

# Cloud computing - Introduction

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# Fundamentals on cloud computing

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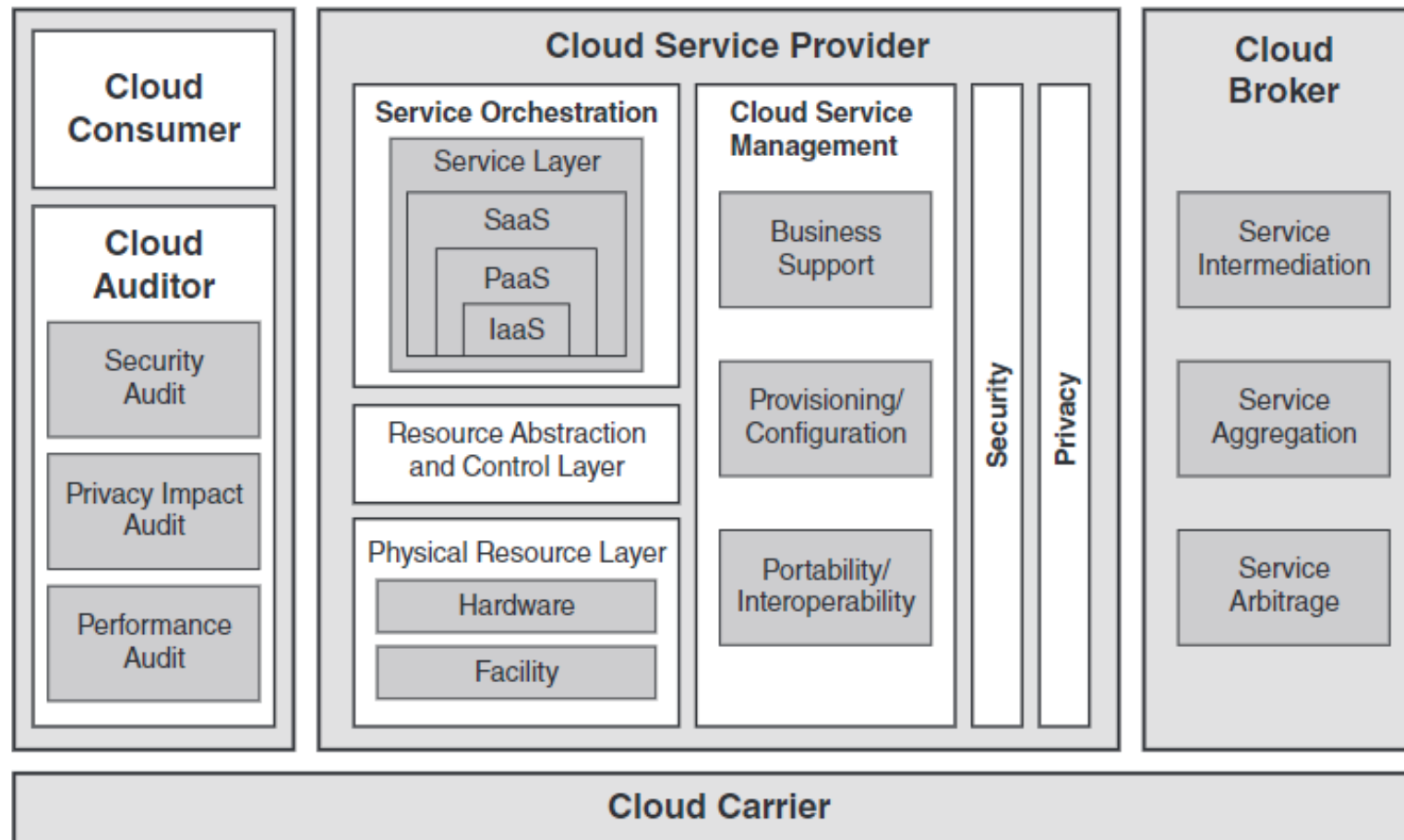


*“Cloud computing is a **model** for enabling **ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand** network access to a shared pool of **configurable computing resources** (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly **provisioned and released** with minimal management effort or service provider interaction.*

*This cloud model is composed of **five** essential characteristics, **three** service models, and **four** deployment models.”*

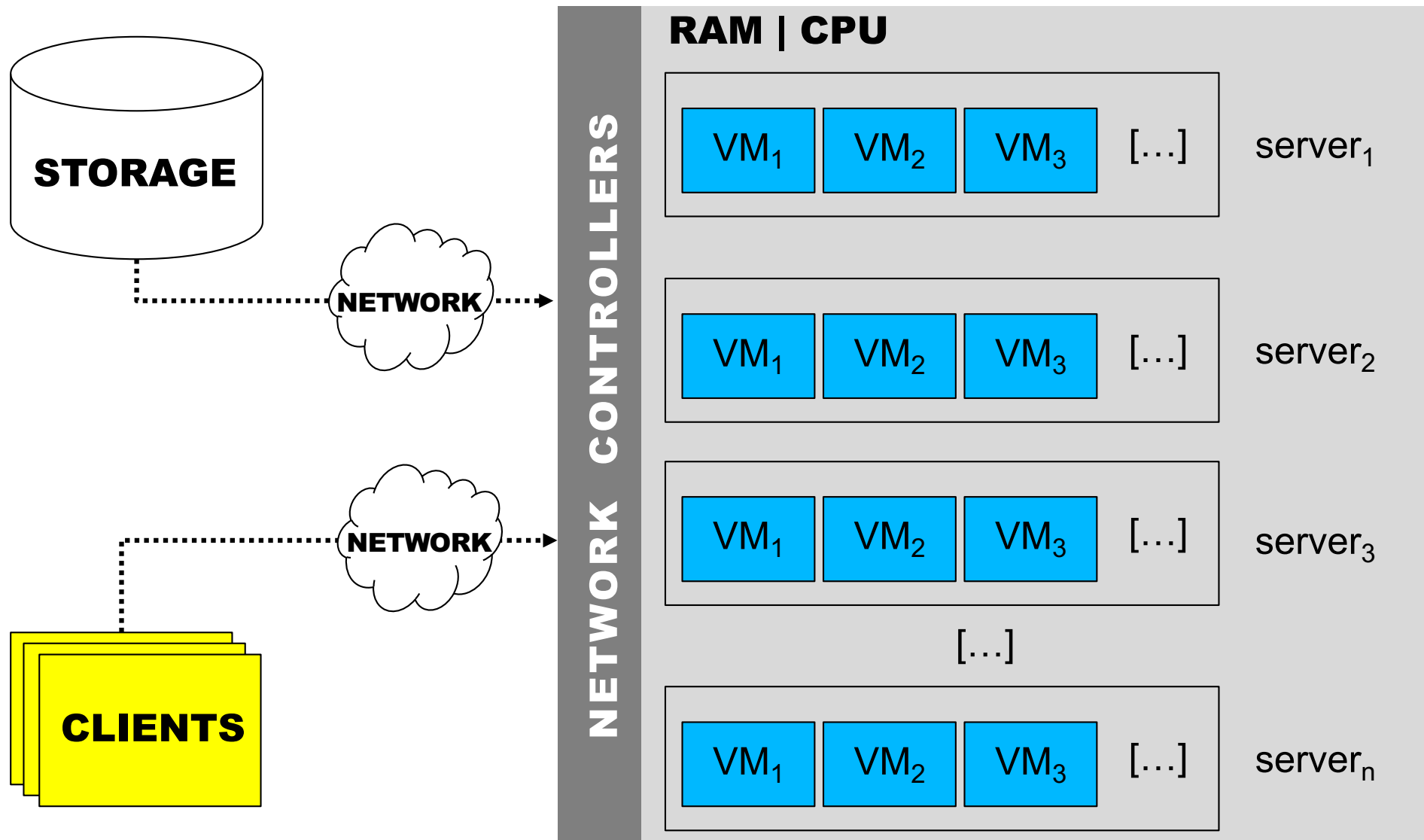
<sup>1</sup> The NIST Definition of Cloud Computing; <http://csrc.nist.gov/>.

