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## Identity and Access Management

- Identity and Access Management (IAM) service enables you to control what type of access a group of users have and to which specific resources
- Resource is a cloud object that you create and use in OCI (e.g. compute instances, block storage volumes, Virtual Cloud Networks)
- Each OCI resource has a unique, Oracle-assigned identifier called an Oracle Cloud ID (OCID)
- IAM uses traditional identity concepts such as Principals, Users, Groups, AuthN, AuthZ and introduces a new capability called Compartment



# Principals, AuthN, AuthZ





### Principals

- A principal is an IAM entity that is allowed to interact with OCI resources
- Principals IAM users and Instance Principals

### IAM Users and Groups

- Users are persistent identities setup through IAM service to represent individual people or applications
- When customers sign-up for an OCI account, the first IAM user is the default administrator
- Default administrator sets up other IAM users and groups
- Users enforce security principle of least privilege
  - 1. User has no permissions until placed in one (or more) groups and
  - 2. Group having at <u>least one policy with permission</u> to tenancy or a compartment
- A Group is a collection of users who all need the same type of access to a particular set of resources
- Same user can be member of multiple groups

### Instance Principals

 Instance Principals lets instances (and applications) to make API calls against other OCI services removing the need to configure user credentials or a configuration file

### Authentication

IAM service authenticates a Principal by –

### User name, Password

- You use the password to sign in to the web console
- An administrator will provide you with a one-time password when setting up your account
- At your first log in, you are prompted to reset the password

### API Signing Key

- Required when using the OCI API in conjunction with the SDK/CLI
- Key is an RSA key pair in the PEM format (min 2048 bits)
- In OCI Console, copy and paste the contents of the PEM public key file. Use the private key with the SDK or with your own client to sign your API requests

### Auth Tokens

- Oracle-generated token strings to authenticate with 3<sup>rd</sup> party APIs that do no support OCI signature-based authentication (e.g. ADW)
- Auth tokens do not expire

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Add Public Keys must be in the PEM format.

PUBLIC KEY

----BEGIN RSA PUBLIC KEY----
MIIBCgKCAQEAXTVSd/JIrZiz/w97HfWm3q+xnvdxDXTvG6oPW4f4D60d4q8YVUqy
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jEvn/jEQqcinf0dsfUGaeWRb1L9G4ESuxQIDAQAB
-----END RSA PUBLIC KEY-----
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begin
DBMS_CLOUD.create_credential (
    credential_name => 'OBJ_STORE_CRED',
    username => '<userXX>',
    password => '<your Auth Token>'
   );
end;
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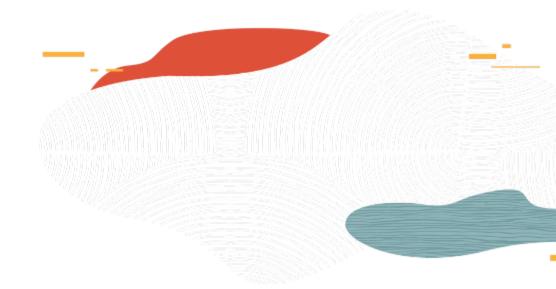


### Authorization

- Authorization specifies various actions an authenticated Principal can perform
- OCI Authorization define specific privileges in policies and associating them with principals
- Supports security principle of least privilege; by default, users are not allowed to perform any actions (policies cannot be attached to users, but only groups)
- Policies are comprised of one or more statements which specify what groups can access what resources and at what level of access
- Policies are written in human-readable format:
  - Allow group <group\_name> to <verb> <resource-type> in tenancy
  - Allow group <group\_name> to <verb> <resource-type> in compartment <compartment\_name> [where <conditions>]
- Policy Attachment: Policies can be attached to a compartment or the tenancy. Where you attach it controls who can then modify it or delete it



# **IAM Policies**





# Policy Syntax

Allow <subject> to <verb> <resource-type> in <location> where <conditions>

Verb	Type of access
inspect	Ability to list resources
read	Includes inspect + ability to get user-specified metadata/actual resource
use	Includes read + ability to work with existing resources (the actions vary by resource type)*
manage	Includes all permissions for the resource

