Project: Operationalizing a Co-working Space Service



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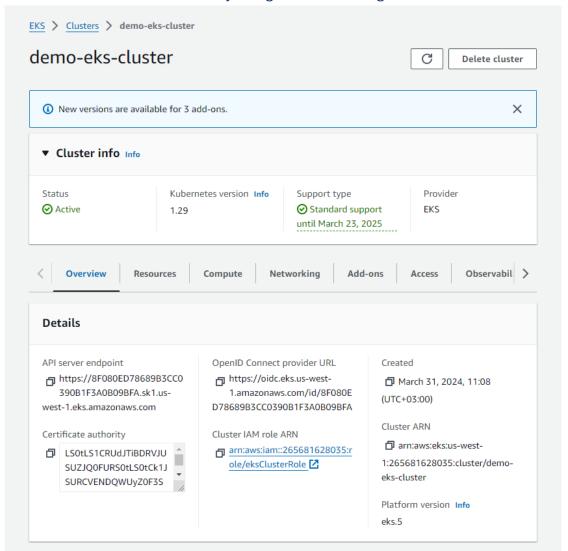
Introduction

The Coworking Space Service is a set of APIs that enables users to request one-time tokens and administrators to authorize access to a coworking space. This service follows a microservice pattern and the APIs are split into distinct services that can be deployed and managed independently of one another.

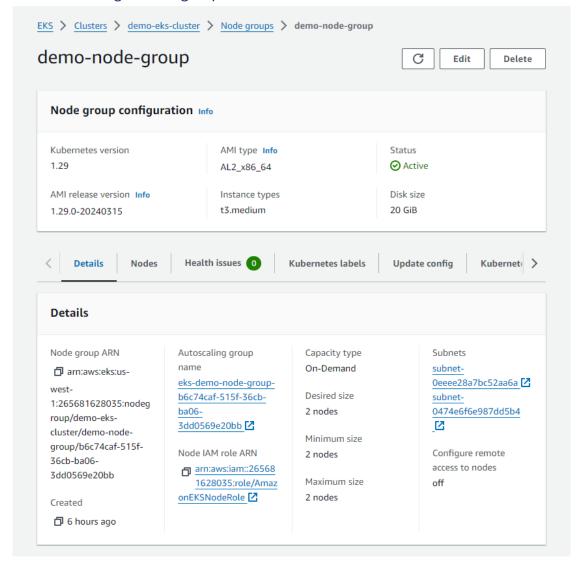
This project aims to build a pipeline to deploy an API in Kubernetes that provides business analysts basic analytics data on user activity in the service.

Create an EKS Cluster

Create an Amazon EKS cluster by using the AWS Management Console:



Create a managed node group:



Map the IAM entity/user to the aws-auth ConfigMap to allow access to the cluster:

Configure a Database for the Service

Set up a Postgres database using a Helm Chart:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ helm repo add bitnami https://charts.bitnami.com/bitnami
'bitnami" has been added to your repositories
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ helm install my-release bitnami/postgresql
NAME: my-release
LAST DEPLOYED: Sun Mar 31 11:23:28 2024
NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 1
TEST SUITE: None
NOTES:
CHART NAME: postgresql
CHART VERSION: 15.1.4
APP VERSION: 16.2.0
^{**} Please be patient while the chart is being deployed ^{**}
PostgreSQL can be accessed via port 5432 on the following DNS names from within your
cluster:
   my-release-postgresql.default.svc.cluster.local - Read/Write connection
To get the password for "postgres" run:
    export POSTGRES PASSWORD=$(kubectl get secret --namespace default my-release-
postgresql -o jsonpath="{.data.postgres-password}" | base64 -d)
To connect to your database run the following command:
    kubectl run my-release-postgresql-client --rm --tty -i --restart='Never' --namespace
default --image docker.io/bitnami/postgresql:16.2.0-debian-12-r10 --
env="PGPASSWORD=$POSTGRES PASSWORD" \
      --command -- psql --host my-release-postgresql -U postgres -d postgres -p 5432
   > NOTE: If you access the container using bash, make sure that you execute
"/opt/bitnami/scripts/postgresql/entrypoint.sh /bin/bash" in order to avoid the error
'psql: local user with ID 1001} does not exist"
To connect to your database from outside the cluster execute the following commands:
    kubectl port-forward --namespace default svc/my-release-postgresql 5432:5432 &
    PGPASSWORD="$POSTGRES PASSWORD" psql --host 127.0.0.1 -U postgres -d postgres -p 5432
WARNING: The configured password will be ignored on new installation in case when
previous PostgreSQL release was deleted through the helm command. In that case, old PVC
will have an old password, and setting it through helm won't take effect. Deleting
persistent volumes (PVs) will solve the issue.
```

