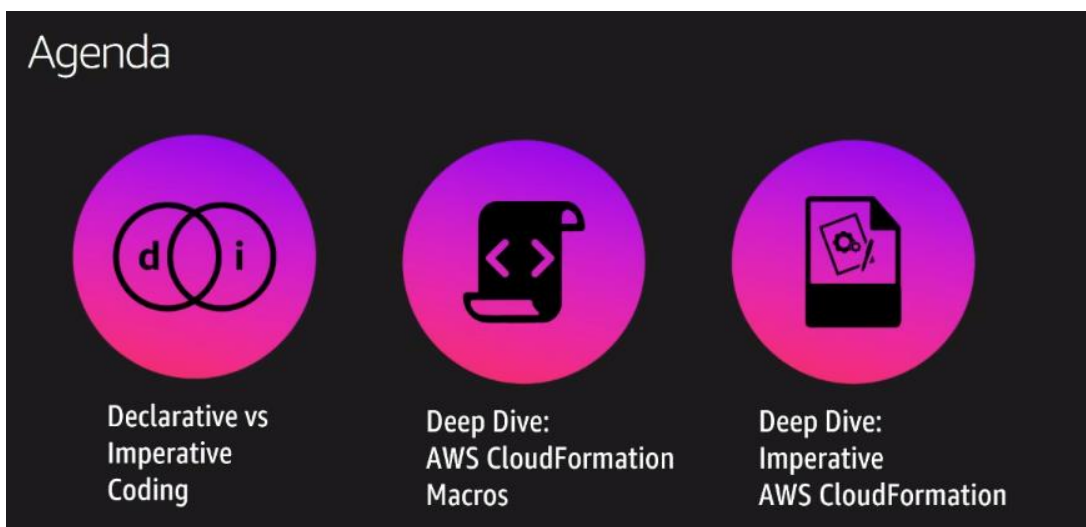




In addition to the basic **infrastructure as code capabilities provided by AWS CloudFormation**, AWS now offers various programmability constructs to power complex provisioning use cases. In this talk, we present several advanced use cases of declarative, imperative, and mixed coding scenarios that cloud infrastructure developers can leverage. Examples include demonstrating how to create custom resources and leveraging transforms, like the AWS Serverless Application Model (AWS SAM), to create both simple and complex macros with AWS CloudFormation. Complete Title: AWS re:Invent 2018: [REPEAT 1] Beyond the Basics: Advanced Infrastructure as Code Programming on AWS (DEV327-R1)



We will see ways to extend CF by injecting more capabilities in CF.



Declarative Programming

DECLARATIVE:
Saying **what** you want



```
2
3
4   Machine,
5
6   Pls make website,
7
8   all responsive like,
9   w/ BIG pictures ooo,
10  use my fav fonts,
11  also fancy menus with whooosh on,
12  load fast pls
13
14  Thanks,
15  Human
16
17  PS no bugs :)
18
19
```

Declarative vs Imperative

DECLARATIVE:
Saying **what** you want

- Barrier of entry is low
 - Less knowledge required than with higher level languages, toolchains
- Limitations
 - Full execution control, looping constructs, advanced techniques (OO inheritance, threading, automated testing, etc.)

IMPERATIVE
Saying **how** to do it

- Barrier of entry is higher
 - Expects authors to know the language syntax, different API libraries and conventions, properly catching exceptions
- Added flexibility
 - Language-specific editors and tooling designed to improve coder productivity

CFN: Declarative Programming

- YAML, JSON are used to "declare" the desired state
 - Mostly, we are not telling AWS CloudFormation explicitly how to do things; rather, what we want the desired state of our resources to be
- I want my original desired capacity in my ASG cluster to be 4. If I change it to 6, AWS CloudFormation will create 2 more to meet my desired state

```
Resources:
  AutoScalingGroup:
    CreationPolicy:
      ResourceSignal:
        Count: !Ref DesiredCapacity
        Timeout: "PT5M"
    UpdatePolicy:
      AutoScalingReplacingUpdate:
        WillReplace: true
    Type: "AWS::AutoScaling::AutoScalingGroup"
  Properties:
    Cooldown: "300"
    DesiredCapacity: !Ref DesiredCapacity
    HealthCheckGracePeriod: "300"
```

Some imperative programming is possible

- Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2) UserData – We are asking to run several commands
- Functions like `Fn::Condition`, `Fn::FindInMap`, etc. give imperative instructions

```
LaunchConfiguration:
  Type: "AWS::AutoScaling::LaunchConfiguration"
  Properties:
    ImageId: !FindInMap [RegionMap, !Ref "AWS::Region", AMALINUX]
    InstanceType: !FindInMap [InstanceSize, !Ref ENVIRONMENT, EC2]
    KeyName: AdvancedCFN
    SecurityGroups:
      - !Ref SG
    UserData:
      "Fn::Base64":
        !Sub |
          #!/bin/bash
          yum update -y aws-cfn-bootstrap # good practice - always do this.
          /opt/aws/bin/cfn-init -v --stack ${AWS::StackName} --resource LaunchConfiguration --configsets www
          yum -y update
          curl 127.0.0.1/app.php | grep -f /var/www/html/test.pattern
          /opt/aws/bin/cfn-signal -e $? --stack ${AWS::StackName} --resource AutoScalingGroup --region ${AWS::
```

CloudFormation Programming Options

DECLARATIVE:

- Basic YAML/JSON
- Basic Transforms
 - Include
 - SAM
- Advanced Transforms
 - Macros
 - others: Jinja/Mustache

IMPERATIVE

- CDK (TypeScript)
- Troposphere (Python)
- SparkleFormation (Ruby)
- GoFormation (GoLang)
- ...

