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Tools and Technologies

1. AWS CLI

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/

AWS Command Line Interface (CLI) is a powerful tool that allows users to interact with AWS services directly from the terminal. It simplifies managing cloud resources by providing commands for a wide range of AWS services, enabling tasks such as provisioning, managing, and automating workflows with ease.

2. LocalStack

https://docs.localstack.cloud/

LocalStack is a fully functional, local testing environment for AWS services. It enables developers to simulate AWS services on their local machines, facilitating the development and testing of cloud-based applications without needing access to an actual AWS account.

3. Docker

https://docs.docker.com/

Docker is a containerization platform that allows developers to build, share, and run applications in isolated environments called containers. It ensures consistent environments across development, testing, and production by packaging the application and its dependencies together.

4. Boto3

https://boto3.amazonaws.com/v1/documentation/api/latest/index.html

Boto 3 is the official AWS SDK for Python, enabling developers to interact with AWS services programmatically. It provides a high-level, easy-to-use interface for managing AWS resources like S3, EC2, DynamoDB, and more.

5. Flask

https://flask.palletsprojects.com/

Flask is a lightweight and flexible Python web framework designed for building web applications and APIs. It follows a minimalistic approach, providing essential tools while allowing developers to add extensions as needed.

6. Nginx

https://nginx.org/en/

Nginx is a high-performance, open-source web server and reverse proxy server. It's designed for serving static content, load balancing, and handling high concurrency with minimal resource consumption. Nginx is widely used for improving web server scalability and security.

7. PostgreSQL

https://www.postgresql.org/

PostgreSQL is a powerful, open-source relational database management system (RDBMS). Known for its reliability, scalability, and support for advanced data types and performance

optimization features, PostgreSQL is widely used for complex applications requiring robust data integrity.

8. GitHub Actions

https://github.com/features/actions

GitHub Actions is a powerful CI/CD (Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment) tool integrated into GitHub. It allows developers to automate workflows directly in their repositories, enabling tasks such as testing, building, and deploying applications seamlessly.

Experiment 1

Aim: In this experiment, students will learn to understand the basics of cloud computing by setting up and configuring a virtual machine on a cloud platform such as AWS, Google Cloud, or Microsoft Azure.

Prerequisites:

- **Docker** A platform for developing, shipping, and running applications in containers.
- LocalStack A fully functional local cloud service emulator for AWS development.
- **AWS CLI** A command-line tool for managing AWS services and automation.
- System Requirements A computer with 8GB RAM and at least 16GB free space.

Key Concepts:

Virtual Machine (VM)

- **Definition:** Software-based emulation of a physical computer.
- **Isolation:** Runs in a secure, independent environment.
- Use Case: Ideal for cloud computing, testing, and deployment.

LocalStack

- **Purpose:** Locally simulates AWS cloud services.
- **Benefits:** Enables offline development and testing.
- **Integration:** Supports automation and CI/CD workflows.

AWS CLI

- Function: Command-line tool for managing AWS services.
- **Automation:** Enables scripting and infrastructure as code.
- Use Case: Efficient for deployment, monitoring, and automation.

Docker

- **Concept:** Platform for containerizing applications.
- **Efficiency:** Ensures consistency across environments.
- Use Case: Simplifies development, testing, and deployment.

Installation Guide:

Docker Setup

1. **Install Docker**: Download and install Docker Desktop from the official website. Enable WSL 2 if required.

- 2. **Verify Installation**: Run docker --version to confirm the installation.
- 3. **Start Docker**: Launch Docker Desktop and ensure it is running.
- 4. Enable WSL 2 (If Needed): Enable it from Docker Desktop settings under "General".

LocalStack Installation:

- 1. Install LocalStack:
 - Via pip: pip install localstack
 - o Via Docker: docker pull localstack/localstack
- 2. Start LocalStack:
 - Using Docker: docker run -d -p 4566:4566 localstack/localstack
 - If installed locally: localstack start
- 3. Install AWS CLI: pip install awscli
- 4. Configure AWS CLI:
 - o Run aws configure with test credentials.
 - Setx AWS_ENDPOINT_URL=http://localhost:4566 for LocalStack.

AWS CLI Output Formats

- **JSON** (default): Structured format, ideal for automation.
- **Table**: Human-readable, good for quick reviews.
- **Text**: Simple, suitable for scripts.
- Change format using aws configure or --output flag.

