

XenEnterprise Management API Draft

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Chapter 1

Introduction

This document defines the XenEnterprise Management API—an API for remotely configuring and controlling virtualised guests running on a Xen-enabled cluster. The API is presented here as a set of Remote Procedure Calls. Although we adopt some terminology from object-orientated programming, this document does not specify how RPCs are exposed to a programmer by client-side language bindings. For example, the developer of a set of bindings may choose to wrap up the RPC calls described here in an object-orientated manner or a more procedural style as appropriate. The API reference uses the terminology classes and objects. For our purposes a class is simply a hierarchical namespace; an object is an instance of a class with its fields set to specific values. Objects are persistant and exist on the server-side. Object fields are accessed from the client-side via get/set RPCs.

In each class there is a *uuid* field that assigns a *globally* unique name to each object. This *uuid* serves as an object reference on both client- and server-side, and is often included as an argument in RPC messages.

For each class we specify a list of fields along with their types and qualifiers. A qualifier is one of:

- RO_{run} : the field is Read Only. Furthermore, its value is automatically computed at runtime.
- RO_{ins} : the field must be manually set when a new object is created, but is then Read Only for the duration of the object's life.
- RW: the field is Read/Write.

A full list of types is given in Chapter 2. However, there are three types that require explicit mention:

- t Ref: signifies a reference to an object of type t.
- t Set: signifies a set containing values of type t.
- (t_1, t_2) Map: signifies a mapping from values of type t_1 to values of type t_2 .

Note that there are a number of cases where *Refs* are *doubly linked*—e.g. a VM has a field called **groups** of type (*VMGroup Ref*) *Set*; this field lists the VMGroups that a particular VM is part of. Similarly, the VMGroups class has a field called **VMs** of type (*VM Ref*) *Set* that contains the VMs that are part of a particular VMGroup. These two fields are *bound together*, in the sense that adding a new VMGroup to a VM causes the VMs field of the corresponding VMGroup object to be updated automatically.

The API reference explicitly lists the fields that are bound together in this way. It also contains a diagram that shows relationships between classes. In this diagram an edge signifies the existence of a pair of fields that are bound together, using standard crows-foot notation to signify the type of relationship (e.g. one-many, many-many).

1.1 RPCs associated with fields

Each field, f, has an RPC accessor associated with it that returns f's value:

• "get_f(uuid u)": takes a uuid that refers to an object and returns the value of f.

Each field, f, with attribute RW and whose outermost type is Set has the following additional RPCs associated with it:

- an "add_to_f(uuid, v)" RPC adds a new element v to the set1;
- a "remove_from_f(uuid, v)" RPC removes element v from the list;

Each field, f, with attribute RW and whose outermost type is Map has the following additional RPCs associated with it:

- an "add_to_f(uuid, k, v)" RPC adds new pair (k, v) to the mapping stored in f in object uuid. Adding a new pair for duplicate key, k, overwrites any previous mapping for k.
- a "remove_from_f(uuid, k)" RPC removes the pair with key k from the mapping stored in f in object uuid.

Each field whose outermost type is neither Set nor Map, but whose attribute is RW has an RPC accessor associated with it that sets its value:

• For RW (Read/Write), a "set_f(uuid, v)" RPC function is also provided. This sets field f on object uuid to value v.

1.2 RPCs associated with classes

- Each class has a constructor RPC that takes as parameters all fields marked RW and RO_{ins}.
 The result of this RPC is that a new persistent object is created on the server-side with the specified field values.
- Each class has a "get_all()" RPC that returns a set of all persistent objects of that class that the system knows about. For example, VM.get_all() would return a list of VM objects that are currently installed.
- Each class has a get_by_uuid(uuid) RPC that returns the object of that class that has the specified uuid.
- Each class that has a short_name field has a "get_by_short_name(name)" RPC that returns a list of objects of that class that have the specified name.
- Each class has a "to_XML()" RPC that serialises the state of all fields as an XML string.
- Each class has a "delete(uuid)" RPC that explicitly deletes the persistent object specified by uuid from the system.

1.2.1 Additional RPCs

As well as the RPCs enumerated above, some classes have additional RPCs associated with them. For example, the VM class have RPCs for cloning, suspending, starting etc. Such additional RPCs are described explicitly in the API reference.

 $^{^{1}}$ Since sets cannot contain duplicate values this operation has no action in the case that v was already in the set.

1.3 Wire Protocol for Remote API Calls

API calls are sent over a network to a Xen-enabled host using the XML-RPC protocol. In this Section we describe how the higher-level types used in our API Reference are mapped to primitive XML-RPC types.

In our API Reference we specify the signatures of API functions in a Java-like manner. For example:

```
List<vm_id> Host.ListAllVMs()
```

This specifies that the function with name <code>Host.ListAllVMs</code> takes no parameters and returns an list of <code>vm_ids</code>. These types are mapped onto XML-RPC types in a straight-forward manner:

- all our "_id" types (e.g. vm_id in the above example) map to XML-RPC's String type.
- for all our types, t, type List<t> simply maps to XML-RPC's Array type².
- our type void maps onto an empty XML-RPC String.

1.3.1 Return Values/Status Codes

The return value of an RPC call is an XML-RPC Struct.

• The first element of the struct is named Status; it contains a string value indicating whether the result of the call was a "Success" or a "Failure".

If Status was set to Success then the Struct contains a second element named Value:

• The element of the struct named Value contains the function's return value.

