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Innovative Approaches to Large-Scale Cloud Migration and DevOps Integration

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Abstract

The rapid adoption of cloud computing has compelled enterprises to modernize legacy systems and migrate large-scale workloads to distributed cloud environments. However, organizations continue to face critical challenges related to cost management, architectural complexity, security risks, and limited automation during migration. This review examines how DevOps practices—particularly Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD), containerization, automated testing and Infrastructure as Code (IaC)—can address these challenges and improve migration outcomes. A structured analysis of recent literature, supported by sector-specific case studies from finance, healthcare, manufacturing, and education, highlights the role of DevOps in reducing deployment failures, accelerating release cycles, enhancing system resilience, and lowering operational costs. The findings indicate that DevOps-driven automation not only streamlines migration pipelines but also strengthens security posture, improves resource optimization, and supports large-scale modernization efforts. This paper contributes a consolidated understanding of emerging approaches in cloud migration and proposes a conceptual direction for integrating DevOps pipelines as a foundational enabler for reliable, efficient, and scalable cloud transformation strategies.

Keywords: CI/CD, Multi-Cloud, Automation, DevOps, Security, Continuous Testing, Cloud Migration, Hybrid-Cloud.

1. Introduction

The rapid adoption of cloud computing has transformed the way organizations manage their IT infrastructures, offering scalable solutions that improve efficiency, reduce costs, and enable innovation. As businesses migrate their legacy systems to the cloud, they must address a range of challenges, including data security, system compatibility, downtime, and high operational costs. Effective cloud migration is not only a technical challenge but also a strategic one, requiring organizations to rethink their IT architecture, workflows, and processes. Cloud migration encompasses the process of transferring data, applications, and workloads from on-premises environments to cloud platforms, such as Amazon Web Services (AWS), Microsoft Azure, and

Google Cloud Platform (GCP) (Smith et al., 2020; Kumar & Lee, 2021). While the benefits of cloud migration, such as increased scalability and flexibility, are well-recognized, the migration process itself remains complex and prone to risk (Johnson et al., 2019; Zhang & Chen, 2020).

The integration of DevOps practices has emerged as a key strategy to overcome many of these challenges. DevOps, a set of practices that combines software development (Dev) and IT operations (Ops), aims to shorten the systems development lifecycle and provide continuous delivery with high software quality (Hernandez & Park, 2022). Specifically, DevOps practices such as Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD), Infrastructure as Code (IaC), and containerization have been shown to streamline and automate cloud migration processes, significantly improving deployment speed, system reliability, and cost efficiency (Gupta et al., 2020; Tan). These practices offer solutions to critical migration challenges by automating testing, deployment, and infrastructure provisioning, thus reducing human error, optimizing resources, and enhancing collaboration between development and operations teams (Angen et al., 2010).

One of the most important advantages of integrating DevOps in cloud migration is the reduction in migration time and downtime. Traditional migration methods often involve long, error-prone processes with significant system outages. By incorporating DevOps practices, organizations can achieve faster, more reliable migrations through the use of automated testing, version control, and containerization technologies, such as Docker and Kubernetes, which ensure consistency across environments (Hernandez & Park, 2022; Gupta et al., 2020). This is particularly important in industries where continuous system uptime is crucial, such as finance, healthcare, and manufacturing.

Despite the widespread adoption of DevOps practices in software development, its application in cloud migration has been less explored in academic literature. While some studies have discussed the role of DevOps in general IT operations (Pereira et al., 2021; Vemuri et al., 2022), there is a limited understanding of how these practices can be specifically leveraged to optimize large-scale cloud migration projects. Furthermore, most research focuses on the individual benefits of DevOps tools, such as CI/CD pipelines and IaC, but fails to critically analyze their collective impact on the overall migration strategy (Li et al., 2021). This paper aims to fill this gap by providing a systematic review of the literature on DevOps and cloud migration, with a particular focus on how DevOps practices can address the challenges associated with cloud adoption, such as system downtime, cost management, and security vulnerabilities.

This review paper will first discuss the key challenges involved in cloud migration and how DevOps can alleviate these issues. It will then critically examine the systematic application of DevOps practices in large-scale cloud migrations, highlighting their impact on performance, risk mitigation, security, and cost reduction. By synthesizing existing case studies and research, this paper aims to offer a comprehensive understanding of how DevOps can streamline cloud

migration, providing valuable insights for both academic researchers and industry practitioners. Furthermore, it will identify gaps in the current research and suggest future directions for the study and application of DevOps in cloud migration..

