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TESTING ASYNCHRONOUS APIS

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Agenda

- The system under test – what is Project-FiFo
- The Problem
- Building the model
- Conclusion



What is Project-FiFo

- Cloud Orchestration (think Open Stack)
- Manage private and public clouds
- Based on SmartOS / Solaris Containers (aka Zones)
- OSS and Commercial Support

The system under test



What is Project-FiFo

- Self hosted
- Distributed
- Highly available
- **Eventually consistent**

The system under test



Architecture

The system under test

HTTP / REST API



AAA: OAuth2, RBAC



Business logic, database, tracking



Agents to manage physical components





Testing

- Testing components and libraries in isolation
- Unit tests
- EQC properties
- riak_test (testing for distributed components)

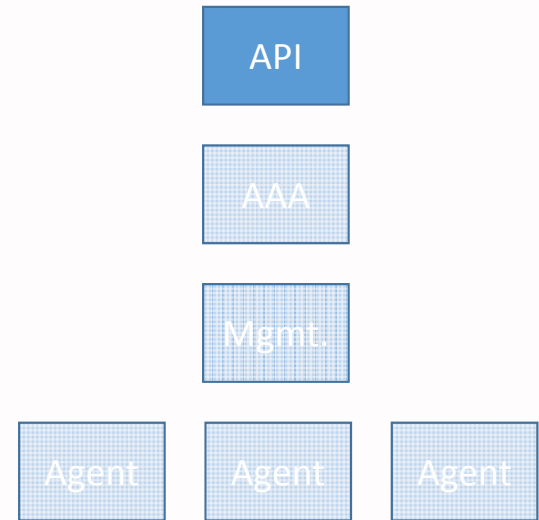
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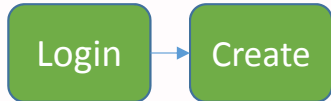
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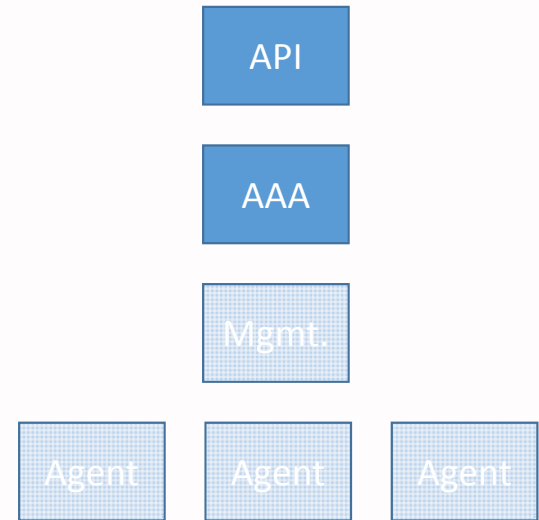
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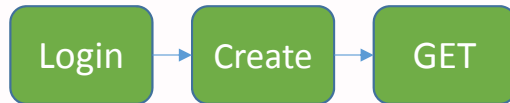
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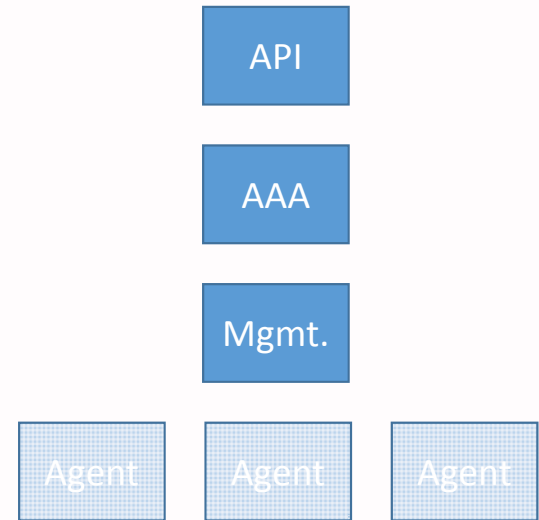
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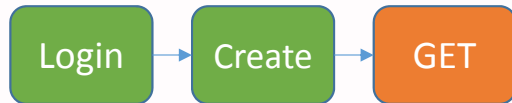
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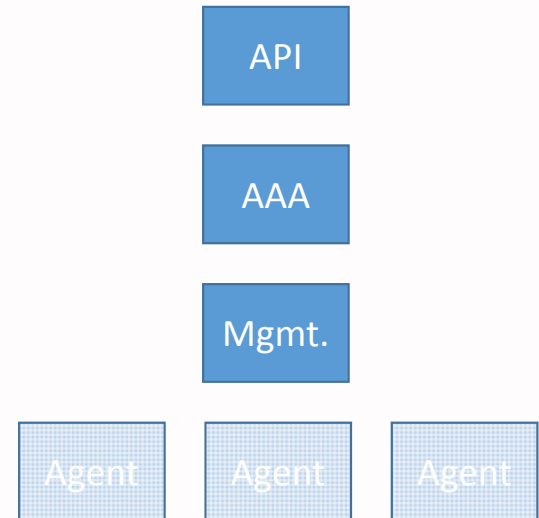


