
The TPL Mission:

We Bring Customized Cloud Technology to Your Private Data Centers

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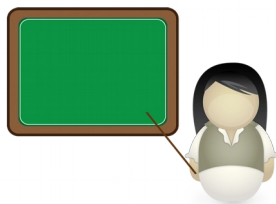
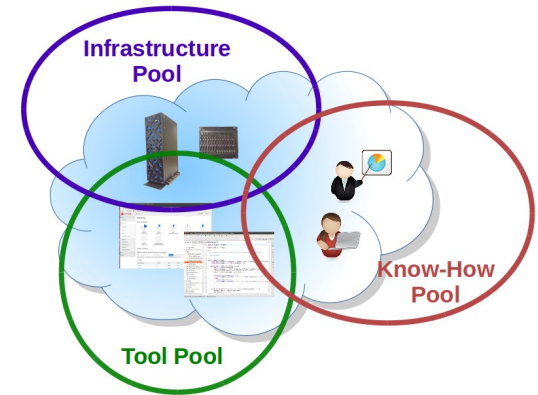
What is the TPL?

- The **Technology Partnership Lab** is part of the University of Stuttgart Cooperative Research Campus
- It provides an umbrella organization for conducting research projects with industry partners
- For more information search for „*tpl uni stuttgart*“
- Find us on youtube, search for „*ibm uni stuttgart*“



Our Goals

- Provide infrastructure, software-tools and know-how in order to successfully conduct research projects
- Bring industry experience and current problem statements into the university curriculum
- Finalize and polish research findings and transfer them to industry products





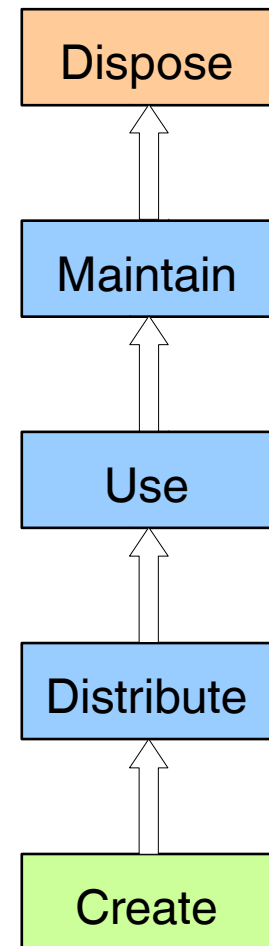
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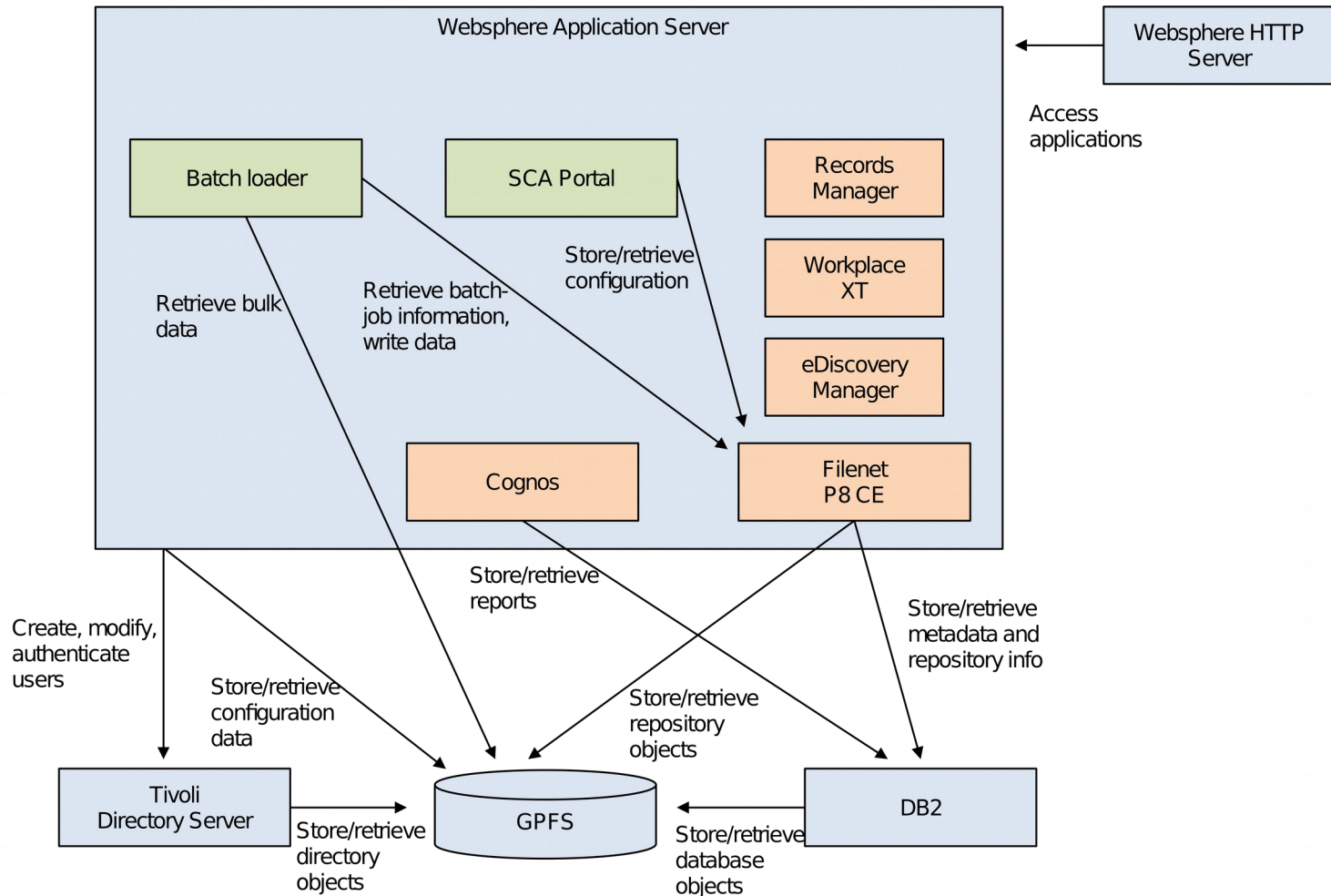
What is Enterprise Content Management?