In the case where Status is set to Failure then the struct contains a second element named ErrorDescription:

• The element of the struct named ErrorDescription contains an array of string values. The first element of the array represents an error code; the remainder of the array represents error parameters relating to that code.

For example, an XML-RPC return value from the Host.ListAllVMs function above may look like this:

 $^{^2}$ XML-RPC does not explicitly support a parameterised array type so we have no means of specifying the type of elements at this level.

1.4 Making XML-RPC Calls

1.4.1 Session Layer

The XML-RPC interface is session-based; before you can make arbitrary RPC calls you must login and initiate a session. For example:

```
session_id Session.LoginWithUsernamePassword(string uname, string pwd)
```

Where uname and password refer to your username and password respectively, as defined by the Xen cluster administrator. The session_id returned by Session.Login is passed to subequent RPC calls as an authentication token.

A session can be terminated with the Session. Logout function:

```
void Session.Logout(session_id session)
```

1.4.2 Synchronous and Asynchronous invocation

Each method call (apart from those on "Session" and "Task" objects) can be made either synchronously or asynchronously. A synchronous RPC call blocks until the return value is received; the return value of a synchronous RPC call is exactly as specified in Section 1.3.1.

Each of the methods specified in the API Reference is synchronous. However, although not listed explicitly in this document, each method call has an asynchronous analogue in the Async namespace. For example, synchronous call VM.Install(...) (described in Chapter 2) has an asynchronous counterpart, Async.VM.Install(...), that is non-blocking.

Instead of returning its result directly, an asynchronous RPC call returns a task-id; this identifier is subsequently used to track the status of a running asynchronous RPC. Note that an asychronous call may fail immediately, before a task-id has even been created—to represent this eventuality, the returned task-id is wrapped in an XML-RPC struct with a Status, ErrorDescription and Value fields, exactly as specified in Section 1.3.1.

The task-id is provided in the Value field if Status is set to Success.

Two special RPC calls are provided to poll the status of asynchronous calls:

Async.Task.GetAllTasks returns a list of the currently executing asynchronous tasks belong to the current user³.

Async.Task.GetStatus returns a task_status result. This is an XML-RPC struct with two elements:

- The first element is named Progress and contains an Integer between 0 and 100 representing the estimated percentage of the task currently completed.
- The second element is named Result. If Progress is not 100 then Result contains the empty string. If Progress is set to 100, then Result contains the function's return result (as specified in Section 1.3.1)⁴.

1.5 VM Lifecycle

Figure 1.1 shows the states that a VM can be in and the API calls that can be used to move the VM between these states.

³The current user is determined by the username that was provided to Session.Login.

⁴Recall that this itself is a struct potentially containing status, errorcode, value fields etc.

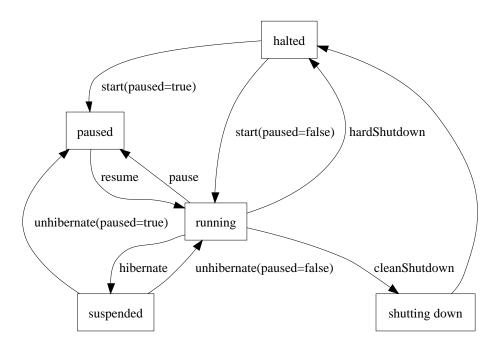


Figure 1.1: VM Lifecycle

Chapter 2

API Reference

This API Reference is autogenerated from datamodel specification and IDL — do not hand-edit.

2.1 Classes

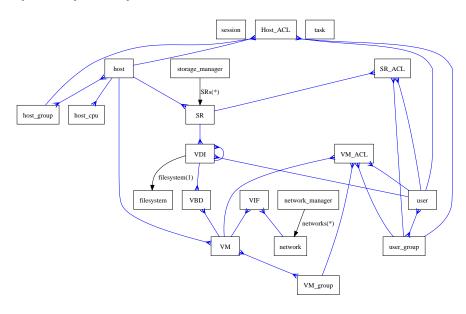
The following classes are defined:

Name	Description	
session	a session	
VM	a virtual machine (or 'guest')	
host	a physical host	
host_cpu	a physical CPU	
network_manager	creates and manages virtual networks	
network	a virtual network	
VIF	a virtual network interface	
storage_manager	creates and manages storage repositories	
SR	a storage repository	
VDI	a virtual disk image	
VBD	a virtual block device	
filesystem	an on-disk filesystem	
user	a user of the system	
user_group	a group of users	
host_group	a group of physical hosts	
VM_group	a group of virtual machines	
VM_ACL	ACL entries for VMs. Each entry has 1 of either vm or vmgroup	
	set; and 1 of either user or usergroup set. It grants access to the	
	specified vm/vmgroup for the specified user/usergroup.	
Host_ACL	ACL entries for Hosts. Each entry has 1 of either host or host-	
	group set; and 1 of either user or usergroup set. It grants access	
	to the specified vm/vmgroup for the specified user/usergroup.	
SR_ACL	ACL entries for Storage. SR is always set; and 1 of either user or	
	usergroup set. It grants access to the specified SR for the specified	
	user/usergroup.	
task	a longrunning asynchronous task	

2.2 Relationships Between Classes

The relationship between classes is displayed in the following diagram. Nodes are classes while edges represent references between class instances. Black edges with arrows and labels represent the notion that an instance of one class contains a field referencing instances of the other class. The

label indicates the field name and a (1) annotation indicates a single object is referenced while a (*) indicates multiple objects (e.g. through a list or map). Blue lines indicate bidirectional relationships between instances of the two classes using crows-feet notation to specify one-to-one, one-to-many or many-to-many



