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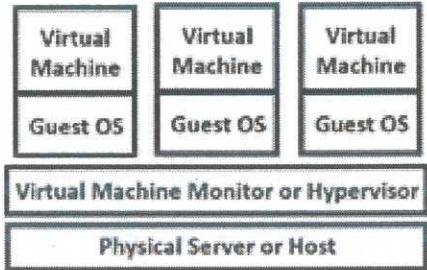
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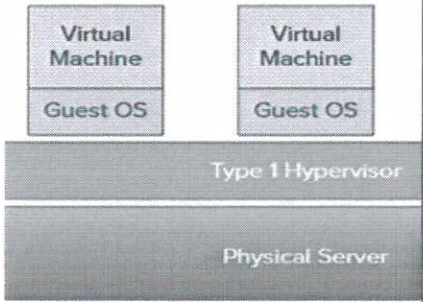
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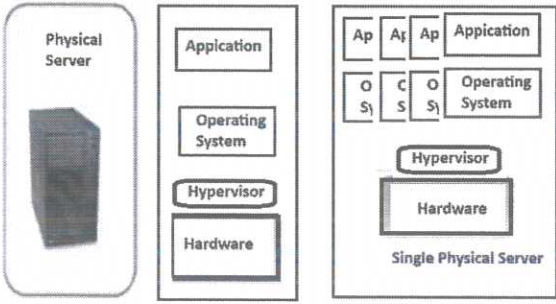
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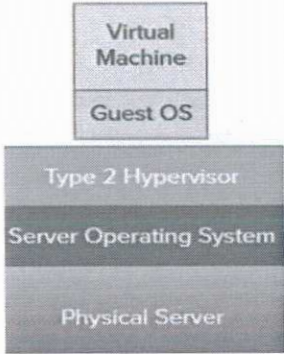
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Question No	Scoring Indicator	Split up Score	Total
I	PART A		9
1	Virtual Machine Monitor	1	1
2	VMware, Virtual box, Hyper-V, Xen, etc	.5x2	1
3	Hypervisor, Virtual Switch, Software-Defined Networking (SDN) Controller, Overlay Networks, Tunnelling Protocols, VNIC	.5x2	1
4	Resource Overhead, Compatibility Issues, Performance Impact, Limited Access to Hardware, Network Dependencies, Licensing and Legal Constraints, Management Complexity,	.5*2	1
5	On-demand self-service, Resource pooling, Scalability and rapid elasticity, Measured service, Resiliency and availability, Security, Broad network access.	.5*2	1
6	Front End, Back End	.5*2	1
7	Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)	1	1
8	Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS) , Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS)	.5*2	1
9	Scalability, Flexibility, Resource Optimization, Self-Service:	.5*2	1
II	PART B		24
1	<p>Virtualization is a technology that allows multiple operating systems (OS) or applications to run on a single physical machine, sharing its resources in a way that each appears to be running on its dedicated hardware. It abstracts the hardware layer and creates a virtualized environment, where software, known as a hypervisor or Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM), manages the distribution of resources to the virtual instances.</p>  <p>The diagram illustrates the virtualization architecture. At the base is a box labeled 'Physical Server or Host'. Above it is a box labeled 'Virtual Machine Monitor or Hypervisor'. On top of the hypervisor are three separate boxes, each containing 'Virtual Machine' and 'Guest OS' stacked vertically.</p>	1 Fig. 2	3

	<p>physical servers. This flexibility is crucial for adapting to changing workloads and business demands.</p> <p>Isolation and Security: Virtualization provides isolation between virtual machines, enhancing security. If one VM is compromised or experiences an issue, it does not impact other VMs on the same host. This isolation is crucial for maintaining the integrity of different applications and operating systems.</p> <p>Flexibility and Agility: Virtualization allows for the creation of virtual environments that can mimic various hardware configurations. This flexibility is valuable for software development, testing, and running diverse workloads on the same infrastructure.</p> <p>Disaster Recovery: Virtualization simplifies disaster recovery efforts. VM snapshots can be taken to capture the state of a virtual machine at a specific point in time, allowing for quick recovery in the event of hardware failures, data corruption, or other disasters.</p> <p>Energy Efficiency: Server consolidation through virtualization leads to improved energy efficiency. By reducing the number of physical servers, organizations can lower their overall energy consumption, contributing to sustainability goals and reducing environmental impact.</p> <p>Legacy System Support: Virtualization enables the running of legacy applications on modern hardware. This is especially important for businesses that rely on older software that may not be compatible with newer hardware platforms.</p>		
<p>2</p>	<p>A hypervisor, also known as a virtual machine monitor (VMM), is a software or firmware component that enables the virtualization of computer hardware, allowing multiple virtual machines (VMs) to run on a single physical machine. The hypervisor is a layer of software that resides below the virtual machines and above the hardware. The hypervisor manages the interactions between each virtual machine and the hardware that the guests all share</p> <p>There are two main types of hypervisors: Type 1 and Type 2</p> <p>Type 1 virtualization is a software that runs directly on the physical hardware of a computer or server. It also known as a bare-metal hypervisor.</p> <p>It is called "bare-metal" because it operates directly on the underlying hardware without the need for an underlying host operating system. Because there is no intervening layer between the hypervisor and the physical hardware.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Fig. 2</p> <p>3</p>	 <pre> graph TD VM1[Virtual Machine Guest OS] --- H[Type 1 Hypervisor] VM2[Virtual Machine Guest OS] --- H H --- PS[Physical Server] </pre>

