

- Open the Amazon EC2 console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/>.
- From the console dashboard, choose **Launch Instance**
- Select **Amazon Linux 2 AMI (HVM), SSD Volume Type** as the AMI
- On the **Choose an Instance Type** page, use the default t2.micro instance type
- On the **Configure Instance Details** page:
 - Choose **Enable** under **Auto-assign Public IP**
- Click **Next** until you reach **Step 6: Configure Security Group**
 - On the **Configure Security Group** page:
 - Leave the default of **Create a new security group** selected
 - Enter `load_mysql_ssh` as the **Security Group Name**
 - Select “My IP” under the **Source** column of the table
 - Click on **Review and Launch**
 - Click **Launch** on the **Review Instance Launch** page
 - On the **Select an existing key pair or create a new key pair** page:
 - Select “Create a new key pair”
 - Enter a name for your new key pair (E.g `load_mysql-keypair`)
 - Click on the **Download Key Pair** button and note the location of the downloaded **.pem** file
 - Click **Launch Instance** and monitor the instance deployment via the EC2 console
- Get the public IP address for the newly deployed EC2 instance
 - See <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/using-instance-addressing.html#using-instance-addressing-common>
- Open a MacOS terminal or Windows SSH client and log into the instance:
 - `ssh -i /path/my-key-pair.pem ec2-user@public_ip_address_or_dns`
 - NOTE: Permissions to the key file must be set to read-only by owner
 - On Linux: `chmod 400 your_key_file.pem`
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