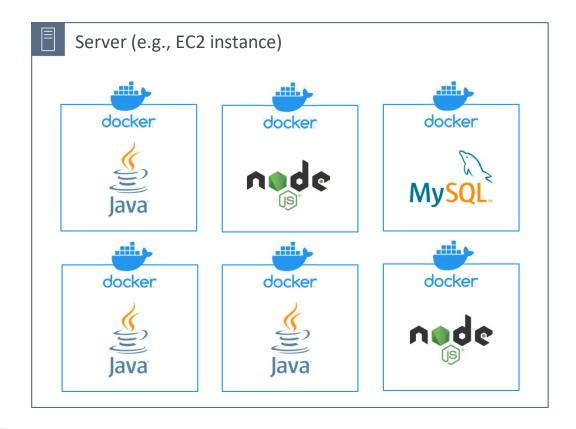
Containers on AWS

What is Docker?



- Docker is a software development platform to deploy apps
- Apps are packaged in containers that can be run on any OS
- Apps run the same, regardless of where they're run
 - Any machine
 - No compatibility issues
 - Predictable behavior
 - Less work
 - Easier to maintain and deploy
 - Works with any language, any OS, any technology
- Use cases: microservices architecture, lift-and-shift apps from onpremises to the AWS cloud, ...

Docker on an OS

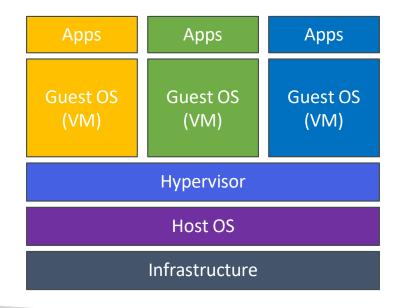


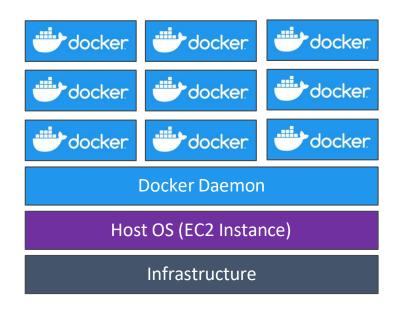
Where are Docker images stored?

- Docker images are stored in Docker Repositories
- Docker Hub (<u>https://hub.docker.com</u>)
 - Public repository
 - Find base images for many technologies or OS (e.g., Ubuntu, MySQL, ...)
- Amazon ECR (Amazon Elastic Container Registry)
 - Private repository
 - Public repository (Amazon ECR Public Gallery https://gallery.ecr.aws)

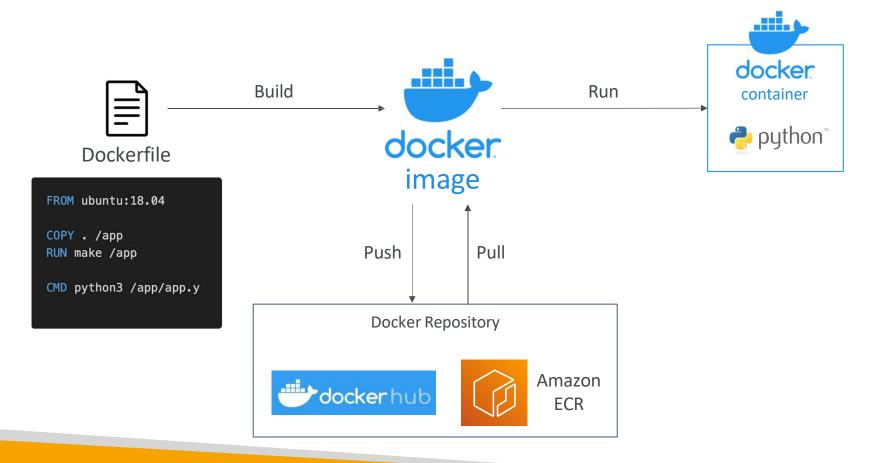
Docker vs. Virtual Machines

- Docker is "sort of" a virtualization technology, but not exactly
- Resources are shared with the host => many containers on one server





Getting Started with Docker



Docker Containers Management on AWS

- Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS)
 - Amazon's own container platform



- Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS)
 - Amazon's managed Kubernetes (open source)



