

A Day in the Life of a VNF

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Seeing the Forest

- OPNFV's first two releases have been oriented on CI/CD and the NFVI
- It's time to bring the bigger picture into focus for end-users
 - What can I do with the OPNFV platform and how do I do it, e.g. how does the OPNFV platform enable an end-to-end VNF / service lifecycle
- As NFVO/VNFM-scope projects are developing (e.g. SFC), we need to focus them on support of an overall lifecycle and on synergy with other projects at the same level
- With a common set of goals for the VNF / service lifecycle, we can use the maturing ETSI NFV MANO standards to shape the forest of functions growing as upstream projects



VNF and Service Lifecycle: Setting and Delivering on Expectations





Design

Develop Test



VNF Provider/ Service provider (procurement)



Develop

Deliver

Deploy

Use

Package Validate

Accept and catalogue (onboard)

Service provider (Service design)



Combine Assemble

Configure (software)

Service provider (Service Delivery)



 Service design Configure (service)

Instantiate

Monitor

Update

Manage

Upgrade





User (Service Customization)

Service provider (Service Assurance)



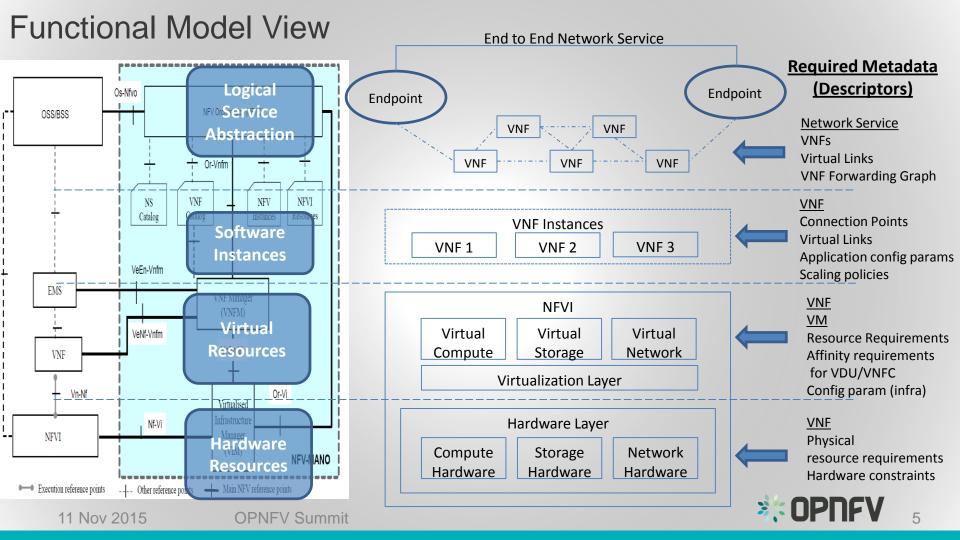
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VNF and Service Lifecycle Modeling

- A completely modeled, declarative approach to setting VNF/service lifecycle expectations is a good goal
- We have some developing tools for this, e.g. TOSCA, Heat Templates
- Translating those tools into action is the role of the NFVO/VNFM
- Until we achieve a pure model-driven lifecycle, API-driven procedural approaches will have to fill the modeling gaps



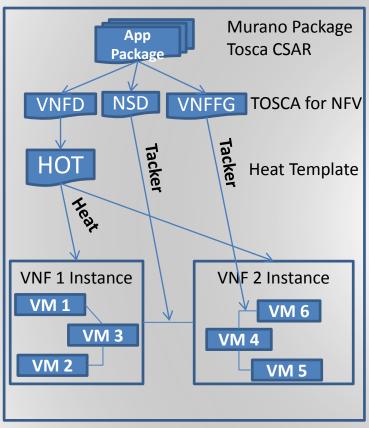


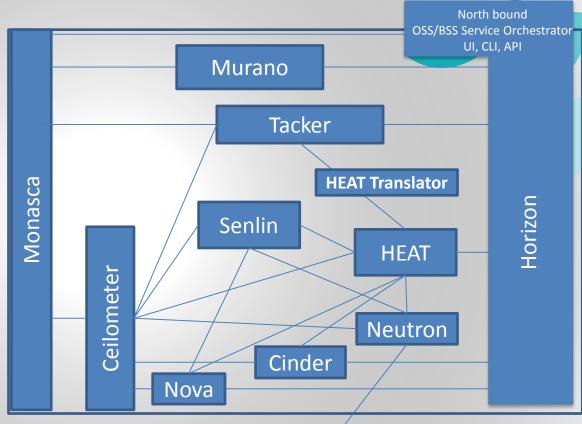
Mapping the Lifecycle to Upstream Projects: a starting point

