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### Introduction

This report is your guide to the exciting world of Azure virtual machines (VMs) – how to set them up and make them work seamlessly. We are going to focus on making sure they're super reliable, scalable, and check out cool things like Azure virtual machine scale sets. Plus, we will see how to make things even easier with the nifty Azure Virtual Machine Custom Script extension. We will be doing fun stuff like setting up zone-resilient Azure VMs, tweaking VMs with cool extensions, and making sure we scale up our compute and storage game for both VMs and scale sets.

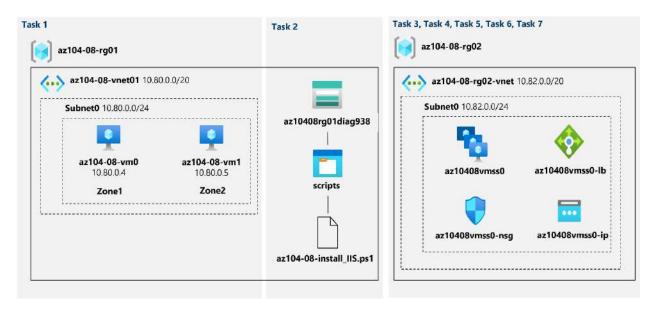
#### Lab Tasks

#### **Objectives**

In this lab, you will:

- ❖ Task 1: Deploy zone-resilient Azure virtual machines by using the Azure portal and an Azure Resource Manager template
- ❖ Task 2: Configure Azure virtual machines by using virtual machine extensions
- ❖ Task 3: Scale compute and storage for Azure virtual machines
- \* Task 4: Register the Microsoft.Insights and Microsoft.AlertsManagement resource providers
- ❖ Task 5: Deploy zone-resilient Azure virtual machine scale sets by using the Azure portal
- ❖ Task 6: Configure Azure virtual machine scale sets by using virtual machine extensions
- ❖ Task 7: Scale compute and storage for Azure virtual machine scale sets (optional)

#### **Architecture Diagram**

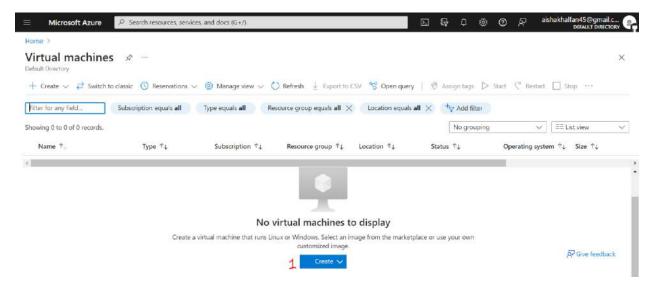


## Exercise 1

# Task 1: Deploy zone-resilient Azure virtual machines by using the Azure portal and an Azure Resource Manager template

In this task, you will deploy Azure virtual machines into different availability zones by using the Azure portal and an Azure Resource Manager template.

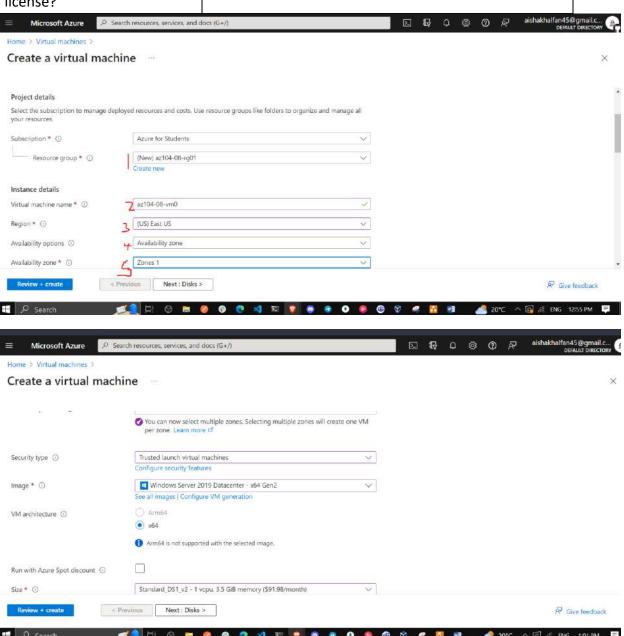
- 1. Sign in to the Azure portal.
- 2. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machines** and, on the **Virtual machines** blade, click + **Create**, click + **Azure virtual machine**.



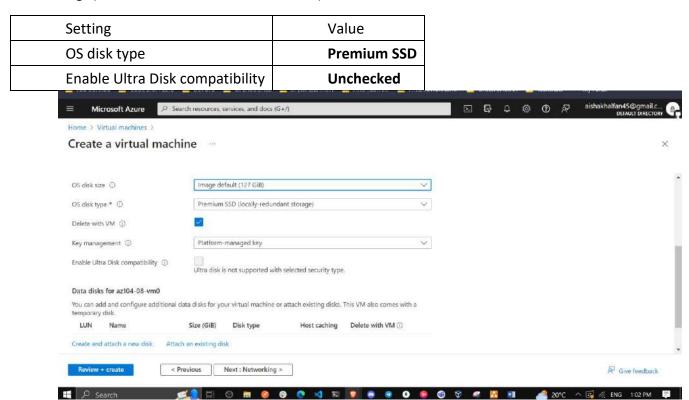
3. On the **Basics** tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Subscription	the name of the Azure subscription you will be using in this lab
Resource group	the name of a new resource group az104-08-rg01
Virtual machine name	az104-08-vm0
Region	select one of the regions that support availability zones and where you can provision Azure virtual machines
Availability options	Availability zone
Availability zone	Zone 1
Image	Windows Server 2019 Datacenter - Gen1/Gen2
Azure Spot instance	No

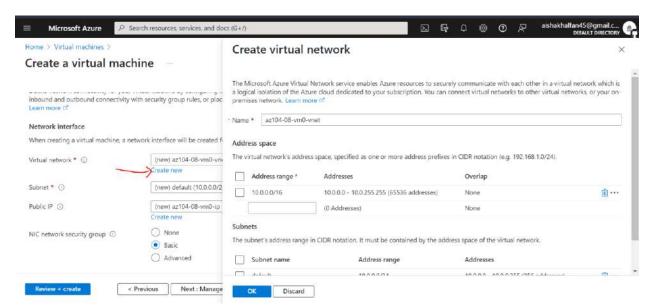
Setting	Value
Size	Standard D2s v3
Username	Student
Password	Provide a secure password
Public inbound ports	None
Would you like to use an existing Windows Server license?	Unchecked



4. Click **Next: Disks >** and, on the **Disks** tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

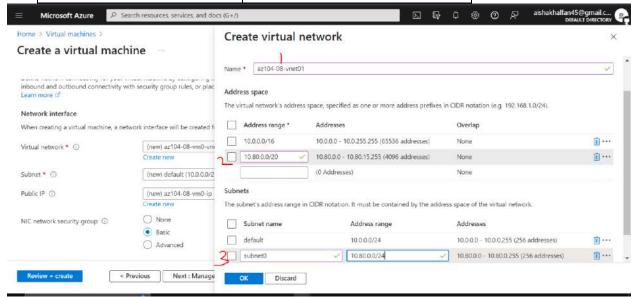


5. Click Next: Networking > and, on the Networking tab of the Create a virtual machine blade, click Create new below the Virtual network textbox.



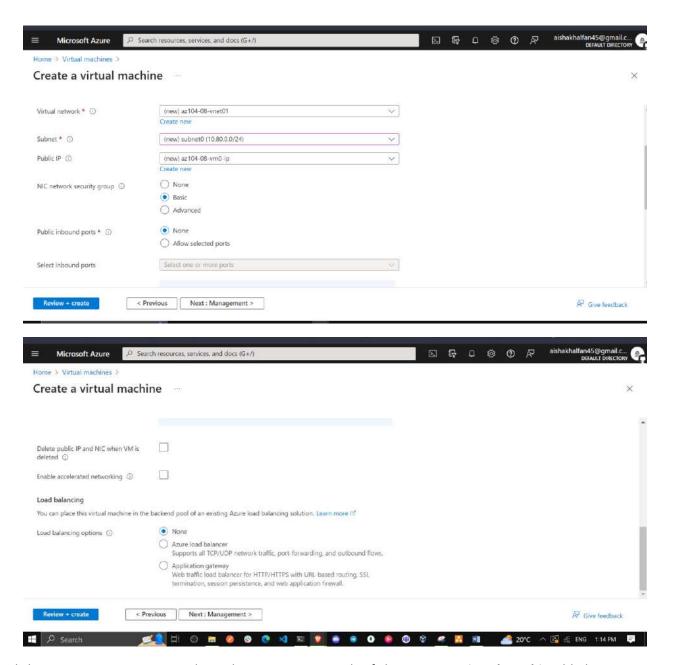
6. On the **Create virtual network** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Name	az104-08-vnet01
Address range	10.80.0.0/20
Subnet name	subnet0
Subnet range	10.80.0.0/24



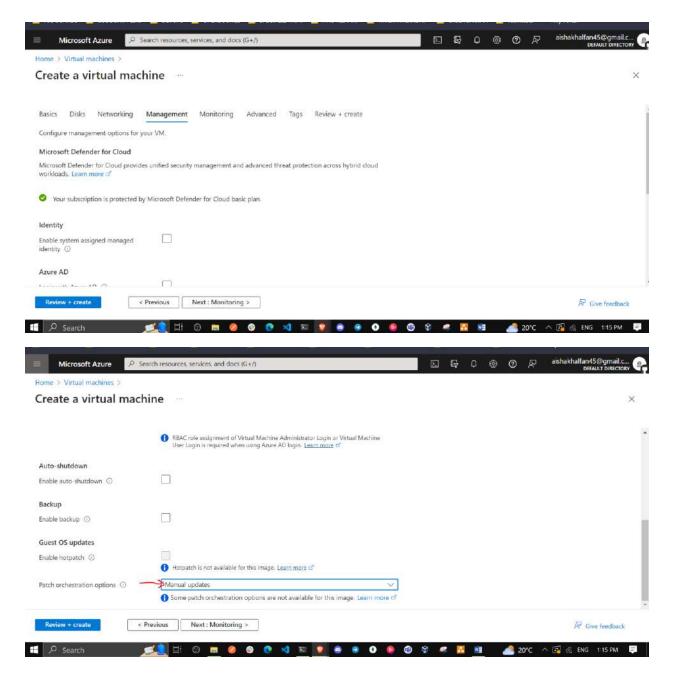
7. Click **OK** and, back on the **Networking** tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Subnet	subnet0
Public IP	default
NIC network security group	basic
Public inbound Ports	None
Accelerated networking	Off
Place this virtual machine behind an existing load balancing solution?	Unchecked



8. Click **Next: Management >** and, on the **Management** tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

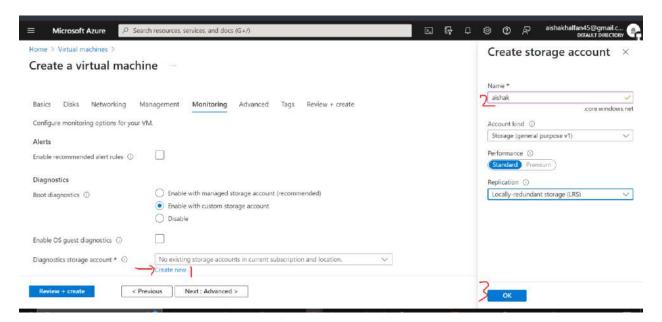
Setting	Value
Patch orchestration options	Manual updates



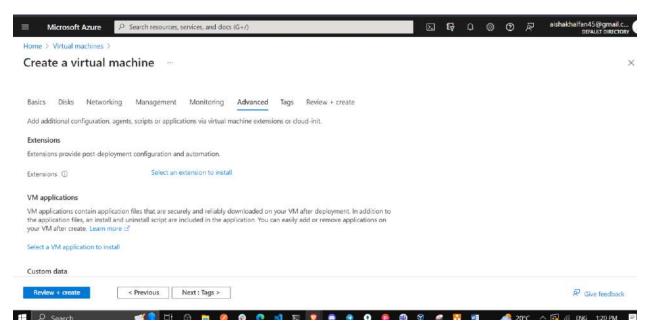
9. Click **Next: Monitoring >** and, on the **Monitoring** tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Boot diagnostics	Enable with custom storage account
Diagnostics storage account	accept the default value

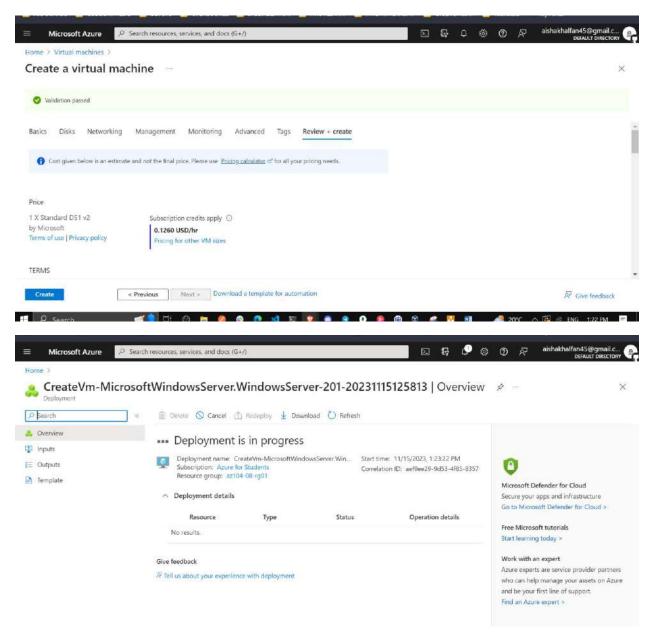
**Note**: If necessary, select an existing storage account in the dropdown list or create a new storage account. Record the name of the storage account. You will use it in the next task.



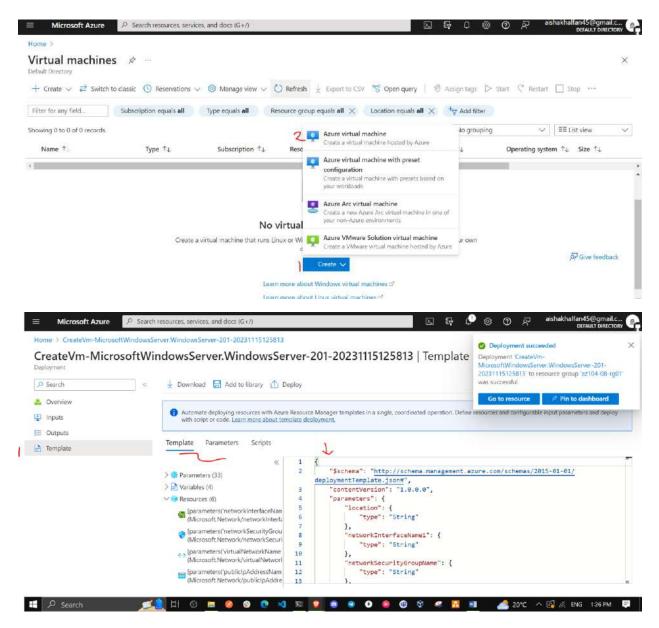
10. Click **Next:** Advanced >, on the Advanced tab of the **Create a virtual machine** blade, review the available settings without modifying any of them, and click **Review + Create**.



