

Providing Monitoring-as-a-Service for Cloud Management

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Overview

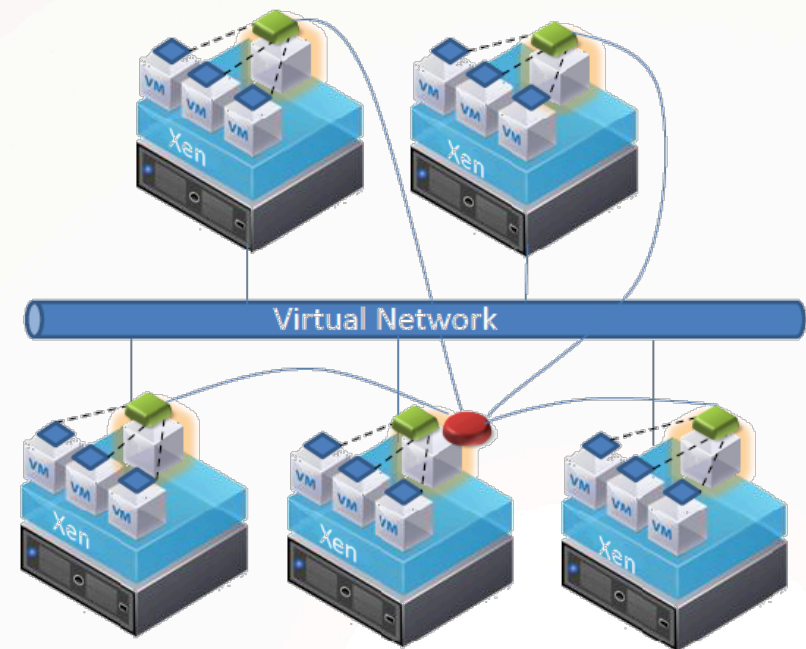
- Monitoring-as-a-Service (MaaS)
 - Various Benefits for both Cloud users and service providers
 - Primitive cloud monitoring services
 - E.g. Cloud Watch, Command Center
- *State Monitoring* is one of the most widely used monitoring services
 - Continuously checking if a certain state of the monitored application/system violates a given condition
 - Examples:
 - Hotspot detection
 - Auto-scaling
 - DDoS detection





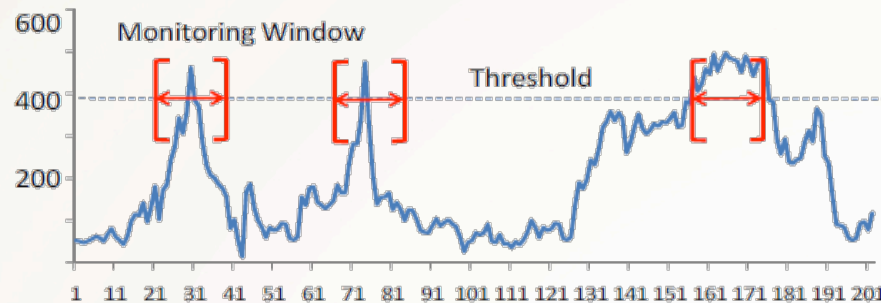
Overview

- Core functional components in state monitoring services
 - Violation Detection
 - State Information Collection
 - Multi-Tenancy Support
- Challenges
 - Violation detection
 - Accuracy, efficiency, scalability
 - State information collection
 - overhead-utility tradeoff
 - Multi-tenancy support
 - Isolation, resource management

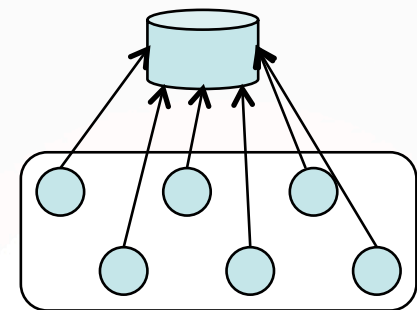


Violation Detection

- Definition
 - Given collected monitoring data, determine whether there exists an state violation

