Lecture #4

一 云计算入门 Introduction to Cloud Computing GESC1001

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Course schedule

Part I	Introduction and overview
Part 2	Distributed and parallel systems
Part 3	Cloud infrastructure
Part 4	Cloud application paradigm (two lectures)
Part 5	Cloud virtualization and resource management
Part 6 & 7	Cloud computing storage systems Cloud computing security
	Final exam



Introduction

Last week:

 Chapter 3: mutual exclusion (互斥) + cloud infrastructure (e.g. Amazon).

Today:

- Review
- Chapter 4: Cloud application paradigm (part I)

3-CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE (BRIEF REVIEW)



Last week, we discussed the infrastructure (基础结构) of a popular cloud provider (云提供商) named Amazon.

It is one of the pioneers for the "*Infrastructure-as-a-service*" model



Introduction

- Amazon Web Service (AWS https://aws.amazon.com/).
- It offers various services.
- One of the most popular is EC2.
- It allows to pay to use virtual machines (虚拟机) in the cloud.

What is a virtual machine (虚拟机)?

It is an application that works like a computer inside a real computer.



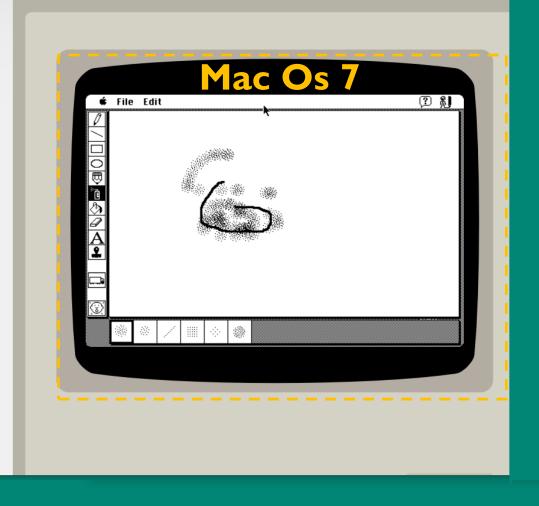
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PCE.js Mac Plus emulator running Mac OS System 7 — a hack by James Friend



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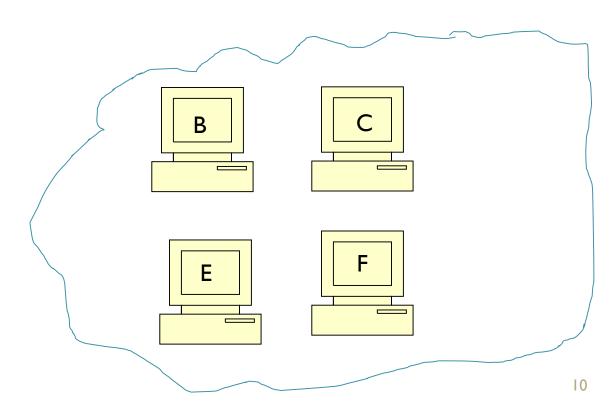
Amazon EC2

- The user must create a virtual machine image (虚拟机镜像) (called AMI, Amazon Machine Image).
- It contains the operating system (操作系统) and the application(s) that the user wants to run.
- The user can start several virtual machines (instances - 实例) using an image.
- The user can stop a virtual machine.

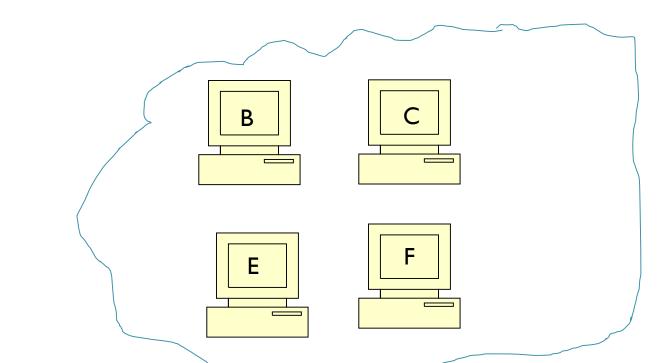


An **image (**虚拟机镜像) is the state of a computer that has been saved into a file

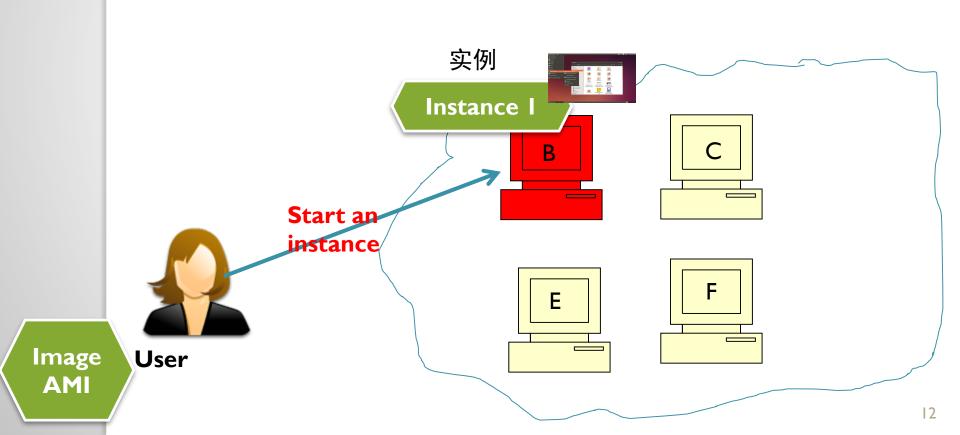




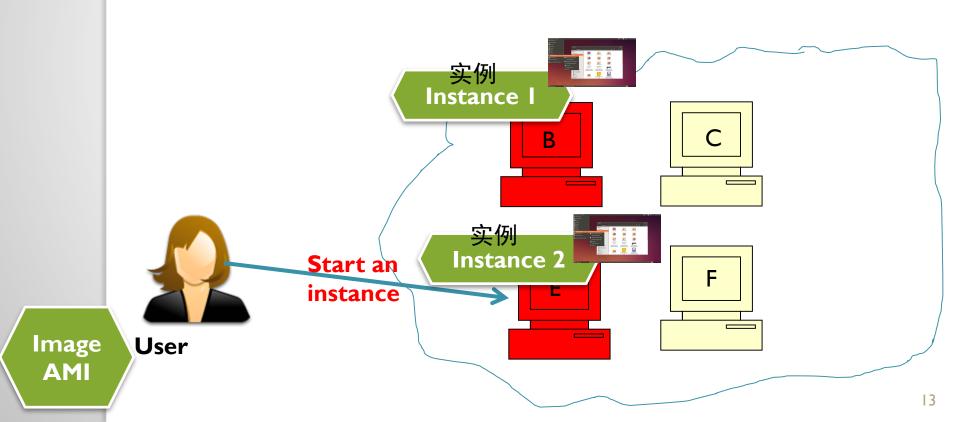




An image (虚拟机镜像) can be used to start an instance in the cloud (a virtual machine虚拟机)

