

# Capstone Project

## 1. Notes:

### 1.1 Subdomains

<https://honglibu.ucmpcs.org>

### 1.2 Check file size in Ex.2

I implemented file size check using **javascript**. Firstly, I add a parameter called '**size**' when return `render_template` in function `annotate()` in `views.py`. Then, I add javascript in `annotate.html`. In the script, the file size will be checked immediately after user clicking 'Annotate'. If free user are uploading a file with size larger than **150KB**, I will redirect user to subscribe page, otherwise, the file will be uploaded successfully.

### 1.3 Archive free user data to Glacier in Ex.7

I accomplished this task using **SQS and SNS**. The `job_archive` queue listens to the `job_result` topic. The notification message will be sent to this queue every time a job is completed. The **`results_archive.py`** is runs on util instance. The script keeps polling the queue. When it receives a message, role in the queue message will compare with **`session['role']`**:

- 1) If the user is free user, it will calculate the time difference between completed time of the job and `time().time`. If the job is completed within 30 minutes, do nothing. Otherwise, if the job has been completed for more than 30 minutes, the result file will be archived to glacier, and the archive ID is record in DynamoDB.
- 2) If the user is a premium user, it will delete the message.

I chose SQS method because it is easy to implement, and I can dump all useful information in the queue, so that it won't waste resources to populate scan DynamoDB.

### 1.4 Restore data for premium user in Ex.9:

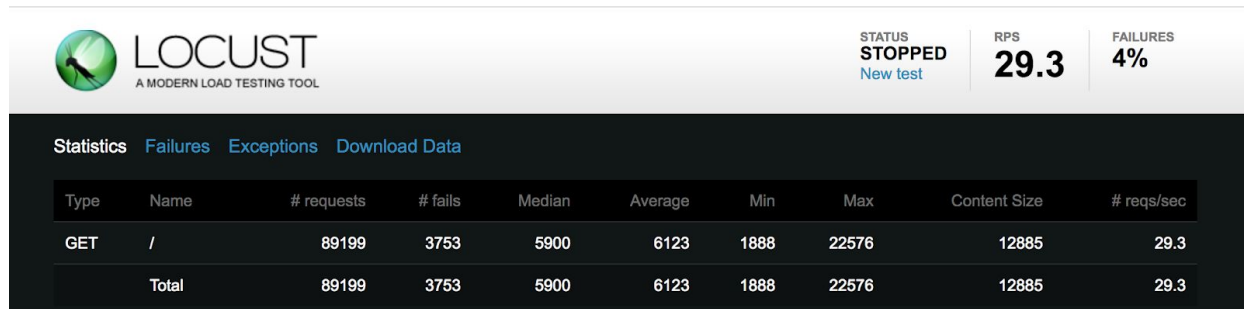
Firstly, I initiate Glacier archive job when use successfully upgrade. Then I send a notification to a **SQS** called **`job_restore`** through corresponding **SNS topic** when a job is successfully initiated. The python script `archive_restore` is running on util instance. It keeps polling the queue. When it receives a message, it will restore the data to S3, and delete the message.

### 1.5 Load test on web servers in Ex.13:

The instances incremented by 1 every 5 minutes. It's because the load balancer kept receiving high-load requests per minute. So the state of the alarm

“honglibu-web-scale-out” kept being “ALARM”. And, I had set scale-out policy as “300 seconds to warm up”. So the auto scaler would wait for 5 minutes before adding a new instance. When the instance number reached the maximum number of instances we set, the increment stopped.

