



Fortress in the Cloud

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AWS Security and Compliance Center

(<http://aws.amazon.com/security/>)

- Answers to many security & privacy questions
 - Security whitepaper
 - Risk and Compliance whitepaper
- Security best practices
- Security bulletins
- Customer penetration testing
- More information on:
 - AWS Identity & Access Management (AWS IAM)
 - AWS Multi-Factor Authentication (AWS MFA)



Shared Responsibility Model

AWS

- Facilities
- Physical Security
- Physical Infrastructure
- Network Infrastructure
- Virtualization Infrastructure

Customer

- Operating System
- Application
- Security Groups
- OS Firewalls
- Network Configuration
- Account Management

What does AWS do?



Physical Security of Data Centers

- Amazon has been building large-scale data centers for many years
- Important attributes:
 - Non-descript facilities
 - Robust perimeter controls
 - Strictly controlled physical access
 - 2 or more levels of two-factor auth
- Controlled, need-based access
- All access is logged and reviewed
- Separation of Duties
 - employees with physical access don't have logical privileges



AWS Configuration Management

- Most updates are done in such a manner that they will not impact the customer
- Changes are authorized, logged, tested, approved, and documented
- AWS will communicate with customers, either via email, or through the AWS Service Health Dashboard (<http://status.aws.amazon.com/>) when there is a chance they may be affected

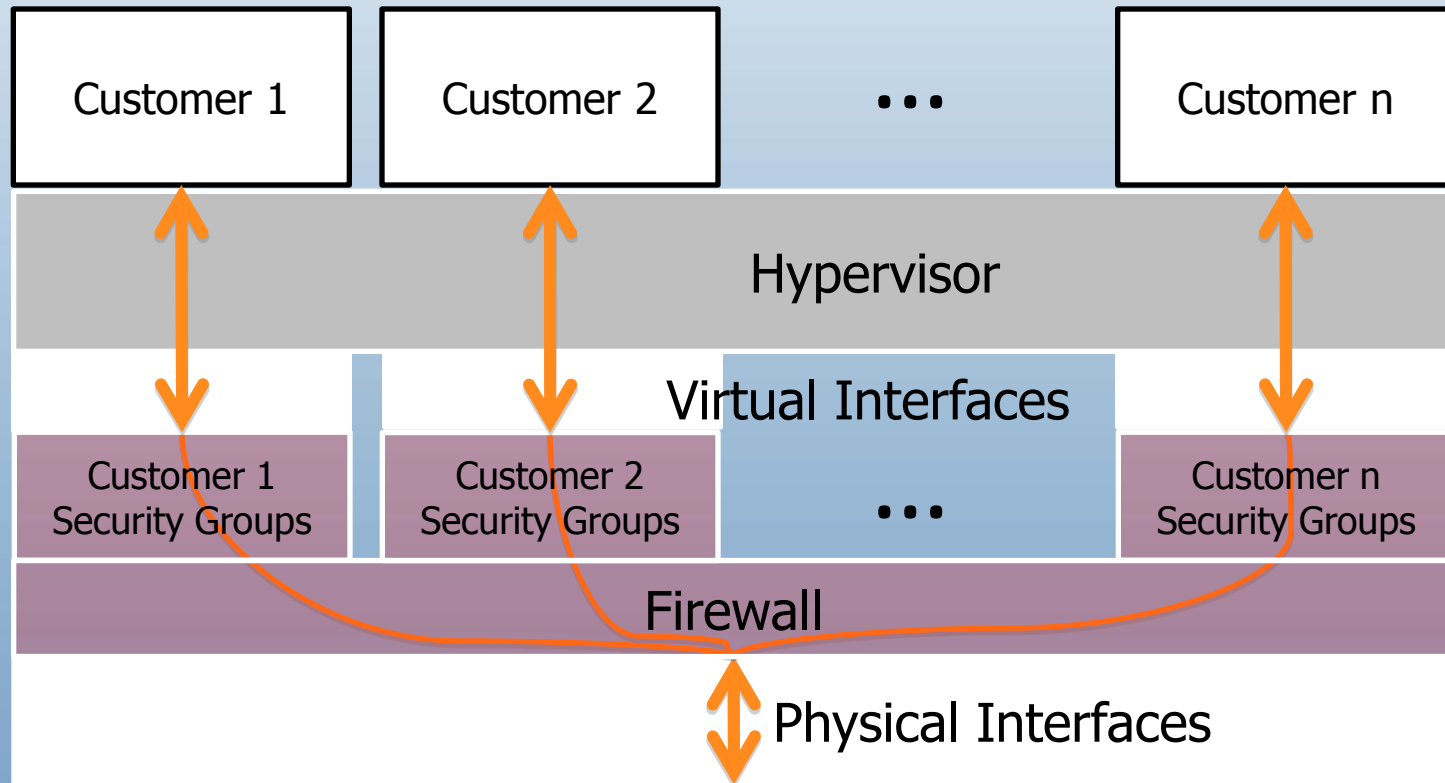
Customers are responsible for change control in their Instances!



