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Deploying Cloud Server Using LocalStack and EC2

This document explains how to deploy a cloud server using LocalStack, AWS API Gateway, and EC2, with a detailed breakdown of commands and outputs.

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:

- aws apigateway create-resource \rightarrow Creates a new resource in an API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Specifies the LocalStack endpoint, as we are using a local AWS environment.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → The API Gateway identifier where this resource will be added.
- --parent-id regpu@mm3f → Specifies the parent resource under which the new resource will be created.
- --path-part "flaskapp" \rightarrow Defines the URL path for the new resource (i.e., /flaskapp).

Output:

Breakdown of Output:

- id \rightarrow Unique identifier (bsw1umubix) assigned to the newly created resource.
- parentId → Shows the parent resource ID (regpu0mm3f).
- path → Displays the full path of the new resource (/flaskapp).

• pathPart → Represents the last segment of the path (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:

- aws apigateway put-method → Adds an HTTP method (GET) to a resource in API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Directs the command to the LocalStack environment.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Specifies the API Gateway in which to define the method.
- --resource-id bsw1umubix → Identifies the resource (/flaskapp) to which this method applies.
- --http-method GET → Defines the HTTP method (GET in this case).
- --authorization-type NONE → Indicates that no authentication is required for this API method.

Output:

Breakdown of Output:

- apiKeyRequired → Indicates whether an API key is needed (False means no API key is required).
- authorizationType → Shows the authentication type (NONE , meaning public access is allowed).
- httpMethod → Displays the HTTP method assigned to the resource (GET).

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:

- aws apigateway put-integration → Configures the integration of API Gateway with an external HTTP backend.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack instead of AWS.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl → Identifies the API Gateway.
- --resource-id bsw1umubix → Links the integration to the /flaskapp resource.
- --http-method GET → Specifies that this integration applies to GET requests.
- --integration-http-method GET → Defines the method used to invoke the backend.
- --type HTTP_PROXY → Specifies a direct proxy integration.
- --uri http://localhost:5000/ → Defines the backend endpoint to which requests should be forwarded.

Output:

```
PutIntegration

| cacheNamespace | bsw1umubix |
| connectionType | INTERNET |
| httpMethod | GET |
| passthroughBehavior | WHEN_NO_MATCH |
| timeoutInMillis | 29000 |
| type | HTTP_PROXY |
| uri | http://localhost:5000/
```

4. Deploying the API Gateway

Command:

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

Explanation:

- aws apigateway create-deployment → Deploys the configured API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack instead of AWS.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Identifies the API Gateway to deploy.
- --stage-name prod → Creates a deployment under the prod stage.

Output:

```
| CreateDeployment | +-----+ | createdDate | id | +-----+ | 1738825514.0 | fpmrktu41t | +-----+
```

Summary

These steps successfully set up an API Gateway resource <code>/flaskapp</code> , linked it to a <code>GET</code> method, integrated it with a backend service, and deployed it under the <code>prod</code> stage using LocalStack.

5. Retrieving API Gateway Stage Information

Command:

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

Explanation:

- aws apigateway get-stage → Retrieves information about a specific deployment stage in API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack instead of AWS.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl → Specifies the API Gateway for which the stage details are needed.

--stage-name prod → Retrieves details for the prod stage.

Output:

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Breakdown of Output:

- cacheClusterEnabled → Indicates if caching is enabled (False means caching is not used).
- cacheClusterStatus → Shows the status of the cache cluster (NOT_AVAILABLE as caching is disabled).
- deploymentId → ID of the deployed stage (fpmrktu41t).
- description → Empty field, as no description was provided.
- stageName → Name of the deployed stage (prod).
- tracingEnabled → Indicates whether AWS X-Ray tracing is enabled (False means disabled).

6. Testing the Flask Application

Command:

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

Explanation:

- curl → Sends a request to the specified URL.
- http://localhost:5000/instance-stats → Calls the Flask application endpoint to fetch instance statistics.

Output:

Breakdown of Output:

- Instance ID → Unique identifier of the running EC2 instance.
- Instance Type → Specifies the EC2 instance type (t2.micro).
- Public IP → Shows the public IP address assigned to the instance.
- Region → Displays the AWS region (us-east-1).
- State → Current state of the instance (running).

7. Retrieving API Gateway Resources

Command:

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

Explanation:

- aws apigateway get-resources → Fetches all resources associated with the specified API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack instead of AWS.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Identifies the API Gateway.

Output:

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cacheNamespace	bsw1umubix	
connectionType	INTERNET	
httpMethod	GET	
passthroughBehavior	WHEN_NO_MATCH	
timeoutInMillis	29000	
type	HTTP_PROXY	
uri	http://localhost:5000/	
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Breakdown of Output:

Resources:

- The first resource (id: regpu0mm3f):
 - Represents the root (/) of the API Gateway.
- The second resource (id: bsw1umubix):
 - Represents the /flaskapp endpoint.

Methods (GET):

- apiKeyRequired → No API key required (False).
- authorizationType → Publicly accessible (NONE).
- httpMethod → Specifies that GET is available.

