

GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-7d): Cloud Computing

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GE 7d: Cloud Computing	4	3	0	1	Pass in Class XII	NIL

Course Objective:

The objective of an undergraduate cloud computing course is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of cloud computing technologies, services, and applications.

Course Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Apply knowledge of the fundamental concepts and principles of cloud computing, including virtualization, scalability, reliability, and security.
2. to design, develop, and deploy cloud-based applications using popular cloud platforms and services.
3. apply knowledge of cloud computing architectures, including Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), and Software as a Service (SaaS).
4. visualize the economic, legal, and ethical implications of cloud computing, including issues related to data privacy, ownership, and security.
5. evaluate and select cloud-based solutions based on their technical, economic, and business requirements.
6. gain an understanding of the broader societal and environmental impacts of cloud-based services and applications.

Syllabus:

Unit 1: Overview of Computing Paradigm (6 hours)

Recent trends in Computing: Grid Computing, Cluster Computing, Distributed Computing, Utility Computing, Cloud Computing,

Unit 2: Introduction to Cloud Computing (7 hours)

Introduction to Cloud Computing, History of Cloud Computing, Cloud service providers, Benefits and limitations of Cloud Computing.

Unit 3: Cloud Computing Architecture (12 hours)

Comparison with traditional computing architecture (client/server), Services provided at various levels, Service Models- Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), Software as a Service (SaaS), How Cloud Computing Works, Deployment Models- Public cloud, Private cloud, Hybrid cloud, Community cloud, Case study of NIST architecture.

Unit 4: Case Studies (7 hours)

Case study of the Service model using Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Azure, and Eucalyptus.

Unit 5: Cloud Computing Management (6 hours)

Service Level Agreements (SLAs), Billing & Accounting, Comparing Scaling Hardware: Traditional vs. Cloud, Economics of scaling.

Unit 6: Cloud Computing Security (7 hours)

Infrastructure Security- Network level security, Host level security, Application level security, Data security and Storage- Data privacy and security Issues, Jurisdictional issues raised by Data location, Authentication in cloud computing.

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Suggested Practical List:

1. Introduction to Cloud Platforms

Objective: Familiarize students with cloud platforms and their interfaces.

Steps:

- a) Create free-tier accounts on AWS, Azure, and GCP.
- b) Explore dashboards and identify key services (compute, storage, networking).
- c) Understand pricing calculators on each platform.

2. Launch Your First Amazon EC2 Instance

Objective: Deploy a virtual machine on AWS using Amazon EC2.

Steps:

- a) Launch an EC2 instance from the AWS Management Console.
- b) Use a pre-configured AMI (e.g., Amazon Linux 2).
- c) Configure security groups to allow SSH access.
- d) Connect to the instance using SSH.

3. Set Up a VPC

Objective: Create and configure a Virtual Private Cloud (VPC).

Steps:

- a) Create a custom VPC with a public and private subnet.
- b) Launch an EC2 instance in the public subnet and another in the private subnet.

- c) Configure an Internet Gateway for Internet access in the public subnet.
- d) Use a NAT Gateway to provide internet access for instances in the private subnet.

4. Configure Auto Scaling and Load Balancing

Objective: Set up an auto-scaling group and a load balancer

Steps:

- a) Create an Auto Scaling Group and define a launch template.
- b) Configure scaling policies (e.g., scale up when CPU utilization exceeds 70%).
- c) Deploy an Application Load Balancer (ALB) to distribute traffic.
- d) Test auto-scaling by simulating high traffic.

5. Deploying a Static Website on the Cloud

Objective: Host a static website using cloud storage services.

Steps:

- a) Deploy a static website using any of the following:
 - AWS S3
 - Azure Blob Storage
 - GCP Cloud Storage
- b) Configure permissions and enable public access.

6. Monitor Resources Using AWS CloudWatch

Objective: Use CloudWatch to monitor AWS resources

Steps

- a) Set up CloudWatch metrics for an EC2 instance (e.g., CPU utilization).
- b) Create a CloudWatch Alarm to send notifications when a threshold is exceeded.
- c) Configure an SNS topic for email notifications.
- d) Test the setup by simulating high CPU usage.

7. Install OpenStack

Objective: Set up a local OpenStack environment for practice.

8. Launch Your First Instance

Objective: Create a virtual machine (VM) using OpenStack.

Steps:

- a) Create a project and assign roles to users.
- b) Upload an image (e.g., Ubuntu cloud image) to the Glance service.

- c) Define a flavor to specify VM configurations.
- d) Launch an instance using the Horizon dashboard or CLI.

Resources Needed:

- OpenStack Horizon access or CLI setup.
- Sample Ubuntu or CentOS cloud image (from [Ubuntu Cloud Images](#)).

9. Set Up Networking

Objective: Configure OpenStack Neutron to provide networking for instances.

Steps:

- a) Create a private network and a public network.
- b) Attach a router to connect the private network to the public network.
- c) Assign floating IPs to instances for external access.

10. Cloud Security

Objective: Understand security practices in the cloud.

Steps:

- a) Implement IAM roles and policies for a cloud platform.
- b) Create and assign least-privilege roles to users.
- c) Configure data encryption for storage (e.g., S3 bucket encryption).
- d) Set up a firewall rule and test its functionality.

GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-7e): ETHICAL HACKING

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