Deploy Java Application on AWS 3-Tier Architecture

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Goal of this project is to deploy scalable, highly available and secured Java application on 3-tier architecture and provide application access to the end users from public internet.

Pre-Requisites

- 1. Create AWS Free Tier account
- 2. Create a Bitbucket account and create a repository to keep Java source code.
- 3. Migrate Java Source Code to your own Bitbucket repository
- 4. Create an account in Sonarcloud.
- 5. Create an account in Jfrog cloud.

Pre-deployment

1. Create Global AMI

a. AWS CLI

This is installed by default on Amazon Linux 2023

b. Cloudwatch agent

So let's install CloudWatch agent.

Lets connect with ssh to our EC2 machine then:

```
# sudo yum install amazon-cloudwatch-agent
```

Run this cloudwatch config wizard and select the defaults, but ensure to select the memory option when prompted and the cwagent user

#/opt/aws/amazon-cloudwatch-agent/bin/amazon-cloudwatch-agent-config-w
izard

Start the cloudwatch agent

```
#/opt/aws/amazon-cloudwatch-agent/bin/amazon-cloudwatch-agent-ctl -a
fetchconfig -m ec2 -c
file:/opt/aws/amazon-cloudwatch-agent/bin/config.json -s
```

Verify the cloudwatch agent is running:

systemctl status amazon-cloudwatch-agent.service

To Push custom memory metrics to Cloudwatch, attach an IAM role to the instance with this AWS managed policy named **CloudWatchFullAccess**

c. Install AWS SSM agent

This is already installed by default on Amazon Linux 2023. You can test it by attaching a IAM role **AmazonSSMFullAccess** and connect to the EC2 AWS console

Once all the components are installed we can build an image as global AMI.

2. Create Golden AMI using Global AMI for Nginx application

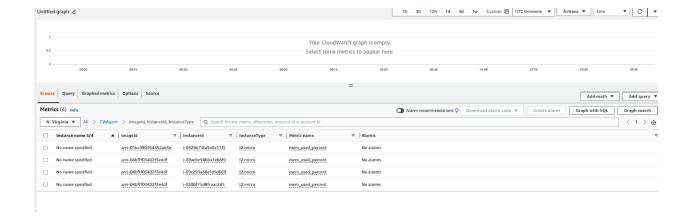
a. Install Nginx

sudo dnf install nginx -y

b. Push custom memory metrics to Cloudwatch

To push custom memory metrics to cloudwatch the role that we talk about above need to be added to the ec2 machine

On Cloudwatch a new metric will be available: **CWagent** And you will get metrics get from the EC2 instances.



3. Create Golden AMI using Global AMI for Apache Tomcat application a. Install Apache Tomcat

```
# wget
https://downloads.apache.org/tomcat/tomcat-9/v9.0.41/bin/apache-tomcat
-9.0.41.tar.gz
# tar -xvf /root/apache-tomcat-9.0.41.tar.gz
# mv apache-tomcat-9.0.41 tomcat9mv tomcat9 /usr/local
# useradd -r tomcat
# chown -R tomcat:tomcat /usr/local/tomcat9
```

b. Configure Tomcat as Systemd service

```
sudo tee /etc/systemd/system/tomcat.service<<EOF</pre>
[Unit]
Description=Tomcat Server
After=syslog.target network.target
[Service]
Type=forking
User=tomcat
Group=tomcat
Environment=CATALINA_HOME=/usr/local/tomcat9
Environment=CATALINA_BASE=/usr/local/tomcat9
Environment=CATALINA_PID=/usr/local/tomcat9/temp/tomcat.pid
ExecStart=/usr/local/tomcat9/bin/catalina.sh start
ExecStop=/usr/local/tomcat9/bin/catalina.sh stop
RestartSec=12
Restart=always
[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target
```

Reload tomcat service

sudo systemctl daemon-reload

Restart/Start tomcat service

sudo systemctl start tomcat

Check tomcat service status

systemctl status tomcat.service

c. Install JDK 11

sudo dnf install java-11-amazon-corretto-devel.x86 64

d. Push custom memory metrics to Cloudwatch.

