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## cdist cloud configuration

configuration as a service

# Who's that guy?



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# Configuration

A configuration is set of parameters with values that describes a target state.

# Configuration Examples

- **Virtual machine** web01 runs on host42
- **Backup** for web01 contains /home
- **User** “app” exists on web01
- **Application Server** Ruby on Rails is installed on web01
- **Load Balancing is configured** for web01 .. web20 Servers

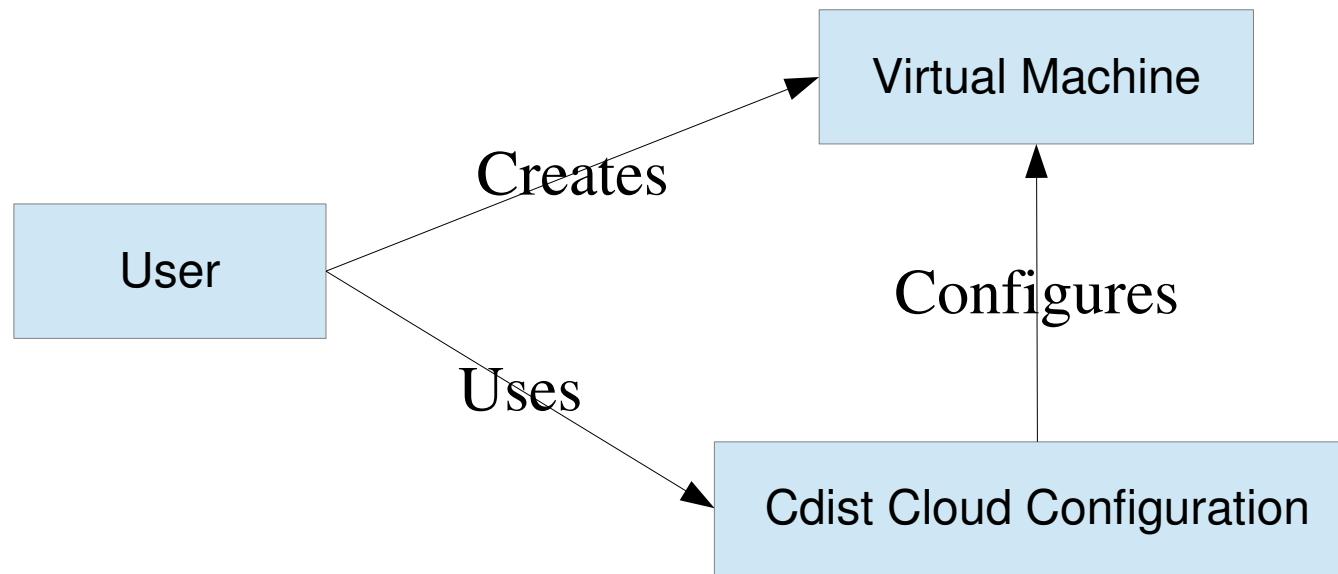
# History

- Manual Configurations (~1960)
- Configuration Management (~1993)
- Configuration as a Service (CaaS) (2014)

# CaaS (2014)

Configuration as a Service (CaaS)

