

AWS Production Account

Tests

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1. Context

This document provides a detailed description how I tested my `EBS` data volume implementation on OpenRemote's AWS account.

2. Configure AWS account

Before running the `CI/CD` workflow, I configured the `AWS` account with the required `IAM` policies and provisioned/updated several `CloudFormation` stacks.

2.1. Provisioning / Updating CloudFormation Stacks

First, I provisioned the `or-ssm` CloudFormation stack to ensure the `SSM` documents are available in `Amazon Systems Manager (SSM)`. When an new AWS account is provisioned using the `provision_account` workflow, these documents are automatically created during workflow execution. In this case the AWS account was already created. Therefore, I need to add these documents manually to ensure the workflow can execute them to attach/mount the `EBS` data volume to the instance.

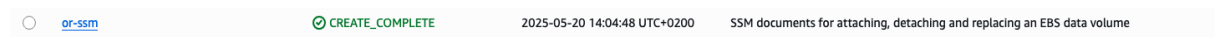


Figure 1: The CloudFormation Stack `or-ssm` has been provisioned successfully

I also updated the existing `or-dashboard-default` CloudFormation stack to make the `EBS` data volume visible on the `CloudWatch` Dashboard.



2.2. Updating IAM Roles

In the `CI/CD` workflow, I've added the feature to create an `DLM` policy for automatic snapshot creation. Before this can be provisioned, the `IAM` role that's assumed by the `CI/CD` runner needs to have the appropriate permissions. I added the following permissions to the `developers-access-eu-west-1` role:

- `DLMPolicy (Inline)`
 - `dlm:CreateLifecyclePolicy` - To create the Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager policy for automatic snapshot creation.
 - `dlm:TagResource` - To tag the resources (volumes) that needs to be targeted by the `DLM` policy.
- `IAMPassRole (Inline)`
 - `arn:aws:iam::xxxxx:role/developers-access-eu-west-1` - To be able to pass this `IAM` role to the `DLM` service.
- `AWSDataLifecycleManagerServiceRole (Policy)` - To give `DLM` permissions to take actions on AWS resources, for example to create snapshots from the `EBS` data volume on behalf of the AWS user.

I also added the `DLM` service to the trusted entities to ensure `DLM` can assume this role.

```
"Effect": "Allow",  
"Principal": {  
  "Service": "dlm.amazonaws.com",
```

Figure 2: The DLM service is added to the trusted policies

3. Provisioning host

After configuring the AWS account, I was able to run the `provision_host` workflow with my changes. Since the implementation is not merged in the `master` branch, I need to use the following `GitHub` CLI command to run the workflow from a different branch:

```
gh workflow run "provision host" --ref feature/ebs-volume-creation --field
↩ ACCOUNT_NAME=openremote --field HOST=dennis.openremote.app
```

The workflow provisions a new host in the `openremote` AWS account with the hostname (FQDN) `dennis.openremote.app`. The following services are provisioned: - An `EC2` instance configured with `Docker`, `Docker-Compose` - An `EBS` Data Volume that's mounted to the `/var/lib/docker/volumes` directory - An `DLM` policy for automatically create snapshots from the `EBS` data volume - Several `CloudWatch` healthchecks to monitor the performance of the `EC2` instance and the OpenRemote platform - An `S3` bucket for storing the `PGDUMP` PostgreSQL backup file

After approximately 5 minutes, the workflow has finished execution and the host is ready to be used.

