

Infrastructure-as-Code with Pulumi

Better than all the others (like Ansible)?

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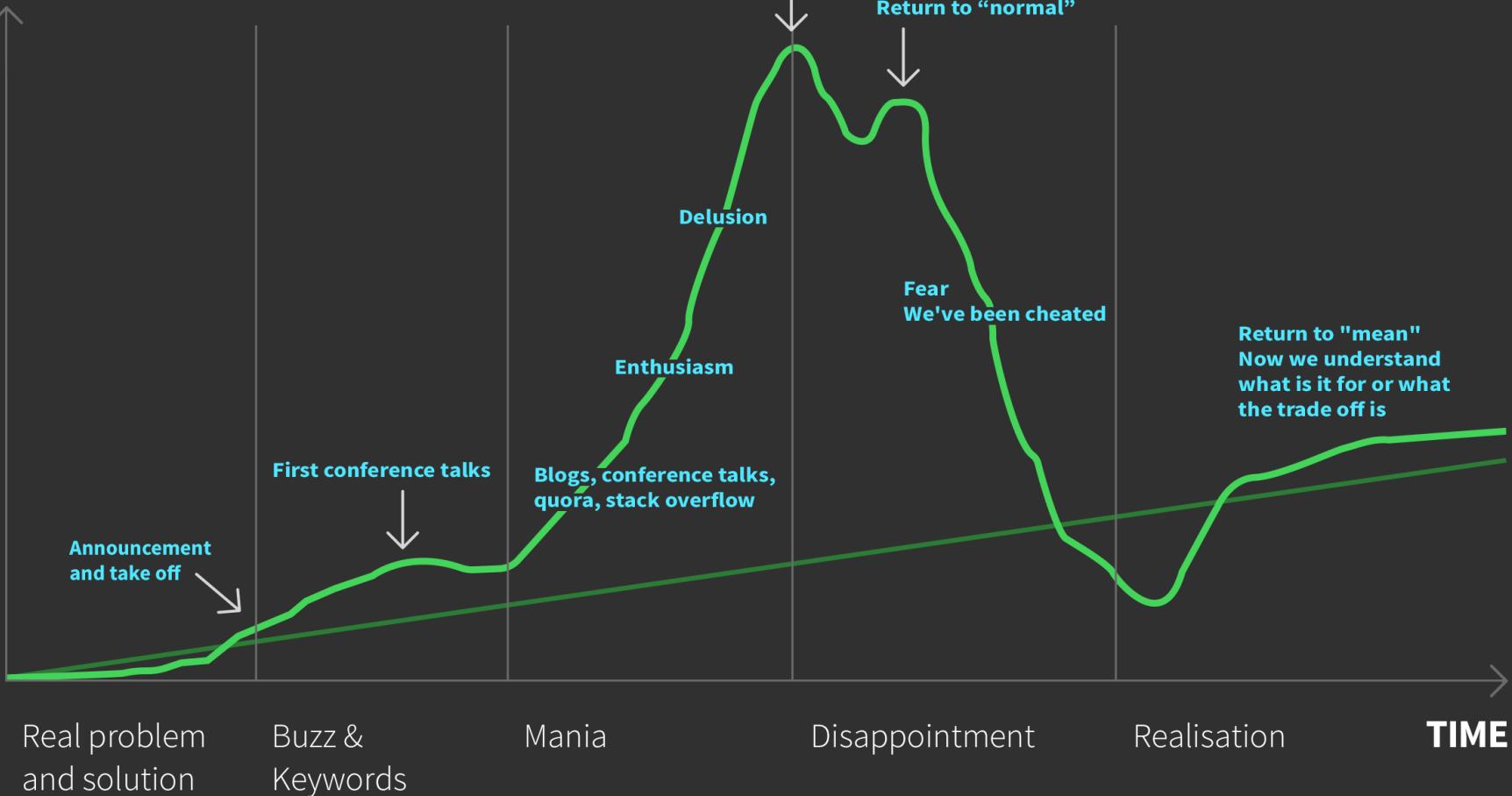
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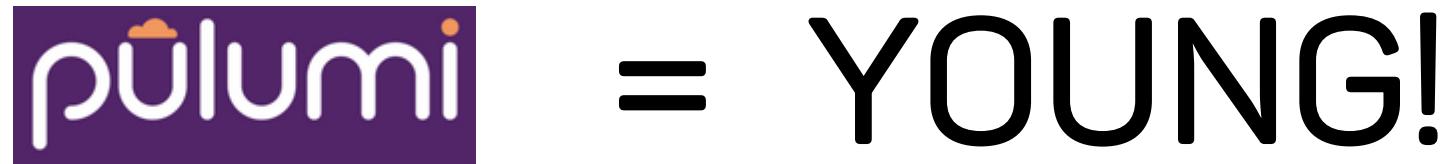
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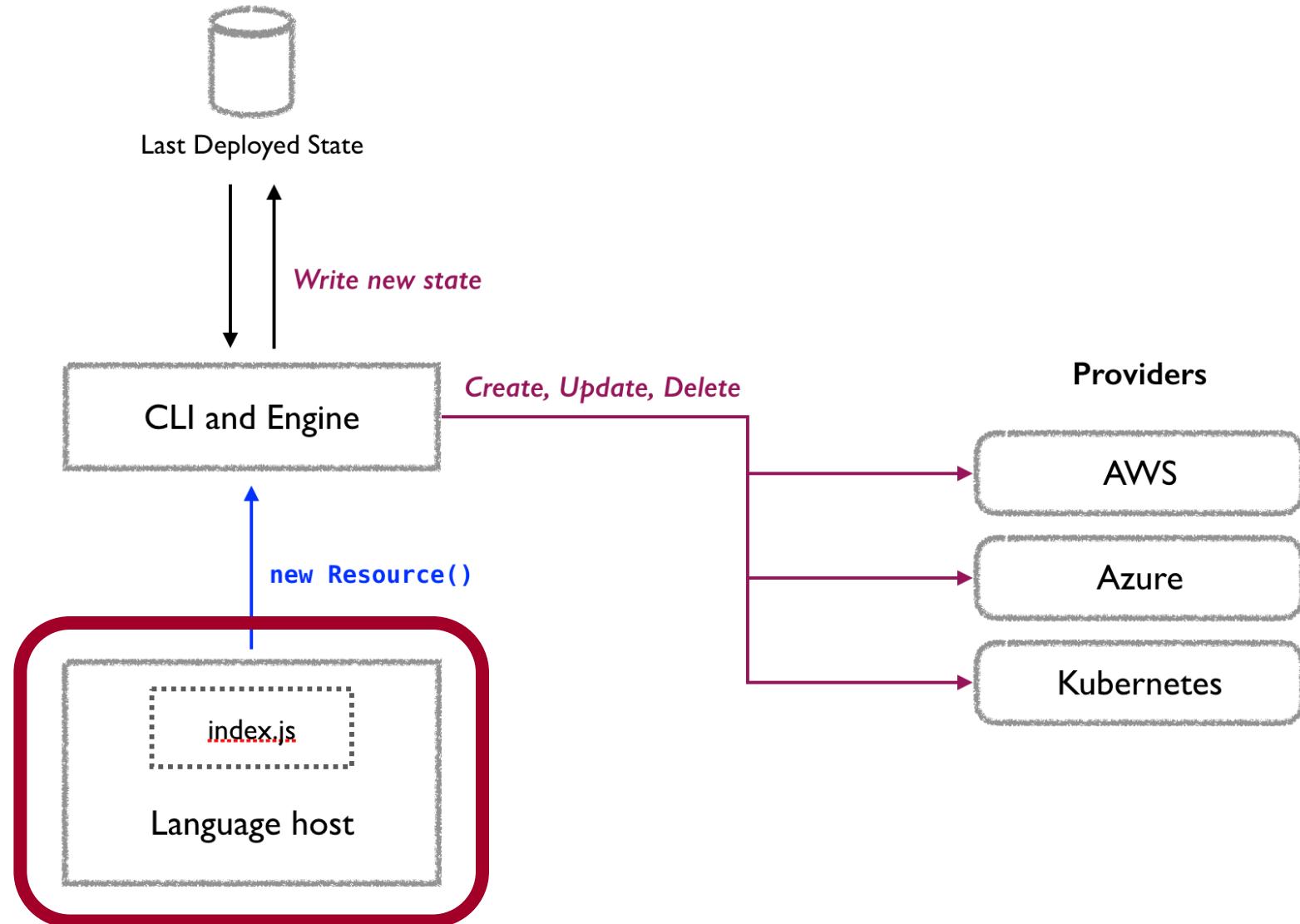


