Implementation of GIS using Cloud paradigm

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Introduction



- Geographic information systems (GIS) is a collection of tools that:
 - o captures,
 - o stores,
 - o analyzes,
 - o manages,
 - and represent the data that connected to certain geographical location.

Motivation

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 GIS is a useful and works well when made available to as many people as possible in every place with low implementation cost and less resources.

Cloud Computing can offer:

- Availability
- Data base sharing
- Low Cost

Objective & Methodology

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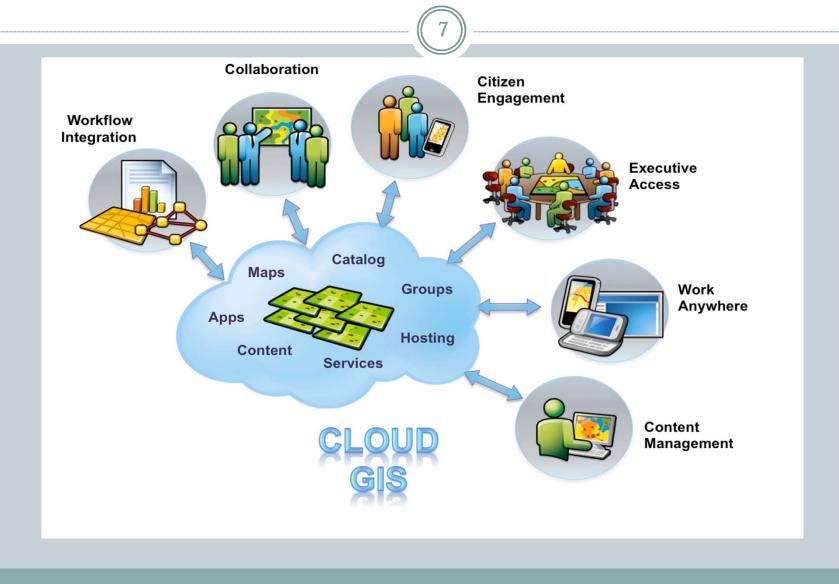
Objective: discuss the concept of cloud computing and how GIS makes use of this paradigm and what are the benefits it might provide to GIS

 Methodology: review the literature of GIS and Cloud computing and presenting three live case studies

Cloud Computing

- Cloud computing, a term which has become popular in recent years.
- described as the evolution of **on-demand** information technology services and products.

Literature Review: What is Cloud Computing



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- Cloud computing is a paradigm which can serve every industry that provides or consumes software, hardware, and infrastructure.
- Cloud Computing described as a highly scalable computing resources provided as an external service via the internet

pay-as-you-go.

Literature Review: Cloud Computing Characteristics

- There are several variations on the definition of cloud computing.
- But any agreed upon cloud should include the following aspects:
- Elasticity: scale up and quickly scale down
- Multi-tenancy
- Economics: use only what you need at a time when you need it (no waste of resources)
- Abstraction: Hide Complexities (OS)

Cloud Computing Service Layers:



Software as a Service (SaaS)

Enduser application is delivered as a service. Platform and infrastructure is abstracted, and can deployed and managed with less effort.

Platform as a Service (PaaS)

Application platform onto which custom applications and services can be deployed. Can be built and deployed more inexpensively, although services need to be supported and managed.

Infrastructure as a Service (laaS)

Physical infrastructure is abstracted to provide computing, storage, and networking as a service, avoiding the expense and need for dedicated systems.

Figure 1 illustrate the Cloud computing service Layers .

