

LAB: Create a VPC with Subnets and Routing and an IG/NAT Gateway

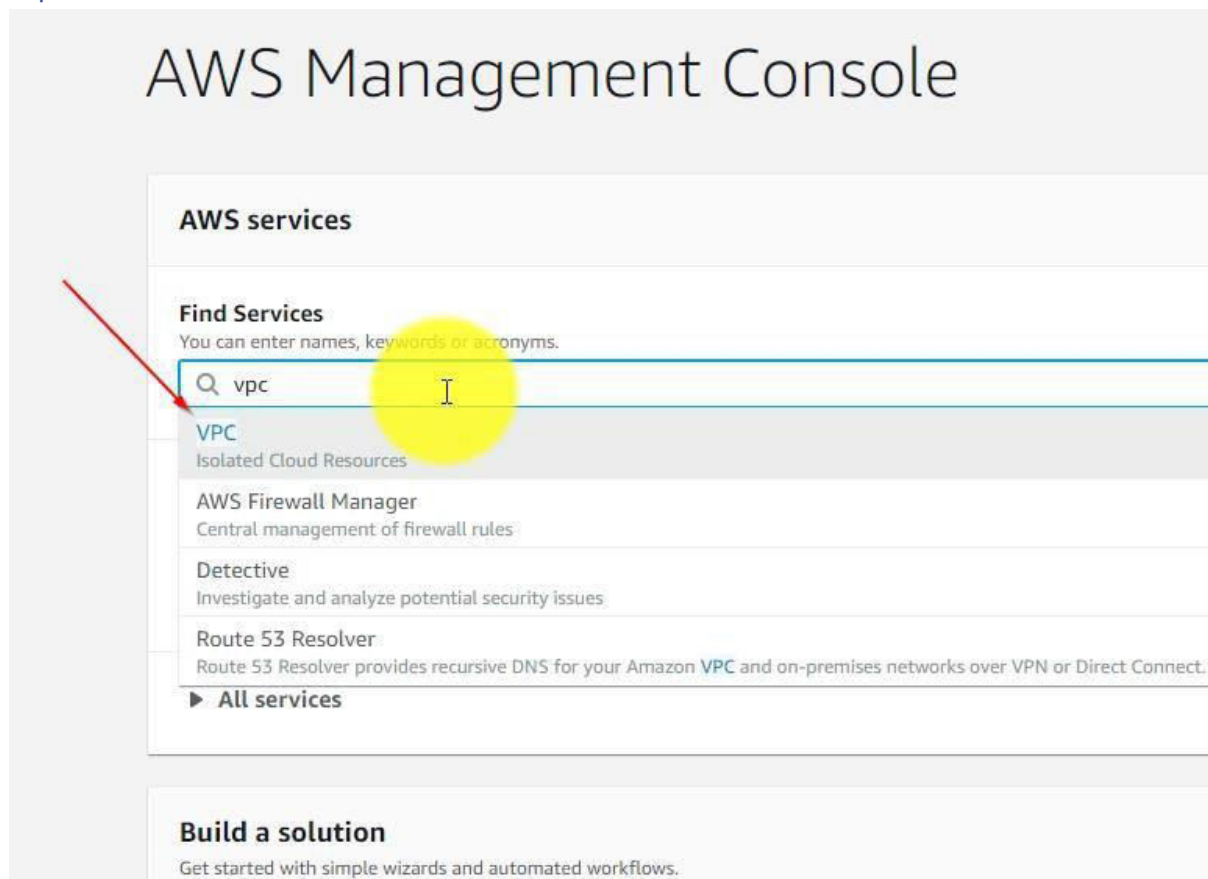
You need:

- An AWS Account

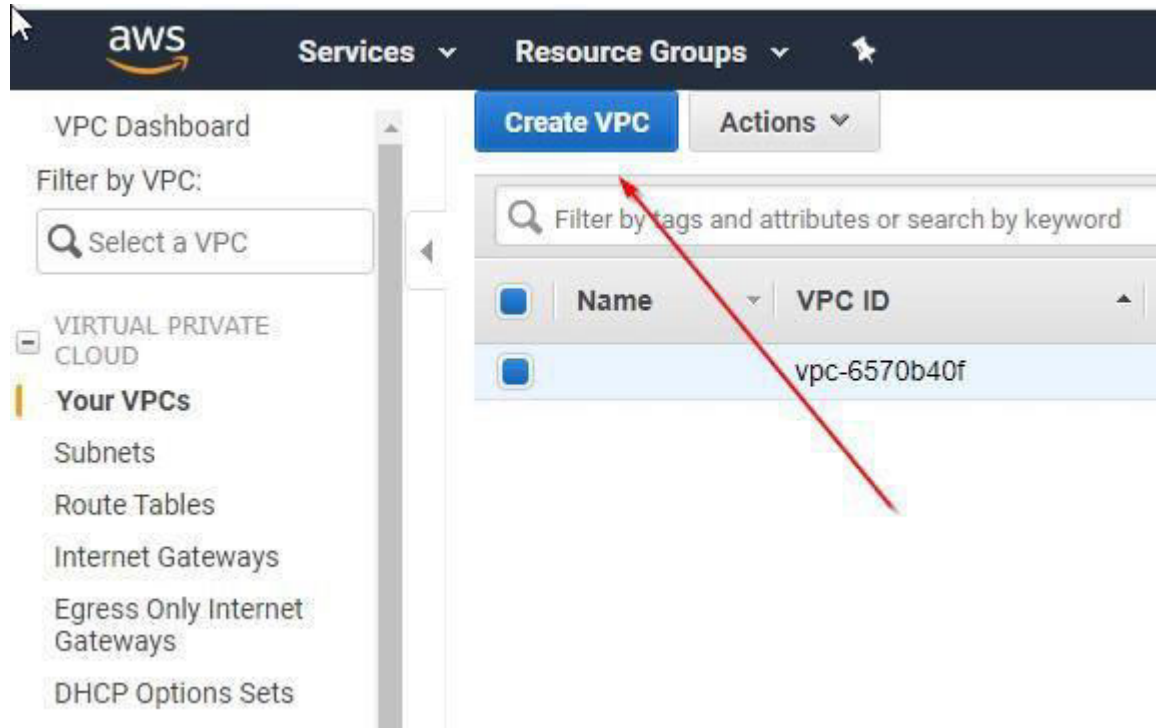
Duration of the Lab: 30 Minutes.

