Deploy an EKS Cluster with Terraform

Project Overview







This project uses **Terraform** to provision an **Amazon EKS Cluster** on AWS. By leveraging **Infrastructure as Code (IaC)**, we automate the deployment of Kubernetes clusters with modular and reusable Terraform configurations.

◇ Kubernetes (K8s) manages containerized applications efficiently. ◇ EKS (Elastic Kubernetes Service) is a managed K8s solution on AWS. ◇ Terraform simplifies infrastructure provisioning with reusable modules.

With this setup, you can deploy, manage, and scale Kubernetes workloads seamlessly!

Project Structure

The repository follows a modular structure for better organization and reusability:

```
EKS-CLUSTER-TERRAFORM/
 -- modules/
                              # Terraform modules
    — eks/
                              # EKS module
        — main.tf
                             # Defines EKS cluster
          outputs.tf
                             # Outputs for EKS cluster
         variables.tf
                             # Variables for EKS cluster
                              # VPC module
        — main.tf
                             # Defines networking resources
          outputs.tf
                              # Outputs for VPC
                              # Variables for VPC
         — variables.tf
                              # Git ignore file
 — .gitignore
  LICENSE
                              # License file
 — kubectl.sha256
                              # Checksum for kubectl
  - .terraform.lock.hcl
                              # Terraform lock file
 — kubernetes.tf
                              # Kubernetes resources definition
  main.tf
                              # Root Terraform configuration
```

- ⋄ modules/eks Manages EKS cluster deployment. ⋄ modules/vpc Handles VPC and networking setup.
- provider.tf Defines the AWS provider.
 main.tf Root Terraform script to call modules.
 outputs.tf Stores and displays useful deployment details.

♣ Prerequisites

- **AWS Account** Sign up at AWS if you don't have one.
- **Terraform** Install from Terraform's official site.
- **AWS CLI** Install and configure credentials (guide).
- **W kubectl** Kubernetes CLI tool (installation guide).
- **VS Code (Optional)** Recommended IDE for managing Terraform code.

Deployment Steps

1 Clone the Repository

```
git clone https://github.com/devops-practicals/eks-terraform
cd eks-terraform
```

2 Terraform Init, Plan, Apply

Run the following Terraform commands:

```
terraform init  # Initialize Terraform backend
terraform plan  # Preview infrastructure changes
terraform apply  # Deploy infrastructure
terraform destroy  # Destroy infrastructure
```

☆ Expected Outputs:

- EKS Cluster Name
- Node IP Addresses
- VPC ID

3 Connect to Your EKS Cluster

After deployment, retrieve cluster credentials:

```
AWS_REGION="ap-south-1"

EKS_CLUSTER_NAME="terraform-eks-test-cluster"

aws eks update-kubeconfig --name $EKS_CLUSTER_NAME --region $AWS_REGION
```

Verify cluster connectivity:

kubectl get nodes

4 Terraform S3 Backend Integration (Optional)

If you want to integrate with **S3 Backend**:

- 1 Update the **backends.tf** with bucket, key. 2 Create a new **Workspace** and connect your GitHub repository.
- 3 Add the following environment variables:

AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID
AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
AWS_DEFAULT_REGION
CONFIRM_DESTROY

5 Destroy the Infrastructure

To delete the deployed resources, run:

terraform destroy