The screenshot displays the GitHub Actions interface for the 'Provision Host' workflow. On the left, a sidebar shows the workflow's progress, with 'Provision Host' marked as completed. The main panel shows the workflow's execution log, which includes the following steps and output:

```

Provision
succeeded last week in 4m 22s

> Set up job
> Check CI/CD team membership
> Checkout
> Provision Host
  1 Run chmod +x .ci_cd/aws/*
  18 Validating AWS credentials
  19 {
  20   "UserId": "AIDAR6UPFQBSA6K4KML42",
  21   "Account": "134517981306",
  22   "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::134517981306:user/github-cli"
  23 }
  24 Login succeeded
  25 463235666115
  26 Setting github-da role ARN to 'arn:aws:iam::463235666115:role/***-eu-west-1'
  27 Provisioning SMTP user
  28 Stack already exists for this host's SMTP user 'dennis.openremote.app' current status is 'CREATE_COMPLETE'
  29 Determining DNS parameters
  30 openremote.app. true
  31 Found hosted zone for this host 'openremote.app'
  32 Create stack in progress
  33 Waiting for stack to be created
  34 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  35 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  36 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  37 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  38 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  39 Stack creation is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  40 Stack creation is complete
  41 Attaching/Mounting EBS data volume
  42 Attaching/Mounting EBS data volume is still in progress .. Sleeping 30 seconds
  43 Attaching/Mounting EBS data volume is complete
  44 Provisioning S3 bucket for host 'dennis.openremote.app'
  45 Bucket for this host already exists
  46 Provisioning Healthcheck Alarm
  47 Stack already exists for this host's Healthcheck 'dennis-openremote-app-healthcheck' current status is 'CREATE_COMPLETE'

```

Figure 3: The Provision Host CI/CD workflow has been executed successfully and provisioned the EC2 instance in the AWS account

4. Tests in the AWS account

After provisioning the host in the AWS account I can start testing the `EBS` volume implementation.

4.1. Deploying OpenRemote to the new host

When the `provision_host` workflow is successfully executed, it creates an empty `EC2` instance. Before I can test my implementation I need to deploy OpenRemote on this virtual machine. I used the `CI/CD` workflow to deploy the branch `feature/edit-map-layers` to this instance. This takes around 10 minutes as it needs to build the `Docker` images first.

When this workflow is finished successfully, OpenRemote is running on the `EC2` instance and accessible using the hostname (`dennis.openremote.app`)

```

339 temp/aws/cloudformation-create-ers.yml
340 temp/aws/smtp_credentials_generate.py
341 temp/aws/start_stop_host.sh
342 temp/aws/login.sh
343 temp/aws/provision_account.sh
344 temp/aws/cloudformation-create-ec2.yml
345 temp/aws/cloudformation-healthcheck-alarm.yml
346 temp/deployment.tar.gz
347 temp/docker-compose.yml
348 temp/host_init/
349 temp/host_init/backup.sh
350 temp/host_init/clean.sh
351 temp/host_init/init.sh
352 temp/host_init/post_init.sh
353 temp/host_init/restart.sh
354 temp/host_init/.gitignore
355 Copying temp dir to host
356 Warning: Permanently added 'dennis.openremote.app' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
357 Running deployment on host
358 Pseudo-terminal will not be allocated because stdin is not a terminal.
359 Warning: Permanently added 'dennis.openremote.app' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
360 ~_#_
361 ~_###_ Amazon Linux 2023
362 ~_###\
363 ~_###|
364 ~_###/ https://aws.amazon.com/linux/amazon-linux-2023
365 ~_###' ->
366 ~_###/
367 ~_###/
368 ~_###/
369 ~_###/
370 Removing old temp deployment dir
371 Extracting temp dir
372 temp/
373 temp/manager.tar.gz
374 temp/env

```

Figure 4: The CI/CD workflow has been executed successfully and deployed OpenRemote to the EC2 instance

4.2. Testing Detach Volume

First, I tested the option to detach the `EBS` volume by executing the `detach_volume` `SSM` document using the `volumeId`. After the document is successfully executed I manually checked every step to make sure the tasks are executed correctly.

Execution detail: detach_volume

Execution description

Outputs

Execution status

Overall status	All executed steps	# Succeeded
Success	7	7
# Failed	# Cancelled	# TimedOut
0	0	0

Executed steps (7)

Step ID	Step #	Step name	Action	Status	Start time	End time
76150a01-e974-4b43-8853-ada5062a821c	1	GetVolumeDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:44:56 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:44:56 GMT
187c0b08-ed06-4408-9c58-7d4d201694f1	2	GetInstanceDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:44:57 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:44:57 GMT
6a8c93fa-ed06-4410-8346-970220bbab00	3	UnmountVolume	aws:runCommand	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:44:57 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:10 GMT
35e7d582-f640-461b-8055-5be1adbdb527	4	WaitForUnmount	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:10 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:11 GMT
3a2066f2-9a30-4a51-aed4-44f5a72c52	5	DetachVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:11 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:12 GMT
74071266-2778-4669-a4f2-3b97b5304ab	6	WaitForVolumeDetachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:12 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:16 GMT
6d363b05-7405-4ee0-9e2e-2e4c77b4c708	7	UpdateTag	aws:createTags	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:16 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:45:16 GMT

