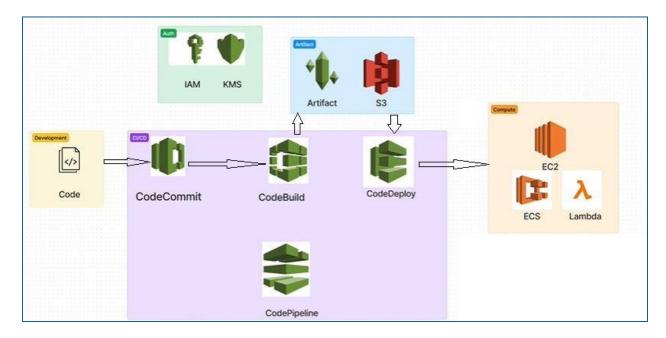
CI/CD Automation on AWS

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Overview:

The CI/CD Architecture on AWS streamlines the development lifecycle by automating key processes from code development to deployment. It encompasses various AWS services and tools to ensure efficient and reliable delivery of software applications.

AWS Services Used:

- AWS IAM (Identity and Access Management)
- AWS KMS (Key Management Service)
- AWS S3 (Simple Storage Service)
- AWS CodeCommit
- AWS CodeBuild
- AWS CodeDeploy
- AWS CodePipeline

Overview:

The CI/CD Architecture on AWS is designed to enhance development efficiency and reliability by automating key stages of the software delivery process. It begins with authentication services provided by IAM, ensuring secure access to resources. KMS facilitates encryption and decryption of sensitive data. Artifacts and S3 serve as storage solutions for code and related files.

The pivotal components of the architecture include CodeCommit for version control, CodeBuild for building applications, CodeDeploy for deploying applications, and CodePipeline for orchestrating the entire workflow.

Implementation Steps:

1. Setup IAM:

- Create IAM users with appropriate permissions for accessing AWS services.
- Assign IAM policies such as 'AWSCodeCommitPowerUser' to grant necessary access.

2. Utilize KMS:

- Use KMS to manage encryption keys for securing sensitive data and code.

3. Storage Configuration:

Store code artifacts and related files in Amazon S3 buckets for easy access and version control.

4. CodeCommit Setup:

- Create repositories in AWS CodeCommit to store and manage source code.
- Configure access permissions for users or teams to interact with repositories.

5. Code Build Process:

- Set up AWS CodeBuild projects to automate the build process.
- Define build specifications in a 'buildspec.yml' file to specify the build tasks.
- Configure build environments and specify build triggers.

6. Code Deployment:

- Configure AWS CodeDeploy to automate the deployment of code to EC2 instances.
- Create deployment groups and application configurations in CodeDeploy.
- Define deployment specifications in an 'appspec.yml' file to outline the deployment process.
- Install and configure the CodeDeploy agent on EC2 instances.

7. Code Pipeline Configuration:

- Create a pipeline in AWS CodePipeline to automate the end-to-end software delivery process.
- Specify source, build, and deploy stages in the pipeline.
- Configure triggers to initiate pipeline execution upon code changes.

Result

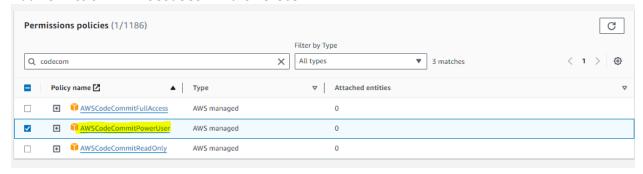
The successful implementation of the CI/CD Architecture on AWS enables seamless code management, building, testing, and deployment processes. Developers can efficiently commit code changes, trigger automatic builds, and deploy applications with confidence.

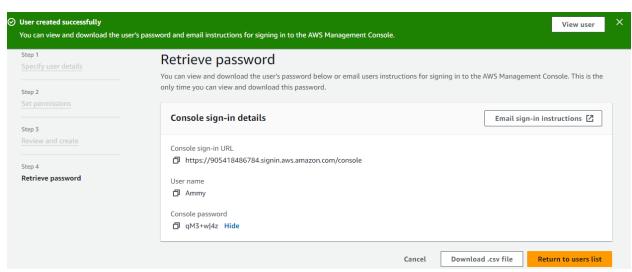
This streamlined workflow fosters collaboration, accelerates time-to-market, and ensures the delivery of high-quality software products.

