Amazon ECS

Explore how Amazon Elastic Container Service simplifies running and managing your applications in the cloud



What is Amazon ECS?

Elastic Container Service

A service by Amazon Web Services (AWS).

Container Management

Helps run and manage applications in containers.

Serverless Option

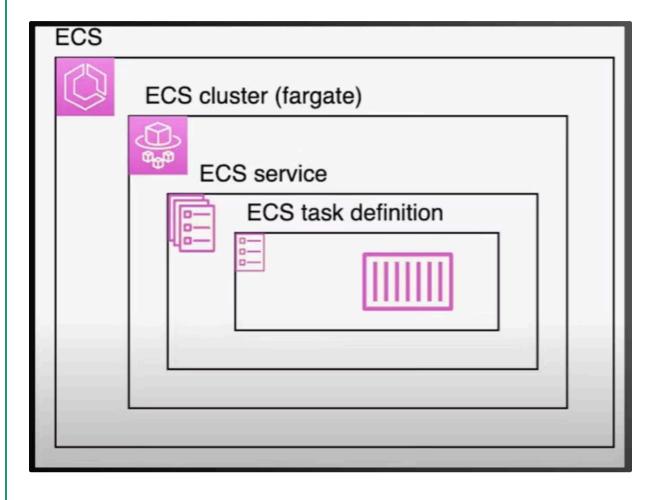
AWS can manage the underlying servers for you.

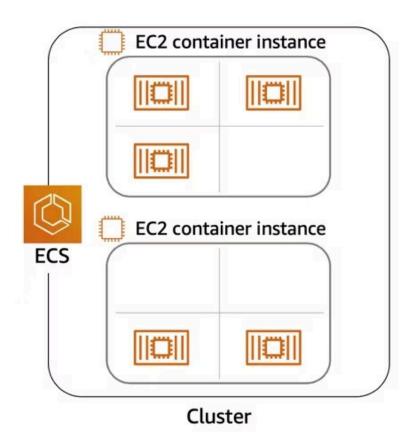


What is a Container?

A container is a small, lightweight package that includes the application, required files, and settings. It runs consistently on any computer or cloud environment.

Think of it like a Tiffin Box – all ingredients in one place, ready to eat (run).





ECS components









ECS Cluster

Group of resources where containers run. AWS manages servers with Fargate.

ECS Service

Ensures the number of running tasks matches desired count. Restarts tasks if they fail.

ECS Task Definition

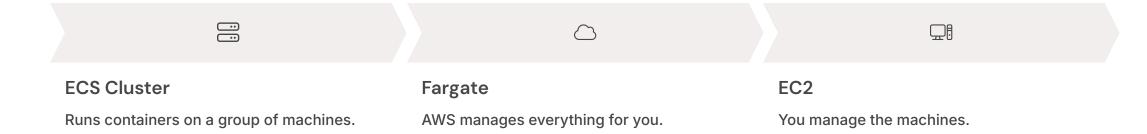
A blueprint for your application, defining container image, CPU, and memory.

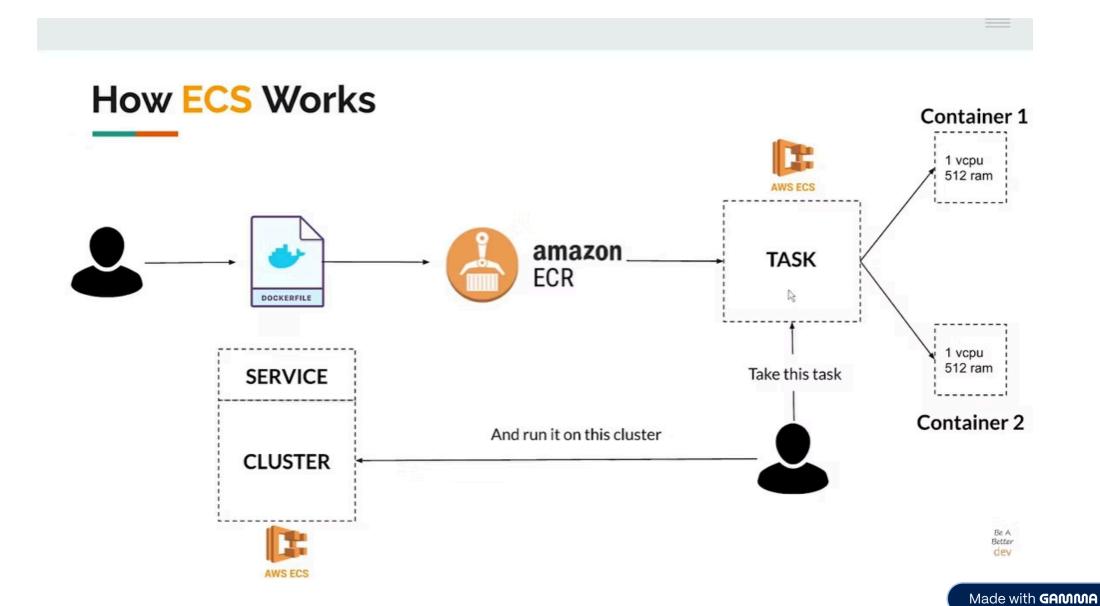
Container

The actual running application packaged in a container, like a website.

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How ECS Works





Why Use ECS?



Auto-scaling

Handles more users automatically.



Secure

Uses IAM roles, encryption, private networks.



Cost-saving

Pay only for what you use.



Integrated

Works with other AWS tools.

Key ECS Terms

Container	Small app package
Cluster	Group of EC2 machines
Fargate	Serverless option (AWS manages it)
EC2	Virtual machine (you manage)
Service	Keeps tasks running always
Task	A running container

ECS Launch Types & Auto Scaling

Fargate Launch

- You provide basic info (CPU, RAM).
- No server management needed.

EC2 Launch

- You choose and manage servers.
- More control, more setup.

Auto Scaling

- Adds/removes EC2 machines based on traffic.
- Example: CPU > 80% → Add 1
 EC2 instance.

Using ECS & FAQs

How to Use ECS?

- 1. AWS Console (Graphical interface)
- 2. AWS CLI (Command Line)
- 3. AWS SDK (Use code)

FAQs

- ECS vs. Docker? ECS uses Docker but provides full management.
- EC2 vs. ECS? EC2 offers virtual machines; ECS runs apps in containers.