



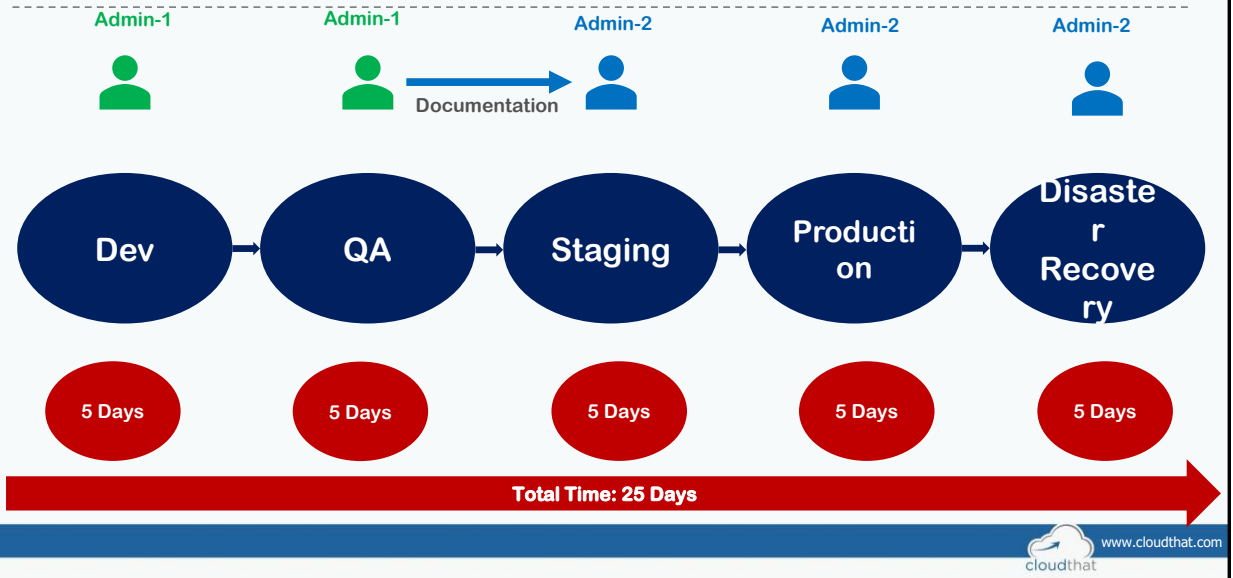
# **Terraform Infrastructure as Code**

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## **What is Infrastructure as Code ?**

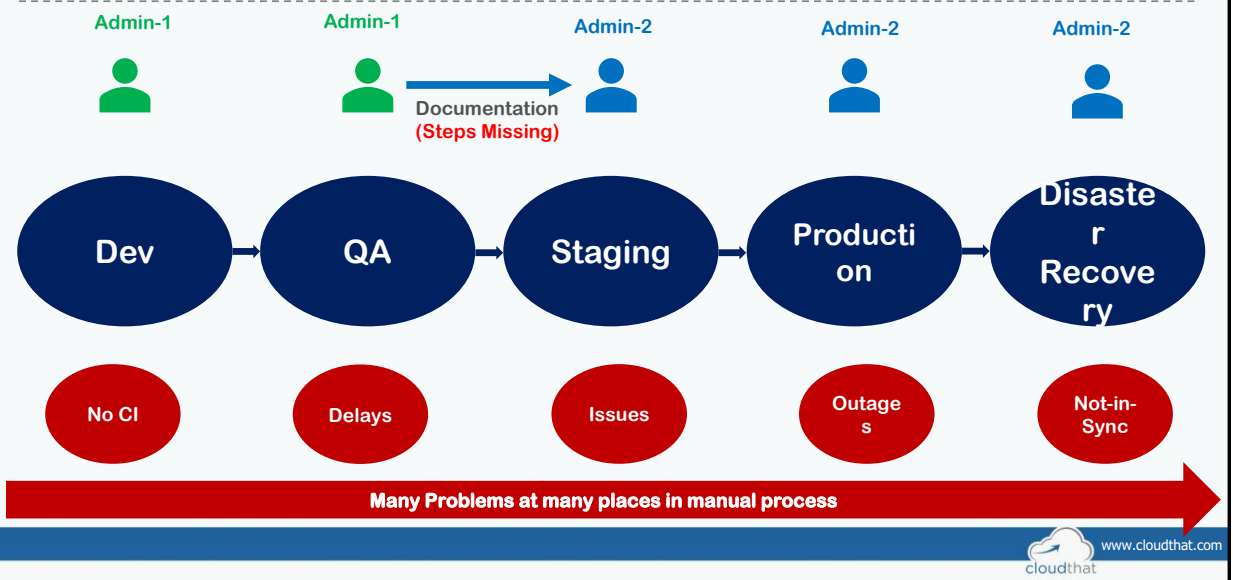
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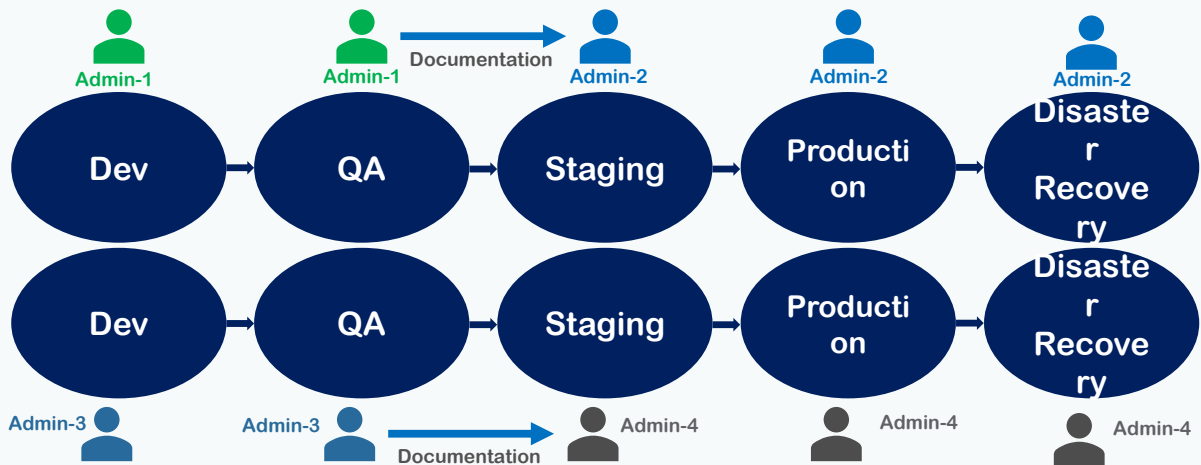
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# Traditional Way of Managing Infrastructure



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## Traditional Way of Managing Infrastructure



Infrastructure scalability – Workforce need to be increased to meet the timelines

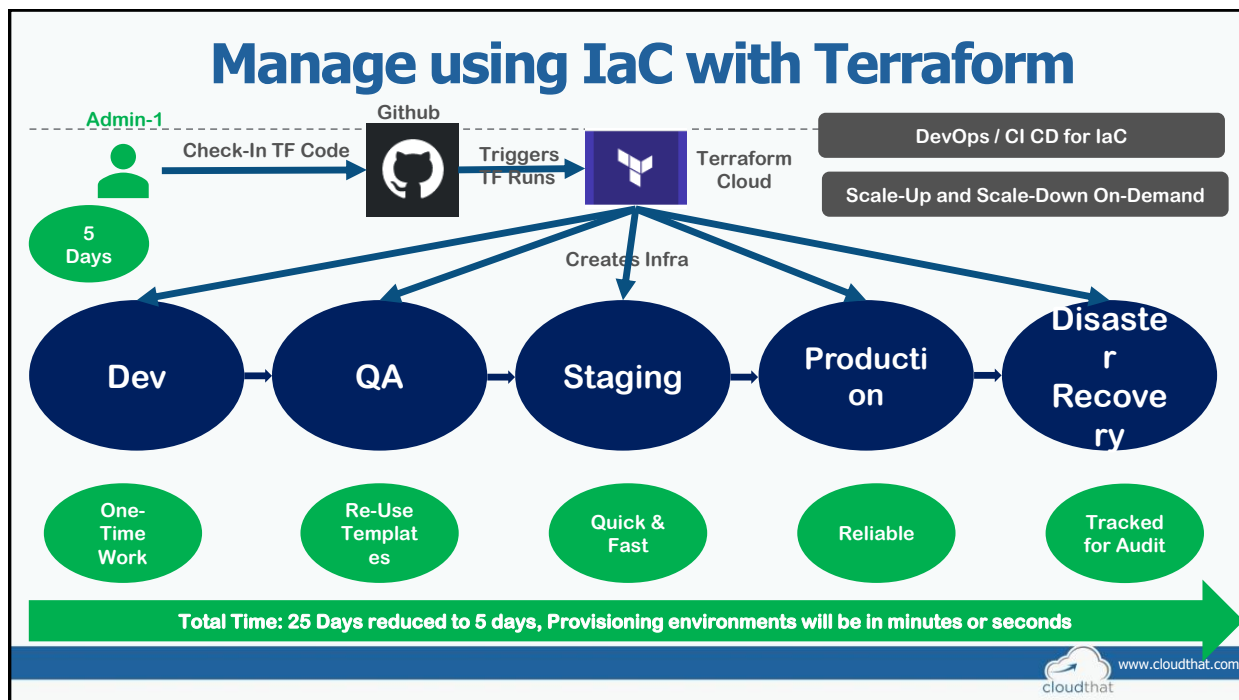
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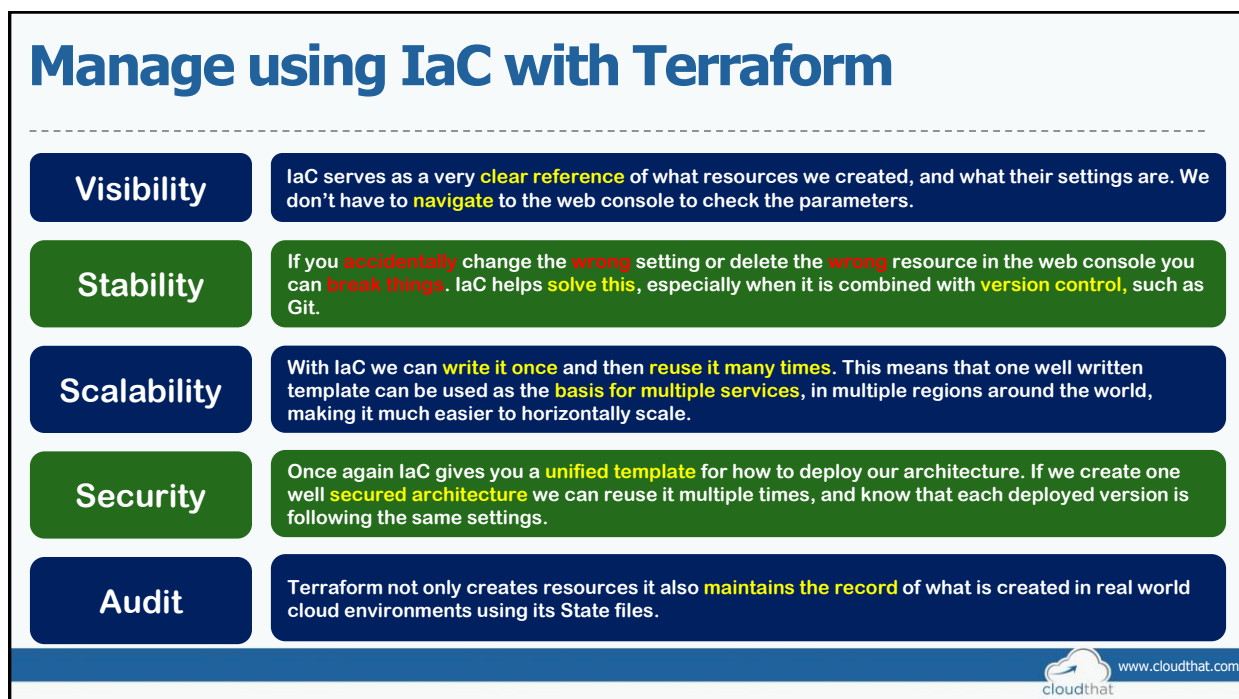