- In all cases, we are still generating YAML/JSON vs direct API calls
 - Leverage stabilization, dependency graphs, rollbacks, etc.

Deep Dive: Macros

Macros

Write short-hand, abbreviated instructions that expand automatically when deployed

Add utility functions, for example, iteration loops, strings, etc.

Ensure resources are defined to comply to your standards

Easy to share and reuse across stacks

Key Benefit: once macros are deployed, downstream Macro users can be isolated from all imperative programming details

Macros are AWS Lambda functions - use any of the supported Lambda languages

Let's see some macro examples

Iterator/Loop

- Make me X number of this resource

Execute Python

- Pass arbitrary code

Perform String Functions

- Upper, Lower, ...

Globals

- Add Global Variables

Defaults

- If resource X is declared, add default attributes

Iterator: Code

```
import copy

def process_template(template):
    new_template = copy.deepcopy(template)
    status = 'success'

    for name, resource in template['Resources'].items():
        if 'Count' in resource:
            count = new_template['Resources'][name].pop('Count')
            multiplied = multiply(name, new_template['Resources'][name], count)
            if not set(multiplied.keys()) & set(new_template['Resources'].keys()):
                new_template['Resources'].update(multiplied)
            else:
                status = 'failed'
                return status, template
    return status, new_template

def multiply(resource_name, resource_structure, count):
    resources = {}
    for iteration in range(1, count):
        resources[resource_name+str(iteration)] = resource_structure
    return resources

def handler(event, context):
    result = process_template(event['fragment'])
    return {
        'requestId': event['requestId'],
        'status': result[0],
        'fragment': result[1],
    }
```

Iterator: Deploy the macro


```
AWSTemplateFormatVersion: '2010-09-09'
Transform: AWS::Serverless-2016-10-31

Resources:
  Macro:
    Type: AWS::CloudFormation::Macro
    Properties:
      Name: Count
      FunctionName: !GetAtt CountMacroFunction.Arn
  CountMacroFunction:
    Type: AWS::Serverless::Function
    Properties:
      CodeUri: src
      Handler: index.handler
      Runtime: python3.6
      Timeout: 5
```

Here, we have a macro called Count that deploys code

Iterator: Using your macro


```
Transform:
- Count
Resources:
Bucket:
  Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
  Count: 3
```



```
Resources:
Bucket1:
  Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
Bucket2:
  Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
Bucket3:
  Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
```



```
Transform:
- Count
Sqs:
  Type: AWS::SQS::Queue
  Count: 2
```



```
Resources:
Sqs1:
  Type: AWS::SQS::Queue
Sqs2:
  Type: AWS::SQS::Queue
```

This is what the iterator macro looks like when processed by CF

Macro: Execute Python

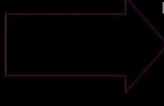
```
AWS::CloudFormation::Macro
Description: tests String macro functions
Parameters:
Tags:
  Default:
    "Env=Prod,Application=MyApp,BU=ModernisationTeam"
    Type: "CommaDelimitedList"
Resources:
S3Bucket:
  Type: "AWS::S3::Bucket"
  Properties:
    Tags: |
      #!PyPlate
      output = []
      for tag in params['Tags']:
        key, value = tag.split('=')
        output.append({"Key": key, "Value": value})
Transform: [PyPlate]
```

```
def handler(event, context):
    macro_response = {
        "requestId": event["requestId"],
        "status": "success"
    }
    try:
        params = {
            "params": event["templateParameterValues"],
            "template": event["fragment"],
            "account_id": event["accountId"],
            "region": event["region"]
        }
        response = event["fragment"]
        macro_response["fragment"] =
            obj_iterate(response, params)
    except Exception as e:
        traceback.print_exc()
        macro_response["status"] = "failure"
        macro_response["errorMessage"] = str(e)
    return macro_response
```

This macro executes arbitrary python code

Macro: Add String Functions

```
Parameters:
InputString:
  Default: "This is a test input string"
  Type: String
Resources:
S3Bucket:
  Type: "AWS::S3::Bucket"
  Properties:
    Tags:
      - Key: Upper
        Value:
          'Fn::Transform':
            - Name: 'StringMacro'
              Parameters:
                InputString: !Ref InputString
                Operation: Upper
```



```
Parameters:
InputString:
  Default: "This is a test input string"
  Type: String
Resources:
S3Bucket:
  Type: "AWS::S3::Bucket"
  Properties:
    Tags:
      - Key: Upper
        Value: "THIS IS A TEST INPUT STRING"
```

