

Three-Tier Architecture

Building a Three-Tier Architecture on AWS with Deploying Application

Achieving High Scalability, High Availability, and Fault Tolerance

➤ Prerequisites

- AWS Account
- Basic knowledge of Linux

➤ List of AWS services

- Amazon Route 53
- Amazon EC2
- Amazon Auto scaling
- Amazon Certificate Manager
- Amazon RDS
- Amazon VPC
- Amazon Cloud Watch

Plan of Execution

- What is three-tier architecture
- The architecture of the project
- A step-by-step guide with screenshots
- Testing
- Resource cleanup

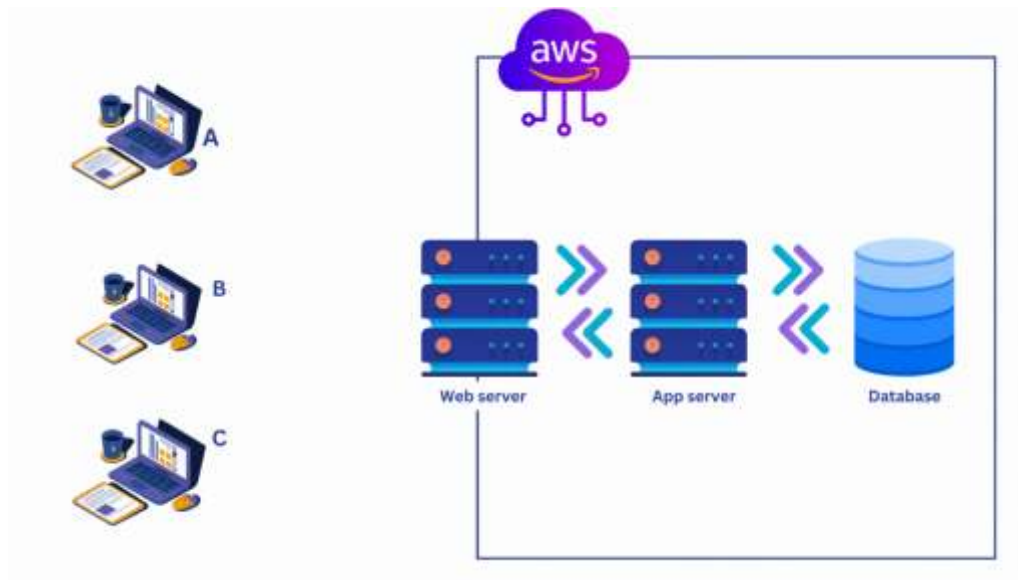
What is Three-tier architecture?

Three-tier architecture is a software architecture pattern that separates an application into three layers.

Presentation layer ➡ handles user interaction

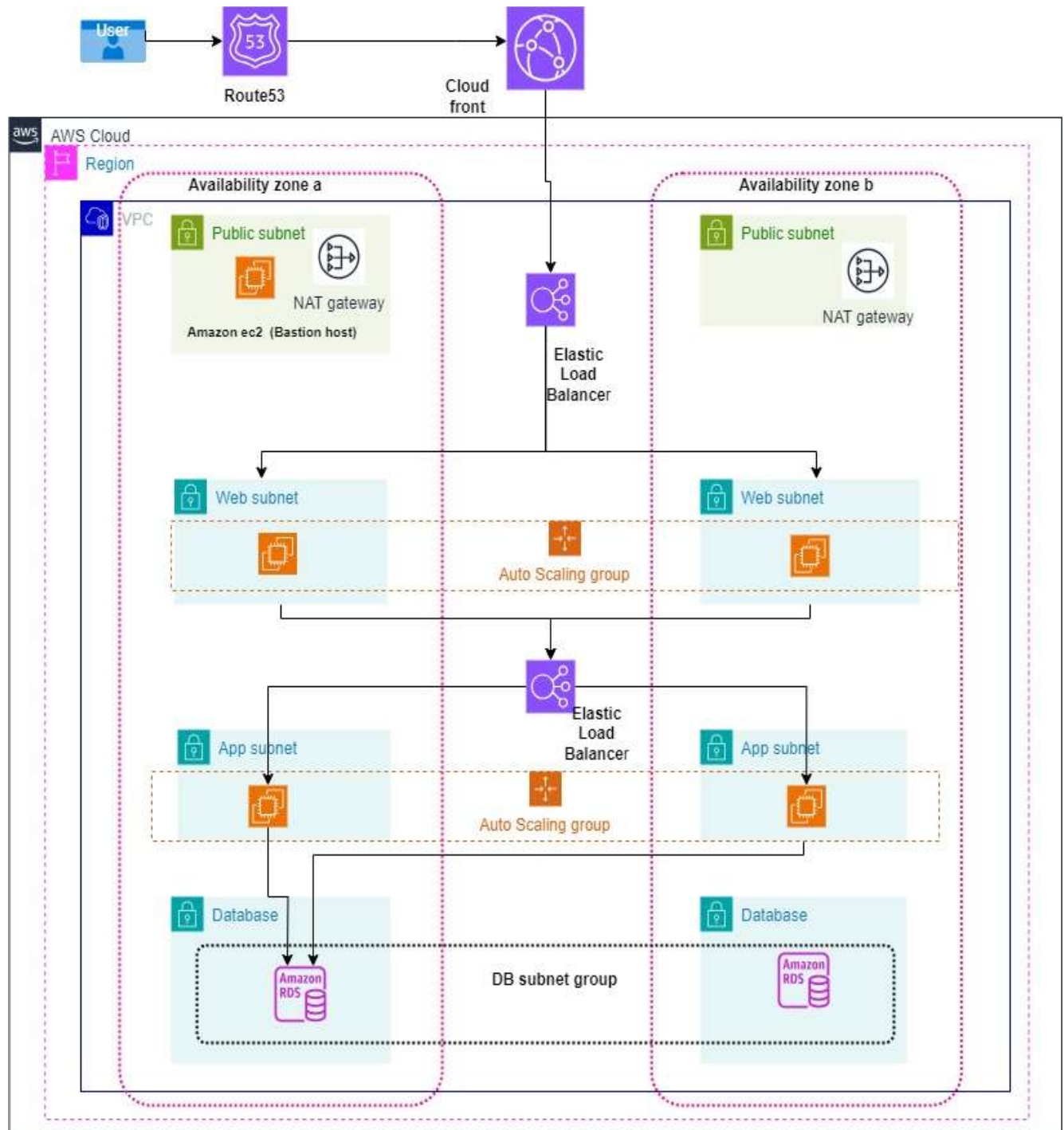
Application layer (backend logic) ➡ processes business logic and data processing

Data layer (database) ➡ manages data storage and retrieval



Each layer has distinct responsibilities, allowing for modularity, scalability, and maintainability. This architecture promotes the separation of concerns and facilitates easy updates or modifications to specific layers without impacting others.

Architecture of the Project



Architecture

The image describes three-tier architecture on AWS, which is commonly used to build highly available and scalable web applications.

1. Route 53 (DNS Service)

- **User Requests:** A user initiates a request, which is routed through AWS Route 53, a DNS service that translates domain names to IP addresses.
- **Load Balancing:** Route 53 directs the traffic to an Elastic Load Balancer (ELB) in the appropriate region.

2. CloudFront Distribution:

- CloudFront will cache the static content (images, CSS, JavaScript, etc.) and provide faster access to users from the edge locations around the world.
- CloudFront receives the user's request before passing it to the ELB.
- The CloudFront distribution is connected to the ELB for dynamic content delivery from the web and app servers.

3. Elastic Load Balancer (ELB)

- **Traffic Distribution:** The ELB distributes incoming application traffic across multiple targets, such as EC2 instances in different Availability Zones (AZs), ensuring high availability and fault tolerance.
- **Scaling:** ELBs also work with Auto Scaling groups to dynamically adjust the number of EC2 instances based on traffic demand.

4. VPC (Virtual Private Cloud)

- **Network Segmentation:** The architecture is hosted within a VPC, providing network isolation and segmentation. The VPC spans multiple Availability Zones for high availability.

5. Public Subnets

- **NAT Gateway and Bastion Host:** Each Availability Zone has a public subnet containing a NAT Gateway and possibly a Bastion Host (Amazon EC2 instance). The NAT Gateway allows instances in private subnets to connect to the internet for updates or other external communications without exposing them to inbound internet traffic.

6. Web Tier (Web Subnets)

- **Web Servers:** The web subnet in each Availability Zone hosts EC2 instances (web servers) running the front-end application. These instances are part of an Auto Scaling group that adjusts the number of servers based on demand.
- **ELB Connection:** The Elastic Load Balancer routes incoming traffic to these web servers.

7. Application Tier (App Subnets)

- **App Servers:** The app subnets contain EC2 instances that handle business logic and processing. Like the web tier, these instances are part of an Auto Scaling group for scalability.
- **Internal Load Balancing:** A second ELB could be used here to balance traffic among app servers.

8. Private Subnets

- **Database Tier (DB Subnet Group):** The private subnet houses Amazon RDS instances (Relational Database Service) within a DB Subnet Group. This ensures the database is only accessible from within the VPC, enhancing security.
- **Network Isolation:** Since this subnet is private, it does not have direct internet access, further protecting sensitive data.

9. Security

- **Subnets and Security Groups:** Each tier (web, app, and database) is in separate subnets with different security groups, ensuring proper access control. Web servers might only accept traffic from the internet, app servers from the web servers, and the database only from the app servers.

Workflow Overview

1. **User Request:** A user sends a request, which is routed through **Route 53**.
2. **CloudFront Caching:** CloudFront checks if the requested content is cached at an edge location.
 - If cached, the content is served directly from the edge location.
 - If not cached, CloudFront forwards the request to the **Elastic Load Balancer**.
3. **Load Balancing:** The ELB distributes the request to an available **web server** in the web subnet.

4. **Web Server Processing:** The web server processes the request or forwards it to the app server.
5. **App Server Logic:** The app server performs business logic, querying the **Amazon RDS database** if needed.
6. **Response Delivery:** The data flows back from the app server to the web server, through CloudFront, and then to the user.

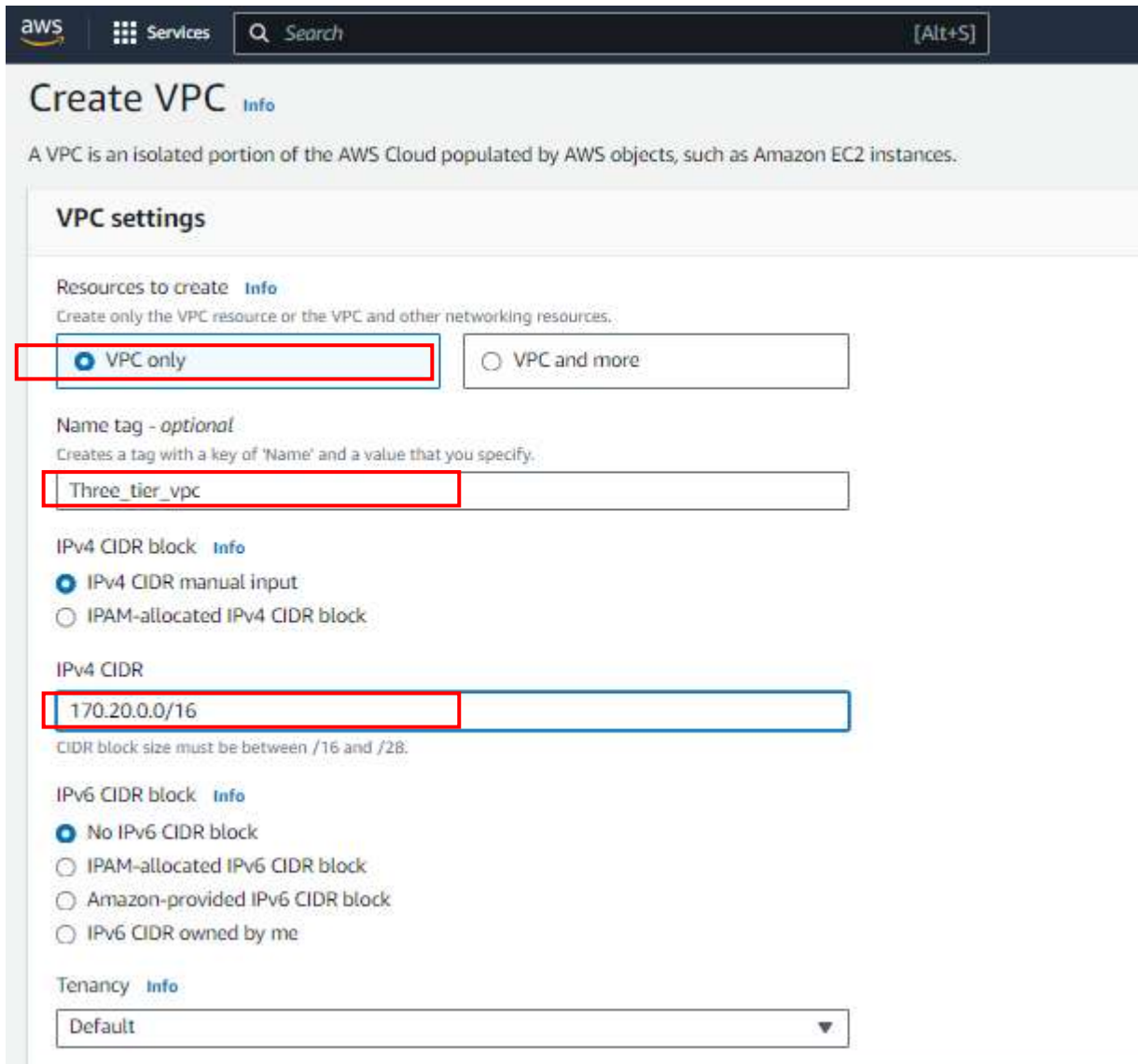
Creation of VPC, subnets, Routables, IGW, Natgateway

Setting up VPC in us-east-1 region to isolate our resources from the internet. The below image contained all the subnets, their IP range, and their uses.

VPC				
170.20.0.0/16				
Availability Zones	us-east-1a		us-east-1b	
uses	name of subnet	subnet ip range	name of subnet	subnet ip range
ALB frontend ALB backend	Public subnet 1a	170.20.1.0/24	Public subnet 2b	170.20.2.0/24
Web servers	Private subnet 3a	170.20.3.0/24	Private subnet 4b	170.20.4.0/24
App servers	Private subnet 5a	170.20.5.0/24	Private subnet 6b	170.20.6.0/24
Databases	Private subnet 7a	170.20.7.0/24	Private subnet 8b	170.20.8.0/24

VPC:

1. Please log in to your AWS Account and type VPC in the AWS console. And click on VPC service.
2. Click on Your VPC's button on the left and then click on Create VPC the button on the top right corner of the page
3. Here we can see the form where we can fill the configuration of VPC. Please enter the name that you want to keep and the IPV4 CIDR block. in my case CIDE block is 170.20.0.0/16.



aws Services Search [Alt+S]

Create VPC Info

A VPC is an isolated portion of the AWS Cloud populated by AWS objects, such as Amazon EC2 instances.

VPC settings

Resources to create Info
Create only the VPC resource or the VPC and other networking resources.

☒ VPC only ☐ VPC and more

Name tag - *optional*
Creates a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

Three_tier_vpc

IPv4 CIDR block Info
☒ IPv4 CIDR manual input
☐ IPAM-allocated IPv4 CIDR block

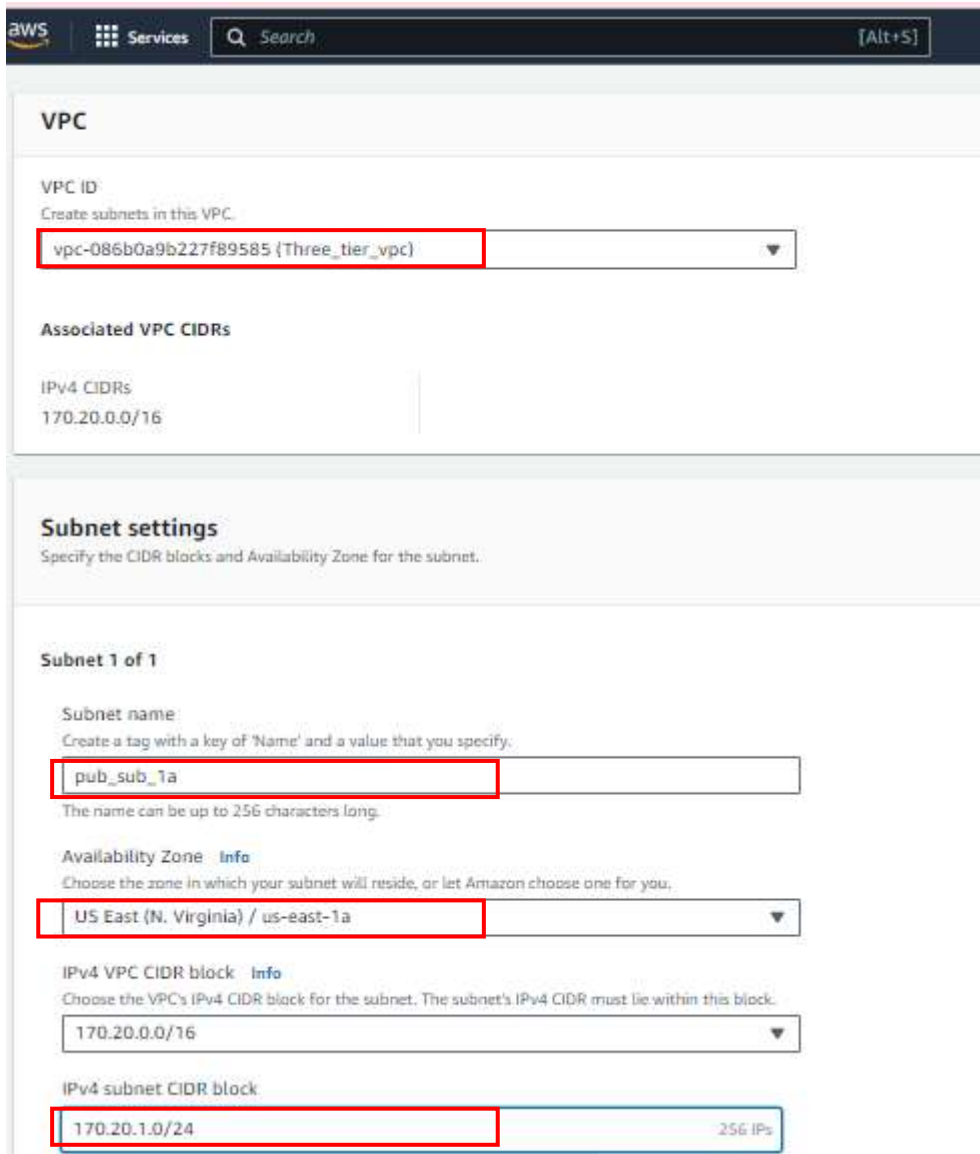
IPv4 CIDR
170.20.0.0/16
CIDR block size must be between /16 and /28.

IPv6 CIDR block Info
☒ No IPv6 CIDR block
☐ IPAM-allocated IPv6 CIDR block
☐ Amazon-provided IPv6 CIDR block
☐ IPv6 CIDR owned by me

Tenancy Info
Default

Subnets:

1. Now click on the subnet button which is located on the left side and then click on the Create subnet button on the top right corner of the page.
2. Please remove the default VPC ID and choose the VPC ID that we have just created in the VPC ID field. And click on the Add Subnet button at the bottom.
3. Now we need to configure our subnets. We are going to create a total of 8 subnets of which 2 of them are public and the rest of 6 subnets are private. After adding all the subnets click on Create subnet button.



