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Cloud Computing and DevOps Centre

Monitor a Cloud-Based Application Using Prometheus:
Deploy a Prometheus instance in the cloud to monitor a
web app running on a cloud VM.

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Introduction

Monitoring is a critical aspect of maintaining application performance, reliability, and scalability in modern cloud environments. **Prometheus**, an open-source monitoring and alerting toolkit, is widely used for collecting real-time system metrics and analyzing them through its robust query language, **PromQL**.

This Proof of Concept (POC) demonstrates how to deploy **Prometheus on a cloud-based virtual machine (VM)** to monitor a web application, ensuring system observability and proactive issue detection.

Overview

Prometheus is a powerful, **time-series database** designed for monitoring cloud-native environments. It follows a **pull-based model** to scrape metrics from configured targets and provides flexible querying capabilities for data analysis. This POC focuses on deploying **Prometheus on an AWS EC2 instance** to monitor a web application.

Key Features of Prometheus

- ✓ **Time-series data collection** with labels for filtering and aggregation
- ✓ **Powerful querying capabilities** using PromQL
- ✓ **Built-in service discovery** to detect and monitor cloud resources
- ✓ **Efficient storage and data compression** for high scalability
- ✓ **Integration with visualization tools** like Grafana
- ✓ **Support for alerting and notifications** using Alertmanager

Objectives

The primary goals of this POC are:

- 1. Deploy Prometheus** on a cloud VM (AWS EC2 instance)
- 2. Install and configure Prometheus** for system monitoring
- 3. Enable web access** to Prometheus through port 9090
- 4. Validate the setup** by accessing Prometheus UI
- 5. Understand how Prometheus collects and queries system metrics**

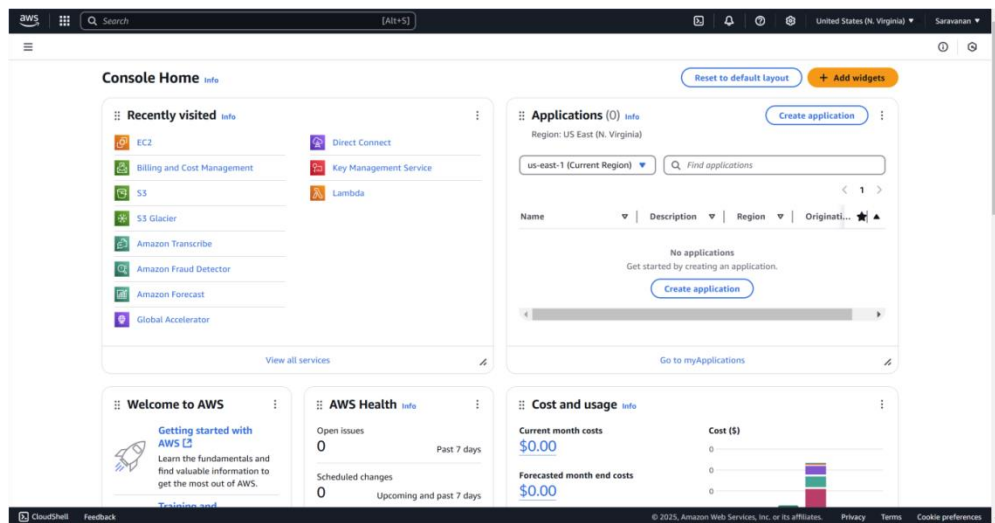
Importance

- 1. Enhances System Observability** – Helps in real-time monitoring of system resources and application performance.
- 2. Proactive Issue Detection** – Enables early detection of performance degradation and resource exhaustion.
- 3. Cloud & Microservices Compatibility** – Integrates seamlessly with Docker, Kubernetes, and cloud environments.
- 4. Simplifies Debugging & Troubleshooting** – Allows detailed analysis of system metrics for issue resolution.
- 5. Supports Scalable Infrastructure** – Works efficiently in dynamic cloud environments with auto-scaling.

Step-by-Step Overview

Step 1:

1. Go to [AWS Management Console](#).
2. Enter your username and password to log in.



Step 2:

1. Navigate to **EC2** → **Launch Instance**.
2. Choose an **Ubuntu** OS.
3. Configure the security group:

Allow inbound rules for:

- SSH (Port **22**) → Your IP
- HTTP (Port **80**) → Anywhere
- Prometheus (Port **9090**) → Anywhere

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EC2 > Instances > Launch an instance

Launch an instance

Amazon EC2 allows you to create virtual machines, or instances, that run on the AWS Cloud. Quickly get started by following the simple steps below.

