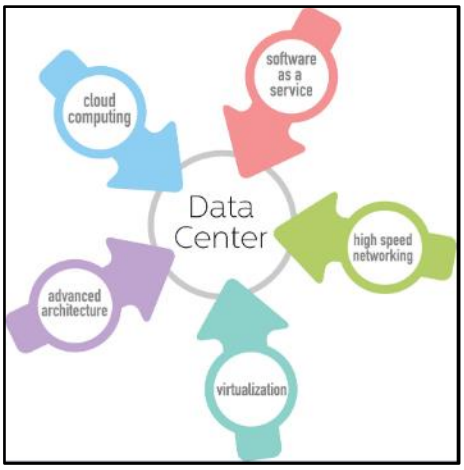
Cloud Computing Module-1:

1. Data Center:

A data canter is a centralized facility where an organization consolidates its server equipment into a single physical location.

This is made possible by high-speed computer networks, allowing employees in different departments to access the servers over the network.

The consolidation into a data center offers several advantages, including lower capital expenses and the ability to choose a uniform configuration for all servers.



A modern data center concentrates an organization's data systems in a well-protected physical infrastructure, which includes:

- Server;
- storage subsystems;
- networking switches, routers, and firewalls;
- cabling; And
- Physical racks for organizing and interconnecting IT equipment.

2. Cloud Computing:

Cloud computing is a model that facilitates convenient, on-demand access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (networks, servers, storage, applications, and services). Key characteristics include:

- **On-Demand Access:** Resources are available when needed, with user control for efficient utilization.
- **Scalability:**

  Ability to scale resources up or down based on requirements.
- **Multi-Tenancy:**

  Sharing resources, like hardware, is transparent to users, with the cloud provider ensuring security.
- **Self-Service:**

  Automated processes for billing, provisioning, and deployment, minimizing manual intervention.
- **Reliability:**

  Cloud providers commit to high uptimes, ensuring the reliability of services.
- **Utility-Based Subscription:**

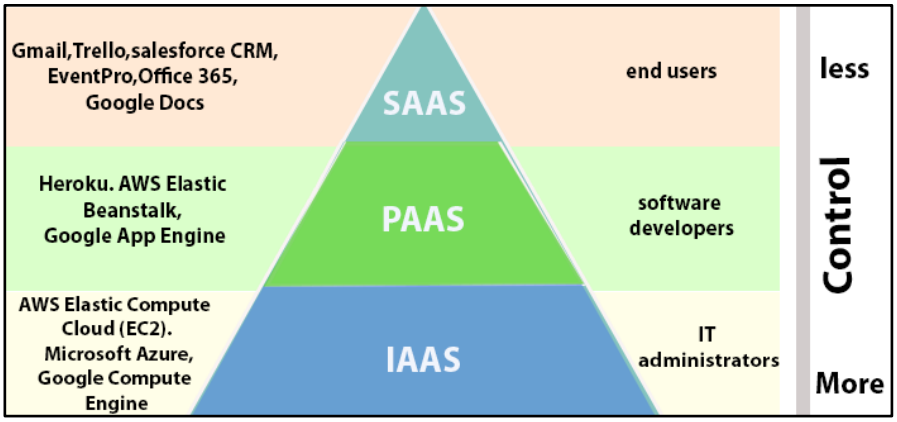
  Payment model is similar to a utility bill, eliminating upfront investment.

Cloud computing offers flexibility, scalability, and cost-effectiveness, with a focus on user convenience and efficient resource management.

3. Cloud Service Model OR Service Categories

There are the following three types of cloud service models -

- Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)
- Platform as a Service (PaaS)
- Software as a Service (SaaS)



1. Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS):

- **Definition:** Rent IT infrastructure such as servers, virtual machines, storage, networks, and operating systems from a cloud service vendor.
    - **Flexibility:** Maximum flexibility to install and manage applications, but the user needs to handle maintenance aspects.
    - **Example:** Creation of VMs running Windows or Linux with full control over software installations.