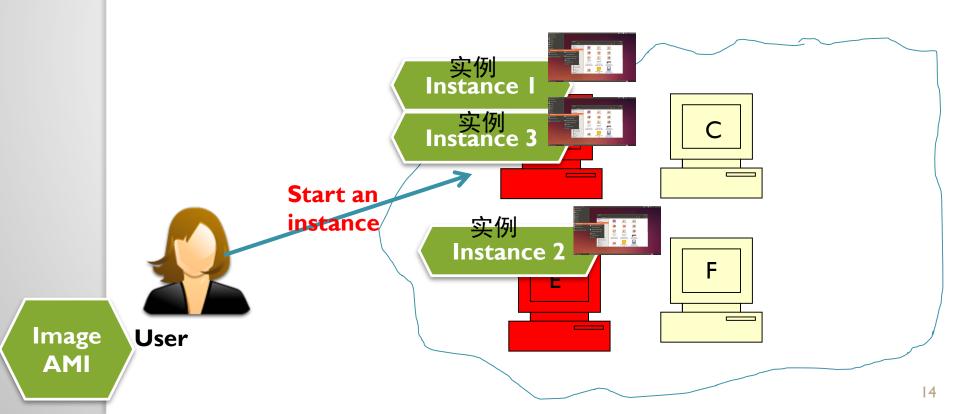


The same image can be used to start many instances

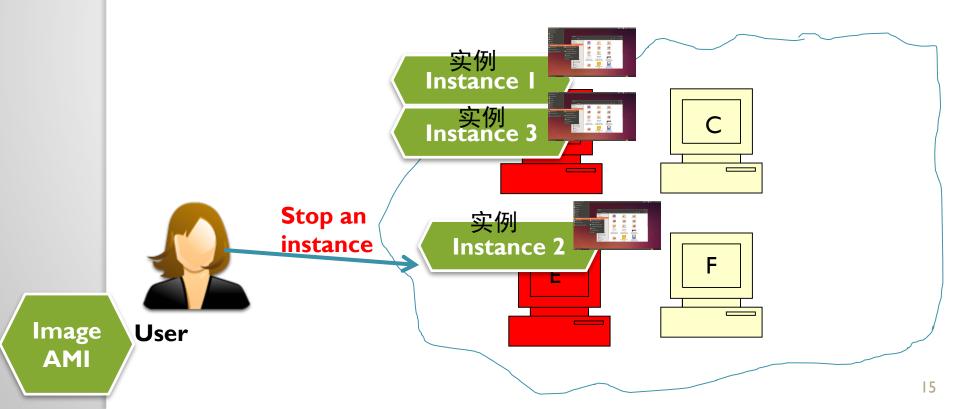




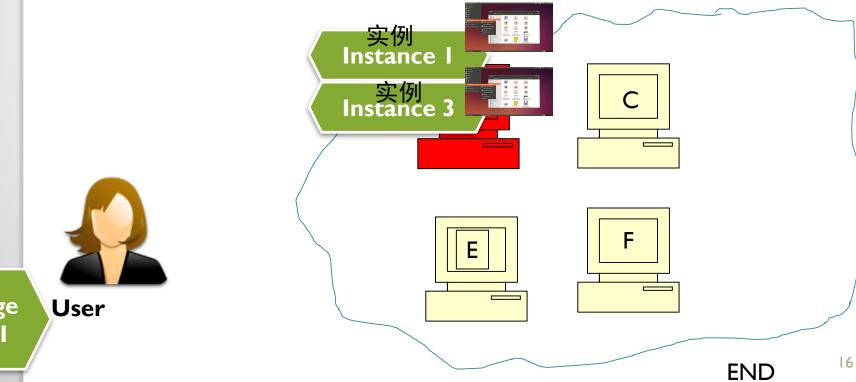
Multiple instances can be run on the same computer



The user can **stop** an instance. The user can **restart** an instance.







Important features of the Amazon Cloud

- It can be used for elastic computing (弹性计算)
- It can perform load-balancing (负载平衡), that is make sure that work is shared between instances
- Various technologies to store data in the cloud (S3, EBS, SimpleDB...).
- Offers a website called CloudWatch to manage your computers in the cloud \rightarrow

