

Part 1: Infrastructure Setup with Terraform: -

1. AWS Setup and Terraform Initialization:-

Install AWS CLI: Follow [AWS CLI installation guide](#).

Once installed, configure it with:

```
bash
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aws configure
```

Enter your AWS access key, secret key, region, and output format when prompted.

- **Install Terraform:** Download and install Terraform from here.

```
$ choco install terraform
Chocolatey v2.2.2
3 validations performed. 2 success(es), 1 warning(s), and 0 error(s).

Validation Warnings:
- A pending system reboot request has been detected, however, this is
  being ignored due to the current Chocolatey configuration. If you
  want to halt when this occurs, then either set the global feature
  using:
    choco feature enable --name="exitOnRebootDetected"
  or pass the option --exit-when-reboot-detected.

Installing the following packages:
terraform
By installing, you accept licenses for the packages.
terraform v1.9.5 already installed.
Use --force to reinstall, specify a version to install, or try upgrade.

Chocolatey installed 0/1 packages.
See the log for details (C:\ProgramData\chocolatey\logs\chocolatey.log).

Warnings:
- terraform - terraform v1.9.5 already installed.
  Use --force to reinstall, specify a version to install, or try upgrade.

HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-microservice (master)
$ terraform --version
Terraform v1.9.5
on windows_amd64

Your version of Terraform is out of date! The latest version
is 1.9.7. You can update by downloading from https://www.terraform.io/downloads.html
```

- **Initialize Terraform Project:** Create a new directory for your Terraform project:

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform
$ mkdir terraform-mern-app

HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform
$
```

Create a file `main.tf` and start by configuring the provider: -

```
Welcome  main.tf  x
terraform-mern-app > main.tf > ...
1  provider "aws" {
2    region = "ap-south-1" # Replace with your region
3  }
```

2. VPC and Network Configuration: -

- Create a VPC with subnets: Define the VPC and subnets (public and private) in main.tf: -

```
Welcome
main.tf
terraform-mern-app > main.tf > ...
1 provider "aws" {
2   region = "ap-south-1" # Replace with your desired AWS region
3 }
4
5 resource "aws_vpc" "my_vpc" {
6   cidr_block = "10.0.0.0/16"
7   enable_dns_support = true
8   enable_dns_hostnames = true
9   tags = {
10    Name = "my-vpc"
11  }
12 }
13
14 resource "aws_subnet" "public_subnet" {
15   vpc_id = aws_vpc.my_vpc.id
16   cidr_block = "10.0.1.0/24"
17   map_public_ip_on_launch = true
18   availability_zone = "ap-south-1a" # Use the correct availability zone for your region
19   tags = {
20    Name = "public-subnet"
21  }
22 }
```

- Set up Internet and NAT Gateways: Add this to main.tf:

```
32 resource "aws_internet_gateway" "igw" {
33   vpc_id = aws_vpc.my_vpc.id
34 }
35
36 resource "aws_nat_gateway" "nat_gw" {
37   allocation_id = aws_eip.nat_eip.id
38   subnet_id = aws_subnet.public_subnet.id
39 }
40
41 resource "aws_eip" "nat_eip" {
42   vpc = true
43 }
```

- Route Tables Configuration: -

```
resource "aws_route_table" "public_route" {
  vpc_id = aws_vpc.my_vpc.id
  route {
    cidr_block = "0.0.0.0/0"
    gateway_id = aws_internet_gateway.igw.id
  }
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "public_assoc" {
  subnet_id = aws_subnet.public_subnet.id
  route_table_id = aws_route_table.public_route.id
}

resource "aws_route_table" "private_route" {
  vpc_id = aws_vpc.my_vpc.id
  route {
    cidr_block = "0.0.0.0/0"
    nat_gateway_id = aws_nat_gateway.nat_gw.id
  }
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "private_assoc" {
  subnet_id = aws_subnet.private_subnet.id
  route_table_id = aws_route_table.private_route.id
}
```

3. EC2 Instance Provisioning: -

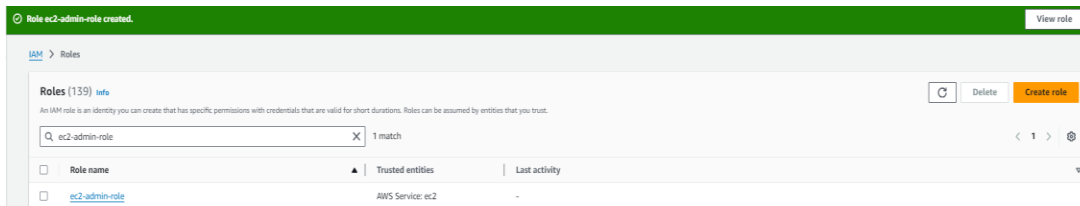
- **Provision EC2 Instances:** Create one instance in the public subnet for the web server and one in the private subnet for MongoDB:

```

terraform-mern-app > ec2.tf > ...
1  resource "aws_instance" "web_server" {
2      ami           = "ami-0dee22c13ea7a9a67" # Replace with your AMI ID
3      instance_type = "t2.micro"
4      subnet_id     = aws_subnet.public_subnet.id
5      key_name      = "mern-boto3-key-pair"
6      security_groups = [aws_security_group.web_sg.id]
7
8      tags = {
9          Name = "Web Server"
10     }
11 }
12
13 resource "aws_instance" "db_server" {
14     ami           = "ami-0dee22c13ea7a9a67" # Replace with your AMI ID
15     instance_type = "t2.micro"
16     subnet_id     = aws_subnet.private_subnet.id
17     key_name      = "mern-boto3-key-pair"
18     security_groups = [aws_security_group.db_sg.id]
19
20     tags = {
21         Name = "Database Server"
22     }
23 }
24

```

- **IAM Role:** Create an IAM role for EC2 instances with necessary permissions:-



- Infra creation on aws using terraform below is the main.tf file which is used to provision the total infra which is required to deploy our mern web-app on the aws console:-

```

terraform-mern-app > main.tf > resource "aws_security_group" "web_sg" > egress > [ ] cidr_blocks
83 }
84
85 resource "aws_route_table_association" "private_subnet_association" {
86     subnet_id = aws_subnet.private_subnet.id
87     route_table_id = aws_route_table.private_route_table.id
88 }
89
90 # Security Groups
91 # Web Server Security Group (Allow HTTP and SSH)
92 resource "aws_security_group" "web_sg" {
93     name = "web_sg"
94     description = "Allow web traffic for the MERN app"
95     vpc_id = aws_vpc.my_vpc.id
96
97     ingress {
98         description = "Allow HTTP"
99         from_port = 80
100         to_port = 80
101         protocol = "tcp"
102         cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
103     }
104
105     ingress {
106         description = "Allow SSH from your IP"
107         from_port = 22
108         to_port = 22
109         protocol = "tcp"
110         cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"] # Replace with your actual IP address
111     }
112
113     egress {
114         from_port = 0
115         to_port = 0
116         protocol = "-1"
117         cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
118     }
119 }
120

```

Note: -you need to follow the below steps for deploying the mern-app on aws using the above script: -

- terraform init (for the initializing the terraform in the aws environment)

b.terraform plan (which will display what exactly will be deployed after hitting the terraform apply.

c.terraform apply (which will actually provision the infra for which you wrote the main.tf and the one infra which was showned to you after hitting the terraform plan.

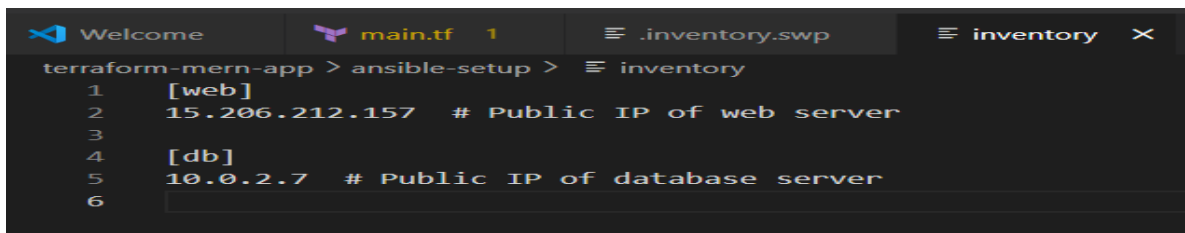
Part 2: Configuration and Deployment with Ansible

1. Ansible Configuration: -

A) Install Ansible: Follow the Ansible installation guide.

B) Configure Ansible Inventory: Create an inventory file (inventory) with EC2 instance IPs:-

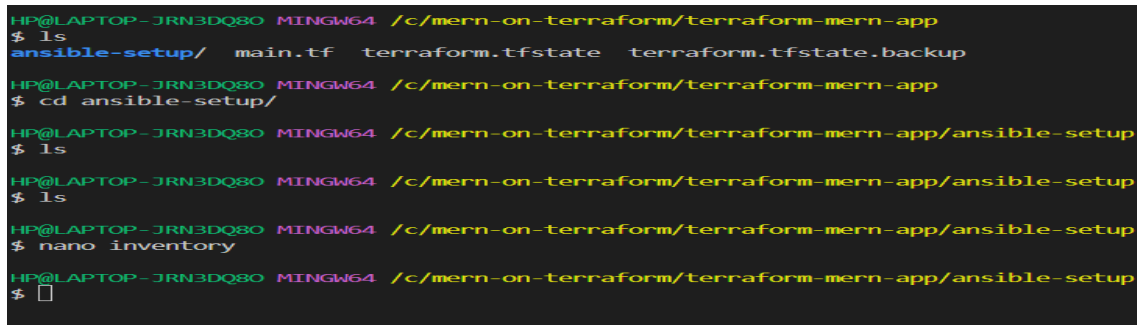
Step 2: Create the Ansible Inventory File



