

AWS CERTIFIED

CLOUD PRACTITIONER

Security and Compliance



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Course Outline

Course
Introduction

Cloud Concepts

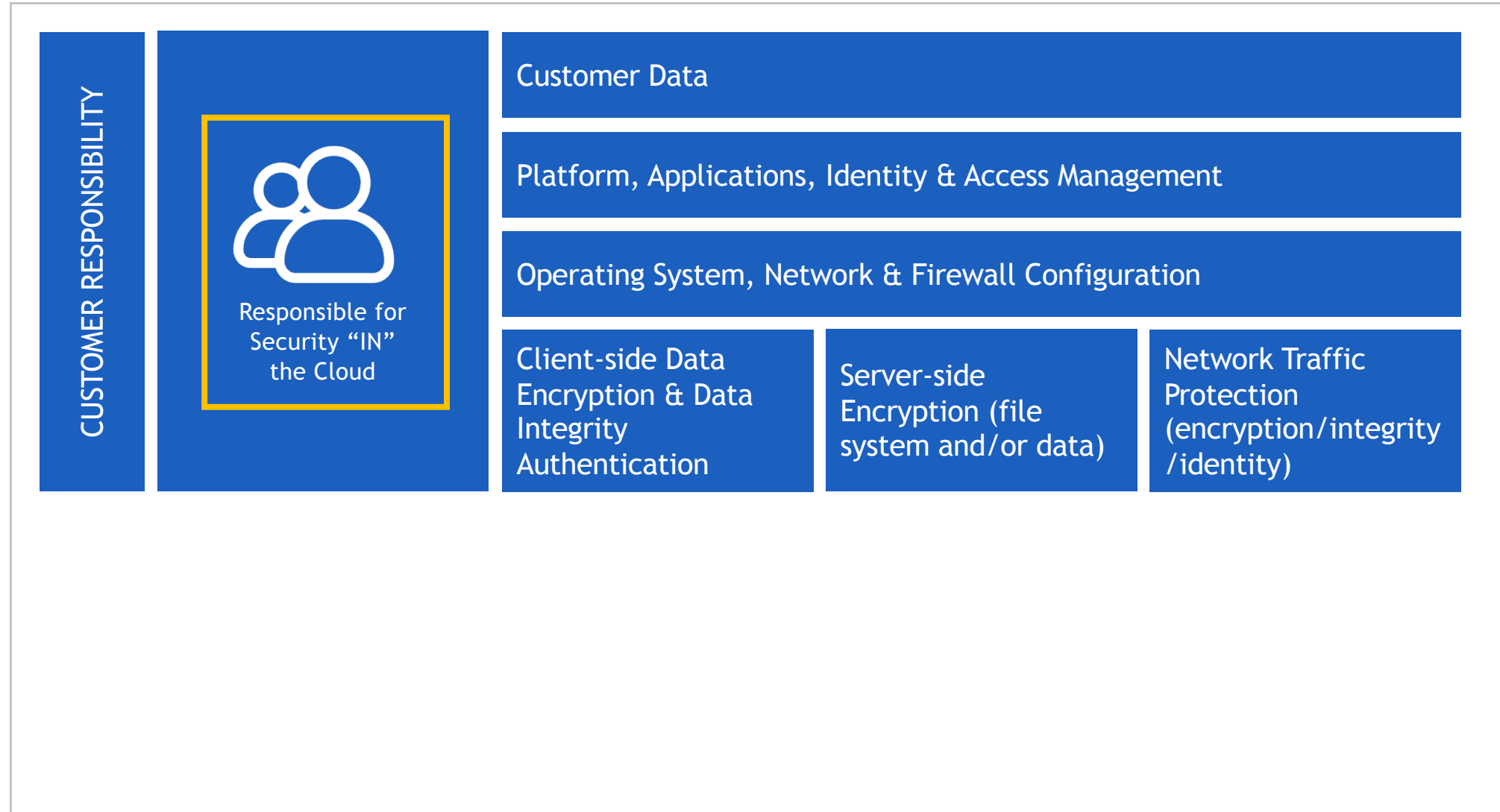
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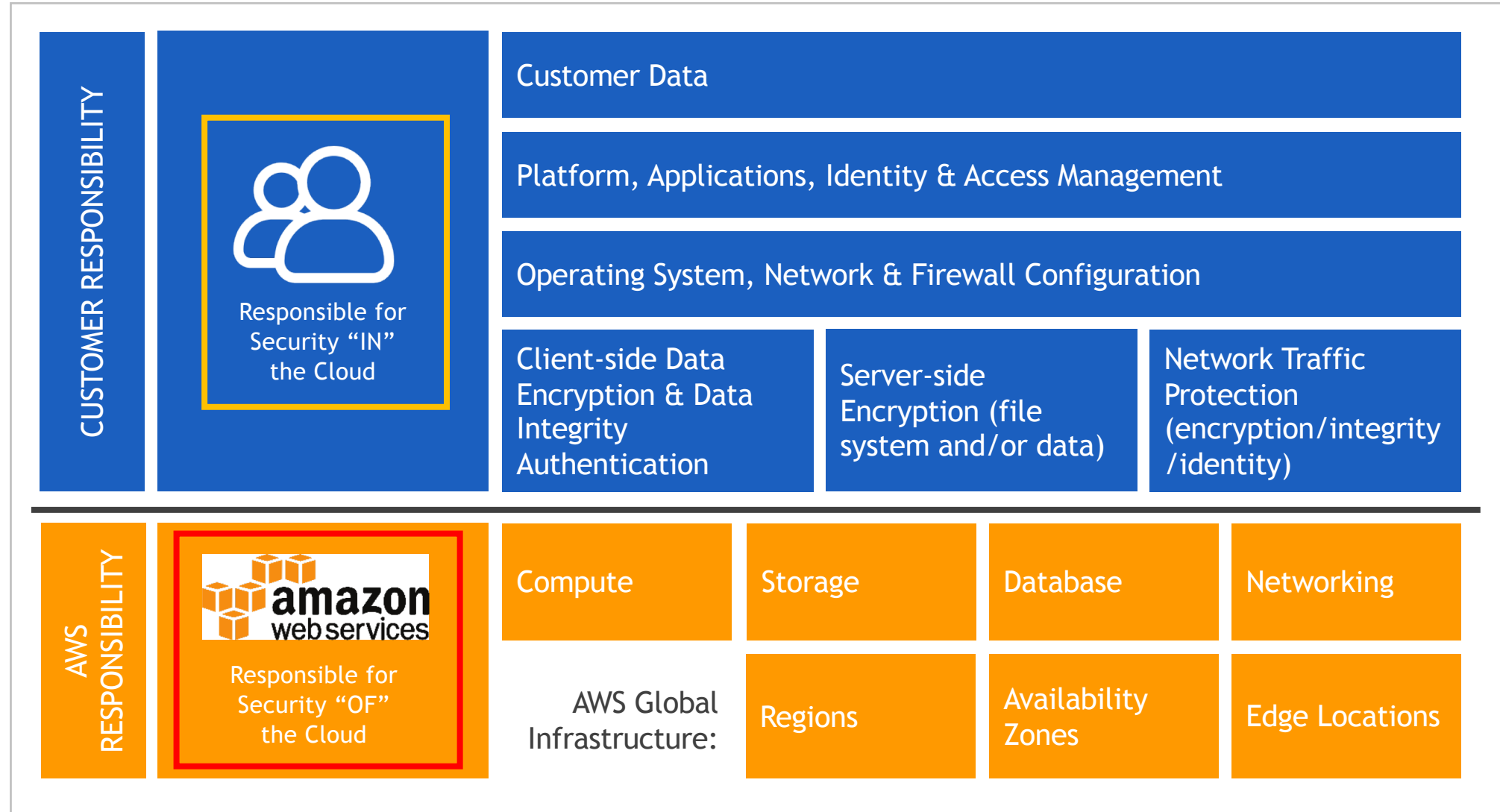
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and Support