Troubleshooting

- LocalStack Connection Issues: Run docker ps to check running containers. Restart LocalStack if needed.
- Long Path Issue on Windows:
 - 1. Enable long paths via Registry (HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\FileSyste m).
 - 2. Enable via Group Policy (for Pro/Education editions).
 - 3. Restart the system and retry pip install localstack.

Starting Services:

1. Ensure the Service is Running

If LocalStack or another AWS emulator is being used, it's essential to confirm that it has started successfully.

For LocalStack:

localstack start

For Docker (if LocalStack is running via Docker):

docker run -p 4566:4566 -d localstack/localstack

After executing this, the following command can be used to confirm the container is running: docker ps

2. Verify Port Availability

To check if another service is using port 4566, the following command should be run: netstat -ano | find "4566"

If no output is returned, it indicates the port is free.

If output is returned, it's necessary to identify which process is using the port by executing: tasklist /FI "PID eq <PID>"

Replace <PID> with the process ID found from the netstat output.

3. Check Firewall or Antivirus Settings

It should be ensured that no firewall or antivirus software is blocking connections to port 4566. Temporarily disabling the firewall or antivirus can help in testing.

4. Confirm localhost Works

To check if localhost is working correctly on the system, the following command can be used:

ping localhost

LocalStack Container Image Download Process

The following output indicates that LocalStack is attempting to pull the container image localstack/localstack to run in Docker mode, which suggests that the setup is working up to this point. Here's what's happening:

C:\Users\rawat>docker images

REPOSITORY TAG IMAGE ID CREATED SIZE

Pulling container image localstack/localstack

What's Happening?

1. LocalStack CLI Detected Docker Mode:

[11:20:31] starting LocalStack in Docker mode confirms that LocalStack is trying to run using Docker.

2. Container Image Not Found Locally:

[11:25:13] container image not found on host indicates that Docker is downloading the localstack/localstack image from Docker Hub since it's not found locally.

3. Pulling the Container Image:

: Pulling container image localstack/localstack confirms that the image download process is ongoing.

What to Expect Next

If the internet connection is stable, Docker should complete the download in a few minutes. After the image is downloaded, LocalStack will initialize, and the services (e.g., S3, DynamoDB) will start. This will be confirmed by further logs.

How to Verify It's Working

1. After the image download is complete, the user can check if the container is running with the following command:

docker ps

The container should be listed with the name localstack.

2. To verify that LocalStack is running, the endpoint should be accessed: curl http://localhost:4566

A response should be returned, confirming that LocalStack is active.

Steps to Set Up a Virtual Machine in LocalStack:

1. Simulate EC2 Service

LocalStack emulates a limited set of EC2 functionalities. The goal is to create mock resources like key pairs, security groups, and instances.

2. Create a Key Pair

Use the AWS CLI to generate a key pair:

aws ec2 create-key-pair --key-name local-key --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

The output will include the generated public/private key pair.

3. Create a Security Group

Create a security group to define network rules:

aws ec2 create-security-group --group-name local-sg --description ''Local Security Group'' --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

4. Run an Instance

Launch a mock EC2 instance using:

aws ec2 run-instances --image-id ami-12345678 --count 1 --instance-type t2.micro --key-name local-key --security-group-ids sg-12345678 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

Replace ami-12345678 with an example AMI ID that is recognized by LocalStack.

Example Output:

Security Group ID: sg-2cd410ccd533c7f8b

Image ID: ami-a2678d778fc6

Command:

aws ec2 run-instances --image-id ami-a2678d778fc6 --count 1 --instance-type t2.micro --key-name local-key --security-group-ids sg-2cd410ccd533c7f8b --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What Happens When You Run This Command?

- AWS CLI creates a single EC2 instance based on ami-a2678d778fc6.
- The instance is t2.micro, suitable for low-resource tasks.
- Uses local-key key pair for SSH access.
- sg-2cd410ccd533c7f8b security group manages traffic.
- Endpoint URL directs requests to the specified AWS service.

Example Use Case

Set up a local test server (e.g., Ubuntu) with a custom AWS endpoint (http://localhost:4566) and controlled security settings.

5. List Instances

Verify the instance creation:

aws ec2 describe-instances --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we have successfully executed the necessary steps to set up and simulate an EC2 instance using LocalStack. We created a key pair, defined a security group, launched a mock instance, and verified its status using AWS CLI commands.

