Drift

an imperative programming environment for the cloud #2 Implementation

Overview

- Drift Language
 - Concepts
 - Examples

- Drift Execution
 - Drift FS
 - Architecture
 - Error Model

Recap

- Want: 'language of the system'
- Workflow languages one possible domain
 - black box tasks, ...
- Bash: system-view coordination
 - black box tasks, immediate feedback, ...
 - Problem: FS → shared mutable state
- Functional Distributed
 - Cuneiform: functional, distributed, ...

Recap

Bash	Functional
&	- (lazy)
	function composition
>, >>	name binding
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\$	eval

Drift Language

Can we build an *imperative*, *stateful*, *interpreted* language for distributed (micro) service coordination?

- Need 'state' to be stateful on
- Essence: data + services

- "Do this on that thing over here."
- "Now do this on that and put it over there"

Drift Language

- How do we (humans) 'interact' with data?
 - → need 'names' to identify and retrieve our data
 - → need 'names' to give data *meaning*
- Names are at the center of programming!
 - → only names and services
- Names best be hierarchical → Namespaces
 - → Names, Namespaces and Services