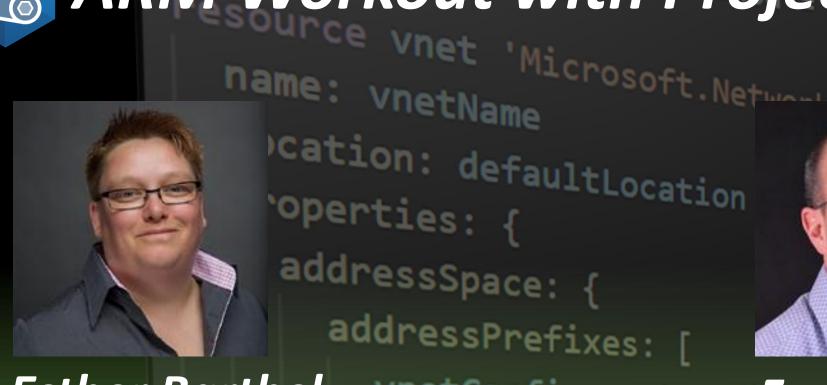


# ARM Workout with Project Bicep





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### Agenda



Azure Resource Manager & JSON

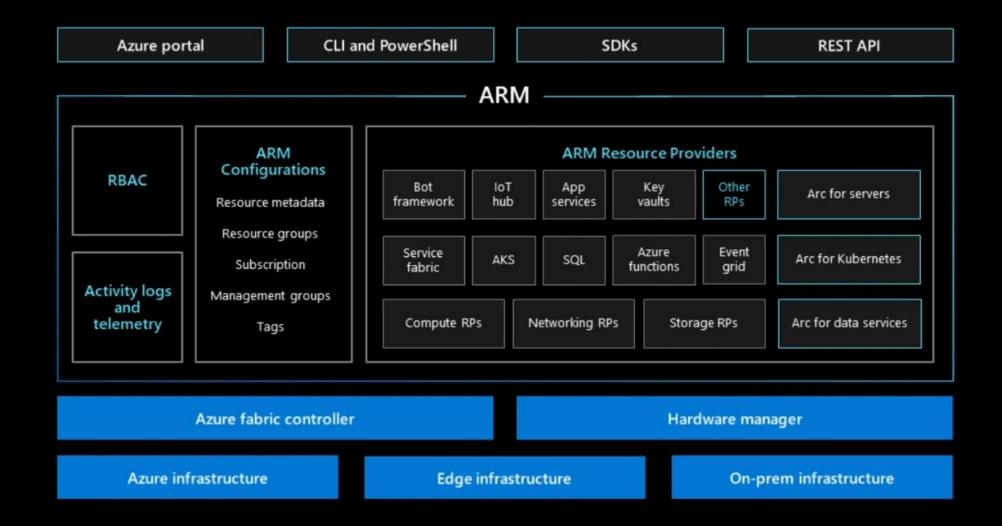
Project 'Bicep' architecture

Demos, demos, demos!

Bicep Roadmap & call to actions



### Azure Resource Manager





### How to get started with ARM & JSON

... structure of an Azure Resource Manager template.

The template consists of **JSON** and expressions that you can use to construct values for your deployment.



# ARM Template

### Template format

In its simplest structure, a template has the following elements:

```
JSON

{
    "$schema": "https://schema.management.azure.com/schemas/2019-04-01/deploymentTemplate.json#",
    "contentVersion": "",
    "apiProfile": "",
    "parameters": { },
    "variables": { },
    "functions": [ ],
    "resources": [ ],
    "outputs": { }
}
```



# **ARM Template**

```
"parameters": {
  "<parameter-name>" : {
   "type" : "<type-of-parameter-value>",
   "defaultValue": "<default-value-of-parameter>",
   "allowedValues": [ "<array-of-allowed-values>" ],
   "minValue": <minimum-value-for-int>,
   "maxValue": <maximum-value-for-int>,
   "minLength": <minimum-length-for-string-or-array>,
   "maxLength": <maximum-length-for-string-or-array-parameters>,
    "metadata": {
      "description"
                    "functions": [
                         "namespace": "<namespace-for-functions>",
                         "members": {
                           "<function-name>": {
                             "parameters":
                                 "name": "<parameter-name>",
                                 "type": "<type-of-parameter-value>"
```

