

Module 9 - Challenge Lab: Creating a Scalable and Highly Available Environment for the Café

Task 1: Inspecting your environment

Answer the questions:

AWS Academy Cloud Architecting - Module 9 Challenge Lab Questions

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Question 1: Which ports are open in the CafeSG security group?

- ☐ Ports 80 and 443
- ☒ Port 80
- ☐ Ports 80, 443, and 3899
- ☐ Ports 22, 80, and 443

Question 2: Can you connect from the internet to instances in *Public Subnet 1*?

- ☒ Yes - If the instance has a public IP address, and the security group and network ACL allow it
- ☐ No - The public subnet has no internet gateway
- ☐ No - The public subnet has no NAT gateway configured for it
- ☐ No - The network access control list (network ACL) prevents any inbound traffic from the internet

Question 3: Should an instance in *Private Subnet 1* be able to reach the internet?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Question 4: Should an instance in *Private Subnet 2* be able to reach the internet?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Question 5: Can you connect to the *CafeWebAppServer* instance from the internet?

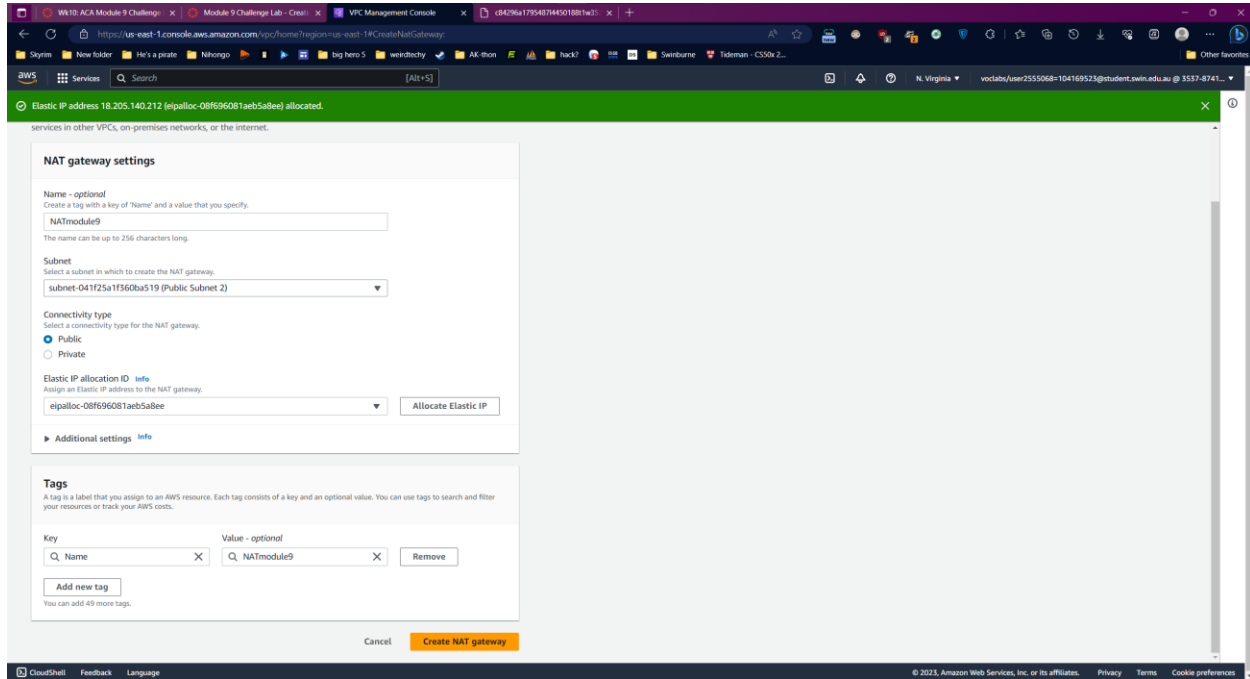
- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Question 6: What is the name of the Amazon Machine Image (AMI)?

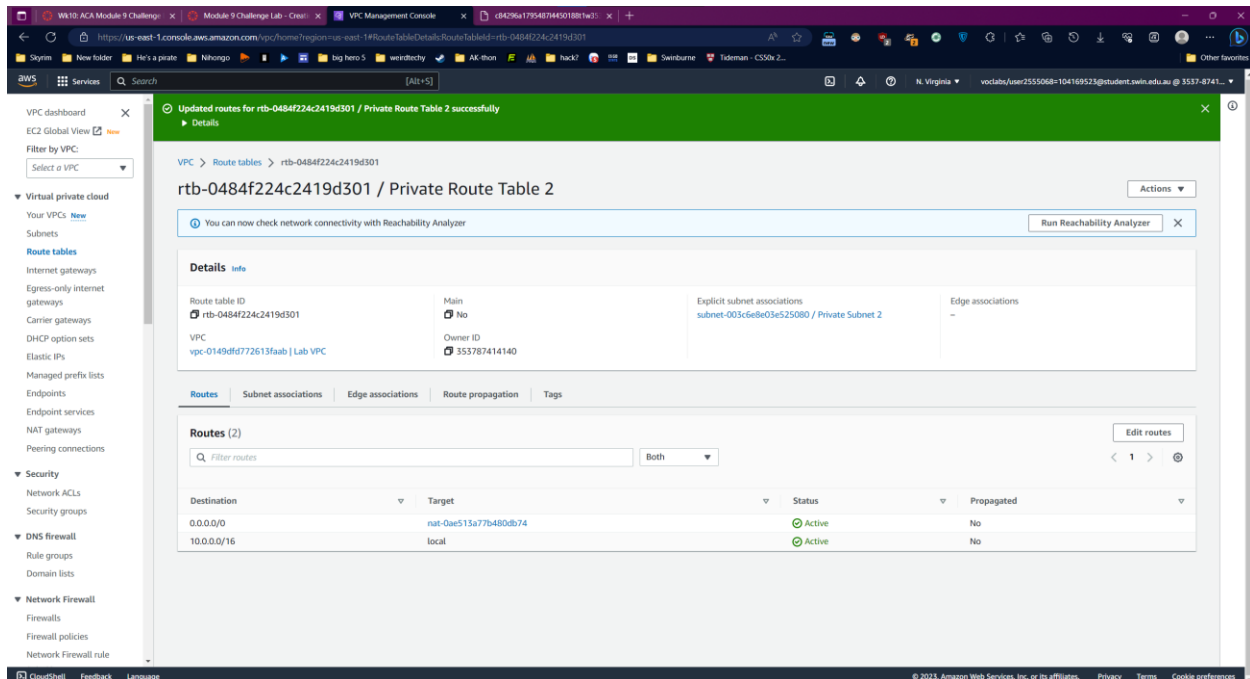
- ☐ Amazon Linux
- ☐ WebServerAMI
- ☒ Cafe WebServer Image
- ☐ My Amazing Image

