Assessment -9

VPC

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1. When to use Elastic IP over Public IP

   Public IP addresses are dynamic - i.e. if you stop/start your instance you get reassigned a new public IP.Elastic IPs get allocated to your account, and stay the same - it's up to you to attach them to an instance or not. You could say they are static public IP addresses.Elastic IP address is a public static IPv4 address which is reachable from the Internet.Basically Elastic IP addresses are used by AWS to manage its dynamic cloud computing services. Within the AWS infrastructure, customers have virtual private clouds (VPC), within the VPCs, users have instances. So when you launch an EC2 instance, you receive a Public IP address by which that instance is reachable from the internet. Once you stop that instance and restart the instance you get a new Public IP for the same instance. So it's basically a problem to connect your instance from the internet for not having a static IP. To overcome this problem, we attach an Elastic IP to an Instance which doesn't change after you stop / start the instance.

2. Valid IP Ranges for LAN, Implication of using Public IP ranges for Private Network.

   Class A : 10.0.0.0 – 10.0.255.255

   Class B : 172.16.0.0 – 172.13.255.255

   Class C : 192.168.0.0 – 192.168.255.255

   If you ever expect to connect these systems to an Internet-facing router, though, then you could experience the following issues if you don't stick with private IP ranges:

   ● Traffic destined for another host may leak out on to the Internet.

   ● You might want to get to the IANA-assigned host on that IP and may not be

   able to do it if it's an internal host.

   ● If you aren't the only one mantaining this network, you could horribly confuse someone who is doing troubleshooting.

3. List down the things to keep in mind while VPC peering.

   To create a VPC peering connection with another VPC, be aware of the following

   limitations and rules:

   ● You cannot create a VPC peering connection between VPCs that have matching or overlapping IPv4 or IPv6 CIDR blocks. Amazon always assigns your VPC an unique

IPv6 CIDR block. If your IPv6 CIDR blocks are unique but your IPv4 blocks are not, you cannot create the peering connection.

● You have a quota on the number of active and pending VPC peering connections that you can have per VPC. For more information, see Amazon VPC Quotas in the Amazon VPC User Guide

● VPC peering does not support transitive peering relationships. In a VPC peering connection, your VPC does not have access to any other VPCs with which the peer VPC may be peered. This includes VPC peering connections that are established entirely within your own AWS account. For more information about unsupported peering relationships, see Unsupported VPC Peering Configurations. For examples of supported peering relationships, see VPC Peering Scenarios.

● You cannot have more than one VPC peering connection between the same two VPCs at the same time.

● Unicast reverse path forwarding in VPC peering connections is not supported. For more information, see Routing for Response Traffic.

● Any tags that you create for your VPC peering connection are only applied in the account or region in which you create them.

● If the IPv4 CIDR block of a VPC in a VPC peering connection falls outside of the private IPv4 address ranges specified by RFC 1918, private DNS hostnames for that VPC cannot be resolved to private IP addresses. To resolve private DNS hostnames to private IP addresses, you can enable DNS resolution support for the VPC peering connection. For more information, see Enabling DNS Resolution Support for a VPC Peering Connection.

● You cannot connect to or query the Amazon DNS server in a peer VPC.

4. CIDR of a VPC is 10.0.0.0/16, if the subnet mask is /20 calculate the number of subnets that could be created from the VPC. Also find the number of IP in subnet.

   *10.0.0.0/16: 00001010.00000000.00000000.00000000 (In /16, first 2 octets are fixed).

   00001010.00000000.00000000.00000000 (In /20, extra 4 bits are borrowed from hosts)

   * These extra 4 bits are subnetting bits.

   So, total number of subnets = 2^(20-16)=(16)

And, total IP'S in each subnet = 2^(32-20)= (4096)

5. Differentiate between NACL and Security Groups.

Security Group	Network ACL
Operates at the instance level (first layer of defense)	Operates at the subnet level (second layer of defense)
Supports allow rules only	Supports allow rules and deny rules
Is stateful: Return traffic is automatically allowed, regardless of any rules	Is stateless: Return traffic must be explicitly allowed by rules
We evaluate all rules before deciding whether to allow traffic	We process rules in number order when deciding whether to allow traffic
Applies to an instance only if someone specifies the security group when launching the instance, or associates the security group with the instance later on	Automatically applies to all instances in the subnets it's associated with (backup layer of defense, so you don't have to rely on someone specifying the security group)

6. Implement a 2-tier vpc with following requirements:

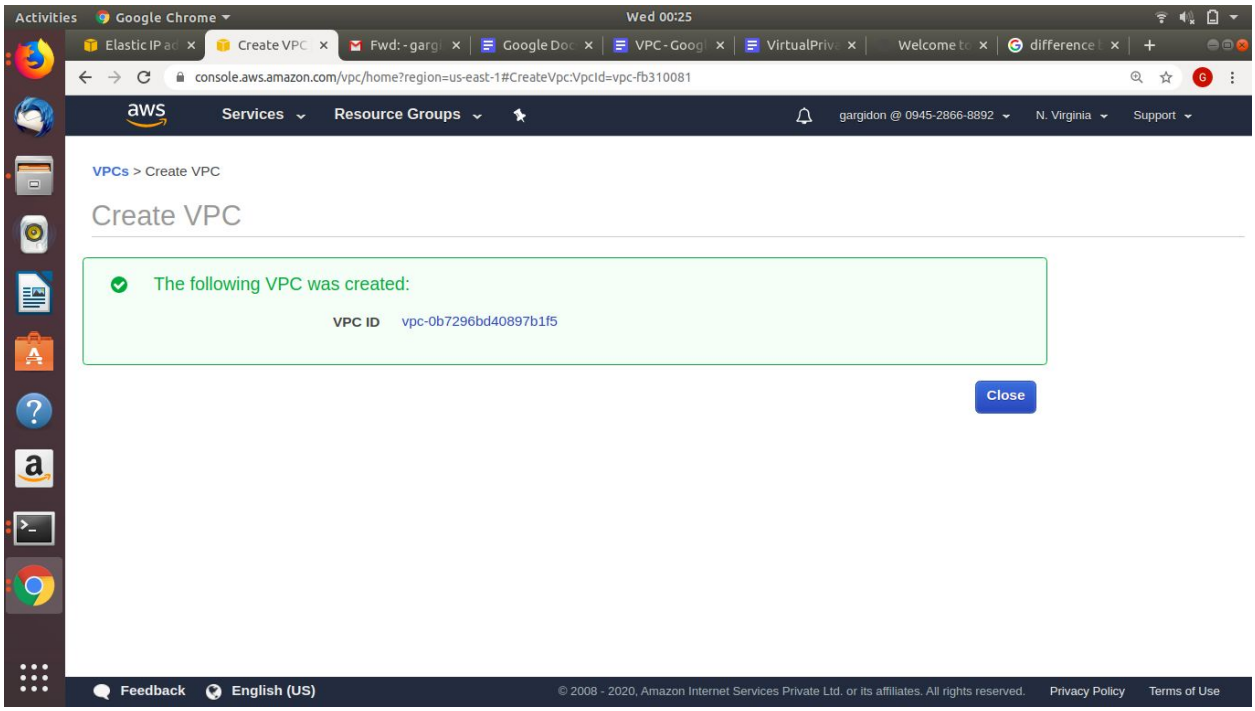
   1. Create a private subnet, attach NAT, and host an application server(Tomcat)