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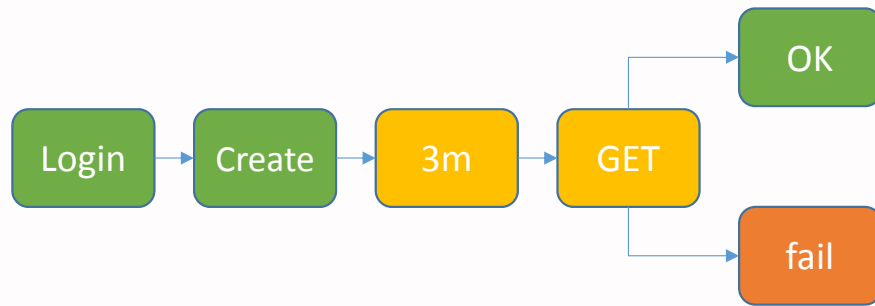


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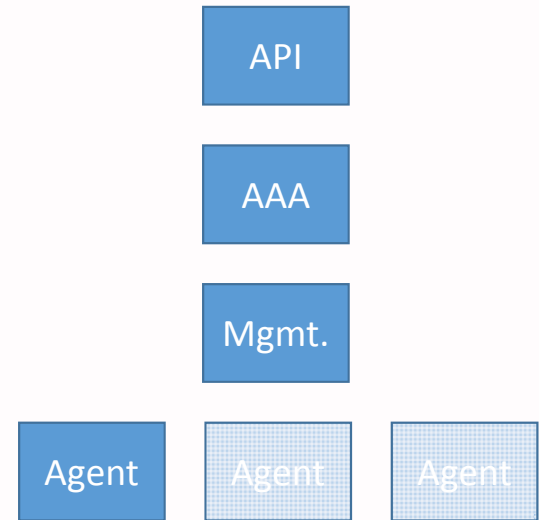
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Lets test



