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CloudBridge aims to provide a simple layer of abstraction over different cloud providers, reducing or eliminating the need to write conditional code for each cloud.

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CHAPTER 1

Usage example

The simplest possible example for doing something useful with CloudBridge would look like the following.

```
from cloudbridge.factory import CloudProviderFactory, ProviderList

provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.AWS, {})
print(provider.compute.instances.list())
```

In the example above, the AWS_ACCESS_KEY and AWS_SECRET_KEY environment variables must be set to your cloud credentials.

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Quick Reference

The following object graph shows how to access various provider services, and the resource that they return. Click on any object to drill down into its details.

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Installation

The latest release can always be installed form PyPI. For other installation options, see the installation page:

pip install cloudbridge

Documentation

4.1 Concepts and Organisation

4.1.1 Object types

Conceptually, CloudBridge consists of the following types of objects.

- 1. Providers Represents a connection to a cloud provider, and is the gateway to using its services.
- 2. Services Represents a service provided by a cloud provider, such as its compute service, storage service, networking service etc. Services may in turn be divided into smaller services. Smaller services tend to have uniform methods, such as create, find and list. For example, InstanceService.list(), InstanceService.find() etc. which can be used to access cloud resources. Larger services tend to provide organisational structure only. For example, the storage service provides access to the VolumeService, SnapshotService and BucketService.
- 3. Resources resources are objects returned by a service, and represent a remote resource. For example, Instance-Service.list() will return a list of Instance objects, which can be used to manipulate an instance. Similarly, VolumeService.create() will return a Volume object.

The actual source code structure of CloudBridge also mirrors this organisation.

4.1.2 Object identification and naming

In order to function uniformly across cloud providers, object identity and naming must be conceptually consistent. In CloudBridge, there are three main properties for identifying and naming an object.

- 1.Id The *id* corresponds to a unique identifier that can be reliably used to reference a resource. All CloudBridge resources have an id. Most methods in CloudBridge services, such as *get*, use the *id* property to identify and retrieve objects.
- 2. Name The *name* property is a more human-readable identifier for a particular resource, and is often useful to display to the end user instead of the *id*. While it is often unique, it is not guaranteed to be so, and therefore, the *id* property must always be used for uniquely identifying objects. All CloudBridge resources have a *name* property. The

name property is often assigned during resource creation, and is often derived from the *label* property by appending some unique characters to it. Once assigned however, it is unchangeable.

3. Label - Most resources also support a *label* property, which is a user changeable value that can be used to describe an object. When creating resources, cloudbridge often accepts a *label* property as a parameter. The *name* property is derived from the *label*, by appending some unique characters to it. However, there are some resources which do not support a *label* property, such as key pairs and buckets. In the latter case, the *name* can be specified during resource creation, but cannot be changed thereafter.

4.1.3 Detailed class relationships

The following diagram shows a typical provider object graph and the relationship between services.

Some services are nested. For example, to access the instance service, you can use *provider.compute.instances*. Similarly, to get a list of all instances, you can use the following code.

```
instances = provider.compute.instances.list()
print(instances[0].name)
```

4.2 Getting Started

This getting started guide will provide a quick tour of some CloudBridge features. For more details on individual features, see the Using CloudBridge section or the API reference.

4.2.1 Installation

CloudBridge is available on PyPI so to install the latest available version, run:

```
pip install --upgrade cloudbridge
```

For common issues during setup, check the following section: Common Setup Issues <topics/troubleshooting.html>

4.2.2 Create a provider

To start, you will need to create a reference to a provider object. The provider object identifies the cloud you want to work with and supplies your credentials. Each provider instance is tied to a particular zone. Refer to the Setup page for more details information on provider configuration. Once a provider instance is created, the remainder of the code is the same for any provider.

AWS:

OpenStack (with Keystone authentication v2):

OpenStack (with Keystone authentication v3):

Azure:

Google Compute Cloud:

4.2.3 List some resources

Once you have a reference to a provider, explore the cloud platform:

```
provider.security.vm_firewalls.list()
provider.compute.vm_types.list()
provider.storage.snapshots.list()
provider.storage.buckets.list()
```

This will demonstrate the fact that the library was properly installed and your provider object is setup correctly. By itself, those commands are not very interesting so let's create a new instance we can ssh into using a key pair.

4.2.4 Create a key pair

We'll create a new key pair and save the private portion of the key to a file on disk as a read-only file.

```
import os
kp = provider.security.key_pairs.create('cb-keypair')
with open('cloudbridge_intro.pem', 'wb') as f:
    f.write(kp.material)
os.chmod('cloudbridge_intro.pem', 0o400)
```

4.2.5 Create a network

A cloudbridge instance should be launched into a private subnet. We'll create a private network and subnet, and make sure it has internet connectivity, by attaching an internet gateway to the subnet via a router.

4.2.6 Create a VM firewall

Next, we need to create a VM firewall (also commonly known as a security group) and add a rule to allow ssh access. A VM firewall needs to be associated with a private network.

```
from cloudbridge.interfaces.resources import TrafficDirection
fw = provider.security.vm_firewalls.create(
    label='cb-firewall', description='A VM firewall used by
    CloudBridge', network=net)
fw.rules.create(TrafficDirection.INBOUND, 'tcp', 22, 22, '0.0.0.0/0')
```

4.2.7 Launch an instance

We can now launch an instance using the created key pair and security group. We will launch an instance type that has at least 2 CPUs and 4GB RAM. We will also add the network interface as a launch argument.

Note: Note that we iterated through provider.compute.vm_types directly instead of calling provider.compute.vm_types.list(). This is because we need to iterate through all records in this case. The list() method may not always return all records, depending on the global limit for records, necessitating that additional records be paged in. See *Paging and iteration*.

4.2.8 Assign a public IP address

To access the instance, let's assign a public IP address to the instance. For this step, we'll first need to allocate a floating IP address for our account and then associate it with the instance. Note that floating IPs are associated with an Internet Gateway so we allocate the IP under the gateway we dealt with earlier.

```
if not inst.public_ips:
    fip = gateway.floating_ips.create()
    inst.add_floating_ip(fip)
    inst.refresh()
inst.public_ips
# [u'54.166.125.219']
```

From the command prompt, you can now ssh into the instance ssh -i cloudbridge_intro.pem ubuntu@54.166.125.219.

4.2.9 Get a resource

When a resource already exists, a reference to it can be retrieved using either its ID, name, or label. It is important to note that while IDs and names are unique, multiple resources of the same type could use the same label, thus the *find* method always returns a list, while the *get* method returns a single object. While the methods are similar across resources, they are explicitly listed in order to help map each resource with the service that handles it. Note that labeled resources allow to find by label, while unlabeled resources find by name or their special properties (eg: public_ip for floating IPs). For more detailed information on the types of resources and their provider mappings, see *Resource Types and Dashboard Mapping*.

```
# Key Pair
kp = provider.security.key_pairs.get('keypair ID')
kp = provider.security.key_pairs.find(name='cb-keypair')[0]

# Floating IPs
fip = gateway.floating_ips.get('FloatingIP ID')
# Find using public IP address
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```
fip_list = gateway.floating_ips.find(public_ip='IP address')
# Find using name (the behavior of the `name` property can be
# cloud-dependent). More details can be found `here <topics/resource_types_and_
→mapping.html>`
fip_list = gateway.floating_ips.find(name='cb-fip')[0]
# Network
net = provider.networking.networks.get('network ID')
net_list = provider.networking.networks.find(label='my-network')
net = net_list[0]
# Subnet
sn = provider.networking.subnets.get('subnet ID')
# Unknown network
sn_list = provider.networking.subnets.find(label='cb-subnet')
# Known network
sn_list = provider.networking.subnets.find(network=net.id,
                                           label='cb-subnet')
sn = sn_list(0)
# Router
router = provider.networking.routers.get('router ID')
router_list = provider.networking.routers.find(label='cb-router')
router = router_list[0]
# Gateway
gateway = net.gateways.get_or_create()
# Firewall
fw = provider.security.vm_firewalls.get('firewall ID')
fw_list = provider.security.vm_firewalls.find(label='cb-firewall')
fw = fw_list[0]
# Instance
inst = provider.compute.instances.get('instance ID')
inst_list = provider.compute.instances.list(label='cb-instance')
inst = inst_list[0]
```

4.2.10 Cleanup

To wrap things up, let's clean up all the resources we have created

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```
net.delete()
```

And that's it - a full circle in a few lines of code. You can now try the same with a different provider. All you will need to change is the cloud-specific data, namely the provider setup and the image ID.

4.3 Using CloudBridge

Introductions to all the key parts of CloudBridge you'll need to know:

4.3.1 Installation

Prerequisites: CloudBridge runs on Python 2.7 and higher. Python 3 is recommended.

We highly recommend installing CloudBridge in a virtualenv. Creating a new virtualenv is simple:

```
pip install virtualenv virtualenv .venv source .venv/bin/activate
```

Latest stable release

The latest release of CloudBridge can be installed from PyPI:

```
pip install cloudbridge
```

Latest unreleased dev version

The development version of the library can be installed directly from the GitHub repo:

```
$ pip install --upgrade git+https://github.com/CloudVE/cloudbridge.git
```

Developer installation

To install additional libraries required by CloudBridge contributors, such as tox, clone the source code repository and run the following command from the repository root directory:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/CloudVE/cloudbridge.git
$ cd cloudbridge
$ pip install --upgrade --editable .[dev]
```

Checking installation

To check what version of the library you have installed, do the following:

```
import cloudbridge
cloudbridge.get_version()
```

4.3.2 Procuring access credentials

To initialize a connection to a cloud and get a provider object, you will need to provide the cloud's access credentials to CloudBridge. This page will walk you through the process of procuring credentials on different providers. For more information on using the obtained credentials with CloudBridge, see Connection and Authentication Setup page.

Microsoft Azure

The page linked below from the Microsoft documentation was used to create this section, and can be followed instead of this CloudBridge-specific documentation to procure Azure credentials https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/azure-resource-manager/resource-group-create-service-principal-portal.

In order to follow the instructions below, one needs a Microsoft Azure account and an active Subscription, as well as web portal access: https://portal.azure.com/ The following section will walk you through the process of creating an application, which is required for API access, as well as help you locate all required Azure credentials for API access via CloudBridge.

Azure credentials require a Subscription ID which can be procured through Subscriptions in the Azure portal.

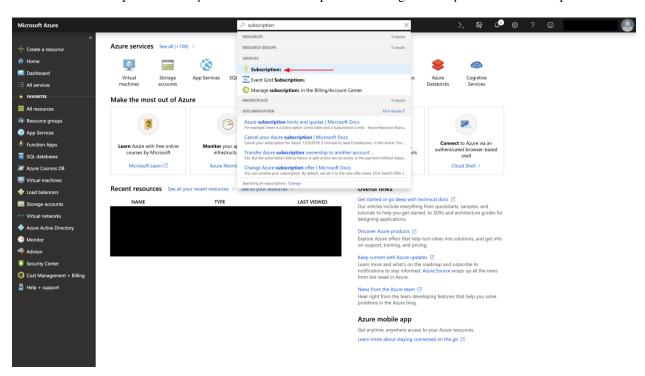


Fig. 1: Subscriptions can be accessed by searching, or by choosing Subscriptions in the All Services window

Another piece of credentials that already exists on any Azure account is a *Tenant ID* which will correspond to the *Active Directory ID*, which can be procured through the Azure Active Directory's *Properties*.

In order to access the API, an application needs to be registered and a key needs to be created. After creating an application through the *App Registrations* window under the *Active Directory*, the *Application ID* of the app will correspond to the *Client ID* in CloudBridge, and the generated value of its key, will correspond to the *Secret*.

Finally, in order to have appropriate permissions, you must assign an appropriate role to the newly created application. Permissions can be assigned at the level of the Subscription, or at the level of each Resource Group. *Contributor* access is recommended for general use in order to have sufficient permissions to create and manage all types of resources, but specific roles can also be assigned for more limited access.

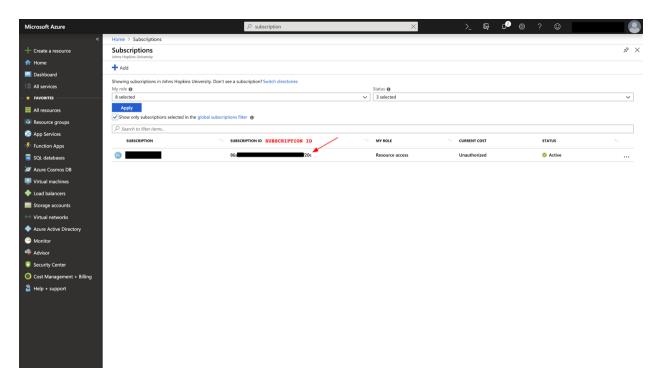


Fig. 2: The Subscription ID will be found in the list of subscriptions

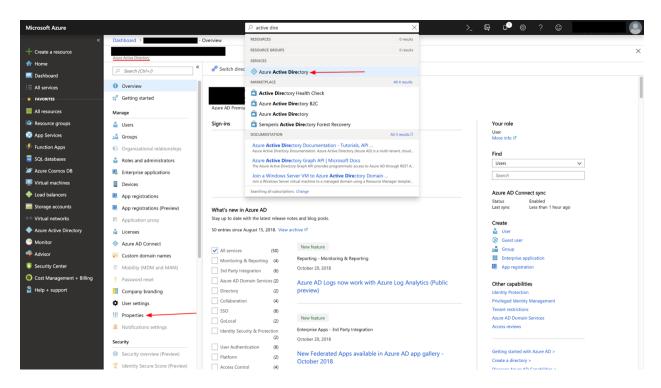


Fig. 3: The Azure Active Directory can be access by searching, or by choosing Azure Active Directory in the All Services window. Azure Active Directory is also a default favorite on the sidebar.

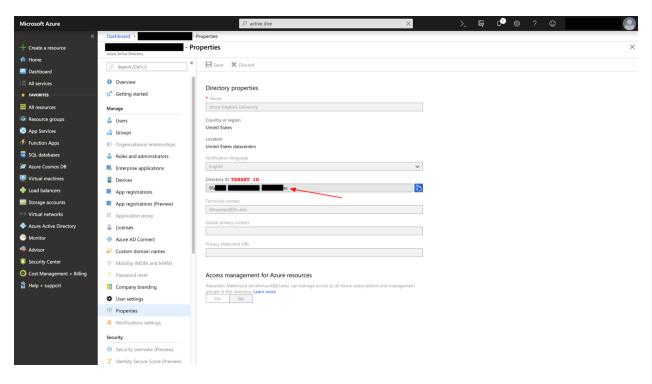


Fig. 4: The *Directory ID* will be found in the Directory's *Properties* section

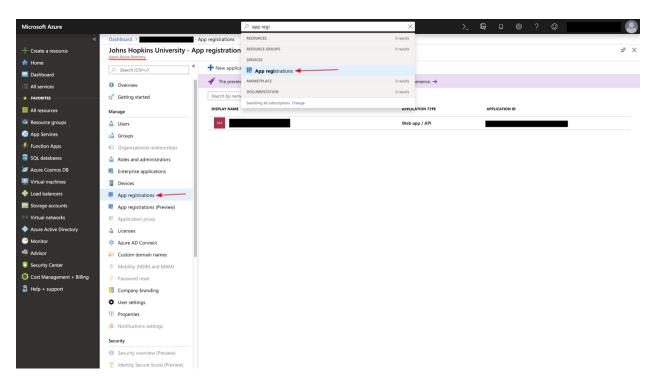


Fig. 5: App Registrations can be access by searching, or through choosing App Registrations under Azure Active Directory.

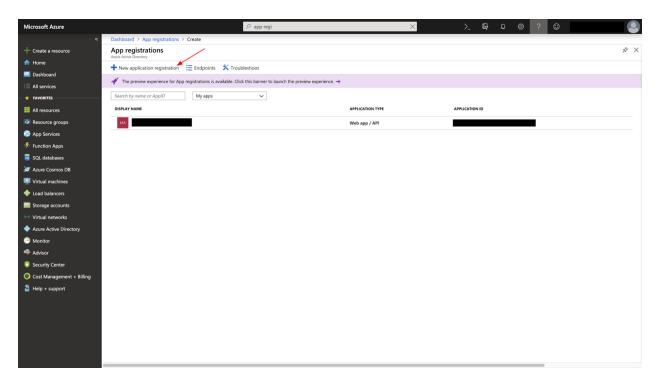


Fig. 6: The New Application Registration button will allow users to create a new application

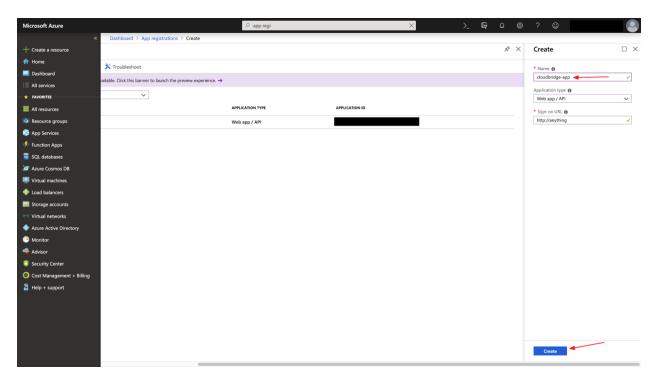


Fig. 7: The *Name* has to be unique within the subscription and will be used to identify the *Application* later on. The *Sign-on URL* can be any URL-looking string. It does not have to point towards anything.

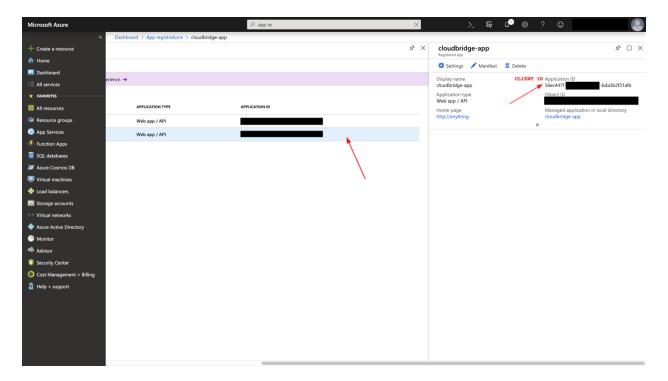


Fig. 8: After creating the application, one must select it, after which the *Application ID* will map to the *Client ID* in CloudBridge.

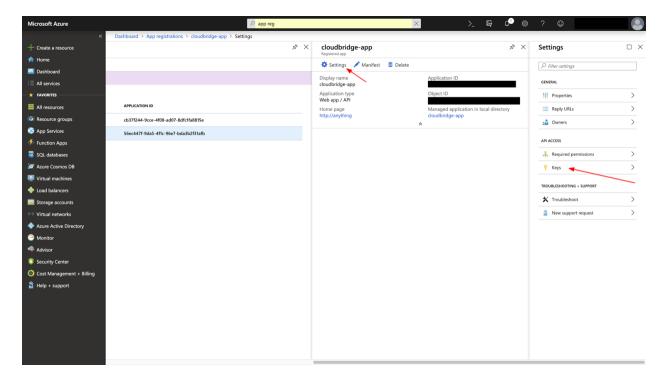


Fig. 9: In the application's *Settings* panel, under the *Keys* section, one will be able to create a new *Secret*.

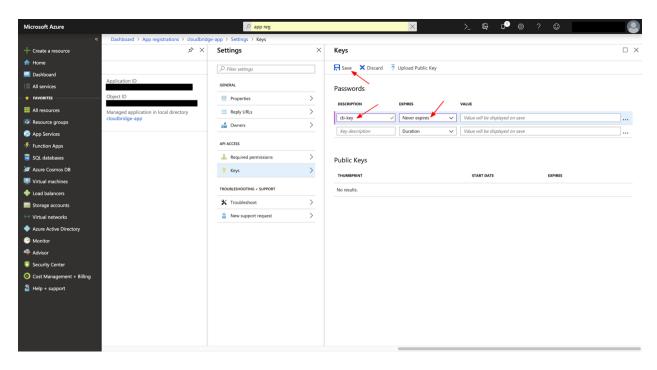


Fig. 10: Any name can be given to the key, and any expiration date, after which the *Save* button will generate the *Key* which will correspond to the *Secret* in CloudBridge.

