



Making IT Rain with Cloud Computing

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*“One must learn by doing the thing;
for though you think you know it, you have no certainty until you try.” - Sophocles*

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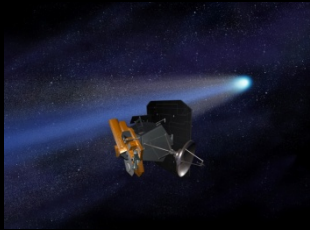
- JPL is a Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) Managed by CalTech for NASA
- NASA's lead center for robotic exploration of the solar system. Have 19 spacecraft and 9 instruments across the solar system and beyond
- \$1.7B contract per year, ~ 5,000 employees; 177 acre facility located in Pasadena, CA, with 670K sq.ft of office space and 900K sq.ft. of labs



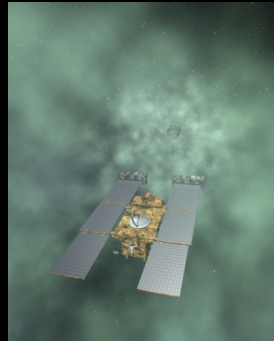
- Manages worldwide Deep Space Network
 - 3 Locations - Goldstone CA, Madrid Spain, Canberra Australia
 - Spacecraft Command & Control - Recording scientific data
- 50+ years experience in spacecraft design, production, operation
- JPL spacecraft have visited all planets in our solar system except Pluto!



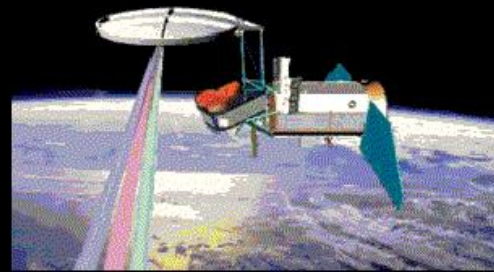
Upcoming Mars & Solar System Exploration Events



EPOXI
Comet
Flyby



Stardust-
NEXT
Comet
Flyby



Aquarius
April 2011



Juno
August
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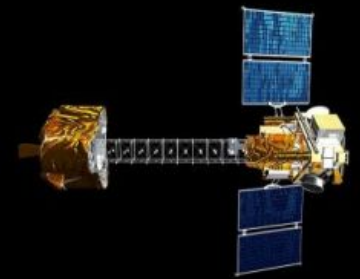
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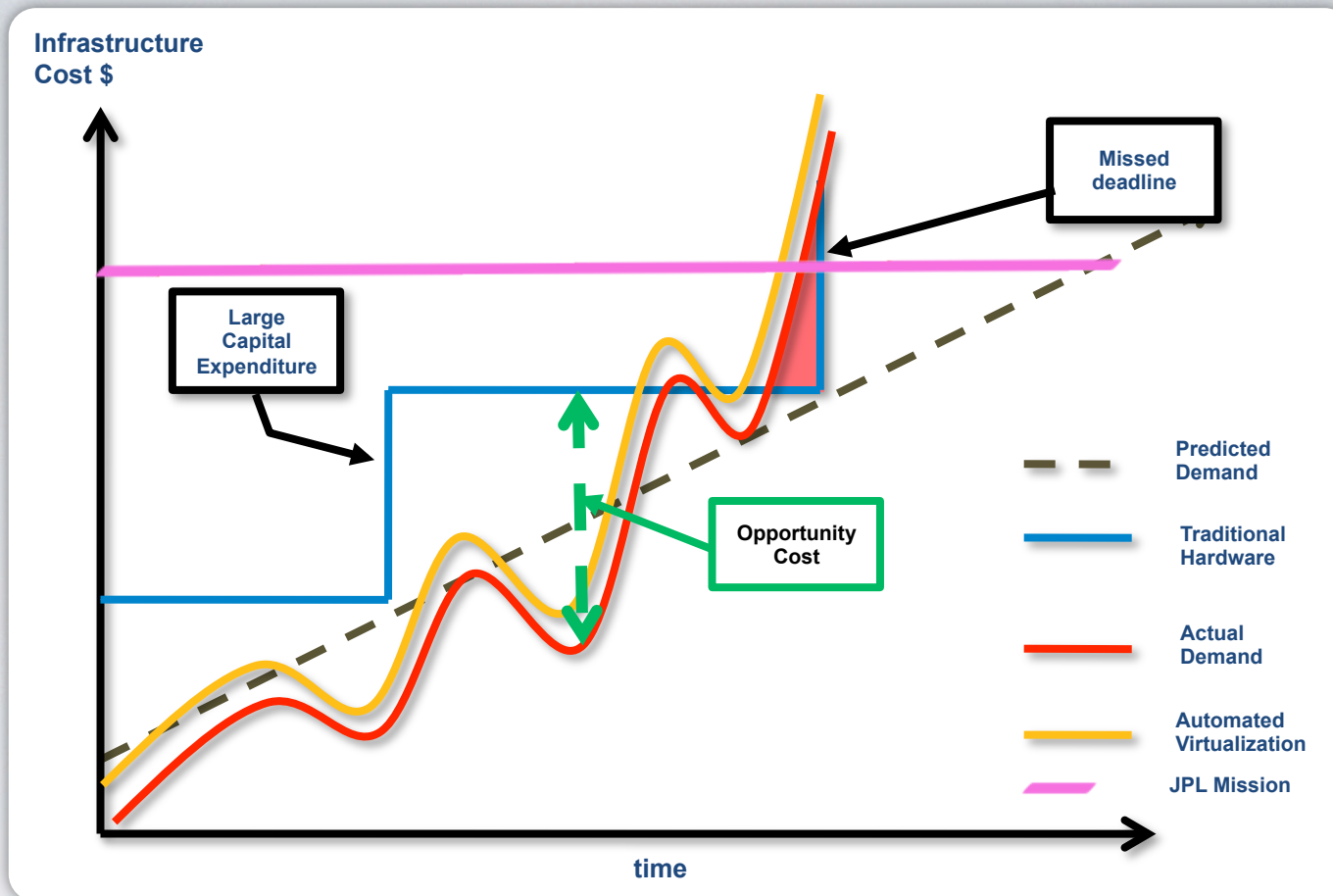
Mars Science
Laboratory
November 2011



