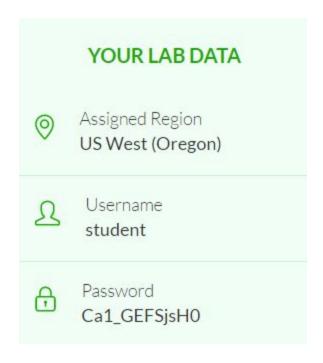
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## Step 1 Login to the Amazon Web Service Console

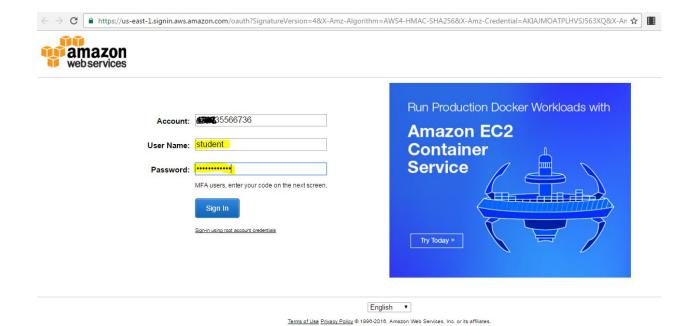
This laboratory experience is about Amazon Web Services and you will use the AWS Management Console in order to complete all the lab steps.

The AWS Management Console is a web control panel for managing all your AWS resources, from EC2 instances to SNS topics. The console enables cloud management for all aspects of the AWS account, including managing security credentials, or even setting up new IAM Users.

## Log in to the AWS Management Console

In order to start the laboratory experience, open the Amazon Console by clicking this button:

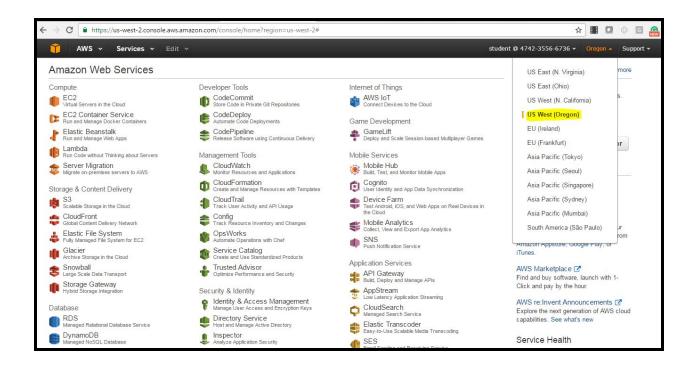
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## Select the right AWS Region

Amazon Web Services is available in different regions all over the world, and the console lets you provision resources across multiple regions. You usually choose a region that best suits your business needs to optimize your customer's experience, but you must use the region **US West (Oregon)** for this laboratory.

You can select the **US West (Oregon)** region using the upper right dropdown menu on the AWS Console page.



## Step 2 Create an EC2 instance

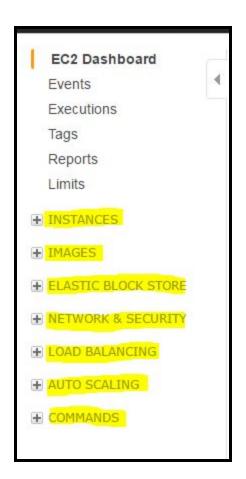
You can launch an EC2 instance using the EC2 launch wizard.

