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# Nimbus TSS Cloud Execution Environment

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# Why Cloud



Old World:  
Infrastructure in **Weeks**



## Lower the Barriers to Entry

- Design environments preconfigured
- Dynamic, flexible storage and compute

AWS:  
Infrastructure in **Minutes**



## Leverage IT Innovations at Commercial Timescales

- FPGA enabled instances
- GPU instances
- Deep learning APIs
- Multiple hi-performance database engines

**What's New with AWS**  
The AWS Cloud platform expands daily.



## Collaborative Environment

- Project members share a common workspace
- Individual access control to IP, foundry PDKs



## Cloud Access to DoD Specific Resources

- Cadence Palladium Z1 Emulator



## TRUSTED SILICON STRATUS

Joint Federated Assurance Center Distributed Transition Environment

Public Cloud	Restricted Cloud	Government Cloud
Commercial and Academic Use	Developmental ITAR U.S. Persons Only	Government Operational U.S. Persons Only
<a href="http://www.trustedstratus.org">www.trustedstratus.org</a>	<a href="http://www.trustedstratus.com">www.trustedstratus.com</a>	<a href="http://www.trustedstratus.us">www.trustedstratus.us</a>

- Non-US Persons OK
- Two-Factor Optional
- Target Users
  - Academia
  - Commercial

- US Persons Only (ITAR)
- Two-Factor Required
- Target Users
  - Contractors
  - Commercial

- US Persons Only (CUI)
- CAC Card or Equivalent
- Target Users
  - Government
  - Contractors

# TSS Current User Base



*Growing User Community with increased maturity and awareness*

## Pilot Activity

- ~200 users
- 2 Multi-site advanced node tapeouts

## Multi-site collaboration



## Shared Environment

- Rapid cloud orchestration
- Isolated from other performers
- Shared elastic resources

## Dynamic resources

- Scale resources as needed for architectural trade studies
- Clone preconfigured development environments
- Instances with root (sudo)



# Building Projects on the Cloud

## (Cloud Orchestration)



### Project Owner

- Create project
- Configure Licensing
  - Bring your own
  - Subscribe to existing
- Invite users to the project
- Provision shared resources
  - Elastic simulation farm
  - GIT server
  - Palladium Access

### Project Members

- Accept invitation
  - Create account, if needed
- Create repos
  - Shared or private
  - Upload data to them
- Create instance(s)
  - Select machine type
  - Select drive size
- Attach repo(s) to instances
- Launch instances

# Use Case: Dev Environments



User configures a Gnome instance with root (sudo) rights



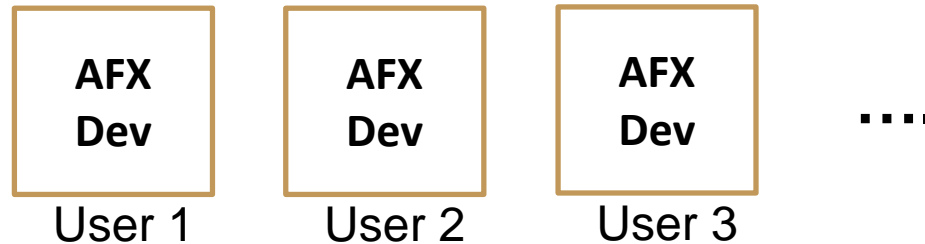
User customizes the instance for project development



Nimbus creates a snapshot of the configured environment



Project users can now launch this new image type from custom catalog





# Performer Isolation



## Is my data safe on the cloud?

Security & compliance is a **shared responsibility**

Performer

Nimbus



Customer applications & content

Platform, Applications, Identity & Access Management

Operating System, Network, & Firewall Configuration

Client-side Data Encryption

Server-side Data Encryption

Network Traffic Protection

Customers have their choice of security configurations **IN** the Cloud



AWS Foundation Services

Compute

Storage

Database

Networking

AWS is responsible for the security **OF** the Cloud

AWS Global Infrastructure

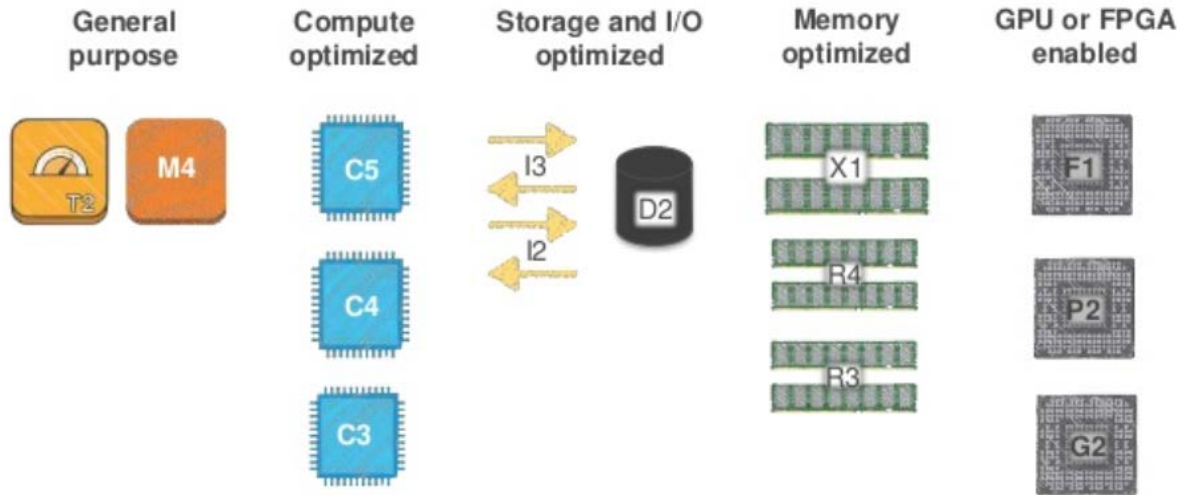
Availability Zones

Regions

Edge Locations



## AWS Instance types



Subject to constraints from the project owner, users can spin up as many instances as needed, of whatever type best suits the job at hand, or take advantage of dynamically scalable compute farms.

Instances have varying combinations of resources

- # and type of cpus
- Amount of RAM
- Storage size, type, and speed

# Questions?