NuSTAR
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PEARL STREET STATION





Mission Operations Computers

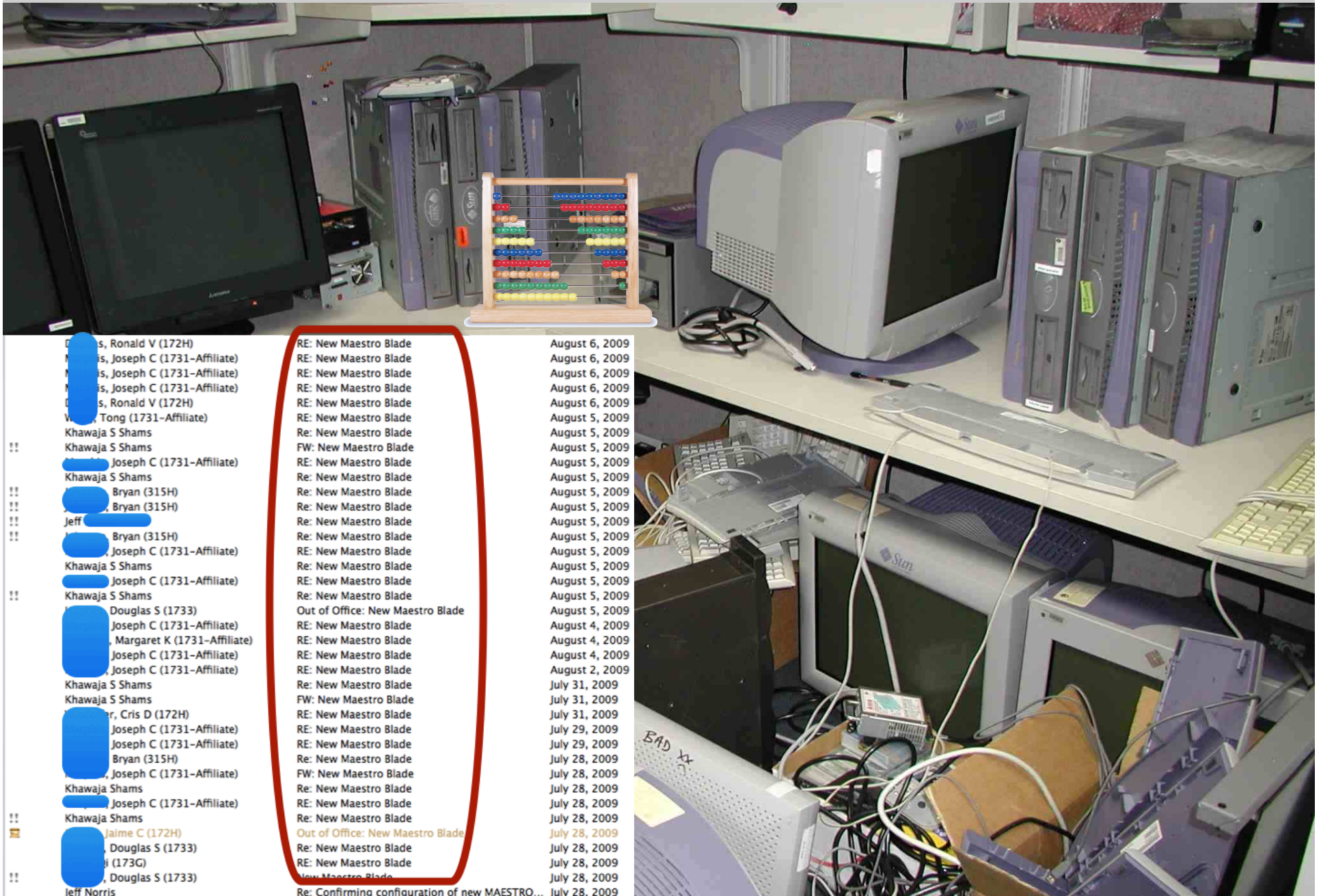
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Traditional Approach to Infrastructure



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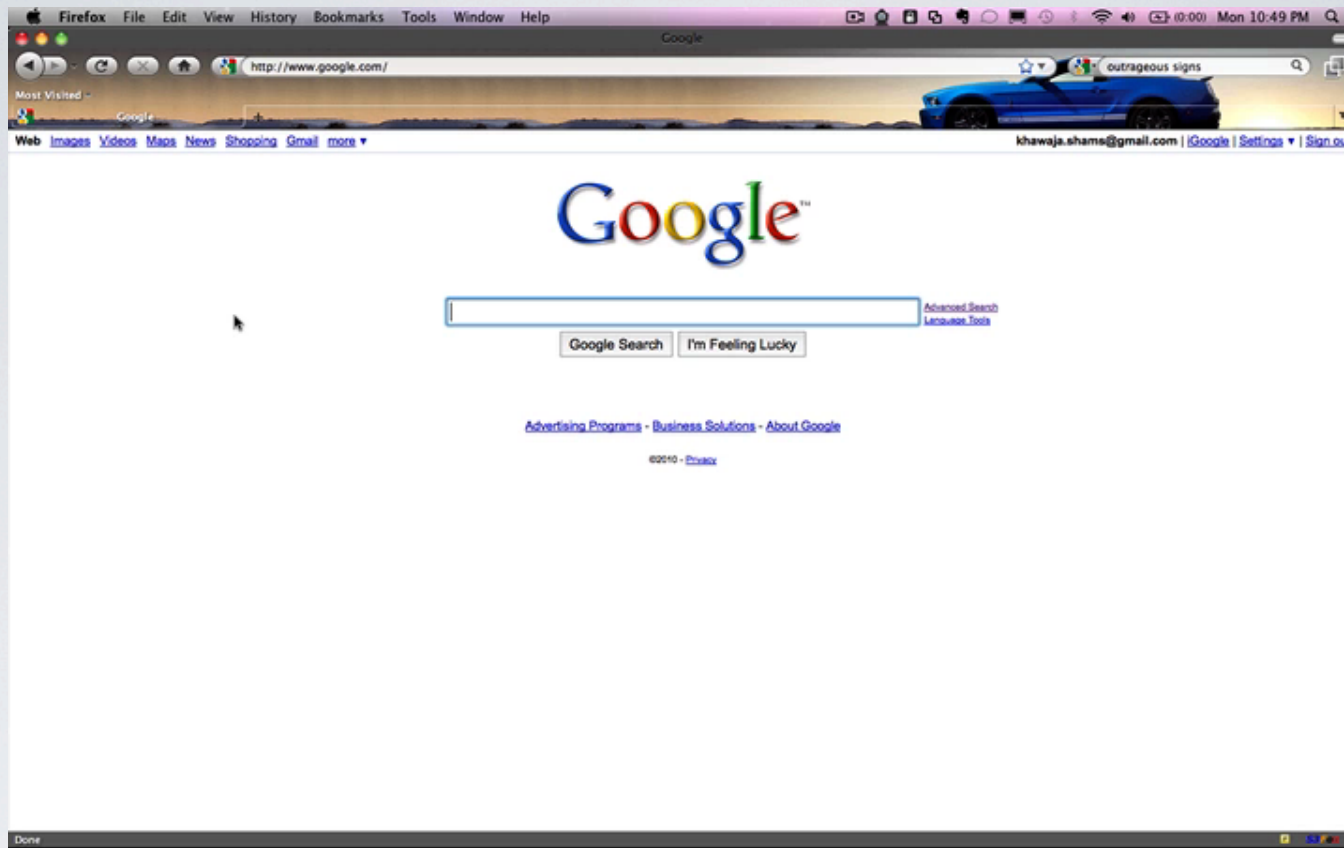
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Replace Every Procurement Screen with a Provisioning Screen.
Jim Rinaldi - CIO JPL