The output for all the executed commands is provided on the next page for reference.

Experiment 1 Output

Running AWS using Localstack



Fig 1: Starting Localstack in the Console

Creating a New Instance



Fig 3: Docker Images and New Instances

Running Docker

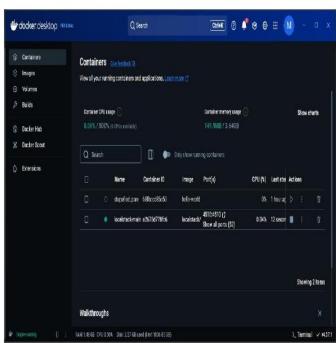


Fig 2: Docker for Desktop in windows

Starting Virtual Machine



Fig 4: Virtual Machine & Working

Experiment 2

Aim: This experiment enables students to deploy a basic web application on a cloud server using services like AWS EC2, where they will practice deploying applications on the cloud infrastructure.

```
Web Application(Flask App Code):
Description:
This Flask application interacts with AWS EC2, fetching instance details
and providing a simple API endpoint for cloud deployment testing.
*****
# Importing Required Libraries
from flask import Flask, jsonify
import boto3
import socket
import logging
import os
# Initialize Flask application
app = Flask(__name__)
# Determine if the app is running on LocalStack or AWS
if os.environ.get("LOCALSTACK_URL"):
  endpoint_url = "http://localhost:4566" # LocalStack endpoint for testing locally
else:
  endpoint_url = None # Use AWS default endpoints in a real cloud environment
# Initialize EC2 client using boto3
ec2 = boto3.client(
  "ec2", region_name="us-east-1", endpoint_url=endpoint_url
) # Uses LocalStack if applicable
# Enable logging for debugging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG)
@app.route("/")
def home():
  *****
```

```
Home route that returns a welcome message.
  *****
  return "Hello, Cloud Deployment!"
@app.route("/instance-stats")
def instance_stats():
  *****
  Fetches and returns metadata of an EC2 instance.
  If running in LocalStack, it will return mock data.
  try:
    logging.debug("Fetching EC2 instance metadata...")
    # Fetch EC2 instance stats using boto3
    response = ec2.describe_instances()
    # Log API response for debugging
    logging.debug(f"API Response: {response}")
    if not response["Reservations"]:
      logging.warning("No EC2 instances found in the response.")
    # Retrieve the first instance's information
    instance_info = response["Reservations"][0]["Instances"][0]
    logging.debug(f"Instance Info: {instance_info}")
    instance_stats = {
       "Instance ID": instance_info["InstanceId"],
       "Instance Type": instance_info["InstanceType"],
      "Public IP": instance_info.get("PublicIpAddress", "N/A"),
       "State": instance_info["State"]["Name"],
       "Region": "us-east-1",
    logging.debug(f"Returning instance stats: {instance_stats}")
    return jsonify(instance_stats)
  except Exception as e:
    logging.error(f"Error: {str(e)}")
    return jsonify({"error": str(e)})
```

Run the application

```
if __name__ == ''__main__'':
    app.run(host=''0.0.0.0'', port=5000)
```

Steps to Deploy a Web Application in LocalStack:

1. Creating a Resource in API Gateway

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway create-resource \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
--parent-id regpu0mm3f \
--path-part "flaskapp"
```

Explanation:

- create-resource: Creates a new resource in API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566: Points to the LocalStack endpoint.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl: ID of the API Gateway to add the resource to.
- --parent-id regpu0mm3f: ID of the parent resource (usually the root /).
- --path-part "flaskapp": Specifies the path (/flaskapp) for the new resource.

Output Breakdown:

Key Value id bsw1umubix parentId regpu0mm3f path /flaskapp pathPart flaskapp

2. Creating an HTTP Method (GET) for the Resource

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway put-method \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
--resource-id bsw1umubix \
--http-method GET \
```

--authorization-type NONE

Explanation:

- Adds a GET method to the /flaskapp resource.
- No authorization required (authorization-type NONE).