"output": {

"type": "<type-of-output-value>",

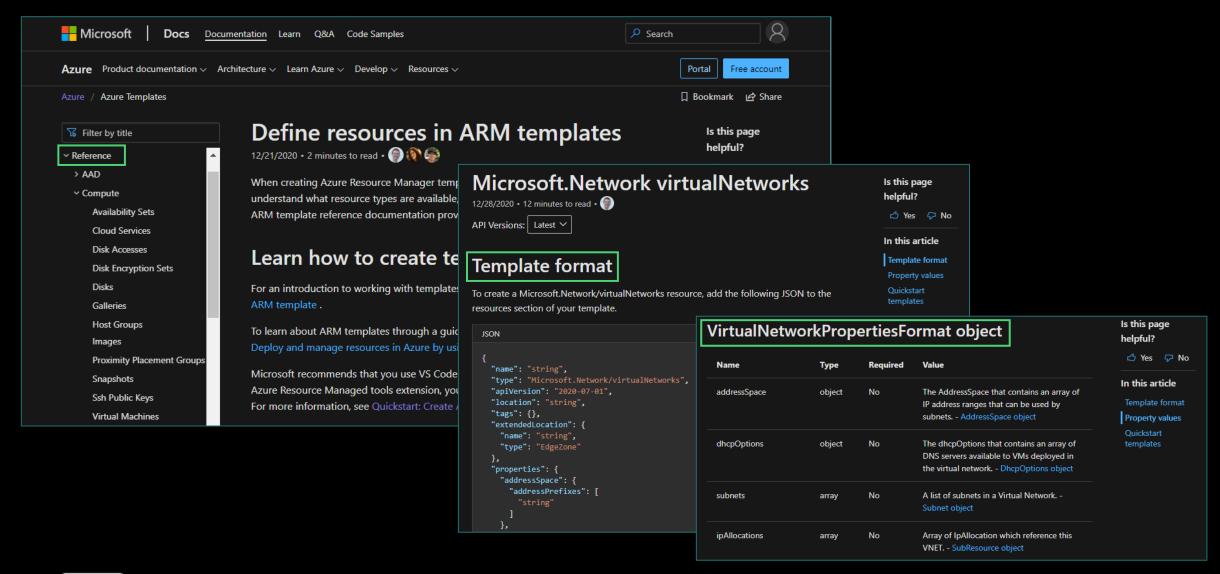
"value": "<function-return-value>"

```
"variables": {
 "<variable-name>": "<variable-value>",
 "<variable-name>": {
   <variable-complex-type-value>
 "<variable-object-name>": {
   "copy": [
       "name": "<name-of-array-property>",
       "count": <number-of-iterations>,
       "input": <object-or-value-to-repeat>
        me": "<variable-array-name>",
        unt": <number-of-iterations>,
        put": <object-or-value-to-repeat>
           "outputs": {
             "<output-name>": {
               "condition": "<boolean-value-whether-to-output-value>",
               "type": "<type-of-output-value>",
               "value": "<output-value-expression>",
               "copy": {
                  "count": <number-of-iterations>,
                  "input": <values-for-the-variable>
```

```
"resources": [
     "condition": "<true-to-deploy-this-resource>",
     "type": "<resource-provider-namespace/resource-type-name>",
     "apiVersion": "<api-version-of-resource>",
     "name": "<name-of-the-resource>".
     "comments": "<your-reference-notes>",
     "location": "<location-of-resource>".
     "dependsOn": [
         "<array-of-related-resource-names>"
      "tags": {
         "<tag-name1>": "<tag-value1>",
         "<tag-name2>": "<tag-value2>"
     "sku": {
         "name": "<sku-name>".
         "tier": "<sku-tier>",
         "size": "<sku-size>".
         "family": "<sku-family>",
         "capacity": <sku-capacity>
     "kind": "<type-of-resource>",
     "copy": {
         "name": "<name-of-copy-loop>",
         "count": <number-of-iterations>,
         "mode": "<serial-or-parallel>",
         "batchSize": <number-to-deploy-serially>
      "plan": {
         "name": "<plan-name>",
         "promotionCode": "<plan-promotion-code>",
         "publisher": "<plan-publisher>",
          "product": "<plan-product>",
```



