

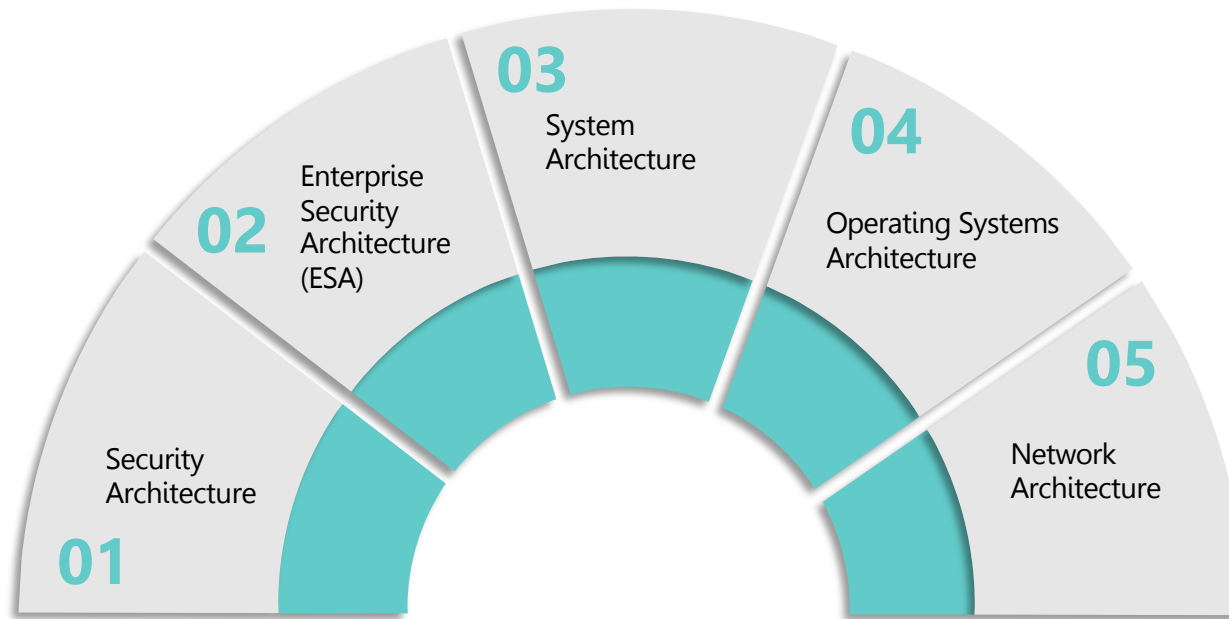
# Security Architecture and Design

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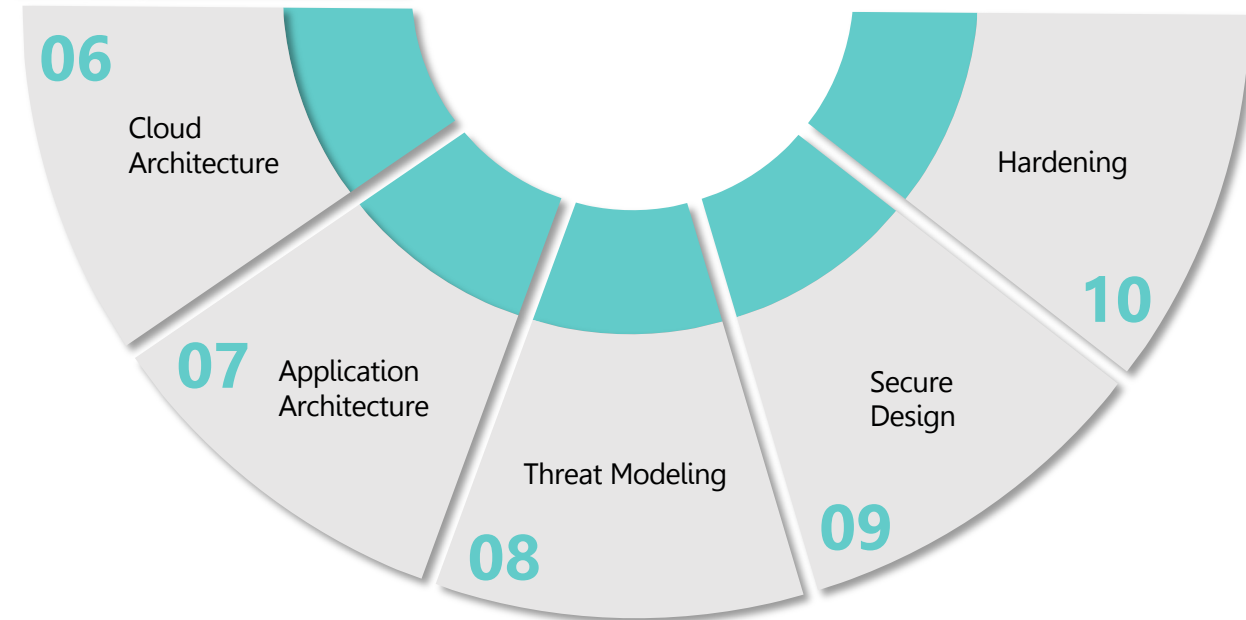
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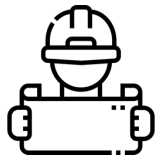
# 10 CHAPTERs



## Key Objectives of this topic

### 01 Security Architect

Develop expertise in designing secure systems, aligning security solutions with organizational goals, and collaborating with stakeholders to ensure comprehensive security measures.



### 02 System Architect

Master the design and optimization of server, network, cloud, operating system, and application architectures, ensuring they meet performance, reliability, and security requirements.



### 03 Principles

Understand and implement secure design principles, threat modeling techniques, and system hardening practices to mitigate security risks effectively.



# 01

## Introduction to Security Architect



## What is Security Architect ?

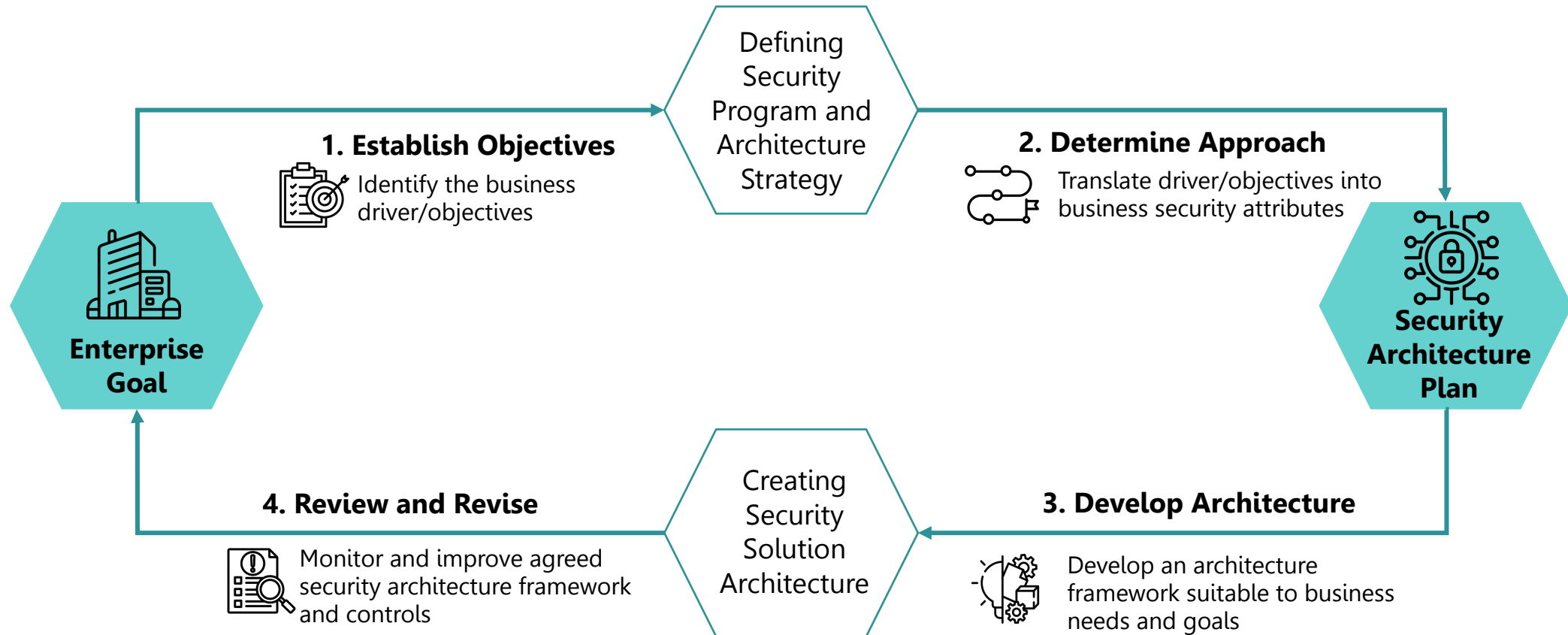
Security architect jobs combine hardware and software knowledge with programming, research, and policy development. Security architects anticipate potential threats and design systems to preempt them.

Cybersecurity architecture developed from the need to control and monitor data: who or what holds data, and how it is exchanged across networks and channels. Security architects, also called cybersecurity architects, coordinate the lifecycle of information technology processes and policies.

## Why Security Architect do ?

- Driven by business requirements rather than technical consideration
- Aligns business risks and risk appetite
- Directly trace able to business objectives
- Designed from the project outset to be cost – effective
- Meets regulatory, audit, and compliance requirement by design

## Security Architect and Enterprise Architect



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# Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA)



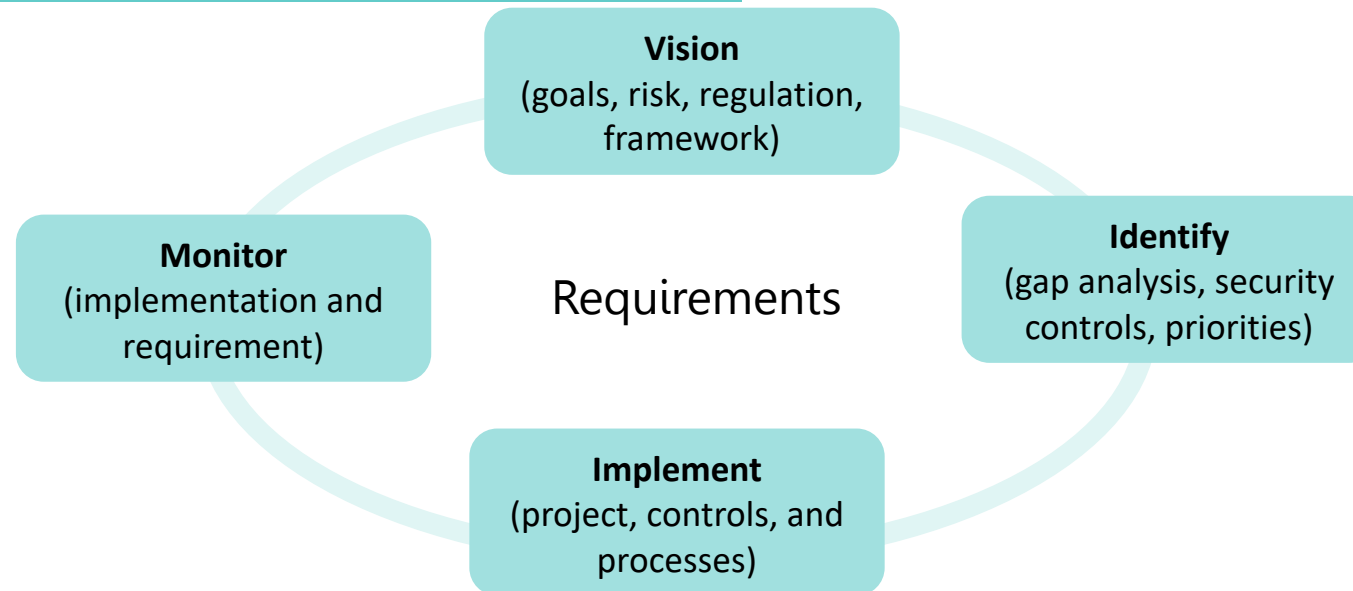


# Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA)

## What is Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA) ?

Enterprise security architecture (ESA) is the methodology and process used to develop a risk-driven security framework and business controls. The focus of an enterprise architect should be to align information security controls and processes with business strategy, goals and objectives.

## ESA life cycle management



# Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA)

## NIST Cybersecurity Framework 1.1 vs 2.0



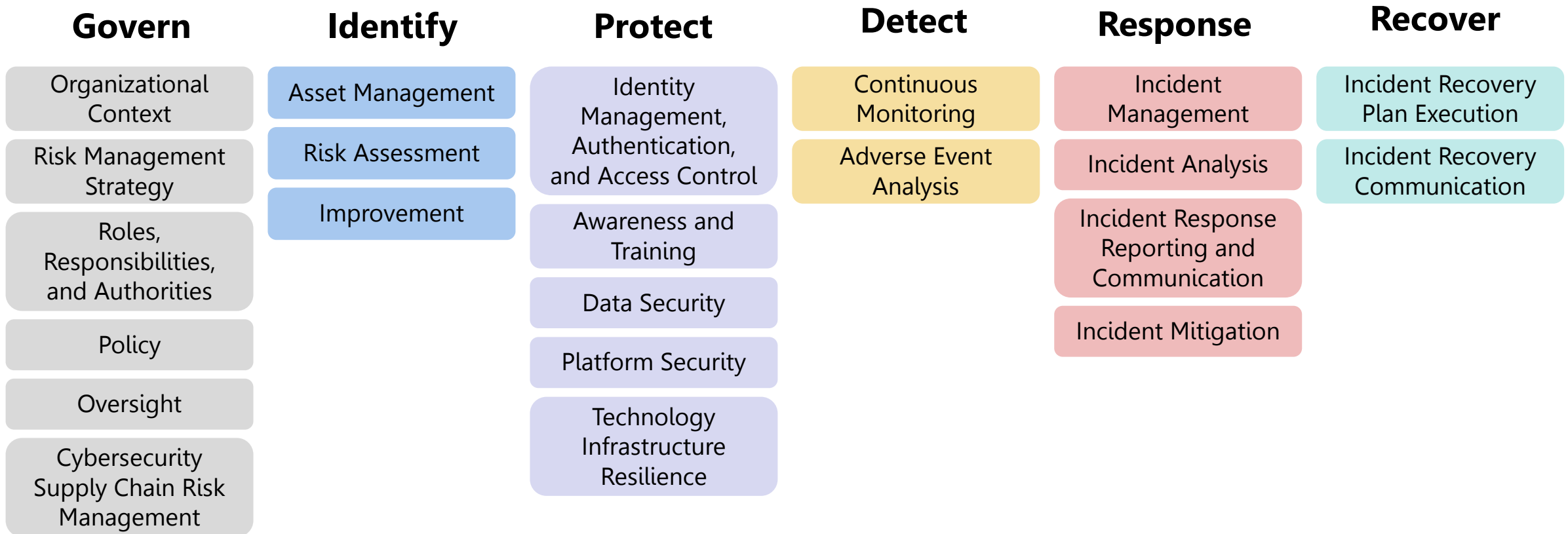
NIST Cybersecurity Framework 1.1



NIST Cybersecurity Framework 2.0

# Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA)

## NIST Cybersecurity Framework 2.0



# Enterprise Security Architecture (ESA)

## Security Maturity Level

	1.0 Initial	2.0 Developing	3.0 Defined	4.0 Managed	5.0 Optimized
<b>People</b>	Activities unstaffed or uncoordinated	Infosec leadership established, informal communication	Some roles and responsibilities established	Increased resources and awareness, clearly defined roles and responsibilities	Culture supports continuous improvement to security skills, process, technology
<b>Process</b>	No formal security program in place	Basic governance and risk management process, policies	Organization-wide processes and policies in place but minimal verification	Formal infosec committees, verification and measurement processes	Processes more comprehensively implemented, risk-based and quantitatively understood
<b>Technology</b>	Despite security issues, no controls exist	Some controls in development with limited documentation	More controls documented and developed, but over-reliant on individual efforts	Controls monitored, measured for compliance, but uneven levels of automation	Controls more comprehensively implemented, automated and subject to continuous improvement

# Key Takeaway – 01 Security Architect

## Key Takeaway for 01 Security Architect

### **Security Architect**

- Security architecture involves designing and implementing security solutions to protect organizational assets and data.

