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Class of Computer Networks M

Middleware & Cloud models

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MIDDLEWARE

The term MIDDLEWARE has an obvious meaning

The set of tools that sit in the middle between the application and the support: i.e.,

hardware, local operating system and technology, ...

The term **middleware** goes back to **1968**, to a famous **NATO** school on **Software Engineering**

Anyway, middleware was not so **significant until the 90'**, when **distributed systems** became widespread and commonplace

Middleware is a solution to design and support complex, distributed, deeply heterogeneous systems also suitable for very heterogeneous organizations to provide very differentiated services

a definition of MIDDLEWARE

The set of tools that allow integrating different application and services to be used in open environment (heterogeneous) with an unlimited lifecycle, at least the whole organization life

Middleware are offering and proposing the **support tools**, to **control** and **managing services during execution**, at all systems level, from physical one up the application level

RPC middleware (RMI)

They propose the usage of Remote Procedure Call as the unique communication tool among all available layers

The interaction is both between systems and final users (B2B and also B2C)

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MIDDLEWARE: HETEROGENEITY

It is a middleware the infrastructure to overcome the problems inherent to ad-hoc solutions, **ad-hoc approaches**

- custom conversion functions
- generic format conversions
- wrappers

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common protocols

Legend: DSOM IBM management system DME standard Open Software Foundation management system SNA IBM network architecture IPX/SPX Xerox network architecture



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Another DEFINITION of MIDDLEWARE

The **software layer** resident between the **applications** and all local support levels: network **components**, **local operating system**, **heterogeneous hardware**, different application areas. That layer must grant any application area **operations**



The decoupling layer among all system layers to permit a continuous simplified design of any application part (and also of the support part itself) and also allow any overcoming of the intrinsic heterogeneity

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MIDDLEWARE

the Middleware is often invoked and activated in a transparent and implicit way to provide a uniform access (API) to intrinsically heterogeneous local functions

- Often used to **integrate legacy systems** since long available (obsolescent) but required by the **business logic**
- Often used as a standard (de facto or committee-based) for a limited or even large community



The middleware market is still expanding in quantitative terms, according to Gartner

World increase of **16.4** % from 2005 to 2006

In 2008, an increase of 6.9 %, in 2009 of 2,8 %

In 2010, an increase of 7.3 %, up to 17.6 billions dollars

In 2011, an increase of 9.9 %, up to 19.3 billions dollars

In 2012, an increase of 5.2 %, up to 20.3 billions dollars

In 2013, an increase of 7.8 %, up to 21.9 billions dollars

In 2014, an increase of 8.7 %, up to 23.8 billions dollars

The breakdown of sales percentages:

Enterprise	2006%	2007%	2008%	2009%	2010%	2011%	2012%	2013%	2014%
IBM	31,8	28,8	30,8	31,5	32,6	32,1	30,9	29,8	29,1
BEA Systems	10,5	9,3	2	oracle	oracle	oracle	oracle	oracle	oracle
Oracle	8,6	8,5	13,6	16,7	17,2	16,8	16,1	14,8	13,8
Microsoft	4,2	3	3,6	3,9	4	5	5	5,1	4,9
Software AG	2,4	2,2	2,9	3	2,8	3,3	3,2	2,7	2,3
Tibco	3,5	3	2,9	2,6	2,5	2,9	2,6	2,5	2,4
SAP						1,2	2,7	2,4	2,2
Salesforce						0,7	1,6	2,2	3,1
Altri	39	45,2	44,2	42,4	40,9	38	37,9	40,5	42,2
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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MIDDLEWARE MARKET SHARE 2010-12

The Application Infrastructure Middleware Market: M&As Shape the Landscape



Red denotes companies acquired between 2008 and 2010. Green denotes companies acquired after 2011.

Gartner.

MIDDLEWARE sits on the local operating systems and tend to give support to:

Hide component and resource physical distribution

To make transparent the split of the application in different parts executing on different machines

Hide heterogeneity

To make transparent the distribution of the application over different hardware, different operating systems, different protocols, ...

