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Title: Study of Cloud Computing & Architecture

Aim and Objective of the Experiment:

To study cloud computing architecture
To explore any 5 Desktop-as-a-Service

COs to be achieved:

CO1: Comprehend the issues related to cloud computing and its application

Theory: Cloud Computing provides us means of accessing the applications as utilities over the Internet. It allows us to create, configure, and customize the applications online.

The term Cloud refers to a Network or Internet.

Cloud models

- Deployment models
- Service models

Deployment models:

The cloud deployment model identifies the specific type of cloud environment based on ownership, scale, and access, as well as the cloud's nature and purpose.

- Public
- Private
- Hybrid
- Community cloud

Service models

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

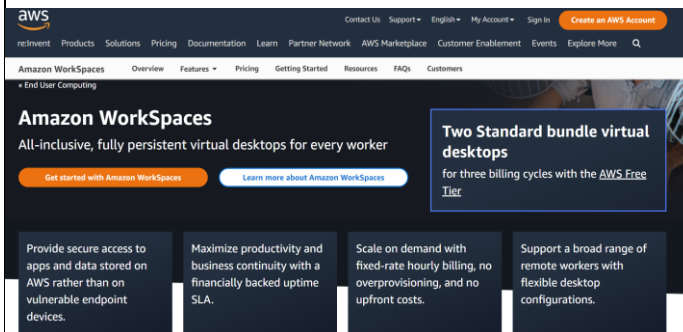
Desktop as a service

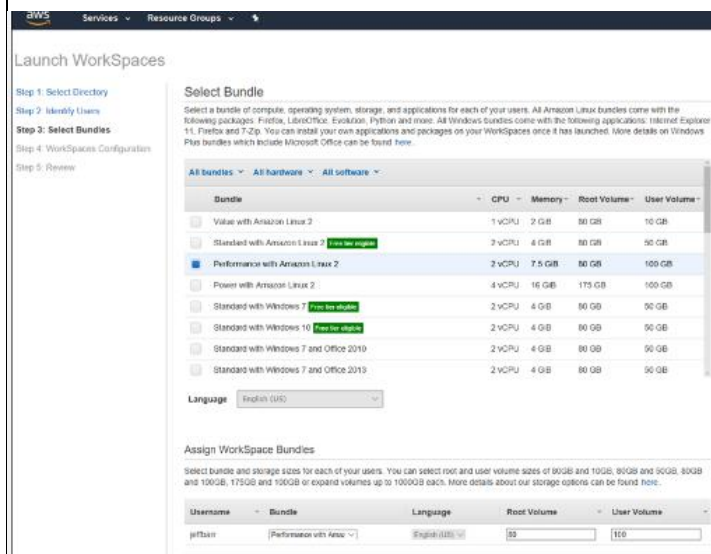
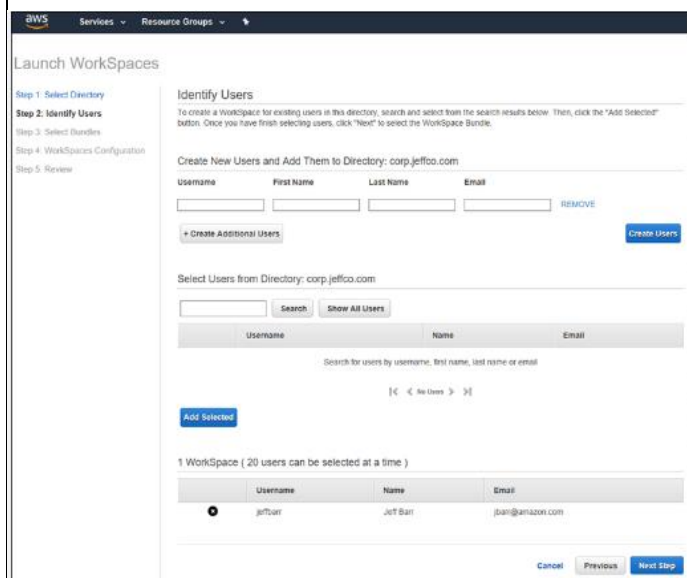
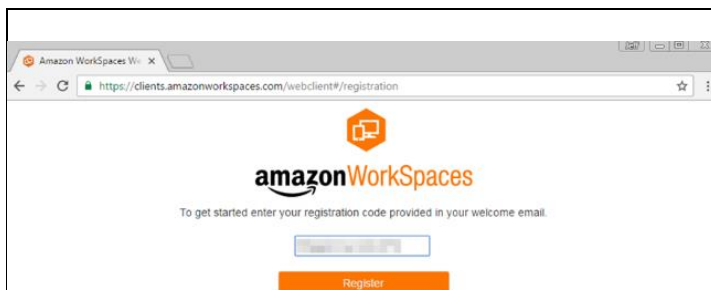
Desktop as a Service (DaaS) is a cloud computing offering where a service provider delivers virtual desktops to end users over the Internet, licensed with a per-user subscription. The provider takes care of backend management for small businesses that find creating their own virtual desktop infrastructure to be too expensive or resource-consuming. This management typically includes maintenance, backup, updates, and data storage.