We build the tomcat9 base on the global AMI, so cloudwatch agent is already installed.

Finally we check on our browser the Tomcat Server GUI via http://[AWS EC2 Public IP]:8080

- 4. Create Golden AMI using Global AMI for Apache Maven Build Tool
 - a. Install Apache Maven

```
# wget
```

https://downloads.apache.org/maven/maven-<Maven_Version>/binaries/apache-maven-<Maven Version>-bin.tar.gz

```
# tar -xzvf apache-maven-<Maven Version>-bin.tar.gz
```

mv apache-maven-<Maven Version> /opt/

b. Install Git

```
# yum install -y git
```

c. Install JDK 11

```
# sudo yum install java-11-amazon-corretto-devel
```

#java -version

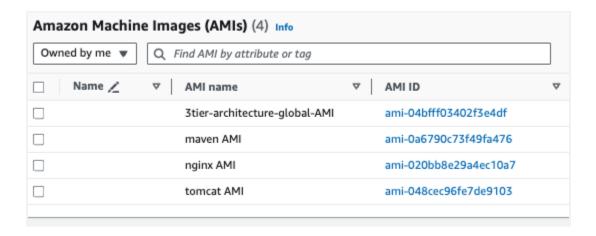
d. Update Maven Home to the system PATH environment variable

```
# export
```

PATH='/opt/apache-maven-<version>':'/opt/apache-maven-<version>/bin':\$

```
#mvn -version
```

Custom AMI should be created as follow:



VPC Deployment

1. VPC (Network Setup)

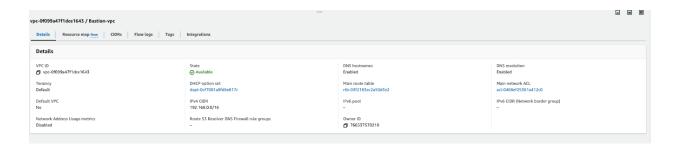
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- C. Create NAT Gateway in Public Subnet and update Private Subnet associated Route Table accordingly to route the default traffic to NAT for outbound internet connection.
- d. Create Transit Gateway and associate both VPCs to the Transit Gateway for private communication.
- e. Create Internet Gateway for each VPC and update Public Subnet associated Route Table accordingly to route the default traffic to IGW for inbound/outbound internet connection.

2. Bastion

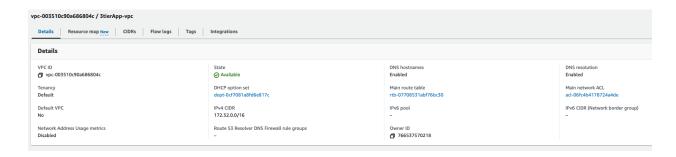
- a. Deploy Bastion Host in the Public Subnet with EIP associated.
- b. Create Security Group allowing port 22 from public internet

Infrastructure Solution

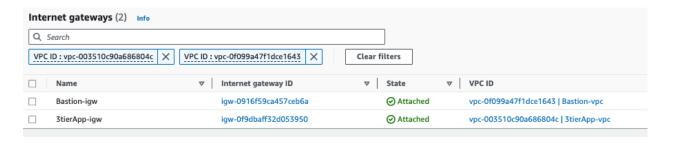
Bastion VPC:



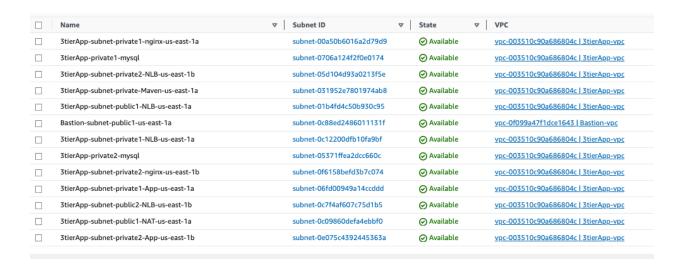
3tierApp VPC:



We need to create 2 IG for Bastion and 3tierApp VPC

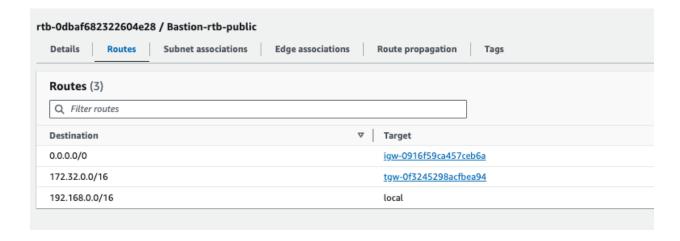


- 1 public subnet is create for the Bastion VPC because the purpose of the Bastion VPC is to accept connection from internet. Once a user is connected to the bastion, the user will connect to 3tierApp VPC via transit gateway
- 3tierApp VPC will have several privates and publics VPC



- 1 public route table for bastion VPC
- 2 route table for 3tierApp VPC: private and public

Bastion route table:

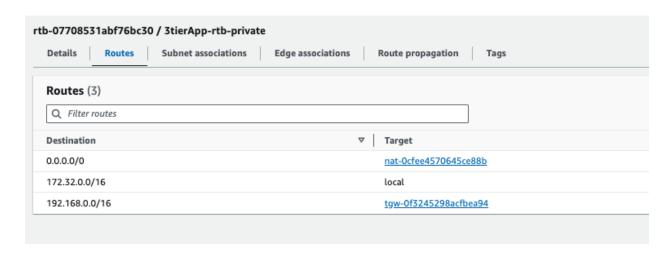


Bastion route table should include the transit gateway associated to the 3tierApp CIDR Bastion subnet is a public subnet, so we associate the IG to 0.0.0.0/0

Bastion route table subnet associations:



3tierApp private route table:

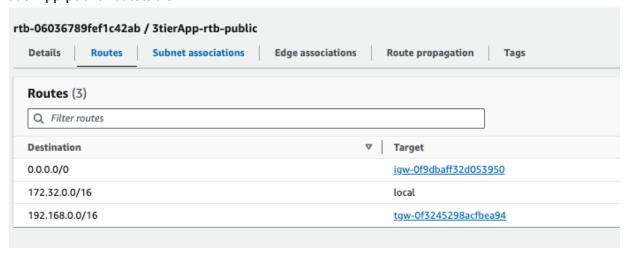


The private routetable should associate the transit gateway with the Bastion VPC CIDR The NAT gateway should be associated to 0.0.0.0/0 because this routetable is associated with a private subnet. Private subnets cannot access directly to internet. External resources cannot access to private subnets, but resources inside the private subnets can access internet to make update for example.

3tierApp private route table subnet associations:

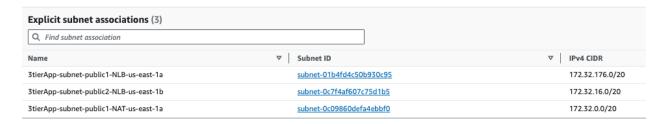
Name	♥ Subnet ID	▼ IPv4 CIDR
3tierApp-subnet-private-Maven-us-east-1a	subnet-031952e7801974ab8	172.32.96.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private1-nginx-us-east-1a	subnet-00a50b6016a2d79d9	172.32.128.0/20
3tierApp-private1-mysql	subnet-0706a124f2f0e0174	172.32.80.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private1-NLB-us-east-1a	subnet-0c12200dfb10fa9bf	172.32.160.0/20
3tierApp-private2-mysql	subnet-05371ffea2dcc660c	172.32.112.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private2-nginx-us-east-1b	subnet-0f6158befd3b7c074	172.32.144.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private1-App-us-east-1a	subnet-06fd00949a14ccddd	172.32.48.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private2-App-us-east-1b	subnet-0e075c4392445363a	172.32.64.0/20
3tierApp-subnet-private2-NLB-us-east-1b	subnet-05d104d93a0213f5e	172.32.32.0/20

