

HW3 Report

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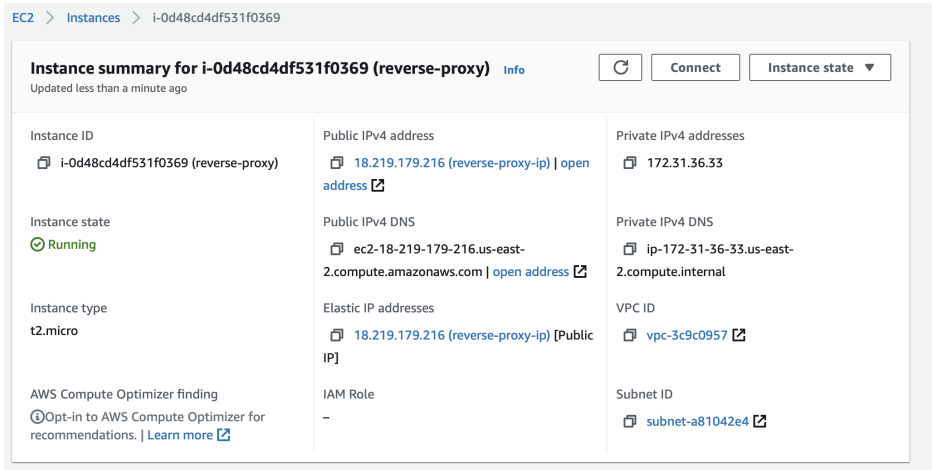
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1 Reverse Proxy EC2 Instance

1.1 Create and launch EC2 Instance

Follow this guide <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/quickstarts/latest/vmlaunch/step-1-launch-instance.html>.

Create Elastic IP and assign it to reverse proxy EC2 Instance. By doing this, IP address associated with the instance will not change even when the instance is stopped.

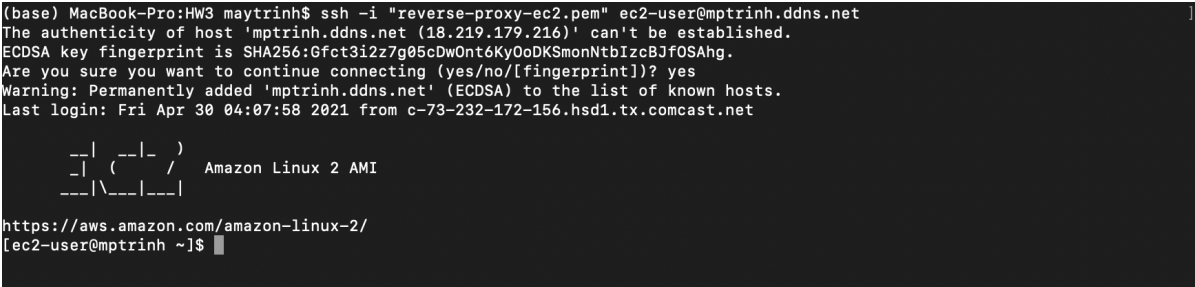


Register a domain and add a A record connecting the IP address of reverse proxy instance to that domain name. I use NoIP.

Hostname ▲	Last Update	IP / Target	Type
mptrinh.ddns.net Expires in 29 days	Apr 29, 2021 19:03 PDT ⓘ	18.219.179.216	A

To connect to EC2 instance from local machine. Run the below command in the directory where *reverse-proxy-ec2.pem* file is located.

```
1 ssh -i "reverse-proxy-ec2.pem" ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net
```



1.2 Deploy Python code to AWS EC2 Instance

Once the EC2 instance up and running on AWS, to deploy Python code from local machine to the remote instance follow this guide <https://praneeth-kandula.medium.com/running-python-scripts-on-an-aws-ec2-instance-8c01f9ee7b2f>

There is a slight modify in reverse proxy code where we need to save the server's public IP address in the switch table. Since each server has its own dedicated IP, we need to save the IP address to connect to server later on. Then, run this command below to transfer *revproc.py* file to remote instance.

```
1 scp -i ~/Desktop/COSC6377-ComputerNetworks/HW3/reverse-proxy-ec2.pem ~/Desktop/COSC6377-ComputerNetworks/HW3/revproc.py ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net:/home/ec2-user
```

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If the transfer is successful, the response is similar to the following:

```
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ scp -i ~/Desktop/COSC6377-ComputerNetworks/HW3/reverse-proxy-ec2.pem ~/Desktop/COSC6377-ComputerNetworks/HW3/revproc.py ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net:/home/ec2-user
revproc.py
100% 10KB 183.5KB/s 00:00
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$
```

Go to the directory in EC2 containing the file and run the python code. While it looks like the reverse proxy is running on `localhost:80/`, that's on the virtual machine. To access the reverse proxy, we will have to use the instance's public DNS (or hostname).

```
[ec2-user@mptrinh ~]$ sudo python3 revproc.py -port 80
Reverse proxy is listening on 0.0.0.0:80
```

2 Servers EC2 Instances

Create, launch and assign elastic IP addresses for 2 EC2 instances (following the same structure as above, except we do not need to get a human readable domain name for servers).