The problem





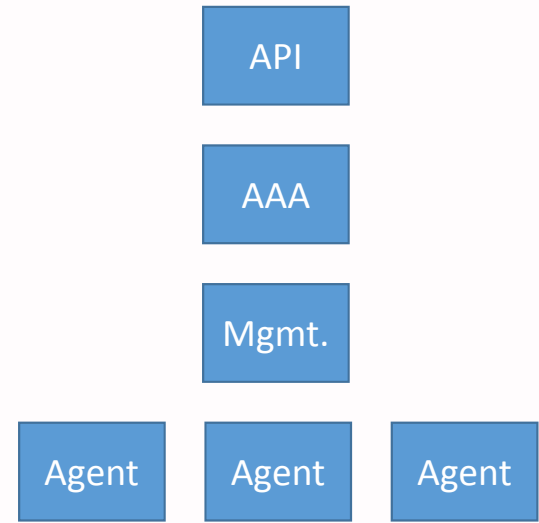
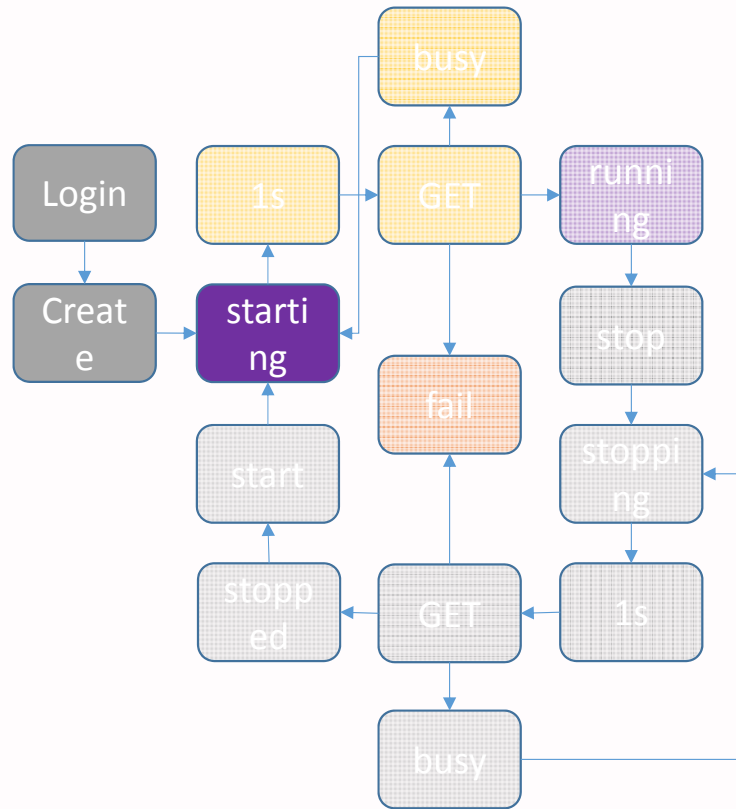
The problem

- Tests in isolation
- Limited interaction
- OS, hardware, network are part of the system
- We don't know when a command finishes

The problem

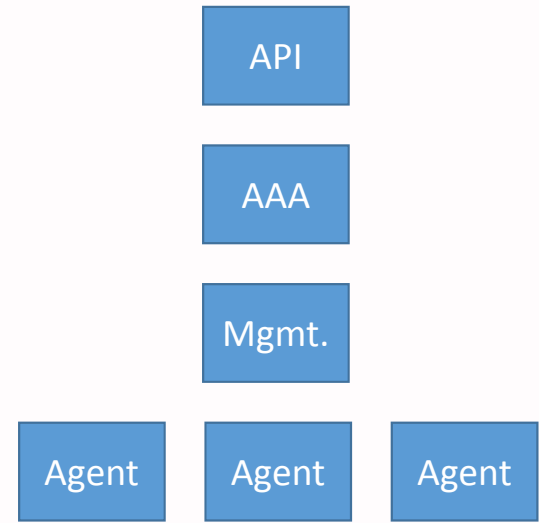
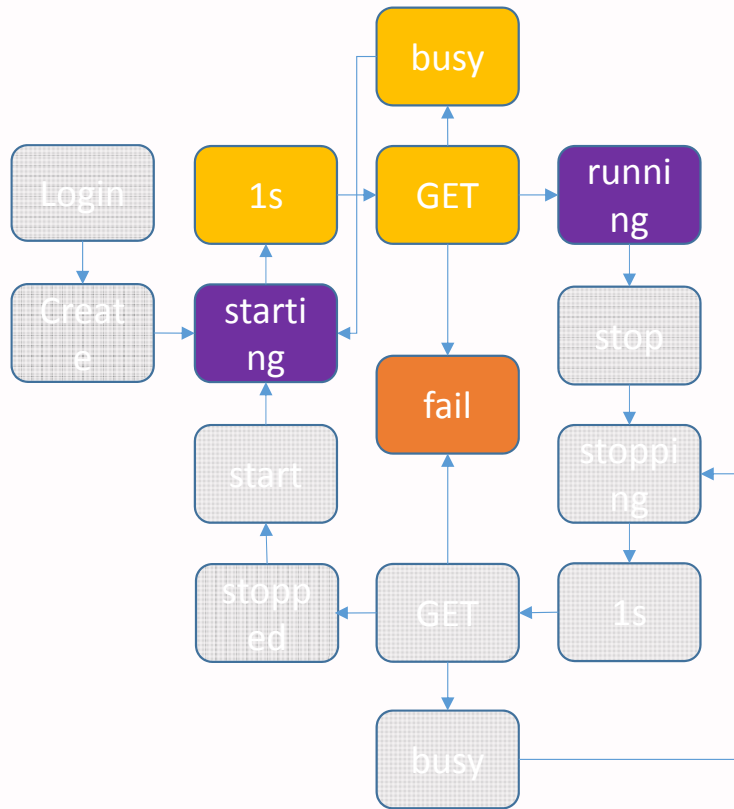
Create a VM

