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Cloud Computing

Agenda:

- Multi-Tenancy
- 4 levels of multi tenancy
- Authentication
- Resource sharing
- Multi-tenant models for cloud services



Multitenancy



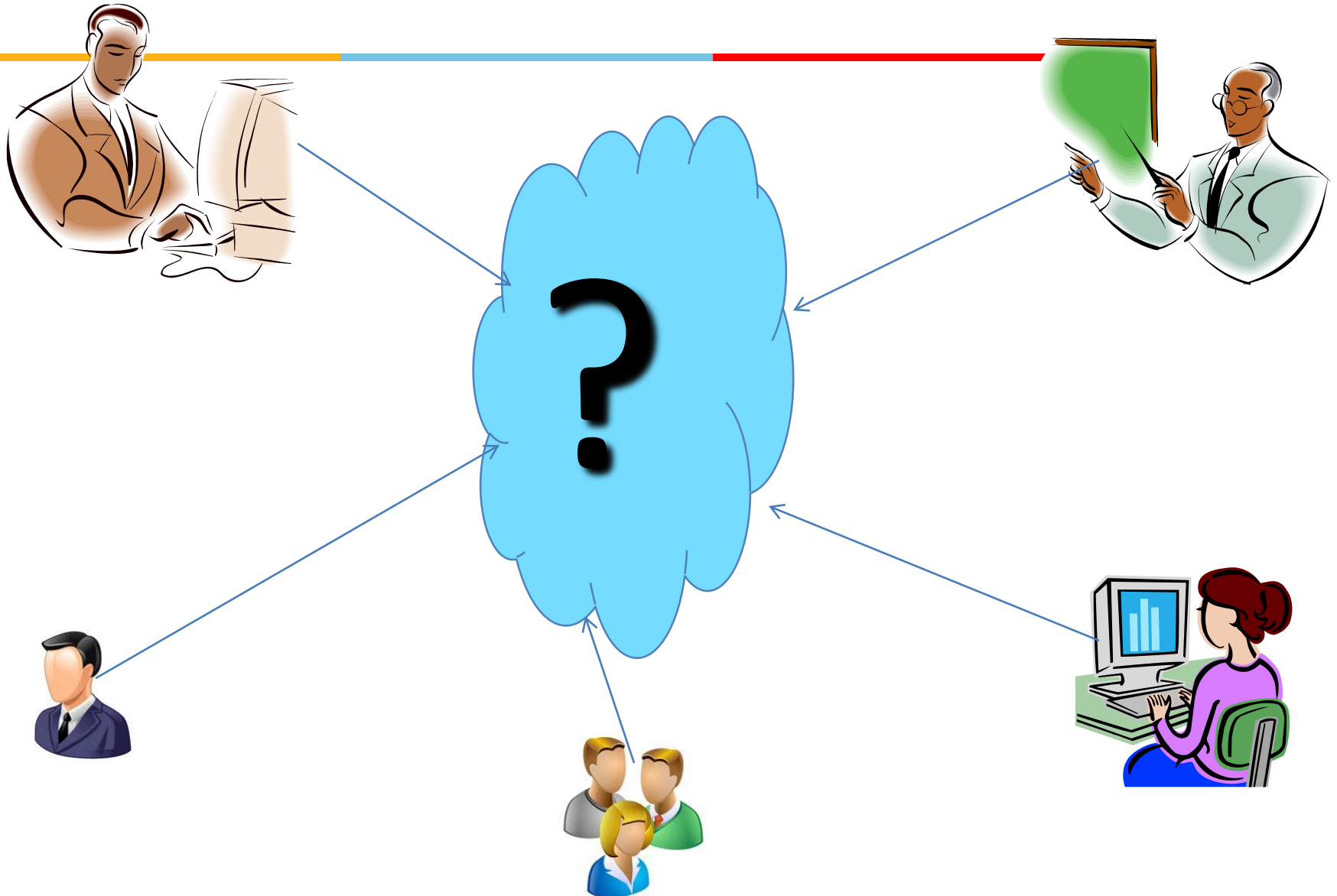
- ❖ Multitenancy refers to a principle in software architecture where **a single instance** of the software runs on a server, **serving multiple client organizations** (tenants).
- ❖ Multitenancy is contrasted with a multi-instance architecture where separate software instances (or hardware systems) are set up for different client organizations
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Multitenancy

