

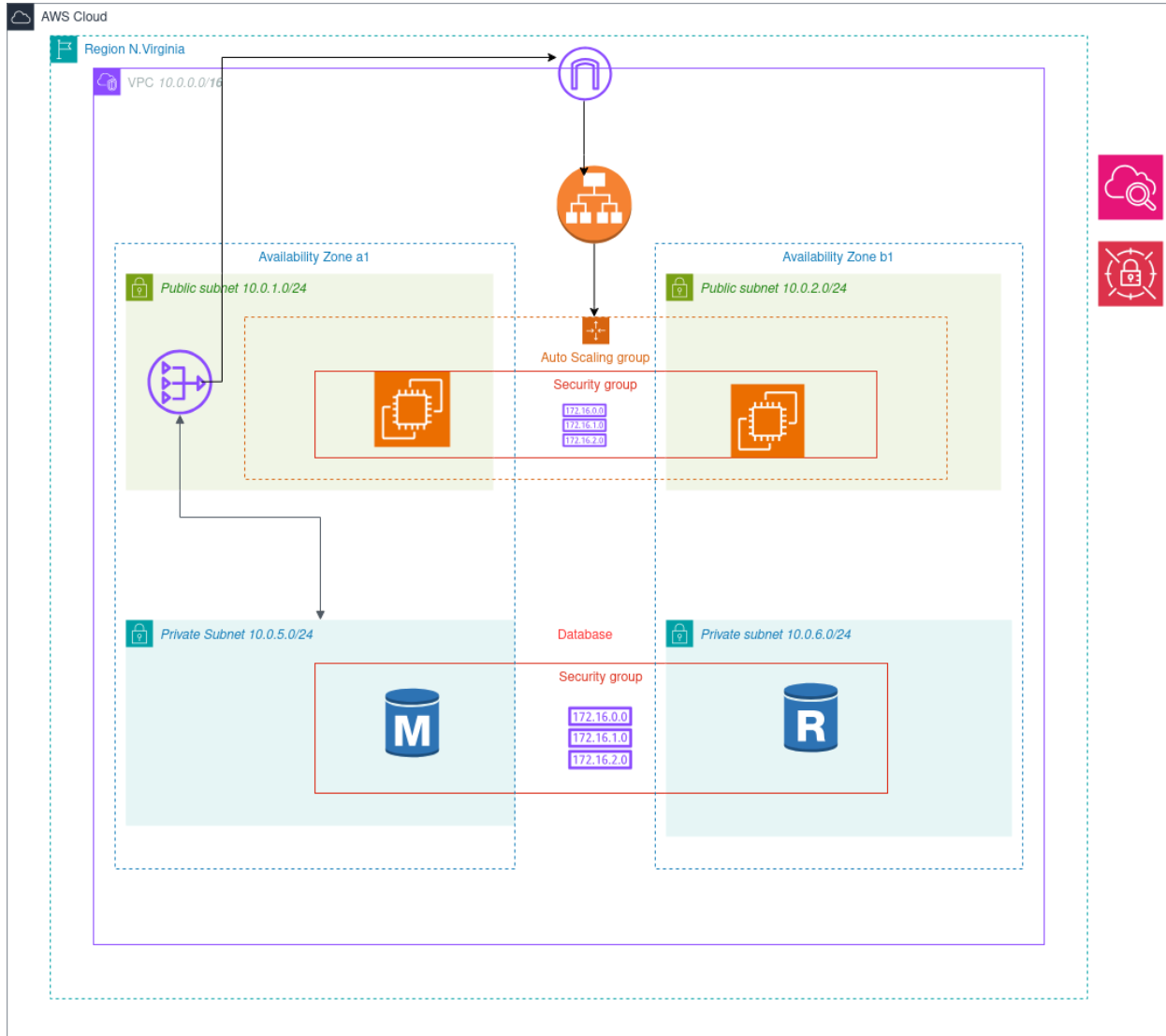
## **Building a Highly Available, Scalable Web Application Project**

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## **Requirements:**

- Create an architectural diagram to depict various AWS services and their interactions with each other.
- Estimate the cost of using services by using the AWS Pricing Calculator.
- Deploy a functional web application that runs on a single virtual machine and is backed by a relational database.
- Architect a web application to separate layers of the application, such as the web server and database.
- Create a virtual network that is configured appropriately to host a web application that is publicly accessible and secure.
- Deploy a web application with the load distributed across multiple web servers.
- Configure the appropriate network security settings for the web servers and database.
- Implement high availability and scalability in the deployed solution.
- Configure access permissions between AWS services.

# 1- Architecture Diagram and Cost Estimation:



## 2-Estimate Costs:

A cost projection for operating the architecture on AWS for a 12-month period is generated using the AWS Pricing Calculator to ensure accurate budgeting.

