VE444: Networks

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- Our focus: computing as a utility
 - Outsourced to a third party or internal org

Types of Cloud Services

- Infrastructure as a Service (laaS): VMs, disks
- Platform as a Service (PaaS): Web, MapReduce
- Software as a Service (SaaS): Email, GitHub

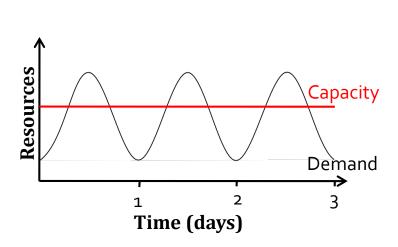
Public vs private clouds: Shared across arbitrary orgs/customers vs internal to one organization

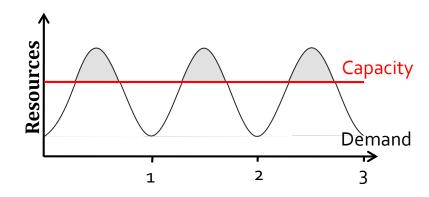
Cloud 101-definition

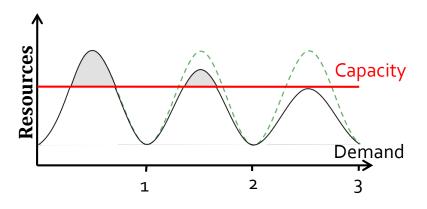
- Definition from **NIST** (National Institute of Standards and Technology)
 - Cloud computing is a model for enabling convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly provisioned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

Cloud Economics: For Users

- In traditional computing model, two common problems :
- Underestimate system utilization which result in under provision

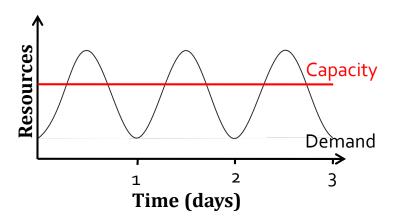






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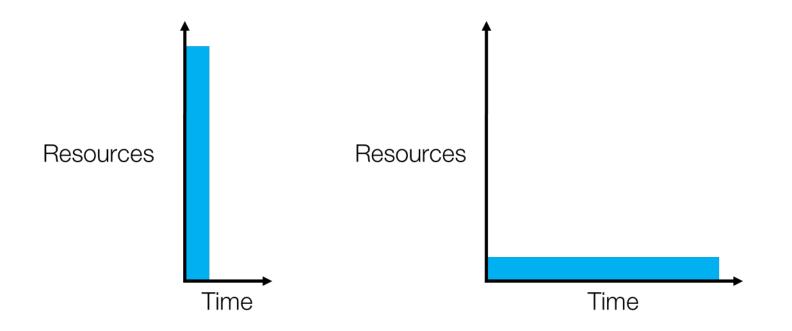
- Pay-as-you-go (usage-based) pricing:
 - Most services charge per minute, per byte, etc
 - No minimum or up-front fee
 - Helpful when apps have variable utilization



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Elasticity:

- Using 1000 servers for 1 hour costs the same as 1 server for 1000 hours
- Same price to get a result faster!



Cloud Economics: For Providers

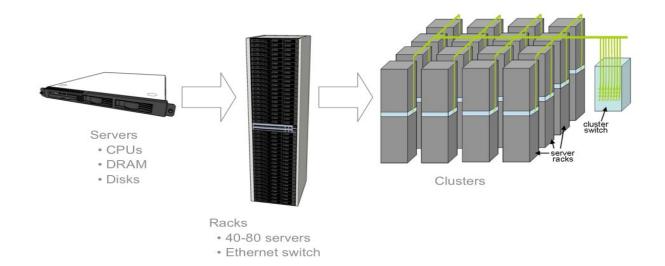
Economies of scale:

- Purchasing, powering & managing machines at scale gives lower perunit costs than customers'
- Tradeoff: fast growth vs efficiency
- Tradeoff: flexibility vs cost





Datacenter Hardware



- Rows of rack-mounted servers
- Datacenter: 50 200K of servers, 10 100MW
- Often organized as few and mostly independent clusters

Datacenter Example





laaS clouds:

- On-demand (pay-as-you-go)
 - Static hourly rate x run hours = Subscription
- Reserved instance
 - One-time subscription fee
 - Free/discounted usage fee during the reservation period
- Spot instance
 - Users bid for computing instances
 - No service guarantee

