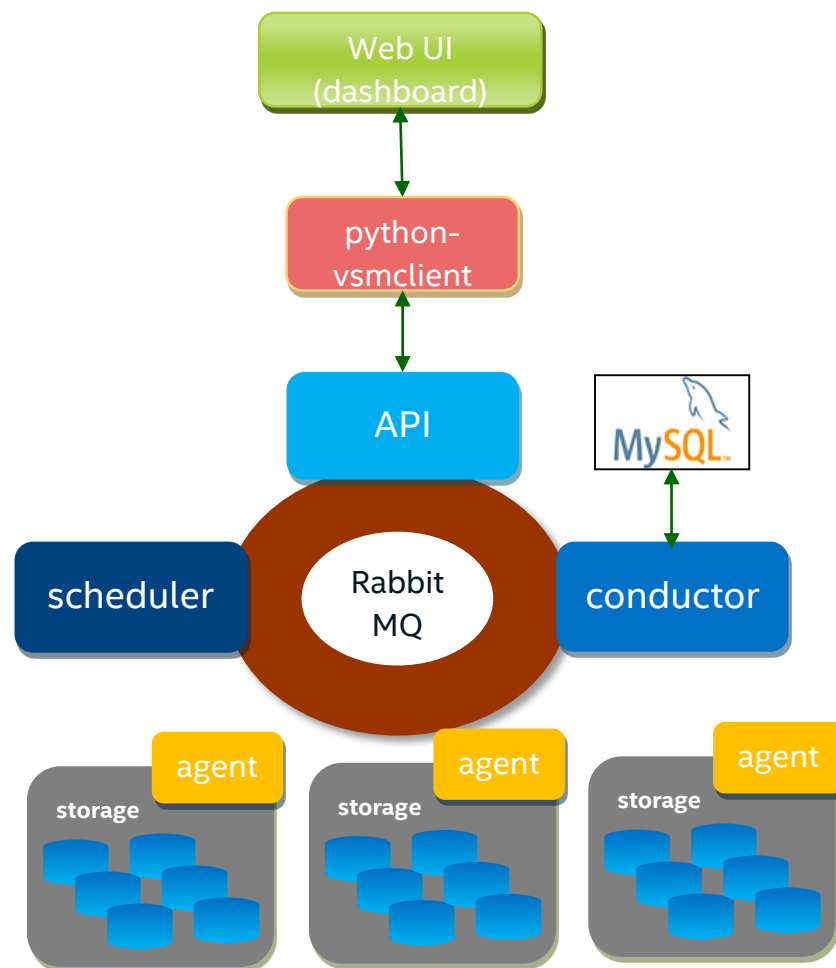
- A major module for ceph management

Vsm-dashboard

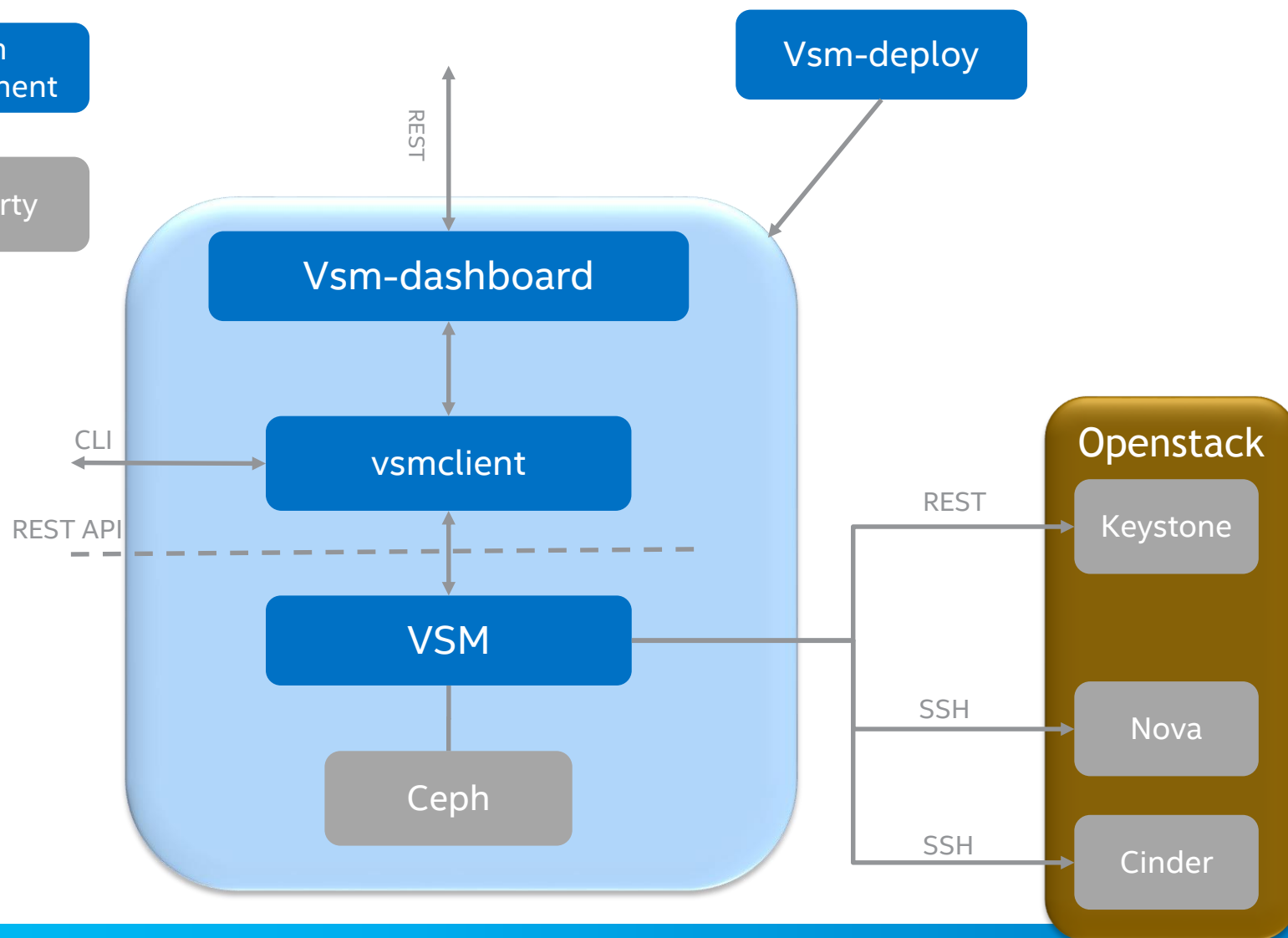
- web based management interface for VSM.

Vsm-deploy

- The ceph deployment tool kit provided by VSM.