2.2.1 List of bound fields

object. field	object.field	relationship
VM.VM_groups	$VM_{\underline{\hspace{1pt}}}group.VMs$	many-to-many
VM_ACL.VM	$VM.VM_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
VM_ACL.VM_group	VM_group.VM_ACL_entries	one-to-many
VM_ACL.user	$user.VM_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
VM_ACL.user_group	$user_group.VM_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
Host_ACL.host	host.host_ACL_entries	one-to-many
Host_ACL.host_group	host_group.host_ACL_entries	one-to-many
Host_ACL.user	$user.host_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
Host_ACL.user_group	$user_group.host_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
SR_ACL.SR	SR.SR_ACL_entries	one-to-many
SR_ACL.user	$user.SR_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
SR_ACL.user_group	$user_group.SR_ACL_entries$	one-to-many
user.user_groups	user_group.users	many-to-many
VDI.VBDs	VBD.VDI	many-to-one
VDI.parent	VDI.children	one-to-many
VDI.creator	user.created_VDIs	one-to-many
VBD.VM	VM.VBDs	one-to-many
VIF.VM	VM.VIFs	one-to-many
VIF.network	network.VIFs	one-to-many
SR.VDIs	VDI.SR	many-to-one
host.SRs	SR.local_node	many-to-one
host.host_groups	host_group.hosts	many-to-many
host.resident_VMs	VM.running_on	many-to-one
host.host_CPUs	$host_cpu.host$	many-to-one

2.3 Types

2.3.1 Primitives

The following primitive types are used to specify methods and fields in the API Reference:

Type	Description
String	text strings
Int	64-bit integers
Float	IEEE double-precision floating-point numbers
Bool	boolean
DateTime	date and timestamp
Ref (object name)	reference to an object of class name

2.3.2 Higher order types

The following type constructors are used:

Type	Description
List (t)	an arbitrary-length list of elements of type t
$Map (a \rightarrow b)$	a table mapping values of type a to values of type b

2.3.3 Enumeration types

The following enumeration types are used:

enum power_behaviour	
destroy	destroy the VM state
restart	automatically restart the VM
preserve	leave VM running
rename_restart	leave VM running and restart a new one

enum bios_boot_option	
floppy	boot from emulated floppy
HD	boot from emulated HD
CDROM	boot from emulated CDROM

enum boot_type	
bios	boot an HVM guest using an emulated BIOS
grub	boot from inside the machine using grub
kernel_external	boot from an external kernel
kernel_internal	boot from a kernel inside the machine

FPU Onboard FPU

VME Virtual Mode Extensions
DE Debugging Extensions
PSE Page Size Extensions
TSC Time Stamp Counter

MSR Model-Specific Registers, RDMSR, WRMSR

PAE Physical Address Extensions
MCE Machine Check Architecture
CX8 CMPXCHG8 instruction

APIC Onboard APIC

SEP SYSENTER/SYSEXIT

MTRR Memory Type Range Registers

PGE Page Global Enable

MCA Machine Check Architecture

CMOV instruction (FCMOVCC and FCOMI too if FPU present)

PAT Page Attribute Table

PSE36 36-bit PSEs

PN Processor serial number

CLFLSH Supports the CLFLUSH instruction

DTES Debug Trace Store
ACPI ACPI via MSR
MMX Multimedia Extensions

FXSR FXSAVE and FXRSTOR instructions (fast save and restore

XMM Streaming SIMD Extensions XMM2 Streaming SIMD Extensions-2

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathtt{SELFSNOOP} & & \mathtt{CPU} \ \mathtt{self} \ \mathtt{snoop} \\ \mathtt{HT} & & \mathtt{Hyper-Threading} \end{array}$

ACC Automatic clock control

IA64 IA-64 processor SYSCALL SYSCALL/SYSRET

MP MP Capable.

NX Execute Disable

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{MMXEXT} & \mbox{AMD MMX extensions} \\ \mbox{LM} & \mbox{Long Mode } (x86\text{-}64) \\ \mbox{3DNOWEXT} & \mbox{AMD 3DNow! extensions} \\ \end{array}$

3DNow!

RECOVERY CPU in recovery mode
LONGRUN Longrun power control
LRTI LongRun table interface
CXMMX Cyrix MMX extensions

K6_MTRR AMD K6 nonstandard MTRRs
CYRIX_ARR Cyrix ARRs (= MTRRs)
CENTAUR_MCR Centaur MCRs (= MTRRs)

K8 Opteron, Athlon64

K7 Athlon P3 P3 P4 P4

CONSTANT_TSC TSC ticks at a constant rate

FXSAVE_LEAK FXSAVE leaks FOP/FIP/FOP

XMM3 Streaming SIMD Extensions-3

MWAIT Monitor/Mwait support

CPL Qualified Debug Store

EST Enhanced SpeedStep

EST Enhanced SpeedStep
TM2 Thermal Monitor 2

CID	Context ID
CX16	CMPXCHG16B
XTPR	Send Task Priority Messages
XSTORE	on-CPU RNG present (xstore insn)
XSTORE_EN	on-CPU RNG enabled
XCRYPT	on-CPU crypto (xcrypt insn)
XCRYPT_EN	on-CPU crypto enabled
LAHF_LM	LAHF/SAHF in long mode
CMP_LEGACY	If yes HyperThreading not valid

enum vdi_type	
system	disks which are wiped on upgrade
user	user disks which are always preserved
ephemeral	disks which may be wiped on boot

enum vbd_mode	
RO	disk is mounted read-only
RW	disk is mounted read-write

enum driver_type	
ioemu	use hardware emulation
paravirtualised	use paravirtualised driver

2.4 Class: session

2.4.1 Fields for class: session

Class session has no fields.

