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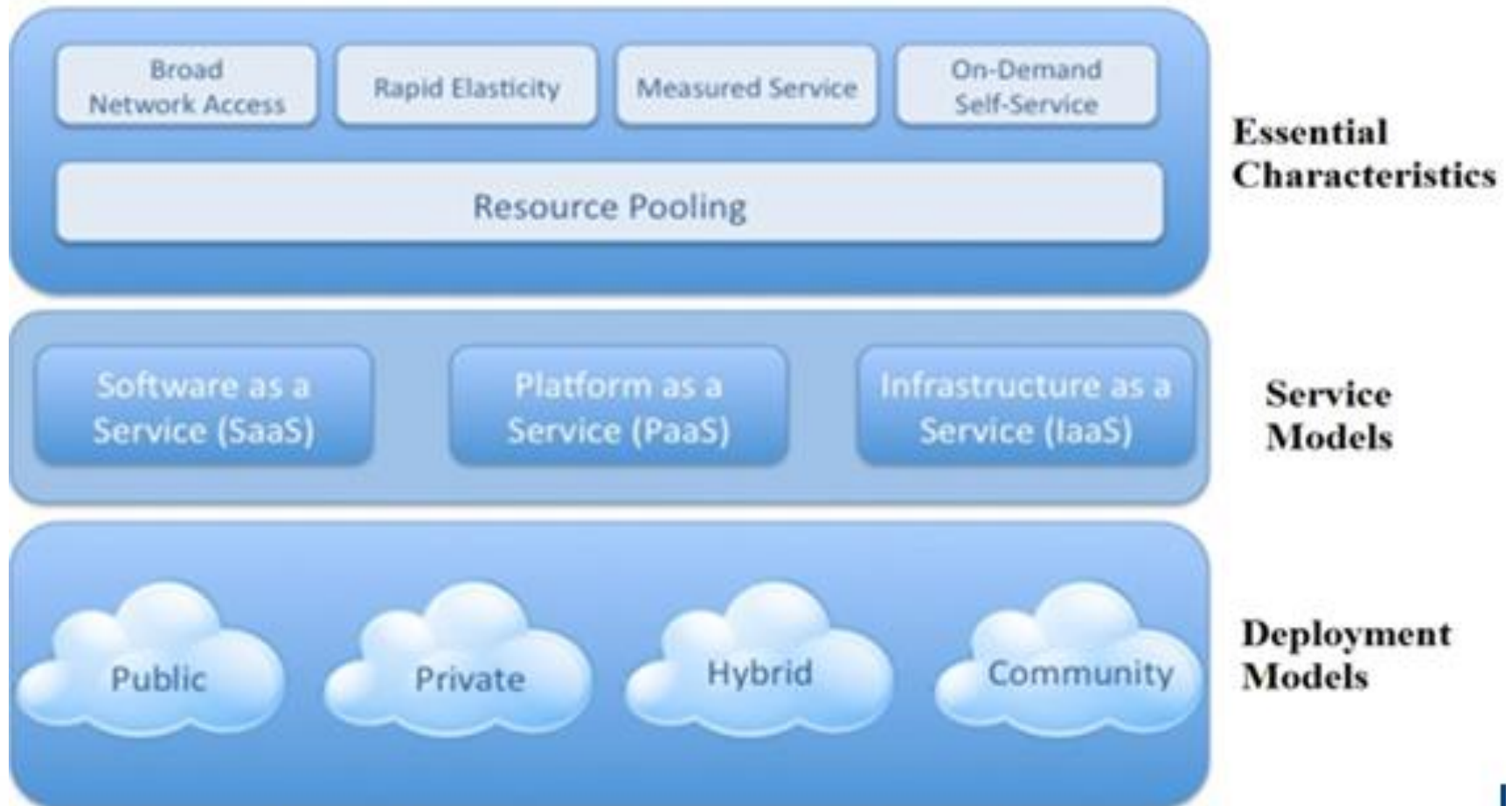
