

# How can I give virtual GPU resources to my end users seamlessly?

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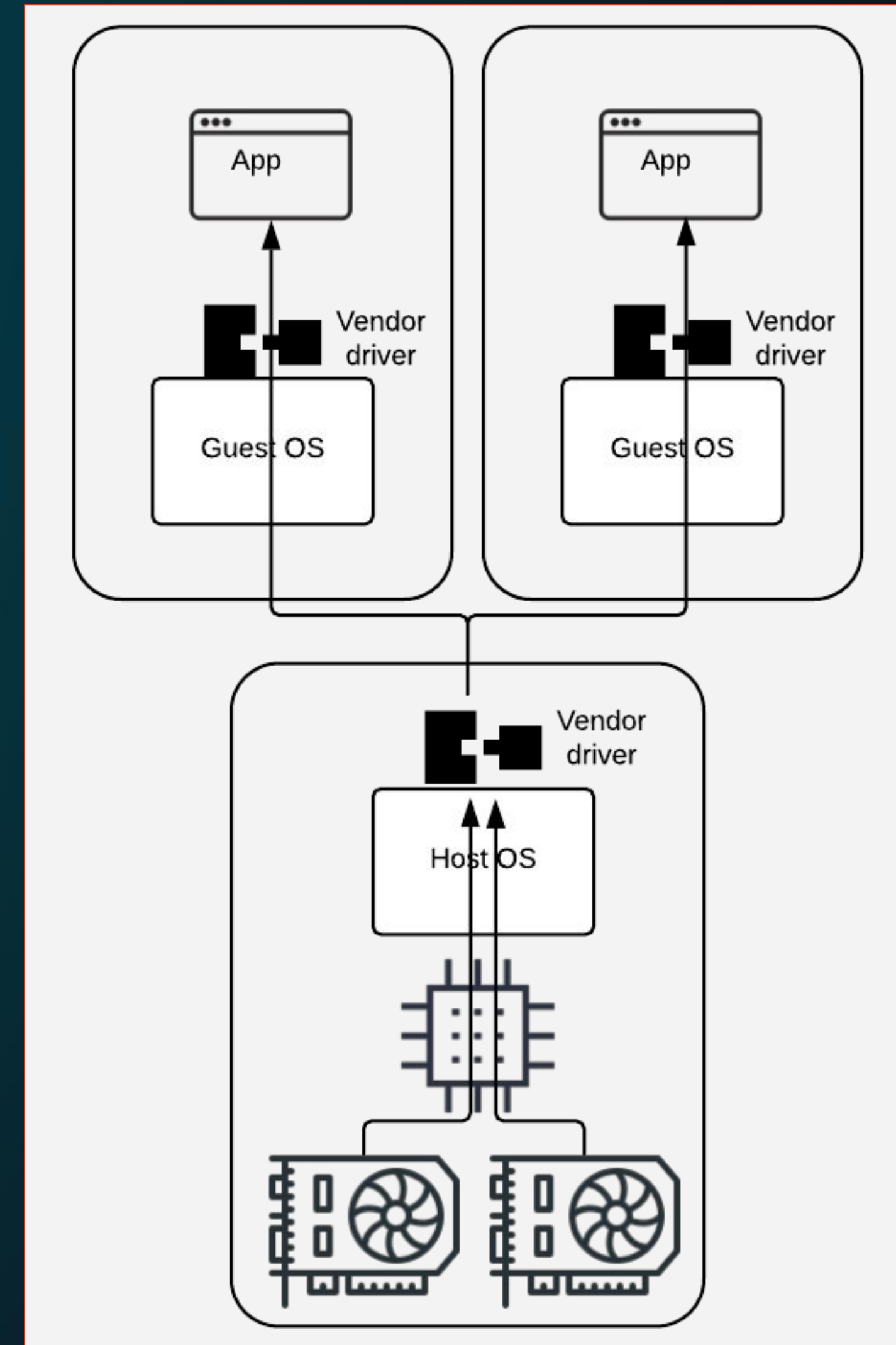
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# Virtual GPUs in Nova

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# How this works ?



