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RADIANT App Isolation Architecture

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Executive Summary

RADIANT consists of **four completely isolated applications**. Think Tank MUST NOT share any web server, authentication context, or direct resource access with Radiant Admin. Period.

Architecture Overview

RADIANT ADMIN (Platform)	THINK TANK ADMIN (Tenant Admin)	THINK TANK (Consumer)
Port: 3000	Port: 3001	Port: 3002
Domain: admin.*	Domain: manage.*	Domain: app.*
Auth: Cognito	Auth: API-only	Auth: API-only
Role: SuperAdmin	Role: TenantAdmin	Role: User

RADIANT API GATEWAY (API Gateway + Lambda Functions)

```
/api/admin/*      - Radiant Admin endpoints (SuperAdmin only)
/api/thinktank/* - Think Tank Admin endpoints (TenantAdmin)
/api/v2/*        - Think Tank Consumer endpoints (Users)
/api/auth/*      - Authentication endpoints (all apps)
```

RADIANT INFRASTRUCTURE (Aurora PostgreSQL, S3, SageMaker, etc.)

SWIFT DEPLOYER (macOS app - deploys infrastructure)
(Native macOS)

Four Applications

1. Radian Admin ([apps/radiant-admin/](#))

Purpose: Platform-level administration for RADIANT infrastructure.

Attribute	Value
Users	Platform SuperAdmins only
Authentication	Direct Cognito (Admin User Pool)
Domain	admin.{domain}
Port	3000

Attribute	Value
Access	Direct to Radiant resources (privileged)

Features: - Tenant management (create, suspend, delete) - Global model registry and pricing - Provider configuration (AWS Bedrock, OpenAI, etc.) - Infrastructure monitoring - Global billing and costs - Security alerts and compliance - Multi-region configuration - System-wide settings

What it does NOT contain: - Any Think Tank user features - Any Think Tank admin features - Conversation management - User rules management - Delight system configuration - Domain mode configuration

2. Think Tank Admin ([apps/thinktank-admin/](#))

Purpose: Tenant-level administration for Think Tank.

Attribute	Value
Users	Tenant Administrators ONLY (TenantAdmin, SuperAdmin roles)
Authentication	API-only (via /api/auth/admin/* endpoints)
Domain	manage.{tenant}.{domain}
Port	3001
Access	API-only - NO direct Radiant access

CRITICAL: Admin Role Validation

Think Tank Admin uses **admin-only authentication endpoints** that validate user roles:

```
POST /api/auth/admin/login    - Validates TenantAdmin or SuperAdmin role
POST /api/auth/admin/refresh - Re-validates admin role on every refresh
GET  /api/auth/admin/session - Validates admin role for session checks
```

Non-admin users (regular Users) CANNOT access Think Tank Admin. No exceptions.

- Server-side: Lambda validates role is in ['SuperAdmin', 'TenantAdmin', 'super_admin', 'tenant_admin', 'admin']
- Client-side: Double-validation in auth client (defense in depth)
- On 403 ADMIN_ACCESS_DENIED: Immediate redirect to login with clear error message

Features: - Think Tank user management (within tenant) - Conversation monitoring and moderation - User rules templates - Delight system configuration - Domain mode configuration - Model category preferences - Shadow testing configuration - Ego system configuration - Collaboration settings - Compliance within tenant - Tenant-level analytics

Security Rules: - All data access via Radiant API - Tenant isolation enforced by API - No direct database access - No direct S3 access - No Cognito SDK usage - Cannot access other tenants - Cannot modify platform settings

3. Think Tank Consumer (apps/thinktank/)

Purpose: End-user AI chat application.

Attribute	Value
Users	End users (consumers)
Authentication	API-only (via /api/auth/*)
Domain	app.{tenant}.{domain} or {tenant}.thinktank.ai
Port	3002
Access	API-only - NO direct Radiant access

Features: - AI chat interface - Conversation history - My Rules (personal preferences) - Brain plan visualization - Artifacts (generated content) - Collaboration (real-time sessions) - Domain selection - Model preferences - File uploads (via API) - Export/share conversations

Security Rules: - All data access via Radiant API - User can only access own data - Tenant isolation enforced by API - Rate limiting enforced by API - No direct database access - No direct S3 access - No Cognito SDK usage - No admin functionality

4. Swift Deployer (apps/swift-deployer/)

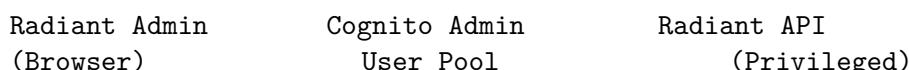
Purpose: macOS application for deploying RADIANT infrastructure.

