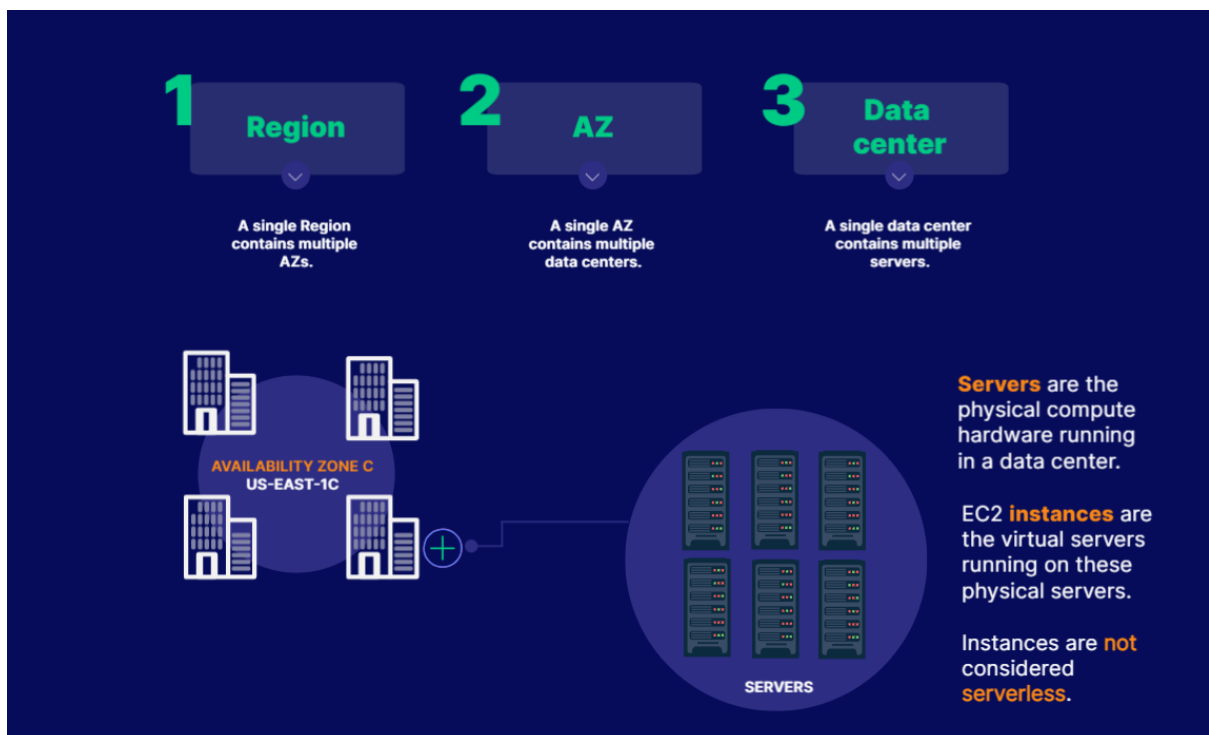
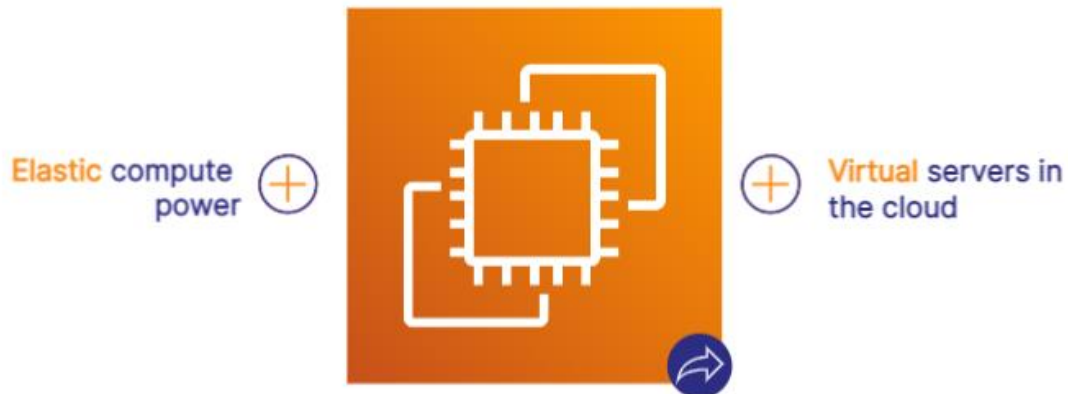


Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2):

- EC2 allows you to rent and manage virtual servers in the cloud.
- EC2 is a foundational service used for managing your virtual instances.



Methods to Access an EC2 Instance

There are several ways to access your EC2 instances.

- ✓ **AWS Management Console**
You're able to configure and manage your instances via a web browser.
- ✓ **Secure Shell (SSH)**
SSH allows you to establish a secure connection to your instance from your local laptop.
- ✓ **EC2 Instance Connect (EIC)**
EIC allows you to use IAM policies to control SSH access to your instances, removing the need to manage SSH keys.
- ✓ **AWS Systems Manager**
Systems Manager allows you to manage your EC2 instances via a web browser or the AWS CLI.

The most common way to connect to Linux **EC2** instances is via **Secure Shell (SSH)**.



Generate a key pair



Connect via SSH



EC2 Pricing Options

There are several pricing options to choose from for your **EC2** instances.

On-Demand

Spot

Reserved Instances

Dedicated Hosts

Savings Plans

On-Demand

- ✓ A fixed price in which you are billed **down to the second** based on the instance type. There is no contract, and you pay only for what you use.
- ✓ Use On-Demand instances when:
 - 1 You care about low cost without any upfront payment or long-term commitment.
 - 2 Your applications have unpredictable workloads that **can't** be interrupted.
 - 3 Your applications are under development.
 - 4 Your workloads will **not** run longer than a year.
- ✓ Fun facts:
You can **reserve capacity** using On-Demand Capacity Reservations. The EC2 capacity is held for you whether or not you run the instance.

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Spot

- ✓ Spot instances let you take advantage of **unused** EC2 capacity. Your request is fulfilled **only** if capacity is available.
- ✓ Use Spot instances when:
 - 1 You are not concerned about the **start** or **stop** time of your application.
 - 2 Your workloads **can** be interrupted.
 - 3 Your application is only feasible at very low compute prices.
- ✓ Fun facts:
 - 1 You can save up to **90%** off On-Demand prices.
 - 2 You pay the spot price that's in effect at the beginning of each hour.

Cheapest Option

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Reserved Instances (RIs)

- ✓ **RIs** allow you to commit to a specific instance type in a particular Region for **1** or **3** years.
- ✓ Use Reserved Instances when:
 - 1 Your application has **steady state usage**, and you can commit to **1** or **3** years.
 - 2 You can pay money **upfront** in order to receive a discount on On-Demand prices.
 - 3 Your application requires a **capacity reservation**.
- ✓ Fun facts:
 - 1 You can save up to **75%** off On-Demand prices.
 - 2 You are required to sign a contract.
 - 3 You can **reserve capacity** in an **Availability Zone** for any duration.
 - 4 You can pay **All Upfront**, **Partial Upfront**, or **No Upfront**. **All Upfront** for the max term earns the highest discount.
 - 5 Provides **convertible types** at 54% discount.

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Dedicated Hosts

- ✓ **Dedicated Hosts** allow you to pay for a physical server that is fully dedicated to running your instances.
- ✓ Use Dedicated Hosts when:
 - 1 You want to **bring your own** server-bound software **license** from vendors like Microsoft or Oracle.
 - 2 You have regulatory or corporate compliance requirements around tenancy model.
- ✓ Fun facts:
 - 1 You can save up to **70%** off On-Demand prices.
 - 2 You bring your existing **per-socket**, **per-core**, or **per-VM** software licenses.
 - 3 There is no multi-tenancy, meaning the server is not shared with other customers.
 - 4 A Dedicated Host is a physical server, whereas a Dedicated Instance runs on the host.

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Savings Plan

✓ **Savings Plan** allows you to commit to compute usage (measured per hour) for **1** or **3** years.

✓ **Use Savings Plans when:**

- 1 You want to lower your bill across multiple compute services.
- 2 You want the flexibility to change compute services, instance types, operating systems, or Regions.

✓ **Fun facts:**

- 1 You can save up to **72%** off On-Demand prices.
- 2 You are not making a commitment to a Dedicated Host, just compute usage.
- 3 Savings can be shared across various compute services like EC2, Fargate, and Lambda.
- 4 This does **not** provide a capacity reservation.



CLASSIC LOAD BALANCERS | APPLICATION LOAD BALANCERS | GATEWAY LOAD BALANCERS | NETWORK LOAD BALANCERS



HORIZONTAL SCALING OR SCALING OUT

Auto Scaling reduces the impact of system failures and improves the availability of your applications.



Do **not** confuse horizontal scaling with vertical scaling (or **scaling up**), which **upgrades** an EC2 instance by adding more power (CPU, RAM) to an **existing** server.



EC2 pricing options

Understand On-Demand, Spot, Reserved Instances, Dedicated Hosts, and Savings Plans.



Horizontal scaling vs. vertical scaling

Horizontal scaling (or scaling out) adds or replaces instances, while vertical scaling (or scaling up) upgrades an existing instance.



Know the types of load balancers

Classic, Application, Gateway, and Network



Understand the benefits of Auto Scaling

Remember Auto Scaling improves the availability of your applications, and don't confuse it with load balancing.



Understand real-world usage of EC2 instances

Deploying a database or a web application



Understand how to connect to an EC2 instance from your local machine

A key pair is needed to access an EC2 instance from your local machine.