

Introduction to IAM and Cloudwatch

Assignment -1 IAM User

Problem Statement

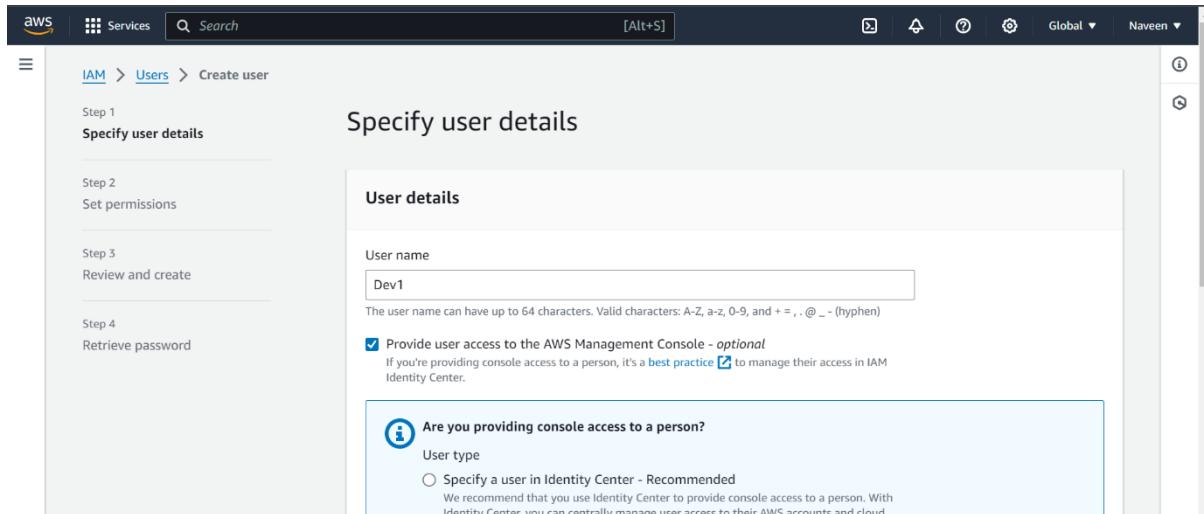
You work for XYZ Corporation. To maintain the security of the AWS account and the resources you have been asked to implement a solution that can help easily recognize and monitor the different users.

Task to be performed:

1. Create 4 IAM users named “Dev1”, “Dev2”, “Test1” and “Test2”
2. Create 2 groups named “Dev Team” and “Ops Team”
3. Add Dev1 and Dev2 to the dev Team.
4. Add Dev1, Test and Test2 to the Ops team.

Steps

- Click the create user
- Provide the user name and password
- Create 4 IAM users



Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 3: Review and create.

The 'User details' section shows:

User name	Console password type	Require password reset
Dev1	Custom password	No

The 'Permissions summary' section shows:

Name	Type	Used as
No resources		

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 1: Specify user details.

The 'User details' section shows:

User name: Dev2

The user name can have up to 64 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and + = . @ _ - (hyphen)

Provide user access to the AWS Management Console - *optional*
If you're providing console access to a person, it's a [best practice](#) to manage their access in IAM Identity Center.

Are you providing console access to a person?

User type: Specify a user in Identity Center - Recommended
We recommend that you use Identity Center to provide console access to a person. With Identity Center, you can centrally manage user access to their AWS accounts and cloud applications.

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 3: Review and create.

The 'User details' section shows:

User name	Console password type	Require password reset
Dev2	Custom password	No

The 'Permissions summary' section shows:

Name	Type	Used as
No resources		

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 1: Specify user details.

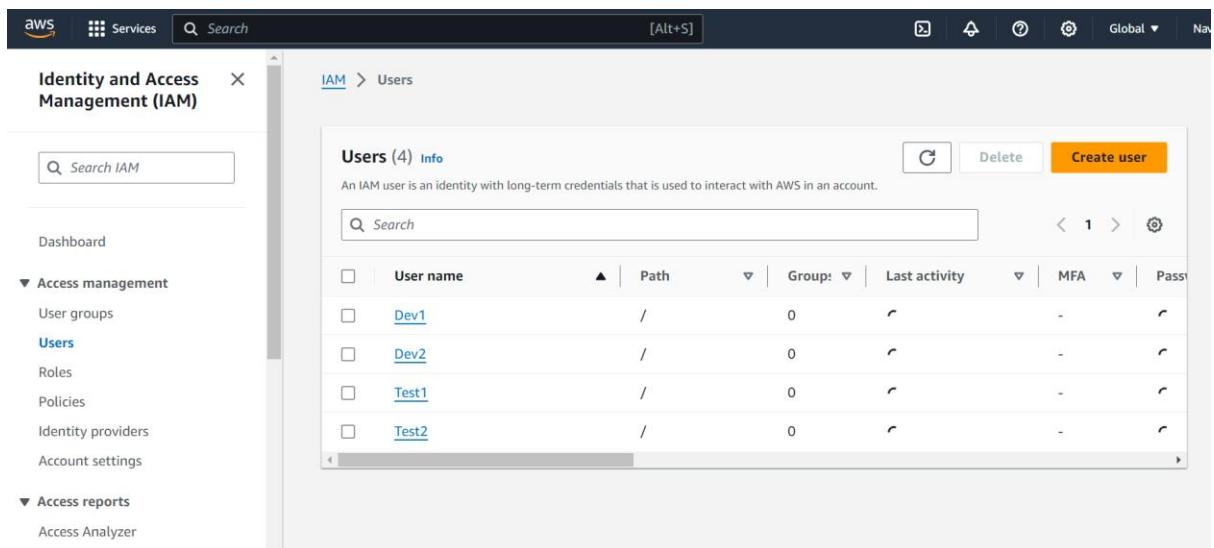
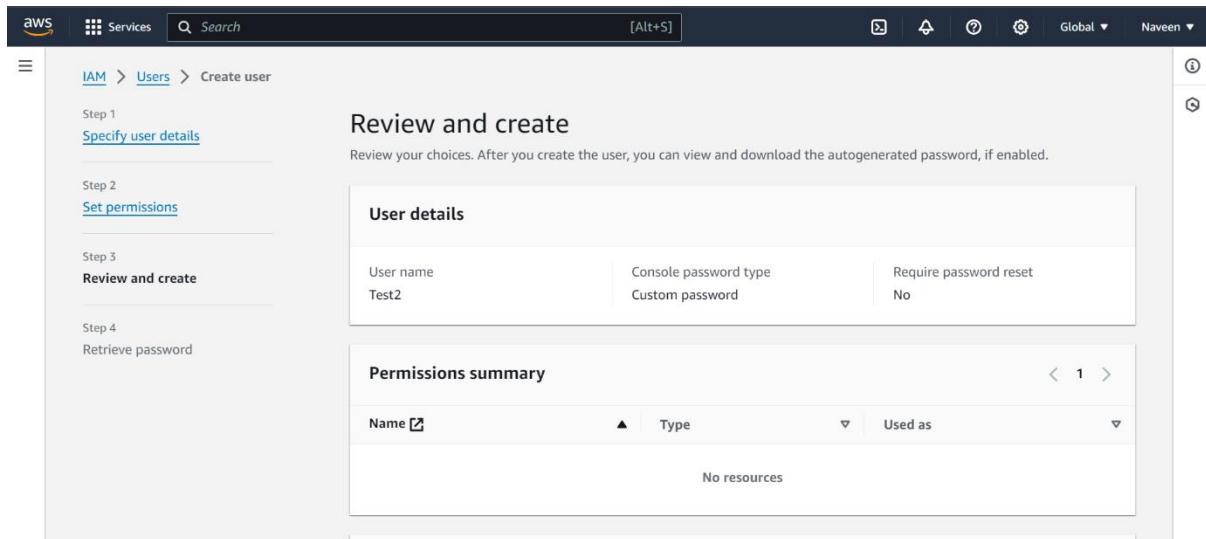
The page title is "Specify user details". On the left, a sidebar shows steps: Step 1 (Specify user details), Step 2 (Set permissions), Step 3 (Review and create), and Step 4 (Retrieve password). The main area has a "User details" section with a "User name" field containing "Test1". A note says: "The user name can have up to 64 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and + = . @ _ - (hyphen)". A checked checkbox says: "Provide user access to the AWS Management Console - optional". Below it, a note says: "If you're providing console access to a person, it's a best practice [link] to manage their access in IAM Identity Center." A callout box asks: "Are you providing console access to a person?". It shows "User type" with a radio button for "Specify a user in Identity Center - Recommended" (selected) and a note: "We recommend that you use Identity Center to provide console access to a person. With Identity Center, you can centrally manage user access to their AWS accounts and cloud applications."

