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· computing == fungible utility!

. limitations exist: API lock-in, hardware dependence, latency, privacy, security ...





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Amazon Outage Disrupts Lives, Surprising People About Their Cloud **Dependency**

When Amazon Web Services was interrupted, some vacuum cleaners, light switches and cat-food dispensers stopped working



Big tech firms are investing in data centers as they compete for the \$214 billion cloud computing market. WSJ explains what cloud computing is, why big tech is betting big on future contracts. (Video from 11/19/19)

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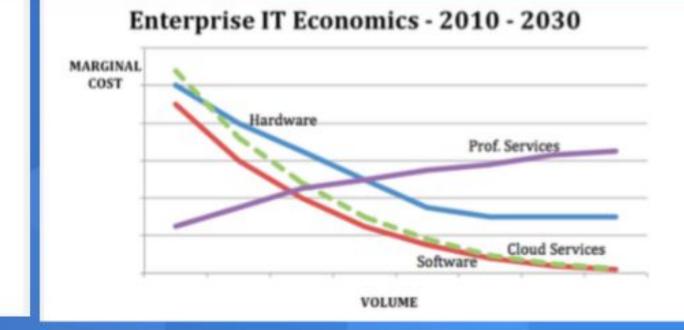


Cloud Economics - Where's the Margin?



MARGINAL COST Hardware Prof. Services Outsourcing Software

Post-Cloud Era



Source: Wikibon

In the 70s, commercial software began with the founding of Microsoft, Oracle, and SAP.

In the 80s, objectoriented programming made software reusable and increased its scale and capability dramatically.

1990

Software 1.0

Code Written by Humans

In the 2000s, the Internet democratized software, growing the market from millions to billions of people.

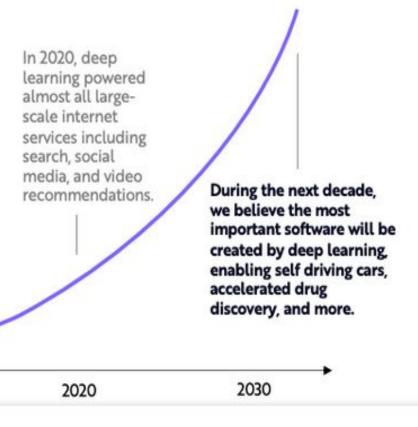
2000

In 2012, deep neural networks won the ImageNet challenge, marking the beginning of the deep learning or "software 2.0" era.

2010

2015*

Software 2.0 Code Written by Data









ARM Could Become The New Standard In The Cloud

- The public cloud, the default platform for deploying new applications, generated \$140 billion in global revenues in 2020.
- Amazon Web Services (AWS)—the largest public cloud provider in the world—launched the Graviton 2 ARM CPU in 2020, reducing its need to purchase chips from Intel and AMD.
- AWS Graviton 2 is cheaper and faster than Intel CPUs, offering 48% higher performance per dollar.
- In the future, AWS is likely to migrate most of its servers to ARM based processors.



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Top Threats to Cloud Computing

- Data Breaches (1)
- 2. Misconfiguration and Inadequate Change Control
- 3. Lack of Cloud Security Architecture and Strategy
- 4. Insufficient Identity, Credential, Access and Key Management
- 5. Account Hijacking (5)
- 6. Insider Threat (6)
- 7. Insecure Interfaces and APIs (3)
- 8. Weak Control Plane
- 9. Metastructure and Applistructure Failures
- 10. Limited Cloud Usage Visibility
- 11. Abuse and Nefarious Use of Cloud Services (10)

https://cloudsecurityalliance.org/artifacts/top-threats-to-cloud-computing-egregious-eleven/





Investment in cloud security must match cloud spend

In the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a rapid uptick in demand for cloud services. Utilizing data pulled from our global array of sensors, our elite cloud threat researchers found a correlation: Organizations globally increased their cloud workloads by more than 20%, leading to an explosion of security incidents. Our research shows that cloud security programs for organizations globally are still in their infancy when it comes to security automation (i.e., DevSecOps and shift left). We concluded that rapid cloud scale and complexity without automated security controls embedded across the entire development pipeline are a toxic combination.

