



DEPI AWS Graduation Project

Project 9 & 10 & 11

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3 DOCUMENT OVERVIEW

This document is created by group 1 of AWS cloud solution admin and architect track as graduation project document to give an overview of project 9, 10 and 11.

Project 9 will give more details about how to create Amazon virtual private cloud with private and public subnet with internet gateway and route table, also create EC2 and access it from public subnet.

Project 10 will give more details about how to create VPC peering between two VPCs with route tables configurations and also enable VPC flow logs to monitor network traffic.

Project 11 will give more details about how to create Amazon Cognito user pool and manage users with Amazon Cognito identity pool configuration for authentication to secure application using it.

3.1 Project Scope

Project Number	Project Name	Description
Project 9	Creating an Amazon virtual private cloud (VPC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deploy a VPC.• Create public and private subnets.• Set up an internet gateway and attach it to the VPC.• Configure route tables for public internet access.• Launch an application server to validate the VPC setup.
Project 10	Creating VPC peering connection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create a VPC peering connection between two VPCs.• Configure route tables to utilize the VPC peering connection.• Enable VPC Flow Logs to monitor network traffic.• Test the VPC peering connection.• Analyze VPC flow logs for traffic insights.
Project 11	Securing applications using Amazon Cognito	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create an Amazon Cognito user pool and manage users.• Update a web application to use the user pool for authentication.• Configure an Amazon Cognito identity pool for authorization.• Update the application to use the identity pool for secure access to AWS services.

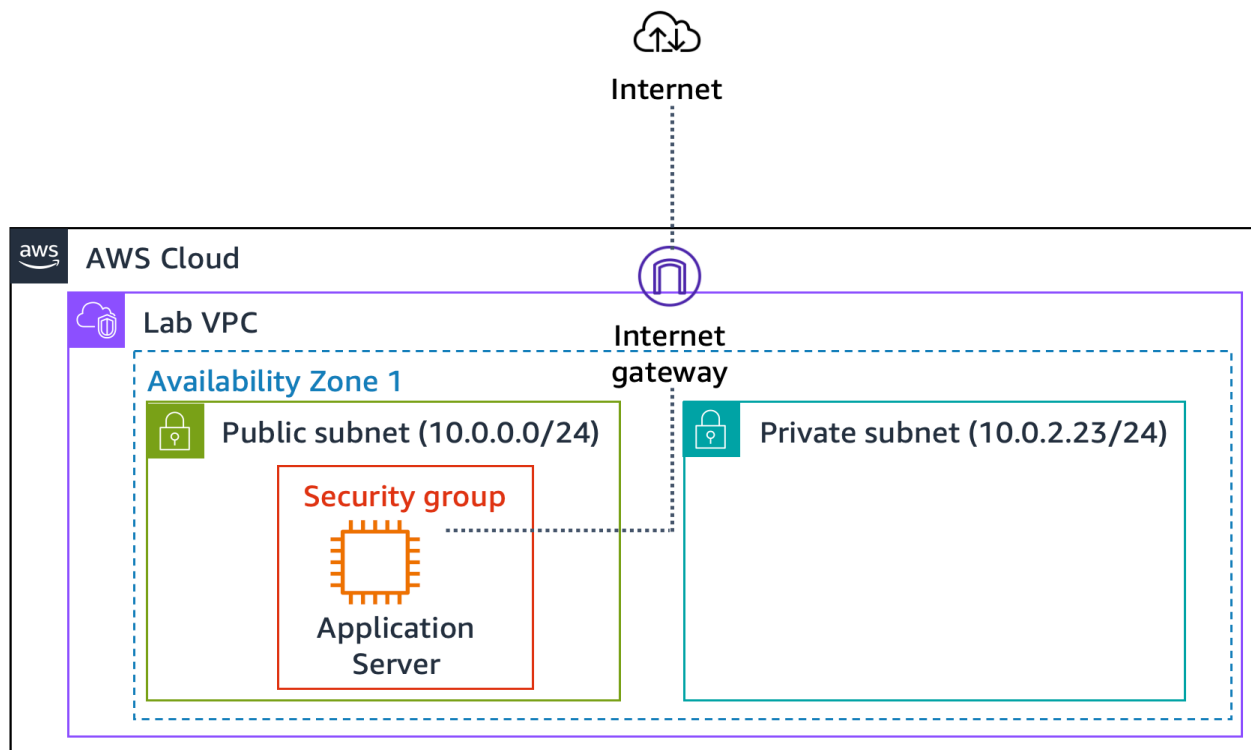
Table 1. Project Scope

4 PROJECT 9: CREATING AN AMAZON VIRTUAL PRIVATE CLOUD (VPC)

This project demonstrates how to create a Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) using Amazon VPC, enabling you to deploy a secure private network in AWS. You will learn to create a VPC, set up public and private subnets, attach an internet gateway, and launch an application server to test the VPC configuration.

Project Tasks:

- Deploy a VPC.
- Create public and private subnets.
- Set up an internet gateway and attach it to the VPC.
- Configure route tables for public internet access.
- Launch an application server to validate the VPC setup.



Task 1: Creating a VPC

A VPC is a virtual network that is dedicated to your Amazon Web Services (AWS) account. It is logically isolated from other virtual networks in the AWS Cloud. You can launch AWS resources, such as Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2) instances, into the VPC. You can configure the VPC by modifying its IP address range and create subnets. You can also configure route tables, network gateways, and security settings.

- Create a new VPC with the following settings:
- **Name Tag:** Lab VPC
- **IPv4 CIDR Block:** 10.0.0.0/16
- Enable DNS hostnames for the VPC to assign friendly DNS names to EC2 instances.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-vpc --cidr-block 10.0.0.0/16 --query Vpc.VpcId --output text
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --tags Key=Name,Value='Lab VPC'
```

```
aws ec2 modify-vpc-attribute --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --enable-dns-hostnames
```

The screenshot displays the AWS Management Console interface. On the left, the 'VPC dashboard' sidebar is visible, with 'Your VPCs' selected. The main content area shows a table of VPCs. The first VPC, 'Lab VPC', is highlighted. Below the table, the details for 'vpc-0121359c501a95dbf / Lab VPC' are shown, including its state (Available), DNS hostnames (Disabled), and DNS resolution (Enabled).

Name	VPC ID	State	IPv4 CIDR	IPv6 CIDR	DHCP opt
Lab VPC	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	Available	10.0.0.0/16	-	dopt-0c84
-	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	Available	172.31.0.0/16	-	dopt-0c84

vpc-0121359c501a95dbf / Lab VPC			
Details			
VPC ID	State	DNS hostnames	DNS resolution
vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	Available	Disabled	Enabled
Tenancy	DHCP option set	Main route table	Main network ACL
Default	dopt-0c844dbed96f86b93	rtb-09a19108f5f569a58	acl-033c6e47b79bd9a89
Default VPC	IPv4 CIDR	IPv6 pool	IPv6 CIDR (Network border group)

Edit VPC settings [Info](#)

VPC details

VPC ID
vpc-01597000b43e5a48a

Name
Lab VPC

DHCP settings

DHCP option set [Info](#)
dopt-0c32ae539849b964a

DNS settings

☒ Enable DNS resolution [Info](#)

☒ Enable DNS hostnames [Info](#)

Network Address Usage metrics settings

☐ Enable Network Address Usage metrics [Info](#)

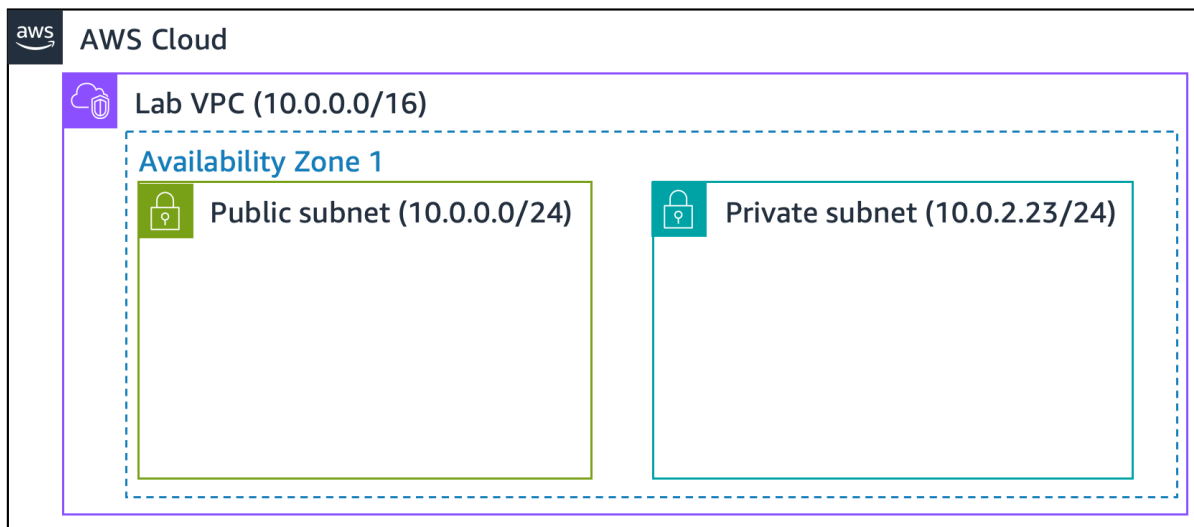
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Task 2: Creating Subnets

A subnet is a subrange of IP addresses in the VPC. AWS resources can be launched into a specified subnet. Use a public subnet for resources that must be connected to the internet, and use a private subnet for resources that must remain isolated from the internet.

In this task, you create a public subnet and a private subnet:



Task 2.1: Creating a Public Subnet

- Create a public subnet in the Lab VPC with the following settings:
- **Subnet Name:** Public Subnet
- **Availability Zone:** Choose the first Availability Zone.
- **IPv4 Subnet CIDR Block:** 10.0.0.0/24
- Enable auto-assign public IPv4 addresses for instances launched in this subnet.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-subnet --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --cidr-block 10.0.0.0/24 --availability-zone us-east-1a --query Subnet.SubnetId --output text
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources subnet-0082865de9d758b97 --tags Key=Name,Value='Public Subnet'
```

```
aws ec2 modify-subnet-attribute --subnet-id subnet-0082865de9d758b97 --map-public-ip-on-launch
```

The screenshot displays the AWS Management Console interface. On the left, the 'VPC dashboard' sidebar is visible, with 'Subnets' selected under 'Virtual private cloud'. The main content area shows a list of subnets. The 'Public Subnet' is highlighted, showing its ID as 'subnet-0082865de9d758b97' and its CIDR block as '10.0.0.0/24'. Below the list, the 'Details' tab for this subnet is expanded, showing various attributes such as Subnet ID, Subnet ARN, State (Available), IPv4 CIDR, Availability Zone (us-east-1a), and Route table.