# Fundamentals on cloud computing



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# Fundamentals on cloud computing



# Fundamentals on cloud computing - challenges

- **Investment on IT infrastructure** CAPEX versus OPEX

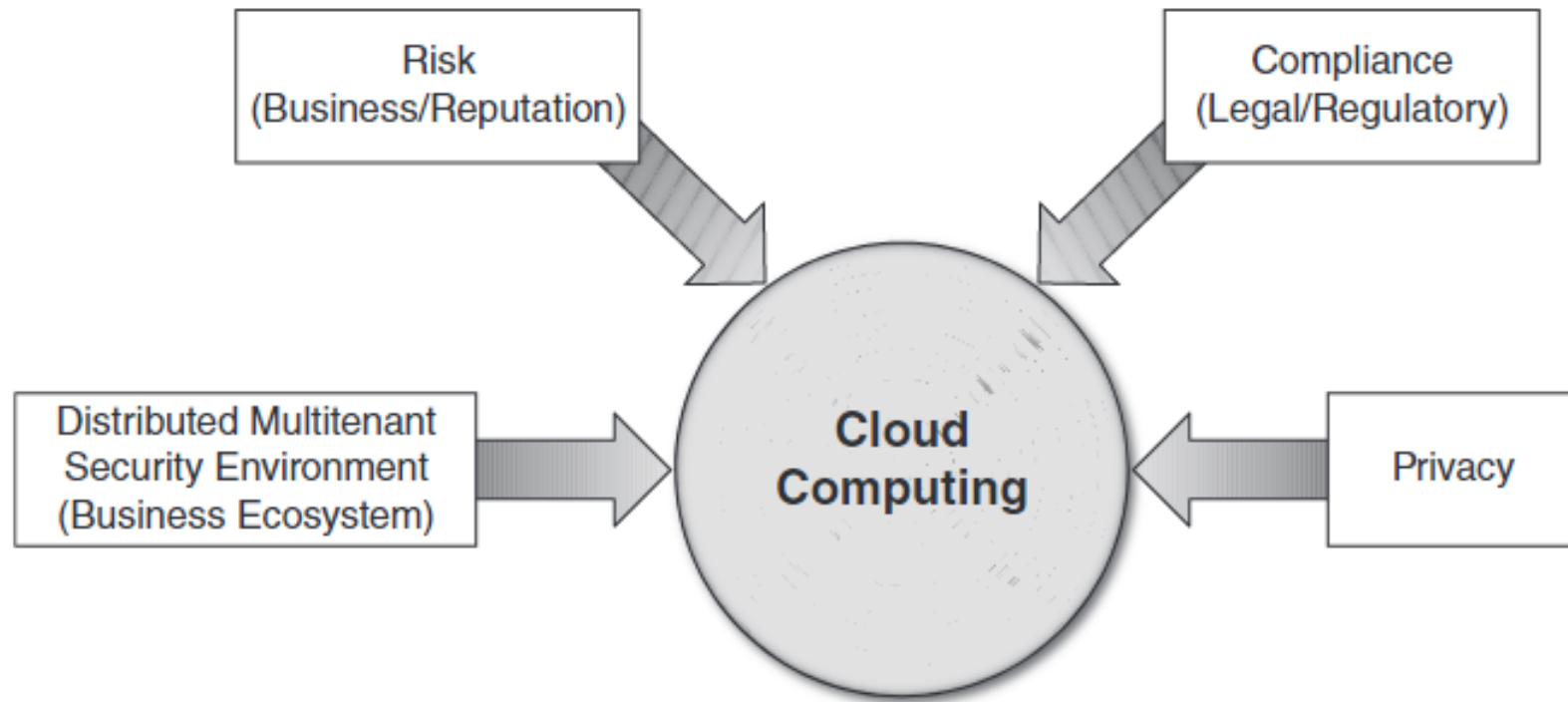
- **The desire to reduce IT complexity**
  - Risk reduction
  - Scalability
  - Elasticity

- **Consumption-based pricing**
  - Risk reduction
  - Elasticity

- **Business agility**
  - Mobility
  - Collaboration and innovation

# Fundamentals on cloud computing

## Security, risks and compliance



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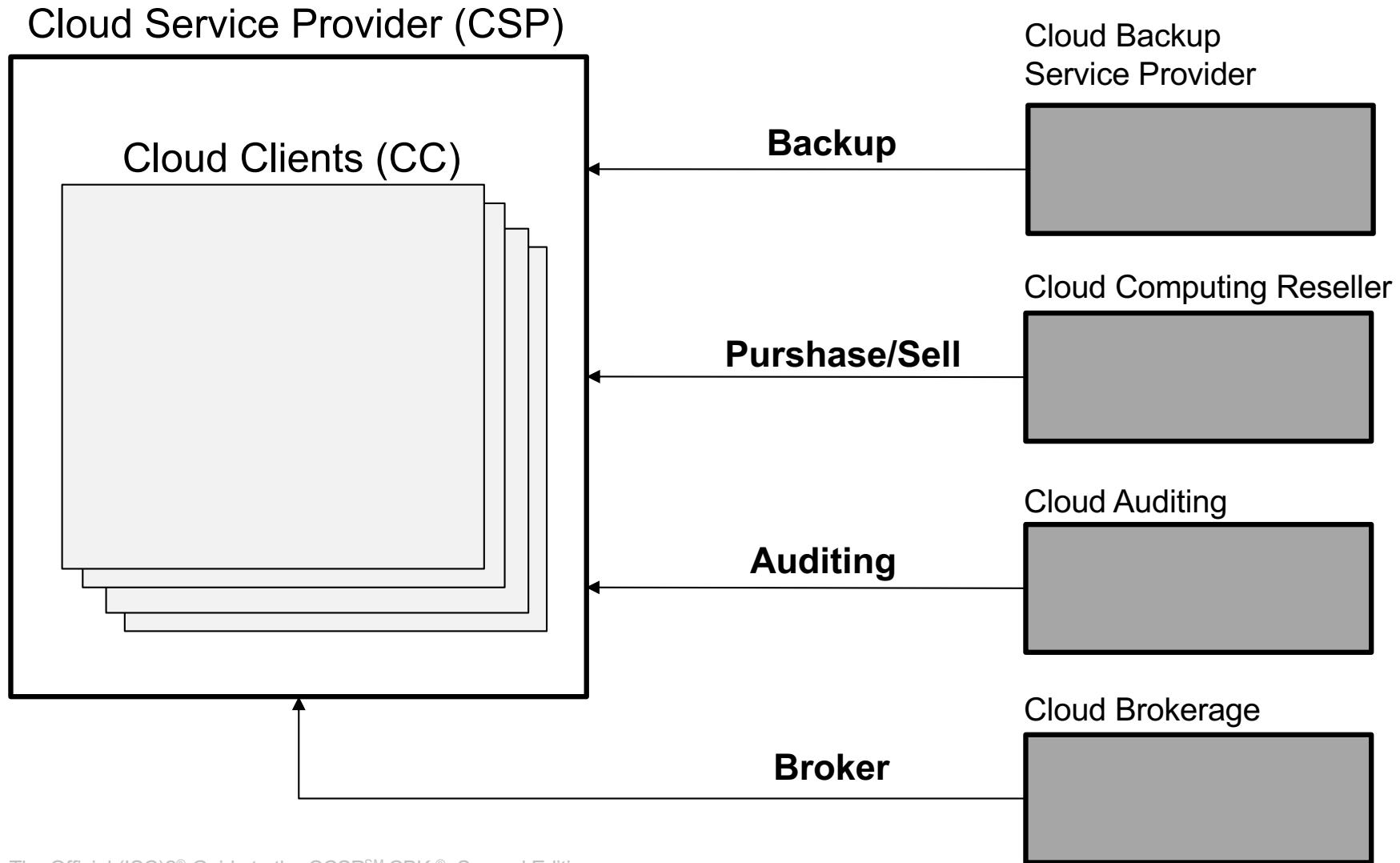
# Fundamentals on cloud computing

Cloud  $\neq$  {  
technology itself  
only virtualization

Cloud = {  
is “real” and exists  
has a known geographic location

Cloud = {  
Abstract concept and IT model  
IT technology independent ...  
... but grounded on real IT resources

