

Using AWS for Remote State



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Overview



Terraform remote state

AWS for remote state

Migrating the current state



Terraform State Data



State is local by default

Safeguard the state data

Enable team collaboration

Multiple supported backends

Standard and enhanced

Special features

- Locking
- Workspaces

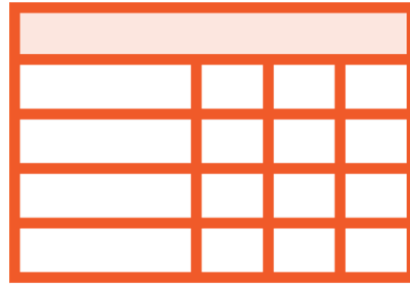
AWS Storage for Remote State



Simple Storage
Service (S3)



Supports workspaces



DynamoDB



Granular control



Supports locking



Supports encryption

Authentication Methods

Instance profile

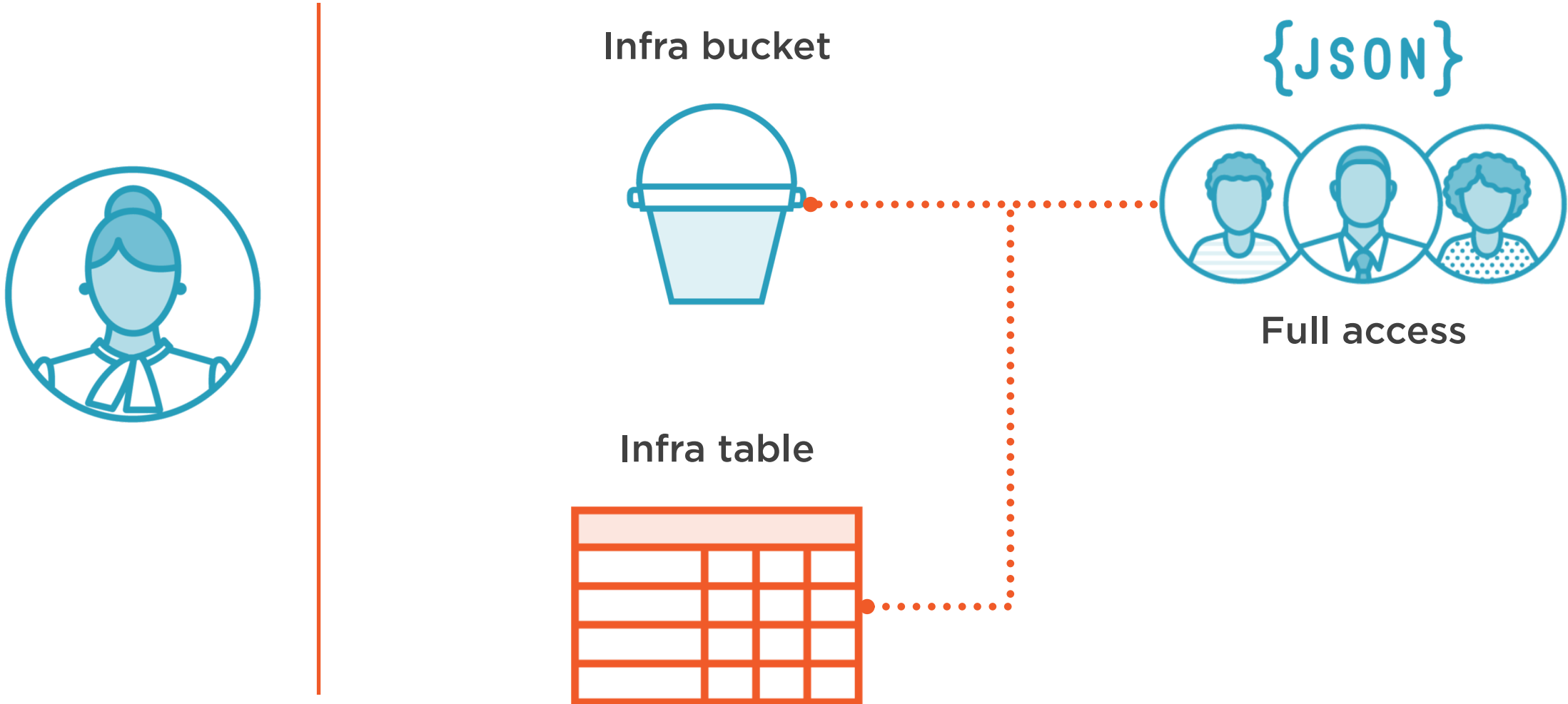
Access & secret keys

Credentials file & profile

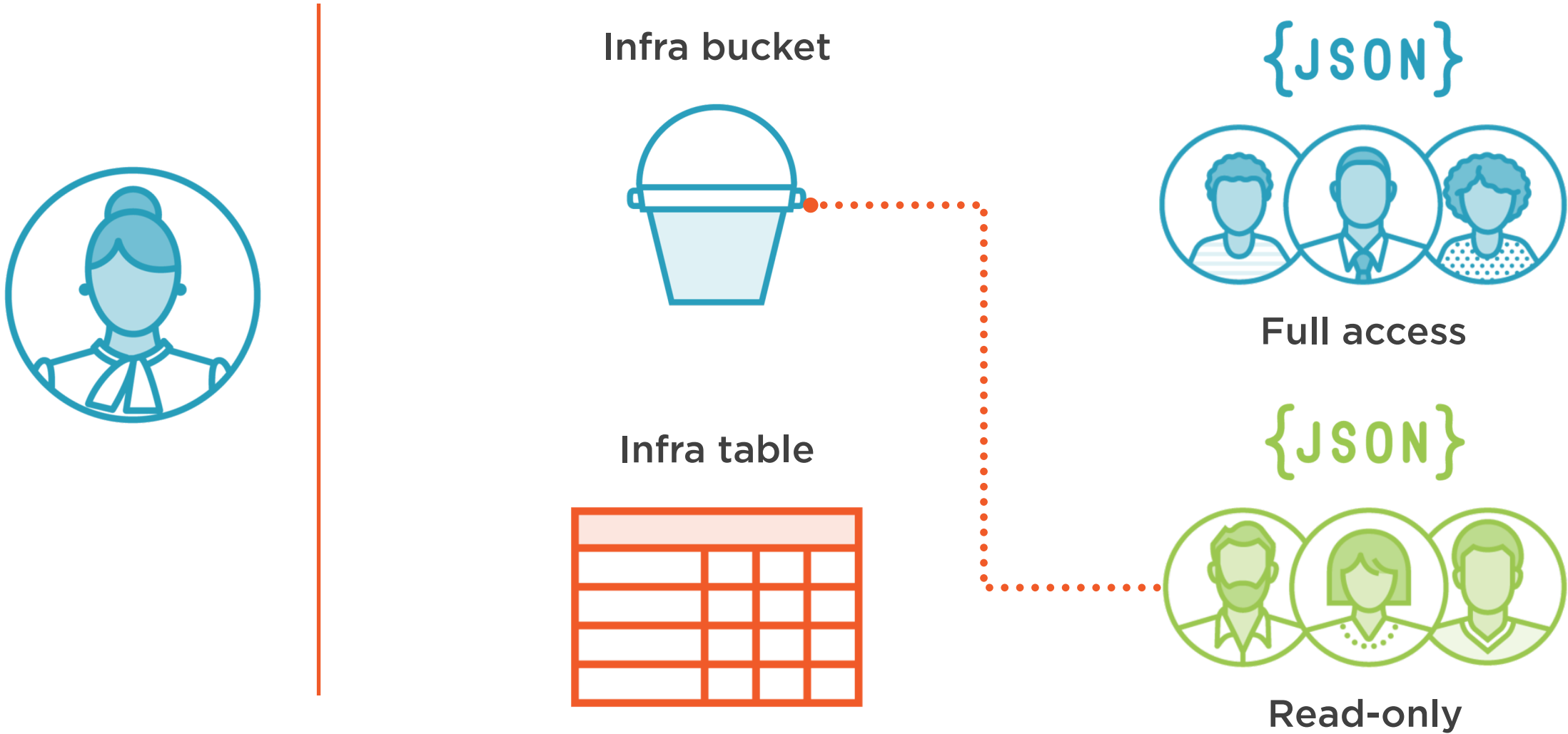
Session token