Sensor CloudWatch

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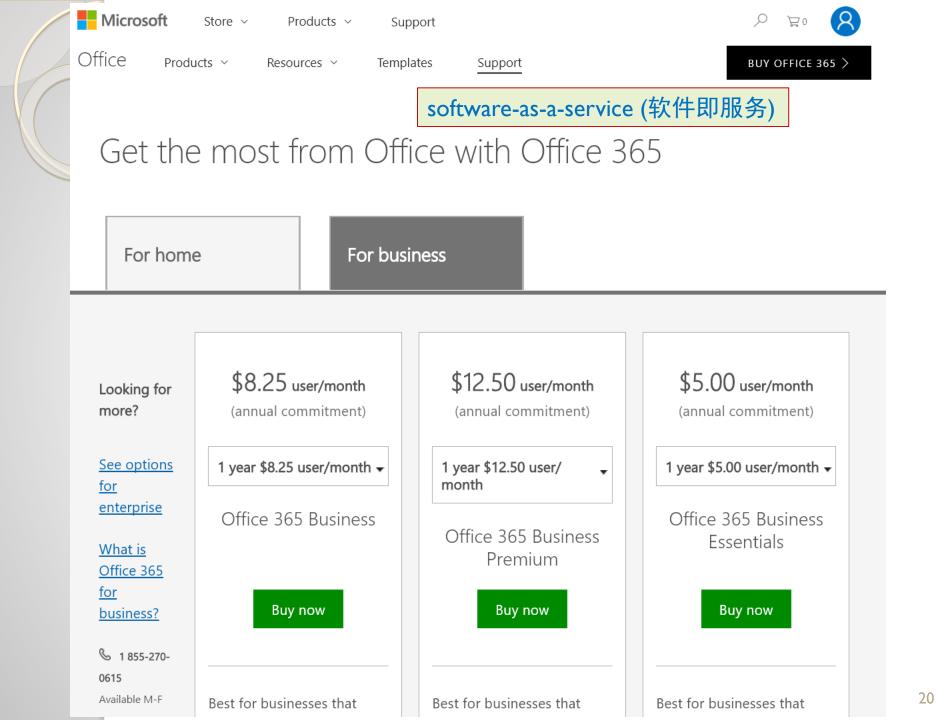
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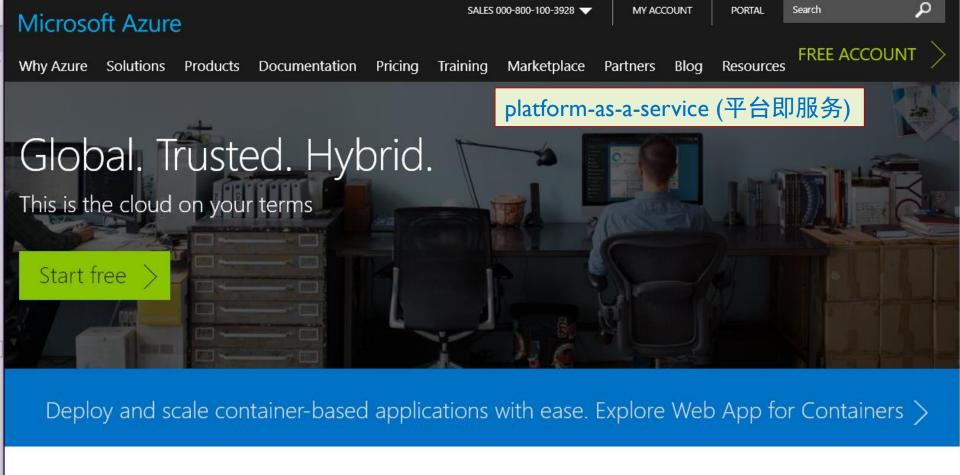
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Microsoft

- Microsoft Online services: software-as-a-service (软件即服务) (e.g. Hotmail, Office365...)
- Microsoft Azure:
 - platform-as-a-service (平台即服务)
 - Windows Azure: an operating system (操作系统)
 - **SQLAzure**: a database (数据库) for storing data based on SQLServer
 - AzureAppFabric: a collection of services for cloud applications

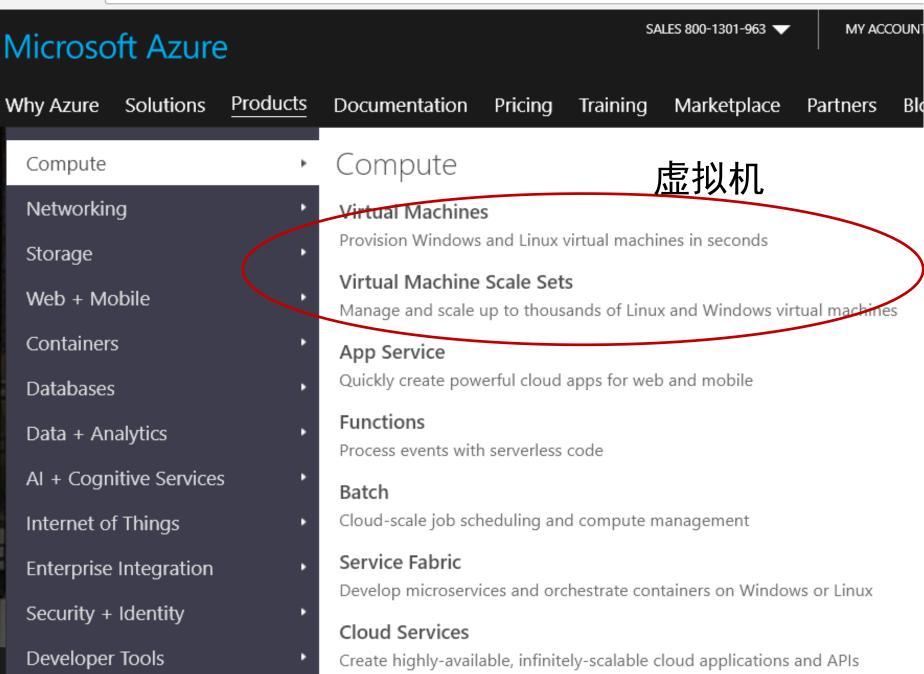




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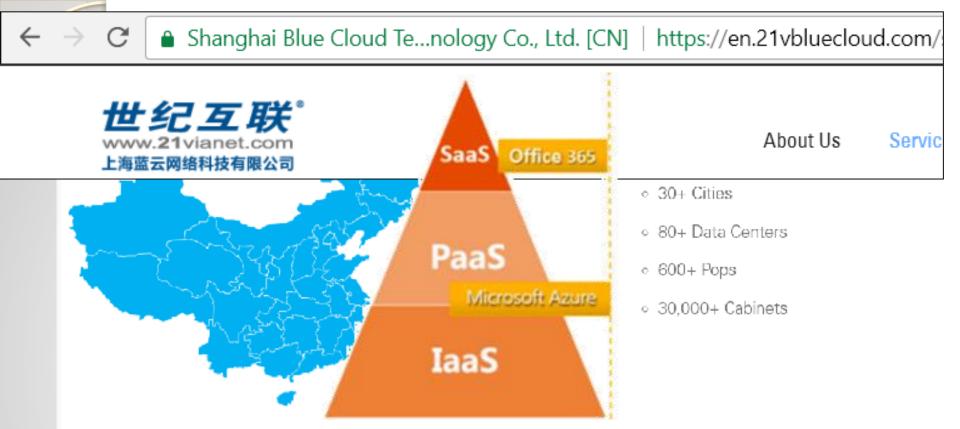
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Web + Mobile	Load Balancer 负载平衡 Deliver high availability and network performance to your applications
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- The first international standard cloud computing services used in domestic commercial area.
- More than 80 thousand local corporate customers.
- Provide a financial guarantee monthly 99.9% SLA service level agreement guarantee.
- Provide 7x24 hours of rapid response services for customers with data center support, cloud platform operations, customer support, compliance consulting services.