   2. Create a public subnet, and host a web server(Nginx), also proxypass to Tomcat from Nginx

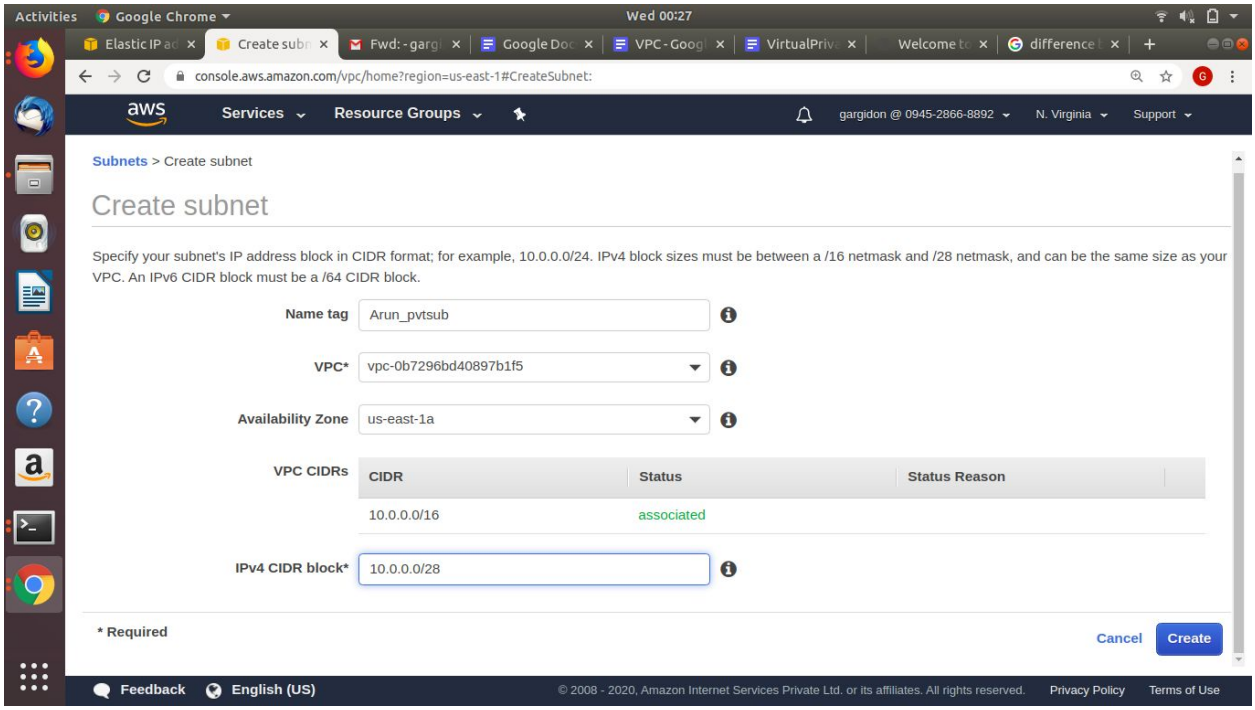
   After Implementing this on AWS, create an architecture diagram for this use case.

   Note: For hosting Nginx in public subnet, use Elastic IP.

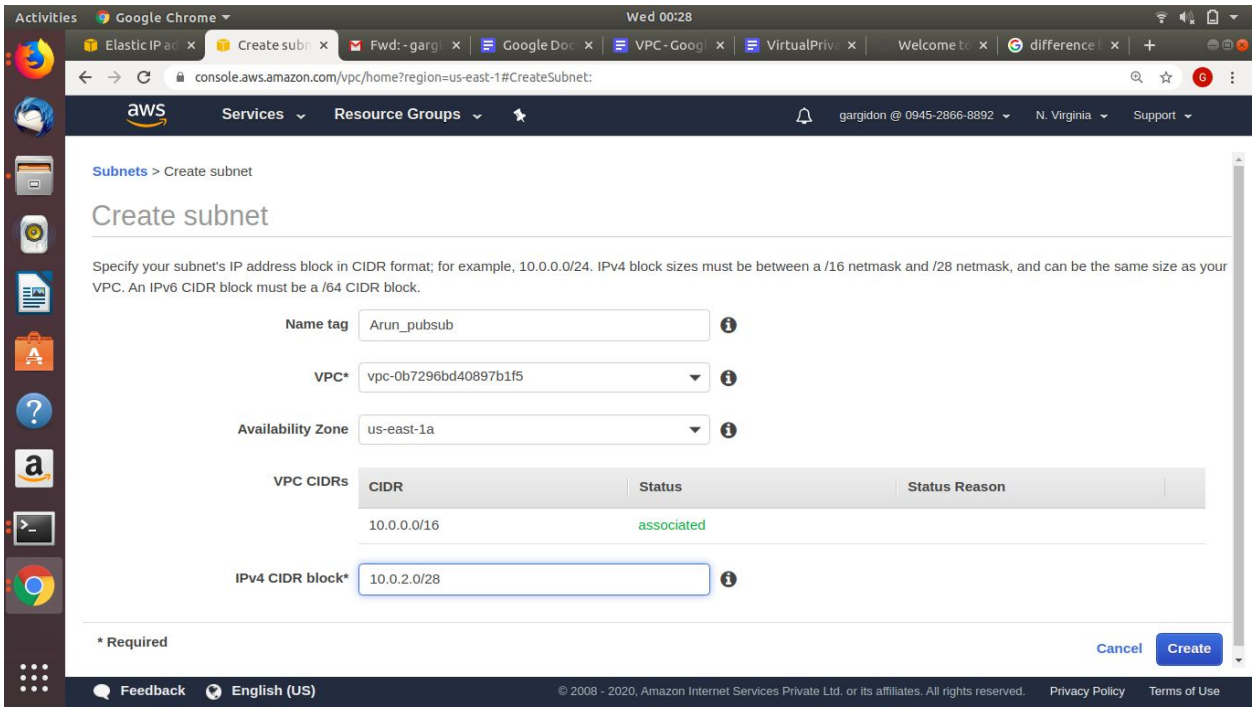
   STEP1: create a VPC



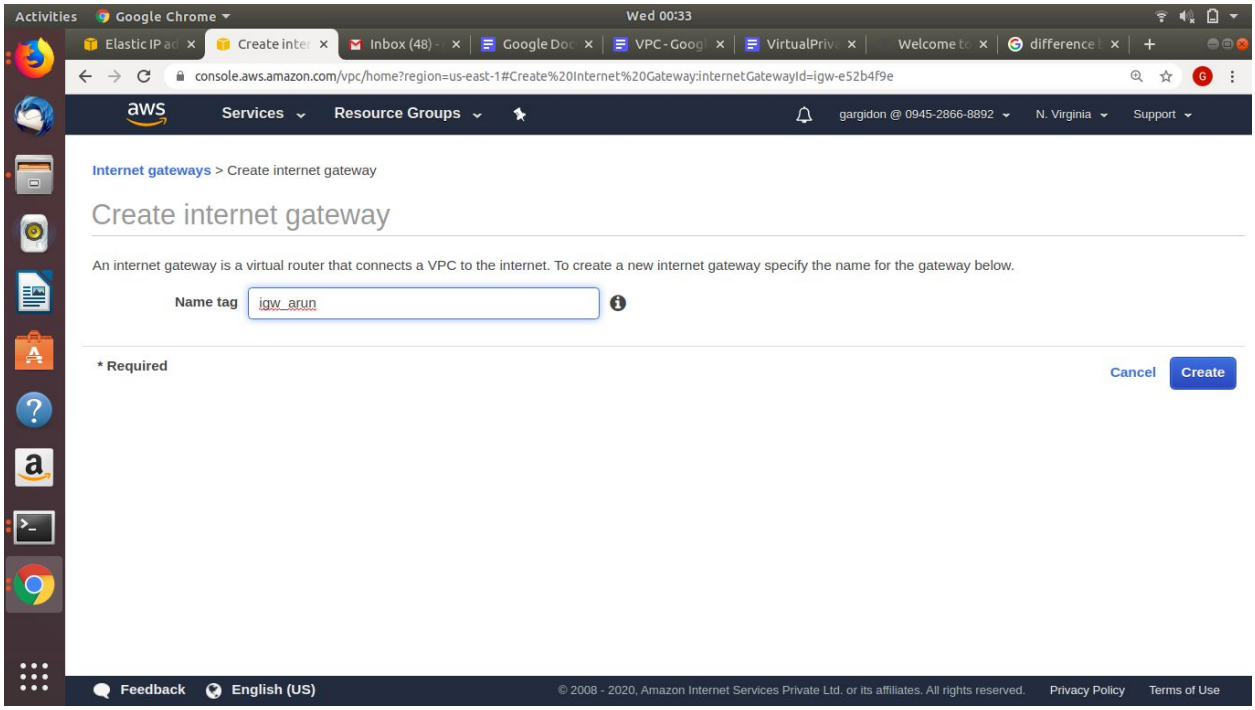
STEP2: Creating private subnet: CIDR(10.0.0.0/28)