Figure 5: The Detach Volume SSM automation is successfully executed

4.2.1. Volume is detached from the EC2 instance

The `EBS` data volume is correctly detached from the EC2 instance. Only the `root` volume is still attached. The `EBS` data volume is also not showing up in the `block devices` list anymore.

Root device details

Root device name	Root device type	EBS optimization
/dev/xvda	EBS	disabled

Block devices

Volume ID	Device name	Volume size (GiB)	Volume State	Attachment status	Attachment time	Encrypted	KMS key ID
vol-OadC7d8fc8578f1e2	/dev/xvda	30	In-use	Attached	2025/05/20 11:47 GMT+2	No	--

Figure 6: The EBS data volume is detached from the EC2 instance

4.2.2. Volume is umounted

The `EBS` data volume is successfully umounted from the `/var/lib/docker/volumes` directory. The `docker` persistent volumes are no longer available by the filesystem.


```
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$ sudo lsblk -f
NAME                                FSTYPE FSVER LABEL UUID                                FSAVAIL FSUSE% MOUNTPOINTS
nvme0n1
├─nvme0n1p1  xfs          /      cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698    21.8G    27% /
└─nvme0n1p128 vfat     FAT16   F332-4170    8.6M    14% /boot/efi
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$
```

Figure 7: The EBS data volume is umounted from the file system

4.2.3. Docker is successfully stopped

The `Docker` service and socket are successfully stopped. The `Docker` containers are no longer running and OpenRemote is shutdown safely.

```
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$ docker ps
Cannot connect to the Docker daemon at unix:///var/run/docker.sock. Is the docker daemon running?
```

Figure 8: The Docker service and socket are successfully stopped

4.2.4. Entry in the File Systems Table

When the `EBS` volume is successfully detached, the system has removed the entry from the file systems table in the `/etc/fstab` file.

```
#
UUID=cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698 / xfs defaults,noatime 1 1
UUID=F332-4170 /boot/efi vfat defaults,noatime,uid=0,gid=0,umask=0077,shortname=winnt,x-systemd.automount 0 2
/swapfile swap swap defaults 0 0
```

Figure 9: The EBS data volume is removed from the File Systems Table

4.2.5. Volume not targeted by DLM Policy

The tag gets updated to `or-data-not-in-use` to make sure the `EBS` data volume is no longer targeted by the `DLM` policy. The policy only needs to target the `EBS` data volume that is currently attached to the instance.

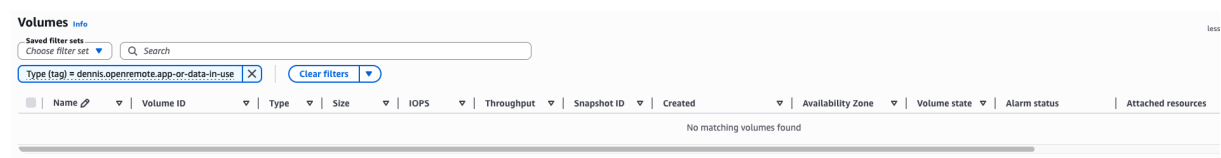


Figure 10: The EBS data volume is not targeted by the DLM policy anymore

4.3. Testing Attach Volume

When the `EBS` volume is successfully detached from the `EC2` instance I start testing the possibility to attach the `EBS` volume again using the `attach_volume` `SSM` document. After the document is successfully executed I manually go through every step to ensure it's processed correctly.