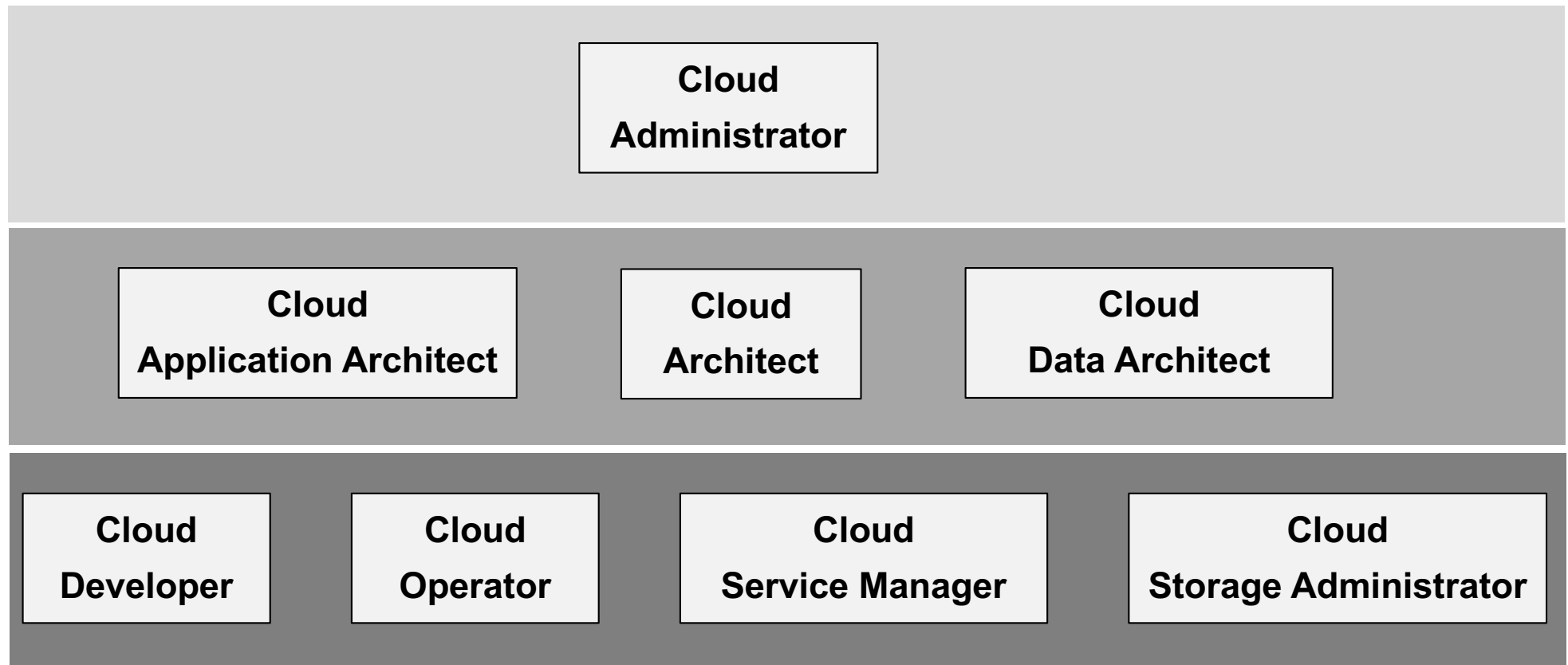
# Cloud roles



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# Cloud functions



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# Fundamentals on cloud computing

## Five characteristics

- *On-demand self service*
- *Broad network access*
- *Resource pooling*
- *Rapid elasticity*
- *Measured service*

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<http://csrc.nist.gov/>

## Three service models

- *Software as a Service (SaaS)*
- *Platform as a Service (PaaS)*
- *Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)*
- *\*aaS*

## Four implementation models

- *Private cloud*
- *Public cloud*
- *Hybrid cloud*
- *Community cloud*

**5 x 3 x 4**

Characteristics

Services

Implementations

# Service models

**IaaS** - Infrastructure as a Service

**PaaS** – Platform as a Service

**SaaS** – Software as a Service

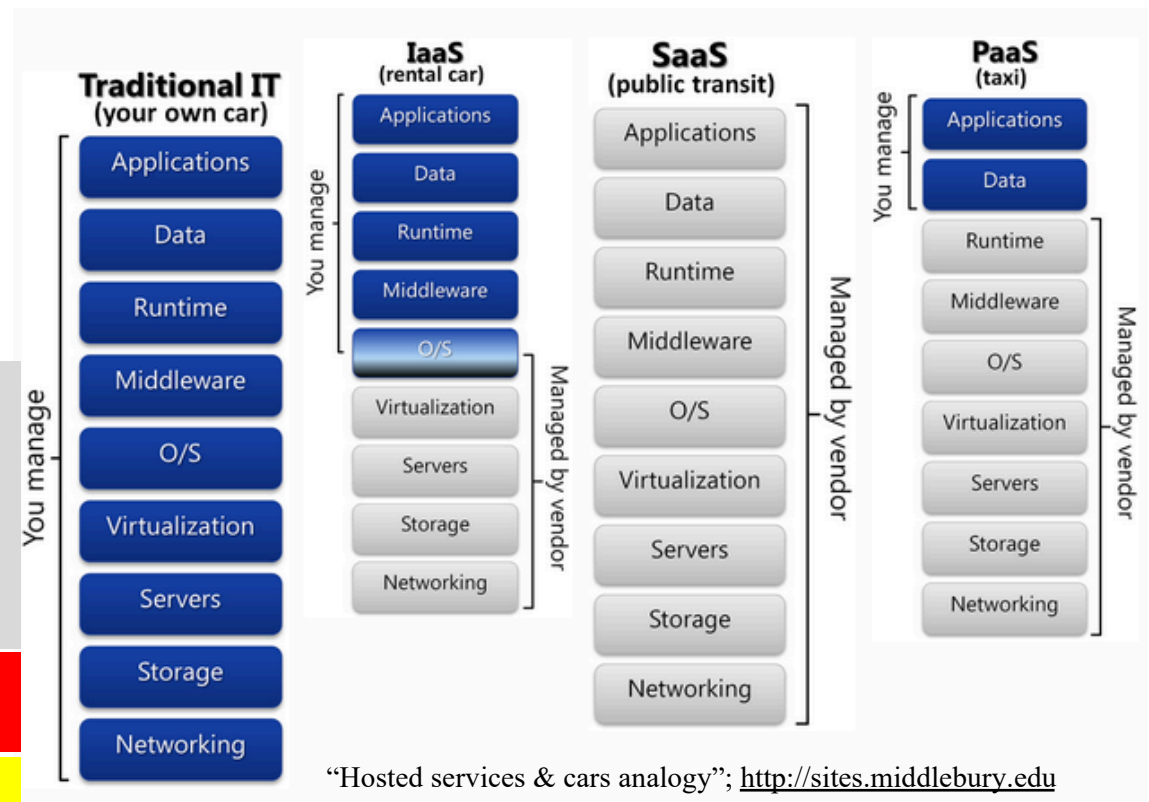
**DBaaS** – Database as a Service

**BaaS** – Billing as a Service

**NaaS** – Network as a Service

**MaaS** – Malware as a Service

**\*aaS** – “anything” as a Service



How strong is your level of “independence“ from the cloud provider?

What is being managed by you, *versus* by the cloud provider?

# Service models – IaaS

- **Resources made available by cloud provider:**
  - Almost everything!
  - Install and to manage computational fundamental resources: storage, memory, CPU and network
  - Install and to run programs: OS and applications
  - Control over OS and some IP networking configurations
- **User controls everything but the hardware used.**

# Service models – IaaS - providers

Amazon Web Services <a href="http://aws.amazon.com">aws.amazon.com</a>	8 zonas (4 continentes)	EC2 ( <i>compute</i> ), S3 ( <i>storage</i> )	0,0500 € ou \$ 0,0650 para 1.7 GM RAM, 1 CPU, 160 GB DISK
Rackspace Cloud <a href="http://www.rackspacecloud.com">www.rackspacecloud.com</a>	3 zonas (3 continentes)	Cloud Servers, Cloud Files	0,0170 € ou \$ 0,0220 para 0.5 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 20 GB DISK
HP Cloud <a href="http://www.hpcloud.com">www.hpcloud.com</a>	2 zonas (1 continente)	Cloud Compute, Cloud Object Storage	0,0307 € ou \$ 0,0400 para 1 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 30 GB DISK
GoGrid <a href="http://www.gogrid.com">www.gogrid.com</a>	3 zonas (2 continentes)	Cloud Servers, Cloud Storage	0,0307 € ou \$ 0,0400 para 0.5 GB RAM, 0.5 CPU, 25 GB DISK
Lunacloud <a href="http://www.lunacloud.com">www.lunacloud.com</a>	2 zonas (1 continente)	Cloud Servers, Cloud Storage	0,0155 € ou \$ 0,0200 para 0.5 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 10 GB DISK
Joyent <a href="http://www.joyent.com">www.joyent.com</a>	4 zonas (2 continentes)	SmartMachine	0,0230 € ou \$ 0,0300 para 0.5 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 15 GB DISK
ElasticHosts <a href="http://www.elastichosts.com">www.elastichosts.com</a>	1 zona (1 continente)	Cloud Hosting	0,0920 € ou \$ 0,1200 para 1 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 10 GB DISK
Microsoft Azure <a href="http://www.azure.microsoft.com">www.azure.microsoft.com</a>	17 zonas (4 continentes)	Virtual Machines Storage	0,0144 € ou \$ 0,0180 para 0.75 GB RAM, 1 CPU, 30 GB DISK

