

# IT Infrastructure

# Agenda – IT Infra Services

- **Overview** of IT Infrastructure Services
- Importance in **Business Continuity and Growth**
- **Servers**: Physical, Virtual, and Cloud
- **Networking**: Switches, Routers, Firewalls
- **Storage** Solutions: SAN, NAS, and Cloud Storage
- **Monitoring** and **Troubleshooting** Tools
- **Virtualization** Basics
- **Hypervisor** & it's types



# Agenda – Cloud (Azure)

- Introduction to **Cloud** Platforms
- Cloud Vs On-Premise
- Cloud Concepts - Principles of cloud computing & Create an Azure account
- Core Cloud Services
  - Introduction to Azure
  - Azure architecture and service guarantees
  - Azure compute options
  - Azure data storage options
  - Azure networking options
- Security, responsibility, and trust in Azure
- Apply and monitor infrastructure standards with Azure Policy
- Control and organize Azure resources with Azure Resource Manager
- Predict costs and optimize spending for Azure



# Overview of IT Infrastructure Services

- IT infrastructure services refer to the wide-ranging activities involved in managing and supporting an organization's technology foundation.
- Infrastructure includes **Networking** equipment, **Servers** and **Storage** due to the important function they provide within specific business environments.
- Infrastructure services include communication services, networking, data processing and storage, platforms through which businesses can share content and media, knowledge management, systems, applications, IoT, user devices, resilience.



# What if businesses do not have an IT infra?

- Without IT infrastructure, businesses struggle with operational inefficiencies, manual processes, and slow communication.
- Data management becomes troublesome, increasing the risk of data loss.
- Security vulnerabilities arise, making businesses susceptible to cyber threats and compliance issues.
- Customer service suffers, leading to frustration and loss of trust.
- Competitively, businesses fall behind, unable to innovate or adopt new technologies.
- Financially, higher operational costs and potential revenue loss from downtime and poor service impact growth.



# Servers

- Servers play a crucial role in IT infrastructure services, serving as the backbone for various applications and services.
- Some of the key uses of servers are:
  - File servers
  - Database servers
  - Web & Application servers
  - E-Mail server
  - Domain Controller
  - Backup servers
  - Firewall & monitoring servers



# Servers

- **Physical Servers**

- Physical servers are dedicated hardware devices that provide computing resources and services to other computers or devices on a network.

- **Virtual Servers**

- Virtual servers are created using virtualization software (**hypervisor**), which allows multiple virtual machines (VMs) to run on a single physical server.

- **Cloud Servers**

- Cloud servers are virtual servers hosted on cloud computing platforms like Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud.



# Networking - Switches

- Switches are networking devices that **connect multiple devices** within a Local Area Network (LAN).
- Switches are essential devices in a network that **connect multiple devices**, like computers, printers, and servers, allowing them to communicate with each other.
- Switches operate at the **Data Link Layer (Layer 2)** or sometimes the Network Layer (Layer 3 switch) of the OSI model.
- Switches direct data to the correct destination by identifying unique addresses (**MAC addresses**)
- Unlike Hub, Switches are considered as **intelligent-device**.





# Networking - Routers

- Routers are devices that **connect different networks** and direct data packets between them.
- Routers operate at the **network layer** (Layer 3) of the OSI model and use IP addresses to determine the best path for data transmission.
- Routers are devices that connect different networks and ensure data travels to the **correct destination**.
- It decides the **best route** for data to travel based on its destination address.
- Translate **private IP addresses to public IP addresses**, enabling devices within a LAN to access external networks.



# Networking - Firewalls

- Firewalls are security devices that **monitor, and control** incoming and outgoing network traffic based on predetermined security rules.
- They operate at **various layers** of the OSI model, typically the network and transport layers (Layers 3 and 4), and sometimes the application layer (Layer 7).
- In an IT infrastructure, switches, routers, and firewalls work together to ensure **seamless connectivity**, efficient data routing, and robust security.
- There are various types of firewalls:
  - Hardware
  - Software
  - Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFWs)



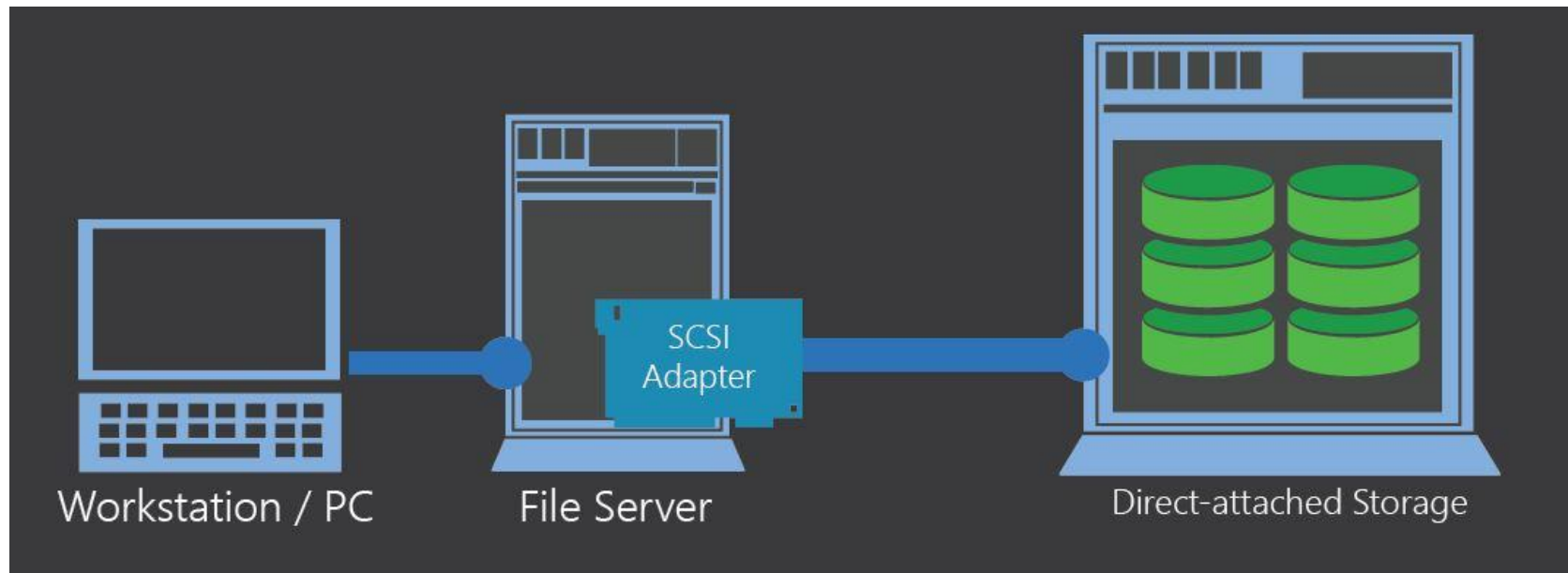
# Storage

- **Storage** refers to the solutions used to save and manage data.
- Efficient storage is essential for ensuring data integrity, accessibility, and security.
- Types of storage:
  - **Primary storage** – RAM, SSDs
  - **Secondary storage** – HDDS, Optical storage
  - **Offsite storage** – Tape drives, External drives
  - **Network storage** – DAS, NAS, SAN
  - **Cloud storage** – Public cloud storage, Private cloud storage



