

Infrastructure-as-Code with Pulumi

Better than all the others (like Ansible)?

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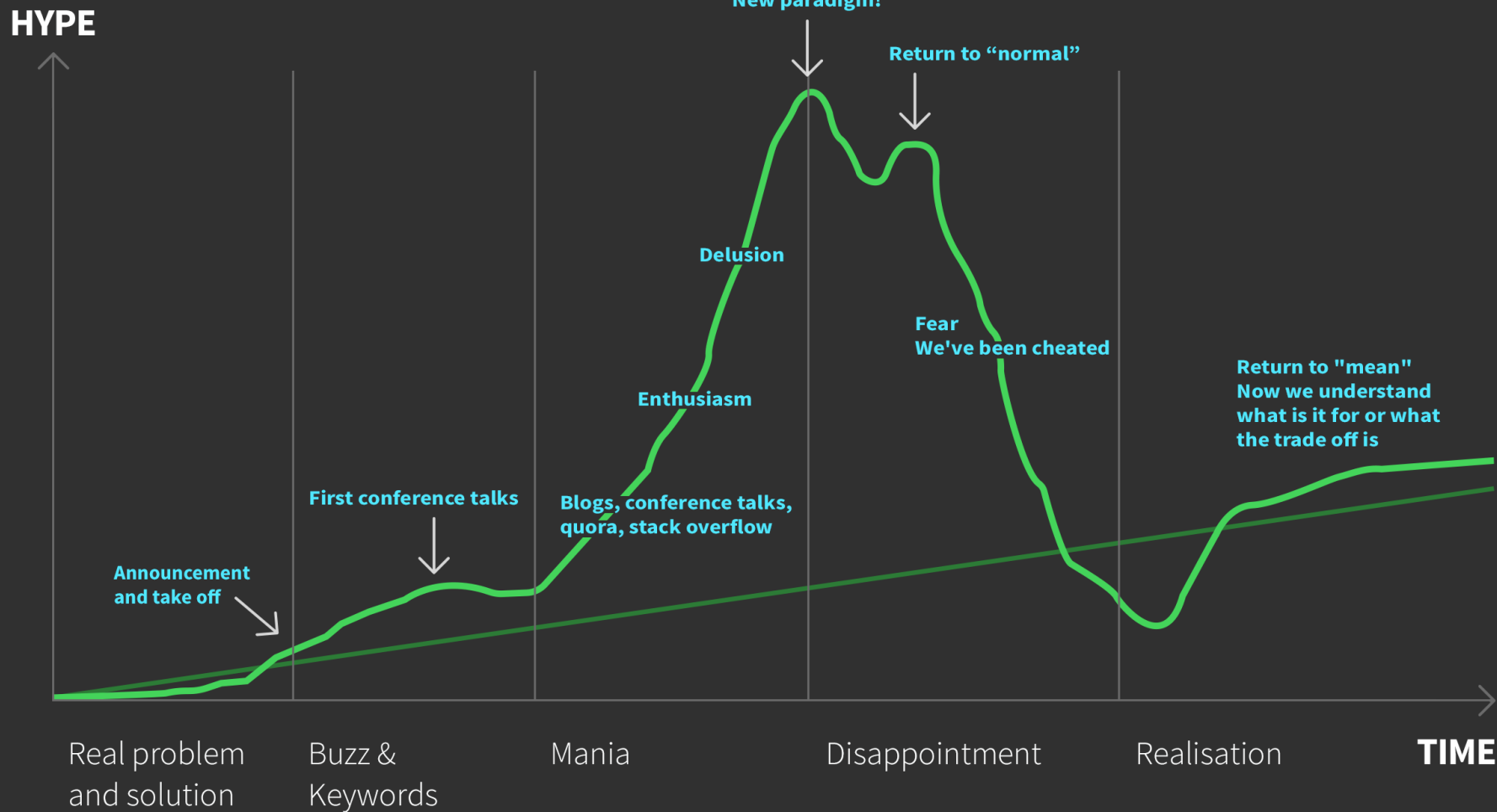