```
WARNING: There are "resources" sections in the chart not set. Using "resourcesPreset" is not recommended for production. For production installations, please set the following values according to your workload needs:
- primary.resources
- readReplicas.resources
+info https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/configuration/manage-resources-containers/
```

Note: If the PersistentVolumeClaim for Postgres is stuck in 'Pending' status with the below event message after the deployment:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl describe pvc data-my-release-postgresql-0
Name:
               data-my-release-postgresql-0
Namespace:
              default
StorageClass: gp2
Status:
              Pending
Events:
  Type
         Reason
                     Message
                                Age
                                                     From
 Normal WaitForFirstConsumer 11m
                                                     persistentvolume-controller
                      waiting for first consumer to be created before binding
         ExternalProvisioning 103s (x43 over 11m) persistentvolume-controller
                      Waiting for a volume to be created either by the external
provisioner 'ebs.csi.aws.com' or manually by the system administrator. If volume creation
is delayed, please verify that the provisioner is running and correctly registered.
```

These steps can be followed to solve the issue.

Test Database Connection:

```
lahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ export POSTGRES PASSWORD=$(kubectl get secret --namespace default
my-release-postgresql -o jsonpath="{.data.postgres-password}" | base64 -d)
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ echo $POSTGRES PASSWORD
I2nCIqCbei
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl exec -it my-release-postgresql-0 -- bash
I have no name!@my-release-postgresql-0:/$ psql -U postgres -d postgres
Password for user postgres:
psql (16.2)
Type "help" for help.
postgres=# \l
                                           List of databases
                                                             | ICU Locale | ICU Rules | Access privileges
        Owner
                                          Collate | Ctype
                                        | en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8 |
postgres | postgres | UTF8
                                         en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8
                                                                                  | postgres=CTc/postgres
template1 | postgres | UTF8
                                        | en US.UTF-8 | en US.UTF-8
                                                                                   =c/postgres
                                                                                  | postgres=CTc/postgres
3 rows)
```

Check Postgres service:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl get svc
NAME
                            TYPE
                                        CLUSTER-IP
                                                       EXTERNAL-IP
                                                                     PORT(S)
                                                                                 AGE
                            ClusterIP
kubernetes
                                        10.100.0.1
                                                       <none>
                                                                     443/TCP
                                                                                 54m
                                        10.100.69.0
                                                                                 44m
my-release-postgresql
                           ClusterIP
                                                       <none>
                                                                     5432/TCP
                                                                     5432/TCP
                                                                                 44m
my-release-postgresgl-hl
                           ClusterIP
                                        None
                                                       <none>
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl describe svc my-release-postgresql
Name:
                   my-release-postgresql
Namespace:
                   default
Labels:
                   app.kubernetes.io/component=primary
                   app.kubernetes.io/instance=my-release
                   app.kubernetes.io/managed-by=Helm
                   app.kubernetes.io/name=postgresql
                   app.kubernetes.io/version=16.2.0
                   helm.sh/chart=postgresql-15.1.4
                   meta.helm.sh/release-name: my-release
Annotations:
                   meta.helm.sh/release-namespace: default
Selector:
                   app.kubernetes.io/component=primary,app.kubernetes.io/instance=my-
release,app.kubernetes.io/name=postgresql
                   ClusterIP
Type:
IP Family Policy: SingleStack
IP Families:
                   IPv4
TP:
                   10.100.69.0
IPs:
                   10.100.69.0
                   tcp-postgresgl 5432/TCP
Port:
                   tcp-postgresql/TCP
TargetPort:
                   172.31.16.219:5432
Endpoints:
Session Affinity:
                   None
Events:
                   <none>
```

Connecting Via Port Forwarding:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl port-forward service/my-release-postgresql 5433:5432 &
[1] 37408
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ Forwarding from 127.0.0.1:5433 -> 5432
Forwarding from [::1]:5433 -> 5432
```