Task 2: Creating a NAT gateway for the second Availability Zone

Create a NAT gateway

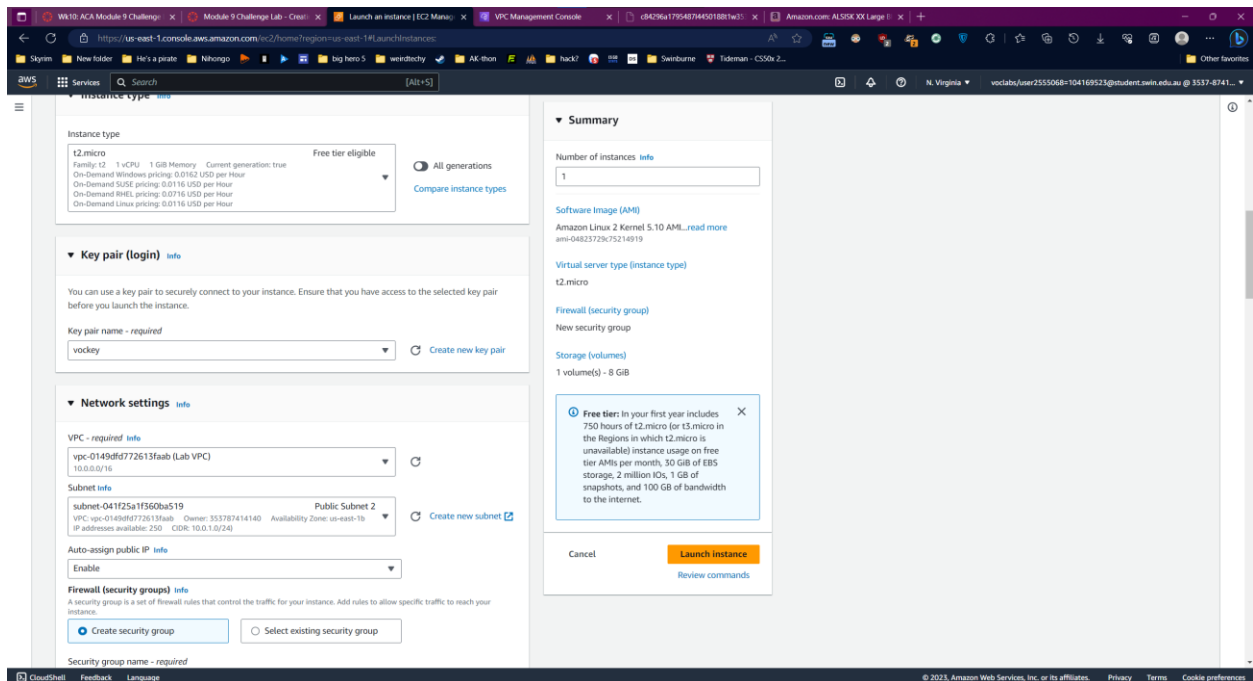
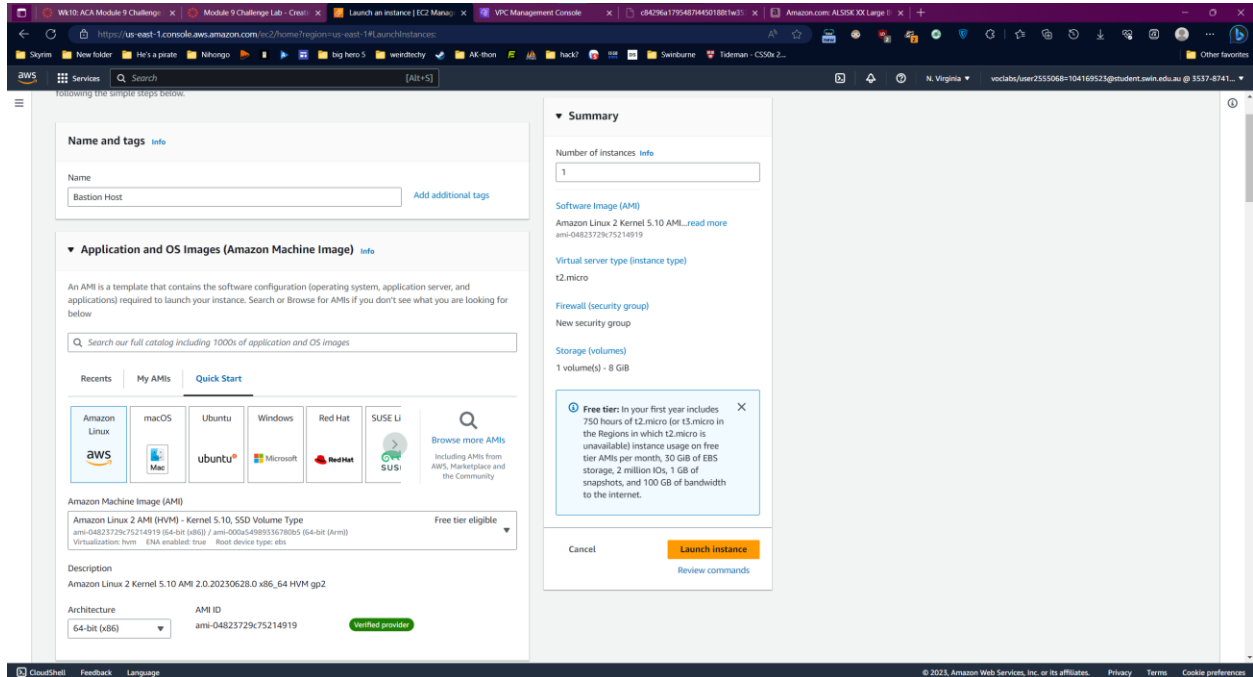


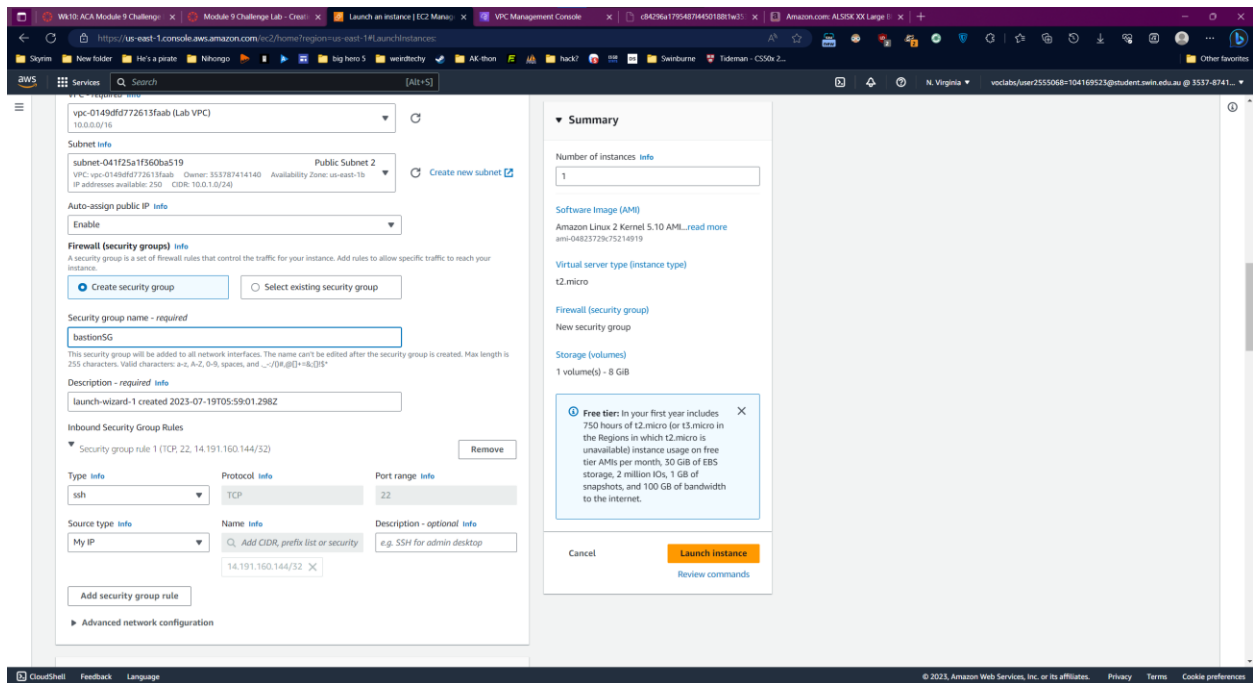
Update the Private Route table 2:



Task 3: Creating a bastion host instance in a public subnet

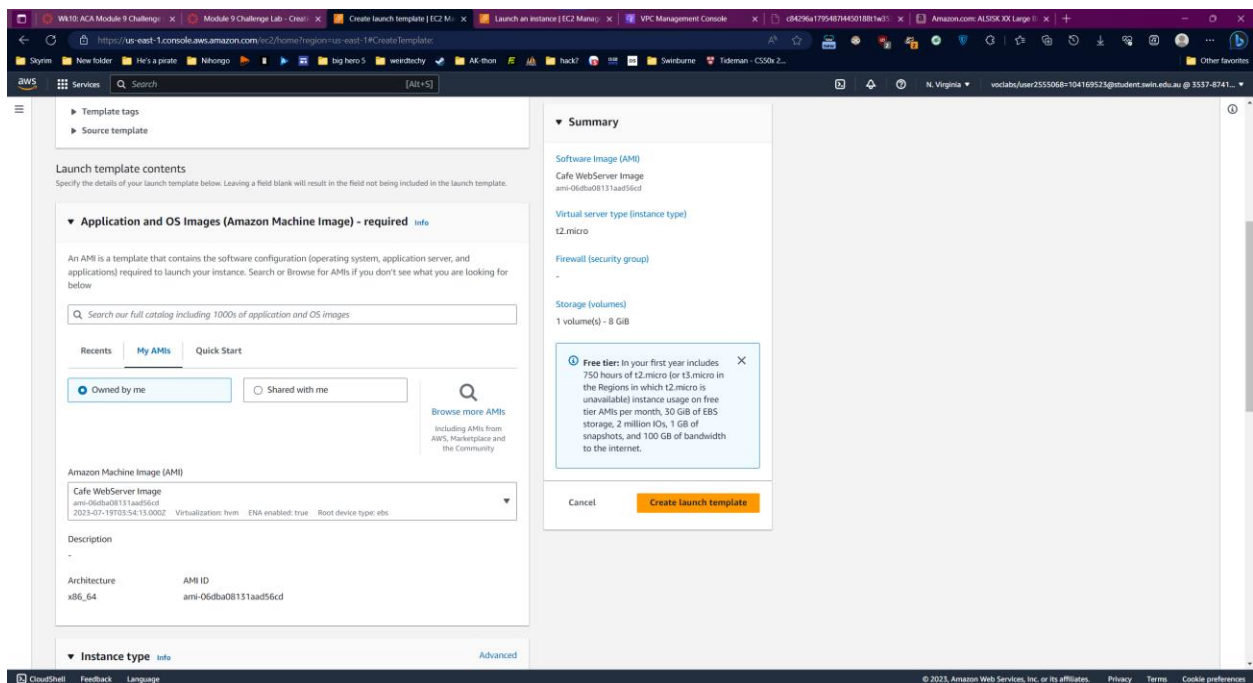
Create EC2 instance



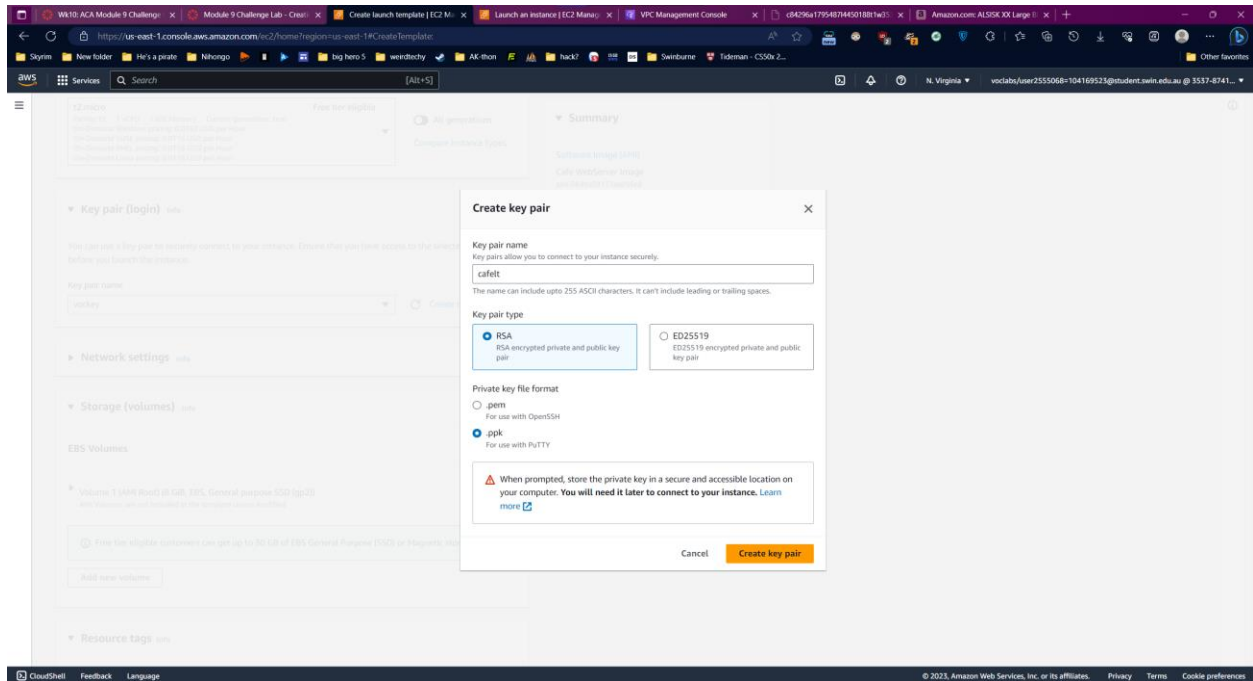


Task 4: Creating a launch template

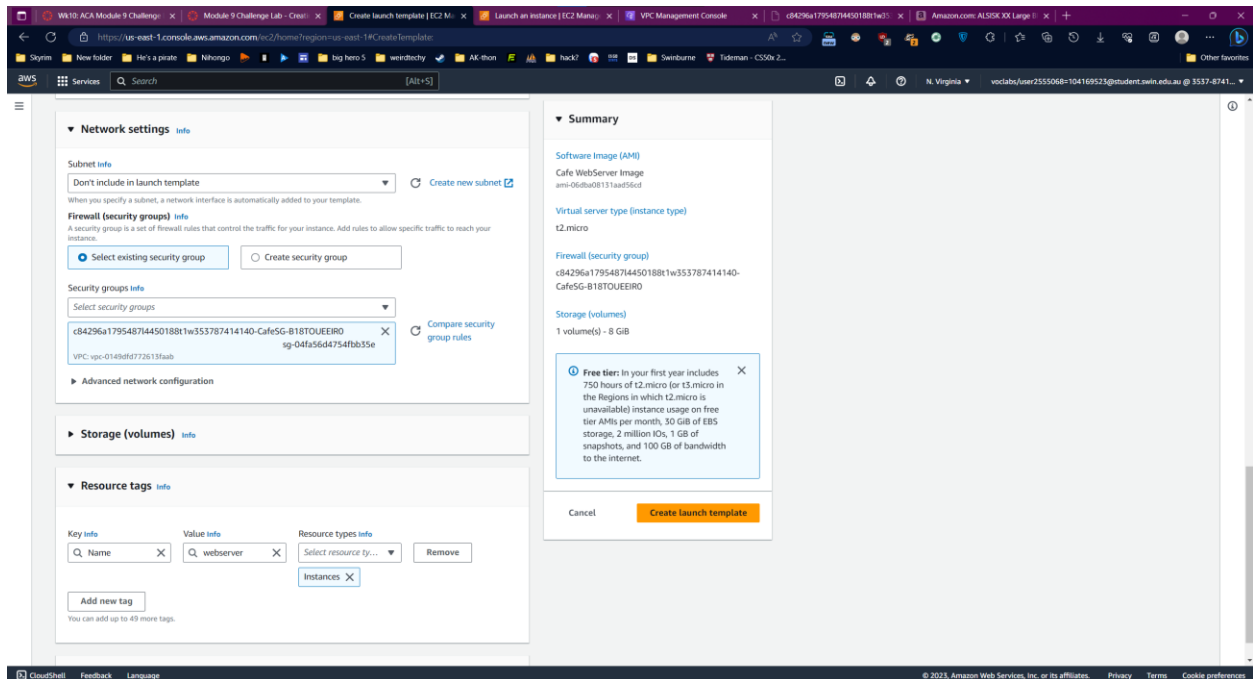
Create launch template



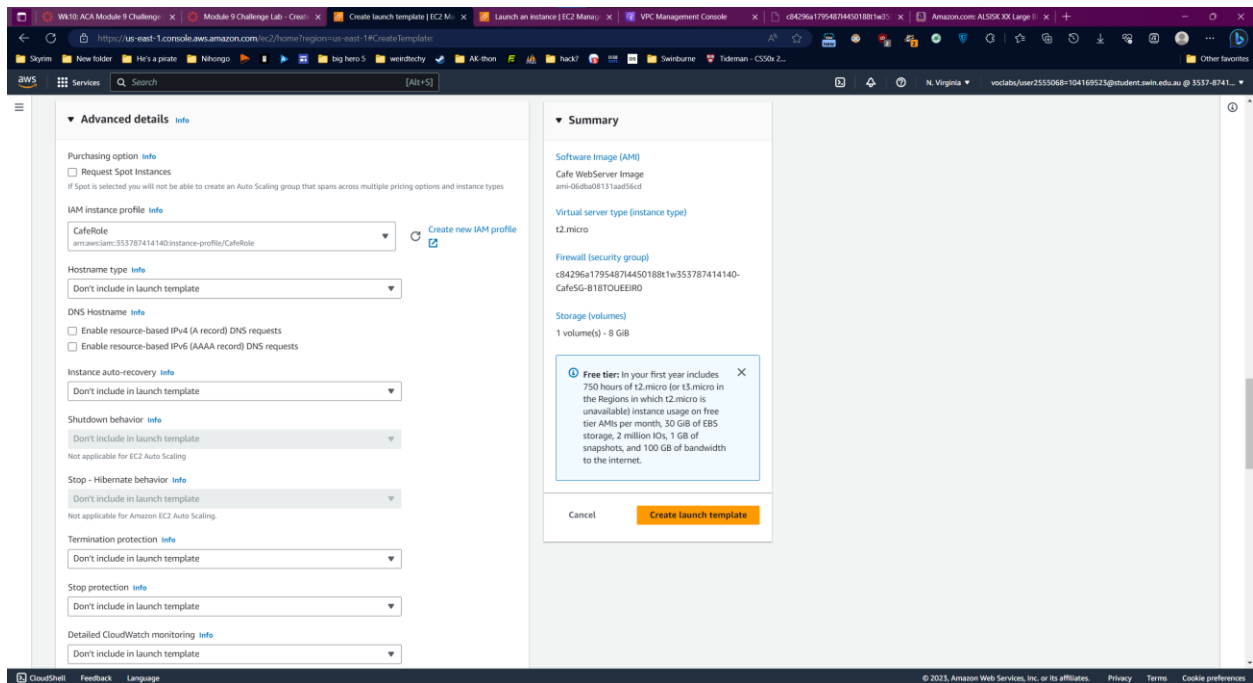
Create new keypair



Network settings and Resources tags

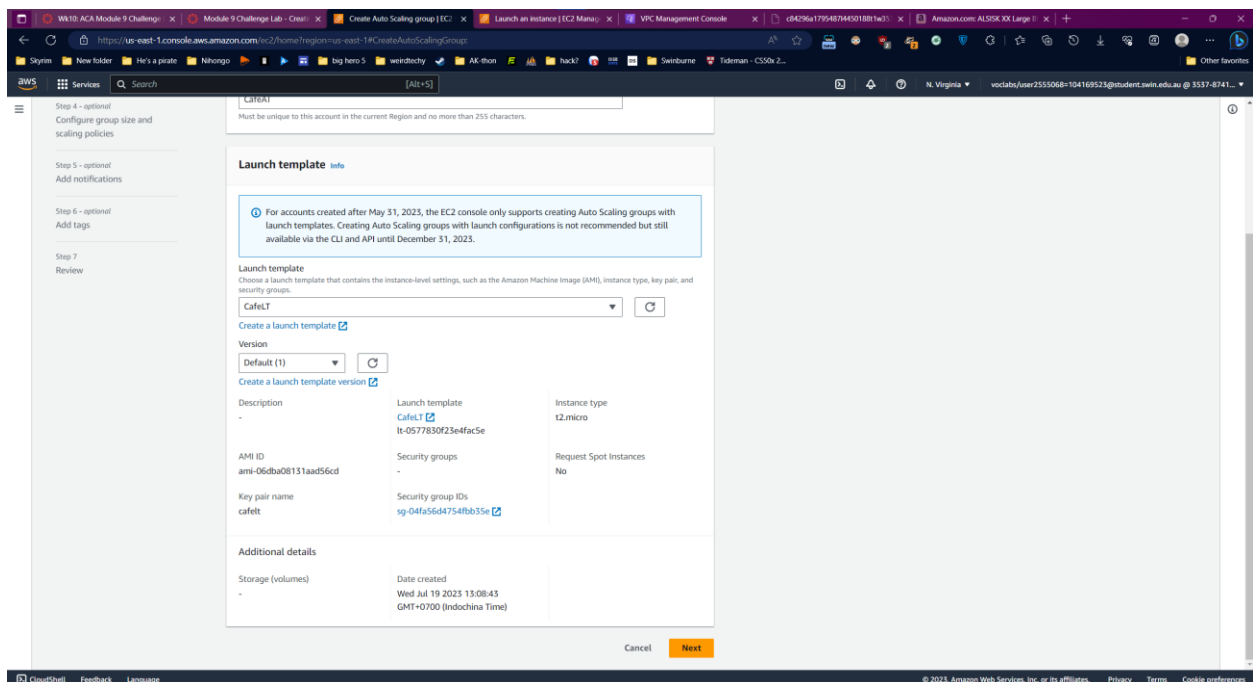


IAM role: CafeRole

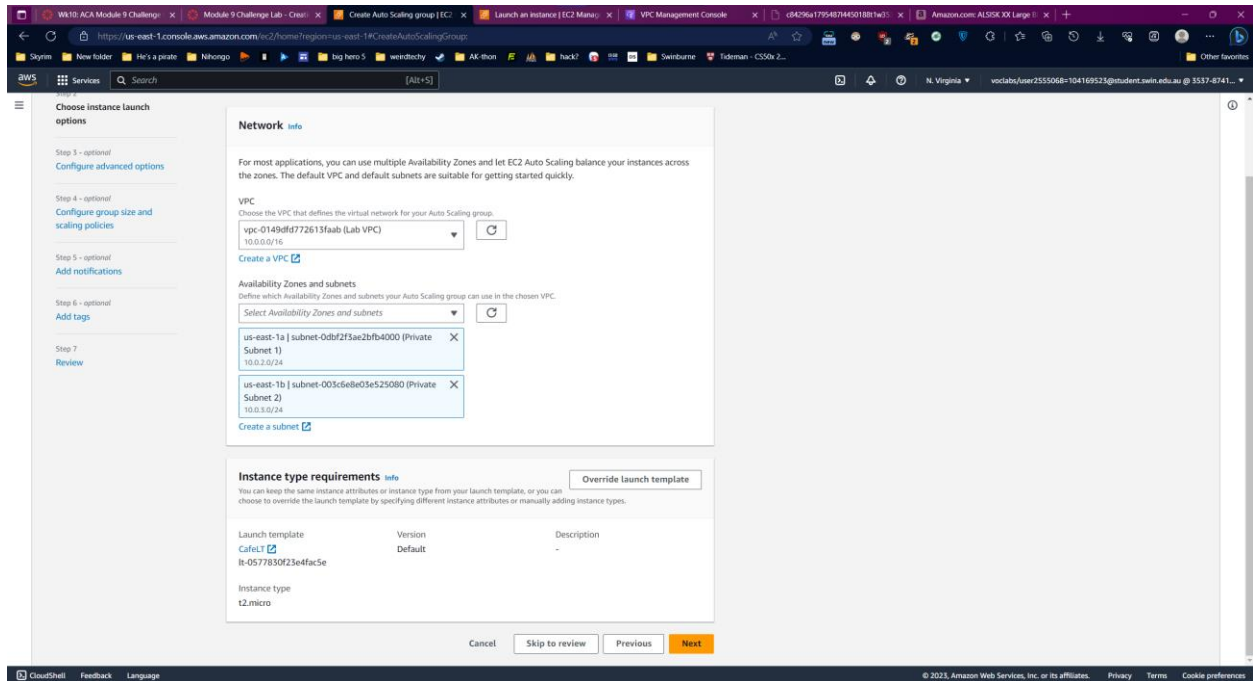


