openQRM, pluggable virtualization for modern data-centers



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Agenda



- > OpenQRM in short
- > Pluggable architecture
- > Virtualization layer in openQRM
- Details about the openQRM Virtualization-plugins
- Developing a Virtualization-plugin
- > Time for questions and discussion

Project History

- Derived from a proven commercial product
- > Open-source since beginning of 2006
- > openQRM Project on Sourceforge.net
- Active development by the community

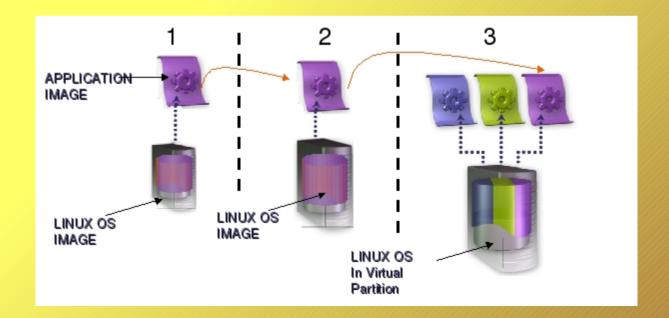


openQRM: Goals and Concepts

- Separation of different modules in the data-center
 - Servers -> physical hardware
 - Services -> Operation System + Applications
 - Storage- and Network-devices
- Abstraction of modules via Virtual-environments
- Plug-able architecture, huge selection of plugins
- Automated mechanisms for enhanced monitoring, systemmanagement and rapid deployment
- Support for different operation systems and Virtualization types

Virtualization layer in openQRM

- > Unifies the different Virtualization types
- Transparent support for migrating from physical resources to virtual partitions from different types
- Server-images does not require any changes



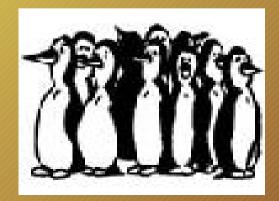
Virtualization Host-management

- Not only a GUI for a single Virtualization Host
- > Automated Host deployment
- Automatic installation of the Virtualization components on the Host VE
- Cluster of shared Hosts (SSI)
- Load-balancing and scalability



Virtualization Partition-management

- Partitions created on behalf of Host-resource
- Partitions are just another type of resource
- openQRM maps partition commands to actions on the Virtualization Host
- > Administration of vm's just like physical servers
- Partitions can move easily from one Virtualization Host to another
- Transparent resource management