Name	Subnet ID	State	VPC	IPv4 CIDR
Public Subnet	subnet-0082865de9d758b97	Available	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab ...	10.0.0.0/24
-	subnet-0b0da045b48a19f26	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.48.0/20
-	subnet-0c67670f2e3bde6ac	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.64.0/20
-	subnet-0e09e429778baee30	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.80.0/20
-	subnet-07dc321791546423f	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.0.0/20
-	subnet-000c76d4efa278ad6	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.16.0/20
-	subnet-049eac5ef8a04c8a7	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.32.0/20
Private Subnet	subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8	Available	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab ...	10.0.2.0/23

subnet-0082865de9d758b97 / Public Subnet			
Details			
Subnet ID	Subnet ARN	State	IPv4 CIDR
subnet-0082865de9d758b97	arn:aws:ec2:us-east-1:363806038924:subnet/subnet-0082865de9d758b97	Available	10.0.0.0/24
Available IPv4 addresses	IPv6 CIDR	IPv6 CIDR association ID	Availability Zone
251	-	-	us-east-1a
Availability Zone ID		VPC	Route table
-			

Edit subnet settings [Info](#)

Subnet

Subnet ID	Name
subnet-0082865de9d758b97	Public Subnet

Auto-assign IP settings [Info](#)

Enable AWS to automatically assign a public IPv4 or IPv6 address to a new primary network interface for an instance in this subnet.

☒ Enable auto-assign public IPv4 address [Info](#)

☐ Enable auto-assign customer-owned IPv4 address [Info](#)
Option disabled because no customer owned pools found.

Resource-based name (RBN) settings [Info](#)

Specify the hostname type for EC2 instances in this subnet and optional RBN DNS query settings.

☐ Enable resource name DNS A record on launch [Info](#)

☐ Enable resource name DNS AAAA record on launch [Info](#)

Hostname type [Info](#)

☐ Resource name

☒ IP name

DNS64 settings

Task 2.2: Creating a Private Subnet

- Create a private subnet in the Lab VPC with the following settings:
- **Subnet Name:** Private Subnet
- **Availability Zone:** Choose the first Availability Zone.
- **IPv4 Subnet CIDR Block:** 10.0.2.0/23

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-subnet --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --cidr-block 10.0.2.0/23 --availability-zone us-east-1a --query Subnet.SubnetId --output text
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8 --tags Key=Name,Value='Private Subnet'
```

The screenshot shows the AWS VPC dashboard. On the left, there's a sidebar with navigation options like 'Virtual private cloud', 'Subnets', 'Route tables', etc. The main area displays a list of subnets. The 'Private Subnet' is selected, and its details are shown below. The details include Subnet ID, Subnet ARN, State (Available), IPv4 CIDR, Availability Zone, and Route table.

Name	Subnet ID	State	VPC	IPv4 CIDR
-	subnet-0b0da045b48a19f26	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.48.0/20
Public Subnet	subnet-0082865de9d758b97	Available	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab ...	10.0.0.0/24
-	subnet-0c676f0f2e3bde6ac	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.64.0/20
-	subnet-0e09e429778baec30	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.80.0/20
-	subnet-07dc321791546423f	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.0.0/20
-	subnet-000c76d4efa278ad6	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.16.0/20
-	subnet-049eac5ef8a04c8a7	Available	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	172.31.32.0/20
Private Subnet	subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8	Available	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab ...	10.0.2.0/23

subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8 / Private Subnet

Details

Subnet ID subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8	Subnet ARN arn:aws:ec2:us-east-1:363806038924:subnet/subnet-0d1f0972d947648c8	State Available	IPv4 CIDR 10.0.2.0/23
Available IPv4 addresses 507	IPv6 CIDR	IPv6 CIDR association ID	Availability Zone us-east-1a
Availability Zone ID	VPC		Route table

VPC now has two subnets. However, the public subnet is totally isolated and cannot communicate with resources outside the VPC. Next, you configure the public subnet to connect to the internet through an internet gateway.

Task 3: Creating an Internet Gateway

An internet gateway is a horizontally scaled, redundant, and highly available VPC component. It allows communication between the instances in a VPC and the internet. It imposes no availability risks or bandwidth constraints on network traffic.

An internet gateway serves two purposes:

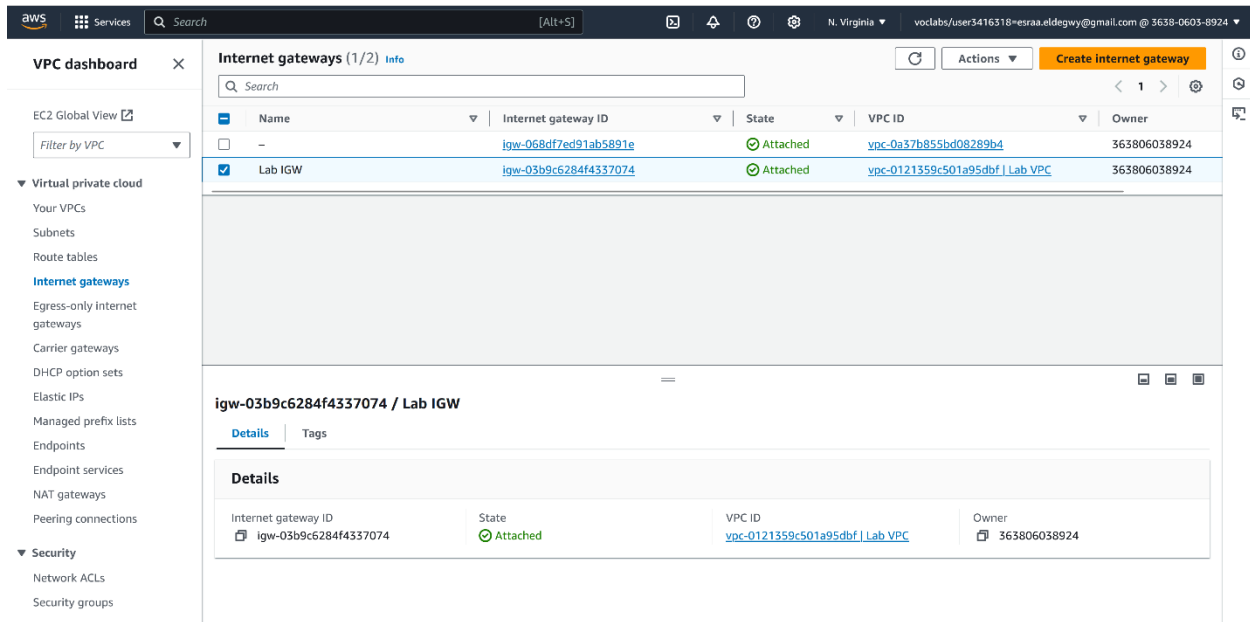
1. To provide a target in route tables that connects to the internet
2. To perform network address translation (NAT) for instances that were assigned public IPv4 addresses

In this task we will do the following:

- Create an internet gateway named Lab IGW.
- Attach the internet gateway to the Lab VPC.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-internet-gateway --query InternetGateway.InternetGatewayId --output text
aws ec2 create-tags --resources igw-03b9c6284f4337074 --tags Key=Name,Value='Lab IGW'
aws ec2 attach-internet-gateway --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --internet-gateway-id igw-03b9c6284f4337074
```



Task 4: Configuring Route Tables

A route table contains a set of rules, called routes, that are used to determine where network traffic is directed. Each subnet in a VPC must be associated with a route table because the table controls the routing for the subnet. A subnet can be associated with only one route table at a time, but you can associate multiple subnets with the same route table.

To use an internet gateway, a subnet's route table must contain a route that directs internet-bound traffic to the internet gateway. If a subnet is associated with a route table that has a route to an internet gateway, it is known as a public subnet.

In this task, you do the following:

- Create a public route table for internet-bound traffic.
- Add a route to the route table to direct internet-bound traffic to the internet gateway.
- Associate the public subnet with the new route table.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources rtb-09a19108f5f569a58 --tags Key=Name,Value='Private Route Table'
```

```
aws ec2 create-route-table --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf --query RouteTable.RouteTableId -
-output text
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9 --tags Key=Name,Value='Public Route
Table'
```

```
aws ec2 create-route --route-table-id rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9 --destination-cidr-block 0.0.0.0/0
--gateway-id igw-03b9c6284f4337074
```

aws ec2 associate-route-table --route-table-id rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9 --subnet-id subnet-0082865de9d758b97

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Route tables (1/2) Info

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Route table ID	Explicit sub...	Edge...	Main	VPC	Own
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Private Route Table	rtb-09a19108f5f569a58	-	-	Yes	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab VPC	3638
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	rtb-001d93cf27ecc1582	-	-	Yes	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	3638

rtb-09a19108f5f569a58 / Private Route Table

Details Routes Subnet associations Edge associations Route propagation Tags

Details

Route table ID rtb-09a19108f5f569a58	Main Yes	Explicit subnet associations -	Edge associations -
VPC vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab VPC	Owner ID 363806038924		

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Route tables (1/3) Info

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Actions ▾ Create route table

Find resources by attribute or tag

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Route table ID	Explicit sub...	Edge...	Main	VPC	Own
<input type="checkbox"/>	Private Route Table	rtb-09a19108f5f569a58	-	-	Yes	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab VPC	3638
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Route Table	rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9	-	-	No	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab VPC	3638
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	rtb-001d93cf27ecc1582	-	-	Yes	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	3638

rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9 / Public Route Table

Details Routes Subnet associations Edge associations Route propagation Tags

Details

Route table ID rtb-0e096b4161659f8a9	Main No	Explicit subnet associations -	Edge associations -
VPC vpc-0121359c501a95dbf Lab VPC	Owner ID 363806038924		

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Task 5: Creating a Security Group for the Application Server

A *security group* acts as a virtual firewall for instances to control inbound and outbound traffic. Security groups operate at the level of the elastic network interface for the instance. Security groups do not operate at the subnet level. Thus, each instance can have its own firewall that controls traffic. If you do not specify a particular security group at launch time, the instance is automatically assigned to the default security group for the VPC.

In this task, you create a security group that gives users the ability to access your application server through HTTP.

- Create a security group named App-SG to allow HTTP traffic:
- **Inbound Rule:** Allow HTTP (port 80) from Anywhere (0.0.0.0/0).
- This security group will be used by the application server launched in the public subnet.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-security-group --group-name App-SG --description "Allow HTTP Traffic" --vpc-id vpc-0121359c501a95dbf
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources sg-060449b09d68253f1 --tags Key=Name,Value='App-SG'
```

```
aws ec2 authorize-security-group-ingress --group-id sg-060449b09d68253f1 --ip-permissions 'IpProtocol=tcp,FromPort=80,ToPort=80,IpRanges=[{CidrIp=0.0.0.0/0,Description="Allow Web Access"}]'
```

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface. On the left is a navigation menu with categories like 'Virtual private cloud' and 'Security'. The main area is titled 'Security Groups (1/3) Info'. It contains a table with columns: Name, Security group ID, Security group name, VPC ID, and Description. The table lists three security groups: 'default' (sg-0138dd35f812dfbba), 'App-SG' (sg-060449b09d68253f1), and another 'default' (sg-095b10a9036e0fc35). The 'App-SG' group is selected with a checkmark. Below the table, the details for 'sg-060449b09d68253f1 - App-SG' are shown. The 'Details' tab is active, displaying fields for Security group name (App-SG), Security group ID (sg-060449b09d68253f1), Description (Allow HTTP Traffic), VPC ID (vpc-0121359c501a95dbf), Owner (363806038924), Inbound rules count (0 Permission entries), and Outbound rules count (1 Permission entry).

Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description
-	sg-0138dd35f812dfbba	default	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	default VPC security group
App-SG	sg-060449b09d68253f1	App-SG	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	Allow HTTP Traffic
-	sg-095b10a9036e0fc35	default	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	default VPC security group

sg-060449b09d68253f1 - App-SG

Details

Security group name	Security group ID	Description	VPC ID
App-SG	sg-060449b09d68253f1	Allow HTTP Traffic	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf
Owner	Inbound rules count	Outbound rules count	
363806038924	0 Permission entries	1 Permission entry	

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Export security groups to CSV

Create security group

	Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-0138dd35f812dfbba	default	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	default VPC security group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	App-SG	sg-060449b09d68253f1	App-SG	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	Allow HTTP Traffic
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-095b10a9036e0fc35	default	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	default VPC security group

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Inbound rules (1)

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Find resources by attribute or tag

	Name	Security group rule ID	IP version	Type	Protocol	Port range
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-r-05bb5c226e47731...	IPv4	HTTP	TCP	80

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Export security groups to CSV

Create security group

	Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-0138dd35f812dfbba	default	vpc-0a37b855bd08289b4	default VPC security group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	App-SG	sg-060449b09d68253f1	App-SG	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	Allow HTTP Traffic
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-095b10a9036e0fc35	default	vpc-0121359c501a95dbf	default VPC security group

Details

Inbound rules

Outbound rules

Tags

Inbound rules (1)

Manage tags

Edit inbound rules

Find resources by attribute or tag

	IP version	Type	Protocol	Port range	Source	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	IPv4	HTTP	TCP	80	0.0.0.0/0	Allow Web Access

Task 6: Launching an Application Server in the Public Subnet

To test that your VPC is correctly configured, you now launch an EC2 instance into the public subnet. You also confirm that you can access the EC2 instance from the internet.

- Launch an EC2 instance (App Server) into the public subnet using the following settings:
- **Instance Type:** t2.micro
- **Subnet:** Public Subnet
- **Security Group:** App-SG
- **User Data:** Use the provided script to install and configure the web application.
- Validate the setup by accessing the instance's public IPv4 DNS in a web browser. Ensure the Inventory application loads successfully, indicating the correct VPC configuration.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 run-instances --image-id ami-0fff1b9a61dec8a5f --count 1 --instance-type t2.micro --key-name vockey --subnet-id subnet-0082865de9d758b97 --security-group-ids sg-060449b09d68253f1 --iam-instance-profile Name=Inventory-App-Role --user-data file:C:\Users\esraae\my_script.txt
```

```
aws ec2 create-tags --resources i-0f657f3b115346b00 --tags Key=Name,Value='App Server'
```

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface. On the left, there's a navigation menu with categories like 'Instances', 'Images', 'Elastic Block Store', and 'Network & Security'. The main area is titled 'Instances (1/1) Info'. It shows a table with one instance: 'App Server' with ID 'i-046972dd96174427c', state 'Running', type 't2.micro', and public IPv4 address 'ec2-184-73-54-149'. Below the table, there's a detailed view for the selected instance, showing its 'Instance summary' with fields like 'Instance ID', 'Public IPv4 address', 'Private IPv4 addresses', 'Instance state', 'Public IPv4 DNS', 'Private IP DNS name', and 'Hostname type'.

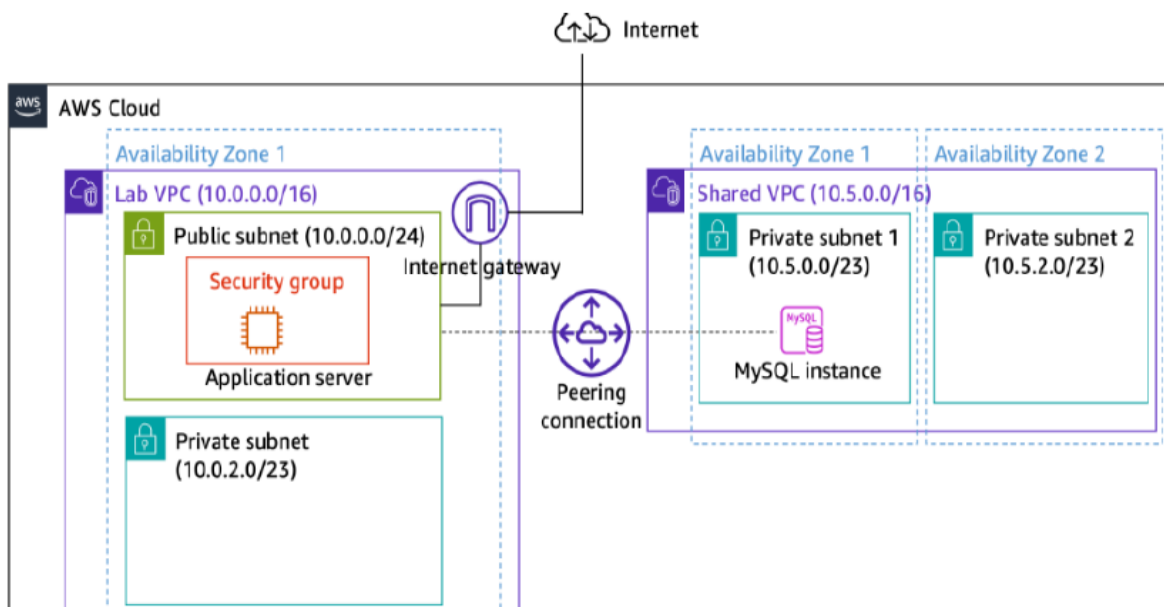
The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the AWS logo, 'Services' link, and a search bar. Below this is a left-hand navigation menu with categories like 'EC2 Dashboard', 'Instances', 'Images', 'Elastic Block Store', and 'Network & Security'. The main content area is titled 'Instances (1/1) Info'. It features a search bar, a 'Launch instances' button, and a table of instances. One instance, 'i-046972dd96174427c', is listed with a status of 'Running'. Below the table, the 'Instance summary' for the selected instance is shown, including details like 'Public IPv4 address', 'Private IP address', and 'Hostname type'. A tooltip is visible over the 'Public IPv4 address' field, indicating that the address has been copied.

5 PROJECT 10: CREATING A VPC PEERING CONNECTION

This project demonstrates how to create a private VPC peering connection between two VPCs. VPC peering allows secure and private communication between resources in different VPCs. By the end of this project, you will have established a peering connection, configured routing, enabled flow logs, and tested the connection.

Project Tasks:

- Create a VPC peering connection between two VPCs.
- Configure route tables to utilize the VPC peering connection.
- Enable VPC Flow Logs to monitor network traffic.
- Test the VPC peering connection.
- Analyze VPC flow logs for traffic insights.



Task 1: Creating a VPC Peering Connection

A VPC peering connection is a networking connection between two VPCs that enables you to route traffic between them using private IPv4 addresses or IPv6 addresses. Instances in either VPC can communicate with each other as if they are within the same network. You can create a VPC peering connection between your own VPCs, or with a VPC in another AWS account. The VPCs can be in different Regions (also known as an inter-Region VPC peering connection).

Create a new VPC peering connection with the following settings:

- **Name:** Lab-Peer
- **Requester VPC:** Lab VPC
- **Accepter VPC:** Shared VPC
- After creating the peering connection, accept the request to establish the connection.

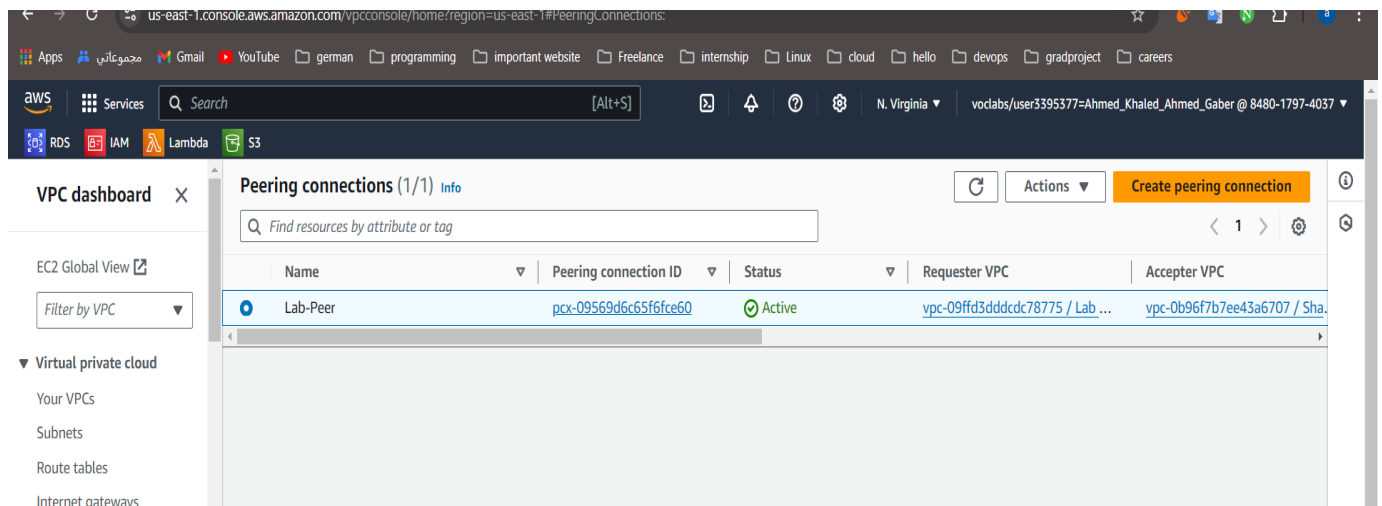
Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-vpc-peering-connection \
  --vpc-id vpc-09ffd3dddc78775 \
  --peer-vpc-id vpc-0b96f7b7ee43a6707 \
  --tag-specifications 'ResourceType=vpc-peering-connection,Tags=[{Key=Name,Value=Lab-Peer}]'
```

```
aws ec2 accept-vpc-peering-connection \
  --vpc-peering-connection-id pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60
```

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, a search bar, and various service icons (RDS, IAM, Lambda, S3). The main content area is titled 'VPC dashboard' and displays 'Peering connections (1)'. A table lists the peering connections with columns for Name, Peering connection ID, Status, Requester VPC, and Acceptor VPC. One connection is listed: 'Lab-Peer' with ID 'pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60' and status 'Pending acceptance'. The console also shows a 'Create peering connection' button and a search bar for finding resources by attribute or tag.

