


# A Cloud Security Ghost Story

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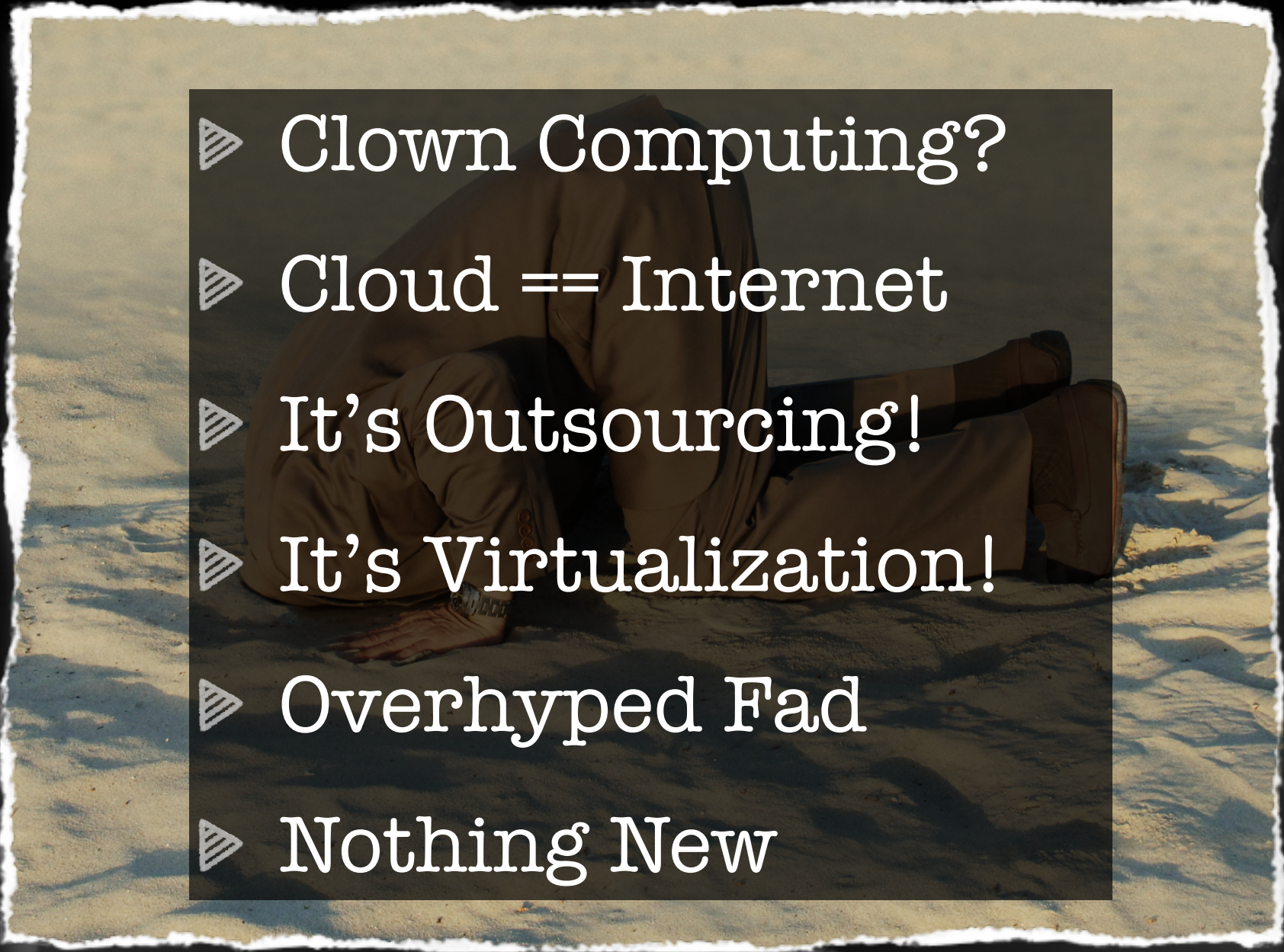
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- \* ...to allow time for Q&A at end
- \* If you want SAP Pwnage, other track ;-)


# Tweeting/Blogging?

Please add the tag:

`cloudsec`

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- A person wearing a brown jumpsuit is crawling on a sandy beach. The person's head is down, and they are moving across the sand. The background is a bright, sunny beach scene with shadows cast on the sand. Overlaid on this image is a semi-transparent dark rectangle containing a list of six points, each preceded by a right-pointing triangle icon.
- ▶ Clown Computing?
  - ▶ Cloud == Internet
  - ▶ It's Outsourcing!
  - ▶ It's Virtualization!
  - ▶ Overhyped Fad
  - ▶ Nothing New

Don't Believe in Clouds?

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- A man with a white beard and a white turban, wearing a dark patterned jacket, is looking into a glowing crystal ball. The scene is set against a dark background with a white, torn-paper-like border.
- ▶ A Service Model
  - ▶ \*aaS: ...as a Service
  - ▶ On-Demand
  - ▶ Pay As You Go (CC)
  - ▶ Elastic
  - ▶ Abstracted Resource

# What Is “Cloud”?



Cloud Security

vs.

Security in the Cloud

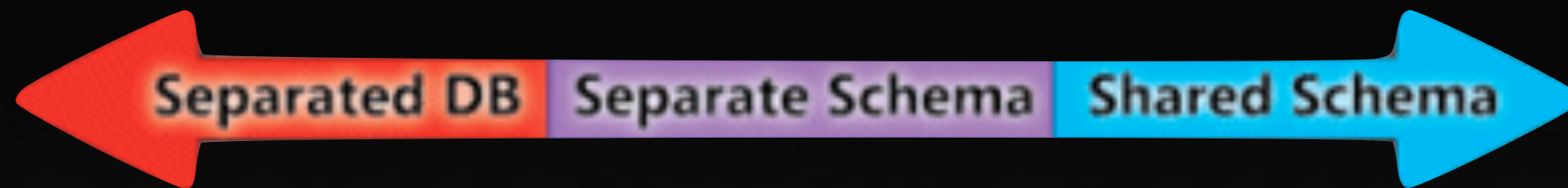
Avoid the Facepalm



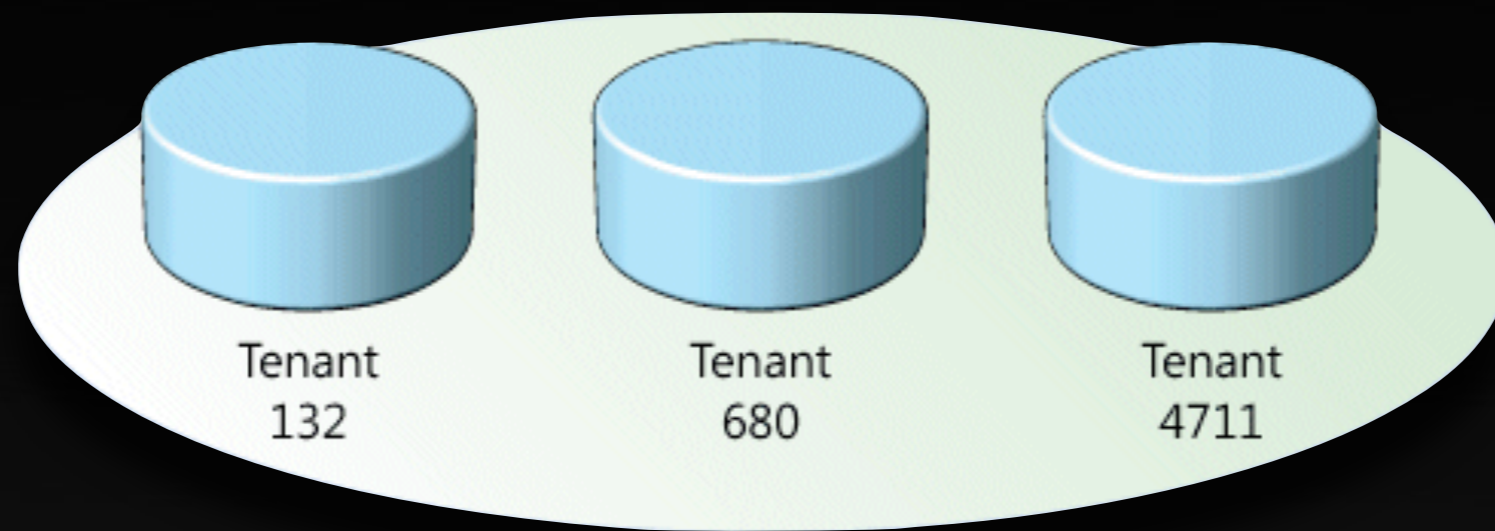
- ▶ This is not ASP
- ▶ Shared Hardware
- ▶ Shared Fabric / Host
- ▶ Scalability / Cost