On-Demand Scale-Up and Scale-Down is not an option

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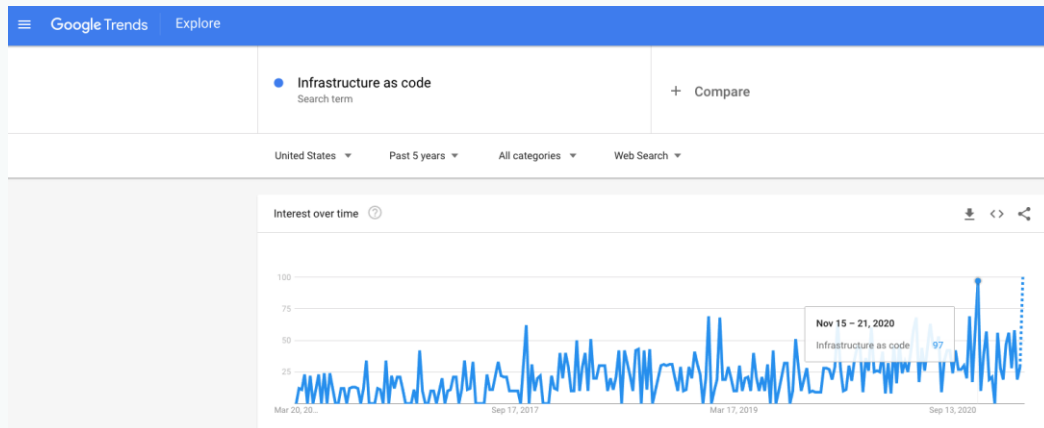


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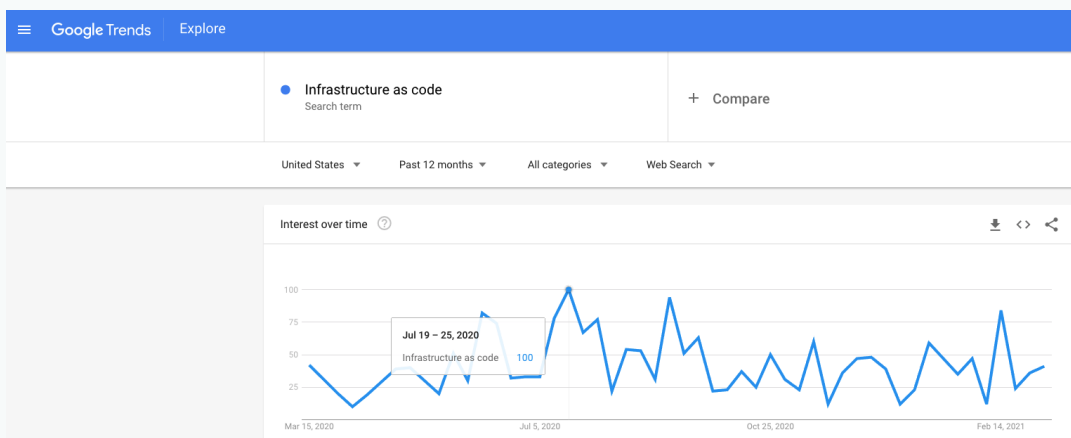
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# Google Trends – Past 1 Year



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## Terraform Installation

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## Terraform Installation

Terraform  
CLI

AWS CLI

VS Code  
Editor

Terraform  
plugin for VS  
Code

Mac OS

Windows OS

Linux OS

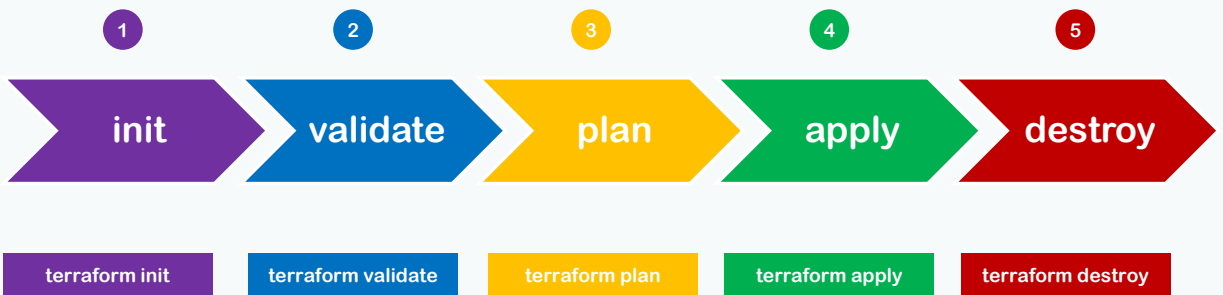
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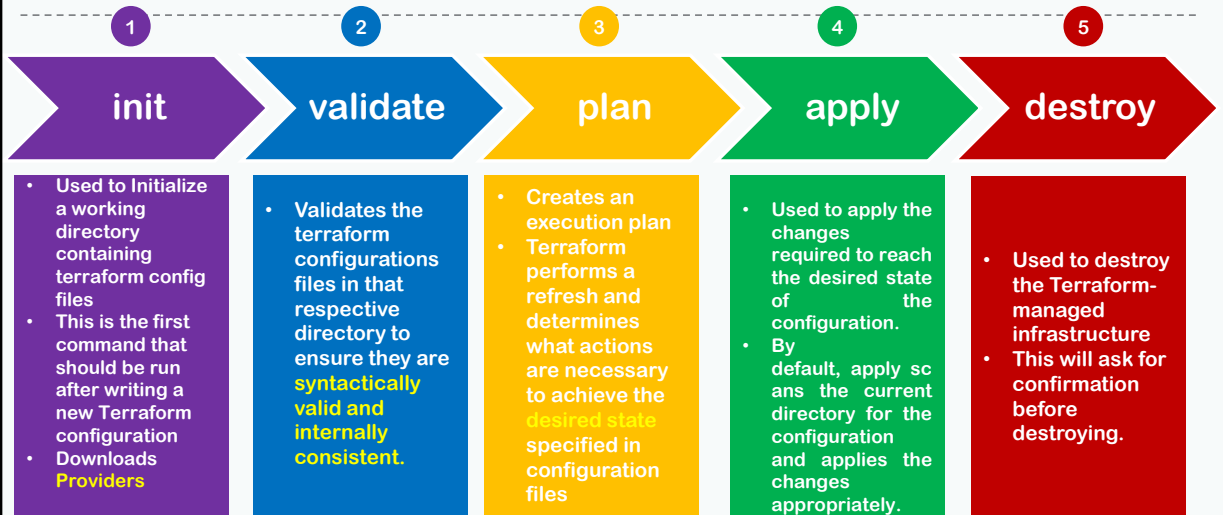
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### Terraform Workflow



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# Terraform Workflow



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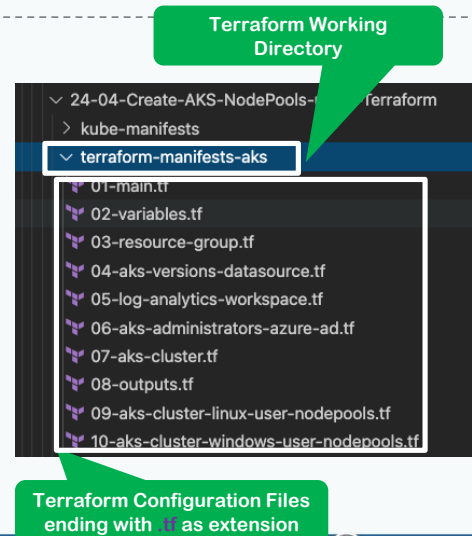
## Terraform Language Basics

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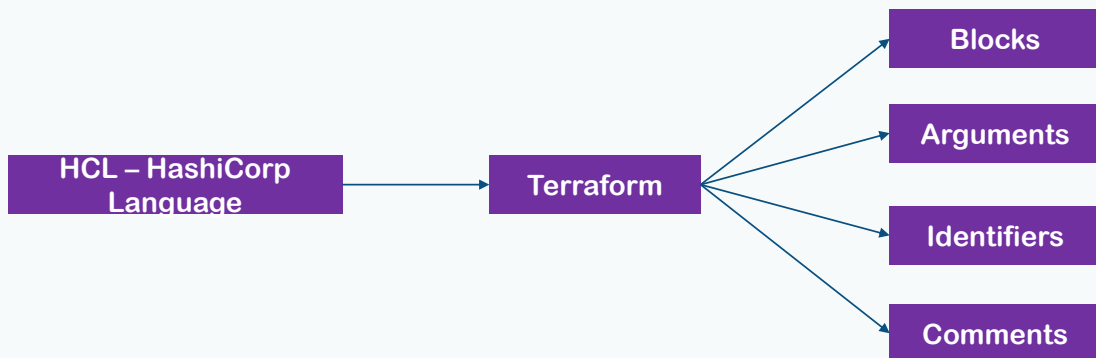


# Terraform Language Basics – Files

- Code in the Terraform language is stored in **plain text files** with the **.tf** file extension.
- There is also a **JSON-based** variant of the language that is named with the **.tf.json** file extension.
- We can call the files containing terraform code as **Terraform Configuration Files** or **Terraform Manifests**



# Terraform Language Basics – Configuration Syntax



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# Template
<BLOCK TYPE> "<BLOCK LABEL>" "<BLOCK LABEL>" {
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```
# AWS Example
```

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Block Type

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Top Level Blocks: resource, provider

Block Inside Block: provisioners,  
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Block Labels

Based on Block  
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Arguments

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Argument  
Name  
[or]  
Identifier

Argument  
Value  
[or]  
Expression

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# Terraform Language Basics – Configuration Syntax

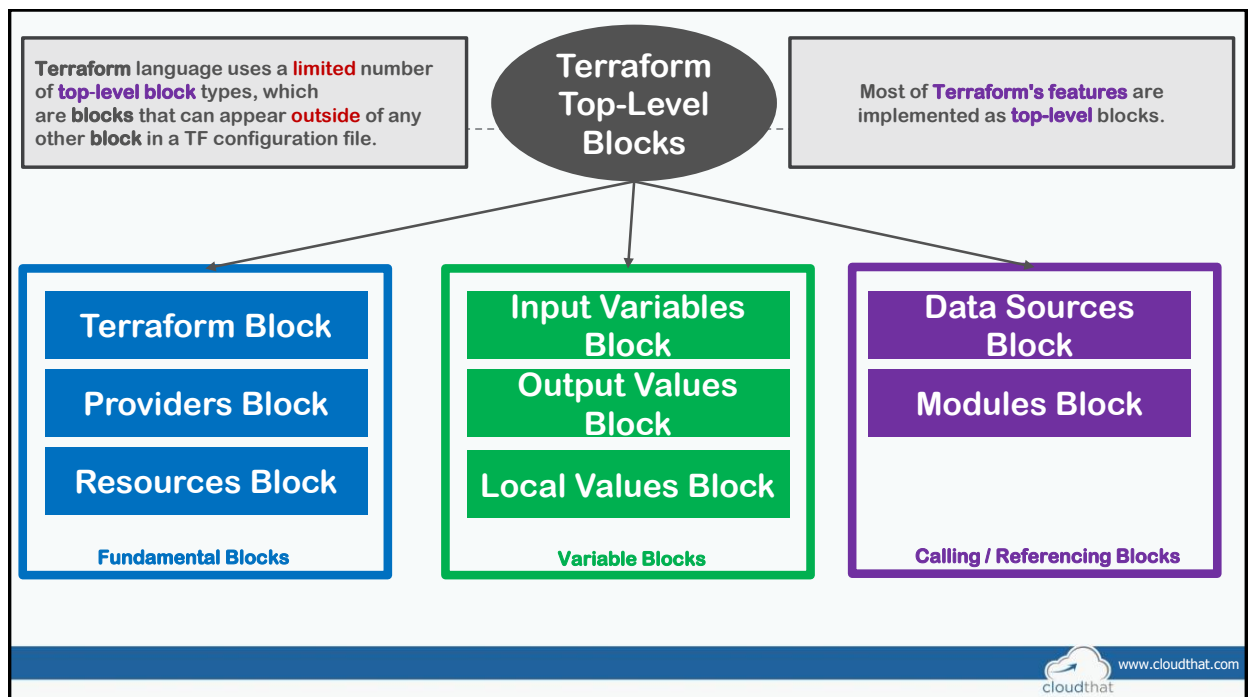
Single Line Comments with # or //

Multi-line comment

```
# EC2 Instance Resource
resource "aws_instance" "ec2demo" {
  ami           = "ami-0885b1f6bd170450c" // Ubuntu 20.04 LTS
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  /*
  Multi-line comments
  Line-1
  Line-2
  */
}
```

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## Terraform Fundamental Blocks

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### Terraform Basic Blocks

#### Terraform Block

Special block used to configure some **behaviors**

Specifying a **required Terraform Version**

Specifying **Provider Requirements**

Configuring a Terraform Backend (**Terraform State**)

#### Provider Block

**HEART** of Terraform

Terraform relies on providers to **interact** with Remote Systems

Declare providers for Terraform to **install** providers & use them

Provider configurations belong to **Root Module**

#### Resource Block

Each Resource Block describes one or more Infrastructure Objects

**Resource Syntax:** How to declare Resources?

**Resource Behavior:** How Terraform handles resource declarations?

**Provisioners:** We can configure Resource post-creation actions



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## Terraform Block

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## Terraform Block

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- This block can be called in 3 ways. All means the same.
  - Terraform Block
  - Terraform Settings Block
  - Terraform Configuration Block
- Each terraform block can contain a number of settings related to **Terraform's behavior**.
- Within a terraform block, **only constant values can be used**; arguments **may not refer** to named objects such as resources, input variables, etc, and **may not use any** of the Terraform language built-in functions.

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# Terraform Block from 0.13 onwards

Terraform 0.12 and earlier:

```
# Configure the AWS Provider
provider "aws" {
  version = "~> 3.0"
  region  = "us-east-1"
}

# Create a VPC
resource "aws_vpc" "example" {
  cidr_block = "10.0.0.0/16"
}
```

Terraform 0.13 and later:

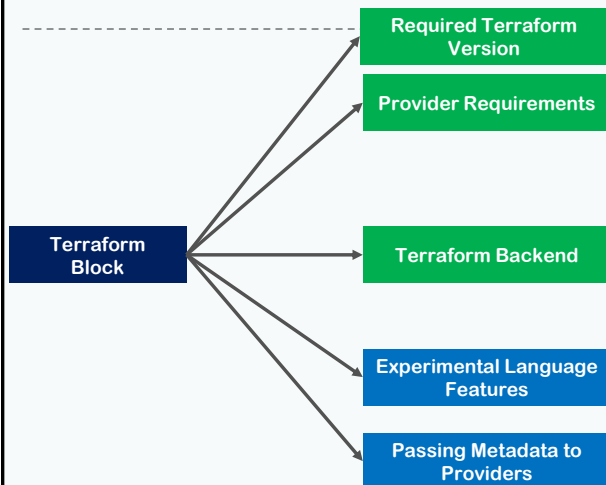
```
terraform {
  required_providers {
    aws = {
      source = "hashicorp/aws"
      version = "~> 3.0"
    }
  }
}

# Configure the AWS Provider
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-east-1"
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  cidr_block = "10.0.0.0/16"
}
```

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# Terraform Block



```
terraform {
  # Required Terraform Version
  required_version = "~> 0.14.3"

  # Required Providers and their Versions
  required_providers {
    aws = {
      source = "hashicorp/aws"
      version = "~> 3.21" # Optional but recommended
    }
  }

  # Remote Backend for storing Terraform State in S3 bucket
  backend "s3" {
    bucket = "mybucket"
    key    = "path/to/my/key"
    region = "us-east-1"
  }

  # Experimental Features (Not required)
  experiments = [ example ]

  # Passing Metadata to Providers (Super Advanced - Terraform)
  provider_meta "my-provider" {
    hello = "world"
  }
}
```

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# Terraform Providers

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## Terraform Providers

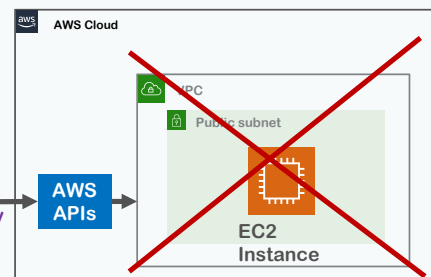
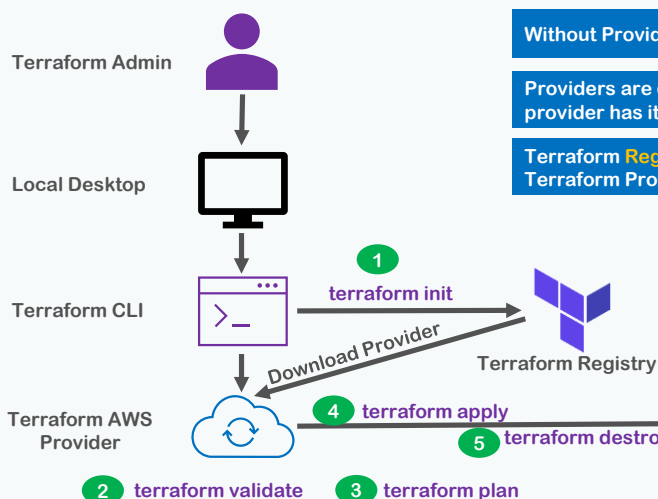
Providers are **HEART** of Terraform

Every **Resource Type** (example: EC2 Instance), is implemented by a Provider

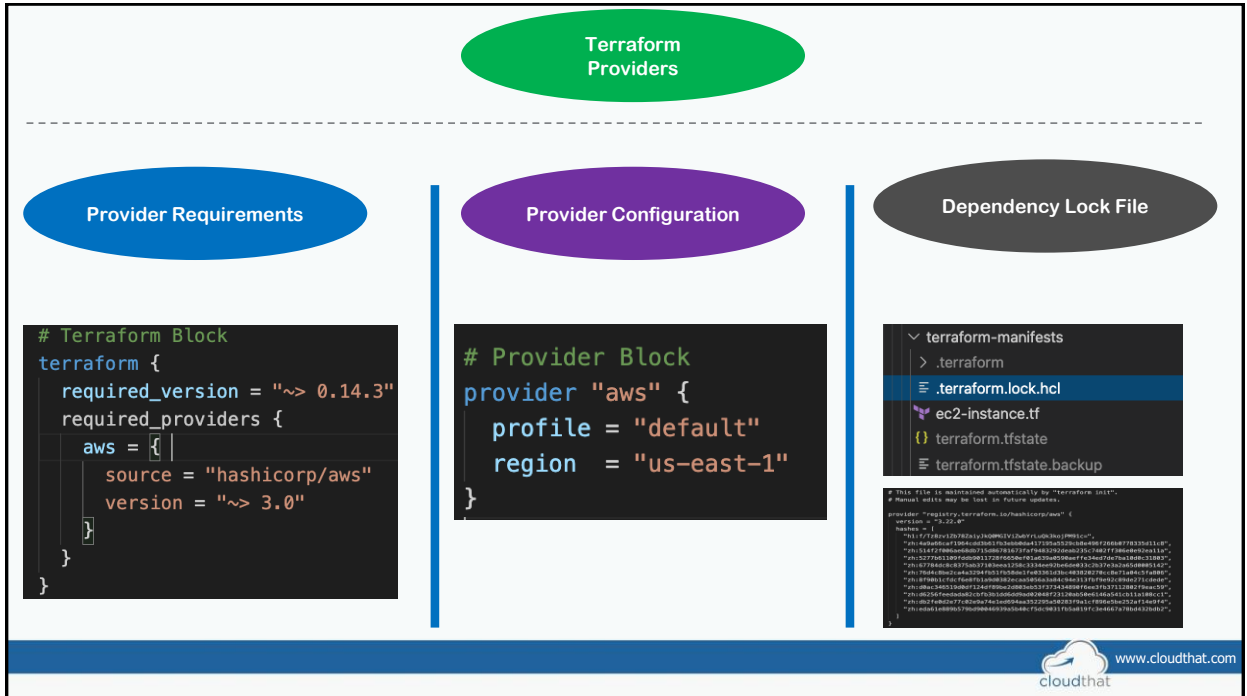
Without Providers Terraform **cannot** manage any infrastructure.

Providers are distributed separately from Terraform and each provider has its own **release cycles** and **Version Numbers**

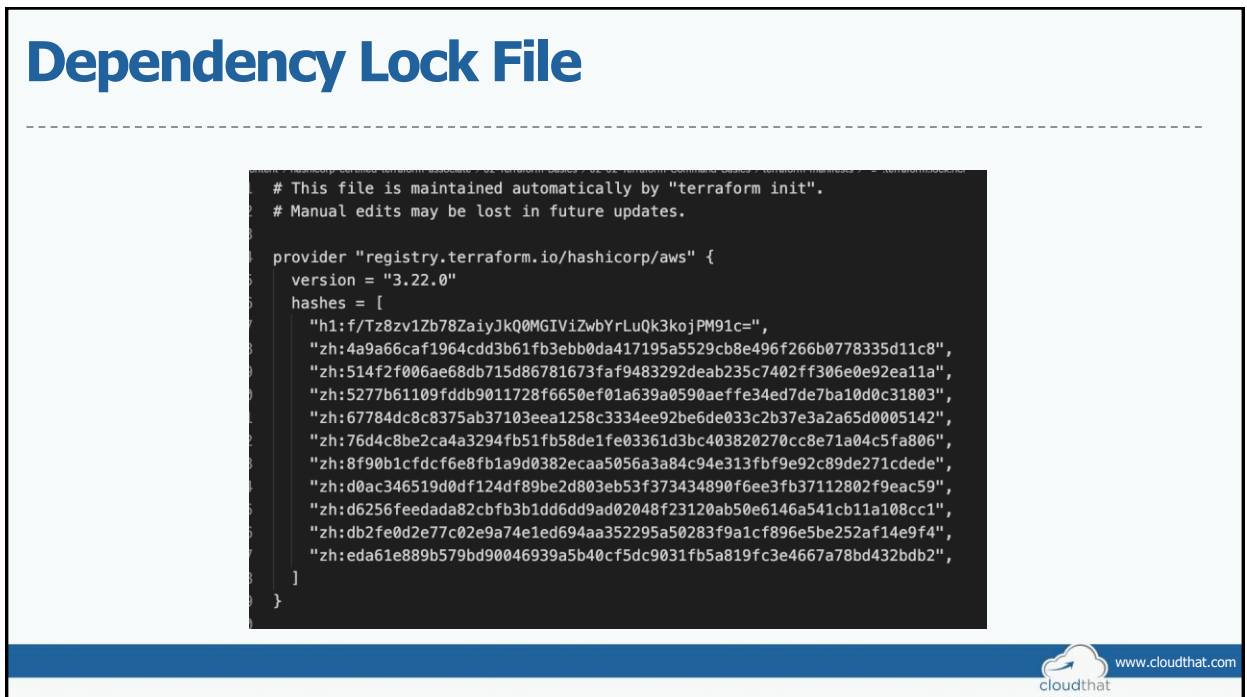
Terraform **Registry** is publicly available which contains many Terraform Providers for most **major** Infra Platforms



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# Required Providers

```
# Terraform Block
terraform {
  required_version = "> 0.14.3"
  required_providers {
    aws = {
      source = "hashicorp/aws"
      version = "~> 3.0"
    }
  }
}

# Provider Block
provider "aws" {
  profile = "default"
  region = "us-east-1"
}
```

## Local Names

Local Names are **Module specific** and should be **unique** per-module

Terraform configurations always refer to **local name** of provider **outside** required\_provider block

Users of a provider can choose **any local name** for it (myaws, aws1, aws2).

Recommended way of choosing local name is to use preferred local name of that provider (For AWS Provider: hashicorp/aws, **preferred local name** is aws)

## Source

It is the **primary location** where we can download the Terraform Provider

Source addresses consist of **three parts** delimited by **slashes (/)**

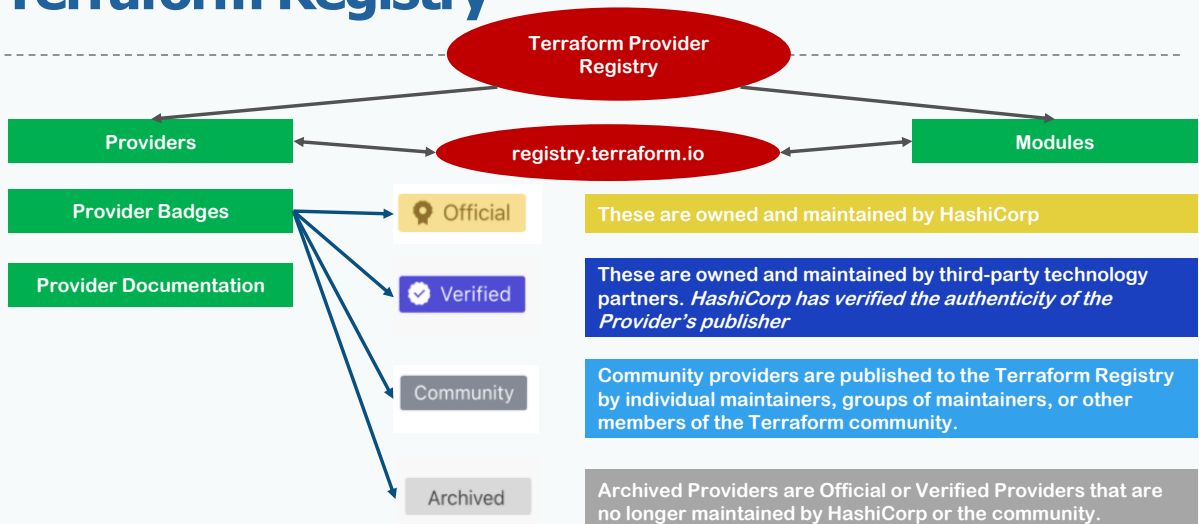
[<HOSTNAME>]/<NAMESPACE>/<TYPE>

registry.terraform.io/hashicorp/aws

Registry Name is **optional** as default is going to be Terraform Public Registry

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# Terraform Registry



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## Terraform Multiple Providers

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### Multiple Providers

We can define **multiple** configurations for the **same provider**, and select which one to use on a **per-resource** or **per-module** basis.

The primary reason for this is to **support multiple regions** for a **cloud platform**

We can **use** the alternate provider in a resource, data or module by referencing it as **<PROVIDER NAME>.<ALIAS>**