2. Platform as a Service (PaaS):

- **Definition:** Offers an on-demand environment for developing, testing, delivering, and managing software applications.
- **Flexibility and Management:** Reduced flexibility compared to IaaS, as the developer is responsible for the application, while the vendor manages the environment.
- **Example:** Cloud vendor provides the platform to deploy and run applications, allowing developers to focus on coding.

3. Software as a Service (SaaS):

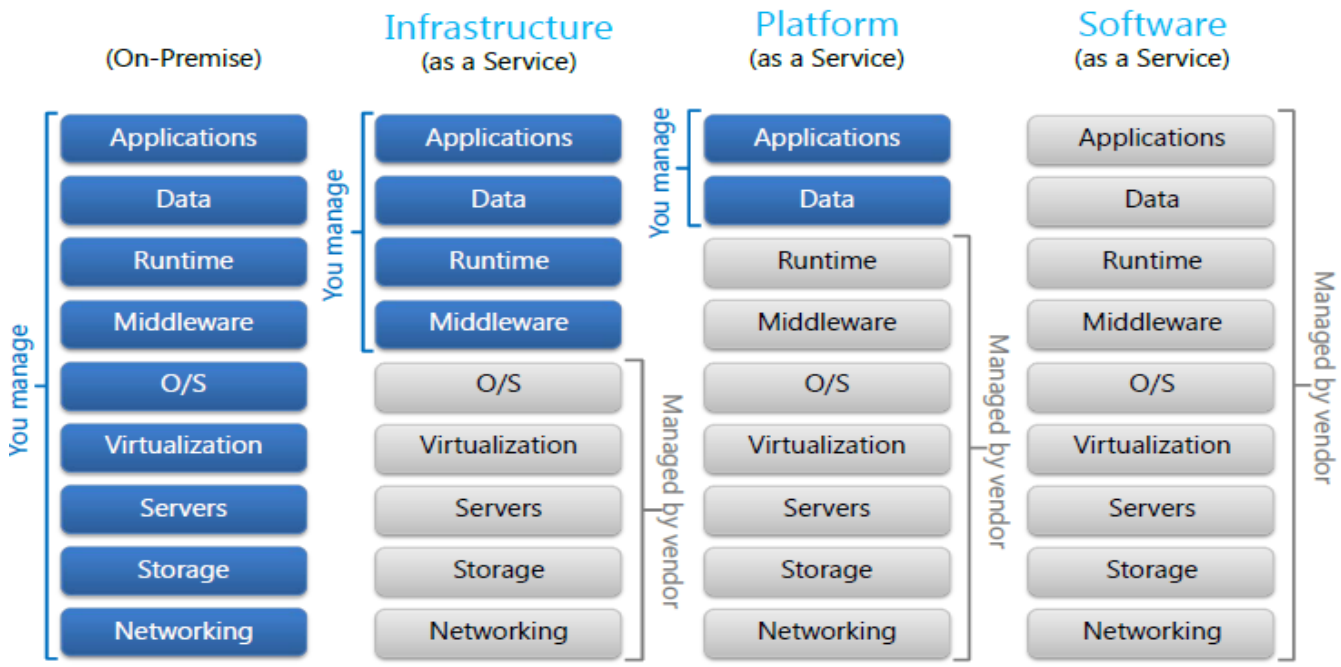
- **Definition:** Delivers centrally hosted and managed software services to end-users over the internet, on-demand, and typically on a subscription basis.
- **Operational Cost:** Used to minimize operational costs significantly as the cloud provider handles maintenance and management.
- **Examples:** Microsoft One Drive, Dropbox, WordPress, Office 365, Amazon Kindle.

These service models provide different levels of control and abstraction, catering to diverse needs. IaaS offers maximum control over infrastructure, PaaS simplifies development, and SaaS provides fully managed services, emphasizing cost efficiency.