Pulumi?



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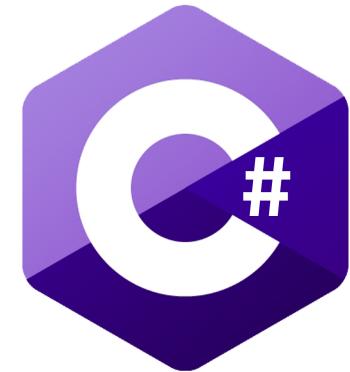
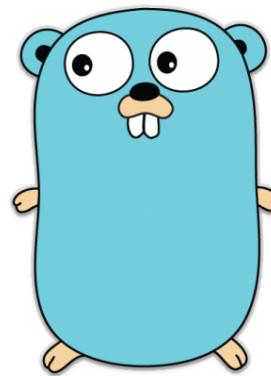
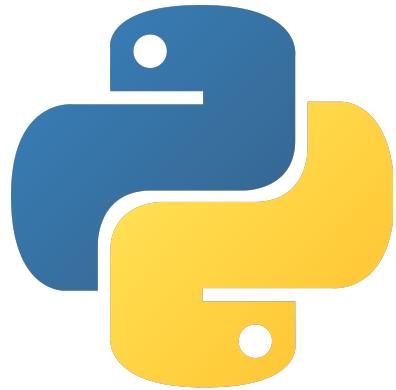
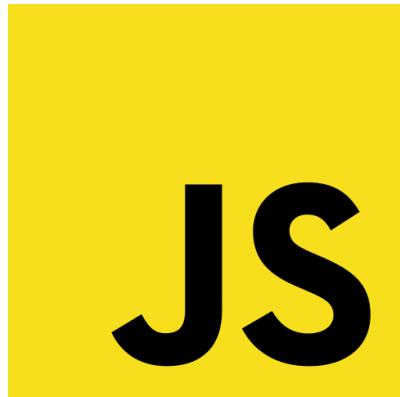
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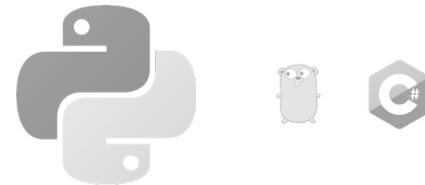
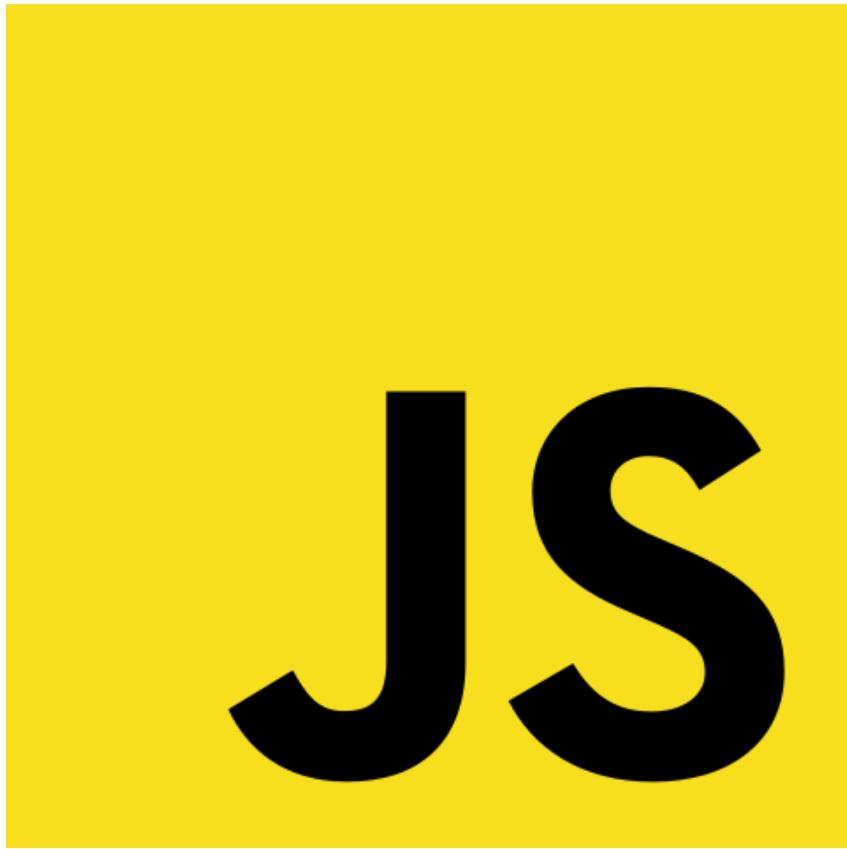
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Pulumi is language agnostic to support multiple programming languages at the same time