Difficulty: medium

[Open the VPC Dashboard](#)



[Create a new VPC](#)



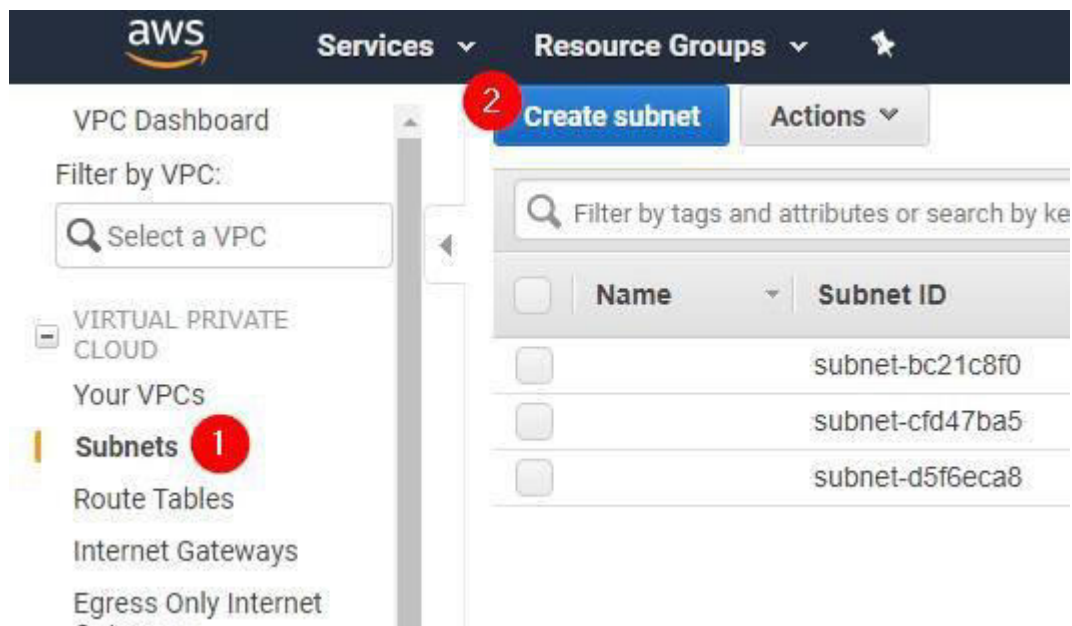
Enter a Name and a CIDR Block, for example 10.0.0.0/16.

This CIDR Block will give you 10.0.X.X IPs, which corresponds to a Class B Network with 65536 IP Addresses (256*256).

The screenshot shows the 'Create VPC' form in the AWS Management Console. The form has a title 'Create VPC' and a descriptive paragraph: 'A VPC is an isolated portion of the AWS cloud populated by AWS objects, such as Amazon EC2 instances block larger than /16. You can optionally associate an IPv6 CIDR block with the VPC.' The form contains several input fields: 'Name tag' with the value 'My Webhosting VPC', 'IPv4 CIDR block*' with the value '10.0.0.0/16', and 'IPv6 CIDR block' with three radio button options: 'No IPv6 CIDR Block' (selected), 'Amazon provided IPv6 CIDR block', and 'IPv6 CIDR owned by me'. There is also a 'Tenancy' dropdown menu set to 'Default'. A red arrow points from the 'Create VPC' button in the previous screenshot to the 'Name tag' field. At the bottom left, there is a note '* Required'.

[Create Subnets](#)

Create three Subnets:



Create three subnets:

- 1) Public/Private Subnet 1 and 2
- 2) Select the VPC you created earlier
- 3) Select two different AZ for the public subnets and a single one for your private subnet
- 4) For the public subnets set 10.0.1.0/24 and 10.0.2.0/24 as the CIDR Block, for the private one set 10.0.10.0/24 as the CIDR Block. This gives you 256 IP Addresses in the Subnets, corresponding to a Class C network.

[Subnets](#) > Create subnet

Create subnet

Specify your subnet's IP address block in CIDR format; for example, 10.0.0.0/24. IPv4 block sizes must be between a /16 netmask and /28 netmask.

