

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

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Agenda

- User / Groups
- Policies
- Roles
- Best Practice
- Terraform Examples

Goals of the Course

- getting a refresh / intro to AWS IAM
- Hands-On Time
- Best-Practices
- use Terraform to deploy some IAM-methods

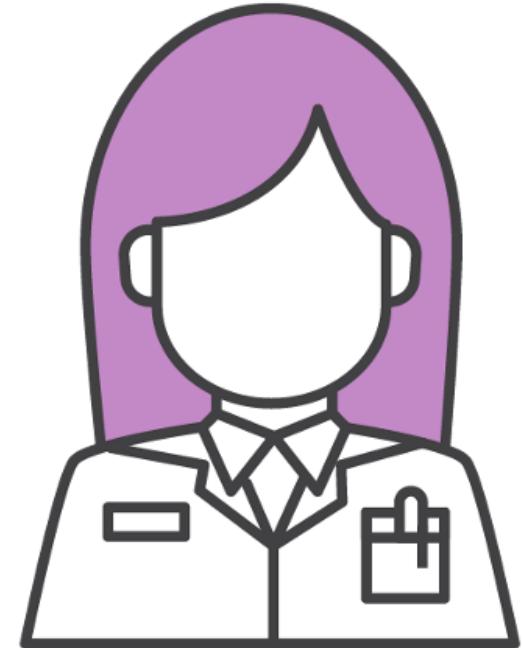
Users and Groups



The AWS Account Root User

This account has full access to all AWS services and resources.

- Billing information
- Personal data
- Your entire architecture and its components
- **Tasks that require the Root User**