Provide common interfaces

The entire application can be obtained by putting together legacy parts, already available, by sub setting and composing added parts toward the maximum of interoperability

Provide basic services

The application must have available a directory of available functions to avoid duplication and favor collaboration

Grant necessary availability and QoS

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MIDDLEWARE typical SERVICES

MIDDLEWARE provide very different services in very differentiated areas to fulfill user needs

Presentation Management (print, graphics, GUI, user interaction)

Computation (common procedures, char services internationalization, sorting, ...) Information Management (file manager, record manager, database manager, log Manager, ...) Communication (messaging, RPC, message queue, mail, electronic data interchange...) Control (thread manager, scheduler, transaction manager, ...) System Management (accounting, configuration, security, performance, fault management, ... event handling)

MIDDLEWARE in a layered view

MIDDLEWARE between

Applications and Operating Systems

Application layer

Domain-specific Middleware Service

Common Middleware Services

Distribution Middleware

Host Infrastructure Middleware

Operating Systems

Hardware



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MIDDLEWARE layers: Host Infrastructure

Host Infrastructure Middleware

This layer encapsulates and prepares for the common services to support distribution and to ease necessary communication

Examples: JVM, .NET, other local models



Some APIs are provided toward a unified support in different environments

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MIDDLEWARE layers: Distribution

Distribution Middleware

This layer provides the programming models for distribution and to ease the applications in configuration and management of distributed resources

Examples: RMI, CORBA, DCOM, SOAP, ...

Those systems allows an easier **communication and coordination** of all nodes taking part in the system, by introducing a **resource model** and

- some communication APIs , by proposing and enforcing a new conceptual model
- other basic functions for communication, name support, discovery, ...

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MIDDLEWARE layers: Common Services

Common Middleware Services

Added-value services, typically higher-level to facilitate the duties of the designer and to enforce a componentoriented perspective fully supported and aided

Examples: CORBA Services, J2EE, .NET Web Services

Some additional functions are inspired to a common architecture idea and to a unified support model

Several additional services are available in terms of components that you can add at any time depending on your needs

events, logging, streaming, security, fault tolerance, ...

MIDDLEWARE layers: Specific Services

Domain-specific Middleware Service

A set of application tools ad services grouped according to specific domains

Examples: Some task force are defining **ad-hoc functions for different areas** with very tailored goals, depending on the needs of specific groups, but always defining standards Task Force within OMG (Object Management Group) Electronic Commerce TF, Finance (banking and insurance) TF, Life Science Research Domain TF,

Syngo Siemens Medical Engineering Group, Boeing Bold Stroke within CORBA (flight and flight transport),

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CLASSIFICATION of MIDDLEWARES

MIDDLEWARE

RPC / RMI middleware Message Oriented Middleware (MOM) Distributed Transaction Processing (TP) Monitor Database Middleware Distributed Object Computing (DOC) Middleware Adaptive & Reflective Middleware Other special-purpose middlewares: Mobile & QoS Multimedia Middleware Agent-based Middleware

see: computingnow.computer.org

A PIONEER MIDDLEWARE !?

Wide Area Distributed Middleware (Web)

A global Middleware to allow easy reading actions to distributed data and also writing operation, in accessing to a global set of information

The web put together a global `transparent' system with

- an enormous number of administrative domains
- an enormous number of users
- an enormous number of host and machines
- an enormous heterogeneity of bandwidth, connections, ...

The Web it is not a real middleware even if the most widespread and very legacy now

Web as a core example because of its extreme diffusion

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WEB MIDDLEWARE !? and J2EE

Java-oriented vision J2EE: Java Naming & Directory Interface, Java Message Service, J2EE Connector Architecture



J2EE as an integration of modules

Java2 Enterprise

As a set of components

- databases and more
- naming systems
- components (Beans)
- integration of components via XML
- messaging systems
- communication
- JSP & servlet

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RPC MIDDLEWARE (...RMI)

Remote Procedure Call as C/S tools

- Interface Definition Language (IDL) to define the contract
- **Synchronicity**: the client is blocked synchronously while waiting for the answer (result) from Server
- Heterogeneous data handling
- Stub as envelopes to achieve Transparency
- Binding often static (and not so dynamic)

The RPC Model is too rigid, not scalable & replicable with QoS The server design must be explicit and any activity provisioning must explicitly defined

No optimization easy to grant shared and private resources

Not so flexible, with the growing extensions of services

MOM MIDDLEWARE

Message Oriented Middleware (MOM)

Data and code distribution via **message exchange** between **logically separated entities**

Typed & un-typed message exchange with ad-hoc tools both synchronous and asynchronous

- wide autonomy between components
- asynchronous and persistency actions
- handler (broker) with different strategies and QoS
- easy in multicast, broadcast, publish / subscribe

Example: Middleware based on messages and queues **MQSeries IBM**, **MSMQ Microsoft**, **JMS** SUN

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OO e DOC MIDDLEWARE

Distributed Object Computing (DOC) Middlewares

Data and code distribution via **operation requests and replies** between **clients and remote servers**

DOCs use objects within a **framework** and a **broker** as an intermediary for operation object handling

- the object model simplifies design
- the broker provides both base services and additional ones
- some operations can be completely automated
- system integration is easier and effective
- open source technology is usually adopted

Examples: CORBA, .NET e COM, Java Enterprise

DTP MIDDLEWARE

Distributed Transaction Processing (TP-) Monitor

Middleware to declare and support distributed transactions

TP monitors optimize database connections hiding applicative decisions to obtain coordinated and transactional access to data

- specialized interface for queries by lightweight clients
- Standardized actions and ad-hoc languages
- **multi-level applications** adopting flexible RPC (various configurations beyond only-synchronous semantics)
- ease in providing Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, and Durability (**ACID**) guarantees

• efficiency in addressed applicative area Examples: CICS (IBM), Lotus Notes, Tuxedo (BEA), ...

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DB MIDDLEWARE

Database Middleware

Middleware for integration and eased usage of information stored in heterogeneous and different DBs

to hide implementation-specific details and use standard interfaces

Open DataBase Connectivity ODBC standard

- without requiring to modify existing DBs
- efficient support actions (not much emphasis on optimizations and transactions) in terms of data access
- only synchronous and standard operations
- evolutions toward data mining

Examples: Oracle Glue, OLE-DB Microsoft

MIDDLEWARE – more and more...

Adaptive & Reflective Middleware

Middleware able to (self-)adapt to the specific application also in a dynamic, reactive and radical way

In some cases the **visibility of underlying levels** can become crucial **to reach optimization**

•Static variations, typically component-dependent

• Dynamic variations, typically system-dependent

Via **reflection**, **action policies are expressed and visible** in the **middleware itself** and can change as **system components** Obtains **adaptation and flexibility at execution time**

Examples: non widely diffused yet

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SPECIALIZED MIDDLEWARES

Middleware to support mobility

components designed to ease transparent allocation and reallocation (working cross-layer, from network to application layers)

Middleware to support enterprise interactions

components designed to overcome issues typical of enterprise services and tackling specific business models

Middleware to support Real-Time (RT) applications

components designed to guarantee response times and deadlines for the development of services in the RT area

Middleware to support ad-hoc networking

lightweight components and algorithms designed for environments with **limited resources** and **consumption capacities**

ENTERPRISE MIDDLEWARE

MIDDLEWARE to provide business services

Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)

Need to ease the **integration** across **existing enterprise tools** and their expanded applicability and availability in the enterprise

EAI as environment for **fast and accurate integration** of applications and existing legacy subsystems

Also interfaces for rapid prototyping of new aggregates/mash-ups

Systems to grant easier enterprise workflows (in heterogeneous envs)

enterprise management (administration and management actions: SAP)

IT and resource management (development functions and application support: Websphere, Oracle)

Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

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AUTONOMIC COMPUTING

Complexity of computing systems makes really difficult to plan interventions and with which precision, whose involvement, ...