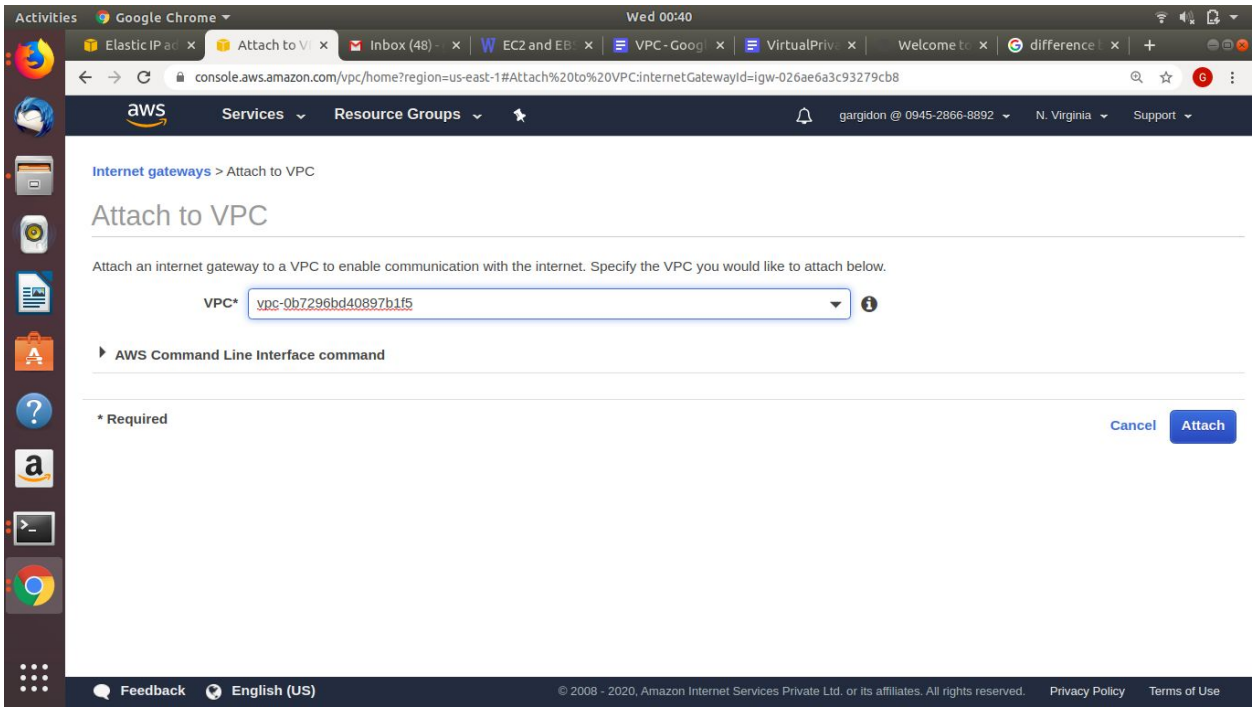
STEP3: Create public subnet: CIDR(10.0.2.0/28)



