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BRIEFINGS

Breaking the Isolation

Cross-Account AWS Vulnerabilities

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Background:

The Wiz Research Team

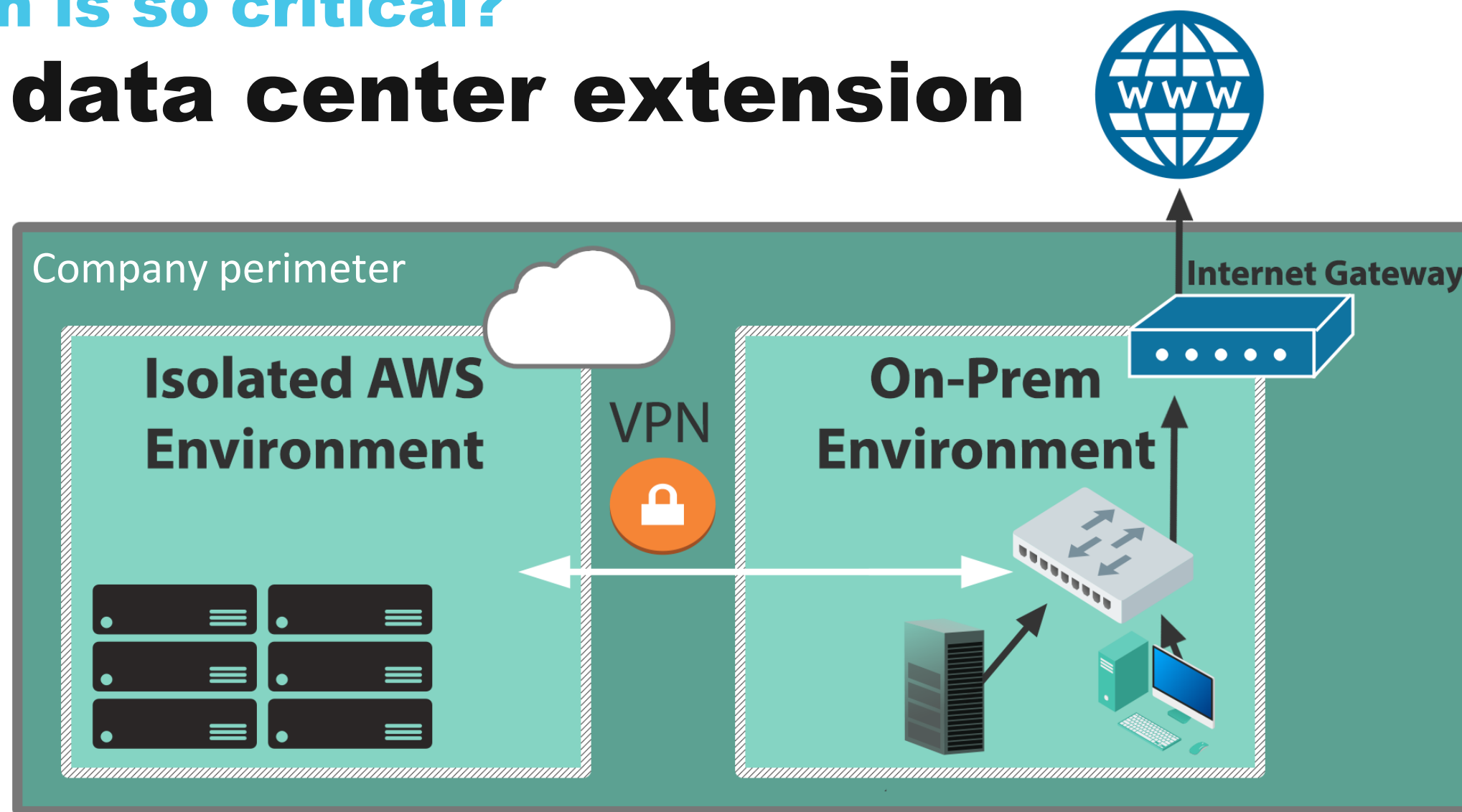
- Experienced security researchers
- Microsoft Cloud Security Group veterans
- Groundbreaking cloud security research to uncover new cloud vulnerabilities



Research question:
**Can we break the isolation of
AWS Environments?**

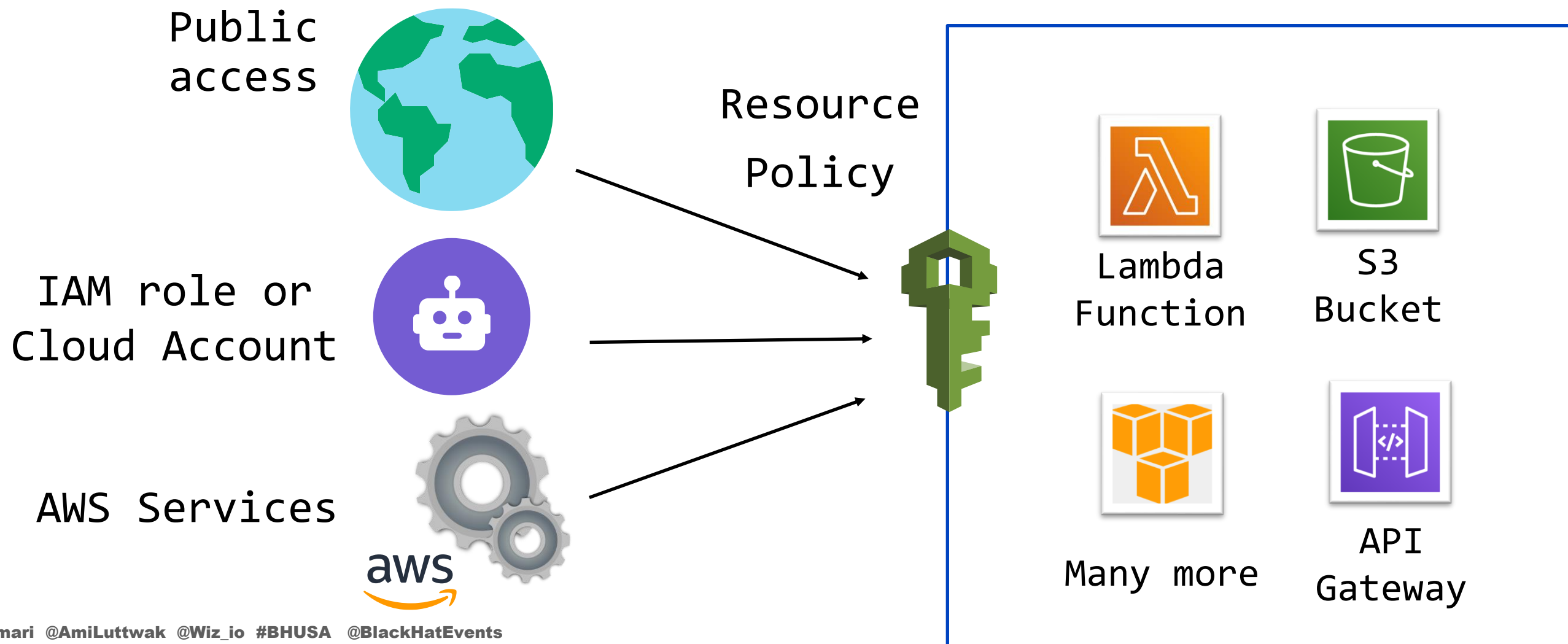
Why isolation is so critical?