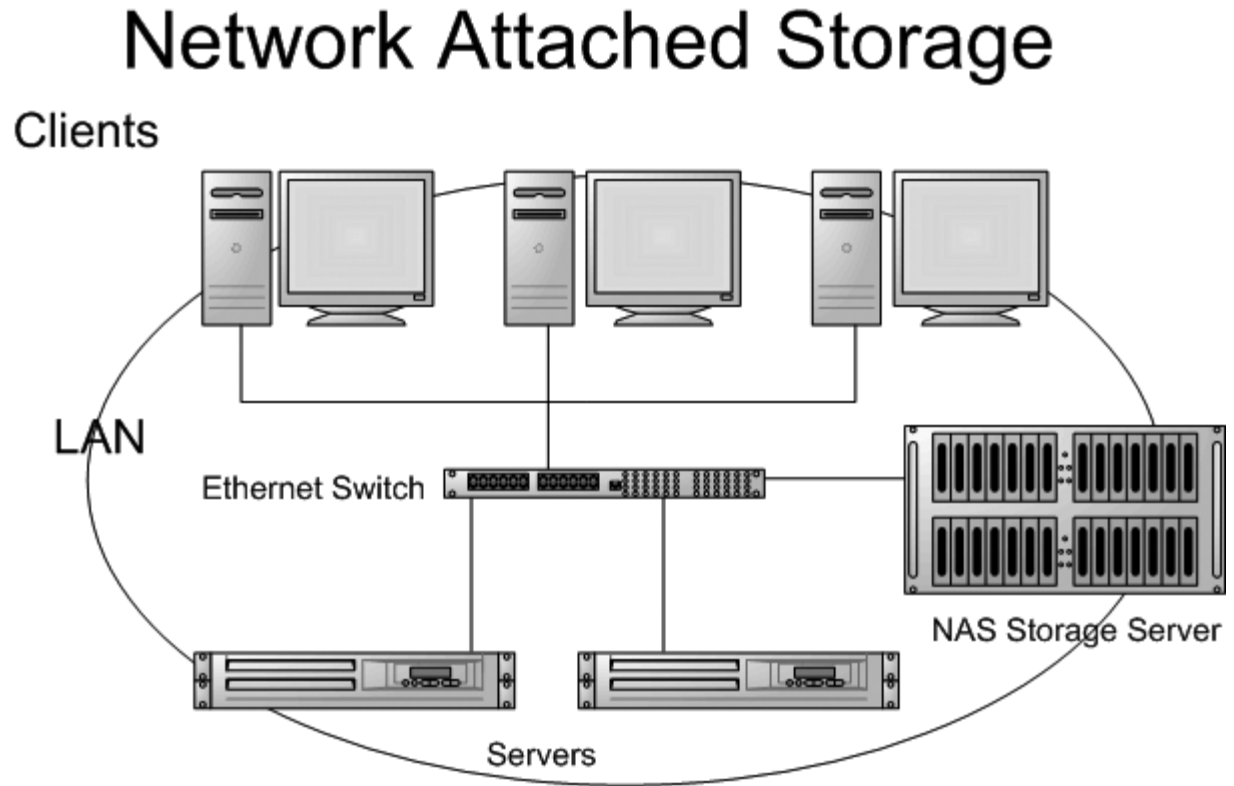
# Storage – DAS

- **Direct Attached Storage** is a storage system that is directly connected to a computer or server without using a network.
- It provides a dedicated storage solution for a specific server or workstation, making it a simple and cost-effective option for data storage needs.



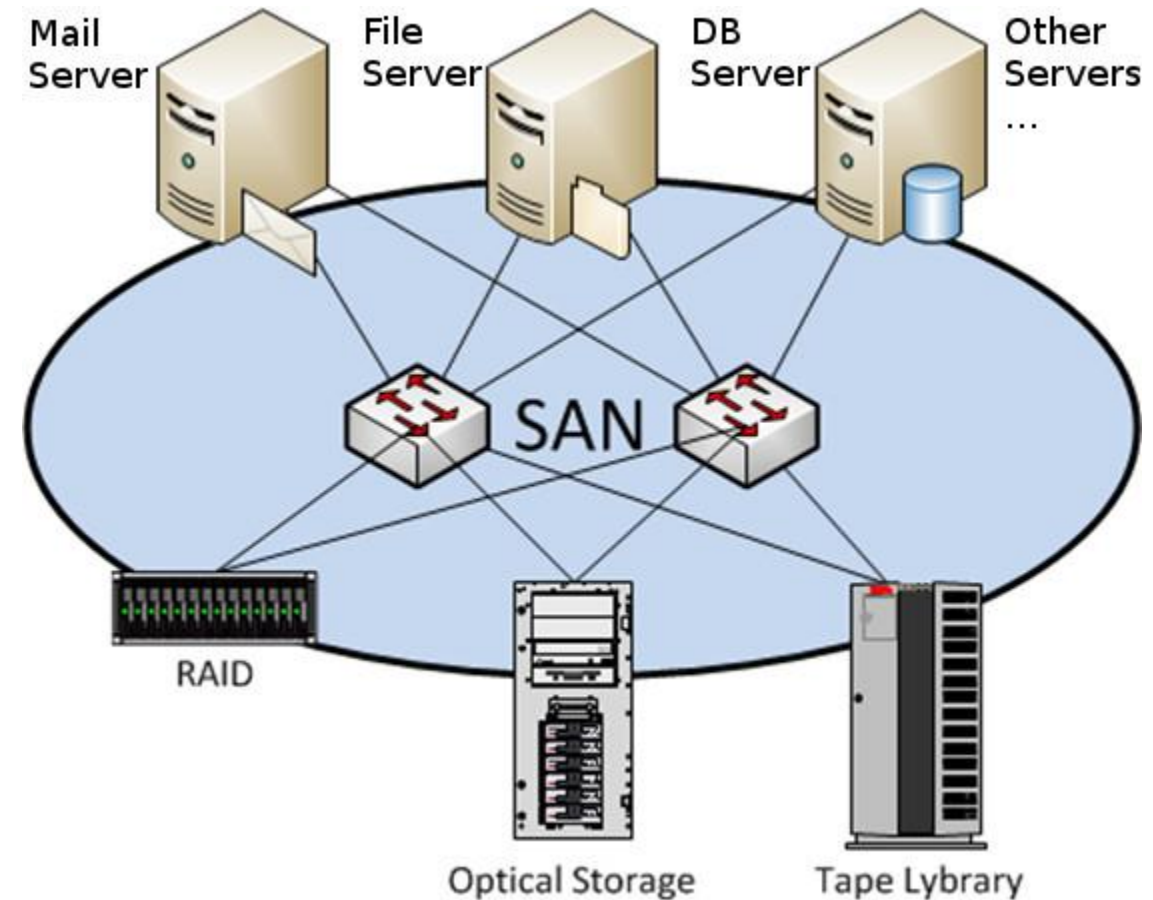
# Storage – NAS

- **Network Attached Storage** (NAS) is a data storage device connected to a local network that allows multiple users or devices to access and share files stored on it.
- It provides centralized, scalable storage that can be accessed remotely over a network, making it convenient for home or small office data backup and file sharing.



# Storage – SAN

- A **Storage Area Network** (SAN) is a dedicated high-speed network that provides access to consolidated, block-level data storage.
- It allows multiple servers to access shared storage devices, such as disk arrays and tape libraries, as if they were locally attached.
- This enables efficient data management, backup, and disaster recovery across an organization's storage infrastructure.



# Monitoring Tools

- Monitoring tools are designed to continuously observe the performance and health of IT systems, networks, and applications.
- Key features for monitoring tools:
  - Performance monitoring
  - Alerting
  - Logging
  - Visualization
- Examples of Monitoring tools:
  - Nagios
  - Prometheus
  - Splunk



# Troubleshooting tools

- These tools assist IT teams in diagnosing and resolving issues.
- They help identify root causes & provide solutions.
- Key Features:
  - Diagnostics Utilities & System Recovery
  - Log & Network Analysis
- Examples of Troubleshooting Tools
  - Wireshark
  - Ping
  - Traceroute (Linux) / Tracert (Windows)





# Virtualization Basics

- Virtualization is a technology that allows the creation of multiple virtual instances of hardware or software resources on a single physical machine.
- It decouples the hardware from the software, enabling more efficient use of physical resources and providing greater flexibility in IT infrastructure management.
- Key Concepts of Virtualization
  - Virtual Machine (VMs)
  - Hypervisor
  - Hypervisor types
  - Virtualization Types



# Virtualization - VMs

- Virtual machines are software-based emulations of physical computers.
- They run their own operating system and applications, just like a physical computer.
- Each VM has its own virtual
  - CPU,
  - Memory,
  - Storage, and
  - Network interfaces.
- VMs are isolated from each other, ensuring that issues in one VM do not affect others.



# Virtualization - Hypervisor

- A hypervisor, also known as a Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM), is software that creates and manages virtual machines.
- It allows multiple VMs to run on a single physical host.
  - **Type 1 (Bare-metal):** Runs directly on the physical hardware (e.g., VMware ESXi, Microsoft Hyper-V).
  - **Type 2 (Hosted):** Runs on top of an existing operating system (e.g., VMware Workstation, Oracle VirtualBox).



# Virtualization Types

- **Server Virtualization**

- Multiple virtual servers run on a single physical server.

- **Desktop Virtualization**

- Virtual desktops are provided to users, allowing them to access their work environment from any device.

- **Network Virtualization**

- Abstracts physical network resources to create virtual networks, improving network management and flexibility.

- **Storage Virtualization**

- Pools physical storage resources into a virtual storage environment, simplifying storage management.



# Introduction to Cloud

- Cloud computing can be called a technology through which things like software, processing, and data storage are outsourced.
- There is only a need for an internet connection, an updated web browser and a compatible device for using a cloud computing service.
- Cloud computing makes computer system resources, especially storage and computing power, available on demand without direct active management by the user.

[By Wikipedia]



# Cloud Computing

- Central data center for providing services.
- On-demand, scalable, unlimited computation & storage.
- It's basically a data center.
- 4 characteristics of a Cloud:
  - Everything is a Service (backup, firewall, network...)
  - Elasticity in nature
  - HA – 99.99% SLA
  - Unlimited computation power.
- Any Data Centre that provides above 4 characteristics is a cloud.



