Automated deployment for better return on investment

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PAVICS (Platform for the Analysis and Visualization of Climate Science)





- Climate Science as a Service
- Project started in 2016
- Ouranos, CRIM, UofT and PCIC





• Funding: Canarie, ECCC, CEDA, DACCS





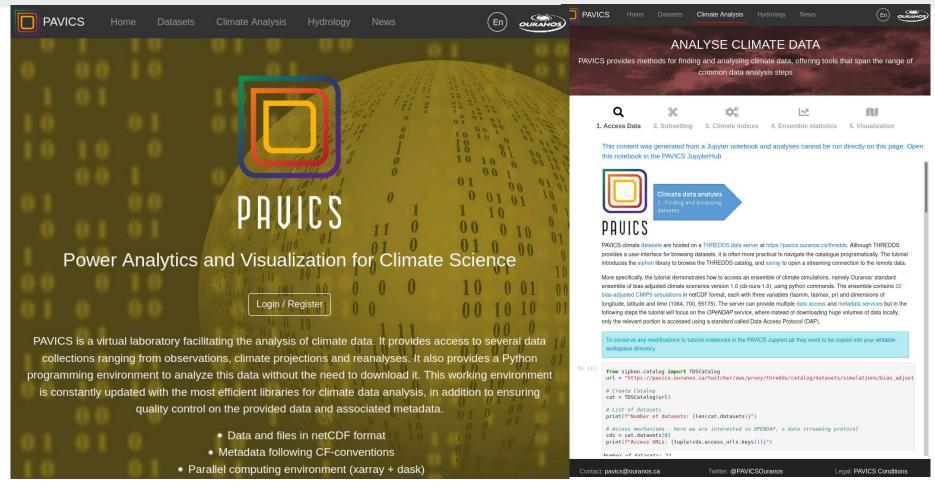






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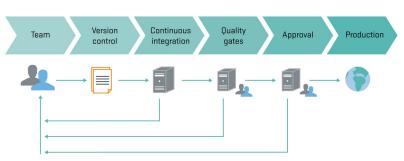
PAVICS homepage



Cashing in with automated deployment

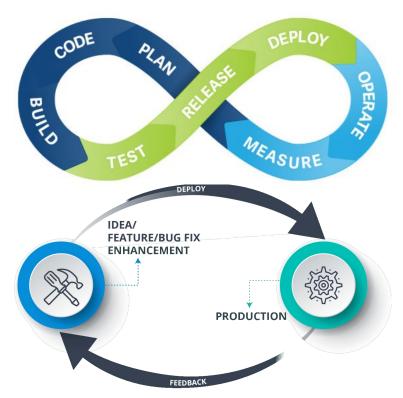
- Order online, getting ROI only when order arrives
- Car dealer, getting ROI only when car is sold
- Time spent fixing bugs, implementing feature, getting ROI only when end user actually gets it (deployed, in production). A package or build not deployed is like a car unsold, still in the dealer parking lot, taking up space.





Automated deployment advantages

- Can deploy much more frequently
 PAVICS try to deploy nightly
- Smaller changes go into productio
 = less surprise = less stress
 - Each PR is almost deployed by itself, unless 2 PR merged in same day
- If something goes wrong, root cause is much easier to find/revert



Automated deployment advantages for Devs

- Since a PR merge means a deployment, Devs basically have deployment privilege without needing access to production server
- Autonomy: Devs have full control of what and when to deploy, without needing to wait on someone





Automated deployment advantages for Org

- Resilience: increase the bus factor: more than one person can perform the deployment
- Traceability: automated deployment have logs, instead of being done by someone, from his personal machine without any trace



Automated deployment advantages for DevOps

- Less interruption
- Can focus on upgrading other components, delegating upgrade of in-house components to Devs
- Avoid being the bottleneck slowing others down
- Have freedom to take off anytime



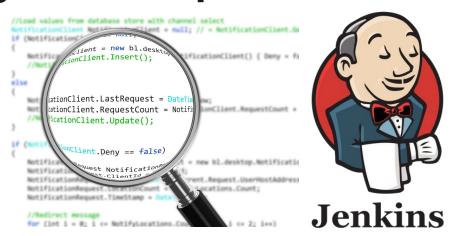






Automated deployment requirements

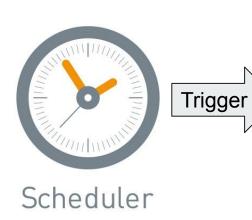
- Rigorous code review
- Comprehensive integration test suite
 - PAVICS tests real user end to end workflow using notebooks
- Which means reproducible deployment for testing
 - PAVICS has Vagrant support for spawning a complete VM locally
 - PAVICS has a staging server that checks for deployment every 5 minutes so we can catch error almost instantly after a PR merge







How we did it



Autodeploy from git repos

Detect new commits

Stop Server

Pull

Deploy new code

For all repos

If at least one repo has new commit on same branch, continue Stop before pull to use current code matching current old state

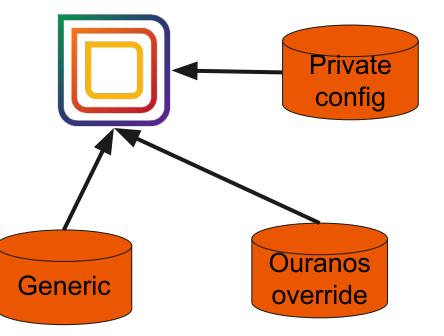
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PAVICS platform deployment

 Platform is made of 3 git repos

Plugable

Infrastructure-as-code



PAVICS other deploy jobs

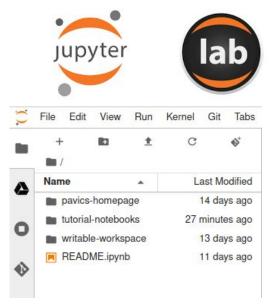
- NcML and testdata on Thredds
- The homepage
- Tutorial notebooks in JupyterLab
- GEPS forecast (ECCC)











Questions?

- Contact: <u>vu.long@ouranos.ca</u>
- PAVICS: https://pavics.ouranos.ca
- Resources:
 - Deployment: https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy-ouranos
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 - Test: https://github.com/Ouranosinc/PAVICS-e2e-workflow-tests

- Deployment if new changes on server:
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blob/1.13.9/birdhouse/deployment/triggerdeploy.sh and deployment/deploy.sh
- Triggered nightly by cronjob:
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blob/1.13.9/birdhouse/components/scheduler/config.yml.template
 scheduler/docker-compose-extra.yml
- All config centralized in
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blob/1.13.9/birdhouse/env.local.example

- Documentation:
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/tree/ /1.13.9/birdhouse/components#scheduler
- Vagrantfile and config:
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blo b/1.13.9/Vagrantfile and vagrant_variables.yml.example
- Battle tested, in production more than a year

- Generic deployment any files from any git repos
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blo b/1.13.9/birdhouse/deployment/deploy-data and https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blo b/1.13.9/birdhouse/deployment/deploy-data.config.s ample.yml
- Testdata deployment
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy/blo b/1.13.9/birdhouse/env.local.example#L176-L198

- Homepage and tutorial notebook deployment
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy-our anos/blob/5dd7608e0639feec4b70cdee6325fad137 bc5993/scheduler-jobs/deploy pavics landing noteb ooks.yml
- Trigger other scripts (GEPS forecast)
 - https://github.com/bird-house/birdhouse-deploy-our anos/blob/5dd7608e0639feec4b70cdee6325fad137 bc5993/scheduler-jobs/retrieve_geps_forecasts.yml