### **Enterprise Security Architect**

- Security architects focus on designing secure systems, while enterprise security architects develop comprehensive security strategies for large-scale enterprises.

# 03

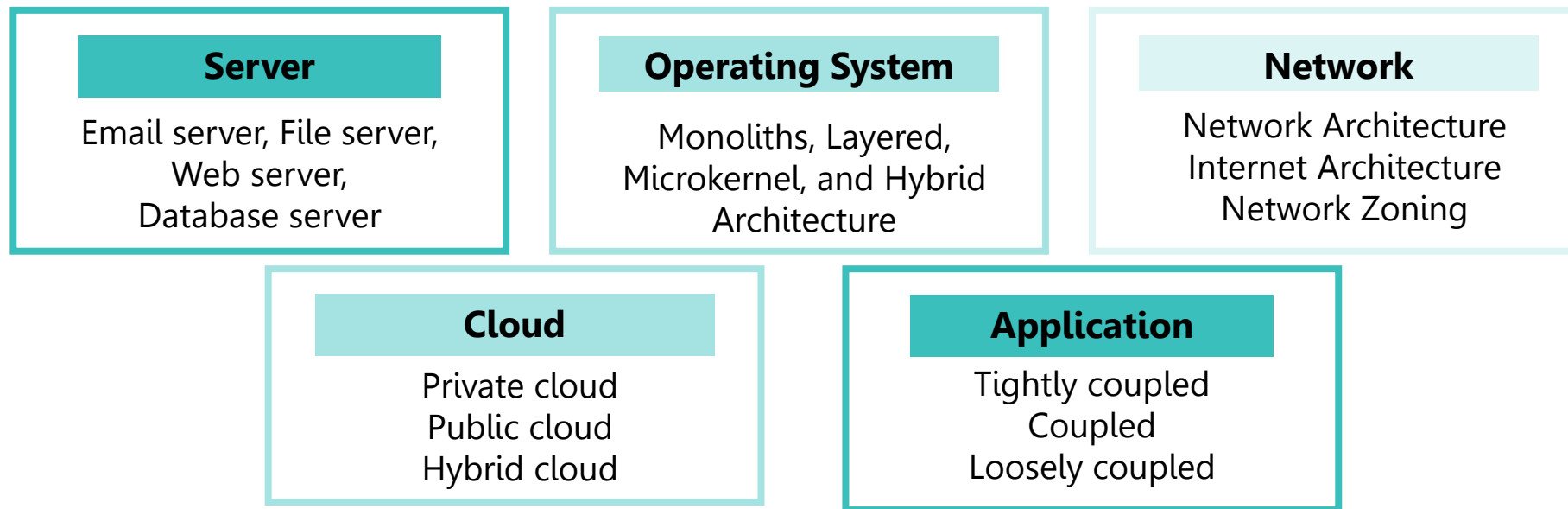
## System Architecture

# System Architecture

## What is System Architecture ?

The architecture of a system reflects how the system is used and how it interacts with other systems and the outside world. It describes the interconnection of all the system's components and the data link between them. The architecture of a system reflects the way it is thought about in terms of its structure, functions, and relationships.

## What is "System" we talk about ?



# System Architecture - Servers

## Several types of servers

### Mail Server

send and receive e-mails between parties

### File Server

File servers are centralized locations for file storage and are accessed by many clients

### Web Server

These high-performance servers host many different websites, and clients access them through the Internet

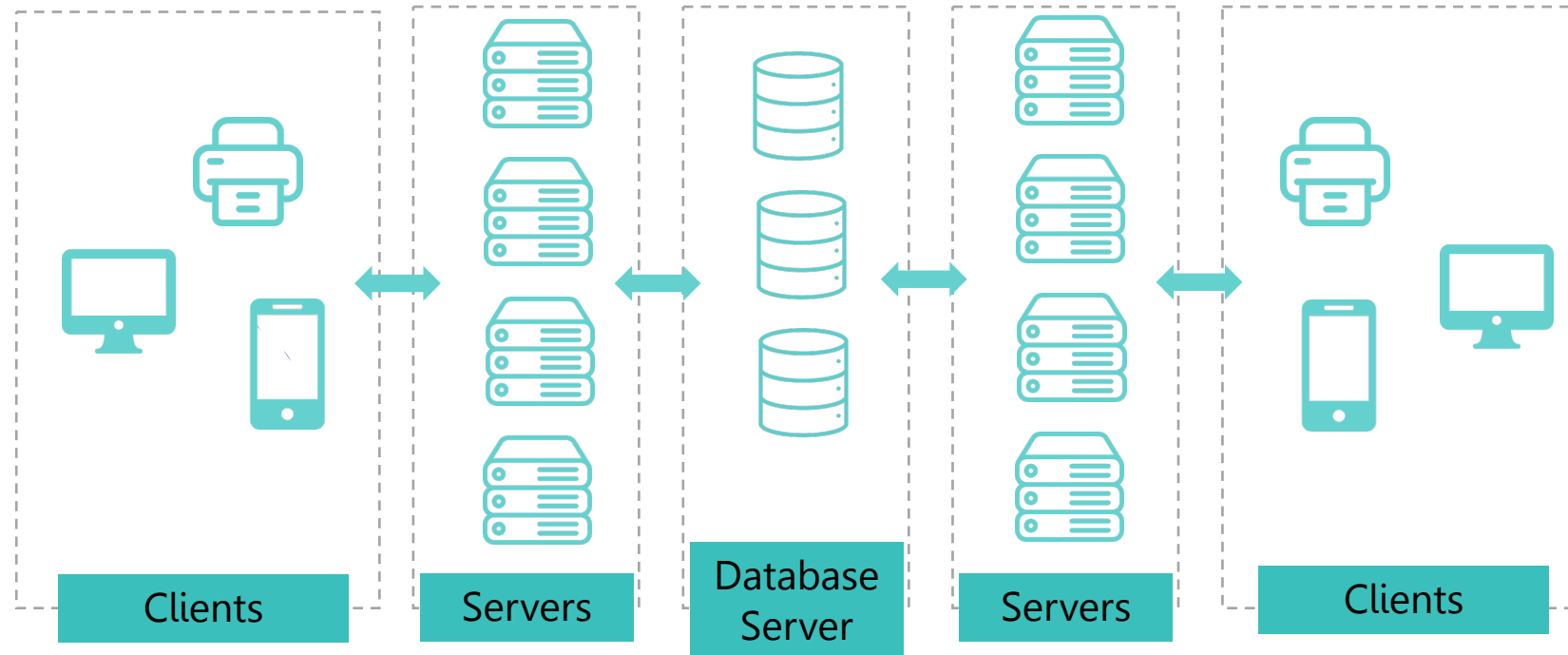
### Database Server

A database server helps users or companies store, manage, retrieve, update or change files, information logs and other forms of digital data



# System Architecture - Server

Client-Server diagram shows the basics of the architecture



**The Client-Server Model**

# 04

## Operating Systems Architecture

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## What is Operating Systems Architecture ?

The operating system provides an environment for the users to execute computer programs. Operating systems are already installed on the computers you buy for eg personal computers have windows, Linux, and macOS, mainframe computers have z/OS, z/VM, etc., and mobile phones have operating systems such as Android, and iOS. The architecture of an operating system consists of four major components hardware, kernel, shell, and application

## Key terms of Operating System

The application represents the software that a user is running on an operating system it can be either system or application software e.g. slack, sublime text editor, etc.

### Application

The shell represents software that provides an interface for the user where it serves to launch or start some program for which the user gives instructions.

It can be of two types first is a command line and another is a graphical user interface for.

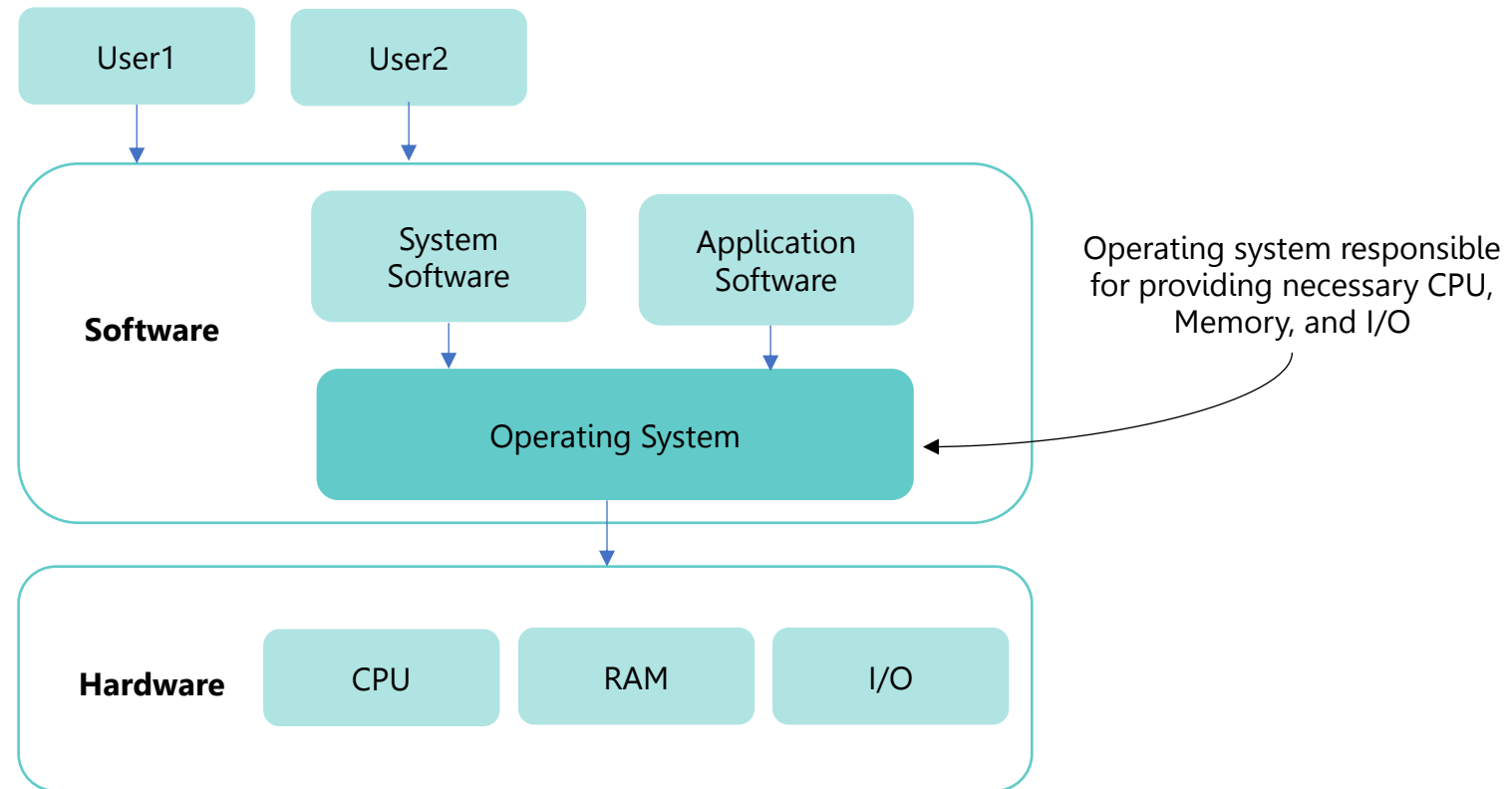
### Shell

Kernel represents the most central and crucial part of the operating system where it is used for resource management i.e. it provides necessary I/O, processor, and memory to the application processes through inter-process communication mechanisms and system calls.

