We want a managed database







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Scope & focus

- MySql Engine
- No global replication
- Not about database migrations

Our use cases

- Manage database with CDK (if possible)
- Simplify database setup
- Simplify management
 - o automatic version upgrade (if possible)
- Improve migration testing pipeline (bonus)

- Continuously available for read operations
- Predictable solution

AWS Offering

RDS & Aurora

AWS RDS Database solutions

RDS DB Instance

- single instance
- option for multi AZ with asynchronous replication

- selected versions, OS patching, backups, replication setup
- custom topologies, manual version upgrades procedures

RDS DB Cluster

- multi-server deployment
- 3 AZ with *semisynchronous* replication

- selected versions, OS patching, backups, replication setup
- reader endpoint
- rolling minor version upgrades
- not supported: snapshot copying, storage autoscaling, major version upgrades, only 3 instances

Aurora DB Cluster

- cluster at a volume level spread across 3 AZs (SAN)
- up to 15 read replicas (compute nodes)

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- reader endpoint
- faster failovers, replica autoscaling, cluster clone, ZDP feature, LOAD DATA FROM S3

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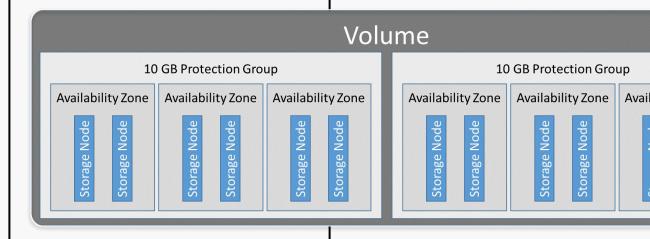
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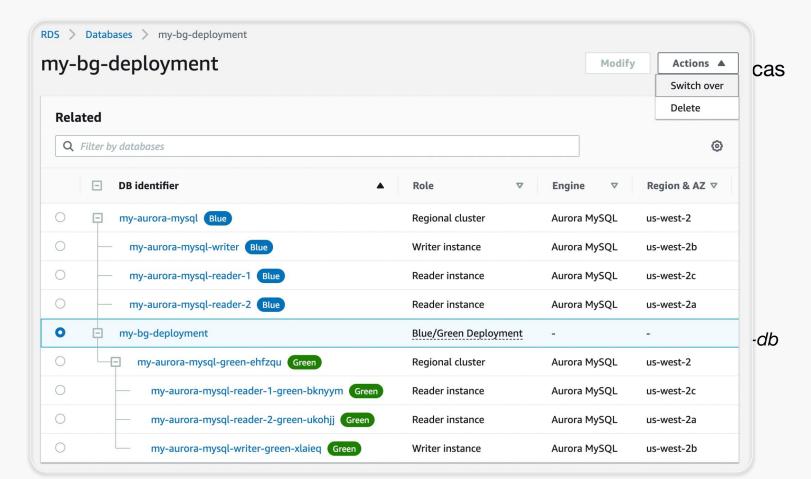
- Connection pooling
- IAM Authentication
- Monitoring DB Cluster topology AWS Advanced JDBC Wrapper Driver
- Limitations with DB Instance

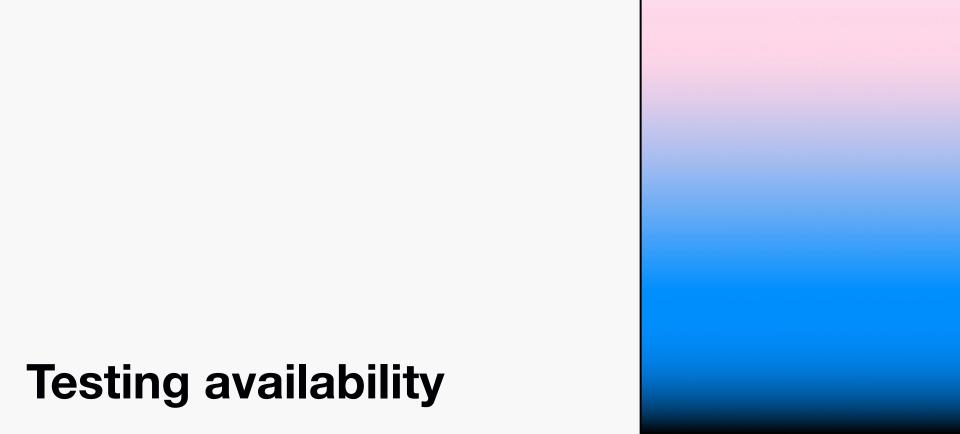


AWS RDS Blue/Green Deployment

- Creates a complete copy of the current environment including read replicas
- Supports some migrations/changes at the creation
- Switchover guardrails
 - o Green: Replication health, lag, active writes
 - Blue: Long-running active writes, DDL statements, external replication
- Switchover procedure
 - Guardrails
 - Stop writes
 - Drop connections
 - Wait for replication to catch up
 - \circ Rename: $main-db \rightarrow main-db-old1$ and $main-db-green-axy309 \rightarrow main-db$
 - Allow connections
 - Enable writes on new blue
- Avoid unpredictable timings and issues during upgrade
- Not available in CloudFormation