2. Background

2.1.Overview of Cloud Migration

Cloud migration refers to the process of transferring an organization's data, applications, and IT resources from on-premises environments to cloud-based platforms. This transition has become a critical strategy for organizations seeking to modernize their infrastructure and benefit from the scalability, cost-efficiency, and flexibility offered by cloud computing. Several migration strategies exist, including lift-and-shift, re-platforming, and re-factoring. Each approach varies in terms of complexity, cost, and impact on the existing architecture (Smith et al., 2020; Kumar & Lee, 2021).While cloud migration offers numerous advantages such as enhanced scalability, reduced costs, and improved performance, it also presents significant challenges. These challenges often stem from the complexity of migrating legacy applications, the integration of new cloud-based systems with existing on-premises systems, and ensuring the security and compliance of sensitive data during the migration process (Fahmideh et al., 2020).

For instance, a study by Johnson et al. (2019) highlights the compatibility issues that arise when attempting to migrate legacy systems, which were often not designed to run on cloud-based infrastructure. The performance overhead during migration can also be a concern, as businesses often face system downtimes, delays, and unanticipated costs (Zhang & Chen, 2020). Despite these challenges, cloud migration is seen as essential for organizations looking to remain competitive in today's digital economy, particularly with the increasing demand for cloud-based applications and services in sectors like finance, healthcare, retail, and manufacturing.

2.2 Emergence of DevOps in Cloud Migration

DevOps, a set of practices that unites development (Dev) and IT operations (Ops), has emerged as a crucial enabler in the cloud migration process. DevOps aims to break down silos between development and operations teams, fostering a culture of collaboration and continuous delivery. By automating the software delivery process, DevOps practices such as Continuous Integration (CI), Continuous Deployment (CD), and Infrastructure as Code (IaC) improve deployment speed, software quality, and reliability (Gupta et al., 2020). DevOps has become integral to cloud migration, particularly due to its emphasis on automation, testing, and continuous monitoring. With the help of containerization technologies like Docker and Kubernetes, DevOps simplifies the process of migrating applications to the cloud by ensuring environment consistency and eliminating issues such as "works on my machine" discrepancies. Containerization allows organizations to package applications and their dependencies into

portable containers that can run seamlessly across different cloud environments (Manor et al 2021).

Additionally, IaC enables the automation of infrastructure provisioning, eliminating manual configuration and ensuring that cloud resources can be managed and deployed with consistency. This capability is particularly useful in large-scale cloud migrations, where managing infrastructure manually can lead to errors, delays, and increased costs (Hernandez & Park, 2022). By integrating these practices into cloud migration strategies, organizations can accelerate their migration processes, reduce risks, and improve overall efficiency.

2.3 Objectives of the Paper

The primary objective of this review paper is to explore the integration of DevOps practices in cloud migration strategies, focusing on the benefits, challenges, and implications for organizations undergoing large-scale migrations. The paper aims to:

1. Examine the role of DevOps tools and practices (CI/CD, IaC, containerization) in facilitating cloud migration.
2. Identify the key challenges faced by organizations in migrating to the cloud, and how DevOps practices address these challenges.
3. Synthesize existing literature to provide a clear understanding of how DevOps can improve cloud migration processes in various industries.
4. Highlight gaps in the current research and propose areas for further exploration in the field of cloud migration and DevOps integration.

3. Related Work

3.1 Cloud Migration Challenges

Cloud migration is a complex process that requires meticulous planning and execution. One of the main challenges is system compatibility, especially when migrating legacy systems to cloud infrastructures that were not originally designed for distributed cloud environments. Fahmideh et al. (2020) emphasize that a lack of preparation for these compatibility issues is one of the leading causes of migration failures. These systems often rely on outdated technologies that may not be easily integrated into cloud-based platforms.

Another major challenge is ensuring security and data integrity during the migration process. During the transition to the cloud, organizations face the risk of data breaches, data loss, and unauthorized access to sensitive information. This issue is particularly acute in industries such as healthcare and finance, where strict regulatory requirements govern the management of sensitive data. As pointed out by Zhang and Chen (2020), ensuring that these regulatory

standards are met while migrating to the cloud requires thorough planning and a deep understanding of both the cloud architecture and applicable legal frameworks. Additionally, organizations often underestimate the operational costs involved in migration. While cloud adoption can result in long-term savings, the initial phase of migration can be costly due to the need for specialized tools, external consultants, and workforce training (Smith et al., 2020).