- Manage all life-cycle stages of electronic content in an enterprise
- The functionality of these systems varies widely
- Many different software components comprise an ECM system
- The system topology and component configuration is customized
- The components are integrated with other IT-systems



*Information
life cycle*

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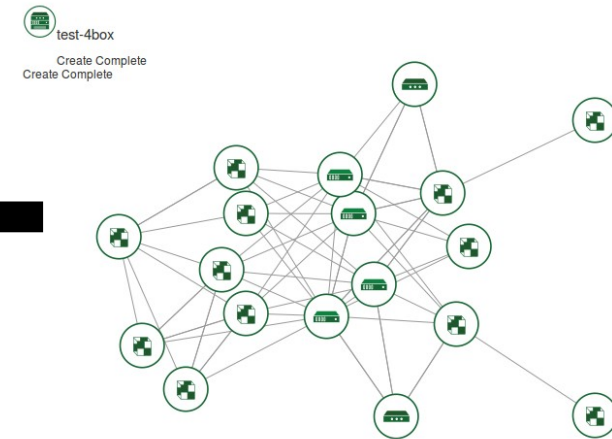
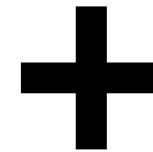
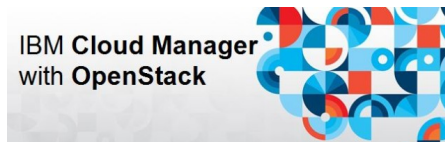
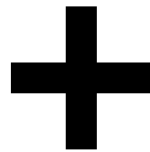
What are the advantages of a cloud offering?

- Customers have lower upfront cost, lower entry hurdle for new customers
- Unified, homogeneous installations save overall operational and service cost

What are the challenges?