```
# Provider-1 for us-east-1 (Default Provider)
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-east-1"
  profile = "default"
}
```

```
# Provider-2 for us-west-1
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-west-1"
  profile = "default"
  alias = "aws-west-1"
}
```

```
# Resource Block to Create VPC in us-west-1
resource "aws_vpc" "vpc-us-west-1" {
  cidr_block = "10.2.0.0/16"
  #<PROVIDER NAME>.<ALIAS>
  provider = aws.aws-west-1
  tags = {
    "Name" = "vpc-us-west-1"
  }
}
```

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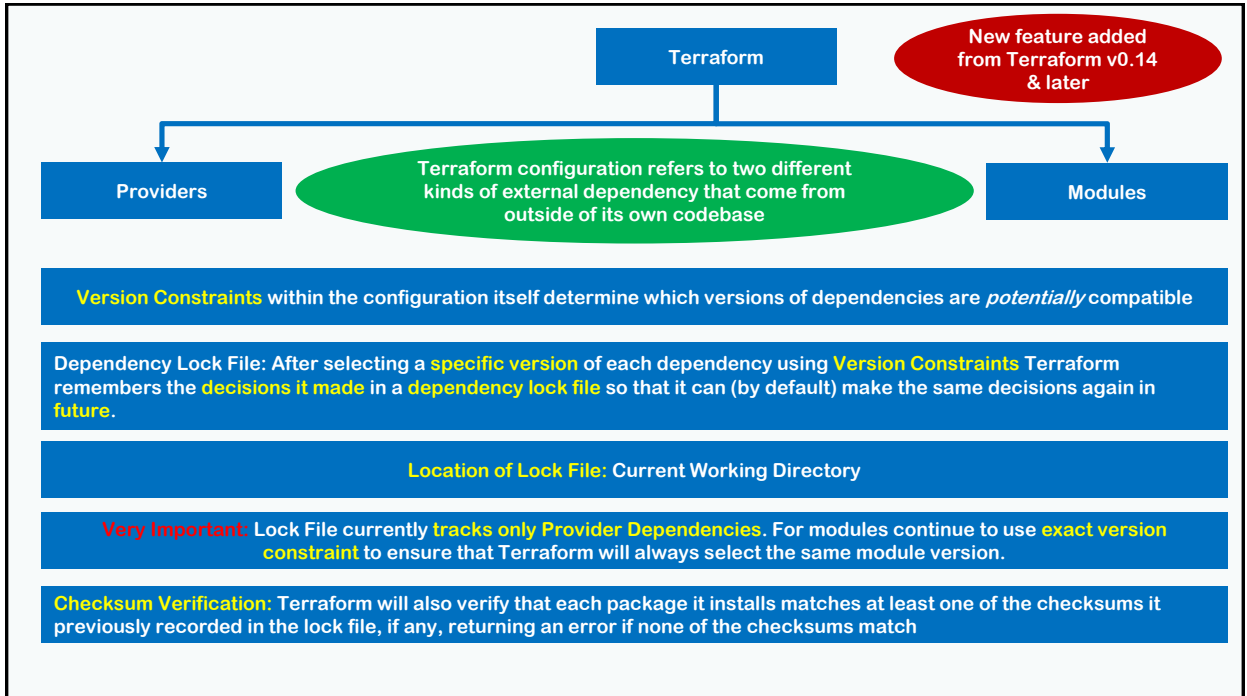


## Terraform Dependency Lock File

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## Dependency Lock File

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## Dependency Lock File

```
# This file is maintained automatically by "terraform init".
# Manual edits may be lost in future updates.

provider "registry.terraform.io/hashicorp/aws" {
  version      = "2.50.0"
  constraints = ">= 2.0.0"
  hashes = [
    "h1:aKw4NLrMEaflsl10XCCz6Ewo4ay9dpgSpkNHujRXX08=",
    "zh:05be40c2d4ec798d6a64bdc9fa9de4c994cf8fe47997368bc0ce40120985b7a0",
    "zh:14752329e73c68b63b68f971caaf5248ceea9f2cdc166b3897d46ce96f25548",
    "zh:291121fd0153945f5e21411ee5625b6ec688344af2afe193d1243a0762b3064",
    "zh:49488c0d0fd6412f8e877c5b8839da13371dac87491c3bfae484ce9d7be67007",
    "zh:5a8f55012dc61cb98ac116b09f2b1fe68a96174ba892ee1bae90e3137b779a5d",
    "zh:77b68e5401c4977de5f172005f00dcfa724eb8ca938bd109bc74024c9550cb65",
    "zh:8f0b3af9db522f92cdb93eec28c340c00b0679357b715eee70fc3f3777c26747",
    "zh:9170bd7ef9a37bc960233bd9957ef46e1495b56bd329be4b0b578bfc744d5f0e",
    "zh:a66344e70ad954529c395e2b58fe491d5cc27991654852a66c9a3572a4d48c6f",
    "zh:b63e986afec187d6f708a37b64845d8e908c597902efe4eae7148ef07fa8aff5",
    "zh:fcc6e9a1f8df9b8cde3d8bcb917294dd9b9283b6bb8db6435ad02fb9ff1fe410",
    "zh:fdeaf059f86d0ab59cf68ece2e8cec522b506c47e2cfa7ba6125b1cd06b8680",
  ]
}
```

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# Importance of Dependency Lock File

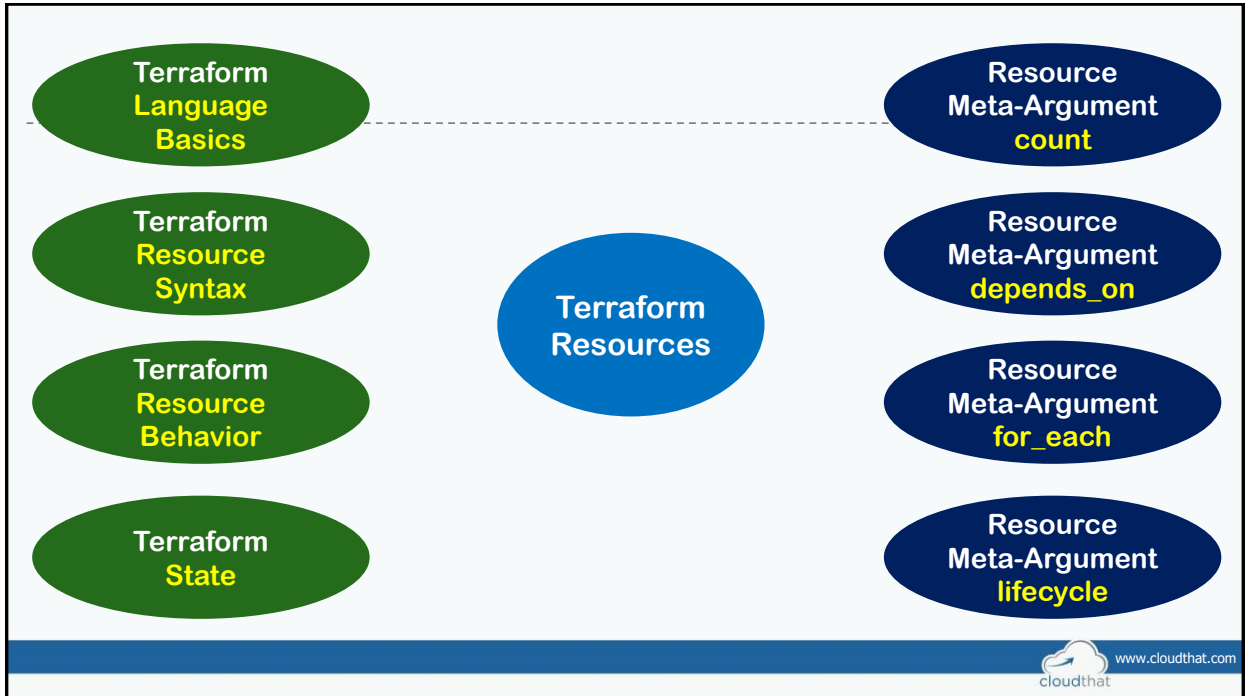
Provider	Version Constraint	terraform init (no lock file)	terraform init (lock file)
aws	>= 2.0	Latest version (3.18.0)	Lock file version (2.50.0)
random	3.0.0	3.0.0	Lock file version (3.0.0)

If Terraform **did not find** a lock file, it would download the **latest versions** of the providers that fulfill the **version constraints** you defined in the **required\_providers** block inside Terraform Settings Block.

If we have lock file, the lock file causes Terraform to **always install the same provider version**, ensuring that runs **across** your team or remote sessions will be **consistent**.



## Terraform Resources Introduction



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## Terraform Language Basics – Configuration Syntax

```
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<BLOCK TYPE> "<BLOCK LABEL>" "<BLOCK LABEL>" {
  # Block body
  <IDENTIFIER> = <EXPRESSION> # Argument
}

# AWS Example
resource "aws_instance" "ec2demo" {
  ami           = "ami-04d29b6f966df1537"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
}
```

**Block Type** → resource

**Top Level & Block inside Blocks** → "aws\_instance" "ec2demo"

**Top Level Blocks:** resource, provider

**Block Inside Block:** provisioners, resource specific blocks like tags

**Arguments** → ami, instance\_type

**Block Labels** → "aws\_instance" "ec2demo"

Based on Block Type block labels will be 1 or 2  
**Example:**  
 Resource – 2 labels  
 Variables – 1 label

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# Resource Syntax

**Resource Type:** It determines the kind of **infrastructure object** it manages and what arguments and other attributes the resource supports.

**Resource Local Name:** It is used to refer to this resource from elsewhere in the same Terraform module, but has **no significance** outside that module's scope. The resource type and name together serve as an identifier for a given resource and so must be **unique** within a module

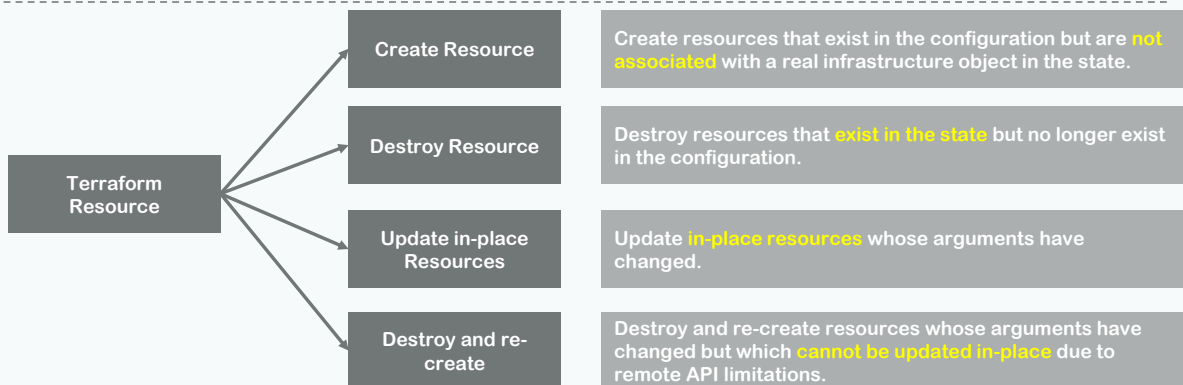
**Meta-Arguments:** Can be used with any resource to change the behavior of resources

**Resource Arguments:** Will be specific to resource type. Argument Values can make use of **Expressions** or other Terraform **Dynamic Language Features**

```
# Provider-2 for us-west-1
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-west-1"
  profile = "default"
  alias = "aws-west-1"
}

