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Clouds and Virtualization to Support Grid Computing

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Objectives

- Brief review of some limitations of current Grids
- Use of virtual machines in Grids and its use for the dynamic provisioning of virtual clusters
- Grids & Clouds: Scale-out a Grid site
- Demo!



Brief Review of Grid Infrastructures

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Some Limitations of Current Grids

- High degree of heterogeneity (software & hardware)
- High operational costs
- Isolate and partition resources contributed to the Grid
- Specific environment requirements for different Vos
- Users simply do not feel like adopting our execution models (*pilot jobs...*)



Grids are difficult to maintain, operate and use



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Grids & Virtual Machines

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Virtual Machines

- A VM is an isolated runtime environment (guest OS and apps)
- Hypervisors: Full Virtualized, para-virtualization, HW Virtualization

Applications	Applications		Applications
Guest OS	Guest OS		Guest OS
Virtualization ("hypervisor" e.g. Xen, KVM, VMware)			
Physical Hardware			

Benefits of Virtualization Platforms

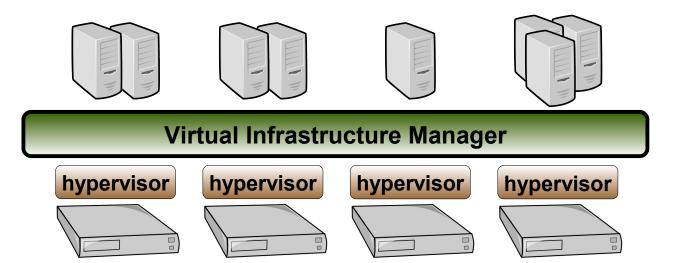
- Natural way to deal with the *heterogeneity* of the infrastructure
- Allow partitioning and isolating of physical resources
- Execution of legacy applications



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Virtual Infrastructure Manager (VIM)

- ...but something more is needed
 - Where did/do I put my VM? (*scheduling & monitoring*)
 - How do I provision a new cluster node? (*clone & context*)
 - What MAC addresses are available? (*networking*)
- Provides a *uniform view* of the resource pool
- Life-cycle management and monitoring of VM
- The VIM integrates Image, Network and Virtualization

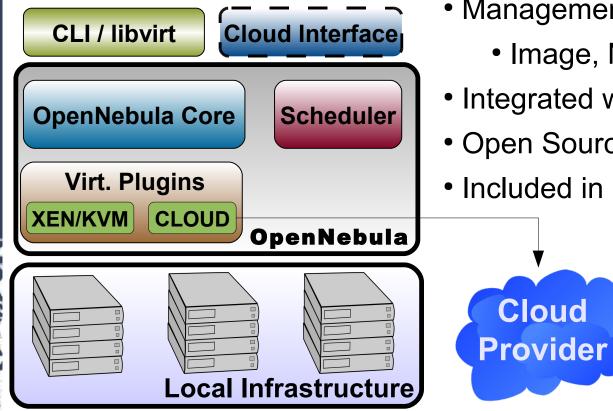




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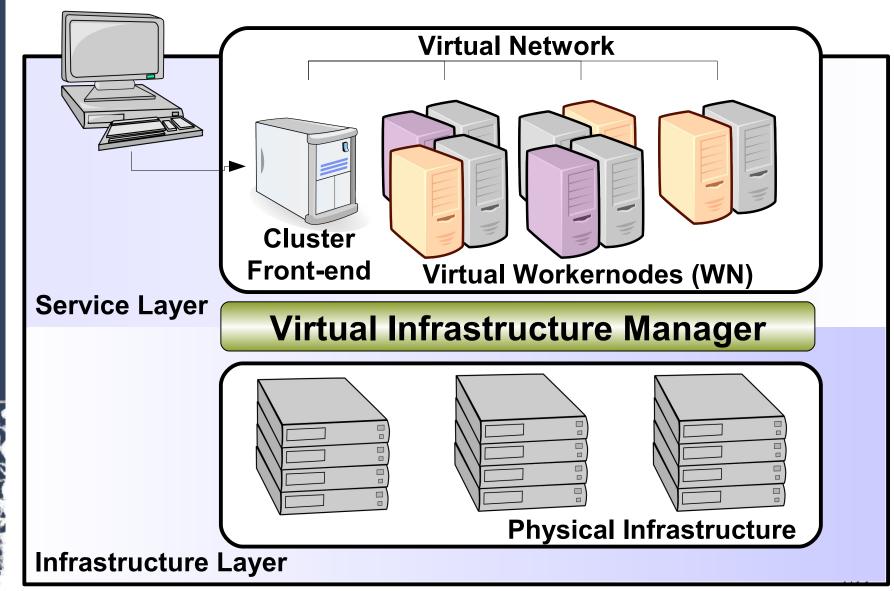
The OpenNebula Virtual Infrastructure Manager

