Future Grid Tutorial

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Acknowledgment: People

- Many people have worked on FuturGrid and we will not be able to list all of them here.
- We will attempt to keep a list available on the portal Web site.
- Many others have contributed to this tutorial!!
  - Thanks!!
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  – We like to make sure the impact on the environment due to use of paper and ink is minimal
  – We intend to keep the tutorials up to date on the Web site at https://portal.futuregrid.org
Technology Previews

- Some material presented here is not available to the general user community and is potentially still under development. We show however some technology previews in order to provide you with some exciting new features that we are currently working on. Slides referring to the reviews are marked with the following icon:
Outline

• Getting Access
• Overview of FutureGrid
• Future Grid Services
  – HPC/MPI on FutureGrid
  – Eucalyptus on FutureGrid
  – Nimbus on FutureGrid
  – Appliances on FutureGrid
  – Unicore
  – Genesis II

• Rain on FutureGrid
  – Image Generation
  – Image Deployment

• In Future
  – Pegasus
  – Hadoop
  – OpenStack
  – OpenNebula
Getting Access to FutureGrid

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Portal Account, Projects, and System Accounts

• The main entry point to get access to the systems and services is the FutureGrid Portal.
• We distinguish the portal account from system and service accounts.
  – You may have multiple system accounts and may have to apply for them separately, e.g. Eucalyptus, Nimbus
  – Why several accounts:
    • Some services may not be important for you, so you will not need an account for all of them.
      – In future we may change this and have only one application step for all system services.
    • Some services may not be easily integratable in a general authentication framework
The Process: A new Project

• (1) get a portal account
  – portal account is approved

• (2) propose a project
  – project is approved

• (3) ask your partners for their portal account names and add them to your projects as members
  – No further approval needed

• (4) if you need an additional person being able to add members designate him as project manager (currently there can only be one).
  – No further approval needed

• You are in charge who is added or not!
  – Similar model as in Web 2.0 Cloud services, e.g. sourceforge
The Process: Join A Project

1. apply for Portal Account
   - portal account is approved
2. Communicate with your project lead which project to join and give him your portal account name
3. Next step done by project lead
   - The project lead will add you to the project
4. You are responsible to make sure the project lead adds you!
   - Similar model as in Web 2.0 Cloud services, e.g. sourceforge
Apply for a Portal Account

FutureGrid Portal

Home Page

FutureGrid is a distributed, high-performance test-bed that allows scientists to collaboratively develop and test innovative approaches to parallel, grid, and cloud computing.

The test-bed is composed of a set of distributed high-performance computing resources connected by a high-speed network (with adjustable performance via a network impairment device). Users can access the HPC resources as traditional batch clusters, a computational grid, or as highly configurable cloud resources where users can deploy their own virtual machines.

The flexibility in configuration of FutureGrid resources enables its use across a variety of research and education projects. To learn more about how to join FutureGrid, visit the “Getting Started” page.

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Apply for a Portal Account

User account

Create new account  Log in  Request new password

Username or e-mail address:

You may login with either your assigned username or your e-mail address.

Password:

The password field is case sensitive.

Log in using OpenID

Log in

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Apply for a Portal Account

Use a new account

1. Please fill in all the fields. Fields that have an asterisk (*) are required.
2. If possible, please use the email address from your organization, .edu for example. This could help speed up the verification process. Using emails from such as gmail, yahoo, hotmail may delay your account approval, or even get your application declined.
3. The minimum password length is 8.
4. Read the User Agreement by clicking 'Agree with the terms' to proceed.
5. Type the characters shown in the Captcha image into the textbox located near the end of the page.
6. Click 'Create new account' button to submit your account request. Then you should be able to log into the portal, but with very limited access until your account is approved.

Account information

Username:

Spaces are allowed; punctuation is not allowed except for periods, hyphens, and underscores.

E-mail address:

A valid e-mail address. All e-mails from the system will be sent to this address. The e-mail address is not made public and will only be used if you wish to receive a new password or wish to receive certain news or notifications by e-mail.

Password:

Confirm password:

Please choose a password for your account. It must be at least 8 characters.

Contact

Firstname:

Lastname:

Choose a strong password.

Use e-mail from your organization.

Use proper capitalization.
Apply for a Portal Account

Please Fill Out:

- **Department / Organizational Unit / Division / Lab:**
- **University / Government Organization / Company:**
- **Institutional Role:**
- **Adviser's Contact Information:**
- **Institution Address:**
- **Institution Country:**
- **URL:**

Use the postal address, use proper capitalization.

Specify advisor or supervisors contact.

Use proper department and university.
Apply for a Portal Account

Please Fill Out.

Report your citizenship

READ THE RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENT

AGREE IF YOU DO. IF NOT CONTACT FG.

You may not be able to use it.

What code is in the image?:

Enter the characters shown in the image.

Create new account
Wait

• Wait till you get notified that you have a portal account.

• Now you have a portal account (cont.)
Apply for an HPC and Nimbus account

- Login into the portal
- Simple go to Accounts-> HPC&Nimbus
- (1) add you ssh keys
- (3) make sure you are in a valid project
- (2) wait for 24 business hours
  - (for tutorial users we accelerate)
  - No accounts will be granted between Friday 5pm EST – Monday 9 am EST
Check your Account Status

- **Goto:**
  - Accounts-My Portal Account
- Check if the account status bar is green
  - Errors will indicate an issue or a task that requires waiting
- Since you are already here:
  - Upload a portrait
  - Check if you have other things that need updating
  - Add ssh keys if needed
Wait

- Once you have everything green, you have an HPC and a Nimbus account.

