LAMP STACK PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

The main aim for this project is to explain the DevOps concepts and processes using a LAMP web stack. Some developers use this set of framework and tools to develop a software products .We would be carrying out this project in the AWS platform

LAMP is an acronym of sets of technology used to develop a technical software product.

Linux

Apache

MySQL

PHP

Please note: (P could also stand for Python or Perl)

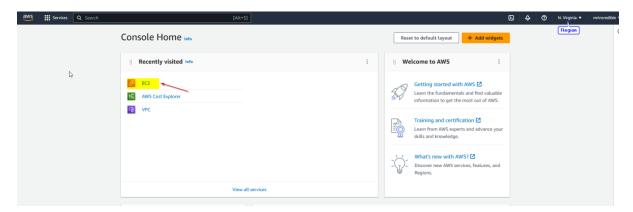
Apache server used is the apache2 version

Pre-requisite for the projects is the following.

- 1) Fundamental Knowledge of Installing and downloading software
- 2) Basic Understanding of Linux Commands
- 3) AWS account login with EC2 instance
- 4) Internet connection

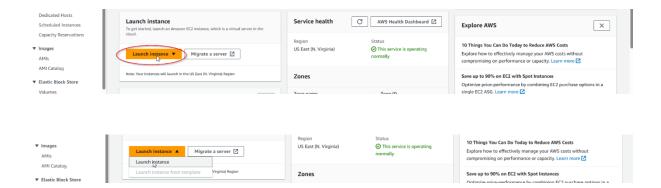
IMPLEMENTATION STEPS:

- i) Ensure you login with your details to your AWS console via the https://aws.amazon.com
- ii) Click on the EC2 link to create instances.



iii)Click on launch instance dropdown button and select launch instance

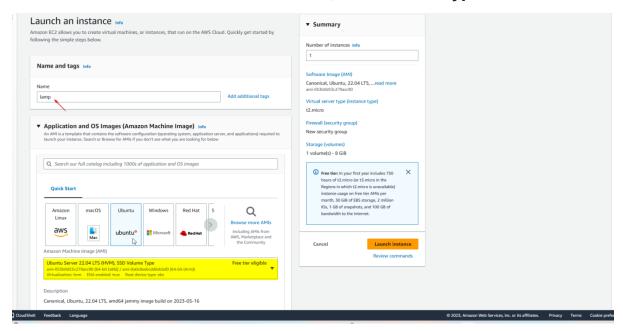
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iv)Fill in all relevant details to the lamp project such as :

Type in the name and additional tag to the project (lamp) .Selected ubuntu from the quick start option .Also note that the Amazon machine image selection varies from user to user

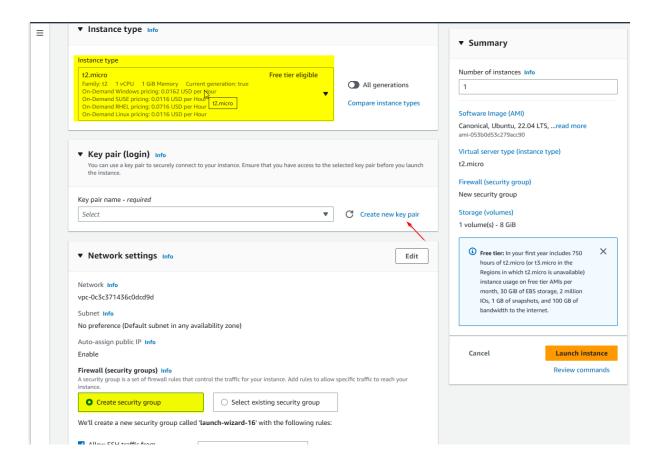
Select Ubuntu server 22.04 LTS (HVM), SSD Volume Type (Free Tier)



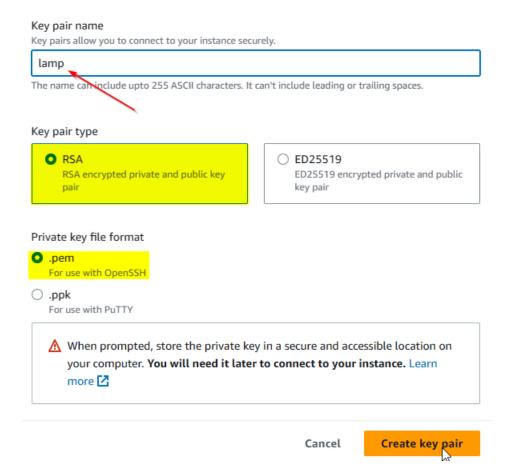
v)The instance type selected in the configuration is the t2 micro -free tier.