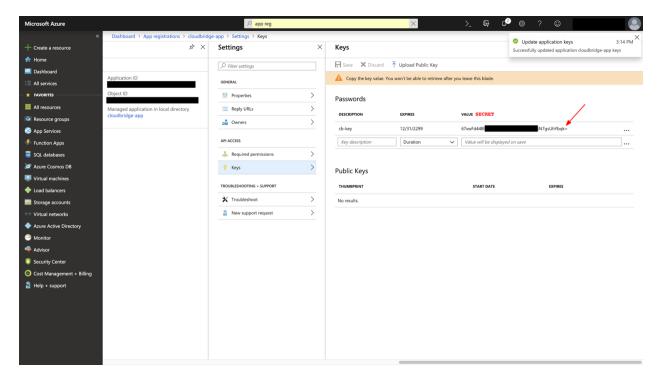


Fig. 11: The value of the key will correspond to the Secret in CloudBridge and needs to be saved at creation-time.

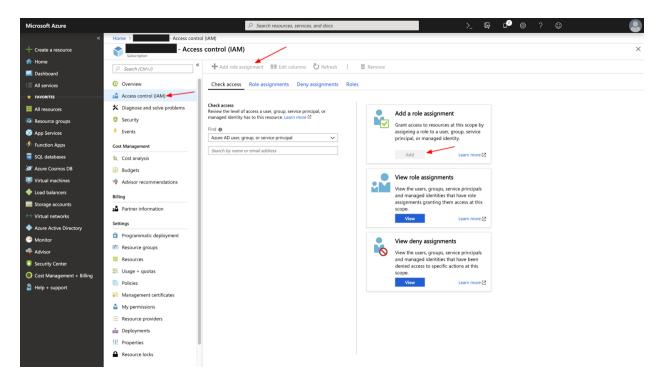


Fig. 12: Subscription-level access will allow the application to access resources from multiple resource groups.

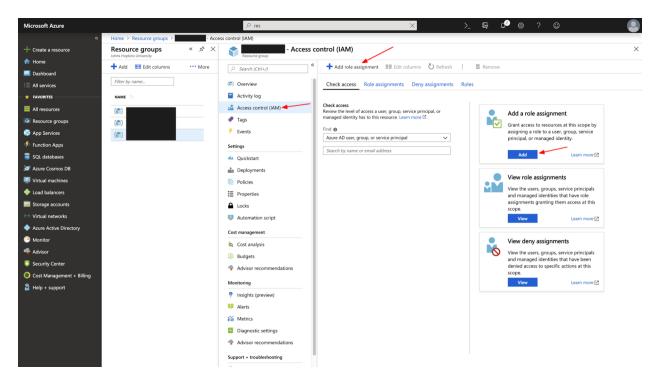


Fig. 13: When roles are set at the level of the Resource Group, one must specify this Resource Group as part of the credentials, as the application will not have enough permissions to create a Resource Group.

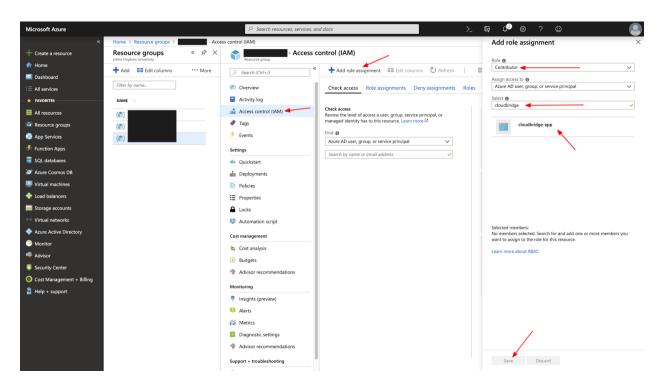


Fig. 14: Adding a role assignment to the application will give it appropriate permissions to manage resources.

Google Cloud Platform (GCP)

For Google Cloud Platform (GCP), create a service account followed by creating and downloading a key. Additional instructions are available at this link https://cloud.google.com/iam/docs/creating-managing-service-accounts# creating_a_service_account.

Start off by clicking on the *Create Service Account* button on the IAM & admin section of the Google Cloud Console: https://console.cloud.google.com/iam-admin/serviceaccounts.

Next, we provide a name for the service account and an informative description. Note that the supplied name is used to create an email address for the service account. Once created, this email cannot be changed.

We then assign a role to the service account. Depending on what you will be doing with the service account, and CloudBridge, you can set granular access roles for the service account. The *Editor* role on the project is very broad and will allow you to exercise all of the CloudBridge capabilities.

After a service account has been created, we need to add a key to it.

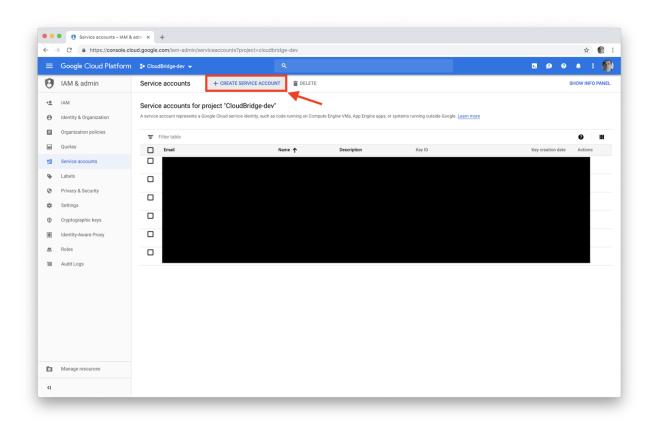
→YbshW/jibYXwdj\n----END PRIVATE KEY----",

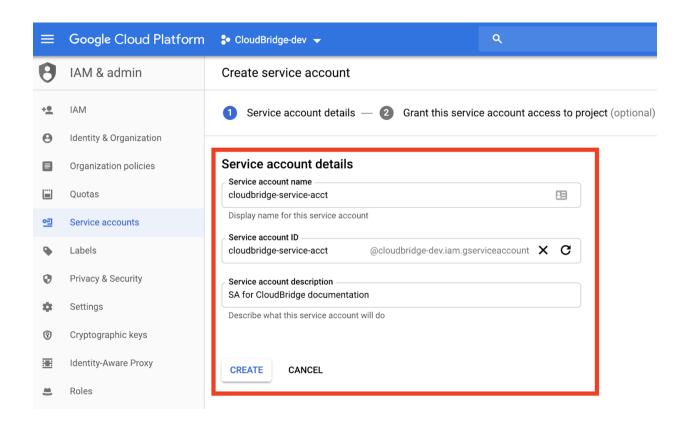
Finally, choose the JSON format for the key when prompted. The file that is downloaded will be used with Cloud-Bridge through the variables shown on the Connection and Authentication Setup page. Note that you may have multiple keys associated with the same service account.

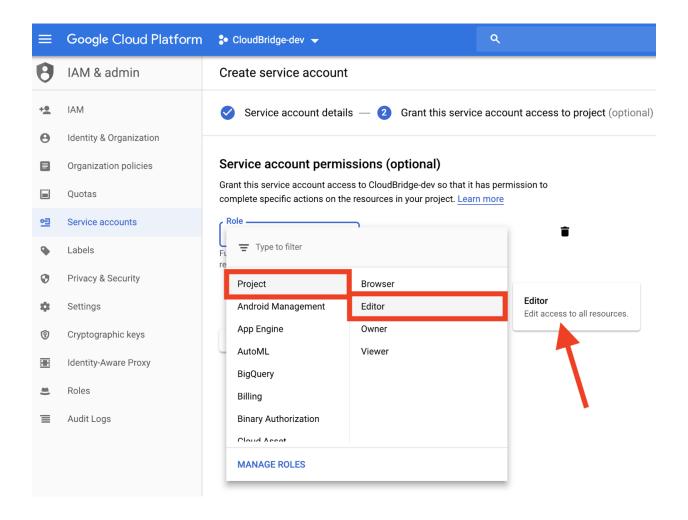
The JSON credentials file will have a similar form to the example shown below, and can either be passed through an absolute path to the file, or through a variable containing the JSON dictionary itself.

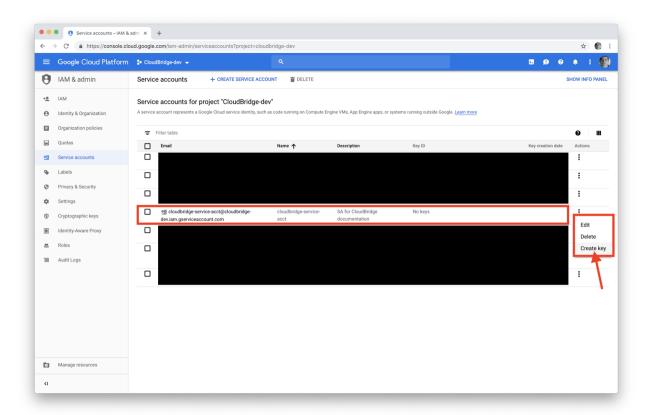
```
{
    "type": "service_account",
    "project_id": "my-project",
    "private_key_id": "b12321312441245gerg245245g42c245g254t425",
    "private_key": "----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY-----\nMIICWgIBAAKBgE1EJDPKM/2wck/
    →CZYCS7F2cXoHXDBhXYtdeV+h70Nk+ABs6scAV\nApYoobJAVpDeL+lutYAwtbscNz5K915DiNEkBf48LhfBWc5ea07OnClOGC990
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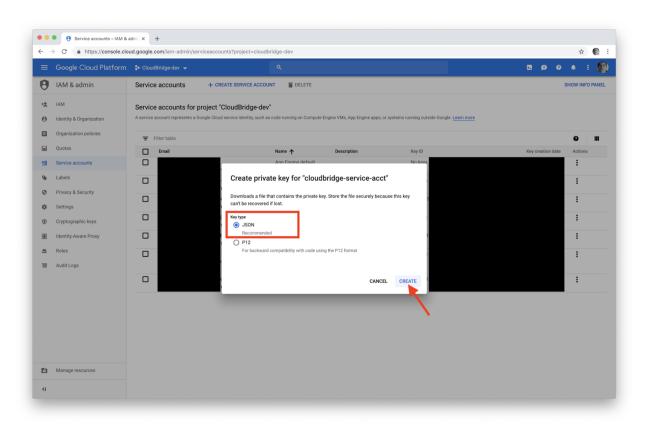
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```











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To pass in the values as a properly escaped multi-line environment variable, use the following:

```
export GCP_SERVICE_CREDS_DICT=`cat ~/path/to/gcp-creds.json`
```

4.3.3 Setup

To initialize a connection to a cloud and get a provider object, you will need to provide the cloud's access credentials to CloudBridge. For more details on how to create and find these credentials, see the Procuring Access Credentials page. Note that you can selectively provide the credentials for any provider you want to use and do not have to provide credentials for all the providers. CloudBridge will consume the available credentials in one of following ways:

- 1. Providing access credentials through a dictionary
- 2. Providing access credentials through environment variables
- 3. Providing access credentials in a CloudBridge config file

Providing access credentials through a dictionary

You can initialize a simple config as follows. The key names are the same as the environment variables, in lower case. Note that the config dictionary will override environment values.

```
from cloudbridge.factory import CloudProviderFactory, ProviderList
## For AWS
config = {'aws_access_key' : '<your_access_key>',
          'aws_secret_key' : '<your_secret_key>'}
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.AWS, config)
## For Azure
config = {'azure_subscription_id': '<your_subscription_id>',
          'azure_client_id': '<your_client_id>',
          'azure_secret': '<your_secret>',
          'azure_tenant': '<your_tenant>',
          'azure_resource_group': '<your resource group>'}
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.AZURE, config)
## For GCP
config = {'gcp_service_creds_file': '<service_creds_file_name>.json'}
# Alternatively, we can supply a dictionary with the credentials values
# as the following:
gcp_creds = {
    "type": "service_account",
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```
"project_id": "project_name>",
    "private_key_id": "<private_key_id>",
    "private_key": "<private_key>",
    "client_email": "<client_email>",
    "client_id": "<client_id>",
    "auth_uri": "https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth",
    "token_uri": "https://oauth2.googleapis.com/token",
    "auth_provider_x509_cert_url": "https://www.googleapis.com/oauth2/v1/certs",
    "client_x509_cert_url": "https://www.googleapis.com/robot/v1/metadata/x509/
→service-name%40my-project.iam.gserviceaccount.com"
config = {'gcp_service_creds_dict': gcp_creds}
# A third alternative is to use a GCP credentials object provided by the GCP python
# sdk. This is for advanced usage scenarios.
# e.g. credentials = AccessTokenCredentials(access_token, "MyAgent/1.0", None)
config = {'gcp_credentials_obj': credentials}
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.GCP, config)
## For OpenStack
config = {'os_username': '<your username>',
          'os_password': '<your password>',
          'os_auth_url': '<auth url>,
          'os_user_domain_name': '<user_domain_name>',
          'os_project_domain_id': '<project_domain_id>',
          'os_project_domain_name': '<project_domain_name>',
          'os_project_name': '')
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.OPENSTACK, config)
```

Some optional configuration values can only be provided through the config dictionary. These are listed below for each provider.

CloudBridge

Variable	Description
default_result_limit	Number of results that a .list() method should return. Default is 50.

AWS

Variable	Description
aws_region_name	Default region name. Default is us-east-1.
aws_zone_name	Default zone name. If not specified, defaults to first zone in default region. If specified, must
	match default region.
aws_session_toke	nSession key for your AWS account (if using temporary credentials).
ec2_endpoint_url	Endpoint to use. Default is ec2.us-east-1.amazonaws.com.
ec2_is_secure	True to use an SSL connection. Default is True.
ec2_validate_cert	s Whether to use SSL certificate verification. Default is False.
s3_endpoint_url	Host connection endpoint. Default is s3.amazonaws.com.
s3_is_secure	True to use an SSL connection. Default is True.
s3_validate_certs	Whether to use SSL certificate verification. Default is False.

Azure

Variable	Description	
azure_access_to	kého sign requests to APIs protected by Azure.	
azure_public_ke	y Sttoragge table name where the key pairs are stored. Default is cbcerts.	
azure_region_na	melefault region to use for the current session. Default is eastus.	
aws_zone_name	Default zone name. If not specified, defaults to first zone in default region. If specified, must	
	match default region.	
azure_resource_	grAupre resource group to use. Default is cloudbridge.	
azure_storage_a	coaunte storage account to use. Note that this value must be unique across Azure and all data in a	
	given session is stored within the supplied storage account. Default storacc + first 6 chars of	
	subscription id + first 6 chars of the supplied resource group.	
azure_vm_defaultSystemamer name for which supplied key pair will be placed.		

GCP

Vari-	Description		
able			
gcp_re	gilon <u>f</u> aultnægion to use for the current session. Default is us-central1.		
gcp_zc	nn <u>De</u> rfaulte zone name. If not specified, defaults to first zone in default region. If specified, must match default		
	region.		
gcp_vi	m Systemtusemme for which supplied key pair will be placed.		
gcp_cr	edPanntiade_dobtjo support advanced usage scenarios where an alternative authentication mechanism		
	is required for GCP. This object replaces GCP_SERVICE_CREDS_DICT and is directly passed		
	to the underlying python sdk's build method as discovery.build('storage', 'v1',		
	credentials=gcp_credentials_obj). You can pass in a manually constructed credentials object		
	<pre>such as creds = AccessTokenCredentials(access_token, "MyAgent/1.0", None).</pre>		
	Refer to the GCP python sdk for available options.		

OpenStack

Providing access credentials through environment variables

The following environment variables must be set, depending on the provider in use. For the meaning of the variables and default values, see the descriptions above.

AWS

Variable	Required?
AWS_ACCESS_KEY	✓
AWS_SECRET_KEY	✓

Azure

Note that managing resources in Azure requires a Resource Group. If a Resource Group is not provided as part of the configuration, CloudBridge will attempt to create a Resource Group using the given credentials. This operation will

happen with the client initialization, and requires a "contributor" or "owner" role.

Similarly, a Storage Account is required when managing some resources, such as key pairs and buckets. If a Storage Account name is not provided as part of the configuration, CloudBridge will attempt to create the Storage Account when initializing the relevant services. This operation similarly requires a "contributor" or "owner" role.

For more information on roles, see https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/role-based-access-control/overview.

Variable	Required?
AZURE_CLIENT_ID	✓
AZURE_SECRET	✓
AZURE_SUBSCRIPTION_ID	✓
AZURE_TENANT	✓
AZURE_PUBLIC_KEY_STORAGE_TABLE_NAME	
AZURE_REGION_NAME	
AZURE_ZONE_NAME	
AZURE_RESOURCE_GROUP	
AZURE_STORAGE_ACCOUNT	
AZURE_VM_DEFAULT_USER_NAME	

GCP

Variable	Required?
GCP_SERVICE_CREDS_DICT or GCP_SERVICE_CREDS_FILE	✓
GCP_ZONE_NAME	
GCP_PROJECT_NAME	
GCP_REGION_NAME	

OpenStack

Variable	Required?
OS_AUTH_URL	✓
OS_USERNAME	✓
OS_PASSWORD	✓
OS_PROJECT_NAME	✓
OS_REGION_NAME	✓
OS_ZONE_NAME	✓
OS_COMPUTE_ZONE_NAME	
OS_NETWORKING_ZONE_NAME	
OS_SECURITY_ZONE_NAME	
OS_STORAGE_ZONE_NAME	
NOVA_SERVICE_NAME	
OS_AUTH_TOKEN	
OS_COMPUTE_API_VERSION	
OS_VOLUME_API_VERSION	
OS_STORAGE_URL	
OS_PROJECT_DOMAIN_ID	
OS_PROJECT_DOMAIN_NAME	
OS_USER_DOMAIN_NAME	

Once the environment variables are set, you can create a connection as follows, replacing ProviderList.AWS with the desired provider (AZURE, GCP, or OPENSTACK):

```
from cloudbridge.factory import CloudProviderFactory, ProviderList
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.AWS, {})
```

Providing access credentials in a CloudBridge config file

CloudBridge can also read credentials from a file on your local file system. The file should be placed in one of two locations: /etc/cloudbridge.ini or ~/.cloudbridge. Each set of credentials should be delineated with the provider ID (e.g., openstack, aws, azure, gcp) with the necessary credentials being supplied in YAML format. Note that only one set of credentials per cloud provider type can be supplied (i.e., via this method, it is not possible to provide credentials for two different OpenStack clouds).

```
[aws]
aws_access_key: access key
aws_secret_key: secret key
[azure]
azure_subscription_id: subscription id
azure_tenant: tenant
azure_client_id: client id
azure_secret: secret
azure_resource_group: resource group
gcp_service_creds_file: absolute path to credentials file
[openstack]
os_username: username
os_password: password
os_auth_url: auth url
os_user_domain_name: user domain name
os_project_domain_id: project domain id
os_project_domain_name: project domain name
os_project_name: project name
```

Once the file is created, you can create a connection as follows, replacing ProviderList.AWS with the desired provider (AZURE, GCP, or OPENSTACK):

```
from cloudbridge.factory import CloudProviderFactory, ProviderList
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(ProviderList.AWS, {})
```

General configuration variables

In addition to the provider specific configuration variables above, there are some general configuration environment variables that apply to CloudBridge as a whole.

Variable	Description
CB_DEBUG	Setting CB_DEBUG=True will cause detailed debug output to be printed for each provider
	(including HTTP traces).
CB_TEST_PROVIDE	RSet this value to a valid ProviderList value such as aws, to limit tests to that provider
	only.
CB_DEFAULT_SUBN	ENarhe ABO Bie used for a subnet that will be considered the 'default' by the library. This
	default will be used only in cases there is no subnet marked as the default by the provider.
CB_DEFAULT_NETV	VORME_ItoABELISED for a network that will be considered the 'default' by the library. This
	default will be used only in cases there is no network marked as the default by the provider.
CB_DEFAULT_IPV4	RATMGdefault IPv4 range when creating networks if one is not provided. This value is also
	used in tests.
CB_DEFAULT_SUBN	FIRE TARIA NOTE: IPv4 range used by CloudBridge if one is not specified by the user.
	Tests do not respect this variable.

4.3.4 Launching instances

Before being able to run below commands, you will need a provider object (see this page).

Common launch data

Before launching an instance, you need to decide what image to launch as well as what type of instance. We will create those objects here. The specified image ID is a base Ubuntu image on AWS so feel free to change it as desired. For instance type, we're going to let CloudBridge figure out what's the appropriate name on a given provider for an instance with at least 2 CPUs and 4 GB RAM.

In addition, CloudBridge instances must be launched into a private subnet. While it is possible to create complex network configurations as shown in the *Private networking* section, if you don't particularly care in which subnet the instance is launched, CloudBridge provides a convenience function to quickly obtain a default subnet for use.