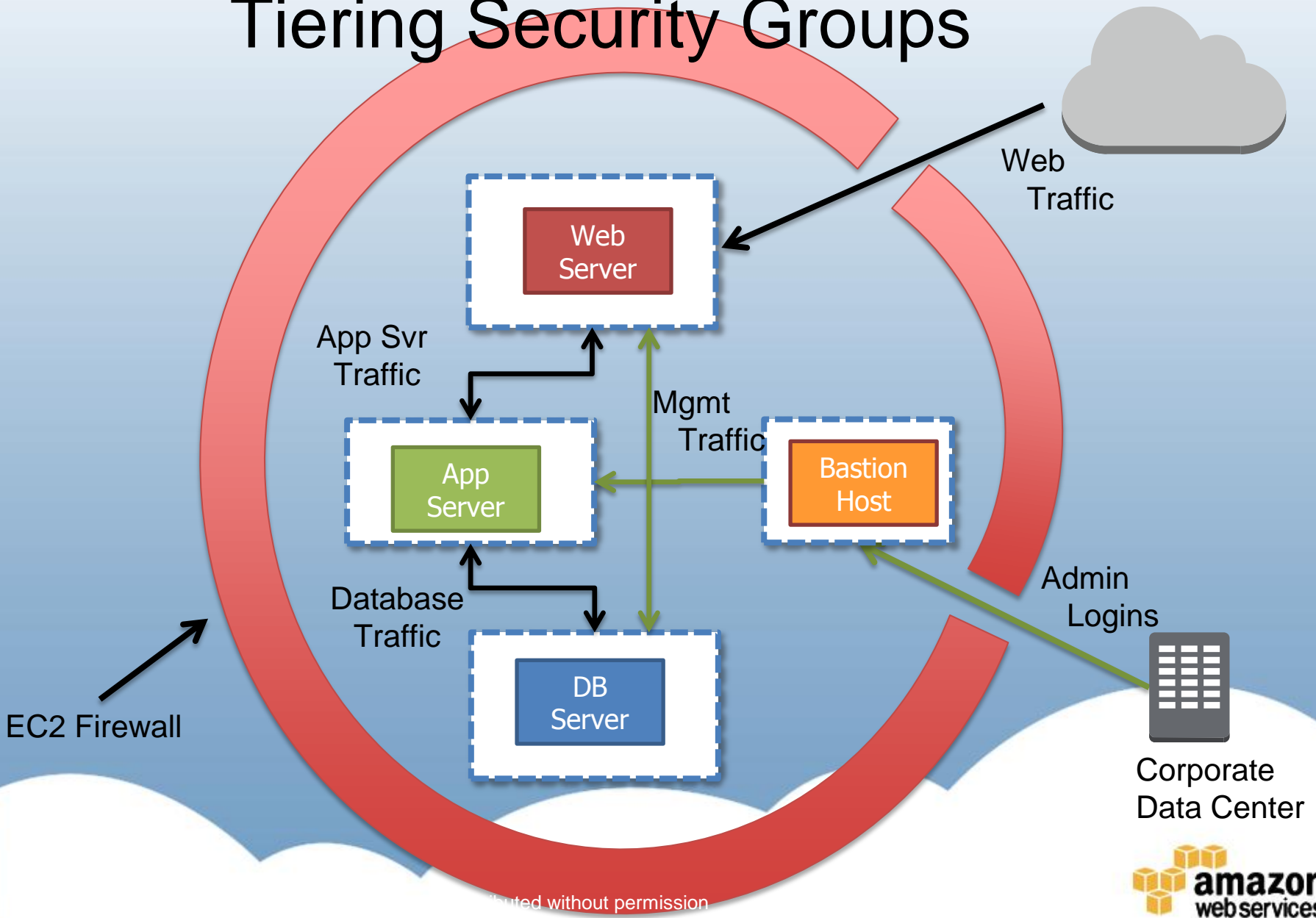
EC2 Security

- Host operating system
 - Individual SSH keyed logins via bastion host for AWS admins
 - All accesses logged and audited
- Guest (a.k.a. Instance) operating system
 - Customer controlled (customer owns root/admin)
 - AWS admins cannot log in
 - Customer-generated keypairs
- Stateful firewall
 - Mandatory inbound firewall, default deny mode