The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for creating a subnet. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, 'Services', a search bar, and a keyboard shortcut '[Alt+S]'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'VPC' and 'Subnet settings'.

VPC Section:

- VPC ID:** A dropdown menu is shown with the selected value 'vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 (Three_tier_vpc)'. The dropdown is highlighted with a red box.
- Associated VPC CIDRs:** A section for IPv4 CIDRs showing '170.20.0.0/16'.

Subnet settings Section:

Specify the CIDR blocks and Availability Zone for the subnet.

Subnet 1 of 1

- Subnet name:** A text input field contains 'pub_sub_1a', which is highlighted with a red box. Below the field, it says 'Create a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.' and 'The name can be up to 256 characters long.'
- Availability Zone:** A dropdown menu is shown with the selected value 'US East (N. Virginia) / us-east-1a', highlighted with a red box. An 'Info' link is next to the label.
- IPv4 VPC CIDR block:** A dropdown menu is shown with the selected value '170.20.0.0/16', highlighted with a red box. An 'Info' link is next to the label.
- IPv4 subnet CIDR block:** A text input field contains '170.20.1.0/24', highlighted with a red box. To the right of the field, it says '256 IPs'.

Subnet 1 of 1

Subnet name
Create a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

pub_sub_1a

The name can be up to 256 characters long.

Availability Zone [Info](#)
Choose the zone in which your subnet will reside, or let Amazon choose one for you.

US East (N. Virginia) / us-east-1a

IPv4 VPC CIDR block [Info](#)
Choose the VPC's IPv4 CIDR block for the subnet. The subnet's IPv4 CIDR must lie within this block.

170.20.0.0/16

IPv4 subnet CIDR block

170.20.1.0/24 256 IPs

Tags - optional

Key Value - optional

Q Name X Q pub_sub_1a X Remove

Add new tag

You can add 49 more tags.

Remove

Add new subnet

Cancel Create subnet

After the successful creation of all 8 subnets, they look like this. you can verify with my subnets.

You have successfully created 8 subnets: subnet-09d61ac1366d673cb, subnet-08c2ef0947644f6a, subnet-0756a1929e3aca659, subnet-03ca96c941cedcd6, subnet-00d5e7d7ac1001f14, subnet-0a9121152d1160281, subnet-07cf6a76f0accd194, subnet-04c5f087b8fb06a24

Subnets (14) [Info](#) Last updated 1 minute ago [Actions](#) [Create subnet](#)

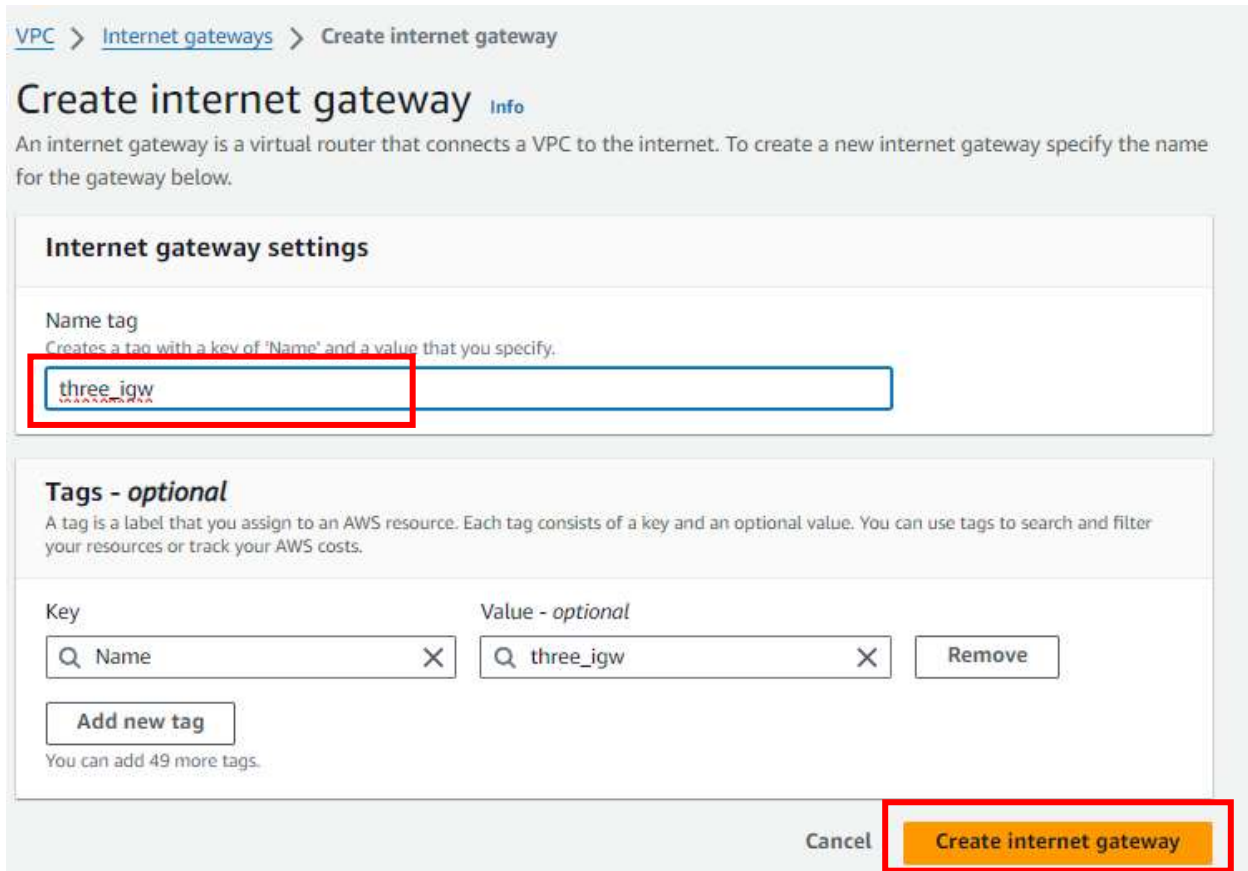
Find resources by attribute or tag

	Name	Subnet ID	State	VPC	IPv4 CIDR	IPv6	Available IP
<input type="checkbox"/>	pub_sub_1a	subnet-09d61ac1366d673cb	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.1.0/24	-	251
<input type="checkbox"/>	pub_sub_2b	subnet-08c2ef0947644f6a	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.2.0/24	-	251
<input type="checkbox"/>	priv_sub_3a	subnet-0756a1929e3aca659	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.3.0/24	-	251
<input type="checkbox"/>	priv_sub_4b	subnet-03ca96c941cedcd6	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.4.0/24	-	251
<input type="checkbox"/>	priv_sub_5a	subnet-00d5e7d7ac1001f14	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.5.0/24	-	251
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<input type="checkbox"/>	priv_sub_8b	subnet-04c5f087b8fb06a24	Available	vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 Three_tier_vpc	170.20.8.0/24	-	251

Internet Gateway:

Now we are going to create Internet Gateway also known as **IGW**. It is responsible for communication between VPC, VPC's public subnet with the Internet. Without IGW we won't be able to communicate with the Internet. Click on the internet gateways button at the left panel. and then click on the Create Internet gateways button on the top right corner of the page.

Give any name to IGW. And click on Create Internet gateway button.



VPC > Internet gateways > Create internet gateway

Create internet gateway Info

An internet gateway is a virtual router that connects a VPC to the internet. To create a new internet gateway specify the name for the gateway below.

Internet gateway settings

Name tag
Creates a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

three_igw

Tags - optional

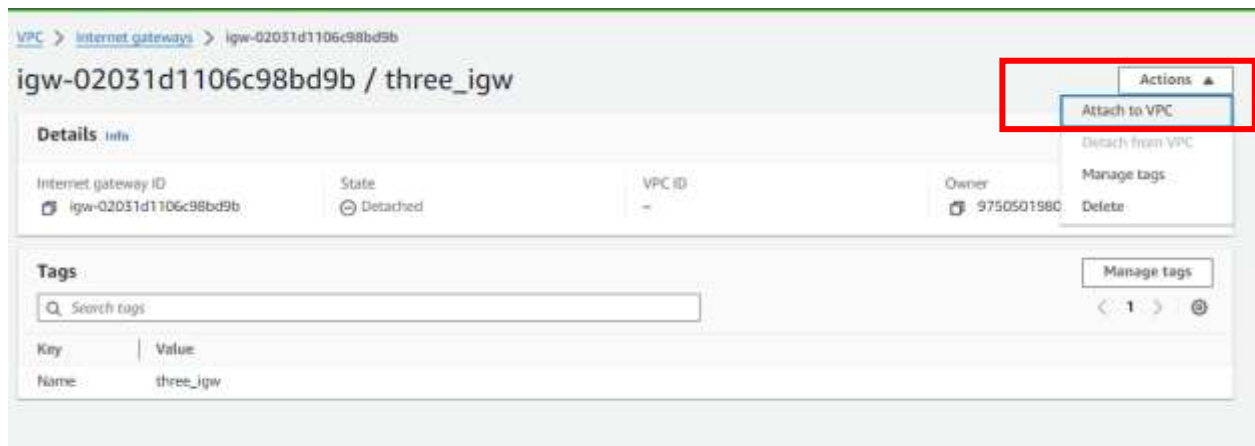
A tag is a label that you assign to an AWS resource. Each tag consists of a key and an optional value. You can use tags to search and filter your resources or track your AWS costs.

Key	Value - optional	
Name	three_igw	Remove

[Add new tag](#)
You can add 49 more tags.

[Cancel](#) [Create internet gateway](#)

After creating an internet gateway we need to attach it with VPC to use it. For that click on the Action button. Here you can see the drop-down list. Please select the option Attach to VPC.



Please select VPC that we have created just now from the Available VPC list. And then click on the Attach Internet gateway button.



NAT gateway

NAT gateway is responsible to connect resources that are in the private subnet to communicate with the internet. All the resources which will be there in a private subnet will communicate to the internet through the NAT gateway. We will keep the NAT gateway in the public subnet so that it can access the internet. NAT gateway is a chargeable resource. So you will be charged by AWS as long as you keep it up. Now to create a NAT gateway click on the NAT gateways button on the left panel of the web page. and then click on the Create NAT gateways button in the top right corner of the page.

Give any name to the NAT gateway. But be cautious with selecting a subnet. **You have to select one of the Public subnets among the two. either pub-sub-1a or pub-sub-2b.** Then click on the Allocate Elastic IP button to allocate Elastic IP. And then click on the Create NAT gateways button. NAT gateways creation takes 2-4 minutes.

NAT gateway settings

Name - optional
Create a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

three_tier_NATGW

The name can be up to 256 characters long.

Subnet
Select a subnet in which to create the NAT gateway.

subnet-08c2efd0947644f6a (pub_sub_2b)

Connectivity type
Select a connectivity type for the NAT gateway.

☒ Public
☐ Private

Elastic IP allocation ID [Info](#)
Assign an Elastic IP address to the NAT gateway.

eipalloc-023f30898308e7698

Allocate Elastic IP

► **Additional settings** [Info](#)

Tags

A tag is a label that you assign to an AWS resource. Each tag consists of a key and an optional value. You can use tags to search and filter your resources or track your AWS costs.

Key	Value - optional	
Name	three_tier_NATGW	Remove

[Add new tag](#)

You can add 49 more tags.

Cancel

Create NAT gateway

Route table:

A Route Table to handle traffic for public subnet and private subnet and for that, we need to create a Route table. We are going to create two route tables one for the public subnet and another one for the private subnet. First, we are going to create RT for the public subnet. So click on the Route table button which you can see on the left panel. and click on the Create Route table button on the top corner of the page.

Give a name to your RT such as Pub-RT. Please give a name that is appropriate for resources then it will be easy to organize the things. Make sure you select the correct VPC. And then click on the create route table.

VPC > Route tables > Create route table

Create route table Info

A route table specifies how packets are forwarded between the subnets within your VPC, the internet, and your VPN connection.

Route table settings

Name - optional
Create a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

PUB_RT

VPC
The VPC to use for this route table.

vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 (Three_tier_vpc)

Tags

A tag is a label that you assign to an AWS resource. Each tag consists of a key and an optional value. You can use tags to search and filter your resources or track your AWS costs.

Key	Value - optional	
Name	PUB_RT	Remove

Add new tag

You can add 49 more tags.

Cancel **Create route table**

Create RT for the private subnet.

VPC > Route tables > Create route table

Create route table Info

A route table specifies how packets are forwarded between the subnets within your VPC, the internet, and your VPN connection.

Route table settings

Name - optional
Create a tag with a key of 'Name' and a value that you specify.

PRIVT_RT

VPC
The VPC to use for this route table.

vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 (Three_tier_vpc)

Tags

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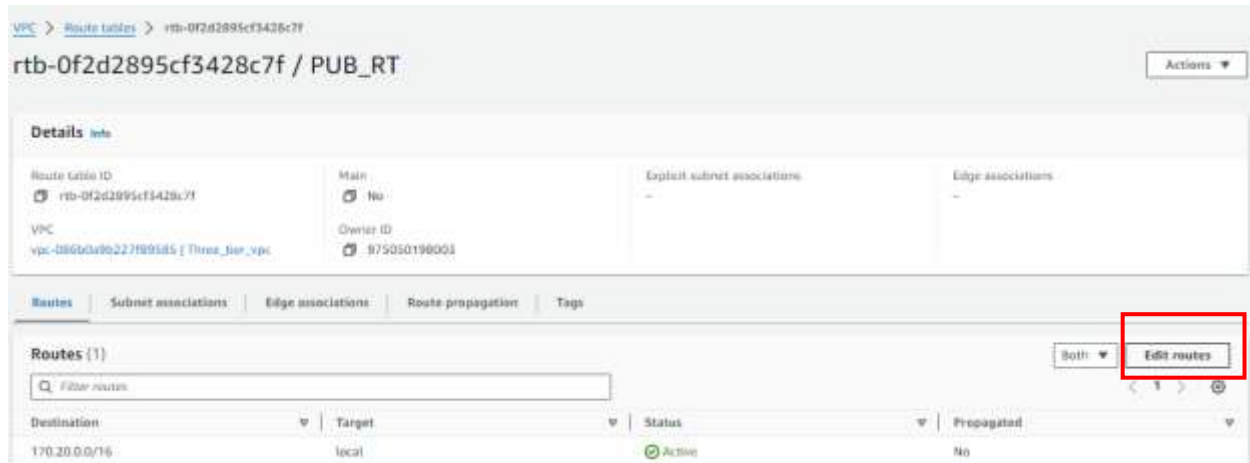
Key	Value - optional	
Name	PRIVT_RT	Remove

Add new tag

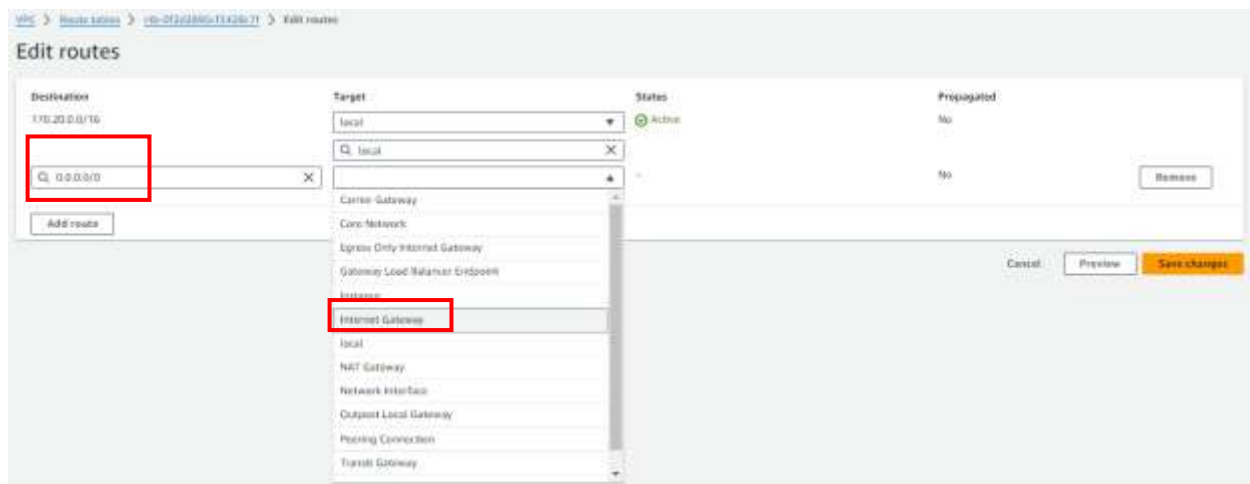
You can add 49 more tags.

Cancel **Create route table**

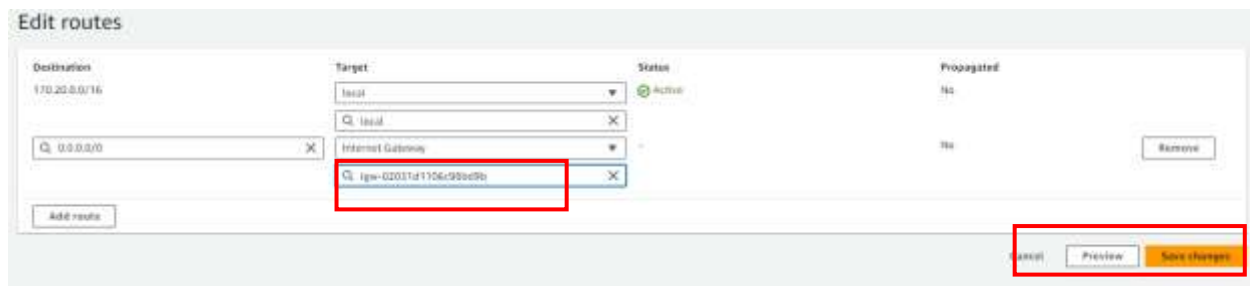
Now, we need to do some association with both RTs so select **Pub-RT** and click on the Routes tab at the bottom and then click on the edit route button.



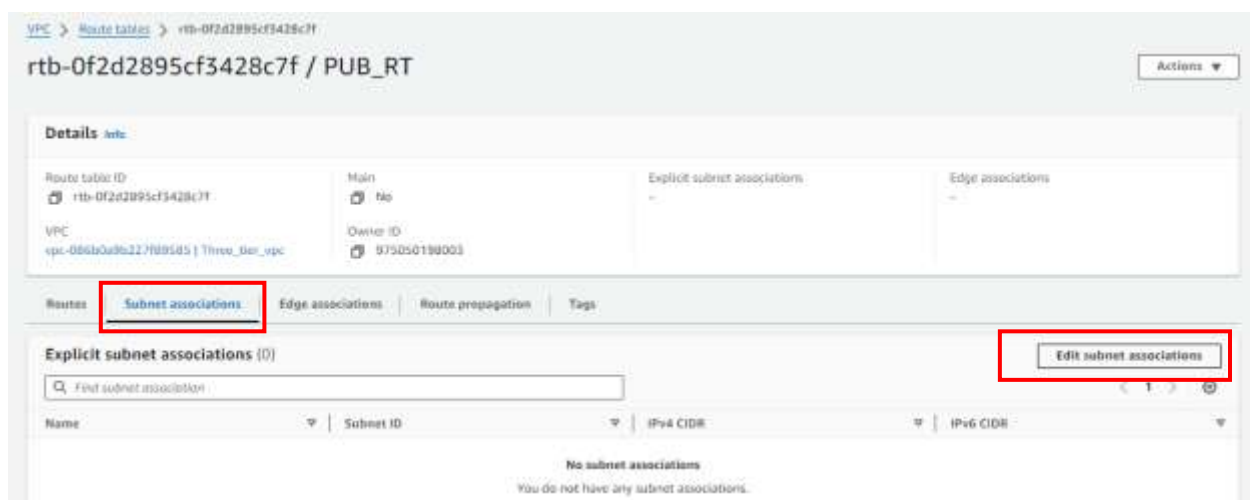
Click on the Add Route button. And select 0.0.0.0/0 in the destination field. And then click on the Target field. As soon as you click on the Target field one drop-down will open and here you have to select Internet gateway, shown in the below image.



