

The Science of Cloud Access:

Demystifying IAM for Beginners Webinar



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- ★ Commonly used flavours include
 - Infrastructure as a Service (laas)
 - Platform as a Service (PaaS)
 - Software as a Service (SaaS)



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 - Programmatically through official Software Development
 Kits (SDKs) available in multiple languages
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 - Federated Identities/Single Sign On (SSO)



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★ Streamlines access control through objects like policies, roles, etc





AUTHENTICATION

AUTHORIZATION

★ Part of Identity service

Part of Access
Management service



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- ★ Part of Identity service
- ★ Process to verify user identity

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- Part of Access Management service
- Used to verify the authenticated user's access to resources



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IAM IN CLOUD



Resource provisioning directly in AWS Account



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★ GCP

Resource provisioning in containers called Projects



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- ★ Overly permissive policies
- ★ Wildcard access to resources





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- ★ Last but not least, audit IAM regularly





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