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 3: Review and create.

The page title is "Review and create". The sidebar shows steps: Step 1 (Specify user details), Step 2 (Set permissions), Step 3 (Review and create), and Step 4 (Retrieve password). The main area has a "User details" section showing "User name: Test1", "Console password type: Custom password", and "Require password reset: No". Below it is a "Permissions summary" table with columns: Name, Type, and Used as. The table shows "No resources".

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user' wizard Step 1: Specify user details.

The page title is "Specify user details". On the left, a sidebar shows steps: Step 1 (Specify user details), Step 2 (Set permissions), Step 3 (Review and create), and Step 4 (Retrieve password). The main area has a "User details" section with a "User name" field containing "Test2". A note says: "The user name can have up to 64 characters. Valid characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and + = . @ _ - (hyphen)". A checked checkbox says: "Provide user access to the AWS Management Console - optional". Below it, a note says: "If you're providing console access to a person, it's a best practice [link] to manage their access in IAM Identity Center." A callout box asks: "Are you providing console access to a person?". It shows "User type" with a radio button for "Specify a user in Identity Center - Recommended" (selected) and a note: "We recommend that you use Identity Center to provide console access to a person. With Identity Center, you can centrally manage user access to their AWS accounts and cloud applications." Another radio button is for "I want to create an IAM user".



- Click the create group
- Provide the user group name
- Add user to the group (Add Dev1 and Dev2 to the dev Team; Add Dev1, Test and Test2 to the Ops team)
- Create 2 groups

Screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create user group' page.

The 'User group name' field contains 'Dev Team'. A note below says: 'Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@,_' characters.'

Screenshot of the 'Add users to the group - Optional (4)' section.

The table shows four users: Dev1, Dev2, Test1, and Test2. Dev1 and Dev2 are selected (checked). The table includes columns for User name, Groups, Last activity, and Creation time.

Screenshot of the 'Attach permissions policies - Optional (903)' section.

A green success message at the top says: 'DevTeam user group created.'

The 'Name the group' section has 'Opsteam' entered in the 'User group name' field.

DevTeam user group created.

Add users to the group - Optional (3/4) Info

An IAM user is an entity that you create in AWS to represent the person or application that uses it to interact with AWS.

User name	Groups	Last activity	Creation time
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dev1	1	None	44 minutes ago
<input type="checkbox"/> Dev2	1	None	41 minutes ago
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Test1	0	None	40 minutes ago
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Test2	0	None	38 minutes ago

Attach permissions policies - Optional (903) Info

You can attach up to 10 policies to this user group. All the users in this group will have permissions that are defined in the selected policies.

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM User Groups page. At the top, a green banner indicates that the 'DevTeam' user group has been created. Below this, there are two sections: 'Add users to the group - Optional (3/4)' and 'Attach permissions policies - Optional (903)'. The 'Add users to the group' section lists four users: Dev1, Dev2, Test1, and Test2, with checkboxes next to their names. The 'Attach permissions policies' section is currently empty. The left sidebar contains navigation links for Identity and Access Management (IAM), including User groups, Users, Roles, Policies, Identity providers, and Account settings.

IAM > User groups

User groups (2) Info

A user group is a collection of IAM users. Use groups to specify permissions for a collection of users.

Group name	Users	Permissions	Creation time
DevTeam	2	⚠️ Not defined	1 minute ago
Opsteam	3	⚠️ Not defined	Now

Create group

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM User Groups page. It displays a list of two user groups: 'DevTeam' and 'Opsteam'. Both groups have 2 users and are marked as 'Not defined' for permissions. The 'Create group' button is visible at the top right. The left sidebar contains navigation links for Identity and Access Management (IAM), including User groups, Users, Roles, Policies, Identity providers, and Account settings.

Assignment – 2 IAM Policies

Problem Statement

You work for XYZ Corporation. To maintain the security of the AWS account and the resources you have been asked to implement a solution that can help easily recognize and monitor the different users.

Task to be performed:

1. Create policy number 1 which lets the users to:
 - a) Access S3 completely
 - b) Only create EC2 instances
 - c) Full access to RDS
2. Create a policy number 2 which allows the users to:
 - a) Access cloudwatch and billing completely
 - b) Can only list EC2 and S3 resources
3. Attach policy number 1 to the Dev team from task 1
4. Attach policy number 2 to Ops team from task 1

Steps:

- Click the create policy (policy – 1)
 - a) Provide S3 full access, RDS full access and EC2 create only instance
 - b) Provide a policy name
 - c) Finally policy 1 is created
- Click the create policy (policy – 2)
 - a) Provide cloudwatch full access and billing full access
 - b) And provide list access for EC2 and S3
 - c) Provide a policy name
 - d) Finally policy 2 is created
- Go inside the user group which was created in task-1
- Go permission and click add permission
- And attach the policy which was created (Attach policy number 1 to the Dev team and Attach policy number 2 to Ops team)
- Finally policy have been attached

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Step 2 Review and create

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

Visual JSON Actions ▾

S3 Allow All actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in S3.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect: Allow

Manual actions | Add actions

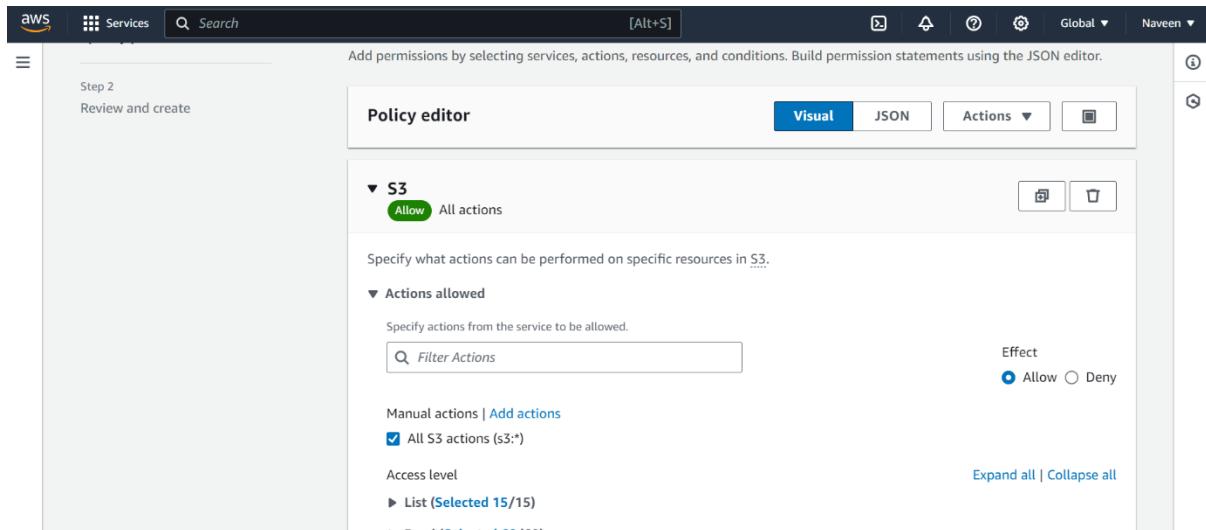
All S3 actions (s3:*)

Access level

List (Selected 15/15)

Read (Selected 50/50)

Expand all | Collapse all



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Step 2 Review and create

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

Visual JSON Actions ▾

RDS Allow All actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in RDS.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect: Allow

Manual actions | Add actions

All RDS actions (rds:*)

Access level

List (Selected 43/43)

Read (Selected 5/5)

