

# TOWARDS NEW GENERATION MONITORING

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# Motivation: Importance is Growing

- auto-scaling
- accounting
- audit tracking
- debugging
- diagnosis
- fault-detection
- job scheduling
- profiling
- performance analysis
- recovery

Cloud environment

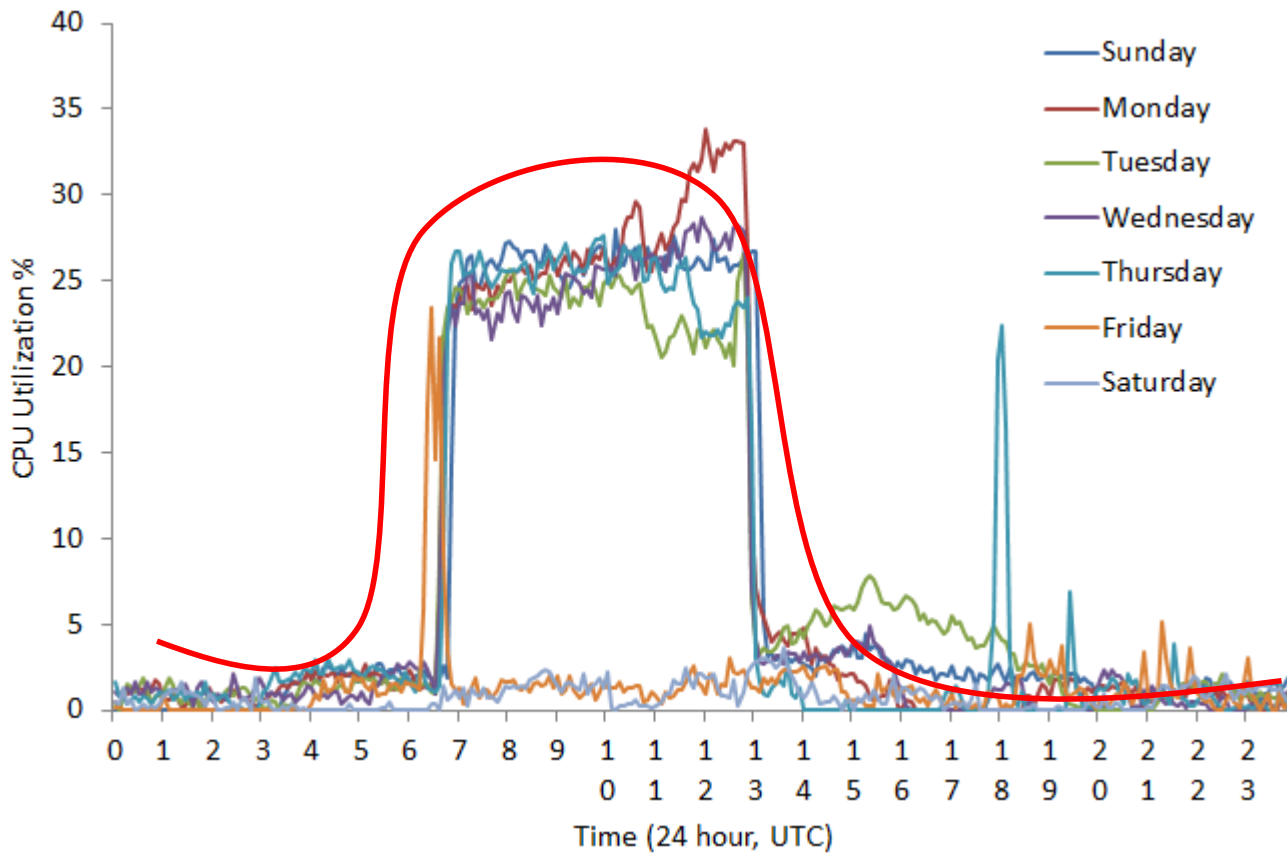
Virtualized simulation environment

# Motivation: Emerging Problems

Emergence of **Cloud computing** caused or emphasized problems in monitoring such as:

- Processing speed
- Latency
- Scalability
- Extensibility
- Interoperability
- Security
- Missing functionality
- Massive Virtualization
- Nature and amount of MI
- Inter-cloud advent
- Multi-tenancy
- Predictive monitoring