# Resource Block to Create VPC
resource "aws_vpc" "vpc us-west-1" {
  provider = aws.aws-west-1
  cidr_block = "10.2.0.0/16"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "vpc-1"
  }
}
```

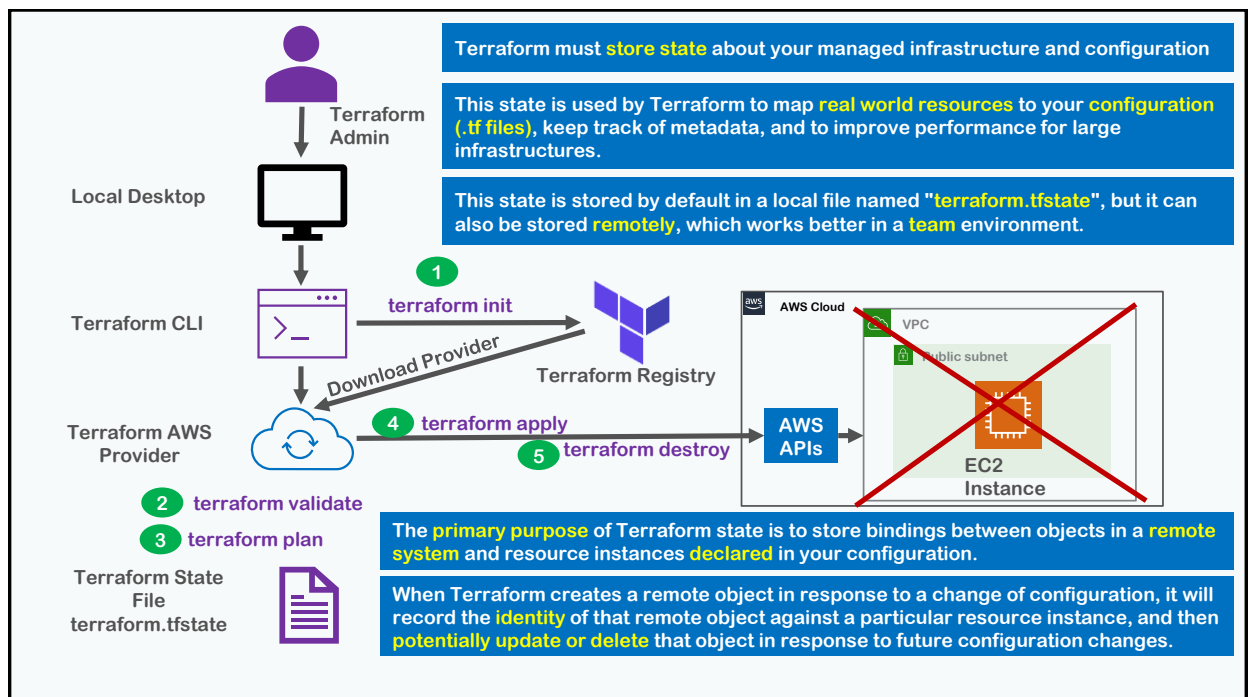
# Resource Behavior



## Terraform State

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# Desired & Current Terraform States

## Terraform Configuration Files

c1-versions.tf  
c2-ec2-instance.tf

terraform.tfstate

Desired State

## Real World Resource – EC2 Instance

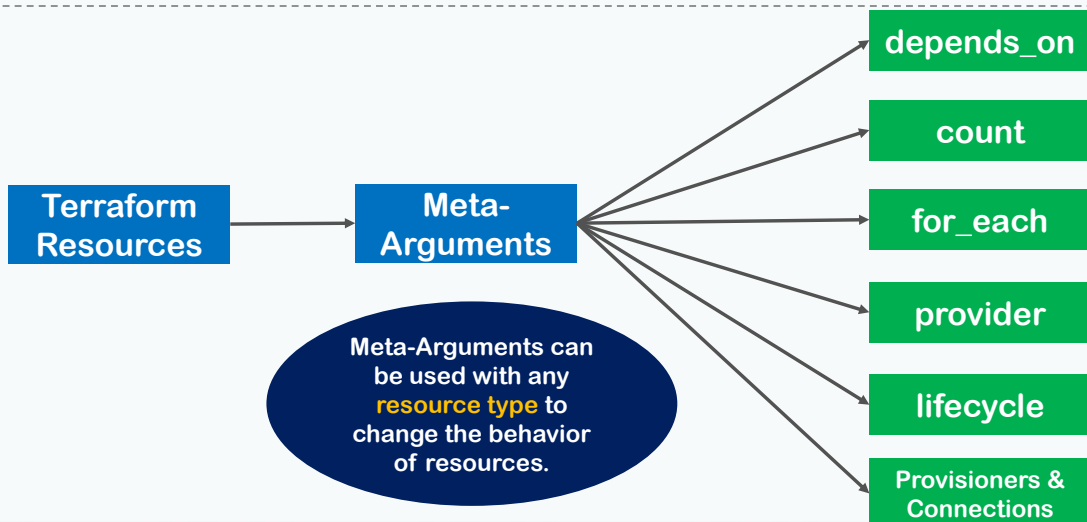
Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status checks	Alarm status	Availability Zone
web	i-043a0b0b0b0b0b0b0	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks	No alarms	us-east-1a

Instance: i-043a0b0b0b0b0b0b0 (web)	
Instance ID	Public IP address
i-043a0b0b0b0b0b0b0	54.164.75.101 (open: 54.164.75.101)
Instance state	Public IP DNS
Running	ec2-54-164-75-101.us-east-1.amazonaws.com (open: 54.164.75.101)
Instance type	Classic IP addresses
t2.micro	Private IP address
AMI: Amazon Linux 2 AMI (HVM) - x86_64	Subnet ID
ami-043a0b0b0b0b0b0b0	subnet-043a0b0b0b0b0b0b0

Current State

# Resource Meta-Arguments



# Use case: What are we going implement?

# Resource-2: Create Subnets

# Resource-3: Internet Gateway

# Resource-4: Create Route Table

# Resource-5: Create Route in Route Table for Internet Access

# Resource-6: Associate the Route Table with the Subnet

# Resource-7: Create Security Group

# Resource-8: Create EC2 Instance with Sample App

EIP may require IGW to exist prior to association. Use `depends_on` to set an explicit dependency on the IGW.

# Resource-9: Create Elastic IP  
`depends_on`

```
# Resource-9: Create Elastic IP
resource "aws_eip" "my-eip" {
  instance = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.id
  vpc      = true
  depends_on = [ aws_internet_gateway.vpc-dev-igw ]
}
```

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## Usecase-1: for\_each Maps

# Resource-1: Use Meta-Argument `for_each` with `Maps` to create **multiple** S3 buckets using **single** Resource

Define `for_each` with `Map` with Key Value pairs

Use `each.key` and `each.value` for the S3 Bucket name

Use `each.key` and `each.value` for S3 Bucket tags

Buckets (30)

Buckets are containers for data stored in S3. [Learn more](#)

Name	AWS Region
<input type="radio"/> dev-my-dapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> prod-my-papp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> qa-my-qapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> stag-my-sapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1

```
# Create S3 Bucket per environment with for_each and maps
resource "aws_s3_bucket" "mys3bucket" {
```

```
  for_each = {
    dev  = "my-dapp-bucket"
    qa   = "my-qapp-bucket"
    stag = "my-sapp-bucket"
    prod = "my-papp-bucket"
  }
```

```
  bucket = "${each.key}-${each.value}"
  acl     = "private"
```

```
  tags = {
    eachvalue = each.value
    Environment = each.key
    bucketname = "${each.key}-${each.value}"
  }
}
```

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## Usecase-2: for\_each Set of Strings (toset)

# Resource-1: Use Meta-Argument **for\_each with Set of Strings** to create **multiple** IAM Users using **single** Resource

```
# Create 4 IAM Users
resource "aws_iam_user" "myuser" {
  for_each = toset( ["TJack", "TJames", "TMadhu", "TDave"] )
  name     = each.key
}
```

Add userDelete user

Find users by username or access key

Showing 7 results

<input type="checkbox"/> User name	Groups	Access key age	Password age	Last activity	MFA
<input type="checkbox"/> TMadhu	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/> TJames	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/> TJack	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/> TDave	None	None	None	None	Not enabled

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lifecycle is a **nested block** that can appear within a resource block

Resource  
Meta-Argument  
**lifecycle**

The lifecycle block and its contents are **meta-arguments**, available for **all** resource blocks regardless of **type**.

create\_before\_destroy

prevent\_destroy

ignore\_changes

```
# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892" # A
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  availability_zone = "us-east-1a"
  #availability_zone = "us-east-1b"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-1"
  }
  lifecycle {
    create_before_destroy = true
  }
}
```

```
# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-2"
  }
  lifecycle {
    prevent_destroy = true # Def
  }
}
```

```
# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-3"
  }
  lifecycle {
    ignore_changes = [
      # Ignore changes to tags,
      # updates these based on
      tags,
    ]
  }
}
```

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## Terraform Resource Syntax

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## Terraform Language Basics – Configuration Syntax

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Argument Name  
[or]  
Identifier

Argument Value  
[or]  
Expression

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## Resource Syntax

**Resource Type:** It determines the kind of **infrastructure object** it manages and what arguments and other attributes the resource supports.

**Resource Local Name:** It is used to refer to this resource from elsewhere in the same Terraform module, but has **no significance** outside that module's scope. The resource type and name together serve as an identifier for a given resource and so must be **unique** within a module

**Meta-Arguments:** Can be used with any resource to change the behavior of resources

**Resource Arguments:** Will be specific to resource type. Argument Values can make use of **Expressions** or other Terraform **Dynamic** Language Features

```
# Provider-2 for us-west-1
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-west-1"
  profile = "default"
  alias = "aws-west-1"
}

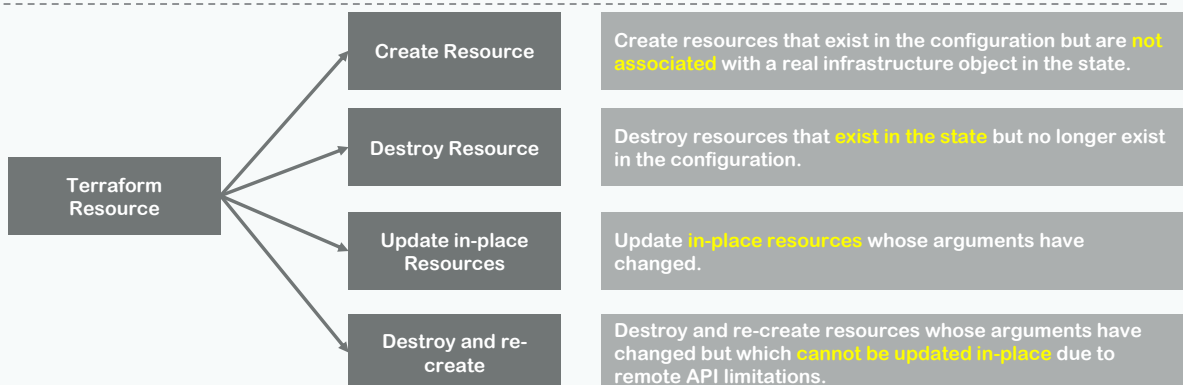
# Resource Block to Create VPC
resource "aws_vpc" "vpc us-west-1" {
  provider = aws.aws-west-1
  cidr_block = "10.2.0.0/16"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "vpc-1"
  }
}
```

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## Terraform Resource Behaviour

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### Resource Behavior

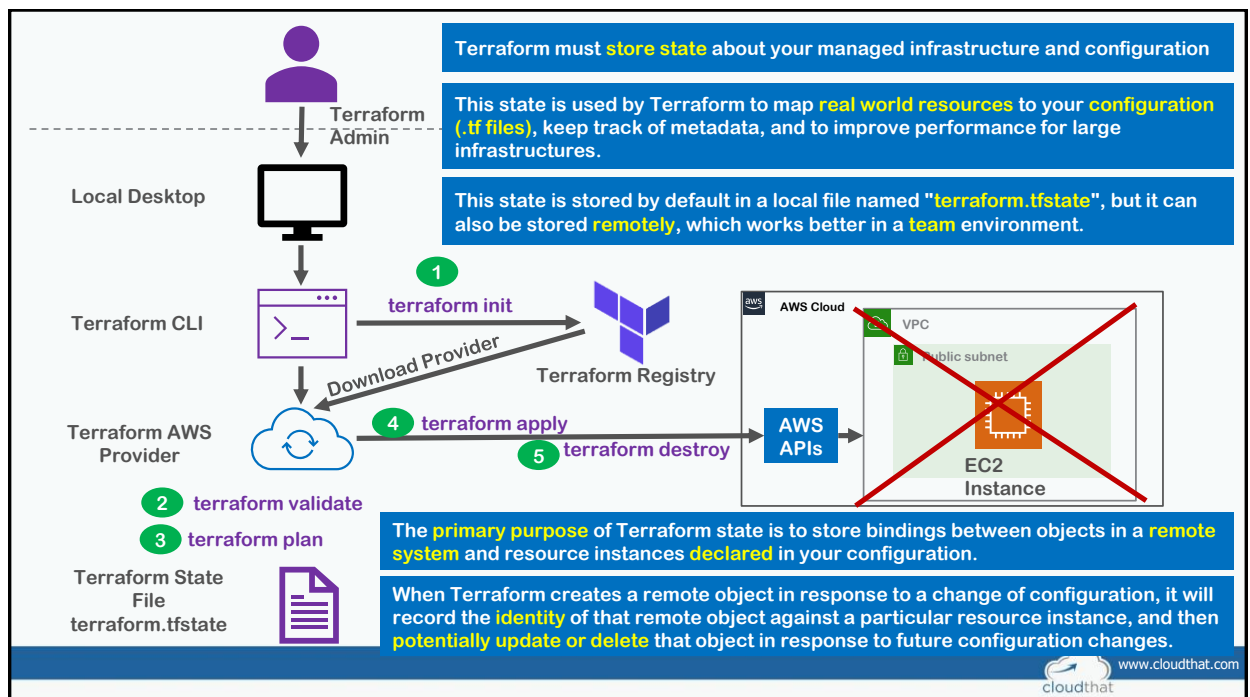


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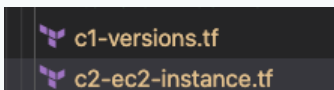


## Terraform State - Desired & Current

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## Desired & Current Terraform States

### Terraform Configuration Files



Desired State



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### Real World Resource – EC2 Instance

Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone
web	i-043a0f0b0c0b0c0b0	running	m5.xlarge	12 checks	2/2 checks	us-east-1c

Instance summary (web)						
Details	Security	Networking	Storage	Monitoring	Tags	
Instance summary info		Public IP address		Private IP address		
Instance ID	i-043a0f0b0c0b0c0b0	Public IP address ip-54-184-75-100.compute-1.amazonaws.com		Private IP address ip-172-31-54-117.ec2.internal		
Instance state	running	Public IP DNS ec2-54-184-75-100.compute-1.amazonaws.com		VPC ID vpc-043a0f0b0c0b0c0b0		
Instance type	m5.xlarge	Classic IP addresses		Subnet ID subnet-043a0f0b0c0b0c0b0		
AMI: Canonical Ubuntu Server 18.04 LTS (64-bit) (Amazon Linux 2 AMI for Amazon EC2)		Subnet		Subnet ID subnet-043a0f0b0c0b0c0b0		

Current State

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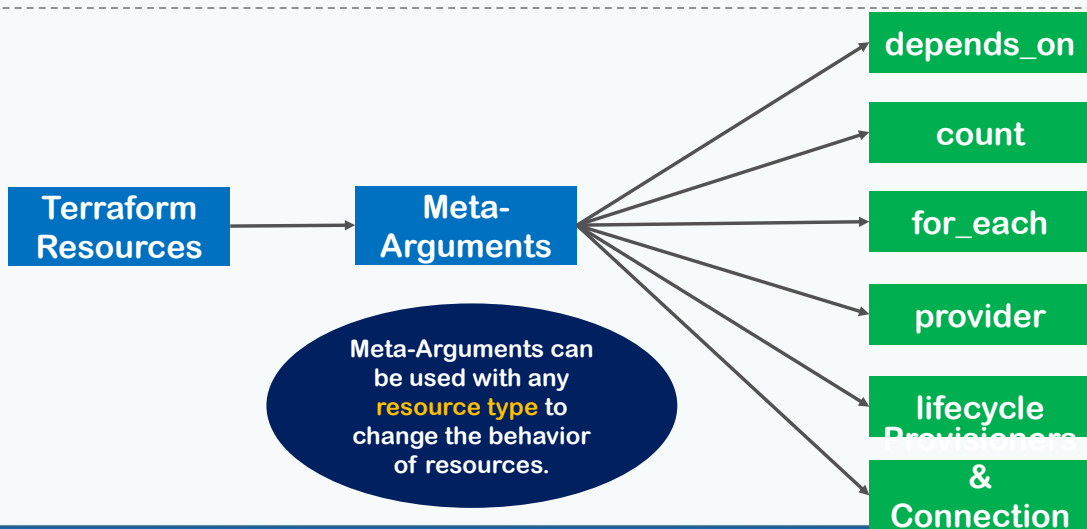




## Terraform Resource Meta-Arguments

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### Resource Meta-Arguments



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# Resource Meta-Arguments

## depends\_on

To handle **hidden resource or module** dependencies that Terraform can't automatically infer.

## count

For creating **multiple** resource instances according to a **count**

## for\_each

To create **multiple** instances according to a **map**, or **set** of strings

## provider

For selecting a **non-default provider** configuration

## lifecycle

Standard **Resource behavior can be altered** using special nested **lifecycle block** within a resource block body

## Provisioners & Connections

For taking **extra actions** after resource creation (Example: **install** some app on server or do something on **local desktop** after resource is created at **remote** destination)



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## Terraform Resource Meta-Argument – depends on

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# Resource Meta-Arguments – depends\_on

Use the **depends\_on** meta-argument to handle **hidden** resource or module dependencies that Terraform can't **automatically infer**.

**Explicitly** specifying a dependency is only necessary when a resource or module relies on some other resource's behavior but **doesn't access** any of that resource's data in its arguments.

This argument is available in **module blocks** and in all **resource blocks**, regardless of resource type.

## Resource Meta-Argument **depends\_on**

The **depends\_on** meta-argument, if present, must be a list of references to **other resources or child modules** in the same calling module.

Arbitrary expressions **are not allowed** in the **depends\_on** argument value, because its value must be known before Terraform knows resource relationships and thus before it can safely evaluate expressions.

The **depends\_on** argument should be used only as a **last resort**. Add comments for future reference about why we added this.

# Use case: What are we going implement?

# Resource-1: Create VPC

# Resource-2: Create Subnets

# Resource-3: Internet Gateway

# Resource-4: Create Route Table

# Resource-5: Create Route in Route Table for Internet Access

# Resource-6: Associate the Route Table with the Subnet

# Resource-7: Create Security Group

# Resource-8: Create EC2 Instance with Sample App

EIP may require IGW to exist prior to association. Use **depends\_on** to set an **explicit dependency** on the IGW.

# Resource-9: Create Elastic IP  
**depends\_on**

```
# Resource-9: Create Elastic IP
resource "aws_eip" "my-eip" {
  instance = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.id
  vpc = true
  depends_on = [ aws_internet_gateway.vpc-dev-igw ]
}
```



## Terraform Resource Meta-Argument - count

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### Resource Meta-Arguments – count

If a **resource** or **module** block includes a **count** argument whose value is a **whole number**, Terraform will create that **many** instances.

Each instance has a **distinct infrastructure object associated with it**, and each is separately **created, updated, or destroyed** when the configuration is applied.

The count meta-argument accepts **numeric expressions**. The count value must be known **before** Terraform performs any remote resource actions.

#### Resource Meta- Argument count

**count.index**: The distinct index number (starting with 0) corresponding to this instance.

When count is set, Terraform **distinguishes** between the block itself and the multiple resource or module instances associated with it. Instances are identified by an **index number**, starting with 0. **aws\_instance.myvm[0]**

**Module** support for count was added in Terraform 0.13, and previous versions can only use it with **resources**.

A given resource or module block **cannot** use both **count** and **for\_each**

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## Use case: What are we going implement?

```
# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-047a51fa27710816e" # Amazon Linux
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  count = 5
  tags = {
    #"Name" = "web"
    "Name" = "web-${count.index}"
  }
}
```

count

count.index

aws\_instance.web[0]

aws\_instance.web[1]

aws\_instance.web[2]

aws\_instance.web[3]

aws\_instance.web[4]



## Terraform Resource Meta-Argument – for\_each

# Resource Meta-Arguments – for\_each

If a **resource** or **module** block includes a **for\_each** argument whose value is a **map** or a **set of strings**, Terraform will create **one instance for each member** of that map or set.

Each instance has a **distinct infrastructure object** associated with it, and each is separately **created, updated, or destroyed** when the configuration is applied.

In blocks where **for\_each** is set, an additional **each** object is available in expressions, so you can modify the configuration of each instance.  
**each.key** — The map key (or set member) corresponding to this instance.  
**each.value** — The map value corresponding to this instance. (If a set was provided, this is the same as **each.key**.)

A given resource or module block **cannot** use both **count** and **for\_each**

## Resource Meta-Argument for\_each

For set of Strings, **each.key** = **each.value**  
`for_each = toset( ["Jack", "James"] )`  
`each.key = Jack`  
`each.value = James`

For Maps, we use **each.key** & **each.value**  
`for_each = {`  
`dev = "my-dapp-bucket"`  
`}`  
`each.key = dev`  
`each.value = my-dapp-bucket`

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## Usecase-1: for\_each Maps

# Resource-1: Use Meta-Argument **for\_each** with **Maps** to create **multiple S3 buckets** using **single Resource**

Define **for\_each** with **Map** with **Key Value** pairs

Use **each.key** and **each.value** for the **S3 Bucket name**

Use **each.key** and **each.value** for **S3 Bucket tags**

### Buckets (30)

Buckets are containers for data stored in S3. [Learn more](#)

Name	AWS Region
<input type="radio"/> dev-my-dapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> prod-my-papp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> qa-my-qapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1
<input type="radio"/> stag-my-sapp-bucket	US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1

```
# Create S3 Bucket per environment with for_each and maps
resource "aws_s3_bucket" "mys3bucket" {
```

```
  for_each = {
    dev = "my-dapp-bucket"
    qa  = "my-qapp-bucket"
    stag = "my-sapp-bucket"
    prod = "my-papp-bucket"
  }
```

```
  bucket = "${each.key}-${each.value}"
  acl     = "private"
```

```
  tags = {
    eachvalue = each.value
    Environment = each.key
    bucketname = "${each.key}-${each.value}"
  }
}
```

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## Usecase-2: for\_each Set of Strings (toset)

# Resource-1: Use Meta-Argument **for\_each** with **Set of Strings** to create **multiple** IAM Users using **single** Resource

```
# Create 4 IAM Users
resource "aws_iam_user" "myuser" {
  for_each = toset( ["TJack", "TJames", "TMadhu", "TDave"] )
  name     = each.key
}
```

Add user Delete user

Find users by username or access key

Showing 7 results

<input type="checkbox"/>	User name	Groups	Access key age	Password age	Last activity	MFA
<input type="checkbox"/>	TMadhu	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/>	TJames	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/>	TJack	None	None	None	None	Not enabled
<input type="checkbox"/>	TDave	None	None	None	None	Not enabled



## Terraform Resource Meta-Argument - lifecycle

lifecycle is a **nested block** that can appear within a resource block

Resource  
Meta-Argument  
lifecycle

The lifecycle block and its contents are **meta-arguments**, available for **all** resource blocks regardless of **type**.

create\_before\_destroy

prevent\_destroy

ignore\_changes

```


# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892" # A
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  availability_zone = "us-east-1a"
  #availability_zone = "us-east-1b"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-1"
  }
  lifecycle {
    create_before_destroy = true
  }
}
```

```


# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-2"
  }
  lifecycle {
    prevent_destroy = true # Def
  }
}
```