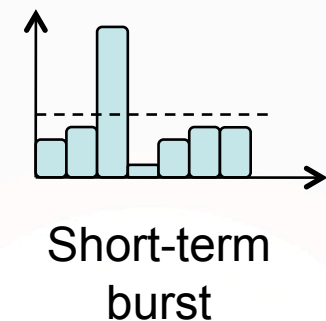
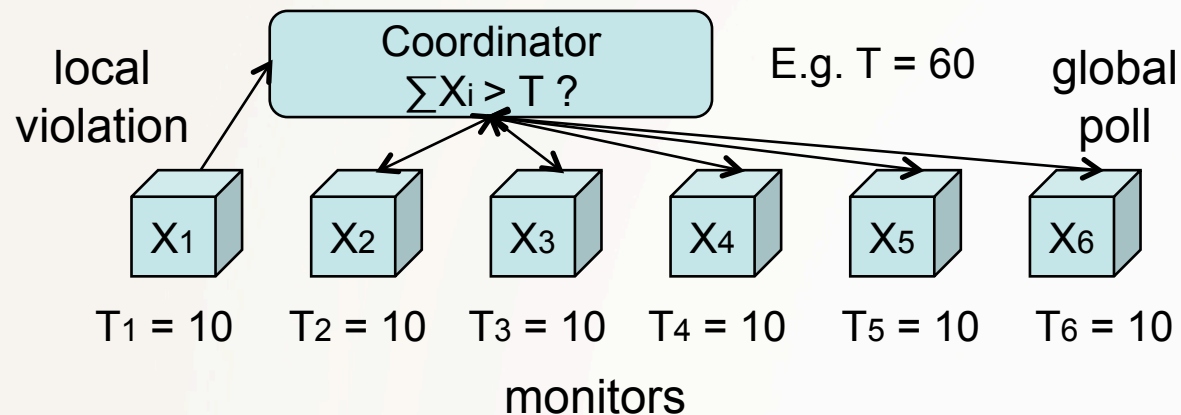


- Existing techniques
 - Centralized detection
 - Collecting all monitoring data to a central point
 - Perform violation detection
 - Issues
 - high monitoring cost (communication)
 - Poor scalability (central point)



Violation Detection

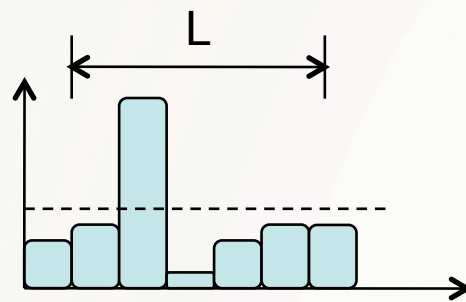
- Existing techniques (cont'd)
 - Instantaneous distributed detection
 - Reduces communication cost
 - Issues
 - vulnerable to transient data outliers and noises
 - Expensive counter-measures



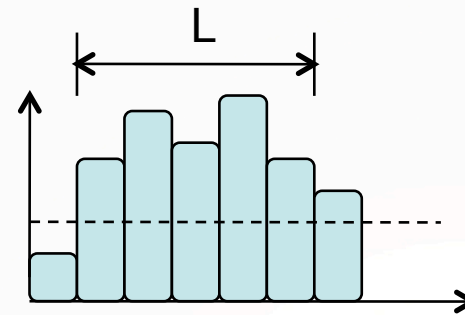


Violation Detection

- We propose distributed window based detection
 - In addition to threshold T , detecting continuous violation within a time window L
 - Robust to short-term bursts
 - Straightforward concept, but less intuitive distributed implementation...



Short-term burst

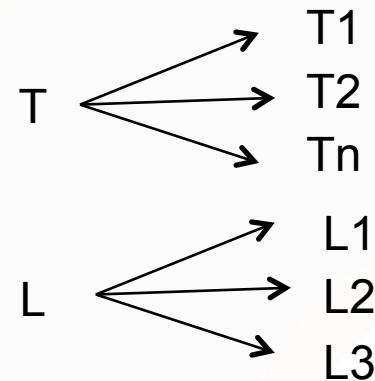
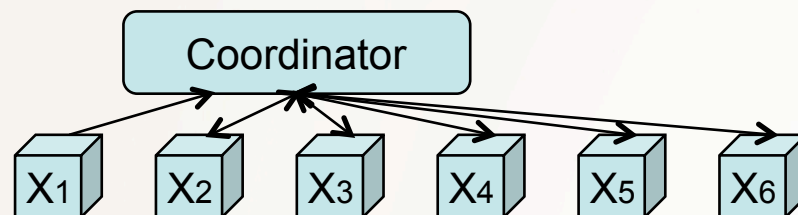


Persistent violation



Violation Detection

- Challenges in distributed implementation
 - Global-to-local task decoupling now involves monitoring time window (besides a threshold)
 - Ensure monitoring correctness
 - Can we also leverage monitoring time window to achieve even better communication efficiency?





