

# **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\***

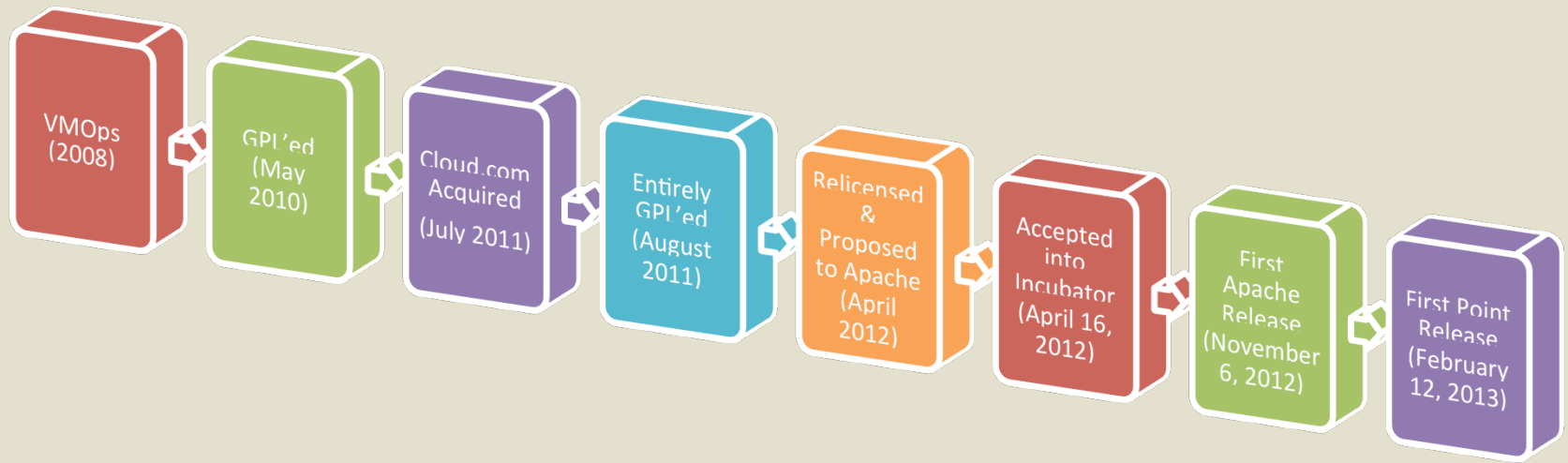
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**So... What is CloudStack?**

# 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**



# Hypervisor Support

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

# 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.

Name	Type	Hypervisor	VM display name	Actions
ROOT-65	ROOT	KVM	cluster2	
DATA-65	DATADISK	KVM	cluster2	
ROOT-64	ROOT	KVM	cluster1	
DATA-64	DATADISK	KVM	cluster1	
ROOT-62	ROOT	KVM	doctest	
ROOT-63	ROOT	KVM	ec2-444a-ae11-63b1208d09c8	
ROOT-58	ROOT	KVM	transif	
ROOT-52	ROOT	KVM	fluffy	
ROOT-51	ROOT	KVM		
DATA-48	DATADISK	KVM		
DATA-47	DATADISK	KVM		

# 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

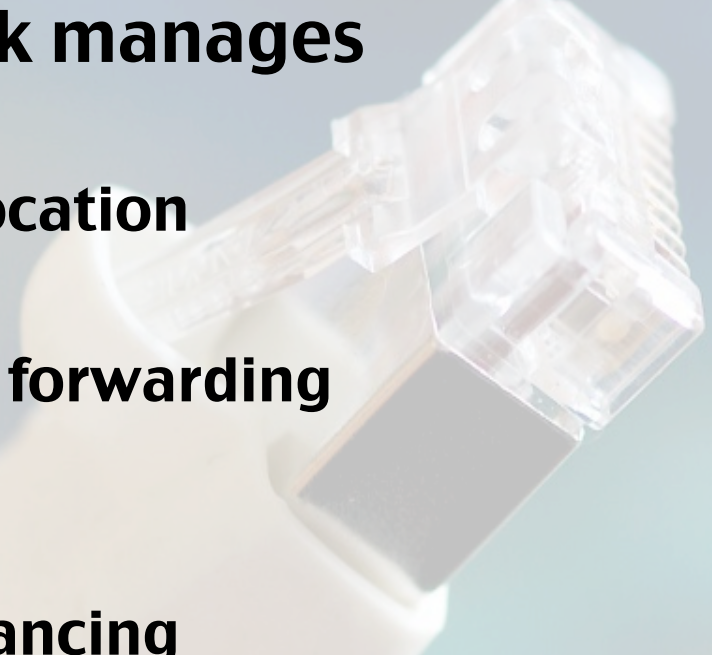
- **How are VMs placed, storage allocated, etc.?**
- **CloudStack has several defaults**
  - **First fit**
  - **Fill first**
  - **Disperse**
- **Don't like those? Create your own!**
- **Allows over-provisioning**
- **OS Preference**



# 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)**
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# 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](http://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](mailto:cloudstack-users@incubator.apache.org)**
- **Talk to us! #cloudstack on Freenode**







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Demo Time?





# That's All! Thanks!

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