

Snapshot, Clone, and Boot from volume

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Snapshot and Clone

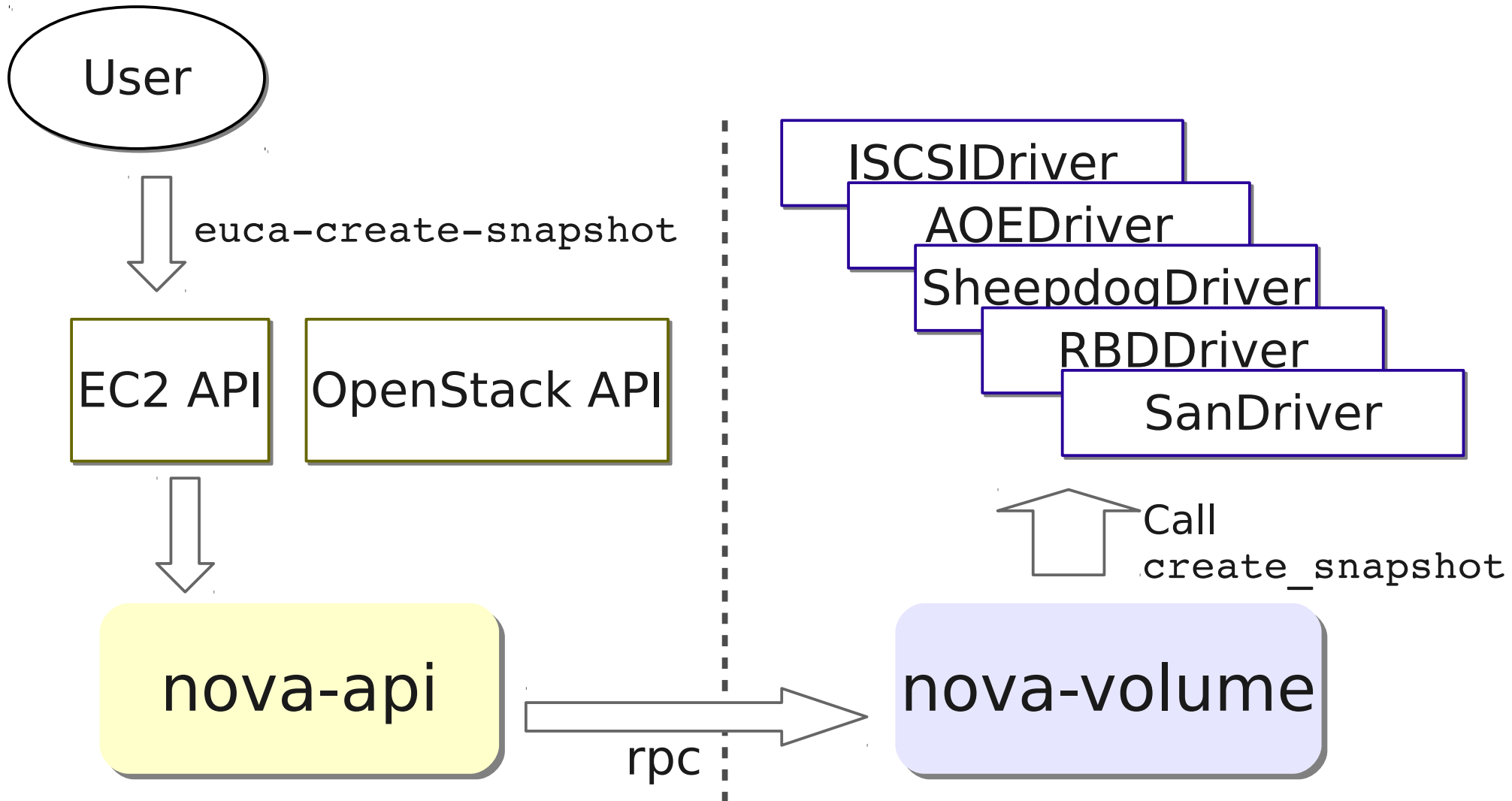
- Snapshot
 - Create a self-consistent image of the volume
 - You can use snapshots to take backups

```
$ ec2-create-snapshot volume_id
```