# cdi.st cloud configuration



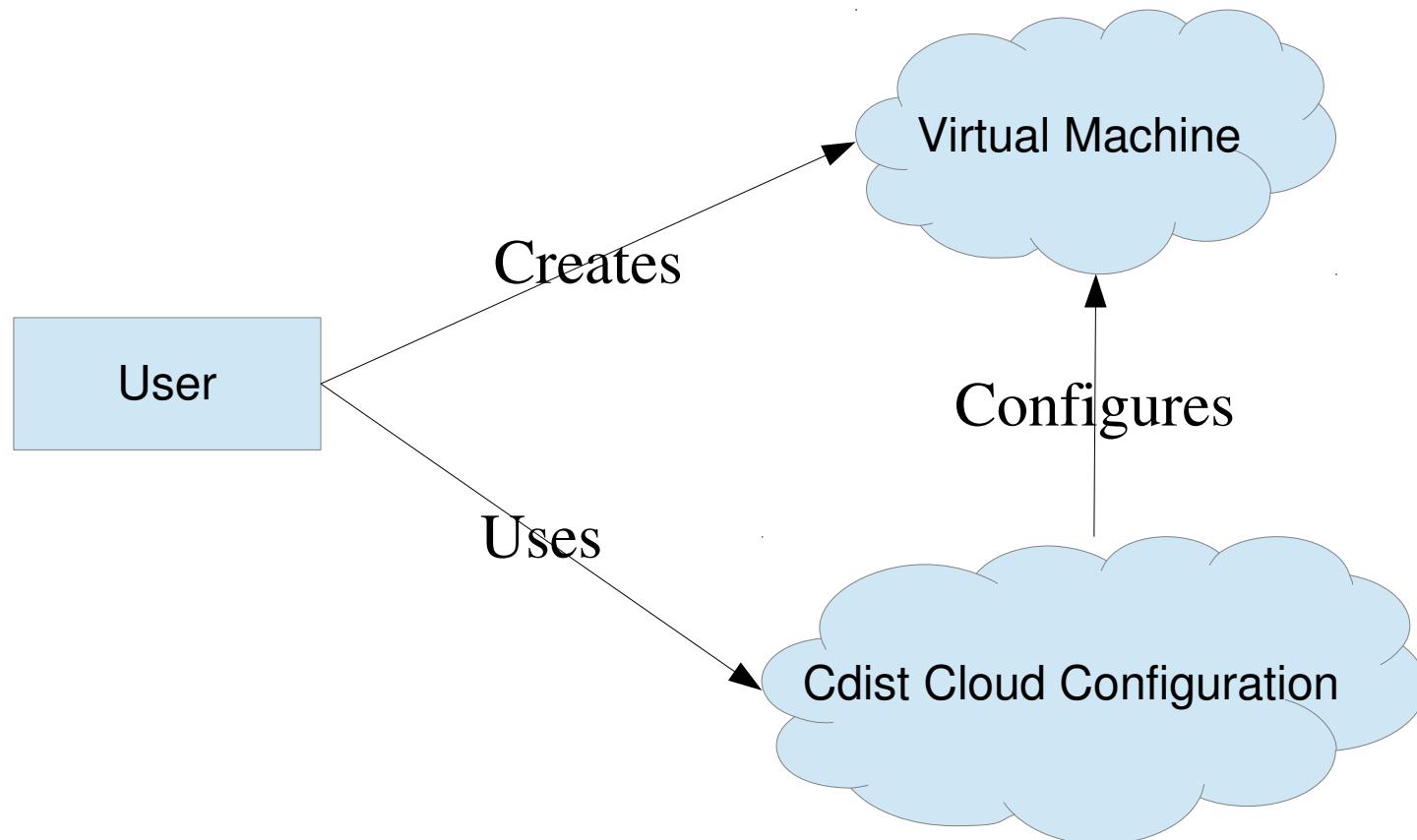
# Motivation

- Enable users to configure their systems
- Reduce complexity
- Focus on core competences
- Cloud Services are accepted

# Enable Users

No System Engineer required

# Enable Users



# Reduce Complexity

## Past

- Users depend on System Engineer
- Lot of knowledge required
- Investment into development

## CaaS

- User can configure themself
- User defines target state
- Reuse existing configurations

# cdi.st preview

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Welcome to cdi.st cloud configuration.

cdi.st will totally change your experience of configuring your UNIX/Linux servers. No more hassle with configuration files, we configure your systems.

You can try out cdi.st with 2 configuration runs and once you want more, you can buy as many runs as you want.

# cdi.st preview

The image shows a sign-in form with a light gray header bar. Below it, the word "Sign in" is centered in a large, bold, dark font. Underneath, there are two input fields: one for "Email" containing "dummy@cdi.st" and another for "Password" showing a series of six dots. A "Remember me" checkbox is checked and followed by the text "Remember me". At the bottom, a "Sign in" button is centered within a light gray rectangular area.

Sign in

Email

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Password

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Remember me

Sign in

[Sign up](#)

[Forgot your password?](#)

[Didn't receive confirmation instructions?](#)

[Didn't receive unlock instructions?](#)

# cdi.st preview

Host successfully updated

## Host List

Configure	Host	Configuration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Test Computer	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>

[Edit Checked](#)

1 configuration run needed

# Configuration Backend

% **cdist config -v localhost**

INFO: localhost: Running global explorers

INFO: localhost: Running initial manifest

/home/users/nico/.tmp/tmp89xo\_\_/out/conf/manifest/init

INFO: localhost: Running object manifests and type explorers

INFO: localhost: Running manifest and explorers for \_\_file/tmp/cdist-rocks

**INFO: localhost: Running manifest and explorers for \_\_speech/tmp/speech**

**INFO: localhost: Running manifest and explorers for \_\_file/tmp/speech**

INFO: localhost: Generating and executing code

INFO: Resolving dependencies...

INFO: localhost: Generating and executing code for \_\_file/tmp/cdist-rocks

**INFO: localhost: Generating and executing code for \_\_file/tmp/speech**

**INFO: localhost: Generating and executing code for \_\_speech/tmp/speech**

INFO: localhost: Finished successful run in 4.90235710144043 seconds

INFO: Total processing time for 1 host(s): 5.402170896530151

% **cat /tmp/speech**

The speech is green today!

# Business Case

Everyone needs configurations.

# Services

- Configuration as a Service (cdi.st)
- Development of new configurations (cdi.st)
- Design of Linux/Unix Infrastructures
- Consulting

# Software Stack

- Configuration Management **cdist**
  - FOSS
  - OpenSSH, Python 3, Shell
- Cloud Service **cdi.st**
  - Closed source during market introduction
- **No vendor lockin!**

# Market Positioning



# Advantages

- Agile workflow
- Self Service
- Less knowledge required
- Less costs
  - No System Engineer
  - No Development
  - Reduced complexity

# Questions?

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