DevOps Activity 1 – Part 3

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In this version of the document, we will continue from Activity 1 - Part 2. In this guide we will install the Amazon Web Services Command Line Tools (aws cli) so that we can automate creating a Lambda Function (a serverless concept) that will allow each member of the class to add variables which will be displayed when the Lambda function invoked.

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Overview

This document presumes you have followed DevOps Activity 1 - Part 2 guide and you have the following installed and configured correctly as instructed.

- Notepad++
- Git for Windows
- Oracle VM VirtualBox
- Hashicorp Vargrant
 - o A vagrant managed VM

Objective

In this guide, we will be creating a simple AWS Lambda function which is a serverless concept explained below.

What is AWS Lambda

AWS Lambda is a compute service that lets you run code without provisioning or managing servers. AWS Lambda executes your code only when needed and scales automatically, from a few requests per day to thousands per second. You pay only for the compute time you consume - there is no charge when your code is not running.

More information:

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/lambda/latest/dg/welcome.html

We will not be developing the Lambda function, we will edit an existing code template, then deploy it to AWS using Hashicorp Terraform which will manage the code deployment for us.

The essential resources used, are as follows:

- An existing Linux VM
 - Created and Managed by Vagrant using a VirtualBox provider
- An appropriate AWS User (ACCESS ID, and SECRET KEY ID)
- Git
- o The local repo
- Github
 - The Remote repo (master)
- awscli
 - o Command-line tools to call that allow scripting of AWS infrastructure and services.
- Code/Scripts
 - Provisioning Scripts
 - Infrastructure as Code

Installing AWS CLI on a Linux VM

Open a Git Bash terminal, and ensure that you in the correct location have started the Vagrant managed VM using vagrant up

```
cd ~/local-repos/devops-course-activity1
vagrant up
```

```
Steve Robinson@SurfaceLaptop MINGW64 ~/local-repos/devops-course-activity1 (master)
Bringing machine 'default' up with 'virtualbox' provider...
==> default: Checking if box 'ubuntu/xenial64' is up to date...
==> default: A newer version of the box 'ubuntu/xenial64' for provider 'virtualbox' is
==> default: available! You currently have version '20180410.0.0'. The latest is version
==> default: '20180413.0.0'. Run `vagrant box update` to update.
==> default: Clearing any previously set forwarded ports...
==> default: Clearing any previously set network interfaces...
==> default: Preparing network interfaces based on configuration...
    default: Adapter 1: nat
==> default: Forwarding ports...
default: 22 (guest) => 2222 (host) (adapter 1)
==> default: Running 'pre-boot' VM customizations...
==> default: Booting VM...
==> default: Waiting for machine to boot. This may take a few minutes...
    default: SSH address: 127.0.0.1:2222
    default: SSH username: vagrant
     default: SSH auth method: private key
=> default: Machine booted and ready!
==> default: Checking for guest additions in VM...
    default: The guest additions on this VM do not match the installed version of default: VirtualBox! In most cases this is fine, but in rare cases it can
    default: prevent things such as shared folders from working properly. If you see
    default: shared folder errors, please make sure the guest additions within the
     default: virtual machine match the version of VirtualBox you have installed on
    default: your host and reload your VM.
    default:
    default: Guest Additions Version: 5.1.34
    default: VirtualBox Version: 5.2
 => default: Mounting shared folders...
 default: /vagrant => C:/Users/Steve Robinson/local-repos/devops-course-activity1
=> default: Machine already provisioned. Run `vagrant provision` or use the `--provision`
 => default: flag to force provisioning. Provisioners marked to run always will still run.
```

Once started, connected to the VM using ssh

vagrant ssh

```
Steve Robinson@SurfaceLaptop MINGW64 ~/local-repos/devops-course-activity1 (master)
$ vagrant ssh
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-119-generic x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com

* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com

* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

Get cloud support with Ubuntu Advantage Cloud Guest:
    http://www.ubuntu.com/business/services/cloud

O packages can be updated.
O updates are security updates.

Last login: Fri Apr 13 18:54:59 2018 from 10.0.2.2

vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$
```

You are now logged in as the vagrant user, which as sudo rights. This will allow us to install the appropriate AWS Command Line Tools.

If we issue the command pwd, we will see we are in the vagrant user's home directory as seen below

```
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial: ~
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$ pwd
/home/vagrant
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$ |
```

We will first issue a command to clone the same Github repo which we used in Part 2, contains all the scripts required for this exercise.

Clone the Git Repo https://github.com/keepingbuildsgreen/devops-course-activity1 using the git clone command as shown below

```
sudo git clone https://github.com/keepingbuildsgreen/devops-course-
activity1.git
```

List the folders contents using ls -ltra as shown below which confirms that we have indeed cloned the repo locally.

