



Amazon Web Services:

Infrastructure in a few clicks

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WE TOOK THE HOSTAGES,
SECURED THE BUILDING, AND
CUT THE COMMUNICATION
LINES LIKE YOU SAID.



BUT THEN THIS GUY CLIMBED UP
THE VENTILATION DUCTS AND WALKED
ACROSS BROKEN GLASS, KILLING
ANYONE WE SENT TO STOP HIM.



NO, HE IGNORED THEM.
HE JUST RECONNECTED
THE CABLES WE CUT,
MUTTERING SOMETHING
ABOUT "UPTIME".



About the presenter

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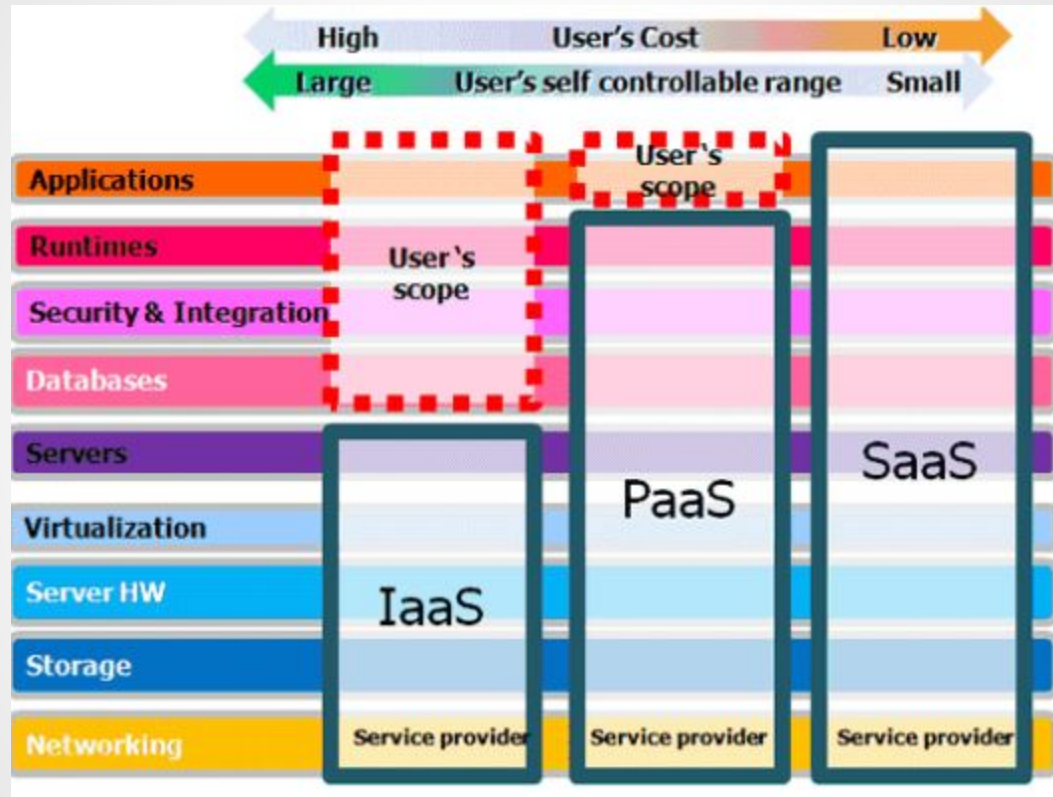
1. <http://www.urbandictionary.com/define.php?term=posers>

Who is IaaS for?