# High availability

Availability %	Downtime per year[ <a href="#">note 1</a> ]	Downtime per quarter	Downtime per month	Downtime per week	Downtime per day (24 hours)
<b>90% ("one nine")</b>	<b>36.53 days</b>	<b>9.13 days</b>	<b>73.05 hours</b>	<b>16.80 hours</b>	<b>2.40 hours</b>
95% ("one nine five")	18.26 days	4.56 days	36.53 hours	8.40 hours	1.20 hours
97% ("one nine seven")	10.96 days	2.74 days	21.92 hours	5.04 hours	43.20 minutes
98% ("one nine eight")	7.31 days	43.86 hours	14.61 hours	3.36 hours	28.80 minutes
<b>99% ("two nines")</b>	<b>3.65 days</b>	<b>21.9 hours</b>	<b>7.31 hours</b>	<b>1.68 hours</b>	<b>14.40 minutes</b>
99.5% ("two nines five")	1.83 days	10.98 hours	3.65 hours	50.40 minutes	7.20 minutes
99.8% ("two nines eight")	17.53 hours	4.38 hours	87.66 minutes	20.16 minutes	2.88 minutes
<b>99.9% ("three nines")</b>	<b>8.77 hours</b>	<b>2.19 hours</b>	<b>43.83 minutes</b>	<b>10.08 minutes</b>	<b>1.44 minutes</b>
99.95% ("three nines five")	4.38 hours	65.7 minutes	21.92 minutes	5.04 minutes	43.20 seconds
<b>99.99% ("four nines")</b>	<b>52.60 minutes</b>	<b>13.15 minutes</b>	<b>4.38 minutes</b>	<b>1.01 minutes</b>	<b>8.64 seconds</b>
99.995% ("four nines five")	26.30 minutes	6.57 minutes	2.19 minutes	30.24 seconds	4.32 seconds
<b>99.999% ("five nines")</b>	<b>5.26 minutes</b>	<b>1.31 minutes</b>	<b>26.30 seconds</b>	<b>6.05 seconds</b>	<b>864.00 milliseconds</b>
99.9999% ("six nines")	31.56 seconds	7.89 seconds	2.63 seconds	604.80 milliseconds	86.40 milliseconds
99.99999% ("seven nines")	3.16 seconds	0.79 seconds	262.98 milliseconds	60.48 milliseconds	8.64 milliseconds
99.999999% ("eight nines")	315.58 milliseconds	78.89 milliseconds	26.30 milliseconds	6.05 milliseconds	864.00 microseconds
<b>99.9999999% ("nine nines")</b>	<b>31.56 milliseconds</b>	<b>7.89 milliseconds</b>	<b>2.63 milliseconds</b>	<b>604.80 microseconds</b>	<b>86.40 microseconds</b>
99.99999999% ("ten nines")	3.16 milliseconds	788.40 microseconds	262.80 microseconds	60.48 microseconds	8.64 microseconds
99.999999999% ("eleven nines")	315.58 microseconds	78.84 microseconds	26.28 microseconds	6.05 microseconds	864.00 nanoseconds
<b>99.9999999999% ("twelve nines")</b>	<b>31.56 microseconds</b>	<b>7.88 microseconds</b>	<b>2.63 microseconds</b>	<b>604.81 nanoseconds</b>	<b>86.40 nanoseconds</b>

**Link:** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/High\\_availability](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/High_availability)



# What you have to manage on On-Premises?

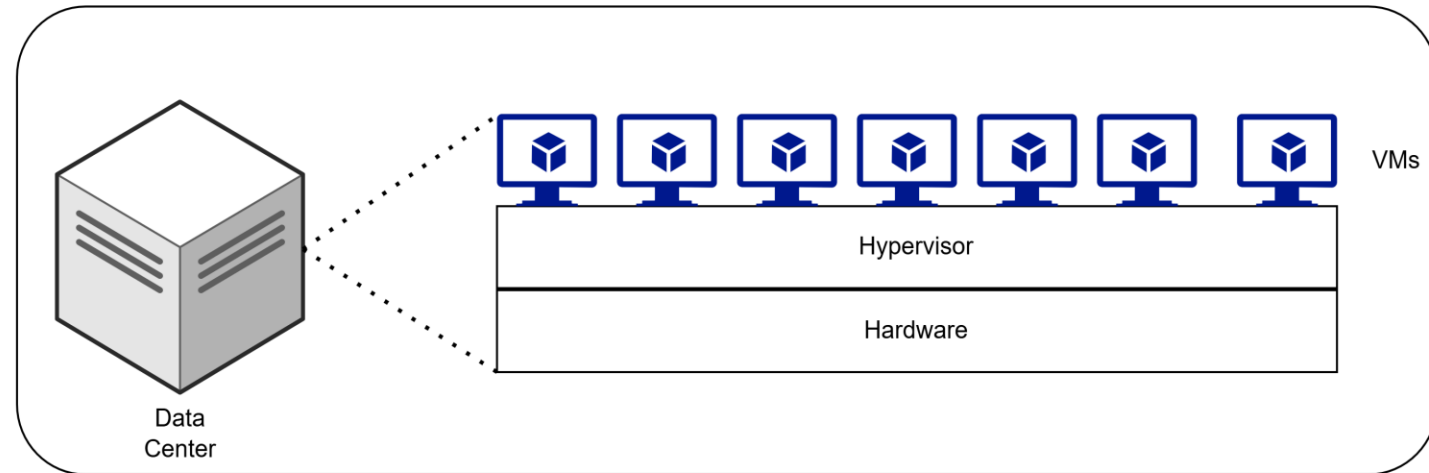
- Power supply
- Network devices
- Storage devices
- Server racks
- Space
- Scalable options
  - Administrators for Servers, Networks, etc..



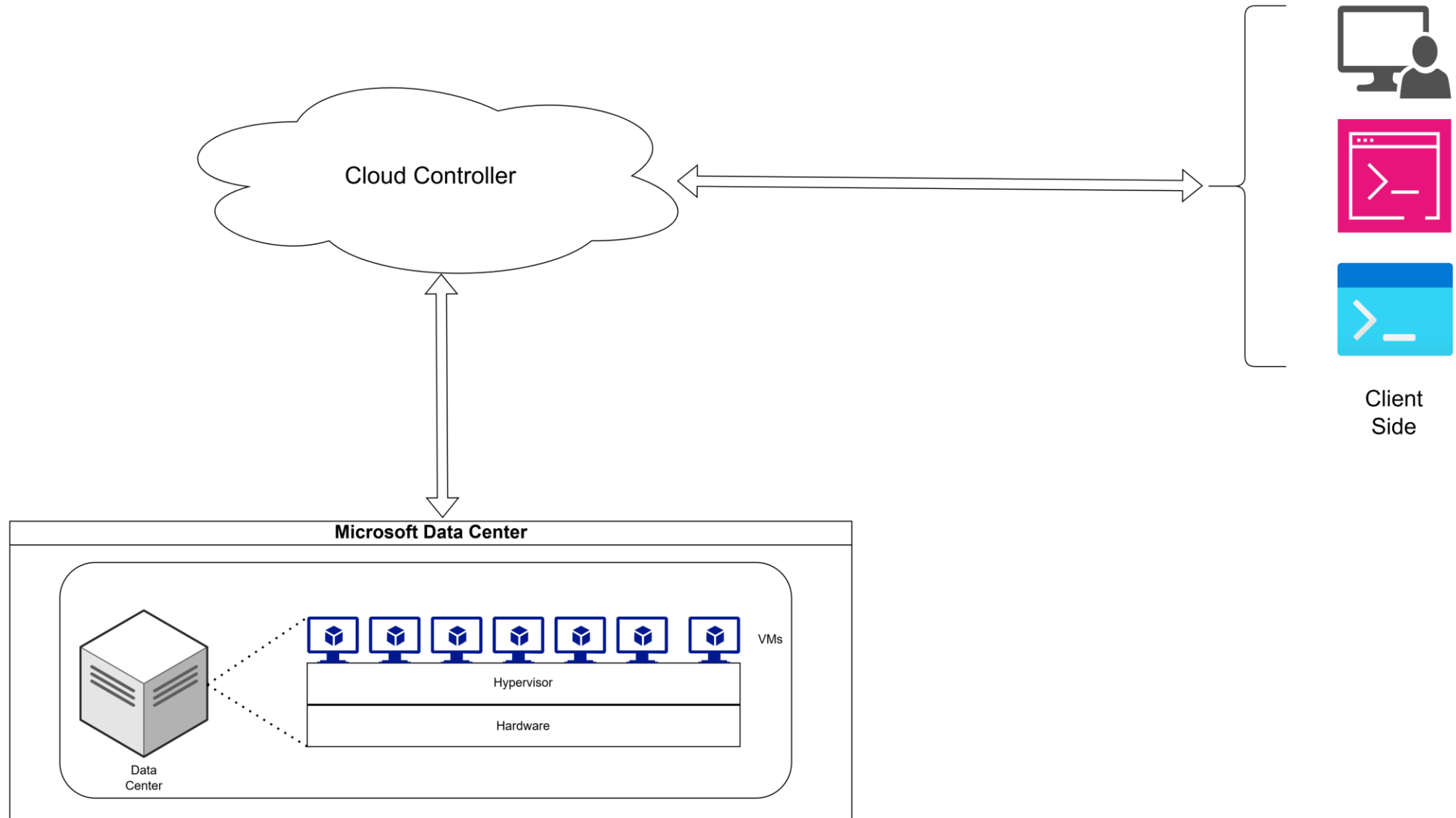


# Virtualized Data Center

- Achieved using tool called “Hypervisor”.
- Advantages of using virtualization:
  - No maximum limit for a VM.
  - Centralized monitoring.
  - Software defined.
- Different types of Virtualization”
  - Hardware virtualization
  - Network virtualization
  - Desktop virtualization
  - Storage virtualization