Cloud service providers may also handle security and applications for the desktop, or users may manage these service aspects individually.

TASK: (paste the screenshots)

1) Amazon Workspace:





Launch WorkSpaces

Step 1: Select Directory
Step 2: Identify Users
Step 3: Select Bundles
Step 4: WorkSpaces Configuration
Step 5: Review

WorkSpaces Configuration

Running Mode

Choose how you will run and pay for your WorkSpaces. Learn more [here](#).

☐ AlwaysOn
Billed monthly. Instant access to an always running WorkSpace.

☒ **AutoStop Free tier eligible**
Billed by the hour. WorkSpaces start automatically when you login, and stop when no longer being used.
AutoStop Time (hours)
Note: When possible AutoStop will snapshot the state of the desktop to the root volume of the WorkSpace. When a user next logs into their WorkSpace it is resumed and all open documents and running programs return to their previous state. To further enhance the security of your WorkSpaces we recommend you encrypt all storage volumes (see below).

Encryption

To further enhance the security of your WorkSpaces we recommend you encrypt all storage volumes. To configure volume encryption you need to use KMS keys in your account. You may use the IAM console to create additional KMS keys. To learn more about encryption on WorkSpaces, please see our documentation [here](#).

☒ Root Volume Encryption
☒ User Volume Encryption

Encryption Key [Refresh](#)

Manage Tags

You can use tags to add metadata to your WorkSpaces. In addition, these tags can be used to track costs in the AWS Cost Explorer. A tag consists of a case-sensitive key-value pair. For example, you could define a tag with key="Name" and value="Webserver". Learn More

Key	Value
Department	Development

[Add Tag](#)

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Launch WorkSpaces

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Your WorkSpaces configuration may not be eligible for the free tier offer
To launch a WorkSpace that is eligible for free tier offer, review your selection of hardware bundle and running configuration.

Review & Launch WorkSpaces

You are about to launch 1 new WorkSpace. Please review the details below. You can go back and make edits, or click **Launch WorkSpaces**.

