





- terraform plan compares infrastructure defined in your code vs. the real world, but does not apply them
 - Dry run does not apply the changes. Preview your changes before you make them
 - Safe to run multiple times
 - We call this, operational confidence
- Usually ran before terraform apply
- Always a good idea to run terraform plan before you permanently make any changes
- Terraform creates what is called an execution plan
 - A detailed output providing a report of what changes will take place
 - Output is rendered to stdout on your terminal
- There are three types of proposed changes:
 - In place updates
 - Complete updates
 - Creating Resources



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+ resource "aws_security_group_rule" "ingress_allow_ssh" {
     + cidr_blocks
         + "0.0.0.0/0",
                             = "SSH from home"
     + description
     + from port
                             = 22
     + id
                             = (known after apply)
     + ipv6 cidr blocks
        + "::/0",
                             = "tcp"
     + protocol
     + security_group_id = (known after apply)
                              = false
     + self
     + source_security_group_id = (known after apply)
     + to_port
                              = 22
                              = "ingress"
     + type
Plan: 3 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.
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  create
Terraform will perform the following actions:
 # aws instance.main will be created
  + resource "aws_instance" "main" {
                                     = "ami-013a129d325529d4d"
      + ami
      + arn
                                     = (known after apply)
      + associate public ip address = false
     + availability zone
                                     = (known after apply)
                                     = (known after apply)
      + cpu core count
      + cpu_threads_per_core
                                     = (known after apply)
                                     = false
      + get_password_data
      + host id
                                     = (known after apply)
      + id
                                     = (known after apply)
      + instance state
                                     = (known after apply)
                                     = "t3.micro"
      + instance_type
      + ipv6 address count
                                     = (known after apply)
      + ipv6_addresses
                                     = (known after apply)
      + key name
                                     = (known after apply)
                                     = (known after apply)
      + outpost arn
      + password data
                                     = (known after apply)
      + placement group
                                     = (known after apply)
      + primary network interface id = (known after apply)
      + private_dns
                                     = (known after apply)
      + private_ip
                                     = (known after apply)
      + public dns
                                     = (known after apply)
      + public ip
                                     = (known after apply)
      + secondary private ips
                                     = (known after apply)
                                     = (known after apply)
      + security groups
      + source dest check
                                     = true
      + subnet_id
                                     = (known after apply)
      + tags
                          = "levelup with terraform-instance"
            "Name"
                          = "levelup with terraform"
          + "course"
          + "environment" = "dev"
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PS C:\Users\tekke\Desktop\levelup with terraform\workflow basics> terraform plan
aws security group.allow ssh: Refreshing state... [id=sg-089ca9f6c9c77f476]
aws_security_group_rule.ingress_allow_ssh: Refreshing state... [id=sgrule-3785398798]
aws_instance.main: Refreshing state... [id=i-06986e93352407fe9]
Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
-/+ destroy and then create replacement
Terraform will perform the following actions:
 # aws instance.main must be replaced
-/+ resource "aws instance" "main" {
                                    = "arn:aws:ec2:us-west-2:320193497904:instance/i-06986e93352407fe9" -> (known after apply)
     availability_zone
                                    = "us-west-2b" -> (known after apply)
     ~ cpu core count
                                    = 1 -> (known after apply)
                                    = 2 -> (known after apply)
     cpu threads per core
       disable api termination
                                    = false -> null
       ebs optimized
                                    = false -> null
       hibernation
                                    = false -> null
      + host id
                                    = (known after apply)
     ~ id
                                    = "i-06986e93352407fe9" -> (known after apply)
     instance state
                                    = "running" -> (known after apply)
     instance type
                                    = "t3.micro" -> "t3.small"

~ ipv6 address count

                                    = 0 -> (known after apply)
     ~ ipv6 addresses
                                    = [] -> (known after apply)
                                    = (known after apply)
     + key name
       monitoring
                                    = false -> null
      + outpost arn
                                    = (known after apply)
      + password data
                                    = (known after apply)
      + placement_group
                                    = (known after apply)
     primary network interface id = "eni-01a90e5070645ec18" -> (known after apply)
     private dns
                                    = "ip-172-31-30-226.us-west-2.compute.internal" -> (known after apply)
     private_ip
                                    = "172.31.30.226" -> (known after apply)
     public dns
                                    = "ec2-54-191-157-186.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com" -> (known after apply)
     ∼ public ip
                                    = "54.191.157.186" -> (known after apply)
     secondary private ips
                                    = [] -> (known after apply)
     security groups
           "allow ssh",
       ] -> (known after apply)
     ~ subnet id
                                    = "subnet-01935c521a639cf87" -> (known after apply)
       tags
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 ~ update in-place
erraform will perform the following actions:
 # aws_instance.main will be updated in-place
 ~ resource "aws_instance" "main" {
       id
                                    = "i-06986e93352407fe9"
    ~ tags
         + "Foo"
                         = "Bar"
           # (5 unchanged elements hidden)
       # (27 unchanged attributes hidden)
       # (3 unchanged blocks hidden)
lan: 0 to add, 1 to change, 0 to destroy.
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- In place updates performs updates without requiring to re-create the entire resource
 - When resource already exists, but change is found in code
 - Terraform applies your changes in-place
 - Reduces unintended side effects
 - Your resource remains functional with no downtime
- Complete update update requires re-creating the entire resource
 - When resource already exists, but change is found in the code
 - Terraform is required to completely re-create the resource to apply changes
 - May lead to side effects, important to carefully review
 - May introduce downtime, as resource is destroyed and recreated
- Creating resources Terraform detects a new resource
 - Brand new resource is detected, Terraform wants to create it



- How does Terraform know the type of update?
- Terraform relies on two critical components, to help make informed decisions:
 - Consulting the state file
 - Communicating with the provider
- Talk more in depth about state & providers, but overview:
 - State files holds the current state of your Terraform environment/configuration. Contains metadata, attributes, and dependencies for all your defined resources. The brains of Terraform.
 - Providers plugins which expose set of resources for Terraform to use. For example, the AWS Provider allows you to use and create AWS specific resources.
- Terraform consults your current state to view what resources are created, and what their attributes are
 - Helps understand what type of change it needs to make

