



IaC and Network Insights API

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Infrastructure as Code

What it is

- Use Infrastructure as Code to provision and manage any cloud, infrastructure, or service
- Write declarative configuration files – define desired state
- Plan and predict changes
- Create reproducible infrastructure – if resource already exists, it won't recreate it
- Maintains knowledge of resources in a database called **State**
 - State maps config to real world

Aviatrix Terraform Provider

- Multi-lingual entity responsible for API interactions with CSPs
- Exposes resources in those CSPs for any account/subscription that has been onboarded
- Feature parity with Controller code

The screenshot shows the Terraform Registry page for the 'aviatrix' provider. The page is titled 'Aviatrix Provider' and includes a search bar, navigation tabs for 'Providers', 'AviatrixSystems', and 'aviatrix'. The 'aviatrix' tab is selected, showing a list of resources on the left and a detailed description on the right. The description states: 'The Aviatrix provider is used to interact with the many resources supported by Aviatrix, which can be built upon various cloud infrastructure providers such as AWS, Azure, Google Cloud, and Oracle Cloud. It needs to be configured with the proper credentials before it can be used.' Below this, there is a 'NOTE' box with a warning icon, stating: 'Although version is an optional argument, we highly recommend users to specify the proper Aviatrix provider release version corresponding to their Controller version in order to avoid potential compatibility issues. Please see the [compatibility chart](#) for full details. For more information on versioning, a native Terraform provider argument, see [here](#).' At the bottom, there is an 'Example Usage' section with a code block showing the configuration for the 'aviatrix' provider.

```
# Configure Aviatrix provider
provider "aviatrix" {
  controller_ip    = "1.2.3.4"
  username         = "admin"
  password         = "password"
  skip_version_validation = false
  version          = "2.5.0"
}
```

Aviatrix Terraform Resources – Examples

- # Create an Aviatrix AWS Gateway

```
resource "aviatrix_gateway"
"test_gateway_aws" {

    cloud_type    = 1

    account_name = "devops-aws"

    gw_name      = "avtx-gw-1"
    vpc_id       = "vpc-abcdef"
    vpc_reg      = "us-west-1"
    gw_size      = "t2.micro"

    subnet       = "10.0.0.0/24"

}
```

- # Create an Aviatrix Azure Gateway

```
resource "aviatrix_gateway"
"test_gateway_azure" {

    cloud_type    = 8

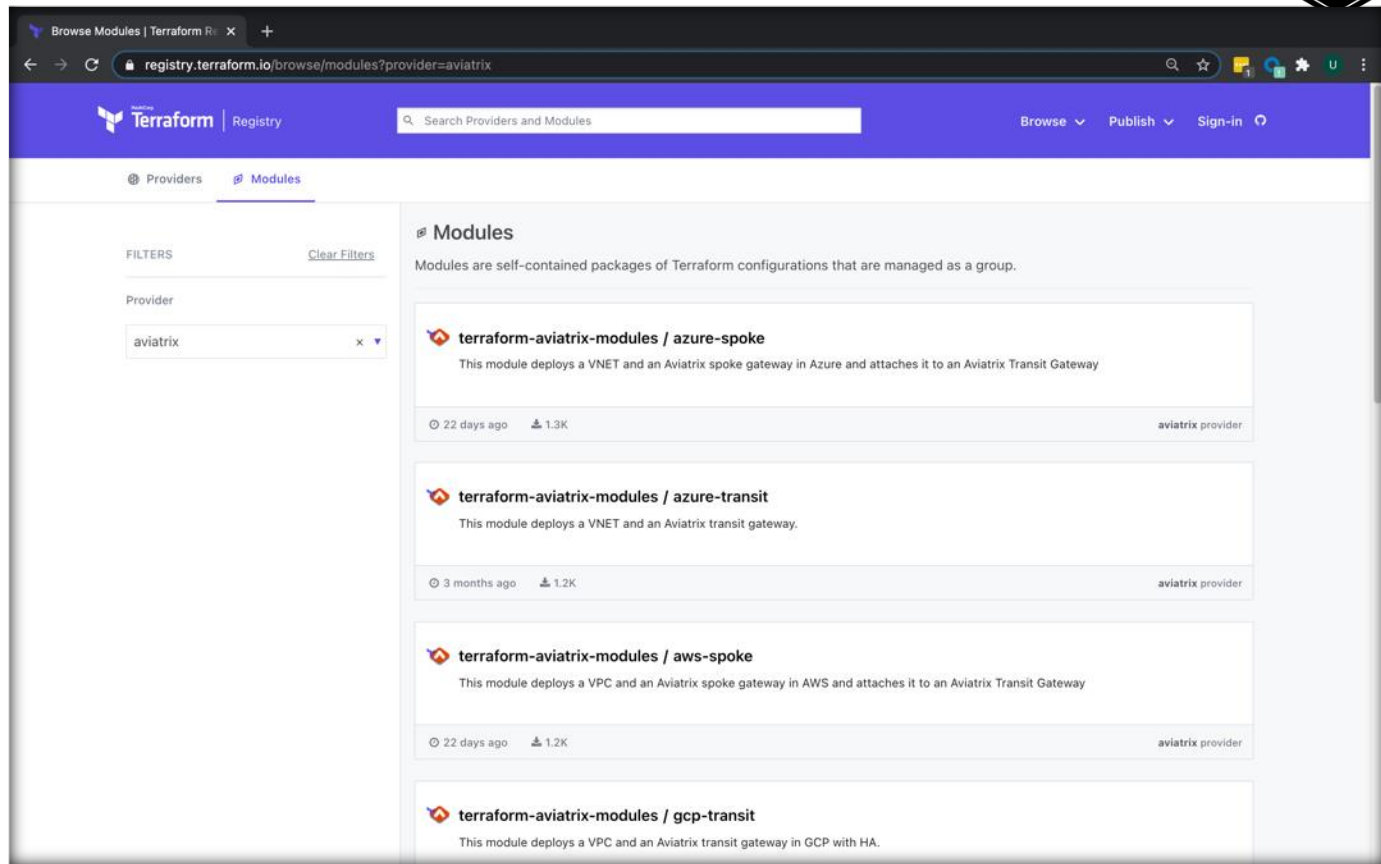
    account_name = "devops-azure"

    gw_name      = "avtx-gw-azure"
    vpc_id       = "gateway:test-gw-123"
    vpc_reg      = "West US"
    gw_size      = "Standard_D2"
    subnet       = "10.13.0.0/24"

}
```