Run Seed Files:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/db$ kubectl get pods
                                             RESTARTS
NAME
                          READY
                                  STATUS
                                                        AGE
my-release-postgresql-0
                          1/1
                                  Running
                                                        121m
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/db$ kubectl cp 1 create tables.sql
my-release-postgresgl-0:/tmp
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/db$ kubectl cp 2 seed users.sql my-
release-postgresql-0:/tmp
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/db$ kubectl cp 3 seed tokens.sql my-
release-postgresgl-0:/tmp
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/db$ kubectl exec -it my-release-
postgresgl-0 -- bash
 have no name!@my-release-postgresql-0:/$ cd /tmp
```

```
have no name!@my-release-postgresql-0:/tmp$ psql -U postgres -d postgres -f
1 create tables.sql
Password for user postgres:
CREATE TABLE
CREATE INDEX
CREATE TABLE
CREATE INDEX
have no name!@my-release-postgresgl-0:/tmp$ psql -U postgres -d postgres -f
 seed users.sql
Password for user postgres:
INSERT 0 1
INSERT 0 1
INSERT 0 1
I have no name!@my-release-postgresql-0:/tmp$ psql -U postgres -d postgres -f
3 seed tokens.sql
Password for user postgres:
INSERT 0 1
INSERT 0 1
INSERT 0 1
```

Checking the tables:

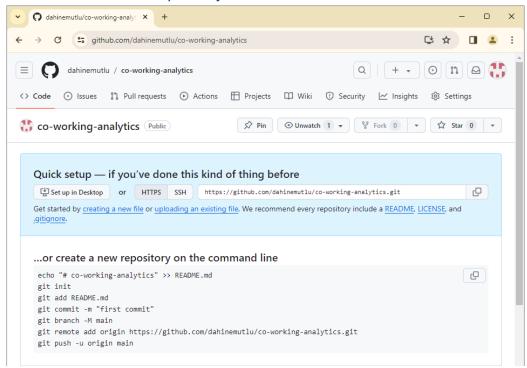
```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ psql --host 127.0.0.1 -U postgres -d postgres -p 5433
Password for user postgres:
psql (14.11 (Ubuntu 14.11-Oubuntu0.22.04.1), server 16.2)
WARNING: psql major version 14, server major version 16.
        Some psql features might not work.
Type "help" for help.
postgres=# select * from users;
 id | first name | last name | joined at | is active
   1 | Cristopher | Alexander | 2023-01-20 03:23:39.757813 | t
   2 | Dakota | Gardner | 2023-02-02 16:23:39.75783 | t
                               | 2023-01-31 10:23:39.757836 | t
   3 | Mattie
                  | Moyer
                   | Gamble | 2023-02-13 05:23:39.75784 | t | Abbott | 2023-02-11 22:23:39.757844 | t
