

On Security aspects of cloud and mobile computing: Main challenges

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The Three Laws of Security:

1. Absolutely secure systems do not exist



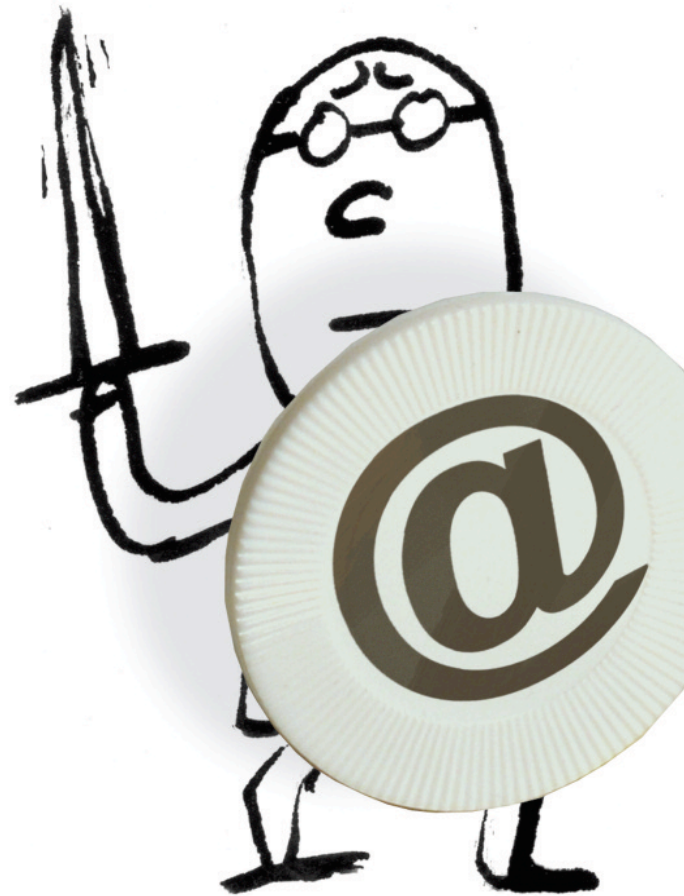
The Three Laws of Security:

2. To halve your vulnerability, you have to double your expenditure

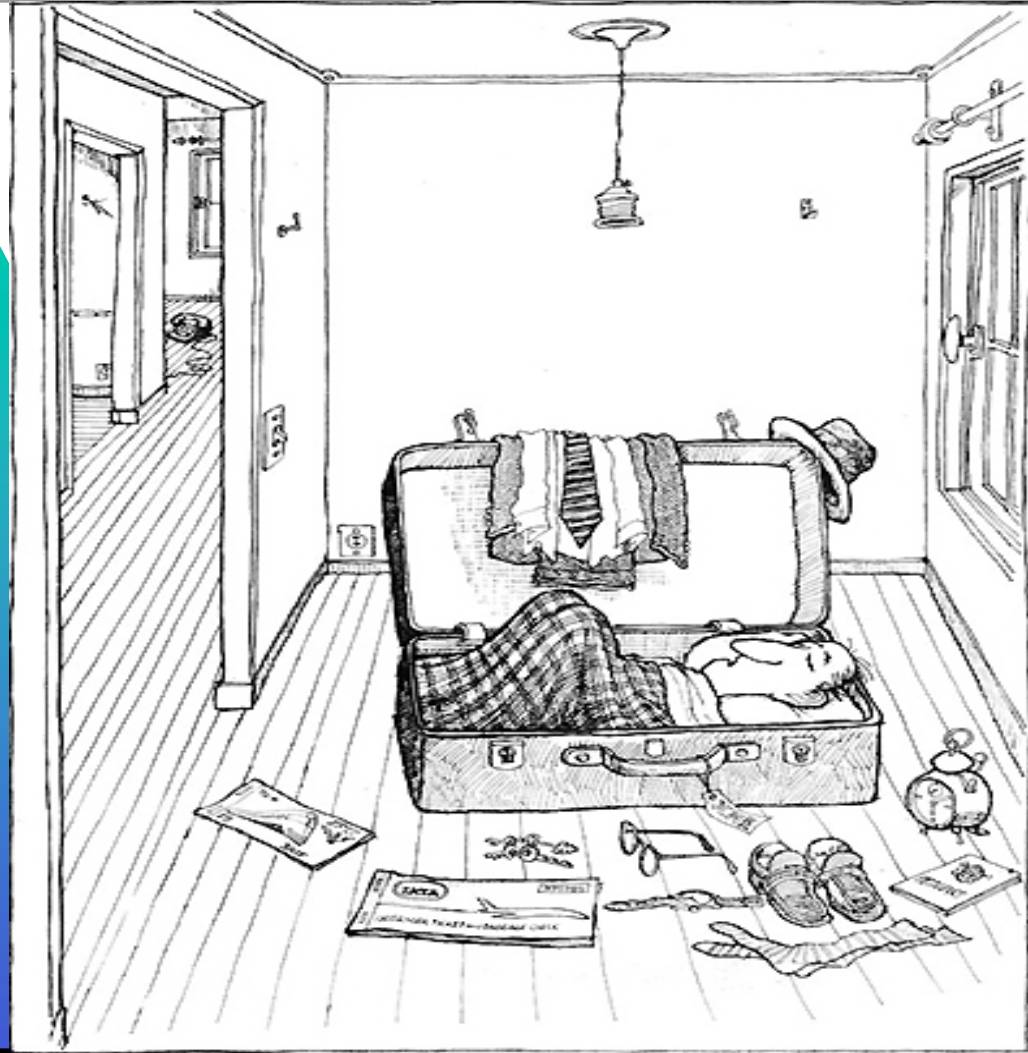


The Three Laws of Security:

3. Cryptography is typically bypassed, not penetrated

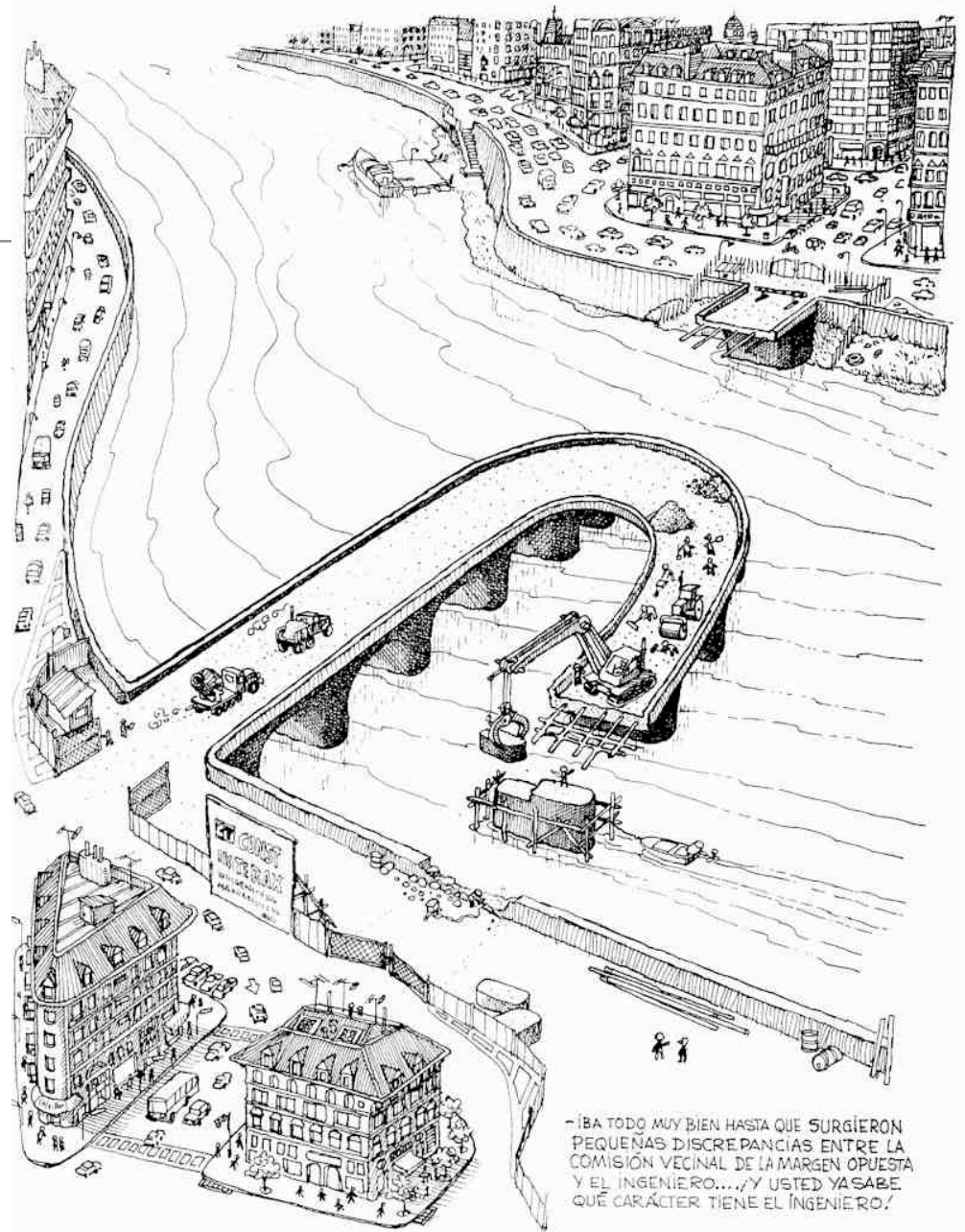


Security Issues in Mobile Computing



Mobile Computing Applications

- PDAs
- Carputers
- Wearable computers (clothes, eye glasses, etc.)
- Smartphone
- Ultra-mobile PC
- Smart sensors in infrastructure (windows, roads, bridges, etc.)
- Etc.



Security and Economics of Mobile Computing



- People won't be willing to pay for security per se
- People won't buy products without security

Where are the challenges for mobile computing security?



- Designers worry about IT functionality, security is ignored or an afterthought.
- Attacker has easy access to nodes
- Security infrastructure (PKI etc.) is missing: Protocols?
- Side-channel and tamper attacks
- **Computation/memory/power constrained**