11. On the Review + Create blade, click Create.

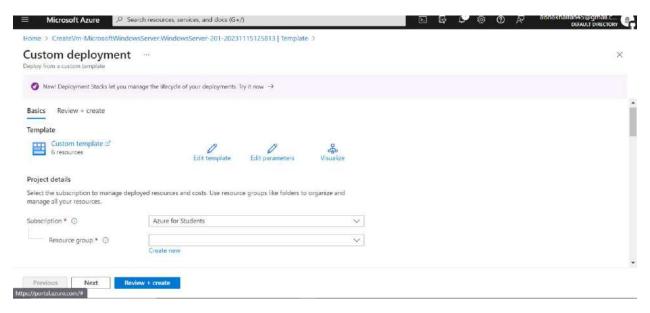


12. On the deployment blade, click **Template**.



13. Review the template representing the deployment in progress and click **Deploy**.

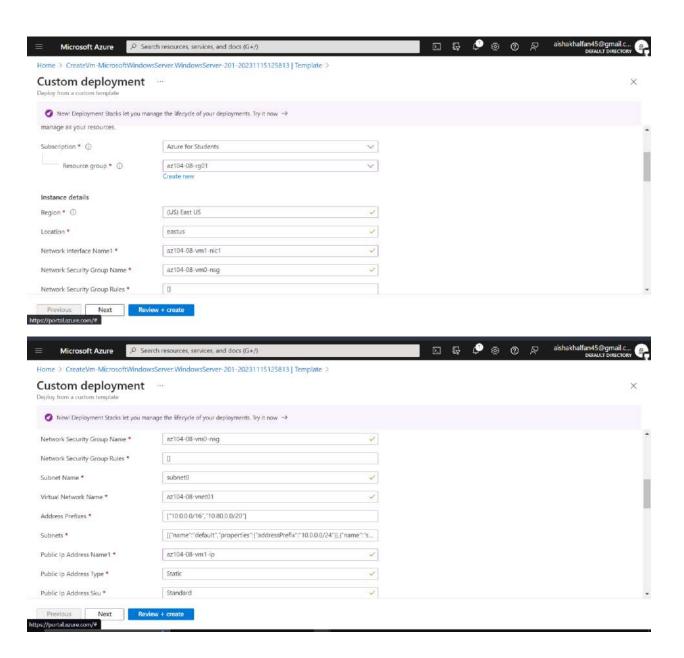
**Note**: You will use this option to deploy the second virtual machine with matching configuration except for the availability zone.

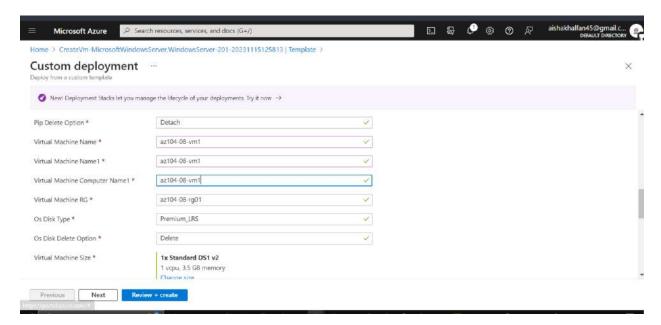


14. On the **Custom deployment** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Resource Group	az104-08-rg01
Network Interface Name	az104-08-vm1-nic1
Public IP Address Name	az104-08-vm1-ip
Virtual Machine Name, Virtual Machine Name1, Virtual Machine Computer Name	az104-08-vm1
Virtual Machine RG	az104-08-rg01
Admin Username	Student
Admin Password	Provide a secure password
Enable Hotpatching	false
Zone	2

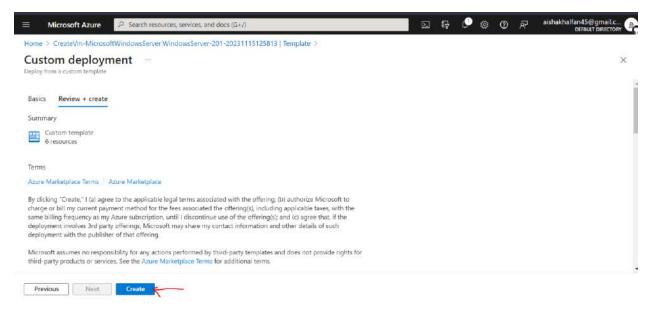
**Note**: You need to modify parameters corresponding to the properties of the distinct resources you are deploying by using the template, including the virtual machine and its network interface.

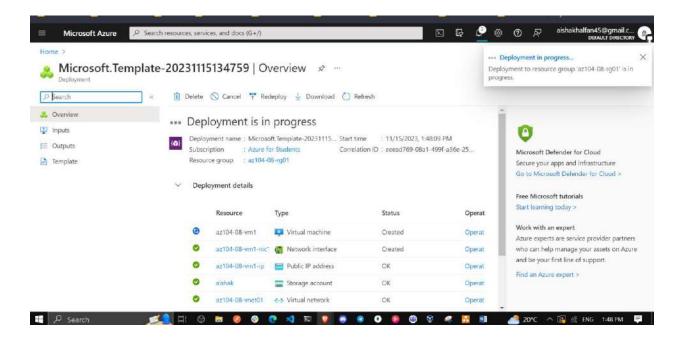




15. Click Review + Create, on the Review + Create blade, click Create.

**Note**: Wait for both deployments to complete before you proceed to the next task. This might take about 5 minutes.

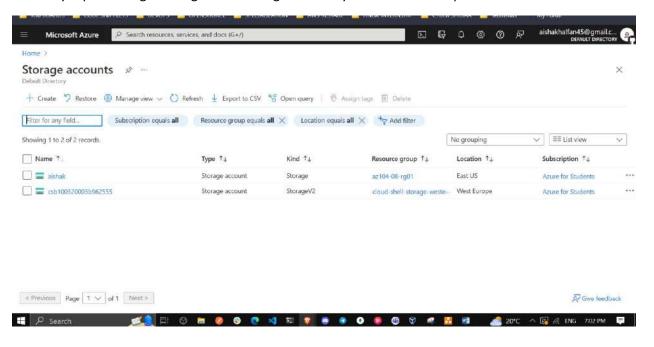


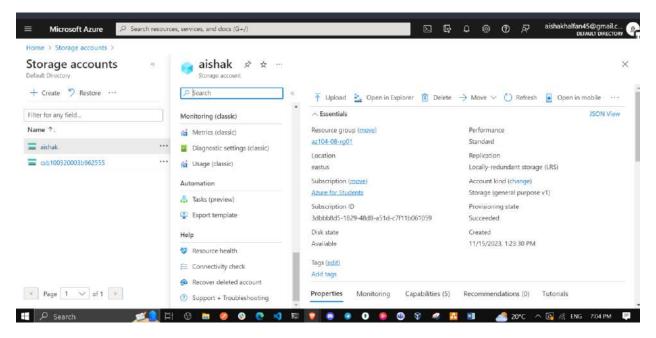


# Task 2: Configure Azure virtual machines by using virtual machine extensions

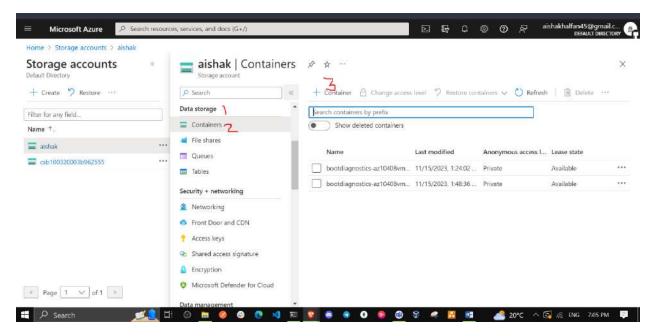
In this task, you will install Windows Server Web Server role on the two Azure virtual machines you deployed in the previous task by using the Custom Script virtual machine extension.

1. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Storage accounts** and, on the **Storage accounts** blade, click the entry representing the diagnostics storage account you created in the previous task.



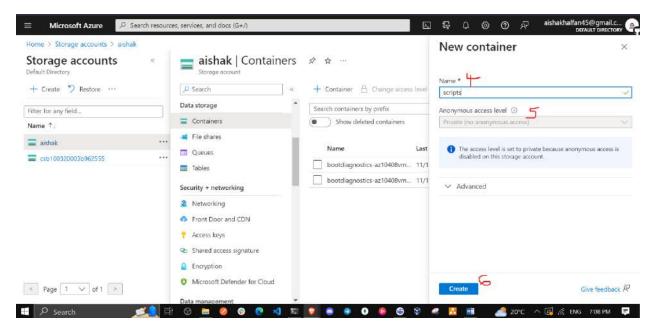


On the storage account blade, in the Data Storage section, click Containers and then click + Container.

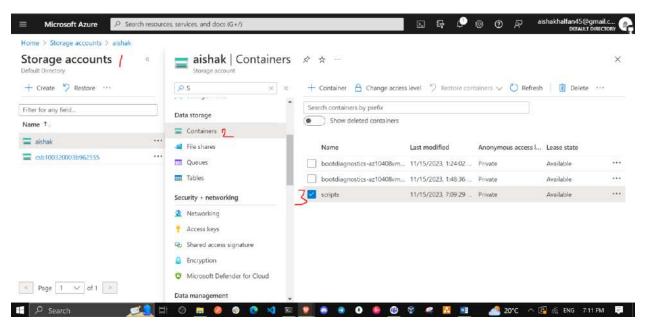


3. On the **New container** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values) and click **Create**:

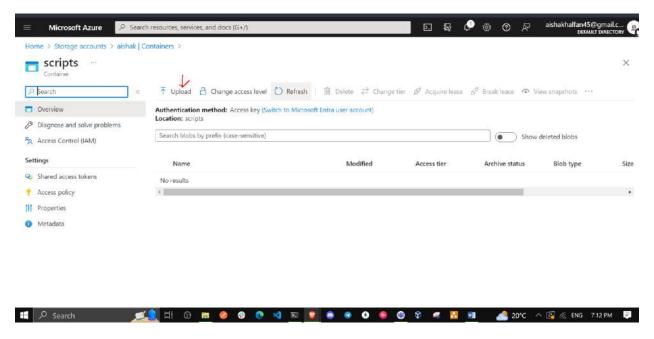
Setting	Value
Name	scripts
Public access level	Private (no anonymous access)



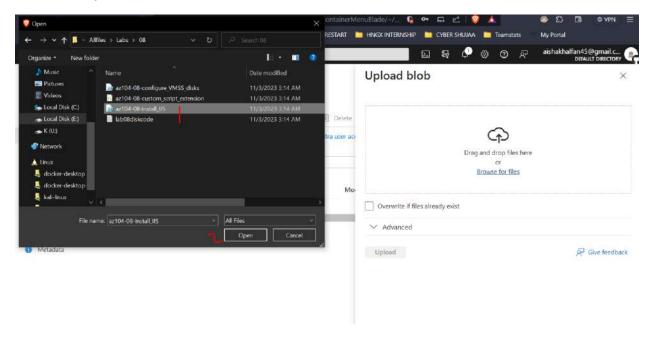
4. Back on the storage account blade displaying the list of containers, click scripts.

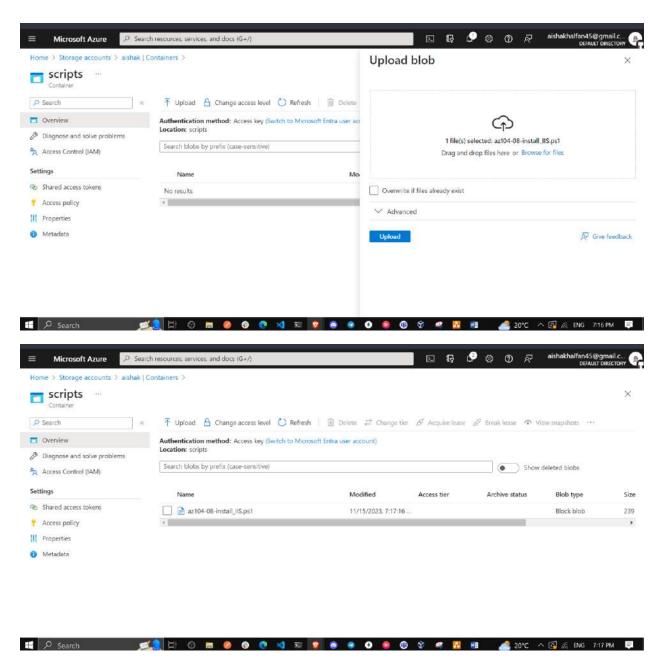


5. On the scripts blade, click Upload.

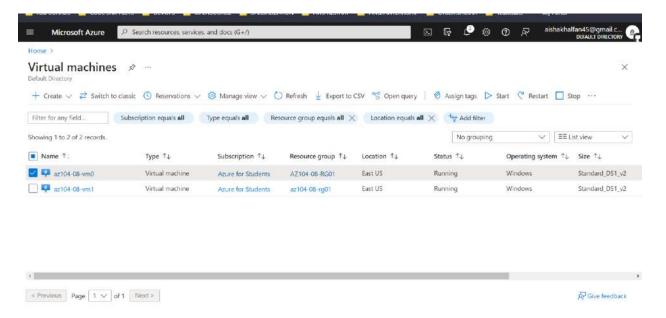


6. On the **Upload blob** blade, click the folder icon, in the **Open** dialog box, navigate to the **\Allfiles\Labs\08** folder, select **az104-08-install\_IIS.ps1**, click **Open**, and back on the **Upload blob** blade, click **Upload**.

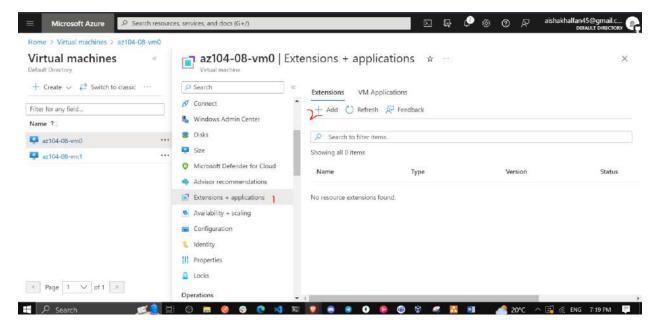


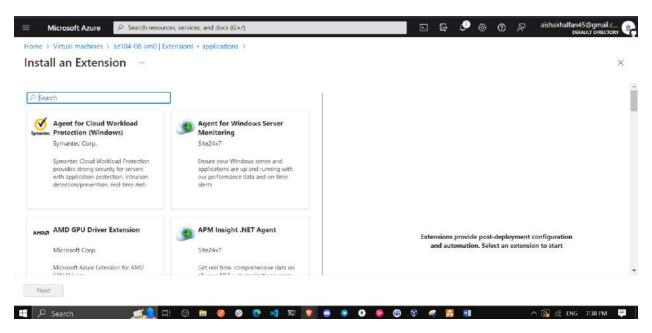


7. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machines** and, on the **Virtual machines** blade, click az104-08-vm0.