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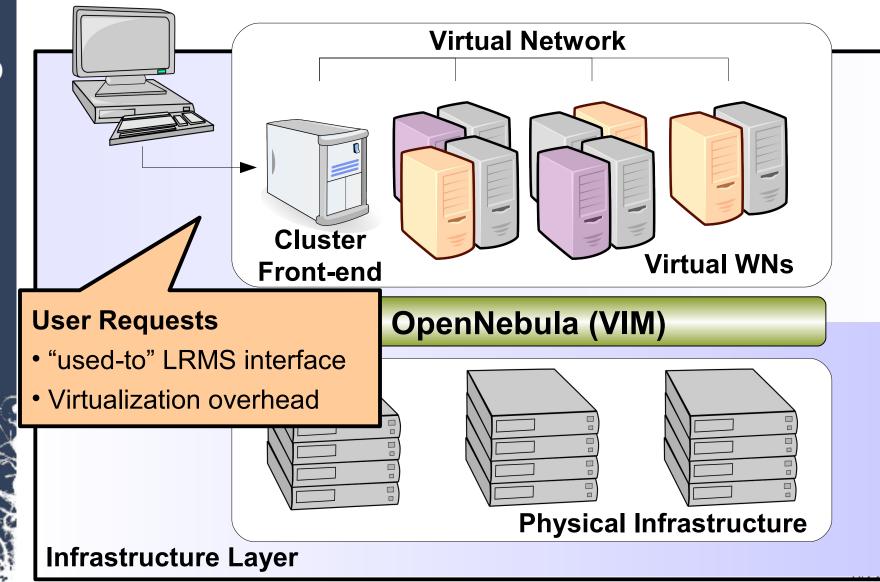
- Flexible & Open Design
 - Third-party components
 - Easily adapted & extended
- Management of Virtual Services
 - Image, Network & Context
- Integrated with cloud providers
- Open Source Apache2
- Included in Ubuntu 9.04 (server)

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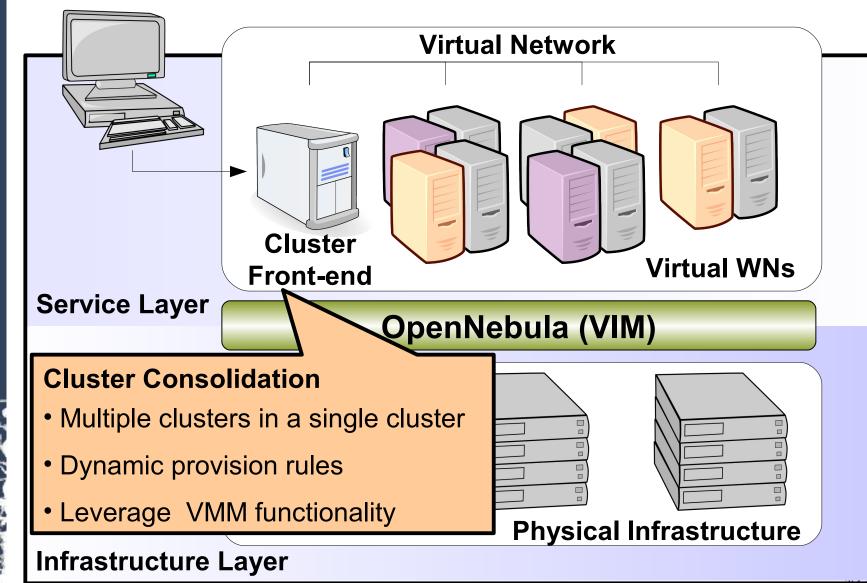


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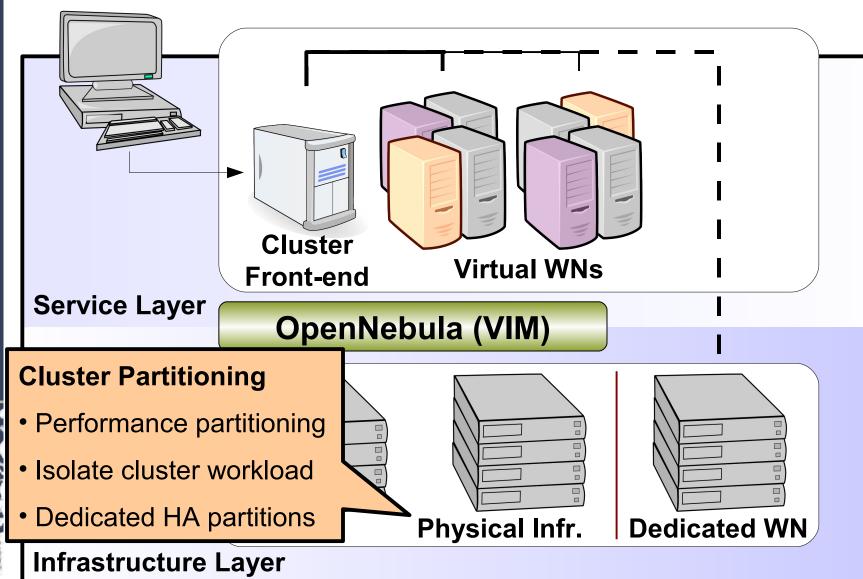