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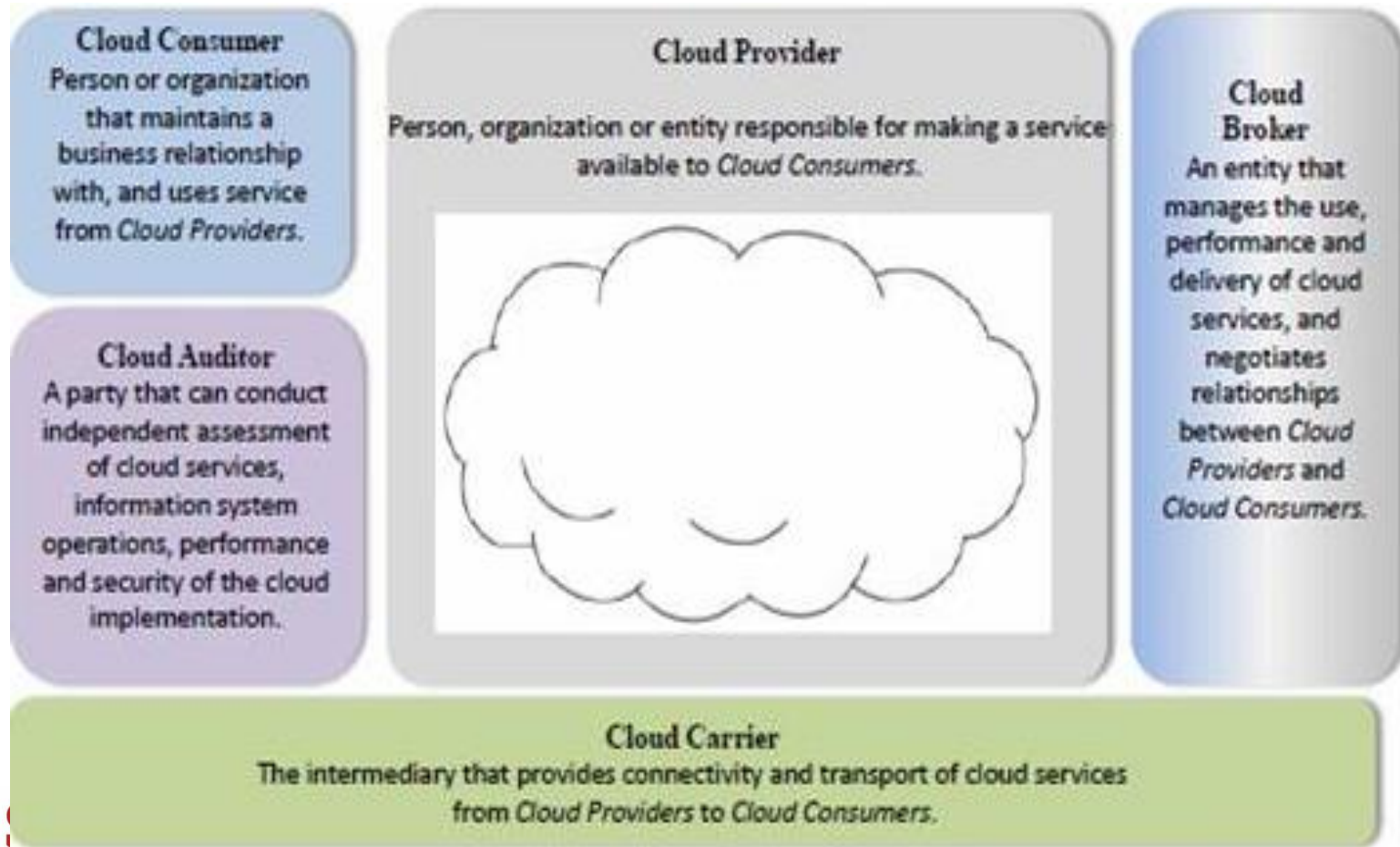
