

## CLOUD COMPUTING

1) What is cloud computing?

**ANSWER:**

IT services are used via internet is known as cloud computing.

2) Describe cloud computing deployment models

**ANSWER:**

- Private cloud computing
- Public cloud computing
- Hybrid cloud computing

3) What are component of cloud computing

**ANSWER:**

**1. Service Models (Cloud Services)**

These define what type of service the cloud offers:

- **IaaS (Infrastructure as a Service):** Provides virtualized hardware resources (e.g., servers, storage, networking). Example: AWS EC2, Google Compute Engine.
- **PaaS (Platform as a Service):** Provides a platform for developing, running, and managing applications. Example: Google App Engine, Heroku.
- **SaaS (Software as a Service):** Delivers software applications over the internet. Example: Gmail, Microsoft 365, Dropbox.

**2. Deployment Models (How it's Delivered)**

- **Public Cloud:** Services provided over the internet to multiple customers (e.g., AWS, Azure).
- **Private Cloud:** Used by a single organization, offering more control and security.
- **Hybrid Cloud:** Combines both public and private cloud features.
- **Community Cloud:** Shared between organizations with similar requirements.

**3. Infrastructure Components**

These are the core building blocks of any cloud system:

- **Compute Power:** Virtual machines, containers, or serverless compute.
- **Storage:** Object storage, block storage, file storage.
- **Networking:** Virtual networks, firewalls, load balancers.
- **Virtualization:** Hypervisors (e.g., KVM, VMware) that abstract hardware.
- **Management & Monitoring Tools:** Dashboards, analytics, usage tracking.
- **Security:** Firewalls, identity & access management (IAM), encryption.

4) Advantage and disadvantage of cloud computing.

**ANSWER:**

**Advantages**

- **Cost Efficiency:** Reduces capital expenditure on hardware and maintenance.
- **Scalability:** Easily scale resources up or down as needed.
- **Accessibility:** Access data and applications from anywhere with internet.
- **Disaster Recovery:** Provides backup and recovery solutions.
- **Automatic Updates:** Cloud providers handle software and hardware updates.
- **Collaboration:** Enhances team collaboration through shared resources.

#### **Disadvantages**

- **Internet Dependency:** Requires a stable internet connection.
- **Security Concerns:** Data stored in the cloud can be vulnerable to breaches.
- **Limited Control:** Less control over infrastructure and data management.
- **Downtime:** Possible outages or downtime from cloud providers.
- **Ongoing Costs:** Continuous payment for services may be expensive over time.
- **Vendor Lock-In:** Difficult to switch providers due to compatibility issues.