# Virtualization is the Operating System of the Cloud

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### Agenda

- Virtualization Primer
- Cloud Computing Defined
- VMware vCloud Initiative
- Cloud Application Architecture
- Conclusions



## What this is really about...

### Requirements of today's software:

- Massive Scale
- Always On
- Flexible / SOA
- Fast development cycles

### • Thus:

- Complex to deploy
- Complex to manage
- Complex to update
- Complex to test
- Complex to size

### Driving two major areas of innovation:

- Application Architecture (e.g., Web 2.0 frameworks)
- Deployment Infrastructure (e.g., Cloud infrastructure)





## What is Virtualization?



- Virtualization presents a complete x86 platform to the virtual machine
- Allows multiple application stacks to run in isolation within VMs on the same physical machine
- Uniform virtual hardware layer independent of underlying physical hardware



### Virtual Machine as a Container

- Entire server OS, apps, data, devices, and state – is now simply a file
- Enabled by uniform virtual hardware and state encapsulation



- Provisioning is similar to copying a file
- Standard data management techniques are used for server management
  - Server cloning/copying
  - Remote mirroring
- Virtual Appliances
  - Distributing software in VMs



### Virtual Infrastructure

- Transforms discrete physical infrastructure into a flexible pool of resources
- Legacy friendly

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Application-level services



## Virtual Machine as a Compute Engine

- A VM is an encapsulation of compute capacity
  - CPU / Memory / Storage / Networking / Software
- A VM can be created programmatically
  - Can be instantiated in a cluster
  - Transparently be migrated depending on load and capacity
- Next evolution in core OS abstractions
  - Thread / Process / Virtual Machine
- Enables new software architectures
  - Create self-scaling distributed applications



## **Virtualization Status**

 Has fundamentally changed the economics in datacenter operations

### Hardware Management:

- Higher server utilization
- Easier to maintain physical infrastructure

### Software Management:

- Pre-built templates that can be provisioned in seconds
- Ability to create new VMs in seconds for test and development
  - Backup, Security, Disaster Recovery, Monitoring built in at the virtualization layer



## How Do We Define The Cloud?



- Lightweight entry/exit service acquisition model
- Consumption based pricing
- Accessible over standard internet protocols
- Scalable and elastic
- Improved economics due to shared infrastructure and elasticity

Cloud computing comes into focus only when you think about... a way to increase capacity or add capabilities on the fly without investing in new infrastructure, training new personnel, or licensing new software. Cloud computing encompasses any subscription-based or pay-per-use service that, in real time... extends IT's existing capabilities.





# **Different Types Of Cloud Computing**

### **APPLICATION AND INFORMATION**



Sometimes referred to as Software-as-a-Service, a wide ranging services delivered via varied business models normally available as public offering.



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Two Main Deployment Environments Public – Accessible over the internet for general consumption Private – Behind corporate firewall for use by limited, pre-determined audience



# **Different Types Of Cloud Computing**



### DEVELOPMENT

Sometimes referred to as Platformas-a-Service, application development platforms enable application authoring and runtime environment.







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# **Different Types Of Cloud Computing**



### INFRASTRUCTURE

Sometimes referred to as elastic compute clouds or Infrastructureas-a-Service, virtual hardware made available for varied uses.



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## Map Of Cloud Computing



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# Key Industry Trends

### **Cloud Platforms**

- Business cycle times shortening and driving needs for highly elastic infrastructure
- Traditional Hosting Service Providers and Compute Clouds becoming more similar
- Intelligence moving from hardware into software
- Cheap server revolution!!

### **Application Architectures**

- Operating Systems "thinning down" thus enabling better transportability
- More diversity in Operating System use
- Applications becoming disaggregated, distributed set of services
- Growing proliferation of consumer Web 2.0 consumer apps on cloud platforms
- Fault tolerance built into the application or virtual hardware layer



# **Challenges Of Cloud Computing**



- Need for New, Highly Efficient and Flexible Computing Infrastructure
  - Must be highly performent
  - Must be highly scalable
  - Need new more course grained units of management and actions
  - Needs to be elastic

### Application Compatibility

- Need application model optimized for cloud
- Need to leverage existing skills and code base
- Will not be 100% immediate transfer to cloud, need bridge
- Need better containers that allow for true application level operations
- Applications "sticky" to location