Name	Peering connection ID	Status	Requester VPC	Acceptor VPC
Lab-Peer	pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60	Pending acceptance	vpc-09ffd3dddc78775 / Lab ...	vpc-0b96f7b7ee43a6707 / Sha.



Task 2: Configuring Route Tables

Update the route tables of both VPCs to route traffic through the peering connection:

- For **Lab VPC**: Add a route that directs traffic destined for 10.5.0.0/16 (Shared VPC's CIDR block) to the Lab-Peer peering connection.
- For **Shared VPC**: Add a route that directs traffic destined for 10.0.0.0/16 (Lab VPC's CIDR block) to the Lab-Peer peering connection.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-route \
  --route-table-id rtb-048fbb68f0289207e \
  --destination-cidr-block 10.5.0.0/16 \
  --vpc-peering-connection-id pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60
```

```
aws ec2 create-route \
  --route-table-id rtb-03a8a34851c54b5f5 \
  --destination-cidr-block 10.0.0.0/16 \
  --vpc-peering-connection-id pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60
```

rtb-048fbb68f0289207e / Lab Public Route Table

Actions ▾

Details Info

Route table ID rtb-048fbb68f0289207e	Main No	Explicit subnet associations subnet-02a526112f55e755d / Lab Public Subnet	Edge associations –
VPC vpc-09ffd3dddc78775 Lab VPC	Owner ID 848017974037		

[Routes](#) | [Subnet associations](#) | [Edge associations](#) | [Route propagation](#) | [Tags](#)

Routes (3)

Both ▾

Edit routes

Filter routes

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Destination ▾	Target ▾	Status ▾	Propagated ▾
0.0.0.0/0	igw-0051fc7d53867eac3	Active	No
10.0.0.0/16	local	Active	No
10.5.0.0/16	pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60	Active	No

rtb-03a8a34851c54b5f5 / Shared-VPC Route Table

Actions ▾

Details Info

Route table ID rtb-03a8a34851c54b5f5	Main No	Explicit subnet associations 2 subnets	Edge associations –
VPC vpc-0b96f7b7ee43a6707 Shared VPC	Owner ID 848017974037		

[Routes](#) | [Subnet associations](#) | [Edge associations](#) | [Route propagation](#) | [Tags](#)

Routes (2)

Both ▾

Edit routes

Filter routes

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Destination ▾	Target ▾	Status ▾	Propagated ▾
10.0.0.0/16	pcx-09569d6c65f6fce60	Active	No
10.5.0.0/16	local	Active	No

Task 3: Enabling VPC Flow Logs

Enable VPC Flow Logs to monitor traffic moving across the peered VPCs:

Navigate to **Shared VPC**, select **Flow Logs**, and create a flow log with the following settings:

- **Name:** SharedVPCLogs
- **Destination:** Send to CloudWatch Logs
- **Log Group:** ShareVPCFlowLogs
- **IAM Role:** vpc-flow-logs-Role

Commands used on AWS CLI:

```
aws ec2 create-flow-logs \  
  --resource-type VPC \  
  --resource-id vpc-0b96f7b7ee43a6707\  
  --traffic-type ALL \  
  --log-destination-type cloud-watch-logs \  
  --log-group-name ShareVPCFlowLogs \  
  --deliver-logs-permission-arn arn:aws:iam::848017974037:role/Vpc-flow-logs-Role\  
  --max-aggregation-interval 60 \  

```

```
aws ec2 create-tags \  
  --resources fl-03a720d4d9c45bf55\  
  --tags Key=Name,Value=SharedVPCLogs
```

Resource map

CIDRs

Flow logs

Tags

Integrations

Flow logs (1) Info

↻

Actions ▼

Create flow log

Q Search

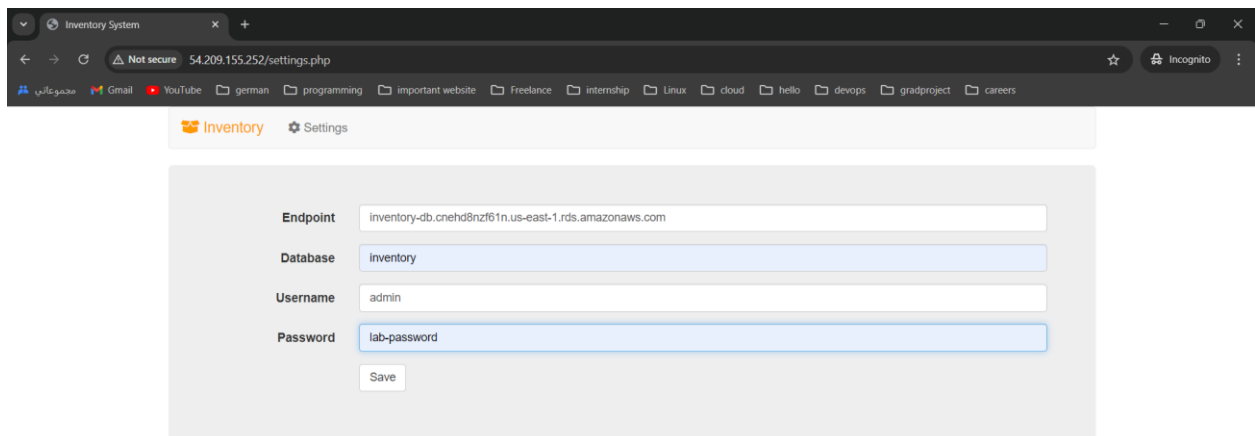
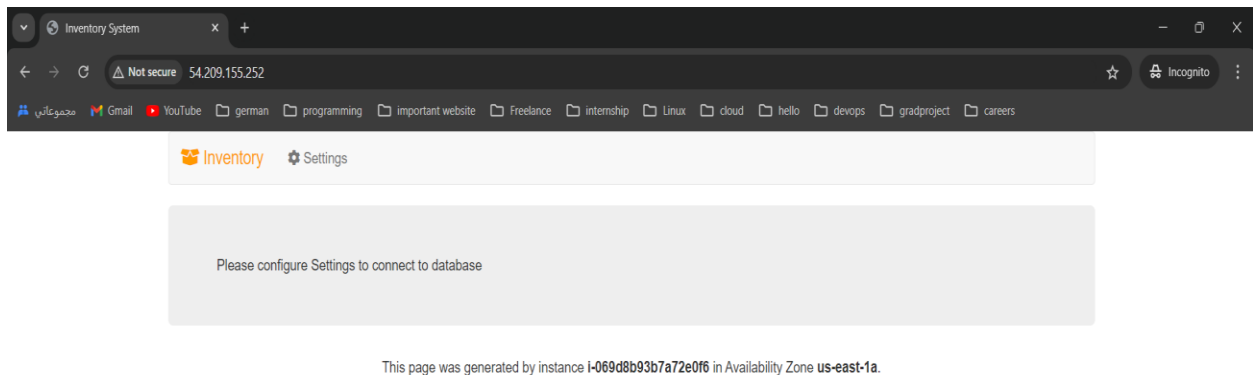
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ▼	Flow log ID ▼	Filter ▼	Destination type ▼	Destination name
<input type="checkbox"/>	SharedVPCLogs	fl-03a720d4d9c45bf55	ALL	cloud-watch-logs	ShareVPCFlowLogs

Task 4: Testing the VPC Peering Connection

- Test the VPC peering connection by configuring the inventory application to connect to the database in the Shared VPC.
- Access the application using the public IP of the EC2 instance in Lab VPC, then input the database connection details (endpoint, database name, username, and password).
- Verify that the application successfully connects to the database, indicating that the peering connection is functioning correctly.

Connected through the public ip of ec2



Task 5: Analyzing the VPC Flow Logs

- Analyze the flow logs in CloudWatch to observe traffic patterns between the application and database.
- Look for log entries with port 3306, representing traffic between the application server and the database.

Commands used on AWS CLI:

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```
[root@localhost ~]# aws logs describe-log-streams \
--log-group-name ShareVPCFlowLogs \
--log-stream-name-prefix eni- \
--limit 5
{
  "logStreams": [
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "creationTime": 1728048590520,
      "firstEventTimestamp": 1728048483000,
      "lastEventTimestamp": 1728051963000,
      "lastIngestionTime": 1728052012789,
      "uploadSequenceToken": "49039859604683557039079404628402201992274670859179886990",
      "arn": "arn:aws:logs:us-east-1:848017974037:log-group:ShareVPCFlowLogs:log-stream:eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "storedBytes": 0
    }
  ]
}
```