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Matthew Chiodi Chief Security Officer, Public Cloud





Cloud Growth vs. Cloud Security Incidents

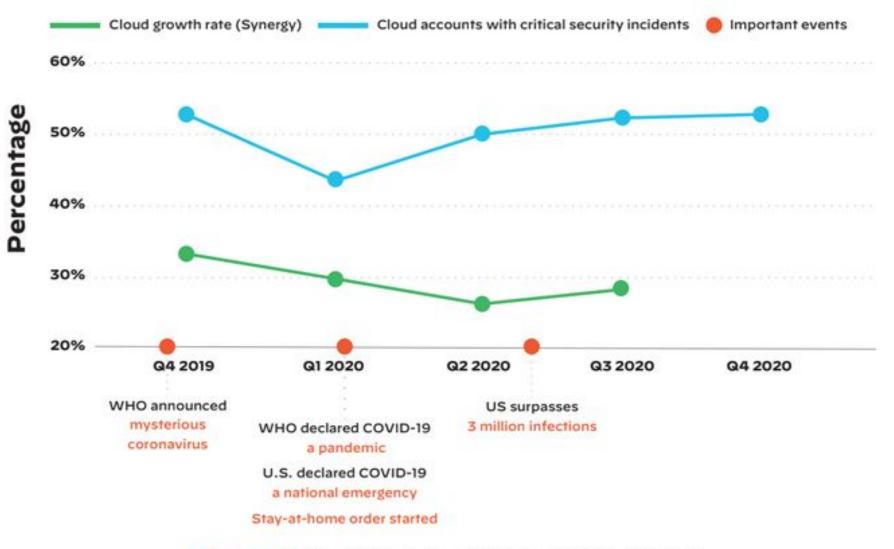


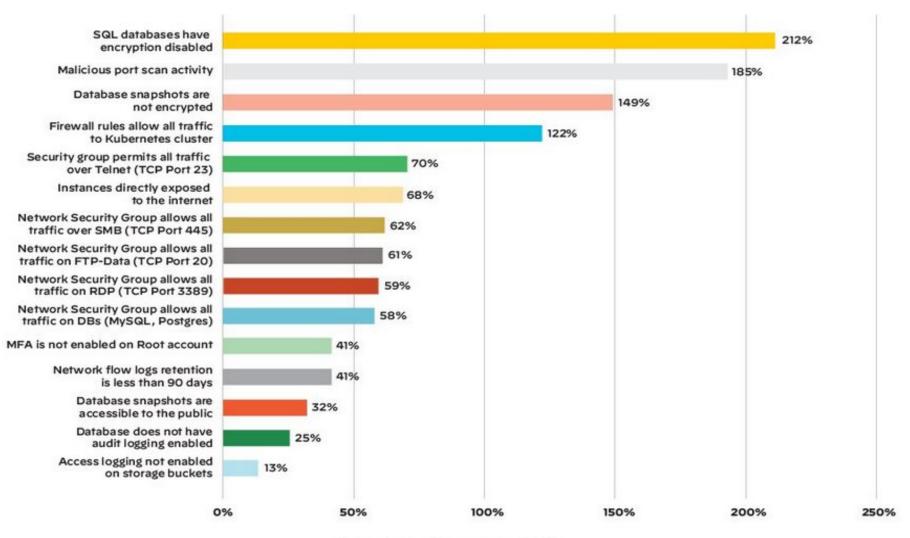
Figure 1: Cloud growth and security incidents



70%

EMEA

Security incidents with the biggest increase







COVID-19 and Data Security

Businesses are favoring cloud storage due to its reliability, availability, and scalability. Our research shows that 64% of data in the cloud contains sensitive information (e.g., PII, intellectual property, healthcare and financial data). Within that 64% subset, 69% contains PII, and 34% contains intellectual property (see figure 8).

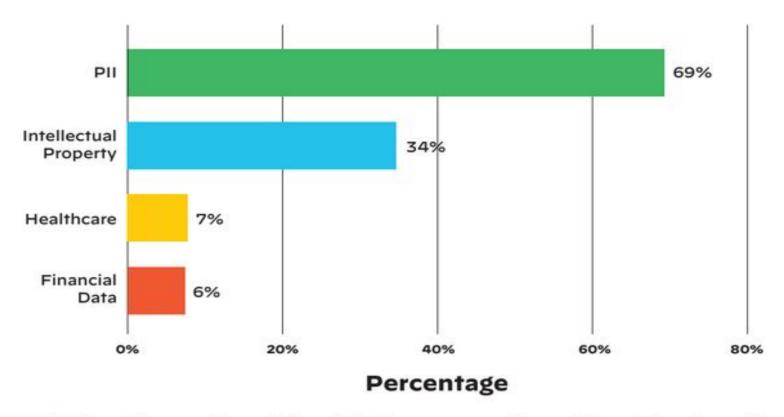


Figure 8: Prevalence of sensitive data types among sensitive data stored in clouds





