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# Cyber Security and Cryptography: Cybersecurity Challenges in Cloud Computing

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**ABSTRACT:** Cybersecurity and cryptography are imperative regions in cloud computing. They guarantee secure information capacity, transmission, and access. As more information moves to the cloud, solid assurance becomes crucial. However, cloud situations face challenges like multi-tenancy and energetic asset sharing. These make vulnerable to information breaches and unauthorized access. To address these issues, progressed cryptographic methods like homomorphic encryption and zero-knowledge proofs are being investigated. These strategies point to secure information indeed amid preparation and sharing. The first results appear promising information secrecy without compromising usefulness. They also improve client trust and administrative compliance. These improvements show a solid foundation for building secure and versatile cloud frameworks.

**KEYWORDS:** Cloud computing, Computing assets, Web security, Cloud security, Guard mechanisms, Management understanding, Cloud benefit abuse, Delicate information, Individual data, Cybersecurity, Data breaching, and Security

## I. INTRODUCTION

Cloud computing has gotten to be a foundational component within the cutting edge advanced biological system, advertising adaptable, and adaptable get to computing assets over the Web. It allows organizations and people to utilize foundation, stages, and a computer program without owning physical equipment. Key characteristics such as asset pooling, wide arrange get to, and quick flexibility make cloud computing an fundamental instrument for businesses pointing to optimize execution and cost-efficiency. The applications of cloud computing span over healthcare, back, instruction, government, and venture IT frameworks. It underpins various sending models (open, private, half breed, and community) and benefit models (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS). Be that as it may, nearby these preferences come noteworthy

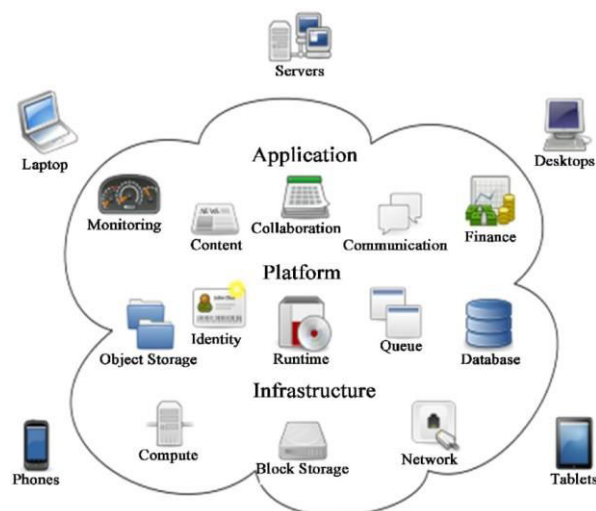


Fig. 1 Basic Cloud Structure

challenges, particularly in terms of security and protection. Concerns such as information breaches, unauthorized get to, unreliable APIs, and multi-tenancy dangers stay major deterrents. Guaranteeing the security of users' information, as well as system integrity and accessibility, may be a basic necessity for cloud benefit providers. Although a significant sum of investigate has been conducted to address security in cloud computing, a few issues stay uncertain. Challenges such as standardization of security hones, taking care of insider dangers, guaranteeing information segregation in multi-tenant situations, and the complexity of administrative compliance are still insufficiently tended to. Moreover, current writing needs a comprehensive comparison of security instruments over various cloud benefit suppliers and models, which is basic for professionals to create educated decisions.

This audit paper points to efficiently analyze and compare the security approaches, advances, and systems utilized in cloud computing. We investigate the current state-of-the-art arrangements, recognize their qualities and confinements, and highlight key regions that require encourage inquire about. By synthesizing experiences from different considers, our objective is to supply a solidified viewpoint on cloud security that will advantage both analysts and industry professionals. The leftover portion of this paper is organized as takes after: Area II traces the center models and engineering of cloud computing. Area III surveys the major security challenges and dangers inside cloud situations. Segment IV overviews existing security instruments and assesses their adequacy. Segment V examines open issues and future bearings in cloud security. At last, Segment VI concludes the paper with a outline of bits of knowledge assembled from the writing.

