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Outline

- Introduction
- Datacentres
 - Meyrin and Prevessin
- Resources
- Operations





CERN Cloud Infrastructure

- Infrastructure as a Service
- Production since July 2013
- Running on Redhat Enterprise Linux / AlmaLinux 9
 - Based on Redhat Distribution of OpenStack (RDO)
- Meyrin and Prevessin Data Centres
- Currently running Yoga+ release
 - Some services already in Zed release

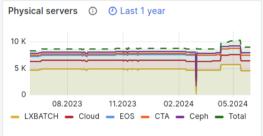




Openstack services statistics

Users		Projects		Loadbalancers	In	mages	Volumes	Volumes size	File Shares	File Shares size	Object Store b	Object Store si
3450 4768		8	430		6569	7480	4.60 PB	4486	2.27 PB	601	175 TB	
Servers				Cores			RAM			Batch		:
Physical 9145	Physical in use 8946	Hypervisors 1860	Virtual 17863	Physical F 585 K	lypervis 482 k		Physical 2.71 PB	Hypervisors 492 TB	Virtual 286 TB	Servers 4684	Cores 333259	RAM 1.38 PB

Time series

















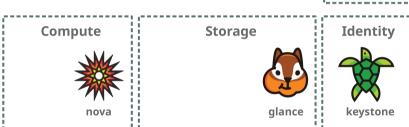


Initial offering

IaaS+



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in Meyrin DC



CERN Cloud Infrastructure - now

IaaS+

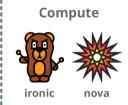






IaaS











Key manager barbican

In MDC & PDC

Integration

Infra



Metric aggr



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Monitoring



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rundeck

Automation

Probing

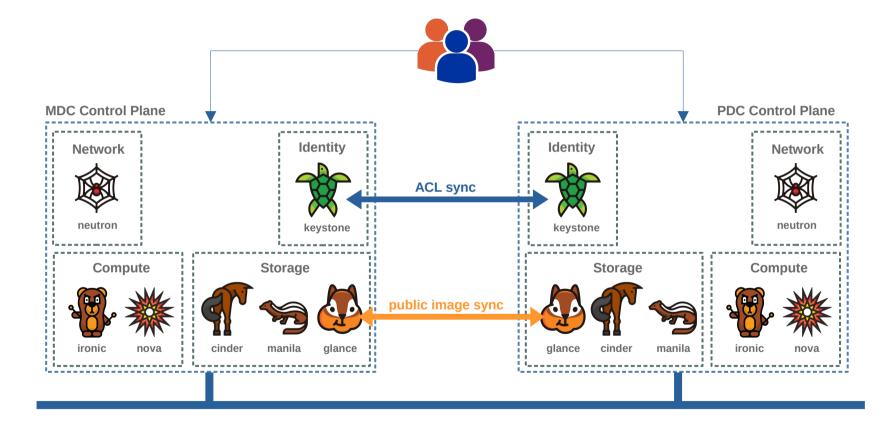




rabbitmq cornerstone



Minimal interactions between sites





Differences between datacentres

Feature	Meyrin DC	Prevessin DC			
OpenStack version	Yoga+				
OS version	RHEL9 / ALMA9				
Availability Zones	3 Compute 3 Storage	1 Compute & Storage			
Number of Cells	34	1			
Cross Zone attachments	YES	NO			
Anti-/Affinity Filters	Host	Host, Rack, Room			
Networks	Provider	Provider & Private			
SDN Features	Load Balancers	Security Groups Load Balancers Floating IPs			
Capacity (Memory on HV)	375TB	72TB			
Capacity (on Diesel)	12TB	-			
UPS expected lifetime	15min	5min			



Available to all CERN users



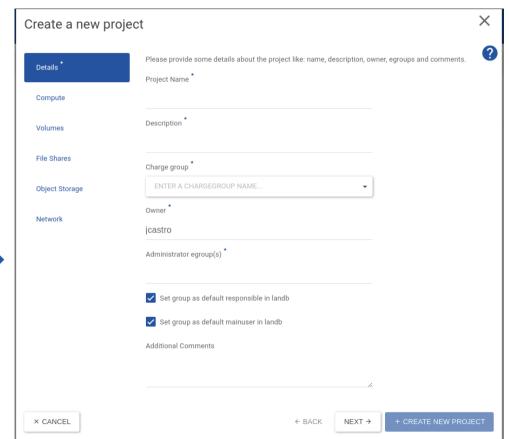
- Also accessible on-demand to federated users (based on group membership)
- Types of projects (owned by a CERN primary account)

	Affiliation Expired	User Disabled	User Deleted	
Shared	Promote	-	-	
Personal	-	Stop	Delete	



How to requests resources?

