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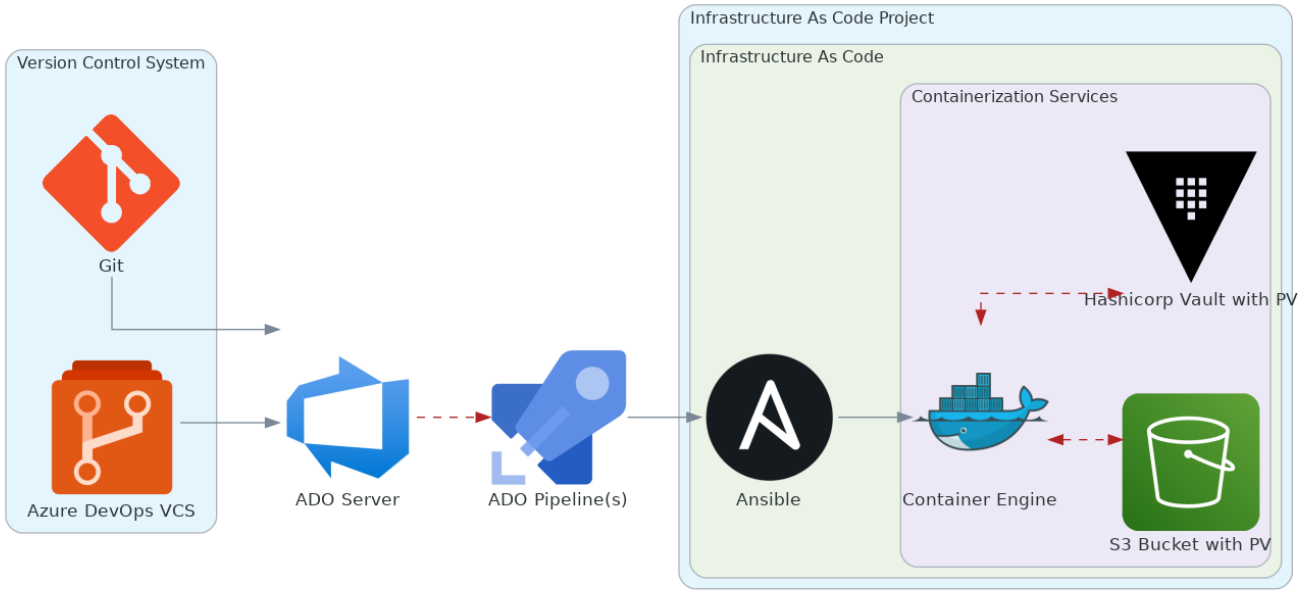

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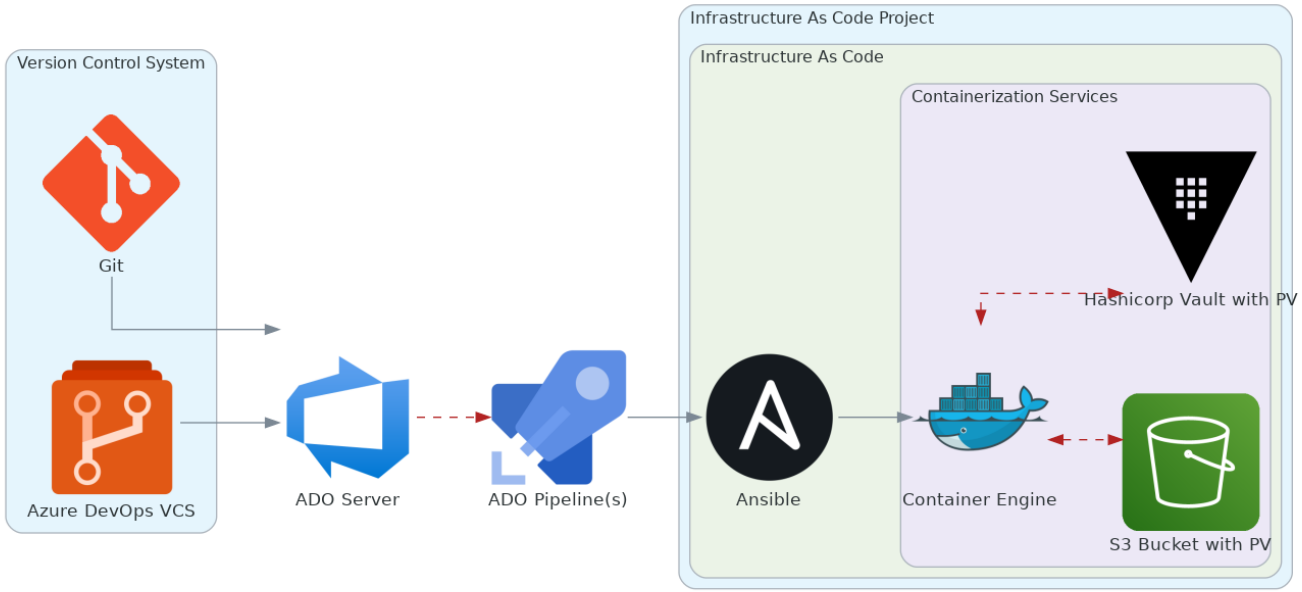

