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Step1: Create a stack

1. Choose a template sample from this website:

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/zh_cn/AWSCloudFormation/latest/UserGuide/sample-templates-services-us-west-2.html#w1ab2c21c45c15c15

I choose Load-based auto scaling

Auto Scaling

Template Name	Description	View	View in Designer	Launch
Load-based auto scaling	Creates an Auto Scaling group with scaling policies that are based on CPU usage in order	View	View in Designer	Launch stack

2. Modify the template text, set InstanceType to “t2.micro”, set key to my own key “Lab2Key”, set WebServerGroup: MinSize = 4, MaxSize = 4.

3. Record the path to **index.html**: /var/www/html/index.html

Step2: Create a stack

1. Click on “launch stack”, choose “template is ready”, “Update a template file”, Then upload your text.

Create stack

Prerequisite - Prepare template

Prepare template
Every stack is based on a template. A template is a JSON or YAML file that contains configuration information about the AWS resources you want to include in the stack.

☒ Template is ready

☐ Use a sample template

☐ Create template in Designer

Specify template

A template is a JSON or YAML file that describes your stack's resources and properties.

Template source
Selecting a template generates an Amazon S3 URL where it will be stored.

☐ Amazon S3 URL

☒ Upload a template file

Upload a template file

New%20Text%20Document.txt

JSON or YAML formatted file

S3 URL: <https://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/cf-templates-1p9jue9csb5uz-us-west-2/2020120HEW-New%20Text%20Document.txt>

Cancel

Next

2. Input “name”, input parameters.

Parameters

Parameters are defined in your template and allow you to input custom values when you create or update a stack.

InstanceType
WebServer EC2 instance type

t2.micro

KeyName
Name of an existing EC2 KeyPair to enable SSH access to the instances

SSHLocation
The IP address range that can be used to SSH to the EC2 instances

0.0.0.0/0

Subnets
The list of SubnetIds in your Virtual Private Cloud (VPC)

subnet-11ec1369 (172.31.16.0/20) X

subnet-e002ccbd (172.31.0.0/20) X

subnet-5ab1f771 (172.31.48.0/20) X

subnet-79edf432 (172.31.32.0/20) X

VpcId
VpcId of your existing Virtual Private Cloud (VPC)

vpc-f6a3c18e (172.31.0.0/16)

3. click next for two times and click Create Stack.

We finished constructing the stack.

CloudFormation > Stacks > Lab4

Stacks (2)

Filter by stack name

Active View nested < 1 >

Lab4

2020-04-28 21:23:17 UTC-0400

CREATE_IN_PROGRESS

Lab4Stack

2020-04-28 21:16:00 UTC-0400

DELETE_IN_PROGRESS

Events (6)

Search events

Timestamp	Logical ID	Status	Status reason
2020-04-28 21:23:22 UTC-0400	ApplicationLoadBalancer	CREATE_IN_PROGRESS	Resource creation Initiated
2020-04-28 21:23:21 UTC-0400	ALBTargetGroup	COMPLETE	-
2020-04-28 21:23:21 UTC-0400	ALBTargetGroup	CREATE_IN_PROGRESS	Resource creation Initiated
2020-04-28 21:23:20 UTC-0400	ApplicationLoadBalancer	CREATE_IN_PROGRESS	-
2020-04-28 21:23:20 UTC-0400	ALBTargetGroup	CREATE_IN_PROGRESS	-
2020-04-28 21:23:17 UTC-0400	Lab4	CREATE_IN_PROGRESS	User Initiated

4. Now if we go to EC2, we will see our 4 instances.

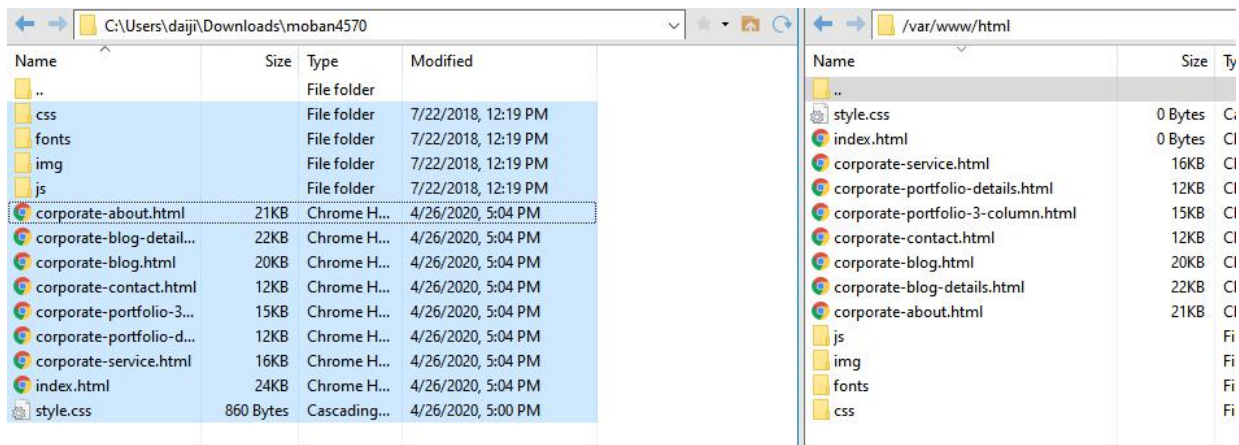
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Instance ID	Instance Type	Availability Zone	Instance State	Status Checks	Alarm
<input type="checkbox"/>		i-034821d19db76ae...	t2.micro	us-west-2b	running	2/2 checks ...	None
<input type="checkbox"/>		i-09e5cda6d16ee95db	t2.micro	us-west-2a	running	2/2 checks ...	None
<input type="checkbox"/>		i-0d0b4c995b59a972d	t2.micro	us-west-2c	running	2/2 checks ...	None
<input type="checkbox"/>		i-0e20c004af638c343	t2.micro	us-west-2c	running	2/2 checks ...	None

