DV1566 Cloud Computing

Project Report

Group 9

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Problem Description

This project aims to implement a Web application on the AWS (Amazon Web Services) platform where the application must be able to handle many users accessing the data in the application by means of auto scaling and satisfy the scalability requirements.

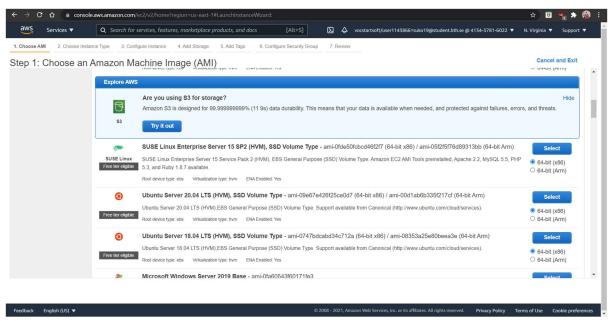
Design Method

A simple web page is created and deployed into AWS platform. The implementation is achieved using the EC2 instance of the Ubuntu Amazon Machine Image in the server. Along with Ubuntu, Apache Web Server and Gunicorn WSGI are configured to make sure that the application runs even if the instance closes and used to deploy the application. Scaling policies are added in order to handle the requests for the data in the application and auto scaling is achieved using the scaling policies.

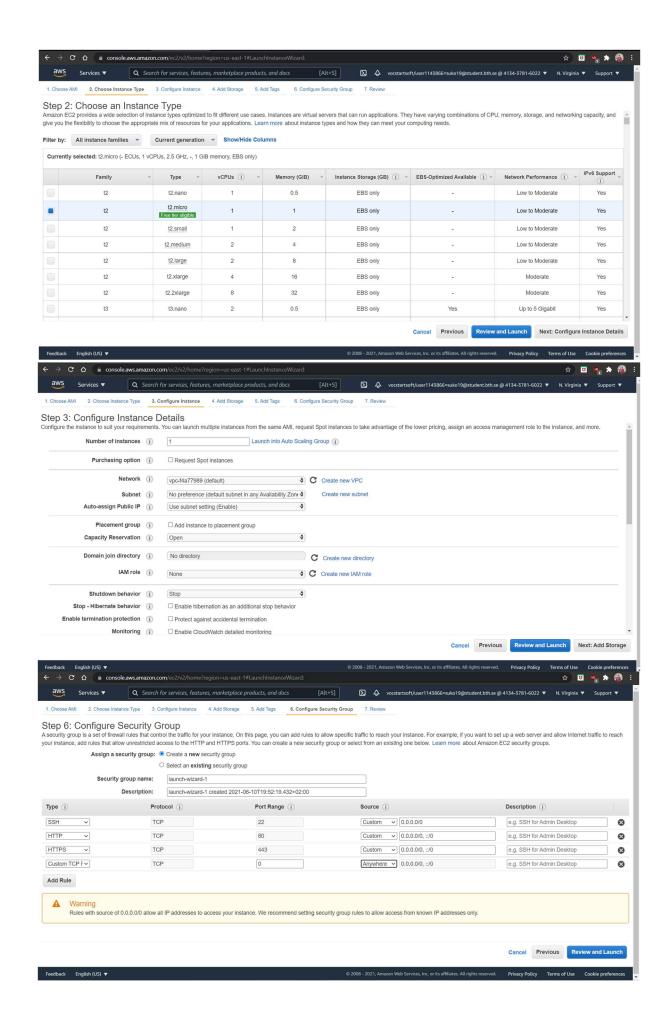
Implementation

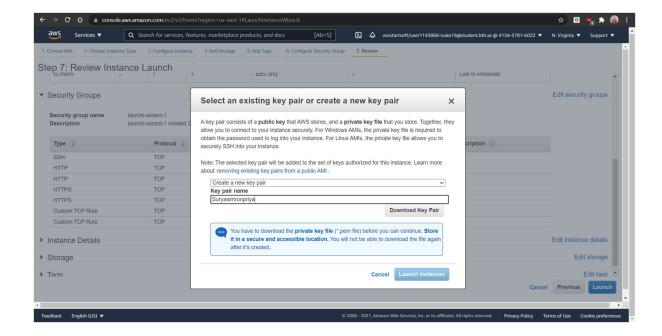
Step 1: An EC2 instance is launched in the Amazon Web Services to deploy the web application created.

- a. Select the EC2 services and launch it in AWS console
- b. The Ubuntu Amazon Machine Image is selected.

