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Ceph per lo storage Cloud GARR

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GARR Storage and Computing Department (CSD)



Role:

- **provider** of resources (“long tail of science”)
- resource **aggregator (federation)**
- embody a **replicable** model for storage & computing provisioning

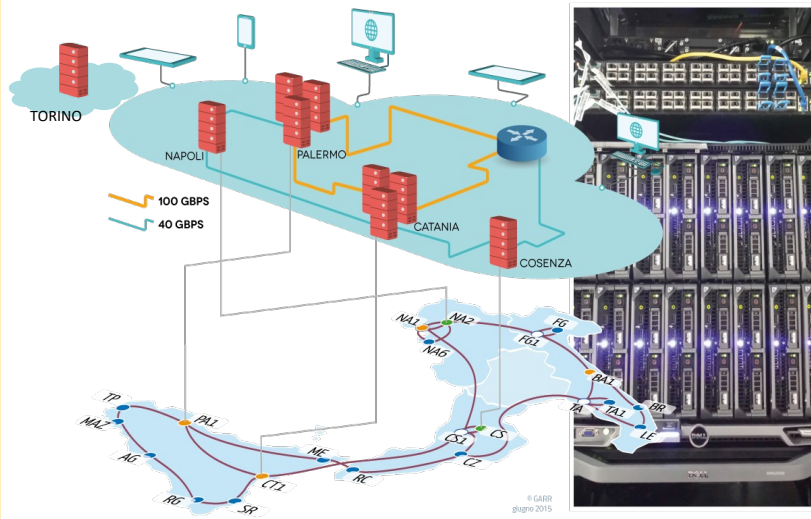
Goals:

- **harmonize** (SSO / federation of resources)
- build **secure** and **open** infrastructures
- enhance **user experience**


GARR Computing and Storage Infrastructure

Overall

- CPUs: 7600 cores
- RAM: 60 TB
- **Storage: 13.5 PB** (15% **SSD**)
- GPUs: 333 TFLOPS
- Datacentres: 5



Storage servers

- **DELL PowerEdge R740XD2**
- 48 HT cores, 384 GB RAM
- 3x 1.9TB SSD Mixed Use
-  RocksDB
- **5x 7.68 TB SSD** Read Intensive
- **14x 18TB HDD** 7Krpm



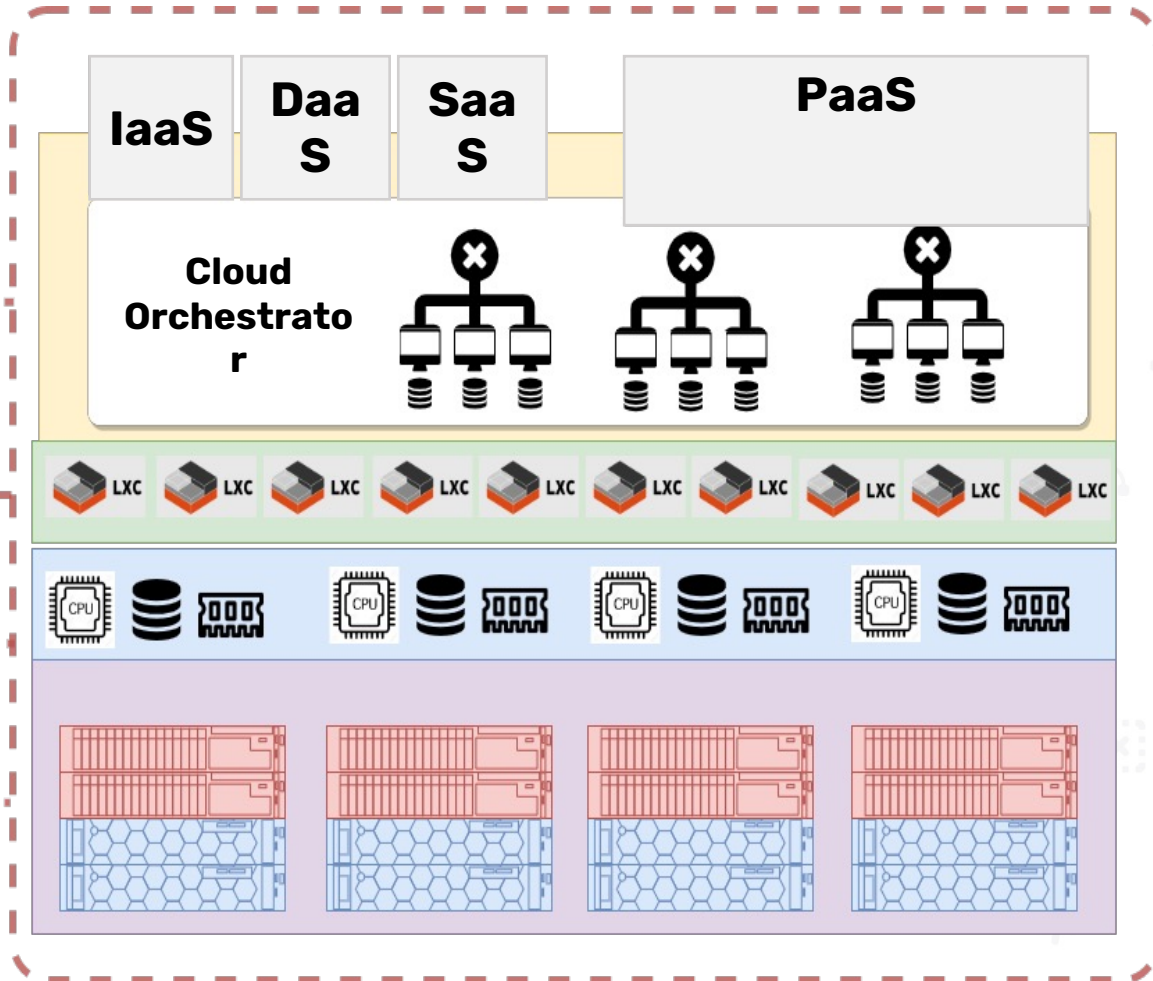
GARR Cloud Infrastructure: 4-Layers *recipe*