What Compute Capacity means to JPLers

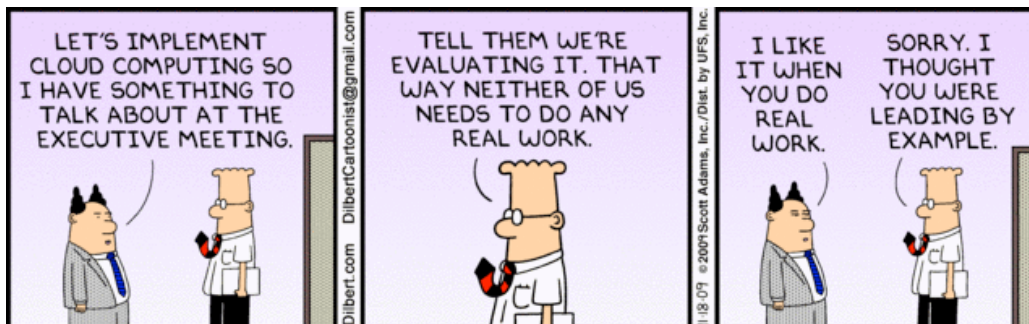




Here comes the rain...

JPL's approach to Cloud Computing

But how?



- **Focus on real business problems**
- Early hands-on prototypes of enabling capabilities in every promising cloud
- Avoid analysis paralysis, but be safe
- Educate, communicate, influence, elaborate
- **Keep it real**
- Pro-active partnering

Let's Move to the Cloud!



Contract Negotiations!



First to Sign!



Fostering the IT Consumers' Ingenuity



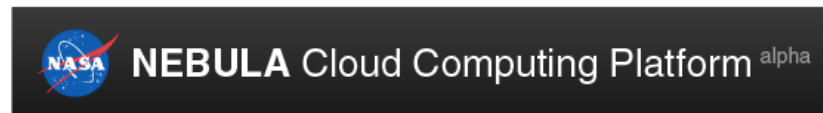
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Because One Just Isn't Enough

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IT → “Innovating Together”

JPL Partners



Google

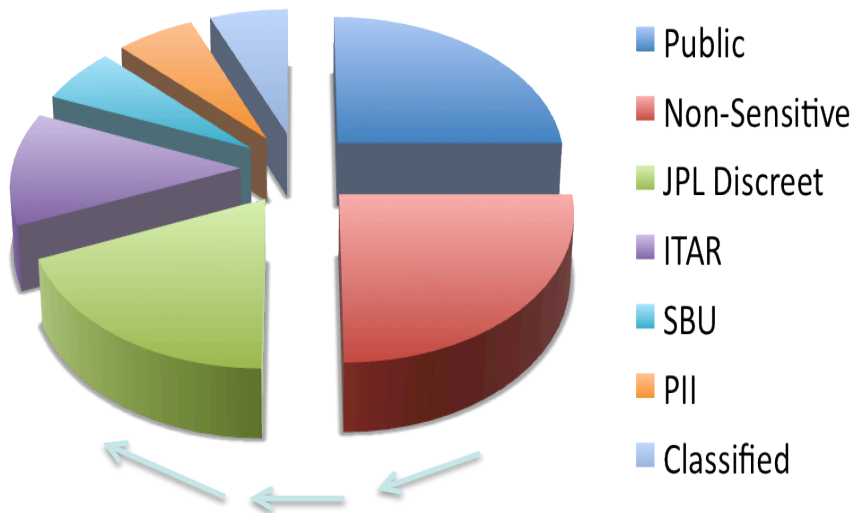


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Cloud Computing Concepts

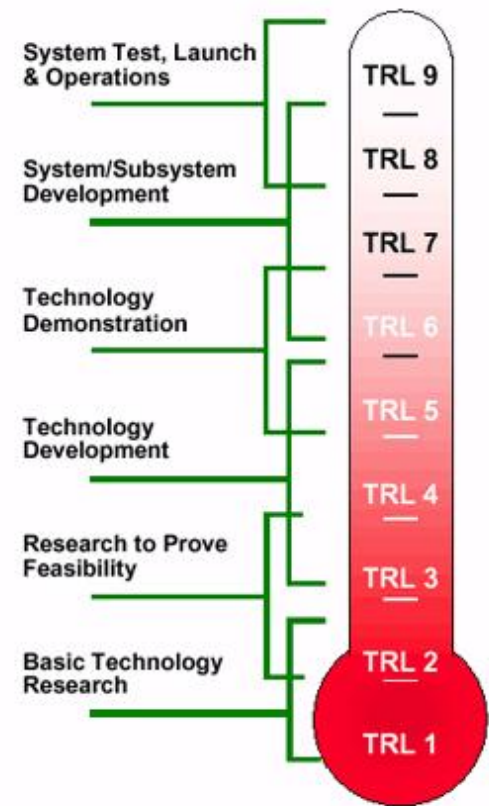
1. Cloud Application Suitability Model (CASM)

