

aws_public_ec2_setup

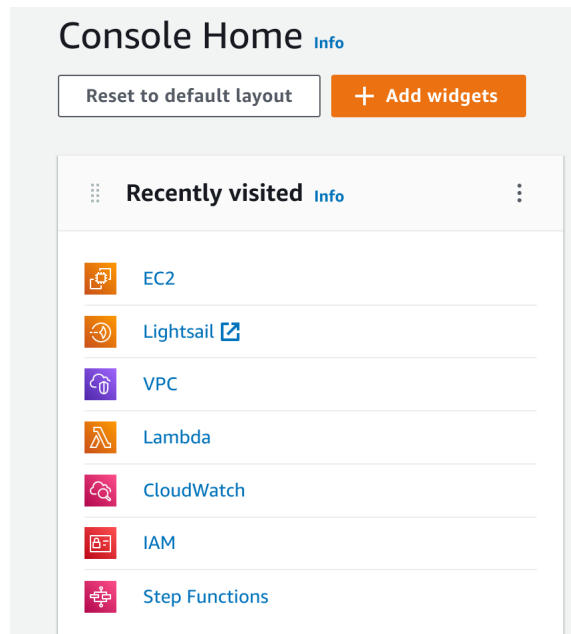
Instructions to set up public AWS EC2

e.g. to host a flask server, dashboard, REST api endpoint, etc.

(See picture version as pdf in repo, pictures may help!)

Go to: AWS

<https://us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com>

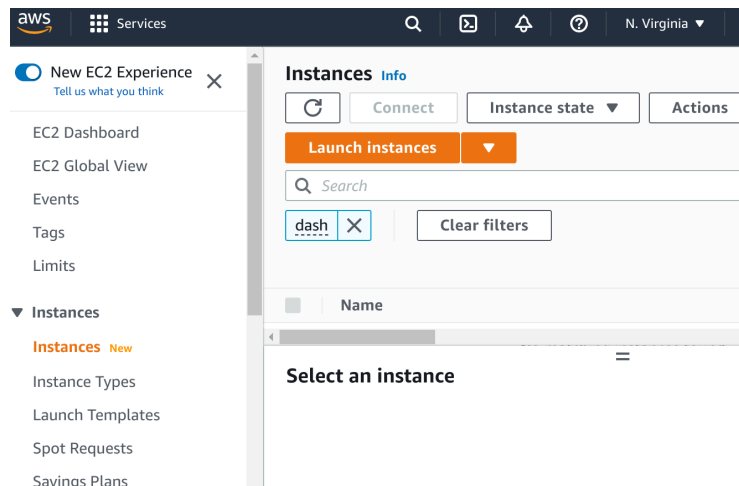


Go to: EC2

<https://us-east-1.console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/>

Go to: instances

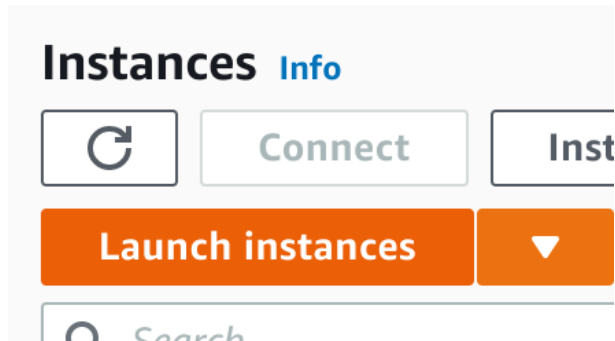
the instances tab



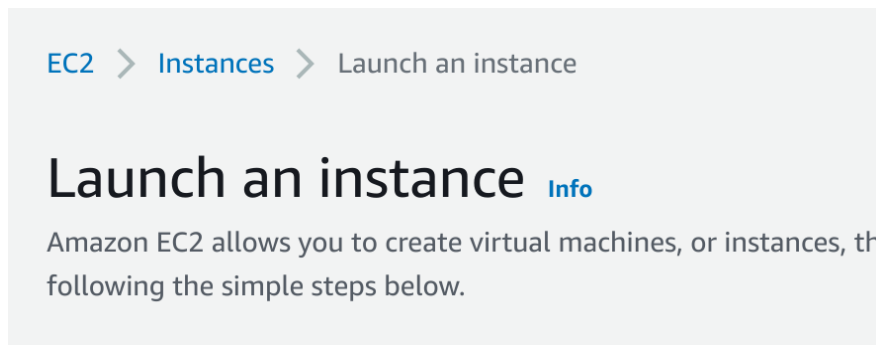
Launch Instance:

Hit the big orange button that says "Launch instances"

(plural...for some reason...which of course takes to you "launch an instance" singular)



"launch an instance" singular



Configure:

1. Name and tags -> clear meaningful name, nothing is too obvious. recommended format: "ec2_purpose_yourname_datetime"
2. Application and OS Images (Amazon Machine Image) -> default amazon linux
3. Instance type -> nano (scroll down)
4. Key pair (login) -> select or make new pair
5. Network settings...(see below)

Network settings:

1. firewall security group: create or select
2. "Allow SSH traffic from": must be on to use EC2 connect later (or SSH in yourself)
3. "Allow HTTPs traffic from the internet": If you want this to be public, allow.
4. http may be needed in the mess of aws connection issues, leave it on for now

▼ Network settings [Get guidance](#)

Edit

Network [Info](#)

vpc-#####

Subnet [Info](#)

No preference (Default subnet in any availability zone)

Auto-assign public IP [Info](#)

Enable

Firewall (security groups) [Info](#)

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic for your instance. Add rules to allow specific traffic to reach your instance.

☒ Create security group

☐ Select existing security group

We'll create a new security group called 'launch-wizard-9' with the following rules:

☒ Allow SSH traffic from

Helps you connect to your instance

Anywhere
0.0.0.0/0

☒ Allow HTTPs traffic from the internet

To set up an endpoint, for example when creating a web server

☐ Allow HTTP traffic from the internet

To set up an endpoint, for example when creating a web server

⚠ Rules with source of 0.0.0.0/0 allow all IP addresses to access your instance. We recommend

setting security group rules to allow access from known IP addresses only.

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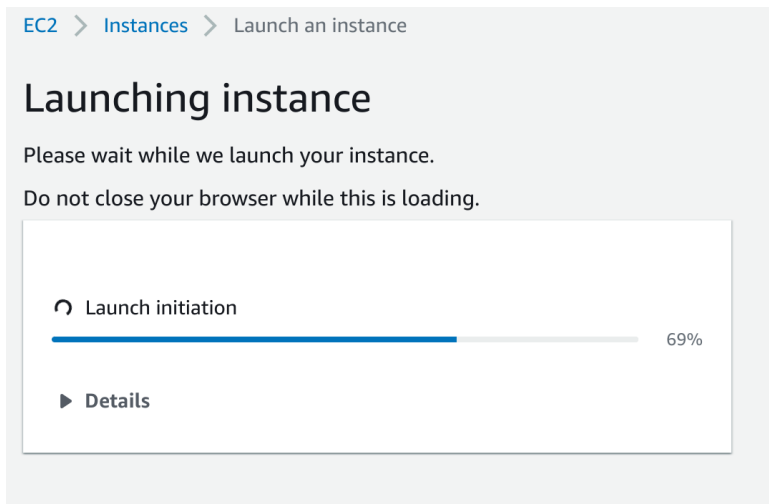
Network settings (continued...)