1. Application Service

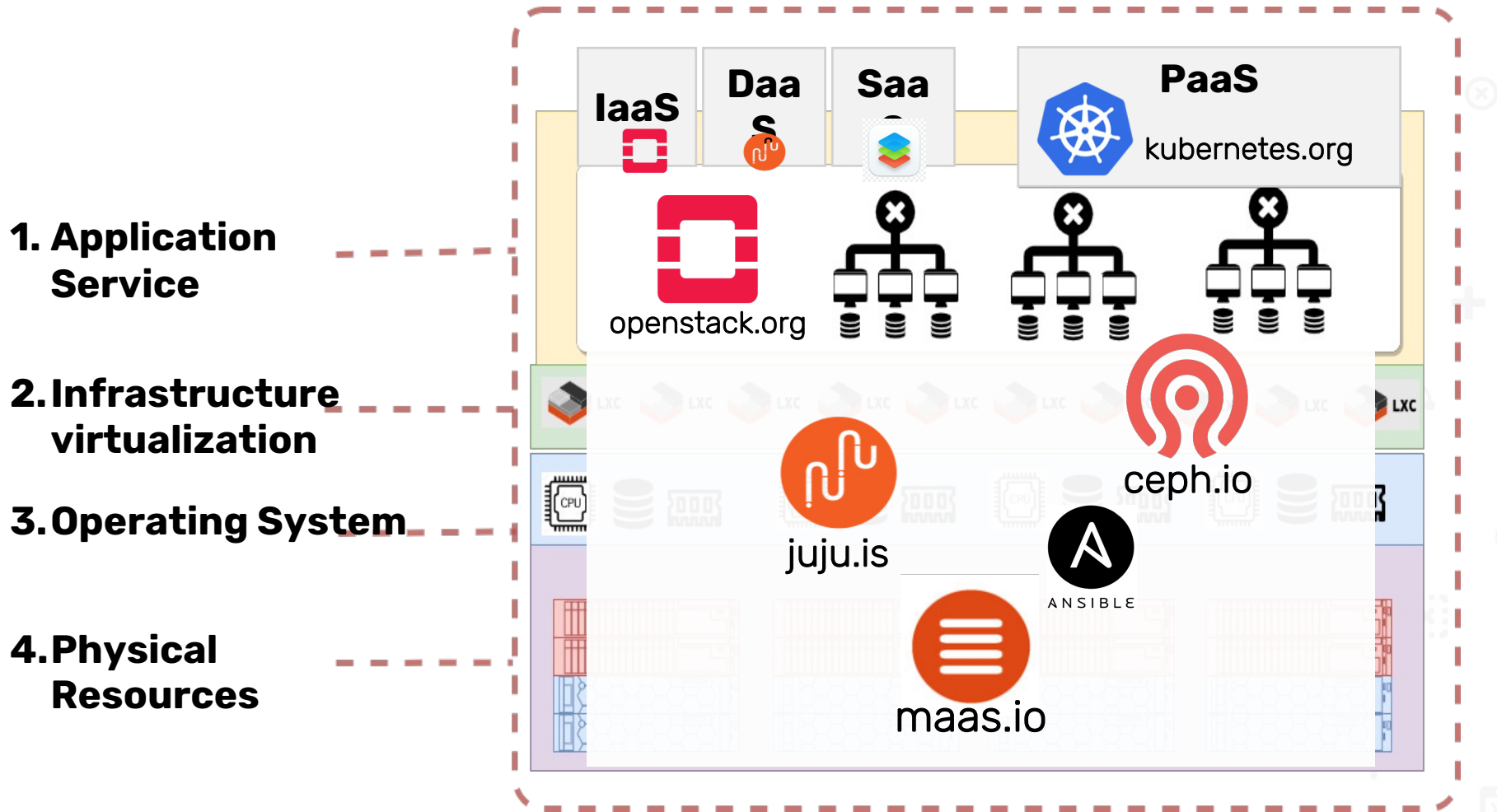
2. Infrastructure virtualization

3. Operating System

4. Physical Resources



GARR Cloud: the engines



OpenStack

Horizon (Dashboard)

Keystone (Identity Management)

Nova (Compute, where VMs are run)

Glance (Image Service)

Cinder (Block Storage, persistent storage for VMs)

Swift (Object Storage, snapshots and not frequently updated data)

Neutron (Networking and CDN)



DASHBOARD
(Horizon)

IDENTITY SERVICE

COMPUTE



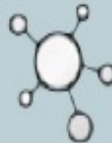
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BLOCK STORAGE



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IMAGE SERVICE



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OBJECT STORAGE



(Swift)



(Keystone)

GARR Cloud architecture

Global services

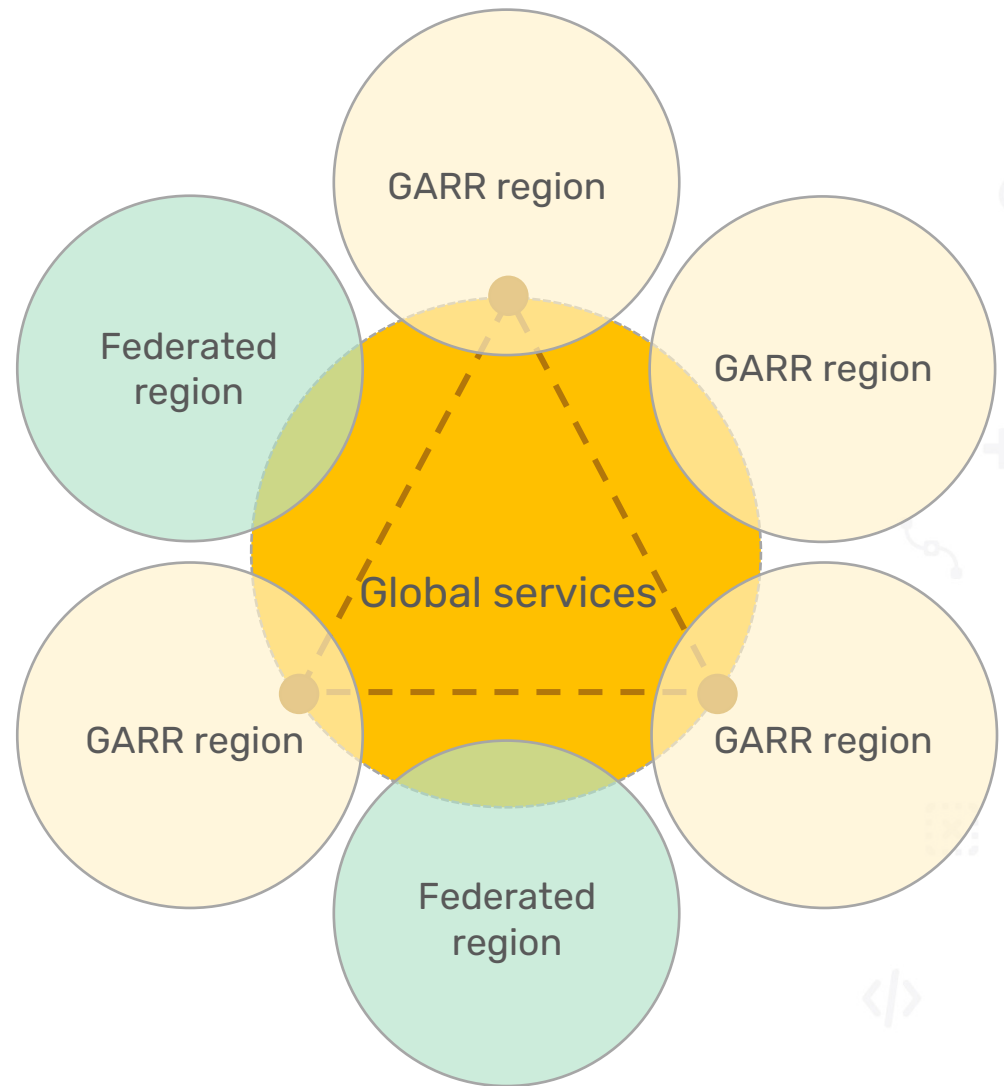
- ✓ Identity
- ✓ Images
- ✓ Object Store
- geo-distributed
- DNS HA