# Problem (missing): Predictive Monitoring / CEP



# Solution: Unified Representation of MI

- Measurements
  - Logs
  - Notifications
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- Others: Aggregation
- Hard to **process**
- Correlation too **complex**
- Predictive analysis based only on **statistical data**

➔ Shift to Event-based Monitoring

# Problem (performance): Logging

- Syslog

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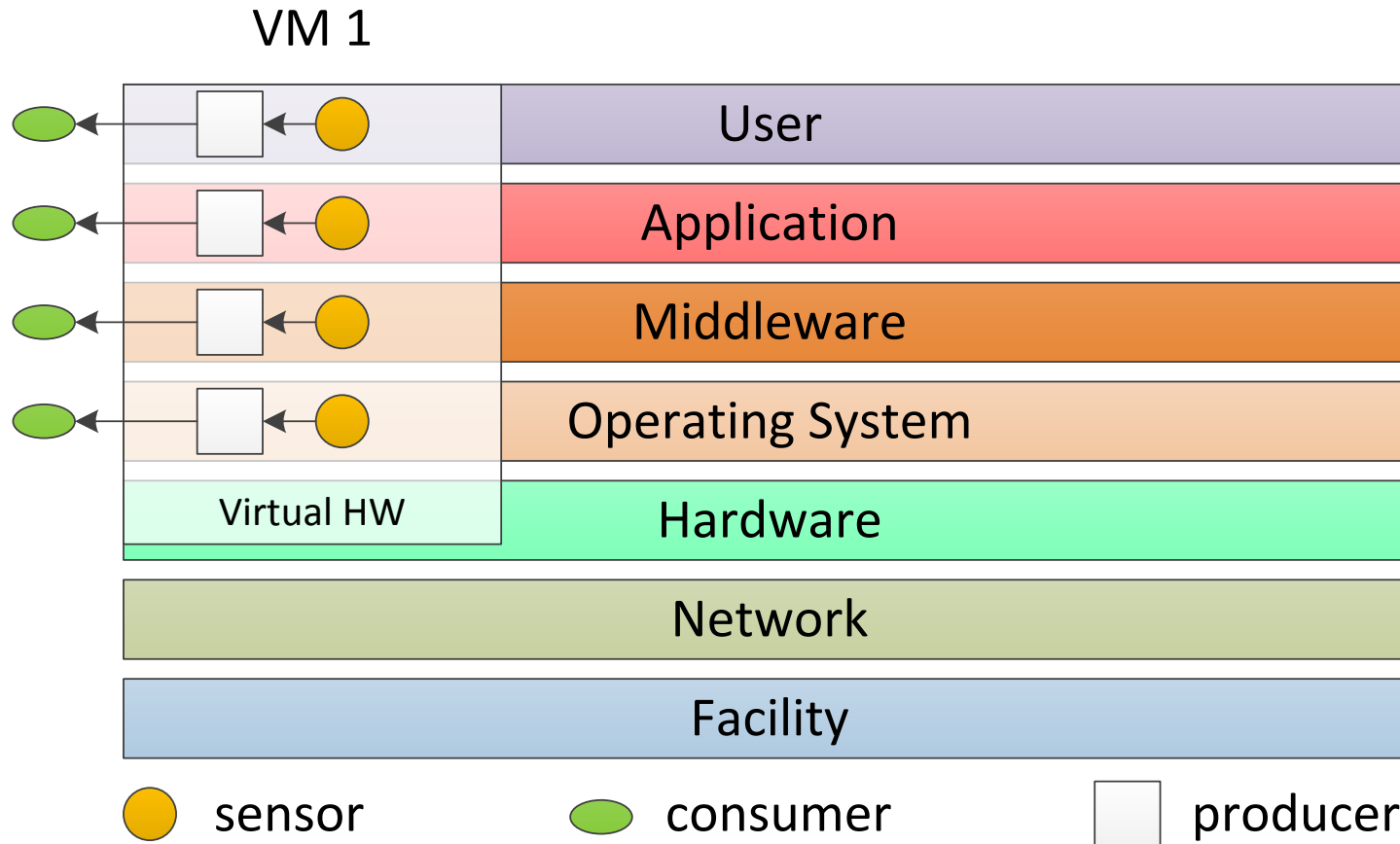
- Standardized
  - Self-describing
  - Extensible schema
  - Structured
  - Compact
- Hard to **process**
    - Complex regular expressions
    - Expensive
    - Data mining
  - Hard to **maintain**
    - Data structure update
  - Not self-describing
    - Limited metadata
  - Others: Abstraction



