



Cloud Computing and Cloud Security for Hong Kong SMEs

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SME Cloud Promotion Campaign

But I'm going to talk about cloud computing in SME setting

- Background
- Defining the Cloud
- Cloud Architecture
- Managing the Cloud in your organizations
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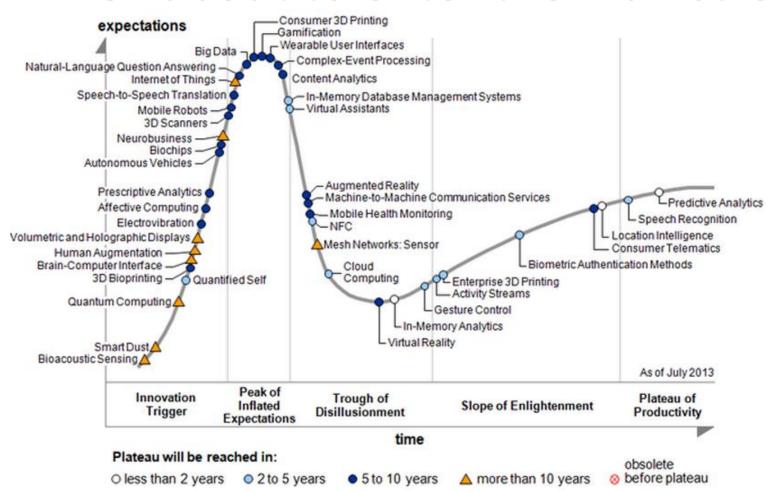






http://www.gartner.com/newsroom/id/2575515

Or about to enter the mainstream?



Gartner's hype cycle for emerging technologies, 2013









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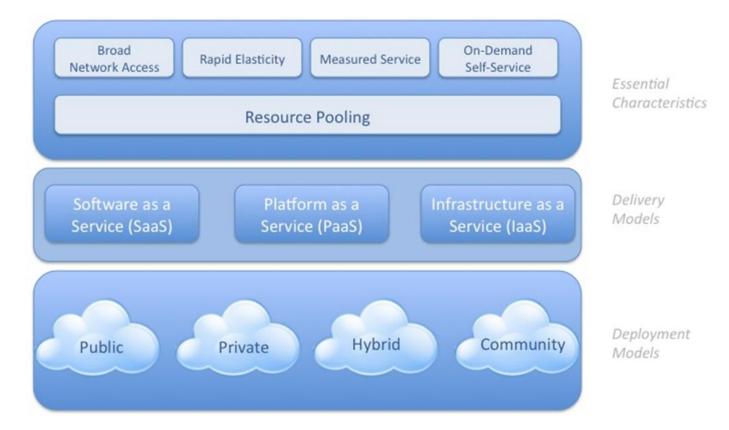




Key Components of Cloud

Visual Model Of NIST Working Definition Of Cloud Computing

http://www.csrc.nist.gov/groups/SNS/cloud-computing/index.html











What it delivers - Service Models

Customers may purchase:

- Infrastructure as a Service (laaS)
- Platform as a Service (PaaS)
- Software as a Service (SaaS)

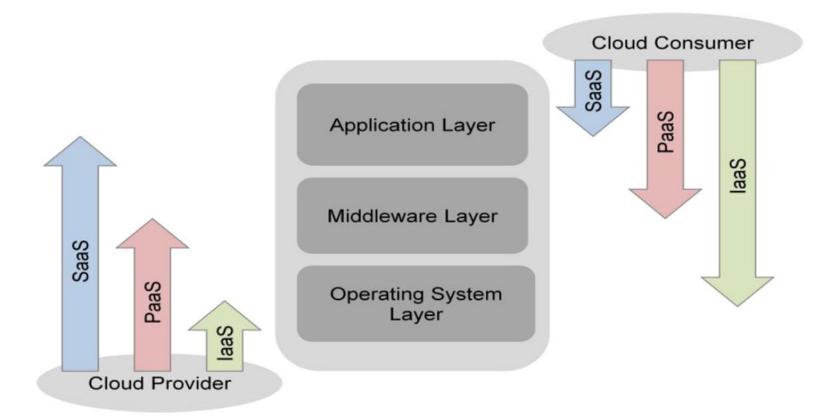








Scope of Control



Source: Liu et al (2011) - NIST Cloud Computing Reference Architecture









Essential Characteristics

- On Demand Self Service
 - Commoditised
- Measured Service
 - Variable Cost Model, pay for capacity you use
- Resource Pooling
 - High Utilisation & Economies of scale
- Rapid Elasticity
 - Commission / Decommission Capacity
- Broad Network Access
 - Accessibility over internet

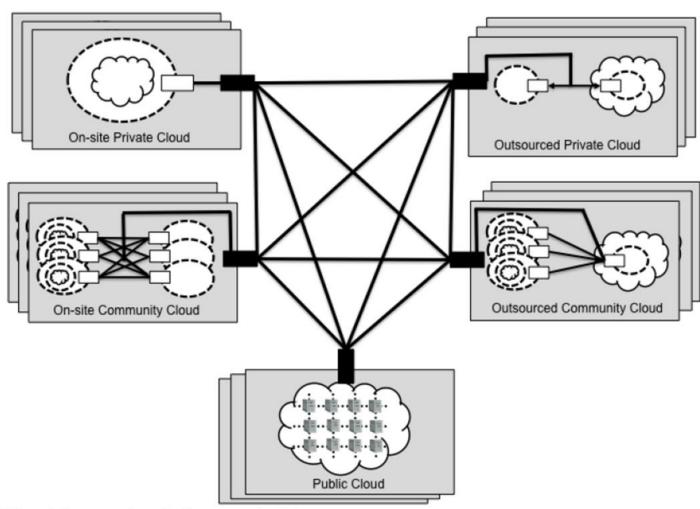




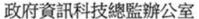


Hybrid Cloud





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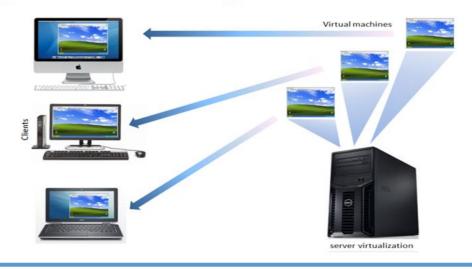


Single Tenancy vs Multi Tenancy

User A @ Company 1

User B @ Company 1

User C @ Company 1



Single Tenancy

User A @ Company 1

User B @ Company 2

User C@ Company 3



Multi Tenancy

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Lack of Auditability

- Only cloud provider has access to full network
 - e.g. Whose Jurisdiction?
- Need mutual auditability
 - Ability of cloud provider to audit potentially malicious or infected client VMs
 - Ability of cloud customer to audit cloud provider environment









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Global adoption of cloud in the SME

- SMEs adoption of cloud is still immature
 - In Hong Kong adoption is more cautious still ... less economic incentives

- Asia's SMEs Still Sceptical of Public cloud
 - Perceived loss of control & increased levels of risk
 - Outweigh the benefits of public cloud
- In US much greater Public Cloud adoption within SMEs









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