Step 1: Code Commit

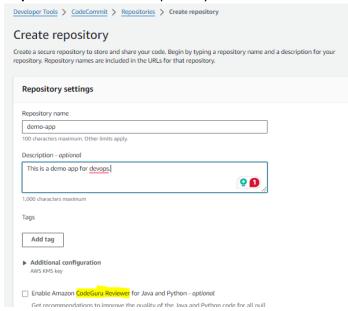
Step 1: Create the IAM user.

Add Permission > 'AWSCodeCommitPowerUser'.





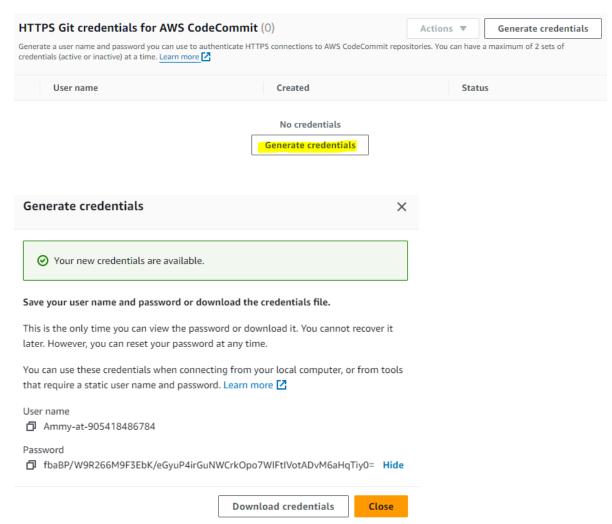
Step 2: Now create one repository in the Code Commit.



NOTE: CodeGuru Reviewer is like a SonarQube, which scans the code and tell if any vulnerability or any defects in the code is present.

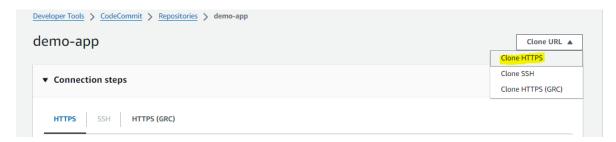
Step 3: Now give the access of Code Commit Repo to our IAM user.

- Go to IAM > Open your user > Security Credentials.
- Go to 'HTTPS Git credentials for AWS Code Commit' > Generate Credentials.

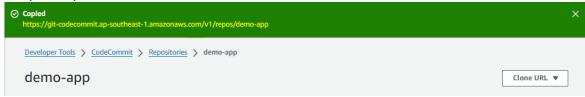


Now, by using these credentials we can access the code commit repo.

Step 4: To Clone the Code Commit Repo. Select the Clone URL > Clone HTTPS.



 Once you click on Clone HTTPS, you will get the URL and by using this URL we can clone the repository.



- Now open any suitable terminal like Git bash, Visual studio and run the below command. git clone https://git-codecommit.ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/v1/repos/demo-app
- Enter the Repo Credentials which we created earlier.

```
Aman.Duggal@AmanD-OEG MINGW64 /d/DevopsProject/TEST (main)
$ git clone https://git-codecommit.ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/v1/repos/demo-ap
p
Cloning into 'demo-app'...
warning: You appear to have cloned an empty repository.
```

Create a file in the repository.

vi index.html.

<!DOCTYPE html>

<h1>My Demo APP</h1>

Now this file is present in our local repository, and now we want to push our file to remote repo.

git status

git add.

git commit -m "Adding new file"

git push origin master



By this we can add our files from local repo to remote repo.

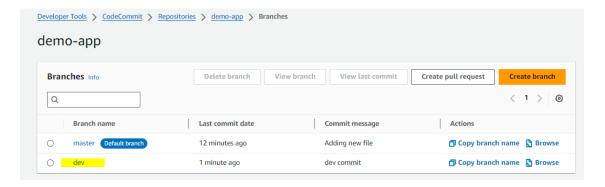
Step: 5 Now, to create a new branch.

git checkout -b dev --#New branch is created and switched to dev branch.