Building the model



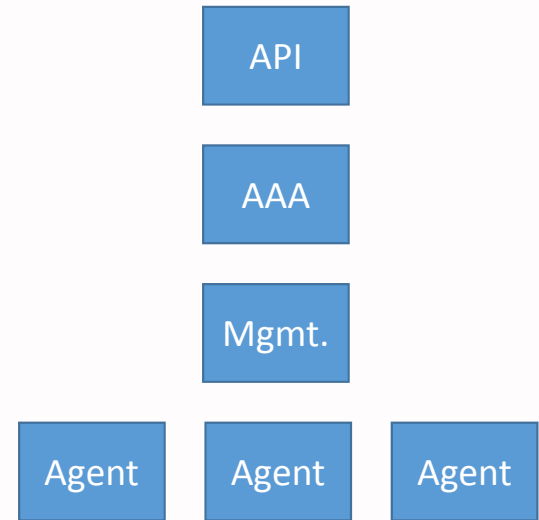
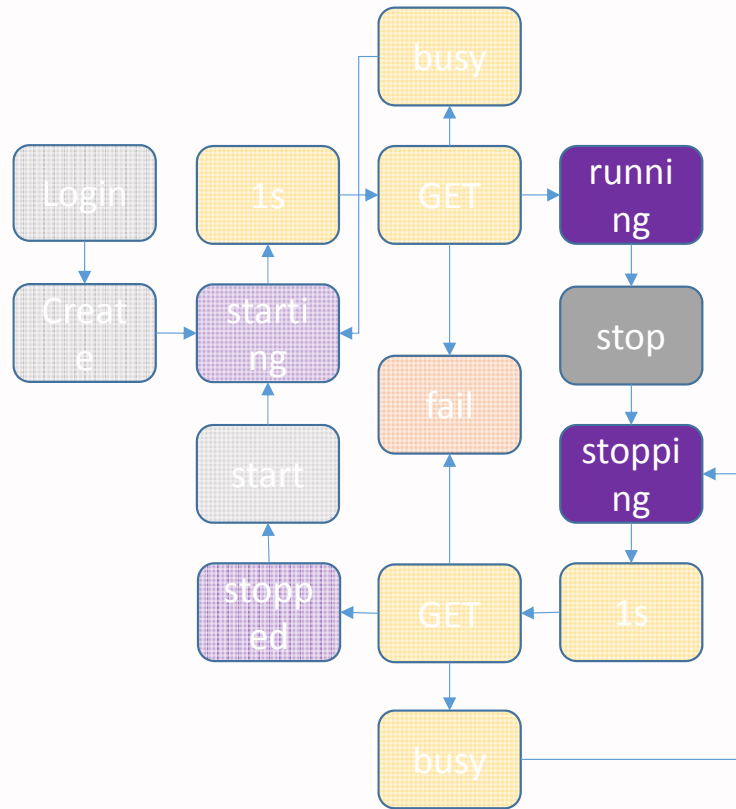
Wait for a VM to be running