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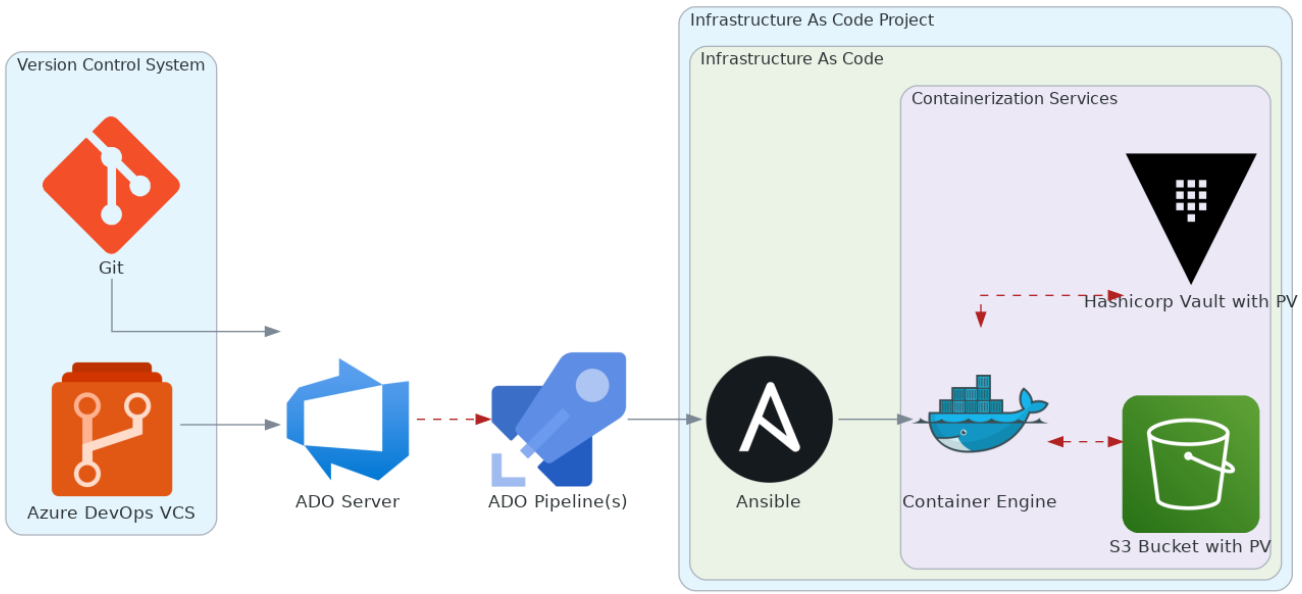

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