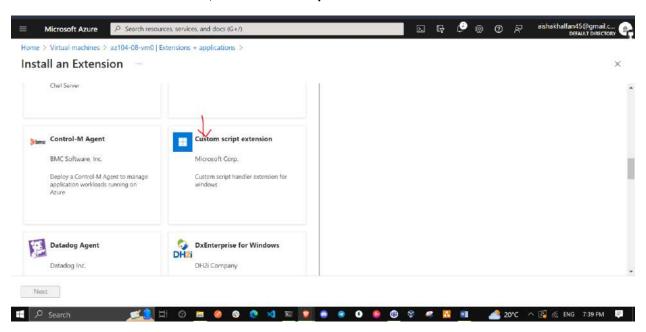


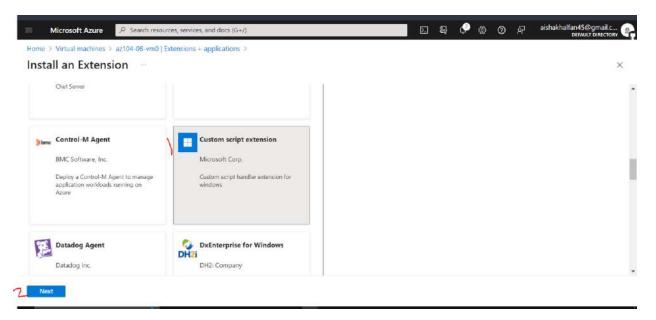
8. On the az104-08-vm0 virtual machine blade, in the Settings section, click Extensions + applications, and the click + Add.



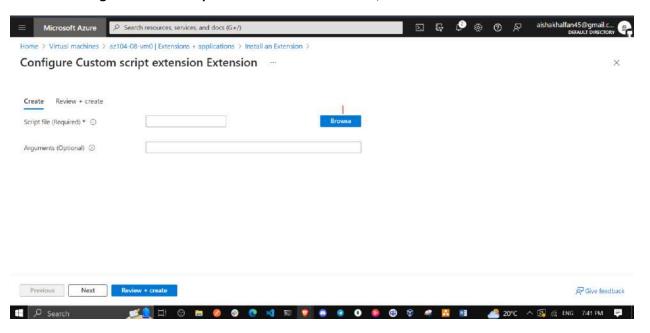


9. On the Install an Extension blade, click Custom Script Extension and then click Next.

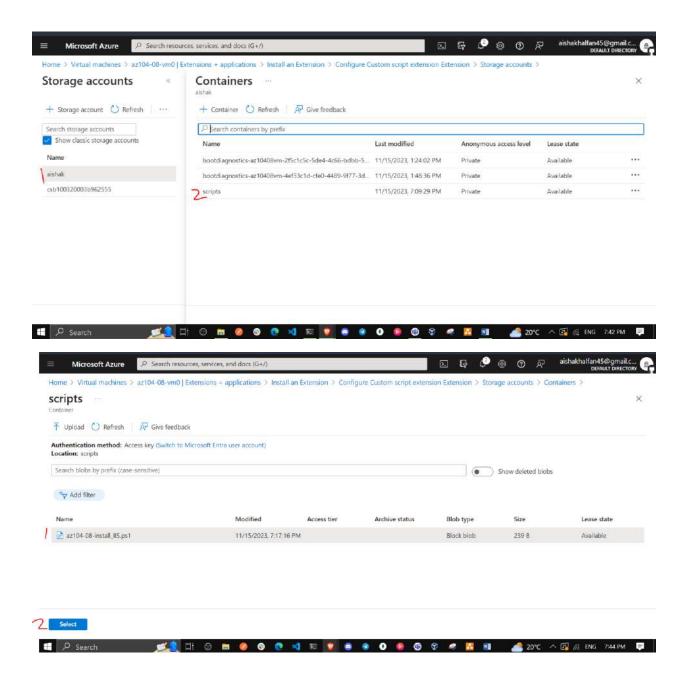




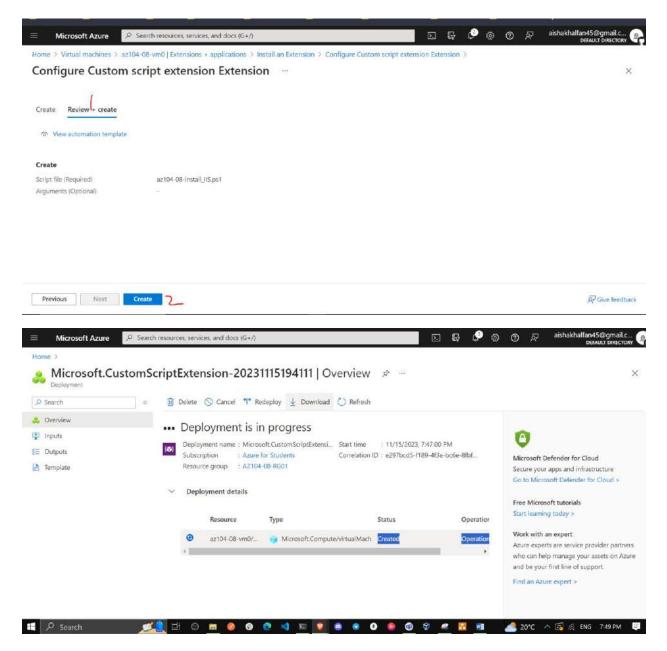
10. From the Configure Custom Script Extension Extension blade, click Browse.



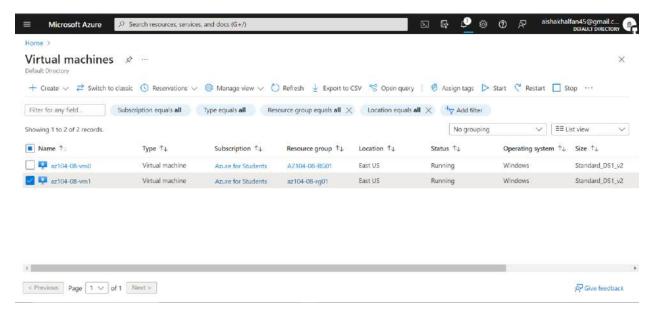
11. On the **Storage accounts** blade, click the name of the storage account into which you uploaded the az104-08-install\_IIS.ps1 script, on the **Containers** blade, click scripts, on the scripts blade, click az104-08-install\_IIS.ps1, and then click **Select**.



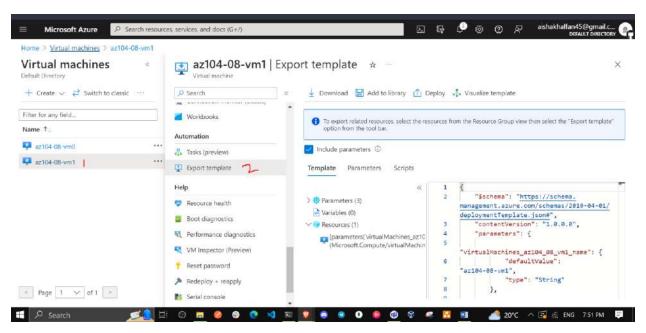
12. Back on the **Install extension** blade, click **Review + create** and, on the **Review + create** blade click **Create**.



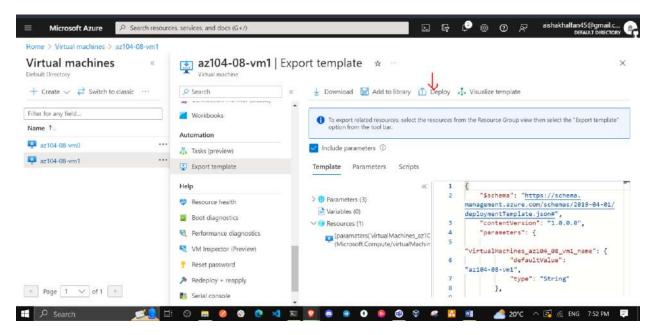
13. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machines** and, on the **Virtual machines** blade, click az104-08-vm1.



14. On the az104-08-vm1 blade, in the Automation section, click Export template.

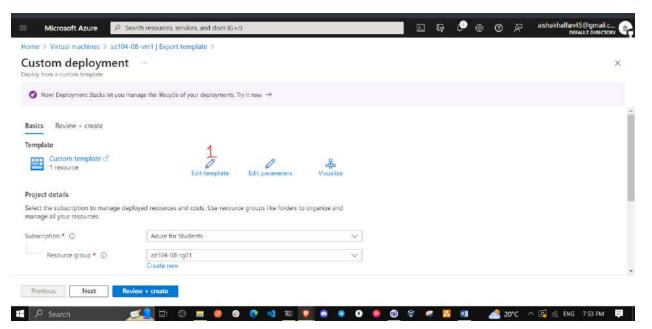


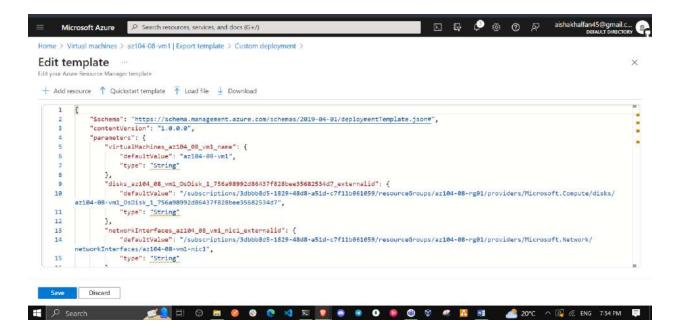
15. On the az104-08-vm1 - Export template blade, click Deploy.



16. On the Custom deployment blade, click Edit template.

Note: Disregard the message stating The resource group is in a location that is not supported by one or more resources in the template. Please choose a different resource group. This is expected and can be ignored in this case.





17. On the **Edit template** blade, in the section displaying the content of the template, insert the following code starting with line **20** (directly underneath the "resources": [ line):

**Note**: If you are using a tool that pastes the code in line by line intellisense may add extra brackets causing validation errors. You may want to paste the code into notepad first and then paste it into line 20.

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         "name":
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         "apiVersion":
                                                      "2018-06-01"
         "location":
                                      "[resourceGroup().location]"
         "depends0n":
             "az104-08-vm1"
         'properties":
                                               "Microsoft.Compute"
             "publisher":
             "type":
                                           "CustomScriptExtension"
             "typeHandlerVersion":
                                                             "1.7",
             "autoUpgradeMinorVersion":
                                                              true,
             "settings":
                 "commandToExecute": "powershell.exe Install-Wind
owsFeature -name Web-Server -IncludeManagementTools && powershell
.exe remove-item 'C:\\inetpub\\wwwroot\\iisstart.htm' && powershe
11.exe Add-Content -Path 'C:\\inetpub\\wwwroot\\iisstart.htm' -Va
       $('Hello
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           }
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},
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**Note**: This section of the template defines the same Azure virtual machine custom script extension that you deployed earlier to the first virtual machine via Azure PowerShell.

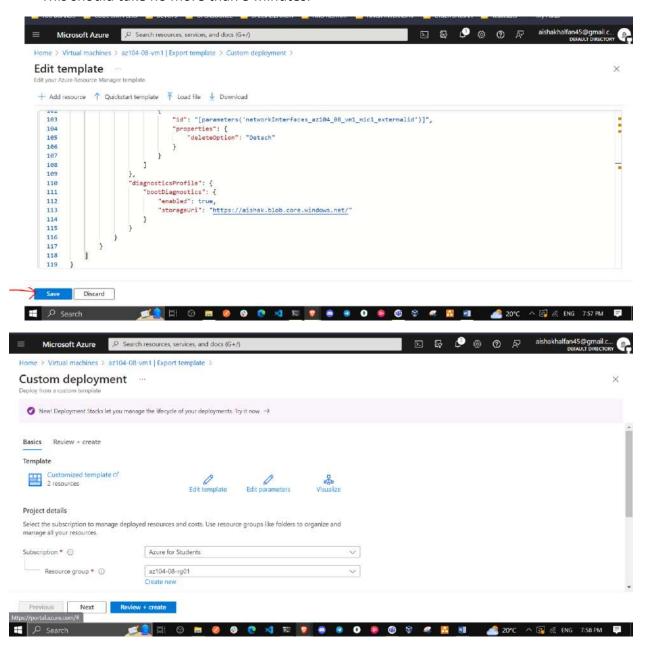
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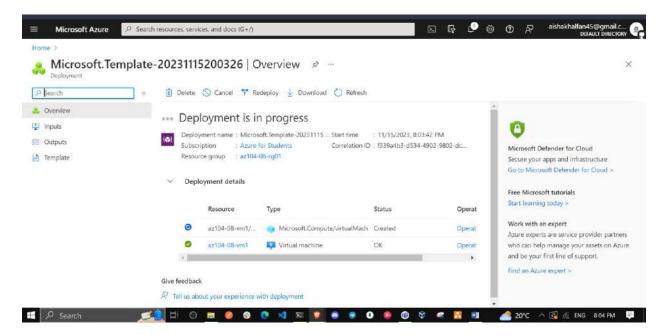
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"name": "sz184-08-vml/customScriptExtension",
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"dependsOn": [
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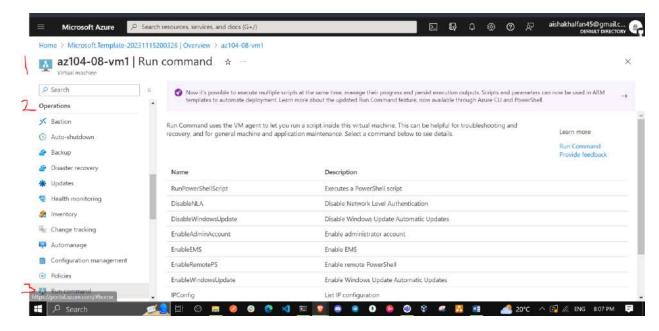
18. Click Save and, back on the Custom template blade, click Review + Create and, on the Review + Create blade, click Create

**Note**: Wait for the template deployment to complete. You can monitor its progress from the **Extensions** blade of the **az104-08-vm0** and **az104-08-vm1** virtual machines. This should take no more than 3 minutes.





