AZURE TRAFFIC MANAGER BY SUBHASH GUNDA

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Problem Statement

Tech survey ecommerce site need a better solution for their application which is deployed geographically in different zones across the world for them performance and uptime are the main key points to keep their site up and running with no single point of failure.

Overview of Technology

Microsoft Azure Traffic manager is the point of discussion here. Briefly about it, Microsoft Azure Traffic Manager allows control the distribution of user traffic for service endpoints in different datacenters. Service endpoints supported by traffic manager include Azure VMs, Web Apps, and cloud services. It can also be used with external, non-Azure endpoints.

- Traffic Manager uses DNS to direct client requests to most appropriate endpoint.
- Endpoints based on traffic-routing method and Health of the endpoints.

Traffic Manager benefits

- Improves the availability of critical applications
- Improves the responsiveness of high-performance applications
- Performs service maintenance without downtime
- Combines on-premises and Cloud-based applications
- Distribute traffic for large, complex deployments

Traffic Manager routing methods

Azure traffic Manager supports four traffic-routing methods to determine how to route network traffic to the various service endpoints. Traffic Manager applies the traffic-routing method to each DNS query it receives. Below are four traffic routing methods.

- Priority
- Weighted
- Performance
- Geographic

High Level Overview of steps

- 1. Four Azure windows based VMs each with a power shell script
- 2. Installed Java 1.8 JDK, NetBeans IDE 8.2 along with Glassfish Server 4.1 on all of them
- 3. Installed Oracle Database 11g Express Edition on one of the VM
- 4. Ran SQL queries to ingest data on the database
- 5. Deployed survey and survey admin apps on Glassfish server by changing libraries
- 6. Updated JDBC connection string to talk to the DB respectively from each GlassFish Server.
- 7. Ran PowerShell script to Create Azure Traffic Manager Profile 'performance' based
- 8. Create DNS for the site using DNS Zone and did a CNAME to point to Traffic Manager Profile.

Data Set

Survey URLs:

http://gsrworld.techsurvey.com/survey/index.xhtml

Survey Admin URLs:

http://gsrworld.techsurvey.com/surveyadmin/home.jsp

Traffic Manager Survey URLs:

http://gen-unique.trafficmanager.net/survey/index.xhtml

Traffic Manager Survey Admin URL:

http://gen-unique.trafficmanager.net/surveyadmin/home.jsp

- Online-Survey-System-Java-Project Size: 3..2 MB
- I haven't included other tools as they are big like netbeans, oracle db and java jdk
- Power shell scripts are included

Hardware

- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Azure Traffic Manager

Software:

- NetBeans IDE 8.2
- GlassFish Server 4.1
- Java JDK 1.8
- Oracle Database 11g Express Edition
- JDBC Driver ojdbc7.jar
- JSF Libraries 1.2, 2.2
- My PC with Apache 2.4
- MY PC with host entry change

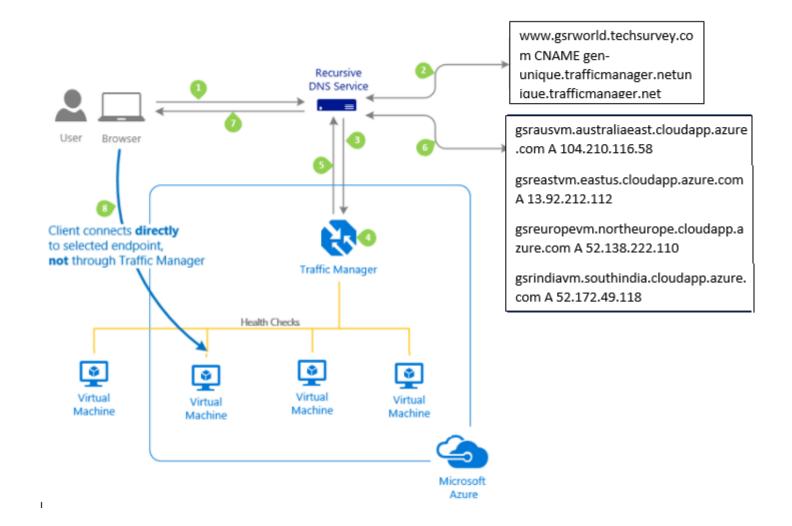
References:

http://www.codewithc.com/online-survey-system-project-java/

Lessons Learned & Pros/Cons

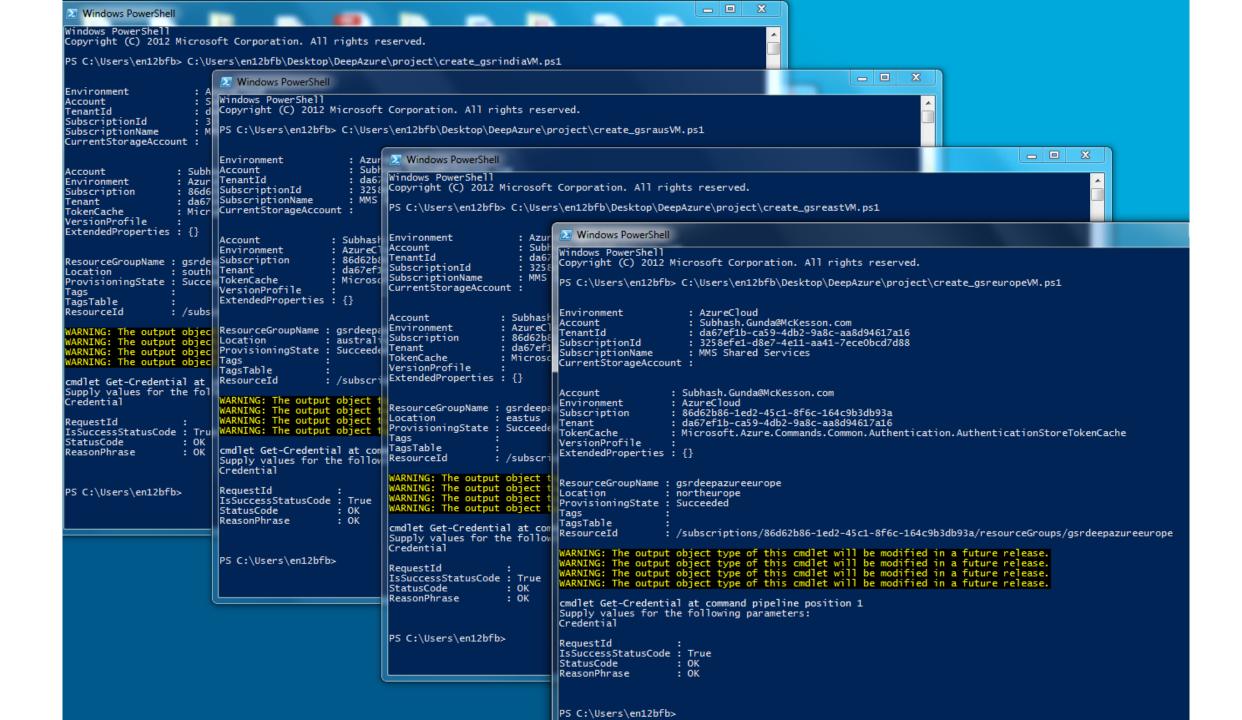
- Need to disable Windows Firewall which was not allowing incoming traffic
- NSGs can able applied at the network interface level or the subnet level for a VM.
- Not able to submit the survey may be a code but couldn't figure out.
- DNS zone Site DNS CNAME to Azure Traffic Manager Profile not working so I used my PC with apache as a portal DNS Server