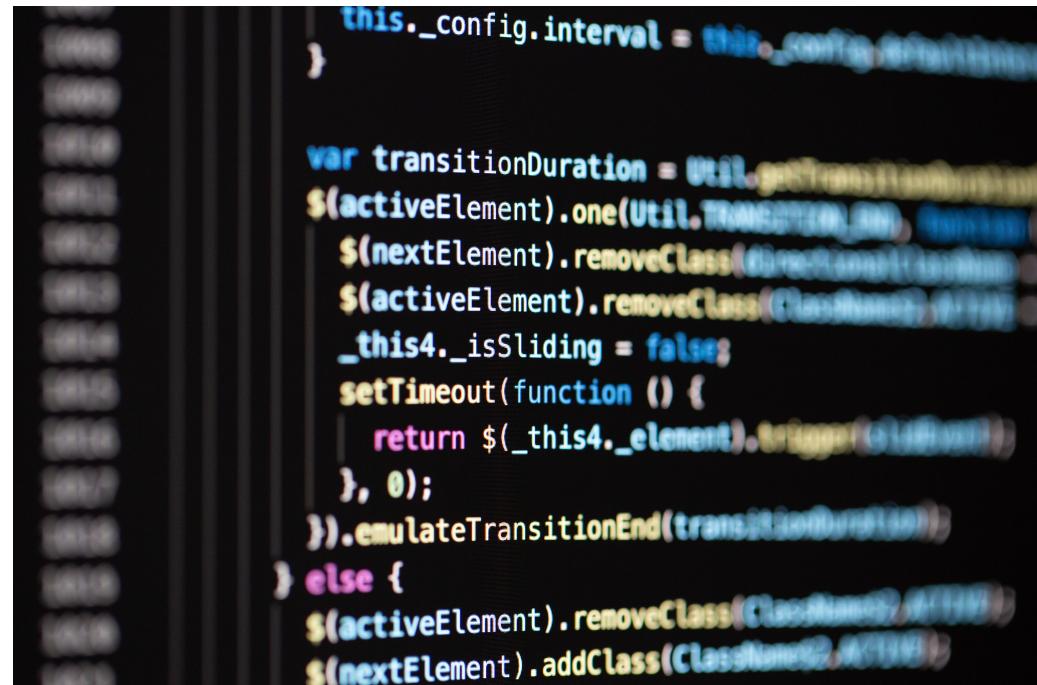


root user has extreme power w/o be limited

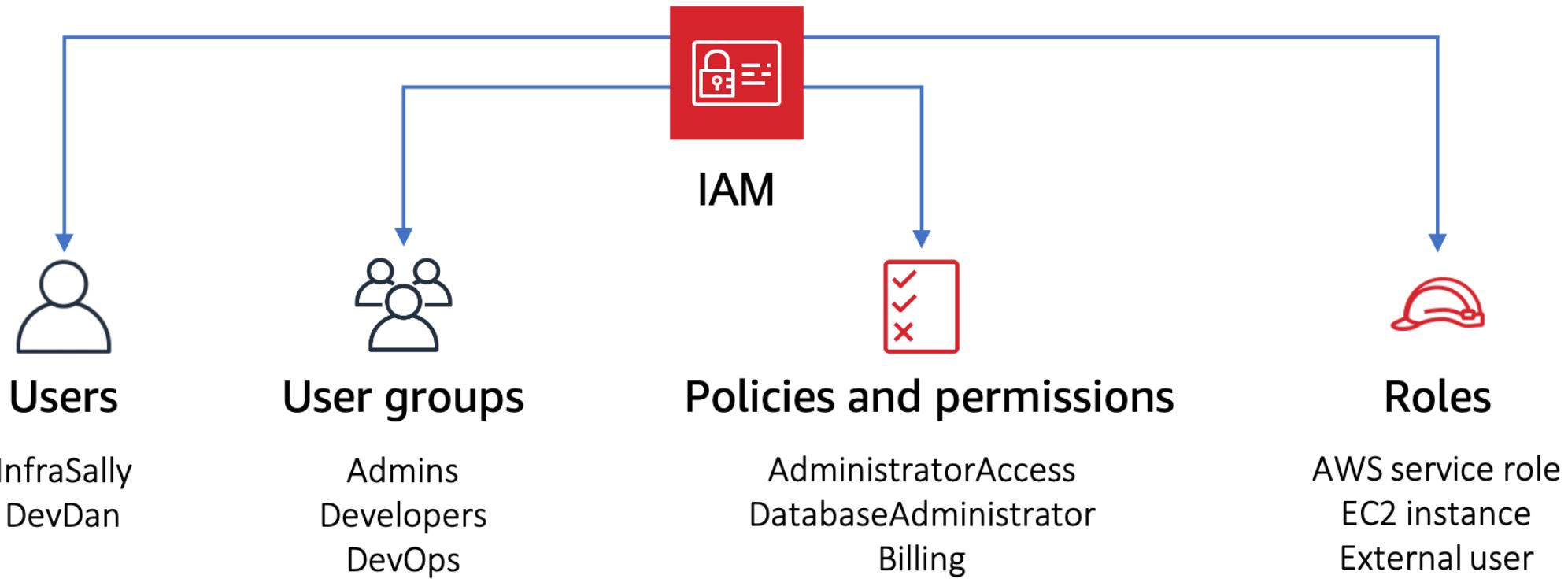
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create admin user (console)

- create an iam user `admin`
- grant the `AdministratorAccess` policy
- give it `AWS Console Access`
- note the Login-URL
- log out and use Administrator



IAM terms and concepts



IAM Users

- IAM users are not separate AWS accounts; they are users within your account.
- Each user has their own credentials.
- IAM users are authorized to perform specific AWS actions based on their permissions (chapter permissions).



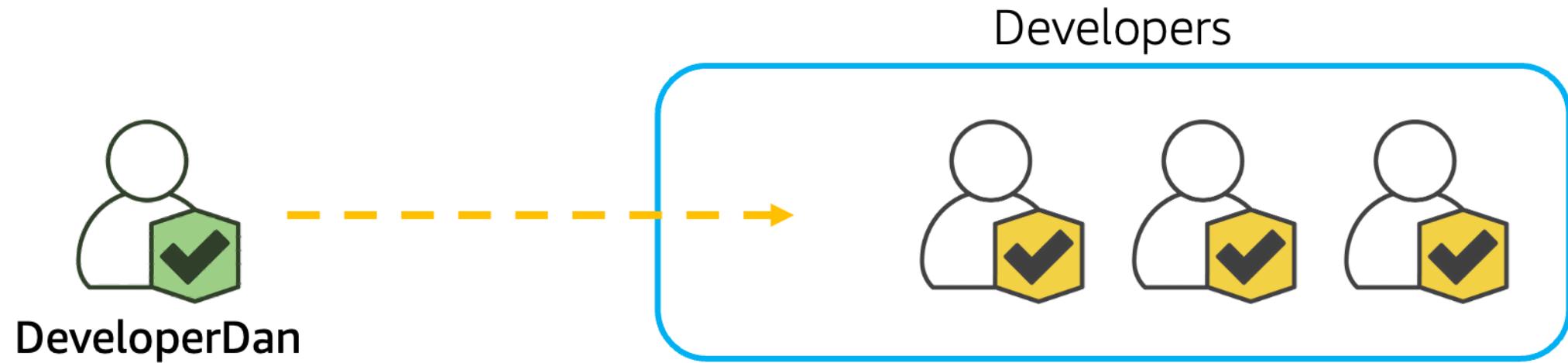
Origin of an IAM User

- There are **NO** default permissions.
- Access to the AWS Management Console or CLI must be explicitly granted.
- global Ressource