- PROPAGATION OF THE ACCOUNTS TO NIMBUS CURRENTLY REQUIRES AN ADDITIONAL 30 – 60 minutes

- For the impatient please check your Portal account page

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Hours = Business hours!!!!!!!!!
Eucalyptus Account Creation

• Use the Eucalyptus Web Interfaces at
  
  https://eucalyptus.india.futuregrid.org:8443/

• On the Login page click on Apply for account.
• On the next page that pops up fill out ALL the Mandatory AND optional fields of the form.
• Once complete click on signup and the Eucalyptus administrator will be notified of the account request.
• You will get an email once the account has been approved.
• Click on the link provided in the email to confirm and complete the account creation process.
OVERVIEW OF FG

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FutureGrid key Issues

• FutureGrid will provide an experimental testbed with a wide variety of computing services to its users.
• The testbed provides to its users:
  ▪ A rich development and testing platform for middleware and application users allowing comparisons in functionality and performance.
  ▪ A variety of environments, many be instantiated dynamically, on demand. Available resources include, VMs, cloud, grid systems …
  ▪ The ability to reproduce experiments at a later time (an experiment is the basic unit of work on the FutureGrid).
  ▪ A rich education and teaching platform for advanced cyberinfrastructure
  ▪ The ability to collaborate with the US industry on research projects.
• Web Page: www.futuregrid.org
• E-mail: help@futuregrid.org.
• **HW Resources at:** Indiana University, SDSC, UC/ANL, TACC, University of Florida, Purdue, Purdue
• **Software Partners:** USC ISI, University of Tennessee Knoxville, University of Virginia, Technische Universität Dresden
• However, users of FG do not have to be from these partner organizations. Furthermore, we hope that new organizations in academia and industry can partner with the project in the future.
Current HW Overview

**FG Hardware Overview Table: Overview**

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<tr>
<th>Name</th>
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<th># Nodes</th>
<th># CPUs</th>
<th># Cores</th>
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<th>Total RAM (GB)</th>
<th>Secondary Storage (TB)</th>
<th>Site</th>
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* secondary storage between IU machines is shared

- Additional partner machines will run FutureGrid software and be supported (but allocated in specialized ways)
- (*) IU machines share same storage; (**) Shared memory and GPU Cluster in year 2

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# File Systems

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<th>Site</th>
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<td>Cray 2D Torus SeaStar</td>
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<td>Gigabit Ethernet only (Blade Network Technologies; Force10 switches)</td>
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<td>TACC Dell</td>
<td>alamo</td>
<td>QDR IB, Mellanox switches and adapters Dell Ethernet switches</td>
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Network Impairment Device

- Spirent XGEM Network Impairments Simulator for jitter, errors, delay, etc
- Full Bidirectional 10G w/64 byte packets
- up to 15 seconds introduced delay (in 16ns increments)
- 0-100% introduced packet loss in .0001% increments
- Packet manipulation in first 2000 bytes
- up to 16k frame size
- TCL for scripting, HTML for manual configuration
Software Architecture

Access Services
IaaS, PaaS, HPC, Persistent Endpoints, Portal, Support

Management Services
Image Management, Experiment Management, Monitoring and Information Services

Operations Services
Security & Accounting Services, Development Services

Systems Services and Fabric
Base Software and Services, FutureGrid Fabric, Development and Support Resources
Portal

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Portal Subsystem

Portal Subsystem

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Information Services

• What is happening on the system?
  o System administrator
  o User
  o Project Management & Funding agency

• Remember FG is not just an HPC queue!
  o Which software is used?
  o Which images are used?
  o Which FG services are used (Nimbus, Eucalyptus, ...?)
  o Is the performance we expect reached?
  o What happens on the network

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# Simple Overview

## Machine Partition Information *

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<th>Eucalyptus</th>
<th>Nimbus</th>
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<td><strong>IU-INDIA</strong></td>
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<td>(1416 cores)</td>
<td>(832 cores)</td>
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<td><strong>IU-XRAY</strong></td>
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<td>46.4%</td>
<td>17.9%</td>
<td>23.8%</td>
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<td>(672 cores)</td>
<td>(312 cores)</td>
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<td>(160 cores)</td>
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<td>(256 cores)</td>
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*A small percentage of nodes may be unavailable or used for management*

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Eucalyptus

This graph shows the number of currently running VMs within the Eucalyptus deployment on each machine.

Running VMs

This graph shows the number of users currently running VMs within the Eucalyptus deployment on each machine.

Users
Ganglia
On India
Using HPC Systems on FutureGrid

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A brief overview

• FutureGrid is a testbed
  o Varied resources with varied capabilities
  o Support for grid, cloud, HPC
  o Continually evolving
  o Sometimes breaks in strange and unusual ways

• FutureGrid as an experiment
  o We’re learning as well
  o Adapting the environment to meet user needs

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Getting Started

• Getting an account
• Logging in
• Setting up your environment
• Writing a job script
• Looking at the job queue
• Why won’t my job run?
• Getting your job to run sooner

http://portal.futuregrid.org/manual
http://portal.futuregrid.org/tutorials
Getting an account

• Upload your ssh key to the portal, if you have not done that when you created the portal account
  o Account -> Portal Account
    ▪ edit the ssh key
    ▪ or
      ▪ Include the public portion of your SSH key!
      ▪ use a passphrase when generating the key!!!!!!

• Submit your ssh key through the portal
  o Account -> HPC

• This process may take up to 3 days.
  o If it’s been longer than a week, send email
  o We do not do any account management over weekends!

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Generating an SSH key pair

• For Mac or Linux users
  - `ssh-keygen -t rsa`
  - Copy `~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub` to the web form

• For Windows users, this is more difficult
  - Download `putty.exe` and `puttygen.exe`
  - Puttygen is used to generate an SSH key pair
    - Run `puttygen` and click “Generate”
  - The public portion of your key is in the box labeled “SSH key for pasting into OpenSSH authorized_keys file”
Logging in

- You must be logging in from a machine that has your SSH key
- Use the following command (on Linux/OSX):
  - ssh username@india.futuregrid.org
- Substitute your FutureGrid account for username
Now you are logged in. What is next?
Setting up your environment

• Modules is used to manage your $PATH and other environment variables
• A few common module commands
  o module avail – lists all available modules
  o module list – lists all loaded modules
  o module load – adds a module to your environment
  o module unload – removes a module from your environment
  o module clear – removes all modules from your environment

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Writing a job script

- A job script has PBS directives followed by the commands to run your job

```bash
#!/bin/bash
#PBS -N testjob
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=8
#PBS –q batch
#PBS –M username@example.com
#PBS –o testjob.out
#PBS -j oe

sleep 60
hostname
echo $PBS_NODEFILE
cat $PBS_NODEFILE
sleep 60
```
Writing a job script

• Use the qsub command to submit your job
  o qsub testjob.pbs

• Use the qstat command to check your job

> qsub testjob.pbs
25265.i136

> qstat

<table>
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<td>R</td>
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Looking at the job queue

- Both `qstat` and `showq` can be used to show what’s running on the system.
- The `showq` command gives nicer output.
- The `pbsnodes` command will list all nodes and details about each node.
- The `checknode` command will give extensive details about a particular node.