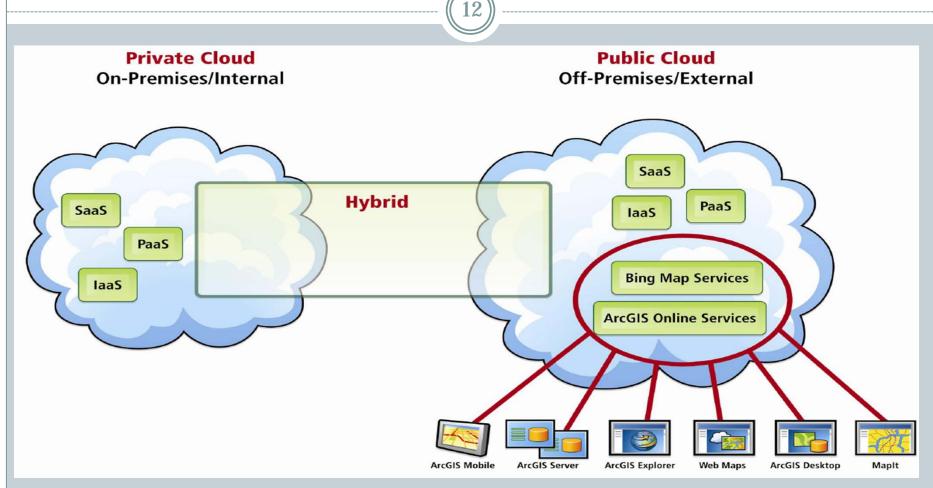
Cloud Advantages

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- Lower Total cost of ownership
- Increased availability
- Faster application delivery
- Flexible model

- Enables collaboration and community computing
- Improved business continuity
- Rental pricing model

Cloud Types



• Figure 2 illustrates the Cloud deployment models

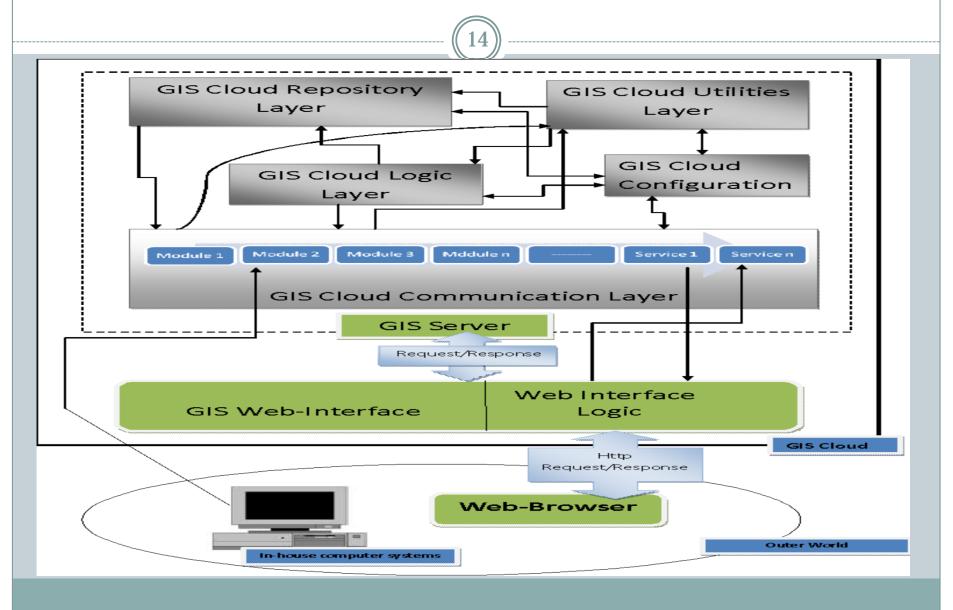
GIS Cloud



Why?

- Providing Application Infrastructure
- Transparency (Hiding complexities)
- Simplifies Database sharing and availability.
- Cost reduction
 - implementation cost
 - **Support & maintenance**
 - ***Easier Data Conversion & Presentation**

GIS Cloud Architecture



The Google App Engine GAE

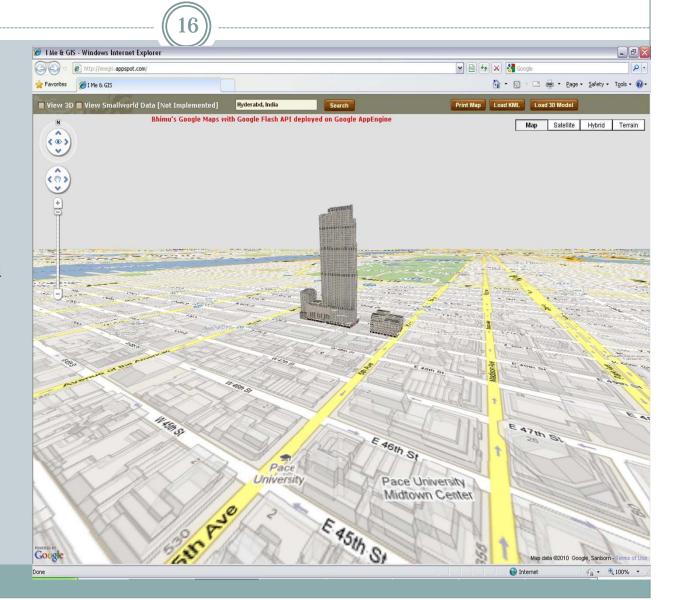
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- GIS cloud by Google corporation
- Application can be run across multiple servers.
 - " Distributed systems "
- Engine offers automatic scaling for web applications—as the number of requests increases for an application.
- The low cost and automated scalability make GAE an attractive target for investment.