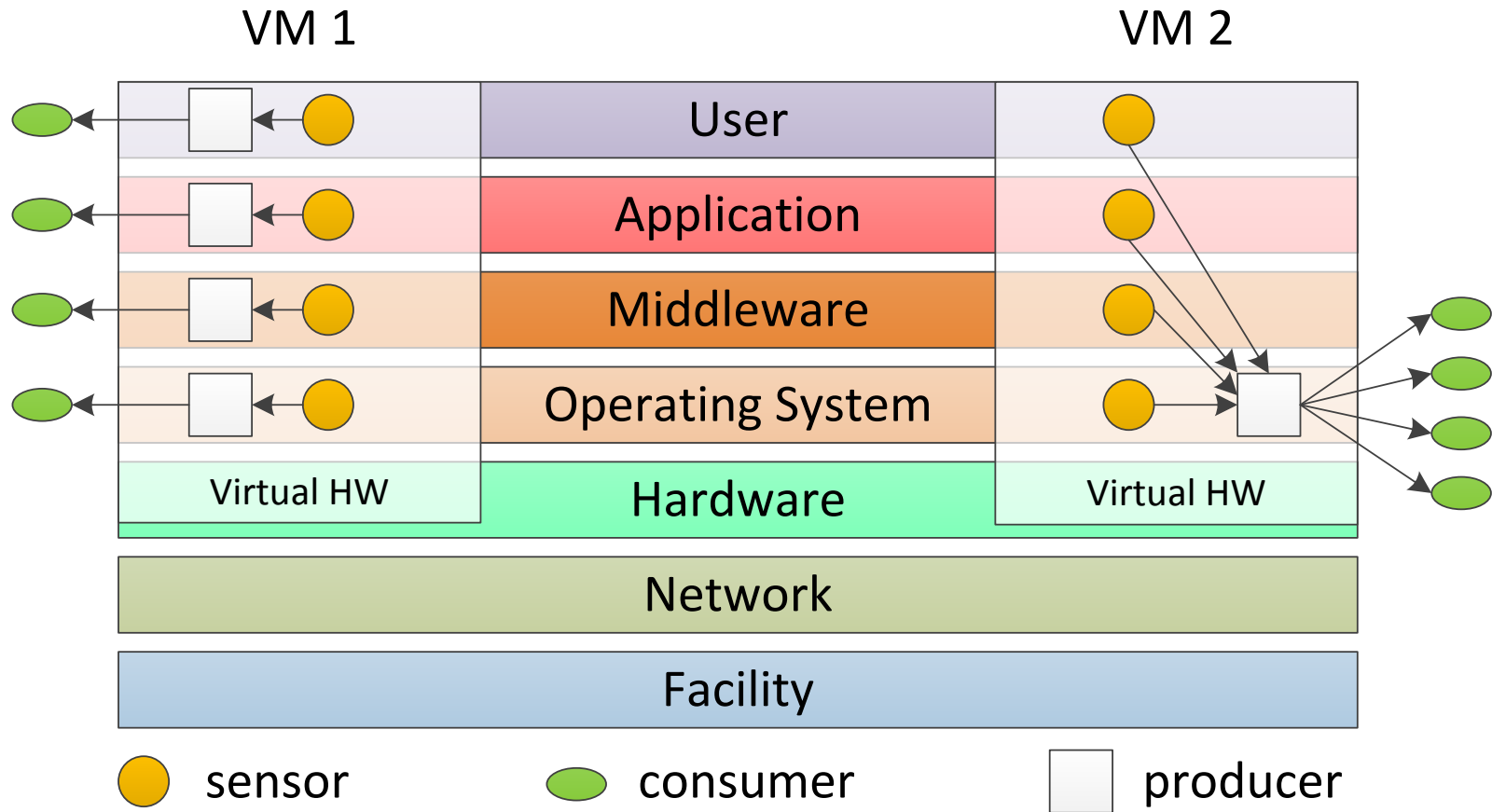
# Solution: JSON Encoding

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{ 'Event' : {  
    'id' : 16051986,  
    'occurrenceTime' : '2012-04-11T08:25:13.129Z',  
    'hostname' : 'Lykomedes.fi.muni.cz',  
    'type' : 'org.apache.httpd.request.GET',  
    'application' : 'Apache Server',  
    'process' : 'httpd',  
    'processId' : 4219,  
    'severity' : 1,  
    'http://httpd.apache.org/v2.4/events.jsch' : {  
        'resource' : '/apache_pb.gif',  
        'protocol' : 'HTTP/1.0',  
        'response' : 200  
    }  
}  
}}
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# Problem (missing): Multi-tenancy