2. Wheel of Security



Public and Non-Sensitive data can be accessed in the Cloud today

3. Cloud Readiness Levels (CRL) (Institution, Apps, Dev)



NASA Technology Readiness Level

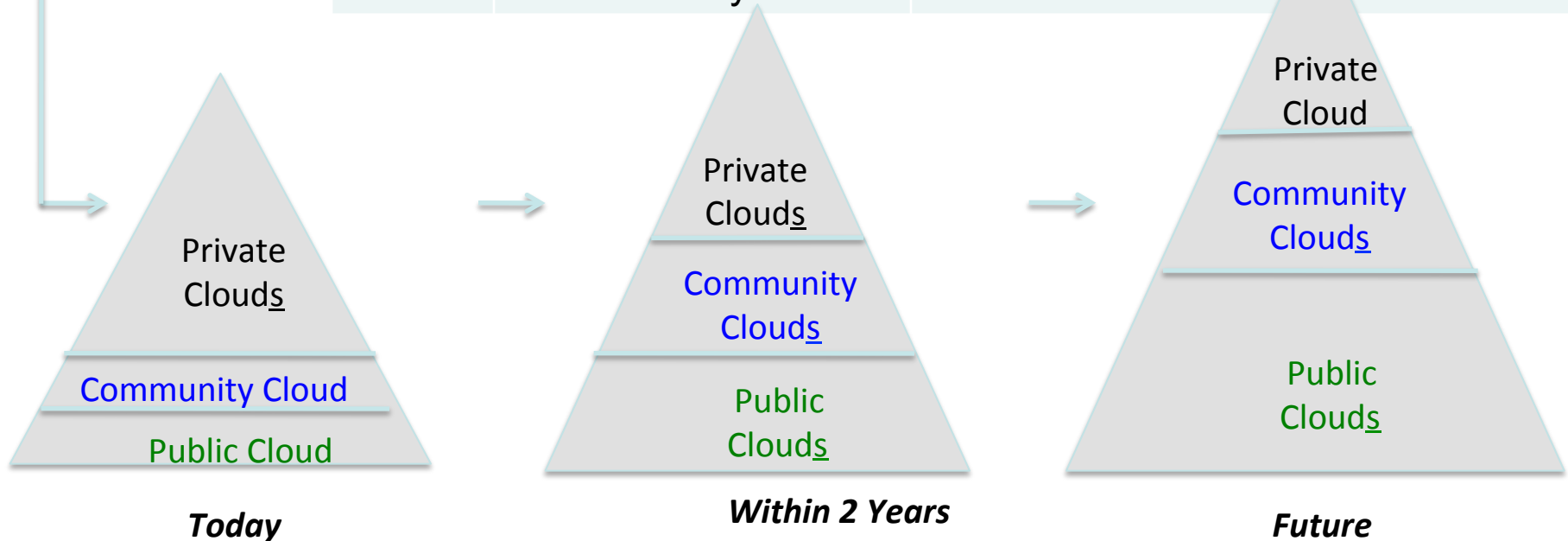
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4. Cloud Oriented Architecture (CIOA)

Cloud App Suitability Model determines application location

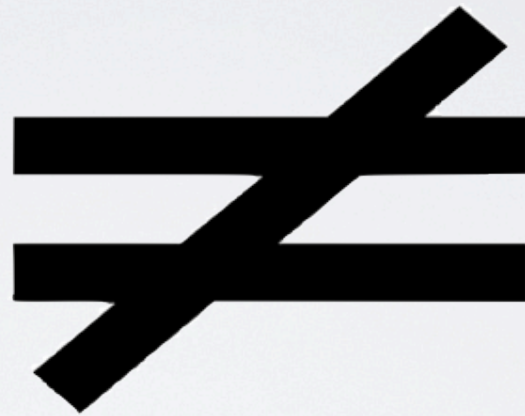
App Req' ts:
 Security, ITAR,
 app type,
 bandwidth,
 uptime, etc

Score	Cloud Type	Testing → Need for a “Cloud Broker”
76-100	Public	Recommends one of several
50-75	Community or Hybrid	Recommend one of several
0-49	Private or Hybrid	Recommendation



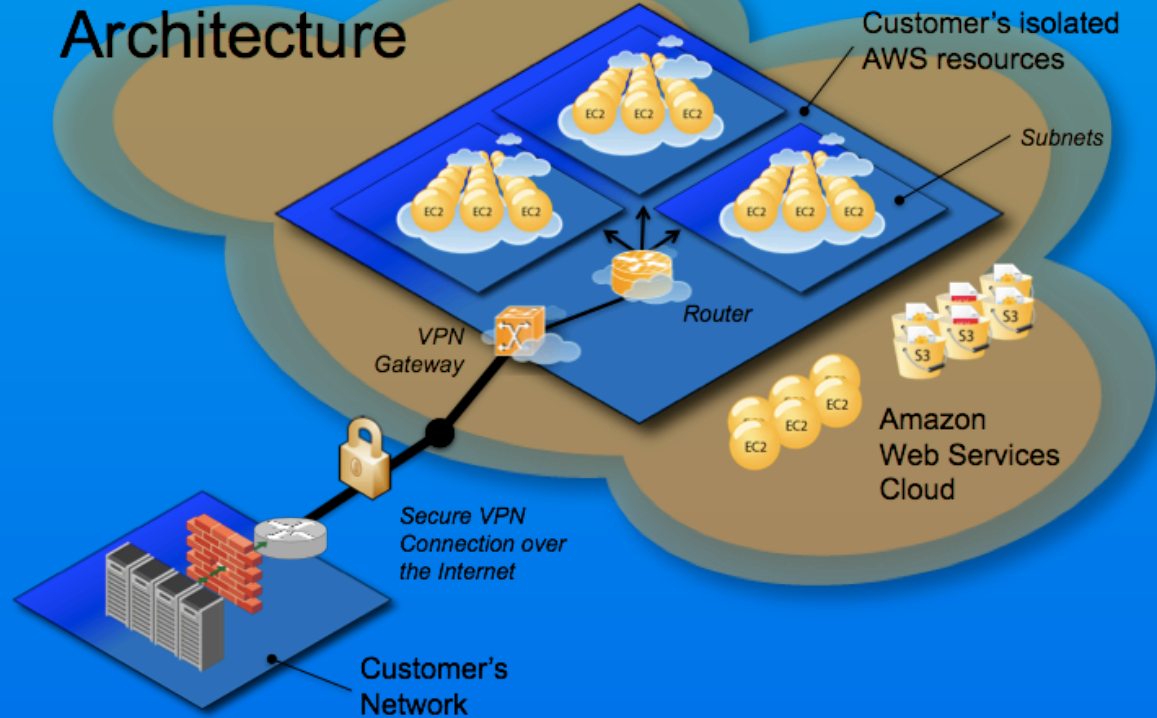
→ We'll become faster, cheaper, greener, more flexible, and a partner of choice

