

Module Checklist Infrastructure as Code with Terraform

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Git Project	https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn

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Introduction to Terraform

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Install Terraform & Local Setup

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- Demo executed Install Terraform:
 - Terraform installed
 - "terraform" project created



- Guide to install Terraform for different OS:
 https://learn.hashicorp.com/tutorials/terraform/install-cli
 https://www.terraform.io/downloads.html
- Visual Studio Code Installation: https://code.visualstudio.com/download

Providers

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- Demo executed:
 - Use AWS Provider

Useful Links:

- Browse Terraform Providers: https://registry.terraform.io/browse/providers
- Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master



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Resources and Data Sources

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- Demo executed
 - Created new VPC
 - Created Subnet in that new VPC
 - ☐ Created new Subnet in existing default VPC (with data)

Useful Links:

• Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

Change and destroy resources

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- Demo executed:
 - added tags to existing resources
 - removed tag
 - destroyed a resource

Useful Links:

Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

More terraform commands

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- Demo executed :
 - Executed preview command
 - ☐ Applied config file without preview
 - Destroyed complete infrastructure

Useful Links:

Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

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Terraform State

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- Demo executed

Useful Links:

Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master



Terraform Output

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- **□** Demo executed define output values

Useful Links:

• Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

Variables

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- Demo executed:
 - Passed variables in 3 different ways
 - ☐ Restricted value of variable by defining a type

Useful Links:

- Everything about Input Variables:
 https://www.terraform.io/docs/configuration/variables.html
- Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

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Environment variables

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- Demo executed:
 - Used environment variables to extract AWS credentials
 - ☐ Set variable using *TF_VAR_name* environment variable

Useful Links:

- Custom Environment variables:
 https://www.terraform.io/docs/commands/environment-variables.html
- Project: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/master

Initialize Git Repository

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- □ Demo executed:
 - Created Remote Git Repository for Terraform Configuration Files
 - Connected remote Git Repository with local project
 - Added .gitignore files

Best Practices so far:

- **Security:** Don't include sensitive data in the Terraform configuration file! Because it will be checked in in your git repository.
- Use terraform apply with the configuration file to make infrastructure changes, instead of executing commands directly. Especially when you work in a team.
 Because otherwise, infrastructure's current state and the desired state represented in the configuration file do not correspond anymore!

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Terraform & AWS

Demo Project 1: Automate AWS Infrastructure (Part 1, 2 + 3)

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- Demo executed:
 - Created VPC & Subnet
 - Created custom Route Table
 - ☐ Added Subnet Association with Route Table
 - Configured Default/Main Route Table
 - Created Security Group
 - Configured Default Security Group
 - ☐ Created EC2 Instance (Fetch AMI, Create ssh key-pair and download .pem file and restrict permission)
 - □ SSH into EC2 instance
 - Configured ssh key pair in Terraform config file
 - Created EC2 Instance
 - Fetch AMI
 - Create ssh key-pair and download .pem file
 - restrict permission
 - SSH into EC2 instance
 - ☐ Automated ssh key-pair configured ssh key pair in Terraform config file
 - ☐ Configured Terraform to install Docker and run nginx image
 - Extract shell commands to own shell script
 - ☐ Accessed nginx through Browser

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Demo Project 1: Automate AWS Infrastructure (Part 1, 2 + 3)

Useful Links:

- Project Repo Provision EC2 with new components:
 https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/feature/deploy-to-ec2
- Project Repo Provision EC2 with default components:
 https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/feature/deploy-to-ec2-default-components
- EC2 Instance Resource:
 https://registry.terraform.io/providers/hashicorp/aws/latest/docs/resources/instance
- Data Sources Filtering:
 https://registry.terraform.io/providers/hashicorp/oci/latest/docs/guides/filters
- Generate a new ssh key: https://www.ssh.com/ssh/keygen/

Best Practices:

- With Terraform: Create own VPC and leave the defaults created by AWS as is
- **Security**: Store your .pem file ssh private key in .ssh folder. Restrict permission (only read for our User) on .pem file
- **Security**: Don't hardcode public_key in Terraform config file!