Select the EC2 service from the Management Console dashboard:

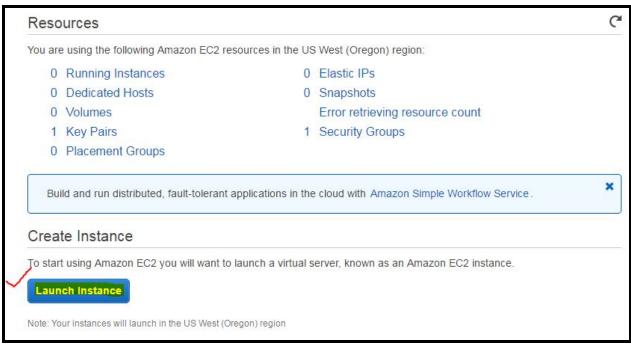


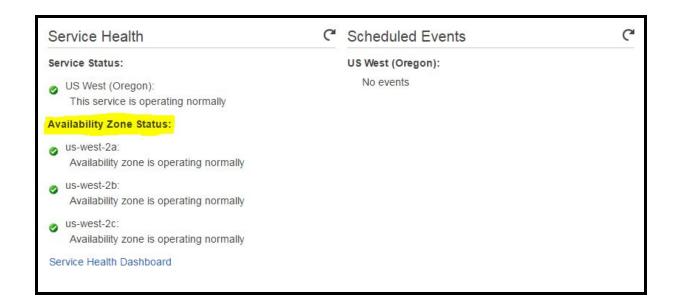
From the EC2 dashboard, click **Launch Instance**.

Left Hand Side Pane



### Right Hand side Pane





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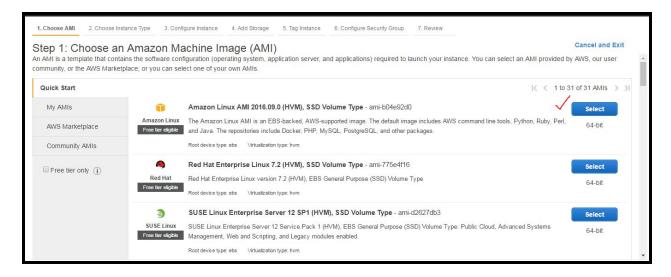
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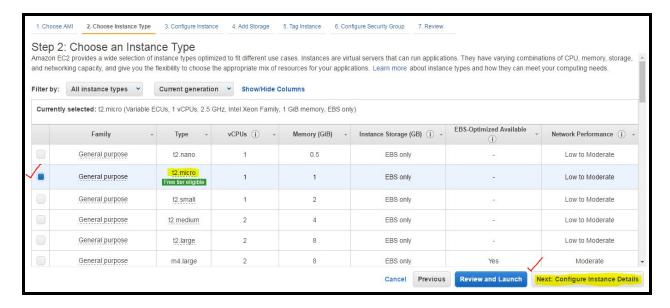
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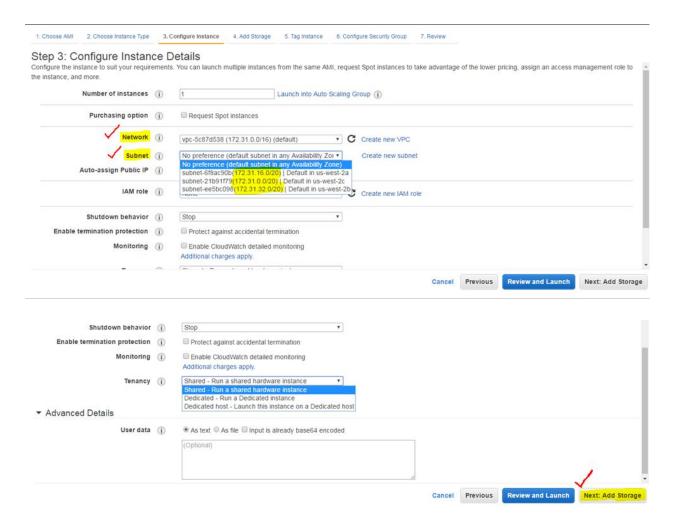
The **Choose an Amazon Machine Image (AMI)** page displays a list of basic configurations called **Amazon Machine Images (AMIs)** that serve as templates for your instance. Select the first listed 64-bit **Amazon Linux AMI**.