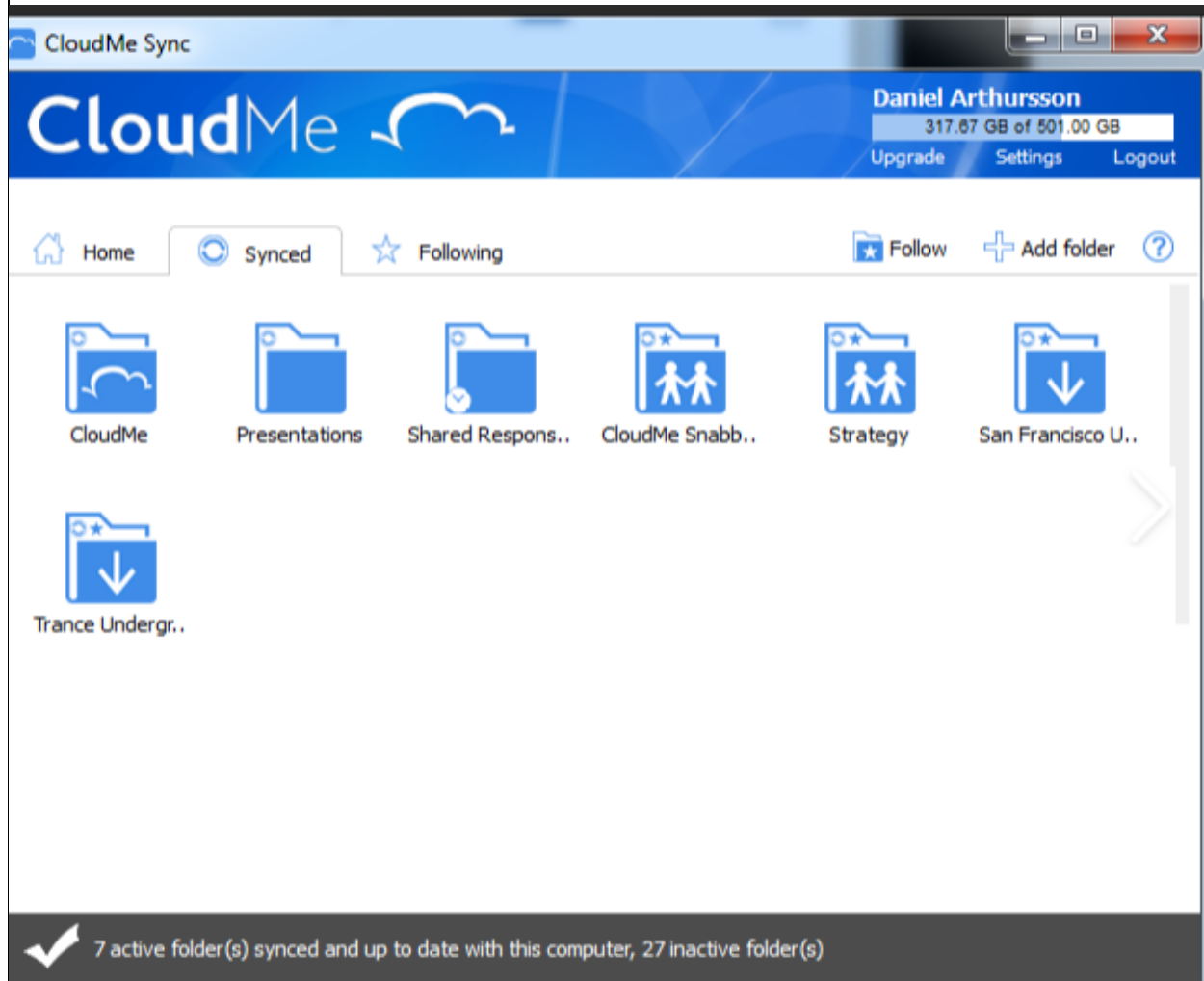
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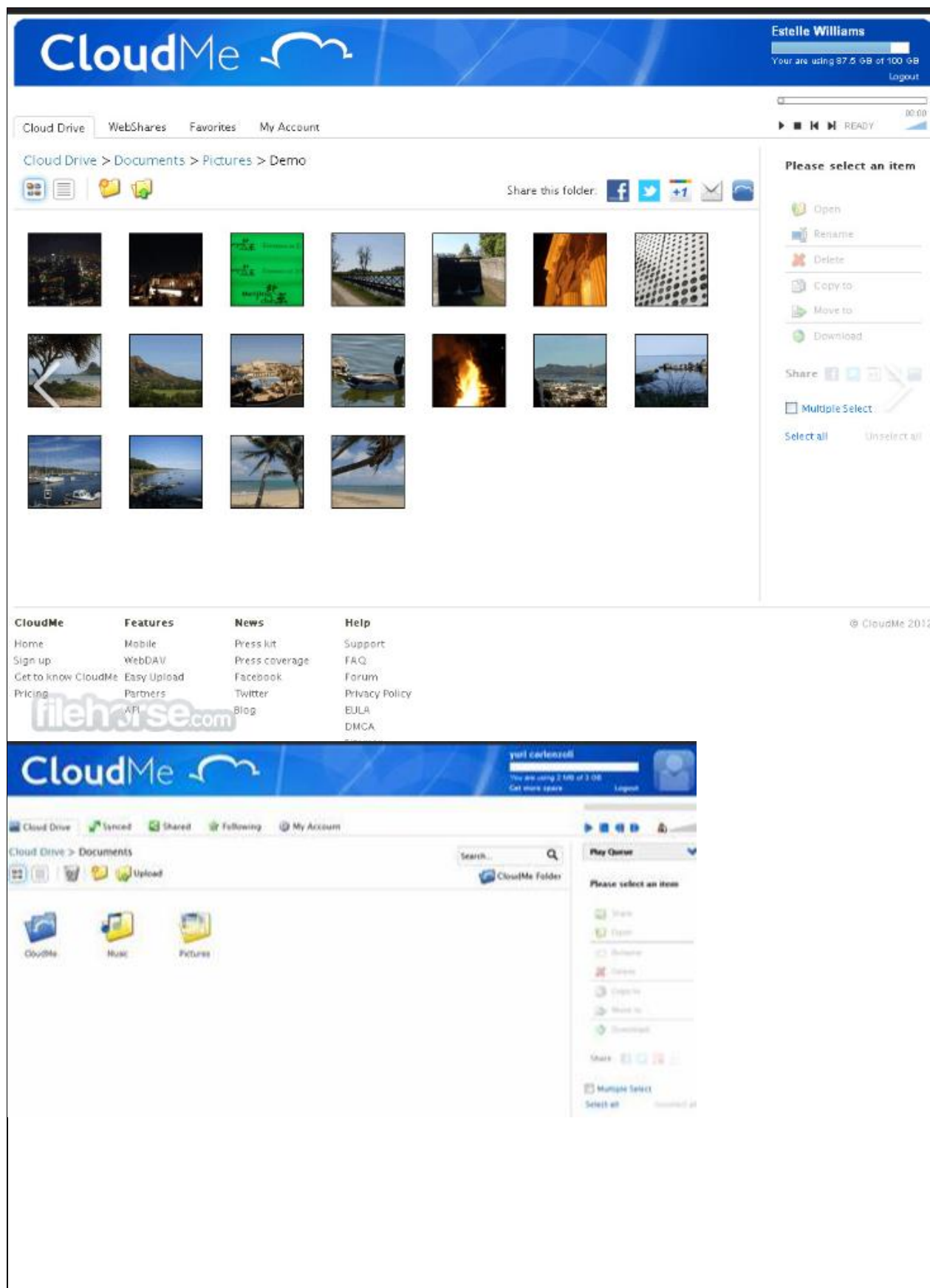
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Your WorkSpaces will launch in the Oregon region