2.4.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: session

RPC name: login_with_password

Overview: Attempt to authenticate the user, returning a session_id if successful

Signature:

session_id login_with_password (string uname, string pwd)

Arguments:

type	name	description
string	uname	Username for login.
string	pwd	Password for login.

Return Type: session_id ID of newly created session

RPC name: logout

Overview: Log out of a session

Signature:

void logout (session_id s)

2.5 Class: VM

2.5.1 Fields for class: VM

$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
RO_{run} uuid string globally-unique ID RW VM_ACL_entries VM_ACL ref Set The VM ACL entries	
RW VM_ACL_entries VM_ACL ref Set The VM ACL entries	
	that refer to
this VM directly (i.e.	not via a VM-
Group)	
RW name/label string a short human-readable	
RW name/short_description string a short human-readable	
RW name/long_description string a slightly longer huma scription	n-readable de-
RW name/detail string everything you can thin some more	nk of, and then
RW VM_groups VM_group ref Set The groups the VM be	elongs to
RW user_version int a user version number	
chine	
RW is_a_template bool true if this is a templa	te, false a VM
RW running_on host ref the host the VM is cur	
on	
RO_{ins} memory/static_max int Statically-set (i.e. all	osolute) maxi-
mum	
RW memory/dynamic_max int Dynamic maximum	
RO_{run} memory/actual int Guest's actual usage	
RW memory/dynamic_min int Dynamic minimum	
RO_{ins} memory/static_min int Statically-set (i.e. absorption)	
RW VCPUs/policy string the name of the VCI	PU scheduling
policy to be applied	
RW VCPUs/params string string-encoded parame selected VCPU policy	eters passed to
RO_{run} VCPUs/utilisation (int $ ightarrow$ float) Map Utilisation for all of g VCPUs	guest's current
RO_{ins} VCPUs/features/required cpu_feature Set CPU features the gues	t demands the
host supports	
RO_{ins} VCPUs/features/can_use cpu_feature Set CPU features the gue	est can use if
available	
RW VCPUs/features/force_on cpu_feature Set CPU features to hide f	from the guest
RW VCPUs/features/force_off cpu_feature Set extra features to expos	se to the guest
above the bare minimum	ım
RW actions/power_off power_behaviour action to take when the	e guest powers
off	
RW actions/reboot power_behaviour action to take when the	
RW actions/crash power_behaviour action to take if the gu	
RW actions/standby power_behaviour action to take when the standby mode	ne guest enters
RW coredump bool set to true to generate poweroff, reboot, crash	
RW VIFs VIF ref Set virtual network interfa	
RW VBDs VBD ref Set virtual block devices	
RO_{ins} TPM/instance int ?	
RO_{ins} TPM/backend int ?	

RW	bios/cdrom	string	path for emulated CDROM e.g. /dev/cdrom or /foo.iso
RW	bios/boot	bios_boot_option	default device to boot the guest from
RW	platform/std_VGA	bool	emulate standard VGA instead of cirrus logic
RW	platform/SDL	bool	enable the SDL console
RW	platform/VNC	bool	enable the VNC console
RW	platform/serial	string	redirect serial port to pty
RW	platform/localtime	bool	set RTC to local time
RW	platform/clock_offset	string	timeshift applied to guest's clock
RW	platform/enable_audio	bool	emulate audio
RW	builder	string	domain builder to use
RO_{ins}	console_port	int	Xen port number to which console is redirected
RW	boot_method	boot_type	select how this machine should boot
RW	kernel/kernel	string	path to kernel e.g. /boot/vmlinuz
RW	kernel/initrd	string	path to the initrd e.g. /boot/initrd.img
RW	kernel/args	string	extra kernel command-line arguments
RW	grub/cmdline	string	grub command-line
RO_{ins}	PCI_bus	string	PCI bus path for pass-through devices
RO_{run}	tools_version	$(\text{string} \to \text{string}) \text{ Map}$	versions of installed paravirtualised drivers

2.5.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VM

RPC name: clone

Overview: Clones the specified VM, making a new VM. Clone automatically exploits the capabilities of the underlying storage repository in which the VM's disk images are stored (e.g. Copy on Write). (This function can only be called when the VM is in the Halted State).

Signature:

vm_id clone (session_id s, vm_id vm, string new_name)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to be cloned
string	new_name	The name of the cloned VM

Return Type: vm_id

The ID of the newly created VM.

RPC name: start

 $\textbf{Overview:} \ \, \textbf{Start the specified VM.} \ \, \textbf{(This function can only be called with the VM is in the Halted} \\$

State). Signature:

void start (session_id s, vm_id vm, bool start_paused)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to start
bool	start_paused	Instantiate VM in paused state if set to true.

Return Type: void

RPC name: pause

Overview: Pause the specified VM. This can only be called when the specified VM is in the

Running state. Signature:

void pause (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

\mathbf{type}	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to pause

Return Type: void

RPC name: unpause

Overview: Resume the specified VM. This can only be called when the specified VM is in the

Paused state. Signature:

void unpause (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

\mathbf{type}	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to pause

Return Type: void

RPC name: clean_shutdown

Overview: Attempt to cleanly shutdown the specified VM. (Note: this may not be supported—e.g. if a guest agent is not installed). Once shutdown has been completed perform poweroff action specified in guest configuration.