Task 5: Creating an Auto Scaling group

Launch template: the previous one



VPC and subnet



Choose instance launch options

Step 3 - optional
Configure advanced options

Step 4 - optional
Configure group size and scaling policies

Step 5 - optional
Add notifications

Step 6 - optional
Add tags

Step 7
Review

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-0149df72f3a2bfb4000 (Lab VPC)
10.0.0.0/16
[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-0dbf2f3a2bfb4000 (Private Subnet 1)
10.0.2.0/24
- us-east-1b | subnet-003c6e8e03e525080 (Private Subnet 2)
10.0.3.0/24

[Create a subnet](#)

Instance type requirements info [Override launch template](#)

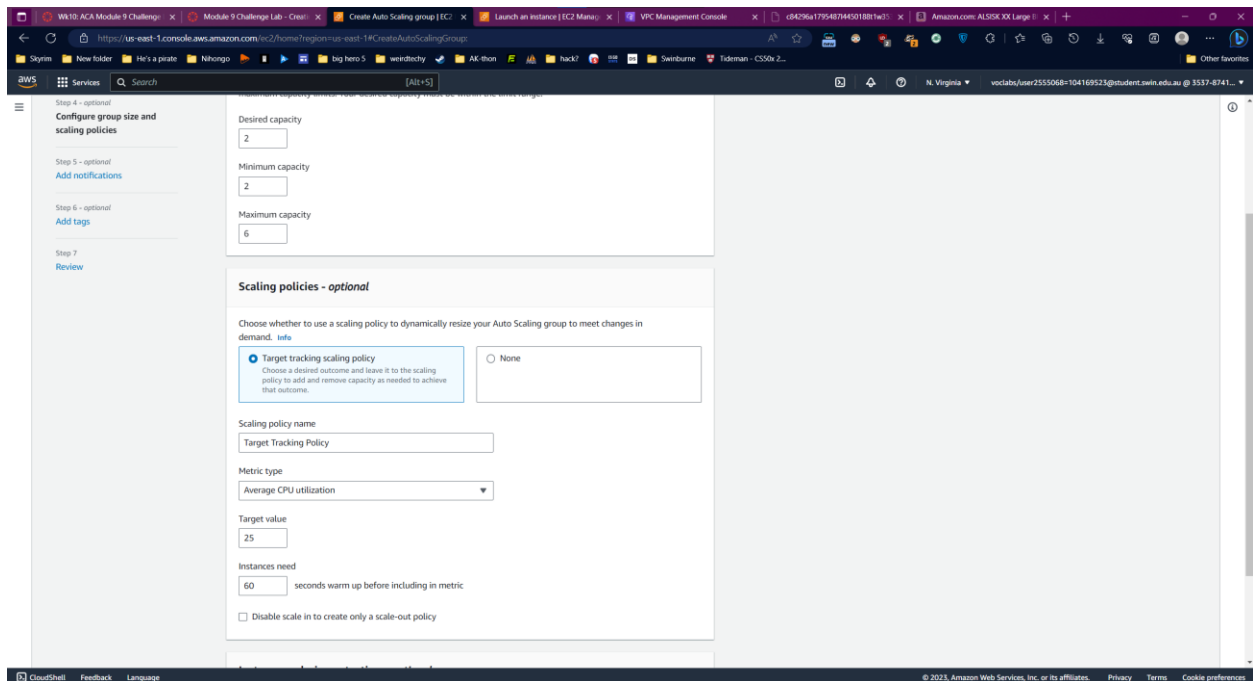
You can keep the same instance attributes or instance type from your launch template, or you can choose to override the launch template by specifying different instance attributes or manually adding instance types.