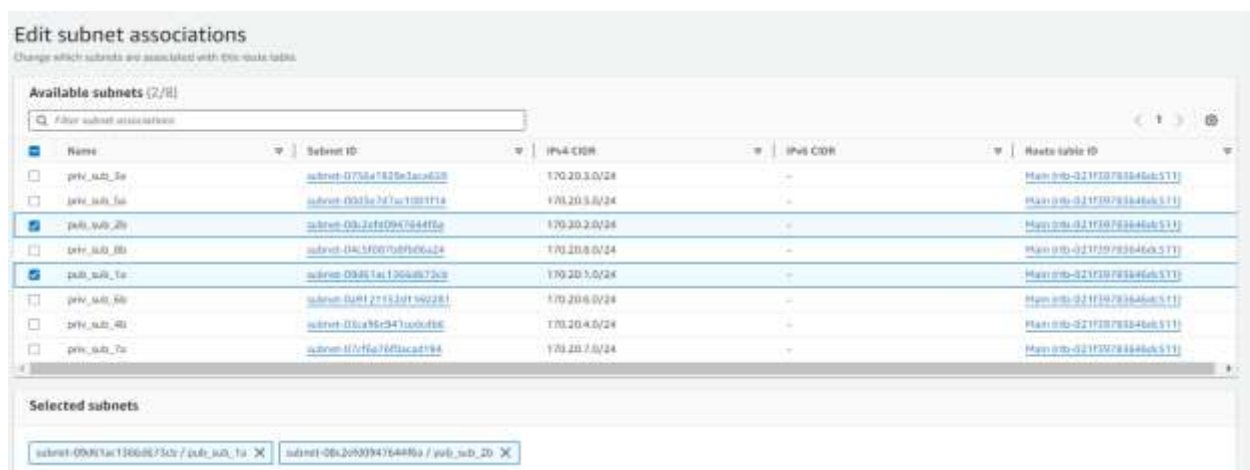
Here you can see the IGW that we created earlier. Select that IGW and click the save changes button.



Keep Pub-RT selected and click on the Subnet associations tab next to the Routes tab. and then click on the Edit subnet associations.



Now select both public subnets. **pub-sub-1a** and **pub-sub-2b** and click on the save associations button.

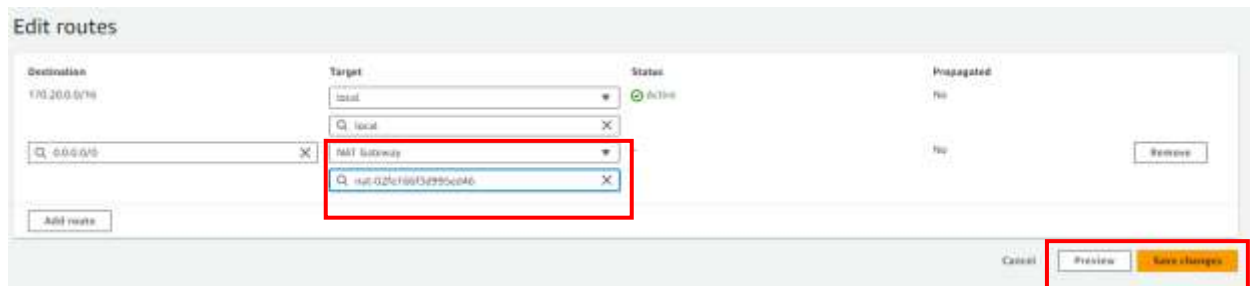


Now please select Pri-RT and click on the Routes tab at the bottom of the page.

Here please select 0.0.0.0/0 in the destination field and click on the target. As soon as you click on the target you will see the drop-down list.

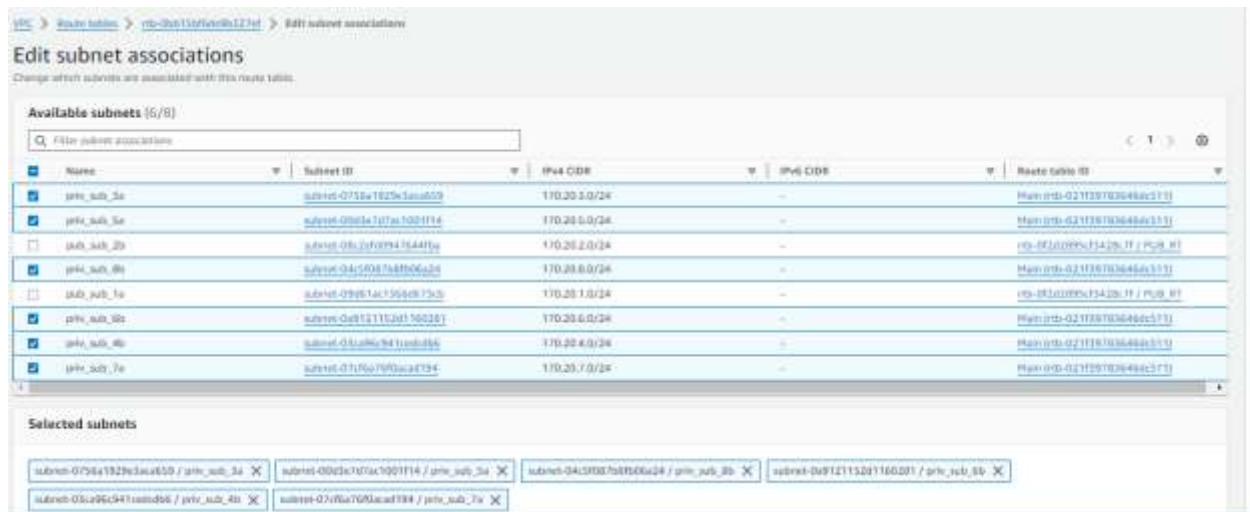
Please select NAT gateway from the drop-down list. As shown in the below image.

Select the NAT gateway that we have just created. And click on the save changes button.



Keep Pri-RT selected and click on the subnet associations tab at the bottom next to the Routes tab. And then click on the Edit route association's button.

Select all the 6 private subnets. And then click on the save association button.

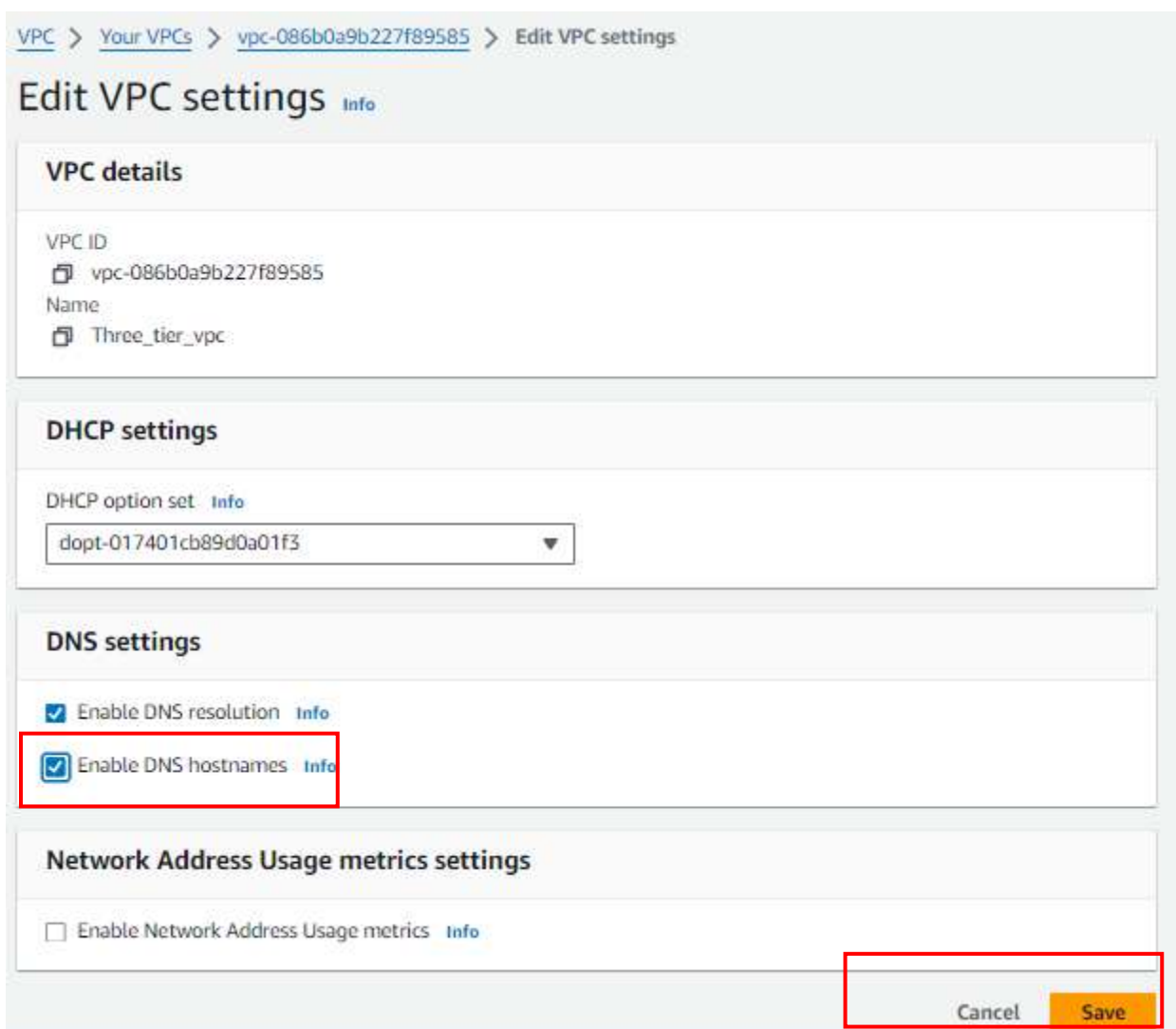


Change the settings of VPC and two public subnets. So just click on the VPC button on the left panel and select VPC that we have created and click on the action button and there you will see

the drop-down menu. Select the Edit VPC setting button.



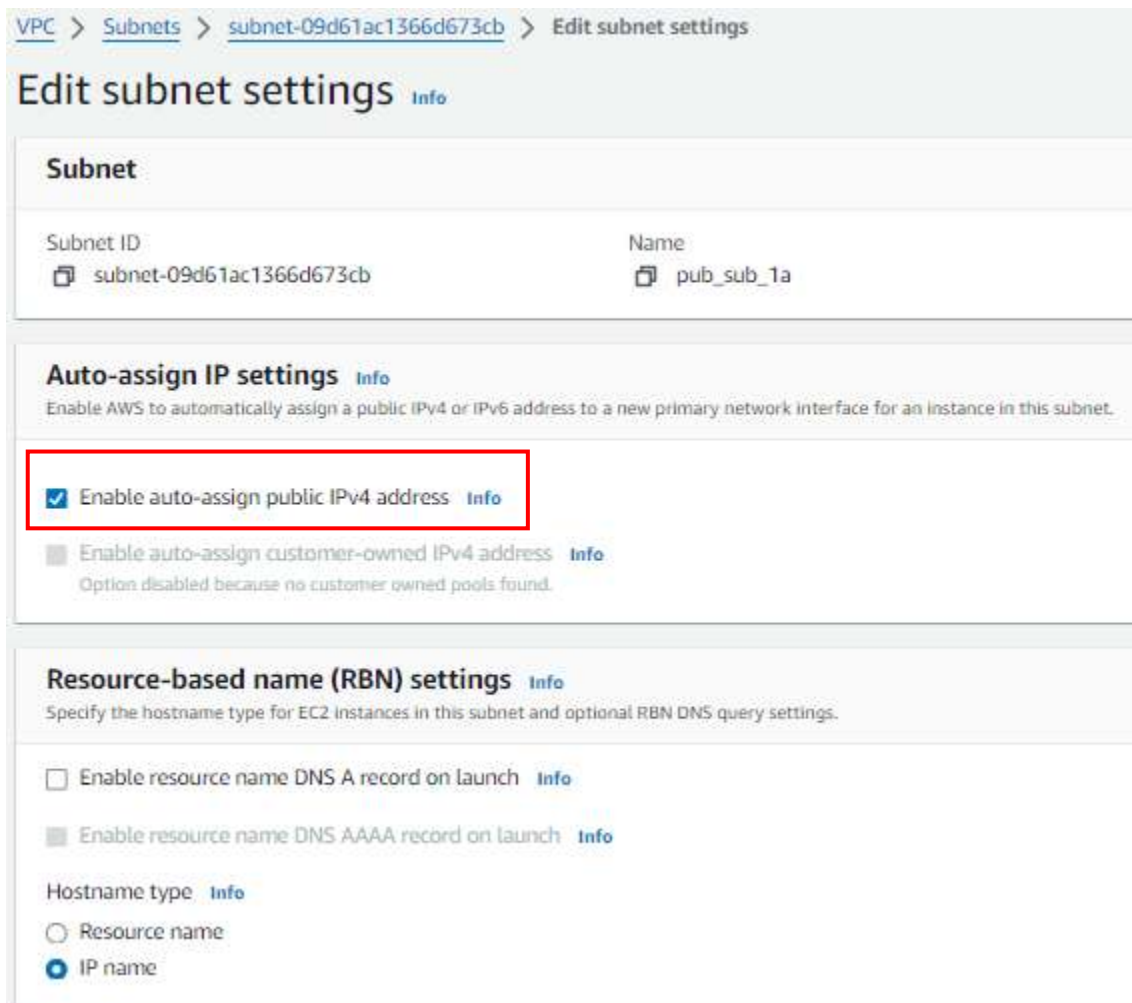
And here please **Enable DNS hostname** checkbox by clicking on it and then click on the Save button



Please go to the subnet page and select the public subnet and click on the action button and then choose the Edit subnet setting button from the drop-down list.



Here you have to mark right on **Enable public assign public IPV4 address**. And then click on the save button

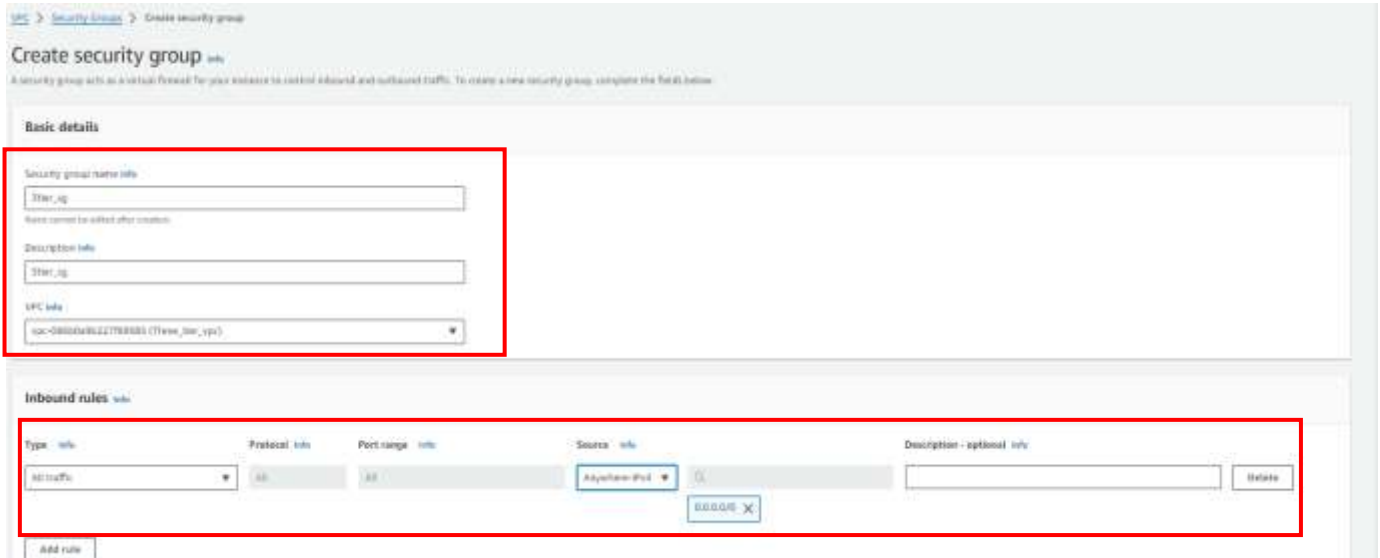


Same for pub_sub_2b, **Enable public assign public IPV4 address**.

Security Groups (SG):

Security groups are very essential part of the infrastructure. Because it can secure the resources in the cloud. SGs are a kind of firewall that allow or block incoming and outgoing traffic. SGs are applied to the resources like ALB, ec2, rds, etc. One resource can have more than one SG.

To create SG, click on the security groups tab on the left panel and here you will see the Security Groups button. Note that SGs are specific with VPC. So we can't use SG which is created in a different VPC. So when you create SG please make sure that you choose the right VPC. Click on the create security button on the top right corner.

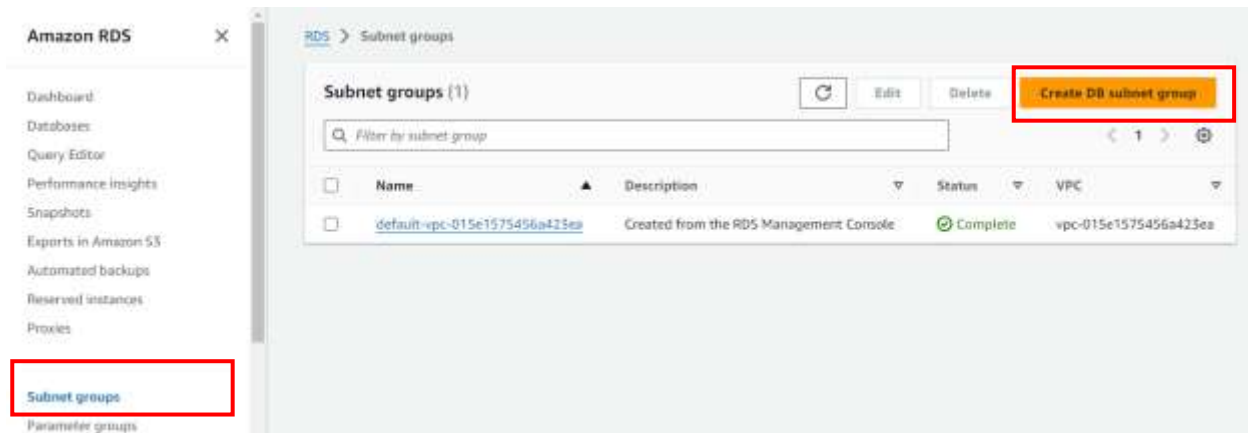


And here our SG setups are complete now.

RDS and Route 53:

Now we are going to set up a database for our application. And for that, we are going to utilize the RDS service of AWS. So let's head over to the RDS dashboard. Just search RDS in the AWS console. And click on the service.

Now first we need to set up a subnet group. It specifies in which subnet and Availability zone our database instance will be created. So click on the subnet group button on the left panel. And click on the button Create database subnet group which is in the middle of the web page.