 ↓ Power BI 由世紀互联演員 Microsoft Azure 曲世紀互联演員

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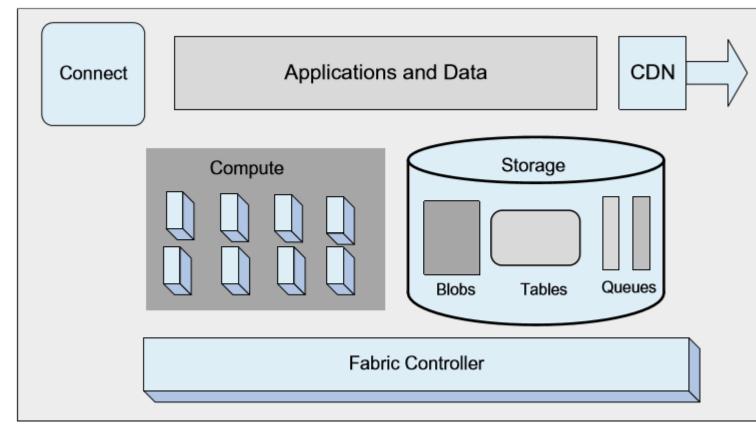
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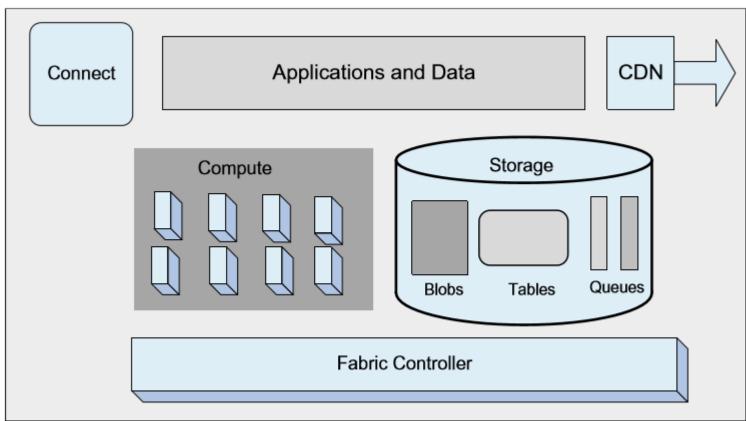
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Three main components:

- **Computers**: provides a computation environment
- Storage: scalable storage (可扩展的存储)
- Fabric Controller: deploys, manages, and monitors applications; it interconnects servers, high-speed connections, and switches (网络交换机)



- Storage uses blobs, tables, and queues to store data,
- Fabric controller: provides scaling, load balancing, memory management (内存管理), and reliability (可靠性)
- CDN: maintains cache (缓存) copies of data, for faster access.

blob = up to I terabyte (TB) of data

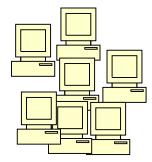
• 4 – CLOUD APPLICATIONS (PART I)



Introduction

- We will discuss **how applications (**应用) **are developed** for the cloud.
- **Goal:** understand how programmers develop cloud applications.
 - Standard applications (应用): run on a single computer.
 - Cloud applications (云应用):
 - run on one or more computers,
 - possibility of sharing the workload (工作负载),
 - a type of distributed application 分布式应用.







Introduction

Developing applications for the cloud is more challenging than developing applications for **a desktop computer**.

Why? \rightarrow

How to develop a desktop application (桌面应用)?

- A programmer discusses with users to understand their needs (用户需求), and know what type of application should be developed.
- The programmer write the application using a programming language (编程语言)
 (e.g. C++, Java...).
- 3. The programmer will **test** the application(应用测试)





How to develop a desktop application (桌面应用)?

 The programmer will **deliver** the application to the user (应用交付).



 If necessary, the programmer will find and fix problems in the application (debug - 调试) or add new features.

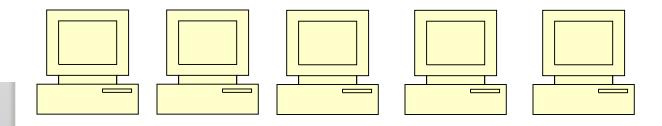


How to develop a cloud application (云应用)? Key differences

- The cloud is a parallel (并联系统) and distributed system (分布式系统).
- A cloud application must be able to run on multiple computers at the same time to share the workload.

Developing a cloud application

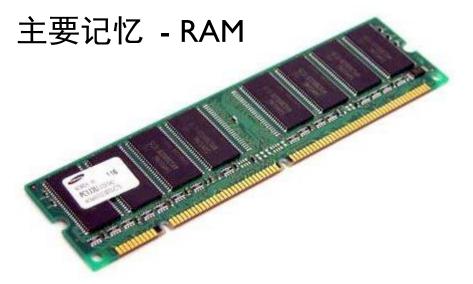
- The development of a cloud application follows a similar process to the development of a desktop application.
- However, developing a cloud application is done using specific programming languages or technologies, to be able to use the cloud and its benefits (load balancing, cloud storage, etc.)
- For example, an application can be designed in the Java programming language using the Hadoop framework for developing cloud applications, and using cloud storage.



- Challenge I: speed imbalance (速度不平衡)
- A desktop computer can quickly access data in its memory.
- Accessing data in main memory

 (主要记忆 RAM) is faster than on a hard drive
 (硬盘驱动器 HD),
 which is faster than on a computer network
 (计算机网络).

 Thus, accessing some data may be slower than accessing some other data. This is called speed imbalance.



hard drive (硬盘驱动器)



- In the cloud, speed imbalance is greater.
- Accessing data can sometimes be very slow because of various reasons (slow network speed, computers are busy, etc.)

Challenge 2: difficult to predict the performance

- The performance of a cloud application can be measured in terms of:
 - computer performance,
 - network performance,
 - other aspects.

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• The performance of a cloud application may be unpredictable or fluctuate with time.

WHY? →

Why?