AWS RDS Blue/Green Deployment





Application

Simple NodeJS App

Prometheus metrics - Histogram of latency

Read and/or write operation

```
tester.ts
       import mysql from 'mysql2/promise'
       const pool = await mysql.createPool({
           host: process.env.MYSQL HOST,
           waitForConnections: false,
           connectTimeout: 500,
           connectionLimit: 1000,
       })
   10
       // Continuously query database
       const query = async () => {
   14
           pool.query({
               sql: 'SELECT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP',
               timeout: 100.
               rowsAsArray: true,
                .then(() => {
                   queryDuration.labels('success').observe(duration)
                })
                .catch((error) => {
                   queryDuration.labels(error.code).observe(duration)
               })
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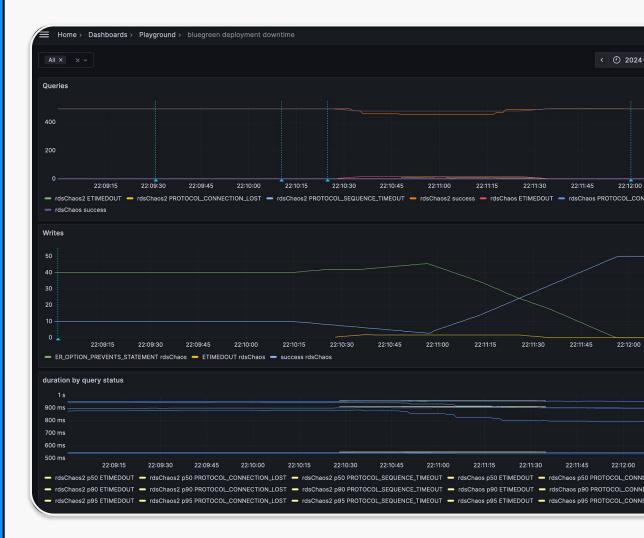
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```
.catch((error) => {
                 queryDuration.labels(error.code).observe(duration)
             })
    // Continuously write database
    const write = async () => {