Name tag 1 ⓘ

VPC* 2 ⓘ

Availability Zone 3 ⓘ

VPC CIDRs	CIDR	Status
	10.0.0.0/16	associated

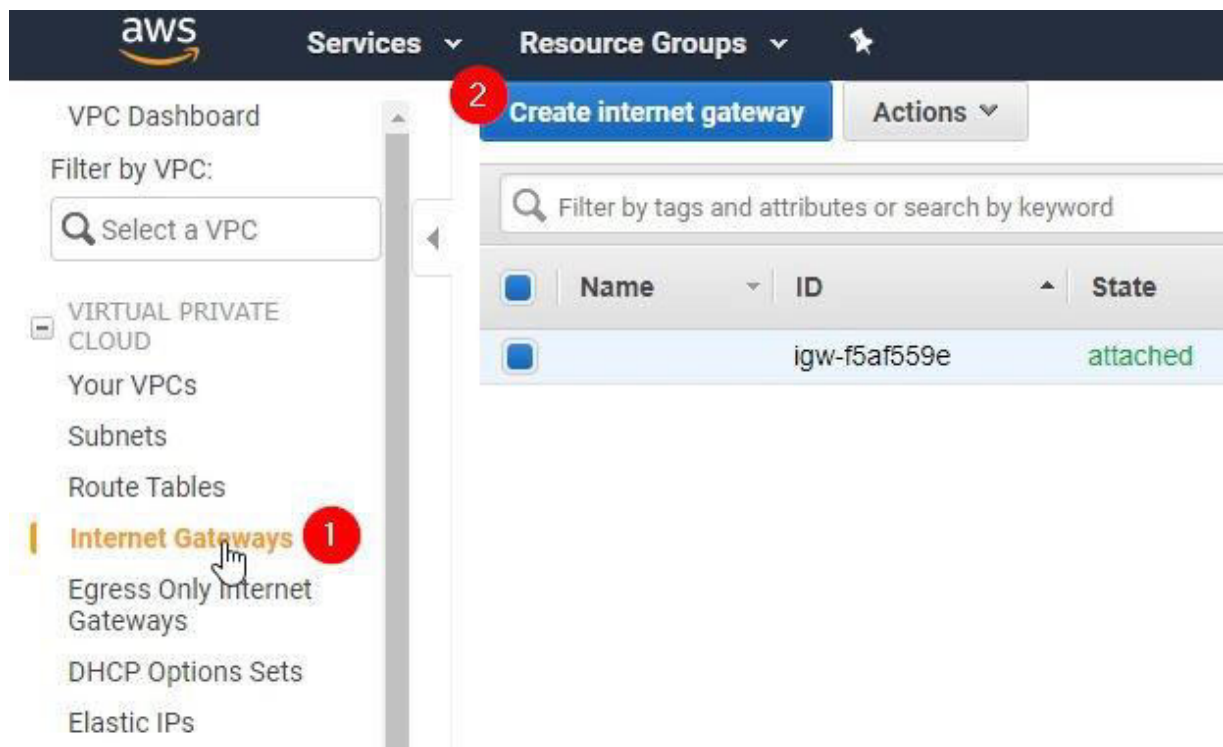
IPv4 CIDR block* 4 ⓘ

* Required

QUESTION: Is this is a High Availability Setup? Why yes, why not?

[Create Internet Gateway](#)

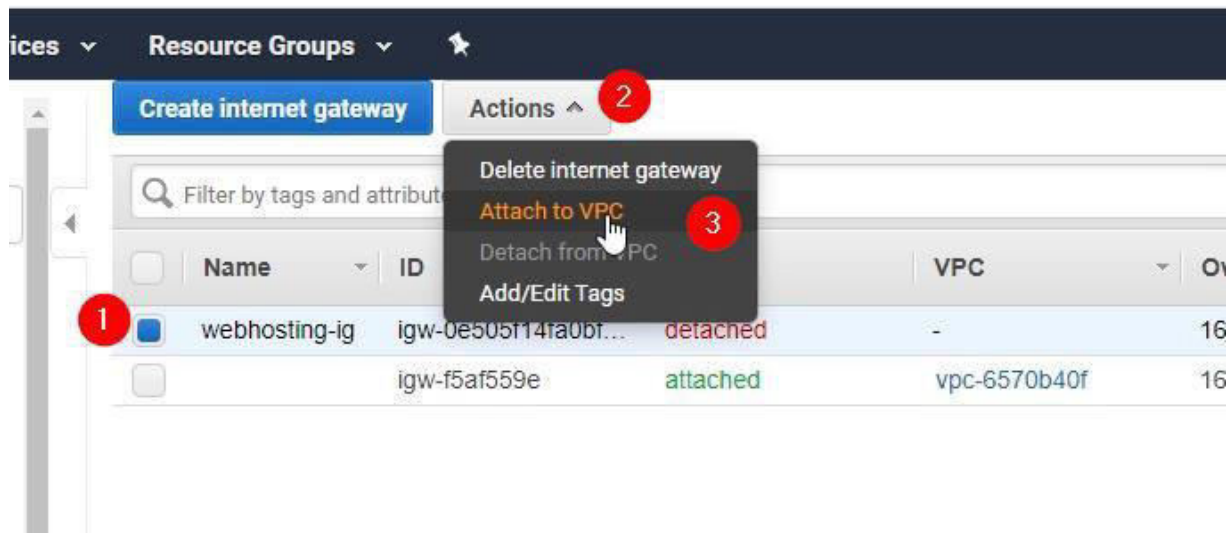
Open the Internet Gateway section of the VPC Dashboard and create an internet Gateway:



Give it a name:

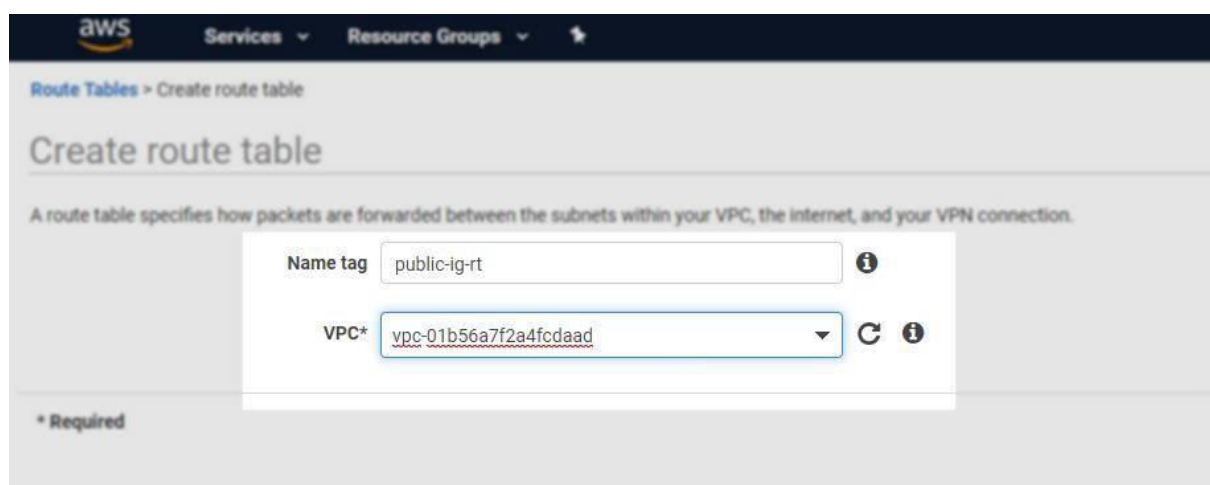
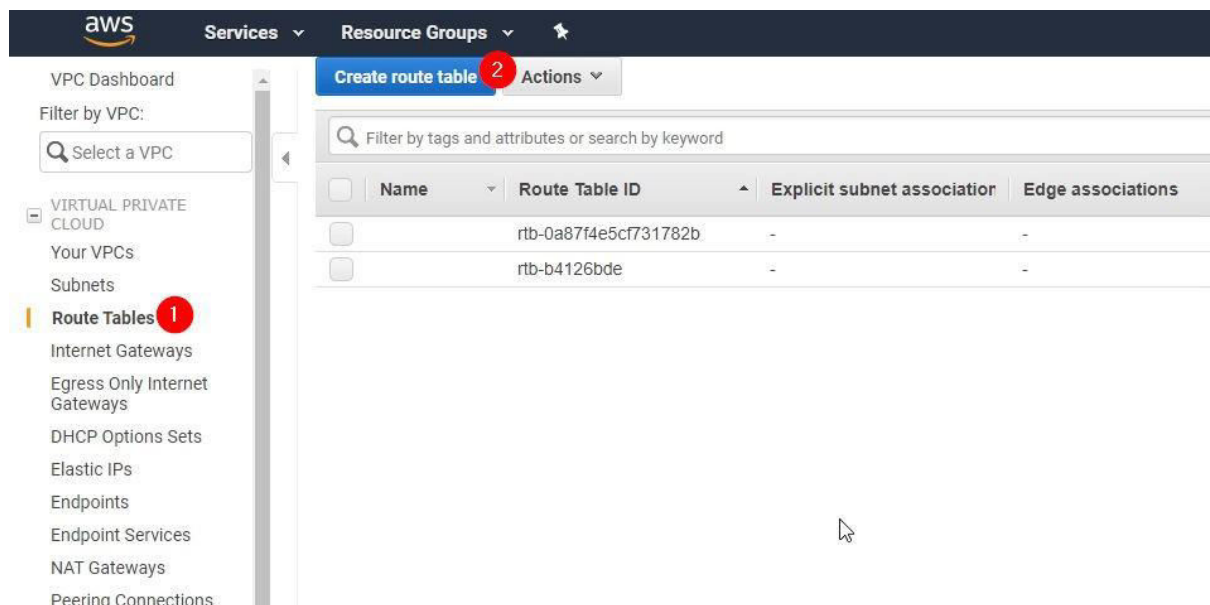
The screenshot shows the 'Create internet gateway' form. The 'Name tag' field is highlighted with a red arrow and contains the text 'webhosting-ig'. Below the form, there is a note: '* Required'.

Then attach it to your VPC:





Create a Route Table

To route traffic from your public subnet to the Internet Gateway you have to create a new Route table:



Edit the new Route Table:

	Name	Route Table ID	Explicit subnet association	Edge associations	Main	VPC ID
	public-ig-rt	rtb-0a77ab7816643f2a4	-	-	No	vpc-01b
		rtb-0a87f4e5cf731782b	-	-	Yes	vpc-01b
		rtb-b4126bde	-	-	Yes	vpc-657

Route Table: rtb-0a77ab7816643f2a4

Summary Routes Subnet Associations Edge Associations Route Propagation Tags

Edit routes

View All routes

Destination	Target
10.0.0.0/16	local

Select 0.0.0.0/0 for the destination and the newly created Internet Gateway for the Target:

[Route Tables](#) > Edit routes

Edit routes

Destination	Target	Status	Propagated
10.0.0.0/16	local	active	No
0.0.0.0/0	igw-		No

Add route

igw-0e505f14fa0bffa44 webhosting-ig

* Required

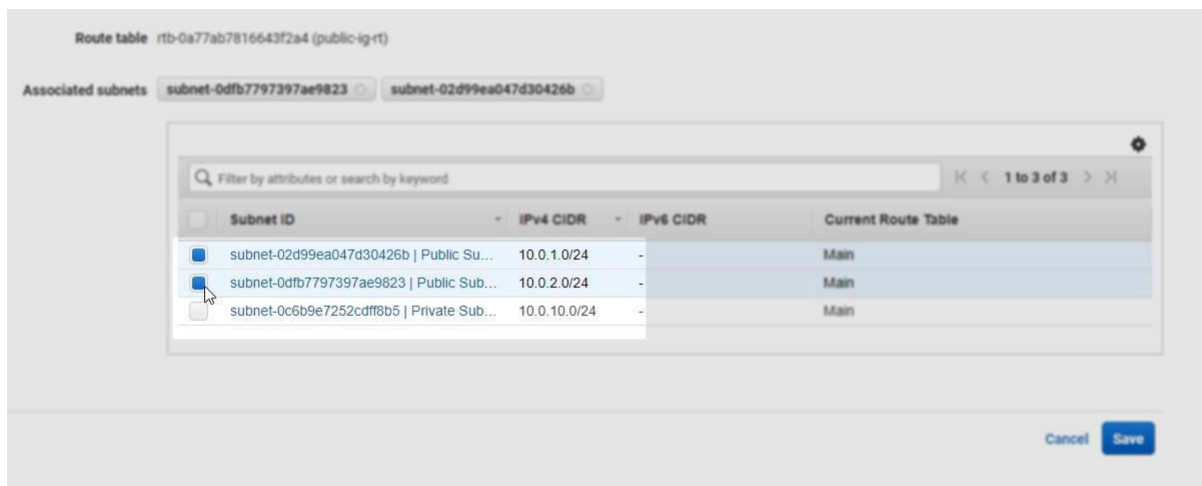
Cancel

Save routes

Associate the right subnet with the new route table:

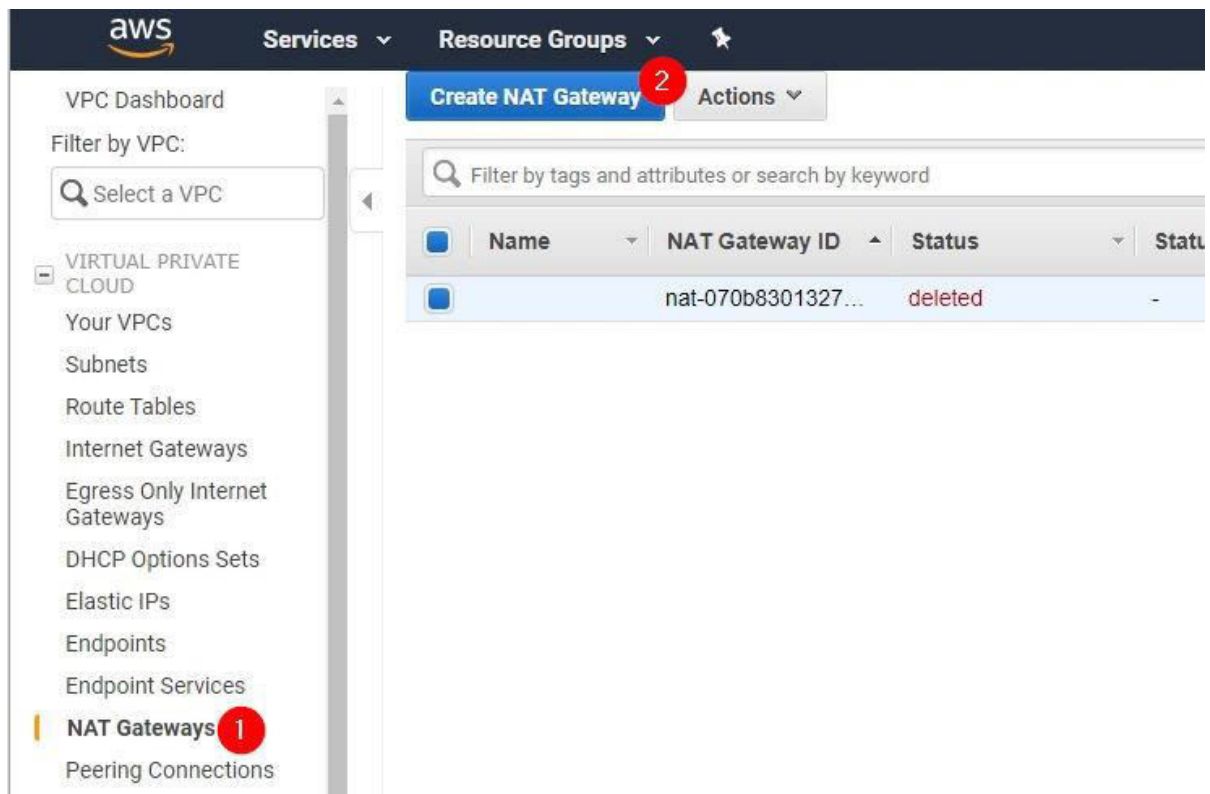


Select the public subnets:



Create a NAT Gateway

For your private subnet to get internet accessibility create a NAT Gateway:



You need to place your subnet in a *public* subnet, because the NAT Gateway needs internet access:

Create a NAT Gateway

Create a NAT gateway and assign it an Elastic IP address. [Learn more.](#)

Subnet*

Elastic IP Allocation ID*

Subnet ID	Subnet Name	VPC ID	VPC Name
subnet-02d99ea047d30426b	Public Subnet 1	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	My Webhosting VPC
subnet-cfd47ba5	-	vpc-6570b40f	-
subnet-0dfb7797397ae9823	Public Subnet 2	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	My Webhosting VPC
subnet-bc21c8f0	-	vpc-6570b40f	-
subnet-0c6b9e7252cdf8b5	Private Subnet 1	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	My Webhosting VPC
subnet-d5f6eca8	-	vpc-6570b40f	-

[Cancel](#) [Create a NAT Gateway](#)

Allocate a new Elastic IP Address:

Create a NAT gateway and assign it an Elastic IP address. [Learn more.](#)

Subnet*

Elastic IP Allocation ID*

[Allocate Elastic IP address](#)

Allocation ID	Elastic IP
No results found.	

[Add Tag](#) 50 remaining (Up to 50 tags maximum)

Edit the Route Tables:

it your route tables to include a route with the following NAT gateway.