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2) CloudMe.en:





The image displays two screenshots of the CloudMe web interface, illustrating cloud storage and file management capabilities.

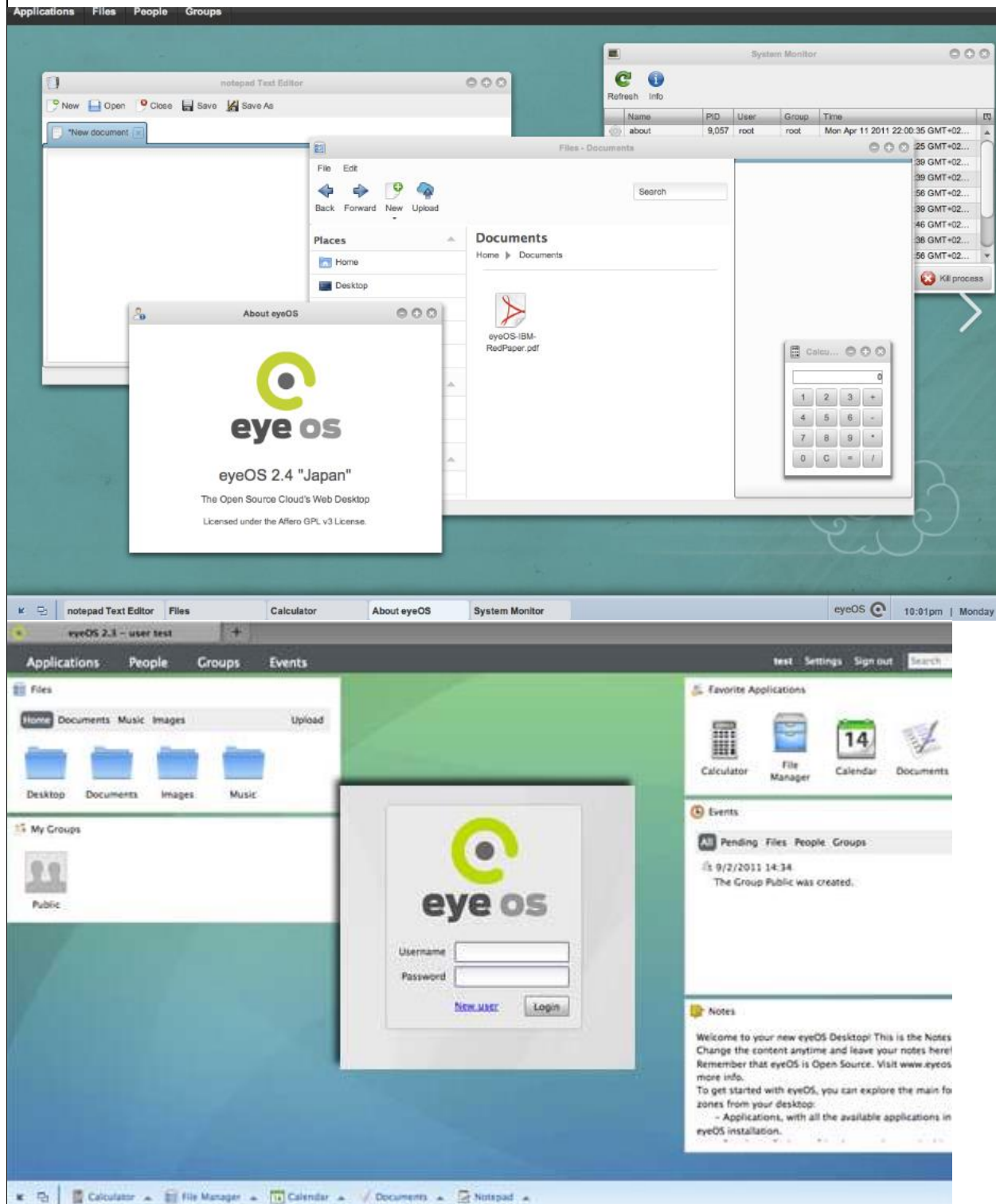
Top Screenshot (User: Estelle Williams):