# Virtualized Data Center to Cloud

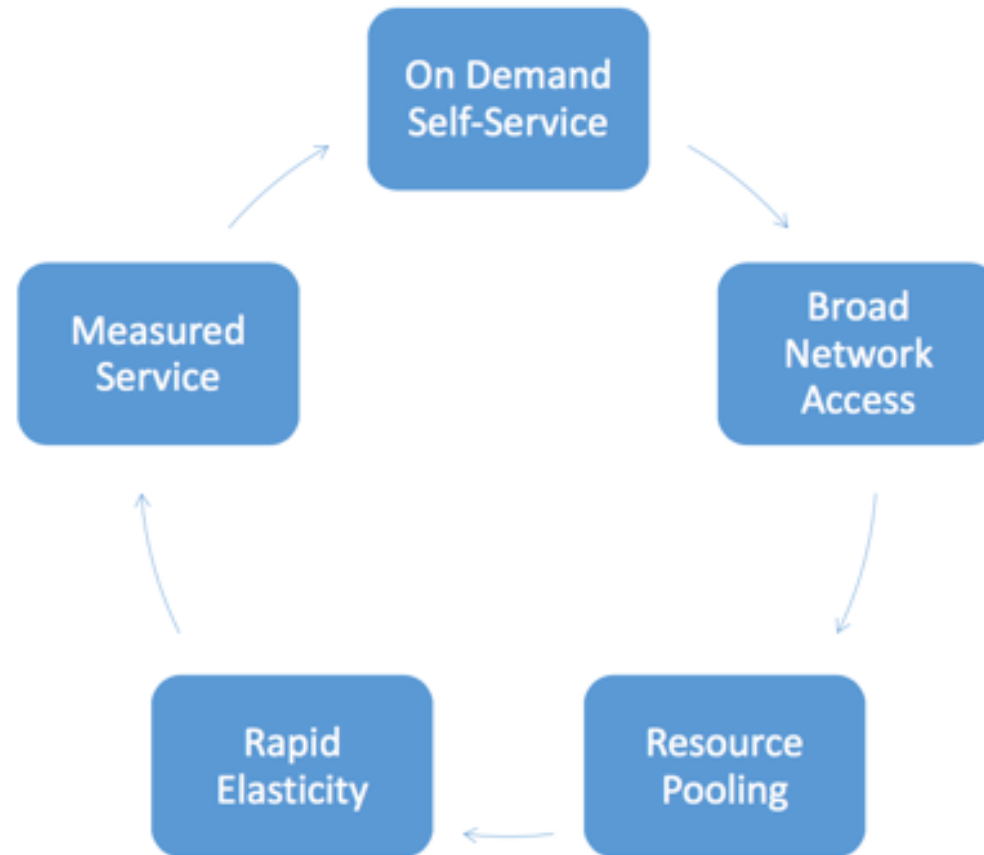


# Why cloud computing is a better option?

- Highly scalable and flexible
- Low-cost solution
- Faster and secure
- Global Access
- Productive
- Hybrid
- Intelligent



# Essential Characteristics of Cloud



# Essential Characteristics of Cloud

- **On-demand self-service**

- Resources are instantly available when needed.

- **Broad network access**

- Access anytime or anywhere a connection to the Internet exists.

- **Resource pooling**

- Data center resources are pooled together optimizing quality of service.

- **Rapid elasticity**

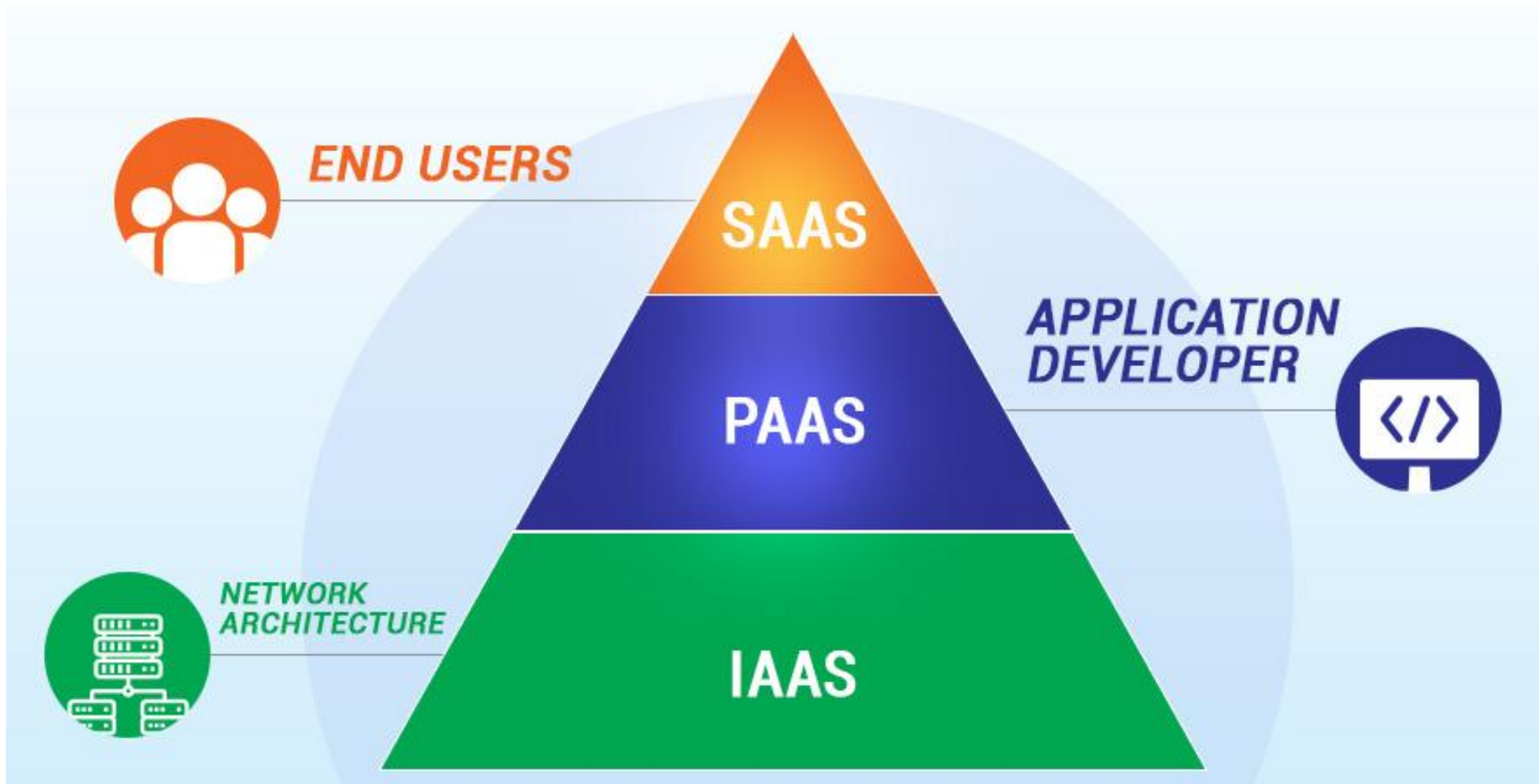
- The ability to add or remove computing resources based on need.

- **Measured service**

- The ability to measure resource usage and charge customers.