Mining Trends and Market Events



Figure 10: Comparison of cryptomining connections and XMR price





Cloud Governance







Shared Responsibility Model

Responsibility	On prem	ises lac	25 80	Sac Sac	25 86	Compan,	Controls Cuide	Cls Foul Benchme	notations arks ons
Data classification and accountability	·							V	~
Client and end-point protection								V	~
Identity and access management								V	✓
Application-level controls								V	~
Network controls								V	✓
Host infrastructure								V	
Physical security									





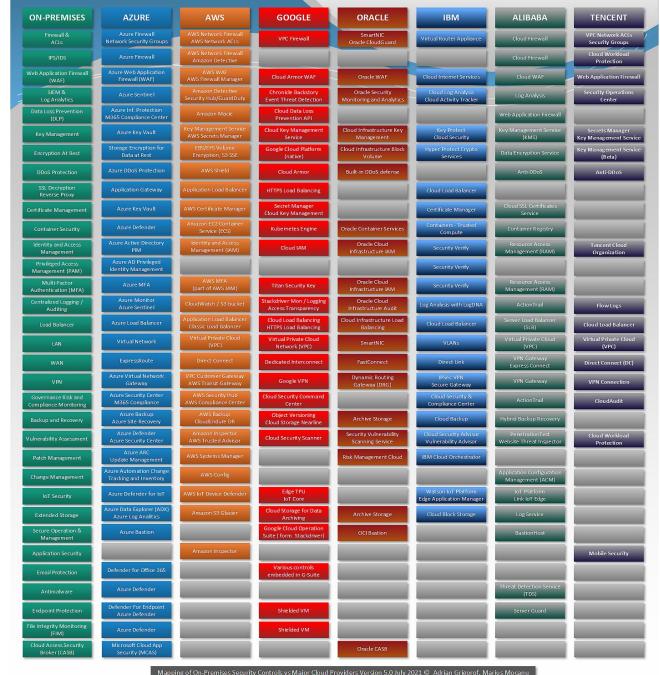


Cloud Security Mapping



Mapping of
On-Premises
Security
Controls Versus
Services Offered
by Major Cloud
Providers









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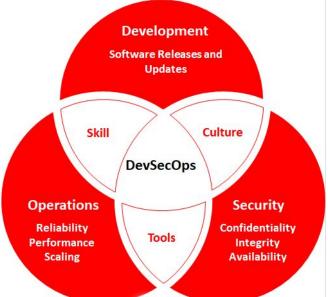
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Log4Shell

Critical Log4j Vulnerability
Threatens Major Internet Players



vulnerability in Apache Log4j which affects many major internetfacing services. Log4j is a Java logging package that's used in many popular services and utilities. With a CVSS score of 10, this vulnerability (CVE-2021-44228) impacts Apache Log4j versions 2.0-beta9 to 2.14.1 according to Apache.





IDENTITY & SECURITY

Log4Shell

Critical Log / Walnerability
or WAF rule to help net Players

Google Cloud Armor WAF rule to help mitigate CVE-2021-44228 Apache Log4j vulnerability

README.md

Logout4Shell





Description



However, enabling these system property requires access to the vulnerable servers as well as a restart. The Cybereason research team has developed the following code that *exploits* the same vulnerability and the payload therein forces the logger to reconfigure itself with the vulnerable setting disabled - this effectively blocks any further attempt to exploit Log4Shell on this server.

This Proof of Concept is based on @tangxiaofeng7's tangxiaofeng7/apache-log4j-poc

SOFT LAW & CLOUD PROVIDERS





International standards (ISOs) would be part of the Soft Law that, although not mandatory, establishes the principles of quality in the provision of cloud services by the companies that comply with them.

The most relevant ISO in the provision of cloud services would be:

ISO 27001: For information security management systems. It focuses on risk assessment and the application of essential controls for their mitigation and elimination.

ISO 27002: Good practice guide that describes the control objectives and recommended controls in relation to information security.

ISO / IEC 27017: Security controls for cloud services. It focuses on aspects of responsibility, elimination and return of assets at the end of the contract, operations and administrative procedures, ...

