Cloud Security: Part 1

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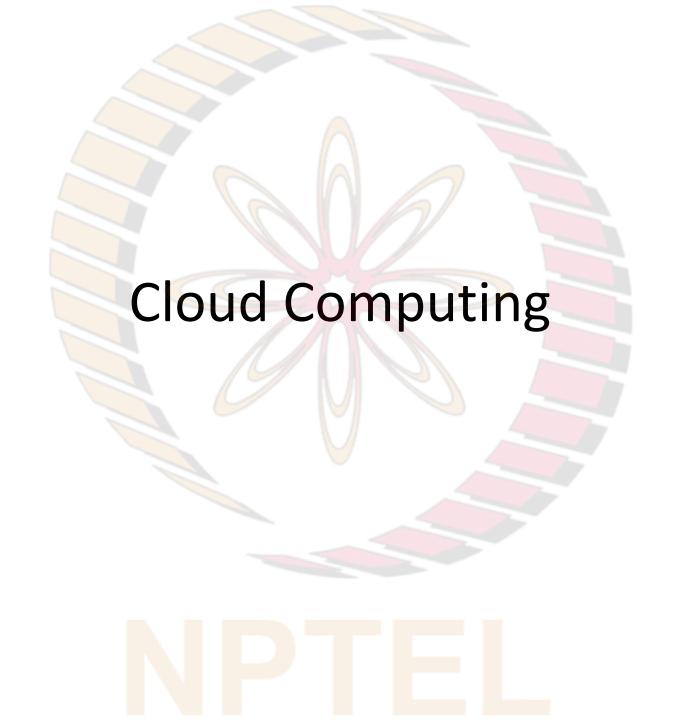
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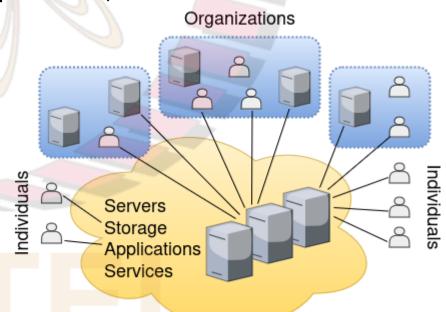
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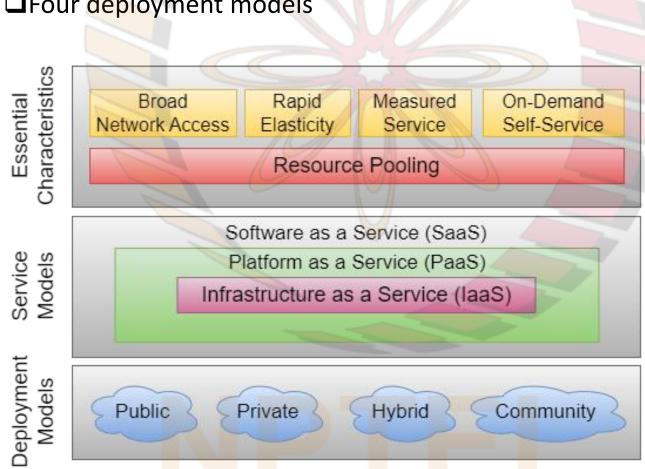
Introduction

- Increasing trend in many organizations to move a substantial part or all information technology (IT) operations to an Internet-connected infrastructure
 - □ called enterprise cloud computing
- Cloud computing is a model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, ondemand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources
 - ☐e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services
- These computing resources can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction



Cloud Model

- This cloud model is composed of:
 - ☐ Five essential characteristics,
 - ☐ Three service models, and
 - ☐ Four deployment models

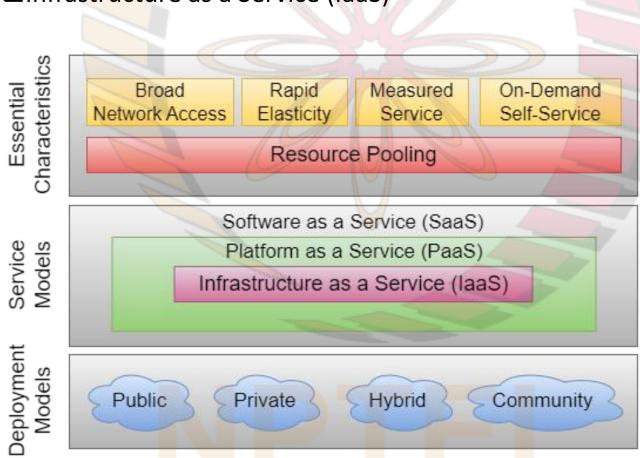


Essential Characteristics of Cloud Computing

•	Broad Network Access:
	☐ Capabilities are available over the network
	Accessed through standard mechanisms and used by heterogeneous thin or thick client platforms (e.g., mobile phones, laptops, PDAs, etc.)
•	Rapid Elasticity:
	☐ Resources can be expanded and reduced according to the specific service requirements of the clients
	□ E.g.:
	 a client may need a large number of server resources for the duration of a specific task these resources released upon completion of the task
•	Measured Service:
	Cloud systems use a metering capability appropriate to the type of service (e.g., storage, processing, bandwidth, etc.)
	This metering capability used to automatically control and optimize resource use
	Such metering provides transparency for both the provider and consumer of the utilized service
•	On-Demand Self-Service:
	☐ A cloud service consumer (CSC) can unilaterally provision computing capabilities, such as server time and network storage
	This is done as needed automatically, without requiring human interaction with service provider
•	Resource Pooling:
	☐ Provider's computing resources (e.g., storage, processing, memory, network bandwidth, virtual machines are pooled to serve multiple CSCs
	☐ Different physical and virtual resources dynamically assigned and reassigned according to consumer demand
	CSC generally has no control or knowledge of exact location of provided resources, but may be able to specify location at a higher level of abstraction (e.g., country, state, or data center)

Cloud Service Models

- There are the following three service models:
 - ☐Software as a Service (SaaS)
 - ☐ Platform as a Service (PaaS)
 - ☐ Infrastructure as a Service (laaS)



Software as a Service (SaaS)

- Provides service to customers in the form of application software, running on and accessible in the cloud
- Enables the customer to use cloud provider's applications running on the provider's cloud infrastructure
- Applications are accessible from various client devices through a simple interface such as a Web browser
- Instead of obtaining desktop and server licenses for software products it uses, an enterprise obtains the same functions from the cloud service
- Use of SaaS avoids the complexity of software installation, maintenance, upgrades, and patches

E.g.: Google Gmail Microsoft 365 Salesforce Citrix GoToMeeting Cisco WebEx

Platform as a Service (PaaS)

- Provides service to customers in the form of a platform on which the customer's applications can run
- Enables customer to deploy onto the cloud infrastructure customer-created or acquired applications
- PaaS is an operating system in cloud
- E.g.:
 Google AppEngine
 Engine Yard
 Heroku
 Microsoft Azure Cloud Services
 Apache Stratos

Infrastructure as a Service (laaS)

- Customer has access to hardware resources of underlying cloud infrastructure
- Customer has control over operating systems and deployed applications
- IaaS provides virtual machines (VMs) and other virtualized hardware
- laaS offers the customer processing, storage, networks, and other fundamental computing resources so that:
 - □customer is able to deploy and run arbitrary software, which can include operating systems and applications
- E.g.:
 - ☐ Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2)
 - ☐Microsoft Azure
 - ☐ Google Compute Engine (GCE)
 - **□**Rackspace

Comparison of the Three Service Models

• Fig. compares the functions implemented by cloud service provider for the three service models