Lifecycle Stage	Action	VNFM/NFVO-Related Functions
Develop		
Deliver	Onboard	Heat-translator Tacker Murano
Deploy		
Use	Configure Schedule Start/Stop Suspend/Resume	Heat, Senlin Nova-scheduler Tacker Tacker
Manage	Monitor Scale Migrate Upgrade	Monasca, Congress Heat, Senlin Nova
Retire		



An integration view: current and in-development relationships







Challenges in mapping MANO functions to upstream

- OpenStack perceived as VIM
- OpenStack projects and functions are continually shifting
- OpenStack is pushing up into the MANO stack, but not under an overall strategy
- Other projects are competing to provide the same functions within their domain



Conclusions

- MANO architecture does not map well to OpenStack functionality. Not a surprise here.
- Existing OpenStack projects may provide the functionality in order to fulfill most of the MANO requirements for management and orchestration especially for VNF Lifecycle
- Some project functionality overlaps and due diligent selection of existing modules is going to be important
- In OpenStack, the management and orchestration functions are more likely going to be distributed across several components based on several factors:
 - Managed entities (VMs, VNFs, Services)
 - Functional role
 - Available code base
- The plug-in architecture will allow for vendor/service provider specific capabilities while maintaining consistency across platform

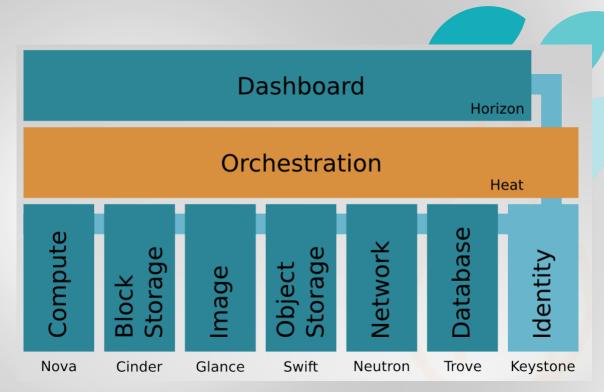


Next Steps

- Focused OPNFV discussions on VNF and service lifecycle
- User guides and tests demonstrating current lifecycle management features supported in the OPNFV Brahmaputra release
- Consider OPNFV 'C' release inclusion of NFVO/VNFM support goal

Heat (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Heat)

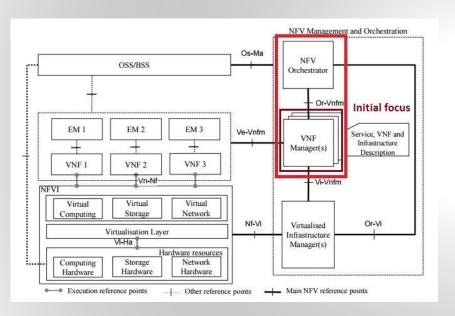
- The main project in the OpenStack Orchestration program
- Implements an orchestration engine to launch multiple composite cloud applications based on templates in the form of text files that can be treated like code
- Widely used and with broad industry support





Tacker (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Tacker)

Aim: To develop a fully functional ETSI MANO / IFA based general purpose NFV Orchestrator + VNF Manager for OpenStack



NFVO

- Templated end-to-end Network Service deployment using decomposed VNFs
- VNF placement policy ensure efficient placement of VNFs
- VNFs connected using a SFC described in a VNF Forwarding Graph Descriptor
- VIM Resource Checks and Resource Allocation
- Ability to orchestrate VNFs across Multiple VIMs