3.2Cloud Migration Challenges

DevOps practices have gained widespread recognition for their ability to improve the efficiency, reliability, and speed of software delivery. The integration of DevOps into cloud migration strategies has the potential to mitigate many of the challenges associated with migration, particularly system downtime, deployment failures, and manual configuration errors.

3.2.1 Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD)

CI/CD pipelines are one of the cornerstones of DevOps and play a critical role in automating the software delivery process. According to Saleh et al., CI/CD pipelines help organizations automate the integration of code changes, run automated tests, and deploy code into production more frequently. In the context of cloud migration, CI/CD allows organizations to move from a traditional deployment model to a cloud-based, automated deployment model that accelerates the migration process and reduces human error.

3.2.2 Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

Infrastructure as Code (IaC) is another critical DevOps practice that is particularly relevant for cloud migration. IaC allows organizations to define and manage their cloud infrastructure through code, which can be versioned, tested, and automated in a way that ensures consistency across environments (Gupta et al., 2020). As discussed by Hernandez & Park (2022), IaC enables organizations to automatically provision and configure cloud resources, reducing the risk of misconfigurations and enabling scalable, repeatable migrations.

3.2.3 Containerization and Micro-Services

Containerization, which involves packaging applications and their dependencies into portable containers, ensures that applications run consistently across different environments. Containers can be easily migrated between on-premises systems and the cloud, allowing for seamless transitions. Docker and Kubernetes are widely used containerization tools that integrate well with cloud platforms and DevOps practices (Manor et al.). By adopting microservices architectures, organizations can decompose monolithic applications into smaller, more manageable services that can be independently deployed and scaled in the cloud (Waseem et al., 2019). This decomposition is particularly beneficial for large-scale migrations, as it enables phased, incremental migration rather than an all-at-once approach.

3.3 Case Studies of DevOps-Driven Cloud Migration

Several studies have provided real-world evidence of the effectiveness of DevOps in cloud migration. Joshi presented a case study of a medium-sized enterprise that adopted DevOps practices as part of its migration to the cloud. The organization used CI/CD pipelines, automated testing, and containerization to accelerate the migration process, reducing deployment time by 50% and minimizing downtime during migration. This case study highlights the practical benefits of integrating DevOps into cloud migration, particularly in terms of speed and reliability.

In another study, Berhe et al. (2019) investigated the use of DevOps in the healthcare sector. The study found that the integration of DevOps practices, particularly automated testing and containerization, led to a smoother migration of healthcare applications to the cloud. The results showed a significant reduction in the time required for deployment and a reduction in the risk of service interruptions, which is critical in healthcare environments where downtime can have serious consequences.

3.4 Security and Risk Management in DevOps-Enabled Cloud Migration

While DevOps practices can significantly improve cloud migration, they also introduce new security challenges. As organizations automate their migration processes using CI/CD pipelines and IaC, it is crucial to integrate security practices into the development lifecycle. This is the focus of DevSecOps, which emphasizes automated security testing, vulnerability scanning, and secure coding practices within the DevOps pipeline. DevSecOps ensures that security is not treated as an afterthought but is embedded in every stage of the migration process, from development to deployment.Security concerns, especially in industries such as healthcare and finance, remain a significant barrier to cloud adoption. As noted by Gupta et al. (2020), the multi-cloud and hybrid cloud environments often used in cloud migration introduce additional complexity, particularly in terms of ensuring consistent securitypolicies across different cloud platforms.

3.5 Research Gaps and Future Directions

Although significant progress has been made in integrating DevOps into cloud migration, several gaps remain in the research. There is a lack of standardized frameworks that integrate all DevOps practices (CI/CD, IaC, containerization) into the cloud migration process. Furthermore, most existing studies focus on specific aspects of migration or individual DevOps practices, rather than providing a comprehensive approach to DevOps-enabled cloud migration.

Another important gap is the limited empirical research on the real-world implementation of DevOps practices in cloud migration, particularly for large-scale legacy systems. Future research should focus on case studies across different sectors, as well as the development of scalable automation tools that can support the migration of complex applications to the cloud.