Output Breakdown:

KeyValueapiKeyRequiredFalseauthorizationTypeNONEhttpMethodGET

3. Integrating API Gateway with a Backend Service

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway put-integration \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
--resource-id bsw1umubix \
--http-method GET \
--integration-http-method GET \
--type HTTP_PROXY \
--uri http://localhost:5000/
```

Explanation:

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• Proxies the GET method to the Flask backend at http://localhost:5000/.

Output Breakdown:

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httpMethod	GET
type	HTTP_PROXY
uri	http://localhost:5000/
passthroughBehavior	WHEN_NO_MATCH
timeoutInMillis	29000

Value

4. Deploying the API Gateway

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway create-deployment \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
--stage-name prod
```

Explanation:

• Deploys the API under the prod stage.

Output Breakdown:

Key Value

createdDate 1738825514.0

id fpmrktu41t

Here is a detailed explanation of each command and the associated output you've shared:

5. Retrieving API Gateway Stage Information

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway get-stage \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
--stage-name prod
```

Explanation:

- This command retrieves information about a specific stage (prod) of a REST API hosted on **LocalStack** (a local AWS emulator).
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566: Points the AWS CLI to LocalStack instead of AWS cloud.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl: Specifies the ID of the API.
- --stage-name prod: Specifies the name of the stage whose details are being fetched.

Output Breakdown:

- stageName: The name of the stage (in this case, "prod").
- deploymentId: ID of the current deployment associated with this stage.
- tracingEnabled: Whether AWS X-Ray tracing is enabled for this stage (False here).
- cacheClusterEnabled: Indicates if caching is enabled (False).
- cacheClusterStatus: The current status of the cache cluster (not available).

6. Testing the Flask Application

Command:

curl http://localhost:5000/instance-stats

Explanation:

- This command sends a **GET** request using curl to the Flask application running locally on port 5000.
- /instance-stats is a route in the Flask app, expected to return instance information in JSON format.

Sample Output:

```
"Instance ID": "i-6c9d5e3fa4c23d261",

"Instance Type": "t2.micro",

"Public IP": "54.214.36.25",

"Region": "us-east-1",

"State": "running"
```

- This response typically mimics AWS EC2 instance metadata and is likely mocked or fetched by the Flask app.
- Each key represents a piece of metadata about an instance (possibly fetched using boto3 in the backend).

7. Retrieving API Gateway Resources

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway get-resources \
--rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl
```

Explanation:

- This command lists all the resources defined in a REST API on LocalStack.
- --rest-api-id: Specifies the ID of the API whose resources you want to list.

Resource Breakdown:

- 1. Root Resource /
 - o id: regpu0mm3f: Unique identifier for the root path.

2. /flaskapp Resource

o id: bsw1umubix: Unique ID for this specific resource.

- o parentId: regpu0mm3f: Indicates it is a child of the root resource.
- o path: /flaskapp: The resource path.
- o httpMethod: GET: Specifies the HTTP method supported (GET).
- type: HTTP_PROXY: Indicates this resource is set up as a **proxy integration**, forwarding requests to a backend.
- o url: http://localhost:5000/: The backend endpoint this resource is proxied to, which is your Flask app.

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we have successfully executed the necessary steps to set up and deploy a web application using **API Gateway** and a **Flask backend**, simulated through **LocalStack**. We created an API resource, configured an HTTP method, integrated it with the Flask app using HTTP proxy integration, and deployed it under a named stage.

The application was successfully tested using curl, and all configurations were validated via AWS CLI commands.

The output for all executed commands is provided on the next page for reference.

Experiment 2 Output

Running AWS using Localstack



Fig 1: Starting Localstack in the Console

Deploying a Flask App

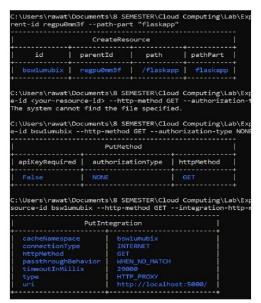


Fig 3: AWS New Instances and deployment of Flask App

Running Docker

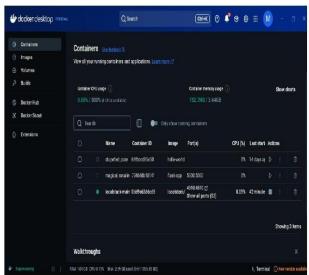


Fig 2: Docker for Desktop in windows

Configuration and Resources



Fig 4: Instance Id & Resources



Fig 5: Flask and Cloud Output

Experiment 3

Aim: Students will explore cloud storage services such as AWS S3, Google Cloud Storage, or Microsoft Azure Blob Storage to store and retrieve data, learning how to manage cloud-based data storage.