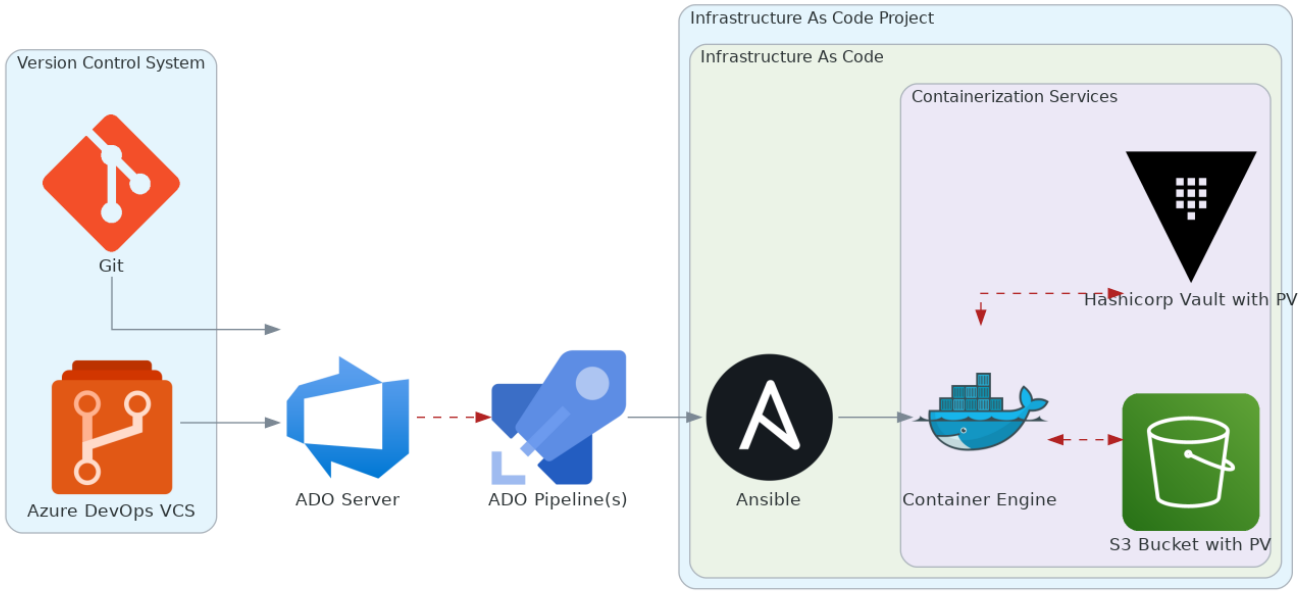

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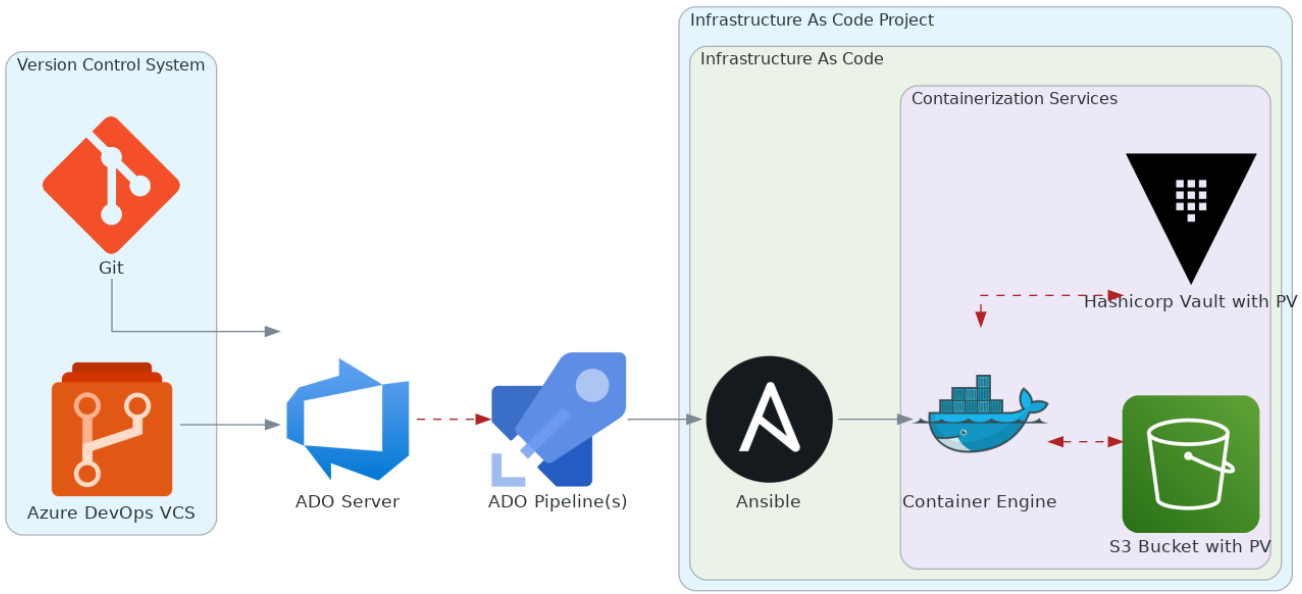
- Hashicorp Vault (storing sensitive data)