Cloud as data center extension



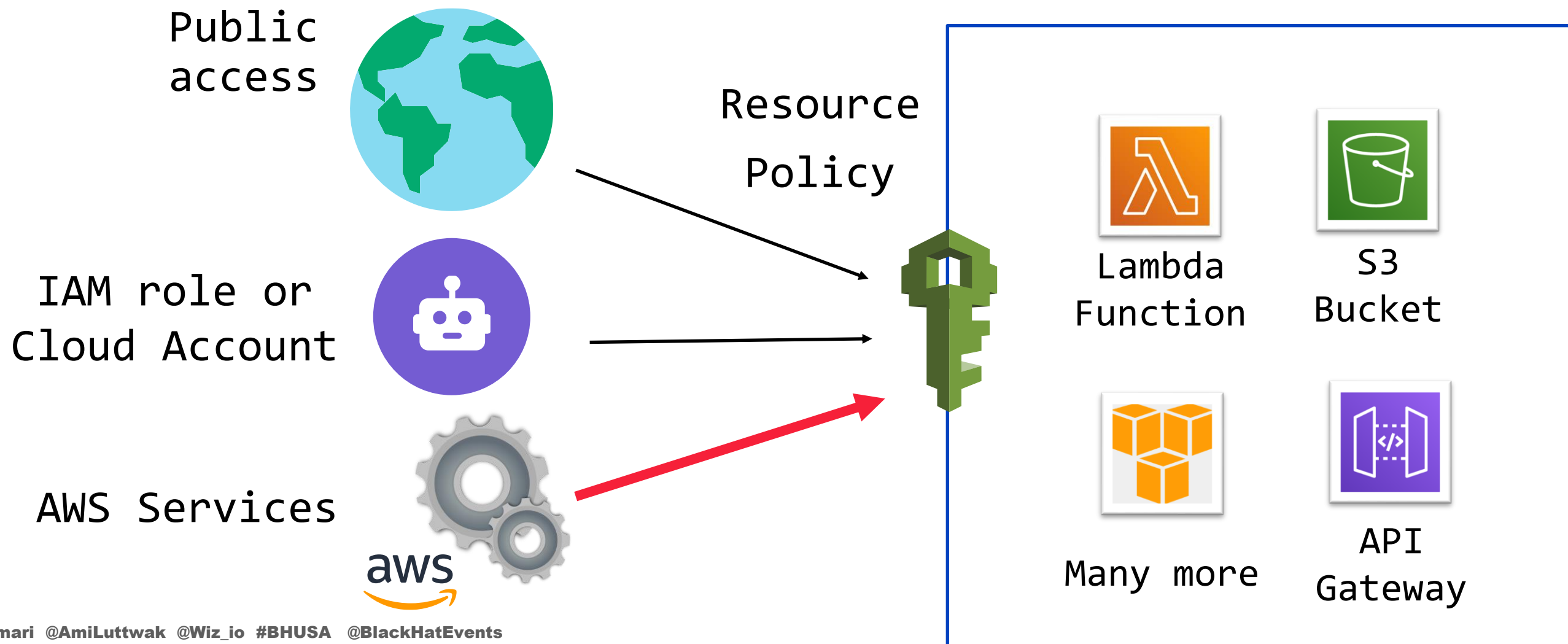
AWS Identity Recap

Cross-account access in AWS