Component Relationships

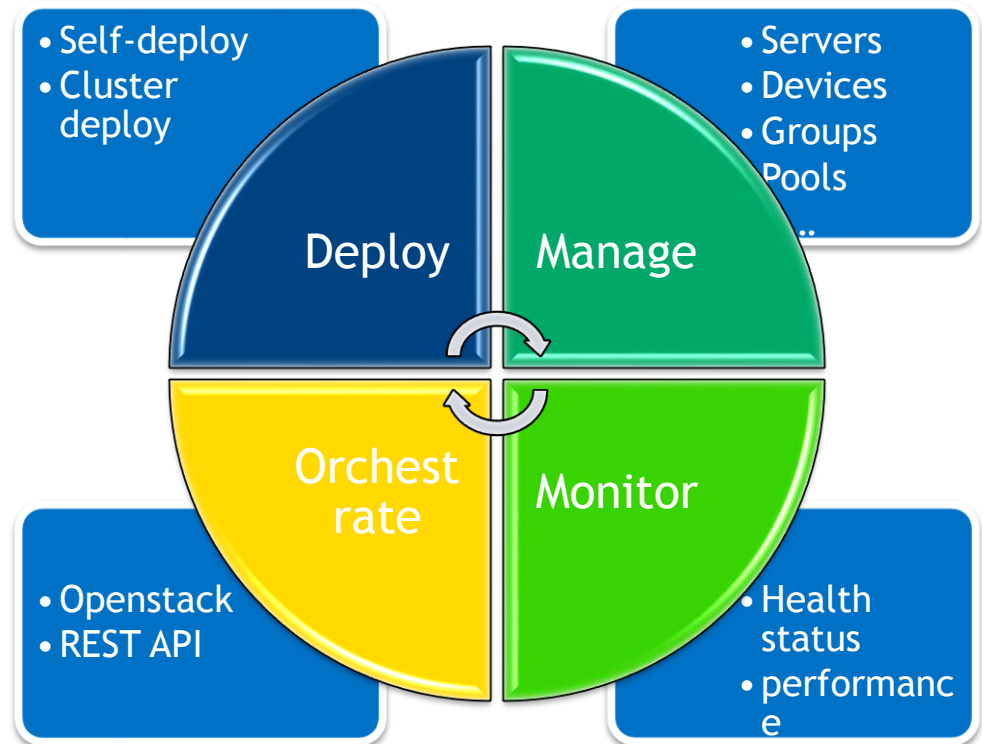


Major Features

Support Matrix:

- OS:
 - CentOS 6.5/7
 - Ubuntu 14
- Ceph
 - Firefly,
 - Giant,
 - Hammer
- Openstack
 - Havana
 - Icehouse
 - Juno

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Major Features

❑ VSM & Ceph Deployment

- ✓ Automatically deploy controller and agents
- ✓ Visually deploy initial Ceph cluster

❑ Cluster Management & Maintenance

- ✓ Add/remove monitors
- ✓ Add/remove OSD servers
- ✓ Bring servers up/down
- ✓ Replace failed disks/servers
- ✓ Manage failure domains
- ✓ Add/modify storage groups
- ✓ Add/remove replicated/Erasure-coded/cache-tier pools
- ✓ Support separate storage group at pool creation and pool quotas

❑ Cluster Monitoring

- ✓ Monitor cluster health
- ✓ Monitor capacity and performance

❑ Orchestration

- ✓ Presenting storage pools to cloud orchestrator (OpenStack)