# ARM Template – Reference Guide





### ARM Template learning path



https://bit.ly/3qZGNj1

**MODULE 1:** Deploy Azure infrastructure by using ARM templates

**MODULE 2:** Deploy to multiple Azure environments by using ARM template features

MODULE 3: Preview changes and validate Azure resources by using what-if and the ARM template test toolkit

**MODULE 4:** Automate the deployment of ARM templates by using GitHub Action

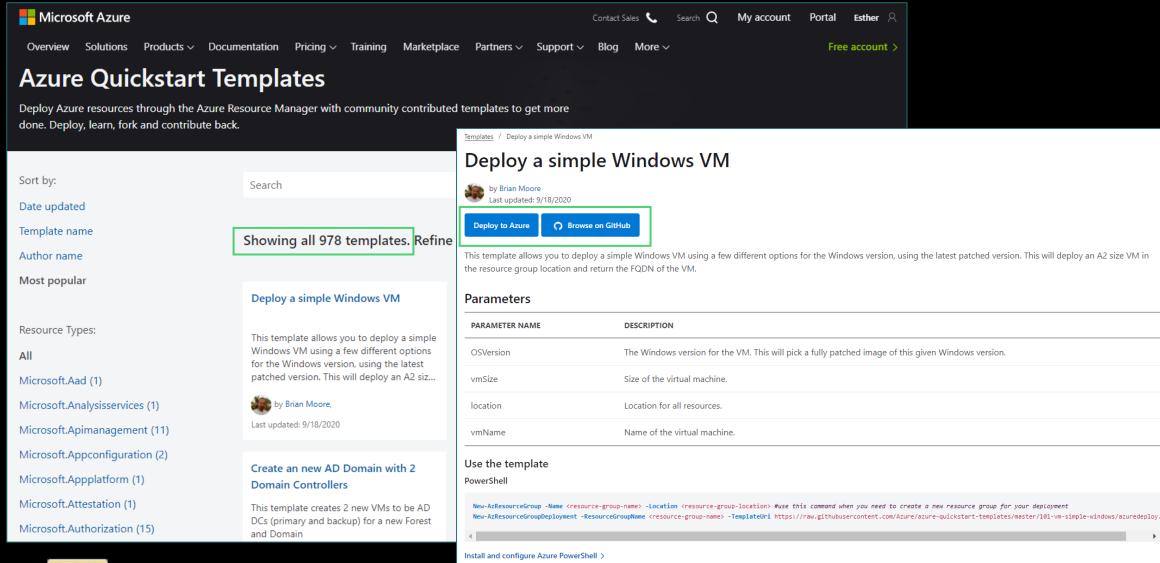
**MODULE 5:** Extend ARM templates by using deployment scripts

**MODULE 6:** Manage complex cloud deployments by using advanced ARM template features





# ARM Template – Azure Quickstart Templates





```
# ARM Template file
$jsonARMTemplateFile = ".\ARM-WVDNewHostpool.template.json"
$jsonARMParameterFile = ".\ARM-WVDNewHostpool.parameter.json"
# Create WVD Hostpool, based on ARM Template
New-AzResourceGroupDeployment -ResourceGroupName "rg-wvd-infra"
    -TemplateFile $jsonARMTemplateFile `
    -TemplateParameterFile $jsonARMParameterFile `
    -administratorAccountPassword $secureDomainAdminPassword
    -vmAdministratorAccountPassword $secureLocalAdminPassword
    -Verbose
```



Deployment failed. Click here for details

#### Your deployment failed

Deployment name: ARM-WVDN Subscription:
Resource group: rg-wvd-infra

∧ Deployment details (Download)