Security Issues in Cloud Computing

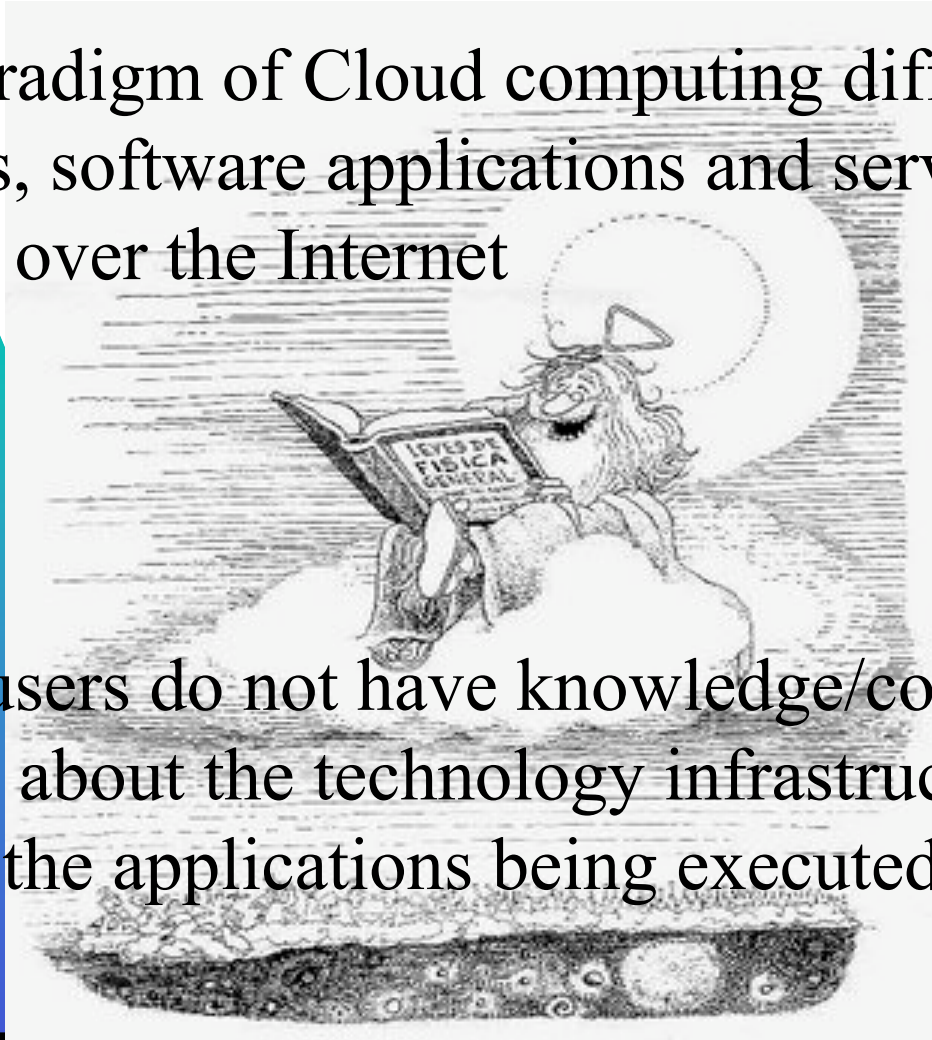


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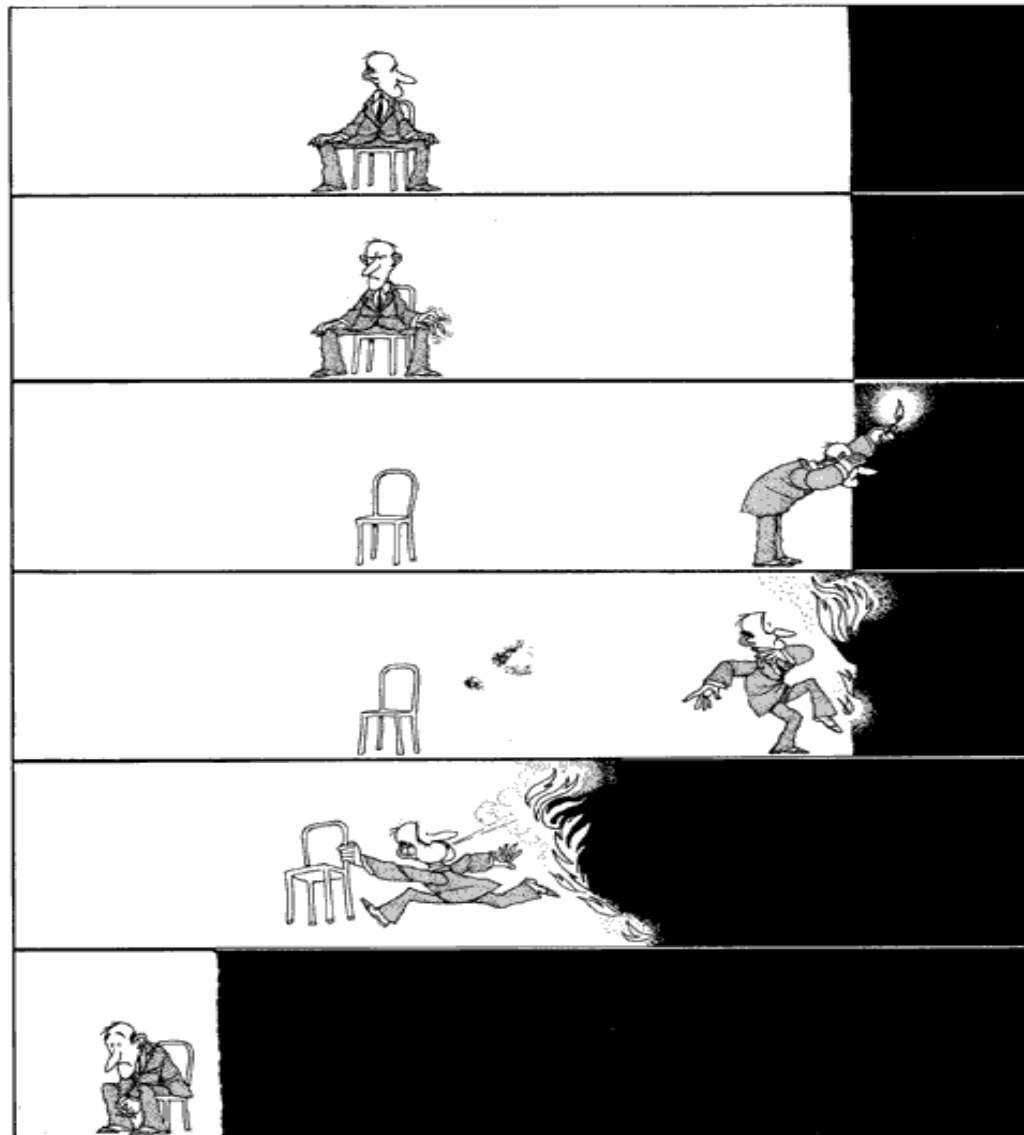
Cloud Computing Main Features



