AWS Infrastructure Automation

Terraform and CloudFormation Project

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Project Overview

Multi-Service AWS Infrastructure Deployment

Project Scope

- Infrastructure as Code (IaC) using Terraform and CloudFormation
- Multi-service environment with S3, EC2, and RDS
- Best practices for modularity and reusability
- Live demo showcasing resource provisioning

Technology Stack

Terraform

- HashiCorp's Infrastructure as Code tool
- Declarative configuration
- State management and versioning

CloudFormation

- AWS native IaC service
- YAML-based templates
- Integrated with AWS services

Architecture Overview

- VPC: Custom network with CIDR 10.0.0.0/16
- **Subnets**: Multi-AZ deployment (us-east-1a, us-east-1b)
- **Services**: S3, EC2, RDS across availability zones

Task 1: S3 Bucket Setup

Terraform Requirements

- 4 Private S3 Buckets
- V No public access
- Versioning enabled (Bonus)

CloudFormation Requirements

- **3** Private S3 Buckets
- V PublicAccessBlockConfiguration
- Versioning enabled (Bonus)

Task 2: VPC and EC2 Instance

Terraform Implementation

- Custom VPC with dynamic variables
- **V** EC2 instance with public IP
- SSH access on port 22
- Dynamic AMI selection

CloudFormation Implementation

- YAML-based configuration
- IGW and Route Tables
- Public IP output

Task 3: RDS Instance Deployment

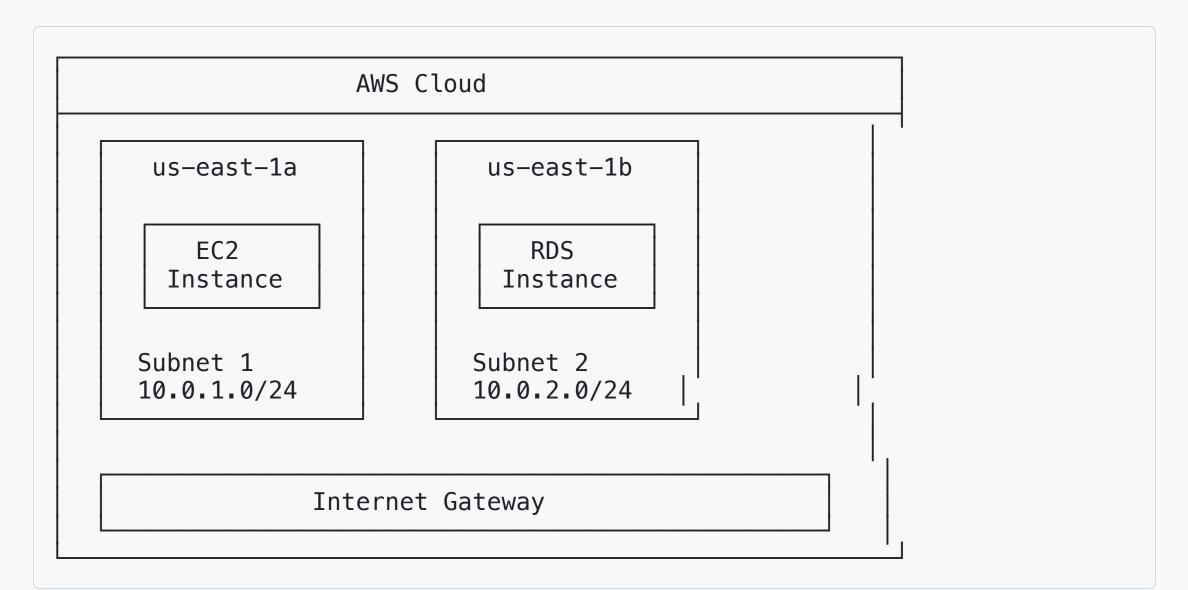
Terraform Features

- MySQL RDS with db.t3.micro
- V Dynamic database credentials
- Dedicated DB Subnet Group

CloudFormation Features

- V YAML template deployment
- Public access enabled
- Security groups for port 3306

Multi-AZ Design Architecture



Terraform Configuration Structure

```
@Terraform/
— main.tf  # Main infrastructure configuration
— variables.tf  # Variable definitions
— terraform.tfvars  # Variable values
— provider.tf  # AWS provider configuration
— backend.tf  # State management
— terraform.tfstate # State file (local storage)
```

CloudFormation Template Structure

```
@CloudFormat/
— ec2-vpc.yaml # EC2 and VPC resources
— rds-instance.yaml # RDS database configuration
— s3-buckets.yaml # S3 bucket resources
```

Deployment Order - CloudFormation

- **!** Critical: Stacks must be deployed in this specific order due to dependencies:
 - 1. EC2-VPC Stack (creates VPC and subnets)
 - 2. RDS Stack (depends on subnet outputs)
 - 3. **S3 Stack** (independent, can deploy anytime)

Terraform Deployment Commands

```
cd @Terraform
terraform init  # Initialize backend
terraform plan  # Preview changes
terraform apply  # Deploy infrastructure
terraform destroy  # Cleanup resources
```

CloudFormation Deployment Commands

```
# 1. Deploy EC2-VPC Stack
aws cloudformation create-stack \
  --stack-name ray-ec2-vpc-stack \
  --template-body file://@CloudFormat/ec2-vpc.yaml \
  --parameters ParameterKey=RayProjectName, ParameterValue=ray-infrastructure
# 2. Deploy RDS Stack
aws cloudformation create-stack \
  --stack-name ray-rds-stack \
  --template-body file://@CloudFormat/rds-instance.yaml
# 3. Deploy S3 Stack
aws cloudformation create-stack \
  --stack-name ray-s3-stack \
  --template-body file://@CloudFormat/s3-buckets.yaml
```

Best Practices Implemented

- **W** Dynamic Configuration
 - Variables files (variables.tf, .tfvars)
 - CloudFormation Parameters
 - No hardcoded values
- Modularity
 - Separate templates for each service
 - Reusable configurations
 - Clean code structure

Best Practices Implemented (Cont.)

Security

- Private S3 buckets
- Proper security groups
- VPC isolation

✓ State Management

- Local Terraform state
- CloudFormation stack management
- Resource tracking

Key Features & Challenges

Features

- Multi-AZ architecture
- Automated deployment
- Comprehensive documentation

Challenges

- CloudFormation dependency management
- RDS multi-AZ requirements
- Proper subnet group configuration

Live Demo Agenda

1. Terraform Deployment

- terraform init → terraform plan → terraform apply
- Show resource creation in AWS Console

2. CloudFormation Deployment

- Deploy stacks in order
- Verify resource creation

3. Resource Verification

- S3 buckets with versioning
- EC2 instance with public IP
- RDS instance running

Resource Verification Checklist

S3 Buckets

- 4 Terraform buckets created
- 3 CloudFormation buckets created
- Versioning enabled on all
- No public access

EC2 & VPC

- Custom VPC created
- EC2 instance running
- Public IP accessible
- SSH connectivity

Cleanup Commands

```
# Terraform Cleanup
cd @Terraform
terraform destroy

# CloudFormation Cleanup
aws cloudformation delete-stack --stack-name ray-s3-stack
aws cloudformation delete-stack --stack-name ray-rds-stack
aws cloudformation delete-stack --stack-name ray-ec2-vpc-stack
```

Thank You!

Questions & Live Demo

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