



Infrastructure as Code

Session 2

```
import * as aws from "@pulumi/aws";
import * as azure from "@pulumi/azure";
import * as gcp from "@pulumi/gcp";
import * as k8s from "@pulumi/kubernetes";

// Create a cluster in each cloud
let clusters = [
    new aws.EksCluster("my-eks-cluster"),
    new azure.AksCluster("my-aks-cluster"),
    new gcp.KubernetesEngineCluster("my-gke-cluster"),
];

// Deploy the same Kuard app to each of our clusters
let services = [];
for (const cluster of clusters) {
    apps.push(
        new k8s.x.ServiceDeployment("kuard-demo-svc", {
            image: "gcr.io/kuard-demo/kuard-amd64",
            replicas: 3,
            ports: [{ port: 80, targetPort: 8080 }],
            allocateLoadBalancer: true,
        }, { provider: cluster.provider })
    );
}

// Export our cluster configs and app endpoints for easy access
export let kubeConfigs = clusters.map(cl => cl.kubeconfig);
export let appEndpoints = services.map(svc => svc.loadBalancerAddress);
```

Session 2 Overview

- Pulumi 101 (slides) - 30 mins
 - Projects, Stacks & Resources
 - Inputs and outputs and secrets
 - Stack Configuration
- Creating stacks and resources (hands-on) - 45 mins
- Wrap up and Q&A - 15 mins

Project, Stacks, and Resources

Projects and Stacks

- Projects = Pulumi infrastructure as code (i.e. resource declarations)
- Stacks = Instantiations of a project.
 - Can have any number of stacks for a project (e.g. dev, staging, preprod, prod, etc).
- Stacks can be driven by stack-specific configuration files.
 - E.g. dev stack is driven by Pulumi.dev.yaml which may deploy to region X,
 - While prod stack is driven by Pulumi.prod.yaml which may deploy to region Y and deploy with a specific number of instances or pods or whatever.
- Stack Names
 - Relative stack name: "dev" or "prod"
 - Related to the stack config file
 - Full stack name: "<org>/<project>/<stack>"
 - E.g. acme/ecommerce/staging

Projects and Stacks in the UI



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Organization



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PROJECT

CONFIG

Sort By

Last Update ▾

Project

aws-py-wordpress-fargate-rds

A minimal AWS Python Pulumi program



dev-mitch

updated 19 days ago

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staging

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Stacks

Pulumi CLI - Stack Basics

- To instantiate or update a stack: `pulumi up`
- To destroy a stack: `pulumi destroy`
- To see the list of stacks: `pulumi stack ls`
 - The stack with the * (asterisk) is the currently active stack.
- To see the current stack's resources and info: `pulumi stack`
- To select a different stack: `pulumi stack select`
- To initialize a new stack: `pulumi stack init`
- To see a stack's outputs: `pulumi output`
 - To see secret outputs: `pulumi output --show-secrets`
- To refresh a stack state by querying the providers: `pulumi refresh`
 - Generally only done when something goes wrong.
 - `pulumi up` takes `-r` and `--expect-no-changes` flags

Doc Link: <https://www.pulumi.com/docs/reference/cli/>

Pulumi Stack Configuration

- To set configuration values: `pulumi config set <KEY> <VALUE>`
- To set secret configuration values: `pulumi config set <KEY> --secret`
 - Will then be prompted for the value.
- To use configuration values in code:

```
import pulumi
config = pulumi.Config()
num_vms = config.get("num_vms") or 1
username = config.require("username")
password = config.get_secret("password")
api_key = config.require_secret("api_key")
```

- The “get” functions will return undefined if config not found.
- The “require” functions fail if config not found.

Pulumi Resource Basics

- Main Documentation for Pulumi Providers:
 - <https://www.pulumi.com/docs/reference/pkg/>

- Resource Declaration Example:

```
resource_group = resources.ResourceGroup("resource_group")
```

- Creates a resource group with a name like “resource_group24d4d”
 - Autonaming is default behavior to avoid naming conflicts.
 - Generally this is fine since other resources can reference the name property.