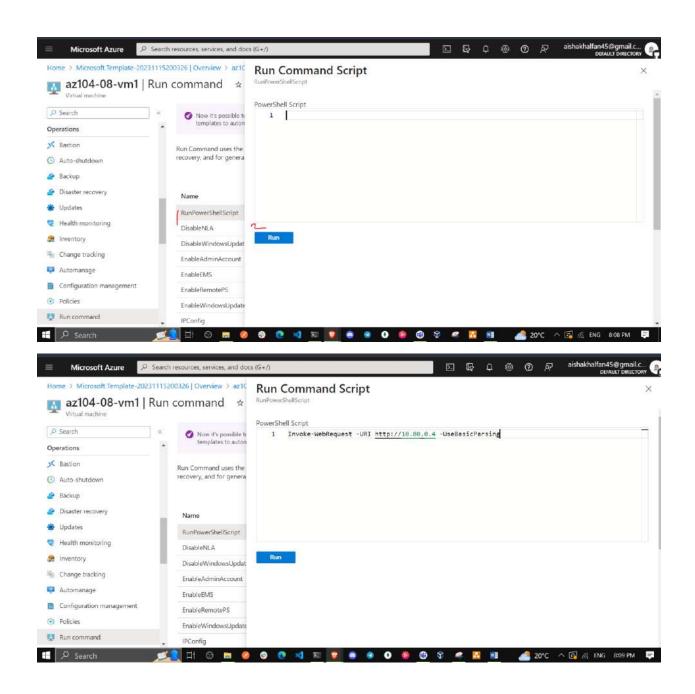
19. To verify that the Custom Script extension-based configuration was successful, navigate back on the az104-08-vm1 blade, in the Operations section, click Run command, and, in the list of commands, click RunPowerShellScript.

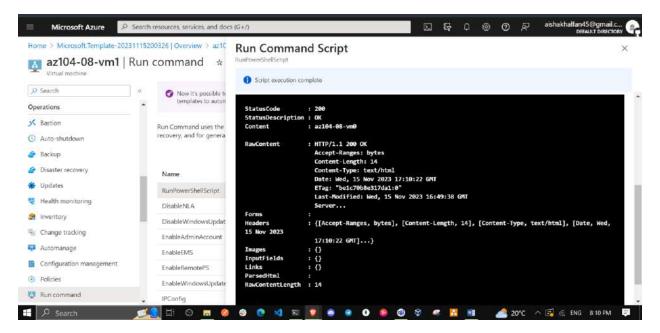


20. On the **Run Command Script** blade, type the following and click **Run** to access the web site hosted on az104-08-vm1:

Invoke-WebRequest -URI http://10.80.0.4 -UseBasicParsing

**Note**: The **-UseBasicParsing** parameter is necessary to eliminate dependency on Internet Explorer to complete execution of the cmdlet





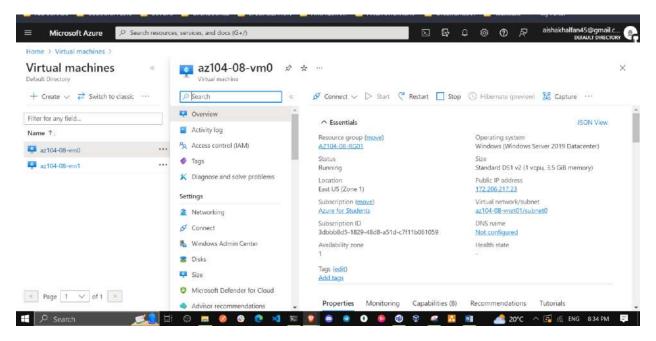
Note: The -URI parameter is the Private IP address of the VM. Navigate to the az104-08-vm1 blade, in the Networking section, and click Network settings

**Note**: You can also connect to **az104-08-vm0** and run *Invoke-WebRequest -URI* http://10.80.0.5 -UseBasicParsing to access the web site hosted on **az104-08-vm1**.

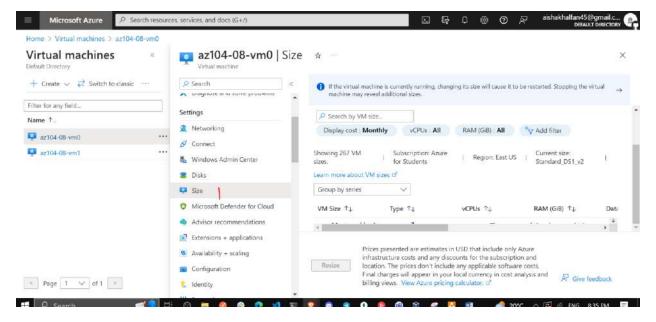
# Task 3: Scale compute and storage for Azure virtual machines

In this task you will scale compute for Azure virtual machines by changing their size and scale their storage by attaching and configuring their data disks.

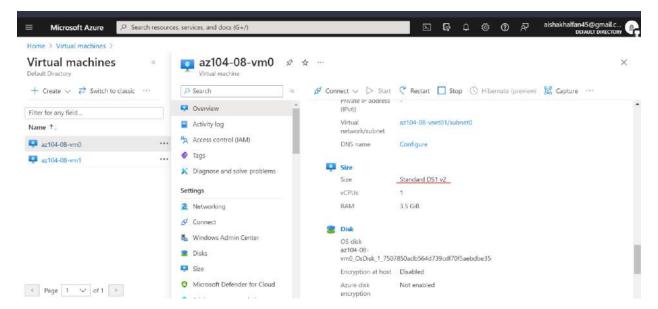
1. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machines** and, on the **Virtual machines** blade, click az104-08-vm0.



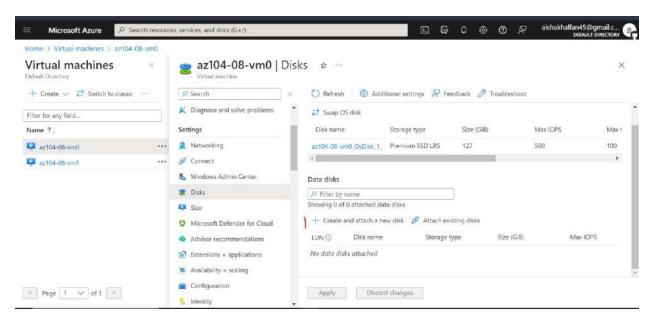
 On the az104-08-vm0 virtual machine blade, click Size and set the virtual machine size to Standard DS1\_v2 and click Resize



**Note**: Choose another size if **Standard DS1\_v2** is not available.

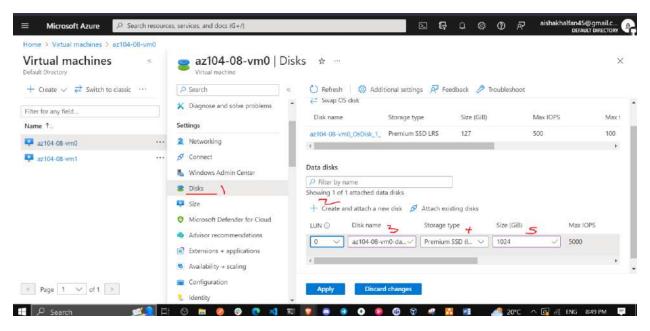


3. On the az104-08-vm0 virtual machine blade, click Disks, Under Data disks click + Create and attach a new disk.



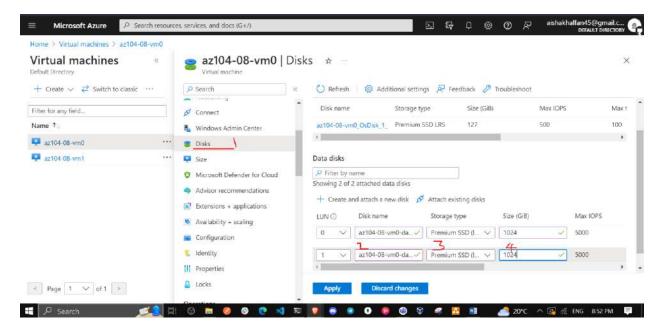
4. Create a managed disk with the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Disk name	az104-08-vm0-datadisk-0
Storage type	Premium SSD
Size (GiB	1024

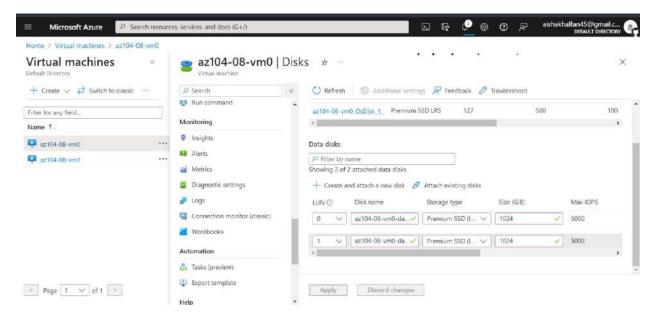


- 5. Back on the az104-08-vm0 Disks blade, Under Data disks click + Create and attach a new disk.
- 6. Create a managed disk with the following settings (leave others with their default values) and Save changes:

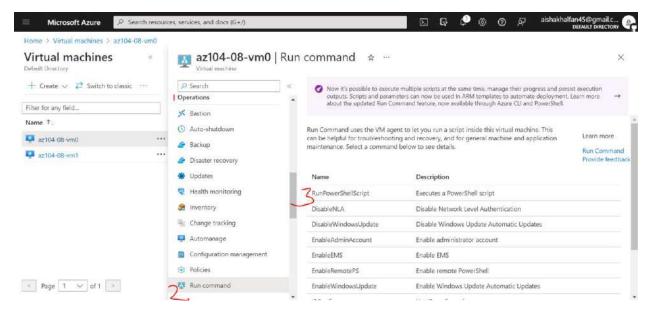
Setting	Value
Disk name	az104-08-vm0-datadisk-1
Storage type	Premium SSD
Size (GiB)	1024 GiB

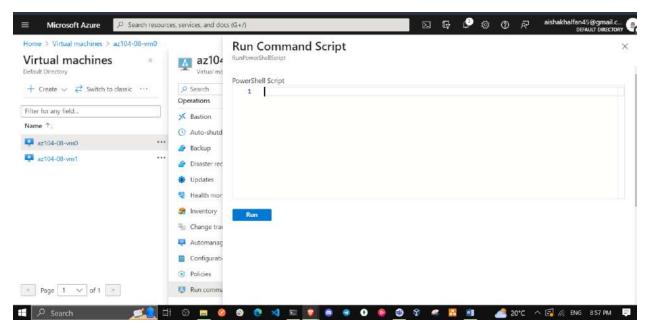


7. Back on the az104-08-vm0 - Disks blade, click Save.



8. On the az104-08-vm0 blade, in the Operations section, click Run command, and, in the list of commands, click RunPowerShellScript.





9. On the **Run Command Script** blade, type the following and click **Run** to create a drive Z: consisting of the two newly attached disks with the simple layout and fixed provisioning:

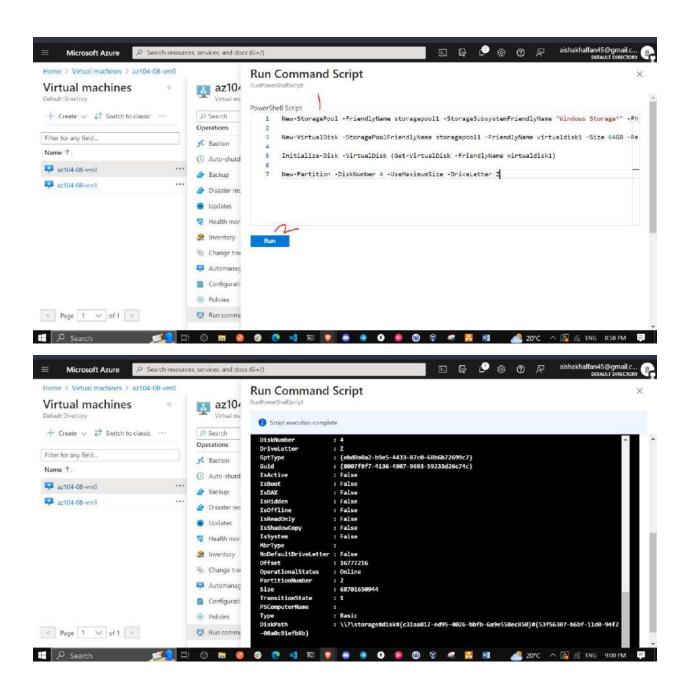
New-StoragePool -FriendlyName storagepool1 -StorageSubsystemFrien dlyName "Windows Storage\*" -PhysicalDisks (Get-PhysicalDisk -CanPool \$true)

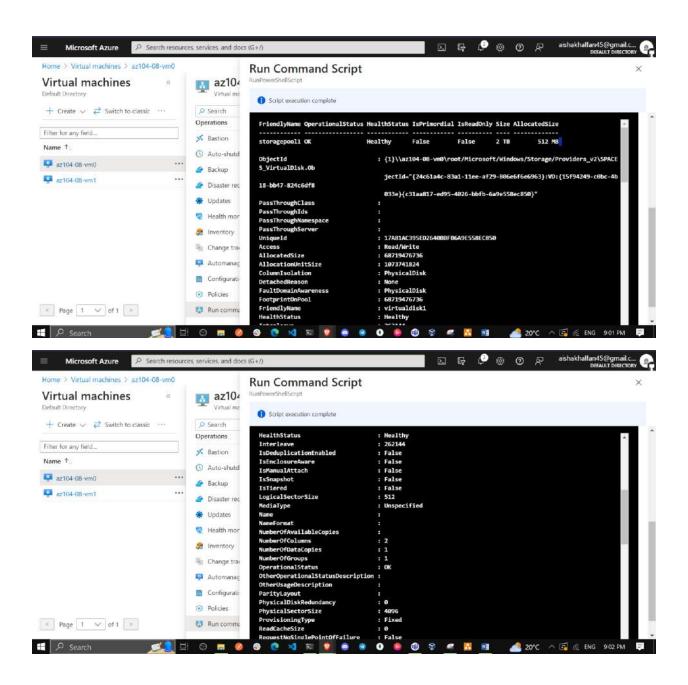
New-VirtualDisk -StoragePoolFriendlyName storagepool1 -FriendlyName virtualdisk1 -Size 64GB -ResiliencySettingName Simple -Provisi oningType Fixed

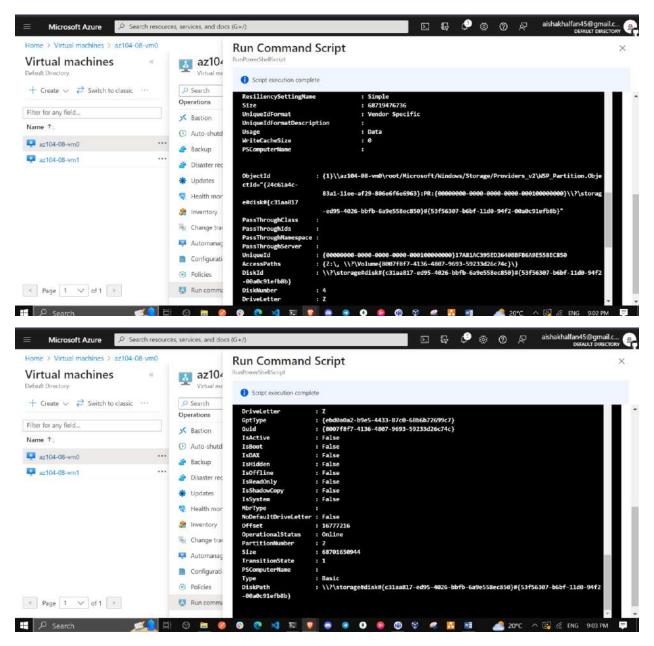
Initialize-Disk -VirtualDisk (Get-VirtualDisk -FriendlyName virtu aldisk1)

New-Partition -DiskNumber 4 -UseMaximumSize -DriveLetter

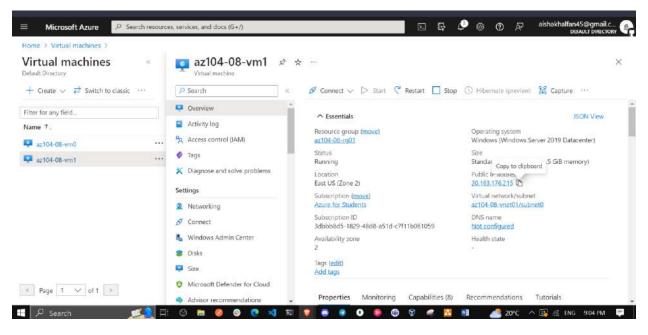
**Note**: Wait for the confirmation that the commands completed successfully.