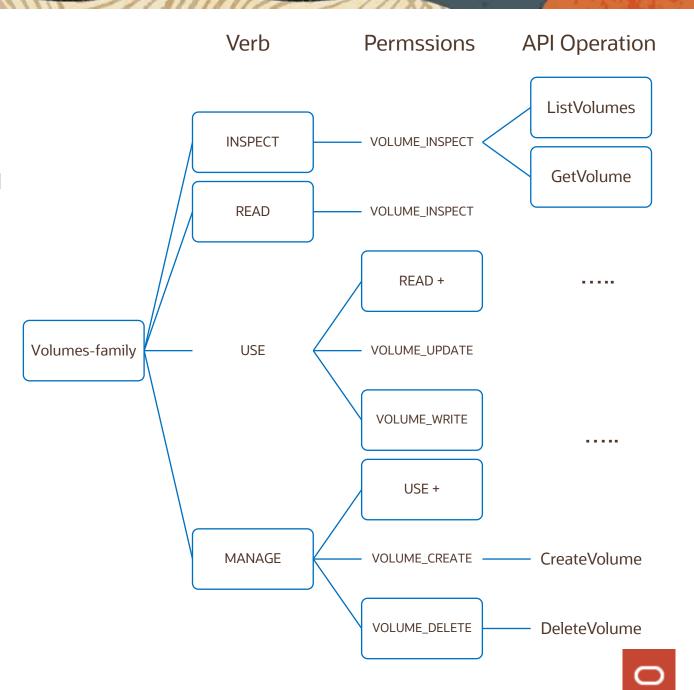
<sup>\*</sup> In general, this verb does not include the ability to create or delete that type of resource

Aggregate resource-type	Individual resource type
all-resources	
database-family	db-systems, db-nodes, db-homes, databases
instance-family	instances, instance-images, volume-attachments, console-histories
object-family	buckets, objects
virtual-network- family	vcn, subnet, route-tables, security-lists, dhcp-options, and many more resources ( <u>link</u> )
volume-family	volumes, volume-attachments, volume-backups
Cluster-family	clusters, cluster-node-pool, cluster-work-requests
File-family	file-systems, mount-targets, export-sets
dns	dns-zones, dns-records, dns-traffic,

The IAM Service has no family resource-type, only individual ones

### Verbs & Permissions

- When you write a policy giving a group access to a particular verb and resource-type, you're actually giving that group access to one or more predefined permissions
- Permissions are the atomic units of authorization that control a user's ability to perform operations on resources
- As you go from inspect > read > use > manage, the level of access generally increases, and the permissions granted are cumulative
- Each API operation requires the caller to have access to one or more permissions. E.g., to use ListVolumes or GetVolume, you must have access to a single permission: VOLUME\_INSPECT

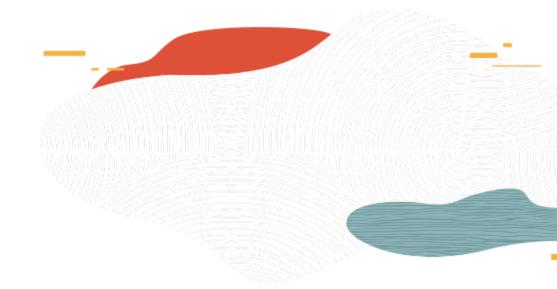


### **Common Policies**

- 1. Network Admins manage a cloud network
  - Allow group NetworkAdmins to manage virtual-network-family in tenancy
- 2. Users launch compute instances
  - Allow group InstanceLaunchers to manage instance-family in compartment ABC
    - Allow group InstanceLaunchers to read app-catalog-listing in tenancy
    - Allow group InstanceLaunchers to use volume-family in compartment ABC
    - Allow group InstanceLaunchers to use virtual-network-family in compartment XYZ



# Advanced IAM Policies



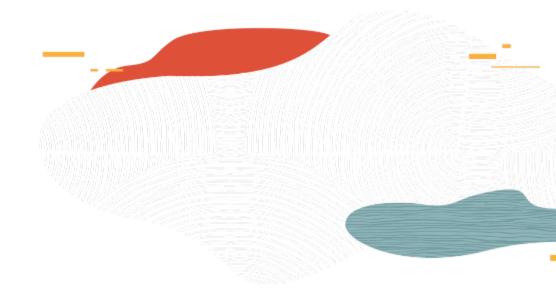


### Advanced Policy Syntax

- As part of a policy statement, you can specify one or more conditions that must be met to get access
   Allow <subject> to <verb> <resource-type> in <location> where <conditions>
- You use variables when adding conditions to a policy; 2 types
  - request relevant to the request itself
  - target relevant to the resource(s) being acted upon in the request)
  - E.g. variable request.operation represents the API operation being requested (e.g. ListUsers); target.group.name represents the name of the group
- variable name is prefixed accordingly with either request or target followed by a period
- Examples:
  - Allow group Phoenix-Admins to manage all-resources in tenancy where request.region='phx'