Here we can configure our VPC, subnet, and availability zone.

Give any name to your subnet but make sure you select the correct VPC.

And select Azs **us-east-1a** and **us-east-2b**.

According to the architecture that I have shown you, our database will be in private subnet **pri-sub-7a** and **pri-sub-8b**.

So please select as I have shown in the below figure. And then click on the create button.

Subnet group details

Name
You won't be able to modify the name after your subnet group has been created.

3tier_subnet_group

Must contain from 1 to 255 characters. Alphanumeric characters, spaces, hyphens, underscores, and periods are allowed.

Description

3tier_subnet_group

VPC
Choose a VPC identifier that corresponds to the subnets you want to use for your DB subnet group. You won't be able to choose a different VPC identifier after your subnet group has been created.

Three_tier_vpc (vpc-086b0a9b227f89585)

Add subnets

Availability Zones
Choose the Availability Zones that include the subnets you want to add.

Choose an availability zone

us-east-1a X us-east-1b X

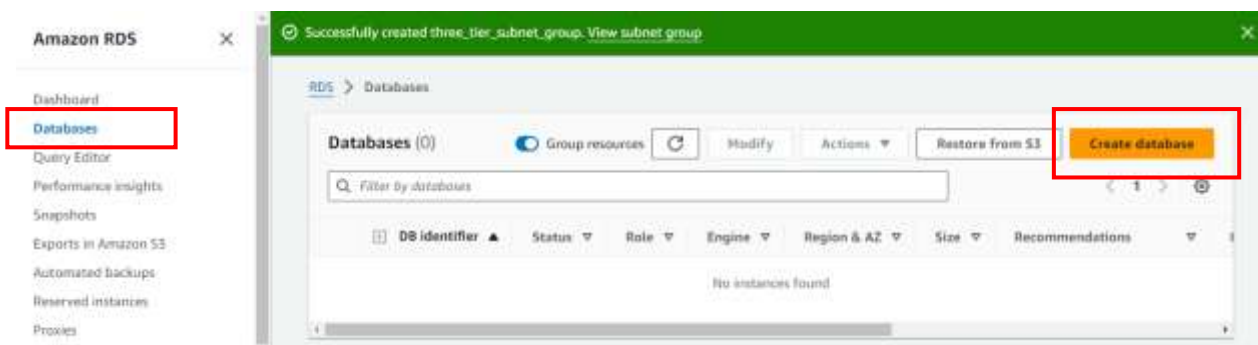
Subnets
Choose the subnets that you want to add. The list includes the subnets in the selected Availability Zones.

Select subnets

subnet-07cf6a76f0acad194 (170.20.7.0/24) X

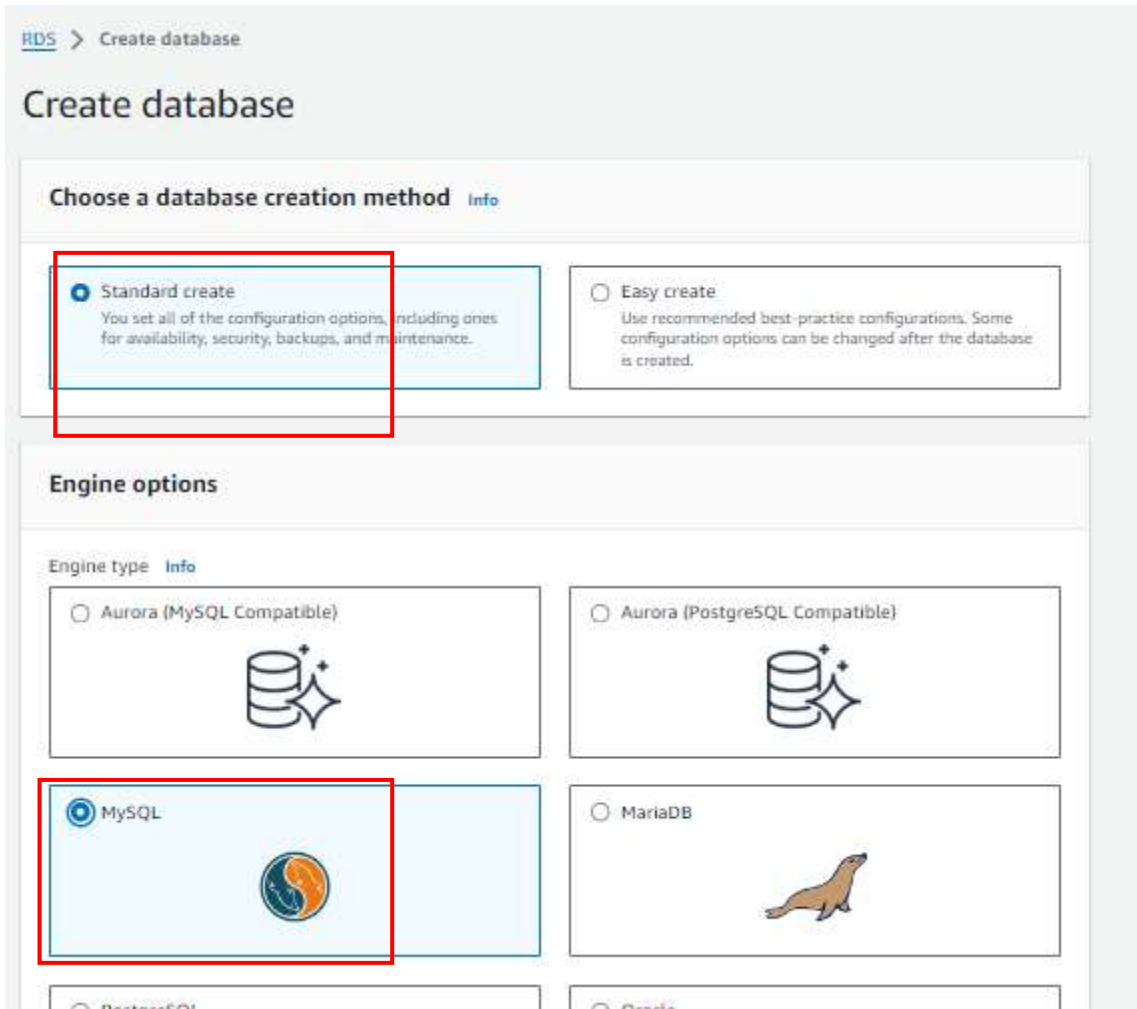
subnet-04c5f087b8fb06a24 (170.20.8.0/24) X

Create a database. So click on the database button on the left panel and then click on the created database button.



On this page, we can configure our database. Select standard create. Select MySQL in the engine option because our application runs on MySQL database Furthermore, you can select the engine

version my application is compatible with MySQL version.



The screenshot shows the AWS RDS 'Create database' page. The 'Choose a database creation method' section has 'Standard create' selected. The 'Engine options' section shows 'MySQL' selected as the engine type, with its icon (a globe with a blue and orange swirl) highlighted by a red box. Other options like 'Aurora (MySQL Compatible)', 'Aurora (PostgreSQL Compatible)', 'MariaDB', and 'PostgreSQL' are visible but not selected.

Scroll down, and select Dev/test as template.

If you select the free tier then you won't be able to deploy RDS in a multi-availability zone.

Select Multi-AZ DB instance from availability and durability option.

In settings give any name to your database.

In the credential setting give the username of the database in the Master Username field and give the password in the Master password field. And then confirm the password below.

Please do remember your username and password.

Edition
☒ MySQL Community

Engine version [Info](#)
View the engine versions that support the following database features.

▼ Hide filters

☐ Show versions that support the Multi-AZ DB cluster [Info](#)
Create a Multi-AZ DB cluster with one primary DB instance and two readable standby DB instances. Multi-AZ DB clusters provide up to 2x faster transaction commit latency and automatic failover in typically under 35 seconds.

☐ Show versions that support the Amazon RDS Optimized Writes [Info](#)
Amazon RDS Optimized Writes improves write throughput by up to 2x at no additional cost.

Engine Version
MySQL 8.0.35 ▼

☐ Enable RDS Extended Support [Info](#)
Amazon RDS Extended Support is a paid offering [\[?\]](#). By selecting this option, you consent to being charged for this offering if you are running your database major version past the RDS end of standard support date for that version. Check the end of standard support date for your major version in the RDS for MySQL documentation [\[?\]](#).

Templates
Choose a sample template to meet your use case.

☐ Production
Use defaults for high availability and fast, consistent performance.

☒ Dev/Test
This instance is intended for development use outside of a production environment.

☐ Free tier
Use RDS Free Tier to develop new applications, test existing applications, or gain hands-on experience with Amazon RDS. [Info](#)

Availability and durability

Deployment options [Info](#)

The deployment options below are limited to those supported by the engine you selected above.

☐ Multi-AZ DB Cluster

Creates a DB cluster with a primary DB instance and two readable standby DB instances, with each DB instance in a different Availability Zone (AZ). Provides high availability, data redundancy and increases capacity to serve read workloads.

☒ Multi-AZ DB instance

Creates a primary DB instance and a standby DB instance in a different AZ. Provides high availability and data redundancy, but the standby DB instance doesn't support connections for read workloads.

☐ Single DB instance

Creates a single DB instance with no standby DB instances.

Settings

DB instance identifier [Info](#)

Type a name for your DB instance. The name must be unique across all DB instances owned by your AWS account in the current AWS Region.

database-1

The DB instance identifier is case-insensitive, but is stored as all lowercase (as in "mydbinstance"). Constraints: 1 to 60 alphanumeric characters or hyphens. First character must be a letter. Can't contain two consecutive hyphens. Can't end with a hyphen.

▼ Credentials Settings

Master username [Info](#)

Type a login ID for the master user of your DB instance.

admin

1 to 16 alphanumeric characters. The first character must be a letter.

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▼ Credentials Settings

Master username [Info](#)

Type a login ID for the master user of your DB instance.

admin

1 to 16 alphanumeric characters. The first character must be a letter.

Credentials management

You can use AWS Secrets Manager or manage your master user credentials.

☐ Managed in AWS Secrets Manager - most secure
RDS generates a password for you and manages it throughout its lifecycle using AWS Secrets Manager.

☒ Self managed
Create your own password or have RDS create a password that you manage.

☐ Auto generate password

Amazon RDS can generate a password for you, or you can specify your own password.

Master password [Info](#)

Password strength **Strong**

Minimum constraints: At least 8 printable ASCII characters. Can't contain any of the following symbols: / ' * @

Confirm master password [Info](#)

Again scroll down, select Brustable class in the instance setting and select the instance type. Actually, it depends on your application uses. But for learning purposes, I am selecting t3.micro. Now in storage type select General purpose (GP2) and allocate 22 GiB for database. Please uncheck the auto-scaling option to keep our costs low. And In the connectivity option please select the option according below screenshot.

DB instance class [Info](#)

▼ Hide filters

- ☒ Show instance classes that support Amazon RDS Optimized Writes [Info](#)
Amazon RDS Optimized Writes improves write throughput by up to 2x at no additional cost.
- ☐ Include previous generation classes
- ☐ Standard classes (includes m classes)
- ☐ Memory optimized classes (includes r and x classes)
- ☒ Burstable classes (includes t classes)

db.t3.micro
2 vCPUs 1 GiB RAM Network: 2,085 Mbps

Storage

Storage type [Info](#)

Provisioned IOPS SSD (io2) storage volumes are now available.

General Purpose SSD (gp2)
Baseline performance determined by volume size

Allocated storage [Info](#)

22 GiB


The minimum value is 20 GiB and the maximum value is 6,144 GiB

▼ Storage autoscaling

Storage autoscaling [Info](#)

Provides dynamic scaling support for your database's storage based on your application's needs.

☐ **Enable storage autoscaling**
Enabling this feature will allow the storage to increase after the specified threshold is exceeded.

Connectivity [Info](#) 

Compute resource
Choose whether to set up a connection to a compute resource for this database. Setting up a connection will automatically change connectivity settings so that the compute resource can connect to this database.


☒ **Don't connect to an EC2 compute resource**
Don't set up a connection to a compute resource for this database. You can manually set up a connection to a compute resource later.

☐ **Connect to an EC2 compute resource**
Set up a connection to an EC2 compute resource for this database.

Virtual private cloud (VPC) [Info](#)
Choose the VPC. The VPC defines the virtual networking environment for this DB instance.

Three_tier_vpc (vpc-086b0a9b227f89585)
8 Subnets, 2 Availability Zones

Only VPCs with a corresponding DB subnet group are listed.

 After a database is created, you can't change its VPC.

DB subnet group [Info](#)
Choose the DB subnet group. The DB subnet group defines which subnets and IP ranges the DB instance can use in the VPC that you selected.

three_tier_subnet_group
2 Subnets, 2 Availability Zones

In VPC, select VPC that we created earlier and in DB subnet group select the group that we just created, In the public access option please select No, choose existing security, and select security group **book-rds-db**.

Public access [Info](#)

☐ Yes

RDS assigns a public IP address to the database. Amazon EC2 instances and other resources outside of the VPC can connect to your database. Resources inside the VPC can also connect to the database. Choose one or more VPC security groups that specify which resources can connect to the database.

☒ No

RDS doesn't assign a public IP address to the database. Only Amazon EC2 instances and other resources inside the VPC can connect to your database. Choose one or more VPC security groups that specify which resources can connect to the database.

VPC security group (firewall) [Info](#)

Choose one or more VPC security groups to allow access to your database. Make sure that the security group rules allow the appropriate incoming traffic.

☒ Choose existing

Choose existing VPC security groups

☐ Create new

Create new VPC security group

Existing VPC security groups

Choose one or more options

default X

3tier_sg X

RDS Proxy

RDS Proxy is a fully managed, highly available database proxy that improves application scalability, resiliency, and security.

☐ Create an RDS Proxy [Info](#)

RDS automatically creates an IAM role and a Secrets Manager secret for the proxy. RDS Proxy has additional costs. For more information, see [Amazon RDS Proxy pricing](#).

Scroll down, click on Additional Configuration, and in the database option give the name **test** because we need a database with the name of the **test** in the application.

☒ Enable Enhanced Monitoring

Enabling Enhanced Monitoring metrics are useful when you want to see how different processes or threads use the CPU.

Granularity

60 seconds

Monitoring Role

default

Clicking "Create database" will authorize RDS to create the IAM role rds-monitoring-role.

▼ Additional configuration

Database options, encryption turned on, backup turned off, backtrack turned off, maintenance, CloudWatch Logs, delete protection turned off.

Database options

Initial database name [Info](#)

test

If you do not specify a database name, Amazon RDS does not create a database.

DB parameter group [Info](#)

default.mysql8.0

Option group [Info](#)

default:mysql-8-0

Backup

☐ Enable automated backups

Creates a point-in-time snapshot of your database.

Scroll down, mark on enable encryption checkbox to make the database bit more secure, and click on Create database button below.

Maintenance

Auto minor version upgrade [Info](#)

☒ **Enable auto minor version upgrade**
 Enabling auto minor version upgrade will automatically upgrade to new minor versions as they are released. The automatic upgrades occur during the maintenance window for the database.

Maintenance window [Info](#)
 Select the period you want pending modifications or maintenance applied to the database by Amazon RDS.

☐ Choose a window

☒ No preference

Deletion protection

☐ **Enable deletion protection**
 Protects the database from being deleted accidentally. While this option is enabled, you can't delete the database.

Estimated Monthly costs

DB instance	24.82 USD
Storage	5.06 USD
Total	29.88 USD

This billing estimate is based on on-demand usage as described in [Amazon RDS Pricing](#). Estimate does not include costs for backup storage, I/Os (if applicable), or data transfer.

Estimate your monthly costs for the DB Instance using the [AWS Simple Monthly Calculator](#).

You are responsible for ensuring that you have all of the necessary rights for any third-party products or services that you use with AWS services.

Cancel Create database

Note: RDS take 15-20 minute because it creates a database

After your database is completely ready and you see the status Available

RDS > Databases

Databases (1)
Group resources
Modify
Actions
Restore from S3
Create database

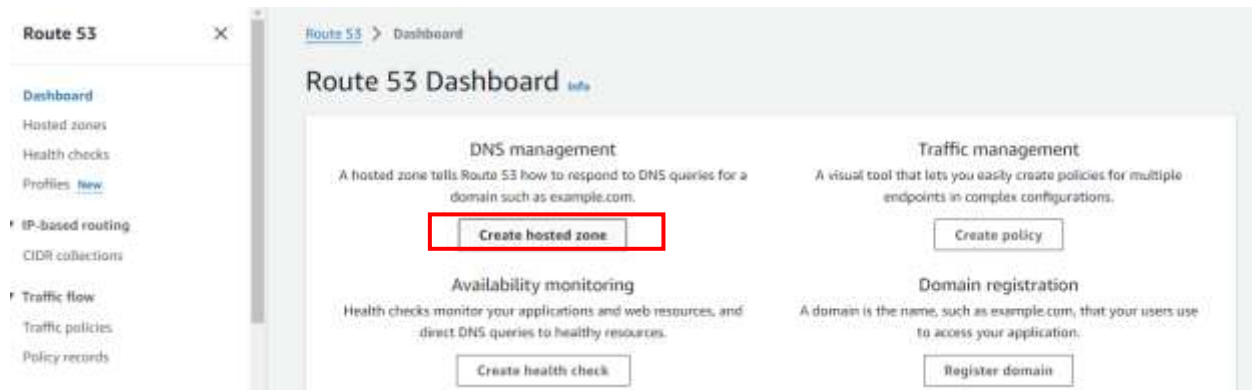
Filter by databases

DB identifier	Status	Role	Engine	Region & AZ	Size	Recommendation
database-1	Available	Instance	MySQL Community	us-east-1a	db.t3.micro	

Route 53

Now we are going to utilize route 53 services and create private hosted zone. So head over to Route 53. Type route 53 in the AWS console. And click on the service.

Firstly, we are going to create a hosted zone. Click on the created hosted zone



Give any domain name because anyhow it will be private hosted zone but it would be great if you give the name same as mine (**rds.com**).

Please select the private hosted zone and Select the region. In my case, it is **us-east-1**. And then select VPC ID.

Make sure you select VPC that we created earlier. Because this hosted zone will resolve the record only in specified VPC. And then click on the Create hosted zone.

Domain name [Info](#)
This is the name of the domain that you want to route traffic for.

Valid characters: a-z, 0-9, ! * # \$ % & ' () * + , - / ; : < = > ? @ [\] ^ _ ` { | } , ~

Description - optional [Info](#)
This value lets you distinguish hosted zones that have the same name.

The description can have up to 256 characters. 19/256

Type [Info](#)
The type indicates whether you want to route traffic on the internet or in an Amazon VPC.

☐ **Public hosted zone**
A public hosted zone determines how traffic is routed on the internet.

☒ **Private hosted zone**
A private hosted zone determines how traffic is routed within an Amazon VPC.

VPCs to associate with the hosted zone [Info](#)
To use this hosted zone to resolve DNS queries for one or more VPCs, choose the VPCs. To associate a VPC with a hosted zone when the VPC was created using a different AWS account, you must use a programmatic method, such as the AWS CLI.

For each VPC that you associate with a private hosted zone, you must set the Amazon VPC settings [enableDnsHostnames](#) and [enableDnsSupport](#) to true.

Region [Info](#)

VPC ID [Info](#)

Now we are going to create a Record that points to our RDS instance which is in **us-east-1**. So click on create record button on the top right corner.

Here type book in the record name field. In the record type select CNAME. In the value field paste **endpoint of the RDS which is in us-east-1**. Then click on the defined record button.

Click on create record button.

