Lab 5: Azure Application Gateway

Objective

- 1. Provision an Application Gateway
- 2. Add Custom domain and secure communication.
- 3. Adding redirection for HTTP to HTTPS

Note:

- 1. All the steps are to be done within Azure Portal.
- 2. There will be breakout rooms assigned and each room will have a group number [1-5]
- 3. Login into Azure Portal
 - a. Go to https://portal.azure.com
 - b. Login with the supplied credentials (username and password).
 - i. Each group has a unique integer for their login [1-5] eg. usergroup[1-5]
 - ii. For example, group number 5 will have
 - 1. Username: usergroup5@makecloudwork.com
 - 2. Password: will be provided during the class.
 - c. You will then see the landing Azure homepage. Dismiss any popups/message boxes

It's important that you enter all the resource names same as mentioned.

Section 1: Provision an Application Gateway

Steps

- 1. Type "Application gateways" on the search bar and select "Application gateways" from the drop down. You will be redirected to "Application gateways" under "Load Balancing Services".
- 2. Click on "+Create" button
- 3. Basics Tab
 - a. Select the resource group from the dropdown.
 - b. Give name to Application Gateway as "appgatewaysb"+"group number" add your group number as suffix e.g. if your group number is 4, name the resource as "appgatewaysb4"
 - c. Region: Choose (US) East US
 - d. Tier: Choose "Standard V2"
 - e. Enable autoscaling: Select "Yes"
 - f. Minimum instance count: Enter "0"

- g. Maximum instance count: Enter "5"
- h. Availability Zone: Select "None"
- i. HTTP2: Choose "Disabled"
- j. Virtual Network: Select the existing one. You will receive an error on the subnet. Click on "Manage subnet configuration". Virtual Network blade will open.
 - i. Click on "+Subnet"
 - 1. Name: "appgatewaysubnet"
 - 2. Subnet address range: Select the default range given
 - 3. Accept all the other defaults and click on "Save"
 - ii. Click on "Create application gateway" link on top right to go back to continue to create Application gateway.
- k. Once back in the basics tab, choose the new subnet from the dropdown.
- I. Click on "Next: Frontends"

4. Frontends Tab

- a. Frontend IP address type: select "Public"
- b. Public IP address: Click on "Add new"
 - i. Name: Give name to Public IP as "appgatewaypipsb"+"group number" add your group number as suffix e.g. if your group number is 4, name the resource as "appgatewaypipsb4"
- c. Leave the defaults and click on "Next: Backends".

5. Backends Tab

a. Click on "Add a backend pool"

We will add the Virtual machine with the web app (Lab1) to the backend pool.

- i. Name: Enter "be_vmpool"
- b. Target Type: Select "Virtual Machine"
- c. Target: Select the VM shown.
- d. Click on "Add"
- e. Click on "Next: Configuration"

6. Configuration Tab

- a. Click on "Add a routing rule"
 - i. Rule name: Enter "rule_http_vm"
 - ii. Priority: "100"
 - iii. Listener
 - Listener name: "listen_http_vm"
 - 2. Frontend IP: Select "Public"
 - 3. Protocol: Select "HTTP"
 - 4. Port: "80"
 - 5. Listener type: Select "Basic"
 - iv. Backend targets
 - Target type: Select "Backend pool"
 - 2. Backend target: Select "be_vmpool" from the drop down.
 - 3. Backend settings: Click on "Add new"
 - a. Backend settings name: Enter "be_setting_http_vm"
 - b. Backend protocol: Select "HTTP"

- c. Backend port: Enter "80"
- d. Don't change the other defaults and click on "Add"
- v. Click on "Add"
- b. Click on "Next: Tags"
- 7. Tags Tab
 - a. Click on "Next: Review + create"
- 8. Review+Create Tab
 - a. Let the validation run and pass.
 - b. Click on "Create" and wait for the deployment to complete
 - c. Click on **"Go to resource"**. This will take you to the overview page of the newly created Application Gateway

Observations

1. Copy the public IP of Application Gateway and paste it in a browser. You should see the nginx homepage on HTTP.

Section 2: Add Custom Domain and secure communications

Steps

- 1. Login into Azure Portal
- 2. Type "Application gateways" on the search bar and select "Application gateways" from the drop down. You will be redirected to "Application gateways" page.
- 3. Go to the newly create Application gateway.
- 4. Share the name of the Application Gateway along with its public IP in chat for me to complete the DNS entry.
- 5. Once that is completed, you may call the Application gateway on http://appgatewaysb[1-5].makecloudwork.com. You should see the nginx homepage.
- 6. The next step is to upload the certificate.
- 7. Click on **Listeners** under Settings
 - a. Change SSL Policy
 - i. Selected SSL Policy: Click on "change"
 - 1. Select "Custom". Ensure that Min protocol version is "TLSv1_2"
 - 2. Click on "Save"
 - b. Click on "+ Add listener"
 - i. Listener
 - 1. Listener name: "listen_https_vm"
 - 2. Frontend IP: Select "Public"
 - 3. Protocol: Select "HTTPS"
 - 4. Port: "443"
 - 5. Https Settings
 - a. Upload a certificate
 - b. Cert name: Enter "appgatewaycert"

- From the Github repo, download the cert file from App Gateway
 Certs folder with the name as application gateway with your group number and upload it on Azure portal.
- d. Github Repo: https://github.com/AshMinDI/SecureAzureApps
- e. Password: Enter "Welcome123"
- 6. Click on "Add"
- 8. Click on Rules under Settings
 - a. Click on "rule_http_vm" and change the listener from "listen_http_vm" to "listen https vm"
 - b. Click on "Save"
- 9. Once that is completed, you may call the Application gateway on https://appgatewaysb[1-5].makecloudwork.com. You should see the secured nginx homepage.

Observations

- 1. Discuss why did we had to change the listener for that Rule.
- 2. Can you still reach the nginx homepage by calling the http for application gateway
- 3. Is the end-to-end communication secure?

Section 3: Adding redirection for HTTP to HTTPS

Steps

- 1. Within the Application Gateway, click on Rules under Settings
 - a. Click on "rule_http_vm"
 - i. Change the listener back from "listen_https_vm" to "listen_http_vm"
 - b. Click on "Backend targets"
 - i. Target Type: Select "Redirection"
 - ii. Redirection type: Select "Permanent"
 - iii. Redirection target: Select "listener"
 - iv. Target listener: Select "listen_https_vm"
 - c. Click on "Save"
- 2. Within the Application Gateway, click on Rules under Settings
- 3. Click on "+ Routing rule"
 - a. Rule name: Enter "rule_https_vm"
 - b. Priority: "101"
 - i. Listener
 - 1. Select "listen_https_vm" from the drop down.
 - ii. Backend targets
 - 1. Target type: Select "Backend pool"
 - 2. Backend target: Select "be_vmpool" from the drop down.
 - 3. Backend settings: Select "be_setting_http_vm"

c. Click on "Add"

Observations

1. Once that is completed, you may call the Application gateway on http://appgatewaysb[1-5].makecloudwork.com and should be redirected to https. You should see the secured nginx homepage.

End of Lab.