	<p>Key characteristics of a Type 1 hypervisor</p> <p>Direct Hardware Access: Type 1 hypervisors interact directly with the physical hardware of the host system</p> <p>Efficiency. By eliminating the need for an additional operating system layer, Type 1 hypervisors are generally more efficient in terms of system resource usage.</p> <p>Performance: VMs managed by a Type 1 hypervisor typically exhibit higher performance levels compared to those running on Type 2 hypervisors.</p> <p>Security: The direct interaction with hardware makes Type 1 hypervisors potentially more secure than Type 2 hypervisors.</p> <p>Server Virtualization: Type 1 hypervisors are commonly used in server virtualization scenarios, where multiple virtual servers run on a single physical host</p>		
<p>3</p>	<p>Server Virtualization: This form of virtualization enables the partitioning of a physical server into multiple virtual machines (VMs). Each VM operates as an independent server with its own operating system, applications, and resources.</p>  <p>Benefits of Server Virtualization: Resource Consolidation, Cost Savings, Isolation and Security, Flexibility and Scalability:</p> <p>Storage virtualization combines physical storage devices into a single virtual storage unit. It simplifies management, improves data availability, and facilitates efficient storage allocation and utilization. There are two types</p> <p>Block Virtualization</p> <p>Block-level storage virtualization operates at the lowest level of storage access, dealing with individual storage blocks rather than files.</p> <p>File Virtualization</p> <p>This type of virtualization is commonly used in distributed file systems and cloud storage environments.</p> <p>Benefits of Storage Virtualization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simplified Management, Improved Utilization Enhanced Flexibility, Non-disruptive Migration Reduced Downtime, Cost Efficiency 	<p>3</p> <p>Fig(2)</p> <p>2</p>	

<p>4</p>	<p>A hypervisor, also known as a virtual machine monitor (VMM), is a software or firmware component that enables the virtualization of computer hardware, allowing multiple virtual machines (VMs) to run on a single physical machine. The hypervisor is a layer of software that resides below the virtual machines and above the hardware. The hypervisor manages the interactions between each virtual machine and the hardware that the guests all share</p> <p>Type 2 Hypervisors</p> <p>A type 2 hypervisor is a software-based virtualization technology that runs on top of an existing operating system.</p> <p>The first x86 offerings were Type 2 because that was the quickest path to market. The actual operating system already handled all of the hardware resources and the hypervisor would leverage that capability.</p> <p>One benefit of this model is that it can support a large range of hardware because that is inherited from the operating system it uses. Type 2 hypervisors are easy to install and deploy because much of the hardware configuration work, such as networking and storage, has already been covered by the operating system.</p> <p>Characteristics:</p> <p>Hosted on a Host OS: Type 2 hypervisors are installed as software applications on a host operating system (OS), such as Windows, macOS, or Linux.</p> <p>User-Friendly: They are generally easier to set up and use compared to Type 1 hypervisors. Users can install and manage virtual machines through a graphical user interface (GUI).</p> <p>Resource Sharing: Since they run on top of a host OS, Type 2 hypervisors share resources such as memory, CPU, and storage with the host system.</p> <p>Ideal for Development and Testing: Type 2 hypervisors are often used for software development, testing, and other non-production environments where performance is not critical.</p> <p>Compatibility: They can be installed on a wide range of hardware, making them more versatile for use on desktops or laptops.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Fig(2)</p> <p>3</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Virtual Machine Clones refer to exact or near-exact duplicates of existing virtual machines (VMs).</p> <p>Allowing you to replicate a VM's entire state, including its operating system, installed software, data, and configurations.</p> <p>You cannot convert back the cloned virtual machine.</p> <p>A clone of a virtual machine can be created when the virtual machine is powered on.</p> <p>Two types of VM clone.</p>	<p>3</p>	