Execution detail: attach_volume

Execution description

Outputs

Execution status

Overall status	All executed steps	# Succeeded
Success	6	6
# Failed	# Cancelled	# TimedOut
0	0	0

Executed steps (6)

Step ID	Step #	Step name	Action	Status	Start time	End time
68651076-6773-4f8a-9d8f-5d0ef83554d3	1	GetInstanceDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:48:58 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:48:58 GMT
f68f8d9f-f820-4820-5d80-a199a2768f8f	2	AttachVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:48:59 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:48:59 GMT
73343296-5d8f-4064-9c7a-6d996c0a0e0d	3	WaitForVolumeAttachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:48:59 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:03 GMT
0e5a8c47-7264-4300-906e-c3439a1d0d05	4	MountVolume	aws:runCommand	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:03 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:08 GMT
5f4360f0-9f5b-40a5-a2fc-f66642f275a5	5	WaitForVolumeMounting	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:08 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:09 GMT
6669441c-9a4d-409b-8233-067960379d22	6	UpdateTag	aws:createTags	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:09 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:49:09 GMT

Figure 11: The Attach Volume SSM automation is successfully executed

4.3.1. Volume is attached to the EC2 instance

The `EBS` data volume is successfully attached to the `EC2` instance.

Root device details

Root device name	Root device type	EBS optimization
/dev/xvda	EBS	disabled

Block devices

Volume ID	Device name	Volume size (GiB)	Volume State	Attachment status	Attachment time	Encrypted	KMS key ID
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vol-0adc7d8fc8578f1e2	/dev/xvda	30	In-use	Attached	2025/05/20 11:47 GMT+2	No	-
<input type="checkbox"/> vol-0425bc7ec71b64614	/dev/sdf	16	In-use	Attached	2025/05/21 13:48 GMT+2	No	-

Figure 12: The EBS data volume is attached to the EC2 instance

4.3.2. Volume is mounted

The `EBS` data volume is successfully mounted to the `/var/lib/docker/volumes` directory.

```
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$ sudo lsblk -f
NAME                                FSTYPE FSVER LABEL UUID                                FSAVAIL FSUSE% MOUNTPOINTS
nvme0n1
├─nvme0n1p1      xfs          /      cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698    21.7G    27% /
├─nvme0n1p128    vfat      FAT16    F332-4170                                8.6M    14% /boot/efi
└─nvme1n1        xfs          f5a39fa0-a2ec-465d-ba54-2955649f02d6    15.7G     1% /var/lib/docker/volumes
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$
```

Figure 13: The EBS data volume is mounted to the Docker volumes directory

4.3.3. Entry in the File Systems Table

After successfully attaching the **EBS** data volume to the **EC2** instance, the script will add the **block device** to the file systems table in the **/etc/fstab** file.

```
GNU nano 8.3
#
UUID=cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698    /          xfs     defaults,noatime 1 1
UUID=F332-4170    /boot/efi    vfat    defaults,noatime,uid=0,gid=0,umask=0077,shortname=winnt,x-systemd.automount 0 2
/swapfile swap swap defaults 0 0
UUID=f5a39fa0-a2ec-465d-ba54-2955649f02d6 /var/lib/docker/volumes xfs defaults,nofail 0 2
```

Figure 14: The EBS data volume is added to the File Systems Table

4.3.4. Volume is targeted by DLM Policy

The script has updated the tag to **or-data-in-use** to make sure the **EBS** volume is targeted by the **DLM** policy again. **DLM** will now create automatic snapshots for this volume.

Volumes (1) [info](#)

Save filter sets. Choose filter set:

Type (tag) = dennis.openremote.app-or-data-in-use

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Volume ID	Type	Size	IOPS	Throughput	Snapshot ID	Created	Availability Zone	Volume state	Alarm status	Attached resources	Status check	Encryption
<input type="checkbox"/>	dennis.openre...	vol-0425bc7ec71b64614	gp3	16 GiB	3000	125	snap-0ad815003901616a	2025/05/21 13:21 GMT+2	eu-west-1a	In-use	No alarms	+ i-Offf8aa72dc1a32e (den...	Okay	Not encrypt