- the cloud is often used by many users at the same time.
- users may run applications on the same computer(s),
- users often use the same network as other users.

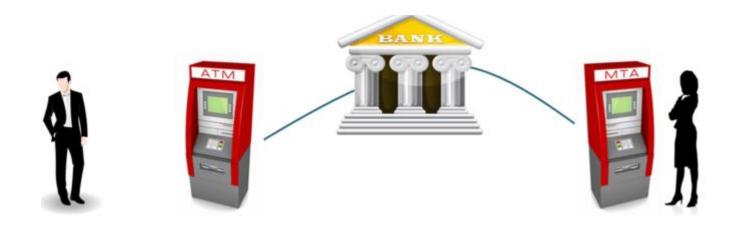
Besides, a cloud application will **not perform well if** a **huge amount of communication** must be performed between computers.

Challenge 3 : data storage

- Developers of cloud applications must also think carefully about how data will be stored in the cloud.
- Three important questions:
 - how the data will be stored
 (in what kind of database 数据库? or files?...)
 - where the data will be stored (how many computers?, where? ...) ?
 - will the data be replicated (multiple copies of the data? – 数据复制)?

Challenge 4: complex errors may occur

Complex problems may occur when several computers are working together:
 (e.g. concurrent accesses, livelocks, unfairness...)



- It is difficult to ensure that a parallel application (并行应用) will work correctly (that it has no bugs 缺陷)
- When problem occurs in a parallel system, it is **difficult to find the reasons** because
 - many events occur at the same time.
 - the interaction between computers may be complex.
- A solution: record logs (日志)

Other challenges

- Cloud technologies are rapidly changing.
- Hence, cloud applications developers may need to learn new technologies.
 - Hadoop, Spark, etc.
- Some technologies may be proprietary to some companies (e.g. Microsoft, Amazon).

Why developing cloud applications?

We should develop a cloud application instead of a desktop application:

- for large applications where we want to use as many servers as required to provide a reliable service which respect time constraints.
- when we do not want to buy many computers and infrastructure,
- when the application needs to process large amount of data (big data 大数据)

Why developing cloud applications?

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 when the workload can be partitioned in segments of arbitrary size that can be processed in parallel by servers in the cloud.

Note: It is **desirable** that the workload can be divided in an **arbitrary number of segments**, so that as many computers as needed may be used

Example of cloud applications

 Cloud applications are often
 compute-intensive (计算密集型) and data-intensive (数据密集型)

• Examples:

- a search engine like **Baidu** and **Bing** must
 - collect data about all websites on the internet and store this data in a large database,
 - quickly answer requests made by millions of users at the same time,

Example of cloud applications

- websites for storing and sharing videos like Youku and Tudou have to:
 - perform many tasks related to video processing (视频处理)(compressing videos, analyzing the content of videos, etc.),
 - quickly **deliver video**s to users from different geographical areas.
- some companies will perform "data mining" (数据挖掘), that is extract interesting knowledge hidden in large databases. For example: analyze the behavior of customers in a retail store.

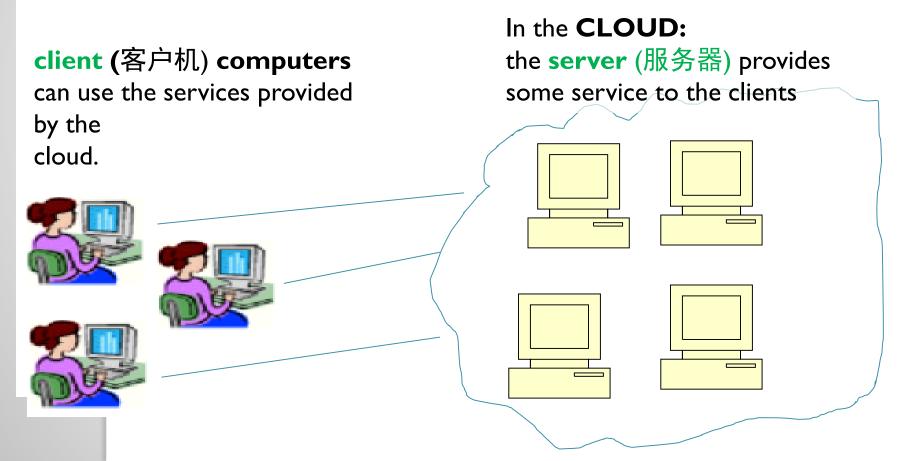
Example of cloud applications

Other examples:

- generate daily, weekly, monthly, annual activity reports related to manufacturing, economy, etc.,
- inventory management (库存管理) for large companies,
- billing, payroll
- Websites
- web applications (Yahoo Mail, 163 e-mail, etc.)
- Provide services to mobile applications (Baidu Maps...)

Architectural styles for cloud applications

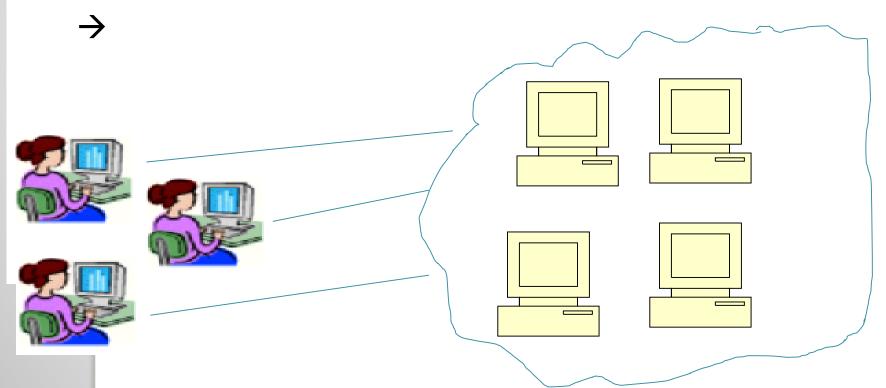
Cloud applications adopt a **client-server architecture** (客户机-服务器体系结构).