- We want to re-use existing ECM software, which is designed for single-tenant use
- Some components can be shared between customers, this needs to be evaluated
- Other components need to be instantiated for each new customer, this requires automation
- Operational procedures and best-practices for such an ECM infrastructure do not exist yet

Our Projects – ECM on Cloud



IBM PureFlex

private cloud

**IBM Cloud Manager
& Openstack**
Infrastructure
management

HEAT
Deployment
& management
automation



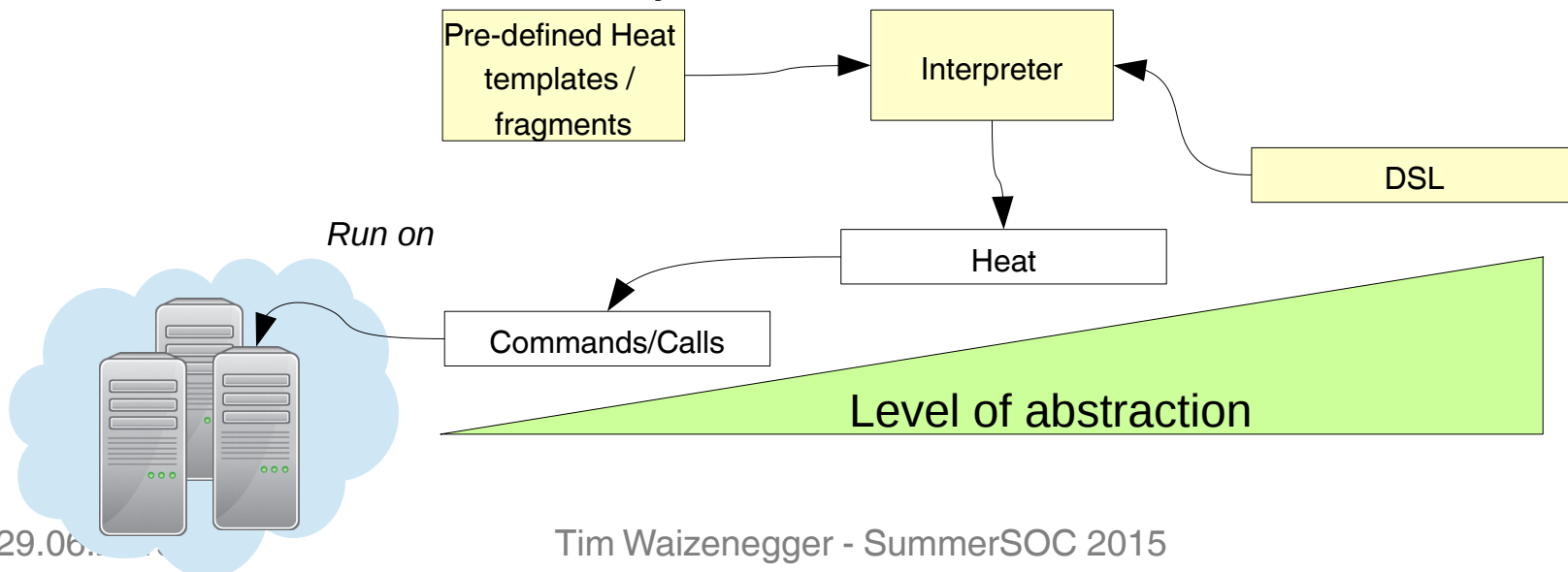
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Our Projects – ECM DSL

In this project, we develop a domain specific language (DSL) for describing ECM solutions

- To aid in communicating requirements with customers
- To document, in a formalized way, the specifications of the solution
- To drive our automation system