What is AWS S3?

Amazon S3 (Simple Storage Service) is an object storage service that offers scalability, security, and high availability. It allows users to store and retrieve any amount of data at any time, making it ideal for:

- Backups
- Website hosting
- Data lakes

Key Features:

- Secure and highly available storage solution
- Supports various storage classes for cost optimization
- Provides strong access control and encryption options
- Integrates seamlessly with other AWS services

Use Cases for S3

- Storing images, videos, and static website assets
- Hosting static websites and content delivery
- Backup and disaster recovery solutions
- Log storage for analytics and monitoring
- Machine learning and big data storage

S3 Storage Types

Storage Class	Use Case
S3 Standard	Frequently accessed data
S3 Intelligent-Tiering	Automatic cost optimization based on usage
S3 Standard-IA	Infrequent access, lower cost
S3 Glacier	Long-term archival storage
S3 One Zone-IA	Infrequent access in a single availability zone

Steps to Use S3 in Localstack:

Step 1: Start LocalStack

• Use one of the following to start LocalStack:

localstack start

Or with Docker:

docker run --rm -it -p 4566:4566 localstack/localstack

- Start Docker Desktop and wait until it shows "Docker is running".
- LocalStack simulates AWS services on port **4566** for local development.

Step 2: Creating an S3 Bucket in LocalStack

Commands:

1. List Existing Buckets:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 ls

2. Create a New Bucket:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 mb s3://my-test-bucket

3. List Buckets Again:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 ls

Explanation:

- LocalStack emulates AWS services without needing an AWS account.
- localhost:4566 acts as the endpoint for CLI/API requests.
- CLI outputs confirm the creation and listing of the bucket.

Step 3: Store and Access Images & CSV in S3

1. Upload Files:

Navigate to your directory:

cd "C:\Users\rawat\Documents\8 SEMESTER\Cloud Computing\Lab\Experiment 3\Items"

Upload all files:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 cp . s3://my-test-bucket/ --recursive

2. List Uploaded Files:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 ls s3://my-test-bucket/

Expected output:

2025-02-18 10:30:00 12345 image1.jpg

2025-02-18 10:30:01 67890 image2.png

2025-02-18 10:30:02 45678 data.csv

3. Download Files:

CSV File:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 cp s3://my-test-bucket/data.csv

Images:

 $aws \quad \hbox{--endpoint-url=http://localhost:} 4566 \quad \hbox{--region} \quad us-east-1 \quad s3 \quad cp \quad s3://my-test-bucket/image1.jpg \; .$

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 cp s3://my-test-bucket/image2.png .

Download to Specific Path:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 --region us-east-1 s3 cp s3://my-test-bucket/Sample_Housing_CSV_File.csv

"C:\Users\rawat\Downloads\Sample_Housing_CSV_File.csv"

To verify:

dir "C:\Users\rawat\Downloads\Sample_Housing_CSV_File.csv"

4. Print CSV Content:

Windows:

type data.csv

macOS/Linux:

cat data.csv

Expected Output:

Name, Age, City

Alice, 25, New Delhi

Bob, 30, Mumbai

5. Open Images for Viewing:

Windows:

start image1.jpg

start image2.png

macOS:
open image1.jpg
open image2.png
Linux:
xdg-open image1.jpg
xdg-open image2.png

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we successfully set up an S3 bucket using LocalStack, uploaded data (images and a CSV file), and verified both upload and retrieval using the AWS CLI. This demonstrated the power and simplicity of working with cloud storage services like Amazon S3 locally using LocalStack.

The output for all executed commands is provided on the next page for reference.

Experiment 3 Output

Running AWS using Localstack



Fig 1: Starting Localstack in the Console Creating and Storing Data in S3 Bucket



Fig 3: S3 Bucket and contents

Running Docker

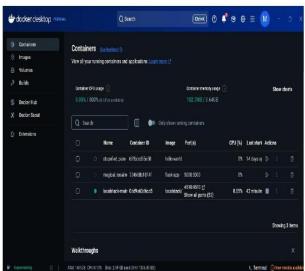


Fig 2: Docker for Desktop in windows

Contents in Bucket

C:\Users\rawat\Documents\8 SEMESTER\Cloud Computing\Lab\Exprice,area,bedrooms,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,mainroad,guestroom,bathrooms,stories,ma

Fig 4: Printing CSV File





Fig 5: Images Output

Experiment 4

Aim: In this experiment, students will configure and manage networking services in the cloud, such as creating Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) and subnets on cloud platforms like AWS, Google Cloud, or Azure.

