


# TCSS 562: SOFTWARE ENGINEERING FOR CLOUD COMPUTING

## Cloud Computing Concepts and Models



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## OBJECTIVES

- Term project proposal
- Cloud Computing Concepts and Models
  - Roles and boundaries
  - Cloud characteristics
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## ROLES

- Cloud provider**
  - Organization that provides cloud-based resources
  - Responsible for fulfilling SLAs for cloud services
  - Some cloud providers "resell" IT resources from other cloud providers
    - Example: Heroku sells PaaS services running atop of Amazon EC2
- Cloud consumers**
  - Cloud users that consume cloud services
- Cloud service owner**
  - Both cloud providers and cloud consumers can own cloud services
  - A cloud service owner may use a cloud provider to provide a cloud service (e.g. Heroku)

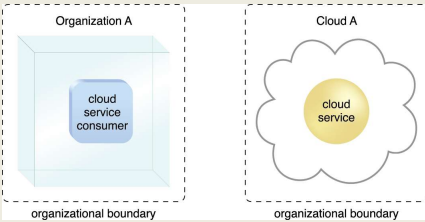
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## ROLES - 2

- Cloud resource administrator**
  - Administrators provide and maintain cloud services
  - Both cloud providers and cloud consumers have administrators
- Cloud auditor**
  - Third-party which conducts independent assessments of cloud environments to ensure security, privacy, and performance.
  - Provides unbiased assessments
- Cloud brokers**
  - An intermediary between cloud consumers and cloud providers
  - Provides service aggregation
- Cloud carriers**
  - Network and telecommunication providers which provide network connectivity between cloud consumers and providers

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## ORGANIZATION BOUNDARY



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### TRUST BOUNDARY

The diagram illustrates a trust boundary encompassing two organizational boundaries. On the left, Organization A contains a cloud service consumer. On the right, Cloud A contains a cloud service. Both are enclosed within a larger dashed-line trust boundary.

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### CLOUD CHARACTERISTICS

- On-demand usage
- Ubiquitous access
- Multitenancy (resource pooling)
- Elasticity
- Measured usage
- Resiliency

Assessing these features helps measure the value offered by a given cloud service or platform

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### ON-DEMAND USAGE

- The freedom to self-provision IT resources
- Generally with automated support
- Automated support requires no human involvement
- Automation through software services interface

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### UBIQUITOUS ACCESS

- Cloud services are widely accessible
- Public cloud: internet accessible
- Private cloud: throughout segments of a company's intranet
- 24/7 availability

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### MULTITENANCY

- Cloud providers pool resources together to share them with many users
- Serve multiple cloud service consumers
- IT resources can be dynamically assigned, reassigned based on demand
- Multitenancy can lead to performance variation

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### SINGLE TENANT MODEL

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### MULTITENANT MODEL

- Resource is "multiplexed" and share amongst multiple users
- Goal is to increase utilization
- Often server resources are underutilized
- There are many "sunk costs" whether usage is 0% or 100%
- Cloud computing tries to maximize "sunk cost" investments

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### MULTITENANT DATABASE

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### MULTITENANCY OF RESOURCES

Where is the multitenancy?

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### ELASTICITY

- Automated ability of cloud to transparently scale resources
- Scaling based on runtime conditions or pre-determined by cloud consumer or cloud provider
- Threshold based scaling
  - CPU-utilization > threshold\_A, Response\_time > 100ms
  - Application agnostic vs. application specific thresholds
  - Why might an application agnostic threshold be non-ideal?
- Load prediction
  - Historical models
  - Real-time trends

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### PREDICTABLE DEMAND

Example:

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## MEASURED USAGE

- Cloud platform tracks usage of IT resources
- For billing purposes
- Enables charging only for IT resources actually used
- Can be time-based (minute, hour, day)
- Can be throughput-based (MB, GB)

- Not all measurements are for billing
- Some measurements can support auto-scaling
- For example CPU utilization

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## EC2 CLOUDWATCH METRICS

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## RESILIENCY

- Distributed redundancy across physical locations
- Used to improve reliability and availability of cloud-hosted applications
- Very much an engineering problem
- No "resiliency-as-a-service" for user deployed apps
- Unique characteristics of user applications make a one-size fits all service solution challenging