Code: Add String Functions

```
def handler(event, context):
    response = {
        "requestId": event["requestId"],
        "status": "success"
    }
    try:
        operation = event["params"]["Operation"]
        input = event["params"]["InputString"]
        no_param_string_funcs = [
            "Upper", "Lower", "Capitalize",
            "Title", "SwapCase"
        ]
        if operation in no_param_string_funcs:
            ...
        elif operation == "Strip":
            ...
        elif operation == "Replace":
            ...
        elif operation == "MaxLength":
            ...
    except Exception:
        traceback.print_exc()
        response["status"] = "failure"
        macro_response["errorMessage"] = str(e)
    return response
```

Multiple Functions in a single macro:

- Upper
- Lower
- Capitalize
- Title
- SwapCase
- Strip
- Replace
- MaxLength

Macro: Global Variables

Transform: Globals

```
Globals:
  SomeText: some-text
  ThingTag:
    Key: Thing
    Value: This is a thing
```

```
Resources:
  Bucket:
    Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
    Properties:
      BucketName: "@SomeText"
      Tags:
        - "@ThingTag"
        - Key: OtherThing
          Value: Other thing value
```



Resources:

```
Bucket:
  Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
  Properties:
    BucketName: "some-text"
    Tags:
      - Key: Thing
        Value: This is a thing
      - Key: OtherThing
        Value: Other thing value
```

Code: Globals

Transform: Globals

```
Globals:
  SomeText: some-text
  ThingTag:
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    Value: This is a thing
```

```
Resources:
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    Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
    Properties:
      BucketName: "@SomeText"
      Tags:
        - "@ThingTag"
        - Key: OtherThing
          Value: Other thing value
```

```
class Repeater():
    def __init__(self, template):
        self.repeaters = template["Globals"]
        del template["Globals"]
        self.template = template

    def process(self):
        return self.__walk(self.template)

    def __walk(self, fragment):
        if isinstance(fragment, str) and any(fragment == "{}".format(key)
        for key in self.repeaters):
            return self.repeaters[fragment[1:]]
        elif isinstance(fragment, dict):
            return {
                key: self.__walk(value)
                for key, value
                in fragment.items()
            }
        elif isinstance(fragment, list):
            return [
                self.__walk(value)
                for value in fragment
            ]
        return fragment

def handler(event, context):
    return {
        "requestId": event["requestId"],
        "status": "success",
        "fragment": Repeater(event["fragment"]).process(),
    }
```

Macro: Generate Additional Resources

Transform: Defaults

Resources:
Bucket1:
Type: AWS::S3::Bucket

Whenever a bucket is defined...

- Add access control property
- Add bucket policy
- Generate additional resources, intrinsic function calls, conditions, more
- Macro can allow user to override defaults

Resources:
Bucket1:
Type: AWS::S3::Bucket
Properties:
AccessControl: Private

Bucket1Policy:
Type: AWS::S3::BucketPolicy
Properties:
Bucket:
Ref: Bucket1
PolicyDocument:
Version: "2012-10-17"
Statement:
- Effect: Deny
Principal: "*"
Action: "s3:Delete*"
Resource:
Fn::Sub:
"arn:aws:s3:::\${Bucket1}/*"
Condition:
Bool:
aws:MultiFactorAuthPresent:
"false"

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This simply takes what the user wants to do, then overlay some protections on it for them

Advanced: Setting up Defaults

```
DEFAULTS = json.load(open("defaults.json"))

def interpolate(name, string):
    return string.replace("${", name)

def get_additional_resources(name, props):
    additional_resources = {}
    for key, value in props.items():
        key = interpolate(name, key)
        if isinstance(value, dict):
            additional_resources[key] = get_additional_resources(name, value)
        elif isinstance(value, list):
            additional_resources[key] = [
                get_additional_resources(name, v)
                for v in value
            ]
        elif isinstance(value, str):
            additional_resources[key] = interpolate(name, value)
        else:
            additional_resources[key] = value
    return additional_resources

def process_property(key, default, resource):
    # Recursive
    prop = resource[key]
    if isinstance(prop, dict):
        if "Defaults:Override" in prop:
            resource[key] = prop["Defaults:Override"]
        else:
            resource[key] = default
    elif isinstance(default, dict):
        for k in default.keys():
            if k in prop.keys():
                process_property(k, default[k], prop)
            else:
                prop[k] = default[k]
    else:
        resource[key] = default

def process_resource(name, resource, additional_resources):
    default = DEFAULTS[resource["Type"]]
    if "Properties" not in resource:
        resource["Properties"] = {}
    # Handle properties
    for key, prop in default["Properties"].items():
        if key not in resource["Properties"]:
            resource["Properties"][key] = prop
        else:
            process_property(key, prop, resource["Properties"])
    # Add additional resources
    additional_resources.update(get_additional_resources(name,
        default.get("AdditionalResources", {})))

def process(template):
    additional_resources = {}
    for name, resource in template["Resources"].items():
        if resource["Type"] in DEFAULTS:
            process_resource(name, resource, additional_resources)
    template["Resources"].update(additional_resources)
    return template
```