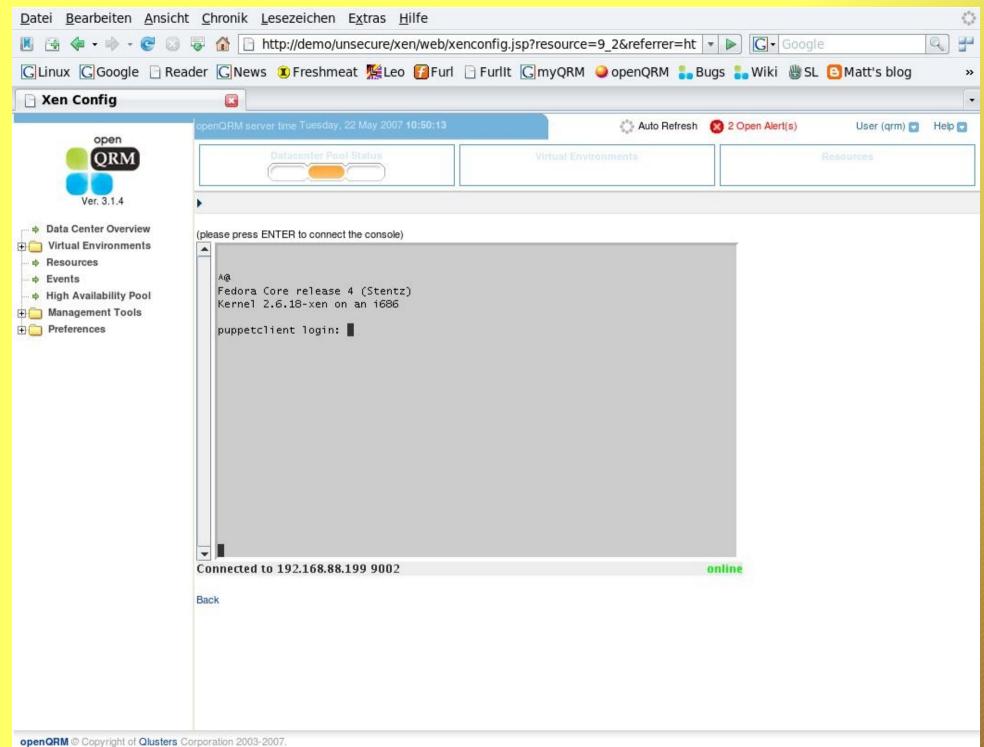


The Xen plugin



- Automatic installation of the Xen VE via a resource boot-service
- > Adding/removing/mapping of virtual network-interfaces
- Mapping of the virtual CPUs
- Increasing/decreasing memory consumption "on-the-fly"
- Pause/Unpause
- Handing over block-devices (FC/LVM)
- Live-migration
- Xen-console within the openQRM user-interface
- Supports NFS and Iscsi storage-servers

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The Qemu plugin



- Automatic installation and pre-configuration of Qemu on the Host VE via a resource boot-service
- Support for kqemu and KVM
- > Adding/removing/mapping of virtual network-interfaces
- Increasing/decreasing memory consumption
- Supports NFS and Iscsi storage-servers
- Does not require special boot-image

The Linux-VServer plugin

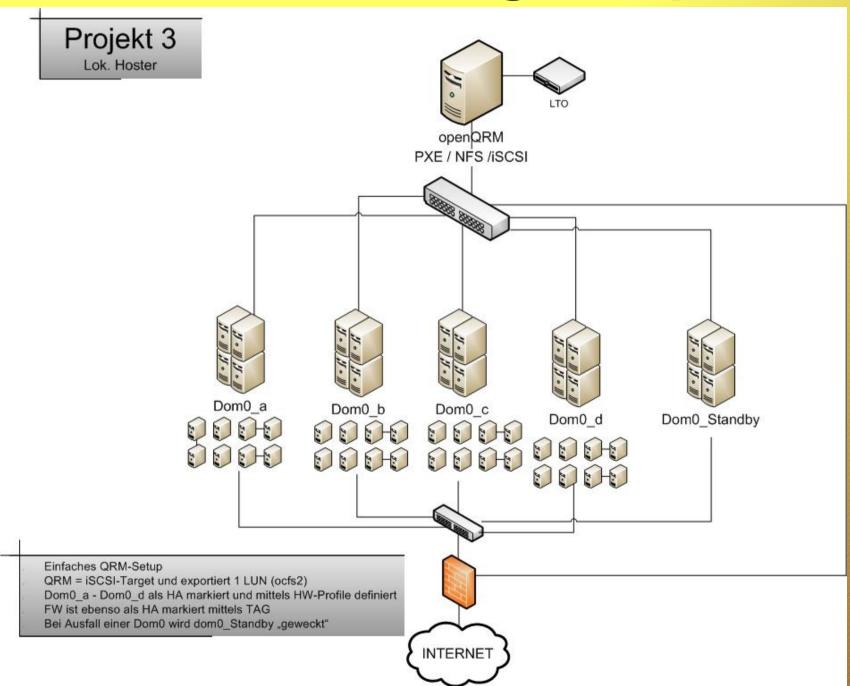
- Automatic installation and pre-configuration of the Linux-Vserver tools on the Host VE
- > Adding/removing/mapping of virtual network-interfaces
- Increasing/decreasing memory consumption
- Supports NFS storage-servers
- Best for web-farms