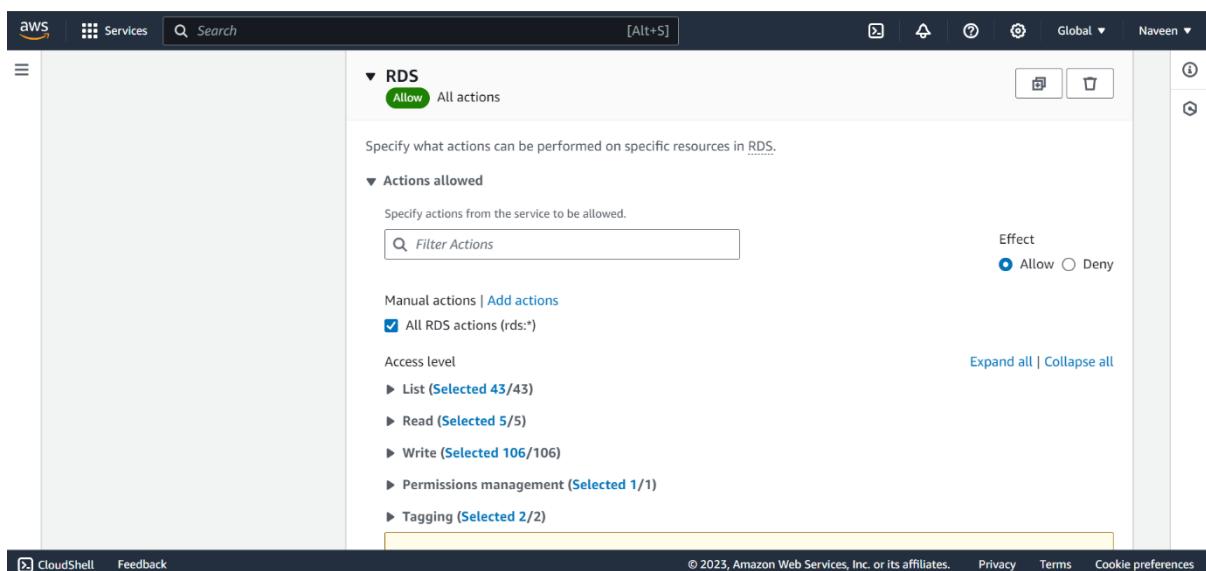
Write (Selected 106/106)

Permissions management (Selected 1/1)

Tagging (Selected 2/2)

Expand all | Collapse all

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Step 2 Review and create

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

Visual JSON Actions ▾

RDS Allow All actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in RDS.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect: Allow

Manual actions | Add actions

All RDS actions (rds:*)

Access level

List (Selected 43/43)

Read (Selected 5/5)

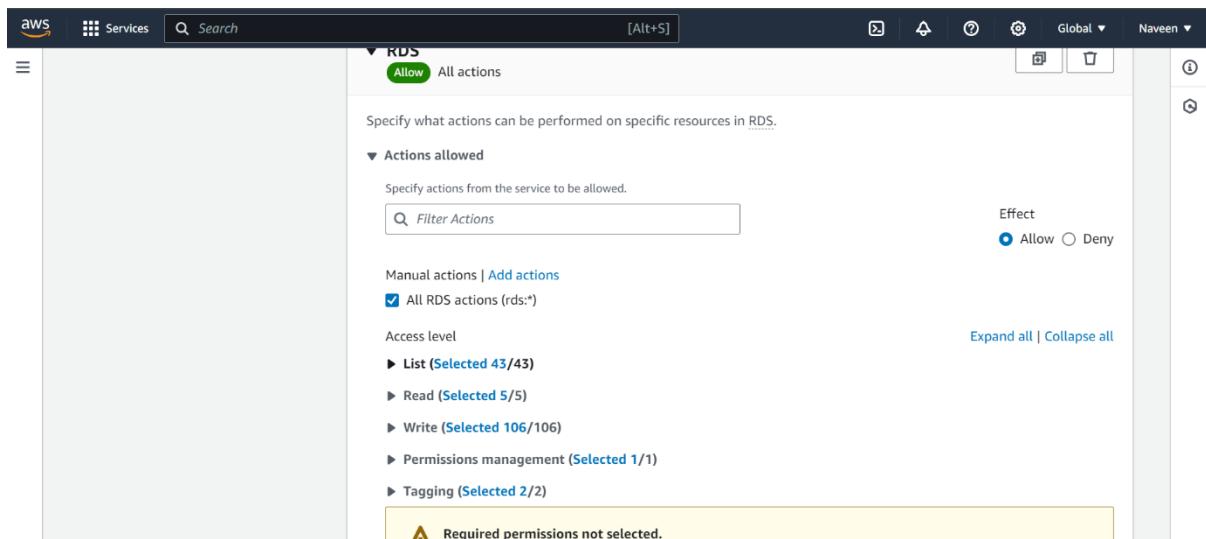
Write (Selected 106/106)

Permissions management (Selected 1/1)

Tagging (Selected 2/2)

Expand all | Collapse all

⚠ Required permissions not selected.



EC2

Allow 2 Actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in EC2.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

tags

Effect
 Allow Deny

List

[DescribeTags](#) Info

Tagging

[CreateTags](#) Info [DeleteTags](#) Info

Resources

Specified resource ARNs for these actions.

All resources

Request conditions - optional

Actions on resources are allowed or denied only when these conditions are met.

EC2

Allow 17 Actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in EC2.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect
 Allow Deny

[Manual actions](#) | [Add actions](#)

All EC2 actions (ec2:*)

Access level

[List \(Selected 11/172\)](#)
[Read \(35\)](#)
[Write \(Selected 5/417\)](#)
[Permissions management \(5\)](#)

[Expand all](#) | [Collapse all](#)

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Policy name

Enter a meaningful name to identify this policy.

policy-1

Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@,_' characters.

Description - optional

Add a short explanation for this policy.

Maximum 1,000 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@,_' characters.

Permissions defined in this policy Info

Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it.

Search

Allow (3 of 402 services)

Show remaining 399 services

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Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it

Q Search

Allow (3 of 402 services)

Show remaining 399 services

Service	Access level	Resource	Request
EC2	Limited: List, Tagging, Write	All resources	None
RDS	Full access	All resources	None
S3	Full access	All resources	None

Add tags - optional Info

Tags are key-value pairs that you can add to AWS resources to help identify, organize, or search for resources.

No tags associated with the resource.

Add new tag

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Step 2 Review and create Policy editor Visual JSON Actions □

CloudWatch Allow All actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in CloudWatch.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect Allow Deny

Manual actions | Add actions All CloudWatch actions (cloudwatch:*)

Access level [Expand all](#) | [Collapse all](#)

- ▶ List (Selected 6/6)
- ▶ Read (Selected 20/20)
- ▶ Write (Selected 25/25)

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The **allow wildcard** may be overly permissive for the selected actions. Allowing specific ARNs for these service resources can improve security.

Request conditions - optional

Actions on resources are allowed or denied only when these conditions are met.

Billing Allow All actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in Billing.

Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect Allow Deny

Manual actions | Add actions All Billing actions (billing:*)

Access level [Expand all](#) | [Collapse all](#)

- ▶ Read (Selected 9/9)

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Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect: Allow

Manual actions | Add actions

All EC2 actions (ec2:*)

Access level

List (Selected 172/172)

All list actions

DescribeAccountAttribute	Info	DescribeAddresses	Info	DescribeAddressesAttribute	Info
DescribeAddressTransfers	Info	DescribeAggregateIdFormat	Info	DescribeAvailabilityZones	Info
DescribeAwsNetworkPerformanceMetricSubscriptions	Info	DescribeBundleTasks	Info	DescribeByoipCidrs	Info
DescribeCapacityBlockOfferings	Info	DescribeCapacityReservations	Info	DescribeCapacityReservations	Info

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Actions allowed

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Filter Actions

Effect: Allow

Manual actions | Add actions

All S3 actions (s3:*)

Access level

List (Selected 15/15)

All list actions

ListAccessGrants	Info	ListAccessGrantsInstances	Info	ListAccessGrantsLocations	Info
ListAccessPoints	Info	ListAccessPointsForObjectLambda	Info	ListAllMyBuckets	Info
ListBucket	Info	ListBucketMultipartUploads	Info	ListBucketVersions	Info
ListJobs	Info	ListMultipartUploadParts	Info	ListMultiRegionAccessPoints	Info
ListStorageLensConfigurations	Info	ListStorageLensGroups	Info	ListTagsForResource	Info

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Policy name

Enter a meaningful name to identify this policy.

police-2

Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+-=_,@-' characters.

Description - optional

Add a short explanation for this policy.

Maximum 1,000 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+-=_,@-' characters.

Permissions defined in this policy [Info](#) Edit

Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it.

Search

Allow (3 of 402 services) Show remaining 399 services

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IAM > User groups > DevTeam > Add permissions

Attach permission policies to DevTeam

▶ Current permissions policies (0)

Other permission policies (1/906)

You can attach up to 10 managed policies to this user group. All of the users in this group inherit the attached permissions.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Used as	Description
policy-1	Customer managed	None	-

Cancel | Attach policies

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IAM > User groups > Opsteam > Add permissions

Attach permission policies to Opsteam

▶ Current permissions policies (0)

Other permission policies (1/906)

You can attach up to 10 managed policies to this user group. All of the users in this group inherit the attached permissions.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Used as	Description
policy-2	Customer managed	None	-

Cancel | Attach policies

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- Account settings

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Policies attached to this user group.