Run `module load moab` to add commands to path.

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Why won’t my job run?

• Two common reasons:
  o The cluster is full and your job is waiting for other jobs to finish
  o You asked for something that doesn’t exist
    ▪ More CPUs or nodes than exist
  o The job manager is optimistic!
    ▪ If you ask for more resources than we have, the job manager will sometimes hold your job until we buy more hardware

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Why won’t my job run?

- Use the checkjob command to see why your job will not run

```
> checkjob 319285

job 319285
Name: testjob
State: Idle
Creds: user:gpike group:users class:batch qos:od
WallTime: 00:00:00 of 4:00:00
SubmitTime: Wed Dec 1 20:01:42
(Time Queued Total: 00:03:47 Eligible: 00:03:26)
Total Requested Tasks: 320
Req[0] TaskCount: 320 Partition: ALL
Partition List: ALL,s82,SHARED,msm
Flags: RESTARTABLE
Attr: checkpoint
StartPriority: 3
NOTE: job cannot run (insufficient available procs: 312 available)
```
Why won’t my job run?

• If you submitted a job that cannot run, use qdel to delete the job, fix your script, and resubmit the job
  o qdel 319285
• If you think your job should run, leave it in the queue and send email
• It’s also possible that maintenance is coming up soon
Making your job run sooner

• In general, specify the minimal set of resources you need
  o Use minimum number of nodes
  o Use the job queue with the shortest max walltime
    ▪ qstat -Q -f
  o Specify the minimum amount of time you need for the job
    ▪ qsub -l walltime=hh:mm:ss
Example with MPI

• Run through a simple example of an MPI job
  – Ring algorithm passes messages along to each process as a chain or string
  – Use Intel compiler and mpi to compile & run
  – Hands on experience with PBS scripts
#PBS -N hello-mvapich-intel
#PBS -l nodes=4:ppn=8
#PBS -l walltime=00:02:00
#PBS -k oe
#PBS -j oe

EXE=$HOME/mpiring/mpiring

echo "Started on `/bin/hostname`"

module load intel intelmpi

mpdboot -n 4 -f $PBS_NODEFILE -v --remcons

mpiexec -n 32 $EXE

mpdallexit
## Lets Run

```
> cp /share/project/mpiexample/mpiring.tar.gz .
> tar xfvz mpiring.tar.gz
> cd mpiring
> module load intel intelmpi moab

Intel compiler suite version 11.1/072 loaded
Intel MPI version 4.0.0.028 loaded
moab version 5.4.0 loaded

> mpicc -o mpiring ./mpiring.c
> qsub mpiring.pbs
100506.i136

> cat ~/hello-mvapich-intel.o100506

...```
Eucalyptus on FutureGrid

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Before you can use Eucalyptus

• Please make sure you have a portal account
  o https://portal.futuregrid.org
• Please make sure you are part of a valid FG project
  o You can either create a new one or
  o You can join an existing one with permission of the Lead
• Please make sure the project you have is approved and valid.
• Do not apply for an account before you have joined the project, your Eucalyptus account request will not be granted!
Eucalyptus

• Elastic Utility Computing Architecture
Linking Your Programs To Useful Systems
  o Eucalyptus is an open-source software platform that implements IaaS-style cloud computing using the existing Linux-based infrastructure
  o IaaS Cloud Services providing atomic allocation for
    ▪ Set of VMs
    ▪ Set of Storage resources
    ▪ Networking

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Open Source Eucalyptus

• **Eucalyptus Features**
  - Amazon AWS Interface Compatibility
  - Web-based interface for cloud configuration and credential management.
  - Flexible Clustering and Availability Zones.
  - Network Management, Security Groups, Traffic Isolation
    - Elastic IPs, Group based firewalls etc.
  - Cloud Semantics and Self-Service Capability
    - Image registration and image attribute manipulation
  - Bucket-Based Storage Abstraction (S3-Compatible)
  - Block-Based Storage Abstraction (EBS-Compatible)
  - Xen and KVM Hypervisor Support

Source: http://www.eucalyptus.com
Eucalyptus Testbed

- Eucalyptus is available to FutureGrid Users on the India and Sierra clusters.
- Users can make use of a maximum of 50 nodes on India. Each node supports up to 8 small VMs. Different Availability zones provide VMs with different compute and memory capacities.

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Eucalyptus Account Creation

- Use the Eucalyptus Web Interfaces at
  
  https://eucalyptus.india.futuregrid.org:8443/

- On the Login page click on Apply for account.
- On the next page that pops up fill out ALL the Mandatory AND optional fields of the form.
- Once complete click on signup and the Eucalyptus administrator will be notified of the account request.
- You will get an email once the account has been approved.
- Click on the link provided in the email to confirm and complete the account creation process.
Obtaining Credentials

• Download your credentials as a zip file from the web interface for use with euca2ools.
• Save this file and extract it for local use or copy it to India/Sierra.
• On the command prompt change to the euca2-{username}-x509 folder which was just created.
  o cd euca2-{username}-x509
• Source the eucarc file using the command source eucarc.
  o source ./eucarc
Install/Load Euca2ools

• Euca2ools are the command line clients used to interact with Eucalyptus.
• If using your own platform Install euca2ools bundle from
  http://open.eucalyptus.com/downloads
  • Instructions for various Linux platforms are available on the download page.
• On FutureGrid log on to India/Sierra and load the Euca2ools module.

$ module load euca2ools
euca2ools version 1.2 loaded
Euca2ools

• Testing your setup
  o Use euca-describe-availability-zones to test the setup.
• List the existing images using euca-describe-images