# Multi Tenancy

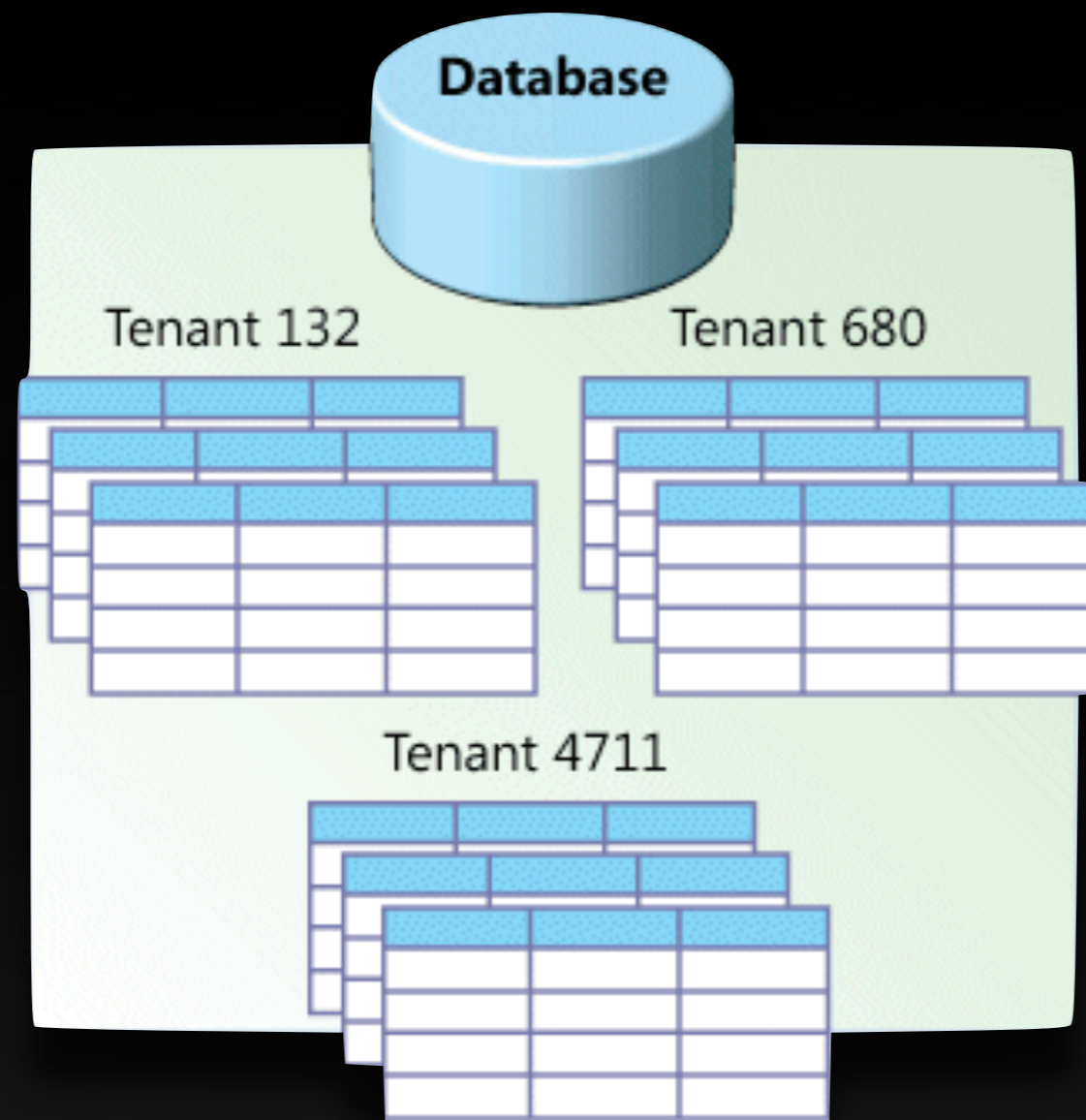




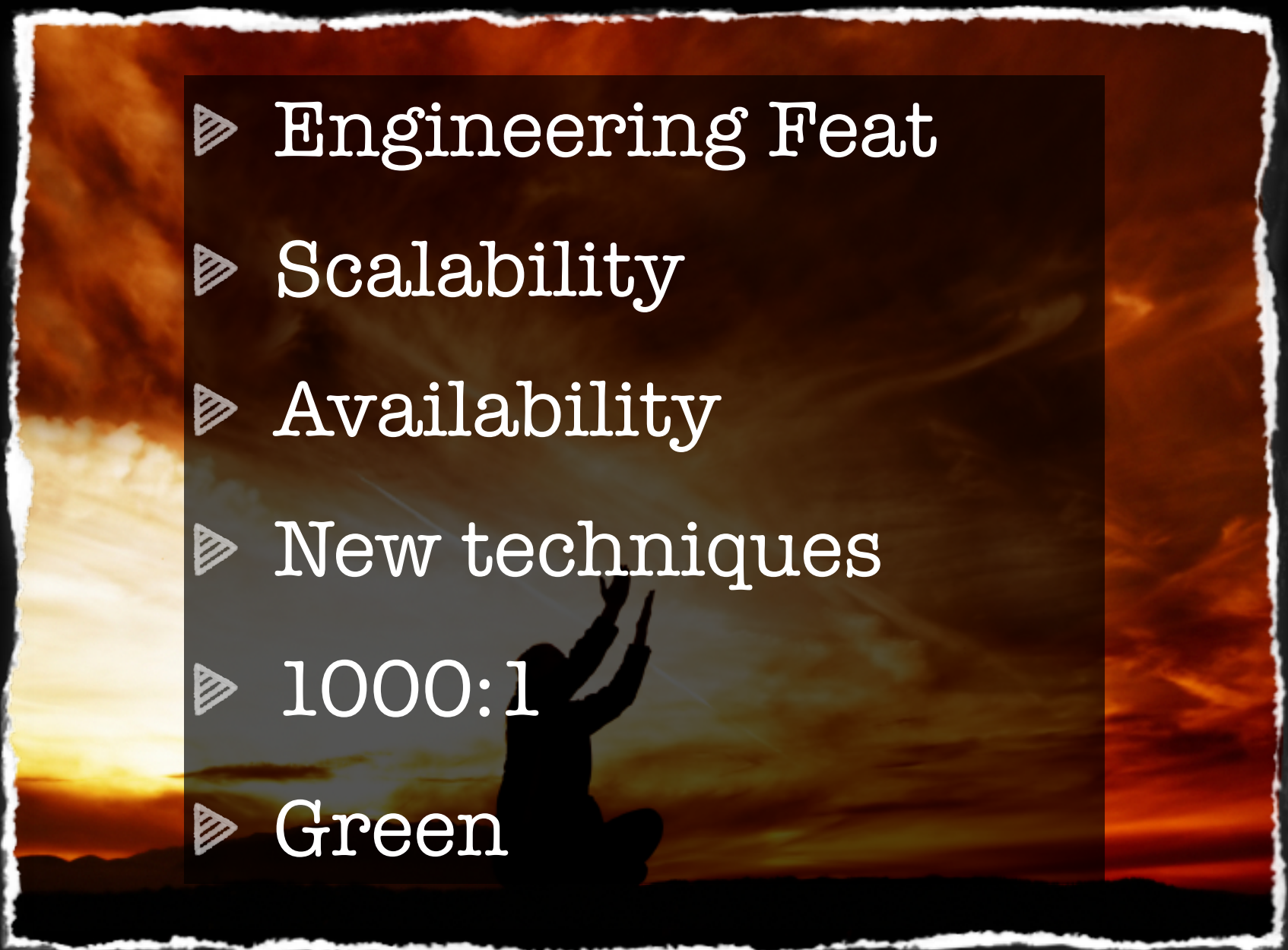
# DB Security Model



DB == Tenant



DB == Tenant 1..n

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- ▶ Engineering Feat
  - ▶ Scalability
  - ▶ Availability
  - ▶ New techniques
  - ▶ 1000:1
  - ▶ Green


“It’s Only Day 1”



Cloud Magic: Just Say No

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- ▶ Evil State
  - ▶ Replication Woes
  - ▶ Patching Devils
  - ▶ Insidious Integrity
  - ▶ Funding

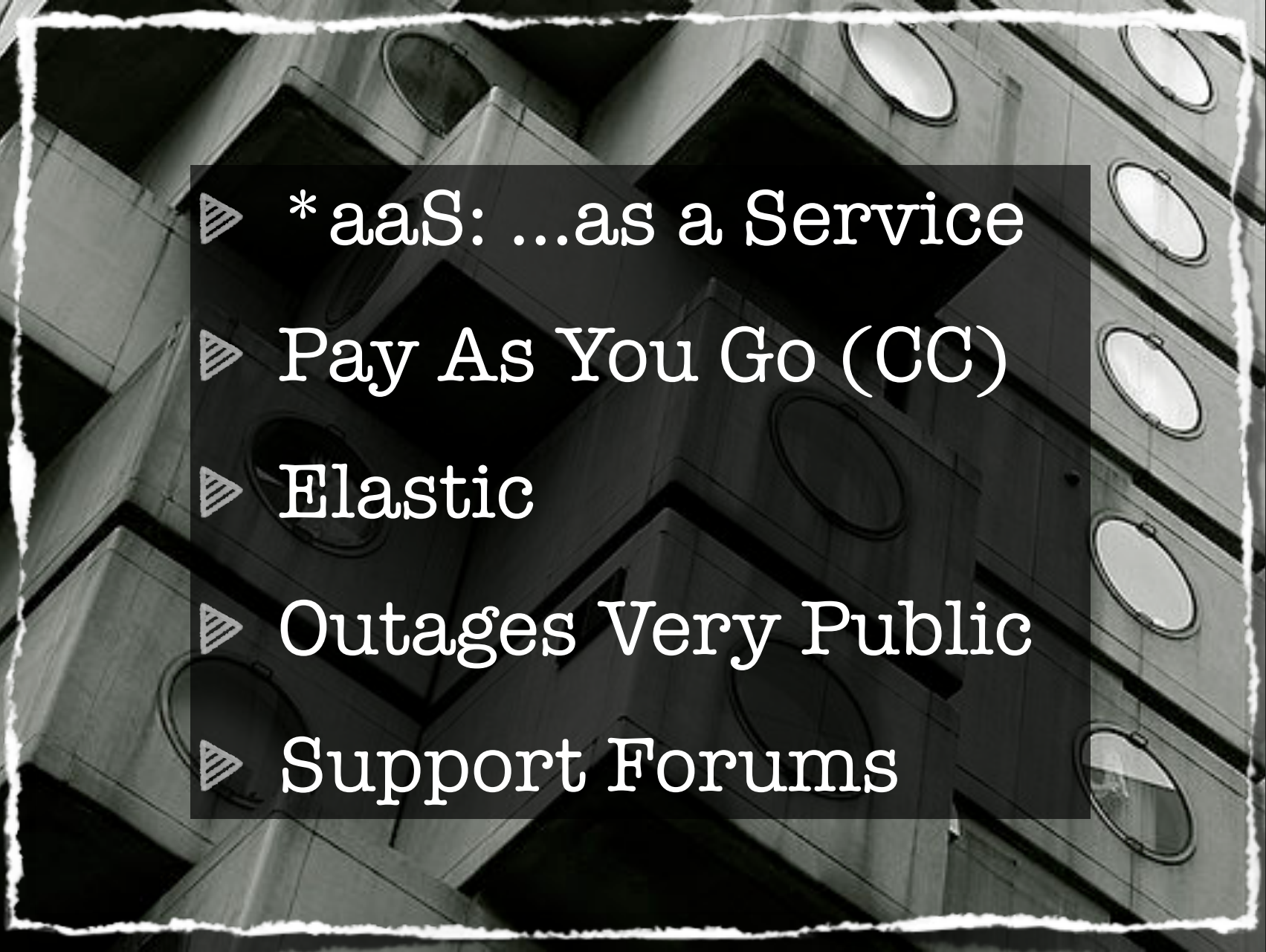
# Cloud FAIL

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- ▶ Risk Management
  - ▶ Your Liabilities
  - ▶ Compensating Controls
  - ▶ Plan for Failure
  - ▶ Trust but Verify
  - ▶ Web Services Security
  - ▶ Browsers Are Brittle

# Security Givens

Ghost Central



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- ▶ \*aaS: ...as a Service
  - ▶ Pay As You Go (CC)
  - ▶ Elastic
  - ▶ Outages Very Public
  - ▶ Support Forums

# Public Clouds

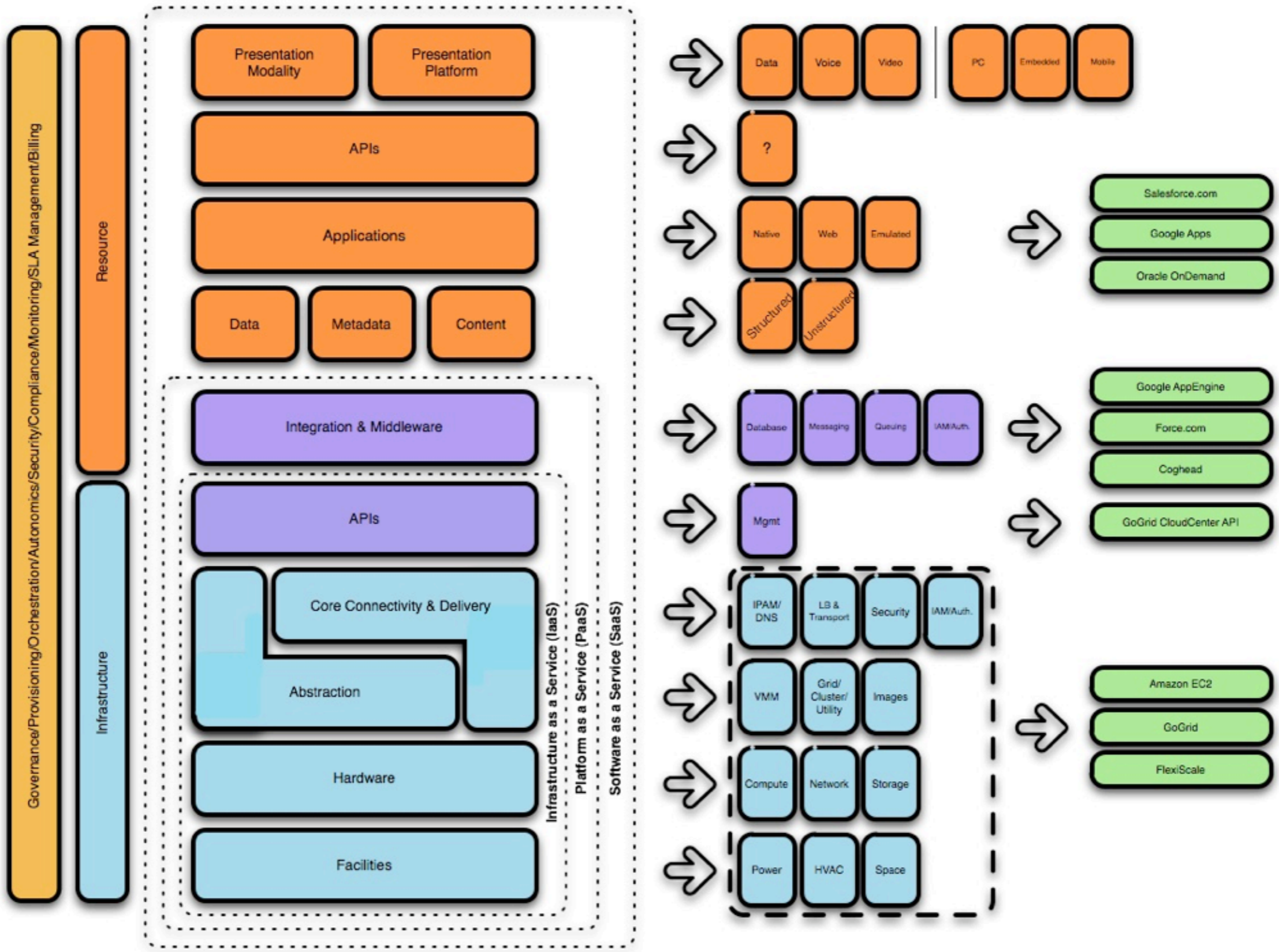
# Classic SPI Model

Software as a Service

Platform as a Service

Infrastructure as a Service

# Cloud Taxonomy & Ontology - Draft v1.4 - Hoff



## Infrastructure Services

### Storage

- Amazon S3
- InfoBright
- Amazon SimpleDB
- Vertica
- Microsoft SSDS
- CTERA
- Rackspace Mosso CloudFS
- Google BigTable
- Nirvanix