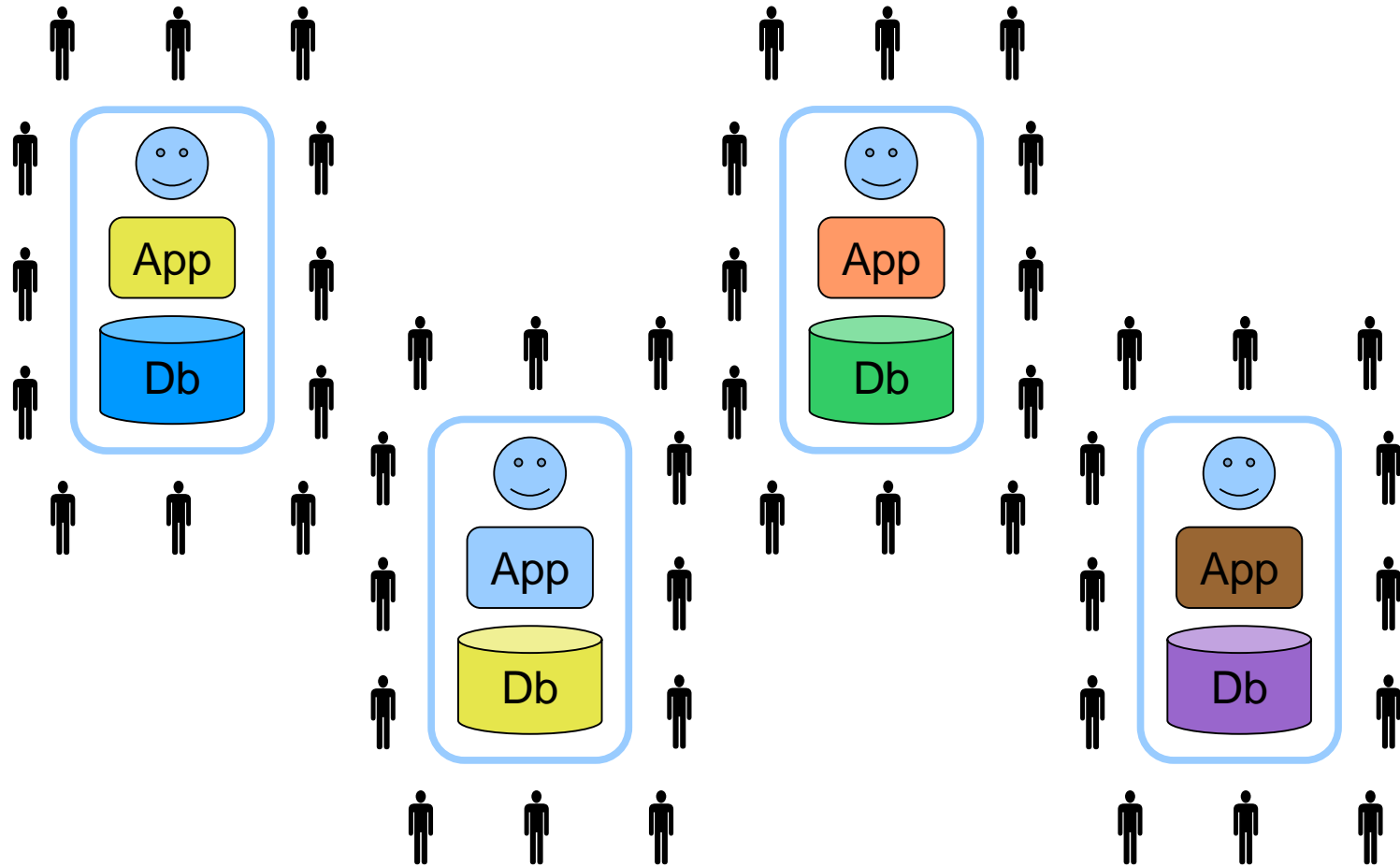


- ❖ Multi-tenancy is a critical technology to allow one instance of application to serve multiple customers by sharing resources.
 - ✓ **Multi** - multiple, independent customers are served
 - ✓ tenant is any legal entity responsible for data and is provided on a contractual basis. Tenant is the contract signee
- ❖ Applications : IaaS, PaaS, SaaS