### Kernel

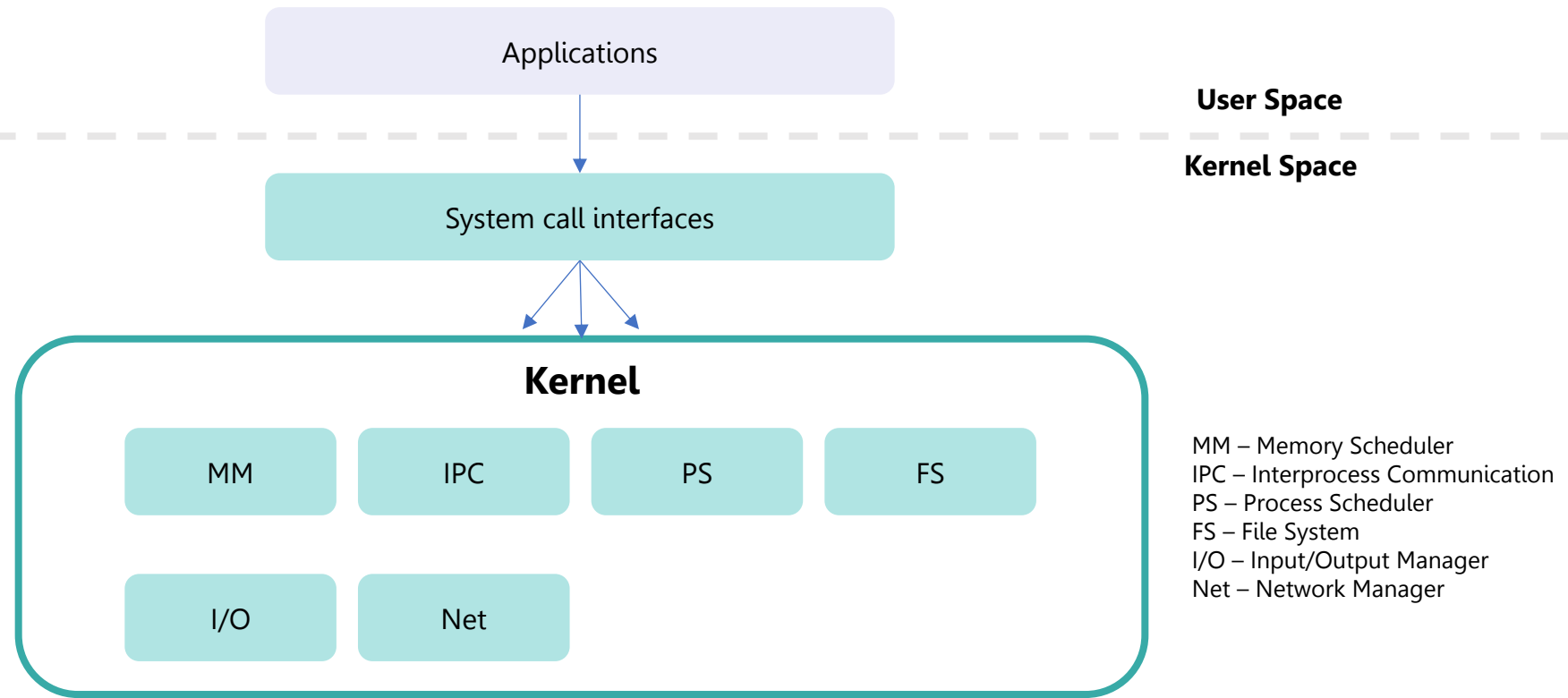
# Operating Systems Architecture

## The architecture of an operating system



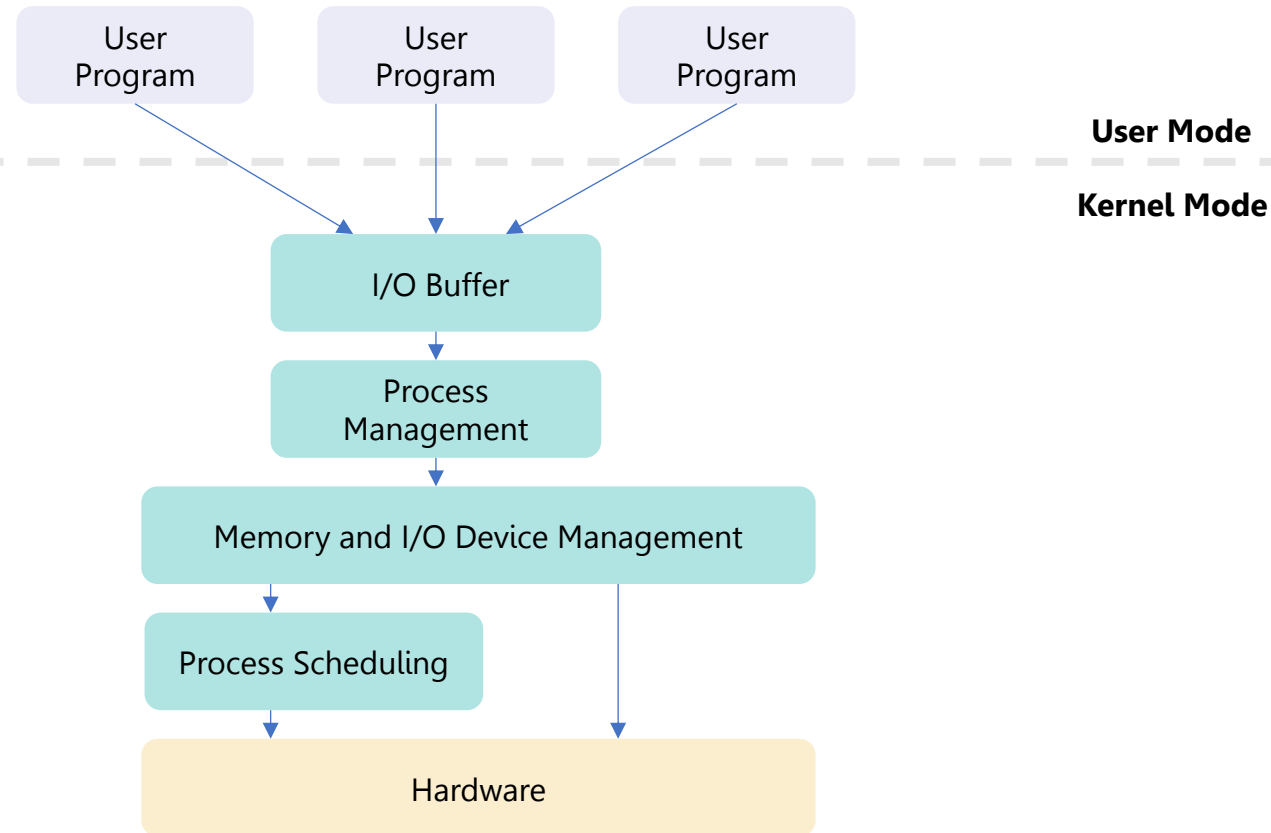
# Types of Architectures of Operating System

## 1) Monolithic Architecture



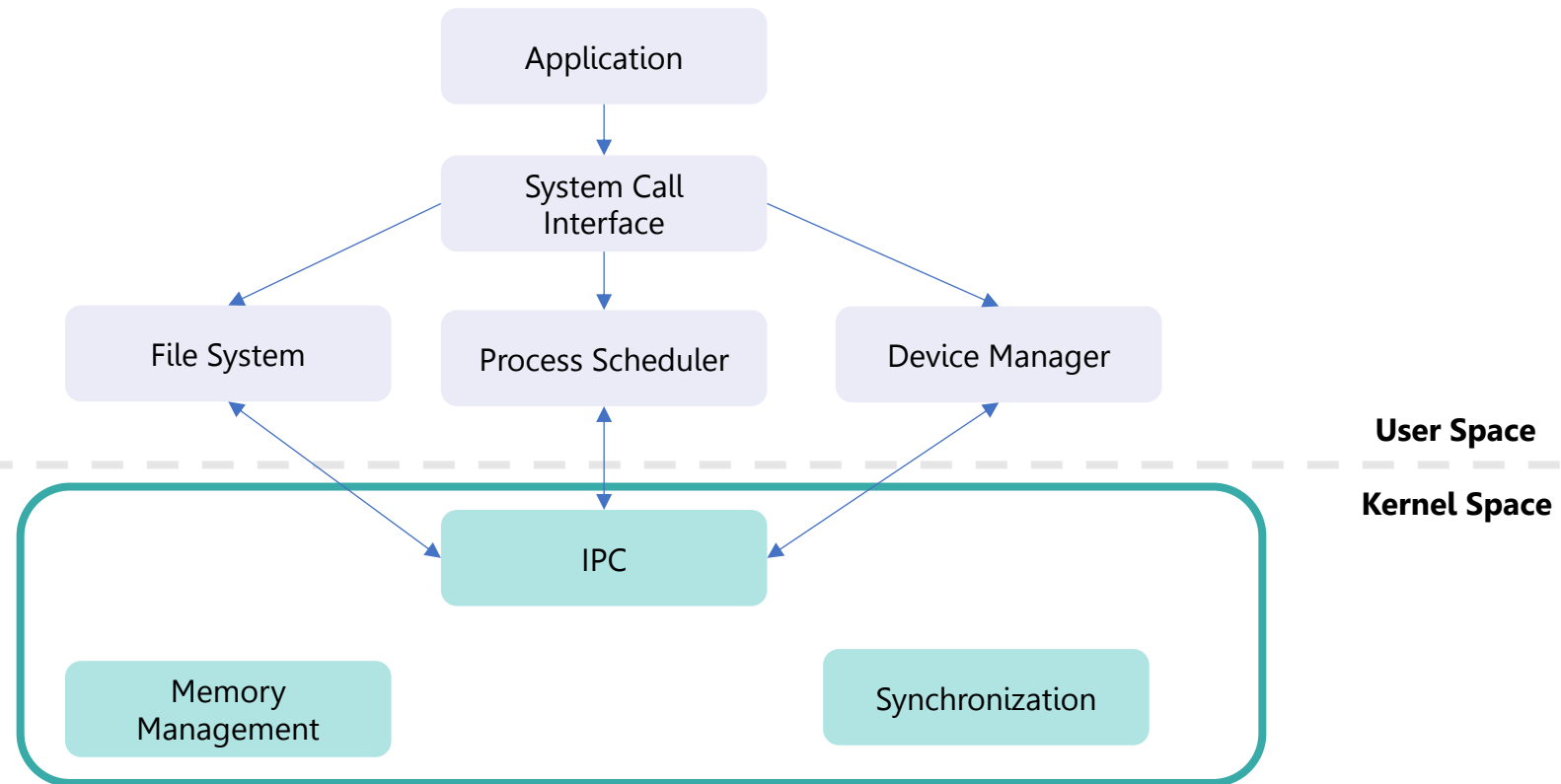
# Types of Architectures of Operating System

## 2) Layered architecture



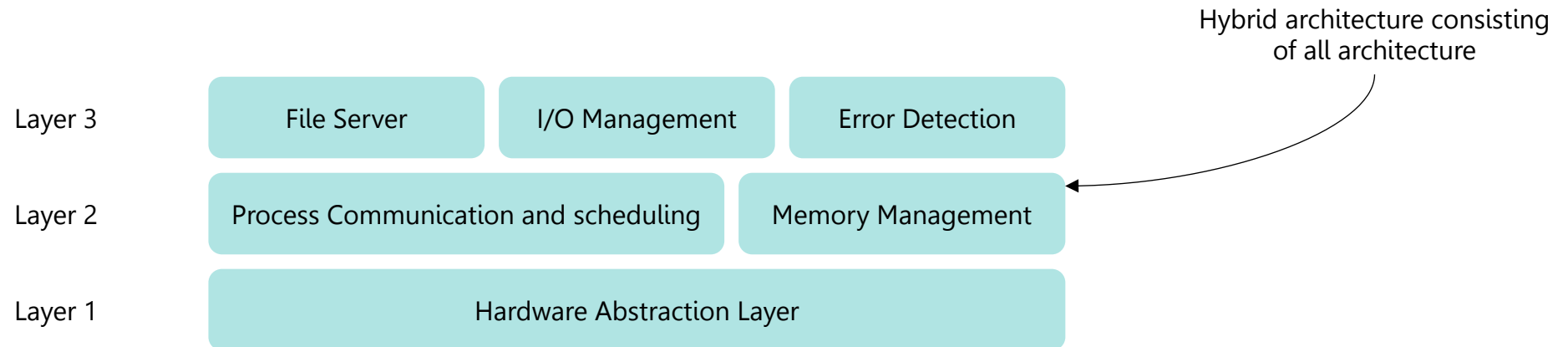
# Types of Architectures of Operating System

## 3) Microkernel Architecture



# Types of Architectures of Operating System

## 4) Hybrid Architecture





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# Network Architecture

## What is Network Architecture ?

Network architecture refers to the way network devices and services are structured to serve the connectivity needs of client devices.

- Network devices typically include switches and routers.
- Types of services include DHCP and DNS.
- Client devices comprise end-user devices, servers, and smart things.

## Key Components of Network Architecture Design

### Hardware

Routers

Switches

Servers

Firewall

### Network Protocols

Internet Protocol (IP)

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

### Transmission Media

Wired networks

Wireless networks

### Network Topologies

Mesh Network

Hybrid Network

Software-Defined Networking (SDN)

Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Network

Tree (Hierarchical) Network

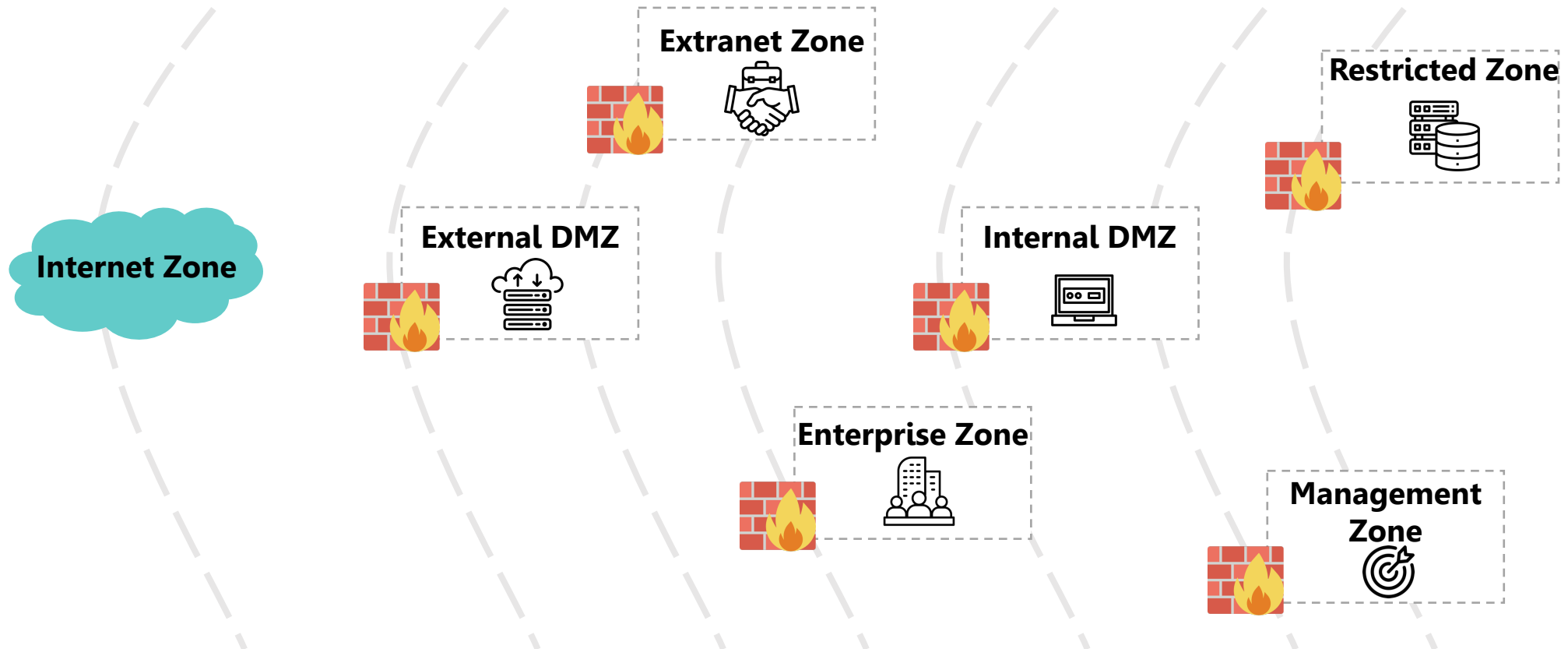
Virtual Network (Overlay Network)

Cloud (Multi-tenant)

Hybrid-Cloud

Multicloud

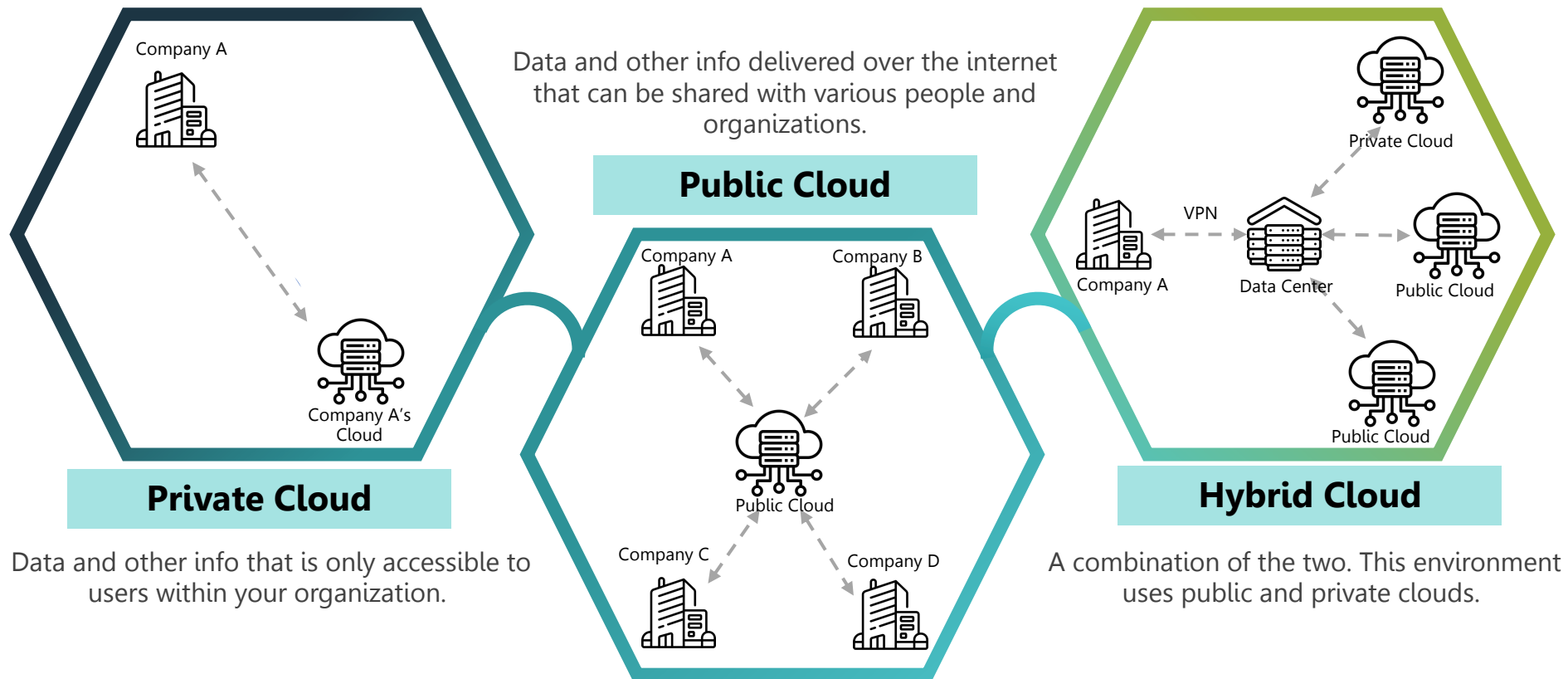
## Network Zoning



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# Cloud Architecture

## Different Cloud Architecture Models



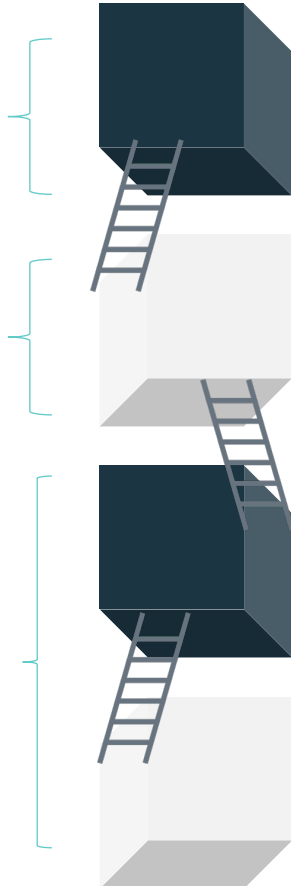
# Cloud Architecture

## Different Types of Cloud Computing Layers

**SaaS**  
Users

**PaaS**  
Software Developer

**IaaS**  
System Admin



**Application Layer**  
(Business Application, Web Services, Multimedia)

Gmail

Facebook

SalesForce

Youtube

**Platform Layer**  
(Social Framework)

Amazon Simple

Google App Engine

**Infrastructure Layer**  
(Storage, Virtual Machine)

Amazon Web Service

Flexiscale

Rack Space

**Datacenter Layer**  
(CPU, Bandwidth, Disk, Memory)

Data Centers

## Different Types of Cloud Computing Layers - Controls

### SaaS

Access Control

Application

Data

OS

Servers

Network

Access to Cloud  
Customers

### PaaS

Access Control

Application

Data

OS

Servers

Network

### IaaS

Access Control

Application

Data

OS

Servers

Network

Access to Cloud  
Providers



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# Application Architecture

# Application Architecture

## What is Application Architecture ?

An application architecture describes the patterns and techniques used to design and build an application. The architecture gives you a roadmap and best practices to follow when building an application, so that you end up with a well-structured app.