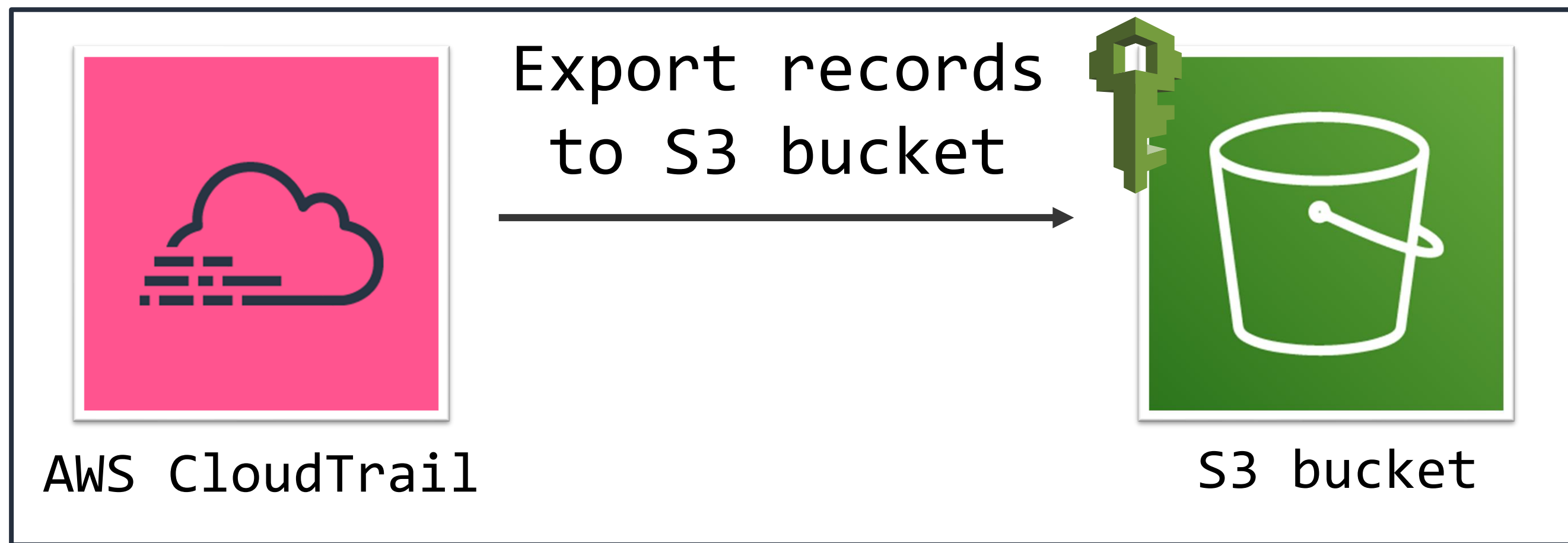
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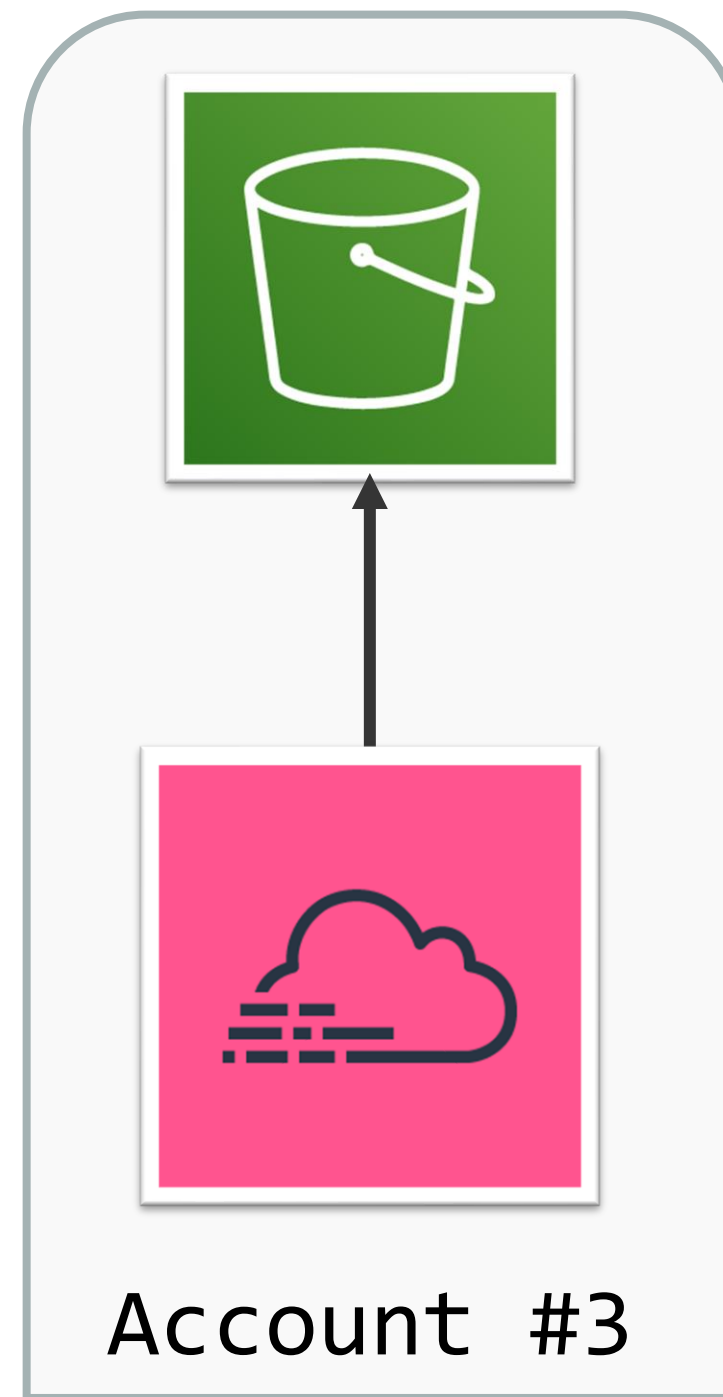