# Compartments



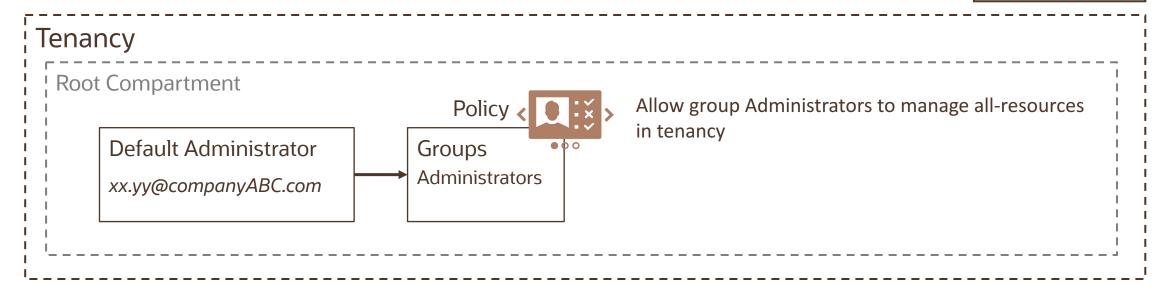


### Compartment

- A compartment is a collection of related resources (VCN, instances,..) that can be accessed only by groups that have been given permission (by an administrator in your organization)
- Compartments help you organize and control access to your resources
- Design considerations:
  - Each resource belongs to a single compartment but resources can be connected/shared across compartments (VCN and its subnets can live in different compartments)
  - A compartment can be deleted after creation or renamed
  - A compartment can have sub compartments that can be up to six levels deep
  - Most resources can be moved to a different compartment after they are created (some restrictions apply)
  - After creating a compartment, you need to write at least one policy for it, otherwise it cannot be accessed (except by administrators or users who have permission to the tenancy)
  - Sub compartment inherits access permissions from compartments higher up its hierarchy
  - When you create a policy, you need to specify which compartment to attach it to

# When you sign up for OCI

**Service Limits** 



- Oracle sets up a default administrator for the account
- Default Group Administrators
  - Cannot be deleted and there must always be at least one user in it
  - Any other users placed in the Administrators group will have full access to all of resources
  - Tenancy Policy gives Administrators group access to all resources this policy can't be deleted/changed
- Root Compartment can hold all the cloud resources
- Best practice is to create dedicated Compartments when you need to isolate resources



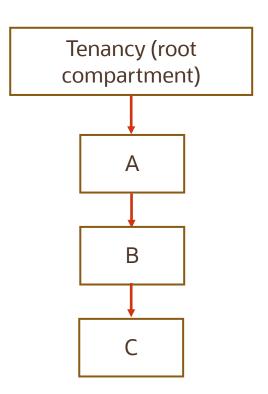


# Policy Inheritance and Attachment for Compartments



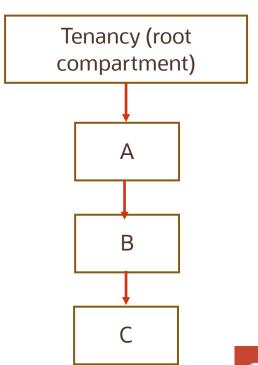
# Policy Inheritance

- Concept of inheritance: Compartments inherit any policies from their parent compartment
  - E.g. OCI has a built-in policy for Administrators, Allow group Administrators to manage allresources in tenancy
  - Due to Policy Inheritance, the Administrators group can also do anything in any of the compartments in the tenancy
- Three levels of compartments: A, B, and C
  - Policies that apply to resources in Compartment A also apply to resources in Compartments B and C
  - Allow group NewtworkAdmins to manage virtualnetwork-family in compartment A allows the group NetworkAdmins to manage VCNs in Compartment A, B, and C