Depiction of flow of Trafffic for gsrworld.techsurvey.com Site

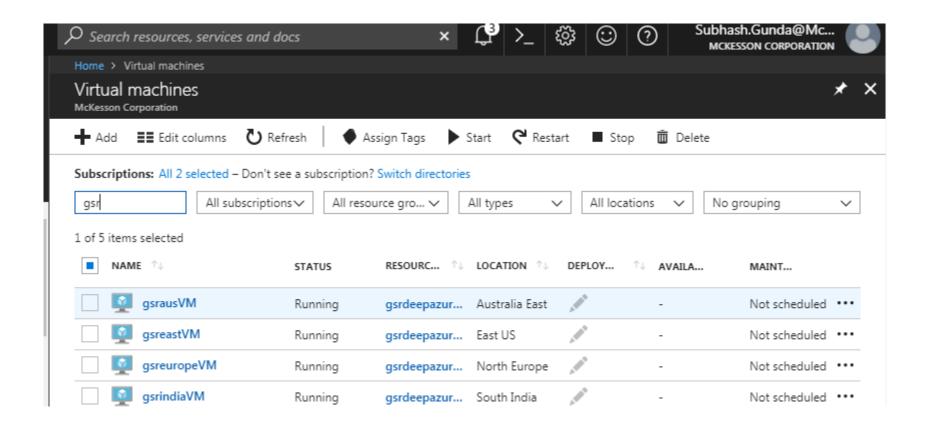


Power Shell Script for the Europe VM And its Execution

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Windows PowerShell ISE
File Edit View Tools Debug Add-ons Help
                    create_gsreuropeVM.ps1 X
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      # Login to azure portal
      Login-AzureRmAccount
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      # Select the desired subscription
      Select-AzureRmSubscription -SubscriptionName "McKesson Deep Dive Training (4)"
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      # Resource Group
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      New-AzureRmResourceGroup -Name $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location
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      # Storage
      $StorageAccount = New-AzureRmStorageAccount -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Name $StorageName -Type $StorageType -Location $Location
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      # Network
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      $PIp = New-AzureRmPublicIpAddress -Name $InterfaceName -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location -AllocationMethod Static
      $rule1 = New-AzureRmNetworkSecurityRuleConfig -Name rdp-rule -Description "Allow RDP" -Access Allow -Protocol Tcp -Direction Inbound -Priority 100 -SourceAddressPrefix Internet
      $nsg = New-AzureRmNetworkSecurityGroup -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location -Name $NSGName -SecurityRules $rule1,$rule2
      $SubnetConfig = New-AzureRmVirtualNetworkSubnetConfig -Name $Subnet1Name -AddressPrefix $VNetSubnetAddressPrefix -NetworkSecurityGroup $nsq
      $VNet = New-AzureRmVirtualNetwork -Name $VNetName -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location -AddressPrefix $VNetAddressPrefix -Subnet $SubnetConfig
      $Interface = New-AzureRmNetworkInterface -Name $InterfaceName -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location -SubnetId $VNet.Subnets[0].Id -PublicIpAddressId $PIp.Id
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      # Compute
  46
      ## Setup local VM object
      $Credential = Get-Credential
      $VirtualMachine = New-AzureRmVMConfig -VMName $VMName -VMSize $VMSize
      $VirtualMachine = Set-AzureRmVMOperatingSystem -VM $VirtualMachine -Windows -ComputerName $\,\cent{ComputerName} -Credential $\,\cent{Credential} -\,\cent{ProvisionVMAgent} -\,\cent{EnableAutoUpdate}
      $VirtualMachine = Set-AzureRmVMSourceImage -VM $VirtualMachine -PublisherName MicrosoftWindowsServer -Offer WindowsServer -Skus 2012-R2-Datacenter -Version "latest"
      $VirtualMachine = Add-AzureRmVMNetworkInterface -VM $VirtualMachine -Id $Interface.Id
      $OSDiskUri = $StorageAccount.PrimaryEndpoints.Blob.ToString() + "vhds/" + $OSDiskName + ".vhd"
  53
      $VirtualMachine = Set-AzureRmVMOSDisk -VM $VirtualMachine -Name $OSDiskName -VhdUri $OSDiskUri -CreateOption FromImage
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      ## Create the VM in Azure
      New-AzureRmVM -ResourceGroupName $ResourceGroupName -Location $Location -VM $VirtualMachine
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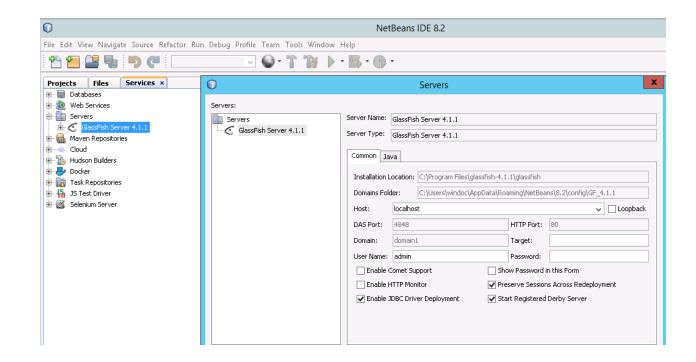