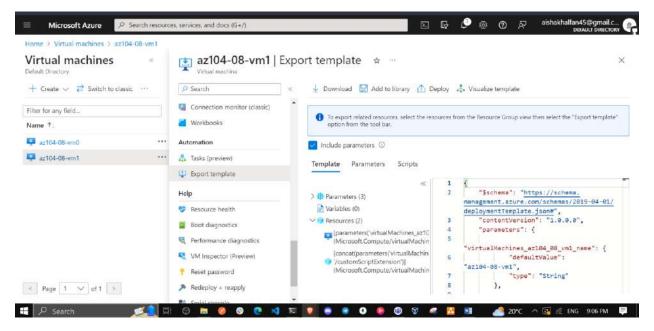




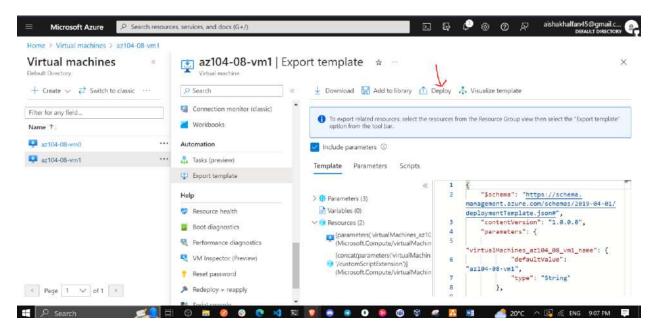
10. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machines** and, on the **Virtual machines** blade, click az104-08-vm1.



11. On the az104-08-vm1 blade, in the Automation section, click Export template.

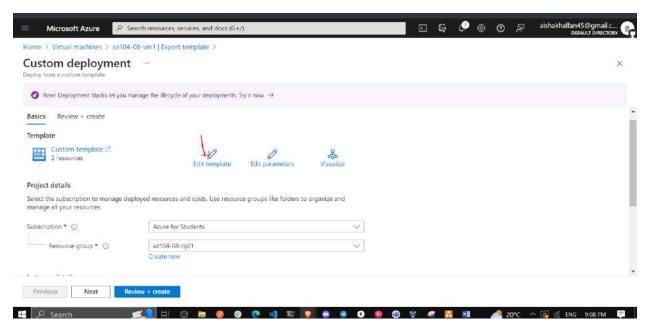


12. On the az104-08-vm1 - Export template blade, click Deploy.



13. On the Custom deployment blade, click Edit template.

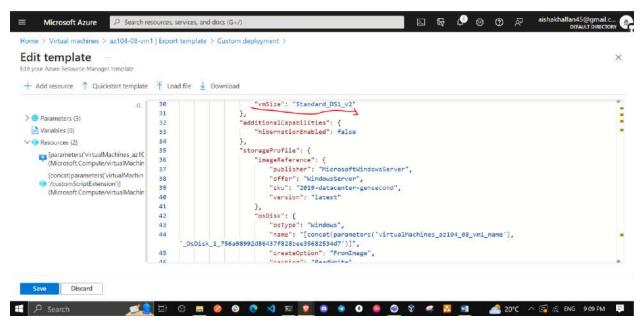
Note: Disregard the message stating The resource group is in a location that is not supported by one or more resources in the template. Please choose a different resource group. This is expected and can be ignored in this case.



14. On the **Edit template** blade, in the section displaying the content of the template, replace the line **30** "vmSize": "Standard\_D2s\_v3" with the following line):

"vmSize": "Standard\_DS1\_v2"

**Note**: This section of the template defines the same Azure virtual machine size as the one you specified for the first virtual machine via the Azure portal.

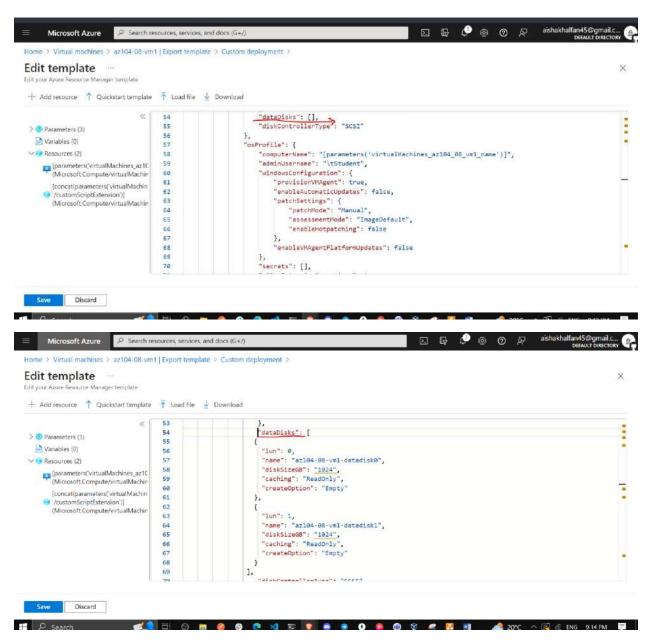


15. On the **Edit template** blade, in the section displaying the content of the template, replace line **51** ("dataDisks": [ ],) with the following code:

```
"dataDisks":
    "lun":
    "name":
                         "az104-08-vm1-datadisk0"
    "diskSizeGB":
                                             "1024"
                                         "ReadOnly",
    "caching":
    "createOption":
                                             "Empty"
 },
    "lun":
    "name":
                         "az104-08-vm1-datadisk1"
                                             "1024",
    "diskSizeGB":
                                         "ReadOnly",
    "caching":
                                             "Empty"
    "createOption":
],
```

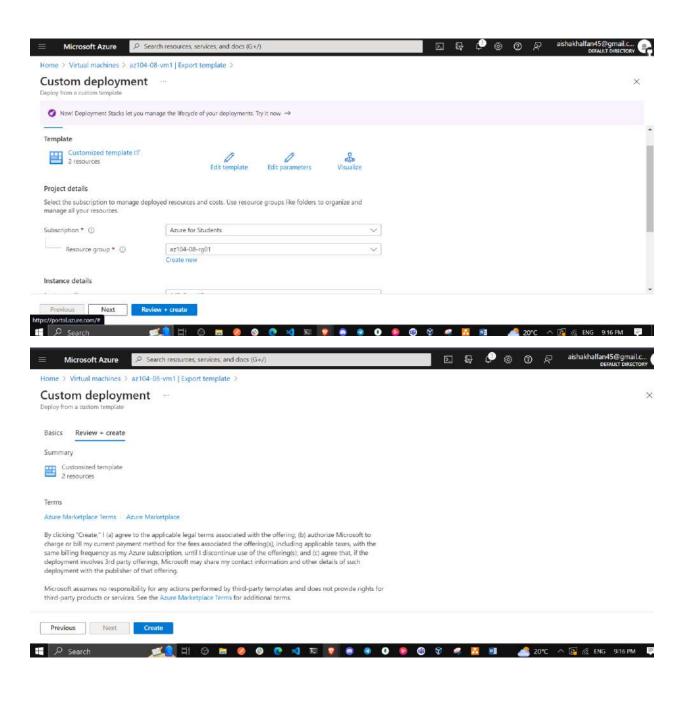
**Note**: If you are using a tool that pastes the code in line by line intellisense may add extra brackets causing validation errors. You may want to paste the code into notepad first and then paste it into line 49.

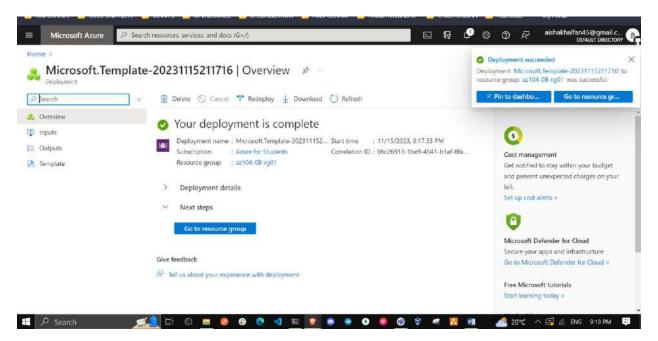
**Note**: This section of the template creates two managed disks and attaches them to **az104-08-vm1**, similarly to the storage configuration of the first virtual machine via the Azure portal.



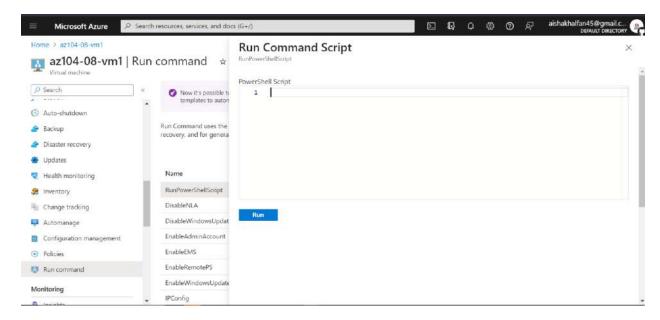
16. Click **Save** and, back on the **Custom deployment** blade, click **Review + Create** and, on the **Review + Create** blade, click **Create**.

**Note**: Wait for the template deployment to complete. You can monitor its progress from the **Disks** blade of the **az104-08-vm1** virtual machine. This should take no more than 3 minutes.





17. Back on the az104-08-vm1 blade, in the Operations section, click Run command, and, in the list of commands, click RunPowerShellScript.



18. On the **Run Command Script** blade, type the following and click **Run** to create a drive Z: consisting of the two newly attached disks with the simple layout and fixed provisioning:

New-StoragePool -FriendlyName storagepool1 -StorageSubsystemFriendlyName "Windows Storage\*" -PhysicalDisks (Get-PhysicalDisk -CanPool \$true)

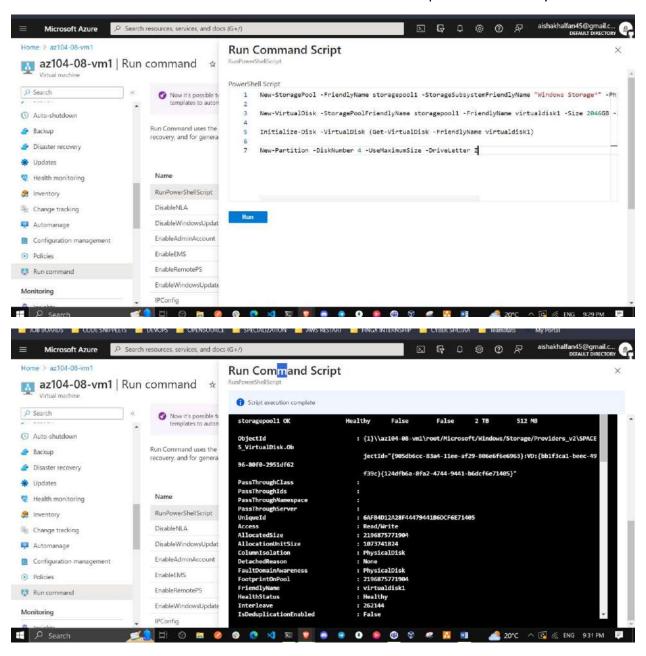
New-VirtualDisk -StoragePoolFriendlyName storagepool1 -FriendlyNa

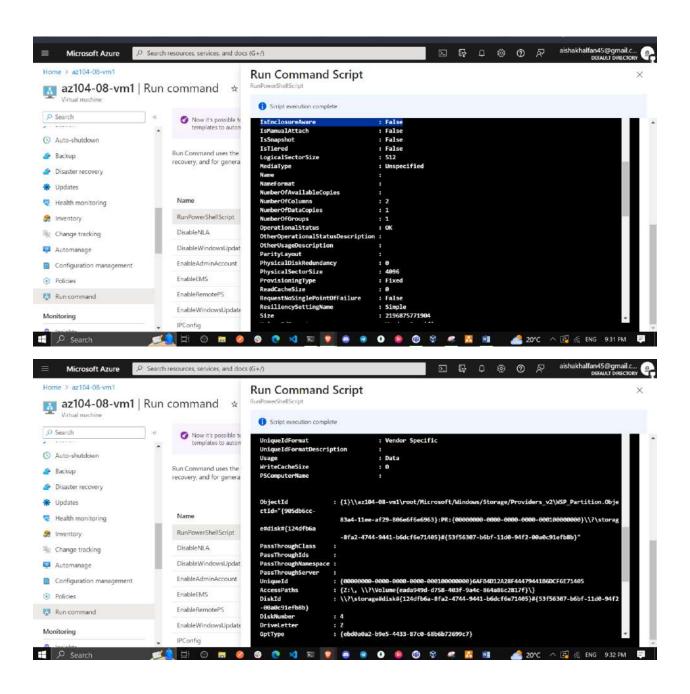
me virtualdisk1 -Size 2046GB -ResiliencySettingName Simple -Provi sioningType Fixed

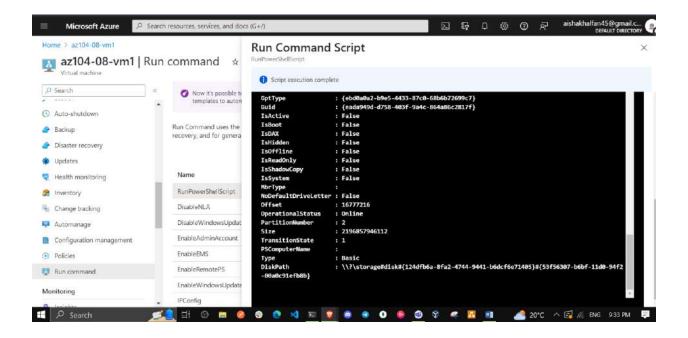
Initialize-Disk -VirtualDisk (Get-VirtualDisk -FriendlyName virtu aldisk1)

New-Partition -DiskNumber 4 -UseMaximumSize -DriveLetter Z

Note: Wait for the confirmation that the commands completed successfully.

