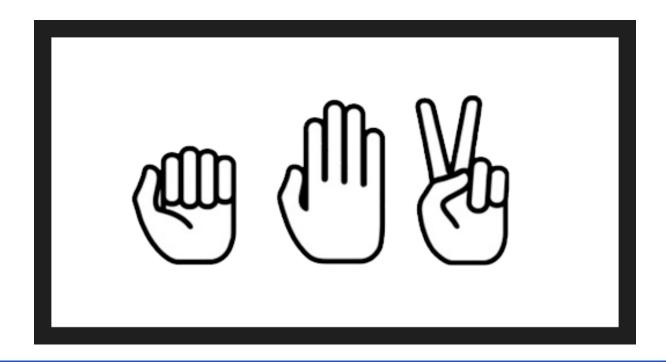
Resource Provisioning Services Introduction and Plans





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Section Mandate

"Provide Compute Services for CERN Tier-0 and WLCG"

- CERN Private Cloud
- Extension into public clouds



OpenStack



OpenStack software controls large pools of compute, storage, and networking resources throughout a datacenter, managed through a dashboard or via the OpenStack API. OpenStack works with popular enterprise and open source technologies making it ideal for heterogeneous infrastructure.

-- OpenStack
http://www.openstack.org





Many optional services





Deploying OpenStack at CERN

- Configuration infrastructure based on Puppet
- Community Puppet modules for OpenStack
- RDO RPM Packages
 - Currently on Kilo release
- 5500 hypervisors
 - 4600 CC7
 - 180 Microsoft Windows 2012 R2
 - 50 RHEL6/7
 - 700 SLC6 -> being phased out



Usage

- ~2000 CERN users, 400+ shared projects
 - LCG experiments, IT services, development boxes, ...
- ~15000 Virtual Machines
 - Creation/deletion rate of ~200 VMs/hour
- Different workloads
 - Compute intensive, I/O intensive
 - Compute nodes are optimized for these workloads



Service additions during 2015

- Introduced OpenStack Heat
 - Cloud Orchestration
- Cinder Volumes
 - NetApp for Hyper-V
 - Ceph @ Wigner
- Keystone endpoint filtering
 - Allows for selective adding of services (Heat, S3)



Automation



- Automated service interventions, log the results
- Interacts with ServiceNow, OpenStack, ActiveDirectory, etc.
- Allows sharing of tasks with other teams without exposing credentials or procedures:
 - SysAdmins and hardware repair teams:
 Workflows related to hypervisor maintenance
 (h/w intervention, notify users...)
 - Cloud-Operations: Project creation, Health reports, Quota update



Ongoing activities



Scaling the service

- A lot of box shuffling
 - Today: ~5500 compute nodes (145K cores)
 - Underway: 25K cores
 - Spring 2016: 60K cores
 - Retirements: being clarified
- Developing a VM migration framework
 - (block) live-migration where possible, cold migration where necessary
 - Automated planning & execution!



CPU Performance optimizations

- Developed an optimized configuration
 - NUMA-aware VM scheduling, 2MB huge pages
 - See Hepix talk for details
- Virtualization overhead pushed below 5%
 - For full-node VMs!
- Configuration successfully field-tested in Q4 2015
- Rollout has now started
 - ~2000 compute nodes to upgrade in coming months
 - In close collaboration with the Batch team



Metering, Accounting, Auditing

- Start using our Ceilometer data
 - Data analytics
 - Gnocchi time series of samples
- Enable CADF
 - Cloud Accounting Data Federation
 - 7 "W"s of audit and compliance
 - Uses Ceilometer events
- Produce per-domain usage reports



CERN Cloud Procurement Roadmap

- First Procurement, March '15
 - Target a single VO, run simulation jobs, up to 3,000 vCPUs
- Second Procurement
 - Production activity currently running (Nov.-Dec. '15), Target multi VOs, simulation jobs. ~2,000 vCPUs
- Microsoft Azure laaS evaluation
 - Granted credit for usage (Apr.-Nov. '15), up to 4,600 vCPUs in 3 Data Centres
 - Similar workloads as in Second Procurement
- IBM Bare metal server Evaluation
 - Granted credit for next 5 months (until May '16)
- □ Third Procurement
 - Production activity to start during Spring '16, Target multi VOs, full chain processing
 - Procurement phase is ongoing
 - Crucial components: Cloud Storage and Network
- Areas of work: Capacity Management, Cloud Monitoring, Benchmarking, Accounting



Neutron

- Deprecation of nova-network progressing slowly...
 - our Neutron deployment reflects this ©
- Plan:
 - Deploy a compute cell w/ Neutron
 - Get experience
 - Develop migration plan for existing cells
 - Execute it.
- Note: initially we aim for feature parity. Later, we may investigate enhancements (like per-tenant networks)



CVI phase-out

- Phase-out strategy:
 - Help users to recreate VMs on OpenStack
 - Migrate VMs to OpenStack where appropriate
- Actively working with different customers:
 - 130 developer VMs managed BE/CO
 - 110 IT service and development VMs
 - 80 Engineering VMs managed
 - Contacting end-users for 250 "custom" VMs
- Aim: close down the service by mid-2016



Domains

- "Top-level" for projects
 - With delegation of administration privileges
- Introduce gently into our cloud
 - First: Indigo Datacloud (federated science cloud)
 - Set up Edugain Federation
 - Sort out access to resources, ownership, etc.
- Nested quota are coming along
 - Cinder: has landed in Liberty
 - Nova: should land in Mitaka



Container orchestration

- Use cases developing rapidly
 - Root-as-a-Service, EN/ICE, OpenShift, Indigo DataCloud
 - Requests for Kubernetes for orchestration
- Investigations into OpenStack Magnum are well underway
 - Scale-out using Heat
 - Deployment scenario's
 - Introducing OpenStack Neutron network component ©
 - Atomic hosts
- Pre-prod service in Q1



Image management

- Working with Linux Support team to build Linux VM and container images using Koji
- New Glance feature "community images" allow for easier image sharing
- Could review creation and support of official images
- Similar for Windows images



Other work items

- OpenStack EC2API
 - Replaces Nova EC2 driver
 - Better implementation, better support
- Possible service extensions
 - Ironic Bare Metal provisioning
 - Murano Application Catalog
 - Manilla Shared Filesystems



Major work items for this year

- Integrating Private and Public cloud services
- Operating and evolving these services
- Improvements in monitoring, benchmarking, accounting
- Introduce exciting new features ©



Crystal clear? Cloudy?