Requirement of Multitenancy

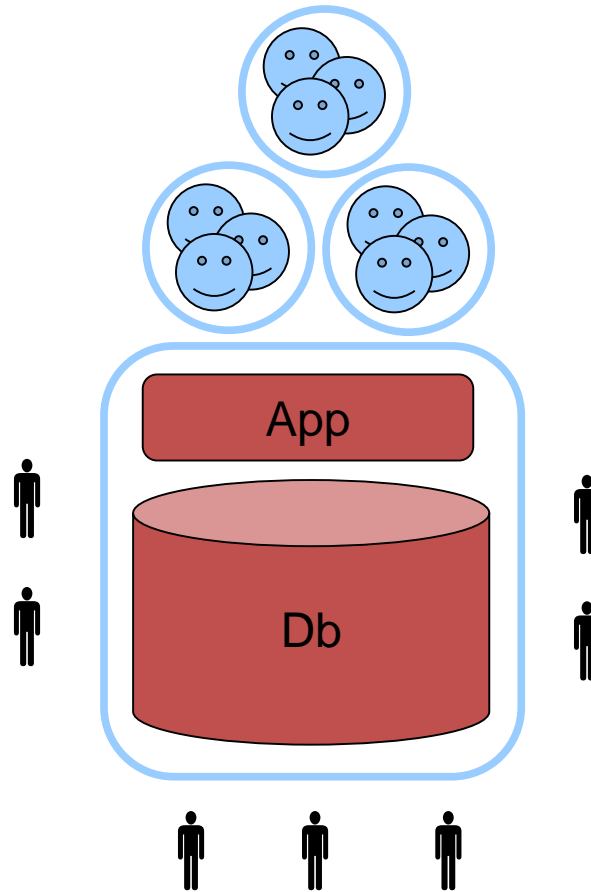


Single tenant applications: lots of waste

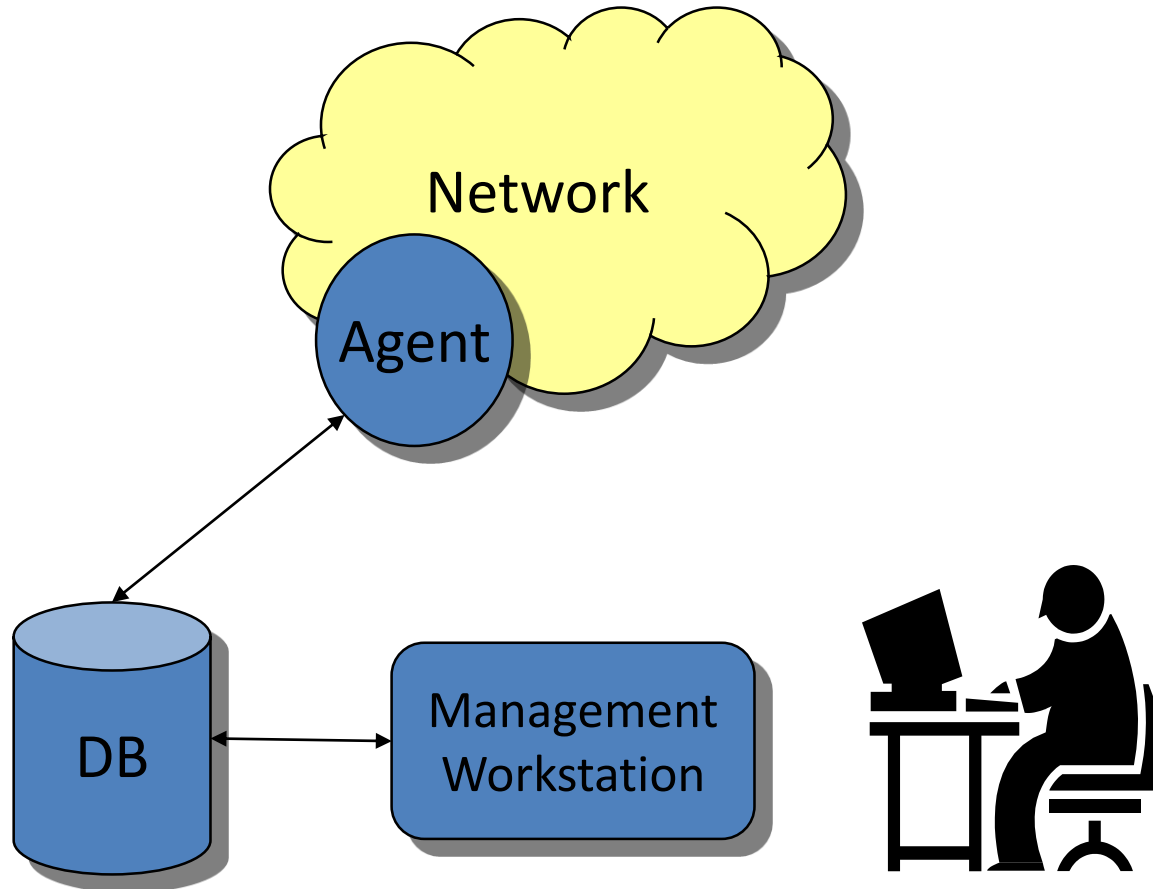


Multi-tenancy benefits are self-evident

But isolation is much easier said than done...



