Exam One Notes

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1 Questions I had no idea/got wrong

1.1 Question 1

- Question
 - An e-commerce company is looking for a solution with high availability, as it plans to migrate its flagship application to a fleet of Amazon EC2 instances.
 - The solution should allow for content-based routing as part of the architecture.
 - As a Solutions Architect, which of the following will you suggest for the company?
- Answer: Use an Application Load Balancer for distributing traffic to the EC2 instances spread across different Availability Zones. Configure Auto Scaling group to mask any failure of an instance

1.2 Question 4

- Question
 - Data managed on Microsoft's Distributed File System
 - Transition to cloud and run data intensive workloads
 - Which service can facilitate the migration of these workloads
- Answer: Amazon FSx for Windows File Server

1.3 Question 5

- Question
 - $-\,$ 10 independent applications with an on-premises data footprint of about 70TB for each application
 - Two weeks to carry out the data migration from on-premises data center to AWS Cloud and establish connectivity.

- Which of the following are the MOST cost-effective options for completing the data transfer and establishing connectivity? (Select two)
- Answer: Order 10 Snowball Edge Storage Optimized devices to complete the onetime data transfer
- Answer: Setup Site-to-Site VPN to establish connectivity between the on-premises data center and AWS Cloud

1.4 Question 6

- Question
 - A retail company has developed a REST API which is deployed in an Auto Scaling group behind an Application Load Balancer.
 - The API stores the user data in DynamoDB and any static content, such as images, are served via S3.
 - On analyzing the usage trends, it is found that 90 percent of the read requests are for commonly accessed data across all users.
 - As a Solutions Architect, which of the following would you suggest as the MOST efficient solution to improve the application performance?
- Answer: Enable DynamoDB Accelerator (DAX) for DynamoDB and CloudFront for S3

1.5 Question 8

- Question
 - seismological data for the last 100 years
 - The data has a velocity of 1GB per minute
 - You would like to store the data with only the most relevant attributes to build a predictive model for earthquakes.
 - What AWS services would you use to build the most cost-effective solution with the LEAST amount of infrastructure maintenance?
- Answer: Ingest the data in Kinesis Data Firehose and use a Lambda function to filter and transform the incoming stream before the output is dumped on S3

1.6 Question 9

- Question
 - A data analytics company measures what the consumers watch and what advertising they're exposed to.

- This real-time data is ingested into its on-premises data center and subsequently, the daily data feed is compressed into a single file and uploaded on Amazon S3 for backup.
- The typical compressed file size is around 2 GB.
- Which of the following is the fastest way to upload the daily compressed file into S3?
- Answer: Upload the compressed file using multipart upload with S3 transfer acceleration

1.7 Question 11

- Question
 - enabled AWS Shield Advanced across multiple AWS accounts owned by the company
 - Upon analysis, the company has found that the costs incurred are much higher than expected.
 - Which of the following would you attribute as the underlying reason for the unexpectedly high costs for AWS Shield Advanced service?
- Answer: Consolidated billing has not been enabled. All the AWS accounts should fall under a single consolidated billing for the monthly fee to be charged only once

1.8 Question 15

- Question
 - A leading video streaming service delivers billions of hours of content from Amazon S3 to customers around the world.
 - Amazon S3 also serves as the data lake for its big data analytics solution.
 - The data lake has a staging zone where intermediary query results are kept only for 24 hours. These results are also heavily referenced by other parts of the analytics pipeline.
 - Which of the following is the MOST cost-effective strategy for storing this intermediary query data?
- Answer: Store the intermediary query results in S3 Standard storage class. S3 Standard offers high durability, availability, and performance object storage for frequently accessed data.

1.9 Question 16

• Question

- were asked to identify the invalid storage class lifecycle transitions for objects stored on S3.
- Can you spot the INVALID lifecycle transitions from the options below? (Select two)
- Answer: S3 Intelligent-Tiering \rightarrow S3 Standard
- Answer: S3 One Zone-IA ightarrow S3 Standard-IA
- Following are the unsupported life cycle transitions for S3 storage classes
 - Any storage class to the S3 Standard storage class.
 - Any storage class to the Reduced Redundancy storage class.
 - The S3 Intelligent-Tiering storage class to the S3 Standard-IA storage class.
 - The S3 One Zone-IA storage class to the S3 Standard-IA or S3 Intelligent-Tiering storage classes.