Data in Cloud



Public Data

Amazon VPC Architecture



Virtual Private Cloud

JPL Cloud Uses: Outreach for Citizen Scientists

BeaMartian.jpl.nasa.gov

Reaches MS Cloud developers / citizen scientists of all ages



JPL Cloud Uses: Crowd Sourcing for E4 Rover

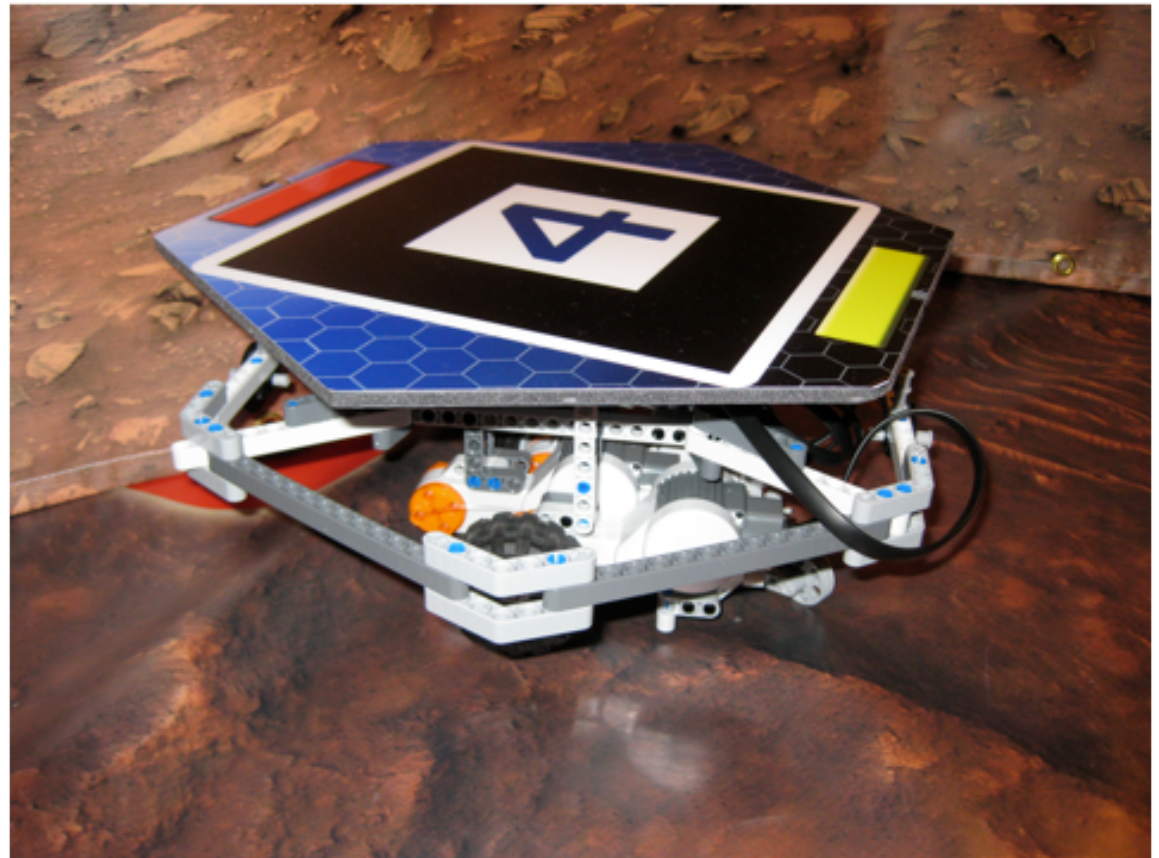
- At EclipseCon 2010, a competition to drive a “Mars rover”
- Innovative concepts. Great programs. Exciting and fun
- It was all in Amazon’s Cloud (no JPL computing resources)



Slashdot

Mashable

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Mars-2-Earth



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Mars-2-Earth



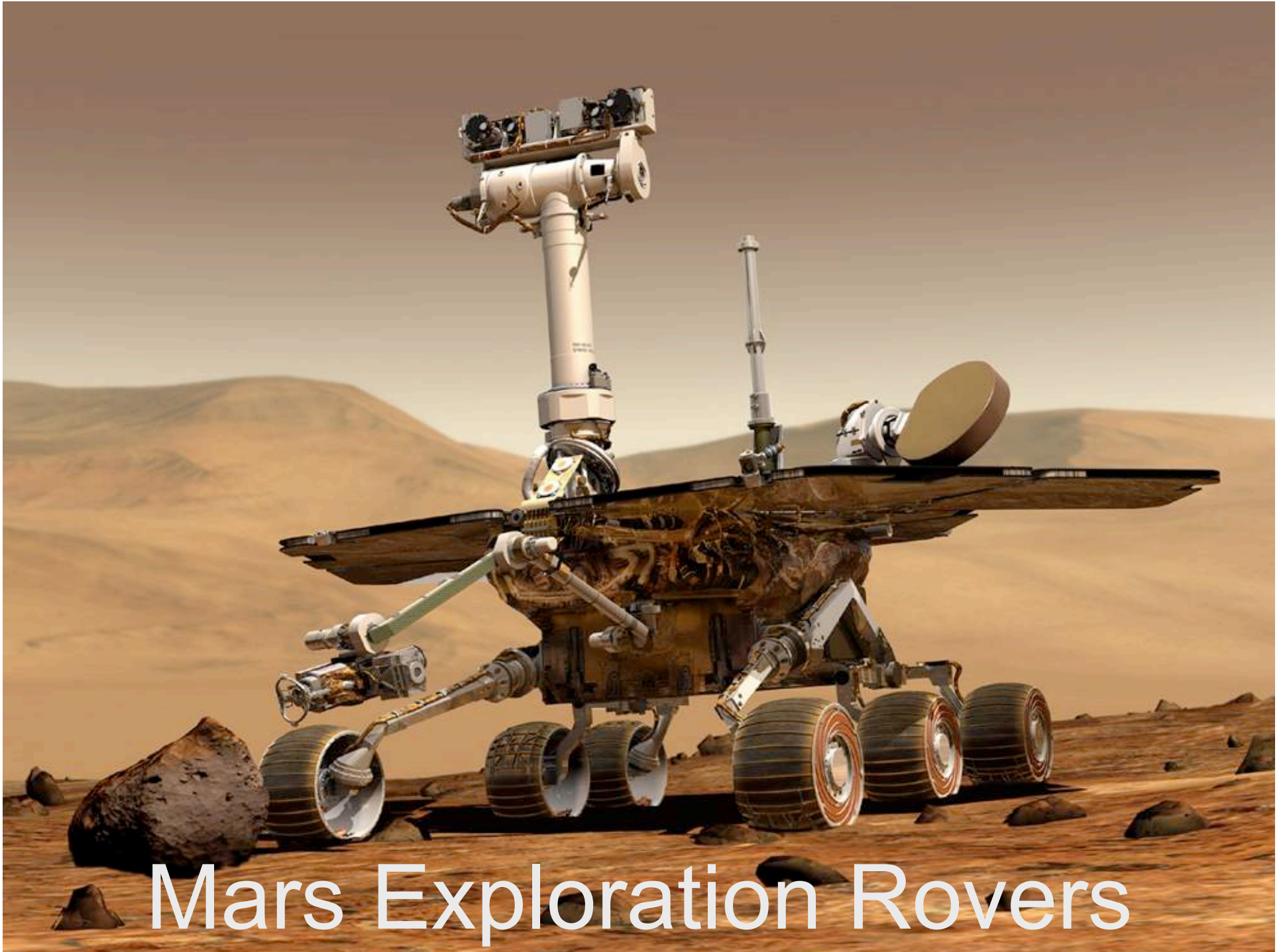
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JPL Cloud Uses: Amazon HPC usage for Athlete