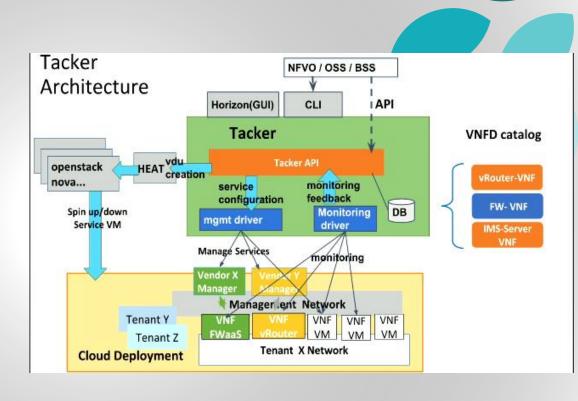
VNFM

- VNF Catalog
- Basic life-cycle of VNF (define/start/stop/undefine)
- Performance and Health monitoring of deployed VNFs
- Auto Healing VNFs based on Policy
- Facilitate initial configuration of VNF



Tacker: Status and relationships to other projects

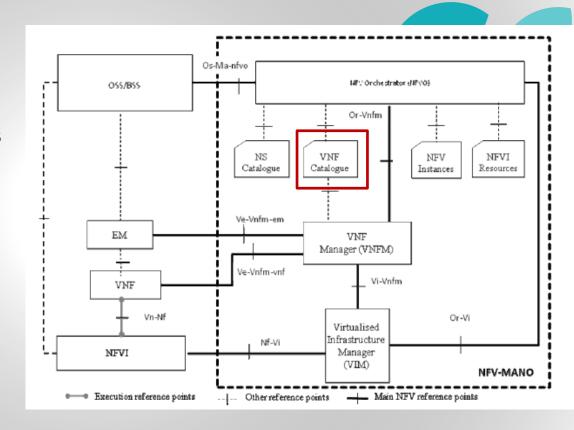
- Integrated with
 - HEAT VNF Creation
 - Monasca / Ceilometer VNF Monitoring
- Developing
 - VNF state-machine
 - Basic auto-scaling
- Plans
 - Integrate with ODL SFC: using SDNC plugin to push config for specific VNFs
 - VNF Catalog to leverage Murano
- Tosca-Heat Translator split in two libraries (parser, generator), parser to become a dependent library



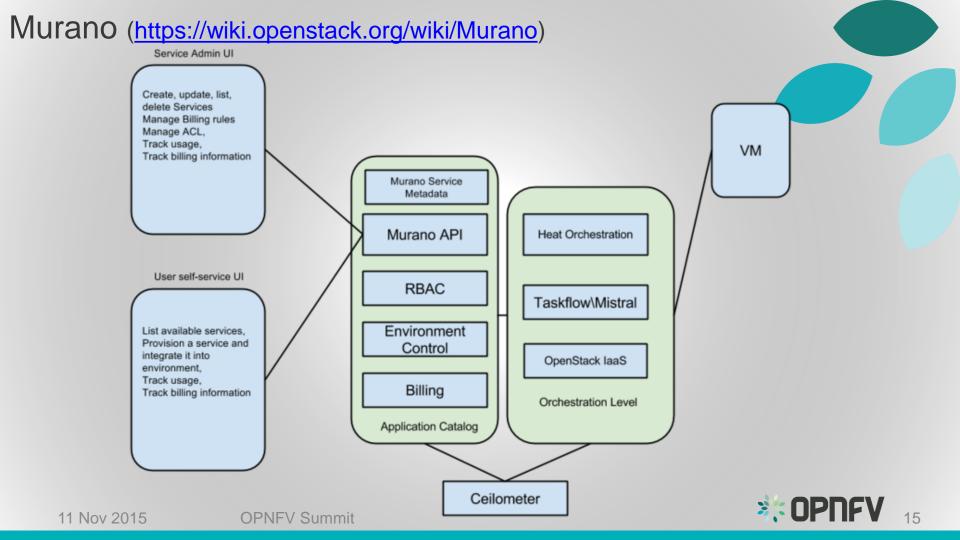


Murano (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Murano)

- App developers can publish applications and services, including deployment rules and requirements, suggested configuration, output parameters and billing rules
- Tracking billing and usage information
- End-users/tenants can find and self-provision third-party applications and services, integrate them into their environment, and track usage information and costs