30
        pool.query({
             sql: 'INSERT INTO test (app_ts, db_ts) VALUES (?, CURRENT_
            timeout: 1000,
             values: [date],
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             .then(() => {
                writeDuration.labels('success').observe(duration)
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            })
             .catch((error) => {
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             })
    setInterval(() => {
        query()
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    }, 10)
    setInterval(() => {
        write()
49 }, 100)
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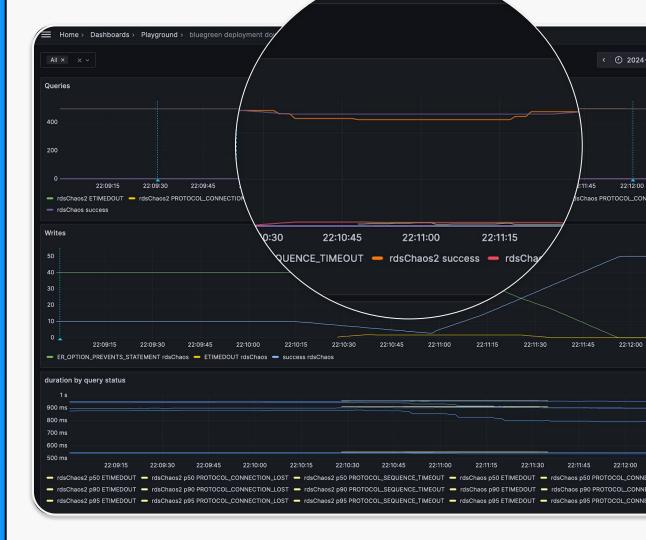
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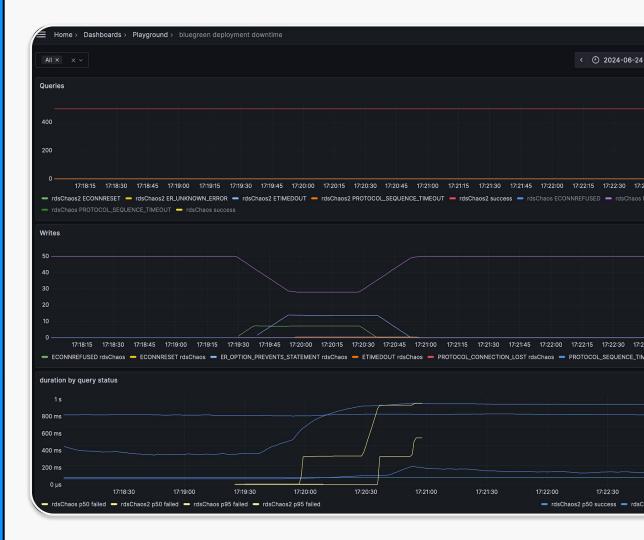
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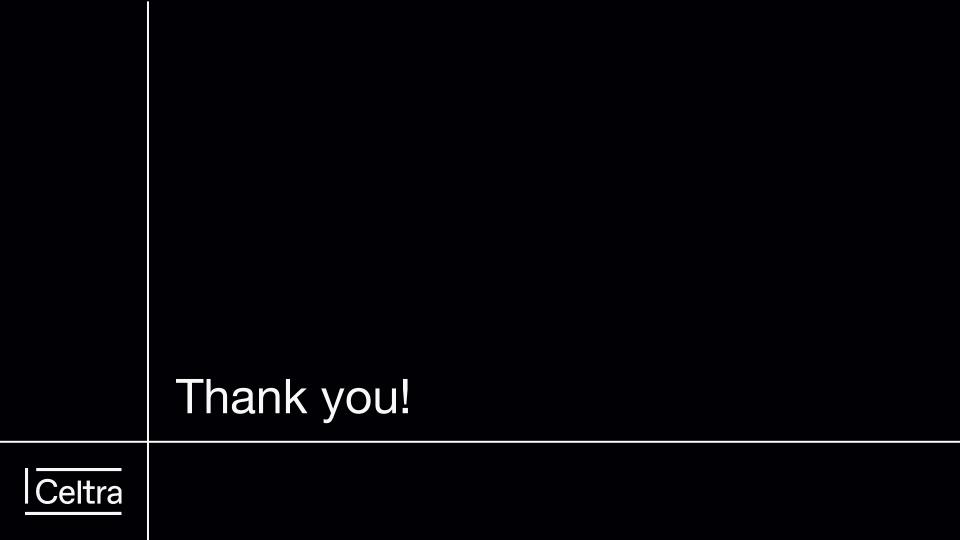
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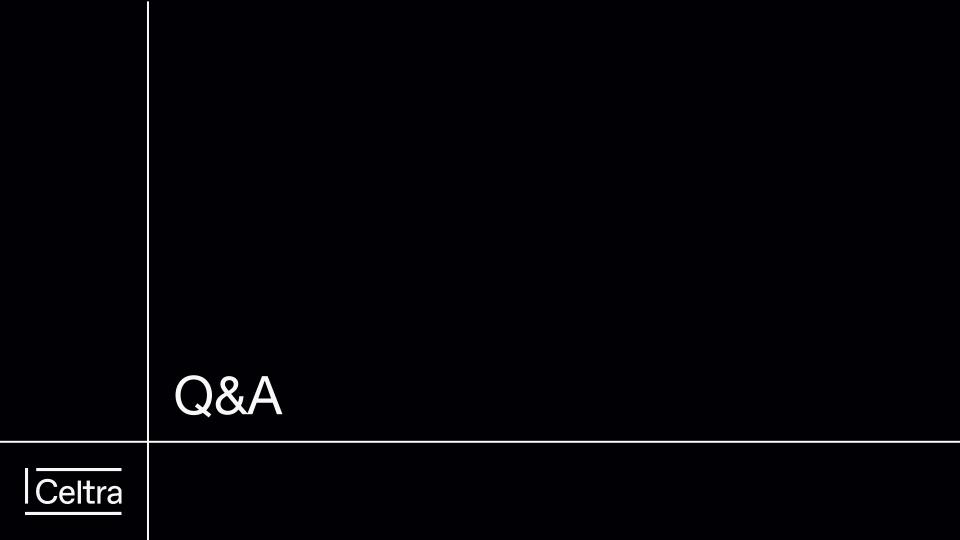




What can we do

- Try managed database in Dev & Test environment
- Improve application
- Further testing and benchmarking Aurora
- Review cost





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