```
subnet = provider.networking.subnets.get_or_create_default()
```

When launching an instance, you can also specify several optional arguments such as the firewall (aka security group), a key pair, or instance user data. To allow you to connect to the launched instances, we will also supply those parameters (note that we're making an assumption here these resources exist; if you don't have those resources under your account, take a look at the Getting Started guide).

```
kp = provider.security.key_pairs.find(name='cloudbridge-intro')[0]
fw = provider.security.vm_firewalls.list()[0]
```

Launch an instance

Once we have all the desired pieces, we'll use them to launch an instance. Note that the instance is launched in the provider's default region and zone, and can be overridden by changing the provider config.

```
inst = provider.compute.instances.create(
    label='cloudbridge-vpc', image=img, vm_type=vm_type,
    subnet=subnet, key_pair=kp, vm_firewalls=[fw])
```

Private networking

Private networking gives you control over the networking setup for your instance(s) and is considered the preferred method for launching instances. To launch an instance with an explicit private network, you can create a custom network and make sure it has internet connectivity. You can then launch into that subnet.

```
net = self.provider.networking.networks.create(
    label='my-network', cidr_block='10.0.0.0/16')
sn = net.subnets.create(label='my-subnet', cidr_block='10.0.0.0/28')
# make sure subnet has internet access
router = self.provider.networking.routers.create(label='my-router', network=net)
router.attach_subnet(sn)
gateway = net.gateways.get_or_create()
router.attach_gateway(gateway)

inst = provider.compute.instances.create(
    label='cloudbridge-vpc', image=img, vm_type=vm_type,
    subnet=sn, key_pair=kp, vm_firewalls=[fw])
```

For more information on how to create and setup a private network, take a look at Networking.

Block device mapping

Optionally, you may want to provide a block device mapping at launch, specifying volume or ephemeral storage mappings for the instance. While volumes can also be attached and mapped after instance boot using the volume service, specifying block device mappings at launch time is especially useful when it is necessary to resize the root volume.

The code below demonstrates how to resize the root volume. For more information, refer to LaunchConfig.

```
lc = provider.compute.instances.create_launch_config()
lc.add_volume_device(source=img, size=11, is_root=True)
inst = provider.compute.instances.create(
    label='cloudbridge-bdm', image=img, vm_type=vm_type,
    launch_config=lc, key_pair=kp, vm_firewalls=[fw],
    subnet=subnet)
```

where img is the Image object to use for the root volume.

After launch

After an instance has launched, you can access its properties:

```
# Wait until ready
inst.wait_till_ready() # This is a blocking call
inst.state
# 'running'
```

Depending on the provider's networking setup, it may be necessary to explicitly assign a floating IP address to your instance. This can be done as follows:

```
# Create a new floating IP address
fip = provider.networking.floating_ips.create()
# Assign the desired IP to the instance
inst.add_floating_ip(fip)
inst.refresh()
inst.public_ips
# [u'149.165.168.143']
```

4.3.5 Private networking

Private networking gives you control over the networking setup for your instance(s) and is considered the preferred method for launching instances. Also, providers these days are increasingly requiring use of private networks. All CloudBridge deployed VMs must be deployed into a particular subnet.

If you do not explicitly specify a private network to use when launching an instance, CloudBridge will attempt to use a default one. A 'default' network is one tagged as such by the native API. If such tag or functionality does not exist, CloudBridge will look for one with a predefined label (by default, called 'cloudbridge-net', which can be overridden with environment variable CB_DEFAULT_NETWORK_LABEL).

Once a VM is deployed, CloudBridge's networking capabilities must address several common scenarios.

1. Allowing internet access from a launched VM

In the simplest scenario, a user may simply want to launch an instance and allow the instance to access the internet.

2. Allowing internet access to a launched VM

Alternatively, the user may want to allow the instance to be contactable from the internet. In a more complex scenario, a user may want to deploy VMs into several subnets, and deploy a gateway, jump host, or bastion host to access other VMs which are not directly connected to the internet. In the latter scenario, the gateway/jump host/bastion host will need to be contactable over the internet.

3. Secure access between subnets for n-tier applications

In this third scenario, a multi-tier app may be deployed into several subnets depending on their tier. For example, consider the following scenario:

- Tier 1/Subnet 1 Web Server needs to be externally accessible over the internet. However, in this particular scenario, the web server itself does not need access to the internet.
- Tier 2/Subnet 2 Application Server must only be able to communicate with the database server in Subnet 3, and receive communication from the Web Server in Subnet 1. However, we assume a special case here where the application server needs to access the internet.
- Tier 3/Subnet 3 Database Server must only be able to receive incoming traffic from Tier 2, but must not be able to make outgoing traffic outside of its subnet.

At present, CloudBridge does not provide support for this scenario, primarily because OpenStack's FwaaS (Firewall-as-a-Service) is not widely available.

1. Allowing internet access from a launched VM

Creating a private network is a simple, one-line command but appropriately connecting it so that it has uniform internet access across all providers is a multi-step process: (1) create a network; (2) create a subnet within this network; (3) create a router; (4) attach the router to the subnet; and (5) attach the router to the internet gateway.

When creating a network, we need to set an address pool. Any subsequent subnets you create must have a CIDR block that falls within the parent network's CIDR block. CloudBridge also defines a default IPv4 network range in BaseNetwork.CB_DEFAULT_IPV4RANGE. Below, we'll create a subnet starting from the beginning of the block and allow up to 16 IP addresses within a subnet (/28).

2. Allowing internet access to a launched VM

The additional step that's required here is to assign a floating IP to the VM:

```
net = provider.networking.networks.create(
    label='my-network', cidr_block='10.0.0.0/16')
sn = net.subnets.create(label='my-subnet', cidr_block='10.0.0.0/28')

vm = provider.compute.instances.create(label='my-inst', subnet=sn, ...)

router = provider.networking.routers.create(label='my-router', network=net)
router.attach_subnet(sn)
gateway = net.gateways.get_or_create()
router.attach_gateway(gateway)

fip = provider.networking.floating_ips.create()
vm.add_floating_ip(fip)
```

Retrieve an existing private network

If you already have existing networks, we can query for it:

```
provider.networking.networks.list() # Find a desired network ID
net = provider.networking.networks.get('desired network ID')
```

4.3.6 DNS Service

The DNS service provides a cloud-independent way to create and edit dns zones and records.

1. Creating a DNS zone

At the top-level, dns records are organized into zones. A zone is a portion of the dns namespace that's managed by a particular organization or group.

```
host_zone = provider.dns.host_zones.create("cloudve.org.", "admin@cloudve.org")
```

2. Create a DNS record

Once a zone is created, you can create records as required.

```
host_zone = provider.dns.host_zones.find(name="cloudve.org.")

# create an A record

rec1 = host_zone.records.create("mysubdomain.cloudve.org.", DnsRecordType.A, data='10.

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```

4.3.7 Object states and lifecycles

Overview

Some objects, namely, Instances, Volumes, Snapshots and Images, have a specific life-cycle and a set of states they can be in. For example, an Instance may be in state RUNNING and a volume maybe in state AVAILABLE. These provider specific states are mapped to a common vocabulary of states in CloudBridge.

In addition, it is common to want to wait for objects to reach a particular state. For example, wait for an instance to transition from PENDING->RUNNING. To facilitate this, all such objects in CloudBridge implement the ObjectLifeCycleMixin. Each object with a lifecycle has a state property, a refresh method and a wait_for method.

The state property will return the object's current state, and the refresh() method can be used to requery the server and update the object's state. The wait_for method can be used to wait for the object to transition to a desired state or set of states.

There is also a convenience method named wait_till_ready(), which will wait for the object to reach a ready-to-use state. A ready-to-use state would mean that the object has been successfully created and can be interacted with, and is not in an error state. Since this can be tedious to get right, the wait_till_ready() method encapsulates this behaviour. For example - in the case of an Instance, wait_till_ready() will internally call the wait_for method as follows:

```
self.wait_for(
   [InstanceState.RUNNING],
   terminal_states=[InstanceState.DELETED, InstanceState.ERROR],
   timeout=timeout,
   interval=interval)
```

This would cause the wait_for method to repeatedly call refresh() till the object's state reaches RUNNING. It will raise a WaitStateException if the timeout expires, or the object reaches a terminal state, such as DELETED or ERROR, in which case it is no longer reasonable to wait for the object to reach a running state.

Informational states and actionable states

As in the wait_for example above, some states are purely informational, and some states are actionable. Informational states are meant to provide information to the end-user, and should generally not be used by program logic to take actions. For example, it would be incorrect to write a wait_for function as follows:

```
wait_for([InstanceState.PENDING], ...)
```

This is because the PENDING state is fleeting and may occur too fast to be reliably detected by the client. In contrast, a state such as RUNNING is more stable and program logic can reasonably take actions based on such states. In the discussion that follows, we will specifically differentiate between informational and actionable states.

Instance states and lifecycle

The following states are defined for a CloudBridge Instance.

State	Cate-	Description
	gory	
UN-	action-	Instance state is unknown. This means that the instance does not exist or CloudBridge
KNOWN	able	does not know how to map this state.
PENDING	informa-	Instance is pending
	tional	
CONFIG-	informa-	Instance is being reconfigured in some way and may not be usable.
URING	tional	
RUNNING	action-	Instance is running.
	able	
REBOOT-	informa-	Instance is rebooting.
ING	tional	
DELETED	action-	Instance is deleted. No further operations possible.
	able	
STOPPED	action-	Instance is stopped. Instance can be resumed.
	able	
ERROR	action-	Instance is in an error state. No further operations possible.
	able	

The lifecycle diagram is as follows:

Actionable states are shown in blue and informational states in cyan. Note that any state could potentially transition into an ERROR state. An Instance may initially be in an UNKNOWN state and transition into a PENDING state on launch. Similarly, it may transition into an UNKNOWN state after TERMINATION and the object no longer exists. More rarely, an instance may transition into an UNKNOWN state if CloudBridge does not know how to map the state reported by the cloud provider. Therefore, when writing a wait_for method, these potential transitions should be taken into account.

Volume states and lifecycle

The following states are defined for a CloudBridge Volume.

State	Cate-	Description
	gory	
UN-	action-	Volume state is unknown. This means that the volume does not exist or CloudBridge
KNOWN	able	does not know how to map this state.
CREAT-	informa-	Volume is pending
ING	tional	
CONFIG-	informa-	Volume is being reconfigured in some way and may not be usable.
URING	tional	
AVAIL-	action-	Volume is unattached and available for use.
ABLE	able	
IN_USE	informa-	Volume is attached to an instance and in-use.
	tional	
DELETED	action-	Volume has been deleted. No further operations possible.
	able	
ERROR	action-	Volume is in an error state. No further operations possible.
	able	

The lifecycle diagram is as follows:

Actionable states are shown in blue and informational states in cyan. Note that any state could potentially transition into an ERROR state. A Volume may initially be in an UNKNOWN state and transition into a CREATING state when created anew. Similarly, it may transition into an UNKNOWN state after DELETED and the object no longer exists. More rarely, a volume may transition into an UNKNOWN state if CloudBridge does not know how to map the state reported by the cloud provider. A Volume will typically transition through a CONFIGURING stage before going to an IN_USE stage and vice versa.

Snapshot states and lifecycle

The following states are defined for a CloudBridge Snapshot.

State	Cate-	Description
	gory	
UN-	action-	Snapshot state is unknown. This means that the snapshot does not exist or CloudBridge
KNOWN	able	does not know how to map this state.
PENDING	informa-	Snapshot is pending
	tional	
CONFIG-	informa-	Snapshot is being reconfigured in some way and may not be usable.
URING	tional	
AVAIL-	action-	Snapshot is ready.
ABLE	able	
ERROR	action-	Snapshot is in an error state. No further operations possible.
	able	

The lifecycle diagram is as follows:

Actionable states are shown in blue and informational states in cyan. Note that any state could potentially transition into an ERROR state. A Snapshot may initially be in an UNKNOWN state and transition into a PENDING state when created anew. Similarly, it may transition into an UNKNOWN state after deleted and the object no longer exists. More rarely, a snapshot may transition into an UNKNOWN state if CloudBridge does not know how to map the state reported by the cloud provider.

Image states and lifecycle

The following states are defined for a CloudBridge Image.

State	Cate-	Description
	gory	
UN-	action-	Image state is unknown. This means that the Image does not exist or CloudBridge does
KNOWN	able	not know how to map this state.
PEND-	informa-	Image is pending
ING	tional	
AVAIL-	action-	Image is ready.
ABLE	able	
ERROR	action-	Image is in an error state. No further operations possible.
	able	

The lifecycle diagram is as follows:

Actionable states are shown in blue and informational states in cyan. Note that any state could potentially transition into an ERROR state. An Image may initially be in an UNKNOWN state and transition into a PENDING state when created anew. Similarly, it may transition into an UNKNOWN state after deleted and the image no longer exists. More rarely, an Image may transition into an UNKNOWN state if CloudBridge does not know how to map the state reported by the cloud provider.

4.3.8 Paging and iteration

Overview

Most provider services have list() methods, and all list methods accept a limit parameter which specifies the maximum number of results to return. If a limit is not specified, CloudBridge will default to the global configuration variable *default result limit*, which can be modified through the provider config.

Since the returned result list may have more records available, CloudBridge will always return a ResultList object to assist with paging through additional results. A ResultList extends the standard list and the following example illustrates how to fetch additional records.

Example:

To ease development, CloudBridge also provides standard Python iterators that will page the results in for you automatically. Therefore, when you need to iterate through all available objects, the following shorthand is recommended:

Example:

```
# Iterate through all results
for instance in provider.compute.instances:
    print("Instance Data: {0}", instance)
```

4.3.9 Working with block storage

To add persistent storage to your cloud environments, you would use block storage devices, namely volumes and volume snapshots. A volume is attached to an instance and mounted as a file system for use by an application. A volume snapshot is a point-in-time snapshot of a volume that can be shared with other cloud users. Before a snapshot can be used, it is necessary to create a volume from it.

Volume storage

Operations, such as creating a new volume and listing the existing ones, are performed via the *VolumeService*. To start, let's create a 1GB volume.

```
vol = provider.storage.volumes.create('cloudbridge-vol', 1)
vol.wait_till_ready()
provider.storage.volumes.list()
```

Next, let's attach the volume to a running instance as device /dev/sdh:

```
vol.attach('i-dbf37022', '/dev/sdh') vol.refresh() vol.state # 'in-use'
```

Once attached, from within the instance, it is necessary to create a file system on the new volume and mount it.

Once you wish to detach a volume from an instance, it is necessary to unmount the file system from within the instance and detach it. The volume can then be attached to a different instance with all the data on it preserved.

```
vol.detach()
vol.refresh()
vol.state
# 'available'
```

Snapshot storage

A volume snapshot it created from an existing volume. Note that it may take a long time for a snapshot to become ready, particularly on AWS.

In order to make use of a snapshot, it is necessary to create a volume from it:

```
vol = provider.storage.volumes.create(
    'cloudbridge-snap-vol', 1, 'us-east-le', snapshot=snap)
```

The newly created volume behaves just like any other volume and can be attached to an instance for use.

4.3.10 Working with object storage

Object storage provides a simple way to store and retrieve large amounts of unstructured data over HTTP. Object Storage is also referred to as Blob (Binary Large OBject) Storage by Azure, and Simple Storage Service (S3) by Amazon.

Typically, you would store your objects within a Bucket, as it is known in AWS and GCP. A Bucket is also called a Container in OpenStack and Azure. In CloudBridge, we use the term Bucket.

Storing objects in a bucket

To store an object within a bucket, we need to first create a bucket or retrieve an existing bucket.

```
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.create('my-bucket')
bucket.objects.list()
```

Next, let's upload some data to this bucket. To efficiently upload a file, simple use the upload_from_file method.

```
obj = bucket.objects.create('my-data.txt')
obj.upload_from_file('/path/to/myfile.txt')
```

You can also use the upload() function to upload from an in memory stream. Note that, an object you create with objects.create() doesn't actually get persisted until you upload some content.

To locate and download this uploaded file again, you can do the following:

```
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.find(name='my-bucket')[0]
obj = bucket.objects.find(name='my-data.txt')[0]
print("Size: {0}, Modified: {1}".format(obj.size, obj.last_modified))
with open('/tmp/myfile.txt', 'wb') as f:
    obj.save_content(f)
```

Using tokens for authentication

Some providers may support using temporary credentials with a session token, in which case you will be able to access a particular bucket by using that session token.

```
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(
    ProviderList.AWS,
    {'aws_access_key': 'ACCESS_KEY',
    'aws_secret_key': 'SECRET_KEY',
    'aws_session_token': 'MY_SESSION_TOKEN'})
```

```
provider = CloudProviderFactory().create_provider(
    ProviderList.OPENSTACK,
    {'os_storage_url': 'SWIFT_STORAGE_URL',
         'os_auth_token': 'MY_SESSION_TOKEN'})
```

Once a provider is obtained, you can access the container as usual:

```
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.get(container)
obj = bucket.objects.create('my_object.txt')
obj.upload_from_file(source)
```

4.3.11 Resource Types and Dashboard Mapping

Cross-Platform Concepts

Given CloudBridge's goal to work uniformly across cloud providers, some compromises were necessary in order to bridge the many differences between providers' resources and features. Notably, in order to create a robust and conceptually consistent cross-cloud library, resources were separated into *labeled* and *unlabeled resources*, and were given three main properties: *ID*, *name*, and *label*.

The *ID* corresponds to a unique identifier that can be reliably used to reference a resource. Users can safely use an *ID* knowing that it will always point to the same resource. All resources have an *ID* property, thus making it the recommended property for reliably identifying a resource.

The *label* property, conversely, is a modifiable value that does not need to be unique. Unlike the *name* property, it is not used to identify a particular resource, but rather label a resource for easier distinction. Only labeled resources have the *label* property, and these resources require a *label* parameter be set at creation time.

The *name* property corresponds to an unchangeable and unique designation for a particular resource. This property is meant to be, in some ways, a more human-readable identifier. Thus, when no conceptually comparable property exists for a given resource in a particular provider, the *ID* is returned instead, as is the case for all OpenStack and some AWS resources. Given the discrepancy between providers, using the *name* property is not advisable for cross-cloud usage of the library. Labeled resources will use the label given at creation as a prefix to the set *name*, when this property is separable from the *ID* as is the case in Azure and some AWS resources. Finally, unlabeled resources will always support a *name*, and some unlabeled resources will require a *name* parameter at creation. Below is a list of all resources classified by whether they support a *label* property.

Labeled Resources	Unlabeled Resources
Instance	Key Pair
MachineImage	Bucket
Network	Bucket Object
Subnet	FloatingIP
Router	Internet Gateway
Volume	VMFirewall Rule
Snapshot	
VMFirewall	

Properties per Resource per Provider

For each provider, we documented the mapping of CloudBridge resources and properties to provider objects, as well as some useful dashboard navigation. These sections will thus present summary tables delineating the different types of CloudBridge resources, as well as present some design decisions made to preserve consistency across providers:

Detailed AWS Type and Resource Mappings

AWS Dashboard

AWS has a particular dashboard as resources are found within different services. The following table lists the dashboard location of each resource, and the below screenshot shows how the switch between the various services.