Figure 15: The EBS Data volume is targeted by the DLM Policy

4.3.5. Docker is successfully started

The script enables the **Docker** socket and service. The existing containers are automatically trying to boot up. After a few minutes all the containers became healthy and OpenRemote is accesible.

```
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$ docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE                                COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS
9a5922c7b794   openremote/proxy:latest             "/entrypoint.sh run"    38 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy)   0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp, 0.0.0.0:443->443/tcp, :::443
e15ed6ef40e2   openremote/manager:3fb3efb66       "/bin/sh -c 'java $O..." 38 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy)   1883/tcp, 8080/tcp, 8443/tcp, 127.0.0.1:8405->8405/tcp
ed0124fb8c3e   openremote/keycloak:latest         "/bin/sh -c '/opt/ke..." 38 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy)   8080/tcp, 8443/tcp
3824b4f38e2a   openremote/postgresql:latest       "/or-entrypoint.sh p..." 38 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy)   5432/tcp, 8008/tcp, 8081/tcp
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$
```

Figure 16: The Docker containers are healthy

When visiting the OpenRemote platform, all the data is visible and the platform is working as expected.

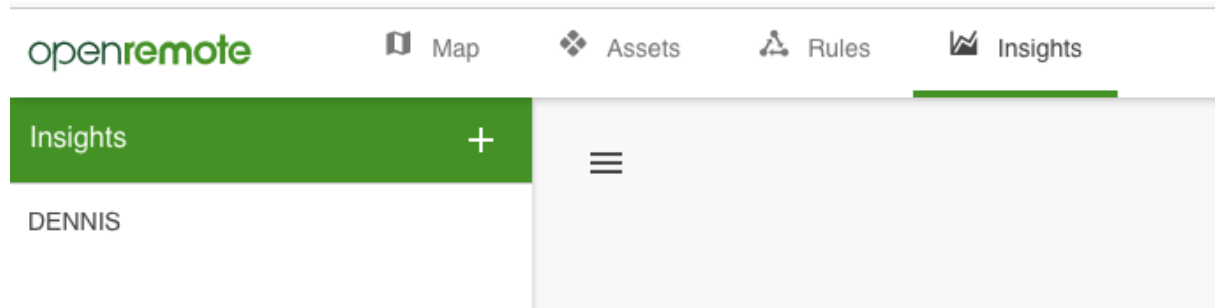


Figure 17: The IoT data is successfully loaded and available in the platform

4.4. Testing Replace Volume with/without Volume Deletion

In this section, I tested the option to replace an existing `EBS` data volume with an snapshot using the `replace_volume` `SSM` document. In this example, the script is configured to keep the original `EBS` data volume. After successfully executed the document, I checked every step manually to make sure all the tasks are executed properly.

Execution detail: replace_volume

Execution description

Outputs

Execution status

Overall status	All executed steps	# Succeeded
Success	9	9
# Failed	# Cancelled	# TimedOut
0	0	0

Executed steps (10)

Step ID	Step #	Step name	Action	Status	Start time	End time
09c6473-72a0-4c56-9b5a-f0b4500ce820	1	GetVolumeDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:00 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:00 GMT
a74d5975-92bf-4527-a846-473b1f3dbca	2	GetInstanceDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:00 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:01 GMT
226a94e5-9279-4268-9f67-a956d7f82c5	3	CreateVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:01 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:02 GMT
b6f5d9c4-499e-4506-a079-a7c0b4295956	4	WaitForVolumeCreation	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:02 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:06 GMT
e895a860-d5e5-425c-8d1e-8b0166e09a2f	5	DetachVolume	aws:executeAutomation	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:06 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:28 GMT
3c205e7-fce2-497c-ab74-a9d511c0faf3	6	WaitForVolumeDetachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:28 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:28 GMT
1fa09f5-4346-4210-945b-c5c2719c514f	7	AttachVolume	aws:executeAutomation	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:28 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:40 GMT
5e8b1706-d2be-4aaf-8c72-d9a39d919477	8	WaitForVolumeAttachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:40 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:41 GMT
bd1c0b04-67d8-4a8f-b7a5-fa4ef5d73727	9	ChooseVolumeDeletion	aws:branch	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:41 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:55:41 GMT
c2177d90-e889-46d6-a8f0-78cfbc883da	10	DeleteVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Pending	-	-

Figure 18: The Replace Volume SSM automation is successfully executed without deleting the current EBS data volume

4.4.1. Create new volume from snapshot

The script creates a new **EBS** data volume based off an existing snapshot and attaches this volume to the **EC2** instance. The existing **EBS** data volume will be detached from the instance.