Preparing for
the Exam

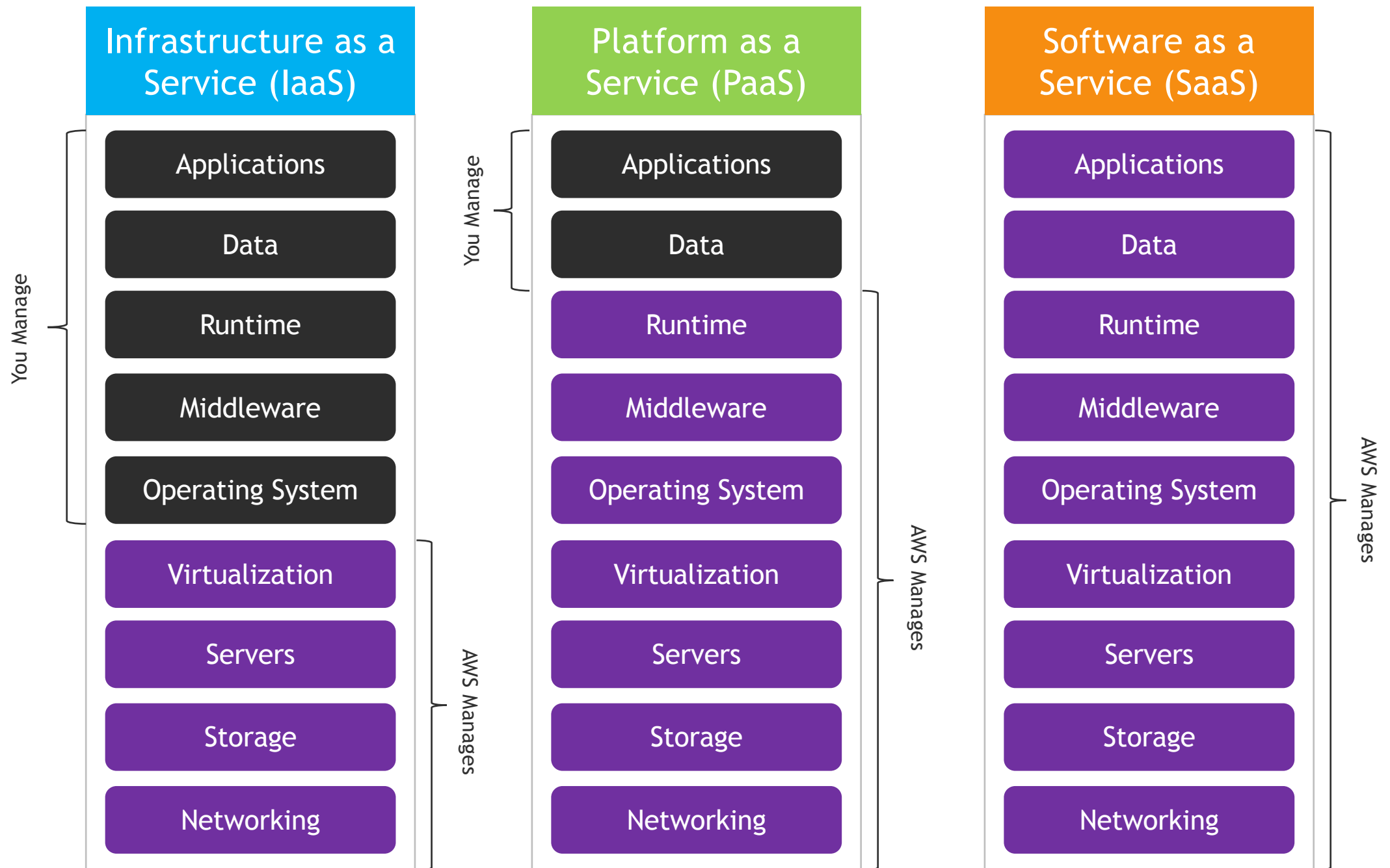
AWS Shared Responsibility Model



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Your responsibilities can vary
depending on the service
(i.e., managed vs. non-managed)





Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Service used to securely control access to your AWS resources

Controls authentication (who) and authorization (what they can do)

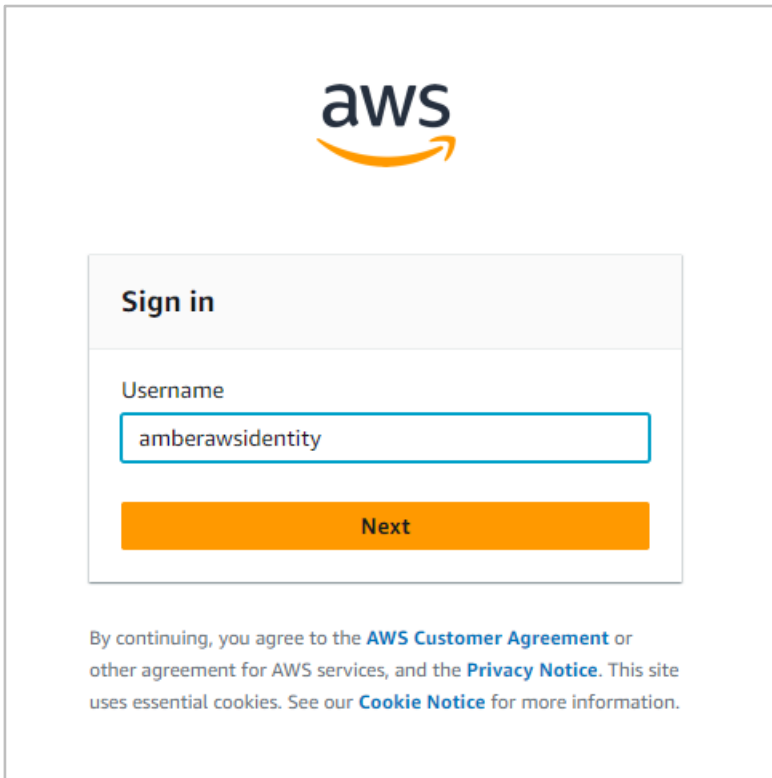


IAM Identity Center (formerly AWS Single Sign-On or SSO)

Provides a single login across:

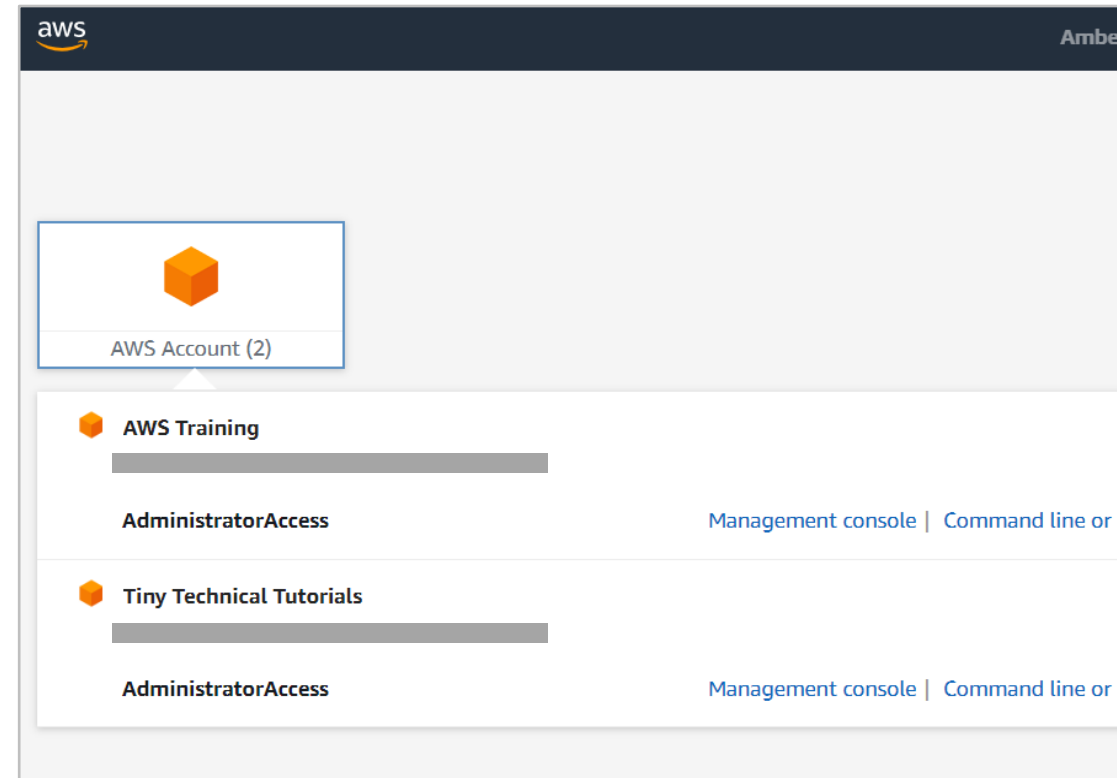
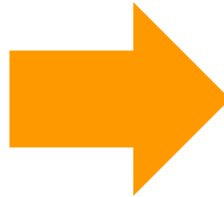
- All AWS accounts (leveraging AWS Organizations)
- Cloud-based applications like Salesforce, Box, Microsoft 365
- EC2 instances running Windows
- SAML 2.0-enabled applications

Can use multiple identity providers, such as Active Directory, Okta, the built-in IAM store and more



