

# The Cumulus Project: Build a Scientific Cloud for a Data Center

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# Cloud Motivation



Grid Computing, Cloud Computing

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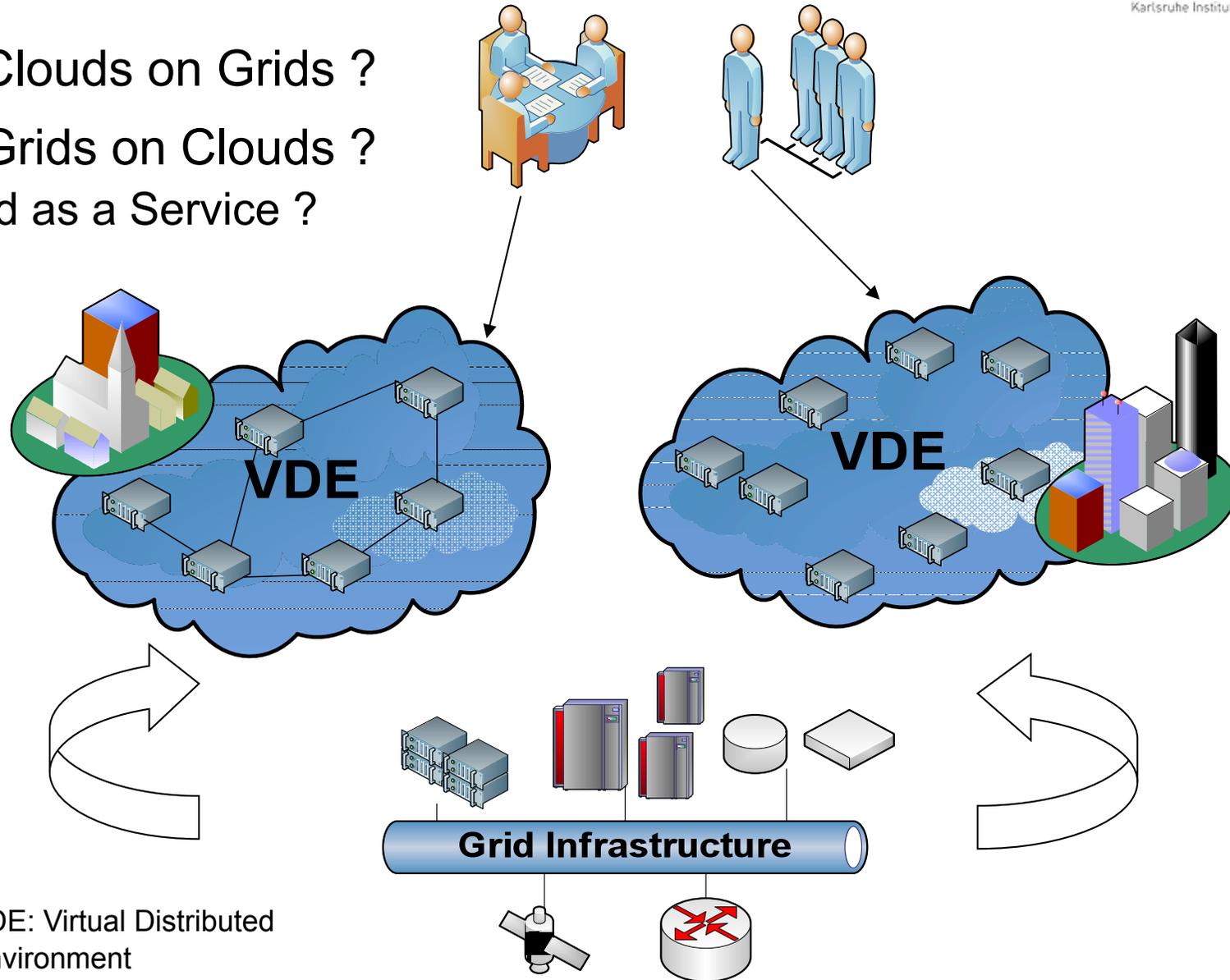
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# Clouds vs. Grids: A Comparison

