PRAGMA 25

Working Group Report

Resources Working Group

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Agenda of breakouts

- Thursday 14:00-16:15
  - Discussion: VC sharing
    - Detailed demo by Luca and Built
    - Discussion for improvements and next steps based on insights gained through the demonstration
- Friday 11:10-12:30
  - Discussion: CI for Scientists + Establish a PRAGMA Experimental Network Testbed (ENT) Expedition
    - Joint session with Tele Science
    - Review Lifemapper scenario
    - Discussion on PRAGMA ENT
      - What and how should we do and who will be leading.
- Friday 14:00-15:30
  - Discussion: What services should PRAGMA provide?
    - How users use PRAGMA Cloud?
    - What persistent infrastructure should PRAGMA provide / use?
      - Github, Gfarm, Marketplace
    - What kind of services (data, computing, etc.) are available?

Summary of Breakout 1

- Figured out issues gained through the experiments.
  - Took long time for booting on OpenNebula. This is because of the large VM image of Lifemapper.
  - The design of pragma_boot is tightly bound to Rocks, which may not be easy for OpenNebula to follow.
  - Need to provide simple documents/manual for users so that users can understand how to use PRAGMA Cloud.
- Next steps (by PRAGMA 26)
  - Experiments by more applications.
  - Write simple document/manual.
  - Increase the stability for OpenNebula
  - Merge code on Github
  - Implement more drivers
    - AIST will do it for CloudStack
    - Will anybody do it for OpenStack?
    - UCSD for EC2?

Summary of Breakout 2

- Goal of this breakout: figure out the followings
  - ENT issues
    - Identified goals based on the proposal by Jim
    - List interested communities/people and related activities
      - GENI, APAN FITWG, NSI, IPv6
      - UF, Osaka/NAIST, UCSD, JLU, CNIC, NCHC, (AIST)
    - We should updates information of PRAGMA resources and their service level.
    - People
      - Tsugawa-san, Shimojo-san, and Ichikawa-san will be a co-leads.
    - Use cases
      - Lifemapper
      - SDN-enabled SAGE for visualization
    - Set schedule and milestones
      - Clarify necessary steps for joining the testbed. Necessary hardware/software, etc.
      - Implement a use case by the driving sites.
  - BD issues
    - Use SDN for
      - Access control of restricted data.
      - Moving large quantity of data
      - avoid registration of IP addresses.

Summary of Breakout 3

- Friday 14:00-15:30
  - Discussion: What services should PRAGMA provide?
    - How users use PRAGMA Cloud?
      - Should provide documents/manuals
      - One idea is to create a video for the introduction.
      - As the first step, students present demos and record.
    - What persistent infrastructure should PRAGMA provide / use?
      - Avoid complex process of account mgmt. -> Science gateway
      - Use Github
      - Decide something about distributed storage/filesystem between now and the end of Jan.
      - Marketplace
        - » Implement access control mechanism.
        - » Develop GUI for Linux.
        - » Design shared key mechanism for using Gfarm as a backend filesystem
    - Provide information for users.
      - Renew resource information on github. Ask each site to provide and updates resource information by itself.
      - A service catalogue. Could be on github.