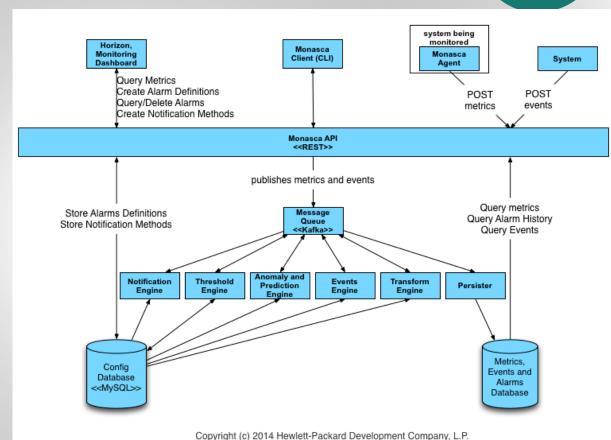






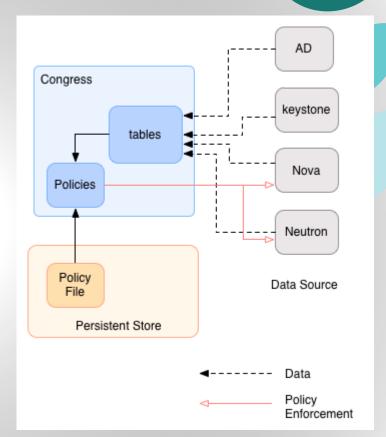
Monasca (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Monasca)

- Multi-tenant, highly scalable, performant, faulttolerant monitoring-as-aservice solution
- Exposes REST API for high-speed metrics processing and querying
- Streaming alarm and notification engines
- Integrates with:
 - Ceilometer
 - Horizon



Congress (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Congress)

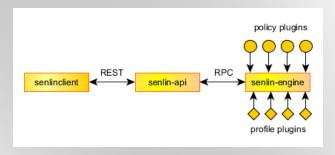
- "Policy as a Service" enabling VNF/servicespecific and independent policies for state/event conditions across OpenStack services, and any other platform for which a data source driver is implemented
- Can be used to detect and respond to conditions of an arbitrary nature, given that those conditions can be represented by a table join on data obtained from data sources

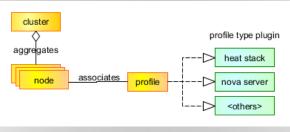


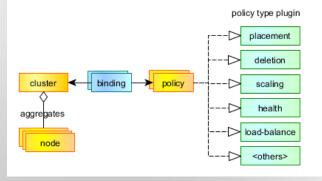


Senlin (https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Senlin)

- Provides a generic clustering service for an OpenStack cloud, capable of managing objects exposed by Nova, Heat, Cinder etc
 - A generic clustering/collection service for managing groups of homogeneous cloud objects on OpenStack.
 - A set of APIs for managing cluster membership, e.g. add/remove nodes.
 - A plugin-based object profile management enabling the creation and management of any object pools.
 - A plugin-based policy enforcement framework featuring flexible policy customization for cluster management.
 - A asynchronous execution engine for ensuring the state consistency of clusters and nodes.
 - A open design for action execution that can be extended to accommodate complex application deployment.







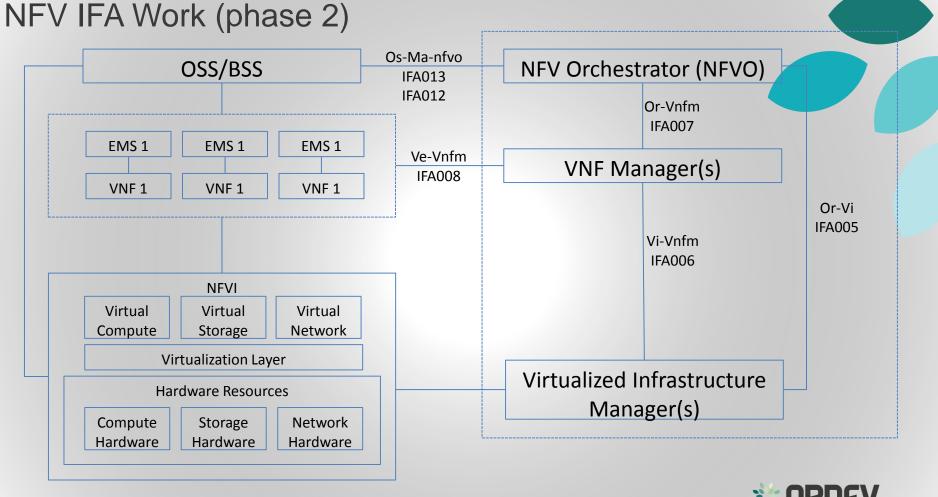


Key ETSI NFV IFA focus areas

- Network Service Lifecycle Management
- Virtual Network Function Lifecycle Management
- Resource Management
- Performance Management
- Fault Management

Drafts available in the public area: https://docbox.etsi.org/ISG/NFV/open/Drafts/





Network Service onboarding: Os-Ma-nfvo (IFA013, IFA012)

OSS/BSS

Os-Ma-nfvo IFA013

IFA012

NFV Orchestrator (NFVO)

NSD management

Operations:

- Onboard NSD
- Disable NSD
- Enable NSD
- Query NSD
- Delete NSD

NS Lifecycle Change Notification

Operations:

Notify

NS Lifecycle Management

Operations:

- Instantiate NS
- Terminate NS
- Scale NS
- Update NS
- Create VNFFG
- Delete VNFFG
- Query VNFFG
- Update VNFFG
- Create VL
- Delete VL
- Update VL
- Query VL



VNF Lifecycle Management



VNF Package Management VNF Lifecycle granting Management VNF Lifecycle management VNF change management

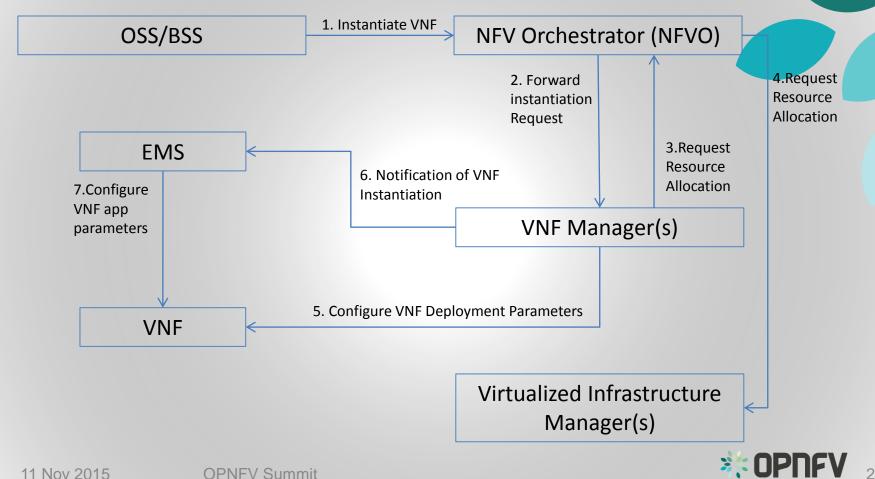
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VNF Lifecycle Management (LcM)

- VNF LcM interface is exposed by VNFM
- VNF LcM interface can be re-exposed by NFVO
- VNF instantiation:
 - Resource Allocation
 - VNF Configuration
- MANO offers two options for resource management
 - Performed by NFVO (effectively acting as a Resource Orchestrator). VNFM requests resources to the VNFO and VNFO forwards the request to the VIM
 - Performed by the VNFM. VNFM ask VNFO for granting request and then directly requests resources to the VIM



VNF Instantiation Flow (NFVO initiated)



Resource Management

- Resource management models for VIM:
 - Reservation
 - On-demand
 - Quota based

Lifecycle Stage		Operations related to	Interface
VNF	NFVO	Initial allocation, update and release of resources for VNF instantiation, scaling and termination	Or-Vi
VNF	VNFM	Initial allocation, update and release of resources for VNF instantiation, scaling and termination	Vi-Vnmf
NS	NFVO	Initial Allocation, updates and release for NS instantiation, scalling and termination	Or-Vi