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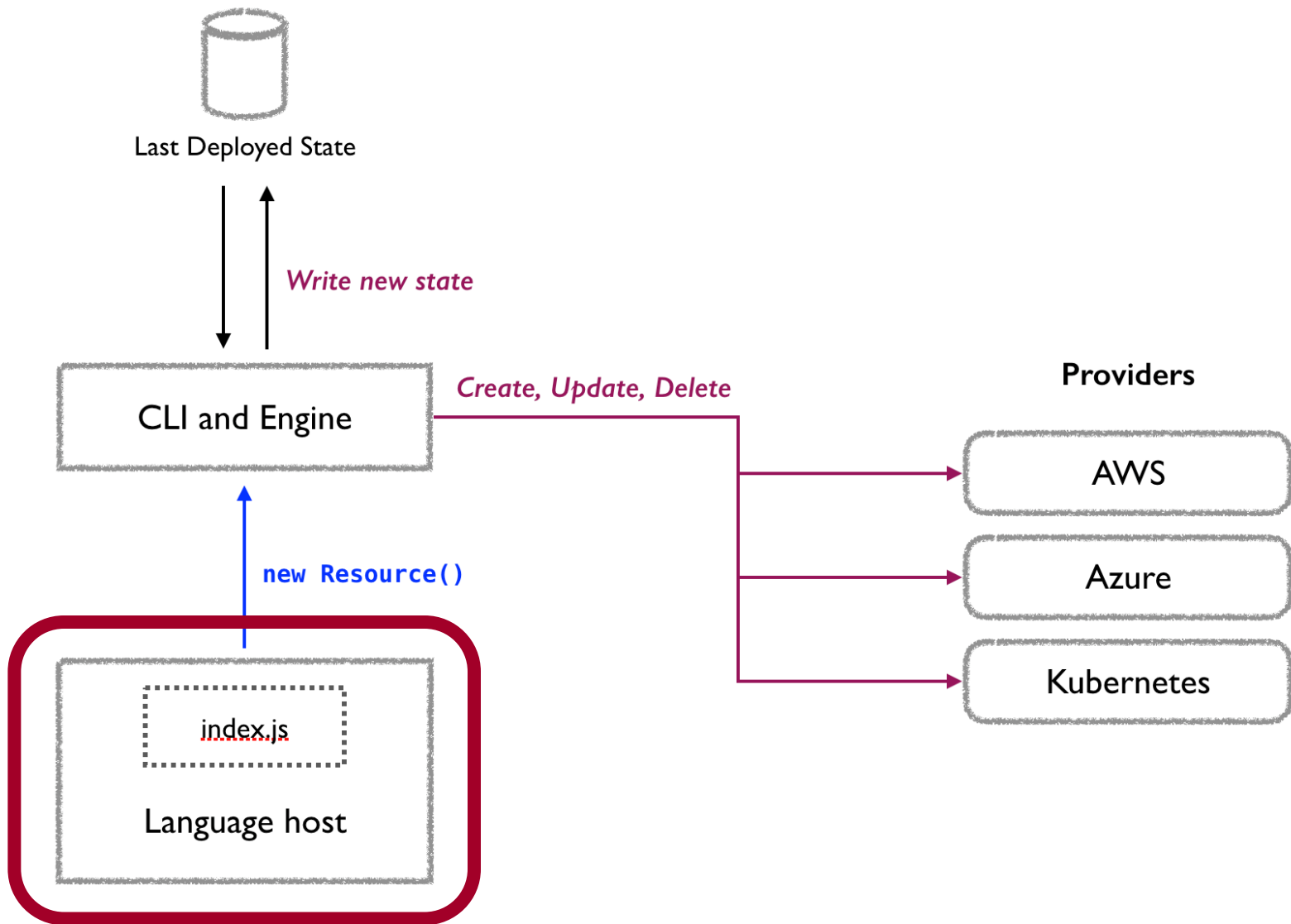
Pulumi?



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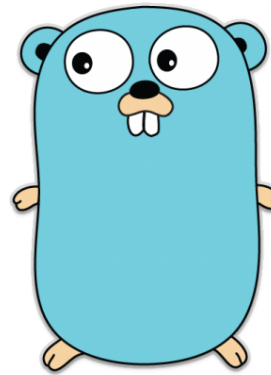
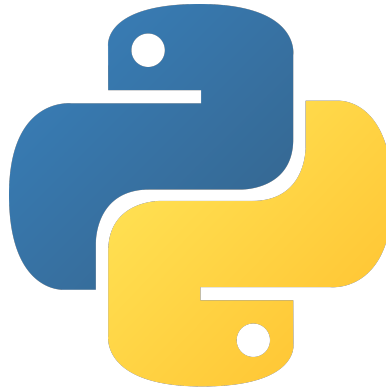
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Pulumi is language agnostic to
support multiple programming
languages at the same time

pulumi.com/docs/intro/languages














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API reference: pulumi.com/docs/reference/pkg

Examples: github.com/pulumi/examples

 .gitignore	
 .travis.yml	
 LICENSE	
 Pulumi.dev.yaml	Pulumi Stack definition
 Pulumi.yaml	Pulumi Project config
 README.md	
 index.ts	Pulumi Program (Typescript)
 package-lock.json	Node.js Package Management
 package.json	
 renovate.json	
 tsconfig.json	Typescript config

github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-typescript-aws-fargate

Pulumi program example

TS index.ts ×

```
1  import * as aws from "@pulumi/aws";
2
3  // Create an AWS resource (S3 Bucket)
4  const bucket = new aws.s3.Bucket( name: "container-conf-bucket");
5
6  // Export the name of the bucket
7  export const bucketName = bucket.id;
```

Create projects



```
~/dev ➤ mkdir containerconf && cd containerconf  
~/dev/containerconf ➤ pulumi new aws-typescript
```


Multicloud?