#### Resource

- vmCreation-linkedTemplate-
- ✓ AVSet-linkedTemplate-
- ✓ Workspace-linkedTemplate-
- ✓ wvd-hp-demo-DAG
- wvd-hp-demo

Deployment failed. Click here for details

#### Your deployment failed

Deployment name: vmCreation-linkedTemplate-Subscription:

Resource group: rg-wvd-resources

Deployment details (Download)

Start time: 1/27/2021, 5:37:38 PM

Correlation ID: d26c3483-452c-462e-8838-8ba39d8490be

	Operation details
wvd-sh-0-nic Microsoft.Network/networkl BadRequest	Operation details
wvd-sh-1-nic Microsoft.Network/networkl BadRequest	Operation details
✓ NSG-linkedTemplate Microsoft.Resources/deploy OK	Operation details



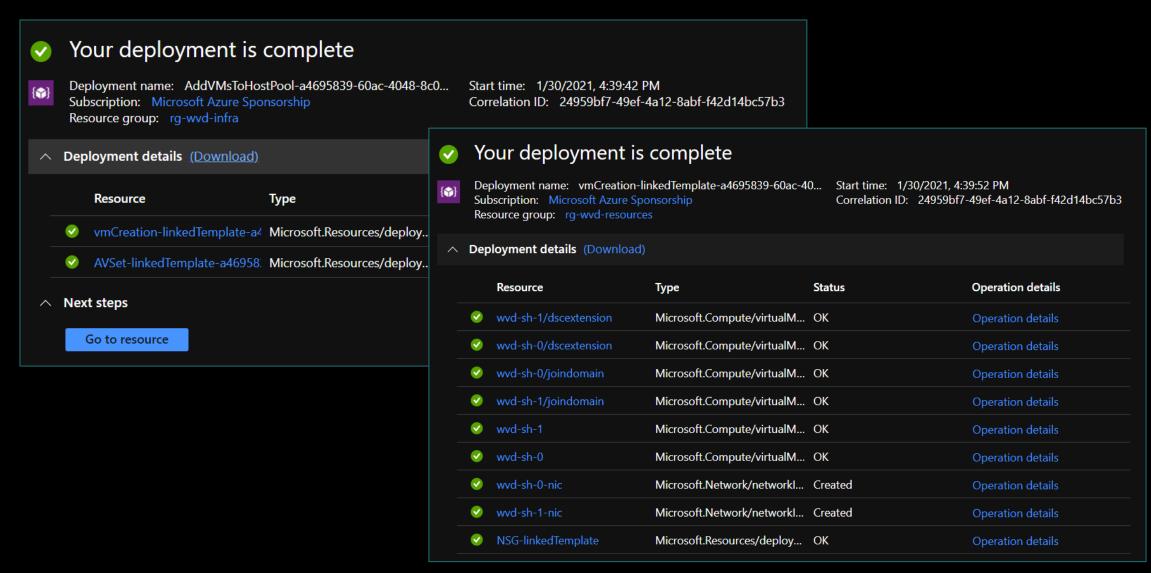
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"code": "DeploymentFailed",
  "message": "At least one resource deployment operation
failed. Please list deployment operations for details.
Please see https://aka.ms/DeployOperations for usage
details.",
  "details": [
      "code": "InvalidResourceReference",
      "message": "Resource /subscriptions/
                                    /resourceGroups/
rg-wvd-resources/providers/Microsoft.Network/
virtualNetworks/vnet-wvd-resource/subnets/default
referenced by resource /subscriptions/
                                    /resourceGroups/
rg-wvd-resources/providers/Microsoft.Network/
networkInterfaces/wvd-sh-0-nic was not found. Please make
sure that the referenced resource exists, and that both
resources are in the same region."
    },
```