Building the model



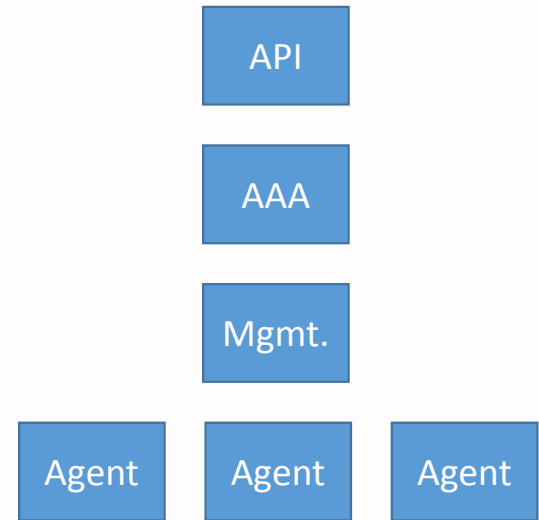
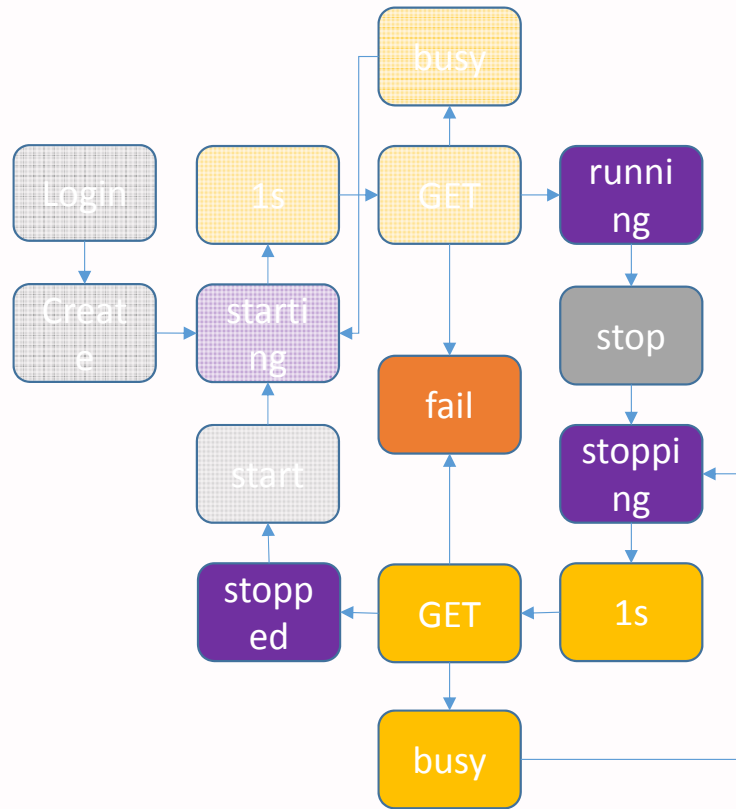
Stop a VM