 - Customer controls configuration via Security Groups
- Signed API calls
 - Require X.509 certificate or customer's secret AWS key

Amazon EC2 Instance Isolation



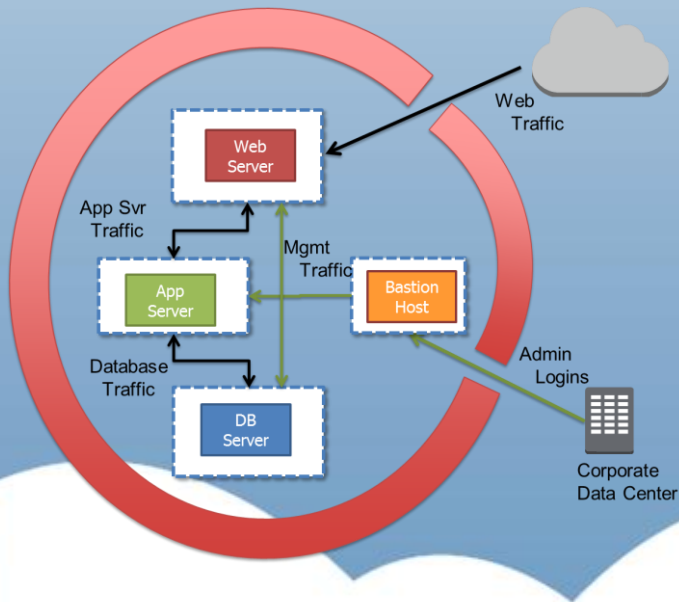
Tiering Security Groups



distributed without permission

Tiered EC2 Security Groups

- Hierarchical Security Group Rules
 - Dynamically created rules
 - Based on Security Group membership
 - Create tiered network architectures

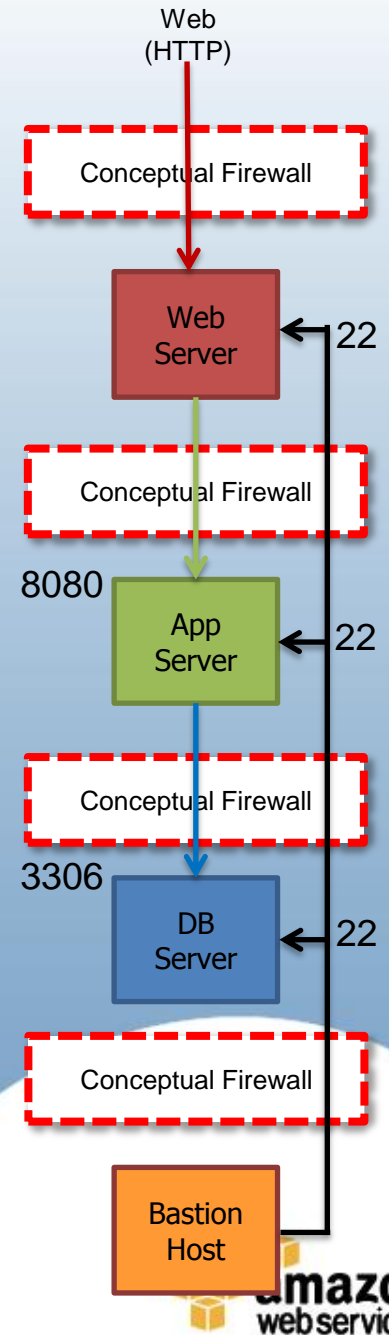


“Web” Security Group:
 TCP 80 0.0.0.0/0
 TCP 22 “Mgmt”

“App” Security Group:
 TCP 8080 “Web”
 TCP 22 “Mgmt”

“DB” Security Group:
 TCP 3306 “App”
 TCP 22 “Mgmt”

“Mgmt” Security Group:
 TCP 22 163.128.25.32/32



Network Security Considerations

- IP Spoofing:
 - Prohibited at host OS level
- Packet Sniffing:
 - Promiscuous mode is ineffective
 - Protection at hypervisor level
- Unauthorized Port Scanning:
 - Violation of AWS TOS
 - Detected, stopped, and blocked
 - Inbound ports blocked by default
- Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS):
 - Standard mitigation techniques in effect
- Man in the Middle (MITM):
 - All endpoints protected by SSL
 - Fresh EC2 host keys generated at boot



Virtual Memory & Local Disk

- Proprietary disk management prevents one Instance from reading the disk contents of another
- Disk is wiped upon creation
- Disks can be encrypted by the customer for an added layer of security



Storage Device Decommissioning

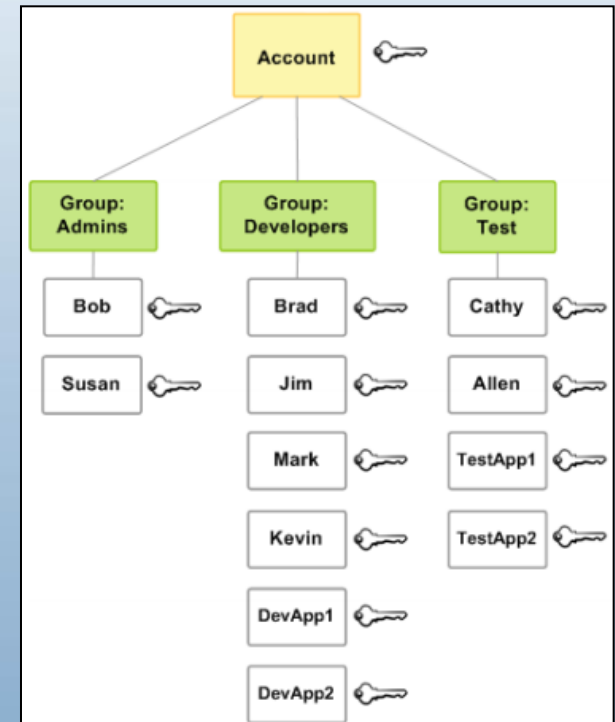
- All storage devices go through process
- Uses techniques from
 - DoD 5220.22-M (“National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual “)
 - NIST 800-88 (“Guidelines for Media Sanitization”)
- Ultimately
 - degaussed
 - physically destroyed

What tools does AWS provide to help build secure systems?



AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

- Users and Groups within Accounts
- Unique security credentials
 - Access keys
 - Login/Password
 - Enforce password complexity
 - optional MFA device
- Policies control access to AWS APIs
- API calls must be signed by either:
 - X.509 certificate
 - secret key
- Deep integration into some Services
 - S3: policies on objects and buckets
 - Simple DB: domains
- AWS Management Console supports User log on
- Not for Operating Systems or Applications
 - use LDAP, Active Directory/ADFS, etc...



AWS Multi-Factor Authentication

- Helps prevent anyone with unauthorized knowledge of your e-mail address and password from impersonating you
- Additional protection for account information
- Works with
 - Master Account
 - IAM Users
- Integrated into
 - AWS Management Console
 - Key pages on the AWS Portal
 - S3 (Secure Delete)



A recommended opt-in security feature!

AWS CloudHSM



- Secure Key Storage
 - Dedicated access to tamper-resistant HSM appliances (SafeNet® Luna SA)
 - Designed to comply with Common Criteria EAL4+ and NIST FIPS 140-2
 - You retain full control of your keys and cryptographic operations
- Contractual and Regulatory Compliance
 - Helps comply with the most stringent regulatory and contractual requirements for key protection.
- Reliable and Durable Key Storage
 - Available in multiple AZs and Regions
- Simple and Secure Connectivity
 - Connected to your VPC
 - Improved Application Performance between EC2 and HSM

Global Infrastructure for Global Companies

GovCloud
(US ITAR
Region)

US West
(Northern
California)

US West
(Oregon)

US East
(Northern
Virginia)

**South
America**
(Sao Paulo)

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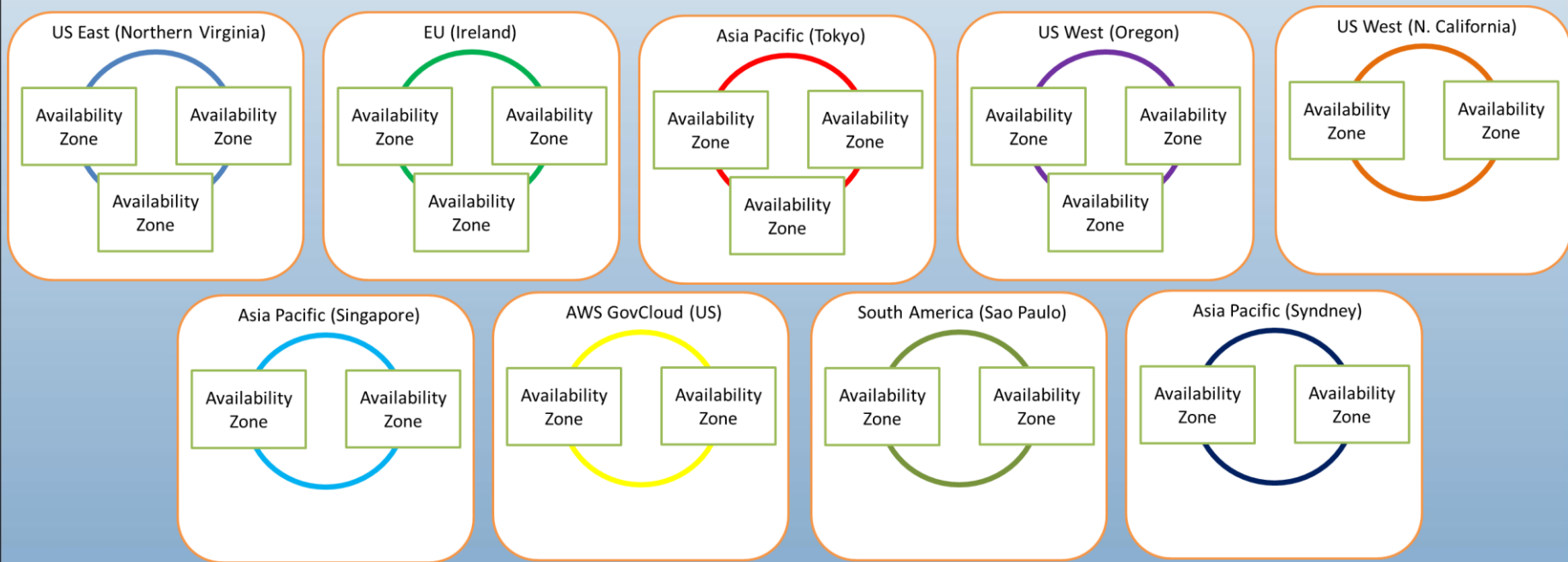


 AWS Regions

 AWS Edge Locations



Amazon EC2 Regions and Availability Zones



Customers Decide Where Applications and Data Reside

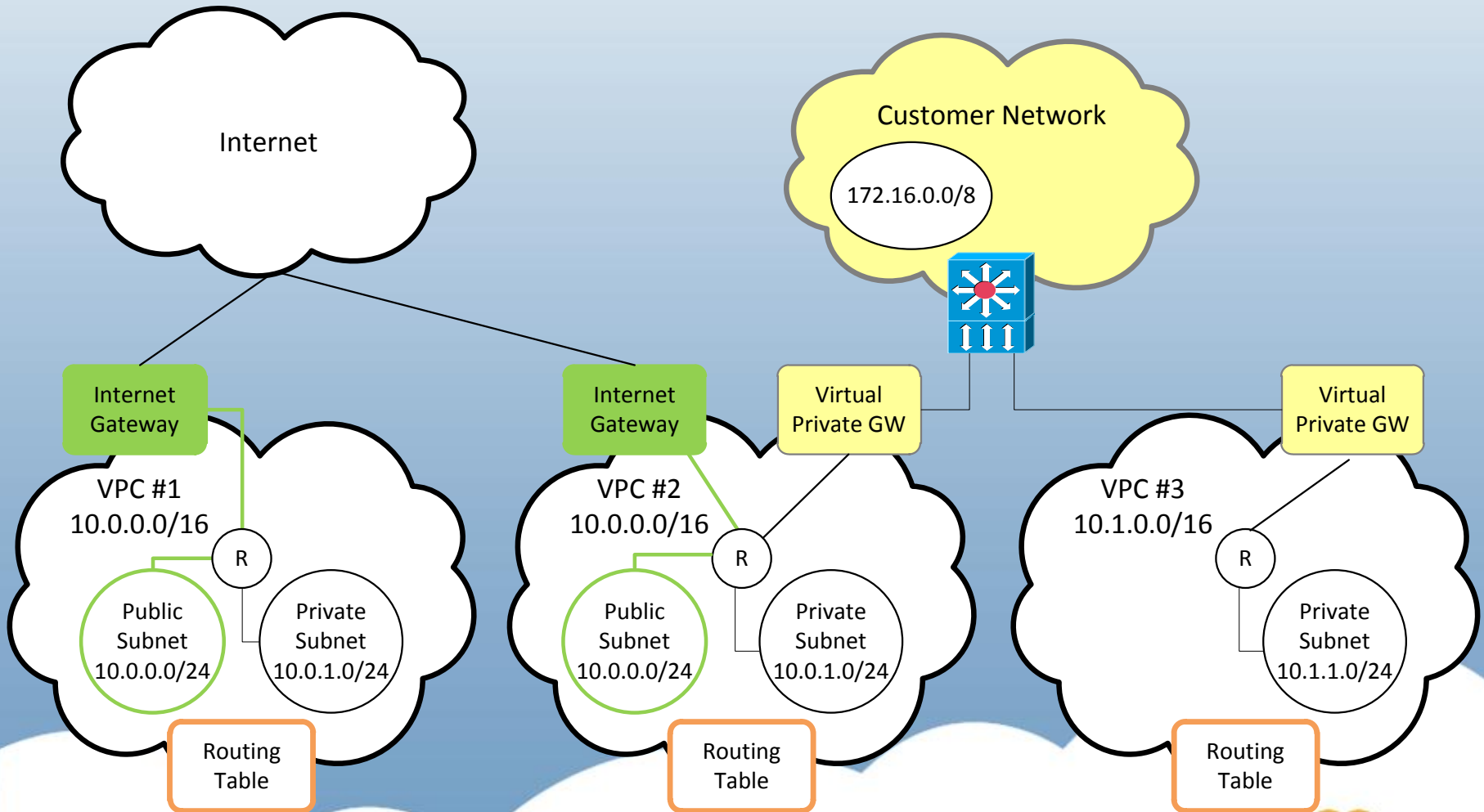
AWS is Built for “Continuous Availability”