```
"$schema": "https://schema.management.azure.com/schemas/2015-01-01/deploymentTemplate.json#",
                             "apiVersion": "2018-05-01",
           "parameters":
                             "name": "[concat('vmCreation-linkedTemplate-', parameters('deploymentId'))]",
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                             "resourceGroup": "[parameters('vmResourceGroup')]",
          "variables":
                             "dependsOn": [
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                                 "[concat('AVSet-linkedTemplate-', parameters('deploymentId'))]"
           "resources":
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                                      "uri": "[variables('vmTemplateUri')]",
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                  "value
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                   "type'
                                      "vmGallervImageSKU": {
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                                          "value": "[parameters('vmGalleryImageSKU')]"
530
```

- 531 lines of code
- complex JSON formatting
- advanced options:
  - nested templates
  - linked templates







# What is Project 'Bicep'?



"..Bicep is a Domain Specific Language (DSL) for deploying Azure resources declaratively. It aims to drastically simplify the authoring experience with a cleaner syntax and better support for modularity and code re-use. Bicep is a transparent abstraction over ARM and ARM templates.



# Project 'Bicep'

Simple declarative language to provision infrastructure to Azure.

#### Intuitive

Easy to read and to author

#### Transpiles to ARM Templates

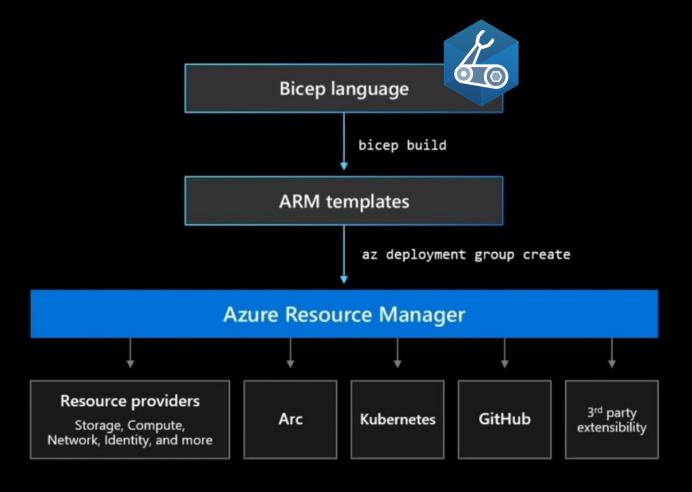
Leverage ARM template knowledge and investments

#### Modular

Abstract common blocks of code into reusable parts

#### **Open Source**

Transparency and community





### How to get started with 'Bicep'?

#### 1. Install the Bicep CLI (required)

```
# Create the install folder
$installPath = "$env:USERPROFILE\.bicep"
$installDir = New-Item -ItemType Directory -Path $installPath -Force
$installDir.Attributes += 'Hidden'
# Fetch the latest Bicep CLI binary
(New-Object Net.WebClient).DownloadFile("https://github.com/Azure/bicep/releases/latest/download/bicep-win-x64.exe", "$installPath\bicep.exe")
# Add bicep to your PATH
$currentPath = (Get-Item -path "HKCU:\Environment").GetValue('Path', '', 'DoNotExpandEnvironmentNames')
if (-not $currentPath.Contains("%USERPROFILE%\.bicep")) { setx PATH ($currentPath + ";%USERPROFILE%\.bicep") }
if (-not $env:path.Contains($installPath)) { $env:path += ";$installPath" }
# Verify you can now access the 'bicep' command.
bicep --help
# Done!
```

#### 2. Install the Bicep VS Code extension(optional)