**EC2** – Elastic Compute Cloud

Cloud regions and zones

António Miguel Ferreira;  
“Introdução ao Cloud Computing”;  
FCA; ISBN: 978-972-722-802-7; 2015  
(Portuguese)

# Service models – IaaS - providers

## Gartner's *Magic Quadrant* for IaaS cloud providers 2019 2020



Source: Gartner (July 2019)

Quadrant for service models also available at <http://www.gartner.com>.

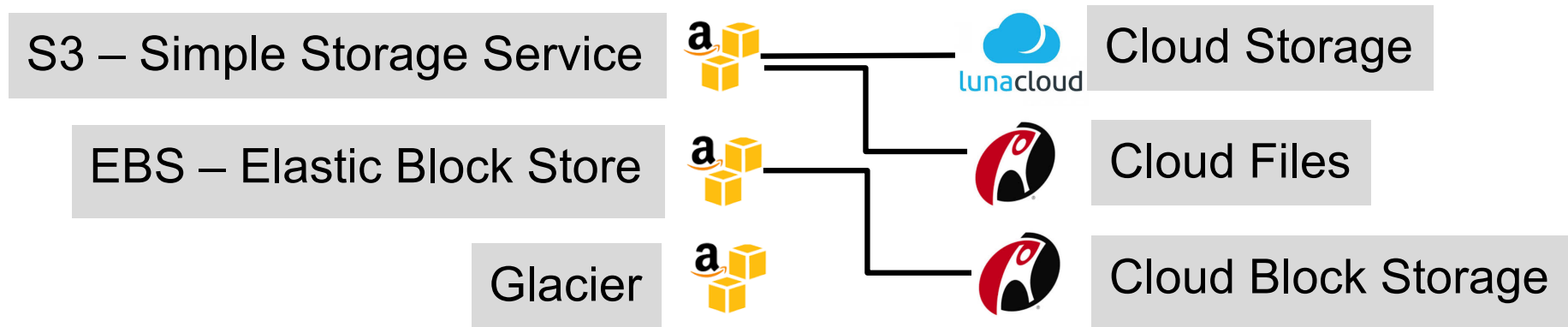


# Service models – IaaS - nomenclature

- **Main characteristics of storage in the cloud:**

- Speed
- Resiliency
- Accessibility
- Measured in GB

- **About nomenclature:**



# Service models – IaaS - interoperability

- Each provider has its own API for management and development
- Conventional method: web interface

**Problems** – each provider has its own API

**Effect** – migration between cloud providers becomes hard. Need to deal with different APIs.

**Solution** – To adopt ongoing standard APIs and access methods, like Openstack used with REST API. 

To use *cloud brokers* and *cloud aggregators*





# Service models – PaaS

- **Resources made available by cloud provider:**
  - In house developed applications or purchased software packages
  - Programming languages compilers and libraries
  - Software versioning and revision control system
  - Aim: to use cloud as a software development platform
- **User has very little control over cloud infrastructure.**

# Service models – PaaS - providers

Services and Platforms			
Heroku <a href="http://www.heroku.com">www.heroku.com</a>	AWS USA (1 continente)	Ruby, Node.js, Clojure, Java, Python, Scala, Postgres, Mongo, Hadoop, etc.	\$ 0,05/hora para 1 processo + \$ 9/mês para 1 base de dados
Nodejitsu <a href="http://www.nodejitsu.com">www.nodejitsu.com</a>	Joyent USA (1 continente)	Node.js	\$ 2,5/mês para 1 processo
Google App Engine <a href="http://www.appengine.google.com">www.appengine.google.com</a>	13 zonas (4 continentes)	Java, Python, Go	\$ 0,05/hora para 1 app
CloudBees <a href="http://www.cloudbees.com">www.cloudbees.com</a>	AWS USA, Europa, HP (3 continentes)	Java	\$ 60/mês para 5 GB de código e 2 processos
Appfog <a href="http://www.appfog.com">www.appfog.com</a>	AWS USA, Europa, Ásia, Rackspace, HP, Azure (3 continentes)	Java, Scala, Python, Node.js, PHP, Ruby, Erlang, MongoDB, MySQL, Postgres	\$ 20/mês para 8 processos, até 2 GB RAM e 250 MB dados
dotCloud <a href="http://www.dotcloud.com">www.dotcloud.com</a>	AWS USA (1 continente)	PHP, Node.js, Python, Ruby, Perl, Java, MySQL, MongoDB, Postgres	\$ 8,64/mês
OpenShift <a href="http://www.openshift.com">www.openshift.com</a>	AWS USA (1 continente)	PHP, Node.js, Python, Ruby, Java	\$ 0,02/hora

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# Service models – SaaS

- **Resources made available by cloud provider:**
  - Applications stored on the cloud.
  - Applications accessed through HTTP, usually via web browser
  - Billing (examples): storage, number of accounts, duration and/or functionalities provided
- **User has no control over the cloud applications. Little control on some configuration features.**

