

Phase 1



Capacity (Agility, Elasticity, Scalability)

- **Capacity** = How much your system can handle.
- **Agility** = How quickly you can adjust resources.
- **Elasticity** = Ability to **grow or shrink automatically** based on demand.
- **Scalability** = Ability to **handle more load** without breaking.

Example:

Imagine a website:

- On weekdays, 50 users visit → one small server is enough.
 - On weekends, 5000 users visit → you add more servers automatically (elasticity).
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Availability

- **Availability** = Your service stays **up and running**, even if something goes wrong.
- Think of it like a **backup plan** for failure.

Example:

- You have a website hosted in one data center. If that data center goes down, your site goes offline → low availability.

- If you have two data centers and traffic switches to the second when the first fails
→ high availability.
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Blast Radius

- **Blast radius** = How much damage happens if something fails.
- Smaller blast radius → less impact when failure happens.

Example:

- One giant server crashes → your entire app goes down → huge blast radius.
 - Many small servers → if one crashes, only part of your app is affected → small blast radius.
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Disaster Recovery

- **Disaster recovery** = How quickly you can **restore your service after a big failure**.

Example:

- Your data center floods → you switch to another region and your website is back online.
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Vertical Scaling vs Horizontal Scaling

Vertical Scaling (Scale Up)

- Add **more power to one server** (CPU, memory).
- **Problem:**
 - Often requires **downtime** to upgrade.
 - Not all apps can handle huge servers.
- **Example:**
 - Upgrade a small server from 2 CPUs → 16 CPUs → your server must restart.
 - If it crashes during upgrade → downtime.

Horizontal Scaling (Scale Out)

- Add **more servers** instead of making one bigger.
- **Better for cloud** → handles failure and traffic smoothly.
- **Example:**
 - Your website has 2 small servers → traffic increases → add 3 more servers automatically.
 - Traffic decreases → remove 1 server.
 - You **never go below 2 servers** to ensure availability.

Rule of thumb in cloud: Horizontal scaling is safer, more flexible, and keeps your service always available.

Simple Analogy

- **Vertical Scaling** = One big pizza → hard to eat, and if it burns, you lose all.

- **Horizontal Scaling** = Many small pizzas → easy to share, if one burns, others are still fine.



Capital Expenditure (CapEx)

- **What it is:** Buying physical resources upfront, which you own and depreciate over time.
- **Example in the real world:** Buying servers, storage devices, or networking equipment for your company's on-premises data center.
- **Simple analogy:** Like buying a car—you pay upfront, and it's yours for years.

In cloud context (Phase 1 / Azure labs):

- On-premises equivalent: If you wanted to practice Azure security but instead bought your own physical servers, firewalls, and networking gear to test labs.
 - You spend **a lot upfront**, but you **own the hardware**.
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Operational Expenditure (OpEx)

- **What it is:** Paying only for what you use, usually subscription or consumption-based. No big upfront cost.
- **Example in the real world:** Using a streaming service like Netflix—you pay monthly only for what you watch.
- **Simple analogy:** Like renting a car—you pay only when you drive it.

In cloud context (Phase 1 / Azure labs):

- Using Azure free-tier or pay-as-you-go services for VMs, Storage, Key Vault, and AKS in your labs.
 - You **pay based on usage**, scale up or down, and don't need to buy servers or networking devices upfront.
 - Ideal for learning: You can practice security labs **without spending thousands on hardware**.
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Key difference (super simple)

CapEx	OpEx
Buy and own (servers, devices)	Rent or pay-as-you-go (Azure services)
High upfront cost	Low/no upfront cost
Fixed capacity (limited by hardware)	Flexible capacity (scale up/down anytime)
Depreciates over time	Costs treated as ongoing expense

⭐ *What does “responsibility” mean in cloud computing?*

In cloud computing, **responsibility** means:

- 👉 *Which tasks you (the customer) must manage*
vs.
👉 *Which tasks the cloud provider (Azure, AWS, GCP) manages*

This is called the **shared responsibility model**.