- AWS Fargate
 - Amazon's own Serverless container platform
 - Works with ECS and with EKS

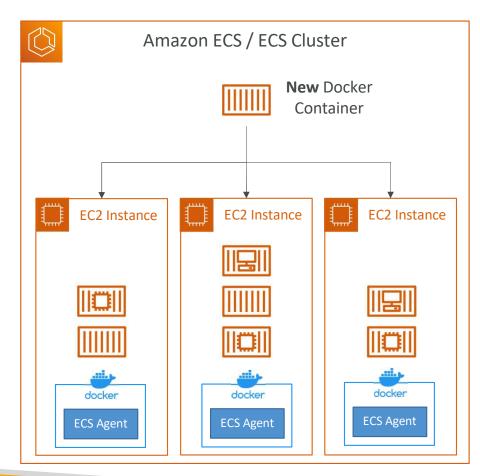
AWS Fargate

- Amazon ECR:
 - Store container images



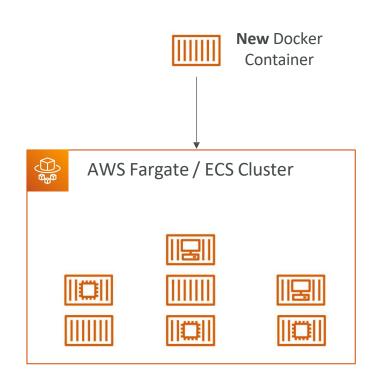
Amazon ECS - EC2 Launch Type

- ECS = Elastic Container Service
- Launch Docker containers on AWS = Launch ECSTasks on ECS Clusters
- EC2 Launch Type: you must provision
 & maintain the infrastructure (the EC2 instances)
- Each EC2 Instance must run the ECS Agent to register in the ECS Cluster
- AWS takes care of starting / stopping containers



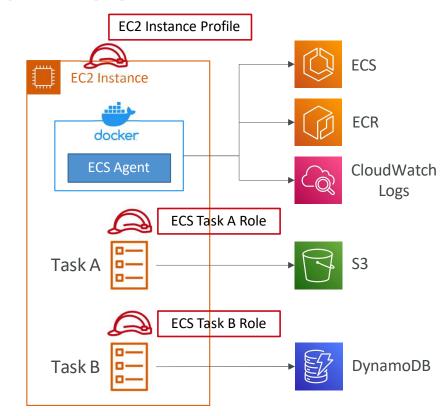
Amazon ECS - Fargate Launch Type

- Launch Docker containers on AWS
- You do not provision the infrastructure (no EC2 instances to manage)
- It's all Serverless!
- You just create task definitions
- AWS just runs ECSTasks for you based on the CPU / RAM you need
- To scale, just increase the number of tasks. Simple - no more EC2 instances



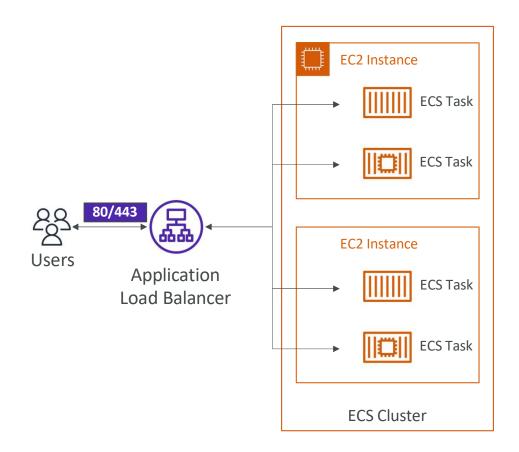
Amazon ECS - IAM Roles for ECS

- EC2 Instance Profile (EC2 Launch Type only):
 - Used by the <u>ECS agent</u>
 - Makes API calls to ECS service
 - Send container logs to CloudWatch Logs
 - Pull Docker image from ECR
 - Reference sensitive data in Secrets Manager or SSM Parameter Store
- ECSTask Role:
 - Allows each task to have a specific role
 - Use different roles for the different ECS Services you run
 - Task Role is defined in the task definition