# Service models – SaaS - providers

Google Apps



Microsoft Office365



iCloud



Mailchimp



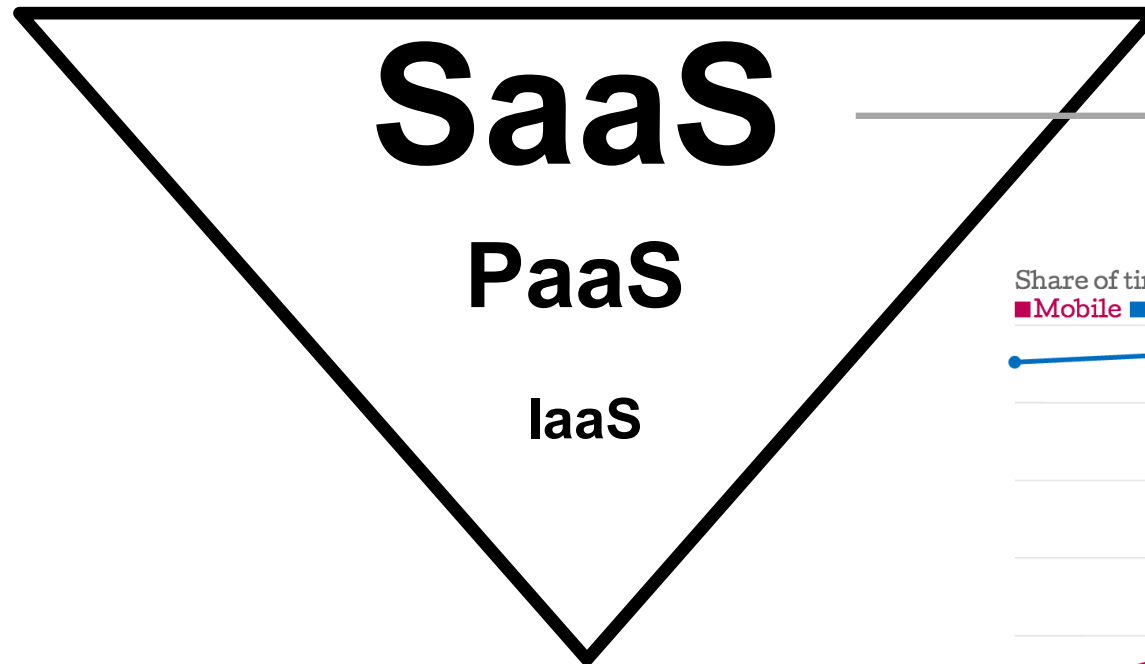
SAP BusinessOne



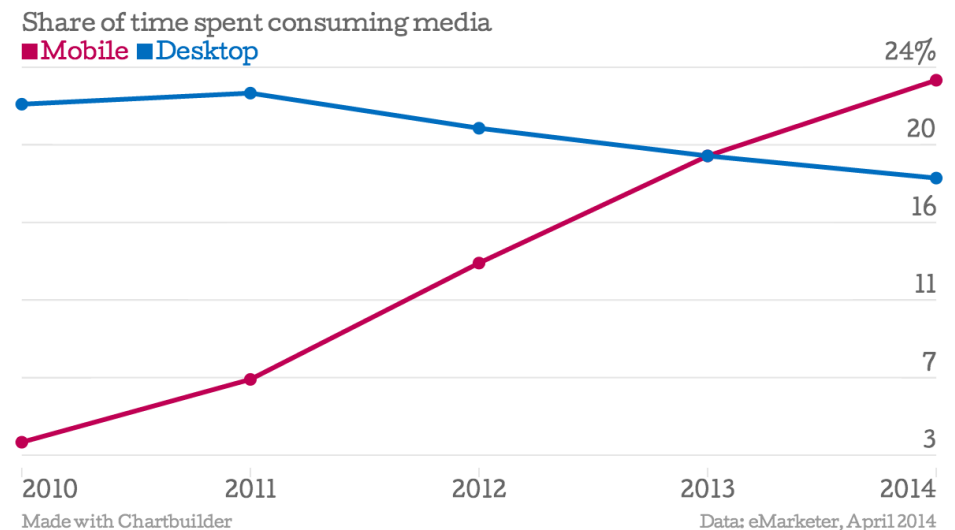
ServiceNow – Troubleshooting **servicenow**

LogicMonitor – IT infrastructure monitoring **LogicMonitor**

# Service models – a market perspective

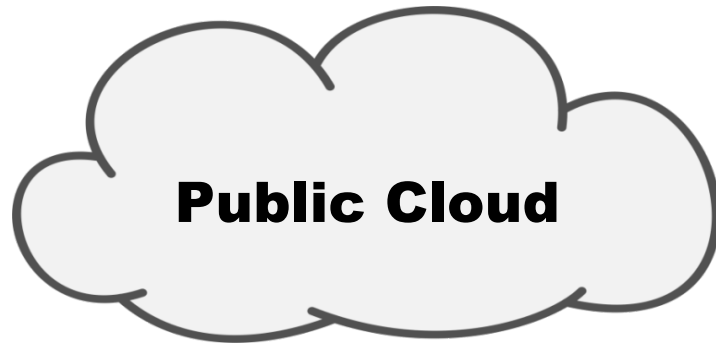


Biggest growth potential  
Biggest market value



**Why?** Mainly due to growing development for mobile devices iOS e Android:  
Examples: Google Apps, Evernote, Dropbox, Facebook, Shazam

# Implementation models

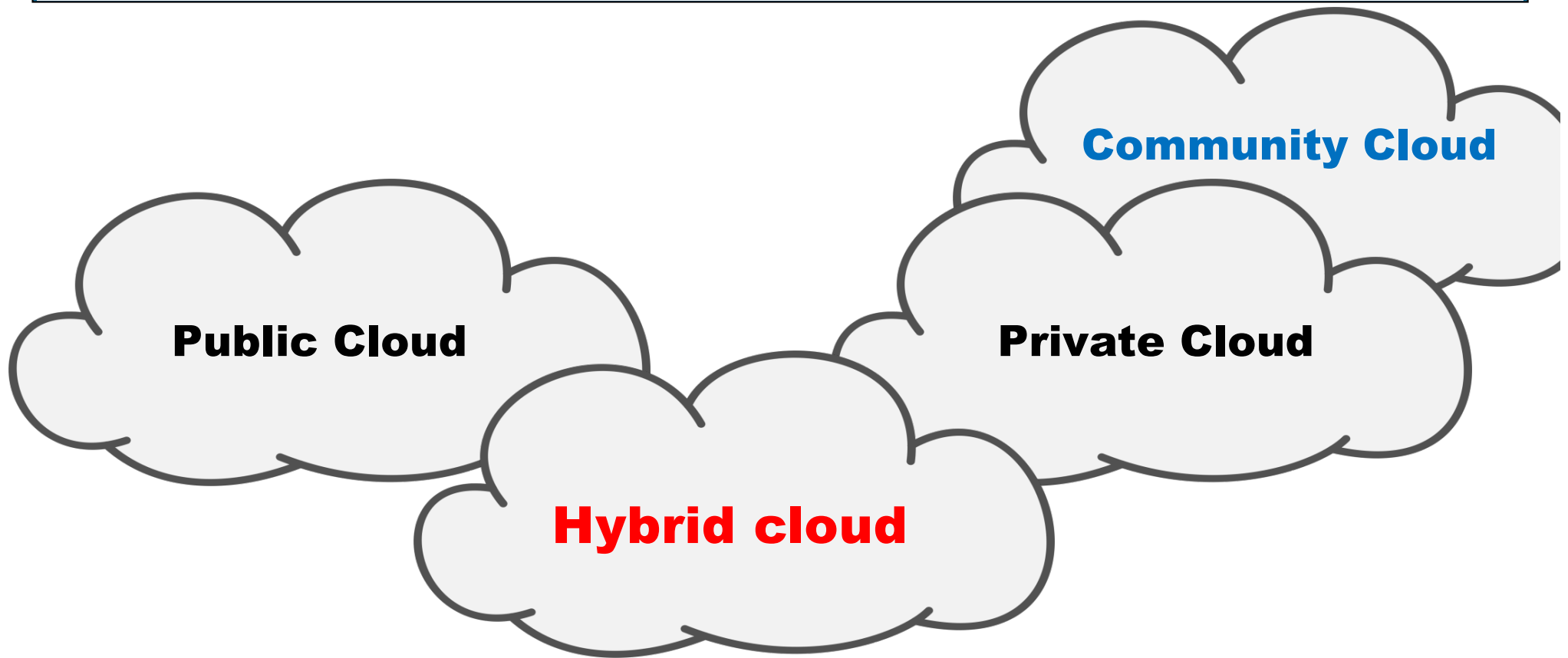


- Multiple clients
- Configured in a public Datacenter
- Shared infrastructure
- Access over web
- Low security
- Low cost in a “pay per use” basis
- “Do it yourself”



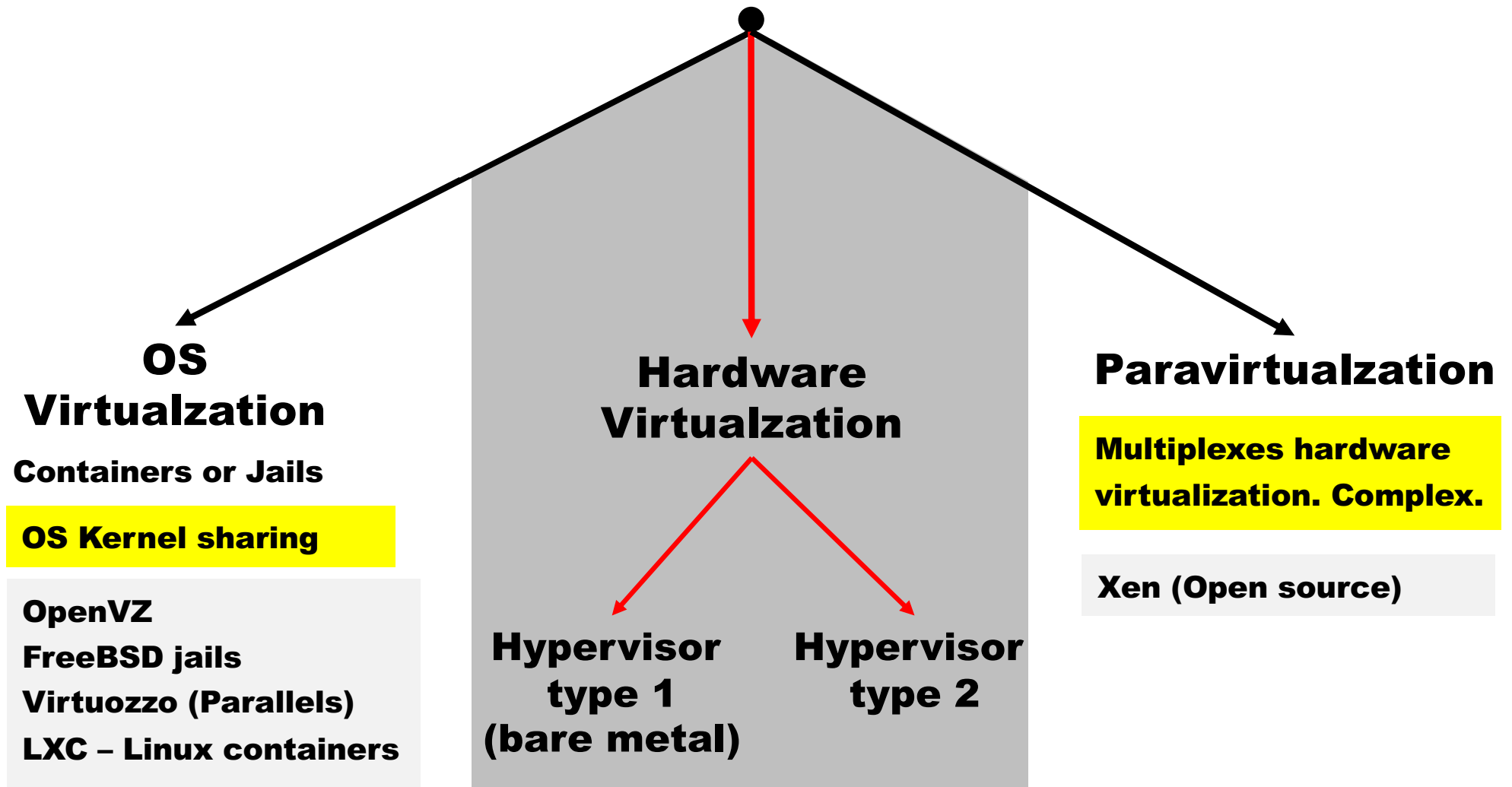
- Single-tenant solution
- Setup as a Virtual Private Datacenter
- Dedicated servers
- Access over secure private networks
- High security
- High TCO
- Custom solutions