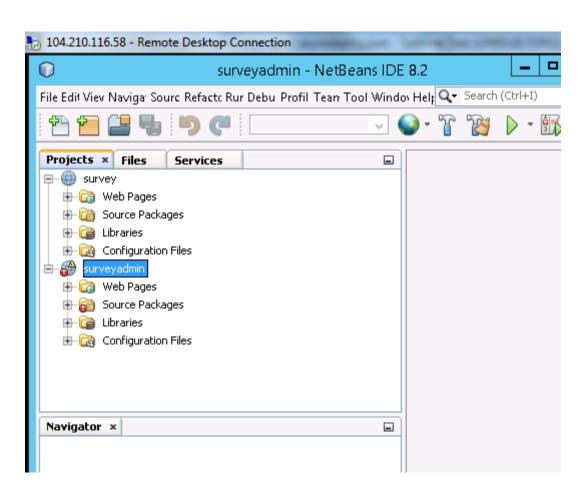
List of all the VMs on Azure portal after Execution



Software Installation

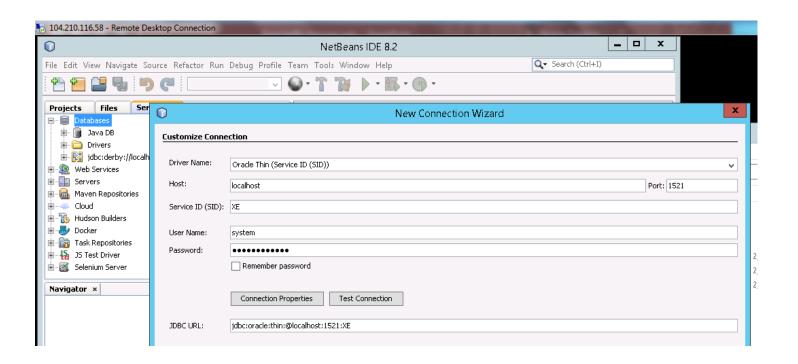
- RDP to the VMS
- Install Java 1.8 JDK
- Install NetBeans 8.2 along with GlassFish Server
- Update port for GlassFish Server to be 80