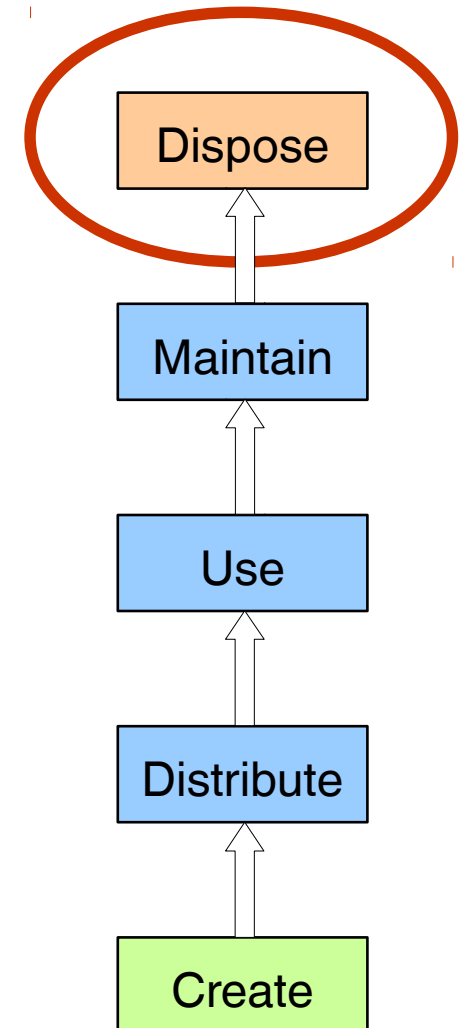
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Our Projects – SDOS *(see poster session)*

The Secure-Delete Object Store (SDOS)

- Information life-cycle management defines 5 phases
- After retention or intended use ends, information needs to be disposed of
- Sensitive or compromising information needs to be deleted irrevocably
 - Protecting intellectual property
 - Due to regulations
 - To avoid legal risk



Our Projects – SDOS *(see poster session)*

Current Solutions

- Physical destruction of storage media
 - Not possible in shared infrastructures
- Logical destruction of storage sectors
 - Requires low-level access, not possible in virtualized cloud storage scenarios



Garner TS-1 electromagnet



SEM Model 0101
Sledgehammer Hard Drive Crusher

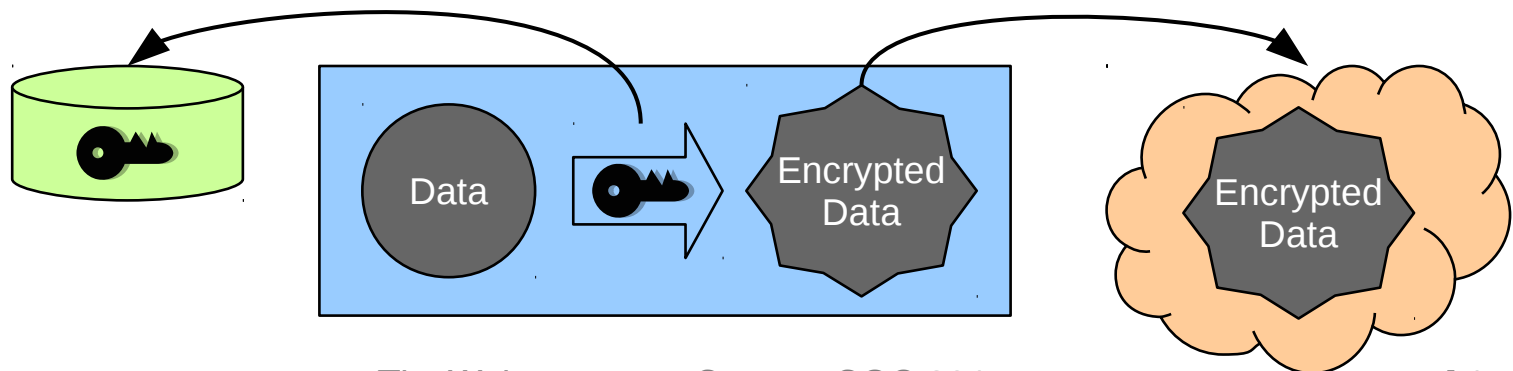


PGP shredder

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Cryptographic deletion

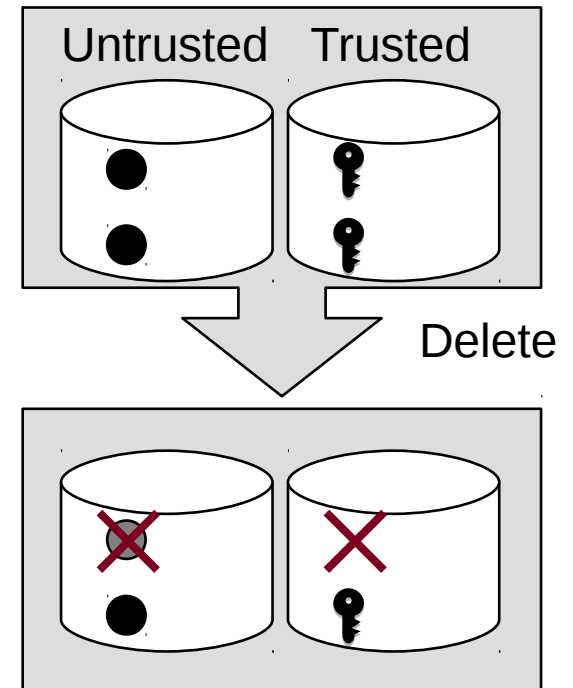
- The deletion of objects by storing them in encrypted form and securely deleting the encryption key
 - secure deletion only needs to be provided for keys, not large data objects
 - Data can be stored in cheap, untrusted storage systems
 - Only small encryption keys must be stored in a trusted location



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First approach: *individual per-object keys*

- Generate an individual, random key for each object on insertion (put operation)
- Store all keys in a separate, secure storage system that provides secure deletion
- **Delete operation**
 - Remove key from secure storage system
 - Remove object
- **Overhead**
 - Put: key generation, key storage, encryption
 - Get: key retrieval, decryption
 - Delete: key deletion
 - Secure storage system with a capacity of $n * s_k$

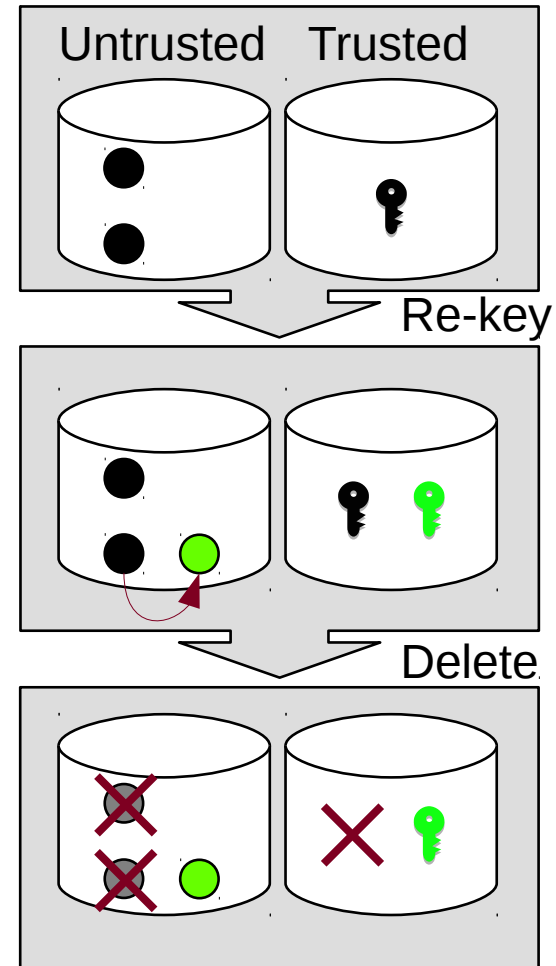


→ **The secure storage system needs to hold a prohibitively large amount of objects**

Our Projects – SDOS (see poster session)

Second approach: *single key*

- Generate a single, random key for all objects
- Store key in a separate, secure storage system that provides secure deletion
- **Delete operation**
 - Generate a new key
 - Decrypt all objects (except the one to-delete)
 - Re-encrypt them with the new key
 - Replace key in the secure storage system
 - Remove all old objects
- **Overhead**
 - Put: encryption
 - Get: key retrieval, decryption
 - Delete: re-keying of all kept objects
 - Secure storage system with a capacity of S_k



→ **The re-keying operation will become prohibitively expensive in large object stores**

Our Projects – SDOS *(see poster session)*

- The **individual-key approach** requires a prohibitively large trusted key-store
 - But avoids re-keying overhead
- The **single-key approach** has a high re-keying overhead
 - But requires only a small trusted key-store

→ The **key-cascade approach** provides a mechanism for cryptographic deletion with

- Minimal re-keying overhead
- Small key-store size

*Re-key
overhead*

Key-store size

Thank You!

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