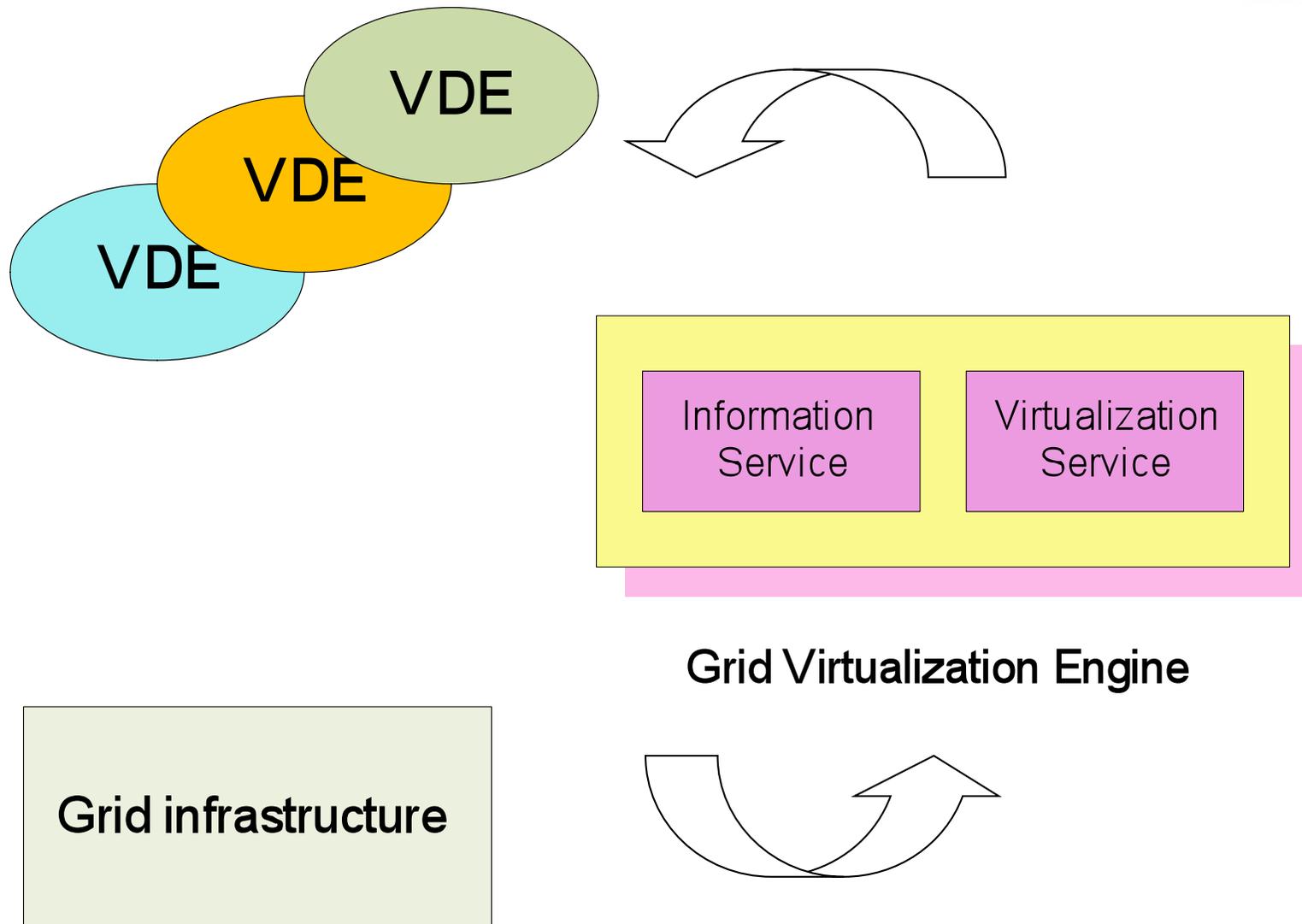
	Cloud Computing	Grid Computing
<b>Objective</b>	Provide desired computing platform via network enabled services	Resource sharing Job execution
<b>Infrastructure</b>	One or few data centers, heterogeneous/homogeneous resource under central control, Industry and Business	Geographically distributed, heterogeneous resource, no central control, VO Research and academic organization
<b>Middleware</b>	Proprietary, several reference implementations exist (e.g. Amazon)	Well developed, maintained and documented
<b>Application</b>	Suited for generic applications	Special application domains like High Energy Physics
<b>User interface</b>	Easy to use/deploy, no complex user interface required	Difficult use and deployment Need new user interface, e.g., commands, APIs, SDKs, services ...
<b>Business Model</b>	<b>Commercial: Pay-as-you-go</b>	<b>Publicly funded: Use for free</b>
<b>Enabling technology</b>	Virtualization, SaaS, Web 2.0, Web service, ...	HPC, Grid infrastructure, middleware, ...
<b>QoS</b>	Possible	Little support
<b>On-demand provisioning</b>	Yes	No

# Agenda

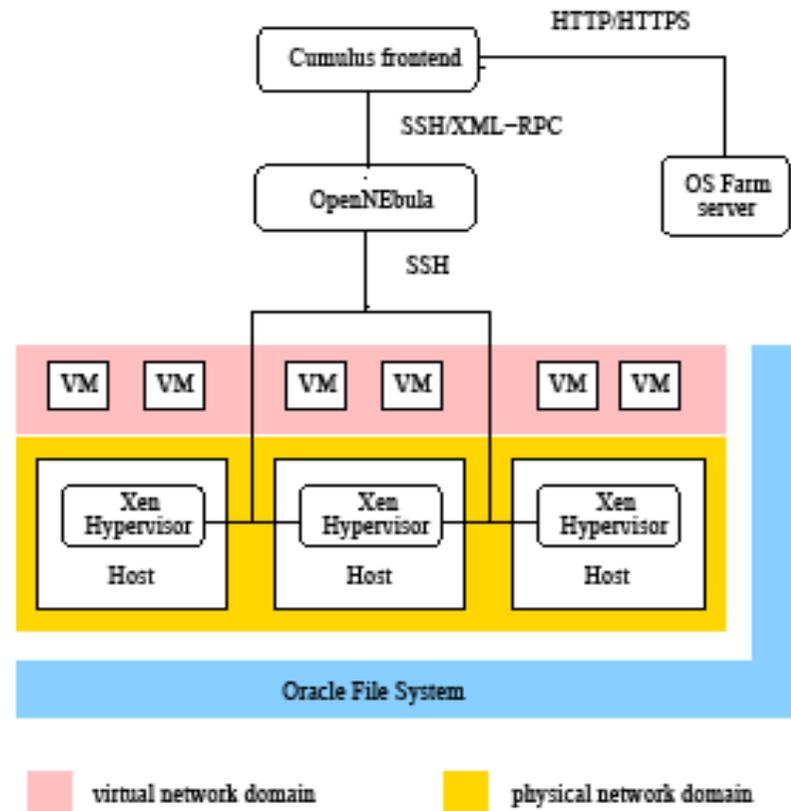
- Build Clouds on Grids ?
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  - Grid as a Service ?