The VMware plugin

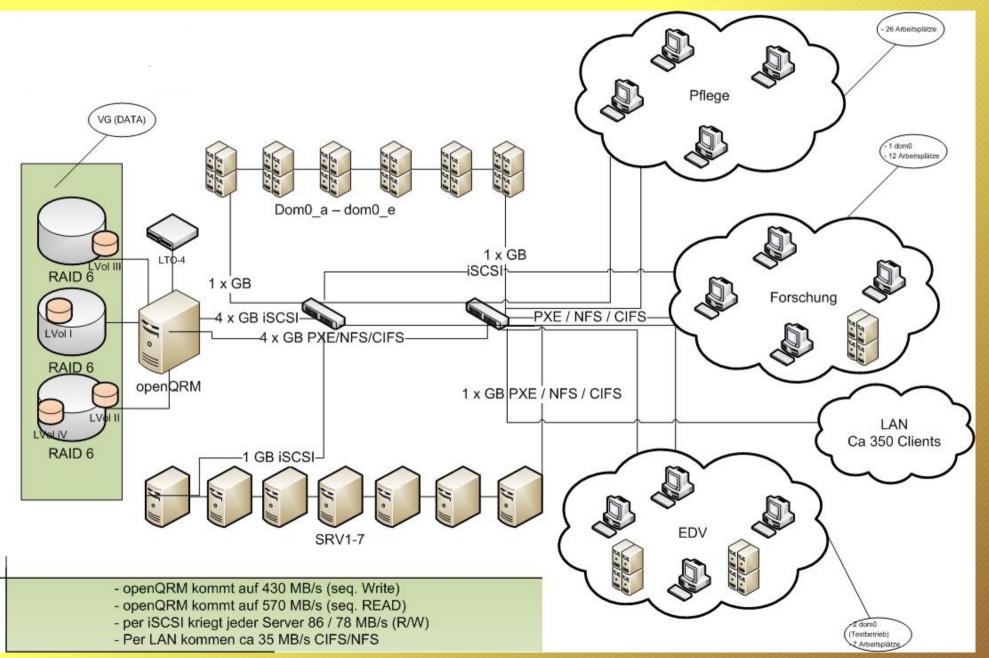


- Provided and maintained by Qlusters
- Manages existing VMware-server
- Support VMware GSX and ESX
- based on VMware API
- Supports NFS, Iscsi and local-deployment

A web-hosting setup



An advanced setup



2 classes to implement ... for example the Xen-plugin

Namespace main/code/java/com/qlusters/qrm/plugins/partitioning/xen/

- XenPartitionBridge.java
 - Maps the vm-commands
 - Runs vm-commands on behalf of the Virtualization Host
- > XenMacAddressProvider.java
 - Generates Mac-Addresses for partitions
 - Mac-address namespace per technology

The XenPartitionBridge implementation

}

public class XenPartitionBridge extends BaseParitioning {
 private static XenPartitionBridge instance = new XenPartitionBridge();

public void startFromOff(ComputeResourceData resource) {
 ComputeResourceData node = Finder.getComputeResourcesFinder()
 .getReadOnlyHostingResourceByPartition(resource);

StartPartitionCommand spc = new StartPartitionCommand(node, resource); CommandsExecutor.executeNow(spc);

How the StartPartitionCommand works

```
public class StartPartitionCommand extends XenCommand {
    private static final String startPartition = Prefs.getPrefs()
        .getString(
            StartPartitionCommand.class,
            "startPartition", xenControlScript + "start -m ${" + MAC + "}");
    protected StartPartitionCommand(ComputeResourceData node,
        ComputeResourceData partition) {
        super(node, partition);
        createCommand(partition, startPartition);
    }
}
```

... and the implementation of the XenMacAddressProvider

public class XenMacAddressProvider implements MacAddressProvider {

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private long getAddress(int vmld, byte forthByte) {
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long result = 0x00000L;
result += (forthByte & 0xff) << 16;
result += vmld & 0xffff;
result += MAC TEMPLATE;
try {
      result = getAddress(vmld, ++forthByte);
 } catch (IllegalArgumentException e) {
      System.out.println("We have reached max forth byte");
      Collections.sort(macs);
      Long lastMac = (Long) macs.get(macs.size() - 1);
      result = lastMac.longValue() + 1;
 }
 macs.add(new Long(result));
 return result;
```

Summary and Conclusion

- > Open architecture / fully plug-able
- Conforms different Virtualization technologies
 via partition-layer abstraction
- > Transparent resource management
- Supports mainstream Virtualization vendors
- Plugin-development is made easy

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Future Roadmap

- Focus on Virtualization
- Create plugins for
 - OpenVZ
 - Virtualbox
 - > Virtuozzo
- Enhance Virtualization plugins actions
- Port to PHP !

Your code and contribution is welcome !

openQRM on the internet



openQRM project http://sourceforge.net/projects/openqrm



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Time for your questions



Many thanks and have a great time at Fosdem 2008!