```
# Fetch the latest Bicep VSCode extension
$vsixPath = "$env:TEMP\vscode-bicep.vsix"
(New-Object Net.WebClient).DownloadFile("https://github.com/Azure/bicep/releases/latest/download/vscode-bicep.vsix", $vsixPath)
# Install the extension
code --install-extension $vsixPath
# Clean up the file
Remove-Item $vsixPath
# Done!
```



# Demo





# Deploy local 'Bicep' files

Note: Currently, both Azure CLI and Azure PowerShell can only deploy local Bicep files.

Bicep CLI is needed locally to compile Bicep files to JSON templates before deployment.

Azure CLI v2.20.0+

Azure CLI

az deployment group create \
--name ExampleDeployment \
--resource-group ExampleGroup \
--template-file <path-to-template-or-bicep> \
--parameters storageAccountType=Standard\_GRS

PowerShell 5.6.0+

Azure PowerShell

New-AzResourceGroupDeployment \
-Name ExampleDeployment \
-ResourceGroupName ExampleGroup \
-TemplateFile <path-to-template-or-bicep> \
-storageAccountType Standard\_GRS

Note: with Azure CLI v2.20.0+ installed, the Bicep CLI is automatically installed when a command that depends on it is executed.

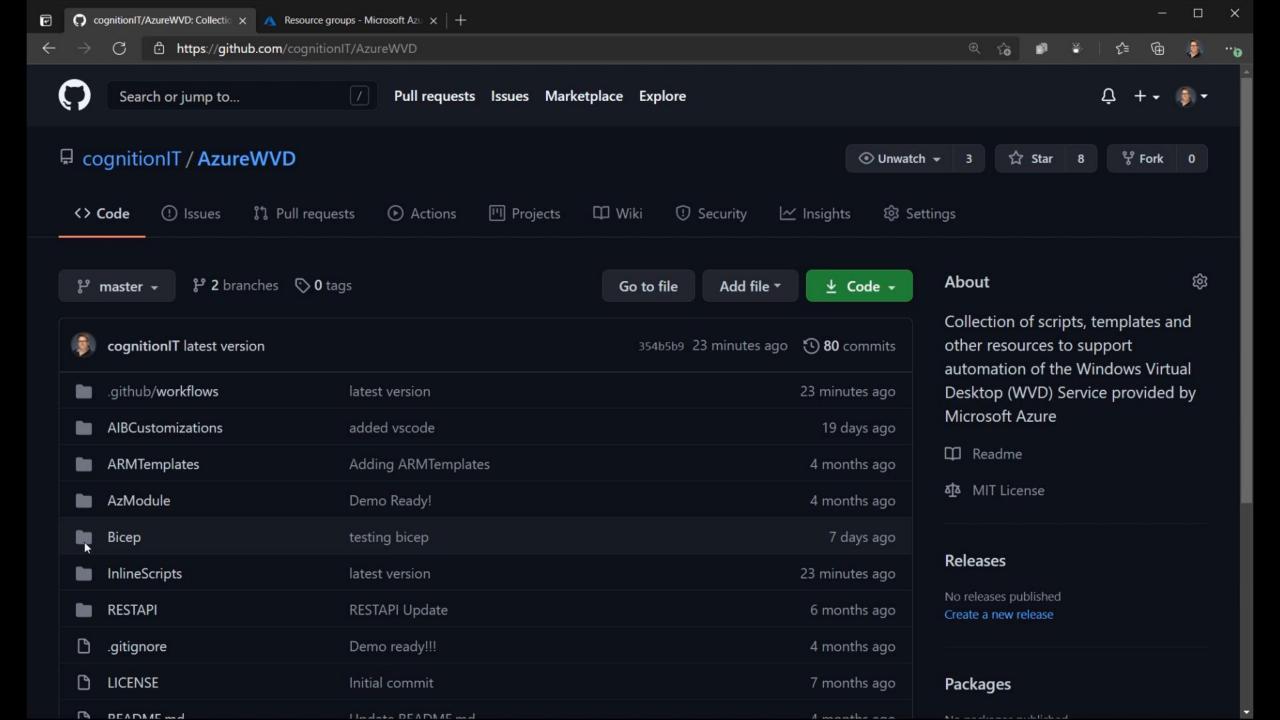
Note: Azure PowerShell does not have the capability to install the Bicep CLI yet. Azure PowerShell (v5.6.0+) expects that the Bicep CLI is already installed and available on the PATH.