Mars Exploration Rovers

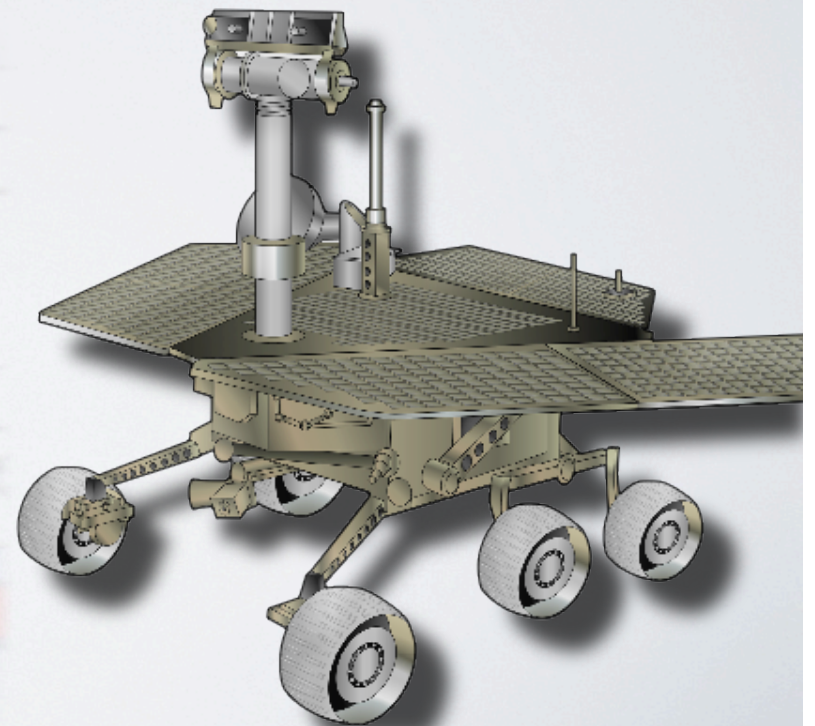
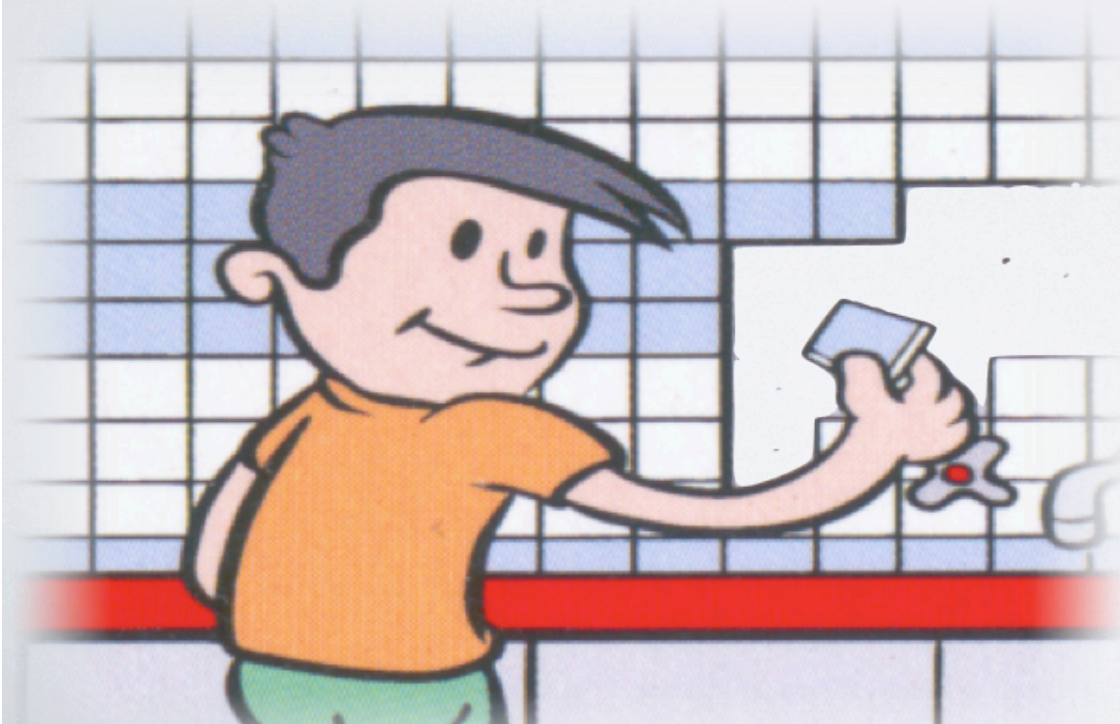
MER Image Processing

Embarrassingly parallel application

Process and deliver from Cloud

Streamlined image processing through Cloud Computing

Better situational awareness, better science, better safety



Maestro for MER

The screenshot displays the Maestro - Spirit software interface. The main window shows a 3D terrain map of Mars with several targets labeled: Pilot, Missile, Narwhale, Blue Whale, Chocrop, Breakers, Bowl, cereal, Grey, and Handback. The map is overlaid with a grid and a scale bar at the top. The interface includes a search bar, a list of results, and a detailed view of the selected target 'Pilot'.