STEP4: Create Internet Gateway

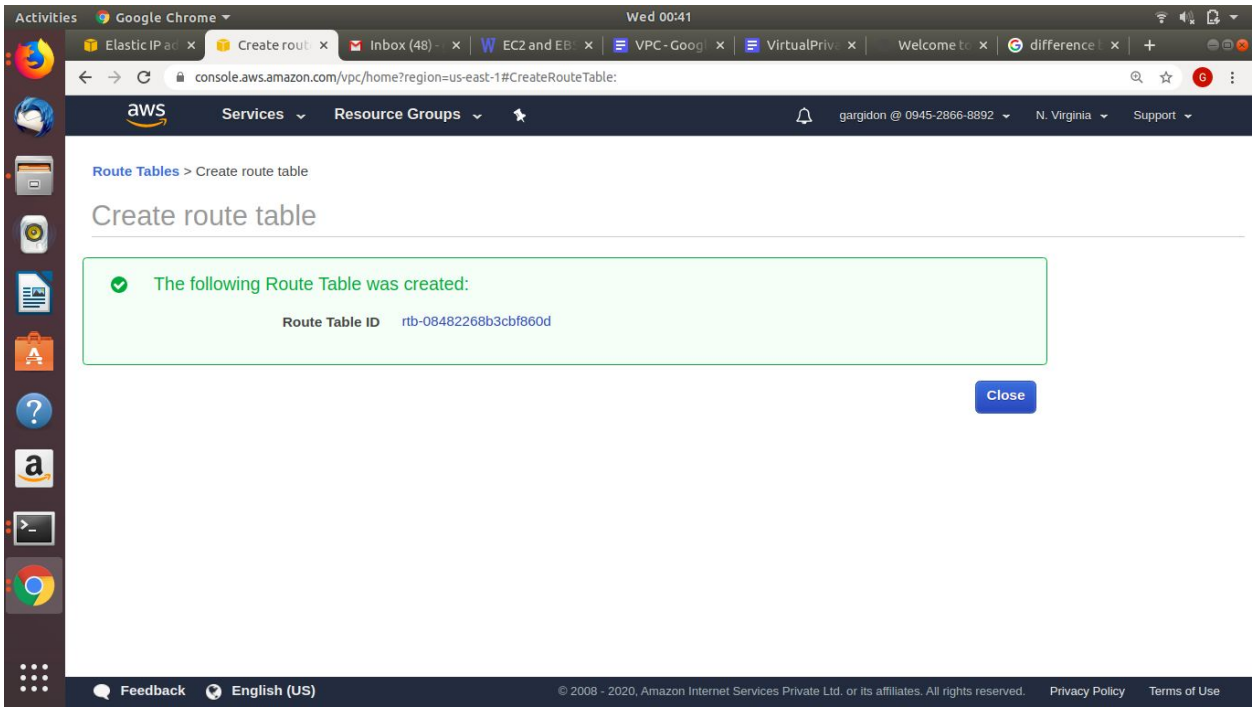


STEP5: Attach internet gateway to VPC

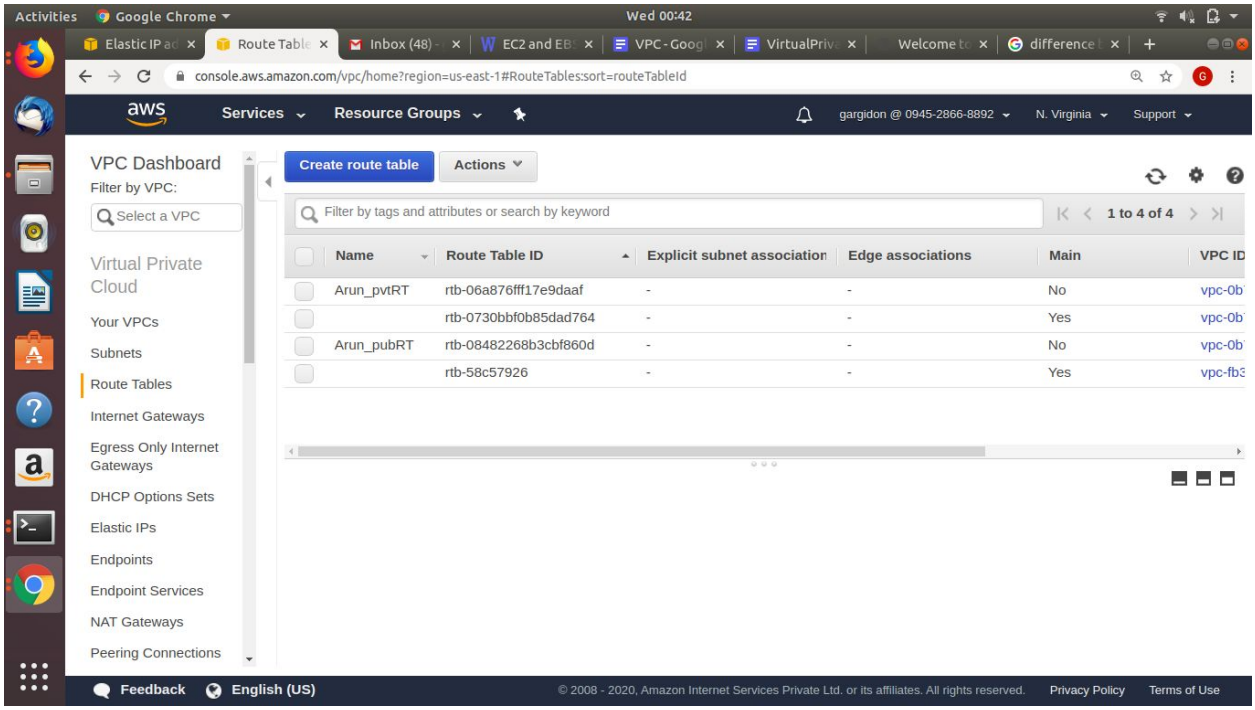


STEP6: Create route tables for public subnet

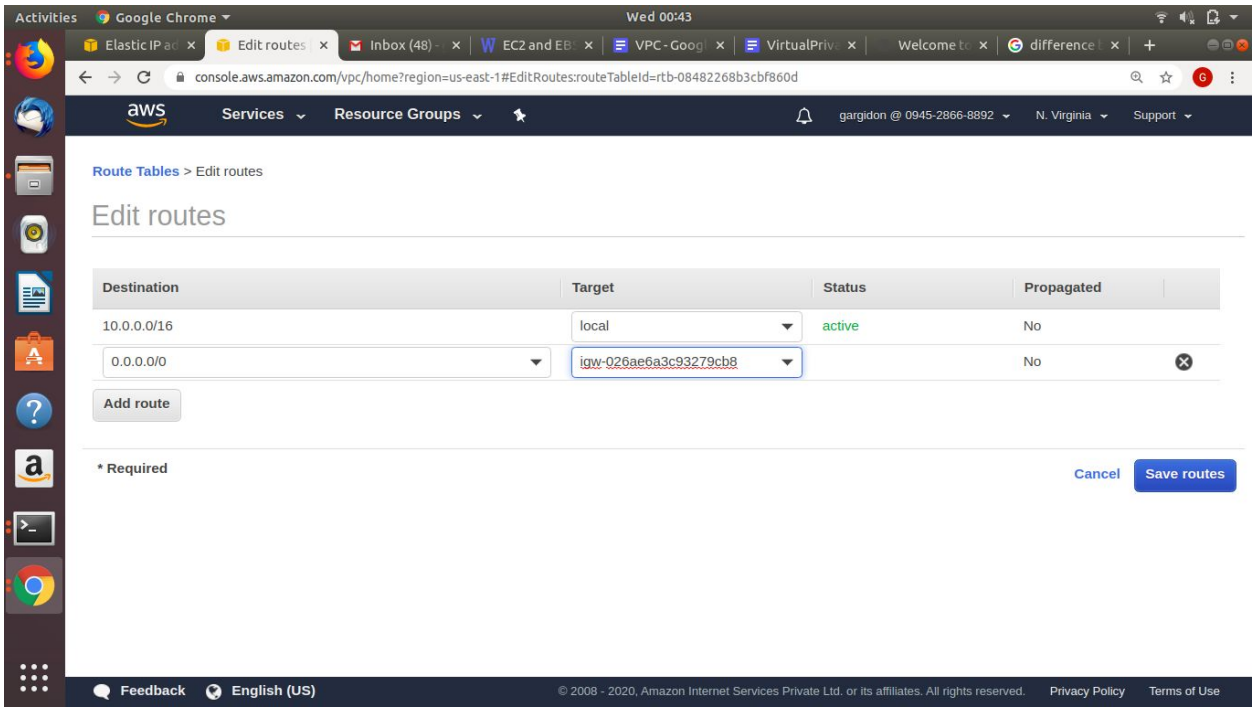
Route table for public subnet:



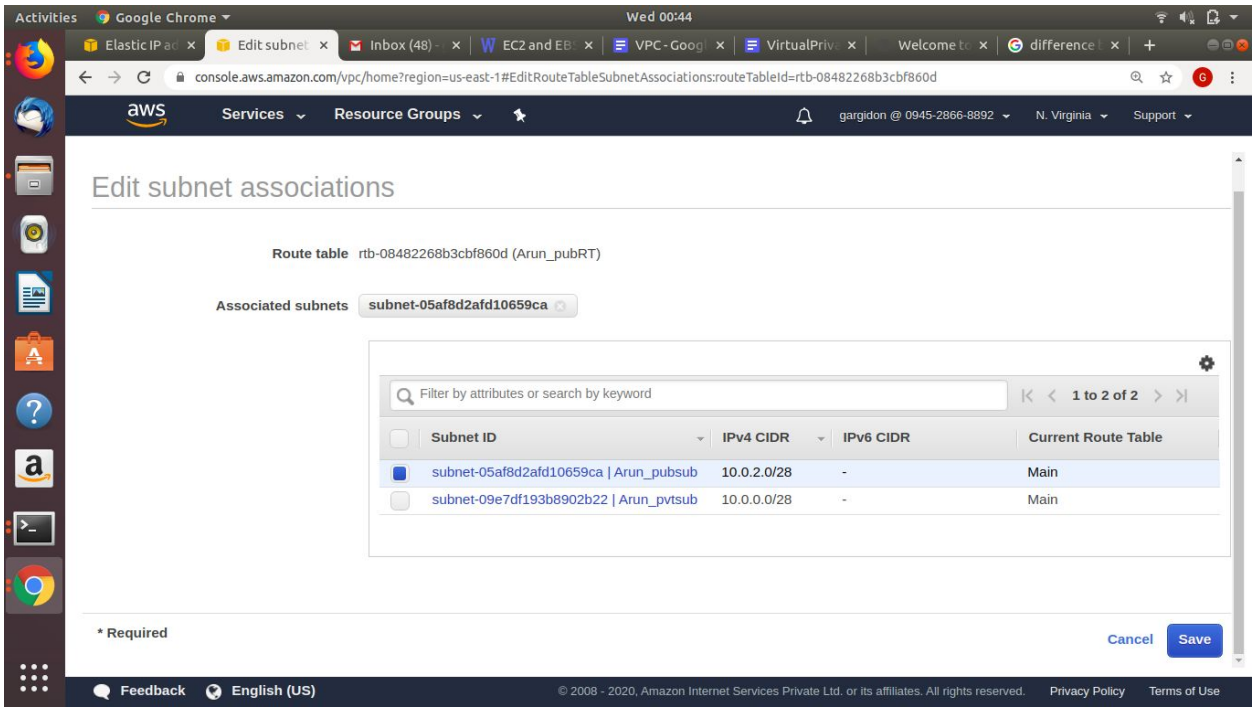
Route table for private subnet:



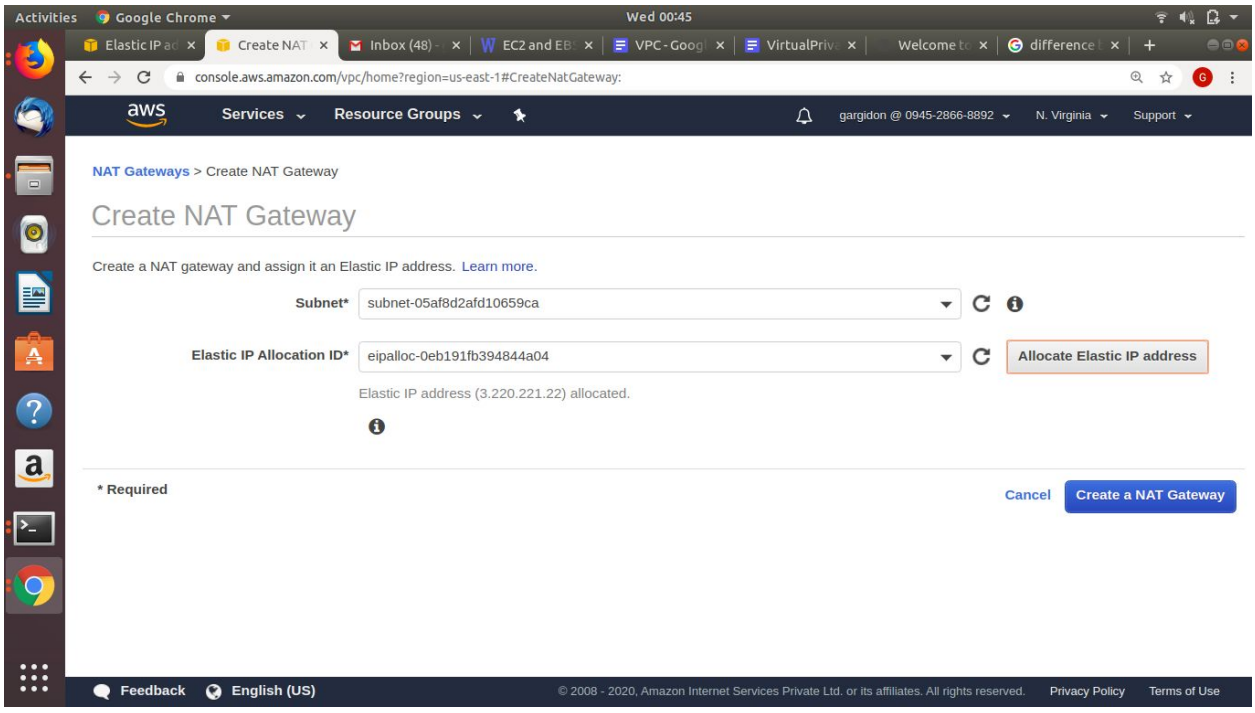
STEP7:Edit the routes(for making publicly accessible,point it towards internet gateway)



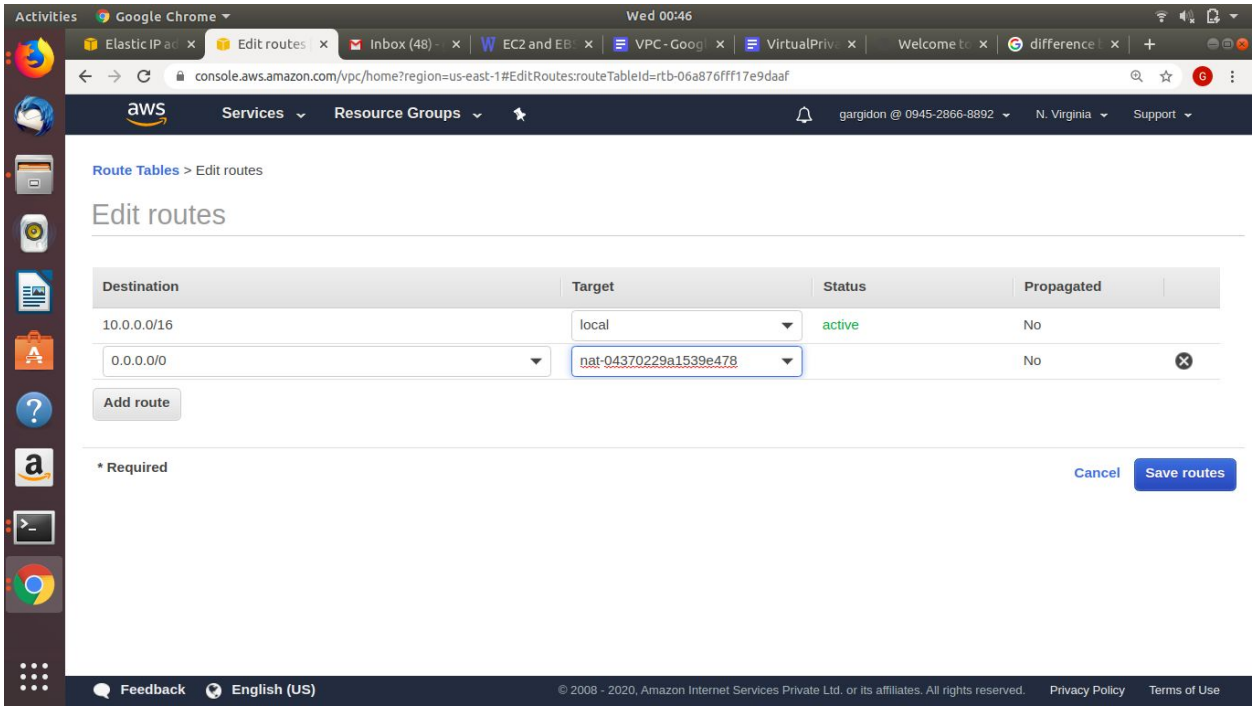
STEP8:Associate public subnet with the public route table.