Route 53 > Hosted zones > rds.com > Create record

Create record Info

Quick create record [Switch to wizard](#)

▼ Record 1 Delete

Record name Info

book .rds.com

Keep blank to create a record for the root domain.

Record type Info

CNAME – Routes traffic to another domain name and to some AWS res... ▼

☒ Alias

Value Info

database-1.chmawewcy929.us-east-1.rds.amazonaws.com

Enter multiple values on separate lines.

TTL (seconds) Info

300 1m 1h 1d

Recommended values: 60 to 172800 (two days)

Routing policy Info

Simple routing ▼

[Add another record](#)

Cancel Create records

Creating our domain Host:

1. **Navigate to Hosted Zones** in the Route 53 dashboard.
2. **Click on "Create Hosted Zone"**.
3. **Enter the Domain Name** (e.g.: **b13facebook.xyz**) you want to associate with the hosted zone.
4. **Select Public Hosted Zone** as the type.
5. **Click on "Create"**.

[Domain Portfolio](#)

b13facebook.xyz

Overview

DNS

Products

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DS Records

Nameservers determine where your DNS is hosted and where you add, edit or delete your DNS records:

Using custom nameservers

Change Nameservers

Edit nameservers

Choose nameservers for b13facebook.xyz

☐ GoDaddy Nameservers (recommended)☒ I'll use my own nameservers

ns-1237.awsdns-26.org



ns-769.awsdns-32.net



ns-474.awsdns-59.com



ns-1927.awsdns-48.co.uk

[+ Add Nameserver](#)

Save

Cancel

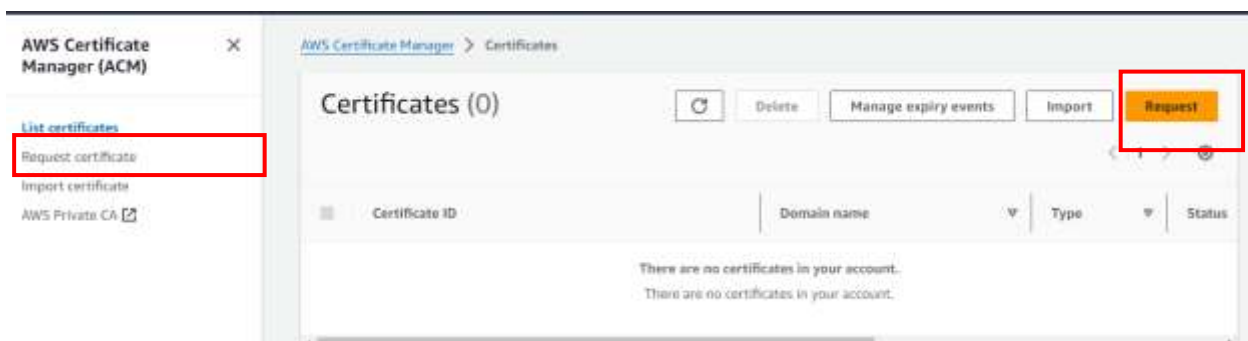
It Takes 5-10mins to create

Certificate Manager

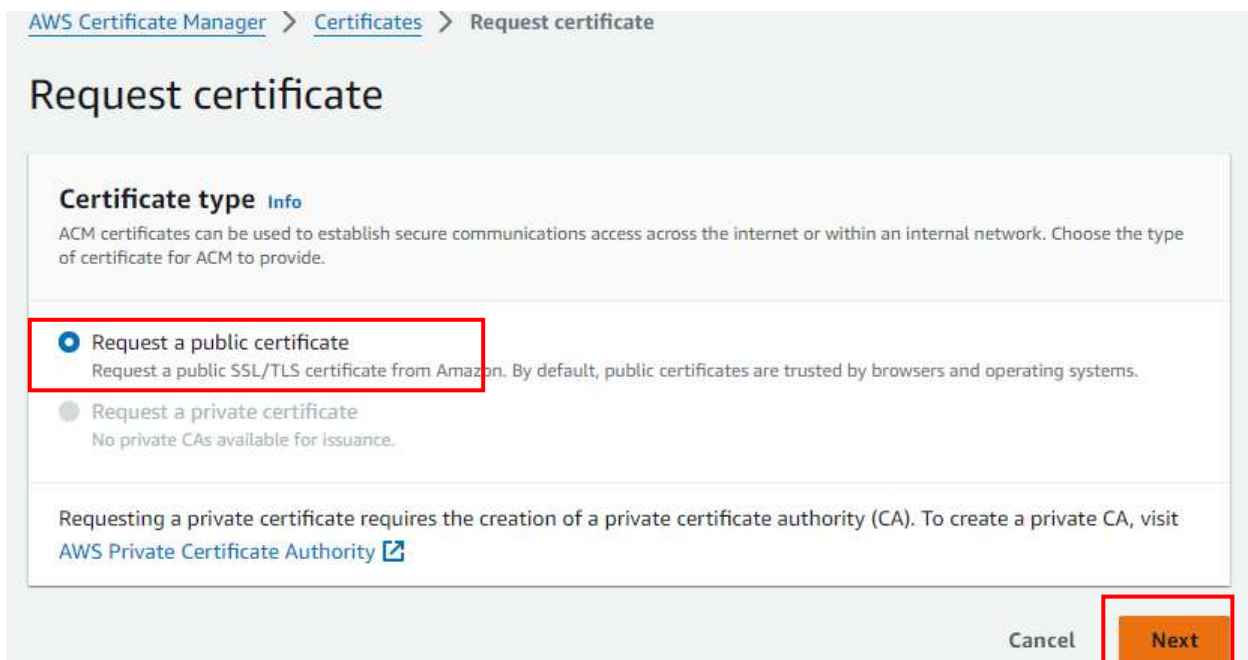
I have the domain name b13facebook.xyz from godaddy in Route 53. Now I am going to use this domain name to create sub domains such as api.b13facebook.xyz and that will resolve **ALB-backend DNS**. Furthermore, we need an SSL certificate so that we can make the connection secure.

So let's head over to ACM (AWS certificate manager). Type certificate manager in the AWS console search bar. And click on the service.

Now click on the list certificates button on the left panel and then click on the request certificate on the top right corner.

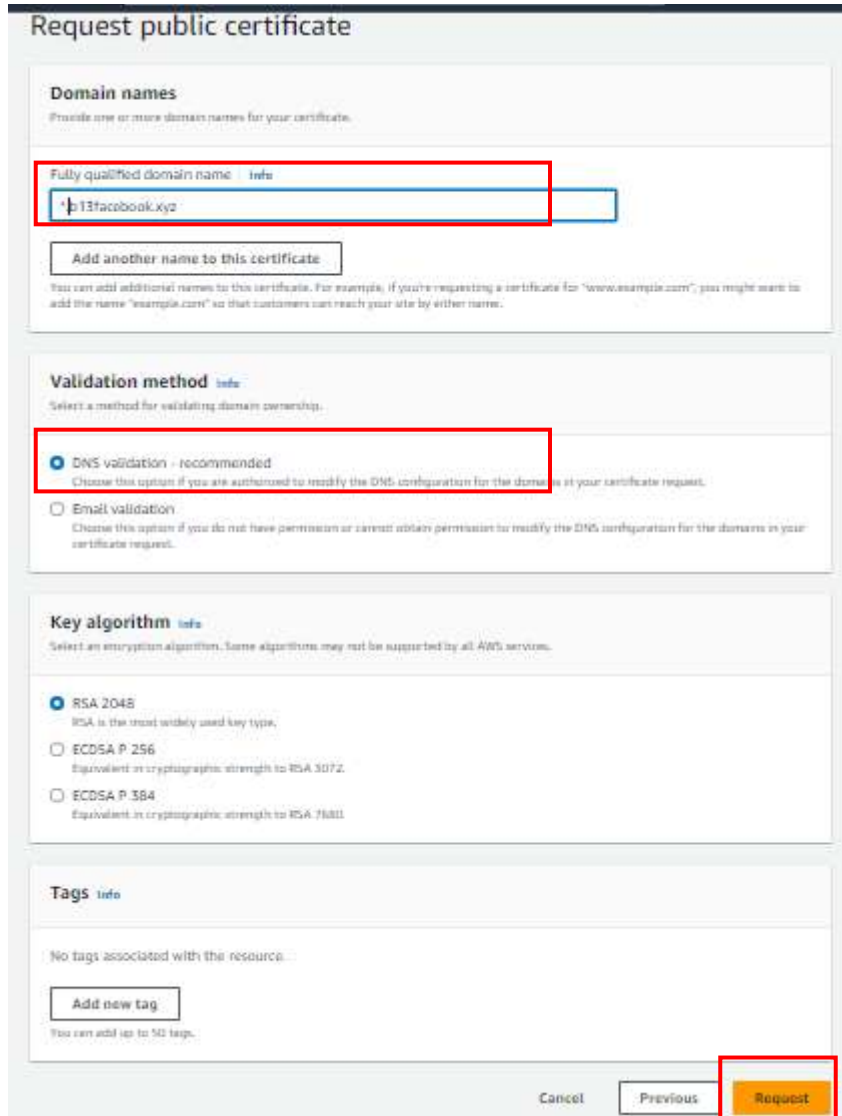


Select the option Request the public certificate and click on the next button.



In the domain name field please type ***.Your_Domain_Name.xyz** in my case it is ***.b13facebook.xyz**.

In the validation methods select DNS validation and click on the request certificate.



Request public certificate

Domain names info
Provide one or more domain names for your certificate.

Fully qualified domain name info
*.b13facebook.xyz

Add another name to this certificate
You can add additional names to this certificate. For example, if you're requesting a certificate for "www.example.com", you might want to add the name "example.com" so that customers can reach your site by either name.

Validation method info
Select a method for validating domain ownership.

☒ DNS validation - recommended
Choose this option if you are authorized to modify the DNS configuration for the domains in your certificate request.

☐ Email validation
Choose this option if you do not have permission or cannot obtain permission to modify the DNS configuration for the domains in your certificate request.

Key algorithm info
Select an encryption algorithm. Some algorithms may not be supported by all AWS services.

☒ RSA 2048
RSA is the most widely used key type.

☐ ECDSA P 256
Equivalent in cryptographic strength to RSA 3072.

☐ ECDSA P 384
Equivalent in cryptographic strength to RSA 7680.

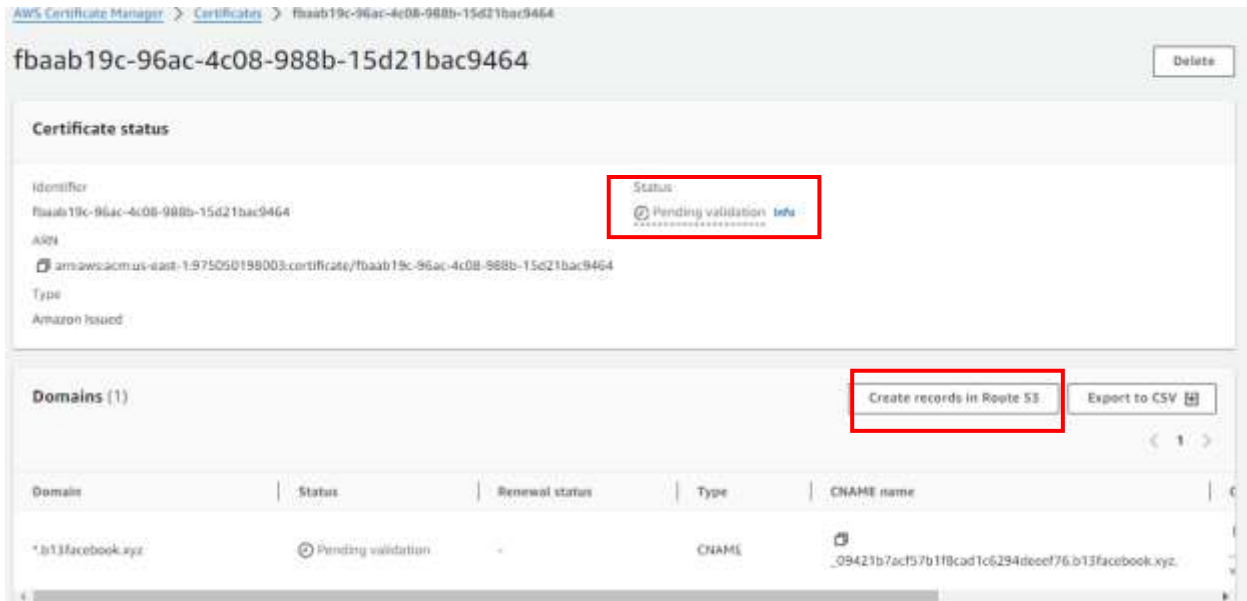
Tags info
No tags associated with the resource.

Add new tag
You can add up to 50 tags.

Cancel Previous **Request**

Here you can see the status pending validation. Now we need to add a **CNAME record** in our domain. If you are not using route 53 then you need to add this CNAME record manually by going to your DOMAIN REREGISTER. And if you are using route 53 then click on the button

create record in route 53 and click on the create record button



Certificate status

Identifier: fbaab19c-96ac-4c08-988b-15d21bac9464

Status: Pending validation

ARN: arn:aws:acm:us-east-1:975050198003:certificate/fbaab19c-96ac-4c08-988b-15d21bac9464

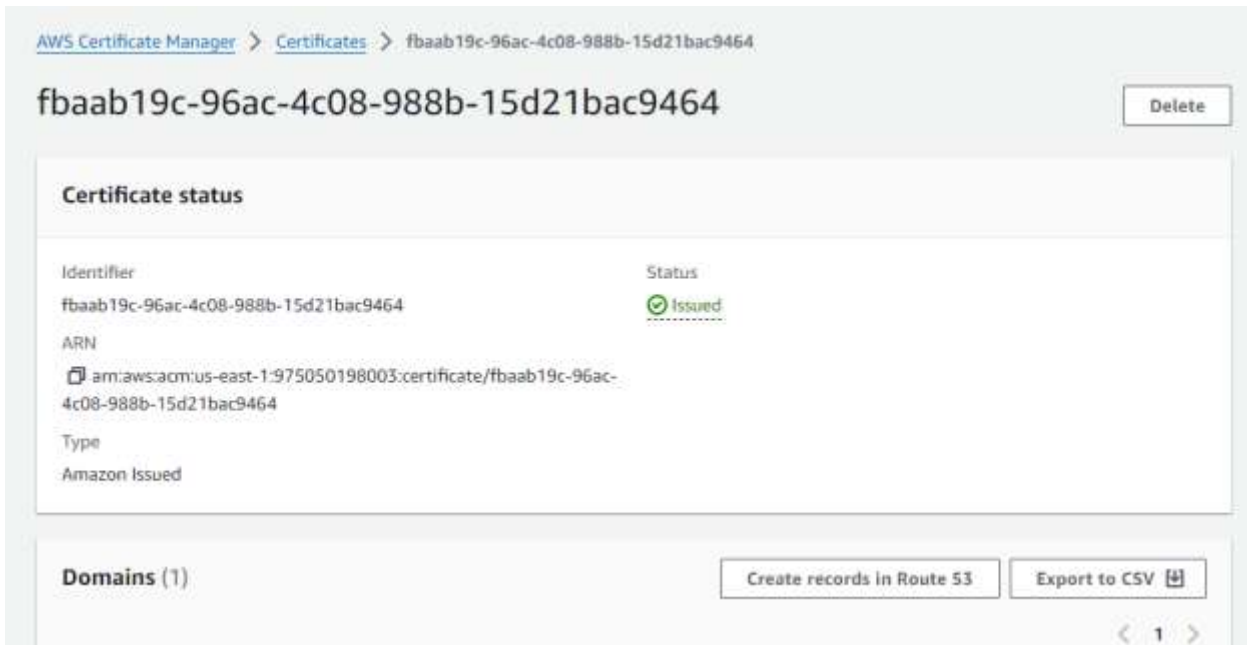
Type: Amazon Issued

Domains (1)

Create records in Route 53

Domain	Status	Renewal status	Type	CNAME name
*b13facebook.xyz	Pending validation	-	CNAME	_09421b7ac157b1f8cad1c6294deeef76.b13facebook.xyz.

And in just a few minutes you will see the status issued.



Certificate status

Identifier: fbaab19c-96ac-4c08-988b-15d21bac9464

Status: Issued

ARN: arn:aws:acm:us-east-1:975050198003:certificate/fbaab19c-96ac-4c08-988b-15d21bac9464

Type: Amazon Issued

Domains (1)

Create records in Route 53

Export to CSV

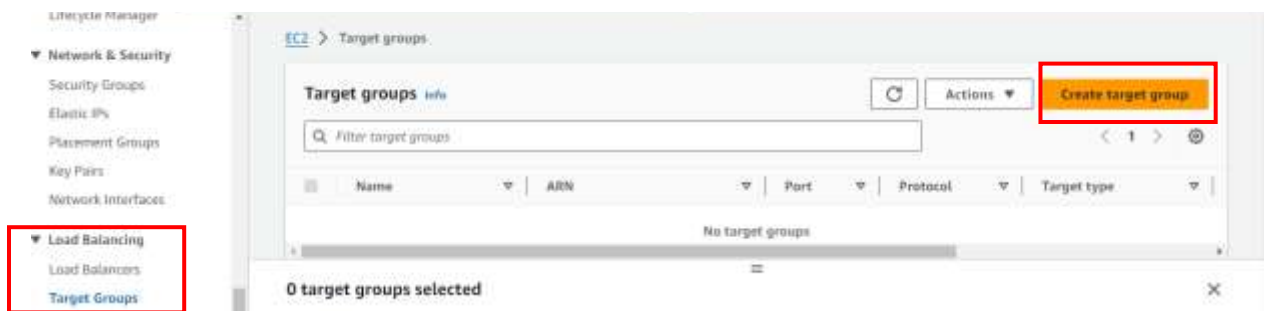
Application Load balancer (ALB) and Route 53

Now it's time to set up an Application load balancer. We need two load balancers, one point to the backend server, and another point to the frontend server.

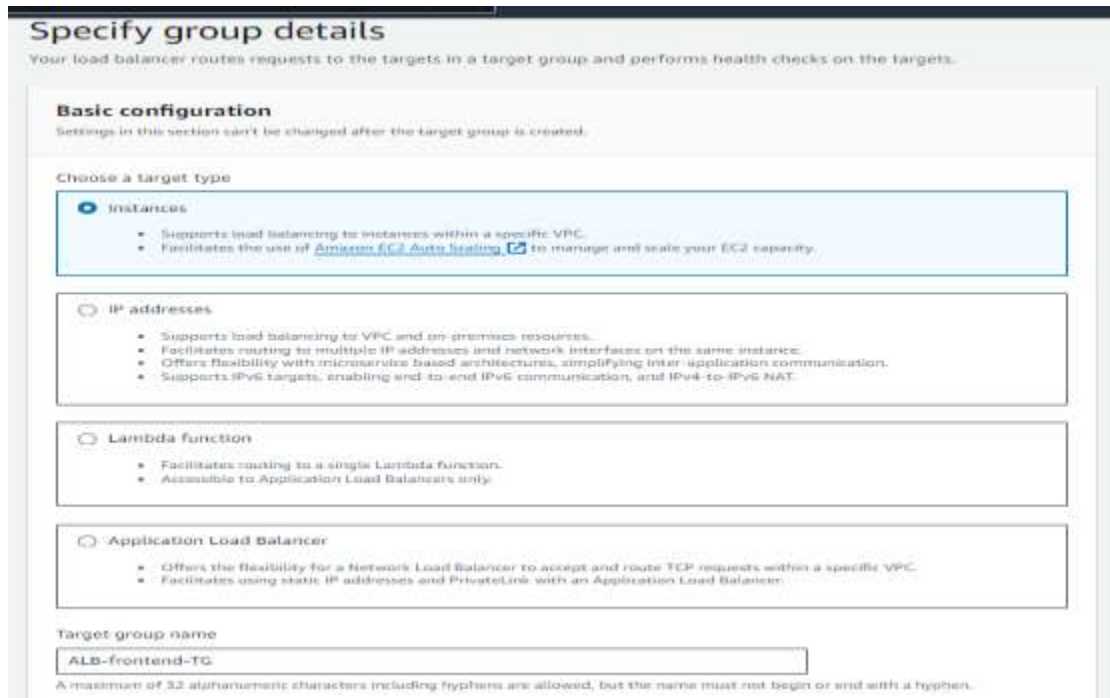
Type ec2 in the AWS console. And click on the EC2 service.