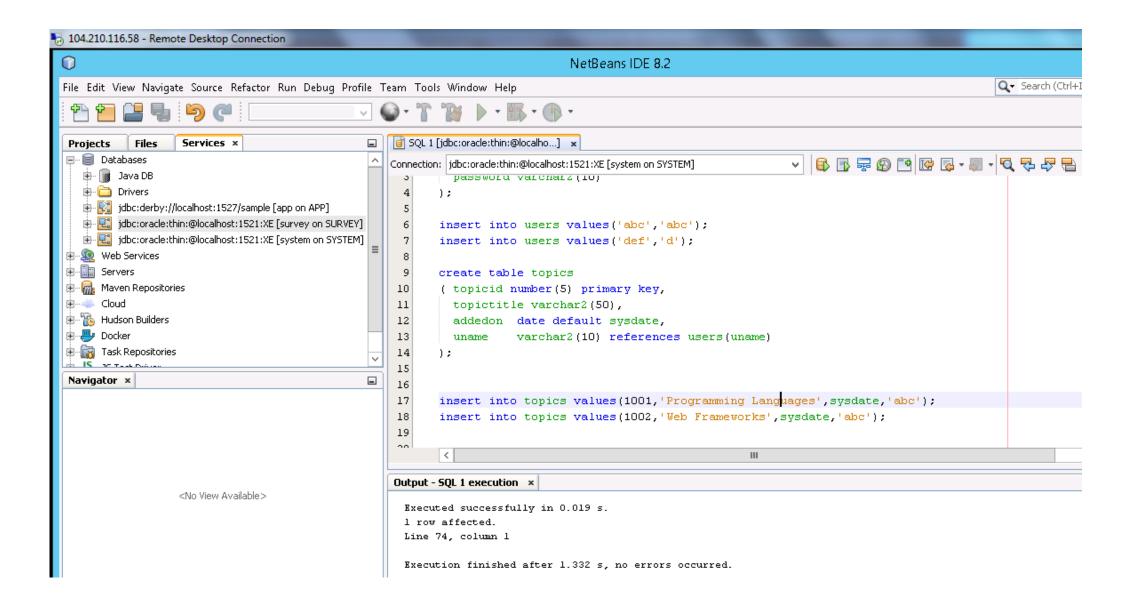


Oracle Database 11g Express Edition Steps

- Install Oracle Database
 11g Express Edition on
 one of the VM in this case
 Australia VM
- Connect to the DB with IDS and ingest data from web app folder

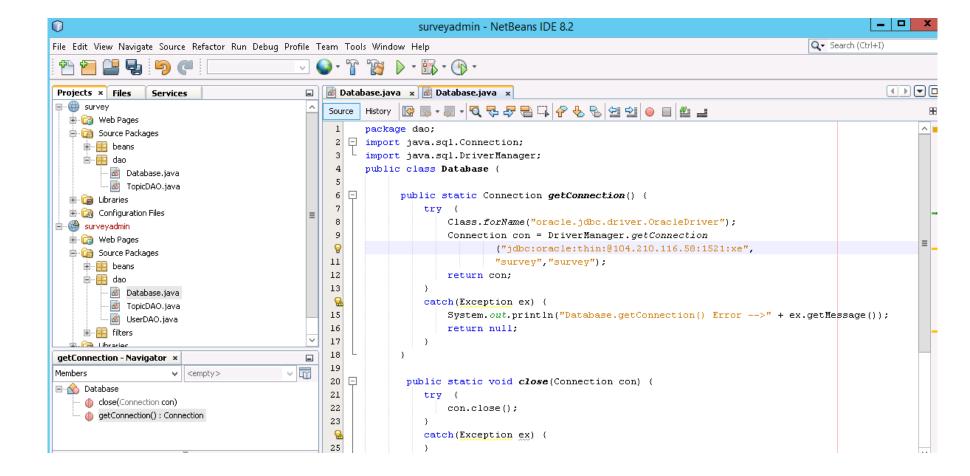


Ingesting Data in to the DB

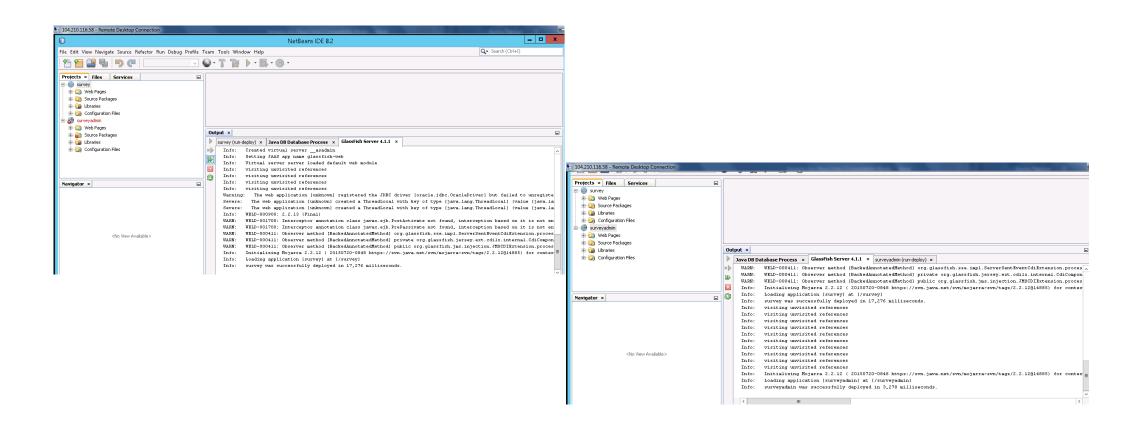


Java Program Changes

- Import survery and surveyadmin projects in to the IDE
- Make changes to
 Database.java file
 on eastus, india,
 Europe VMs to
 point to the public
 IP of Australia VM
 database instance