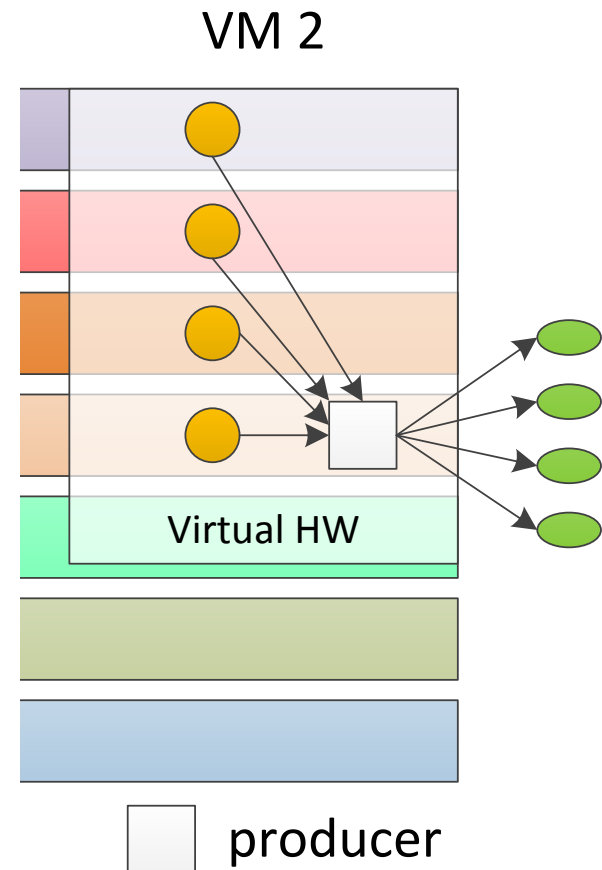


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# Solution: Compliance with Requirements

- Concurrency
- Isolation
- Integrity
- Proof-of-origin

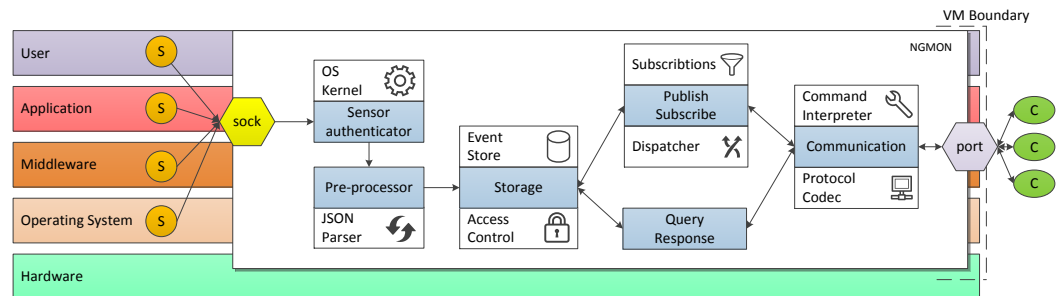


# Research Results to date

- **Towards Multi-Tenant and Interoperable Monitoring of Virtual Machines in Cloud**
- 12th International Symposium on Symbolic and Numeric Algorithms for Scientific Computing (SYNASC 2012).  
Workshop on Management of Resources and Services in Cloud and Sky Computing, 2012 [pre-print]
- Experimental prototype (**Ngmon**)

# Paper summary

- Requirements
  - Multi-tenancy
  - Unified Representation of Monitoring Information
  - Extensible data format
  - Standard delivery channel
- Design and implementation of **Ngmon** – monitoring daemon



# Dissertation topic motivation

- Many problems emerged with advent of Cloud computing
- Respective solutions strongly influence each other
- Monitoring needs to be re-designed from ground up
- All requirements (problems) must be met and properly balanced