- In the paradigm of Cloud computing different resources, software applications and services are provided over the Internet
- Typical users do not have knowledge/control or expertise about the technology infrastructure that supports the applications being executed by them



So... Where are the challenges in Cloud Computing?



How cloud hosting companies approach security



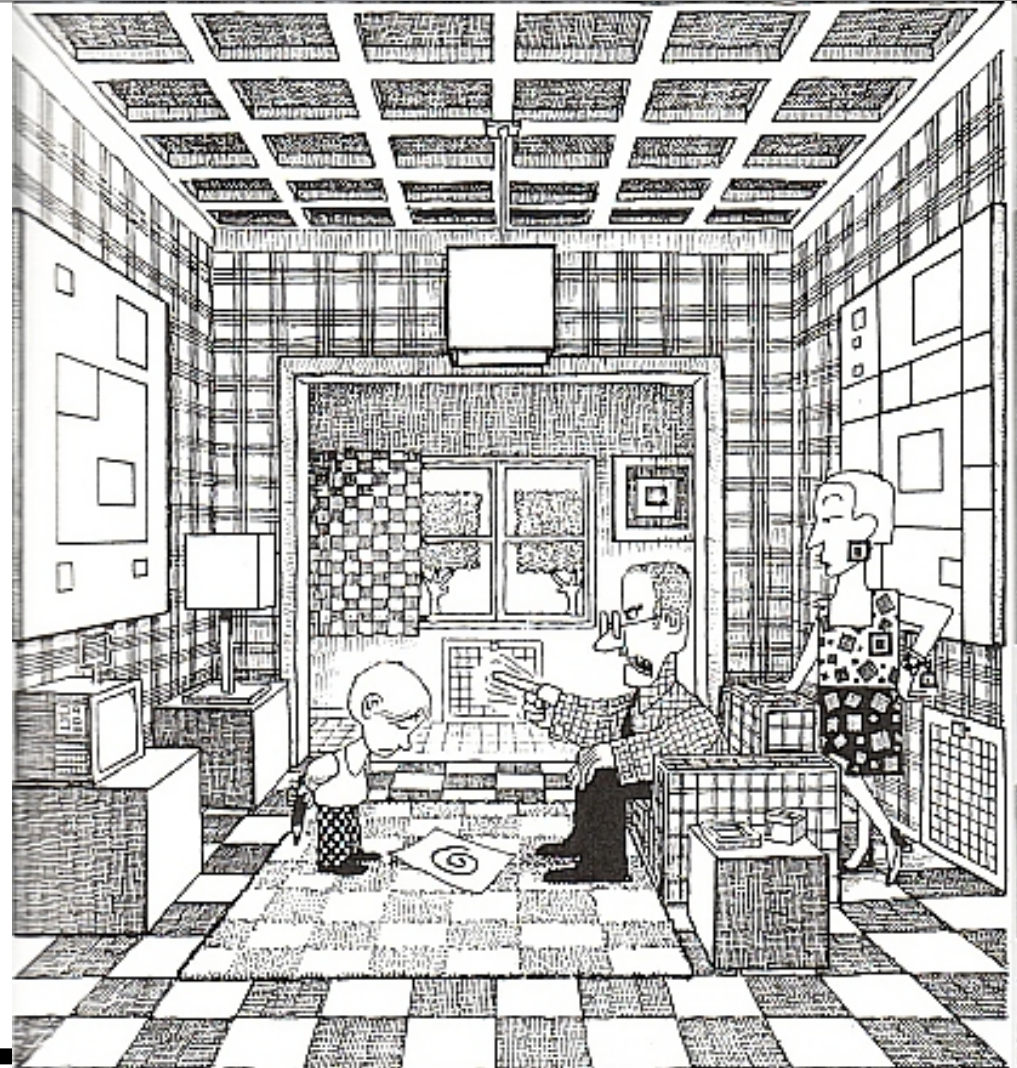
Is the correct moment to go for standards or the cloud industry is still in a embryonic stage where too many restrictions may actually hamper its development?