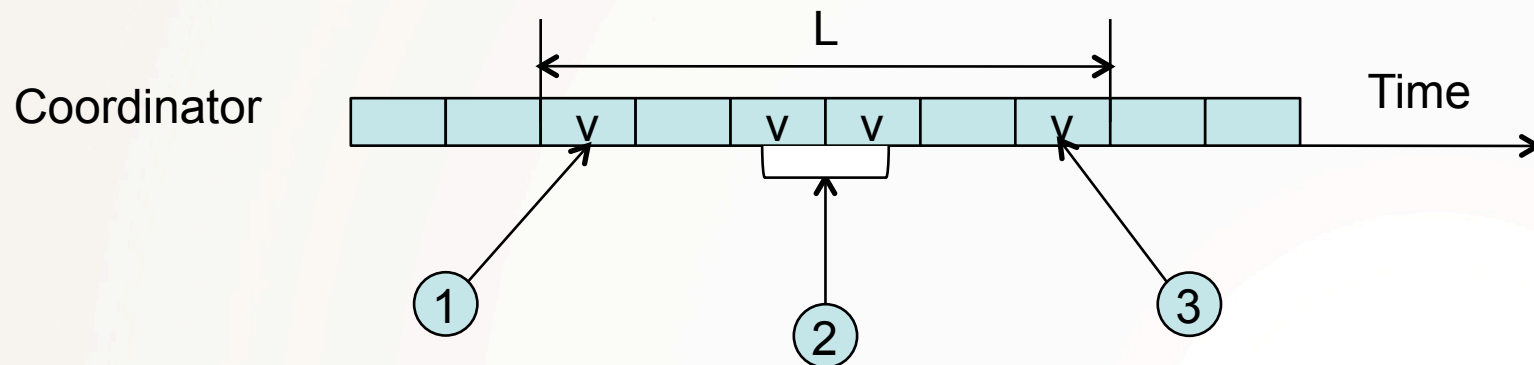
Violation Detection

- Our approach
 - Detection algorithm → correctness
 - Monitor-side algorithm
 - Coordinator-side algorithm
 - Monitoring parameter tuning → efficiency
 - Global optimization based tuning
 - Local observation based tuning



Violation Detection

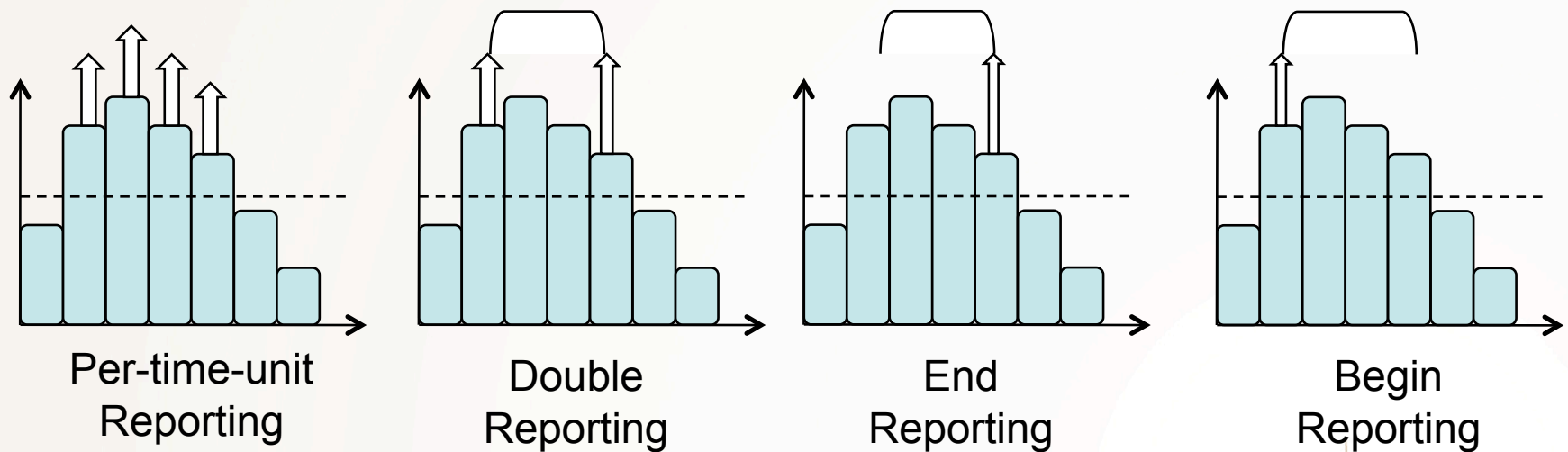
- Window-based monitoring algorithm
 - Coordinator side
 - State violation requires $\sum X_i > T$ to be *continuous*
 - “Gaps” in a time window \rightarrow no violation \rightarrow no need to do global poll
 - Staged global polls