Simple explanation with examples

1. Example: Using a Virtual Machine (VM)

Your responsibility:

- Install updates
- Secure passwords
- Install antivirus
- Configure firewall rules
- Manage who can log in

Cloud provider's responsibility:

- Physical servers
- Data center buildings
- Power, cooling, hardware

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- ✓ If your VM gets hacked because you didn't update it → **your responsibility**
 - ✓ If a physical server in Azure breaks → **Azure's responsibility**

2. Example: Using cloud storage

Your responsibility:

- Decide who can access the files
- Encrypt sensitive data if needed
- Set access policies correctly

Cloud provider's responsibility:

- Keep storage hardware running
- Ensure data is replicated/redundant
- Fix hardware failures

- ✓ If you accidentally share a storage container with “Public access = ON” → **your responsibility**
✓ If a disk in the data center physically breaks → **cloud provider's responsibility**
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3. Example: Using cloud networking

Your responsibility:

- Create secure network rules
- Close unused ports
- Create strong access policies

Cloud provider's responsibility:

- Maintain routers, switches, cables in the data center
- Ensure global network connectivity

- ✓ If you leave port 22 open to the internet → **your responsibility**
✓ If an internet cable inside the Azure data center fails → **Azure handles it**
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4. Example: Using databases in the cloud

If you use a fully managed database (like Azure SQL):

Your responsibility:

- Protect your data
- Control who can access the database
- Configure firewalls

Cloud provider's responsibility:

- Patch the database engine
- Maintain servers
- Handle automatic backups (depending on service)

✓ If someone steals your data because permissions were too open → **your responsibility**

Super simple summary

Responsibility in cloud computing = what YOU must secure, configure, and manage vs. what the provider handles.

Cloud providers handle the **physical stuff**.

You handle the **things you run inside the cloud**.



What you manage in IaaS(*Infrastructure-as-a-Service*)

When you use **IaaS**, you are renting the *infrastructure* from Azure — like servers, storage, and networking — but **you are still responsible for what happens inside your virtual machine and inside your cloud environment**.

Think of it like renting an empty apartment:

- Azure = landlord (manages the building)

- You = tenant (manage everything inside the apartment)

Here are the responsibilities in **simple words + examples**:

What YOU manage (your responsibility)

1. Operating System

You decide:

- Windows or Linux
- Update it
- Patch vulnerabilities

Example:

If your Linux VM has a security update available, *you must install it.*

2. Applications

You control:

- What applications you install
- How they run
- Their security settings

Example:

If you install NGINX on your VM, *you configure it, secure it, and update it.*

3. Security settings

You must set:

- Firewalls inside the VM
- Anti-malware
- Correct permissions

Example:

If someone can SSH into your VM because your password is weak, **that's your responsibility**, not Azure's.

4. Network rules

You configure:

- NSGs (Network Security Groups)
- Subnets
- Routing rules

Example:

If port 3389 (RDP) is accidentally left open to the world, **you fix it**.

5. Identity and Access

You handle:

- Who can access your VM
- Role assignments
- Permissions

Example:

If you give admin rights to someone who shouldn't have them, **that's on you**, not Azure.

6. Monitoring

You must set up:

- Logs
- Alerts
- Health checks

Example:

If you want alerts when someone logs into your VM at 3 AM, **you must configure that** through Monitor or Sentinel.

BUT EVEN THOUGH these are all my responsibility i am not alone cz Azure will help me or provide my tools which i can use to do all these works as well

✗ What Azure manages (NOT your responsibility)

Azure takes care of:

- Physical servers
- Data center buildings
- Power & cooling
- Internet connections in data centers
- Disk failures (hardware)
- Racks, cables, network devices

Example:

If a physical server in Azure breaks, **Azure replaces it**, not you.

★ **PaaS (Platform as a Service)**

👉 Simple meaning:

PaaS gives you a **ready-made platform** to build and run your applications **without managing servers, OS, or hardware**.