## Policy Attachment

- Concept of attachment: when you create a policy you must attach it to a compartment (or tenancy). Where you attach it controls who can then modify it or delete it
  - Attach it to tenancy (root compartment), then anyone with access to manage policies in the tenancy can then change or delete it.
  - Attach to a child compartment, then anyone with access to manage the policies in that compartment (e.g. compartment admins) can change or delete it
- You want to create a policy to allow NetworkAdmins to manage VCNs in Compartment C. Attach to
  - C or B Allow group NewtworkAdmins to manage virtual-network-family in compartment C
  - A Allow group NewtworkAdmins to manage virtual-network-family in compartment B:C
    - Only Compartment A admins can modify it
    - NetworkAdmins can still only manage VCNs in CompartmentC
  - Tenancy Allow group NewtworkAdmins to manage virtual-network-family in compartment A:B:C





# **Moving Compartments**

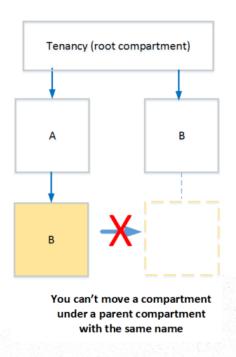


# Moving a Compartment to a different Parent Compartment

• You can move a compartment to a different parent compartment within the same tenancy. When you move a compartment, all its contents (sub compartments and resources) are moved with it.

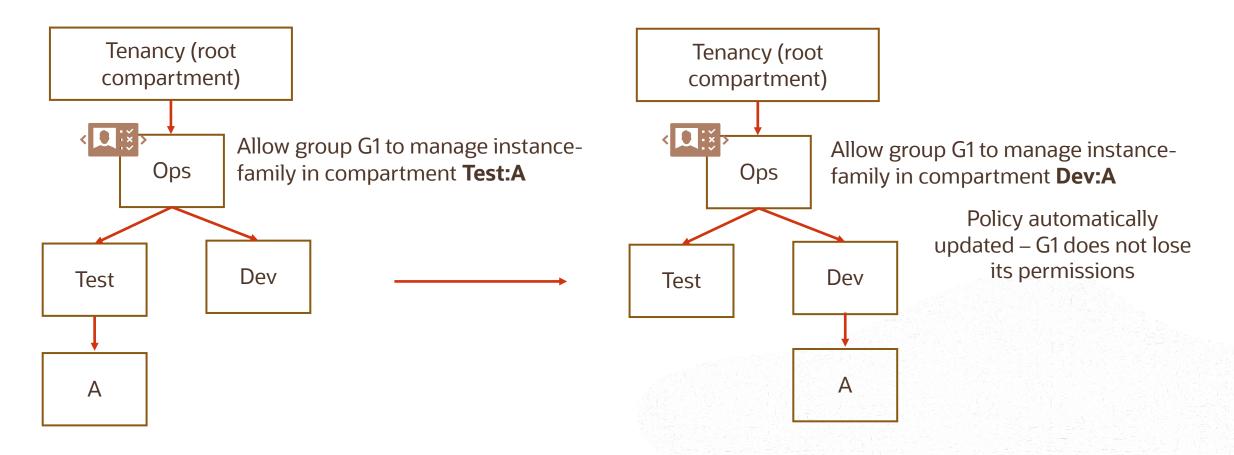
### Restrictions:

- You can't move a compartment to a destination compartment with the same name as the compartment being moved
- Two compartments within the same parent cannot have the same name. Therefore you can't move a compartment to a destination compartment where a compartment with the same name already exists



# Policy Implications when moving compartments

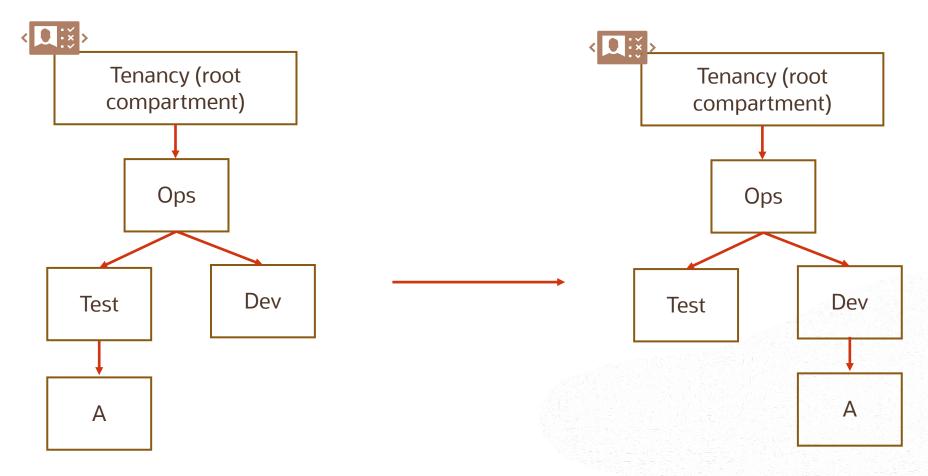
Policies that specify the **compartment hierarchy down to the compartment being moved** will automatically be updated when the policy is attached **to a shared ancestor of the current and target parent** 



