

# **AWS Database Services**

## Module 4

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Various databases that are provided by the Amazon Web Services(AWS) are :

- Amazon DynamoDB
- Amazon Aurora
- Amazon Relational Database Service
- Amazon Timestream
- Amazon Neptune
- Amazon Quantum Ledger Database (QLDB)
- Amazon RDS on VMware

# Amazon DynamoDB

Amazon DynamoDB is the NoSQL database service provided by amazon which is fully managed and automated.

NoSQL means that you don't have to write queries to create a table or retrieve the data you can do so by some clicks to create a dynamic table which means you can add any amount of attributes, columns and store the data.

The main advantage of using this is that it is **fully managed** and it **automatically handles the traffic of data on the multiple servers and gives the optimum performance** and you don't have to lookup for the underlying hardware, setup, configuration, scaling is all managed by the amazon. It also automatically backup and restore that provides the security of data.

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The feature provided by the amazon which is commendable is that according to your need of data or traffic **it automatically scale up and scale down you don't have to look upon the underlying servers or their maintenance** and according to the usage you have you used it charges accordingly and also there are no minimum charges for the usage.

According to the AWS, DynamoDB can handle 20 trillion of the request per day and also can handle the peak of the traffic up to 20 million per second which is huge and commendable.

Because of its advantageous features, many large companies Lyft, Airbnb, and Redfin as well as enterprises such as Samsung, Toyota, and Capital One transferred their workloads to DynamoDB.

## Amazon Aurora

**Aurora** is AWS's **managed relational database engine**. It speaks **standard SQL** and is **compatible with MySQL and PostgreSQL**, so apps, drivers, and tools that work with those engines usually work with Aurora with little or no code change.

## **Amazon Aurora**

Amazon Aurora supports MySQL and PostgreSQL which is a relational database engine provided by the Amazon web service.

It means that code, applications, and drivers are used in the database. You have to write proper queries for creating tables and storing data in it as you do in MySQL. Aurora charges minimal or no charges for using this. It is five times faster than the actual MySQL and three times faster than the actual PostgreSQL. It can auto-scale up to 64 TB per database instance.

There are certain features of MySQL that are not provided by the Aurora such as the MyISAM storage engine. Using extensions you can communicate between two or more databases of Aurora and can move your databases across aurora and your local engine which is also a feature of this.

# Amazon Aurora

**The main advantage is speed, security, and availability which is done by replicating data over three availability zones.**

It provides the feature of **self-healing** i.e. it performs the automatic error scanning of your data and the blocks and also provides fault tolerance i.e it provides the ability to continue operating without interruption when there is a fault in one or more component.

It also provides **autoscaling**, according to your database size it scales out and scales down you don't have to worry about the servers or their charges just have to pay what you are using.

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Amazon Relational Database Service (Amazon RDS) on VMware allows you to deploy the database on the VMware environment using the Amazon RDS technology.

It allows you to work on the same simple interface, same database with the same environment on-premise you will not face any type of difference in that. It enables you to set up, configure, and operate your relational database on the cloud within a few clicks

It also supports MySQL, PostgreSQL, and the Microsoft SQL server database. It is also fully managed and doesn't have to look upon the provisioning, the configuration of the hardware or the managements all are automated.

## **Amazon RDS on VMware**

For security purposes and the high availability features it also backs up its data.

Having RDS on-site makes it very easy for you to operate and integrate Amazon RDS on VMware within your existing VMware vSphere private data centers.

There are some prerequisites to use this: you will need to have Administrative privileges on the cluster to set up RDS on VMware. You will also need to have a second set of credentials for use by RDS on VMware And the hardware that you use for the RDS should be registered in the valid VMware Hardware Compatibility Guide.

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Amazon Timestream is optimized to assess, query, and store timestream data by storing data in a set of time intervals, ranging from milliseconds, microseconds, and even nanoseconds.

Other features that provide the ability to automatically configure retention, tiering, and data compression. It is much faster than the other relational databases. It can handle the trillions of the request every single day which helps in the reduction of the cost and also it is much faster than the other databases.

All the features combined provided the cost reduction. **The data stored by the time stream database can later be used for the business intelligence tools and machine learning services.**

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The features provided by the Neptune is high-performance data graph and maintaining billions of the relationship of data with very ease and with very low latency.

To make the data available it continuously replicates all its data to amazon s3 and other availability zones for the security purpose also and for higher availability also.

It is also fully managed, the user doesn't have to look upon the underlying hardware or provisioning and also provides the feature of autoscaling so that you will never run out of space and pay only for what you use.

It was developed to address the limitation of the relational database and to solve or make work more efficient for the complex data.

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It's a new type of database which is provided by the amazon which focuses on the ledger so that you can focus more on the development of data rather than its managing technique.

It keeps the record at one place which is easy to retrieve and work upon and can focus more on analyzing and solving issues. it has been adopted by many of the large enterprises and businesses such as Wipro, Splunk, sage, etc.

It also cryptographically verify the data integrity as a security feature

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# RDS Multi-AZ Deployments

In an Amazon RDS Multi-AZ deployment, Amazon RDS **automatically creates a primary database (DB) instance and synchronously replicates the data to an instance in a different AZ.**

When it detects a failure, Amazon RDS automatically fails over to a standby instance without manual intervention.



Create and connect your Amazon RDS instance



Standby instance in AZ 2

Transaction is acknowledged



Primary writer instance in AZ 1

Transaction is committed

Amazon RDS deploys two database instances in different AZs with 2nd instance in standby



**Amazon EBS**

The write is then written to the standby DB instance



**Amazon EBS**

When there is a new write it is sent to an Amazon EBS volume attached to the primary



Data is successfully written to both EBS volumes. Response sent that writes were successful



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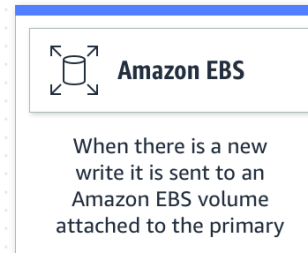
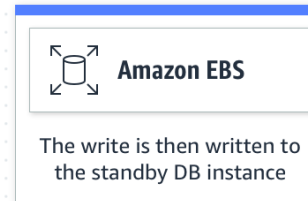


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Primary writer instance in AZ 1

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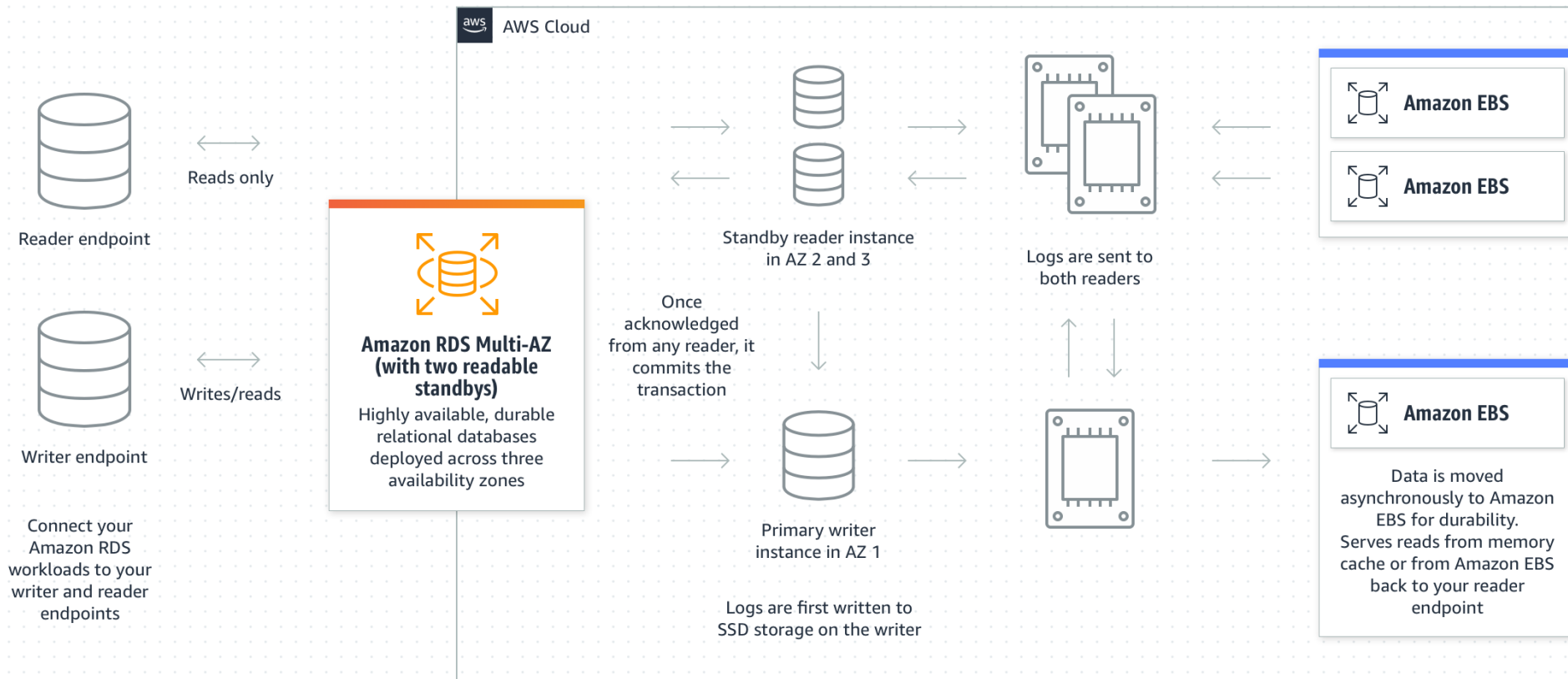


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## **Amazon RDS Multi-AZ with two readable standbys**

Deploy highly available, durable MySQL or PostgreSQL databases in three AZs using Amazon RDS Multi-AZ with two readable standbys.

**Gain automatic failovers in typically under 35 seconds, up to 2x faster transaction commit latency compared to Amazon RDS Multi-AZ with one standby, additional read capacity, and a choice of AWS Graviton2– or Intel–based instances for compute.**



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Whenever an application creates, updates, or deletes items in the table, DynamoDB Streams writes a stream record with the primary key attributes of the items that were modified. A stream record contains information about a data modification to a single item in a DynamoDB table.

DynamoDB Streams helps ensure the following:

- Each stream record appears exactly once in the stream.
- For each item that is modified in a DynamoDB table, the stream records appear in the same sequence as the actual modifications to the item.

**DynamoDB Streams writes stream records in near-real time so that you can build applications that consume these streams and take action based on the contents.**