Aviatrix Terraform Modules

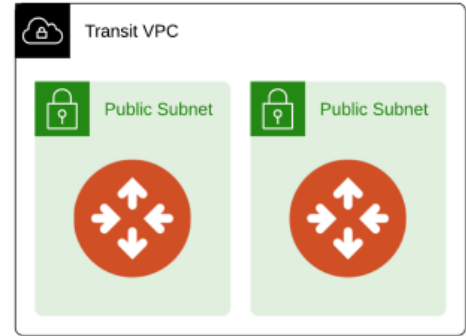
- ***“Repeatable++”***
- Similar to the concepts of libraries, packages, or modules found in most programming languages
- Provide many of the same benefits
- ~10X reduction in lines of code
- Can be found on Terraform Registry



Aviatrix Terraform Module – Example

- # Create a VPC and a set of Aviatrix transit gateways.

```
module "transit_aws_1" {  
    source = "terraform-aviatrix-modules/mc-transit/aviatrix"  
    version = "1.1.2"  
    cloud = "aws"  
    cidr = "10.1.0.0/20"  
    region = "eu-west-1"  
    account = "AWS-account"  
}  
  
ha_gw set to true by default
```

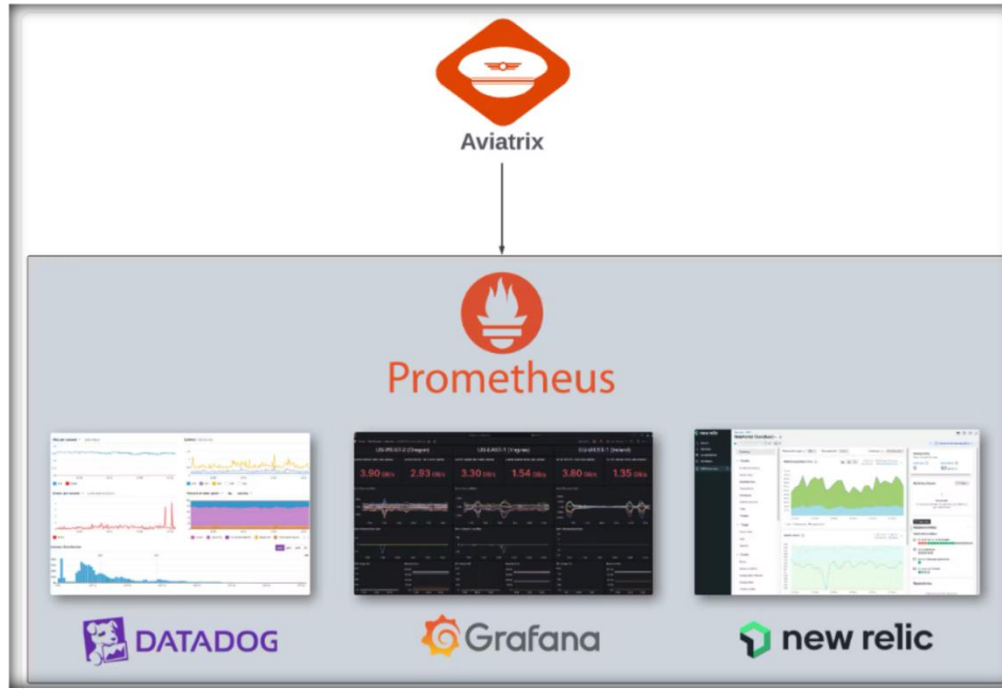




Network Insights API

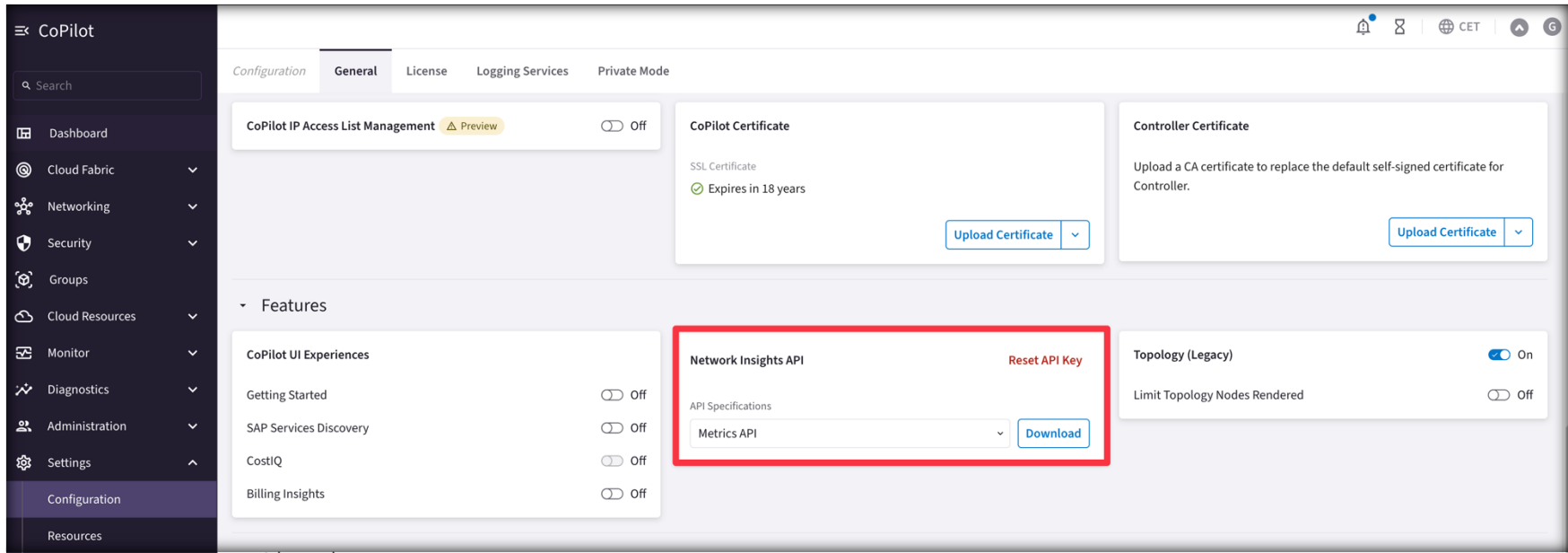
Network Insights API (part.1)

- The Aviatrix Network Insights API allows you to retrieve network metric and status data across your Aviatrix data plane. Using the metric and status APIs, you can integrate with **third-party tools** for data analysis and visualization of the performance and health of your Aviatrix-managed resources. The APIs also support data retention for compliance.



Network Insights API (part.2)

- The Network Insights API supports **Prometheus** and JSON formats. All data transmissions are encrypted using industry-standard protocols.
- An **API key** is used to authenticate requests for your Aviatrix services.
 - The Aviatrix API uses port 443, the same port as the CoPilot UI. Ensure that port 443 is accessible and not restricted by any Security Groups.



The screenshot displays the 'CoPilot' configuration interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: Dashboard, Cloud Fabric, Networking, Security, Groups, Cloud Resources, Monitor, Diagnostics, Administration, Settings, Configuration (highlighted), and Resources. The main content area has tabs for 'Configuration', 'License', 'Logging Services', and 'Private Mode'. Under 'Configuration', there are several sections: 'CoPilot IP Access List Management' (Preview, Off), 'CoPilot Certificate' (SSL Certificate, Expires in 18 years, Upload Certificate button), 'Controller Certificate' (Upload a CA certificate to replace the default self-signed certificate for Controller, Upload Certificate button), 'Features' (expanded), 'CoPilot UI Experiences' (Getting Started, SAP Services Discovery, CostIQ, Billing Insights, all Off), 'Network Insights API' (highlighted with a red box, showing 'Metrics API' selected and a 'Download' button, with a 'Reset API Key' link), and 'Topology (Legacy)' (Limit Topology Nodes Rendered, On/Off toggle).



Next: Lab 12 - Terraform and
Network Insights API