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Name

prometheus-monitoring

Add additional tags

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Amazon Machine Image (AMI)

Ubuntu Server 24.04 LTS (HVM), SSD Volume Type
ami-04b4f1a9c5c4c11d0 (64-bit x86) / ami-0a74de87939439954 (64-bit Arm)
Virtualization: hvm ENA enabled: true Root device type: ebs

Free tier eligible

Summary

Number of instances 1

Software Image (AMI)
Canonical, Ubuntu, 24.04, amd64...read more
ami-04b4f1a9c5c4c11d0

Virtual server type (instance type)
t2.micro

Firewall (security group)
New security group

Storage (volumes)
1 volume(s) - 8 GiB

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Launch instance

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EC2 > Instances > Launch an instance

Type

ssh

Source type

Anywhere

Security group rule 2 (TCP, 80, 0.0.0.0/0)

Type

HTTP

Source type

Anywhere

Security group rule 3 (TCP, 9090, 0.0.0.0/0)

Type

Custom TCP

Source type

Anywhere

Protocol

TCP

Port range

22

Source

0.0.0.0/0

Description - optional

e.g. SSH for admin desktop

Protocol

TCP

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80

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EC2 > Instances

Instances (1/1)

Find Instance by attribute or tag (case-sensitive)

All states

Name

Instance ID

Instance state

Instance type

Status check

Alarm status

Availability Zone

Public IPv4 DNS

prometheus-...

i-037eb928ff6c20ad5

Running

t2.micro

Initializing

View alarms +

us-east-1a

ec2-52-91-224-79.co

Instance summary

Instance ID
i-037eb928ff6c20ad5

IPv6 address
-

Hostname type
IP name: ip-172-31-95-162.ec2.internal

Public IPv4 address
52.91.224.79 | open address

Instance state
Running

Private IP DNS name (IPv4 only)
ip-172-31-95-162.ec2.internal

Private IPv4 addresses
172.31.95.162

Public IPv4 DNS
ec2-52-91-224-79.compute-1.amazonaws.com | open address

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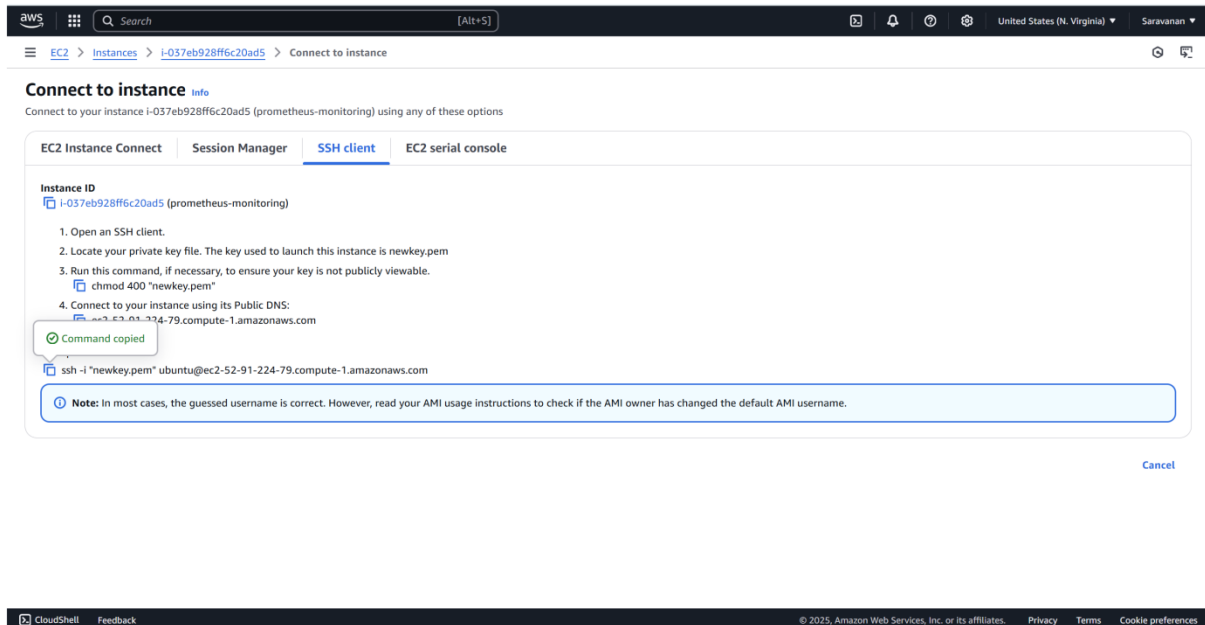
Elastic IPs

https://us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-1#ConnectToInstance:instanceId=i-037eb928ff6c20ad5

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Step 3:

Connect to the instance via SSH in Command prompt.



