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Apache Libcloud is a Python library which hides differences between different cloud provider APIs and allows you to manage different cloud resources through a unified and easy to use API.

Resource you can manage with Libcloud are divided in the following categories:

- *Cloud Servers and Block Storage* - services such as Amazon EC2 and RackSpace CloudServers
- *Cloud Object Storage and CDN* - services such as Amazon S3 and Rackspace CloudFiles
- *Load Balancers as a Service* - services such as Amazon Elastic Load Balancer and GoGrid LoadBalancers
- *DNS as a Service* - services such as Amazon Route 53 and Zerigo



Figure 1: A subset of supported providers in Libcloud.

1.1 Main

1.1.1 Getting Started

Installation (stable version)

Libcloud is available on PyPi. You can install latest stable version using pip:

```
pip install apache-libcloud
```

Installation (development version)

You can install latest development version from our Git repository:

```
pip install -e https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf/libcloud.git@trunk#egg=apache-libcloud
```

Upgrading

If you used pip to install the library you can also use it to upgrade it:

```
pip install --upgrade apache-libcloud
```

Using it

This section describes a standard work-flow which you follow when working with any of the Libcloud drivers.

1. Obtain reference to the provider driver

```
from pprint import pprint

from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)
```

2. Instantiate the driver with your provider credentials

```
driver = cls('my username', 'my api key')
```

Keep in mind that some drivers take additional arguments such as `region` and `api_version`.

For more information on which arguments you can pass to your provider driver, see provider-specific documentation and the driver docstrings.

3. Start using the driver

```
pprint(driver.list_sizes())
pprint(driver.list_nodes())
```

4. Putting it all together

```
from pprint import pprint

from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)
driver = cls('my username', 'my api key')

pprint(driver.list_sizes())
pprint(driver.list_nodes())
```

You can find more examples with common patterns which can help you get started on the [Compute Examples](#) page.

Where to go from here?

The best thing to do after understanding the basic driver work-flow is to visit the documentation chapter for the API you are interested in (*Compute*, *Object Storage*, *Load Balancer*, *DNS*). Chapter for each API explains some basic terminology and things you need to know to make an effective use of that API.

After you have a good grasp of those basic concepts, you are encouraged to check the driver specific documentation (if available) and usage examples. If the driver specific documentation for the provider you are interested in is not available yet, you are encouraged to check docstrings for that driver.

1.1.2 Supported Providers

This pages lists supported providers and methods for all the APIs.

Compute

Provider Matrix

Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module
Abiquo	Click	ABIQUO	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.ab</code>
Bluebox Blocks		BLUEBOX	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.bl</code>
Brightbox		BRIGHTBOX	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.br</code>
CloudFrames		CLOUDFRAMES	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.cl</code>
CloudSigma		CLOUDSIGMA	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.cl</code>
CloudSigma		CLOUDSIGMA_US	<code>libcloud.compute.drivers.cl</code>

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Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module
CloudStack	Click	CLOUDSTACK	libcloud.compute.drivers.cl
Digital Ocean		DIGITAL_OCEAN	libcloud.compute.drivers.di
Dreamhost		DREAMHOST	libcloud.compute.drivers.dr
Amazon EC2	Click	EC2	libcloud.compute.drivers.e
Amazon EC2 (ap-northeast-1)		EC2_AP_NORTHEAST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-1)		EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-2)		EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST2	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)		EC2_EU	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)		EC2_EU_WEST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (sa-east-1)		EC2_SA_EAST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2		EC2_US_EAST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (us-west-1)		EC2_US_WEST	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Amazon EC2 (us-west-2)		EC2_US_WEST_OREGON	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Enomaly Elastic Computing Platform		ECP	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
ElasticHosts		ELASTICHOSTS	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (syd-y)		ELASTICHOSTS_AU1	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (tor-p)		ELASTICHOSTS_CA1	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (cn-1)		ELASTICHOSTS_CN1	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (lon-p)		ELASTICHOSTS_UK1	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (lon-b)		ELASTICHOSTS_UK2	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (sat-p)		ELASTICHOSTS_US1	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (lax-p)		ELASTICHOSTS_US2	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
ElasticHosts (sjc-c)		ELASTICHOSTS_US3	libcloud.compute.drivers.el
Eucalyptus		EUCALYPTUS	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Exoscale	Click	EXOSCALE	libcloud.compute.drivers.ex
Gandi		GANDI	libcloud.compute.drivers.ga
Google Compute Engine	Click	GCE	libcloud.compute.drivers.gc
GoGrid		GOGRID	libcloud.compute.drivers.go
HostVirtual		HOSTVIRTUAL	libcloud.compute.drivers.ho
IBM SmartCloud Enterprise		IBM	libcloud.compute.drivers.ib
Ikoula	Click	IKOULA	libcloud.compute.drivers.ik
Joyent		JOYENT	libcloud.compute.drivers.jo
KTUCloud		KTUCLLOUD	libcloud.compute.drivers.kt
Libvirt	Click	LIBVIRT	libcloud.compute.drivers.li
Linode		LINODE	libcloud.compute.drivers.li
NephoScale		NEPHOSCALE	libcloud.compute.drivers.ne
Nimbus	Click	NIMBUS	libcloud.compute.drivers.ec
Ninefold		NINEFOLD	libcloud.compute.drivers.ni
OpenNebula		OPENNEBULA	libcloud.compute.drivers.op
OpenStack	Click	OPENSTACK	libcloud.compute.drivers.op
Opsource		OPSOURCE	libcloud.compute.drivers.op
Rackspace Cloud (Next Gen)	Click	RACKSPACE	libcloud.compute.drivers.ra
Rackspace Cloud (First Gen)		RACKSPACE_FIRST_GEN	libcloud.compute.drivers.ra
RimuHosting		RIMUHOSTING	libcloud.compute.drivers.ri
ServerLove		SERVERLOVE	libcloud.compute.drivers.se
skalicloud		SKALICLOUD	libcloud.compute.drivers.sk
SoftLayer		SOFTLAYER	libcloud.compute.drivers.so
vCloud		TERREMARK	libcloud.compute.drivers.vc
VCL		VCL	libcloud.compute.drivers.vc
vCloud	Click	VCLOUD	libcloud.compute.drivers.vc
Voxel VoxCLOUD		VOXEL	libcloud.compute.drivers.vo

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Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module
vps.net		VPSNET	libcloud.compute.drivers.vps

Supported Methods (Base compute)

Provider	list nodes	create node	reboot node	destroy node	list images	list sizes
Abiquo	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Bluebox Blocks	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Brightbox	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
CloudFrames	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudSigma	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudSigma	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudStack	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Digital Ocean	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Dreamhost	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-northeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (sa-east-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (us-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (us-west-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Enomaly Elastic Computing Platform	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (syd-y)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (tor-p)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (cn-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (lon-p)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (lon-b)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (sat-p)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (lax-p)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ElasticHosts (sjc-c)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Eucalyptus	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Exoscale	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gandi	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Google Compute Engine	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
GoGrid	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
HostVirtual	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
IBM SmartCloud Enterprise	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ikoula	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Joyent	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
KTUCloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Libvirt	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no
Linode	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
NephoScale	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Nimbus	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ninefold	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
OpenNebula	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes

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Provider	list nodes	create node	reboot node	destroy node	list images	list sizes
OpenStack	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Opsource	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace Cloud (Next Gen)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace Cloud (First Gen)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
RimuHosting	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ServerLove	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
skalicloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
SoftLayer	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
vCloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
VCL	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
vCloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Voxel VoxCLOUD	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
vps.net	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Supported Methods (Block Storage)

Provider	list volumes	create volume	destroy volume	attach volume	detach volume
Abiquo	no	no	no	no	no
Bluebox Blocks	no	no	no	no	no
Brightbox	no	no	no	no	no
CloudFrames	no	no	no	no	no
CloudSigma	no	no	no	no	no
CloudSigma	no	no	no	no	no
CloudStack	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Digital Ocean	no	no	no	no	no
Dreamhost	no	no	no	no	no
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-northeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (sa-east-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (us-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon EC2 (us-west-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Enomaly Elastic Computing Platform	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (syd-y)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (tor-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (cn-1)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lon-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lon-b)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (sat-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lax-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (sjc-c)	no	no	no	no	no
Eucalyptus	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Exoscale	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gandi	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Google Compute Engine	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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Provider	list volumes	create volume	destroy volume	attach volume	detach volume
GoGrid	no	no	no	no	no
HostVirtual	no	no	no	no	no
IBM SmartCloud Enterprise	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ikoula	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Joyent	no	no	no	no	no
KTUCloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Libvirt	no	no	no	no	no
Linode	no	no	no	no	no
NephoScale	no	no	no	no	no
Nimbus	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ninefold	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
OpenNebula	no	no	no	no	no
OpenStack	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Opsource	no	no	no	no	no
Rackspace Cloud (Next Gen)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace Cloud (First Gen)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
RimuHosting	no	no	no	no	no
ServerLove	no	no	no	no	no
skalicloud	no	no	no	no	no
SoftLayer	no	no	no	no	no
vCloud	no	no	no	no	no
VCL	no	no	no	no	no
vCloud	no	no	no	no	no
Voxel VoxCLOUD	no	no	no	no	no
vps.net	no	no	no	no	no

Supported Methods (Key pair management)

Provider	list key pairs	get key pair	create key pair	import public key from string	imp
Abiquo	no	no	no	no	no
Bluebox Blocks	no	no	no	no	no
Brightbox	no	no	no	no	no
CloudFrames	no	no	no	no	no
CloudSigma	no	no	no	no	no
CloudSigma	no	no	no	no	no
CloudStack	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Digital Ocean	no	no	no	no	no
Dreamhost	no	no	no	no	no
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (ap-northeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (ap-southeast-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (sa-east-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (us-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon EC2 (us-west-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Enomaly Elastic Computing Platform	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts	no	no	no	no	no

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Provider	list key pairs	get key pair	create key pair	import public key from string	imp
ElasticHosts (syd-y)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (tor-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (cn-1)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lon-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lon-b)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (sat-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (lax-p)	no	no	no	no	no
ElasticHosts (sjc-c)	no	no	no	no	no
Eucalyptus	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Exoscale	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Gandi	no	no	no	no	no
Google Compute Engine	no	no	no	no	no
GoGrid	no	no	no	no	no
HostVirtual	no	no	no	no	no
IBM SmartCloud Enterprise	no	no	no	no	no
Ikoula	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Joyent	no	no	no	no	no
KTUCloud	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Libvirt	no	no	no	no	no
Linode	no	no	no	no	no
NephoScale	no	no	no	no	no
Nimbus	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Ninefold	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
OpenNebula	no	no	no	no	no
OpenStack	no	no	no	no	no
Opsource	no	no	no	no	no
Rackspace Cloud (Next Gen)	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Rackspace Cloud (First Gen)	no	no	no	no	no
RimuHosting	no	no	no	no	no
ServerLove	no	no	no	no	no
skalicloud	no	no	no	no	no
SoftLayer	no	no	no	no	no
vCloud	no	no	no	no	no
VCL	no	no	no	no	no
vCloud	no	no	no	no	no
Voxel VoxCLOUD	no	no	no	no	no
vps.net	no	no	no	no	no

Load Balancer

Provider Matrix

Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module	Class Name
Brightbox	Click	BRIGHTBOX	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	BrightboxLBDriver
CloudStack		CLOUDSTACK	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	CloudStackLBDriver
Amazon Elastic Load Balancing		ELB	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	ElasticLBDriver
Google Compute Engine Load Balancer		GCE	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	GCELBDriver
GoGrid LB		GOGRID	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	GoGridLBDriver
Ninefold LB		NINEFOLD	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	NinefoldLBDriver
Rackspace LB		RACKSPACE	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	RackspaceLBDriver
Rackspace LB		RACKSPACE_UK	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	RackspaceUKLBDriver
Rackspace LB		RACKSPACE_US	libcloud.loadbalancer.driver	RackspaceLBDriver

Supported Methods

Provider	create balancer	list balancers	list members	attach member	detach member	attach compute node
Brightbox	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudStack	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Amazon Elastic Load Balancing	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Google Compute Engine Load Balancer	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
GoGrid LB	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Ninefold LB	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Rackspace LB	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Rackspace LB	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Rackspace LB	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no

Object Storage

Provider Matrix

Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module	Class Name
Microsoft Azure (blobs)		AZURE_BLOBS	libcloud.storage.drivers.	AzureBlobsStorageDriver
CloudFiles		CLOUDFILES	libcloud.storage.drivers.	CloudFilesStorageDriver
CloudFiles (UK)		CLOUDFILES_UK	libcloud.storage.drivers.	CloudFilesUKStorageDriver
CloudFiles (US)		CLOUDFILES_US	libcloud.storage.drivers.	CloudFilesUSStorageDriver
Google Storage	Click	GOOGLE_STORAGE	libcloud.storage.drivers.	GoogleStorageDriver
KTUCloud		KTU_CLOUD	libcloud.storage.drivers.	KTUCloudStorageDriver
Storage				
Nimbus.io		NIMBUS	libcloud.storage.drivers.	NimbusStorageDriver
Ninefold		NINEFOLD	libcloud.storage.drivers.	NinefoldStorageDriver
OpenStack Swift	Click	OPENSTACK_SWIFT	libcloud.storage.drivers.	OpenStackSwiftStorageDriver
Amazon S3 (standard)	Click	S3	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3StorageDriver
Amazon S3 (ap-northeast-1)		S3_AP_NORTHEAST	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3APNEStorageDriver
Amazon S3 (ap-southeast-1)		S3_AP_SOUTHEAST	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3APSEStorageDriver
Amazon S3 (eu-west-1)		S3_EU_WEST	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3EUWestStorageDriver
Amazon S3 (us-west-1)		S3_US_WEST	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3USWestStorageDriver
Amazon S3 (us-west-2)		S3_US_WEST_OREGON	libcloud.storage.drivers.	S3USWestOregonStorageDriver

Supported Methods (Main)

Provider	list containers	list objects	create container	delete container	upload object	streaming object upload	download object	streaming object download	delete object
Microsoft Azure (blobs)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudFiles	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudFiles (UK)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
CloudFiles (US)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Google Storage	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
KTUCloud Storage	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Nimbus.io	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Ninefold	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
OpenStack Swift	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (standard)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (ap-northeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (ap-southeast-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (eu-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (us-west-1)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (us-west-2)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Supported Methods (CDN)

Provider	enable container cdn	enable object cdn	get container cdn URL	get object cdn URL
Microsoft Azure (blobs)	no	no	no	no
CloudFiles	yes	no	yes	yes
CloudFiles (UK)	yes	no	yes	yes
CloudFiles (US)	yes	no	yes	yes
Google Storage	no	no	no	no
KTUCloud Storage	yes	no	yes	yes
Nimbus.io	no	no	no	no
Ninefold	no	yes	no	yes
OpenStack Swift	yes	no	yes	yes
Amazon S3 (standard)	no	no	no	no
Amazon S3 (ap-northeast-1)	no	no	no	no
Amazon S3 (ap-southeast-1)	no	no	no	no
Amazon S3 (eu-west-1)	no	no	no	no
Amazon S3 (us-west-1)	no	no	no	no
Amazon S3 (us-west-2)	no	no	no	no

DNS

Provider Matrix

Provider	Documentation	Provider constant	Module	Class Name
Gandi DNS	Click	GANDI	libcloud.dns.drivers.gandi	GandiDNSDriver
Host Virtual DNS		HOSTVIRTUAL	libcloud.dns.drivers.hostvirtual	HostVirtualDNSDriver
Linode DNS		LINODE	libcloud.dns.drivers.linode	LinodeDNSDriver
Rackspace DNS		RACKSPACE	libcloud.dns.drivers.rackspace	RackspaceDNSDriver
Rackspace DNS (UK)		RACKSPACE_UK	libcloud.dns.drivers.rackspace	RackspaceUKDNSDriver
Rackspace DNS (US)		RACKSPACE_US	libcloud.dns.drivers.rackspace	RackspaceUSDNSDriver
Route53 DNS		ROUTE53	libcloud.dns.drivers.route53	Route53DNSDriver
Zerigo DNS		ZERIGO	libcloud.dns.drivers.zerigo	ZerigoDNSDriver

Supported Methods

Provider	list zones	list records	create zone	update zone	create record	update record	delete zone	delete record
Gandi DNS	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Host Virtual DNS	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Linode DNS	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace DNS	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace DNS (UK)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rackspace DNS (US)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Route53 DNS	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Zerigo DNS	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

1.1.3 Compute

The compute component of `libcloud` allows you to manage cloud and virtual servers offered by different providers, more than 20 in total.

In addition to managing the servers this component also allows you to run deployment scripts on newly created servers. Deployment or “bootstrap” scripts allow you to execute arbitrary shell commands. This functionality is usually used to prepare your freshly created server, install your SSH key, and run a configuration management tool (such as Puppet, Chef, or cfengine) on it.

Besides managing cloud and virtual servers, compute component also allows you to manage cloud block storage (not to be confused with cloud object storage) for providers which support it. Block storage management is lives under compute API, because it is in most cases tightly coupled with compute resources.

Terminology

Compute

- `Node` - represents a cloud or virtual server.
- `NodeSize` - represents node hardware configuration. Usually this is amount of the available RAM, bandwidth, CPU speed and disk size. Most of the drivers also expose an hourly price (in dollars) for the Node of this size.
- `NodeImage` - represents an operating system image.
- `NodeLocation` - represents a physical location where a server can be.
- `NodeState` - represents a node state. Standard states are: `running`, `stopped`, `rebooting`, `terminated`, `pending`, and `unknown`.

Key Pair Management

- `KeyPair` - represents an SSH key pair object.

