Cloud Computing Part 4: Research

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- Active Cloud Computing research fronts
- 2 Elastic Scalability, PaaS and SOA
- In Monitoring and Control
- Private and Hybrid Cloud
- Multitenant data and app architecture

Research fronts - Open challenges

- PaaS, SOA, Elastic Scalability \Rightarrow role of PaaS, SOA applied to PaaS
- $\bullet\,$ Monitoring and Control SPI stack \Rightarrow get indicators, analyze and forecast, act
- $\bullet\,$ Private and Hybrid Cloud $\Rightarrow\,$ hw consolidation, bursting, federation
- Multitenancy data and apps \Rightarrow cloud-enabled application arch, economy of scale

*Approach: set objectives \Rightarrow get results !!

Agile method and measurable progress to solve enterprises use cases

- theory = comprehension
 - review literature: books, articles, documentation, tutorials
 - survey of tech and and comparison on paper of spec & features
- practice = application + experience
 - technical knowledge & solution convenience
 - use open-source technologies and tools to build solutions (PoC)

Open challenges

Elastic Scalability and the PaaS layer - Business concerns

- Rapid elasticity, or Elastic Scalability, allows the cloud provider to dynamically adapt service capacity according to the use profile determined by customers
- an ISV supplies a service at the SaaS level, normally via a web application. As part of that, it needs the infrastructure to support the service that is selling
- the provider wants to avoid over-provisioning of resources so to take advantage of the infrastructure in the most cost-effective way (dynamic compromise)
- The PaaS can help



Elastic Scalability and the PaaS layer - PaaS role

- $\bullet~\mbox{PaaS}=\mbox{capability}$ to develop, deploy, and orchestrate onto the cloud
- analogy between PaaS and traditional OS \Rightarrow "cloud OS"
- the PaaS layer and its role is not yet completely understood
 - technology concerns
 - deployment framework model
 - elastic scalability
 - service orchestration
- PaaS can be very powerful
 - · provisioning responsibilities can be better apportioned
 - SaaS provider can escape from lock-in relations with the particular infrastructure used
 - elastic scalability of services can be implemented openly

Service-orientation and SOA - Overview

- Service-orientation = architectural paradigm/approach that adopts the concept of services as the main building blocks of application and system development ⇒ core reference model for cloud computing systems
- SOA = Service Oriented Architecture
- Its main principles are:
 - standardized contracts
 - loose coupling
 - abstraction
 - reusability
 - autonomy
 - statelessness
 - discoverability
 - composability

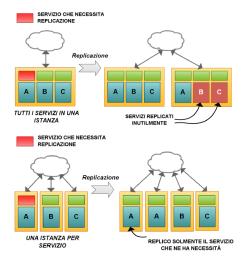
Granularity matters! \Rightarrow SOA has the right granularity for business processes distributed over a landscape of existing and new heterogeneous systems that are under the control of different owners

Service-orientation and SOA - Cacco's remark

Replicate only the components that need it!

All services within a unique instance

- to scale a service I have to replicate the instance that provides all services
- \Rightarrow monolithic = waste



One service within each instance

• to scale a service I can replicate the instance that provides that service

Service-orientation and SOA - Jolie

- Jolie is a service-oriented language born in Bologna (SOC research scope)
- built on a strong mathematical foundation (SOCK)
- based on Java, provides an intuitive and easy to use C-like syntax to deal with the implementation of architectures made of services
- service as a first-class citizen

Example: minimal multi-threading server (service) with Jolie:

SOURCE

```
/* server.ol */
execution { concurrent }
interface TwiceInterface {
    RequestResponse: twice( int )( int )
}
inputPort TwiceServiceIn {
    Location: "socket://localhost:8000"
    Protocol: sodep
    Interfaces: TwiceInterface
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main {
    twice( number )( result ) {
        result = number * 2
    }
}
EXECUTION
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SOURCE
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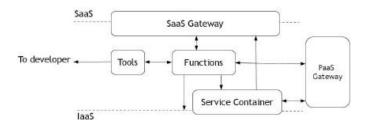
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/* client.ol */
include "console.iol"
interface TwiceInterface {
    RequestResponse: twice( int )( int )
}
outputPort TwiceServiceOut {
    Location: "socket://localhost:8000"
    Protocol: sodep
    Interfaces: TwiceInterface
}
main {
    twice@TwiceServiceOut( 5 )( response );
    println@Console( response )()
}
```