1.10 Question 17

- Question
 - defined different retention periods for different objects present in the Amazon S3 buckets
 - based on the compliance requirements
 - But, the retention rules do not seem to work as expected.
 - Which of the following options represent a valid configuration for setting up retention periods for objects in Amazon S3 buckets? (Select two)
- Answer: When you apply a retention period to an object version explicitly, you specify a Retain Until Date for the object version
- Answer: Different versions of a single object can have different retention modes and periods

1.11 Question 19

- Question
 - These images are kept encrypted in S3 by using AWS-KMS
 - and the company manages its own Customer Master Key (CMK) for encryption.
 - A member of the DevOps team accidentally deleted the CMK a day ago
 - As a solutions architect, which of the following steps would you recommend to solve this issue?
- Answer: As the CMK was deleted a day ago, it must be in the 'pending deletion' status and hence you can just cancel the CMK deletion and recover the key

1.12 Question 20

- Question
 - A financial services company uses Amazon GuardDuty for analyzing its AWS account metadata to meet the compliance guidelines.
 - However, the company has now decided to stop using GuardDuty service.
 - All the existing findings have to be deleted and cannot persist anywhere on AWS Cloud.
 - Which of the following techniques will help the company meet this requirement?
- Answer: Disable the service in the general settings Disabling the service will delete all remaining data, including your findings and configurations before relinquishing the service permissions and resetting the service.
- Amazon GuardDuty offers threat detection that enables you to continuously monitor and protect your AWS accounts, workloads, and data stored in Amazon S3.

1.13 Question 21

- Question
 - As part of a pilot program, a biotechnology company wants to integrate data files from its on-premises analytical application with AWS Cloud via an NFS interface.
 - Which of the following AWS service is the MOST efficient solution for the given use-case?
- Answer: AWS Storage Gateway File Gateway
- AWS Storage Gateway is a hybrid cloud storage service that gives you on-premises
 access to virtually unlimited cloud storage. The service provides three different
 types of gateways Tape Gateway, File Gateway, and Volume Gateway that
 seamlessly connect on-premises applications to cloud storage, caching data locally
 for low-latency access.

1.14 Question 24

- Question
 - A major bank is using SQS to migrate several core banking applications to the cloud to ensure high availability and cost efficiency while simplifying administrative complexity and overhead.
 - The development team at the bank expects a peak rate of about 1000 messages per second to be processed via SQS.

- It is important that the messages are processed in order.
- Answer: Use Amazon SQS FIFO queue in batch mode of 4 messages per operation to process the messages at the peak rate
- SQS offers two types of message queues: Standard queues vs FIFO queues.
 - For FIFO queues, the order in which messages are sent and received is strictly preserved (i.e. First-In-First-Out).
 - On the other hand, the standard SQS queues offer best-effort ordering. This
 means that occasionally, messages might be delivered in an order different
 from which they were sent.

1.15 Question 25

- Question
 - An Electronic Design Automation (EDA) application produces massive volumes of data that can be divided into two categories
 - The 'hot data' needs to be both processed and stored quickly in a parallel and distributed fashion.
 - The 'cold data' needs to be kept for reference with quick access for reads and updates at a low cost.
 - Which of the following AWS services is BEST suited to accelerate the aforementioned chip design process?
- Answer: Amazon FSx for Lustre makes it easy and cost-effective to launch and run the world's most popular high-performance file system.
- The open-source Lustre file system is designed for applications that require fast storage where you want your storage to keep up with your compute.

1.16 Question 28

- Question
 - CloudFront offers a multi-tier cache in the form of regional edge caches that improve latency.
 - However, there are certain content types that bypass the regional edge cache, and go directly to the origin.
 - Which of the following content types skip the regional edge cache? (Select two)
- Answer: Dynamic content, as determined at request time (cache-behavior configured to forward all headers)

- Dynamic content, as determined at request time (cache-behavior configured to forward all headers), does not flow through regional edge caches, but goes directly to the origin. So this option is correct.
- Answer: Proxy methods PUT/POST/PATCH/OPTIONS/DELETE go directly to the origin
- Proxy methods PUT/POST/PATCH/OPTIONS/DELETE go directly to the origin from the POPs and do not proxy through the regional edge caches. So this option is also correct.