Violation Detection

- Window-based monitoring algorithm
 - Monitor side
 - Reporting scheme and correctness
 - Monitors often observe continuous local violations
 - E.g. continuous high cpu utilization on a cluster node
 - Intelligently reporting *continuous* local violations





Violation Detection

- Monitoring efficiency and parameter tuning
 - The detection algorithm itself already provides considerable communication saving
 - E.g. for a window size of 15, about 33% reduction in communication cost
 - Further improvement can be achieved with parameter tuning
 - parameters: monitor-side local threshold and windows
 - Tuning is necessary for several reasons
 - Different monitored value patterns on different monitors
 - Such patterns may also change overtime



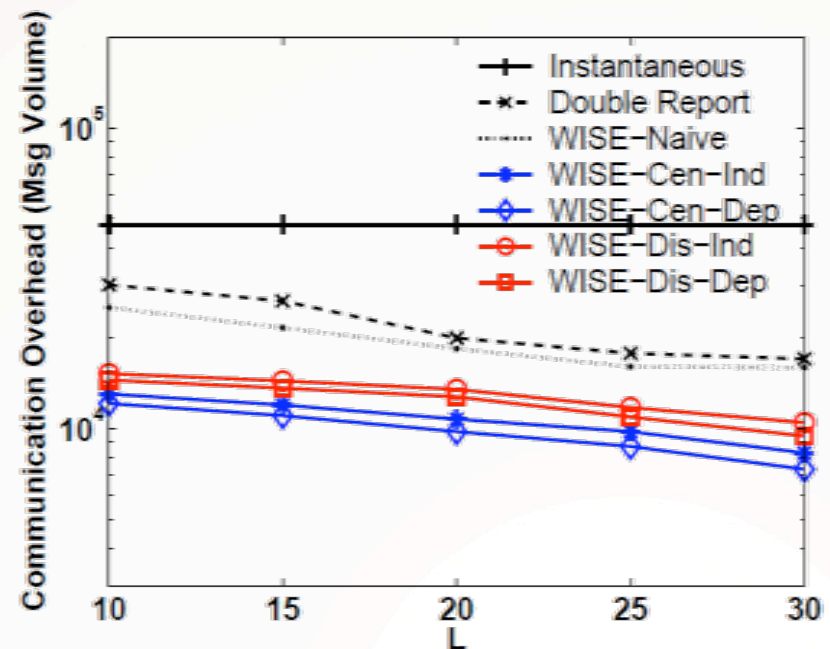
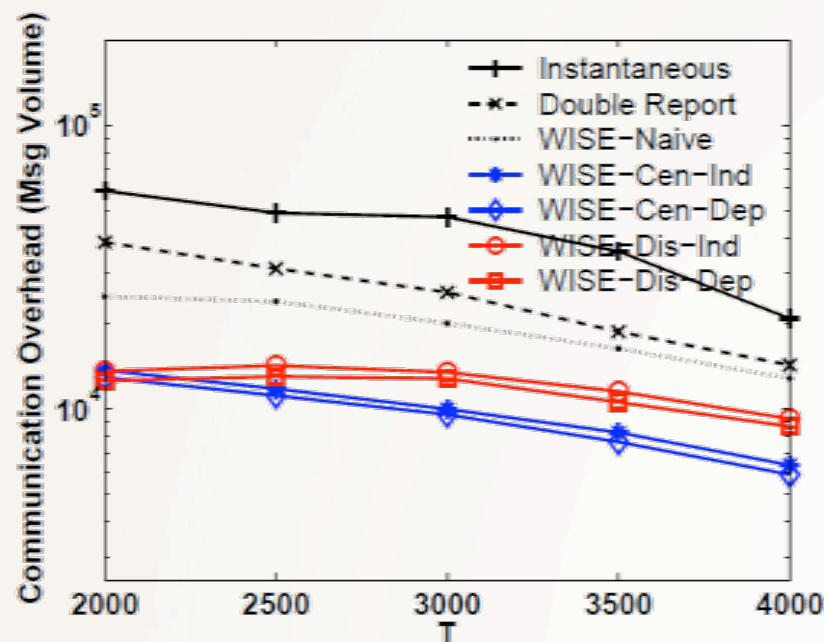
Violation Detection