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# The kernel interface (VFIO-mdev)

```
| - [parent physical device]
| --- Vendor-specific-attributes [optional]
| --- [mdev_supported_types]
|     | --- [<type-id>]
|     |     | --- create
|     |     | --- name
|     |     | --- available_instances
|     |     | --- device_api
|     |     | --- description
|     |     | --- [devices]
|     | --- [<type-id>]
|     |     | --- create
|     |     | --- name
|     |     | --- available_instances
|     |     | --- device_api
|     |     | --- description
|     |     | --- [devices]
```

```
| - [parent phy device]
| --- [$MDEV_UUID]
|     | --- remove
|     | --- mdev_type {link to its type}
|     | --- vendor-specific-attributes [optional]
```

# All of this is vendor specific !

Proprietary or opensource  
kernel module  
(eg. nvidia.ko)

Usually licence-based  
(eg. nvidia GRID & AIE)

Depending on the product line

Hardware capabilities (SR-IOV,  
framebuffer dirty pages tracking...)

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# Mediated device types (aka. GPU profiles)

## Q-Series Virtual GPU Types for Tesla T4

Intended use case: Virtual Workstations

Required license edition: vWS

These vGPU types support a maximum combined resolution based on the number of available pixels, which is determined by their frame buffer size. You can choose between using a small number of high resolution displays or a larger number of lower resolution displays with these vGPU types. The maximum number of displays per vGPU is based on a configuration in which all displays have the same resolution. For examples of configurations with a mixture of display resolutions, see [Mixed Display Configurations for B-Series and Q-Series vGPUs](#).

Virtual GPU Type	Frame Buffer (MB)	Maximum vGPUs per GPU	Available Pixels	Display Resolution	Virtual Displays per vGPU
T4-16Q	16384	1	66355200	7680×4320	2
				5120×2880 or lower	4
T4-8Q	8192	2	66355200	7680×4320	2
				5120×2880 or lower	4
T4-4Q	4096	4	58982400	7680×4320	1
				5120×2880 or lower	4
T4-2Q	2048	8	36864000	7680×4320	1
				5120×2880	2
				3840×2400 or lower	4
T4-1Q	1024	16	18432000	5120×2880	1
				3840×2400	2
				3840×2160	2
				2560×1600 or lower	4

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```
Maximum Y Resolution      : 1024
Frame Rate Limit          : 60 FPS
Placement Size            : N/A
Supported Placement IDs   : N/A
GRID License              : GRID-Virtual-Apps,3.0
vGPU Type ID              : 0x1bc
Name                      : GRID RTX6000-24A
Class                     : NVS
GPU Instance Profile ID   : N/A
Max Instances              : 1
Max Instances Per VM      : 1
Multi vGPU Exclusive      : True
vGPU Exclusive Type       : False
vGPU Exclusive Size       : True
Device ID                 : 0x1e3010de
Sub System ID             : 0x1e301440
FB Memory                  : 24576 MiB
Display Heads              : 1
Maximum X Resolution       : 1280
Maximum Y Resolution       : 1024
Frame Rate Limit          : 60 FPS
Placement Size            : N/A
Supported Placement IDs   : N/A
GRID License              : GRID-Virtual-Apps,3.0

[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ ls /sys/class/mdev_bus/0000\:01\:00.0/mdev_supported_types/
nvidia-256 nvidia-257 nvidia-258 nvidia-259 nvidia-260 nvidia-261 nvidia-262 nvidia-263 nvidia-435 nvidia-436 nvidia-437 nvidia-438 nvidia-439 nvidia-440 nvidia-441 nvidia-442 nvidia-443 nvidia-444
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ █

[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ [stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$
```

[terminal-0:ssh\*

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# How to configure it in Nova

**You need a flavor...**

```
$ openstack flavor set myflavor --property  
"resources:VGPU=1"
```

**... and a compute node**

```
[devices]  
enabled_mdev_types = nvidia-256  
  
[mdev_nvidia-256]  
device_addresses = 0000:84:00.0,0000:85:00.0
```

<https://docs.openstack.org/nova/latest/admin/virtual-gpu.html>

config_drive	
created	2024-05-17T16:58:38Z
description	None
flavor	vgpu_2 (e8a13125-a5e0-453e-9f25-1a8b61341e81)
hostId	
host_status	
id	72208ae5-e867-4a4a-af74-473a6f191083
image	prime_demo (f4d19f78-b264-4a22-83e3-b7750c5b5d2a)
key_name	sylvain
locked	False
name	demo
os-extended-volumes:volumes_attached	[]
progress	0
project_id	1471d08833d141c583b5f04344476ebd
properties	
security_groups	name='default'
status	BUILD
tags	
updated	2024-05-17T16:58:38Z
user_id	05801b24b6ec4cd495c560b673a7e051