Instance	EC2
MachineImage (Private)	EC2
Volume	EC2
Snapshot	EC2
VMFirewall	EC2
FloatingIP	EC2
KeyPair	EC2
VMFirewallRule	EC2
Network	VPC
Subnet	VPC
Router	VPC
InternetGateway	VPC
Bucket	S2
BucketObject	S2

AWS - Labeled Resources

Labeled Resource	AWS Resource Type	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
AWSInstance	Instance	Instance ID	Instance ID	tag:Name
AWSMachineImage	AMI	AMI ID	AMI Name	tag:Name
AWSNetwork	VPC	VPC ID	VPC ID	tag:Name
AWSSubnet	Subnet	Subnet ID	Subnet ID	tag:Name
AWSRouter	Route Table	Route Table ID	Route Table ID	tag:Name
AWSVolume	Volume	Volume ID	Volume ID	tag:Name
AWSSnapshot	Snapshot	Snapshot ID	Snapshot ID	tag:Name
AWSVMFirewall	Security Group	Group ID	Group Name	tag:Name

The resources listed above are labeled, they thus have both the *name* and *label* properties in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *label* parameter at creation. For all labeled resources, the *label* property in AWS maps to the tag with *key:Name*. However, unlike in Azure where all resources have names, only some AWS resources have an unchangeable name by which to identify them. Thus, for most AWS resources, the *name* property maps to the ID, in order to preserve the concept of names being a unique identifier, even if they are not easily readable in this context. For resources that do support naming in AWS, the *name* will be generated from the *label* given at creation, consisting of up to 55 characters from the label, followed by a UUID. The label property can subsequently be changed, but the name property will be set at creation and remain unchanged. Finally, labeled resources support a *label* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services. The below screenshots will help map these properties to AWS objects in the web portal.

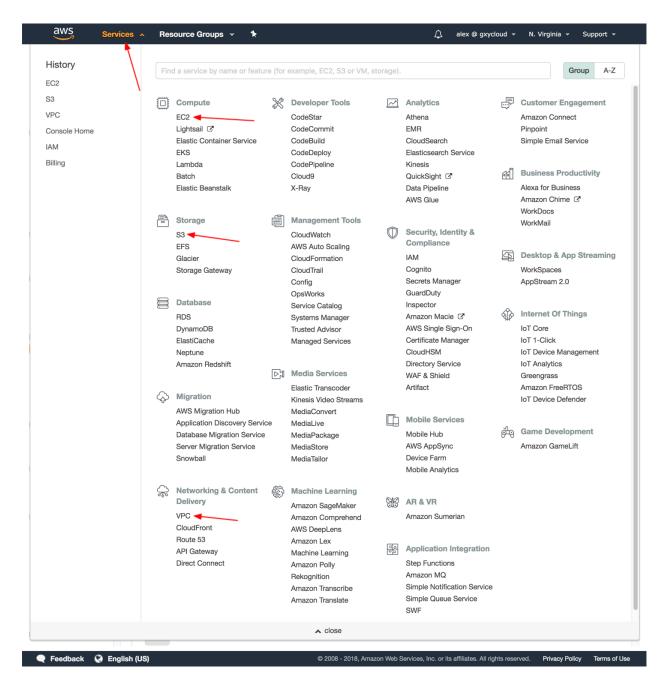


Fig. 15: Resources in AWS are separated into three dashboards depending on the type of service handling the resources

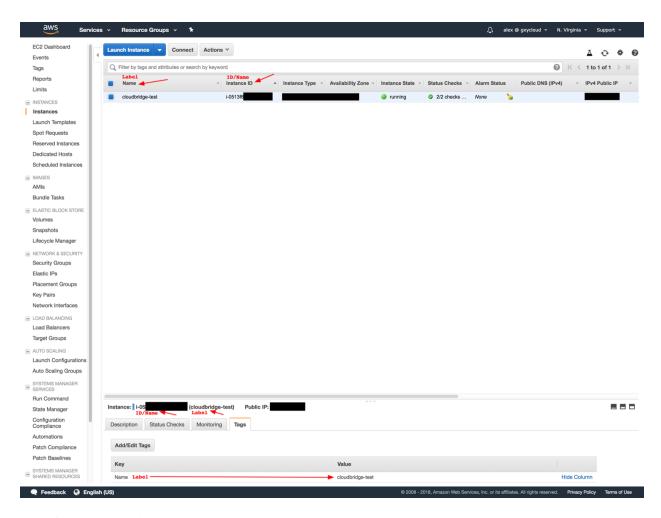


Fig. 16: The CloudBridge *name* and *ID* properties map to the unchangeable resource ID in AWS when the resource does not allow for an unchangeable name. The *label* property maps to the tag with key 'Name' for all resources in AWS. By default, this label will appear in the first column.

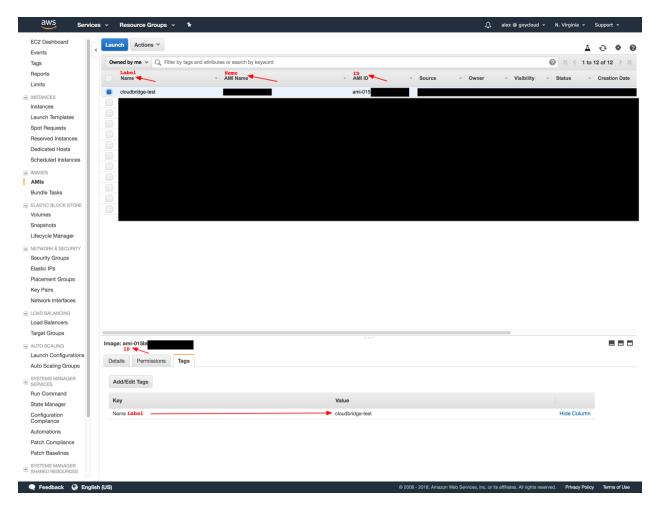


Fig. 17: When an AWS resource allows for an unchangeable name, the CloudBridge *ID* property maps to the Resource ID, while the *Name* property maps to the Resource Name. The *label* property maps to the tag with key 'Name' for all resources in AWS. By default, this label will appear in the first column.

AWS - Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re-	AWS Resource	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source	Туре			
AWSKeyPair	Key Pair	Name	Name	•
AWSBucket	Bucket	Name	Name	•
AWSBucketObject	Bucket Object	Key	Key	•

The resources listed above are unlabeled. They thus only have the *name* property in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *name* parameter at creation, which will directly map to the unchangeable *name* property. Additionally, for these resources, the *ID* property also maps to the *name* in AWS, as these resources don't have an *ID* in the traditional sense and can be located by name. Finally, unlabeled resources support a *name* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services.

AWS - Special Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re-	AWS Resource	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source	Туре			
AWSFloatingIP	Elastic IP	ID	[public_ip]	•
AWSInternetGateway	Internet Gateway	ID	tag:Name	•
AWSVMFirewallRule	Network Security Rules	ID	Generated: [direction]- [protocol]- [from_port]- [to_port]-[cidr]- [fw_id]	•

While these resources are similarly unlabeled, they do not follow the same general rules as the ones listed above. Firstly, they differ by the fact that they take neither a *name* nor a *label* parameter at creation. Moreover, each of them has other special properties.

The FloatingIP resource has a traditional resource ID, but instead of a traditional name, its *name* property maps to its Public IP. Moreover, the corresponding *find* method for Floating IPs can thus help find a resource by *Public IP Address*.

In terms of the gateway, given that gateways are not their own objects in other providers, we do not treat them like labeled resources in AWS although they could support labels. Thus, the internet gateway create method does not take a name parameter, and the *name* property is set automatically to a default value. Note that since this value is stored in the tag with key Name, the AWS dashboard does allow for its modification, although that is not encouraged as the default name is expected for the *get_or_create* method.

Finally, Firewall Rules in AWS differ from traditional unlabeled resources by the fact that they do not take a *name* parameter at creation, and the *name* property is automatically generated from the rule's properties, as shown above. These rules can be found within each Firewall (i.e. Security Group) in the AWS EC2 portal, and will not have any name in the AWS dashboard

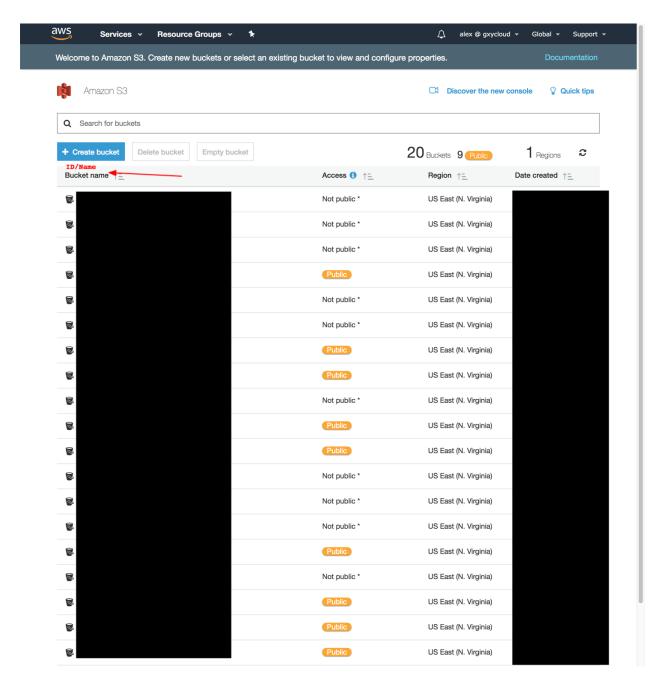


Fig. 18: Buckets can be found in the Amazon S3 portal. BucketObjects are contained within each Bucket.

Detailed Azure Type and Resource Mappings

Azure - Labeled Resources

Labeled CloudBridge Resource	Azure Re-	СВ	CB Name	CB Label	
	source Type	ID			
AzureInstance	Virtual Machine	ID	Name	tag:Label	
AzureMachineImage (Private) AzureMa-	Image Virtual-	ID	Name URN	tag:Label URN	
chineImage (Marketplace Image)	MachineImage	ID			
AzureNetwork	Virtual Network	ID	Name	tag:Label	
AzureSubnet	Subnet	ID	Network-	Net-	
			Name/SubnetNam	nework:tag:SubnetLabel_SubnetN	Name
AzureRouter	Route Table	ID	Name	tag:Label	
AzureVolume	Disk	ID	Name	tag:Label	
AzureSnapshot	Snapshot	ID	Name	tag:Label	
AzureVMFirewall	Network secu-	ID	Name	tag:Label	
	rity group				

The resources listed above are labeled, they thus have both the *name* and *label* properties in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *label* parameter at creation. The *label* will then be used to create the *name*, which will consist of up to 55 characters from the label, followed by a UUID. The label property can subsequently be changed, but the name property will remain unchanged, as it is part of the ID. Finally, labeled resources support a *label* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services. The below screenshots will help map these properties to Azure objects in the web portal. Additionally, although Azure Security Groups are not associated with a specific network, such an association is done in CloudBridge, due to its necessity in AWS. As such, the VMFirewall creation method requires a *network* parameter and the association is accomplished in OpenStack through a tag with the key *network* id.

Two labeled resources are exceptions to the general trends presented above, namely public images (i.e. Azure Marketplace Images) and subnets.

These public images can be found in the Azure Marketplace, and cannot be found on a user's dashboard. A Marketplace Image can be passed either by URN, or by public ID, and does not need to be linked to a user. While all Marketplace images will not be be listed by the find or list methods at the moment, a pre-set list of popular images is built into CloudBridge for that purpose. However, one can choose to list all Marketplace Images using the <code>list_marketplace_images</code> function in the azure client. Specifically, this can be done as follows:

```
# List all images
# Note that in September 2018, around 10 minutes of wall time were required
# to fetch the entire list
provider.azure_client.list_marketplace_images()
# List all images published by Canonical
provider.azure_client.list_marketplace_images(publisher='Canonical')
# List all Ubuntu images
provider.azure_client.list_marketplace_images(publisher='Canonical',
                                              offer='UbuntuServer')
# List all Ubuntu 16.04 images
provider.azure_client.list_marketplace_images(publisher='Canonical',
                                              offer='UbuntuServer',
                                              sku = '16.04.0 - LTS')
# The ID of the listed object can then be used to retrieve an instance
img = provider.compute.images.get
        ('/Subscriptions/{subscriptionID}/Providers/Microsoft.Compute/\
        Locations/{regionName}/Publishers/Canonical/ArtifactTypes/VMImage
        /Offers/UbuntuServer/Skus/16.04.0-LTS/Versions/16.04.201808140')
```

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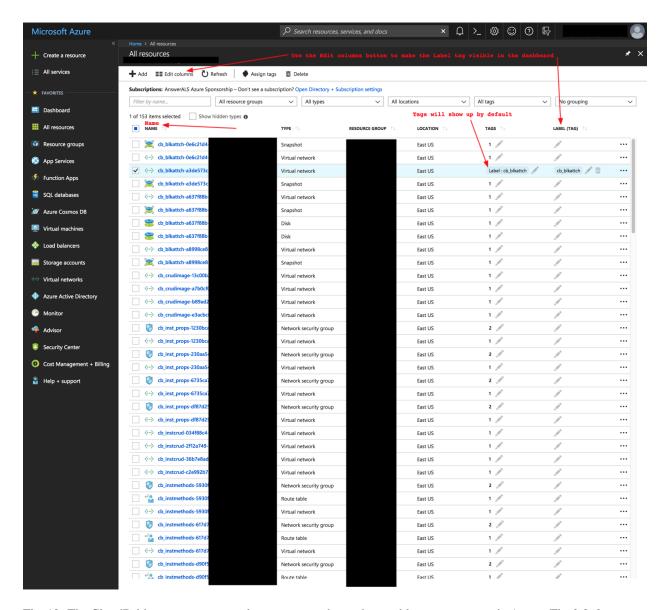


Fig. 19: The CloudBridge *name* property always maps to the unchangeable resource name in Azure. The *label* property maps to the tag with key 'Label' for most resources in Azure. By default, this label will appear in the tags column, but can also be made into its own column, using the feature pointed out in the screenshot above.

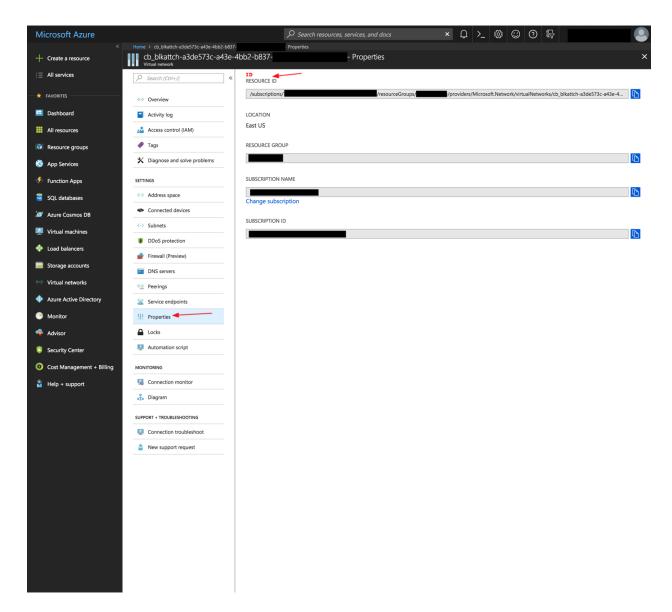


Fig. 20: The CloudBridge *ID* property most often maps to the Resource ID in Azure, which can be found under the properties tab within a resource. The above screenshot shows where to find a resource's ID in Azure's web portal.

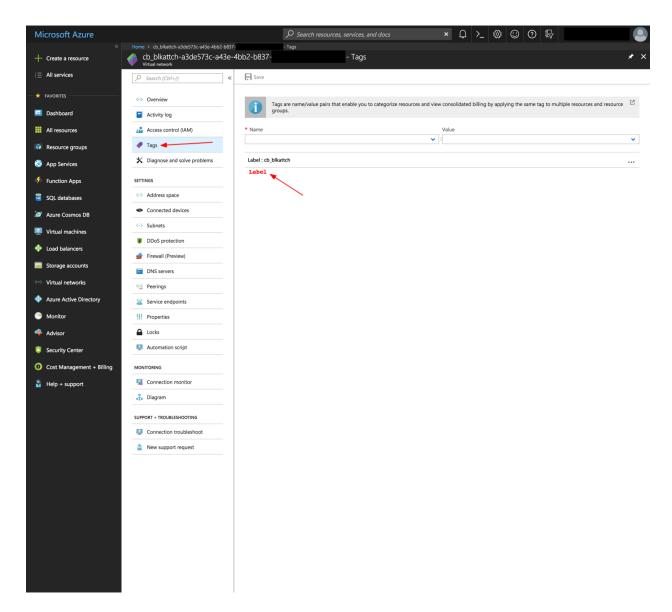


Fig. 21: The CloudBridge *label* property most often maps to the tag with key 'Label' in Azure, which can be found under the tags tab within a resource. The above screenshot shows where to find a resource's label in Azure's web portal.

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Given that these resources are not owned by the user, they can only be referenced and all setters will silently pass. CloudBridge properties *name* and *label* will map to the URN, while the *ID* will map to the public *ID*. It is also important to note that some of these resources are paid and required a plan to use, while others are free but likewise require accepting certain terms before being used. These plans and terms are passed and accepted silently by CloudBridge in order to keep the code cloud-independent. We therefore encourage using the marketplace website to view the images and plan details before using them in CloudBridge.

Additionally, Subnets are a particular resource in Azure because they are not simply found in the Resource Group like most resources, but are rather nested within a network. Moreover, Subnets do not support tags in Azure. However, they remain a labeled resource in CloudBridge, which was accomplished by creating Network tags holding Subnet labels in Azure. The below screenshots will show how to find Subnets and their labels in the Azure web portal.

Azure - Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re-	Azure Resource	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source	Туре			
AzureKeyPair	StorageAccount:Table	Name	Name	•
AzureBucket	StorageAccount:Blob	C Munin er	Name	•
AzureBucketObject	StorageAccount:Blob	С Минів еr:BlockBlob	Name	•

The resources listed above are unlabeled. They thus only have the *name* property in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *name* parameter at creation, which will directly map to the unchangeable *name* property. Additionally, for these resources, the *ID* property also maps to the *name* in Azure, as these resources don't have an *ID* in the traditional sense and can be located simply by name. Finally, unlabeled resources support a *name* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services.

Azure - Special Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re-	Azure Resource	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source	Туре			
AzureFloatingIP	Public IP Address	ID	[public_ip]	•
AzureInternetGateway	y None	cb-gateway- wrapper	cb-gateway- wrapper	•
AzureVMFirewallRul	e Network Security Rules	ID	name	•

While these resources are similarly unlabeled, they do not follow the same general rules as the ones listed above.

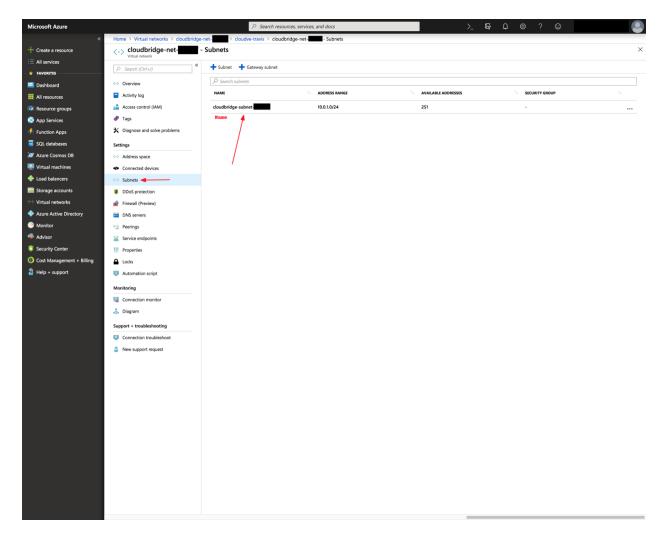


Fig. 22: The CloudBridge *name* property for Subnets corresponds to the unchangeable Resource Name in Azure. However, unlike other resources where the Azure Name maps directly to the *name* property alone, a Subnet's *name* property returns the Network's name and the Subnet's name, separated by a slash, thus having the format [network-Name]/[subnetName]. Subnets are additionally not found in the default resource list, but are rather nested within a Network, in the Subnets tab as shown above.