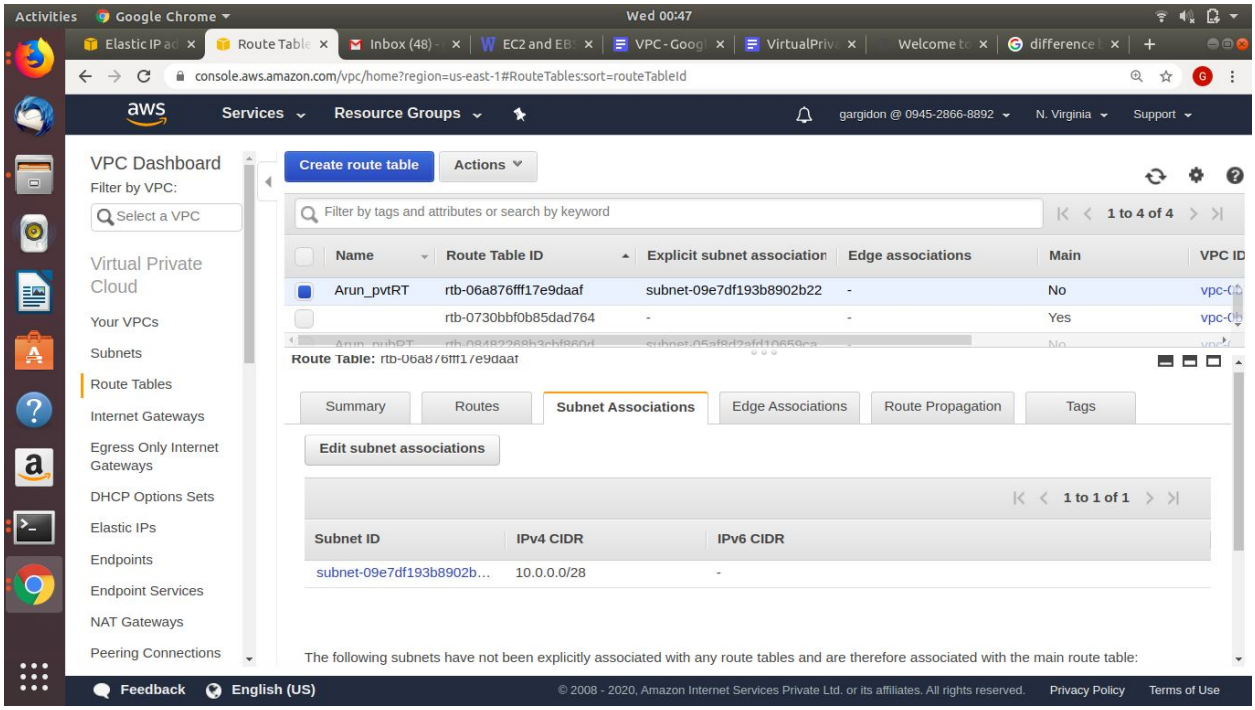


STEP9: create a NAT Gateway in public subnet

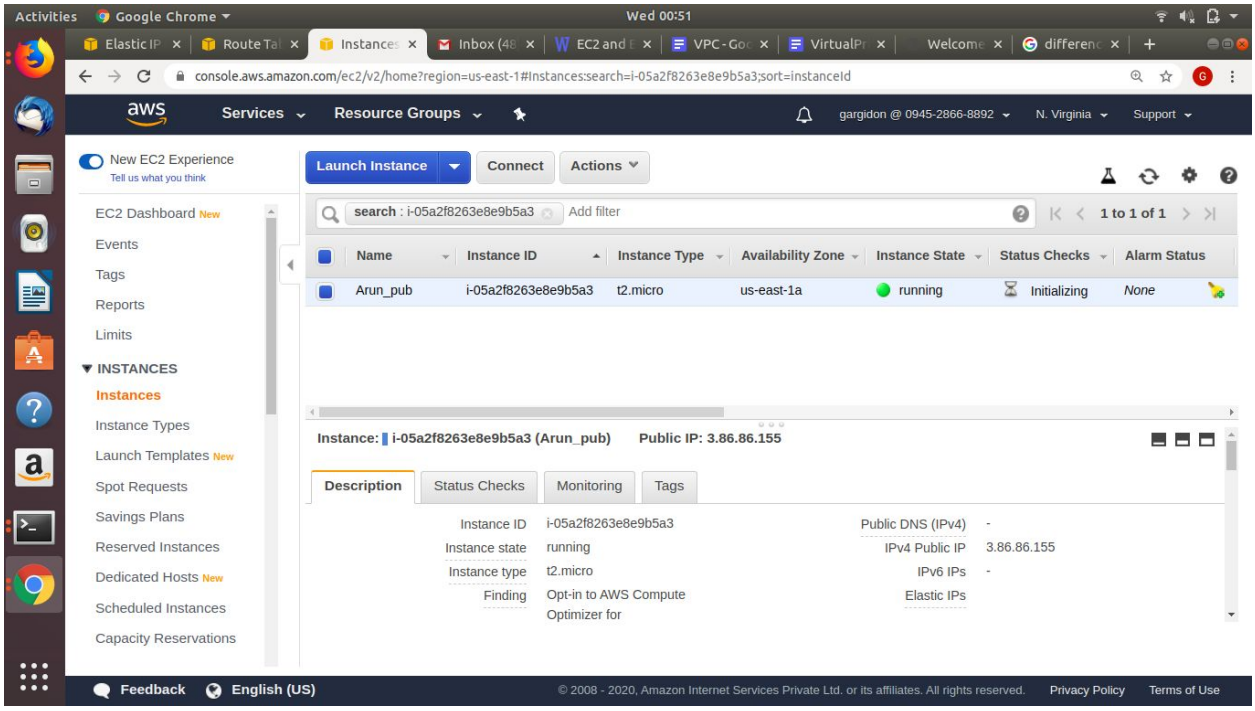


STEP10:Edit route table of pvt subnet and attach NAT gateway and associate private subnet to the route table

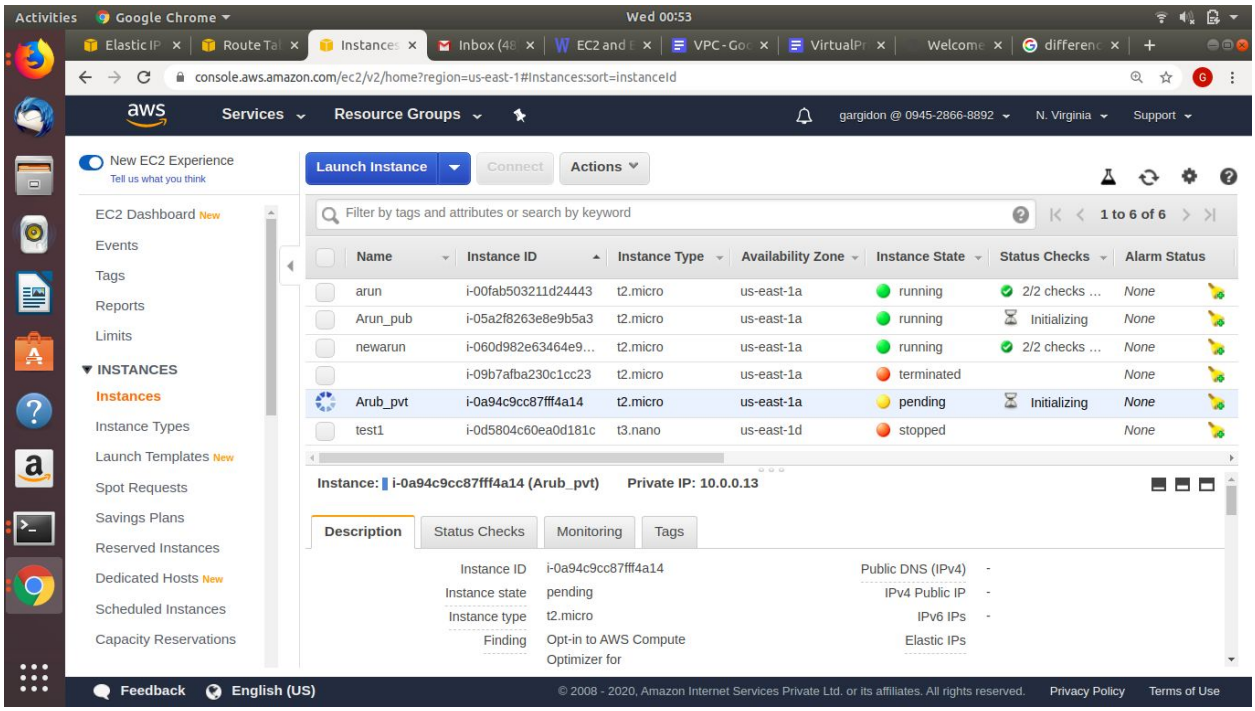




STEP11: Launch an instance in public subnet and specify user data for installation of nginx and enable auto assign IP