Step3: Modify index.html

1. Connect to a instance and modify the index.html

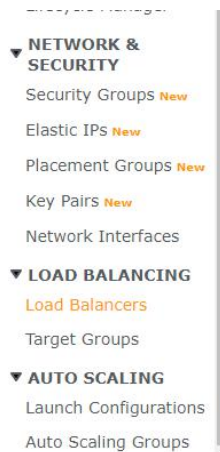
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Complete!
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-31-177 ~]$ cd var/www
-bash: cd: var/www: No such file or directory
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-31-177 ~]$ cd /var/www
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-31-177 www]$ sudo chmod 777 html
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-31-177 www]$ ls
cgi-bin  error  html  icons
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-31-177 www]$
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2. upload my own index.html using Xftp



3. Do same things on the other three instances.

4. Click on load balancer in EC2, we will see our load balancer.



5. copy the DSN of our load balancer, .

Create Load Balancer Actions ▾

Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	DNS name	State	VPC ID
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FTY	Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FT...	active	vpc-f6a3c18e

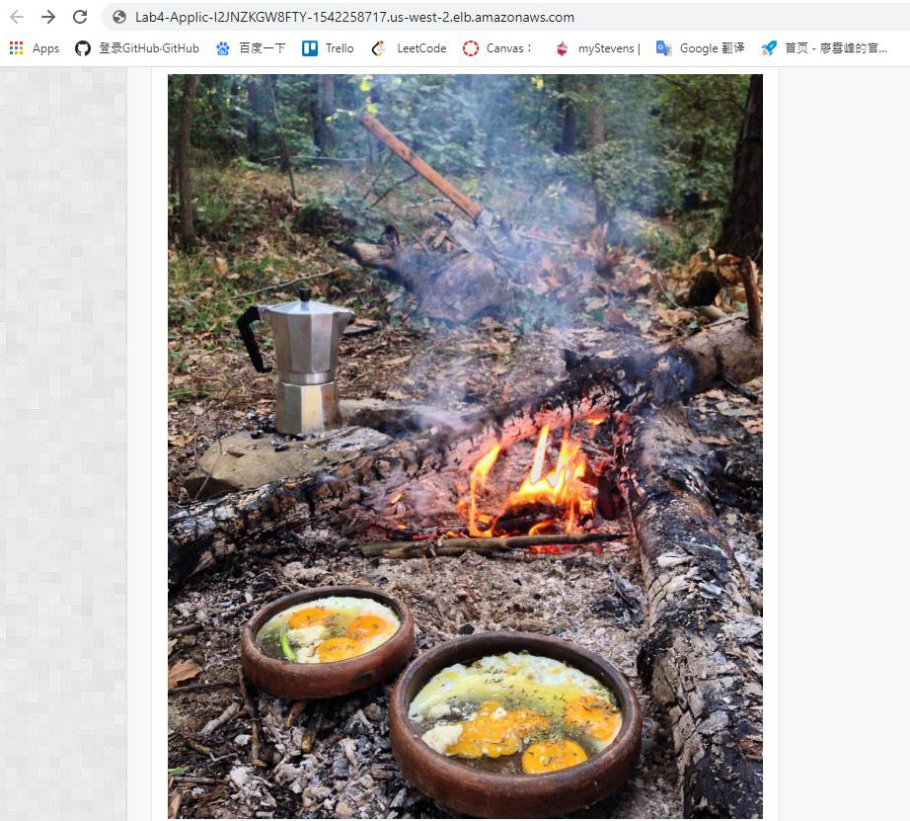
Load balancer: Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FTY

Description Listeners Monitoring Integrated services Tags

Basic Configuration

Name	Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FTY
ARN	arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:us-west-2:028202602291:loadbalancer/app/Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FTY
DNS name	Lab4-Applic-I2JNZKGW8FTY-1542258717.us-west-2.elb.amazonaws.com

6.Copy DSN of load balancer to a browser, we will be able to see **four same pages like this.**



My Observation:

As we can see, Cloud Formation give us a very convenient way to construct what we need. When the template document is already written, we can finish constructing who system in only a few minutes.

Additionally, I also noticed that the load balancer provided by Amazon EC2 is really useful. I don't need to construct balancer by myself anymore (compare to Lab#2).