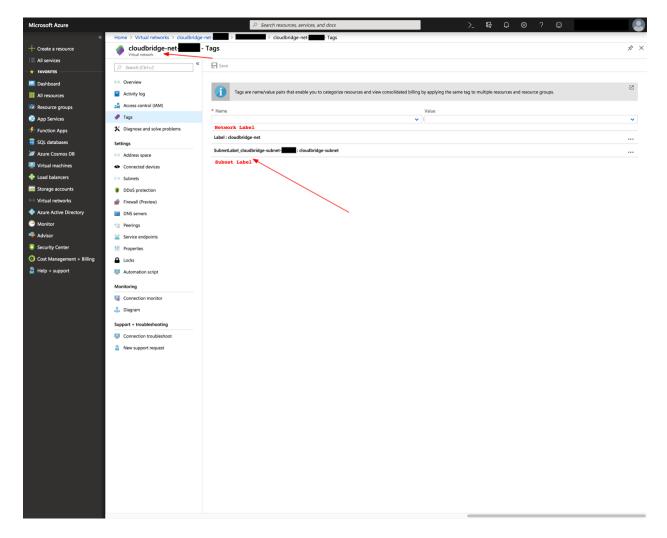


Fig. 23: The CloudBridge *label* property most often maps to the tag with key 'Label' in Azure, which can be found under the tags tab within a resource. However, given that Subnets can't hold tags themselves, we set their tags in the Network with which they are associated. The tag name 'Label' thus corresponds to the Network's label, while each contained Subnet will have a corresponding tag with the name 'SubnetLabel_[subnetName]'.

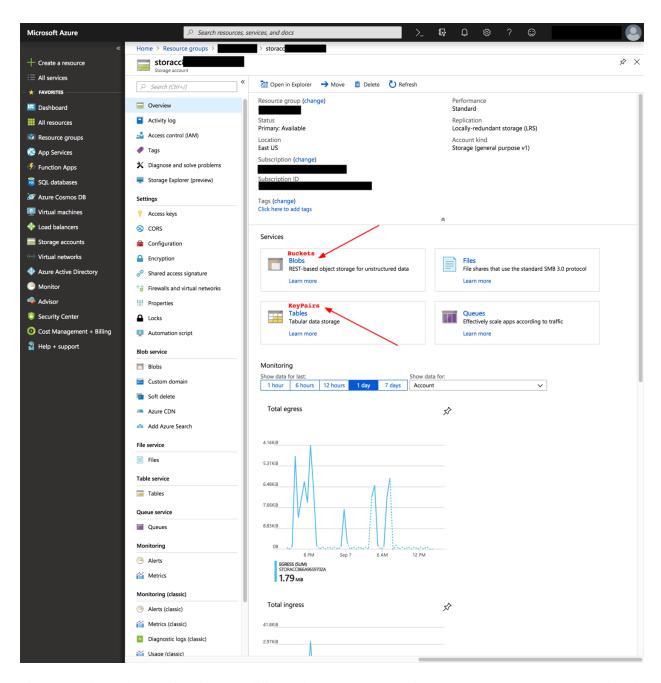


Fig. 24: Bucket and Key Pair objects are different than other resources in Azure, as they are not resources simply residing in a resource group, but are rather found in a storage account. As a result of this difference, these resources do not support labels, and cannot be seen on the default dashboard. In order to find these resources in the Azure web portal, one must head to the storage account containing them, and look in the *Blobs* and *Tables* services respectively for *Buckets* and *KeyPairs*.

Firstly, they differ by the fact that they take neither a *name* nor a *label* parameter at creation. Moreover, each of them has other special properties.

The FloatingIP resource has a traditional resource ID, but instead of a traditional name, its *name* property maps to its Public IP. Thus, the name seen in the Azure web portal will not map to the CloudBridge name, but will rather be auto-generated, while the Azure *IP Address* will map to CloudBridge name. Moreover, the corresponding *find* method for Floating IPs can thus help find a resource by *Public IP Address*, and the get method also accepts a 'Public IP' instead of an 'ID'.

In terms of the gateway, one of the major discrepancies in Azure is the non-existence of an InternetGateway. In fact, Azure resources are exposed with no need for an Internet gateway. However, in order to keep resources consistent across providers, the CloudBridge Gateway resource exists regardless of provider. For Azure, the gateway object created through CloudBridge will not appear on the dashboard, but will rather be a cached CloudBridge-level wrapper object. For a succinct comparison between AWS Gateways and Azure, see this answer.

Finally, Firewall Rules in Azure differ from traditional unlabeled resources by the fact that they do not take a *name* parameter at creation. These rules can be found within each Firewall (i.e. Security Group) in the Azure web portal, and will have an automatically generated *name* of the form 'cb-rule-[int]'.

Detailed OpenStack Type and Resource Mappings

OpenStack - Labeled Resources

Labeled Resource	OS Resource Type	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
OpenStackInstance	Instance	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackMachineImage	Image	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackNetwork	Network	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackSubnet	Subnet	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackRouter	Router	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackVolume	Volume	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackSnapshot	Snapshot	ID	ID	Name
OpenStackVMFirewall	Security Group	ID	ID	Name

The resources listed above are labeled, they thus have both the *name* and *label* properties in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *label* parameter at creation. For all labeled resources, the *label* property in OpenStack maps to the Name attribute. However, unlike in Azure or AWS, no resource has an unchangeable name by which to identify it in our OpenStack implementation. The *name* property will therefore map to the ID, preserving its role as an unchangeable identifier even though not easily readable in this context. Finally, labeled resources support a *label* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services. The below screenshots will help map these properties to OpenStack objects in the web portal. Additionally, although OpenStack Security Groups are not associated with a specific network, such an association is done in CloudBridge, due to its necessity in AWS. As such, the VMFirewall creation method requires a *network* parameter and the association is accomplished in OpenStack through the description, by appending the following string to the user-provided description (if any) at creation: "[CB-AUTO-associated-network-id: associated_net_id]"

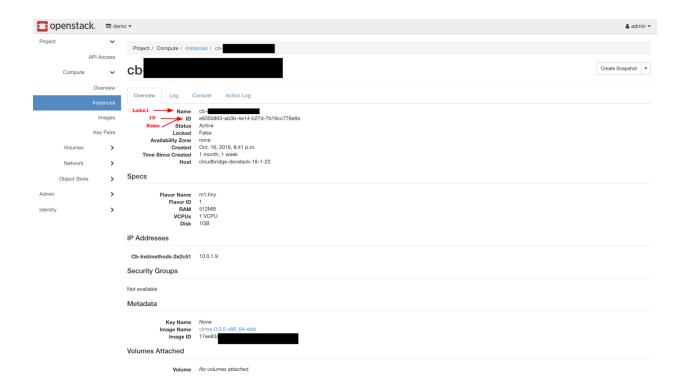


Fig. 25: The CloudBridge *name* and *ID* properties map to the unchangeable resource ID in OpenStack as resources do not allow for an unchangeable name. The *label* property maps to the 'Name' for all resources in OpenStack. By default, this label will appear in the first column.

OpenStack - Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re-	OS Resource	CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source	Туре			
OpenStackKeyPair	Key Pair	Name	Name	•
OpenStackBucket	Object Store Container	Name	Name	•
OpenStackBucketObj	e © bject	Name	Name	•

The resources listed above are unlabeled. They thus only have the *name* property in CloudBridge. These resources require a mandatory *name* parameter at creation, which will directly map to the unchangeable *name* property. Additionally, for these resources, the *ID* property also maps to the *name* in OpenStack, as these resources don't have an *ID* in the traditional sense and can be identified by name. Finally, unlabeled resources support a *name* parameter for the *find* method in their corresponding services.

OpenStack - Special Unlabeled Resources

Unlabeled Re- OS Resource	e CB ID	CB Name	CB Label
source Type			
OpenStackFloatingIP Floating IP	ID	[public_ip]	•
OpenStackInternetGateMaywork public	ID	'public'	•
OpenStackVMFirewallRedurity Grou	p ID	Generated: [direction]- [protocol]- [from_port]- [to_port]-[cidr]- [fw_id]	•

While these resources are similarly unlabeled, they do not follow the same general rules as the ones listed before. Firstly, they differ by the fact that they take neither a *name* nor a *label* parameter at creation. Moreover, each of them has other special properties.

The FloatingIP resource has a traditional resource ID, but instead of a traditional name, its *name* property maps to its Public IP. Moreover, the corresponding *find* method for Floating IPs can thus help find a resource by *Public IP Address*.

In terms of the gateway in OpenStack, it maps to the network named 'public.' Thus, the internet gateway create method does not take a name parameter, and the *name* property will be 'public'.

Finally, Firewall Rules in OpenStack differ from traditional unlabeled resources by the fact that they do not take a *name* parameter at creation, and the *name* property is automatically generated from the rule's properties, as shown above. These rules can be found within each Firewall (i.e. Security Group) in the web portal, and will not have any name in the OpenStack dashboard.

4.3.12 Common Setup Issues



Fig. 26: KeyPairs and other unlabeled resources in OpenStack have *name* that is unique and unmodifiable. The *ID* will thus map to the *name* property when no other *ID* exists for that OpenStack resource.

macOS Issues

• If you are getting an error message like so: Authentication with cloud provider failed: [SSL: CERTIFICATE_VERIFY_FAILED] certificate verify failed (_ssl.c:749) then this indicates that you are probably using a newer version of Python on macOS. Starting with Python 3.6, the Python installer includes its own version of OpenSSL and it no longer uses the system trusted certificate keychains.

Python 3.6 includes a script that can install a bundle of root certificates from certifi. To install this bundle execute the following:

```
cd /Applications/Python\ 3.6/
sudo ./Install\ Certificates.command
```

For more information see this StackOverflow answer and the Python 3.6 Release Notes.

4.4 Contributor Guide

This section has information on how to contribute to CloudBridge development, and a walkthrough of the process of getting started on developing a new CloudBridge Provider.

4.4.1 Design Goals

- 1. Create a cloud abstraction layer which minimises or eliminates the need for cloud specific special casing (i.e., Not require clients to write if EC2 do x else if OPENSTACK do y.)
- 2. Have a suite of conformance tests which are comprehensive enough that goal 1 can be achieved. This would also mean that clients need not manually test against each provider to make sure their application is compatible.
- 3. Opt for a minimum set of features that a cloud provider will support, instead of a lowest common denominator approach. This means that reasonably mature clouds like Amazon and OpenStack are used as the benchmark against which functionality & features are determined. Therefore, there is a definite expectation that the cloud infrastructure will support a compute service with support for images and snapshots and various machine sizes. The cloud infrastructure will very likely support block storage, although this is currently optional. It may optionally support object storage.
- 4. Make the CloudBridge layer as thin as possible without compromising goal 1. By wrapping the cloud provider's native SDK and doing the minimal work necessary to adapt the interface, we can achieve greater development speed and reliability since the native provider SDK is most likely to have both properties.

4.4.2 Design decisions

This document captures outcomes and, in some cases, the through process behind some of the design decisions that took place while architecting CloudBridge. It is intended as a reference.

Require zone parameter when creating a default subnet

Placement zone is required because it is an explicit application decision, even though ideally *default* would not require input. Before requiring it, the implementations would create a subnet in each availability zone and return the first one in the list. This could potentially return different values over time. Another factor influencing the decision was the example of creating a volume followed by creating an instance with

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presumably the two needing to be in the same zone. By requiring the zone across the board, it is less likely to lead to a mismatch. (Related to 63.)

Resource identification, naming, and labeling

While it would be reasonable to expect that complex constructs like networking would be the most difficult to abstract away uniformly across providers, in retrospect, simple naming of objects has arguably been the most complex and convoluted to map consistently. CloudBridge has been through several iterations of naming and labeling, before finally settling on the current design. This section captures that history and design rationale.

First iteration In the early days, when CloudBridge supported only AWS and OpenStack, there were only two concepts, *id* and *name*. The *id* was straightforward enough, as it usually mapped to a unique identifier, auto-generated by the provider. The *name* generally mapped to a tag in the case of AWS, and a *name* field in the case of OpenStack. However, even then, there were inconsistencies within individual providers. For example, while AWS generally supported tags, it had a dedicated name field for machine images called ami-name. Furthermore, this name field could only be set at image creation time, and could not be changed thereafter. Similarly, AWS does not allow VM firewall (i.e., security group) names to be changed. Nevertheless, CloudBridge continued to use id and name, with the name being changeable for some resources, and read-only in others.

As CloudBridge evolved and support was added for Azure and GCP, things only became more complex. Some providers (e.g. Azure and GCP) used a user-provided value instead of an auto-generated value as an *id*, which would also be displayed in their respective dashboards as *Name*. This meant that they were treating their servers as individually named pets, instead of adopting the cattle model, should one be tempted to use that macabre pets vs cattle analogy. These user-provided names could not be changed after a resource had been created. Instead, these providers seemed to be gravitating toward the use of tags (or labels) to support arbitrary naming and name changes. Yet, not all resources support tags so CloudBridge could not rely solely on tags. Further, tags do not need to be unique across multiple resources, while names do (at least for some resources, such as vmfirewalls within a private network). Overall, consistency was challenging to achieve with resource naming. Therefore, it was decided that CloudBridge would continue to support resource renaming to the best extent possible and balance between the use of the resource name property and resource tags. However, because of the inconsistency in rename functionality across providers, using the rename capabilities within CloudBridge would lead to cloud-dependent code (Related to 131.) and therefore, the only option was to continue to stick a caveat emptor to resource renaming.

Second iteration However, it soon became apparent that this overloaded terminology was continuing to cause confusion. The *id* property in CloudBridge mapped to the unchangeable *name* property in Azure and GCP, and the *name* property in cloudbridge sometimes mapped to a *tag* in certain providers, and a *name* in other providers and they were sometimes read-only, sometimes writable. In an attempt to disambiguate these concepts, it was then decided that perhaps three concepts were needed - *id*, *display_id*, and *label*. The *id* would continue to refer to a unique identifier for a resource and be mapped accordingly to the underlying provider. The *display_id* would be a more user-friendly version of an id, suitable for display to an end-user and be unchangeable, but on rare occasions, not unique. For example, AWS ami-name was a *display_id* while the ami-id was an *id*. Similarly, an Azure resource name mapped to the *display_id*, since it was an unchangeable, user-friendly identifier. Finally, label was a changeable, user-assignable value that would be mapped often to a tag on the resource, or the name of the resource, should the name be changeable. This clearly disambiguated between unique identifiers, user-assignable values and read-only, user-friendly values. At object creation, all services would accept a label as an optional parameter. If provided, the *display_id* would sometimes be derived from the label by appending a unid to the label, depending on the provider. At other times, it would simply map to an id.

Third iteration It soon became apparent that some resources like keypairs could not have a label at all, yet needed to be named during object creation. However, we could not use *display_id* for this purpose

became the display_id, by definition, is unchangeable. It could not be called *label* because the label, in contrast, was changeable. Therefore, it seemed like we were back to calling it *name* instead, introducing yet a fourth term. To simplify this, it was then decided that *display_id* and *name* would be collapsed together into one term and be called *name* instead. All resources would have an *id* and a *name*, and resources that support it would have a *label*. To make things even simpler and consistent, it was also decided that label would be made mandatory for all resources during object creation, and follow the same restrictions as name, which is to have a 3 character minimum. (This was to deal with an exception in OpenStack, where the label mapped to instance name, but could not be empty. Therefore, by making all labels mandatory and adhere to minimum length restrictions, we could make the overall conventions uniform across all resources and therefore easier to remember and enforce.)

TL;DR CloudBridge has three concepts when it comes to naming and identifying objects:

- *id* is a unique identifier for an object, always auto-generated;
- name is a read-only, user-friendly value which is suitable for display to the end-user;
- label is a user-assignable value that can be changed.

The *name* is often derived from the *label* but not always. Not all resources support *labels*. Some only accept *names*, which can be specified at object creation time (e.g. keypairs). Both *names* and *labels* adhere to the same restrictions - a minimum length of 3 which should be alphanumeric characters or dashes only. Names or labels should not begin or end with a dash, or have consecutive dashes.

Make providers single zone

Allowing each operation to specify its own zone led to various complications, such as the one detailed above. Ultimately, it led to an impasse with GCP, which tended to require the zone for almost every operation and some of our methods were not geared to do so. Therefore, by making the provider zone specific, we have removed a considerable amount of complexity from both the code, with no significant impact on usability, since operations generally tend to be confined to the same zone. Multi-zone operations now require multiple cloud provider instances.

4.4.3 Running tests

In the spirit of the library's *Design Goals*, the aim is to have thorough tests for the entire library. This page explains the testing philosophy and shows how to run the tests locally.

Testing philosophy

Our testing goals are to:

- 1. Write one set of tests that all provider implementations must pass.
- 2. Make that set of tests a 'conformance' test suite, which validates that each implementation correctly implements the CloudBridge specification.
- 3. Make the test suite comprehensive enough that a provider which passes all the tests can be used safely by an application with no additional testing. In other words, the CloudBridge specification and accompanying test suite must be comprehensive enough that no provider specific workarounds, code or testing is required.
- 4. For development, mock providers may be used to speed up the feedback cycle, but providers must also pass the full suite of tests when run against actual cloud infrastructure to ensure that we are not testing against an idealised or imagined environment.
- 5. Aim for 100% code coverage.

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Running tests

To run the test suite locally:

- 1. Install tox with pip install tox
- 2. Export all environment variables listed in tox.ini (under passenv)
- 3. Run tox command

This will run all the tests for all the environments defined in file tox.ini.

Specific environment and infrastructure

If you'd like to run the tests on a specific environment only, say Python 2.7, against a specific infrastructure, say aws, use a command like this: tox -e py27-aws. The available provider names are listed in the ProviderList class (e.g., aws or openstack).

Specific test cases

```
You can run a specific test case, as follows: tox -- tests/test_image_service.py:CloudImageServiceTestCase.test_create_and_list_imag
```

It can also be restricted to a particular environment as follows: tox -e "py27-aws" -- tests/test_cloud_factory.py:CloudFactoryTestCase

See nosetest documentation for other parameters that can be passed in.

Using unittest directly

You can also run the tests against your active virtual environment directly with python setup.py test. You will need to set the CB_TEST_PROVIDER environment variable prior to running the tests, or they will default to CB_TEST_PROVIDER=aws.

You can also run a specific test case, as follows: python setup.py test -s tests. test_cloud_factory.CloudFactoryTestCase

Using a mock provider

Note that running the tests may create various cloud resources, for which you may incur costs. For the AWS cloud, there is also a mock provider (moto) that will simulate AWS resources. You can use CB_TEST_PROVIDER=mock to run tests against the mock provider only, which will provide faster feedback times.

Alternatively you can run the mock tests through tox. tox -e "py27-mock"

4.4.4 Provider Development Walkthrough

This guide will walk you through the basic process of developing a new provider for CloudBridge.

1. We start off by creating a new folder for the provider within the cloudbridge/cloud/providers folder. In this case: gcp. Further, install the native cloud provider Python library, here pip install google-api-python-client==1.4.2 and a couple of its requirements oauth2client==1.5.2 and pycrypto==2.6.1.

