





Unit-2: Virtualization and Resource Management

Elasticity and Scalability in Cloud Computing

Introduction to Cloud Computing

 Cloud computing = Renting supercomputers   instead of buying them!

 Businesses and individuals get **computing power, storage, and services** without worrying about physical machines.

 Two superhero concepts that make cloud computing **efficient**: **Elasticity**  & **Scalability** 

Scalability in Cloud Computing

Definition

Scalability = Cloud's ability to **handle bigger workloads** by **adding/removing resources** .

Types of Scalability

Vertical Scalability (Scaling Up/Down)

 Think of this like upgrading your smartphone  — more RAM, faster processor!



Example: Adding **CPU, RAM, or storage** to an existing machine.

Horizontal Scalability (Scaling Out/In)

 Like hiring more employees when work increases!   

Example: Adding **more machines** to balance the load.


Diagonal Scalability



 The best of both worlds!  Start by **upgrading a machine**, and when that's not enough, **add more machines!**

 Optimized for **performance + efficiency**.

Key Characteristics

✓ **Performance stability** even when workload grows .

✓ Needs **proactive planning**  (or you'll run out of space like an overstuffed backpack ).

✓ **Must-have for high-traffic apps** (think  banking &  social media).

Examples of Scalability

- 👥 **Netflix:** Scales horizontally to stream your favorite shows without lag 🎬 📺.
- 📷 **Facebook & Google Cloud Bigtable:** Handle massive amounts of data so your vacation photos never disappear! 🌴 📷
- 🌥️ **AWS Elastic Load Balancer:** Distributes user traffic efficiently, so websites don't crash. 🚦 🌐

🏃 Elasticity in Cloud Computing

📖 Definition

Elasticity = Auto-magic cloud that **expands or shrinks** dynamically based on demand! 🎩 ✨

⚡ Key Characteristics

- ✓ Resources **adjust automatically** in real-time ⌚.
- ✓ Pay **only for what you use** (no wastage! 💰).
- ✓ Perfect for **sudden traffic spikes** 🚀 (like Black Friday sales 🛒 🔥).

☀️ Examples of Elasticity




- 💡 **AWS Auto Scaling:** Adjusts EC2 instances when demand changes 📈 📉.
- 🔄 **Microsoft Azure VM Scale Sets:** Expands/shrinks your VMs as needed.
- 🌐 **Google Cloud Autoscaler:** Smartly handles website traffic fluctuations! 🌊

😬 Elasticity vs. Scalability (Who Wins? 🏆)

Feature	⚡ Elasticity 🧑	🚀 Scalability 📊
Definition	Adjusts resources dynamically	Expands infrastructure to grow
Response Time	Instant, automatic 🕒	Needs planning 📅
Cost Efficiency	💰 High (pays per use)	💡 Moderate (extra infra needed)
Best For	Unpredictable workloads 📈	Long-term, stable growth 📊
Example	Auto-scaling e-commerce 🛒	Expanding data centers 🏢

🔍 Case Studies on Virtualization Technologies

- 1 🏢 **VMware in Healthcare** (Keeping medical records safe! 🏥 💉)
- 2 💰 **Microsoft Hyper-V in Finance** (Making sure banks don't crash! 🏦 📉)


3  Google Cloud for E-Commerce (Helping your cart survive mega sales!  )

 Video Explanation: [Click Here!](#) 

 In Short:

 Elasticity = Cloud Yoga  (Auto-adjusts when needed)

 Scalability = Cloud Gym  (Grows stronger with time)

Which one is better?  Both!

Use elasticity for instant demand shifts & scalability for long-term growth! 