### Compute

- Amazon EC2
- Serve Path GoGrid
- Elastra
- Rackspace Mosso Cloud
- Joyent Accelerators
- AppNexus
- Flexiscale
- ElasticHosts
- Hosting.com CloudNine
- Terramark
- GridLayer
- ITRICITY
- LayeredTech

### Services Management

- RightScale
- enStratus
- Scalr
- CohesiveFT
- Kaavo
- CloudStatus
- Ylastic
- Dynect
- CloudFoundry
- NewRelic

## Cloud Software

### Data

- 10Gen MongoDB
- Oracle Coherence
- Gemstone Gemfire
- Apache CouchDb
- Apache HBase
- Hyperbase
- TerraCotta

### Appliances

- PingIdentity
- Symplified
- rPath
- Vordel

### Compute

- Globus Toolkit
- Xeround
- Beowulf
- Sun Grid Engine
- Hadoop
- OpenCloud
- IBM eXtreme Scale
- Gigaspace
- DataSynapse
- Xeround

### File Storage

- EMC Atmos
- ParaScale
- Zmamba
- CTERA

### Cloud Management

- 3Tera App Logic
- OpenNebula
- Cassatt Active Response
- Open.ControlTier
- Catbird
- Enomaly Enomalism
- Altor NETworks
- VMware Ops
- Ops-Scorecard
- CohesiveFT VPN Cubed
- Chef
- Hyperic
- Eucalyptus
- Reductive Lbs Puppet
- CollectD
- OpenQRM
- Appistry

# CLOUD TAXONOMY

## Platform Services

### General Purpose

- Force.com
- Etelos
- LongJump
- AppJet
- Rollbase
- Bungee Labs Connect
- Google App Engine
- Engine Yard
- Caspio
- Qrimp
- MS Azure Services Platform

### Business Intelligence

- Aster DB
- Quantivo
- Cloud9 Analytics
- Blink Logic
- K2 Analytics
- LogiXML
- Oco
- Panorama
- PivotLink
- Sterna
- ColdLight Neuron
- Infobright

### Integration

- Amazon SQS
- HubSpace
- MuleSource Mule OnDemand
- Boomi
- SnapLogic
- OpSource Connect
- Cast Iron
- Microsoft BizTalk Services
- gnip
- SnapLogic SaaS Solution Packs
- Appian Anywhere
- HubSpan
- Informatica On-Demand

### Development & Testing

- Keynote Systems
- Mercury
- SOASTA
- SkyTap
- WhiteHat Sentinel
- LoadStorm
- BrowserMob
- Collabnet
- Dynamsoft

### Authentication

- Ping Identity
- OpenID/OAuth
- Symplified

## Software Services

### Billing

- Aria Systems
- eVapt
- OpSource
- Redi2
- Zuora

### Financials

- Concur
- Xero
- Workday
- Beam4d

### Legal

- DirectLaw
- Advologix
- Fios
- Sertifi

### Sales

- Xactly
- LucidEra
- StreetSmarts
- Success Metrics

### Desktop Productivity

- Zoho
- IBM Lotus Live
- Google Apps
- Desktoptoo
- Parallels
- ClusterSeven

### Human Resources

- Taleo
- Workday
- iCIMS

### Content Management

- Clickability
- SpringCM
- CrownPoint

### Backup & Recovery

- JungleDisk
- Mozy
- Zmanda Cloud Backup
- OpenRSM
- Synclplicity

### CRM

- NetSuite
- Parature
- Responsys
- Rightnow
- Salesforce.com
- LiveOps
- MSDynamics
- Oracle On Demand

### Document Management


- NetDocuments
- Questys
- DocLanding
- Aconex
- Xythos
- Knowledge TreeLive
- SpringCM

# Examples

Software as a Service

Platform as a Service

Infrastructure as a Service

- 
- ▶ SaaS
  - ▶ CRM
  - ▶ force.com == PaaS
  - ▶ AppExchange
  - ▶ Code Reviews
  - ▶ Service Cloud

# Salesforce

# Examples

Software as a Service

Platform as a Service

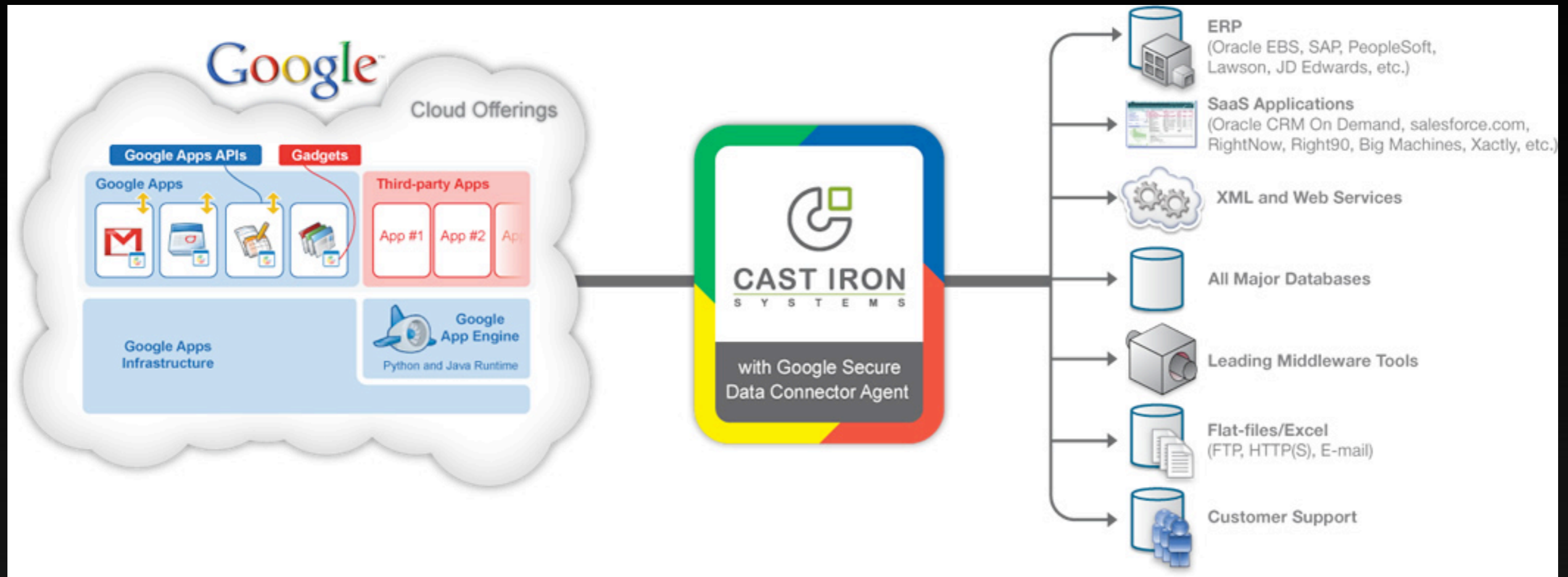
Infrastructure as a Service

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- ▶ PaaS
  - ▶ Python VM
  - ▶ Justin Ferguson
  - ▶ Java VM
  - ▶ Data Import/Export
  - ▶ SDC