Filtered logs on the accepted entries on port 3306 ,it represents traffic

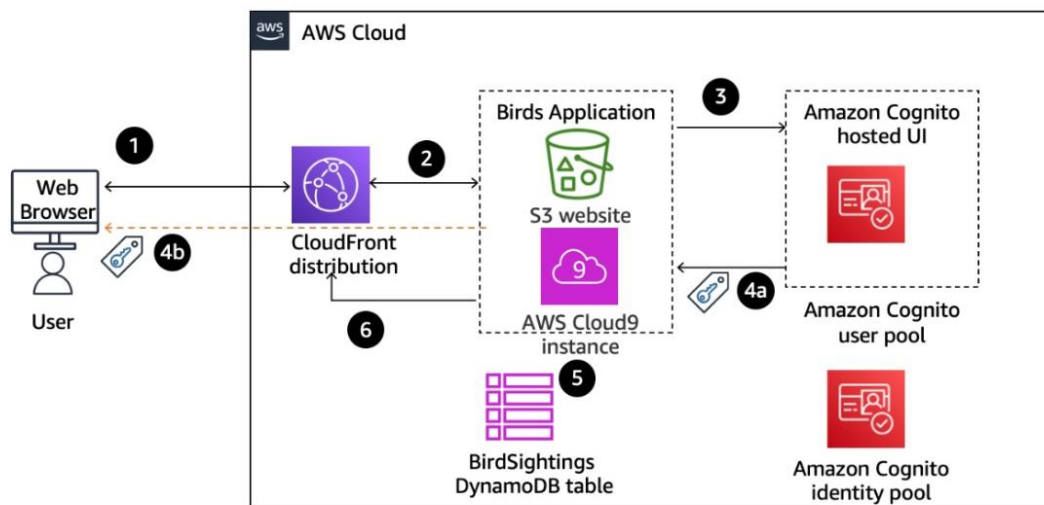
```
[root@localhost ~]# aws logs filter-log-events \
--log-group-name ShareVPCFlowLogs \
--log-stream-names eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all \
--filter-pattern "ACCEPT"
{
  "events": [
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "timestamp": 1728051904000,
      "message": "2 848017974037 eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07 10.0.0.13 10.5.3.146 55642 3306 6 9 1035 1728051904 1728051904 ACCEPT OK",
      "ingestionTime": 1728051955519,
      "eventId": "38536845200939701324126346071720121941781033480796176384"
    },
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "timestamp": 1728051904000,
      "message": "2 848017974037 eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07 10.5.3.146 10.0.0.13 3306 55642 6 9 640 1728051904 1728051904 ACCEPT OK",
      "ingestionTime": 1728051955519,
      "eventId": "38536845200939701324126346071720121941781033480796176385"
    },
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "timestamp": 1728051956000,
      "message": "2 848017974037 eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07 10.0.0.13 10.5.3.146 55646 3306 6 9 713 1728051956 1728051959 ACCEPT OK",
      "ingestionTime": 1728051982262,
      "eventId": "38536846360578451647718749463907898308823068534290382848"
    },
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "timestamp": 1728051956000,
      "message": "2 848017974037 eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07 10.5.3.146 10.0.0.13 3306 55646 6 7 830 1728051956 1728051959 ACCEPT OK",
      "ingestionTime": 1728051982262,
      "eventId": "38536846360578451647718749463907898308823068534290382849"
    },
    {
      "logStreamName": "eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07-all",
      "timestamp": 1728051956000,
      "message": "2 848017974037 eni-088ea5d11cf1e4c07 10.0.0.13 10.5.3.146 55636 3306 6 9 669 1728051956 1728051959 ACCEPT OK",
      "ingestionTime": 1728051982262,
      "eventId": "38536846360578451647718749463907898308823068534290382850"
    }
  ]
}
```

6 PROJECT 11: SECURING APPLICATIONS USING AMAZON COGNITO

This project will guide you through securing a web application using Amazon Cognito for authentication and authorization. You will configure Amazon Cognito user and identity pools to manage user access and secure API calls to AWS services like Amazon DynamoDB.

Project Tasks:

- Create an Amazon Cognito user pool and manage users.
- Update a web application to use the user pool for authentication.
- Configure an Amazon Cognito identity pool for authorization.
- Update the application to use the identity pool for secure access to AWS services.



Task 1: Preparing the Lab Environment

- Download and set up the Birds web application in AWS Cloud9 using the provided setup script.
- Note down key information like the S3 bucket name and CloudFront distribution domain for later use.

Notes:

- S3 bucket: c132429a3358550l7868655t1w838031074636-s3bucket-kyrcrcexbbuu
- CloudFront distribution domain: d8elk35v953vc.cloudfront.net
- User pool ID: us-east-1_q5bQkndNw
- App client ID: 73a96gujc3bhcnv8a5r9t835b
- Amazon Cognito domain prefix: https://nada.auth.us-east-1.amazoncognito.com
- Identity pool ID: us-east-1:f3b16a03-7439-43e1-a64f-bc4d860bb3cb

Run the following commands to retrieve the code and install the Birds application that you use in this project.

From this output, copy and paste the following values into your text file. You need these values in later steps:

- Record the S3 bucket name. The value is similar to the following: **c1234567890abcdefghi-s3bucket-123456abcd3**
- Record the CloudFront distribution domain name. The value is similar to the following: **d123456acbdef.cloudfront.net**

In the AWS Cloud 9 IDE, in the explorer window to the left of the terminal, expand the **website/scripts** folder.

Open the **config.js** file.

In the file, replace *<cloudfront-domain>* with the CloudFront distribution domain that you recorded into your text editor.

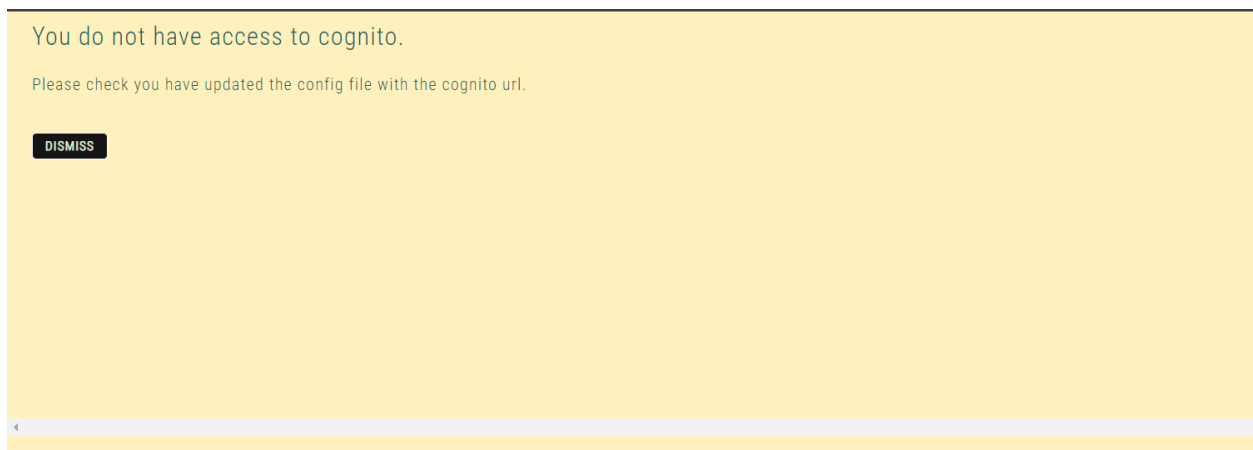
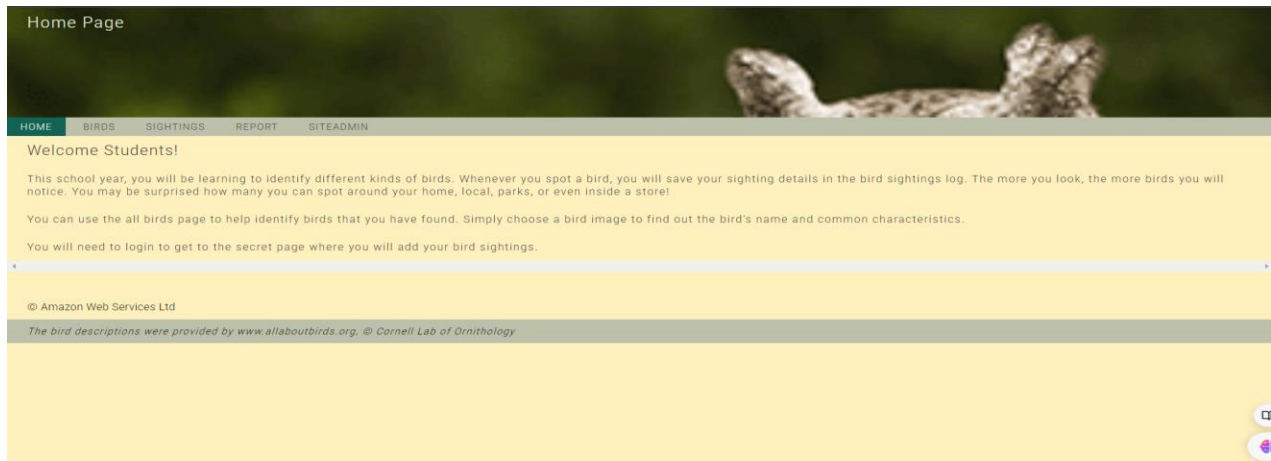
```
cd /home/ec2-user/environment
aws s3 cp website s3://c132429a3358550l7868655t1w838031074636-s3bucket-hlks4qa8sdvo/
--recursive --cache-control "max-age=0"
```

To start the node server, run the following commands:

```
cd /home/ec2-user/environment/node_server
npm start
```

Task 2: Reviewing the Birds Website

Explore the Birds web application to understand its structure and identify protected pages that will require authentication.



Note:

These pages with bird descriptions are not protected. Anyone can get to this content.

Choose **SIGHTINGS**.

Note: This page requires users to log in before they can see the content.

Task 3: Configuring the Amazon Cognito User Pool

Task 3.1: Creating a User Pool

- Create a user pool named `bird_app` with custom settings for authentication and session management.
- Configure the hosted UI, app client, and set callback URLs to integrate with the web application.

Task steps:

On the AWS Management Console, in the search box, enter and choose Cognito to open the Amazon Cognito console.

In the navigation pane on the left, choose **User pools**.

Choose **Create user pool**.

For **Step 1: Configure sign-in experience**, configure the following options:

For **Provider types**, notice that **Cognito user pool** is selected.

For **Cognito user pool sign-in options**, configure the following options:

- Choose **User name**.
- Choose **Allow users to sign in with a preferred user name**.

Note: When creating a user pool, the options recommended are suitable for the lab environment. In real-life applications, you might configure these options based on what your application needs. You can check the **Info** link for each option for more information about the recommended options.

Choose **Next**.

For **Step 2: Configure security requirements**, configure the following options:

- In the **Password policy** section for **Password policy mode**, keep the default selection: **Cognito defaults**.
- In the **Multi-factor authentication** section for **MFA enforcement**, choose **No MFA**.
- In the **User account recovery** section for **Self-service account recovery**, clear **Enable self-service account recovery - Recommended**.

Choose **Next**.

For **Step 3: Configure sign-up experience**, configure the following options:

- In the **Self-service sign-up** section for **Self-registration**, clear **Enable self-registration**.
- In the **Attribute verification and user account confirmation** section for **Cognito-assisted verification and confirmation**, clear **Allow Cognito to automatically send messages to verify and confirm - Recommended**.

Choose **Next**.

For **Step 4: Configure message delivery**, for **Email provider**, choose **Send email with Cognito**.

Choose **Next**.

For **Step 5: Integrate your app**, configure the following options:

- For **User pool name**, enter `bird_app`.
- For **Hosted authentication pages**, choose **Use the Cognito Hosted UI**.

Note: The Amazon Cognito hosted UI is convenient when integrating your application because it builds hosted sign-up, sign-in, and OAuth 2.0 service endpoints in Amazon Cognito; otherwise, you need to use Amazon Cognito API operations to perform sign-up and sign-in.

- In the **Domain** section for **Domain type**, notice that **Use a Cognito domain** is selected.
- For **Cognito domain**, enter a unique prefix string to create a domain name (for example, `labbirdapp`).
- Confirm that the message *Available* appears, which confirms that the domain name is available for use.

Note: If the domain is not available, try different combinations to choose a unique name.

- Copy and paste your unique domain name to your text editor as the **Amazon Cognito domain prefix** for use later.
- In the **Initial app client** section for **App type**, leave the default option: **Public client**.
- For **App client name**, enter `bird_app_client`.
- For **Allowed callback URLs**, enter `https://<cloudfront-domain>/callback.html`, and replace `<cloudfront-domain>` with the CloudFront distribution domain from your text editor.

