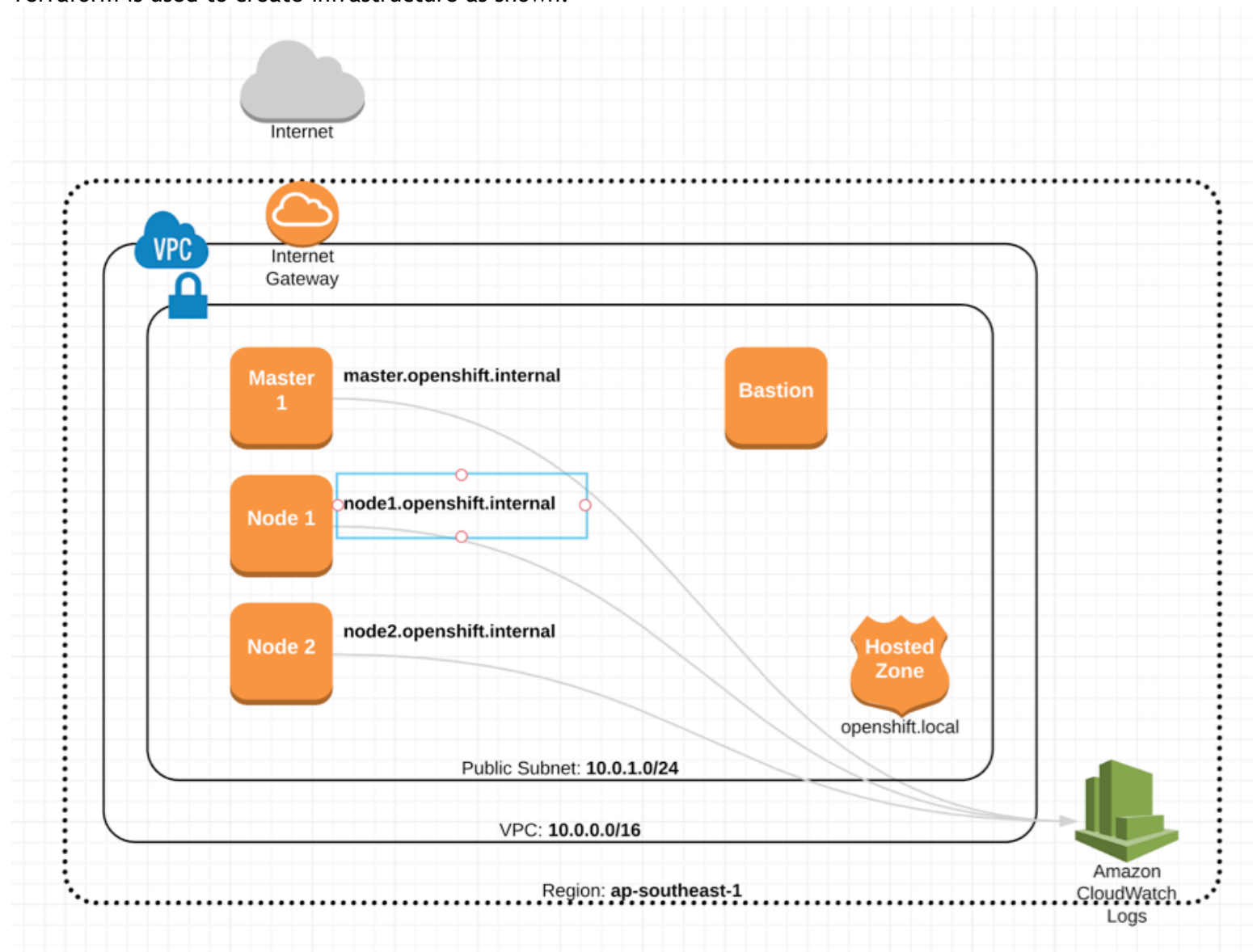


OpenShift on AWS using Terraform

This project shows you how to set up OpenShift Origin on AWS using Terraform. This is the companion project to my article [Creating a Resilient Consul Cluster for Docker Microservice Discovery with Terraform and AWS].