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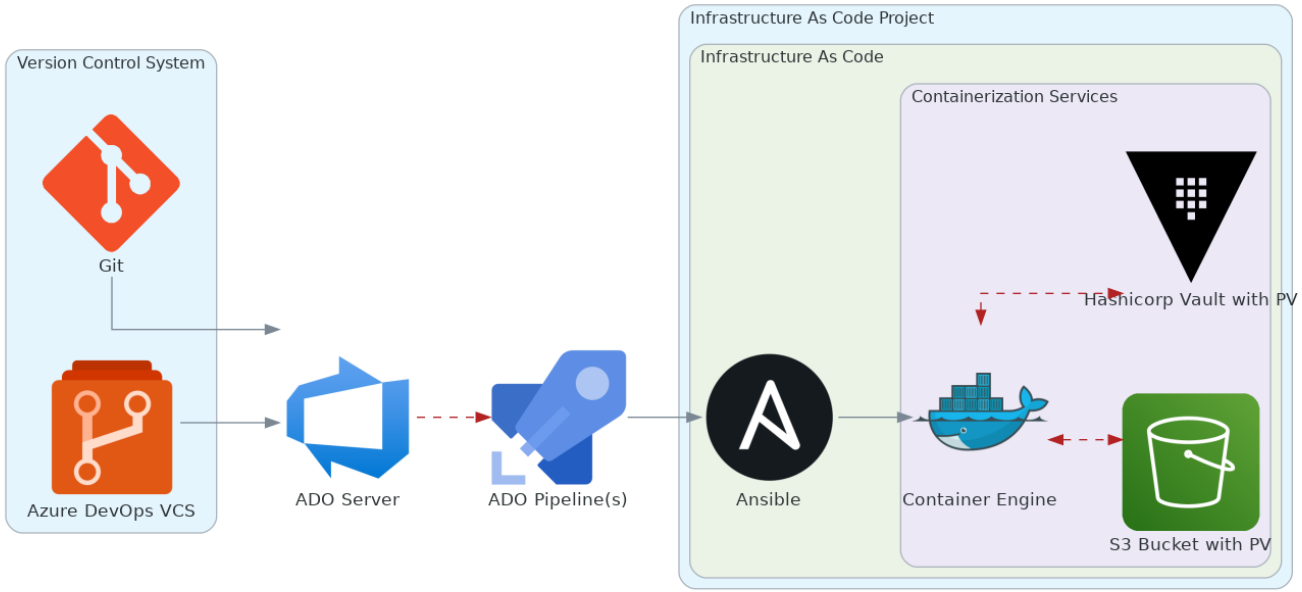

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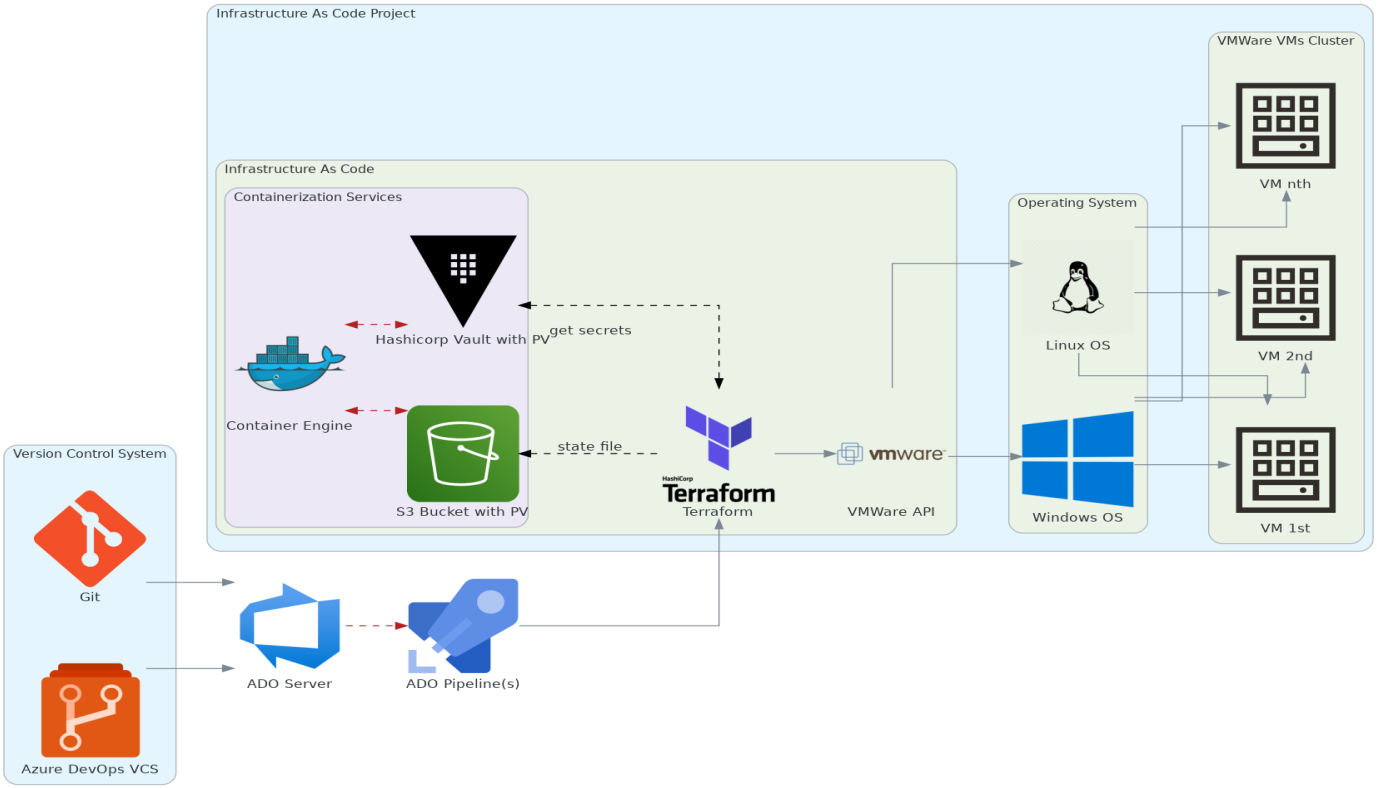