# Services provided



# Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)

- IaaS is a fully self-service model that delivers infrastructure resources via virtualization technologies.
- IaaS comprises scalable computing, storage, and security capabilities accessed on an API or dashboard.
- Examples of IaaS
  - Amazon Web Services (AWS)
  - HP Cloud Services
  - Microsoft Windows Azure
  - Rackspace Cloud
  - IBM Smart Cloud
  - VMware
  - GoGrid



# Platform as a Service (PaaS)

- PAAS provides a framework for developers to create their own applications.
- Essential, PaaS gives developers an online platform to create and manage software without worrying about maintaining everything else.
- Examples of PaaS
  - Amazon Web Services (AWS)
  - Microsoft Windows Azure
  - Google App
  - IBM SmartCloud Application services
  - Force.com





# Software as a Service (SaaS)

- SAAS is the most common cloud deployment model. SaaS refers to applications delivered over the Internet that a third party manages.
- SaaS applications are typically accessed and ran via a Web browser, eliminating the need to download software onto a user's machines.
- Examples of SaaS
  - Salesforce CRM
  - Basecamp
  - Intuit QuickBooks
  - Constant Contact
  - NetSuite
  - Google Docs



# Pizza as a Service



Business manages everything  
(no cloud computing)

IAAS

PAAS

SAAS

Applications

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Data

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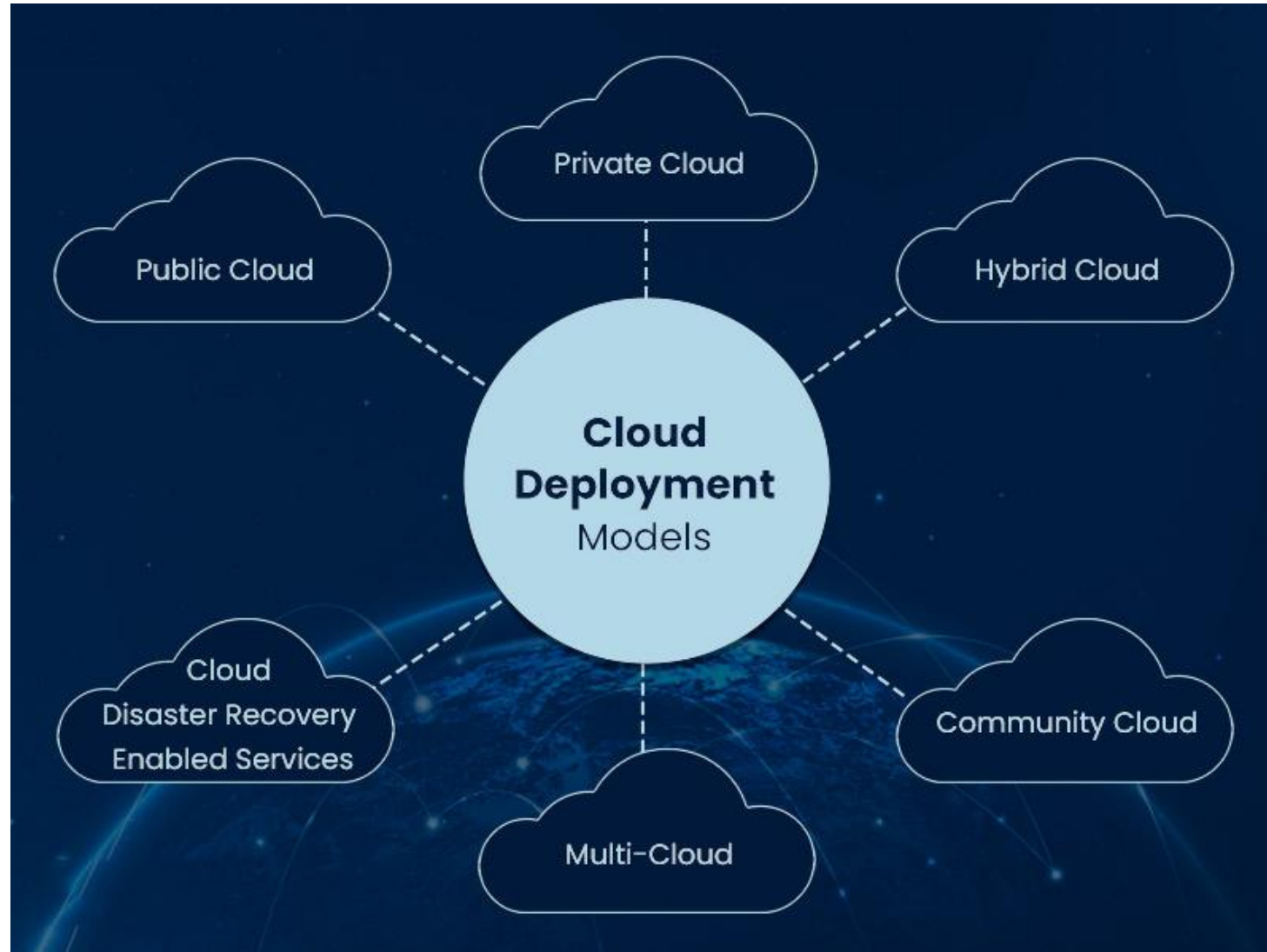
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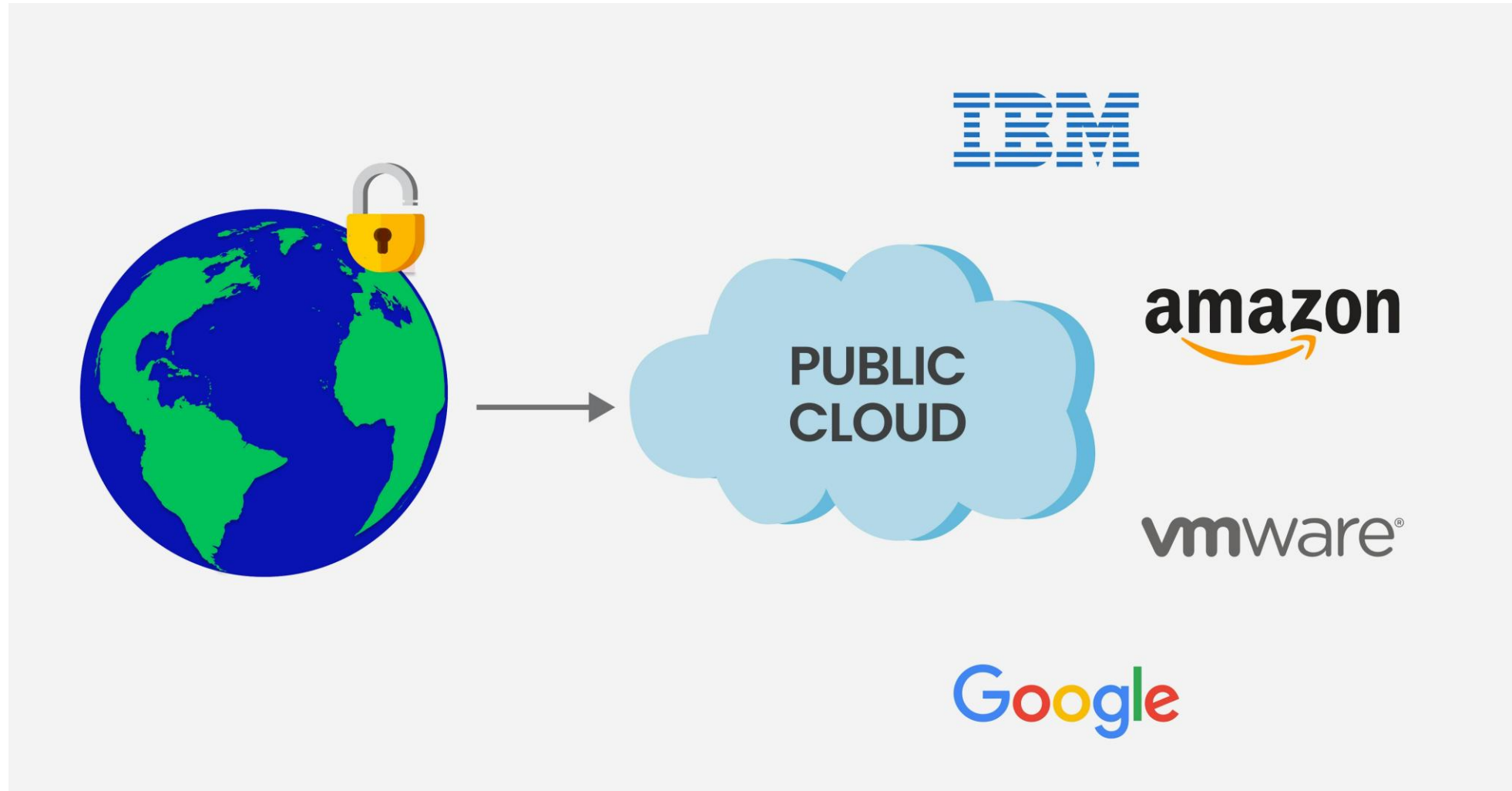
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Vendor manages