# Virtual Distributed Environment



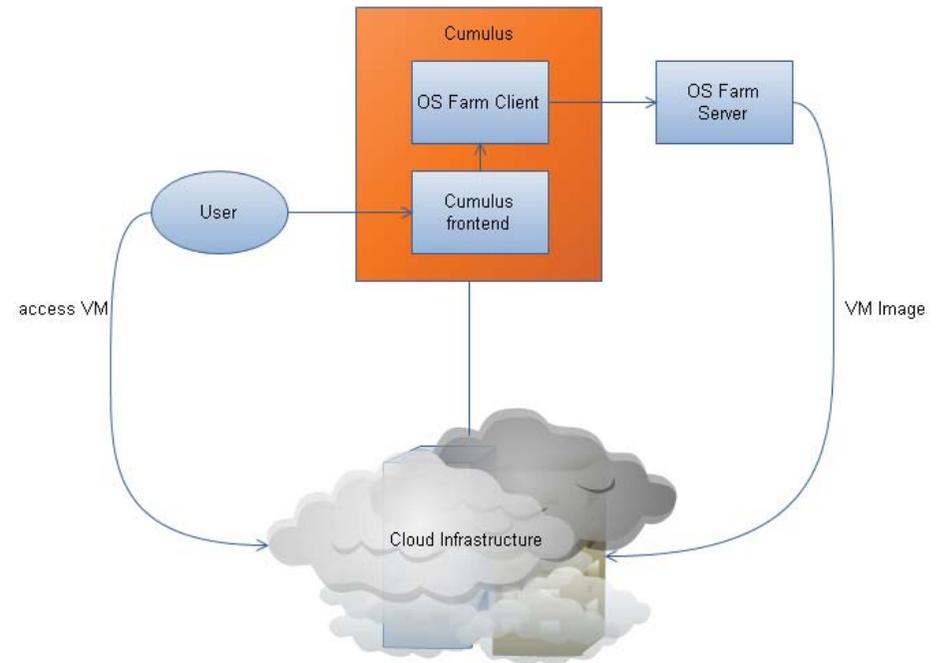
# Cumulus: A Cloud Computing Prototype



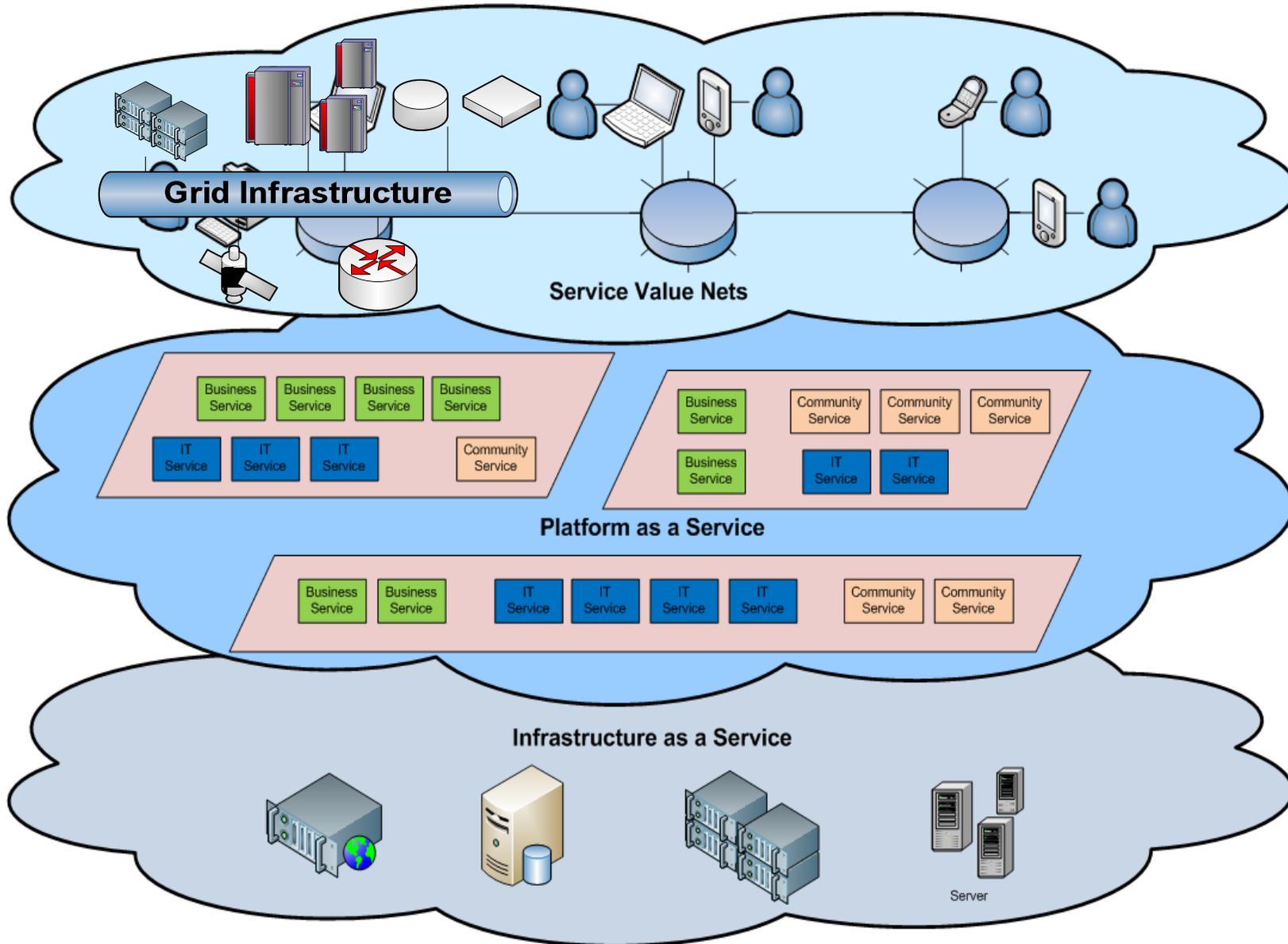
- Presented at CCA08 in Chicago last year
  - Also tried GT4 Virtual Workspace / Nimbus as an alternative to OpenNEbula