Note: before we created ALB we need to create a Target group (TG). So first we will create TG for ALB-frontend and then create TG for ALB-backend.

Click the target group button on the bottom of the left panel. And click on the create target group button.



Here we can configure our TG. Select the instance in the target type. You can give any name to TG but try to give some relevant name such as **ALB-frontend-TG** because we are creating TG for ALB-frontend.



In the VPC section select VPC that we created earlier.

Keep everything as it is, scroll down, and click on the Next button.

Protocol : Port

Choose a protocol for your target group that corresponds to the Load Balancer type that will route traffic to it. Some protocols now include anomaly detection for the targets and you can set mitigation options once your target group is created. This choice cannot be changed after creation

HTTP 80
1-65535

IP address type

Only targets with the indicated IP address type can be registered to this target group.

☒ IPv4
Each instance has a default network interface (eth0) that is assigned the primary private IPv4 address. The instance's primary private IPv4 address is the one that will be applied to the target.

☐ IPv6
Each instance you register must have an assigned primary IPv6 address. This is configured on the instance's default network interface (eth0). [Learn more](#)

VPC

Select the VPC with the instances that you want to include in the target group. Only VPCs that support the IP address type selected above are available in this list.

Three_tier_vpc
vpc-086b0a9b227f89585
IPv4 VPC CIDR: 170.20.0.0/16

Protocol version

☒ HTTP1
Send requests to targets using HTTP/1.1. Supported when the request protocol is HTTP/1.1 or HTTP/2.

☐ HTTP2
Send requests to targets using HTTP/2. Supported when the request protocol is HTTP/2 or gRPC, but gRPC-specific features are not available.

☐ gRPC
Send requests to targets using gRPC. Supported when the request protocol is gRPC.

Health checks

The associated load balancer periodically sends requests, per the settings below, to the registered targets to test their status.

Health check protocol

HTTP

Health check path

Use the default path of "/" to perform health checks on the root, or specify a custom path if preferred.

/

Up to 1024 characters allowed.

▼ Advanced health check settings

Restore defaults

Health check port

The port the load balancer uses when performing health checks on targets. By default, the health check port is the same as the target group's traffic port. However, you can specify a different port as an override.

☒ Traffic port

☐ Override

Healthy threshold

The number of consecutive health checks successes required before considering an unhealthy target healthy.

5

2-10

Unhealthy threshold

The number of consecutive health check failures required before considering a target unhealthy.

2

2-10

Timeout

The amount of time, in seconds, during which no response means a failed health check.

5

2-120

Interval

The approximate amount of time between health checks of an individual target.

30

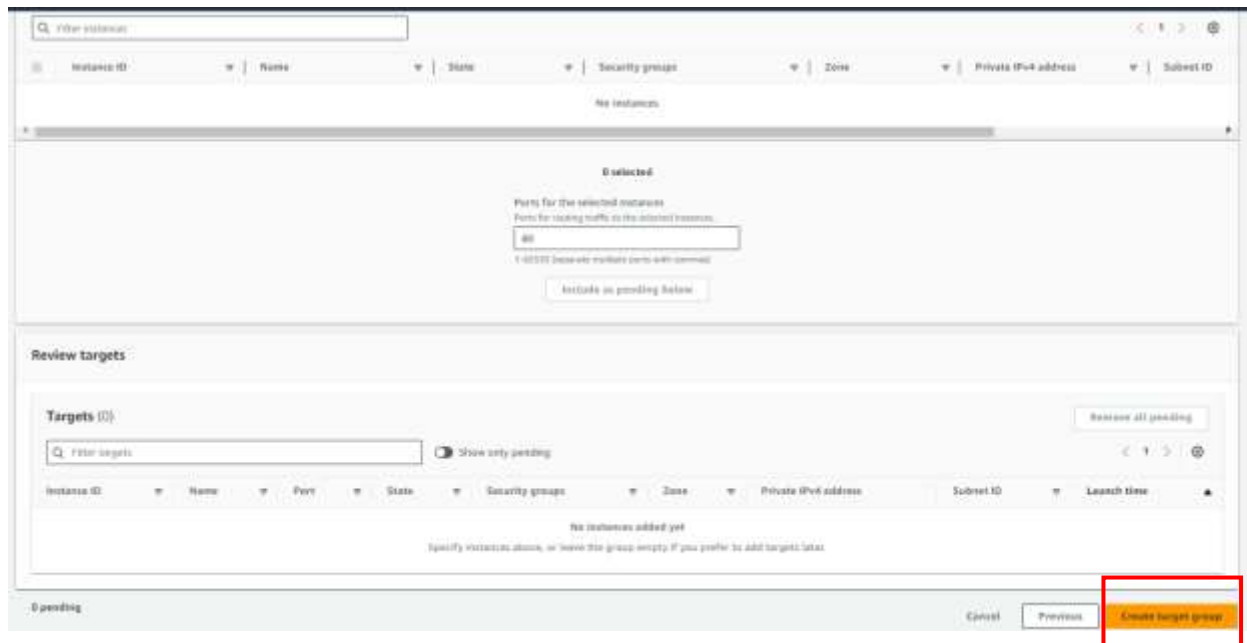
5-300

Success codes

The HTTP codes to use when checking for a successful response from a target. You can specify multiple values (for example, "200,202") or a range of values (for example, "200-299").

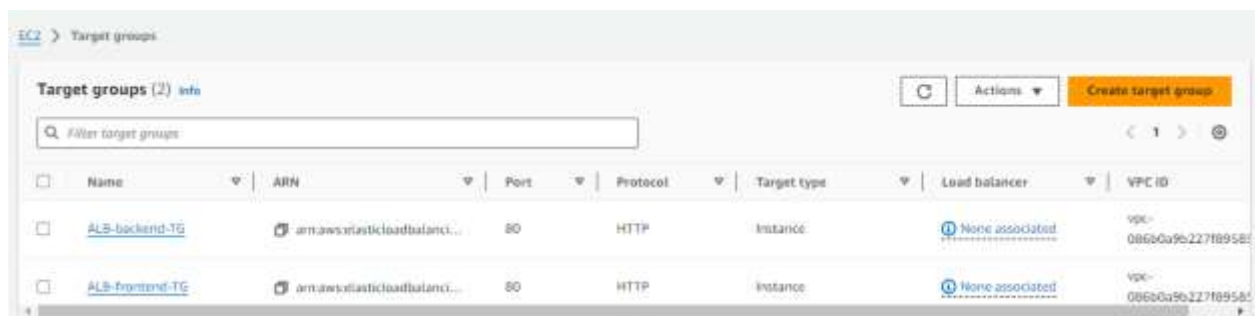
200

Click on the create target group button.

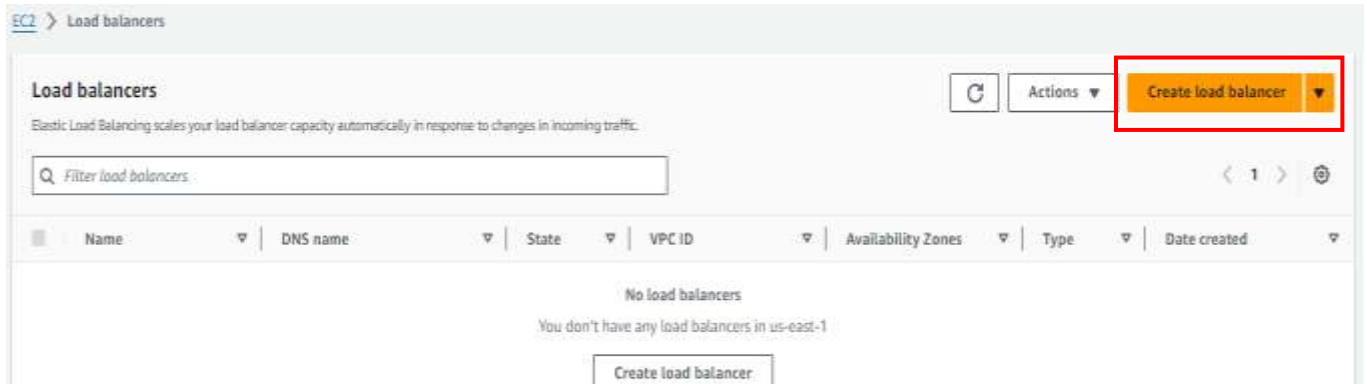


Let's create TG for **ALB-backend**. Follow same as above steps.

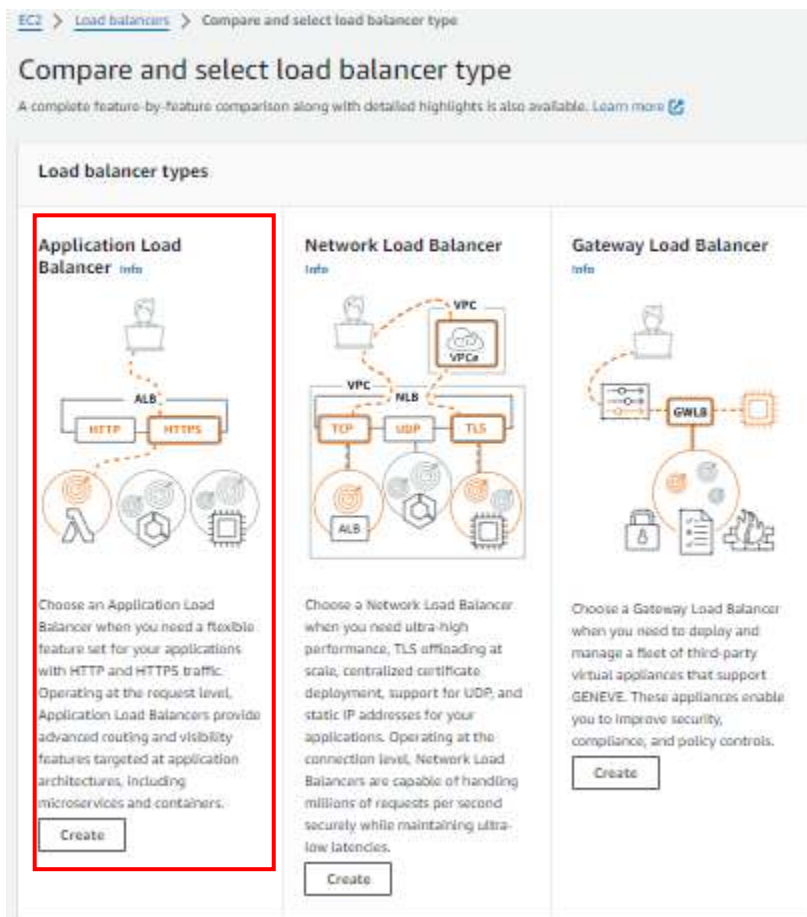
So we have two TG. **ALB-frontend-TG** and **ALB-backend-TG**.



Now let's associate these TG with the load balancer. So click on the Load Balancer button at the bottom of the left panel and click on the create load balancer button. First, we will create ALB for frontend.



Choose Application load balancer and click on create button.



Here we can configure our ALB. First, give the relevant name to ALB such as **ALB-frontend**. Select the internet-facing option. In Network mapping select VPC that we have created. Select

both availability zone **us-east-1a** and **us-east-2b**. And select subnet **pub-sub-1a** and **pub-sub-2b** respectively.

ALB-frontend

A maximum of 32 alphanumeric characters including hyphens are allowed, but the name must not begin or end with a hyphen.

Scheme **Internet-facing**

☒ Internet-facing
An Internet-facing load balancer routes requests from clients over the Internet to targets. Requires a public subnet. [Learn more](#)

☐ Internal
An internal load balancer routes requests from clients to targets using private IP addresses. Compatible with the IPv4 and Dualstack IP address types.

Load balancer IP address type **IPv4**

Select the front-end IP address type to assign to the load balancer. The VPC and subnets mapped to this load balancer must include the selected IP address types. Public IPv4 addresses have an additional cost.

☒ IPv4
Includes only IPv4 addresses.

☐ Dualstack
Includes IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

☐ Dualstack without public IPv4
Includes a public IPv6 address, and private IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. Compatible with Internet-facing load balancers only.

Network mapping

The load balancer routes traffic to targets in the selected subnets, and in accordance with your IP address settings.

VPC **Three-tier_vpc**

The load balancer will exist and scale within the selected VPC. The selected VPC is also where the load balancer targets must be located unless routing to Lambda or on-premises targets, or if using VPC peering. To confirm the VPC for your targets, view [target groups](#). For a new VPC, create a VPC.

vpc-08890a06227f855d5
IPv4 VPC CIDR: 170.20.0.0/16

Mappings

Select at least two Availability Zones and one subnet per zone. The load balancer routes traffic to targets in these Availability Zones only. Availability Zones that are not supported by the load balancer or the VPC are not available for selection.

Availability Zones

☒ us-east-1a (use 1-az6)

Subnet

subnet-05d61ac1366d673cb
IPv4 subnet CIDR: 170.20.1.0/24

pub_sub_1a

IPv4 address

Assigned by AWS

☒ us-east-1b (use 1-az1)

Subnet

subnet-08c2efd0947644f6a
IPv4 subnet CIDR: 170.20.2.0/24

pub_sub_2b

IPv4 address

Select security group. In the listener part select TG that we have just created **ALB-frontend-TG**.

Security groups [Info](#)
A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic to your load balancer. Select an existing security group, or you can create a new security group [?](#)

Security groups

Select up to 5 security groups

default sg-004dcc06da094f9e4 VPC: vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 X 3tier_sg sg-0198e9ee2e94f5b3c VPC: vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 X

Listeners and routing [Info](#)
A listener is a process that checks for connection requests using the port and protocol you configure. The rules that you define for a listener determine how the load balancer routes requests to its registered targets.

▼ Listener HTTP:80 Remove

Protocol HTTP Port 80 1-65535

Default action [Info](#)

Forward to ALB-frontend-TG HTTP ?

Target type: Instance, IPv4

[Create target group](#) [?](#)

Scroll down and click on the create load balancer button.

Summary
Review and confirm your configurations. [Estimate cost](#) [?](#)

Basic configuration [Edit](#)
ALB-frontend

- Internet-facing
- IPv4

Security groups [Edit](#)

- default [sg-004dcc06da094f9e4](#) [?](#)
- 3tier_sg [sg-0198e9ee2e94f5b3c](#) [?](#)

Network mapping [Edit](#)
VPC [vpc-086b0a9b227f89585](#) [?](#)
Three_tier_vpc

- us-east-1a [subnet-09d61ac1366d673cb](#) [?](#)
pub_sub_1a
- us-east-1b [subnet-08c2efd0947644f6a](#) [?](#)
pub_sub_2b

Listeners and routing [Edit](#)

- HTTP:80 defaults to [ALB-frontend TG](#) [?](#)

Service integrations [Edit](#)
AWS WAF: None
AWS Global Accelerator: None

Tags [Edit](#)
None

Attributes

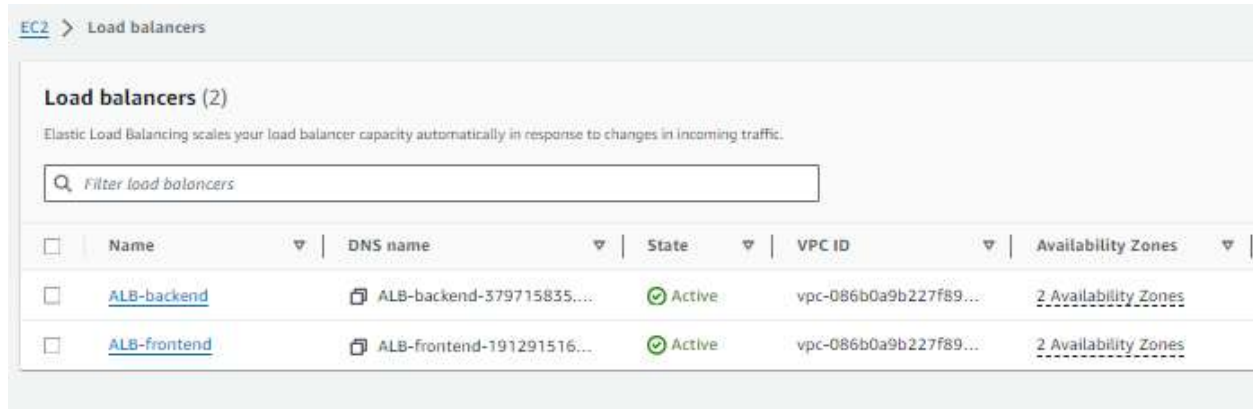
? Certain default attributes will be applied to your load balancer. You can view and edit them after creating the load balancer.

Creation workflow and status

► **Server-side tasks and status**
After completing and submitting the above steps, all server-side tasks and their statuses become available for monitoring.

Cancel Create load balancer

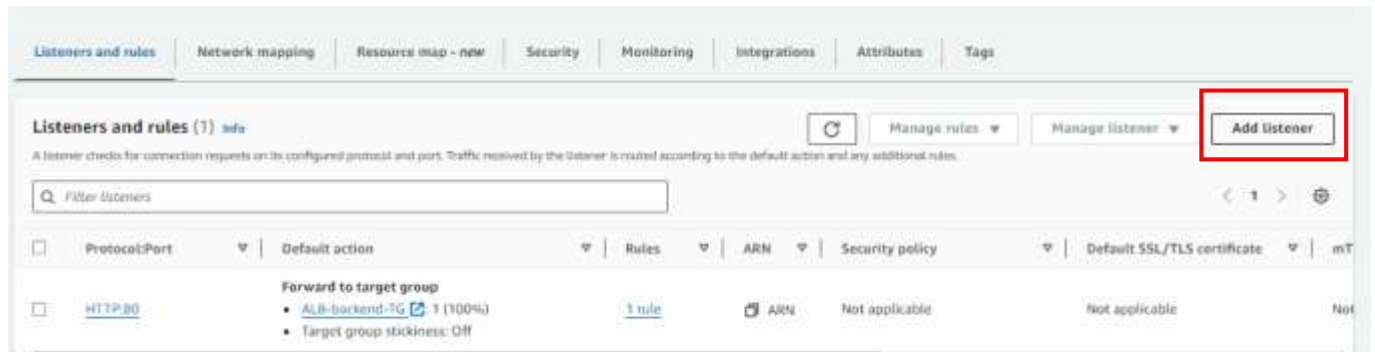
Now, let's create ALB for backend. Follow same above steps, but in the listener part select TG that we just created **ALB-backend-TG**.



Now we have two load balancers, **ALB-frontend** and **ALB-backend**. But we need to add one more listener in **ALB-frontend** and **ALB-backend**.

So click on ALB-backend.

Click on add listener the button that is located on the right side.



Here In listener details select HTTPS. Default Action should be forward and select ALB-backend-TG. Now we need to select the certificate that we have created. So in the Secure Listener setting select the certificate. And click on the add button below.