pulumi.com/docs/intro/languages



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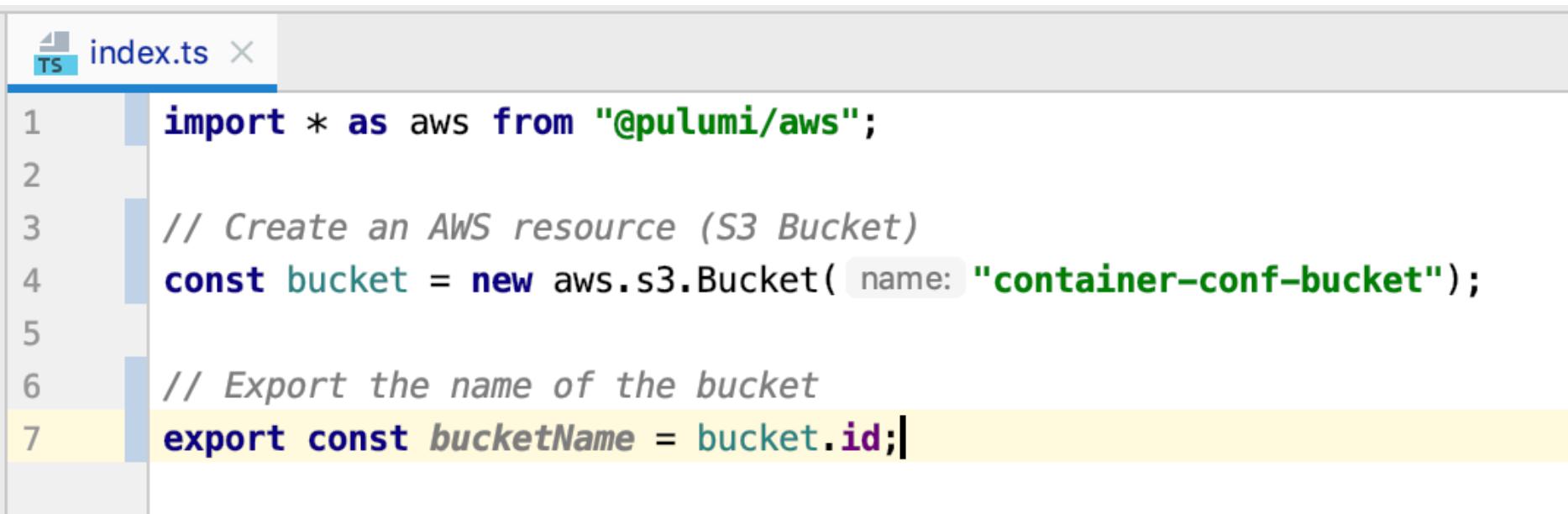
API reference: pulumi.com/docs/reference/pkg

Examples: github.com/pulumi/examples

 .gitignore	
 .travis.yml	
 LICENSE	
 Pulumi.dev.yaml	Pulumi Stack definition
 Pulumi.yaml	Pulumi Project config
 README.md	
 index.ts	Pulumi Program (TypeScript)
 package-lock.json	
 package.json	Node.js Package Management
 renovate.json	
 tsconfig.json	TypeScript config

github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-typescript-aws-fargate

Pulumi program example



The screenshot shows a code editor window with a tab labeled "index.ts". The code itself is a Pulumi program:

```
1 import * as aws from "@pulumi/aws";
2
3 // Create an AWS resource (S3 Bucket)
4 const bucket = new aws.s3.Bucket({ name: "container-conf-bucket" });
5
6 // Export the name of the bucket
7 export const bucketName = bucket.id;
```

The code uses the `@pulumi/aws` package to create an S3 Bucket named "container-conf-bucket". It then exports the bucket's ID as `bucketName`. The code editor highlights the file type as "TS" and shows line numbers 1 through 7.

Create projects



```
~/dev > mkdir containerconf && cd containerconf  
~/dev/containerconf > pulumi new aws-typescript
```

Multicloud?