EXECUTION

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$ jolie client.ol
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$
```

PaaSSOA - Inception

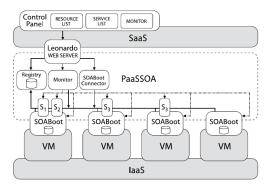
- Jolie is the enabling technology of PaaSSOA ⇒ deploying SOA principles could greatly facilitate build an open cloud platform
- the primary purpose of the PaaSSOA project is to explore the role of a SOA PaaS layer in the Cloud SPI stack (it began in Bologna)
- $\bullet\,$ open PaaS framework $\Rightarrow\,$ understanding interaction protocols between the SPI stack layers
- Vision ⇒ prototype framework to control the deployment and the execution of Jolie services, where the latter are the building blocks of cloud applications



Open challenges

Prior PaaSSOA - Architecture & features

- PaaSSOA resource model provides base abstractions for Jolie services at two levels
 - virtualization layer = capabilities for deploying and executing VM images
 - SOABoot services = container service of PaaSSOA, one for each VM
- PaaSSOA can manage two types of resources
 - VM hosts = virtualized environments controlled by SOABoots
 - $\bullet\,$ Jolie services = services deployed and executed within SOABoots



Prior PaaSSOA - Web Dashboard - Registry List



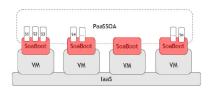
- SOARegistry \Rightarrow keep track of resources
- federated architecture
- 2nd level registry:
 - store Jolie services descriptions
 - promote res names to the upper level
- 1st level registry:
 - centralize requests
 - forward request to 2nd level registry, which has the resource



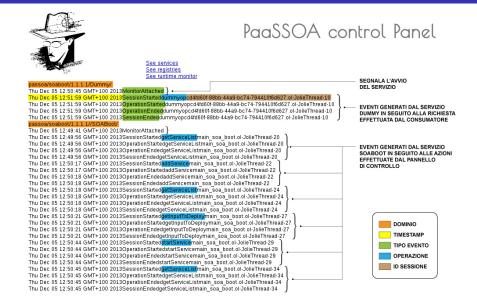
Prior PaaSSOA - Web Dashboard - Service List

Filter by domain:	See senices See registries See runtime monitor	PaaSSOA	. control Panel
Name	Domain	Registry	Actions
SOABoot	passoa/soaboot/1.1.1.1/	socket://localhost:10000	Details
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Name	Status	Select the input ports to deploy	ctions
Dummy	😑 ^{idle}	Deploy	Start Remove

- SOABoot = Jolie services container
- list of services contained by each SOABoot
- actions on services:
 - deploy, start, stop, undeploy, details
 - make available a subset of "ports"



Prior PaaSSOA - Web Dashboard - Service Monitor



Prior PaaSSOA - Lack of elastic scalability

- the idea of PaaSSOA seems promising but... it lacked the elastic scalability characteristic to demonstrate its usefulness as a cloud PaaS layer
- an entire master thesis dedicated on the theme of elastic scalability and runtime enforcement of Service Level Agreements (by Zuccato A.)
- challenges:
 - SLA definition
 - SLA enforcement
 - events collection
 - events interpretation
 - · actions to perform
 - test
 - paradigm shift
 - new technologies

Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Enaling SLA input

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- SLA = limit on service response time
- SLA input enabled on the web dashboard
- service start requires SLA to be specified

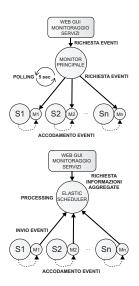
Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Changed monitoring modality

- before \Rightarrow pull mode:
 - · events gathered and queued by Jolie interpreter
 - · events request performed by main monitor
 - reply by 2nd level monitor empties internal queues
 - events gathered through polling \Rightarrow disadvantageous



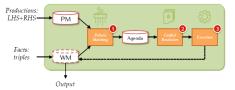
- event generation remains unchanged
- Elastic Scheduler receives events
- 2nd level mon send events automatically upon queuing
- enable "real-time" events processing

Changes impact also the SOABoot service

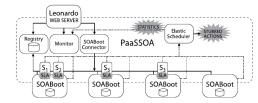


Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Drools inference engine integration

- Drools working:
 - Production Memory \Rightarrow Rules
 - Working Memory \Rightarrow Facts
 - Facts assertion in WM \Rightarrow pattern matching with LHS
 - Agenda \Rightarrow schedule rules execution
 - side effect produced by RHS execution \Rightarrow forward chaining



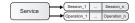
- Elastic scheduler integration:
 - ES core service in PaaSSOA
 - Java Drools embedded in a Jolie wrapper (Elastic Scheduler)
 - definition of declarative rules
 - stats and control on services
 - input \Rightarrow services events
 - output ⇒ stubbed actions



Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Declarative logic implementation

• Events aggregation:

- Events and Facts = Java objects
- objects type: Service, Session, Operation
- rules to match the start event correlated with the received end event
- based on timestamp attribute
- · calculate and store statistics