# OS Farm as a Platform Provisioning Tool

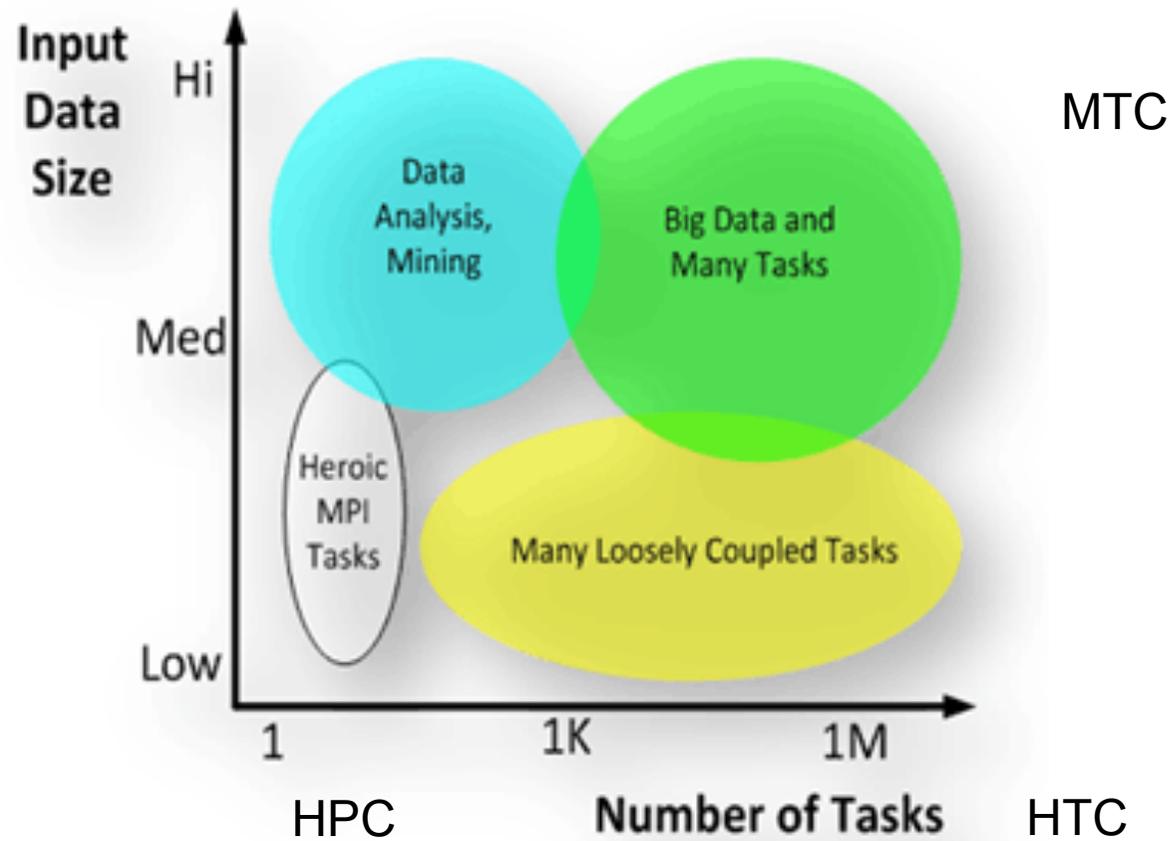
- OS Farm is a development at CERN OpenLab
- OS Farm is a server to generate VM images
- Can accept HTTP requirements, or via *wget*:
  - *Wget http://www.fzk.de/osfarm/create?name=&transfer=http&class=slc\_old&arch=i386&filetype=.tar&group=core&group=base*
- A Java client is embedded in the **Cumulus** frontend to invoke the OS Farm service dynamically.
- OS Farm development has been canceled in favor of CernVM