Launch template	Version	Description
Cafe17 lt-0577850f23e4fac5e	Default	-

Instance type
t2.micro

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Group sizes and Scaling policy



Step 4 - optional
Configure group size and scaling policies

Step 5 - optional
Add notifications

Step 6 - optional
Add tags

Step 7
Review

Desired capacity
2

Minimum capacity
2

Maximum capacity
6

Scaling policies - optional

Choose whether to use a scaling policy to dynamically resize your Auto Scaling group to meet changes in demand. info

☒ Target tracking scaling policy ☐ None
Choose a desired outcome and leave it to the scaling policy to add and remove capacity as needed to achieve that outcome.

Scaling policy name
Target Tracking Policy

Metric type
Average CPU utilization

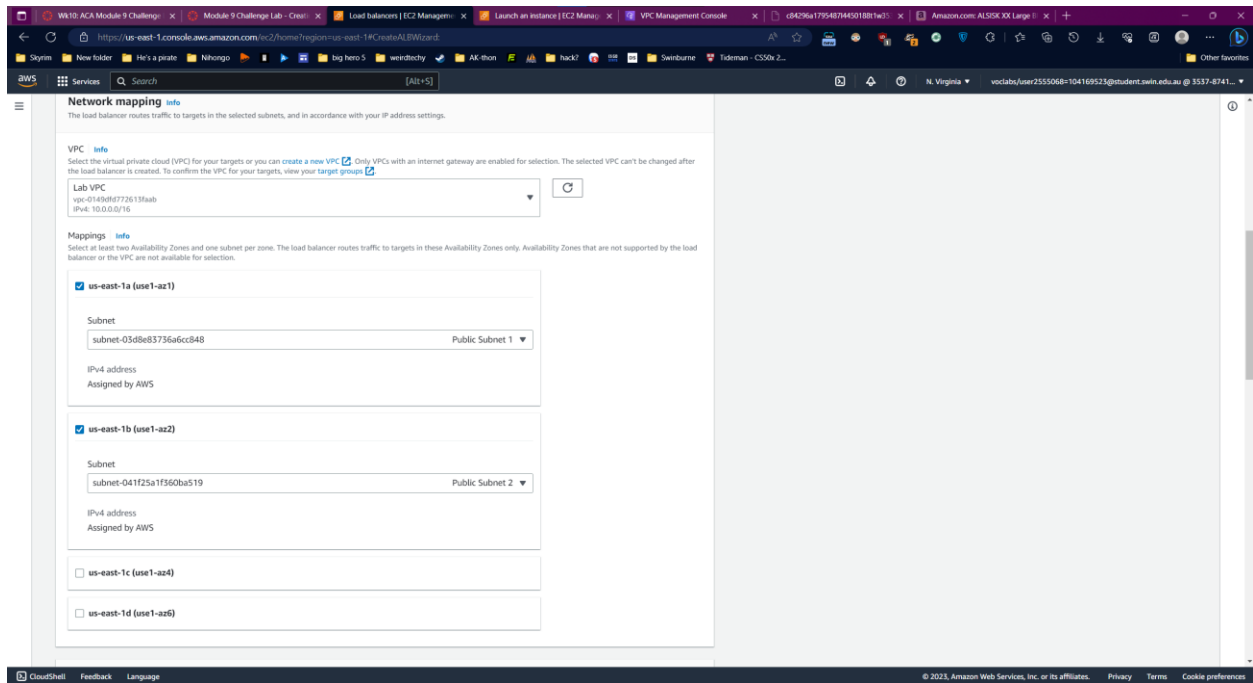
Target value
25

Instances need
60 seconds warm up before including in metric

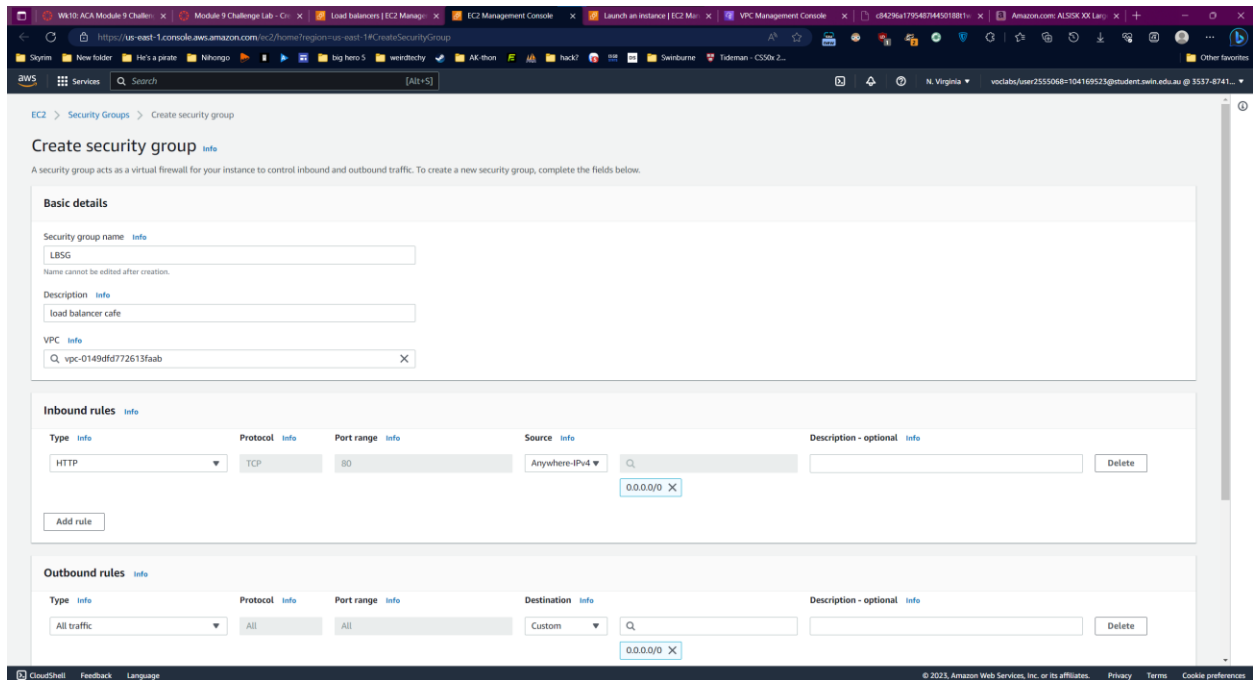
☐ Disable scale in to create only a scale-out policy

Task 6: Creating a load balancer

Network Mapping



Create new security group



Create new target group

The screenshot shows the 'Create target group' wizard in the AWS Management Console. The 'Target group name' is 'CafeTG'. The 'Protocol' is 'HTTP' and the 'Port' is '80'. The 'VPC' is 'Lab VPC'. The 'Protocol version' is 'HTTP1'. The 'Health checks' section shows 'Health check protocol' as 'HTTP' and 'Health check path' as '/'. The 'Listeners and routing' section shows a listener for 'HTTP:80' forwarding to 'CafeTG'.

Target group name
CafeTG

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

Protocol: HTTP Port: 80

VPC
Lab VPC
vpc-0149d6772613faab
IPv4: 10.0.0.0/16

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 ping the root, or specify a custom path if preferred.
/
Up to 1024 characters allowed.