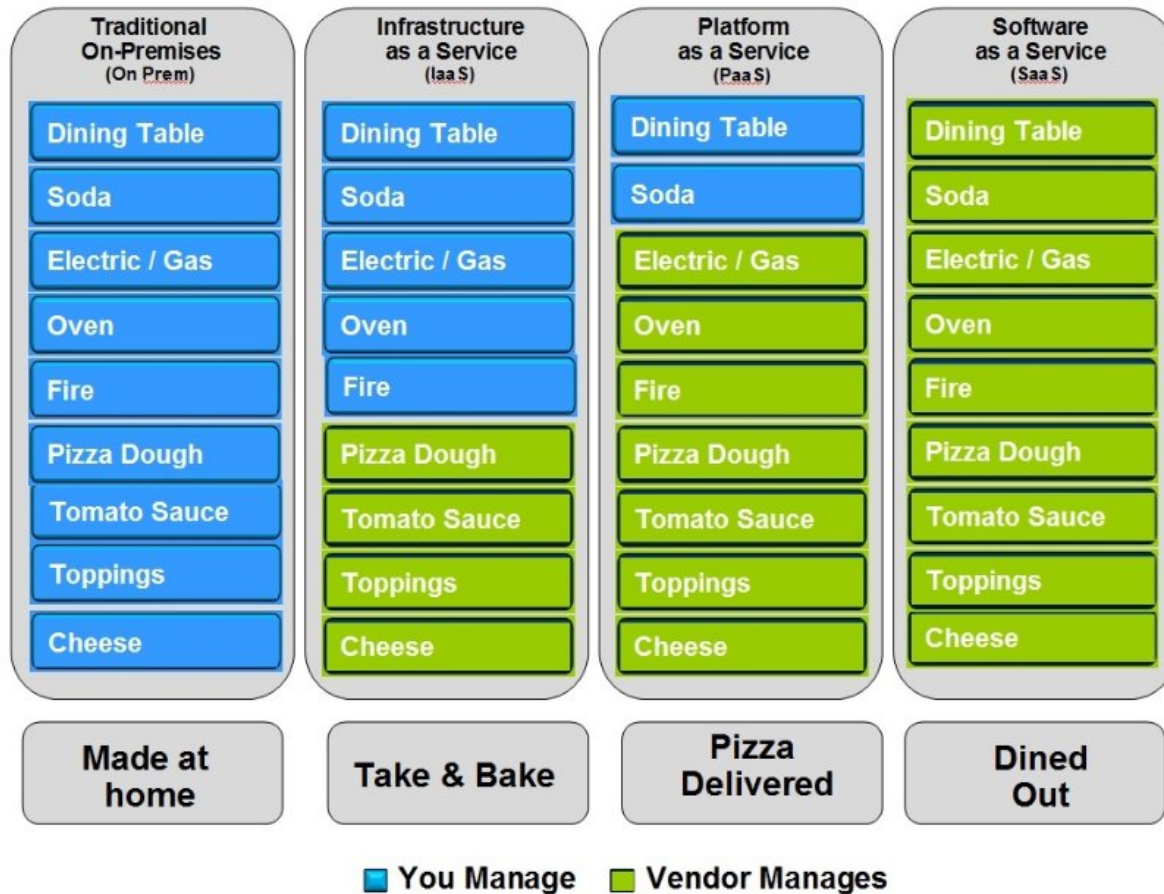
Why should a developer care?

- Startups/SMBs
- Proof of Concepts
- Agile teams blocked by bureaucracy
- Elastic map-reduce style jobs
- Side/personal projects
- etc...

The cloud infrastructure stack



Pizza as a Service



Where does *AWS* fit into the stack?

Anywhere you want!



The Essentials

- EC2 - server
- RDS - relational database
- CloudWatch - monitoring

Going further

- S3 - Cheap, reliable storage
- Glaciar - Even cheaper S3 storage
- CloudFront - CDN
- DynamoDB - NoSQL database
- ElastiCache - Memcached service
- SQS - Message queues
- SES - E-mail service



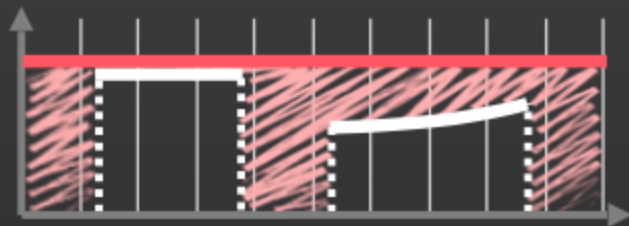
EC2 Demo

- Create instance
- Create database
- Connect + install web server, test database
- Set up monitors/alerts
- Backup server + database
- Restore + scale up instance
- Command line operations

Basic EC2 Concepts

- AMI (Virtual Machine Image)
- Instance Type - vCPUs
- EBS (Storage Volumes)
- VPC (Network security)
- Elastic IP

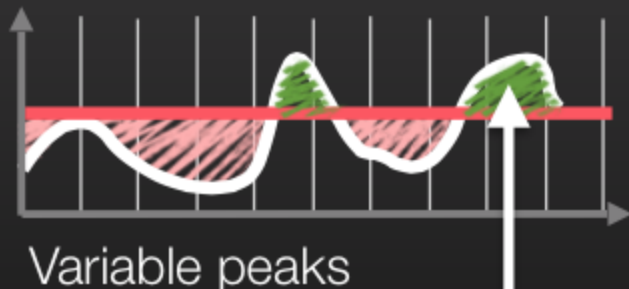
Elastic Capacity (or lack of in this case)



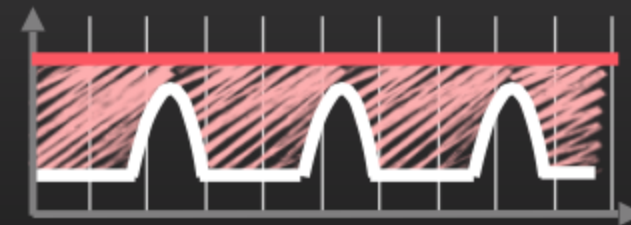
On and Off



Fast Growth



Variable peaks



Predictable peaks

EC2 Advanced

- Load Balancer
- Auto Scaling
- CloudFormation / OpsWorks (Configuration automation)
- Container Service (Docker)
- Private Cloud VPN<->VPC

DISCUSSION