GARR regions

- ✓ Compute
- ✓ Network
- ✓ Block Store
- Share Identity, Images, Object Store
- Local services

Federated regions

- ✓ Compute
- ✓ Network
- ✓ Block Store
- Share Identity
- Local services
- Managed by You



OpenStack and Ceph

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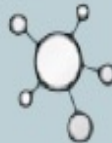
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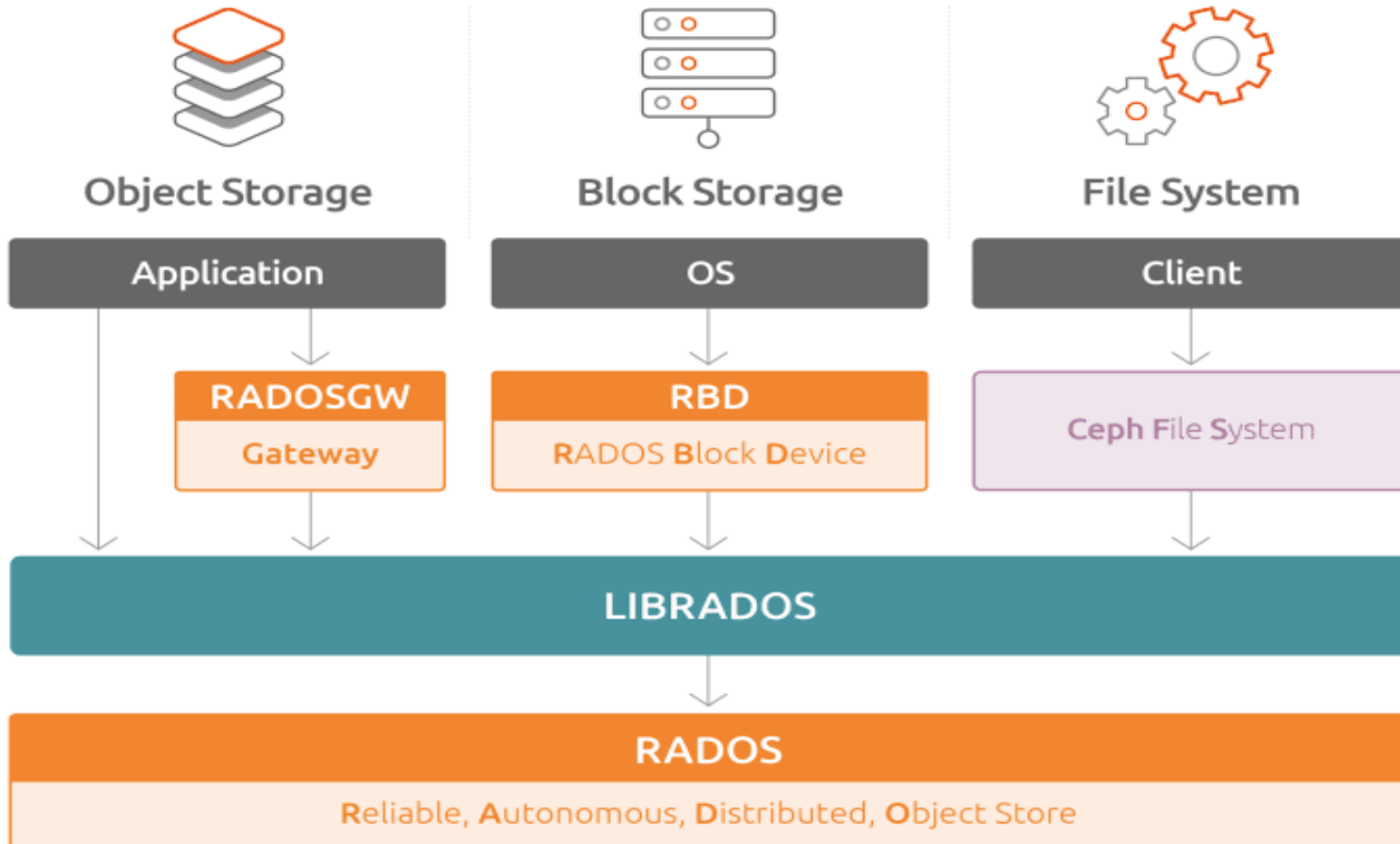
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(Keystone)

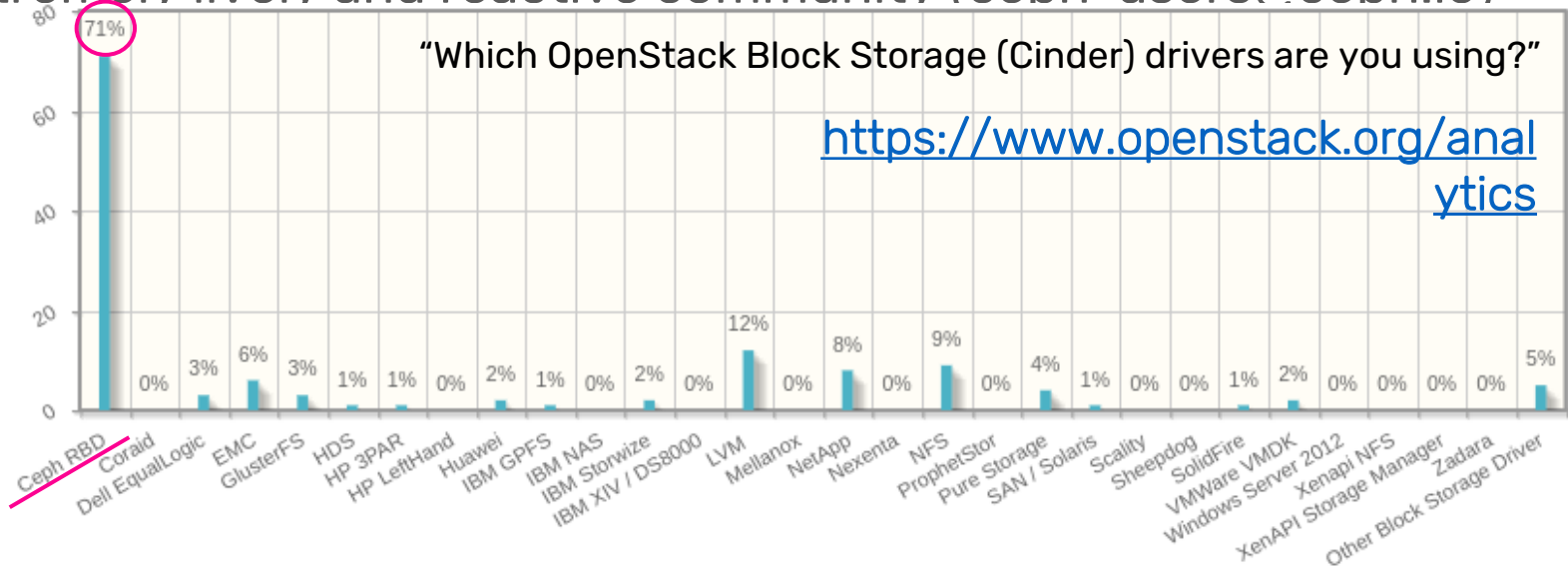
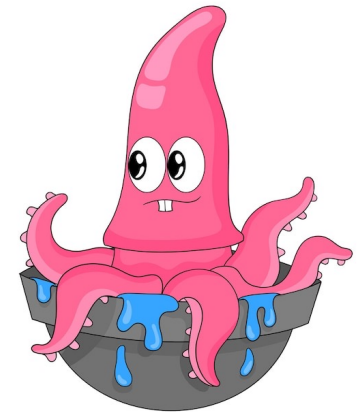
What is Ceph

Ceph is **open source software** designed to provide highly scalable **object-, block-** and **file-**based storage under a unified system



Why Ceph

- Open-source, distributed storage
- Lack of SPOF (single point of failure)
- Runs on commodity hardware
- Aggregates any server with any network and disk setup
- Consistently evolving, new functionalities and several improvements
- Extremely lively and reactive community (ceph-users@ceph.io)



A little Ceph glossary

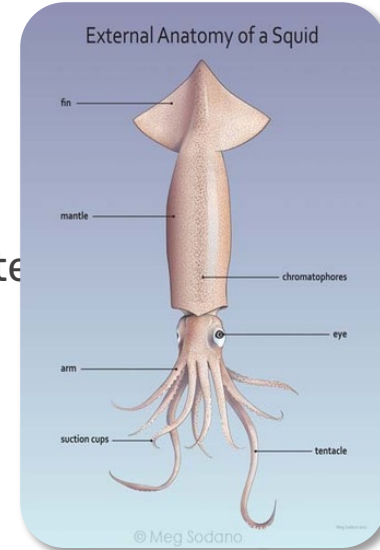
- **Object Store Device (OSD)**: the physical disk (plus a slice of CPU/RAM to manage it)
- **Monitors (Mon)**: maintain the map of the cluster state, keeping track of active and failed cluster nodes, cluster configuration, etc.; handle such map to clients
- **Managers (Mgr)**: maintain cluster runtime metrics, enable dashboarding capabilities, provide interface to external monitoring systems
- **Rados Block Device (RBD)**: Ceph's block storage component
- **Rados Gateway (RGW)**: Ceph's object storage APIs (swift and S3)
- **Metadata Servers (MDS)**: store metadata for the Ceph File System

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- Ceph stores data (objects) within **pools**.
 - Pools ensure data redundancy (**Replica** vs. **Erasur**-Coding)
 - Within a pool, objects are mapped to **Placement Groups (PG)**, and placement groups to the OSDs
 - OSDs belong to **Device Classes**: default ("hdd", "ssd") or custom ("test", "big")



A little Ceph glossary

- The **CRUSH** (Controlled Replication Under Scalable Hashing) algorithm determines how to store and retrieve data
 - The **CRUSH map** describes the physical topology of the cluster: it is passed to clients who can then interact directly with the cluster
 - The **CRUSH rules** define data placement policy, e.g.: what device class to use, how many chunks per rack/host,...
- Two examples of CRUSH rules:



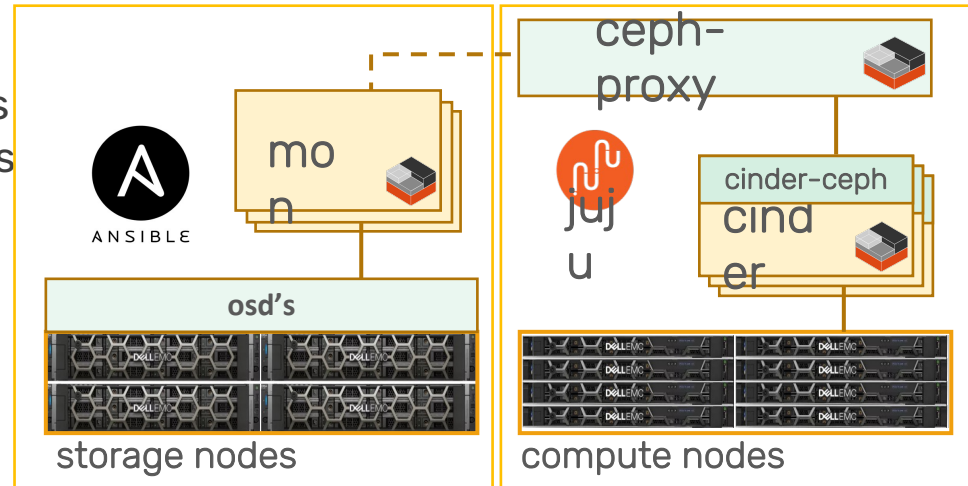
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rule ssd_rule {
  id 1
  type replicated
  min_size 1
  max_size 3
  step take default class ssd
  step chooseleaf firstn 0 type rack
  step emit
}
```