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My Estimate - AWS Pricing Calculator

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Export date: **10/17/2024**

Language: **English**

Estimate URL: <https://calculator.aws/#/estimate?id=a860323bb70440c33698dde8a5afe64f4bac574f>

### Estimate summary

Upfront cost

**196.22 USD**

Monthly cost

**1,163.11 USD**

Total 12 months cost

**14,153.54 USD**

Includes upfront cost

### Detailed Estimate

Name	Group	Region	Upfront cost	Monthly cost
Amazon EC2	No group applied	US East (N. Virginia)	196.22 USD	85.05 USD

Status: -

Description:

**Config summary:** Tenancy (Shared Instances), Operating system (Linux), Workload (Consistent, Number of instances: 4), Advance EC2 instance (t3a.small), Pricing strategy ( 1yr Partial Upfront), Enable monitoring (enabled), EBS Storage amount (40 GB), DT Inbound: Internet (50 GB per month), DT Outbound: Internet (50 GB per month), DT Intra-Region: (0 TB per month)

**Elastic Load Balancing**

No group applied

US East (N. Virginia)

0.00 USD

40.85 USD

Status: -

Description:

**Config summary:** Number of Application Load Balancers (2)

## **Abstract:**

The purpose of this project is to design, build, and deploy a highly available and scalable web application using Amazon Web Services (AWS). The project involves implementing a multi-tier architecture, where the web application and database are decoupled to ensure better performance and flexibility. In the initial phase, the project creates a virtual private cloud (VPC) with public and private subnets across two Availability Zones, ensuring redundancy and fault tolerance. The web application is hosted on an Amazon EC2 instance, while the database is provisioned separately using Amazon RDS to manage and store data efficiently.

To improve the security and efficiency of communication between the application and database, AWS Secrets Manager is used to manage database credentials securely. AWS Cloud9 provides a development environment for managing application code, running AWS CLI commands, and migrating databases. Auto Scaling and Load Balancer services are configured to ensure the application scales seamlessly based on traffic, offering both high availability and cost optimization.

This project demonstrates the use of cloud-native services for building a scalable, secure, and robust web application architecture, suitable for real-world deployment scenarios.

# I. Introduction:

## 1. Overview of the project

This project focuses on developing a highly available, scalable, and secure web application hosted on the Amazon Web Services (AWS) cloud platform. The application architecture follows a 3-tier design with web, application, and database layers. The project is built using AWS services like EC2 for hosting the web application, RDS for managing the database, and Auto Scaling for handling traffic spikes.

## 2. Objectives of the solution

The primary objectives of this project include:

- **High Availability:** Ensure the web application is accessible even in case of failure or maintenance in one availability zone by distributing the resources across multiple zones.
- **Scalability:** Automatically scale the application based on traffic demand, ensuring the performance remains optimal during peak loads.
- **Security:** Protect the web application and database using AWS security features like security groups, private subnets, and IAM roles.
- **Cost-effectiveness:** Utilize AWS services efficiently to minimize costs without sacrificing performance or availability.

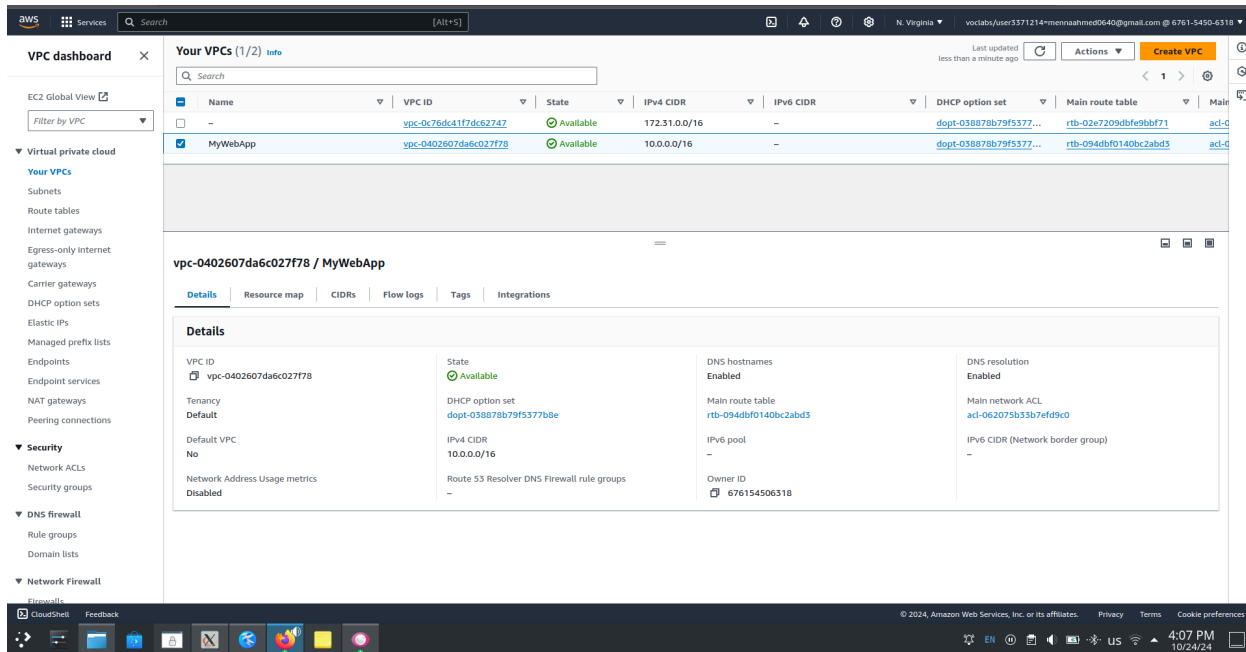
- **Automation:** Use Infrastructure as Code (IaC) principles for automating the deployment and scaling of the application.