Building the model



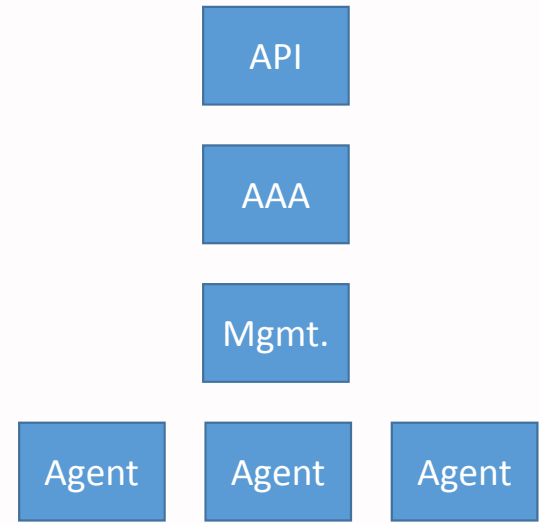
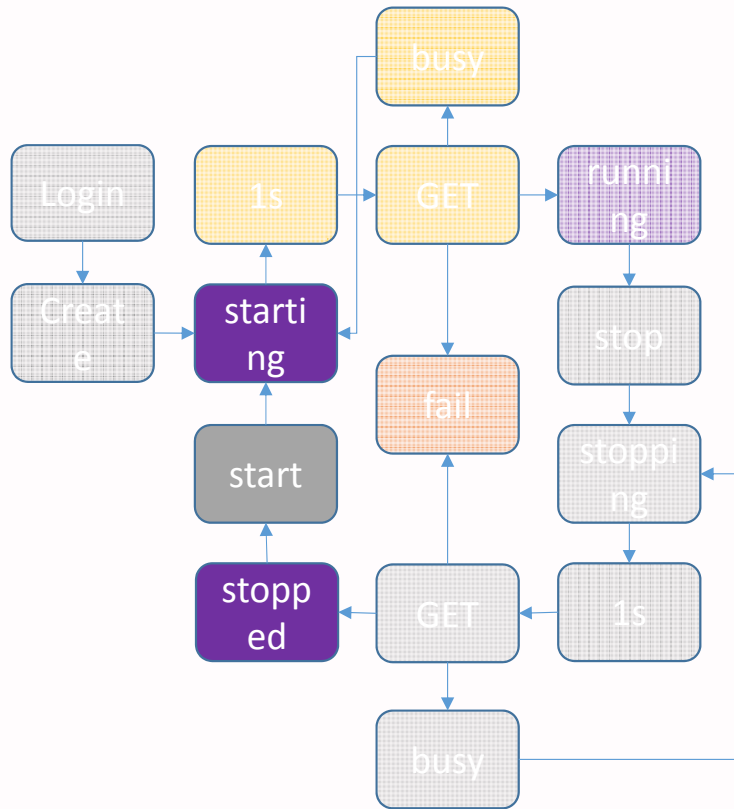
Wait for a VM to stop

Building the model



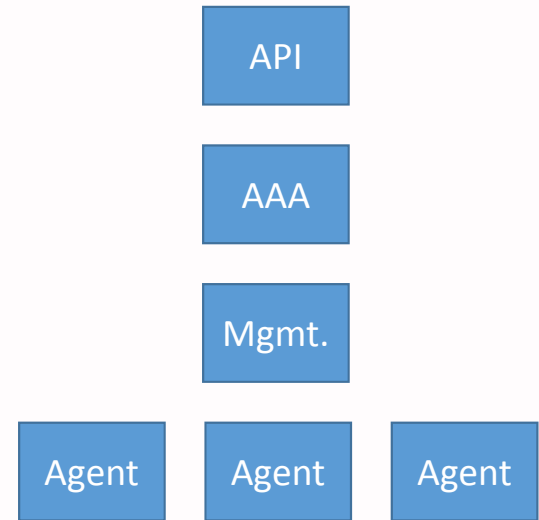
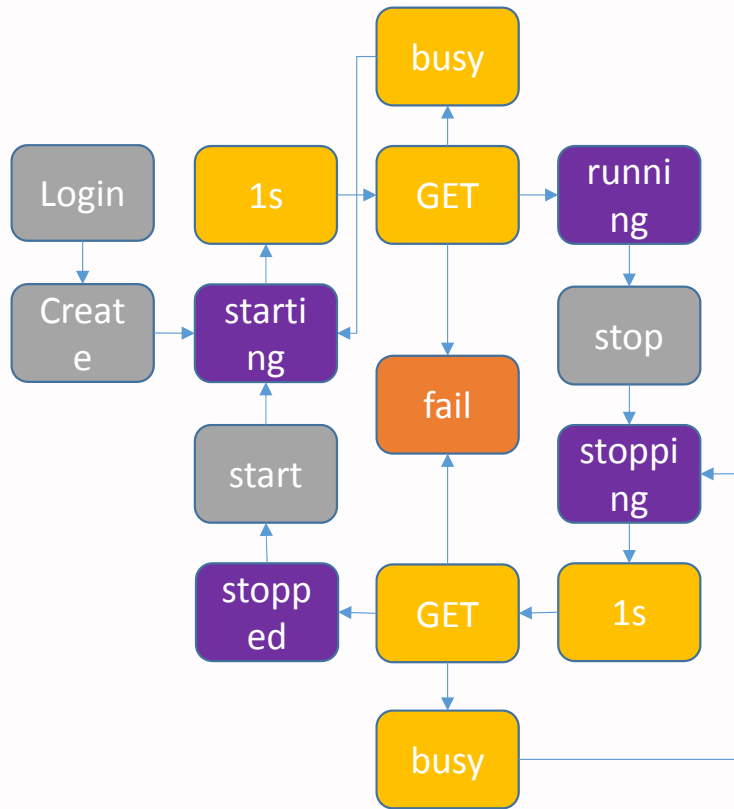
Starts VM