```
$js: DroolsJavaService()
```

then

rule "updateOperation"

salience 1

```
long duration = $e2.getTimestamp() - $ts;
```

- Enablement of elastic capacity:
 - Drools Fusion ⇒ temporal relationship between events (Allen operators)
 - rule replicates service when the end event doesn't arrive within the SLA threshold
 - replication is only stubbed (test toolkit)

```
rule "breakSLA"
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salience 1
when
    $e1: PaaSSOAMonitorEvent( $dom: domain, $sid: SessionId,
                            Sopname: OperationName.
                            type matches "OperationStarted" )
    not PaaSSOAMonitorEvent( domain == $dom,
                            SessionId == $sid.
                            OperationName == $opname.
                            type matches "OperationEnded",
                            this after [0ms,500ms] $e1 )
    $op: Operation( name == $opname, service == $dom.
                    $sla: response_time_threshold )
    not ActionEvent( domain == $dom )
    $is: DroolsJavaService()
then
    $js.actionOnPaaSSOA( $dom, "AddInstance" );
```

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Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Service Monitor redesign

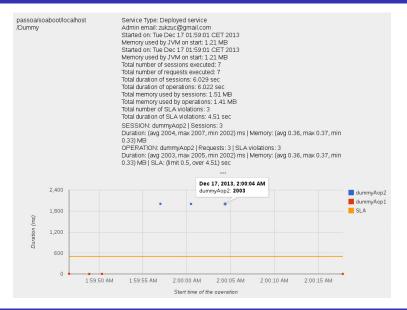


MONITOR: see monitor details of your services.

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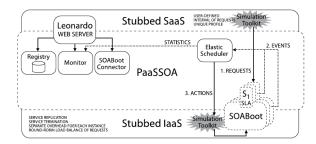
Zuccato's PaaSSOA - Service Monitor redesign



Zuccato's PaaSSOA - ES Test Toolkit

Ad-hoc toolkit implemented to test the ES to overcome current limitations

- service simulation
 - $\Rightarrow \text{ event generation}$
- use profile
 - \Rightarrow sequential ops
- 1 iter = 1 simulated op
- 4 parameters
 - 2 for op duration
 - 2 for time between ops
- enable overload
- enable effect of actions
 - service replication
 - service termination
- enable load-balancing



MT data and App arch

Zuccato's PaaSSOA - ES Test (upward scalability)

TestService1

- increased frequency \Rightarrow overload
- detected violation
 ⇒ replication
- new instance start delay

TestService2 (replicated instance)

- new SOABoot
- new service instance
- load-balancer comes into play





Zuccato's PaaSSOA - ES Test (downward scalability)

more difficult!

TestService1

- diminished frequency
 ⇒ terminate instances
- optimization
 ⇒ reduce cost!
- instance termination delay

TestService2 (replicated instance)

- instance termination
- SOABoot termination
- effect of rebalancing
- can lead to trashing (now one less cannot be enough)



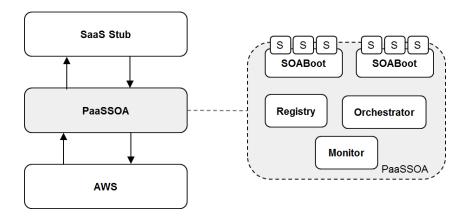


PaaSSOA post Zuccato - Hurdles and new challenges

- hurdles in PaaSSOA:
 - no real services to test
 - no real IaaS (tested in a local environment)
 - no implemented PaaSSOA replication and migration feats to manage services
 - \Rightarrow thus the Elastic Scalability test was a mere simulation !!
- $\bullet\,$ another entire master thesis dedicated on the theme of elastic scalability (by Baraldo V.)
- \Rightarrow this time the research involves the integration of PaaSSOA with a real IaaS
- with a partial redesign, PaaSSOA can reside on a real state-of-the-art laaS such AWS
- abstraction layer that helps to decouple logic service from real service instances

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Baraldo's PaaSSOA - High-level architecture

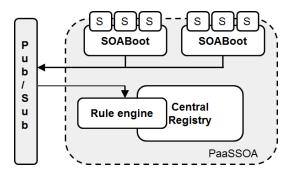


Baraldo's PaaSSOA - Key components

- A SOABoot is a PaaS representation of a VM provided by the IaaS
 - Every SOABoot can contain multiple services
- The registry keeps trace of deployed services and SOABoots mapping
- The monitor collects and present data received from SOABoots