The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for connecting to an EC2 instance. The breadcrumb navigation at the top reads: EC2 > Instances > i-037eb928ff6c20ad5 > Connect to instance. The main heading is 'Connect to instance' with an 'Info' link. Below it, a message states: 'Connect to your instance i-037eb928ff6c20ad5 (prometheus-monitoring) using any of these options'. There are four tabs: 'EC2 Instance Connect', 'Session Manager', 'SSH client' (which is selected), and 'EC2 serial console'. Under the 'SSH client' tab, the 'Instance ID' is 'i-037eb928ff6c20ad5 (prometheus-monitoring)'. A list of four steps is provided: 1. Open an SSH client. 2. Locate your private key file. The key used to launch this instance is newkey.pem. 3. Run this command, if necessary, to ensure your key is not publicly viewable. A code block shows 'chmod 400 "newkey.pem"'. 4. Connect to your instance using its Public DNS: A code block shows 'ssh -i "newkey.pem" ubuntu@ec2-52-91-224-79.compute-1.amazonaws.com'. A green 'Command copied' tooltip is visible over the command. Below the steps, a note states: 'Note: In most cases, the guessed username is correct. However, read your AMI usage instructions to check if the AMI owner has changed the default AMI username.' A 'Cancel' button is at the bottom right. The footer of the console shows 'CloudShell Feedback', '© 2025, Amazon Web Services, Inc. or its affiliates.', 'Privacy', 'Terms', and 'Cookie preferences'.

```
C:\Users\Hi>cd Downloads
C:\Users\Hi\Downloads>ssh -i "newkey.pem" ubuntu@ec2-52-91-224-79.compute-1.amazonaws.com
```

Step 4:

Run the following command to update the package list and upgrade existing packages:

sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y
```

Step 5:

Run the following command to create a dedicated system user for Prometheus:

sudo useradd --no-create-home --shell /bin/false prometheus

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo useradd --no-create-home --shell /bin/false prometheus
```

Step 6:

Switch to the /tmp directory

cd /tmp

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ cd /tmp
```

Step 7:

Download the latest Prometheus release

curl -LO

<https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.46.0/prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz>

Make sure the file size is correct by running:

ls -lh prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ curl -LO https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.46.0/prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time    Time     Time  Current
           Dload  Upload   Total   Spent    Left  Speed
  0     0    0     0    0     0      0      0  --:--:-- --:--:-- --:--:--     0
100 90.4M 100 90.4M    0     0  90.0M    0  0:00:01  0:00:01 --:--:-- 113M
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ ls -lh prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
-rw-rw-r-- 1 ubuntu ubuntu 91M Mar  2 12:28 prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
```

Step 8:

Extract the downloaded file

tar xvf prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz

This extracts the files from the tar archive.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ tar xvf prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries/
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries/prom.lib
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries/menu.lib
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/NOTICE
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/promtool
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus.yml
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/LICENSE
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/node-disk.html
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/node-cpu.html
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/prometheus.html
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/prometheus-overview.html
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/node.html
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/index.html.example
prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles/node-overview.html
```

Step 9:

Move Prometheus Files:

Run the following commands one by one:

1. Move Prometheus binaries (prometheus and promtool) to /usr/local/bin/

sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus /usr/local/bin/

sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/promtool /usr/local/bin/

2. Set the correct permissions

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/prometheus

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/promtool

3. Create directories for Prometheus configuration and data

```
sudo mkdir /etc/prometheus
```

```
sudo mkdir /var/lib/prometheus
```

4. Move configuration and console files

```
sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus.yml  
/etc/prometheus/
```

```
sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles  
/etc/prometheus/
```

```
sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries  
/etc/prometheus/
```

5. Set ownership for Prometheus files

```
sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus  
/var/lib/prometheus
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus /usr/local/bin/  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/promtool /usr/local/bin/  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/prometheus  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/promtool  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mkdir /etc/prometheus  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mkdir /var/lib/prometheus  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/prometheus.yml /etc/prometheus/  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/consoles /etc/prometheus/  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo mv prometheus-2.46.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries /etc/prometheus/  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus /var/lib/prometheus
```

Step 10:

Check if Prometheus is installed by running:

```
prometheus --version
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ prometheus --version  
prometheus, version 2.46.0 (branch: HEAD, revision: cbb69e51423565ec40f46e74f4ff2dbb3b7fb4f0)  
  build user:   root@42454fc0f41e  
  build date:   20230725-12:31:24  
  go version:   go1.20.6  
  platform:    linux/amd64
```

Step 11:

Create a new service file

1. Run the following command to open the nano text editor:

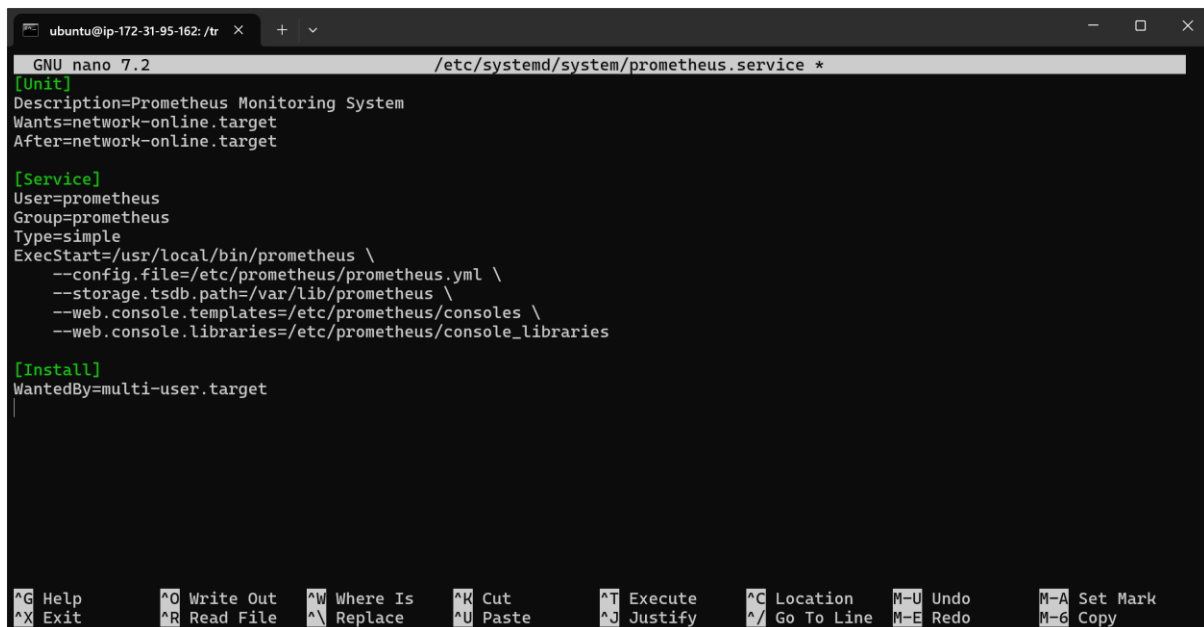
sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service

2. Paste the following configuration

3. Save and exit

Press **CTRL + O** and then **Enter**. Then Press **Ctrl+X**.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service
```



```
GNU nano 7.2 /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service *
[Unit]
Description=Prometheus Monitoring System
Wants=network-online.target
After=network-online.target

[Service]
User=prometheus
Group=prometheus
Type=simple
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/prometheus \
--config.file=/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml \
--storage.tsdb.path=/var/lib/prometheus \
--web.console.templates=/etc/prometheus/consoles \
--web.console.libraries=/etc/prometheus/console_libraries

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target

^G Help      ^O Write Out ^W Where Is  ^K Cut       ^T Execute  ^C Location  M-U Undo     M-A Set Mark
^X Exit      ^R Read File ^\ Replace   ^U Paste     ^J Justify  ^_ Go To Line M-E Redo     M-G Copy
```

Step 12:

1. Reload systemd to recognize the new service

sudo systemctl daemon-reload

2. Enable Prometheus to start on boot

sudo systemctl enable Prometheus

3. Start Prometheus

sudo systemctl start Prometheus

4. Check if Prometheus is running

sudo systemctl status Prometheus

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo systemctl daemon-reload
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo systemctl enable prometheus
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/prometheus.service → /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service.
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo systemctl start prometheus
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ sudo systemctl status prometheus
● prometheus.service - Prometheus Monitoring System
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service; enabled; preset: enabled)
   Active: active (running) since Sun 2025-03-02 12:34:29 UTC; 10s ago
     Main PID: 14738 (prometheus)
        Tasks: 6 (limit: 1130)
      Memory: 15.8M (peak: 16.0M)
         CPU: 56ms
    CGroup: /system.slice/prometheus.service
            └─14738 /usr/local/bin/prometheus --config.file=/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml --storage.tsdb.path=/var/li

Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.272Z caller=tls_config.go:274 level=info com
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.272Z caller=tls_config.go:277 level=info com
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.273Z caller=head.go:755 level=info component
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.273Z caller=head.go:792 level=info component
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.275Z caller=main.go:1047 level=info fs_type=
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.275Z caller=main.go:1050 level=info msg="TSDB
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.275Z caller=main.go:1231 level=info msg="Load
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.280Z caller=main.go:1268 level=info msg="Com
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.280Z caller=main.go:1011 level=info msg="Ser
Mar 02 12:34:29 ip-172-31-95-162 prometheus[14738]: ts=2025-03-02T12:34:29.280Z caller=manager.go:1009 level=info compo
```

Step 13:

Find the Public IP of your EC2 instance

curl -s ifconfig.me

Copy this **public IP**.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ curl -s ifconfig.me
52.91.224.79ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:/tmp$ client_l
```

Step 14:

Open Prometheus in Your Browser

Go to:

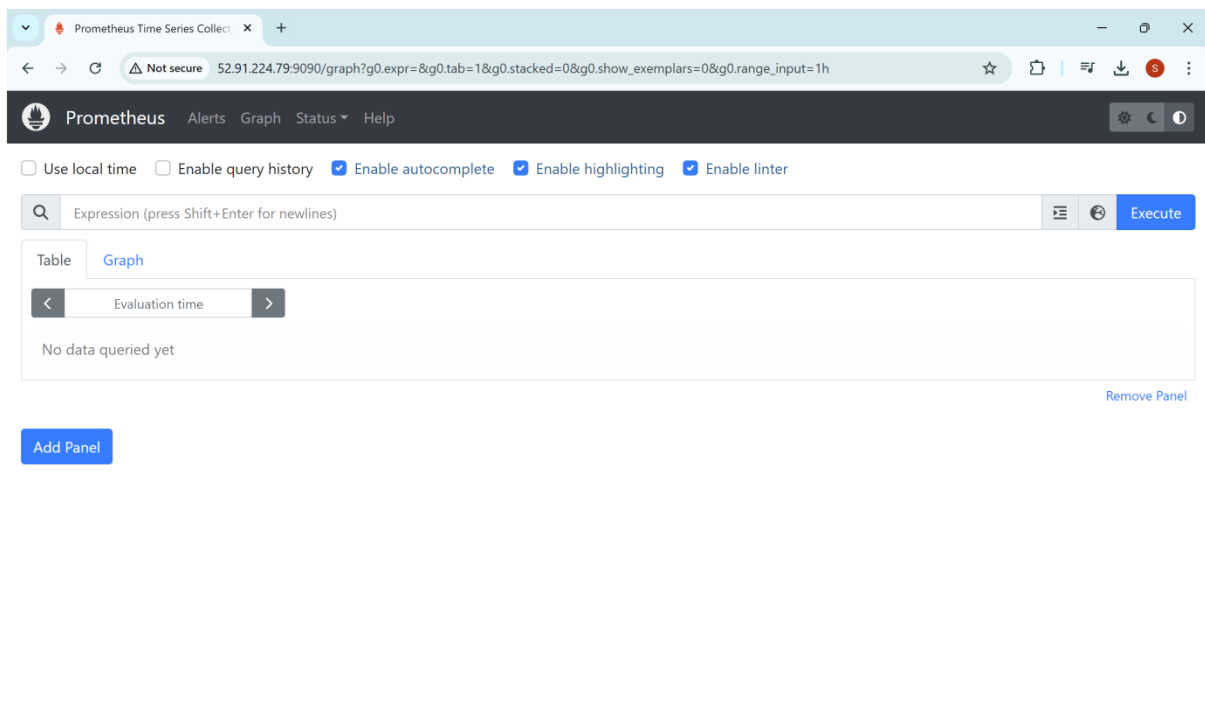
`http://<your-public-ip>:9090`

Replace <your-public-ip> with the EC2 instance's public IP.

3. Verify Prometheus UI

You should see the Prometheus dashboard!

Eg : <http://52.91.224.79:9090>



Step 14:

Set Up a Simple Web App with Prometheus Metrics

We'll create a Python web server using Flask and `prometheus_client`.

Install Required Packages

Run the following command on your VM:

`sudo apt update`

`sudo apt install python3-pip -y`

`pip3 install flask prometheus_client`

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo apt update
sudo apt install python3-pip -y
pip3 install flask prometheus_client
```

Step 15:

Now, create a new Python script for your web app: (Open another command prompt and connect it to ssh and do)

`nano my_web_app.py`

Copy and paste the following code:

This app:

- Runs a web server on **port 5000**.
- Exposes Prometheus metrics on **port 8000**.

Press **CTRL + O** and then **Enter**. Then Press **Ctrl+X** .

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ nano my_web_app.py
```

A screenshot of a terminal window titled 'ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162: ~'. The terminal is running the GNU nano 7.2 text editor, editing a file named 'my_web_app.py'. The code in the file is as follows:

```
from flask import Flask
from prometheus_flask_exporter import PrometheusMetrics

app = Flask(__name__)

# Attach Prometheus exporter
metrics = PrometheusMetrics(app)

@app.route("/")
def home():
    return "Hello, Flask with Prometheus!"

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=5000)
```

The terminal window has a status bar at the bottom with various keyboard shortcuts like ^G Help, ^O Write Out, ^W Where Is, etc.

Step 16:

Install python3-venv

sudo apt update

sudo apt install python3-venv -y

Create a Virtual Environment

python3 -m venv myenv

✓ This creates a new virtual environment named myenv.

Activate the Virtual Environment

source myenv/bin/activate

✓ Your terminal should now show (myenv) at the beginning, indicating the virtual environment is active.

Install Flask and prometheus_client

Now install the required packages:

pip install flask prometheus_client

✓ This installs Flask and prometheus_client inside the virtual environment

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo apt update
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ python3 -m venv myenv
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ source myenv/bin/activate
(myenv) ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ pip install flask prometheus_client
```

Step 17:

Run the web app:

python3 my_web_app.py

Your app is now running!