3tierApp public routetable

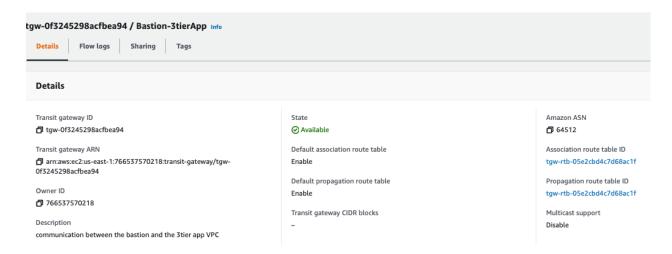


Public route table associate transit gateway with the Bastion VPC CIDR.

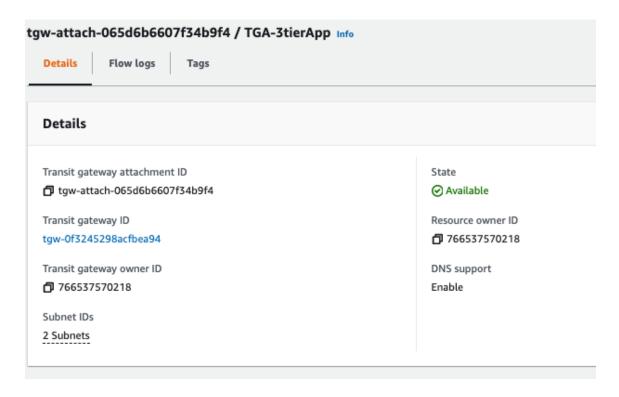
3tierApp public route table subnets association:

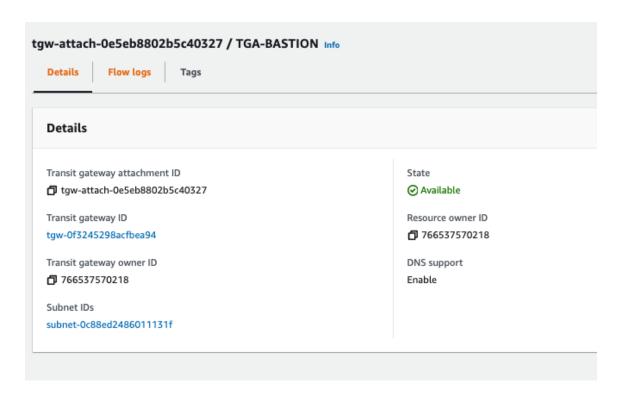


Transit gateway provides a hub to connect VPC and on-premise network to VPC



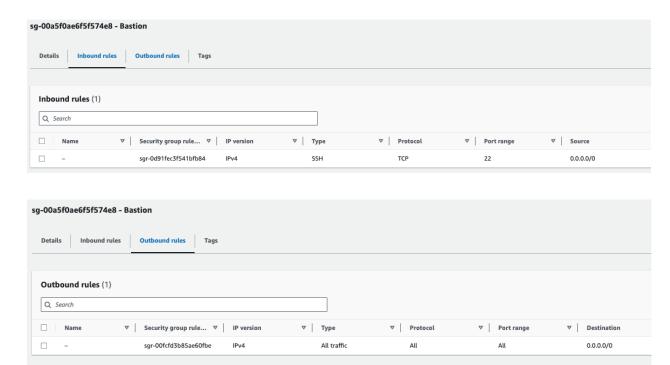
Then we will attach 2 transit gateway attachment to link bastion and 3tierApp VPC:





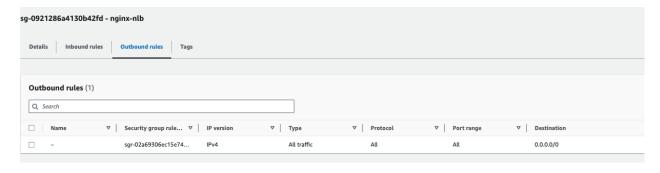
We also configure SG:

Bastion SG:

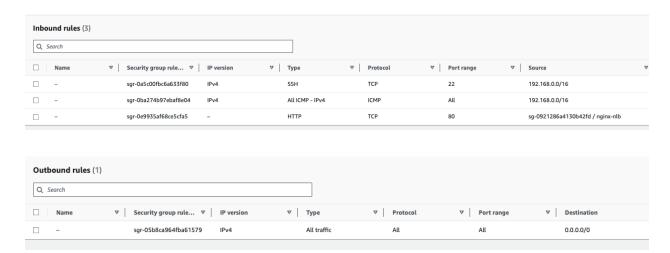


Nginx NLB SG:

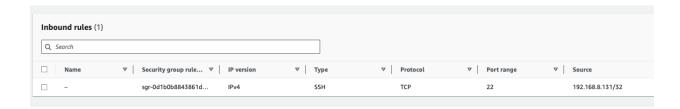


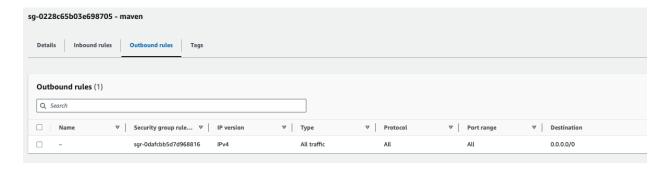


Nginx EC2 SG:

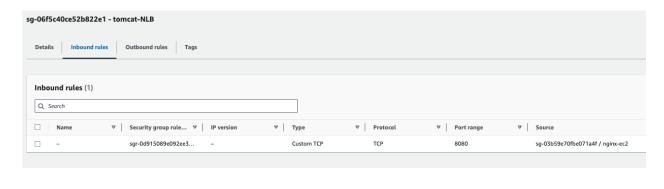


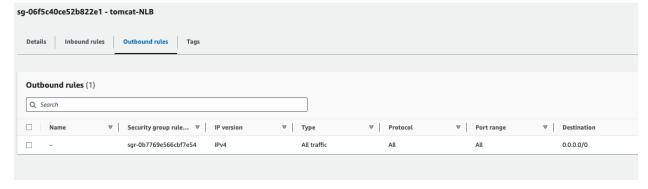
Maven SG:



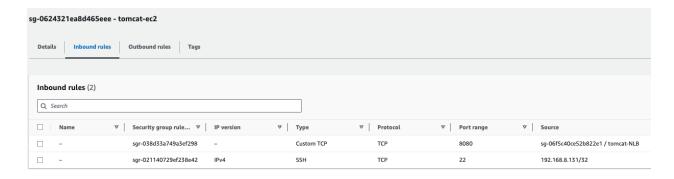


Tomcat NLB SG:





Tomcat EC2 SG:

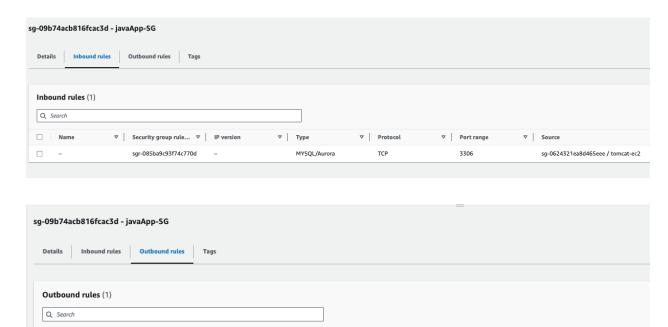




RDS mysql SG:

Name

_ -



▽ | Type

All traffic

 $\triangledown \quad | \quad {\sf Security \ group \ rule...} \quad \triangledown \quad | \quad {\sf IP \ version}$