### **3. Functional Requirements**

- **Web Application Hosting:** The application should be hosted on an EC2 instance, which serves dynamic content to users via a web interface.
- **Database Management:** The backend database must be hosted separately on Amazon RDS (MySQL engine) to decouple the application components and improve performance.
- **Scalability:** The system must support auto-scaling to handle increased loads dynamically and reduce resources during low usage.
- **Security Controls:** Implement security controls to restrict access to the database from the public internet, allowing only the web application to interact with it.
- **Monitoring and Logging:** Utilize AWS CloudWatch for monitoring application performance and health, and set up logging for tracking access and performance metrics.

## 2-Implementation Steps:

### A.VPC



This screenshot shows the VPC (Virtual Private Cloud) dashboard in AWS. The selected VPC is named "MyWebApp," and its VPC ID is displayed. Key details include:

- **VPC CIDR block:** 10.0.0.0/16, defining the IP address range for the network.
- **State:** Available, indicating the VPC is active.
- **DNS resolution:** Enabled, allowing resources within the VPC to resolve domain names.
- **Main route table:** Displays the ID of the route table managing traffic within the VPC.
- **DHCP option set:** A set of rules to assign network configuration to instances in the VPC.

This VPC is a custom network where your web application and database will reside, ensuring isolation and security within AWS.



## B. EC2 Instance

The screenshot displays the AWS Management Console interface. On the left, a navigation menu includes sections like EC2 Dashboard, Instances, Images, Elastic Block Store, Network & Security, and Load Balancing. The main content area is titled 'Instances (1/4) info' and shows a table of instances. The first instance, 'Website' (ID: i-03854f11a8e127b7e), is highlighted. Below the table, the 'Details' tab for this instance is expanded, showing various configuration parameters. The instance is in a 'Running' state, using the 't2.micro' instance type. It is associated with the 'LabRole' IAM role and is part of the 'vpc-0402607da6c027f78' VPC, specifically in the 'subnet-03c482bc8284bff11' subnet. The instance has a public IP address of 44.220.151.225 and a private IP address of 10.0.2.225. The console footer shows the copyright notice for Amazon Web Services, Inc. and the current time/date as 4:06 PM on 10/24/24.

Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone	Public IPv4 DNS	Public IPv4 ...	Elastic IP
Website	i-03854f11a8e127b7e	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-1b	ec2-44-220-151-225.co...	44.220.151.225	-
aws-cloud9-cl...	i-02573e6b855eb71df	Running	t3.small	3/3 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-1a	ec2-52-87-162-76.com...	52.87.162.76	-
AppServer	i-0193d1762e8c0c31	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	View alarms +	us-east-1a	ec2-98-81-251-24.com...	98.81.251.24	-

**i-03854f11a8e127b7e (Website)**

**Instance summary**

Instance ID: i-03854f11a8e127b7e  
Public IPv4 address: 44.220.151.225 | [open address](#)  
Private IPv4 addresses: 10.0.2.225  
Instance state: Running  
Private IP DNS name (IPv4 only): ip-10-0-2-225.ec2.internal  
Instance type: t2.micro  
VPC ID: vpc-0402607da6c027f78 (MyWebApp) | [open address](#)  
Subnet ID: subnet-03c482bc8284bff11 (PublicSubnet2) | [open address](#)  
IAM Role: LabRole | [open address](#)  
Auto Scaling Group name: -