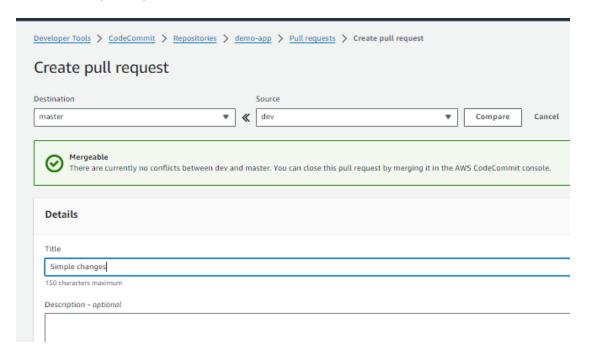
vi index.html -- #Now add new lines in the file.

<!DOCTYPE html> <h1>My Demo APP</h1> <p1>New line

Now, commit this file in the dev branch. git add . git commit -m "Added new line" git push origin dev



To **merge** the dev branch to master branch. Go to 'Create pull request'



Till now, the code commit is done.

Step 2: Code Build

Code Build works like a Jenkins.

Step 1: Now create a project.

• Select Code Build service > Build Projects > Create Project.

Project name: Test Project

Source provider: AWS Code Commit --#From where the code will be picked.

Repository: demo-app

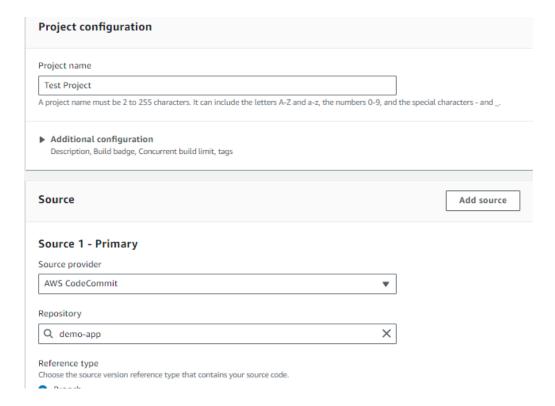
Branch: Master

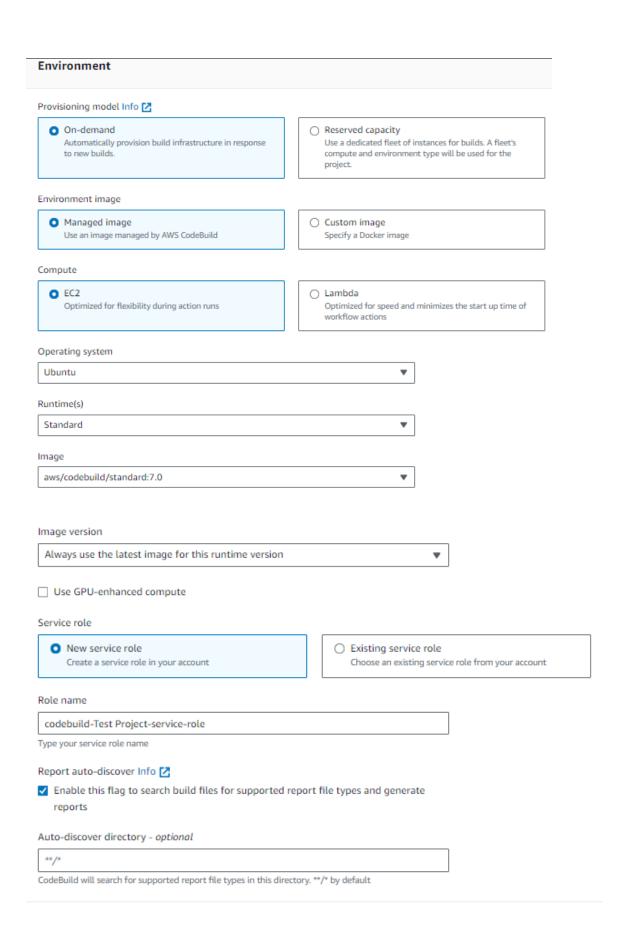
Environment Image: Manage Image --#On which environment you want to build, is it a Linux or

Ubuntu.