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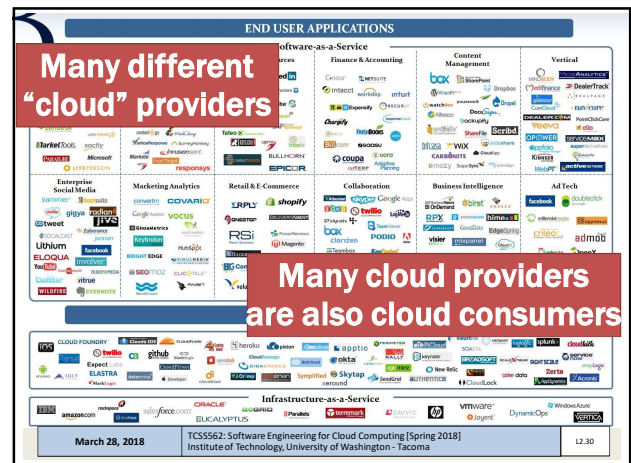
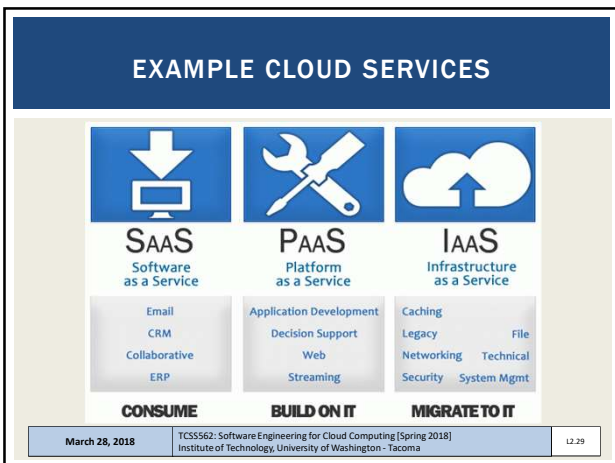
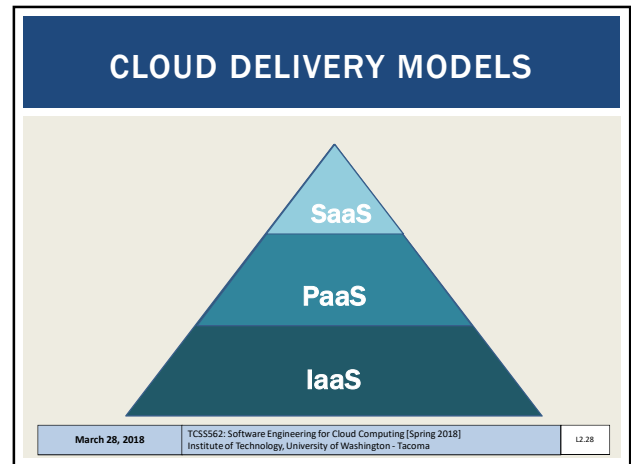
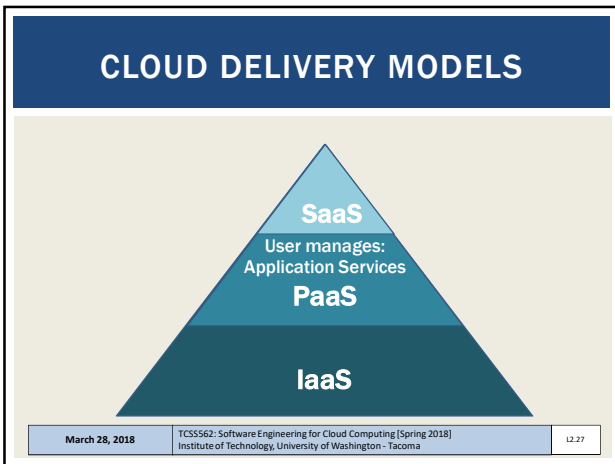
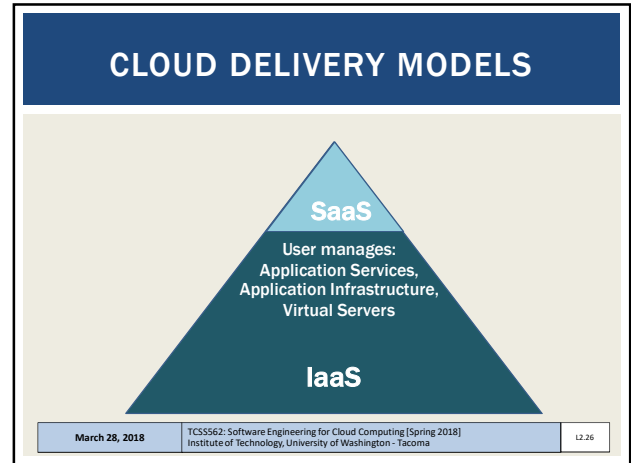
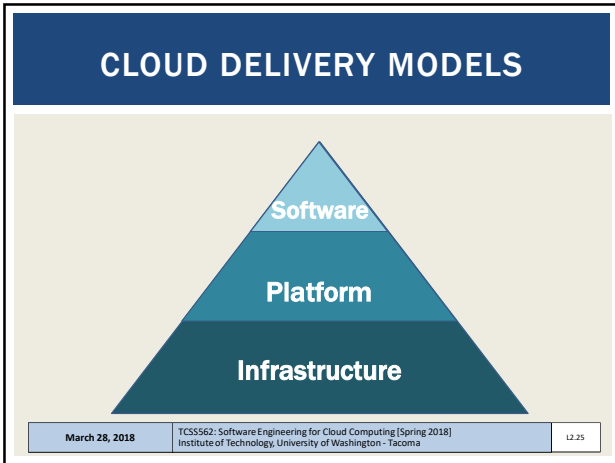
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## CLOUD DELIVERY MODELS