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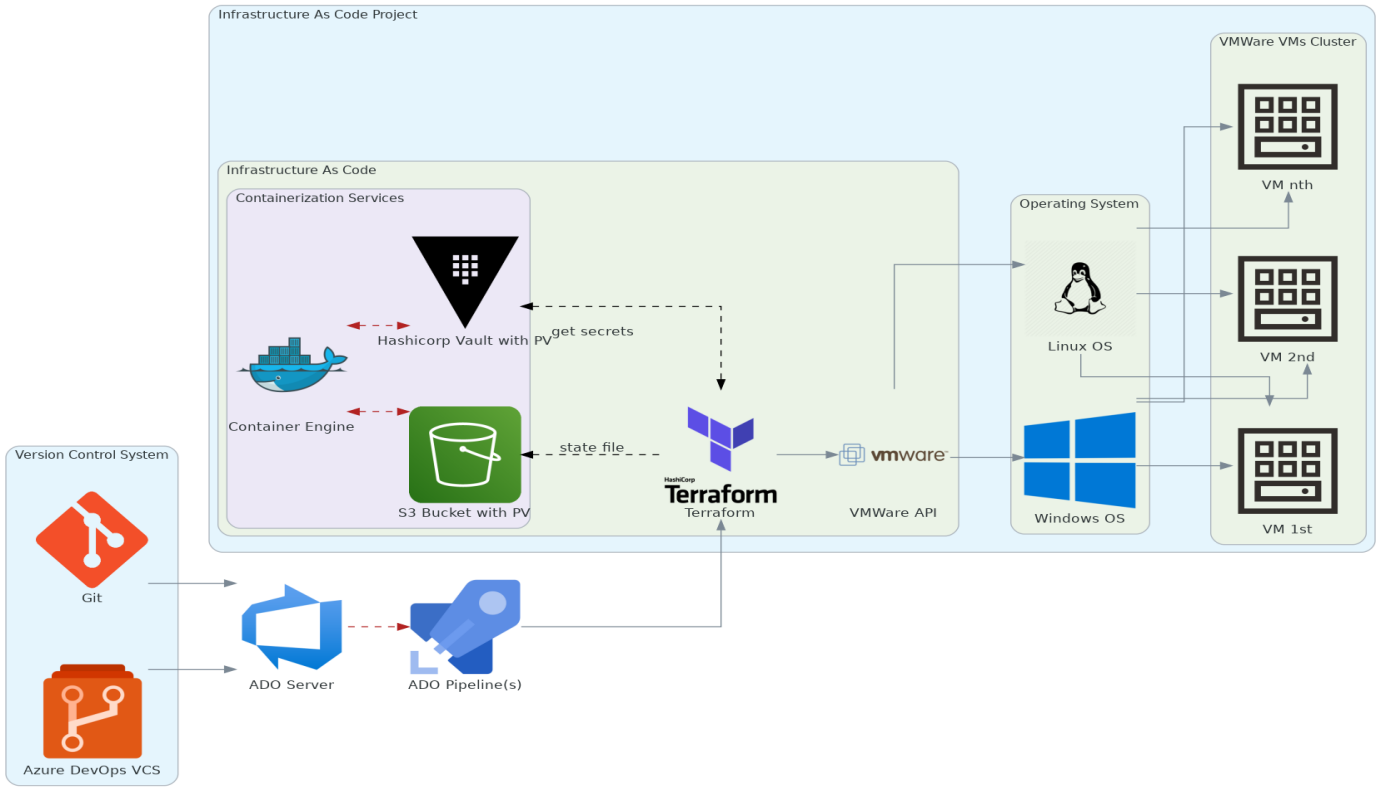

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