1.17 Question 29

- Question
 - The engineering team at an e-commerce company wants to establish a dedicated, encrypted, low latency, and high throughput connection between its data center and AWS Cloud.
 - The engineering team has set aside sufficient time to account for the operational overhead of establishing this connection.
 - As a solutions architect, which of the following solutions would you recommend to the company?
- Answer: Use AWS Direct Connect plus VPN to establish a connection between the data center and AWS Cloud
- AWS Direct Connect is a cloud service solution that makes it easy to establish a
 dedicated network connection from your premises to AWS. AWS Direct Connect
 lets you establish a dedicated network connection between your network and one
 of the AWS Direct Connect locations.

1.18 Question 30

- Question
 - A research group needs a fleet of EC2 instances for a specialized task that must deliver high random I/O performance.
 - Each instance in the fleet would have access to a dataset that is replicated across the instances.
 - Because of the resilient application architecture, the specialized task would continue to be processed even if any instance goes down,
 - as the underlying application architecture would ensure the replacement instance has access to the required dataset.
 - Which of the following options is the MOST cost-optimal and resource-efficient solution to build this fleet of EC2 instances?

- Answer: Use Instance Store based EC2 instances
- An instance store provides temporary block-level storage for your instance. This storage is located on disks that are physically attached to the host computer.

1.19 Question 32

- Question
 - A media agency stores its re-creatable assets on Amazon S3 buckets.
 - The assets are accessed by a large number of users for the first few days and the frequency of access falls down drastically after a week.
 - Although the assets would be accessed occasionally after the first week, but they must continue to be immediately accessible when required.
 - The cost of maintaining all the assets on S3 storage is turning out to be very expensive and the agency is looking at reducing costs as much as possible.
 - As a Solutions Architect, can you suggest a way to lower the storage costs while fulfilling the business requirements?
- Answer: Configure a lifecycle policy to transition the objects to Amazon S3 One Zone-Infrequent Access (S3 One Zone-IA) after 30 days
- S3 One Zone-IA is for data that is accessed less frequently, but requires rapid access when needed.
- stores data in a single AZ and costs 20 percent less than S3 Standard-IA.
- S3 One Zone-IA is ideal for customers who want a lower-cost option for infrequently accessed

1.20 Question 33

- Question
 - The product team at a startup has figured out a market need to support both stateful and stateless client-server communications
 - via the APIs developed using its platform.
 - You have been hired by the startup as a solutions architect to build a solution to fulfill this market need using AWS API Gateway.
 - Which of the following would you identify as correct?
- Answer:

1.21 Question 34

- Question
 - The technical teams at the overseas branch offices have reported huge delays in uploading large video files to the destination S3 bucket.
 - Which of the following are the MOST cost-effective options to improve the file upload speed into S3? (Select two)
- Answer: Use Amazon S3 Transfer Acceleration to enable faster file uploads into the destination S3 bucket
- Amazon S3 Transfer Acceleration enables fast, easy, and secure transfers of files over long distances between your client and an S3 bucket.
- Answer: Use multipart uploads for faster file uploads into the destination S3 bucket
- Multipart upload allows you to upload a single object as a set of parts. Each part is a contiguous portion of the object's data. You can upload these object parts independently and in any order.

1.22 Question 36

- Question
 - The application is deployed on several Amazon EC2 instances running behind an Application Load Balancer
 - With new government regulations, the company has been asked to block access from two countries and allow access only from the home country of the company.
 - Which configuration should be used to meet this changed requirement?
- Answer: Configure AWS WAF on the Application Load Balancer in a VPC
- AWS WAF is a web application firewall service that lets you monitor web requests and protect your web applications from malicious requests.
- You can use AWS WAF with your Application Load Balancer to allow or block requests based on the rules in a web access control list (web ACL).
- Geographic (Geo) Match Conditions in AWS WAF allows you to use AWS WAF to restrict application access based on the geographic location of your viewers.

1.23 Question 37

- Question
 - specific EC2 instance that is part of an Auto Scaling group using a step scaling policy.

- The team is facing a maintenance challenge every time the team deploys a maintenance patch, the instance health check status shows as out of service for a few minutes.
- This causes the Auto Scaling group to provision another replacement instance immediately.
- As a solutions architect, which are the MOST time/resource efficient steps that you would recommend so that the maintenance work can be completed at the earliest? (Select two)
- Answer: Put the instance into the Standby state and then update the instance by applying the maintenance patch. Once the instance is ready, you can exit the Standby state and then return the instance to service
- You can put an instance that is in the InService state into the Standby state, update some software or troubleshoot the instance, and then return the instance to service. Instances that are on standby are still part of the Auto Scaling group, but they do not actively handle application traffic.
- Suspend the ReplaceUnhealthy process type for the Auto Scaling group and apply the maintenance patch to the instance. Once the instance is ready, you can manually set the instance's health status back to healthy and activate the Replace-Unhealthy process type again
- The ReplaceUnhealthy process terminates instances that are marked as unhealthy and then creates new instances to replace them. Amazon EC2 Auto Scaling stops replacing instances that are marked as unhealthy.