Deploy Changes

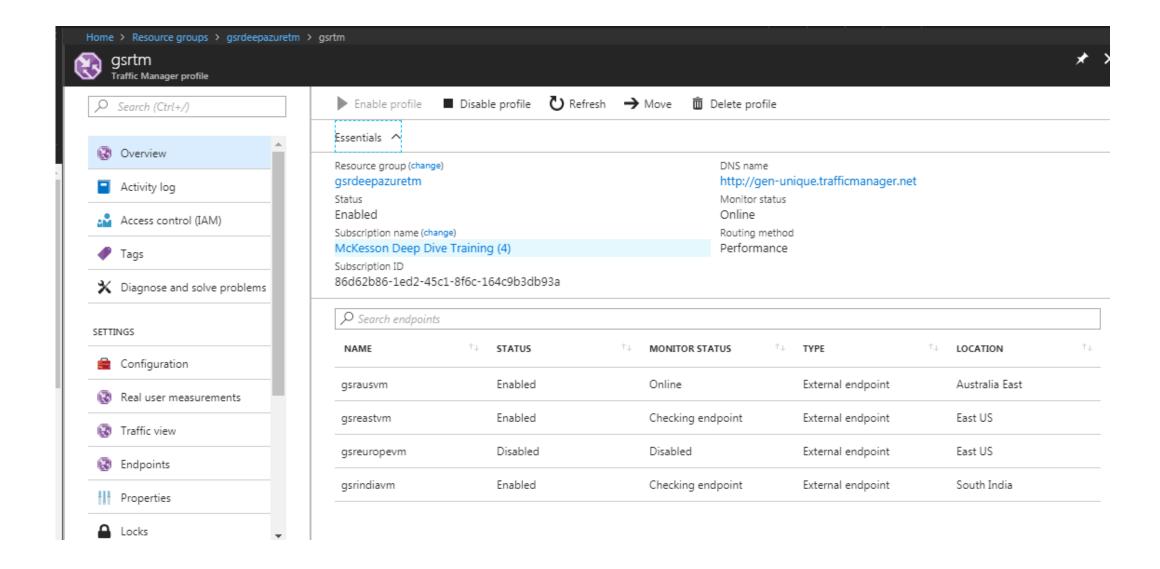


Create Azure Traffic Manager Profile

- File updated to include the end points
- Run the power shell Script
- create_trafficmana ger_profile.ps l
- Azuredeploy
- azuredeploy.param eters