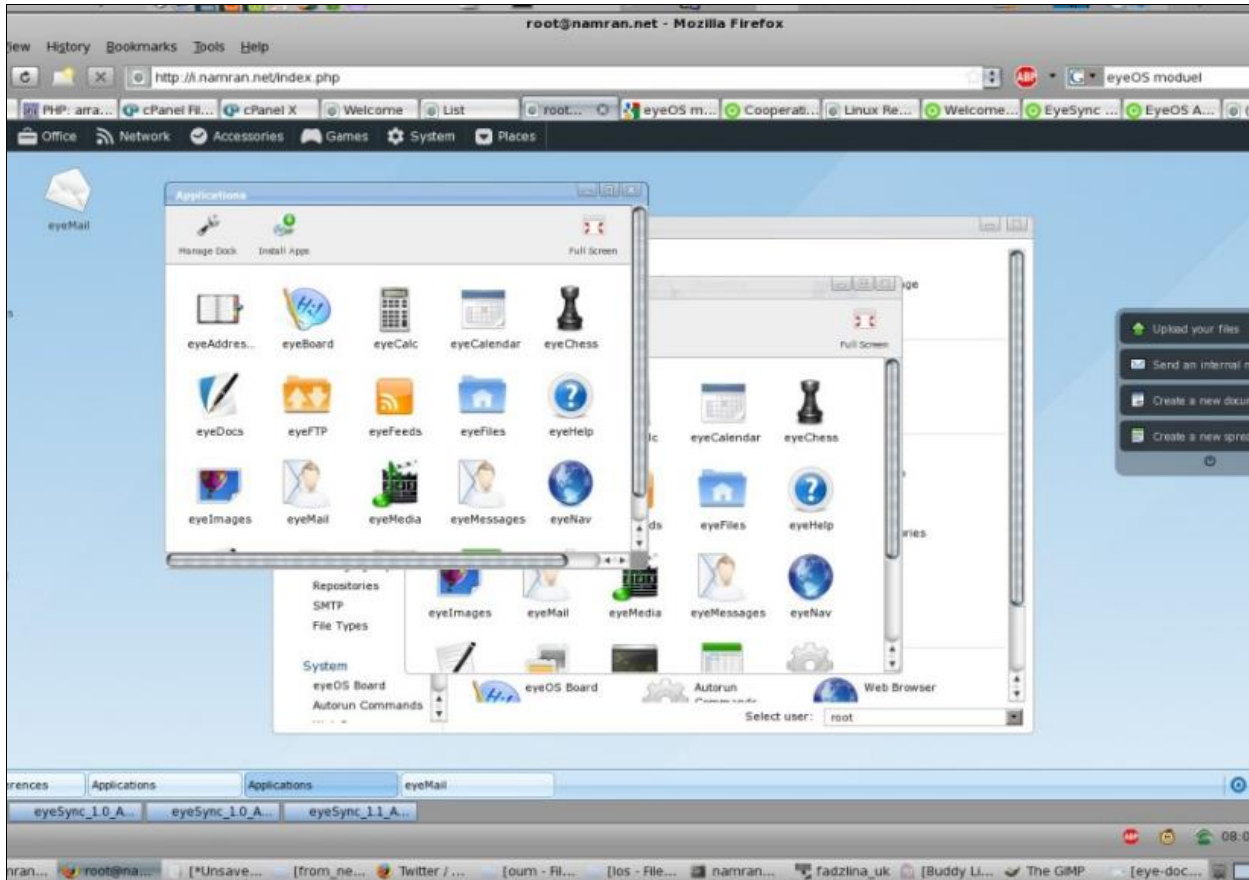
- Header:** CloudMe logo, user name "Estelle Williams", and storage usage "You are using 87.5 GB of 100 GB".
- Navigation:** Cloud Drive, WebShares, Favorites, My Account.
- Breadcrumbs:** Cloud Drive > Documents > Pictures > Demo.
- Content:** A grid of 18 image thumbnails representing a folder named "Demo".
- Actions:** "Share this folder:" with social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, +1, Email, Print).
- Right Panel:** "Please select an item" menu with options: Open, Rename, Delete, Copy to, Move to, Download, Share, Multiple Select, Select all, Unselect all.
- Footer:** CloudMe logo, navigation links (Home, Sign up, Get to know CloudMe, Pricing), Features (Mobile, WebDAV, Easy Upload, Partners, API), News (Press kit, Press coverage, Facebook, Twitter, Blog), Help (Support, FAQ, Forum, Privacy Policy, EULA, DMCA), and copyright "© CloudMe 2012".