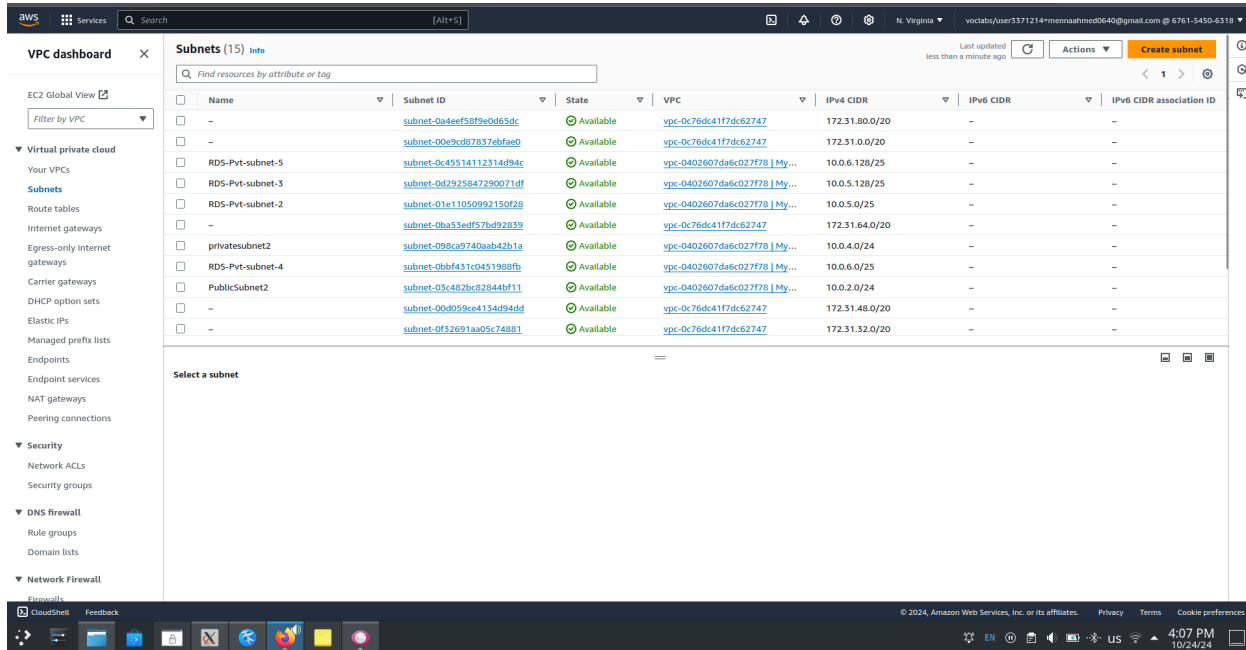
**Instance details**

Platform: Amazon Linux 2  
AMI ID: ami-aws-ec2-us-east-1-676154506318:instance/i-03854f11a8e127b7e

This screenshot shows details of an EC2 instance named "Website" running in AWS. Key information includes:

- **Instance ID:** i-03854f11a8e127b7e
- **Instance state:** Running (indicating it is currently active)
- **Instance type:** t2.micro (a small instance type used for low-cost general-purpose workloads)
- **Private IP:** 10.0.2.225 (used for internal communication within the VPC)
- **Public IP:** 44.220.151.225 (used to access the instance from the internet)
- **VPC ID:** vpc-0402607da6c027f78 (shows the instance belongs to the "MyWebApp" VPC)
- **Subnet ID:** subnet-03c482bc8284bff11 (indicates which subnet the instance is deployed in)
- **IAM Role:** LabRole (this role provides permissions for the instance to interact with AWS services)

## C. Subnets



The screenshot shows the AWS VPC dashboard with a list of 15 subnets. The table includes columns for Name, Subnet ID, State, VPC, IPv4 CIDR, IPv6 CIDR, and IPv6 CIDR association ID. The subnets are listed in descending order of creation time. The first subnet is 'subnet-0a4eef58f9e0d65dc' in the 'Available' state, associated with VPC 'vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747' and having an IPv4 CIDR of '172.31.80.0/20'. Other subnets include 'RDS-Pvt-subnet-5', 'RDS-Pvt-subnet-3', 'RDS-Pvt-subnet-2', 'privatesubnet2', 'RDS-Pvt-subnet-4', 'PublicSubnet2', and 'subnet-0f32691aa05c74881'.

Name	Subnet ID	State	VPC	IPv4 CIDR	IPv6 CIDR	IPv6 CIDR association ID
subnet-0a4eef58f9e0d65dc	subnet-0a4eef58f9e0d65dc	Available	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	172.31.80.0/20	-	-
subnet-0a0e3cd87837ebfae0	subnet-0a0e3cd87837ebfae0	Available	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	172.31.0.0/20	-	-
RDS-Pvt-subnet-5	subnet-0c4551411231d94c	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.6.128/25	-	-
RDS-Pvt-subnet-3	subnet-0d2825847290071df	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.5.128/25	-	-
RDS-Pvt-subnet-2	subnet-01e11050992150f28	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.5.0/25	-	-
subnet-0ba53edf57bd92839	subnet-0ba53edf57bd92839	Available	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	172.31.64.0/20	-	-
privatesubnet2	subnet-098ca9740aab42b1a	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.4.0/24	-	-
RDS-Pvt-subnet-4	subnet-06b6431c0451988fb	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.6.0/25	-	-
PublicSubnet2	subnet-03c482bc82844bf11	Available	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   My...	10.0.2.0/24	-	-
subnet-0d0d59ce4134d94dd	subnet-0d0d59ce4134d94dd	Available	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	172.31.48.0/20	-	-
subnet-0f32691aa05c74881	subnet-0f32691aa05c74881	Available	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	172.31.32.0/20	-	-

This screenshot shows the list of subnets within your Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) in AWS. Key points to note:

- **Subnet names:** You have subnets like **RDS-Pvt-subnet-3**, **PublicSubnet2**, and **privatesubnet2**, indicating both public and private subnets.
- **Subnet IDs:** Unique identifiers for each subnet (e.g., **subnet-0a4eef58f9e0d65dc** for the first subnet).
- **State:** All subnets are in the "Available" state, meaning they are ready for use.
- **VPCs:** Most subnets are associated with either your "MyWebApp" VPC (**vpc-0402607da6c027f78**) or another VPC (**vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747**).
- **IPv4 CIDR blocks:** The IP range assigned to each subnet (e.g., **10.0.0.0/24**, **172.31.80.0/20**). Public subnets typically allow internet traffic, while private subnets are used for internal resources, like databases.

## D. Route Tables

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for the 'Route tables' page. The left sidebar contains navigation links for VPC dashboard, EC2 Global View, and various network services. The main content area displays a table of route tables for a specific VPC. The table has columns for Name, Route table ID, Explicit subnet associations, Edge associations, Main status, VPC, and Owner ID. The first row is selected, showing a PublicRouteTable with ID 'rtb-05f16357376993277'. Below the table, a detailed view for this route table is shown, including tabs for Details, Routes, Subnet associations, Edge associations, Route propagation, and Tags. The Details tab is active, showing the route table ID, Main status (No), Explicit subnet associations (2 subnets), and Edge associations (None).