- What is the appropriate level of **abstraction**?
- How should applications be deployed?
  - IaaS, PaaS, SaaS, DbaaS, FaaS
- How do we ensure Quality-of-Service?
  - Performance, Availability, Responsiveness, Fault Tolerance
- How is **scalability** provided?
- How do we minimize hosting costs?
  - How do we estimate hosting costs?

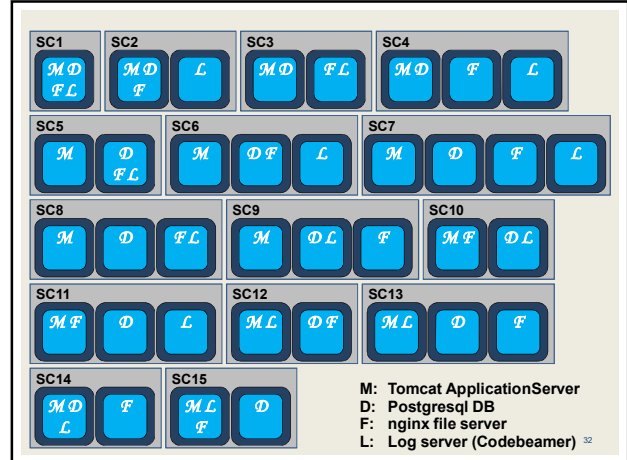
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## INFRASTRUCTURE-AS-A-SERVICE

- Compute resources, on demand, as-a-service
  - Generally raw "IT" resources
  - Hardware, network, containers, operating systems
- Typically provided through virtualization
- Generally not-preconfigured
- Administrative burden is owned by cloud consumer
- Best when high-level control over environment is needed
- Scaling is generally **not** automatic...
- Resources can be managed in bundles
- AWS CloudFormation: Allows specification in JSON/YAML of cloud infrastructures

