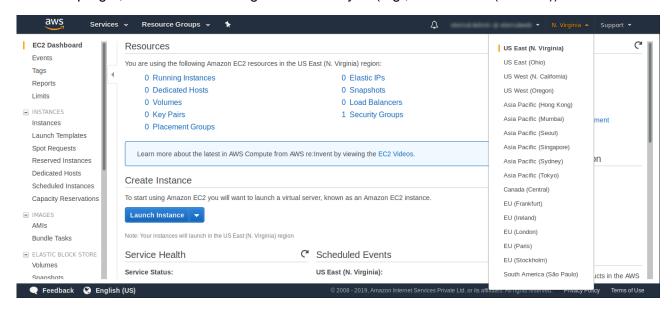
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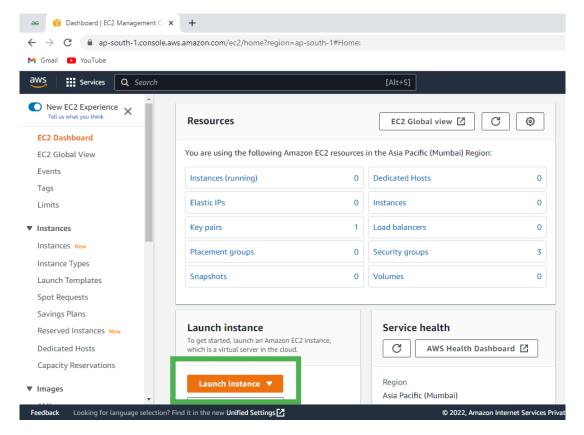
1. Log in & Choose a Region

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console (https://aws.amazon.com/console/).
- 2. On the top-right, select the AWS Region closest to you (e.g., Asia Pacific (Mumbai)).



2. Navigate to EC2

- 3. From the Services menu or search bar, choose EC2 under the Compute section.
- 4. In the EC2 Dashboard, click Launch instance.



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3. Configure Instance Basics

- 5. Assign a Name tag to your instance (e.g., MyFirstEC2).
- 6. Select an Amazon Machine Image (AMI) e.g., Amazon Linux 2 or Ubuntu Server.
- 7. Pick an Instance type, such as t2.micro for Free Tier usage.

4. Key Pair & Networking

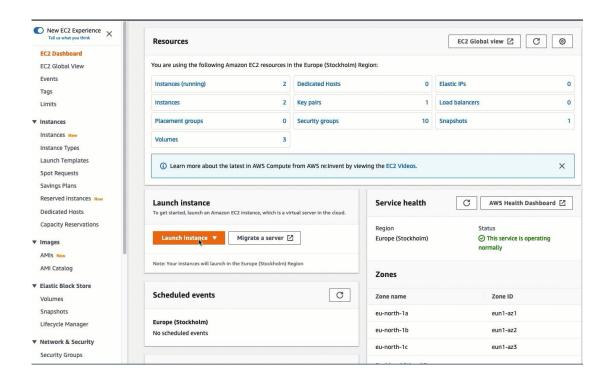
- 8. Create or choose a key pair for SSH access (download a .pem file).
- 9. Use default settings for VPC/subnet, or customize.
- 10. Configure or use an existing Security Group. Open port 22 for SSH access.

5. Storage & Tags

- 11. Adjust Storage settings (default is 8 GB gp2 EBS).
- 12. Optionally add Tags (e.g., Environment=Dev).

6. Launch & Verify

- 13. Click Launch instance.
- 14. Confirm instance creation and view Instance ID.
- 15. In Instances view, confirm the status shows running.



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7. Connect to Your Instance

- 16. Select your instance and click Connect.
- 17. Choose EC2 Instance Connect or SSH with your .pem key.