Bottom Screenshot (User: yuri carlenzoff):

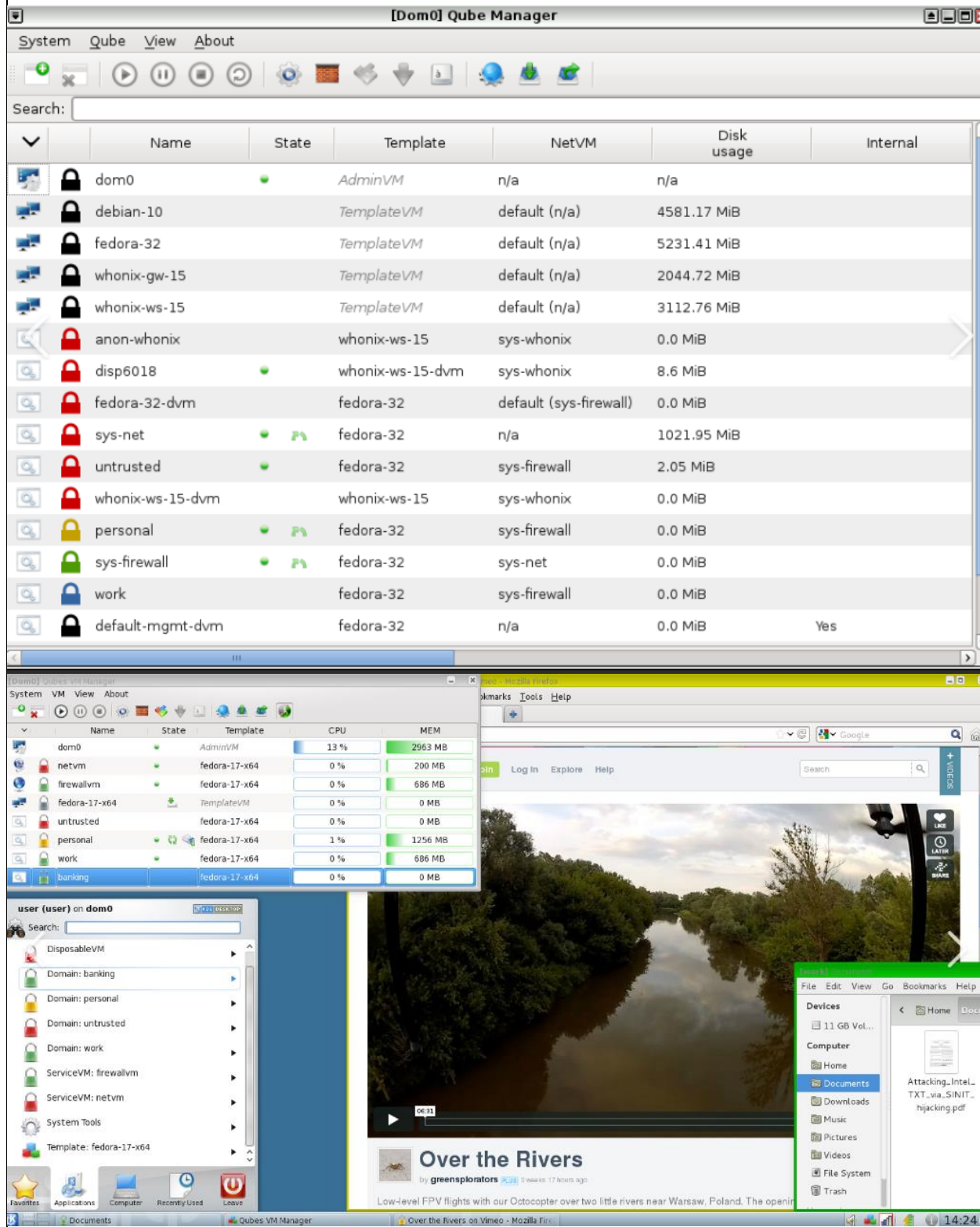
- Header:** CloudMe logo, user name "yuri carlenzoff", and storage usage "You are using 2 MB of 3 GB".
- Navigation:** Cloud Drive, Synced, Shared, Following, My Account.
- Breadcrumbs:** Cloud Drive > Documents.
- Content:** A grid showing folders for "CloudMe", "Music", and "Pictures".
- Actions:** "Search..." and "CloudMe Folder".
- Right Panel:** "Please select an item" menu with options: Share, Open, Rename, Delete, Copy to, Move to, Download, Share, Multiple Select, Select all, Unselect all.