When deciding which application architecture to use for a new application, or when evaluating your current architecture, start by determining your strategic goals.

Then you can design the architecture that supports your goals, instead of choosing an architecture first and trying to make an application fit within that structure.

## 5 types of application architectures

### Tightly Coupled

Monoliths Architecture  
N-tier Architecture

### Decoupled

Microservices

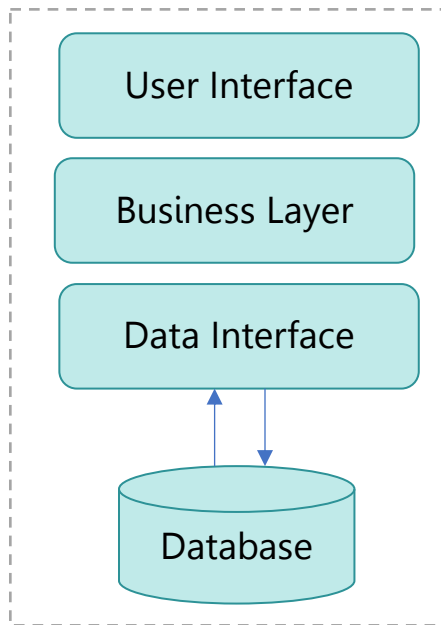
### Loosely Coupled

Event-driven Architecture  
Service-oriented Architecture

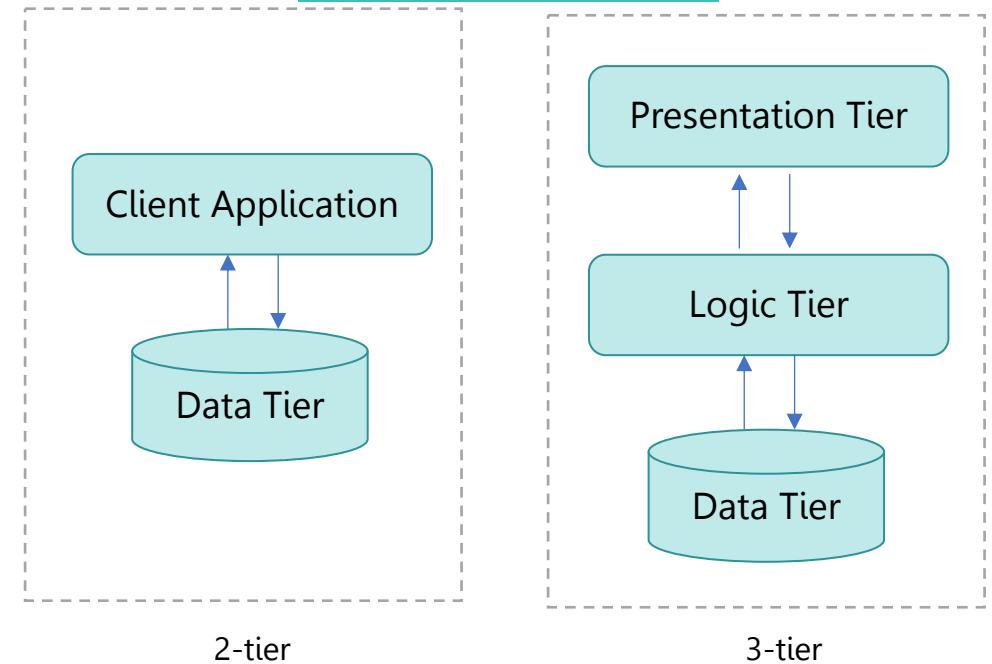
# Application Architecture

## Different types of application architectures - Tightly Coupled

### Monoliths Architecture

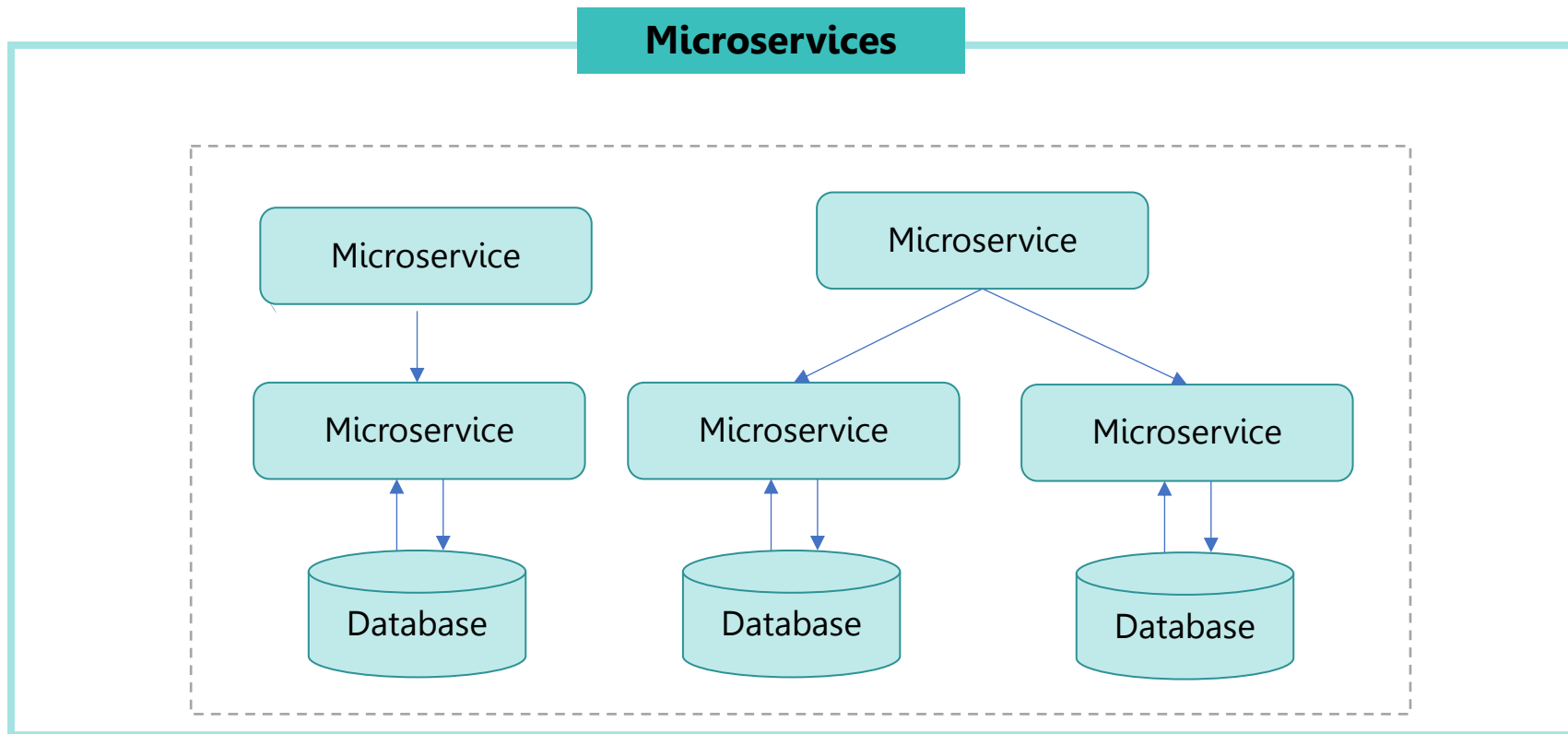


### N-tier Architecture



# Application Architecture

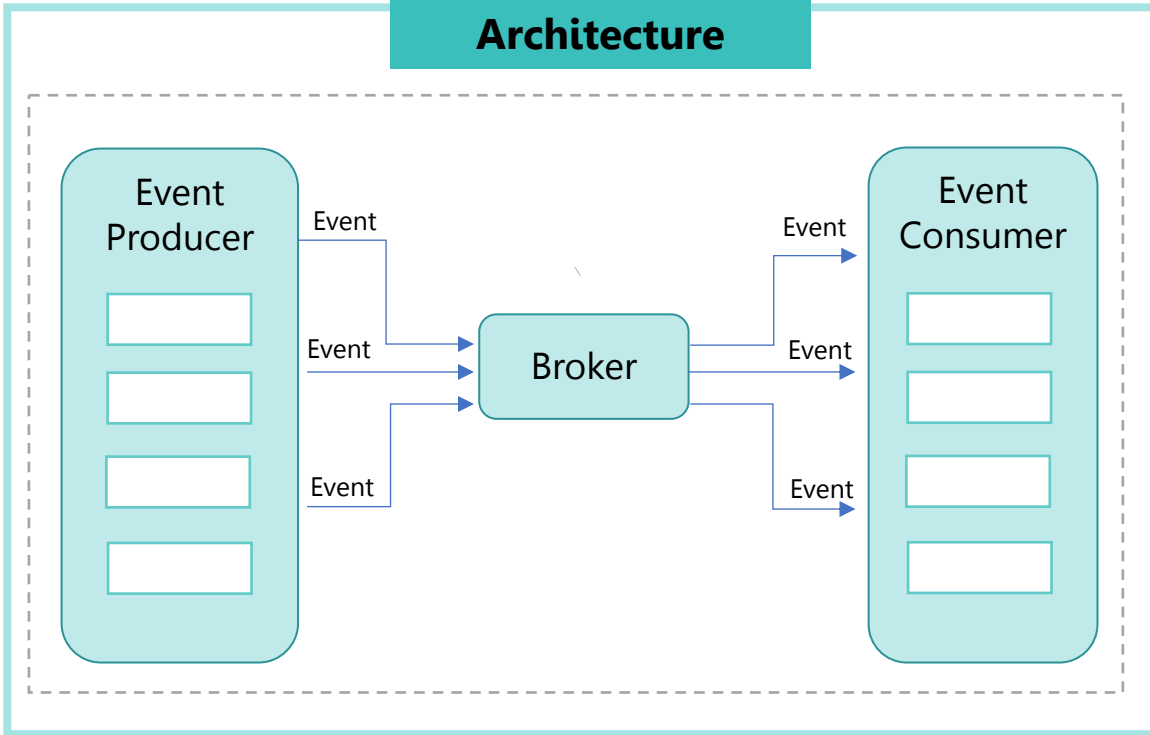
## Different types of application architectures - Decoupled



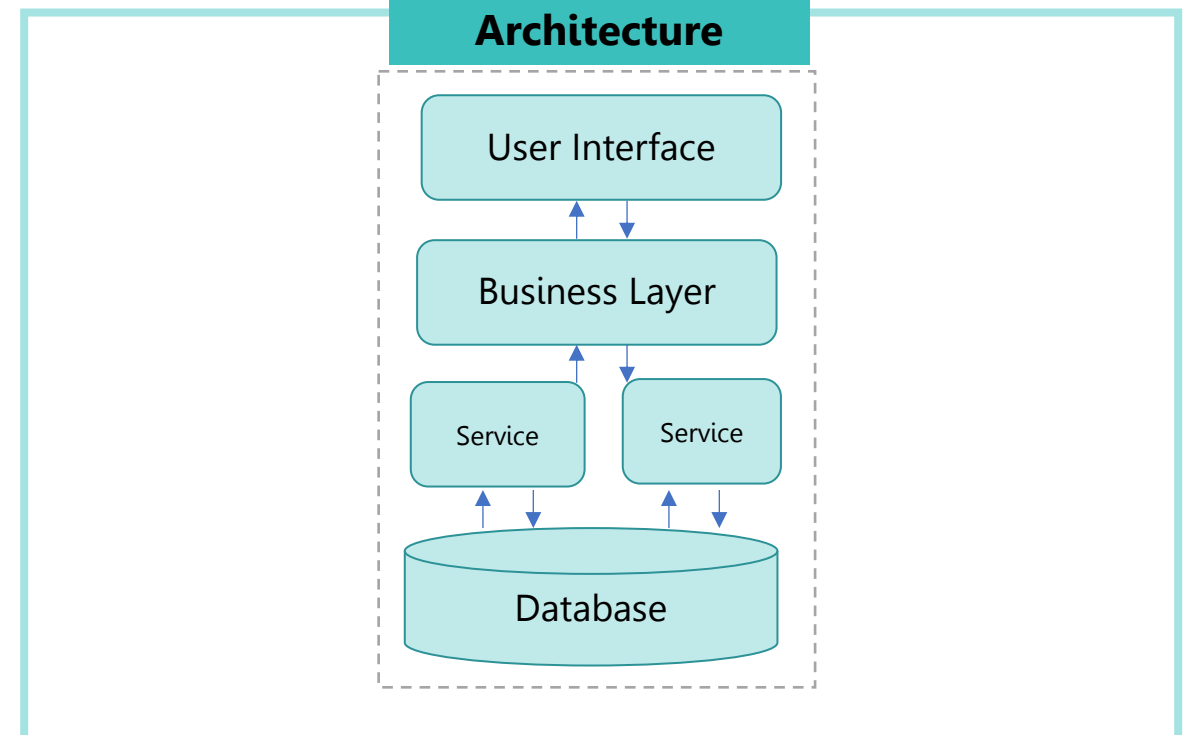
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## Different types of application architectures - Loosely Coupled