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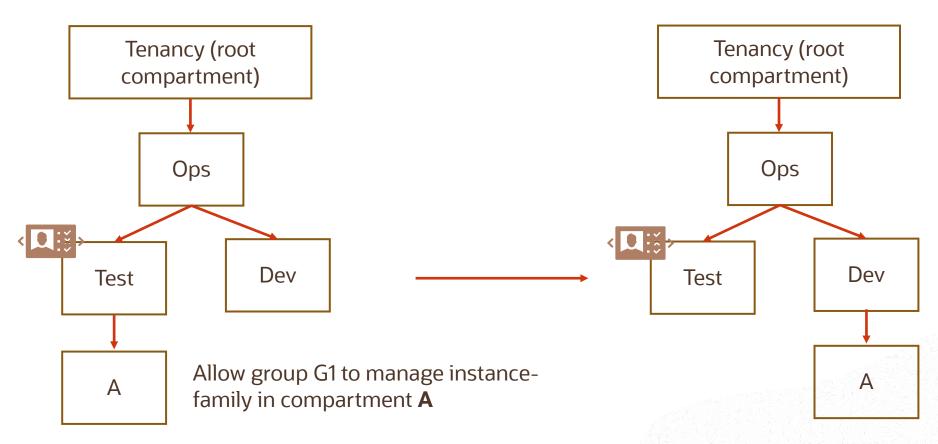
Allow group G1 to manage instance-family in compartment **Ops:Test** Allow group G2 to manage instance-family in compartment **Ops:Dev** 

G1 can no longer manage instances in compartment A G2 can now manage instances in compartment A



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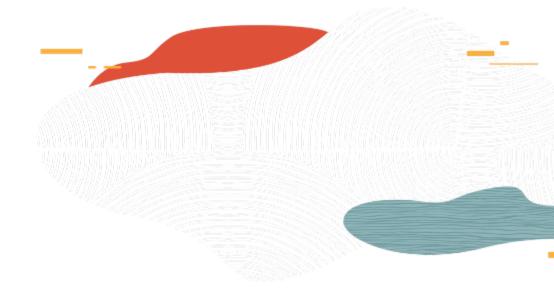
Policy attached directly to a compartment moved is not automatically updated



The policy is not automatically updated and is invalid



# Tags



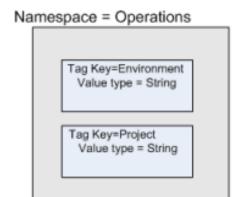


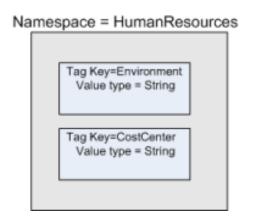
### **Tagging**

- Free-form Tags basic implementation
  - Consist simply of a key and a value



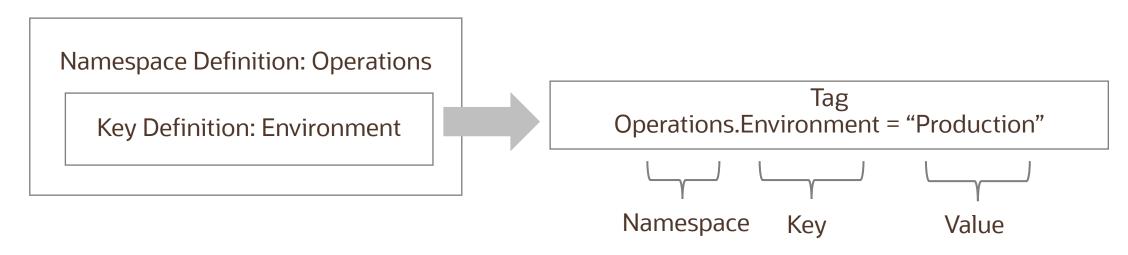
- Defined Tags more features and control
  - Are contained in tag Namespaces
  - Defined schema, secured with Policy





### Tag Namespace

- A Tag Namespace is a container for set of tag keys with tag key definitions
- Tag key definition specifies its key (environment) and what types of values are allowed (string, number, text, date, enumerations, etc.)