Google Cloud Platform



kubernetes

pulumi.com/docs/intro/cloud-providers

aws



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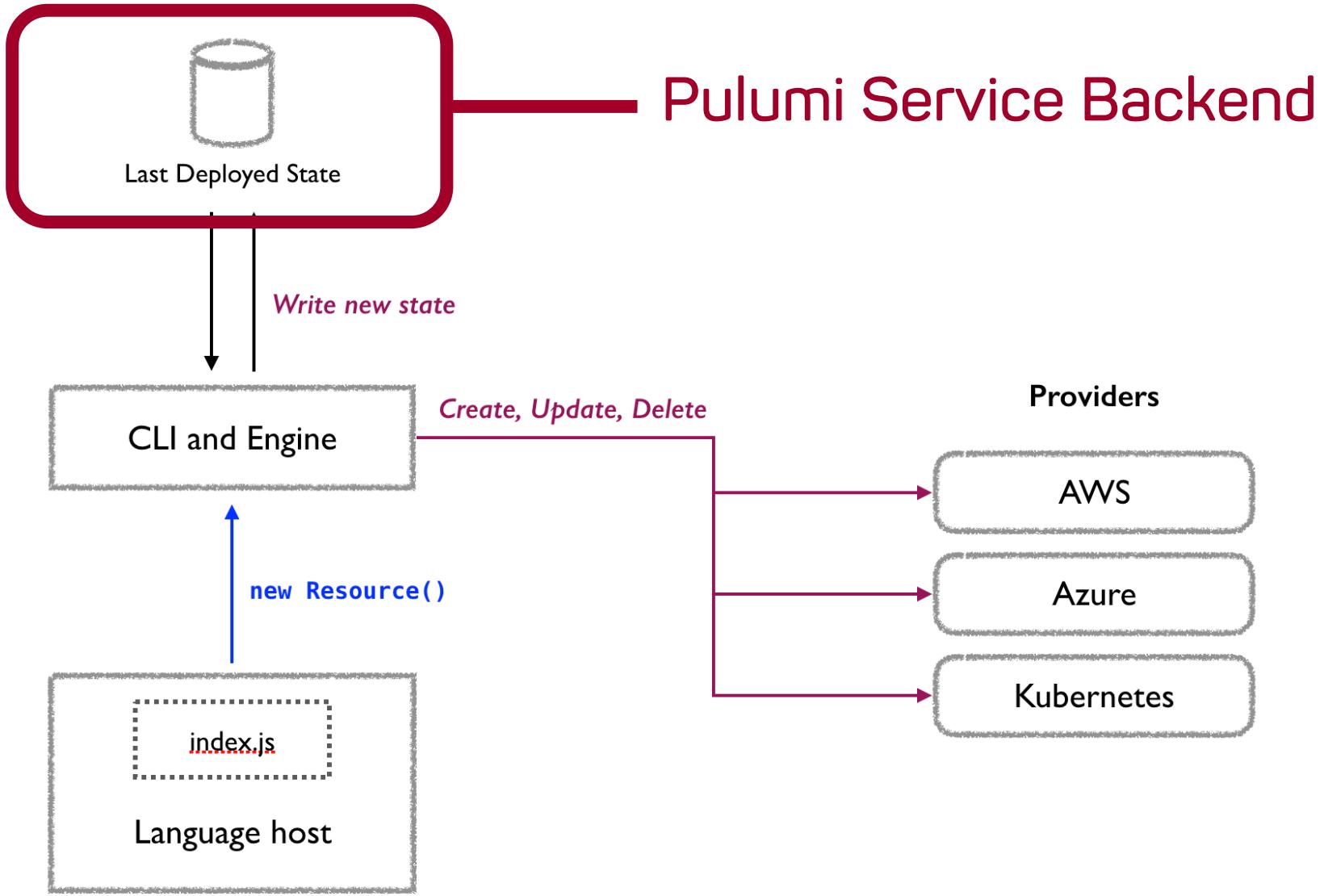


kubernetes

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State

State
is stored in the Pulumi
Service Backend



Service Backend options

- ▶ app.pulumi.com
- ▶ Self-managed backend
- ▶ on-premise app.pulumi.com
(Enterprise version only)