# Short-comings / Requirements

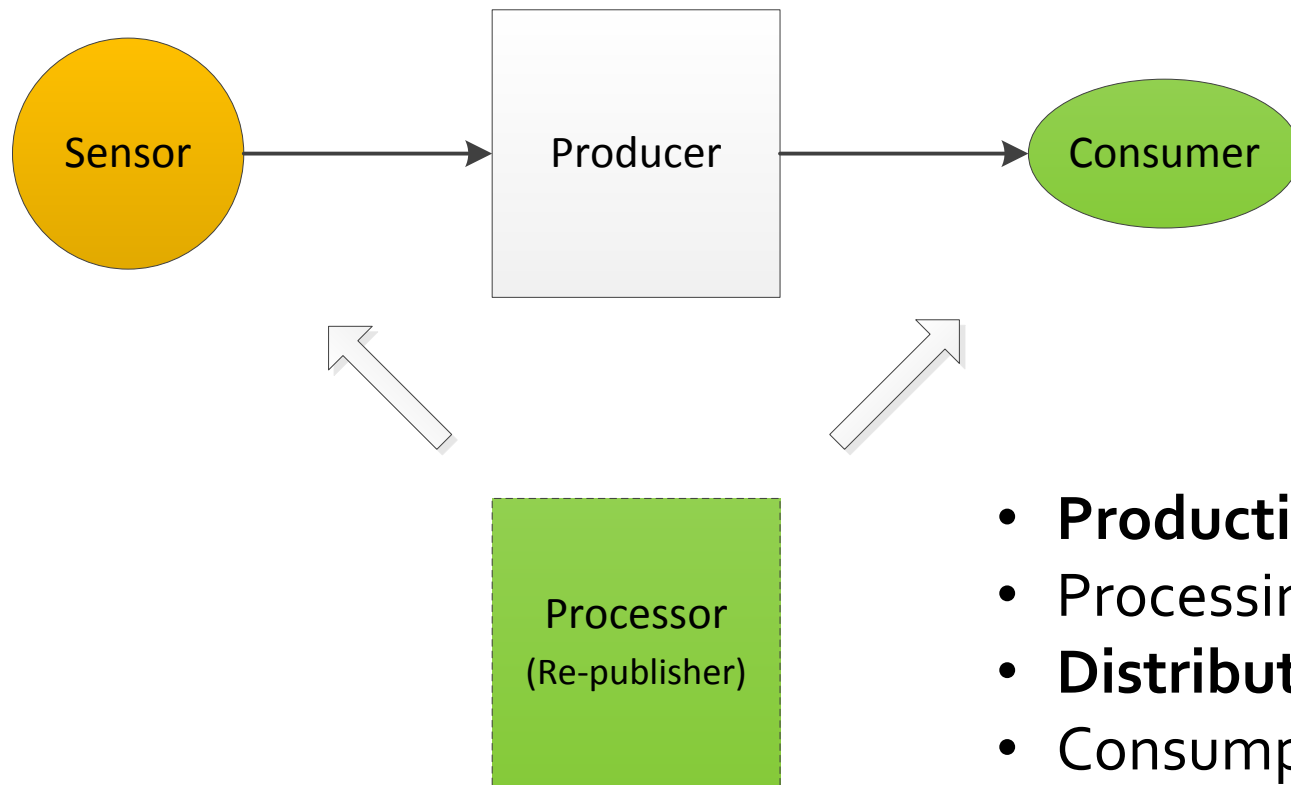
- Processing speed
- Latency
- Scalability
- Network overhead
  
- Extensibility
- Interoperability
- Maintainability
  
- Additional functionality
  - Multi-tenancy
  - Complex Event Processing + Predictive Analysis

## Methods:

- Experiment
  
- Comparative study
  
- Proof-of-concept
- Exp. / Comp. study



# Monitoring process and architecture



M. Mansouri-Samani. *Monitoring of Distributed Systems*. University of London, 1995.  
B Tierney, R Aydt, D Gunter, W Smith, and M Swany. *A grid monitoring architecture*. 2002.

# Dissertation Goal: New Generation Monitoring Architecture

- High-level architecture
  - Refinement of GMA (Sensor, Producer, Dist. channel)
  - Focus on current short-comings and in turn focus on general state-of-the-art in related areas
  - Functional and Non-Functional Requirements
- Mid-level architecture
  - Internal design
  - Protocols
  - Data formats
  - Algorithms
- Prototype
  - Proof-of concept / Experimentations
  - Algorithm optimizations