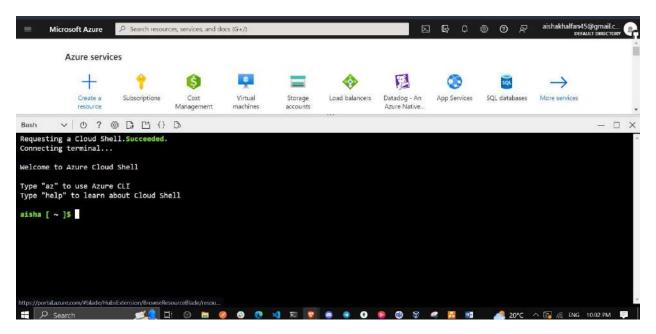






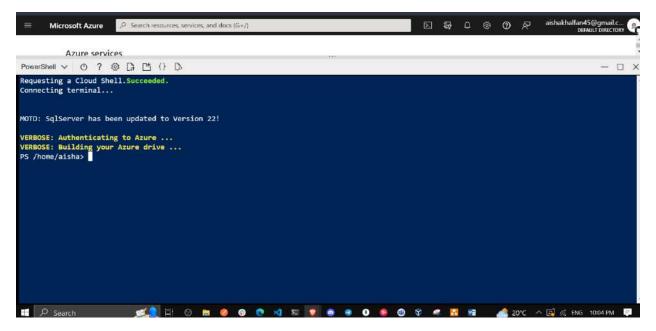
# Task 4: Register the Microsoft.Insights and Microsoft.AlertsManagement resource providers

1. In the Azure portal, open the **Azure Cloud Shell** by clicking on the icon in the top right of the Azure Portal.



If prompted to select either Bash or PowerShell, select PowerShell.

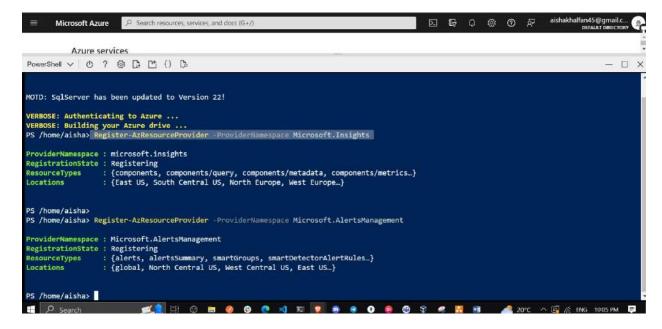
**Note**: If this is the first time you are starting **Cloud Shell** and you are presented with the **You have no storage mounted** message, select the subscription you are using in this lab, and click **Create storage**.



3. From the Cloud Shell pane, run the following to register the Microsoft.Insights and Microsoft.AlertsManagement resource providers.

Register-AzResourceProvider -ProviderNamespace Microsoft.Insights

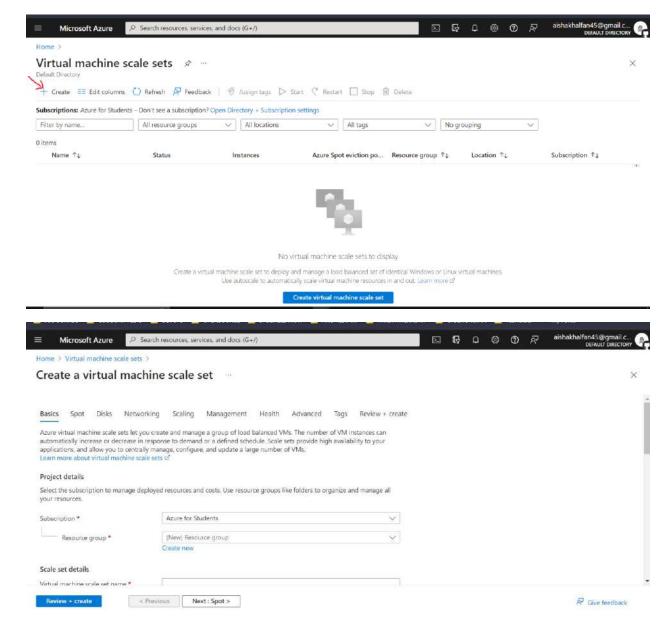
Register-AzResourceProvider -ProviderNamespace Microsoft.AlertsManagement



# Task 5: Deploy zone-resilient Azure virtual machine scale sets by using the Azure portal

In this task, you will deploy Azure virtual machine scale set across availability zones by using the Azure portal.

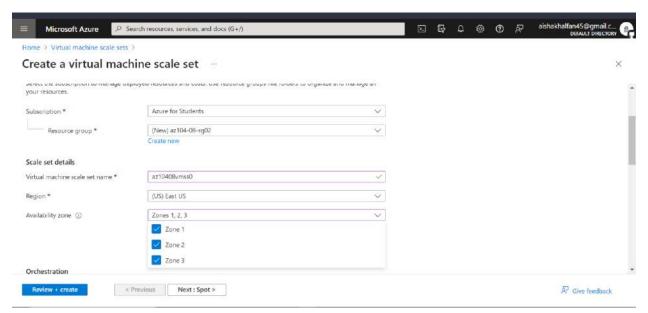
1. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Virtual machine scale sets** and, on the **Virtual machine scale sets** blade, click **+ Add** (or **+ Create**).

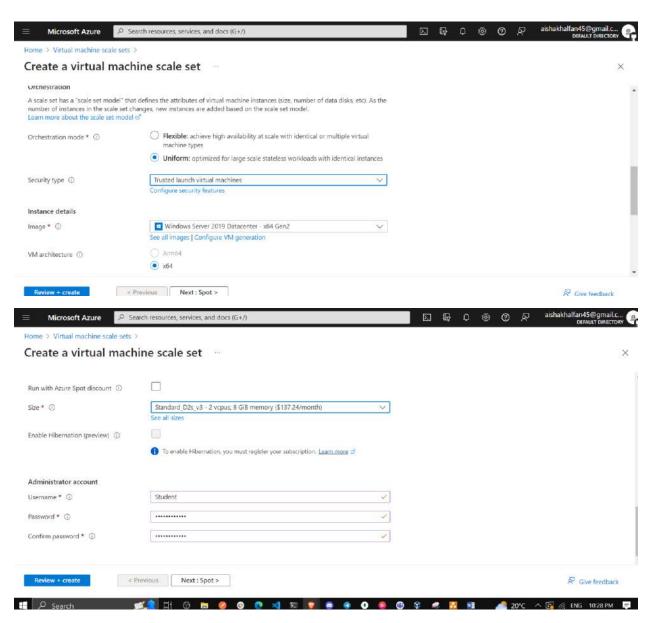


2. On the **Basics** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values) and click **Next : Disks >**:

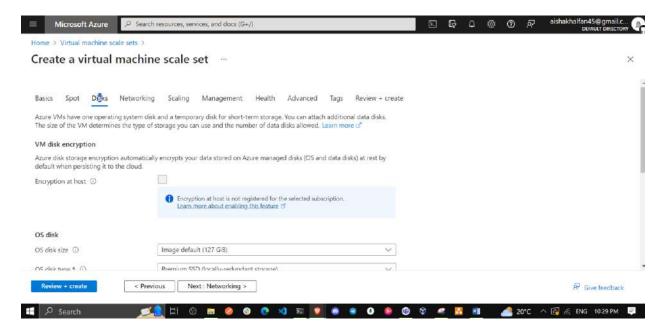
Setting	Value
Subscription	the name of the Azure subscription you are using in this lab
Resource group	the name of a new resource group az104-08-rg02
Virtual machine scale set name	az10408vmss0
Region	select one of the regions that support availability zones and where you can provision Azure virtual machines different from the one you used to deploy virtual machines earlier in this lab
Availability zone	Zones 1, 2, 3
Orchestration mode	Uniform
Image	Windows Server 2019 Datacenter - Gen2
Run with Azure Spot discount	No
Size	Standard D2s_v3
Username	Student
Password	Provide a secure password
Already have a Windows Server license?	Unchecked

**Note**: For the list of Azure regions which support deployment of Windows virtual machines to availability zones, refer to *What are Availability Zones in Azure?* 





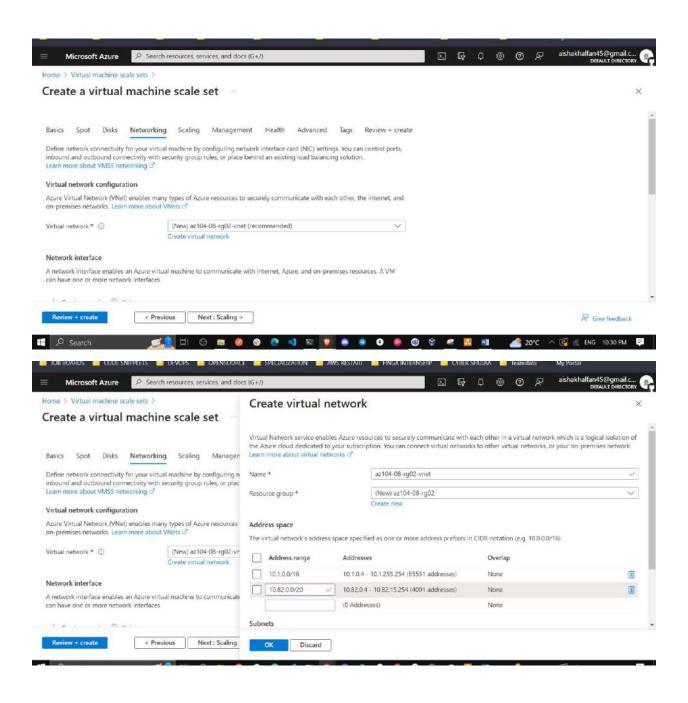
3. On the **Disks** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, accept the default values and click **Next : Networking >**.

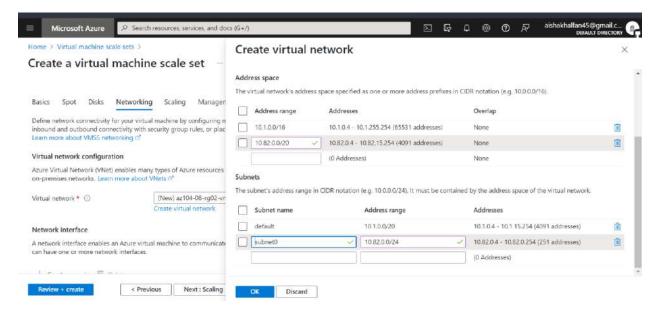


4. On the Networking tab of the Create a virtual machine scale set blade, click the Create virtual network link below the Virtual network textbox and create a new virtual network with the following settings (leave others with their default values).

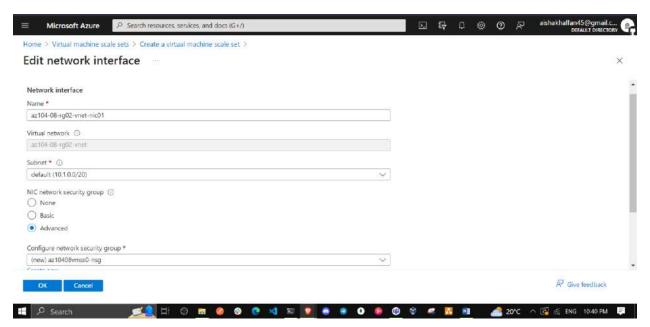
Setting	Value
Name	az104-08-rg02-vnet
Address range	10.82.0.0/20
Subnet name	subnet0
Subnet range	10.82.0.0/24

**Note**: Once you create a new virtual network and return to the **Networking** tab of the **Create** a **virtual machine scale set** blade, the **Virtual network** value will be automatically set to az104-08-rg02-vnet.



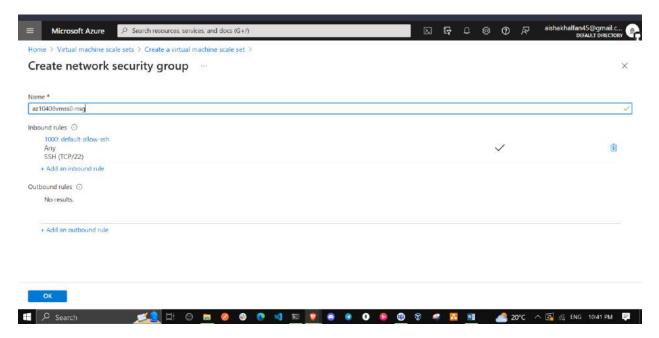


- 5. Back on the **Networking** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, click the **Edit network interface** icon to the right of the network interface entry.
- 6. On the **Edit network interface** blade, in the **NIC network security group** section, click **Advanced** and click **Create new** under the **Configure network security group** drop-down list.