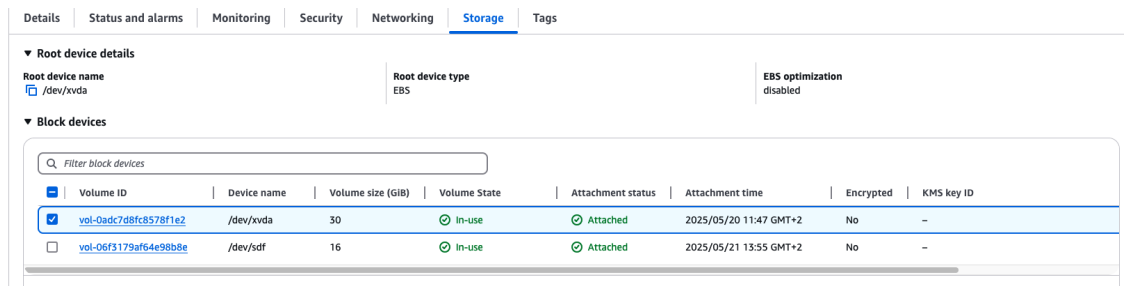


Figure 19: The current EBS data volume is replaced with the new EBS data volume that is based off an existing snapshot

4.4.2. Old volume detached

The current **EBS** data volume is successfully detached from the **EC2** instance and is visible in the **volumes** overview

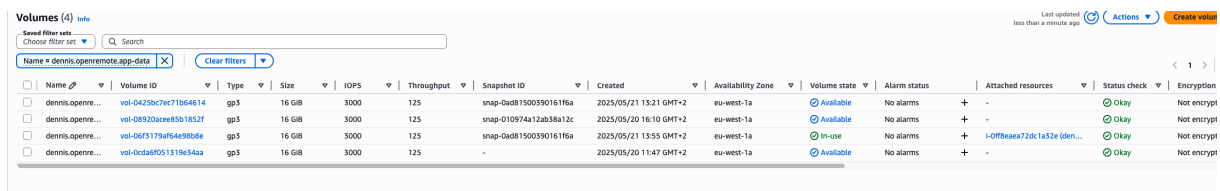


Figure 20: The current EBS data volume is detached from the EC2 instance

4.4.3. New volume mounted

The newly created **EBS** data volume is mounted to the **/var/lib/docker/volumes** directory. The snapshot data (docker volumes) are available in this directory.

```
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$ sudo lsblk -f
NAME                                FSTYPE FSVER LABEL UUID                                FSAVAIL FSUSE% MOUNTPOINTS
nvme0n1
├─nvme0n1p1 xfs      /      cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698  21.7G   27% /
├─nvme0n1p128 vfat    FAT16   F332-4170  8.6M    14% /boot/efi
└─nvme1n1 xfs      /      f5a39fa0-a2ec-465d-ba54-2955649f02d6  15.7G    1% /var/lib/docker/volumes
[ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~]$
```

Figure 21: The newly created EBS data volume is mounted to the Docker volumes directory

4.4.4. Entry in the File Systems Table

The newly created **EBS** data volume is added to the file systems table in the `/etc/fstab` file. The old volume is removed from this table.

```
GNU nano 8.3
#
UUID=cf693c2d-6ad0-4fa6-8f5e-6b46d31cd698 / xfs defaults,noatime 1 1
UUID=F332-4170 /boot/efi vfat defaults,noatime,uid=0,gid=0,umask=0077,shortname=winnt,x-systemd.automount 0 2
/swapfile swap swap defaults 0 0
UUID=f5a39fa0-a2ec-465d-ba54-2955649f02d6 /var/lib/docker/volumes xfs defaults,nofail 0 2
```

Figure 22: The newly created EBS data volume is added to the File Systems Table

4.4.5. New volume is targeted by DLM Policy

Only the newly created **EBS** data volume is targeted by the **DLM** policy using the tag `or-data-in-use`. The tag from the old volume is updated to `or-data-not-in-use` to ensure it's no longer targeted by the **DLM** policy.