Model such systems as human bodies where the system is capable of taking care of itself

Complex systems must organize themselves as entities capable of self-managing and self-administration

Also termed self-X properties (related to computer agents)

- self-configuration (autonomy)
- self-optimization (social ability and cooperation)
- self-healing (reactivity)
- self-protection (proactiveness)

The **MAPE-K** architecture based the named phases:

- Monitor, Analyze, Plan, Execute, Knowledge

assume a model where the manager goal is to operate on the managed element, by sensing and affecting it, by controlling the element, and intervening in a closed loop on it



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TINA-C – Middleware for TLC

Telecommunications (TLC) Information Networking Architecture TINA-C defines a multiplicity of parties/roles involved in the communication service

Users and several communication and service Providers taking into account **quality di service** to provide **(after initial negoziation)**

user view

interaction view





Fundamental architectures separate and interacting: Computing, Service, Management, Network Architecture



Interactions between the different architectures are present, of course

Similarly, there are common management goals

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TINA-C – Layered Architecture

In an architectural view, starting from the network

Each node must host needed function that extend its capabilities to be part of the distributed system



TINA-C – Transparent Architecture

Applications and **services** are obtained atop physical resources exposed by various and heterogeneous local supports (NCCE) and integrated the DPE layer



An application is based on logical entities Services Resources Elements

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TINA-C – Transparent Architecture

Transparent view of applications and services



An application is based on logical entities Services Resources Elements

TINA-C – Non-transparent Architecture

It is also possible a non-transparent view with complete visibility needed in the design and development phases



An application is based on DPE Inter-DPE NCCE

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MIDDLEWARE DESIGN - ISSUES

The **design of middlewares** tend to consider more and more some critical factors that descend from the intrinsic complexity of possible solutions

The first issue is the **increasing set of functions** (objects, resources, etc.) that make **scalability** a very tough problem

- Middlewares tend to introduce indirect and dynamic mechanisms (interception) to enable management, introducing an overhead that is unfortunately high and to be minimized
- Middlewares tend to introduce management costs that require increasingly sophisticated tools to be continuously adjusted and updated (monitoring, accounting, security, control, etc.)
- Middleware include mobile and dynamic mobile devices, with need for continuous adaptation to the current context and situation

Middleware usage SCENARIOS

Middleware propose an architectural model and tools, according to a vision of precise use: in this way, middlewares are suitable for very different situations of use and imply an applicative exploitation and recommended use by those who adopt them

Indeed, it is possible to think of general use cases, but there is always a but there is always a clear idea of who will be users and their requirements

- Middleware developed for a specific application and that has to work in a precise, inflexible and isolated way: low cost and low intrusion requirements
- Middleware developed for applications that have to work in synergy with the middleware, in a flexible way: fast integration and eased communication requirements
- Middleware that represents the organization and requires continuous evaluation of internal services with multiple applications and adequate services: life time requirement

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MINIMUM COST MIDDLEWARE

A first scenario is that of **minimum cost middleware**, that drives the configuration of **an application**, according to an **internal interaction model**, without dynamic scenarios

Users require the configuration of the architecture and to obtain the functionality of **an application in a closed way and with no changes** with MW services at **very low intrusion and very low cost**

Disappearing middleware

MOM Middleware are within this category

It defines an application that involves a number of nodes and that only provides some participants **statically determined** (only hw resources and provided for specific architectural components), with **default interaction**, **rigid** and non-adjustable and optimized with **very low costs**

No need for **services to support dynamicity** as service names or other

No support for possible inputs and/or dynamic reconfiguration, turn-on and turn-off of resources

MIDDLEWARE for FAST APPLICATIONS

A second scenario is that of **middleware** for **very streamlined and optimized applications** that require services and get them quickly and efficiently