```
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ openstack server list
```

ID	Name	Status	Networks	Image	Flavor
72208ae5-e867-4a4a-af74-473a6f191083	demo	ACTIVE	private=10.0.0.8, fde2:bce:3b67:0:f816:3eff:feb3:4c1f	prime_demo	vgpu_2

```
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$
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stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$
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```
[terminal-0:ssh*
```

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# Now, what's new in Caracal ?

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# SR-IOV GPUs

## The case

Now some physical GPUs have virtual functions

## The usage

Nothing changes : each type supports less mdevs than the number of the VFs

Table 3. Software Specifications

Specification	Description <sup>1</sup>
SR-IOV support	Supported -- 16 VF (virtual functions)

Virtual GPU Type	Intended Use Case	Frame Buffer (MB)	Maximum vGPUs per GPU	Maximum vGPUs per Board	Maximum Display Resolution	Virtual Displays per vGPU
A100-40C	Training Workloads	40960	1	1	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1
A100-20C	Training Workloads	20480	2	2	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1
A100-10C	Training Workloads	10240	4	4	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1
A100-8C	Training Workloads	8192	5	5	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1
A100-5C	Inference Workloads	5120	8	8	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1
A100-4C	Inference Workloads	4096	10	10	3840×2400 <sup>1</sup>	1

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# SR-IOV GPUs

## The problem

If all the mdevs are created, then  
all the VFs no longer have  
inventories

## The fix

Nova now asks how many mdevs  
could be used

```
[devices]
enabled_mdev_types = nvidia-468

[mdev_nvidia-468]
max_instances = 10
```

```
[sbauza@sbauza Documents]$ ssh root@lenovo-sr655-01.xxx.yyy.zzzz.redhat.com
Activate the web console with: systemctl enable --now cockpit.socket