### Event-driven Architecture

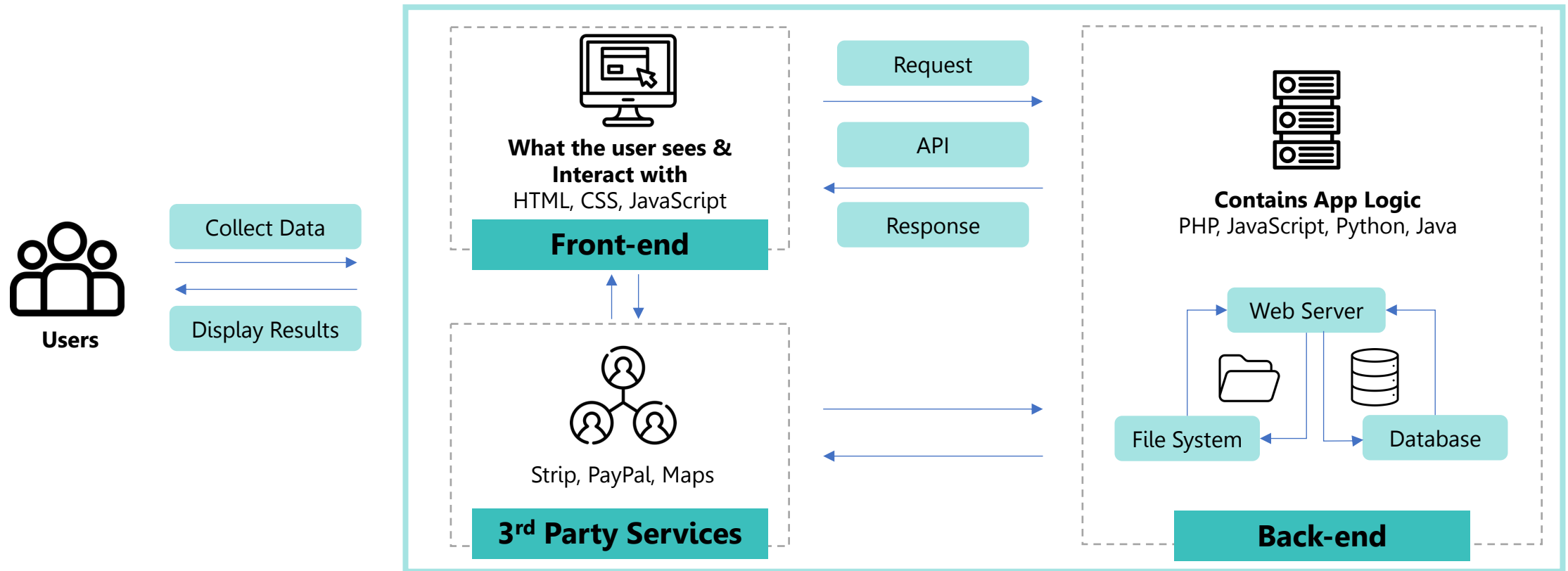


### Service-oriented Architecture



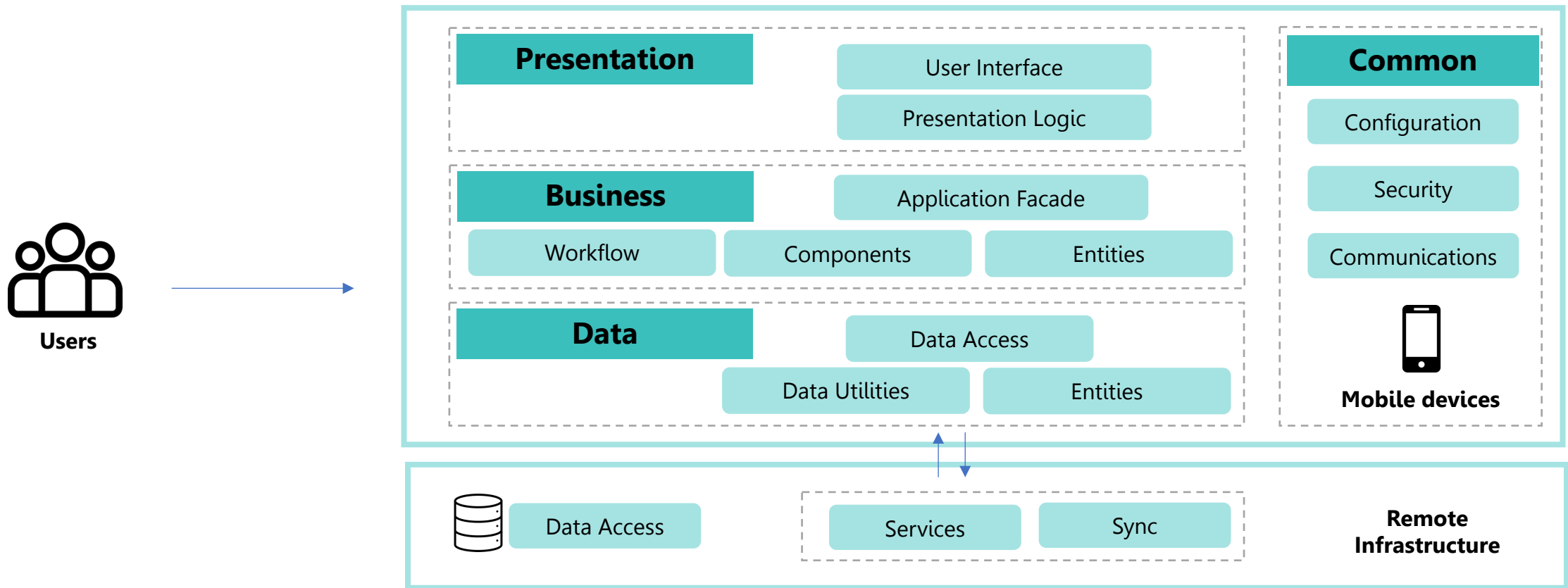
# Application Architecture

## Different types application architectures – Web application architecture



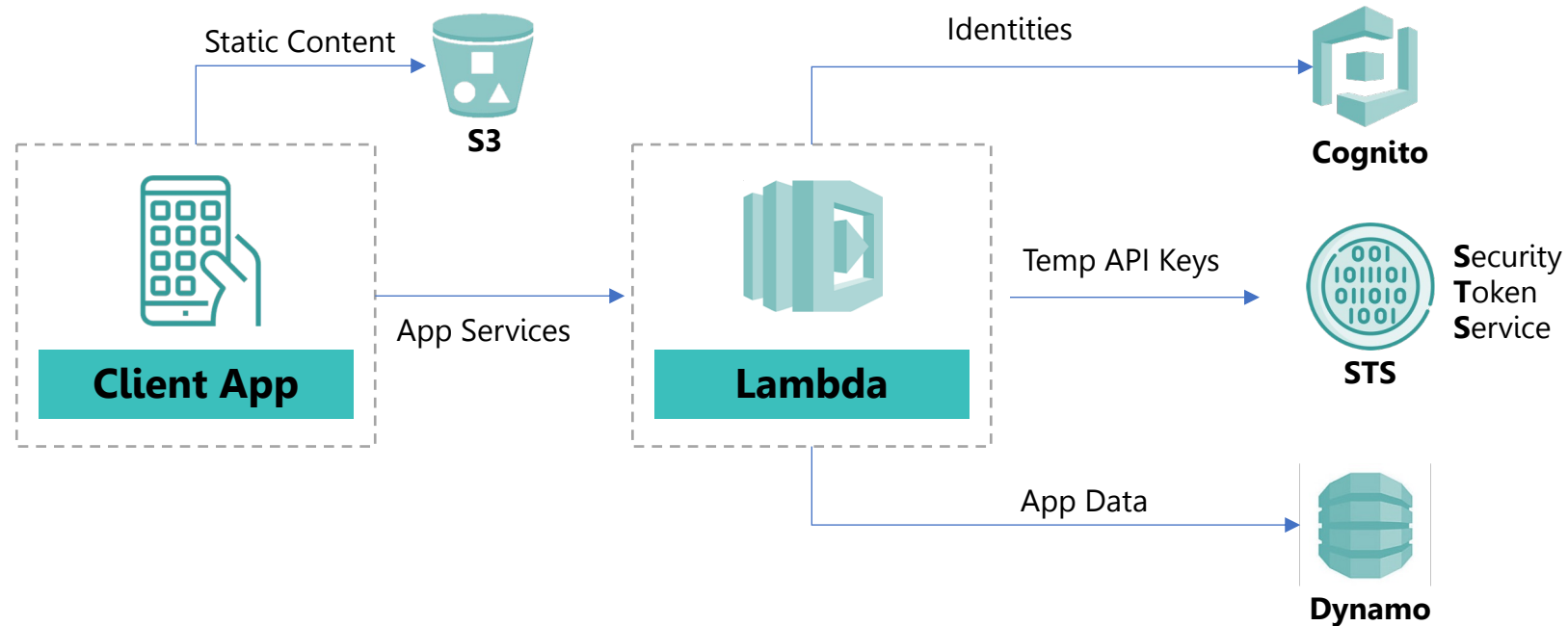
# Application Architecture

## Different types application architectures – Mobile application architecture



# Application Architecture

## Different types application architectures – Serverless application architecture (AWS)





# Key Takeaway – 02 System Architect

## Key Takeaway for 02 System Architect

### Server Architecture

- Design resilient servers with top-notch security.
- Keep data safe and performance high.

### OS Architecture

- Keep OS updated, secure, and tight.
- Harden defenses, keep threats out of sight.

### Network architecture

- Secure networks for seamless communication.
- Keep data confidential, always in motion.

### Cloud Architecture

- Cloud security, compliant and robust.
- Encrypt, control, and integrate with trust.

### Application Architecture

- Build apps strong, scalable, and smart.
- Secure code, encryption, play your part.

# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

## Goal of doing DevSecOps

### 1. Increasing

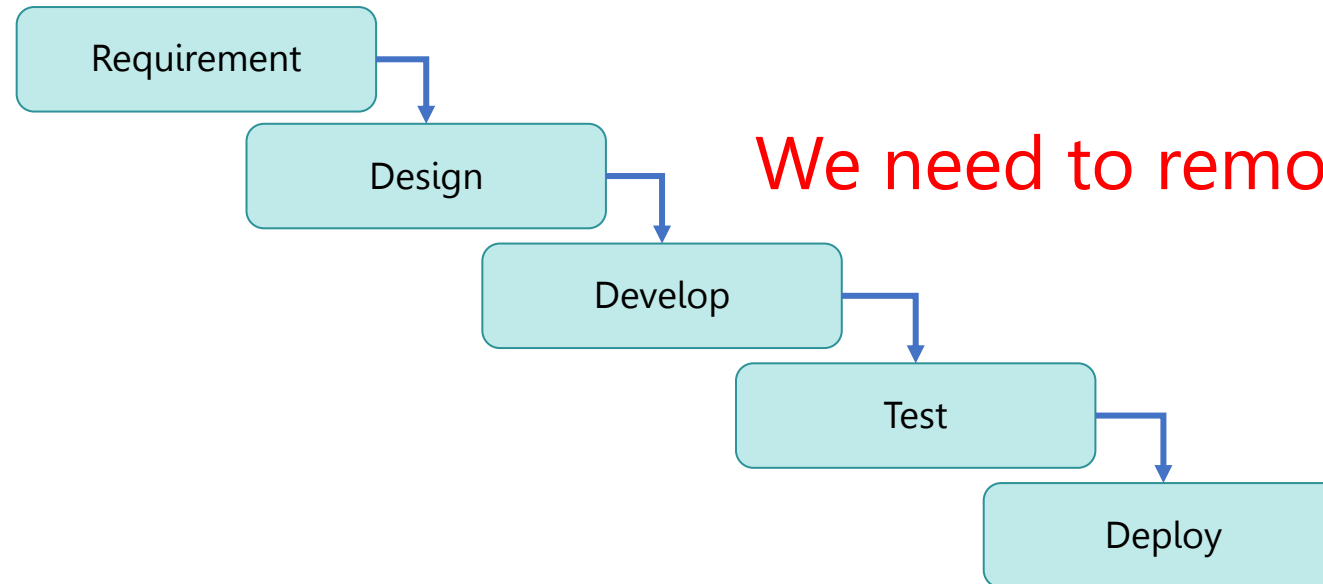
- Throughput = Money
- Generated terms of sales

### 2. Reducing

- Inventory : investment made in producing products
- Operational expenses = cost necessary to turn inventories into finished product

## Waterfall model

- Sequential
- No iteration
- Slower release

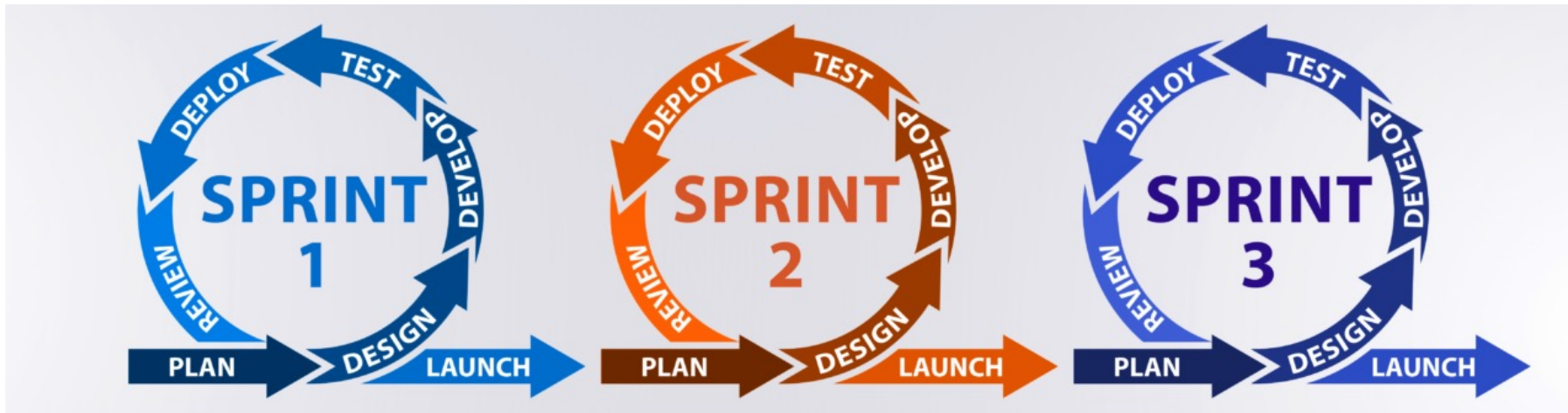


We need to remove bottle neck

# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

## Agile Development Process

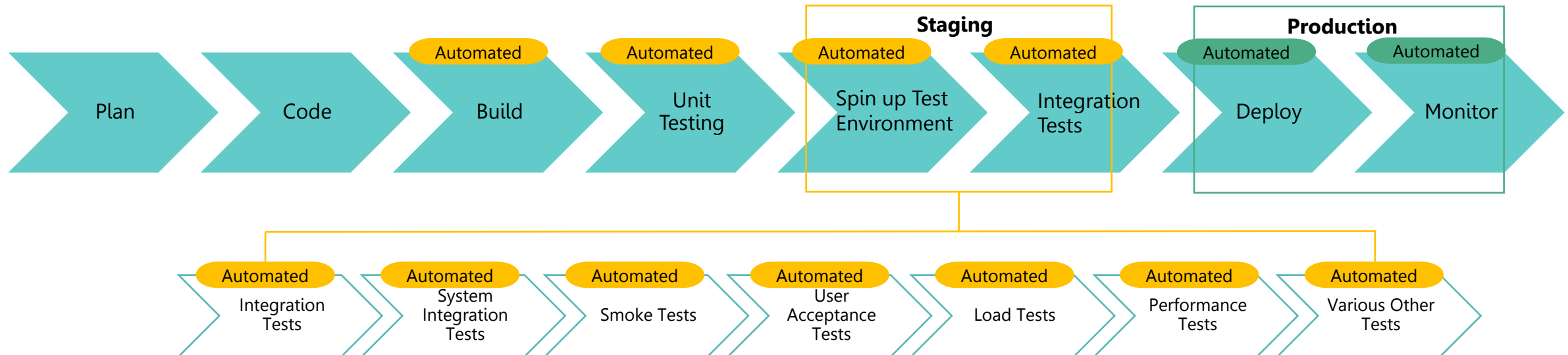
- Enhanced speed through iteration development
- Encourage breaking down large feature into more time-bound manageable chunks
- Facilitated the need for sprints retrospectives, and collaborative development



# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

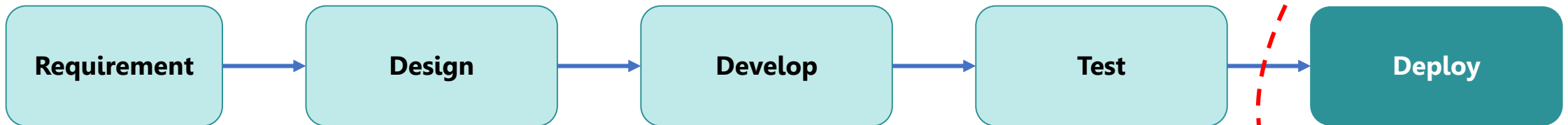
## CI and CD

- **Continuous Integration (CI)** => Developers integrate code into a shared repo (Git) multiple times a day. Each integration triggers and is verified by automated tests resulting in an automated build.
- **Continuous Deployment (CD)** => Builds on CI. Code built by CI is deployed to a target environment through a series of automated deployment steps



# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

Security is very waterfall



Application Delivery



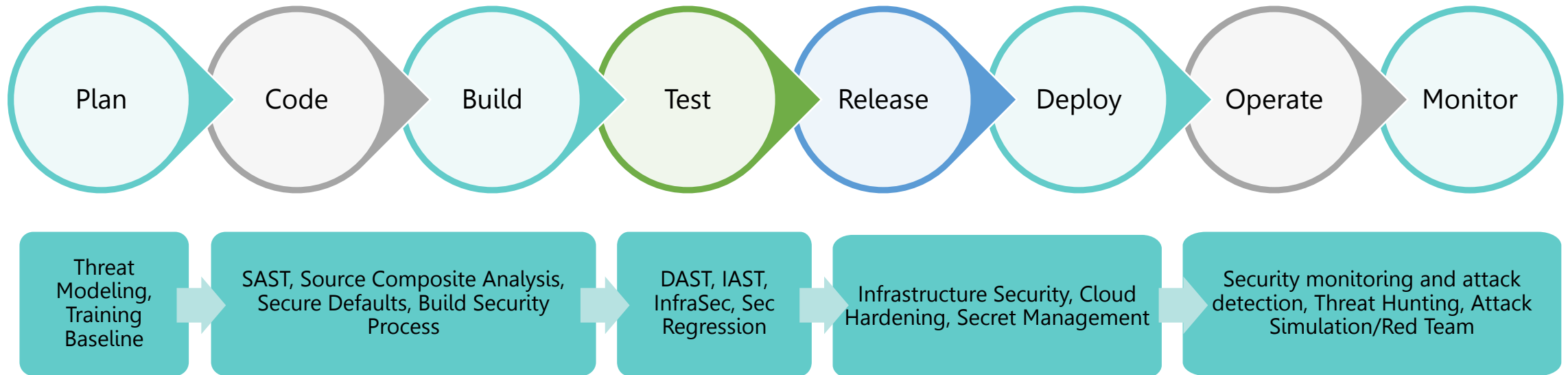
Application Security

**Security  
Test Here**

Security is still viewed as a Gatekeeper process

# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

## Security adding to DevOps



# Application Architecture - DevSecOps

## Benefits of DevSecOps

- DevSecOps is an approach that integrates security into the software development process, providing several benefits
- Early detection of security vulnerabilities and issues, reducing the risk of security breaches.
- Improved collaboration between development, operations, and security teams, leading to faster and more efficient software development.
- Continuous security monitoring and testing, ensuring that security measures are up-to-date and effective.

## Best Practices for Implementing DevSecOps

- Implement security measures and practices throughout the software development lifecycle, from design to deployment.
- Automate security testing and monitoring processes to detect vulnerabilities and issues in real-time.
- Provide security training and awareness programs for developers and other team members to ensure a security-focused mindset.

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# Threat modeling



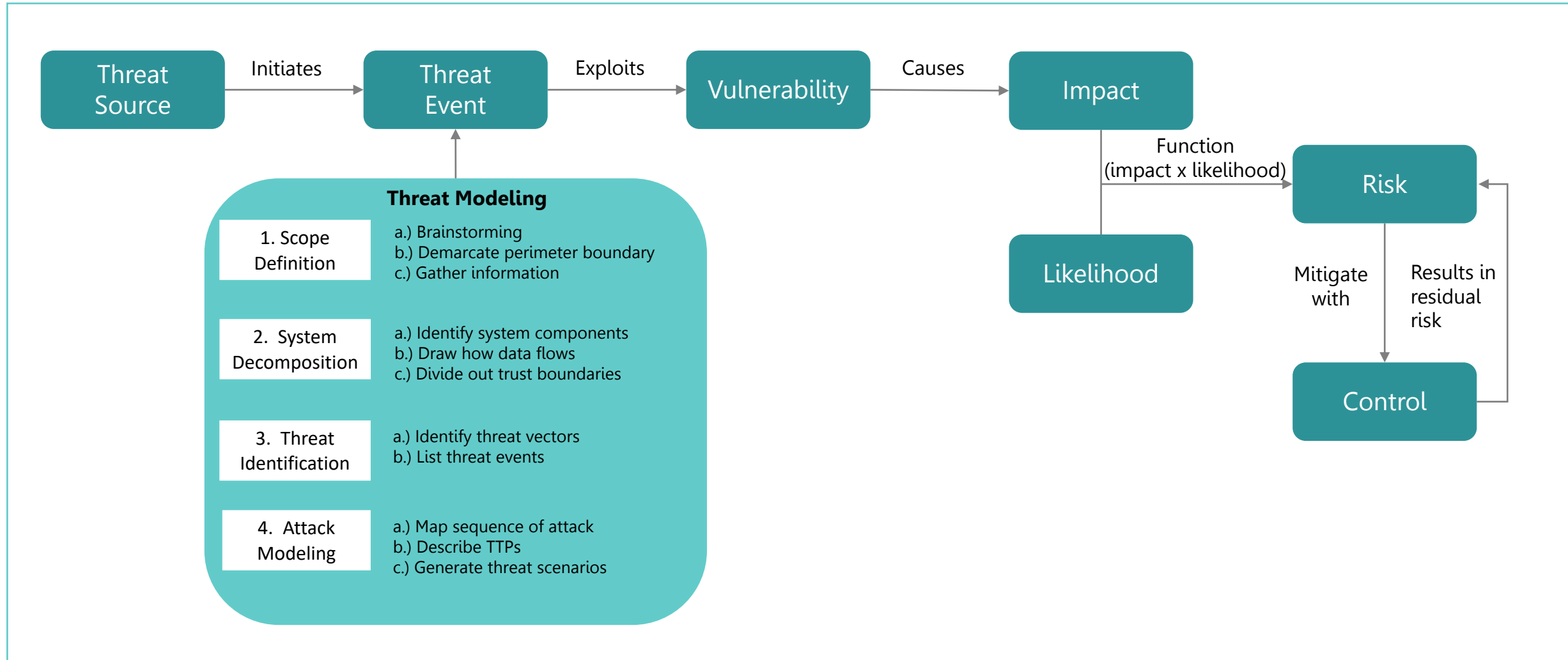
## What is Threat Modeling?

- Threat modeling is a process in security architecture and design.
- Identifying and analyzing potential threats to a system or application.
- Organizations can implement effective security measures to mitigate risks and protect against attacks.

## Why threat modeling is important?

- Outlining the concern you have as it pertains to a specific system, application, or process
- Making a list outlining the assumptions regarding the threat, which need to be verified as conditions change
- A concrete list of threats
- A list of remediation and elimination steps
- A way to make sure the methods of dealing with the threats are successful and still valid as the threat landscape changes

# Threat Modeling fits into Risk Assessment



# Step 1: Preliminaries and Scope Definition

## Task A: Gather Information

Users should gather information pertaining to the system architecture and dependences by referring to system operations manual, software design document (SDD), technical specification or any system-related documentation. Users can also interview the system custodian, system administrator, and database administrator to get their input on the system architecture.

## Task B: Demarcate Perimeter Boundary

Based on existing network diagrams and architecture drawings, Users should demarcate the perimeter boundary to determine the scope for threat modelling. Some examples of guiding principles to determine what component is within the perimeter boundary may include, but are not limited, to the following:

- Components deployed behind data diodes or “demilitarized zones” (DMZs);
- Components that support the functioning and running of the system at any point in time e.g. servers, databases, client workstations, hosts, switches, routers etc.; and
- Components that support the cybersecurity of the system e.g. firewalls, intrusion detection systems (IDS), intrusion prevention systems (IPS).

## Step 2: System Decomposition

### Task A: Identify System Components

External  
Entity/User

An external entity/user is a subject that accesses the system

Process

A process is a component where data manipulation, transformation and/or control takes place.

Multiple  
Process

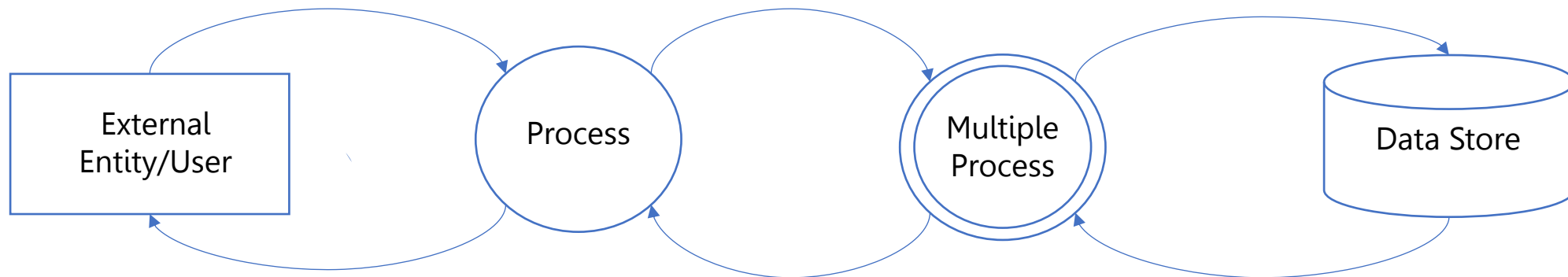
Multiple process is a component where data manipulation, transformation and/or control takes place as a cluster.

Data Store

A data store is a persistent repository of data required and/or produced by a process.

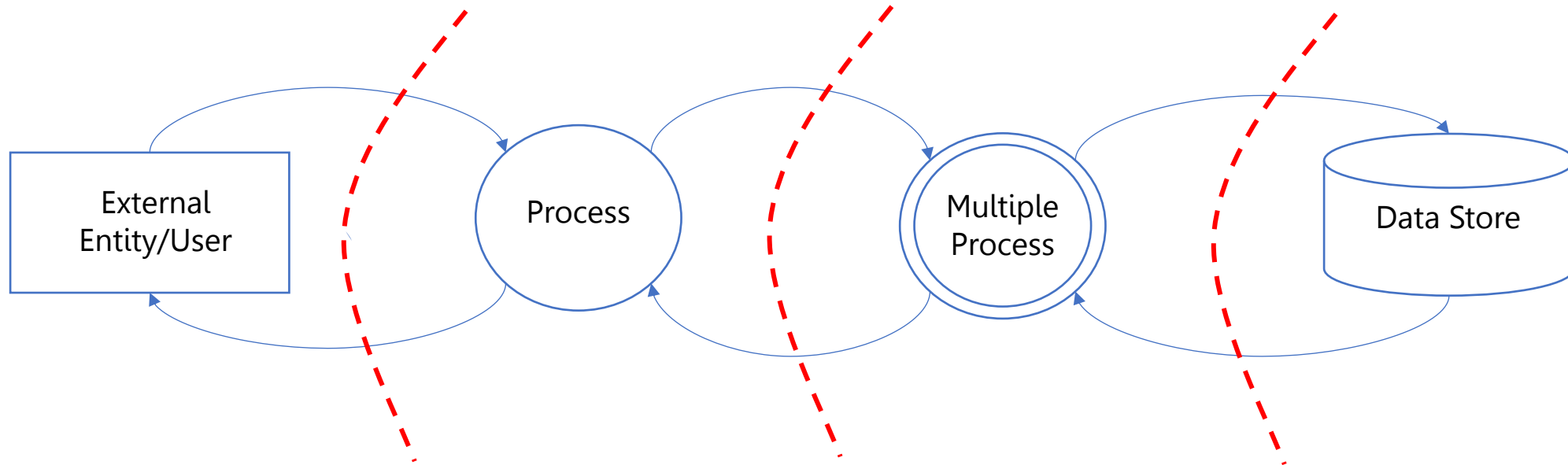
## Step 2: System Decomposition

### Task B: Draw How Data Flows



# Step 2: System Decomposition

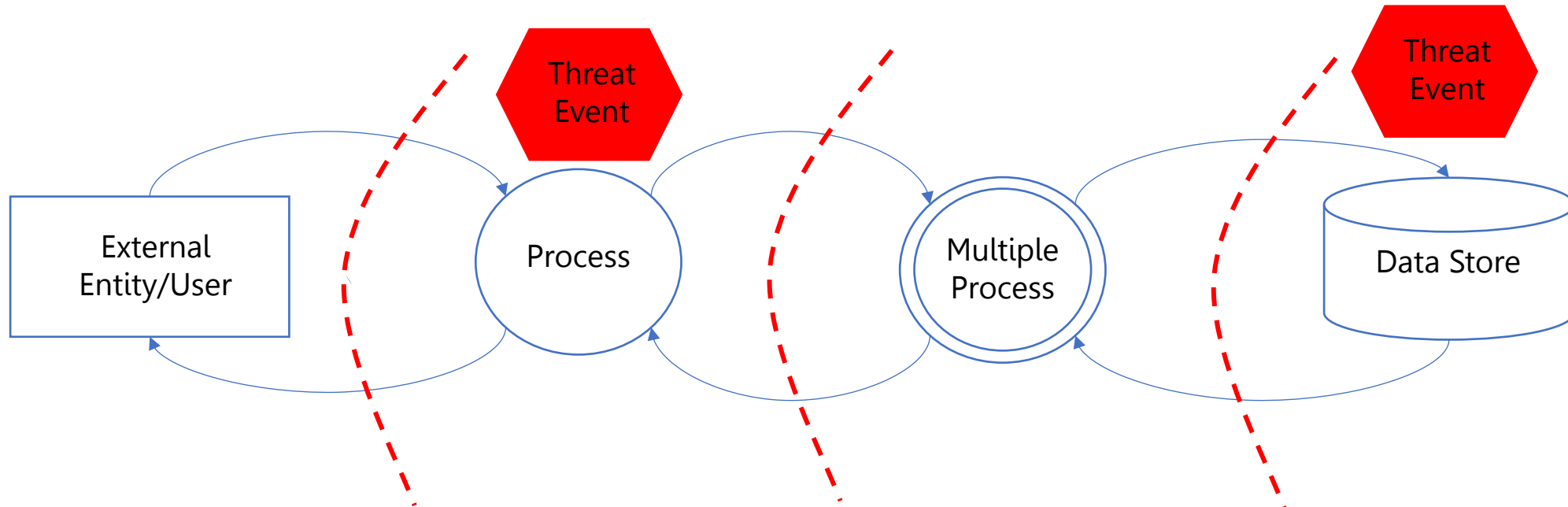
## Task C: Divide Out Trust Boundaries



# Step 3: Threat Identification

## Task A: Identify Threat Vectors

## Task B: List Possible Threat Events

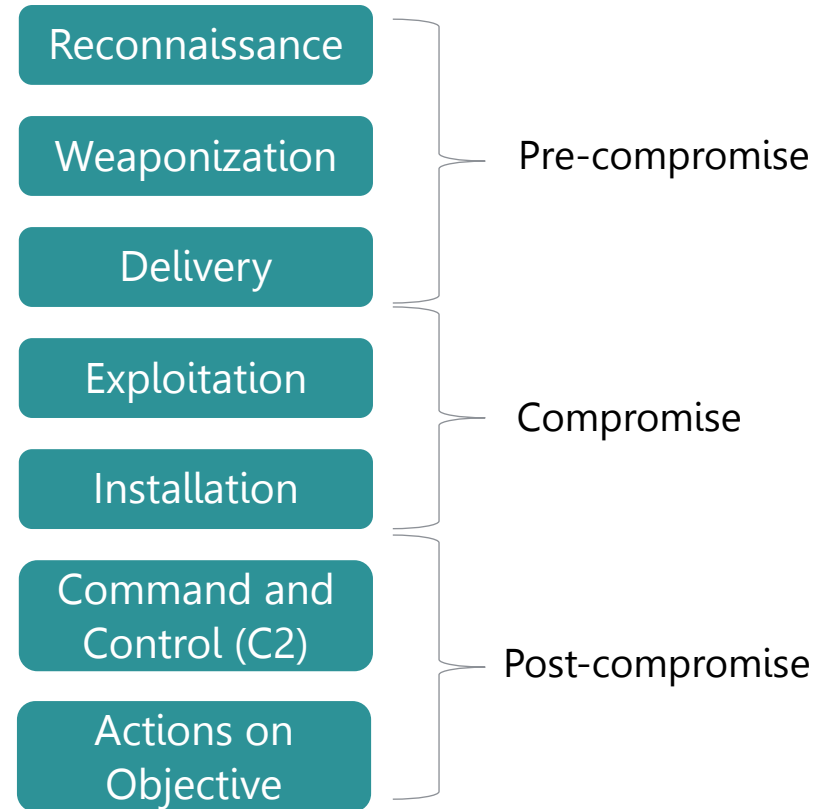


# Step 4: Attack Modelling

## MITRE ATT&CK

MITRE ID	Name	Description
TA0001	Initial Access	To enter the system
TA0002	Execution	To run malicious code
TA0003	Persistence	To maintain a foothold
TA0004	Privilege Escalation T	To gain higher-level permissions
TA0005	Defense Evasion	To avoid being detected
TA0006	Credential Access	To steal account names and passwords
TA0007	Discovery	To learn about the system environment
TA0008	Lateral Movement	To traverse through the system environment
TA0009	Collection	To gather information of interest
TA0011	Command and Control	To control a compromised system
TA0010	Exfiltration	To steal data
TA0040	Impact	To manipulate, interrupt, or destroy your systems and data