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Advanced: Setting up Defaults

```
{
  "AWS::S3::Bucket": {
    "Properties": {
      "AccessControl": "Private",
      "VersioningConfiguration": {
        "Status": "Enabled"
      }
    },
    "AdditionalResources": {
      "${}Policy": {
        "Type": "AWS::S3::BucketPolicy",
        "Properties": {
          "Bucket": {
            "Ref": "${}"
          },
          "PolicyDocument": {
            "Version": "2012-10-17",
            "Statement": [
              {
                "Effect": "Deny",
                "Principal": "*",
                "Action": "s3:Delete*",
                "Resource": {
                  "Fn::Sub": "arn:aws:s3:::${}/*"
                },
                "Condition": {
                  "Bool": {
                    "aws:MultiFactorAuthPresent": "false"
                  }
                }
              }
            ]
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Specify additional resources in a side file

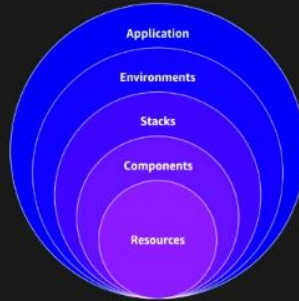
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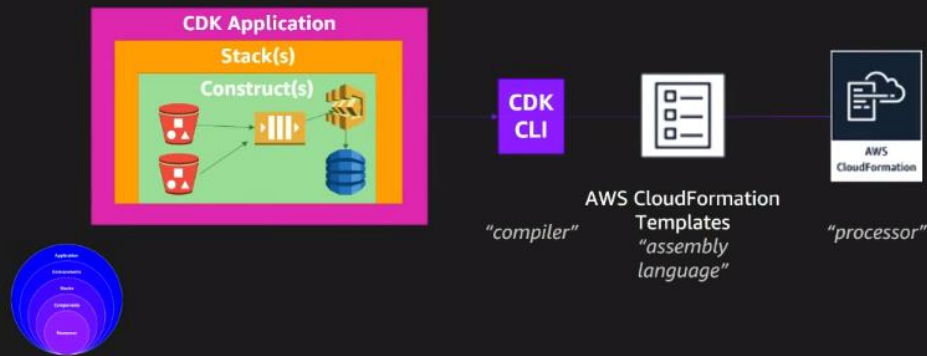
Imperative Programming in AWS CloudFormation

Imperative Programming Options

- AWS Cloud Development Kit (Developer Preview)
 - Modeling infrastructure programmatically
 - Componentized
- Python
 - Troposphere
 - Mature project on GitHub
 - Generates both YAML and JSON
- Other Options
 - Ruby: SparkleFormation
 - JS/TypeScript: CloudForm
 - ... many others
- All of these still generate YAML/JSON code



AWS CDK (Cloud Development Kit) in Dev Preview



You download the CDK and get a set of default models created for you that you can then add to, then you compile it to get the CF templates generated for you to use.

AWS CDK

```
huijbers ~/aws-cdk> npm install -g aws-cdk
/usr/local/bin/cdk -> /usr/local/lib/node_modules/aws-cdk/bin/cdk
+ aws-cdk@0.7.4-beta
updated 1 package in 16.203s
huijbers ~/aws-cdk> cdk init app --language typescript
Initializing a new git repository...
Applying project template app for typescript
Executing npm install...
npm notice created a lockfile as package-lock.json. You should commit this file.
npm WARN aws-cdk@0.1.0 No repository field.
npm WARN aws-cdk@0.1.0 No license field.

# Useful commands
* `npm run build`   compile typescript to js
* `npm run watch`  watch for changes and compile
* `cdk deploy`     deploy this stack to your default AWS account/region
* `cdk diff`       compare deployed stack with current state
* `cdk synth`      emits the synthesized CloudFormation template

huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> |
```


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huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> npm run build

> aws-cdk@0.1.0 build /Users/huijbers/aws-cdk
> tsc

huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> |
```

AWS CDK

```
huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> cdk deploy
  * Starting deployment of stack AwsCdkStack...
[0/2] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:15 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CloudFormation:
:WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition
[0/2] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:15 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CloudFormation:
:WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition Resource creation Initiated
[1/2] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:16 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
:WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition
[2/2] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:17 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
:Stack] AwsCdkStack
[0/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:27 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::SNS::Topic] Aws
CdkTopicF164620F
[0/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:27 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::SQS::Queue] Aws
CdkQueue7B79C8BE
[0/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:27 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CDK::Metadata]
CDKMetadata
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CdkQueue7B79C8BE Resource creation Initiated
[1/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:28 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SQS::Queue] Aws
CdkQueue7B79C8BE
|
```