Integration Details:

- cacheNamespace → Identifies the cache scope.
- connectionType → The API Gateway is connected to an external HTTP service (INTERNET).
- httpMethod → The backend request method is GET.
- passthroughBehavior → Determines how the request is handled if it doesn't match a known route (WHEN_NO_MATCH).
- timeoutInMillis → API request timeout is set to 29,000 ms (29 seconds).
- type \rightarrow Uses HTTP_PROXY , meaning requests are forwarded to the backend without modifications.

• uri → The backend service URL (http://localhost:5000/), which points to the Flask app.

8. Creating a Resource for Instance Stats

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway create-resource \
    --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
    --parent-id bsw1umubix \
    --path-part "instance-stats"
```

Explanation:

- aws apigateway create-resource → Creates a new resource within an API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack instead of AWS.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Specifies the API Gateway to add the resource.
- --parent-id bsw1umubix → Identifies /flaskapp as the parent resource.
- --path-part "instance-stats" → Creates a subpath under /flaskapp.

Output:

```
CreateResource |

id | parentId | path | pathPart |

glsyl3hnnj| bsw1umubix | /flaskapp/instance-stats | instance-stats |
```

Breakdown of Output:

- id → Unique identifier for the new resource (glsyl3hnnj).
- parentId → Shows the parent resource ID (bsw1umubix).
- path → Displays the full path (/flaskapp/instance-stats).
- pathPart → Represents the last segment of the path (instance-stats).

9. Adding a GET Method to the Instance Stats Resource

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway put-method \
    --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
    --resource-id glsyl3hnnj \
    --http-method GET \
    --authorization-type NONE
```

Explanation:

- aws apigateway put-method → Defines an HTTP method for a resource.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl → Identifies the API Gateway.
- --resource-id glsyl3hnnj → Specifies the /flaskapp/instance-stats resource.
- --http-method GET → Adds a GET method.
- --authorization-type NONE → No authentication is required.

Output:

Breakdown of Output:

- apiKeyRequired → No API key required (False).
- authorizationType → Publicly accessible (NONE).
- httpMethod → Specifies that GET is available.

10. Integrating API Gateway with the Instance Stats Backend

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway put-integration \
    --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
    --resource-id glsyl3hnnj \
    --http-method GET \
    --integration-http-method GET \
```

```
--type HTTP_PROXY \
--uri http://localhost:5000/instance-stats
```

Explanation:

- aws apigateway put-integration → Configures API Gateway to forward requests to a backend service.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Identifies the API Gateway.
- --resource-id glsyl3hnnj → Links integration to /flaskapp/instance-stats.
- --http-method GET → Applies the integration to GET requests.
- --integration-http-method GET → Uses GET for backend requests.
- --type HTTP_PROXY → Passes requests directly to the backend.
- --uri http://localhost:5000/instance-stats → Specifies the Flask backend service URL.

Output:

		PutIntegration	- +
	<pre>cacheNamespace connectionType httpMethod passthroughBehavior timeoutInMillis type uri</pre>	glsyl3hnnj INTERNET GET WHEN_NO_MATCH 29000 HTTP_PROXY http://localhost:5000/instance-stats	

Breakdown of Output:

- cacheNamespace → Identifies the cache for this resource.
- connectionType → The API Gateway is connected to an external HTTP service (INTERNET).
- httpMethod → The backend request method is GET.
- passthroughBehavior → Defines how unmatched requests are handled (WHEN_NO_MATCH).
- timeoutInMillis → API request timeout is 29,000 ms.
- type → Uses HTTP_PROXY, meaning requests are forwarded without modifications.
- uri → The backend service URL (http://localhost:5000/instance-stats).

11. Deploying the Updated API Gateway

Command:

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

Explanation:

- aws apigateway create-deployment → Deploys the latest changes to API Gateway.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack.
- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl → Identifies the API Gateway.
- --stage-name prod → Deploys under the prod stage.

Output:

```
| CreateDeployment | +-----+ | createdDate | id | +-----+ | 1738826210.0 | 8bku2hvst8 | +-----+
```

Breakdown of Output:

- createdDate → Timestamp of the deployment (1738826210.0).
- id → Unique identifier for this deployment (8bku2hvst8).

12. Verifying the Integration of Instance Stats API

Command:

```
aws --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 apigateway get-integration \
    --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyxl \
    --resource-id glsyl3hnnj \
    --http-method GET
```

Explanation:

- aws apigateway get-integration → Retrieves integration details for a specific API method.
- --endpoint-url=http://localhost:4566 → Uses LocalStack.

- --rest-api-id rbx2kdpyx1 → Identifies the API Gateway.
- --resource-id glsyl3hnnj → Specifies the /flaskapp/instance-stats resource.
- --http-method GET \rightarrow Retrieves integration details for GET .

Output:



Breakdown of Output:

- Confirms that API Gateway successfully integrates with the Flask backend at /instance-stats.
- Shows that all GET requests will be forwarded to http://localhost:5000/instance-stats.

These steps successfully set up an API Gateway endpoint <code>/flaskapp/instance-stats</code> , linked it to a <code>GET</code> method, integrated it with the Flask backend, and deployed it under the <code>prod</code> stage.