# Deploying Hadoop Cluster on AWS using EC2 instances

Installation and configuration of Infrastructure to deploy our projects often consume a lot of our time which can be used in learning instead. With the help of this post I attempt to make the process easier and save some of your time. Wasting no more of your precious time lets dive right into the subject. While on the article look out for some tips and tricks mentioned as notes to help you out!

In this post I will walk you through the process of configuring and deploying a Hadoop cluster using Amazon EC2 instances in 10 Simple steps.



#### STEP 1) Create AWS account

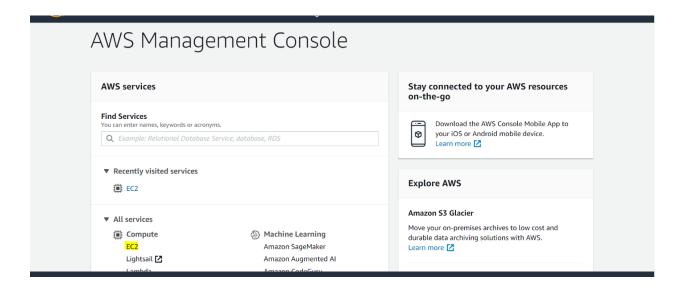
For those of you who are new to AWS, AWS(Amazon Web Services) is a cloud computing platform provided by Amazon in a pay-as-you-go model.

AWS offers certain services in it's free tier so as to give customers a look and feel of their platform. Luckily for you, the resources used in this post will cost you only as much as you use them and some fall right into the free tier category. Anyone can create an AWS Account with a valid email id and access free tier resources (for first 12 months).

#### STEP 2) Create EC2 Instance

Once you have created your AWS account and have reached the landing page, select the EC2 option under Compute Services in the AWS Management Console.

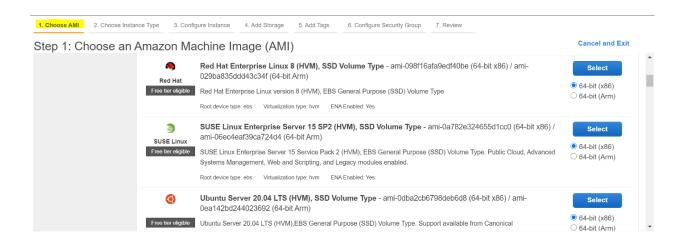
Note: Amazon **EC2** (Elastic Compute Cloud) is Infrastructure as a Service offering from AWS that provides compute resources in AWS cloud. You will be charged on how much time you use the instance and keep it running.



Once on the EC2 dashboard, click on the "Launch Instances" option.

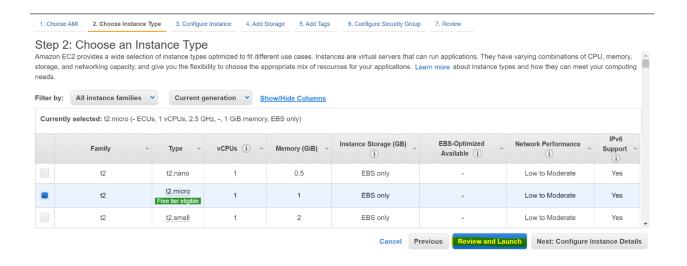


This will lead to a 7-step procedure to launch your required configuration. The **Choose an Amazon Machine Image (AMI)** page displays a list of Instances with basic configurations called Amazon Machine Images (AMIs) that serve as templates for your instance.

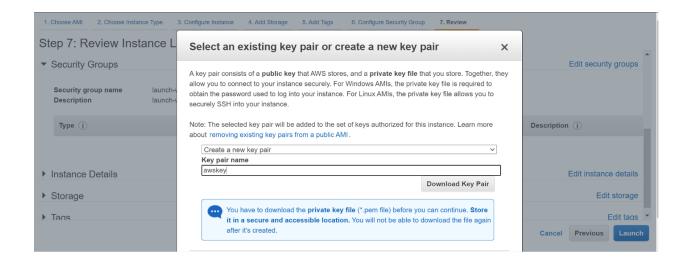


Notice the "Free Tier Eligible" mark on the AMIs and select the any one you are familiar with. For my project I choose the ubuntu AMI.