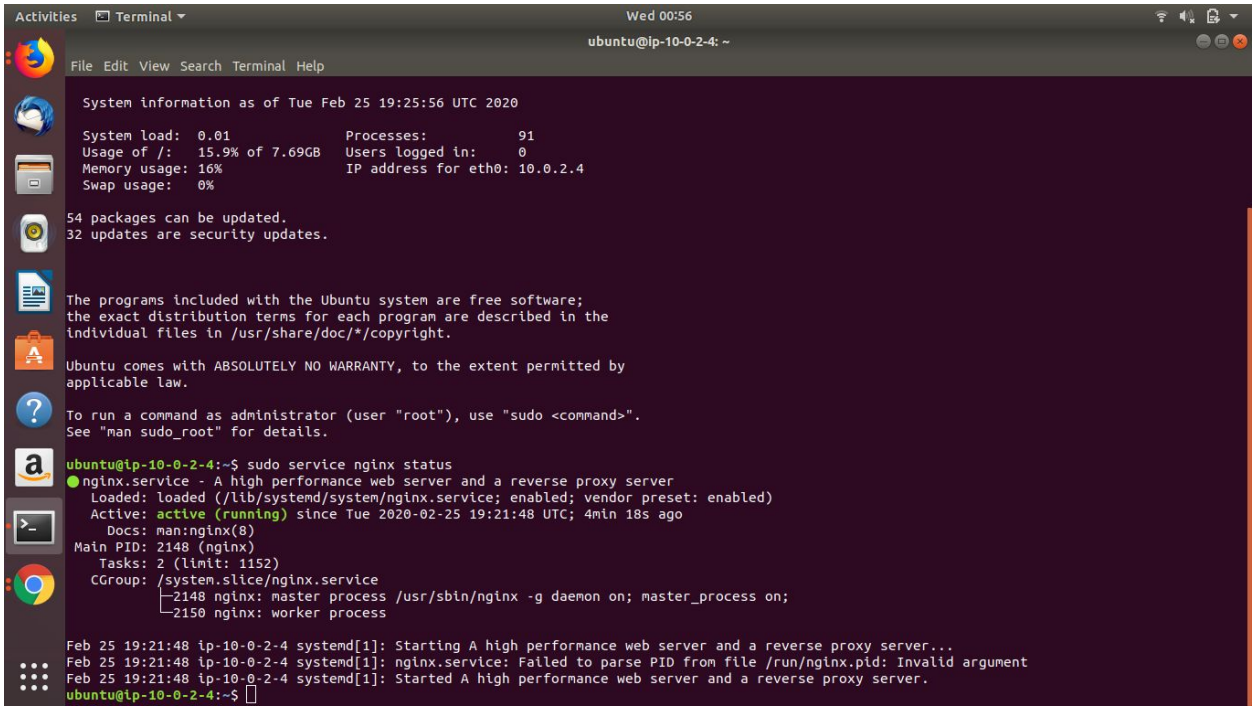


STEP12: Launch an instance in private subnet and disable public IP and install tomcat using user data

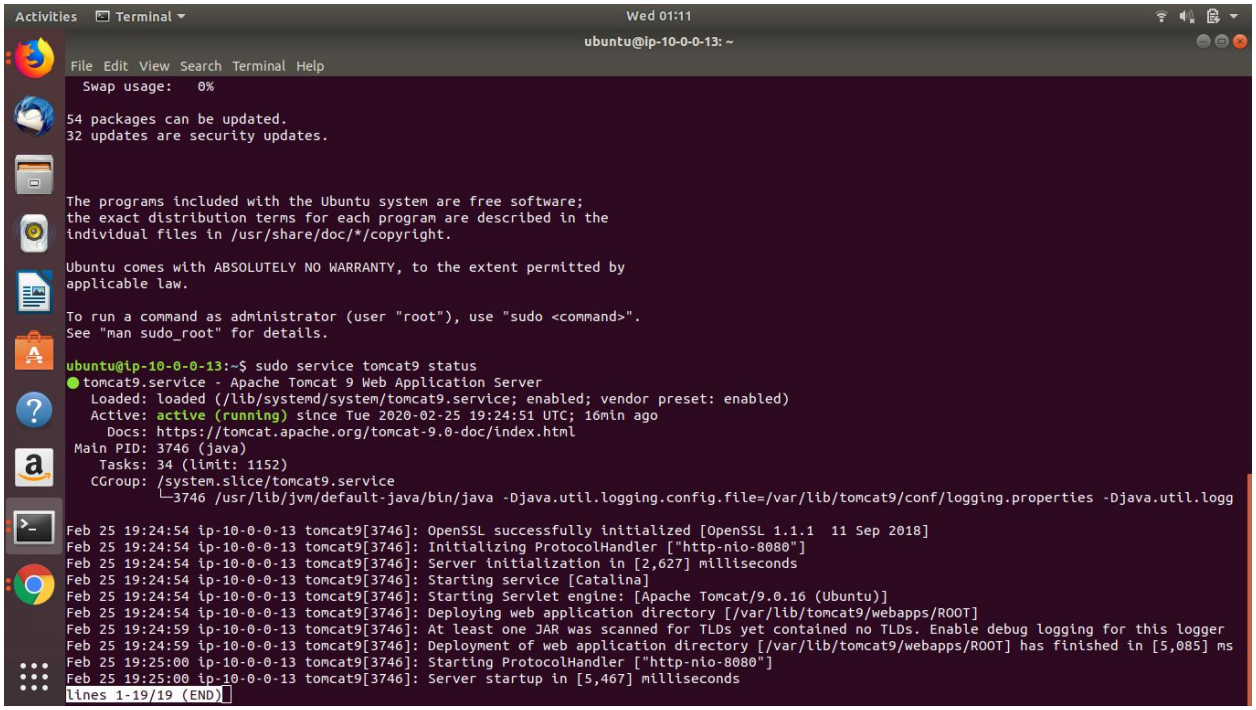


STEP13:Check if the private instance has tomcat9 installed and public instance has nginx installed.

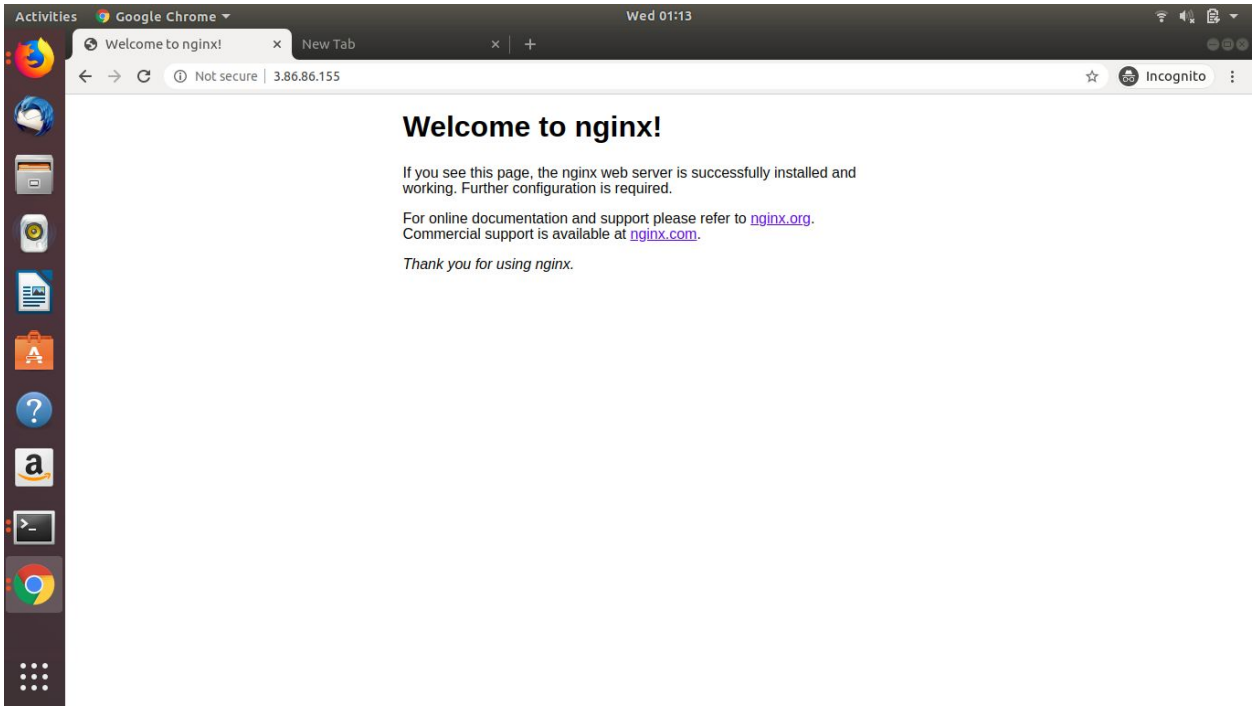
For public instance(nginx),ssh into it and check status



