

Functional Infrastructures

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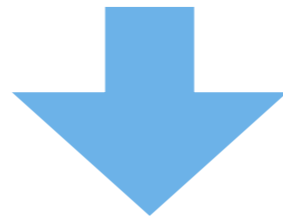
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Infrastructure Automation

- **Write programs that will build and operate computing environments**



- **Increase repeatability and reliability, reduce time and resources**
- **Manage complexity**

Complexity

- **Dev, QA, Perf Tests, Production**
- **Cloud, Containers, VMs, Hardware**
- **Clusters, hot stand-by, replica sets**
- **OS, services**



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Pallet

- **A Functional Infrastructure Automation Platform written in Clojure, 3+ years of development, 30+K lines of code**
- **Design Constraints:**
 - Works in today's environments
 - Scales well with complexity
 - Works everywhere:
 - Cloud, VM, Hardware, Containers...
 - Ubuntu, Centos, RedHat...
 - 1st class support for Clusters
 - Extensible and Embeddable



Managing Complexity

- **Abstractions**
- **Reusable Components**
- **Stateless operation**
- **Purely functional code**
- **Library (vs. a service)**

your domain code

Spec

Plan

Action

Script Lib

Script DSL

```
(println "hello world!")
```



```
echo hello world!
```

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Script DSL

```
(let [files ["a" "b" "c"]]  
  (actions/exec-script  
    (doseq [file ~files]  
      ("ls" @file))))
```



```
for file in a b c; do  
  ls ${file}  
done
```

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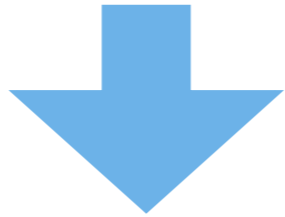
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```
(println (~lib/user-home tbatchelli))
```



Ubuntu:

```
echo $(getent passwd tbatchelli | cut -d: -f6)
```

OSX:

```
echo $(dscl localhost -read \  
    /Local/Default/Users/tbatchelli \  
    dsAttrTypeNative:home | cut -d ' ' -f 2)
```

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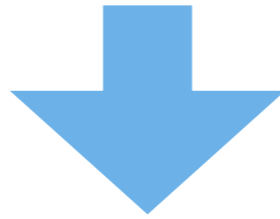
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```
(actions/user "test-user" :groups ["group-a" "group-b"])
```



Ubuntu:

```
if getent passwd test-user;  
  then /usr/sbin/usermod --groups "group-a,group-b" test-user;  
  else /usr/sbin/useradd --groups "group-a,group-b" test-user;  
fi
```

Centos:

```
if getent passwd test-user;  
  then /usr/sbin/usermod -G "group-a,group-b" test-user;  
  else /usr/sbin/useradd -G "group-a,group-b" test-user;  
fi
```

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```
(require '[pallet.crate.java :as java])
```

```
(plan-fn (java/install))
```

where:

```
(defplan install
```

```
  "Install java. OpenJDK installs from system packages by default."
```

```
  [{:keys [instance-id]}]
```

```
  (let [settings
```

```
        (get-settings
```

```
          :java {:instance-id instance-id  
                :default ::no-settings})]
```

```
    (debugf "install settings %s" settings)
```

```
    (crate-install/install :java instance-id)
```

```
    (set-environment (:components settings))))
```

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ACTION: pallet.actions/package of type script executed on target

FORM:

```
(pallet.actions/package ("openjdk-7-jdk"))
```

SCRIPT:

```
| {
| { debconf-set-selections <<EOF
| debconf debconf/frontend select noninteractive
| debconf debconf/frontend seen false
| EOF
| } && apt-get -q -y install openjdk-7-jdk+ && dpkg --get-selections
| } || { echo '#> [install: install]: Packages : FAIL'; exit 1;} >&2
```



ACTION: pallet.actions/exec-script* of type script executed on target

FORM:

```
(pallet.actions/exec-script* "echo 'install: set-environment: system-e...'")
```

SCRIPT:

```
| echo 'install: set-environment: system-envir...' ;
| {
| if ! ( [ -e /etc/environment ] ); then
| { cat > /etc/environment <<EOFpallet
| # environment file created by pallet
| EOFpallet
| }
| fi
| pallet_set_env() {
| k=$1; v=$2; s=$3
| if ! ( grep "${s}" /etc/environment 2>&- ); then
| sed -i -e "/${k}=/ d" /etc/environment && sed -i -e "$ a \\
| ${s}" /etc/environment || exit 1
| fi
| } && vv="$(dirname $(dirname $(update-alternatives --query javac | grep
| ' ')))"
| pallet_set_env "JAVA_HOME" "${vv}" "JAVA_HOME=\"${vv}\""
| } || { echo '#> install: set-environment: system-environment: plan-when: Add java
environment to /etc/environment : FAIL'; exit 1;} >&2
```

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Script DSL

```
(def web-server-node
  (node-spec {:image {:os-family :ubuntu
                    :os-version "10.04"}}
            {:hardware {:cpu-count 12
                       :min-ram (* 64 1024)}}))
```

```
(def web-servers
  (group-spec "web-server"
    :node-spec web-server-node
    :phases
      {:configure (plan-fn
                    (java/install)
                    (tomcat/install))
```

```
(converge
  {web-servers 5}
  :compute-service (compute-service
                    :aws-ec2 ...))
```

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```
(defn web-server-node [cpus ram os-family os-version]
  (node-spec
    {:image {:os-family os-family
             :os-version os-version}}
    {:hardware {:cpu-count cpus
                :min-ram (* ram 1024)}}})
```

```
(defn web-servers [cpus ram os-family os-version]
  (group-spec
    :node-spec
      (web-server-node cpus ram os-family...)
    :phases
      {:configure (plan-fn
                    (java/install)
                    (tomcat/install))})
  (converge {(web-servers 12 32 :centos "6.3")}
    :compute-service
      (compute-service :aws-ec2))
```

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```
(def platforms [[:centos "6.3"]
                [:ubuntu "10.04"]
                [:rhel "7"]])
```

```
(defn webservers-to-build [ps]
  (zipmap (map (fn [[os-family os-version]]
                (web-servers 12 32
                             os-family os-version)))
          ps)
  (repeat 1)))
```

```
(converge (webservers-to-build platforms)
          :compute-service ec2)
```

```
(converge (webservers-to-build platforms)
          :compute-service virtualbox)
```

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```
(require '[pallet.crate.cassandra :as cassandra])

(group-spec cassandra
  :node-spec {:hardware {:cpu-count 12
                        :min-ram (* 64 1024)}}
  :extends [(cassandra/server-spec {})])

(converge {cassandra 6} :compute aws-ec2)
(converge {cassandra 3} :compute virtualbox)
```

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`plan = lift (current, plan-fns)`

`plan` = `lift`(`current`,
`plan-fns`)

`desired
system` = `exec`(`plan`)

Data

- **Data allows to perform heavy lifting operations very simply**
- **Data is easy to test, inspect, debug, log**
- **Defer execution as much as possible**
- **Pallet internals are built around data manipulation**
 - Coupling between components is data
 - All intermediate representation is data, until right before the execution



Where are we now?

- **Functional and programmatic infrastructure automation**
- **Works on most cloud providers and target OSs (as long as they're *nix)**
- **Build complex and flexible clusters**
- **Fast development paths**
- **Easy to build your domain abstractions on infrastructure**
- **Sometimes we wish we had static typing...**





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