IAM > User groups

User groups (2) Info

A user group is a collection of IAM users. Use groups to specify permissions for a collection of users.

Group name	Users	Permissions	Creation time
DevTeam	2	Defined	2 days ago
Opsteam	3	Defined	2 days ago

Assignment – 3 IAM Roles

Problem Statement

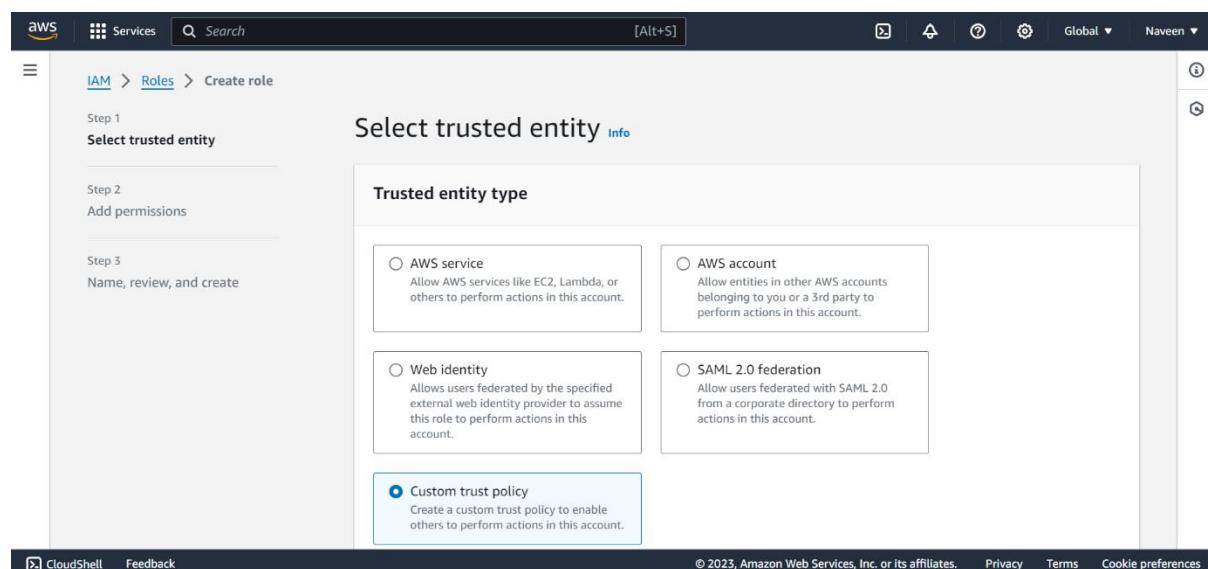
You work for XYZ Corporation. To maintain the security of the AWS account and the resources you have been asked to implement a solution that can help easily recognize and monitor the different users.

Task to be performed:

1. Create a role which only lets user 1 and user 2 from task 1 to have complete access to VPCs and DynamoDB.
2. Login into user 1 and shift to the role to test out the feature.

Steps

- Click the create role
- Select the custom trust policy in trusted entity type
- Provide ARN of the 2 users in custom trust policy
- Provide VPCs full access and DynamoDB full access
- Provide the role name
- Finally the role is created
- Sign in as IAM user 1 and click the switch role
- Finally the role page is reflected



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Maximum 1000 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@-' characters.

Step 1: Select trusted entities Edit

Trust policy

```
1+ {
2+     "Version": "2012-10-17",
3+     "Statement": [
4+         {
5+             "Sid": "Statement1",
6+             "Effect": "Allow",
7+             "Principal": {
8+                 "AWS": [
9+                     "arn:aws:iam::237981402912:user/Dev1",
10+                    "arn:aws:iam::237981402912:user/Dev2"
11+                ],
12+            },
13+            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole"
14+        }
15+    ]
16+}
```

Step 2: Add permissions Edit

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Step 2 Add permissions

Step 3 Name, review, and create

Permissions policies (1/906) Info

Choose one or more policies to attach to your new role.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Description
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonDMSVPCManagementRole	AWS managed	Provides access to manage VPC resources for Amazon DMS
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonDRSVPManagement	AWS managed	Provides access to manage VPC resources for Amazon DRS
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonEKSVPCResourceController	AWS managed	Policy used by VPC Resource Controller
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonVPCCrossAccountNetworkInter...	AWS managed	Provides access to create VPCs in other accounts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AmazonVPCFullAccess	AWS managed	Provides full access to All VPC resources
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonVPCNetworkAccessAnalyzerFull...	AWS managed	Provides permissions to analyze network access
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonVPCReachabilityAnalyzerFullA...	AWS managed	Provides permissions to analyze reachability

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Step 2 Add permissions

Step 3 Name, review, and create

Permissions policies (2/906) Info

Choose one or more policies to attach to your new role.

Filter by Type

Policy name	Type	Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AmazonDynamoDBFullAccess	AWS managed	Provides full access to All DynamoDB resources
<input type="checkbox"/> AmazonDynamoDBReadOnlyAccess	AWS managed	Provides read only access to All DynamoDB resources
<input type="checkbox"/> AWSLambdaDynamoDBExecutionRole	AWS managed	Provides list and read access to Lambda functions
<input type="checkbox"/> AWSLambdaInvocation-DynamoDB	AWS managed	Provides read access to DynamoDB tables

► Set permissions boundary - optional

Cancel Previous Next

Screenshot of the AWS IAM Role creation process, Step 2: Add permissions.

Role details

Role name: task

Description: task

Step 1: Select trusted entities

Trust policy:

```
1 {  
2   "Version": "2012-10-17",
```

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Screenshot of the AWS IAM Role creation process, Step 3: Add tags.

Add tags - optional

No tags associated with the resource.

Add new tag

You can add up to 50 more tags.

Cancel Previous Create role

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Screenshot of the AWS Console Home page.

Recently visited: VPC, EFS, AWS FIS, Systems Manager, EC2, IAM

Applications (0)

Region: US East (N. Virginia)

Name Description

Access denied

Account Organization Service Quotas Billing and Cost Management Security credentials

Switch role Sign out

View all services Go to myApplications

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Console Home Info

Recently visited Info

- VPC
- EFS
- AWS FIS
- Systems Manager
- EC2
- IAM

View all services

Applications (0) Info

Region: US East (N. Virginia)

us-east-1 (Current Region)

Name	Description
Access denied	

Signed in as: Dev1 Account ID: 2379-8140-2912

Switch back Role history task Switch role Sign out

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This screenshot shows the AWS Console Home page. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Recently visited' links for VPC, EFS, AWS FIS, Systems Manager, EC2, and IAM. Below that is a 'View all services' link. The main content area shows the 'Applications' section with a count of 0. It includes a search bar for 'Find applications' and a table header for 'Name', 'Description', 'Region', and 'Originati...'. A single row is listed under the heading 'Access denied', which is highlighted with a red border. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, a 'Services' dropdown, a search bar, and account information for 'N. Virginia'. The bottom navigation bar has links for CloudShell, Feedback, and various legal and preference options.

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Console Home Info

Recently visited Info

- VPC
- EFS
- AWS FIS
- Systems Manager
- EC2
- IAM

View all services

Applications (0) Info Create application

Region: US East (N. Virginia)

us-east-1 (Current Region) Find applications

Name	Description	Region	Originati...
Access denied			

Go to myApplications

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This screenshot shows the AWS Console Home page, similar to the one above but with a different layout. The sidebar and top navigation are identical. The main content area shows the 'Applications' section with a count of 0. It includes a search bar for 'Find applications' and a table header for 'Name', 'Description', 'Region', and 'Originati...'. A single row is listed under the heading 'Access denied', which is highlighted with a red border. The 'Create application' button is located at the top right of the applications section. The bottom navigation bar is also identical to the first screenshot.