Typical Network Monitoring Infrastructure

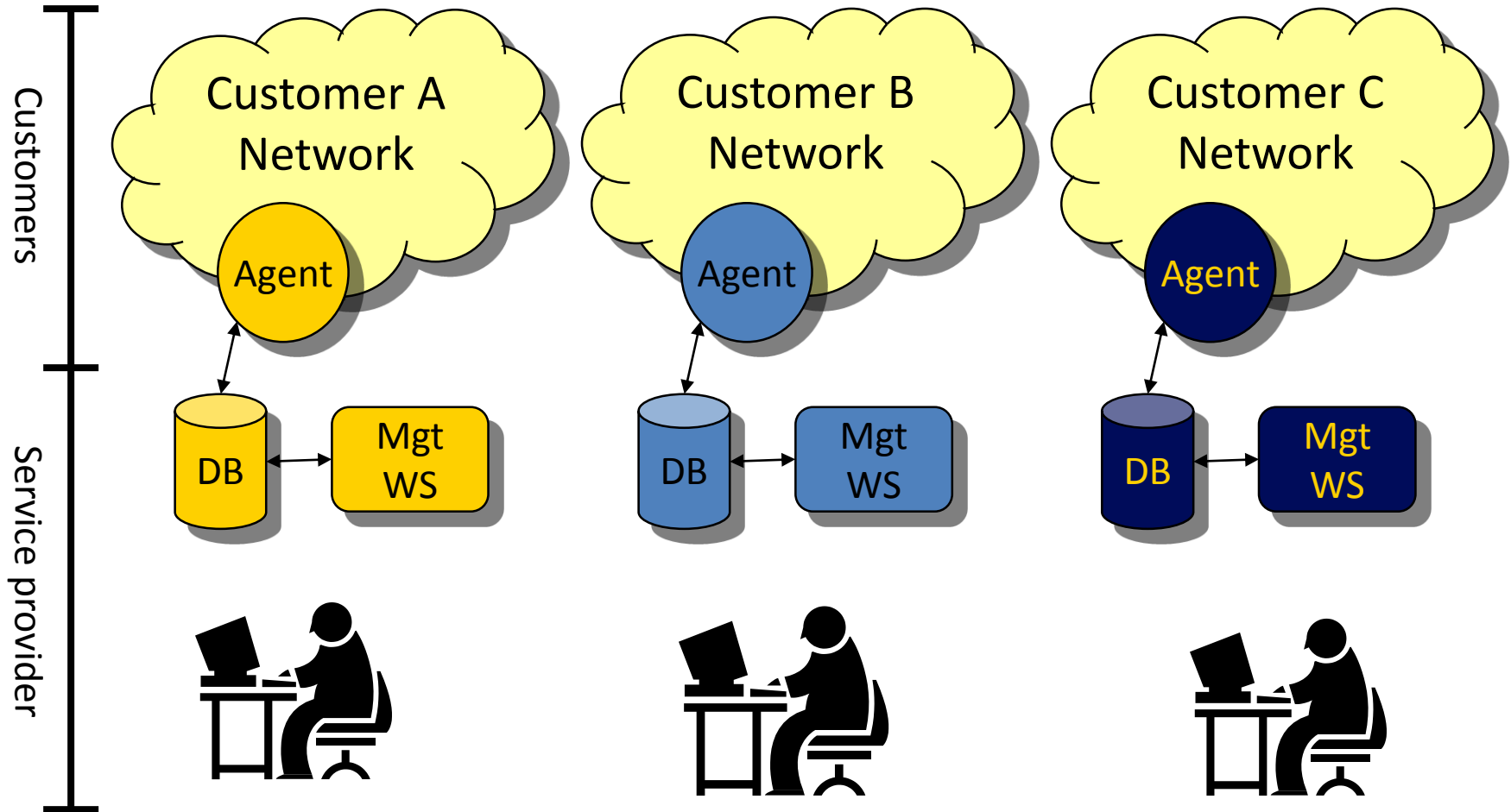


Monitor Multiple Customers Using Typical Infrastructure

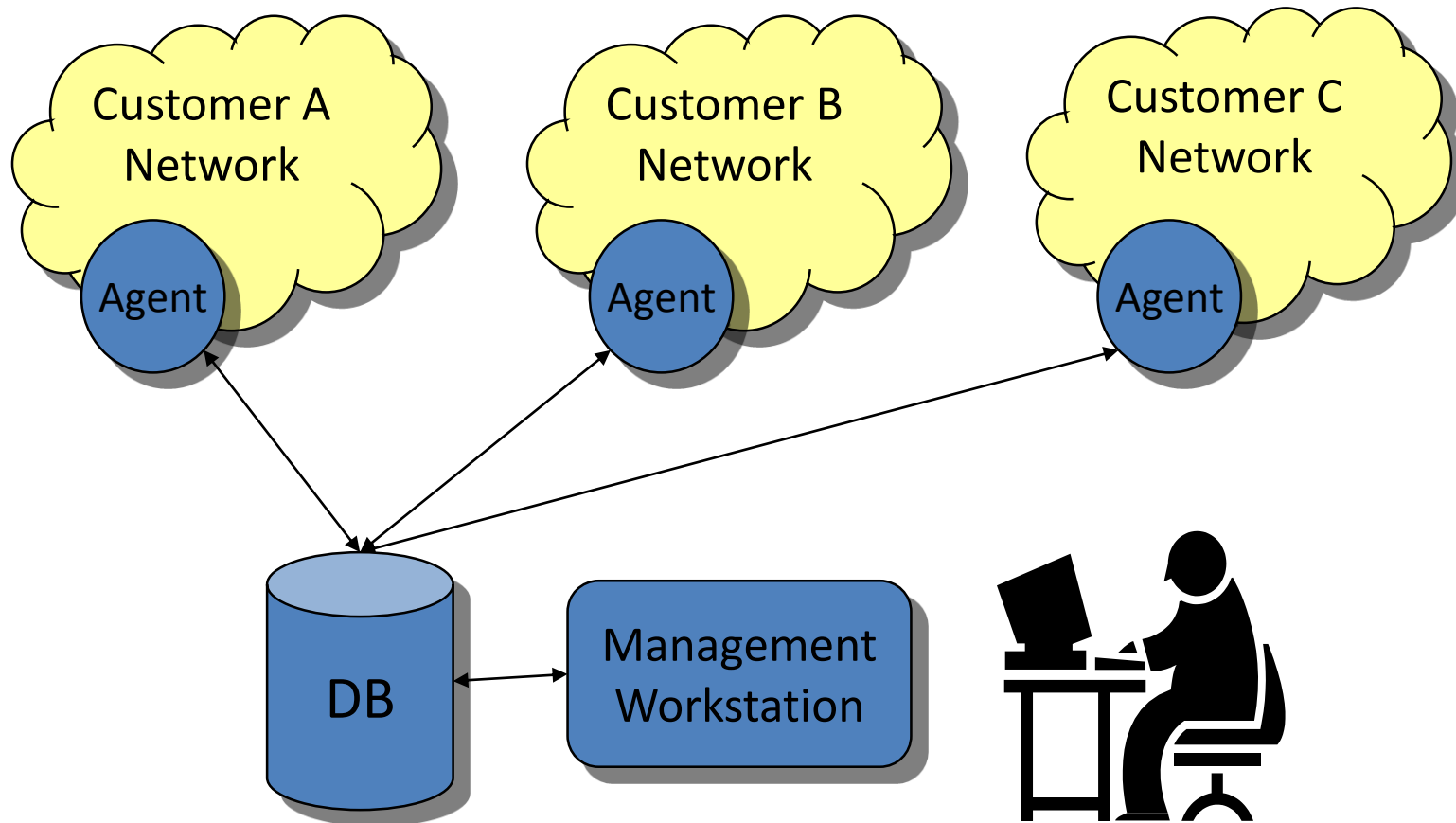
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Multi-Tenant Network Monitoring Infrastructure