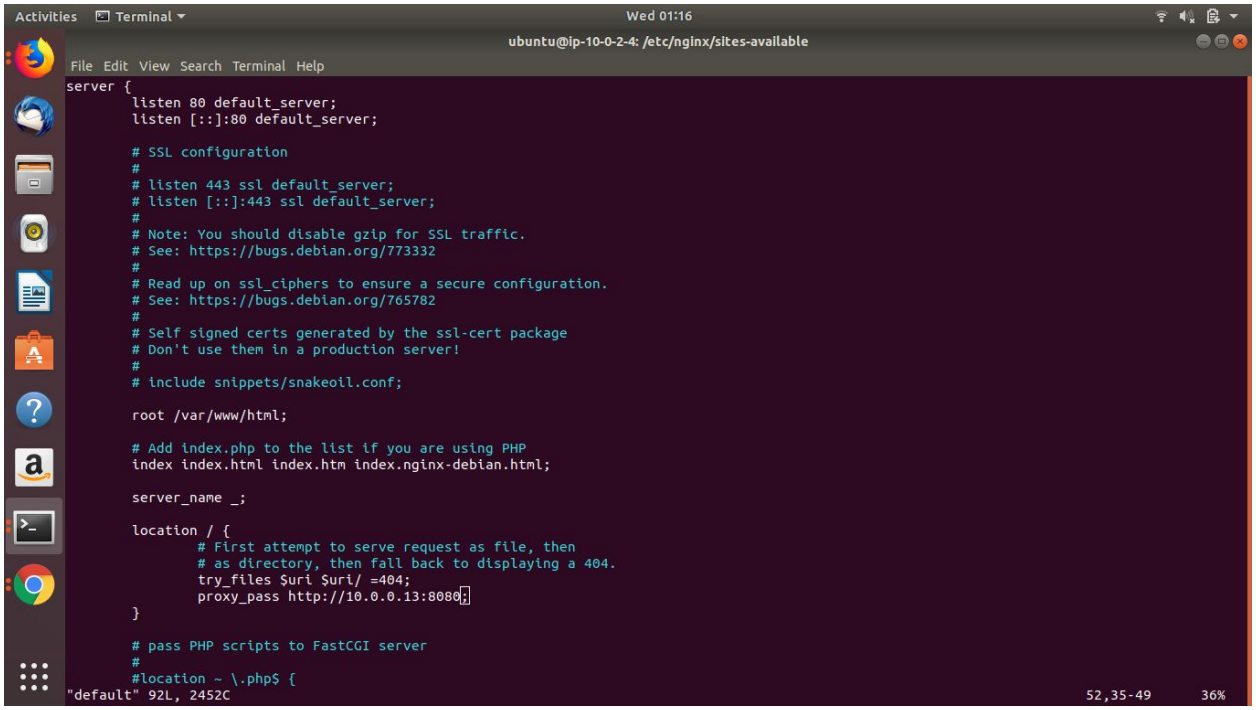
For private instance: scp the pem file to the public instance and then ssh from public instance to the private instance. Then check for tomcat9 status



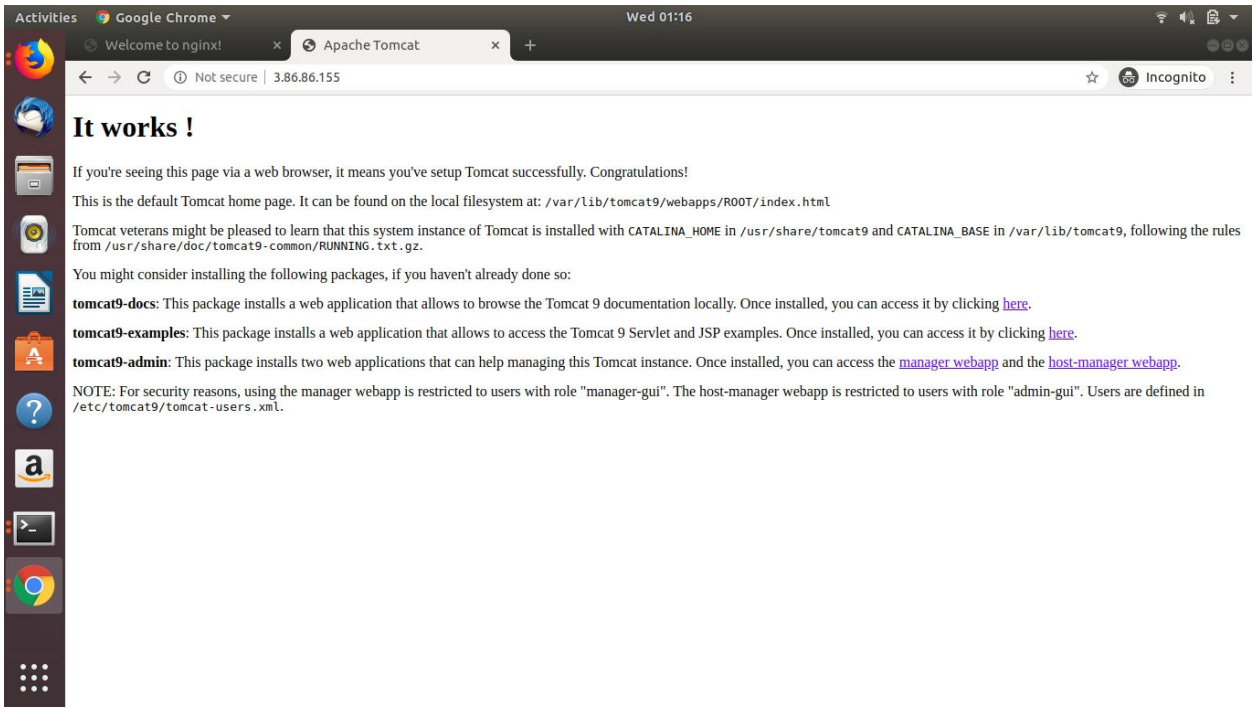
STEP14:Paste the public IP of your instance and check for the default nginx page



STEP15: Now login back to the public instance and add proxy_pass in the location block of /etc/nginx/sites-available



STEP16:Now reload nginx service and browse the public IP once again. This time it should display the tomcat9 page.


Activities
Google Chrome
Wed 01:16
Welcome to nginx!
Apache Tomcat
Not secure | 3.86.86.155
Incognito
It works !
If you're seeing this page via a web browser, it means you've setup Tomcat successfully. Congratulations!
This is the default Tomcat home page. It can be found on the local filesystem at: /var/lib/tomcat9/webapps/ROOT/index.html
Tomcat veterans might be pleased to learn that this system instance of Tomcat is installed with CATALINA_HOME in /usr/share/tomcat9 and CATALINA_BASE in /var/lib/tomcat9, following the rules from /usr/share/doc/tomcat9-common/RUNNING.txt.gz.
You might consider installing the following packages, if you haven't already done so:
tomcat9-docs: This package installs a web application that allows to browse the Tomcat 9 documentation locally. Once installed, you can access it by clicking here.
tomcat9-examples: This package installs a web application that allows to access the Tomcat 9 Servlet and JSP examples. Once installed, you can access it by clicking here.
tomcat9-admin: This package installs two web applications that can help managing this Tomcat instance. Once installed, you can access the manager webapp and the host-manager webapp.
NOTE: For security reasons, using the manager webapp is restricted to users with role "manager-gui". The host-manager webapp is restricted to users with role "admin-gui". Users are defined in /etc/tomcat9/tomcat-users.xml.