# Google App Engine

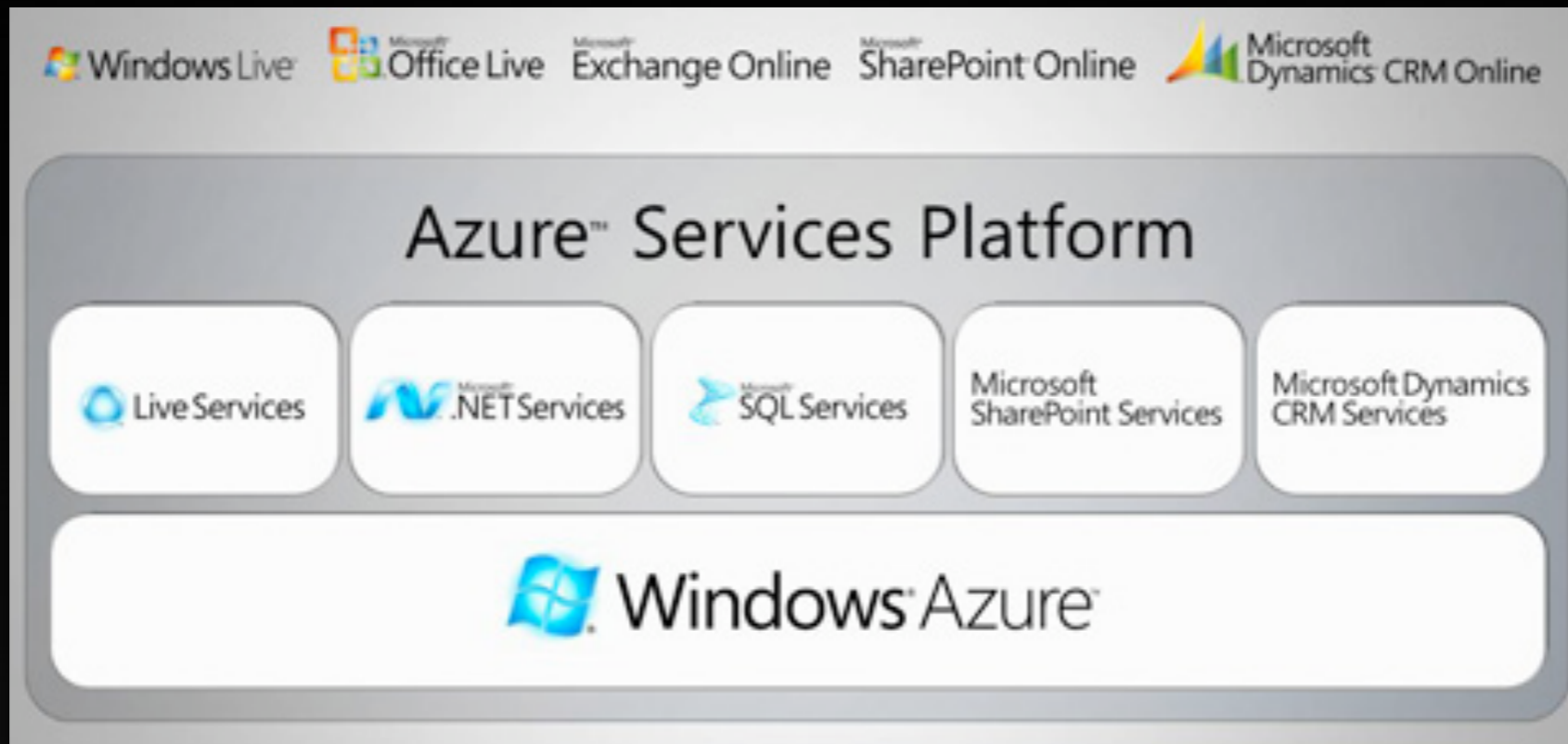


# Google Secure Data Connector





# Microsoft Azure



Software + Services

# Examples

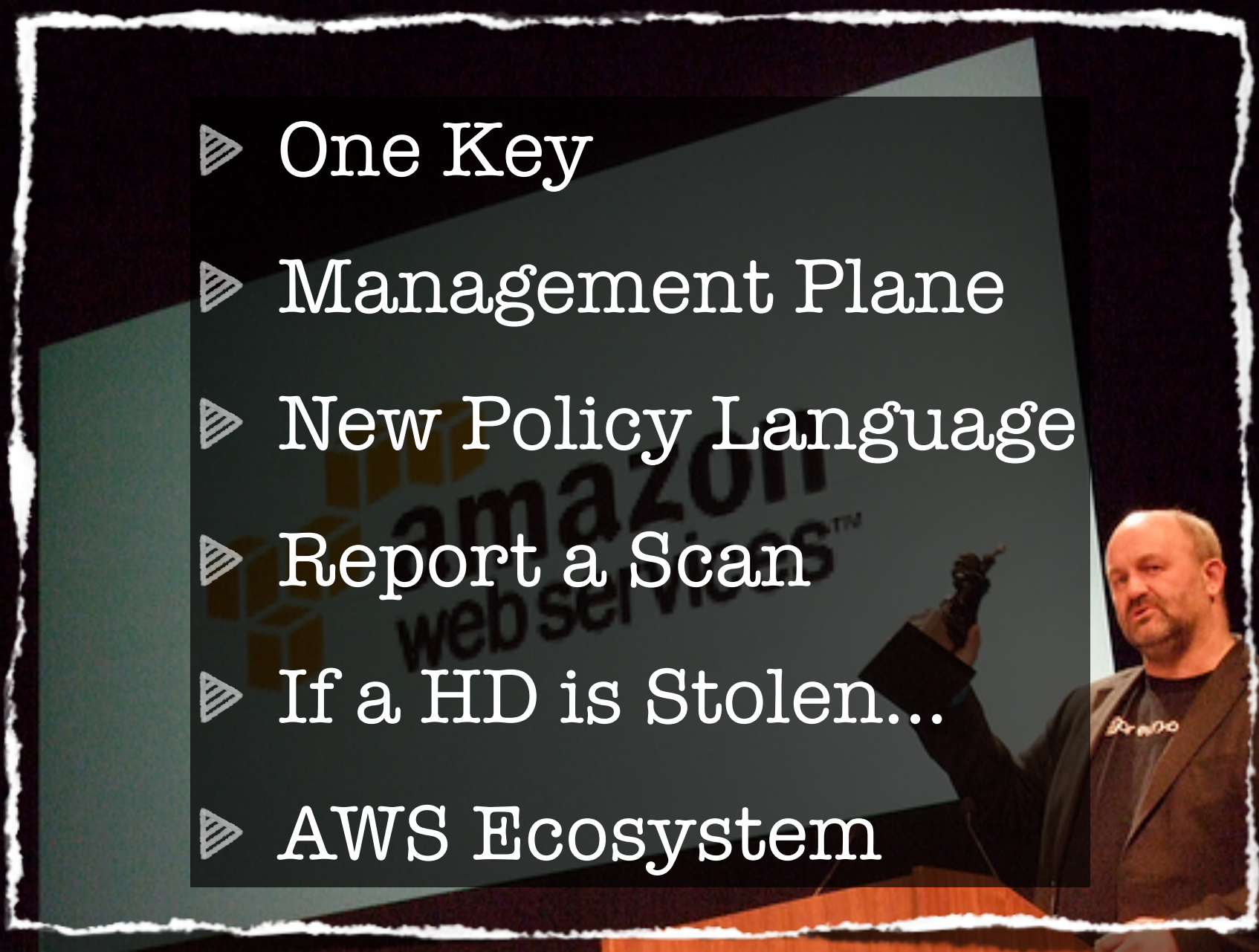
Software as a Service

Platform as a Service

Infrastructure as a Service

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- A man in a dark suit and a black t-shirt with a logo is speaking at a wooden podium. Behind him is a large screen displaying the Amazon Web Services logo. The entire scene is framed with a white, torn-paper-like border.
- ▶ Public IaaS Pioneer
  - ▶ EC2, S3, SQS etc
  - ▶ “You secure”
  - ▶ Security Whitepaper
  - ▶ Evangelism
  - ▶ Data Cleansing

# Amazon Web Services

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- A man in a dark suit is pointing at a screen. The screen displays a list of features for Amazon Web Services. The background of the screen shows the Amazon logo and the text "amazon web services™".
- ▶ One Key
  - ▶ Management Plane
  - ▶ New Policy Language
  - ▶ Report a Scan
  - ▶ If a HD is Stolen...
  - ▶ AWS Ecosystem

# Amazon Web Services

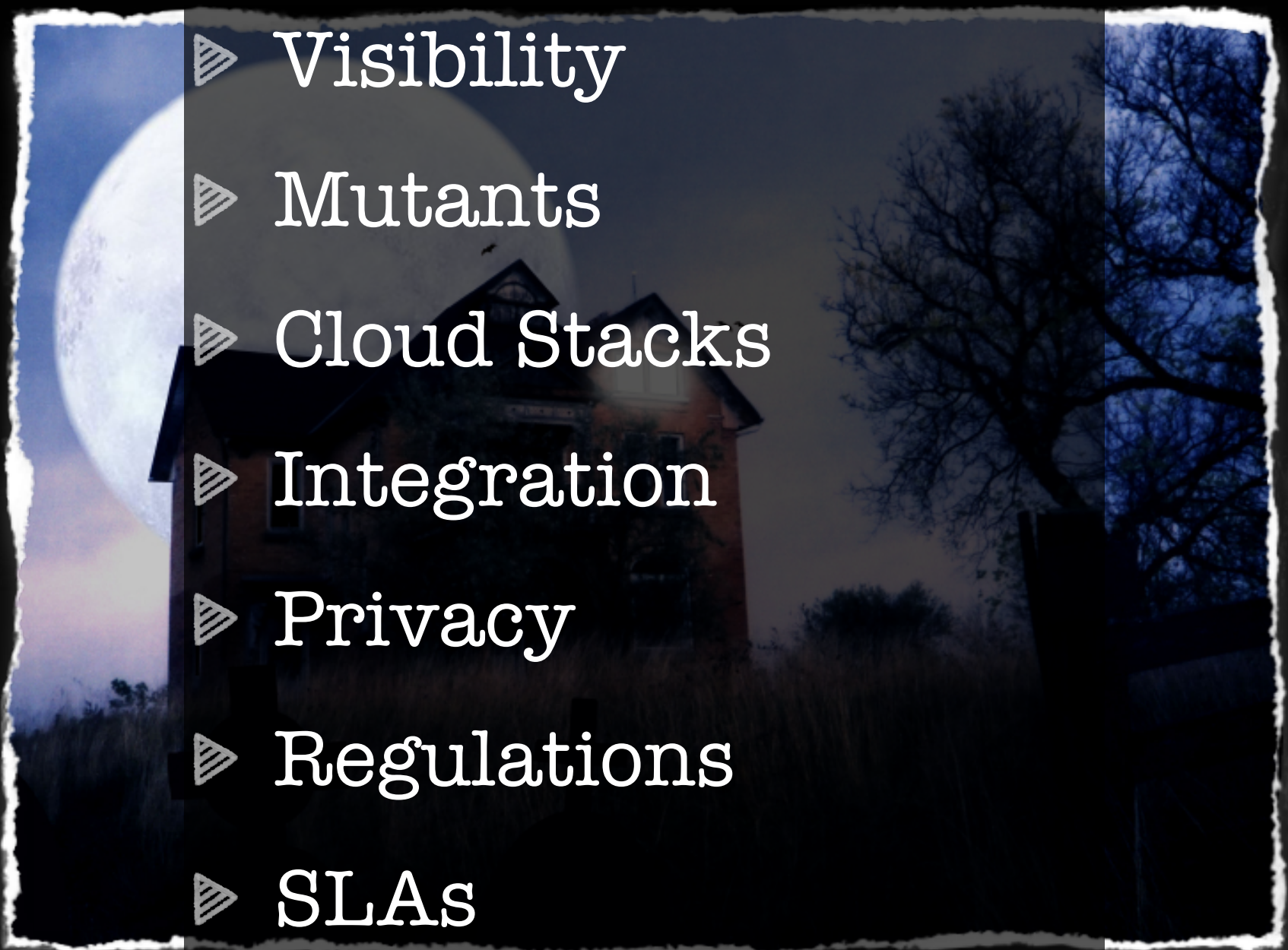
- ▶ Dynamo Paper
- ▶ Consistency
- ▶ Availability
- ▶ Integrity
- ▶ Out of order
- ▶ No Time Promises

Eventually Consistent

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- ▶ AWS “Dev friendly”
  - ▶ Dev Testimonials
  - ▶ AMZN PMTS
  - ▶ 866-216-1072
  - ▶ AWS API endpoints
  - ▶ POST/PUT/DELETE


Developers with Credit Cards



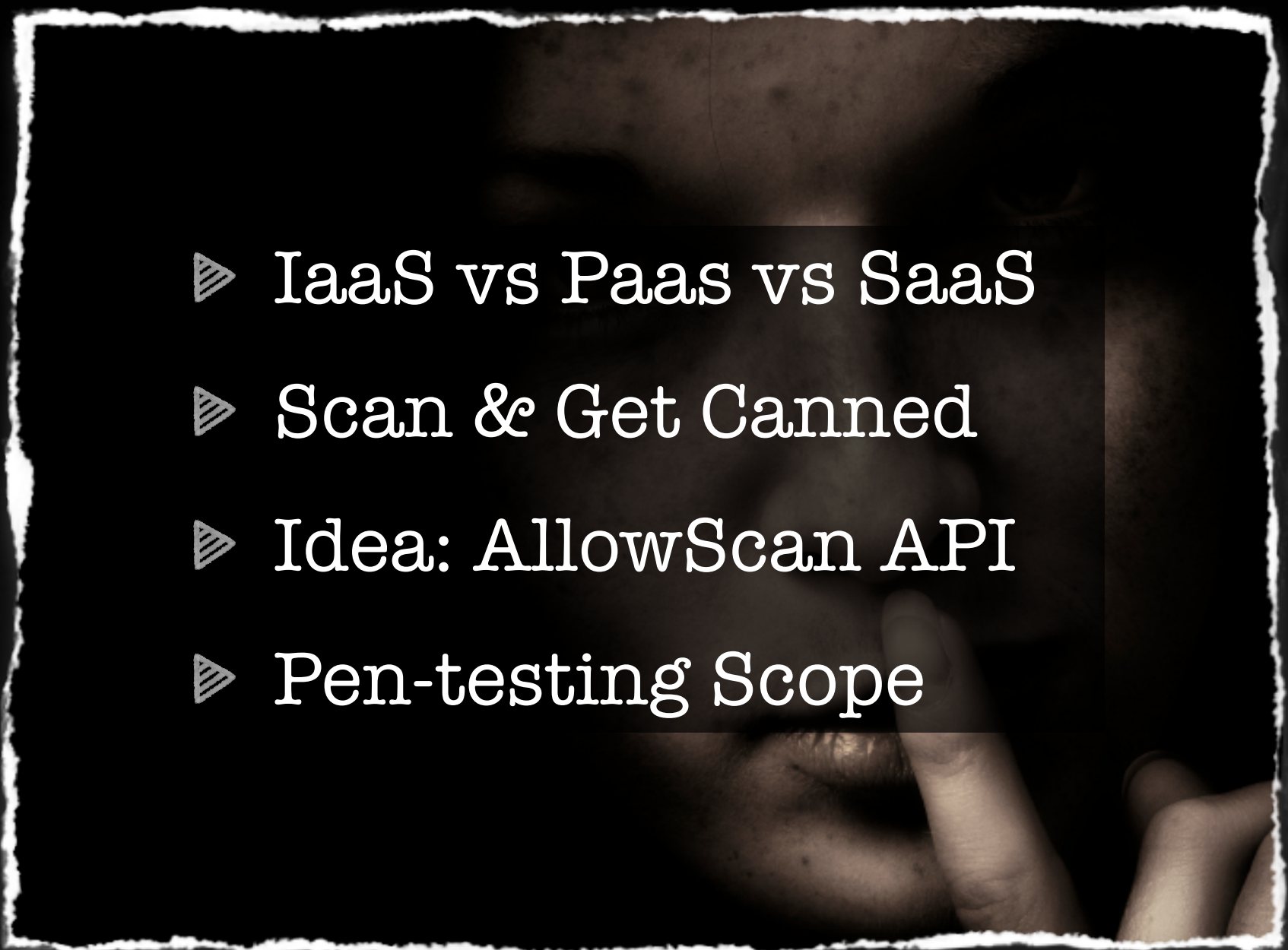
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- ▶ Visibility
  - ▶ Mutants
  - ▶ Cloud Stacks
  - ▶ Integration
  - ▶ Privacy
  - ▶ Regulations
  - ▶ SLAs