```
euca-describe-availability-zones
AVAILABILITYZONE india 149.165.146.135
```

```
$ euca-describe-images
IMAGE emi-0B951139 centos53/centos.5-3.x86-64.img.manifest.xml admin available public x86_64 machine
IMAGE emi-409D0D73 rhel55/rhel55.img.manifest.xml admin available public x86_64 machine
...
```
Key management

• Create a keypair and add the public key to eucalyptus.
  
  ```
  $ euca-add-keypair userkey > userkey.pem
  ```

• Fix the permissions on the generated private key.
  
  ```
  $ chmod 0600 userkey.pem
  ```

  ```
  $ euca-describe-keypairs
  KEYPAIR userkey 0d:d8:7c:2c:bd:85:af:7e:ad:8d:
  09:b8:ff:b0:54:d5:8c:66:86:5d
  ```
Image Deployment

• Now we are ready to start a VM using one of the pre-existing images.
• We need the emi-id of the image that we wish to start. This was listed in the output of euca-describe-images command that we saw earlier.
  o We use the euca-run-instances command to start the VM.

$ euca-run-instances -k userkey -n 1 emi-0B951139 -t c1.medium
RESERVATION r-4E730969 archit archit-default
INSTANCE i-4FC40839 emi-0B951139 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 pending userkey
2010-07-20T20:35:47.015Z eki-78EF12D2 eri-5BB61255
Monitoring

• euca-describe-instances shows the status of the VMs.

$ euca-describe-instances
RESERVATION r-4E730969 archit default
INSTANCE i-4FC40839 emi-0B951139 149.165.146.153 10.0.2.194 pending
userkey 0 m1.small 2010-07-20T20:35:47.015Z india eki-78EF12D2
eri-5BB61255

• Shortly after...

$ euca-describe-instances
RESERVATION r-4E730969 archit default
INSTANCE i-4FC40839 emi-0B951139 149.165.146.153 10.0.2.194 running
userkey 0 m1.small 2010-07-20T20:35:47.015Z india eki-78EF12D2
eri-5BB61255

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VM Access

• First we must create rules to allow access to the VM over ssh.

  euca-authorize -P tcp -p 22 -s 0.0.0.0/0 default

• The ssh private key that was generated earlier can now be used to login to the VM.

  ssh -i userkey.pem root@149.165.146.153
Image Deployment (1/3)

• We will use the example Fedora 10 image to test uploading images.
  o Download the gzipped tar ball

```bash
```

• Uncompress and Untar the archive

```bash
tar zxf euca-fedora-10-x86_64.tar.gz
```
Image Deployment (2/3)

- Next we bundle the image with a kernel and a ramdisk using the euca-bundle-image command.
  - We will use the xen kernel already registered.
    - euca-describe-images returns the kernel and ramdisk IDs that we need.

```bash
$ euca-bundle-image -i euca-fedora-10-x86_64/fedora.10.x86-64.img --kernel eki-78EF12D2 --ramdisk eri-5BB61255
```

- Use the generated manifest file to upload the image to Walrus

```bash
$ euca-upload-bundle -b fedora-image-bucket -m /tmp/fedora.10.x86-64.img.manifest.xml
```

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Image Deployment (3/3)

• Register the image with Eucalyptus

`euca-register fedora-image-bucket/fedora.10.x86-64.img.manifest.xml`

• This returns the image ID which can also be seen using `euca-describe-images`