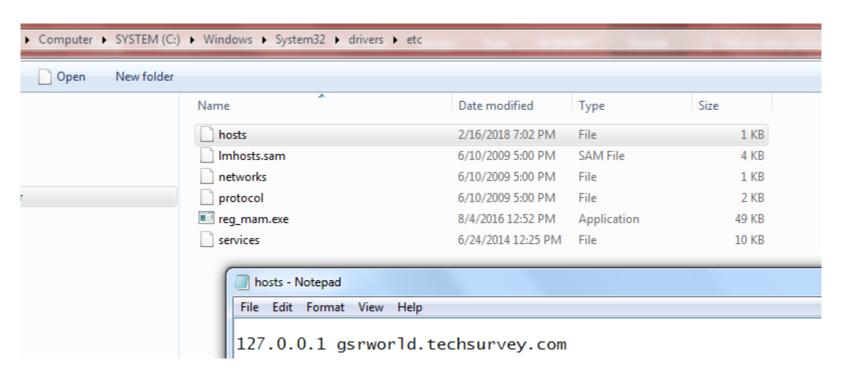
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                              azuredeploy.json azuredeploy.parameters.json
      # parameters
      $rgName = "gsrdeepazuretm"
      # import the AzureRM modules
      Import-Module AzureRM. TrafficManager
      Import-Module AzureRM.Resources
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      Login-AzureRmAccount
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      # Select the desired subscription
      Select-AzureRmSubscription -SubscriptionName "McKesson Deep Dive Training (4)"
      # create the resource from the template - pass names as parameters
      $scriptDir = Split-Path $MyInvocation.MyCommand.Path
      New-AzureRmResourceGroup -Location "westus" -Name $rqName
      New-AzureRmResourceGroupDeployment -Verbose -Force -ResourceGroupName SrgName -TemplateFile "SscriptDir\azuredeploy.json" -Templat
      # display the end result
      $x = Get-AzureRmTrafficManagerProfile -ResourceGroupName $rgName
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      $x. Endpoints
TargetResourceId
Target
                      : gsreastvm.eastus.cloudapp.azure.com
EndpointStatus
                      : Enabled
Weight
Priority
                      : 2
Location
                      : East US
EndpointMonitorStatus
MinChildEndpoints
GeoMapping
                      : /subscriptions/86d62b86-1ed2-45c1-8f6c-164c9b3db93a/resourceGroups/gsrdeepazuretm/providers/Microsoft.Network
                         /trafficManagerProfiles/gsrtm/externalEndpoints/gsreuropevm
                      : gsreuropevm
ProfileName
                      : gsrtm
ResourceGroupName
                      : gsrdeepazuretm
                      : externalEndpoints
TargetResourceId
                      : gsreuropevm.northeurope.cloudapp.azure.com
Target
EndpointStatus
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Configuration of Traffic Manager Profile



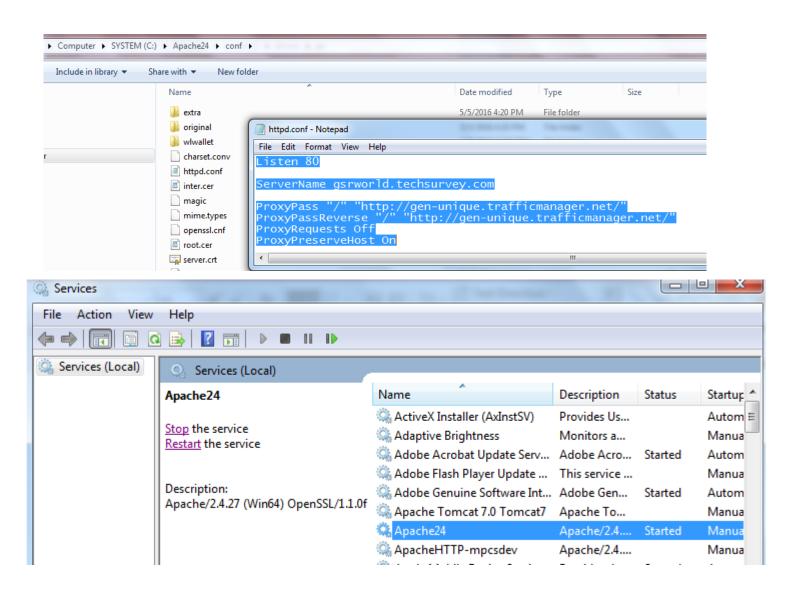
Hosts Entry Change on a workstation

As really don't have a DNS to play with I am using my pc with hosts entry change to mimic the demo.

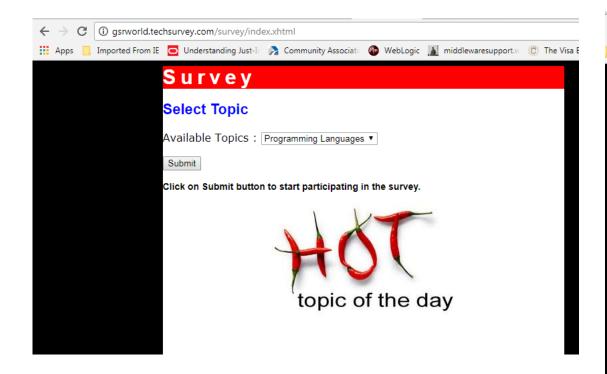


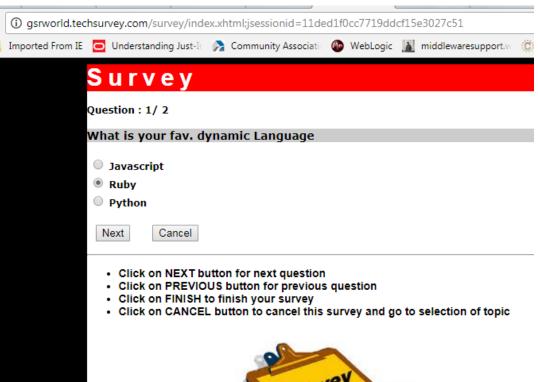
Install Apache and Configure on Workstation