- Parameter tuning schemes
 - Global optimization scheme
 - Collecting monitored value distribution and perform optimization with global information
 - Good performance, limited scalability
 - Reactive turning scheme
 - React to local observations
 - Local violation report -> increase local threshold/window
 - Global poll -> reduce local threshold/window
 - Slightly worse performance, significant better scalability



Violation Detection

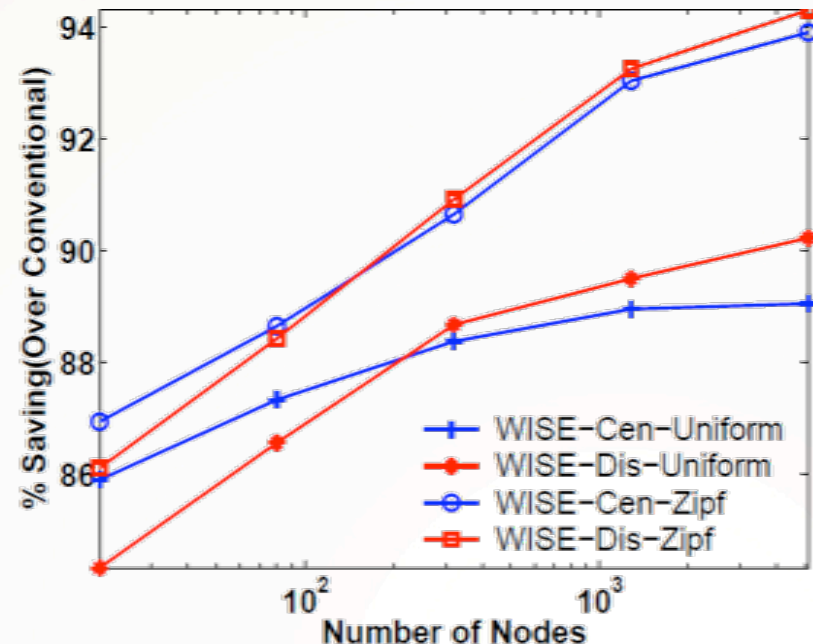
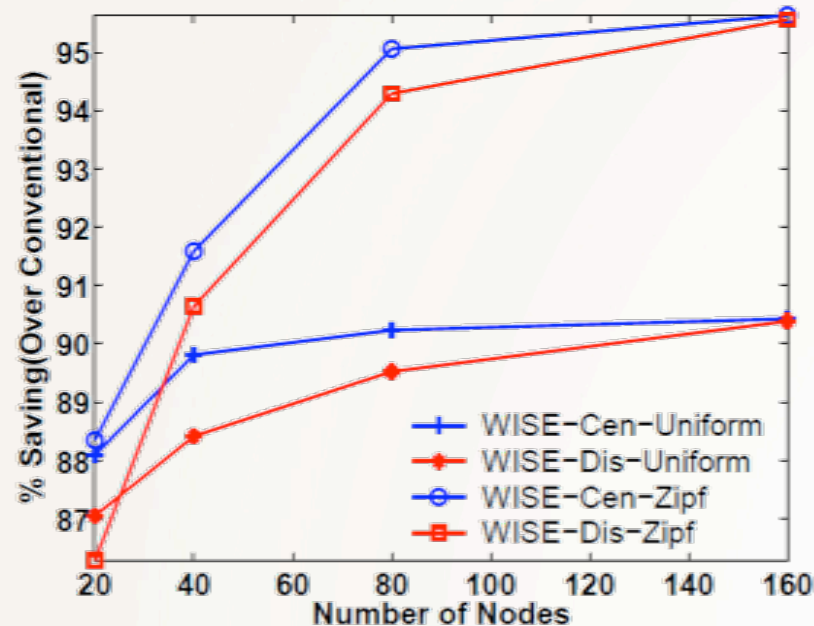
- A Quick look of Results
 - 50%-90% reduction in monitoring related messages





