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# **Component Overview**



# **Runtime Requirements**

**Cluster Front-end** 

- Choose your installation mode
  - system wide (/usr, /etc...)
  - self-contained (under \$ONE\_LOCATION)
- Install software dependencies (runtime)

```
# apt-get install ruby
# apt-get install sqlite3
# apt-get install libxmlrpc-c3
```

install\_gems.sh

# Users & File-System Layout

#### **Cluster Front-end**

- The Users of the private cloud:
  - **oneadmin**: Account to run the daemons, manage the system and do all the low-level operations (e.g. start VMs, move images...).
  - Users: create and manage their own VMs and networks. *Need to be defined in OpenNebula*
- Installation layout Self-contained
  - We will use the /srv/cloud directory to place the OpenNebula software
  - /srv/cloud/one will hold the OpenNebula installation
  - /srv/cloud/one/var/datastores will contain all the datastores

# Users & File-System Layout

Cluster Front-end

Installation layout



The oneadmin account must be created system wide (i.e. front-end and all the nodes) you can use NIS, or a local account with the same ID's in all the hosts. Users do not need a UNIX account in the nodes, nor in the front-end.

### Storage for the Private Cloud

#### **Component Overview**

 Datastore: Any storage medium for the VM images (usually a high performing SAN). In this course a fs-based repo.

### Cluster Storage

- OpenNebula supports multiple back-ends (e.g. LVM for fast cloning)
- From 3.4 onwards use multiple back-ends simultaneously
- VM Directory: The home of the VM in the cluster node
  - Stores checkpoints, description files and VM disks
  - Actual operations over the VM directory depends on the storage medium
  - Should be shared for live-migrations
  - You can go on without a shared FS and use the SSH back-end
  - **Defaults to** \$ONE\_LOCATION/var/\$VM\_ID

#### Example, a shared FS architecture

**Dimensioning the Storage...** Example: A 64 core cluster will typically run around 80VMs, each VM will require an average of 10GB of disk space. So you will need ~800GB for /srv/ cloud/one, you will also want to store 10-15 master images so ~200GB for /srv/cloud/one/var/ datastores. 1TB /srv/cloud will be enough for this example setup.



```
Configuring NFS backend
```

#### # apt-get install nfs-kernel-server

Export /srv/cloud to your nodes

- only need /srv/cloud/one/var
- we also export \$HOME of oneadmin for easy SSH key configuration
- No need to export /srv/cloud/images

```
# vim /etc/exports
/srv/cloud 193.144.33.YY(rw,async,no_subtree_check,no_root_squash)
```

```
# service nfs-kernel-server restart
# service ufw stop
# iptables -F
```

# Networking for the Private Cloud

Component Overview

- OpenNebula management operations uses a ssh connections, it does not require a performing NIC
- Image traffic, may require the movement of heavy files (VM images, checkpoints). Dedicated storage links may be a good idea
- VM demands, consider the typical requirements of your VMs. Several NICs to support the VM traffic may be a good idea
- OpenNebula relies on bridge
   networking for the VMs



### **Runtime Requirements**

#### **Cluster Worker-nodes**

- Install software dependencies
  - We need SSH daemon running in the cluster nodes
  - Runtime dependencies:

# apt-get install ruby

#### Users

• Create the oneadmin account (use same UID and GID)

```
# groupadd -g 3000 cloud
# useradd -d /srv/cloud/one -g cloud -u 3000 -s /bin/bash oneadmin
```

• Set language environment to english

# cat /etc/default/locale
LANG="en\_US.UTF-8"

### **Runtime Requirements**

#### **Configuring SSH access**

• Enable password-less SSH access to cluster (oneadmin)

```
Do not protect the private key with a password
$ ssh-keygen
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
$ cp ~/.ssh/id rsa.pub ~/.ssh/authorized keys
Tell ssh client not to ask to add hosts to known hosts (optional)
$ cat /srv/cloud/one/.ssh/config
Host *
    StrictHostKeyChecking no
$ ssh 193.144.33.yy
```

You may need to exchange keys with the nodes (not here as we share /srv/cloud/one the oneadmin home, and so the ~/.ssh directory )

# Hypervisor Configuration

Example, configuring KVM in the Worker-nodes

- Installing the Hypervisor
  - OpenNebula supports KVM, Xen and Vmware (*even simultaneously*). This course applies to KVM and Xen
  - Refer to the hypervisor documentation for additional (and better information) on setting up them.
- Setting up KVM and libvirt (Ubuntu 10.04)
  - Install the packages (should be already installed)

#apt-get install qemu-common qemu-kvm libvirt-bin

# Hypervisor Configuration

Example, configuring KVM in the Worker-nodes

• Add oneadmin to the libvirt group

# usermod -G kvm,libvirtd oneadmin

• Test the installation for the oneadmin account

\$ virsh -c qemu:///system list
Id Name State



#rm /etc/libvirt/qemu/networks/autostart/default.xml
#ifconfig virbr0 down
#brctl delbr virbr0
#service libvirt-bin restart

# **Installation Checklist**

#### Preparing the cloud for OpenNebula

Software Requirements	
ACTION	DONE/COMMENTS
Installation type: self-contained, system-wide	self-contained
Installation directory	/srv/cloud/one
OpenNebula software downloaded to /srv/cloud/one/SRC	
sqlite, g++, scons, ruby and software requirements installed	
User Accounts	
ACTION	DONE/COMMENTS
oneadmin account and cloud group ready in the nodes and front-end	
Storage Checklist	
ACTION	DONE/COMMENTS
/srv/cloud structure created in the front-end	
/srv/cloud exported and accessible from the cluster nodes	
mount point of /srv/cloud in the nodes if different	VMDIR= <mount_point>/var/</mount_point>
Cluster nodes Checklist	
ACTION	DONE/COMMENTS
hostnames of cluster nodes	
ruby, sshd installed in the nodes	
oneadmin can ssh the nodes paswordless	

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