```
$ euca-describe-images
IMAGE emi-FFC3154F fedora-image-bucket/fedora.10.x86-64.img.manifest.xml archit available public x86_64 machine
  eri-5BB61255 eki-78EF12D2
IMAGE emi-0B951139 centos53/centos.5-3.x86-64.img.manifest.xml
  admin available public x86_64 machine ...
```

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Dynamic Provisioning & RAIN on FutureGrid

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Classical Dynamic Provisioning

- Dynamically partition a set of resources
- Dynamically allocate the resources to users
- Dynamically define the environment that the resource use
- Dynamically assign them based on user request
- Deallocate the resources so they can be dynamically allocated again

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Use Cases of Dynamic Provisioning

• Static provisioning:
  o Resources in a cluster may be statically reassigned based on the anticipated user requirements, part of an HPC or cloud service. It is still dynamic, but control is with the administrator. (Note some call this also dynamic provisioning.)

• Automatic Dynamic provisioning:
  o Replace the administrator with intelligent scheduler.

• Queue-based dynamic provisioning:
  o provisioning of images is time consuming, group jobs using a similar environment and reuse the image. User just sees queue.

• Deployment:
  o dynamic provisioning features are provided by a combination of using XCAT and Moab
Generic Reprovisioning

User → Queue → Resources → Information_Service → Repository

submit(job,image)

Reprovision

hasImage = check(image)

[!hasImage] reprovision(image)

Image provisioned

Execute

execute(job)

job completed

Image provisioned

job completed

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Dynamic Provisioning

Examples

• Give me a virtual cluster with 30 nodes based on Xen
• Give me 15 KVM nodes each in Chicago and Texas linked to Azure and Grid5000
• Give me a Eucalyptus environment with 10 nodes
• Give 32 MPI nodes running on first Linux and then Windows
• Give me a Hadoop environment with 160 nodes
• Give me a 1000 BLAST instances linked to Grid5000

• Run my application on Hadoop, Dryad, Amazon and Azure … and compare the performance
From Dynamic Provisioning to “RAIN”

• In FG dynamic provisioning goes beyond the services offered by common scheduling tools that provide such features.
  o Dynamic provisioning in FutureGrid means more than just providing an image
  o adapts the image at runtime and provides besides IaaS, PaaS, also SaaS
  o We call this “raining” an environment

• Rain = Runtime Adaptable INsertion Configurator
  o Users want to "rain" an HPC, a Cloud environment, or a virtual network onto our resources with little effort.
  o Command line tools supporting this task.
  o Integrated into Portal

• Example "rain" a Hadoop environment defined by an user on a cluster.
  o fg-hadoop -n 8 -app myHadoopApp.jar …
  o Users and administrators do not have to set up the Hadoop environment as it is being done for them
FG RAIN Commands

- `fg-rain -h hostfile -iaas nimbus -image img`
- `fg-rain -h hostfile -paas hadoop ...
- `fg-rain -h hostfile -paas dryad ...
- `fg-rain -h hostfile -gaas gLite ...

- `fg-rain -h hostfile -image img`

- Additional Authorization is required to use fg-rain without virtualization.

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Rain in FutureGrid
Image Generation and Management on FutureGrid

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The goal is to create and maintain platforms in custom FG VMs that can be retrieved, deployed, and provisioned on demand.

Imagine the following scenario for FutureGrid:

- `fg-image-generate --o ubuntu --v lucid -s openmpi-bin,openmpi-dev,gcc,fftw2,emacs -- n ubuntu-mpi-dev`
- `fg-image-store --i ajyounge-338373292.manifest.xml --n ubuntu-mpi-dev`
- `fg-image-deploy --e india.futuregrid.org --i /tmp/ajyounge-338373292.manifest.xml`
- `fg-rain --provision -n 32 ubuntu-mpi-dev`
Image Management

- A unified Image Management system to create and maintain VM and bare-metal images.
- Integrate images through a repository to instantiate services on demand with RAIN.
- Essentially enables the rapid development and deployment of Platform services on FutureGrid infrastructure.
Image Generation

- Users who want to create a new FG image specify the following:
  - OS type
  - OS version
  - Architecture
  - Kernel
  - Software Packages
- Image is generated, then deployed to specified target.
- Deployed image gets continuously scanned, verified, and updated.
- Images are now available for use on the target deployed system.
Implementation

• Image Generator
  o Still in development, but alpha available now.
  o Built in Python.
  o Debootstrap for debian & ubuntu, YUM for RHEL5, CentOS, & Fedora.
  o Simple CLI now, but later incorporate a web service to support the FG Portal.
  o Deployment to Eucalyptus & Bare metal now, Nimbus and others soon.

• Image Management
  o Currently operating an experimental BCFG2 server.
  o Image Generator auto-creates new user groups for software stacks.
  o Supporting RedHat and Ubuntu repo mirrors.
  o Scalability experiments of BCFG2 to be tested, but previous work shows scalability to thousands of VMs without problems.

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Image Repository on FutureGrid

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Image Repository

- Image Repository Client
  - Portal
  - CLI
- Provisioning Subsystem
  - RAIN
- Performance Subsystem

- Image Repository Service Interface

- FG Security

- Image Repository Functionality
  - Image usage information and user activity log
  - Image attribute configuration
  - Image management (upload, register, retrieve, remove, ...)
  - Image metadata management (get, update, ...)
  - User quota configuration

- Metadata Store
- Image Repository Storage and Access
- Image Store

- 3rd Party Image Store

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Image Generation and Management on FutureGrid: A practical Example

Presented by
Gregor von Laszewski
Deployed Infrastructure

1. IM Client
   - Portal
   - CLI

2. Gen. Server
   - EC2 Interface
   - OpenNebula
   - Deploy VM and Gen. Img

3. BCFG2 Server
   - Register Img

4. Return Img

5. Deploy Img

6. Img Info

Deploy Server
   - HPC
   - IaaS
Generating an Image (I)

