VERSUS

THIS IS *SaaS*

WHAT IS IT?
SaaS is an acronym and stands for software as a service. This enables users to connect and use cloud-based apps over the Internet. Common examples include email & file storage.

WHY SHOULD I CARE?
Most software is available as SaaS. This means that they don't require extensive hardware, are typically paid within a subscription model, and get updated regularly over the internet.

THIS IS HOW IT WORKS
An easy way to understand the SaaS model is by looking at a bank. They protect the privacy of your account but also provide a service that is most reliable and secure on a massive scale.

WHO IS IT FOR?
SaaS models help companies and consumers with smaller budgets to spread the total cost over time. The benefit of using software for a short amount of time is also a great benefit.

WHEN DOES IT MAKE SENSE?
If you don't want to spend a huge amount of money, you want to be always up-to-date but are willing to go with a subscription-based model, SaaS is most likely the best choice for you.

DIFFERENCE

FACT 1
SaaS is often only one or multiple applications and does not offer the infrastructure itself compared to PaaS.

FACT 2
A PaaS solution has the intention to offer a place to build apps and is primarily used by developers and IT staff.

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THIS IS *PaaS*

WHAT IS IT?
PaaS is an acronym and stands for Platform as a service. It is a type of cloud offering that delivers application infrastructure capabilities as a service like Microsoft Azure or the SAP Cloud.

WHY SHOULD I CARE?
For many, a PaaS solution is often their sweet spot for ready-to-use components and utilities designed specifically for that type of app development they are looking for in the company.

THIS IS HOW IT WORKS
When SaaS is your bank, then PaaS is your heavy equipment and power tools necessary to rapidly build that bank. Users typically access a PaaS solution via the internet and their web browser.

WHO IS IT FOR?
PaaS is often used by developers who are building software or applications. It also simplifies the process for IT as the steps required for the foundation of app development gets heavily reduced.

WHEN DOES IT MAKE SENSE?
If you need to maintain a physical development infrastructure and would like to have the flexibility to scale your environment, PaaS could be something interesting you should consider.