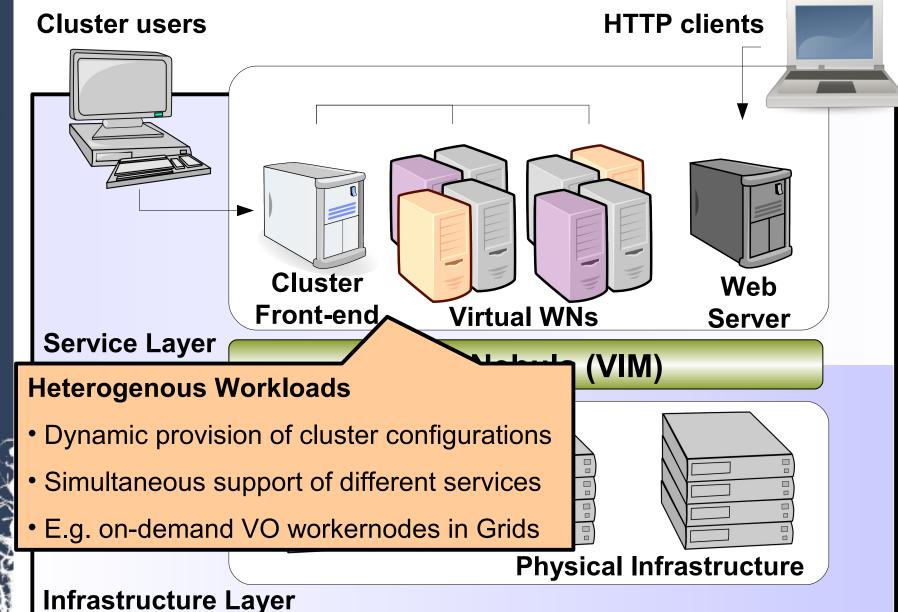
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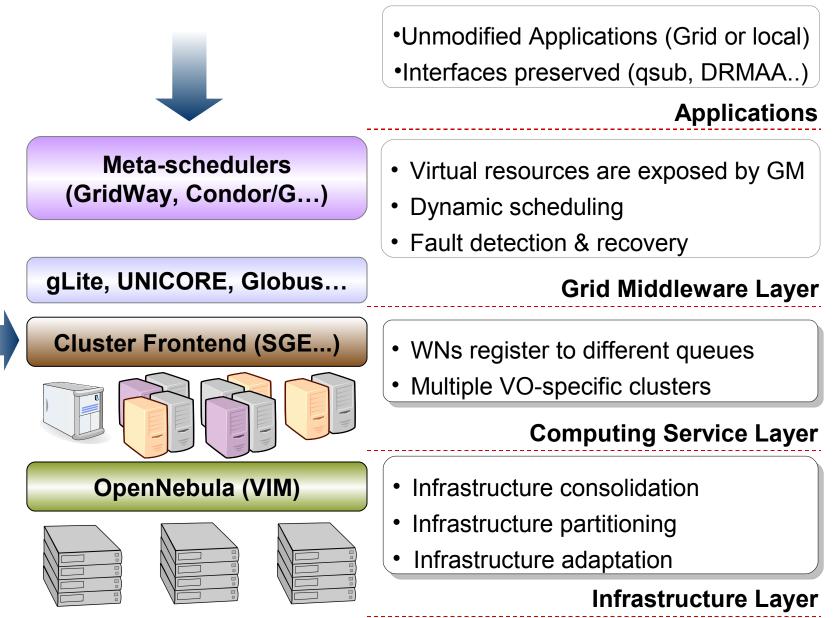


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A Complete Grid Middleware Stack

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Cloud Computing, An Infrastructure View

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A Service to Provide Hardware on Demand (laaS)

