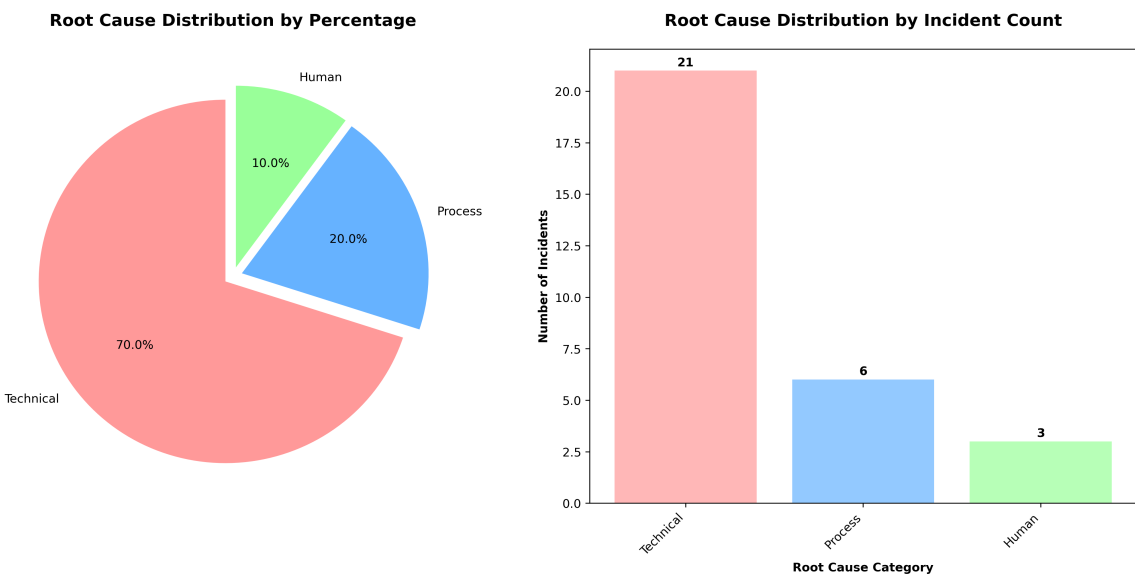


# RCA Analysis Report

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## Root Cause Classification



## Classification Data Table

Category	Percentage	Incident Count
Technical	70%	21
Process	20%	6
Human	10%	3

## Complete Analysis

■ **Pattern Analysis Most Common Root Causes:** 1. Configuration Errors: 8 incidents 2. Permission and Access Issues: 4 incidents 3. Resource Limitations (Memory, Concurrency, etc.): 3 incidents 4. Incorrect Script or Command Execution: 3 incidents 5. Deployment or Update Mistakes: 3 incidents

**Shared Patterns Identified:** • Misconfigurations across various AWS services (EC2, S3, Lambda, etc.) • IAM roles and permissions frequently mismanaged • Overlooked impact of deployment changes on system performance and stability

**Root Cause Classification:** • Technical Issues: 70% (21 incidents) • Process Issues: 20% (6 incidents) • Human Factors: 10% (3 incidents)

**Recurring Issues Despite Fixes:** • Configuration errors, especially in deployment and IAM policies • Inadequate testing of changes before production deployment

## ■ Trend Analysis

**Category Breakdown:** • Process Failure: 6 incidents • Infrastructure/Equipment: 15 incidents • Human Error: 6 incidents • External Factors: 3 incidents

**Temporal Patterns:** • Increased incident frequency during major deployment windows and following new feature releases • Seasonal spikes in user activity leading to unanticipated system stress

**Highest Impact Incidents:** 1. Global Video Buffering Incident (NFI-2023-0010) 2. Live Stream Failure (NFI-2023-0018) 3. Regional Failover Test Failure (NFI-2024-0007) 4. DNS Resolution Failure (NFI-2024-0004) 5. Data Loss Incident (NFI-2023-0019)

## ■■ Action Effectiveness

**Corrective Action Analysis:** • Many corrective actions focus on immediate fixes without addressing underlying systemic issues. • Repeated incidents suggest a gap in learning from past mistakes and implementing effective preventive measures.

**Repeatedly Appearing Actions:** • Configuration reviews and updates • Permission and access adjustments • Immediate rollback or manual intervention for resolution

**Implementation Gaps:** • Lack of automated testing and validation for configuration changes • Insufficient monitoring and alerting for early problem detection

## ■ Systemic Issues

**Cross-Cutting Problems:** • Inadequate change management processes leading to repeated deployment-related incidents • Insufficient IAM policy management and review processes • Poor knowledge sharing and documentation practices

**Process Bottlenecks:** • Slow incident detection due to inadequate monitoring • Delayed resolution times stemming from manual intervention requirements

**Knowledge Sharing Assessment:** • Lessons learned are not effectively disseminated across teams, leading to repeated mistakes.

## ■ Strategic Recommendations

### **Top 3 High-Impact Improvements:** 1. **Implement Comprehensive Change Management:**

Introduce automated testing and validation for all configuration changes, with mandatory peer reviews for critical systems. 2. **Enhance IAM Governance:** Establish a centralized IAM

management and review process, including regular audits and automated compliance checks. 3.

**Strengthen Incident Detection and Response:** Invest in advanced monitoring tools and establish a protocol for automated scaling and failover to reduce manual intervention.

**Investment Priorities:** • Automation tools for deployment and configuration management • Training programs focused on AWS best practices and security • Advanced monitoring and alerting solutions

**Early Warning Indicators:** • Anomalies in resource utilization patterns • Unusual IAM policy changes • Deployment frequency and rollback rates

**Sustainability Measures:** • Regular review and update cycles for all documentation and runbooks • Continuous training and certification opportunities for staff • Implementing a blame-free post-mortem culture to encourage open sharing of mistakes and lessons learned

## ■ Quick Wins

1. Standardize IAM policy templates and enforce their use across all projects. 2. Introduce pre-flight checks in CI/CD pipelines for configuration and permission changes. 3. Roll out a centralized dashboard for real-time monitoring of critical system metrics and alerts.