Goals of Multi-tenancy



- **Sharing** – maximize the resource sharing across multiple tenants.
- **Isolation** – hide the facts: others are also in the same server.
 - **Execution** – enforce security. Make sure one tenant can't call other tenants executable logic.
 - **Data** – make sure one tenant can't see other data
 - **Performance** - make sure performance is not affected by existence of other tenants.
- **Scale**
 - Server is distributed and it can handle larger load by adding more nodes.



Experiment by Jacob et al.,



- The experiment compares 3 methods of creating a database shared among multiple customers
 - ✓ Shared machine
 - ✓ Shared process
 - ✓ Shared table

Shared machine

- Each customer was given their own database process and tables on a shared machine

Shared process

- Each customer had their own database tables, but there was only one database process which executed instructions on behalf of all customers

Shared table

- In addition to the customers sharing the database process, the data was stored on shared tables
 - ✓ Each row being prefixed with the customer id to indicate the customer to which the row belonged

Shared table example

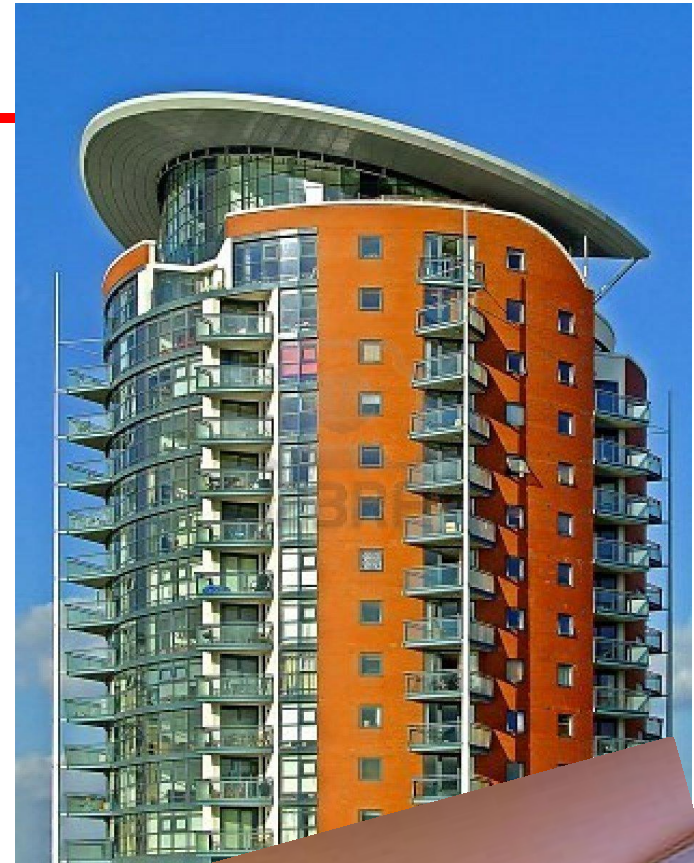
| Account | | | |
|---------|--------|------|-----|
| TenId | AcctId | Name | ... |
| 17 | 1 | Acme | |
| 17 | 2 | Gump | |
| 35 | 1 | Ball | |
| 42 | 1 | Big | |

single instance, multi-tenant

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multi-tenant efficient
customisable
scaleable