# Haunted House of the Cloud

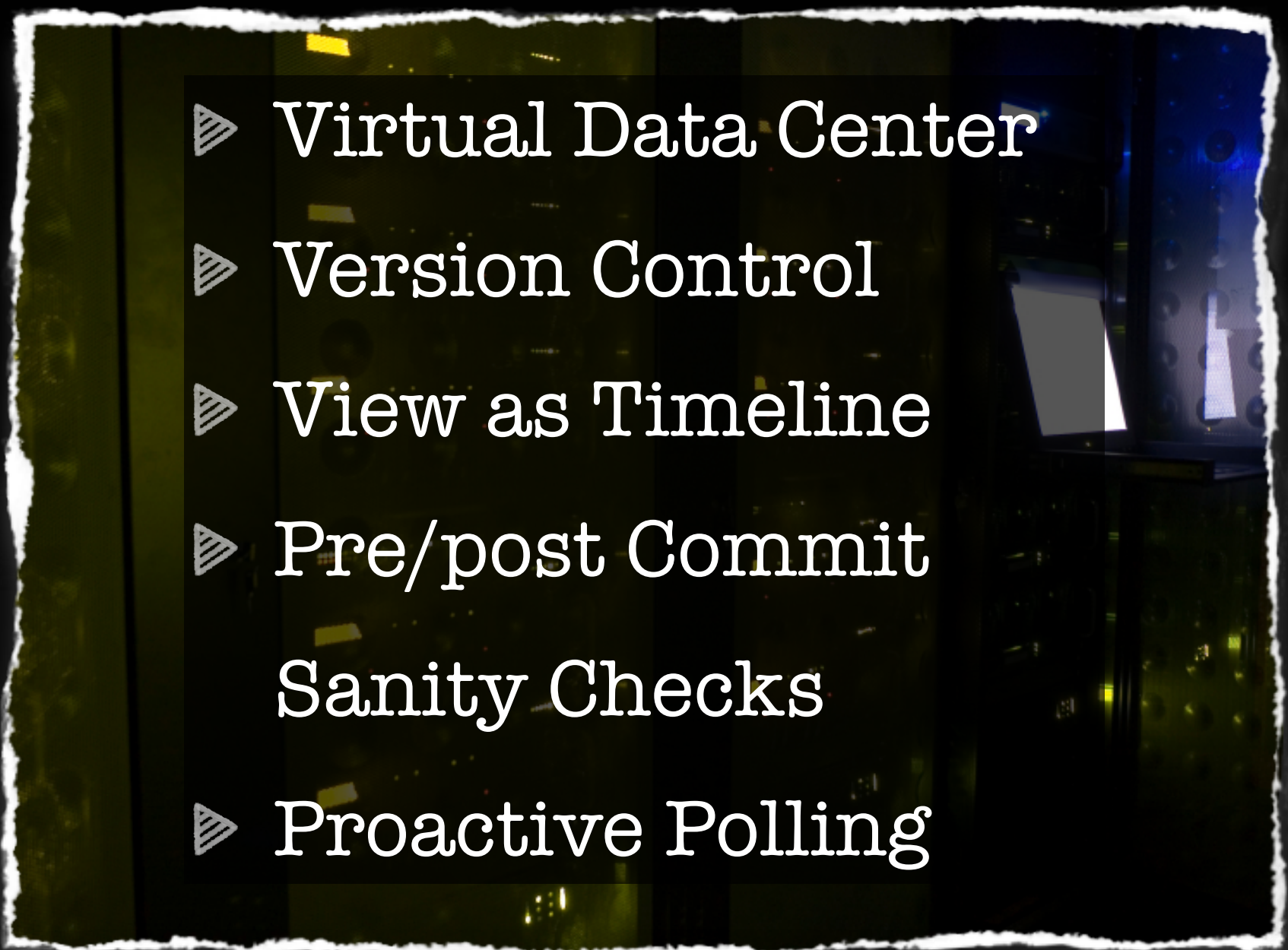
# The Visibility Ghost Ship

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- ▶ When Controls Fail
  - ▶ Lingua Franca: API
  - ▶ Manage SSL
  - ▶ EC2 vs NSM
  - ▶ Immature logging
  - ▶ DLP

# The Visibility Ghostship

- 
- ▶ IaaS vs PaaS vs SaaS
  - ▶ Scan & Get Canned
  - ▶ Idea: AllowScan API
  - ▶ Pen-testing Scope

# Assurance

- 
- ▶ Virtual Data Center
  - ▶ Version Control
  - ▶ View as Timeline
  - ▶ Pre/post Commit  
Sanity Checks
  - ▶ Proactive Polling

# Data Center Tripwire

## Examining the Virtual Data Center

As a first step, we fetch a representation of the VDC, to ascertain what resources are available and can be created.

To server:

```
GET /
Host: xrgy.cloud.sun.com
Authorization: Basic xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Accept: application/vnd.com.sun.cloud.compute.Vdc+json
X-Compute-Client-Specification-Version: 0.1
```

From server:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/vnd.com.sun.cloud.compute.Vdc+json
Content-Length: nnn

{
  "name" : "XRGY Virtual Data Center",
  "uri" : "http://xrgy.cloud.sun.com",
  "addresses" : [
    {
      "name": "144.34.100.199",
      "uri": "/addresses/144.34.100.199",
      "ip_address": "144.34.100.199"
    }
  ],
  "vnets" : [
    {
      "name": "vnet1",
      "uri": "/vnets/10.31.145.0",
      "netmask": "255.255.255.0",
      "network": "10.31.145.0"
    }
  ],
}
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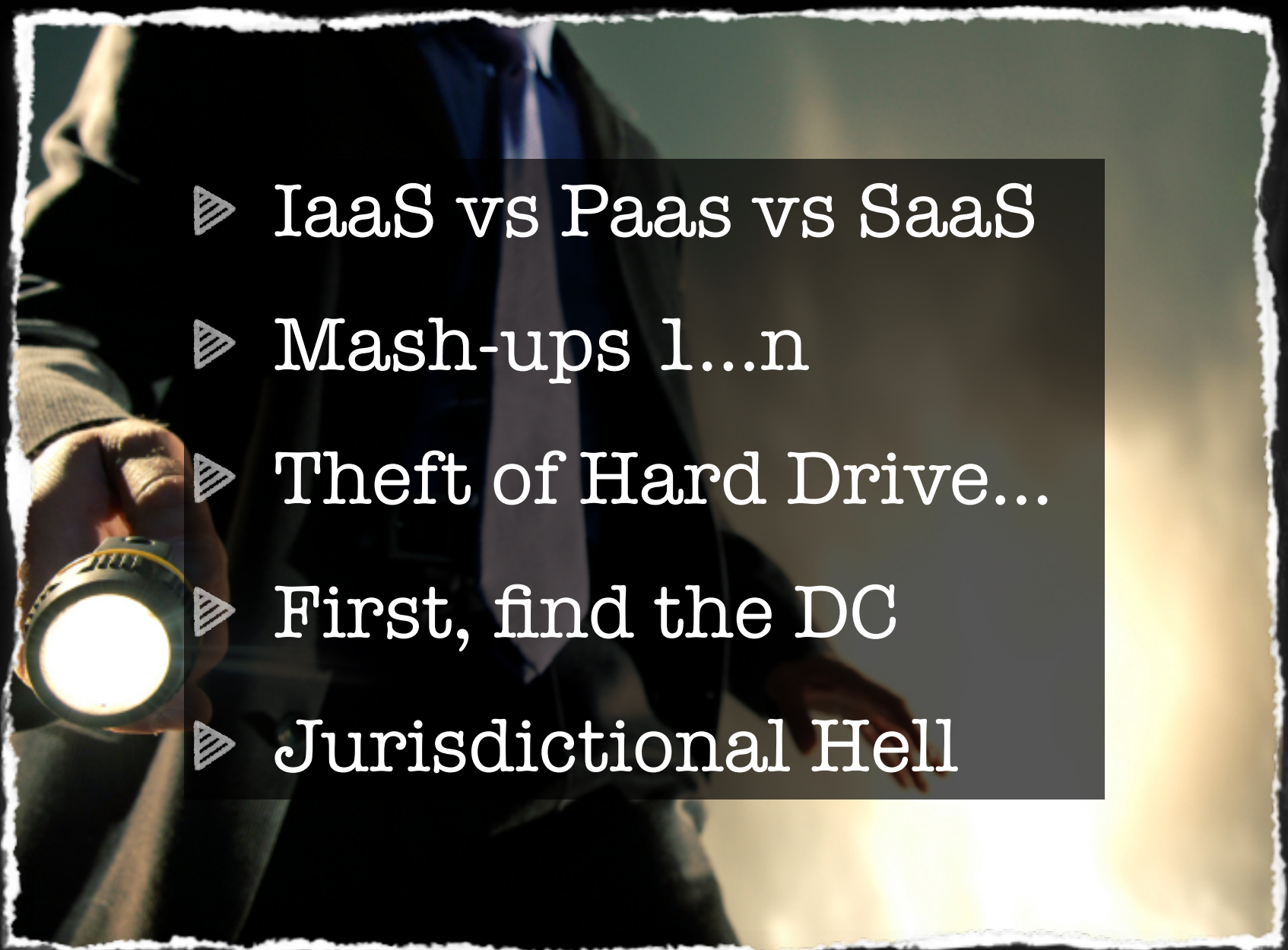
- ▶ Call Premium Support
- ▶ Cloud Clamour
- ▶ No Business Context

# Incident Response

- ▶ IaaS vs PaaS vs SaaS
- ▶ Ghosting a Ghost
- ▶ Logs & Integration
- ▶ Offline Forensic VMs
- ▶ AWS EBS Cloning
- ▶ Forensics as a Service
- ▶ Cloud IR Teams?