Name	Route table ID	Explicit subnet associ...	Edge associations	Main	VPC	Owner ID
PublicRouteTable	rtb-05f16357376993277	2 subnets	-	No	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   MyWebApp	676154506318
-	rtb-094dbf0140bc2abd3	-	-	Yes	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   MyWebApp	676154506318
-	rtb-02e7209dbfe9bbf71	-	-	Yes	vpc-0c76dc417dc62747	676154506318
PrivateRouteTable	rtb-0a8d91fc93caa0690	2 subnets	-	No	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   MyWebApp	676154506318
RDS-Private	rtb-0d8527179ca515114	5 subnets	-	No	vpc-0402607da6c027f78   MyWebApp	676154506318

**rtb-05f16357376993277 / PublicRouteTable**

**Details**

Route table ID rtb-05f16357376993277	Main No	Explicit subnet associations 2 subnets	Edge associations -
VPC vpc-0402607da6c027f78   MyWebApp	Owner ID 676154506318		

- **Route Tables:** These are network objects that control how traffic flows within a VPC. The list shows the route table ID, name, number of explicit subnet associations, and other relevant information.
- **Public Route Table:** This is a special type of route table that allows traffic to flow between the VPC and the public internet.
- **Details:** Clicking on a route table likely provides more detailed information about its configuration, including routes, subnet associations, and propagation settings.
- **Actions:** The "Create route table" button suggests that you can create new route tables within this VPC.

## E. Internet Gateways

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for the 'Internet gateways' section. The left sidebar contains navigation links for VPC dashboard, Virtual private cloud, and various network services. The main content area shows a list of internet gateways with columns for Name, Internet gateway ID, State, VPC ID, and Owner. One gateway is selected, and its details are shown below the list.

Name	Internet gateway ID	State	VPC ID	Owner
-	<a href="#">igw-04c0ffa1c296947250</a>	Attached	<a href="#">vpc-0c76dc41f7d62747</a>	676154506318
IGW	<a href="#">igw-0686ab75f25ac2e4f</a>	Attached	<a href="#">vpc-0402607dabc027778   MyWebApp</a>	676154506318

**igw-0686ab75f25ac2e4f / IGW**

**Details**

Internet gateway ID	State	VPC ID	Owner
<a href="#">igw-0686ab75f25ac2e4f</a>	Attached	<a href="#">vpc-0402607dabc027778   MyWebApp</a>	676154506318

- **Internet Gateways:** These are network objects that allow traffic to flow between your VPC and the public internet. The list shows the internet gateway ID, state, VPC ID, and owner information.
- **Details:** Clicking on an internet gateway likely provides more detailed information about its configuration, including the internet gateway ID, state, VPC ID, and owner.
- **Actions:** The "Create internet gateway" button suggests that you can create new internet gateways within this VPC.

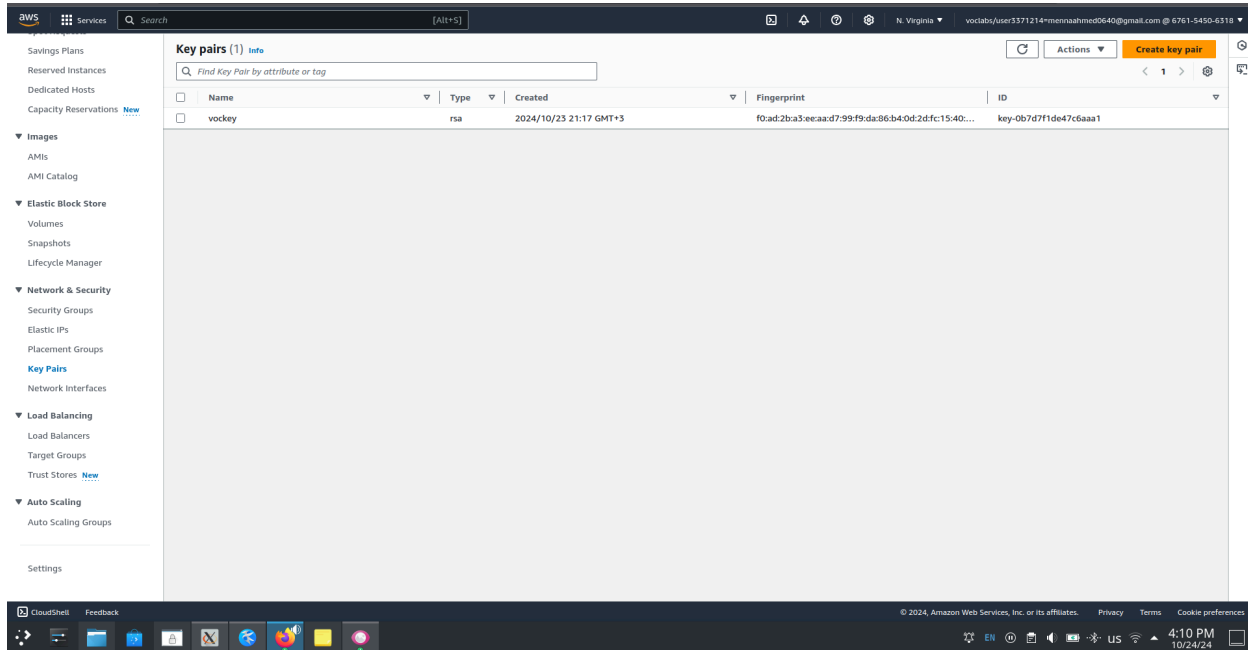
## F. Security Groups

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for the 'Security Groups' page. The left sidebar contains navigation links for various AWS services, including Savings Plans, Reserved Instances, Dedicated Hosts, Capacity Reservations, Images, Elastic Block Store, Network & Security, Load Balancing, and Auto Scaling. The main content area displays a table of security groups. The table has columns for Name, Security group ID, Security group name, VPC ID, Description, and Owner. The list includes several security groups, including 'ALB-SG', 'aws-cloud9-cloud9...', 'default', 'launch-wizard-1', and 'ec2-rds-1'. A 'Create security group' button is located in the top right corner of the main content area. The bottom of the screenshot shows the Windows taskbar with various application icons and the system clock indicating 4:09 PM on 10/24/24.

Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description	Owner
-	sg-0730bdc19d701c931	ALB-SG	vpc-0402607da6c027f78	Allow traffic to EC2	676154506318
aws-cloud9-cloud9...	sg-0ab2b680ebbacc36a	aws-cloud9-cloud9-fb3d15af93a43c...	vpc-0402607da6c027f78	Security group for AWS Cloud9 enviro...	676154506318
-	sg-03d53b89727468713	default	vpc-0c76dc41f7dc62747	default VPC security group	676154506318
-	sg-0858298bd98e33a50	launch-wizard-1	vpc-0402607da6c027f78	launch-wizard-1 created 2024-10-23T...	676154506318
-	sg-089c7b95fbd0ce5e	default	vpc-0402607da6c027f78	default VPC security group	676154506318
-	sg-02c1f1bbe40b1c880	ec2-rds-1	vpc-0402607da6c027f78	Security group attached to instances t...	676154506318

- **Security Groups:** These are network objects that act as virtual firewalls, controlling inbound and outbound traffic for resources within a VPC. The list shows the security group ID, name, VPC ID, and description.
- **Action:** The "Create security group" button suggests that you can create new security groups within this VPC.

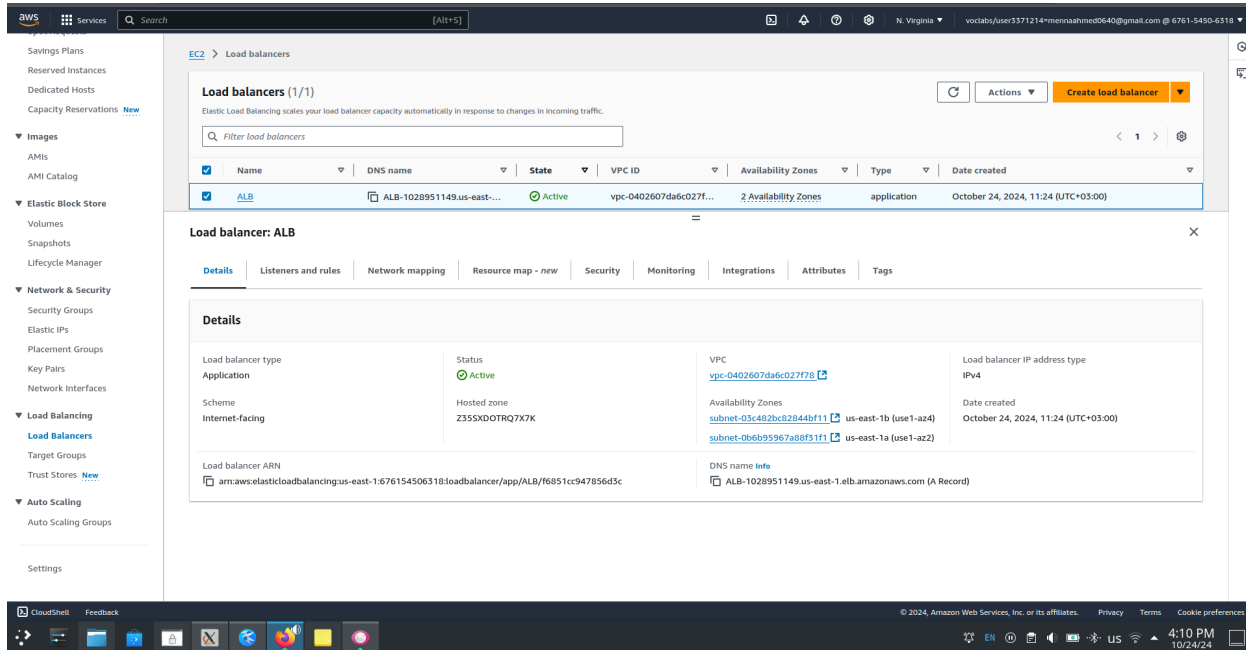
## G. Key Pairs



- **Key Pairs:** These are cryptographic key pairs used for authentication and encryption. The list shows the key pair name, type, created date, and fingerprint.
- **Actions:** The "Create key pair" button suggests that you can create new key pairs within this VPC.

**Overall, this image provides a basic overview of the key pairs present in the VPC and allows you to manage authentication and encryption for resources within your AWS environment.**

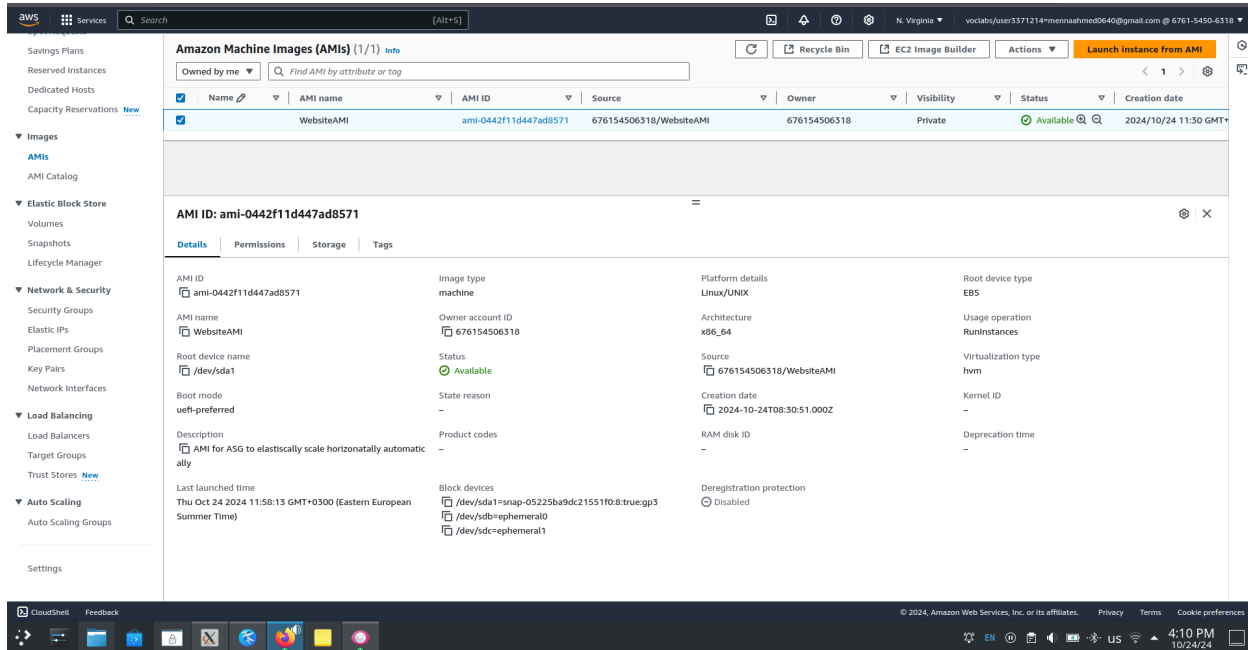
## H. Load Balancers



- **Load Balancers:** These are network objects that distribute incoming traffic across multiple EC2 instances. The list shows the load balancer name, DNS name, state, VPC ID, and other relevant information.
- **Details:** Clicking on a load balancer likely provides more detailed information about its configuration, including listeners, rules, security settings, and health checks.
- **Actions:** The "Create load balancer" button suggests that you can create new load balancers within this VPC.

**Overall, this image provides a basic overview of the load balancers present in the VPC and allows you to manage traffic distribution across your EC2 instances.**

# I. AMIs

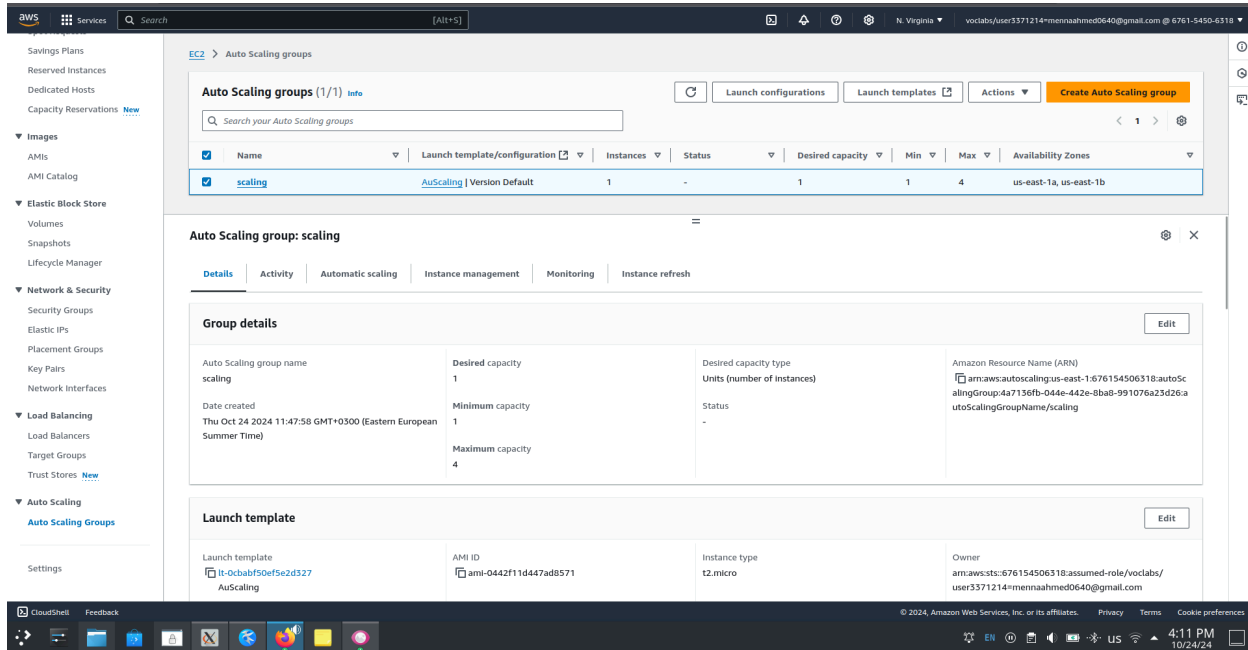


- **AMIs:** These are templates that define the software configuration for an EC2 instance. The list shows the AMI ID, name, owner, and other relevant information.
- **Details:** Clicking on an AMI likely provides more detailed information about its configuration, including platform details, root device type, and kernel ID.
- **Actions:** The "Launch instance from AMI" button suggests that you can create new EC2 instances based on this AMI.

**Overall, this image provides a basic overview of the AMIs available in the VPC and allows you to launch new EC2 instances with specific configurations.**



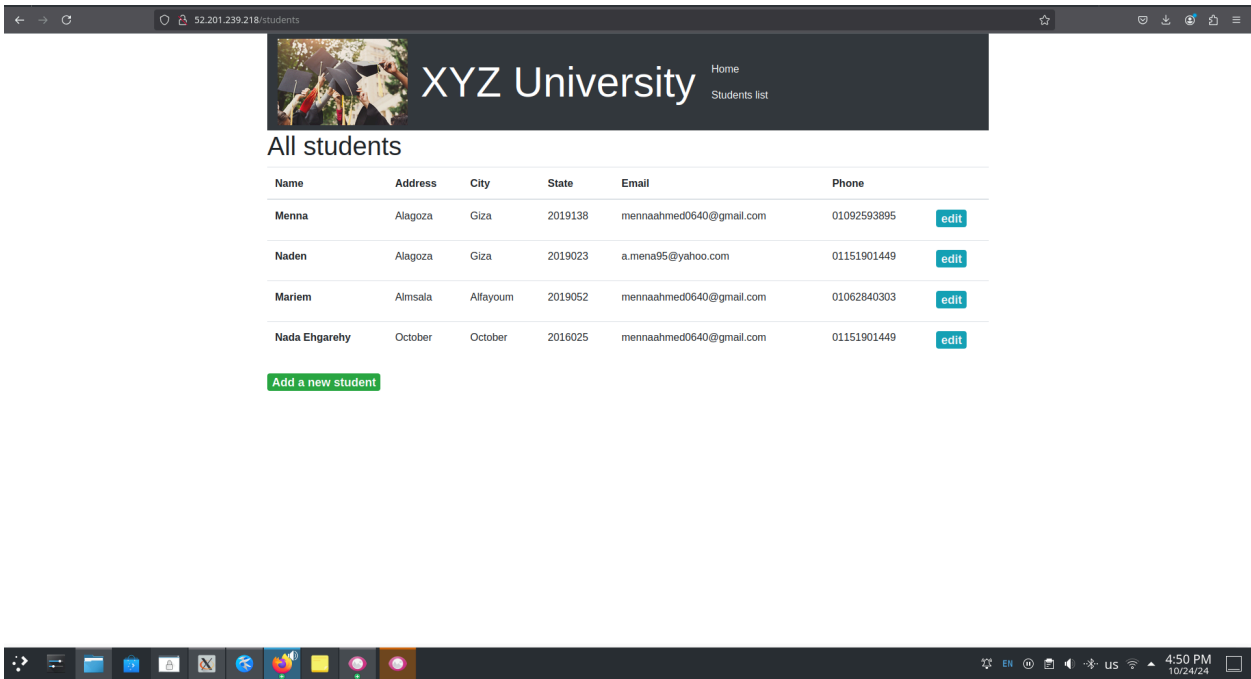
# J. Auto Scaling Groups



- **Auto Scaling Groups:** These are collections of EC2 instances that automatically scale up or down based on demand. The list shows the Auto Scaling group name, launch template, instances, and other relevant information.
- **Details:** Clicking on an Auto Scaling group likely provides more detailed information about its configuration, including desired capacity, minimum and maximum capacity, and health check settings.
- **Actions:** The "Create Auto Scaling group" button suggests that you can create new Auto Scaling groups within this VPC.

**Overall, this image provides a basic overview of the Auto Scaling groups present in the VPC and allows you to manage the scaling of your EC2 instances based on demand.**

# K. Final Testing Deployment:



**In conclusion,** this project successfully demonstrates the design and implementation of a highly available, scalable web application using AWS cloud infrastructure. By leveraging multiple AWS services such as VPC, EC2, RDS, Auto Scaling, and Cloud9, the application is designed to handle traffic fluctuations while ensuring performance and resilience. The architecture follows best practices for security, cost-effectiveness, and scalability, making it an ideal solution for production-level deployment. Additionally, AWS Secrets Manager ensures secure handling of sensitive data, enhancing the overall security of the system. This project highlights the power of cloud technology in building modern, efficient web applications.