• Generate an Centos image with several packages
  – fg-image-generate-client.py –o centos –v 5.6 –a x86_64 –s emacs, openmpi –u javi

• The output is a tgz file that contains
  – Image file
  – Manifest file
    • Username, image name, os, architecture, package list
Generate Image (II)

• Log Client side:

2011-05-17 20:32:42,727 - root - INFO - Image generator client...
2011-05-17 20:32:42,728 - root - INFO - ssh fg-image-gen-server '/srv/cloud/one/fg-management/fg-image-generate-server.py -a x86_64 -o centos -v 5.6 -u javi --s emacs, openmpi' > /tmp/1305678762.733906384900
2011-05-17 20:39:35,171 - root - INFO - Retrieving the image
2011-05-17 20:46:21,864 - root - INFO - Post processing
Generate Image (III)

• Log Server side:

2011-05-13 14:50:36,229 - root - INFO - Image generator server...
2011-05-13 14:50:36,229 - root - INFO - The VM deployed is in 192.168.1.24
2011-05-13 14:50:36,229 - root - INFO - **Mount scratch directory in the VM**
2011-05-13 14:50:36,229 - root - INFO - ssh -q root@192.168.1.24 mount -t nfs 192.168.1.6:/srv/scratch/ /media/
2011-05-13 14:50:36,535 - root - INFO - **Sending fg-image-generate.py to the VM**
2011-05-13 14:50:36,877 - root - INFO - ssh root@192.168.1.24 -q '/root/fg-image-generate.py -a x86_64 -o centos -v 5.6 -u javi --s emacs, openmpi -t /media/ ' > /tmp/1305312636.882202999127
Generate Image (IV)

- Log VM side:

2011-05-17 21:52:55,065 - root - INFO - Starting image generator...
2011-05-17 21:52:55,065 - root - INFO - Building Centos 5.6 image
2011-05-17 21:52:55,065 - centos - INFO - Generation Image: centos-5.6-x86_64-base.img
2011-05-17 21:52:55,065 - centos - INFO - Creating Disk for the image
2011-05-17 21:52:58,752 - centos - INFO - Mounting new image
2011-05-17 21:52:58,800 - centos - INFO - Getting appropriate release package
2011-05-17 21:52:58,801 - exec - DEBUG - wget http://mirror.centos.org/centos/5.6/os/x86_64/CentOS/centos-release-5-6.el5.centos.1.x86_64.rpm -O /media/centos-release.rpm
2011-05-17 21:53:00,414 - exec - DEBUG - rpm -ihv --nodeps --root /media/javi-3058834494 /media/centos-release.rpm
2011-05-17 21:53:00,645 - exec - DEBUG - yum --installroot=/media/javi-3058834494 -y groupinstall Core
Generate Image (V)

• Log VM side (cont.):

2011-05-17 21:57:24,786 - centos - INFO - Installing LDAP packages
2011-05-17 21:57:48,159 - centos - INFO - Configuring LDAP access
2011-05-17 21:57:48,390 - centos - INFO - Injected networking configuration
2011-05-17 21:57:48,812 - centos - INFO - Installing user-defined packages
2011-05-17 21:57:52,689 - centos - INFO - Generated centos image javi-3058834494 successfully!
Image Deployment

• Deploy the VM for HPC (xCAT)
  – ./fg-image-deploy.py -x tm1r -s th1r -t /media/disk/scratch -i javi-3058834494.tgz -u jdiaz

• Output
  – The image is deployed and register in xCAT
  – The image is available for dynamic provisioning
    • qsub –l os=imagename job.sh
Image Deployment (II)

• Log Client side:

2011-05-16 12:31:01,196 - root - INFO - Starting image deployer...
2011-05-16 12:31:01,197 - root - INFO - untar file with image and manifest
2011-05-16 12:31:16,029 - root - INFO - Mounting image...
2011-05-16 12:31:18,076 - root - INFO - Compressing image
2011-05-16 12:32:52,039 - exec - INFO - Umounting image...
2011-05-16 12:32:52,283 - exec - DEBUG - scp /tmp/javi-3058834494/rootimg.gz jdiaz@th1r:/media/disk/scratch/javi-3058834494.gz
Image Deployment (III)

• Log Server side:

2011-05-16 17:08:14,525 - root - INFO - Accepted new connection
3058834494/x86_64/compute/
2011-05-16 17:08:14,527 - exec - DEBUG - mv /media/disk/scratch/javi-3058834494.gz /install/netboot/centos.javi. 3058834494/x86_64/compute/rootimg.gz
3058834494/x86_64/compute/rootimg
2011-05-16 17:08:19,615 - exec – INFO – Get Kernel and Initrd
2011-05-16 17:08:19,808 - exec - DEBUG - packimage -o centos.javi. 3058834494 -p compute -a x86_64
Boot Image using xCAT via Nodeset

- nodeset tc1 netboot=centos.javi.3058834494-x86_64-compute
- rpower tc1 boot
- Output
  - The image is booted in tc1 machine
- Check status
  - nodestat tc1
  - rcons tc1
Boot Image using Moab/xCAT

- qsub -l os=centos.javi.3058834494-x86_64-compute testjob.sh

- Output
  - The image is booted in a machine

- Check status
  - showq, checkjob <jobid>
Image Generation with the Portal
Image Generation with the Portal

FutureGrid Portal

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**Choose OS**
- OS: CentOS 7
- Version: 5
- Arch: x86_64

**Choose Software Stacks/Packages**
- Available packages:
  - Hadoop on FutureGrid
  - SAGA on FutureGrid
  - SciDB on FutureGrid
  - emacs
  - latex

- Description
- Descriptions of the package
- Selected packages
Image Generation with the Portal
Image Generation with the Portal
FutureGrid Tutorial: An Introduction to Nimbus

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www.nimbusproject.org
An Introduction to Nimbus

Overview of the Nimbus Project
- How Nimbus works
- Software, Features, and Community

Hands-on Tutorial Exercises
- Download Nimbus cloud client
- Connect to Nimbus on FutureGrid
- Launch VMs!

FutureGrid Nimbus Use Case
Nimbus Components

High-quality, extensible, customizable, open source implementation

**Nimbus Platform**
- Context Broker
- Nimbus Clients
- Elastic Scaling Tools

*Enable users to use IaaS clouds*

**Nimbus Infrastructure**
- Workspace Service
- Cumulus

*Enable providers to build IaaS clouds*

*Enable developers to extend, experiment and customize*
Nimbus IaaS: How it Works
Nimbus IaaS: How it Works

Nimbus publishes information about each VM

Users can find out information about their VM (e.g. what IP the VM was bound to)

Users can interact directly with their VM in the same way the would with a physical machine.
Nimbus Infrastructure: a Highly-Configurable IaaS Architecture

Workspace Interfaces
- EC2 SOAP
- EC2 Query
- WSRF

Workspace API

Workspace Service Implementation

Workspace RM options
- Default
- Default+backfill/spot
- Workspace pilot

Workspace Control Protocol

Workspace Control
- Virtualization (libvirt) - Xen, KVM
- Image Mngm - ssh, LANtorrent
- Network
- Ctx

Cumulus interfaces
- S3

Cumulus API

Cumulus Service Implementation

Cumulus Storage API

Cumulus Implementation options
- POSIX
- HDFS

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Nimbus Platform: Working with Hybrid Clouds