Jurisdiction and Legislation where data is held

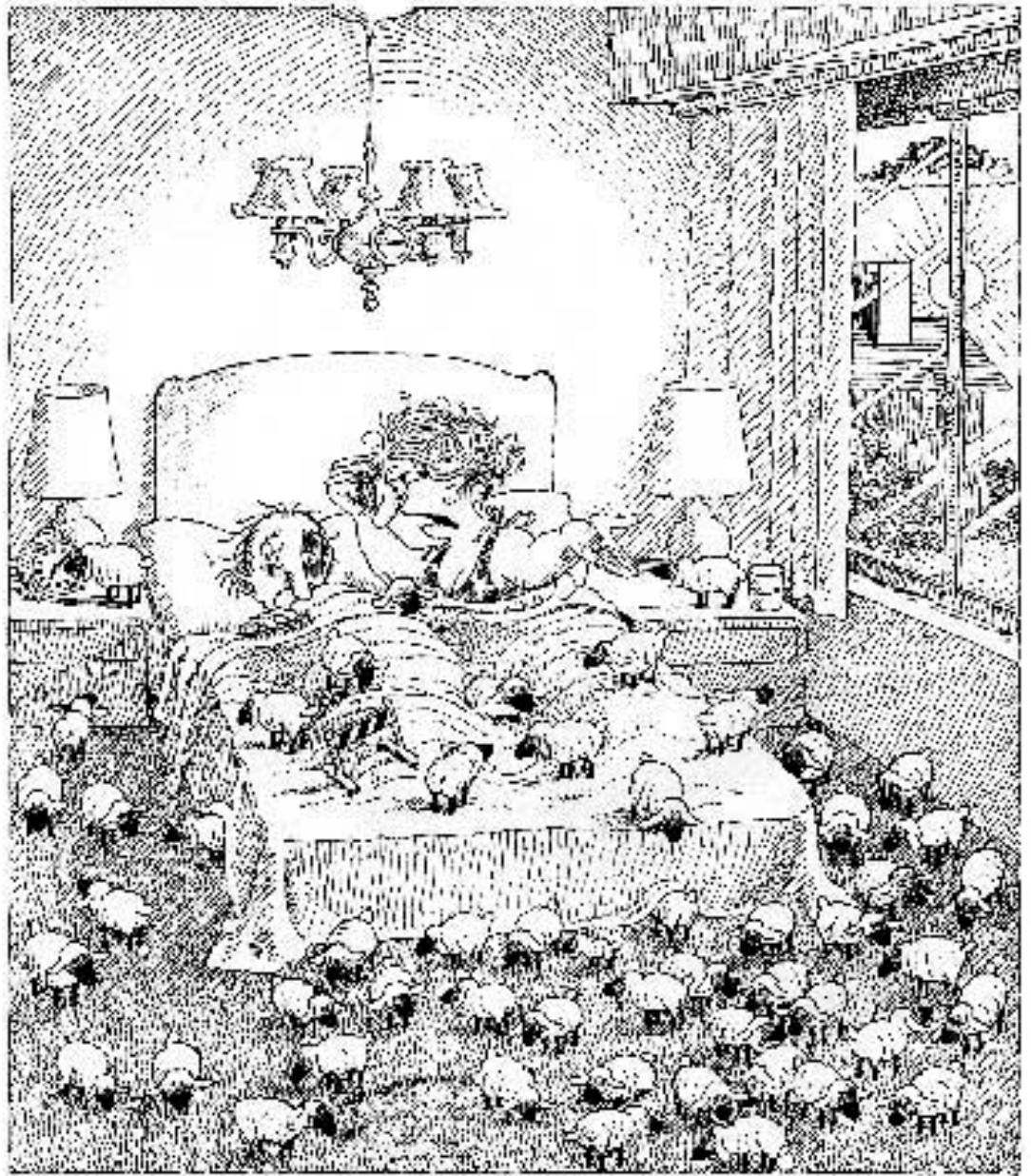


- Data that might be secure in one country may not be secure in another
- Very often, users of cloud services don't know where their information is being stored



