CLOUD SECURITY ISSUES USING THE EXAMPLE OF GOOGLE CLOUD SYSTEMS

Why Cloud Services?

- Reduced costs
- Increased flexibility& scalability
- Customer only needs to pay what used (not local resources)

Security concerns



Threats to the Cloud

- Distributed Denial of Services (DDoS)
- Man in the middle
- Data Breaches
- Data Loss
- Account or Service Traffic Hijacking
- Insecure APIs
- Malicious Insiders

Security Issues (1)

- Service provider security issues
 - Identity and Access Management
 - Privacy
 - User Identity
 - Securing Data in Transmission
 - Audit and Compliance
- Infrastructure Security Issues
 - Securing data-storage
 - Network and Server

Security Issues (2)

- End User Security Issues
 - Security as a service
 - Browser Security
 - Loss of Governance
 - Lock-in
 - Data protection

Google's Security Management

- At multiple levels of data storage, access, transfer
 - Google corporate security policies
 - Organizational security
 - Data Asset Management
 - Access Control
 - Physical and Environmental Security
 - Infrastructure Security
 - Systems Development and Maintenance
 - Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity

Google's Infrastructure Security Layers

- Infrastructure Security
 - Network Security
 - Malware Prevention
 - Monitoring
 - Vulnerability Management
 - Incident management
 - Transport Layer Security
 - Operating System Security

Outlook on use of cloud services

- Google offers good solutions
- Provides as secure as possible environment
- Use in enterprises could grow

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