Block Storage

- `StorageVolume` - represents a block storage volume
- `VolumeSnapshot` - represents a point in time snapshot of a `StorageVolume`

Supported Providers

For a list of supported providers see `supported providers` page.

Pricing

For majority of the compute providers Libcloud provides estimated pricing information which tells users how much it costs per hour to run a `Node` with a specific `NodeSize`.

For more information, please see the `pricing` page.

Deployment

Libcloud provides deployment functionality which makes bootstrapping a server easier. It allows you to create a server and run shell commands on it once the server has been created.

For more information and examples, please see the `deployment` page.

SSH key pair management

Compute API also allows you to manage your SSH key pairs.

For more information and examples, please see the `key pair management` page.

Examples

We have `examples` of several common patterns.

API Reference

For a full reference of all the classes and methods exposed by the compute API, see `this` page.

1.1.4 Object Storage

Note: Object Storage API is available in Libcloud 0.5.0 and higher.

Storage API allows you to manage cloud object storage (not to be confused with cloud block storage) and services such as Amazon S3, Rackspace CloudFiles, Google Storage and others.

Besides managing cloud object storage, storage component also exposes simple CDN management functionality.

Terminology

- `Container` - represents a container which can contain multiple objects. You can think of it as a folder on a file system. Difference between container and a folder on file system is that containers cannot be nested. Some APIs and providers (e.g. AWS) refer to it as a Bucket.
- `Object` - represents an object or so called BLOB.

Supported Providers

For a list of supported providers see `supported providers` page.

Examples

We have examples of several common patterns.

API Reference

For a full reference of all the classes and methods exposed by the storage API, see `this` page.

1.1.5 Load Balancer

Note: Load Balancer API is available in Libcloud 0.5.0 and higher.

Load Balancer API allows you to manage Load Balancers as a service and services such as Rackspace Cloud Load Balancers, GoGrid Load Balancers and Ninefold Load Balancers.

Terminology

- `LoadBalancer` - represents a load balancer instance.
- `Member` - represents a load balancer member.
- `Algorithm` - represents a load balancing algorithm (round-robin, random, least connections, etc.).

Supported Providers

For a list of supported providers see `supported providers` page.

Examples

We have examples of several common patterns.

API Reference

For a full reference of all the classes and methods exposed by the loadbalancer API, see `this` page.

1.1.6 DNS

Note: DNS API is available in Libcloud 0.6.0 and higher.

DNS API allows you to manage DNS as A Service and services such as Zerigo DNS, Rackspace Cloud DNS and others.

Terminology

- **Zone** - Represents a DNS zone or so called domain.
- **Record** - Represents a DNS record. Each record belongs to a Zone and has a `type` and `data` attribute. Value of the `data` attribute depends on the record type. Some record types also require user to associate additional attributes with them. Those additional attributes are stored in the `extra` attribute (dictionary) on the record object. An example include `MX` and `SRV` record type which also contains a priority.
- **RecordType** - Represents a DNS record type (`A`, `AAAA`, `MX`, `TXT`, `SRV`, `PTR`, `NS`, etc.)
- **Zone Type** - Each zone has a `type` attribute. This attribute represents a zone type. Type can either be `master` (also called primary) or `slave` (also called secondary).

Supported Providers

For a list of supported providers see `supported providers` page.

Examples

We have examples of several common patterns.

API Reference

For a full reference of all the classes and methods exposed by the DNS API, see `this` page.

1.1.7 Troubleshooting

This page contains various tips which can help you troubleshoot and debug code with interfaces with libcloud.

Debugging

Note: If you are sharing debug output on any public medium such as our IRC channel or an issue tracker using Pastebin, Github Gists or a similar service, make sure to remove your credentials and any other data you consider private from the output.

Libcloud has a special debug mode which when enabled, logs all the outgoing HTTP requests and all the incoming HTTP responses. Output also includes `cURL` commands which can be used to re-produce the requests.

When this mode is enabled and `paramiko` library is installed (used for deployment), `paramiko` library log level is set to `DEBUG` which helps with debugging the deployment related issues.

To make the debugging easier, Libcloud will also automatically decompress the response body (if compressed) before logging it.

To enable it, set `LIBCLOUD_DEBUG` environment variable and make it point to a file where the debug output should be saved.

For example if you want the output to be logged to the standard error (on Linux) you can set it to `/dev/stderr`:

```
LIBCLOUD_DEBUG=/dev/stderr python my_script.py
```

Example output:

```
# ----- begin 4431824872 request -----
curl -i -X GET -H 'Host: s3.amazonaws.com' -H 'X-LC-Request-ID: 4431824872' -H 'Content-Length: 0' -H
# ----- begin 4431824872:4431825232 response -----
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
X-Amz-Id-2: 1234
Server: AmazonS3
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
X-Amz-Request-Id: FFFFFFFFFF
Date: Tue, 01 Nov 2011 22:29:11 GMT
Content-Type: application/xml

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<ListAllMyBucketsResult xmlns="http://s3.amazonaws.com/doc/2006-03-01/"><Owner><ID>sada8932dsa8d30i<
0
# ----- end 4431824872:4431825232 response -----
```

1.1.8 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Why are the block storage related management methods located in the compute API?

Block storage related management methods are located in the compute API because in most cases block storage API is tightly coupled with the compute API meaning that you can't manage block storage independent of the compute API.

This also makes sense because in most cases you are only interested in attaching or detaching volumes from and to the compute nodes.

What are the extension methods and arguments?

Libcloud acts as a lowest common denominator and exposes a unified base API which allows you to work with many different cloud providers through a single code base.

Being a lowest common denominator by definition means that not all of the functionality offered by different cloud service providers is available through a base API.

Libcloud solves this problem and allows user to access provider specific functionality through a so called extension methods and arguments. Extension methods and arguments are all the methods and arguments which are prefixed with `ex_`.

Extension methods are there for your convenience, but you should be careful when you use them because they make switching or working with multiple providers harder.

How do I test if provider credentials are valid?

Libcloud makes the whole authentication process transparent to the user. As such, the easiest way to check if provider credentials are valid is by instantiating a driver and calling a method which results in an HTTP call.

If the credentials are valid, method will return a result, otherwise `libcloud.common.types.InvalidCredsError` exception will be thrown.

An example of such method is `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.list_nodes()`. Keep in mind that depending on the account state, `list_nodes` method might return a lot of data.

If you want to avoid unnecessarily fetching a lot of data, you should find a method specific to your provider which issues a request which results in small amount of data being retrieved.

I want to add a new provider driver what should I do?

For now the best thing to do is to look at an existing driver and test cases for examples.

Libcloud currently supports more than 25 different providers. This means we have a broad range of examples of different APIs and authentication methods. APIs range from simple JSON based REST APIs to SOAP APIs. Authentication methods range from simple shared token and digest auth to HMAC signed requests.

I want to add / propose a new API, what should I do?

We are always open to accepting a new top level API as long as it matches the following criteria:

1. API must be indented to manage an online infrastructure oriented Cloud service
2. Similar service is offered by multiple providers
3. It's possible to build a common API on top of services provided by different services

Libcloud can be used with many different providers and acts as a lowest common denominator which makes the last point most important one. Sometimes it doesn't make sense to build a common Libcloud API even if multiple providers offer a similar service. Usually the case is that the APIs are vastly different and there aren't enough common points which would allow us to build a cross-provider API which would still provide enough value to the end user.

If the API matches the criteria defined above, you should send a proposal to our [mailing list](#) where we can discuss it further. Ideally, the proposal should also contain a prototype of a driver for at least two different providers. This helps us make sure that the API you have designed is not biased towards a single provider.

1.1.9 Registering a third party driver

Driver is considered third party if it's not bundled with a Libcloud release.

To register a third party driver you should use `provider.set_driver()` function from the corresponding component.

`set_driver()` takes the following arguments:

```
set_driver('provider_name', 'path.to.the.module', 'DriverClass')
```

Keep in mind that the `provider_name` needs to be unique and this function needs to be called before using a third party driver.

For example:

```
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver
from libcloud.compute.providers import set_driver

set_driver('stratuslab',
           'stratuslab.libcloud.stratuslab_driver',
           'StratusLabNodeDriver')

# Your code which uses the driver.
# For example:
driver = get_driver('stratuslab')
```

An example of an existing third party driver can be found at <https://github.com/StratusLab/libcloud-drivers>

1.1.10 SSL Certificate Validation

When establishing a secure connection to a cloud provider endpoint, Libcloud verifies server SSL certificate. By default, Libcloud searches paths listed in `libcloud.security.CA_CERTS_PATH` variable for the CA certificate files.

`CA_CERTS_PATH` contains common paths to CA bundle installations on the following platforms:

- `openssl` package on CentOS / Fedora
- `ca-certificates` package on Debian / Ubuntu / Arch / Gentoo
- `ca_root_nss` port on FreeBSD
- `curl-ca-bundle` port on Mac OS X

If no valid CA certificate files are found, you will see an error message similar to the one bellow:

```
No CA Certificates were found in CA_CERTS_PATH.
```

Acquiring CA Certificates

If the above packages are unavailable to you, and you don't wish to roll your own, the makers of cURL provides an excellent resource, generated from Mozilla: <http://curl.haxx.se/docs/caextract.html>.

Using a custom CA certificate

If you want to use a custom CA certificate file for validating the server certificate, you can do that using two different approaches:

1. Setting `SSL_CERT_FILE` environment variable to point to your CA file

```
SSL_CERT_FILE=/home/user/path-to-your-ca-file.crt python my_script.py
```

2. Setting `libcloud.security.CA_CERTS_PATH` variable in your script to point to your CA file

```
import libcloud.security
libcloud.security.CA_CERTS_PATH = ['/home/user/path-to-your-ca-file.crt']
```

```
# Instantiate and work with the driver here...
```

Adding additional CA certificate to the path

If you want to add an additional CA certificate to the `CA_CERTS_PATH`, you can do this by appending a path to your CA file to the `libcloud.security.CA_CERTS_PATH` list.

For example:

```
import libcloud.security
libcloud.security.CA_CERTS_PATH.append('/home/user/path-to-your-ca-file.crt')

# Instantiate and work with the driver here...
```

Disabling SSL certificate validation

Note: Disabling SSL certificate validations makes you vulnerable to MITM attacks so you are strongly discouraged from doing that. You should only disable it if you are aware of the consequences and you know what you are doing.

To disable SSL certificate validation, set `libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT` variable to `False` at the top of your script, before instantiating a driver and interacting with other Libcloud code.

For example:

```
import libcloud.security
libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT = True

# Instantiate and work with the driver here...
```

1.1.11 Using Libcloud in multi-threaded and async environments

Libcloud's primary task is to communicate with different provider APIs using HTTP. This means most of the work is not CPU intensive, but performing all those HTTP requests includes a lot of waiting which makes the library I/O bound.

Most of the time you want to perform more operations in parallel or just want your code to finish faster (for example starting a lot of servers or periodically polling for node status).

Problems like this are usually solved using threads or async libraries such as Twisted, Tornado or gevent.

This page contains some information and tips about how to use Libcloud in such environments.

Libcloud and thread-safety

Important thing to keep in mind when dealing with threads is thread-safety. Libcloud driver instance is **not** thread safe. This means if you don't want to deal with complex (and usually inefficient) locking the easiest solution is to create a new driver instance inside each thread.

Using Libcloud with gevent

gevent has an ability to monkey patch and replace functions in the Python `socket`, `urllib2`, `httplib` and `time` module with its own functions which don't block.

You need to do two things when you want to use Libcloud with gevent:

- Enable monkey patching

```
from gevent import monkey
monkey.patch_all()
```

- Create a separate driver instance for each Greenlet. This is necessary because a driver instance reuses the same Connection class.

For an example see Efficiently download multiple files using gevent.

Using Libcloud with Twisted

Libcloud has no Twisted support included in the core which means you need to be careful when you use it with Twisted and some other async frameworks.

If you don't use it properly it can block the whole reactor (similar as any other blocking library or a long CPU-intensive task) which means the execution of other pending tasks in the event queue will be blocked.

A simple solution to prevent blocking the reactor is to run Libcloud calls inside a thread. In Twisted this can be achieved using `threads.deferToThread` which runs a provided method inside the Twisted thread pool.

The example bellow demonstrates how to create a new node inside a thread without blocking the whole reactor.

```
from __future__ import absolute_import

from pprint import pprint

from twisted.internet import defer, threads, reactor
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

@defer.inlineCallbacks
def create_node(name):
    node = yield threads.deferToThread(_thread_create_node,
                                       name=name)

    pprint(node)
    reactor.stop()

def _thread_create_node(name):
    Driver = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)
    conn = Driver('username', 'api key')
    image = conn.list_images()[0]
    size = conn.list_sizes()[0]
    node = conn.create_node(name=name, image=image, size=size)
    return node

def stop(*args, **kwargs):
    reactor.stop()

d = create_node(name='my-lc-node')
d.addCallback(stop)
d.addErrback(stop)

reactor.run()
```

1.1.12 Working with the object oriented APIs

To make it easier for the end user, Libcloud components expose a fully object-oriented API.

This means that besides the driver object you also work with `NodeImage`, and `NodeSize` object in the compute API, `Container` and `Object` object in the Storage API, `Zone` and `Record` object in the DNS API and so on.

Methods which operate on those resources usually require you to pass in an instance of the resource you want to manipulate or work with and not just an id.

To obtain a reference to this resource, Libcloud providers corresponding `get` and / or `list` methods.

A couple of examples are shown below.

Example 1 - listing records for a zone with a known id

```
from libcloud.dns.providers import get_driver
from libcloud.dns.types import Provider

CREDENTIALS_ZERIGO = ('email', 'api key')
ZONE_ID = 'example.myzone.com'

Cls = get_driver(Provider.ZERIGO)
driver = Cls(*CREDENTIALS_ZERIGO)

zone = driver.get_zone(zone_id=ZONE_ID)
records = driver.list_records(zone=zone)
```

In this example, `driver.get_zone()` method call results in an HTTP call.

Example 2 - creating an EC2 instance with a known `NodeSize` and `NodeImage` id

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

ACCESS_ID = 'your access id'
SECRET_KEY = 'your secret key'

IMAGE_ID = 'ami-c8052d8d'
SIZE_ID = 't1.micro'

cls = get_driver(Provider.EC2_US_WEST)
driver = cls(ACCESS_ID, SECRET_KEY)

# Here we select size and image
sizes = driver.list_sizes()
images = driver.list_images()

size = [s for s in sizes if s.id == SIZE_ID][0]
image = [i for i in images if i.id == IMAGE_ID][0]

node = driver.create_node(name='test-node', image=image, size=size)
```

In this example, both `driver.list_sizes()` and `driver.list_images()` method calls result in an HTTP call.

As you can see above, most of those getter methods retrieve extra information about the resource from the provider API and result in an HTTP request.

There are some cases when you might not want this:

- You don't care if a resource doesn't exist
- You don't care about the extra attributes
- You want to avoid an extra HTTP request
- You want to avoid holding a reference to the resource object

If that is true for you, you can directly instantiate a resource with a known id. You can see how to do this in the examples below.

Example 1 - listing records for a zone with a known id

```
from libcloud.dns.base import Zone
from libcloud.dns.providers import get_driver
from libcloud.dns.types import Provider

CREDENTIALS_ZERIGO = ('email', 'api key')
ZONE_ID = 'example.myzone.com'

Cls = get_driver(Provider.ZERIGO)
driver = Cls(*CREDENTIALS_ZERIGO)

zone = Zone(ZONE_ID, domain=None, type=None, ttl=None,
            driver=driver)
records = driver.list_records(zone=zone)
```

Example 2 - creating an EC2 instance with a known NodeSize and NodeImage id

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver
from libcloud.compute.base import NodeSize, NodeImage

ACCESS_ID = 'your access id'
SECRET_KEY = 'your secret key'

IMAGE_ID = 'ami-c8052d8d'
SIZE_ID = 't1.micro'

cls = get_driver(Provider.EC2_US_WEST)
driver = cls(ACCESS_ID, SECRET_KEY)

size = NodeSize(id=SIZE_ID, name=None, ram=None, disk=None, bandwidth=None,
                price=None, driver=driver)
image = NodeImage(id=IMAGE_ID, name=None, driver=driver)

node = driver.create_node(name='test-node', image=image, size=size)
```

Example 3 - creating an EC2 instance with an IAM profile

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

ACCESS_ID = 'your access id'
```

```
SECRET_KEY = 'your secret key'
IAM_PROFILE = 'your IAM profile arn or IAM profile name'

IMAGE_ID = 'ami-c8052d8d'
SIZE_ID = 't1.micro'
cls = get_driver(Provider.EC2_US_WEST)
driver = cls(ACCESS_ID, SECRET_KEY)