3) eyeos.com





4)qubes-os.org:



The screenshot displays the Qube Manager interface. The top window, titled "[Dom0] Qube Manager", shows a list of VMs with columns for Name, State, Template, NetVM, Disk usage, and Internal. Below this, a detailed view of the 'dom0' VM is shown, including a list of VMs with columns for Name, State, Template, CPU, and MEM. The bottom window shows a desktop environment with a video player displaying "Over the Rivers" and a file explorer showing a list of files.

Name	State	Template	NetVM	Disk usage	Internal
dom0	Running	AdminVM	n/a	n/a	
debian-10	Running	TemplateVM	default (n/a)	4581.17 MiB	
fedora-32	Running	TemplateVM	default (n/a)	5231.41 MiB	
whonix-gw-15	Running	TemplateVM	default (n/a)	2044.72 MiB	
whonix-ws-15	Running	TemplateVM	default (n/a)	3112.76 MiB	
anon-whonix	Running	whonix-ws-15	sys-whonix	0.0 MiB	
disp6018	Running	whonix-ws-15-dvm	sys-whonix	8.6 MiB	
fedora-32-dvm	Running	fedora-32	default (sys-firewall)	0.0 MiB	
sys-net	Running	fedora-32	n/a	1021.95 MiB	
untrusted	Running	fedora-32	sys-firewall	2.05 MiB	
whonix-ws-15-dvm	Running	whonix-ws-15	sys-whonix	0.0 MiB	
personal	Running	fedora-32	sys-firewall	0.0 MiB	
sys-firewall	Running	fedora-32	sys-net	0.0 MiB	
work	Running	fedora-32	sys-firewall	0.0 MiB	
default-mgmt-dvm	Running	fedora-32	n/a	0.0 MiB	Yes

Name	State	Template	CPU	MEM
dom0	Running	AdminVM	13 %	2963 MB
netvm	Running	fedora-17-x64	0 %	200 MB
firewallvm	Running	fedora-17-x64	0 %	686 MB
fedora-17-x64	Running	TemplateVM	0 %	0 MB
untrusted	Running	fedora-17-x64	0 %	0 MB
personal	Running	fedora-17-x64	1 %	1256 MB
work	Running	fedora-17-x64	0 %	686 MB
banking	Running	fedora-17-x64	0 %	0 MB

Studying various file service storage providers that offer cloud storage, file synchronization and client software.

DaaS vendor comparison

PROVIDER	GUEST OSES	DESKTOP DELIVERY	STARTING PRICE	FREE TIER OR TRIAL	SUPPORT
Amazon WorkSpaces	Windows and Linux	Single-session and multi-session	\$7.25/month+ \$0.17/hour	Free tier for 3 months	Multiple support tiers through AWS
Azure Virtual Desktop	Windows	Single-session and multi-session	Free to eligible customers; \$10/month for eligible external customers	Free if using the \$200 credit within 30 days of signing up for Azure	Multiple support tiers through Azure
Citrix DaaS	Windows and Linux	Single-session and multi-session	\$10/month	7-day free trial	Multiple support tiers through Citrix
DinCloud Hosted Workspaces	Windows	Single-session and multi-session	Contact vendor	14-day free trial	24/7 support
Nutanix Frame	Windows and Linux	Single-session and multi-session	\$24/month	12-hour test drive or 30-day free trial after sign-up	Multiple support tiers through Nutanix
V2 Cloud	Windows	Single-session and multi-session	\$40/month	7-day free trial	Phone and chat support
VMware Horizon Cloud	Windows and Linux	Single-session and multi-session	\$12.50/month	60-day free trial	Multiple support tiers through VMware

OneDrive, the default online storage and syncing service for Windows and Microsoft 365, offers a wealth of powerful features, as well as apps for all major platforms. It's full-featured, polished, and the one you should use.