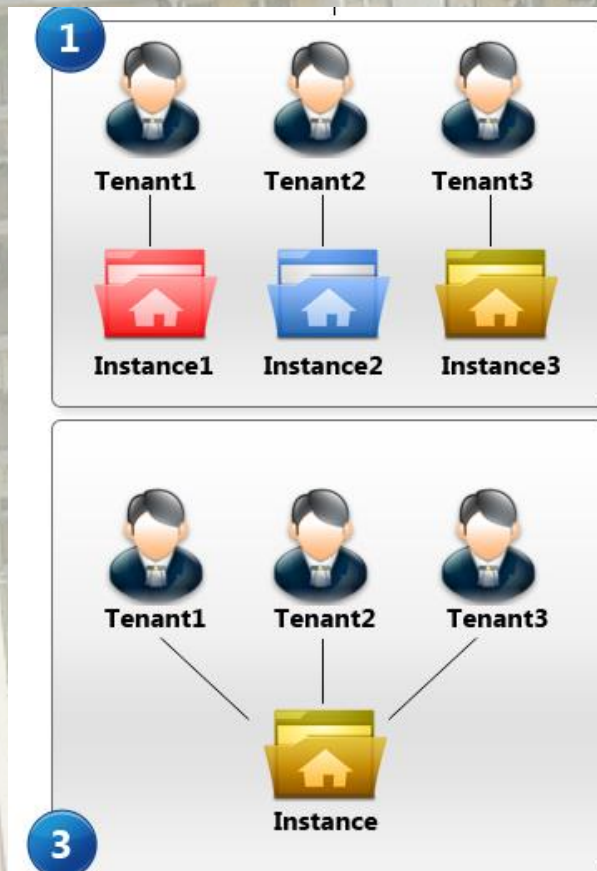
4 levels of multi tenancy

1. Ad-hoc /customizable instances
2. Configurable instances
3. Configurable multi – tenant efficient instances
4. Scalable, configurable, multi-tenant efficient instances

For any given resource in a cloud system, the appropriate level could be selected

Basic SaaS maturity model

1. ad-hoc
/custom



2. configurable
single tenant



3. configurable
multi tenant

4. configurable
multi tenant
(scalable)

Ad-hoc /customizable instances

- ❖ Each customer has their own custom vision of the software
- ❖ Represents a enterprise data center where there are multiple instances and versions of the software
- ❖ Each customer would have their own binaries, as well as their own dedicated processes for implementation of the application
- ❖ **Disadv**: Difficulty in Management: Each customer would need their own management support

Configurable instances

- ❖ All customers share the same vision of the software (one copy for each customer)
- ❖ **adv**: Easy Management: Single copy of the software

Configurable multi-tenant efficient instances

- ❖ All customers share the same version of the software (only single copy among all customers)
- ❖ **adv**: Easy Management: running of only single instance

Configurable multi-tenant efficient instances (scalable)

- ❖ All customers share the same version of the software (only single copy among all customers)
- ❖ Software is hosted on a cluster of computers
- ❖ Hence, allows the capacity of the system to scale almost limitlessly
- ❖ Thus, increase in no. of customers and capacity as well
- ❖ Ex: Gmail, yahoo mail, etc
- ❖ **Disadv**: Shared storage problem



share

VS



isolate

business model (can I monetise?)

architectural model (can I do it?)

operational model (can I guarantee SLAs?)

meta-data



access control

Authentication



- Unlike traditional computer systems, the tenant would specify the valid users, and cloud service provider would authenticate them
- Two basic approaches are used
 - Centralized authentication
 - Decentralized authentication

Authentication (contd..)



Centralized authentication:

- Authentication is performed using a centralized user database
- Cloud admin gives the tenant's admin rights to manage user accounts for that tenant
- Multiple (two) sign-on service (Sign on the CAS, in addition to the tenant's AS)
- Given self service nature of the cloud, it is more generally used

Decentralized authentication:

- Each tenant maintains their own user database, and needs to deploy a federation service that interface between that tenant's authentication framework and the cloud system's authentication service
- Single sign-on service

Resource sharing



- Two major resources that need to be shared are storage and servers
- **Sharing storage resources (two types)**
 - ✓ File system
 - ✓ Databases
- Since file system storage is well known mechanism, we will restrict our discussion to database storage

There are two methods of sharing data in a single database

- ✓ *Dedicated tables per tenant*
- ✓ *Shared table*

Dedicated tables per tenant:

- ❖ Each tenant stores their data in a separate set of tables different from other tenants
- ❖ ex: www.mygarage.com portal
- ❖ Shows the way auto repair stores may store each table as separate file

Dedicated tables per tenant:



Best garage

| Car license | Service | Cost |
|-------------|---------|------|
| | | |
| | | |

Friendly garage

| Car license | Service | Cost |
|-------------|---------|------|
| | | |
| | | |

Honest garage

| Car license | Service | Cost |
|-------------|---------|------|
| | | |
| | | |

Shared table:



- ❖ The data for all the tenant is stored in the same table in different rows.
- ❖ One of the column in the table identifies a tenant to which a particular row belongs
- ❖ It is more space efficient than previous approach
- ❖ A auxiliary table, called a metadata table, stores information about the tenants

Shared table (contd..)