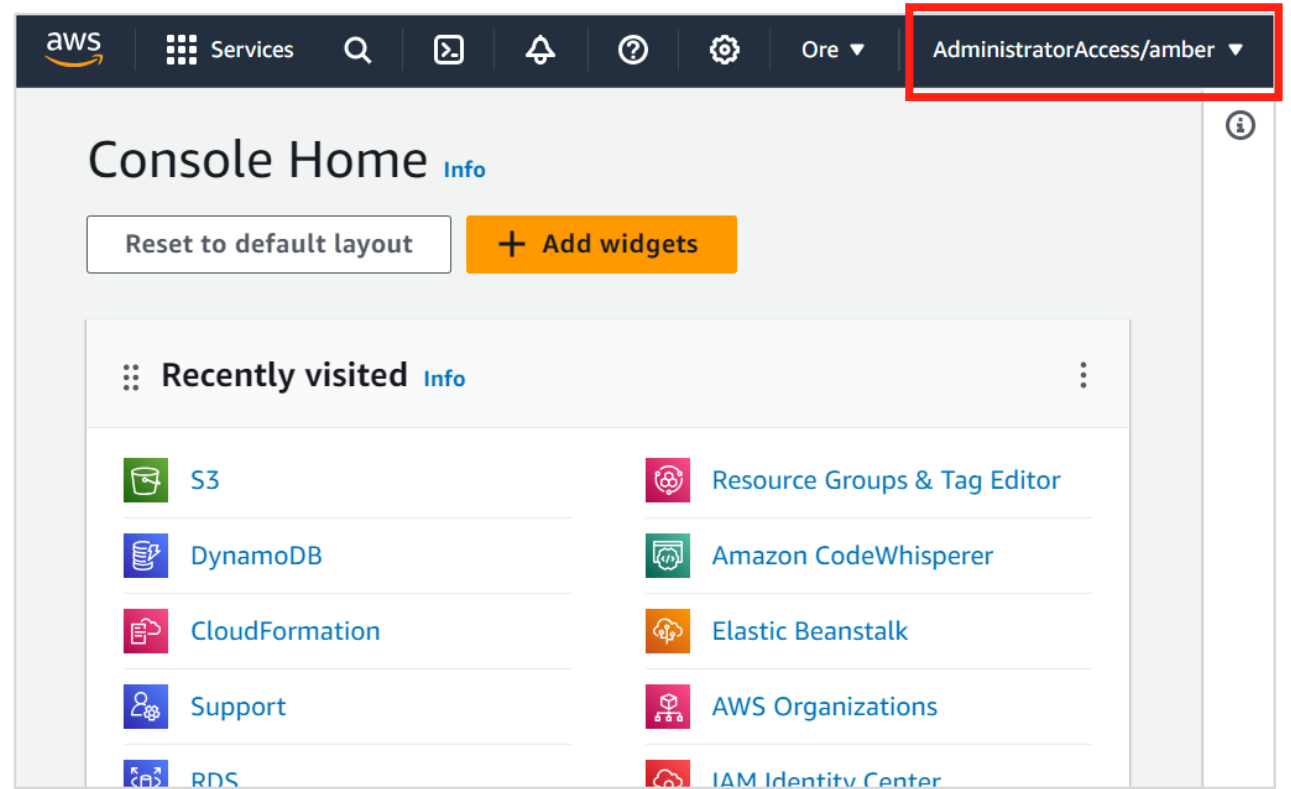
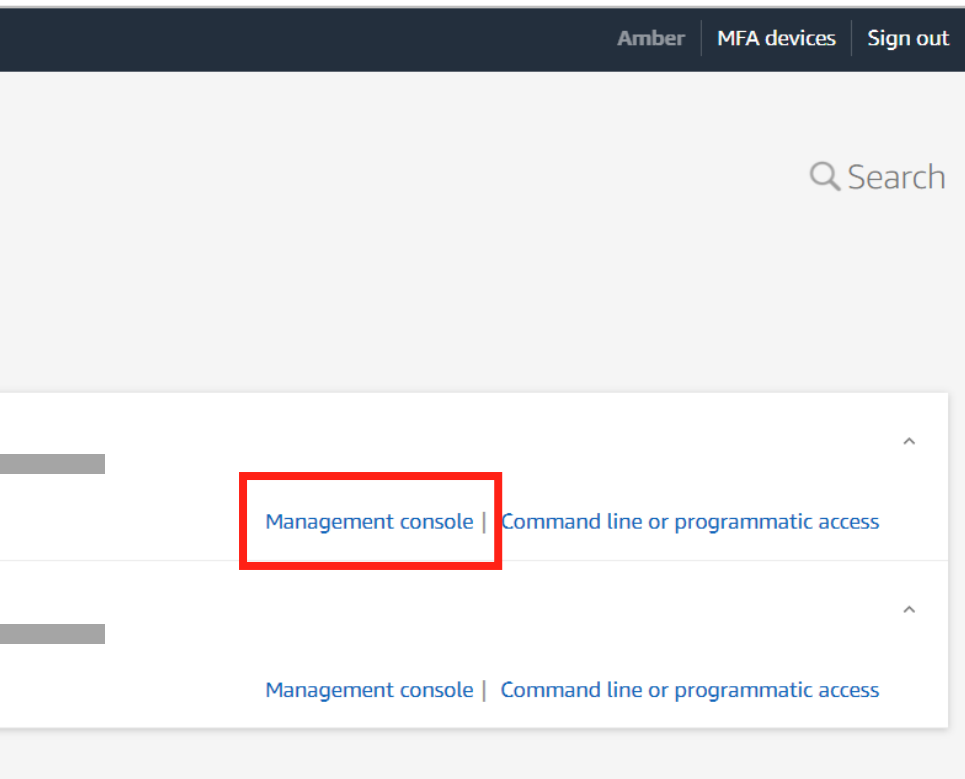
The image shows the AWS sign-in page. At the top is the AWS logo. Below it is a 'Sign in' section with a 'Username' label and a text input field containing 'amberawsidentity'. Below the input field is an orange 'Next' button. At the bottom, there is a paragraph of text: 'By continuing, you agree to the [AWS Customer Agreement](#) or other agreement for AWS services, and the [Privacy Notice](#). This site uses essential cookies. See our [Cookie Notice](#) for more information.'

A single login page



The image shows the AWS account list page. At the top is the AWS logo and the name 'Amber'. Below it is a section titled 'AWS Account (2)' with an orange cube icon. Below this are two rows of account information. The first row is for 'AWS Training' with a progress bar and 'AdministratorAccess' role, with links for 'Management console' and 'Command line or'. The second row is for 'Tiny Technical Tutorials' with a progress bar and 'AdministratorAccess' role, with links for 'Management console' and 'Command line or'.

A list of all my accounts



IAM vs. IAM Identity Center

Manage identities and access in a
single AWS account

Not using AWS Organizations

Centrally manage access across
multiple accounts and applications

Using AWS Organizations

The recommended way to manage
Console access, command line and
programmatic access (i.e., access
keys IDs and secret access keys)

1

Users

2

User Groups

3

Roles

4

Policies (and attach them)

Root User vs. IAM User

One per account

Unrestricted access

Difficult to restrict or revoke access

Can perform the following tasks:

Close an AWS account

Change an AWS support plan

Change AWS account settings

Multiple per account

Users can be deleted or disabled

Easy to restrict access

BEST PRACTICES

- Always work in your IAM account, not the root account
 - Set up IAM users with least number of permissions needed
- Don't create access keys for the root account (or delete them if you have them)
- Enable multi-factor authentication

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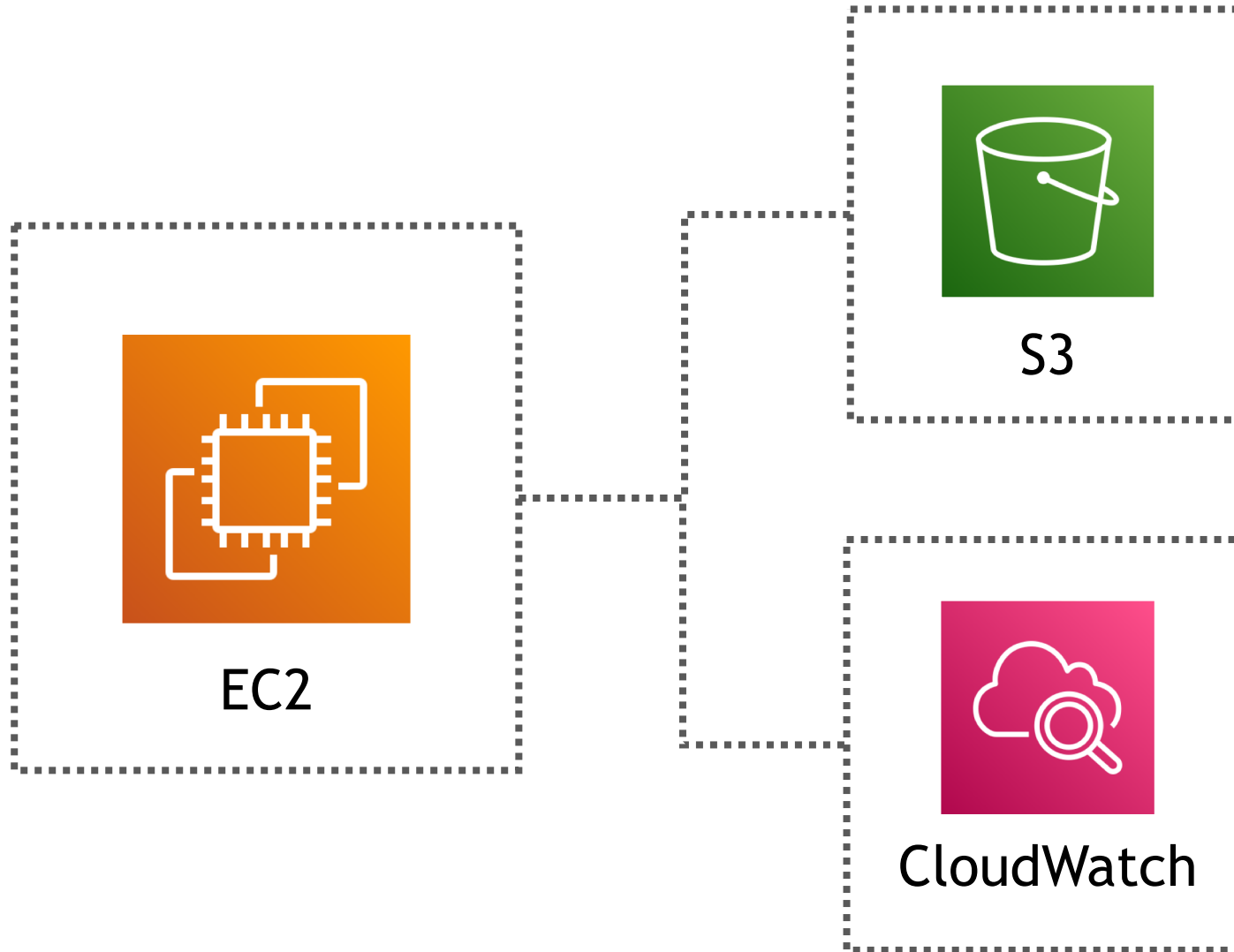
Policies (and attach them)

Role

Similar to a user (an identity with permissions)