On the **Choose an Instance Type** page, do **not** change any options and click **Next: Configure Instance Details.** 



On the **Configure Instance Details** tab, check the selected **Network** (**VPC**) and **Subnet**. Change them, if needed, and then click **Next: Add Storage**.



On the **Add Storage** tab, do **not** change any options, and click the **Review and Launch** button.

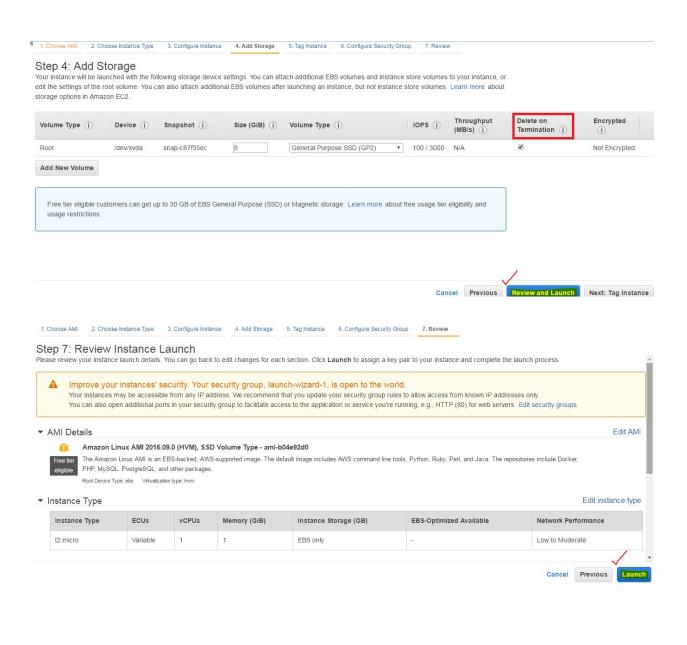
On the Review Instance Launch page, click Launch.

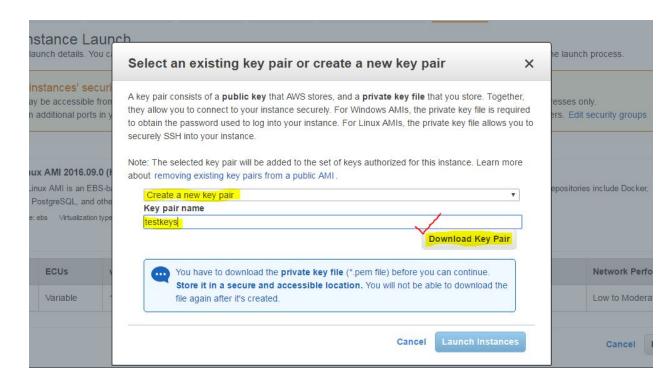
In the **Select an existing key pair or create a new key pair** dialog box, select **Create a new key pair**, then type a KeyPair name (e.g., "TestKeys") and download it.

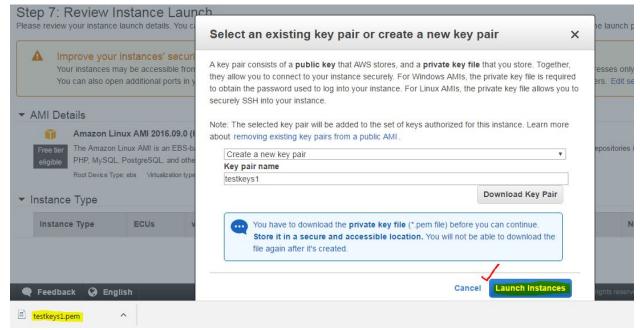
Select the acknowledgment checkbox, and then click Launch Instances.

A confirmation page will let you know that your instance is launching. Click **View Instances** to close the confirmation page and return to the console.

On the Instances Screen, you can view the status of your instance. It will take a short time for your instance to be launched. When you launch an instance, its initial state defaults to *pending*. After the instance starts, its Instance State changes to *running*, and it receives a public DNS name.