Data table 1

| Tenant ID | Car license | Repair | Cost |
|-----------|-------------|--------|------|
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 1 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| 2 | | | |

Metadata table 1

| Tenant ID | Data |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 1 | Best garage |
| 2 | Friendly garage |
| 3 | Honest garage |

Data customization



- ❖ It is important for the cloud infrastructure to support customization of the stored data, since it is likely that different tenants may want to store different data in their tables
- ❖ In *Dedicated table* method, each tenant has their own table, and therefore can have different schema
- ❖ Difficulty is with shared table approach
- ❖ Three methods used
 - ✓ Pre-allocated columns
 - ✓ Name-value pair
 - ✓ XML method

Pre-allocated columns

- ❖ Space is reserved in the tables for custom columns, which can be used by tenants for defining new columns
- ❖ Salesforce.com reserves 500 columns
- ❖ Some of the tenants may not use these columns

Disadv: There could be a lot of wasted space

Pre-allocated columns



| Tenant ID | Car license | Service | Cost | Custom1 | Custom2 |
|-----------|-------------|---------|------|---------|---------|
| 1 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | |

Data table 1

| Tenant ID | Tenant name | Custom1 name | Custom1 type |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1 | Best garage | Service rating | int |
| 2 | Friendly garage | Service manager | string |
| 3 | Honest garage | | |

Metadata table 1

Name-value pair

- ❖ The standard table will have an extra column which is a pointer to a table of name-value pair, which indicates additional custom fields for a record
- ❖ The table name-value pair is also called as a **pivot table**
- ❖ This method overcomes the deficiencies of storage wastage from previous method

Name-value pair (contd..)



| Tenant ID | Car license | Service | Cost | Name-value pair record |
|-----------|-------------|---------|------|------------------------|
| 1 | | | | 275 |
| 2 | | | | |
| 2 | | | | |
| 1 | | | | |
| 3 | | | | |
| 2 | | | | |

Data table 1

| Name-value pair | Name ID | Value |
|-----------------|---------|-------|
| 275 | 15 | 5.5 |
| | | |

Data table 2

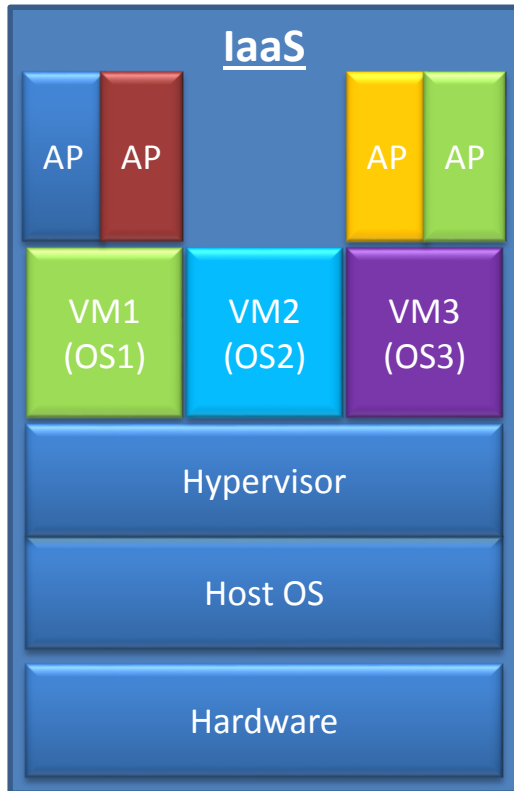
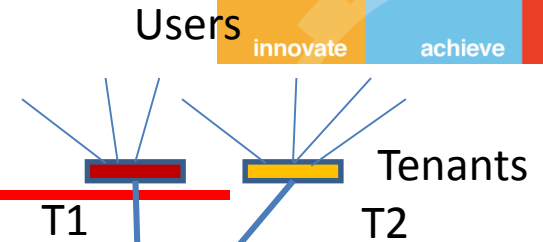
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| Name ID | Name | Type |
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| 15 | Service rating | int |
| | Service manager | string |
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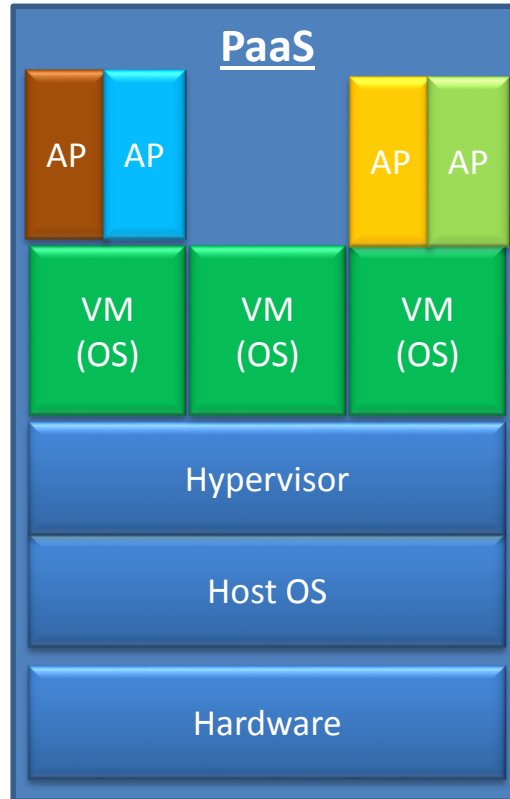
Metadata table 2

| Tenant ID | Data |
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| 3 | Honest garage |