1.24 Question 39

- Question
 - A file-hosting service uses Amazon S3 under the hood to power its storage offerings.
 - Currently all the customer files are uploaded directly under a single S3 bucket.
 - The engineering team has started seeing scalability issues where customer file uploads have started failing during the peak access hours with more than 5000 requests per second.
 - Which of the following is the MOST resource efficient and cost-optimal way of addressing this issue?
- Answer: Change the application architecture to create customer-specific custom
 prefixes within the single bucket and then upload the daily files into those prefixed
 locations
- There are no limits to the number of prefixes in a bucket. You can increase your read or write performance by parallelizing reads.

• if you have a file f1 stored in an S3 object path like so $s3://your_bucket_name/folder1/sub_folder_1/f1$, then $/folder1/sub_folder_1/$ becomes the prefix for file f1.

1.25 Question 40

- Question
 - A retail company uses Amazon EC2 instances, API Gateway, Amazon RDS, Elastic Load Balancer and CloudFront services. To improve the security of these services, the Risk Advisory group has suggested a feasibility check for using the Amazon GuardDuty service.
 - Which of the following would you identify as data sources supported by GuardDuty?
- Answer: VPC Flow Logs, DNS logs, CloudTrail events
- Amazon GuardDuty is a threat detection service that continuously monitors for malicious activity and unauthorized behavior to protect your AWS accounts, workloads, and data stored in Amazon S3.

1.26 Question 42

- Question
 - A large IT company wants to federate its workforce into AWS accounts and business applications.
 - Which of the following AWS services can help build a solution for this requirement? (Select two)
- Answer: Use AWS Single Sign-On (SSO)
- Answer: Use AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

1.27 Question 44

- Question
 - The sourcing team at the US headquarters of a global e-commerce company is preparing a spreadsheet of the new product catalog. The spreadsheet is saved on an EFS file system created in us-east-1 region. The sourcing team counterparts from other AWS regions such as Asia Pacific and Europe also want to collaborate on this spreadsheet.
 - As a solutions architect, what is your recommendation to enable this collaboration with the LEAST amount of operational overhead?
- Answer: The spreadsheet on the EFS file system can be accessed in other AWS regions by using an inter-region VPC peering connection

• You can connect to Amazon EFS file systems from EC2 instances in other AWS regions using an inter-region VPC peering connection, and from on-premises servers using an AWS VPN connection.

1.28 Question 46

- Question
 - The solo founder at a tech startup has just created a brand new AWS account. The founder has provisioned an EC2 instance 1A which is running in region A. Later, he takes a snapshot of the instance 1A and then creates a new AMI in region A from this snapshot. This AMI is then copied into another region B. The founder provisions an instance 1B in region B using this new AMI in region B.
 - At this point in time, what entities exist in region B?
- Answer: 1 EC2 instance, 1 AMI and 1 snapshot exist in region B
- When the new AMI is copied from region A into region B, it automatically creates a snapshot in region B because AMIs are based on the underlying snapshots.

1.29 Question 49

- Question
 - A company has moved its business critical data to Amazon EFS file system which will be accessed by multiple EC2 instances.
 - As an AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate, which of the following would you recommend to exercise access control such that only the permitted EC2 instances can read from the EFS file system? (Select three)
- Answer: Use VPC security groups to control the network traffic to and from your file system
- Attach an IAM policy to your file system to control clients who can mount your file system with the required permissions
- Use EFS Access Points to manage application access

1.30 Question 53

- Question
 - A gaming company is looking at improving the availability and performance of its global flagship application which utilizes UDP protocol and needs to support fast regional failover in case an AWS Region goes down. The company wants to continue using its own custom DNS service.

- Which of the following AWS services represents the best solution for this use-case?
- Answer: AWS Global Accelerator
- AWS Global Accelerator utilizes the Amazon global network, allowing you to improve the performance of your applications by lowering first-byte latency (the round trip time for a packet to go from a client to your endpoint and back again) and jitter (the variation of latency), and increasing throughput (the amount of time it takes to transfer data) as compared to the public internet.