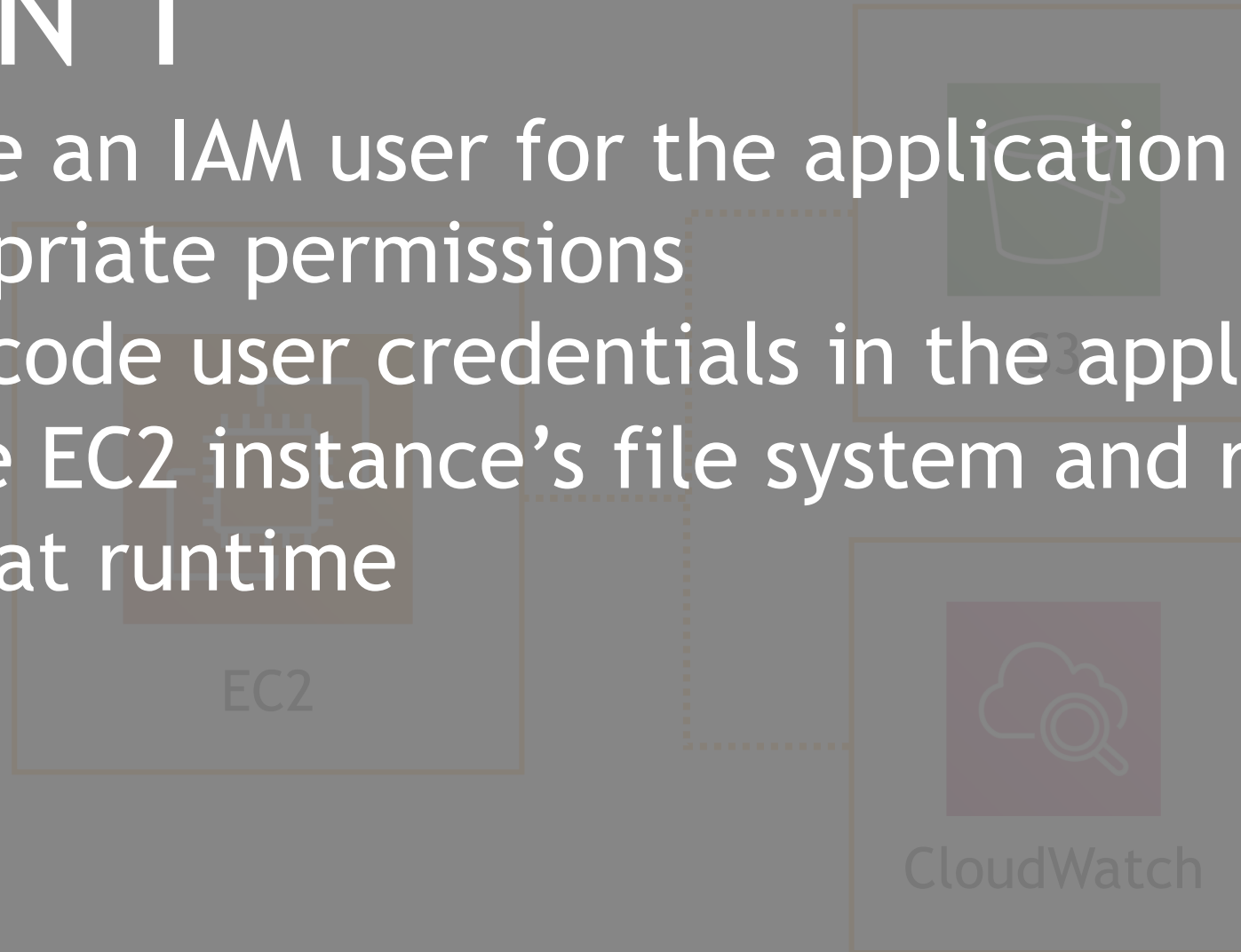
Does not have credentials (password or keys)

Assumable, temporarily, by anyone who needs it



OPTION 1

- Create an IAM user for the application with appropriate permissions
- Hard-code user credentials in the application or on the EC2 instance's file system and retrieve them at runtime



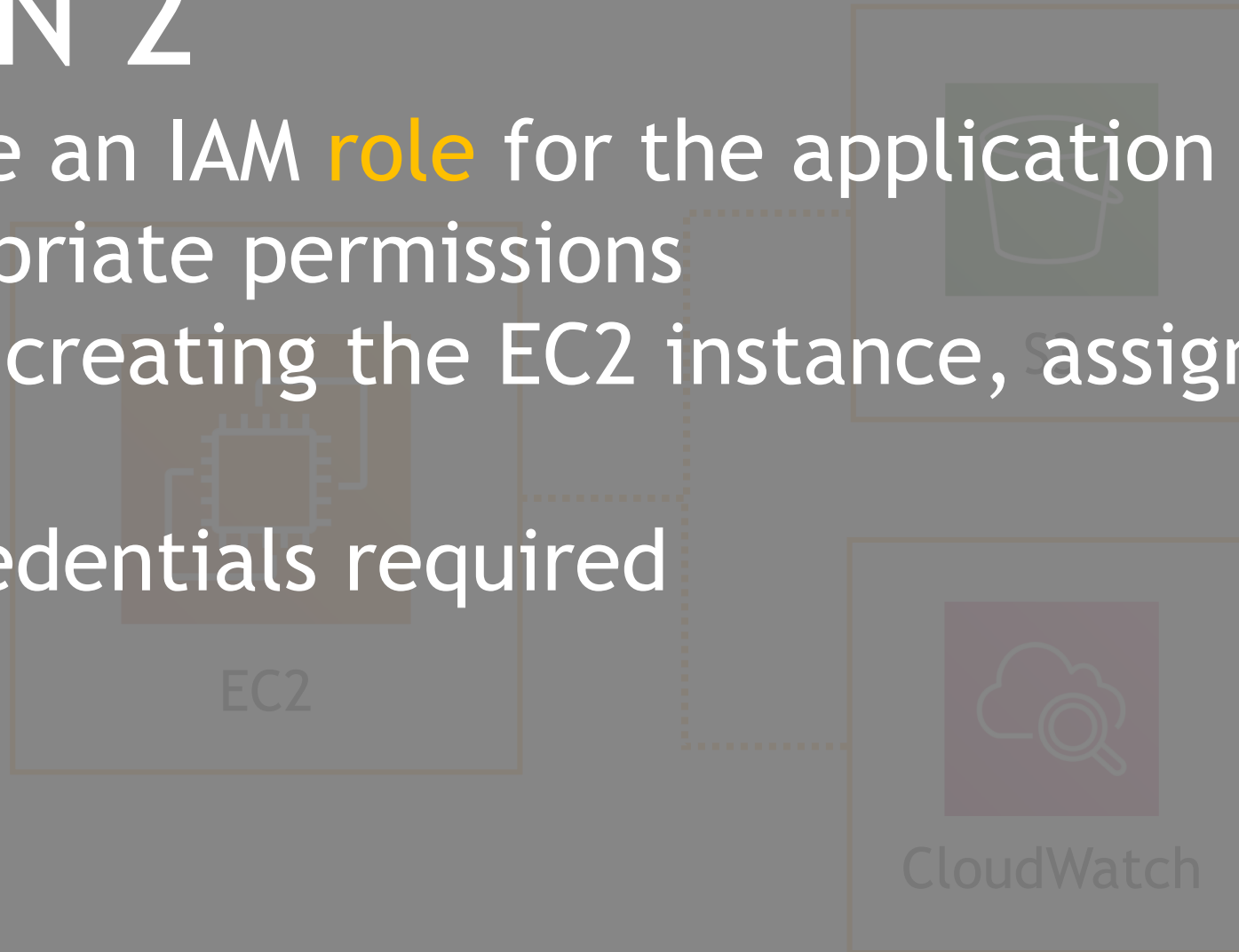


OPTION 1

- Create an IAM role for the EC2 instance with appropriate permissions
- Hard-code user IDs in the application or on the EC2 instance and retrieve them at runtime

OPTION 2

- Create an IAM **role** for the application with appropriate permissions
- When creating the EC2 instance, assign it this role
- No credentials required





ROLE

A Real-Life Analogy



Parent



Software
Engineer



Soccer
Coach



Home
Chef



Therapist



An AWS Example



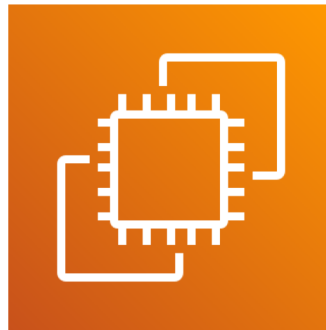
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CloudWatch, read from
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Read from S3



Write to
CloudWatch



EC2

An AWS Example



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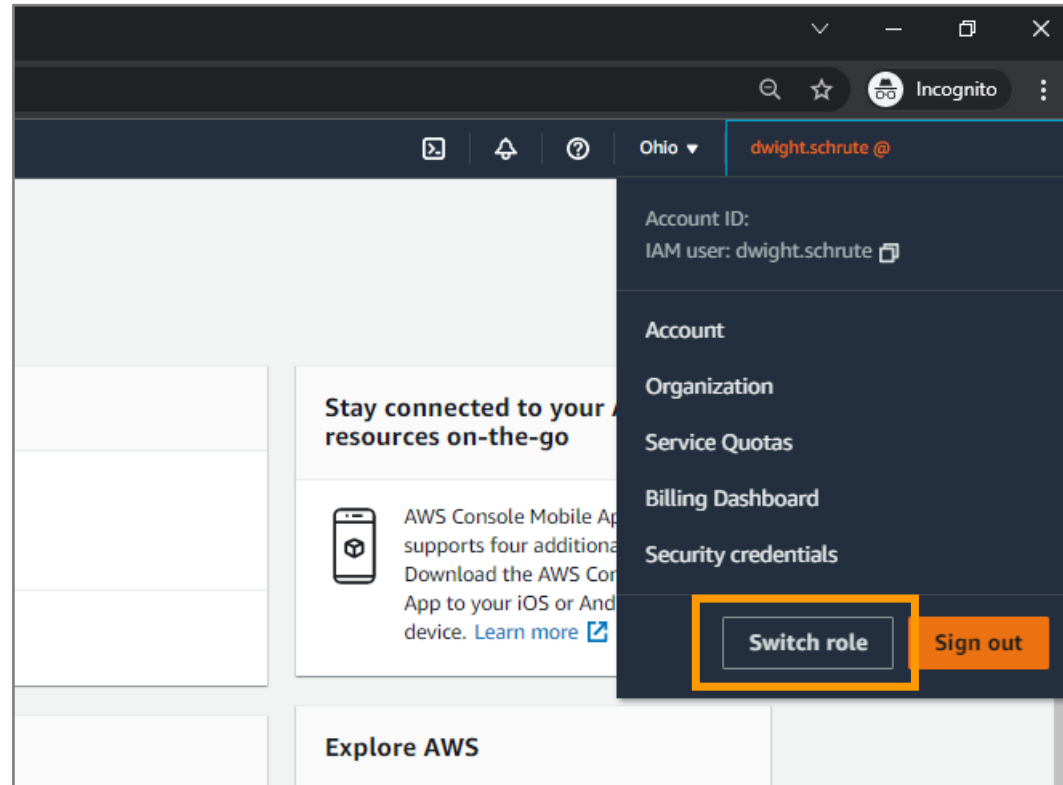
Read from S3



Write to
CloudWatch



User



IDENTITIES (the “Who”)



USER



USER GROUP



ROLE

I can't do
anything.



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Policies (and attach them)

JSON

POLICY

Who can do what to which resources and when

JSON

POLICY

“Allow IAM users to rotate their own credentials programmatically and in the console.”

JSON

POLICY

“Allow a user to start and stop EC2 instances.”