# Here we select size and image
sizes = driver.list_sizes()
images = driver.list_images()

size = [s for s in sizes if s.id == SIZE_ID][0]
image = [i for i in images if i.id == IMAGE_ID][0]

node = driver.create_node(name='test-node', image=image, size=size,
                          ex_iamprofile=IAM_PROFILE)
```

1.2 Developer Information

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Mailing Lists

All of the communication about Libcloud development happens on our mailing lists.

- announce@libcloud.apache.org - Moderated and low volume mailing list which is only used for distributing important project announcements and updates.
- users@libcloud.apache.org - Mailing list for general talk about Libcloud and other off-topic things ([users-archive](#))
- dev@libcloud.apache.org - General mailing list for developers ([dev-archive](#))
- commits@libcloud.apache.org - Commits messages go to this mailing list. Keep in mind that unlike the others, this mailing list is fairly noisy. ([commits-archive](#))

Archive of old incubator mailing lists:

- [incubator-libcloud](#)
- [incubator-libcloud-commits](#)

IRC

- [#libcloud](#) on Freenode

Issue Tracker

For bug and issue tracking we use JIRA located at <https://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/LIBCLOUD>.

Testing

For information how to run the tests and how to generate the test coverage report, please see the [Testing](#) page.

Continuous Integration

For continuous integration we use Apache buildbot instance and Travis-CI. You can find build reports on the following two links:

- <https://ci.apache.org/waterfall?builder=libcloud-trunk-tox&builder=libcloud-site-staging>
- <https://travis-ci.org/apache/libcloud>

Travis-CI builder is also integrated with Github which means that if you open a pull request there, Travis-CI will automatically build it.

Test Coverage

Test coverage report is automatically generated after every push and can be found at <http://ci.apache.org/projects/libcloud/coverage>.

1.2.2 Development

This page describes Libcloud development process and contains general guidelines and information on how to contribute to the project.

Contributing

We welcome contributions of any kind (ideas, code, tests, documentation, examples, ...).

If you need help or get stuck at any point during this process, stop by on our IRC channel (*#libcloud on freenode*) and we will do our best to assist you.

General contribution guidelines

- Any non-trivial change must contain tests. For more information, refer to the *Testing* page.
- All the functions and methods must contain Sphinx docstrings which are used to generate the API documentation. For more information, refer to the *Docstring conventions* section below.
- If you are adding a new feature, make sure to add a corresponding documentation.

Code style guide

- We follow [PEP8 Python Style Guide](#)
- Use 4 spaces for a tab
- Use 79 characters in a line
- Make sure edited file doesn't contain any trailing whitespace
- You can verify that your modifications don't break any rules by running the `flake8` script - e.g. `flake8 libcloud/edited_file.py`. or `tox -e lint`. Second command will run `flake8` on all the files in the repository.

And most importantly, follow the existing style in the file you are editing and **be consistent**.

Git pre-commit hook

To make complying with our style guide easier, we provide a git pre-commit hook which automatically checks modified Python files for violations of our style guide.

You can install it by running following command in the root of the repository checkout:

```
ln -s contrib/pre-commit.sh .git/hooks/pre-commit
```

After you have installed this hook it will automatically check modified Python files for violations before a commit. If a violation is found, commit will be aborted.

Code conventions

This section describes some general code conventions you should follow when writing a Libcloud code.

1. Import ordering

Organize the imports in the following order:

1. Standard library imports
2. Third-party library imports
3. Local library (Libcloud) imports

Each section should be separated with a blank line. For example:

```
import sys
import base64

import paramiko

from libcloud.compute.base import Node, NodeDriver
from libcloud.compute.providers import Provider
```

2. Function and method ordering

Functions in a module and methods on a class should be organized in the following order:

1. “Public” functions / methods
2. “Private” functions / methods (methods prefixed with an underscore)
3. “Internal” methods (methods prefixed and suffixed with a double underscore)

For example:

```
class Unicorn(object):
    def __init__(self, name='fluffy'):
        self._name = name

    def make_a_rainbow(self):
        pass

    def _get_rainbow_colors(self):
        pass
```

```
def __eq__(self, other):
    return self.name == other.name
```

Methods on a driver class should be organized in the following order:

1. Methods which are part of the standard API
2. Extension methods
3. “Private” methods (methods prefixed with an underscore)
4. “Internal” methods (methods prefixed and suffixed with a double underscore)

Methods which perform a similar functionality should be grouped together and defined one after another.

For example:

```
class MyDriver(object):
    def __init__(self):
        pass

    def list_nodes(self):
        pass

    def list_images(self):
        pass

    def create_node(self):
        pass

    def reboot_node(self):
        pass

    def ex_create_image(self):
        pass

    def _to_nodes(self):
        pass

    def _to_node(self):
        pass

    def _to_images(self):
        pass

    def _to_image(self):
        pass
```

Methods should be ordered this way for the consistency reasons and to make reading and following the generated API documentation easier.

3. Prefer keyword over regular arguments

For better readability and understanding of the code, prefer keyword over regular arguments.

Good:

```
some_method(public_ips=public_ips, private_ips=private_ips)
```

Bad:

```
some_method(public_ips, private_ips)
```

4. Don't abuse ****kwargs**

You should always explicitly declare arguments in a function or a method signature and only use ****kwargs** and ***args** respectively when there is a valid use case for it.

Using ****kwargs** in many contexts is against Python's "explicit is better than implicit" mantra and makes it for a bad and a confusing API. On top of that, it makes many useful things such as programmatic API introspection hard or impossible.

A use case when it might be valid to use ****kwargs** is a decorator.

Good:

```
def my_method(self, name, description=None, public_ips=None):
    pass
```

Bad (please avoid):

```
def my_method(self, name, **kwargs):
    description = kwargs.get('description', None)
    public_ips = kwargs.get('public_ips', None)
```

5. When returning a dictionary, document it's structure

Dynamic nature of Python can be very nice and useful, but if (ab)use it in a wrong way it can also make it hard for the API consumer to understand what is going on and what kind of values are being returned.

If you have a function or a method which returns a dictionary, make sure to explicitly document in the docstring which keys the returned dictionary contains.

6. Prefer to use "is not None" when checking if a variable is provided or defined

When checking if a variable is provided or defined, prefer to use `is foo is not None` instead of `if foo`.

If you use `if foo` approach, it's easy to make a mistake when a valid value can also be falsy (e.g. a number 0).

For example:

```
class SomeClass(object):
    def some_method(self, domain=None):
        params = {}

        if domain is not None:
            params['Domain'] = domain
```

Docstring conventions

For documenting the API we use Sphinx and reStructuredText syntax. Docstring conventions to which you should adhere to are described below.

- Docstrings should always be used to describe the purpose of methods, functions, classes, and modules.

- Method docstring should describe all the normal and keyword arguments. You should describe all the available arguments even if you use `*args` and `**kwargs`.
- All parameters must be documented using `:param p:` or `:keyword p:` and `:type p:` annotation.
- `:param p: ...` - A description of the parameter `p` for a function or method.
- `:keyword p: ...` - A description of the keyword parameter `p`.
- `:type p: ...` The expected type of the parameter `p`.
- Return values must be documented using `:return:` and `:rtype` annotation.
- `:return: ...` A description of return value for a function or method.
- `:rtype: ...` The type of the return value for a function or method.
- Required keyword arguments must contain `(required)` notation in description. For example: `:keyword image: OS Image to boot on node. (required)`
- Multiple types are separated with `or` For example: `:type auth: :class:'.NodeAuthSSHKey' or :class:'.NodeAuthPassword'`
- For a description of the container types use the following notation: `<container_type>` of `<objects_type>`. For example: `:rtype: 'list' of :class:'Node'`

For more information and examples, please refer to the following links:

- Sphinx Documentation - <http://sphinx-doc.org/markup/desc.html#info-field-lists>
- Example Libcloud module with documentation - <https://github.com/apache/libcloud/blob/trunk/libcloud/compute/base.py>

Contribution workflow

1. Start a discussion on the mailing list

If you are implementing a big feature or a change, start a discussion on the *mailing list* first.

2. Open a new issue on our issue tracker

Go to our [issue tracker](#) and open a new issue for your changes there. This issue will be used as an umbrella place for your changes. As such, it will be used to track progress and discuss implementation details.

3. Fork our Github repository

Fork our [Github git repository](#). Your fork will be used to hold your changes.

4. Create a new branch for your changes

For example:

```
git checkout -b <jira_issue_id>_<change_name>
```

5. Make your changes

6. Write tests for your changes and make sure all the tests pass

Make sure that all the code you have added or modified has appropriate test coverage. Also make sure all the tests including the existing ones still pass.

For more information on how to write and run tests, please see [Testing](#) page.

7. Commit your changes

Make a single commit for your changes. If a corresponding JIRA ticket exists, make sure the commit message contains the ticket number.

For example:

```
git commit -a -m "[LIBCLOUD-123] Add a new compute driver for CloudStack based providers."
```

8. Open a pull request with your changes

Go to <https://github.com/apache/libcloud/> and open a new pull request with your changes. Your pull request will appear at <https://github.com/apache/libcloud/pulls>.

Make sure the pull request name is prefixed with a JIRA ticket number, e.g. `[LIBCLOUD-436] Improvements to DigitalOcean compute driver` and that the pull request description contains link to the JIRA ticket.

9. Wait for the review

Wait for your changes to be reviewed and address any outstanding comments.

10. Squash the commits and generate the patch

Once the changes has been reviewed, all the outstanding issues have been addressed and the pull request has been +1'ed, close the pull request, squash the commits (if necessary) and generate a patch.

```
git format-patch --stdout trunk > patch_name.patch
```

Make sure to use `git format-patch` and not `git diff` so we can preserve the commit authorship.

Note #1: Before you generate the patch and squash the commits, make sure to synchronize your branch with the latest trunk (run `git pull upstream trunk` in your branch), otherwise we might have problems applying it cleanly.

Note #2: If you have never used rebase and squashed the commits before, you can find instructions on how to do that in the following guide: [squashing commits with rebase](#).

11. Attach a final patch with your changes to the corresponding JIRA ticket

Attach the generated patch to the JIRA issue you have created earlier.

Note about Github

Github repository is a read-only mirror of the official Apache git repository (<https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf/libcloud.git>). This mirror script runs only a couple of times per day which means this mirror can be slightly out of date.

You are advised to add a separate remote for the official upstream repository:

```
git remote add upstream https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf/libcloud.git
```

Github read-only mirror is used only for pull requests and code review. Once a pull request has been reviewed, all the comments have been addresses and it's ready to be merged, user who submitted the pull request must close the pull request, create a patch and attach it to the original JIRA ticket.

Syncing your git(hub) repository with an official upstream git repository

This section describes how to synchronize your git clone / Github fork with an official upstream repository.

It's important that your repository is in-sync with the upstream one when you start working on a new branch and before you generate a final patch. If the repository is not in-sync, generated patch will be out of sync and we won't be able to cleanly merge it into trunk.

To synchronize it, follow the steps bellow in your git clone:

1. Add upstream remote if you haven't added it yet

```
git remote add upstream https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf/libcloud.git
```

2. Synchronize your trunk branch with an upstream one

```
git checkout trunk
git pull upstream trunk
```

3. Create a branch for your changes and start working on it

```
git checkout -b my_new_branch
```

4. Before generating a final patch which is to be attached to the JIRA ticket, make sure your repository and branch is still in-sync

```
git pull upstream trunk
```

5. Generate a patch which can be attached to the JIRA ticket

```
git format-patch --stdout remotes/upstream/trunk > patch_name.patch
```

Contributing Bigger Changes

If you are contributing a bigger change (e.g. large new feature or a new provider driver) you need to have signed Apache Individual Contributor License Agreement (ICLA) in order to have your patch accepted.

You can find more information on how to sign and file an ICLA on the [Apache website](#).

When filling the form, leave field preferred Apache id(s) empty and in the notify project field, enter Libcloud.

Supporting Multiple Python Versions

Libcloud supports a variety of Python versions so your code also needs to work with all the supported versions. This means that in some cases you will need to include extra code to make sure it works in all the supported versions.

Some examples which show how to handle those cases are described bellow.

Context Managers

Context managers aren't available in Python 2.5 by default. If you want to use them make sure to put from `__future__ import with_statement` on top of the file where you use them.

Exception Handling

There is no unified way to handle exceptions and extract the exception object in Python 2.5 and Python 3.x. This means you need to use a `sys.exc_info()[1]` approach to extract the raised exception object.

For example:

```
try:
    some code
except Exception:
    e = sys.exc_info()[1]
    print e
```

Utility functions for cross-version compatibility

You can find a lot of utility functions which make code easier to work with Python 2.x and 3.x in `libcloud.utils.py3` module.

You can find some more information on changes which are involved in making the code work with multiple versions on the following link - [Lessons learned while porting Libcloud to Python 3](#)

1.3 Committer Guide

1.3.1 Committer Guide

New committer guidelines

Note: This section outlines steps which need to be completed by new team members and is indented for people who have been voted to join Libcloud project as a committer and / or PMC member. It also assumes you have already filled your ICLA and your Apache account has been created.

First congratulations and welcome to the team!

1. Subscribe to the public mailing lists

If you haven't yet, subscribe to `{dev,users,commits}@apache.libcloud.org` mailing lists. Commits mailing list is especially important because all of the JIRA notification, Github Pull Request notifications and build notifications are sent there.

2. Subscribe to the private mailing list

Subscribe to private@libcloud.apache.org by sending an email to private-subscribe@libcloud.apache.org. Keep in mind that this list is private and your subscription needs to be approved by a moderator.

3. Create PyPi account

Creating a PyPi account by going to https://pypi.python.org/pypi?%3Aaction=register_form and send an email to private@libcloud.apache.org requesting to be added as a maintainer to `apache-libcloud` package. Make sure to select a strong and unique password (`pwgen -s 48 1` is your friend).

After you have registered go to “Your details” page and populate *PGP Key ID* field with your PGP key ID.

Applying a patch

When applying a third-party patch created using `git format-patch` command, use the following command:

```
git am --signoff < patch_name.patch
```

`--signoff` argument signs the patch and lets others know that you have reviewed and merged a patch.

After the patch has been applied, make sure to update `CHANGES` file.

Making a release (for release managers)

This section contains information a release manager should follow when preparing a release.

1. Pre-release check list

- Make sure tests pass on all the supported Python versions (`tox`)
- Make sure `CHANGES` file is up to date
- Make sure `__version__` string in `libcloud/__init__.py` is up to date

2. Creating release artifacts

We have a script that runs the required `setup.py` commands and then hashes and signs the files. To run it:

```
cd dist
./release.sh -u <yourusername>@apache.org
```

`-u` argument will be used to find a key with a matching email address in your local GPG database.

This should result in a set of `apache-libcloud-${VERSION}.
{tar.bz2,tar.gz,zip}{,asc,md5,sha1}` files that are suitable to be uploaded for a release.

3. Uploading release artifacts to Apache servers

- Add release artifacts to the dist SVN repository at <https://dist.apache.org/repos/dist/release/libcloud/>

It may take up to a day for the artifacts to be available on all the Apache mirrors, but they should be instantly available at <http://www.apache.org/dist/libcloud/>.

- If there is more than one old release in the repository, delete rest of the old release and only leave current and previous release there. Old releases are automatically archived and available at <https://dist.apache.org/repos/dist/release/libcloud/>.

4. Tagging a release

```
git tag <version> <commit hash>
```

For example:

```
git tag v0.13.0 105b9610835f99704996d861d613c5a9a8b3f8b1
```

5. Publishing package to PyPi

For consistency and security reasons packages are always uploaded to PyPi manually using the web interface and not using the setup.py upload command.

- Run `python setup.py register` command. This will register a new version on PyPi, but it won't upload the actual release artifacts.
- Go to the [PyPi release management page](#), find a new release and click on “files” link.
- Once you are there, upload all the release artifacts (.tar.bz2, .tar.gz and .zip). For File Type select Source and for Python Version select Any (ie. pure Python). Make sure to also select and upload a PGP signature for each file (PGP signature (.asc) field).

Once all the files have been uploaded, the page should look similar to the screenshot bellow.

Files for apache-libcloud 0.13.1

Package: [roles](#) | [releases](#) | [view](#) | [edit](#) | [files](#) | [urls](#) | [PKG-INFO](#)

To upload files to this index, you have two options:

1. Use the setup.py "upload" command.
2. Or enter the information manually:

File: No file chosen
File Type: -- Select Distribution Type -- ▾
Python Version: -- Select Python Version -- ▾ (not needed for source distributions)
Comment: (optional - use if there's multiple files for one distribution type)
MD5 Digest: (optional - will be calculated if not supplied)
PGP signature (.asc): No file chosen (optional)
highlighted information is required

Remove?	Type	Py Version	Comment	Download	Size	MD5 digest
<input type="checkbox"/>	Source	source		apache-libcloud-0.13.1.tar.bz2 sig	386KB	d640426aae6b9bcc6e9324845e4da107
<input type="checkbox"/>	Source	source		apache-libcloud-0.13.1.tar.gz sig	491KB	16473f2fd7f4f5aa6d1342ae218a78f
<input type="checkbox"/>	Source	source		apache-libcloud-0.13.1.zip sig	882KB	3a0e60af942e30b27f22c2b598f2c33b

Welcome Kami

[Your details \(Logout\)](#)

Your packages:

- [apache-libcloud](#)
- [cliff-rackspace](#)
- [dcs](#)
- [django-encrypted-settings](#)
- [django_notifications](#)
- [django_yubico](#)
- [face_client](#)

6. Verifying the release artifact check sums

To verify that nothing went wrong doing the release process, run the `./dist/verify_checksums.sh` script.

This script downloads the release artifacts from the Apache and PyPi server and makes sure that the MD5 check sums of the both files match.

Usage:

```
./dist/verify_checksums.sh <version>
```

For example

```
./dist/verify_checksums.sh apache-libcloud-0.13.2
```

7. Updating doap_libcloud.rdf file

Add information about the new release to the `doap_libcloud.rdf` file in the root of the main code repository.

8. Updating website

- Update “News” page (`content/news.mdtext` file)
- Update “Downloads” page (`content/downloads.mdtext` file)

- Update “Get it” section in the sidebar (templates/blocks/other.html file)

9. Sending announcements

- Send a release announcement to {dev,users}@libcloud.apache.org. If it’s a major release also send it to announce@apache.org.
- Send a release announcement to Twitter and Google+

Note: If the release fixes a security vulnerability, you should also send information about a vulnerability to the following full disclosure mailing lists:

- full-disclosure@lists.grok.org.uk
- bugtraq@securityfocus.com

The email you send should also be signed using your GPG key. You can find an example of such announcement on the [following url](#).

If needed, use Apache URL shortening service - <http://s.apache.org/>

Mailing list email templates

This section includes email templates which can be used when sending out official communication to the mailing lists.

Release voting thread template

This template should be used when starting a voting thread for a new release.

Subject:

```
[VOTE] Release Apache Libcloud <version>
```

Body:

```
This is a voting thread for Libcloud <version>.
```

```
<short description and highlights of this release>
```

```
Full changelog can be found at <link to the CHANGES file for this release>.
```

```
Release artifacts can be found at <link to your Apache space where a release artifacts can be found>.
```

```
Please test the release and post your votes.
```

```
+/- 1
```

```
[ ] Release Apache Libcloud <version>
```

```
Vote will be opened until <date, it should be at minimum today + 3 days> (or longer, if needed).
```

```
Thanks,  
<name>
```

For example:

Subject:

[VOTE] Release Apache Libcloud 0.13.2

Body:

This is a voting thread for Libcloud 0.13.2.

This is another primarily a bug-fix release. Previous release included a fix for the Content-Length k

This bug could manifest itself while uploading a file with some of the storage providers.

Besides this bug fix, it includes a couple of other smaller bug fixes and changes. Full change log can be found at <https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf?p=libcloud.git;a=blob;f=CHANGES;h=b7747f777a>

Release artifacts can be found at <http://people.apache.org/~tomaz/libcloud/>.

Please test the release and post your votes.

+/- 1

[] Release Apache Libcloud 0.13.2

Vote will be opened until September 18th, 2013 (or longer, if needed).

Thanks,
Tomaz

Release announcement

This template should be used when sending out a release announcement.

Subject:

[ANNOUNCE] Apache Libcloud 0.13.1 release

Body:

Libcloud is a Python library that abstracts away the differences among multiple cloud provider APIs. It allows users to manage cloud services (servers, storage, loadbalancers, DNS) offered by many different providers through a single, unified and easy to use API.

We are pleased to announce the release of Libcloud <version>!

<short description of the release which should include release highlights>

Full change log can be found at <link to CHANGES file for this release>

Download

Libcloud <version> can be downloaded from <http://libcloud.apache.org/downloads.html> or installed using pip:

```
pip install apache-libcloud
```

It is possible that the file hasn't been synced to all the mirrors yet. If this is the case, please use the main Apache mirror - <http://www.apache.org/dist/libcloud>.

Upgrading

If you have installed Libcloud using pip you can also use it to upgrade it:

```
pip install --upgrade apache-libcloud
```

Upgrade notes

A page which describes backward incompatible or semi-incompatible changes and how to preserve the old behavior when this is possible can be found at <http://libcloud.apache.org/upgrade-notes.html>.

Documentation

API documentation can be found at <http://libcloud.apache.org/apidocs/<version>/>.

We also have a new Sphinx documentation which can be found at <https://libcloud.apache.org/docs/>.

Bugs / Issues

If you find any bug or issue, please report it on our issue tracker <https://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/LIBCLOUD>. Don't forget to attach an example and / or test which reproduces your problem.

Thanks

Thanks to everyone who contributed and made this release possible! Full list of people who contributed to this release can be found in the CHANGES file [<link to the changes file for this release>](#).

For example:

Subject:

```
[ANNOUNCE] Apache Libcloud 0.13.1 release
```

Body:

```
Libcloud is a Python library that abstracts away the differences among multiple cloud provider APIs. It allows users to manage cloud services (servers, storage, loadbalancers, DNS) offered by many different providers through a single, unified and easy to use API.
```

```
We are pleased to announce the release of Libcloud 0.13.1!
```

```
This is a bug-fix only release. Among some smaller bugs it also fixes Content-Length regression which broke create and update operations in the Bluebox Compute and Azure Storage driver (LIBCLOUD-362, LIBCLOUD-3901).
```

```
Full change log can be found at <https://git-wip-us.apache.org/repos/asf?p=libcloud.git;a=blob;f=CHANGELOG>
```

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```

```
pip install apache-libcloud
```

```
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We also have a new Sphinx documentation which can be found at <https://libcloud.apache.org/docs/>. Keep in mind though, that this documentation reflects state in trunk which includes some backward incompatible changes which aren't present in 0.13.1. All the examples in the documentation which only work with trunk are clearly marked with a note.

Bugs / Issues

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Thanks

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1.4 Other

1.4.1 Changelog

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.14.0

General

- Update API endpoints which are used in the HostVirtual drivers. (LIBCLOUD-489) [Dinesh Bhoopathy]
- Add support for Amazon security token to the Amazon drivers. (LIBCLOUD-498, GITHUB-223) [Noah Kantrowitz]

Compute

- Remove Slicehost driver.
SliceHost API has been shut down in 2012 so it makes no sense to keep this driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify drivers for public cloud providers which use HTTP Basic authentication to not allow insecure connections (secure constructor kwarg being set to False) by default.

This way credentials can't accidentally be sent in plain text over the wire.

Affected drivers: Bluebox, Joyent, NephoScale, OpSource, VPSNet [Tomaz Muraus]

- Remove “public_ip” and “private_ip” property which has been deprecated in 0.7.0 from the Node object. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Move “is_private_ip” and “is_valid_ip_address” function from libcloud.compute.base into libcloud.utils.networking module. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to pass “url” argument to the CloudStack driver constructor. This argument can be provided instead of “host” and “path” arguments and can contain a full URL to the API endpoint. (LIBCLOUD-430) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to pass None as a “location” argument to the create_node method. (LIBCLOUD-431) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Refactor CloudStack Connection class so it looks more like other connection classes and user can specify which attributes to send as part of query parameters in the GET request and which inside the body of a POST request. [Tomaz Muraus, Philipp Strube]
- Add a new driver for Exoscale (<https://www.exoscale.ch/>) provider. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in Abiquo driver which caused the driver to fail if the endpoint URL didn't start with “/api”. (LIBCLOUD-447)

Reported by Igor Ajdisek. [Tomaz Muraus]

- Modify CloudStack driver to correctly throw InvalidCredsError exception if invalid credentials are provided. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Don't throw an exception if a node object is missing an “image” attribute in the list nodes / get node response. This could happen if node is in an error state. (LIBCLOUD-455) [Dustin Spicuzza, Tomaz Muraus]
- Update CloudStack driver to better handle errors and throw ProviderError instead of a generic Exception. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify ex_list_networks methods in CloudStack driver to not throw if there are no networks available. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Bump API version used in the EC2 driver from 2010-08-21 to 2013-10-15. (LIBCLOUD-454) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add ex_get_limits method for retrieving account resource limits to the EC2 driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update us-west-1 region in the EC2 driver to include c3 instance types. Also include pricing information. [Tomaz Muraus]
- For consistency, rename “ex_add_ip_forwarding_rule” method to “ex_create_ip_forwarding_rule”. (GITHUB-196) [Oleg Suharev]
- Add support for new “i2” instance types to Amazon EC2 driver. Also update pricing file. (LIBCLOUD-465) [Chris DeRamus]
- Allow user to specify VPC id when creating a security group in the EC2 driver by passing “vpc_id” argument to ex_create_security_group method. (LIBCLOUD-463, GITHUB-201) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add extension methods for managing security group rules (ex_authorize_security_group_ingress, ex_authorize_security_group_egress, ex_revoke_security_group_ingress, ex_revoke_security_group_egress) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-466, GITHUB-202) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add extension methods for deleting security groups (ex_delete_security_group, ex_delete_security_group_by_id, ex_delete_security_group_by_name) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-464, GITHUB-199) [Chris DeRamus]

- Add extension method for listing reserved instances (`ex_list_reserved_nodes`) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-469, GITHUB-205) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add extension methods for VPC management (`ex_list_networks`, `ex_create_network`, `ex_delete_network`) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-467, GITHUB-203) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add extension methods for VPC subnet management (`ex_list_subnets`, `ex_create_subnet`, `ex_delete_subnet`) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-468, GITHUB-207) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add `ex_get_console_output` extension method to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-471, GITHUB-209) [Chris DeRamus]
- Include additional provider-specific attributes in the ‘extra’ dictionary of the `StorageVolume` class in the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-473, GITHUB-210) [Chris DeRamus]
- Change attribute name in the ‘extra’ dictionary of EC2 and CloudStack Node object from “keyname” to “key_name”. (LIBCLOUD-475) [Oleg Suharev]
- Fix a deployment issue which would some times cause a process to hang if the executed deployment script printed a lot of output to stdout or stderr. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add additional attributes to the “extra” dictionary of the `VolumeSnapshot` object in the EC2 driver.
Also modify `create_volume_snapshot` method to correctly handle “name” argument. Previous, “name” argument was used as a snapshot description, now it’s used as a Tag with a key “Name”. (LIBCLOUD-480, GITHUB-214) [Chris DeRamus]
- Store additional attributes (`iops`, `tags`, `block_device_mapping`) in the “extra” dictionary of the `NodeImage` object in the EC2 driver.
Also fix `ex_image_ids` filtering in the `list_images` method. (LIBCLOUD-481, GITHUB-215) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add extension methods for network interface management (`ex_list_network_interfaces`, `ex_create_network_interface`, `ex_attach_network_interface_to_node`, `ex_detach_network_interface`, `ex_delete_network_interface`) to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-474) [Chris DeRamus]
- Update Google Compute Engine driver to use and work with API v1. (LIBCLOUD-450) [Rick Wright]
- Modify `ParamikoSSHClient` so that “password” and “key” arguments are not mutually exclusive and both can be provided. (LIBCLOUD-461, GITHUB-194) [Markos Gogoulos]
- Add extension methods for the Elastic IP management to the EC2 driver. Also modify “`ex_allocate_address`” and “`ex_release_address`” method to take “domain” argument so it also works with VPC. (LIBCLOUD-470, GITHUB-208, GITHUB-220) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add additional provider specific attributes to the “extra” dictionary of the `Node` object in the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-493, GITHUB-221) [Chris DeRamus]
- Add `ex_copy_image` and `ex_create_image_from_node` method to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-494, GITHUB-222) [Chris DeRamus]

Storage

- Allow user to specify ‘Content-Disposition’ header in the `CloudFiles` driver by passing ‘`content_disposition`’ key in the extra dictionary of the upload object methods. (LIBCLOUD-430) [Michael Farrell]
- Fix `CloudFiles` driver so it references a correct service catalog entry for the CDN endpoint.
This was broken in the 0.14.0-beta3 release when we migrated all the Rackspace drivers to use auth 2.0 by default. (GITHUB-186) [John Obelenus]
- Update storage drivers to default to “application/octet-stream” Content-Type if none is provided and none can be guessed. (LIBCLOUD-433) [Michael Farrell]

- Fix a bug so you can now upload 0 bytes sized objects using multipart upload in the S3 driver. (LIBCLOUD-490)
Reported by Noah Kantrowitz. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update OpenStack Swift driver constructor so it accepts “region”, “ex_force_service_type” and “ex_force_service_name” argument. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Deprecate “CLOUDFILES_SWIFT” provider constant in favor of new “OPENSTACK_SWIFT” one. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for setting an ACL when uploading and object. (LIBCLOUD-497, GITHUB-223) [Noah Kantrowitz]
- Modify get_container method to use a more efficient “HEAD” approach instead of calling list_containers + doing late filtering. (LIBCLOUD-498, GITHUB-223) [Noah Kantrowitz]

DNS

- Implement iterate_* methods in the Route53 driver and makes it work correctly if there are more results which can fit on a single page. Previously, only first 100 results were returned. (LIBCLOUD-434) [Chris Clarke]
- Update HostVirtual driver constructor to only take “key” and other valid arguments. Previously it also took “secret” argument which it silently ignored. (LIBCLOUD-483)
Reported by Andrew Udvardi. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix list_records method in the HostVirtual driver. (LIBCLOUD-484, GITHUB-218)
Reported by Andrew Udvardi. [Dinesh Bhoopathy]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.14.0-beta3

General

- If the file exists, read pricing data from ~/.libcloud/pricing.json by default. If the file doesn't exist, fall back to the old behavior and use pricing data which is bundled with the release. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add libcloud.pricing.download_pricing_file function for downloading and updating the pricing file. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix libcloud.utils.py3.urlquote so it works with unicode strings under Python 2. (LIBCLOUD-429) [Michael Farrell]

Compute

- Refactor Rackspace driver classes and make them easier to use. Now there are two Rackspace provider constants - Provider.RACKSPACE which represents new next-gen OpenStack servers and Provider.RACKSPACE_FIRST_GEN which represents old first-gen cloud servers.
Note: This change is backward incompatible. For more information on those changes and how to update your code, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation page - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]
- Deprecate the following EC2 provider constants: EC2_US_EAST, EC2_EU, EC2_EU_WEST, EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST, EC2_AP_NORTHEAST, EC2_US_WEST_OREGON, EC2_SA_EAST, EC2_SA_EAST and replace it with a new EC2 constant. Driver referenced by this new constant now takes a “region” argument which dictates to which region to connect.

Note: Deprecated constants will continue to work until the next major release. For more information on those changes and how to update your code, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation page - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]

- Add support for volume related functions to OpenNebula driver. (LIBCLOUD-354) [Emanuele Rocca]
- Add methods for managing storage volumes to the OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-353) [Bernard Kerckaere]
- Add new driver for Google Compute Engine (LIBCLOUD-266, LIBCLOUD-386) [Rick Wright]
- Fix create_node “features” metadata and update affected drivers. (LIBCLOUD-367) [John Carr]
- Update EC2 driver to accept the auth kwarg (it will accept NodeAuthSSH objects and automatically import a public key that is not already uploaded to the EC2 keyring). (Follow on from LIBCLOUD-367). [John Carr]
- Unify extension argument names for assigning a node to security groups in EC2 and OpenStack driver. Argument in the EC2 driver has been renamed from ex_securitygroup to ex_security_groups. For backward compatibility reasons, old argument will continue to work until the next major release. (LIBCLOUD-375) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add ex_import_keypair_from_string and ex_import_keypair method to the CloudStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-380) [Sebastien Goasguen]
- Add support for managing floating IP addresses to the OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-382) [Ivan Kusalic]
- Add extension methods for handling port forwarding to the CloudStack driver, rename CloudStackForwardingRule class to CloudStackIPForwardingRule. (LIBCLOUD-348, LIBCLOUD-381) [sebastien goasguen]
- Hook up deploy_node functionality in the CloudStack driver and unify extension arguments for handling security groups. (LIBCLOUD-388) [sebastien goasguen]
- Allow user to pass “args” argument to the ScriptDeployment and ScriptFileDeployment class. This argument tells which command line arguments get passed to the ScriptDeployment script. (LIBCLOUD-394)

Note: This change is backward incompatible. For more information on how this affects your code and how to update it, visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation page - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]

- Allow user to specify IAM profile to use when creating an EC2 node. (LIBCLOUD-403) [Xavier Barbosa]
- Add support for keypair management to the OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-392) [L. Schaub]
- Allow user to specify disk partitioning mode using ex_disk_config argument in the OpenStack based drivers. (LIBCLOUD-402) [Brian Curtin]
- Add new driver for Nephoscale provider (<http://nephoscale.com/>). (LIBCLOUD-404) [Markos Gogoulos]
- Update network related extension methods so they work correctly with both, OpenStack and Rackspace driver. (LIBCLOUD-368) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add tests for networking functionality in the OpenStack and Rackspace driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to pass all supported extension arguments to ex_rebuild_server method in the OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-408) [Dave King]
- Add pricing information for Rackspace Cloud Sydney region. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update EC2 instance type map and pricing data. High Storage instances are now also available in Sydney and Singapore region. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new methods for managing storage volumes and snapshots to the EC2 driver (list_volumes, list_snapshots, destroy_volume_snapshot, create_volume_snapshot) (LIBCLOUD-409) [Oleg Suharev]
- Add the following new extension methods to EC2 driver: ex_destroy_image, ex_modify_instance_attributes, ex_delete_keypair. (LIBCLOUD-409) [Oleg Suharev]
- Allow user to specify a port range when creating a port forwarding rule. (LIBCLOUD-409) [Oleg Suharev]

- Align Joyent driver with other drivers and deprecate “location” argument in the driver constructor in favor of “region” argument.

Note: Deprecated argument will continue to work until the next major release. [Tomaz Muraus]

- Deprecate the following ElasticHosts provider constants: ELASTICHOSTS_UK1, ELASTICHOSTS_UK2, ELASTICHOSTS_US1, ELASTICHOSTS_US2, ELASTICHOSTS_US3, ELASTICHOSTS_CA1, ELASTICHOSTS_AU1, ELASTICHOSTS_CN1 and replace it with a new ELASTICHOSTS constant. Driver referenced by this new constant now takes a “region” argument which dictates to which region to connect.

Note: Deprecated constants will continue to work until the next major release. For more information on those changes and how to update your code, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation page - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> (LIBCLOUD-383) [Michael Bennett, Tomaz Muraus]

- Add log statements to our ParamikoSSHClient wrapper. This should make debugging deployment issues easier. (LIBCLOUD-414) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new “NodeState.STOPPED” node state. Update HostVirtual and EC2 driver to also recognize this new state. (LIBCLOUD-296) [Jayy Vis]
- Add new Hong Kong endpoint to Rackspace driver. [Brian Curtin]
- Fix ex_delete_keypair method in the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-415) [Oleg Suharev]
- Add the following new extension methods for elastic IP management to the EC2 driver: ex_allocate_address, ex_disassociate_address, ex_release_address. (LIBCLOUD-417) [Patrick Armstrong]
- For consistency and accuracy, rename “ex_associate_addresses” method in the EC2 driver to “ex_associate_address_with_node”.