	<p>Full Clone: A full clone is an independent, standalone copy of the original VM. It does not share any storage with the source VM and operates as a completely separate entity.</p> <p>Linked Clone: A linked clone is a copy of VM that shares virtual disk with the parent VM in an ongoing manner.</p> <p>This conserve disk space and allows multiple Vm to use the same software installation.</p> <p>Once that copy exists, the guest operating system only needs some customization in the form of unique system information, such as a system name and IP address, before it can be instantiated.</p> <p>Templates. We can convert a virtual machine in to a template.</p> <p>A template is a mold, a preconfigured, preloaded virtual machine that is used to stamp out copies of a commonly used server.</p> <p>Template is an image that typically include guest OS, application and specific virtual machine configuration.</p> <p>The difference between a template and a clone is that the clone is running and a template is not.</p> <p>In most environments, a template cannot run, and in order to make changes to it a template must first be converted back to a virtual machine.</p> <p>Snapshots is capturing of a VM's state at a particular point in time. A snapshot preserves the state of a VM, its data, and its hardware configuration. Once you snapshot a VM, changes that are made no longer go to the virtual machine. They go instead to a delta disk, sometimes called a child disk.</p> <p>Snapshots can be used to test a patch or an update where the outcome is unsure, and they provide an easy way to undo what was applied. Applying multiple snapshots to a VM is fine for a test environment but can cause large headaches and performance issues in a production system.</p>	2	7
6	<p>Desktop virtualization, also known as virtual desktop infrastructure (VDI). Desktop virtualization is a technology that allows multiple virtual desktop instances to run on a single physical machine. This approach offers several advantages for both individuals and organizations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Centralized Management. With desktop virtualization, the desktop environments are hosted on centralized servers, making management and updates easier to handle. 2. Enhanced Security. Centralizing desktop environments on servers can enhance security. Data remains in the data center, reducing the risk of data loss through physical theft or hardware failure. 3. Simplified Deployment. Setting up new desktop environments becomes more efficient as administrators can create a master image that can be replicated for multiple users. 	1x4	7

	<p>Despite high availability measures, cloud services may experience downtime. This can impact users' access to data and applications, and organizations should consider the reliability of their chosen cloud providers.</p> <p>Security and Privacy: Security concerns, including data breaches and unauthorized access, are considerations when moving data to the cloud. Organizations must carefully manage access controls, encryption, and compliance with data protection regulations.</p> <p>Limited Customization: Cloud services are often standardized, and customization options may be limited. This can be a challenge for organizations with specific or unique requirements that may not align with the offerings of a cloud provider.</p> <p>Dependency on Internet Connectivity: Cloud services require a stable internet connection. If the internet is slow or unavailable, users may experience disruptions in accessing cloud resources.</p> <p>Data Transfer Costs: While storing data in the cloud is often cost-effective, data transfer costs (uploading and downloading data) can add up, particularly for large datasets.</p> <p>Vendor Lock-In: Adopting certain cloud services may lead to vendor lock-in, making it challenging to switch to another provider without significant effort and cost. Organizations should carefully consider their options and plan for potential migrations</p>	3*1	
8	<p>Amazon Web Services (AWS): AWS is one of the largest and most widely used cloud service providers globally, offering a vast array of infrastructure and platform services. It provides scalable and flexible computing power, storage, databases, machine learning, analytics, and more. Amazon S3 (Simple Storage Service), EC2 (Elastic Compute Cloud), RDS (Relational Database Service), Lambda (serverless computing), and Amazon AI services.</p> <p>Microsoft Azure: Microsoft Azure is a comprehensive cloud platform that provides a variety of services, including computing power, storage, databases, AI and machine learning, IoT, and more. It integrates well with Microsoft's other products, making it a popular choice for organizations already using Microsoft technologies. Azure Virtual Machines, Azure Blob Storage, Azure SQL Database, Azure Functions, and Azure Cognitive Services.</p> <p>Google Cloud Platform (GCP): Google Cloud Platform is known for its data analytics and machine learning capabilities, as well as a suite of infrastructure services. GCP offers services for computing, storage, databases, machine learning, and big data analytics.</p>	1.5*4	7

