Cloud Computing

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Cloud computing was originally created to allow two or more people to use a computer simultaneously. This was originally sanctioned by DARPA (the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency), when they presented MIT $2 million for Project MAC(Foote 2017). With the creation of the internet in the late 1960’s and further advancements in the 1990’s, virtual private computers became available. Further developments in the late 1990’s and early 2000’s solidified cloud computing as a viable option for businesses and private users alike. In our current fast-paced, profit oriented time, hosting a service using on-premises hardware is almost unthinkable with the initial cost and time it takes to set up. Today, the cloud offers a cheap, reliable, scalable solution for hosting applications and services for users that should not be overlooked.

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