- Install Apache 2.4
- Configure to include the servername
- Use reverse proxy to route traffic to Traffic Manager
- Start Apache 2.4 service



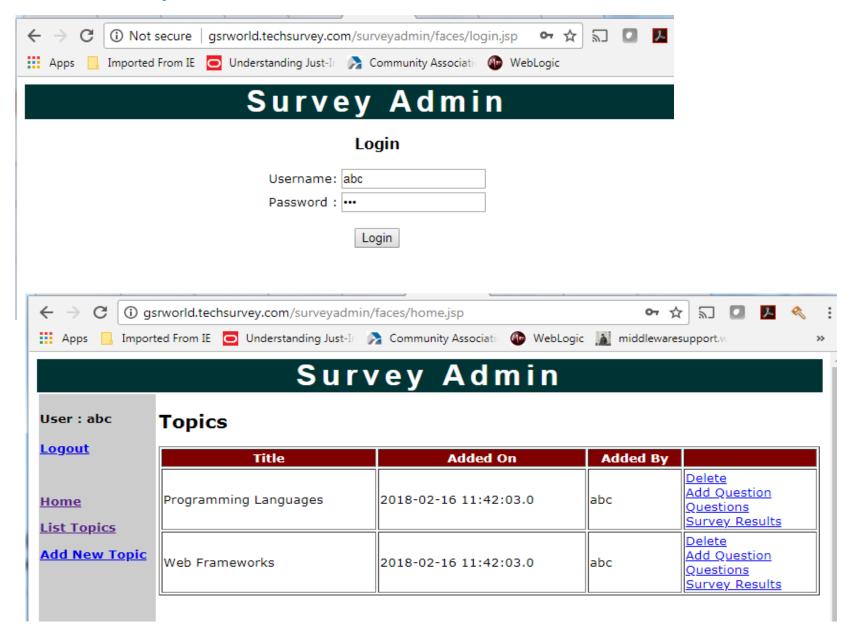
Access Site to Submit Survey





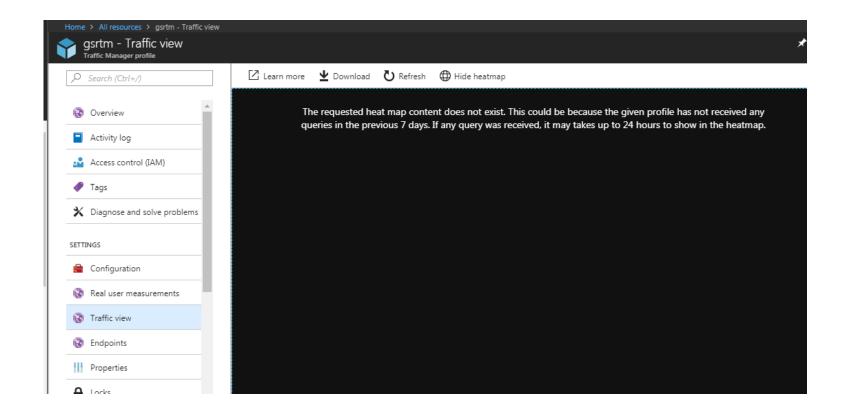
 Access Surveyadmin site here to view the survey content.

Access Survey Admin Site to View the entries



Testing Site with Traffic Manager

- For some reason I couldn't see the traffic view
- But I figured it ended up on one of the VM and I killed the service
- TM routed my traffic to a second node.



Enable or Disable Node on Traffic Manager

 We can enable or disable the nodes according for maintenance