Signature:

void clean_shutdown (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

$_{ m type}$	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to shutdown

RPC name: clean_reboot

Overview: Attempt to cleanly shutdown the specified VM (Note: this may not be supported—e.g. if a guest agent is not installed). Once shutdown has been completed perform reboot action specified in guest configuration.

Signature:

void clean_reboot (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to shutdown

Return Type: void

RPC name: hard_shutdown

Overview: Stop executing the specified VM without attempting a clean shutdown. Then perform power off action specified in VM configuration.

Signature:

void hard_shutdown (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to destroy

Return Type: void

RPC name: hard_reboot

Overview: Stop executing the specified VM without attempting a clean shutdown. Then perform reboot action specified in VM configuration

Signature:

void hard_reboot (session_id s, vm_id vm)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to reboot

Return Type: void

RPC name: hibernate

Overview: Hibernate the specified VM, suspending to disk.

Signature:

void hibernate (session_id s, vm_id vm, bool live)

Arguments:

type	name	description
vm_id	vm	The VM to hibernate
bool	live	If set to true, perform a live hibernate; other-
		wise suspend the VM before commencing hibernate

Return Type: void

RPC name: unhibernate

Overview: Awaken the specified VM from hibernation and resume it.

Signature:

void unhibernate (session_id s, vm_id vm, bool start_paused)

Arguments:

type	name	description		
vm_id	vm	The VM to unhibernate		
bool	start_paused	Unhibernate VM in paused state if set to true.		

2.6 Class: host

2.6.1 Fields for class: host

Name	host		
Description	a physical host		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RO_{run}	software_version	$(string \rightarrow string) Map$	version strings
RW	SRs	SR ref Set	list of mounted storage repositories
RO_{run}	resident_VMs	VM ref Set	list of VMs resident on host
RW	host_groups	host_group ref Set	list of groups that the host belongs to
RW	host_ACL_entries	Host_ACL ref Set	The Host ACL entries that refer to
			this host directly (i.e. not via a group)
RO_{run}	host_CPUs	host_cpu ref Set	The physical CPUs on this host

2.6.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: host

RPC name: disable

Overview: Puts the host into a state in which no new VMs can be started.

Signature:

void disable (session_id s, host_id host)

Arguments:

type	name	description
host_id	host	The Host to disable

Return Type: void

RPC name: enable

Overview: Puts the host into a state in which new VMs can be started.

Signature:

void enable (session_id s, host_id host)

Arguments:

type	name	description	
host_id	host	The Host to enable	

RPC name: shutdown

Overview: Shutdown the host. (This function can only be called if there are no currently running

VMs on the host and it is disabled.)

Signature:

void shutdown (session_id s, host_id host)

Arguments:

	type	name	description	
ho	st_id	host	The Host to shutdown	

Return Type: void

RPC name: reboot

Overview: Reboot the host. (This function can only be called if there are no currently running

VMs on the host and it is disabled.)

 ${\bf Signature:}$

void reboot (session_id s, host_id host)

Arguments:

type	name	description
host_id	host	The Host to reboot

2.7 Class: host_cpu

2.7.1 Fields for class: host_cpu

Name	host_cpu		
Description	a physical CP	U	
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RO_{ins}	host	host ref	the host the CPU is in
RO_{ins}	number	int	the number of the physical CPU
			within the host
RO_{ins}	features	cpu_feature Set	the features supported by the CPU
RO_{run}	utilisation	float	the current CPU utilisation

2.7.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: host_cpu

Class host_cpu has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.8 Class: network_manager

2.8.1 Fields for class: network_manager

Name	network_manager				
Description	creates and manages virtual networks				
Quals	Field	Field Type Description			
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID		
RW	networks	orks network ref Set networks known to the network man-			
			ager		

2.8.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: network_manager Class network_manager has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.9 Class: network

2.9.1 Fields for class: network

Name	network		
Description	$a\ virtual\ network$		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RW	VIFs	VIF ref Set	list of connected vifs
RW	NIC	string	ethernet device to use to access this network. Note: in this revision of the API all hosts will use the specified NIC to access this network
RW	VLAN	string	VLAN tag to use to access this network. Note: in this revision of the API all hosts will use the specified VLAN tag to access this network
RW	default_gateway	string	default gateway IP address. Used for auto-configuring guests with fixed IP setting
RW	default_netmask	string	default netmask. Used for auto- configuring guests with fixed IP set- ting

2.9.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: network

Class network has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.10 Class: VIF

2.10.1 Fields for class: VIF

Name	VIF		
Description	$a\ virtual\ network\ interface$		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name	string	human-readable name of the interface
RW	type	$driver_type$	interface type
RW	device	string	network device to use e.g. eth0
RW	network	network ref	virtual network to which this vif is
			connected
RW	VM	VM ref	virtual machine to which this vif is
			connected
RW	MAC	string	ethernet MAC address
RW	MTU	int	MTU in octets
RO_{run}	network_read_kbs	float	Incoming network bandwidth
RO_{run}	network_write_kbs	float	Outgoing network bandwidth
RW	qos/algorithm_type	string	QoS algorithm to use
RW	qos/algorithm_params	string	Paramters for chosen QoS algorithm
RO_{run}	<pre>IO_bandwidth/incoming_kbs</pre>	float	Read bandwidth (Kb/s)
RO_{run}	<pre>IO_bandwidth/outgoing_kbs</pre>	float	Write bandwidth (Kb/s)

2.10.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VIF

Class VIF has no additional RPCs associated with it.