2. Add a provider.py file. This file will contain the main implementation of the cloud provider and will be the entry point that CloudBridge uses for all provider related services. You will need to subclass BaseCloudProvider and add a class variable named PROVIDER ID.

```
from cloudbridge.base import BaseCloudProvider

class GCPCloudProvider(BaseCloudProvider):

    PROVIDER_ID = 'gcp'

    def __init__(self, config):
        super(GCPCloudProvider, self).__init__(config)
```

3. Add an __init__.py to the cloudbridge/cloud/providers/gcp folder and export the provider.

```
from .provider import GCPCloudProvider # noqa
```

Tip: You can view the code so far here: commit 1

- 4. Next, we need to register the provider with the factory. This only requires that you register the provider's ID in the ProviderList. Add GCP to the ProviderList class in cloudbridge/cloud/factory.py.
 - 5. Run the test suite. We will get the tests passing on py27 first.

```
export CB_TEST_PROVIDER=gcp
tox -e py27
```

You should see the tests fail with the following message:

```
"TypeError: Can't instantiate abstract class GCPCloudProvider with abstract methods storage, compute, security, network."
```

6. Therefore, our next step is to implement these methods. We can start off by implementing these methods in provider.py and raising a NotImplementedError.

```
@property
def compute(self):
    raise NotImplementedError(
        "GCPCloudProvider does not implement this service")
@property
def network(self):
    raise NotImplementedError(
        "GCPCloudProvider does not implement this service")
@property
def security(self):
    raise NotImplementedError(
        "GCPCloudProvider does not implement this service")
@property
def storage(self):
    raise NotImplementedError(
        "GCPCloudProvider does not implement this service")
```

Running the tests now will complain as much. We will next implement each Service in turn.

7. We will start with the compute service. Add a services.py file.

```
from cloudbridge.base.services import BaseSecurityService

class GCPSecurityService(BaseSecurityService):

    def __init__(self, provider):
        super(GCPSecurityService, self).__init__(provider)
```

8. We can now return this new service from the security property in provider.py as follows:

```
def __init__(self, config):
    super(GCPCloudProvider, self).__init__(config)
    self._security = GCPSecurityService(self)

@property
def security(self):
    return self._security
```

Tip: You can view the code so far here: commit 2

9. Run the tests, and the following message will cause all security service tests to fail:

```
"TypeError: Can't instantiate abstract class GCPSecurityService with abstract methods key_pairs, security_groups."
```

The Abstract Base Classes are doing their job and flagging all methods that need to be implemented.

10. Since the security service simply provides organisational structure, and is a container for the key_pairs and security_groups services, we must next implement these services.

```
from cloudbridge.base.services import BaseKeyPairService
from cloudbridge.base.services import BaseSecurityGroupService
from cloudbridge.base.services import BaseSecurityService
class GCPSecurityService(BaseSecurityService):
    def __init__(self, provider):
        super(GCPSecurityService, self).__init__(provider)
        # Initialize provider services
        self._key_pairs = GCPKeyPairService(provider)
        self._security_groups = GCPSecurityGroupService(provider)
    @property
    def key_pairs(self):
       return self._key_pairs
   @property
   def security_groups(self):
        return self._security_groups
class GCPKeyPairService(BaseKeyPairService):
```

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```
def __init__(self, provider):
        super(GCPKeyPairService, self).__init__(provider)

class GCPSecurityGroupService(BaseSecurityGroupService):

def __init__(self, provider):
        super(GCPSecurityGroupService, self).__init__(provider)
```

Tip: You can view the code so far here: commit 3

Once again, running the tests will complain of missing methods:

```
"TypeError: Can't instantiate abstract class GCPKeyPairService with abstract methods create, find, get, list."
```

11. Keep implementing the methods till the security service works, and the tests pass.

Note: We start off by implementing the list keypairs method. Therefore, to obtain the keypair, we need to have a connection to the cloud provider. For this, we need to install the Google sdk, and thereafter, to obtain the desired connection via the sdk. While the design and structure of that connection is up to the implementor, a general design we have followed is to have the cloud connection globally available within the provider.

To add the sdk, we edit CloudBridge's main setup.py and list the dependencies.

```
gcp_reqs = ['google-api-python-client==1.4.2']
full_reqs = base_reqs + aws_reqs + openstack_reqs + gcp_reqs
```

We will also register the provider in cloudbridge/cloud/factory.py's provider list.

```
class ProviderList(object):
   AWS = 'aws'
   OPENSTACK = 'openstack'
   ...
   GCP = 'gcp'
```

Tip: You can view the code so far here: commit 4

12. Thereafter, we create the actual connection through the sdk. In the case of GCP, we need a Compute API client object. We will make this connection available as a public property named gcp_compute in the provider. We will then lazily initialize this connection.

A full implementation of the KeyPair service can now be made in a provider specific manner.

Tip: You can view the code so far here: commit 5

4.4.5 Release Process

- 1. Make sure all tests pass.
- 2. Increment version number in cloudbridge/__init__.py as per semver rules.
- 3. Freeze all library dependencies in setup.py and commit. The version numbers can be a range with the upper limit being the latest known working version, and the lowest being the last known working version.

In general, our strategy is to make provider sdk libraries fixed within relatively known compatibility ranges, so that we reduce the chances of breakage. If someone uses CloudBridge, presumably, they do not use the SDKs directly. For all other libraries, especially, general purpose libraries (e.g. six), our strategy is to make compatibility as broad and unrestricted as possible.

- 4. Add release notes to CHANGELOG.rst. Also add last commit hash to changelog. List of commits can be obtained using git shortlog <last release hash>..HEAD
- 5. Release to PyPi. (make sure you have run *pip install wheel twine*) First, test release with PyPI staging server as described in: https://hynek.me/articles/sharing-your-labor-of-love-pypi-quick-and-dirty/

Once tested, run:

```
# remove stale files or wheel might package them
rm -r build dist
python setup.py sdist bdist_wheel
twine upload -r pypi dist/cloudbridge-1.0.0*
```

6. Tag release and make a GitHub release.

```
git tag -a v2.0.0 -m "Release 2.0.0" git push git push --tags
```

7. Increment version number in cloudbridge/__init__.py to version-dev to indicate the development cycle, commit, and push the changes.

4.5 API reference

This section includes the API documentation for the reference interface.

4.5.1 Providers

CloudProvider

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.provider.CloudProvider(config)
    Base interface for a cloud provider
    __init__(config)
    Create a new provider instance given a dictionary of configuration attributes.
```

Parameters config (dict) – A dictionary object containing provider initialization values. Alternatively, this can be an iterable of key/value pairs (as tuples or other iterables of length two). See specific provider implementation for the required fields.

```
Return type CloudProvider
Returns a concrete provider instance
```

authenticate()

Checks whether a provider can be successfully authenticated with the configured settings. Clients are *not* required to call this method prior to accessing provider services, as most cloud connections are initialized lazily. The authenticate() method will return True if cloudbridge can establish a successful connection to the provider. It will raise an exception with the appropriate error details otherwise.

Example:

```
try:
    if provider.authenticate():
        print("Provider connection successful")
except ProviderConnectionException as e:
    print("Could not authenticate with provider: %s" % (e, ))
```

Return type bool

Returns True if authentication is successful.

```
clone (zone=None)
```

Create a clone of this provider. An optional *zone* parameter can be used to clone the provider to use a different zone. As each cloudbridge provider is restricted to a particular zone, this is useful when performing cross-zonal operations.

Example:

```
# list instances in all availability zones
all_instances = []
for zone in provider.compute.regions.current.zones:
    new_provider = provider.clone(zone=zone)
    all_instances.append(list(new_provider.compute.instances))
print(all_instances)
```

Parameters zone (PlacementZone object) – Changes the provider's zone to the requested AvailabilityZone

Return type CloudProvider

Returns A clone of the CloudProvider, with zone changed to the requested zone.

compute

Provides access to all compute related services in this provider.

Example:

```
regions = provider.compute.regions.list()
vm_types = provider.compute.vm_types.list()
instances = provider.compute.instances.list()
images = provider.compute.images.list()

# Alternatively
for instance in provider.compute.instances:
    print(instance.name)
```

Return type ComputeService

Returns a ComputeService object

config

Returns the config object associated with this provider. This object is a subclass of dict and will contain the properties provided at initialization time, grouped under *cloud_properties* and *credentials* keys. In addition, it also contains extra provider-wide properties such as the default result limit for *list()* queries.

Example:

```
config = { 'aws_access_key' : '<my_key>' }
provider = factory.create_provider(ProviderList.AWS, config)
print(provider.config['credentials'].get('aws_access_key'))
print(provider.config.default_result_limit))
# change provider result limit
provider.config.default_result_limit = 100
```

Return type Configuration

Returns An object of class Configuration, which contains the values used to initialize the provider, as well as other global configuration properties.

dns

Provides access to all DNS related services.

Example:

```
if provider.has_service(CloudServiceType.DNS):
   print("Provider supports DNS services")
   dns_zones = provider.dns.host_zones.list()
   print(dns_zones)
```

Return type DnsService

Returns a DNS service object

has_service (service_type)

Checks whether this provider supports a given service.

Example:

```
if provider.has_service(CloudServiceType.BUCKET):
    print("Provider supports object store services")
    provider.storage.buckets.list()
```

Parameters service_type (CloudServiceType) - Type of service to check support for.

Return type bool

Returns True if the service type is supported.

middleware

Returns the middleware manager associated with this provider. The middleware manager can be used to add or remove middleware from cloudbridge. Refer to pyeventsystem documentation for more information on how the middleware manager works.

Return type MiddlewareManager

Returns An object of class MiddlewareManager, which can be used to

add or remove middleware from cloudbridge.

networking

Provide access to all network related services in this provider.

Example:

```
networks = provider.networking.networks.list()
subnets = provider.networking.subnets.list()
routers = provider.networking.routers.list()
```

Return type NetworkingService

Returns a NetworkingService object

region_name

Returns the region that this provider is connected to. All provider operations will take place within this region.

Return type str

Returns a zone id

security

Provides access to key pair management and firewall control

Example:

```
keypairs = provider.security.keypairs.list()
vm_firewalls = provider.security.vm_firewalls.list()
```

Return type object of SecurityService

Returns a SecurityService object

storage

Provides access to storage related services in this provider. This includes the volume, snapshot and bucket services,

Example:

```
volumes = provider.storage.volumes.list()
snapshots = provider.storage.snapshots.list()
if provider.has_service(CloudServiceType.BUCKET):
    print("Provider supports object store services")
    print(provider.storage.buckets.list())
```

Return type StorageService

Returns a StorageService object

zone_name

Returns the placement zone that this provider is connected to. All provider operations will take place within this zone. Placement zone must be within the provider default region.

Return type str

Returns a zone id

4.5.2 Services

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- VMTypeService
- RegionService
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- DnsZoneService
- DnsRecordService

CloudService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.CloudService

Base interface for any service supported by a provider. This interface has a provider property that can be used to access the provider associated with this service.

provider

Returns the provider instance associated with this service.

Return type CloudProvider

Returns a CloudProvider object

ComputeService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.ComputeService

The compute service interface is a collection of services that provides access to the underlying compute related services in a provider. For example, the compute.instances service can be used to launch a new instance, and the compute.images service can be used to list available machine images.

images

Provides access to all Image related services in this provider. (e.g. Glance in OpenStack)

Example:

```
# print all images
for image in provider.compute.images:
    print(image.id, image.name, image.label)

# print only first 50 images
for image in provider.compute.images.list(limit=50):
    print(image.id, image.name, image.label)

# find image by name
image = provider.compute.images.find(name='Ubuntu 16.04')[0]
print(image.id, image.name, image.label)
```

Return type ImageService

Returns an ImageService object

instances

Provides access to all Instance related services in this provider.

Example:

```
# launch a new instance
image = provider.compute.images.find(name='Ubuntu 16.04')[0]
size = provider.compute.vm_types.find(name='m1.small')[0]
instance = provider.compute.instances.create('Hello', image, size)
print(instance.id, instance.label)
```

Return type InstanceService

Returns an InstanceService object

regions

Provides access to all Region related services in this provider.

Example:

```
for region in provider.compute.regions:
   print("Region: ", region.name)
   for zone in region.zones:
      print("\tZone: ", zone.name)
```

Return type RegionService

Returns a RegionService object

vm types

Provides access to all VM type related services in this provider.

Example:

```
# list all VM sizes
for vm_type in provider.compute.vm_types:
    print(vm_type.id, vm_type.name)

# find a specific size by name
vm_type = provider.compute.vm_types.find(name='m1.small')[0]
print(vm_type.vcpus)
```

Return type VMTypeService

Returns an VMTypeService object

InstanceService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.InstanceService

Provides access to instances in a provider, including creating, listing and deleting instances.

Creates a new virtual machine instance.

Parameters

- label (str) The label of the virtual machine instance. The instance name will be derived from this label.
- image (MachineImage or str) The MachineImage object or id to boot the virtual machine with
- vm_type (VMType or str) The VMType or name, specifying the size of the instance to boot into
- **subnet** (Subnet or str) The subnet object or a subnet string ID with which the instance should be associated. The subnet is a mandatory parameter, and must be provided when launching an instance.

Note: Older clouds (with classic networking), may not have proper subnet support and are not guaranteed to work. Some providers (e.g. OpenStack) support a null value but the behaviour is implementation specific.

- **key_pair** (KeyPair or str) The KeyPair object or its id, to set for the instance.
- **vm_firewalls** (A list of VMFirewall objects or a list of str object IDs) A list of VMFirewall objects or a list of VMFirewall IDs, which should be assigned to this instance.

The VM firewalls must be associated with the same network as the supplied subnet. Use network.vm_firewalls to retrieve a list of firewalls belonging to a network.

- user_data (str) An extra userdata object which is compatible with the provider.
- launch_config (LaunchConfig object) A LaunchConfig object which describes advanced launch configuration options for an instance. Currently, this includes only block_device_mappings. To construct a launch configuration object, call provider.compute.instances.create_launch_config()

```
Return type object of Instance
```

Returns an instance of Instance class

```
create_launch_config()
```

Creates a LaunchConfig object which can be used to set additional options when launching an instance, such as block device mappings and network interfaces.

```
Return type object of LaunchConfig
```

Returns an instance of a LaunchConfig class

```
find(**kwargs)
```

Searches for an instance by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: name, label

Parameters

- name (str) The name to search for
- label (str) The label to search for

Return type List of object of Instance

Returns A list of Instance objects matching the supplied attributes.

```
get (instance id)
```

Returns an instance given its id. Returns None if the object does not exist.

```
Return type object of Instance
```

Returns an Instance object

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List available instances.

The returned results can be limited with limit and marker. If not specified, the limit defaults to a global default. See list() for more information on how to page through returned results.

example:

```
# List instances
instlist = provider.compute.instances.list()
for instance in instlist:
    print("Instance Data: {0}", instance)
```

Parameters

- limit (int) The maximum number of objects to return. Note that the maximum is not guaranteed to be honoured, and a lower maximum may be enforced depending on the provider. In such a case, the returned ResultList's is_truncated property can be used to determine whether more records are available.
- marker (str) The marker is an opaque identifier used to assist in paging through very long lists of objects. It is returned on each invocation of the list method.

Return type ResultList of Instance

Returns A ResultList object containing a list of Instances

VolumeService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.VolumeService

Base interface for a Volume Service.

create (label, size, snapshot=None, description=None)

Creates a new volume.

Parameters

- label (str) The label for the volume.
- **size** (int) The size of the volume (in GB).
- **snapshot** (str or *Snapshot* object) An optional reference to a snapshot from which this volume should be created.
- **description** (str) An optional description that may be supported by some providers. Providers that do not support this property will return None.

Return type object of Volume

Returns a newly created Volume object.

delete(volume)

Delete an existing volume.

Parameters volume (str or Volume) - The object or ID of the volume to be deleted.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a volume by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: label

Return type object of Volume

Returns a Volume object or None if not found.

get (volume_id)

Returns a volume given its id.

Return type object of Volume

Returns a Volume object or None if the volume does not exist.

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all volumes.

Return type list of Volume

Returns a list of Volume objects.

SnapshotService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.SnapshotService

Base interface for a Snapshot Service.

create (label, volume, description=None)

Creates a new snapshot off a volume.

Parameters

- label (str) The label for the snapshot.
- volume (str or Volume) The volume to create a snapshot of.

• **description** (str) – An optional description that may be supported by some providers. Providers that do not support this property will return None.

Return type object of Snapshot

Returns a newly created Snapshot object.

delete (snapshot)

Delete an existing snapshot.

Parameters snapshot (str or Snapshot) - The object or ID of the snapshot to be deleted.

```
find(**kwargs)
```

Searches for a snapshot by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: label

Return type list of Snapshot

Returns a Snapshot object or an empty list if none found.

get (snapshot_id)

Returns a snapshot given its id.

Return type object of Snapshot

Returns a Snapshot object or None if the snapshot does not exist.

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all snapshots.

Return type list of Snapshot

Returns a list of Snapshot objects.

StorageService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.StorageService

The Storage Service interface provides access to block device services, such as volume and snapshot services, as well as object store services, such as buckets, in the provider.

buckets

Provides access to object storage services in this provider.

Example:

```
# print all buckets
for bucket in provider.storage.buckets:
    print(bucket.id, bucket.name)

# find bucket by name
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.find(name='my_bucket')[0]
print(bucket.id, bucket.name)
```

Return type BucketService

Returns a BucketService object

snapshots

Provides access to volume snapshots for this provider.

Example:

```
# print all snapshots
for snap in provider.storage.snapshots:
    print(snap.id, snap.name, snap.label)

# find snapshot by label
snap = provider.storage.snapshots.find(label='my_snap')[0]
print(snap.id, snap.name, snap.label)
```

Return type SnapshotService

Returns a SnapshotService object

volumes

Provides access to volumes (i.e., block storage) for this provider.

Example:

```
# print all volumes
for vol in provider.storage.volumes:
    print(vol.id, vol.name, vol.label)

# find volume by label
vol = provider.storage.volumes.find(label='my_vol')[0]
print(vol.id, vol.name, vol.label)
```

Return type VolumeService

Returns a VolumeService object

ImageService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.ImageService
    Base interface for an Image Service
    find (**kwargs)
        Searches for an image by a given list of attributes
        Supported attributes: name, label
            Return type object of Image
            Returns an Image instance

get (image_id)
            Returns an Image given its id. Returns None if the Image does not exist.

            Return type object of Image
            Returns an Image instance

list (filter_by_owner=True, limit=None, marker=None)
            List all images.
```

Parameters filter_by_owner (bool) – If True, return only images owned by the current user. Else, return all public images available from the provider. Note that fetching all images may take a long time.

Return type list of Image

Returns list of image objects

NetworkingService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.NetworkingService

Base service interface for networking.

This service offers a collection of networking services that in turn provide access to networking resources.

networks

Provides access to all Network related services.

Return type NetworkService

Returns a Network service object

routers

Provides access to all Router related services.

Return type RouterService

Returns a Router service object

subnets

Provides access to all Subnet related services.

Return type SubnetService

Returns a Subnet service object

NetworkService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.NetworkService

Base interface for a Network Service.

create (label, cidr_block)

Create a new network.

Parameters

- label (str) A label for the network.
- cidr_block (str) The cidr block for this network. Some providers will respect this at the network level, while others will only respect it at subnet level. However, to write portable code, you should make sure that any subnets you create fall within this initially specified range. Note that the block size should be between a /16 netmask (65,536 IP addresses) and /28 netmask (16 IP addresses), e.g. 10.0.0.0/16.

Return type object of Network

Returns A Network object

delete (network)

Delete an existing Network.

Parameters network (str or Network) - The object or id of the network to be deleted.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a network by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: name, label

Return type List of object of Network

Returns A list of Network objects matching the supplied attributes.