# Build Grids on Clouds (Grid as a Service) ?

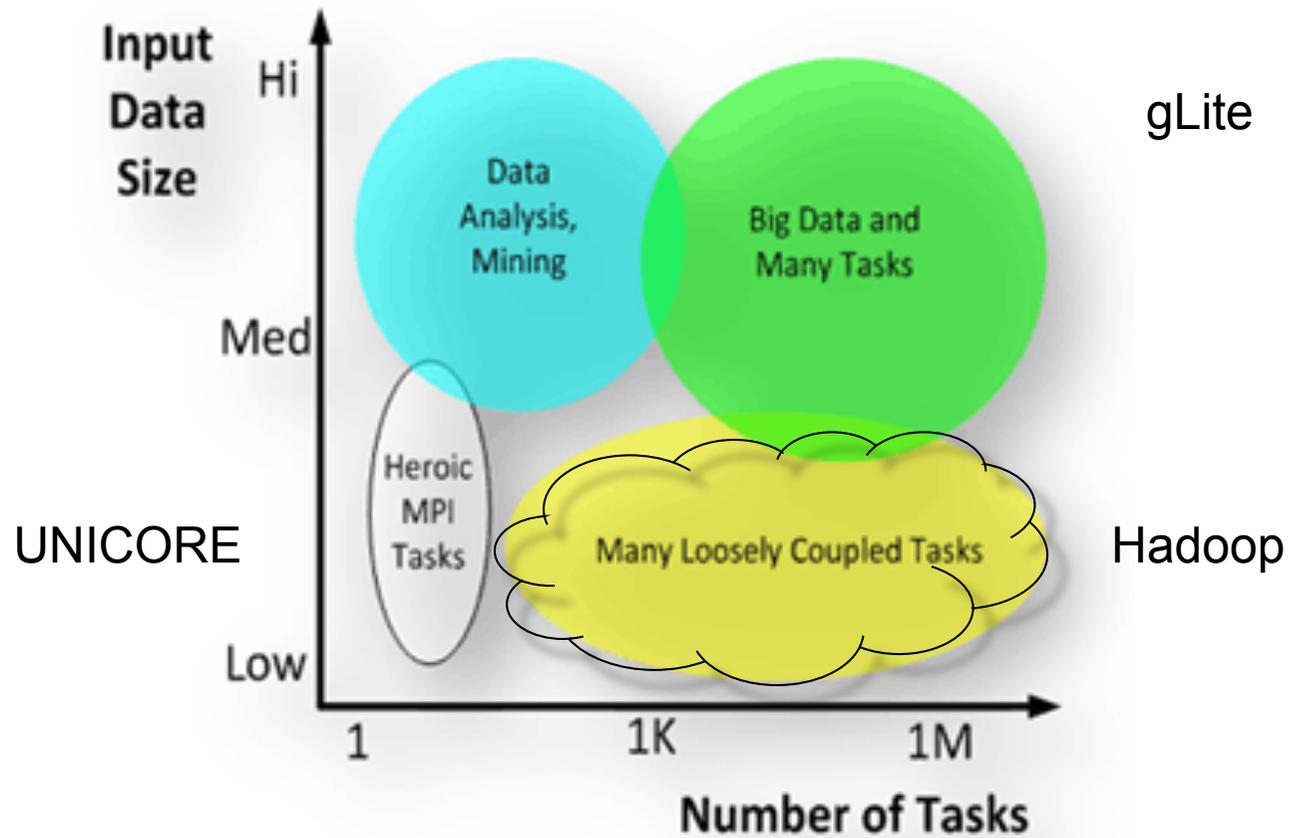


# HPC vs. HTC vs. MTC (Many Task Computing)

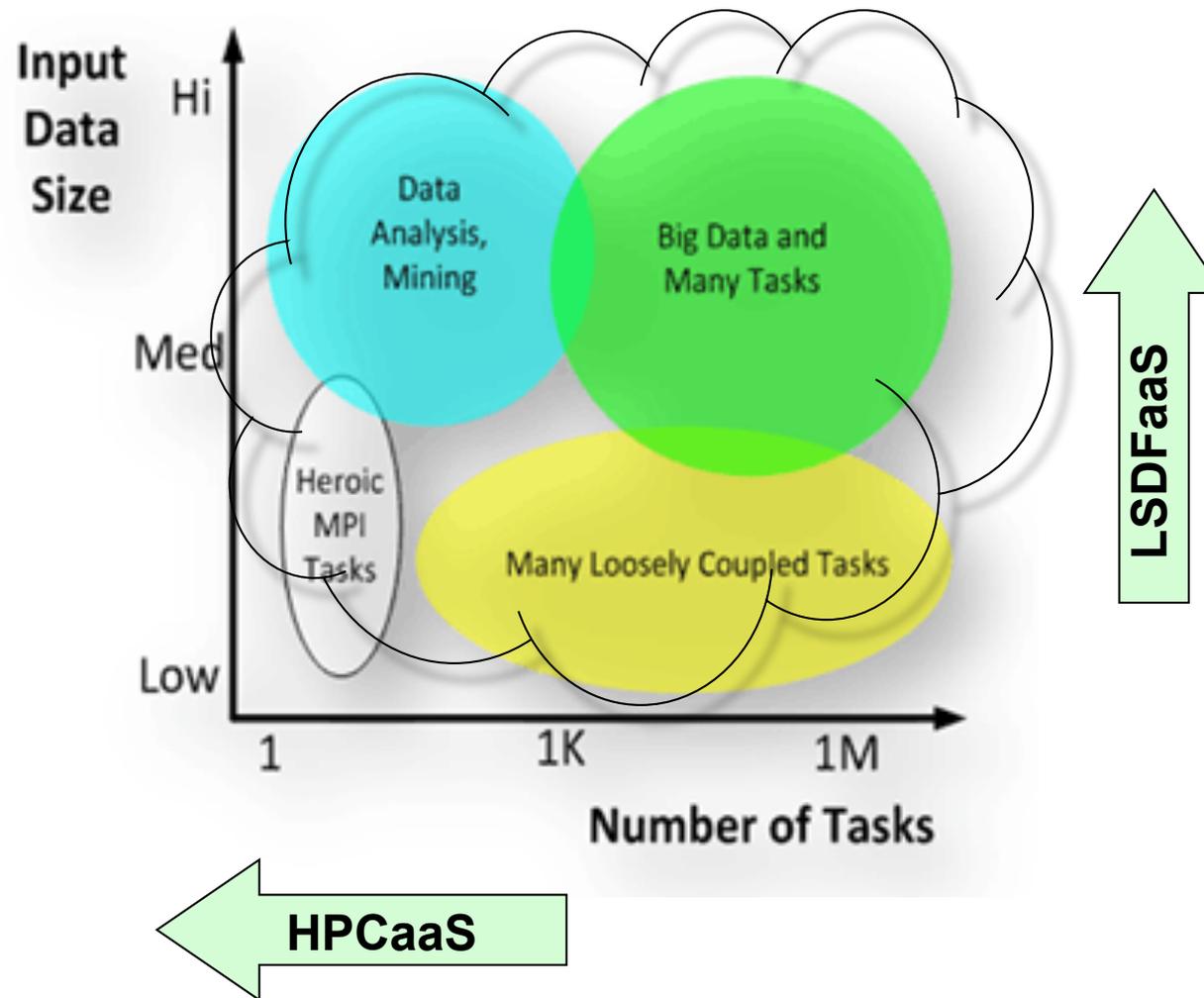


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# The Grid and Cloud Space



# Extension of the Cloud Space

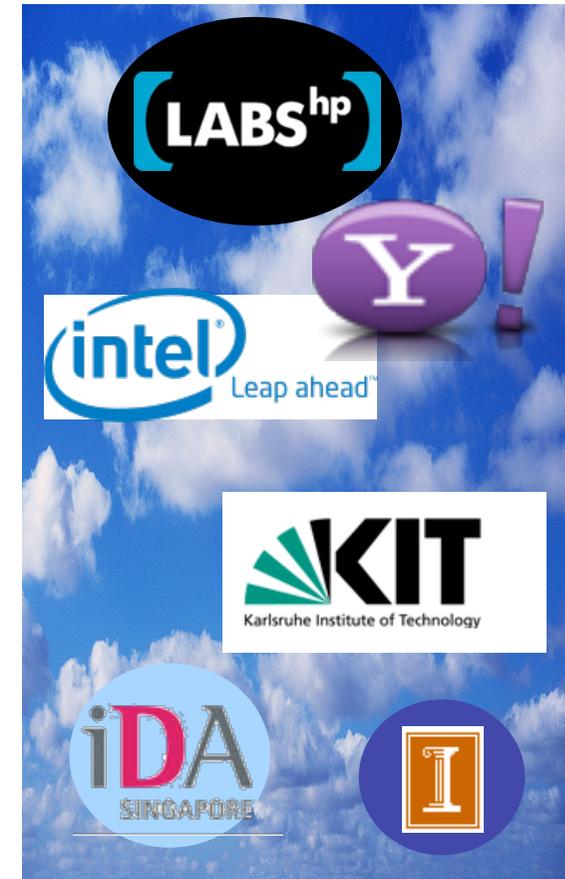


# OpenCirrus Cloud Computing Research Testbed

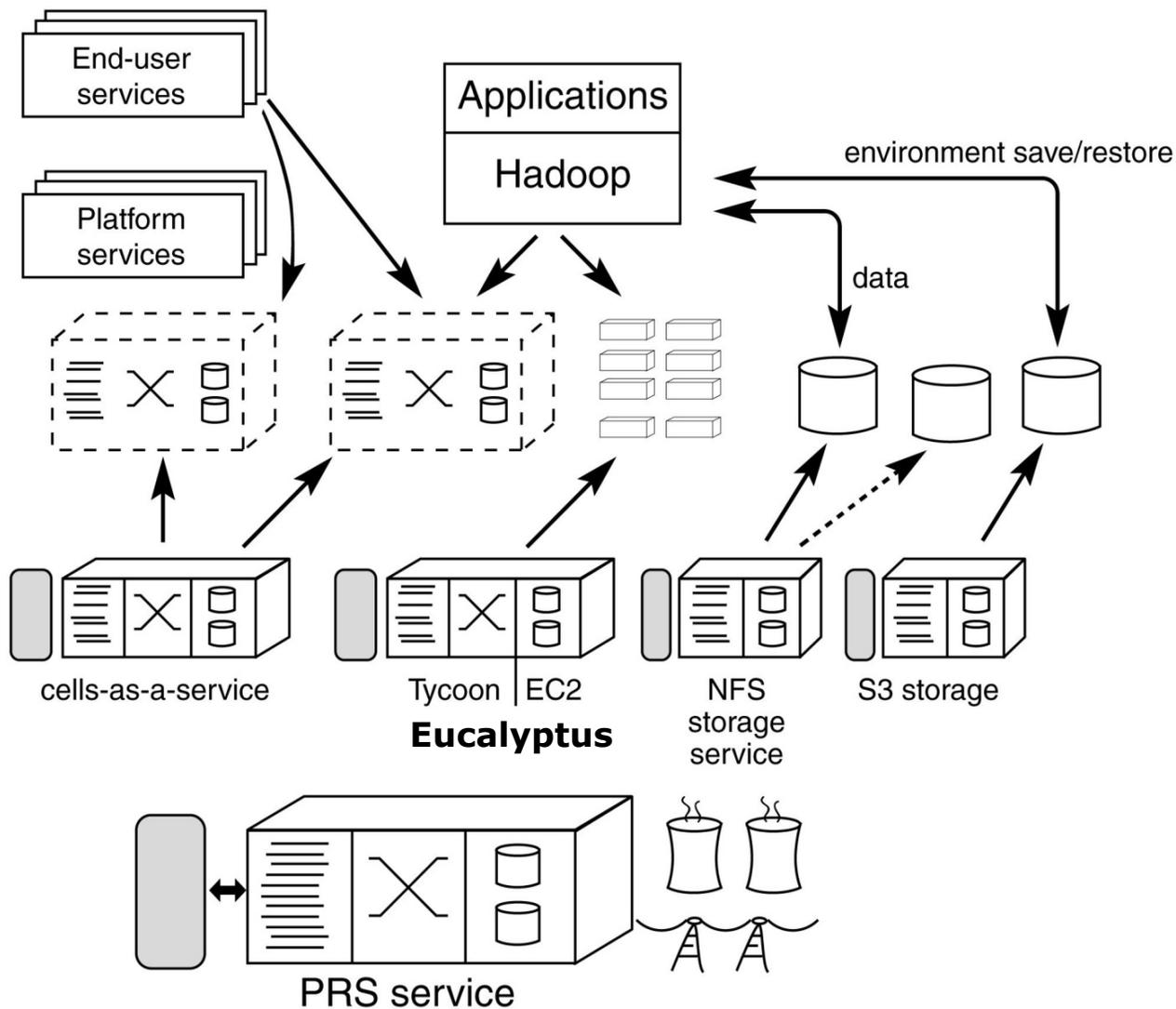
<http://cloudtestbed.com>



- An open, internet-scale global testbed for cloud computing research
  - a tool for collaborative research
  - focus: data center management & cloud services
- Resources:
  - Multi-continent, multi-datacenter, cloud computing system
  - “Centers of Excellence” around the globe
    - each with 100–400+ nodes and up to ~2PB storage
    - and running a suite of cloud services
- Structure: a loose federation
  - Sponsors: HP Labs, Intel Research, Yahoo!
  - Partners: UIUC, Singapore IDA, KIT, NSF
  - Members: System and application development
- Great opportunity for Cloud R&D