Overview

Terraform is used to create infrastructure as shown:



Once the infrastructure is set up an inventory of the system is dynamically created, which is used to install the OpenShift Origin platform on the hosts.

Prerequisites

You need:

1. Terraform - brew update && brew install terraform
2. An AWS account, configured with the cli locally - brew install awscli && aws configure

Creating the Cluster

Create the infrastructure first:

```
# Get the modules, create the infrastructure.
```

```
terraform get && terraform apply
```

You will be asked for a region to deploy in, use us-east-1 or your preferred region. You can configure the nuances of how the cluster is created in the main.tf file. Once created, you will see a message like:

```
$ terraform apply
```

```
var.region
```

```
Region to deploy the cluster into
```

```
Enter a value: ap-southeast-1
```

```
...
```

```
Apply complete! Resources: 20 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
```

That's it! The infrastructure is ready and you can install OpenShift. Leave about five minutes for everything to start up fully.

Installing OpenShift

Make sure you have your local identity added:

```
$ ssh-add ~/.ssh/id_rsa
```

Then create the inventory, copy it to the bastion and run the install script:

```
# Create our inventory from the template and terraform output.
```

```
sed "s/\${aws_instance.master.public_ip}/${terraform output master-public_ip}/" inventory.template.cfg > inventory.cfg
```

```
# Copy the inventory to the bastion.
```

```
scp ./inventory.cfg ec2-user@$(terraform output bastion-public_dns):~
```

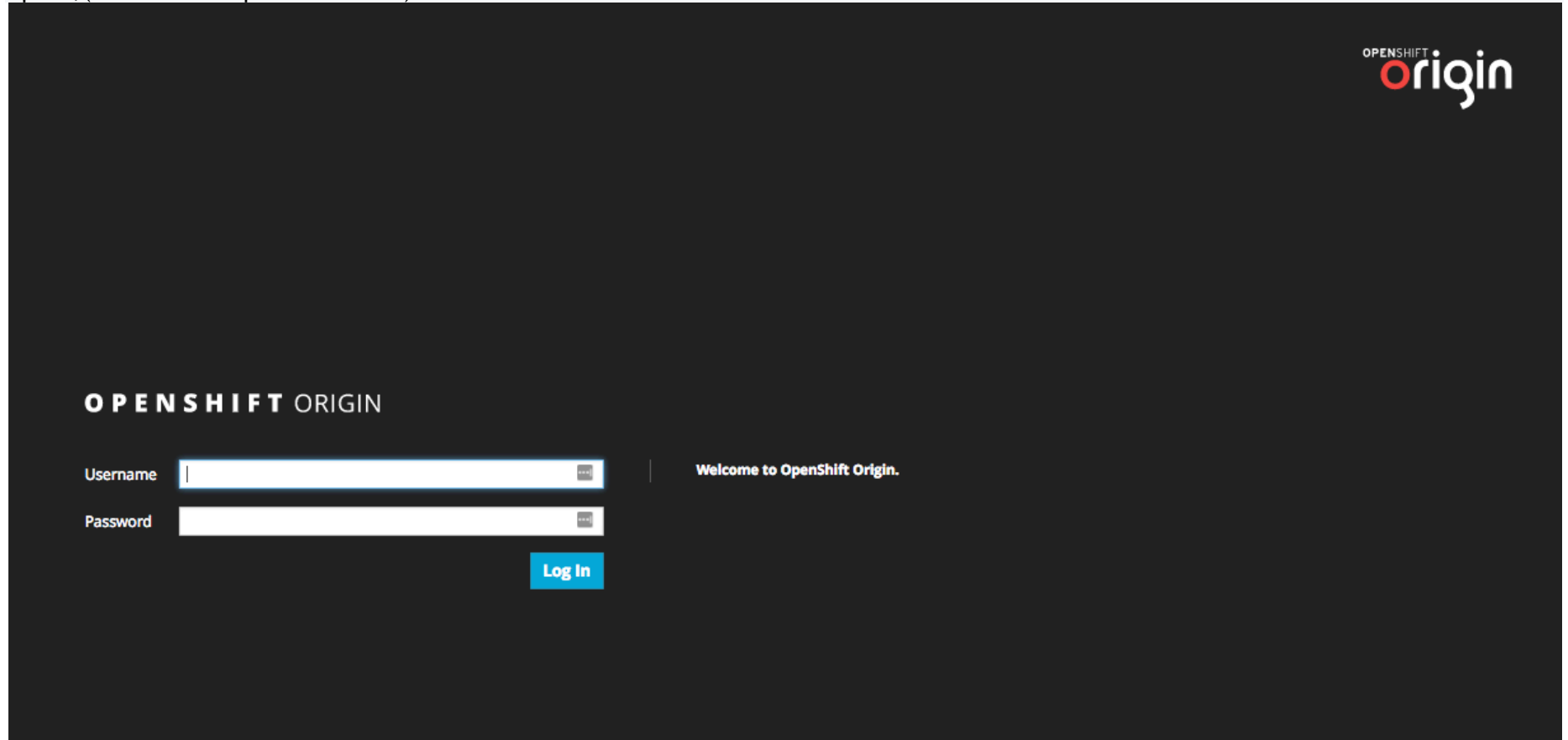
```
# Run the installer on the bastion.
```

```
cat install-from-bastion.sh | ssh -A ec2-user@$(terraform output bastion-public_dns)
```