- The orchestrator helps to manage services (automatically and manually)

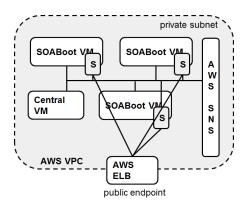
Baraldo's PaaSSOA - Publish/subscribe

- We need to obtain loose coupling
- A publish/subcribe broker is a possible solution
- It helps to obtain scalability and elasticity



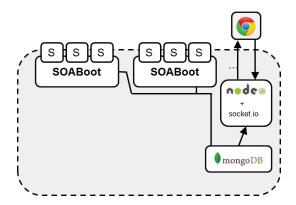
Baraldo's PaaSSOA - AWS Architecture

- Environment boundaries
 - VPC
 - Private subnets (scalable resource group)
- Load balancing
 - AWS ELB (2-levels dispaching)



Baraldo's PaaSSOA - Dashboard and monitor

- A new dashboard that becomes a simple orchestrator
- A scalable logging system where every entity can push log events
- Information could be available as soon as possible
 - Full-push architecture



Baraldo's PaaSSOA - Current status and Future Prospects

- This is a prototype: it shows the potential of the SOA principles injected in a real cloud stack
- It needs reengineering based on the experimental results
 - What are the key system components?
 - What components should be decomposed?

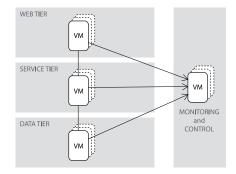
- Outlook:
 - Improve the elasticity mechanisms
 - Improve SOA components' implementation
 - Explore other technology stacks

Monitoring and Control - Overview

- Cloud application monitoring problem \Rightarrow 3 dimensions:
 - physical (hosts)
 - logical (services)
 - time
- Need to consider two sides:
 - events collection side (input)
 - actions execution side (output)
- $\bullet\,$ Then we need to put logic in-between \Rightarrow how
 - collection side \Rightarrow event processors = collect, parse, filter, transform, transfer events
 - actions execution side \Rightarrow configuration tools = streamline the task of configuring & maintaining servers
 - in-between current state or knowledge \Rightarrow production rule system = execute productions in order to achieve some goal for the system

Monitoring and Control - Architecture

- VMs on each tier are equipped differently:
 - web tier: web servers, application servers (front-ends)
 - service tier: interpreters and compilers, services (back-ends)
 - data tier: DBMS relational, NoSQL, storage volumes (back-ends)
- monitoring and control tier is the "brain"
- the first step is to equip each VM with an active agent
 - gathering of system and service performance
 - fixed footprint \Rightarrow round robin DB
 - agents send statistics and events to monitoring nodes (async)



Monitoring and Control - Current status

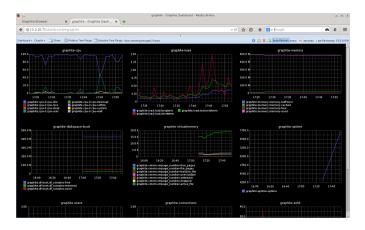
- gathering basic and general system performance statistics with Collectd
- graph visualization with Graphite



Open challenges

Monitoring and Control - Next step

- test a minimal application simulating the presence of users
 - differentiate VMs, equip VMs with the real tools
 - · specialize configuration of plugin to match tier
 - automate the provisioning of new VMs



Private and Hybrid cloud - Overview

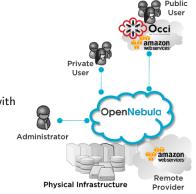
- investigate the use of open-source cloud managers to build private and hybrid cloud
- challenges of IaaS clouds:
 - How do I provision a new VM? Image Management & Context
 - Where do I store the disks? Storage
 - How do I set up networking for a multitier service? Network & VLANs
 - Where do I put my web server VM? Monitoring & Scheduling
 - How do I manage any hypervisor? Virtualization
 - Who has access to the Cloud's resources? User & Role Management
 - How do I manage my distributed infrastructure Interfaces & APIs?

Open challenges

Private and Hybrid cloud - OpenNebula

 ${\sf OpenNebula} = {\sf uniform} \ {\sf management} \ {\sf layer} \ {\sf that} \ {\sf orchestrate} \ {\sf multiple} \ {\sf technologies}$