# Implementation models



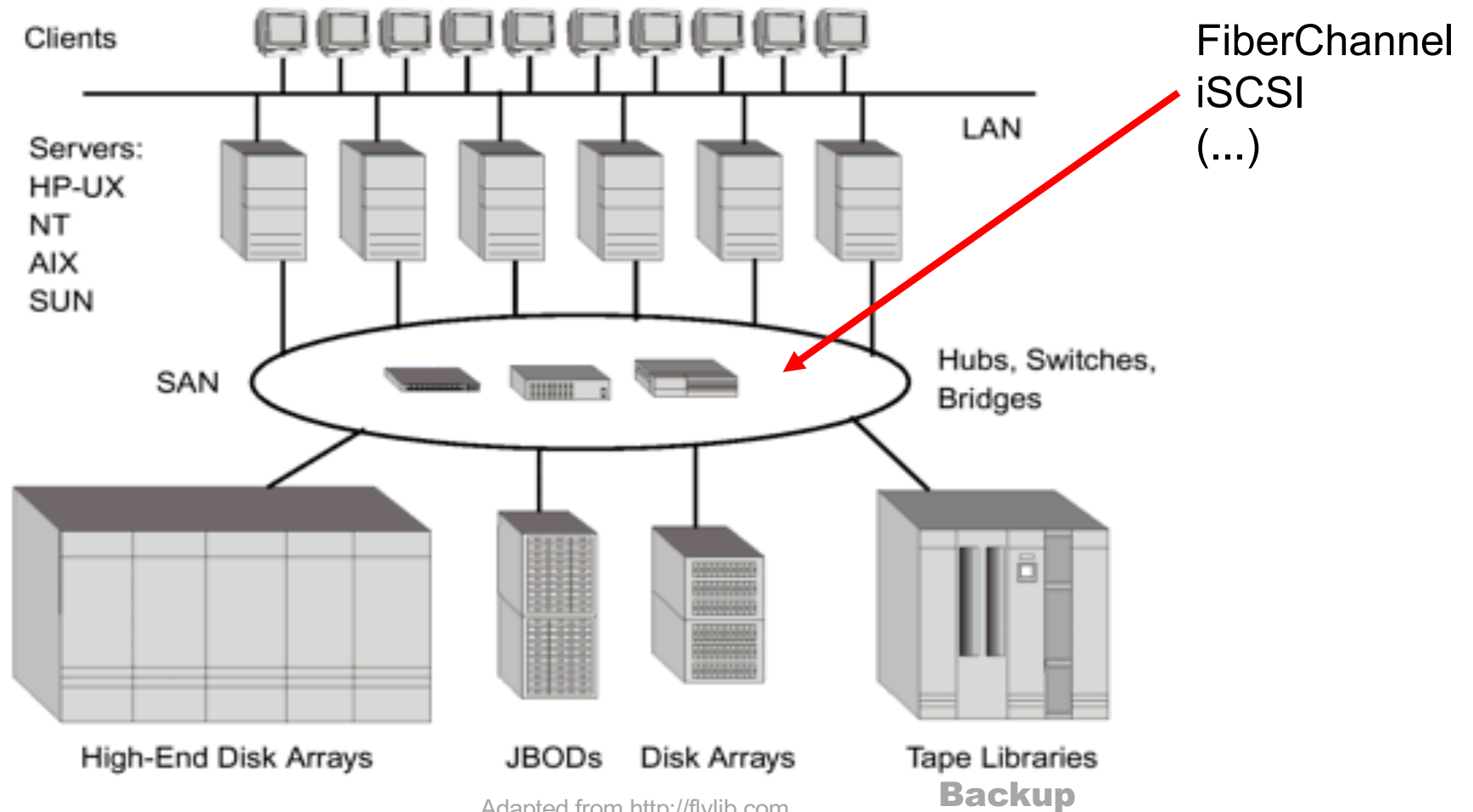
It combines features of public and private (and community) cloud models

# Cloud technology - virtualization





# Cloud technology – virtualization - storage



Adapted from <http://flylib.com>

# Cloud technology – virtualization - storage

- Grouping physical devices in one “logical unit”
- Grouping is irrespective to physical disks location
- Used with other local strategies: e.g. RAID
- Shared, block-based and transparent access to end-users
- Smooth storage manager and data replication
- Essential in a fault-tolerant and HA perspective
- Implementation over IP: iSCSI and iFC

# Cloud technology – virtualization - Google

## Americas

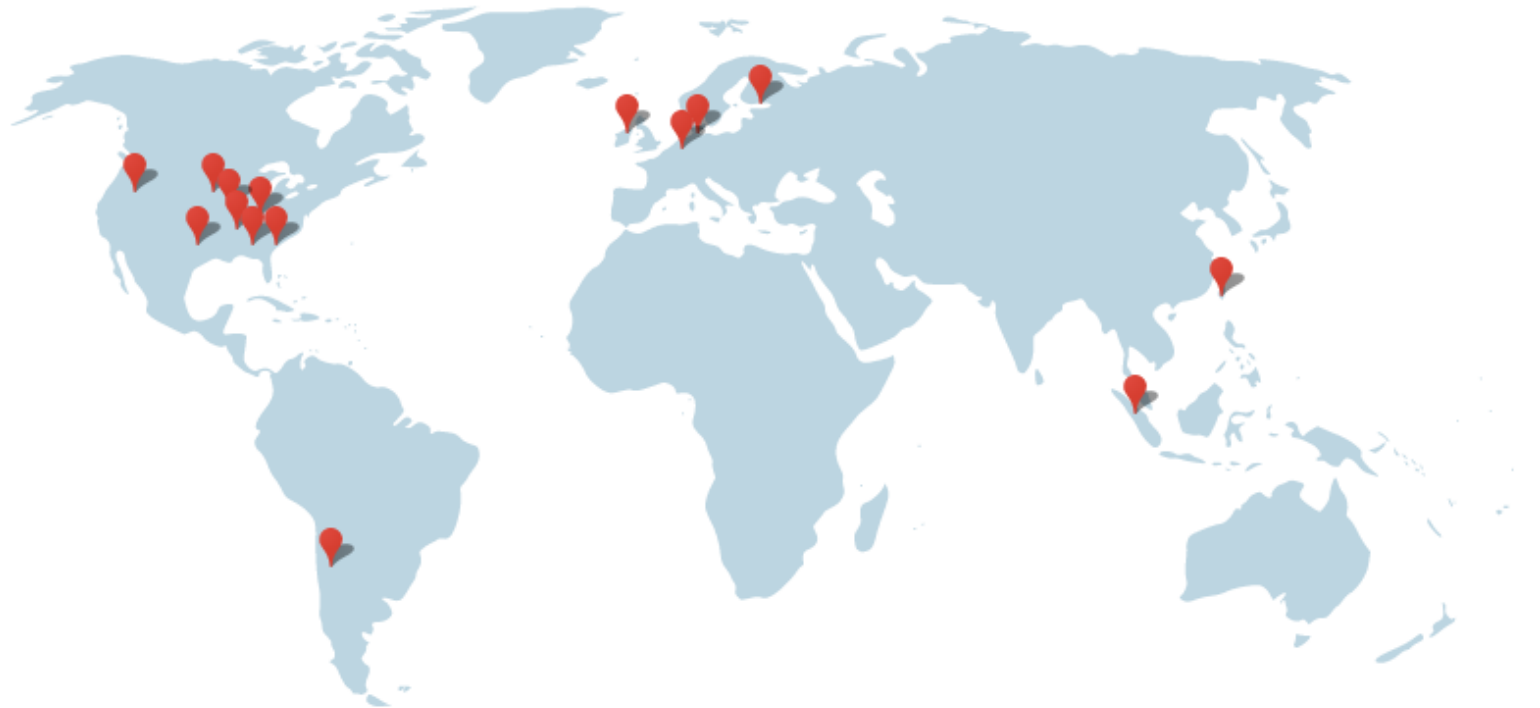
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Lenoir, North Carolina  
Mayes County, Oklahoma  
Montgomery County, Tennessee  
Quilicura, Chile  
The Dalles, Oregon