pulumi.com/docs/intro/concepts/state/

A **Stack** defines the **State**
of a Pulumi project

Example: app.pulumi.com/jonashackt

.gitignore

.travis.yml

LICENSE

Pulumi.dev.yaml

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README.md

index.ts

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```
YML config:
  aws:region: eu-central-1
  pulumi-example-aws-python:dbPassword:
    secure: AAABAGRrYHRPA4g1SBcTC4iUea203KcLx3l+pBpY11PFtueLCUE=
```

Pulumi.YourStackName.yaml

Resource Providers
aka
„Terraform Wrappers“

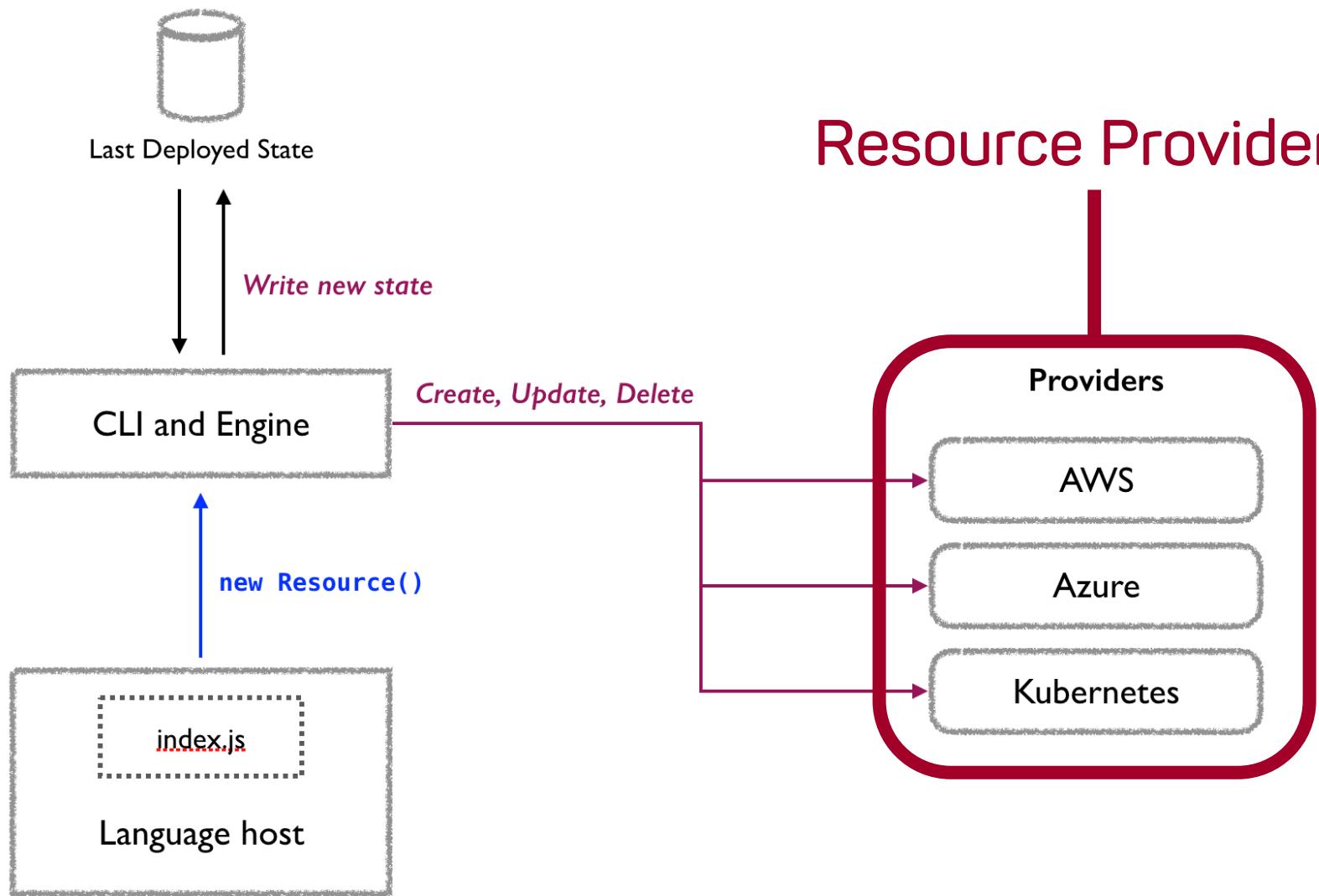
[Docs](#) / [Reference](#) / [API](#) / [@pulumi/aws](#) / [elasticsearch](#)

Module elasticsearch

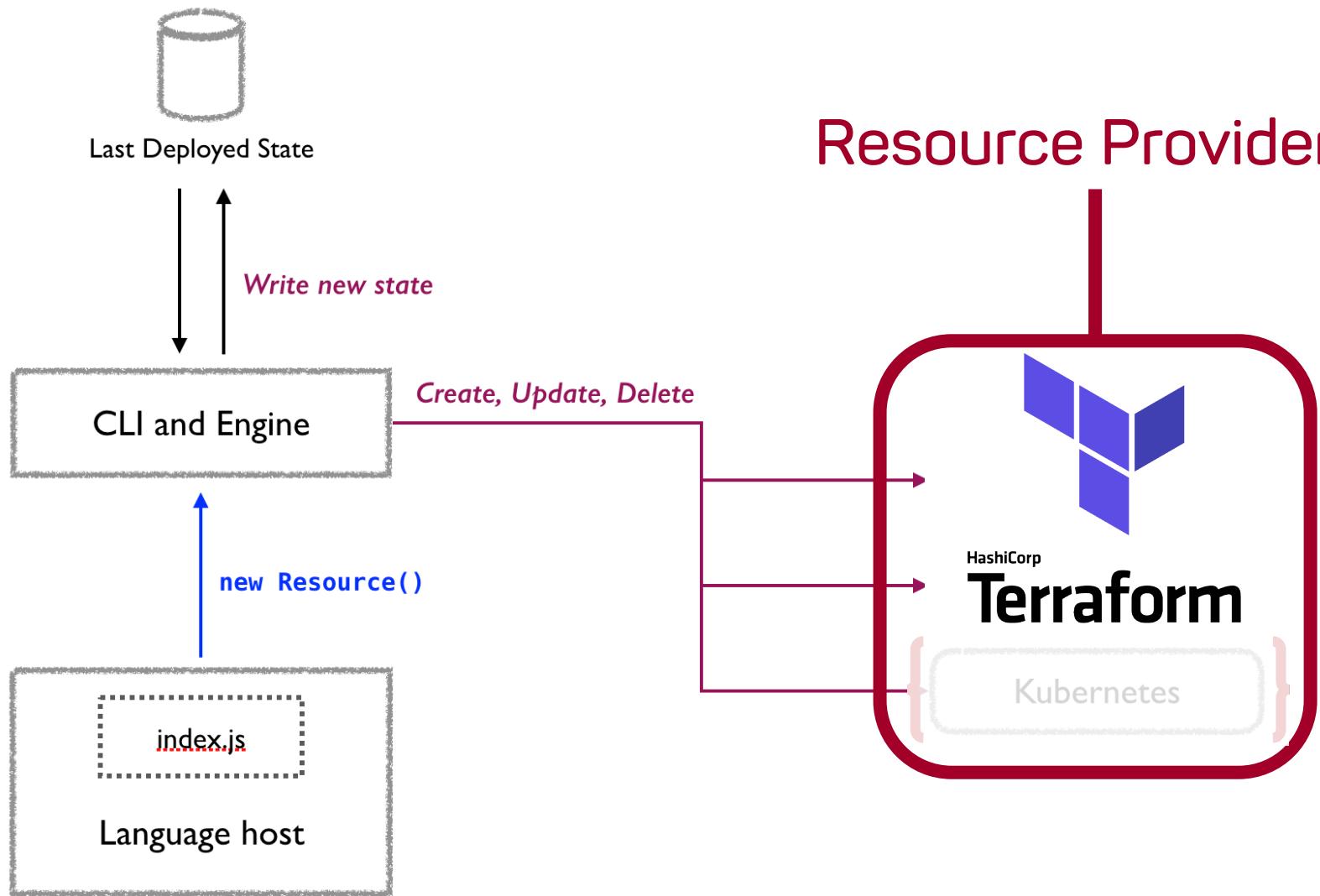
This provider is a derived work of the [Terraform Provider](#) distributed under [MPL 2.0](#). If you encounter a bug or missing feature, first check the [pulumi/pulumi-aws](#) repo; however, if that doesn't turn up anything, please consult the source [terraform-providers/terraform-provider-aws](#) repo.



Resource Providers



Resource Providers





= „Terraform
Wrapper“

2019! (except Kubernetes provider)

pulumi.com/docs/intro/vs/terraform/#converting-from-terraform

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Backlog

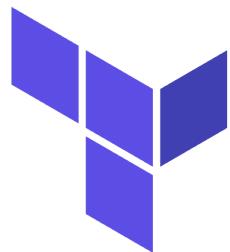
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github.com/pulumi/pulumi/wiki/Roadmap

Pulumi vs. X



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ANSIBLE



CloudFormation



vs.



1. Academic comparison
2. Handle configuration drift
3. Current state of my infrastructure?
4. Tools shouldn't suck! (no master!, no agents!)
5. Able to do the job! (all major Clouds & on-premise)