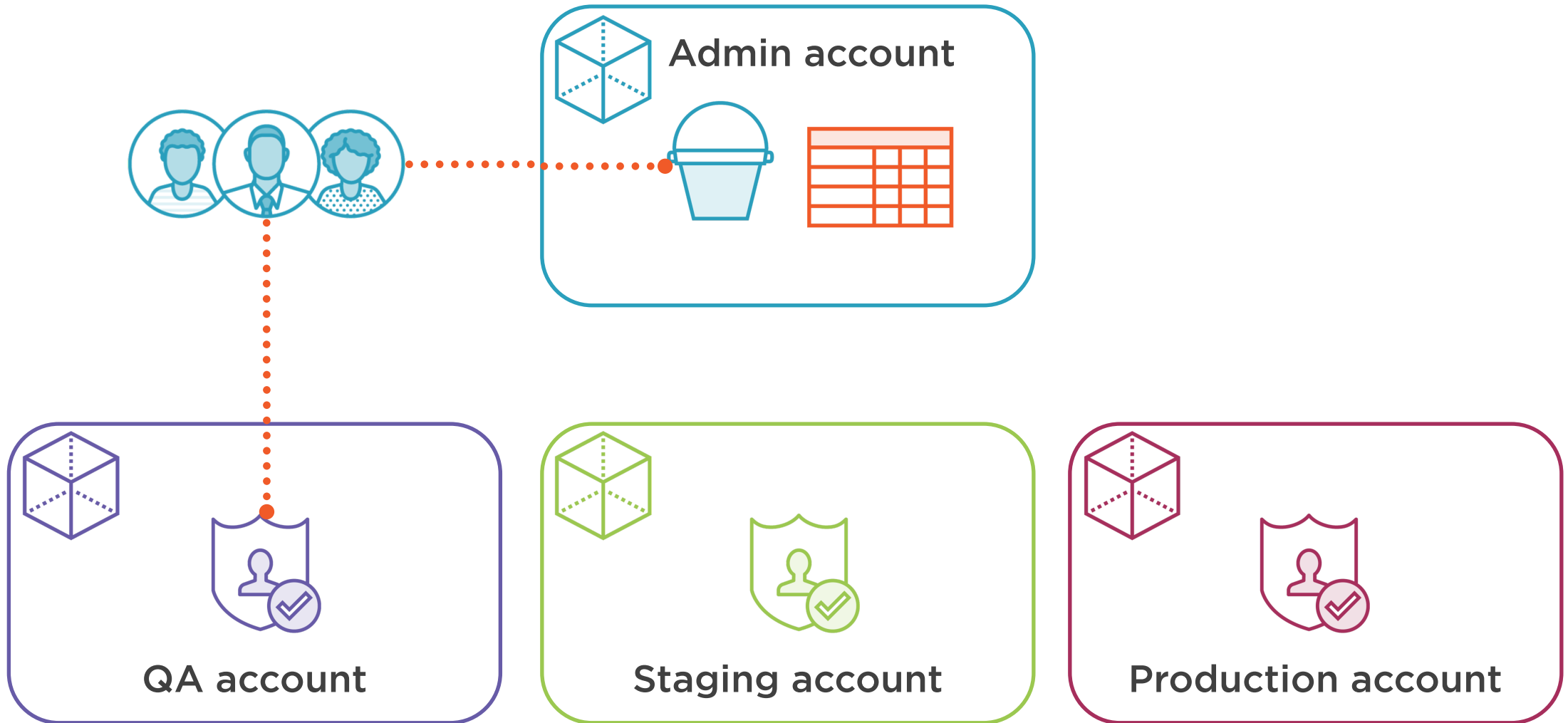
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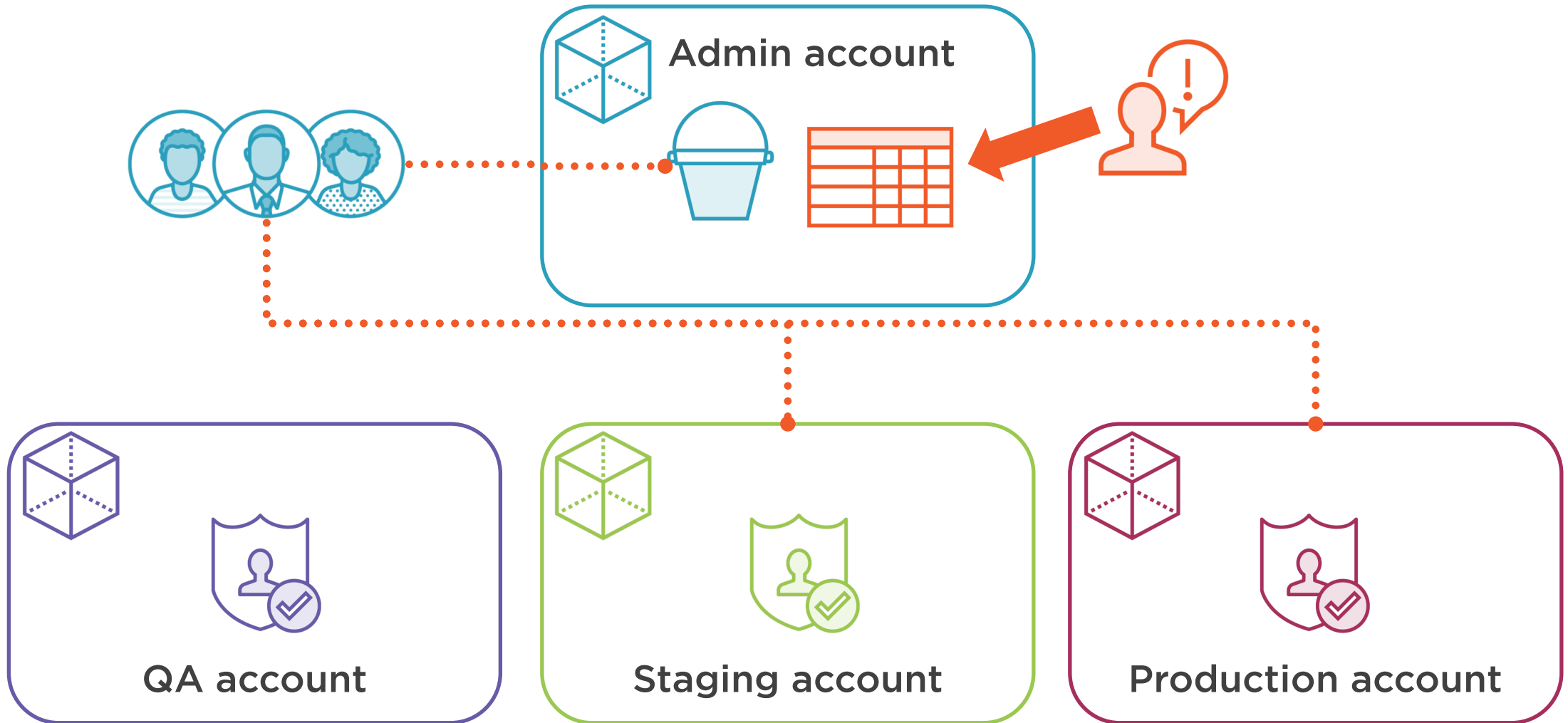
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Multiple Environments



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Migrating Terraform State



Update backend configuration



Run terraform init



Confirm state migration



Backend Configuration

```
terraform {  
  backend "s3" {  
    bucket = "globo-infra-12345"  
    key    = "terraform-state"  
    region = "us-east-1"  
  }  
}  
  
terraform init --backend-config="profile=infra"
```



Summary



Use remote state by default

AWS S3 and DynamoDB supports locking and workspaces

Migration is super simple

Coming up:

- Adding in automation
- Adopting AWS Code tools