- Can override autonaming behavior by specifying “name” property:

```
resource_group = resources.ResourceGroup("resource_group", resource_group_name="my_rg")
```

- Creates a resource group with name “my_rg”

Resource Options

- Resources Options are a set of properties that Pulumi makes available to modify default behaviors.
 - **parent**: establish a parent-child relationship. Mostly used in “component resources”
 - **dependsOn**: specify an explicit dependency.
 - **ignoreChanges**: mark that certain properties should be ignored when deciding whether or not to update.
 - **protect**: Mark a resource a protected. Pulumi will not allow the resource to be destroyed.
 - **provider**: pass an explicit provider.
 - **additionalSecretOutputs**: specify properties that must be treated as secrets.
 - **aliases**: used for refactoring where a resource name or parent path changes so that Pulumi doesn't see it as a replacement action (i.e. create new/delete old).

Doc Link: <https://www.pulumi.com/docs/intro/concepts/resources/#options>

Accessing Resource Outputs

- Some resource properties are not known until the resource is deployed.
 - When referenced as inputs for other resources, Pulumi generally takes care of waiting.
 - <https://www.pulumi.com/docs/intro/concepts/inputs-outputs/>

- “apply” - Used for a single property.

```
url = virtual_machine.dns_name.apply(  
    lambda dns_name: "https://" + dns_name  
)
```

- “all” - Used when need to wait for multiple properties

```
connection_string = Output.all(server=sql_server.name, db=database.name) \  
    .apply(lambda args: f"Server=tcp:{args['server']}.database.windows.net;initial  
catalog={args['db']}...")
```

- “concat” - Easy way to create strings with promised values

```
url = Output.concat("http://", vm.dns_name, ":", iface.port, "/")
```

Secrets in Pulumi

Any value marked or identified as a secret is prevented from being written in logs or available in the SaaS or appear in plaintext in the outputs.

- Configuration file secrets (review)
 - Set secret in config: `pulumi config set <VALUE> --secret`
 - Get config secret in code: `password = config.get_secret("password")`
- Secrets in Code
 - Any value can be set as a secret in code:
`api_key = pulumi.Output.secret(service.key)`
 - The `api_key` value can be used in the code but Pulumi treats it and anything that uses it as a secret.
- Secrets in Output - to see outputs marked as “[secret]” use `--show-secrets` option
`Pulumi stack output --show-secrets`

Exercises

Prerequisites

Goal: Have a working Pulumi-Azure-Python environment

- Install Pulumi
 - Mac: `brew install pulumi`
 - Windows: `choco install pulumi`
 - Mac/Linux: `curl -fsSL https://get.pulumi.com | sh`
- Install Python3 (3.6+)
- Install az command line and login
 - `az login`
- (Optional test) Create a folder, pulumi new, pulumi up, pulumi destroy
 - `mkdir test-project && cd test-project`
 - `pulumi new azure-python`
 - `pulumi up`
 - `pulumi destroy`

Hands-On

Goal: Understand projects, stacks, and stack configuration

- Creating stacks and resources (hands-on) - 45 mins
 - Project/Stack Basics:
 - Stack outputs
 - Stack-specific configuration - plaintext
 - Advanced Project/Stack Concepts
 - Stack-specific configuration - secrets
 - Programmatic secrets in code and in outputs
 - Simple modules

Exercises - Stack Basics

Goal: Pulumi Stack Basics

- Set up workspace
 - `pulumi new`
https://github.com/pulumi/training/tree/main/azure-python/1_stack-basics
- Open `__main__.py`
 - Follow exercises in comments.

Exercises - Advanced Stack Topics

Goal: Pulumi Stack Advanced Topics

- Set up workspace
 - `pulumi new`
https://github.com/pulumi/training/tree/main/azure-python/2_stack-advanced-topics
- Open `__main__.py`
 - Follow exercises in comments.