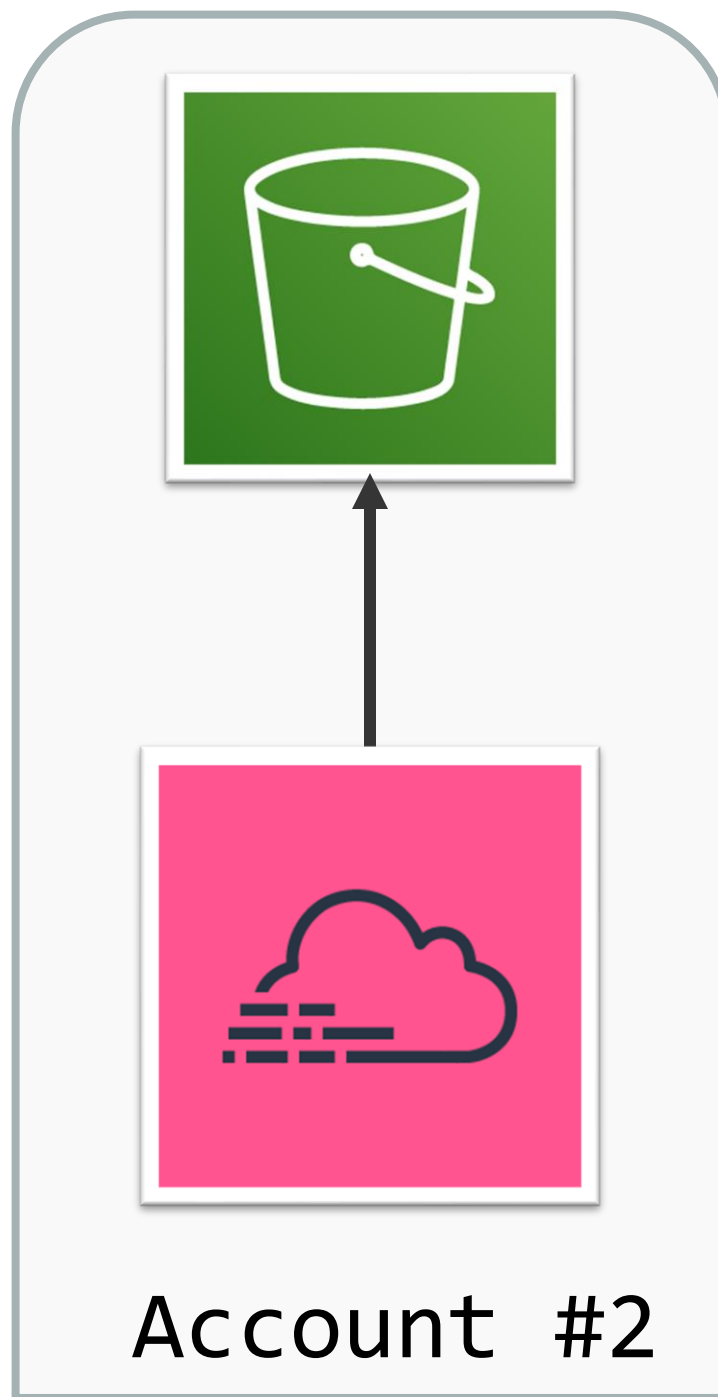
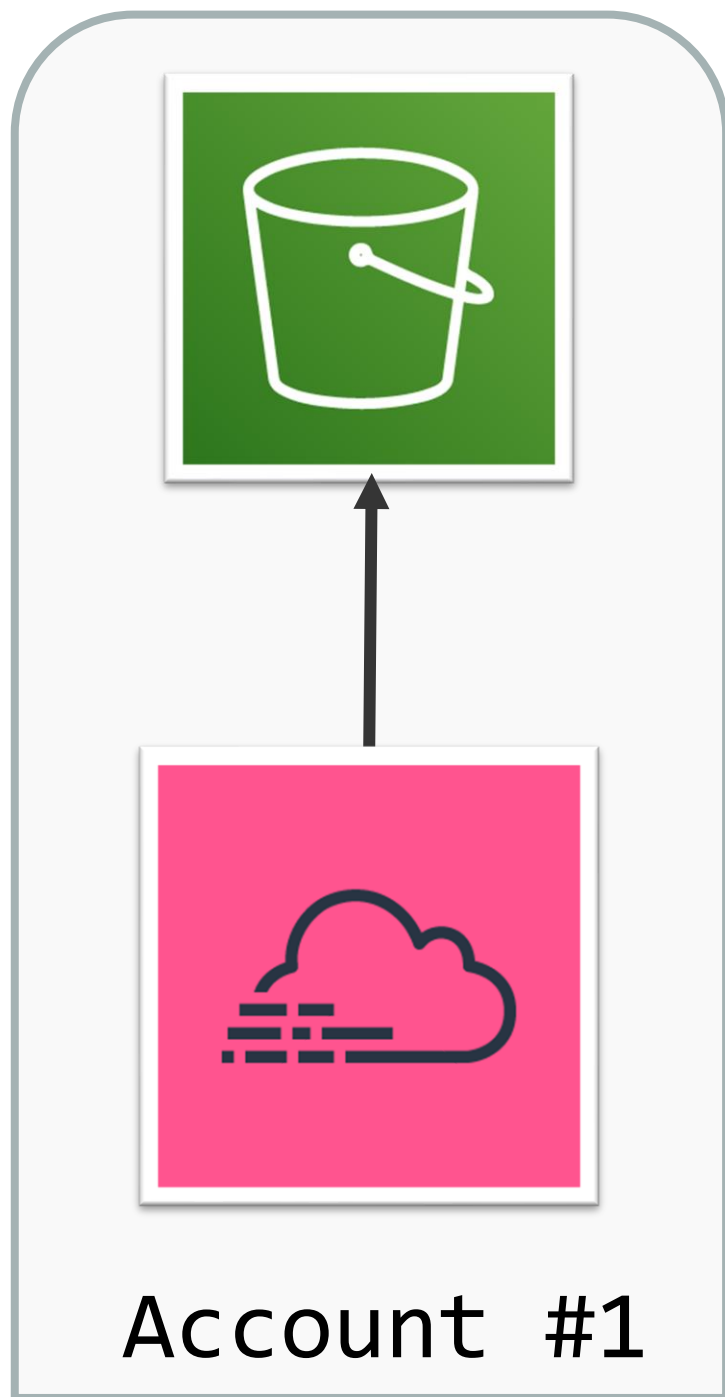
Let's focus on AWS services access