Building the model

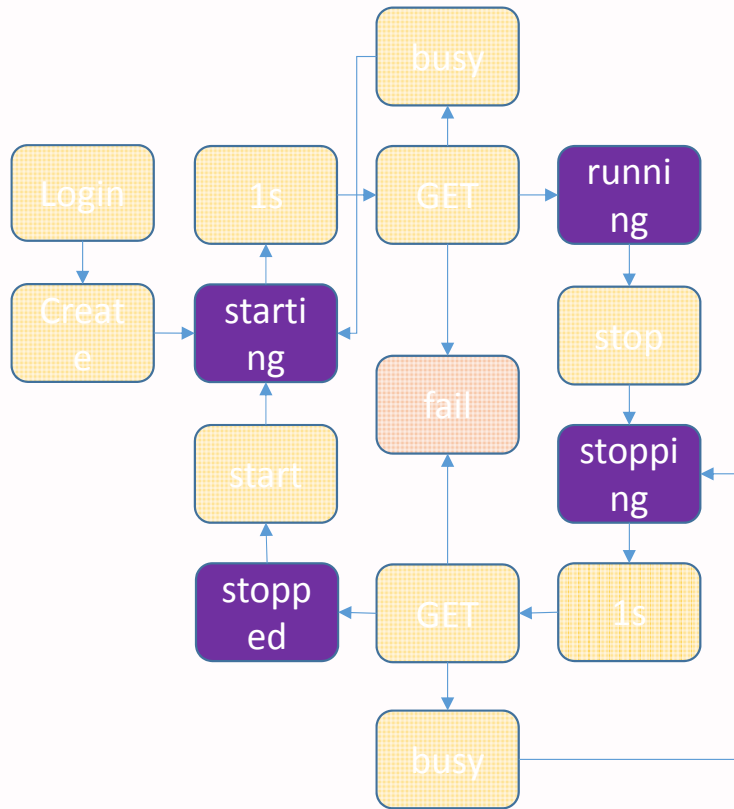


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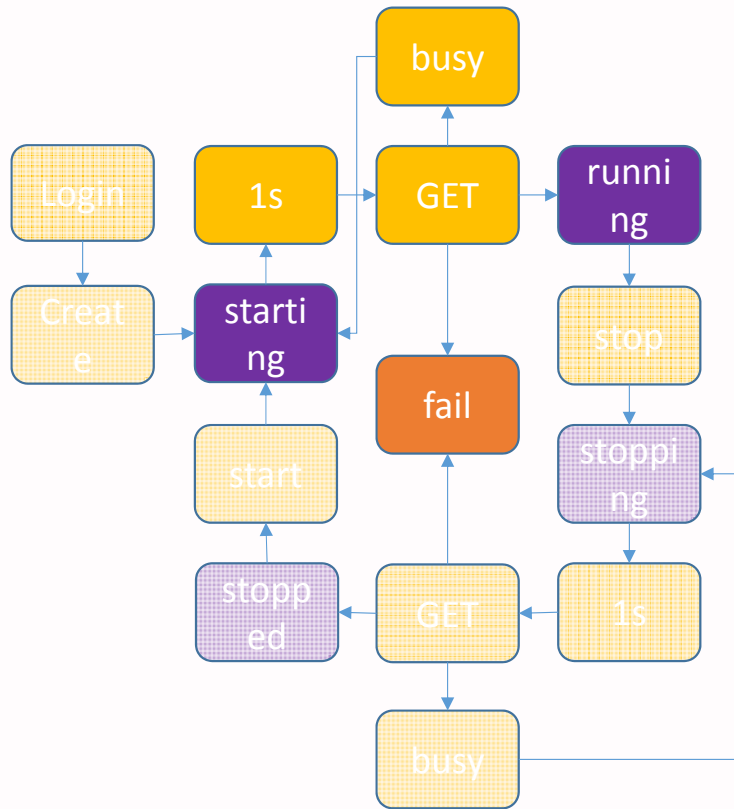