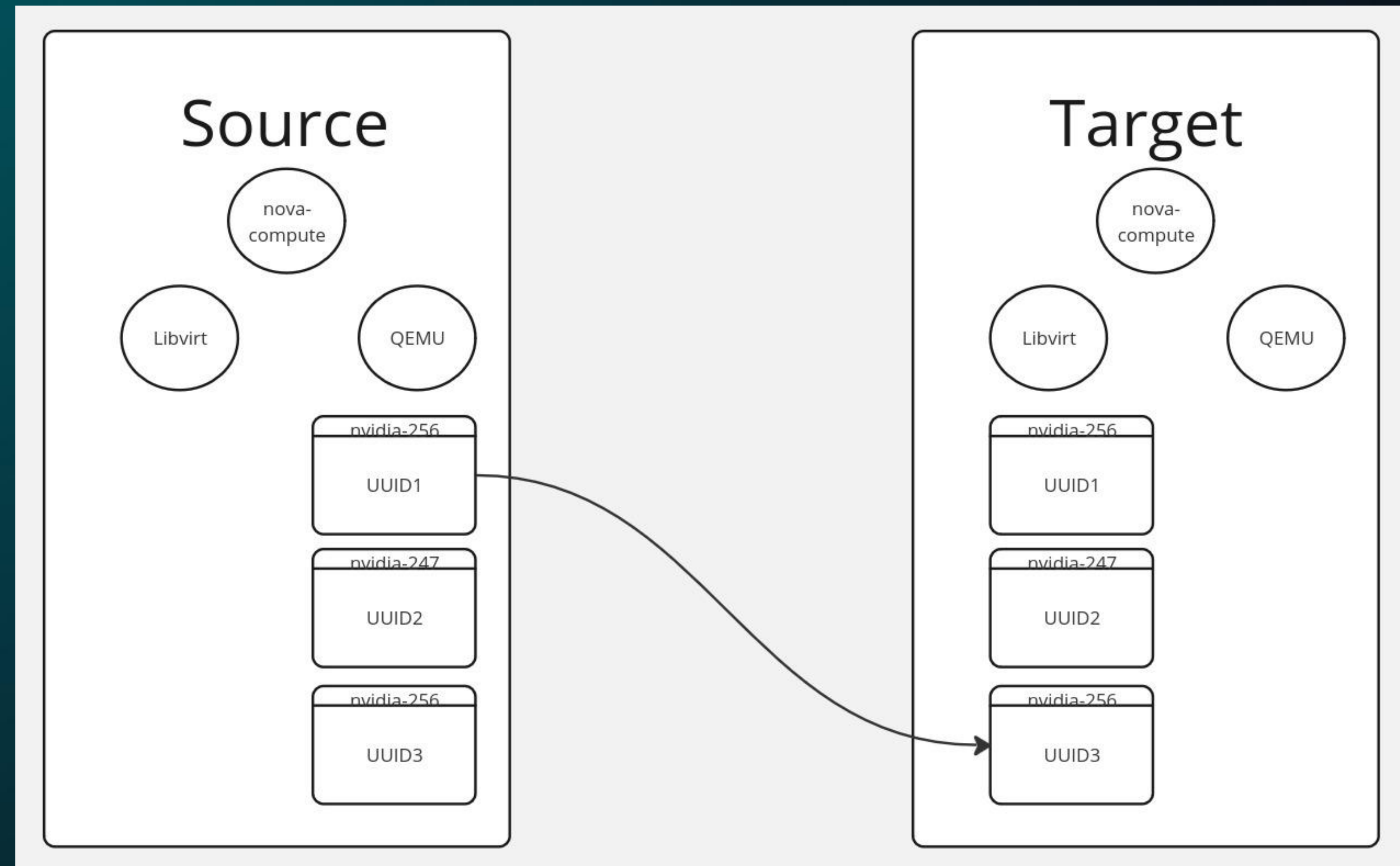
Last login: Mon May 20 17:28:42 2024 from 10.39.193.174
[root@lenovo-sr655-01 ~]# sudo -u stack -i
[stack@lenovo-sr655-01 ~]$ ll /sys/bus/mdev/devices/
total 0
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:27 04413de6-1086-4659-95c7-6c507b81330c -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:01.4/04413de6-1086-4659-95c7-6c507b81330c
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:26 1fe6353a-8d49-4053-8ecb-2d9a078ffa0 -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:01.3/1fe6353a-8d49-4053-8ecb-2d9a078ffa0
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:25 7c0ca91b-07a4-4955-a7fd-44fbeb129b7e -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:01.0/7c0ca91b-07a4-4955-a7fd-44fbeb129b7e
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:26 7e8a84bd-e4b5-4167-98a5-79e78e7e9e1c -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:01.2/7e8a84bd-e4b5-4167-98a5-79e78e7e9e1c
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:20 96335eb2-a60e-429b-8565-6074666a5240 -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:00.4/96335eb2-a60e-429b-8565-6074666a5240
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:20 a508ade0-3678-47dc-8463-dcf0a5a7dc9c -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:00.5/a508ade0-3678-47dc-8463-dcf0a5a7dc9c
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:25 dd592ba1-5fb3-4d36-8d14-3d3c8c87b45e -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:00.7/dd592ba1-5fb3-4d36-8d14-3d3c8c87b45e
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:26 efde3529-071c-4f9e-8ff2-c4eaf5a4dbb5 -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:01.1/efde3529-071c-4f9e-8ff2-c4eaf5a4dbb5
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 0 May 20 17:25 fa225d79-93a7-4158-a0e1-1ffc3f351333 -> ../../../../devices/pci0000:40/0000:40:01.1/0000:41:00.6/fa225d79-93a7-4158-a0e1-1ffc3f351333
[stack@lenovo-sr655-01 ~]$ cat /sys/class/mdev_bus/0000\:41\:*/mdev_supported_types/nvidia-468/available_instances
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
[stack@lenovo-sr655-01 ~]$ echo $(uuidgen) | sudo tee /sys/class/mdev_bus/0000:41:01.5/
```



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# vGPU Live migration support

- Libvirt-8.6.0
- QEMU-8.1.0
- Linux kernel 5.18.0



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[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]\$

(numba) **ubuntu@demo**:~\$



(numba) **ubuntu@demo**:~\$

[terminal-0:ssh\*

"sbauza" 19:40 17-mai-24

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```
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ openstack server migrate --block-migration --live-migration demo
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ openstack server migration list
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Id | UUID | Source Node | Dest Node | Source Compute | Dest Compute | Dest Host | Status | Server UUID | Old Flavor | New Flavor | Type | Created At | Updated At |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 12 | 29984ce8-53cb-4b3 | smicro-x12s-01.xx | smicro-x12s-02.xx | smicro-x12s-01.xx | smicro-x12s-02.xx | None | preparing | 72208ae5-e867-4a4 | 13 | 13 | live-migration | 2024-05-17T17:42:17.000000 | 2024-05-17T17:42:19.000000 | |
| | 0-a2d6-4a6f994b02 | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | | | a-af74-473a6f1910 | | | | | 17.000000 | .000000 |
| | d8 | t.com | t.com | t.com | t.com | | | 83 | | | | | | |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ openstack server migration list
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Id | UUID | Source Node | Dest Node | Source Compute | Dest Compute | Dest Host | Status | Server UUID | Old Flavor | New Flavor | Type | Created At | Updated At |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 12 | 29984ce8-53cb-4b3 | smicro-x12s-01.xx | smicro-x12s-02.xx | smicro-x12s-01.xx | smicro-x12s-02.xx | None | completed | 72208ae5-e867-4a4 | 13 | 13 | live-migration | 2024-05-17T17:42:17.000000 | 2024-05-17T17:47:55.000000 | |
| | 0-a2d6-4a6f994b02 | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | xx.yyy.zzzz.redha | | | a-af74-473a6f1910 | | | | | 17.000000 | .000000 |
| | d8 | t.com | t.com | t.com | t.com | | | 83 | | | | | | |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$
```

```
(numba) ubuntu@demo:~$ time python get_primes.py 5000000
[4999871, 4999879, 4999889, 4999913, 4999933, 4999949, 4999957, 4999961, 4999963, 4999999]

real    0m28.781s
user    0m28.071s
sys      0m0.268s
(numba) ubuntu@demo:~$ time python get_primes.py 5000000
[4999871, 4999879, 4999889, 4999913, 4999933, 4999949, 4999957, 4999961, 4999963, 4999999]

real    0m28.995s
user    0m28.288s
sys      0m0.268s
(numba) ubuntu@demo:~$ time python get_primes.py 1000000
[999863, 999883, 999907, 999917, 999931, 999953, 999959, 999961, 999979, 999983]

real    0m2.384s
user    0m1.713s
sys      0m0.240s
(numba) ubuntu@demo:~$
```