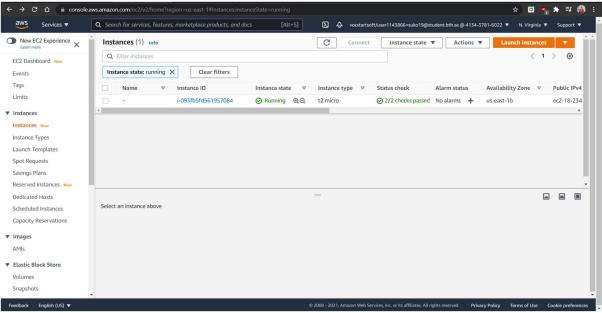


- c. The default VPC and subnets are selected.
- d. A security group is configured with adequate rules.
- e. A key pair is generated with desires name and the PEM file stored.





f. Now the Instance is running.



g. Now the EC2 instance is connected to the server using PuTTy application.

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Hosting the Web page

To host the web page, a web server is required which is installed using the following commands

sudo apt-get update

sudo apt-get install apache2

Now the document root is accessed for the Apache Web server, where Apache navigates to find files that can be served.

cd var/www/html

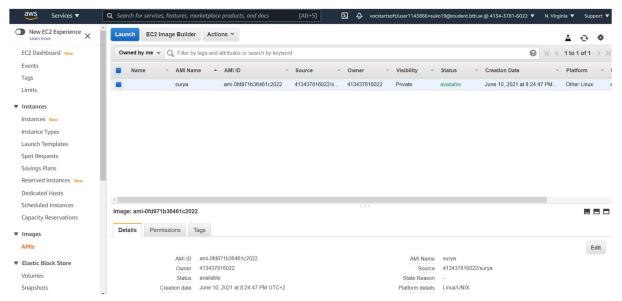
In this directory the web page is created that needs to be deployed in the Apache server

sudo nano webpage.html

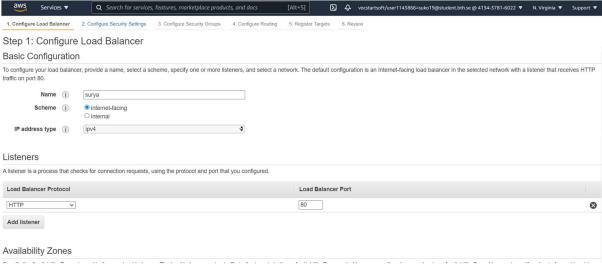
The file that is created in the document root will now be hosted in the Apache server. This web page can now be configured for autoscaling using the Amazon Web Services in order to enable functionality to handle any large traffic to access the data in the web page.

Autoscaling of the web application created using AWS Platform.

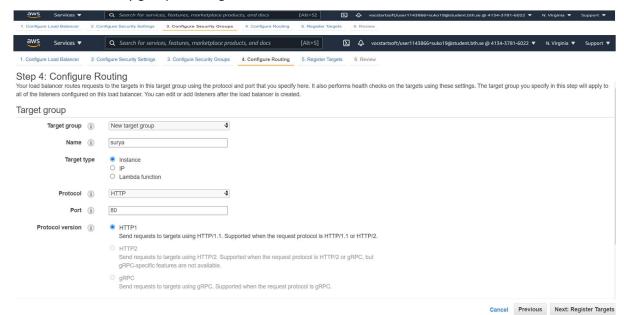
1. To achieve auto scaling, an image for the instance is generated in the application is created.



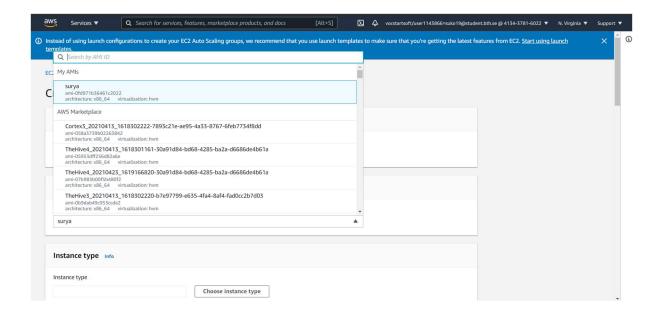
2. A load balancer is configured for the application that is deployed. This is to handle the traffic for the application and achieve auto scaling. The default are selected for VPC and its subnets.