Role name: codebuild-Test Project-service-role

NOTE: IAM created the Code Commit repo and other services but to access these services or resources, we need the access. So IAM created a service role. Basically, Service Role is like a policy which tells that the particular services are running on which accesses. IAM will give the role to user and service also.



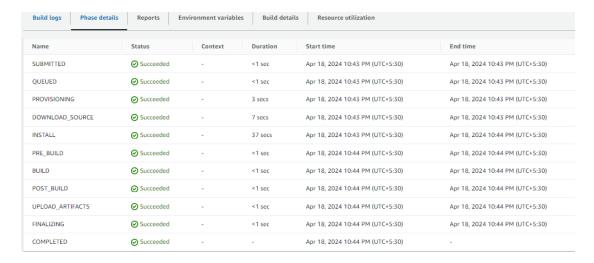


• Under Build Spec, we need to write the configuration file. Build Spec is like a specification file in which the tasks are mentioned which are going to be performed while building.

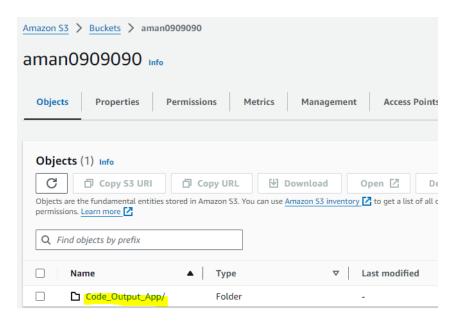
vi buildspec.yml --#Create file with the same name.

```
version: 0.2
phases:
 install:
  commands:
   - echo Installing NGINX
   - sudo apt-get update
   - sudo apt-get install nginx -y
 build:
  commands:
   - echo Build started on 'date'
   - cp index.html /var/www/html/
 post_build:
  commands:
   - echo Configuring NGINX
artifacts:
  files:
   - '**/*'
Now commit and push this file to our remote repo.
Note: Change the branch to master.
git add.
git commit -m "Adding buildspec file"
git push origin master
```

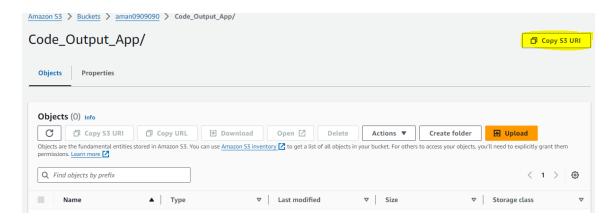
Now click on Create Project > Start Build.



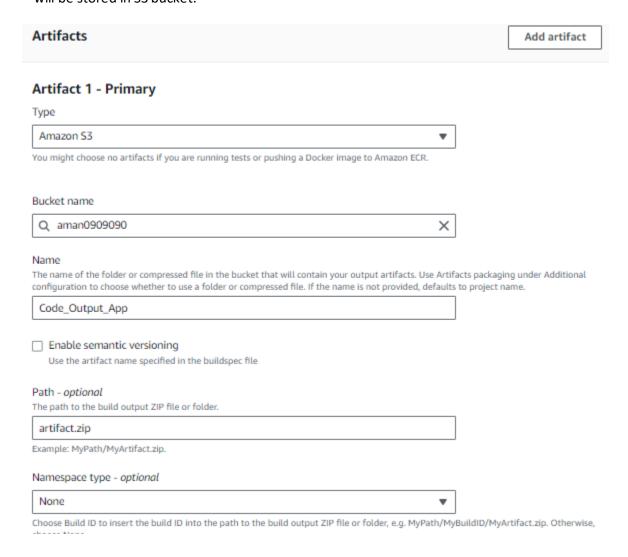
- Now, if we want that our code will build at any specific location we can provide the artifact location.
 - Edit the project > Artifact
 - Select Amazon S3 > Select your bucket. --#Create the S3 bucket and create the folder inside the bucket in which your outputs will be stored.



Copy the S3 folder URL and paste it in the path option.
 Ex: s3://aman0909090/Code_Output_App/artifact.zip --#Adding the artifact.zip at the end so it will become the final output.