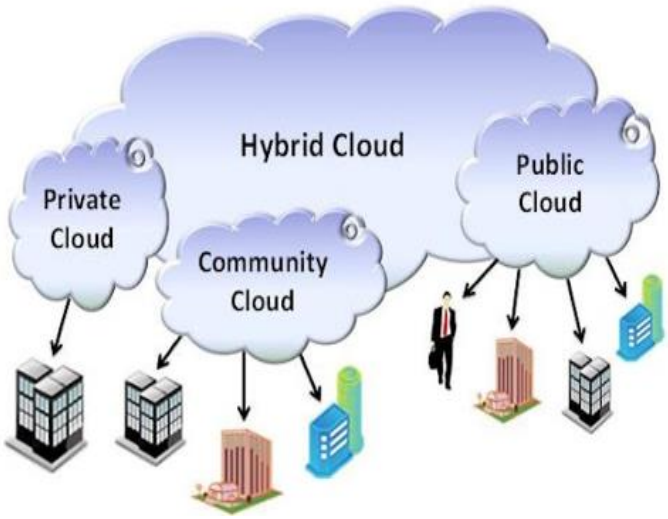
Difference between IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS:

The below table shows the difference between IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS -

IaaS	Paas	SaaS
It provides a virtual data center to store information and create platforms for app development, testing, and deployment.	It provides virtual platforms and tools to create, test, and deploy apps.	It provides web software and apps to complete business tasks.
It provides access to resources such as virtual machines, virtual storage, etc.	It provides runtime environments and deployment tools for applications.	It provides software as a service to the end-users.
It is used by network architects.	It is used by developers.	It is used by end users.
IaaS provides only Infrastructure.	PaaS provides Infrastructure+Platform.	SaaS provides Infrastructure+Platform +Software.



4. Cloud Deployment Model:



1. Public Cloud:

- **Definition** Public cloud services are made available to the general public over the internet by a third-party provider.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Resources are shared among multiple users, promoting cost-effectiveness.
  - Highly scalable with the ability to rapidly provision and release resources.
  - Examples: AWS, Azure, Google Cloud.

2. Private Cloud:

- **Definition:** Private cloud involves the exclusive use of cloud resources by a single organization.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Offers greater control, customization, and security.
  - Typically hosted on-premises or by a dedicated third-party provider.
  - Ideal for organizations with specific compliance or data security requirements.

3. Community Cloud:

- **Definition:** A community cloud is shared infrastructure accessed by a specific community or organizations with common concerns.
- **Characteristics:**
  - Tailored to meet the specific needs of a particular group, providing a shared computing environment.

- Offers a balance between public and private cloud advantages.
- Shared costs and resources among community members.

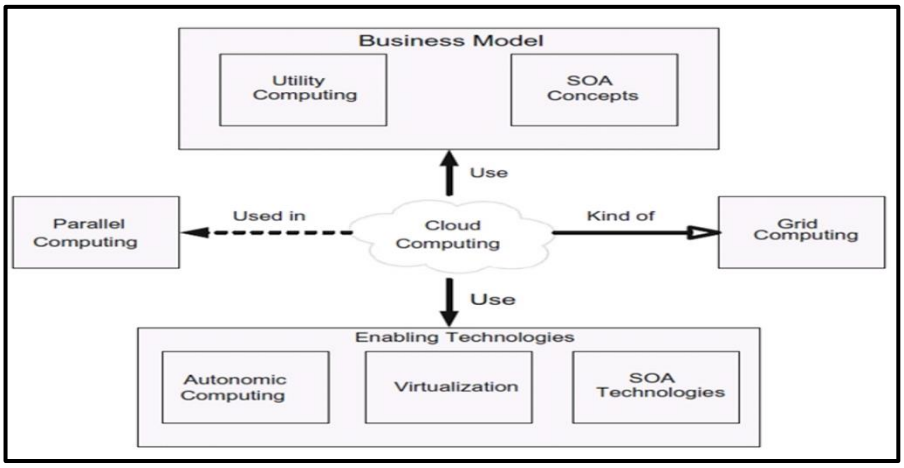
4. Hybrid Cloud:

- **Definition:** Hybrid cloud combines elements of both public and private clouds, allowing data and applications to be shared seamlessly between them.