Applications can **provide each other services**, middleware uses its functions and those currently available dynamically

Support for **dynamic management** of resources and **applications** that self-adapt to fit to the current usage situation

Middleware to facilitate integration of applications

Middleware Microsoft are within this category

Middleware **installed on demand** for applications that can **interact in various ways** (DOC) with **other active applications** running at execution time

Support the dynamism and even possible optimized choices implemented automatically or based on user indication Middleware life time tied to application life cycle

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MIDDLEWARE for CONTINUITY

A third scenario is that of a **middleware** that needs to **extend the lifetime** of the service, seeing them as the set of all the features that an organization can make available for **coarsegrained and facilitated applications**

Applications can also add **services** that become part of the **middleware** and can be used by everyone so also **dynamically**, eventually

Support for **dynamic management** of resources and applications **Middleware for infinite life cycle**

Middleware CORBA in this category

The middleware is **initially installed** and is also **populated by different applications** (DOC), **enriching through the introduction of new services**, incrementally and seamlessly

The support allows use of services with varying degrees of **dynamicity** and **possible choices adapted automatically Middleware life time maximized (no downtime)**

MIDDLEWARE for CLOUD (?)

A **CLOUD** solution, from the **user** perspective, is the provisioning of a scenario of **virtualized resources** to obtain in an elastic and fast way resources needed to serve each phase of users request (user 1 - 1 provider)

From provider perspective, need to provide services (-aaS), according to agreed SLA and following two principles:

- Efficiency to respond to all users
- Effectiveness in carefully using available resources

In general, every provider uses **its resources** and finds the best mapping of configurations and QoS for better service.

Scenarios to trend: many to many

- Federation between Cloud providers to exchange services and resources
- Customers interested not only in having resources of a provider but of more providers, but also in balancing in accordance with their internal policies
- Cloud as integrator of software resources (full stack or IPaas, Integration Platform as a Service)
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Middleware resource management

Middleware as a container and manager of resources, more and more autonomous, and self-handling

Main managing operations

- Automatic configuration
- System monitoring
- Context management
- Resource discovery
- Resource composition and integration
- Resource reconfiguration

An index of middleware success is its invisibility:

the more it disappears, the more the main support goal is met

The middlewares must solve all problems related to heterogeneity and deal with all involved resource levels:

- hardware devices
- communication and interconnection technologies
- different hardware/software stack layers
- different hosting environments
- different deployments with different components
- different software sharing strategies

to provide users the best services with the best quality (QoS)

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QoS-related properties

These **non functional properties** are **crucial to solution acceptance** (even necessary on the **long term**)

Correctness

⇒ consistency, stability, timeliness, ...

Efficiency

⇒ optimal usage of resources, prompt answer, ...

Scalability

⇒ dynamic usage of resources, limited operating costs, ...

Robustness

⇒ fault tolerance, replication, availability, reliability, ...

Security

⇒ access control, privacy, integrity, ...

Cloud Computing Problem Space

"It starts with the premise that the **data services and architecture** should be on **servers**. We call it **cloud computing** – they should be in a 'cloud' somewhere. And that if you have the right kind of **browser** or the right kind of access, it doesn't matter whether you have a PC or a Mac or a mobile phone or a BlackBerry or what have you – or new devices still to be developed – you can get access to the cloud..."



Cloud Concepts

- IT on demand pricing
- Best benefits in a reliable context
- Pool of virtualized computer resources
- Rapid live providing while demanding
- Systems on scaling architecture

Cloud keywords

on demand, reliability, virtualization, provisioning, scalability

One Cloud is capable of providing IT resources 'as a service'

One Cloud is an **IT service** delivered to users that have:

- a **user interface** that makes the infrastructure underlying the service transparent to the user
- reduced incremental management costs when additional IT resources are added
- services oriented management architecture
- massive scalability

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A bit of history



Before Cloud computing: GRID

Grid computing

- Sharing of heterogeneous resources (computer, software, data, memory, computational power,, ...) in highly distributed environments with the goal of creating a virtual organization scalable (by need!)
- Interfaces (for management), often too fine grained, with low level of abstraction, and non self-contained ^(B)
- Application areas very limited and specific (parallel computation for scientific, engineering scenarios, ...)