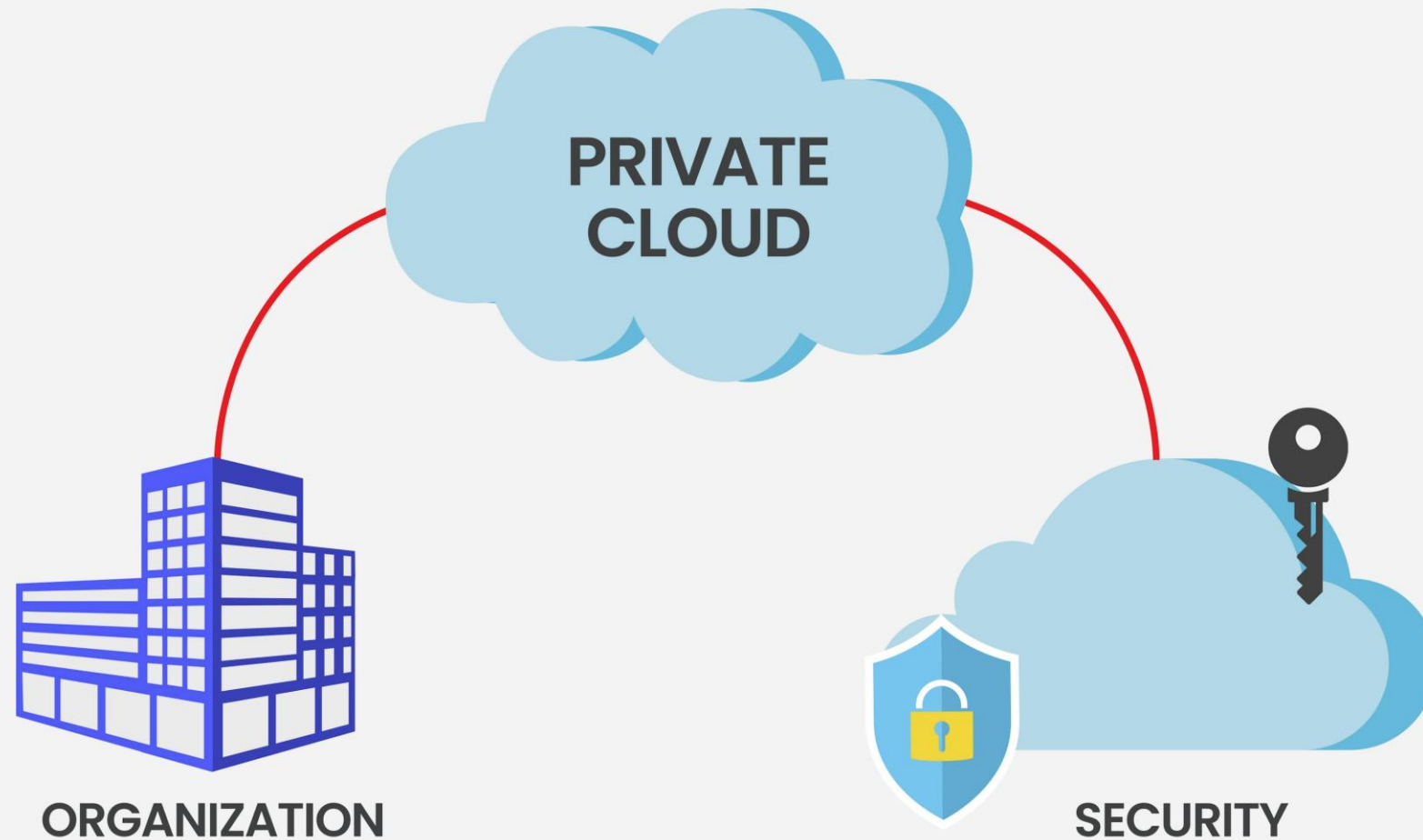
# Deployment Models



# Deployment Models – Public Cloud

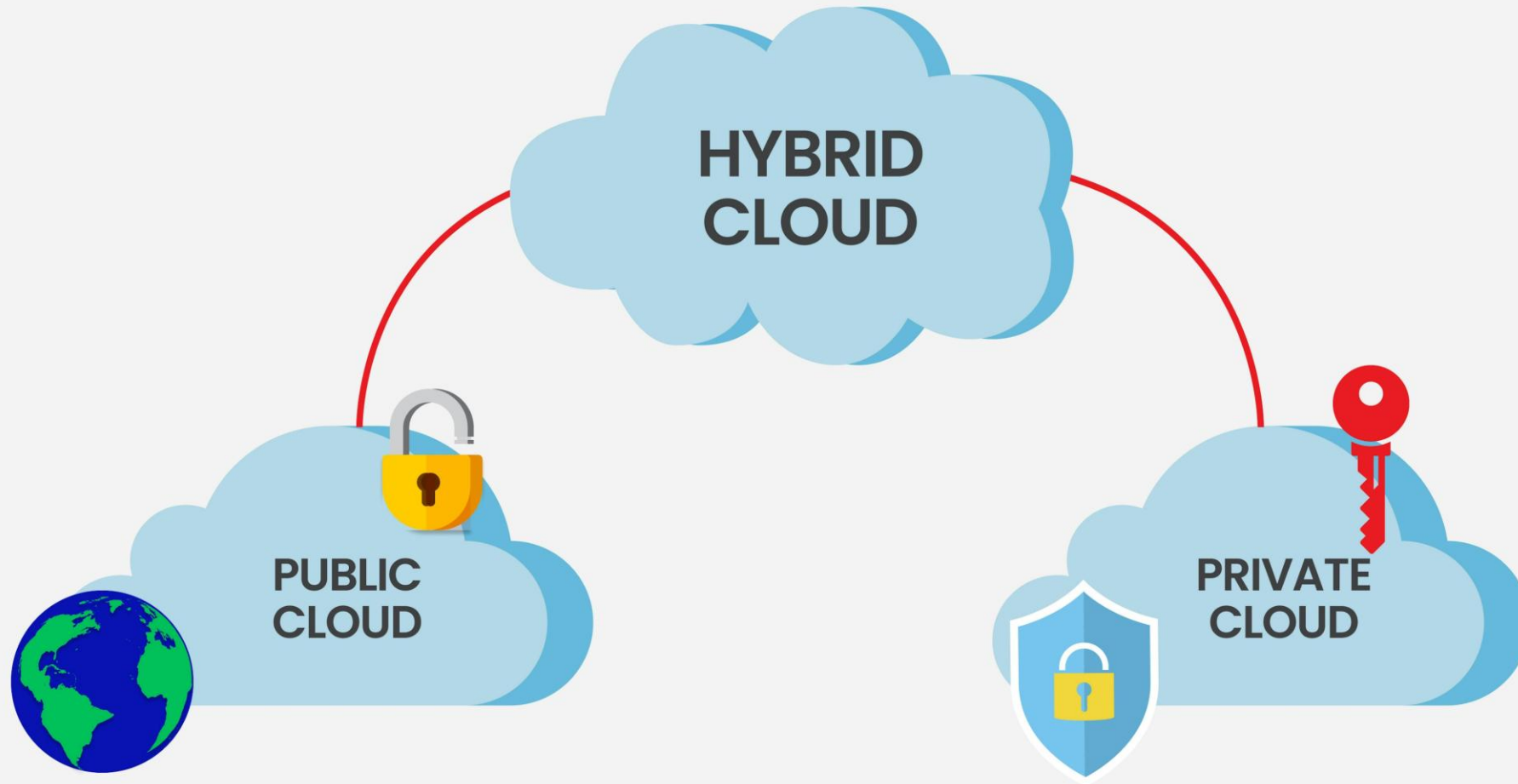


# Deployment Models – Private Cloud





# Deployment Models – Hybrid Cloud



# Deployment Models – Community cloud





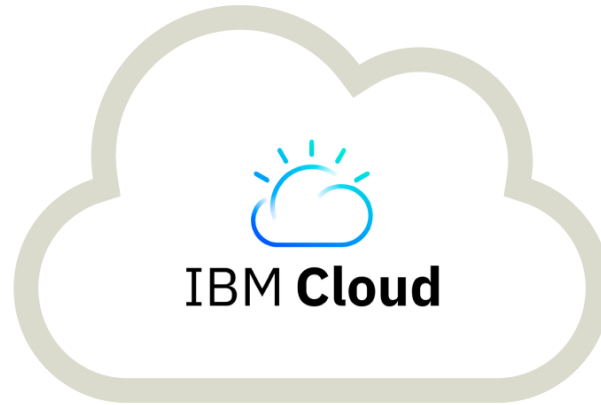
# Benefits of Cloud computing

- **Cost**
  - No h/w, s/w, on-prem data centers
- **Global scale**
  - Elastic in nature (any time scale-in/out).
- **Performance**
  - Reduced n/w latency.
- **Speed**
  - Self-service, on-demand, flexibility.
- **Productivity**
  - No racks & stacks, no h/w setup, no s/w patching.
- **Reliability**
  - Data backup, easy & cheap DR, redundant.



# Cloud vendors in market

- AWS
- Azure
- Google Cloud
- Alibaba
- IBM
- VMWare
- Rackspace
- Adobe



Google Cloud Platform



# What is Microsoft Azure?

- Microsoft Azure is an ever-expanding set of cloud services to help your organization meet your business challenges.
- It's the freedom to build, manage, and deploy applications on a massive, global network using your favorite tools and frameworks.
- Microsoft Azure (formerly Windows Azure) is a cloud computing service created by Microsoft for building, testing, deploying, and managing applications and services through Microsoft-managed data centers.