Volumes (1) info

Save filter sets Choose filter set Q Search

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	Name	Volume ID	Type	Size	IOPS	Throughput	Snapshot ID	Created	Availability Zone	Volume state	Alarm status	Attached resources	Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	dennis.openre...	vol-06f3173af64e98b8e	gp3	16 GiB	3000	125	snap-Gad81500390161f6a	2025/05/21 13:55 GMT+2	eu-west-1a	In-use	No alarms	+ i-0ff8eaea72dc1a332e (den...	Okay

Figure 23: The EBS Data volume is targeted by the DLM Policy

4.4.6. Docker is starting

The scripts starts the **Docker** service and socket. The containers are booting up again using the existing **docker** volumes from the snapshot that are mounted to the `/var/lib/docker/volumes` directory.

```
ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~$ nano /etc/fstab
ec2-user@ip-10-76-0-15 ~$ docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE                                COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS
9a5922c7b794   openremote/proxy:latest             "/entrypoint.sh run"    45 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy) 0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp, 0.0.0.0:443->443/tcp, :::443->443/t
e15ed6ef40e2   openremote/manager:3fb3efb66        "/bin/sh -c 'java $O..." 45 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy) 1883/tcp, 8080/tcp, 8443/tcp, 127.0.0.1:8405->8405/tcp
ed0124fb8c3e   openremote/keycloak:latest          "/bin/sh -c '/opt/ke..." 45 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy) 8080/tcp, 8443/tcp
1324b4f38e2a   openremote/postgresql:latest        "/or-entrypoint.sh p..." 45 minutes ago Up About a minute (healthy) 5432/tcp, 8008/tcp, 8081/tcp
```

Figure 24: The Docker containers are healthy

After a few minutes, the containers are healthy and OpenRemote is accessible again. The data from the snapshot is successfully loaded.

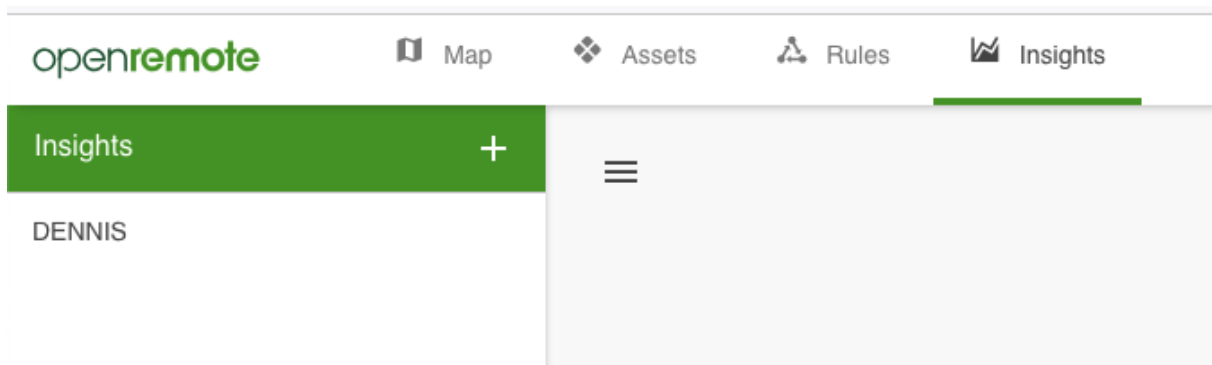


Figure 25: The IoT data is successfully loaded and available in the platform

4.4.7. Delete original EBS data volume

When the `DeleteVolume` parameter is configured to `true` this step will be executed and the original EBS data volume will be deleted

Execution detail: replace_volume

Execution description

Outputs

Execution status

Overall status	All executed steps	# Succeeded
Success	10	10
# Failed	# Cancelled	# TimedOut
0	0	0

Executed steps (10)