Click on the "Create new key pair" link.

Ensure the Checkbox remains on the "Create security group".



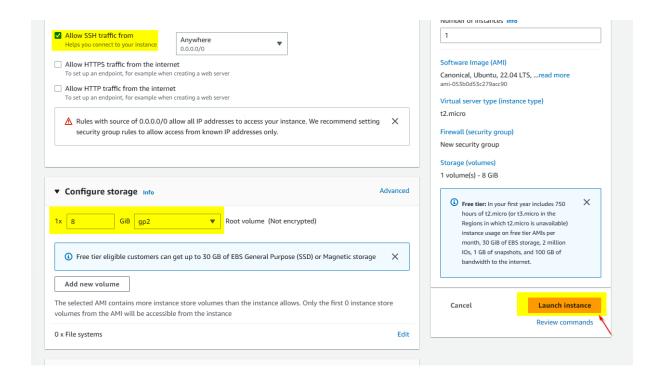
vi)Typed in the key pair name, chose the default key pair type and private key file format (rsa and .pem) and clicked the "Create key pair button"



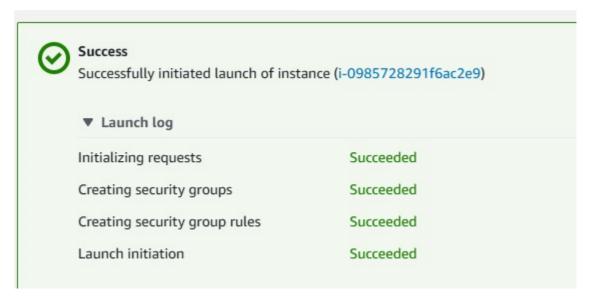
vii)The .pem file was downloaded successfully.

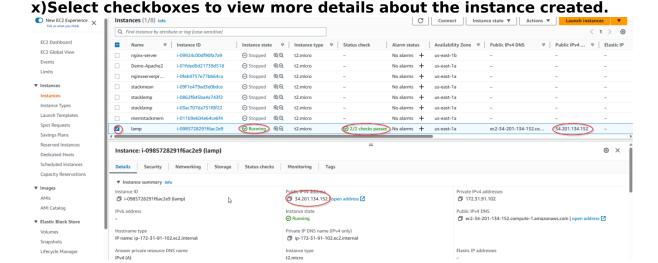


viii)I have deliberately chosen default settings to allow SSH traffic from anywhere as well as the storage volume given by AWS. Then proceed to launch our instance finally.



ix)Instance successfully launched.





The public IP address shown on the screenshot should be copied as we would be using it on the console.

Open git bash on visual studio code or whichever console is convenient to use.

We are using git bash here with Visual Studio Code

```
oshor@Oshority MINGW64 ~ (master)
$ cd Downloads/

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$ ssh -i "lamp.pem" ubuntu@ec2-34-201-134-152.compute-1.amazonaws.com

Type YES ,to connect
$ ssh -1 "lamp.pem" ubuntu@ec2-34-201-134-152.compute-1.amazonaws.com

The authenticity of host 'ec2-34-201-134-152.compute-1.amazonaws.com (34.201.134.152)' can't be established.

ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:515neDj+OxU9O1oEwYZk1YP65Eqw3hm3qqQQVWFEQT4.

This key is not known by any other names.
```

You have successful connected to the EC2 instance launched on AWS via ssh

Type clear to have a clear console and proceed to updating the lists of packages in the package manager

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo apt update
Hit:1 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy InRelease
```

Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes

Then we run apache2 installation and click yes to complete installation

```
Mbuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo apt install apache2
Reading package lists... Done
Fnabling module authz host.
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We have to verify that Apache is running in our Operating System.

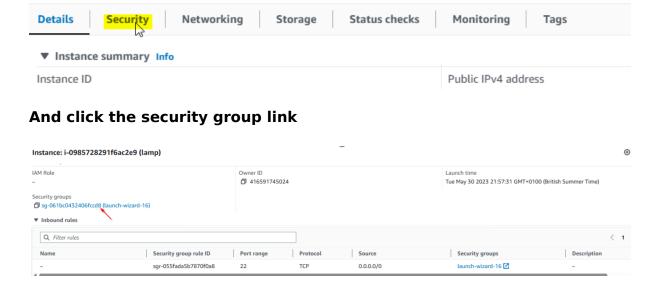
```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo systemctl status apache2
• apache2.service - The Apache HTTP Server
    Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/apache2.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)
    Active: active (running) since Tue 2023-05-30 21:56:40 UTC; 58s ago
    Docs: https://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/
Main DTD: 2001 (apacha)
```

To proceed by launching the web server in the AWS Cloud, we need to navigate back to the security group on the platform to add a new rule for TCP port 80 which is the default for web browsers .