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[Edit route tables](#) [Close](#)

Edit the Main Route Table for your new VPC:

Create route table Actions

Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword

Name	Route Table ID	Explicit subnet association	Edge associations	Main	VPC ID	Owner
public-ig-rt	rtb-0a77ab7816643f2a4	2 subnets	-	No	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad ...	161952721022
1	rtb-0a87f4e5cf731782b	-	-	Yes	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad ...	161952721022
	rtb-b4126bde	-	-	Yes	vpc-6570b40f	161952721022

Route Table: rtb-0a87f4e5cf731782b

Summary 2 Subnet Associations Edge Associations Route Propagation Tags

Edit routes 3

View All routes

Destination	Target	Status
10.0.0.0/16	local	active

Select the traffic destination 0.0.0.0/0 with the NAT Gateway as your target:

Destination	Target	Status	Propagated
10.0.0.0/16	local	active	No
0.0.0.0/0	nat-		No

Add route

* Required

Cancel Save routes

nat-019c5d8f1b2e9f6

Auto-Assign a Public IP in public Subnets

Modify *both* public subnets and activate that IP Addresses are automatically assigned:

Select the new VPC (1) and the public subnet for one instance, and the private subnet for another instance (2). Also select that instances should terminate on shutdown (3):

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console configuration page for a new EC2 instance. The following settings are visible:

- Number of instances:** 1. A link "Launch into Auto Scaling Group" is present.
- Purchasing option:** ☐ Request Spot instances.
- Network:** vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdaad | My Webhosting VPC. A red circle with the number 1 is next to the VPC name, and a "Create new VPC" link is to the right.
- Subnet:** subnet-02d99ea047d30426b | Public Subnet 1 | eu-c... 250 IP Addresses available. A red circle with the number 2 is next to the subnet name, and a "Create new subnet" link is to the right.
- Auto-assign Public IP:** Use subnet setting (Enable).
- Placement group:** ☐ Add instance to placement group.
- Capacity Reservation:** Open. A "Create new Capacity Reservation" link is to the right.
- IAM role:** None. A "Create new IAM role" link is to the right.
- Shutdown behavior:** Terminate. A red circle with the number 3 is next to the dropdown menu.
- Stop - Hibernate behavior:** ☐ Enable hibernation as an additional stop behavior.

As User-Data enter the following (for both instances):

```
#!/bin/bash
yum update -y
amazon-linux-extras install -y lamp-mariadb10.2-php7.2 php7.2
yum install -y httpd mariadb-server
systemctl start httpd
systemctl enable httpd
usermod -a -G apache ec2-user
chown -R ec2-user:apache /var/www
chmod 2775 /var/www
find /var/www -type d -exec chmod 2775 {} \;
find /var/www -type f -exec chmod 0664 {} \;
echo "<?php phpinfo(); ?>" > /var/www/html/phpinfo.php
echo "hello apache" > /var/www/html/index.html
```

For the first instance add a new security Group which allows HTTP Access from anywhere:

Step 6: Configure Security Group

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic for your instance. On this page, you can add rules to allow specific traffic to reach your instance. For example, if you want to set up a web server and allow Internet traffic HTTP and HTTPS ports. You can create a new security group or select from an existing one below. [Learn more about Amazon EC2 security groups.](#)

Assign a security group: ☒ Create a new security group 1
☐ Select an existing security group

Security group name: 2

Description:

Type 1	Protocol 1	Port Range 1	Source 1
SSH	TCP	22	Custom 0.0.0.0/0
HTTP 3	TCP	80	Custom 0.0.0.0/0,::/0 4

Then launch the instance.

Launch the instance in the private subnet

For the second instance, do exactly the same as for the public instance, just launch it into the private subnet, but still enable public IP address:

Number of instances 1

Purchasing option ☐ Request Spot instances

Network

Subnet
251 IP Addresses available

Auto-assign Public IP ←

Add the same user-data, select the same Security group we created for the previous instance.

Then launch the instance.

Access Instance in Public Subnet

SSH Into the Instance in the public subnet:

Launch Instance

Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword

Name	Instance ID	Instance Type	Availability Zone	Instance State	Status Checks	Alarm Status	Public DNS (IPv4)
<input type="checkbox"/>	i-0182d94c4f76c981a	t2.micro					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	i-0b4192444c71c1004	t2.micro					
<input type="checkbox"/>	i-0c1dfe883c994d4ba	t2.micro					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	i-0d4197803ea25e4...	t2.micro					
<input type="checkbox"/>	i-0e2a6471de24779...	t2.micro					

Instance: Public IP:

Connect to your instance

Connection method ☒ A standalone SSH client 1
☐ Session Manager 1
☐ EC2 Instance Connect (browser-based SSH connection) 1

To access your instance:

1. Open an SSH client. (find out how to [connect using PuTTY](#))
2. Locate your private key file (my-keypair.pem). The wizard automatically detects the key you used to launch the instance.
3. Your key must not be publicly viewable for SSH to work. Use this command if needed:

```
chmod 400 my-keypair.pem
```
4. Connect to your instance using its Public IP:

```
3.123.33.68
```

Example:

```
ssh -i "my-keypair.pem" i-0b4192444c71c1004
```

```
ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-67:~$ ssh -i "my-keypair.pem" ec2-user@3.123.33.68
Course 14 - Understanding Docker with AWS ECS and Fargate>
The authenticity of host '3.123.33.68 (3.123.33.68)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:Jx05/FJDqjpFbVzLkv89zm6hnnkLyVkiFhZOb+7a8Q.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '3.123.33.68' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.

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https://aws.amazon.com/amazon-linux-2/
No packages needed for security; 1 packages available
Run "sudo yum update" to apply all updates.
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-67 ~]$
```

Try to Access into the EC2 Instance in the private Subnet

Observe a connection timeout when you try and connect to the instance in the private subnet:

```
Course 14 - Understanding Docker with AWS ECS and Fargate> ssh -i "my-keypair.pem" ec2-user@3.123.6.96
ssh: connect to host 3.123.6.96 port 22: Connection timed out
Course 14 - Understanding Docker with AWS ECS and Fargate>
```

Access the private instance via the bastion host

Our Instance in the public subnet acts as a bastion host. SSH into the public instance and then from there connect to the private instance:

1. SSH Into the instance in the public subnet
2. Curl from there to the private IPv4 Address of the instance in the private subnet
3. You should see the output from Apache.
4. That means you can connect via the bastion host

```
Course 14 - Understanding Docker with AWS ECS and Fargate> ssh -i "my-keypair.pem" ec2-user@3.123.33.68
Last login: Sun Mar 29 13:03:47 2020 from 193-83-48-135.adsl.highway.telekom.at

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 _ | _ | )
 _ | _ | ) Amazon Linux 2 AMI
 _ | _ | )

https://aws.amazon.com/amazon-linux-2/
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-67 ~]$ curl http://10.0.10.242
hello apache
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-67 ~]$
```

You can safely terminate your instances now to save Free-Tier credits.