4. Methodology

4.1 Review Type and Scope

This paper employs a systematic literature review (SLR) methodology to synthesize existing research on the integration of DevOps practices into cloud migration strategies. The primary aim of this review is to explore how DevOps tools and practices—such as Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD), Infrastructure as Code (IaC), containerization, and microservices—have been utilized to facilitate the migration of applications and systems to cloud environments. The review specifically focuses on studies published from 2015 to 2022, encompassing academic journals, conference proceedings, and industry reports. This time frame was selected to ensure the inclusion of the most up-to-date research, as DevOps and cloud computing technologies have evolved significantly in recent years. The review covers various industry sectors, including finance, healthcare, manufacturing, and government, to provide a broad understanding of how DevOps practices have been applied across different cloud migration scenarios.

4.2 Search Strategy

A comprehensive search was conducted to identify relevant studies for inclusion in the review. The search was carried out in multiple academic databases to ensure a broad and diverse set of sources. The databases used include:

- Scopus
- IEEE Xplore
- Google Scholar
- ACM Digital Library
- SpringerLink

The following search terms and keywords were used in various combinations:

- “cloud migration”
- “DevOps”
- “CI/CD”
- “Infrastructure as Code”
- “containerization”
- “Micro-services”
- “cloud migration challenges”
- “DevOps integration in cloud migration”
- “multi-cloud migration”
- “cloud migration security”
- “automation in cloud migration”

The search was performed by reviewing the titles, abstracts, and keywords of each study. In addition, the reference lists of selected papers were manually examined to ensure that no key publications were overlooked.

4.3 Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

The studies included in this review were selected based on the following inclusion criteria:

- Publication Date: Studies published between 2015 and 2022 to capture the most recent advancements in cloud migration and DevOps.
- Language: Studies published in English.
- Relevance: Studies that directly discuss cloud migration, DevOps practices, or the integration of DevOps into cloud migration processes.
- Study Type: Peer-reviewed journal articles, conference papers, and reputable industry reports, including both empirical studies (case studies, surveys) and conceptual research (frameworks, models).
- Sector Focus: Papers addressing cloud migration in various sectors, including healthcare, finance, retail, and government.

The exclusion criteria were as follows:

- Studies published before 2015, as they may not reflect current practices or technologies.
- Papers that focus solely on either cloud migration or DevOps, without discussing their integration.
- Studies that are not peer-reviewed, such as blogs or white papers.
- Research that lacks empirical or case study data and is purely theoretical without practical application.

4.4 Data Extraction and Analysis

For each study that met the inclusion criteria, the following data points were extracted:

- Authors and Year of Publication
- Study Type: (e.g., empirical research, case study, theoretical framework, systematic review)
- Research Focus: (e.g., DevOps practices in cloud migration, multi-cloud strategies, migration challenges)
- Methodology: (e.g., qualitative, quantitative, mixed-methods, systematic review)
- Key Findings: (e.g., benefits of CI/CD in cloud migration, role of containerization in reducing deployment time)

- Conclusions: (e.g., how DevOps improves cloud migration, gaps in current research)
- Industry Sector: (e.g., finance, healthcare, manufacturing, government)

The data extraction process involved reviewing the full text of each paper and cataloging the relevant findings into a structured table, which allows for easy comparison of the results across studies. This table served as the foundation for the synthesis and analysis presented in the next section of the paper.

4.5 Critical Appraisal and Synthesis

After data extraction, the next step was the critical appraisal of each study to assess the quality and rigor of the research. Studies were evaluated based on:

- Methodological Rigor: Whether the study employed appropriate research methods for answering the research questions (e.g., clear research design, valid data collection methods).
- Relevance and Applicability: How applicable the study's findings are to large-scale cloud migration efforts across various sectors.
- Consistency of Findings: Whether the study's conclusions align with the findings of other research in the field or contradict previous studies.
- Limitations: Whether the study's limitations were clearly identified and discussed by the authors.
- Contribution to the Field: How the study advances understanding of the integration of DevOps practices in cloud migration.