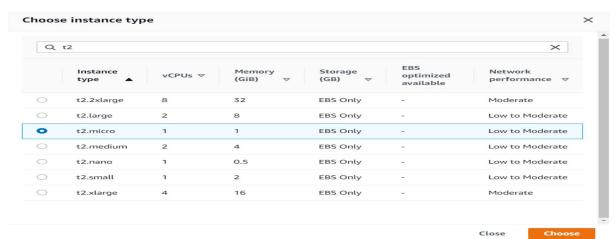


3. The security group is configured with HTTP and SSH inbound rules.

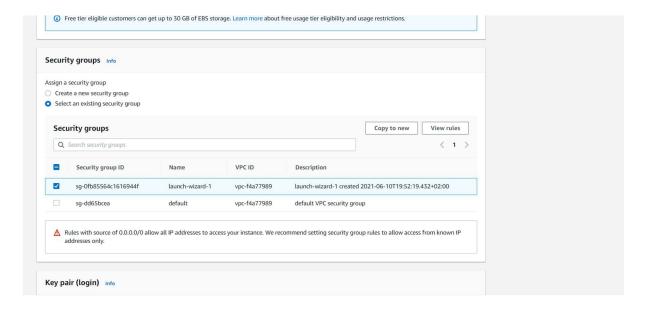


- 4. Now the load balancer is launched by generating a target group.
- 5. Further we create a configuration for the AMI generated for the instance using the t2.micro instance type.

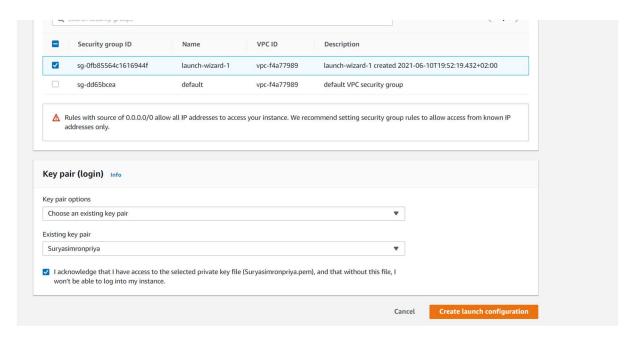




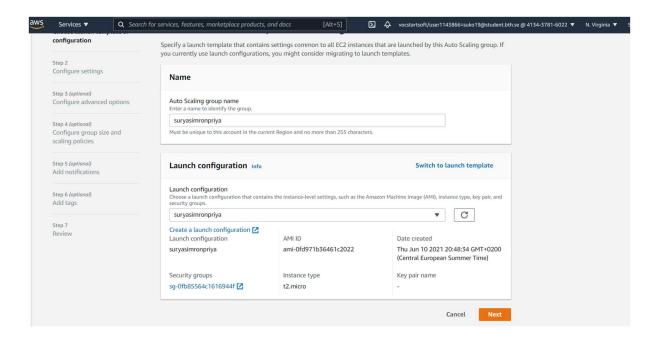
6. A security group is selected from the existing groups, or a new security group can be generated. Here, an existing security group is selected.

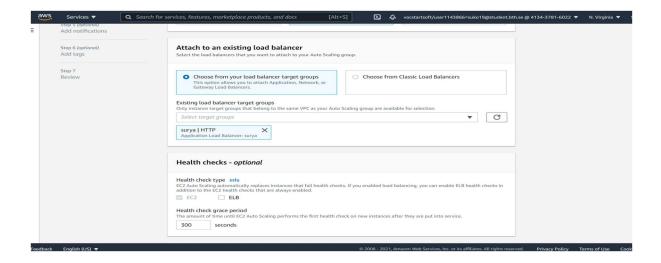


7. A key pair is required to create the launch configuration.

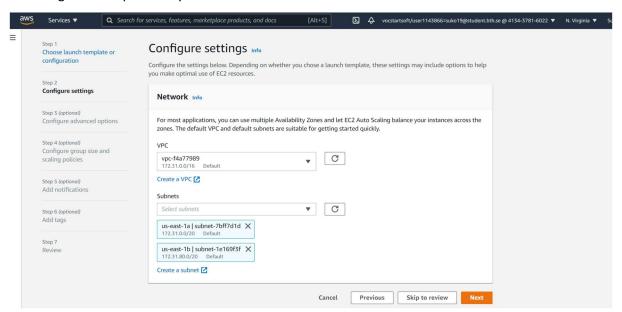


8. Utilising the launch configuration, we generate an autoscaling group. The launch configuration is selected and in the configuration settings the defaults are set for VPC and respective subnets are created.