Use a Load Balancer to connect to Instances in private Subnets

Launch a private EC2 Instance

Launch again an EC2 Instance with the same AMI, same Instance type as before, same User-Data.

For the security group, create a new security group and remove *all* rules:

Step 6: Configure Security Group

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Assign a security group: ☒ Create a new security group ☐ Select an existing security group

Security group name:

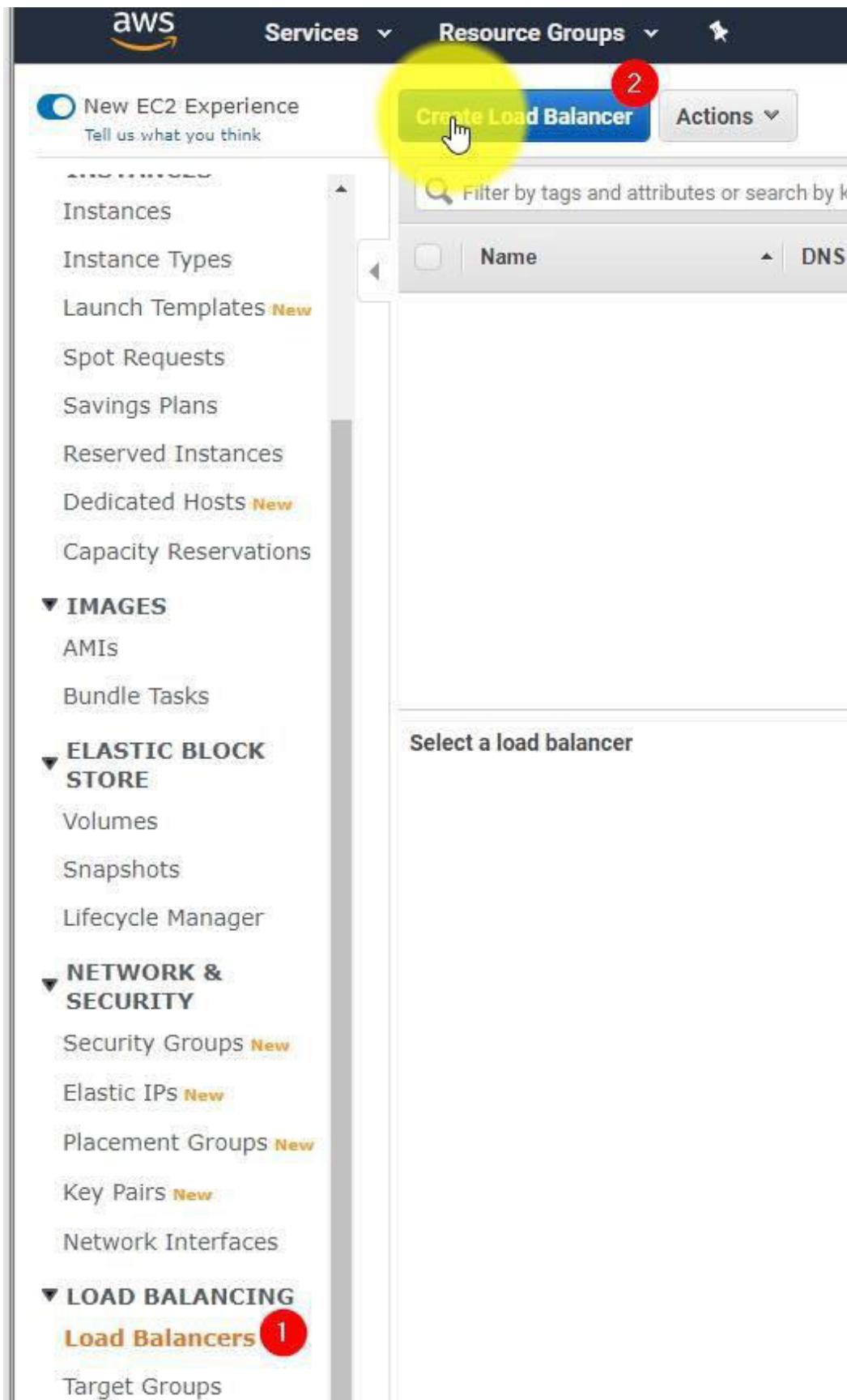
Description:

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description
This security group has no rules.				

Then launch your instance.

Create an Application Load Balancer

In the EC2 Dashboard select Load Balancer and hit "Create Load Balancer"



Select an Application Load Balancer. Give the Load Balancer a name (1) and place it into your two *public* subnets (2) and (3):

1. Configure Load Balancer

2. Configure Security Settings

3. Configure Security Groups

4. Configure Routing

5. Register Targets

6. Review

Step 1: Configure Load Balancer

Basic Configuration

To configure your load balancer, provide a name, select a scheme, specify one or more listeners, and select a network. The default configuration is an Internet-facing load balancer in

Name ⓘ

webserver-lb 1

Scheme ⓘ

☒ internet-facing
☐ internal

IP address type ⓘ

ipv4 ▾

Listeners

A listener is a process that checks for connection requests, using the protocol and port that you configured.

Load Balancer Protocol	Load Balancer Port
HTTP ▾	80

Add listener

Availability Zones

Specify the Availability Zones to enable for your load balancer. The load balancer routes traffic to the targets in these Availability Zones only. You can specify only one subnet per Availability Zone.