Creating Common Context
Allow users to build turnkey dynamic virtual clusters

Nimbus Elastic Provisioning
interoperability automatic scaling
HA provisioning policies

private clouds (e.g., FNAL)
community clouds (e.g., Science Clouds)
public clouds (e.g., EC2)
Nimbus Infrastructure Highlights
Cumulus: a Scalable Storage Cloud

- **Challenge:** a scalable storage cloud
- S3-compatible open source implementation
- Quota support for scientific users
- Pluggable back-end to various technologies such as POSIX, HDFS, Sector, BlobSeer
- Configurable to take advantage of multiple servers
- John Bresnahan will present a paper at ScienceCloud ’11 (HPDC)
LANTorrent: Fast Image Deployment

- **Challenge:** make image deployment faster
- Moving images is the main component of VM deployment
- LANTorrent: the BitTorrent principle on a LAN
- Streaming
- Minimizes congestion at the switch
- Detecting and eliminating duplicate transfers
- **Bottom line:** a thousand VMs in 10 minutes
- Nimbus release 2.6

Preliminary data using the Magellan resource At Argonne National Laboratory
Backfill: Lower the Cost of Your Cloud

• **Challenge:** utilization, catch-22 of on-demand computing

• **Solutions:**
  – Backfill
  – Spot pricing

• **Bottom line:** up to 100% utilization

• **Nimbus release 2.7**
Nimbus Platform Highlights: Coming Down the Assembly Line
Elasticity, Reliability and Failure

Elasticity and reliability are different sides of the same coin.

- 2008: The ALICE proof-of-concept
- 2009: ElasticSite prototype
- 2009: OOI pilot

Need for generic, HA, elastic service model

Paper: "Elastic Site", CCGrid 2010
Elasticity, Reliability and Failure

• Assumption: a workload queue
  – ALiEn, PBS, AMQP,…
• React to sensor information
  – Queue properties a sensor
• Scale to demand
  – Across different cloud providers
  – Use contextualization to integrate machines across hybrid clouds
  – Highly Available
  – Scalable: latest tests scale to 100s of nodes on EC2, target is thousands

• **Coming in Nimbus 3**
Cloudinit.d

• Repeatable deployment of sets of VMs
• Coordinates launches via attributes
• Works with multiple IaaS providers
• User-defined launch tests (assertions)
• Test-based monitoring
• Policy-driven repair of a launch

**Coming in Nimbus 3**
Resources, Applications and Ecosystem
Scientific Cloud Resources

- **Science Clouds**
  - UC, UFL, Wispy@Purdue
  - ~300 cores
- **Magellan**
  - DOE cloud @ ANL&LBNL
  - ~4000 cores@ANL
- **FutureGrid**
  - ~6000 cores
- **DIAG =**
  - Data Intensive Academic Grid
  - U of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore
  - ~1200-1500 cores
- **Outside of US:**
  - WestGrid, Grid5000
• STAR: a nuclear physics experiment at Brookhaven National Laboratory

• Approach:
  – Nimbus Science Clouds
  – EC2 runs
  – Virtual OSG clusters with Nimbus Context Broker

• Impact:
  – Production runs on EC2 since 2007
  – The Quark Matter 2009 deadline: producing just-in-time results

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**Priceless?**

- **Compute costs:** $5,630.30
  - Edfsf 300+ nodes over ~10 days,
  - Instances, 32-bit, 1.7 GB memory:
    - EC2 default: 1 EC2 CPU unit
    - High-CPU Medium Instances: 5 EC2 CPU units (2 cores)
  - ~36,000 compute hours total
- **Data transfer costs:** $136.38
  - Small I/O needs: moved <1TB of data over duration
- **Storage costs:** $4.69
  - Images only, all data transferred at run-time
- Producing the result before the deadline...

$5,771.37
• The emergent need for processing
• A virtual appliance for automated and portable sequence analysis
• Approach:
  – Running on Nimbus Science Clouds, Magellan and EC2
  – A platform for building appliances representing push-button pipelines
• Impact
  – From desktop to cloud
  – http://clovr.org
• Detailed analysis of data from the MACHO experiment Dark Matter search
• Provide infrastructure for six observational astronomy survey projects

• Approach:
  – Running on a Nimbus cloud on WestGrid
  – Appliance creation and management
  – Dynamic Condor pool for astronomy

• Status:
  – In production operation since July 2010
Sky Computing

- Sky Computing = a Federation of Clouds

Approach:
- Combine resources obtained in multiple Nimbus clouds in FutureGrid and Grid’5000
- Combine Context Broker, ViNe, fast image deployment
- Deployed a virtual cluster of over 1000 cores on Grid5000 and FutureGrid – largest ever of this type

- Grid’5000 Large Scale Deployment Challenge award
- Demonstrated at OGF 29 06/10
- TeraGrid ’10 poster
- More at: www.isgtw.org/?pid=1002832

“Sky Computing”
IEEE Internet Computing, September 2009
• BarBar Experiment at SLAC in Stanford, CA
• Using clouds to simulate electron-positron collisions in their detector
• Exploring virtualization as a vehicle for data preservation
• Approach:
  – Appliance preparation and management
  – Distributed Nimbus clouds
  – Cloud Scheduler
• Running production BaBar workloads
Large NSF-funded observatory with requirements for adaptive, reliable, elastic computing

Approach:
- Private Nimbus regional clouds -> commercial clouds
- Highly Available (HA) services that provision resources on many clouds based on need
- Significant OOI CI infrastructure in data and sensor management based on this model

Status:
- Scalability and reliability tests on 100s of EC2, FutureGrid and Magellan resources
- HA elastic services release in Spring 2011
Nimbus Team
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- And many others
  - See http://www.nimbusproject.org/about/people/
Parting Thoughts

- Cloud Computing Challenge: Outsourcing
  - Benefits
    - Economy of scale, access to different resources, no operation overhead, more flexible use
  - Criteria
    - Does it provide the right offering? Is it scalable? Easy to use? Easy to outsource? Cost-effective?
  - Not all or nothing – but close

www.nimbusproject.org
www.scienceclouds.org/blog
Let’s make cloud computing for science happen.
Hands-on: Get on the Cloud

Tutorial Exercises
- Download Nimbus cloud client
- Connect to *hotel* on FutureGrid
- Download your credentials
- Launch VMs!

https://portal.futuregrid.org/tutorials/nimbus

http://www.nimbusproject.org/docs/2.7/clouds/cloudquickstart.html
FutureGrid Nimbus Case Study: Extending Nimbus to Support Backfill VMs

Paul Marshall
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Addressing Cloud Utilization