Note: Old method will continue to work until the next major release. [Tomaz Muraus]

- Add new driver for CloudFrames (<http://www.cloudfounders.com/CloudFrames>) provider. (LIBCLOUD-358) [Bernard Kerckenaere]
- Update default kernel versions which are used when creating a Linode server.

Old default kernel versions:

- x86 - 2.6.18.8-x86_64-linode1
- x86_64 - 2.6.39.1-linode34

New default kernel versions:

- x86 - 3.9.3-x86-linode52
- x86_64 - 3.9.3-x86_64-linode33

(LIBCLOUD-424) [Tomaz Muraus, Jon Chen]

- Disable cache busting functionality in the OpenStack and Rackspace next-gen driver and enable it only for Rackspace first-gen driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update Google Compute Engine driver to v1beta16. [Rick Wright]
- Modify auth_url variable in the OpenStack drivers so it works more like users would expect it to.

Previously path specified in the auth_url was ignored and only protocol, hostname and port were used. Now user can provide a full url for the auth_url variable and the path provided in the url is also used. [DaeMyung Kang, Tomaz Muraus]

- Allow user to associate arbitrary key/value pairs with a node by passing “ex_metadata” argument (dictionary) to create_node method in the EC2 driver. Those values are associated with a node using tags functionality. (LIBCLOUD-395) [Ivan Kusalic]

- Add “ex_get_metadata” method to EC2 and OpenStack driver. This method reads metadata dictionary from the Node object. (LIBCLOUD-395) [Ivan Kusalic]
- **Multiple improvements in the Softlayer driver:**
 - Map “INITIATING” node state to NodeState.PENDING
 - If node is launching remap “halted” state to “pending”
 - Add more node sizes
 - Add ex_stop_node and ex_start_node method
 - Update tests response fixtures(LIBCLOUD-416) [Markos Gogoulos]
- Modify list_sizes method in the KT UCloud driver to work, even if the item doesn’t have ‘diskofferingid’ attribute. (LIBCLOUD-435) [DaeMyung Kang]
- Add new c3 instance types to the EC2 driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix an issue with the ex_list_keypairs and ex_list_security_groups method in the CloudStack driver which caused an exception to be thrown if the API returned no keypairs / security groups. (LIBCLOUD-438) [Carlos Reategui, Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in the OpenStack based drivers with not correctly checking if the auth token has expired before re-using it. (LIBCLOUD-428)
Reported by Michael Farrell. [Tomaz Muraus, Michael Farrell]

Storage

- Deprecate CLOUDFILES_US and CLOUDFILES_UK provider constant and replace it with a new CLOUDFILES constant. Driver referenced by this new constant takes a “region” keyword argument which can be one of ‘ord’, ‘dfw’, ‘iad’, ‘syd’, ‘lon’.
Note: Deprecated constants will continue to work until the next major release. For more information on this change, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation section - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow users to filter objects starting with a prefix by passing ex_prefix argument to the list_container_objects method in the S3, Google Storage and CloudFiles driver. (LIBCLOUD-369) [Stefan Friesel]
- Fix an issue with mutating connectionCls.host attribute in the Azure driver. This bug prevented user from having multiple Azure drivers with different keys instantiated at the same time. (LIBCLOUD-399) [Olivier Grisel]
- Add a new driver for KT UCloud based on the OpenStack Swift driver. (LIBCLOUD-431). [DaeMyung Kang]

Load Balancer

- Deprecate RACKSPACE_US and RACKSPACE_UK provider constant and replace it with a new RACKSPACE constant. Driver referenced by this new constant takes a “region” keyword argument which can be one of the following: ‘ord’, ‘dfw’, ‘iad’, ‘syd’, ‘lon’.
Note: Deprecated constants will continue to work until the next major release. For more information on this change, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation section - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new driver for Google Compute Engine (LIBCLOUD-386) [Rick Wright]
- Add new Hong Kong endpoint to Rackspace driver. [Brian Curtin]

DNS

- Deprecate RACKSPACE_US and RACKSPACE_UK provider constant and replace it with a new RACKSPACE constant. Driver referenced by this new constant takes a “region” keyword argument which can be one of the following: ‘us’, ‘uk’.

Note: Deprecated constants will continue to work until the next major release. For more information on this change, please visit “Upgrade Notes” documentation section - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]

- Use string instead of integer for RecordType ENUM value.

Note: If you directly use an integer instead of RecordType ENUM class you need to update your code to use the RecordType ENUM otherwise the code won’t work. For more information on how to do that, see “Upgrade Notes” documentation section - <http://s.apache.org/lc0140un> [Tomaz Muraus]

- Add “export_zone_to_bind_format” and export_zone_to_bind_zone_file method which allows users to export Libcloud Zone to BIND zone format. (LIBCLOUD-398) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update issue with inexistent zone / record handling in the get_zone and get_record method in the Linode driver. Those issues were related to changes in the Linode API. (LIBCLOUD-425) [Jon Chen]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.13.3

Compute

- Send “scrub_data” query parameter when destroying a DigitalOcean node. This will cause disk to be scrubbed (overwritten with 0’s) when destroying a node. (LIBCLOUD-487)

Note: This fixes a security issue with a potential leak of data contained on the destroyed node which only affects users of the DigitalOcean driver. (CVE-2013-6480) [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.13.2

General

- Don’t sent Content-Length: 0 header with POST and PUT request if “raw” mode is used. This fixes a regression which could cause broken behavior in some storage driver when uploading a file from disk. (LIBCLOUD-396) [Ivan Kusalic]

Compute

- Added Ubuntu Linux 12.04 image to ElasticHost driver image list. (LIBCLOUD-364) [Bob Thompson]
- Update ElasticHosts driver to store drive UUID in the node ‘extra’ field. (LIBCLOUD-357) [Bob Thompson]

Storage

- Store last_modified timestamp in the Object extra dictionary in the S3 driver. (LIBCLOUD-373) [Stefan Friesel]

Load Balancer

- Expose CloudStack driver directly through the Provider.CLOUDSTACK constant. [Tomaz Muraus]

DNS

- Modify Zerigo driver to include record TTL in the record 'extra' attribute if a record has a TTL set. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify values in the Record 'extra' dictionary attribute in the Zerigo DNS driver to be set to None instead of an empty string ('') if a value for the provided key is not set. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.13.1

General

- Fix a regression introduced in 0.13.0 and make sure to include Content-Length 0 with PUT and POST requests. (LIBCLOUD-362, LIBCLOUD-390) [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Fix a bug in the ElasticHosts driver and check for right HTTP status code when determining drive imaging success. (LIBCLOUD-363) [Bob Thompson]
- Update Opsource driver to include node public ip address (if available). (LIBCLOUD-384) [Michael Bennett]

Storage

- Fix a regression with calling `encode_container_name` instead of `encode_object_name` on object name in `get_object` method. Reported by Ben Meng (LIBCLOUD-366) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Ensure that AWS S3 multipart upload works for small iterators. (LIBCLOUD-378) [Mahendra M]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.13.0

General

- Add homebrew `curl-ca-bundle` path to `CA_CERTS_PATH`. This will make Libcloud use homebrew `curl ca bundle` file (if available) for server certificate validation. (LIBCLOUD-324) [Robert Chiniqy]
- Modify `OpenStackAuthConnection` and change `auth_token_expires` attribute to be a datetime object instead of a string. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify `OpenStackAuthConnection` to support re-using of the existing auth token if it's still valid instead of re-authenticating on every `authenticate()` call. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify base `Connection` class to not send Content-Length header if body is not provided. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add the new error class `ProviderError` and modify `InvalidCredsError` to inherit from it. (LIBCLOUD-331) [Jay Vis]

Misc

- Add `unittest2` library dependency for tests and update some tests to use it. [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Fix `destroy_node` method in the experimental `libvirt` driver. [Aymen Fitati]
- Add `ex_start_node` method to the `Joyent` driver. (LIBCLOUD-319) [rszabo50]
- Fix Python 3 compatibility issue in the `ScriptFileDeployment` class. (LIBCLOUD-321) [Arfrever Frehtes Taifer-sar Arahe-sis]
- Add `ex_set_metadata_entry` and `ex_get_metadata` method to the `VCloud` driver. (LIBCLOUD-318) [Michel Samia]
- Various improvements and bug-fixes in the `VCloud` driver. (LIBCLOUD-323) [Michel Samia]
- Various bug fixes and improvements in the `HostVirtual` driver. (LIBCLOUD-249) [Dinesh Bhoopathy]
- Modify `list_sizes` method in the `OpenStack` driver to include `OpenStackNodeSize` object which includes 'vcpus' attribute which holds a number of virtual CPUs for this size. (LIBCLOUD-325) [Carlo]
- For consistency rename "ex_describe_keypairs" method in the `EC2` driver to "ex_describe_keypair". [Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify "ex_describe_keypair" method to return key fingerprint in the return value. (LIBCLOUD-326) [Andre Merzky, Tomaz Muraus]
- Populate `private_ips` attribute in the `CloudStack` drive when returning a `Node` object from the `create_node` method. (LIBCLOUD-329) [Sebastien Goasguen, Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to pass extra arguments via "extra_args" argument which are then passed to the "deployVirtual-Machine" call in the `CloudStack` driver `create_node` method. (LIBCLOUD-330) [Sebastien Goasguen, Tomaz Muraus]
- Update `Gandi` driver to handle new billing model. (LIBCLOUD-317) [Aymeric Barantal]
- Fix a bug in the `Linode` driver and remove extra newline which is added when generating a random root password in `create_node`. (LIBCLOUD-334) [Juan Carlos Moreno]
- Add extension methods for managing keypairs to the `CloudStack` driver. (LIBCLOUD-333) [sebastien goasguen]
- Add extension methods for managing security groups to the `CloudStack` driver. (LIBCLOUD-332) [sebastien goasguen]
- Add extension methods for starting and stopping the node to the `CloudStack` driver. (LIBCLOUD-338) [sebastien goasguen]
- Fix old `_wait_until_running` method. (LIBCLOUD-339) [Bob Thompson]
- Allow user to override default async task completion timeout by specifying `ex_clone_timeout` argument. (LIBCLOUD-340) [Michal Galet]
- Fix a bug in the `GoGrid` driver `get_uuid` method. (LIBCLOUD-341) [Bob Thompson]
- Fix a bug with `deploy_node` not respecting 'timeout' kwarg. [Kevin Carter]
- Modify `create_node` method in `CloudStack` driver to return an instance of `CloudStackNode` and add a new "expunging" node state. (LIBCLOUD-345) [sebastien goasguen]
- Update API endpoint hostnames in the `ElasticHost` driver and use hostnames which return a valid SSL certificate. (LIBCLOUD-346) [Bob Thompson]
- Add `ex_list_networks` method and missing tests for `list_templates` to the `CloudStack` driver. (LIBCLOUD-349) [Philipp Strube]
- Correctly throw `InvalidCredsError` if user passes invalid credentials to the `DigitalOcean` driver. [Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Fix an issue with double encoding the container name in the CloudFiles driver upload_object method. Also properly encode container and object name used in the HTTP request in the get_container and get_object method. (LIBCLOUD-328) [Tomaz Muraus]

Load Balancer

- Add ex_list_current_usage method to the Rackspace driver.

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.12.4

Compute

- Fix a regression in Softlayer driver caused by the xmlrpclib changes. (LIBCLOUD-310) [Jason Johnson]
- Allow user to pass alternate ssh usernames to deploy_node (ssh_alternate_usernames kwarg) which are used for authentication if the default one doesn't work. (LIBCLOUD-309) [Chris Psaltis, Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in EC2 list_locations method - 'name' attribute didn't contain a the right value. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new ScriptFileDeployment deployment class which reads deploy script from a file. [Rudolf J Streif]
- Add support for API version 5.1 to the vCloud driver and accept any value which is a multiple of four for ex_vm_memory kwarg in create_node method. (LIBCLOUD-314) [Trevor Powell]

Storage

- Fix a regression with removed ex_force_service_region constructor kwarg in the CloudFiles driver. (LIBCLOUD-260)

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.12.3

General

- Fix Python 3.x related regressions. (LIBCLOUD-245) Reported by Arfrever Frehtes Taifersar Arahesis. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a regression introduced with recent xmlrpclib changes which broke all the Gandi.net drivers. (LIBCLOUD-288)
Reported by Hutson Betts. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Improve deploy code to work correctly if the ssh user doesn't have access to the /root directory.
Previously the ScriptDeployment script was stored in /root folder by default. Now it's stored in users home directory under filename ~/libcloud_deploymeny_<random>.sh. (LIBCLOUD-302)
Reported by rotem on #libcloud. [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Improve public and private IP address handling in OpenStack 1.1 driver. Assume every IP address which doesn't have a label "public" or "internet" is private. (LIBCLOUD-297) [Grischa Meyer, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new driver for DigitalOcean provider - <https://www.digitalocean.com/>. (LIBCLOUD-304) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a regression in ParamikoSSHClient.run method which caused this method to only work as expected if you passed an absolute or a relative path to the script to it. (LIBCLOUD-278) [Tomaz Muraus]

DNS

- Allow user to specify 'priority' extra argument when creating a MX or SRV record. [Brian Jinwright, Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.12.1

General

- Deprecate LazyList method of iteration over large paginated collections and use a new, more efficient generator based approach which doesn't require the iterator to be pre-exhausted and buffering all of the values in memory. Existing list_* methods which previously used LazyList class are preserving the old behavior and new iterate_* methods which use a new generator based approach have been added. (LIBCLOUD-254) [Mahendra M]
- Replace old ENUM style provider constants and replace them with a string version. This change allows users to dynamically register new drivers using a new set_driver method. (LIBCLOUD-255) [Mahendra M]
- Allow user to explicitly specify which CA file is used for verifying the server certificate by setting 'SSL_CERT_FILE' environment variable.

Note: When this variable is specified, the specified path is the only CA file which is used to verifying the server certificate. (LIBCLOUD-283) [Tomaz Muraus, Erinn Looney-Triggs]

- Add a common module (libcloud.common.xmlrpc) for handling XML-RPC requests using Libcloud http layer. Also refactor existing drivers which use xmlrpclib directly (VCL, Gandi, Softlayer) to use this module. This change allows drivers to support LIBCLOUD_DEBUG and SSL certificate validation functionality. Previously they have bypassed Libcloud http layer so this functionality was not available. (LIBCLOUD-288) [John Carr]

Compute

- Fix string interpolation bug in __repr__ methods in the IBM SCE driver. (LIBCLOUD-242) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix test failures which happened in Python 3.3 due to: - hash randomization - changes in xml.etree module - changes in xmlrpc module (LIBCLOUD-245) [Tomaz Muraus]
- **Improvements and additions in vCloud driver:**
 - Expose generic query method (ex_query)
 - Provide functionality to get and set control access for vApps. This way created vApps can be shared between users/groups or everyone.

(LIBCLOUD-251) [Michal Galet]

- Update EC2 pricing data to reflect new, lower prices - <http://aws.typepad.com/aws/2012/10/new-ec2-second-generation-standard-instances-and-price-reductions-1.html> [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update EC2 instance size to reflect new m3 instance types. Also refactor the code to make it easier to maintain. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add a new driver for HostVirtual (<http://www.vr.org>) provider. (LIBCLOUD-249) [Dinesh Bhoopathy]
- Fix a bug where a numeric instead of a string value was used for the content-length header in VCloud driver. (LIBCLOUD-256) [Brian DeGeeter, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add a new driver for new Asia Pacific (Sydney) EC2 region. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for managing security groups to the OpenStack driver. This patch adds the following extension methods: - `ex_list_security_groups`, `ex_get_node_security_groups` methods - `ex_create_security_group`, `ex_delete_security_group` - `ex_create_security_group_rule`, `ex_delete_security_group_rule` (LIBCLOUD-253) [L. Schaub]
- Modify ElasticStack driver class to pass 'vnc auto' instead of 'vnc:ip auto' argument to the API when creating a server. It looks like 'vnc:ip' has been replaced with 'vnc'. [Rick Copeland, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new EC2 instance type - High Storage Eight Extra Large Instance (hs1.8xlarge). [Tomaz Muraus]
- Map 'shutting-down' node state in EC2 driver to UNKNOWN. Previously it was mapped to TERMINATED. (LIBCLOUD-280)

Note: This change is backward incompatible which means you need to update your code if you rely on the old behavior. [Tomaz Muraus, Marcin Kuzminski]

- Change `_wait_until_running` method so it supports waiting on multiple nodes and make it public (`wait_until_running`). (LIBCLOUD-274) [Nick Bailey]
- Add new EC2 instance type - High Memory Cluster Eight Extra Large. (cr1.8xlarge). [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new driver for Abiquo provider - <http://www.abiquo.com> (LIBCLOUD-250). [Jaume Devesa]
- Allow user to pass 'ex_blockdevicemappings' kwarg to the EC2 driver 'create_node' method. (LIBCLOUD-282) [Joe Miller, Tomaz Muraus]
- Improve error handling in the Brightbox driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix the ScriptDeployment step to work correctly if user provides a relative path for the script argument. (LIBCLOUD-278) [Jaume Devesa]
- Fix Softlayer driver and make sure all the code is up to date and works with the latest version of the actual Softlayer deployment (v3). (LIBCLOUD-287) [Kevin McDonald]
- Update EC2 driver, m3 instance types are now available in all the regions except Brazil.
Also update pricing to reflect new (lower) prices. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Minor improvements in the HostVirtual driver and add new `ex_get_node` and `ex_build_node` extension method. (LIBCLOUD-249) [Dinesh Bhoopathy]
- Add `ex_destroy_image` method to IBM SCE driver. (LIBCLOUD-291) [Perry Zou]
- Add the following new regions to the ElasticHosts driver: `sjc-c`, `syd-v`, `hkg-e`. (LIBCLOUD-293) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix `create_node` in OpenStack driver to work correctly if 'adminPass' attribute is not present in the response. [Gavin McCance, Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow users to filter images returned by the `list_images` method in the EC2 driver by providing `ex_image_ids` argument. (LIBCLOUD-294) [Chris Psaltis, Joseph Hall]
- Add support for OpenNebula 3.8. (LIBCLOUD-295) [Guillaume ZITTA]

- Add missing 'deleted' -> terminated mapping to OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-276) [Jayy Vis]
- Fix create_node in OpenStack driver to work correctly if 'adminPass' attribute is not present in the response. (LIBCLOUD-292) [Gavin McCance, Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Add a new local storage driver. (LIBCLOUD-252, LIBCLOUD-258, LIBCLOUD-265, LIBCLOUD-273) [Mahendra M]
- Fix a bug which caused the connection to not be closed when using Python 2.6 and calling get_object on an object which doesn't exist in the S3 driver. (LIBCLOUD-257) [John Carr]
- Add a new generator based method for listing / iterating over the containers (iterate_containers). (LIBCLOUD-261) [Mahendra M]
- Add ex_purge_object_from_cdn method to the CloudFiles driver. (LIBCLOUD-267) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Support for multipart uploads and other improvements in the S3 driver so it can more easily be re-used with other implementations (e.g. Google Storage, etc.).