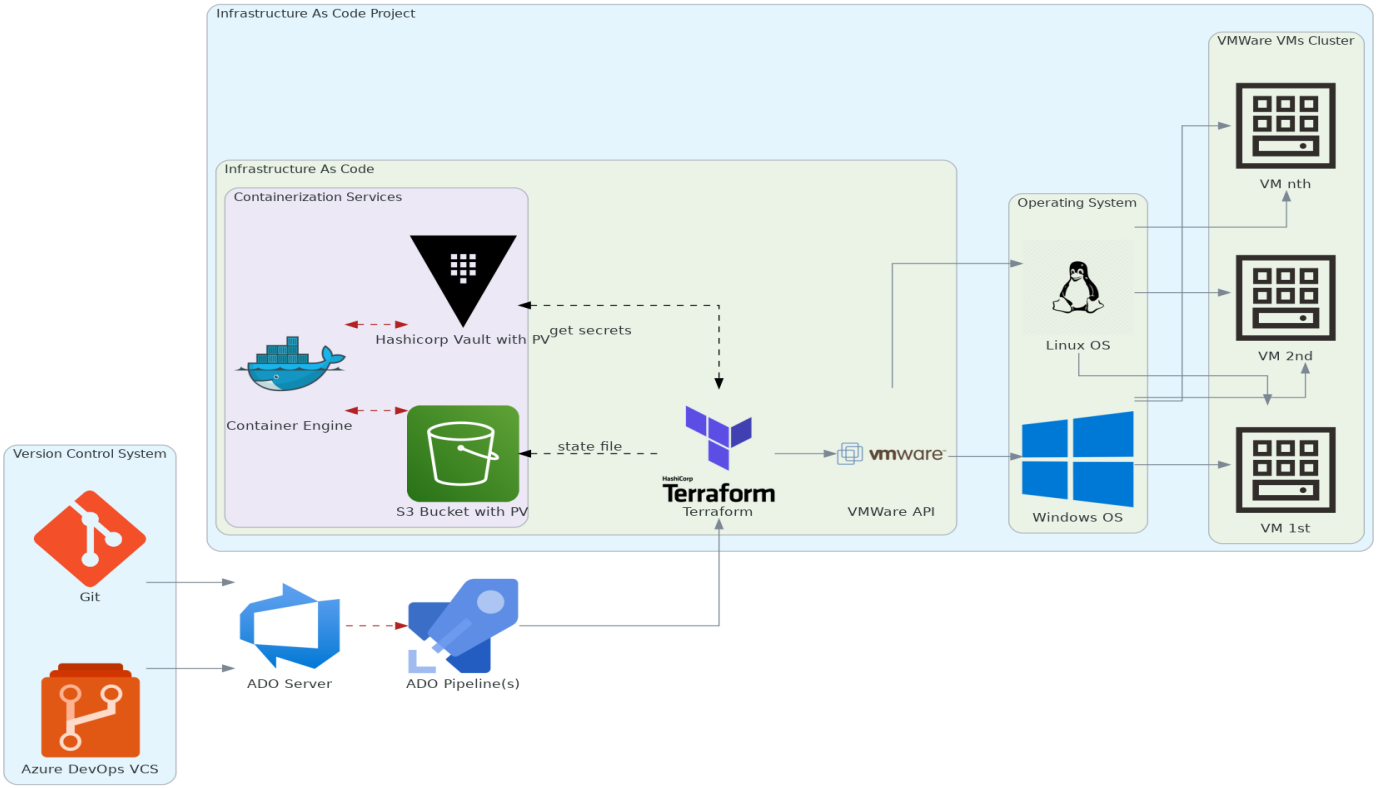
- Bash / Ansible (triggering terraform)



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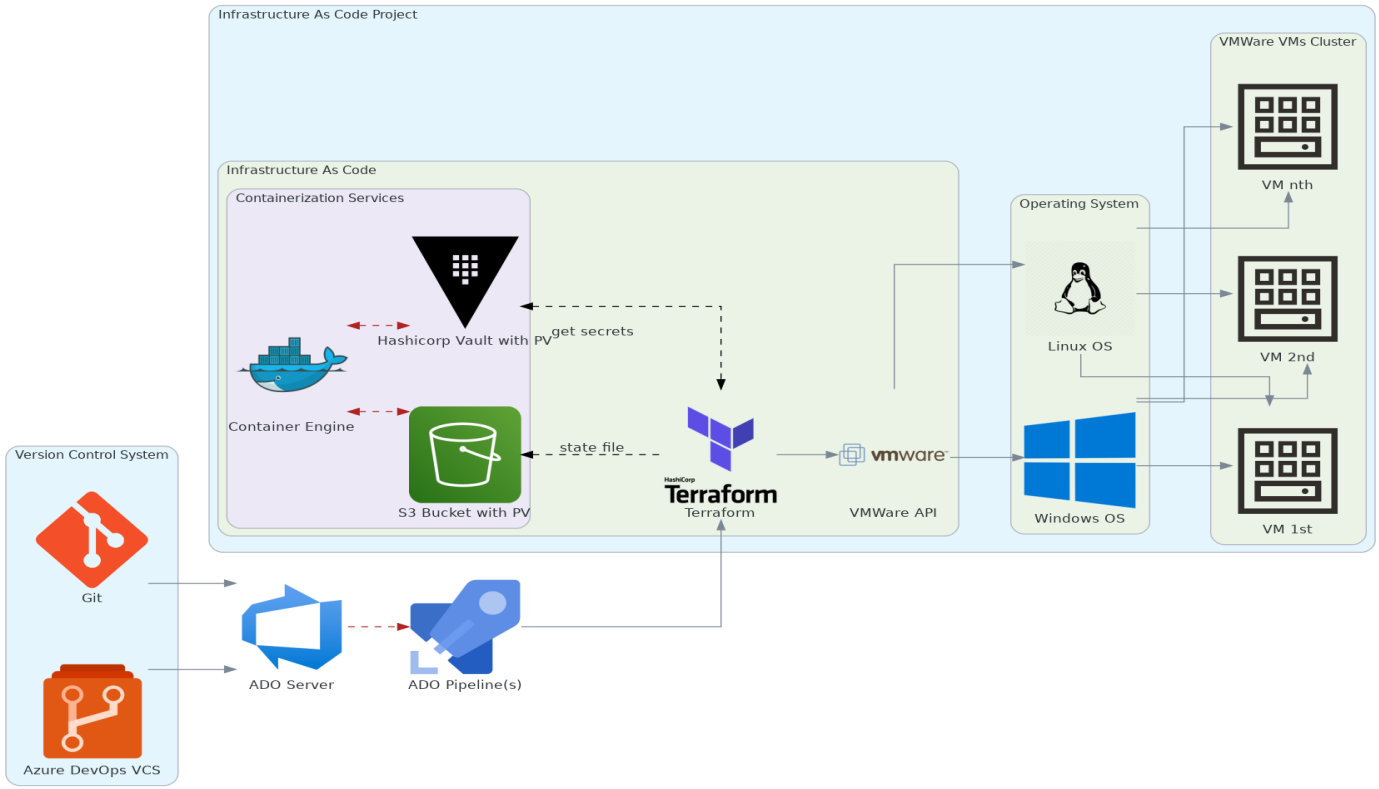
- Terraform (create VMs with custom configurations)



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- VMware (provisioning VMware to create n number of VMs)