## Dirty Clouds Done Dirt Cheap

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https://github.com/mtreinish/dirty-clouds-done-dirt-cheap

# Building a Cloud

## Scope of the Project

- ▶ Pretend to be a sysadmin with no prior OpenStack knowledge
- ► Try to rely only on install docs and google searches
- ▶ \$1500 USD Budget
- ▶ Build a basic compute cloud:
  - Keystone
  - ► Glance
  - Nova
  - Neutron
- Install from Ocata from tarballs
- ▶ No automation or pre-existing install scripts

## Buying Hardware

- ► Maximize core count per USD
- ► Second priority is amount RAM
- Machines don't need to be fast (that costs money)



#### The Servers

Model	PowerEdge R610
Processor	2x Intel Xeon E5540
Memory Installed	32GB Total Memory; 8 x 4 GB DDR3
Hard Drives	2x 146GB 10K SAS Hard Drive
RAID Controller	Dell PowerEdge R610 Perc 6i
Ethernet	2x Dual Port Embedded Broadcom NetXtreme II 5709c
Return Policy/Warranty	60 days Money Back Or Exchange

# \$215 Each



#### Quirks with the servers

- ► Super stripped down:
  - ► No management interface
  - ► No redundant power supply
- ► Memory installed in wrong slots
- ► Came pre-installed with Windows Server 2012 (and default password Apple123)
- ► At full fan speed >70 dB

## Assembling the Cloud

- ► Need something to hold the servers
- ► Traditional racks are too much money (even used)

## LackRack





## Installing the Operating System

- ► Installed Ubuntu 16.04 LTS server
- ▶ Nothing special, stick with base packages

# Installing OpenStack

- ▶ 2 config options
- ► Needed a service user
- ► Requirements issue

- ▶ Python Packaging:
  - ► Binary Dependencies
  - ▶ etc files (and any data files)
  - ▶ No dependency solver, use upper constraints
- ► Debugging OpenStack requires a high level of competence

What to do with your budget cloud?



## OpenStack Development

- ► Lots of capacity for running devstack
- ► A really good platform to develop and test OpenStack applications

► https://github.com/mtreinish/handbrakecloud

- ▶ 5x 1U Servers in your bedroom closet is not pleasant
- ► The power bill

Where to get more information

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Questions?