Once done we can access the web page on internet.

Click on security button.

Instance: i-0985728291f6ac2e9 (lamp)



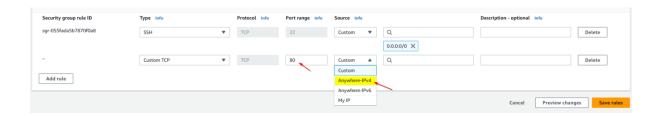
Click on "Edit inbound rules " in order to add a new rule for port 80



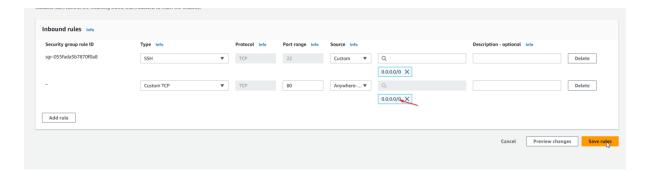
Add a new rule



Type in the port range and click "Anywhere ipv4"



Click the "Save rules" Button



Inbound rule successfully modified.





Apache2 Default Page

It works!

This is the default welcome page used to test the correct operation of the Apache2 server after installation on Ubuntu systems. It is based on the equivalent page on Debian, from which the Ubuntu Apache packaging is derived. If you can read this page, it means that the Apache HTTP server installed at this site is working properly. You should **replace this file** (located at /var/www/html/index.html) before continuing to operate your HTTP server.

If you are a normal user of this web site and don't know what this page is about, this probably means that the site is currently unavailable due to maintenance. If the problem persists, please contact the site's administrator

Apache2 default page successfully displayed.

From the LAMP stack, we have implemented with Linux and got Apache ready .

Next step would be to get the MySQL installed.

MYSQL INSTALLATION

Now that our web server is running, we need a relational database uses within the PHP environment hence we install MySQL server

Type "Y" and enter.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo apt install mysql-server
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
```

When installation is finished, Log in to connect to the MySQL server as the administrator user root so that you can have access to the sudo command.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:⊸$ sudo mysql
Welcome to the MySQL monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MySQL connection id is 8
Server version: 8.0.33-0ubuntu0.22.04.2 (Ubuntu)

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```

It is important to set up a password for the user root using mysql_native_password as a default authentication method. Please note, Password not revealed for security purpose Exit MySQL

```
mysql> ALTER USER 'root'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED WITH mysql_native_password BY Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.02 sec)

mysql> exit
Bye
```

Interactive script is started, and all modifications are answered with a Y/N response

Root user password was set Validate password: No Change password: No

Remove anonymous user: No

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo mysql_secure_installation
Securing the MySQL server deployment.
Enter password for user root:
VALIDATE PASSWORD COMPONENT can be used to test passwords
and improve security. It checks the strength of password
and allows the users to set only those passwords which are
secure enough. Would you like to setup VALIDATE PASSWORD component?
Press y \mid Y for Yes, any other key for No: No
Using existing password for root.
Change the password for root ? ((Press y|Y for Yes, any other key for No) : No
 ... skipping.
By default, a MySQL installation has an anonymous user,
allowing anyone to log into MySQL without having to have a user account created for them. This is intended only for
testing, and to make the installation go a bit smoother.
You should remove them before moving into a production
environment.
Remove anonymous users? (Press y | Y for Yes, any other key for No) : No
 ... skipping.
```

Disallow remote login: No

Remove test data base and access to it: No

Reload Privilege tables: Yes.

```
Normally, root should only be allowed to connect from 'localhost'. This ensures that someone cannot guess at the root password from the network.

Disallow root login remotely? (Press y|Y for Yes, any other key for No): No

... skipping.

By default, MySQL comes with a database named 'test' that anyone can access. This is also intended only for testing, and should be removed before moving into a production environment.

Remove test database and access to it? (Press y|Y for Yes, any other key for No): No

... skipping.

Reloading the privilege tables will ensure that all changes made so far will take effect immediately.

Reload privilege tables now? (Press y|Y for Yes, any other key for No): Y Success.

All done!
```