### Launch Status



Your instances are now launching

The following instance launches have been initiated: i-0d88d399ffef652e8 View launch log



6 Get notified of estimated charges

Create billing alerts to get an email notification when estimated charges on your AWS bill exceed an amount you define (for example, if you exceed the free usage tier).

#### How to connect to your instances

Your instances are launching, and it may take a few minutes until they are in the running state, when they will be ready for you to use. Usage hours on your new instances will start immediately and continue to accrue until you stop or terminate your instances.

Click View Instances to monitor your instances' status. Once your instances are in the running state, you can connect to them from the Instances screen. Find out how to connect to your instances.

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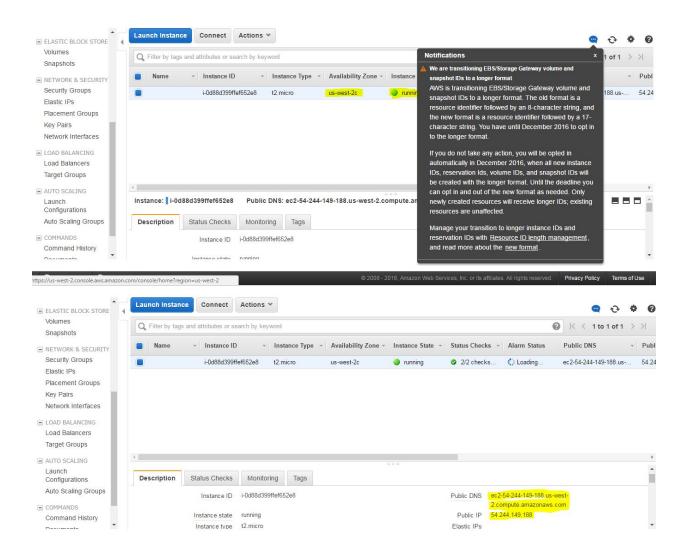
While your instances are launching you can also

Create status check alarms to be notified when these instances fail status checks. (Additional charges may apply)

Create and attach additional EBS volumes (Additional charges may apply)

Manage security groups





## Step 3 Convert a PEM key to a PPK key

If you are a Windows user, you will probably use **PuTTY** for connecting to the remote instance. PuTTY is a great SSH client, but it does not natively support the PEM key format. Fortunately, PuTTY has a tool called **PuTTYgen**, which can convert keys to the required PPK format.

Converting a PEM key is easy and fast:

- If you do not already have it, download the PuTTYgen executable from its main website: PuTTYgen
- Start PuTTYgen (no installation required).
- Click Load and browse to the location of the private key file that you want to convert (e.g. ec2key.pem). By default, PuTTYgen displays only files with extension .ppk. You'll need to change that default to display files of all types in order to see your .pem key file.zy
  - Select your .pem key file and click Open. PuTTYgen displays the following message.



