

# Securing AWS Infrastructure

the Well-Architected Way

# Agenda

- What is AWS?
- Shared Responsibility Model
- What is AWS-Well Architected Framework?
- Design Principles for Security
- Best Practice Areas for Security
- Questions?

# What is AWS?

- Cloud Computing Service
- Provides three different services
  - SaaS ( Software as a Service )
  - PaaS ( Platform as a Service )
  - IaaS ( Infrastructure as a Service )
- Used by many in different sectors



Reference:

<https://aws.amazon.com/what-is-aws/>

<https://aws.amazon.com/about-aws/global-infrastructure/>

# Who uses AWS?

**NETFLIX**

**twitch**

**Linked in**

**facebook**



**twitter**



**coinbase**

Reference:

<https://aws.amazon.com/solutions/case-studies/>

<https://www.quora.com/Who-are-the-top-10-Amaon-AWS-customers>



# Shared Responsibility Model



Reference: <https://aws.amazon.com/compliance/shared-responsibility-model/>

## CUSTOMER

RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
SECURITY 'IN' THE CLOUD

## AWS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
SECURITY 'OF' THE CLOUD

CUSTOMER DATA

PLATFORM, APPLICATIONS, IDENTITY & ACCESS MANAGEMENT

OPERATING SYSTEM, NETWORK & FIREWALL CONFIGURATION

CLIENT-SIDE DATA  
ENCRYPTION & DATA INTEGRITY  
AUTHENTICATION

SERVER-SIDE ENCRYPTION  
(FILE SYSTEM AND/OR DATA)

NETWORKING TRAFFIC  
PROTECTION (ENCRYPTION,  
INTEGRITY, IDENTITY)

## SOFTWARE

COMPUTE

STORAGE

DATABASE

NETWORKING

## HARDWARE/AWS GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE

REGIONS

AVAILABILITY ZONES

EDGE LOCATIONS

# What is AWS-Well Architected Framework?

➤ A Framework developed to help cloud architects build secure, high-performing, resilient, and efficient infrastructure.

➤ The Five Pillars of the Framework

- Operational Excellence
- Security
- Reliability
- Performance Efficiency
- Cost Optimization



Reference:

<https://aws.amazon.com/architecture/well-architected/>

<https://wa.aws.amazon.com/index.en.html>

# Design Principles for Security

- Implement a strong foundation
- Enable traceability
- Apply security at all layers
- Automate security best practices
- Protect data in transit and at rest
- Keep people away from data
- Prepare for security events

# Best Practices Areas for Security

- Identity and Access Management
- Detective Controls
- Infrastructure Protection
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# Identity and Access Management ( IAM )

- Ensure only authorized and authenticated user are able to access resources
- Define user, groups, service, and roles
- Protect AWS credentials
- Use fine grained authorization/access control



# IAM in action



```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": ["s3:*"],
    "Resource":
      ["arn:aws:s3::*"]
  }]
}
```



```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action":
      ["s3:GetObject"],
    "Resource":
      ["arn:aws:s3:::myBucket/*"]
  }]
}
```



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# Detective Controls

- Detection of unauthorized traffic
- Capture and analyze logs
- Integrate auditing controls with notifications and workflows
- Fine-grained audits

# Detective Controls

➤ GuardDuty

➤ CloudTrail

➤ CloudWatch


➤ AWS Config

➤ AWS Trusted Advisor


➤ VPC Flow Logs
















# Detective Controls in action

Current findings 

Showing 59 of 59 26 31 2

Actions  Saved filters

 Include and exclude filter options are available on certain finding attributes in the details

<input type="checkbox"/>		Finding	Last seen	Count
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Bitcoin-related domain queries from EC2 instance i-99999...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] EC2 instance i-99999999 communicating with known XorD...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Bitcoin-related domain name queried by EC2 instance i-99...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] IAM User GeneratedFindingUserName logged into the AW...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] API GeneratedFindingAPIName was invoked from a Kali Li...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Credentials for instance role GeneratedFindingUserName ...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] EC2 instance involved in RDP brute force attacks.	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Reconnaissance API GeneratedFindingAPIName was invo...	<input type="text" value="2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)"/> ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Blackholed domain name queried by EC2 instance i-99999...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] API GeneratedFindingAPIName was invoked from a known...	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1
<input type="checkbox"/>		[SAMPLE] Unusual EC2 instance i-99999999 type launched	2017-11-09 16:00:04 (9 days ago)	1

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# Infrastructure Protection

- Encompasses control methodologies
  - Defense in depth
  - Best practices
  - Organizational or Regulatory obligations
- Protecting network and host-level boundaries
- Limit exposure
- Control traffic at all layers

# Infrastructure Protection

- VPC Security Groups
- Network ACLs
- AWS WAF
- AWS Shield
- AWS Direct Connect



# Infrastructure Protection in action

## Create Security Group ✕

Security group name ⓘ

Description ⓘ

VPC ⓘ

Security group rules:

Inbound  Outbound

Type ⓘ	Protocol ⓘ	Port Range ⓘ	Source ⓘ	Description ⓘ
SSH ▾	TCP	22	My IP ▾ 61.95.254.10/32	Allows you to login to
HTTP ▾	TCP	80	My IP ▾ 61.95.254.10/32	Allows you to send re



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# Data Protection

- Data Classification
- Authenticate network communication
- Encryption and Tokenization
- Protect data in transit
- Protect data at rest

Reference:

[https://wa.aws.amazon.com/wat.question.SEC\\_9.en.html](https://wa.aws.amazon.com/wat.question.SEC_9.en.html)

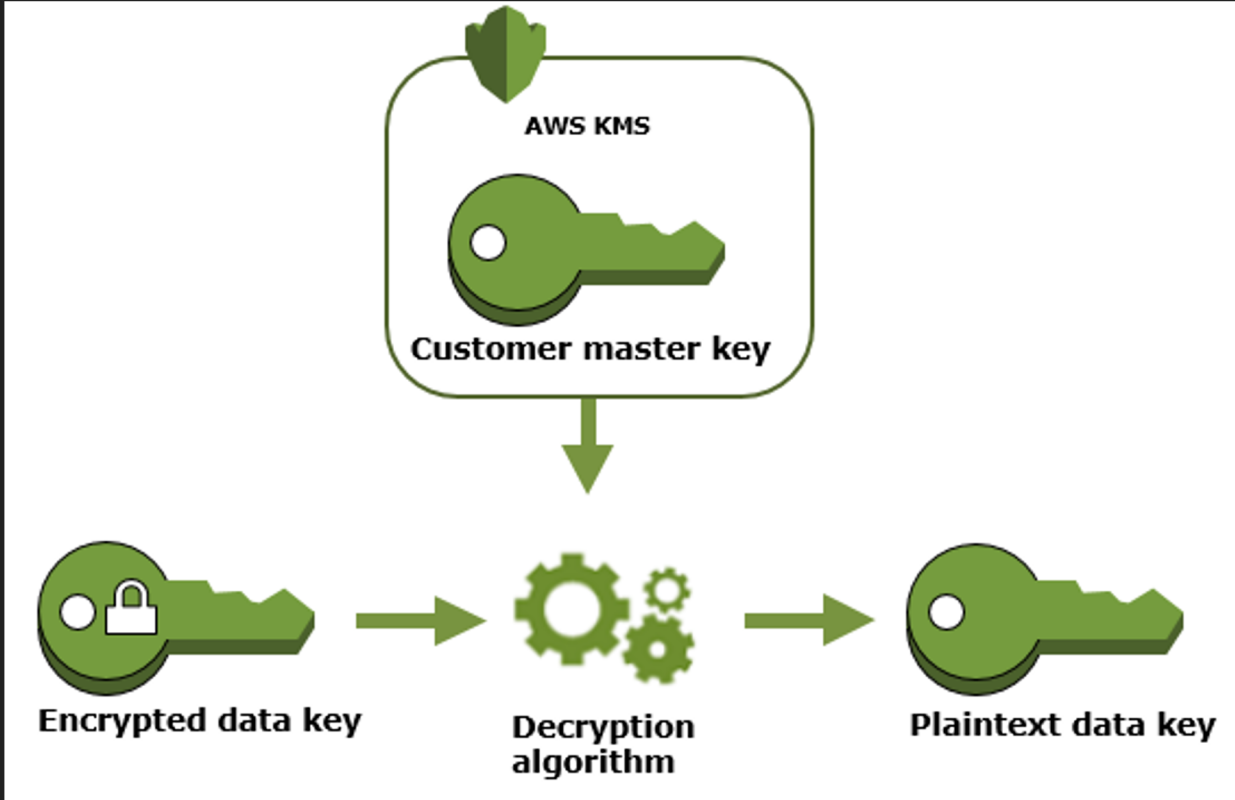
[https://wa.aws.amazon.com/wat.question.SEC\\_10.en.html](https://wa.aws.amazon.com/wat.question.SEC_10.en.html)

# Data Protection

- Amazon KMS
- Amazon EBS Encryption
- VPC VPN Connections
- Amazon S3 Data Encryption