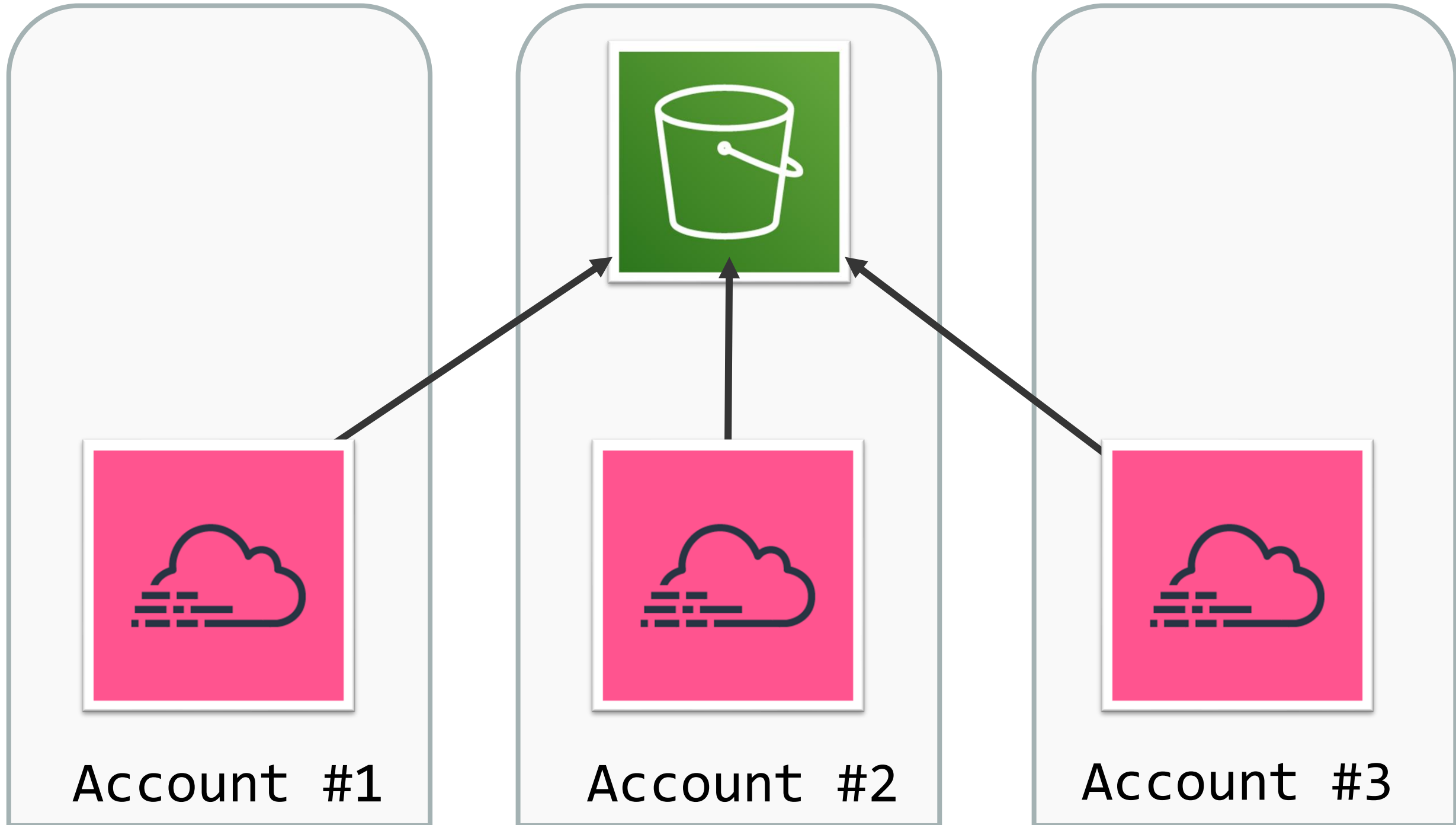


Resource Policy Deep Dive:

Why do services require cross-account access?