Verify login details to ensure all details were inputted correctly and exiting MySQL

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo mysql -p
Enter password:
Welcome to the MySQL monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MySQL connection id is 11
Server version: 8.0.33-0ubuntu0.22.04.2 (Ubuntu)
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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.
mysql> exit
Bye
```

MySQL server was correctly installed and secured.

Next, we proceed to the PHP installation which is the final component of the LAMP STACK

PHP INSTALLATION

PHP is the component that would process the codes to display dynamic content to the end user. Hence, we would need to install 3 packages namely:

1)PHP package 2) libapache2-mod-php 3) php-mysql.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo apt install php libapache2-mod-php php-mysql
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
```

Installation continues.

After installing, we check the PHP version.

```
UDUNTUMIP-1/2-31-91-102:~> pnp -V
PHP 8.1.2-1ubuntu2.11 (cli) (built: Feb 22 2023 22:56:18) (NTS)
Copyright (c) The PHP Group
Zend Engine v4.1.2, Copyright (c) Zend Technologies
with Zend OPcache v8.1.2-1ubuntu2.11, Copyright (c), by Zend Technologies
```

At this point the LAMP STACK implementation is completed and fully operational

We need to test our set up with a PHP script and this needs a proper APACHE virtual host to keep your website files and folder .Multiple website can be hosted on a single machine and the users would not notice

CREATING AN APACHE VIRTUAL HOST FOR OUR WEBSITE TO USE.

Next step, making a directory for the site directory, running below

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo mkdir /var/www/projectlamp
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo chown -R $USER:$USER /var/www/projectlamp
```

Then proceed to edit a new site directory to input the virtual host information.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo vi /etc/apache2/sites-available/projectlamp.conf ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ ■
```

Put the edited file in an insert mode by typing "i" without quotes and add the config files, press ESC ,save and exit with ":wq" command

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
    ServerName projectlamp
    ServerAlias www.projectlamp
    ServerAdmin webmaster@localhost
    DocumentRoot /var/www/projectlamp
    ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/error.log
    CustomLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/access.log combined
<//virtualHosts
~</pre>
```

Next check the content of the sites-available directory and you would see 3 configurations files on here .

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo ls /etc/apache2/sites-available
@900-default.conf default-ssl.conf projectlamp.conf
```

With this configuration files, we would need to **DISABLE** the 000-default config file and **ENABLE** the new directory we created using the following command

```
upuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo a2ensite projectlamp
Enabling site projectlamp.
To activate the new configuration, you need to run:
   systemctl reload apache2
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo a2dissite 000-default
Site 000-default disabled.
To activate the new configuration, you need to run:
   systemctl reload apache2
```

After enabling and disabling done successfully, we would verify that there are no syntax errors with the command below

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo apache2ctl configtest
Syntax OK
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ [
```

Then we proceed by reloading the Apache server to make these changes take effects.

The new website is now active but the projectlamp has empty file .We create an index.html file in that location so that we can test our virtual host is performing as expected .

```
-s http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/public-hostname) 'with public IP' $(curl -s http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/public-ipv4) > /var/www/projectlamp/index.html
```

Proceed to the browser and open the previous website using the ip address



Hello LAMP from hostname ec2-34-201-134-152.compute-1.amazonaws.com with public IP 34.201.134.152

Echo successfully displayed but this is just to test the website.

Type "clear" command to clear screen.

ENABLE PHP ON THE WEBSITE

We would need to set up an index.php file to replace the index.html file from the document root as it needs to override the default settings. This is a very useful maintenance page in PHP application

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo vim /etc/apache2/mods-enabled/dir.conf
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ []
```

Files are edited correctly while index.php and index.html are in that order respectively.

Edited successfully and the Apache needs to be reloaded again by the command below.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ sudo systemctl reload apache2
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$
```

Finally we would create the PHP script to test that PHP is correctly installed and configured on the server .The importance is to be able to handle and process request for PHP files with the command below

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ □
ubuntu@ip-172-31-91-102:~$ □
```

Put the edited file in an insert mode by typing "i" without quotes and add the valid PHP code files, press ESC ,save and exit with ":wq" command

```
<?php
phpinfo();</pre>
```

Refresh the web page and you would see the web page server in a PHP perspective.



This is the minimum requirement to set up an AWS instance with LINUX ,APACHE,MYSQL AND PHP for a web project.

Please note: Remember to terminate your EC2 instance.