# Data Protection in action



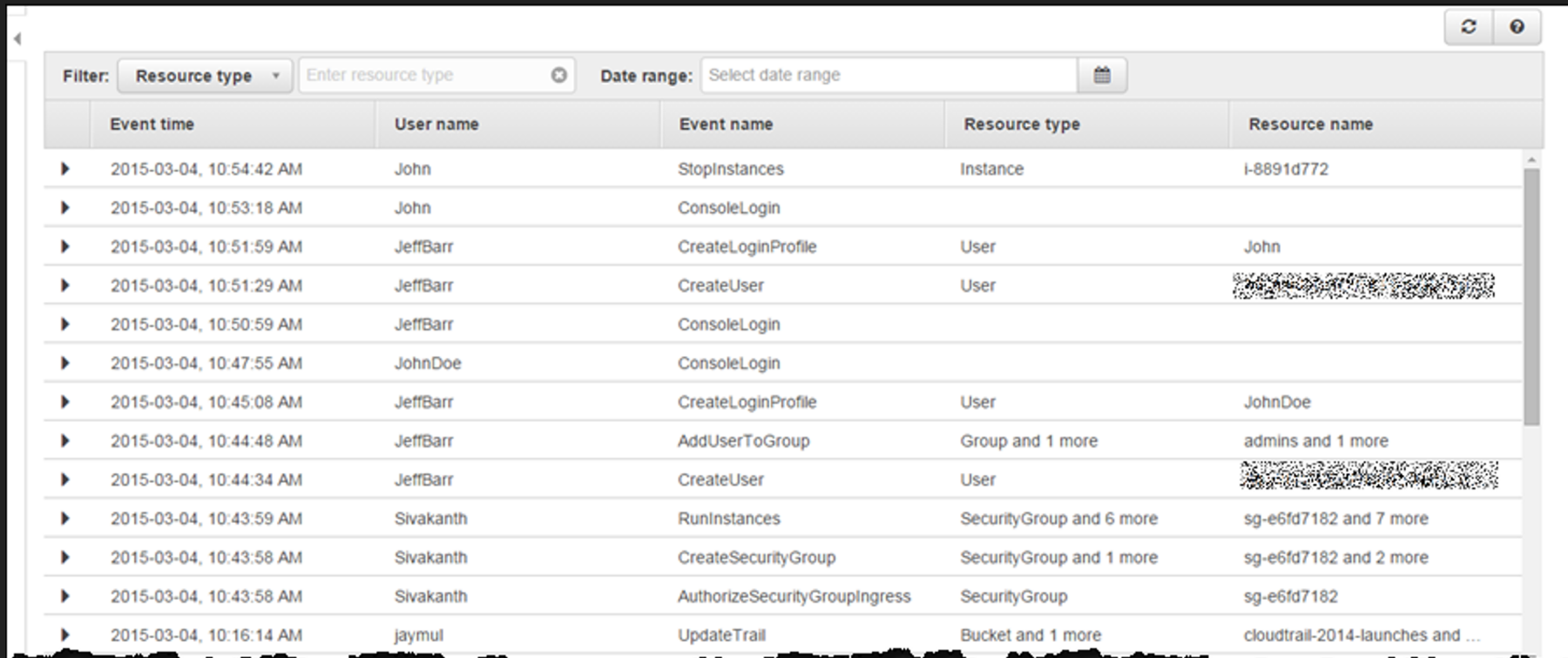
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# Incident Response

- Identify key personnel and external resources
- Develop incident response plans
- Automate containment capability
- Pre-provision access
- Pre-deploy tools
- Run game days

# Incident Response in action



Filter: Resource type  Date range:

	Event time	User name	Event name	Resource type	Resource name
▶	2015-03-04, 10:54:42 AM	John	StopInstances	Instance	i-8891d772
▶	2015-03-04, 10:53:18 AM	John	ConsoleLogin		
▶	2015-03-04, 10:51:59 AM	JeffBarr	CreateLoginProfile	User	John
▶	2015-03-04, 10:51:29 AM	JeffBarr	CreateUser	User	[REDACTED]
▶	2015-03-04, 10:50:59 AM	JeffBarr	ConsoleLogin		
▶	2015-03-04, 10:47:55 AM	JohnDoe	ConsoleLogin		
▶	2015-03-04, 10:45:08 AM	JeffBarr	CreateLoginProfile	User	JohnDoe
▶	2015-03-04, 10:44:48 AM	JeffBarr	AddUserToGroup	Group and 1 more	admins and 1 more
▶	2015-03-04, 10:44:34 AM	JeffBarr	CreateUser	User	[REDACTED]
▶	2015-03-04, 10:43:59 AM	Sivakanth	RunInstances	SecurityGroup and 6 more	sg-e6fd7182 and 7 more
▶	2015-03-04, 10:43:58 AM	Sivakanth	CreateSecurityGroup	SecurityGroup and 1 more	sg-e6fd7182 and 2 more
▶	2015-03-04, 10:43:58 AM	Sivakanth	AuthorizeSecurityGroupIngress	SecurityGroup	sg-e6fd7182
▶	2015-03-04, 10:16:14 AM	jaymul	UpdateTrail	Bucket and 1 more	cloudtrail-2014-launches and ...

QUESTIONS ?



THANK YOU!