1.31 Question 55

- Question
 - A company wants some EBS volumes with maximum possible Provisioned IOPS (PIOPS) to support high-performance database workloads on EC2 instances. The company also wants some EBS volumes that can be attached to multiple EC2 instances in the same Availability Zone.
 - As an AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate, which of the following options would you identify as correct for the given requirements? (Select two)
- Answer: Use io Block Express volumes on Nitro-based EC2 instances to achieve a maximum Provisioned IOPS of 256,000
- Use io1/io2 volumes to enable Multi-Attach on Nitro-based EC2 instances
- Amazon EBS Multi-Attach enables you to attach a single Provisioned IOPS SSD (io1 or io2) volume to multiple instances that are in the same Availability Zone.

1.32 Question 56

- Question
 - The university uses High Performance Computing (HPC) driven application architecture to identify these landing sites.
 - Which of the following EC2 instance topologies should this application be deployed on?
- Answer: The EC2 instances should be deployed in a cluster placement group so that
 the underlying workload can benefit from low network latency and high network
 throughput
- Cluster placement groups pack instances close together inside an Availability Zone. These are recommended for applications that benefit from low network latency, high network throughput, or both. Therefore this option is the correct answer.

1.33 Question 57

- Question
 - A leading carmaker would like to build a new car-as-a-sensor service by leveraging fully serverless components that are provisioned and managed automatically by AWS. The development team at the carmaker does not want an option that requires the capacity to be manually provisioned, as it does not want to respond manually to changing volumes of sensor data.
 - Given these constraints, which of the following solutions is the BEST fit to develop this car-as-a-sensor service?
- Answer: Ingest the sensor data in an Amazon SQS standard queue, which is polled by a Lambda function in batches and the data is written into an auto-scaled DynamoDB table for downstream processing

1.34 Question 58

- Question
 - A telecom company operates thousands of hardware devices like switches, routers, cables, etc. The real-time status data for these devices must be fed into a communications application for notifications. Simultaneously, another analytics application needs to read the same real-time status data and analyze all the connecting lines that may go down because of any device failures.
 - As a Solutions Architect, which of the following solutions would you suggest, so that both the applications can consume the real-time status data concurrently?
- Answer: Amazon Kinesis Data Streams
- AWS recommends Amazon Kinesis Data Streams for use cases with requirements that are similar to the following:
 - Routing related records to the same record processor (as in streaming MapReduce). For example, counting and aggregation are simpler when all records for a given key are routed to the same record processor.
 - Ordering of records. For example, you want to transfer log data from the application host to the processing/archival host while maintaining the order of log statements.
 - Ability for multiple applications to consume the same stream concurrently. For example, you have one application that updates a real-time dashboard and another that archives data to Amazon Redshift. You want both applications to consume data from the same stream concurrently and independently.
 - Ability to consume records in the same order a few hours later. For example, you have a billing application and an audit application that runs a few hours

behind the billing application. Because Amazon Kinesis Data Streams stores data for up to 7 days, you can run the audit application up to 7 days behind the billing application.

1.35 Question 59

- Question
 - A gaming company is developing a mobile game that streams score updates to a backend processor and then publishes results on a leaderboard. The company has hired you as an AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate to design a solution that can handle major traffic spikes, process the mobile game updates in the order of receipt, and store the processed updates in a highly available database. The company wants to minimize the management overhead required to maintain the solution.
 - Which of the following will you recommend to meet these requirements?
- Answer: Push score updates to Kinesis Data Streams which uses a Lambda function to process these updates and then store these processed updates in DynamoDB
- To help ingest real-time data or streaming data at large scales, you can use Amazon Kinesis Data Streams (KDS). KDS can continuously capture gigabytes of data per second from hundreds of thousands of sources. The data collected is available in milliseconds, enabling real-time analytics. KDS provides ordering of records, as well as the ability to read and/or replay records in the same order to multiple Amazon Kinesis Applications.
- Lambda integrates natively with Kinesis Data Streams. The polling, checkpointing, and error handling complexities are abstracted when you use this native integration. The processed data can then be configured to be saved in DynamoDB.