${\bf 2.11}\quad {\bf Class:\ storage_manager}$

2.11.1 Fields for class: storage_manager

Name	storaș	ge_manager		
Description	creates and manages storage repositories			
Quals	Field	Type	Description	
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID	
RW	SRs SR ref Set list of currently-known storage repos-			
		itories		

2.11.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: storage_manager Class storage_manager has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.12 Class: SR

2.12.1 Fields for class: SR

Name	SR		
Description	$a\ storage\ repository$		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RW	VDIs	VDI ref Set	managed virtual disks
RO_{run}	total_promised	int	total amount of space promised to virtual disks
RO_{run}	total_guaranteed	int	total amount of space guaranteed to virtual disks
RO_{ins}	physical_size	int	total physical size of the repository
RO_{ins}	type	string	type?
RO_{ins}	location	string	location?
RO_{ins}	globally_shared	bool	true if the repository can be seen by all hosts; otherwise it is considered local
RO_{ins}	local_node	host ref	host to which this repository is considered to be local
RW	SR_ACL_entries	SR_ACL ref Set	The SRACL entries that refer to this SR.

2.12.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: SR

Class SR has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.13 Class: VDI

2.13.1 Fields for class: VDI

Name	VDI		
Description	$a\ virtual\ disk\ image$		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RW	SR	SR ref	storage repository to create the disk on
RW	VBDs	VBD ref Set	list of vbds which have mounted this disk
RO_{run}	filesystem	filesystem ref	information about the filesystem (if known)
RO_{ins}	virtual_size	int	size of disk to present to the guest
RO_{run}	guaranteed_size	int	amount of space guaranteed by the storage repository
RO_{ins}	type	vdi_type	type of the VDI
RO_{ins}	parent	VDI ref	parent disk (e.g. in the case of copy on write
RO_{ins}	children	VDI ref Set	child disks (e.g. in the case of copy on write
RW	sharable	bool	true if this disk may be shared
RO_{run}	creator	user ref	person who created this disk
RO_{run}	creation_time	datetime	time and date VDI was created
RO_{run}	last_mounted	datetime	time the VDI was last mounted by a guest

2.13.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VDI

Class VDI has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.14 Class: VBD

2.14.1 Fields for class: VBD

Name	VBD		
Description	a virtual block device		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	VM	VM ref	the virtual machine
RW	VDI	VDI ref	the virtual disk
RW	device	string	device seen by the guest e.g. hda1
RW	mode	vbd_mode	the mode the disk should be mounted with
RW	driver	driver_type	the style of driver
RW	qos/algorithm_type	string	QoS algorithm to use
RW	qos/algorithm_params	string	Paramters for chosen QoS algorithm
RO_{run}	<pre>IO_bandwidth/incoming_kbs</pre>	float	Read bandwidth (Kb/s)
RO_{run}	<pre>IO_bandwidth/outgoing_kbs</pre>	float	Write bandwidth (Kb/s)

2.14.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VBD

Class VBD has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.15 Class: filesystem

2.15.1 Fields for class: filesystem

Name	filesystem		
Description	an on-disk filesystem	n	
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RO_{run}	block_size	int	block size
RO_{run}	total_blocks	int	total blocks on disk
RO_{run}	available_blocks	int	blocks available for allocation
RO_{run}	used_blocks	int	blocks already in use
RO_{run}	percentage_free	int	Percentage of free space left in filesys-
			tem
RO_{run}	type	string	filesystem type

2.15.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: filesystem

Class filesystem has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.16 Class: user

2.16.1 Fields for class: user

Name	user		
Description	a user of the system	i	
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RO_{ins}	short_name	string	short name (e.g. userid)
RW	fullname	string	full name
RW	user_groups	user_group ref Set	the groups this user belongs to
RW	${\tt created_VDIs}$	VDI ref Set	the VDIs this user has created
RW	VM_ACL_entries	VM_ACL ref Set	The VM ACL entries that refer to
			this user can directly (i.e. not via a group)
RW	host_ACL_entries	$Host_ACL$ ref Set	The Host ACL entries that refer to
			this user directly (i.e. not via a group)
RW	SR_ACL_entries	SR_ACL ref Set	The SR ACL entries that refer to this
			user directly.

2.16.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: user

Class user has no additional RPCs associated with it.

$2.17 \quad {\bf Class: \ user_group}$

2.17.1 Fields for class: user_group

Name	user_group		
Description	a group of users		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable de-
			scription
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then
			some more
RW	users	user ref Set	Users in the group
RW	VM_ACL_entries	VM_ACL ref Set	The VM ACL entries that refer to
			this UserGroup
RW	host_ACL_entries	Host_ACL ref Set	The Host ACL entries that refer to
			this UserGroup
RW	SR_ACL_entries	SR_ACL ref Set	The SR ACL entries that refer to this
			UserGroup

2.17.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: user_group

Class user_group has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.18 Class: host_group

2.18.1 Fields for class: host_group

Name	host_group		
Description	a group of physical hosts		
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RW	hosts	host ref Set	Hosts in the group
RW	host_ACL_entries	Host_ACL ref Set	The Host ACL entries that refer to this Hostgroup

2.18.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: host_group

Class host_group has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.19 Class: VM_group

2.19.1 Fields for class: VM_group

Name	VM_group		
Description	a group of virtual machines	3	
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	name/label	string	a short human-readable label
RW	name/short_description	string	a short human-readable description
RW	name/long_description	string	a slightly longer human-readable description
RW	name/detail	string	everything you can think of, and then some more
RW	VMs	VM ref Set	VMs in the group
RW	VM_ACL_entries	VM_ACL ref Set	The VM ACL entries that refer to this VM Group.