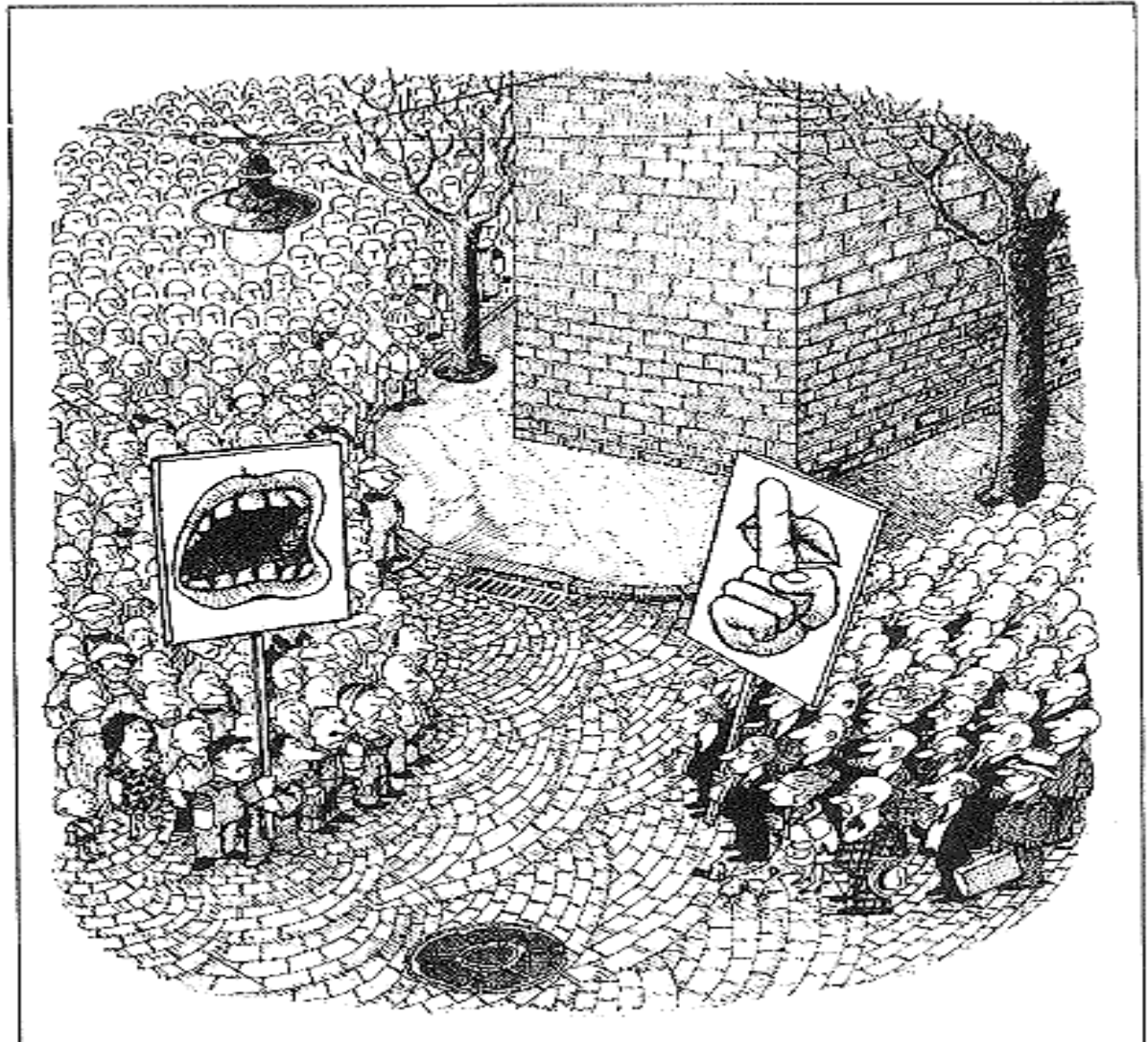
Privacy

- How can we know that our sensible data will not be shared with third companies?
- Do I still fully hold the copyrights of my documents (e.g. photos)



Trust

- Should I keep my sensible data within a third party infrastructure?



The last word is...



Thanks!