Once done you can skip through the remaining configurations leaving them to be in their default settings. You can go through them if you wish to.



Click on the "Review and Launch" button. You will be prompted to create or use a private key for connecting to the instance. If this is your first time creating your instance, choose "Create a new key pair" and enter the key name you would like to save it as. You can use an existing pair if you already have a key.



Once you have downloaded your key pair, click on "Launch Instance" and congratulations! You have successfully launched your first EC2 instance on AWS.:)

Note: Before you proceed, I suggest to use ELASTIC IP Address provided by AWS and assign them to your instance. This is because amazon charges you if you keep your instances running. If you don't have any application running, it is best to shut down your instances to not get charged for them.

When you shut down your instance, the public address assigned to it, will be released back into the pool of available public IP addresses. So the next time you start your instance, you will have to SSH with the new public IP. This would cause an issue when you configure your instance's IP address in the config files for this setup as you will save "known hosts" to connect the nodes to each other.

## STEP 3) Allocate Elastic IP addresses to your instances.

- For allocating Elastic IP address, just click on "Elastic IPs" under the network and security tab of your EC2 dashboard.
- Click on "Allocate Elastic IP Address"
- Further click on "Allocate" in the next window.
- The new Elastic IP is now allocated to you AWS account. You need to allocate this IP to your EC2 instance so that the IP never changes even after you shut down your Instance. Select the newly created IP and select "Associate Elastic IP" from the Actions menu.

• Associate the IP to your instance available in the drop down menu and proceed.

Now SSH with your newly created Elastic IP and check if the connection is working.

#### STEP 3) Install Java

Once your instance is launched and Elastic IP is allocated, connect to your instance from the actions menu. There are a number of ways to connect to it. The easiest and what I prefer is to SSH in your instance.

The instance you created will be assigned a public Elastic IP address that you can use to connect to it. If you are using a windows machine you can install bash or can used in ssh service in windows as well. I have Git Bash installed so I am going to use that.

```
shwini@Lenovo-PC MINGW64 ~/Desktop (master)
ssh -i "awskey.pem" ubuntu@ec2-35-174-10-110.compute-1.amazonaws.com
he authenticity of host 'ec2-35-174-10-110.compute-1.amazonaws.com (35.174.10.1
0)' can't be established.
CDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:CFFyY2IRHkH7gJi0VFpjQ3OYHFX7nDmC243]s172eUI.
re you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
arning: Permanently added 'ec2-35-174-10-110.compute-1.amazonaws.com,35.174.10.
10' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
elcome to Ubuntu 20.04.1 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-1024-aws x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com

* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com

* Support: https://landscape.canonical.com

System information as of Thu Oct 8 21:14:06 UTC 2020

System load: 0.0 Processes: 99
Usage of /: 16.7% of 7.69GB Users logged in: 0
Memory usage: 20% IPv4 address for eth0: 172.31.41.47
Swap usage: 0%
```

Post that, run the following commands to keep your system up to date

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get dist-upgrade
```

## Install open-jdk

```
sudo apt-get install openjdk-8-jdk
```

To verify if java is successfully installed, run the following command.

#### STEP 5) Install Hadoop

Once Java is installed, we will go ahead and install Hadoop.
 You can get the latest Hadoop version <a href="here">here</a>. Use the following command to download hadoop to the downloads folder.

#### wget

http://apache.mirrors.tds.net/hadoop/common/hadoop-2.10.0/hadoop
-2.10.0.tar.gz -P ~/Downloads

• Extract the contents to the /usr/local directory and rename the folder to hadoop for easy access.

sudo tar zxvf ~/Downloads/hadoop-\* -C /usr/local

sudo mv /usr/local/hadoop-\* /usr/local/hadoop

#### STEP 6) Declare Environment variables in /.bashrc

We need to declare environment variables so that applications can locate Hadoop and java.

To know where java is installed, you can use the following command.

```
readlink -f $(which java)
```

Open .bashrc file in your home directory with an editor. Include the below lines.