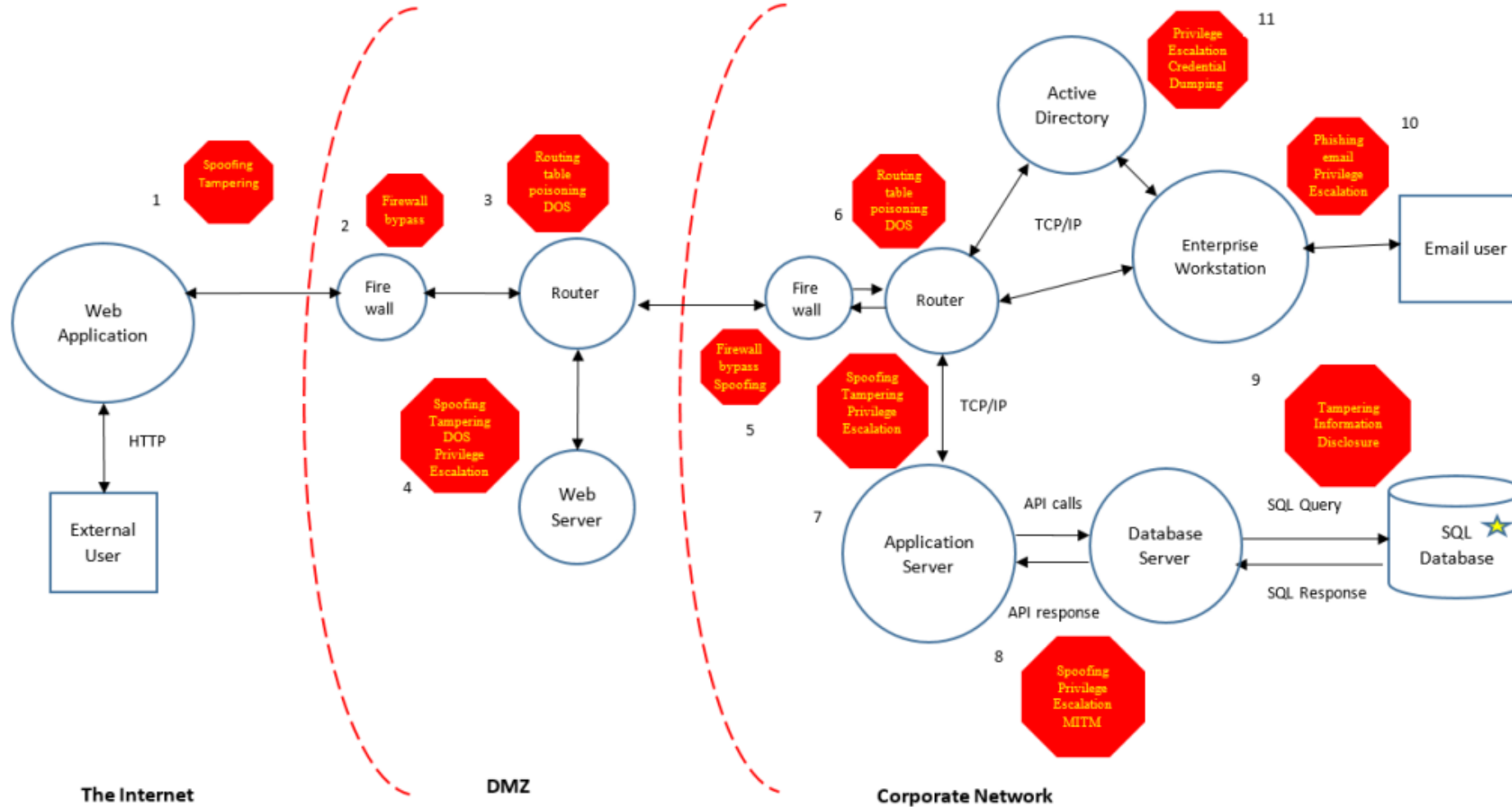
## Lockheed Martin Cyber Kill Chain



<https://attack.mitre.org/matrices/>



# Step 5: Bringing Everything Together



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## Overview of Secure Design

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## What is Secure Design ?

Secure design principles are essential for building secure systems. It is important to follow key principles to ensure the security of the system and protect sensitive data

## Why Secure Design is important?

1. Reduced risk of security breaches and vulnerabilities
2. Lower costs and faster time to market
3. Enhanced customer trust and satisfaction
4. Improved regulatory compliance
5. Stronger culture of security

# Security by design principles

**01.**  
**Principle of**  
**Minimizing**  
**Attack**  
**Surface Area**

**02. Principle**  
**of Least**  
**Privilege**

**03.**  
**Least**  
**Common**  
**Mechanism**

**04.**  
**Principle of**  
**Separation**  
**of Duties**

**05.**  
**Principle of**  
**Defense in**  
**Depth**

**06.**  
**Principle of**  
**Failing**  
**Securely**

**07.**  
**Principle of**  
**Open Design**

# 01. Principle of Minimizing Attack Surface Area

## What is Attack Surface Area ?

An attack surface is the entire area of an organization or system that is susceptible to hacking. It's made up of all the points of access that an unauthorized person could use to enter the system. Once inside your network, that user could cause damage by manipulating or downloading data.



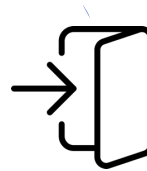
# 01. Principle of Minimizing Attack Surface Area

## Reduce Attack Surface in 5 Steps



No user should have access to your resources until they've proven their identity and the security of their device.

### 01 Zero Trust



Remove user access to organization network as soon as the person is no longer part of your organization.

### 02 Access protocols



Use attribute-based access control (ABAC) or role-based access control (RBAC) to ensure data can be accessed by the right people.

### 03 Authentication

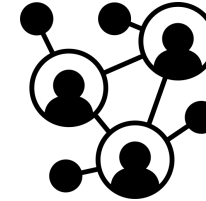
# 01. Principle of Minimizing Attack Surface Area

## Reduce Attack Surface in 5 Steps



Replicas of code and data are a common part of a typical company's attack surface. Use strict protection protocols to keep these backups safe from those who might harm you.

### 04 Backups



The more firewalls you build, the harder it will be for hackers to get into the core of your business with speed

### 05 Network Segment

## 02. Principle of Least Privilege

### What is Least Privilege ?

Least privilege is the concept and practice of restricting access rights for users, accounts, and computing processes to only those resources absolutely required to perform legitimate functions. Privilege itself refers to the authorization to bypass certain security restraints. When applied to people, the principle of least privilege (POLP), means enforcing the minimal level of user rights, or lowest clearance level, that allows the user to perform his/her role.

### What are Privileged Accounts ?



**Privileged  
Accounts**



**Superuser  
Accounts**



**Standard user  
Accounts**



## 02. Principle of Least Privilege

### What are the Benefits of Least Privilege ?

- 01 Enhanced Data Protection, System Integrity
- 02 Restricted Malware Spread
- 03 Decreases the Likelihood of Catastrophic Harm
- 04 Reduces Attack Surface, Third-Party Risks
- 05 Increases End-User Efficiency
- 06 Facilitates Compliance and Auditing, Provides Better Incident Response Planning
- 07 Streamlines Change and Configuration Management

### Best Practices for Least Privilege ?

Limit the number of privileged accounts

Use time-limited privileges

Adopt "least privilege as default

Examine logs regularly

Disable unneeded components

Apply relevant security concepts

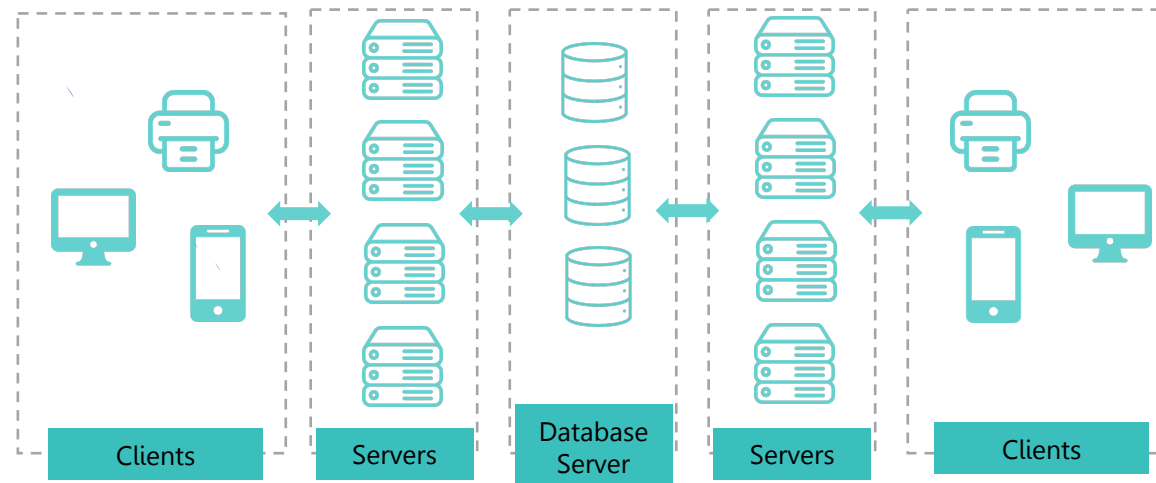
Reevaluate accounts and privileges often.

## 03. Least Common Mechanism

### What is Least Common Mechanism ?

Mechanisms used to access resources (e.g. Virtual memory or File systems) should not be shared.

This principle is also restrictive because it limits sharing of resources. Sharing resources provides a channel along which information can be transmitted. Hence, sharing should be minimized as much as possible. If the operating system provides support for virtual machines, the operating system will enforce this privilege automatically to some degree.



**The Client-Server Model**

## 04. Principle of Separation of Duties

### What is Separation of Duties ?

Principle of Separation of Duties is to prevent conflict of interest (real or apparent), wrongful acts, fraud, abuse and errors. This principle ensures that individuals don't have conflicting responsibilities, and helps detection of control failures like security breaches, information theft and circumvention of security controls.

### Access controls

**DAC**

**Discretionary Access Control**

Grant right subjects  
Ex. Read, Write, Execute

**MAC**

**Mandatory Access Control**

Specific permission, and  
the permission is up to  
owner

**RBAC**

**Role-based Access Control**

Assign based on role and  
job function

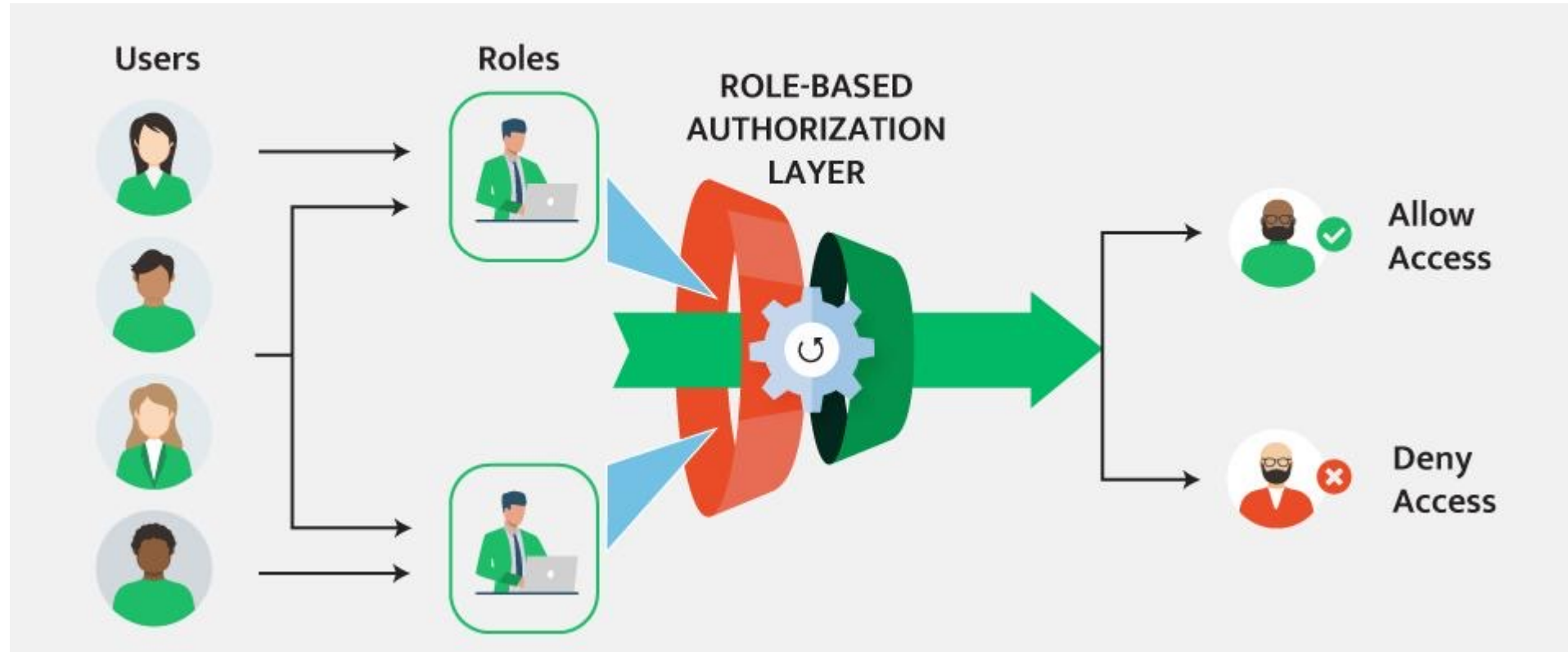
**ABAC**

**Attribute-based Access Control**

Require specific attributes  
(zero trust)

## 04. Principle of Separation of Duties

### Role-based Access controls



## 04. Principle of Separation of Duties

### Role-based Access controls - Matrix

Procedure/ Function	User group (role)	Hire employee	Change compensation	Change benefits	Create paycheck
Hire employee	1	√			
Change compensation	2		√	√	
Change benefits	3		√	√	
Create paycheck	4				√