Overview of Virtual Private Cloud (VPC):

A **Virtual Private Cloud (VPC)** is a customizable virtual network within the AWS cloud that allows you to manage networking resources securely and privately. It enables the creation of isolated cloud networks and offers complete control over IP address ranges, routing, and connectivity.

- Allows the creation of isolated networks in the cloud
- Provides control over IP address ranges and routing
- Enables creation of public and private subnets
- Facilitates secure, private communication between instances

Key Components of a VPC

A VPC consists of essential components that support a secure and scalable networking environment:

- **Subnets**: Segment the network into smaller, manageable sections
- Internet Gateway (IGW): Provides internet access for public-facing resources
- **Route Tables**: Direct traffic within the VPC and to/from the internet
- NAT Gateway: Allows private subnet instances to access the internet
- Security Groups & Network ACLs: Define inbound and outbound traffic permissions for resources

Setting Up a VPC in LocalStack

Step 1: Start LocalStack

Start LocalStack using one of the following methods:

Using the CLI:

localstack start

Using Docker:

docker run --rm -it -p 4566:4566 localstack/localstack

Ensure Docker is Running:

Open Docker Desktop and wait until it displays "Docker is running."

LocalStack will simulate AWS services on **port 4566**, allowing local development without needing an actual AWS account.

Step 2: Create a Virtual Private Cloud (VPC)

Create a VPC (Virtual Private Cloud) to define a private network:

aws ec2 create-vpc --cidr-block 10.0.0.0/16 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What This Does:

- Defines a private network (10.0.0.0/16) for AWS resources.
- Returns a VPC ID (e.g., "VpcId": "vpc-123456"), which is required for the next steps.

Step 3: Create a Subnet

A subnet allows instances to communicate within the VPC:

aws ec2 create-subnet --vpc-id vpc-123456 --cidr-block 10.0.1.0/24 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What This Does:

- Creates a smaller network (10.0.1.0/24) within the VPC.
- Returns a Subnet ID (e.g., "SubnetId": "subnet-123456"), which is needed for later steps.

Step 4: Create and Attach an Internet Gateway

An Internet Gateway (IGW) allows resources in the subnet to access the internet.

Create the Internet Gateway:

aws ec2 create-internet-gateway --endpoint-url=% AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

Attach the Internet Gateway to the VPC:

aws ec2 attach-internet-gateway --internet-gateway-id igw-123456 --vpc-id vpc-123456 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What This Does:

- Enables instances in the VPC to communicate with the internet.
- Returns an Internet Gateway ID (e.g., "InternetGatewayId": "igw-123456").

Step 5: Configure Routing for Internet Access

To allow traffic to and from the internet, a Route Table must be created and updated.

Create a Route Table for the VPC:

aws ec2 create-route-table --vpc-id vpc-123456 --endpoint-url=% AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

Add a Default Route to Enable Internet Access:

aws ec2 create-route --route-table-id rtb-123456 --destination-cidr-block 0.0.0.0/0 --gateway-id igw-123456 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

Associate the Route Table with the Subnet:

aws ec2 associate-route-table --route-table-id rtb-123456 --subnet-id subnet-123456 --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What This Does:

- Defines a default route (0.0.0.0/0) to allow internet access.
- Links the route table to the subnet so instances can use the Internet Gateway.

Step 6: Verify the Configuration

List All VPCs:

aws ec2 describe-vpcs --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

List All Subnets:

aws ec2 describe-subnets --endpoint-url=%AWS_ENDPOINT_URL%

What This Does:

- Confirms the VPC and subnets have been successfully created and configured.
- Ensures all components (VPC, subnet, IGW, and routing) are correctly set up.

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we learned about the concept and components of a Virtual Private Cloud (VPC). We implemented a VPC setup locally using LocalStack, simulating key AWS services. Through this, we gained hands-on experience in creating subnets, internet gateways, and routing configurations.

The output for all executed commands is provided on the next page for reference.