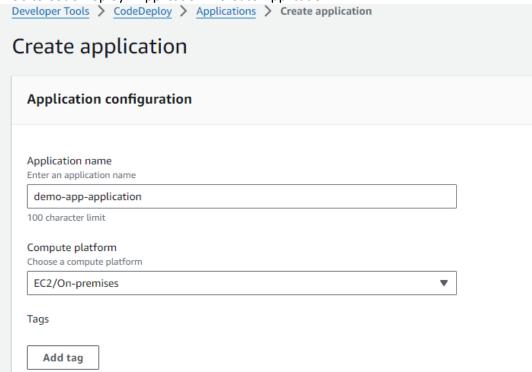
 Enter the details in the Artifacts and Update Project. Now every time the build happen the files will be stored in S3 bucket.



Step 3: Code Deploy

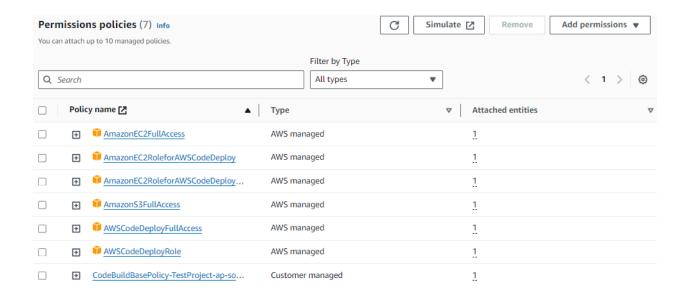
Once we commit the code & Build the code, now we have to deploy the code. In code deploy, we deploy our application.

• Go to Code Deploy> Application > Create Application.



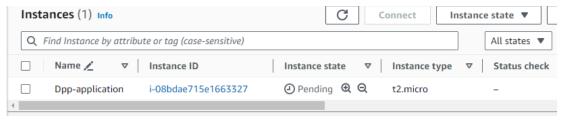
- Once your application is created, the environment or server on which it will run or be deployed
 is referred to as the deployment group. Now, create the deployment group.
 Deployment group is like, our application should deploy on single server or multiple server for that
 we need to create the deployment group.
- Click on Create Deployment Group.
 - **Deployment group name:** demo-app-depl-grp
 - **Service role:** <Enter the service role id> **Ex-** arn:aws:iam::905418486784:role/service-role/codebuild-TestProject-service-role

Note: Create the service role for code deploy. The service role must have these access. This means, where our code will run that will have the necessary permissions. Create a service role in IAM with these permissions.



- **Deployment type:** In-place
- **Environment configuration:** Amazon EC2 instances --#In this EC2 instance, the code deploy will run our application.

Create the EC2 instance for Ubuntu.



Now, enter:

- Key: Name
- Name: Dpp-application --#Your EC2 instance name.
- Install AWS CodeDeploy Agent: Never

The reason behind this is that when your application is deployed on EC2, Docker, or any other platform, you must ensure that the necessary tools are pre-installed and configured. For example, if you're deploying an NGINX application, or if another developer is deploying a Dockerized or any other type of application, Docker and related tools must be available beforehand.

Otherwise, who will handle the installation? That's right, the agent. This agent is primarily designed for CodeDeploy operations. It's a fundamental aspect. Occasionally, mismatches between the CodeDeploy agent version and the CodeDeploy core agent version can lead to issues.

Basically, you are creating the setup between Code Deploy and EC2. By creating the Agent, it will be the link for communication.

• Connect your EC2 instance and execute the below script.

vi install.sh

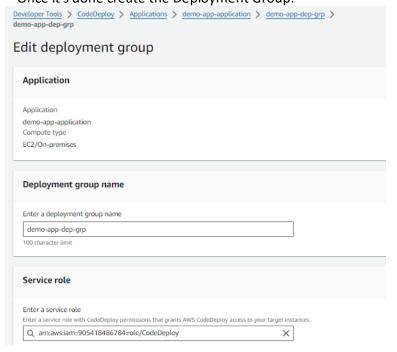
sudo apt update
sudo apt install ruby-full
sudo apt install wget
cd /home/ubuntu
wget https://aws-codedeploy-eu-west-1.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/latest/install
chmod +x ./install
sudo ./install auto
systemctl status codedeploy-agent