# Global footprint - Azure regions



**60+**

Azure regions

**300+**

Datacenters worldwide

**190+**

Network PoPs

**442k+**

Kilometers of network

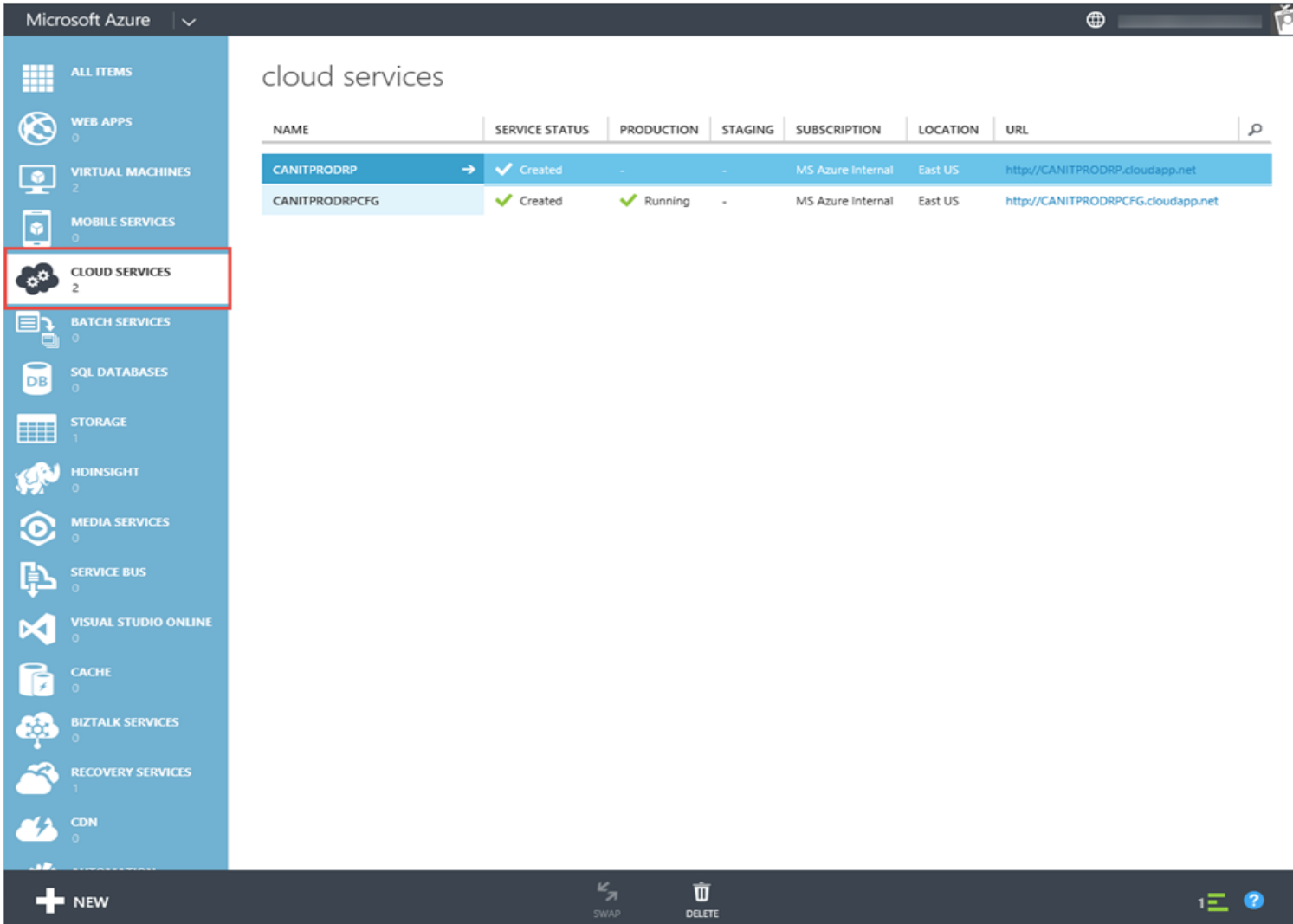


# Accessing Azure

- GUI – New (ARM)
- GUI – Old (ASM)
- PowerShell
- Azure cloud shell
- REST API



# Azure Service Manager (ASM)



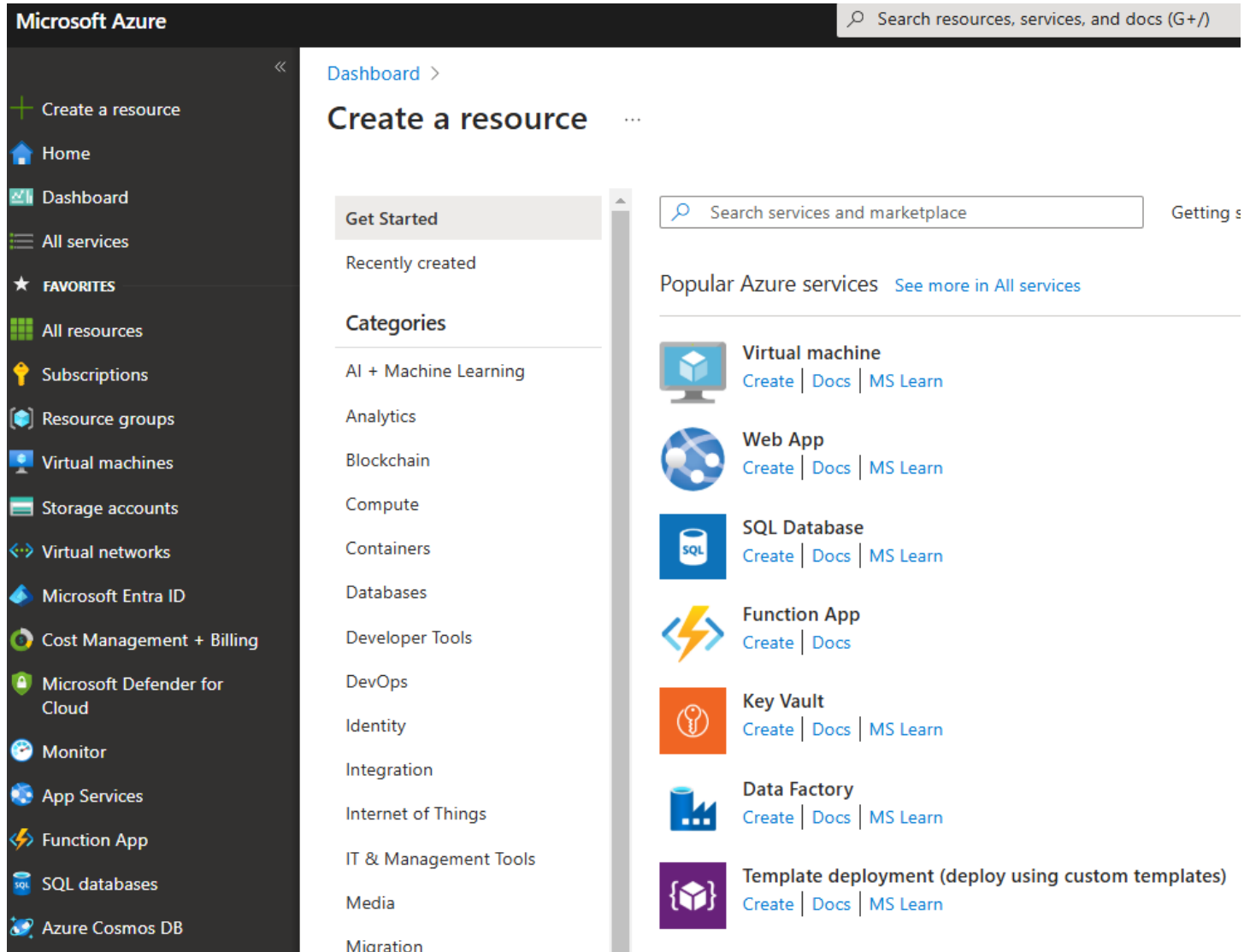
The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure portal interface. On the left, a sidebar lists various services, with 'CLOUD SERVICES' (2) highlighted. The main area displays a table of cloud services under the heading 'cloud services'.

NAME	SERVICE STATUS	PRODUCTION	STAGING	SUBSCRIPTION	LOCATION	URL
CANITPRODRP	✓ Created	-	-	MS Azure Internal	East US	<a href="http://CANITPRODRP.cloudapp.net">http://CANITPRODRP.cloudapp.net</a>
CANITPRODRPCFG	✓ Created	✓ Running	-	MS Azure Internal	East US	<a href="http://CANITPRODRPCFG.cloudapp.net">http://CANITPRODRPCFG.cloudapp.net</a>

- a.k.a **Classic portal**
- Now **deprecated**.
- No **Resource Groups**.
- No **parallel execution** of tasks.
- The API set used by ASM is **XML** driven REST API.
- No **RBAC** support.