REQUEST NEW PROJECT

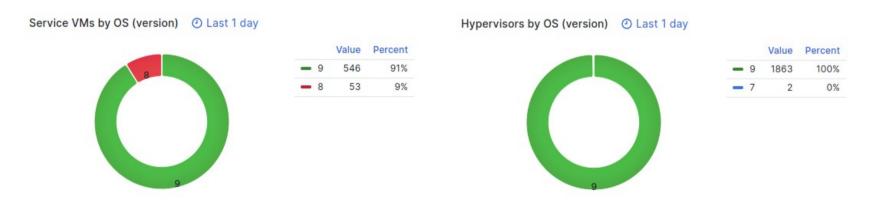






Service deployment

- From shared to "per microservice" architecture
- All deployed in VMs on our own infrastructure: "eat our own dogfood"
 - Bootstrap procedure and recovery methods
- Puppet managed running on RHEL/ALMA 8 and 9



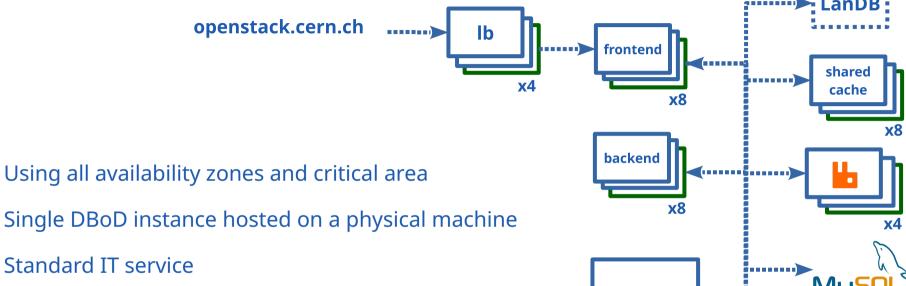


Service operations

- Meyrin Deployment upgraded since July 2013
- Per-service upgrade model (A/B or in place)
- Compute + Storage availability zones
- Huge investment on automation:
 - Delegate as much as possible administrative tasks (repair team, quota mgmt, end-user)
 - Detect and fix known issues
 - User communication
- Quite some big campaigns:
 - KVM consolidation, Spectre/Meltdown and L1TF, Cold Migration, Migration to 8/9, ...



Compute service



CELL

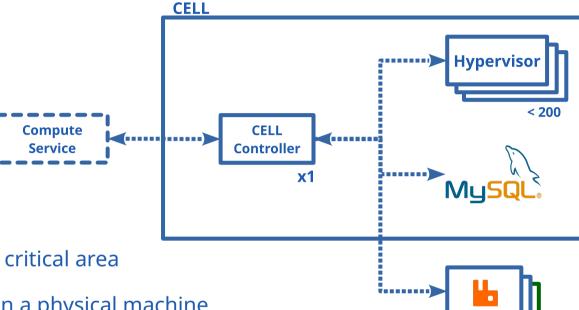
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- Standard IT service
 - VMs, puppet configured, monitored with collectd
 - Bootstrap becomes important



Active Directory

Compute service (Cell)

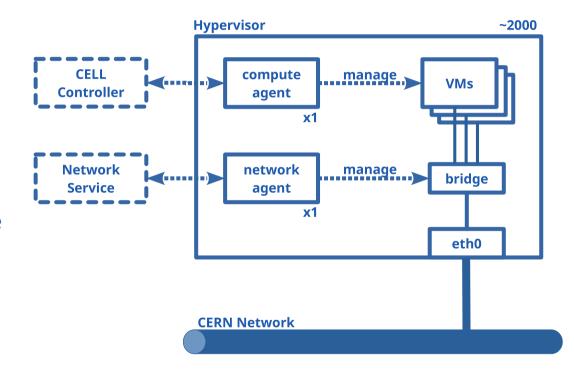


- Using all availability zones and critical area
- Single DBoD instance hosted on a physical machine
- Standard IT service
 - VMs, puppet configured, monitored with collectd
 - Bootstrap becomes important



Compute service (Hypervisor)

- Standard RHEL9 / Alma9 server
- For VMs stored on local disk
 - RAID1 or RAID0 depending on profile
- Several agents that operate resources
 - Configuration untouched if APIs are down
- Bootstrap procedure exercised on every maintenance operation





Continuous probe the Cloud APIs

- Extensive use of automated probe system
- Focus on infrastructure wide issues







Thank you



More info:

https://computing-blog.web.cern.ch/

All our **open source** code is available on:

https://gitlab.cern.ch/cloud-infrastructure

...this won't be possible without the contribution of all cloud team members





Optimize resource availability - Expiration

- Each VM in a personal project has an expiration date
- Set shortly after creation and evaluated daily
- Configured to 180 days and renewable
- Reminder mails starting 30 days before expiration
- Implemented on a Workbook in Mistral





Task delegation

- Rely on Rundeck for offloading tasks to different teams
 - Repair Team
 - Resource coordinator
 - Cloud operations

• Example: disk replacement