```
get (network id)
```

Returns a Network given its ID or None if not found.

Parameters network_id (str) - The ID of the network to retrieve.

Return type object of Network

Returns a Network object

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all networks.

Return type list of Network

Returns list of Network objects

subnets

Provides access to subnets.

Example:

```
# Print all subnets
for s in provider.networking.subnets:
    print(s.id, s.name, s.label)

# Get subnet by ID
s = provider.networking.subnets.get('subnet-id')
print(s.id, s.name, s.label)
```

Return type SubnetService

Returns a SubnetService object

SubnetService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.SubnetService

Base interface for a Subnet Service.

create (label, network, cidr_block)

Create a new subnet within the supplied network.

Parameters

- label (str) The subnet label.
- **network** (*Network* object or str) Network object or ID under which to create the subnet.
- cidr_block (str) CIDR block within the Network to assign to the subnet.

Return type object of Subnet

Returns A Subnet object

delete (subnet)

Delete an existing Subnet.

Parameters subnet (Subnet object or str) – Subnet object or ID of the subnet to delete.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a subnet by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: name, label

```
Return type List of object of Subnet
```

Returns A list of Subnet objects matching the supplied attributes.

get (subnet_id)

Returns a Subnet given its ID or None if not found.

Parameters subnet_id (Network object or str) - The ID of the subnet to retrieve.

Return type object of Subnet

Returns a Subnet object

get_or_create_default()

Return a default subnet for the account or create one if not found. This provides a convenience method for obtaining a network if you are not particularly concerned with how the network is structured.

A default network is one marked as such by the provider or matches the default label used by this library (e.g., cloudbridge-net).

Return type object of Subnet

Returns A Subnet object

list (network=None, limit=None, marker=None)

List all subnets or filter them by the supplied network ID.

Parameters network (str) - Network object or ID with which to filter the subnets.

Return type list of Subnet

Returns list of Subnet objects

FloatingIPService

RouterService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.RouterService
```

Manage networking router actions and resources.

create (label, network)

Create a new router.

Parameters

- label (str) A router label.
- **network** (Network object or str) Network object or ID under which to create the router.

Return type object of Router

Returns A Router object

delete (router)

Delete an existing Router.

Parameters router (Router object or str) - Router object or ID of the router to delete.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a router by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: label

Return type List of object of Router

Returns A list of Router objects matching the supplied attributes.

```
get (router_id)
```

Returns a Router object given its ID.

Parameters router_id (str) - The ID of the router to retrieve.

Return type object of Router or None

Returns a Router object of None if not found.

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all routers.

Return type list of Router

Returns list of Router objects

GatewayService

BucketService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.BucketService
```

The Bucket Service interface provides access to the underlying object storage capabilities of this provider. This service is optional and the CloudProvider.has_service() method should be used to verify its availability before using the service.

```
create (name, location=None)
```

Create a new bucket.

If a bucket with the specified name already exists, return a reference to that bucket.

Example:

```
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.create('my_bucket_name')
print(bucket.name)
```

Parameters

- name (str) The name of this bucket.
- location (object of Region) The region in which to place this bucket.

Returns a Bucket object

Return type object of Bucket

```
find(**kwargs)
```

Searches for a bucket by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: name

Example:

```
buckets = provider.storage.buckets.find(name='my_bucket_name')
for bucket in buckets:
    print(bucket.id, bucket.name)
```

Return type Bucket

Returns a Bucket instance

get (bucket_id)

Returns a bucket given its ID. Returns None if the bucket does not exist. On some providers, such as AWS and OpenStack, the bucket id is the same as its name.

Example:

```
bucket = provider.storage.buckets.get('my_bucket_id')
print(bucket.id, bucket.name)
```

Return type Bucket

Returns a Bucket instance

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all buckets.

Example:

```
buckets = provider.storage.buckets.find(name='my_bucket_name')
for bucket in buckets:
    print(bucket.id, bucket.name)
```

Return type Bucket

Returns list of bucket objects

SecurityService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.SecurityService

The security service interface can be used to access security related functions in the provider, such as firewall control and keypairs.

key_pairs

Provides access to key pairs for this provider.

Example:

```
# print all keypairs
for kp in provider.security.keypairs:
    print(kp.id, kp.name)

# find keypair by name
kp = provider.security.keypairs.find(name='my_key_pair')[0]
print(kp.id, kp.name)
```

Return type KeyPairService

Returns a KeyPairService object

vm_firewalls

Provides access to firewalls (security groups) for this provider.

Example:

```
# print all VM firewalls
for fw in provider.security.vm_firewalls:
    print(fw.id, fw.name)
```

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```
# find firewall by name
fw = provider.security.vm_firewalls.find(name='my_vm_fw')[0]
print(fw.id, fw.name)
```

Return type VMFirewallService

Returns a VMFirewallService object

KeyPairService

 ${\bf class} \ {\bf cloudbridge.interfaces.services.KeyPairService}$

Base interface for key pairs.

create (name, public_key_material=None)

Create a new key pair or raise an exception if one already exists. If the public_key_material is provided, the material will be imported to create the new keypair. Otherwise, a new public and private key pair will be generated.

Parameters

- name (str) The name of the key pair to be created.
- public_key_material (str) The key-pair material to import in OpenSSH format.

Return type object of KeyPair

Returns A keypair instance or None.

delete(key_pair)

Delete an existing keypair.

Parameters key_pair (str or *KeyPair*) – The object or id of the key pair to be deleted.

Return type bool

Returns True if the key does not exist, False otherwise. Note that this implies that the key may not have been deleted by this method but instead has not existed at all.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a key pair by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: name

Return type object of KeyPair

Returns a KeyPair object

get (key_pair_id)

Return a KeyPair given its ID or None if not found.

On some providers, such as AWS and OpenStack, the KeyPair ID is the same as its name.

Example:

```
key_pair = provider.security.keypairs.get('my_key_pair_id')
print(key_pair.id, key_pair.name)
```

Return type KeyPair

Returns a KeyPair instance

```
list(limit=None, marker=None)
```

List all key pairs associated with this account.

Return type list of KeyPair

Returns list of KeyPair objects

VMFirewallService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.VMFirewallService
```

Base interface for VM firewalls.

create (label, network, description=None)

Create a new VMFirewall.

Parameters

- label (str) The label for the new VM firewall.
- network (str) Network ID under which to create the VM firewall.
- **description** (str) The description of the new VM firewall.

Return type object of VMFirewall

Returns A VMFirewall instance or None if one was not created.

delete(vm firewall)

Delete an existing VMFirewall.

Parameters vm_firewall (str or VMFirewall) - The object or VM firewall ID to be deleted.

find(**kwargs)

Get VM firewalls associated with your account filtered by name.

Supported attributes: name

Parameters name (str) – The name of the VM firewall to retrieve.

Return type list of VMFirewall

Returns A list of VMFirewall objects or an empty list if none found.

get (vm_firewall_id)

Returns a VMFirewall given its ID. Returns None if the VMFirewall does not exist.

Example:

```
fw = provider.security.vm_firewalls.get('my_fw_id')
print(fw.id, fw.name)
```

Return type VMFirewall

Returns a VMFirewall instance

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all VM firewalls associated with this account.

Return type list of VMFirewall

Returns list of VMFirewall objects

VMTypeService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.VMTypeService
     find(**kwargs)
          Searches for instances by a given list of attributes.
          Supported attributes: name
              Return type object of VMType
              Returns an Instance object
     get (vm_type_id)
          Returns an VMType given its ID. Returns None if the VMType does not exist.
          Example:
          vm_type = provider.compute.vm_types.get('my_vm_type_id')
          print(vm_type.id, vm_type.name)
              Return type VMType
              Returns an VMType instance
     list (limit=None, marker=None)
          List all VM types.
              Return type list of VMType
              Returns list of VMType objects
RegionService
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.RegionService
     Base interface for a Region service
     current
          Returns the current region that this provider is connected to.
          If the current region cannot be discovered, return None.
              Return type object of Region
              Returns a Region instance or None
     find(**kwargs)
          Searches for a region by a given list of attributes.
          Supported attributes: name
              \textbf{Return type} \ \texttt{object of} \ \textit{Region}
              Returns a Region object
     get (region_id)
          Returns a region given its id. Returns None if the region does not exist.
              Return type object of Region
              Returns a Region instance
```

```
list (limit=None, marker=None) List all regions.
```

Return type list of Region

Returns list of region objects

DnsService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.DnsService
```

Base service interface for DNS.

This service offers a collection of DNS services that in turn provide access to DNS resources.

host zones

Provides access to all dns zones.

Return type DnsZoneService

Returns a Dns Host Zone service

DnsZoneService

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.DnsZoneService
```

Manage DNS Zone actions and resources. This service is optional and the CloudProvider. has_service() method should be used to verify its availability before using the service.

create (label, admin_email)

Create a new host zone.

Parameters

- label (str) A host zone label.
- admin_email (str) Email address of this zone's administrator.

Return type object of DnsZone

Returns A DnsZone object

delete(dns_zone)

Delete an existing DnsHostZone.

Parameters dns_zone (*DnsZone* object or str) – DnsZone object or ID of the host zone to delete.

find(**kwargs)

Searches for a host zone by a given list of attributes.

Supported attributes: label

Return type List of object of DnsZone

Returns A list of Dns Zone objects matching the supplied attributes.

get (dns_zone_id)

Returns a DnsZone object given its ID.

Parameters dns_zone_id (str) - The ID of the host zone to retrieve.

Return type object of DnsZone or None

Returns a DnsZone object of None if not found.

list (limit=None, marker=None)

List all host zones.

Return type list of DnsZone

Returns list of DnsZone objects

DnsRecordService

class cloudbridge.interfaces.services.DnsRecordService

The Dns Record Service interface provides access to the records belonging to a Dns Zone.

create (dns_zone, name, type, data, ttl=None)

Create a new record within a zone.

Parameters

- name (str) The record name.
- type (str) The DnsRecord type. (e.g. A, CNAME, MX etc)
- data (int) The corresponding value for the record. The relevant values must be fully qualified (e.g. CNAMEs). If the trailing dot is omitted, it will be automatically added and thus assumed to be fully qualified.
- data The ttl (in seconds) for this record.

Return type object of DnsRecord

Returns A DnsRecord object

get (dns_zone, rec_id)

Returns a record given its ID and the dns_zone containing it. Returns None if the record does not exist.

Return type DnsRecord

Returns a DnsRecord instance

list (dns_zone, limit=None, marker=None)

List all records within a dns zone.

Return type DnsRecord

Returns a DnsRecord instance

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CloudServiceType

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.CloudServiceType

Defines possible service types that are offered by providers.

Providers can implement the has_service method and clients can check for the availability of a service with:

```
if (provider.has_service(CloudServiceTypes.BUCKET))
...
```

CloudResource

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.CloudResource

Base interface for any Resource supported by a provider.

This interface has a _provider property that can be used to access the provider associated with the resource, which is only intended for use by subclasses. Every CloudBridge resource also has an id, a name and a label property. The id property is a unique identifier for the resource. The name is a more user-friendly version of an id, suitable for display to an end-user. However, it cannot be used in place of id. See @name documentation. The label property is a user-assignable identifier for the resource.

id

Get the resource identifier.

The id property is used to uniquely identify the resource, and is an opaque value which should not be interpreted by CloudBridge clients, and is a value meaningful to the underlying cloud provider.

Return type str

Returns ID for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

name

Get the name id for the resource.

The name property is typically a user-friendly id value for the resource. The name is different from the id property in the following ways:

- 1. The name property is often a more user-friendly value to display to the user than the id property.
- 2. The name may sometimes be the same as the id, but should never be used in place of the id.
- 3. The id is what will uniquely identify a resource, and will be used internally by CloudBridge for all get operations etc.
- 4. All resources have a name.
- 5. The name is read-only.
- 6. However, the name may not necessarily be unique, which is the reason why it should not be used for uniquely identifying a resource.

Example: The AWS machine image name maps to a CloudBridge name. It is not editable and is a user friendly name such as 'Ubuntu 18.04' and corresponds to the ami-name. It is distinct from the ami-id, which maps to CloudBridge's id property. The ami-name cannot be edited, and is set at creation time. It is not necessarily unique. In Azure, the machine image's name corresponds to CloudBridge's name property. In Azure, it also happens to be the same as the id property.

The name property and the label property share the same character restrictions. See label.

to_json()

Returns a JSON representation of the CloudResource object.

Configuration

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Configuration

Represents a CloudBridge configuration object

debug_mode

A flag indicating whether CloudBridge is in debug mode.

Setting this to True will cause the underlying provider's debug output to be turned on. The flag can be toggled by sending in the cb_debug value via the config dictionary, or setting the CB_DEBUG environment variable.

Return type bool

Returns Whether debug mode is on.

default result limit

Get the default maximum number of results to return for a list method.

The default limit will be applied to most list() and find() methods whenever an explicit limit is not specified.

Return type int

Returns The maximum number of results to return

default_wait_interval

Get the default wait interval for LifeCycleObjects.

The default wait interval is applied in wait_for() and wait_till_ready() methods if no explicit interval is specified.

Return type int

Returns How frequently to poll the object's state.

default_wait_timeout

Get the default wait timeout for LifeCycleObjects.

The default wait timeout is applied in wait_for() and wait_till_ready() methods if no explicit timeout is specified.

Return type int

Returns The maximum length of time (in seconds) to wait for the object to change to desired state.

ObjectLifeCycleMixin

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.ObjectLifeCycleMixin

A mixin for an object with a defined life-cycle.

Object examples include an Instance, Volume, Image, or Snapshot. An object that supports ObjectLifeCycleMixin will always have a state, defining which point in its life cycle it is currently at.

It also defines a wait_till_ready operation, which indicates that the object is in a state in its life cycle where it is ready to be used by an end-user.

A refresh operation allows the object to synchronize its state with the service provider.

refresh()

Refresh this object's state and synchronize it with the provider.

state

Get the current state of this object.

Return type str

Returns The current state as a string.

wait_for (target_states, terminal_states=None, timeout=None, interval=None)

Wait for for an object to reach a one of desired target states.

If the object does not reach the desired state within the specified timeout, a WaitStateException will be raised. The optional terminal_states property can be used to specify an additional set of states which, should the object reach one, the object thereafter will not transition into the desired target state. Should this happen, a WaitStateException will be raised.

Example:

```
instance.wait_for(
    [InstanceState.DELETED, InstanceState.UNKNOWN],
    terminal_states=[InstanceState.ERROR])
```

Parameters

- target_states (list of states) The list of target states to wait for.
- terminal_states (list of states) A list of terminal states after which the object will not transition into a target state. A WaitStateException will be raised if the object transition into a terminal state.
- **timeout** (int) The maximum length of time (in seconds) to wait for the object to changed to desired state. If no timeout is specified, the global default_wait_timeout defined in the provider config will apply.
- **interval** (int) How frequently to poll the object's state (in seconds). If no interval is specified, the global default_wait_interval defined in the provider config will apply.

Return type True

Returns Returns True if successful. A WaitStateException exception may be thrown by the underlying service if the object cannot get into a ready state (e.g. if the object is in an error state).

```
wait_till_ready (timeout, interval)
```

Wait till the current object reaches its ready state.

An object's ready state is any state where the end-user can successfully interact with the object. Will throw a WaitStateException if the object is not ready within the specified timeout.

Parameters

- **timeout** (int) The maximum length of time (in seconds) to wait for the object to become ready.
- interval (int) How frequently to poll the object's ready state (in seconds).

Return type True

Returns Returns True if successful. A WaitStateException exception may be thrown by the underlying service if the object cannot get into a ready state (e.g. if the object is in an error state).

PageableObjectMixin

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.PageableObjectMixin

A marker interface for objects which support paged iteration.

The list of objects can be iterated over using the list (limit, marker) method.

list(limit=None, marker=None)

Returns a list of objects up to a maximum limit.

If a limit and marker are specified, the records will be fetched up to the limit starting from the marker onwards. The returned list is a list of class ResultList, which has extra properties like is_truncated, supports_total and total_records to provide extra information about record availability.

If limit is not specified, the limit will default to the underlying provider's default limit. Therefore, you need to check the is truncated property to determine whether more records are available.

The total number of results can be determined through the total_results property. Not all provides will support returning the total_results property, so the supports_total property can be used to determine whether a total is supported.

To iterate through all the records, it will be easier to iterate directly through the instances using __iter__ instead of calling the list method. The __iter__ method will automatically call the list method to fetch a batch of records at a time.

Example:

```
# get first page of results
instlist = provider.compute.instances.list(limit=50)
for instance in instlist:
   print("Instance Data: {0}", instance)
if instlist.supports_total:
   print("Total results: {0}".format(instlist.total_results))
else:
   print("Total records unknown,"
          "but has more data?: {0}".format(instlist.is_truncated))
# Page to next set of results
if (instlist.is_truncated)
    instlist = provider.compute.instances.list(limit=100,
                                               marker=instlist.marker)
# Alternative: iterate through every available record
for instance in provider.compute.instances:
   print(instance)
```

ResultList

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.ResultList
```

Provide extra properties to aid with paging through a many results.

This is a wrapper class around a standard Python list class.

Example:

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is_truncated

Indicate whether this result list has more results that can be paged.

marker

An opaque identifier used in paging through very long lists of objects.

This marker can be provided to the list method to get the next set of results.

supports_server_paging

Indicate whether this ResultList supports server side paging.

If server side paging is not supported, the result will use client side paging and the data property provides direct access to all available data.

supports_total

Indicate whether can obtain the total number of available results.

The supports_total property should be checked before accessing the total_results property. This is a provider-specific property.

total_results

Indicate the total number of results for a particular query.

The supports_total property should be used to check whether the provider supports returning the total number of results, before accessing this property, or the behavior is indeterminate.

InstanceState

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Instance state unknown.
- **PENDING** Instance is pending
- **CONFIGURING** Instance is being reconfigured in some way.
- **RUNNING** Instance is running.
- **REBOOTING** Instance is rebooting.
- **DELETED** Instance is deleted. No further operations possible.
- **STOPPED** Instance is stopped. Instance can be resumed.
- **ERROR** Instance is in an error state. No further operations possible.

Instance

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Instance

```
add_floating_ip (floating_ip)
```

Add a public IP address to this instance.

Parameters floating_ip (:class:.FloatingIP or floating IP ID) – The FloatingIP object to associate with the instance. Note that is not the actual public IP address but the Cloud-Bridge object encapsulating the IP or the respective provider ID that identifies the address.

add_vm_firewall(firewall)

Add a VM firewall to this instance

Parameters firewall (:class:.VMFirewall) - The VMFirewall to associate with the instance.

create_image (label)

Create a new image based on this instance.

Return type :class:.Image

Returns an Image object

delete()

Permanently delete this instance.

image_id

Get the image ID for this instance.

Return type str

Returns Image ID (i.e., AMI) this instance is using.

key_pair_id

Get the id of the key pair associated with this instance.

Return type str

Returns Id of the ssh key pair associated with this instance.

label

Get the resource label.

The label property is a user-defined, editable identifier for a resource. It will often correspond to a user editable resource label in the underlying cloud provider, or be simulated through tags/labels.

The label property adheres to the following restrictions:

- Must be at least 3 characters in length.
- Cannot be longer than 63 characters.
- May only contain ASCII characters comprising of lowercase letters, numeric characters, and dashes.
- Must begin with an alphanumeric character and end with one (i.e. cannot begin or end with a dash)

Some resources may not support labels, in which case, a NotImplementedError will be thrown.

Return type str

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

private_ips

Get all the private IP addresses for this instance.

Return type list

Returns A list of private IP addresses associated with this instance.

public ips

Get all the public IP addresses for this instance.

Return type list

Returns A list of public IP addresses associated with this instance.

reboot()

Reboot this instance (using the cloud middleware API).

Return type bool

Returns True if the reboot was successful; False otherwise.

remove_floating_ip (floating_ip)

Remove a public IP address from this instance.

Parameters floating_ip (:class:.FloatingIP or floating IP ID) – The FloatingIP object to remove from the instance. Note that is not the actual public IP address but the CloudBridge object encapsulating the IP or the respective provider ID that identifies the address.

remove_vm_firewall (firewall)

Remove a VM firewall from this instance

Parameters firewall (VMFirewall) - The VMFirewall to associate with the instance.

subnet id

Get the subnet ID where this instance is placed.

Return type str

Returns Subnet ID to which this instance is connected.

vm_firewall_ids

Get the IDs of the VM firewalls associated with this instance.

Return type list or :class:str

Returns A list of the VMFirewall IDs associated with this instance.

vm_firewalls

Get the firewalls (security groups) associated with this instance.

Return type list or VMFirewall objects

Returns A list of VMFirewall objects associated with this instance.

vm_type

Retrieve full VM type information for this instance.

Return type VMType

Returns VM type for this instance

vm_type_id

Get the VM type id for this instance.

This will typically be a string value like 'm1.large'. On OpenStack, this may be a number or UUID. To get the full :class: .VMType object, you can use the instance.vm_type property instead.

Return type str

Returns VM type id for this instance (e.g., m1.large)

zone_id

Get the placement zone ID where this instance is running.

Return type str

Returns Region/zone/placement where this instance is running.

MachinelmageState

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.MachineImageState
 Standard states for a machine image

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Image state unknown.
- **PENDING** Image is pending
- **AVAILABLE** Image is available
- ERROR Image is in an error state. Not recoverable.

LaunchConfig

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.LaunchConfig
```

Represents an advanced launch configuration object.