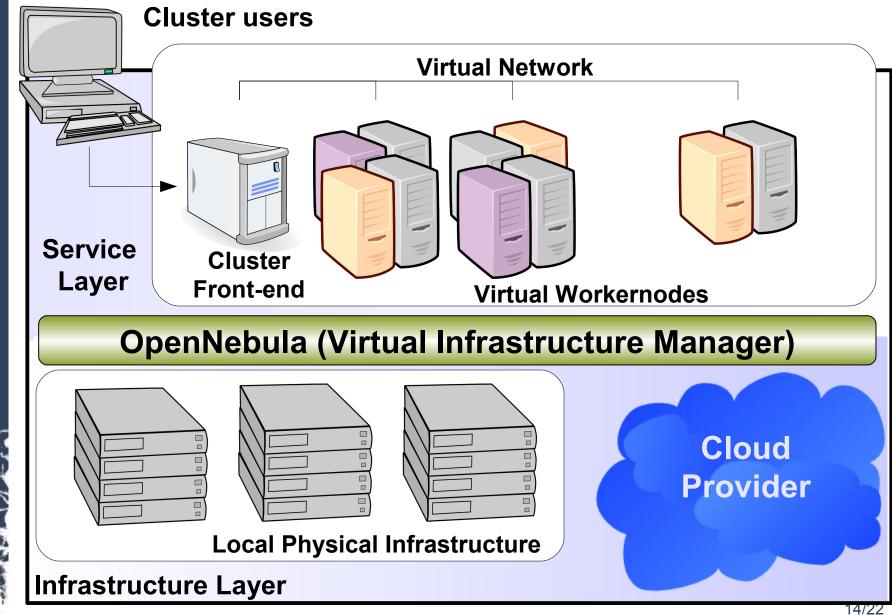
- Cloud systems provide virtualized resources as a service
- On-demand access to infrastructure (through VMs, and not jobs)
 - Simple Web interface (REST)
 - Virtualization
 - Pay-as-you-go
 - Elastic & "infinite" capacity

Infrastructure Cloud Services

- Commercial Cloud Providers: Amazon EC2, GoGrid, Elastic Hosts...
- Open Source Cloudn Toolkits: Nimbus, Eucalyptus

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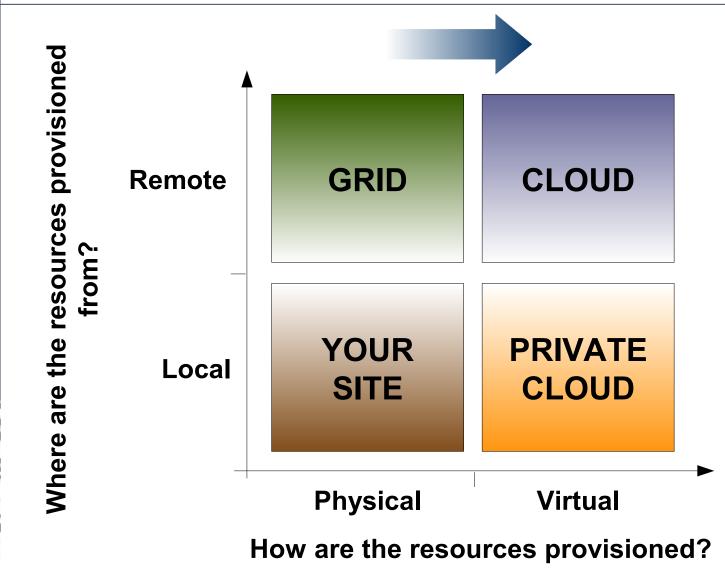




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The Infrastructure Quadrant





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About the Clouds to Support Grids

- Virtualization, cloud, and grid are complementary technologies and will coexist and cooperate at different levels of abstraction
- Virtualization can solve many obstacles for Grid adoption
- Virtualization and cloud do NOT require any modification within service layers (end-user perspective)
- Separation between service and infrastructure layers will allow the application of the utility model to scientific computing *in any form.*

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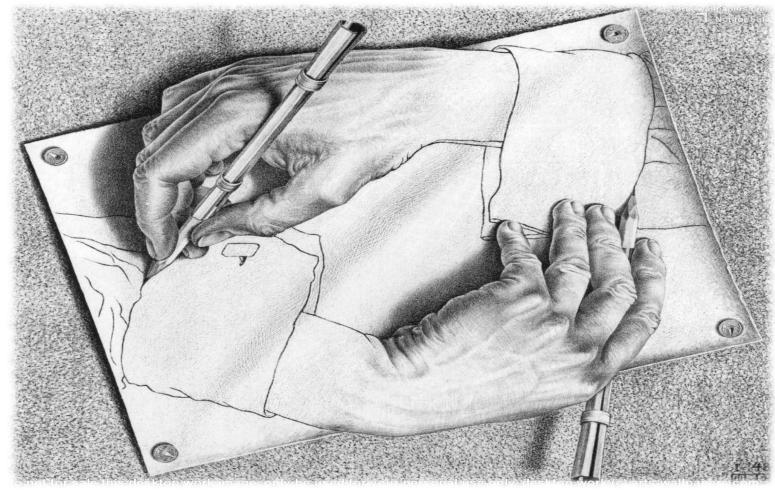


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