1. Academic comparison

Configuration Management

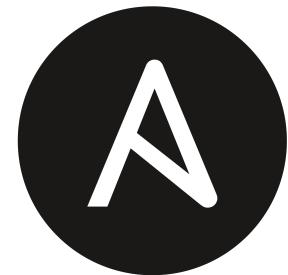


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Provisioning



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Pulumi is fundamentally different
than these tools and works great
alongside them

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Provisioning



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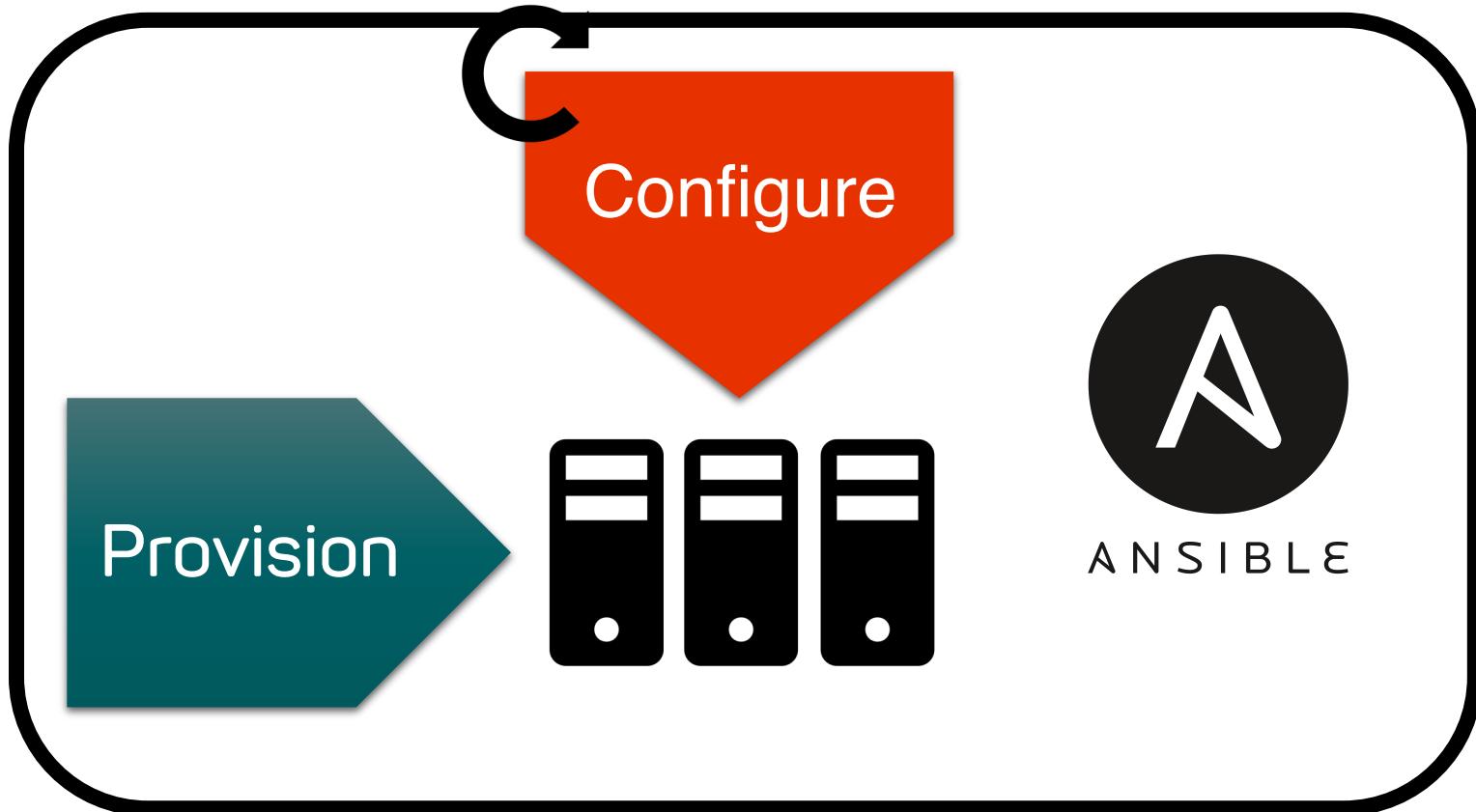
2. How do they handle configuration drift?

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the state of the machine
drifts from the baseline due to
manual changes and updates

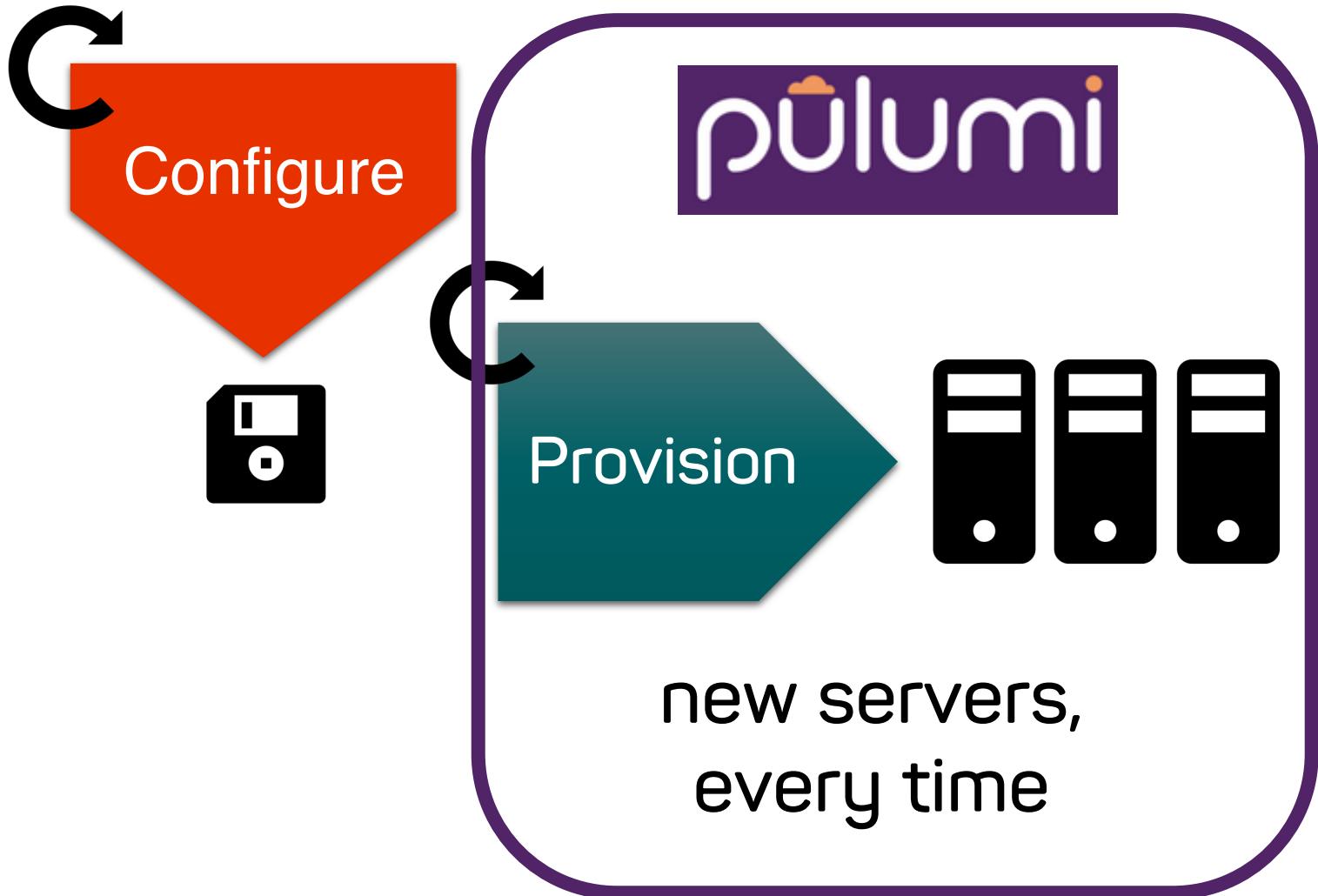
shadow-soft.com/ansible-idempotency-configuration-drift

Mutable Infrastructure



same servers,
changed every time

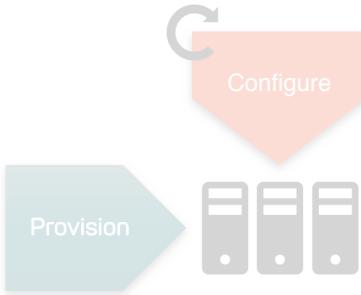
Immutable Infrastructure



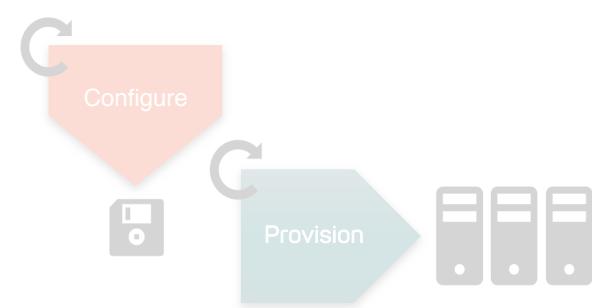
What if we don't allow „manual changes“?

Use software engineering practices
like
Continuous Integration
for your infrastructure code!

Mutable Infrastructure



Immutable Infrastructure



Running our Infrastructure code in CI/CD pipelines, this comparison become less relevant!

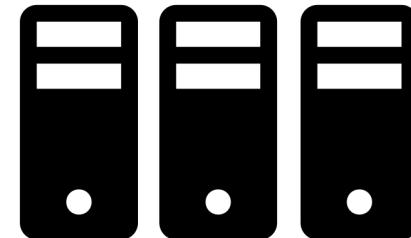


Demo time!

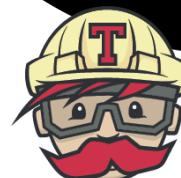
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Provision

Configure



Test



Travis CI

github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-python-aws-ansible

3. Current state of my infrastructure?

There's this 3rd comparison called Procedural vs.
Declarative...

But remember the
Continuous Integration
thingy?

4. Tools shouldn't suck

