



Security Issues in Cloud / Edge / Fog Computing

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- Lesson in site and remote (Teams).





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- Dedicated Teams channel:
 - **▶** PhD STIET Cyber security approaches for Cloud/Edge Environments

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/team/19%3a-Dtnw_NHUAl1AjZZV4HixlifmU8gywbskeeQwSV-uk1%40thread.tacv2/conversations?groupId=bdafff5c-0ab9-44b2-aef2-5a14e1dd6e15&tenantId=6cd36f83-1a02-442d-972f-2670cb5e9b1a

- Optional homework.
 - Available in Teams.
- Final Exam with two options:
 - ► **Theoretical**: short survey with 3 papers.
 - ▶ **Pratical**: 2 exercises.
 - **Quiz**: multiple choice questions.





Key Features

Key Features	Cloud	Fog	Edge
Compute, storage, and networking capabilities	√	✓	√
Virtualization and Multitenancy	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Elastic compute/ Resource pooling	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Large scale and long-term processing, storage, and networking	✓	-	-
Centralized operations	\checkmark	-	-
Fast response time, low latency, and location awareness	-	✓	\checkmark
Mobility support	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Short-term, small-scale processing, storage	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Decentralized infrastructure	-	\checkmark	\checkmark
Dense geographic distribution	-	\checkmark	\checkmark
Data Service at the edge	-	\checkmark	\checkmark
Real-time interactions and proximity to end-users	-	√	√





Reviews on Cloud Security 1/2

R1	Yl	F1	P1	S1	Key Contribution	Suggested Research Directions
[22]	2019	Cloud compo- nent threats, attacks & vulnerabilities	120	2010– 2017	Systematic identifica- tion and classification of threats to cloud secu- rity from the side of the Cloud Service Provider, CSP category	1)Systemic identification and classification of non- malicious threats. 2)Fur- ther exploration of threats under the CSC category, as well as other cloud stake- holder categories
[23]	2019	virtualization- related issues	132	2010– 2018	Vulnerabilities, threats, and attacks in virtualiza- tion components of cloud systems	I)Improvements in secure virtualization mechanisms for cloud and related com- puting technologies, such as fog and edge
[24]	2019	Security require- ments, threats, vulnerabilities	312	2010– 2019	Unified taxonomy for security requirements, threats and vulnerabilities in cloud	1)Trust based security models. 2)How does cloud security impact emerging cloud-enabled applications such as IoT, SDN, and NFV?
[25]	2018	Security issues at different levels of cloud architecture	23	2009– 2018	Cloud security issues at different levels of cloud virtualization: communi- cation, computational and SLA levels of the cloud.	Application, network and host level security mitigations
[26]	2017	All general aspects of cloud security	174	2010– 2015	Cloud underlying tech- nologies, security issues, threats, attacks and sug- gested solutions	A unified or holistic security solution that meets most security goals of the cloud
[27]	2017	Threats to cloud adoption along with current solutions	34	2009– 2015	Cloud attack vectors, attack solutions with industry examples. Also provides analysis of main threats to cloud adoption	1)The use of containers as a more secure option, though they could introduce new security issues. 2) Mechanisms to protect users from attacks by infrastructure owners. 3) Hardware based attestation and homomorphic methods.
[2]	2017	Security is- sues in cloud components	6	2012- 2015	Risks and solutions for mitigation of vulner- abilities in the cloud components. Security is framed as a combined responsibility of all the associated actors.	1)Security models for systems development life cycle (SDLC) for cloud consumers. 2)Challenges, requirements and impacts of effective security aware- ness and training on the side of the CSC
[28]	2015	Public and pri- vate cloud issues focusing on data issues	15	2010– 2013	Access and Data utiliza- tion management where access control and en- cryption are highlighted as important elements of data security	Trust mechanisms, authentication, and verifications of the point of multi sourced data origin- as mechanisms for improved data security