Listener details: HTTPS:443

A listener checks for connection requests using the protocol and port that you configure. The default action and any additional rules that you create determine how the Application Load Balancer routes requests to its registered targets.

Listener configuration

The listener will be identified by the protocol and port.

Protocol

Used for connections from clients to the load balancer.

HTTPS

Port

The port on which the load balancer is listening for connections.

443

1-65535

Default actions [Info](#)

The default action is used if no other rules apply. Choose the default action for traffic on this listener.

Authentication [Info](#)

Authentication requires IPv4 connectivity to authentication endpoints. [Learn more](#)

☐ Use OpenID or Amazon Cognito

Include authentication using either OpenID Connect (OIDC) or Amazon Cognito.

Routing actions

☒ Forward to target groups

☐ Redirect to URL

☐ Return fixed response

Forward to target group [Info](#)

Choose a target group and specify routing weight or [Create target group](#)

Target group

ALB-backend-TG

Target type: Instance, IPv4

HTTP



Weight

1

0-999

Percent

100%

[Add target group](#)

You can add up to 4 more target groups.

Secure listener settings [Info](#)

Security policy [Info](#)

Your load balancer uses a Secure Socket Layer (SSL) negotiation configuration called a security policy to manage SSL connections with clients. [Compare security policies](#)

Security category

All security policies

Policy name

ELBSecurityPolicy-TLS13-1-2-2021-06 (recommended)

Default SSL/TLS server certificate

The certificate used if a client connects without SNI protocol, or if there are no matching certificates. You can source this certificate from AWS Certificate Manager (ACM), Amazon Identity and Access Management (IAM), or import a certificate. This certificate will automatically be added to your listener certificate list.

Certificate source

☒ From ACM

☐ From IAM

☐ Import certificate

Certificate (from ACM)

The selected certificate will be applied as the default SSL/TLS server certificate for this load balancer's secure listeners.

*_b13facebook.xyz

fbaab19c-96ac-4c08-988b-15d2...



[Request new ACM certificate](#)

Client certificate handling [Info](#)

Client certificates are used to make authenticated requests to remote servers. [Learn more](#)

☐ Mutual authentication (mTLS)

Mutual TLS (Transport Layer Security) authentication offers two-way peer authentication. It adds a layer of security over TLS and allows your services to verify the client that's making the connection.

Follow same steps for **ALB-frontend** also.

So here we successfully completed the ALB setup

EC2

Now we are going to create a temporary frontend and backend server to do all the required setup, take snapshots and create Machine images from it. So that we can utilize it in the launch template.

1. First, click on the instance button and then click on the Launch Instance button on the top right corner.
2. First, we are going to set up a frontend server. Give a name to your instance (**temp-frontend-server**). Select Ubuntu as the operating system. Choose the instance type as t2.micro. Click on Create key pair if you don't have it.
3. Here we are doing a temporary setup so we don't use our OWN VPC. We can use the default VPC given by AWS. In short, keep the Network setting as it is.

We have successfully launched **temp-frontend-server**. So now let's launch a temporary backend server. Give a name to your instance (**temp-backend-server**). Follow above steps

Please wait for 5-8 minutes so that the instance comes in a running state. And then we will utilize instances for further steps.

Temp-frontend-server:

Select **temp-frontend-server**. Now open Gitbash where you have downloaded your YOUR_KEY.pem file. And type the command.

```
ssh -i <name_of_key>.pem ubuntu@<Public_IP_add_of_Instance>
```

Now you are successfully logged your remote **temp-frontend-server**. Now our first task is to install some packages and second task is to clone git repo.

```
#packages for our frontend server
#!/bin/bash

sudo apt update -y

sudo apt install apache2 -y

curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_18.x | sudo -E bash - &&\
sudo apt-get install -y nodejs -y
```

```
sudo apt update -y

sudo npm install -g corepack -y

corepack enable

corepack prepare yarn@stable --activate

sudo yarn global add pm2
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~$ sudo apt update -y
sudo apt install apache2 -y
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_18.x | sudo -E bash - &&\
sudo apt-get install -y nodejs -y
sudo apt update -y
sudo npm install -g corepack -y
corepack enable
corepack prepare yarn@stable --activate --yes
sudo yarn global add pm2
```

The Github repository link is https://github.com/Ramani-github/aws_three_tier_project.git

git clone https://github.com/Ramani-github/aws_three_tier_project.git

Go inside the directory.

cd aws_three_tier_project/client

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~$ git clone https://github.com/Ramani-github/aws_three_tier_project.git
Cloning into 'aws_three_tier_project' ...
remote: Enumerating objects: 51, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (51/51), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (44/44), done.
remote: Total 51 (delta 9), reused 28 (delta 2), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (51/51), 317.74 KiB | 14.44 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (9/9), done.
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~$ cd aws_three_tier_project/client/
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~/aws_three_tier_project/client$ |
```

Now, we need to change just one line in our frontend application that is built in React. So type the command

vim src/pages/config.js

The above command opens the file in a text editor. Now press `esc + I` the button on your keyboard to edit the file. In this file, we have to change `API_BASE_URL`. So remove whatever is present in the `API_BASE_URL` variable.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128: ~/aws_three_tier_project/client
// const API_BASE_URL = "http://localhost:8800";
const API_BASE_URL = "http://172.20.5.246:80";
export default API_BASE_URL;
~
~
~
```

And add **`https://api. b13facebook.xyz`**, in my case I have added this URL but in your case it is different. This means you need to use your OWN domain name. So your `API_BASE_URL` should be like `https://api.<YOUR_DOMAIN_NAME>.XYZ`. After updating the variable press `ESC` key on your keyboard and then type: `wq` and hit the Enter button.

`API_BASE_URL = https://api.b13facebook.xyz`

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128: ~/aws_three_tier_project/client
// const API_BASE_URL = "http://localhost:8800";
const API_BASE_URL = "https://api. b13facebook.xyz";
export default API_BASE_URL;
~
~
~
```

After making these changes our frontend of the application will send all the API calls on the domain name `https://api.b13facebook.xyz` and lastly, that will point to our backend server.

Now type the command `npm install` in the terminal to install all the required packages.

```
npm install
```

Type the command `npm run build` to create the optimize static pages.

```
npm run build
```

Now you have one more folder in the directory called `build`. You can verify that by typing `ls` command

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~/aws_three_tier_project/client$ ls  
build node_modules package-lock.json package.json public src  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-35-128:~/aws_three_tier_project/client$ |
```

Now type the very essential command `sudo cp -r build/* /var/www/html/`

```
sudo cp -r build/* /var/www/html
```

The above command takes all the static files from the build folder and stores them in `/var/www/html` so that Apache can serve them.

Here our temp-frontend-server configuration is completed.

Temp-backend-server

Now let's set up the temp-backend-server. So select the temp-backend-server and copy the IP address of the instance. Again please open Git bash in the same directory where your stored `key.pem` file. And type the below command

```
ssh -i name_of_your_key>.pem ubuntu@<Public_IP_add>
```

We are successfully logged in inside the backend server. First, install packages and we will clone the repo.

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
sudo apt update -y
```

```
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_18.x | sudo -E bash - &&\  
sudo apt-get install -y nodejs -y
```

```
sudo apt update -y
```

```
sudo npm install -g corepack -y
```

```
corepack enable
```

```
corepack prepare yarn@stable --activate
```

```
sudo yarn global add pm2
```



```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-47-128:~$
sudo apt update -y

curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_18.x | sudo -E bash - &&\
sudo apt-get install -y nodejs -y

sudo apt update -y

sudo npm install -g corepack -y

corepack enable

corepack prepare yarn@stable --activate --yes
```

git clone https://github.com/Ramani-github/aws_three_tier_project.git

go inside the aws_three_tier_project/backend

cd aws_three_tier_project/backend

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-47-128:~$ git clone https://github.com/Ramani-github/aws_three_tier_project.git
Cloning into 'aws_three_tier_project'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 51, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (51/51), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (44/44), done.
remote: Total 51 (delta 9), reused 28 (delta 2), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (51/51), 317.74 KiB | 12.71 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (9/9), done.
ubuntu@ip-172-31-47-128:~$ cd aws_three_tier_project/backend/
ubuntu@ip-172-31-47-128:~/aws_three_tier_project/backend$
```

Here we are going to create one file with the name .env

vim .env

Press the esc I button on your keyboard. And copy the code given below and paste the snippet into the code editor. This code contains information about the RDS instance. Please change your username and password according to whatever you kept while creating a database. And then click on the ESC button and type: wq and hit the enter button

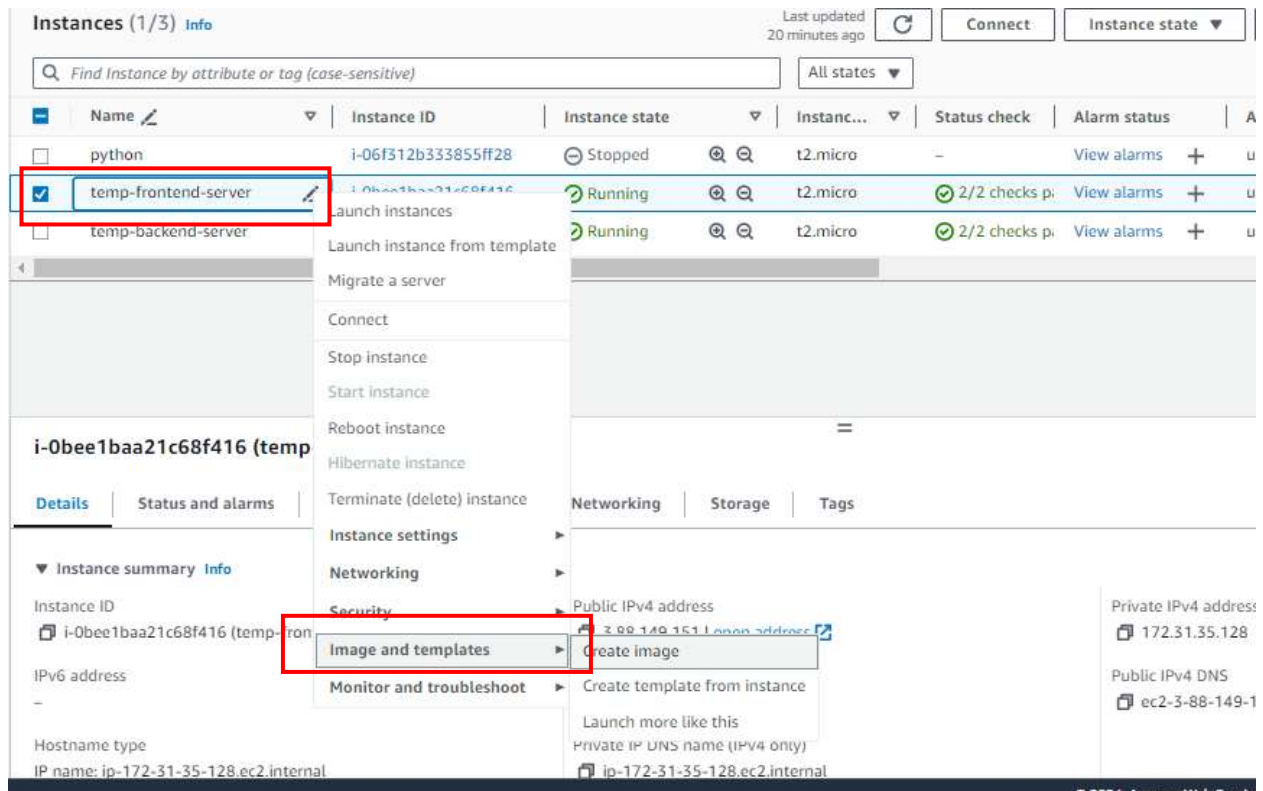
```
DB_HOST=book.rds.com
DB_USERNAME=admin
DB_PASSWORD="Mindcircuit1234"
PORT=3306
```

```
DB_HOST=book.rds.com
DB_USERNAME=admin
DB_PASSWORD="Mindcircuit1234"
PORT=3306
```

```
npm install
npm install dotenv
```

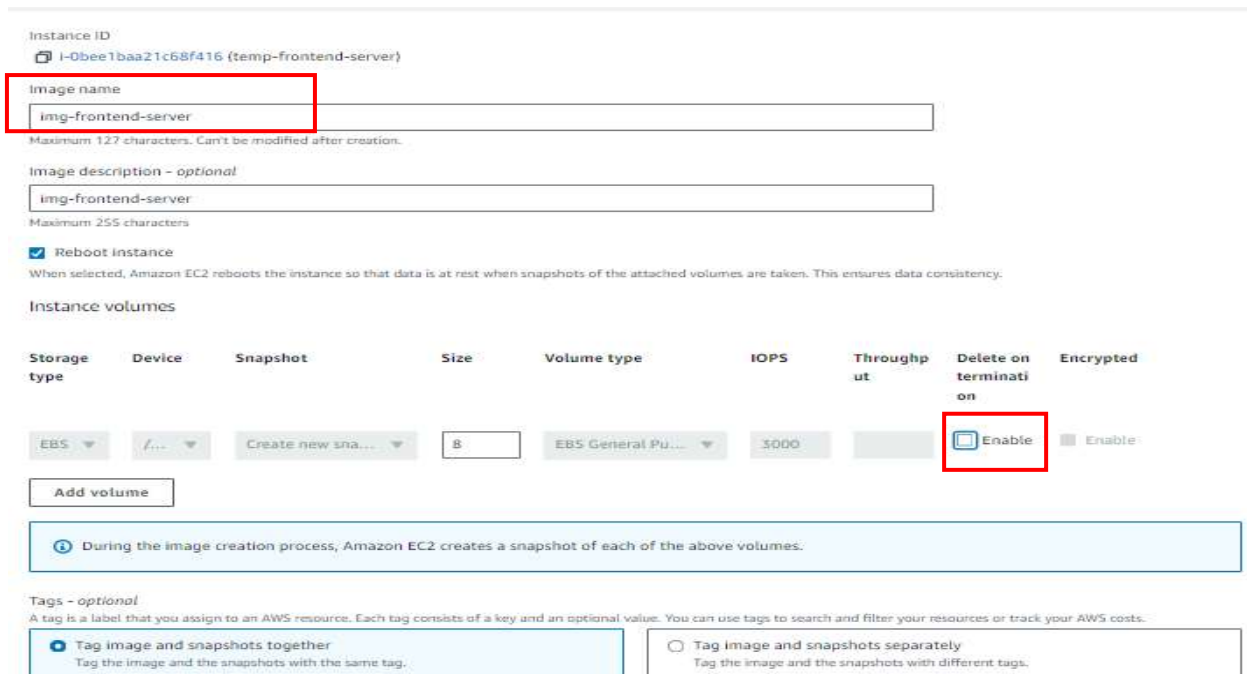
```
sudo pm2 start index.js --name "backendApi"
```

```
sudo pm2 list
```



The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console 'Instances' page. A table lists three instances: 'python' (Stopped), 'temp-frontend-server' (Running), and 'temp-backend-server' (Running). The 'temp-frontend-server' instance is selected, and a context menu is open. The 'Image and templates' option is highlighted, and the 'Create image' sub-option is also highlighted. The instance details for 'temp-frontend-server' are visible on the right, including its ID, state, type, and various addresses.

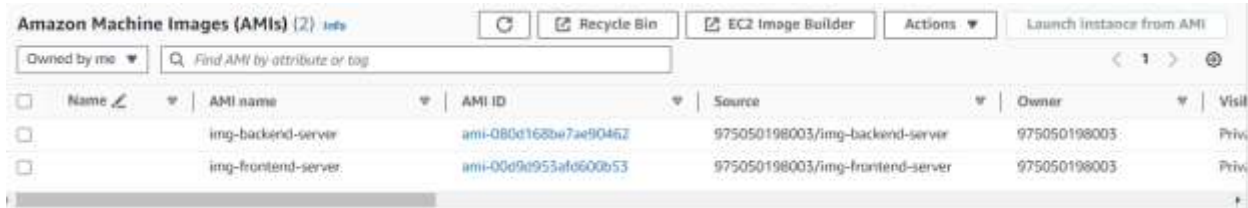
Give the name you your image (**img-frontend-server**). Just deselect that delete on the termination button and click on the create image button.



The screenshot shows the 'Create image' wizard in the AWS Management Console. The 'Image name' field is set to 'img-frontend-server'. The 'Delete on termination' checkbox is unchecked. The 'Reboot instance' checkbox is checked. The 'Instance volumes' section shows a table with columns for Storage type, Device, Snapshot, Size, Volume type, IOPS, Throughput, Delete on termination, and Encrypted. The 'Delete on termination' checkbox is highlighted. Below the table, there is a section for 'Tags - optional' with two radio buttons: 'Tag image and snapshots together' (selected) and 'Tag image and snapshots separately'.

You have to do the same thing for the temp-backend-server as well.

After a couple of minutes (10-15) you can see those images. Click on the AMIs button on the left panel and you can see both images here.



	Name	AMI name	AMI ID	Source	Owner	Visibility
<input type="checkbox"/>		img-backend-server	ami-080d168be7ae90462	975050198003/img-backend-server	975050198003	Private
<input type="checkbox"/>		img-frontend-server	ami-00d9d953afd600b53	975050198003/img-frontend-server	975050198003	Private

Launch Template

Create a launch template, so click on the launch template button on the left panel and click on the create launch template button.

Give the name to your launch template such as template-frontend-server as we are creating a launch template for frontend-server. Here we need to select AMI so click on My AMIs tab and select the option owned by me. So now it will show you all the images that are present in your current region. Here you have to select the image that contains the frontend application. Select instance type t2.micro

Services Search [Alt+S]

Launch template name and description

Launch template name - required

templatefrontend

Must be unique to this account. Must be 1-128 chars. No spaces or special characters like %, *, @.

Template version description

templatefrontendserver

Max 255 chars

Auto Scaling guidance [info](#)

Select this if you intend to use this template with EC2 Auto Scaling.

☐ Provide guidance to help me set up a template that I can use with EC2 Auto Scaling

► Template tags

► Source template

Launch template contents

Specify the details of your launch template below. Leaving a field blank will result in the field not being included in the launch template.

▼ Application and OS Images (Amazon Machine Image) [info](#)

An AMI is a template that contains the software configuration (operating system, application server, and applications) required to launch your instance. Search or Browse for AMIs if you don't see what you are looking for below.