```

# Create EC2 Instance
resource "aws_instance" "web" {
  ami = "ami-0915bcb5fa77e4892"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  tags = {
    "Name" = "web-3"
  }
  lifecycle {
    ignore_changes = [
      # Ignore changes to tags,
      # updates these based on
      tags,
    ]
  }
}
```


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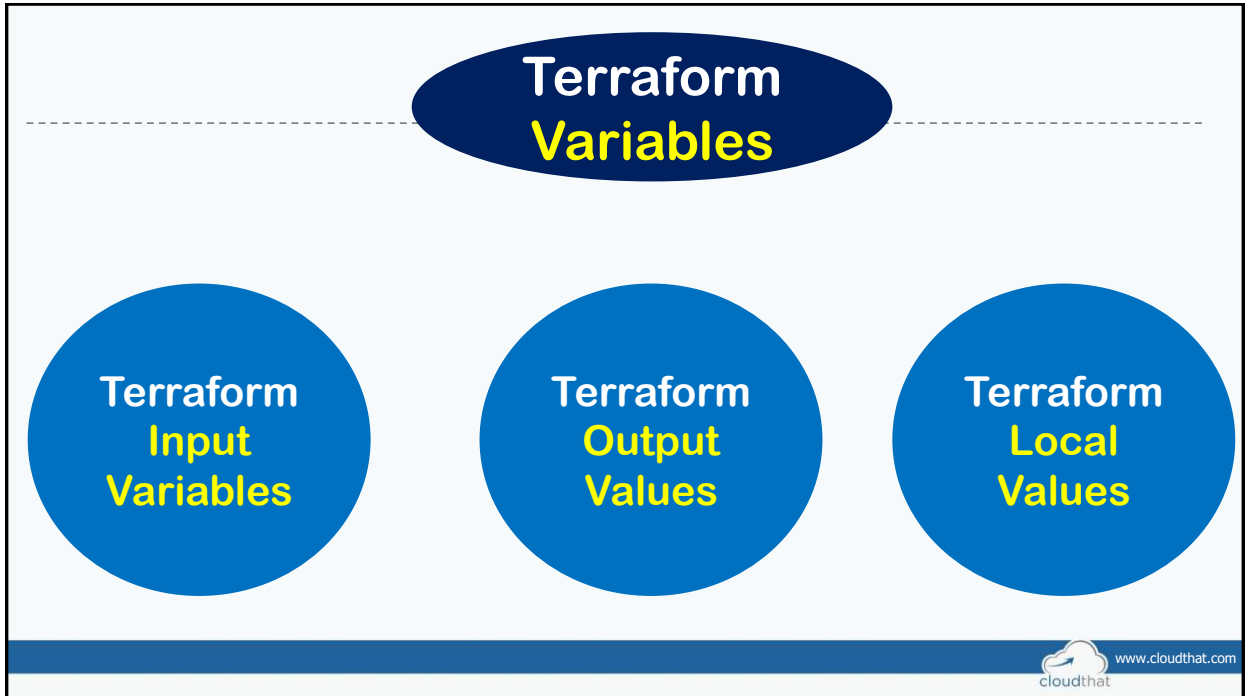
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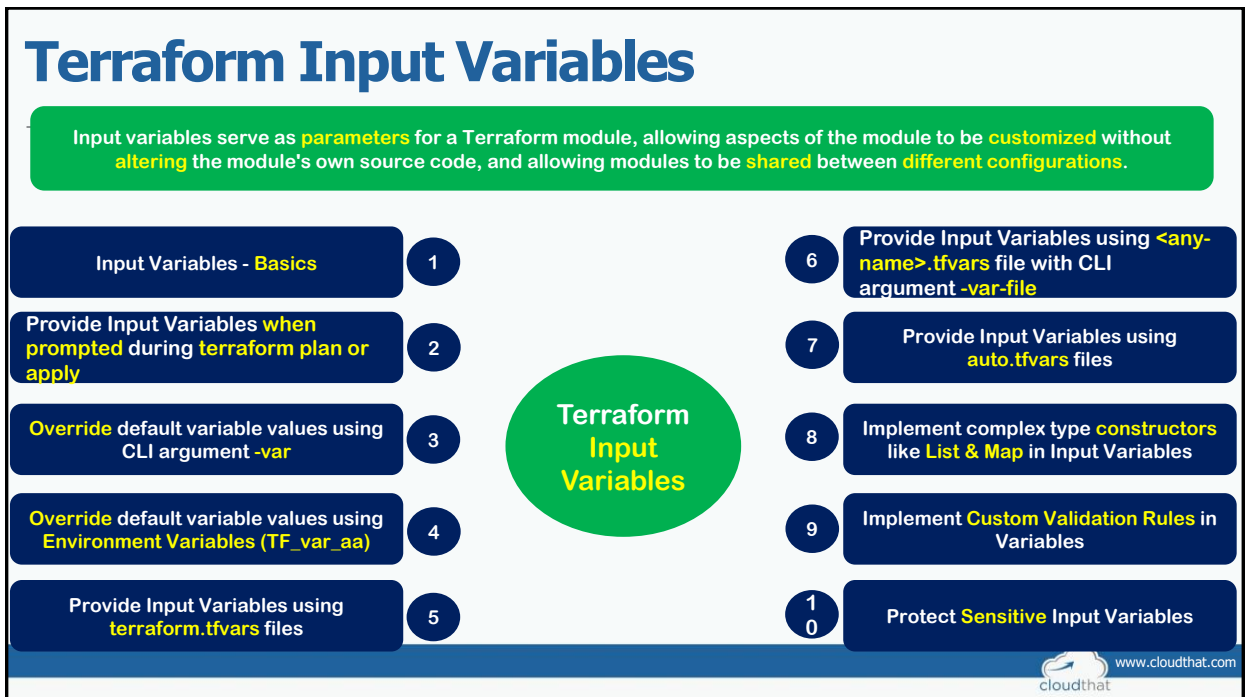
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# Terraform Variables – Output Values

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Outputs

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The ability to easily change the value in a central place is the **key advantage** of local values.

In short, Use local values only in **moderation**

```
locals {
  service_name = "forum"
  owner        = "Community Team"
}

locals {
  # Common tags to be assigned to all resources
  common_tags = {
    Service = local.service_name
    Owner   = local.owner
  }
}

resource "aws_instance" "example" {
  # ...

  tags = local.common_tags
}
```



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## Terraform Variables - Input Variables

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### Terraform Input Variables

Input variables serve as **parameters** for a Terraform module, allowing aspects of the module to be **customized** without **altering** the module's own source code, and allowing modules to be **shared** between **different configurations**.

Input Variables - **Basics**

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Provide Input Variables **when prompted** during **terraform plan or apply**

2

**Override** default variable values using CLI argument **-var**

3

**Override** default variable values using **Environment Variables** (TF\_var\_aa)

4

Provide Input Variables using **terraform.tfvars** files

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Variables

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Provide Input Variables using **<any-name>.tfvars** file with CLI argument **-var-file**

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Provide Input Variables using **auto.tfvars** files

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Implement complex type **constructors** like **List & Map** in Input Variables

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Implement **Custom Validation Rules** in Variables

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Protect **Sensitive** Input Variables

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# Terraform Variables

## Output Values

```
# Define Output Values
# Attribute Reference: EC2 Instance Public IP
output "ec2_instance_publicip" {
  description = "EC2 Instance Public IP"
  value = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.public_ip
}

# Argument Reference: EC2 Instance Private IP
output "ec2_instance_privateip" {
  description = "EC2 Instance Private IP"
  value = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.private_ip
}

# Argument Reference: Security Groups associated to EC2 Instance
output "ec2_security_groups" {
  description = "List Security Groups associated with EC2 Instance"
  value = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.security_groups
}

# Attribute Reference - Create Public DNS URL with http:// appended
output "ec2_publicdns" {
  description = "Public DNS URL of an EC2 Instance"
  value = "http://${aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.public_dns}"
  #sensitive = true #Uncomment it during step-04 execution
}
```

## Terraform Variables - Output Values

```
aws_instance.my-ec2-vm: Creation complete after 24s [id=i-0406c6733]

Apply complete! Resources: 3 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

Outputs:

ec2_instance_privateip = "172.31.78.184"
ec2_instance_publicip = "3.235.244.111"
ec2_publicdns = "http://ec2-3-235-244-111.compute-1.amazonaws.com"
ec2_security_groups = toset([
  "vpc-ssh",
  "vpc-web",
])
```



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    Service = local.service_name  
    Owner   = local.owner  
  }  
}
```

```
resource "aws_instance" "example" {  
  # ...  
  
  tags = local.common_tags  
}
```

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# Terraform Variables – Local Values

```
# Create S3 Bucket – with Input Variables & Local Values
locals {
  bucket-name = "${var.app_name}-${var.environment_name}-bucket" # Complex expression
}

resource "aws_s3_bucket" "mys3bucket" {
  bucket = local.bucket-name # Simplified to use in many places
  acl = "private"
  tags = {
    Name = local.bucket-name # Simplified to use in many places
    Environment = var.environment_name
  }
}
```



## Terraform Datasources

# Terraform Datasources

Data sources allow data to be **fetch**ed or **compute**d for use elsewhere in Terraform configuration.

Use of data sources allows a Terraform configuration to make use of information defined **outside of Terraform**, or defined by **another separate Terraform configuration**.

A data source is accessed via a special kind of resource known as a **data resource**, declared using a **data block**

Each data resource is associated with a **single data source**, which determines the **kind of object (or objects)** it reads and what **query constraint arguments** are available

Data resources have the **same dependency resolution behavior** as defined for managed resources. Setting the **depends\_on meta-argument** within data blocks **defers** reading of the data source until after all changes to the dependencies have been **applied**.

```
# Get latest AMI ID for Amazon Linux2 OS
data "aws_ami" "amzlinux" {
  most_recent = true
  owners      = ["amazon"]

  filter {
    name = "name"
    values = ["amzn2-ami-hvm-*"]
  }

  filter {
    name = "root-device-type"
    values = ["ebs"]
  }

  filter {
    name = "virtualization-type"
    values = ["hvm"]
  }

  filter {
    name = "architecture"
    values = ["x86_64"]
  }
}
```

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# Terraform Datasources

We can refer the data resource in a resource as depicted

## Meta-Arguments for Datasources

```
# Create EC2 Instance - Amazon Linux
resource "aws_instance" "my-ec2-vm" {
  ami = data.aws_ami.amzlinux.id
  instance_type = var.ec2_instance_type
  key_name = "terraform-key"
  user_data = file("apache-install.sh")
  vpc_security_group_ids = [aws_security_group.tags = {
    "Name" = "amz-linux-vm"
  }]
}
```

Data resources support the **provider** meta-argument as defined for managed resources, with the **same syntax and behavior**.

Data resources **do not currently have** any customization settings available for their **lifecycle**, but the lifecycle nested block is **reserved** in case any are added in future versions.

Data resources support **count** and **for\_each** meta-arguments as defined for managed resources, with the **same syntax and behavior**. Each instance will **separately read** from its data source with its own variant of the constraint arguments, producing an **indexed result**.

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### Terraform State

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# What is Terraform Backend ?

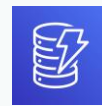
Backends are responsible for storing state and providing an API for state locking.

Terraform  
State  
Storage



AWS S3 Bucket

Terraform  
State  
Locking

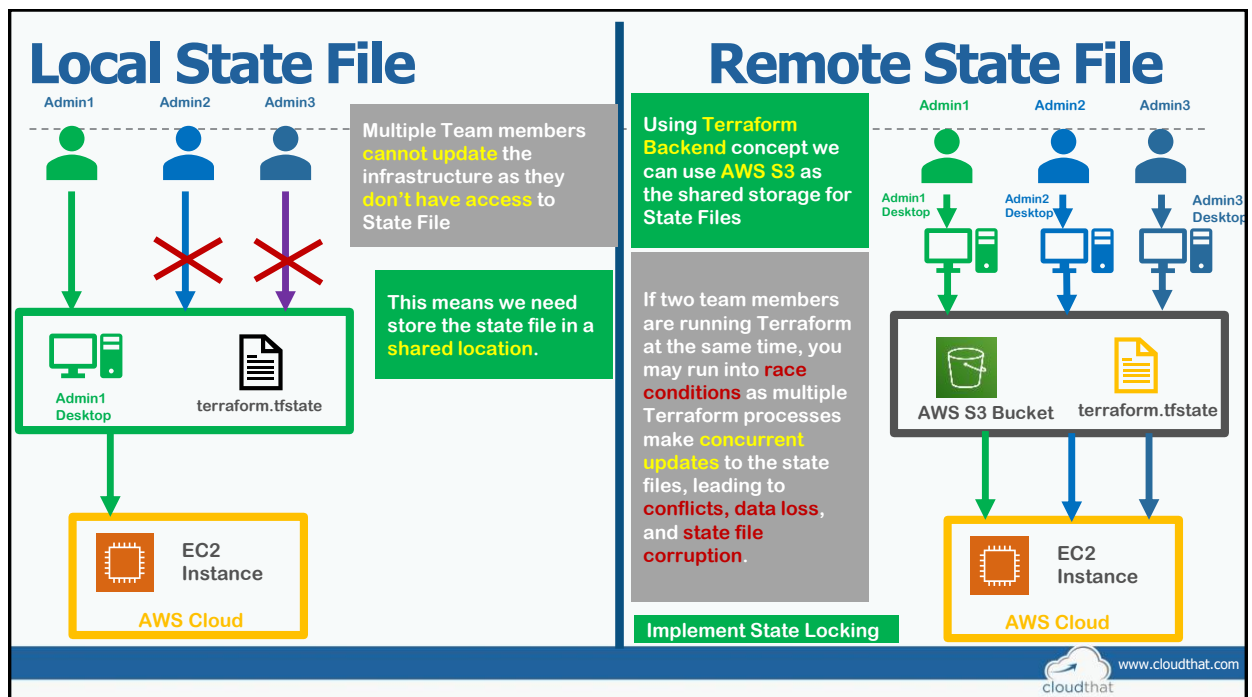


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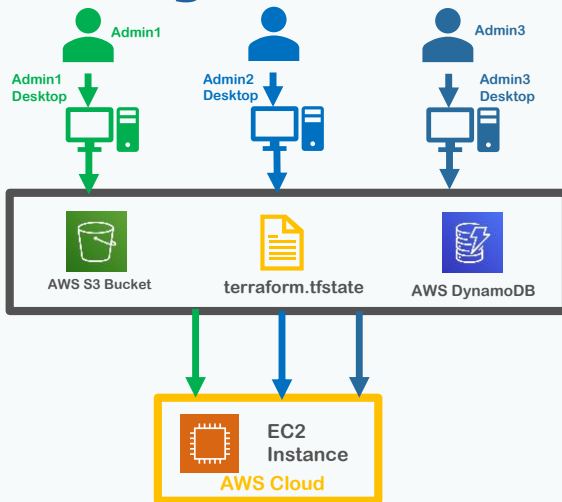
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# Terraform Remote State File with State Locking



**Not** all backends support State Locking. AWS S3 supports State Locking

State locking happens automatically on all operations that could **write state**.

