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Problem	To build, change, destroy AWS/GCP/ Microsoft Azure/DigitalOcean infrastructure using terraform		
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Details	Terraform		
	Terraform is an infrastructure as code (IaC) tool that allows you to build, change, ar version infrastructure safely and efficiently. This includes low-level components such as compute instances, storage, and networking, as well as high-level components such as DNS entries, SaaS features, etc. Terraform can manage both existing service providers and custom in-house solutions.		

Key Features

Infrastructure as Code:

You describe your infrastructure using Terraform's high-level configuration language in human-readable, declarative configuration files. This allows you to create a blueprint that you can version, share, and reuse.

Resource Graph

Terraform builds a resource graph and creates or modifies non-dependent resources in parallel. This allows Terraform to build resources as efficiently as possible and gives you greater insight into your infrastructure.

Change Automation

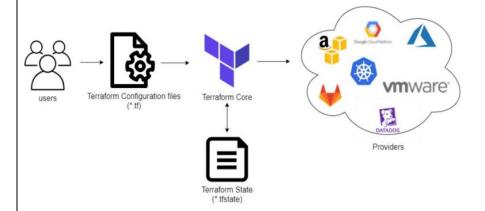
Terraform can apply complex changesets to your infrastructure with minimal human interaction. When you update configuration files, Terraform determines what changed and creates incremental execution plans that respect dependencies.

How does Terraform work?

Terraform works with two major components:

one is the **terraform core**: it takes the terraform configuration which is being provided by the user and then takes the terraform state which is managed by terraform itself. As such, this gets fed into the core that is responsible for figuring out what is that graph of our different resources for example how these different pieces relate to each other or what needs to be created/updated/destroyed, it does all the essential lifecycle management.

On the backside, terraform supports many different **providers**, such as: cloud providers (AWS,GCP,AZURE) and they also could be on-premise infrastructure (VMware, OpenStack.) But this support is not restricted or limited only to Infrastructure As A Service, terraform can also manage higher level like Platform As A Service(Kubernetes, Lambdas...) or even Software As A Service (DataDog, GitHub...)



All of these are important pieces of the infrastructure, they are all part of the logical end-to-end delivery.

Terraform has over a hundred providers for different technologies, and each provider gives terraform users access to their resources. It also gives you the ability to create infrastructure at different levels.

Terraform Workflow:

These are the list of steps we are going to perform

- 1. Create a file and save it as main.tf
- 2. Execute the command terraform init to initialize
- 3. Execute the command **terraform plan** to check what change would be made. (Should always do it)
- 4. If you are happy with the changes it is claiming to make, then execute **terraform apply** to commit and start the build

Code **Pre-requisite:** An AMI of ubuntu 20 system with terraform installed.

Steps to build, change, destroy AWS infrastructure using Terraform

Step: 1 : To BUILD an AWS infrastructure

1.1 Write your main.tf file

Use command to create a file and edit it

touch main.tf

Edit to following contents

```
provider "aws"{
            access_key = "AKIAQFSXWMIZOST6QORJ"
            secret_key = "syhFWSz0ZhvGo1u1wksRCwI7vSPOvxcFOeHebruw"
            region = "us-east-1"
}

resource "aws_instance" "terraform-VIT"{
            ami = "ami-0149b2da6ceec4bb0"
            instance_type = "t2.micro"
}
```

Replace the access key and secret key values of the new IAM user which needs to be created in the region mentioned. Also replace the ami value to the virtual system's ami value [From launch instances portal]

1.2 Initialize the terraform

Write the command

terraform init

```
Initializing the backend...

Initializing provider plugins...

- Finding latest version of hashicorp/aws...

- Installing hashicorp/aws v4.32.0...

- Installed hashicorp/aws v4.32.0 (signed by HashiCorp)

Terraform has created a lock file .terraform.lock.hcl to record the provider selections it made above. Include this file in your version control repository so that Terraform can guarantee to make the same selections by default when you run "terraform init" in the future.

Terraform has been successfully initialized!
```

1.3 Execute plan phase to understand what changes to be done.

terraform plan -lock=false

1.4 Apply the actions which were planned in apply phase

terraform apply -lock=false

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ot@ip-172-31-28-218:/opt# terraform apply -lock=false
erraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
Perraform will perform the following actions:
Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.
Do you want to perform these actions?
 Terraform will perform the actions described above.
 Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.
 Enter a value: yes
aws instance.terraform-VIT: Creating...
aws_instance.terraform-VIT: Still creating... [10s elapsed]
aws_instance.terraform-VIT: Still creating... [20s elapsed]
aws_instance.terraform-VIT: Still creating... [30s elapsed]
aws_instance.terraform-VIT: Creation complete after 32s [id=i-03923bfb2b2400f99]
Apply complete! Resources: 1 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
Type 'yes' to confirm to apply.
```

Step 2: Confirm the infrastructure created

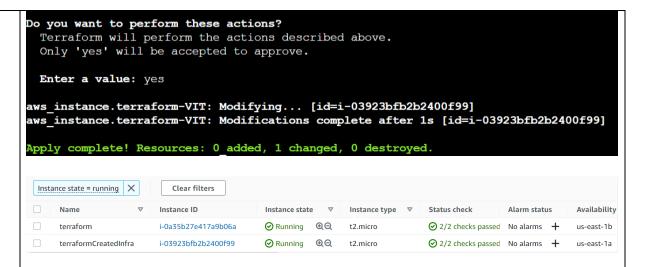
Go to EC2 console to check if a new instance is created as per the code written in main.tf file.



Step 3: CHANGE the infrastructure created using terraform

Modify main.tf to include instance name.

Repeat steps from 1.2.



Resource successfully changed to include instance name.

Step 4: DESTROY the built infrastructure

terraform destroy