Account #1

Account #2

Account #3

CloudTrail Resource Policy: What is missing here?

```
{  
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  "Effect": "Allow",  
  "Principal": {"Service": "cloudtrail.amazonaws.com"},  
  "Action": "s3:PutObject",  
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::victims-cloudtrail-bucket/AWSLogs/123456789012/*",  
  "Condition": {"StringEquals": {"s3:x-amz-acl": "bucket-owner-full-control"}}  
}
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Storage location [Info](#)

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Trail log bucket name

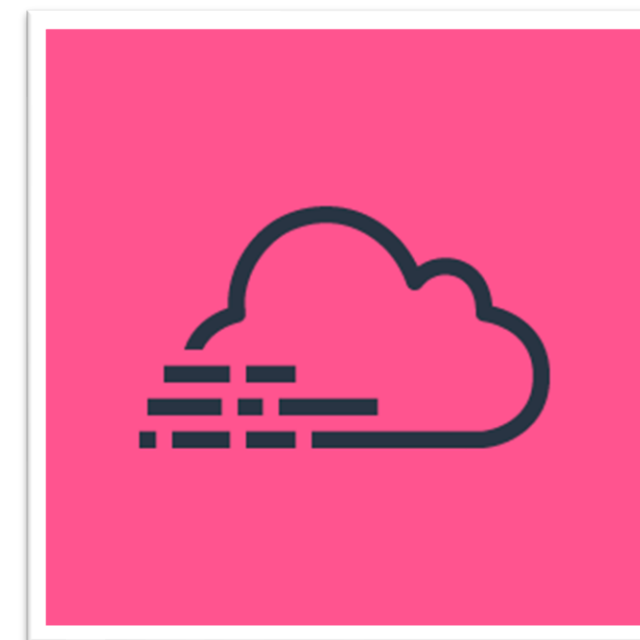
Enter a new S3 bucket name and folder (prefix) to store your logs. Bucket names must be globally unique.



Browse








Prefix - *optional*



Logs will be stored in victims-cloudtrail-bucket/AWSLogs/133713371337



Objects (0)

Objects are the fundamental entities stored in Amazon S3. You can use [Amazon S3 inventory](#) to get a list of all objects in your bucket. For others to access your objects, you'll need to explicitly grant them permissions. [Learn more](#)

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 Create folder  Upload