Note: The updated URL should be similar to the following:

<https://d123456acbdef.cloudfront.net/callback.html>

Expand **Advanced app client settings**, and configure the following options:

- For **Authentication flows**, from the dropdown list, choose **ALLOW_USER_PASSWORD_AUTH**, and clear **ALLOW_USER_SRP_AUTH**.

- For **OAuth 2.0 grant types**, ensure that **Authorization code grant** is chosen. From the dropdown list, choose **Implicit grant**.
- For **OpenID Connect scopes**, ensure that **Email** and **OpenID** are chosen, and clear **Phone**.

Choose **Next**.

For **Step 6: Review and create**, review the settings to ensure that they're correct, and choose **Create user pool**.

Task 3.2: Adding Users to the User Pool

- Add test users (testuser and admin) to the user pool with specified credentials.
- Create an Administrators group and add the admin user to manage role-based access.

Task steps

From the **User pools** list, choose the link to the **bird_app** user pool.

Copy and past the **User pool ID** into your text editor as the **User pool ID** for use later.

In the Amazon Cognito console, on the **Users** tab, choose **Create user**.

Create a user with the following details:

- For **User name**, enter testuser.
- For **Password**, enter Lab-password1\$.

Choose **Create user**.

Create another user with the following details:

- For **User name**, enter admin.
- For **Password**, enter Admin123\$.

Choose **Create user**.

Note: This user has administrator permissions.

- Choose the **Groups** tab.
- Choose **Create group**.
- On the **Create group** page for **Group name**, enter Administrators.
- Choose **Create group**.
- Choose the **Administrators** group that you created.
- Choose **Add user to group**.
- From the list of users, select **admin**.
- Choose **Add**.

Note: You have added the **admin** user to the **Administrators** group.

To return to the earlier menu, choose the **bird_app** link at the top of the page.

- Choose the **App integration** tab.
- In the **App clients and analytics** section, choose the **bird_app_client** link.
- From the **App client: bird_app_client** page, copy the **Client ID** to your text editor as the **App client ID** for use later.
- On the **App client: bird_app_client** page from the **Hosted UI** section, choose **View Hosted UI**.
- In the new browser tab that opens, enter the username and password that you used to create the **testuser**, and choose **Sign in**.

You are prompted to change your password.

Follow the instructions to change the password for the **testuser**.

After changing the password, you are redirected to the application home page.

Note: This redirection occurs because during the configuration, you provided this page as a callback page.

This was done to verify the configuration of the user pool. You repeat this process later for the **admin** user when you open the application administrator site.

Note: Do not store these credentials in the browser cache if prompted.

Keep this browser tab with the Birds website open.

Adding users to the user pool

From the User pools list, choose the link to the **bird_app** user pool.

Copy and past the User pool ID into your text editor as the User pool ID for use later.

In the Amazon Cognito console, on the Users tab, choose Create user.

Create a user with the following details:

- For User name, enter **testuser**.
- For Password, enter **Lab-password1\$**.

Choose Create user.

The screenshot shows the 'Users (1)' page in the Azure AD portal. At the top, there are buttons for 'Delete user' and 'Create user'. Below the header, there is a search bar with the placeholder 'Search users by attribute' and a dropdown menu for 'Property' set to 'User name'. The main table lists one user: 'testuser'. The table columns are 'User name', 'Email address', 'Email verified', 'Confirmation status', and 'Status'. The 'testuser' row shows an email address of '-', 'Email verified' as 'No', and 'Status' as 'Enabled' with a green checkmark. A 'Force change password' button is visible next to the user name.

	User name	Email address	Email verified	Confirmation status	Status
<input type="radio"/>	testuser	-	No	Force change password	Enabled

Create another user with the following details:

- For User name, enter admin.
- For Password, enter Admin123\$.

Choose Create user.

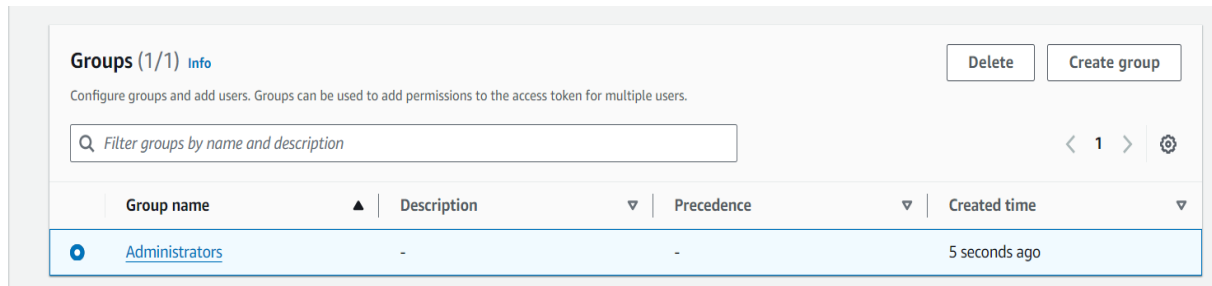
The screenshot shows the 'Users (2)' page in the Azure AD portal. At the top, there are buttons for 'Delete user' and 'Create user'. Below the header, there is a search bar with the placeholder 'Search users by attribute' and a dropdown menu for 'Property' set to 'User name'. The main table lists two users: 'admin' and 'testuser'. The table columns are 'User name', 'Email address', 'Email verified', 'Confirmation status', and 'Status'. The 'admin' row shows an email address of '-', 'Email verified' as 'No', and 'Status' as 'Enabled' with a green checkmark. The 'testuser' row shows an email address of '-', 'Email verified' as 'No', and 'Status' as 'Enabled' with a green checkmark. 'Force change password' buttons are visible next to both user names.

	User name	Email address	Email verified	Confirmation status	Status
<input type="radio"/>	admin	-	No	Force change password	Enabled
<input type="radio"/>	testuser	-	No	Force change password	Enabled

Note: This user has administrator permissions.

- Choose the Groups tab.
- Choose Create group.
- On the Create group page for Group name, enter Administrators.

- Choose Create group.



- Choose the Administrators group that you created.
- Choose Add user to group.
- From the list of users, select admin.
- Choose Add.

Note: You have added the admin user to the Administrators group.

To return to the earlier menu, choose the bird_app link at the top of the page.

- Choose the App integration tab.
- In the App clients and analytics section, choose the bird_app_client link.
- From the App client: bird_app_client page, copy the Client ID to your text editor as the App client ID for use later.
- On the App client: bird_app_client page from the Hosted UI section, choose View Hosted UI.
- In the new browser tab that opens, enter the username and password that you used to create the testuser, and choose Sign in.
- You are prompted to change your password.

Follow the instructions to change the password for the testuser.

After changing the password, you are redirected to the application home page.

Note: This redirection occurs because during the configuration, you provided this page as a callback page.

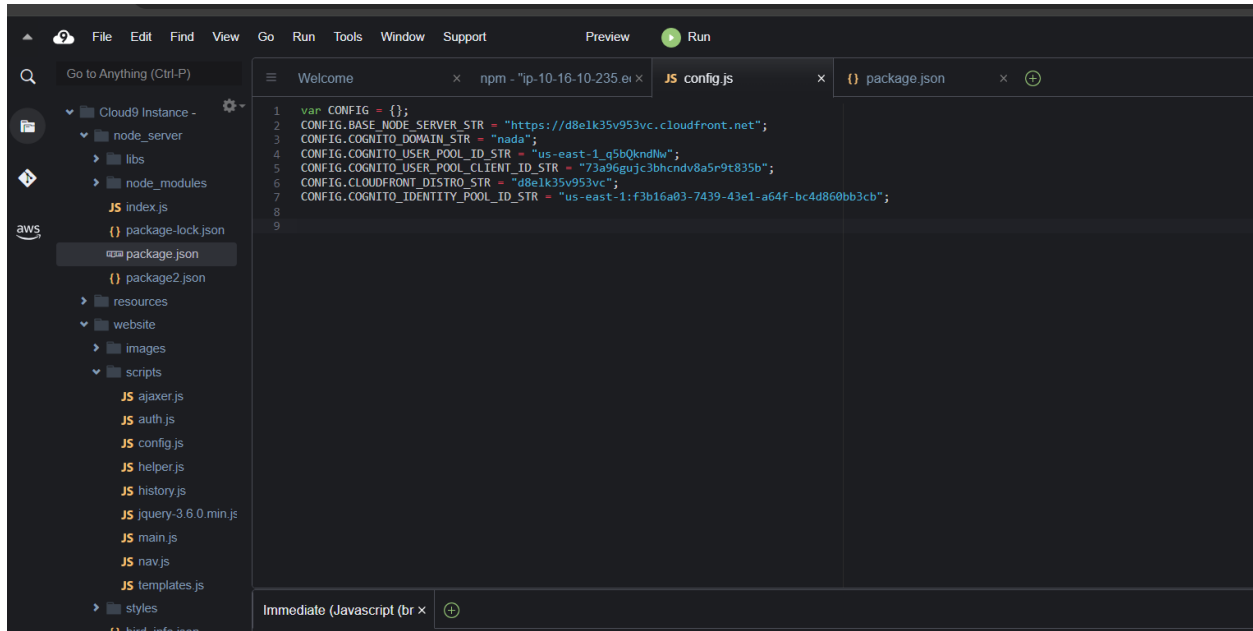
This was done to verify the configuration of the user pool. You repeat this process later for the admin user when you open the application administrator site.

Note: Do not store these credentials in the browser cache if prompted.

Keep this browser tab with the Birds website open.

Task 4: Updating the Application to Use the User Pool for Authentication

- Update the application's configuration files in AWS Cloud9 to integrate the user pool.
- Deploy the updated code to the S3 bucket and restart the node server to apply changes.