6. Storage (volumes -> use default)

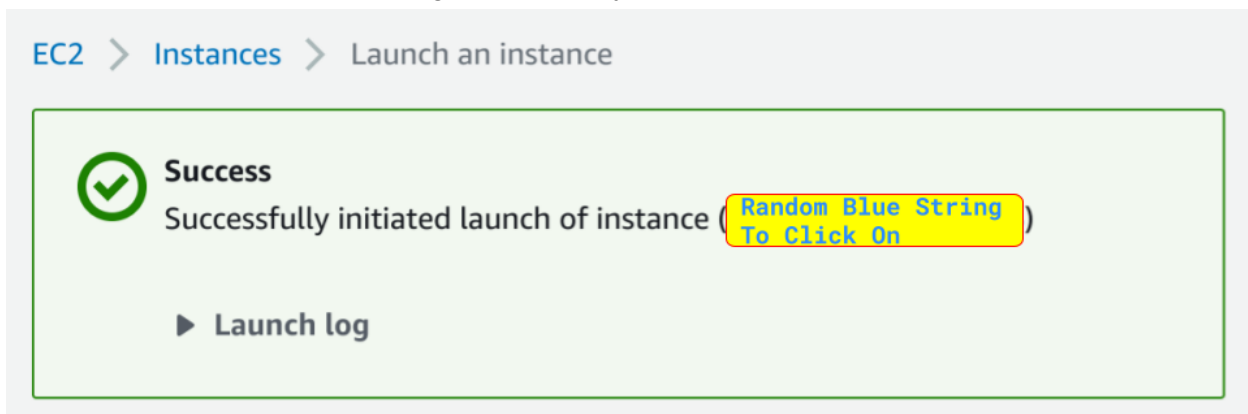
7. Advanced details Info -> ignore

8. Summary -> nothing to do or change here, examine if you want.

Select: Launch Instance



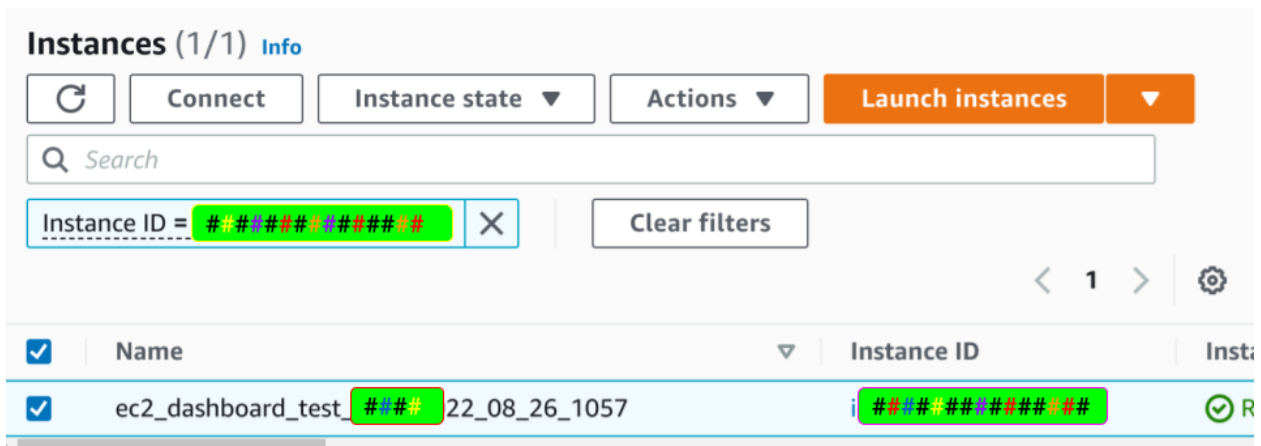
Click on the blue random string (obviously...?)



Back at instances window:

your instance should now be highlighted: click on "connect" to connect via web

This is much easier than local-cli ssh (web connect is one of the few actually useful working advances AWS has made).



configure in "security"

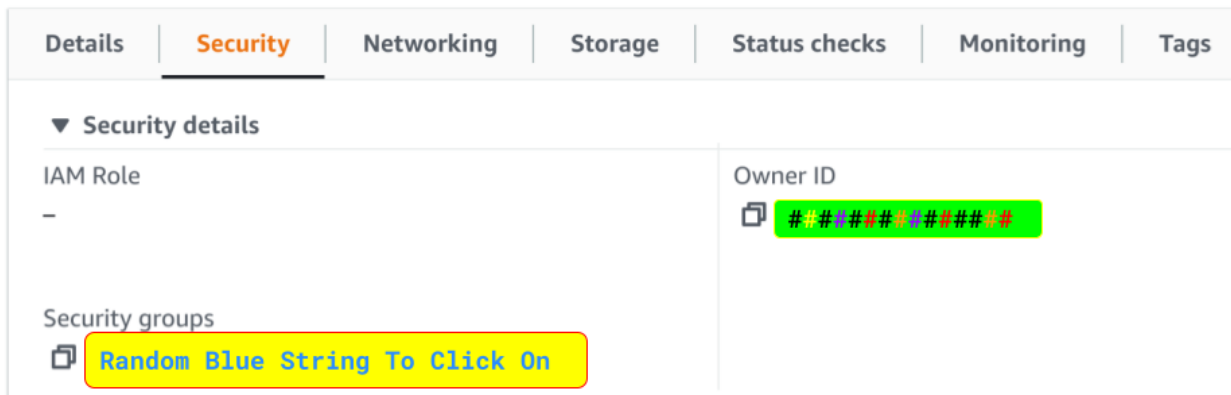
(Obviously, since you want to do network configuration, and you have the choice of 'networking' you instead need to go to "security." So user friendly.)