Google Cloud Platform



kubernetes

pulumi.com/docs/intro/cloud-providers



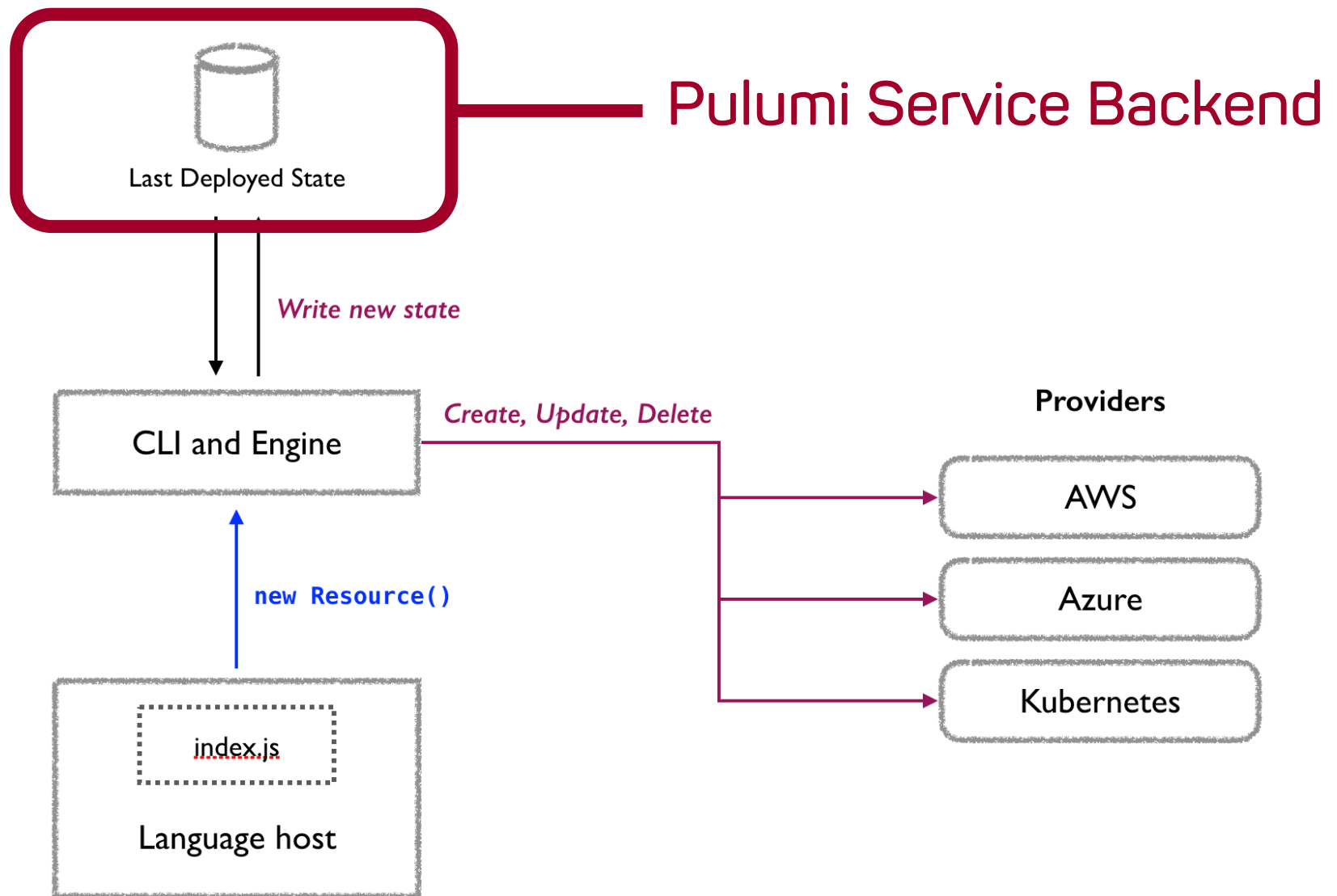
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State

State

is stored in the Pulumi

Service Backend



Service Backend options

- ▶ `app.pulumi.com`
- ▶ Self-managed backend
- ▶ on-premise `app.pulumi.com`
(Enterprise version only)

A **Stack** defines the **State**
of a Pulumi project

Example: app.pulumi.com/jonashackt

.gitignore

.travis.yml

LICENSE

Pulumi.dev.yaml

Pulumi.yaml

README.md

index.ts

package-lock.json

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renovate.json

tsconfig.json

```
Pulumi.dev.yaml x
YML
1 config:
2   aws:region: eu-central-1
3   pulumi-example-aws-python:dbPassword:
4     secure: AAABAGRRYHRPA4g1SBcTC4iUea203KcLx3l+pBpY11PFtueLCUE=
```

Pulumi.YourStackName.yaml

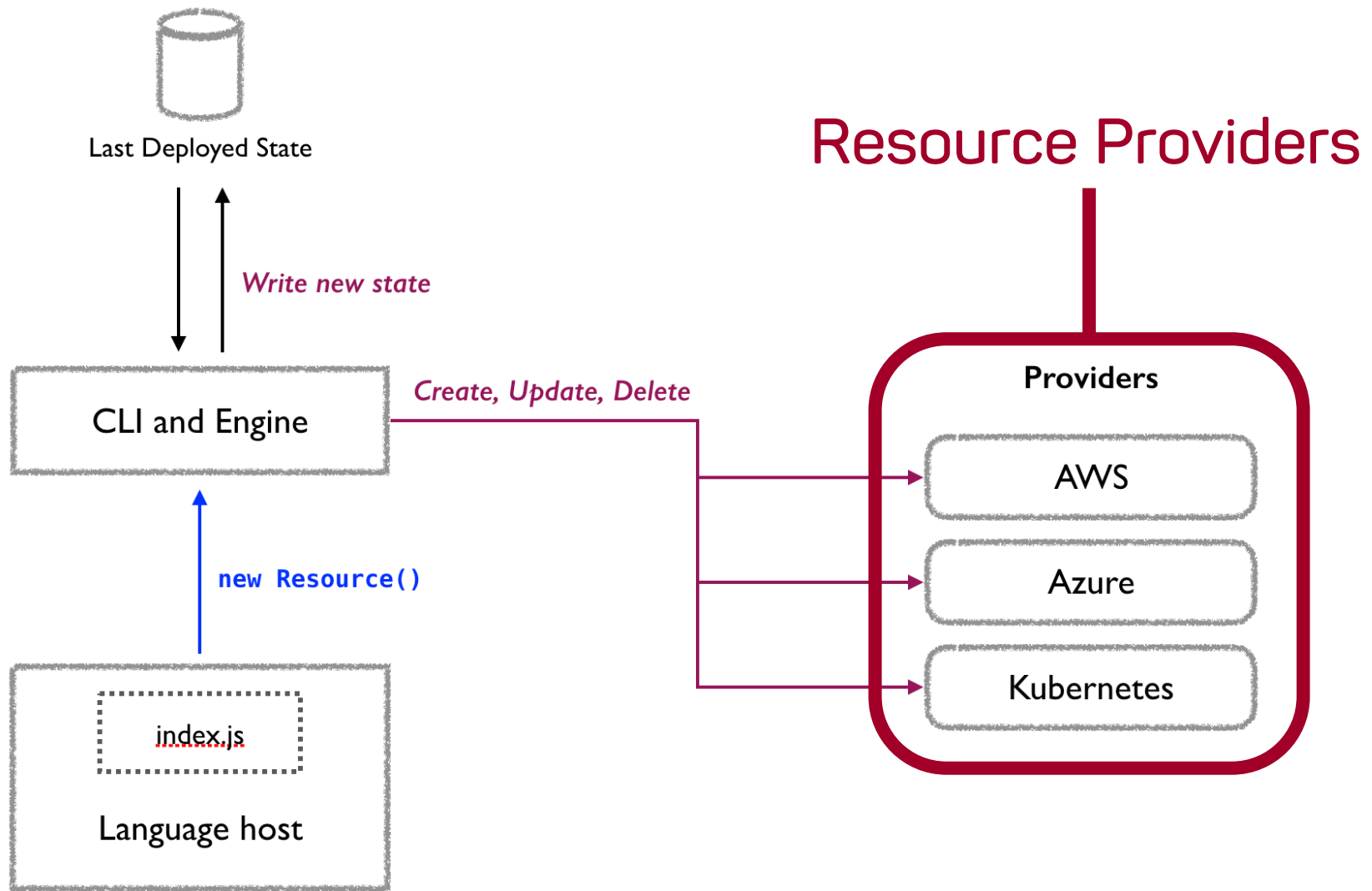
Resource Providers
aka
„Terraform Wrappers“