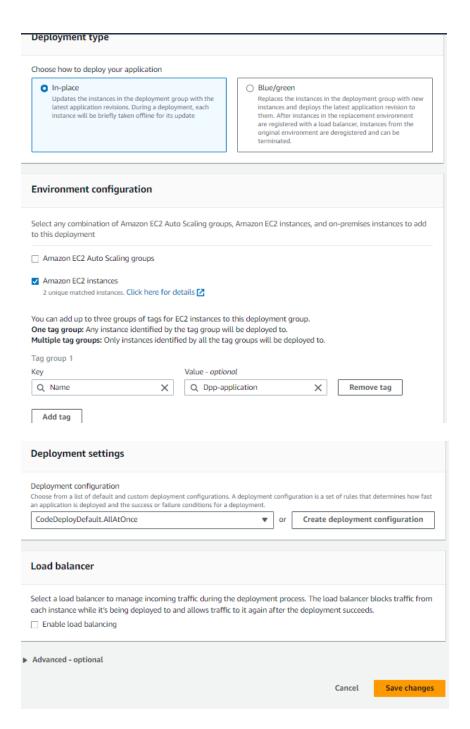
service codedeploy-agent restart bash install. sh

Note: There is a catch, since we are downloading the code deploy agent file, and that file will be present in the s3 bucket for every region. So on whatever region you created the instance or working on change the region name in the script. Same as highlighted below.

```
#!/bin/bash
# This installs the CodeDeploy agent and its prerequisites on Ubuntu 22.04.
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install ruby-full ruby-webrick wget -y
cd /tmp
wget https://aws-codedeploy-ap-southeast-1.s3.ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/releases/codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_all.deb
mkdir codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_ubuntu22
dpkg-deb -R codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_all.deb codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_ubuntu22
sed 's/Depends:.*/Depends:ruby3.0/' -i ./codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_ubuntu22/DEBIAN/control
dpkg-deb -b codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_ubuntu22/
sudo dpkg -i codedeploy-agent_1.3.2-1902_ubuntu22.deb
systemctl list-units --type-service | grep codedeploy
sudo service codedeploy-agent status
```

Once it's done create the Deployment Group.





Now our Deployment is created, and now to deploy the application we need to create one file i.e. 'appspec.yml'.

It is similar file, that we created for the Code Build (buildspec.yml) which is the configuration file for code build.

The **appspec.yml** file is used by AWS CodeDeploy to specify how to deploy an application to an EC2 instance running on Linux. Overall, this appspec.yml file outlines the deployment process for an application, including where to deploy files and what actions to take before and after deployment.

vi appspec.yml

version: 0.0 os: linux file:

- source: /

destination: /var/www/html

hooks:

AfterInstall:

location: scripts/install_nginx.sh

timeout: 300 runas: root ApplicationStart:

location: scripts/start_nginx.sh

timeout: 300 runas: root

- **version:** Specifies the version of the AppSpec file format being used. In this case, it's version 0.0.
- os: Specifies the operating system of the target instance. In this case, it's Linux.
- **file:** Defines the files to be deployed and their destinations on the target instance. Here, it specifies that all files in the root directory (/) of the source (which could be the index.sh file present in the root (/) directory) should be deployed to the destination directory /var/www/html on the target instance.
- **hooks:** Contains lifecycle event hooks that specify actions to be performed at different stages of the deployment process.
- AfterInstall: Specifies actions to be performed after the application files are copied to the target instance but before the application is started. In this case, it indicates the execution of a shell script install_nginx.sh located in the scripts directory. It also specifies a timeout for the script execution and the user (root) under which the script should run.

Basically, the **install_nginx.sh** file having the command to install the nginx server.

ApplicationStart: Specifies actions to be performed after the application is installed and ready
to start. Here, it indicates the execution of a shell script start_nginx.sh located in the scripts
directory. Similar to After Install, it also specifies a timeout for the script execution and the user
(root) under which the script should run.

Basically, the **start_nginx.sh** file having the command to start the nginx server.

The agent that we installed will run this file in the EC2 instance.