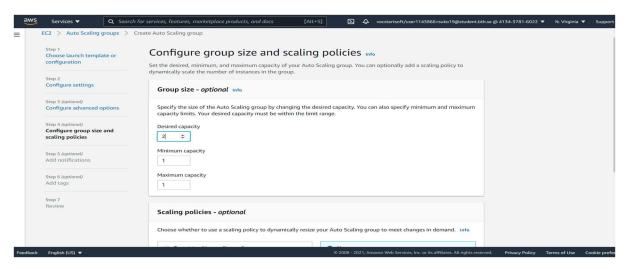




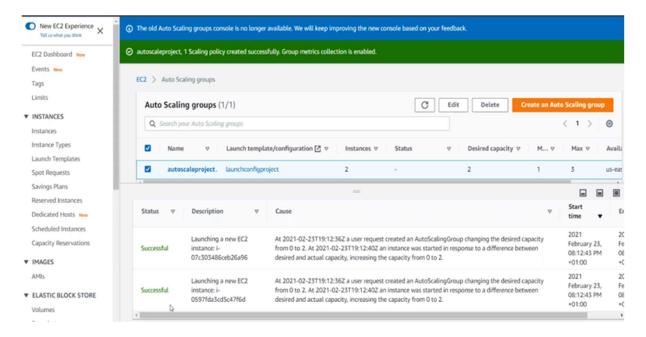
9. To this autoscaling group that is generated and configured, the load balancer that has been generated previously will be attached.



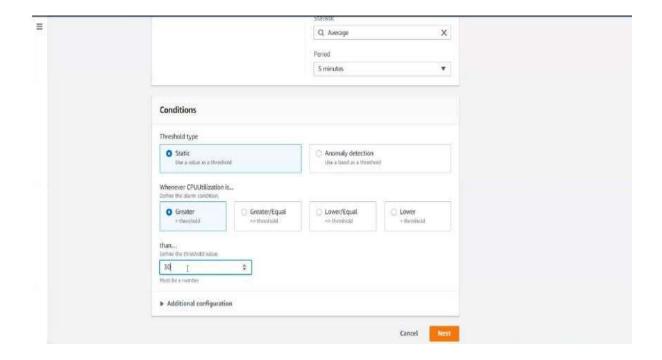
10. Following, the group size is configured as desired by assigning minimum and maximum capacities for the group, and scaling policies are added.



11. Based on the number of configured instances, all the instances get launched and the webpage created is deployed in the instances. These can be found in the activity of the auto scaling group.



12. A threshold is set, and an alarm is created for the metric and the step scaling policy is generated. This will trigger when the data access in the web page reaches threshold.



13. The Apache bench is stressed to increase the requests to the web page which simulates the traffic to access the data in the web page.

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Completed 50000 requests
Completed 150000 requests
Completed 250000 requests
Completed 250000 requests
Completed 250000 requests
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Verification

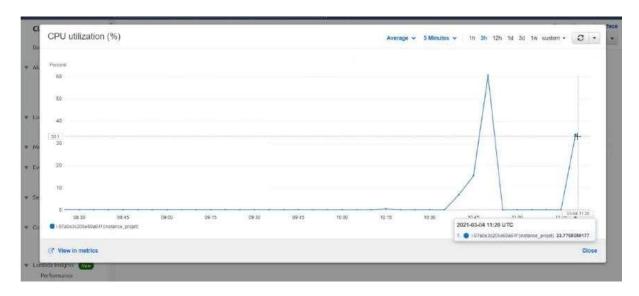
The web page created is deployed in the EC2 ubuntu instance. This web page can be accessed from the IPv4 address

http://ec2-3-93-212-172.compute-1.amazonaws.com/

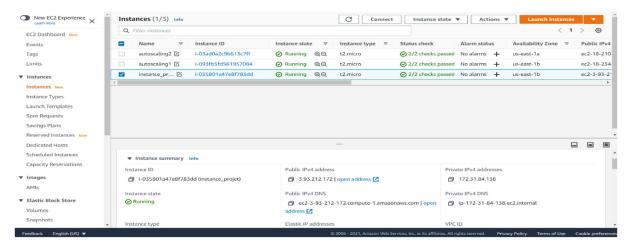
The autoscaling group with capacity 2 is launched with tracking policy. The Web page is deployed in both the instances and the instances are used for autoscaling. As soon the load reaches in an instance, the other instance gets initiated as the web page is also deployed in both the instances.



The utilisation is increased as the stress is increased on the web page using the Apache test bench. The utilisation with the increase in the traffic can also be observed.



As soon as the stress is increased beyond the threshold level as configured in the step scaling policy, the scalability of the web page deployed is achieved.



Result

A web page has been created and deployed using the EC2 Ubuntu server in the Amazon Web Services. This is configured with the Apache Web Server, and Gunicorn WSGI is configured in-order to increase the functionality and to make the application run in the background. The web page with desired data is configured for autoscaling with two desired instances with a set threshold value for the traffic utilisation. The utilisation is for the Ubuntu server configured in the EC2 instance of the Amazon Web Service. The Web page is then subjected to stress by simulating large number of requests using the Apache test bench and when the threshold value is reached while stressing, the alarm will be set off, confining to the scaling policy, and thus achieving the autoscaling. Hence, the Web page created in the Amazon Web Services satisfies the autoscaling and scalability requirements with respect to the increased access for the data. The IPv4 link is http://ec2-3-93-212-172.compute-1.amazonaws.com/