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IAM Groups

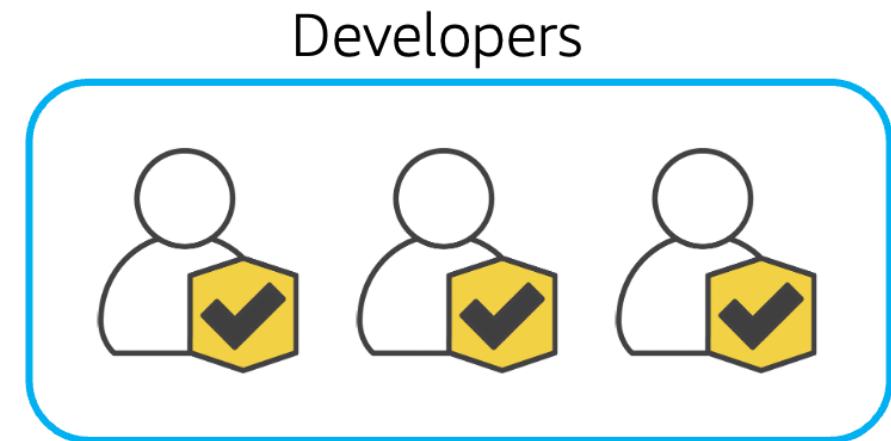


IAM Groups

An IAM user group is a collection of IAM users.

User groups let you specify permissions for multiple users.

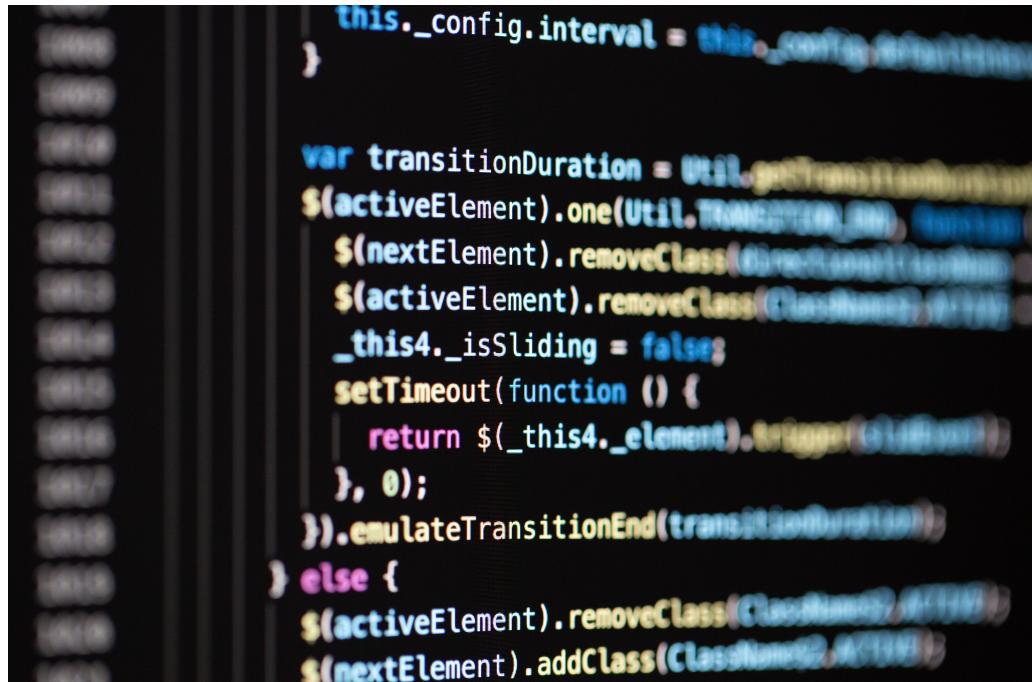
- user groups can contain many users
- a user can belong to multiple user groups
- user groups **can't** be nested
- can contain only users
- there is no `default user` group



LAB

create a User and a Group

- create user `infrasally`
- grant her AWS Console access
- create group `infra-staff`
- attach `infrasally` to group `infra-staff`