Assignment – 4 CloudWatch

Problem Statement

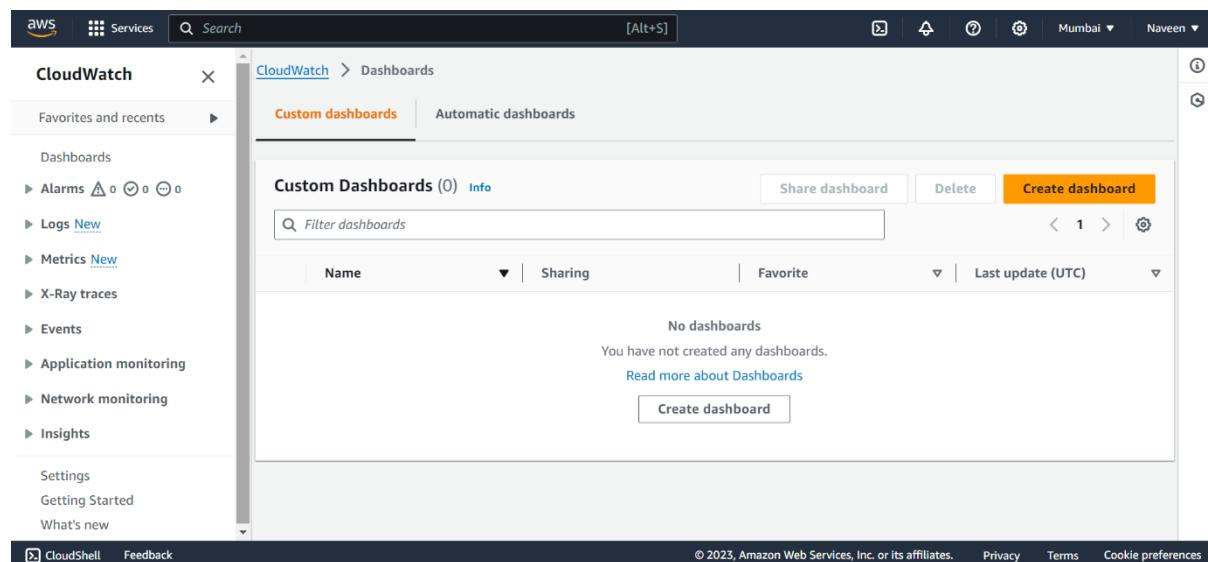
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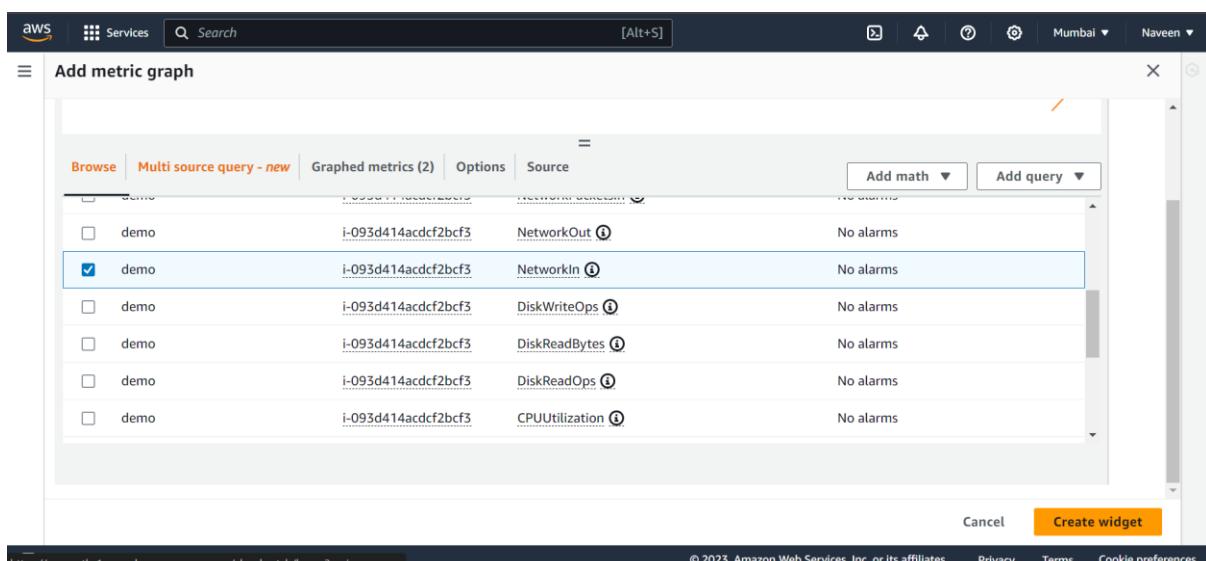
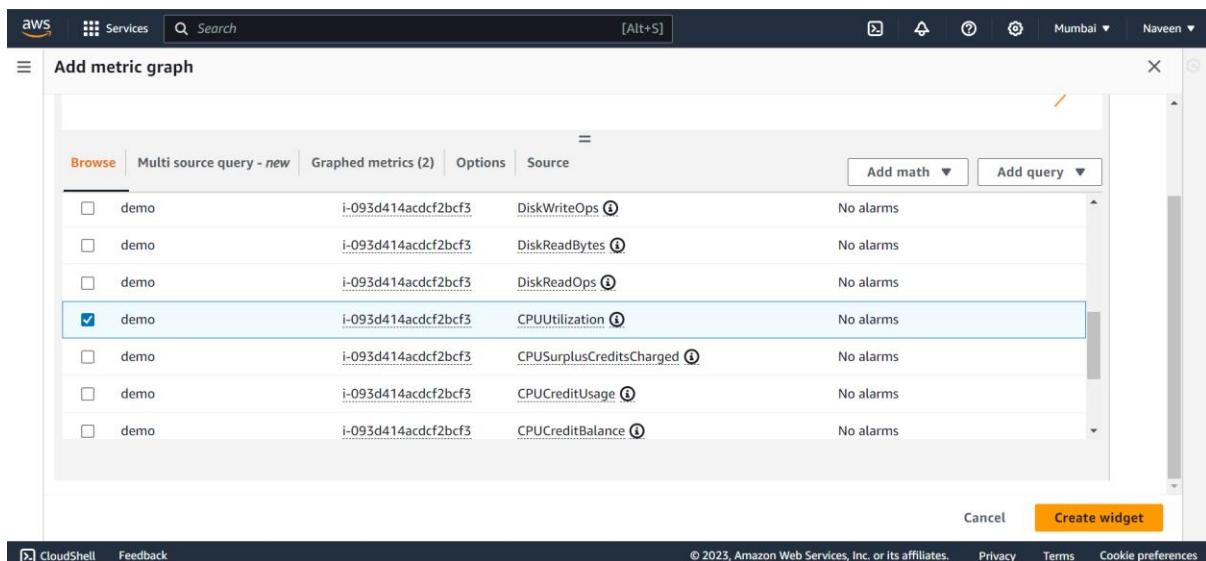
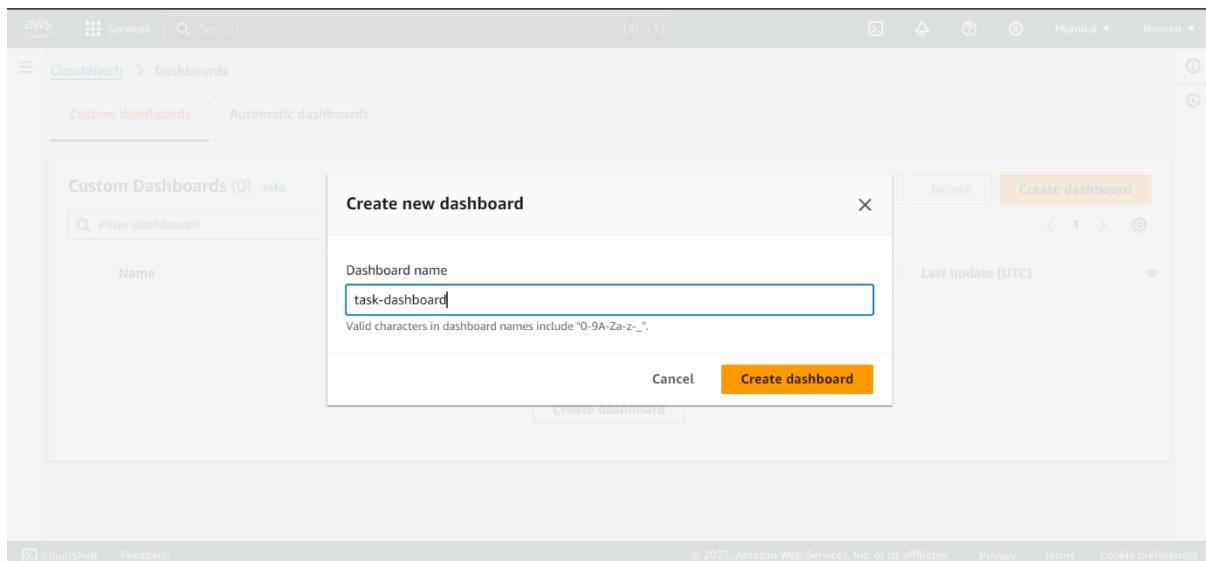
Tasks to be performed