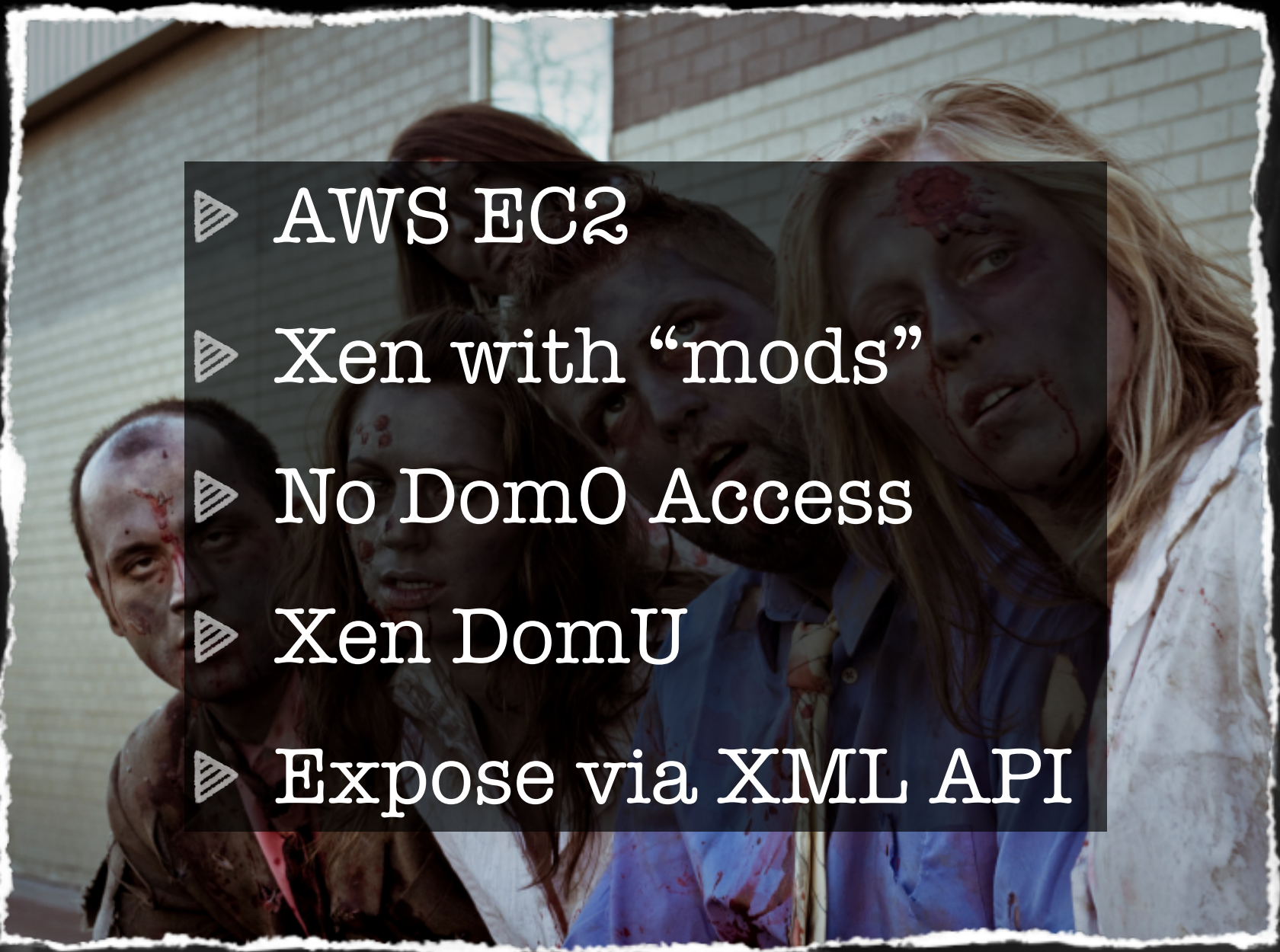
# Forensics




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- ▶ IaaS vs PaaS vs SaaS
  - ▶ Mash-ups 1...n
  - ▶ Theft of Hard Drive...
  - ▶ First, find the DC
  - ▶ Jurisdictional Hell

# Investigations

# The March of the Mutated Hypervisor


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- ▶ AWS EC2
  - ▶ Xen with “mods”
  - ▶ No Dom0 Access
  - ▶ Xen DomU
  - ▶ Expose via XML API

The March of the Mutated Hypervisor

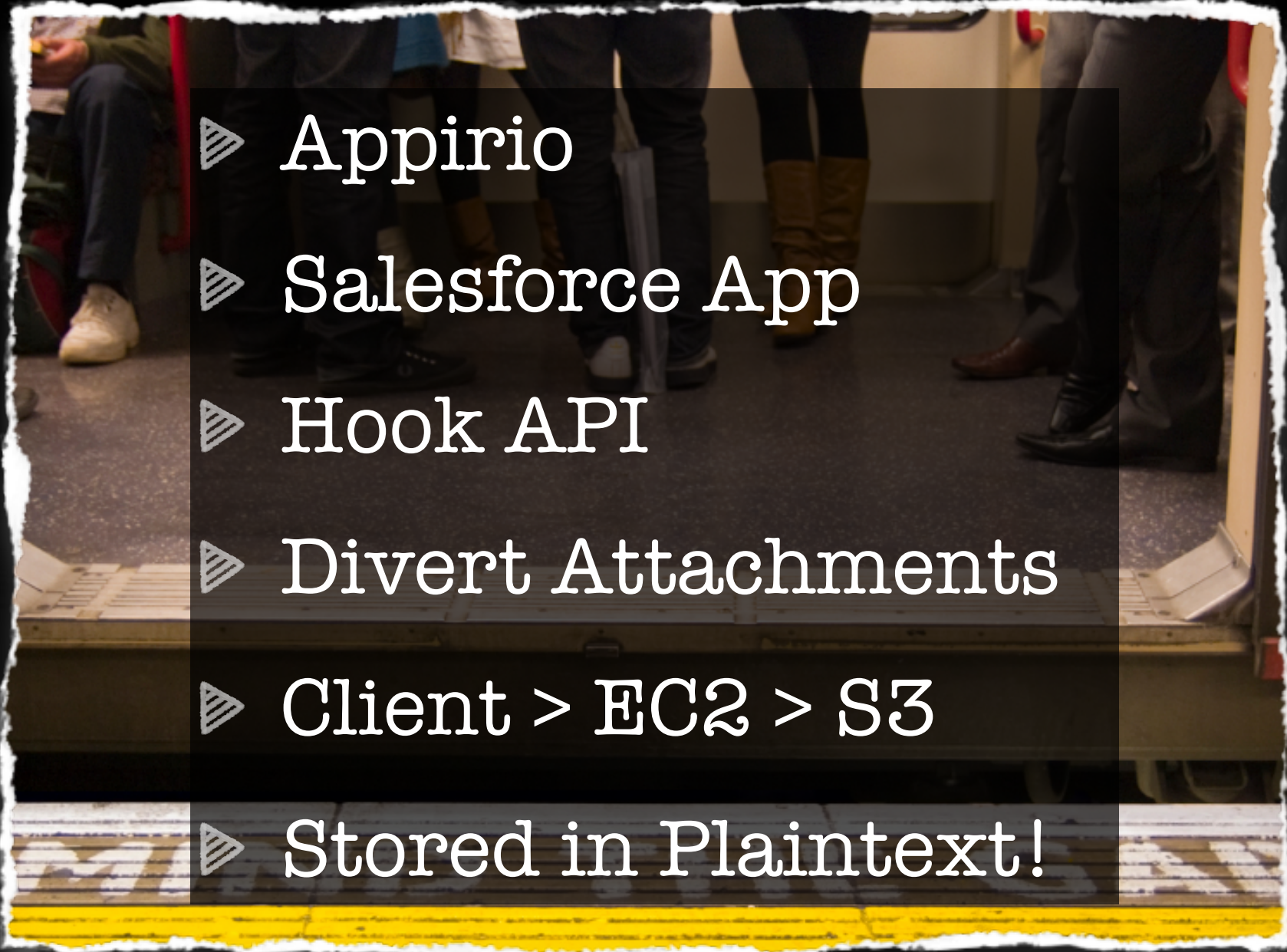
- 
- ▶ BIOS Functionality++
  - ▶ Research++
  - ▶ Cache Snooping
  - ▶ Hypervisor Attack
  - ▶ Persistent Rootkits

## The Vampire BIOS

# Ghost in the Stacks

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- ▶ Dependent Services
  - ▶ Consume & Provide
  - ▶ Trust by Inheritance
  - ▶ Mind the Gap
  - ▶ Pass the Buck

# Cloud Stacks/Layers

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- ▶ Appirio
  - ▶ Salesforce App
  - ▶ Hook API
  - ▶ Divert Attachments
  - ▶ Client > EC2 > S3
  - ▶ Stored in Plaintext!

# Example



PRICING	Standard	Premium	Ultra
Storage Limit	5GB	30GB	250GB
Migrate Existing Docs	✓	✓	✓
High Security	✓	✓	✓
Pricing Per Month	\$200	\$900	\$4,000
Pricing - Annual	\$1,200	\$5,400	\$30,000

#### How do you make it secure?

Apprio Cloud Storage fully encrypts each piece of data as it passes from your computer to the Amazon S3 store. Once there it is protected by the same strong security mechanisms that protect thousands of customers using Amazon's services (see [Amazon developer center](#) for more information).


In addition, when sending and receiving data, Apprio uses the Salesforce.com API to confirm that the user belongs to the org they claim to, and that the user has access to the corresponding Salesforce.com record. In addition, because we use the Salesforce.com session object, usage is restricted to users currently logged into Salesforce.com and accessing Salesforce.com records. At no time does Apprio have access to your Salesforce org or data directly.

Please review Apprio's [security and privacy policy](#) for more information.

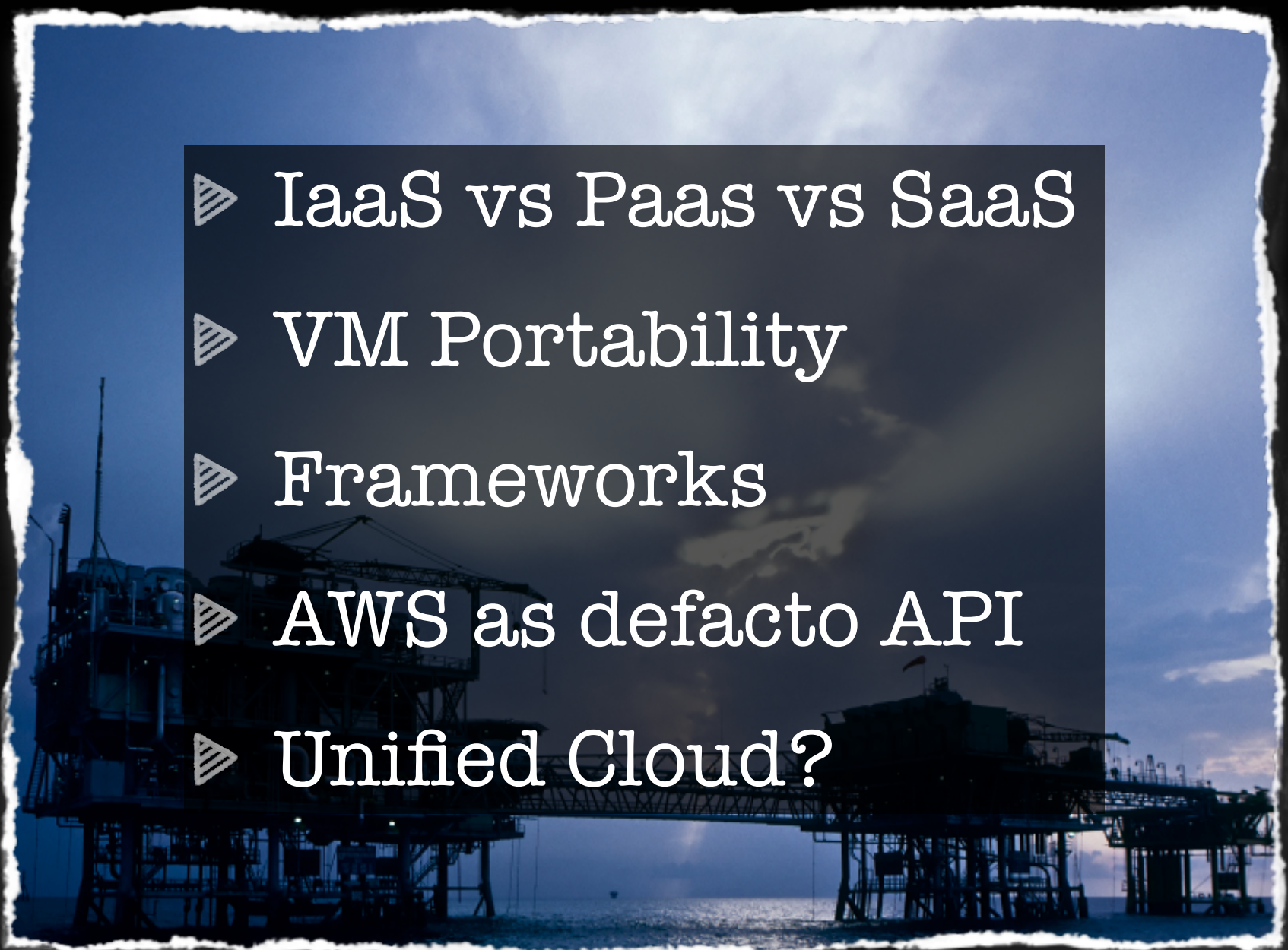
# Net vs Storage Crypto



Enterprise Integration Road to Hell

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- ▶ Identity is > People
  - ▶ Federated Auth
  - ▶ Visibility
  - ▶ DLP
  - ▶ Metrics
  - ▶ Billing