- Scalable, fault tolerant services
- All Datacenters (AZs) are always on
 - No “Disaster Recovery Datacenter”
 - Managed to the same standards
- Robust Internet connectivity
 - Each AZ has redundant, Tier 1 ISP Service Providers
 - Resilient network infrastructure

Data Backups & Replication

- AWS favors replication over traditional backup
 - Equivalent to more traditional backup solutions
 - Higher data availability and throughput
 - No tapes with AWS customer data
- Makes data available in multiple edge locations
 - CloudFront, Route 53
- Data replicated to multiple Availability Zones within a single Region
 - S3, S3 RRS, DynamoDB, SimpleDB, SQS, RDS Multi-AZ, EBS Snapshots, etc...
- Data replicated to multiple physical locations within a single Availability Zone
 - EBS, RDS
- Data NOT automatically replicated
 - EC2 ephemeral drives (a.k.a. instance store)

Virtual Private Cloud




Customer Security Choices

- Flexible Networking Options
 - VPC vs. EC2 Classic
- EC2 Security Options
 - Choice of Operating System, hardening practices, security software
 - Customer controlled, customer-generated keypairs
 - Customer choice of security software, logging levels, and retention
 - Security Group configuration
 - Customer choice of hard drive encryption options
- S3 Security Options
 - ACLs and Bucket Policies
 - Server-side or client-side encryption









Premium Support - Trusted Advisor:

- Security Checks
 - Security Group Rules (Hosts & Ports)
 - IAM Use
 - S3 Policies
- Fault Tolerance Checks
 - Snapshots
 - Multi-AZ
 - VPN Tunnel Redundancy



Trusted Advisor Notification
[Learn more...](#)

 You have **10 checks** that require attention.

▼ Security Checks

-  Security Group - Open Ports 
 - ▶ Summary: 45 of 83 Security Group port rules create potential
-  Security Group - CIDR Config 
 - ▶ Summary: 0 of 83 Security Group port rules create potential
-  IAM Use 
 - ▶ Summary: IAM is configured for this account
-  S3 Bucket Policy  **New**
 - ▶ Summary: 1 of 10 S3 Buckets have permission properties

Security Status

- ▶ [Root Account MFA:](#)  **Enabled** [Manage MFA Device](#)
- ▶ [Password Policy:](#)  **Enabled** [Manage Password Policy](#)

Some Additional Good Ideas:

- AWS is still the “real world”
- Least-Privilege design
- SOA design
- Classify resources and protect accordingly
- Security at every layer
- Inspect what you Expect

How can you be sure
(e.g. Who says so)?