JSON

POLICY

“Allow a Lambda function to access a
DynamoDB table.”

```
{
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "effect",
      "Action": "action"
      "Resource": "arn"
      "Condition": {
        "condition": {
          "key": "value"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

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```

Allow or Deny
Default is Deny

```
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  ]
}
```

Corresponds to API
calls to AWS services

Example:
s3:DeleteBucket

```
{
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      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Amazon Resource
Name

The resource name
you want to apply
permission to

Example:
**arn:aws:ec2:*:*:ins
tance/instance-id**

```
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        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Optional conditions to control when this policy is in effect

Example:

```
{ "StringEquals" : { "aws:username" : "johndoe" } }
```

Policy Example

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "ec2:StartInstances",
        "ec2:StopInstances"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:ec2:*:*:instance/*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "aws:ResourceTag/Owner": "${aws:username}"
        }
      }
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "ec2:DescribeInstances",
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

I still can't
do anything.



JSON

POLICY

Who can do what to which resources and when

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| 1 | Users |
| 2 | Groups |
| 3 | Roles |
| 4 | Policies (and attach them) |

The “Who” Identities



USER



USER GROUP



ROLE

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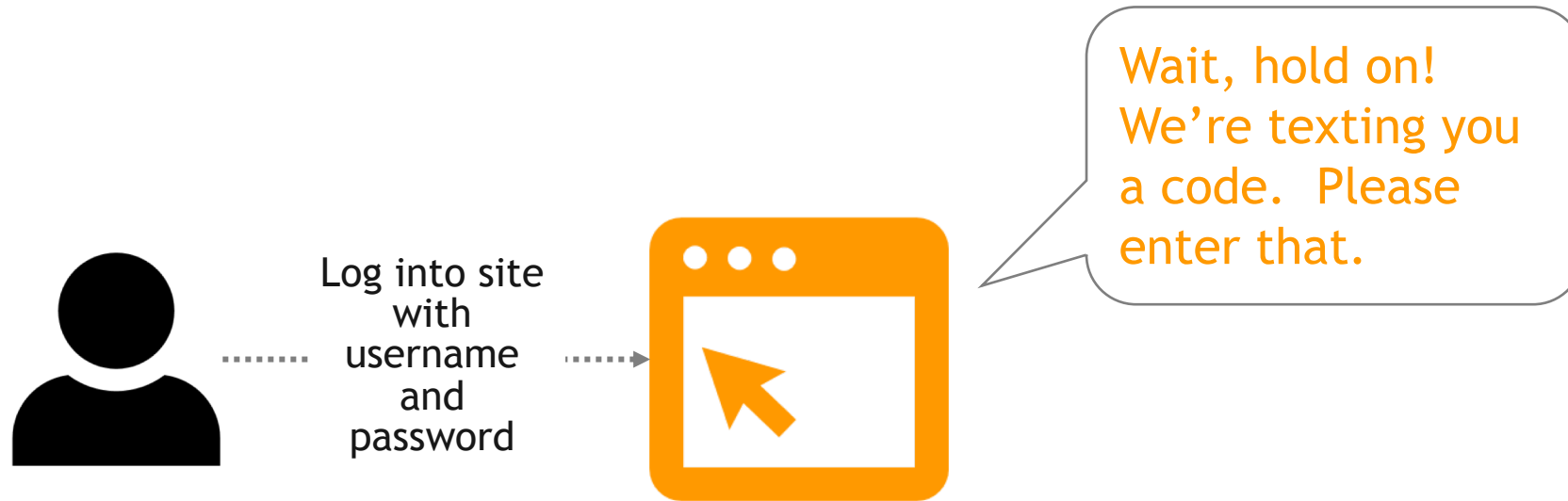
3

Roles

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Policies (and attach them)

Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)



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Two or more “factors” in order to authenticate (i.e., figure out who you are)

- Something you know (e.g., a password)
- Something you have (e.g., a phone or a hardware token)
- Something you are (e.g., fingerprint)

Three Types of MFA Devices

Virtual MFA
device for
smartphone or
tablet

Examples: Google
Authenticator, Microsoft
Authenticator, Authy

U2F security key



Example: YubiKey

Other hardware
MFA device



Example: Gemalto

BEST PRACTICES

Enable MFA for your root account
and IAM users



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Enabling Multi-Factor Authentication



Access Keys

Using Access Keys for Programmatic Access

```
Command Prompt - aws configure  
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19042.1415]  
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.  
  
