The Cloud Computing and Distributed Systems Laboratory (CLOUDS) is a software research and innovation group at the University of Melbourne, Australia. The Lab is actively engaged in design and development of next-generation computing systems and applications that aggregate by dynamically leasing services of distributed resources depending on their availability, capability, performance, cost, and users’ QoS requirements.

The Cloudbus project, an initiative that started in 2008 by the CLOUDS lab at the University of Melbourne, facilitates the realization of the above vision. The project developed innovative solutions for market-oriented Cloud computing. The current innovative developments include: (i) Aneka, a platform for developing and managing Cloud computing applications from market-oriented perspective; (ii) InterCloud, a framework for internetworking of Cloud service providers, dynamically creating federated computing environments, and scaling of distributed applications; (iii) CloudSim, a simulation framework that allows researchers to control every aspect of a Cloud environment: algorithms, platforms, and infrastructure; and (iv) Workflow Engine, a management platform that facilitates the creation, deployment and monitoring of complex applications modeled in a systematic and orderly manner in Cloud computing environments.

**THE CLOUDBUS PROJECT**

The Cloudbus project is engaged in the creation of open-source specifications, architecture and a reference Cloud toolkit implementation of market-oriented cloud computing. Some of our technologies serve as foundation for industrial solutions offered by Manjrasoft to its customers worldwide.

*The research probes include:*
- Market Oriented Cloud Architecture
- Enterprise Cloud Application Platform (Aneka)
- Cloud Service Broker
- Cloud Workflows and Scheduling
- Service Level Agreements & Resource Allocation Systems
- Software-Defined Networks
- Energy-Efficient Data Centers and Clouds
- Cloud Simulation Toolkit (CloudSim)
- InterCloud – Peering and Federation of Clouds
- Fog Computing and iFogSim
- Smart Cities and IoT (Internet of Things)
- Application Targets include: ECG Monitoring and Analysis, Data Mining and Business Analytics, Brain Imaging (Dartmouth Medical School), and Geophysics (Intrepid).

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