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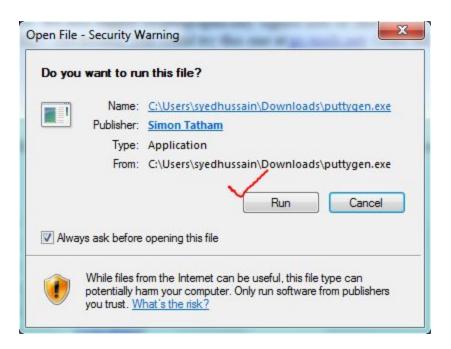
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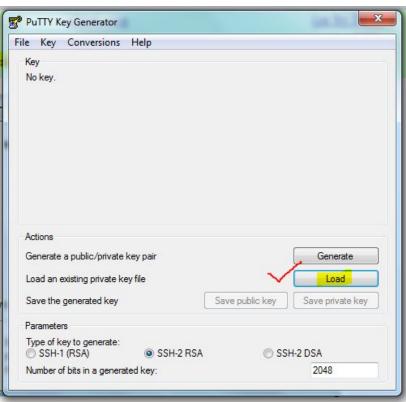
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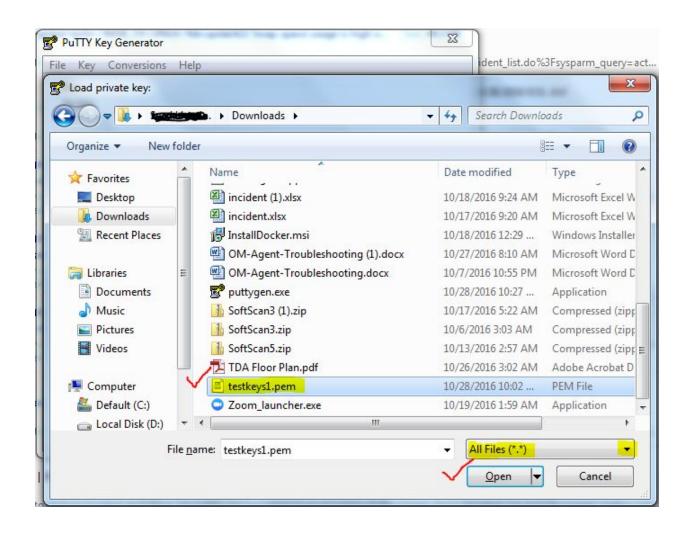
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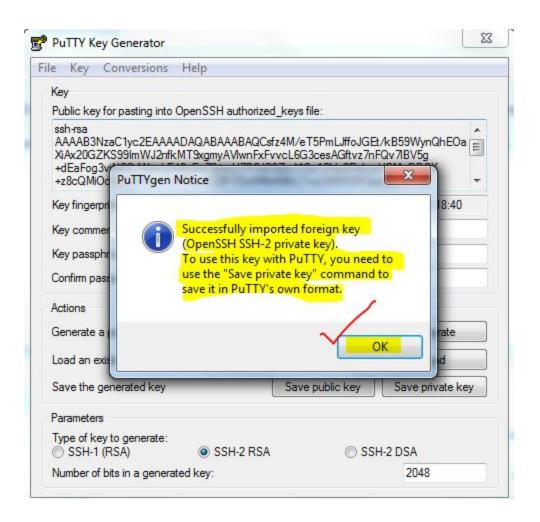
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When you click **OK**, PuTTYgen displays a dialog box with information about the key you loaded, such as the public key and the fingerprint.

- Click **Save private key** to save the key in PuTTY's format.
- Do NOT select a passphrase and save your private key somewhere secure.

Now you are ready to use PuTTY for connecting to the previously created instance!

## Step 4 Connect to a remote shell using an SSH connection

In order to manage a remote Linux server, you must employ an **SSH Client**. Secure Shell (SSH) is a cryptographic network protocol for securing data communication. It establishes a secure channel over an insecure network. Common applications include remote command-line login and remote command execution.

## Connect using Linux / Mac OS

Linux distributions and Mac OS are shipped with a fully working SSH client that accepts standard PEM Keys.

Starting a remote SSH session is easy:

- Open your **Terminal** application
- Write and run the following command: ssh -i /path/to/your/keypair.pem user@server-ip.

**server-ip** is the Public IP of your server, you can find it in the EC2 instance details

**user** is the remote system user that will be used for the remote authentication

Amazon Linux AMIs typically use ec2-user as username.

Ubuntu AMIs login user is **ubuntu**, Debian AMIs use **admin** instead.