1.36 Question 64

- Question
 - A company manages a multi-tier social media application that runs on EC2 instances behind an Application Load Balancer.
 - The instances run in an EC2 Auto Scaling group across multiple Availability Zones and use an Amazon Aurora database.
 - As a solutions architect, you have been tasked to make the application more resilient to periodic spikes in request rates.
 - Which of the following solutions would you recommend for the given use-case?
 (Select two)
- Answer: Use Aurora Replica

- You can issue queries to them to scale the read operations for your application.
- Aurora Replicas also help to increase availability. If the writer instance in a cluster becomes unavailable, Aurora automatically promotes one of the reader instances to take its place as the new writer.
- Answer: Use CloudFront distribution in front of the Application Load Balancer
- Amazon CloudFront is a fast content delivery network (CDN) service that securely delivers data, videos, applications, and APIs to customers globally with low latency, high transfer speeds, all within a developer-friendly environment.
- CloudFront points of presence (POPs) (edge locations) make sure that popular content can be served quickly to your viewers.
- CloudFront also has regional edge caches that bring more of your content closer to your viewers, even when the content is not popular enough to stay at a POP, to help improve performance for that content.
- CloudFront offers an origin failover feature to help support your data resiliency needs.

2 Specific things to keep in mind

- Multi-AZ follows synchronous replication and spans at least two Availability Zones within a single region. Read replicas follow asynchronous replication and can be within an Availability Zone, Cross-AZ, or Cross-Region
- Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose is the easiest way to load streaming data into data stores and analytics tools. It can capture, transform, and load streaming data into Amazon S3, Amazon Redshift, Amazon Elasticsearch Service, and Splunk, enabling near real-time analytics with existing business intelligence tools and dashboards you're already using today.
- DynamoDB Accelerator (DAX) is a fully managed, highly available, in-memory cache for Amazon DynamoDB that delivers up to a 10 times performance improvement—from milliseconds to microseconds—even at millions of requests per second.
- Snowball Edge Storage Optimized is the optimal choice if you need to securely and quickly transfer dozens of terabytes to petabytes of data to AWS.
- AWS Site-to-Site VPN enables you to securely connect your on-premises network or branch office site to your Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC).
- Amazon FSx for Windows File Server provides fully managed, highly reliable file storage that is accessible over the industry-standard Service Message Block (SMB) protocol.

- ECS with EC2 launch type is charged based on EC2 instances and EBS volumes used. ECS with Fargate launch type is charged based on vCPU and memory resources that the containerized application requests
- To prevent your API from being overwhelmed by too many requests, Amazon API Gateway throttles requests to your API using the token bucket algorithm, where a token counts for a request.
- Amazon SQS Amazon Simple Queue Service (SQS) is a fully managed message queuing service that enables you to decouple and scale microservices, distributed systems, and serverless applications. Amazon SQS offers buffer capabilities to smooth out temporary volume spikes without losing messages or increasing latency.
- Amazon Kinesis Amazon Kinesis is a fully managed, scalable service that can ingest, buffer, and process streaming data in real-time.
- The Load Balancer generates the HTTP 503: Service unavailable error when the target groups for the load balancer have no registered targets.
- Amazon Aurora Global Database is designed for globally distributed applications, allowing a single Amazon Aurora database to span multiple AWS regions.
- API Gateway supports stateless RESTful APIs as well as stateful WebSocket APIs.
- Scheduled scaling allows you to set your own scaling schedule.
- A permissions boundary can be used to control the maximum permissions employees can grant to the IAM principals (that is, users and roles) that they create and manage.
- Versioning is a means of keeping multiple variants of an object in the same bucket. You can use versioning to preserve, retrieve, and restore every version of every object stored in your Amazon S3 bucket. Versioning-enabled buckets enable you to recover objects from accidental deletion or overwrite.
- S3 Standard-IA storage class is for data that is accessed less frequently but requires rapid access when needed.
- There are no S3 data transfer charges when data is transferred in from the internet. Also with S3TA, you pay only for transfers that are accelerated.
- Amazon GuardDuty offers threat detection that enables you to continuously monitor and protect your AWS accounts, workloads, and data stored in Amazon S3.
- Amazon Inspector security assessments help you check for unintended network accessibility of your Amazon EC2 instances and for vulnerabilities on those EC2 instances.

- Once you version-enable a bucket, it can never return to an unversioned state. Versioning can only be suspended once it has been enabled.
- When you create a target group, you specify its target type, which can be an Instance, IP or a Lambda function.
- For Amazon Aurora, each Read Replica is associated with a priority tier (0-15). In the event of a failover, Amazon Aurora will promote the Read Replica that has the highest priority (the lowest numbered tier). If two or more Aurora Replicas share the same priority, then Amazon RDS promotes the replica that is largest in size. If two or more Aurora Replicas share the same priority and size, then Amazon Aurora promotes an arbitrary replica in the same promotion tier.