**Conflict**

Procedure/ Function	User group (role)	Hire employee	Change compensation	Change benefits	Create paycheck
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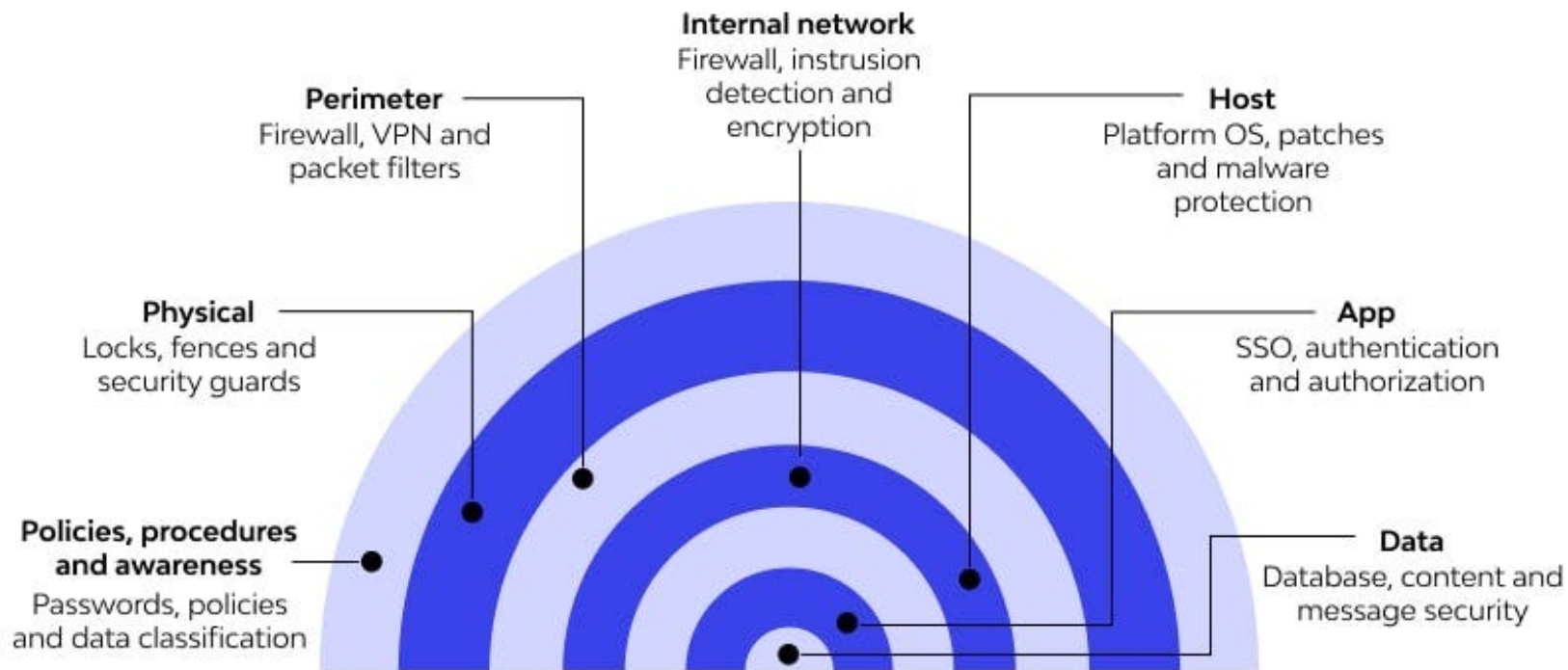
**No Conflict**



# 05. Principle of Defense in Depth

## What is Defense in Depth ?

Defense in Depth is a security strategy that prevents data breaches and slows down unauthenticated attempts to access data by deploying an intense environment with 7 layers of protection and validation. The principles that help define a security posture are confidentiality, integrity, and availability.



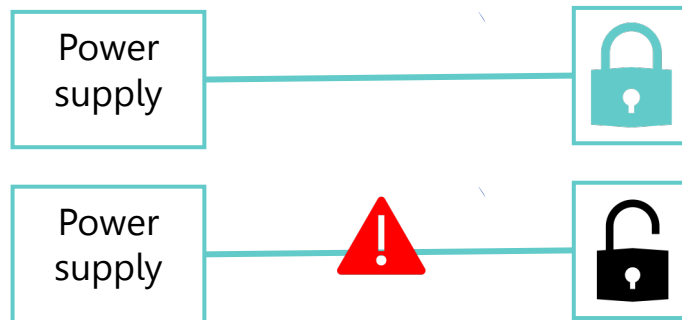
## 06. Principle of Failing Securely

### What is Failing Securely ?

A need to design systems that can fail without leaving systems open to attack. To do this, developers can base access decisions on permission rather than exclusion. The default situation **should block access** until the conditions of a preset protection scheme are met.

#### Fail Safe

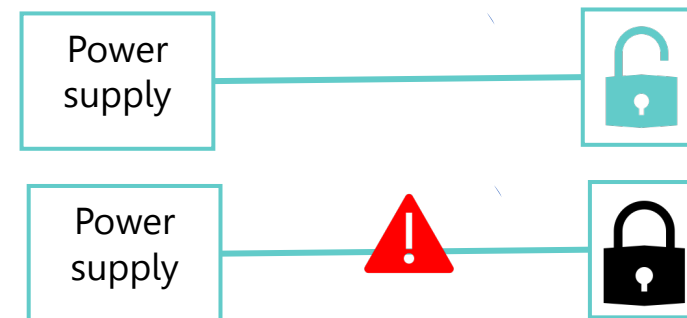
If power goes out, remain unlocked.



Stairwells, Hospitals, Fire Exits, etc.

#### Fail Secure

If power goes out, remain locked.



Banks, Inner-office, etc.

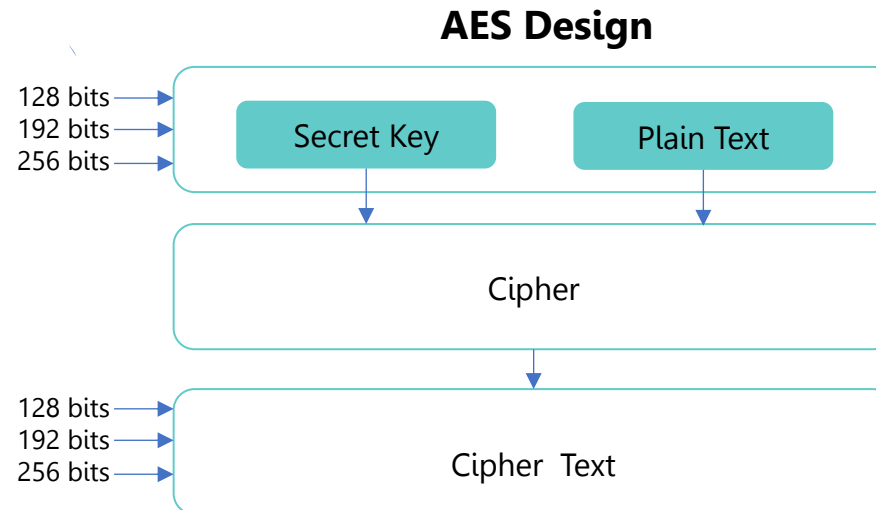
# 07. Principle of Open Design

## What is Open Design ?

The security of a mechanism should not depend on the secrecy of its design or implementation.

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- Secrecy != security
- Complexity != security
- Security through obscurity
- Cryptography and openness





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# Hardening Methodology

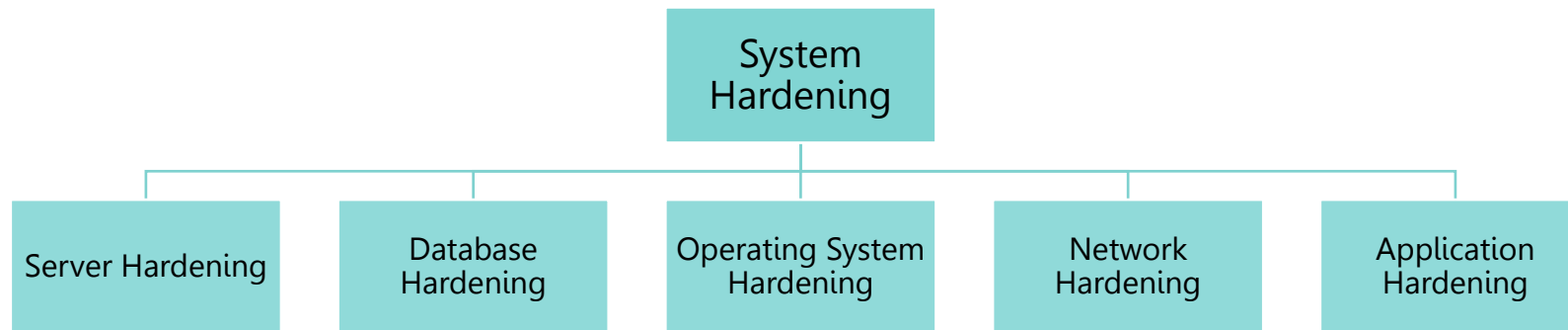
# Hardening Methodology

## What is Hardening ?

System hardening is the collection of steps and processes that increase a system's security by minimizing the exposed attack surface of the infrastructure. This process aims to improve reliability and security to ensure smooth business operations.

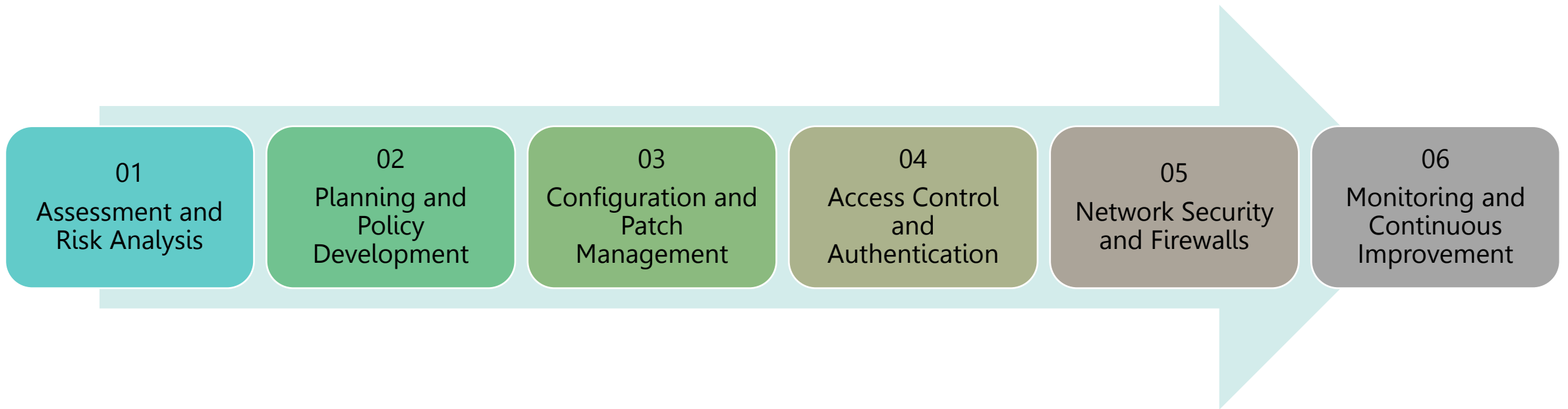
System hardening is a proactive strategy to reduce these risks by minimizing how hackers can access and attack the infrastructure components. In practical terms, system hardening strengthens and supplements other cybersecurity practices, resulting in several layers of defense consisting of firewalls, intrusion detection systems, and antivirus software.

## Types of System Hardening



# Hardening Methodology

## The System Hardening Process



# Hardening Methodology

## System Hardening Standards

The CIS Benchmarks are recommendations and recommended practices for securely setting up different operating systems, software, and network devices. These benchmarks were created by the Centre for Internet Security and are frequently updated by the community of cybersecurity experts.

### CIS Benchmarks

NIST Special Publication 800-53 offers a complete list of security measures and related US federal information systems guidelines. It covers various security measures, including system and communications protection, user and process identification and authentication, audit and accountability, and access control.

### NIST SP 800-53

DISA STIGs ((Defense Information Systems Agency Security Technical Implementation Guides) are security recommendations created by the Defense Information Systems Agency for protecting software and computer systems.

### DISA STIGs

# Hardening Methodology

## Benefits of Following System Hardening Standards

01

**Smaller Attack Surface**

System hardening standards focus on securing or disabling unused services, ports, and configurations. These steps directly reduce the possible points of entry/execution for cyber attacks

02

**Increased Security Posture**

System hardening techniques result in a measurable improvement in an organization's overall security posture. When applied properly, you can be sure that all systems are set up securely, and the infrastructure becomes resilient to possible attacks.

03

**Security from Known Vulnerabilities**

System hardening standards call for quick application of security upgrades and fixes. This lessens the chance of hackers exploiting known vulnerabilities in operating systems, applications, and devices.

04

**Regulation and Framework Compliance**

Numerous system hardening guidelines help increase compliance with industrial regulations and cybersecurity frameworks. This increased compliance with these standards helps organizations avoid legal issues stemming from regulatory violations.

05

**Protection Against Emerging Threats**

Organizations can better protect themselves against emerging cyber threats and attack vectors by updating their security standards. This significantly reduces the risk of emerging attack vectors using existing vulnerabilities to compromise your system.

# Key Takeaway – 03 Principles

## Key Takeaway for 03 Principles

### Threat Modeling

Threat modeling techniques help identify potential threats and prioritize security controls and countermeasures.



### Secure Design

Secure design principles emphasize integrating security into the design phase of software and systems development to mitigate vulnerabilities.



### Hardening

System hardening involves strengthening configurations and implementing security measures to minimize risks and protect against cyber threats effectively.



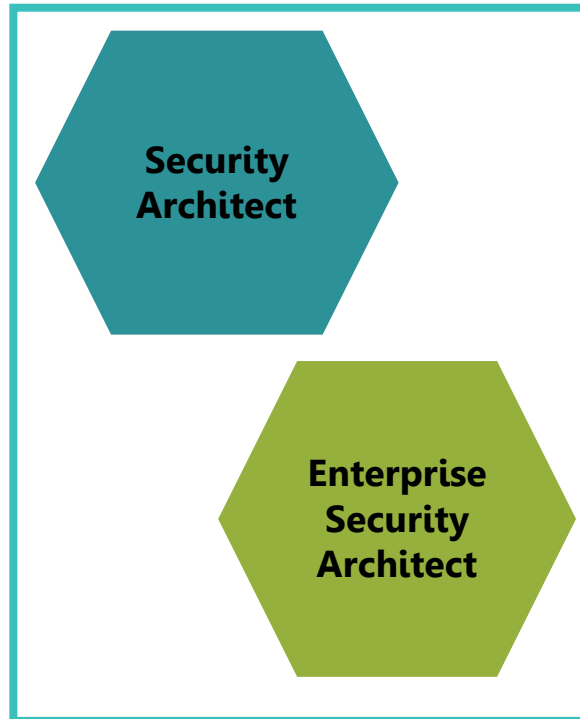
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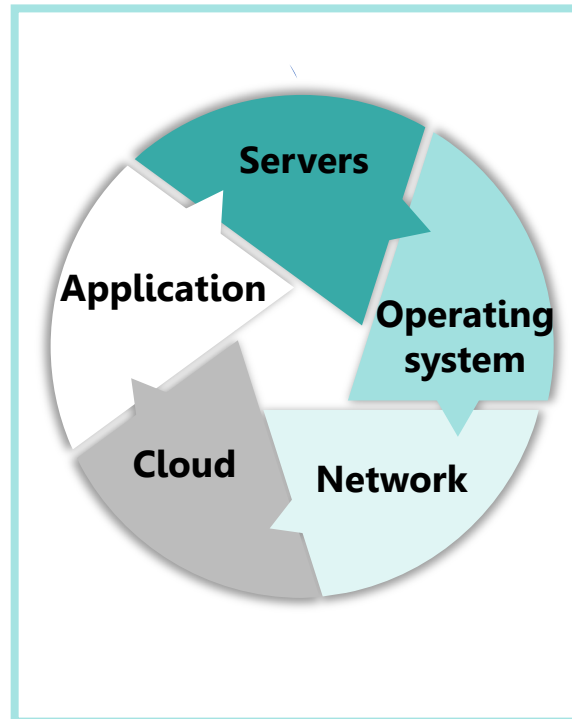
# Summary of Security Architect and Design

## Summary of this topic

### Security Architect



### System Architect



### Principles

