Managing State in Terraform



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Overview



State data exploration

Backend options for state data

Migrating state data



Globomantics Environment





Work with the larger team

Create infrastructure for other teams

Enable collaboration through remote state

Restrict access for other teams



Current Environment

10.0.0.0/24 10.0.1.0/24 10.0.2.0/24 public public public 10.0.10.0/24 10.0.11.0/24 10.0.12.0/24 private private private us-east-1b us-east-1c us-east-1a

VPC - 10.0.0.0/16

Terraform State



JSON format (Do not touch!)

Resources mappings and metadata

Inspect through CLI

Refreshed during operations

Stored in backends

- Standard & enhanced
- Locking & workspaces



Terraform State Commands

list – list objects in state data

show – show details about an object

mv – move an item in state

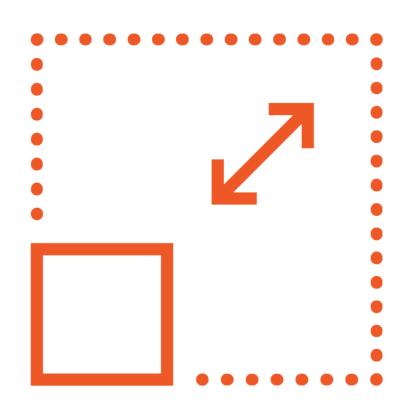
rm - remove an item from state

pull – output current state to stdout

push – update remote state from local



Backends



State data is stored in backends

Backends must be initialized

Partial configurations are recommended

Interpolation is not supported



Backend Example

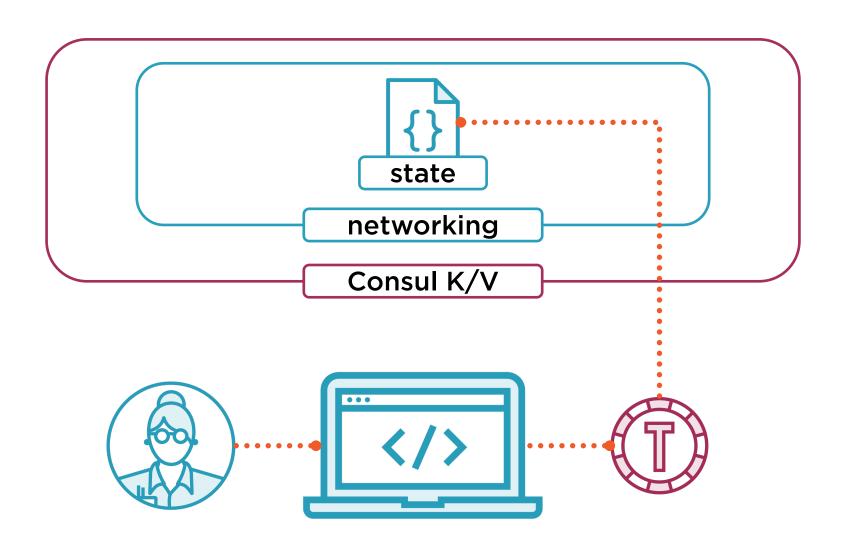
#Basic backend configuration

```
terraform {
  backend "type" {
    # backend info
    # authentication info
  }
}
```

#Backends: Consul, AWS S3, Azure Storage, Google Cloud Storage



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Migrating Terraform State



Update backend configuration



Run terraform init



Confirm state migration



Summary



Terraform state is kinda important
State management through CLI
Remote state is preferred

Coming up:

- Using data sources and templates