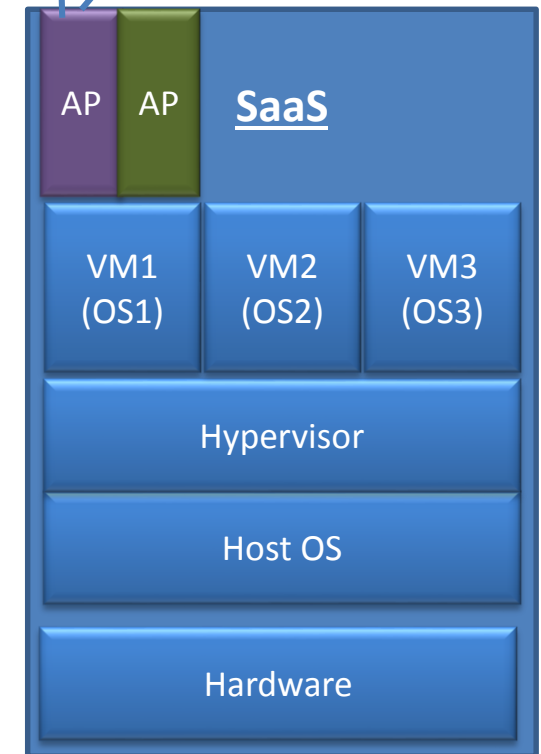
Multi-tenant models for cloud services



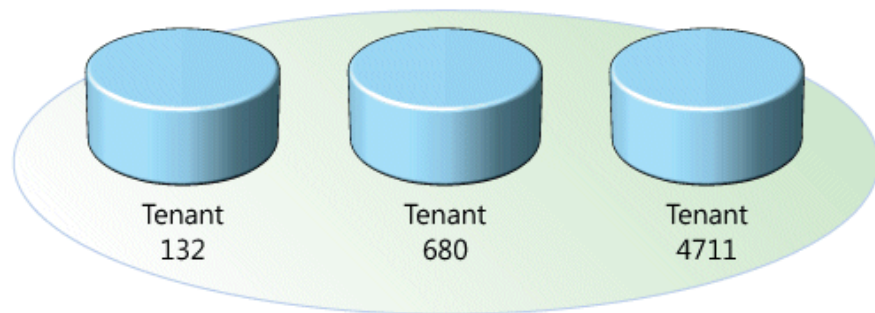
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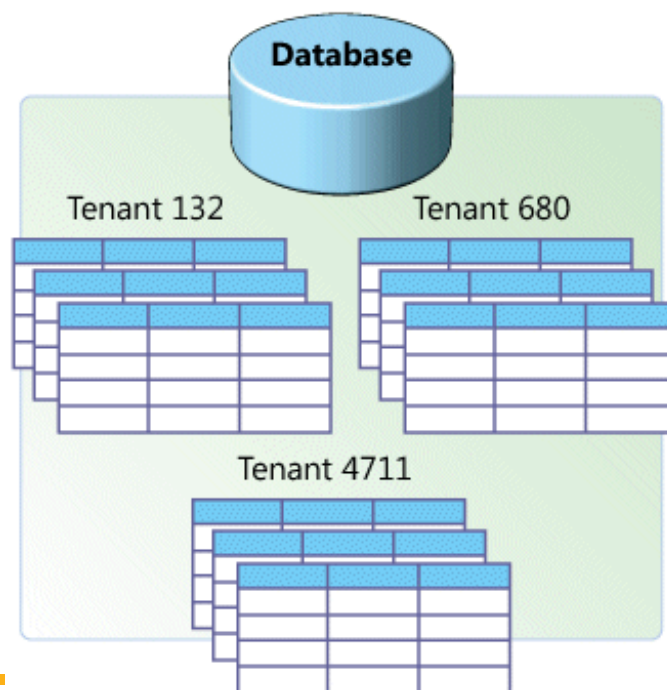
Development center



Data center



| TenantID | CustName | Address |
|----------|----------|------------|
| 4 | TenantID | ProductID |
| 1 | 4 | TenantID |
| 6 | 1 | 4711 |
| 4 | 6 | 132 |
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Summary



- Multi-Tenancy
- 4 levels of multi tenancy
- Authentication
- Resource sharing
- Multi-tenant models for cloud services