Java on the Cloud - What Java Professionals Need to Know



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A Few Words About Cloud

Service-Oriented

Always Available

Scale-Out

Model-Driven

Federated

• Failure Resilient

Elastic

Multi-Tenant



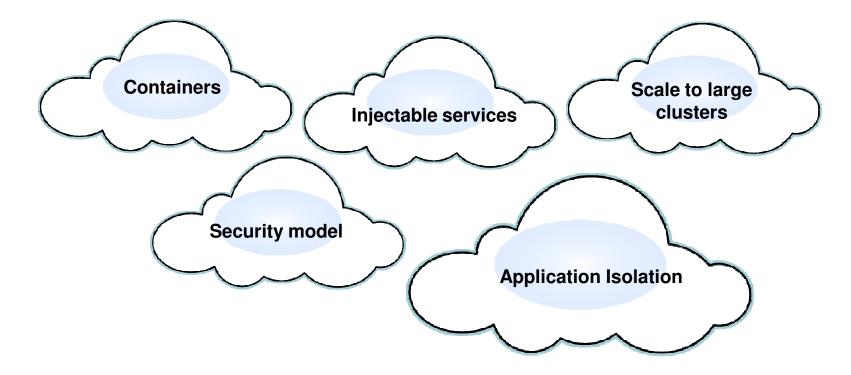
Why the JVM is good for the Cloud

- The Java virtual Machine is already a managed environment
 - Portability across O/S & JVM implementations
 - Remote debugging/profiling/monitoring hooks
 - Security Policies
- Base runtime for different JVM languages
 - Ceylon, Groovy, Java, JPython, Ruby on Rails, Scala etc Jruby



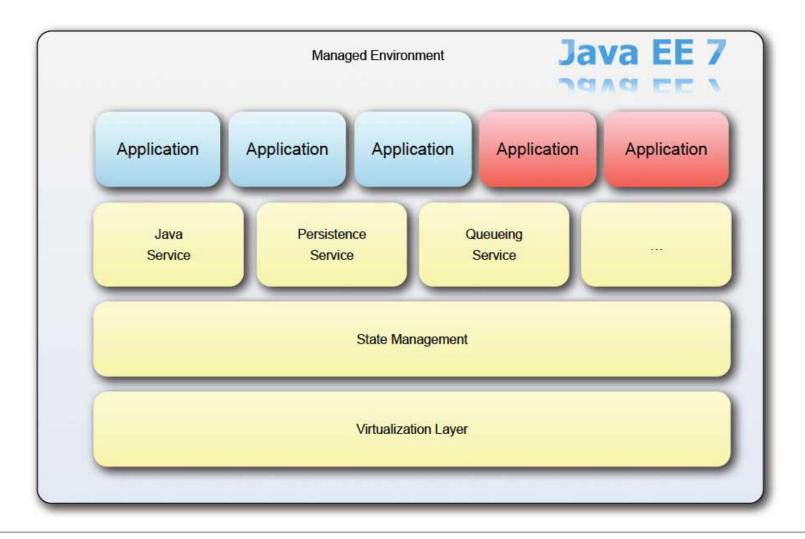


What does Java EE offer to Cloud?





Java EE 7: The theme - Cloud





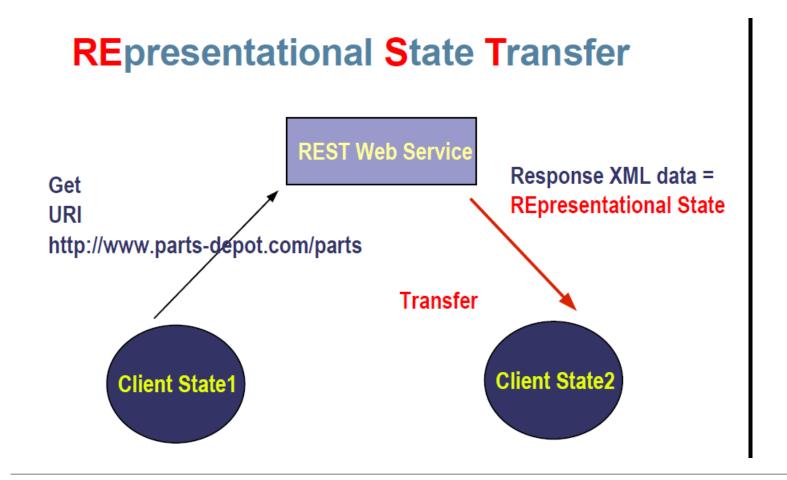
The Java EE 7 Modularity

- Built on Java SE 8 work
- Applications made of modules
- Dependencies are explicit
- Versioning is built-in
- Classloaders are straightened