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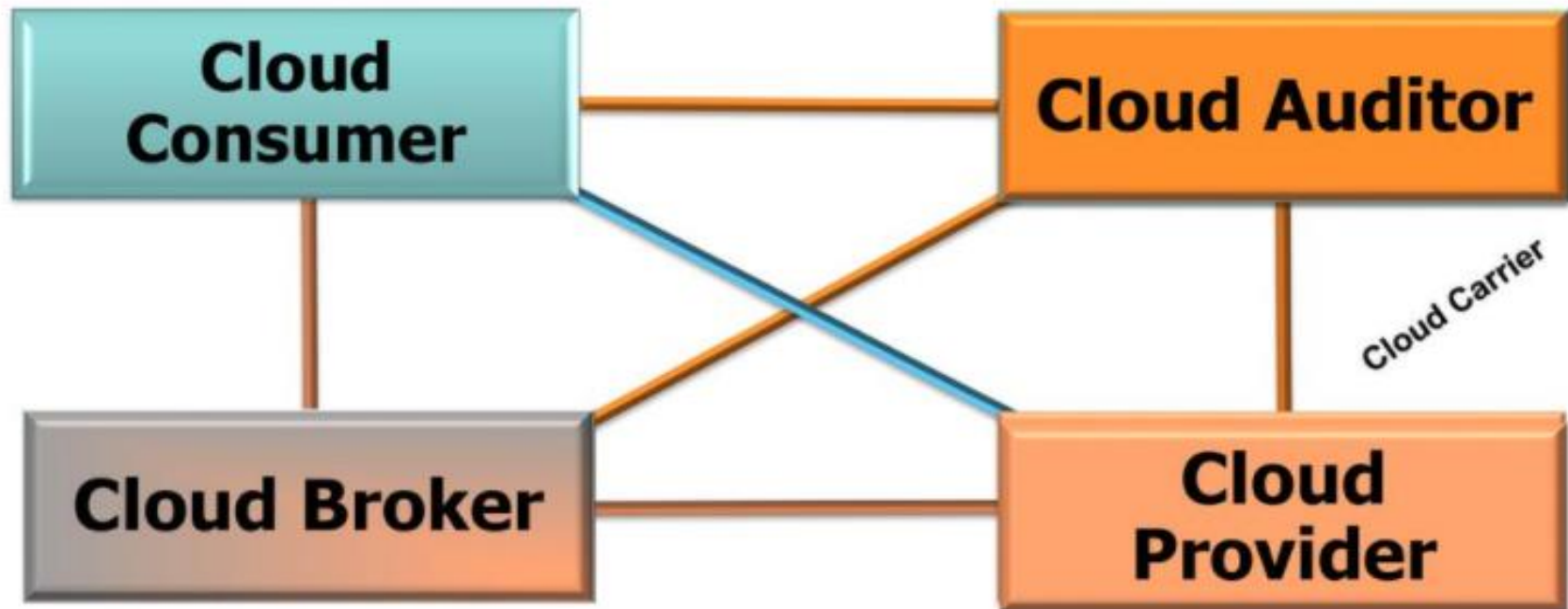
NIST Cloud Computing Model

