

# Spécification et analyse formelle des politiques de sécurité dans le cloud computing

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## Problematic & Motivation

- Cloud brokers negotiate only service and resources requirements
- Cloud brokers do not consider security requirements

## Contribution

- 1 The customer can specify the requirements for the resources to deploy in the cloud
- 2 Formal verification of the cloud systems and the security policies
- 3 Using the Alloy language for the requirements specification
- 4 Using Alloy analyzer to check the satisfiability of security and access control properties

# General Process

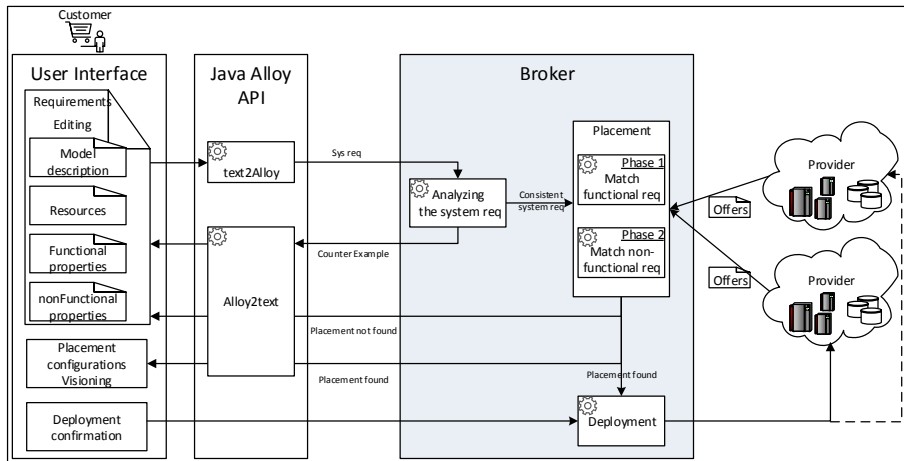


Figure: The workflow of the broker application

# Requirements specification

- The model: virtual machines (vms), storage nodes
- Functional requirements (cpu, ram and storage)
- Non-functional requirements (security, usage and access control)

# Non-functional requirements I

## Usage properties

Collaboration, Concurrence, Isolation

- The customer specifies the type of relations between resources
- Collaborating vms should be related by information flows
- Concurrent vms should not be related by information flows

## Security Properties

Confidentiality, Integrity, Privilege separation, Placement constraints

- Concurrent vms should be allocated on different clusters, and should not be related by information flows
- Collaborating vms should reside the same cluster, and should be related by information flows

# Non-functional requirements II

## Access Control

Specify rules to manage how final users can access to the client resources

- A user having the visitor status cannot write a comment on a document
- A user cannot access to two concurrent vms

# Formal verification

- Using Alloy analyzer for the automatic syntactic and semantic verification
- Detection conflicts in the description
- Verification of the consistency of the customer's system
- Verification of the satisfiability of security properties
- Alloy returns a counter-example when a specification is not satisfied
- Alloy places the resources in cloud providers, in a way that fulfills all customer requirements



# Alloy example I

## Security property

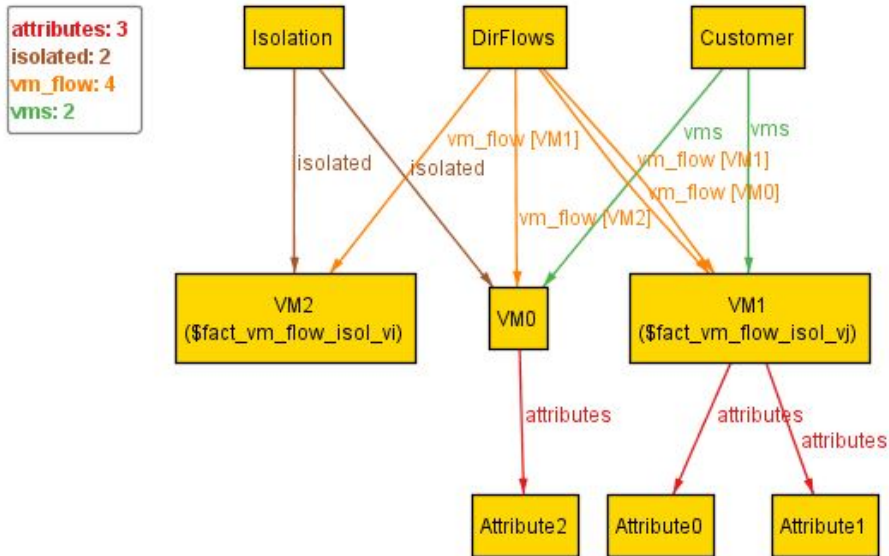
There is no information that flows into or outside all isolated vms

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sig Customer{vms: some VM}
sig VM{attributes: set Attribute}
sig Attribute{}
abstract one sig DirFlows{vm_flow: set VM->VM }
abstract one sig Isolation{isolated: set VM}

pred fact_vm_flow_isol{ all vi:VM | no vj: VM |
vi in Isolation.isolated &&
(vi->vj in DirFlows.vm_flow || vj->vi in DirFlows.vm_flow)}

check {fact_vm_flow_isol}
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## Alloy example II



# Conclusion

- 1 Describe a general process for cloud brokering considering security [1, 2]
- 2 Use formal language to describe complex cloud systems, and to express fine grained security requirements
- 3 Using formal methods to place resources in the cloud
- 4 Using formal methods to analyze complex cloud systems, to check their consistency and the satisfiability of security policies.



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