Command used:

```
cd /home/ec2-user/environment
```

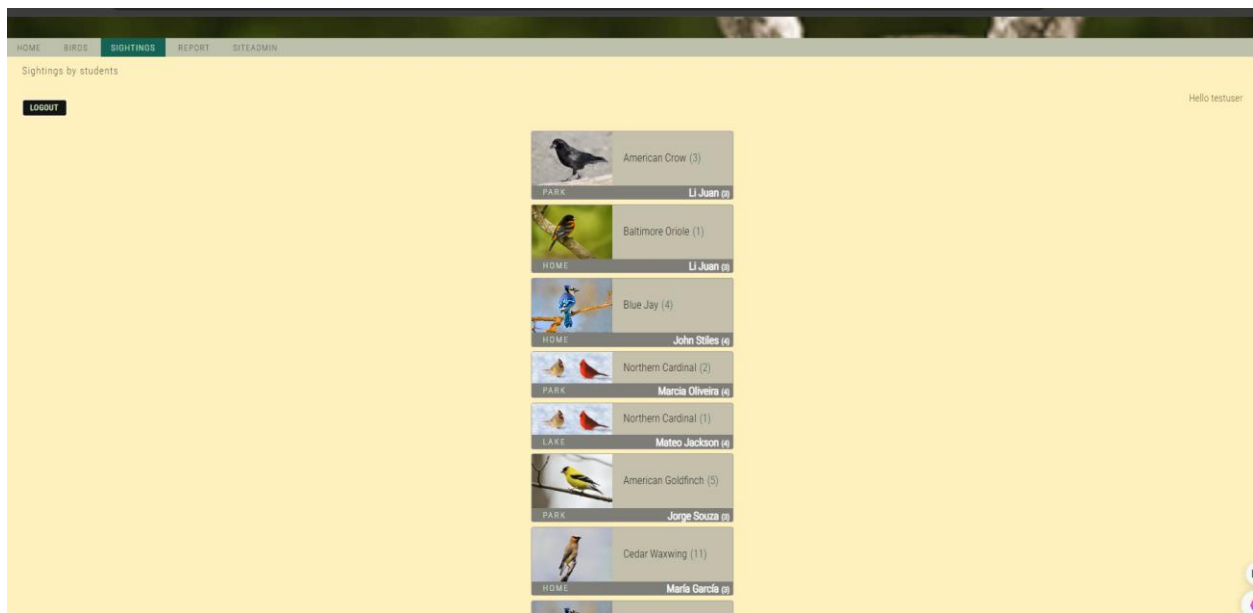
```
aws s3 cp website s3:// c132429a3358550l7868655t1w838031074636-s3bucket-  
ugmd7wyrbbow  
/ --recursive --cache-control "max-age=0"
```

These commands update the JavaScript packages required for the application to use the Amazon Cognito user pool, along with other configuration changes made earlier.

```
cd /home/ec2-user/environment/node_server
```

```
cp package2.json package.json
```

```
cp libs/mw2.js libs/mw.js
```

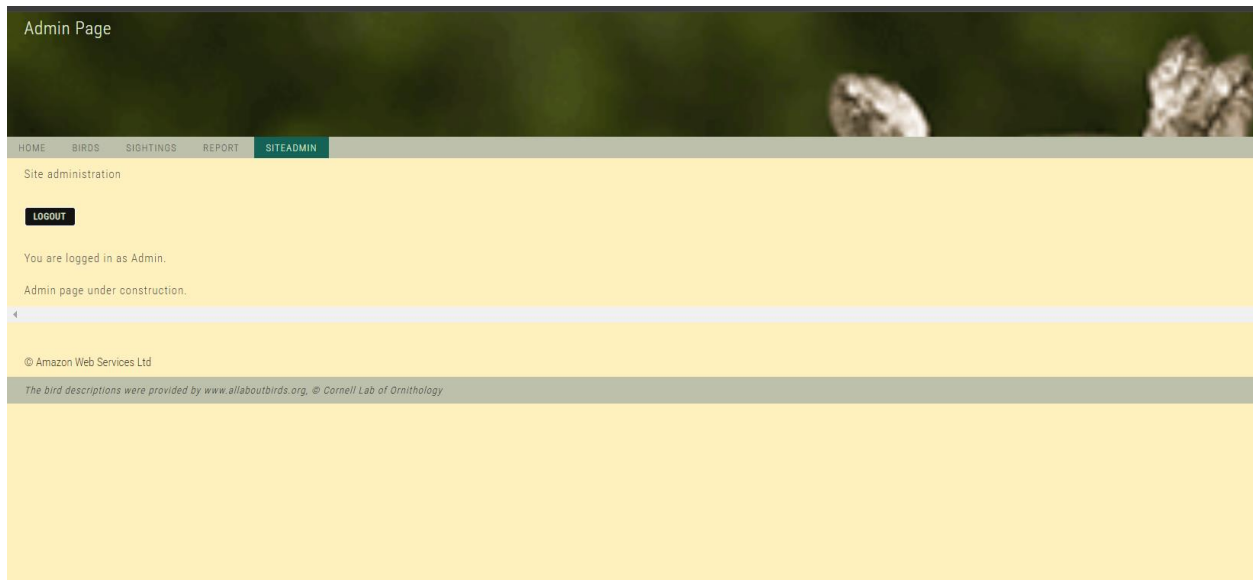



- Choose **LOGIN**.
- On the prompt, provide the credentials for **testuser**.
- After successfully logging in, the birds listing is displayed.

Note: If you are redirected to the **Home** page, navigate to the **SIGHTINGS** page again.

This test proves that only a user who has been authenticated by the Amazon Cognito user pool can access the protected pages of the application. The user pool centrally stores your application usernames and passwords, which makes your users and their authentication information more secure and convenient to manage.

- Choose **SITEADMIN**.
- You see a message stating that you need to log in as an administrator to access the administration page.
- If you see the message *You need Admin credentials to see Admin page*, choose **DISMISS**.
- On the **SITEADMIN** page, choose **ADMIN LOGIN**.
- On the login prompt, choose **Sign in as a different user?**



Use the **admin** login credentials to log in.

```
Welcome x npm - "ip-10-16-10-235.ei x JS config.js x {} package.json x +
155. https://cognito-idp.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/us-east-1_q5bQkndNw',
    'cognito:username': 'testuser',
    exp: 1728925603,
    iat: 1728922003,
    jti: '6c3133fd-cd6b-4e82-9768-ccf0dc76fcc'
  }
  testuser
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OK login response {
  at_hash: 'jILQep1rhsvC6s6rkRWrWA',
  sub: 'c4987458-10d1-7044-c6ee-87d2b07cc540',
  'cognito:groups': [ 'Administrators' ],
  iss: 'https://cognito-idp.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/us-east-1_q5bQkndNw',
  'cognito:username': 'admin',
  aud: '73a96guc3bhcndv8a5r9t835b',
  event_id: '6a39b71e-14c7-4b30-b0bf-d1a5933381ee',
  token_use: 'id',
  auth_time: 1728922258,
  exp: 1728925858,
  iat: 1728922258,
  jti: '4ef1272a-35aa-49a0-99be-0a5265792aa0'
}
admin-Administrators
^C
voclabs:~/environment/node_server $
```

After successfully logging in, the message *Admin page under construction* is displayed.

Note: If you are redirected to the **Home** page, navigate to the **SITEADMIN** page again.

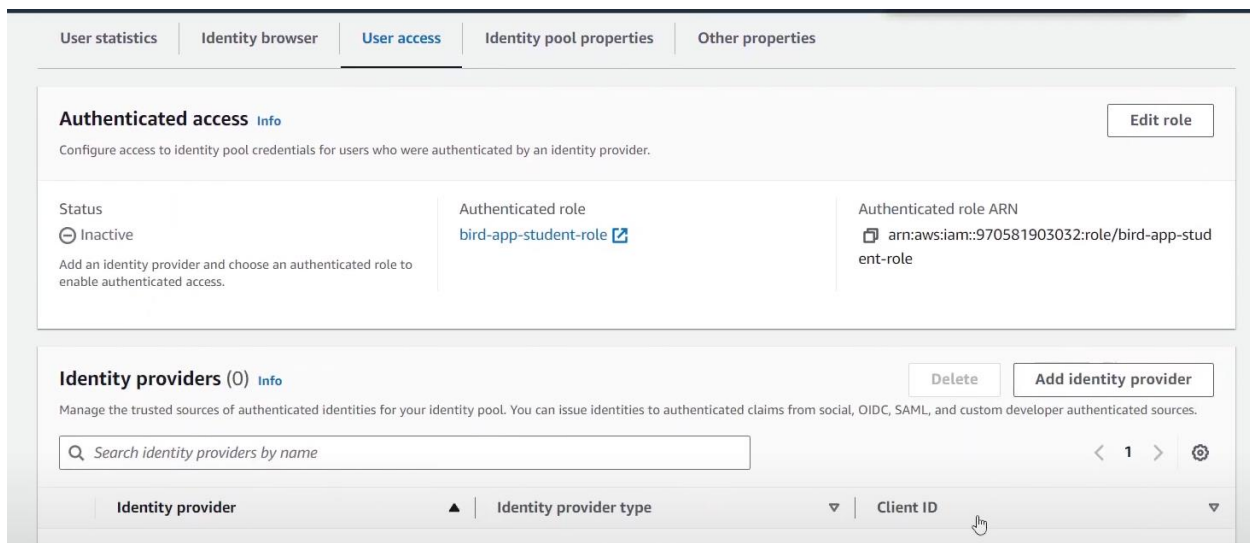
This test proves that the Amazon Cognito user pool can manage role-based access control to your application and provide secure access to the protected pages of the application based on the role.

Task 6: Configuring the Amazon Cognito Identity Pool

- Configure the pre-created Amazon Cognito identity pool to link it with the user pool for secure AWS service access.
- Set the correct user pool ID, app client ID, and configure default roles for authenticated access.

The Amazon Cognito identity pool was created for you when you launched the lab environment. In this task, you configure the Amazon Cognito identity pool to work with the Birds application.

- On the Amazon Cognito console in the navigation pane, choose **Identity pools**.
- Choose the **bird_app_id_pool** link.
- Copy and paste the **Identity pool ID** into your text editor as the **Identity pool ID** for use later.



On the Amazon Cognito console, choose the **User access** tab.

- Choose **Add identity provider**.
- Choose **Amazon Cognito user pool**.
- For **User pool ID**, choose the user pool with the name **bird_app**.
- For **App client ID**, choose the application with the name **bird_app_client**.
- In the **Role settings** section, notice that **Default authenticated role** is displayed.
- Choose **Save changes**.
- Review the **Authenticated access** section.

Notice that the **Authenticated role** has been configured to use the default role, which is assigned to users when they successfully log in. You could set up additional rules to assign different AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) roles to different users. For this phase of application development, you only keep one role assigned to the users.