1. Created a dashboard which lets you check the CPU utilization and networking for a particular EC2 instance.

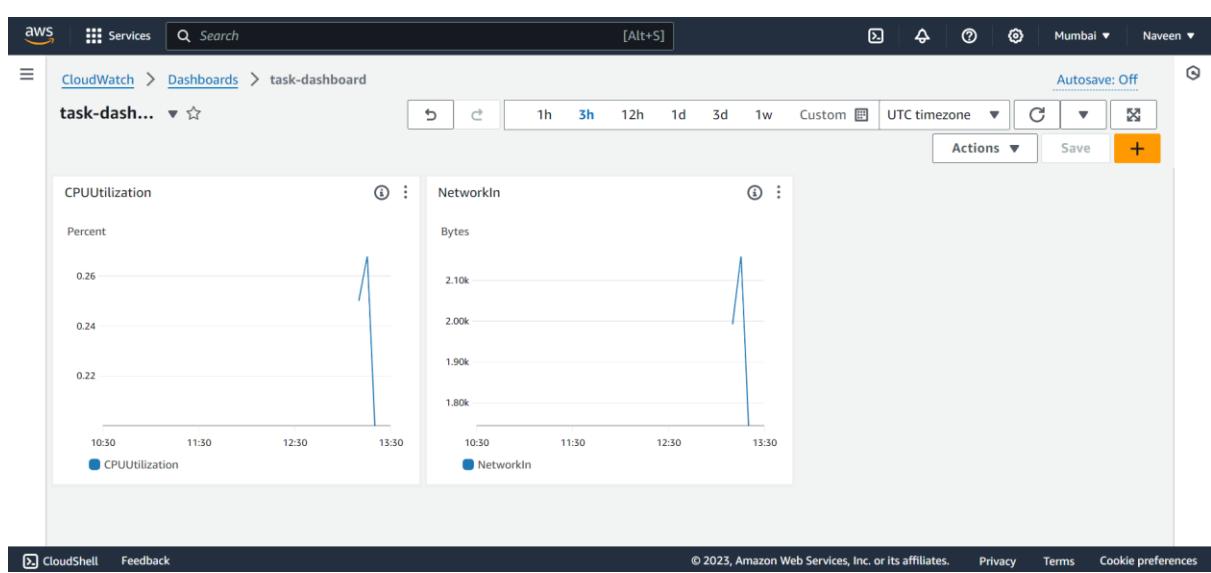
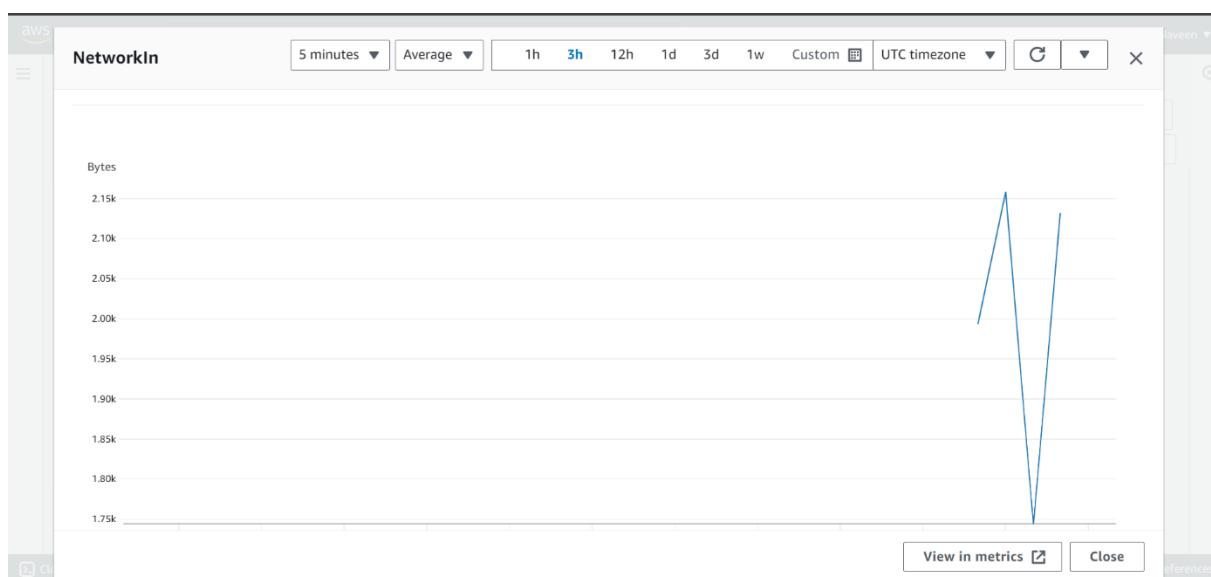
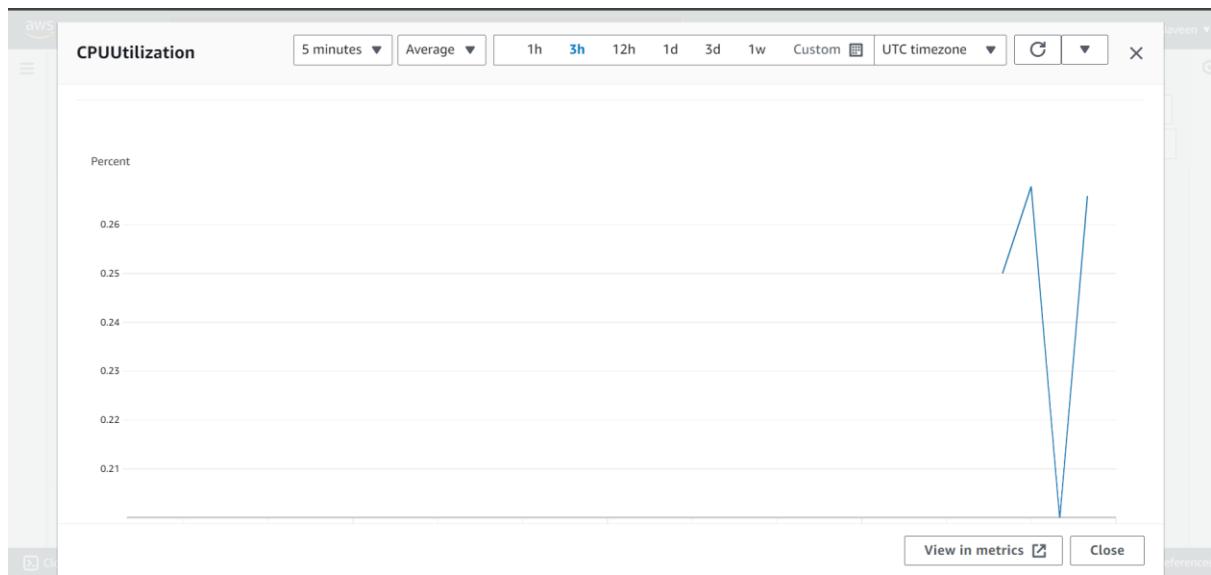
Steps

- Click the create dashboard
- Provide a dashboard name
- click the add widget and select a widget type
- select the CPU utilization for a particular EC2 instance
- select the Networking for a particular EC2 instance
- finally the dashboard is created





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CloudWatch > Dashboards

Custom dashboards Automatic dashboards

Custom Dashboards (1) [Info](#)

Filter dashboards

Name Sharing Favorite Last update (UTC)

Name	Sharing	Favorite	Last update (UTC)
task-dashboard		☆	2023-12-30 13:36

Share dashboard Delete Create dashboard

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The screenshot shows the AWS CloudWatch Dashboards interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the AWS logo, services dropdown, search bar, and user information (Mumbai, Naveen). Below that, the main header says 'CloudWatch > Dashboards' with tabs for 'Custom dashboards' (which is selected) and 'Automatic dashboards'. The main content area is titled 'Custom Dashboards (1)' with a 'Info' link. It includes a search bar labeled 'Filter dashboards'. A table lists the single dashboard: 'task-dashboard' (Sharing: none, Favorite: marked with a star), updated on '2023-12-30 13:36'. There are buttons for 'Share dashboard', 'Delete', and 'Create dashboard'. Navigation controls like '< 1 >' and a refresh icon are also present. At the bottom, there are links for CloudShell, Feedback, and legal information.