# Open Cirrus™ Blueprint



**Cloud Application Services**

**Virtual Resource Sets**

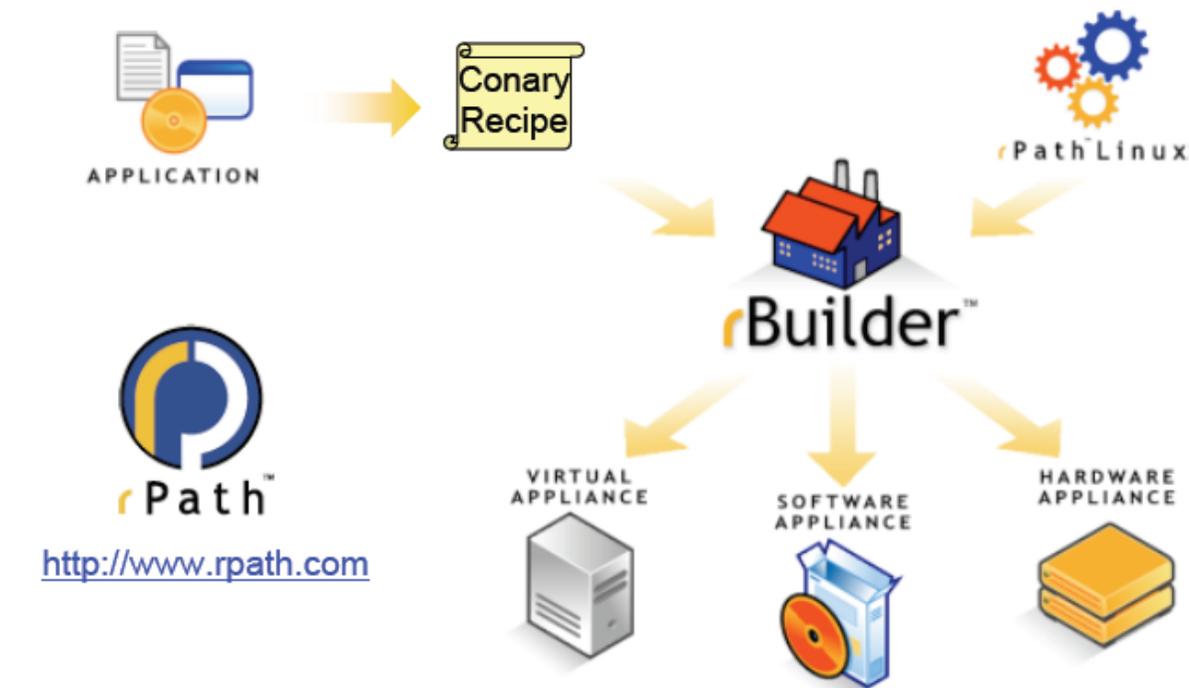
**Cloud Infrastructure Services**

**IT-Infrastructure Layer  
(Physical Resource Sets)**

# Management of Platforms

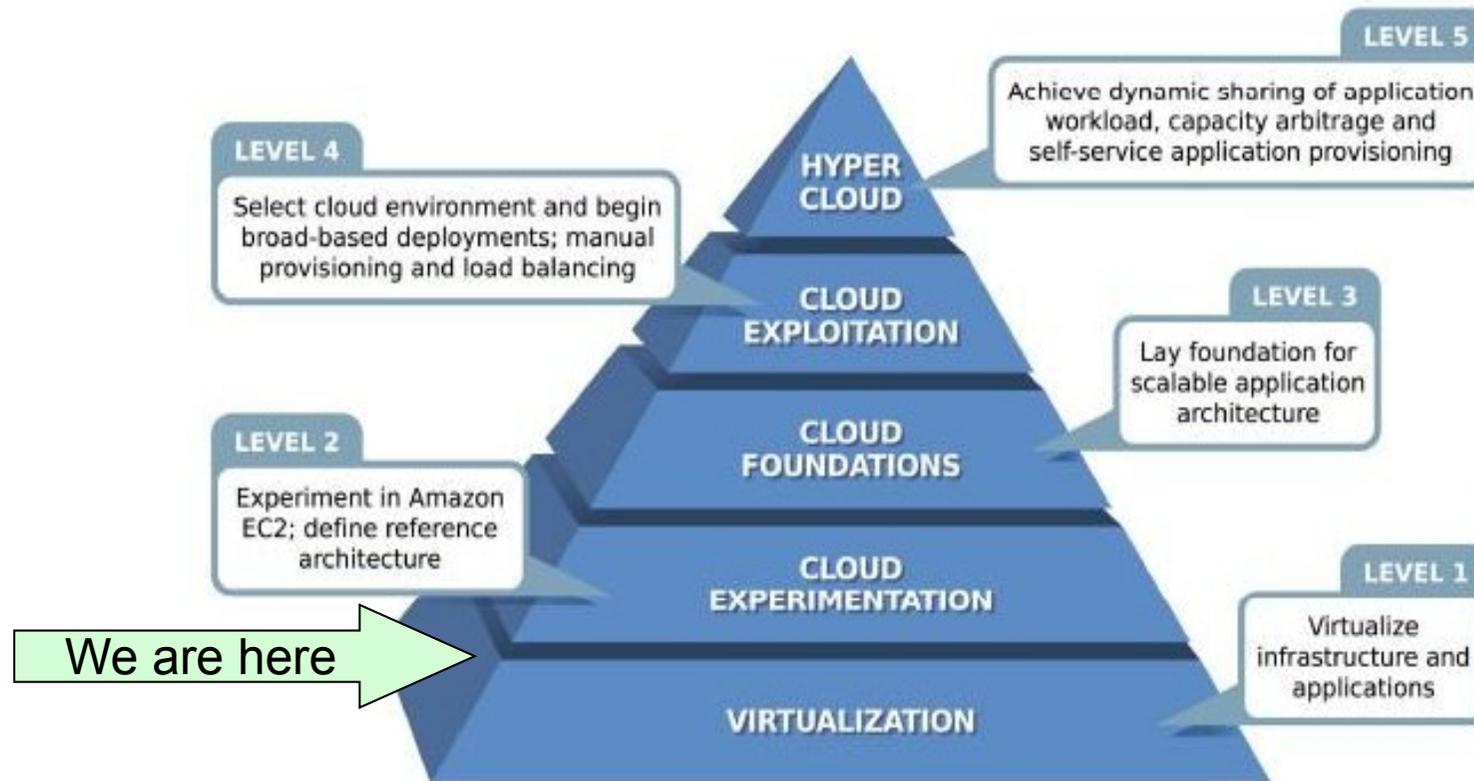
**CernVM**  
Software Appliance

## From Application to Appliance



- Dynamic Generation of Appliances and Templates, see <http://cernvm.cern.ch/>
- Proposal: Integration of CernVM with Eucalyptus for dynamic PaaS

# The Way to Cloud Nirvana



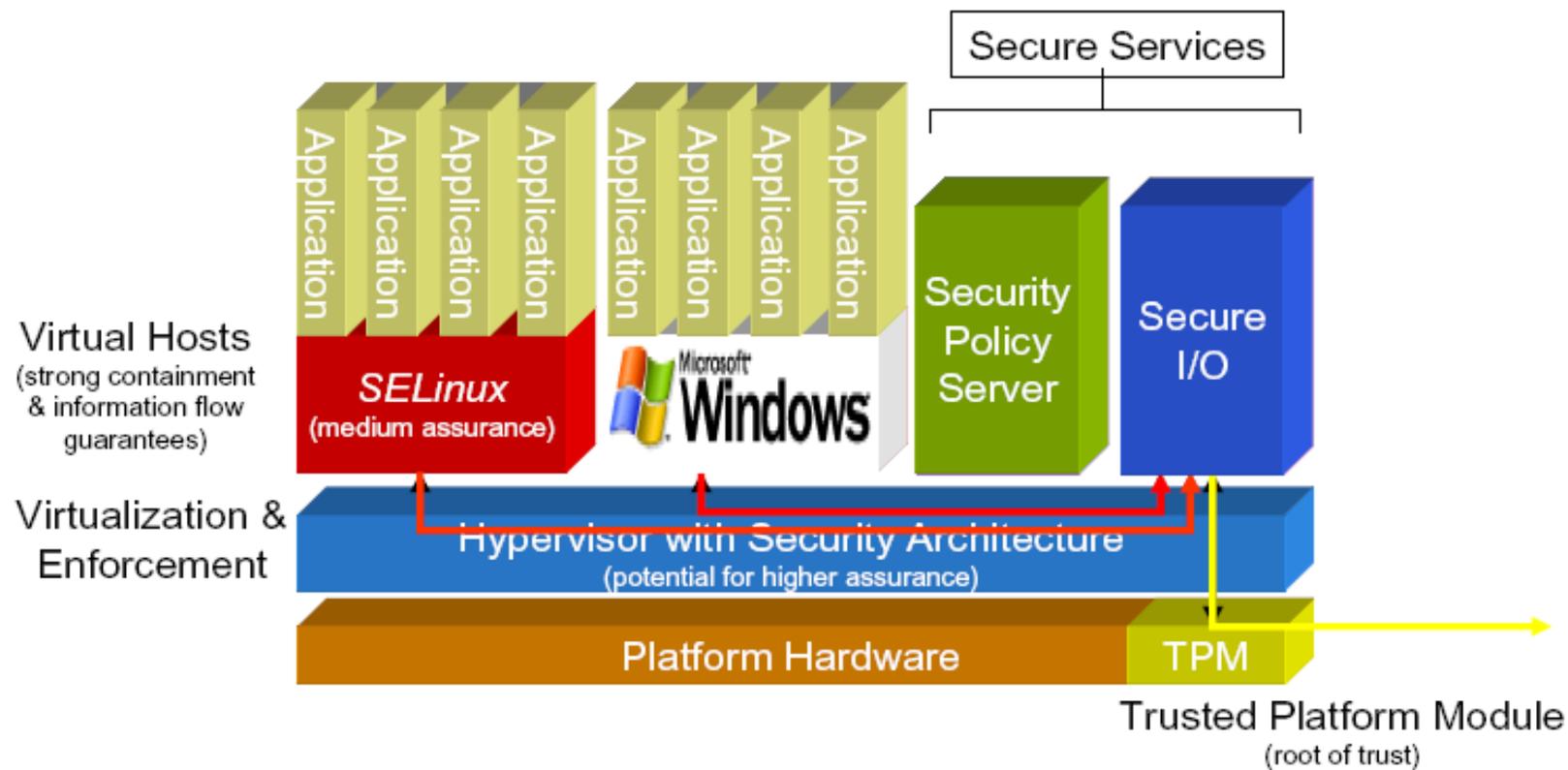
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## ■ Roadmap for Cloud Services at SCC

- Virtualization: Deployment of Eucalyptus 1.4 (EC2, S3)
- Access the Services with OpenID
- Will range from Infrastructure Services to elastic Applications
- Implement Grid as a Service (GaaS)

# Cloud Security: A possible Solution

Hypervisor Security Architecture complements OSES with strong isolation, controlled sharing, & verifiable / attestable environments



Source: IBM

# Summary

- It seems problematic to build Clouds on Grids
  - Inherit Grid complexity (Distributed resources)
  - Expensive
  - No business model
- It looks promising to build Grids on Clouds
  - Fully automated operations (Centralized resources)
  - Economy of scale
  - Business models lead to efficient use of resources
- Actual development
  - An average cloud data center is much larger than the largest grid infrastructure
  - From an economic point of view it looks promising to leverage those resources and implement the legacy Grid interfaces in the cloud
  - Move from manufacture towards industrialization of IT-Services

# Thank you for your attention!

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