AWS Certifications & Compliance

- AWS Environment
 - SOC 1, SOC 2, and SOC 3 Audits
 - ISO 27001 Certification
 - PCI DSS
 - FedRAMP (FISMA)
 - EU Data Protection 95/46/EC
- Customers have deployed various compliant applications:
 - Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX)
 - HIPAA (healthcare)
 - FISMA (US Federal Government)
 - DIACAP MAC III Sensitive ATO
 - International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR)

Service Organization Controls



American Institute of Certified Public Accountants report

	What it contains	Who uses it
SOC 1	Attests that the AWS internal controls for financial reporting are appropriately designed and the controls are operating effectively	User auditors & users' controller's office. Shared under NDA by AWS.
SOC 2	Expanded evaluation of controls to include AICPA Trust Services Principles	Management, regulators & others. Shared under NDA by AWS.
SOC 3	Summary of SOC 2 and provides AICPA SysTrust Security Seal.	Management, regulators & others. Publicly available.

SOC 1



- Covers the majority of services in all regions
 - Control Objective 1: Security Organization
 - Control Objective 2: Amazon Employee Lifecycle
 - Control Objective 3: Logical Security
 - Control Objective 4: Secure Data Handling
 - Control Objective 5: Environmental Safeguards
 - Control Objective 6: Change Management
 - Control Objective 7: Data Integrity, Availability and Redundancy
 - Control Objective 8: Incident Handling
- Audited by an independent accounting firm and updated every 6 months
- Follows Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) 16 format and International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3402 standards



SOC 2



- Follows AICPA Guide: Reporting on Controls at a Service Organizations Relevant to Security
- AICPA defined Trust Principles that cannot be omitted
- Additional granularity for specific services

Internal Control Components

- Control Environment
- Risk Management
- Information and Communication
- Monitoring
- Control Activities

Trust Principles of Security

- Policies
- Communications
- Procedures (Control Activities)
- Monitoring

ISO 27001 Certification



- Covers the AWS Information Security Management System (ISMS)
- Follows ISO 27002 best practice guidance
- Includes all Regions
- Certification in the standard requires:
 - Systematic evaluation of information security risks
 - Evaluate the impact of company threats and vulnerabilities
 - Design and implement comprehensive information security controls
 - Adopt an overarching management process to ensure that the information security controls meet the information security needs on an ongoing basis

PCI DSS Level 1 Service Provider



- PCI DSS 2.0 compliant
- Covers core infrastructure & services
 - EC2, VPC, ELB, DirectConnect, S3, EBS, Glacier, RDS, DynamoDB, EMR, SimpleDB, and IAM
- Use normally, no special configuration
- Leverage the work of our QSA
- AWS will work with merchants and designated Qualified Incident Response Assessors (QIRA)
 - can support forensic investigations
- Certified in all regions

FedRAMP (FISMA) Moderate



- U.S. Civilian Government Agency Specific
- FedRAMP Approval To Operate (ATO)
- FISMA Moderate (NIST 800-53)
 - Much more stringent than other commercial standards
 - 205 high-level controls spanning 18 domains
 - Access Control, Awareness & Training, Audit & Accountability, Security Assessment & Authorization, Configuration Management, Contingency Planning, ID & Authentication, Incident Response, Maintenance, Media Protection, Physical & Environment Protection, Planning, Personnel Security, Risk Assessment, System & Services Acquisition, System & Communications Protections, System & Information Integrity, Program Management



Shared Assessments SIG

- Standard Information Gathering (“SIG”) Questionnaire
 - www.sharedassessments.org
- Robust, easy to use set of questions to gather and assess
 - Information Technology
 - Operating and Security Risks (and corresponding controls)
- Based on referenced industry standards
 - Including, but not limited to, FFIEC, ISO, COBIT and PCI
- Excel format with AWS provided answers
- Updated periodically to stay current

Additional Initiatives

- Cloud Security Alliance (CSA) Questionnaire
 - Answers in the Risk and Compliance Whitepaper
- Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA)
 - Best practices for storing, processing and delivering protected media & content

AWS will Continue to Obtain Industry Certifications

- What other certifications matter to you?
- What is the impact to you?

Questions?

Thank You!

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