Assignment – 5 CloudWatch Alarms

Problem Statement

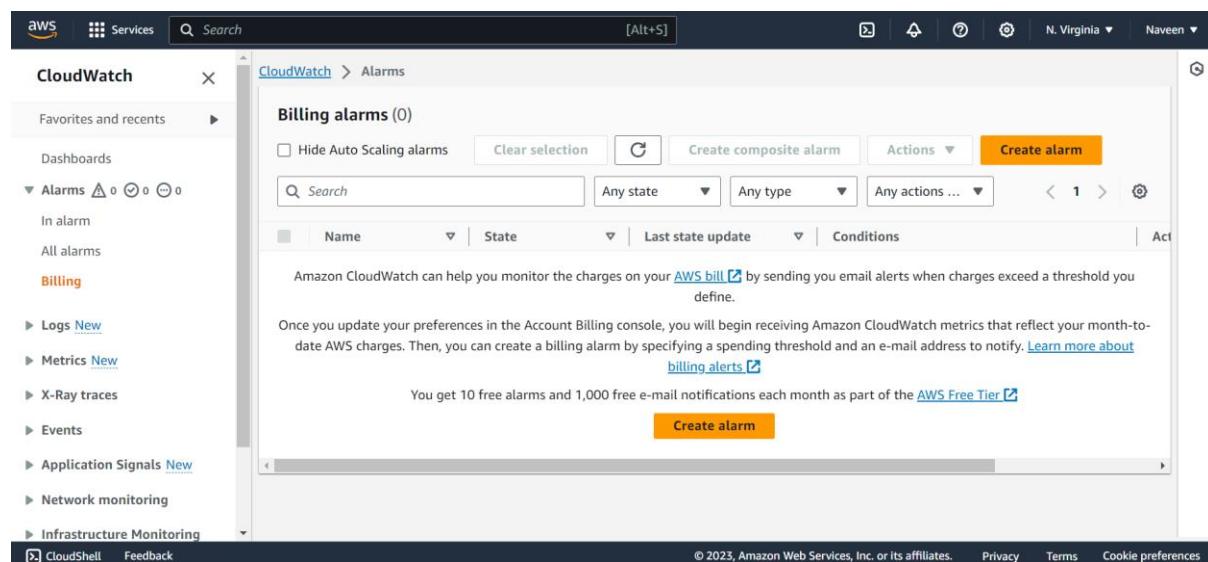
You work for XYZ Corporation. To maintain the security of the AWS account and the resources you been asked to implement a solution that can help easily recognize and monitor the different users. Also, you will be monitoring the machines created by these users for any errors or misconfigurations.

Tasks to be performed

1. Create a cloudwatch billing alarm which goes off when the estimated charges go above \$500.
2. Create a cloudwatch alarm which goes off to an alarm state when the CPU utilization of an EC2 instance goes above 65%. Also add an SNS topic so that it notifies the person when the threshold is crossed.

Steps

- Click the billing
- Click the create alarm
- Select as Greater and provide the threshold value as 500 USD
- Provide an alarm name
- Finally the alarm is created



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CloudWatch > Alarms > Create alarm

Step 1 Specify metric and conditions

Step 2 Configure actions

Step 3 Add name and description

Step 4 Preview and create

Specify metric and conditions

Metric

Graph This alarm will trigger when the blue line goes above the red line for 1 datapoints within 6 hours.

No unit 1
0.5
0 12/24 12/26 12/28

Namespace AWS/Billing
Metric name EstimatedCharges
Currency USD
Statistic -

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Threshold type

Static Use a value as a threshold

Anomaly detection Use a band as a threshold

Whenever EstimatedCharges is... Define the alarm condition.

Greater > threshold

Greater/Equal >= threshold

Lower/Equal <= threshold

Lower < threshold

than... Define the threshold value.

500 USD

Must be a number

► Additional configuration

Cancel Next

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Add name and description

Name and description

Alarm name task

Alarm description - optional [View formatting guidelines](#)

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Preview and create

Step 1: Specify metric and conditions

Metric

Graph
This alarm will trigger when the blue line goes above the red line for 1 datapoints within 6 hours.

No unit	Namespace	AWS/Billing
501	Metric name	EstimatedCharges
	Currency	USD
	Statistic	Maximum

Edit

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CloudWatch > Alarms

Billing alarms (1)

Hide Auto Scaling alarms Clear selection Create composite alarm Actions **Create alarm**

Name	State	Last state update	Conditions	Action
task	Insufficient data	2023-12-30 14:27:11	EstimatedCharges > 500 for 1 datapoints within 6 hours	No

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CloudWatch > Alarms > task

Alarms task View Actions

Graph

EstimatedCharges
EstimatedCharges > 500 for 1 datapoints within 6 hours

No unit
501
500
499
12/23 12/24 12/25 12/26 12/27 12/28 12/29
EstimatedCharges

Click timeline to see the state change at the selected time.

The screenshot shows the AWS CloudWatch Alarms interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like 'Alarms', 'Logs', 'Metrics', 'X-Ray traces', 'Events', 'Application Signals', 'Network monitoring', and 'Infrastructure Monitoring'. The main area displays a single alarm named 'task'. The alarm details are as follows:

Name	State	Namespace	Datapoints to alarm
task	Insufficient data	AWS/Billing	1 out of 1
Type	Threshold	Metric name	Missing data treatment
Metric alarm	EstimatedCharges > 500 for 1 datapoints within 6 hours	EstimatedCharges	Treat missing data as missing
Description	Last change	Currency	Percentiles with low samples evaluate
No description	2023-12-30 14:27:11	USD	ARN
Actions	Statistic		
No actions	Maximum	arn:aws:cloudwatch:us-east-1:237981402912:alarm:task	
Period			
6 hours			

At the bottom, there are buttons for 'View EventBridge rule' and 'Actions'.

Create a cloudwatch alarm which goes off to an alarm state when the CPU utilization of an EC2 instance goes above 65%. Also add an SNS topic so that it notifies the person when the threshold is crossed.

Steps

- Click the create alarm
- Select the metric as CPU utilization
- Select as Greater and provide the threshold value as 65%
- Create a new topic in SNS
- Select the topic which was created in send a notification
- Provide an alarm name
- Finally alarm is created

The image consists of two screenshots of the AWS CloudWatch Metrics interface.

The top screenshot shows the 'Alarms' page. The navigation bar includes 'CloudWatch', 'Services', 'Search', and 'Mumbai | Naveen'. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Favorites and recents', 'Dashboards', 'Alarms (0)', 'Logs', 'Metrics', and 'Feedback'. The main area shows 'Alarms (0)' with a 'Create alarm' button highlighted. Below it is a search bar and filters for 'Name', 'State', 'Last state update', and 'Conditions'. A message says 'No alarms' and 'No alarms to display'. A 'Read more about Alarms' link and a 'Create alarm' button are at the bottom.

The bottom screenshot shows the 'Select metric' step of a wizard. The navigation bar is identical. On the left, a sidebar shows 'Step 1: Specify', 'Step 2: Configure', 'Step 3: Add name', and 'Step 4: Preview'. The main area has a title 'Select metric' and a graph for 'Untitled graph'. Below the graph is a table with four rows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	demo	i-093d414acdf2bcf3	CPUUtilization ⓘ
<input type="checkbox"/>	demo	i-093d414acdf2bcf3	CPUSurplusCreditsCharged ⓘ
<input type="checkbox"/>	demo	i-093d414acdf2bcf3	CPCreditUsage ⓘ
<input type="checkbox"/>	demo	i-093d414acdf2bcf3	CPCreditBalance ⓘ

At the bottom right are 'Cancel' and 'Select metric' buttons.

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CloudWatch > Alarms > Create alarm

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Specify metric and conditions

Graph

This alarm will trigger when the blue line goes above the red line for 1 datapoints within 1 minute.

Metric

Percent

0.269

0.254

0.2

12:30 13:30 14:30

Namespaces AWS/EC2

Metric name CPUUtilization

InstanceId i-093d414acdcf2bcf3

Instance name demo

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Conditions

Threshold type

Static Use a value as a threshold

Anomaly detection Use a band as a threshold

Whenever CPUUtilization is...

Define the alarm condition.