## Asia

Changhua County, Taiwan  
Singapore

## Europe

Dublin, Ireland  
Eemshaven, Netherlands  
Hamina, Finland  
St Ghislain, Belgium



**15 datacenters world wide**

<http://www.google.com/about/datacenters/inside/locations/>  
<http://www.datacentermap.com>

# Cloud technology – virtualization - security

**Critical component = Hypervisor**

## Security elements

**Type 1** (hardware based)

Software that comprise the hypervisor package (virtualization function and OS functions)

**Type 2** (operating system based)

More attractive to attackers. More vulnerabilities. OS and applications expose breaches.

Limited access and strong control over embedded OS increase robustness of Type 1 hypervisor.

Standardization is needed to effectively reduce the risk!

# Service models – security considerations - IaaS

## **IaaS** Main Threats

1. VM attacks
2. Virtual network
3. Hypervisor attacks
4. VM-based rootkits (VMBR)
5. Virtual switch attacks
6. DoS attacks
7. Colocation

**Highly dependent on the widespread use of virtualization and the associated hypervisor components.**

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# Service models – security considerations - IaaS

## New threats:

1. Provisioning tools and VM templates try to create new **unauthorized VM** or **patch the VM templates**
2. Infection propagates by new **VM clones**
3. These new threats are the result of a new, complex and dynamic nature of the cloud virtual infrastructure

# Service models – security considerations - IaaS

## Factors that determine the cloud dynamic notion:

1. Multitenancy
2. Loss of control
3. Dynamic network topology
4. Logical network segmentation
5. No physical endpoints
6. Single Point of Access/Failure (SPoA/SPoF)

# Service models – security considerations - PaaS

## **PaaS** **Main Threats**

**1. System and Resource Isolation**

**2. User-level permissions**

**3. User Access Management**

- Intelligence
- Administration
- Authentication
- Authorization

**4. Protection against malware, backdoors and trojans**

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# Service models – security considerations - SaaS

## **SaaS** Main Threats

1. Data segregation
2. Data access and policies
3. Web application security

## Cloud Security Alliance Controls Matrix (CCM)

[https://cloudsecurityalliance.org/group/cloud-controls-matrix/#\\_overview](https://cloudsecurityalliance.org/group/cloud-controls-matrix/#_overview)

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# Cloud technology – common threats



*“The notorious nine” – cloud computing top threats in 2013*

- 1. Data breaches**
- 2. Data loss**
- 3. Account or service traffic hijacking**
- 4. Insecure interfaces and API**
- 5. Denial of Service**
- 6. Malicious insiders**
- 7. Abuse of cloud services**
- 8. Insufficient due diligence**
- 9. Shared technologies vulnerabilities**

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# Cloud technology – security risks



## OWASP Top 10 Application Security Risks – 2017 [<https://www.owasp.org>]

A1 - Injection

A2 – Broken Authentication and session management

A3 – Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

A4 – Insecure Direct Object References

A5 – Security Misconfiguration

A6 - Sensitive Data Exposure

A7 – Missing Function Level Access Control

A8 – Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

A9 – Using Components with known vulnerabilities

A10 – Unvalidated Redirects and Forwards

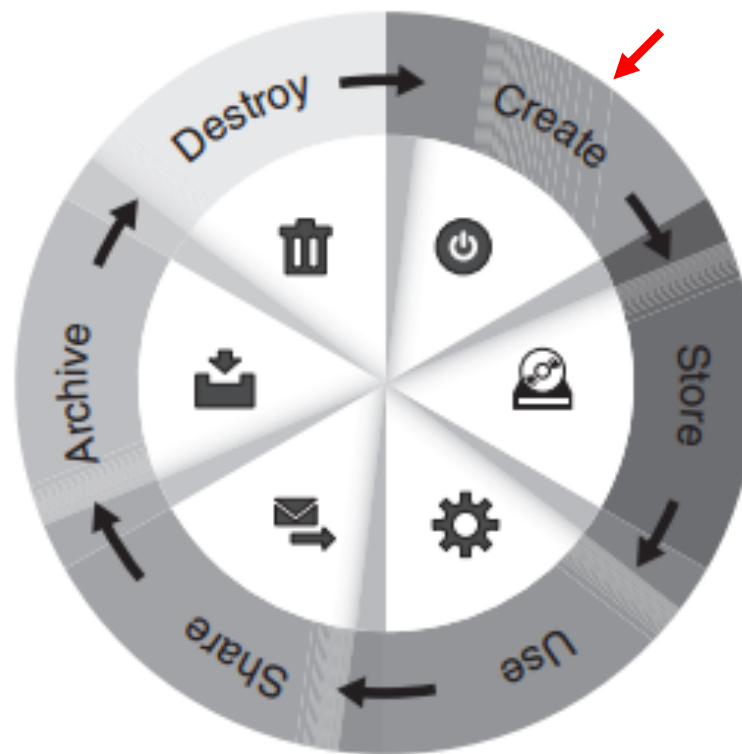
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# Cloud security – data and media sanitization

- Ability to safely remove all data from a system or media.
- Needed if you want to leave or migrate one CSP to another.
- Challenges:
  - Vendor lock-in
  - Cryptographic erasure
  - Data overwriting

# Cloud secure data lifecycle

- Data is the single most valuable asset for most organizations.
- Auditing, compliance and other control requirements implies a good understanding of data lifecycle.



Be aware of logical and  
Physical location of data.

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# Cloud cross-cutting aspects

## Cloud architecture - key principles

- Define protections that enable trust in the cloud.
- Develop cross-platform capabilities and patterns for proprietary and open source providers.
- Facilitate trusted and efficient access, administration, and resiliency to the customer or consumer.
- Provide direction to secure information that is protected by regulations.
- Facilitate proper and efficient identification, authentication, authorization, administration, and auditability.
- Centralize security policy, maintenance operation, and oversight functions.
- Make access to information both secure and easy to obtain.
- Delegate or federate access control where appropriate.
- Ensure ease of adoption and consumption, supporting the design of security patterns.
- ■ Make the architecture elastic, flexible, and resilient, supporting multitenant, multilandlord platforms.
- Ensure the architecture addresses and supports multiple levels of protection, including network, OS, and application security needs.

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# Cloud cross-cutting aspects

## NIST Cloud Technology roadmap

1. Interoperability
2. Portability
3. Availability
4. Security
5. Privacy
6. Resiliency
7. Performance
8. Governance
9. SLAs
10. Auditability
11. Regulatory compliance

- Industry-recommended
- Guidance and recommendations
- Target: security architects, enterprise architects, and risk-management professionals
- Useful to review and understand which controls and techniques may be required

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# It is worth being on the cloud?

- **OPerational EXpenses** *versus* **CAPital EXpenses**
- How big (€£\$) is the TCO (OPEX + CAPEX)?
- How much (€£\$) for the specialized human resources?
- How much (€£\$) for the defined SLA?
- And what about to buy and to subscribe software?
- “*Pay only if you use and use only if you need*”
- Do you need support for entrepreneurship and innovation?



# Cost-benefits analysis

1. Resource pooling
2. Shift from CAPEX to OPEX
3. Factor in time and efficiencies
4. Have in mind depreciation of IT technologies
5. Reduction in maintenance and configuration time
6. Shift in focus regarding professionals' functions
7. Utilities cost (power, cooling, datacenter space, ...)
8. Software and licensing costs
9. Pay per usage
10. Others – new tech, revised roles, legal costs, SLA revision, ...

# It is worth being on the cloud?

## Initial costs (CAPEX)

- hardware acquisition and instalation
- OS and software acquisition
- Building infrastrucutres

(...)

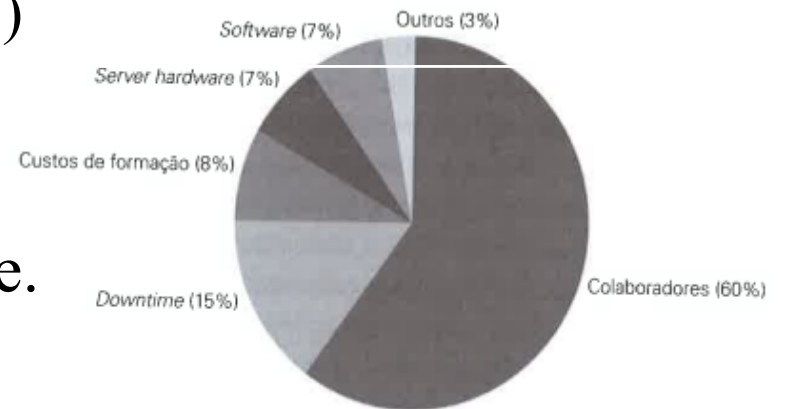
## Operational costs (OPEX)

- Power consumption
- HAVC (rent)
- UPS (rent)
- Human resources
- (...)

## TCO = Total Cost of Ownership

The value of the project through its lifetime.

$$\text{TCO} = \text{CAPEX} + \text{OPEX}$$



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IDC Withepaper sobre TCO.

# Cloud technology – the future

- Ubiquity *de facto*
- Faster, wider , safer, bigger
- Interoperability – standards please!
- Fog Computing (*fogging*)
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)
- Big Data

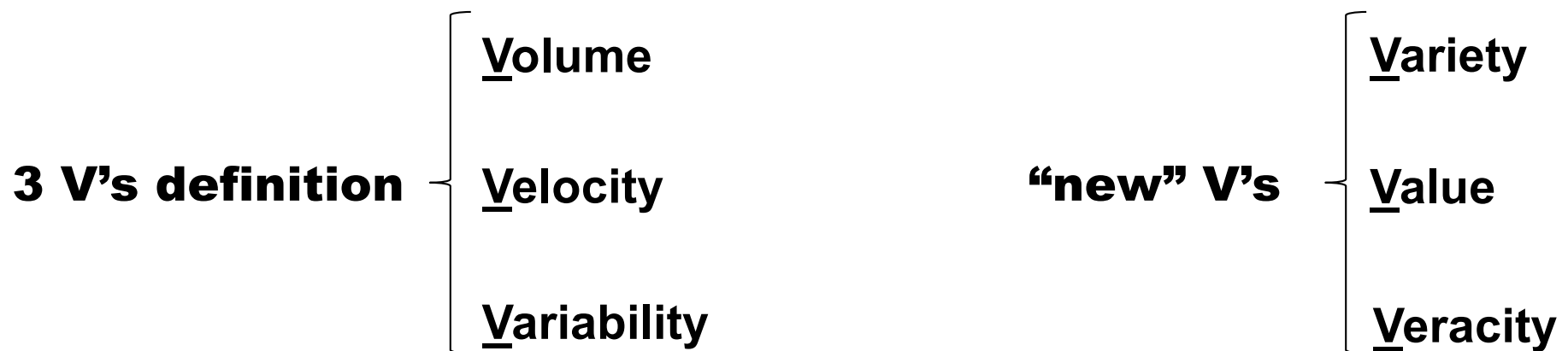
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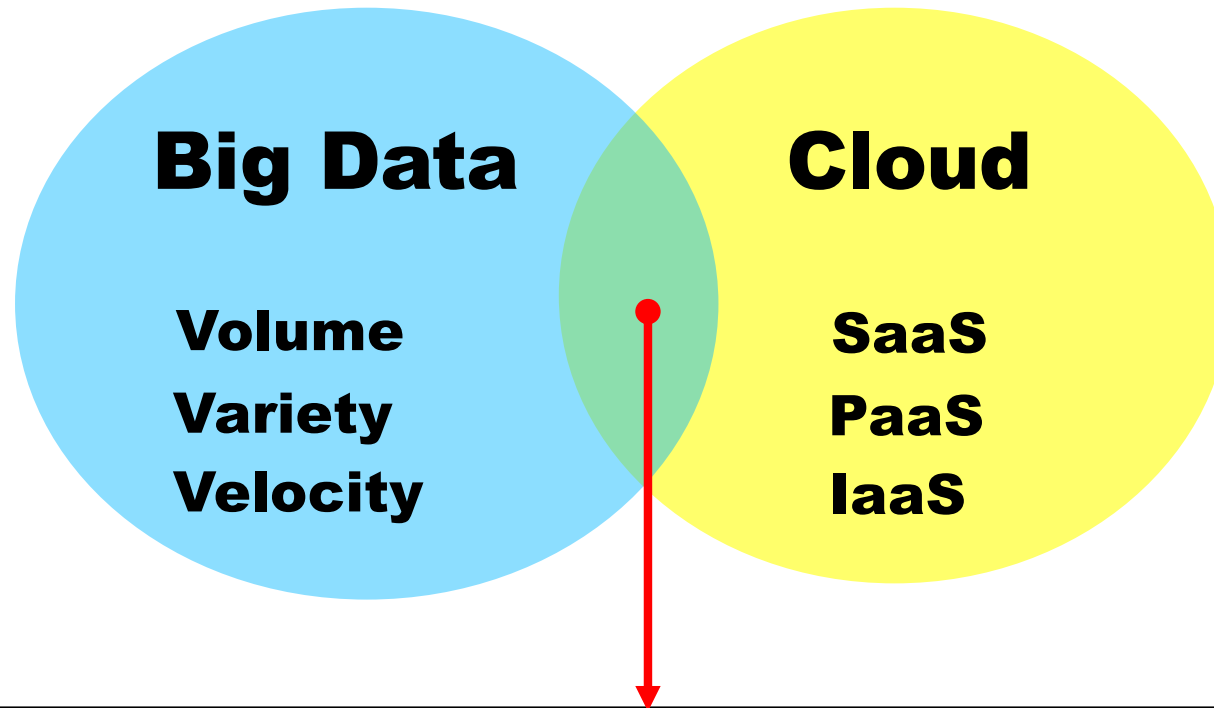


***Big Data** consists of extensive datasets – primarily in the characteristics of volume, variety, velocity, and/or variability (and/or value) – that require a scalable architecture for efficient storage, manipulation, and analysis.*

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# Big data - overview



	Volume	Variety	Velocity
<b>SaaS</b>	Client-side Personalization	Types of visualization	Real-time
<b>PaaS</b>	Distributed processing	Schemaless databases	Integration on the fly
<b>IaaS</b>	Scalable storage	Federated databased	On-demand resources

# Certification

## Security standards applied to cloud environment:

- ISO/IEC 27001:2013
- ISO/IEC 27002:2013
- ISO/IEC 27017:2015
- SOC 1/SOC 2/SOC 3 → Audit Reports
- NIST SP 800-53
- PCI DSS

Cardholder data  
management for  
merchants.

Standards for  
Risk Management

1. Information Security Policies
2. Organization of Information Security
3. Human Resources Security
4. Asset Management
5. Access Control
6. Cryptographic
7. Physical and Environmental Security
8. Operations Security
9. Communications Security
10. System Acquisition, Development, and Maintenance
11. Supplier Relationship
12. Information Security Incident Management
13. Information Security Business Continuity Management
14. Compliance

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