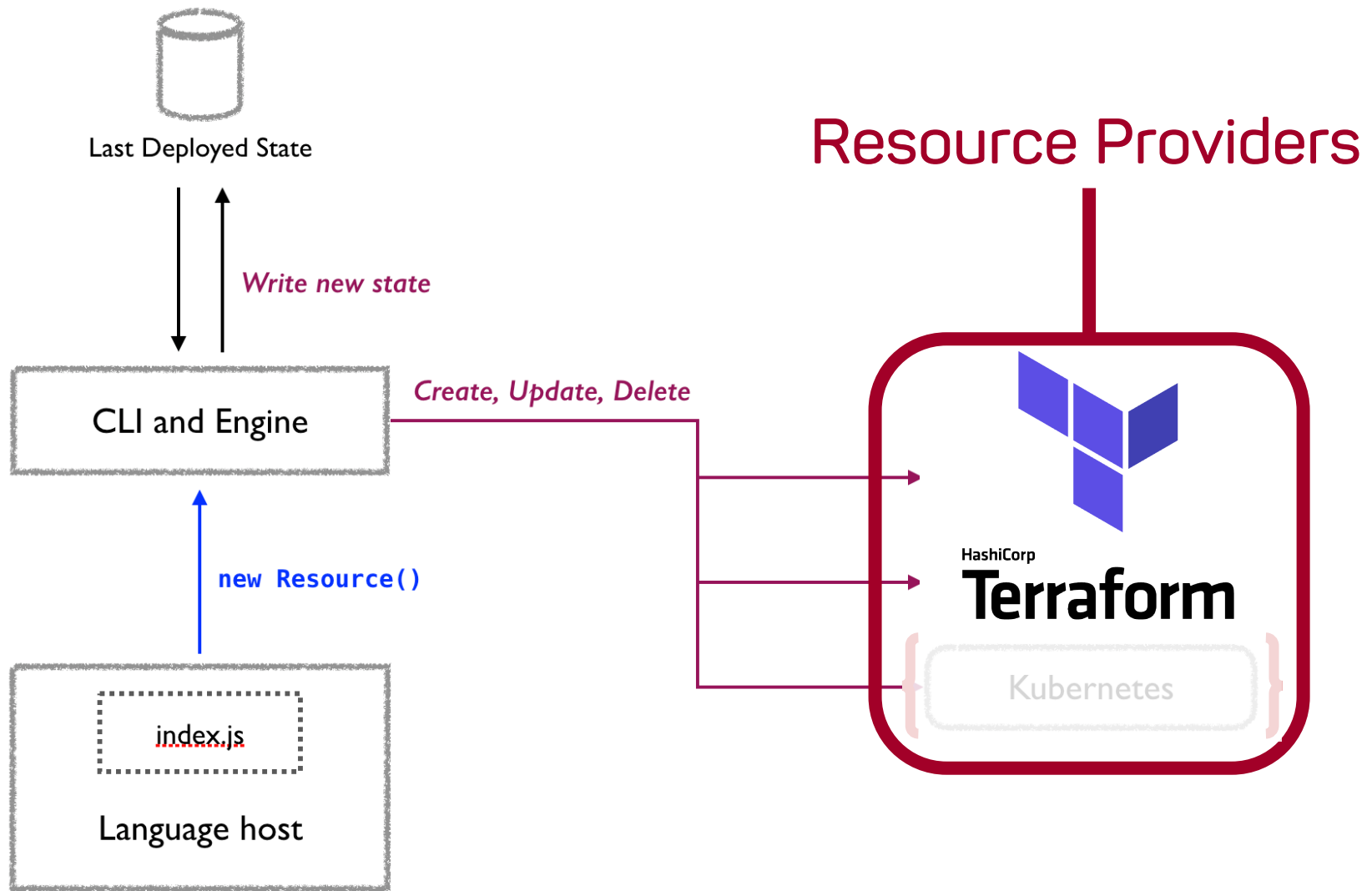
[Docs](#) / [Reference](#) / [API](#) / [@pulumi/aws](#) / elasticsearch


Module elasticsearch

This provider is a derived work of the [Terraform Provider](#) distributed under [MPL 2.0](#). If you encounter a bug or missing feature, first check the [pulumi/pulumi-aws](#) repo; however, if that doesn't turn up anything, please consult the source [terraform-providers/terraform-provider-aws](#) repo.