	<p>Cloud computing needs global access and connectivity to the Internet in order to be successful.</p> <p>It assists associations and customers by providing connectivity anywhere among consumers, government companies, and enterprises via ways like peer-to-peer exchanges, Web 2.0, and web services.</p> <p>Compute Resources: Employing powerful processors and GPUs to handle diverse workloads. Leveraging serverless computing for event-driven applications.</p> <p>Security Measures: Implementing robust security protocols, encryption, and access controls. Using hardware security modules (HSMs) for key management. Regularly updating and patching software to address vulnerabilities.</p> <p>Open-source Software Open-source software in cloud computing may draw distinct views.</p> <p>Virtualization Conventionally, virtualization of server was observed as a price-saving process.</p> <p><u>3. Operational Influences:</u></p> <p>Consolidation Consolidation refers to the fact that a physical resource or server can be shared by many users and also made accessible by a variety of applications at the same time.</p> <p>Storage consolidation is a system of centralizing data storage between multiple servers. It is helpful to facilitate data backup at various levels and minimizes the time required for accessing and storing data.</p> <p>Server consolidation can be done in several ways. One of the options is to use blade servers, which consists of modular circuits within a card. Server virtualization makes a single physical server available to others by creating virtual instances of the server</p> <p>Outsourcing Cloud computing offers flexible billing alternatives and price savings via outsourcing. The huge investments of cloud suppliers in emergent high-capacity infrastructures eliminate the requirement for consumers to make huge additional or initial open expenditures for internal IT systems.</p> <p>Automation The capability to handle resources automatically and make virtual instance available by transferring virtual applications dynamically is a</p> <p>Cost Management: Employing cost-effective solutions and optimizing resource usage. Utilizing pay-as-you-go models to align costs with actual usage.</p>	2	
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	<p>Runtime Cloud provides the execution and runtime environment to the virtual machines.</p> <p>5. Storage. Storage is one of the most important components of cloud computing. It provides a huge amount of storage capacity in the cloud to store and manage data.</p> <p>6. Infrastructure. It provides services on the host level, application level, and network level. Cloud infrastructure includes hardware and software components such as servers, storage, network devices, virtualization software, and other storage resources that are needed to support the cloud computing model.</p> <p>7. Management. Management is used to manage components such as application, service, runtime cloud, storage, infrastructure, and other security issues in the backend and establish coordination between them.</p> <p>8 Security. Security is an in-built back-end component of cloud computing. It implements a security mechanism in the back end.</p> <p>9. Internet. The Internet is medium through which front end and back end can interact and communicate with each other.</p>		
11	<p>The cloud deployment model works as your virtual computing environment, with a choice of deployment model depending on how much data you want to store and who has access to the infrastructure.</p> <p>Different Types of Cloud Computing Deployment Models</p> <p>Private Cloud: A private cloud is a computing environment that is set up for the exclusive use of a single organization. In a private cloud, the computing resources—such as servers, storage, and networking infrastructure—are dedicated to and operated solely by that organization. Unlike public clouds, which are shared by multiple organizations, private clouds offer a higher level of control, customization, and security.</p> <p>Example Providers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VMware Cloud Foundation: Enables the creation of a private cloud infrastructure using VMware's virtualization technologies. • Microsoft Azure Stack: Allows organizations to run Azure services on-premises for a private cloud environment. • OpenStack: An open-source cloud platform that organizations can use to build private clouds. <p>Public Cloud: A public cloud is a type of cloud computing deployment model where computing resources, such as virtual machines, storage, and applications, are provided as services over the internet by third-party service providers. These resources are made available to the general public or a large industry group and are hosted in data centers that may be geographically distributed.</p> <p>Example Providers:</p>	1	7