Search Results:

- Front Hazcam+ Sol 944+ Site 128 / Position 0 Sequence Id: p1131
- Front Hazcam+ Sol 964+ Site 128 / Position 0 Sequence Id: p1219
- Front Hazcam+ Sol 1007+ Site 128 / Position 0 Sequence Id: p1110
- Front Hazcam+ Sol 1007+ Site 128 / Position 0 Sequence Id: p1110

Detail View: Pilot (Target)

Name: Pilot
Custodian: af
Feature: Laryx_Outcrop
Save Delete

Point

Pixel (x, y): (0.00, 0.00)
Frame: SITE
Distance: 2.71 m (from rover)
Normal: (-0.58, 0.48, -0.66) in SITE 110
Location: (9.23, 24.36, 0.39)
Azimuth: 70.25°
Elevation: -3.26°

Mosaic Left Cylindrical Associated Targets

POLYPHONY

Polyphony Architectural Diagram

IMAGE PROCESSING ON CLOUD

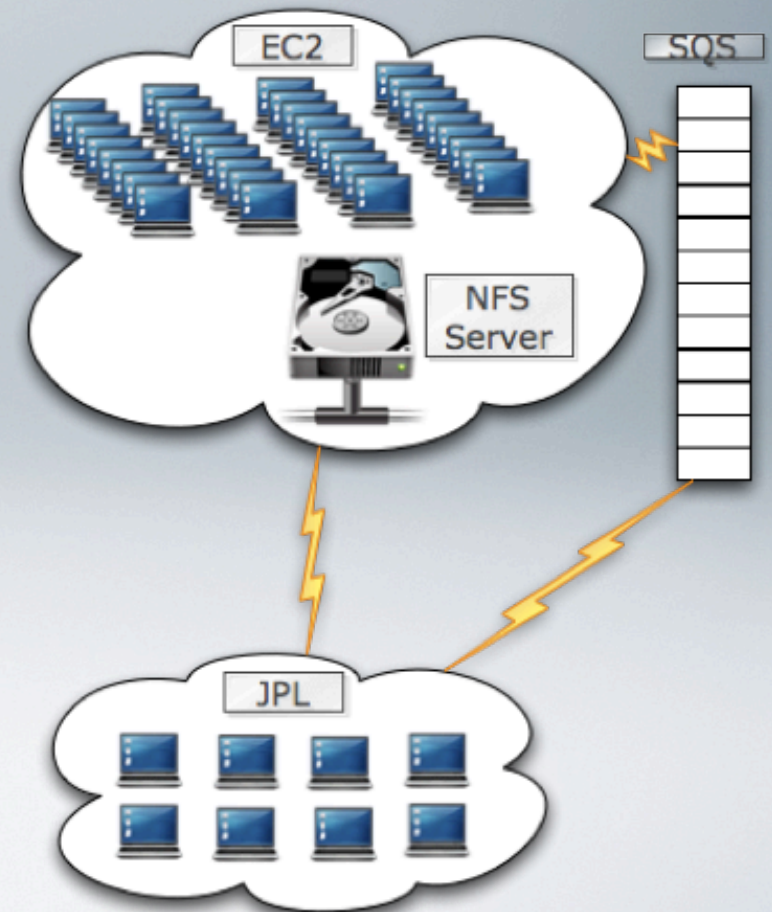
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Weeks