Also default to a multipart upload when using upload_object_via_stream. This methods is more efficient compared to old approach because it only requires buffering a single multipart chunk (5 MB) in memory. (LIBCLOUD-269) [Mahendra M]

- Add new driver for Windows Azure Storage with support for block and page blobs. (LIBCLOUD-80) [Mahendra M]

DNS

- Update 'if type' checks in the update_record methods to behave correctly if users passes in RecordType.A with a value of 0 - if type is not None. (LIBCLOUD-247) [Tomaz Muraus]
- New driver for HostVirtual provider (www.vr.org). (LIBCLOUD-249) [Dinesh Bhoopathy]
- Finish Amazon Route53 driver. (LIBCLOUD-132) [John Carr]
- Add new driver for Gandi provider (<https://www.gandi.net>). (LIBCLOUD-281) [John Carr]

Load-Balancer

- Add new driver for AWS Elastic Load Balancing service. (LIBCLOUD-169) [John Carr]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.11.4

General

- Fix some of tests failures which happened in Python 3.3 due to randomized dictionary ordering. (LIBCLOUD-245) [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Fix a bug where a numeric instead of a string value was used for the content-length header in VCloud driver. (LIBCLOUD-256) [Brian DeGeeter, Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Don't ignore `ex_force_service_region` argument in the CloudFiles driver. (LIBCLOUD-260) [Dan Di Spaltro]
- Fix a bug which caused the connection to not be closed when using Python 2.6 and calling `get_object` on an object which doesn't exist in the S3 driver. (LIBCLOUD-257) [John Carr]

DNS

- Update 'if type' checks in the `update_record` methods to behave correctly if users passes in `RecordType.A` with a value of 0 - if type is not None. (LIBCLOUD-247) [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.11.3

Storage

- Include 'last_modified' and 'content_type' attribute in the Object 'extra' dictionary when retrieving object using `get_object` in the S3 driver. Also modify 'meta_data' dictionary to include all the headers prefixed with 'x-amz-meta-'. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.11.2

General

- Fix a bug with the Libcloud SSL verification code. Code was too strict and didn't allow "-" character in the sub-domain when using a wildcard certificate.

Note: This is NOT a security vulnerability. (LIBCLOUD-244) [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Add new Rackspace Nova driver for Chicago (ORD) location (LIBCLOUD-234) [Brian McDaniel]
- Add capacity information to Vdc objects and implement power operations. (LIBCLOUD-239) [Michal Galet]
- Allow user to pass 'timeout' argument to the 'deploy_node' method. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add `ex_list_security_groups`, `ex_authorize_security_group` and `ex_describe_all_keypairs` methods to the EC2 driver. (LIBCLOUD-241, LIBCLOUD-243) [Nick Bailey]
- Add new methods for managing storage volumes and other extension methods to the IBM SCE driver. (LIBCLOUD-242) [Sengor Kusturica]

Storage

- Add the following new methods to the CloudFiles driver: `ex_set_account_metadata_temp_url_key`, `ex_get_object_temp_url`. (GITHUB-72) [Shawn Smith]

Load-balancer

- Add 'balancer' attribute to the Member instance. This attribute refers to the LoadBalancer instance this member belongs to. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.11.1

General

- Fix hostname validation in the SSL verification code (CVE-2012-3446).
Reported by researchers from the University of Texas at Austin (Martin Georgiev, Suman Jana and Vitaly Shmatikov).

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.11.0

Compute

- Add a timeout of 10 seconds to OpenStackAuthConnection class. (LIBCLOUD-199) [Chris Gilmer]
- Add time.sleep(wait_period) to _ssh_client_connect to prevent busy loops when we immediately can't connect to a server. (LIBCLOUD-197) [Jay Doane]
- Fix a bug with Python 3 support in the following drivers - IBM SCE, - CloudStack - CloudSigma - OpenNebula - VpsNet - EC2 - ElasticStack - vCloud - OpSource - Slicehost - Joyent (LIBCLOUD-204) [Sengor Kusturica, Hutson Betts, Tomaz Muraus]
- Make CloudStack driver more robust and make it work if list_images() call returns no images. (LIBCLOUD-202) [Gabriel Reid]
- Add force_ipv4 argument to _wait_until_running and default it to True. This will make Libcloud ignore IPv6 addresses when using deploy_node. (LIBCLOUD-200) [Jay Doane, Tomaz Muraus]
- Include error text if a CloudStack async job returns an error code. (LIBCLOUD-207) [Gabriel Reid]
- Add extension methods for block storage volume management to the CloudStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-208) [Gabriel Reid]
- New driver for KT UCloud (<http://home.ucloud.olleh.com/main.kt>) based on the CloudStack driver. [DaeMyung Kang]
- Add a standard API and methods for managing storage volumes to the EC2 and CloudStack drivers. Base API consistent of the following methods: create_volume, destroy_volume, attach_volume, detach_volume. (LIBCLOUD-213) [Gabriel Reid]
- Change ex_describe_tags, ex_create_tags and ex_delete_tags methods signature in the EC2 driver. Argument is now called resource (previously it was called node). This methods work with both Node and StorageVolume objects. (LIBCLOUD-213) [Gabriel Reid, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add Rackspace Nova London driver. [Chris Gilmer]
- Fix a bug - If user doesn't pass in 'network_id' argument to the create_node method in the CloudStack driver, don't explicitly define it. (LIBCLOUD-219) [Bruno Mahé, Tomaz Muraus]
- Modify EC2 driver to also return cc2.8xlarge cluster compute instance in the eu-west-1 region. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add 'auth_user_variable' to the OpenStackAuthConnection class. [Mark Everett]
- Fix a bug with repeated URLs in some requests the vCloud driver. (LIBCLOUD-222) [Michal Galet]

- New Gridspot driver with basic list and destroy functionality. (LIBCLOUD-223) [Amir Elaguizy]
- Add methods for managing storage volumes to the Gandi driver. (LIBCLOUD-225) [Aymeric Barantal]

DNS

- Add support for GEO RecordType to Zerigo driver. (LIBCLOUD-203) [Gary Wilson]
- Fix a bug with Python 3 support in the following drivers (LIBCLOUD-204) - Zerigo [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for URL RecordType to Zerigo driver. (LIBCLOUD-209) [Bojan Mihelac]
- Properly handle record creation when user doesn't provide a record name and wants to create a record for the actual domain. Reported by Matt Perry (LIBCLOUD-224) [Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Fix a bug with Python 3 support in the following drivers - Atmos - Google Storage - Amazon S3 (LIBCLOUD-204) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in the CloudFiles driver which prevented it to work with accounts which use a non ORD endpoint. (LIBCLOUD-205) [Geoff Greer]
- Fix a bug in the enable_container_cdn method. (LIBCLOUD-206) [Geoff Greer]
- Allow user to specify container CDN TTL when calling container.enable_cd() using ex_ttl keyword argument in the CloudFiles driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add ex_enable_static_website and ex_set_error_page method to the CloudFiles driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Propagate kwargs passed to container.download_object() to driver.download_object(). (LIBCLOUD-227) [Benno Rice]
- Fix a bug with not escaping container and object name in the Atmos driver. [Russell Keith-Magee, Benno Rice]
- Fix upload_object_via_stream method in the Atmos driver. (LIBCLOUD-228) [Benno Rice]
- Fix a bug with uploading zero-sized files in the OpenStack Swift / CloudFiles driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug with content_type and encoding of object and path names in the Atmos driver. [Russell Keith-Magee]

Other

- Unify docstrings formatting in the compute drivers. (LIBCLOUD-229) [Ilgiz Islamgulov]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.10.1

General

- Add timeout attribute to base 'Connection' class and pass it to the connection class constructor if Python version is not 2.5. [Chris Gilmer]

Compute

- Update IBM SBC driver so it works with IBM Smart Cloud Enterprise. (LIBCLOUD-195) [Sengor Kusturica]
- Add `ex_register_iso` method to the CloudStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-196) [Daemian Mack]
- Allow user to specify which IP to use when calling `deploy_node`. (defaults to `'public_ips'`). Previously it only worked with public IP, now user can pass `'private_ips'` as an argument and SSH client will try to connect to the node first private IP address. [Jay Doane]
- Fix CloudSigmaLvsNodeDriver connectionCls bug. [Jerry Chen]
- Add `'ex_keyname'` argument to the `create_node` method in the OpenStack driver. (LIBCLOUD-177) [Jay Doane]
- Fix a problem in `deploy_node` - make it work with providers which don't instantly return created node in the `list_node` response. Also add `__str__` and `__repr__` method to `DeploymentError` so the error message is more useful. (LIBCLOUD-176) [Jouke Waleson, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add `'ssh_key'` feature to Brighbox driver. This way it works with `deploy_node`. (LIBCLOUD-179) [Neil Wilson]
- Add Joyent compute driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Store auth token expire times on the connection class in the attribute called `'auth_token_expires'`. (LIBCLOUD-178) [Chris Gilmer, Brad Morgan]
- Add new driver for VCL cloud (<http://www.educause.edu/blog/hes8/CloudComputingandtheVirtualCom/167931>) (LIBCLOUD-180) [Jason Gionta, Tomaz Muraus]
- **Improve and add new features to Brightbox driver**
 - Update fixtures to represent actual api output
 - Update compute tests to 100% coverage
 - Add userdata and server group extensions to `create_node`
 - Add ipv6 support to public ip list
 - Improve in line documentation
 - Add lots of api output information to Node and Image `'extra'` attributes
 - Allow variable API versions (`api_version` argument)
 - Allow reverse dns updates for cloud ip extensions
- (LIBCLOUD-184) [Neil Wilson, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add `ex_userdata` argument to the OpenStack 1.1 driver. (LIBCLOUD-185) [Jay Doane]
- Modify Vmware vCloud driver and implement new features for the vCloud version 1.5. (LIBCLOUD-183) [Michal Galet, Sengor Kusturica]
- Allow user to pass mode argument to `SSHClient.put` method and default it to `'w'`. (LIBCLOUD-188) [Jay Doane]
- Modify `SSHKeyDeployment` step to use append mode so it doesn't overwrite existing entries in `~/.ssh/authorized_keys`. (LIBCLOUD-187) [Jay Doane]
- Modify `ParamikoSSHClient` to connect to the SSH agent and automatically look for private keys in `~/.ssh` if the `'auth'` and `'ssh_key'` argument is not specified when calling `deploy_node`. (LIBCLOUD-182) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add `ex_rescue` and `ex_unrescue` method to OpenStack 1.1 driver. (LIBCLOUD-193) [Shawn Smith]

- Include ‘password’ in the node extra dictionary when calling `deploy_node` if the password auth is used. [Juan Carlos Moreno]
- Add `FileDeployment` class to `libcloud.compute.deployment` module. This can be used as a replacement for `ex_files` argument if the provider supports deployment functionality. (LIBCLOUD-190) [Jay Doane]

Storage

- Large object upload support for CloudFiles driver
- Add `CLOUDFILES_SWIFT` driver to connect to OpenStack Swift [Dmitry Russkikh, Roman Bogorodskiy]

Load-balancer

- Don’t include ‘body_regex’ attribute in the Rackspace driver body if `body_regex` is `None` or empty string. (LIBCLOUD-186) [Bill Woodward]
- Don’t split Load balancer IP addresses into public and private list. Include all the addresses in the ‘virtualIps’ variable in the extra dictionary (Rackspace driver). (LIBCLOUD-191) [Adam Pickeral]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.9.1

General

- Make parsing of the Auth API responses in the OpenStack drivers more flexible and extensible.
Now, every connection class that inherits from the `openstack` base connection must implement `get_endpoint()`, who’s job is to return the correct endpoint out of the service catalog.
Note: The `openstack.py` base driver no longer works by default with Rackspace nova. The default endpoint parsed from the service catalog is the default compute endpoint for devstack. (LIBCLOUD-151) [Brad Morgan]
- Allow user to pass `ex_tenant_name` keyword argument to the OpenStack node driver class. This scopes all the endpoints returned by the Auth API endpoint to the provided tenant. (LIBCLOUD-172) [James E. Blair]
- Allow user to specify OpenStack service catalog parameters (service type, name and region). This way base OpenStack driver can be used with different providers without needing to subclass. (LIBCLOUD-173) [James E. Blair]
- Fix a bug with handling compressed responses in the Linode driver. (LIBCLOUD-158) [Ben Agricola]

Compute

- Add new `RackspaceNovaBeta` and `RackspaveNovaDfw` driver based on the OpenStack. (LIBCLOUD-151) [Brad Morgan]
- Include ‘created’ and ‘updated’ attribute in the OpenStack 1.1 driver. (LIBCLOUD-155) [Chris Gilmer]
- Include ‘minRam’ and ‘minDisk’ attribute in the OpenStack 1.1 driver Node extra dictionary. (LIBCLOUD-163) [Chris Gilmer]
- Allow users to use a list of tuples for the query string parameters inside the OpenStack connection classes. This way same key can be specified multiple times (LIBCLOUD-153) [Dave King]
- Allow user to pass ‘max_tries’ keyword argument to `deploy_node` method. [Tomaz Muraus]

- Include original exception error message when re-throwing an exception inside `_run_deployment_script` method. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for ElasticHosts new United States (Los Angeles) and Canada (Toronto) locations. (GITHUB-53) [Jaime Irurzun]
- Add `serverId` attribute to the `NodeImage` object extra dictionary in the OpenStack driver. [Mark Everett]
- Add new EC2 instance type - `m1.medium`. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to re-use auth tokens and pass `'ex_force_auth_token'` keyword argument to the OpenStack driver constructor. (LIBCLOUD-164) [Dave King]
- Add new experimental libvirt driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Properly handle OpenStack providers which return public IP addresses under the `'internet'` key in the addresses dictionary. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update `create_node` in Linode driver and make it return a `Node` object instead of a list. Reported by Jouke Waleson. (LIBCLOUD-175) [Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Don't lowercase special header names in the Amazon S3 storage driver. (LIBCLOUD-149) [Tomaz Muraus]

Load-balancer

- Allow user to specify a condition and weight when adding a member in the Rackspace driver. [Adam Pickeral]
- Add an extension method (`ex_balancer_attach_members`) for attaching multiple members to a load balancer in the Rackspace driver. (LIBCLOUD-152) [Adam Pickeral]
- Add `ex_create_balancer` method to the Rackspace driver and allow user to pass `'vip'` argument to it. (LIBCLOUD-166) [Adam Pickeral]
- Update Rackspace driver to support Auth 2.0. (LIBCLOUD-165) [Dave King]
- Add new `ex_create_balancer_access_rule` and `ex_create_balancer_access_rule_no_poll` method to the Rackspace driver. (LIBCLOUD-170) [Dave King]

DNS

- Update Rackspace driver to support Auth 2.0. (LIBCLOUD-165) [Dave King]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.8.0

General

- Add `'request_kwargs'` argument to the `get_poll_request_kwargs` method. This argument contains kwargs which were previously used to initiate the poll request. [Mark Everett]
- Add support for handling compressed responses (deflate, gzip). Also send `"Accept-Encoding"` `"gzip,deflate"` header with all the requests. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix debug module (LIBCLOUD_DEBUG env variable) so it works with Python 3 [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Added support for retrieving OpenNebula v3.2 instance types, OpenNebula v3.0 network Public attribute support, and additional code coverage tests. [Hutson Betts]
- Add implementation for `ex_save_image` method to the OpenStack 1.1 driver. [Shawn Smith]
- Add support for Amazon new South America (Sao Paulo) location. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in OpenStack driver when `2.0_apikey` or `2.0_password` 'auth_version' is used. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Current OpenNebula OCCI implementation does not support a proper restart method. Rather it suspends and resumes. Therefore, `restart_node` has been removed from the OpenNebula driver. [Hutson Betts]
- Enable `ex_delete_image` method in the OpenStack 1.1 driver. [Shawn Smith]
- Return `NodeImage` instance in OpenStack 1.1 driver `ex_save_image` method (LIBCLOUD-138) [Shawn Smith]
- Enable `reboot_node` method in the OpenNebula 3.2 driver. [Hutson Betts]
- Fix a `public_ips` Node variable assignment in the Gandi.net driver. [Aymeric Barantal]
- Updated the list of node states for OpenNebula drivers. (LIBCLOUD-148) [Hutson Betts]

Storage

- Propagate extra keyword arguments passed to the Rackspace driver connection class. [Dave King]

Load-balancer

- Add 'extra' attribute to the LoadBalancer object and retrieve all the virtual IP addresses in the Rackspace driver. [Dave King]
- Add `list_supported_algorithms()` method to the base LoadBalancer class. This method returns a list of supported algorithms by the provider. [Dave King]
- **Update Rackspace driver:**
 - Add two new supported algorithms: `WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN`, `WEIGHTED_LEAST_CONNECTIONS`
 - Add `ex_list_algorithm_names` method
 - Add `ex_get_balancer_error_page` method
 - Add `ex_balancer_access_list` method
 - Populate LoadBalancer extra dictionary with more attributes
 - Add support for health monitors and connection throttling
 - Add more balancer states
 - `ex_list_protocols_with_default_ports`[Dave King]
- Propagate extra keyword arguments passed to the Rackspace driver connection class. [Dave King]
- Add 'extra' attribute to the Member object and populate it in the Rackspace driver. [Mark Everett]
- Adds status to the Member object and conditions an 'enum' (Rackspace driver). [Mark Everett]
- Add `update_balancer` method to the base LoadBalancer class. [Mark Everett]

- Add update_balancer method to the Rackspace driver. [Mark Everett]
- Add created and updated attribute to the LoadBalancer extra dictionary in the Rackspace driver. [Mark Everett]
- Fix protocol name mapping in the Rackspace driver. [Bill Woodward]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.7.1

General

- Fix a minor bug in debug mode (LIBCLOUD_DEBUG=/dev/stderr) which has been introduced when adding Python 3 compatibility layer. [Paul Querna]
- Update OpenStack Auth API endpoint paths. [Paul Querna]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.7.0

General

- Add support for Python 3.x. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Remove old deprecated paths. [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Update CloudSigma Zurich API endpoint address. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new US Las Vegas endpoint to CloudSigma driver (types.CLOUDSIGMA_US) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow user to specify drive type (hdd, ssd) when creating a CloudSigma server.
Note 'ssd' drive_type doesn't work with the API yet. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update OpenStack 1.1 driver to comply with the API specs. Need to make another call to retrieve node name and ip addresses when creating a node, because the first call only returns an id and the password. (GITHUB-40) [Dave King]
- Add ex_node_ids argument to the EC2 driver list_nodes method. (GITHUB-39) [Suvish Vt]
- If OpenStack Auth 2.0 API is used, also parse out tenant id and name and save it on the connection class (conn.tenant['id'], conn.tenant['name']). [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new "Cluster Compute Eight Extra Large" size to the Amazon EC2 driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add the following extension methods to the EC2 compute driver: ex_describe_all_addresses, ex_associate_addresses, ex_start_node, ex_stop_node. [Suvish Vt]
- Change public_ip and private_ip attribute on the Node object to the public_ips and private_ips since both of the objects are always a list.
Note: For backward compatibility you can still access public_ip and private_ip attributes, but this will be removed in the next release. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix an inconsistency in IBM SBC driver and make sure public_ips and private_ips attributes are a list. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix an inconsistency in OpSource driver and make sure public_ips is an empty list ([]), not 'unknown' [Tomaz Muraus]

- Updated support for OpenNebula.org v1.4, v2.x, and v3.x APIs and included additional compute tests validating functionality. (LIBCLOUD-121) [Hutson Betts]

Load-balancer

- Add `ex_member_address` argument to the Rackspace driver `list_balancers` method. If this argument is provided, only loadbalancers which have a member with the provided IP address attached are returned. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.6.2

General

- Fix a bug in `PollingConnection` class - actually use and don't ignore the `poll_interval` [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Add support for Auth 2.0 API (keystone) to the OpenStack Auth connection class. [Brad Morgan]
- Add `list_locations` method to the OpenStack driver and fix some inconsistencies in the OpenStack driver extension method signatures. [Brad Morgan]
- Update Amazon EC2 driver and pricing data to support a new region - US West 2 (Oregon) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Expose 'CLOUDSTACK' provider. This driver can be used with an arbitrary CloudStack installation. [Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Update Amazon S3 driver to support a new region - US West 2 (Oregon) [Tomaz Muraus]

DNS

- Increase the default poll interval in the Rackspace driver to 2.5 seconds. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix a bug in Rackspace Cloud DNS driver and make sure to throw an exception if an unexpected status code is returned. Reported by "jebclair". [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.6.1

General

- Modify `ParamikoSSHClient.connect` so it supports authentication using a key file, (LIBCLOUD-116) [Jay Doane]
- User must now explicitly specify a path when using `LIBCLOUD_DEBUG` environment variable. (LIBCLOUD-95) [daveb, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add new `XmlResponse` and `JsonResponse` base class and modify all the driver-specific response classes to inherit from one of those two classes where applicable. [Caio Romão]
- Add new 'PollingConnection' class. This class can work with 'async' APIs. It sends an initial request and then periodically poll the API until the job has completed or a timeout has been reached. [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Add 24GB size to the GoGrid driver [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Fix API endpoint URL in the Softlayer driver [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for OpenNebula 3.0 API (LIBCLOUD-120) [Hutson Betts]
- Add more attributes to the extra dictionary in the EC2 driver. (GITHUB-31) [Juan Carlos Moreno]
- Fix IP address assignment in the EC2 driver. Don't include "None" in the public_ip and private_ip Node list attribute. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Make deploy_node functionality more robust and don't start deployment if node public_ip attribute is an empty list. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Support SSH key authentication when using deploy_node. [Russell Haering, Tomaz Muraus]
- Enable deploy_node functionality in the EC2 driver using SSH key authentication [Russell Haering, Tomaz Muraus]
- Enable paramiko library debug log level if LIBCLOUD_DEBUG is used and paramiko is installed. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix the request signature generation in the base EC2 compute driver. If the endpoint is using a non-standard port (Eucalyptus based installations), append it to the hostname used to generate the signature. [Simon Delamare]
- Add new "unavailable" state to the BrightboxNodeDriver class. [Tim Fletcher]
- Increase a PollingConnection timeout in the CloudStack connection and fix the context dictionary creation in the _async_request method. [Oleg Suharev]
- Fix networks retrieval in the CloudStack driver create_node method. Also only pass 'networkkids' field to the API if there are any networks available. [Oleg Suharev, Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix list_nodes in the CloudStack driver. Private IPs aren't always available. [Tomaz Muraus]

Load-balancer

- Add a missing argument to the method call inside LoadBalancer.attach_compute_node and Driver.balancer_attach_compute_node. [Tim Fletcher, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add missing destroy() method to the LoadBalancer class. [Tomaz Muraus]

DNS

- New drivers for Rackspace Cloud DNS (US and UK region) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add list_record_types() method. This method returns a list of record types supported by the provider. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.6.0-beta1

General

- All the driver classes now inherit from the BaseDriver class [Tomaz Muraus]
- Prefer simplejson (if available) over json module. (LIBCLOUD-112) [Geoff Greer]

- Update compute demo and change the syntax of test credentials stored in test/secrets.py-dist. (LIBCLOUD-111) [Mike Nerone]
- Enable SSL certificate verification by default and throw an exception if CA certificate files cannot be found. This can be overridden by setting `libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT_STRICT` to `False`. [Tomaz Muraus]

Compute

- Support for 1.1 API and many other improvements in the OpenStack driver ; LIBCLOUD-83 [Mike Nerone, Paul Querna, Brad Morgan, Tomaz Muraus]
- Add some extra methods to the Gandi.net driver (LIBCLOUD-115) [Aymeric Barantal]
- Add `ex_delete_image` method to the Rackspace driver. (GITHUB-27) [David Busby]
- Linode driver now supports new ‘Japan’ location [Jed Smith]
- Rackspace driver now inherits from the OpenStack one instead of doing it vice versa. (LIBCLOUD-110) [Mike Nerone]
- Properly populate `NodeImage` “details” dictionary in the Rackspace compute driver. (LIBCLOUD-107) [Lucy Mendel]
- Fix a bug in Eucalyptus driver `ex_describe_addresses` method. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add the following new extension methods to the Rackspace driver: `ex_resize`, `ex_confirm_resize`, `ex_revert_resize`. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Also allow user to pass in `Node` object to some `ex_` methods in the Rackspace compute driver. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Throw an exception in `deploy_node` if `paramiko` library is not available [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix `chmod` argument value which is passed to the `sftpclient.put` method; GITHUB-17 [John Carr]
- New driver for Ninefold.com. (LIBCLOUD-98) [Benno Rice]

Storage

- New driver for Google Storage based on the v1.0 / legacy API [Tomaz Muraus]
- New driver for Ninefold.com. (GITHUB-19) [Benno Rice]
- Fix a bug in uploading an object with some versions of Python 2.7 where `httplib` library doesn’t automatically call `str()` on the header values. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow users to upload (create) 0-bytes large (empty) objects [Tomaz Muraus]

Load-balancer

- New driver for Rackspace UK location [Tomaz Muraus]
- New driver for Ninefold.com. (LIBCLOUD-98) [Benno Rice]

DNS

- Drivers for Linode DNS and Zerigo DNS [Tomaz Muraus]
- Brand new DNS API! [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.5.2

Compute

- New driver for serverlove.com and skalicloud.com [Tomaz Muraus]
- Fix node name and tag handling in the Amazon EC2 driver [Wiktor Kolodziej]
- Fix pricing and response handling in the OpenStack driver [Andrey Zhuchkov]
- Fix `deploy_node()` method and make it more robust [Tomaz Muraus]
- Users can now pass file like objects to `ScriptDeployment` and `SSHKeyDeployment` constructor. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Include node tags when calling `list_nodes()` in the Amazon EC2 driver [Trevor Pounds]
- Properly handle response errors in the Rackspace driver and only throw `InvalidCredsError` if the returned status code is 401 [Brad Morgan]
- Fix the `create_node` method in the Nimbus driver and make the “`ex_create_tag`” method a no-op, because Nimbus doesn't support creating tags. [Tomaz Muraus]

Storage

- Fix handling of the containers with a lot of objects. Now a `LazyList` object is returned when user calls `list_container_objects()` method and this object transparently handles pagination. [Danny Clark, Wiktor Kolodziej]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.5.0

- Existing APIs directly on the `libcloud.*` module have been deprecated and will be removed in version 0.6.0. Most methods were moved to the `libcloud.compute.*` module.
- **Add new `libcloud.loadbalancers` API, with initial support for:**
 - GoGrid Load Balancers
 - Rackspace Load Balancers[Roman Bogorodskiy]
- **Add new `libcloud.storage` API, with initial support for:**
 - Amazon S3
 - Rackspace CloudFiles[Tomaz Muraus]
- **Add new `libcloud.compute` drivers for:**
 - Bluebox [Christian Paredes]
 - Gandi.net [Aymeric Barantal]
 - Nimbus [David LaBissoniere]
 - OpenStack [Roman Bogorodskiy]
 - Opsource.net [Joe Miller]
- Added “pricing” module and improved pricing handling. [Tomaz Muraus]

- **Updates to the GoGrid compute driver:**

- Use API version 1.0.
- Remove sandbox flag.
- Add `ex_list_ips()` to list IP addresses assigned to the account.
- Implement `ex_edit_image` method which allows changing image attributes like name, description and make image public or private.

[Roman Bogorodskiy]

- **Updates to the Amazon EC2 compute driver:**

- When creating a Node, use the name argument to set a Tag with the value. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add extension method for modifying node attributes and changing the node size. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add support for the new Amazon Region (Tokyo). [Tomaz Muraus]
- Added `ex_create_tags` and `ex_delete_tags`. [Brandon Rhodes]
- Include node Elastic IP addresses in the node `public_ip` attribute for the EC2 nodes. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Use `ipAddress` and `privateIpAddress` attribute for the EC 2node public and private ip. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Add `ex_describe_addresses` method to the EC2 driver. [Tomaz Muraus]

- **Updates to the Rackspace CloudServers compute driver:**

- Add `ex_rebuild()` and `ex_get_node_details()` [Andrew Klochkov]
- Expose URI of a Rackspace node to the node meta data. [Paul Querna]

- Minor fixes to get the library and tests working on Python 2.7 and PyPy. [Tomaz Muraus]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.4.2 (Released January 18, 2011)

- Fix EC2 `create_node` to become backward compatible for `NodeLocation`. [Tomaz Muraus]
- Update code for compatibility with CPython 2.5 [Jerry Chen]
- Implement `ex_edit_node` method for GoGrid driver which allows changing node attributes like amount of RAM or description. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Add `ex_set_password` and `ex_set_server_name` to Rackspace driver. [Peter Herndon, Paul Querna]
- Add Hard and Soft reboot methods to Rackspace driver. [Peter Herndon]
- EC2 Driver availability zones, via `ex_list_availability_zones`; `list_locations` rewrite to include availability zones [Tomaz Muraus]
- EC2 Driver Idempotency capability in `create_node`; LIBCLOUD-69 [David LaBissoniere]
- **SSL Certificate Name Verification:**
 - `libcloud.security` module
 - `LibcloudHTTPSConnection`, `LibcloudHTTPConnection` (alias)
 - Emits warning when not verifying, or CA certs not found
- Append ORD1 to available Rackspace location, but keep in the same node as DFW1, because it's not readable or writeable from the API. [Per suggestion of Grig Gheorghiu]
- `ex_create_ip_group`, `ex_list_ip_groups`, `ex_delete_ip_group`, `ex_share_ip`, `ex_unshare_ip`, `ex_list_ip_addresses` additions to Rackspace driver [Andrew Klochkov]

- New driver for CloudSigma. [Tomaz Muraus]
- New driver for Brightbox Cloud. (LIBCLOUD-63) [Tim Fletcher]
- Deployment capability to ElasticHosts [Tomaz Muraus]
- Allow `deploy_node` to use non-standard SSH username and port [Tomaz Muraus]
- Added Rackspace UK (London) support [Chmouel Boudjnah]
- GoGrid driver: add support for locations, i.e. listing of locations and creation of a node in specified location [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- GoGrid and Rackspace drivers: add `ex_save_image()` extra call to convert running node to an image [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- GoGrid driver: add support for creating ‘sandbox’ server and populate `isSandbox` flag in node’s extra information. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Add `ImportKeyPair` and `DescribeKeyPair` to EC2. (LIBCLOUD-62) [Philip Schwartz]
- Update EC2 driver and test fixtures for new API. [Philip Schwartz]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.4.0 [Released October 6, 2010]

- Add create keypair functionality to EC2 Drivers. (LIBCLOUD-57) [Grig Gheorghiu]
- Improve handling of GoGrid accounts with limited access API keys. [Paul Querna]
- New Driver for ElasticHosts. (LIBCLOUD-45) [Tomaz Muraus]
- Use more consistent name for GoGrid driver and use http POST method for ‘unsafe’ operations [Russell Haering]
- Implement password handling and add deployment support for GoGrid nodes. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Fix behavior of GoGrid’s `create_node` to wait for a Node ID. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Add `ex_create_node_nowait` to GoGrid driver if you don’t need to wait for a Node ID when creating a node. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Removed `libcloud.interfaces` module. [Paul Querna]
- Removed dependency on `zope.interfaces`. [Paul Querna]
- RimuHosting moved API endpoint address. [Paul Querna]
- Fix regression and error in GoGrid driver for parsing node objects. [Roman Bogorodskiy]
- Added more test cases for GoGrid driver. (LIBCLOUD-34) [Roman Bogorodskiy, Jerry Chen]
- Fix parsing of Slicehost nodes with multiple Public IP addresses. [Paul Querna]
- Add `exit_status` to `ScriptDeployment`. (LIBCLOUD-36) [Paul Querna]
- **Update prices for several drivers.** [Brad Morgan, Paul Querna]
- Update Linode driver to reflect new plan sizes. [Jed Smith]
- **Change default of ‘location’ in Linode `create_node`.** (LIBCLOUD-41) [Jed Smith, Steve Steiner]
- Document the Linode driver. [Jed Smith]
- Request a private, LAN IP address at Linode creation. [Jed Smith]

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.3.1 [Released May 11, 2010]

- Updates to Apache License blocks to correctly reflect status as an Apache Project.
- Fix NOTICE file to use 2010 copyright date.
- Improve error messages for when running the test cases without first setting up a secrets.py

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.3.0 [Tagged May 6, 2010, not released]

- **New Drivers for:**
 - Dreamhost
 - Eucalyptus
 - Enomaly ECP
 - IBM Developer Cloud
 - OpenNebula
 - SoftLayer
- Added new deployment and bootstrap API.
- Improved Voxel driver.
- Added support for Amazon EC2 Asia Pacific (Singapore) Region.
- Improved test coverage for all drivers.
- Add support for multiple security groups in EC2.
- Fixed bug in Rackspace and RimuHosting when using multiple threads.
- Improved debugging and logging of HTTP requests.
- Improved documentation for all classes and methods.

Changes with Apache Libcloud 0.2.0 [Tagged February 2, 2010]

- First public release.

1.4.2 Upgrade Notes

This page describes how to upgrade from a previous version to a new version which contains backward incompatible or semi-incompatible changes and how to preserve the old behavior when this is possible.

Libcloud 0.14.0

To make drivers with multiple regions easier to use, one of the big changes in this version is move away from the old “one class per region” model to a new single class plus `region` argument model.

More information on how this affects existing drivers and your code can be found bellow.

Default Content-Type is now provided if none is supplied and none can be guessed

In older versions, Libcloud would throw an exception when a content type is not supplied and none can't be automatically detected when uploading an object.