```
Welcome | main.tf 1 | .inventory.swp | inventory X
terraform-mern-app > ansible-setup > inventory
1  [web]
2  15.206.212.157 # Public IP of web server
3
4  [db]
5  10.0.2.7 # Public IP of database server
6
```

The inventory file contains the list of your EC2 instances that Ansible will manage. It should be created on your local machine.

- **Create a new directory** for your Ansible files:
mkdir ansible-setup (creates the directory inside our project directory), cd ansible-setup(change the directory)



```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app
$ ls
ansible-setup/  main.tf  terraform.tfstate  terraform.tfstate.backup
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app
$ cd ansible-setup/
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$ ls
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$ ls
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$ nano inventory
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$
```

- **Create an inventory file** inside this directory:

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$ ls
inventory
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/mern-on-terraform/terraform-mern-app/ansible-setup
$
```

- Add the public IP addresses of your EC2 instances in the inventory file, organized by groups. Here's an example:

```
Welcome  main.tf 1 .inventory.swp inventory
terraform-mern-app > ansible-setup > inventory
1  [web]
2  15.206.212.157 # Public IP of web server
3
4  [db]
5  10.0.2.7 # Public IP of database server
6  ls
7
```

Step 3: Set Up SSH Access to EC2 Instances

Note:-as the key pair was not created during the launch time of ec2 hence i was not able to take ssh into the same so in that case you need to

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for connecting to an EC2 instance. The breadcrumb navigation indicates the path: EC2 > Instances > i-016455cb5d0e55b7d > Connect to instance. The main heading is 'Connect to instance' with an 'Info' link. Below this, it states: 'Connect to your instance i-016455cb5d0e55b7d (Web_Server) using any of these options'. There are four tabs: 'EC2 Instance Connect', 'Session Manager' (which is selected), 'SSH client', and 'EC2 serial console'. Under the 'Session Manager' tab, there is a section titled 'Session Manager usage:' with the following bullet points:

- Connect to your instance without SSH keys, a bastion host, or opening any inbound ports.
- Sessions are secured using an AWS Key Management Service key.
- You can log session commands and details in an Amazon S3 bucket or CloudWatch Logs log group.
- Configure sessions on the Session Manager [Preferences](#) page.

At the bottom right of the main content area are 'Cancel' and 'Connect' buttons. Below the main content, there is a footer area with session details: 'Session ID: rajgreetasingh@hagide59@gmail.com-3ffdz2rlxsl75yfncozylbare' and 'Instance ID: i-016455cb5d0e55b7d'. At the very bottom, a terminal window shows the command: `$ aws ssm start-session --target i-016455cb5d0e55b7d` and the output: `root@ip-10-0-1-117:/vnc/amazon-ssm-agent/7993d`.

Step 4: Write Your Ansible Playbooks:-

You can now create playbooks for configuring your servers.

Create a playbook for the web server to install Node.js and clone the MERN application:

By hitting “nano web_setup.yml”

```
GNU nano 7.2
---
- hosts: web
  become: true
  tasks:
    - name: Update apt packages
      apt: update_cache=yes

    - name: Install Node.js and npm
      apt:
        name: "{{ item }}"
        state: present
      loop:
        - nodejs
        - npm

    - name: Clone the MERN application from GitHub
      git:
        repo: 'https://github.com/UnpredictablePrashant/TravelMemory.git'
        dest: /home/ubuntu/TravelMemory
```

2.Create a playbook for the database server to install MongoDB:

```
terraform-mern-app > ansible-setup > ! db_setup.yml
1  ---
2  - hosts: db
3    become: true
4    tasks:
5      - name: Update apt packages
6        apt: update_cache=yes
7
8      - name: Install MongoDB
9        apt:
10         name: mongodb
11         state: present
12
13     - name: Start MongoDB
14       service:
15         name: mongodb
16         state: started
17         enabled: yes
18
```

3.Run the playbook for the web server: -

```
root@ip-10-0-1-117:~# ansible-playbook -i inventory web_setup.yml
PLAY [localhost]
TASK [Gathering Facts]
[WARNING]: Platform linux on host localhost is using the discovered Python interpreter at /usr/bin/python3.12, but future installation of another Python interpreter could change the meaning of that path. See
https://docs.ansible.com/ansible-core/2.17/reference_appendices/interpreter_discovery.html for more information.
ok: [localhost]
TASK [Update APT package manager repositories]
changed: [localhost]
TASK [Install curl]
ok: [localhost]
TASK [Install required dependencies for Node.js]
ok: [localhost] => (install-certificates)
ok: [localhost] => (install-gpg)
ok: [localhost] => (install-release)
TASK [Download Node.js setup script]
changed: [localhost]
```

5. Security Hardening:

- Harden the security by configuring firewalls and security groups.
- Implement additional security measures as needed (e.g., SSH key pairs, disabling root login).