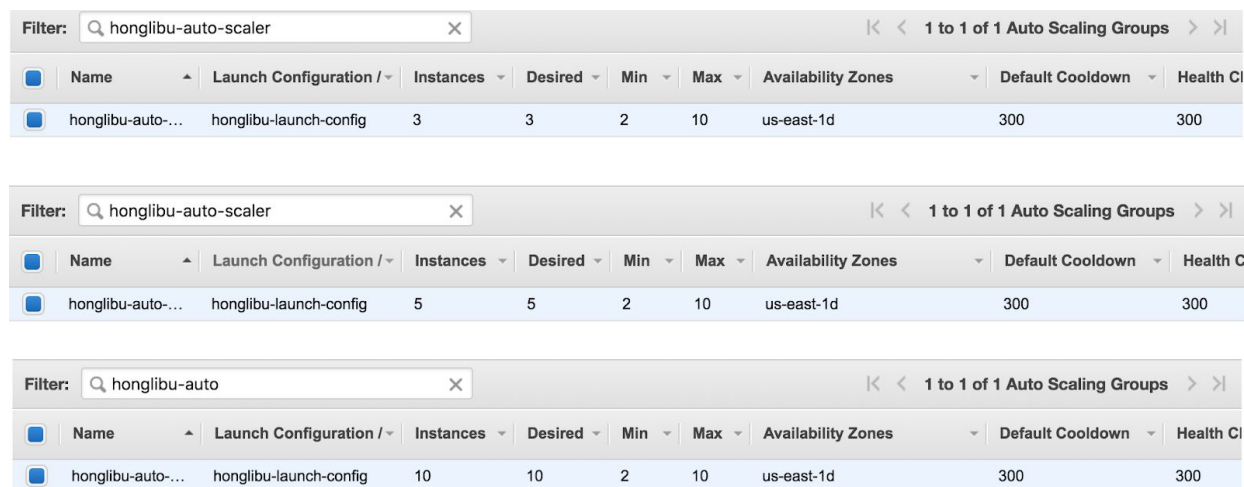
Here is my locust screenshot when instance number reached the maximum number:



The screenshot shows the Locust web interface. At the top, the status is 'STOPPED' with a 'New test' link. The RPS (Requests Per Second) is 29.3 and the failure rate is 4%. Below this, there are tabs for 'Statistics', 'Failures', 'Exceptions', and 'Download Data'. The 'Statistics' tab is active, displaying a table of test results.

Type	Name	# requests	# fails	Median	Average	Min	Max	Content Size	# reqs/sec
GET	/	89199	3753	5900	6123	1888	22576	12885	29.3
Total		89199	3753	5900	6123	1888	22576	12885	29.3

Below several screenshots show the stage when scaling out. At the beginning, two instances is running and ultimately, the instances reach 10.



The three screenshots show the AWS Auto Scaling console for the 'honglibu-auto-scaler' group. The first screenshot shows 3 instances, the second shows 5 instances, and the third shows 10 instances. The 'Instances' column in the table below indicates the current number of instances.

Name	Launch Configuration	Instances	Desired	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Default Cooldown	Health Check
honglibu-auto-...	honglibu-launch-config	3	3	2	10	us-east-1d	300	300

Name	Launch Configuration	Instances	Desired	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Default Cooldown	Health Check
honglibu-auto-...	honglibu-launch-config	5	5	2	10	us-east-1d	300	300

Name	Launch Configuration	Instances	Desired	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Default Cooldown	Health Check
honglibu-auto-...	honglibu-launch-config	10	10	2	10	us-east-1d	300	300

After I stop Locust test, web farms start to scale in according to my ‘honglibu-web-scale-in’ policy. In this policy I defined the threshold as ‘TargetResponseTime < 0.05 for 1 datapoint within 1 minute’. So if I stop the load test or reset the load test to be in low request workload (e.g. 1 user, at 1/sec), web response time will take less than 50ms, then the ELB will coordinate Auto Scaling group to terminated instances by 1 every 5 minutes. Of course, if consider server latency, the scale in alarm might be bounce between ‘ok’ and ‘alarm’.

## 1.6 Load test on anntools servers in Ex.14:

Here is my screenshots of anntools auto scaling group when I was running autotest script in my local machine. As the anntools alarm, when I continuously send job

requests, the sum of job in 15 minutes will reach 30(Threshold). Consequently, the anntools farm will scale out by increasing 1 instance per 5 minutes. When I stopped, the message received will be decreasing, and then the anntools farm will scale in. Finally, there will still have two instances running.

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Launch Configuration	Instances	Desired	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Default Cooldown	Health Check
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	honglibu-auto-...	honglibu-launch-config	9	8	2	10	us-east-1d	300	300

Filter: <input type="text" value="honglibu-annotate"/> <span>×</span> <span>1 to 1 of 1 Auto Scaling Groups</span>									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Launch Configuration	Instances	Desired	Min	Max	Availability Zones	Default Cooldown	Health Check
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	honglibu-annot...	honglibu-annotate-laun...	4	4	2	10	us-east-1d	300	300

## 2. Instructions:

2.1 After uploading files , it might take minutes to run annotator, so be patient please.

2.2 when you need to logout and login, please logout 'UChicago' account if possible.

### 2.3 When you restore a job result, you need several minutes to download files.

### 3.Reference:

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