Java EE 7 as a Cloud Consumer

JAX-RS, the API for RESTful Web Services





Java EE 7 as a Cloud Integrator

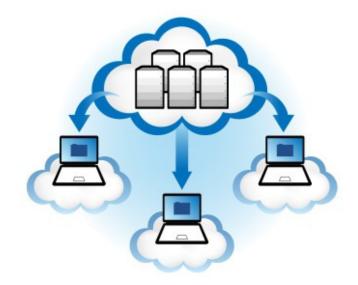
- JBI Two kinds of components can be plugged into a JBI environment:
 - Service engines
 - Binding components





Java EE 7 as a Cloud Provider

- New roles
- All resource manager-related APIs, such as JPA, JDBC and JMS, will be updated to enable multi-tenancy
- Connectionless versions of the major APIs
- Descriptor for application metadata to enable developers to describe certain characteristics of their applications that are essential for the purpose of running them in a PaaS environment





Need for a better Java Infrastructure

- Fully optimized JVM stack which can efficiently leverage higher CPU cores densities, large memory page allocations (>50+ GB/sec) and optimized scheduler that reduces application thrashing
- Scalable JVM heap sizes which can grow under application load through a cooperative memory manager and avoid performance degradation and "out of memory" errors crashes
- **Hit-less production visualization and performance management** which supports fine gain I/O , lock contention and memory leak analysis that can improve problem resolutions times and identify application bottlenecks
- SLA enforcement and policy based management which provides policy-based management that enables infrastructure-wide utility billing for compute resources, guaranteed transaction quality of service, and the ability to monitor security policies in multi-tenant isolated environment



A Plausible Solution: A Better, More Elastic Java Infrastructure

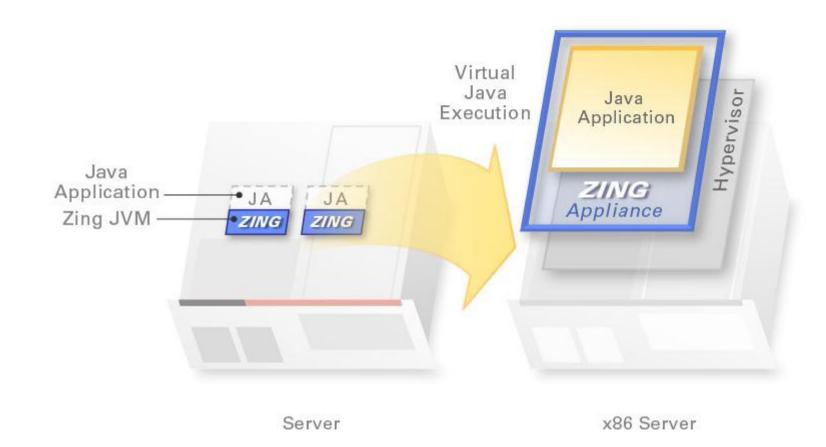
What JBoss + Azul provide:

- ✓ Fully certified Java "stack"
- Using only full tested components
- ✓ Integrated and optimized for scale
- ✓ Proven in mission-critical deployments
- ✓ Virtualization & Cloud ready





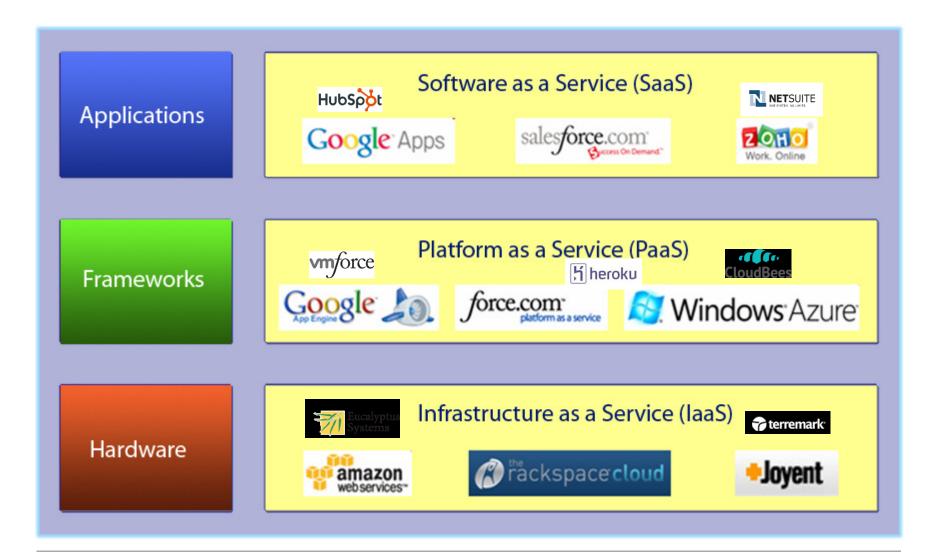
How Zing Works: AZUL JAVA VIRTUALIZATION







Cloud Providers





Amazon Beanstalk



- Based on the Amazon EC2 infrastructure
- ...and Auto Scaling and S3
- Add Linux, OpenJDK, Tomcat

- Eclipse Plug In available
- Supports version handling of applications
- Supports elastic scaling depending on load indicators
- Simple Monitoring built in
- Detailed control over the environment (Tomcat parameters, used AMIs, log in to machine etc.)3





Amazon BeanStalk



- Access to Tomcat logs etc.
- Access to the OS
- Fine tuning of Tomcat parameters possible
- Easy, yet powerful
- Videos to get started
- Demo application based on Spring
 - Uses also S3 (storage) and Simple Notification Service (SNS)
- Add Relational Database Service (RDS) for enterprise scale MySQL
- ...and all the other Amazon Web Services (AWS)



Amazon BeanStalk



- Much like your average Enterprise Java environment
- =Tomcat + RDBMS
- Cloud features like elastic scaling available
- Can easily add other AWS elements
- Runs on a proven environment
- But: 1 server = 1 virtual machine
- GAE can run multiple applications on one machine
- More cost efficient (?)



Google App Engine



- Infrastructure offered by Google
- Supports Java and Python
- Infrastructure completely hidden
- GAE sandbox more restrictive than normal JVM sandbox
- Limitations:
 - Focus on NoSQL while typical Java applications use RDBMS
 - Limit on start up time of application etc
 - Limit on response time (30 seconds)
 - no access to File system
 - No control or access to operating system
 - Not even the web server
- Java classes white list
 - i.e. some Java classes must not be used
 - no Threads
 - parts of System class (e.g. qc(), exit()...)



Google App Engine: Storage

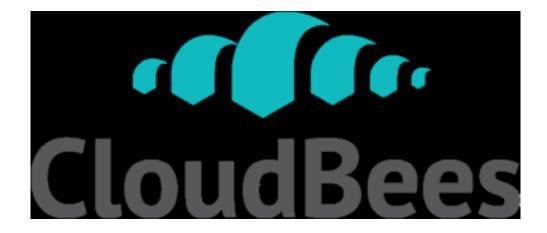


- Relational database only in App Engine for Business
- Based on BigTable
 - Google's storage technology
 - High replication or simple master / slave
 - Key/value i.e. objects stored under some key
 - No joins
 - Simple / simplistic (?)
 - Scalable
 - Example of NoSQL

Max. 1 MB per entity (and other limitations)



