Configuring ARM Templates for Multi-VM Deployment



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Overview



Prepare the environment with Azure Policy

Author and validate ARM template

Deploy the ARM template and verify infrastructure



Prepare the Environment with Azure Policy



RBAC vs. Azure Policy

Focuses on user actions at different scopes

VM Contributor can manage only VM

Built-in and custom roles

RBAC | Azure Policy

Focuses on resource properties during deployment for already existing resources

Uses a default allow and explicit deny access system

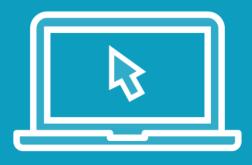


Some Built-in Azure Policy Definitions

Deploy MMS Allowed locations VM SKUs extension



Demo



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Define subscription-level policy to govern:

- Region selection
- VM instance SKU (2016-Datacenter)

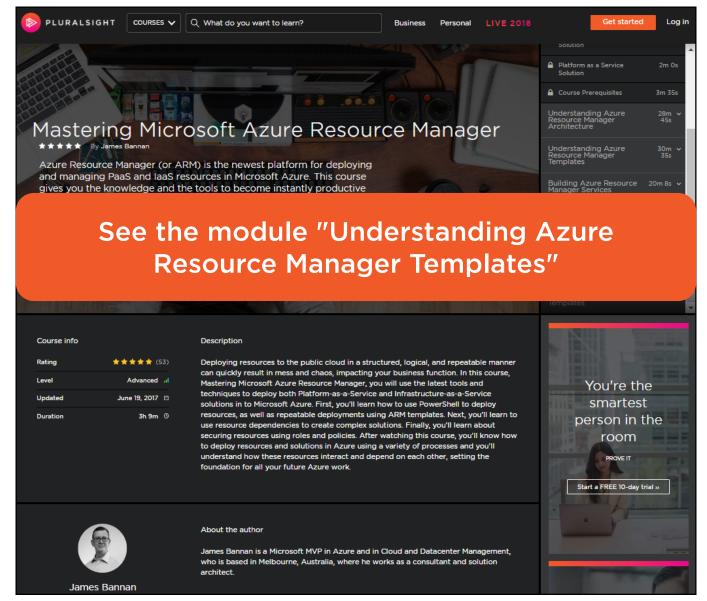
Try to deploy a Server 2012 VM in an unauthorized region



Author and Validate an ARM Template

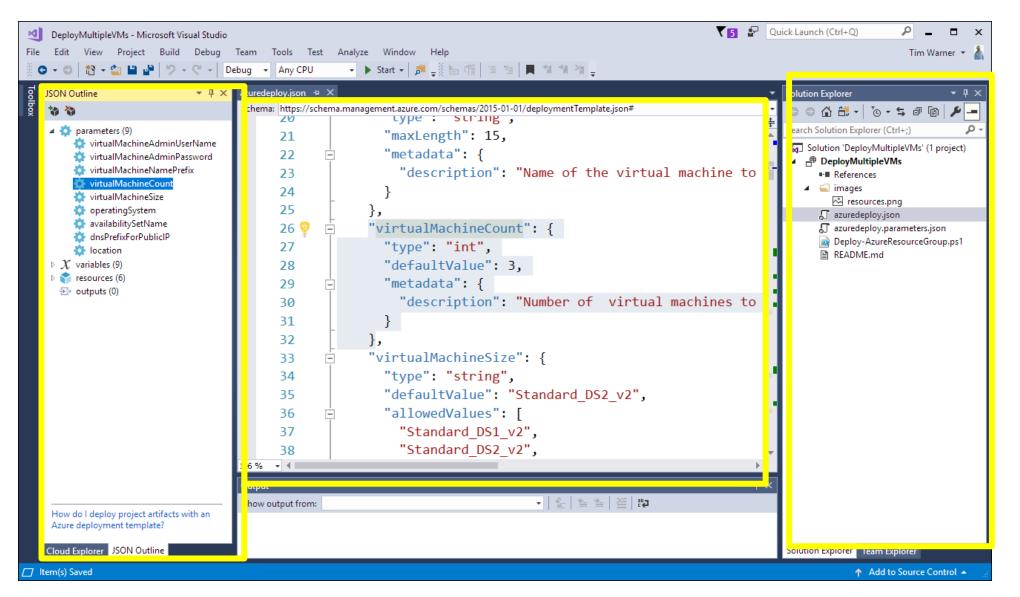


ARM Template Basic Training





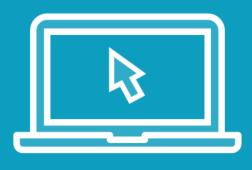
Visual Studio as an ARM Template Editor



Deploying Multiple Instances of Azure Resources

```
"$schema": "https://schema.management.azure.com/schemas/2015-01-01/deploymentTemplate.json#
"contentVersion": "1.0.0.0",
"resources": [
                                                  copyIndex()
                                                    function
       "apiVersion": "2016-01-01",
       "type": "Microsoft.Storage/storageAccounts,
       "name": "[concat(copyIndex(),'storage', uniqueString(resourceGroup().id))]",
       "location": "[resourceGroup().location]",
       "sku": {
           "name": "Standard LRS"
                                                                   Ostoragethx1138
                                                                   1storageabc1234
                                      copy element
       "kind": "Storage
                                                                   2storage8675309
       "properties";
           "name": "storagecopy",
           "count": 3
"outputs": {}
```

Demo



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Deploy Azure Quickstart Template (201vm-copy-managed-disks) on my host in VS



Deploy the ARM Template and Verify Infrastructure



New-AzureRmResourceGroupDeployment

- -Name 'multi-vms'
- -ResourceGroupName 'rg1'
- -Mode Incremental
- -TemplateFile '.\azdeploy.json'
- -TemplateParameterFile 'azpar.json'

■ RG must already exist

- ◆ Or 'Complete'
- ◆ Or 'TemplateUri'
- ◆ Or 'TemplateParameterUri'



Demo



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Deploy the template

- From Visual Studio
- From Azure Cloud Shell



Summary



Your time spent in mastering ARM templates is wisely invested

- For your career
- For your MSFT certification success

ARM templates are the foundation of automation and DevOps in Azure

Next module: Deploying Azure VM Scale Sets