- Data Center Virtualization Manager
 - Open-source Apache license
 - Interoperable, based on standards
 - Adaptable
- Private Clouds ⇒ virtualize your on-premise infrastructure
- Pubic Clouds \Rightarrow expose standard cloud interfaces
- Hybrid Clouds \Rightarrow extend your private cloud with resources from a remote cloud provider
- Ready for end-users
 - Advanced user management
 - CLI and Web Interface



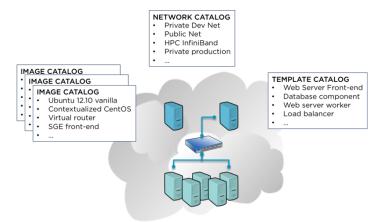
OpenNebula - Quick tour of main features

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Groups	0	PENDING		0%		Memory
ACLs	1	FAILED				, memory
Virtual Resources						
Virtual Machines	- Hosts					
Templates						
Images	1	TOTAL	CPU		MEMORY	
Files & Kernels	1	ON	0/100(0%)	Allocated	0KB / 490.5MB (0%)	Allocated
h. Infrastructure	0	OFF	0 / 100 (0%)	Real	69MB / 490.5MB (14%)	Real
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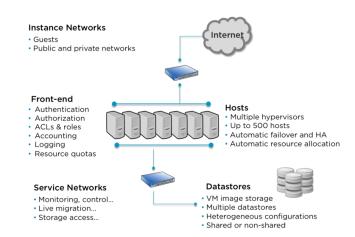
OpenNebula - What does it offer to Cloud Consumers?

- Image Catalogs
- Network Catalogs
- VM Template Catalog
- Virtual Resource Control and Monitoring
- Multi-tier Cloud Applicaion Control and Monitoring



OpenNebula - What does it offer to Cloud Operators?

- Users and Groups
- Virtualization
- Hosts
- Monitoring
- Accounting
- Networking
- Storage
- Security
- High Availability
- Clusters
- Multiple Zones
- VDCs
- Cloud Bursting
- App market

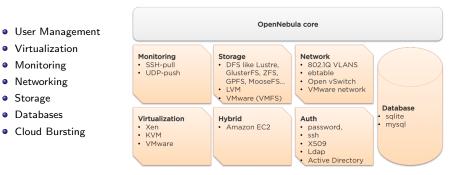


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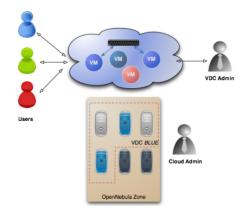


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OpenNebula - Current status and Use Cases

Virtual private Cloud Computing

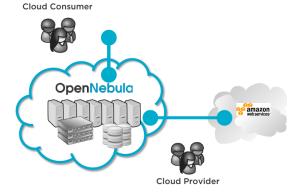
- Typical scenario in large organizations and cloud providers
- On-demand provision of fully-configurable and isolated Virtual Data Center (VCD) with full control and capacity to administer its users and resources



OpenNebula - Current status and Use Cases

Hybrid Cloud Computing

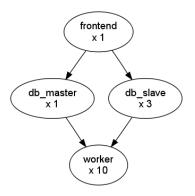
- Extension of the local private infrastructure with resources from remote clouds
- Cloud bursting to meet peak or fluctuating demands



OpenNebula - Current status and Use Cases

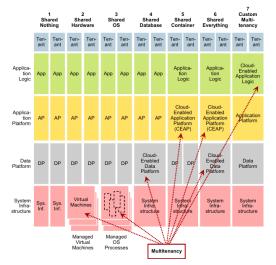
Managing Multi-tier Applications

- define, execute and manage multi-tiered applications
- interconnected Virtual Machines (roles, cardinality)
- each group of Virtual Machines is deployed and managed as a single entity



Multitenant data and app - Overview

Investigate how to design and to build multitenant data and apps



Focus on:

- 3 Shared OS
 ⇒ with Docker
- 4 Shared Database
 ⇒ separate schema for each tenant
 - each tenant
 - \Rightarrow with PostgreSQL

Multitenant data and app - Current status

A solution for multitenancy data \Rightarrow migrate the schema and the data of a tenant across VMs on data tier

- identical schema for each tenant
- logical separation
 - \Rightarrow more physical integration = more difficult to ensure logical isolation
- performance management

 \Rightarrow common startegy is to deploy resource-hungry tenants alongside tenants with low resource demands

Building a very minimal application that use the underlying data tier \Rightarrow moving schemas around

Multitenant data and app - Next steps

Add pieces to the stack \Rightarrow complement the PoC with the monitoring solution (collectd + graphite).

We will need also the logic !!

- The ultimate goal is to achieve a prototype cloud platform:
 - continuously monitoring
 - reorganizing (moving tenants around)
 - horizontally scaling service instances
 - \Rightarrow it's all done transparently

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