You only focus on your **code**.

The provider handles everything else like OS updates, patches, runtime, and scaling.

✓ Example (everyday example)

Imagine you want to make a cake:

- You don't grow wheat
- You don't make the oven
- You don't clean the kitchen

You just:

- ✓ bring your ingredients
- ✓ bake the cake

PaaS = a ready kitchen. You cook, they manage the kitchen.

✓ Real cloud examples:

- **Azure App Service** (you deploy your web app, platform manages servers)
- **Azure SQL Database** (you use the database without managing SQL Server)
- **Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)**
- **Google App Engine**
- **AWS Elastic Beanstalk**

SaaS (Software as a Service)

Simple meaning:

SaaS is **complete software** that you simply **use** through a browser or app.

You don't:

- install it
- update it
- manage servers
- manage the application

You just **log in and use it**.

Everyday example:

You use **Netflix**:

- you don't install servers
- you don't manage videos
- you don't update anything

You just click and watch.

SaaS = ready-to-eat food. Just consume it.

Real cloud examples:

- **Microsoft 365**
- **Google Workspace**
- **Salesforce**

- Dropbox
 - Zoom
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⭐ **Serverless Computing**

👉 Simple meaning:

Serverless means **you write small pieces of code**, and the cloud runs them **automatically only when needed**.

- No servers to manage
- No infrastructure planning
- No paying for idle time
- It scales instantly

You **only pay when your code runs** (per request).

✓ Everyday Example:

Imagine a **vending machine**:

- You don't keep a cashier
- Machine only works when someone inserts money
- You only pay for usage

Serverless = vending machine for code. Runs only when triggered.

✓ Where Serverless is used:

Serverless is used for **event-driven** tasks:

Use Case	Example
Running code when something happens	When a file is uploaded → run a function
APIs	Quick backend API services
Automation	Clean logs every night
IoT	When a sensor reports data
Chatbots	Run when user sends messages
Data processing	Resize images, process logs

✓ Serverless real examples:

- **Azure Functions**
- **AWS Lambda**
- **Google Cloud Functions**

★ Super Simple Summary

Model	What It Means	You Manage	They Manage	Example
PaaS	A platform to build apps	Code	Servers, OS, runtime	Azure App Service
SaaS	Ready-made software	Nothing	Everything	Netflix, Microsoft 365
Serverless	Code that runs only when needed	Tiny code functions	All infrastructure	Azure Functions

If you want, I can also explain:

✓ IaaS vs PaaS vs SaaS difference in **one simple picture**

OR

simple real-time examples for each (banking, e-commerce, healthcare, etc.)

You said:

yes difference pls

ChatGPT said:

Here is the **clearest and simplest difference** between **IaaS, PaaS, SaaS, and Serverless**, explained in plain English with an easy-to-remember chart and examples.

1. The Core Idea (Super Simple)

Think of it like **owning, renting, or just using something already built**:

Model	Like...	Meaning
IaaS	Renting an empty house	You manage most things, provider gives basic infrastructure.
PaaS	Renting a house with kitchen & furniture	You only manage your app/code.
SaaS	Booking a hotel	Everything is done for you. Just use it.
Serverless	Uber	Used only when needed . You don't manage the vehicle.

2. Detailed but Simple Difference



IaaS (Infrastructure as a Service)

Cloud gives you **virtual machines, storage, networks**, etc.
You control: OS, runtime, apps.

Example:

- Azure Virtual Machines
- AWS EC2
- Google Compute Engine

Simple example:

You rent an empty house.

You bring furniture, cook, clean, maintain.

PaaS (Platform as a Service)

Cloud gives you **platform + runtime**, so you only write/deploy code.

Provider manages OS, servers, patches.

Example:

- Azure App Service
- Azure SQL Database
- AWS Elastic Beanstalk

Simple example:

You rent a house *with kitchen + furniture*.

You only cook and live.