# Azure Resource Manager (ARM)

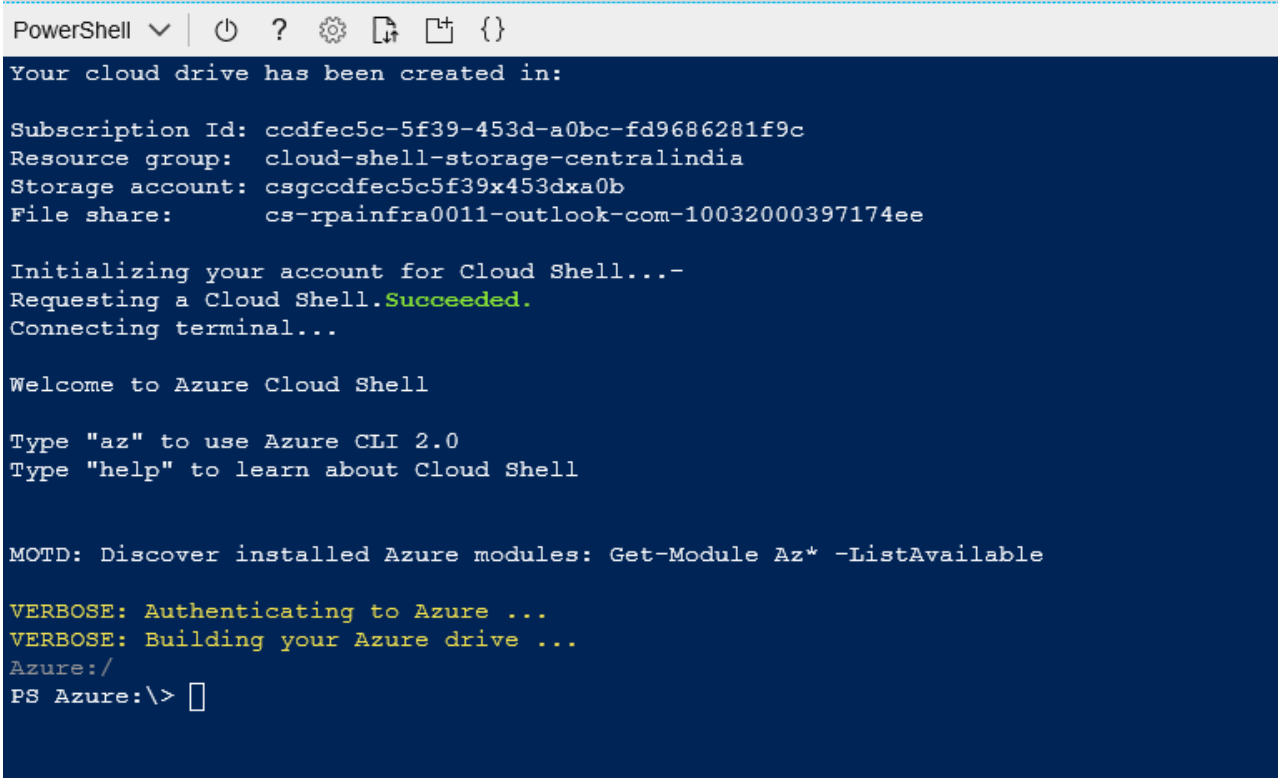


- a.k.a **Modern deployment Model**
- Supports **IaC** and **ARM Templates**.
- Fine-grained **RBAC** with built-in roles and custom role definitions.
- Resources are deployed within specific **Resource Groups**.



# Azure Cloud Shell

- Azure Cloud Shell is an **interactive, browser-based** shell provided by Microsoft that allows users to **manage and automate Azure resources** directly from the Azure portal.
- It provides a pre-configured environment with a wide range of tools and utilities for managing Azure services.

A screenshot of the Azure Cloud Shell PowerShell terminal window. The window has a title bar with 'PowerShell' and several icons. The terminal text shows the creation of a cloud drive, subscription details, and the initialization of the Azure CLI environment. The prompt is 'PS Azure:\>' with a cursor.

```
PowerShell | ? | | | | |  
Your cloud drive has been created in:  
  
Subscription Id: ccdfec5c-5f39-453d-a0bc-fd9686281f9c  
Resource group: cloud-shell-storage-centralindia  
Storage account: csgccdfec5c5f39x453dxa0b  
File share: cs-rpainfra0011-outlook-com-10032000397174ee  
  
Initializing your account for Cloud Shell...-  
Requesting a Cloud Shell.Succeeded.  
Connecting terminal...  
  
Welcome to Azure Cloud Shell  
  
Type "az" to use Azure CLI 2.0  
Type "help" to learn about Cloud Shell  
  
MOTD: Discover installed Azure modules: Get-Module Az* -ListAvailable  
  
VERBOSE: Authenticating to Azure ...  
VERBOSE: Building your Azure drive ...  
Azure:/  
PS Azure:\> |
```





# Azure PowerShell

```
PS C:\scripts> Get-AzSubscription | fl
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Id : [REDACTED]
Name : MSDN Platforms
State : Enabled
SubscriptionId : [REDACTED]
TenantId : [REDACTED]
CurrentStorageAccountName : 
ExtendedProperties : {[Account, jeetu.singh5591@hotmail.com], [Tenants, [REDACTED]],
                    [Environment, AzureCloud]}
CurrentStorageAccount :
```

- To get this, you need to install Azure modules (**AZ**) using PowerShell (run as admin).
- After installation, you will be able to run cmdlets & scripts on to Azure portal to automate the job(s).



# Azure free services (for 12 months)

▪ Linux Virtual Machines (750Hrs)	▪ Windows Virtual Machines (750Hrs)
▪ Managed Disks (64 GB x 2)	▪ Blob Storage (5 GB)
▪ File Storage (5 GB)	▪ SQL Database (250 GB)
▪ Azure Cosmos DB (5 GB)	▪ Bandwidth (Data Transfer) (15 GB)
▪ Computer Vision (AI + MACHINE LEARNING/5,000 transactions)	▪ Personalizer (AI + MACHINE LEARNING / 50,000 transactions)
▪ Translator Text (AI + MACHINE LEARNING / 2,000,000 characters)	▪ Anomaly Detector (AI + MACHINE LEARNING / 20,000 transactions)
▪ Form Recognizer (AI + MACHINE LEARNING / 500 pages)	▪ QnA Maker (AI + MACHINE LEARNING / 3 days)




# Azure Subscriptions

- Azure Free Account
- Trial Subscriptions
- Pay-As-You-Go (PAYG)
- Azure Dev/Test Pay-As-You-Go
- Enterprise Agreement (EA)
- Microsoft Customer Agreement (MCA)
- Microsoft Partner Agreement (MPA)
- Sponsorship
- Azure for Students
- Microsoft Imagine
- Azure Reserved Instances
- Azure Consumption Commitment
- Cloud Solution Provider (CSP)
- Azure Marketplace Plans



# Azure calculator

 Virtual Machines

REGION:  
West US

OPERATING SYSTEM:  
Windows

TYPE:  
(OS Only)

TIER:  
Standard

INSTANCE:  
D2 v3: 2 vCPU(s), 8 GB RAM, 50 GB Temporary storage, US\$ 0.21/hour

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### Billing Option

Save up to 72% on pay-as-you-go prices with 1-year or 3-year Reserved Virtual Machine Instances. Reserved Instances are great for applications with steady-state usage and applications that require reserved capacity. [Learn more about Reserved VM Instances pricing.](#)

☒ Pay as you go

☐ 1 year reserved (~18% savings)

☐ 3 year reserved (~32% savings)



# Azure Updates

Filter (8398 updates)

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Products



Status



Update type



New or updated



■ □ □ In development (123)



■ ■ □ In preview (2607)



■ ■ ■ Launched (4175)



Generally Available: Changes to instance size flexibility ratios for Azure  
Reserved Virtual Machine Instances for M-series

Virtual Machines

■ ■ ■ LAUNCHED

GENERAL AVAILABILITY  
December 2024



Retirement: Resources interacting with Azure Automation using TLS 1.0/1.1  
protocol will be blocked from March 1, 2025

Automation

RETIREMENT  
March 2025



# Azure Status

Updated 53 seconds ago | Refresh every

✓ Good
ℹ Information
⚠ Warning
✖ Critical
-- N/A

	Current Impact	Americas	Europe	Asia Pacific	Middle East and Africa	Azure Government	Azure China	Jio <sup>5</sup>							
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COMPUTE															
Azure VMware Solution	--	✓	✓	✓	✓	--	--	✓	--	--	✓	✓	--	--	--
Azure VMware Solution by CloudSimple	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Batch	--	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	--
Azure Center for SAP solutions	--	--	✓	✓	--	--	--	✓	--	--	✓	--	✓	--	--
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Azure Service Fabric	--	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	--





*That's all Folks!*