IPv4

sgr-08fa838f00481746b

▽ | Protocol

All

▽ Port range

All

▼ Destination

0.0.0.0/0

Maven Build

1. Create EC2 instance using Maven Golden AMI

Maven instance is launched in 3tierApp VPC, in a private subnet:



2. Clone Bitbucket repository to VSCode and update the pom.xml with Sonar and JFROG deployment details.

I forked instructor's repo and cloned from my bitbucket repo

```
# git clone remote_url && cd java-login-app
# git branch feature
# git checkout feature
```

For sonarcloud integration

- create an organization and a project in sonar cloud account.
- After which, instructions are provided for integration. Execute them on maven ec2 instance.
- Amongst other instructions this includes updating the pom.xml with organization name and sonar host url as shown below

For jfrog integration:

- First create a repository on jfrog.
- Afterwards use the 'Quick Setup" option to generate deployment configuration.
- Click 'set me up' for your 'local' type repo. I=In this case, local repo is named 'assignment-libs-release-local'.
- click "deploy" tab on jfrog Web UI. This generates configuration to use at maven to upload generated artifact to jfrog local respository.
- Afterwards update the pom.xml file with generated distributionManagement config.

- 3. Add settings.xml file to the root folder of the repository with the JFROG credentials and JFROG repo to resolve the dependencies.
- To generate settings.xml, use the 'Quick Setup" option in jfrog
- Select 'default-maven-virtual' repo for downloading dependencies
- Click 'configure' using 'default-maven-virtual' repo
- A settings configuration for maven to connect to jfrog and download dependencies is auto-generated
- Place configuration in /root/.m2/settings.xml file on maven instance Settings.xml file should include credentials and reference to default-mavenvirtual jfrog repo.
- Update application.properties file with JDBC connection string to authenticate with MySQL.
- 5. Push the code changes to feature branch of Bitbucket repository

Push all changes in the feature branch

6. Raise Pull Request to approve the PR and Merge the changes to Master branch.

Accept the PR and merge with master

7. Login to EC2 instance and clone the <u>Bitbucket repository</u>

```
# git clone remote repo url && cd java-login-app
```

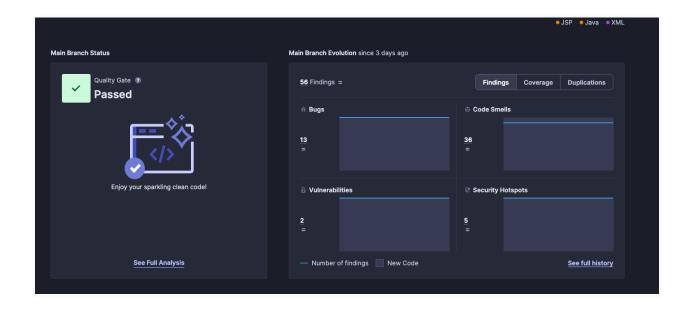
8. Build the source code using maven arguments "-s settings.xml"

```
# mvn -s ~/.m2/settings.xml deploy
```

9. Integrate Maven build with Sonar Cloud and generate analysis dashboard with default Quality Gate profile.

Export environment variable and run mvn verify command

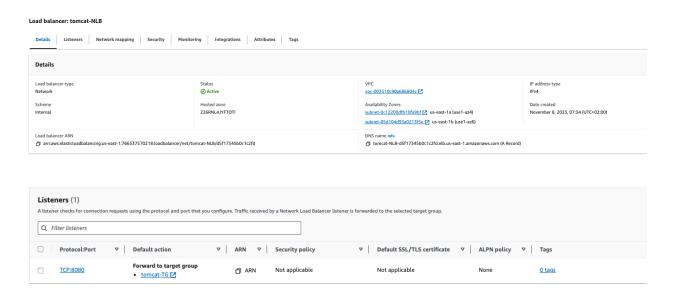
```
# export SONAR_TOKEN=xxxxxxxxx
# mvn verify org.sonarsource.scanner.maven:sonar-maven-plugin:sonar -
Dsonar.projectKey=assignment5
```