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[29]	2015	Cloud novel and architectural issues	126	2011– 2014	Multilevel discussion on cloud security issues (communication, archi- tectural and SLA levels).	1)Privacy preservation and SLA security solutions
[30]	2016	Challenges in public and private clouds	146	2009– 2014	Communication, architectural and compliance issues. Also, vulnerabilities in mobile cloud computing	1)Proposal for a three-tier security solution architecture, 2) Research into elements such as vendor-lock in multi-Cloud, and emerging cloud-related technologies and applications (such as fog, edge, SDN, NFV)
[31]	2014	Vulnerabilities, threats and at- tacks in cloud and industry perspectives	227	2009– 2012	Threats and challenges from both academic and industry perspective with real-life examples incidents.	1)Malware camouflage. 2) Cloud auditability and accountability 3) Privacy preservation. 4) Trust-based security models. 5) BYOD management
[32]	2014	Privacy preserva- tion issues in e-Health	98	2010– 2013	Approaches for preserva- tion of the privacy of patient health data.	1)Improvements in available encryption and policy-based approaches such as PKE and secure provenance techniques.
[33]	2014	Secure remote storage and computation for data security.	91	2009– 2012	Virtualization, authentica- tion, integrity, avail- ability, accountability, and privacy of remote storage/computation	1)Task configuration automation for use with cloud providers. 2) Techniques for CSP accountability. 3) Public verifiability
[34]	2013	Analyses of cloud attacks and Intrusion detec- tion systems	16	2009– 2013	Discussion on various cloud attacks to confiden- tiality, integrity and avail- ability; and recommended intrusion detection/ prevention systems in the cloud scenario	1)Improvements in Host based IDS, Network based IDS, and Distributed IDS
[35]	2013	Cloud Vulner- abilities Threats, and Attacks at different layers	49	2009– 2012	Presented security issues that hinder cloud adop- tion and their enabling technologies	1)Multi-level data security models. 2)Reputation and content-based trust 3) Pri- vacy preservation. 4) Cryp tographic key management 5) Cloud governance
[36]	2013	Cloud security issues due to cloud its business model: SLA, Trust and Data	15	2009– 2012	Present conventional and new challenges due to the cloud's business model that largely encourages non-transparency to end users, specifically of public cloud	1)SLA amendment models 2) Accountability. 3) Cloud service model re- engineering. 4)End-user centric mechanisms for data integrity





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[37]	2013	Basic concepts of security, privacy, authen- tication and trust management	70	2009– 2012	Foundational survey on fundamental secu- rity, trust and privacy concerns, discussing the complex relationship be- tween the three elements. A brief discussion on suggested solutions.	(1) Tans-border data flow restriction issues such as liabilities, difficulty know- ing geographic location of data, migration, data rema- nence, auditing, account- ability and availability, as relates to this issue. (2) Security as a service
[38]	2013	Security issues on the basis of cloud main security requirements.	54	2009– 2012	Generic attribute-driven methodology represen- tative of cloud secu- rity, privacy and trust based on confidential- ity, integrity, availabil- ity, accountability, and privacy-preservability.	1)The relationship between extreme privacy and accountability
[14]	2013	Threats, Attacks and Vulner- abilities in cloud service models	64	2009– 2012	Cloud-related threats, vulnerabilities, and coun- termeasures, service level security views from end users' perspective	Reengineering of solutions to virtualization and data security issues to match the cloud's complexity.
[39]	2013	Hypervisor security and vulnerabilities	19	2009– 2011	Characterization of different dimensions of hypervisor vulnerabilities to understand potential attack paths and where the defenses should be focused.	1)Hypervisor security mechanisms.
[40]	2012	Security issues due to cloud characteristics	4	2009– 2011	Survey on cloud service models, cloud deploy- ment models and related security requirements. Issues related with cloud storage further discussed.	(1) Virtualization (2) End to end security (3) Cloud- application security (4) Information assurance (5) Trust models
[41]	2012	Data and Com- munication security issues	29	2009– 2010	Data, communication, trust, multi-tenancy, ac- count control and insider threats issues	(1) Improvements in cryptographic methods in terms of computational overheads (2) Trusted third party (3) Authentication mechanisms.
[6]	2012	Threats due to multitenancy in PaaS	56	2009– 2010	Security of Platform as a Service (PaaS) with a focus multitenancy- related risk	Enforcement of security policies on external un- trusted code in develop- ment environments, safe thread termination, fault administration and installa- tion isolation and resource accounting

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[42]	2011	Security issues in cloud IaaS	68	2009– 2011	Foundational discussion on cloud security issues; from the networking, virtualization, and physi- cal sides of cloud IaaS networks.	(1) Security of VM images, isolation, secure networking in virtual networks (2) Trust and auditability
[43]	2011	Cloud computing security models and strategies	1	2009– 2011	Security models such as multiple-tenancy model, risk accumulation model, cube model; along with associated risks due to stakeholders in a cloud network	Security risks due to privileged and malicious CSPs, SLA amendment, models for multi-cloud security, reputations and trust management, proac- tive alarm systems for malicious activity.
[44]	2011	Security issues due to cloud in- frastructure and components	1	2009– 2011	Issues and existing security approaches to secure infrastructure and applications.	(1) Multilevel solutions (2) Availability and perfor- mance mechanisms (3) Service disruption defenses (4) Self-defending VM
[45]	2011	Cloud-specific vulnerabilities and risks	2	2009– 2011	Foundational review of general security is- sues and cloud-specific issues from various perspectives. Emphasis on vulnerabilities and risks factors in cloud computing.	Security controls in a cloud setting
[46]	2011	Security issues related to SaaS, PaaS and IaaS	41	2009– 2010	Summarized cloud security issues based on service delivery models (i.e., IaaS, PaaS, SaaS); and mainly focus on SaaS.	1) More research explora- tion in PaaS and IaaS.
[47]	2010	CSP-related security concerns	3	2008– 2010	CSA-related security requirements. Issues such as data ownership, legal problems, privacy and multi-location data stor- age also highlighted	1) Multi-location data issues, cloud application security, infrastructure Se- curity, improved strategies for availability, account- ability, auditability and trust management.
[48]	2010	Trust in the cloud environment.	13	2008– 2010	Issues in cloud comput- ing that exacerbate trust such as outsourcing, resource sharing access management and reliance on third parties.	1) Data-centric security mechanisms, management of semantic heterogene- ity trust management frameworks and secure provisioning.





Reviews on Fog/Edge Security

R1	Y1	F1	P1	S1	Key Contributions	Research Opportunities/ Gaps identified
[49]	2018	Trust, architec- tural and related trust issues.	93	2013– 2017	Offer detailed discussion on trust. Key fog issues include authentication, access control, malicious attacks, privacy and secure communications	Service availability, secure shared technology, trust management models, malicious fog nodes, strong identity verification mechanisms, secure fog node orchestration
[50]	2018	Fog and edge environment threats	125	2013– 2016	Security challenges in edge paradigms, along with available solutions in literature. Recommend synergistic approach to new solution engineering.	Identity and authentica- tion management, access control security in edge environments, protocol and network security, trust management, intru- sion detection and foren- sics in fog computing
[51]	2017	Authentication and trust in the Fog layer	61	2014– 2017	Foundational survey on main security and privacy issues along with recommended solutions in fog environments such as trust, malicious at- tacks, secure communication and end user privacy	Authentication-as-a service, mobility, trust mechanism reengineer- ing such as certifi- cates and Public-Key Infrastructure (PKI) modifications.
[52]	2017	Survey of fog application security issues	144	2014– 2017	Foundational survey focus- ing on security of fog apps. Virtualization, web security, communication, data secu- rity, wireless security and malware issues are main issues discussed.	Privacy preservation, malicious insider detec- tion and mitigations, au- thentication, and the use of advanced encryption standards with improved resource consumption
[5]	2017	Privacy preservation in fog- based vehicular networks	149	2011– 2016	Survey on assurance, privacy preservation, and incentive-driven fog-based vehicular crowd sensing; issues discussed include parking navigation, road surface monitoring and traffic collision reconstruction.	Secure mechanisms for incentive-driven crowd sensing, secure tasking and crowd sensing reporting, privacy-preserving navigation, data security and privacy in fog nodes, trust mechanisms
[53]	2017	Security and privacy is- sues in IoT environments	14	2013– 2015	Main issues to fog and edge security are network security, data security, access control and privacy. Emphasis is on data and location privacy.	Privacy preservation, specifically location and data privacy techniques.
[54]	2015	Fog system access and identity management	39	2013– 2014	Foundational paper focused on a few security elements in fog computing such ac- cess issues and attacks such as the man-in-the-middle attack. A 'typical' man-in- the-middle attack scenario is demonstrated	Computation and storage security mechanisms, smart grid security, SDN security in vehicular networks Mitigation of the Man-in-the-middle attacks in fog and edge environments.

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[55]	2015	General foun- dational survey in fog security and privacy	48	2013– 2014	Foundational survey for understanding fog secu- rity. Wireless and network security issues, trust and authentication highlighted as main concerns in fog.	Reputation-based trust model, modification of traditional authentication techniques in light of power limitations of fog, rogue fog nodes.
[56]	2015	General survey of fog applica- tions and Issues	55	2014– 2014	Enlightens secure design attributes of fog systems, and issues due to fog system design.	Secure design recommendations for fog systems and applications
[57]	2015	General review of security issues and solu- tions in fog and edge systems	6	2013– 2014	Examines and analyzes available IoT security issues such as those of fog nodes and IoT nodes and Man-in-the-middle attacks.	Efficient collection and analysis of logs in IoT environments for situational security situations
[58]	2015	Fog forensics	23	2013– 2014	Review of fog forensic issues in cloud and fog environ- ments; laying foundation for understanding forensics in this paradigm.	Cross border data and regulatory issues, and Man in the Middle attacks in fog and edge environments,
[21]	2014	Authentication and Encryption	31	2013– 2014	Foundational paper on fog issues. Lay solid foundation for the understanding of security and privacy issues and solutions in fog computing.	Public key infrastructure (PKI) based solutions for authentication, multicast authentication, Diffie-Hellman key exchange, and other encryption schemes.