## II. NEED FOR STUDY

Cloud computing technology is connected to almost every aspect of modern data or network storage. The clouds data provides services and basic necessities with dependability and continuous availability [1]. Security and privacy concerns

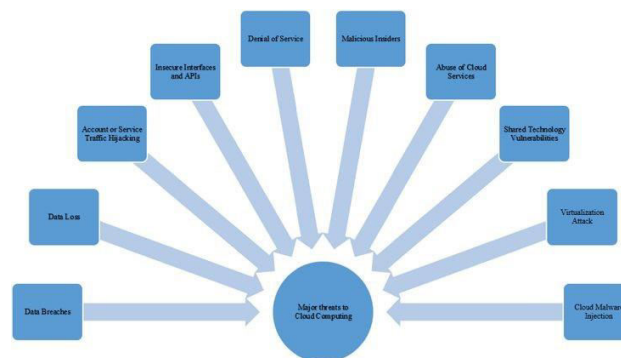


Fig. 2 Major Threats in Cloud Computing

related to in the context of the cloud are one of the prominent issues that discourage acceptance and dissemination of cloud computing of cloud computing in addition to these common security concerns, this multi-tenancy platform combines distributed computing resources, generating new security risks that enhance pre-existing ones [1]. Security and privacy issues regarding in the context of the cloud are one of the major issues that discourage adoption and sharing deliberation malicious attacks, cloud application weaknesses, insufficiency related to threats, identification, general security information, patching weaknesses [14]

## III. LITERATURE REVIEW

Cloud computing provides a modern alternative to many traditional web services, but it also faces a number of security risks, some of which are common to other online services and others that are specific to the cloud. Some of the most recognizable and possible risky risks in cloud computing are illustrated.

### A. Data breaches:

Some of the most recognizable and possible dangerous risks in cloud computing are shown. [11]. This risk includes, among other things, issues of negligence or human error, services, users depend on virtual machines (VMs), APIs, and other software interfaces [15,17]. Due to the fact that they provide activity monitoring, management, and service

provision, these points of interaction are essential [16]. But security flaws in these areas can result in problems including unauthorized authentication, inappropriate access controls, and encryption breaches.

#### **B. Data loss:**

Data Loss is one of the biggest problems with many cloud computing strategies that can be used to ruin your data by modifying or deleting the original content when data is lost in the cloud. Hard-identification devices can detect malware or viruses that infect hardware, hardware, backup system, or data recovery system. Natural disasters like power failure, human error, and hard drive failure [9].

#### **C. Account or service traffic hijacking:**

Hijacking of account or service Traffic hijacking of account or service the hacking of personal information such as account data and personal services, is a problem that cloud computing and most other online businesses have to deal with [3].Private information, like credit card numbers, bank account data, and photos, can be attacked by hackers or cybercriminals and then be shared, used, or sold [12,13]. This threat also includes tactics like man-in- the-middle attacks, social engineering schemes, eavesdropping on user activities, and the invasion of systems by malware or spyware [10,14].

#### **D. Insecure interfaces and application programme interfaces (APIs):**

Virtual machines (VMs), insecure APIs, and interfaces can all be serious risks to the cloud computing environment. To access cloud services, users depend on virtual machines (VMs), APIs, and other software interfaces [15,17]. Due to the fact that they provide activity monitoring, management, and service provision, these points of interaction are essential [16]. But security flaws in these areas can result in problems including unauthorized authentication, inappropriate access controls, and encryption breaches.

#### **E. Denial of service (DoS):**

With excessive traffic, typically spam, an attacker can cause a Denial of Service (DoS) attack to drain resources [18]. Authorized users may lose access to resources and services [18].Weak network defense, sensitive applications, exposed network protocols, and other issues can render a system vulnerable to this attack [4,9].