AWS CDK

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[0/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:27 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::SNS::Topic] Aws
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[1/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:28 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SQS::Queue] Aws
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[1/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:29 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CDK::Metadata]
CDKMetadata Resource creation Initiated
[2/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CDK::Metadata]
CDKMetadata
[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SNS::Topic] Aws
CdkTopicF164620F
[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:40 GMT+0200 (CEST) UPDATE_COMPLETE_CLEANUP_IN_PROGRESS [AWS
::CloudFormation::Stack] AwsCdkStack
[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:42 GMT+0200 (CEST) DELETE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CloudFormation:
:WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition
[4/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:42 GMT+0200 (CEST) DELETE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
:WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition
[5/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:43 GMT+0200 (CEST) UPDATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
:Stack] AwsCdkStack
  * Deployment of stack AwsCdkStack completed successfully, it has ARN arn:aws:cloudform
tion:eu-west-1:993655754359:stack/AwsCdkStack/2270ca60-9428-11e8-8aa9-50faeb59c036
huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> vim bin/aws-cdk.ts
|
```

Let us now edit part of the code to see what happens

AWS CDK

```
b/aws-cdk.ts buffers
#!/usr/bin/env node
import sns = require('@aws-cdk/aws-sns');
import sqs = require('@aws-cdk/aws-sqs');
import cdk = require('@aws-cdk/cdk');

class AwsCdkStack extends cdk.Stack {
  constructor(parent: cdk.App, name: string, props?: cdk.StackProps) {
    super(parent, name, props);

    const queue = new sqs.Queue(this, 'AwsCdkQueue', {
      visibilityTimeoutSec: 300
    });

    const topic = new sns.Topic(this, 'AwsCdkTopic');
  }
}

const app = new cdk.App(process.argv);

new AwsCdkStack(app, 'AwsCdkStack');

NORMAL bin/aws-cdk.ts          typ- utf-8[unix]  72%  16/22 ln : 1
"bin/aws-cdk.ts" 22L, 579C
```

AWS CDK

```
[2/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CDK::Metadata]
CDKMetadata
[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SNS::Topic] Aws
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[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:40 GMT+0200 (CEST) UPDATE_COMPLETE_CLEANUP_IN_PROGRESS [AWS
::CloudFormation::Stack] AwsCdkStack
[3/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:42 GMT+0200 (CEST) DELETE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::CloudFormation:
WaitConditionHandle] WaitCondition
[4/5] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:41:42 GMT+0200 (CEST) DELETE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
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[+] Creating AwsCdkQueuePolicy4B641FDF (type: AWS::SQS::QueuePolicy)
[+] Creating AwsCdkTopicAwsCdkQueueSubscription8A3B2580 (type: AWS::SNS::Subscription)
huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)>
```

AWS CDK

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huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> cdk deploy
  Starting deployment of stack AwsCdkStack...
[0/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:29 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::SNS::Subscripti
on] AwsCdkTopicAwsCdkQueueSubscription8A3B2580
[0/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:29 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_IN_PROGRESS [AWS::SQS::QueuePolic
y] AwsCdkQueuePolicy4B641FDF
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[1/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SQS::QueuePolic
y] AwsCdkQueuePolicy4B641FDF
[2/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:30 GMT+0200 (CEST) CREATE_COMPLETE [AWS::SNS::Subscripti
on] AwsCdkTopicAwsCdkQueueSubscription8A3B2580
[2/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:31 GMT+0200 (CEST) UPDATE_COMPLETE_CLEANUP_IN_PROGRESS [AWS
::CloudFormation::Stack] AwsCdkStack
[3/3] Mon Jul 30 2018 20:42:32 GMT+0200 (CEST) UPDATE_COMPLETE [AWS::CloudFormation:
Stack] AwsCdkStack
  Deployment of stack AwsCdkStack completed successfully, it has ARN arn:aws:cloudform
tion:eu-west-1:993655754359:stack/AwsCdkStack/2270ca60-9428-11e8-8aa9-50faeb59c036
huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)> cdk diff
huijbers ~/aws-cdk(master)>
```

You then deploy the update again to have the stack get updated

AWS SDK

One of the three primary ways
to operate AWS

Console, CLI, APIs

AWS SDK for Python (boto)

```
import boto3
import sys
import botocore

if len(sys.argv) < 3:
    print('Usage: python s3.py <the bucket name> <the AWS Region to use>\n' +
          'Example: python s3.py my-test-bucket us-east-2')
    sys.exit()

bucket_name = sys.argv[1]
region = sys.argv[2]

s3 = boto3.client(
    's3',
    region_name=region
)

# Lists all of your available buckets in this AWS Region.
def list_my_buckets(s3):
    resp = s3.list_buckets()

    print('My buckets now are:\n')

    for bucket in resp['Buckets']:
        print(bucket['Name'])

    return
```

Troposphere

Requires Boto3

Generates YAML/JSON

```
from troposphere import Ref, Template
import troposphere.ec2 as ec2

template = Template()

envs = ['dev', 'test', 'prod']

for x in envs:
    instanceName = x + "Ec2"
    ec2_instance = template.add_resource(ec2.Instance(
        instanceName,
        ImageId="ami-a7a242da",
        InstanceType="t2.nano",
    ))

fh = open("template.yaml", "a")
fh.writelines(template.to_yaml())
fh.close()
```

Demo

Let us now see how Troposphere works using the SDK

The screenshot shows the AWS Cloud9 IDE interface. The left sidebar displays the 'Environment' tree with a folder 'demo-nov2018' containing files: 'ec2-sample.py', 'README.md', 's3.py', 'sample.py', 'template-orig.yaml', and 'template.yaml'. The main editor window shows 'sample.py' with the following code:

```
1 """
2 Sample to test python
3 """
4 import sys
5
6 print('Hello, World!')
7
8 print('The sum of 2 and 3 is 5.')
9
10 sum = int(sys.argv[1]) + int(sys.argv[2])
11
12 print('The sum of {0} and {1} is {2}.'.format(sys.argv[1], sys.argv[2], sum))
13
```

The bottom terminal window shows the command prompt and the execution output:

```
bash - "ip-172-31-47" x Immediate
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 426 Nov 26 20:03 ec2-sample.py
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 570 Nov 22 16:00 README.md
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 1195 Nov 26 16:39 s3.py
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 222 Nov 26 16:37 sample.py
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 66 Nov 26 16:46 template-orig.yaml
-rw-r--r-- 1 ec2-user ec2-user 66 Nov 29 19:07 template.yaml
catthrustrer:~/environment $ python sample.py 4 5
Hello, World!
The sum of 2 and 3 is 5.
The sum of 4 and 5 is 9.
catthrustrer:~/environment $
```

The screenshot shows the AWS Cloud9 IDE interface with 's3.py' selected in the editor. The code is as follows:

```
4 import boto3
5 import sys
6 import boto3
7
8 if len(sys.argv) < 3:
9     print('Usage: python s3.py <the bucket name> <the AWS Region to use>\n' +
10         'Example: python s3.py my-test-bucket us-east-2')
11     sys.exit()
12
13 bucket_name = sys.argv[1]
14 region = sys.argv[2]
15
16 s3 = boto3.client(
17     's3',
18     region_name = region
19 )
20
21
```

The status bar at the bottom indicates '(5 Bytes) 4:13 Python Spaces: 2'.

The screenshot shows the AWS Cloud9 IDE interface with 's3.py' selected in the editor. The code is as follows:

```
16 region_name = region
17
18
19
20
21 # Lists all of your available buckets in this AWS Region.
22 def list_my_buckets(s3):
23     resp = s3.list_buckets()
24
25     print('My buckets now are:\n')
26
27     for bucket in resp['Buckets']:
28         print(bucket['Name'])
29
30     return
31
32 list_my_buckets(s3)
33
34 # Create a new bucket.
35
```

The status bar at the bottom indicates '(5 Bytes) 4:13 Python Spaces: 2'.

The screenshot shows the AWS Cloud9 IDE interface with 's3.py' selected in the editor. The code is as follows:

```
26
27
28 for bucket in resp['Buckets']:
29     print(bucket['Name'])
30
31 return
32
33 list_my_buckets(s3)
34
35 # Create a new bucket.
36 try:
37     print("\nCreating a new bucket named "" + bucket_name + "...")
38     s3.create_bucket(Bucket = bucket_name,
39                     CreateBucketConfiguration = {
40                         'LocationConstraint': region
41                     })
42 except boto3.exceptions.ClientError as e:
43     if e.response['Error']['Code'] == 'BucketAlreadyExists':
44
```