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Before the Cloud: Virtualization

Virtualization

- Technologies for virtualization (either system-based or hosted), as in a server farm: Vmware, Xen, ...
- Isolation & personalized infrastructure and/or SW platform (O.S. and some additional applications)
- Tool for the efficient management of computing infrastructures (IBM Tivoli suite, Xen monitoring tools, ...)



Before Cloud computing: Web 2.0

• Web 2.0

- Usage of asynchronous protocols not visible to users to ask only really required info and not the whole web pages: Asynchronous Javascript And XML (AJAX)
- New ways of using Web services coupled with new applications easier to use, collaboration based and openly available, without requiring any installation by interested users: new business model, very, very cooperative (Software as a Service [©])



Before Cloud computing: Utility computing

- Huge computational and storage capabilities available from utilities, the same as for energy and electricity, and on pay-per-use base.
- "Computing may someday be organized as a public utility" - John McCarthy, MIT Centennial in 1961
- Metered billing (pay for what you use)
- Simple to use interface to access the capability (e.g., plugging into an outlet)

Software as a Service (SaaS)

Traditional Software



Build Your Own

On-Demand Utility



Plug In, Subscribe Pay-per-Use

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Software as a Service (SaaS)



Source: IDC, 2006

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SaaS - Software as a Service

- Software ownership costs pushed to vendor hardware, software, system security, disaster recovery, maintenance, monitoring
- Return to core competency organizations shift resources to core competencies, vendors focus on managing their SaaS
- More efficient deployment instant evaluation, more collaboration between vendor and IT organization, much faster deployments
- Eliminate shelfware & maintenance pay for what you use
- Always on current version version-free software means the latest for the customer
- Modern, Web 2.0 interface drive technician usage and better customer interaction with IT
- SaaS homogeneity costs less one version for the vendor to support means lower costs for everybody

Application areas suitable for SaaS

- ERP vertical business applications, both specialized and very specific
- General-purpose applications without any adaptation (potentially sharable)
 - self-service provisioning and ad-hoc personalization
 - applications available to several different users
- Business B2B applications domain specific
 - no need of third party hosting and involvement
- Customer/Supplier applications
 - applications where most of users and access is externally to the organization and where ubiquitous access via Web is critical and intrinsic
- Business applications even critical, but not the core business ones

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Traditional on-premise Deployment at the client site



Details

- Full ownership
- Significant implementation
- Customizable
- Difficult to upgrade / maintain

Examples

- HP Service Manager
- BMC Remedy
- CA Service Desk
- EMC Infra



Details

- Procures app and resells service
- Broker between customer and publisher
- Focus on 'out-of-box'

Examples

- IBM GS
- HP Services
- BMC AAS
- CSC

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SaaS multi-tenant



Details

- Hosted by software publisher
- Many customers to one application set
- Thought to be inflexible

Examples

- Salesforce.com
- Workday
- Innotas

SaaS single-tenant



Details

- Hosted by software publisher
- Customers receive their own app and database
- Auto-upgrades
- Extensive customization

Examples

- Service-now.com
- InteQ
- Eloqua

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SaaS Models

Some increasing resources models for providing some resources as a service, X**aaS**

SaaS Software as a Service

 Resources are simple applications available via remote Web access

PaaS Platform as a Service

- Resources are whole software platforms available for remote execution, i.e., several programs capable of interacting with each other
- laas Infrastructure as a Service
- Resources are intended in a wider and complete way, from hardware platforms, to operating systems, to support to final applications: usually via virtualization up to Cloud Computing



Layered Architecture: IaaS, PaaS & SaaS



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Layered Architecture: IaaS, PaaS & SaaS