# Enterprise Integration

- 
- ▶ IaaS vs PaaS vs SaaS
  - ▶ VM Portability
  - ▶ Frameworks
  - ▶ AWS as defacto API
  - ▶ Unified Cloud?

# Interoperability



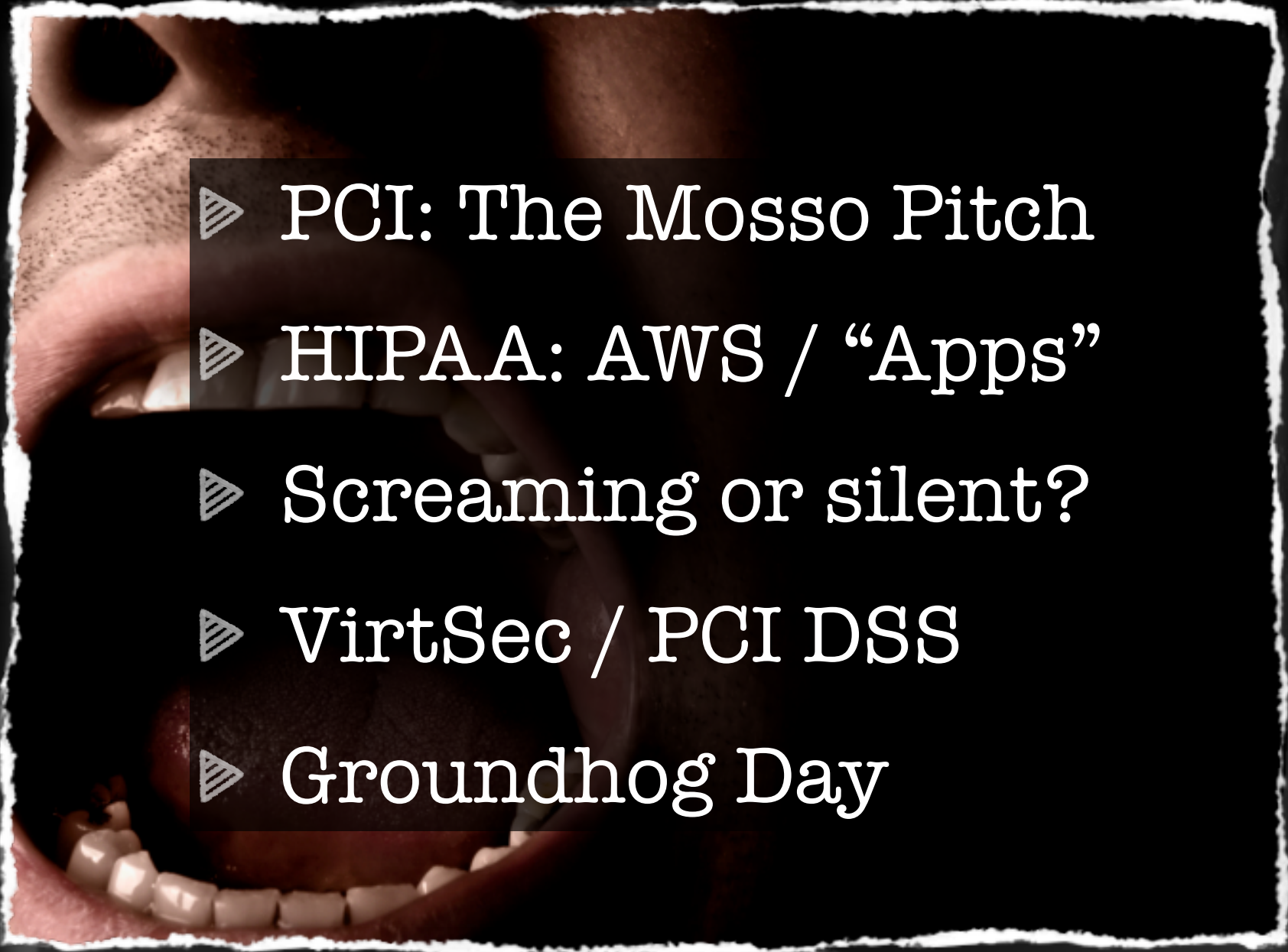
Cloud Lock-in

# The Green Latern of Privacy

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- ▶ EPIC Compliant
  - ▶ Misstating Security
  - ▶ Snafus & Vulns
  - ▶ Lack of Crypto
  - ▶ Bar of chocolate?
  - ▶ \$SOCIALNETWORKS

# The Green Lantern of Privacy

# The Screaming Regulator

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- ▶ PCI: The Mosso Pitch
  - ▶ HIPAA: AWS / “Apps”
  - ▶ Screaming or silent?
  - ▶ VirtSec / PCI DSS
  - ▶ Groundhog Day

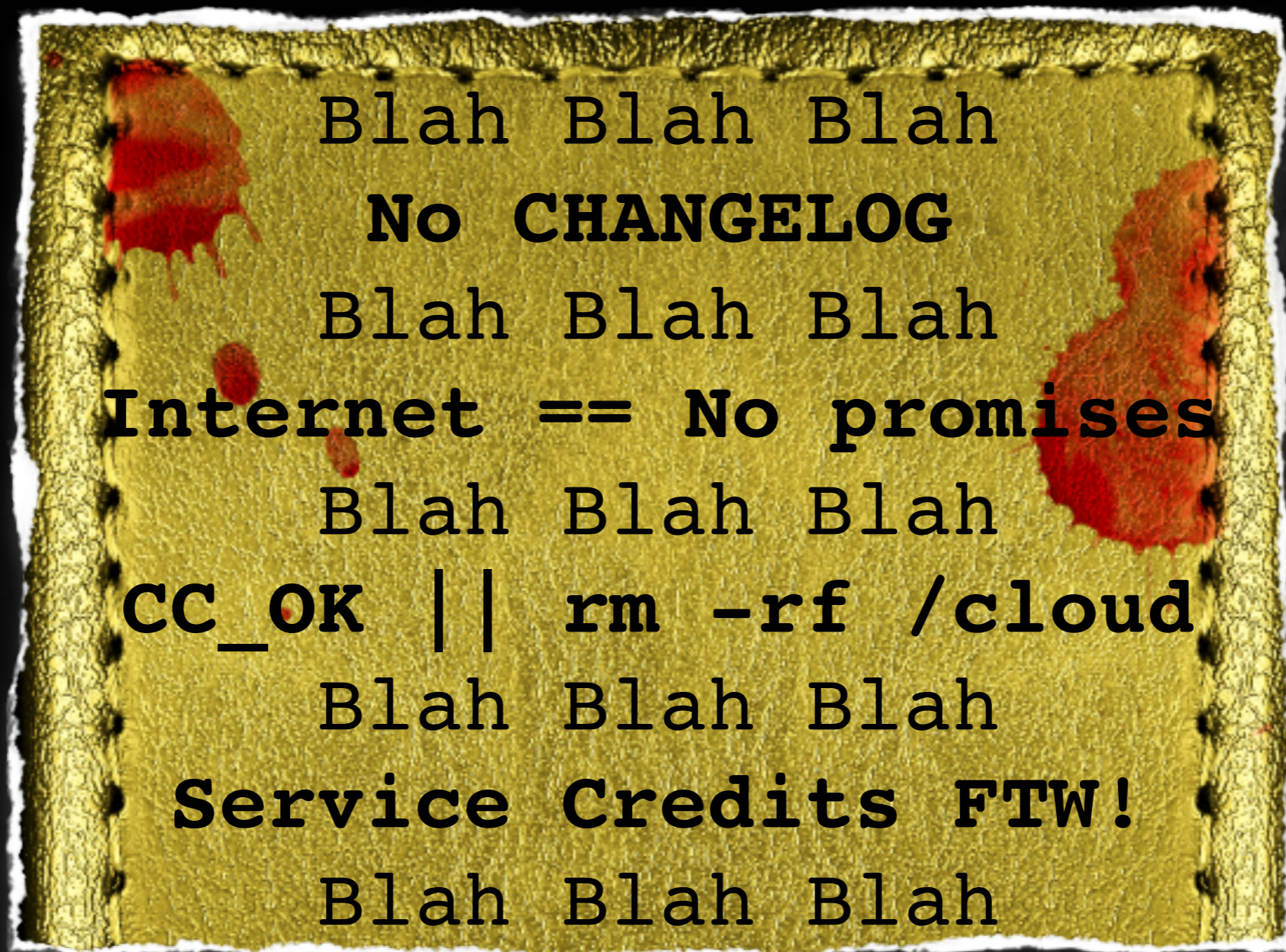
# The Screaming Regulator



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- ▶ Jurisdiction
  - ▶ IP rights
  - ▶ Content ownership
  - ▶ Contract Law Wins
  - ▶ Licensing
  - ▶ Raid 8

# Legal Concerns

# The Curse of the Bloodstained SLA



Blood Stained SLA

# AWS Security Pledge

7.2 We strive to keep Your Content secure, but **cannot guarantee that we will be successful at doing so, given the nature of the Internet.**

Accordingly, without limitation to Section 4.3 above and Section 11.5 below, you acknowledge that **you bear sole responsibility for adequate security, protection and backup of Your Content and Applications.**

# AWS Security Advice

7.2. ...We **strongly encourage** you, where available and appropriate, to (a) **use encryption technology to protect Your Content from unauthorized access**, (b) **routinely archive** Your Content, and (c) keep your Applications or any software that you use or run with our Services current with the latest security patches or updates.

# Not even Service Credits? ;-)

7.2. ...We will have **no liability** to you for any **unauthorized access or use, corruption, deletion, destruction or loss** of any of Your Content or Applications.

# Cloud Nirvana: The Rise of the Enterprise Private Cloud

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- ▶ Maximum Control
  - ▶ Interoperability
  - ▶ Cloudbursting
  - ▶ Extend Off-site
  - ▶ VMware / CISCO
  - ▶ Eucalyptus (OSS)

# Private Clouds



	Managed By <sup>1</sup>	Infrastructure Owned By <sup>2</sup>	Infrastructure Located <sup>3</sup>	Accessible and Consumed By <sup>4</sup>
<b>Public</b>	Third Party Provider	Third Party Provider	Off-Premise	Untrusted
<b>Managed</b>	Third Party Provider	Third Party Provider	On-Premise	Trusted & Untrusted
<b>Private</b>				Trusted
<b>Hybrid</b>	<u>Both</u> Organization & Third Party Provider	<u>Both</u> Organization & Third Party Provider	Both On-Premise & Off-Premise	Trusted & Untrusted

<sup>1</sup> Management includes: operations, security, compliance, etc...