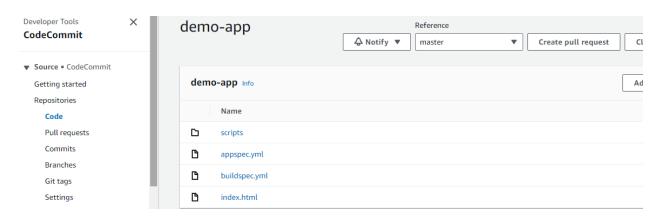
mkdir scripts
cd scripts
vi install_nginx.sh
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install -y nginx
vi start_nginx.sh
sudo service nginx start

```
Aman.Duggal@AmanD-OEG MINGW64 /d/DevopsProject/TEST/demo-app (master)
$ ls
appspec.yml buildspec.yml index.html scripts/
```

• Now, commit and push these changes to our remote repo.

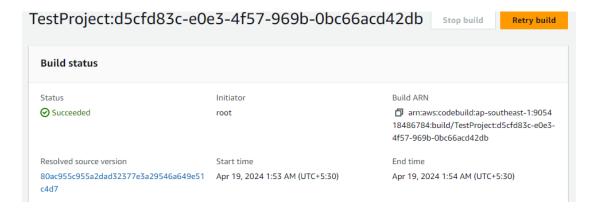
git add . git commit -m "Adding the appspec.yml file" git push -m origin master

• Once you push, all these changes copied to our CodeCommit.



- Now, once all changes are moved to Code commit, now we build the code. By building, our latest code will be moved to s3 bucket.
 - Go to Code Build > Start Build.

Till now, to run the application on the server, we needed a configuration file named "appspec.yml" and we added it. Now, we should have stored it on s3, but instead of uploading it we build the code so that the latest code reaches to s3 bucket, and from there CodeDeploy can easily pick them up.



- Now to start the deployment, open the application in deployment > deployment group.
- Revision location: <Enter the S3 location where the code is build> Ex:
 s3://aman0909090/artifact.zip/

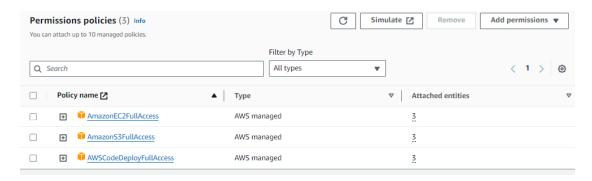


But when you, start the deployment, all the stages went on pending status and the deployment is failed. The reason, is since we get the permission to run the application, code deploy got the permission to connect EC2 and S3.

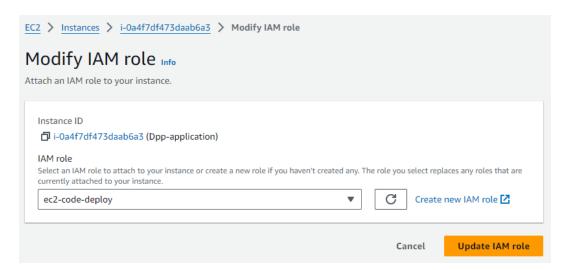
But the EC2 don't get the permission to fetch the data from s3 and communicate with code deploy. That why the deployment will get failed.

To resolve this, we need to create the new IAM role i.e 'ec2-code-deploy'.

• Go to IAM > Create Role > 'ec2-code-deploy' > EC2 > Add permission



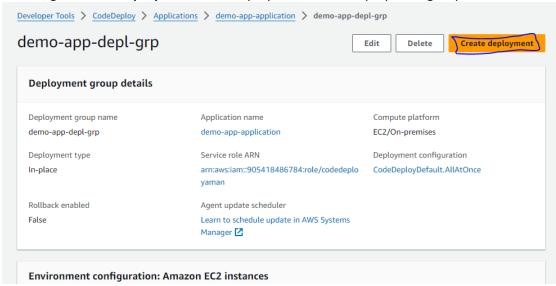
- Now we need to assign this role to our EC2 instance.
 - Select EC2 instance > Actions > Security > Modify IAM role > Update the IAM role which we created.