If state locking **fails**, Terraform **will not continue**.

You can **disable** state locking for most commands with the **-lock** flag but it is **not recommended**.

If acquiring the lock is taking **longer** than expected, Terraform will output a **status message**.

If Terraform doesn't output a message, state locking is still **occurring** if your backend supports it.

Terraform has a **force-unlock** command to manually unlock the state if unlocking failed.

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# Terraform Remote State File with State Locking

Terraform State Storage to Remote Backend

Terraform State Locking

```
# Terraform Block
terraform {
  required_version = "~> 0.14" # which means any version greater than 0.14
  required_providers {
    aws = {
      source = "hashicorp/aws"
      version = "~> 3.0"
    }
  }
}

# Adding Backend as S3 for Remote State Storage
backend "s3" {
  bucket = "terraform-stacksimplify"
  key    = "dev/terraform.tfstate"
  region = "us-east-1"
}

# Enable during Step-09
# For State Locking
dynamodb_table = "terraform-dev-state-table"
```

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## Terraform Commands – State Perspective

terraform **show**

terraform  
**refresh**

terraform **plan**

terraform **state**

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Commands

terraform  
**force-unlock**

terraform **taint**

terraform  
**untaint**

terraform  
**apply target**



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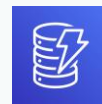
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State  
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AWS S3 Bucket

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AWS DynamoDB



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## Local State File

Admin1

Admin2

Admin3



Multiple Team members **cannot update** the infrastructure as they **don't have access** to State File

This means we need store the state file in a **shared location**.



Admin1 Desktop

terraform.tfstate



EC2 Instance

AWS Cloud

## Remote State File

Admin1

Admin2

Admin3



Using **Terraform Backend** concept we can use **AWS S3** as the shared storage for State Files

If two team members are running Terraform at the same time, you may run into **race conditions** as multiple Terraform processes make **concurrent updates** to the state files, leading to **conflicts, data loss, and state file corruption**.

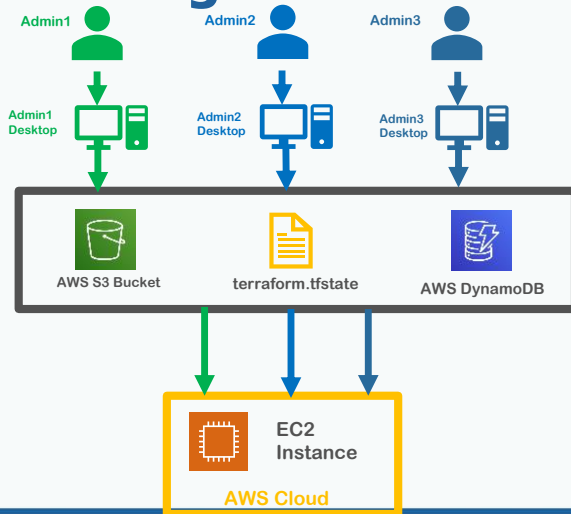
Implement State Locking



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    }
  }
}

# Adding Backend as S3 for Remote State Storage
backend "s3" {
  bucket = "terraform-stacksimplify"
  key     = "dev/terraform.tfstate"
  region = "us-east-1"
}

# Enable during Step-09
# For State Locking
dynamodb_table = "terraform-dev-state-table"
```

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Each **Terraform configuration** can specify a **backend**, which defines **where and how operations are performed**, where **state** snapshots are stored, etc.

### Where Backends are Used

Backend configuration is only used by **Terraform CLI**.

**Terraform Cloud** and **Terraform Enterprise** always use their **own state storage** when performing **Terraform runs**, so they ignore any **backend block** in the configuration.

For **Terraform Cloud users** also it is always **recommended** to use **backend block** in Terraform configuration for commands like **terraform taint** which can be executed only using Terraform CLI

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# Terraform Backends

## What Backends Do

- There are two things backends will be used for
1. Where state is **stored**
  2. Where **operations** are performed.

## Store State

Terraform uses **persistent state data** to keep track of the resources it manages.

**Everyone** working with a given collection of infrastructure resources must be able to **access** the **same** state data (**shared state storage**).

## State Locking

State **Locking** is to **prevent conflicts and inconsistencies** when the operations are being performed

## Operations

"Operations" refers to **performing API requests** against infrastructure services in order to **create, read, update, or destroy** resources.

**Not** every terraform subcommand performs API operations; many of them only **operate on state data**.

Only two backends actually perform operations: **local and remote**.

The **remote backend** can perform API operations remotely, using **Terraform Cloud** or **Terraform Enterprise**.

What are Operations ?  
terraform apply  
terraform destroy

# Terraform Backends

## Backend Types

### Enhanced Backends

Enhanced backends can both **store state** and **perform operations**. There are only two enhanced backends: **local and remote**

Example for Remote Backend  
**Performing Operations** : Terraform Cloud, Terraform Enterprise

### Standard Backends

Standard backends **only store state**, and **rely** on the local backend for performing operations.

Example: AWS S3, Azure RM, Consul, etcd, gcs http and many more



# Terraform Workspace Commands

Terraform Workspace  
Commands

terraform workspace  
**show**

terraform workspace  
**list**

terraform workspace  
**new**

terraform workspace  
**select**

terraform workspace  
**delete**

Usecase-1: Local Backend

Usecase-2: Remote Backend



## Terraform Provisioners

# Terraform Provisioners

Provisioners can be used to **model specific actions** on the **local machine** or on a **remote machine** in order to **prepare servers**

Passing **data** into virtual machines and other compute resources

Running **configuration management** software (packer, chef, ansible)

**Creation-Time** Provisioners

**Failure Behaviour: Continue:** Ignore the error and continue with **creation or destruction**.

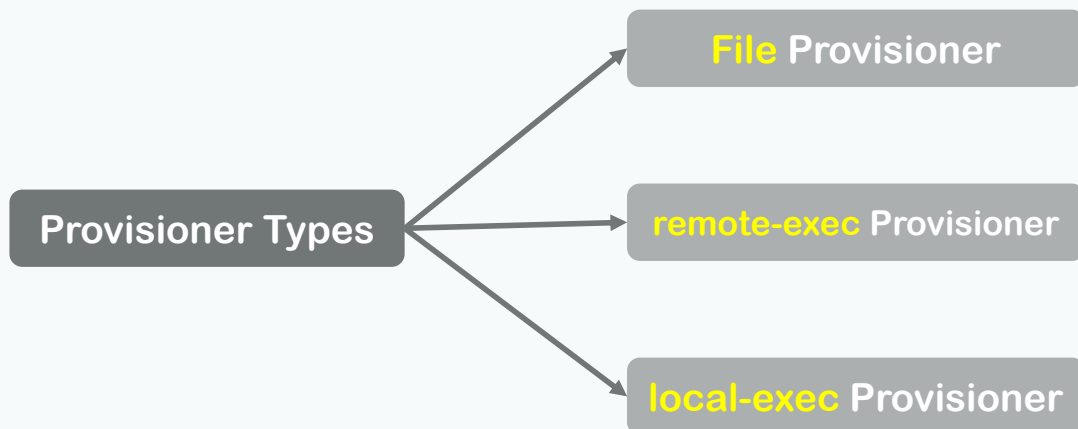
Provisioners are a **Last Resort**

**First-class** Terraform provider functionality may be available

**Destroy-Time** Provisioners

**Failure Behaviour: Fail:** Raise an error and stop applying (the default behavior). If creation provisioner, **taint** resource

## Types of Provisioners



# Connection Block

Most provisioners require **access** to the **remote resource** via **SSH** or **WinRM**, and expect a nested **connection block** with details about how to **connect**.

**Expressions** in connection blocks **cannot** refer to their parent resource by **name**. Instead, they can use the special **self** object.

```
# Connection Block for Provisioners to connect to EC2
connection {
  type = "ssh"
  host = self.public_ip # Understand what is "self"
  user = "ec2-user"
  password = ""
  private_key = file("private-key/terraform-key.pem")
}
```

# File Provisioner

## File Provisioner

- File Provisioner is used to **copy files or directories** from the **machine executing Terraform** to the **newly created resource**.
- The file provisioner supports both **ssh** and **winrm** type of connections

```
# Create EC2 Instance - Amazon2 Linux
resource "aws_instance" "my-ec2-vm" {
  ami           = data.aws_ami.amzlinux.id
  instance_type = var.instance_type
  key_name      = "terraform-key"
  #count = terraform.workspace == "default" ? 1 : 1
  user_data     = file("apache-install.sh")
  vpc_security_group_ids = [aws_security_group.vpc-ssh.id]
  tags = {
    "Name" = "vm-${terraform.workspace}-0"
  }
}

# PLAY WITH /tmp folder in EC2 Instance with File Provisioner
# Connection Block for Provisioners to connect to EC2 Instance
connection {
  type = "ssh"
  host = self.public_ip # Understand what is "self"
  user = "ec2-user"
  password = ""
  private_key = file("private-key/terraform-key.pem")
}
```

```
# Copies the file-copy.html file to /tmp/
provisioner "file" {
  source      = "apps/file-copy.html"
  destination = "/tmp/file-copy.html"
}

# Copies the string in content into /tmp
provisioner "file" {
  content     = "ami used: ${self.ami}"
  destination = "/tmp/file.log"
}

# Copies the app1 folder to /tmp - FOLDER
provisioner "file" {
  source      = "apps/app1"
  destination = "/tmp"
}
```

# local-exec Provisioner

## local-exec Provisioner

- The **local-exec** provisioner **invokes a local executable** after a resource is **created**.
- This invokes a **process on the machine running Terraform**, not on the resource.

```
# local-exec provisioner (Creation-Time Provisioner - Triggered during Create Resource)
provisioner "local-exec" {
  command = "echo ${aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.private_ip} >> creation-time-private-ip.txt"
  working_dir = "local-exec-output-files/"
  #on_failure = continue
}

# local-exec provisioner - (Destroy-Time Provisioner - Triggered during Destroy Resource)
provisioner "local-exec" {
  when      = destroy
  command = "echo Destroy-time provisioner Instance Destroyed at `date` >> destroy-time.txt"
  working_dir = "local-exec-output-files/"
}
```

# remote-exec Provisioner

## remote-exec Provisioner

- The **remote-exec** provisioner **invokes a script on a remote resource** after it is **created**.
- This can be used to **run a configuration management tool, bootstrap** into a cluster, etc.

```
# Copies the file-copy.html file to /tmp/file-copy.html
provisioner "file" {
  source      = "apps/file-copy.html"
  destination = "/tmp/file-copy.html"
}

# Copies the file to Apache Webserver /var/www/html directory
provisioner "remote-exec" {
  inline = [
    "sleep 120", # Will sleep for 120 seconds to ensure Apache v
    "sudo cp /tmp/file-copy.html /var/www/html"
  ]
}
```

# Null-Resource & Provisioners

## null\_resource

- If you need to run provisioners **that aren't directly associated** with a specific resource, you can associate them with a **null\_resource**.
- Instances of **null\_resource** are treated like normal resources, but they **don't do anything**.
- Same as other resource, you can configure **provisioners** and **connection details** on a null\_resource.

```
# Wait for 90 seconds after creating the above
resource "time_sleep" "wait_90_seconds" {
  depends_on = [aws_instance.my-ec2-vm]
  create_duration = "90s"
}

# Sync App1 Static Content to Webserver using P
resource "null_resource" "sync_app1_static" {
  depends_on = [ time_sleep.wait_90_seconds ]
  triggers = {
    always-update = timestamp()
  }
}
```

```
# Connection Block for Provisioners to connect to EC2
connection {
  type = "ssh"
  host = aws_instance.my-ec2-vm.public_ip
  user = "ec2-user"
  password = ""
  private_key = file("private-key/terraform-key.pem")
}

# Copies the app1 folder to /tmp
provisioner "file" {
  source = "apps/app1"
  destination = "/tmp"
}

# Copies the /tmp/app1 folder to Apache Webserver /var/www
provisioner "remote-exec" {
  inline = [
    "sudo cp -r /tmp/app1 /var/www/html"
  ]
}
```

# Thanks