Assuming that you selected the Amazon Linux AMI, your assigned public IP is 123.123.123.123, and your keypair (named "keypair.pem") is stored in /home/youruser/keypair.pem, the right command to run is:

ssh -i /home/youruser/keypair.pem ec2-user@123.123.123.123

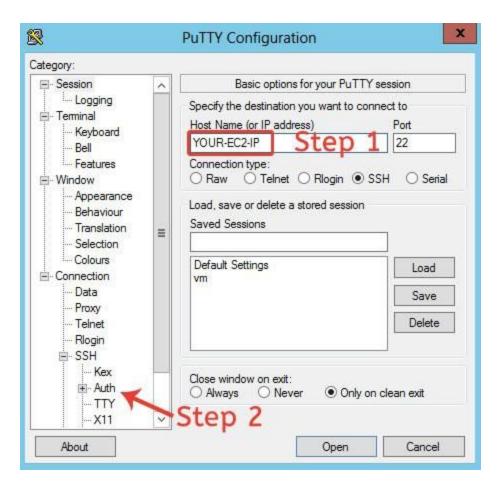
**Note**: your SSH Client may refuse to start the connection, warning that the key file is unprotected. You should deny the file access to any other system user by changing its permissions. Issue the following command and then try again:

## **Connect using Windows**

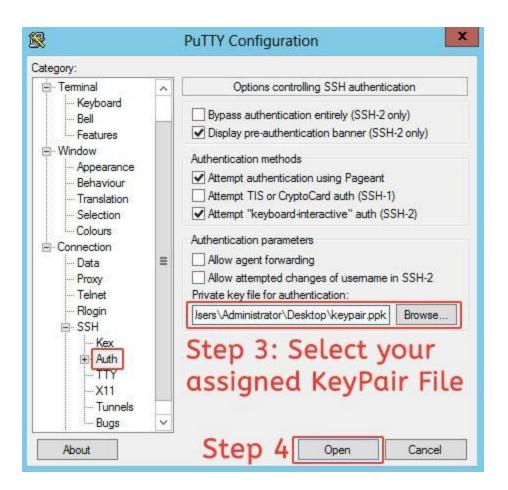
Windows has no SSH client, so you must use PuTTY and convert the PEM key to PPK using PuTTYgen.

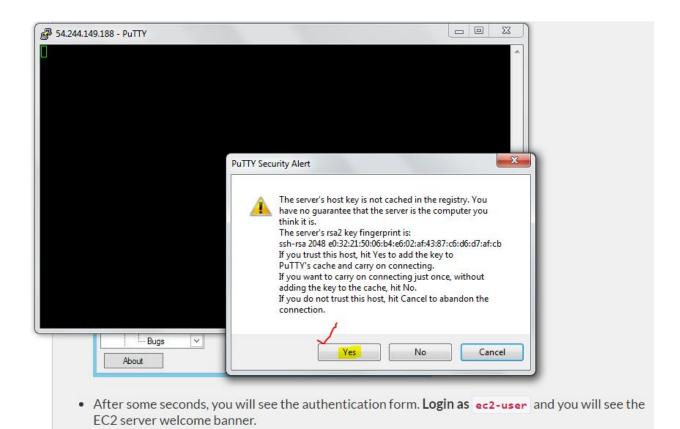
Starting a remote SSH session using PuTTY is easy:

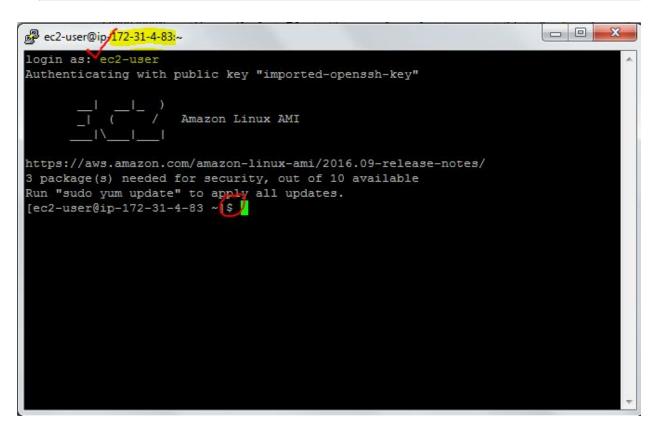
• Open PuTTY and insert the EC2 instance IP Address in the Host Name field.