Listeners and routing
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
Protocol: HTTP Port: 80 Default action: Forward to CafeTG
Forward to: CafeTG Target type: Instance, IPv4

Listener tags - optional
Consider adding tags to your listener. Tags enable you to categorize your AWS resources so you can more easily manage them.
Add listener tag
You can add up to 50 more tags.
Add listener

Add-on services - optional
Additional AWS services can be integrated with this load balancer at launch. You can also add these and other services after your load balancer is created by reviewing the "Integrated Services" tab for the selected load balancer.

Add security group and target group:

The screenshot shows the 'Add security group and target group' wizard in the AWS Management Console. The 'Security groups' section shows a dropdown with 'LBSG sg-09fba1688768a973e' selected. The 'Listeners and routing' section shows a listener for 'HTTP:80' forwarding to 'CafeTG'. The 'Add-on services' section is optional.

Security groups
Select up to 5 security groups
LBSG sg-09fba1688768a973e
VPC: vpc-0149d6772613faab

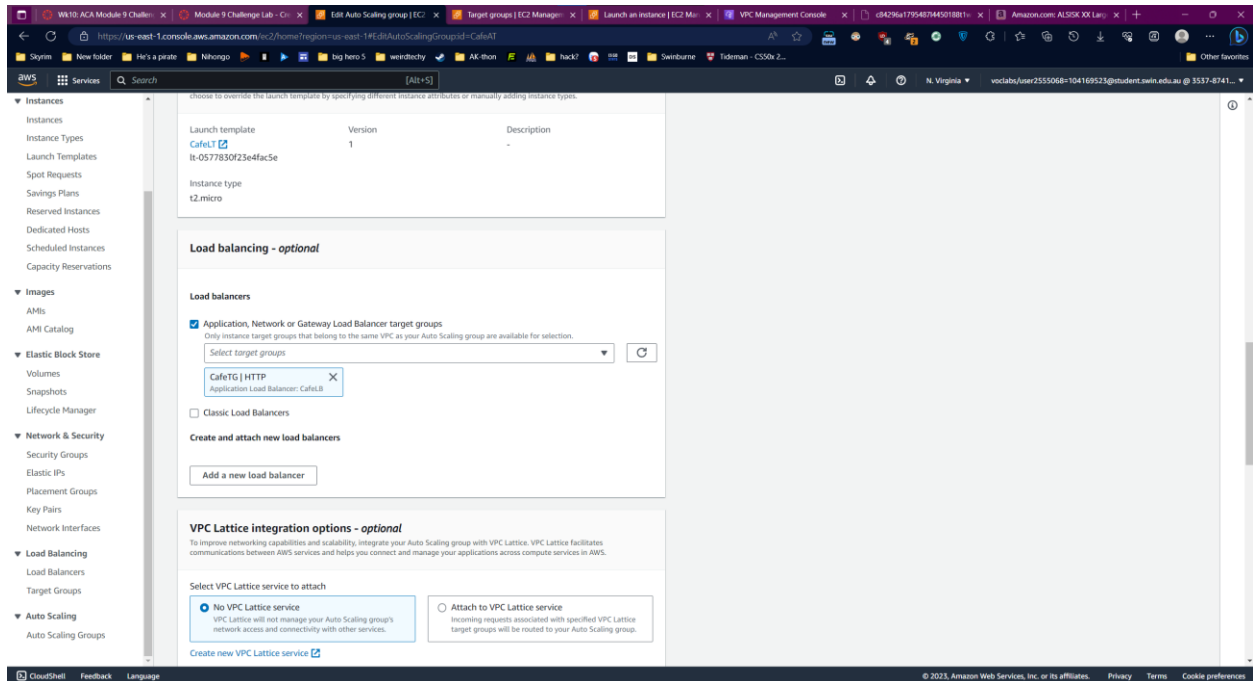
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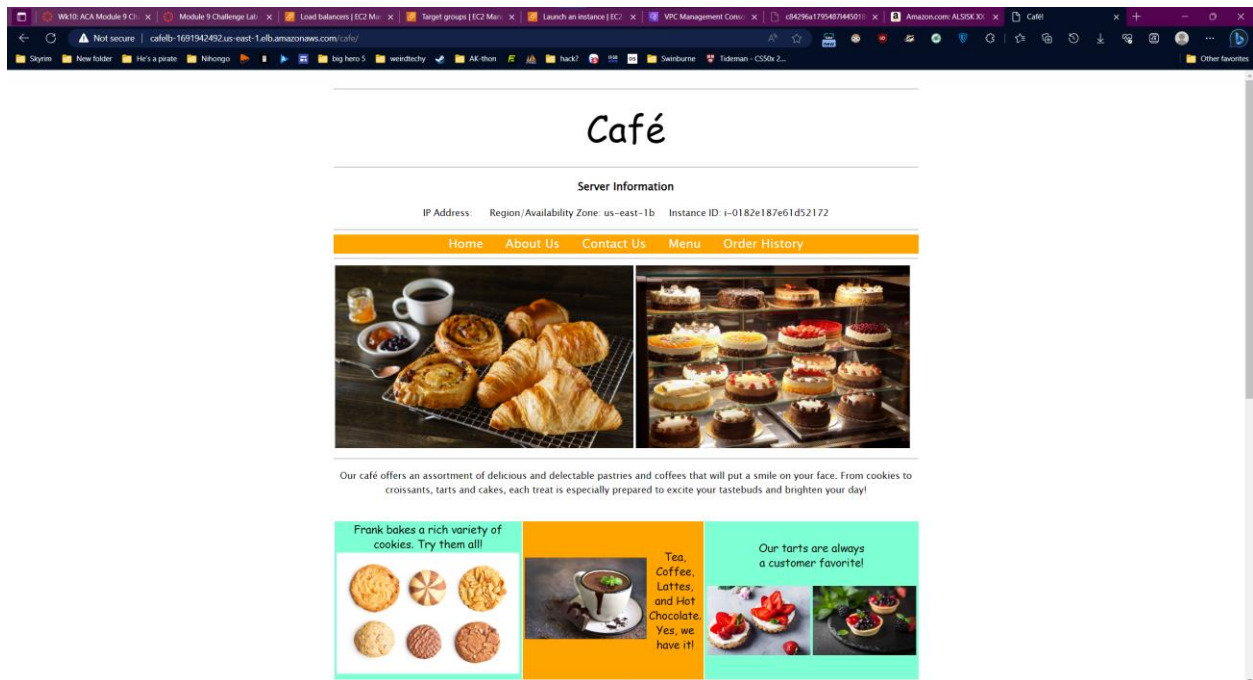
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Add Load Balancer to Auto Scaling Group



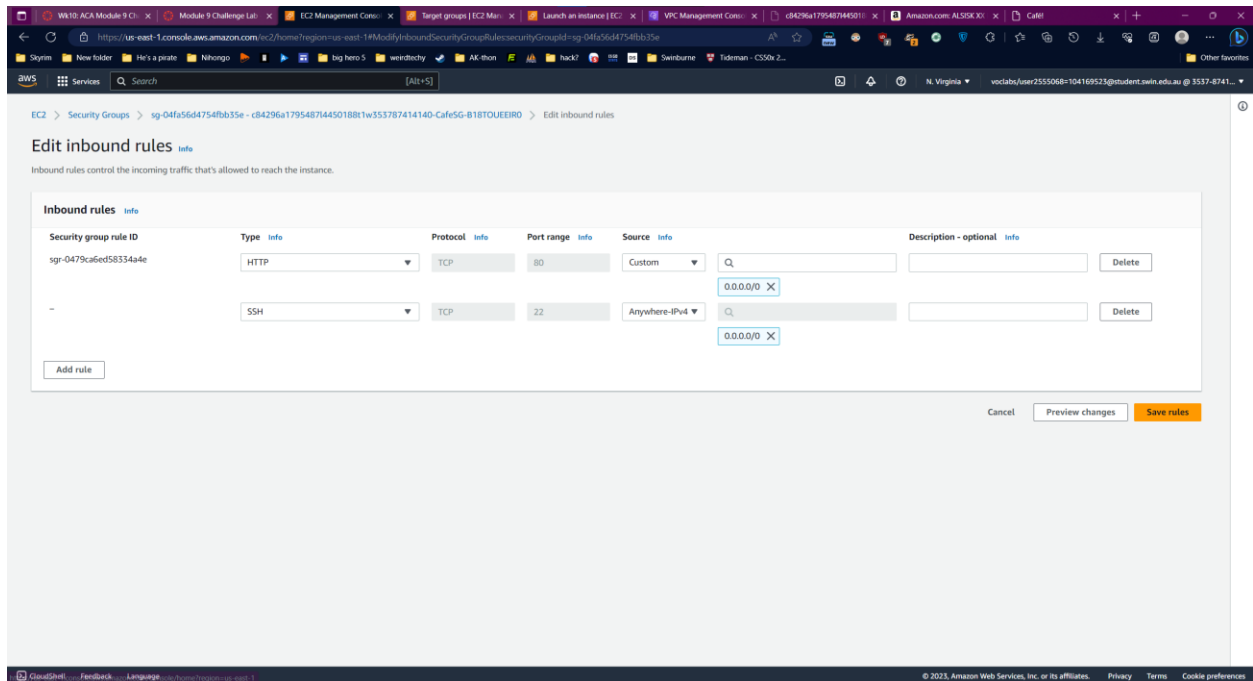
Task 7: Testing the web application

Test the website

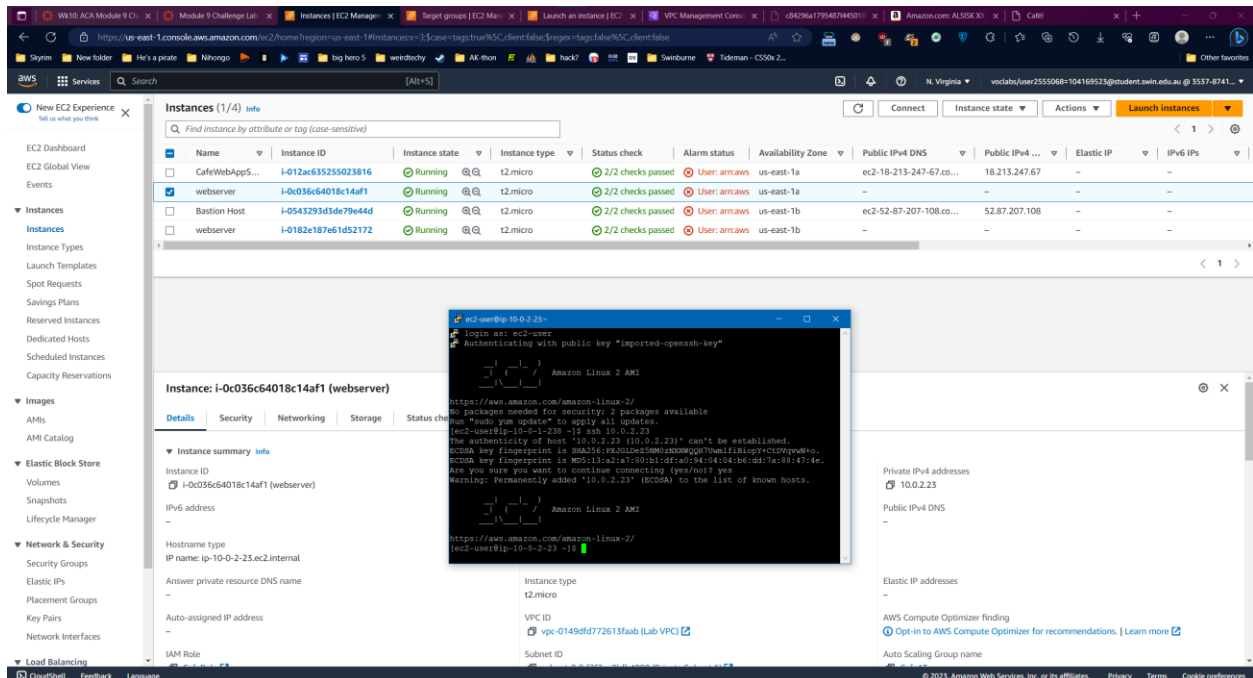


Task 8: Testing automatic scaling under load

Change CafeSG security group



SSH to a webserver instance:



Copy the test command:

The screenshot shows a web browser window with multiple tabs. The active tab is titled "Module 9 Challenge Lab - Creating a Scalable and Highly Available Environment for the Café". The page content includes a sidebar with navigation links (Home, Modules, Announcements, Discussions, Grades) and a main content area. The main content area displays "Task 8: Testing automatic scaling up" with instructions and a code block. A terminal window is open over the code block, showing the execution of commands to install and run the stress test.

Task 8: Testing automatic scaling up

In this task, you will test whether the café application scales.

17. By using Secure Shell (SSH) passthrough through the bastion host, connect to one of the running web server instances.

Tip: You will need to modify the Café5G security group from the bastion host.

18. From the web server instance, use the following command to increase the load on the web server CPU:

```
sudo yum install https://d1.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/7/march/rpms/x86_64/stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64.rpm
sudo yum install stress -y
stress --cpu 1 --timeout 600
```

19. Verify that the Auto Scaling group deploys new instances.

- Continue to observe the Amazon EC2 console.
- During the test, you should observe that more web server instances are deployed.

Update from the café

The terminal window shows the following output:

```
bash
dnf install https://d1.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/7/march/rpms/x86_64/stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64.rpm
Public key for stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64.rpm is not installed
stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64.rpm | 30 kB 00:00
Retrieving key from file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-EPEL-7
Importing GPG key 8a532048:
  from       : /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-EPEL-7
  fingerprint: 81e9 7d7c 4a5e 96f1 7f3e 888f 6a1f aea2 352c 64e5
Package : epel-release-1-14.noarch (installed)
from       : /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-EPEL-7
Running transaction check
Running transaction test
Transaction test succeeded
Running transaction
Installing : stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64 1/1
Verifying : stress-1.0.4-16.el7.x86_64 1/1
Complete!
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-2-23 ~]$ stress --cpu 1 --timeout 600
stress: info: [3460] dispatching hogs: 1 cpu, 0 io, 0 vm, 0 hdd
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