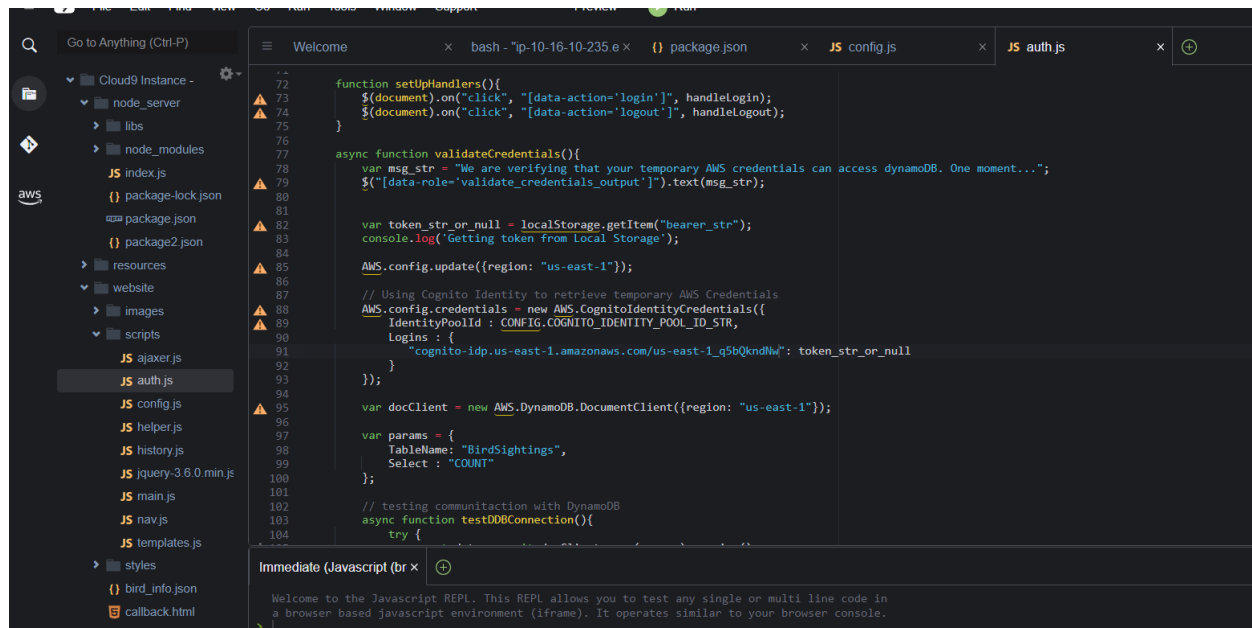
The screenshot shows the 'Amazon Cognito user pool' configuration page. It includes sections for 'User pool details' with input fields for 'User pool ID' (us-east-1_LBnYSjrtg) and 'App client ID' (bird_app_client), and 'Role settings' where 'Use default authenticated role' is selected, pointing to 'bird-app-student-role'. There is also an 'Attributes for access control' section at the bottom.

Task 7: Updating the Application to Use the Identity Pool for Authorization

- Update the application configuration to use the identity pool for secure communication with AWS services.
- Modify the config.js and auth.js files to include identity pool information and deploy the updates.

As with the user pool, the application needs to be updated so it can interact with the identity pool. In this task, you make the necessary updates to the Birds application.

- First, you update the Birds web application.
- Return to the browser tab where the AWS Cloud9 IDE is open.
- In the terminal window where the node server is running, press Ctrl+C to stop the NodeJs server:
- Next, you update the config.js file.
- In the Explorer window, expand the **website/scripts** folder.
- Open the **config.js** file.
- Remove the two forward slashes (//) from the beginning of the last line of code to uncomment the code, and replace `<cognito-identity-pool-id>` with the identity pool ID that you saved earlier.
- To save the file, choose **File > Save**.



Next, you update the auth.js file.

From the **website/scripts** folder, open the **auth.js** file.

In the file, replace `<cognito-user-pool-id>` with the user pool ID. The placeholder is on or around line 91 in the file.

Important: Ensure that you use the user pool ID here and not the identity pool ID.

```

AWS.config.credentials = new AWS.CognitoIdentityCredentials({
  IdentityPoolId : CONFIG.COGNITO_IDENTITY_POOL_ID_STR,

  Logins : {

    "cognito-idp.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/<cognito-user-pool-id>": token_str_or_null

  }

});

```

The updated code is similar to the following:

```

AWS.config.credentials = new AWS.CognitoIdentityCredentials({
  IdentityPoolId : CONFIG.COGNITO_IDENTITY_POOL_ID_STR,

```

```
Logins : {  
  
  "cognito-idp.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/us-east-1_AAAA1111": token_str_or_null  
  
}  
  
});
```

Note: This section of code uses the COGNITO_IDENTITY_POOL_ID_STR variable, which you set in the config.js file. The code uses this identifier to request credentials from the identity pool. Notice that this code block also passes the user pool ID and token_str_or_null, which holds the authentication token. The identity pool uses this information to verify the user in the user pool. If the user and token pass the validation, the identity pool sends AWS credentials back to the application.

To save the file, choose **File > Save**.

Next, you push the updated website code to the S3 bucket.

In the AWS Cloud9 IDE terminal, enter the following command and replace *<s3-bucket>* with the name of the S3 bucket. Run your revised command.

```
cd /home/ec2-user/environment  
  
aws s3 cp website s3://<s3-bucket>/ --recursive --cache-control "max-age=0"
```

Ensure that the node server is still running. If it is not, run the following commands to start it again:

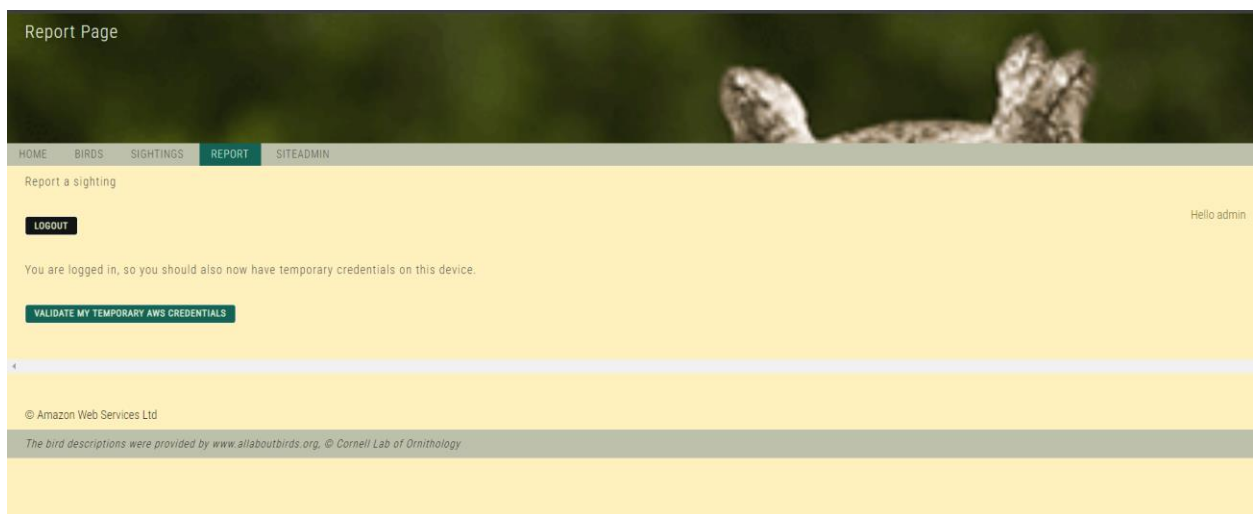
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cd /home/ec2-user/environment/node_server  
  
npm start
```

Task 8: Testing the Identity Pool Integration with the Application

- Test the application to ensure it can access AWS services using temporary credentials provided by the identity pool.
- Validate the integration by performing actions like querying the DynamoDB table using the generated credentials.

In this task, you test the updated Birds application to ensure that you can access temporary AWS credentials. With these temporary credentials, you are able to access AWS services based on the roles that were defined when you set up the identity pool. Remember that your identity pool is configured to associate authenticated users with an IAM role that allows access to a DynamoDB table.

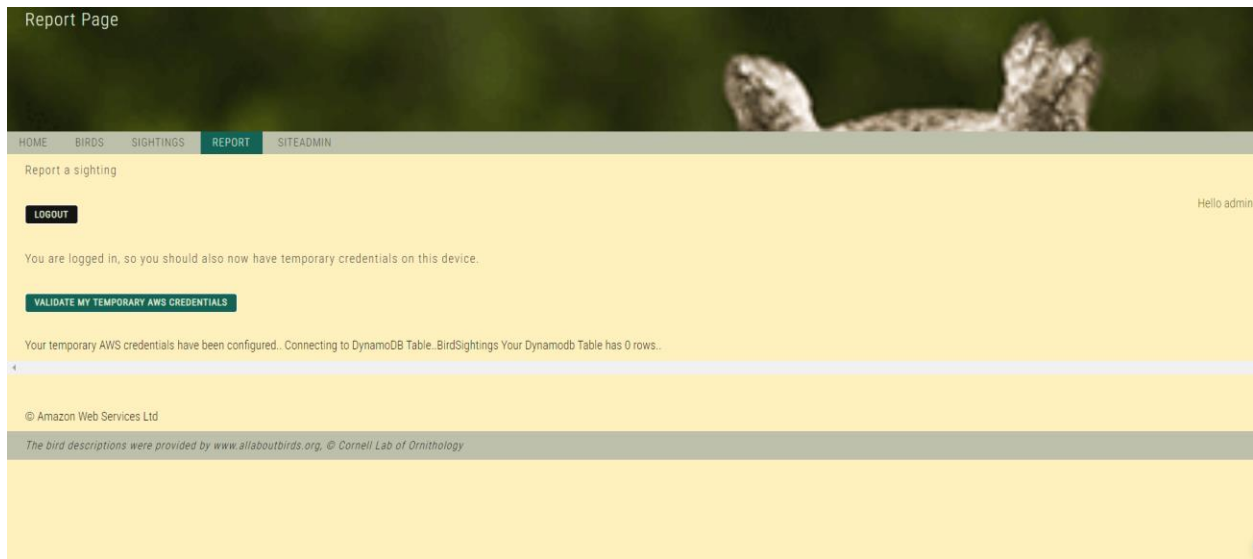
- Return to the browser tab where the Birds application is open.
- Choose **HOME**, and refresh the page to ensure that your browser is using the updated code.
- Choose **REPORT**.
- Choose **LOGIN**, and log in with the **testuser** credentials that you created in the user pool.



Note: You might have to log out of the **admin** account before you can log in with the **testuser** account.

After logging in, choose **REPORT** again.

To verify that you now have access to the temporary AWS credentials that you can use to interact with a DynamoDB table, choose **VALIDATE MY TEMPORARY AWS CREDENTIALS**.



The application now uses the identity pool to generate temporary credentials and uses the same credentials to access the **BirdSightings** DynamoDB table. After successfully connecting to the database table, the application attempts to count the number of rows (0) and returns the following message: *Your temporary AWS credentials have been configured.. Connecting to DynamoDB Table..BirdSightings Your Dynamodb Table has 0 rows..*

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This test verifies that you have correctly configured the Amazon Cognito identity pool and the application. Users who are logged in are able to access temporary credentials to communicate with the DynamoDB database.

Note: You can access the DynamoDB table from the AWS Management Console and verify that the table has 0 rows..

Conclusion

Congratulations! You now have successfully done the following:

- Created an Amazon Cognito user pool
- Added users to the user pool
- Updated the example application to use the user pool for authentication
- Configured the Amazon Cognito identity pool
- Updated the example application to use the identity pool for authorization