Attribute	Value
Users	DevOps / Platform Engineers
Authentication	AWS credentials (local)
Platform	macOS 13.0+
Access	AWS APIs for deployment

No changes to this app.

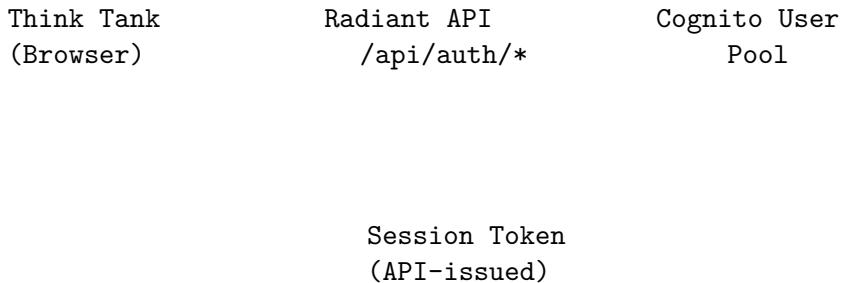
Authentication Architecture

Radiant Admin (Direct Cognito)



- Uses @aws-amplify/auth directly
- Admin User Pool (separate from Think Tank users)
- Returns Cognito tokens
- API validates Cognito JWT directly

Think Tank Apps (API-Only Auth)



- NO Cognito SDK in browser
 - All auth via /api/auth/* endpoints:
 - POST /api/auth/login - Email/password login
 - POST /api/auth/register - User registration
 - POST /api/auth/refresh - Refresh session
 - POST /api/auth/logout - End session
 - POST /api/auth/forgot-password - Password reset
 - POST /api/auth/verify-email - Email verification
 - API returns opaque session tokens (not Cognito tokens)
 - Sessions stored server-side (Redis/DynamoDB)
 - Tokens are httpOnly cookies or short-lived JWTs

Directory Structure

```
apps/
  radiant-admin/          # Platform administration
    app/
      (dashboard)/        # Admin pages
        tenants/
        models/
        providers/
        billing/
        security/
        compliance/
        orchestration/
        consciousness/
        brain/
        cato/
        ...
      api/                 # BFF routes (proxy to Lambda)
    lib/
      auth/                # Cognito auth (direct)
      api/                # API client
    components/
```

```

thinktank-admin/          # Think Tank tenant administration
  app/
    (dashboard)/
      users/
      conversations/
      rules/
      delight/
      domain-modes/
      model-categories/
      shadow-testing/
      ego/
      collaborate/
      compliance/
      settings/
      analytics/
    api/                  # BFF routes (proxy to Lambda)
  lib/
    auth/                # API-only auth
    api/                # API client
  components/

thinktank/               # Think Tank consumer app
  app/
    (chat)/              # Main chat interface
    (settings)/          # User settings
      my-rules/
      preferences/
      profile/
    collaborate/          # Collaboration sessions
    artifacts/             # Generated artifacts
    api/                  # BFF routes (proxy to Lambda)
  lib/
    auth/                # API-only auth
    api/                # API client
  components/

swift-deployer/          # macOS deployer (unchanged)

```

API Endpoint Segregation

Platform Admin Endpoints (/api/admin/*)

Only accessible by Radiant Admin with SuperAdmin role:

```
/api/admin/tenants/*
/api/admin/models/*
```

```
/api/admin/providers/*  
/api/admin/billing/*  
/api/admin/security/*  
/api/admin/compliance/*  
/api/admin/orchestration/*  
/api/admin/consciousness/*  
/api/admin/brain/*  
/api/admin/cato/*  
/api/admin/infrastructure/*  
/api/admin/multi-region/*
```

