

5. Automate the process of setting up passwordless SSH between two AWS EC2 instances.

Deliverable :- Steps for setting up passwordless SSH

1. Create 2 EC2 instances. We'll refer to them as ec-instance-1 and ec-instance-2.
2. SSH into ec-instance-1 from your desktop using the following command:
➔ `ssh -i <path/to/private/key> <user>@<public_dns_of_ec-instance-1>`
3. To generate a new RSA key, run the following command:
➔ `ssh-keygen -t rsa -N "" -f /home/ubuntu/.ssh/id_rsa`
4. Change the permission of your private key by using this command:
➔ `chmod 600 ~/.ssh/`
5. `id_rsa.pub` contains the public key. Use `cat` to view its contents and copy it.
➔ `cat id_rsa.pub`
6. Now open a new terminal and ssh into ec-instance-2 using the ssh command mentioned in step 2.
7. edit the `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` file using:
➔ `sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config`
now, uncomment the following 2 lines:
 - `RSAAuthentication yes`
 - `PubkeyAuthentication yes`
8. Open the `authorized_keys` file:
➔ `nano ~/.ssh/authorized_keys`
now, append the key you copied from ec-instance-1 by pasting it in a new line. Then save and exit.
9. Change the permission of `authorized_keys` by using this command:
➔ `chmod 755 ~/.ssh/authorized_keys`
10. Now, go to terminal where ec-instance-1 was SSHed from and test the connection as follows:
➔ `ssh <public_ip_of_ec-instance-2>`
11. you can also test the connection by copying files. Use this command to copy files:
➔ `scp <filename> <user>@<public_ip_of_ec-instance-2>:/directory`