- Clone
 - Create a new volume from the snapshot
 - You can create lots of same volumes from one golden snapshot

```
$ ec2-create-volume --snapshot snapshot_id -z zone
```

Implementation



New methods to volume driver

```
class VolumeDriver(object):  
  
    ...  
  
    def create_snapshot(self, snapshot):  
        """Creates a snapshot."""  
        raise NotImplementedError()  
  
    def delete_snapshot(self, snapshot):  
        """Deletes a snapshot."""  
        raise NotImplementedError()  
  
    def create_volume_from_snapshot(self, volume, snapshot):  
        """Creates a volume from a snapshot."""  
        raise NotImplementedError()
```

DB schema changes (1)

- Create new table *Snapshot*

```
snapshots = Table('snapshots', meta,
    Column('created_at', DateTime()),
    Column('updated_at', DateTime()),
    Column('deleted_at', DateTime()),
    Column('deleted', Boolean()),
    Column('id', Integer(), primary_key=True),
    Column('volume_id', Integer()),
    Column('user_id', String()),
    Column('project_id', String()),
    Column('status', String()),
    Column('progress', String()),
    Column('volume_size', Integer()),
    Column('scheduled_at', DateTime()),
    Column('display_name', String()),
    Column('display_description', String())
)
```

DB schema changes (2)

- adds a new column *snapshot_id* to the table *volumes*

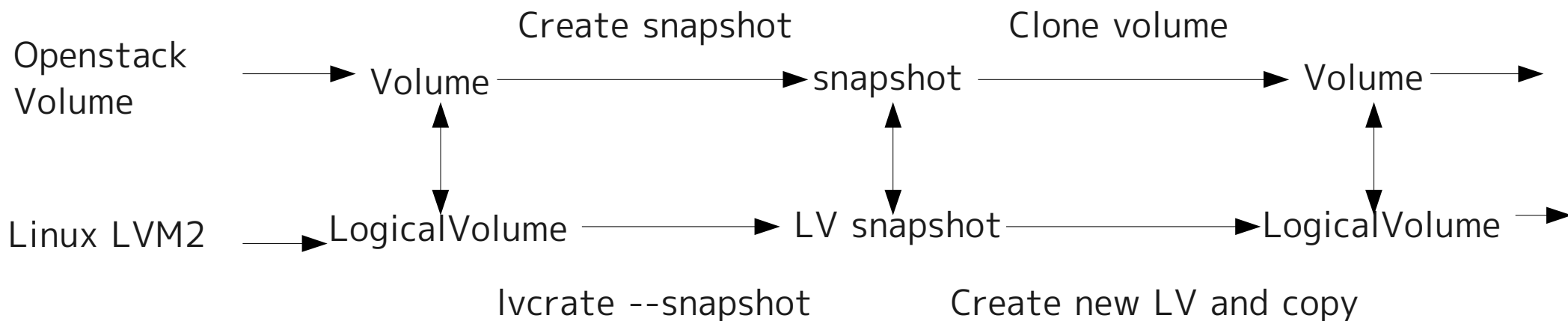
```
snapshot_id = Column('snapshot_id', Integer())
```

Where to store snapshots

- Amazon EC2 stores EBS snapshots to S3
- Where should Nova store volume snapshots?
 - To Swift?
 - To Glance?
 - To nothing? (only stored in nova-volume)

Snapshot/clone with Linux LVM2

- Linux LVM2 doesn't support snapshot of snapshot.
- If deleting the origin volume, the dependent snapshots will also be deleted
 - EC2 allows delete volume/snapshot independently: abandon this feature for now



Boot from volume(EBS boot)

Block Device Mapping
To override machine image
From command line

<device>=<id>:<size(GiB)>:<DeleteOnTerminate>
e.g. /dev/sda=snap-00000003:10:false