- **Characteristics:**
  - Provides flexibility and more deployment options based on specific workload requirements.
  - Enables workload portability and the optimization of cost, security, and performance.
  - Offers a strategic approach for businesses with varying IT needs.

5. Convergence of Cloud Computing

The convergence of cloud computing involves the integration of technologies and deployment models to create a versatile computing environment.



Convergence of Cloud Computing: Computing Aspects

1. **Utility Computing:**
   - **Definition:** Service provisioning model where computing resources are provided on-demand, and customers are charged based on specific usage.
   - **Characteristic:** Pay-per-use model for flexible resource allocation.
2. **Parallel Computing:**
   - **Definition:** Computation model where multiple calculations occur simultaneously, solving large problems by dividing them into smaller ones.
   - **Characteristic:** Efficient simultaneous processing for improved performance.
3. **Edge Computing:**
   - **Definition:** Pushes computing applications and data to the logical extremes of a network, enabling analytics at the data source.
   - **Characteristic:** Decentralized computing for real-time data processing.
4. **Distributed Computing:**
   - **Definition:** Field studying systems where components on networked computers communicate and coordinate actions through message passing.
   - **Characteristic:** Collaboration among distributed components for complex tasks.
5. **Grid Computing:**
   - **Definition:** Collection of computer resources from multiple locations working towards a common goal.
   - **Characteristic:** Non-interactive workloads involving a large number of files.
6. **Cluster Computing:**

- **Definition:** Set of connected computers working together as a single system, with each node performing the same task.
- **Characteristic:** Loosely or tightly connected nodes for increased computing power.

7. **Autonomic Computing:**
    - **Definition:** Self-managing characteristics of distributed computing resources, adapting to changes and hiding complexity from operators and users.
    - **Characteristic:** Automated management for system adaptability.
8. **Ubiquitous Computing (UbiComp):**
    - **Definition:** Concept where computing is omnipresent, occurring on any device, in any location, and in any format.
    - **Characteristic:** Computing seamlessly integrated into everyday environments.

6. Edge Computing:

Definition: Edge computing involves shifting the processing of computing applications, data, and services from centralized nodes to the logical extremes of a network. This paradigm enables analytics and knowledge generation to occur at the source of the data, closer to where it is generated or needed.

Edge Computing Key Points:

1. **Decentralization:**
    - Cuts latency, improves response times by moving computing closer to data sources.
2. **Frontier Expansion:**
    - Broadens computational reach by pushing applications to network extremes.
3. **Analytics at the Source:**
    - Enables real-time analytics for immediate insights at data sources.
4. **Reduced Data Transit:**
    - Minimizes data sent to central centers, optimizing bandwidth and resources.
5. **Improved Responsiveness:**
    - Enhances application responsiveness with edge processing.

Use Cases:

- IoT, industrial automation, low-latency applications.

Benefits:

1. **Latency Reduction:**
    - Quickens response times by processing data close to the source.
2. **Bandwidth Optimization:**
    - Optimizes bandwidth by local data processing.
3. **Real-time Decision-Making:**
    - Facilitates real-time decisions at the edge.
4. **Enhanced Scalability:**

- Enables scalable and distributed computing.

5. **Improved Reliability:**
    - Boosts reliability by minimizing central data center dependencies.

7. SOA – Service Oriented Architecture:

Definition: SOA is an architectural pattern in computer software design where application components offer services to each other through a communications protocol, usually over a network. The principles of service-orientation are vendor, product, and technology independent.

Service Connections:

- Illustrates the flow where a service consumer sends a request to a service provider, and the provider responds. The connection is clear to both parties.