Result:

All the script required for this part of the guide are in a folder called aws-cli-setup to get there we use the following command:

```
cd ~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-cli-setup
```

List the folders contents using the command below

```
ls -ltra
```

```
drwxr-xr-x 4 vagrant vagrant 4096 Apr 14 13:24 ..
-rwxrwxr-x 1 vagrant vagrant 751 Apr 14 14:05 install-awscli-pip3.sh
drwxrwxr-x 2 vagrant vagrant 4096 Apr 14 14:06 .
-rwxrwxr-x 1 vagrant vagrant 22 Apr 14 14:08 uninstall-awscli-pip3.sh
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-cli-setup$ |
```

Install AWS CLI

We are going to run the installer script which will do all the heavy lifting.

During the process many things will happen, then it will wait and prompt you for some localised settings.

For the AWS ACEESS KEY ID use the following (copy/paste)

AKIAJJ5NU64KDT2A5XTQ

For the AWS_SECRET_ACCES_KEY use the following (copy/paste)

EhxzVk9P9iJeopOJmoosCA7/QV1wKwF+m2Zm7V8U

Example running the custom awscli installer script

Run the following command:

```
sudo ./install-awscli-pip3.sh
```

Once the awscli has been installed, we can test it by running some commands.

For example:

To get help on awscli commands we can run the following:

```
aws lambda help
```

Result:

```
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial: ~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-cli-setup
NAME
           lambda -
DESCRIPTION
Overview
          This is the <u>AWS Lambda API Reference</u>. The AWS Lambda Developer Guide provides additional information. For the service overview, see <u>What is AWS Lambda</u>, and for information about how the service works, see <u>AWS Lambda: How it Works</u> in the AWS Lambda Developer Guide.
AVAILABLE COMMANDS
o add-permission
          o create-alias
          o create-event-source-mapping
           o create-function
           o delete-alias
           o delete-event-source-mapping
           o delete-function
           o delete-function-concurrency
           o get-account-settings
           o get-alias
           o get-event-source-mapping
           o get-function-configuration
```

Type q < enter > to exit the help screen.

Now run the following command:

```
aws lambda list-functions
```

Depending on how many Lambda function you have it will list them in json format and might look like...

```
{
    "Functions": [
            "Handler": "lambda-echo.handler",
            "TracingConfig": {
                "Mode": "PassThrough"
            "Timeout": 2,
            "Runtime": "nodejs6.10",
            "LastModified": "2018-04-16T23:30:03.282+0000",
            "MemorySize": 128,
            "FunctionName": "lambda-echo",
            "FunctionArn": "arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-
1:948957106729:function:lambda-echo",
            "Version": "$LATEST",
            "Role": "arn:aws:iam::948957106729:role/lambda-echo-role",
            "Description": "Echo Static String Responder",
            "CodeSize": 472,
            "Environment": {
                "Variables": {
                    "LAST NAME": "Robinson1",
                    "FIRST NAME": "Steve1"
            "CodeSha256": "226FctpGgvy6SoIouAofxkqMAgCZbEOSXmhCI5DKitE=",
            "RevisionId": "269a34bd-46d2-4dfe-84b0-c5c8b7114c35"
   ]
}
```

Now we are ready to deploy our Lambda function.

Deploying the Lambda function

navigate to the devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-lambda/func1 folder

List the contents:

ls -ltra

```
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial: ~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-lambda/func1

vagrant@ubuntu-xenial: ~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-lambda/func1$ ls -ltra

total 48

drwxr-xr-x 8 vagrant vagrant 4096 Apr 16 23:31 deploy.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 117 Apr 16 23:31 deploy.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 522 Apr 16 23:31 check-lambda.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 446 Apr 16 23:31 check-lambda.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 57 Apr 16 23:31 check-lam-role.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 215 Apr 16 23:31 test.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 215 Apr 16 23:31 test.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 582 Apr 16 23:31 lambda-echo.js
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 450 Apr 16 23:31 lambda-echo-execution-policy.json
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vagrant vagrant 246 Apr 16 23:31 lambda-echo-assume-role-policy.json
drwxrwxr-x 2 vagrant vagrant 68 Apr 16 23:31 test.txt
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~/devops-course-activity1/scripts/aws-lambda/func1$
```

We will now edit the variables.sh file.

Please figure out together by communicating with each other how to edit a file on Linux, and change the variables as asked in the variables file.

Once you have added the required information, please inform the instructor.

When it is Ok to do so as guided by the instructor, issue the following command to deploy the lambda function to the cloud.

PLEASE WAIT HERE, until given approval to run the command!

Run the deployment script as follows:

./deploy.sh

The Lambda function will be deployed.

Once deployed run the test.sh script to verify that it works.

Discussion

Discussion on what has just transpired, and what we built, and where it went. The instructor will review the code with the class, some key insights and will walk the class through the AWS Console, so we can see the Lambda Function in action live on the internet.