Client Client Client Client software to get Machine **User Interface** access to the system. Interface Those applications Software as a Service (SaaS) execute on the client Components physical platforms Services (remote computers) Platform as a Service (PaaS) owned by the final Computer Network remote user Storage they can communicate Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) with the Cloud via the Server Server Server available interfaces Hardware Middleware & Cloud 67

Layered Architecture: Actors



Some SaaS and *-aaS examples

SaaS

From desktop applications: Google Apps (Gmail, Google calendar & docs), Microsoft Window live (Hotmail, Messenger, ...) to search engines, Google, Yahoo, Several social networks (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, ...)

PaaS typically accessed via Web service Services available internally to and interacting with other applications, as Google Maps

laas some experimental infrastructures

Several examples, with virtualization services, Amazon Web Services (S3), Elastic Computing Cloud (EC2), to several management and monitoring desktops to control execution (Sun global desktop, Zimdesk, ...)

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Technology wrap up

Cloud different from ...

Grid Computing

• A cloud is more than a **collection of computer resources** because a cloud provides a mechanism to manage those resources

Provisioning, change requests, workload balancing, monitoring

 Cloud computing is an infrastructure that sits on top of a data centre for efficiency

Utility Computing

- Service that allows users to deploy, manage, and scale online services using the provider's resources and pay for resources they consume
- Users want to be in control of what runs on each server
- **Cloud users** want to avoid infrastructure. The provider is in complete control.
- SaaS
 - Software that is owned, delivered, and managed remotely by one or more providers
 - Software that allows a sharing of application processing and storage resources in a one-to-many environment on a pay-for-use basis, or as a subscription

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Evolution of Cloud Computing



Technology & Business



Cloud computing: reality check

- Amazon Elastic Computing EC2: virtualized images (DB+Software and middleware+OS), Xen, simple SLA console
- **Google App Engine** (Software as a Service, web applications, Google App Engine, sandbox for management and security)
- IBM Blue Cloud: virtualized images (DB+Software and middleware+OS), Xen, Tivoli (monitoring and management), simple SLA console
- HP/Yahoo/Intel Test Bed: virtualized images, Xen, simple SLA console
- **Microsoft Azure:** recently launched by Microsoft
- **Openstack:** standard effort with large and widening diffusion
- **Research initiatives** (*RESERVOIR EU FP7 project*, previous projects on grid computing such as EEGE, ...)

Others ongoing projects: Eucalyptus, 3Tera, ...

Cloud Key Goals

Infrastructure Perspective

- How can we provide flexible compute resources quickly to promote rapid prototyping?
- How do we deploy applications that scale up to meet increasing demands over time?
- How do we manage 100,000's of machines with minimal human intervention?
- How can we make the most efficient use of all the compute resources in a data center?

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Cloud Deployment Models

Typically three models

Private cloud

- enterprise owned or leased
- Community cloud
 - shared infrastructure for specific community
- Public cloud
 - sold to the public, mega-scale infrastructure
- Hybrid cloud
 - composition of two or more clouds

The NIST Cloud Definition Framework



Cloud components

Cloud Computing software systems have a typical structure based on components that can communicate with each other via well defined interfaces (often Web Services)



• Four main components:

- one Cloud platform, with an externally available interface accessed via web to cooperate with the real or virtual internal infrastructure
- one virtualization infrastructure and the management system for the control, monitoring, and billing for client requests
- one internal memory system typically via a database
- one internal manager to handle external requests (management, queuing, and controlling)

Cloud computing ...

Goal and requirements

- Cost reduction (to minimize deployment cost, energy, storage, computing power, ...)
- Scalability on demand (resources handled in an "elastic way", all system resources are virtualized as for virtual machine, agreed and granted in SLA (Service Level Agreement
- Automated provisioning and ease of use (utility computing + infrastructure, platform, and SaaS)
- Technical areas of intervention
- **Management** (system resources, power-saving, ...)
- Interoperability & portability (data, applications, and virtual machine images)
- Measurement and monitoring (dynamic on line monitoring, accounting control, ...)
- Security (privacy/data control, reputation, ...)