 = „Terraform
Wrapper“

2019! (except Kubernetes provider)

pulumi.com/docs/intro/vs/terraform/#converting-from-terraform

M30 (December 2019)

- ☐ Custom update and delete hooks (e.g. provisioners)
- ☐ .NET Support
- ☐ Gated Deployments

Backlog

- tf2pulumi support for Python
- Complete support for Go
- Java Support
- High level libraries (like `awsx`) for Azure and GCP
- High level libraries (like `awsx`) for Python
- Overhaul `ccloud` for true cross-cloud infrastructure definition
- **Native Pulumi providers for AWS/Azure/GCP**

github.com/pulumi/pulumi/wiki/Roadmap

Pulumi vs. X





vs.



ANSIBLE

1. Academic comparison
2. Handle configuration drift
3. Current state of my infrastructure?
4. Tools shouldn't suck! (no master!, no agents!)
5. Able to do the job! (all major Clouds & on-premise)

1. Academic comparison

Configuration Management



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Provisioning



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Pulumi is fundamentally different
than these tools and works great
alongside them

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Configuration Management

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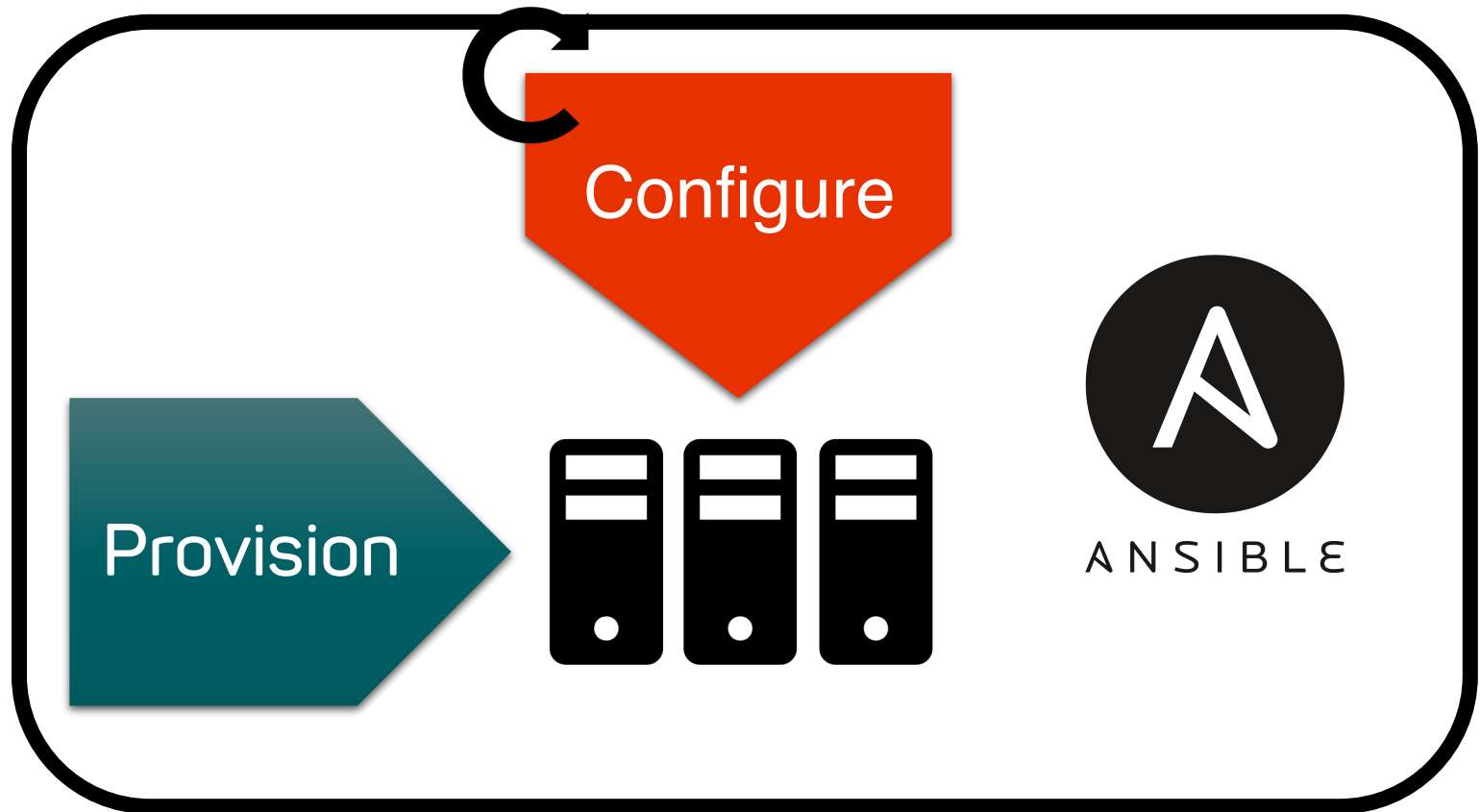
2. How do they handle configuration drift?

