
Lab Exercise 4– Terraform Variables

Objective:

Learn how to define and use variables in Terraform configuration.

Prerequisites:

- Install Terraform on your machine.

Steps:

1. Create a Terraform Directory:

- Create a new directory for your Terraform project.

```
mkdir terraform-variables
```

```
cd terraform-variables
```

2. Create a Terraform Configuration File:

- Create a file named main.tf within your project directory.

main.tf

```
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-west-2"
}
resource "aws_instance" "example" {
  ami = "ami-03f4878755434977f"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
}

provider "aws" {
  region = var.region
}
resource "aws_instance" "example" {
  ami = var.ami
instance_type = var.instance_type
}
```

3. Define Variables:

- Open a new file named variables.tf. Define variables for region, ami, and instance_type.

variables.tf

```
variable "region" {  
    description = "AWS region"  
    default     = "us-west-2"  
}  
  
variable "ami" {  
    description = "AMI ID"  
    type        = string  
    default     = "ami-03f4878755434977f"  
}
```

```
variable "instance_type" {  
    description = "EC2 Instance Type"  
    default     = "t2.micro"  
}
```

4. Use Variables in main.tf:

- Modify main.tf to use the variables.

main.tf

```
resource "aws_instance" "example" {  
    ami = var.ami  
    instance_type = var.instance_type  
}
```

5. Initialize and Apply:

- Run the following Terraform commands to initialize and apply the configuration.

terraform apply

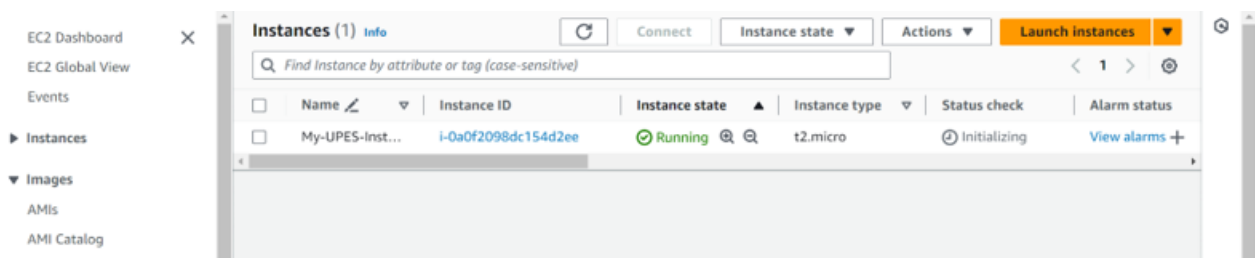
Observe how the region changes based on the variable override.

```
Note: You didn't use the -out option to save this plan, so Terraform can't guarantee to take exactly these actions if you run "terraform apply" now.
PS C:\Users\anshi\OneDrive\Desktop\DevOps\Sem6\SMCP\Lab Files\TERRAFORM LAB SCRIPTS> terraform apply

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
+ create

Terraform will perform the following actions:

# aws_instance.My-Instnace[0] will be created
+ resource "aws_instance" "My-Instnace" {
  + ami                        = "ami-008fe2fc65df48dac"
  + arn                       = (known after apply)
  + associate_public_ip_address = (known after apply)
  + availability_zone          = (known after apply)
  + cpu_core_count             = (known after apply)
  + cpu_threads_per_core       = (known after apply)
  + disable_api_stop           = (known after apply)
  + disable_api_termination    = (known after apply)
  + ebs_optimized              = (known after apply)
  + get_password_data          = false
  + host_id                   = (known after apply)
  + host_resource_group_arn    = (known after apply)
  + iam_instance_profile       = (known after apply)
  + id                         = (known after apply)
  + instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
  + instance_lifecycle         = (known after apply)
  + instance_state             = (known after apply)
  + instance_type              = "t2.micro"
```



6. Clean Up:

After testing, you can clean up resources.

terraform destroy

```
PS C:\Users\anshi\OneDrive\Desktop\DevOps\Sem6\SMCP\Lab Files\TERRAFORM LAB SCRIPTS> terraform destroy
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Refreshing state... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee]

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the
following symbols:
- destroy

Terraform will perform the following actions:

# aws_instance.My-Instnace[0] will be destroyed
```

Confirm the destruction by typing yes.

```
Enter a value: yes

aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Destroying... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee]
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Still destroying... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee, 10s elapsed]
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Still destroying... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee, 20s elapsed]
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Still destroying... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee, 30s elapsed]
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Still destroying... [id=i-0a0f2098dc154d2ee, 40s elapsed]
aws_instance.My-Instnace[0]: Destruction complete after 44s

Destroy complete! Resources: 1 destroyed.
```