This has changed with the 0.14.0 release. Now if no content type is specified and none can't be detected, a default content type of `application/octet-stream` is used.

If you want to preserve the old behavior, you can set `strict_mode` attribute on the driver object to `True`.

```
from libcloud.storage.types import Provider
from libcloud.stoage.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.CLOUDFILES)
driver = cls('username', 'api key')

driver.strict_mode = True
```

If you are not using strict mode and you are uploading a binary object, we still encourage you to practice Python's "explicit is better than implicit" mantra and explicitly specify Content-Type of `application/octet-stream`.

SSH Key pair management functionality has been promoted to the base API

SSH key pair management functionality has been promoted to be a part of the base compute API.

As such, the following new classes and methods have been added:

- `libcloud.compute.base.KeyPair`
- `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.list_key_pairs`
- `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.create_key_pair`
- `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.import_key_pair_from_string`
- `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.import_key_pair_from_file`
- `libcloud.compute.base.NodeDriver.delete_key_pair`

Previously, this functionality was available in some of the provider drivers (CloudStack, EC2, OpenStack) via the following extension methods:

- `ex_list_keypairs`
- `ex_create_keypair`
- `ex_import_keypair_from_string`
- `ex_import_keypair`
- `ex_delete_keypair`

Existing extension methods will continue to work until the next major release, but you are strongly encouraged to start using new methods which are now part of the base compute API and are guaranteed to work the same across different providers.

New default kernel versions used when creating Linode servers

Kernel versions which are used by default when creating Linode servers have been updated.

Old default kernel versions:

- x86 (no paravirt-ops) - 2.6.18.8-x86_64-linode1 (#60)
- x86 (paravirt-ops) - 2.6.18.8-x86_64-linode1 (#110)
- x86_64 (no paravirt-ops) - 2.6.39.1-linode34 (#107)
- x86 (paravirt-ops)64 - 2.6.18.8-x86_64-linode1 (#111)

New default kernel versions:

- x86 - 3.9.3-x86-linode52 (#137)
- x86_64 - 3.9.3-x86_64-linode33 (#138)

Those new kernel versions now come with paravirt-ops by default.

If you want to preserve the old behavior, you can pass `ex_kernel` argument to the `create_node` method.

Keep in mind that using old kernels is strongly discouraged since they contain known security holes.

For example:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.LINODE)

driver = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver.create_node(..., ex_kernel=110)
```

Addition of new “STOPPED” node state

This version includes a new state called `libcloud.compute.types.NodeState.STOPPED`. This state represents a node which has been stopped and can be started later on (unlike `TERMINATED` state which represents a node which has been terminated and can't be started later on).

As such, `EC2` and `HostVirtual` drivers have also been updated to recognize this new state.

Before addition of this state, nodes in this state were mapped to `NodeState.UNKNOWN`.

Amazon EC2 compute driver changes

Amazon EC2 compute driver has moved to single class plus `region` argument model. As such, the following provider constants have been deprecated:

- `EC2_US_EAST`
- `EC2_US_WEST_OREGON`
- `EC2_EU`
- `EC2_EU_WEST`
- `EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST`
- `EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST2`
- `EC2_AP_NORTHEAST`
- `EC2_SA_EAST`

And replaced with a single constant:

- EC2 - Supported values for the region argument are: us-east-1, us-west-1, us-west-2, eu-west-1, ap-southeast-1, ap-northeast-1, sa-east-1, ap-southeast-2. Default value is us-east-1.

List which shows how old classes map to a new region argument value:

- EC2_US_EAST -> us-east-1
- EC2_US_WEST -> us-west-1
- EC2_US_WEST_OREGON -> us-west-2
- EC2_EU -> eu-west-1
- EC2_EU_WEST -> eu-west-1
- EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST -> ap-southeast-1
- EC2_AP_SOUTHEAST2 -> ap-southeast-2
- EC2_AP_NORTHEAST -> ap-northeast-1
- EC2_SA_EAST -> sa-east-1

Old code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.EC2)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.EC2_EU_WEST)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key')
```

New code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.EC2)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='us-east-1')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='eu-west-1')
```

Rackspace compute driver changes

Rackspace compute driver has moved to single class plus region argument model. As such, the following provider constants have been **removed**:

- RACKSPACE
- RACKSPACE_UK
- RACKSPACE_AU
- RACKSPACE_NOVA_ORD
- RACKSPACE_NOVA_DFW
- RACKSPACE_NOVA_LON
- RACKSPACE_NOVA_BETA

And replaced with two new constants:

- `RACKSPACE_FIRST_GEN` - Supported values for `region` argument are: `us`, `uk`. Default value is `us`.
- `RACKSPACE` - Supported values for the `region` argument are: `dfw`, `ord`, `iad`, `lon`, `syd`, `hkg`. Default value is `dfw`.

Besides that, `RACKSPACE` provider constant now defaults to next-generation OpenStack based servers. Previously it defaulted to first generation cloud servers.

If you want to preserve old behavior and use first-gen drivers you need to use `RACKSPACE_FIRST_GEN` provider constant.

First generation cloud servers now also use `auth 2.0` by default. Previously they used `auth 1.0`.

Because of the nature of this first-gen to next-gen change, old constants have been fully removed and unlike region changes in other driver, this change is not backward compatible.

List which shows how old, first-gen classes map to a new `region` argument value:

- `RACKSPACE` -> `us`
- `RACKSPACE_UK` -> `uk`

List which shows how old, next-gen classes map to a new `region` argument value:

- `RACKSPACE_NOVA_ORD` -> `ord`
- `RACKSPACE_NOVA_DFW` -> `dfw`
- `RACKSPACE_NOVA_LON` -> `lon`
- `RACKSPACE_AU` -> `syd`

More examples which show how to update your code to work with a new version can be found bellow.

Old code (connecting to a first-gen provider):

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE) # US region
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_UK) # UK region

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key')
```

New code (connecting to a first-gen provider):

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_FIRST_GEN)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='us')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='uk')
```

Old code (connecting to a next-gen provider)

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_NOVA_ORD)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_NOVA_DFW)
cls3 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_NOVA_LON)
```

```
driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver3 = cls('username', 'api_key')
```

New code (connecting to a next-gen provider)

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='ord')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='dfw')
driver3 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='lon')
```

CloudStack compute driver changes

CloudStack driver received a lot of changes and additions which will make it more pleasant to use. Backward incompatible changes are listed below:

- CloudStackForwardingRule class has been renamed to CloudStackIPForwardingRule
- create_node method arguments are now more consistent with other drivers. Security groups are now passed as ex_security_groups, SSH keypairs are now passed as ex_keyname and userdata is now passed as ex_userdata.
- For advanced networking zones, multiple networks can now be passed to the create_node method instead of a single network id. These networks need to be instances of the CloudStackNetwork class.
- The extra_args argument of the create_node method has been removed. The only arguments accepted are now the defaults name, size, image, location plus ex_keyname, ex_userdata, ex_security_groups and networks.

Joyent compute driver changes

Joyent driver has been aligned with other drivers and now the constructor takes region instead of location argument.

For backward compatibility reasons, old argument will continue to work until the next major release.

Old code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.JOYENT)

driver = cls('username', 'api_key', location='us-east-1')
```

Old code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.JOYENT)

driver = cls('username', 'api_key', region='us-east-1')
```

ElasticHosts compute driver changes

ElasticHosts compute driver has moved to single class plus `region` argument model. As such, the following provider constants have been deprecated:

- `ELASTICHOSTS_UK1`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_UK1`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US1`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US2`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US3`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_CA1`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_AU1`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_CN1`

And replaced with a single constant:

- `ELASTICHOSTS` - Supported values for the `region` argument are: `lon-p`, `lon-b`, `sat-p`, `lax-p`, `sjc-c`, `tor-p`, `syd-y`, `cn-1` Default value is `sat-p`.

List which shows how old classes map to a new `region` argument value:

- `ELASTICHOSTS_UK1` -> `lon-p`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_UK1` -> `lon-b`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US1` -> `sat-p`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US2` -> `lax-p`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_US3` -> `sjc-c`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_CA1` -> `tor-p`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_AU1` -> `syd-y`
- `ELASTICHOSTS_CN1` -> `cn-1`

Because of this change main driver class has also been renamed from `libcloud.compute.drivers.elastichosts.ElasticHostsBaseNodeDriver` to `libcloud.compute.drivers.elastichosts.ElasticHostsNodeDriver`.

Only users who directly instantiate a driver and don't use recommended `get_driver` method are affected by this change.

Old code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.ELASTICHOSTS_UK1)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.ELASTICHOSTS_US2)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key')
```

New code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.ELASTICHOSTS)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='lon-p')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='lax-p')
```

Unification of extension arguments for security group handling in the EC2 driver

To unify extension arguments for handling security groups between drivers, `ex_securitygroup` argument in the EC2 `create_node` method has been renamed to `ex_security_groups`.

For backward compatibility reasons, old argument will continue to work for until a next major release.

CloudFiles Storage driver changes

`CLOUDFILES_US` and `CLOUDFILES_UK` provider constants have been deprecated and a new `CLOUDFILES` constant has been added.

User can now use this single constant and specify which region to use by passing `region` argument to the driver constructor.

Old code:

```
from libcloud.storage.types import Provider
from libcloud.storage.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.CLOUDFILES_US)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.CLOUDFILES_UK)

driver1 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
```

New code:

```
from libcloud.compute.types import Provider
from libcloud.compute.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.CLOUDFILES)

driver1 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='dfw')
driver2 = cls('username', 'api_key', region='lon')
```

Rackspace DNS driver changes

Rackspace DNS driver has moved to one class plus `region` argument model. As such, the following provider constants have been deprecated:

- `RACKSPACE_US`
- `RACKSPACE_UK`

And replaced with a single constant:

- `RACKSPACE` - Supported values for `region` arguments are `us`, `uk`. Default value is `us`.

Old code:

```
from libcloud.dns.types import Provider
from libcloud.dns.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_US)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_UK)

driver1 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
```

New code:

```
from libcloud.dns.types import Provider
from libcloud.dns.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)

driver1 = cls1('username', 'api_key', region='us')
driver2 = cls1('username', 'api_key', region='uk')
```

Rackspace load balancer driver changes

Rackspace loadbalancer driver has moved to one class plus `region` argument model. As such, the following provider constants have been deprecated:

- `RACKSPACE_US`
- `RACKSPACE_UK`

And replaced with a single constant:

- `RACKSPACE` - Supported values for `region` arguments are `dfw`, `ord`, `iad`, `lon`, `syd`, `hkg`. Default value is `dfw`.

Old code:

```
from libcloud.loadbalancer.types import Provider
from libcloud.loadbalancer.providers import get_driver

cls1 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_US)
cls2 = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE_UK)

driver1 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
driver2 = cls1('username', 'api_key')
```

New code:

```
from libcloud.loadbalancer.types import Provider
from libcloud.loadbalancer.providers import get_driver

cls = get_driver(Provider.RACKSPACE)

driver1 = cls1('username', 'api_key', region='ord')
driver2 = cls1('username', 'api_key', region='lon')
```

ScriptDeployment and ScriptFileDeployment constructor now takes args argument

`libcloud.compute.deployment.ScriptDeployment` and `libcloud.compute.deployment.ScriptFileDeployment` class constructor now take `args` as a second argument.

Previously this argument was not present and the second argument was `name`.

If you have a code which instantiate those classes directly and passes two or more arguments (not keyword arguments) to the constructor you need to update it to preserve the old behavior.

Old code:

```
sd = ScriptDeployment('#!/usr/bin/env bash echo "ponies!"', 'ponies.sh')
```

New code:

```
sd = ScriptDeployment('#!/usr/bin/env bash echo "ponies!"', None,
                    'ponies.sh')
```

Even better (using keyword arguments):

```
sd = ScriptDeployment(script='#!/usr/bin/env bash echo "ponies!"',
                    name='ponies.sh')
```

Pricing data changes

By default this version of Libcloud tries to read pricing data from the `~/.libcloud/pricing.json` file. If this file doesn't exist, Libcloud falls back to the old behavior and the pricing data is read from the pricing file which is shipped with each release.

For more information, please see [using-custom-pricing-file](#) page.

RecordType ENUM value is now a string

`libcloud.dns.types.RecordType` ENUM value used be an integer, but from this version on, it's now a string. This was done to make it simpler and remove unnecessary indirection.

If you use `RecordType` class in your code as recommended, no changes are required, but if you use integer values directly, you need to update your code to use `RecordType` class otherwise it will break.

OK:

```
# ...
record = driver.create_record(name=www, zone=zone, type=RecordType.A,
                             data='127.0.0.1')
```

Not OK:

```
# ...
record = driver.create_record(name=www, zone=zone, type=0,
                             data='127.0.0.1')
```

Cache busting functionality is now only enabled in Rackspace first-gen driver

Cache busting functionality has been disabled in the Rackspace next-gen driver and all of the OpenStack drivers. It's now only enabled in the Rackspace first-gen driver.

Cache busting functionality works by appending a random query parameter to every GET HTTP request. It was originally added to the Rackspace first-gen driver a long time ago to avoid excessive HTTP caching on the provider side. This excessive caching some times caused `list_nodes` and other calls to return stale data.

This approach should not be needed with Rackspace next-gen and OpenStack drivers so it has been disabled.

No action is required on the user's side.

`libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT_STRICT` variable has been removed

`libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT_STRICT` variable has been introduced in version 0.4.2 when we initially added support for SSL certificate verification. This variable was added to ease the migration from older versions of Libcloud which didn't verify SSL certificates.

In version 0.6.0, this variable has been set to `True` by default and deprecated.

In this release, this variable has been fully removed. For more information on how SSL certificate validation works in Libcloud, see the [SSL Certificate Validation](#) page.

`get_container` method changes in the S3 driver

Previously, the `get_container` method in the S3 driver used a very inefficient approach of using `list_containers` + late filtering.

The code was changed to use a more efficient approach which means using a single HTTP HEAD request.

The only downside of this approach is that it doesn't return container creation date.

If you need the container creation date, you should use `list_containers` method and do the later filtering yourself.

Libcloud 0.8

- `restart_node` method has been removed from the OpenNebula compute driver, because OpenNebula OCCI implementation does not support a proper restart method.
- `ex_save_image` method in the OpenStack driver now returns a `NodeImage` instance.

For a full list of changes, please see the [CHANGES](#) file.

Libcloud 0.7

- For consistency, `public_ip` and `private_ip` attribute on the `Node` object have been renamed to `public_ips` and `private_ips` respectively.

In 0.7 you can still access those attributes using the old way, but this option will be removed in the next major release.

Note: If you have places in your code where you directly instantiate a “`Node`” class, you need to update it.

Old code:

```
node = Node(id='1', name='test node', state=NodeState.PENDING,
           private_ip=['10.0.0.1'], public_ip=['88.77.66.77'],
           driver=driver)
```

Updated code:

```
node = Node(id='1', name='test node', state=NodeState.PENDING,
           private_ips=['10.0.0.1'], public_ips=['88.77.66.77'],
           driver=driver)
```

- Old deprecated paths have been removed. If you still haven't updated your code you need to do it now, otherwise it won't work with 0.7 and future releases.

Bellow is a list of old paths and their new locations:

- `libcloud.base` -> `libcloud.compute.base`
- `libcloud.deployment` -> `libcloud.compute.deployment`
- `libcloud.drivers.*` -> `libcloud.compute.drivers.*`
- `libcloud.ssh` -> `libcloud.compute.ssh`
- `libcloud.types` -> `libcloud.compute.types`
- `libcloud.providers` -> `libcloud.compute.providers`

In the `contrib/` directory you can also find a simple bash script which can perform a search and replace for you - [migrate_paths.py](#).

For a full list of changes, please see the [CHANGES](#) file.

Libcloud 0.6

- SSL certificate verification is now enabled by default and an exception is thrown if CA certificate files cannot be found.

To revert to the old behavior, set `libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT_STRICT` variable to `False`:

```
libcloud.security.VERIFY_SSL_CERT_STRICT = False
```

Note: You are strongly discouraged from disabling SSL certificate validation. If you disable it and no CA certificates files are found on the system you are vulnerable to a man-in-the-middle attack

More information on how to acquire and install CA certificate files on different operating systems can be found on [SSL Certificate Validation page](#)

- OpenStack driver now defaults to using OpenStack 1.1 API.

To preserve the old behavior and use OpenStack 1.0 API, pass `api_version='1.0'` keyword argument to the driver constructor.

For example:

```
Cls = get_provider(Provider.OPENSTACK)
driver = Cls('user_name', 'api_key', False, 'host', 8774, api_version='1.0')
```

- OpenNebula driver now defaults to using OpenNebula 3.0 API

To preserve the old behavior and use OpenNebula 1.4 API, pass `api_version='1.4'` keyword argument to the driver constructor.

For example:

```
Cls = get_provider(Provider.OPENNEBULA)
driver = Cls('key', 'secret', api_version='1.4')
```

For a full list of changes, please see the [CHANGES](#) file.

1.4.3 Security

Reporting a vulnerability

Note: Please do **not** report security issues using our public JIRA instance. Use the private mailing list described below.

If you believe you found a security issue or a vulnerability, please send a description of it to our private mailing list at security@libcloud.apache.org

You are also encouraged to encrypt this email using PGP. Keys of our developers can be found at <https://www.apache.org/dist/libcloud/KEYS>.

Once you've submitted an issue, you should receive an acknowledgment from one our of team members in 48 hours or less. If further action is necessary, you may receive additional follow-up emails.

How are vulnerabilities handled?

We follow a standard Apache Software Foundation vulnerability handling process which is described at <http://www.apache.org/security/committers.html#vulnerability-handling>

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