

1. Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2)

Description:

Amazon EC2 provides resizable compute capacity in the cloud, allowing users to quickly scale computing resources as needed. It offers a wide selection of instance types optimized for different use cases.

Use Cases:

- Hosting web applications
- Running backend servers
- Batch processing
- Scientific computing

Benefits:

- Flexibility to choose instance types based on performance and cost requirements
- Easy scalability to handle varying workloads
- Pay-as-you-go pricing model
- Integration with other AWS services such as Amazon S3 and Amazon

RDS

Challenges:

Managing instances and ensuring optimal resource utilization

Optimizing costs, especially with on-demand instances

Ensuring proper security configurations and compliance

2. Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3)

Description:

Amazon S3 is an object storage service that offers industry-leading scalability, data availability, security, and performance. It allows storing and retrieving any amount of data from anywhere.

Use Cases:

Backup and restore

Archival storage

Big data analytics

Static website

hosting

Benefits:

Highly durable and available storage solution

Scalable to accommodate any amount of data

Cost-effective with multiple storage classes for different use cases

Secure with robust access control and encryption features

Challenges:

Managing and organizing large volumes of data

Understanding and managing storage costs

Ensuring data security and compliance with regulatory requirements

3. Amazon Relational Database Service (Amazon RDS)

Description:

Amazon RDS makes it easy to set up, operate, and scale a relational database

in the cloud. It supports multiple database engines, including Amazon Aurora, PostgreSQL, MySQL, MariaDB, Oracle, and SQL Server.

Use Cases:

Web and mobile applications

Enterprise applications

Online transaction processing (OLTP)

Data warehousing

Benefits:

Automated backups, patching, and maintenance

High availability with Multi-AZ deployments

Scalability with read replicas

Integration with AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) for security

Challenges:

Fine-tuning database performance

Managing costs, especially for high-availability configurations

Ensuring compliance with data

governance policies

4. Amazon Lambda

Description:

AWS Lambda is a serverless compute service that lets you run code without provisioning or managing servers. You pay only for the compute time you consume.

Use Cases:

Real-time file processing

Data transformation

Backend services for mobile and web applications

Automated backups and event-driven workflows

Benefits:

No server management required

Automatic scaling based on the number of requests

Cost-effective with pay-per-use pricing

Seamless integration with other AWS

services

Challenges:

Cold start latency for infrequently used functions

Debugging and monitoring distributed applications

Managing function deployment and versioning

5. Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC)

Description:

Amazon VPC allows you to provision a logically isolated section of the AWS cloud where you can launch AWS resources in a virtual network you define. It provides control over your network settings, including IP address ranges, subnets, and routing tables.

Use Cases:

Hosting multi-tier web applications

Running isolated development and test

environments

Creating hybrid cloud architectures

Implementing security and compliance requirements

Benefits:

Complete control over the virtual networking environment

Secure communication between AWS resources and on-premises infrastructure

Fine-grained network security with security groups and network ACLs

Integration with AWS Direct Connect for private connectivity

Challenges:

Designing and managing complex network configurations

Ensuring network security and monitoring traffic

Managing costs associated with data transfer and VPC components

6. Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon

EBS)

Description:

Amazon EBS provides persistent block storage volumes for use with Amazon EC2 instances. Each EBS volume is automatically replicated within its Availability Zone to protect from component failure.

Use Cases:

Databases

Enterprise applications

Containerized workloads

Big data analytics

Benefits:

High performance for both throughput and IOPS-intensive workloads

Scalable storage that can be dynamically resized

Backup and restore capabilities with snapshots

Consistent low-latency

performance

Challenges:

Managing and optimizing storage costs

Ensuring data durability and backup strategies

Performance tuning based on workload requirements

7. Amazon CloudFront

Description:

Amazon CloudFront is a fast content delivery network (CDN) service that securely delivers data, videos, applications, and APIs to customers globally with low latency and high transfer speeds.

Use Cases:

Accelerating static and dynamic content delivery

Streaming video and audio

Securing and distributing APIs

Serving software

downloads

Benefits:

Global network of edge locations for low-latency content delivery

Integrated with AWS Shield for DDoS protection

Pay-as-you-go pricing model

Real-time metrics and logs for monitoring

Challenges:

Configuring and managing CDN settings

Ensuring content security and compliance

Optimizing costs based on data transfer and request pricing

8. AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Description:

AWS IAM enables you to manage access to AWS services and resources securely.

You can create and manage AWS users and groups, and use permissions to allow and deny their access to AWS

resources.

Use Cases:

- Controlling access to AWS resources
- Managing user permissions and roles
- Enforcing security policies
- Auditing and monitoring access

Benefits:

- Fine-grained access control to AWS resources
- Integration with multi-factor authentication (MFA) for added security
- Centralized management of users, roles, and permissions
- Compliance with security standards and regulations

Challenges:

- Managing and organizing complex permission structures
- Ensuring least-privilege access across the organization
- Keeping track of changes and auditing access