0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
# GPU	vGPU	sm	mem	enc	dec	jpg	ofa
# Idx	Id	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



# Limits with live-migration

**You need to use the same mediated device type between the compute nodes**

**You need to use the same nvidia version between the compute nodes**

**Older nvidia GPU architectures (Ampere etc.) don't support framebuffer dirty pages tracking**

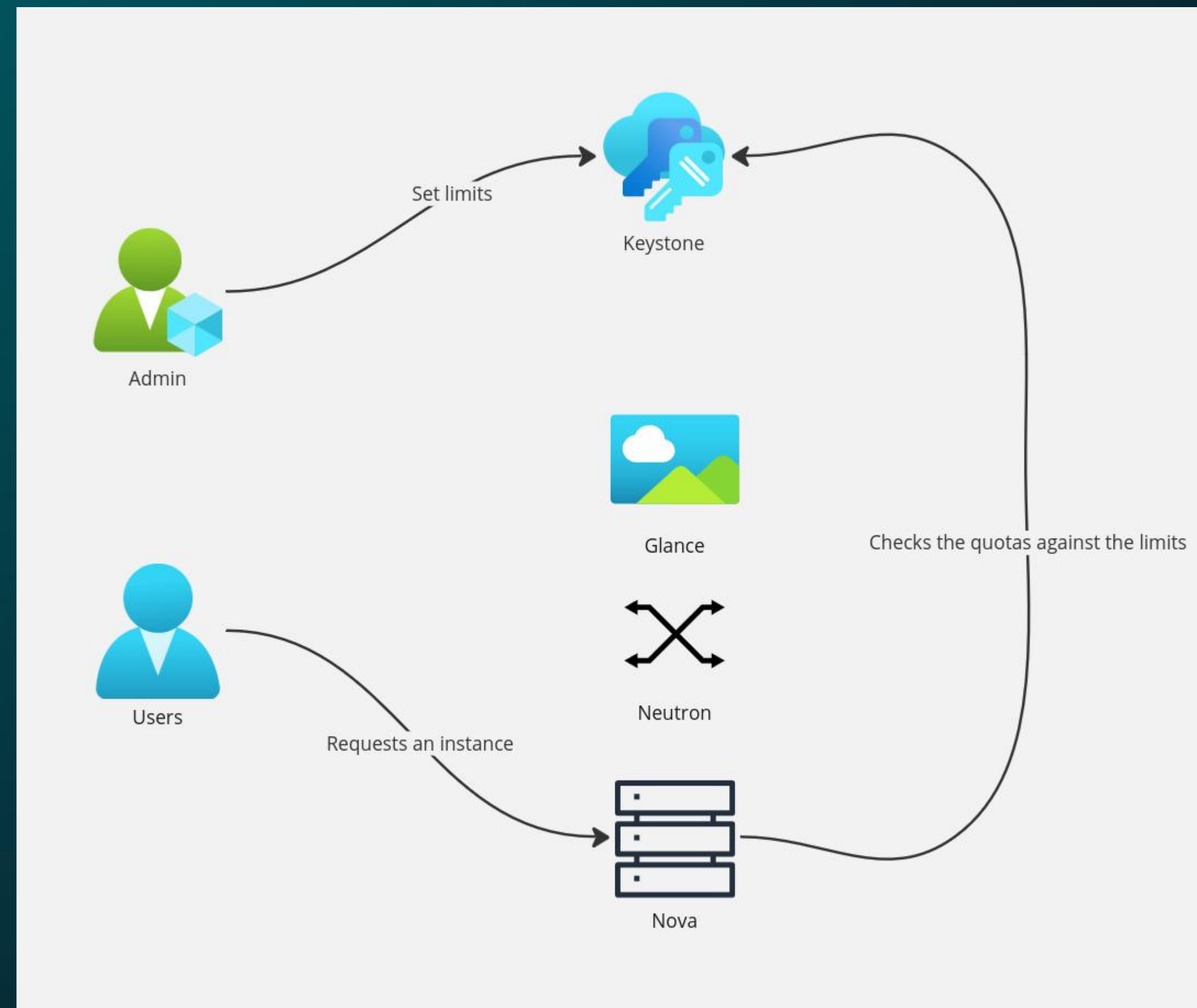
```
live_migration_completion_timeout = 0
live_migration_downtime = 500000
live_migration_downtime_steps = 3
live_migration_downtime_delay = 3
```

