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Set Up a Virtual Machine in the CloudCreate a free-tier AWS, Azure, or GCP account. Launch a virtual machine and SSH into it.



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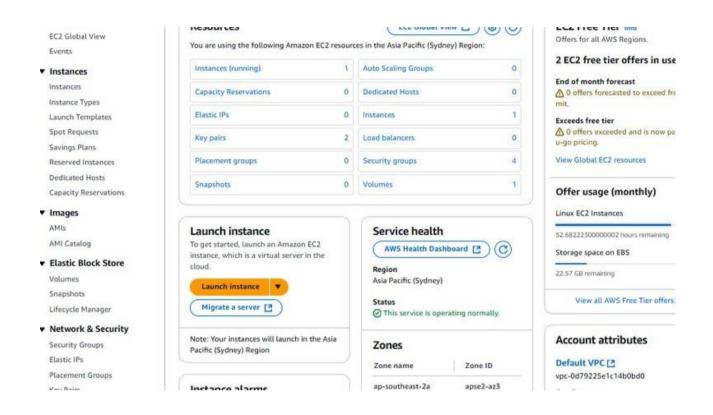
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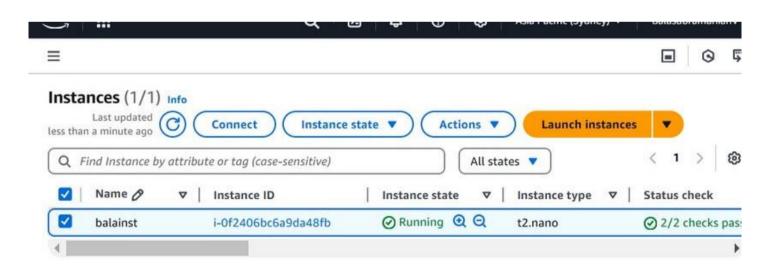


Introduction: AWS (Amazon Web Services) offers a Free Tier that allows users to create and use virtual machines (EC2 instances) at no cost for up to 750 hours per month. This guide will walk you through setting up an EC2 instance and connecting to it using SSH.

- Step 1: Create a Free-Tier AWS Account Go to AWS Free Tier.
- Click "Create an AWS Account."
- Enter your email, create a password, and choose an AWS account name.
- Provide billing information (AWS requires a credit card but will not charge you under the Free Tier).
 Verify your phone number.
- Select "Basic Support Free" and complete the setup.
 - Sign in to the AWS Management Console.

Step 2: Launch an EC2 Virtual Machine (Instance)





• Open the AWS Management Console and go to EC2 by searching for it in the search bar. Click "Launch • instance." Set up the instance: Name: Enter a • name for your instance (e.g., "MyFirstVM"). AMI • (Amazon Machine Image): Choose Amazon Linux 2 (free-tier eligible). Instance type: Select t2.micro • (1 vCPU, 1GB RAM, free-tier eligible). Create a Key Pair (For SSH Access) Click "Create a new key • pair." Name it (e.g., "my-key-pair"). Choose RSA as the key type. Click "Create key pair" (it will download a .pem file). Keep this .pem file safe; you will need it to connect via SSH. Security Group • Configuration: Select "Create new security group." Allow SSH traffic by adding a rule: Type: SSH Protocol: TCP Port Range: 22 Source: Your IP (recommended) or Anywhere (0.0.0.0/0) Launch the instance by clicking "Launch Instance." Go to EC2 Dashboard > Instances, and wait for the instance to show the status "Running."

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Step 3: Connect to Your Virtual Machine via SSH

- For Windows (Using PowerShell or Git Bash)
- Open a terminal (PowerShell or Git Bash).
- Navigate to the folder where your .pem key file is saved.
- Run the following command to connect:
- sh
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Install the latest PowerShell for new features and improvements! https://aka.ms/PSWindows PS C:\Users\ASUS> ssh -i "my-key-pair.pem" ec2-user@your-public-ip

- Replace my-key-pair.pem with your key file name.
- Replace your-public-ip with the Public IPv4 address from the EC2 instance details

Step 4: Verify Connection

If the connection is successful, you should see a prompt like:

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- Next Steps
- Install software using yum or apt (depending on the OS).
- Set up a web server (Apache, Nginx).
- Configure firewall settings.

Conclusion:- Setting up a virtual machine on AWS Free Tier is a straightforward process that allows users to explore cloud computing at no cost. By following the

outlined—creating an **AWS** steps account, launching an EC2 instance, configuring SSH access, and connecting via the terminal—you now have a Timstional cloud-based server. virtual machine can be used for various applications, such as web hosting, development, or data processing. As a next step, consider securing your instance, installing necessary software, and optimizing its performance for your specific use case. AWS provides a scalable environment, making it easy to upgrade or expand your infrastructure as needed. Happy cloud computing!