```
rule default.rgw.buckets.data {
  id 6
  type erasure
  min_size 3
  max_size 10
  step set_chooseleaf_tries 5
  step set_choose_tries 100
  step take default class big
  step choose indep 5 type host
  step chooseleaf indep 2 type osd
  step emit
}
```

Ceph deployment - two cases

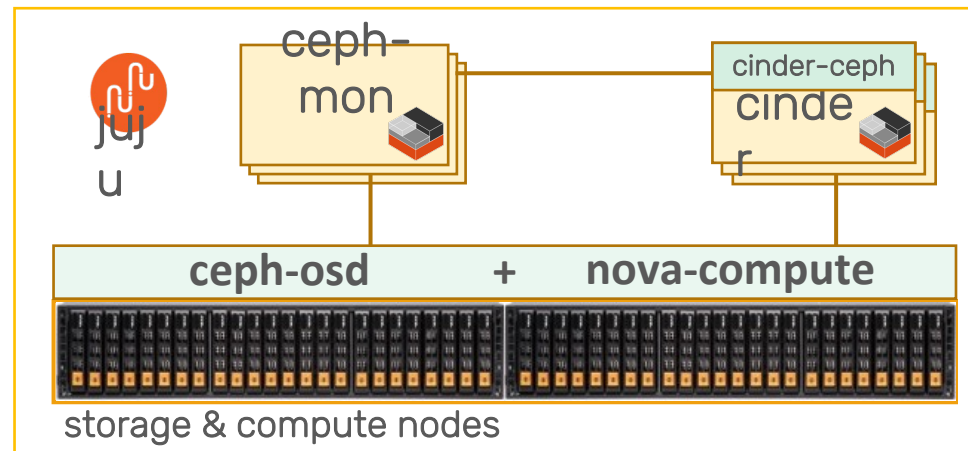
Catania, Palermo, Napoli regions

- Ceph w. **ceph-ansible** on storage nodes
OpenStack with **Juju** on compute nodes
- Ceph-OpenStack connection via **ceph-proxy** charm
- Ceph-proxy
 - Is configured with **Mon IP addresses** and **ceph-admin credentials**
 - Is related to the Openstack modules
 - Creates users, pools etc. in Ceph according to the directives of the related OpenStack modules
 - passes config parameters to Ceph clients on the modules

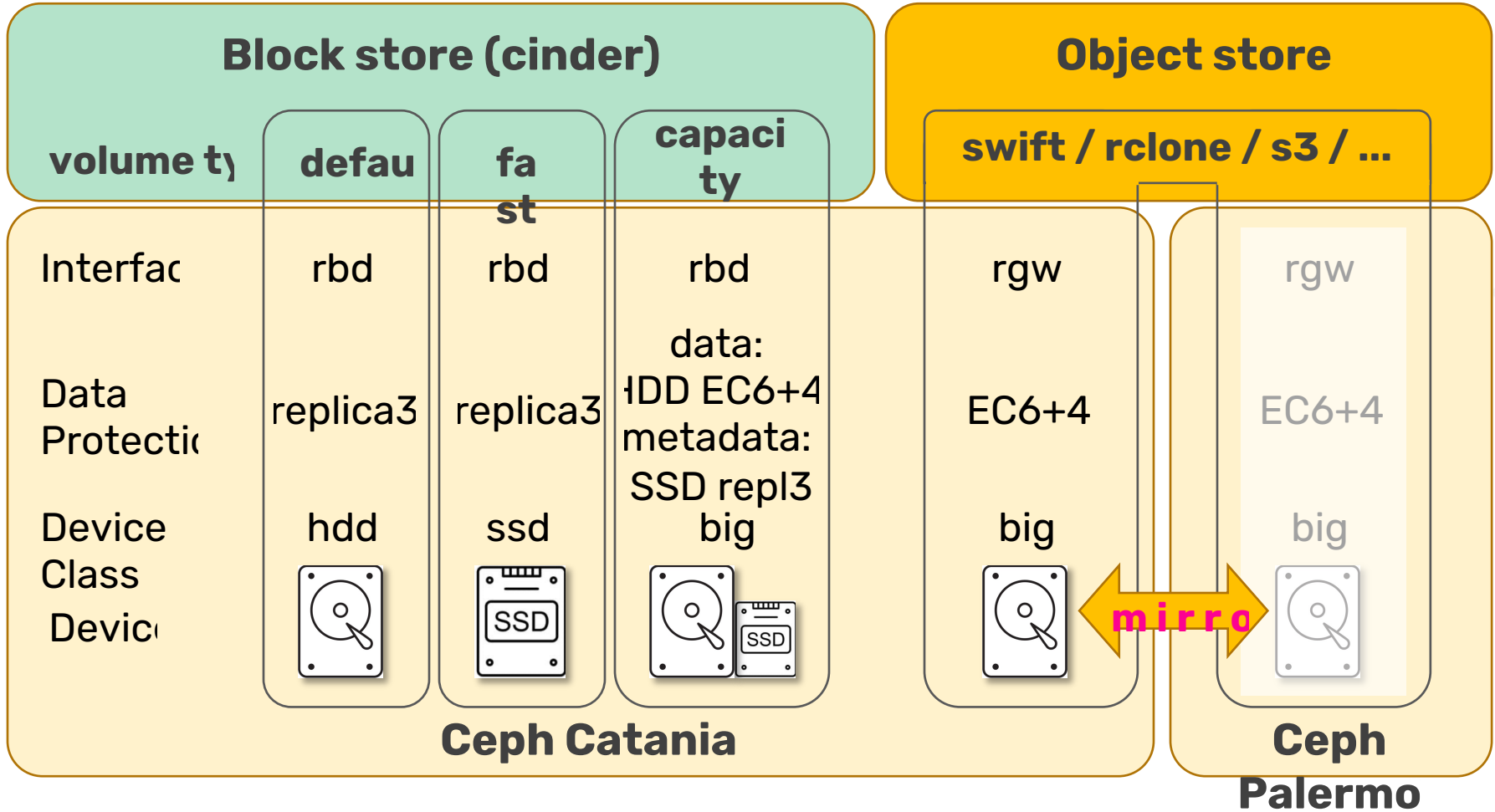


Torino region:

- Hyper-converged systems (storage&compute)
 - few servers, but powerful
- Deploy Ceph and Openstack with Juju
- Ceph-mon charm directly connected with OpenStack modules (juju relations)

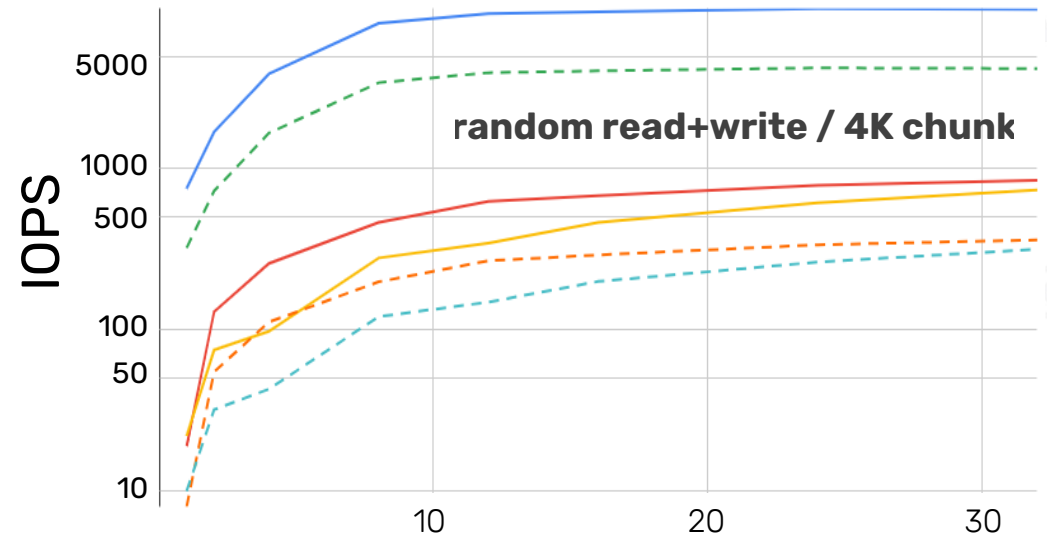
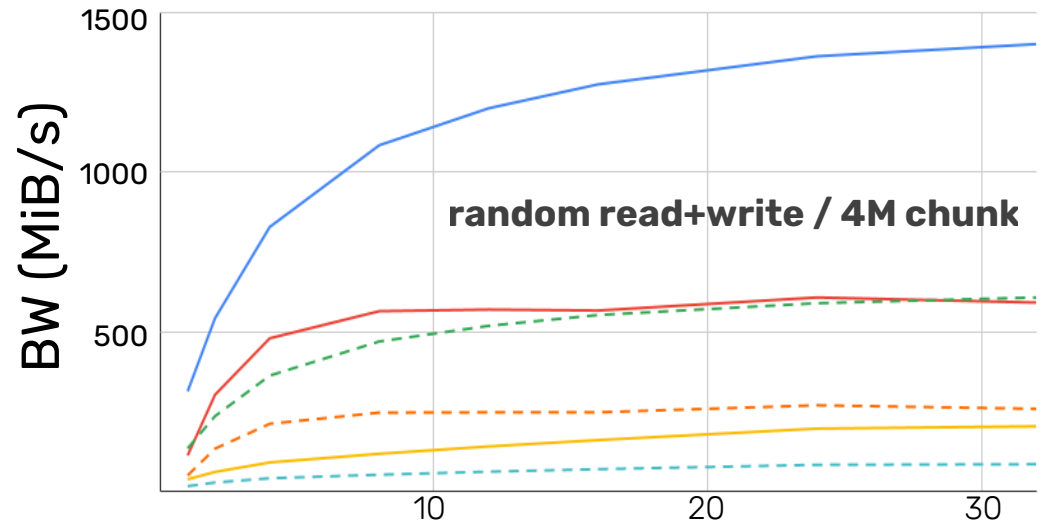


From Ceph to OpenStack



Benchmarks

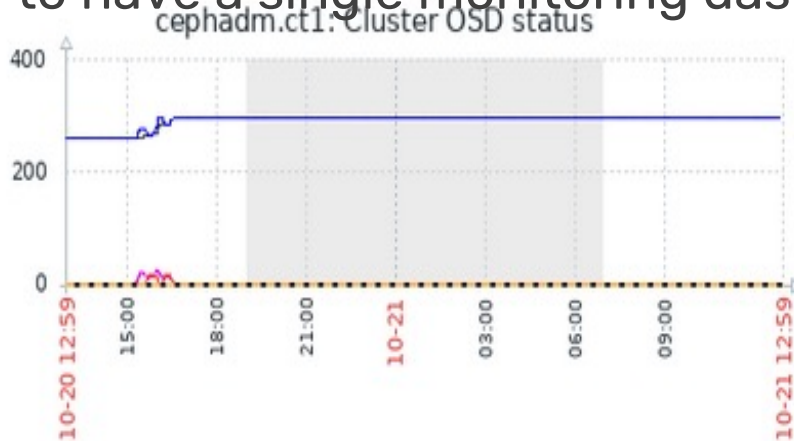
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- DEFAULT-R
- SSD-W
- EC-W
- DEFAULT-W