Experiment 4 Output

Starting VPC



Fig 1: VPC Setup

Creating a Route Table



Fig 3: Route Table and Creating new Routes

Creating Subnet and API Gateway



Fig 2: Subnet and API Gateway Setup

Listing Subnets and Connections

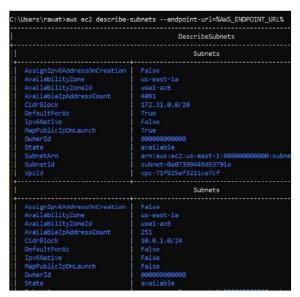


Fig 4: List of Subnets

Experiment 5

Aim: This experiment provides students with hands-on experience in serverless computing by creating a serverless function using AWS Lambda, Google Cloud Functions, or Azure Functions, enabling them to understand the serverless paradigm.

Serverless Computing and AWS Lambda:

What is Serverless Computing?

Serverless computing refers to a cloud computing model where the cloud provider manages the infrastructure and automatically allocates resources as needed. The term "serverless" does not mean that there are no servers involved; rather, it means that the responsibility of managing servers is abstracted away from the developer. The cloud provider handles provisioning, scaling, and managing the servers, allowing the developer to focus on building and deploying the application code.

What is AWS Lambda?

AWS Lambda is a serverless compute service provided by Amazon Web Services (AWS) that allows users to run code without provisioning or managing servers. With AWS Lambda, developers can focus solely on writing the code for their applications, while AWS automatically handles the infrastructure, scaling, and maintenance.

Creation of a Lambda Function with LocalStack:

1. Creating the Lambda Function:

To create a Lambda function using LocalStack, the first step involves writing the Lambda function code. The function will be triggered by an event and should return a simple response.

Example Lambda Function Code (lambda_function.py):

```
def lambda_handler(event, context):
    return {
        'statusCode': 200,
        'body': 'Hello from LocalStack Lambda!'
    }
```

This function will output a basic response with a 200 OK status code when invoked.

2. Deploying the Lambda Function:

Before deploying the Lambda function, the Python code needs to be packaged into a ZIP file. This ZIP file will be used to deploy the function to LocalStack.

Steps for Packaging the Lambda Function (on Windows):

- i. Navigate to the directory where your lambda_function.py file is located.
- ii. Right-click the lambda_function.py file and select Send to > Compressed (zipped) folder

from the context menu.

iii. Rename the resulting .zip file to function.zip.

After the Lambda function is packaged, it is ready for deployment.

3. Checking the Function Creation Status:

After the Lambda function is deployed, its status can be checked to ensure it has been successfully created. Initially, the status might be in a Pending state, indicating that LocalStack is still processing the request to create the function.

Command to Check the Function's Status:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 lambda get-function --function-name myLambdaFunction

If the function is still in the Pending state, wait for a few moments before checking again. Once the function's status is Active or Available, it can be invoked.

4. Invoking the Lambda Function:

After the function is in the Active state, it can be invoked using the AWS CLI. The invocation will trigger the Lambda function and return the response in a file (in this case, output.txt).

Command to Invoke the Function:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 lambda invoke --function-name myLambdaFunction output.txt

Docker Image for Lambda:

docker pull public.ecr.aws/lambda/python:3.8

Once this command is executed, Docker will download the required Python 3.8 Lambda image. Below is the expected output when the image is successfully pulled:

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5\Codes>docker pull public.ecr.aws/lambda/python:3.8

3.8: Pulling from lambda/python

bc2b3a540f9b: Pull complete

7e7a8ab075f3: Pull complete

eb63e7acde8e: Pull complete

35e8cd243a50: Pull complete

d4160264f321: Pull complete

32e94a394cab: Pull complete

Digest: sha256:93e78742873d3ad0c28582366b217ce5169889f4d63d61179598c2a3dc6142ff

Status: Downloaded newer image for public.ecr.aws/lambda/python:3.8

public.ecr.aws/lambda/python:3.8

Command to Create the Lambda Function:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 lambda create-function \

- --function-name myLambdaFunction \
- --runtime python3.8 \

- --role arn:aws:iam::00000000000:role/execution role \
- --handler lambda function.lambda handler \
- --zip-file fileb://lambda_function.zip

Breakdown of the command:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566:
 This specifies that the AWS CLI should interact with LocalStack rather than the actual AWS cloud. localhost:4566 is the default endpoint for LocalStack's services.

2. lambda create-function:

This is the AWS CLI command used to create a new Lambda function.