```
(myenv) ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ python3 my_web_app.py
* Serving Flask app 'my_web_app'
* Debug mode: off
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a production WSGI server instead.
* Running on all addresses (0.0.0.0)
* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5000
* Running on http://172.31.95.162:5000
Press CTRL+C to quit
```

Step 18:

Allow HTTP traffic on ports 5000 :

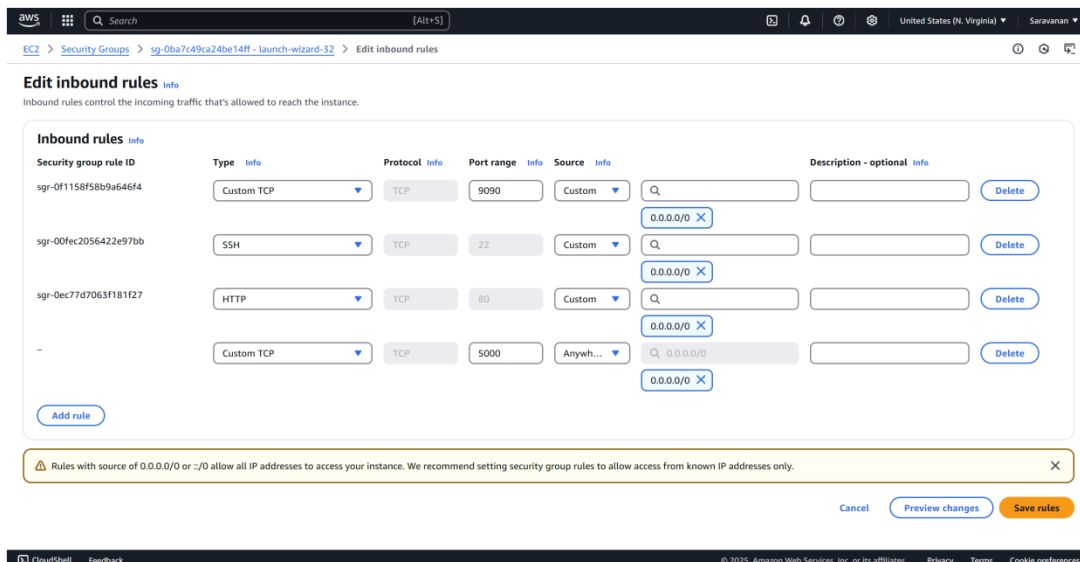
1. Go to **AWS Console** → **EC2** → **Security Groups**.
2. Find the Security Group attached to your instance.
3. Click **Inbound rules** → **Edit inbound rules**.

4. Add a new rule:

Type: Custom TCP

Port Range: 5000

Source: 0.0.0.0/0 (or your IP for security)

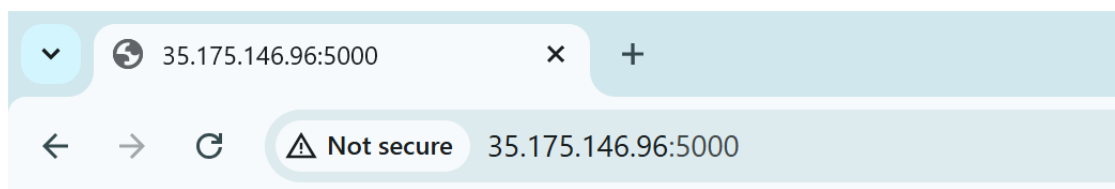


Step 19:

Test Your Flask App

Open a browser and go to:

<http://<your-EC2-public-IP>:5000>



Hello, this is my simple web app!

Step 20:

Edit the Prometheus Configuration File

Run the following command to open the configuration file in **nano** editor:

sudo nano /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml

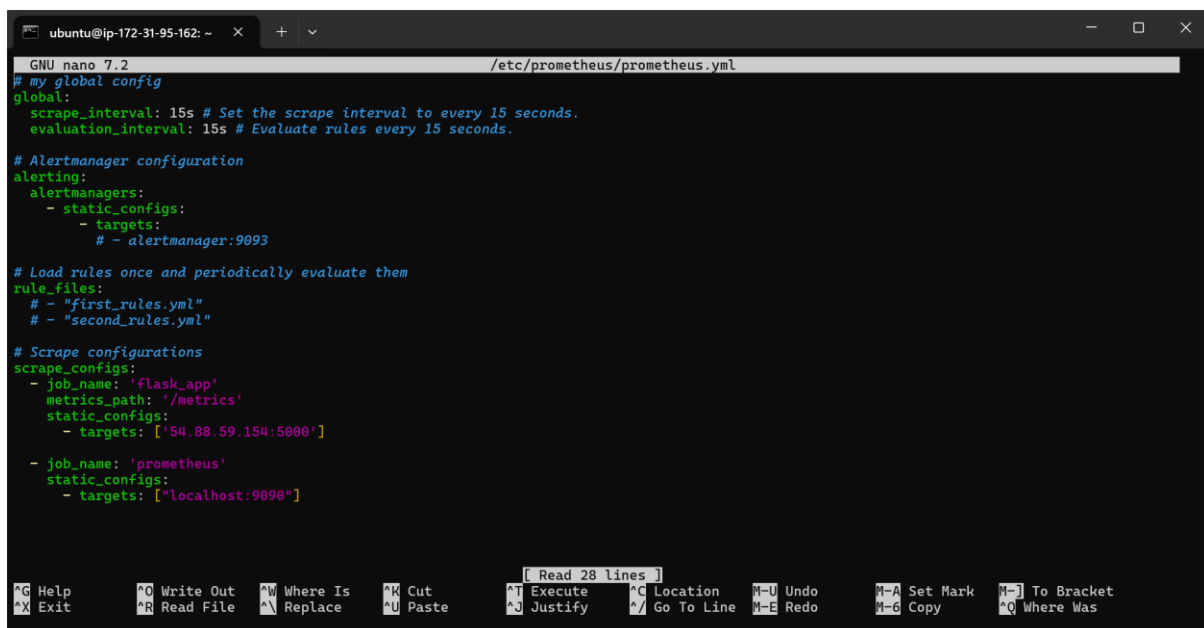
```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo nano /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml
```

Step 21:

Add this scrape job at the end of the scrape_configs section:

Ensure **35.175.146.96:5000** is replaced with your **EC2 public IP**

Press **CTRL + O** and then **Enter**. Then Press **Ctrl+X** .