This object can contain information such as BlockDeviceMappings configurations and other advanced options, which may be useful when launching an instance.

Example:

```
lc = provider.compute.instances.create_launch_config()
lc.add_block_device(...)
inst = provider.compute.instances.create(
    'MyVM', image, vm_type, subnet, launch_config=lc)
```

add ephemeral device()

Add a new ephemeral block device mapping to the boot configuration.

This can be used to add existing ephemeral devices to the instance (the total number of ephemeral devices available for a particular VMType can be determined by querying the VMType service). Note that on some providers, such as AWS, ephemeral devices must be added in as a device mapping at instance creation time and cannot be added afterwards.

Note that the device name, such as /dev/sda1, cannot be selected at present, since this tends to be provider and VM type specific. However, the order of device addition coupled with device type will generally determine naming order, with devices added first getting lower letters than instances added later.

Example:

```
lc = provider.compute.instances.create_launch_config()
# 1. Add all available ephemeral devices
vm_type = provider.compute.vm_types.find(name='m1.tiny')[0]
for i in range(vm_type.num_ephemeral_disks):
    lc.add_ephemeral_device()
```

 $\verb"add_volume_device" (source=None, is_root=None, size=None, delete_on_terminate=None)$

Add a new volume based block device mapping to the boot configuration.

The volume can be based on a snapshot, image, existing volume or be a blank new volume, and is specified by the source parameter.

The property is_root can be set to True to override any existing root device mappings. Otherwise, the default behavior is to add new block devices to the instance.

Note that the device name, such as /dev/sda1, cannot be selected at present since this tends to be provider and VM type specific. However, the order of device addition coupled with device type will generally determine naming order, with devices added first getting lower letters than instances added later (except when is_root is set).

Example:

```
lc = provider.compute.instances.create_launch_config()

# 1. Create and attach an empty volume of size 100GB
lc.add_volume_device(size=100, delete_on_terminate=True)

# 2. Create and attach a volume based on a snapshot
snap = provider.storage.snapshots.get('<my_snapshot_id>')
lc.add_volume_device(source=snap)

# 3. Create+attach a volume based on an image and set it as root
img = provider.compute.images.get('<my_image_id>')
lc.add_volume_device(source=img, size=100, is_root=True)
```

Parameters

- **source** (Volume, Snapshot, Image or None.) The source block_device to add. If Volume, the volume will be attached directly to the instance. If Snapshot, a volume will be created based on the Snapshot and attached to the instance. If Image, a volume based on the Image will be attached to the instance. If None, the source is assumed to be a blank volume.
- is_root (bool) Determines which device will serve as the root device. If more than one device is defined as root, an InvalidConfigurationException will be thrown.
- **size** (int) The size of the volume to create. An implementation may ignore this parameter for certain sources like 'Volume'.
- **delete_on_terminate** (bool) Determines whether to delete or keep the volume on instance termination.

Machinelmage

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.MachineImage
```

delete()

Delete this image.

Return type bool

Returns True if the operation succeeded.

description

Get the image description.

Return type str

Returns Description for this image as returned by the cloud middleware.

min_disk

Return the minimum size of the disk that's required to boot this image.

Value returned is in gigabytes.

Return type int

Returns The minimum disk size needed by this image.

NetworkState

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.NetworkState
 Standard states for a network.

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Network state unknown.
- **PENDING** Network is being created.
- **AVAILABLE** Network is available.
- **DOWN** Network is not operational.
- **ERROR** Network is in error state.

Network

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Network
Represents a software-defined network, like the Virtual Private Cloud.
```

cidr block

A CIDR block for this network.

Note: OpenStack does not define a CIDR block for networks.

Return type str

Returns A CIDR block string.

delete()

Delete this network.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

external

A flag to indicate if this network is capable of Internet-connectivity.

Return type bool

Returns True if the network can be connected to the Internet.

gateways

Provides access to the internet gateways attached to this network.

Return type GatewaySubService Returns A GatewaySubService object

label

Get the resource label.

The label property is a user-defined, editable identifier for a resource. It will often correspond to a user editable resource label in the underlying cloud provider, or be simulated through tags/labels.

The label property adheres to the following restrictions:

- Must be at least 3 characters in length.
- Cannot be longer than 63 characters.
- May only contain ASCII characters comprising of lowercase letters, numeric characters, and dashes.
- Must begin with an alphanumeric character and end with one (i.e. cannot begin or end with a dash)

Some resources may not support labels, in which case, a NotImplementedError will be thrown.

Return type str

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

state

The state of the network.

Return type str

Returns One of unknown, pending, available, down or error.

subnets

The associated subnets.

Return type list of Subnet

Returns List of subnets associated with this network.

SubnetState

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.SubnetState
 Standard states for a subnet.

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Subnet state unknown.
- **PENDING** Subnet is being created.
- **AVAILABLE** Subnet is available.
- **DOWN** Subnet is not operational.
- **ERROR** Subnet is in error state.

Subnet

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources. Subnet

Represents a subnet, as part of a Network.

cidr_block

A CIDR block for this subnet.

Return type str

Returns A CIDR block string.

delete()

Delete this subnet.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

label

Get the resource label.

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Some resources may not support labels, in which case, a NotImplementedError will be thrown.

```
Return type str
```

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

network

The parent network object associated with this this subnet.

```
Return type Network
Returns Network object
```

network id

ID of the network associated with this this subnet.

```
Return type str

Returns Network ID.
```

zone

Placement zone of the subnet.

If the provider does not support subnet placement, return None.

```
Return type PlacementZone object
```

Returns Placement zone of the subnet, or None if not defined.

FloatingIP

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.FloatingIP
   Represents a floating (i.e., static) IP address.

delete()
   Delete this address.

   Return type bool
```

Returns True if successful.

```
in_use
Wh
```

Whether the address is in use or not.

Return type bool

Returns True if the address is attached to an instance.

private_ip

Private IP address this address is attached to.

Return type str

Returns IP address or None.

public_ip

Public IP address.

Return type str

Returns IP address.

RouterState

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.RouterState
    Standard states for a router.
```

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Router state unknown.
- **ATTACHED** Router is attached to a network and should be operational.
- **DETACHED** Router is detached from a network.

Router

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Router Represents a private network router.
```

This logical router is meant to roughly mimic the properties of a physical router. Therefore, attaching a subnet can be thought of as plugging in a network cable to enable routing to/from that subnet. Attaching a gateway can be thought of as plugging in an upstream link.

```
attach_gateway (gateway)
```

Attach a gateway to this router.

Parameters gateway (Gateway) – The Gateway to attach to this router.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

attach subnet(subnet)

Attach this router to a subnet.

Parameters subnet (Subnet or str) – The subnet to which to attach this router.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

delete()

Delete this router.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

detach_gateway (gateway)

Detach this router from a gateway.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

detach_subnet (subnet)

Detach this subnet from a network.

Parameters subnet (Subnet or str) – The subnet to detach from this router.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

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Return type str

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

network_id

ID of the network to which the router is attached.

Return type str

Returns ID for the attached network or None.

state

Router state: attached or detached to a network.

Return type str

Returns attached or detached.

subnets

List of subnets attached to this router.

Return type list of Subnet objects

Returns A list of subnets associated with this router.

Gateway

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Gateway

Represents a gateway resource.

delete()

Delete this gateway. On some providers, if the gateway is public/a singleton, this operation will do nothing.

floating_ips

Provides access to floating IPs connected to this internet gateway.

Return type FloatingIPSubService

Returns A FloatingIPSubService object

network id

ID of the network to which the gateway is attached.

Return type str

Returns ID for the attached network or None.

InternetGateway

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.InternetGateway
 Represents an Internet gateway resource.

VolumeState

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.VolumeState
 Standard states for a volume

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Volume state unknown.
- **CREATING** Volume is being created.
- **CONFIGURING** Volume is being configured in some way.
- **AVAILABLE** Volume is available and can be attached to an instance.
- **IN USE** Volume is attached and in-use.
- **DELETED** Volume has been deleted. No further operations possible.
- **ERROR** Volume is in an error state. No further operations possible.

Volume

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Volume

Represents a block storage device (aka volume).

attach (instance, device)

Attach this volume to an instance.

Parameters

• **instance** (str or *Instance* object) – The ID of an instance or an Instance object to which this volume will be attached.

• **device** (str) – The device on the instance through which the volume will be exposed (e.g. /dev/sdh).

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

attachments

Get attachment information for this volume.

Return type AttachmentInfo

Returns Returns an AttachmentInfo object.

create_snapshot (label, description=None)

Create a snapshot of this Volume.

Parameters

- label (str) The label for this snapshot.
- **description** (str) A description of the snapshot. Limited to 256 characters.

Return type Snapshot

Returns The created Snapshot object.

create time

Get the creation data and time for this volume.

Return type DateTime

Returns Creation time for this volume as returned by the cloud middleware.

delete()

Delete this volume.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

description

Get the volume description.

Some cloud providers may not support this property, and will return the volume label instead.

Return type str

Returns Description for this volume as returned by the cloud middleware.

detach (force=False)

Detach this volume from an instance.

Parameters force (bool) – Forces detachment if the previous detachment attempt did not occur cleanly. This option is supported on select clouds only. This option can lead to data loss or a corrupted file system. Use this option only as a last resort to detach a volume from a failed instance. The instance will not have an opportunity to flush file system caches nor file system meta data. If you use this option, you must perform file system check and repair procedures.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

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```
Return type str
```

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

size

Get the volume size (in GB).

```
Return type int
```

Returns Size for this volume as returned by the cloud middleware.

source

If available, get the source that this volume is based on.

This can be a Snapshot, an Image, or None if no source.

```
Return type Snapshot, Image, or None
```

Returns Snapshot or Image source for this volume as returned by the cloud middleware.

zone id

Get the placement zone id that this volume belongs to.

```
Return type str
```

Returns PlacementZone for this volume as returned by the cloud middleware.

SnapshotState

Variables

- **UNKNOWN** Snapshot state unknown.
- **PENDING** Snapshot is pending.
- **CONFIGURING** Snapshot is being configured in some way.
- **AVAILABLE** Snapshot has been completed and is ready for use.
- **ERROR** Snapshot is in an error state. No further operations possible.

Snapshot

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Snapshot

Represents a snapshot of a block storage device.

create_time

Get the creation data and time for this snapshot.

Return type DateTime

Returns Creation time for this snapshot as returned by the cloud middleware.

create_volume (size=None, volume_type=None, iops=None)

Create a new Volume from this Snapshot.

Parameters

- **size** (int) The size of the new volume, in GiB (optional). Defaults to the size of the snapshot.
- **volume_type** (str) The type of the volume (optional). Availability and valid values depend on the provider.
- iops (int) The provisioned IOPs you want to associate with this volume (optional). Availability depends on the provider.

Return type Volume

Returns An instance of the created Volume.

delete()

Delete this snapshot.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

description

Get the snapshot description.

Some cloud providers may not support this property, and will return the snapshot label instead.

Return type str

Returns Description for this snapshot as returned by the cloud middleware.

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Return type str

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

size

Get the snapshot size (in GB).

Return type int

Returns Size for this snapshot as returned by the cloud middleware.

volume id

Get the id of the volume that this snapshot is based on.

This method may return None if the source volume no longer exists.

Return type int

Returns Id of the volume that this snapshot is based on

KeyPair

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.KeyPair
```

Represents an ssh key pair.

delete()

Delete this key pair.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

material

Unencrypted private key.

Return type str

Returns Unencrypted private key or None if not available.

Region

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Region
```

Represents a cloud region.

A cloud region is typically a separate geographic area and will contain at least one placement zone.

zones

Access information about placement zones within this region.

Return type Iterable

Returns Iterable of available placement zones in this region.

PlacementZone

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.PlacementZone
```

Represents a placement zone.

A placement zone is contained within a Region.

region name

A region this placement zone is associated with.

Return type str

Returns The id of the region the zone is associated with.

VMType

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.VMType A VM type object.

extra_data

A dictionary of extra data about this instance. May contain nested dictionaries, but all key value pairs are strings or integers.

```
Return type dict
```

Returns Extra attributes for this VM type.

family

The family/group that this VM type belongs to.

For example, General Purpose Instances or High-Memory Instances. If the provider does not support such a grouping, it may return None.

```
Return type str
```

Returns Name of the instance family or None.

num_ephemeral_disks

The total number of ephemeral disks on this VM type.

```
Return type int
```

Returns Number of ephemeral disks available.

ram

The amount of RAM (in GB) supported by this VM type.

```
Return type float
```

Returns Total RAM (in GB).

size_ephemeral_disks

The size of this VM types's total ephemeral storage (in GB).

```
Return type int
```

Returns Size of ephemeral disks (in GB).

size root disk

The size of this VM types's root disk (in GB).

```
Return type int
```

Returns Size of root disk (in GB).

size total disk

The total disk space available on this VM type (root_disk + ephemeral).

Return type int

Returns Size of total disk space (in GB).

vcpus

The number of VCPUs supported by this VM type.

Return type int

Returns Number of VCPUs.

VMFirewall

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.VMFirewall

Represents a firewall resource applied to virtual machines.

This is in contrast to a firewall for a network, for example.

description

Return the description of this VM firewall.

Return type str

Returns A description of this VM firewall.

label

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Some resources may not support labels, in which case, a NotImplementedError will be thrown.

Return type str

Returns Label for this resource as returned by the cloud middleware.

Raise NotImplementedError if this resource does not support labels.

network id

Network ID with which this VM firewall is associated.

Return type str

Returns Provider-supplied network ID or None is not available.

rules

Get access to the rules belonging to this VM firewall.

This object can be used for further operations on rules, such as get, list, create, etc.

Return type An object of VMF irewall RuleSubService

Returns A VMFirewallRuleSubService for further operations

VMFirewallRule

class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.VMFirewallRule Represents a VM firewall rule.

cidr

CIDR block this VM firewall is providing access to.

Return type str

Returns CIDR block.

delete() Delete this rule. direction Direction of traff Either Traffic

Direction of traffic to which this rule applies.

Either TrafficDirection.INBOUND or TrafficDirection.OUTBOUND.

Return type str

Returns Direction of traffic to which this rule applies.

from_port

Lowest port number opened as part of this rule.

Return type int

Returns Lowest port number or 0 if not set.

protocol

IP protocol used. Either tcp | udp | icmp.

Return type str

Returns Active protocol.

src_dest_fw

VM firewall given access permissions by this rule.

Return type :class:.VMFirewall

Returns The VM firewall granted access.

src_dest_fw_id

VM firewall id given access permissions by this rule.

Return type str

Returns The VM firewall granted access.

to_port

Highest port number opened as part of this rule.

Return type int

Returns Highest port number or 0 if not set.

TrafficDirection

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.TrafficDirection
    Direction of data flow in a firewall.
```

BucketObject

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.BucketObject
Represents an object stored within a bucket.
```

delete()

Delete this object.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

generate url(expires in)

Generate a signed URL to this object.

A signed URL associated with an object gives time-limited read access to that specific object. Anyone in possession of the URL has the access granted by the URL.

Parameters expires_in (int) – Time to live of the generated URL in seconds.

Return type str

Returns A URL to access the object.

iter_content()

Returns this object's content as an iterable.

Return type Iterable

Returns An iterable of the file contents

last modified

Get the date and time this object was last modified.

Return type str

Returns Date and time formatted string %Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%S.%f

name

Retrieve the name of the current object.

The bucket object name adheres to a naming requirement that is more relaxed than the naming requirement enforced across CloudBridge. More details are available here: http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/dev/UsingMetadata.html#object-key-guidelines

Return type str

Returns Name for this object as returned by the cloud middleware.

refresh()

Refresh this object's state and synchronize it with the underlying service provider.

save_content (target_stream)

Save this object and write its contents to the target_stream.

size

Get this object's size.

Return type int

Returns Size of this object in bytes.

upload(source stream)

Set the contents of the object to the data read from the source stream.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

upload_from_file (path)

Store the contents of the file pointed by the "path" variable.

Parameters path (str) – Absolute path to the file to be uploaded to S3.

Bucket

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.Bucket
```

Represents a namespace for objects (eg, object store bucket or container).

delete (delete_contents=False)

Delete this bucket.

Parameters delete_contents (bool) - If True, all objects within the bucket will be deleted.

Return type bool

Returns True if successful.

name

Retrieve the name of the current bucket.

Return type str

Returns Name for this instance as returned by the cloud middleware.

objects

Get a container for the objects belonging to this Bucket.

This object can be used to iterate through bucket objects, as well as perform further operations on buckets, such as get, list, create, etc.

```
# Show all objects in bucket
print(list(bucket.objects))

# Find an object by name
print(bucket.objects.find(name='my_obj.txt'))

# Get first page of bucket list
print(bucket.objects.list())

# Create a new object within this bucket
obj = bucket.objects.create('my_obj.txt')
```

Return type BucketContainer

Returns A BucketContainer for further operations.

DnsZone

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.DnsZone
```

Represents a dns host zone.

A host zone represents a top level domain (e.g. cloudve.org) in which multiple dns records (e.g. A, CNAME. MX etc.) are contained.

admin_email

Email address of this zone's administrator. Some cloud providers do not support this field, and therefore, it may be stored in an extra field such as description or not supported at all. (This field is mandatory in OpenStack)

Returns Administrator's email as a string

delete()

Delete this zone.

records

List of DNS records in this zone.

Return type list of DnsRecord objects

Returns A list of DnsRecords associated with this zone.

DnsRecord

```
class cloudbridge.interfaces.resources.DnsRecord
```

Represents a dns record.

A dns record belongs to a host zone and can contain records of varous types such as A, CNAME. MX etc.

data

Dns Record data

Return type str

Returns A string containing this DNS record's data.

ttl

ttl for this record

Return type int

Returns The ttl (in seconds) for this record.

type

Dns Record type which could be A, CNAME, MX, AAAA, PTR

Return type DnsRecordType

Returns An enum representing the DNS record type.

zone id

The containing zone for this dns record

Return type str

Returns The ID of the zone for this dns record

4.5.4 Exceptions

- CloudBridgeBaseException
- WaitStateException
- InvalidConfigurationException
- ProviderConnectionException
- $\bullet \ \textit{InvalidLabelException}$
- InvalidValueException

CloudBridgeBaseException

class cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.CloudBridgeBaseException
 Base class for all CloudBridge exceptions

WaitStateException

class cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.WaitStateException

Marker interface for object wait exceptions. Thrown when a timeout or errors occurs waiting for an object does not reach the expected state within a specified time limit.

InvalidConfigurationException

 $\textbf{class} \ \texttt{cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.InvalidConfigurationException}$

Marker interface for invalid launch configurations. Thrown when a combination of parameters in a LaunchConfig object results in an illegal state.

ProviderConnectionException

class cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.ProviderConnectionException

Marker interface for connection errors to a cloud provider. Thrown when CloudBridge is unable to connect with a provider, for example, when credentials are incorrect, or connection settings are invalid.

InvalidLabelException

class cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.InvalidLabelException (msg)

Marker interface for any attempt to set an invalid label on a CloudBridge resource. An example would be setting uppercase letters, which are not allowed in a resource label. InvalidLabelExceptions inherit from, and are a special case of InvalidNameExceptions. At present, these restrictions are identical.

InvalidValueException

class cloudbridge.interfaces.exceptions.InvalidValueException(param, value)

Marker interface for any attempt to set an invalid value on a CloudBridge resource. An example would be setting an unrecognised value for the direction of a firewall rule other than TrafficDirection.INBOUND or TrafficDirection.OUTBOUND.

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