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Cloud computing today

.. AND THE WORST

THING IS THERE'S NO ACCESS TO THE CLOUD

DOWN HERE!

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The Cloud term and its related technologies have become very common also for non technical users

tion

- Advertising
- Humor
- Buzzword

Cloud has provided have also very widespread some directions as guide the necessity and the unavoidab

- G Cloud in UK
- USA: Federal Cloud (1/4 of total SI expenses)
- UE pushing toward European Cloud

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New Business models (NIST - March 2011)

New business roles stemming fromCloud

- Consumer, Provider,
- Carrier, Broker, Auditor

Actor	Definition				
Cloud Consumer	Person or organization that maintains a business relationship with, and uses service from, <i>Cloud Providers</i> .				
Cloud Provider	Person, organization or entity responsible for making a service available <i>Cloud Consumers</i> .				
Cloud Auditor	A party that can conduct independent assessment of cloud services, information system operations, performance and security of the cloud implementation.				
Cloud Broker	An entity manages the use, performance and delivery of cloud services, and negotiates relationships between Cloud Providers and Cloud Consumers.				
Cloud Carrier	Carrier The intermediary that provides connectivity and transport of cloud services from Cloud Providers to Cloud Consumers.				

Complete model of service

Some roles and offerings are still not so widely available



Typical areas of service offering



Cloud Provider – Service Handling

Providers must grant QoS of services, by assuring portability, interoperability and security, apart from performance



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Cloud Providers - Orchestration

Providers should (could) coordinate offered services, implementing aggregation, intermediation, control and monitoring



Some significant aspects



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Some open technological problems

Many aspects have been solved, not all of them are, some still hard to tackle

- Virtualization
 - New forms of resource virtualization
- **Differentiated and global resource localization** •
 - Federation and coordination of global resources
- Security, Privacy and SLA adherence
 - Verifiable and trusted assurance policies
- Easy Control, handling and management by user
 - Easy-to-use and user friendly actions and tools
- Data and QoS management
 - self-* automated system capable and of adaptation
- **API and platform enhancements**
 - New platforms e new interaction modes
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Related Issues and Areas

Several directions and guidelines can be applied coming from neighbor areas

- Mobility
- Green e sustainability
- Novel business models
- Open-source and globally-available resources
- Peculiar legal aspects

Cloud computing: pros and cons



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Cloud : perception and challenges

Ensuring security and compliance		35%	48%	
Improving manageability	16%	45%	36%	
Deeper integration with on-premises apps	18%	48%	29%	
Deeper integration with other cloud apps		50%	26%	
Providing mobile access	\$ £ \$ 10.0	42%	33%	
Performance monitoring/management	19%	43%	32%	
Improving data quality	23%	34%	39%	
Reducing SaaS silos	19%	42%	31%	
Improving application governance	20%	39%	34%	
Reporting and analytics	19%	39%	33%	
Driving user adoption/productivity	25%	35%	31%	
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Standard: a necessity

Cloud as a new sector, unavoidable in expansion and spreading, but acceleration can be favored by standard acceptation

- Clarity about new roles and responsibility
- Open source standard and implementations
- Integration with existing protocols (mobile ...)
- Supports for sustainability
- Global and local legal clarity
- Ties with other areas:
 Big Data, Open Data, and Smart City

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Cloud offer ecosystem

A possible Cloud portfolio of offered business applications



A possible Cloud offer portfolio in internal organization



Cloud Solution roles

A possible Cloud set of scopes



A Cloud-layered infrastructure in Cloud components



Cloud Management

A Cloud-layered infrastructure for management



Cloud Management: a cross-layer view



Cloud Monitoring

Monitor and manager components (several possible deployments) Physical and virtual resource monitoring

Many-to-many communication for fine-grained local monitoring



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