```
#JAVA_HOME
```

```
export JAVA_HOME=/usr/lib/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64
```

export PATH=\$PATH:\$JAVA\_HOME/bin

#HADOOP HOME

export HADOOP HOME=/usr/local/hadoop

export PATH=\$PATH:\$HADOOP HOME/bin

#HADOOP CONF DIR

export HADOOP CONF DIF=/usr/local/hadoop/etc/hadoop

Close the editor after the above changes and exit the editor. Executing the following command to reflect the changes without restarting.

source ~/.bashrc

Check whether the environmental variables are available or not.

#### STEP 7) Edit Hadoop Config files

We need to edit a few configuration files for Hadoop. The instance we created in this tutorial, we will use it as our Namenode for our Hadoop Cluster.

• In your local pc, open Git Bash and open the ~/.ssh/config file using the command below

vi ~/.ssh/config

• Add the following lines in the the config file

Host Namenode

HostName <public DNS Address of your instance>

User Ubuntu

IdentityFile ~/.ssh/awskey.pem

- Save and Exit the editor. Now you can just type sss Namenode to SSH into your Namenode.
- SSH into your Namenode instance and navigate to Hadoop configuration directory that you have stored in 

  SHADOOP CONF DIR environment variable.

## Configure core-site.xml

• When editing config files, you'll need root access so remember to use \$ sudo.

fs.defaultfs will allow dfs commands to run without
 providing full site name in the command. Running hdfs dfs
 -ls / instead of hdfs dfs -ls hdfs://hdfs/. This is used to

specify the default file system and defaults to your local file system that's why it needs be set to a HDFS address.

• Here, hdfs:// will tell each node that which node is the Namenode and where to send it's heartbeat (port 9000).

## **Configure yarn-site.xml**

• Configure your yarn-site.xml to set the properties of your resource manager.

```
<configuration>
<!- Site specific YARN configuration properties -->
property>
<name>yarn.nodemanager.aux-services</name>
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</property>

</property>

<name>yarn.resourcemanager.hostname</name>

<value><your namenode public dns name></value>

</property>

</configuration>
```

 An AuxiliaryService is a generic service that is started by the NodeManager in Hadoop 2. The services is defined by the Yarn configuration "yarn.nodemanager.aux-services". The default value is mapreduce\_shuffle, i.e., the ShuffleHandler for MR 2.

## Configure mapred-site.xml

• Copy mapred-site.xml from mapred-site.xml.template

sudo cp mapred-site.xml.template mapred-site.xml

- Add the following lines to mapred-site.xml
- On each node, copy mapred-site.xml from mapred-site.xml.template