# New quotas (aka. unified limits)

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# How this works, unified limits ?



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# The setup

## API configuration

```
[quota]
driver = nova.quota.UnifiedLimitsDriver

[oslo_limit]
endpoint_id = <uuid>
auth_url = http://<keystone_url>/identity
auth_type = password
username = nova
password = <password>
system_scope = all
user_domain_name = Default
```

## Add reader role to the nova user which is system scoped

```
$ openstack role add --user nova
  --user-domain <domain> --system all reader
```

## Import existing legacy quota limits

```
$ nova-manage limits migrate_to_unified_limits [--project-id
<project-id>] [--region-id <region-id>] [--verbose]
[--dry-run]
```

## Create a specific VGPU limit

```
$ openstack registered limit create --service nova --default-limit <X> class:VGPU
```

**<https://docs.openstack.org/nova/latest/admin/unified-limits.html>**



```
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ sudo vi /etc/nova/nova.conf
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$ openstack registered limit list
```

ID	Service ID	Resource Name	Default Limit	Description	Region ID
202398a520874ab4ab16ba3956e314e5	3fe63e79894e48e19bbe08d494fc52b2	image_size_total	10000	None	RegionOne
845fdd539ce84a4388aabb9e9d70006a	3fe63e79894e48e19bbe08d494fc52b2	image_stage_total	1000	None	RegionOne
be2616d6895f46eaaba97f39946d4d4e	3fe63e79894e48e19bbe08d494fc52b2	image_count_total	100	None	RegionOne
1f678c6cf51c4980b933da7028ea45bc	3fe63e79894e48e19bbe08d494fc52b2	image_count_uploading	100	None	RegionOne
19d1ba0ac9f2430b8fcac6b0b54f0382	b16e0168d17e4c889cbb775c45afd31b	class:VGPU	2	None	RegionOne
b81d9dce0a9f45a78a30272138f76811	b16e0168d17e4c889cbb775c45afd31b	class:DISK_GB	300	None	RegionOne
5aeab021919d4903b163390b8f460422	b16e0168d17e4c889cbb775c45afd31b	class:MEMORY_MB	65536	None	RegionOne
08f401b60d234e039fe76044fac2fd69	b16e0168d17e4c889cbb775c45afd31b	class:VCPU	20	None	RegionOne
97be91f1b5254aeeb656fd8bf4e36b77	b16e0168d17e4c889cbb775c45afd31b	servers	10	None	RegionOne

```
[stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]$
```

(numba) **ubuntu@demo**:~\$ [stack@smicro-x12s-01 ~]\$

# The limits of unified limits

This is experimental yet

Make sure you create all the requested limits

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The background is a dark teal gradient with abstract geometric patterns. On the left, there are thin, light blue lines forming a network of triangles. On the right, there are larger, out-of-focus red and orange circular shapes, resembling bokeh or distant galaxies. The text "Thanks, questions ?" is centered in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

**Thanks, questions ?**