

Day 63 - Terraform Variables

variables in Terraform are quite important, as you need to hold values of names of instance, configs, etc.

There are Three ways, you can set a value to a variable:

1] **Directly in main.tf files** (Variables block are included inside main.tf file)

2] **Set variable value on variable.tf file.** (Main.tf, Variable.tf).

Main.tf: - mention provider block and resource block

Variable.tf :- Setting the default value of a variable.

3] **Using Command Line**

Create 2 files (Main.tf, Variable.tf), but inside variable.tf, don't set the default value.

Pass the value of a variable through command line.

We can create a variables.tf file which will hold all the variables.

```
variable "file" {  
  default = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"  
}  
  
variable "content" {  
  default = "This is coming from Variable.tf files"  
}
```

These variables can be accessed by var object in main.tf

Task-01

- Create a local file using Terraform Hint:

```
resource "local_file" "devops" {  
  filename = var.file  
  content = var.content  
}
```

After all changes are done, run the files using below four commands

```
terraform init  
terraform validate  
terraform plan  
terraform apply
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform init
```

Initializing the backend...

Initializing provider plugins...

- Reusing previous version of hashicorp/local from the dependency lock file
- Using previously-installed hashicorp/local v2.4.0

Terraform has been successfully initialized!

You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands should now work.

If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform, rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform validate
```

Success! The configuration is valid.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform plan
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform plan
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:

```
# local_file.devops will be created
+ resource "local_file" "devops" {
+   content          = "This is coming from Variable.tf files"
+   content_base64sha256 = (known after apply)
+   content_base64sha512 = (known after apply)
+   content_md5      = (known after apply)
+   content_sha1     = (known after apply)
+   content_sha256   = (known after apply)
+   content_sha512   = (known after apply)
+   directory_permission = "0777"
+   file_permission   = "0777"
+   filename          = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
+   id                = (known after apply)
}
```

Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

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.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform apply
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```

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Do you want to perform these actions?

Terraform will perform the actions described above.
Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.

Enter a value: yes

local_file.devops: Creating...

local_file.devops: Creation complete after 0s [id=9814afaa51c52e0391b1a191eace0a9950a78622]

```
buntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ ls
README.md Terraform demo.txt main.tf terraform.tfstate variable.tf
buntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ cat demo.txt
this is coming from Variable.tf files
```

Task-02

- Use terraform to demonstrate usage of List, Set and Object datatypes

Data Types in Terraform

1] List: - In a same variable, you can add multiple values separated by comma (,).

Modifying the Variable.tf file

Set type= list and list out all values, index starts with 0.

```
variable "file" {
  default = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
}

variable "contents" {
  type = list
  default = ["This is First Content", "This is Second Content"]
}
```

Main.tf

```
resource "local_file" "devops" {
  filename = var.file
  content = var.contents[1]
}
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ cat demo.txt
This is Second Content
```

2] Map: - In a same variable, you can add data as a key-value pair.

Modifying the Variable.tf file

Set type= map and add data as a key-value pair.

```
variable "file" {
  default = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
}

variable "contents" {
  type = map
  default = {
    "Content1" = "This is First Content",
    "content2" = "This is Second Content"
  }
}
```

Main.tf

```
resource "local_file" "devops" {
  filename = var.file
  content = var.contents["Content1"]
}
```

3] Set

4] Object: - An object is a structural type that can contain different types of values, unlike map, list. It is a collection of named attributes that each have their own type.

Variable.tf

```
variable "file" {
  default = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
}

variable "contents" {
  type = object ({
    Content1 = string
    content2 = number
  })
  default = {
    "Content1" = "This is First Content",
    "content2" = 108
  }
}
```

Main.tf

```
resource "local_file" "devops" {
  filename = var.file
  content = var.contents["Content1"]
}

resource "local_file" "devops2" {
  filename = var.file
  content = var.contents["content2"]
}
```

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```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform plan
```

```
local_file.devops: Refreshing state... [id=e5181889dbcb67a1a874d77b005021a1a2cd3e4]
```

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:

```
# local_file.devops2 will be created
+ resource "local_file" "devops2" {
  + content          = "108"
  + content_base64sha256 = (known after apply)
  + content_base64sha512 = (known after apply)
  + content_md5       = (known after apply)
  + content_sha1      = (known after apply)
  + content_sha256    = (known after apply)
  + content_sha512    = (known after apply)
  + directory_permission = "0777"
  + file_permission    = "0777"
  + filename          = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
  + id                = (known after apply)
}
```

Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

```

ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform apply
local_file.devops: Refreshing state... [id=e5181889dbcb67a1a874d77b005021a1a2cd3e4]

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  + content_md5       = (known after apply)
  + content_sha1      = (known after apply)
  + content_sha256    = (known after apply)
  + content_sha512    = (known after apply)
  + directory_permission = "0777"
  + file_permission   = "0777"
  + filename          = "/home/ubuntu/TerraForm/demo.txt"
  + id                = (known after apply)
}

Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Do you want to perform these actions?
  Terraform will perform the actions described above.
  Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.

  Enter a value: yes

local_file.devops2: Creating...
local_file.devops2: Creation complete after 0s [id=17503a6b2326f09fbc4e3a7c03874c7333002038]

Apply complete! Resources: 1 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

```

Use terraform refresh

To refresh the state by your configuration file, reloads the variables

```

ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$ terraform refresh
local_file.devops2: Refreshing state... [id=17503a6b2326f09fbc4e3a7c03874c7333002038]
local_file.devops: Refreshing state... [id=e5181889dbcb67a1a874d77b005021a1a2cd3e4]
ubuntu@ip-172-31-85-217:~/TerraForm$

```