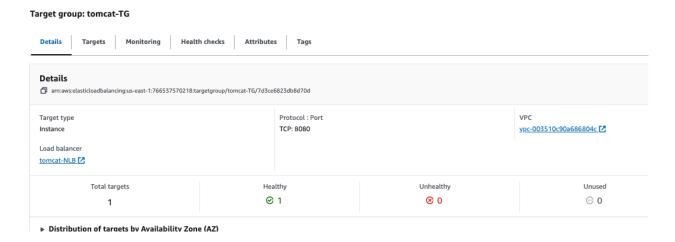
Tomcat Backend

1. Create private facing Network Load Balancer and Target Group.

The tomcat NLB is on the 3tierApp VPC on private subnet.



App target group:



- 2. Create Launch Configuration with below configuration.
 - 1. Tomcat Golden AMI
 - 2. User Data to deploy .war artifact from JFROG into webapps folder.
 - 3. Security Group allowing Port 22 from Bastion Host and Port 8080 from private NLB.

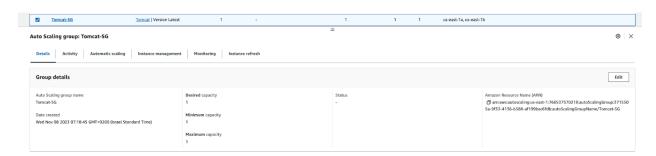
When creating the launch template we need to specify:

- the Tomcat Golden AMI
- Keypair
- Security group
- User data
- Role to give permission to the EC2 machine to access S3, cloudwatch and Session Manager



3. Create Auto Scaling Group

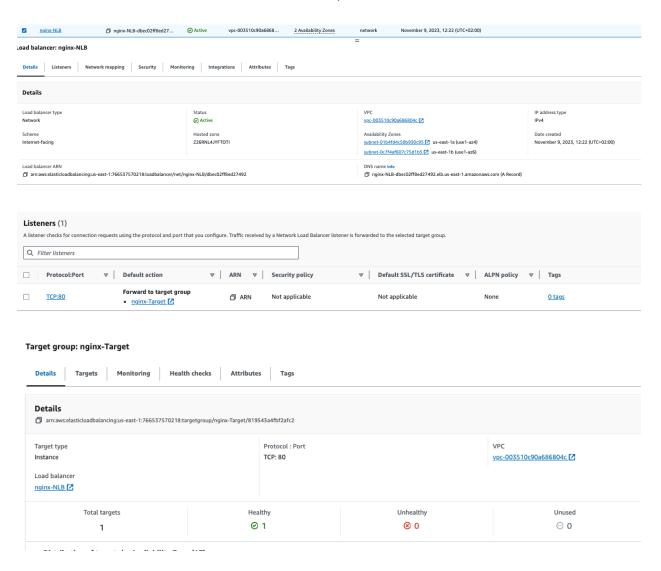
Create an ASG for the tomcat that defines the number of ec2 that will be run. Set the Tracking scaling policy that will scale the load if the cpu utilization is too high.



Nginx (Frontend)

1. Create a public facing Network Load Balancer and Target Group.

Create a network load balancer with a listener on port 80

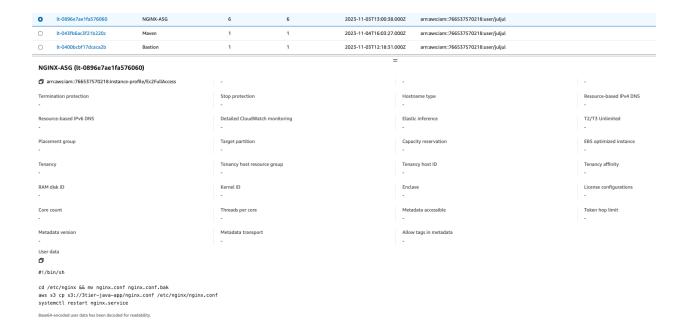


- 2. Create Launch Configuration with below configuration
 - Nginx Golden AMI
 - User Data to update proxy_pass rules in nginx.conf file and reload nginx service.
 - Security Group allowing Port 22 from Bastion Host and Port 80 from Public NLB.

