

Section 9: Databases & Analytics

Databases Intro

- Storing data on disk (EFS, EBS, EC2 Instance store, S3) can have its limits
- Sometimes, you want to store data in db.
- You can structure the data.
- You build indexes to efficiently query/search through the data
- You define relationships between your databases. datasets.
- Databases are optimized for a purpose and come with different features, shapes and constraints.

Databases & shared Responsibility on AWS.

- AWS offers use to manage different databases

- Benefits include:

1] Quick Provisioning, High availability, Vertical & Horizontal Scaling

2] Automatic Backup & Restore, Operations, upgrades

3] Operating System Patching is handled by AWS.

4] Monitoring, alerting

- Note :- many databases technologies could be run on EC2, but you must handle yourself the resiliency, backup, patching, high availability, fault tolerance, scaling.

Amazon RDS Overview

- RDS stands for **Relational Database Service**
- It's managed DB service for DB use **SQL** as a query language.
- It allows you to create databases in the cloud that are managed by AWS

1] Postgres

2] MySQL

3] MariaDB

4] Oracle

5] Microsoft SQL Server

6] IBM DB2

7] Aurora (AWS Proprietary database)

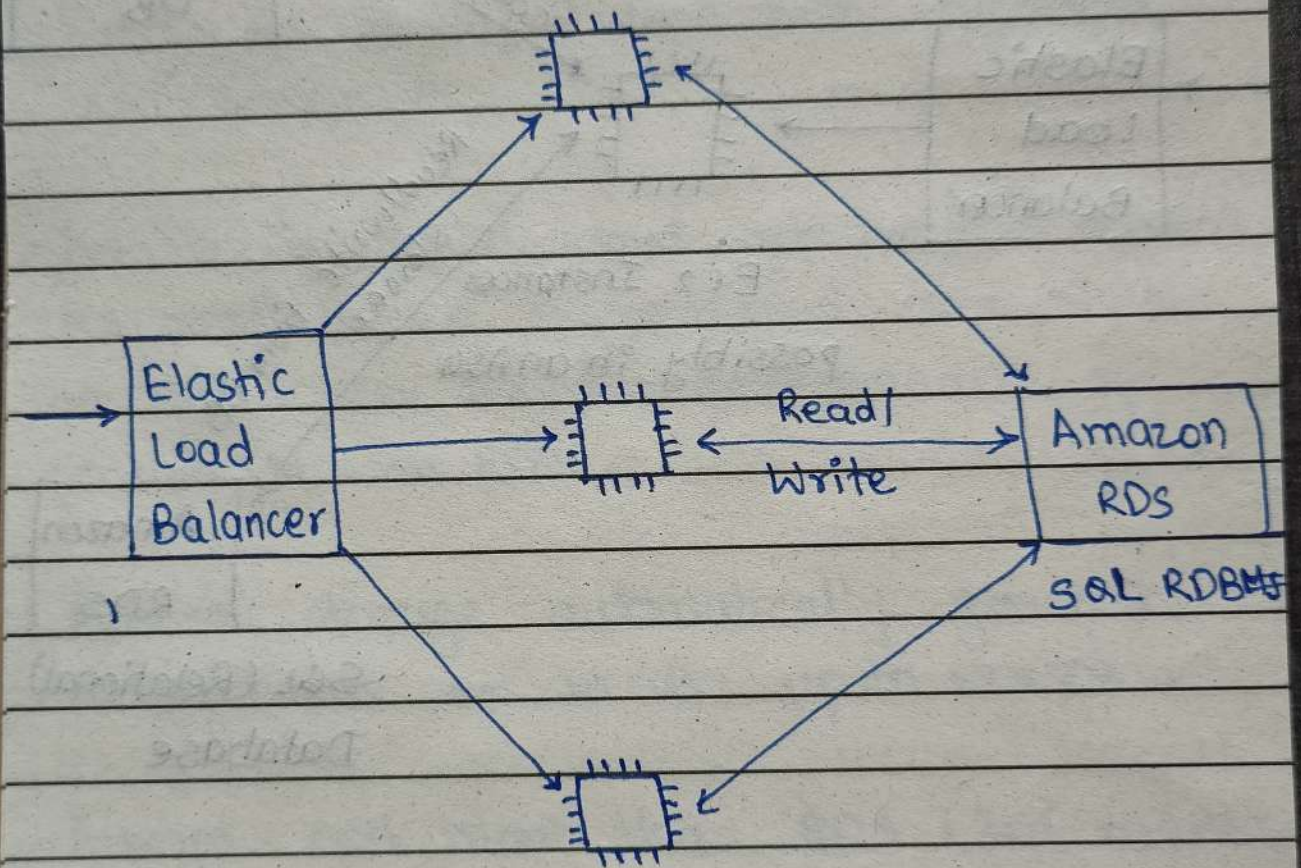
Advantages over using RDS versus Deploying DB on EC2.