C:\Users\amber>aws configure  
AWS Access Key ID [None]: AKIAUXGTGCLPTZTBTJID  
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: 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
```



Access Keys



Password Policies

IAM: Best Practices

Use an IAM user for day-to-day work,
NOT the root account

Use roles to give permissions to AWS services
(e.g., EC2 instances)

Don't share credentials (user name,
password, access keys, etc.)

Assign permissions to groups (made up of
users) rather than to individual users

When assigning permissions (policies), give
the least amount possible

Enforce MFA and strong password policies

Use the IAM Credentials Report to audit
permissions

Security and Compliance Services

Infrastructure Protection: AWS Shield

Infrastructure Protection: AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF)

Data Protection: AWS Key Management System (KMS) and CloudHSM

Data Protection: AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)

Data Protection: AWS Secrets Manager

Data Protection: Amazon Macie

Detection: Amazon Inspector

Detection: Amazon GuardDuty

Detection: AWS Config

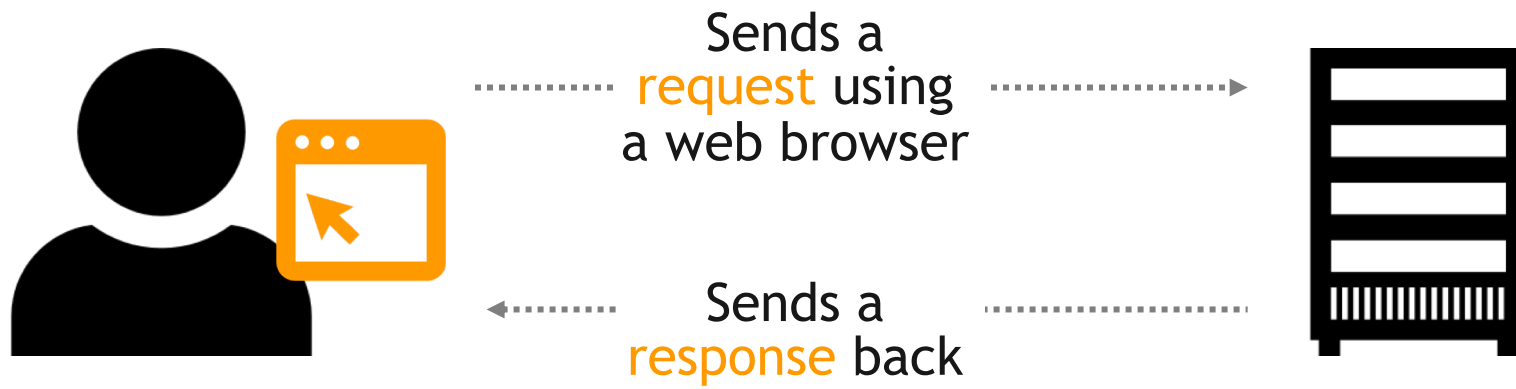
Detection: AWS Security Hub

Incident Response: Amazon Detective

Compliance: AWS Artifact

Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)

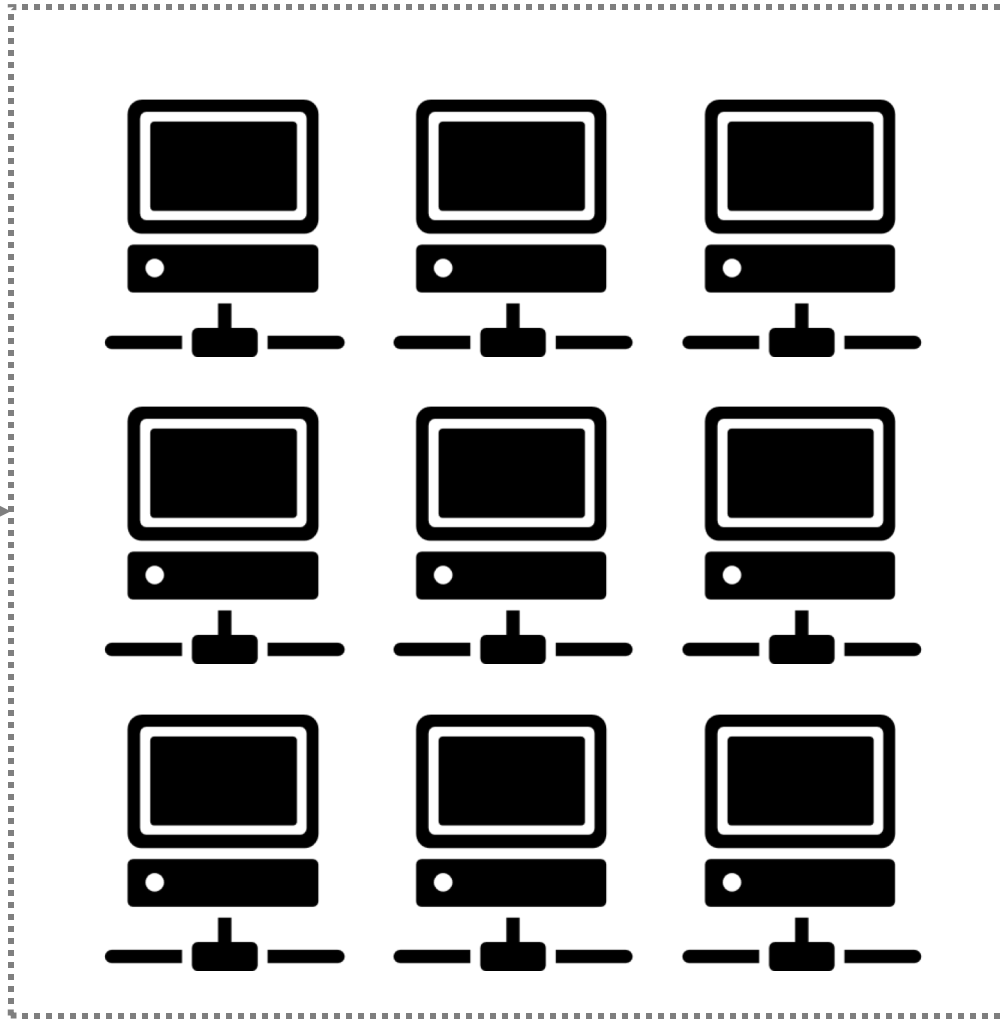




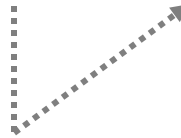
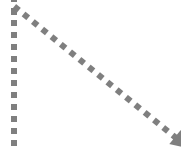




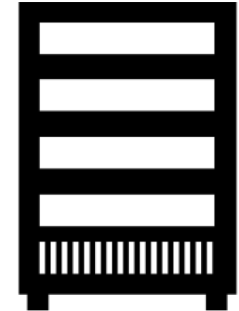
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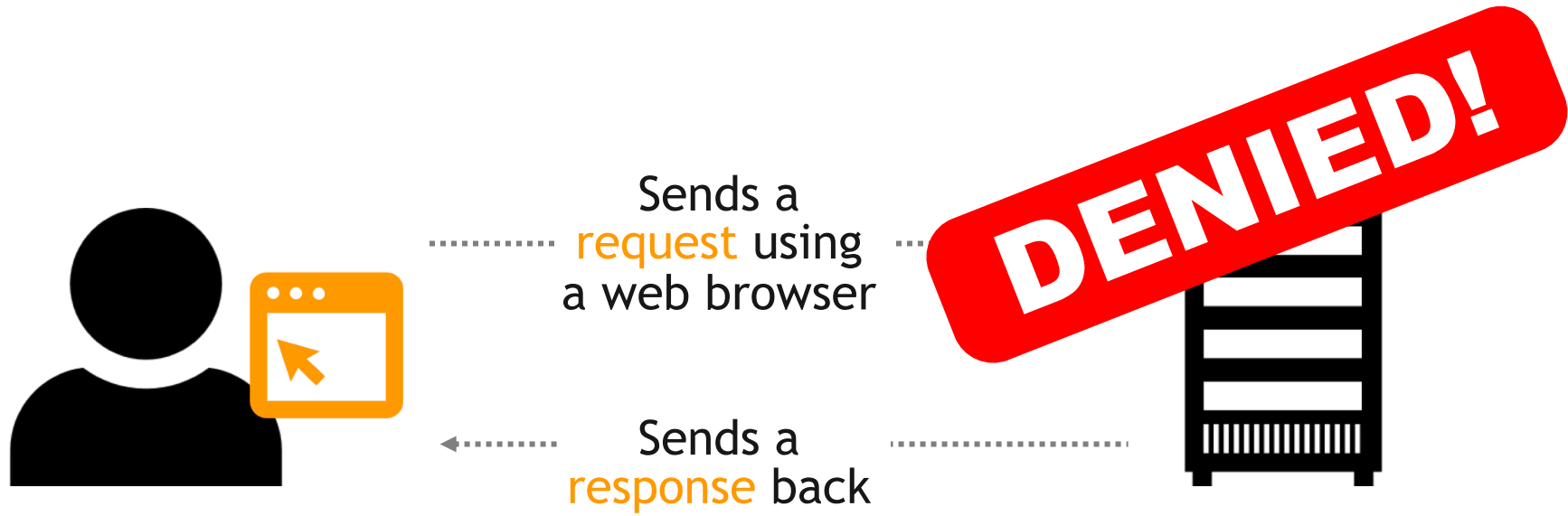


Bots
“Distributed”



Floods the
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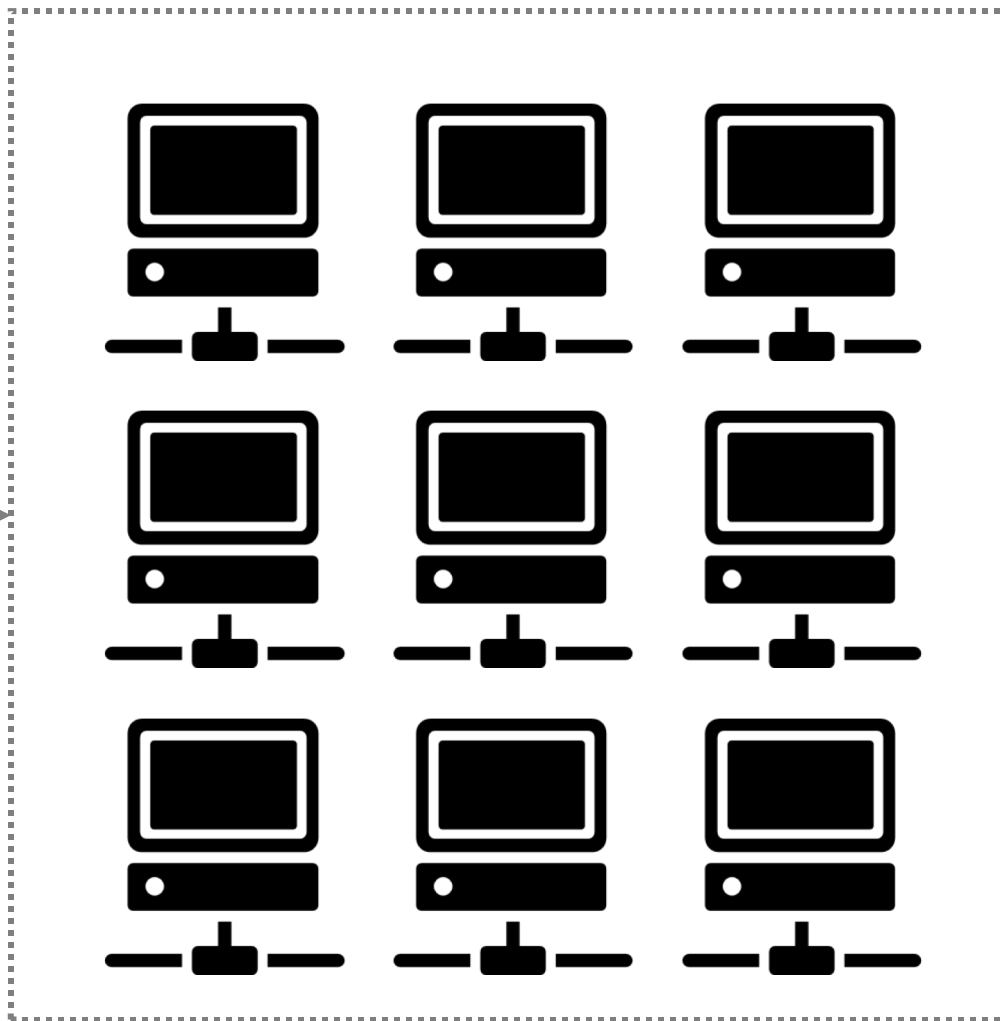
Protecting Against DDoS on AWS



AWS Shield

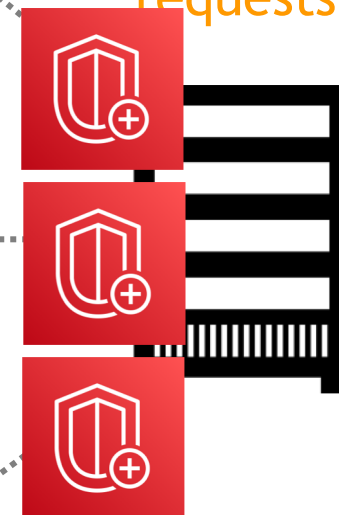


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AWS Shield



STANDARD

Automatically protects all AWS customers

Free

Protects from the most common types of DDoS attacks

ADVANCED

A paid service that protects against more sophisticated attacks

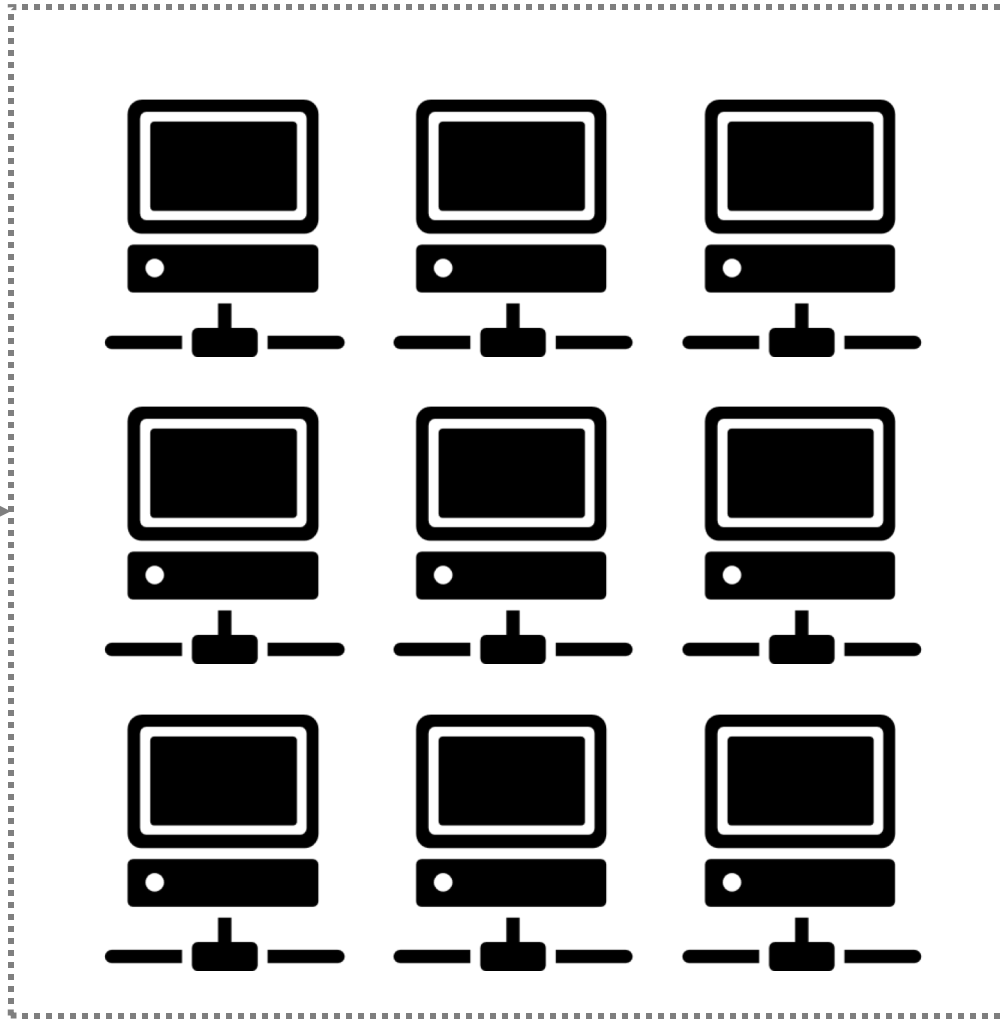
Integrates with other services like CloudFront, Route 53 and Elastic Load Balancing

AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF) included at no extra cost

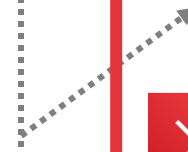
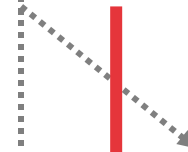




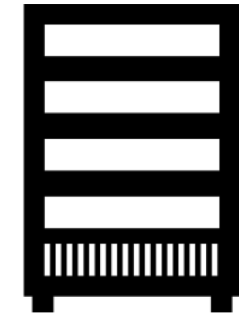
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Web
Application
Firewall (WAF)



AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF)

Configure rules

- Allow, block, monitor/count
- IP addresses, country of origin, presence of a script, URL strings, etc.
- Example:
 - Block IP addresses and values in the request that are used by known attackers
 - A specific IP address can only send 100 requests to your application in 5 minutes



ENCRYPTION

UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK





Two Types of Encryption

AT REST

Data that's stored or archived on a device

Examples:

S3 bucket

Hard disk

Database

IN TRANSIT

Data being transferred from one location to another

Examples:

Moving data from an EC2 instance to an S3 bucket

Moving data from an on-premises data center to AWS

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HOW?

Encryption Keys

This is a super
secret message!



