

Take EBS Snapshot of a particular instance at 10:30 AM IST daily and drop a mail with Instance Id and snapshot id and Timestamp

#### Step 1: Create an IAM Role for the Lambda Function

- Go to the IAM Service in the AWS Management Console.
- Click on Roles and then Create role.
- Select AWS service and choose Lambda.
- Click Next: Permissions.
- Click Create policy and go to the JSON tab.
- Enter the following policy definition:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "ec2:CreateSnapshot",
        "ec2:DescribeInstances",
        "ec2:DescribeVolumes",
        "ec2:DescribeVolumeStatus",
        "sns:Publish"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

- Click Review policy, name the policy (e.g., LambdaEBSPolicy), and create it.
- Go back to the IAM role creation wizard, select Refresh to see the policy, and attach it to the role.
- Name the role (e.g., LambdaEBSRole) and create it.

#### Step 2: Create a CloudWatch Rule to Trigger the Lambda Function

- Go to the CloudWatch Service in the AWS Management Console.
- Click on Rules in the left-hand menu, then Create rule.
- In the Event Source section, select Event Source as Schedule.

- Enter the following cron expression to trigger the Lambda function daily at 10:30 AM IST:

## Define schedule [Info](#)

### Schedule pattern


Schedule pattern

Choose the schedule type that best meets your needs.

☒ A fine-grained schedule that runs at a specific time, such as 8:00 a.m. PST on the first Monday of every month.
 ☐ A schedule that runs at a regular rate, such as every 10 minutes.

### Cron expression [Info](#)

Define the cron expression for the schedule

 cron (       )

Minutes      Hours      Day of month      Month      Day of week      Year

Next 10 trigger date(s)

Thu, 08 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Fri, 09 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Sat, 10 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Sun, 11 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Mon, 12 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Tue, 13 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Wed, 14 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Thu, 15 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Fri, 16 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC  
 Sat, 17 Aug 2024 05:00:00 UTC

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- In the Targets section, click Add target and select Lambda function.
- Choose the Lambda function that you will create in the next step.
- Click Configure details and create the rule.

### Step 3: Create an SNS Topic and Subscribe Your Email

- Go to the SNS Service in the AWS Management Console.
- Click on Create topic and choose Standard.
- Enter the topic name and create the topic.
- Click Create subscription, select Email as the protocol, and enter your email address.
- Confirm the subscription from the email you receive.

Step 4: Create the Lambda Function and attach the policy which we created in Step1.

```
import boto3
from datetime import datetime

ec2 = boto3.client('ec2')
sns = boto3.client('sns')

def lambda_handler(event, context):
    # Update with your instance ID
    instance_id = 'i-0cf458e5280ca9b61'

    # Describe the instance to get its volumes
    response = ec2.describe_instances(InstanceIds=[instance_id])
    volumes = [volume['Ebs']['Volumeld'] for reservation in response['Reservations'] for
instance in reservation['Instances'] for volume in instance['BlockDeviceMappings']]

    snapshot_ids = []
    timestamp = datetime.utcnow().strftime('%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S UTC')

    # Create a snapshot for each volume
    for volume_id in volumes:
        snapshot = ec2.create_snapshot(Volumeld=volume_id, Description='Daily snapshot')
        snapshot_ids.append(snapshot['SnapshotId'])

    # Prepare the message
    message = f"Timestamp: {timestamp}\n"
    message += f"Instance ID: {instance_id}\n"
    message += "Snapshot IDs: " + ", ".join(snapshot_ids)

    # Send the notification
    sns.publish(
        TopicArn='arn:aws:sns:ap-south-1:965519929135:EBSBackupNotification',
        Subject='Daily EBS Snapshot Completed',
        Message=message
    )
```

## Output:

### Daily EBS Snapshot Completed Inbox x



**EBSBackupNotification** <no-reply@sns.amazonaws.com>

to me ▾

Timestamp: 2024-08-08 05:00:42 UTC

Instance ID: i-0cf458e5280ca9b61

Snapshot IDs: snap-0be1ed6f64fd5f725

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