2.19.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VM_group

Class VM_group has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.20 Class: VM_ACL

2.20.1 Fields for class: VM_ACL

Name	VM_ACL		
	ACL entries	for VMs. Each	entry has 1 of either vm or vmgroup set;
Description	and 1 of eith	ner user or userg	roup set. It grants access to the specified
	vm/vmgroup	for the specified	user/usergroup.
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	VM	VM ref	VM to grant access to
RW	VM_group	$VM_{\underline{\ }}group\ ref$	VMGroup to grant access to
RW	user	user ref	User to give access to
RW	user_group	$user_group \ ref$	Usergroup to give access to

2.20.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: VM_ACL

Class VM_ACL has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.21 Class: Host_ACL

2.21.1 Fields for class: Host_ACL

Name	Host_ACL		
	ACL entries	for Hosts. Each	entry has 1 of either host or hostgroup set;
Description	and 1 of eith	ner user or userg	roup set. It grants access to the specified
	vm/vmgroup	for the specified	user/usergroup.
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	host	host ref	Host to grant access to
RW	host_group	$host_group \ ref$	Host group to grant access to
RW	user	user ref	User to give access to
RW	user_group	user_group ref	Usergroup to give access to

2.21.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: Host_ACL

Class Host_ACL has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.22 Class: SR_ACL

2.22.1 Fields for class: SR_ACL

Name	SR_ACL ACL entries	for Storage. S.	R is always set; and 1 of either user or
Description		t. It grants acc	cess to the specified SR for the specified
Quals	Field	Type	Description
RO_{run}	uuid	string	globally-unique ID
RW	SR	SR ref	SR to grant access to
RW	user	user ref	User to give access to
RW	user_group	user_group ref	Usergroup to give access to

2.22.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: SR_ACL

Class SR_ACL has no additional RPCs associated with it.

2.23 Class: task

2.23.1 Fields for class: task

Class task has no fields.

2.23.2 Additional RPCs associated with class: task

RPC name: get_status

Overview: Poll a running asynchronous RPC invocation and query its status

Signature:

XML get_status (session_id s, task_id task)

Arguments:

type	name	description
task_id	task	The ID of the RPC call to poll

Return Type: XML

XML string describing status of specified asynchronous RPC invocation

RPC name: get_all_tasks

Overview: List all asynchronous RPC calls currently executing

Signature:

task_id Set get_all_tasks (session_id s)

Return Type: task_id Set

A list of tasks currently executing. Note that tasks are associated with users rather than sessions. Thus, if you logout and login again with a different session but the same user, this function will still return the user's running tasks.

2.24 DTD

General notes:

- Values of primitive types (int, bool, etc) and higher-order types (Sets, Maps) are encoded as simple strings, rather than being expanded into XML fragments. For example "5", "true", "1, 2, 3, 4", "(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4)"
- Values of enumeration types are represented as strings (e.g. "PAE", "3DNow!")
- Object References are represented as UUIDs, written in string form
- <!ELEMENT networks (#PCDATA)>
- <!ELEMENT guaranteed_size (#PCDATA)>
- <!ELEMENT VMs (#PCDATA)>
- <!ELEMENT long_description (#PCDATA)>

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<!ELEMENT PCI_bus (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT required (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT dynamic_max (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT coredump (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT boot_method (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT TPM (instance, backend)>
<!ELEMENT network_manager (uuid, networks)>
<!ELEMENT VM_ACL_entries (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT creator (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT MTU (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT running_on (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT physical_size (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT total_promised (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT total_guaranteed (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT total_blocks (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT crash (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT name ((#PCDATA) | (label, short_description, long_description, detail))>
<!ELEMENT algorithm_params (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT cdrom (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT kernel ((kernel, initrd, args) | (#PCDATA))>
<!ELEMENT builder (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT uuid (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT user ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, short_name, fullname, user_groups, created_VDIs,
VM_ACL_entries, host_ACL_entries, SR_ACL_entries))>
<!ELEMENT user_version (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Host_ACL (uuid, host, host_group, user, user_group)>
<!ELEMENT IO_bandwidth (incoming_kbs, outgoing_kbs)>
<!ELEMENT VIFs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT force_off (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VM ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, VM_ACL_entries, name, VM_groups, user_version, is_a_template,
running_on, memory, VCPUs, actions, coredump, VIFs, VBDs, TPM, bios, platform, builder,
console_port, boot_method, kernel, grub, PCI_bus, tools_version))>
<!ELEMENT globally_shared (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VNC (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT platform (std_VGA, SDL, VNC, serial, localtime, clock_offset, enable_audio)>
<!ELEMENT host_group ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, hosts, host_ACL_entries))>
<!ELEMENT session ()>
<!ELEMENT policy (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT standby (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VM_group ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, VMs, VM_ACL_entries))>
<!ELEMENT actual (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT host_cpu (uuid, host, number, features, utilisation)>
<!ELEMENT SRs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT number (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT actions (power_off, reboot, crash, standby)>
<!ELEMENT VLAN (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VIF (uuid, name, type, device, network, VM, MAC, MTU, network_read_kbs, network_write_kbs,
qos, IO_bandwidth)>
<!ELEMENT creation_time (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VM_ACL (uuid, VM, VM_group, user, user_group)>
<!ELEMENT algorithm_type (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT network_read_kbs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VDIs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT SR_ACL (uuid, SR, user, user_group)>
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<!ELEMENT dynamic_min (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT resident_VMs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT cmdline (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT storage_manager (uuid, SRs)>
<!ELEMENT power_off (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT used_blocks (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT tools_version (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT sharable (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VDI ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, SR, VBDs, filesystem, virtual_size, guaranteed_size,
type, parent, children, sharable, creator, creation_time, last_mounted))>
<!ELEMENT outgoing_kbs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT static_max (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT features ((#PCDATA) | (required, can_use, force_on, force_off))>
<!ELEMENT incoming_kbs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT percentage_free (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT memory (static_max, dynamic_max, actual, dynamic_min, static_min)>
<!ELEMENT initrd (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT last_mounted (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT bios (cdrom, boot)>
<!ELEMENT device (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT MAC (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT default_gateway (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT qos (algorithm_type, algorithm_params)>
<!ELEMENT software_version (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT location (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT instance (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT short_name (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VM_groups (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT params (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT serial (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT boot (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT console_port (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT short_description (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT NIC (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT SR_ACL_entries (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT virtual_size (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT host_groups (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT children (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT driver (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT host_ACL_entries (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT host ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, software_version, SRs, resident_VMs, host_groups,</pre>
host_ACL_entries, host_CPUs))>
<!ELEMENT is_a_template (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT force_on (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT local_node (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT std_VGA (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT network_write_kbs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT localtime (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT args (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT user_groups (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT parent (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT network ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, VIFs, NIC, VLAN, default_gateway, default_netmask))>
<!ELEMENT VBDs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT clock_offset (#PCDATA)>
```