Think Tank Admin Endpoints (`/api/thinktank/*`)

Accessible by Think Tank Admin with TenantAdmin role:

```
/api/thinktank/users/*  
/api/thinktank/conversations/*  
/api/thinktank/rules/*  
/api/thinktank/delight/*  
/api/thinktank/domain-modes/*  
/api/thinktank/model-categories/*  
/api/thinktank/shadow-testing/*  
/api/thinktank/ego/*  
/api/thinktank/collaborate/*  
/api/thinktank/compliance/*  
/api/thinktank/settings/*  
/api/thinktank/analytics/*
```

Think Tank Consumer Endpoints (`/api/v2/*`)

Accessible by Think Tank users:

```
/api/v2/chat/*  
/api/v2/conversations/*  
/api/v2/my-rules/*  
/api/v2/preferences/*  
/api/v2/brain-plan/*  
/api/v2/artifacts/*  
/api/v2/collaborate/*  
/api/v2/domain-taxonomy/*  
/api/v2/models/*  
/api/v2/upload/*  
/api/v2/export/*
```

Auth Endpoints (`/api/auth/*`)

Used by Think Tank apps (not Radiant Admin):

```
POST /api/auth/login  
POST /api/auth/register
```

```
POST /api/auth/refresh  
POST /api/auth/logout  
POST /api/auth/forgot-password  
POST /api/auth/verify-email  
POST /api/auth/change-password  
GET /api/auth/session
```

Security Invariants

MUST NEVER

1. Think Tank apps MUST NEVER:

- Import `@aws-amplify/auth` or any Cognito SDK
- Access AWS resources directly (S3, DynamoDB, etc.)
- Have database connection strings
- Have AWS credentials
- Access Radiant Admin endpoints
- Share cookies/sessions with Radiant Admin

2. Radiant Admin MUST NEVER:

- Serve Think Tank consumer pages
- Serve Think Tank admin pages
- Share authentication with Think Tank

MUST ALWAYS

1. Think Tank apps MUST ALWAYS:

- Authenticate via `/api/auth/*` endpoints only
- Access data via Radiant API only
- Include tenant ID in all requests
- Handle API errors gracefully

2. API MUST ALWAYS:

- Validate session tokens server-side
- Enforce tenant isolation
- Rate limit requests
- Log all access attempts

Deployment

Separate Domains

App	Production Domain	Staging Domain
Radiant Admin	<code>admin.radiant.ai</code>	<code>admin.staging.radiant.ai</code>
Think Tank Admin	<code>manage.{tenant}.radiant.ai</code>	<code>manage.{tenant}.staging.radiant.ai</code>
Think Tank	<code>{tenant}.thinktank.ai</code>	<code>{tenant}.staging.thinktank.ai</code>

App	Production Domain	Staging Domain
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CDK Stacks

```
// Separate CloudFront distributions
new RadiantAdminStack(app, 'RadiantAdmin', { ... });
new ThinkTankAdminStack(app, 'ThinkTankAdmin', { ... });
new ThinkTankConsumerStack(app, 'ThinkTankConsumer', { ... });
```

Migration Plan

Phase 1: Create New Apps

1. Create `apps/thinktank-admin/` with API-only auth
2. Create proper `apps/thinktank/` consumer app
3. Implement `/api/auth/*` Lambda endpoints

Phase 2: Migrate Features

1. Move Think Tank admin pages to `thinktank-admin/`
2. Move Think Tank consumer features to `thinktank/`
3. Update all API calls to use proper endpoints

Phase 3: Clean Radiant Admin

1. Remove all Think Tank code from `admin-dashboard/`
2. Rename `admin-dashboard/` to `radiant-admin/`
3. Update sidebar and navigation

Phase 4: Deploy & Verify

1. Deploy all three apps to separate domains
 2. Verify authentication isolation
 3. Verify API access controls
 4. Security audit
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Compliance

This architecture is REQUIRED for: - **SOC 2 Type II:** Separation of duties - **HIPAA:** Access controls and audit trails - **GDPR:** Data isolation and consent management - **PCI DSS:** Network segmentation (if processing payments)

Document History

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2026-01-18	1.0.0	Initial architecture document