Nginx.conf file is updated:

```
location / {
    proxy_pass http://tomcat-NLB-d5f17345b0c1c2fd.elb.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/dptweb-1.0/;
}
```

Proxy_pass value should have the tomcat network load balancer (backend of the app).



3. Create Auto Scaling Group



Application Deployment

- 1. Artifact deployment taken care by User Data script during Application tier EC2 instance launch process.
- Login to MySQL database from Application Server using MySQL CLI client and create database and table schema to store the user login data (Instructions are update in README.md file in the Bitbucket repo)

Login to tomcat server, install mysql client and configure DB schema

```
# sudo dnf install mariadb105-server

# mysql -u admin -p -h
javaapp-db1.cmvadjxoeeuc.us-east-1.rds.amazonaws.com
# create database UserDB;
# use UserDB;
```

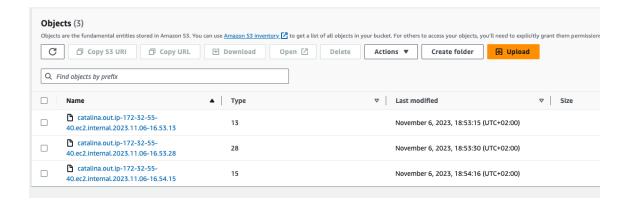
```
# CREATE TABLE Employee (id int unsigned auto_increment not null,
first_name varchar(250), last_name varchar(250), email varchar(250),
username varchar(250), password varchar(250), regdate timestamp,
primary key (id) );
```

Post Deployment

 Configure Cronjob to push the Tomcat Application log data to S3 bucket and also rotate the log data to remove the log data on the server after the data pushed to S3 Bucket.

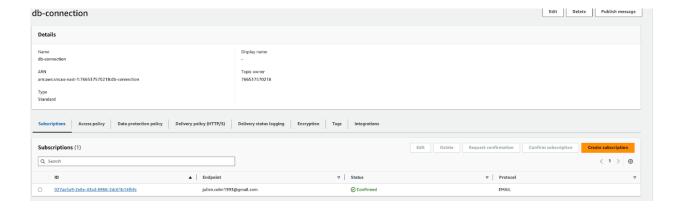
```
#!/bin/sh
cd /opt/apache-tomcat-8.5.73/logs/
file_name="catalina.out"
current_time=$(date "+%Y.%m.%d-%H.%M.%S")
servername=$(hostname)
new_filename=$file_name.$servername.$current_time
aws s3 cp /usr/local/tomcat9/logs/catalina.out s3://3tier-java-app/tomcatlogs/$new_filename
```

Logs are pushed in the S3 bucket:

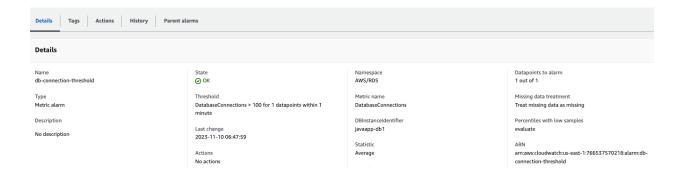


2. Configure Cloudwatch alarms to send E-Mail notification when database connections are more than 100 threshold.

Below the SNS topic used to send en email each time the threshold is reached.



Cloudwatch alarm created if more that 100 connections are performed on the DB, an email will be sent



Validation

1. Verify you as an administrator able to login to EC2 instances from session manager & from Bastion Host.

SSH from bastion to EC2 instances in 3tierApp is working

From session manager:

2. Verify if you as an end user able to access application from public internet browser.

When I requested the nginx load balancer I got the tomcat app.

The nginx load balancer redirect to the tomcat load balancer thanks to proxy_pass.

	Login Page
Username	^
Password	
Login	Reset
New User Register Here	

Then I am able to login with:

