

Cloud Cost Leakage Detection SaaS (AWS + Docker + Jenkins)

Project Overview

This project implements a SaaS-style cloud cost optimization scanner that detects unused or idle resources across customer accounts and emails monthly cost-saving reports automatically.

The system uses a central SaaS AWS account running Jenkins to execute a Dockerized scanner that assumes cross-account roles into customer AWS accounts.

Problem Statement

Many companies unknowingly waste cloud spend on:

- Idle EC2 instances
- Underutilized RDS databases
- Unused S3 storage
- Over-provisioned Kubernetes resources

Cloud bills are complex, and small teams often lack visibility into waste.

Solution

A centralized SaaS scanner that:

- 1 . Connects to customer AWS accounts via cross-account IAM role
 - 2 . Scans for cost leakage resources
 - 3 . Generates a summary report
 - 4 . Emails results to customers
 - 5 . Runs automatically via Jenkins schedule
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Architecture

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    Jenkins["Jenkins (SaaS Control Plane)"] --> Scanner["Docker Cost Scanner"]
    Scanner -- "(STS AssumeRole)" --> Accounts["Customer AWS Accounts"]
```

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Scheduled Trigger (Monthly)

Technology Stack

- AWS IAM (cross-account roles)
- AWS STS AssumeRole
- Python (boto 3)
- Docker
- Jenkins Pipeline
- Gmail SMTP

Cross-Account Access Model

SaaS Account

IAM user: `saas-scanner`

Permissions: - sts:AssumeRole → customer roles

Customer Account

Role: `CloudCostReadOnlyRole`

Trust policy allows SaaS account to assume role.

Docker Scanner

The scanner container performs:

- EC 2 idle detection
- RDS idle detection
- S 3 unused detection
- Kubernetes over-provision detection
- Email report sending

Environment variables passed at runtime:

- AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID
- AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
- ROLE_ARN
- SENDER_EMAIL

- SENDER_PASS
 - RECEIVER_EMAIL
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Jenkins Pipeline

Stages:

- 1 . Pull Docker image
- 2 . Prepare environment file
- 3 . Run scanner container

Pipeline also supports scheduled execution using cron.

Scheduling

Monthly automatic scan via Jenkins cron trigger:

```
0 2 1 * *
```

Runs at 2 : 0 0 AM on the 1 st of every month.

Reporting

Scanner compiles counts of unused resources and emails report to customer.

Example output:

```
EC2 idle: 0  
RDS idle: 1  
S3 unused: 2  
K8s over-provisioned: 0
```

Deployment Steps

1 . Build Docker Image

```
docker build -t <dockerhub>/cloud-cost-scanner:1.0 .
docker push <dockerhub>/cloud-cost-scanner:1.0
```

2 . Configure Jenkins Credentials

- aws-access-key
- aws-secret-key
- customer-role-arn
- sender-email
- sender-pass
- receiver-email

3 . Configure Pipeline

Add Docker pull and run stages.

4 . Setup IAM Cross-Account Role

Customer role trusts SaaS account. SaaS IAM user allowed to assume role.

5 . Enable Schedule

Add cron trigger to Jenkins pipeline.



Example Execution Flow

```
Jenkins trigger → Docker run → AssumeRole → Scan → Email
```



Multi-Customer SaaS (Future)

Customer metadata list:

```
[
  {"name": "Acme", "role_arn": "...", "email": "ops@acme.com"},
]
```

```
{ "name": "Beta", "role_arn": "...", "email": "cloud@beta.com" }  
]
```

Scanner loops through customers and sends individual reports.

Key Features

- Cross-account AWS scanning
 - Dockerized execution
 - Jenkins automation
 - Email reporting
 - Monthly scheduling
 - SaaS-ready architecture
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Sample Result

```
Cloud Cost Scan Started  
EC2 idle: 0  
RDS idle: 1  
S3 unused: 2  
K8s over-provisioned: 0  
Report emailed successfully
```

Value

Helps organizations:

- Reduce cloud waste
 - Improve cost visibility
 - Automate reporting
 - Centralize governance
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Future Enhancements

- Multi-customer onboarding
 - Web dashboard
 - Savings trend analytics
 - Cost estimation engine
 - SaaS UI portal
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