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Policies and Permission

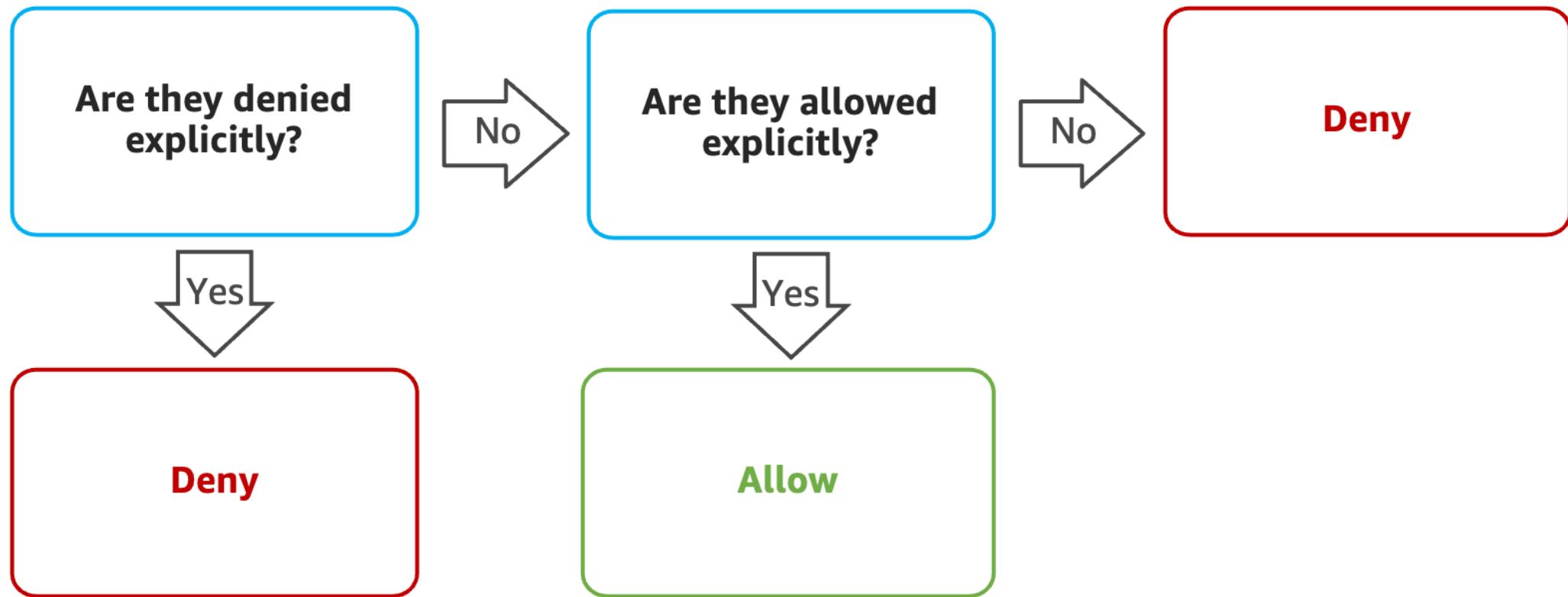
Granting Permission

- a formal declaration of one or more permissions
- evaluated at the time of request
- IAM policies ONLY control access to AWS services



Policy

IAM permission evaluation



Identity-Based Policy

Identity-based policies are attached to an IAM `user`, `group`, or `role`.

Control:

- Actions performed
- Which resources
- What **conditions** are required

Identity-based policies

John Smith

Can List, Read
On Resource X

Carlos Salazar

Can List, Read
On Resource Y,Z

MaryMajor

Can List, Read, Write
On Resource X,Y,Z

ZhangWei

No policy

Resource-based policies

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Resource Y

CarlosSalazar: Can List, Write
ZhangWei: Can List, Read

Resource Z

CarlosSalazar: Denied access
ZhangWei: Allowed full access

Syntax - Identity-Based Policy

```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Id": "S3PolicyId1",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Sid": "ListObjectsInBucket",  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": "s3>ListBucket",  
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::notes"  
    },  
    {  
      "Sid": "AllObjectActions",  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": "s3:*Object",  
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3:::notes/*",]  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

Resource-Based Policies

Resource-based policies are attached to a resource (like S3, Glacier, KMS).

Control:

- Actions allowed by specific **principal**
- What conditions are required
- Are always **inline policies**
- No AWS managed resource-based policies

Account ID: 123456789012

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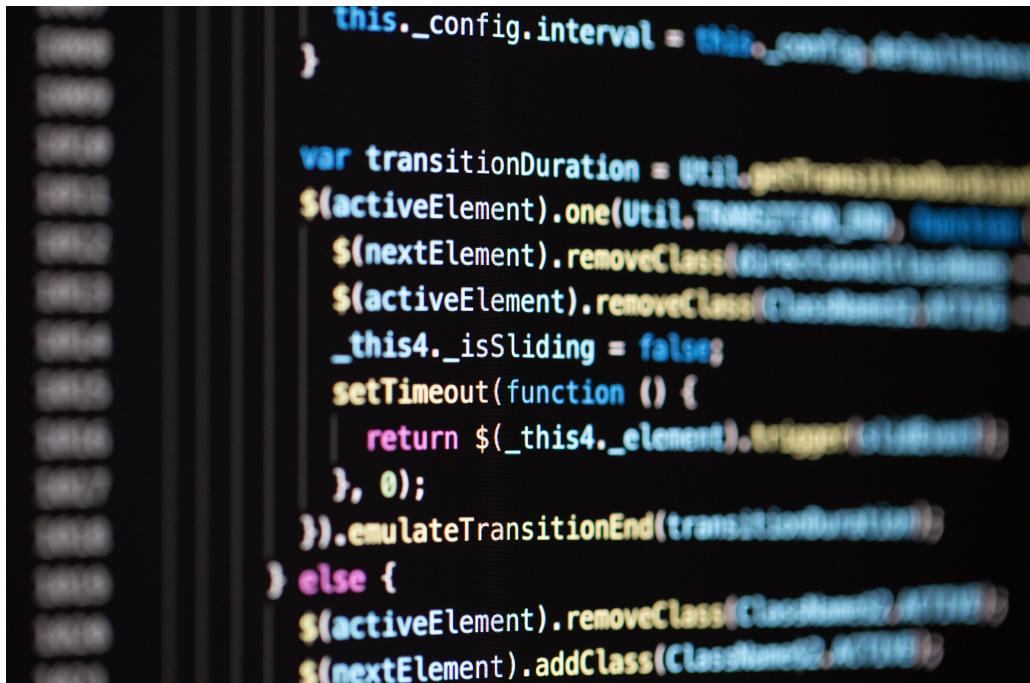
Syntax - Resource-based policies with Condition

```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Id": "S3PolicyId1",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Sid": "IPAllow",  
      "Effect": "Deny",  
      "Principal": "*",  
      "Action": "s3:*",  
      "Resource": [  
        "arn:aws:s3:::notes",  
        "arn:aws:s3:::notes/*"  
      ],  
      "Condition": {  
        "NotIpAddress": {"aws:SourceIp": "54.240.143.0/24"}  
      }  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

LAB

add a policy to group

- create EC2-Instance `t2.micro` as admin
- add `AmazonEC2ReadOnlyAccess` to group `infra-staff`
- login as `infrasally` and check EC2