GAE

GIS application running on the browser

hosted on the cloud & accessed everywhere



Case study 2:ArchGIS

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- Provided by Esri corporation.
- Esri Uses the cloud in 2 ways:
- 1- The ability to deploy ArcGIS server on Amazon shared cloud
- 2- ArcGIS.com, a web site offering tools and data for GIS application.

ArchGIS



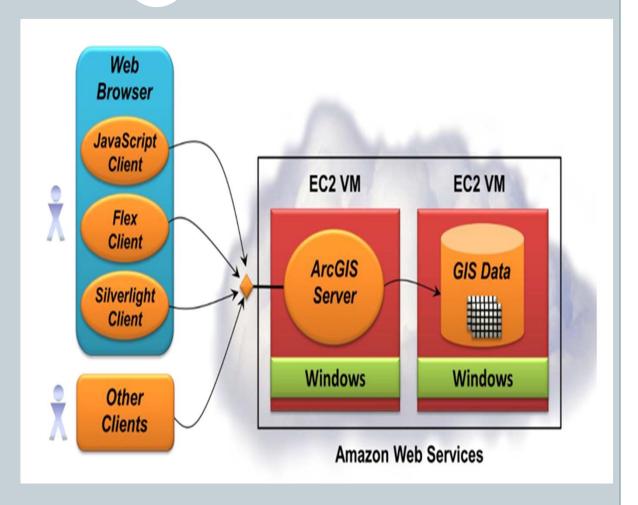
With Arch GIS you can:

- Adding items (maps, data, layers, files, apps, tools)
- Adding web maps
- Adding files from your computer
- Adding items from the web
- Adding applications

ArchGIS



The deployment of ArchGIS on Amazon cloud



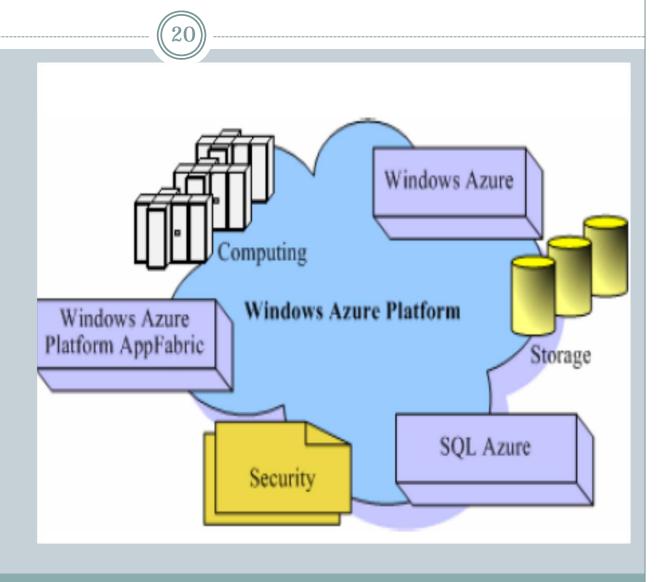
Case Study 3: Microsoft GIS cloud (AZURE)

- <u>Windows Azure</u>: provides platform
- **SQL Azure**:

For Data services based on SQL-server

- Windows Azure AppFabric:

cloud services for connecting applications running in the cloud



Findings from case studies



- According to the case studies, Cloud Computing has the ability to solve and overcome the challenges in GIS applications:
- Flexibility (scale up and down)
- Database sharing
- Resource management (DB update, DB recovery, S/W maintenance, staff)
- the high computing performance
- Budget.
- Availability (24/7 and location irrelevance)

Conclusion



- Cloud computing is a promising paradigm makes use of the current IT technologies to provide the s/w, platform, infrastructure services worldwide
- We discussed the concept of CC:
- Layers
- Types
- Advantages
- How CC can be beneficial to GIS
- 3 live examples (case studies)

Future work

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 In the future, we will extend this study by discussing
 The security facet and the potential security issues of GIS cloud

This is important and critical for Private Organizations that use private cloud type

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Any Questions