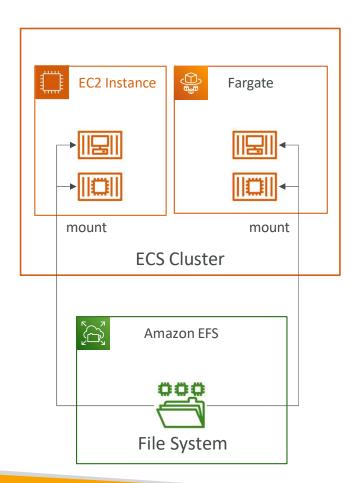
Amazon ECS - Load Balancer Integrations

- Application Load Balancer supported and works for most use cases
- Network Load Balancer recommended only for high throughput / high performance use cases, or to pair it with AWS Private Link
- Classic Load Balancer supported but not recommended (no advanced features - no Fargate)



Amazon ECS - Data Volumes (EFS)

- Mount ETS file systems onto ECS tasks
- Works for both EC2 and Fargate launch types
- Tasks running in any AZ will share the same data in the ⊞S file system
- Fargate + EFS = Serverless
- Use cases: persistent multi-AZ shared storage for your containers
- Note:
 - Amazon S3 cannot be mounted as a file system



ECS Service Auto Scaling

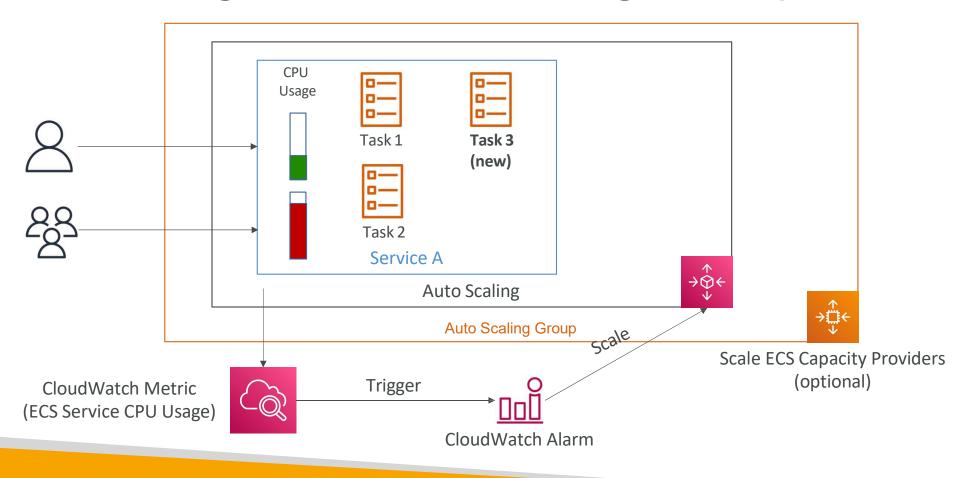


- Automatically increase/decrease the desired number of ECS tasks
- Amazon ECS Auto Scaling uses AWS Application Auto Scaling
 - ECS Service Average CPU Utilization
 - ECS Service Average Memory Utilization Scale on RAM
 - ALB Request Count PerTarget metric coming from the ALB
- Target Tracking scale based on target value for a specific CloudWatch metric
- Step Scaling scale based on a specified CloudWatch Alarm
- Scheduled Scaling scale based on a specified date/time (predictable changes)
- ECS Service Auto Scaling (task level) \neq EC2 Auto Scaling (EC2 instance level)
- Fargate Auto Scaling is much easier to setup (because Serverless)

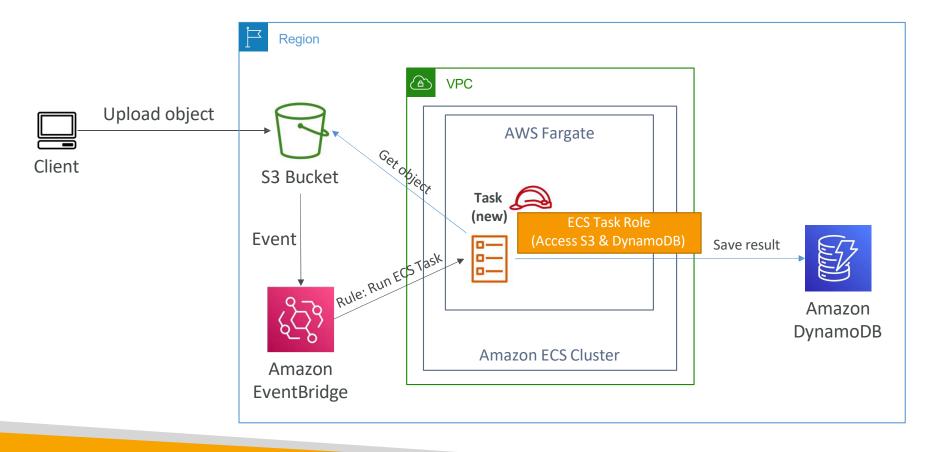
EC2 Launch Type - Auto Scaling EC2 Instances

- Accommodate ECS Service Scaling by adding underlying EC2 Instances
- Auto Scaling Group Scaling
 - Scale your ASG based on CPU Utilization
 - Add EC2 instances over time
- ECS Cluster Capacity Provider
 - Used to automatically provision and scale the infrastructure for your ECSTasks
 - Capacity Provider paired with an Auto Scaling Group
 - Add EC2 Instances when you're missing capacity (CPU, RAM...)

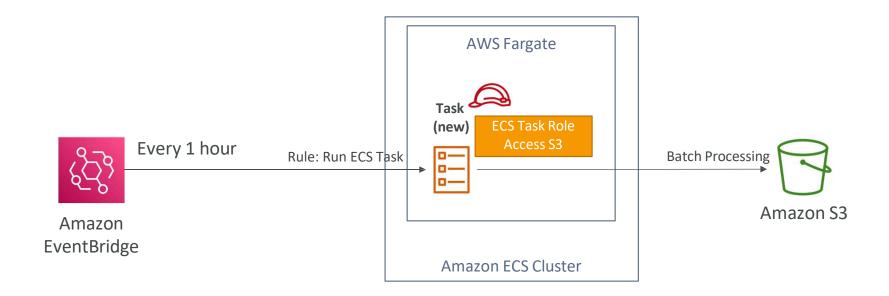
ECS Scaling - Service CPU Usage Example



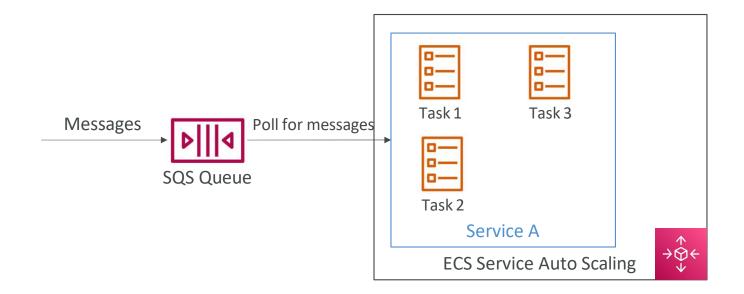
ECS tasks invoked by Event Bridge



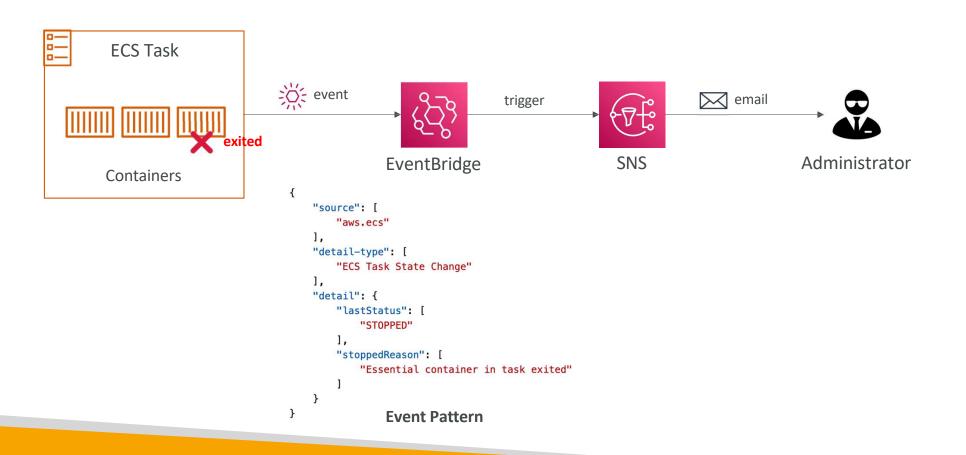
ECS tasks invoked by Event Bridge Schedule



ECS - SQS Queue Example



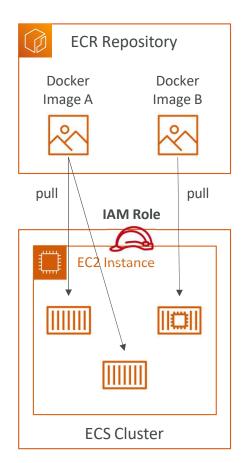
ECS - Intercept Stopped Tasks using EventBridge







- ECR = Elastic Container Registry
- Store and manage Docker images on AWS
- Private and Public repository (Amazon ECR Public Gallery https://gallery.ecr.aws)
- Fully integrated with ECS, backed by Amazon S3
- Access is controlled through IAM (permission errors => policy)
- Supports image vulnerability scanning, versioning, image tags, image lifecycle, ...



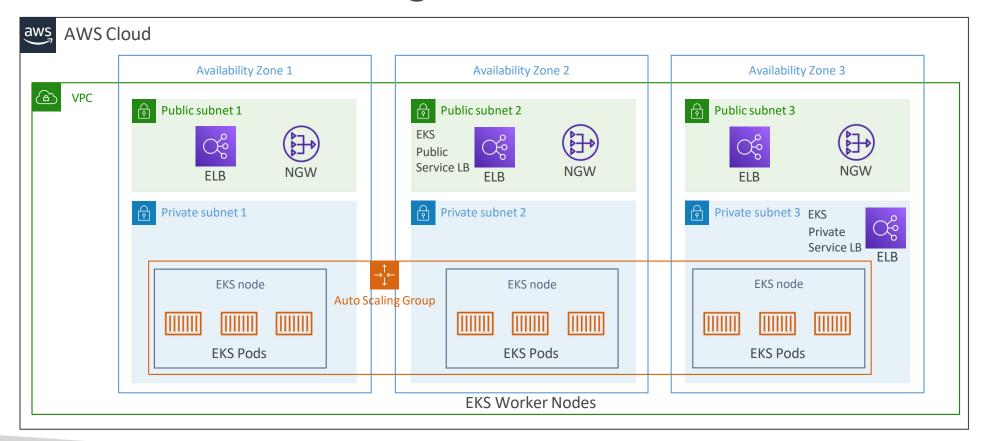
Amazon EKS Overview





- Amazon EKS = Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service
- It is a way to launch managed Kubernetes clusters on AWS
- Kubernetes is an open-source system for automatic deployment, scaling and management of containerized (usually Docker) application
- It's an alternative to ECS, similar goal but different API
- EKS supports EC2 if you want to deploy worker nodes or Fargate to deploy serverless containers
- Use case: if your company is already using Kubernetes on-premises or in another cloud, and wants to migrate to AWS using Kubernetes
- Kubernetes is cloud-agnostic (can be used in any cloud Azure, GCP...)
- For multiple regions, deploy one EKS cluster per region
- Collect logs and metrics using CloudWatch Container Insights

Amazon EKS - Diagram



Amazon EKS - Node Types

- Managed Node Groups
 - Creates and manages Nodes (EC2 instances) for you
 - Nodes are part of an ASG managed by EKS
 - Supports On-Demand or Spot Instances
- Self-Managed Nodes
 - Nodes created by you and registered to the EKS cluster and managed by an ASG
 - You can use prebuilt AMI Amazon EKS Optimized AMI
 - Supports On-Demand or Spot Instances
- AWS Fargate
 - No maintenance required; no nodes managed

Amazon EKS - Data Volumes

- Need to specify StorageClass manifest on your EKS cluster
- Leverages a Container Storage Interface (CSI) compliant driver
- Support for...
- Amazon ⊞S
- Amazon ⊞S (works with Fargate)
- Amazon FSx for Lustre
- Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP









AWS App Runner

- Fully managed service that makes it easy to deploy web applications and APIs at scale
- No infrastructure experience required
- Start with your source code or container image
- Automatically builds and deploy the web app
- Automatic scaling, highly available, load balancer, encryption
- VPC access support
- Connect to database, cache, and message queue services
- Use cases: web apps, APIs, microservices, rapid production deployments