```
<!ELEMENT task ()>
<!ELEMENT static_min (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT grub (cmdline)>
<!ELEMENT fullname (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT label (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT SDL (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VCPUs (policy, params, utilisation, features)>
<!ELEMENT host_CPUs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT created_VDIs (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT reboot (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT available_blocks (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT enable_audio (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT can_use (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT users (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT SR ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, VDIs, total_promised, total_guaranteed, physical_size,
type, location, globally_shared, local_node, SR_ACL_entries))>
<!ELEMENT block_size (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT utilisation (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT filesystem ((uuid, block_size, total_blocks, available_blocks, used_blocks,</pre>
percentage_free, type) | (#PCDATA))>
<!ELEMENT mode (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT VBD (uuid, VM, VDI, device, mode, driver, qos, IO_bandwidth)>
<!ELEMENT type (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT backend (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT user_group ((#PCDATA) | (uuid, name, users, VM_ACL_entries, host_ACL_entries,
SR_ACL_entries))>
<!ELEMENT default_netmask (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT detail (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT hosts (#PCDATA)>
```

2.24.1 XML configuration examples

2.24.2 A virtual network interface

2.24.3 A paravirtualised guest

```
<17m>
  <name>
    <label>debian</label>
    <shortDescription>Debian etch unstable</shortDescription>
    <longDescription>A completely vanilla install of Debian etch unstable/longDescription>
    <detail>I could write a long description here, including versions of all the software
                      installed, all the licenses, everything I can think of.</detail>
 </name>
  <memory>
    <staticmax>1G</staticmax>
    <staticmin>128M</staticmin>
    <!-- actual is a runtime property -->
    <dynamicmax>512M</dynamicmax>
    <dynamicmin>128M</dynamicmin>
  </memory>
  <vcpus>
    <policy="variable_within_range">
    \operatorname{sparams}=\operatorname{range}=(0,5)">
    <features>
      <required> FPU, P4 </required>
      <canuse> SSE, 3DNow! </canuse>
      <force_on> SSE </force_on>
      <force_off> 3DNow! </force_off>
    </features>
 </re>
 <!-- set how guest behaves on poweroff, reboot, crash, standby -->
  <actions>
    <poweroff> destroy </poweroff>
    <reboot> restart </reboot>
    <crash> preserve </crash>
    <standby> rename-restart </standby>
  </actions>
 <!-- generate coredump on poweroff, reboot, crash, standby -->
  <coredump> true </coredump>
 <!-- attach following vifs and vdis to guest on startup -->
  <vifs> uuid-1234-5678-1234-5678, uuid-2345-6789-2345-6789 </vifs>
 <vdis> uuid-1234-5678-1234-5678, uuid-2345-6789-2345-6789 /vdis>
 <tpm>
    <instance>0</instance>
    <backend>0</backend>
  </tpm>
```

```
<bios>
    <cdrom>/dev/cdrom</cdrom>
    <boot>cdrom</boot>
  </bios>
  <platform>
    <stdvga>false</stdvga>
    <sdl>false</sdl>
    <vnc>true</vnc>
   <serial>/dev/pty1</serial>
    <localtime>true</localtime>
    <enable_audio>true</enable_audio>
  </platform>
  <builder> /domain/builder/part/of/virtual/bios </builder>
  <console_port>1234</console_port>
  <boot_method>kernel_internal
  <kernel>
    <kernel>/boot/vmlinuz</kernel>
    <initrd>/boot/initrd.img</initrd>
    <args>root=/dev/nfs ... </args>
  </kernel>
  <grub>
   <cmdline></cmdline> <!-- not used by this boot_method -->
  </grub>
  <pci_bus></pci_bus> <!-- no devices to pass-through -->
  <!-- toolsVersion is a runtime property -->
</vm>
```