- **Challenge:** utilization, catch-22 of on-demand computing

- **Solutions:**
  - Backfill
  - Spot pricing
Extending Nimbus for Backfill

• Modify the Nimbus workspace service
  – Deploy backfill VMs on idle VMM nodes

• Requirements
  – Deploy and test a custom Nimbus service on a cloud frontend node
  – Integrate our custom Nimbus service with dedicated backend Nimbus VMM nodes
  – Evaluate our modified version of Nimbus in a real cloud environment
FutureGrid

• Used the *hotel* resource on FutureGrid to deploy a custom version of the Nimbus service
• Obtained a dedicated set of Nimbus VMM nodes (16 8-core nodes) for a limited amount of time to integrate with our modified Nimbus service
• Evaluated our modified version of Nimbus in a real cloud environment
100% Utilization

- Overlaid an on-demand Nimbus workload with Condor jobs running in backfill VMs
  - Demonstrated an increase in utilization from 37.5% to 100%
For more of the details...

Paper:

Improving Utilization of Infrastructure Clouds
Authors: Paul Marshall, Kate Keahey, Tim Freeman

Presentation:

Wednesday, May 25th
Track 1: 11:00am – 12:30pm
What is next?
Try out other things

- Unicore
- Genesis
- Contribute
Feedback

• For suggestions on how to improve the tutorial, please send mail to
  – laszewski@gmail.com

• For technical questions, please send e-mail to
  – help@futuregrid.org
Virtual Appliances
What is an appliance?

- Hardware/software appliances
  - TV receiver + computer + hard disk + Linux + user interface
  - Computer + network interfaces + FreeBSD + user interface
What is a virtual appliance?

• An appliance that packages software and configuration needed for a particular purpose into a virtual machine “image”
• The virtual appliance has no hardware – just software and configuration
• The image is a (big) file
• It can be instantiated on hardware
Virtual appliance example

- **Linux + Apache + MySQL + PHP**

LAMP image

A web server

Virtualization Layer

Another Web server

Copy

Instantiate

Repeat…
What about the network?

- Multiple Web servers might be completely independent from each other
- Parallel processing: workers are not
  - Need to communicate and coordinate with each other
  - Each worker needs an IP address, uses TCP/IP sockets
- Cluster middleware stacks assume a collection of machines, typically on a LAN (Local Area Network)
Virtual cluster appliances

- Virtual appliance + virtual network

MPI + Virtual Network

Virtual machine

Virtual network

An MPI node

Another MPI node

Repeat...
Background

• Virtual appliances
  – Encapsulate software environment in image
    • Virtual disk file(s) and virtual hardware configuration

• The Grid appliance
  – Encapsulates *cluster* software environments
    • Current examples: Condor, MPI, Hadoop
  – Homogeneous images at each node
  – *Virtual LAN* connecting nodes to form a cluster
  – Deploy within or across domains
Grid appliance in a nutshell

- Plug-and-play clusters with a pre-configured software environment
  - Linux + (Hadoop, Condor, MPI, ...)
  - Scripts for zero-configuration
  - "Virtual machine" appliance; open-source software runs on Linux, Windows, Mac

- Hands-on examples, bootstrap infrastructure, and zero-configuration software – *you’re off to a quick start*
Grid appliance in a nutshell

• Creating an equivalent Grid on your own resources, or on cloud providers, is also easy
• Deploy image on FutureGrid, Amazon EC2
• Copy the same appliance to clusters, PC labs
• Simple deployment and management of ad-hoc clusters
  – Opportunistic computing
  – Testing, evaluation
  – Education, training
Virtual Clusters in Future Grid

UC: 7TF IBM 672 cores
PU: 4TF Dell 384 cores
IU: 11TF IBM 1024 cores
6TF Cray 672 cores
5TF SGI 512 cores
UCSD: 7TF IBM 672 cores
TACC: 12TF Dell 1152 cores
UF: 3TF IBM 256 cores

To GÉANT
Dresden, Grid5000
Other European Grids

Core Router
NID
TeraGrid
Internet 2

Eucalyptus
Nimbus

Education
Training
Social virtual private networks

- Education/training: deploy your own cluster!

**Copy**

**Instantiate**

**Group VPN**

**An MPI worker**

**Another MPI worker**

**Virtual machine**

**Repeat...**

- **GroupVPN Credentials** (from Web site)

- **Virtual IP - DHCP**
  - 10.10.1.1

- **Virtual IP - DHCP**
  - 10.10.1.2
Demonstration

• Based on tutorial MP1
  – https://portal.futuregrid.org/tutorials/mp1
• Deploying a virtual appliance on FutureGrid through Nimbus
• Getting a virtual IP address and connecting to a small ‘playground’ pool of Condor nodes
• Installing MPI middleware
• Deploying MPI nodes dynamically through Condor
• Running a simple MPI task
Demonstration

• Deploying a virtual appliance on FutureGrid through Nimbus
  – Use Nimbus cloud client and baseline Grid appliance image available on alamo (TACC)
    cloud-client.sh --conf alamo.conf --run --name grid-appliance-mpi-2.04.28.gz --hours 24
Demonstration

• Getting a virtual IP address and connecting to a small ‘playground’ pool of Condor nodes
  – Once instance is running:
    
    ssh root@(IP address of instance)
    
    /sbin/ifconfig tapipop
      – Virtual cluster’s IP address – GroupVPN
    
    condor_status
      – List of other nodes connected to public pool
      – You can create your own private VPN as well
Demonstration

- Installing MPI middleware
  
su griduser
  cd ~/examples/mpi
  ./setup.sh --m32
  - In this example, we’re building MPI from scratch
  - If you customize an appliance with software/middleware, you can also generate your own custom image, and deploy multiple instances from there
Demonstration

• Deploying MPI nodes dynamically through Condor and running a simple MPI task

  /mnt/local/mpich2/bin/mpicc -m32 -o HelloWorld HelloWorld.c
  • Compile MPI binary

  ./mpi_submit.py -n 2 HelloWorld
  • Submit a Condor job that creates a 2-node MPI pool and submits the HelloWorld library
Where to go from here?

- You can download Grid appliances and run on your own resources
- You can create private virtual clusters and manage groups of users
- You can customize appliances with other middleware, create images, and share with other users
- More tutorials available at FutureGrid.org
- More information on Grid appliances also available at Grid-appliance.org
- Contact Renato Figueiredo renato@acis.ufl.edu for more information about appliances