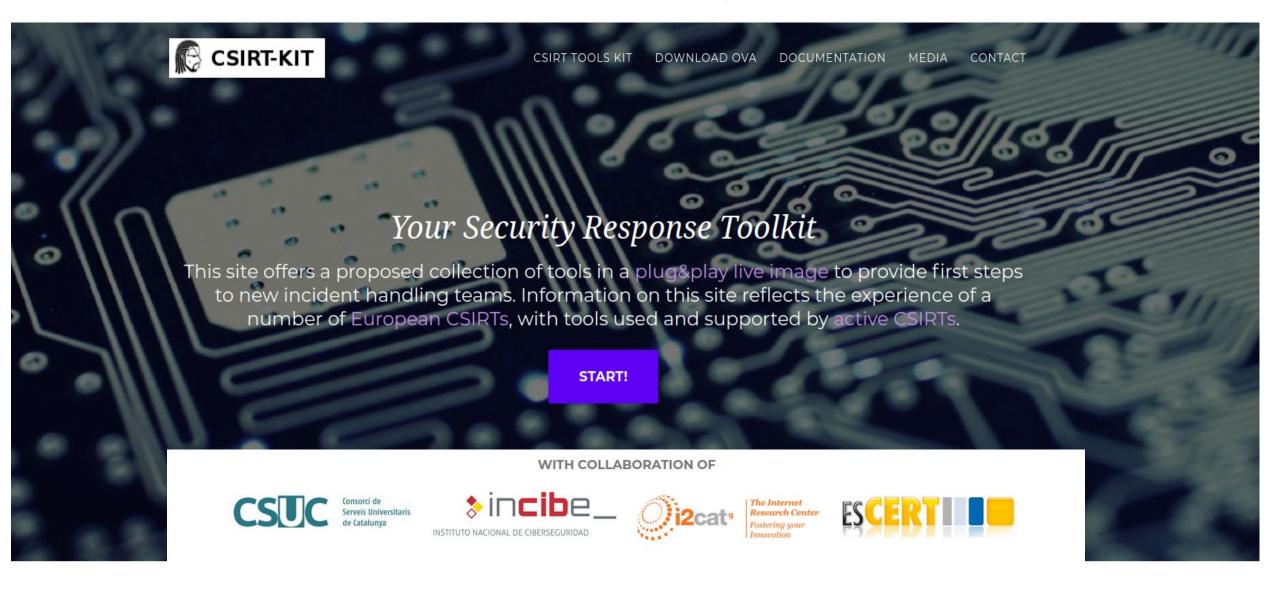
ISO / IEC 27018: For the control of data protection in Cloud services.

It is also important to highlight the National Institute of Standards and Technology Framework (NIST) and the Cloud Security Alliance (CSA) which is a voluntary tool intended to help organizations identify and manage the risk of privacy to build innovative products and services, protecting the privacy of people.





https://csirt-kit.org





Trending TOPIC: Sovereign Clouds

Gartner Says Four Trends Are Shaping the Future of Public Cloud

Regional Cloud Ecosystems

Growing geopolitical regulatory fragmentation, protectionism and industry compliance are driving the creation of new regional and vertical cloud ecosystems and data services. Companies in the financial and public sectors are looking to reduce critical lock-in and single points of failure with their cloud providers outside of their country.

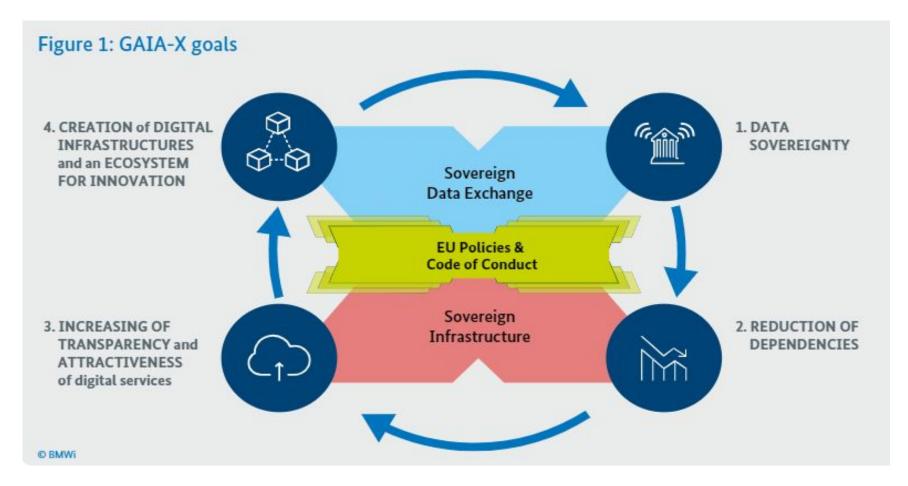
Regions not able to create or sustain their own platform ecosystems will have no choice but to leverage the platforms created in other regions and resort to legislation and regulation to maintain some level of control and sovereignty. Concerns among politicians, academia and tech providers in these regions are increasing, leading to initiatives such as GAIA-X in European countries.



Sovereign Data Driven Clouds: Gaia-X initiative



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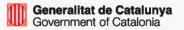
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