# **Challenges Of Cloud Computing**



# Lack of standardization creates complexity and switching costs

- Each compute cloud vendor has different application model
- Proprietary, vertically integrated stacks limiting choice, increasing switching costs



### Multi-tenancy

- Need to find the balance between the security of dedicated infrastructure with economics of shared infrastructure
- Service level agreements need to move to richer application level semantics













# vCloud Components

### • Virtual Datacenter OS:

• A software platform that seamlessly aggregates on-premise computing assets into pools of capacity and federates federates with third party cloud infrastructure to deliver capacity on demand

#### • vApp:

 A software solution that is optimized for VDC-OS. Can seamlessly move between on-premise and off-premise

#### • vCloud API:

Provides access to the services provided by the VDC-OS



## Virtual Datacenter OS (VDC-OS)



# Consequences of a VDC-OS for application developers

- Independence of deployment environment
  - Uniform hardware, One or many VMs, Any OS
- Simplified Management
  - A VM always comes with a support system
- Scalability and Availability
  - Ability to codify distributed application configurations and availability

### Testing and Automation

- Easily instantiate many copies of complex software
- Save snapshots for later debugging

### Cloud Enablement

Seamless move between on-premise and off-premise



## vApps – Applications for VDC-OS

- Comprised of one or more virtual machines
- Packaged as OVF Open Virtualization Format
- Policy Driven
- Integrates with underlying deployment infrastructure services



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## It started with Virtual Appliances



- VMware created the category of virtual appliances 3 years ago
  - Prepackaged, pre-configured VM(s) with just enough OS – jeOS
- 850+ Appliances on Virtual Appliance Marketplace





# **Open Virtualization Format (OVF)**

### A standard for packaging and distribution of VMs

- A package format that provides a complete description of a single VM or complex multi-VM environments
- Optimized for distribution
- Infrastructure to securely and robustly install, configure, and run Virtual Appliances

### Developed by DMTF working group

Preliminary version 1.0 just published (September 2008)





## The OVF Specification

### A Packaging Format

How to bundle files and do digital signing

### OVF Envelope

- An XML descriptor that describes the software in an OVF package
- Organized as an envelope with an extensible set of sections

### Core Sections

 10 core sections for describing virtual hardware, EULA, Product information, etc.

### OVF Environment

 An XML document available to the software inside a virtual machine which enables it to adapt to the deployment environment

### Extensible

Policy-meta data



## **OVF** Package



### vApp Workflow

- Building a vApp
- Deploying a vApp
- Instantiating on a cloud provider

## Building a vApp





### **VMware Studio**

- Provide rich authoring environment for vApps
- Build Virtual Machines that are
  - Highly customized
  - · Easy to deploy, Require minimal setup
  - With rich meta-data and/or
  - Embedded in-guest "glue" code for runtime interaction with VI
  - Location independent

### **Enable on-going maintenance**

- Build VMs that are capable of self-maintenance
- Integrate into automated build systems



## Deploying vApp: Select Source

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# Deploying vApp: VA Marketplace

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## Deploying vApp: Product Information

| Import Location                                       |                |   |                          |  |
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| Virtual Machine Details<br>End User License Agreement | Name:          | SugarCRM  |                          |  |
| Name and Folder<br>Resource Pool<br>Properties        | Download Size: | 1067 MB   | Validate before download |  |
| Ready to Complete                                     | Size on disk:  | 20480 MB  |                          |  |
|   | Description:   | Sugar, the market leading commercial open source CRM<br>application, delivers a feature-rich set of business processes that<br>enhance marketing effectiveness, drive sales performance, improve<br>customer satisfaction and provide executive insight into business<br>performance. Supported by deep collaboration and administration<br>capabilities that adapt to how your company operates, Sugar is<br>delighting customers of all sizes across a broad range of industries. |                          |  |



# Deploying vApp: Download

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## vCenter Inventory



### Putting it all together



## Summary

### The requirements for our software is changing

- Uptime, scale, flexibility, short cycle-time
- New business models are emerging

### Virtualization is fundamental to cloud computing

- A virtual machine is both a portable container and a compute engine for distributed applications
- Embraces legacy, current, and future application work loads
- Standards and eco-system

### Cloud Computing is a cost-effective deployment platform

- Lightweight entry/exit service acquisition model
- Consumption based pricing
- Accessible over standard internet protocols
- To Learn more: Visit us in our booth and on the Web