(no master!, no agents!)

master

- central place to see status of your infrastructure
- continuously enforce configuration in the background
- extra infrastructure!
- needs to be maintained
- client-2-master & master-2-servers communication needs ports & security

no master

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Remember the
Continuous Integration
Thingy again?

master



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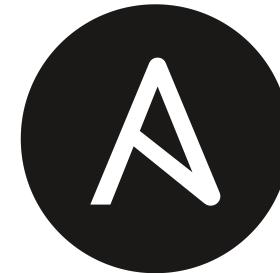
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Agent needs to be
installed on the
server



No Agent
needed



5. Able to do the job!

(all major Clouds & on-premise)



ANSIBLE





Ansible
5K Stacks



Terraform
2.3K Stacks



Pulumi
22 Stacks



Stacks
5K

Followers
3.6K

Votes
1.2K

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Followers
1.5K

Votes
253

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22

Followers
28

Votes
2



484



1.3K



11.8K



153



103



3.8K



49



40.1K



17.3K



1h



19.4K



5.2K



1d



3.9K



200



7h

stackshare.io/stackups/ansible-vs-terraform-vs-pulumi

💪 google.com 😢

💪 stackoverflow.com 😢

💪 documentation 😢

💪 blog & articles count 😢

💪 community size 😢

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💪 Both config mgt. &
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⌚ 48,130 commits



👤 4,738 contributors

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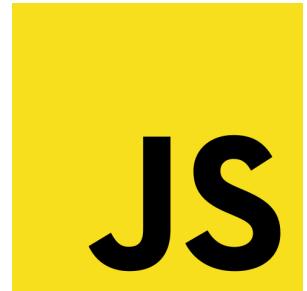
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One more thing...





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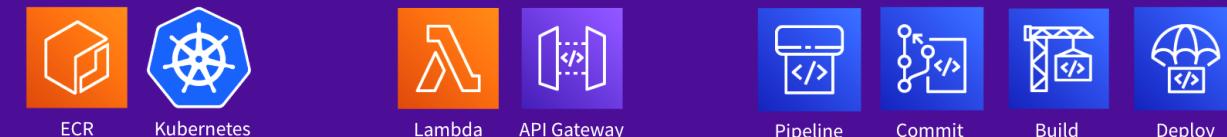