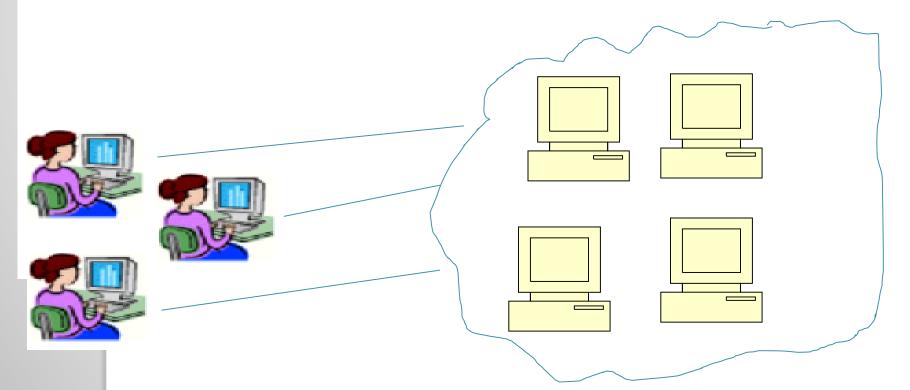
Stateless server (无状态服务器)

 A server (服务器) does not "remember" the communication with clients. It processes each message as a new and independent message .



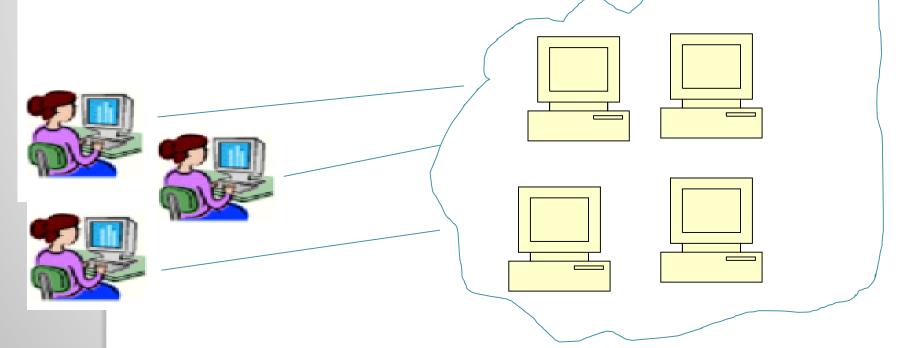
Stateless servers

- It is more scalable (可扩展的).
- We can add more servers to answer request by clients. Any servers can answer any requests by any clients.
- Easier to recover after a server failure



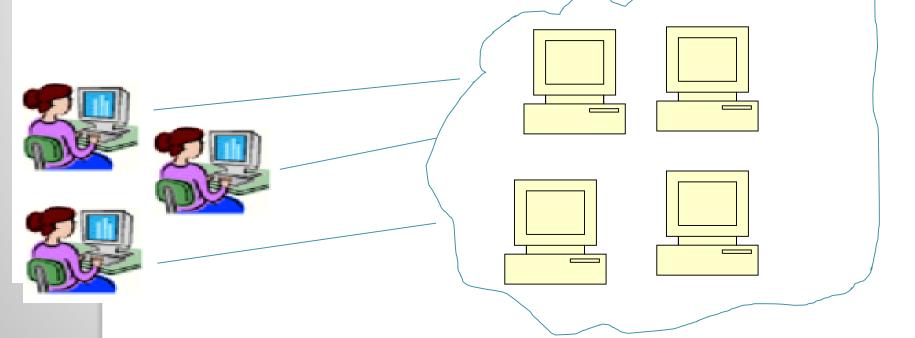
Stateless servers

- A client does not need to consider the state of the server. If a server does not answer, the client can send the request again and it can be processed by another server.
- To avoid some security problems (if a server would reserve space for each client, a hacker could try to overload a server (e.g. by opening many TCP connections).



How to communicate?

- It is desirable that cloud applications can communicate with other computers using different technologies (e.g. SOAP messages can be sent using TCP, UDP, SMTP, JMS.. Protocols for communications)
- REST is a popular technology for communicating in the cloud (I will not talk about the details of such technology)



Coordination of multiple activities

- Cloud applications often require the completion of multiple interdependent (相互依存) tasks.
- The description of a complex activity involving such an ensemble of tasks is called a workflow (工作流).
- Coordination (协调) is thus necessary.



Example - cooking



How can a task be represented?

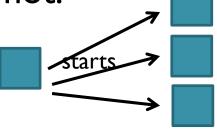
- **Name**: the name of the task
- Description: a description of the task in natural language (e.g. Chinese, English)
- Preconditions (先决条件): some conditions that must be true before the task can be performed
- **Postconditions** (后置条件): some conditions that become true after the task has been performed.
- Attributes (属性): resources necessary to perform the task
- Exceptions (异常): how abnormal events should be handled?



Some types of tasks

• Composite task: a task that is composed of several tasks that must be accomplished according to some order.

• Routing task: a task that has for purpose of triggering the start of multiple other tasks simultaneously or not.

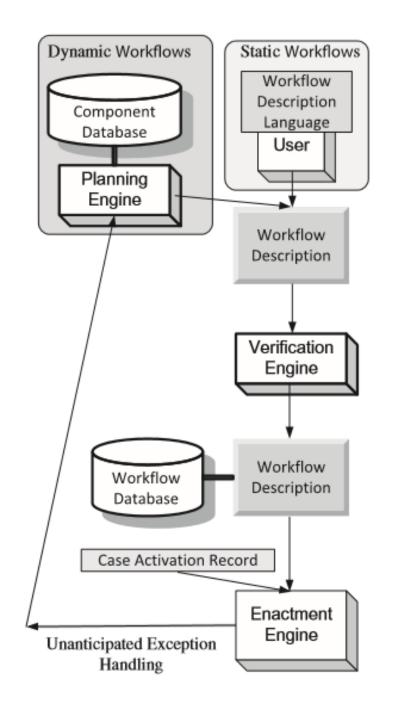


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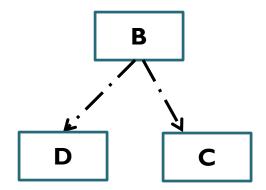
Organizing tasks as workflows

- All tasks can be organized in a workflow.
- Some languages like WFDL (Workflow Definition Language) allows to define workflows.