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	<p>Amazon Web Services (AWS): Offers a wide range of services, including computing power, storage, and databases.</p> <p>Microsoft Azure: Provides cloud services for computing, analytics, storage, and networking.</p> <p>Community Cloud: A community cloud is a type of cloud computing deployment model where infrastructure is shared by several organizations that have common computing concerns, such as regulatory compliance and industry-specific requirements. Unlike the public cloud, where services are made available to the general public, and the private cloud, which is dedicated to a single organization, a community cloud is shared by a specific community of users with shared goals and interests. patient data securely while complying with healthcare regulations.</p> <p>Hybrid Cloud: It combines elements of both public and private clouds, allowing data and applications to be shared between them.</p> <p>Example Providers:</p> <p>AWS Outposts: Extends AWS infrastructure to on-premises locations for a consistent hybrid experience.</p> <p>Azure Hybrid Cloud: Microsoft's solution for integrating on-premises data centers with Azure services.</p> <p>Google Anthos: Enables the management of applications across on-premises, Google Cloud, and other clouds.</p>		
12	<p>On-demand computing in cloud computing refers to the ability to quickly and easily access computing resources and services whenever they are needed, without requiring manual intervention or long-term commitments. It allows users to provision and utilize computing resources on a pay-as-you-go basis, aligning costs with actual usage.</p> <p>With on-demand computing, users can request and obtain resources from the cloud provider in a self-service manner, usually through web-based interfaces or APIs. The cloud provider dynamically allocates and provisions the requested resources, such as virtual machines, storage, and networking, based on the user's specifications.</p> <p>Key aspects of on-demand computing include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resource Provisioning: Users can request computing resources on-demand, without needing to own or maintain the underlying physical infrastructure. The cloud provider automatically allocates and provisions the requested resources based on availability and the user's requirements. 2. Instant Availability: On-demand computing enables quick access to computing resources. Users can obtain the resources within minutes or even seconds, allowing them to rapidly scale up or down based on their needs. This agility is especially beneficial during peak periods or sudden spikes in demand. 3. Flexibility and Scalability: On-demand computing allows users to easily scale their resources up or down as required. They can increase resource capacity during periods of high demand and 	2	7

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	<p>decrease it when demand subsides. This scalability ensures optimal resource utilization and cost-efficiency.</p> <p>4. Pay-as-you-go Model: With on-demand computing, users pay only for the resources they consume. Costs are typically based on usage metrics such as the number of virtual machine hours, storage capacity, network bandwidth, or data transfer. This pay-as-you-go model eliminates the need for upfront investments and provides cost transparency and control.</p> <p>5. Self-Service Provisioning: On-demand computing emphasizes self-service, empowering users to provision resources autonomously. Users can select the desired resource configurations, specify the quantity, and initiate the provisioning process themselves. This self-service capability reduces administrative overhead and enables faster deployment of applications and services.</p> <p>6. Dynamic Allocation: On-demand computing relies on the cloud provider's ability to dynamically allocate and de-allocate resources based on user demand. This dynamic allocation ensures efficient resource utilization across multiple users and allows the provider to optimize their infrastructure for maximum efficiency.</p>		
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