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the state of the machine
drifts from the baseline due to
manual changes and updates

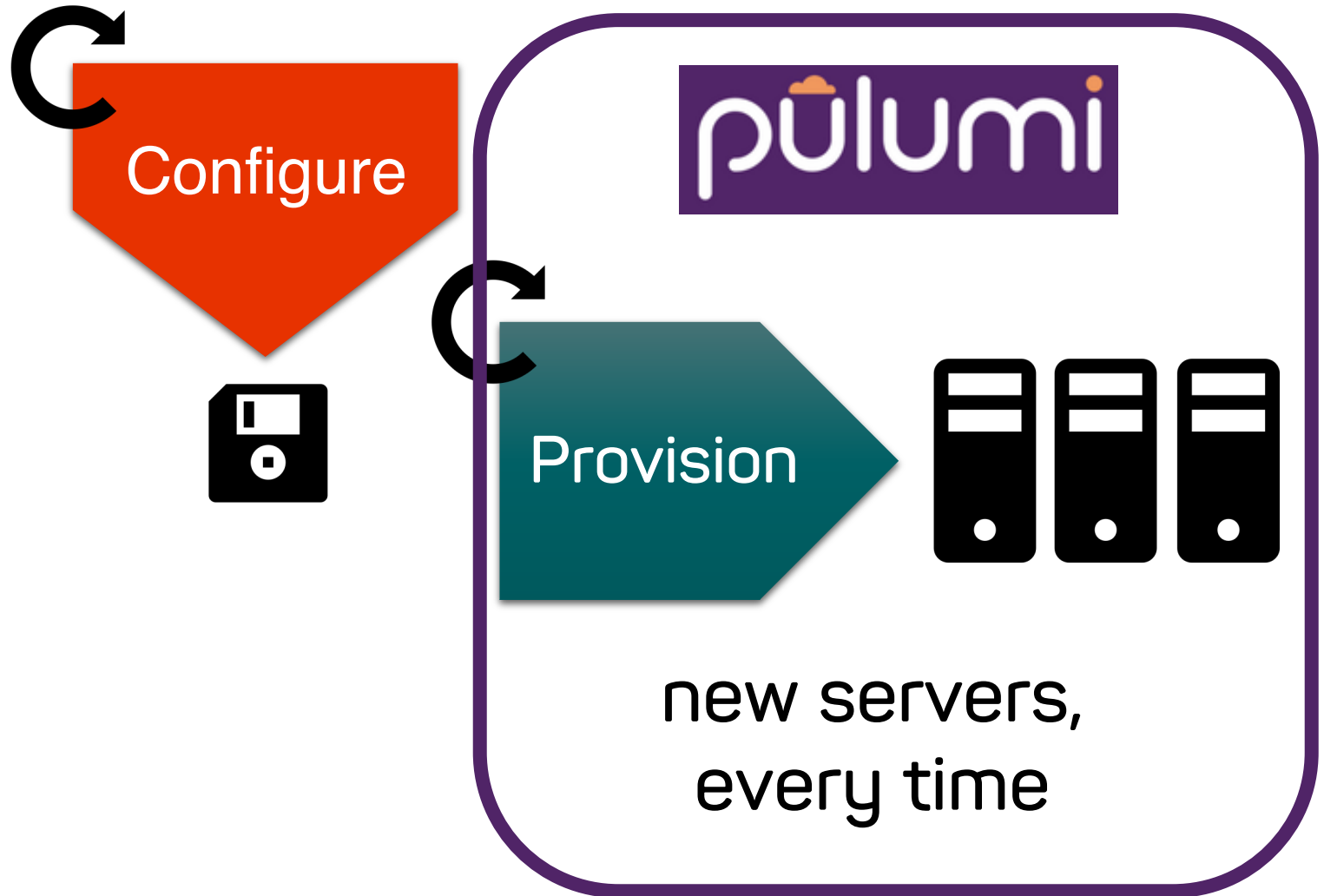
shadow-soft.com/ansible-idempotency-configuration-drift

Mutable Infrastructure



same servers,
changed every time

Immutable Infrastructure

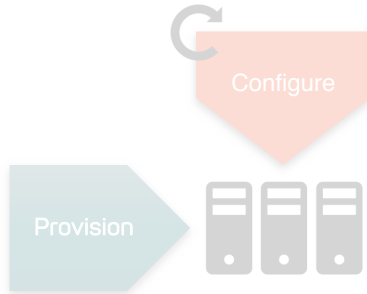


What if we don't allow „manual changes“?

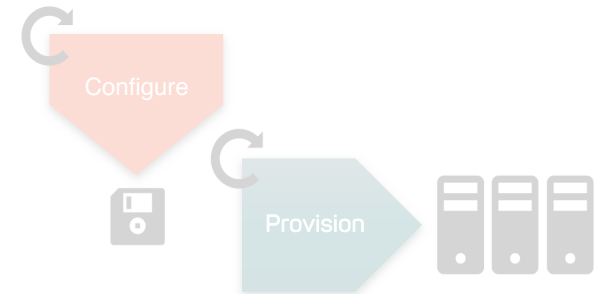
Use software engineering practices
like

Continuous Integration
for your infrastructure code!

