

Challenges in managing large cloud, AI and IT estates

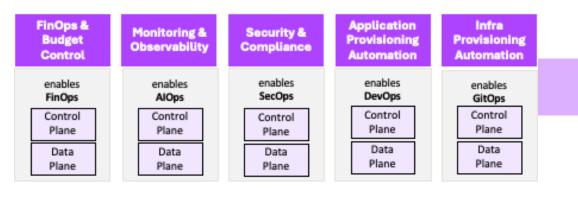
Explosion in number of services, tools and processes together with use of emerging AI technologies is generating new challenges for usage and governance

	Controlling Complexity	Establishing Governance	Managing Cloud Spend	Assessing Business Impact	Speed and Agility
Hybrid Cloud Challenges Today	 Multi-cloud management Legacy processes, tools and system integration High volume and constantly changing integration landscape High volume of unstructured data 	 No clear view against compliance and IT process standards Variance in compliance levels across cloud IT estate; difficult to manage drift 	 Fragmented visibility on cloud spend Lack of accountability on cloud spend Difficult to forecast spend 	 Lack of correlation between cloud performance and business services and applications Lack of decision simulations Cross-domain use cases difficult due to silo'd tools and processes 	 Lacking automation for day 1 and day 2 operations Lacking specialized cloud skills and continuous training and development Cloud service provider and tools vendor lock-in hampers agility
Challenges added by AI implementation	 Integrating AI with hybrid infrastructure Deploying and managing AI model Requires specialized skills and knowledge 	 Governing responsible Al usage and navigating regulations Protecting data privacy while maintaining transparency LLM access control 	 Managing and predicting Al infrastructure costs Allocating resources efficiently Measuring return on Al investments 	 Aligning AI with business goals and managing change for AI adoption Monitoring AI performance Balancing innovation and stability 	 Rapid AI prototyping Scaling AI solutions Adapting AI models quickly

Organizations need a new approach to managing cloud and AI complexity



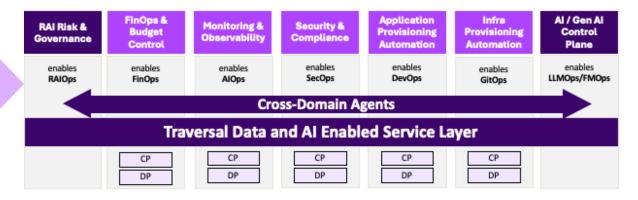
From domain-specific tools, processes, decisioning...



Cloud Service Providers

- Traditional KPIs (cost, tickets, vulnerabilities, etc.)
- No data sharing or integrated strategies across cloud management practices
- Disparate data sources and reporting tools that provide insights, but no ability to action those insights
- Lack of enterprise-level cloud foundations and governance
- Lack of digital skills and awareness of data-driven opportunities across the business





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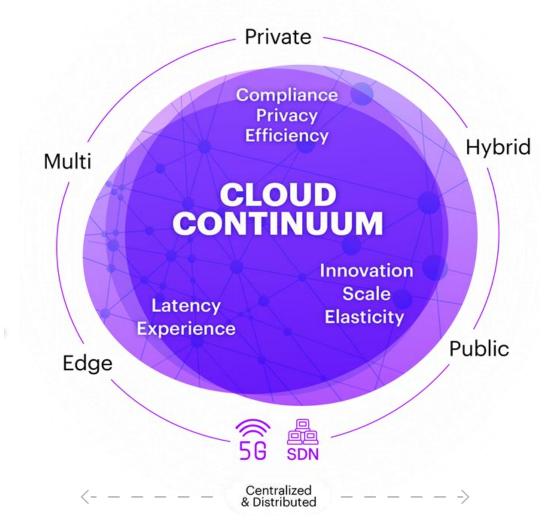
- KPIs reflecting full business objectives and value tree
- Cross-domain data lake facilitating identification of new opportunities for business optimization
- Cross-domain services to industrialize and scale cloud foundation and establish consistent governance at enterprise level
- Foundational AI/GenAI capabilities enabling cross-domain agents to simplify complexity, increase efficiency and agility
- Extended domain coverage to address responsible usage of AI/GenAI across enterprise



What is Continuum Control Plane?

Continuum Control Plane allows to bring under control cloud complexity creating a foundation for innovation

- A holistic approach to managing the cloud continuum,
- Allows developers/operators to automate common tasks and workflows, at scale
- Not a single tool or platform, but an amalgamation of new processes and technologies



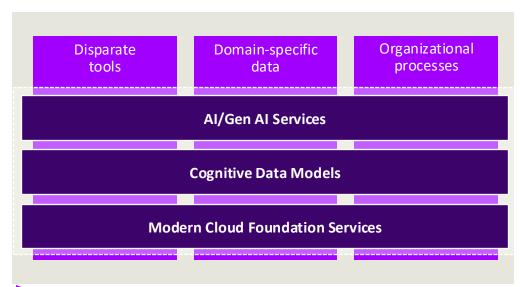


How we're evolving to meet AI and GenAI

CCP is a unified command, control and orchestration center for single, hybrid and multi-cloud IT estates. The latest updates expands capabilities to provide visibility into an Enterprises' AI capabilities, and embeds AI into the product to help users get to insights and actions faster. We do this via two modules:

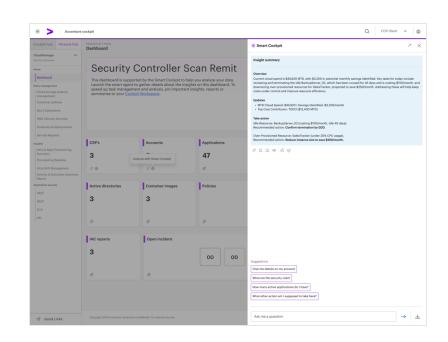
Accenture Glass ™

- Horizonal foundation services that bring together data and metadata and simplify integrations to cloud IT estate and tools resulting in a unified view and actions capability across the estate
- Semantic layer with domain specific data models to generate understanding out of insights abstracting away from complexity of underlying raw data
- Agent services that provide the ability to create and deploy agents securely to support the needs of the business to optimize ROI on the cloud IT investments and projects



Accenture Cockpit ™

- A set of pre-defined AI agents that support business owners and operational staff to plan, manage and execute their cross-domain tasks more effectively
- A personalized hub centralizing insights to the user on their specific area of operations and smart cockpit to interact with the agents to get support on cross-domain tasks to achieve the required outcome faster



Introducing AI agents

CCP Glass and Cockpit work together to enable AI agents, and help users get to value faster.



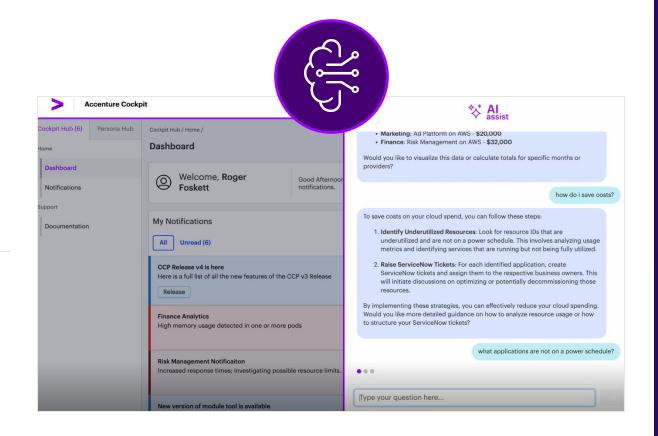
How it works

- A semantic layer powered by Splunk
- Generative AI engine connects siloed data and provides a semantic layer on top
- Built-in Al agents help users interact with data across domains, tools and systems
- Agents assist with analyzing, planning and executing actions across the IT landscape



Why it matters

- Users save time by getting the data and insights they need from a single source of truth
- Agents collaborate with users to execute tasks, so that users can focus on their most important work
- Organizations reduce dependence on pre-configured tasks and dashboards, enabling them to pivot to meet mission-critical needs



Process before CCP with Glass and Cockpit:

FinOps example

Start





Question Raised

What is our cloud spend, and how can we optimize it?

Compile Data

Traverse multiple systems and tools to identify spend for the business's cloud estates.

Analyze Data

Review the resulting financial data, and decide the spend seems high. How can it be reduced?



Research Solutions

Research options to reduce cloud spend via desktop research and conversations with SMEs.



Identify Stakeholders

Use company intranet to look up who owns those apps.



Identify Apps

Reach out to Infrastructure team to learn which apps are not on a power schedule.



Identify Solution

Based on research, decide to explore putting underutilized resources on a power schedule.



Raise Tickets

Log in to ServiceNow and raise tickets requesting that app owners institute power schedules.



Follow Up

Continue to log in and check ServiceNow to understand ticket progress.



Changes Implemented

Confirm that tickets have been closed, power schedules implemented, and wait to see how spend changes over the next month



Process Complete

Results

Compile and analyze numbers across systems and tools to understand how much money has been saved by implementing power schedules.



Process with CCP Glass and Cockpit

FinOps example

Question Raised

FinOps practitioner asks Cockpit Al agent, "What is our cloud spend, and how can we optimize it?"





The Al agent...

Compiles Data

Crawls disparate systems to compile spend data in seconds.

Identifies Solution

Suggests putting underutilized apps on a power schedule to reduce costs.

Identifies Apps

Shows what apps are not on a power schedule.

Identifies Stakeholders

Identifies app owners

Raises Tickets

Raises ServiceNow tickets requesting that app owners institute power schedules.

Reports On Results

Reports on ticket status and compiles updated numbers based on power schedule implementation.

Faster Results From One Unified Control Center A project that would previously have taken days or weeks, can be completed in minutes from one conversational UI interface, with help from Cockpit's AI agent.





To learn more





<u>Continuum Control</u> <u>Plane</u>