#### **F. Malicious insiders:**

Threats to the internal security of cloud are also ominous and might prove to be more difficult to avoid.Anyone with administrative privileges, such as insiders or employees, might duplicate sensitive information on a storage device [15].Intellectual property theft by angry former employees, system administrators, business partners, or external contractors might also be a threat [18].Minimizing these threats involves restricting access to sensitive data and thoroughly vetting those with access to key systems [2].

#### **G. Misuse of cloud services:**

Abuses of cloud resources When using the cloud, users typically believe they have unlimited computing resources,network capacity, and disk space [18].Unfortunately, this vast capacity can be misused by spammers, hackers, malware creators, and other cybercriminals for purposes such as hosting malicious content, creating network bottlenecks, or breaking encryption or passwords [10].They are often due to ambiguous service level agreements and a lack of monitoring within the cloud environment [11].

#### **H. Shared technology vulnerabilities:**

Common technology weaknesses Cloud computing is a dynamic technology that allows for the sharing of infrastructure, services, and resources.The multi-tenant platform uses a hypervisor to control guest operating system access [18].License and limitation problems with hypervisors provide unwanted users with too much access and control.

In addition, virtual machine and third-party switch vulnerabilities can increase this threat [11].

#### **I. Virtualisation attack:**

The highest performance virtual solutions are best suited to work with the native virtualization architecture, which needs special hardware [18].Yet, attacking weaknesses and loopholes in current operating systems enables attackers to hijack the host operating system [18].The hypervisor itself is vulnerable as soon as the attacker has access to the host



operating system .The attacker can then perform evil deeds on any virtual machine under its control because they have administrative privileges over the hypervisor.

#### J. Cloud malware injection:

Cloud malware injection The objective of Cloud Malware Injection Attacks (CMIAAs) is to get access to user data processed and stored on the cloud.Two of these attacks more typical forms are SQL injection and cross-site scripting [18].These risks are possible as a result of security weaknesses in cloud service providers such as OpenStack. Attackers are able to exploit malicious code to steal altered data from memory buffers through weaknesses in contemporary computer systems architecture.

### IV. CHALLENGES FACED IN ADOPTING CLOUD COMPUTING

These types of attacks point out severe security vulnerabilities in cloud computing. Problems encountered in embracing cloud computing The respondents were further questioned on the problems they faced when implementing cloud computing services. Interestingly, only about 13 percent indicated facing challenges.As per a study quoted by the authors, cloud computing relies on an assortment of resources, and some companies struggle to gain the maximum benefits out of it with proper management [19].Cloud resource management has to be planned and structured so that cloud computing can work [18].

#### Key Challenges:

##### A. Heterogeneous Resource Management:

Cloud situations ordinarily include a wide blend of framework components, such as distinctive sorts of virtual machines, capacity sorts, working frameworks, organizing hardware, and third-party applications. Overseeing this heterogeneity is complex for a few reasons

Compatibility Issues: Joining bequest frameworks with more up to date cloud-based innovations can be actually challenging.

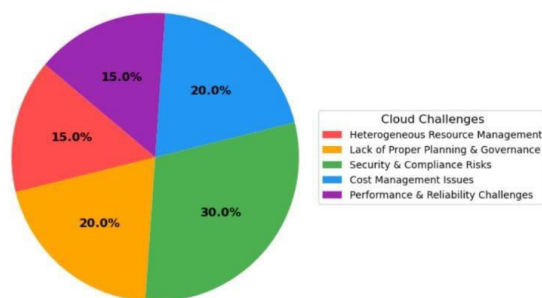


Fig. 3 Key Challenges in Cloud Computing

Skill Holes: Not all IT groups are prepared with the ability to oversee assorted frameworks, particularly when different cloud merchants (AWS, Purplish blue, GCP) are involved.

Tool Over-burden: Each cloud supplier has its claim set of administration and observing devices, making it harder to make a bound together administration strategy.

Illustration: A company utilizing both AWS for compute and Google Cloud for AI/ML may battle to synchronize workflows and information between the platforms.