* RDS is managed service:

- 1] Automated provisioning, OS patching
- 2] Continuous backups & restore to specific timestamp (Point in Time Restore)!
- 3] Monitoring dashboards.
- 4] Read replicas for improved read performance.
- 5] Multi AZ setup for DR (Disaster Recovery)
- 6] Maintenance windows for upgrades
- 7] Scaling capabilities (vertical & Horizontal)
- 8] Storage backed by EBS.

• BUT you can't SSH into your instances

* RDS Solution Architecture



EC2 Instances
Possibly in an ASG

Amazon Aurora (Relational DB)

- Aurora is a **proprietary technology** from **AWS** (not open sourced)
- **PostgreSQL** & **MySQL** are both supported as Aurora DB.
- Aurora is "AWS cloud optimized" & claims 5x performance improvement over MySQL on RDS, over 3x the performance of PostgreSQL on RDS.
- Aurora storage automatically grows in increments of 10 GB, up to 128 TB.
- Aurora cost more than RDS (20% more) - but its more efficient
- Not in the free tier

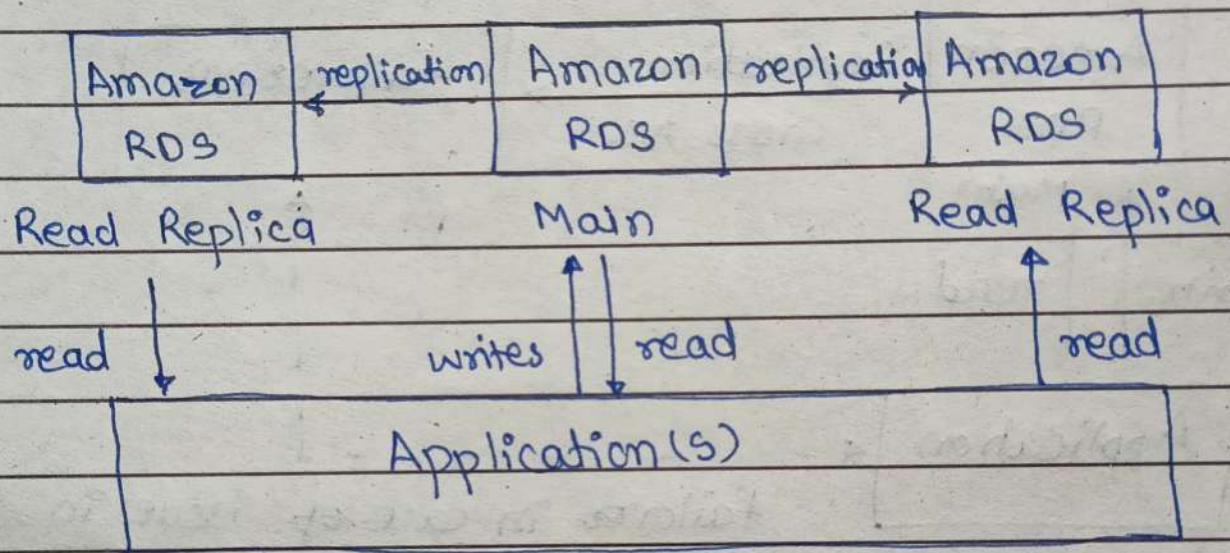
Amazon Aurora Serverless

- Automated database instantiation & auto-scaling based on actual usage.
- PostgreSQL & MySQL are both supported as Aurora Serverless DB.
- No capacity planning needed.
- Least management overhead.
- Pay per second, can be more cost-effective.
- Use Cases: good for infrequent, intermittent or unpredictable workloads.....

RDS Deployments: Read Replicas, Multi-AZ

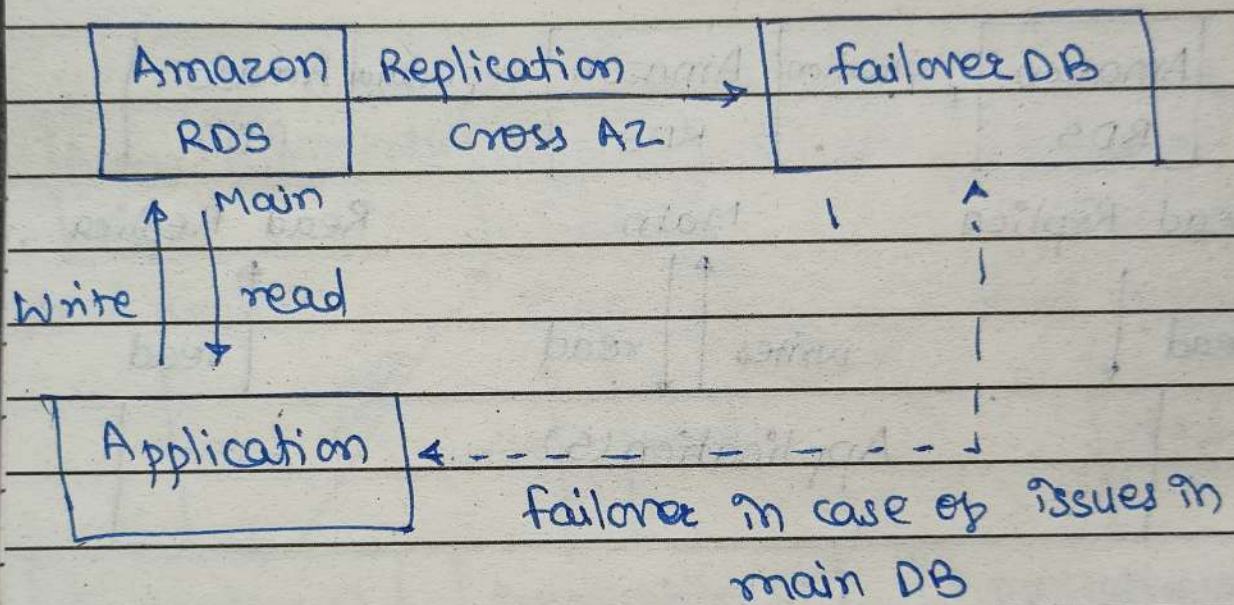
- Read Replicas:

- Scale the read workload of your DB.
- Can create upto 15 Read Replicas.
- Data is only written to the main DB.



- **Multi-AZ :**

- **failover** in case of AZ outage (**high availability**)

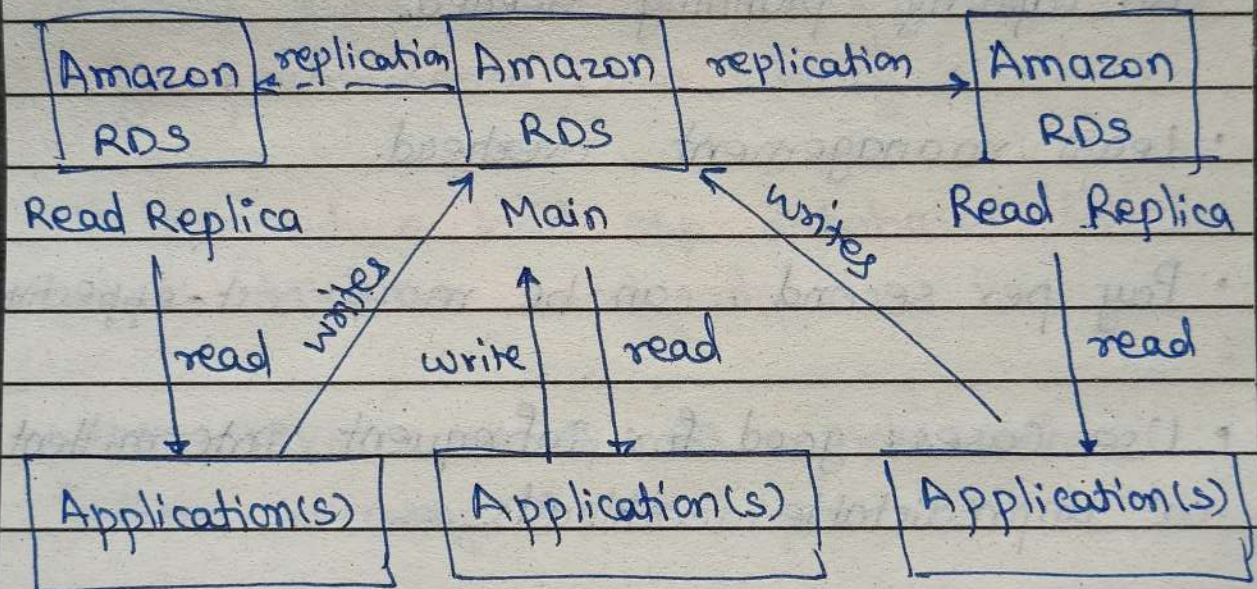


- Data is only read/written to the main database.
- Can only have 1 other AZ as failover.

RDS Deployments : Multi-Region

+ Multi-Region (Read Replicas)

- Disaster recovery in case of region issue
- Local performance for global reads.
- Replication cost