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Crosswalk for AWS supports “day one” tasks, such as creating your initial container-based workloads using ECS/Fargate/EKS & serverless workloads (API Gateway / Lambda)

pulumi.com/docs/guides/crosswalk/aws

APPLICATION DELIVERY

Go to production with containers and serverless.



Containers

Serverless

Continuous Delivery

INFRASTRUCTURE PATTERNS

Well-Architected infrastructure for modern applications.



Security

Networking

Clusters

Monitoring

FOUNDATION ALL OF AWS

Unopinionated infrastructure as code for all AWS resources and features.

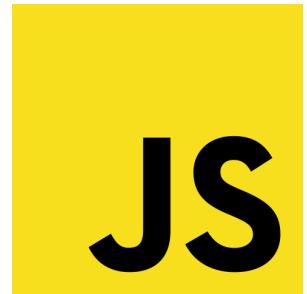


↑ PRODUCTIVITY
↓ CONTROL



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crosswalk

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App: github.com/jonashackt/spring-boot-vuejs

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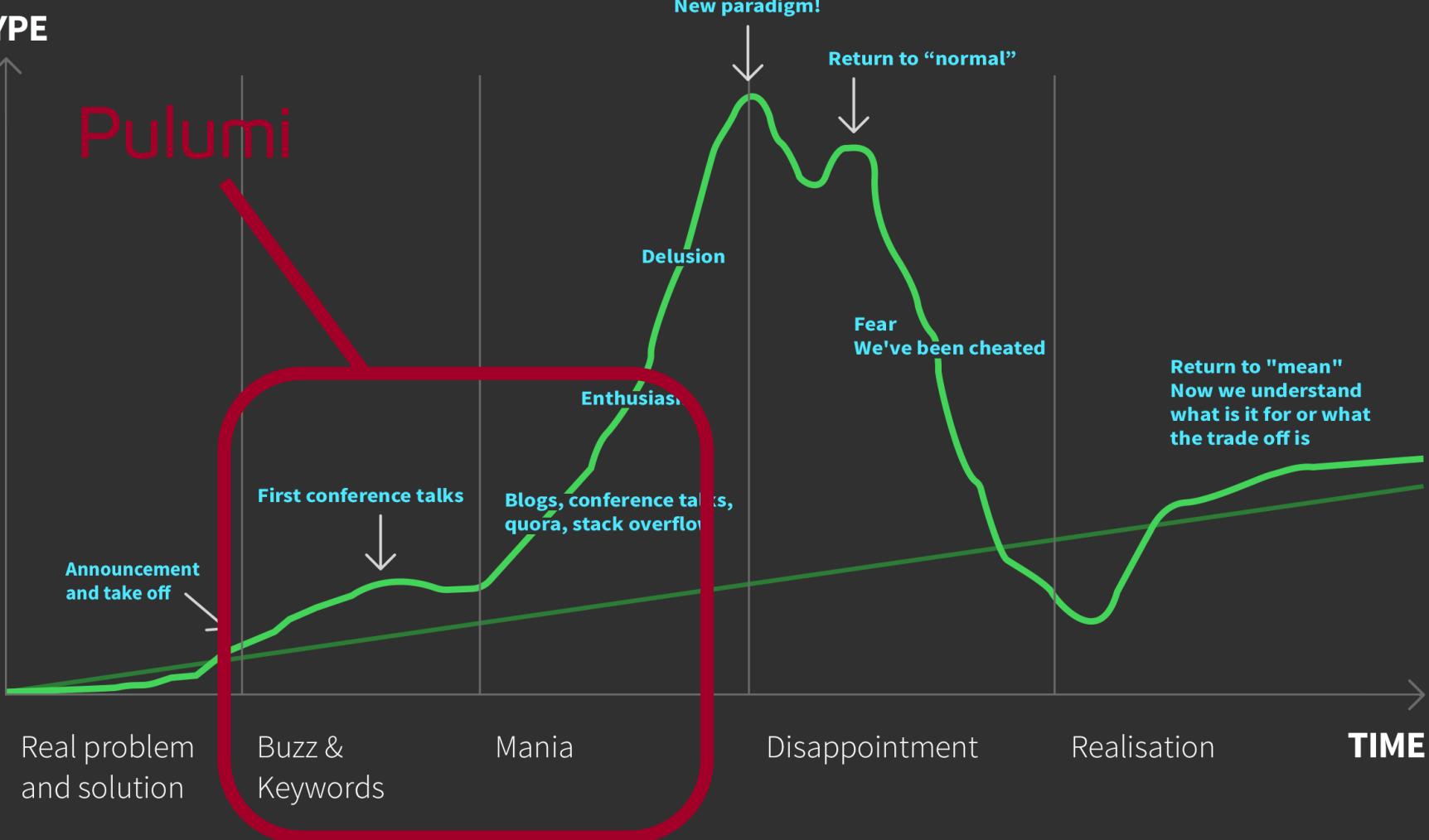
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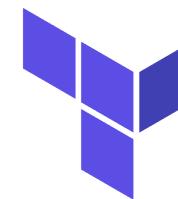
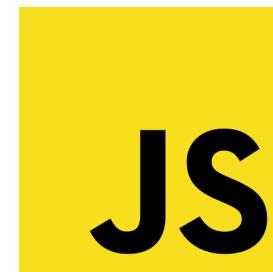
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Summary

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FOR AMAZON WEB SERVICES (AWS)



No matter what IaC tool you use...

Treat your infrastructure code
AS CODE!

Use Testframeworks – or even do TDD!

Run Tests automatically - in your
Continuous Integration Pipeline!

Run your infrastructure code frequently!
(scheduled CI jobs)

Always aim for reproducible builds (aka
dependency management)

Automatically update dependencies
(e.g. renovatebot)



github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-talk

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