Mutable Infrastructure



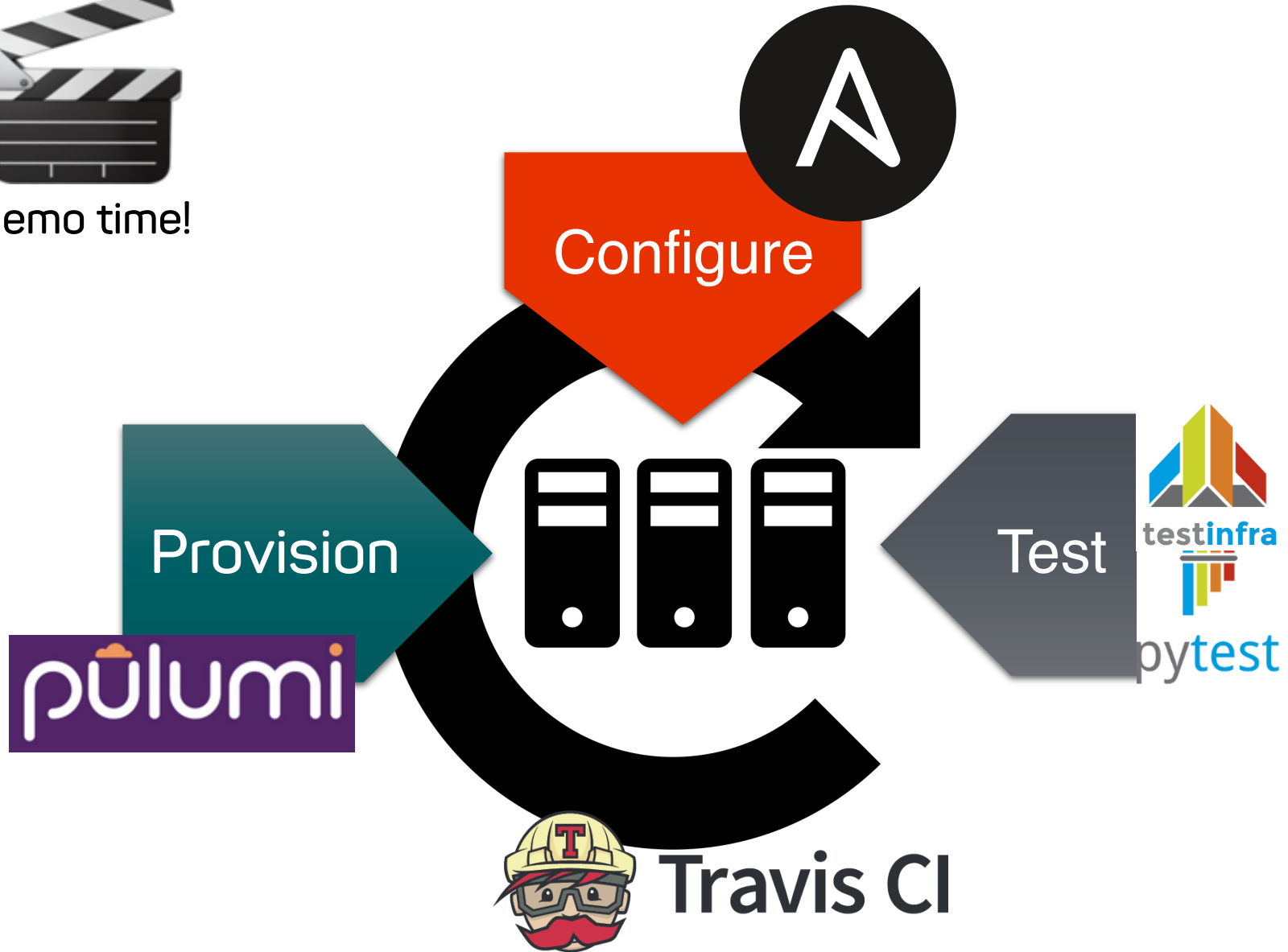
Immutable Infrastructure



Running our Infrastructure code in
CI/CD pipelines, this comparison
become less relevant!



Demo time!



github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-python-aws-ansible

3. Current **state** of my **infrastructure**?

There's this 3rd comparison called Procedural vs.
Declarative...

But remember the
Continuous Integration
thingy?

4. Tools shouldn't suck

(no master!, no agents!)

master

- central place to see status of your infrastructure
- continuously enforce configuration in the background
- extra infrastructure!
- needs to be maintained
- client-2-master & master-2-servers communication needs ports & security

no master

Remember the
Continuous Integration
Thingy again?

master



no master



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Agent needs to be
installed on the
server



No Agent
needed




5. Able to do the job!


(all major Clouds & on-premise)





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**Ansible**
5K Stacks



**Terraform**
2.3K Stacks




**Pulumi**
22 Stacks





Stacks	Followers	Votes
5K	3.6K	1.2K


Stacks	Followers	Votes
2.3K	1.5K	253


Stacks	Followers	Votes
22	28	2



484


1.3K



11.8K



153



103



3.8K



49






40.1K



17.3K



1h






19.4K



5.2K


1d




3.9K


200


7h

stackshare.io/stackups/ansible-vs-terraform-vs-pulumi

 google.com 

 stackoverflow.com 

 documentation 

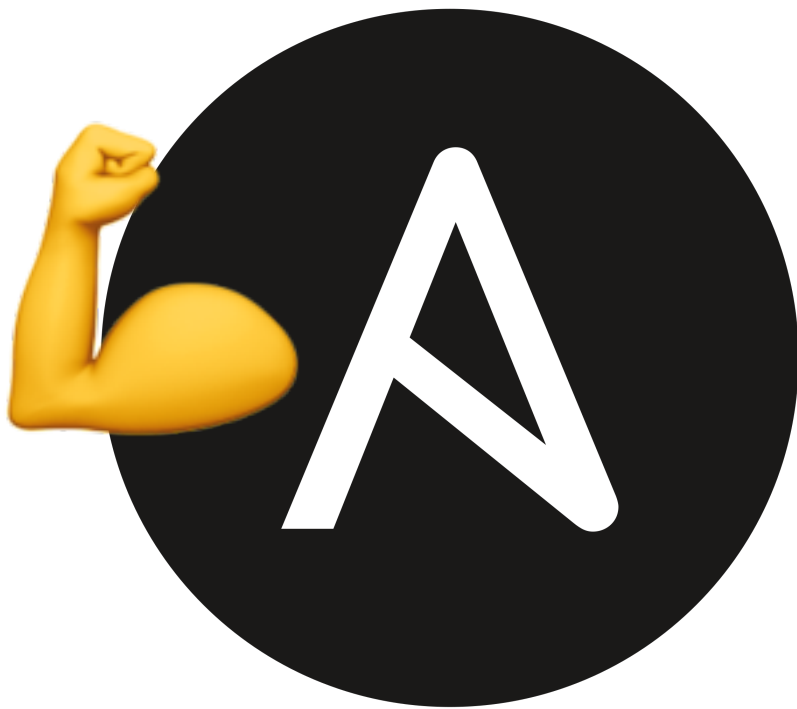
 blog & articles count 

 community size 

 on-premise also 

 Both config mgt. &
provisioning 

🕒 48,130 commits



👤 4,738 contributors

🕒 4,046 commits



👤 51 contributors

One more thing...