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**Bell's Number:**

k: number of ways  
n components can be  
distributed across containers

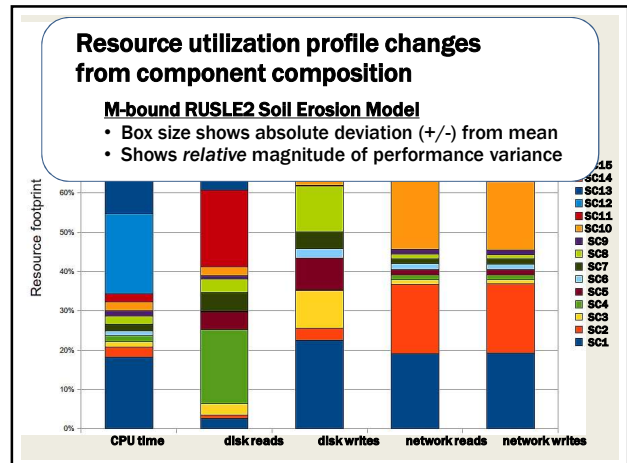
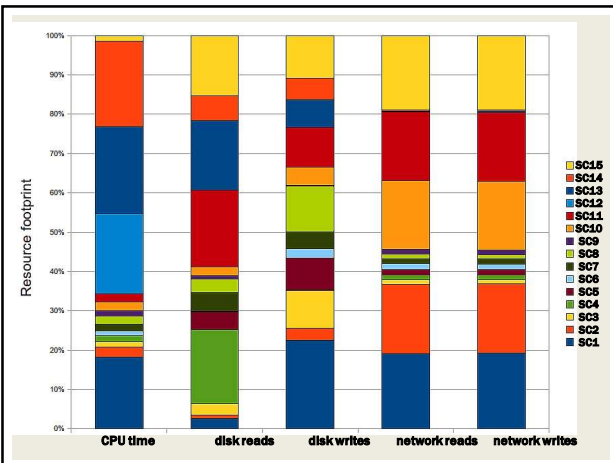
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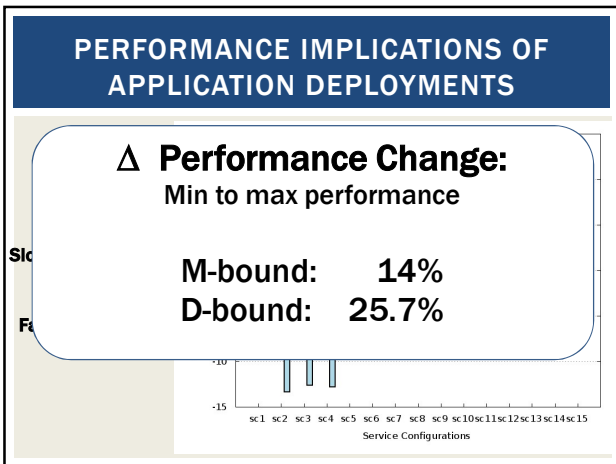
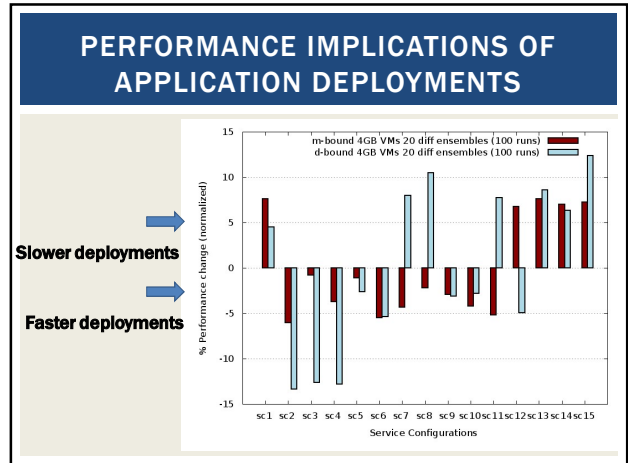
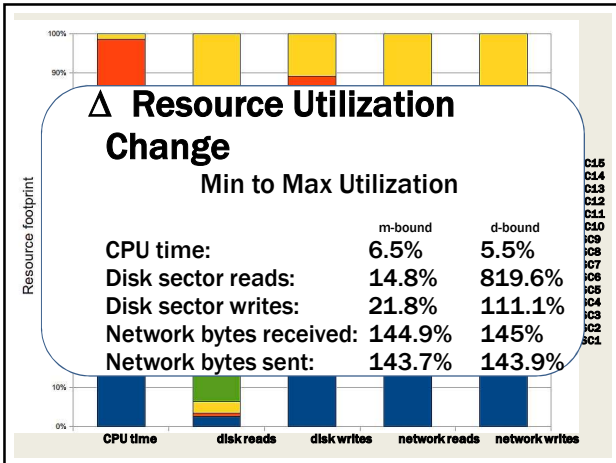
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 D: Postgresql DB  
 F: nginx file server  
 L: Log server (Codebeamer) <sup>33</sup>

**Component Composition Example**

- An application with 4 components has 15 compositions
- One or more component(s) deployed to each VM
- Each VM launched to separate physical machine

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### PLATFORM-AS-A-SERVICE

- Predefined, ready-to-use, hosting environment
- Infrastructure is further obscured from end user
- Scaling and load balancing may be automatically provided and automatic
- Variable to no ability to influence responsiveness

Examples:

- Google App Engine
- Heroku
- AWS Elastic Beanstalk
- AWS Lambda (FaaS)

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### USES FOR PAAS

- Cloud consumer
  - Wants to extend on-premise environments into the cloud for "web app" hosting
  - Wants to entirely substitute an on-premise hosting environment
  - Cloud consumer wants to become a cloud provider and deploy its own cloud services to external users
- PaaS spares IT administrative burden compared to IaaS

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### SERVERLESS COMPUTING

#### What is serverless?

Build and run applications without thinking about servers

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### Evolving to serverless

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## SERVERLESS COMPUTING - 3

- New cloud platform for hosting application code
- Every cloud vendor provides their own:
  - AWS Lambda, Azure Functions, Google Cloud Functions, IBM OpenWhisk
- Similar to platform-as-a-service
- Replace opensource web container (e.g. Apache Tomcat) with abstracted vendor-provided **black-box** environment

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## SERVERLESS COMPUTING - 4

- Many challenging features of distributed systems are provided automatically
- **Built Into the platform:**
- Highly availability (24/7)
- Scalability
- Fault tolerance

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AWS Lambda Demo

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## SERVERLESS SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE

- Every service with a different pricing model

Example: Weather Application

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## IAAS BILLING MODELS

- Virtual machines as-a-service at ¢ per hour
- No premium to scale:
 
$$= \frac{1000 \text{ computers}}{1 \text{ computer}} @ \frac{1 \text{ hour}}{1000 \text{ hours}}$$
- Illusion of infinite scalability to cloud user
- As many computers as you can afford
- Billing models are becoming increasingly granular
  - By the minute, second, 1/10th sec
- Auction-based instances: **Spot instances** →

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**QUESTIONS**



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