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Policy with Tag-Condition

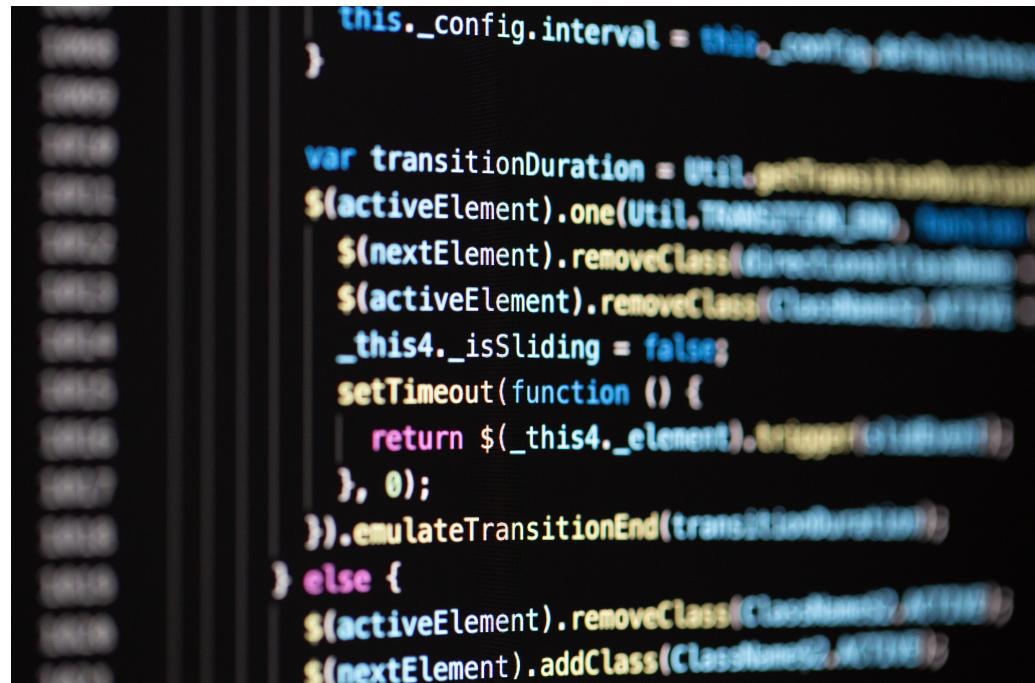
```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Sid": "VisualEditor0",  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": "ec2:*",  
      "Resource": "*",  
      "Condition": {  
        "StringNotEquals": {  
          "aws:ResourceTag/env": "prod"  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

Is there something missing - a better Version?

LAB

create a policy with tags

- create an iam-policy `ec2-admin-non-prod`
- allow all EC2-Actions on Systems with the Tag `env` and any Value that is NOT `prod`
- attach the policy to `infra-sally`



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        }  
      }  
    },  
    {  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": "ec2:Describe*",  
      "Resource": "*"  
    },  
    {  
      "Effect": "Deny",  
      "Action": [  
        "ec2:CreateTags",  
        "ec2:DeleteTags"  
      ],  
      "Resource": "*"  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

Roles

Role

A role lets you define a set of permissions to access the resources that a user or service needs.

- The permissions are not attached to an IAM user or group.
- The permissions are attached to a role and the role is assumed by the user or the service.



Role Use cases:

- Provide AWS resources with access to AWS services
- Provide access to externally authenticated users
- Provide access to third parties
- Switch roles to access resources in:
 - Your AWS account
 - Any other AWS account (cross-account access)

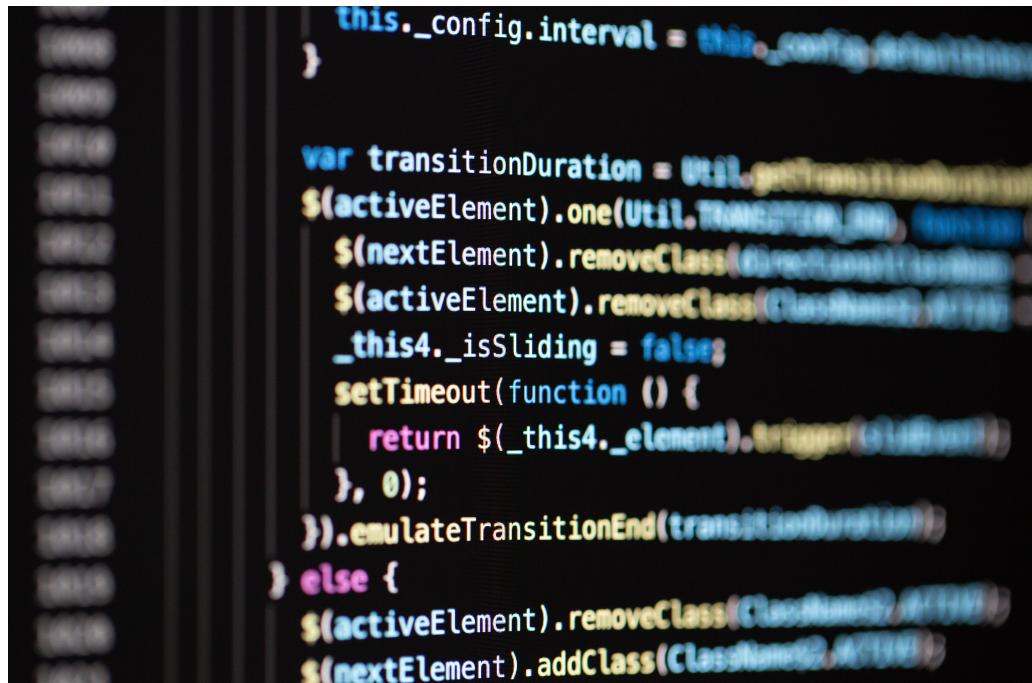
Assume-Role

```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Principal": {  
        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::589905756388:user/infrasally"  
      },  
      "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",  
      "Condition": {}  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

LAB

create a role & attach

- create a policy `ec2-admin` with all actions on `ec2`.
- create an `Assume role` for `infrasally`
- test everything
- optional challenge:
do it for the group `infra-staff`