The synthesis of the literature involved grouping studies into key themes based on their focus areas:

- DevOps practices in cloud migration (CI/CD, IaC, containerization, microservices)
- Challenges in cloud migration (security, cost, downtime)
- Case studies of DevOps-driven cloud migration
- Security and risk management in cloud migration with DevOps
- Emerging trends and future directions in cloud migration and DevOps integration

4.6 Quality Assessment

To ensure that the studies included in this review met high-quality standards, a quality assessment was performed using the Critical Appraisal Skills Programme (CASP) checklist for systematic reviews. This checklist evaluates:

- Study Design: Whether the study's design aligns with its research objectives.
- Sampling Methodology: Whether the sample size and selection are appropriate for the

study's aims.
- Data Analysis: Whether the data analysis methods were transparent and suitable for the type of study.
- Results: Whether the study's results were clearly presented and discussed in the context of existing literature.
- Limitations: Whether the study's limitations were addressed.

Studies that did not meet the quality standards were excluded from the review to maintain the integrity of the synthesis process.

4.7 Summary of Methodology

The methodology followed in this review involves a systematic, structured approach to identifying, selecting, and critically analyzing the literature on the integration of DevOps in cloud migration. By focusing on studies published between 2015 and 2022, the review aims to provide a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of how DevOps practices can improve cloud migration efforts. The insights gained from this review are intended to provide guidance for both academic researchers and industry practitioners seeking to understand and implement DevOps-driven cloud migration strategies.

5. Finding & Discussion

5.1 DevOps Pipelines as Enablers

One of the most dominant themes throughout the literature reviewed is the role of DevOps pipelines as a critical enabler in cloud migration. Various authors have emphasized how DevOps practices streamline and optimize the migration process, particularly in terms of automating workflows, improving deployment speed, and enhancing security.Mukherjee and Mphasis (2022) explore how DevOps pipelines incorporated into cloud-mobility models establish a codified system for designing and executing deployment processes. Their work discusses the significant stagnations and inefficiencies that occur in migration projects due to disjointed workflows, medialized work, and expensive, unproductive labor. By integrating DevOps pipelines, they argue, organizations can significantly reduce migration bottlenecks and streamline deployment activities, ensuring better performance and compliance with cloud environments.

Similarly, Joshi and Fiserv (2021) support the idea that DevOps practices enable agility in cloud-native architecture. In their case study, they quantitatively measured the impact of DevOps on migration performance, showing impressive metrics: weekly deployments decreased by 400% (from multiple weeks to daily deployments), lead time dropped by 86%, and the change failure rate reduced by 75%. Moreover, operational costs were reduced by 51%, while resource utilization was optimized, demonstrating the significant cost-effectiveness and performance enhancement facilitated by DevOps integration in cloud migration.Additionally, Kyadasu et al. (2022) investigate the automation of cloud migration using tools like Terraform, Jenkins, and Ansible in multi-cloud environments (AWS and Azure). Their study shows that Infrastructure as

Code (IaC), combined with automated testing and containerization, can help organizations efficiently handle the complexity of migrating workloads between cloud providers. The authors highlight the importance of compatibility and standardization across clouds, stressing that IaC tools are crucial for maintaining consistency and ensuring successful migration between multi-cloud platforms.

Furthermore, Islavath (2020) discusses the multi-stage nature of cloud migration and the inherent difficulties in migrating mainframe systems to the cloud. They argue that DevOps practices, particularly CI/CD, can help mitigate architectural limitations and time deficiencies. By orchestrating DevOps processes, organizations can reduce the risks and speed up the migration process, especially when dealing with mission-critical workloads.

5.2 Database and Application Modernization

The migration of large databases is frequently cited as one of the most challenging tasks in cloud adoption. Kansara (2022) divides the database migration process into seven phases, from assessment and planning to optimization. The study emphasizes that common issues, such as incompatibility in data models and the bandwidth limitations of cloud services, must be carefully managed to prevent performance degradation during migration. Advanced techniques like parallel data loading, zero-downtime updates, and automated testing can help minimize migration risks and ensure data integrity during the transition.Oloruntoba and Omolayo (2022) explore the migration from Oracle to PostgreSQL, demonstrating that migrating to open-source databases can significantly reduce costs and promote innovation. Their study highlights how PostgreSQL offers a lower total cost of ownership (TCO) and enhanced flexibility compared to proprietary systems like Oracle, making it an attractive option for organizations seeking to reduce licensing fees while maintaining robust database performance.

Similarly, Vutti (2022) compares Big Data systems deployed on on-premises data warehouses with those on cloud-based data warehouses. The study argues that cloud migration offers high availability, disaster recovery, and cost savings. It also points out that cloud-based data warehouses facilitate better scalability and resource utilization, especially when combined with container orchestration technologies like Kubernetes, which ensure smooth data migration and integration.

