

# **Taking the Open Cloud to 11 with CloudStack!**

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## **What This Talk is About**

**(Aside from kittens, unicorns, and rainbows.)**

# **Cloud, blah, blah, blah**

- **When thinking about “cloud” we mean:**
  - On Demand, Self-Service
  - Broad Network Access
  - Resource Pooling
  - Rapid Elasticity
  - Measured Service
  - API

# In Other Words: Solving Real Problems

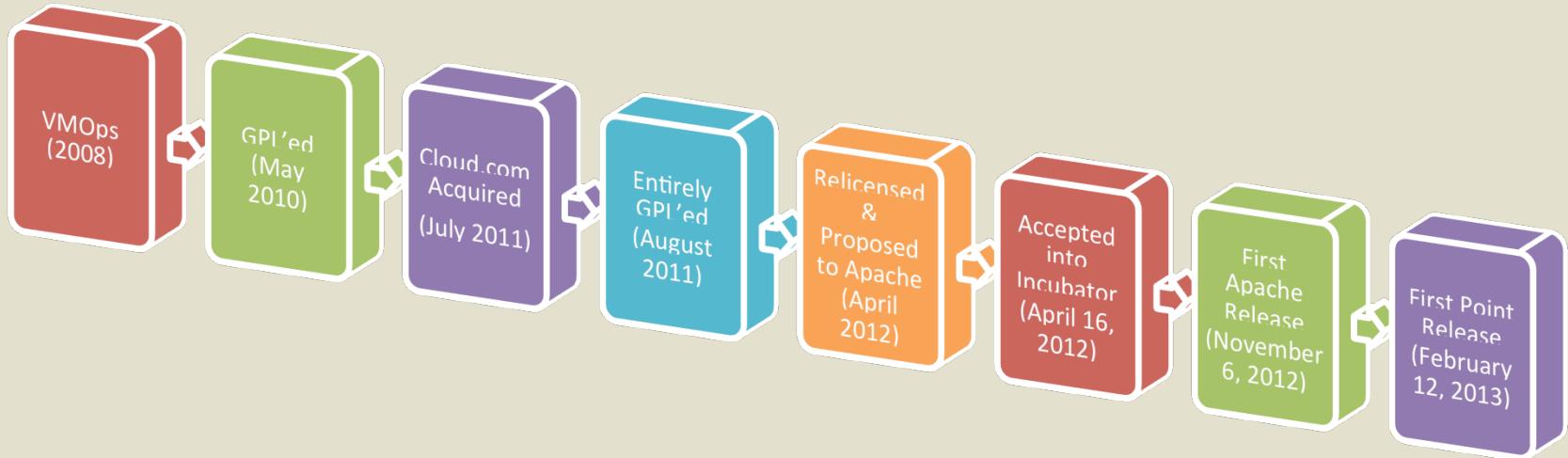
- **Eliminating Virtual Sprawl**
- **Programmatic Access to Infrastructure**
- **Self-Provisioning for Customers via GUI or API**
- **Maximizing Resources**
- **Hosting Dual Workloads (Legacy and Cloud)**
- **Robust, Scalable, Fashionable\***

*\* That last one, maybe not so much.*



**So... What is CloudStack?**

# CloudStack History (so far)



# CloudStack Design Goals

- Multi-tenancy
- Broad Hardware/Hypervisor Support
- Orchestrate Hardware Resources that may be behind a firewall
- Horizontally scalable management layer
- Beautiful and Functional UI

# High-Level Features

A set of applications that:

- Provide separation between tenants
- Handle allocating compute resources (inc. custom allocators)
- Let users provision compute resources
- Manage High Availability
- Massively scalable (thousands of nodes)
- Resource usage accounting
- And more...

# **Management Server**

- **UI/API bits are stateless (state is stored in a MySQL database)**
- **All UI functionality is available as an API call**
- **Restful API**
  - Unauthenticated API on 8096 for localhost (disabled by default)
  - Authenticated on port 8080
  - Responses in XML or JSON

# **Domains, Projects, and Users**

- **CloudStack has a top-level domain called ROOT**
- **You can create sub-domains**
- **You can create 3 types of accounts, admins, domain-admins, or users**
- **Projects can be used to hold resources for time-limited projects**

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- KVM
- XenServer
- Xen Cloud Platform
- VMware via vCenter
- Bare Metal via IPMI

# Hypervisor Support

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# CloudStack Primary Storage

- Where the VMs volumes reside.
- Supports NFS, iSCSI, Clustered Logical Volume Manager, and others.  
(Depends on hypervisor)
- Hypervisor communicates with primary storage – mgmt server only communicates with host hypervisor.
- You can use local storage, but lose some features.

# CloudStack Secondary Storage

- Stores templates, ISOs, and snapshots
- Historically NFS – added the option of object storage recently
  - Includes Swift, GlusterFS, Ceph and others (in various states of production readiness)
- Managed by Secondary Storage VM –
  - Manages moving templates and snapshots from/to primary storage, aging out snapshots, etc.

# CloudStack Allocation

- How are VMs placed, storage allocated, etc.?
- CloudStack has several defaults
  - First fit
  - Fill first
  - Disperse
- Don't like those? Create your own!
- Allows over-provisioning
- OS Preference

# RFMTTR (High Availability)

- RFMTTR – “really fast mean time to recovery.”
- CloudStack is *not* (alone) a magical HA solution.
- Watches HA-enabled VMs to ensure they’re up, and that the hypervisor it’s on is up. Will restart on another if the hypervisor goes down.
- Redundant router.

# CloudStack Networking

- **CloudStack manages**
  - DHCP
  - VLAN allocation
  - Firewall
  - NAT/Port forwarding
  - Routing
  - VPN
  - Load Balancing
- **CloudStack can manage physical network hardware (F5-Big IP, NetScaler, Juniper SRX)**

# Misc. Features

- Usage Accounting
- UI is Easily Re-Themed / Replaced
- Over-Provisioning
- LDAP Integration
- Notification and Capacity Thresholds
- CloudMonkey CLI
- Much more!

# Getting Started

- Visit **CloudStack.org**
- Start with RPMs or Debian Packages  
(CentOS/RHEL 6.3 and Ubuntu LTS 12.04 supported)
- Sign up for  
**cloudstack-**  
**users@incubator.apache.org**
- Talk to us! #cloudstack on Freenode





Dashboard



Instances



Storage



Network



Templates



Events



Accounts



Domains



Infrastructure



Projects



Global Settings



Service Offerings

## Storage - Volumes

Select view: Volumes



Upload volume

Add Volume

Name	Type	Hypervisor	VM display name	Actions
ROOT-65	ROOT	KVM	gluster2	
DATA-65	DATADISK	KVM	gluster2	
ROOT-64	ROOT	KVM	gluster1	
DATA-64	DATADISK	KVM	gluster1	
ROOT-62	ROOT	KVM	doctest	
ROOT-58	ROOT	KVM	01-02-03-echt-144a-711-63b1208d09c8	
ROOT-53	ROOT	KVM	openshift	
ROOT-52	ROOT	KVM	fluffy	
ROOT-49	ROOT	KVM	s3stuff	
DATA-49	DATADISK	KVM	s3stuff	
DATA-48	DATADISK	KVM		
DATA-44	DATADISK	KVM		

# Demo Time?

# That's All! Thanks!

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