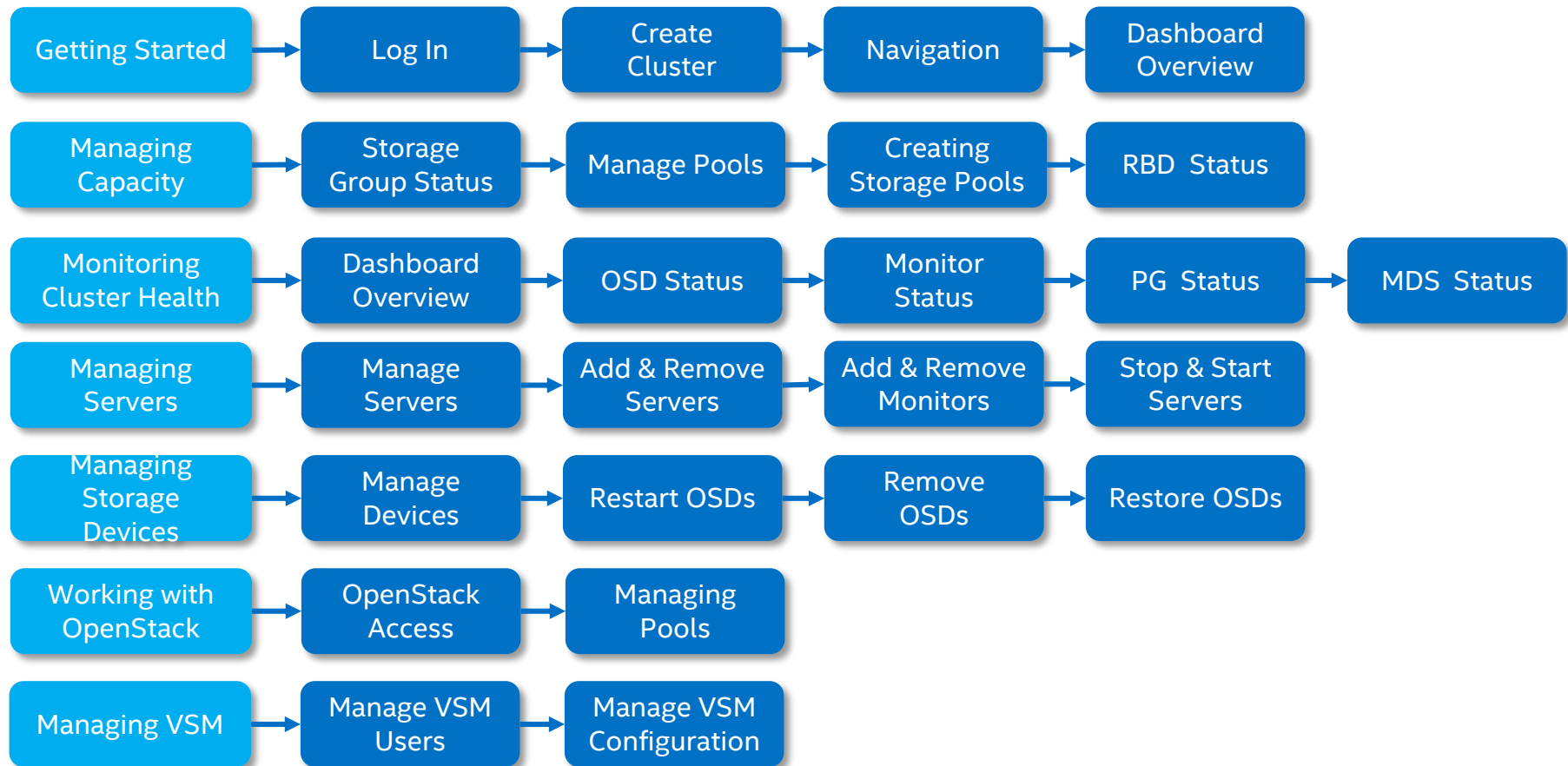
❑ Self Management

- ✓ Secure access to VSM Web UI
- ✓ Secure Communication channel between VSM processes
- ✓ Backup and restore VSM

❑ Extensibilities

- ✓ Exposed REST API for integration with 3rd-parties
- ✓ CLI based process enables the possibility with automation tools.

Operations in one page



How VSM can help:

- Easy deployment

Story: An storage administrator knows little about Ceph, and expect to have a quick try to deploy Ceph cluster

Step 1: the administrator prepares a few storage nodes and devices.

Step 2: the administrator defines the possible storage layout like OSDs in manifest files

Step 3: the administrator installs VSM

Step 4: the administrator deploys ceph cluster through VSM UI

Objective: to demonstrate the capability to easy deploy Ceph cluster from ground



How VSM can help:

- Easy management & Monitoring

Story: An Storage operator expects to know cluster health status and operate cluster for disk/server failure.

Step 1: the operator looks at Dashboard to identify down OSDs

Step 2: the operator identifies the failed physical disks and then isolates them for replacement

Step 3: the operator replaces those failed disks in servers.

Step 4: the operator brings those OSDs back into cluster, and trigger data recovery.

Objective: to demonstrate the capabilities of cluster diagnosis



How VSM can help:

- Scaling Cluster

Story: As business goes up, an storage operator expects to scale storage cluster

Step 1: the operator prepares one node with standard OS installed,