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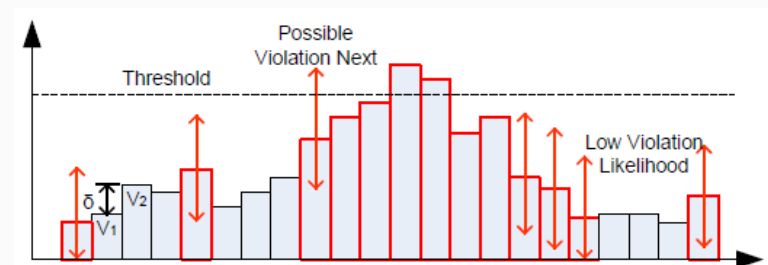
- A Quick look of Results (cont'd)
 - Reactive tuning scales better than global optimization based tuning





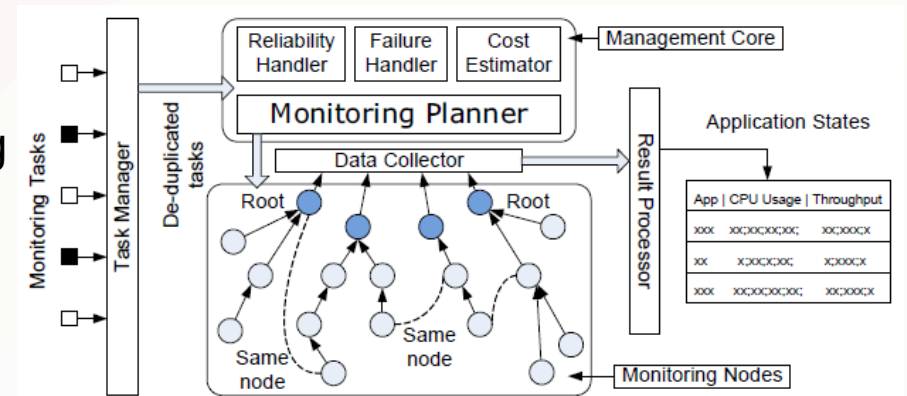
State Information Collection

- Periodical Collection
 - The only option for state monitoring in most monitoring systems.
 - Cost-accuracy dilemma
- Violation-Likelihood Based Collection
 - Likelihood of detecting violation
 - Adjusting collection frequency based on VL
 - Maintaining a given accuracy goal
 - Benefits
 - Better service consolidation
 - Lower monitoring cost for customers
- Results
 - Up to 90% cost reduction in state information collection
 - Negligible mis-detection rate



Multi-tenancy Support

- Multi-tenancy in Monitoring Service
 - Indispensable
 - Challenges
- Resource-Aware Planning
 - Monitoring communication layer
 - Communication topology planning
 - Per-node available resources
 - Per-node monitoring workload
 - Minimizing duplicated workload
 - Benefits
 - Avoid inter-task interference
 - Better scalability
- Results
 - 35%-45% error reduction in attribute value collection





Conclusion and Ongoing Work

- MaaS and Cloud
 - MaaS will make Cloud management easier and more efficient
 - There are also many challenges ahead waiting us in delivering MaaS.
- Ongoing work
 - Reliability support in MaaS
 - Cloud application deployment support with MaaS

- Related publications

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