

Terraform

Monorepo vs Multirepo

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What is Terraform?

- Open Source Tool for Creating and Maintaining Infrastructure
- Uses Declarative Definitions written in HCL (HashiCorp Configuration Language)
- Has multiple providers (Azure, AWS, Datadog etc.)

```
# powerbi

## Function - Javascript PowerBI Function
resource "azurerm_storage_account" "powerbi-function-storage" {
  name                = "fa${var.azure-resourcegroups-region-prefix}powerbi${var.azure-resourcesprefix}01"
  resource_group_name = azurerm_resource_group.powerbi-rg.name
  location            = azurerm_resource_group.powerbi-rg.location
  account_tier        = "Standard"
  account_replication_type = "LRS"
  enable_https_traffic_only = true

  tags = {
    CostCentre = "IT"
    Environment = "${var.azure-resourcesprefix == "prd" ? "Prod" : var.azure-resourcesprefix}"
    Owner = "Platform"
    Importance = "Low"
    Project = "PowerBI"
    Maturity = "Mature"
    CostModel = "Compute"
  }
}

## Service Plan
resource "azurerm_app_service_plan" "powerbi-serviceplan" {
  name                = "fa-${var.azure-resourcegroups-region-prefix}-powerbi-sp${var.azure-resourcesprefix}-01"
  location            = azurerm_resource_group.powerbi-rg.location
  resource_group_name = azurerm_resource_group.powerbi-rg.name
  kind                = "FunctionApp"

  sku {
    tier = "Dynamic"
    size = "Y1"
  }

  tags = {
    CostCentre = "IT"
    Environment = "${var.azure-resourcesprefix == "prd" ? "Prod" : var.azure-resourcesprefix}"
    Owner = "Platform"
    Importance = "Low"
    Project = "PowerBI"
    Maturity = "Mature"
    CostModel = "Compute"
  }
}
```

History of Terraform at Footasylum

- Introduced by Platform team
- Was a single Monorepo with small number of services
- Fast become difficult to manage
- Modules helped separate concerns but Platform was still a “gatekeeper”
- Teams now empowered to write their own terraform files
- Working towards standardizing the approach

Monorepo

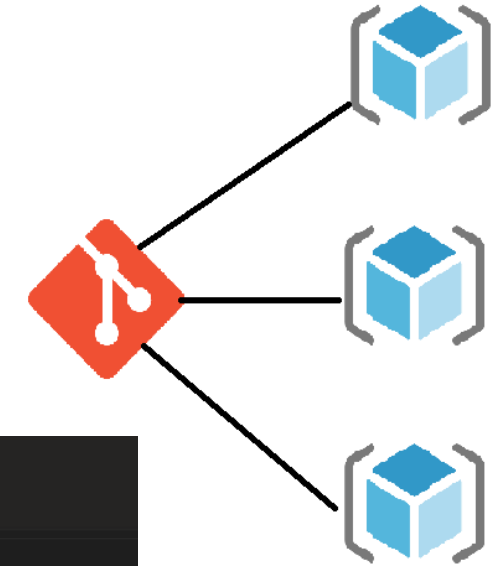
A Single repository with all the files needed to build the infrastructure.

PROS:

- Single source of truth
- Easier to assert quality control

CONS:

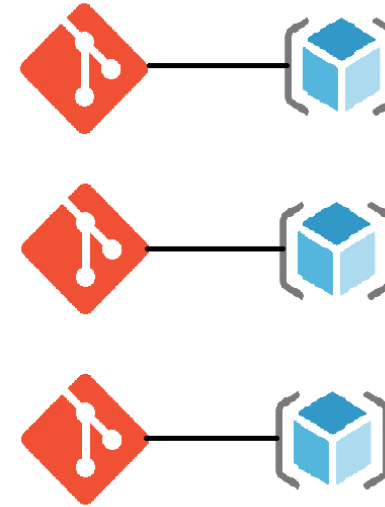
- Can block other teams
- Longer build and release lifecycle



```
1 provider "azurerm" {
2   features {}
3   version = "~>2.45.1"
4   subscription_id = var.azure_subscription_id
5   client_id = var.azure_client_id
6   client_secret = var.azure_client_secret
7   tenant_id = var.azure_tenant_id
8 }
9
10 provider "azurerm" {
11   client_id = var.azure_client_id
12   client_secret = var.azure_client_secret
13   tenant_id = var.azure_tenant_id
14 }
15
16 data "azurerm_client_config" "current" {
17 }
18
19 data "terraform_remote_state" "base-remote-state" {
20   backend = "azurerm"
21   config = {
22     storage_account_name = "terraformstorageaccount..."
23     container_name = "terraform-base"
24     key = "terraform-base.tfstate"
25     access_key = "..."
26   }
27 }
28
29 module "base" {
30   source = "../modules/base"
31
32   azure_resource_group_region = var.azure_resource_group_region
33   azure_resource_group_prefix = var.azure_resource_group_prefix
34   azure_resource_group_region_prefix = var.azure_resource_group_region_prefix
35   sql_username = var.sql_username
36   sql_password = var.sql_password
37   publisher_name = var.publisher_name
38   publisher_email = var.publisher_email
39   azure_portal_ip = var.azure_portal_ip
40   ip_restriction = var.ip_restriction
41   api_management_client_email = var.api_management_client_email
42   api_management_client_password = var.api_management_client_password
43   api_management_host_url = var.api_management_host_url
44   tenant_id = data.azure_client_config.current.tenant_id
45   object_id = data.azure_client_config.current.client_id
46 }
47
48
```

Multirepo

Multiple independent repositories containing the infrastructure just for that service / product



PROS:

- Empowers/Enables teams to achieve
- Removes inter-team dependencies
- Faster build times

CONS:

- Differences configuration / design
- Harder to link dependencies between separate resources

```
1 ## Data
2 data "terraform_remote_state" "base-remote-state" {
3   backend = "azurerm"
4   config = {
5     storage_account_name = "faukwstorage${var.azure-resources-prefix}base"
6     container_name       = "terraform-base"
7     key                   = "terraform-base.tfstate"
8     access_key            = "${var.azure-accesskey}"
9   }
10 }
11
12 ## Resource Group
13 resource "azure_rm_resource_group" "customers-rg" {
14   name     = "fa-${var.azure-region-prefix}-rsg-${var.azure-resources-prefix}-custome
15   location = var.azure-region
16
17   tags = {
18     CostCentre = "IT"
19     Environment = var.azure-resources-prefix
20     Owner       = "Platform"
21     Importance  = "High"
22     Project     = "Customers"
23     Maturity    = "New"
24     CostModel   = "Compute"
25   }
26 }
27 }
```

The future – A blend of the two

Mono repo for shared / consumable modules:

- Like an internal Open Source library for infrastructure
- Modules can be constructed with the approved set up in place
- Everyone can benefit from and contribute to the “baseline”

Multi repo for teams:

- Empowers them to take ownership of their infrastructure
- Standardised modules removes cognitive load from the resources
- Improves or better aligns the over all infrastructure