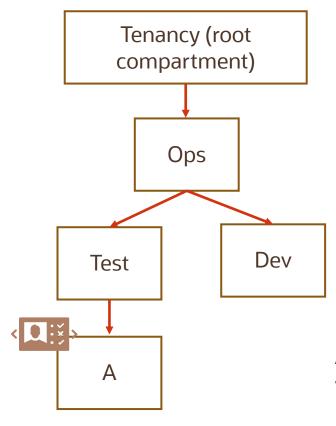


- Tag key definition or a tag namespace cannot be deleted, but retired. Retired tag namespaces and key
  definitions can no longer be applied to resources
- You can reactivate a tag namespace or tag key definition that has been retired to reinstate its usage in your tenancy

## Working with defined tags

- Consist of a tag namespace, a key, and a value
- Tag namespace and tag key definition must be set up in your tenancy before users can apply them
- A tag key can have either a tag value type of string or a list of values (from which the user must choose)
- You can use a variable to set the value of a tag. When you add the tag to a resource, the variable resolves to the data it represent. E.g.
  - Operations.CostCenter = \${iam.principal.name} at \${oci.datetime}
  - Operations is the namespace, CostCenter is the tag key, and the tag value contains two tag variables \$\{iam.principal.name\} and \$\{oci.datetime\}
  - When you add this tag to a resource, the variable resolves to your user name (the name of the principal that applied the tag) and a time date stamp for when you added the tag

### Defined tags work with Policies



Allow group InstanceLaunchers to manage instance-family in compartment A

Allow group InstanceLaunchers to use volume-family in compartment A

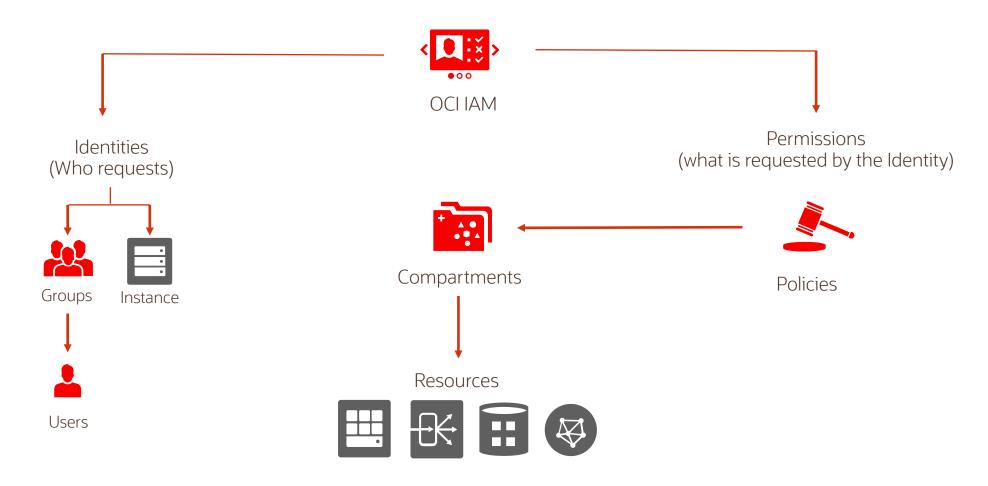
Allow group InstanceLaunchers to use virtual-network-family in compartment A

Allow group InstanceLaunchers to use tag-namespaces in compartment A where target.tag-namespace.name='Operations'

Users in the InstanceLaunchers group can now apply the Operations.CostCenter tag to resources in Compartment A

# Summary

Identity and Access Management (IAM) service enables you to control what type of access a group of users have and to which specific resources



### Summary

- IAM Principals IAM users and Instance Principals
- Authentication username/password, API Signing keys, Auth Tokens
- Authorization Policies and associating them with Principals
- Policies syntax and examples of advanced policies
- Compartment, a unique OCI feature, can be used to organize and isolate related cloud resources
- Concept of Policy Inheritance and Attachment for compartments
- OCI supports both free form tags and defined tags with a schema and secured by policies

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