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ▲	Type ▼	Last modified ▼	Size ▼	Storage class ▼
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No objects

You don't have any objects in this bucket.

 Upload

Breaking Identities: CloudTrail Resource Policy

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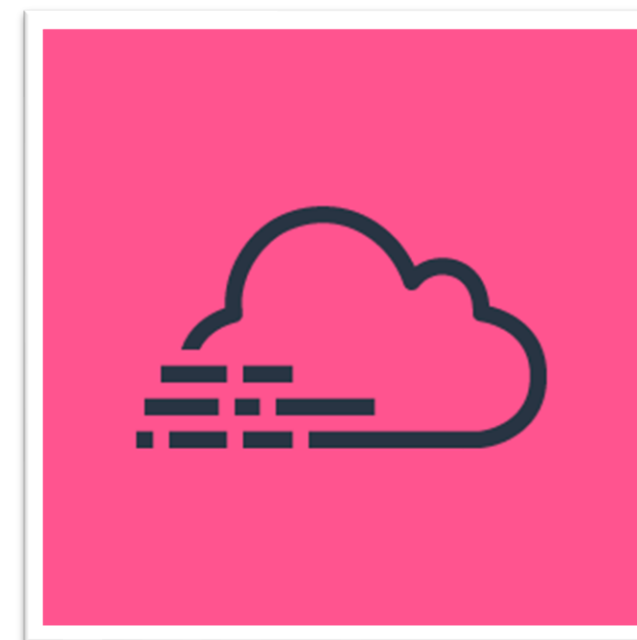
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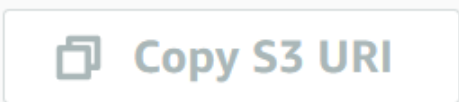

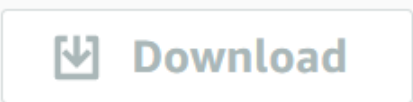
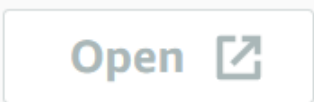

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X-Account vulnerability #1: **CloudTrail**

- Exporting records to other accounts
- A single mistake or a pattern?
- Does it represent something bigger?



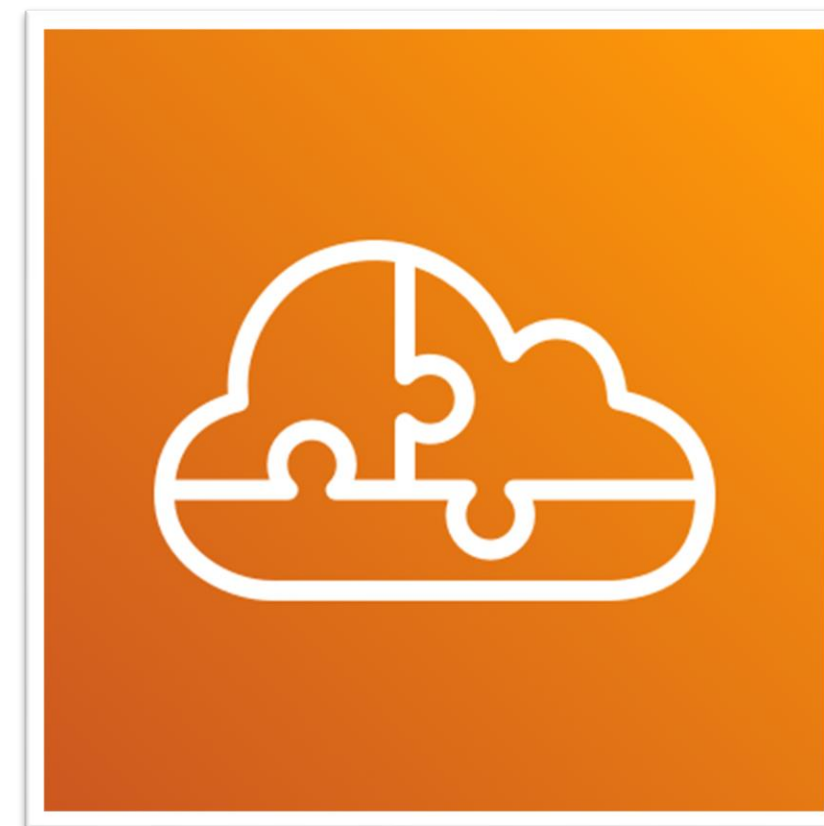
X-Account: Further Research

- **AWS Config** is also vulnerable
- What other services could be vulnerable?
- Can we read data?

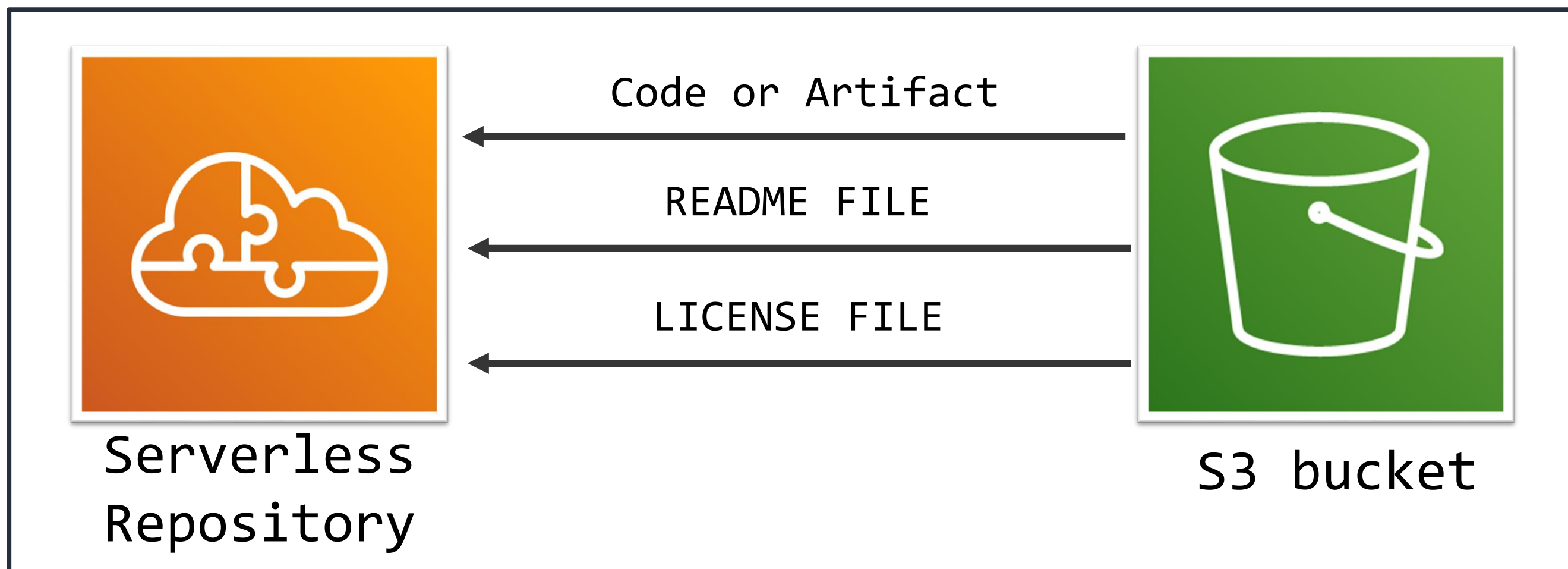


X-Account: **AWS Serverless Repository**

- Managed repository for serverless applications
- Pulls app image and resources from S3 Bucket
- Does this service perform cross account actions?



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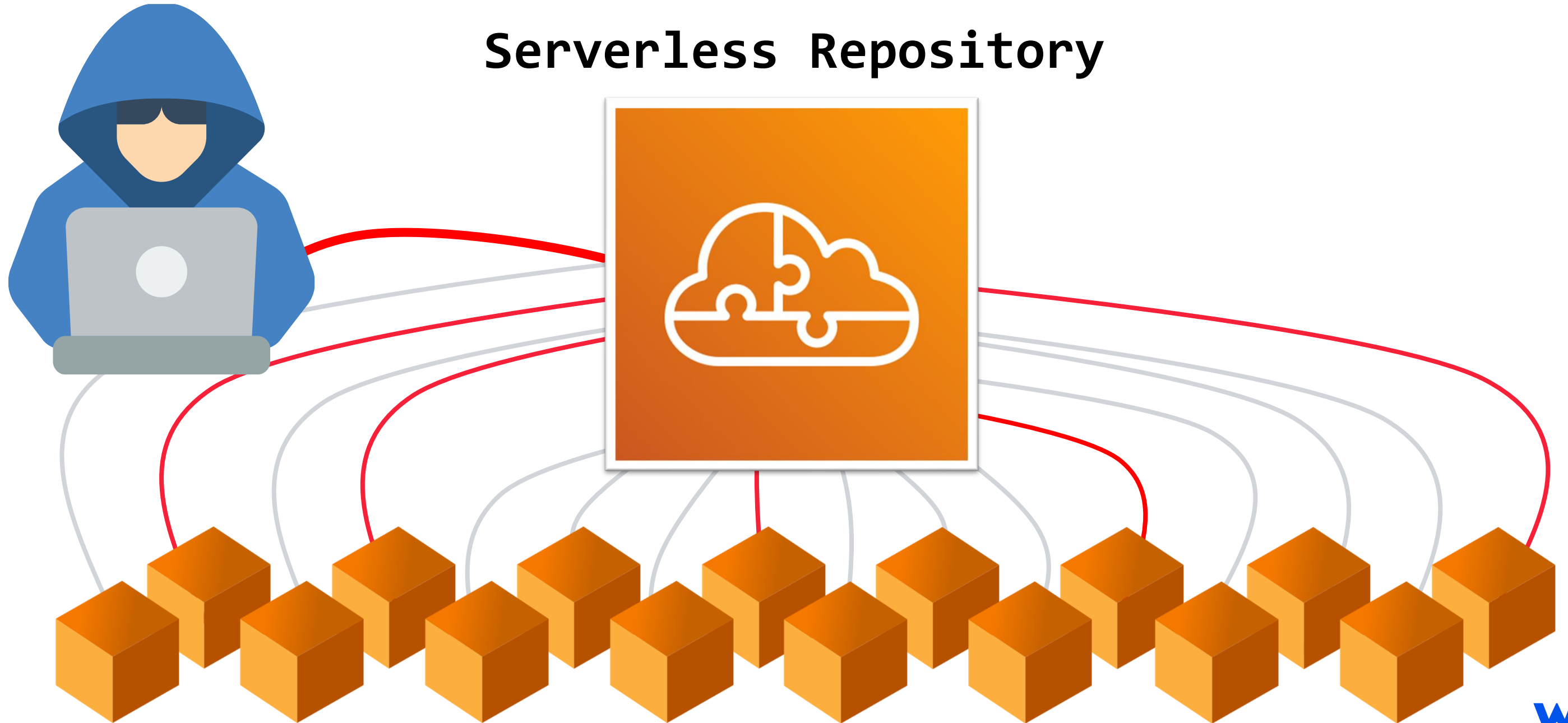
X-Account: AWS Serverless Repository

