

Infrastructure as Code drifts aren't like Pokemon

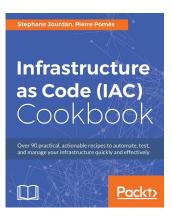
You can't catch them all

MIND THE GAP between the code and the platform

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Agenda

- IaC: How it started (3mn)
- laC: How it's going (6mn)
- Let's drift! (5mn)
- Existing solutions (2mn)
- Driftctl CLI demo! (5mn)
- Q&A (5mn)



Definition

Infrastructure Drift / 'In frəˌstrʌk tʃər drIft /
Noun

1. happens when the reality and the expectations don't match.

Synonyms for Infrastructure Drift

1. omg



PLATO'S REPUBLIC

ABRIDGED AND MODERNIZED

A VISION OF TRUTH, JUSTICE, AND THE IDEAL SOCIETY



A single source of truth!



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Versioning!



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The code is the documentation!



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Immutable Infrastructure!

Skills!



Multi-Cloud!

A single source of truth!

Versioning!

Skills!

Time!

Testing!

The code is the documentation!

GitOps!

Collaboration FTW!

No more local stuff!

CI/CD!

Credentials under control!



"Do not expect Plato's ideal republic"

Marcus Aurelius, Roman Emperor (and hundreds of us in interview)



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- Commits don't include the full scope of change
- The code documents a partial reality (half-blind), borken processes
- No one had time to learn & write IaC tests (and they are too costly to run anyway)
- E_TOO_MANY_TEAMS; async(false);
- People still run terraform on their laptop, full CI/CD setup too complicated
- The move to immutable infrastructure still didn't happen last year, too bad
- My ["boss", "customer", "coworker"] needs full console access for \${REASON}
- All team members aren't still skilled on every laaS provider
- Not everything that has an API is yet under IaC (GitHub etc.)



Drift!



"Drift Car Demo" by iDream_in_Infrared is licensed under CC BY-NC-ND 2.0



Drift!



"Crash at St.Marys Corner - Andrew Beaumont - LDS Alfa Romeo - Glover Trophy practice - Goodwood Revival 2013 - Driver ok" by PSParrot is licensed under CC BY 2.0



But...Terraform plan/apply!

While we use and love Terraform (and other Hashicorp products), Terraform is an excellent provisioner.

But it's not a tool meant to manage what's outside its scope!

And security / compliance tools are another type of software.

Apply complete! Resources: 0 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

Stories!

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Quick AWS IAM Story

How an intern with read-only access ended up with rogue Administrative access and keys

without anyone noticing

```
resource "aws iam user" "intern user" {
 name = "INTERN-${random string.prefix.result}"
 tags = {
   Name = "INTERN-${random_string.prefix.result} User"
resource "aws iam access key" "intern user" {
 user = aws iam user.intern user.name
resource "aws_iam_user_policy_attachment" "intern" {
             = aws iam user.intern user.name
 user
 policy arn = "arn:aws:iam::aws:policy/ReadOnlyAccess"
```

Quick AWS Security Group Story

How an intern with rogue Administrative access opened everything to anyone on IPv4 & IPv6

without anyone noticing

Quick AWS S3 Story

How a scripting issue created a billing nightmare

With only billing noticing

```
resource "aws_s3_bucket" "demo" {
  bucket = "${random_string.prefix.result}-demo"
  acl = "private"
}
```

Existing Solutions

- CI/CD Integration (Jenkins, Terraform Cloud, Atlantis, env0...)
- Static Analysis (Checkov, TFLint, TFSec,...)
- **Testing & Verification** (Terratest, InSpec,...).
- Policy & Compliance (Sentinel,...)



driftctl

Our own open-source solution for drift management



driftctl

- 0/10 drifted from IaC

Our own open-source solution for drift management

```
sjourdan@quadskiff:~/src/qithub.com/cloudskiff/driftctl-demos/demo$ driftctl scan
Scanning AWS on region: us-east-1
Found unmanaged resources:
  aws_iam_policy_attachment:
    - INTERN-w7l7kb-arn:aws:iam::aws:policy/AdministratorAccess
  aws_s3_bucket:
    - fosdem2030
  aws_security_group_rule:
    - sgrule-916627219 (Type: ingress, SecurityGroup: sg-030d0e1b1d3f1a082, Protocol: All, Ports: All, Source: 0.0.0.0/0)
    - sgrule-2402827272 (Type: ingress, SecurityGroup: sg-030d0e1b1d3f1a082, Protocol: All, Ports: All, Source: ::/0)
  aws_iam_access_key:

    AKIASBXWQ3AY3NLTNBMM

Found 15 resource(s)
- 66% coverage
- 10 covered by IaC
- 5 not covered by IaC
- 0 deleted on cloud provider
```

driftctl

Our own open-source solution for drift management

- AWS Support (more to come)
- Terraform State support (local/S3)
- Filtering & Ignore support
- Written in Go
- Apache 2.0 License



About driftctl

Take control of infrastructure drift



FLOSS CLI that tracks, analyzes, prioritizes, and warns of infrastructure drift



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provider "aws" {
  region = "BOGUS"
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resource "aws instance" "vm" {
  ami
                          = "BOGUS"
  instance_type
                          = "BOGUS TOO"
  vpc_security_group_ids = ["123456789"]
                          = "B0GUS"
  key name
  tags = {
   Name
              = "CNCF London Meetup"
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