Another random blue-string-click

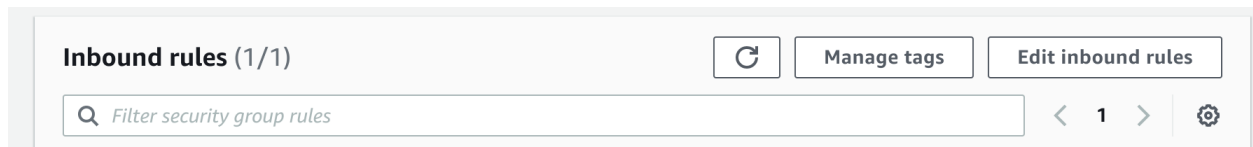
In the "Security" tab, under "security groups" (plural?) you see a random blue-string-link. click on that (to configure networking...obviously...)

Instance: ##### (ec2_dashboard_test ##### 2022_08_26_1057)

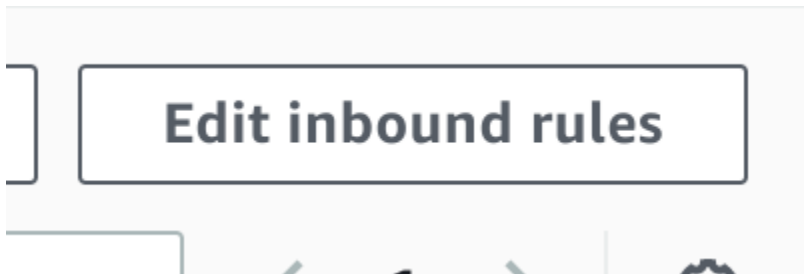


"Inbound rules" You are here!

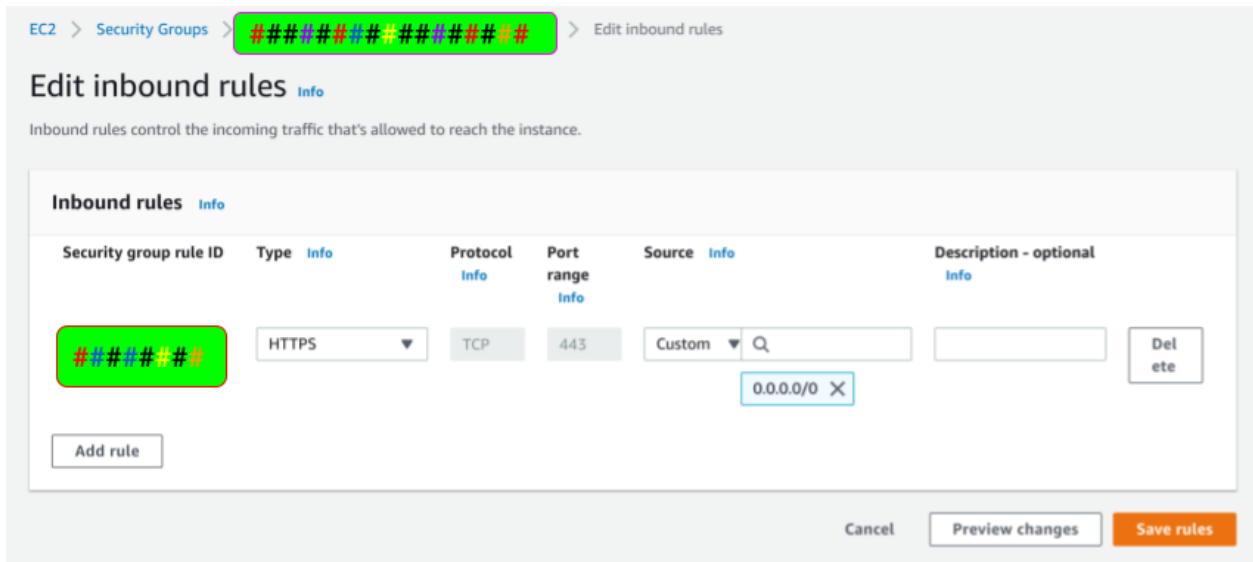
Finally: This is the basic, rudimentary, necessary, "start here" configuration menu that all this has been leading up to (and should have started with), yet for some obscene reason AWS makes it impossible to even find.