```
{  
  "Effect": "Allow",  
  "Principal": {"Service": "serverlessrepo.amazonaws.com"},  
  "Action": "s3:GetObject",  
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::bucketname/*"  
}
```


Serverless Repository



Serverless Repository



AWS Serverless Repository: An Exploit

```
shir@lp:~$ aws serverlessrepo update-application \  
--application-id arn:aws:serverlessrepo:*:*:applications/test \  
--readme-url https://serverless-repo-app10.s3.amazonaws.com/config.yaml
```

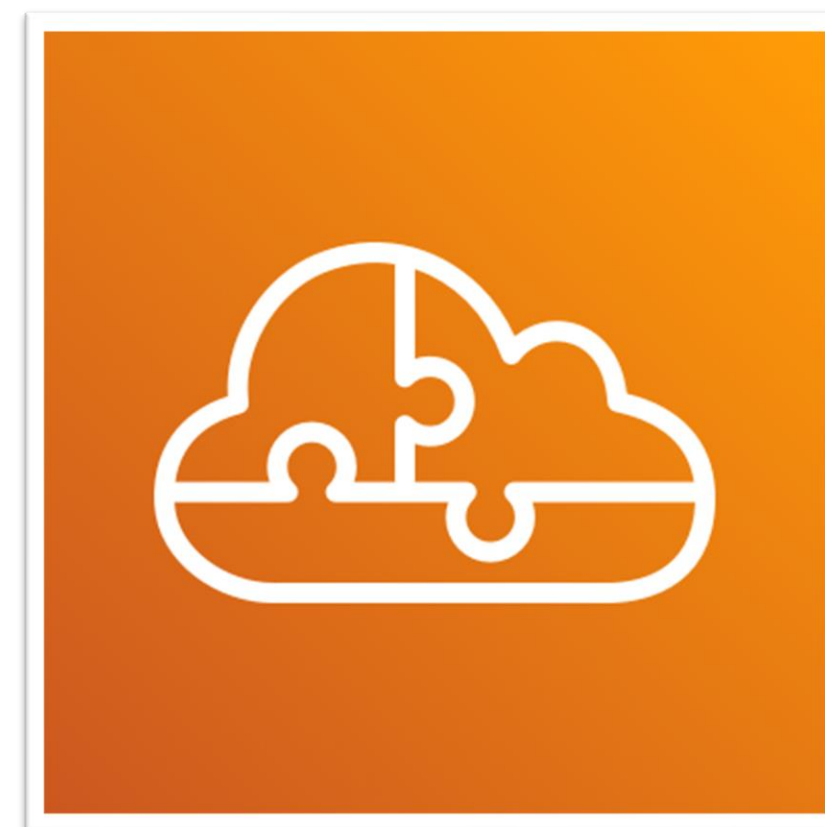
Demo

Breaking the Isolation: Serverless Repository

- Reading object from private S3 buckets

Source code, Artifacts, Secrets

- Data exfiltration
- It is a pattern!



Summary:

We Broke the Isolation

- 3 vulnerabilities disclosed
- Several more are in disclosure process
- This is just the tip of the iceberg

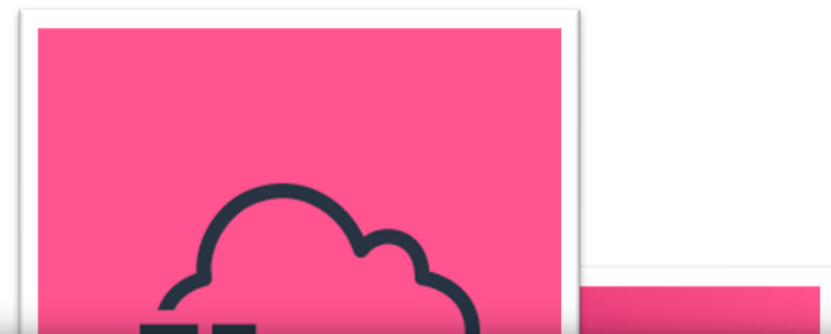
Breaking the Isolation: Disclosure Timeline

- November 30th, 2020 – Report sent
- December 19th, 2020 – Acknowledged
- January 26th, 2021 – Resolved



The Fix:

AWS Config and CloudTrail



- Added prefix input validation:

AWS Config - Prefix validation check for new delivery channels [AWS Account: XXXXXXXXXX]



Amazon Web Services, Inc. <no-reply-aws@amazon.com>

to me ▾

Hello,

AWS Config will no longer support the 'AWSLogs/' prefix after February 15, 2021.

AWS Personal Health Dashboard

The Fix:

Serverless Repository

- AWS added new scoping condition
- Email was sent to customers
- Alert was issued on the AWS Personal Health Dashboard



5. Paste the following policy statement into the **Bucket policy editor**. Make sure to substitute your bucket name in the `Resource` element, and your AWS account ID in the `Condition` element. The expression in the `Condition` element ensure AWS Serverless Application Repository only has permission to access applications from the specified AWS account. For more information about policy statements, see [IAM JSON policy elements reference](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "serverlessrepo.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "s3:GetObject",
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::bucketname/*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Amazon added to documentation:
Correct account scoping

6. Choose the **Save** button

The aftermath - 5 months later

Most environments are still vulnerable

- Our survey results: **90%** of the Serverless Repository buckets are still improperly configured
- Why? The process is broken

Users are responsible to update their resource policies but security teams are not aware of the risks

Takeaways #1:

Service access is a new cloud exposure risk

Amazon API Gateway Supports Cross-Account
AWS Lambda Authorizers and Integrations

Posted On: Apr 2, 2018

Posted On: Jul 6, 2015

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Before

- Could this service expose my environment?
- Can I scope the service access to specific accounts?

Takeaways #2:

Cloud Vulnerabilities - an industry problem

Email notifications are not enough.

Is it time for a central cloud CVE DB?

- Formal identification
 - Severity mechanism
 - Tracking system

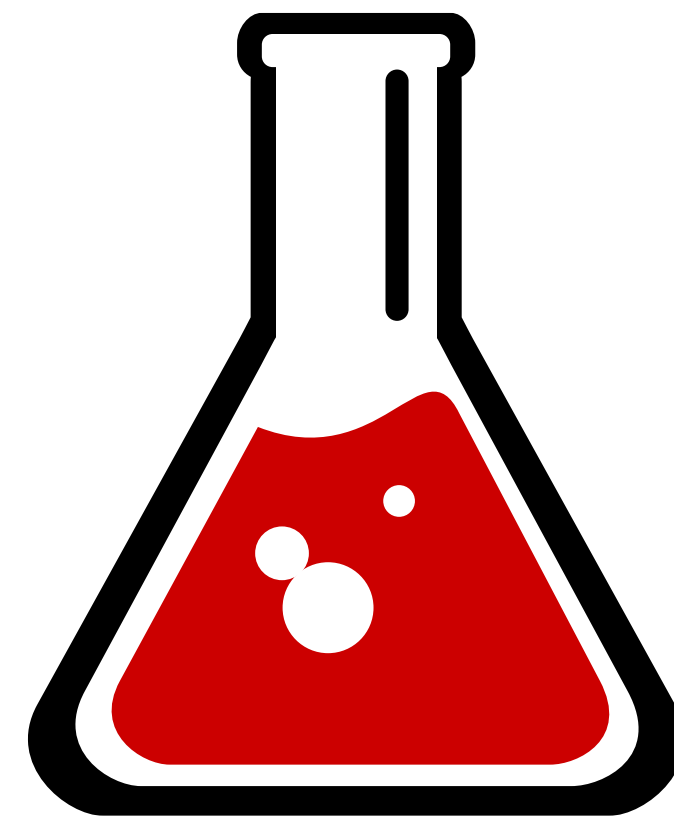
Breaking the Isolation: Further research

- Map services with cross-account functionality
- More cloud providers

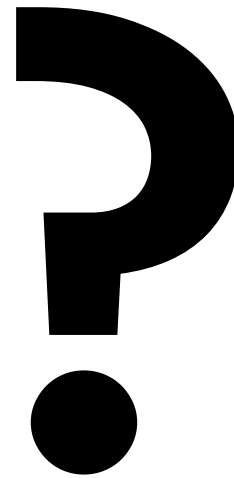


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Breaking the Isolation: Q&A



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