The status bar at the bottom indicates '(5 Bytes) 4:13 Python Spaces: 2'.


```
catthrustor:~/environment $ python s3.py i-cant-believe-i-lost-my-voice us-west-1
My buckets now are:

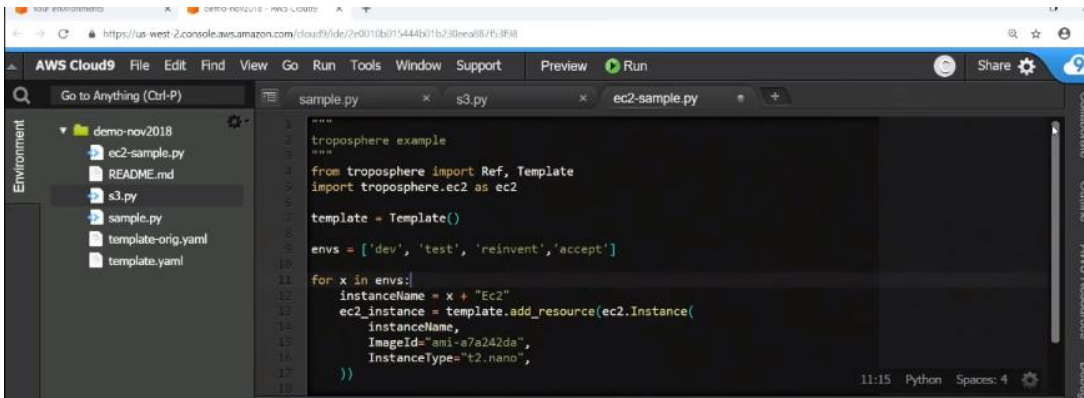
alb-testbucketforaccesslogging1122
aws-athena-query-results-891660604275-us-east-1
aws-athena-query-results-891660604275-us-west-2
aws-athena-query-results-us-east-1-891660604275
aws-glue-scripts-891660604275-us-east-1
aws-logs-891660604275-eu-west-1
cf-templates-16lcyv62m-eu-central-1
cf-templates-16lcyv62m-eu-west-1
cf-templates-16lcyv62m-us-east-1
cf-templates-16lcyv62m-us-west-1
cf-templates-16lcyv62m-us-west-2
cfnda-bitcoin-historical-data
cfnda-datalake
cis-1-11-test-prerequisitesfor-rarchivelogsbucket-d9ukgau0wg2p
cis-1-11-test-prerequisitesfor-cisb-configs3bucket-1720auuk5hf22
cis-1-11-test-prerequisitesfor-cisb-ctrls3bucket-1a1c0ayns6568
```

```
bash - "ip-172-31-47" x Immediate x +
https://us-west-2.console.aws.amazon.com/cloud9/ide/?loc=011b015444b01b230eca887f53f88

compliance-cis-benchmark-prerequis-ctrls3bucket-milvyczmltq
config-bucket-891660604275
count-test-cli-bucket-1g5ehvh5yopq3
count-test-cli-bucket1-1idiuiar9myit
count-test-cli-bucket2-kkk44gydmchj
datalake-eu-west-1-891660604275-dl-tag
davdbada-access-logging-test2-albogsbucket-1sp6ni4axcp4
davdbada-access-logging-test2-logsbucket-1qtcii63eshhu
do-not-delete-gatedgarden-audit-891660604275
graph-macro-bucket-1caez6z2hzufy
i-cant-believe-i-lost-my-voice
lec-dev418-lab
lec-test-lab1
licolon-magento
luiseduardocolon-collegescorecard
luiseduardocolon-demos
luiseduardocolon-testbucket
macros-hackathon-andlytle
macros-hackathon-bundfy
macros-hackathon-davdbada
macros-hackathon-joferra
macros-hackathon-kuskowsk
macros-hackathon-peatmand
macros-hackathon-sengledo
macros-hackathon-srachyu
mu-codedeploy-us-west-1-891660604275
mu-codepipeline-us-west-1-891660604275
s3objects-2-3-bucket-jr785f97qlq3
serverless-hello-world-d-serverlessdeploymentbuck-gles4v2memdi
ss-reaper-assets
testbucketforaccesslogging1122
```

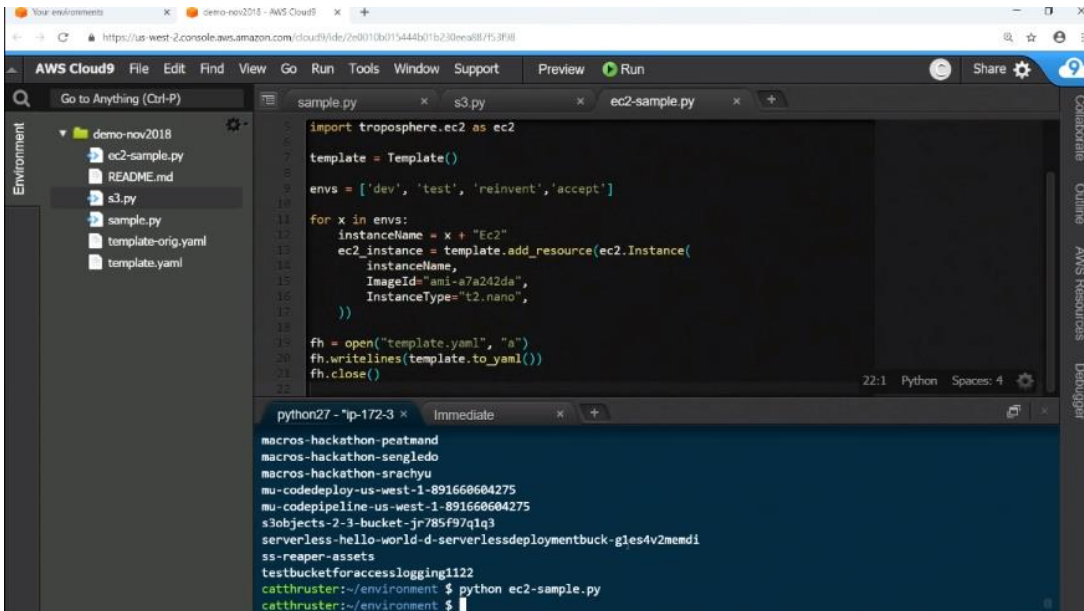
```
bash - "ip-172-31-47" x Immediate x +
https://us-west-2.console.aws.amazon.com/cloud9/ide/?loc=011b015444b01b230eca887f53f88

compliance-cis-benchmark-prerequis-ctrls3bucket-5fxd8x5xph97
compliance-cis-benchmark-prerequis-ctrls3bucket-milvyczmltq
config-bucket-891660604275
count-test-cli-bucket-1g5ehvh5yopq3
count-test-cli-bucket1-1idiuiar9myit
count-test-cli-bucket2-kkk44gydmchj
datalake-eu-west-1-891660604275-dl-tag
davdbada-access-logging-test2-albogsbucket-1sp6ni4axcp4
davdbada-access-logging-test2-logsbucket-1qtcii63eshhu
do-not-delete-gatedgarden-audit-891660604275
graph-macro-bucket-1caez6z2hzufy
lec-dev418-lab
lec-test-lab1
licolon-magento
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luiseduardocolon-demos
luiseduardocolon-testbucket
macros-hackathon-andlytle
macros-hackathon-bundfy
macros-hackathon-davdbada
macros-hackathon-joferra
macros-hackathon-kuskowsk
macros-hackathon-peatmand
macros-hackathon-sengledo
macros-hackathon-srachyu
mu-codedeploy-us-west-1-891660604275
mu-codepipeline-us-west-1-891660604275
s3objects-2-3-bucket-jr785f97qlq3
serverless-hello-world-d-serverlessdeploymentbuck-gles4v2memdi
ss-reaper-assets
testbucketforaccesslogging1122
catthrustor:~/environment $
```