Uijt jt b tvqfs
tfdsfu nfttbhf@

Encrypted =
scrambled

This is a super
secret message!



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How did we
arrive at this?

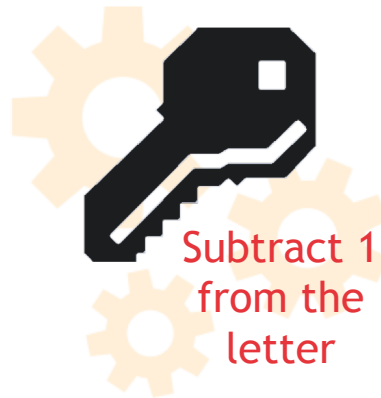
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How do we
get back to
the original
message?



AWS Key Management System (KMS)

Primary service for encryption in AWS

AWS manages the encryption hardware, software and keys for you

Integrated with many AWS services, including EBS, S3, Redshift and CloudTrail

- Example: I want to encrypt a document stored in an S3 bucket

FIPS 140-2 Compliance: **Level 2 overall**
(3 in some areas)



Hardware Security Module

AWS provisions the hardware and you do everything else

- AWS cannot access your keys
- AWS cannot recover your keys

Integrated with a limited number of other AWS services

FIPS 140-2 Compliance: **Level 3**
(considered more secure)

Types of Keys

AWS MANAGED

AWS creates and manages

Used by AWS services

- aws/lambda
- aws/cloud9
- aws/s3

CUSTOMER MANAGED

You (customer) create and manage

Can create policies to rotate keys

Specify who can use and manage the keys

Supports “bring your own key”

CUSTOM KEY STORES

Created with CloudHSM

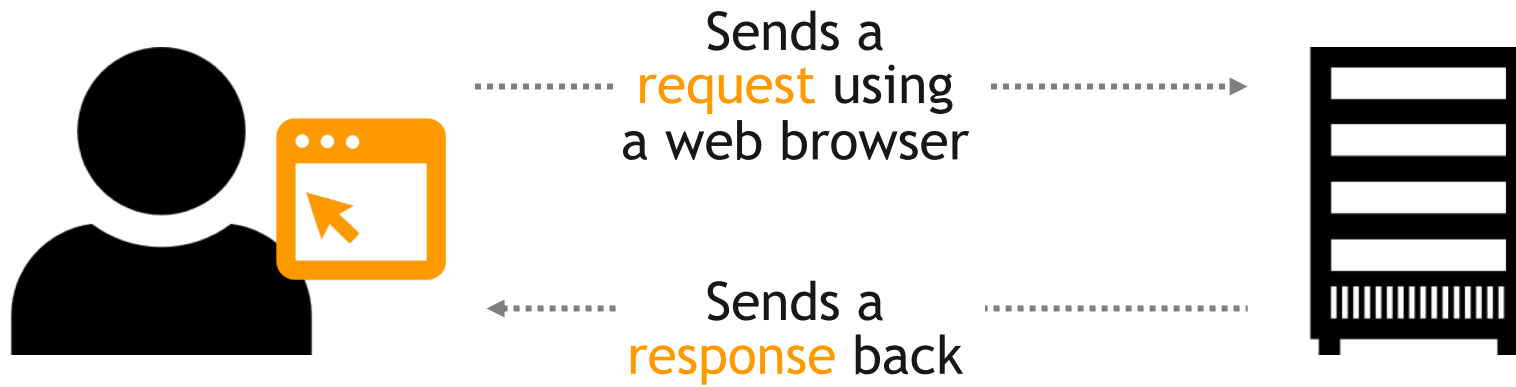
You own and manage



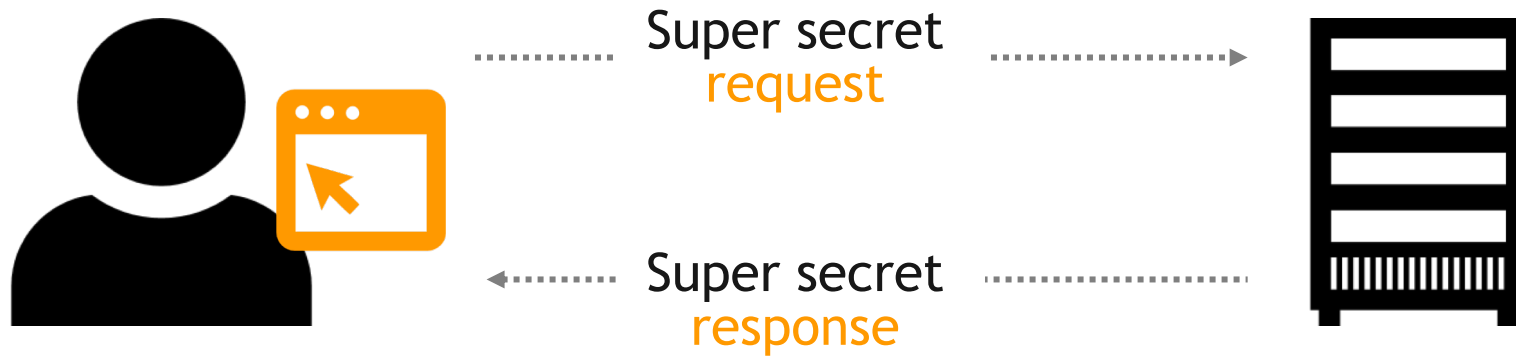
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Working with Keys in AWS KMS

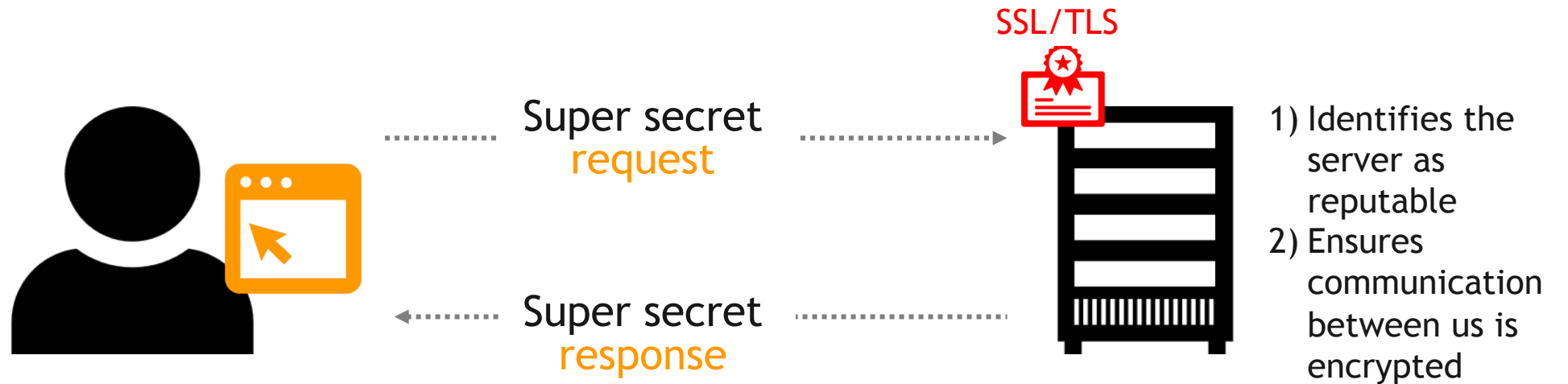
Understanding Certificates



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AWS Certificate Manager (ACM)

Provision, manage, and deploy public and private SSL/TLS certificates

- Public = for resources on the public internet (these certificates are free)
- Private = for resources on private networks

Loads certificates on:

- API Gateway
- Elastic load balancers
- CloudFront distributions







AWS Secrets Manager

The recommended way to protect secrets (e.g., user names and passwords) needed by your applications and services



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Working with AWS Secrets Manager

Login details

Social security number

Date of birth

Email address

Credit card numbers

Cookies

Full name

Telephone number

Passport number

Driver's license number

Device serial number

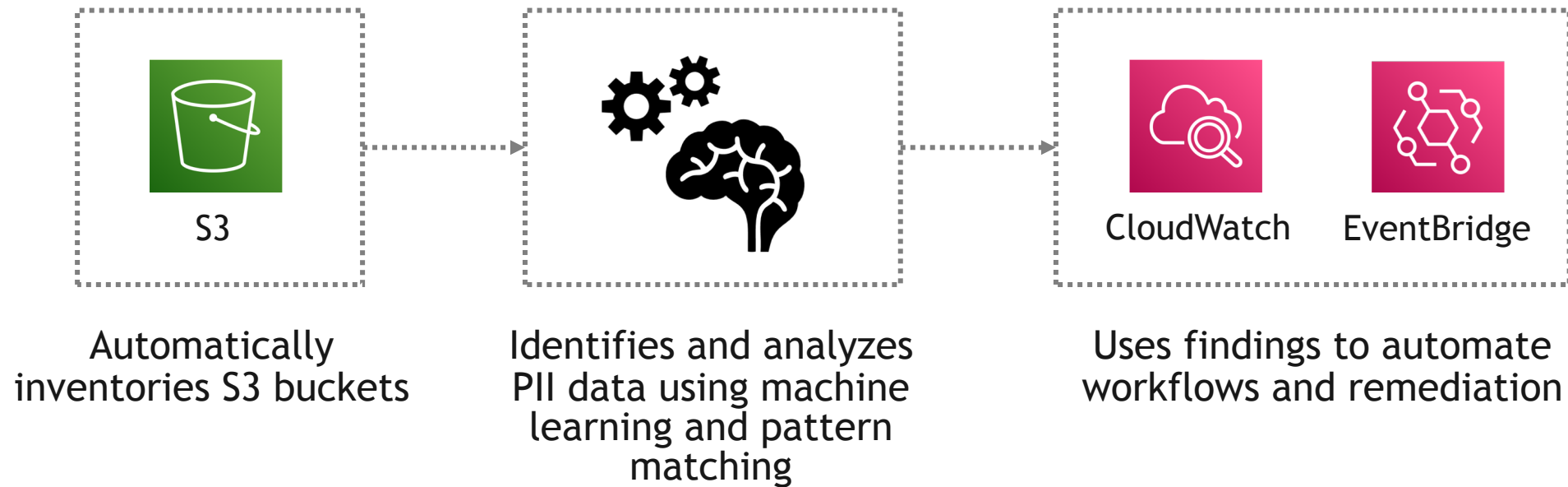
Home address

Owned properties

**Personally
Identifiable
Information
(PII)**



Amazon Macie





AMAZON INSPECTOR

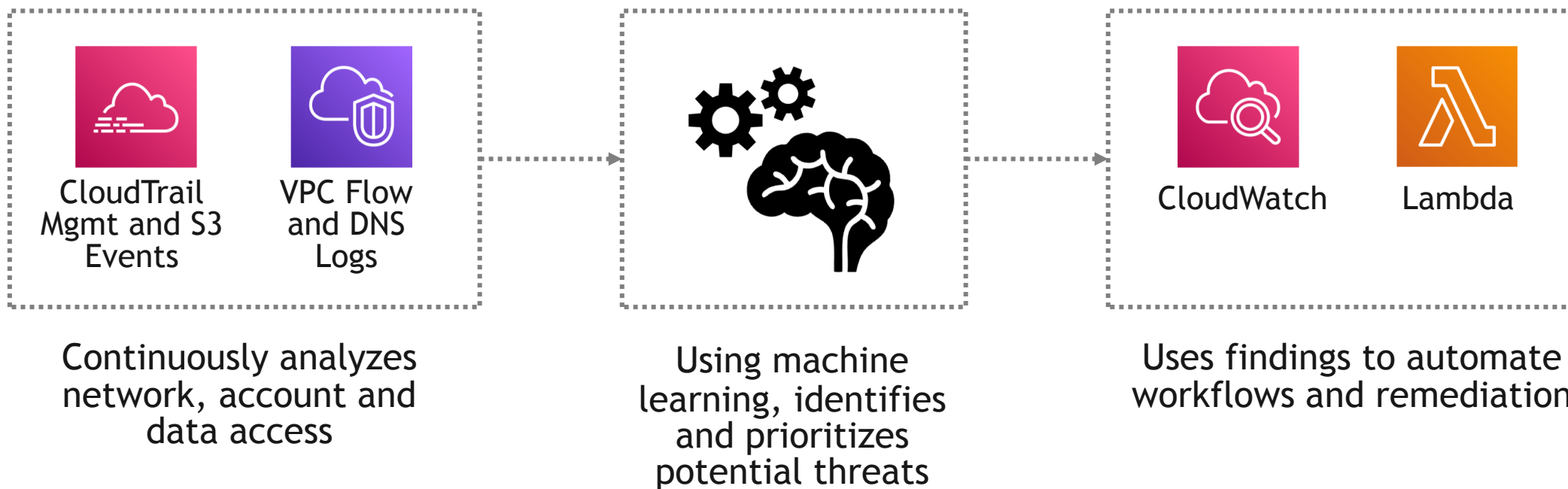
Amazon Inspector





AMAZON GUARDDUTY

Amazon GuardDuty





Inventory, record and audit the configuration of your AWS resources

Example use cases:

- Inventory all your S3 buckets, and when one of them becomes publicly accessible, receive an alert
- Receive an alert when an unauthorized port opens on a security group
- During a compliance audit, show when configurations changed



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Working with AWS Config



AWS Security Hub

Pulls everything together into a consolidated place where you can view and take actions on security issues

- Requires AWS Config
- Cross-account
- Aggregates data from GuardDuty, Inspector, Macie, IAM Access Analyzer, Systems Manager and Firewall Manager



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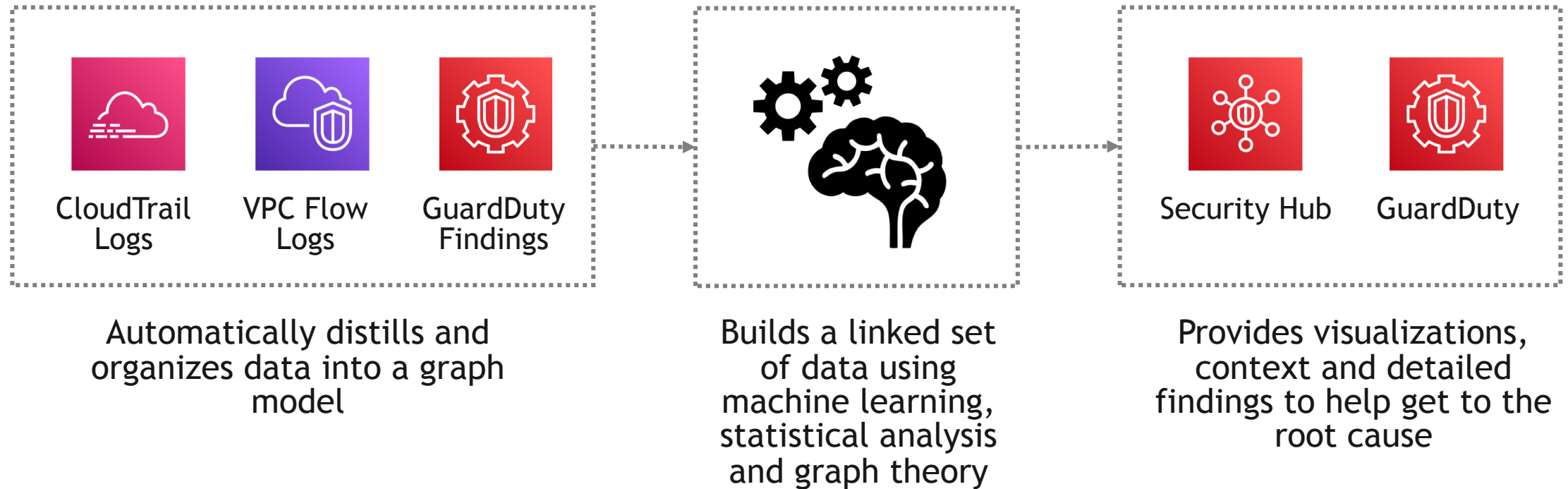