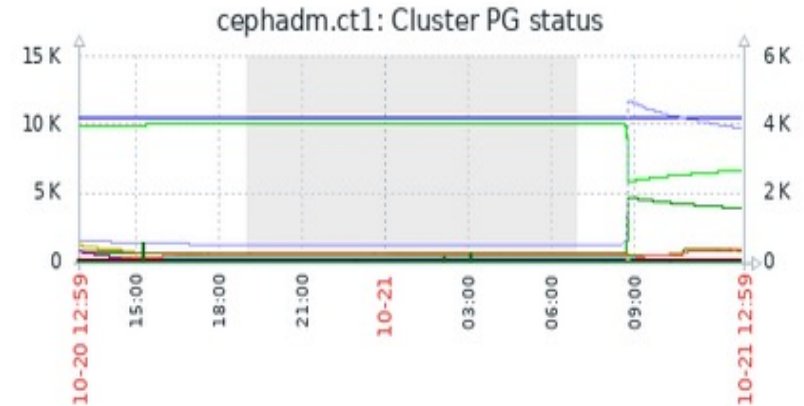
Monitoring

- Currently: Zabbix monitoring configured with custom Ansible scripts
- Ceph recently included native API to Zabbix and Grafana
- ➔ We will integrate Ceph and Grafana,

to have a single monitoring dashboard for all the cloud systems

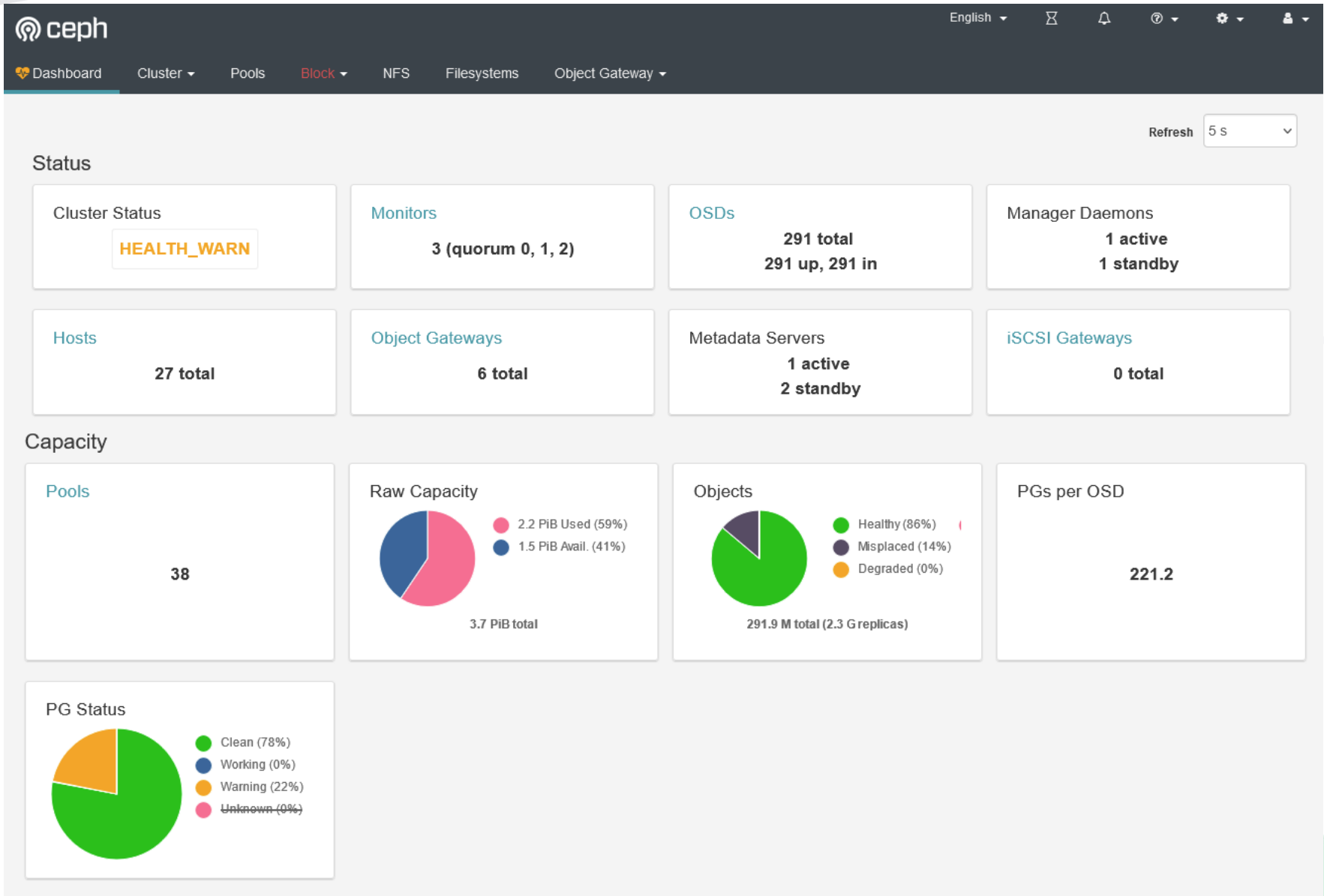


		last	min	avg	max
Ceph OSD down	[max]	0	0	0.7201	26
Ceph OSD up	[max]	298	260	293.1017	298
Ceph OSD out	[max]	1	1	1.3304	15
Ceph OSD in	[max]	297	259	292.4725	297



		last	min	avg	max
Ceph PG total	[avg]	10.52 K	10.52 K	10.52 K	10.52 K
Ceph PG active	[avg]	3.92 K	478	1.14 K	4.7 K
Ceph PG active-clean	[avg]	6.6 K	5.82 K	9.39 K	10.05 K
Ceph PG degraded	[avg]	314.6667	176	233.5542	487

Monitoring - Ceph dashboard



Ceph management – a little cookbook

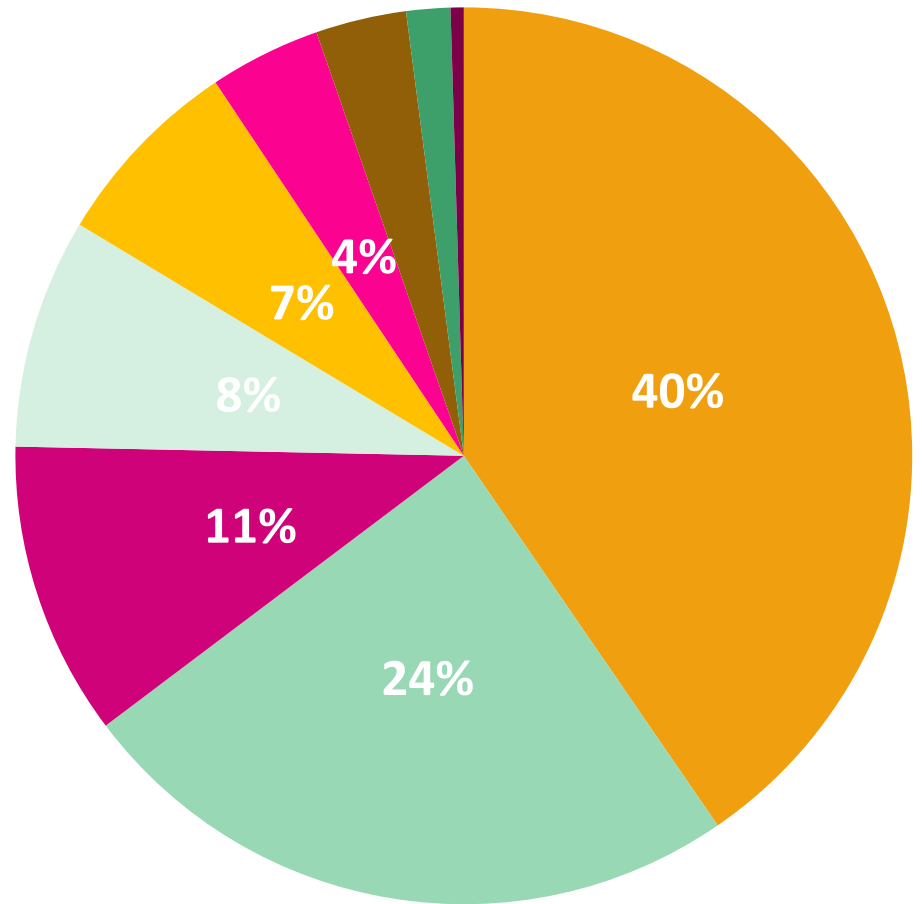
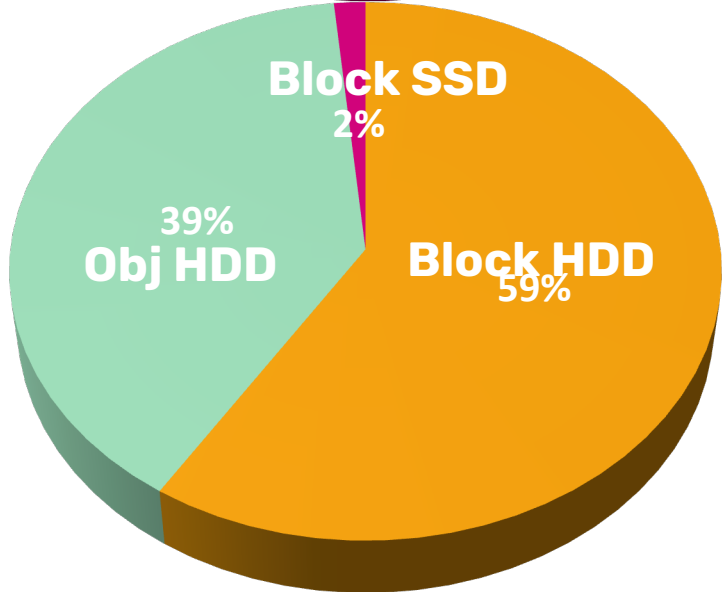
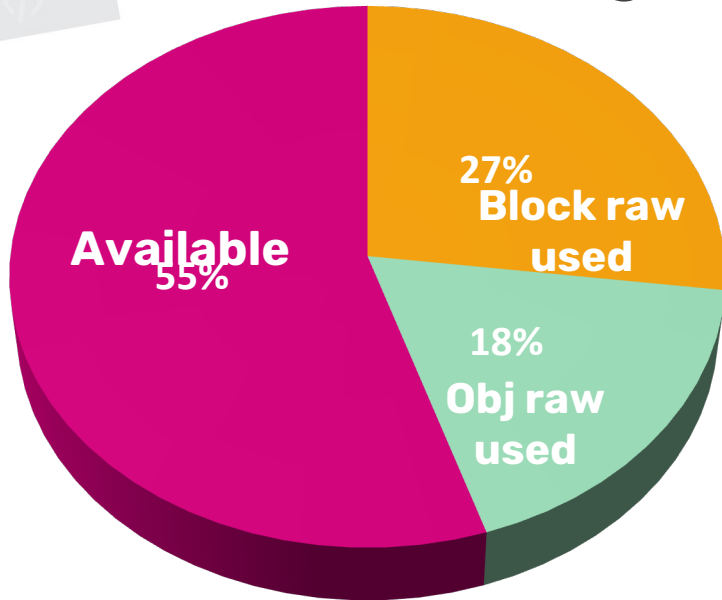
- Enable “balancer”: can also tune activity window and threshold
`ceph balancer on ; ceph balancer mode upmap ; # default mode`
- Occasionally, “balancer” fails and one OSD may “drift”
 - Adjust OSD weight, let it go for ~hour, set it back
`ceph osd crush reweight osd.XXX 0.9`
- Reduce impact of rebalancing/recovering operations:
`ceph tell 'osd.*' injectargs --osd-recovery-sleep=0.1