   4 | Darien
                  | Gamble
   5 | Luca
postgres=# select * from tokens;
 id | user id | token | created at |
                                                            used at
          500 | 902912 | 2023-02-10 13:32:58.224409 |
          173 | 940181 | 2023-02-08 08:37:58.224425 | 2023-02-08 08:29:58.224425
   3 |
          167 | 542454 | 2023-02-11 13:08:58.224435 | 2023-02-11 13:02:58.224435
          332 | 478128 | 2023-02-09 16:20:58.224443 |
          382 | 356931 | 2023-02-09 21:11:58.224448 |
```

Running the application locally:

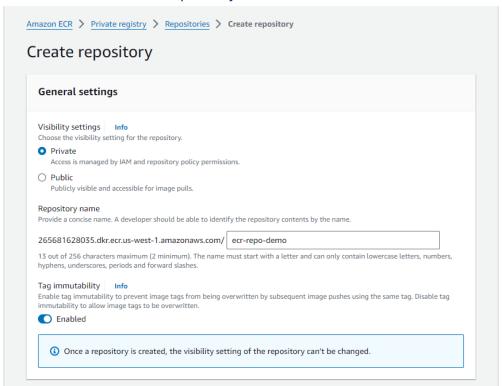
```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/analytics/app$ export
DB USERNAME=postgres
export POSTGRES PASSWORD=I2nCIqCbei
export DB PASSWORD=${POSTGRES PASSWORD}
export DB HOST=127.0.0.1
export DB PORT=5433
export DB NAME=postgres
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/analytics/app$ python3 app.py
* Serving Flask app 'config'
* Debug mode: off
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a
production WSGI server instead.
 * Running on all addresses (0.0.0.0)
* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5153
* Running on http://172.19.161.153:5153
Press CTRL+C to quit
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ curl http://127.0.0.1:5153/api/reports/daily usage
{"2023-02-07":40,"2023-02-08":202,"2023-02-09":179,"2023-02-10":158,"2023-02-
11":146,"2023-02-12":176,"2023-02-13":196,"2023-02-14":142}
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ curl http://127.0.0.1:5153/api/reports/user visits
{"1":{"joined at":"2023-01-20 03:23:39.757813","visits":6},"2":{"joined at":"2023-02-02
16:23:39.757830","visits":5},"3":{"joined at":"2023-01-31 10:23:39.757836",...
```

Set up Continuous Integration with AWS ECR & CodeBuild

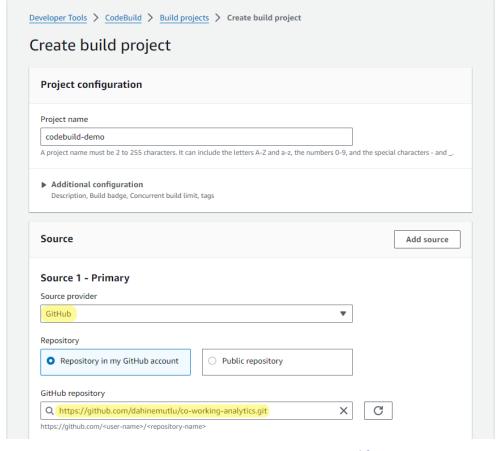
Create a new GitHub repository:



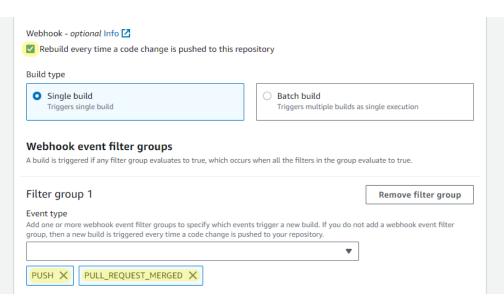
Create a new AWS ECR repository:

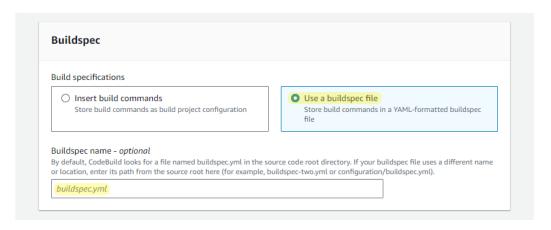


Set up an AWS CodeBuild pipeline that has access to pull from this GitHub repository:

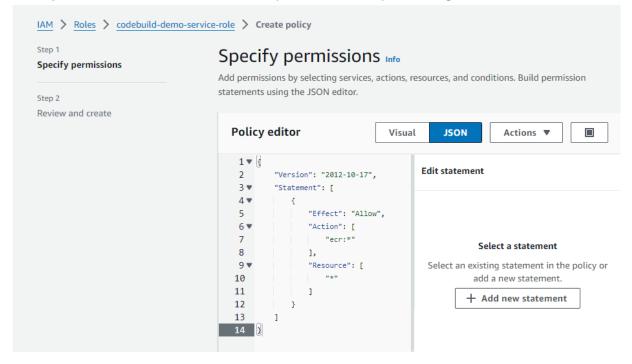








Modify the IAM role so that it can have permissions to push images into ECR:



Push a commit to the GitHub repository:

```
$ git init
Initialized empty Git repository in C:/analytics/.git/
dnemu@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF MINGW64 /c/analytics (master)
$ git add .
dnemu@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF MINGW64 /c/analytics (master)
$ git commit -m "first commit"
[master (root-commit) eefa833] first commit
7 files changed, 137 insertions(+)
create mode 100644 Dockerfile
create mode 100644 app/ init .py
create mode 100644 app/ pycache /config.cpython-310.pyc
create mode 100644 app/app.py
create mode 100644 app/config.py
create mode 100644 app/requirements.txt
create mode 100644 buildspec.yml
$ git remote add origin https://github.com/dahinemutlu/co-working-analytics.git
$ git branch -M main
 git push -u origin main
```

```
Enumerating objects: 11, done.

Counting objects: 100% (11/11), done.

Delta compression using up to 8 threads

Compressing objects: 100% (10/10), done.

Writing objects: 100% (11/11), 2.58 KiB | 2.58 MiB/s, done.

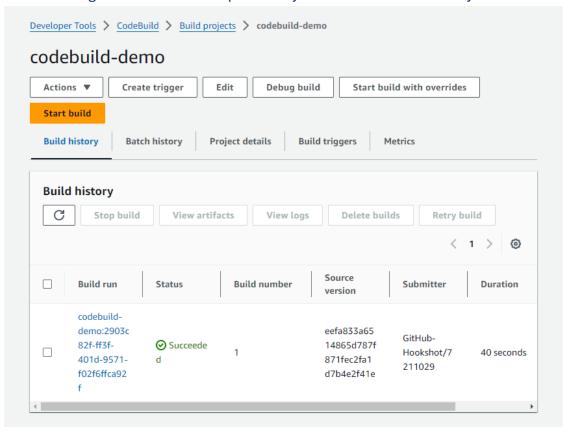
Total 11 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0

To https://github.com/dahinemutlu/co-working-analytics.git

* [new branch] main -> main

branch 'main' set up to track 'origin/main'.
```

We should see in CodeBuild, a new build has been created. Once this build is succeeded, we should see the new image in the ECR that is pushed by CodeBuild automatically:



Deploy the Application

Apply YAML configurations:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/deployment$ kubectl apply -f analytics-configmap.yaml configmap/db-env created dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/deployment$ kubectl apply -f analytics-secret.yaml secret/db-secret created dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~/microservices-aws-k8s-project/deployment$ kubectl apply -f analytics.yaml service/analytics created deployment.apps/analytics created
```

Verify the deployment:

```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl get svc
NAME
                            TYPE
                                           CLUSTER-IP
                                                             EXTERNAL-IP
PORT(S)
                 AGE
analytics
                            LoadBalancer
                                           10.100.156.114
aff6d714e6073412c8ffac13469e5dcf-220302131.us-west-1.elb.amazonaws.com
                                                                           5153:31959/TCP
46s
kubernetes
                            ClusterIP
                                           10.100.0.1
                                                             <none>
                 12h
443/TCP
```