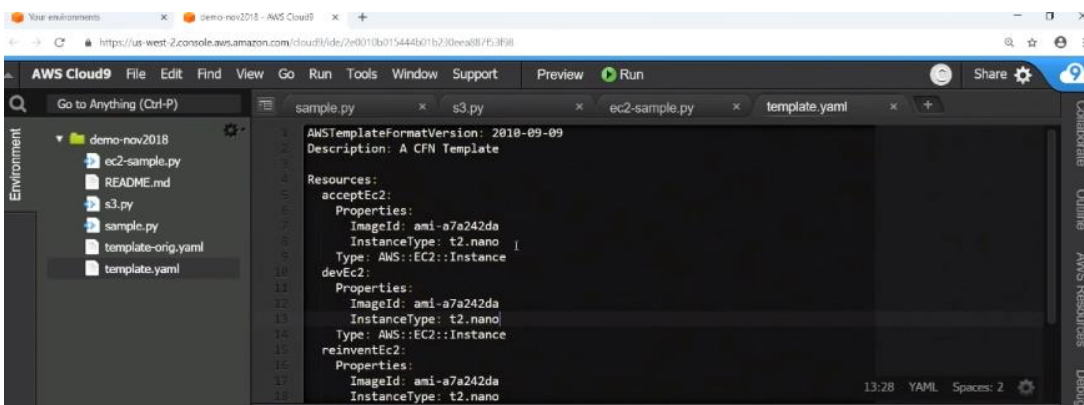
```
1 """
2 troposphere example
3 """
4 from troposphere import Ref, Template
5 import troposphere.ec2 as ec2
6
7 template = Template()
8
9 envs = ['dev', 'test', 'reinvent', 'accept']
10
11 for x in envs:
12     instanceName = x + "Ec2"
13     ec2_instance = template.add_resource(ec2.Instance(
14         instanceName,
15         ImageId="ami-a7a242da",
16         InstanceType="t2.nano",
17     ))
18
```

This code uses troposphere to generate an iterator that generates EC2 instances



```
5 import troposphere.ec2 as ec2
6
7 template = Template()
8
9 envs = ['dev', 'test', 'reinvent', 'accept']
10
11 for x in envs:
12     instanceName = x + "Ec2"
13     ec2_instance = template.add_resource(ec2.Instance(
14         instanceName,
15         ImageId="ami-a7a242da",
16         InstanceType="t2.nano",
17     ))
18
19 fh = open("template.yaml", "a")
20 fh.writelines(template.to_yaml())
21 fh.close()
```

```
python27 - "ip-172-3" x Immediate
macros-hackathon-peatmand
macros-hackathon-sengledo
macros-hackathon-srachyu
mu-codedeploy-us-west-1-891668684275
mu-codepipeline-us-west-1-891668684275
s3objects-2-3-bucket-jr785f97q1q3
serverless-hello-world-d-serverlessdeploymentbuck-gles4v2mcmdi
ss-reaper-assets
testbucketforaccesslogging1122
catthrustrer:~/environment $ python ec2-sample.py
catthrustrer:~/environment $
```



```
1 AWSTemplateFormatVersion: 2010-09-09
2 Description: A CFN Template
3
4 Resources:
5   acceptEc2:
6     Properties:
7       ImageId: ami-a7a242da
8       InstanceType: t2.nano
9       Type: AWS::EC2::Instance
10   devEc2:
11     Properties:
12       ImageId: ami-a7a242da
13       InstanceType: t2.nano
14       Type: AWS::EC2::Instance
15   reinventEc2:
16     Properties:
17       ImageId: ami-a7a242da
18       InstanceType: t2.nano
```

This is the generated YAML file that was generated using the code, this can then be used to generate your stack in CF. we can use this code approach to do things like run unit tests on your stack creation code.

Wrap Up



Use one, or the other, or both
Macros are a good tool to
balance the declarative nature
of AWS CloudFormation,
without requiring template
authors to have imperative code



Many macro possibilities:
Iterators, Python, string functions
global variables, defaults...
Other possibilities:
Cloning resources,
generating pipelines ...



Imperative Programming
CDK and components
Troposphere
Many additional languages
Still leverage AWS
CloudFormation benefits

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