--osd-max-backfills=1 --osd-recovery-max-active=3
--osd-recovery-max-single-start=1`
 - <https://docs.ceph.com/en/latest/rados/configuration/osd-config-ref/>
 - ignore message stating restart is required
- Throttle data movement when adding servers
`ceph balancer off`
 - add servers, move OSD disks, do whatever...
(see <https://github.com/digitalocean/pgremapper> or <https://github.com/cernceph/ceph-scripts.git>)
`./tools/upmap/upmap-remapped.py | sh`
 - re-run, to force all “remapped” PGs in their current position
`ceph balancer on ; # let balancer gradually move PGs`
 - at any time, can pause data movement by “upmap-remapped.py”



Object store clients

- rclone
 - swift endpoint
 - cli provides functions equivalent to rsync, cp, mv, ls, ncdu, tree, rm, etc.
 - **rclone mount**: mounts Object store as a disk on many systems
 - (optional) **server side encryption**
 - Works on Windows and Linux
 - (Experimental) GUI available
- s3cmd
 - s3 endpoint
 - client for uploading, retrieving and managing data in s3 bucket
- s3fs
 - s3 endpoint
 - large subset of POSIX including reading/writing files, directories, symlinks, mode, uid/gid, and extended attributes
 - optional server side encryption

GARR Cloud storage utilization



- estensione CED istituti
- ricerca biomedica