Step ID	Step #	Step name	Action	Status	Start time	End time
be4a59ff-432c-40b6-950a-95da2701685e	1	GetVolumeDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:41 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:42 GMT
6967493f-f580-4b81-a32c-772d54ae9ecd	2	GetInstanceDetails	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:42 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:42 GMT
76107ade-791b-4dfc-9f77-439b35eb7a27	3	CreateVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:42 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:43 GMT
da38d044-10e2-4188-bc88-720f441e27e5	4	WaitForVolumeCreation	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:43 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:47 GMT
e1008d93-20ba-45a9-8651-e970e1bf5abb	5	DetachVolume	aws:executeAutomation	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:58:47 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:08 GMT
a702e322-61a8-4435-a579-458922340942	6	WaitForVolumeDetachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:09 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:09 GMT
665d03a-7314-4d68-b0c6-bee63e1c24c4	7	AttachVolume	aws:executeAutomation	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:09 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:21 GMT
5eca2666-9f97-4558-8071-05aeb0355a2	8	WaitForVolumeAttachment	aws:waitForAwsResourceProperty	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:21 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:22 GMT
fea7dfe0-e735-4c4d-9530-a0f13399df2	9	ChooseVolumeDeletion	aws:branch	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:22 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:22 GMT
091eb8ef-6c8d-4383-9a21-b40d001a7b61	10	DeleteVolume	aws:executeAwsApi	Success	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:22 GMT	Wed, 21 May 2025 11:59:22 GMT

Figure 26: The Replace Volume SSM automation is successfully executed with the option to delete the original EBS data volume

5. Final changes to the implementation

After completing the tests and confirming everything is working as expected, I received one final comment from a team member to review. In the `provision_host` script, I added logic to create the default `DLM` `IAM` role if it doesn't already exist in the AWS account. The `ARN` of this role is then passed to the parameters section of the `create-ec2` `CloudFormation` stack, ensuring the `DLM` policy has the necessary permissions to create snapshots on behalf of the user.

```
# Check for DLM IAM Role
echo "Check for DLM IAM Role"

ROLE_ARN=$(aws iam get-role --role-name AWSDataLifecycleManagerDefaultRole --query
↪ "Role.Arn" --output text $ACCOUNT_PROFILE 2>/dev/null)
if [ -z "$ROLE_ARN" ]; then
    ROLE=$(aws dlm create-default-role --resource-type snapshot --output text
↪ $ACCOUNT_PROFILE)

    if [ $? -ne 0 ]; then
        echo "IAM Role creation has failed"
        exit 1
    else
        echo "IAM Role creation is complete"
    fi

    ROLE_ARN=$(aws iam get-role --role-name AWSDataLifecycleManagerDefaultRole --query
↪ "Role.Arn" --output text $ACCOUNT_PROFILE 2>/dev/null)
fi

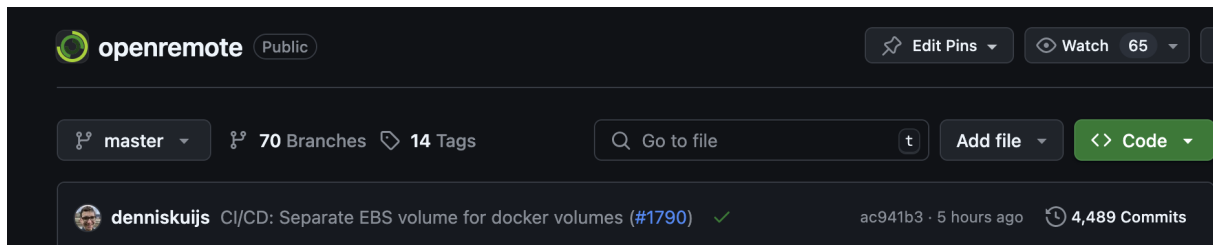
echo "DLM IAM Role found"
```

Instead of creating this role, I added the policy inside the role (`AWSDataLifecycleManagerServiceRole`) to the already existing `developers-access-eu-west-1` role. With this approach the check for the `DLM` `IAM` role can be removed from the `provision_host` script and the `developers-access-eu-west-1` `ARN` can be passed to the parameters section.

To make this work, I added the `DLM` service to the trusted entities in the role's trust policy, allowing it to assume the role. I also included the role's `ARN` in the inline `PassRole` policy to allow `CloudFormation` to assign this role to the `DLM` policy when provisioning the host.

Final moment: Work is merged into the main codebase

On Thursday May 22, 2025 at 5:24 PM the `EBS` data volume implementation is merged into the `master` branch.



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Merged richturner merged 58 commits into `master` from `feature/ebs-volume-creation` last week