- 3. --function-name myLambdaFunction:
 This specifies the name of the Lambda function being created. In this case, the function is named myLambdaFunction.
- 4. --runtime python3.8: Show the version of python

Viewing the Output:

aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 lambda invoke --function-name myLambdaFunction output.txt

Command to View the Output:

type output.txt

Expected Output:

{"statusCode": 200, "body": "Hello from LocalStack Lambda!"}

Explanation of the Output:

The content of the output.txt file is a JSON response returned by the Lambda function:

- 1. statusCode: 200:
 - This indicates that the Lambda function executed successfully and returned an HTTP status code of 200, which signifies a successful response.
- 2. body: "Hello from LocalStack Lambda!":
 - This is the body of the response. It contains the message "Hello from LocalStack Lambda!", which was defined in the Lambda function. This message is returned as part of the response when the function is triggered.

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we successfully set up and deployed an AWS Lambda function using LocalStack. We created, packaged, deployed, and invoked the function locally without needing access to the actual AWS cloud.

The output for all the executed commands is provided on the next page for reference.

Experiment 5 Output

Creating Lambda Function

Fig 1: VPC Setup

Listing working Functions

ListFunctions		
	Functions	
CodeSha256 CodeSize Description FunctionArn FunctionName Handler LastModified MemorySize PackageType RevisionId Role Runtime Timeout Version	G16xwAmelqgPBfzQVMlj7SR/dZS51TV2WSY8mGqvvRw= 312 arn:aws:lambda:us-east-1:900000000000:function:m myLambdaFunction lambda_function.lambda_handler 2025-02-18T14:59:44.179009+0000 128 2ip 63fa356-804e-4b8c-94c6-a8b3e65e6d02 arn:aws:iam::000000000000:role/execution_role python3.8 3 5LATEST	
1	Architectures	
x86_64		
 	EphemeralStorage	
Size	512	
	LoggingConfig	
LogFormat LogGroup	Text /aws/lambda/myLambdaFunction	
	SnanStant	

Fig 3: Lambda working Function

Pulling Amazon ECR for execution

C:\Users\rawat\Documents\8 SEM		ud Computing\Lab
3.8: Pulling from lambda/pytho	on	
bc2b3a540f9b: Pull complete		
7e7a8ab075f3: Pull complete		
eb63e7acde8e: Pull complete		
35e8cd243a50: Pull complete		
d4160264f321: Pull complete		
32e94a394cab: Pull complete		
Digest: sha256:93e78742873d3ad	l0c2858236	6b217ce5169889f4c
Status: Downloaded newer image	for publ	ic.ecr.aws/lambda
public.ecr.aws/lambda/python:	3.8	
C:\Users\rawat\Documents\8 SEM	MESTER\Clo	ud Computing\Lab\
REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID
flask-app	latest	269bf42596ed
<none></none>	<none></none>	44b808030263
<none></none>	<none></none>	063caad47b0a
localstack/localstack	latest	b686f3948f42
hello-world	latest	74cc54e27dc4
public.ecr.aws/lambda/python	3.8	348b357f1c82

Fig 2: Docker Pulling and Output Image

Lambda Function invoking with Payload



Fig 4: Lambda Function Output

Resources

1. GitHub Repository: Cloud Computing

This repository focuses on cloud computing and demonstrates how to set up virtual machines, S3, and other services using LocalStack. It provides a comprehensive guide to simulating AWS services locally for development and testing purposes. Additionally, it contains detailed documentation for every experiment conducted.

Link: https://github.com/madhurimarawat/Cloud-Computing

2. <u>LocalStack Official Documentation</u>

This resource provides in-depth guidance on setting up and using LocalStack to emulate AWS cloud services for development and testing.

Link: https://docs.localstack.cloud/

3. AWS Documentation

The official AWS documentation offers detailed explanations, best practices, and tutorials for working with various AWS services, including EC2, S3, Lambda, and more.

Link: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/

4. Cloud Computing Concepts - Coursera

A well-structured online course that covers fundamental cloud computing concepts, including virtualization, networking, and cloud service models like IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS.

Link: https://www.coursera.org/learn/cloud-computing

5. Dev.to Series: Cloud Experiments

This series on Dev.to by documents various cloud computing experiments, including the use of LocalStack, AWS CLI, and S3 storage. It serves as a practical reference for learners and developers exploring local cloud service simulations.

Link: https://dev.to/madhurima_rawat/series/31049