- servizi GARR
- ricerca spaziale
- earth observation
- ricerca informatica
- beni culturali
- formazione/didattica
- altro

Conclusions

- GARR Cloud uses Ceph since 2015 with satisfaction
 - Great direct and indirect support from ceph-users@ceph.io
 - Upgraded seamlessly from Ceph v0.9 (Hammer) to v16 (Octopus)
 - ~10 PB raw storage managed
 - 1.5 PB net / 4.5 PB raw currently used / requested by 250 active users
 - Hot data migration to the new hardware infrastructure done
 - Not a single bit lost; performance degradation during migrations handled
 - Complete configuration of new hardware by end of November
- Next steps
 - Complete CT \leftrightarrow PA mirroring of Object Store and Glance (Cloud images) pools
 - Implement Ceph File System provisioning (OpenStack Manila)

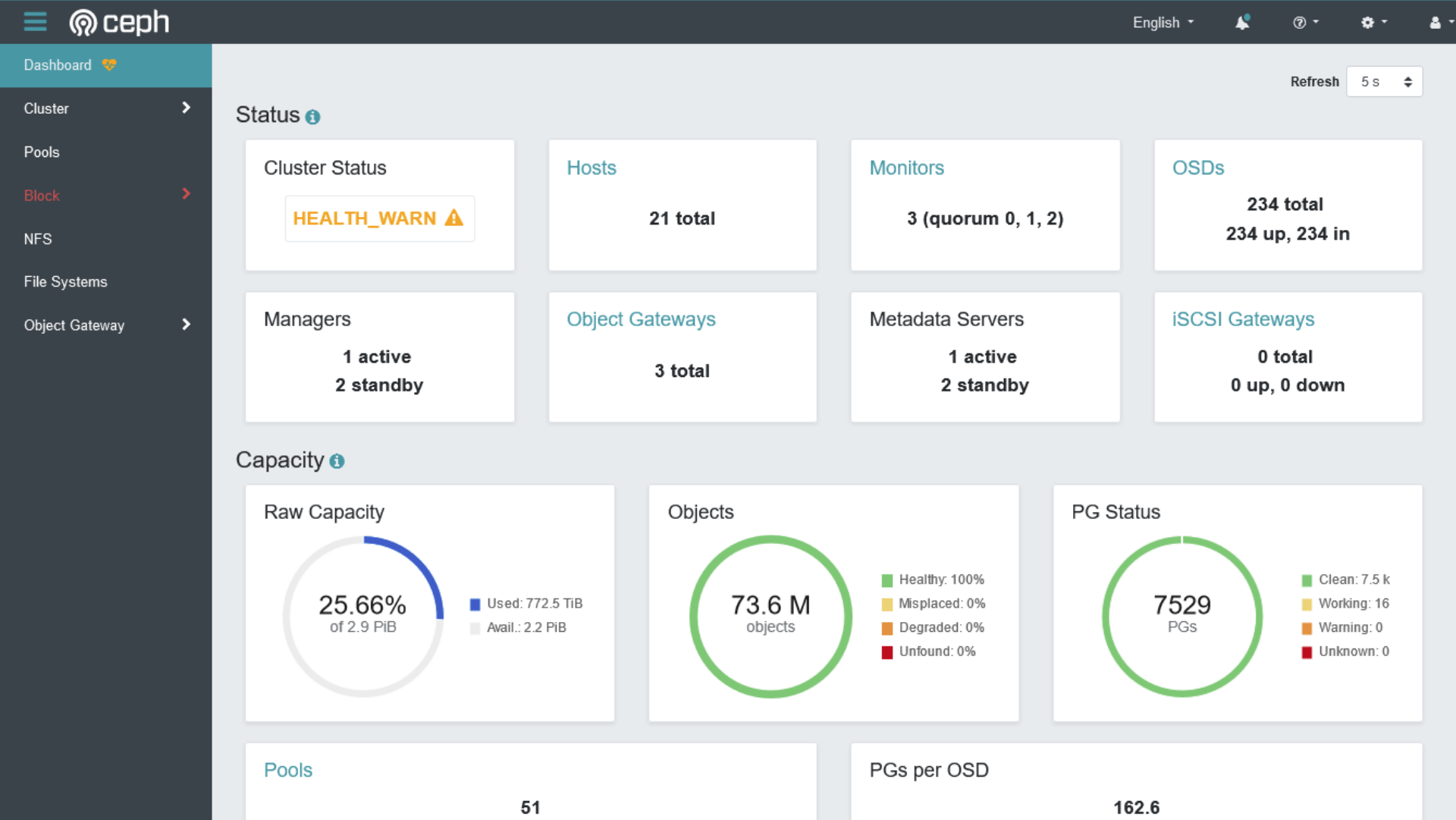
A close-up underwater photograph showing a person's hand gently touching the bell of a jellyfish. The jellyfish is translucent with a distinct purple or red oral groove. The scene is set in clear blue water with sunlight filtering through, creating shimmering patterns on the hand and the jellyfish. The text "Questions?" is overlaid in a bold, blue, sans-serif font on the jellyfish's bell.

Questions?



Backup

Monitoring (Pacific: PA1)



cloud evolution timeline