No cleaning the building or fixing plumbing.

SaaS (Software as a Service)

You get a **ready-made application**.

Just log in and use it.

Example:

- Office 365
- Gmail
- Salesforce
- Netflix

Simple example:

Like staying in a hotel.

You do **NOTHING**—just use the room.

Serverless

You write **tiny code functions**, and the cloud runs them **only when triggered**.

No servers.

No scaling.

No idle cost.

Example:

- Azure Functions
- AWS Lambda
- Google Cloud Functions

Simple example:

Using **Uber**:

The car only comes when you request it.

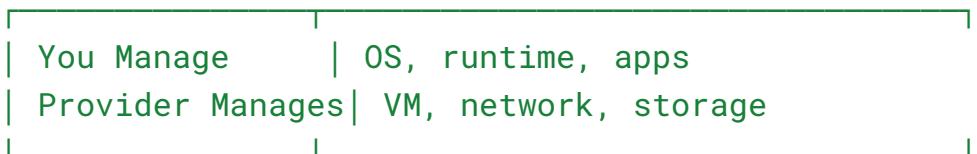
You pay only for the ride.

3. What You Manage vs What Cloud Manages

The best visual way to learn this:



IaaS



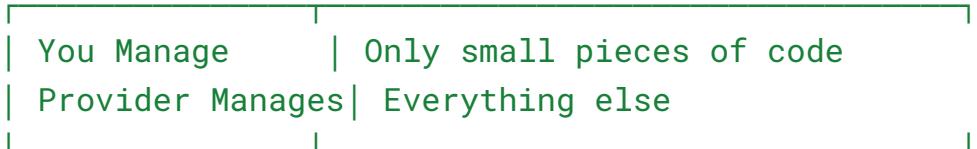
PaaS



SaaS



Serverless



4. Fastest Way to Remember Them

Model	What You Do	What It Feels Like	Example
IaaS	Manage VMs	Buying raw materials to build something	Azure VM
PaaS	Write code	Kitchen ready → You only cook	Azure App Service
SaaS	Use app	Eating food served to you	Gmail
Serverless	Write function	Taxi — used only when needed	Azure Functions

Yes — Serverless is considered a specialized part of PaaS, but more automated and more managed.

BUT...

Serverless is **not exactly the same as PaaS**.

It is **PaaS taken to the next level** → more automation, more scaling, less management.



Long Answer (Simple Explanation)

Think of Cloud Services like this:

SaaS → fully managed apps

PaaS → platform to run apps

Serverless → automatic, event-driven PaaS

IaaS → raw infrastructure (VMs)

So:

- **PaaS = You write code, cloud runs it, but app is long-running**

Examples:

- Azure App Service
- Azure SQL Database

🟡 Serverless = You write tiny functions, cloud runs only when triggered

Examples:

- Azure Functions
 - AWS Lambda
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⭐ Why serverless is considered a part of PaaS

Because:

- You **don't manage servers**
- You **deploy code**, not infrastructure
- Platform automatically handles runtime
- Cloud does scaling for you

This is exactly what PaaS does — **Serverless just automates it more.**

⭐ Difference in Simple Words

PaaS

Your app is always running.

Example:

You deploy a website to **Azure App Service** → it runs 24/7.

You pay even if nobody visits it.

Serverless

Your code is *not running* unless triggered.

Example:

Azure Function runs **only when you receive an event**.

You pay **only when it runs**.

★ Final Summary

Feature	PaaS	Serverless
Always running?	Yes	No
Pay when idle?	Yes	No
Event-driven?	Not always	Yes
Scaling	Automatic but limited	Fully automatic
Server management	None	None

✓ **Serverless = Advanced PaaS**

✓ **More automated**

✓ **More scalable**

✓ **More cost-efficient**

👉 The key difference is whether the code runs 24/7 or only when triggered.

So, in paas the code i wrote is running 24/7 but in serverless the code is not running or inactive but only when triggered the code will run.