PROS

- ✓ Excellent interface
- ✓ Clients for Android, iOS, Mac, and Windows
- ✓ Well integrated with Windows and Microsoft 365
- ✓ Strong online photo presentation and management
- ✓ Powerful file-sharing and collaborative editing

CONS

- ✗ Less free storage than some competitors
- ✗ Doesn't back up all folders on drive

IDrive is both a file-syncing and storage tool as well as a full backup service. While its file-sharing features could be more robust, IDrive's low per-GB cost makes it an excellent value.

PROS

- ✓ Easy setup
- ✓ Unlimited devices per account
- ✓ Free local backup
- ✓ Fully encrypted
- ✓ Fast upload speeds
- ✓ Excellent value

CONS

- ✗ Storage isn't unlimited
- ✗ Limited Linux support
- ✗ Complete disk image backup only for Windows

Google Drive is one of the slickest, fullest-featured, and most generous cloud storage and syncing services, with excellent productivity suite collaboration capabilities.

PROS

- ✓ Generous free storage space
- ✓ Excellent productivity-suite collaboration
- ✓ Includes desktop-to-desktop file syncing
- ✓ Many third-party integrations
- ✓ Cross-platform apps

CONS

- ✗ No password-protection for shared files
- ✗ Mobile apps could do more; multiple apps required for all related functions
- ✗ Some privacy concerns

Dropbox, once a pioneer in the cloud storage and file-sharing space, is falling behind the competition, especially on price. It's as reliable as ever, but it's not the best value.

PROS

- ✓ Plenty of additional features
- ✓ Integrations with thousands of applications
- ✓ Fast upload speeds

CONS

- ✗ Expensive
- ✗ A once-simple service has become too complex

SpiderOak One Backup offers top-notch security features and flexible backup options. It costs more than many competitors, but it does not impose any limits on the number of PCs you can back up with each account.

PROS

- ✓ Strong privacy features
- ✓ Supports an unlimited number of computers per account
- ✓ Excellent versioning capabilities
- ✓ Includes file-sharing and folder-syncing options
- ✓ Well-designed, full-featured desktop application

CONS

- ✗ Lacks multi-factor authentication option for web logins
- ✗ No longer offers mobile apps

Reliable and with hundreds of app integrations, Box works well for businesses, but home users will find the paid plan isn't the best value on the market.

PROS

- ✓ Flexible web app that can open files using desktop software
- ✓ Integrations with over 1,500 applications
- ✓ Support for offline syncing

CONS

- ✗ Expensive for the amount of storage offered
- ✗ Low file-size limit
- ✗ Can't configure location of desktop syncing app

iCloud Drive is the simplest cloud storage and syncing program for Macs, iPhones, and iPads, and it's surprisingly good for Apple users who also have a Windows PC.

PROS

- ✓ Tightly integrated with Apple products
- ✓ Capable Windows client and web access
- ✓ Fast uploads

CONS

- ✗ No Android or Linux clients
- ✗ Can only share files with people who have an Apple ID

Comparison:

Criteria	Amazon WorkSpaces	CloudM	eyeOS	Qubes
Price	Variable pricing based on usage and features. Offers different bundles and options.	Variable pricing based on the selected plan and features.	Free (open-source) with premium features requiring subscription.	Free (open-source).
Mobile App Availability	Amazon WorkSpaces has dedicated mobile apps for iOS and Android.	CloudM offers mobile apps for iOS and Android.	EyeOS provides a mobile-friendly interface but may not have dedicated mobile apps.	Qubes is primarily designed for desktops/laptops and lacks dedicated mobile apps.

Storage Space	Offers flexible storage options based on the selected plan.	Provides customizable storage options as per subscription plans.	Depends on the server setup and user's storage allocation.	Depends on the local storage of the machine it's installed on.
UI	Amazon WorkSpaces has a user-friendly and customizable interface.	CloudM provides an intuitive and user-friendly interface.	EyeOS offers a clean and user-friendly interface.	Qubes has a more technical interface designed for security and functionality.
Sharing via Social Media	Limited native sharing capabilities. May require integration with other services.	Offers sharing via social media through integrations or native features.	Sharing capabilities might depend on additional integrations or extensions.	Primarily focuses on local and secure data management, may not have native social media sharing features.



Chat Facility	May integrate with third-party chat applications.	Provides chat and collaboration features within the platform.	Chat functionality might be available through integrations or external tools.	Focuses on security and isolation, so chat functionalities might rely on external applications.	

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the implementation and comparison of Desktop as a Service (DaaS) models underscored their effectiveness in reducing costs, enhancing scalability, and streamlining desktop management, providing valuable insights into the transformative impact of cloud-based solutions for businesses.

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