Service-Oriented Terminologies:

1. **Services:**
    - Logical entities defined by one or more published interfaces.
2. **Service Provider:**
    - Software entity implementing a service specification.
3. **Service Consumer:**
    - Requestor or client calling a service provider; can be another service or an end-user application.
4. **Service Locator:**
    - Acts as a registry, responsible for examining service provider interfaces and locations.
5. **Service Broker:**
    - Passes service requests to one or more additional service providers.

SOA promotes modular and interoperable software design by encapsulating functionalities into services with well-defined interfaces, fostering flexibility and scalability in software development.

8. NIST CCRA **IMP**

NIST Cloud Computing Reference Architecture:

The NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology) Cloud Computing Reference Architecture is a framework developed by NIST to provide a standardized and vendor-neutral model for understanding and discussing cloud computing concepts. The main objective of this reference architecture is to offer a common language and structure for describing the various components, roles, and interactions within cloud computing environments.

Objective:

- Establish a fundamental reference point based on the NIST definition, providing an overall framework for cloud computing.
- Develop a vendor-neutral architecture consistent with NIST's definition.
- Create a level playing field for industry comparison and discussion of cloud offerings.

Components:

- Consists of a Reference Architecture (RA) and Taxonomy (Tax).
- RA is an Actor/Role-based model detailing central elements of cloud computing, encompassing actors, roles, and necessary architectural components.
- Focuses on managing and providing cloud services, including service deployment, service orchestration, cloud service management, security, and privacy.

Reference Architecture (RA):

- Presented in two parts:
    1. Complete overview of actors, their roles, and necessary architectural components.
    2. Emphasizes key aspects such as service deployment, service orchestration, cloud service management, security, and privacy.

Taxonomy:

Includes a taxonomy that classifies and categorizes elements within the cloud computing domain, facilitating better organization and understanding.

Major Actors/Roles:

Cloud Consumer: Obtains services directly from a cloud provider.

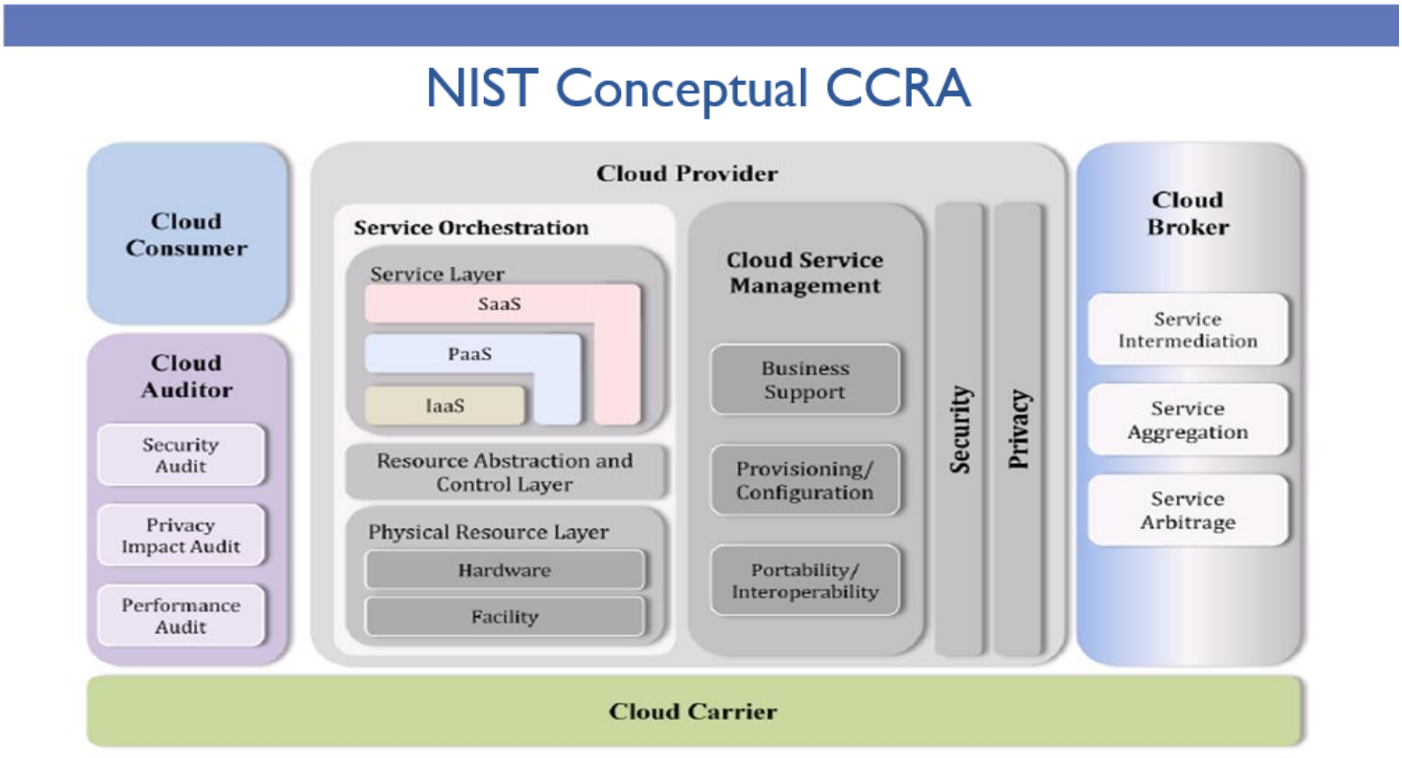
Cloud Provider: Offers cloud services to consumers.