FOR AMAZON WEB SERVICES (AWS)



Crosswalk for AWS supports “day one” tasks, such as creating your initial container-based workloads using ECS/Fargate/EKS & serverless workloads (API Gateway / Lambda)

pulumi.com/docs/guides/crosswalk/aws

APPLICATION DELIVERY

Go to production with containers and serverless.

INFRASTRUCTURE PATTERNS

Well-Architected infrastructure for modern applications.

FOUNDATION ALL OF AWS

Unopinionated infrastructure as code for all AWS resources and features.



↑ PRODUCTIVITY
↓ CONTROL

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App: github.com/jonashackt/spring-boot-vuejs

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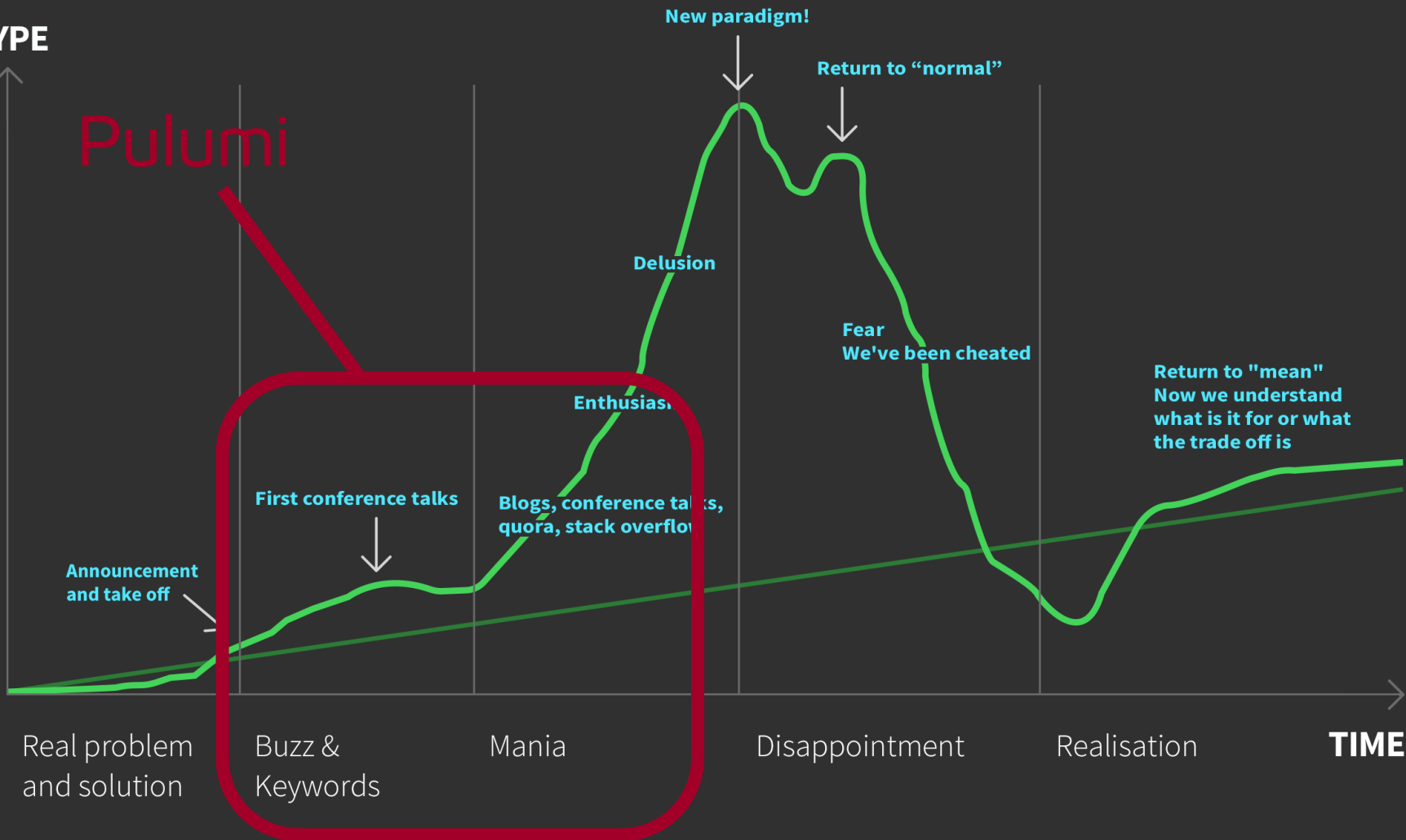
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Summary

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HashiCorp
Terraform



pulumi
crosswalk

FOR AMAZON WEB SERVICES (AWS)



No matter what IaC tool you use...

Treat your infrastructure code
AS CODE!

Use Testframeworks – or even do TDD!

Run Tests automatically - in your
Continuous Integration Pipeline!

Run your infrastructure code frequently!
(scheduled CI jobs)

Always aim for **reproducible builds** (aka
dependency management)

Automatically update dependencies
(e.g. renovatebot)



github.com/jonashackt/pulumi-talk

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