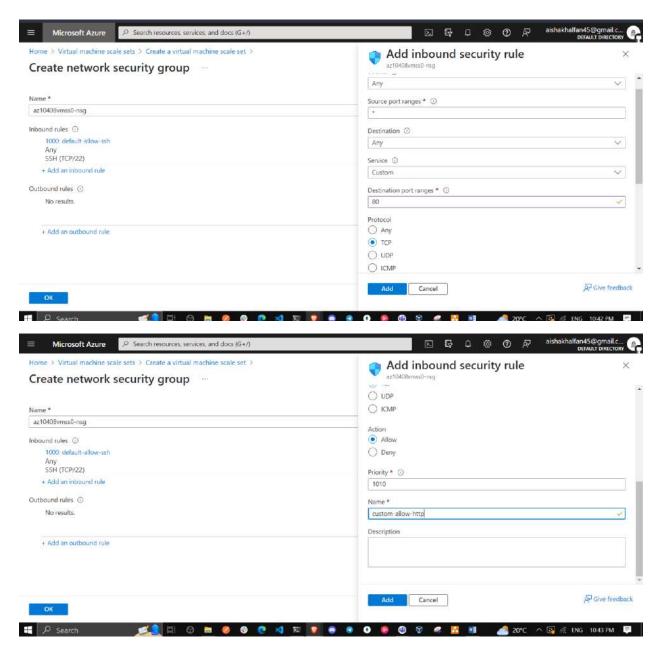
7. On the **Create network security group** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Name	az10408vmss0-nsg

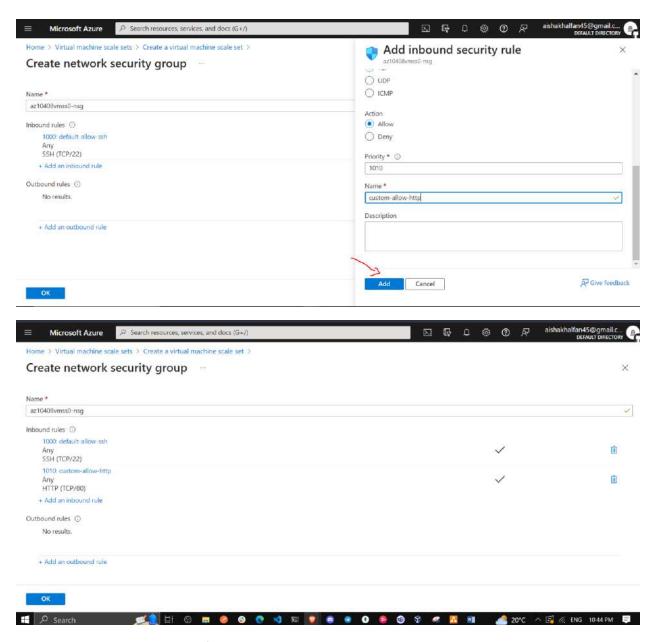


8. Click **Add an inbound rule** and add an inbound security rule with the following settings (leave others with their default values):

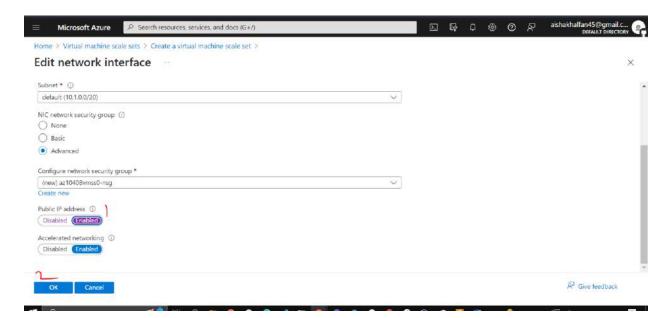
Setting	Value
Source	Any
Source port ranges	*
Destination	Any
Destination port ranges	80
Protocol	TCP
Action	Allow
Priority	1010
Name	custom-allow-http



9. Click **Add** and, back on the **Create network security group** blade, click **OK**.

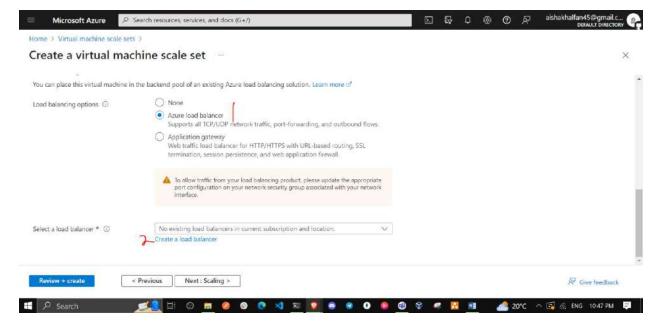


10. Back on the **Edit network interface** blade, in the **Public IP address** section, click **Enabled** and click **OK**.

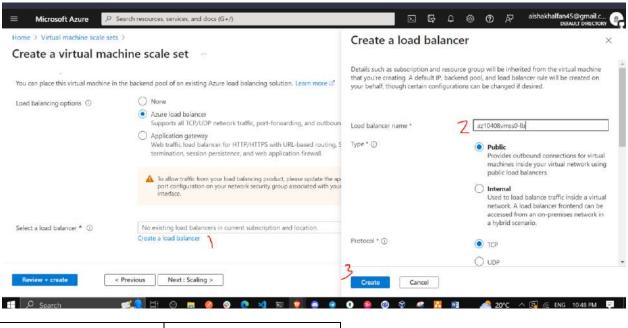


11. Back on the **Networking** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, under the **Load balancing** section, specify the following (leave others with their default values).

Setting	Value
Load balancing options	Azure load balancer
Select a load balancer	Create a load balancer



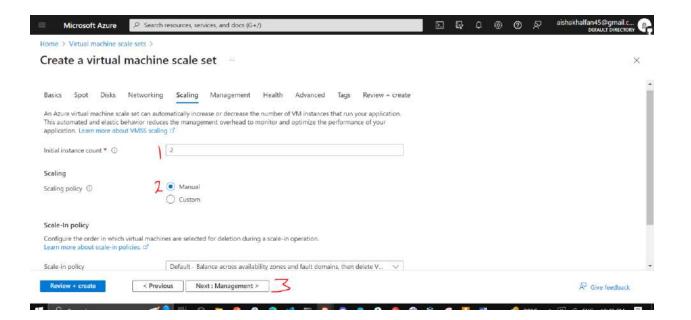
12. On the **Create a load balancer** page, specify the load balancer name and take the defaults. Click **Create** when you are done then **Next : Scaling >**.



Setting	Value
Load balancer name	az10408vmss0-lb

13. On the **Scaling** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values) and click **Next : Management >**:

Setting	Value
Initial instance count	2
Scaling policy	Manual

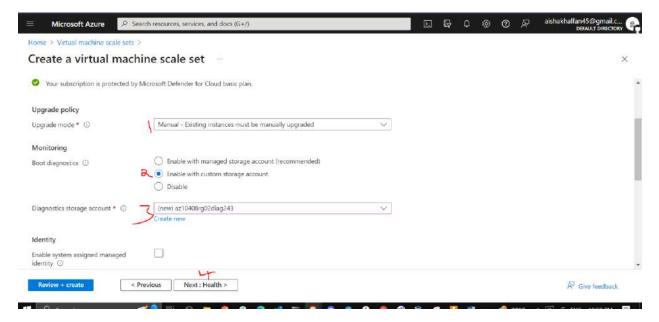


14. On the **Management** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

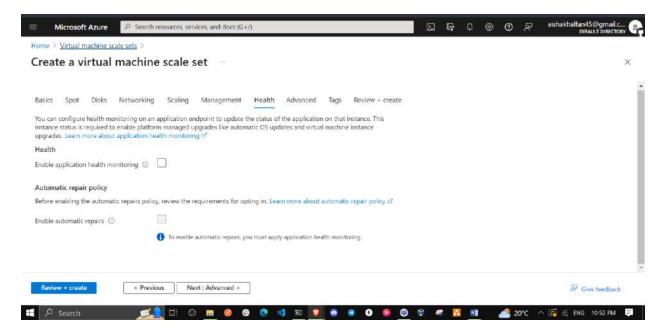
Setting	Value
Boot diagnostics	Enable with custom storage account
Diagnostics storage account	accept the default value

**Note**: You will need the name of this storage account in the next task.

Click Next: Health >:



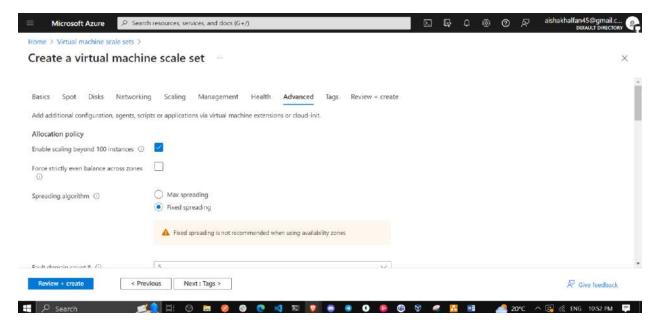
15. On the **Health** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, review the default settings without making any changes and click **Next : Advanced >**.



16. On the **Advanced** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values) and click **Review + create**.

Setting	Value
Spreading algorithm	Fixed spreading (not recommended with zones)

Note: The Max spreading setting is currently not functional.

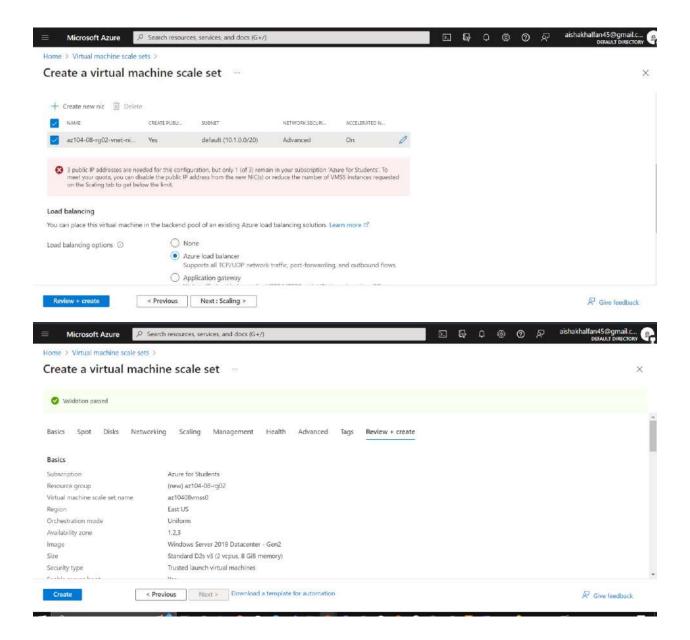


17. On the **Review + create** tab of the **Create a virtual machine scale set** blade, ensure that the validation passed and click **Create**.

**Note**: Wait for the virtual machine scale set deployment to complete. This should take about 5 minutes.



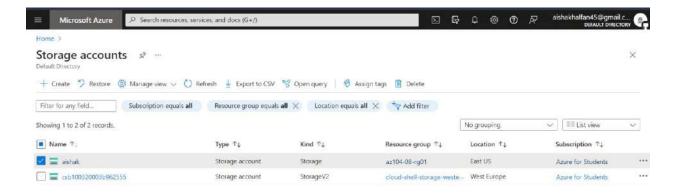
I got this validation error because my azure students account only allowed 3 Public IP addresses. To solve I had to disable the Public IP on the new NIC created



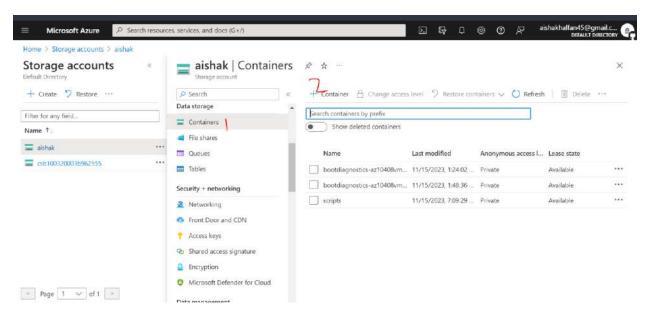
# Task 6: Configure Azure virtual machine scale sets by using virtual machine extensions

In this task, you will install Windows Server Web Server role on the instances of the Azure virtual machine scale set you deployed in the previous task by using the Custom Script virtual machine extension.

1. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Storage accounts** and, on the **Storage accounts** blade, click the entry representing the diagnostics storage account you created in the previous task.

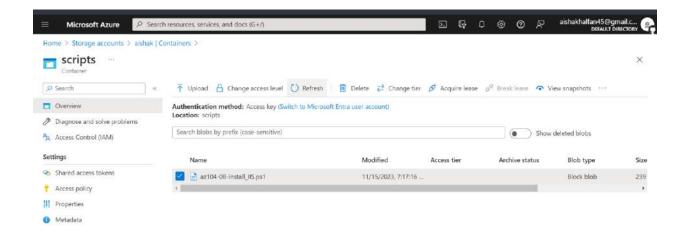


On the storage account blade, in the Data Storage section, click Containers and then click + Container.

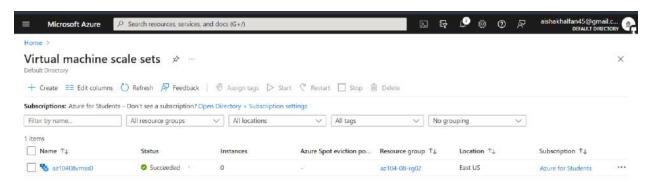


3. On the New container blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values) and click Create:

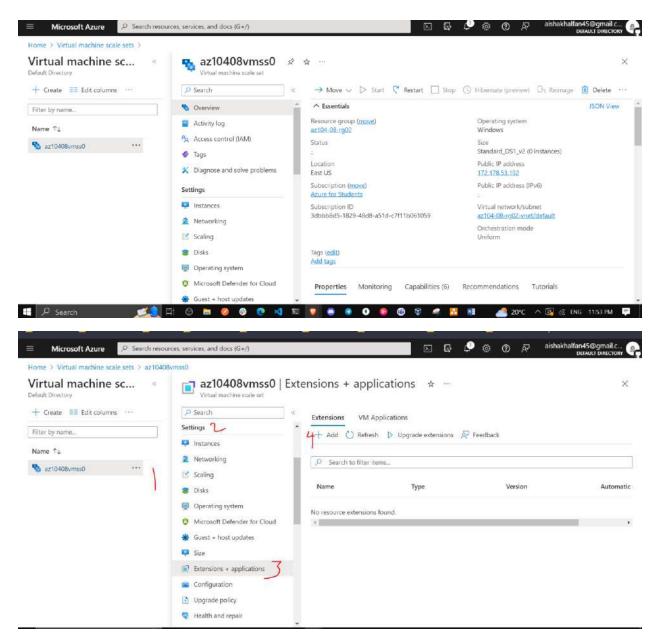
Setting	Value
Name	scripts
Public access level	Private (no anonymous access)



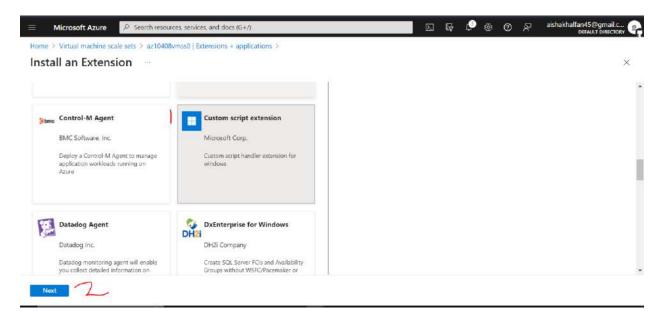
- 4. Back on the storage account blade displaying the list of containers, click **scripts**.
- 5. On the scripts blade, click Upload.
- On the Upload blob blade, click the folder icon, in the Open dialog box, navigate to the \Allfiles\Labs\08 folder, select az104-08-install\_IIS.ps1, click Open, and back on the Upload blob blade, click Upload.
- 7. In the Azure portal, navigate back to the Virtual machine scale sets blade and click az10408vmss0.



