

Session Notepads from the January 2015 MITRE-ATARC Collaboration Sessions

Public, Private, Government, or Hybrid
clouds?

Public, Private, Government & Hybrid Session ①

DEFINITIONS

- DIFFERENCE IN PERCEPTION VS NIST DEFINITION
- PUBLIC : all users
- PRIVATE : LIMITED SET OF USERS
- COMMUNITY : RESTRICTED SET OF USERS
- HYBRID : COMBO OF ALL OF ABOVE
+ HOSTED / NON-CLOUD

BARRIERS:

- POLICY
- FUNDING - SECURITY CERTIFICATION, etc.
- AGENCY HOLDS
- LACK OF CLOUD KNOWLEDGE
- LONG TERM VIABILITY OF PROVIDER
- SECURITY
- MIGRATION STRATEGY
- OPERATIONAL CHANGES (e.g. COOP MONITORING)
- DATA POLICIES TO TRANSITION AT CONTRACT TERMINATION
- PRICING BASED ON CURRENT ACQ MODEL
(fixed reserve price vs pay per use)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- USE LEAST RESTRICTIVE DEPLOYMENT MODEL (~~public~~ public, private etc.)
- Define Cloud Broker for Agency
- LEVERAGE LESSONS LEARNED FROM OTHER AGENCIES
- CULTURAL CHANGE MAY BE REQUIRED

WHERE AGENCIES ARE USING CLOUD

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↑ COST
↑ data sensitivity

	IAAS/PAAS	SAAS
Private	dev/test	Email Office prod Collaboration
Government Fed	dev/test	Email Office Prod Collaboration
Public	Public website	Public website Big Data Anal

IAAS/PAAS SAAS

More turnkey security
More controls in place

The Umbrella of Acquisition

Challenge area 2: Umbrella of Acq.

- Can issue a BPA against Schedule 70 & Cloud SLN

- Desire To define "as a service"

Distinction between product & service

- Current plan to consider cloud as outsourcing

- BPA are 5 years

- Need for acq people to understand what we're buying

- NIST Definition of pay per use needs revisiting

★ - No Standard on consumption based pricing

- Industry also would like to converge on standard

B- How do you avoid vendor lock-in?

- Make sure Contract has provisions on data ownership and end of lifecycle

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- Need Guidance when writing contracts with best practice

- Only one SLA training module, none for cloud?

- Concern of being able to a) access data in cases such as law enforcement req
b) ensure that deleted data can be reconstructed

- Rules may be different for public cloud vs. private cloud

- By doing things like turning off machines on weekend. Might be able to perform a no cost extension because of realized cost savings

- Initial challenges were things like

Contract being too specific on things like size of compute

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- A technical person could "technically" obligate the government by turning on a VM

✱ - ~~Is~~ Is cloud a commodity or not?
- It's consumption based

- Where does cost savings come from
- What types of contracts (fixed price vs. cost + fee)

✱ - Should "cloud" be in the FAR?

✱ - How do you cost out things like data breach and include it in contracts

- Going into a cloud contract, you're going into (ideally) a long term relationship

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✱ - Problem w/ Strategic sourcing is aggregating and having unified requirements

- Can we set up a revolving fund that can bridge fiscal years
- Support for standards is our biggest weapon for interop.

Todos:

- Get a revolving fund going
- Define standards for interop
- Changes to FAR to differentiate commodity cloud vs. non-commodity
- Create standard language for contracting

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- Agencies that are moving
to cloud need to get business
processes in order first

- Transparency of pricing and finding a
way to pay for it

- Aggregating demand at higher level

Tiered Architectures

* Security in clouds

Multiple security
classifications on same platform

(DEA) - Separate classified systems.

- FISMA High - NO BROWSERS

- Ideally, Lower sensitive data

- National Security levels vs.
Non-NSS

- Co-mingling NSS + NON
classified vs non.

- Cost vs Risk management.

- Templates for various workloads

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- Can workloads be
(DAS) compartmentalized?

- Boundary / suitability for fit RE:
Appl. / Mission

- Logical separation

- Challenges / Real World :

 - COTS solutions

 - Guaranteed Security

 - Permissions that follow data

 - Classification of Data

 - Sophistication of Threats

- (IRS) - All about the data

3 Real World Constructs cont'd

(Va) * Cost vs Risk

- Identity + Access Control
- Encryption at Storage level
- PIV / CAC / Credentials
- Middleware
- HIPAA
- Attestation
- Inter-Agency Sharing
- SLA
- CAPEX vs OPEX
- Data Loss
- Compromise
- SEPARATION B/W CISO + CIO

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~~Substitute cottage cheese~~
~~for Rigotta.~~ ✓

- SSP - controls vs SLA
- Multiple levels on the same resources
- Geography
- Security personnel

* Is there a concern about
WHERE cloud is located

- Bandwidth
- Latency.
- VDI Solutions

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Where the Cloud is located

- Protection From end to end
- NOC, Backup, Support in different locations.
- Put everything in the contract.
- ITAR
- Supply Chain/Equipment Integrity
- Data encryption
- Key Management System/Key Escrow
- Performance is Key
- Noisy Neighbors
- Over-subscription
- Guaranteed IOPS
- TIC - Not cloud-friendly

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Geography

- COOP
- Flood zone DR/Primary
- DR/COOP/Hot DR/Elasticity
- Using the Cloud for elastic requirements.
- Hybrid Solutions
- Load Balancing

OPERATIONS CONCERNS

- Application upgrades/OS changes/patches
- Change Management
- Control over supply chain.
- Partitioning, based on cust. requirements

7 Operations Concerns

- Backups
 - Where do they go
 - Visibility / Access
 - Log file Analytics.
 - Disk Drive release / reclamation
 - One version ?
 - CO-mingling of companion services
- Cyber Defense
 - Reporting
 - Additional Monitoring
 - Incident Reporting
- Break/Fix coordination
- Financial Stability of CSP
- Data Rights
- Security DATA / SOC

8 Recommendations

- Contract. Put it in the agreement.
 - Consistency
 - Templates
- Shared RFP Templates
- TIC - Fix TIC Problem
Architected for Cloud ? S?
- Data Rights / Data Ownership
 - In Contract.
- COOP / DR
 - CONUS + CLEARANCE
- VISIBILITY
 - How broad is the scope of things like vulnerabilities.
- Trusted Relationship
CYBER Incident Reporting

9 Recommendations

- Change Management
- FedRAMP contract clauses being expanded. / Best Practice sharing
- Business + Technical requirements inside Contract.

The Roles of Cloud Computing in Emerging Technologies

Recommendations

summary

- ① I identify or develop ^{characteristics/} environments unique to emerging technologies in government
- ② Provide ^{appropriate} access to enabling emerging technology
- ③ Create policy and training to enable adoption
- ④ Evaluate cost of adoption/non-adoption
- ⑤ Quantify measures
 - time value of money
 - time to use
 - ex. { - cost of use
 - risk assessment
- ⑥ Ability to leverage emerging technologies requires cloud needs to be recognize