Select **Connection > SSH > Auth** section and then select the downloaded Keypair that you previously converted to PPK format.







## Step 5 Get the EC2 instance metadata

Now you are ready to send the first commands to your EC2 linux instance. Let's check the EC2 instance metadata by hitting a specific AWS node only available from within the instance itself.

**Instance metadata** is data about your instance that you can use to configure or manage the running instance. You can list all instance metadata by issuing the following command:

curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/

```
_l ( / Amazon Linux AMI
https://aws.amazon.com/amazon-linux-ami/2014.09-release-notes/
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/
ami-id
ami-launch-index
ami-manifest-path
block-device-mapping/
hostname
instance-action
instance-id
instance-type
local-hostname
local-ipv4
mac
metrics/
network/
placement/
profile
public-hostname
public-ipv4
public-keys/
reservation-id
security-groups
services/
```

You can easily check the list of security groups attached to the instance, its ID, the hostname, or the ID of the used AMI. These commands are extremely useful when you want to automate the setup of new instances:

```
curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/security-groups

curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/ami-id

curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/hostname

curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/instance-id
```

```
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/services

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/security-groups launch-wizard-1

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/ami-id ami-dfc39aef

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/hostname ip-172-31-1-167.us-west-2.compute.internal

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/instance-id i-532c1e5f

[ec2-user@ip-172-31-1-167 ~]$ curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/instance-type t2.micro
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Finally, you can also get the public key of the attached Keypair using the public-keys metadata:

curl -w "\n" http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/public-keys/0/openssh-key

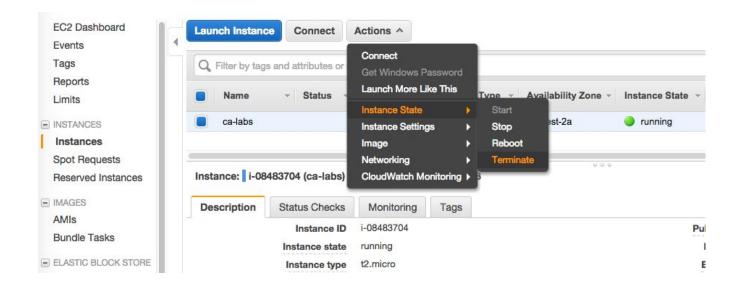
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## Step 6 Terminate an EC2 instance

When you've decided that you no longer need an instance, you can terminate it. Select the EC2 service from the Management Console dashboard:

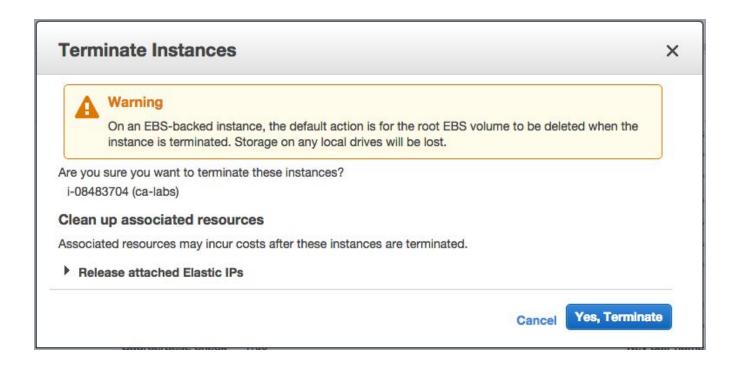


In the navigation pane, click **Instances**.



Select the instance ec2instance, click **Actions**, select **Instance State**, and then click **Terminate**.

Click Yes, Terminate when prompted for confirmation.



## Now your instance is completely destroyed.