Days

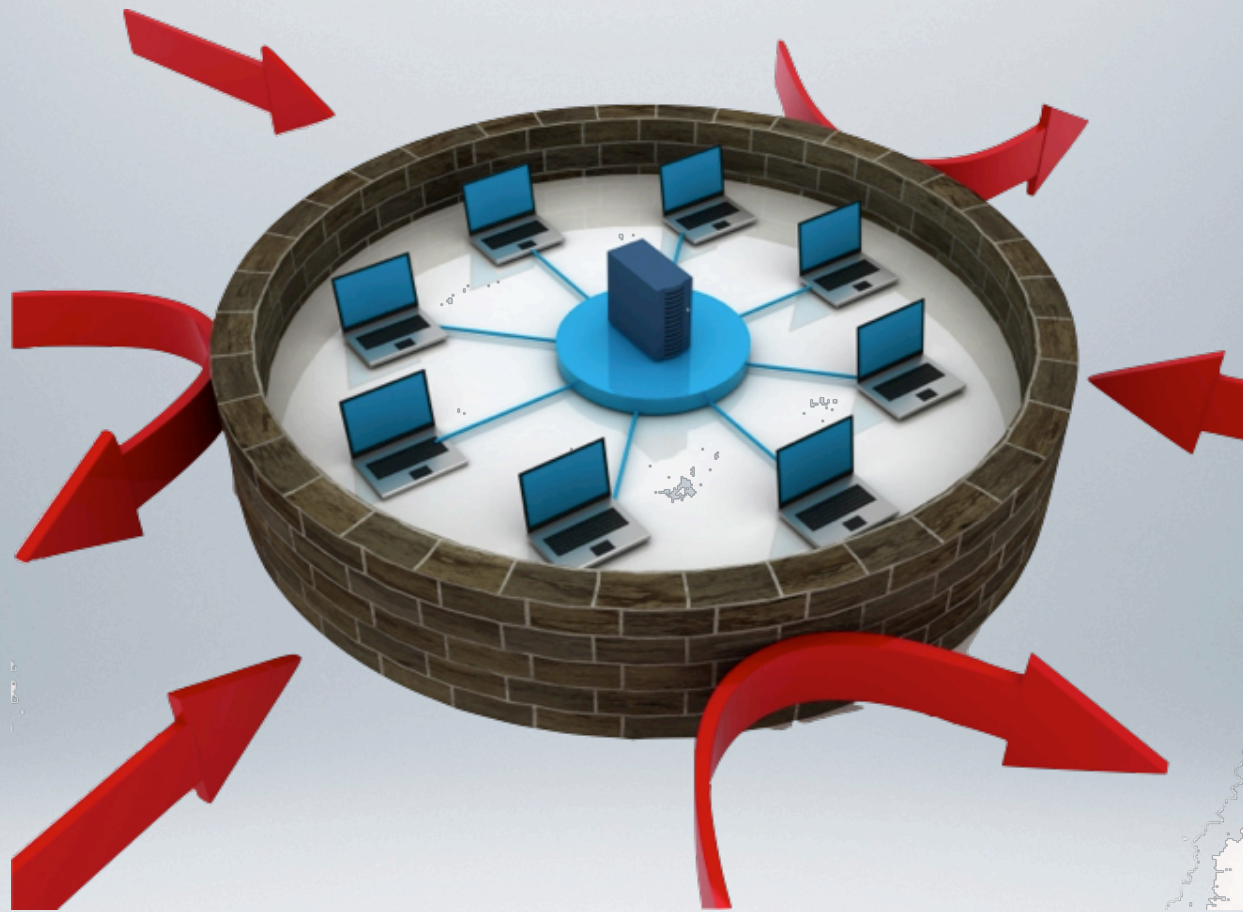


Physical Control



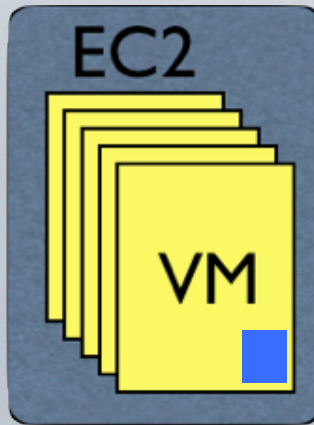
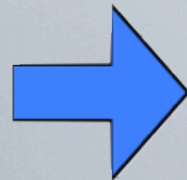
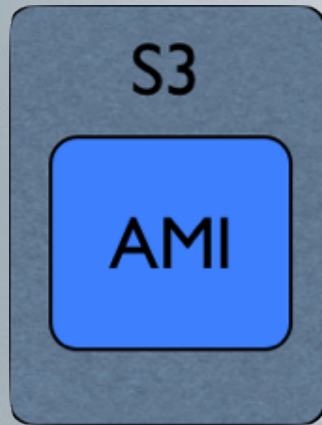
Who Do We Already Trust?





Can Clouds Be Safer?

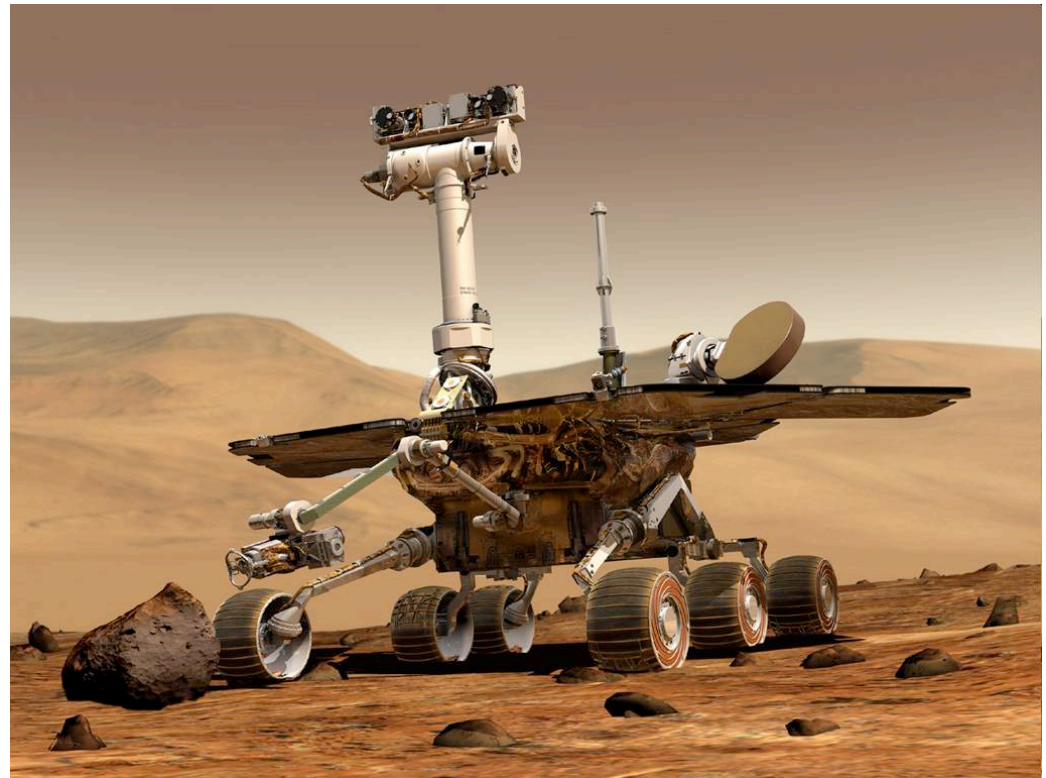
Security through Uniformity



JPL Cloud Uses: Observed Mission Benefits

A few examples of prototyped benefits so far:

- From weeks to hours to process Saturn images
- 15% more time for scientists world wide on Mars rovers
- From days to hours to model computations (e.g. DSN)
- Can reduce ops costs
- Can reduce risk
- Can speed experiments
- Augments JPL resources
- **Partnering pays off!**



JPL Cloud Strategy: What's next



→ Cloud is THE enabler... if we continue to Keep it Real

JPL Cloud Strategy: What's next for JPL and Clouds

- We transition from understanding the Cloud to working in the Cloud to partnering in the Cloud
- The Cloud enables everything ... if we let it (e.g. PC 3.0)
- Specialized Clouds become the Operating System
- JPL will advance the Cloud Readiness Levels (CRL) and Cloud Oriented Architecture (COA)
- Transition Cloud from Pilot to Operational mode
- Spin the Wheel of Security and evaluate more Use Cases
- Automate the Cloud Application Suitability Model (CASM)
- Continue to keep it real and benefit from employees' and partners' ingenious usage of Clouds

Take full advantage of the Pervasive Cloud

Can we live without making IT rain?



What can YOU do about Cloud computing?

- Get started now with low sensitivity data
- Focus on new capabilities
- Prototype under the radar screen
- Communicate it as a business initiative (ROA)
- Partner with everyone
- Use the 3-floor elevator test
- Create a cross-functional leadership team focused on the concept (legal, procurement, security, facilities, business leaders, IT)
- Expect license agreement to take time
- **Keep it real**