Cloud Auditor: Assesses and ensures compliance and performance of cloud services.

Cloud Broker: Optional intermediary facilitating transactions between consumers and providers.

Cloud Carrier: Manages the transport of cloud services between consumers and providers.

The NIST Cloud Computing Reference Architecture provides a structured and standardized approach for describing the architecture and components of cloud computing systems. It serves as a valuable resource for industry professionals, enabling clear communication, comparison, and evaluation of cloud offerings.



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1. **Cloud Provider:**

- **Security:** Ensures various aspects of security, including authentication, authorization, availability, confidentiality, identity management, integrity, security monitoring, incident response, security policy management, and privacy.
- **Privacy:** Focuses on protecting personal information (PI) and personally identifiable information (PII) in terms of collection, processing, communication, use, and disposition on the cloud.

2. **Cloud Auditor:**
    - An independent party that assesses cloud services, information system operations, performance, and security of cloud implementations.
    - Evaluates security controls, privacy impact, and performance of cloud services.
    - Conducts security audits to assess the correct implementation and effectiveness of security controls.
3. **Cloud Broker:**
    - Manages the use, performance, and delivery of cloud services, acting as an intermediary between cloud providers and consumers.
    - Performs service intermediation by enhancing specific capabilities for cloud consumers.
    - Engages in service aggregation by combining and integrating multiple services into new services.
    - Utilizes service arbitrage, allowing flexible and opportunistic choices among services.
    - Ensures data integration and secure data movement between cloud consumers and multiple cloud providers.
4. **Cloud Carrier:**
    - An intermediary providing connectivity and transport of cloud services between providers and consumers.
    - Offers access to cloud consumers through network, telecommunication, and other access devices.
    - Examples of access devices include computers, laptops, mobile phones, and mobile internet devices.
    - May involve a transport agent, a business organization providing physical transport of storage media.
    - Establishes Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with cloud providers to ensure a consistent level of service, often requiring dedicated and encrypted connections.
5. **Cloud Consumer:**
    - Represents the end-user or organization that utilizes cloud services.
    - Interacts with cloud providers to access and consume various cloud services.
    - Responsibilities include understanding and complying with security measures, privacy policies, and service level agreements set by the cloud provider.
    - Utilizes the services provided by cloud brokers for improved management and integration of cloud services.