CloudBees





CloudBees: DEV@Cloud

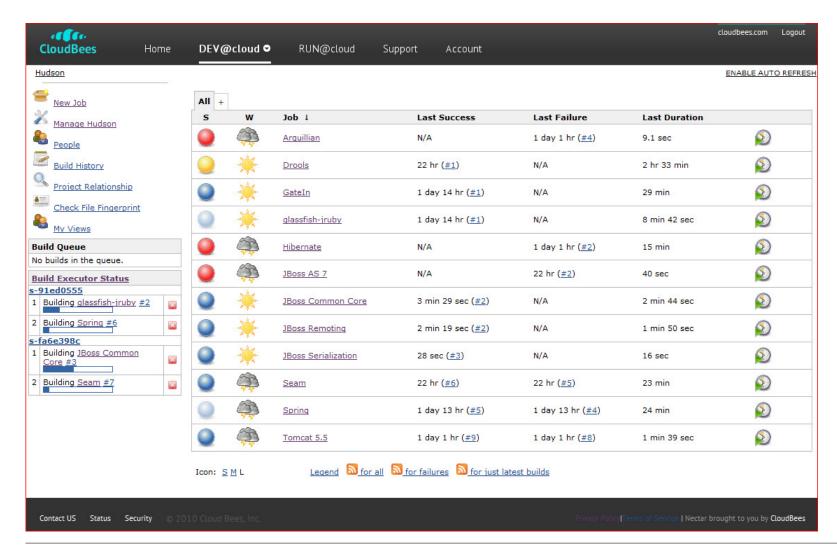


- In fact two services: DEV@Cloud and RUN@Cloud
- DEV@Cloud: Developer services
- Continuous Integration (Jenkins)
 - Good application of the Cloud: Peaks and high load only during working hours
 - Standardized and universally applicable service
 - Some Essentials Plug Ins in free version
 - More in Base / Pro / Enterprise pay version
 - Also more parallel build in pay version
 - and faster build machines
- Maven repository
 - Snapshot / Release
 - Builds can be automatically deployed
- Potentially other services
- Runs on AWS





CloudBees DEV@cloud





CloudBees: RUN@Cloud



- MySQL database
 - Very simple (i.e. just one server, but backup included)
 - Could use Amazon RDS instead
 - Master/Slave setups
 - Load balanced JDBC driver
 - Automated backups



CloudBees: RUN@Cloud



- Tomcat on EC2
- Easily deploy a WAR
 - either by web interface
 - or command line utility (bees SDK)
- Java as a Service
 - HTTP load-balanced clustering
 - Shared or dedicated server deployments
 - Local development sandbox
- Little control
 - Only 256MB heap
 - Single instance or multiple instance
 - No elastic scaling
 - Potentially cheaper: Multiple applications on one machine
- Simple monitoring (web / command line)



Java in the Cloud: Conclusion

- Feasible to run Java applications in the cloud
- laaS
 - Maximum control
 - Automatic installation needed
 - Also works on private cloud / virtualized environment
- Google App Engine
 - Very limited sandbox
 - Advantage?
- Amazon Beanstalk
 - Standard Enterprise Java Stack
 - Lots of additional Amazon Web Services (Relational Database Service)
- CloudBees
 - DEV@Cloud: Developer-only features (Jenkins)
 - RUN@Cloud: simple but probably more price efficient



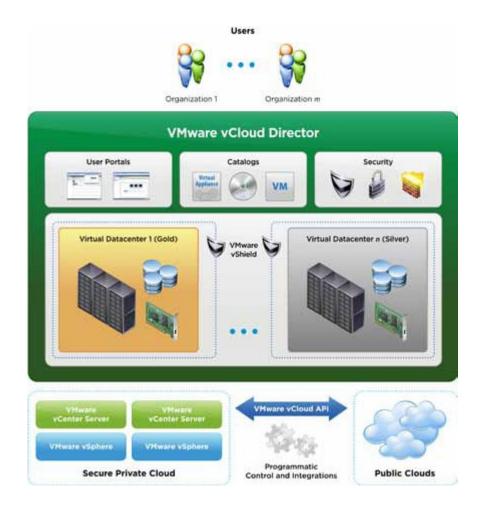
Dell on the Cloud

 Just a month ago, Dell and VMware jointly **announced** a partnership for creating Dell's first Cloud based on Dell PowerEdge C-Series servers, used in other data centers including Windows Azure, and VMware vCloud Datacenter Services providing the infrastructure needed for public, private and hybrid clouds and the availability of consulting, application and infrastructure services. Dell intends to build private and hybrid clouds in their own or the customer's datacenter using VMware vSphere and vCloud Director





VMWare - vCloud Director





Dell BOOMI

AtomSphere® Integration Cloud™



What is Dell Boomi AtomSphere?

- Make it possible for companies to integrate application, data, and trading partners directly from web by using a visual designer with access to a library components,
- Build, Deploy and Manage Connections Directly from the Web



- No Software Packages or Hardware Appliances to Install
- Connect any Combination of SaaS and On Premise Applications with Unprecedented Ease
- Pay Only for the Connections you Deploy
- Do-It-Yourself Technology No Coding required
- Self-Provisioning Sign Up and Begin Building Integrations Immediately



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