<sup>2</sup> Infrastructure implies physical infrastructure such as facilities, compute, network & storage equipment


<sup>3</sup> Infrastructure Location is both physical and relative to an Organization's management umbrella

<sup>4</sup> Trusted consumers of service are those who are considered part of an organization's legal/contractual umbrella including employees, contractors, & business partners. Untrusted consumers are those that may be authorized to consume some/all services but are not logical extensions of the organization.

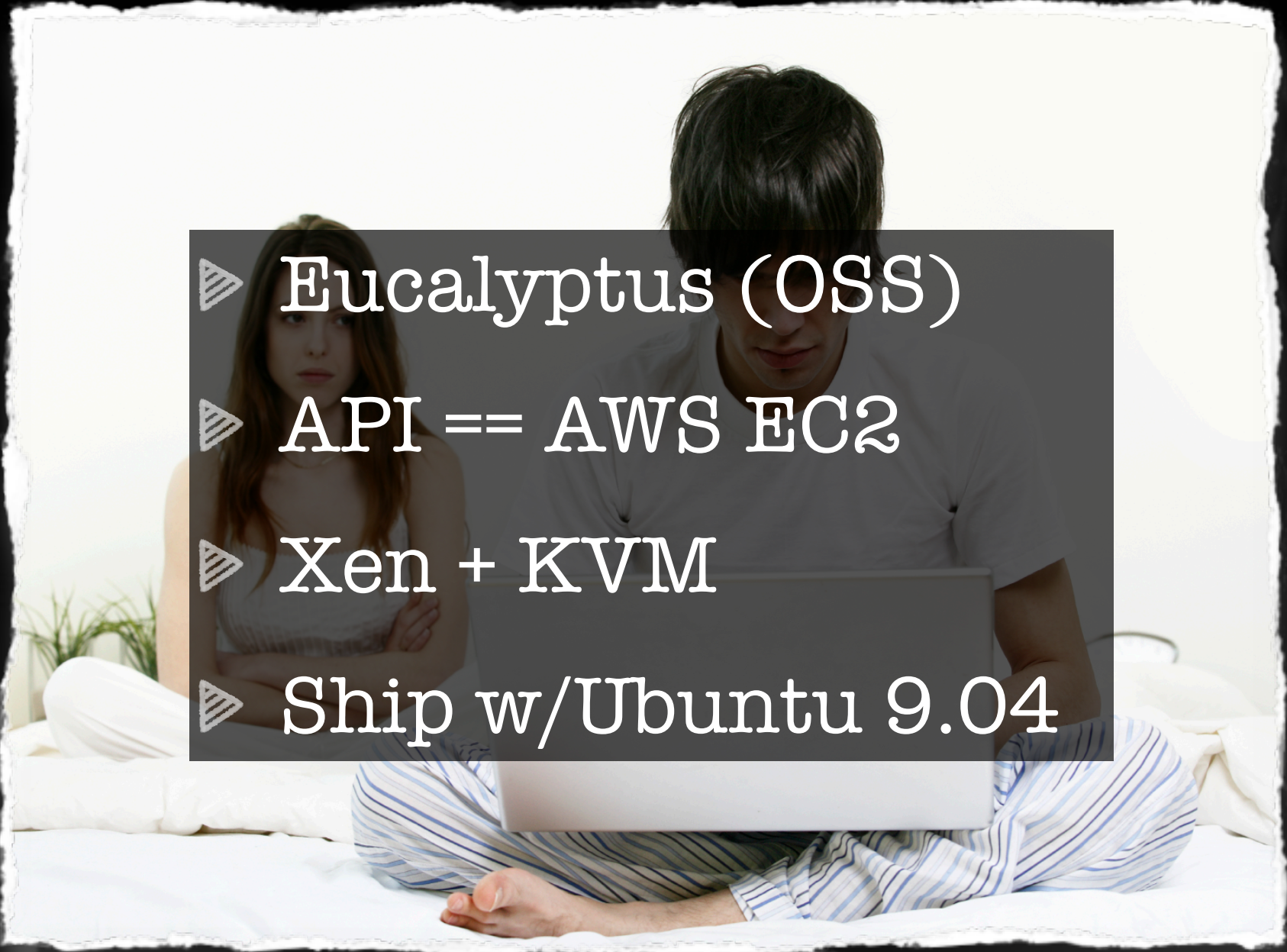
Source: Chris Hoff

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- ▶ Infrastructure 1.0
  - ▶ Firewall Mentality
  - ▶ Controls vs Data
  - ▶ Investments vs Risk
  - ▶ DL Time Bombs
  - ▶ Visibility & IR

# Enterprise Skeletons

- 
- ▶ 346 Legacy Apps
  - ▶ Audit Reports
  - ▶ 3rd Party Monsters
  - ▶ Aging Policies
  - ▶ Controls <> Assets
  - ▶ Inner Control Freak
  - ▶ Good Old Days

Call from the Grave

- 
- ▶ Eucalyptus (OSS)
  - ▶ API == AWS EC2
  - ▶ Xen + KVM
  - ▶ Ship w/Ubuntu 9.04

Open Source Private Cloud

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- ▶ Centralised Controls
  - ▶ Password Cracking
  - ▶ Forensic Readiness
  - ▶ Never Ending Logs
  - ▶ Security Builds
  - ▶ Security Testing

Embrace the Cloud



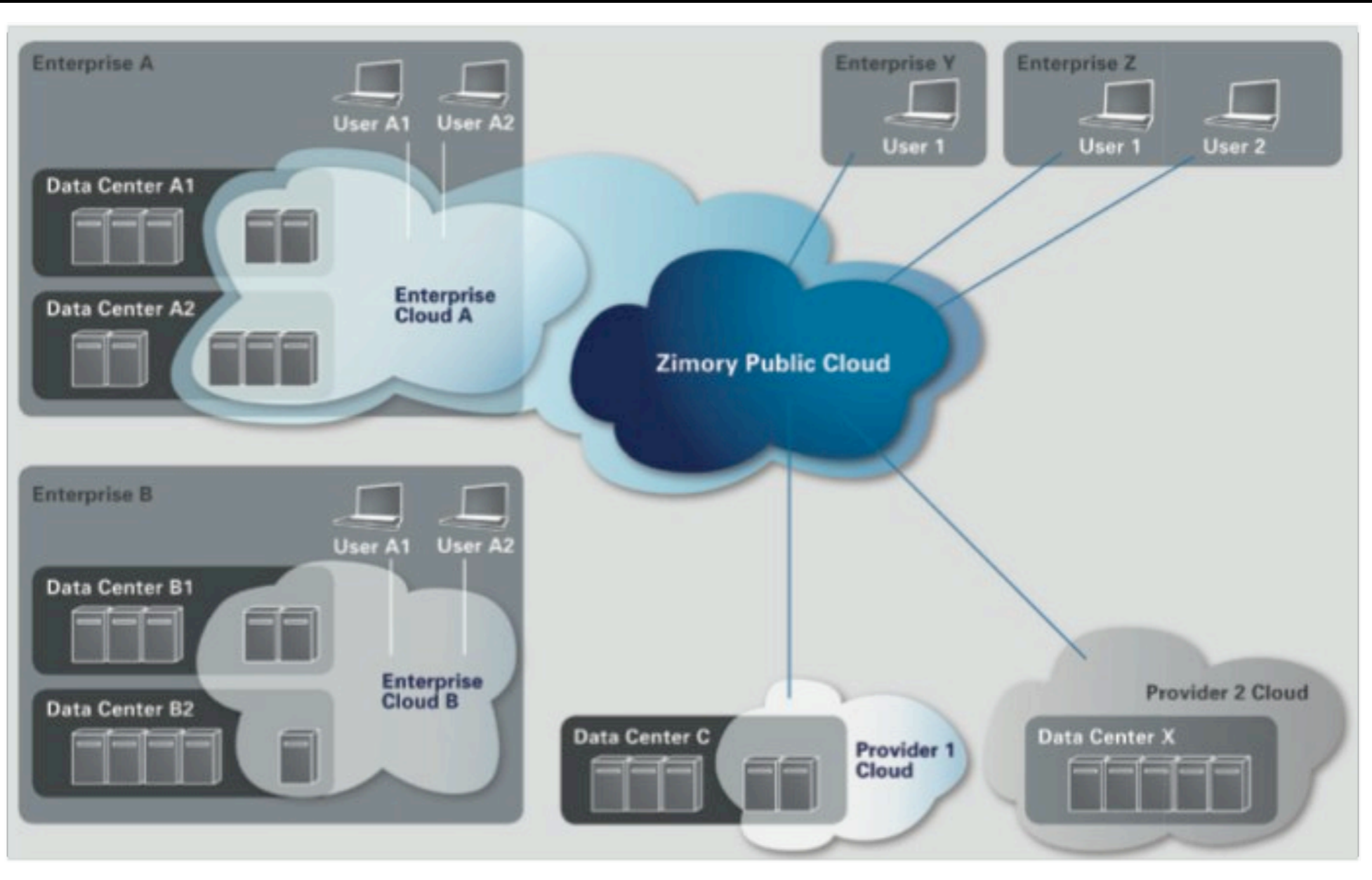
▶ Cloud Aggregator

▶ "Internet Trading Platform"

▶ Public/Private

▶ Handle Billing

# Cloud Brokers



Example: Zimory

# Pick Your Poison

- Gold: A gold SLA cloud delivers the strongest quality standards. This includes availability and security standards. The providers offering these resources are **compliant with all relevant security certifications**.
- Silver: A silver SLA offers **high availability and security standards**. The providers are known brands.
- Bronze: A bronze SLA delivers the **usual quality** and availability standards of hosting providers. It does not contain certifications and additional security offerings.



# Cloud Spirits

## **General**

John Willis: IT ESM and Cloud (Droplets)

Kevin L. Jackson: Cloud Musing (Federal)

James Urquhart (CISCO): Wisdom of Clouds

Werner Vogels (AWS CTO): All Things Distributed

## **Google Groups**

Cloud Computing

## **Security**

Christofer Hoff: [rationalsurvivability.com](http://rationalsurvivability.com)

Craig Balding (aka Me): **[cloudsecurity.org](http://cloudsecurity.org)**

- 
- ▶ Cloud Security Alliance
  - ▶ ENISA Cloud Security Working Group

# Cloud Security Initiatives




# Cloud Security Alliance

- Non-profit organization
- Promote practices to provide security assurance
- Comprised of many subject matter experts from a wide variety disciplines
- Official launch next week @ RSA
- Join? LinkedIn Group “Cloud Security Alliance” open to all



# ENISA Cloud Computing Risk Assessment

- European Policymakers responsible for funding Cloud risk mitigation research, policy, economic incentives, legislative measures, awareness-raising initiatives
- Business leaders to evaluate Cloud risks of and possible mitigation strategies.
- Individuals/citizens to evaluate cost/benefit of consumer Cloud services.

- 
- ▶ Hosting => Cloud
  - ▶ Cloud Platform Wars
  - ▶ Cloud Pwnage
  - ▶ Trust Indicators
  - ▶ Vertical Clouds
  - ▶ Data Centric Security?
  - ▶ Social Engineering++

# Futures




Ghost Alley / Amsterdam



Thanks

# Q&A

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# CSA: Domains

- Information lifecycle management
- Governance and Enterprise Risk Management
- Compliance & Audit
- General Legal
- eDiscovery
- Encryption and Key Mgt
- Identity and Access Mgt
- Storage
- Virtualization
- Application Security
- Portability & Interoperability
- Data Center Operations Management
- Incident Response, Notification, Remediation
- "Traditional" Security impact (business continuity, disaster recovery, physical security)
- Architectural Framework