Click "edit inbound rules"



Make and save new rules.
Using the following tool (which you should see now),



Create and save (using the big orange "Save rules" button) the rules in this table.
Existing rules may need to be modified or replaced (e.g. HTTPS may be set to custom, set it to Anywhere IPV4)

...

	Type	(Protocol)	Port Range	Source	(to)
1.	HTTPS TCP	TCP	443	Anywhere IPV4	0.0.0.0/0
2.	Custom TCP	TCP	8080	Anywhere IPV4	0.0.0.0/0
3.	SSH	TCP	22	Custom	0.0.0.0/0
...					

EC2 > Security Groups > **#####** > Edit inbound rules

Edit inbound rules Info

Inbound rules control the incoming traffic that's allowed to reach the instance.

Inbound rules Info

Security group rule ID	Type	Protocol	Port range	Source	Description - optional	
#####	HTTPS	TCP	443	Anywhere IPv4	0.0.0.0/0	Delete
-	Custom TCP	TCP	8080	Anywhere IPv4	0.0.0.0/0	Delete

[Add rule](#)

Cancel [Preview changes](#) [Save rules](#)

Another example rule set:

Set **Type** *HTTP*, **Protocol** *TCP*, **Port range** *80*, and **Source** to *"0.0.0.0/0"*.

Set **Type** *HTTP*, **Protocol** *TCP*, **Port range** *80*, and **Source** to *"::/0"*.

Set **Type** *Custom TCP*, **Protocol** *TCP*, **Port range** *8080*, and **Source** to *"0.0.0.0/0"*.

Set **Type** *SSH*, **Protocol** *TCP*, **Port range** *22*, and **Source** to *"0.0.0.0/0"*.

Set **Type** *HTTPS*, **Protocol** *TCP*, **Port range** *443*, and **Source** to *"0.0.0.0/0"*.

Done.

Go back to the instances tab

▼ Instances

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< 1 > [Settings](#)

Note!

The exact ports you need to select (e.g. 8080 vs. 8050) etc, may depend on what you are doing, and on how your project is configured (flask, dash, fast-api, etc.)

For plotly dash you may need to use 8050 and use this line in your app.run command:

```
...  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    app.run_server(host= '0.0.0.0',port=80)  
...
```

And you may need to add a port suffix after the ipv4URL you get from AWS.

In these working examples, plotly-dash's port 8050 was added to the end of the original url.

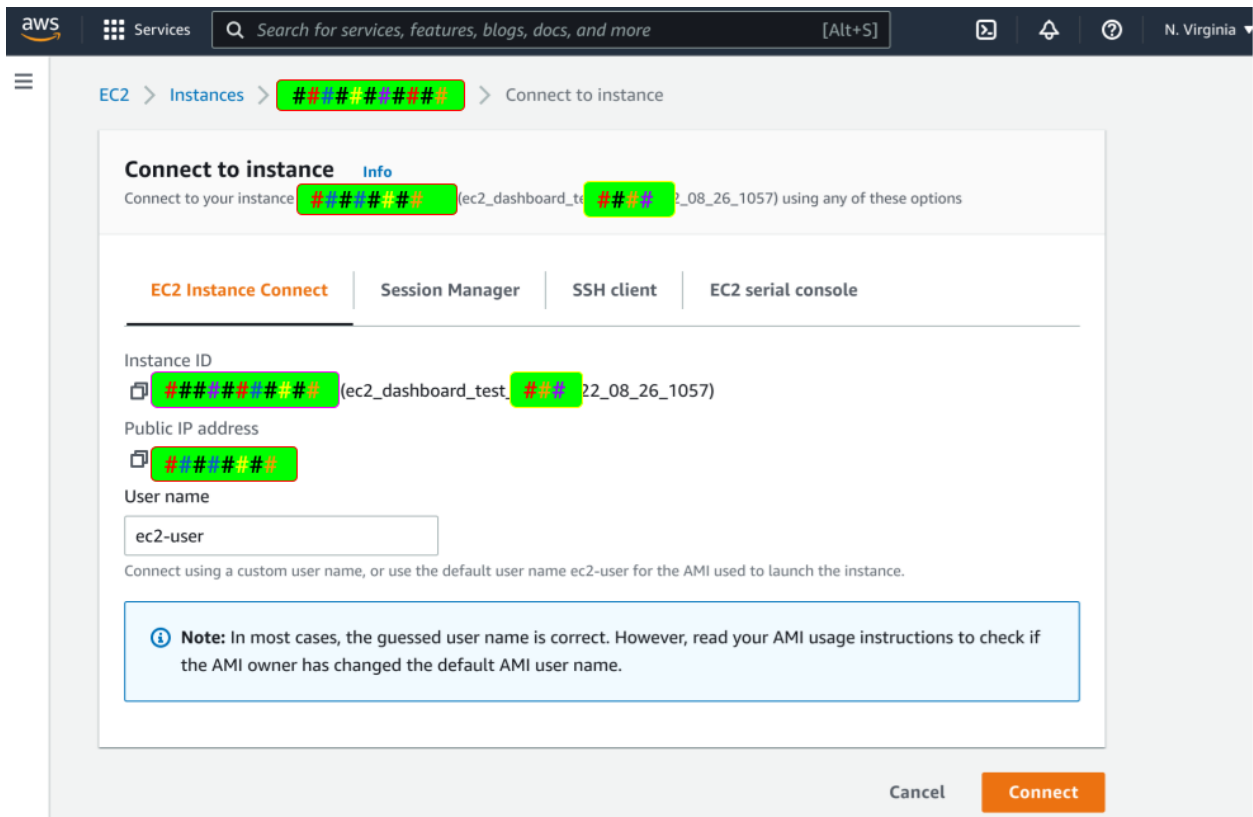
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...  
http://3.94.153.137:8050/  
or  
http://ec2-3-94-153-137.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8050/  
...
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Web Connect

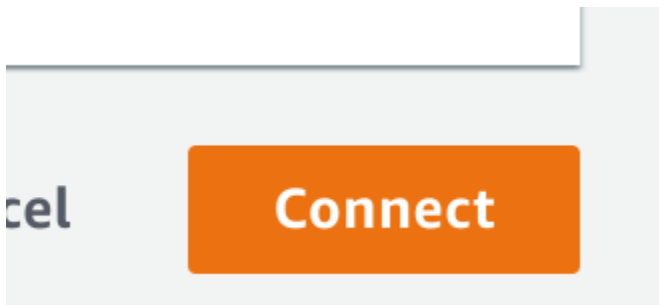
click on "connect"



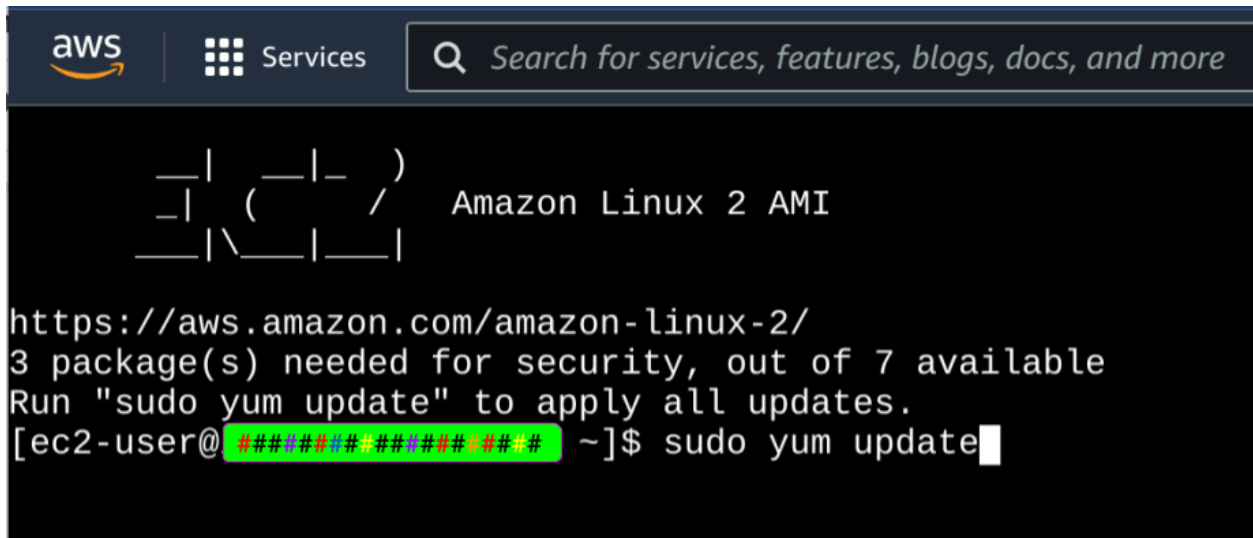
In the 'connect to instance' window
in the "EC2 Instance Connect" tab...



Click on "Connect" (the big orange button)...(dejavu?)



Like SSH but with no convoluted local aws-cli setup nightmare. (This is a good thing.)



Optional steps

You are effectively done, but you may want to run these lines, e.g. if you are going to get files from github

...

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$ sudo yum update -y
```

```
$ sudo yum install git -y
```

...

Reminder

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<http://3.94.153.137:8050/>

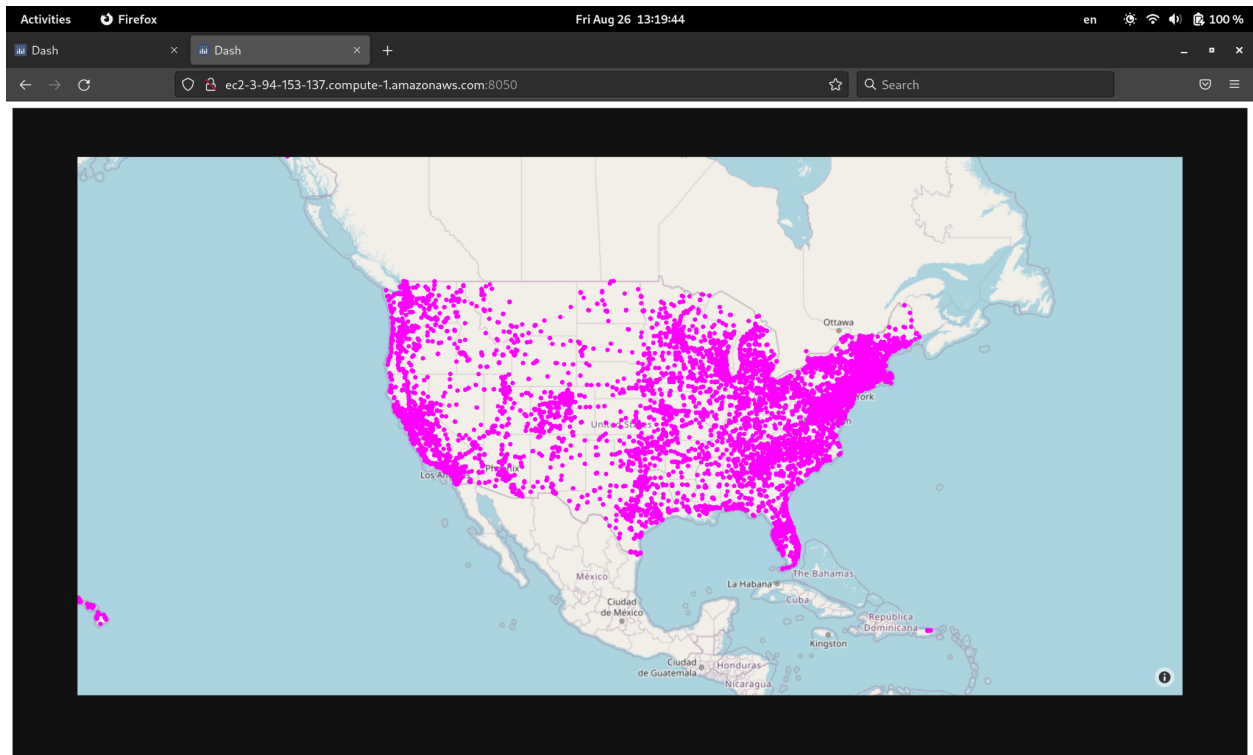
or

<http://ec2-3-94-153-137.compute-1.amazonaws.com:8050/>

...

Example:

EC2 deployed plotly dash app viewed in browser via public access setup:



Resources:

- <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/67166003/dash-app-not-working-when-deployed-on-amazon-ec2-instance>