NIST Visual Model of Cloud Computing Definition

NIST Cloud Computing Actors

Cloud Consumer
Person or organization that maintains a business relationship with, and uses service from *Cloud Providers*.

Cloud Auditor
A party that can conduct independent assessment of cloud services, information system operations, performance and security of the cloud implementation.

Cloud Provider
Person, organization or entity responsible for making a service available to *Cloud Consumers*.

Cloud Broker
An entity that manages the use, performance and delivery of cloud services, and negotiates relationships between *Cloud Providers* and *Cloud Consumers*.

Cloud Carrier
The intermediary that provides connectivity and transport of cloud services from *Cloud Providers* to *Cloud Consumers*.

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Cloud Consumer	Cloud Auditor
Cloud Broker	Cloud Provider

Cloud Carrier

The communication path between a cloud provider & a cloud consumer
The communication paths for a cloud auditor to collect auditing information
The communication paths for a cloud broker to provide service to a cloud consumer

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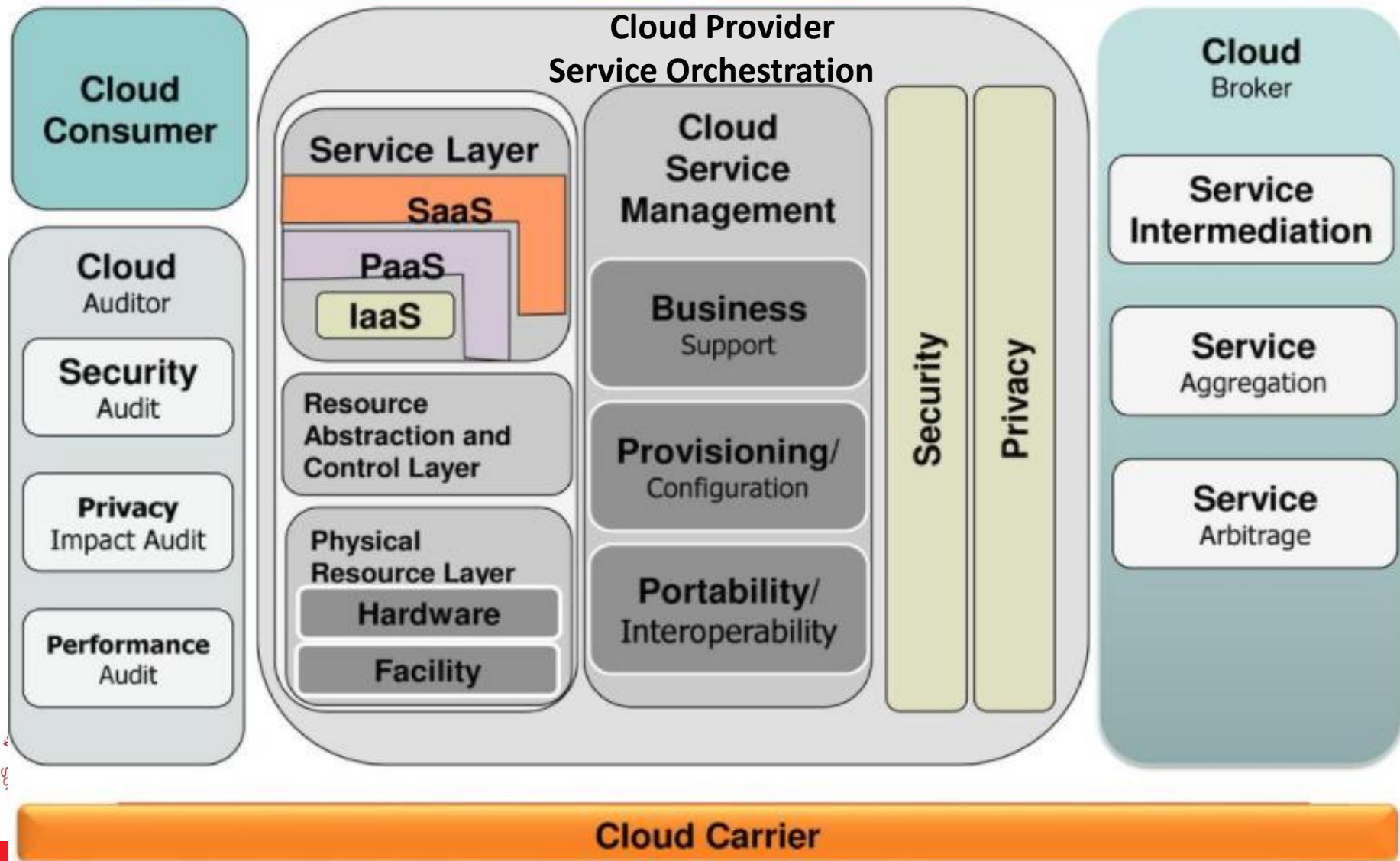
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