Search our full catalog including 1000s of application and OS images

Recents My AMIs Quick Start

☐ Don't include in launch template

☒ Owned by me

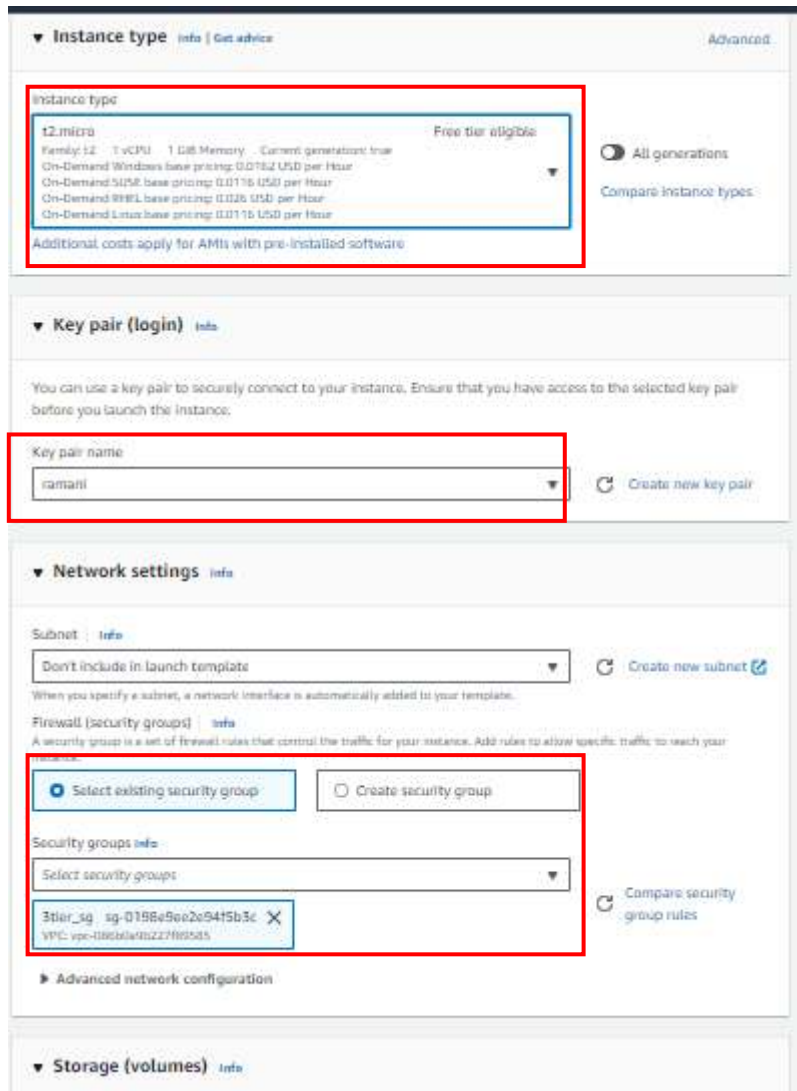
☐ Shared with me

Browse more AMIs
Including AMIs from AWS Marketplace and the Community

Amazon Machine Image (AMI)

img-frontend-server
ami-0bd4b17c7a1f0b055
2024-08-21T14:09:02.000Z · Virtualization type: x86_64 · EBS enabled: true · Root device type: ebs

Scroll down, attach the key pair, and in the network setting just select the security group that we created for the frontend server.



The screenshot shows the AWS Launch Template configuration page. The 'Instance type' section is highlighted with a red box, showing 't2.micro' as the selected instance type. The 'Key pair (login)' section is also highlighted with a red box, showing 'ramani' as the selected key pair. The 'Network settings' section is highlighted with a red box, showing 'Don't include in launch template' for the subnet and '3tier_sg' as the selected security group. The 'Storage (volumes)' section is visible at the bottom.

We successfully created a launch template for the frontend-server. Now let's create a launch template for the backend server.

Give a name to your launch template (template-backend-server). Give version 1 in the version field, but make you select the correct AMI that holding your backend application. And Select an instance type t2.micro

Select the key pair, and in the network setting just select the security group that we have created.

And then click on the Create launch template button.

We have created two launch templates, template-frontend-server and template-backend-server

Launch Templates (2) [Info](#)

Q Search

<input type="checkbox"/>	Launch Template ID ▾	Launch Template Name ▾	Default Version ▾	Latest Version ▾	Create Time ▾
<input type="checkbox"/>	lt-034e1d21761c53d77	templatebackend	1	1	2024-08-21T14:22:26.000Z
<input type="checkbox"/>	lt-040515adcad0695c5	templatefrontend	1	1	2024-08-21T14:20:36.000Z

Auto scaling group (ASG)

The auto-scaling group is the functionality of EC2 service that launches instances depending on your network traffic or CPU utilization or parameter that you set. It launches instances from the launch template.

Click on the Auto scaling group's button which is located at the bottom of the left panel. And then click on the Create auto scaling group button.

Give a name to your ASG. E.g. ASG-frontend. And select the launch template that we have created for frontend (e.g. templatefrontend) in the launch template field. And click on the next button.

Services Search [Alt+S]

Step 1
Choose launch template

Step 2
Choose instance launch options

Step 3 - optional
Configure advanced options

Step 4 - optional
Configure group size and scaling

Step 5 - optional
Add notifications

Step 6 - optional
Add tags

Step 7
Review

Choose launch template Info

Specify a launch template that contains settings common to all EC2 instances that are launched by this Auto Scaling group.

Name

Auto Scaling group name
Enter a name to identify the group.

ASG-frontend

Must be unique to this account in the current Region and no more than 255 characters.

Launch template Info

For accounts created after May 31, 2023, the EC2 console only supports creating Auto Scaling groups with launch templates. Creating Auto Scaling groups with launch configurations is not recommended but still available via the CLI and API until December 31, 2023.

Launch template
Choose a launch template that contains the instance-level settings, such as the Amazon Machine Image (AMI), instance type, key pair, and security groups.

templatefrontend

Create a launch template

Version
Default (1)

Create a launch template version

Description	Launch template	Instance type
templatefrontendserver	templatefrontend lt-040515adcad0695c5	t2.micro

In the network field, you have to choose VPC that we created earlier. And in AZs and subnet filed choose pri-sub-3a and pri-sub-4b. These subnets we have created for frontend servers. And click on the next button.

Instance type requirements Info

You can keep the same instance attributes or instance type from your launch template, or you can choose to override the launch template by specifying different instance attributes or manually adding instance types.

Launch template

Version

Description

templatefrontend

Default

templatefrontendserver

lt-040515adcad0695c5

Instance type

t2.micro

Network Info

For most applications, you can use multiple Availability Zones and let EC2 Auto Scaling balance your instances across the zones. The default VPC and default subnets are suitable for getting started quickly.

VPC

Choose the VPC that defines the virtual network for your Auto Scaling group.

vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 (Three_tier_vpc)

170.20.0.0/16

Create a VPC

Availability Zones and subnets

Define which Availability Zones and subnets your Auto Scaling group can use in the chosen VPC.

Select Availability Zones and subnets

us-east-1a | subnet-0756a1929e3aca659

(priv_sub_3a)

170.20.3.0/24

us-east-1b | subnet-03ca96c941cedcdb6

(priv_sub_4b)

170.20.4.0/24

On this page we need to attach ASG with ALB so select the Attach existing ALB option and select TG that we have created for frontend e.g. ALB-frontend-TG. And then scroll down and click on the NEXT button

Configure advanced options - *optional* Info

Integrate your Auto Scaling group with other services to distribute network traffic across multiple servers using a load balancer or to establish service-to-service communications using VPC Lattice. You can also set options that give you more control over health check replacements and monitoring.

Load balancing Info

Use the options below to attach your Auto Scaling group to an existing load balancer, or to a new load balancer that you define.

☐ No load balancer

Traffic to your Auto Scaling group will not be fronted by a load balancer.

☒ Attach to an existing load balancer

Choose from your existing load balancers.

☐ Attach to a new load balancer

Quickly create a basic load balancer to attach to your Auto Scaling group.

Attach to an existing load balancer

Select the load balancers that you want to attach to your Auto Scaling group.

☒ Choose from your load balancer target groups

This option allows you to attach Application, Network, or Gateway Load Balancers.

☐ Choose from Classic Load Balancers

Existing load balancer target groups:

Only instance target groups that belong to the same VPC as your Auto Scaling group are available for selection.

Select target groups

ALB-frontend-TG | HTTP

Application Load Balancer: ALB-frontend

Here you can set the capacity and scaling policy but now I am keeping 1, 1, and 1 to save cost but in real projects, it depends on the traffic. Click on the NEXT->next->next-> and create ASG button.

Group size Info

Set the initial size of the Auto Scaling group. After creating the group, you can change its size to meet demand, either manually or by using automatic scaling.

Desired capacity type

Choose the unit of measurement for the desired capacity value. vCPUs and Memory(GiB) are only supported for mixed instances groups configured with a set of instance attributes.

Units (number of instances) ▼

Desired capacity

Specify your group size.

1

Scaling Info

You can resize your Auto Scaling group manually or automatically to meet changes in demand.

Scaling limits

Set limits on how much your desired capacity can be increased or decreased.

Min desired capacity

1

Equal or less than desired capacity

Max desired capacity

1

Equal or greater than desired capacity

Automatic scaling - optional

Choose whether to use a target tracking policy Info

You can set up other metric-based scaling policies and scheduled scaling after creating your Auto Scaling group.

☒ **No scaling policies**

Your Auto Scaling group will remain at its initial size and will not dynamically resize to meet demand.

☐ **Target tracking scaling policy**

Choose a CloudWatch metric and target value and let the scaling policy adjust the desired capacity in proportion to the metric's value.

Let's set up ASG for the backend.

Give a name to your ASG. E.g. backendasg. And select the launch template that we have created for the backend (e.g. templatebackend) in the launch template field. And click on the next button.

In the network field, you have to choose VPC that we created earlier. And in AZ and subnet field choose pri-sub-5a and pri-sub-6b. These subnets we have created for backend servers. And click on the next button.

Choose instance launch options info

Choose the VPC network environment that your instances are launched into, and customize the instance types and purchase options.

Instance type requirements info

You can keep the same instance attributes or instance type from your launch template, or you can choose to override the launch template by specifying different instance attributes or manually adding instance types.

Launch template

templatebackend
lt-034e1d21761c53d77

Version

Default

Description

templatebackendserver

Instance type

t2.micro

Network info


For most applications, you can use multiple Availability Zones and let EC2 Auto Scaling balance your instances across the zones. The default VPC and default subnets are suitable for getting started quickly.

VPC

Choose the VPC that defines the virtual network for your Auto Scaling group.

vpc-086b0a9b227f89585 (T1Vpc_tier_vpc)

172.20.0.0/16




Create a VPC info

Availability Zones and subnets

Define which Availability Zones and subnets your Auto Scaling group can use in the chosen VPC.

Select Availability Zones and subnets



us-east-1a | subnet-00d3e7d7ac1001f14

(priv_sub_5a)

172.20.0.0/28

×

us-east-1b | subnet-0a9121152d1160281

(priv_sub_6b)

172.20.0.0/28

×

Create a subnet info

Cancel

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Select target groups

ALB-backend-TG | HTTP

Application Load Balancer: ALB-backend

Here you can set the capacity and scaling policy but I'm keeping 1, 1, 1 to save cost but in real projects, it depends on the traffic. Click on the NEXT->next->next-> and create ASG button.

Now, We have two ASGs, ASG-frontend will launch frontend servers and ASG-backend will launch backend servers.

EC2 > Auto Scaling groups

Auto Scaling groups (2) Info

🔍 Search your Auto Scaling groups

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Launch template/configuration	Instances
<input type="checkbox"/>	backendasg	templatebackend Version Default	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	frontendasg	templatefrontend Version Default	1

We need to initialize our database and need to create some tables. But we can't access the RDS instance or backend server directly coz they are in a private subnet. So we need to launch an instance in the same VPC but in the public subnet that instance is called bastion host or jump-server. And through that instance, we will log in to the backend server, and from the backend server we will initialize our database.

Click on the instance button on the left panel and click on the launch instance button in the top right corner.

Give a name to the instance (bastion-jump-server). Select Ubuntu as OS, instance type t2.micro, and select Key pair. In all the instance and launch template we have used only **one key** so it will be easy to login in any instance. And then click on the Edit button of the Network setting.

In the network setting select VPC that we have created and in the subnet select pub-sub-1a, you can select any public subnet from the VPC. And then select security group. And click on the launch instance.

Once the instance becomes healthy, we can SSH into it. So select the instance and copy its public IP. Open Git bash or terminal in which folder your key.pem file is present and connect

Now copy the pem file to ubuntu server and give permission to connect the backend server which is in private subnet

Now type the below command to login into the Bastion host. And copy the public IP of the Bastion host.

```
ssh -i <name_of_your_key>.pem ubuntu@<Public_IP_add_of_instance>
```

We are successfully logged in inside the bastion host.

Create a file of your pem

Give permissions: `chmod 400 keypair.pem`

Ssh `keypair.pem ubuntu@<frontend/backend server private ip>`

```
ubuntu@ip-170-20-1-208:~$ vi ramani.pem
ubuntu@ip-170-20-1-208:~$ chmod 400 ramani.pem
ubuntu@ip-170-20-1-208:~$ ssh -i "ramani.pem" ubuntu@170.20.4.70
Welcome to Ubuntu 24.04 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.8.0-1012-aws x86_64)

* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support:        https://ubuntu.com/pro

System information as of Wed Aug 21 14:46:41 UTC 2024
```


Now we you have login into the frontend server

Run below script:

```
#!/bin/bash

sudo apt update -y

sleep 90

sudo systemctl start apache2.service
```

Type the below command to log in to the backend server.

`ssh -i key.pem ubuntu@<Private_IP_add_backend_server>`

```
--r----- 1 ubuntu ubuntu 1675 Aug 21 14:45 ramani.pem
ubuntu@bastion-server:~$ ssh -i "ramani.pem" ubuntu@170.20.6.22
The authenticity of host '170.20.6.22 (170.20.6.22)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:cWno2yvu2DT6Ab91QmoAUkgnys/2mzufQ9ZNz4yw3I.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '170.20.6.22' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
Welcome to Ubuntu 24.04 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.8.0-1012-aws x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/pro

System information as of Wed Aug 21 14:54:39 UTC 2024
```

Now we are logged in inside the backend server. Just go into `aws_three_tier_project/backend` directory

```
cd aws_three_tier_project/backend
```

```
ubuntu@ip-170-20-6-22:~$ cd aws_three_tier_project/backend/
ubuntu@ip-170-20-6-22:~/aws_three_tier_project/backend$ pwd
/home/ubuntu/aws_three_tier_project/backend
ubuntu@ip-170-20-6-22:~/aws_three_tier_project/backend$
```

We need to install one package type below the command

```
#!/bin/bash

sudo apt update -y
```

sleep 150

sudo pm2 startup

sudo env PATH=\$PATH:/usr/bin

/usr/local/share/.config/yarn/global/node_modules/pm2/bin/pm2 startup systemd -u ubuntu --hp /home/ubuntu

sudo systemctl start pm2-root

sudo systemctl enable pm2-root

sudo apt install mysql-server -y



And type the below command to initialize the database.

mysql -h book.rds.com -u <user_name_of_rds> -p<password_of_rds> test < test.sql



Route 53

Amazon Route 53 is a highly available and scalable Domain Name System (DNS) web service.

If you try to access the web app using ALB-frontend DNS then you won't see the website in functional mode because our frontend or loaded static pages try to call the API from your browser on the domain name [https://api.<Your_Domain_name>.xyz](https://api.b13facebook.xyz) in my case, <https://api.b13facebook.xyz>

And that record we didn't add yet in our domain name.

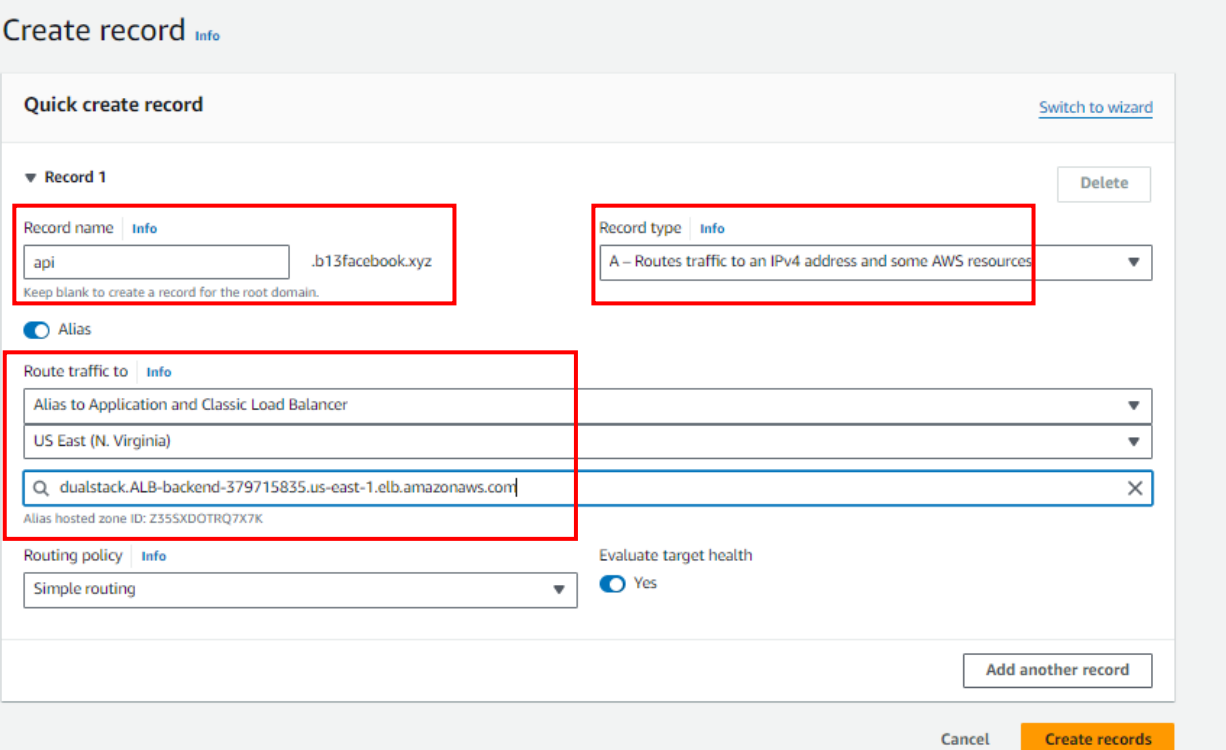
Head over to route 53 service.

Here in the record name field write api so that our record name becomes api.<Your_Domain_name>.xyz in my case, it is api. b13facebook.xyz

In the record type field select “A”

Firstly Select Alias to application and classic Load balancer from the drop-down list, secondly, select us-east-1 as a region. And in the below drop-down list select DNS of the ALB-backend.

Click on create record button.



Create record [Info](#)

Quick create record [Switch to wizard](#)

▼ Record 1 [Delete](#)

Record name [Info](#)
api .b13facebook.xyz
Keep blank to create a record for the root domain.

Record type [Info](#)
A – Routes traffic to an IPv4 address and some AWS resources ▼

☒ Alias

Route traffic to [Info](#)

Alias to Application and Classic Load Balancer ▼
US East (N. Virginia) ▼
Q dualstack.ALB-backend-379715835.us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com X
Alias hosted zone ID: Z35SXDOTRQ7X7K

Routing policy [Info](#)
Simple routing ▼




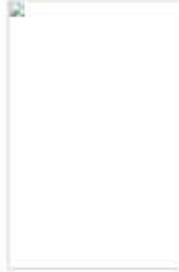
Evaluate target health
☒ Yes

[Add another record](#)

[Cancel](#) [Create records](#)

Not secure http://alb-frontend-1912915164.us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com/

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Create the records for alb frontend dns to secure the server

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☒ Alias

Route traffic to [Info](#)

Alias to Application and Classic Load Balancer

US East (N. Virginia)

Alias hosted zone ID: Z355XDTRQ7X7K

Routing policy [Info](#) Simple routing

Evaluate target health ☒ Yes

[Add another record](#)

[Cancel](#) [Create records](#)



Resource cleanup

✓ RDS

- RDS instance (takes a lot of time)

✓ Route 53

- Delete private hosted zone (rds.com)
- Delete all records in the public hosted zone

✓ EC2

- Delete ASG
- Terminate Bastion host
- Delete ALB
- Delete TG
- Delete the Launch template
- Deregister AMIs which are created manually

✓ **ACM**

- Delete the certificate

✓ **VPC**

- Delete NAT gateways (takes around 5 minutes)
- Release the Elastic IP
- Delete VPC in both regions (17 resources will be deleted on one click)