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CHAMELEON:

BUILDING A LARGE SCALE RECONFIGURABLE EXPERIMENTAL TESTBED FOR CLOUD RESEARCH

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CHAMELEON: A FLEXIBLE AND POWERFUL EXPERIMENTAL INSTRUMENT

- ► Large-scale: "Big Data, Big Compute, Big Instrument research"
 - ► ~650 nodes (~14,500 cores), 5 PB disk over two sites, 2 sites connected with 100G network
- Reconfigurable: "As close as possible to having it in your lab"
 - From bare metal reconfiguration to clouds
 - Support for repeatable and reproducible experiments
- Connected: "One stop shopping for experimental needs"
 - Workload and Trace Archive
 - Partnerships with production clouds: CERN, OSDC, Rackspace, Google, and others
 - Partnerships with users
- Complementary: "Can't do everything ourselves"
 - ► Complementing GENI, Grid'5000, and other experimental testbeds



CHAMELEON HARDWARE



To UTSA, GENI, Future Partners

Switch

Standard **Cloud Unit** 42 compute 4 storage x2

Core Services Front End and Data **Mover Nodes**

504 x86 Compute Servers 48 Dist. Storage Servers 102 Heterogeneous Servers **16 Mgt and Storage Nodes**

Chameleon Core Network

100Gbps uplink public network (each site)

Chicago Austin

SCUs connect to core and fully connected to each other

Switch

Standard

Cloud Unit

42 compute

4 storage

x10

Core Services

3.6 PB Central File Systems, Front End and Data Movers

Heterogeneous **Cloud Units Alternate Processors**

and Networks



CAPABILITIES AND SUPPORTED RESEARCH

Development of new models, algorithms, platforms, auto-scaling HA, etc., innovative application and educational uses

Persistent, reliable, shared clouds

Repeatable experiments in new models, algorithms, platforms, auto-scaling, high-availability, cloud federation, etc.

Isolated partition, Chameleon Appliances

Virtualization technology (e.g., SR-IOV, accelerators), systems, networking, infrastructure-level resource management, etc.

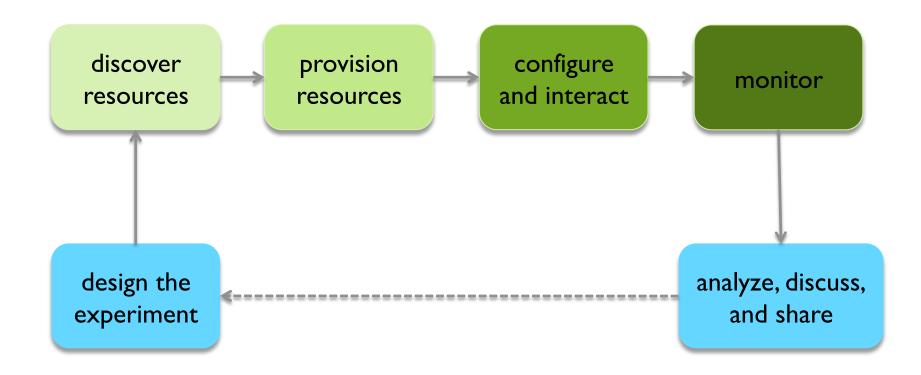
Isolated partition, full bare metal reconfiguration

BUILDING CHAMELEON INFRASTRUCTURE (CHI)

- Defining requirements
- Developing architecture
- Technology Evaluation and Risk Analysis
 - ► Technology evaluation: Grid'5000 and OpenStack
 - ► Implementation proposals
- Implementing CHI
- ► Technology Preview (since 04/15)
- Early User (since 2 weeks ago)



EXPERIMENTAL WORKFLOW



CHI: SELECTING AND VERIFYING RESOURCES

- Complete, fine-grained and up-to-date representation
- ► Machine parsable, enables match making
- Versioned
 - "What was the drive on the nodes I used 6 months ago?"
- Dynamically Verifiable
 - ▶ Does reality correspond to description? (e.g., failures)
- ► Grid'5000 Registry
 - ► Automated resource description, automated export to RM
- ► G5K-checks
 - Run at boot, acquire information, compare with resource catalog description

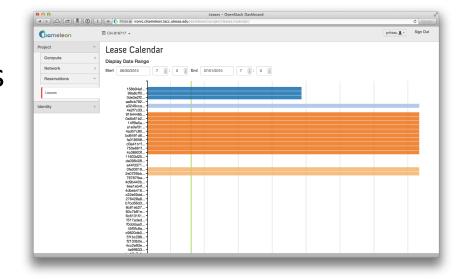


CHI: PROVISIONING RESOURCES

- Resource leases
- Allocating a range of resources
 - ▶ Different node types, etc.
- Multiple environments
- Advance reservations (AR)
 - Sharing resources across time
- Extensions: match making, Gantt chart displays



Extensions to support working with more resources, match making, and displays



CHI: CONFIGURE AND INTERACT

- ► Map multiple appliances to a lease
- Allow deep reconfiguration (incl. BIOS)
- ▶ Snapshotting
- Efficient appliance deployment
- ► Handle complex appliances
 - Virtual clusters, cloud installations, etc.
- ► Interact: reboot, power on/off, access to console
- Shape experimental conditions
- OpenStack Ironic, Glance, and meta-data servers



CHI: MONITORING

- Enables users to understand what happens during the experiment
- ► Types of monitoring
 - User resource monitoring
 - ► Infrastructure monitoring (e.g., PDUs)
 - Custom user metrics
- ► High-resolution metrics
- ► Easily export data for specific experiments
- OpenStack Ceilometer



PROJECT TIMELINE

- ► Started 09/2014
- Currently:
 - Since 12/14: FutureGrid@Chameleon (OpenStack KVM cloud)
 - Since 04/15: Chameleon Technology Preview (CHI: bare metal)
 - ▶ Since 06/17/15: Early Users on homogenous hardware
 - Overall: 57 projects, 102 users, 40 institutions
- ► <u>Fall 2015</u>: Large-scale homogenous partitions and bare metal reconfiguration generally available
- ► 2015/2016: Refinements to experiment management capabilities, higher level capabilities
- ► <u>Fall 2016</u>: Heterogeneous hardware available

WORKING TOGETHER!

Work on your next research project @ www.chameleoncloud.org!

The most important element of any experimental testbed is users and the research they work on

- ► Sign up for Early User at chameleoncloud.org
- ► Get engaged in the discussion:
 - ► Grid'5000 API, Blazar, representing appliances
 - ► Contribute appliances, research, ideas
 - ► Federation efforts: GENI & Grid'5000
- Come and work with us!