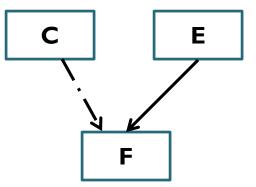


A system based on workflows may work as follows:

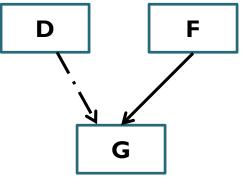
- I) The user specify a **workflow**.
- 2) Or a **planning engine** can be used to generate a workflow
- 3) A verification engine may check that the workflow is syntactically correct.
- 4) Then the enactment engine will execute (do) the workflow
- 5) If errors occur, the plan may be changed.



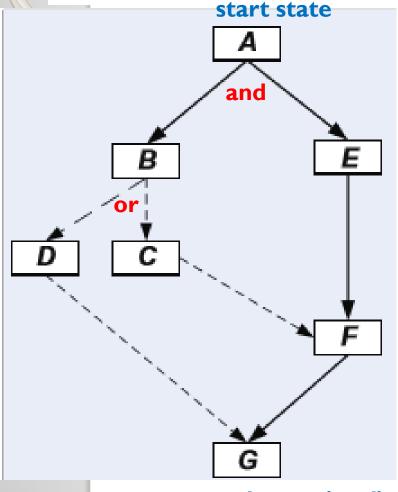
After B, we can choose either D or C



C and E must be performed before F



D and F must be performed before G



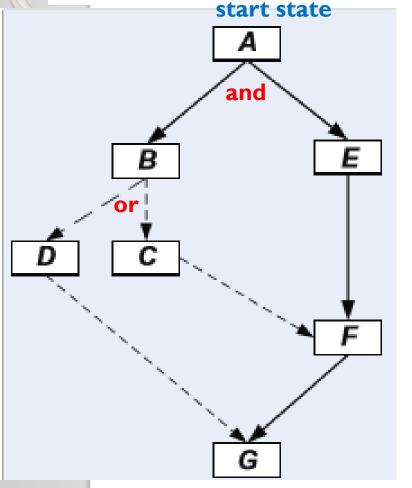
end state (goal)

A workflow can also be represented as a state-transition diagram (状态转换图):

- each node is a state,
- each arrow between two nodes is a transition,
- there is a start state and an end state

← Is this a good workflow?

NOTE: G is a goal (it is not a task!)

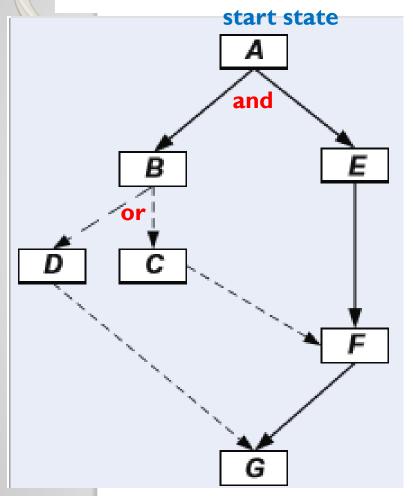


end state (goal)

No.

This problem can occur:

- If task **D** is chosen after the completion of **B**, then **F** will never be performed.
- The reason is that **C** and **E** must be performed before **F**.
- Thus the workflow will never be completed.



end state (goal)

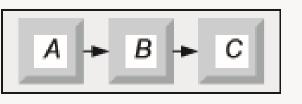
But if task **C** is chosen after the completion of **B**, then there is no problem.

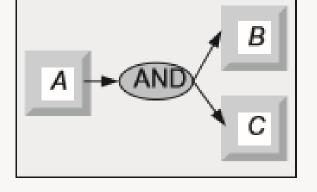
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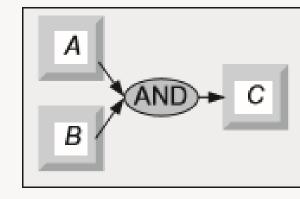


Patterns to define a workflow

Several types of *patterns* can be used to define a workflow. For example:





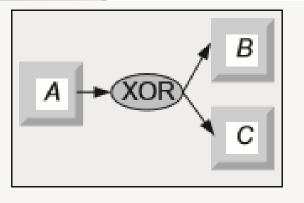


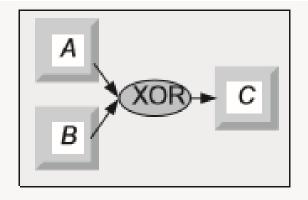
A, B and C must be performed sequentially

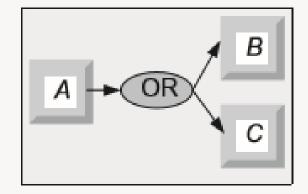
A must be performed and then both B and C A and B must be performed before C



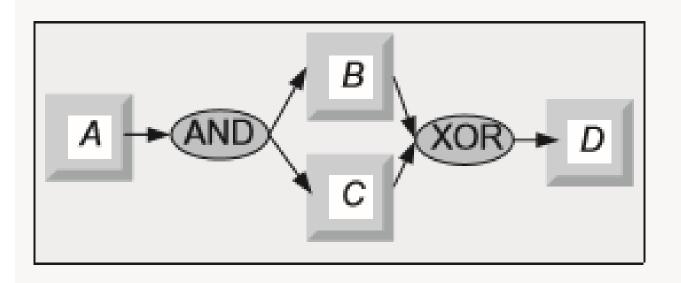
Patterns to define a workflow





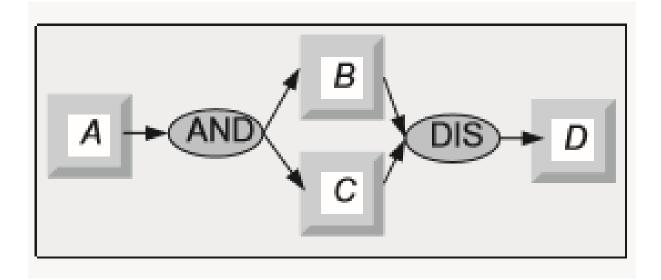


A must be performed and then either B or C The task C is performed when either A or B are completed. A must be performed before B or C, or both B and C



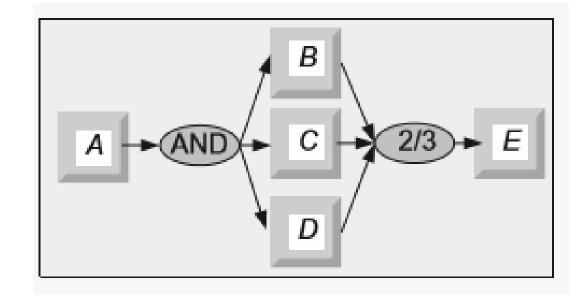
A will be executed and then **B** and **C**.