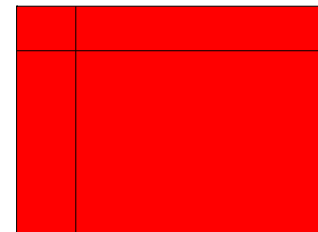
Passing down BDM argument
to compute node

Machine
Image

euca-run-instances
launching

running

Block device mapping in db



euca-stop-instance
stopping

stopped

euca-start-instance
pending

running

euca-terminatate-instance

Delete volumes

terminating

→ Instance

- - - - -> Data flow

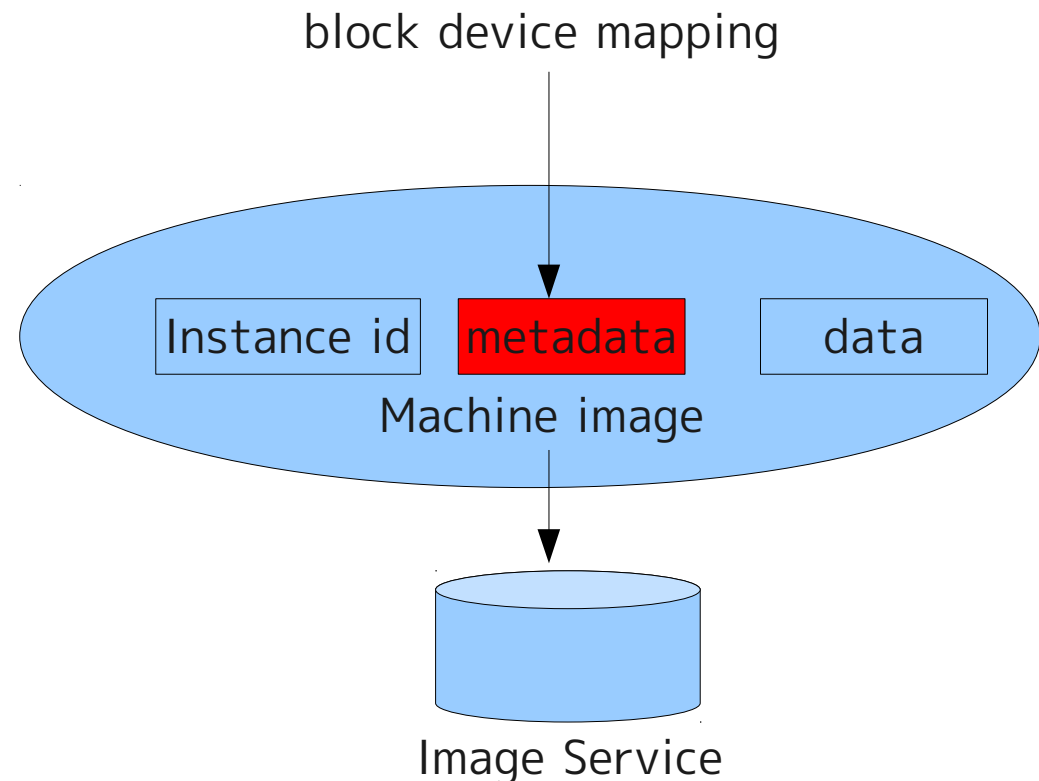
Green: what I've implemented

Red: to be implemented

Create volume from snapshot

Machine Image changes

- +Machine Image Type: S3 or EBS
- +Block device mapping
 - +Snapshot id or volume id or virtual device
 - EC2 allows only snapshot id
 - +Volume Size
 - +DeleteOnTerminate
- +Root Device
- ec2-create-image
- ec2-register



DB schema changes

- Volume Table
 - +DeleteOnTerminate
- +BlockDeviceMapping Table
 - +instance id
 - +Device Name(device name in guest)
 - +Mapped device
 - +Virtual device(ephemeral0...) local storage which isn't persistent
 - +Volume
 - Snapshot id or Volume id
 - Volume Size in GiB
 - DeleteOnTerminate: bool
 - +No Device

start/stop Instance

- start/stop instance
 - Mostly same to run/terminate instance except db manipulation
- New status
 - Stopping/stopped/pending