



# Cloud Computing

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# What is it?



**There is no cloud**  
it's just someone else's computer

- A silly catchphrase with a disheartening origin
- Technically it can be IaaS, SaaS, PaaS
- Is it new?
- Why virtualize? Why not just rent servers?

What's good about it?

Redundancy

Scalability

Co-Location

Lower Bandwidth Costs

Lower Building Costs

Lower Staffing Costs

What's bad about it?

Recurring Costs

Loss of Physical Control

Security Concerns

# How does it work?

## Virtual Machines

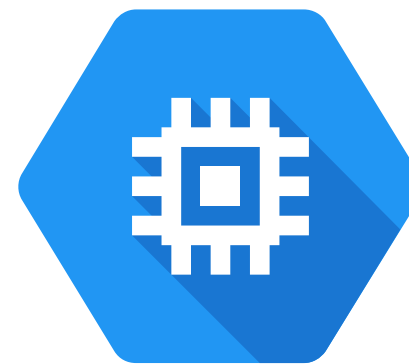
- VirtualBox, QEMU, VMware, [AWS Nitro](#) , etc.
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- How do they work?
- Why use them?

## Containers

- Docker, etc.
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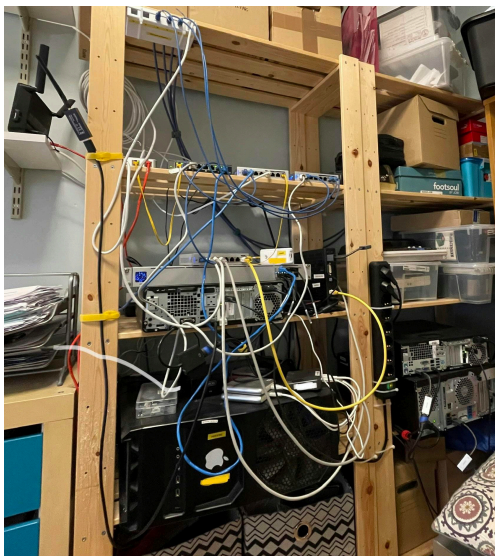
# Who does it?

- [Amazon Web Services](#)
- [Microsoft Azure](#)
- [Google Compute Engine](#)
- Most PaaS and SaaS runs on one of these





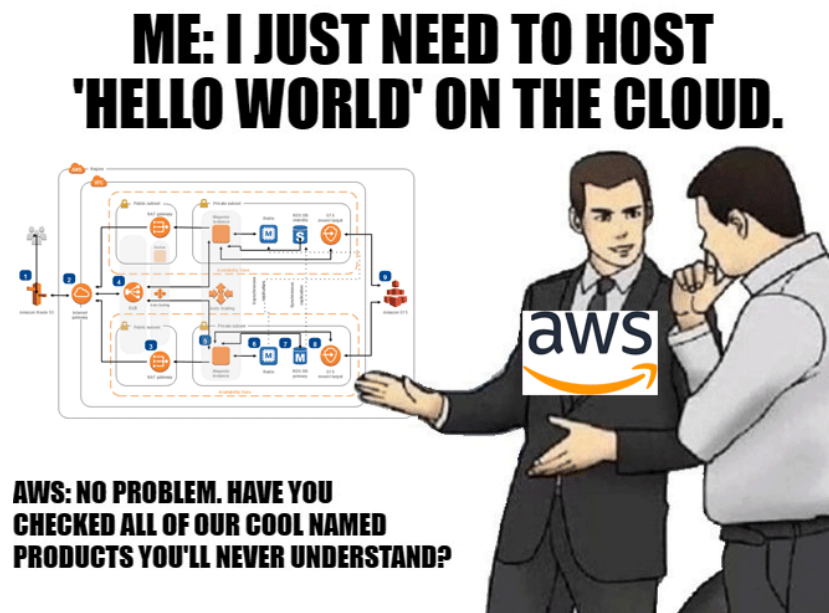
# Want to try it at home?



- [/r/homelab](#)
- Server hardware is [CHEAP](#) (data centers refresh often)
- Virtualization Platforms
  - [Proxmox](#)
  - [ESXi](#)
  - [XenServer](#)
- You will learn a lot
- You may also scare your family members and pets with loud noises and heavy computers!
- What is in the “bare metal” of a virtualization server?  
Memory and processor cores. The more the merrier.

# What can AWS do for you?

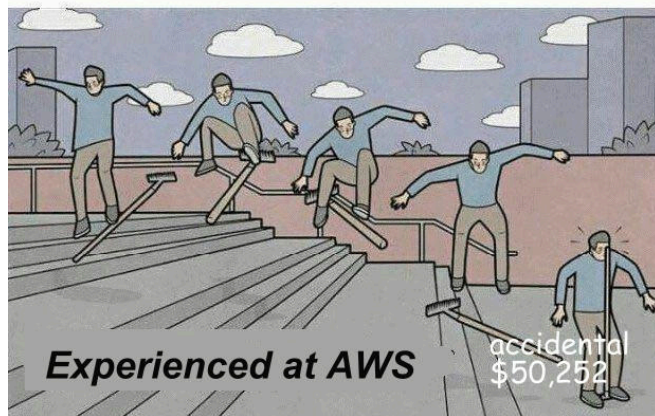
- Network architecture as code (subnets, VPCs, internet gateways, NAT gateways, load balancers, etc).
- Tons of services: S3 storage, RDS database, ECS containers, EC2 compute, IAM identity and access...
- Deploy *quickly*
- Scale *quickly*
- Unique products: spot instances, AMI sharing, mechanical turk 😊



# How do you deploy to AWS?



New to AWS



From least favorite to most favorite:

1. AWS Web Console / Instance Management
2. AWS Command Line and scripts
3. AWS Command Line and Ansible/Vagrant
4. [Terraform](#) and Provisioning Scripts
5. Terraform and Ansible

[Terraform licensing issue?](#)