If the last line fails with an ansible not found error, just run it again. It will take about 10-15 minutes.

Open it by hitting port 8443 of the master node. Any username and password will work:

```
open $(terraform output master-url)
```



Additional Configuration

The easiest way to configure is to change the settings in the `./inventory.template.cfg` file, based on settings in the OpenShift Origin - Advanced Installation guide.

Access the master or nodes to update configuration and add feature as needed:

```
$ oc login $(terraform output master-url)
```

```
$ oc get nodes
```

NAME	STATUS	AGE
master.openshift.local	Ready	1h
node1.openshift.local	Ready	1h
node2.openshift.local	Ready	1h

If you don't want to install the OpenShift client locally, you can access the hosts directly via the bastion:

```
$ ssh -A ec2-user@$(terraform output bastion-public_dns)
```

```
$ ssh master.openshift.local
```

```
$ sudo su && oc get nodes
```

NAME	STATUS	AGE
master.openshift.local	Ready	1h
node1.openshift.local	Ready	1h
node2.openshift.local	Ready	1h

Destroying the Cluster

Bring everything down with:

```
terraform destroy
```

Pricing

You'll be paying for:

- 3 x t2.large instances

Troubleshooting

Image pull back off, Failed to pull image, unsupported schema version 2

Ugh, stupid OpenShift docker version vs registry version issue. There's a workaround. First, ssh onto the master:

```
$ ssh -A ec2-user@$(terraform output bastion-public_dns)
```

```
$ ssh master.openshift.local
```

Now elevate privileges, enable v2 of the registry schema and restart:

```
sudo su
oc set env dc/docker-registry -n default REGISTRY_MIDDLEWARE_REPOSITORY_OPENSHIFT_ACCEPTSCHEMA2=true
systemctl restart origin-master.service
```

References

- <https://www.udemy.com/openshift-enterprise-installation-and-configuration> - The basic structure of the network is based on this course.
- <https://blog.openshift.com/openshift-container-platform-reference-architecture-implementation-guides/> - Detailed guide on high available solutions, including production grade AWS setup.
- <https://access.redhat.com/sites/default/files/attachments/ocp-on-gce-3.pdf> - Some useful info on using the bastion for installation.
- <http://dustymabe.com/2016/12/07/installing-an-openshift-origin-cluster-on-fedora-25-atomic-host-part-1/> - Great guide on cluster setup.