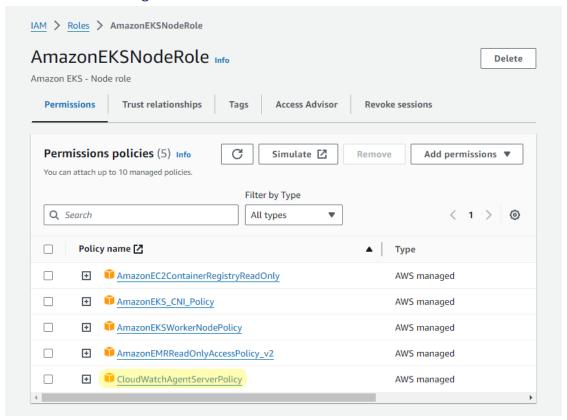
```
my-release-postgresql
                           ClusterIP
                                          10.100.69.0
                                                           <none>
5432/TCP
                 12h
my-release-postgresql-hl
                           ClusterIP
                                          None
                                                           <none>
5432/TCP
                 12h
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl describe deployment analytics
Name:
                        analytics
Namespace:
                        default
CreationTimestamp:
                        Sun, 31 Mar 2024 23:56:33 +0300
Labels:
                        name=analytics
Annotations:
                        deployment.kubernetes.io/revision: 1
                        service=analytics
Selector:
Replicas:
                        1 desired | 1 updated | 1 total | 1 available | 0 unavailable
StrategyType:
                        RollingUpdate
MinReadySeconds:
RollingUpdateStrategy: 25% max unavailable, 25% max surge
Pod Template:
  Labels: service=analytics
 Containers:
  analytics:
   Image:
                265681628035.dkr.ecr.us-west-1.amazonaws.com/ecr-repo-demo:1
   Port:
               <none>
   Host Port: <none>
               http-get http://:5153/health check delay=5s timeout=2s period=10s
   Liveness:
#success=1 #failure=3
   Readiness: http-get http://:5153/readiness check delay=5s timeout=5s period=10s
#success=1 #failure=3
   Environment:
      DB NAME:
                    <set to the key 'DB NAME' of config map 'db-env'>
                                                                           Optional:
false
                    <set to the key 'DB HOST' of config map 'db-env'>
                                                                           Optional:
      DB HOST:
false
      DB PORT:
                    <set to the key 'DB PORT' of config map 'db-env'>
                                                                           Optional:
false
      DB USERNAME: <set to the key 'DB USERNAME' of config map 'db-env'> Optional:
false
      DB PASSWORD: <set to the key 'DB PASSWORD' in secret 'db-secret'>
                                                                           Optional:
false
   Mounts:
                    <none>
 Volumes:
                    <none>
Conditions:
  Type
                 Status Reason
  ____
 Available
                True
                         MinimumReplicasAvailable
                         NewReplicaSetAvailable
  Progressing
                True
OldReplicaSets: <none>
                analytics-65ccbb6fc8 (1/1 replicas created)
NewReplicaSet:
Events:
  Type
         Reason
                             Age
                                   From
                                                          Message
 Normal ScalingReplicaSet 101s deployment-controller Scaled up replica set
analytics-65ccbb6fc8 to 1
```

Verify the application:

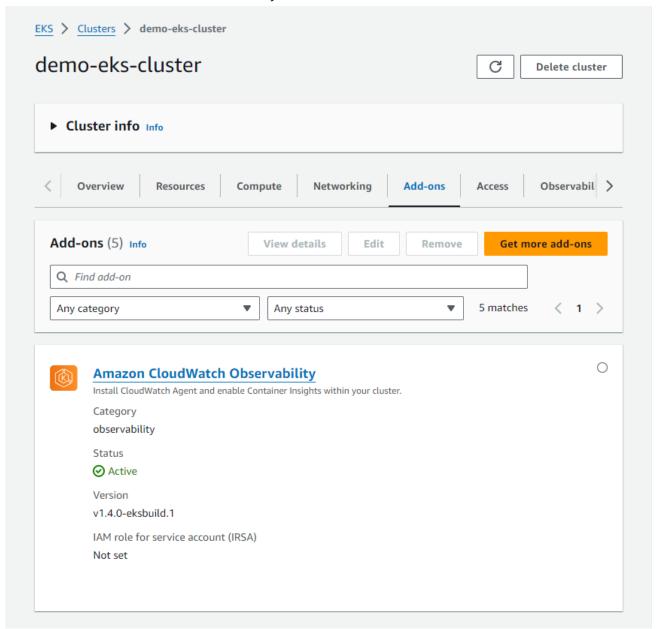
```
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl get pods
NAME
                             READY
                                     STATUS
                                               RESTARTS
                                                           AGE
analytics-65ccbb6fc8-cw89z
                             1/1
                                     Running
                                                           2m47s
                             1/1
my-release-postgresql-0
                                     Running
                                                           12h
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl logs analytics-65ccbb6fc8-cw89z
* Serving Flask app 'config'
* Debug mode: off
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a
production WSGI server instead.
* Running on all addresses (0.0.0.0)
* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5153
* Running on http://172.31.22.240:5153
Press CTRL+C to quit
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:56:43] "GET /health check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:56:43] "GET /readiness_check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:56:53] "GET /health check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:56:53] "GET /readiness check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:57:03] "GET /health check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.31.23.68 - - [31/Mar/2024 20:57:03] "GET /readiness check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
[2024-03-31 20:57:08,269] INFO in app: {'2023-02-12': 176, '2023-02-13': 196, '2023-02-
09': 179, '2023-02-11': 146, '2023-02-14': 142, '2023-02-07': 40, '2023-02-10': 158,
'2023-02-08': 202}
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ kubectl port-forward service/analytics 5152:5153 &
[1] 7243
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ Forwarding from 127.0.0.1:5152 -> 5153
Forwarding from [::1]:5152 -> 5153
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ curl http://127.0.0.1:5152/api/reports/daily usage
{"2023-02-07":40,"2023-02-08":202,"2023-02-09":179,"2023-02-10":158,"2023-02-
11":146,"2023-02-12":176,"2023-02-13":196,"2023-02-14":142}
dahi@DESKTOP-ATVVKNF:~$ curl http://127.0.0.1:5152/api/reports/user visits
{"1":{"joined at":"2023-01-20 03:23:39.757813","visits":6},"2":{"joined at":"2023-02-02
16:23:39.757830","visits":5},"3":{"joined at":"2023-01-31
10:23:39.757836","visits":5},...
```

Load Test and Monitoring

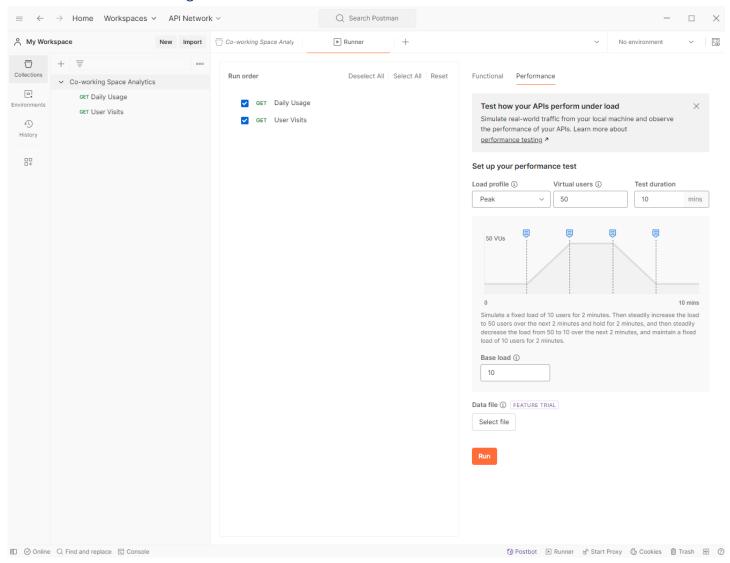
Attach the necessary policy (CloudWatchAgentServerPolicy) to the IAM role for your worker nodes to send metrics and logs to CloudWatch:



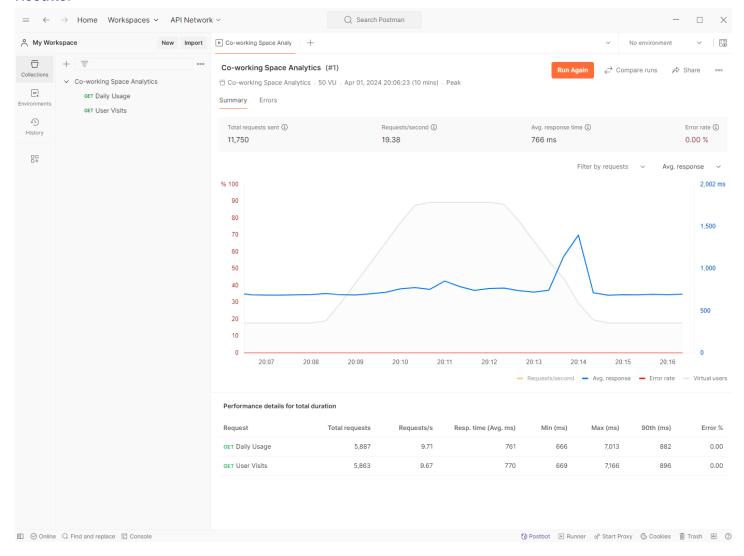
Add Amazon CloudWatch Observability add-on to the EKS cluster:



Perform an API load testing:

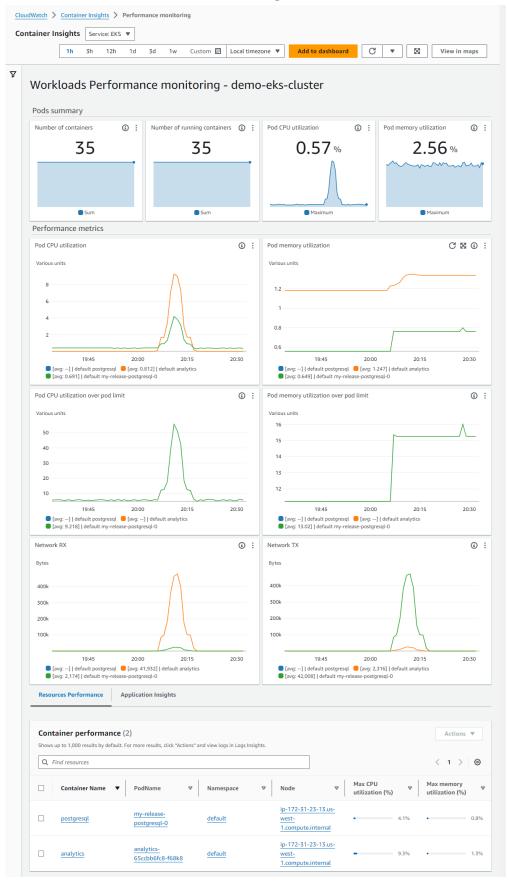


Results:



Both APIs were tested for 10 minutes with concurrent requests from 50 virtual users. All requests (~11k) were processed without any error and the average response time for both APIs is under 1 second.

Check AWS CloudWatch container insights:



The maximum CPU utilization was 9.3% and the maximum memory utilization was 1.3% by the analytics application pod. According to the performance test and CloudWatch metrics, we see that the system works smoothly under such a load and does not consume a lot of resources. If it is expected that there will be no more load than this, lower equipped AWS instances (such as t3.small) may be preferred to reduce the cost.

Check AWS CloudWatch logs:

