



# Policy-as-Code for Infrastructure-as-Code

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### Policy as Code?



"An open source, general-purpose policy engine that unifies policy enforcement across the stack."

#### **Features:**

- Uses a declarative policy language, Rego
- Multiple deployment models sidecar, daemon, RESTful server, CLI
- Built-in policy testing framework
- Can compile policies to WASM modules for portability



(OPA, pronounced "oh-pa")

### Rego?

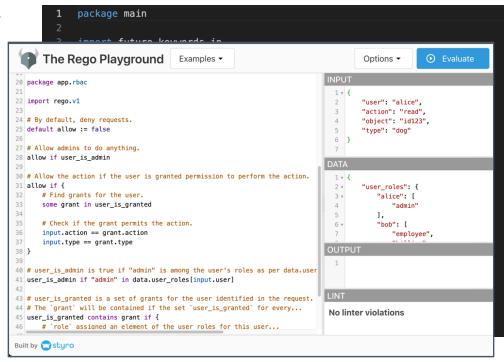


A purpose-built language for writing and evaluating declarative policy as code.

You write policies that the input under evaluation should match

If at any point there is a mismatch, the data fails the policy

Rego Playground has useful examples



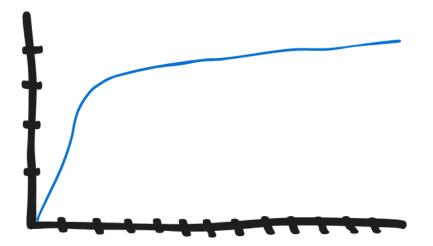
Is it **really** worth learning yet another language?





#### Yes! Especially when that language fits the purpose

- Difficulty is in the initial core concepts
- Declarative not procedural
- How iterators are handled.



```
variable "availability_zones" {
 description = "A list of availability zones in
 type = list(string)
provider "aws" {
 region = var.aws_region
resource "aws vpc" "main" {
 cidr_block = var.base_cidr_block
```

## Story time!



#### Introducing...



## OpenGarlic!

My (fictional) open-source library that:

- Solves all of the problems you can think of
- Plus three other things
- Is not real at all

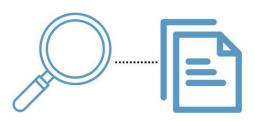
I need some GitHub repos...

I'll use OpenTofu with an automation pipeline!





## Stage 1



## Inspect OpenTofu config files using **Conftest**:

- Each repo has a default branch
- Branch protection is enabled
- Each repo has an admin team
- Archive-on-delete is set for each repo

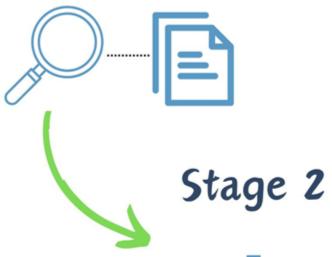


## Testing my OpenTofu files

```
$ conftest test main.tf \
    --policy rego/repos.rego
```



## Stage 1





Nothing should be deleted.

**EVER!** 



## Fetching the plan as JSON

```
$ tofu show -json plan | \
    opa exec \
    --stdin-input \
    --bundle rego \
    --decision delete prevention/deny
```









(and ask for contributors)

Stage 3









## **Exporting state via NodeJS script**

```
$ tofu show -json | \
    node state-export
```

## But then!



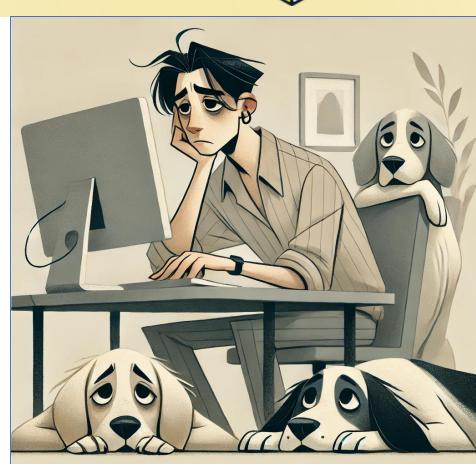
#### **Burnout!**



- Issues are piling up
- Contributors are hard to come by
- Constant dependency upgrades/patches
- Still have a day job

## I need a break!

Can someone take over?





Ringo Ziburat



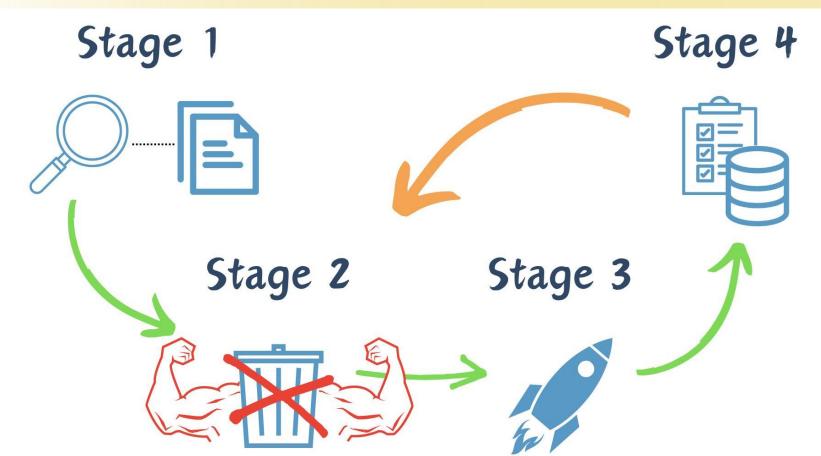
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## The new maintainers!





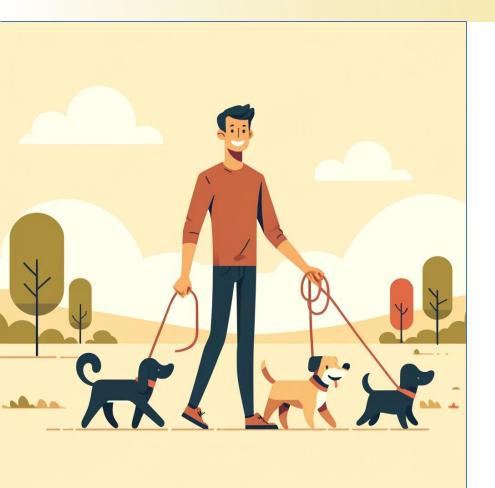


## Fetching external data in my Rego code

```
send http request(url) = http.send({
    "url": url,
    "method": "GET"
ok to delete := addresses if {
    res := send http request("http://foo.bar/resources")
    # compare planned deletions
    # to list of resources marked for deletion
```

#### The End





The code used in this demo





Let's connect, I'm friendly!

My videos on code and cloud



## Questions?