8. On the az10408vmss0 blade, in the Settings section, click Extensions and applications, and the click + Add.

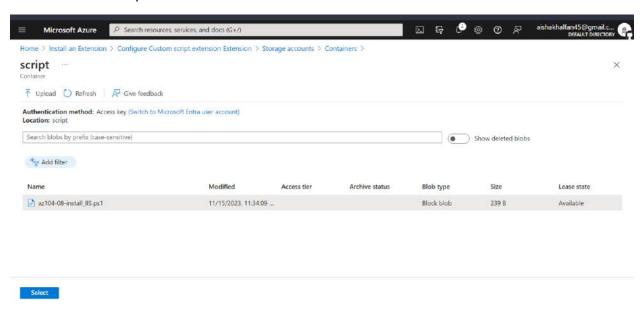


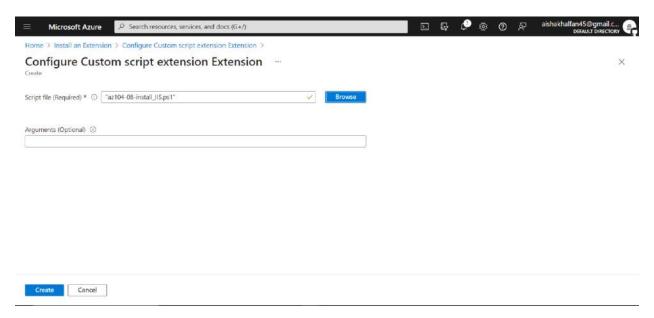
9. On the New resource blade, click Custom Script Extension and then click Next.



10. From the **Install extension** blade, **Browse** to and **Select** the **az104-08-install\_IIS.ps1** script that was uploaded to the **scripts** container in the storage account earlier in this task, and then click **Create**.

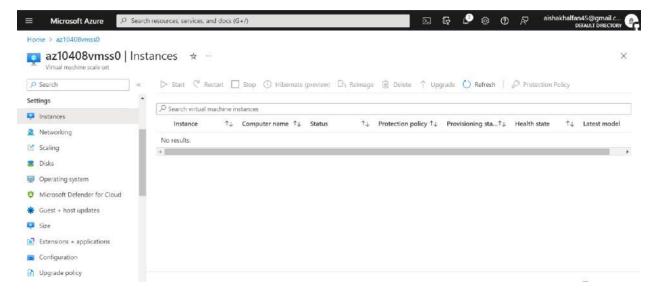
**Note**: Wait for the installation of the extension to complete before proceeding to the next step.



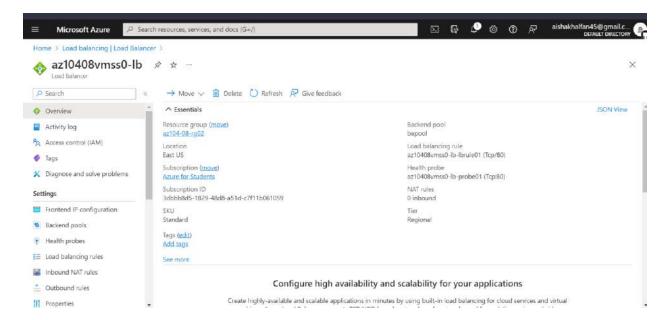


11. In the Settings section of the az10408vmss0 blade, click Instances, select the checkboxes next to the two instances of the virtual machine scale set, click Upgrade, and then, when prompted for confirmation, click Yes.

Note: Wait for the upgrade to complete before proceeding to the next step.

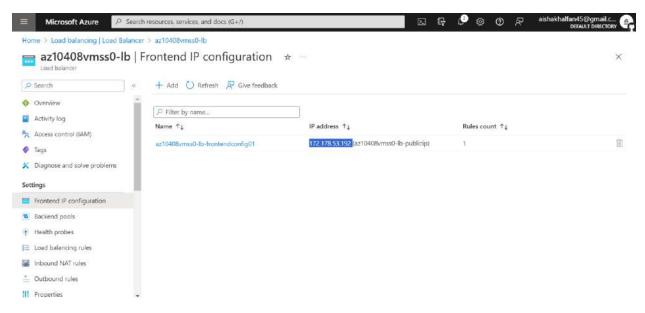


12. In the Azure portal, search for and select **Load balancers** and, in the list of load balancers, click az10408vmss0-lb.



13. On the az10408vmss0-lb blade, note the value of the Public IP address assigned to the frontend of the load balancer, open an new browser tab, and navigate to that IP address.

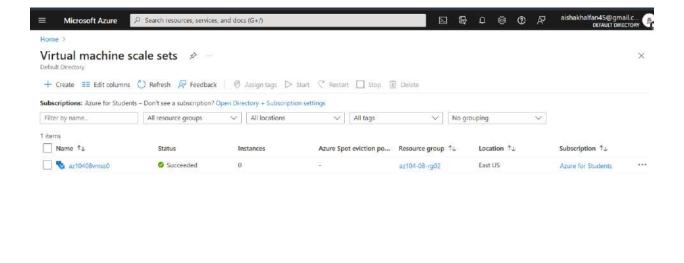
**Note**: Verify that the browser page displays the name of one of the instances of the Azure virtual machine scale set **az10408vmss0**.



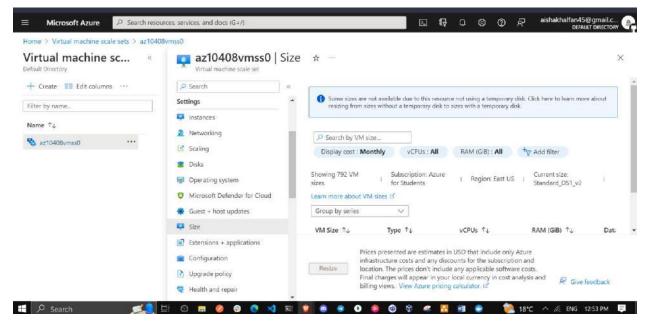
Task 7: Scale compute and storage for Azure virtual machine scale sets

In this task, you will change the size of virtual machine scale set instances, configure their autoscaling settings, and attach disks to them.

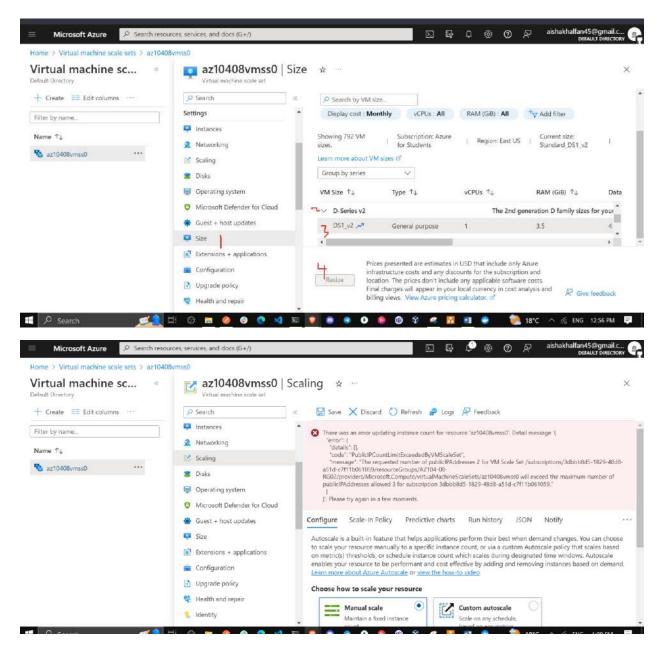
 In the Azure portal, search for and select Virtual machine scale sets and select the az10408vmss0 scale set



2. In the az10408vmss0 blade, in the Settings section, click Size.



3. In the list of available sizes, select **Standard DS1\_v2** and click **Resize**.



- 4. In the **Settings** section, click **Instances**, select the checkboxes next to the two instances of the virtual machine scale set, click **Upgrade**, and then, when prompted for confirmation, click **Yes**.
- 5. In the list of instances, click the entry representing the first instance and, on the scale set instance blade, note its **Location** (it should be one of the zones in the target Azure region into which you deployed the Azure virtual machine scale set).
- 6. Return to the az10408vmss0 Instances blade, click the entry representing the second instance and, on the scale set instance blade, note its **Location** (it should be one of the other two zones in the target Azure region into which you deployed the Azure virtual machine scale set).
- 7. Return to the az10408vmss0 Instances blade, and in the Settings section, click Scaling.

8. On the az10408vmss0 - Scaling blade, select the Custom autoscale option and configure autoscale with the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Scale mode	Scale based on a metric

9. Click the **+ Add a rule** link and, on the **Scale rule** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Metric source	Current resource (az10480vmss0)
Time aggregation	Average
Metric namespace	Virtual Machine Host
Metric name	Network In Total
Operator	Greater than
Metric threshold to trigger scale action	10
Duration (in minutes)	1
Time grain statistic	Average
Operation	Increase count by
Instance count	1
Cool down (minutes)	5

**Note**: Obviously these values do not represent a realistic configuration, since their purpose is to trigger autoscaling as soon as possible, without extended wait period.

10. Click **Add** and, back on the **az10408vmss0 - Scaling** blade, specify the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
Instance limits Minimum	1
Instance limits Maximum	3
Instance limits Default	1

- 11. Click Save.
- 12. In the Azure portal, open the **Azure Cloud Shell** by clicking on the icon in the top right of the Azure Portal.
- 13. If prompted to select either **Bash** or **PowerShell**, select **PowerShell**.
- 14. From the Cloud Shell pane, run the following to identify the public IP address of the load balancer in front of the Azure virtual machine scale set az10408vmss0.

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\$pip = (Get-AzPublicIpAddress -ResourceGroupName \$rgName -Name \$1
bpipName).IpAddress

15. From the Cloud Shell pane, run the following to start an infinite loop that sends the HTTP requests to the web sites hosted on the instances of Azure virtual machine scale set az10408vmss0.

```
while ($true) { Invoke-WebRequest -Uri "http://$pip" }
```

16. Minimize the Cloud Shell pane but do not close it, switch back to the az10408vmss0 - Instances blade and monitor the number of instances.

**Note**: You might need to wait a couple of minutes and click **Refresh**.

- 17. Once the third instance is provisioned, navigate to its blade to determine its **Location** (it should be different than the first two zones you identified earlier in this task.
- 18. Close Cloud Shell pane.
- 19. On the az10408vmss0 blade, in the Settings section, click Disks, click + Create and attach a new disk, and attach a new managed disk with the following settings (leave others with their default values):

Setting	Value
LUN	0
Storage type	Standard HDD
Size (GiB)	32

20. Save the change, in the **Settings** section of the **az10408vmss0** blade, click **Instances**, select the checkboxes next to the instances of the virtual machine scale set, click **Upgrade**, and then, when prompted for confirmation, click **Yes**.

**Note**: The disk attached in the previous step is a raw disk. Before it can be used, it is necessary to create a partition, create a filesystem, and mount it. To accomplish this, you will use Azure virtual machine Custom Script extension. First, you will need to remove the existing Custom Script Extension.

21. In the **Settings** section of the **az10408vmss0** blade, click **Extensions and applications**, click **CustomScriptExtension**, and then click **Uninstall**.

**Note**: Wait for uninstallation to complete.

- 22. In the Azure portal, open the **Azure Cloud Shell** by clicking on the icon in the top right of the Azure Portal.
- 23. If prompted to select either Bash or PowerShell, select PowerShell.
- 24. In the toolbar of the Cloud Shell pane, click the **Upload/Download files** icon, in the drop-down menu, click **Upload** and upload the file **\Allfiles\Labs\08\az104-08-configure\_VMSS\_disks.ps1** into the Cloud Shell home directory.

25. From the Cloud Shell pane, run the following to display the content of the script:

Set-Location -Path \$HOME

```
Get-Content -Path ./az104-08-configure VMSS disks.ps1
```

**Note**: The script installs a custom script extension that configures the attached disk.

26. From the Cloud Shell pane, run the following to execute the script and configure disks of Azure virtual machine scale set:

```
./az104-08-configure_VMSS_disks.ps1
```

- 27. Close the Cloud Shell pane.
- 28. In the **Settings** section of the **az10408vmss0** blade, click **Instances**, select the checkboxes next to the instances of the virtual machine scale set, click **Upgrade**, and then, when prompted for confirmation, click **Yes**.

## Clean up resources

**Note**: Remember to remove any newly created Azure resources that you no longer use. Removing unused resources ensures you will not see unexpected charges.

**Note**: Don't worry if the lab resources cannot be immediately removed. Sometimes resources have dependencies and take a longer time to delete. It is a common Administrator task to monitor resource usage, so just periodically review your resources in the Portal to see how the cleanup is going. 1. In the Azure portal, open the **PowerShell** session within the **Cloud Shell** pane.

1. Remove az104-08-configure VMSS disks.ps1 by running the following command:

```
rm ~\az104-08*
```

List all resource groups created throughout the labs of this module by running the following command:

```
Get-AzResourceGroup -Name 'az104-08*'
```

3. Delete all resource groups you created throughout the labs of this module by running the following command:

```
Get-AzResourceGroup -Name 'az104-08*' | Remove-AzResourceGroup -Force -AsJob
```

**Note**: The command executes asynchronously (as determined by the -AsJob parameter), so while you will be able to run another PowerShell command immediately afterwards within the same PowerShell session, it will take a few minutes before the resource groups are actually removed.

#### Review

#### In this lab, you have:

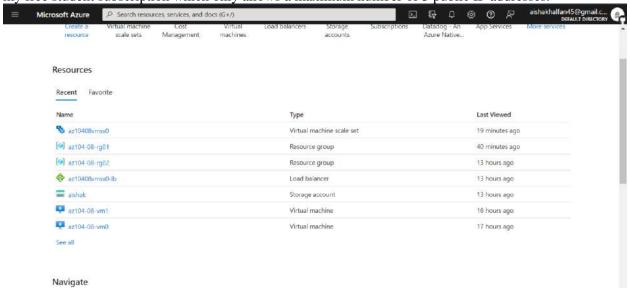
- Deployed zone-resilient Azure virtual machines by using the Azure portal and an Azure Resource Manager template
- Configured Azure virtual machines by using virtual machine extensions
- Scaled compute and storage for Azure virtual machines
- Deployed zone-reslient Azure virtual machine scale sets by using the Azure portal
- Configured Azure virtual machine scale sets by using virtual machine extensions
- Scaled compute and storage for Azure virtual machine scale sets

## Conclusion

### Failed to update resource 'az10408vmss0'

There was an error updating instance count for resource 'az10408vmss0'. Detail message '{ "error": { "details": [], "code": "PublicIPCountLimitExceededByVMScaleSet", "message": "The requested number of publicIPAddresses 2 for VM Scale Set /subscriptions/3dbbb8d5-1829-48d8-a51d-c7f11b061059/resourceGroups/AZ104-08-

RG02/providers/Microsoft.Compute/virtualMachineScaleSets/az10408vmss0 will exceed the maximum number of publicIPAddresses allowed 3 for subscription 3dbbb8d5-1829-48d8-a51d-c7f11b061059." } }', Please try again in a few moments. This error really prevented me from tackling fully task 7. This is due to my free student subscription which only allows a maximum number of 3 public IP addresses.



This report highlights the deployment and management of zone-resilient Azure virtual machines and scale sets. Using the Azure portal and Resource Manager templates, we achieved fault tolerance across multiple availability zones. Virtual machine extensions were employed for efficient configuration, ensuring a customized and easily maintainable environment. The report also emphasizes the scalability of compute

and storage resources, enabling dynamic adaptation to varying workloads. Overall, these implementations align with best practices, establishing a resilient, high-performance cloud infrastructure		