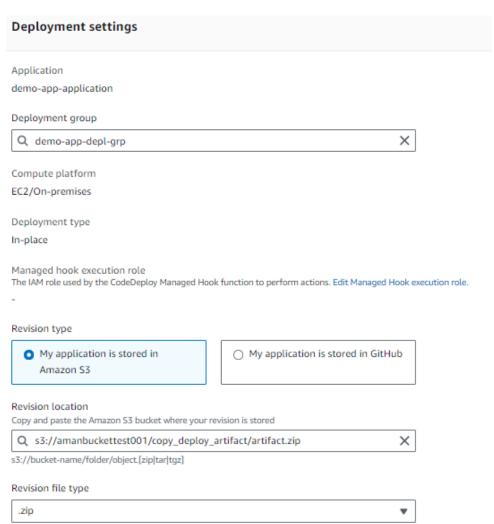


Open EC2 terminal and restart the codedeploy-agent service.
 service codedeploy-agent restart

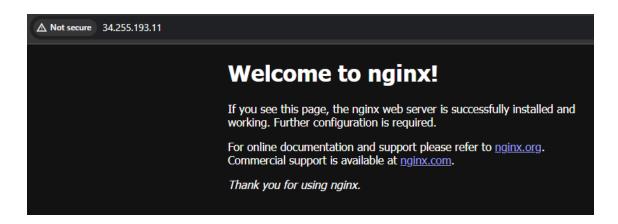


• Now, go to **CodeDeploy** and create deployment under deployment group.





The deployment is successful and now check the application. Copy the public IP of the EC2 instance and run it on the browser.
 Our application is deployed successfully.

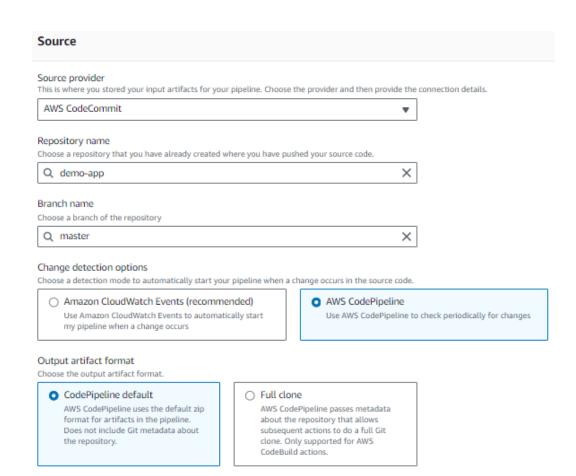


Step 4: Code Pipeline

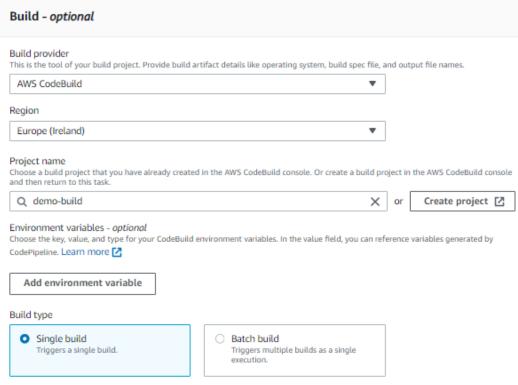
Now let's create a Pipeline where whenever our code is committed, it should build and deploy automatically.

Is committing code, building, and deploying the symbol of DevOps? Yes

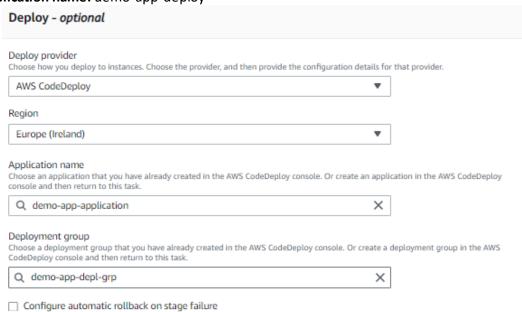
- Go to CodePipeline in AWS console > Create New Pipeline.
 - Pipeline name: demo-app-pipeline
 - Pipeline type: V2
 - Execution mode: Queued (Pipeline type V2 required)
 - Service role: New
 - Role name: --#Auto create the role
 Source provider: AWS CodeCommit
 - Repository name: demo-app
 - Branch: master
 - Change detection options: AWS CodePipeline --#It means if our code gets changed, so
 the pipeline will get executed on every change.
 - Output artifact format: CodePipeline default



Build provider: AWS CodeBuildProject Name: demo-build



- **Deploy provider:** AWS CodeDeploy
- Application name: demo-app-deploy



• Once we start deploy, the pipeline gets executed and successfully completed.