# Demo – Putting Bicep into (GitHub) Action







### Tip: run Bicep on windows-latest agent

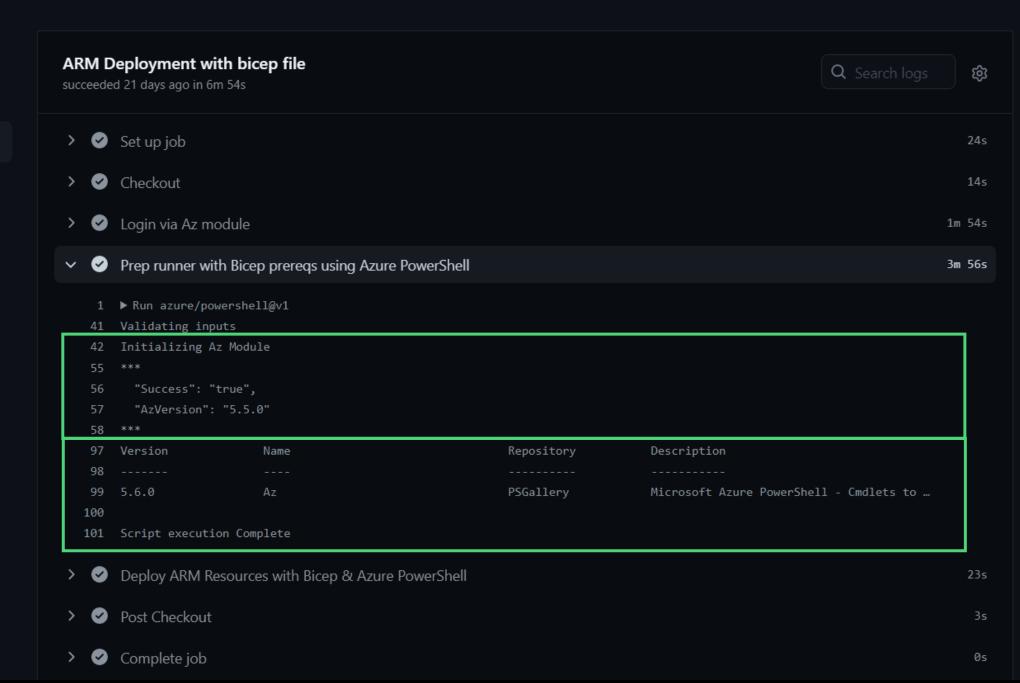
```
# Action = Azure PowerShell: Run inline script
# source: https://github.com/marketplace/actions/azure-powershell-action
- name: Install the min. version Az Module using Azure PowerShell
  uses: azure/powershell@v1
 with:
    inlineScript:
      ## Add Az PowerShell Module version 5.6.0 to the runner (if not already on the runner)
      $minAzModuleVersion = '5.6.0'
      if(!(Test-Path "C:\Modules\az $minAzModuleVersion")) {
        Install-Module -Name Az -AllowClobber -Scope CurrentUser -Force
        Save-Module -Path "C:\Modules\az $minAzModuleVersion" -Name Az -RequiredVersion $minAzModuleVersion -Force
      $env:PSModulePath = "C:\Modules\az $($minAzModuleVersion);$($env:PSModulePath)"
      # Check installed versions of Az Module
      Get-InstalledModule -Name Az -AllVersions | sort Version -Descending
    azPSVersion: 'latest'
```





Jobs

ARM Deployment with bicep file



# The curious case of the templateHash

# Bicep-generated files should include an autogenerated header #800



**snarkywolverine** opened this issue on Nov 3, 2020 · 2 comments

Discussed it at the team meeting today. The consensus appears to have template code generators use the top-level metadata property to store this information. This is the proposed schema:

```
"metadata": {
    "_generator": {
        "name": "<name of the code generator>",
        "version": "<version of the code generator>",
        "templateHash": "<template hash>"
    }
}
```

### ROADSH & W

#### Considerations:

- Discussed using a comment instead of a JSON property. We're not in favor of using meaningful comments due to their fragility and uneven support in JSON libraries across all the relevant platforms.
- Template hash logic should reuse the existing template hash calculation logic that we already have in ARM telemetry and exposed in the API at https://github.com/Azure/azure-rest-apispecs/blob/8cef8014762a839e98f0aeaa57a0bbdb8982d3d4/specificatio n/resources/resource-manager/Microsoft.Resources/stable/2020-10-01/resources.json#L4236
- Template hash calculation should run on the entire content of the template except for the metadata.\_generator.templateHash property.
   This is technically a breaking change in ARM, but impact should be extremely low.
- Also discussed adding a top-level multi-line comment with text similar to "This file is generated. Do not modify." This should be deferred until we fix bugs in line number handling in the runtime.

# Road map

Current release: CLI version 0.3.255





v0.2

(Oct '20)

- VSCodeIntellisense
- Support for modules



(March '21)

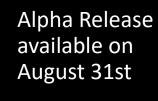
- Loops
- Conditionals
- Decompiler
- Production usage





- Module Registry

- Quality release
- Learn module Available
- Linter (TTK successor)
- Snippets & resource scaffolding Available\*
- Merging ARM Quickstarts & bicep
- IncludeFile() support



(aug '20)

v0.1



### And then...

### Announcing the preview of PSArm



Steve

March 31st, 2021

### **Announcing PSArm preview**

Today, we are pleased to announce the first preview of a new experimental module that make it easier than ever for PowerShell customers to create Azure Resource Manager (ARM) templates: PSArm.

This module enables users to author <u>ARM templates</u> using PowerShell. Similar to <u>Azure Bicep</u>, PSArm is an independent module that creates the necessary ARM JSON template to deploy and configure Azure infrastructure in a PowerShell context. PSArm allows PowerShell users who are familiar with ARM to write complex deployment templates by mixing the declarative syntax of ARM with the iterative syntax of PowerShell.





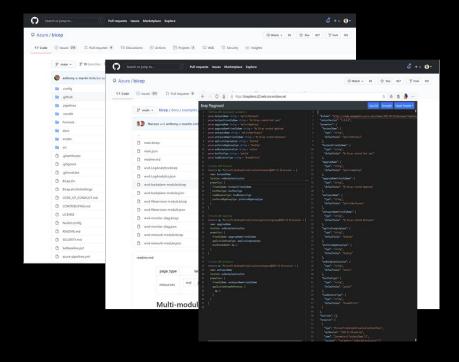
```
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PSArm > wvd-backplane.psarm.ps1
       Arm {
         param(
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $hostpoolFriendlyName = 'My Bicep created Host pool',
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $appgroupNameFriendlyName = 'My Bicep created AppGroup',
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $workspaceNameFriendlyName = 'My Bicep created Workspace',
           [ValidateSet('Desktop', 'RemoteApp')]
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $applicationgrouptype = 'Desktop',
           [ValidateSet('Desktop', 'RailApplications')]
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $preferredAppGroupType = 'Desktop',
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $wvdbackplanelocation = 'eastus',
           [ArmParameter[string]]
           $hostPoolType = 'pooled',
           [ArmParameter[string]]
          $loadBalancerType = 'BreadthFirst'
         Resource $hostpoolName -Namespace 'Microsoft.DesktopVirtualization' -Type 'hostPools' -ApiVersion '2019-12-10-preview' -Location $
           properties {
             friendlyName $hostpoolFriendlyName
             hostPoolType $hostPoolType
             loadBalancerType $loadBalancerType
             preferredAppGroupType $preferredAppGroupType
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```



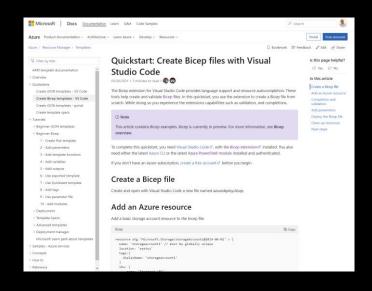
### Call to actions:

Install guides, tutorials, example code & playgrounds!

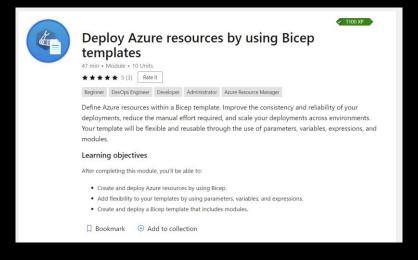
### aka.ms/bicep



### bit.ly/3ml2FnJ



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