A Tour of AWS Security Hub



AMAZON DETECTIVE

Amazon Detective

Finding Root Cause Quickly





AWS Artifact

Self-service portal to access AWS's
internal compliance reports and
agreements

Free



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A Tour of AWS Artifact

Important Points to Remember

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY MODEL

- AWS is responsible for security OF the cloud
- Customer (you) are responsible for security IN the cloud

IDENTITY AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT (IAM)

- Root account has permissions to do everything, including access to billing info
 - Do NOT use it for everyday work; use an IAM user instead
- By default, IAM users have no permissions
- Multi-factor authentication (MFA) can be enforced for the root account and individual users
- Access keys are required for programmatic access (CLI, SDK)
- Roles should be used to give permissions to other AWS services
- Permissions are controlled by policies; give least privileges

Important Points to Remember

| SERVICE | PRIMARY FUNCTION | POINTS TO REMEMBER |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| AWS Shield | Infrastructure Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Protects against DDoS attacks |
| AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF) | Infrastructure Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Controls incoming and outgoing traffic for applications and websitesBased on rules like, “Block traffic from IP address X” |
| AWS Key Management System (KMS) | Data Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Primary service for encryption in AWSAWS manages the encryption hardware, software and keys for you |
| AWS CloudHSM | Data Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">AWS provisions the hardware and you do everything else |
| AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) | Data Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Provision, manage and deploy SSL/TLS certificates |
| AWS Secrets Manager | Data Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Securely store and rotate secrets, such as a database name/password |
| Amazon Macie | Data Protection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Scans S3 for personally identifiable information (PII) |

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| Amazon Inspector | Detection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monitors EC2 instances and ECR repositories for software vulnerabilities and network exposure |
| Amazon GuardDuty | Detection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monitors AWS accounts, network and S3 for malicious activity |
| AWS Config | Detection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Inventory of resources and recording of configuration/changes |
| AWS Security Hub | Detection | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Consolidated view of all things security (pulls from many other services into a dashboard)Works for multiple accounts |
| Amazon Detective | Incident Response | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Used to quickly get to the root cause of security issues |
| AWS Artifact | Compliance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">View AWS's internal compliance reports and agreements |