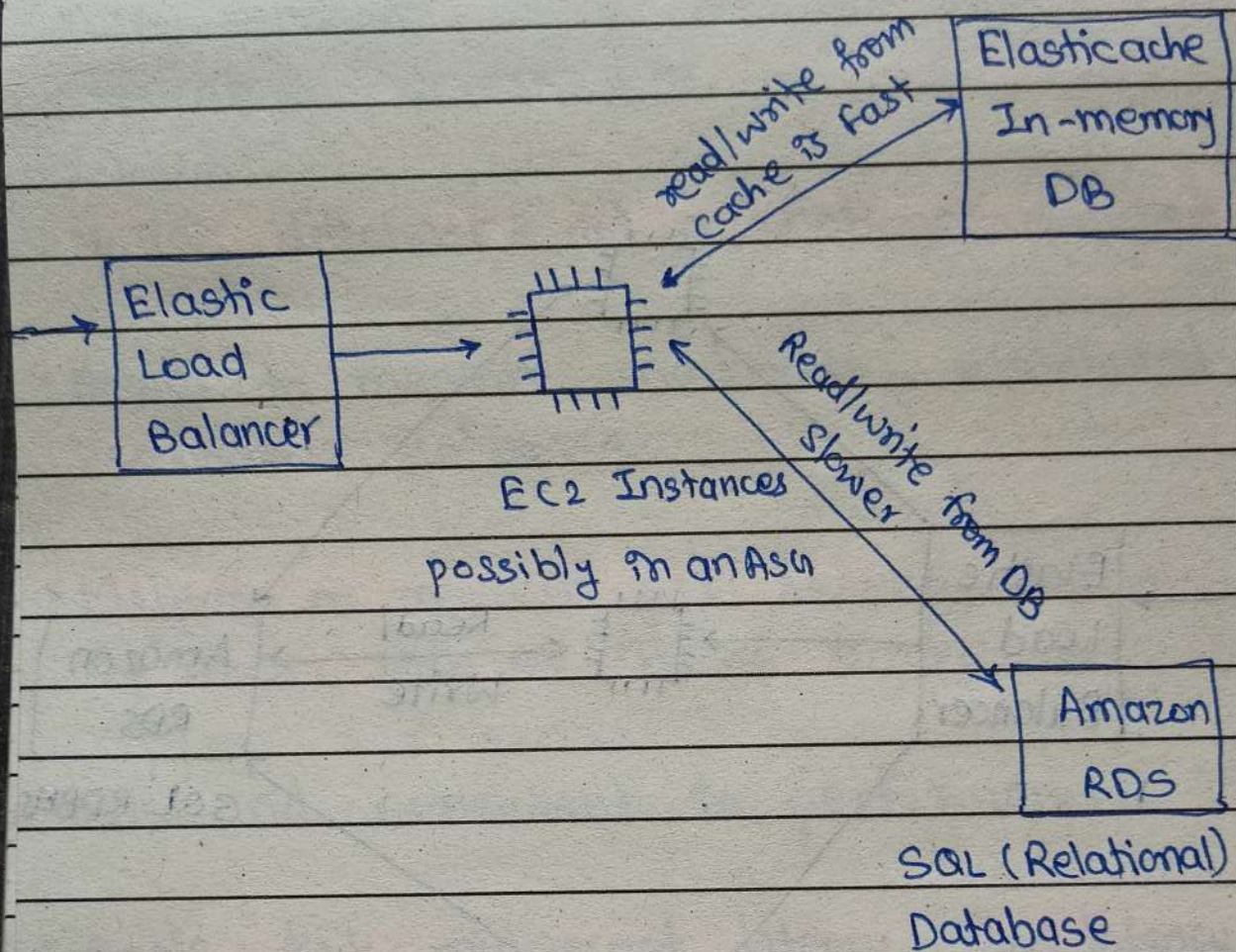


It's used for OLTP.

Amazon ElastiCache Overview

- The same way RDS is ~~go~~ to get managed Relational Databases....
- ElastiCache is to get managed Redis or Memcached.
- Caches are in-memory databases with high-performance, low latency.
- Helps reduce load off databases for read intensive workloads.
- AWS takes care of OS maintenance, failure recovery & backups

* Elasicache Solution Architecture - Cache



DynamoDB

- Fully managed Highly available with replication across 3 AZ.
- NoSQL database - not a relational database
- Scales to massive workloads, distributed "serverless" database.
- Millions of requests per seconds, billions of rows, 100s of TB of storage
- Fast and consistent in performance.
- Single digit millisecond latency - low latency retrieval.
- Integrated with IAM for security, authorization & administration.
- Low-cost & auto scaling capabilities.
- Standard & Infrequent Access (IA) Table Class.

DynamoDB - type of data

- DynamoDB is a keyvalue database

DynamoDB Accelerator - DAX

- Fully Managed in-memory cache for DynamoDB
- 10x Performance improvement - single-digit millisecond latency to microseconds latency when accessing your DynamoDB tables.
- Secure, highly scalable & highly available
- Difference with ElastiCache at the ccp level: DAX is only used for and is integrated with DynamoDB, while ElastiCache can be used for other databases.

DynamoDB - Global Tables

- Make a DynamoDB table accessible with **low latency** in multiple - regions.
- **Active - Active** replication (**read/write** to any AWS region)