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Provisioners

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- Demo executed:
 - Used "remote-exec" provisioner
 - ☐ Used "file" provisioner
 - ☐ Used "local-exec" provisioner



Useful Links:

Project Repo:
 https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/feature/provisioners

Best Practices:

Use configuration management tools instead of Terraform provisioners

Modules (Part 1, 2, 3)

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- Demo executed:
 - Extracted output values, variables and providers into its own file
 - Created subnet module and used it in root config file
 - ☐ Created webserver module and used it in root config file
 - Executed terraform apply successfully

Useful Links:

- Module Creation Recommended Pattern:
 https://learn.hashicorp.com/tutorials/terraform/pattern-module-creation?in=terraform/modules
- Project Repo: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/feature/modules

Best Practices:

- Terraform Project Structure: Own .tf file for providers, variables, data sources and output values
- Modules: encapsulate configuration into distinct logical components

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Terraform & AWS EKS

Demo Project 2: Terraform & AWS EKS (Part 1, 2 & 3)

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- Demo executed:
 - ☐ Created the VPC by using the VPC module
 - ☐ Created the EKS cluster and worker nodes by using the EKS module

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- Configured Kubernetes provider to authenticate with K8s cluster
- Applied configurations
- Deployed nginx Application/Pod
- Terraform destroy (IMPORTANT: delete all your components, if you don't want to get charged for a running cluster!)

Useful Links:

- Project Repo: https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/terraform-learn/-/tree/feature/eks
- VPC Module:
 - https://registry.terraform.io/modules/terraform-aws-modules/vpc/aws/latest
- EKS Cluster Module:
 - https://registry.terraform.io/modules/terraform-aws-modules/eks/aws/latest
- Kubernetes Provider:
 - https://registry.terraform.io/providers/hashicorp/kubernetes/latest/docs

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Terraform & Jenkins

Demo Project 3: CI/CD with Terraform (Part 1, 2 & 3)

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- Demo executed:
 - Created SSH key pair for EC2 Instance
 - Created Credential in Jenkins
 - Installed Terraform inside Jenkins Container
 - ☐ Created Terraform configuration files to provision an ec2 server
 - ☐ Created entry-script.sh file to install docker, docker-compose and start containers through docker-compose command

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- ☐ Adjusted Jenkinsfile to include provision and deployment stage
- ☐ Included docker login to be able to pull Docker Images from private Docker repository
- Executed CI/CD pipeline successfully

Useful Links:

- Project Repo:
 - https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/java-maven-app/-/tree/feature/sshagent-terraform
- Install Terraform: https://learn.hashicorp.com/tutorials/terraform/install-cli
- Install docker-compose: https://docs.docker.com/compose/install/
- Terraform environment variables:
 - https://www.terraform.io/docs/commands/environment-variables.html

Best Practice:

Include TF configuration files in your project folder

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Demo Project 3: CI/CD with Terraform (Part 1, 2 & 3)

Useful Commands

Install Terraform in Jenkins:

```
# add HashiCorp key
curl -fsSL https://apt.releases.hashicorp.com/gpg | apt-key add -

# install apt-add-repo command
apt-get install software-properties-common

# add the official HashiCorp Linux repository
apt-add-repository "deb [arch=amd64] https://apt.releases.hashicorp.com
$(lsb_release -cs) main"

# update and install
apt-get update && apt-get install terraform

# verify
terraform -v
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Terraform Remote State

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- Demo executed:
 - Configured Remote Storage

Useful Links:

- Project Repo:
 https://gitlab.com/nanuchi/java-maven-app/-/tree/feature/sshagent-terraform
- Backends: https://www.terraform.io/docs/backends/
- Remote State: https://www.terraform.io/docs/state/remote.html
- AWS S3: https://aws.amazon.com/s3/

Best Practice:

- Use Remote Terraform State when working in a team
- Use S3 Bucket Versioning
- **Security**: Enable encryption for the S3 Bucket

Terraform Best Practices

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