```
GNU nano 7.2 /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml
# my global config
global:
  scrape_interval: 15s # Set the scrape interval to every 15 seconds.
  evaluation_interval: 15s # Evaluate rules every 15 seconds.

# Alertmanager configuration
alerting:
  alertmanagers:
    - static_configs:
      - targets:
        # - alertmanager:9093

# Load rules once and periodically evaluate them
rule_files:
  # - "first_rules.yml"
  # - "second_rules.yml"

# Scrape configurations
scrape_configs:
  - job_name: 'flask_app'
    metrics_path: '/metrics'
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['54.88.59.154:5000']

  - job_name: 'prometheus'
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['localhost:9090']

[ Read 28 lines ]
^G Help      ^O Write Out ^W Where Is  ^K Cut       ^T Execute  ^C Location  ^U Undo      ^M Set Mark  ^I To Bracket
^X Exit      ^R Read File ^\ Replace   ^J Paste     ^_ Justify  ^/ Go To Line ^E Redo      ^6 Copy      ^Q Where Was
```

Step 22:

1. Activate Your Virtual Environment

source myenv/bin/activate

Make sure the prompt changes to (myenv).

2. Install Prometheus Flask Exporter

Now, install the package inside the virtual environment:

pip install prometheus-flask-exporter

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ source myenv/bin/activate
(myenv) ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ pip install prometheus-flask-exporter
```

Step 23:

Test /metrics Endpoint

Run:

curl -v http://<Your IP>/metrics

```
(myenv) ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ curl -v http://54.88.59.154:5000/metrics
```

Step 24:

Restart Prometheus:

sudo systemctl restart Prometheus

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-95-162:~$ sudo systemctl restart prometheus
```

Step 25:

Open **Prometheus Web UI**:

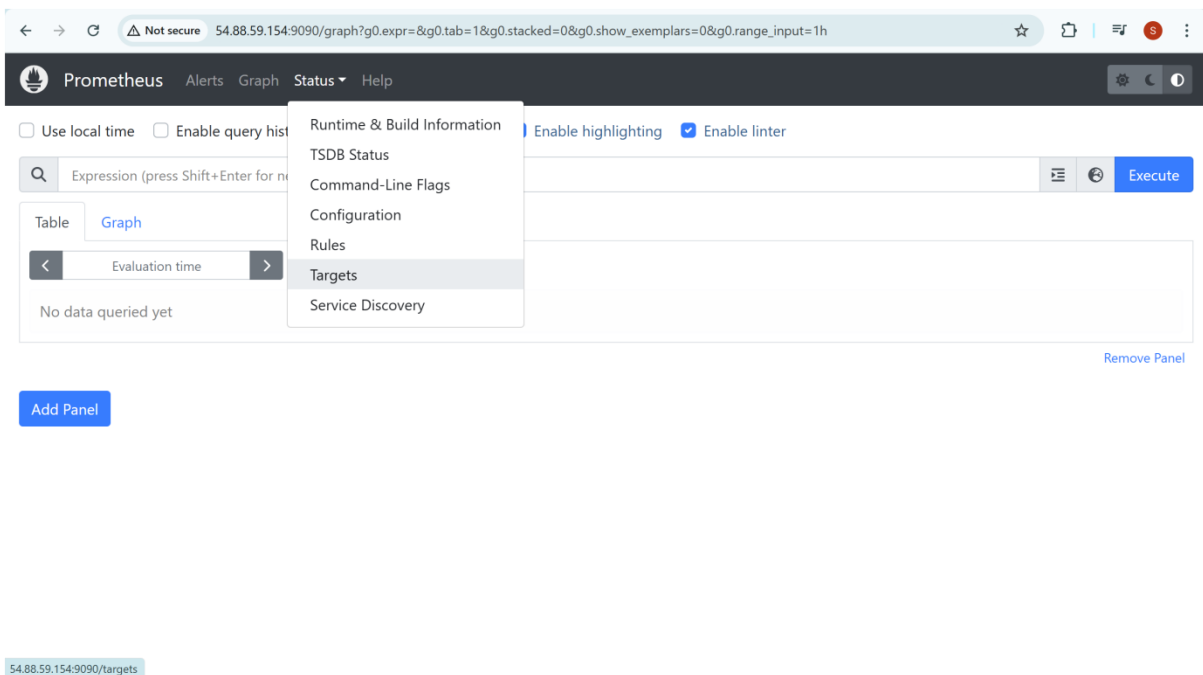
http://<YOUR_PROMETHEUS_IP>:9090

Run up in the Graph tab

- Open **Prometheus UI** → **Graph** tab.
- In the query box, type: `up` and hit **Execute**.
- This should return 1 for each target that is up.

✓ Check Active Targets

- Go to **Status** → **Targets** in Prometheus UI.
- Ensure your targets (like prometheus itself) are **UP** and not **DOWN**.



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Table **Graph**

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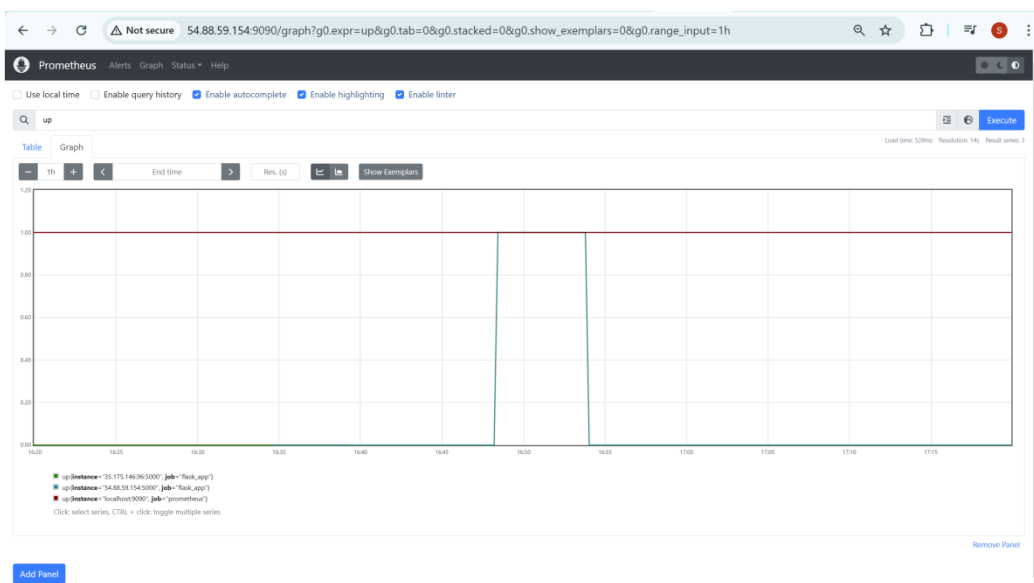
Table **Graph** Load time: 244ms Resolution: 14s Result series: 2

⏪ Evaluation time ⏩

up{instance="54.88.59.154:5000", job="flask_app"}	1
up{instance="localhost:9090", job="prometheus"}	1

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PoC is successfully completed

Installed Prometheus on the cloud VM, added the Flask app (54.88.59.154:5000/metrics) as a target in prometheus.yml, and verified successful metric scraping in Prometheus.

Outcomes

By completing this PoC, you will:

- 1. Install and Configure Prometheus** – Set up Prometheus on a cloud VM to monitor application metrics.
- 2. Integrate Prometheus with a Flask Application** – Expose the Flask app's /metrics endpoint for Prometheus scraping.
- 3. Define Prometheus Scrape Targets** – Modify the Prometheus configuration file to include the Flask app as a monitored target.
- 4. Validate Prometheus Monitoring** – Query Prometheus to confirm successful metric collection from the Flask application.
- 5. Access and Analyze Metrics via Prometheus UI** – Use the Prometheus web interface to visualize and analyze collected data.
- 6. Enhance Observability and Monitoring Skills** – Gain hands-on experience in setting up application monitoring using Prometheus.