Greater > threshold

Greater/Equal >= threshold

Lower/Equal <= threshold

Lower < threshold

than...

Define the threshold value.

65

Must be a number

► Additional configuration

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Amazon SNS X

Amazon SNS > Topics > task-CloudWatch-Alarms-Topic

task-CloudWatch-Alarms-Topic

Edit Delete Publish message

Details

Name	task-CloudWatch-Alarms-Topic	Display name	EC2 - instance CUP utilization is above 65%
ARN	arn:aws:sns:ap-south-1:237981402912:task-CloudWatch-Alarms-Topic	Topic owner	237981402912
Type	Standard		

Subscriptions Access policy Data protection policy Delivery policy (HTTP/S) Delivery status log

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Step 2 Configure actions

Step 3 Add name and description

Step 4 Preview and create

Notification

Alarm state trigger Define the alarm state that will trigger this action.

In alarm The metric or expression is outside of the defined threshold.

OK The metric or expression is within the defined threshold.

Insufficient data The alarm has just started or not enough data is available.

Remove

Send a notification to the following SNS topic Define the SNS (Simple Notification Service) topic that will receive the notification.

Select an existing SNS topic

Create new topic

Use topic ARN to notify other accounts

Send a notification to... X Only email lists for this account are available.

Email (endpoints) naveenrajasekaran2000@gmail.com - View in SNS Console

Add notification

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Preview and create

Step 1: Specify metric and conditions

[Edit](#)

Metric

Graph This alarm will trigger when the blue line goes above the red line for 1 datapoints within 1 minute.

Percent Namespace AWS/EC2

32.6 Metric name CPUUtilization

32.6 InstanceId i-093d414acdf2bcf3

32.6 Instance name demo

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CloudWatch

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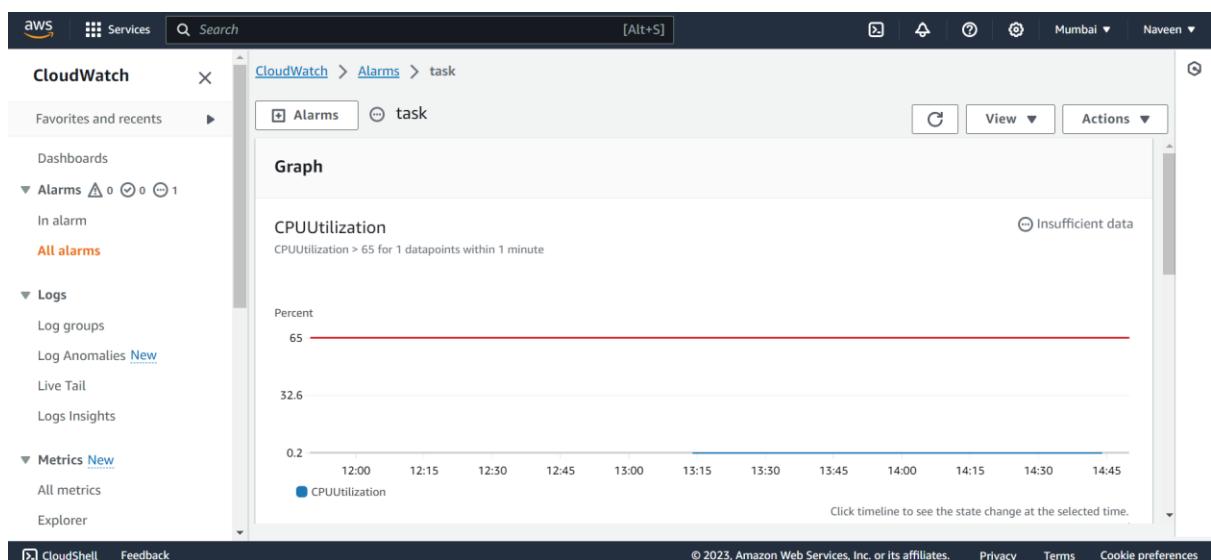
CloudWatch > Alarms

Alarms (1)

Hide Auto Scaling alarms Clear selection Create composite alarm Actions Create alarm

Name	State	Last state update	Conditions
task	Insufficient data	2023-12-30 14:48:44	CPUUtilization > 65 for 1 datapoints within 1 minute

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CloudWatch

Favorites and recent Dashboards Alarms 0 0 1 In alarm All alarms Logs Log groups Log Anomalies New Live Tail Logs Insights Metrics All metrics Explorer CloudShell Feedback

CloudWatch > Alarms > task

Alarms task

View Actions

Name	State	Namespace	Datapoints to alarm
task	Insufficient data	AWS/EC2	1 out of 1

Type	Threshold	Metric name	Missing data treatment
Metric alarm	CPUUtilization > 65 for 1 datapoints within 1 minute	CPUUtilization	Treat missing data as missing

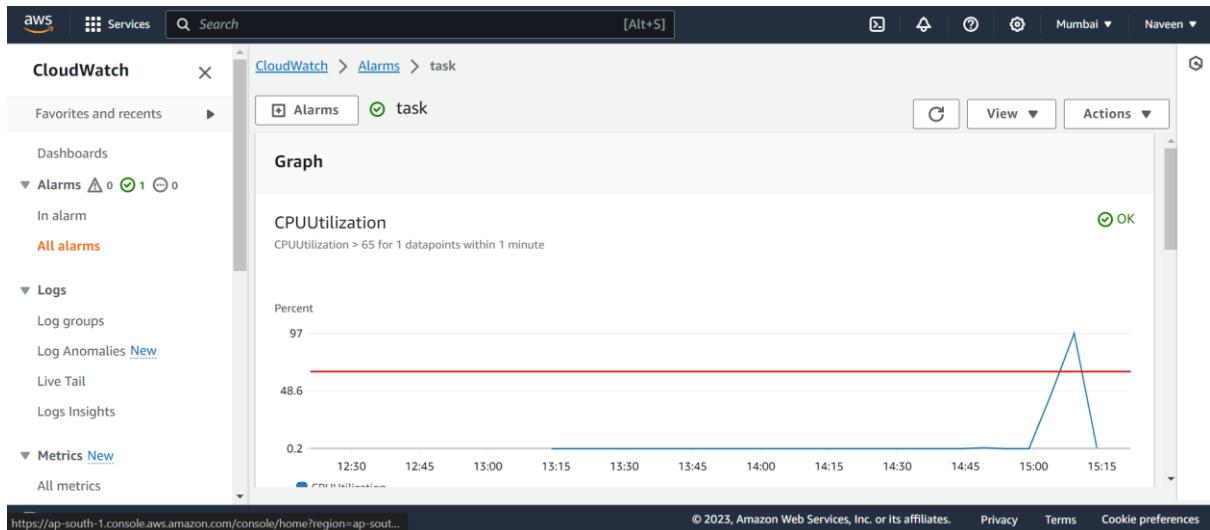
Description	Last change	InstanceId	Percentiles with low samples evaluate
No description	2023-12-30 14:48:44	i-093d414acdcf2bcf3	

Actions	Instance name	ARN
Actions enabled	demo	arn:aws:cloudwatch:ap-south-1:237981402912:alarm:task

Statistic	
Average	

Period	
1 minute	

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ALARM: "task" in Asia Pacific (Mumbai)



EC2 - instance CUP utilization is above 65% <no-reply@sns.amazonaws.com>
to me ▾

8:44 PM (8 minutes ago) ☆ 😊 ↶ ⋮

You are receiving this email because your Amazon CloudWatch Alarm "task" in the Asia Pacific (Mumbai) region has entered the ALARM state, because "Threshold Crossed: 1 out of the last 1 datapoints [96.97213114754102 (30/12/23 15:09:00)] was greater than the threshold (65.0) (minimum 1 datapoint for OK -> ALARM transition)." at "Saturday 30 December, 2023 15:14:27 UTC".

View this alarm in the AWS Management Console:

<https://ap-south-1.console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/deeplink.js?region=ap-south-1#alarmsV2:alarm/task>

Alarm Details:

- Name: task
- Description:
- State Change: INSUFFICIENT_DATA -> ALARM
- Reason for State Change: Threshold Crossed: 1 out of the last 1 datapoints [96.97213114754102 (30/12/23 15:09:00)] was greater than the threshold (65.0) (minimum 1 datapoint for OK -> ALARM transition).
- Timestamp: Saturday 30 December, 2023 15:14:27 UTC
- AWS Account: 237981402912
- Alarm Arn: arn:aws:cloudwatch:ap-south-1:237981402912:alarm:task