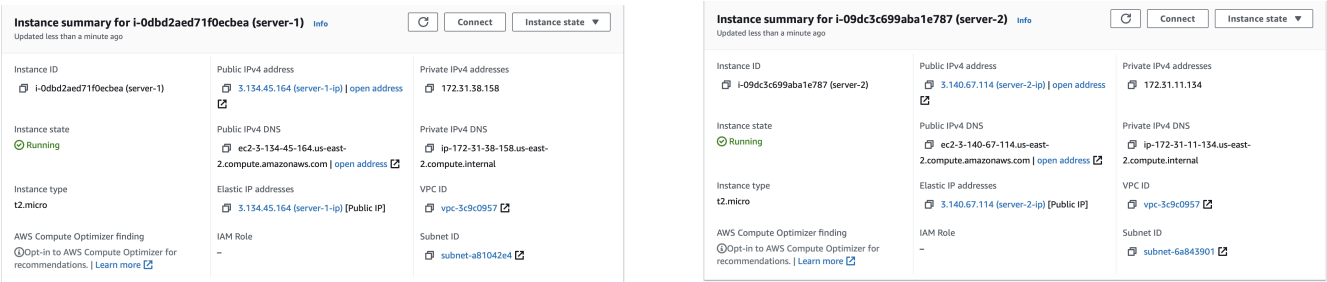


Figure 1: EC2 Instance for Server 1 (left) and Server 2 (right)

To correctly run this, we need to slightly modify the code. For Server code, we need to identify the hostname for Reverse Proxy instance. For this, we can either use reverse proxy public IP address or its hostname. When server wants to send setup message to reverse proxy, it will connect to reverse proxy using reverse proxy's host and port. When server listens to new connection, it will use its own host and port.

```
1 self.revhost = '18.219.179.216' # revproc public IP address
2 self.revproc = args.revproc #well-known port on which the reverse proxy is running
3
4 self.host = '0.0.0.0'
5 self.port = args.listen #arbitrary non-privileged port
6
7 def connect_to_proxy(self):
8     self.socket = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
9     self.socket.setsockopt(socket.SOL_SOCKET, socket.SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
10
11     # connect to reverse proxy
12     self.socket.connect((self.revhost, self.revproc))
13     print("Connecting to the reverse proxy on port", self.revproc)
14     ...
15     ...
16     ...
17
18 def listen(self):
19     self.serverSocket = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
20     self.serverSocket.bind((self.host, self.port))
21     self.serverSocket.listen(1)
22     print("Server is listening on {0}".format(self.port))
23     while True:
24         conn, addr = self.serverSocket.accept()
25         ...
26         ...
27         ...
```

Deploy the code to server instance like above. Note that we are doing this for 2 servers. We can run the same code but we are connecting to 2 different server instances. When connecting servers to reverse proxy and setting up the switch table, the terminal look like this:

```
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-38-158 ~]$ sudo python3 server.py -id 1 -pp PP_1 -listen 80 -revproc 80
Server runing with id 1
Server serving privacy policy PP_1
Connecting to the reverse proxy on port 80
b'{"Status": "Successfully setup with reverse proxy"}'
Sever is listening on 80
```

Figure 2: Server 1 Instance

```
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ ssh -i "server2-ec2.pem" ec2-user@ec2-3-140-67-114.us-east-2.compute.amazonaws.com
Last login: Fri Apr 30 04:07:32 2021 from c-73-232-172-156.hsd1.tx.comcast.net

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[ec2-user@ip-172-31-11-134 ~]$ sudo python3 server2.py -id 2 -pp PP_2 -listen 80 -revproc 80
Server runing with id 2
Server serving privacy policy PP_2
Connecting to the reverse proxy on port 80
b'{"Status": "Successfully setup with reverse proxy"}'
Sever is listening on 80
```

Figure 3: Server 2 Instance

```
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ ssh -i "reverse-proxy-ec2.pem" ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net
Last login: Fri Apr 30 06:57:41 2021 from c-73-232-172-156.hsd1.tx.comcast.net

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https://aws.amazon.com/amazon-linux-2/
[ec2-user@mptrinh ~]$ sudo python3 revproc.py -port 80
Reverse proxy is listening on 0.0.0.0:80
Connected to 3.134.45.164:42490
Handling server setup...
Received setup message from server id 1, privacy policy PP_1, port 80
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]]}
Connected to 3.140.67.114:50420
Handling server setup...
Received setup message from server id 2, privacy policy PP_2, port 80
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]], 'PP_2': [[2, '3.140.67.114', 80, True]]}
```

Figure 4: Reverse Proxy Instance

3 Client

Modify client code so that it connects to reverse proxy instance using its hostname.

