

Lab Exercise 6– Terraform Variables

Objective:

Learn how to define and use variables in Terraform configuration.

Prerequisites:

- Install Terraform on your machine.

Steps:

1. Create a Terraform Directory:

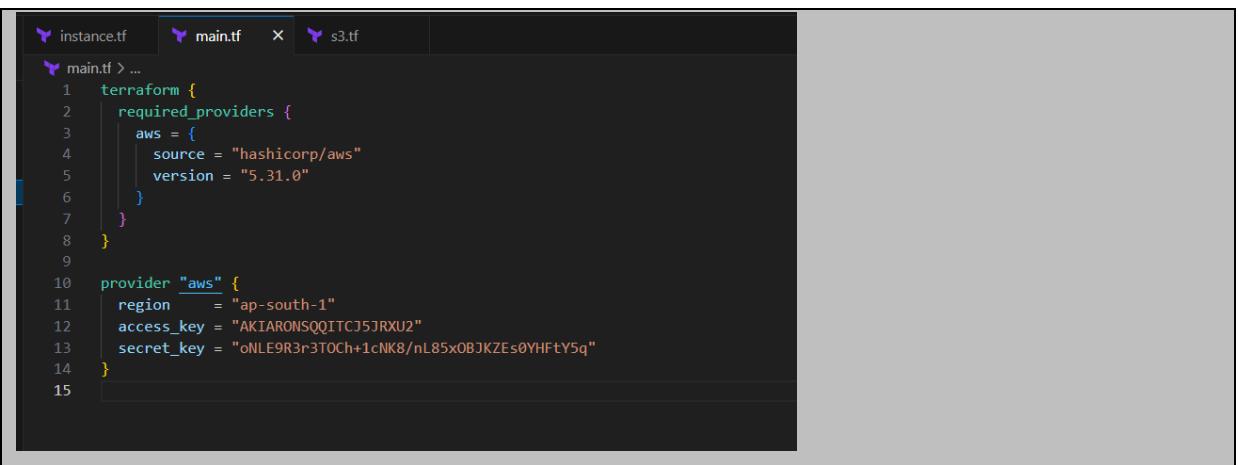
- Create a new directory for your Terraform project.

```
mkdir terraform-variables  
cd terraform-variables
```

2. Create a Terraform Configuration File:

- Create a file named main.tf within your project directory.

```
# main.tf
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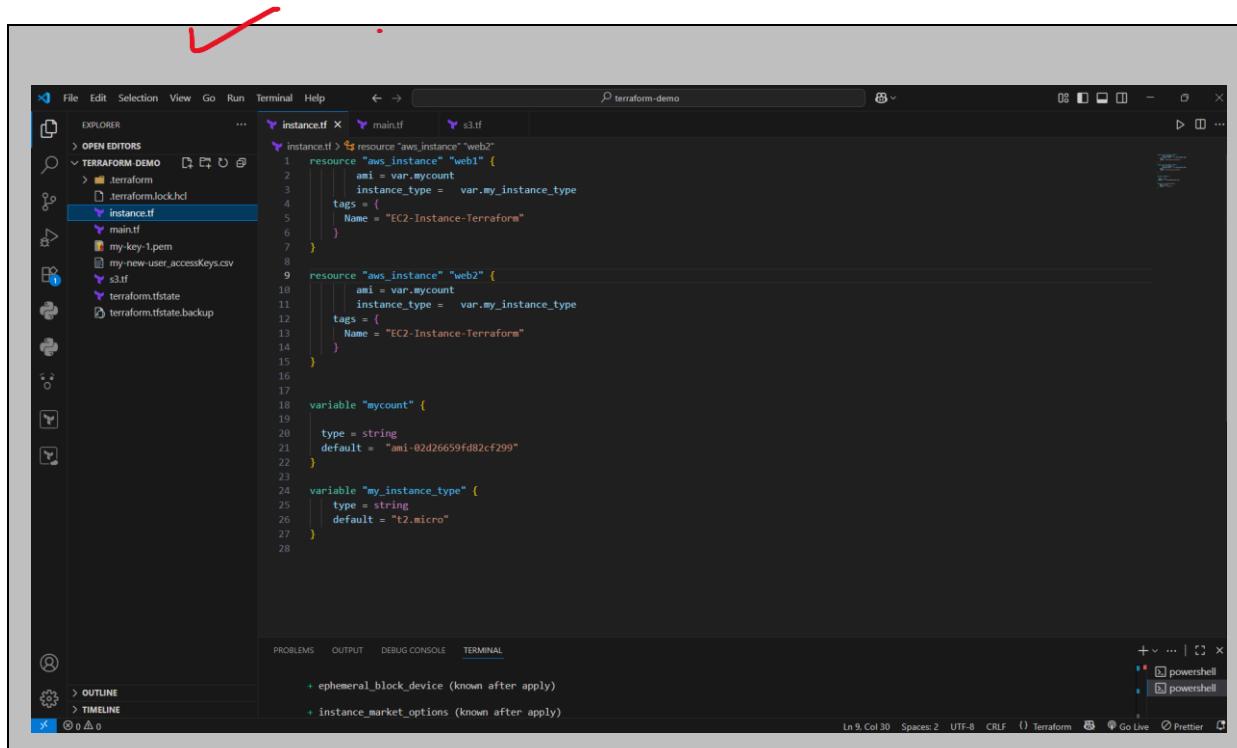
The screenshot shows a code editor window with three tabs at the top: 'instance.tf', 'main.tf', and 's3.tf'. The 'main.tf' tab is active. The code editor displays the following Terraform configuration:

```
terraform {  
  required_providers {  
    aws = {  
      source = "hashicorp/aws"  
      version = "5.31.0"  
    }  
  }  
}  
  
provider "aws" {  
  region = "ap-south-1"  
  access_key = "AKIARONSQQITCJ5JRXU2"  
  secret_key = "oNLE9R3r3TOCh+1cNK8/nL85x0BJKZE0YHFtY5q"  
}
```

3. Define Variables:

- Open a new file named variables.tf. Define variables for region, ami, and instance_type.

variables.tf



```
File Edit Selection View Go Run Terminal Help instance.tf x main.tf s3.tf
OPEN EDITORS
TERRAFORM-DEMO
> .terraform
  terraform.lock.hcl
  instance.tf
    main.tf
    my-key-1.pem
    my-new-user.accessKeys.csv
    s3.tf
    terraform.tfstate
    terraform.tfstate.backup
variable "mycount" {
  type = string
  default = "ami-02d26659fd82cf299"
}
variable "my_instance_type" {
  type = string
  default = "t2.micro"
}

resource "aws_instance" "web1" {
  ami = var.mycount
  instance_type = var.my_instance_type
  tags = {
    Name = "EC2-Instance-Terraform"
  }
}

resource "aws_instance" "web2" {
  ami = var.mycount
  instance_type = var.my_instance_type
  tags = {
    Name = "EC2-Instance-Terraform"
  }
}

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+ instance_market_options (known after apply)
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4. Initialize and Apply:

- Run the following Terraform commands to initialize and apply the configuration.

terraform init

terraform plan

terraform apply -auto-approve

Observe how the region changes based on the variable override.

```

PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
PS C:\Users\Up\Desktop\Notes\Untitled-1\terraform-demo terraform apply
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:

# my-new-aws-ec2-instance will be created
+ aws_instance.web1
  + ami = "ami-0f050906d02cf739"
  + associate_public_ip_address = (known after apply)
  + cpu_core_count = (known after apply)
  + cpu_core_threads = (known after apply)
  + disable_api_stop = (known after apply)
  + instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
  + instance_lifecycle = (known after apply)
  + instance_type = "t2.micro"
  + ipv4_address_count = (known after apply)
  + ipv4_addresses = (known after apply)
  + key_name = (known after apply)
  + monitoring = (known after apply)
  + network_interface_id = (known after apply)
  + password_data = (known after apply)
  + placement_group = (known after apply)
  + placement_partition_number = (known after apply)
  + primary_network_interface_id = (known after apply)
  + private_ip = (known after apply)
  + public_ip = (known after apply)
  + security_groups = (known after apply)
  + subnet_id = (known after apply)
  + spot_instance_request_id = (known after apply)
  + tags {
      + "Name" = "EC2-Instance-Terraform"
    }
  + tag_all = "EC2-Instance-Terraform"
  + user_data = (known after apply)
  + user_data_replace_on_change = false
  + vpc_security_group_ids = (known after apply)

  capacity_reservation_specification (known after apply)

+ aws_options (known after apply)
+ aws_block_device (known after apply)
+ ec2eptions (known after apply)
+ ephemeral_block_device (known after apply)
+ instance_market_options (known after apply)
+ maintenance_options (known after apply)
+ metadata_options (known after apply)

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+ maintenance_options (known after apply)
+ metadata_options (known after apply)
+ network_interface (known after apply)
+ private_dns_name_options (known after apply)

```

5. Clean Up:

After testing, you can clean up resources.

terraform destroy

Confirm the destruction by typing yes.

6. Conclusion:

This lab exercise introduces you to Terraform variables and demonstrates how to use them in your configurations. Experiment with different variable values and overrides to understand their impact on the infrastructure provisioning process.