Sector-Specific Cloud Migration

Cloud migration models often differ significantly depending on the sector and requirements of the organization. For example, Johnson et al. (2022) focus on the financial sector, arguing that cloud migration enables financial institutions to achieve better agility, scalability, and cost efficiency. Their case study emphasizes the operational efficiencies gained through automated monitoring and the use of rightsizing strategies to optimize cloud resources.

In the healthcare sector, Somayajula (2021) highlights the impact of multi-stage migration approaches on improving cloud security. Their study found that using enhanced encryption techniques during migration resulted in zero security incidents across 45 healthcare migration projects. Automated migration processes were also shown to significantly reduce operational costs and time needed for migration tasks. Moreover, Shankeshi (2021) discusses the use of DevOps practices in deploying Oracle databases and the challenges associated with integrating IaC tools like Terraform and Liquibase in cloud environments. The study shows that IaC tools can reduce migration errors by 75%, especially when dealing with database migration, which is often the most complex aspect of cloud migration.

Testing in Hybrid Environments

As organizations increasingly adopt hybrid and multi-cloud strategies, ensuring consistent security and quality in DevOps pipelines becomes more challenging. Emmanni and Gollapudi and Subbian provide insights into hybrid cloud environments, where the use of AI and DevOps tools such as Selenium, Jenkins, and GitHub Actions helps enhance the reliability and security of cloud migrations. Their findings suggest that AI-based testing can significantly reduce the time spent on manual testing and enhance the efficiency of migration efforts, particularly in complex hybrid cloud environments.Buttar et al. and Sriraman and R argue that AI-based DevOps processes are essential to meet the agility expectations of modern business sectors, such as the Internet of Things (IoT) and edge computing. By incorporating robotic process automation (RPA) and AI into DevOps pipelines, organizations can further optimize cloud migration processes, reducing migration costs while ensuring business continuity.

Discussions

The findings of this review suggest that the integration of DevOps practices into cloud migration is transformative for organizations seeking to modernize their IT infrastructure. The use of CI/CD, IaC, containerization, and microservices not only improves the speed and efficiency of migration but also ensures better system reliability and security. However, the research also highlights several challenges, including cultural resistance, the need for integrated tooling solutions, and the complexity of managing multi-cloud or hybrid cloud environments.Case studies from various industries, such as finance, healthcare, and manufacturing, demonstrate the tangible benefits of adopting DevOps in cloud migration projects, including cost savings, improved performance, and reduced downtime. The empirical evidence strongly supports the hypothesis that DevOps practices are crucial in overcoming migration obstacles and achieving more agile, secure, and efficient cloud migrations. However, it is clear that further research is needed to address existing gaps in the literature, particularly in developing standardized frameworks for DevOps-driven cloud migrations and exploring security frameworks that specifically cater to hybrid cloud environments.

7. Conclusion

TheCloud migration has become an essential pathway for organizations seeking scalability, resilience, and operational efficiency in the modern digital environment. This review shows that integrating DevOps practices—such as CI/CD pipelines, Infrastructure as Code, containerization, microservices, and automation—significantly enhances the effectiveness of cloud migration initiatives. Across the literature, DevOps consistently emerges as a strong enabler, improving deployment speed, reducing system downtime, and enhancing the reliability and security of migrated workloads. Case studies from diverse sectors, including finance, healthcare, education, and large enterprises, provide clear evidence that DevOps not only accelerates migration but also strengthens long-term cloud performance and cost efficiency. Despite these advantages, several challenges remain. Organizations often struggle with cultural resistance, skills gaps, and fragmented toolchains when integrating DevOps into migration workflows. Migration of legacy databases, regulatory constraints, and security risks in hybrid and multi-cloud environments continue to present significant obstacles. While DevSecOps offers promising solutions, the literature indicates that security automation is still evolving and requires further refinement. Overall, the findings confirm that DevOps-driven cloud migration delivers tangible and measurable benefits, enabling organizations to modernize legacy systems, improve operational agility, and streamline cloud adoption. DevOps does more than support the migration itself—it establishes a foundation for continuous improvement, optimized cloud operations, and sustained innovation. As cloud usage continues to expand globally, the ability to effectively integrate DevOps into migration strategies will remain a critical factor in achieving successful, secure, and efficient digital transformation.

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