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self.host = 'mptrinh.ddns.net' #reverse proxy hostname

Run the client code from local machine. The messages on the client terminal may look something like this.

```
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ python client.py -id 1327 -revproc 80 -pkt 1327.PP_2
Socket connected on port 80
Client id 1327. Sending a message to privacy policy PP_2 through reverse proxy running on port 80
Client id 1327. Reveiving message from the server 2, payload: 5d5b56e93d61c78d2c28d0f6b5cf45d196b825b6
Hash matched.
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ python client.py -id 1334 -revproc 80 -pkt 1334.PP_1
Socket connected on port 80
Client id 1334. Sending a message to privacy policy PP_1 through reverse proxy running on port 80
Client id 1334. Reveiving message from the server 1, payload: 8f38235f4714b7196b5d9458080cb3d16e01b79b
Hash matched.
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$
```

The message on the Reverse Proxy terminal may look something like this.

```
HW3 — ec2-user@mptrinh:~ — ssh -i reverse-proxy-ec2.pem ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net — 128x31
...ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net ...t-2.compute.amazonaws.com ...compute.amazonaws.com ...terNetworks/HW3 — -bash

[ec2-user@mptrinh ~]$ sudo python3 revproc.py -port 80
Reverse proxy is listening on 0.0.0.0:80
Connected to 3.134.45.164:42490
Handling server setup...
Received setup message from server id 1, privacy policy PP_1, port 80
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]]}
Connected to 3.140.67.114:50420
Handling server setup...
Received setup message from server id 2, privacy policy PP_2, port 80
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]], 'PP_2': [[2, '3.140.67.114', 80, True]]}
Connected to 73.232.172.156:54114
Handling client connection ...
Received a data message from client id 1327, privacy policy PP_2, payload: uddirbgwkejcxwxezgadhwvnonhrhgoi
Policy exists. Connect to the server and send message
Connect to server [2, '3.140.67.114', 80, True]
Forwarding a data message from client id 1327 to server id 2, payload: uddirbgwkejcxwxezgadhwvnonhrhgoi
Port is open
Received a data message from server id 2, payload: 5d5b56e93d61c78d2c28d0f6b5cf45d196b825b6
Forwarding a data message to client 1327, payload: 5d5b56e93d61c78d2c28d0f6b5cf45d196b825b6
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]], 'PP_2': [[2, '3.140.67.114', 80, True]]}
Connected to 73.232.172.156:54126
Handling client connection ...
Received a data message from client id 1334, privacy policy PP_1, payload: qctspreinhpsqjwpbhvyvmmglsyvitb1
Policy exists. Connect to the server and send message
Connect to server [1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]
Forwarding a data message from client id 1334 to server id 1, payload: qctspreinhpsqjwpbhvyvmmglsyvitb1
Port is open
Received a data message from server id 1, payload: 8f38235f4714b7196b5d9458080cb3d16e01b79b
Forwarding a data message to client 1334, payload: 8f38235f4714b7196b5d9458080cb3d16e01b79b
{'PP_1': [[1, '3.134.45.164', 80, True]], 'PP_2': [[2, '3.140.67.114', 80, True]]}
```

The messages on the servers terminal may look something like this.

```
HW3 — ec2-user@ip-172-31-38-158:~ — ssh -i server1-ec2.pem ec2-user@ec2-3-134-45-164.us-east-2.compute.amazonaws.com
...ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net ...t-2.compute.amazonaws.com ....compute.amazonaws.com ...terNetworks/HW3 — -bash
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-38-158 ~]$ sudo python3 server.py -id 1 -pp PP_1 -listen 80 -revproc 80
Server runing with id 1
Server serving privacy policy PP_1
Connecting to the reverse proxy on port 80
b'{"Status": "Successfully setup with reverse proxy"}'
Sever is listening on 80
Connected to 18.219.179.216:35290
Received a message from client 1334, payload: qctspreinphsqjwpbhyyvmmglsyvitb1
Sending a response to client 1334, payload: 8f38235f4714b7196b5d9458080cb3d16e01b79b
```

(a) Server 1 Instance

```
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...ec2-user@mptrinh.ddns.net ...t-2.compute.amazonaws.com ....compute.amazonaws.com ...terNetworks/HW3 — -bash
(base) MacBook-Pro:HW3 maytrinh$ ssh -i "server2-ec2.pem" ec2-user@ec2-3-140-67-114.us-east-2.compute.amazonaws.com
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https://aws.amazon.com/amazon-linux-2/
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-11-134 ~]$ sudo python3 server2.py -id 2 -pp PP_2 -listen 80 -revproc 80
Server runing with id 2
Server serving privacy policy PP_2
Connecting to the reverse proxy on port 80
b'{"Status": "Successfully setup with reverse proxy"}'
Sever is listening on 80
Connected to 18.219.179.216:33720
Received a message from client 1327, payload: uddirbgwkejcwxxezgadhwvnonhrhgoi
Sending a response to client 1327, payload: 5d5b56e93d61c78d2c28d0f6b5cf45d196b825b6
```

(b) Server 2 Instance

Figure 5: Servers Instance Running