```
<configuration>

configuration>

<name>maprety>

<name>mapreduce.jobtracker.address</name>

<value><your namenode public dns name>:54311</value>
```

<name>mapreduce.framework.name

cproperty>

</property>

#### </configuration>

• In this file, mapreduce.jobtracker.address sets the value of the Namenode where the jobtracker of hadoop runs.

mapreduce.framework.name sets the resource manager for our

## Configure Hadoop-env.sh

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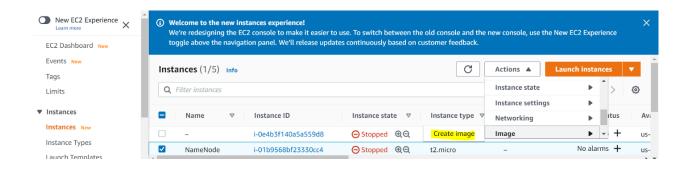
• In this file you just need to edit your JAVA\_HOME variable and set it to the JAVA\_HOME path in your environment same as how you set in /.bashrc file.

export JAVA\_HOME=/usr/lib/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64

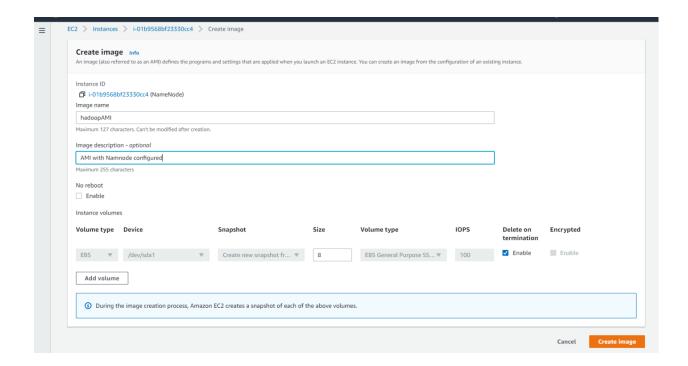
STEP 8) Create AMI Image and create 3 Datanodes based on our AMI

AWS provides you the option to create your own custom Amazon
Machine Image based on your custom configuration along with
providing standard AMIs. We create the AMI of out Namenode with
current configuration to create 3 Datanodes for our cluster.

• Select the Instance, click on Actions Menu, Select Image and click on "Create Image" option.



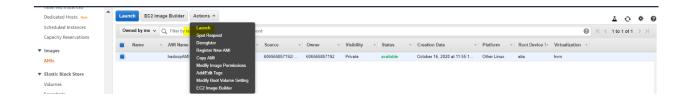
 Provide a Name and Description for your AMI and click on Create Image Button.



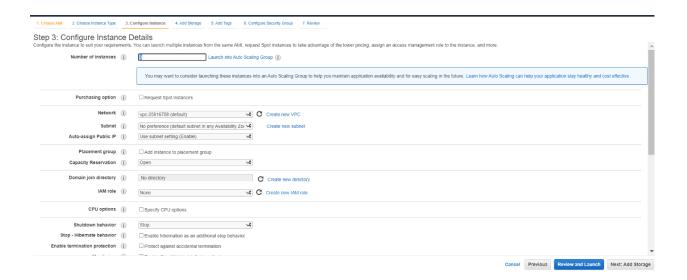
 Navigate to the AMIs option on the navigation menu. Your new AMI machine will be seen in the list of AMIs. It will take a while for AMI to be created and will be seen in pending state until then.



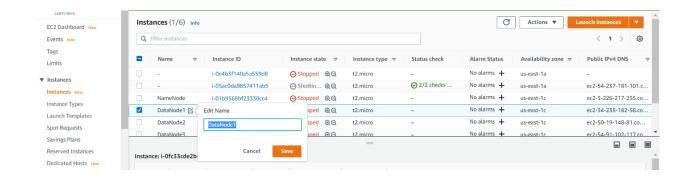
• Once your AMI is ready, select the AMI and click on the Actions Menu. Select the "Launch" option from the menu.



• In the "Configure Instance" tab, change the number of Instances from 1 to 3.



- Review and Launch your EC2 instances(Datanodes)
- SSH into your instances and check if your configured hadoop files are available with your custom configurations.
- Assign identifiers to your nodes. These have no configuration significance but is just there for easily identifying.



Assign Elastic IP addresses to each of your
 DataNodes as we did before for the Namenode

## STEP 9) Enable Password-Less Authentication between nodes.

Your Hadoop nodes need to be able to connect with each other to execute their respective tasks. For this purpose, you need to enable password-less authentication between them.

- SSH into your Namenode
- Execute the following command to generate a public and private key pair. Press enter and set no passphrase for keys.

- You will find two keys created in your ~/.ssh folder. *id\_rsa* is your private key and *id\_rsa.pub* is your public key. You can rename these keys if you wish to. I am going to keep them same. We need to place the *id\_rsa.pub* in the Datanode so as to enable it to recognise your private key in your namenode.
- Download the public key to your local pc.

```
scp Namenode:~/.ssh/id rsa.pub /C/Users/Ashwini/Desktop/
```

• execute the "exit" command in your bash shell to exit from the Namenode and return to your local Environment. Now ssh into each Datanode (1,2 and 3) and execute the following commands one by one to your Datanode.

```
scp /C/Users/Ashwini/Desktop/id_rsa.pub DataNodel:~/.ssh
cat ~/.ssh/id rsa.pub >> ~/.ssh/authorized keys
```

```
scp /C/Users/Ashwini/Desktop/id_rsa.pub DataNode2:~/.ssh
```

```
cat ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub >> ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

```
scp /C/Users/Ashwini/Desktop/id rsa.pub DataNode3:~/.ssh
```

```
cat ~/.ssh/id rsa.pub >> ~/.ssh/authorized keys
```

- The cat command will append your new public key to the authorized\_keys file to enable authentication. Delete the public key from your local machine once you are done.
- Now ssh into your Namenode once again and check connectivity to each datanode by using ssh "public DNS address of DataNode".
- Modify your ~/.ssh/config file in your local machine and add the following lines as shown below. Replace the machine addresses with your instances addresses.

```
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                                        MINGW64:/
Host Namenode
                                     compute-1.amazonaws.com
        User ubuntu
IdentityFile ~/.ssh/awskey.pem
Host DataNode1
        Hostname
User ubuntu
                                   .compute-1.amazonaws.com
        IdentityFile ~/.ssh/awskey.pem
                           - ____compute-1.amazonaws.com
        User ubuntu
        IdentityFile ~/.ssh/awskey.pem
Host DataNode3
                                    .compute-1.amazonaws.com
        IdentityFile ~/.ssh/awskey.pem
 /.ssh/config [unix] (01:43 11/10/2020)
                                                                          4,26-33 All
```

• Copy the config file to your namenode

```
scp ~/.ssh/config namenode:~/.ssh
```

 Don't forget to replace the "awskey.pem" of your local machine to the "id\_rsa" key of your namenode machine. We will use this config file on Namenode to ssh into Datanodes.

Now you are ready with all your nodes.

#### STEP 10) NameNode and DataNode Specific Configurations

#### **NAMENODE:**

Add the DataNode hostnames to /etc/hosts. You can get the hostname for each DataNode by entering \$ hostname, or \$ echo
 \$ (hostname) on each DataNode.

```
<namenode_IP> namenode_hostname

<datanode1_IP> datanode1_hostname

<datanode2_IP> datanode2_hostname

<datanode3_IP> datanode3_hostname

127.0.0.1 localhost
```

• Create Namenode directory for storing Namenode Metadata

sudo mkdir -p \$HADOOP HOME/data/hdfs/namenode

• Edit hdfs-site.xml file on NameNode:

```
<configuration>
property>
 <name>dfs.replication</name>
<value>3</value>
</property>
cproperty>
 <name>dfs.namenode.name.dir</name>
<value>file:///usr/local/hadoop/data/hdfs/namenode</value>
</property>
</configuration>
```

• dfs.replication sets the amount of times each data block is replicated across the cluster. dfs.namenode.name.dir sets the directory for storing NameNode metadata

• Edit the slaves file in HADOOP\_CONF\_DIRWith the hostnames of each datanode. Remove the line with localhost otherwise the NameNode would run as a DataNode too.

```
datanode1_hostname

datanode2_hostname

datanode3_hostname
```

- Edit the masters file and add the Namenode's hostname to the file. Typically we use the masters file to set up Secondary

  Namenode which usually runs on a different Namenode but for my project I am running it on the same instance.
- Finally on the NameNode, change the owner of HADOOP\_HOME to ubuntu

sudo chown -R ubuntu \$HADOOP HOME

• This is because you will login as ubuntu user and you need Hadoop to follow your commands.

#### **DATANODES:**

• Create Datanode Directory for storing DataNode Metadata.

```
sudo mkdir -p $HADOOP HOME/data/hdfs/datanode
```

• Edit hdfs-site.xml on each DataNode:

```
<configuration>

property>

<name>dfs.replication</name>

<value>3</value>
```

<name>dfs.datanode.data.dir</name>

property>

</property>

</configuration>

 Again, this sets the directory where the data is stored on the DataNodes. And again, create the directory on each DataNode. Also change the owner of the Hadoop directory.

sudo chown -R ubuntu \$HADOOP HOME

And Voila!! You have your Hadoop cluster ready.

You can navigate to <namenode public DNS>:8088 and you should see the Hadoop WebUI.





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#### **Nodes of the cluster**

Logged in as: dr.who