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        }, 0);
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} else {
    $(activeElement).removeClass(activeElement.hasClass() ? 'active' : 'next');
    $(nextElement).addClass(nextElement.hasClass() ? 'next' : 'active');
}
```

Step 1. - create a Policy that Allow to Assume-Role

```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Sid": "AssumeRoleForRoleEC2Administration",  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": [  
        "sts:AssumeRole"  
      ],  
      "Resource": [  
        "arn:aws:iam::589905756388:role/Role-EC2-Administration"  
      ]  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

Step 2 - attach the Policy to the Group

Best Practice

Best Practices

- Lock away your AWS account root user access keys
- Use roles to delegate permissions (assume role)
- Grant least privilege (only permissions required to perform a task)
- Use customer managed policies instead of inline policies
- Configure a strong password policy for your users
- Enable MFA
- Use policy conditions for extra security
- Monitor activity in your AWS account

Terraform Examples

Terraform IAM Ressources

User Ressource

```
resource "aws_iam_user" "audit-user" {  
  name = "auditjack"  
}
```

User Login

```
resource "aws_iam_user_login_profile" "devdan-profile" {  
  user                    = aws_iam_user.devdan.name  
  password_length         = 20  
  password_reset_required = false  
}
```

Terraform IAM Ressources

Group Ressource

```
resource "aws_iam_group" "audit-group" {  
  name = "audit-staff"  
}
```

Group Membership

```
resource "aws_iam_group_membership" "devdan-membership" {  
  name  = "tf-testing-group-membership"  
  group = aws_iam_group.audit-group.name  
  users = [  
    aws_iam_user.audit-user.name,  
  ]  
}
```

LAB

create user & group

- create a user devdan
- create a group dev-staff
- attach the user to the group

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    $(nextElement).addClass(nextClass);
}
```

Terraform IAM Ressources

Policy Ressource

```
resource "aws_iam_policy" "s3_admin_policy" {  
  name      = "s3_admin_policy"  
  description = "Allow all S3 actions"  
  policy    = <POLICY-STRING>  
}
```

IAM Policy

```
resource "aws_iam_user_policy_attachment" "attach_s3_policy" {  
  user      = aws_iam_user.devdan.name  
  policy_arn = aws_iam_policy.s3_admin_policy.arn  
}
```

policy loading options

- `policy = jsonencode(..)`
- `policy = file()`
- `policy = templatefile()`
- or just as String

```
policy = <<EOT
{
  ...Lines ommited...
}
EOT
```

Generate a policy through a Datasource

```
data "aws_iam_policy_document" "generated-audit-policy" {
  statement {
    actions      = ["s3>ListAllMyBuckets"]
    resources   = ["arn:aws:s3:::*"]
    effect      = "Allow"
  }
  statement {
    actions      = ["s3:*"]
    resources   = [var.bucket_arn]
    effect      = "Allow"
  }
}
```

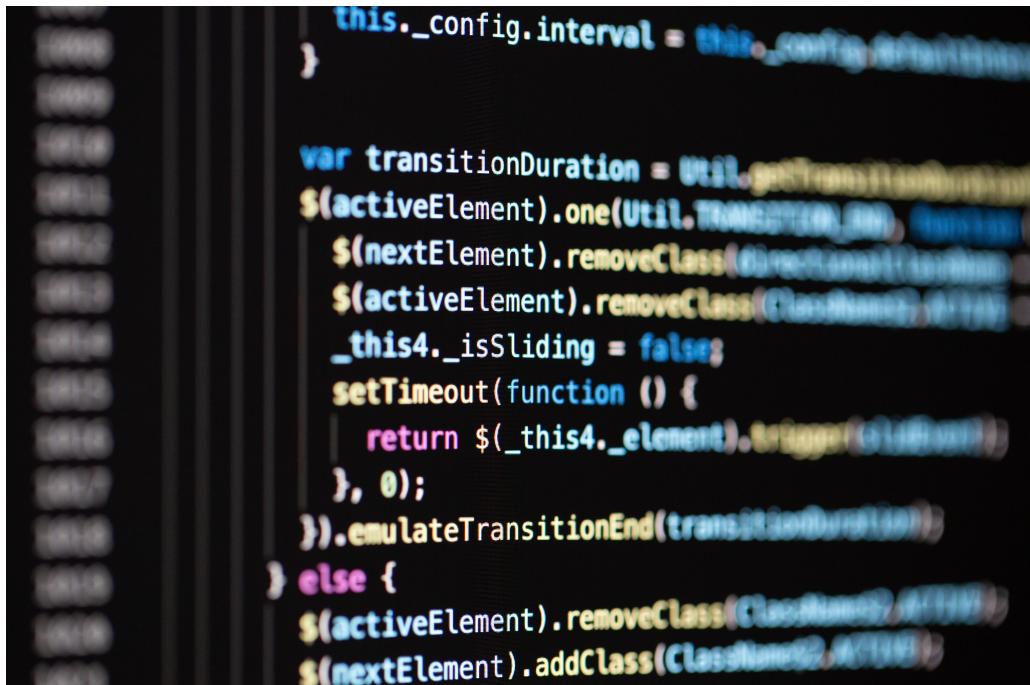
use it with .json to render:

```
policy = data.aws_iam_policy_document.generated-audit-policy.json
```

LAB

create policies & attach

- create a policy `s3_admin` with all actions on s3.
- attach the policy to the user `devdan`
- add the policy `AmazonEC2ReadOnlyAccess` to the group `dev-staff` (Hint: Datasource)
- test everything



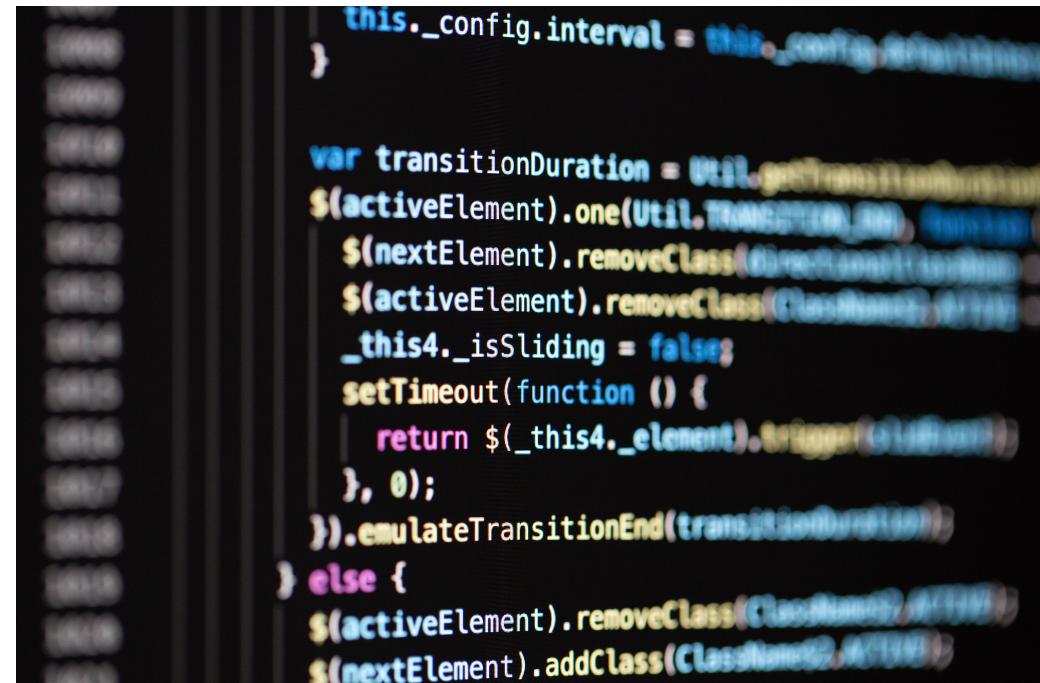
```
resource "aws_iam_policy" "policy" {
  name          = "${random_pet.pet_name.id}-policy"
  description   = "My test policy"

  policy = <<EOT
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    ...Lines ommited...
  ]
}
EOT
}
```

LAB

create assume-role for ec2

- create a private S3 bucket `sw-test-XX`
- create a policy `sw-test-read`
with all actions on s3.
- start an `t2.micro` instance
- add the role `ec2-s3-access` to the
instance-profile
- test access via `aws s3 ls` everything



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IAM-Live (3rd-Party)

- Install [IAM-Live](#)
- Terminal #2 - `$ iamlive --mode proxy`
- Terminal #1 - add Environment-Variables

```
export AWS_CA_BUNDLE=~/.iamlive/ca.pem
export HTTP_PROXY=http://127.0.0.1:10080
export HTTPS_PROXY=http://127.0.0.1:10080
export AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID="Real Key"
export AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY="Real Key"
```

- Terminal #1 - `terraform apply`