- VM's powering up
- Running VM's
- VM's that are being stopped
- Stopped VM's

Building the model

Transitions

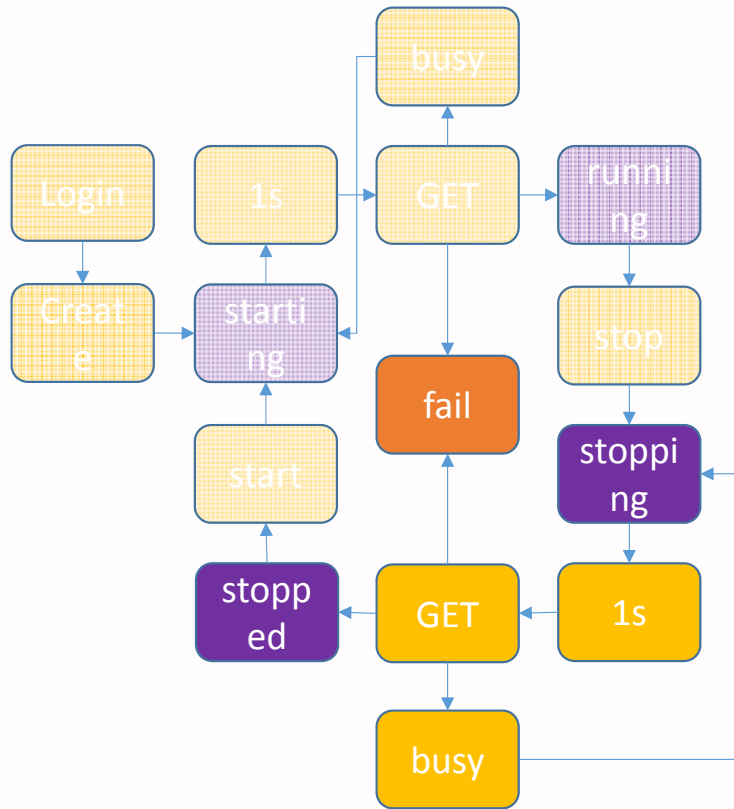
Building the model



- Starting
 - Started -> running
 - Timeout -> failed
 - Still starting -> starting

transitions

Building the model



- Stopping
 - stopp ed-> stopp ed
 - Timeout -> failed
 - Still stopp ing-> stopp ing



What do we get out of it

- Concurrent creations
- More transitions
- Concurrency of multiple users
- High test density
 - **458** LOC
 - Including the described model
 - VM deletion
 - Permission validation (user A doesn't see / access user B's VMs)

Conclusion



Testing the full stack, upside

- Interactions between components
- More complex error cases can be caught
- Observe behavior in real conditions



Testing the full stack, downside

- More complex test cases
- Need to understand the system well
- Need really good logging
- Erlang observability is a big help
- Long running tests (hours not seconds)

Conclusion



What is next

- Extending the model
- Testing for failures
- Test automation
- Test coverage



Beyond development

- Deployment testing
 - After initial installation.
 - Validates functionality.
 - Part of customer handoff.
- Continuous testing
 - System build for concurrent use/load.
 - Never ending tests.
 - Constant validation of functionality.
 - Part of alerting/monitoring strategy.
 - Possibility to get very complex test cases.

Conclusion