##### B. Lack of Proper Planning and Governance:

Many organizations surge into cloud appropriation to remain competitive, but come up short to plan a comprehensive cloud technique. Without governance:

Resource Sprawl: Divisions may arrangement assets freely, driving to underutilized occurrences and storage. Budget Overwhelms: Costs winding when there's no perceivability or control over who is devouring what. Lack of Security Oversight: No clear possession or rules for dealing with information increments the hazard of vulnerabilities. Best Hone: Create a Cloud Center of Fabulousness (CCoE) to direct appropriation, uphold approaches, and optimize utilization over departments.

### C. Security and Compliance Risks:

As companies move basic workloads and touchy information to the cloud, the assault surface increments essentially.

The key dangers include:

Data Breaches: Misconfigured capacity buckets or frail get to control can uncover delicate information. Unauthorized Get to: Destitute personality and get to administration (IAM) setups permit assailants or inner clients to pick up control of resources. Regulatory Infringement: Businesses like healthcare and fund must comply with controls such as GDPR, HIPAA, PCIDSS. Non-compliance can lead to overwhelming fines and legitimate issues.

Arrangement: Execute solid IAM arrangements, encryption (both at rest and in travel), ceaseless security appraisals, and compliance audits.

### D. Cost Management Issues

Cloud's pay-as-you-go demonstrate offers adaptability but frequently leads to budget unpredictability:

Overprovisioning: Groups may save huge occurrences or tall capacity volumes a just in case ^ a and never completely utilize ^ them.

Idle Assets: Virtual machines, databases, or capacity can stay dynamic indeed when not in utilize, noiselessly bringing about charges.

Lack of Taken a toll Perceivability: Without dashboards and cautions, it gets to be difficult to distinguish fetched peculiarities early.

Tip: Utilize cloud-native taken a toll optimization devices (e.g., AWS Taken a toll Pilgrim, Sky blue Advisor) and actualize mechanized scaling and asset labeling to track utilization by venture or department.

### E. Performance and Reliability Challenges:

Cloud applications are exceedingly subordinate on organize network and third-party benefit accessibility, and are subject to:

Downtime and Inactivity: In the event that your web association falls flat or a cloud supplier faces an blackout, your operations can crush to a halt. Service-Level Assentment (SLA) Restrictions: Most suppliers offer "99.9 Scalability Bottlenecks: Amid activity surges, unoptimized frameworks may battle to scale, affecting client experience.

Arrangement: Utilize multi-cloud (e.g., AWS + Sky blue) or half breed cloud models (on-premise + cloud) with stack adjusting, failover components, and substance conveyance systems (CDNs) to guarantee accessibility and speed.

## V. CONCLUSION

Cloud computing has become a powerful tool for businesses, offering the convenience of accessing data anytime and from anywhere. Compared to conventional desktop frameworks, it too makes a difference diminish costs related to equipment and software. As a result, cloud administrations spare cash and make it less demanding for both huge enterprises and start-ups. The benefits and impediments of cloud computing are displayed in this research. It focuses out the center dangers, challenges, and security measures for the purpose of empowering companies to comprehend and handle the innovation more successfully. Hazard of information breaches, which are generally caused by destitute administration or understanding of cloud administrations, is one of the center concerns .If cloud administrations are not well ensured, they may be abused, compromising the security of users and imperative company data. With computer and telecom systems spreading, security dangers increase. Since cloud computing is developing based on systems and shared assets, security takes center stage. The frameworks are defenseless to various cyber assaults that result in genuine hurt to cloud benefit suppliers and their clients. Hackers employ advanced and advancing procedures to get to indeed the foremost ensured systems. Despite ceaseless endeavors by engineers and security groups to secure these

stages, aggressors have overseen to disrupt major mechanical and monetary operations. They use clever tactics and even refer to themselves using terms like “crackers,” “whackers,” or “samurais,” reflecting their intent to exploit and damage sensitive data.

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