VPC ⓘ

vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcd0ad (10.0.0.0/16) | My Webhosting VPC ▾

Availability Zones

☒ eu-central-1a

subnets-02d99ea047d30426b (Public Subnet 1) 2

IPv4 address ⓘ

Assigned by AWS

☒ eu-central-1b

subnets-0dfb7797397ae9823 (Public Subnet 2) 3

IPv4 address ⓘ

Assigned by AWS

Attach a new Security Group to the Load Balancer:

1. Configure Load Balancer

2. Configure Security Settings

3. Configure Security Groups

4. Configure Routing

5. Register Targets

6. Review

Step 3: Configure Security Groups

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic to your load balancer. On this page, you can add rules to allow specific traffic to reach your load balancer. First, decide whether to create a new security group or select an existing one.

Assign a security group: ☒ Create a new security group 1
☐ Select an existing security group

Security group name:

load-balancer-sg 2

Description:

load-balancer-wizard-1 created on 2020-03-29T15:09:46.580+02:00

Type ⓘ	Protocol ⓘ	Port Range ⓘ	Source ⓘ
Custom TCP F ▾	TCP	80	Custom ▾ 0.0.0.0/0, ::/0

Add Rule

Create a new Target Group for the Load Balancer:

Step 4: Configure Routing

Your load balancer routes requests to the targets in this target group using the protocol and port that you specify.

Target group

Target group ⓘ New target group ▼

Name ⓘ my-webserver-tg

Target type

- ☒ Instance
- ☐ IP
- ☐ Lambda function

Protocol ⓘ HTTP ▼

Port ⓘ 80

Health checks

Protocol ⓘ HTTP ▼

Path ⓘ /

▶ Advanced health check settings

Register your Instance in your private subnet into the Target Group:

Step 5: Register Targets

Register targets with your target group. If you register a target in an enabled Availability Zone, the load balancer starts routing requests to the targets as soon as the registration process completes and the target passes the initial health checks.

Registered targets

To deregister instances, select one or more registered instances and then click Remove.

Remove

<input type="checkbox"/>	Instance	Name	Port	State	Security groups	Zone
<input type="checkbox"/>	i-0d250b9472a51f403		80	running	ec2-private-subnet	eu-central-1a

Instances

To register additional instances, select one or more running instances, specify a port, and then click Add. The default port is the port specified for the target group. If the instance is already registered on the specified port, you must specify a different port.

Add to registered on port 80

<input type="checkbox"/>	Instance	Name	State	Security groups	Zone	Subnet ID	Subnet CIDR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	i-0d250b9472a51f403		running	ec2-private-subnet	eu-central-1a	subnet-0c6b9e7252cdf8b5	10.0.10.0/24

Then create the Load Balancer.

Allow Load-Balancer Traffic in the Security Group

In the ec2-instance security group edit the inbound rules to allow Traffic from the Load Balancer to the EC2 Instance:

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM console interface. On the left sidebar, the 'NETWORK & SECURITY' section is expanded, and 'Security Groups' is selected. The main panel displays a table of Security Groups. The first group, 'sg-078dce601bbcbf47e', is highlighted. Below the table, the 'Inbound rules' tab is selected for this group. The 'Inbound rules' section shows 'No rules found' with a message: 'This security group has no inbound rules.' A yellow circle highlights the 'Inbound rules' tab. Another yellow circle highlights the 'Edit inbound rules' button. A third yellow circle highlights the 'Type' dropdown menu, which is set to 'HTTP'. A fourth yellow circle highlights the 'Source' dropdown menu, which is set to 'Custom'. A fifth yellow circle highlights the 'Port range' dropdown menu, which is set to '80'. A sixth yellow circle highlights the 'Description - optional' field.

Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description	Owner	Inbound rules count	Outbound rules count
sg-078dce601bbcbf47e	ec2-private-subnet	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	launch-wizard-1 create...	161952721022	0 Permission entries	1 Permission entry
sg-07fa247148afe9635	default	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	default VPC security gr...	161952721022	1 Permission entry	1 Permission entry
sg-0cf1815547269dea2	ec2-sg	vpc-6570b40f	Allows SSH Access to E...	161952721022	2 Permission entries	1 Permission entry
sg-0de327120ccc0aacf	efs-sg	vpc-6570b40f	EFS File System	161952721022	1 Permission entry	1 Permission entry
sg-0e225de4963db4e75	load-balancer-sg	vpc-01b56a7f2a4fcdad	load-balancer-wizard...	161952721022	2 Permission entries	1 Permission entry

Test the Load Balancer

Wait until the load balancer is active, then copy the DNS Name and open the url in a new Tab:

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM console interface. The 'Load balancer' section is selected, and the 'webserver-lb' load balancer is highlighted. The 'Description' tab is selected. The 'Basic Configuration' section shows the following details:

Name	Value
Name	webserver-lb
ARN	arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:eu-central-1:161952721022:loadbalancer/app/webserver-lb/ab415f2895bbb741
DNS name	webserver-lb-1915770993.eu-central-1.elb.amazonaws.com (A Record)
State	active

A yellow circle highlights the 'DNS name' field. Another yellow circle highlights the 'Copied' button next to the DNS name.

You should see the hello apache string:



Clean Up

Tear down everything again:

1. Terminate the EC2 Instance
2. Delete the Load Balancer
3. Remove the Target Group
4. Delete the NAT Gateway
5. Disassociate the Elastic IP
6. Then Release the Elastic IP
7. Disassociate the Public Subnets from the Custom Route Table
8. Delete the Custom Route Table
9. Detach the Internet Gateway from the VPC
10. Delete the Internet Gateway
11. Delete the three Subnets from your VPC
12. Delete the VPC
- 13.