D will be activated after the completion of **B**, and it will be also activated after the completion of **C**.



A will be executed and then B and C. When at least B or C is completed, D will be activated.

Then, when **D** is completed, it is necessary to wait that **B** and **C** are both completed if they were not already.



A will be executed and then **B**, **C**, and **D**.

When two of the three tasks **B**, **C** or **D** are completed, the task **E** will be activated

Workflow management (工作流管理)

- An enactment engine (执行引擎) can be used to execute a workflow.
- Given a set of computer instances in the cloud, the enactment engine will assign tasks to the computer instances.
- Resources will be assigned to the computer instances.
- Workflow can be static (静态)or they can be dynamic (动态) (they can be modified when needed)

Two workflow management models

Strong coordination:

- There is a computer instance that acts as a supervisor (the boss!) of all the other instances.
- It ensures that the workflow is respected.
- Hierarchical coordination: several levels of supervisors (as in a company)

• Benefits:

 the supervisor can dynamically modify the workflow by stopping some tasks when needed

(e.g when it receives a request).

This model does not require much communication

Two workflow management models

Weak coordination:

- There is <u>no</u> supervisor.
- Computer instances communicates with each other to share information about the tasks that have been completed.
- Different ways to do that.
- Each computer may have a copy of the workflow.
- It is more difficult to adapt the workflow dynamically.

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The Zoo Keeper model

Coordination is crucial for cloud applications.

- There exist many coordination models (协调模型).
- They depend on the task, the type of data storage, how recovery is performed after an error, etc.
- We will discuss the popular **Zoo Keeper model** \rightarrow



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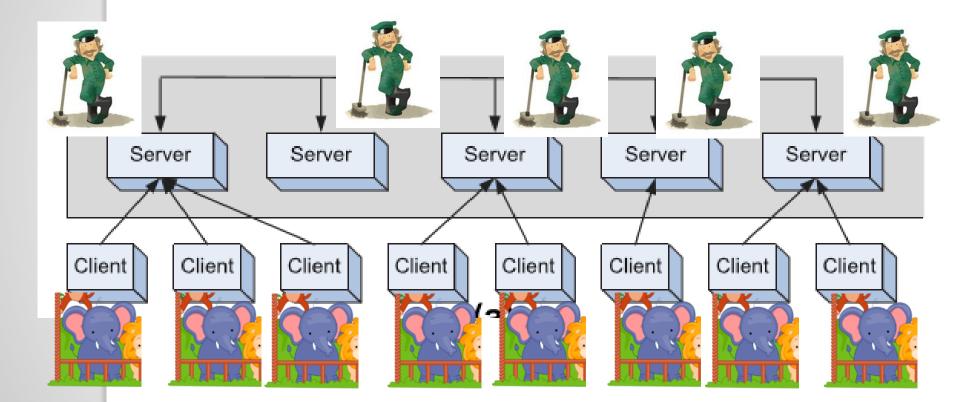
The Zoo Keeper model

- **Zookeper** is a service for coordinating large-scale distributed system.
- Written with the **Java** programming language
- <u>http://zookeeper.apache.org/</u>
- To use ZooKeeper, it must be downloaded and installed on multiple servers.



 Then clients can connect to any ZooKepper server to access the coordination service.







The servers communicate with one another to elect a leader.



• A database (数据库) is replicated on all servers to keep multiple copies of the data used to coordinate the tasks.





- Each client:
 - always communicate with the same server
 - synchronize its clock with the server.
 - can **read** or **write** data to servers

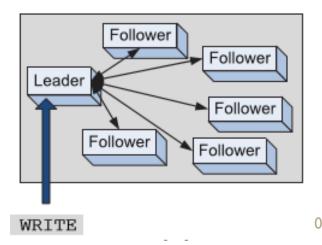


Reading data

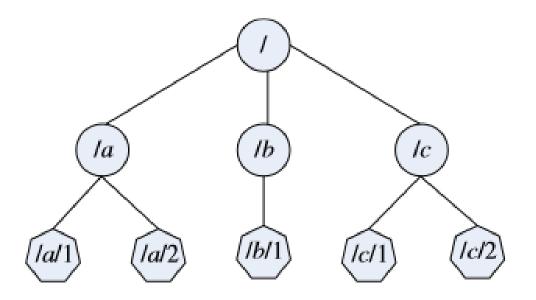
- **Reading data** from any server returns the same data, since each server has a copy of the database.
- Because there are multiple servers, reading data can be fast.
- A client typically connect to the closest server.

Writing data is more complicated.

- When a client ask to write data, the **leader** will ask all other servers to write the same data.
- Each server will update its local copy of the database.
- This ensures that all servers always have the same database



- The database stores data in a tree.
- Each node in the tree has a name and can store data.
- Clients can read/write data in the tree.



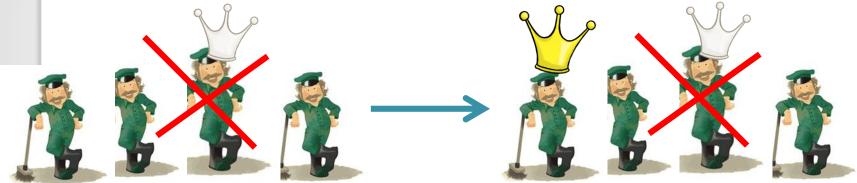
Technical details: ZooKeeper is organized as a shared hierarchical namespace in which a name is a sequence of path elements separated by a backslash.

Only seven operations can be performed on the tree:

- create add a node at a given location on the tree.
- delete delete a node.
- get data read data from a node.
- set data write data to a node.
- get children retrieve a list of the children of the node.
- *synch* wait for the data to propagate.



If the leader fails (crash), then a new leader will be elected automatically to replace the leader.



This is the main idea about the ZooKeeper model (it is actually more complex).

- **ZooKeeper** is used to perform coordination in several cloud systems.
 - It is used in Yahoo Message Broker,
 - It is used in the **Hadoop** stack.



Conclusion

- Today, we have:
 - we have briefly reviewed the topic of cloud infrastructure
 - we have discussed **cloud applications**
- Next week: The MapReduce model



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