Step 2: the operator executes a node provision tool to deploy vsm agent on the node,

Step 3: the operator goes to VSM controller console to identify the node, then add it into cluster

Step 4: after data rebalanced, the operator can work on the upgraded cluster.

Objective: to demonstrate the ease-to-use for scaling Ceph Cluster.



How VSM can help:

- Orchestrating with OpenStack

Story: An Cloud platform operator expects to have a storage volume for VM use

Step 1: the operator grant VSM permissions to access Openstack controller node,
Step 2: the operator sets Openstack controller address in VSM controller console,
Step 3: the operator creates pools in VSM, then presents the pools to openstack,
Step 4: the operator now can see those pools in openstack for VM use.

Objective: to demonstrate the capabilities of storage provision between Ceph and OpenStack



New Features in 2.0

▪Environment:

- Multiple OS supporting: CentOS 7, Ubuntu 14.04 LTS
- Support Ceph Hammer
- Support Openstack Juno

▪Deployment

- Auto deployment tool for VSM (deploy with one command line)
- Provision new storage nodes on demand

▪Management & Maintenance

- Add new disks into Cluster
- Ceph upgrade

▪Monitoring

- Visual dashboard
- OSD device health status check
- Disk space full monitoring
- Disk health status check
- Ceph performance metrics Monitoring

▪Orchestration

- Present pools to multi-node openstack cluster
- Share one keystone instance with openstack cluster

▪Misc.

NOTE: 2.0 was just released in the end of Sept.

Live Demo

