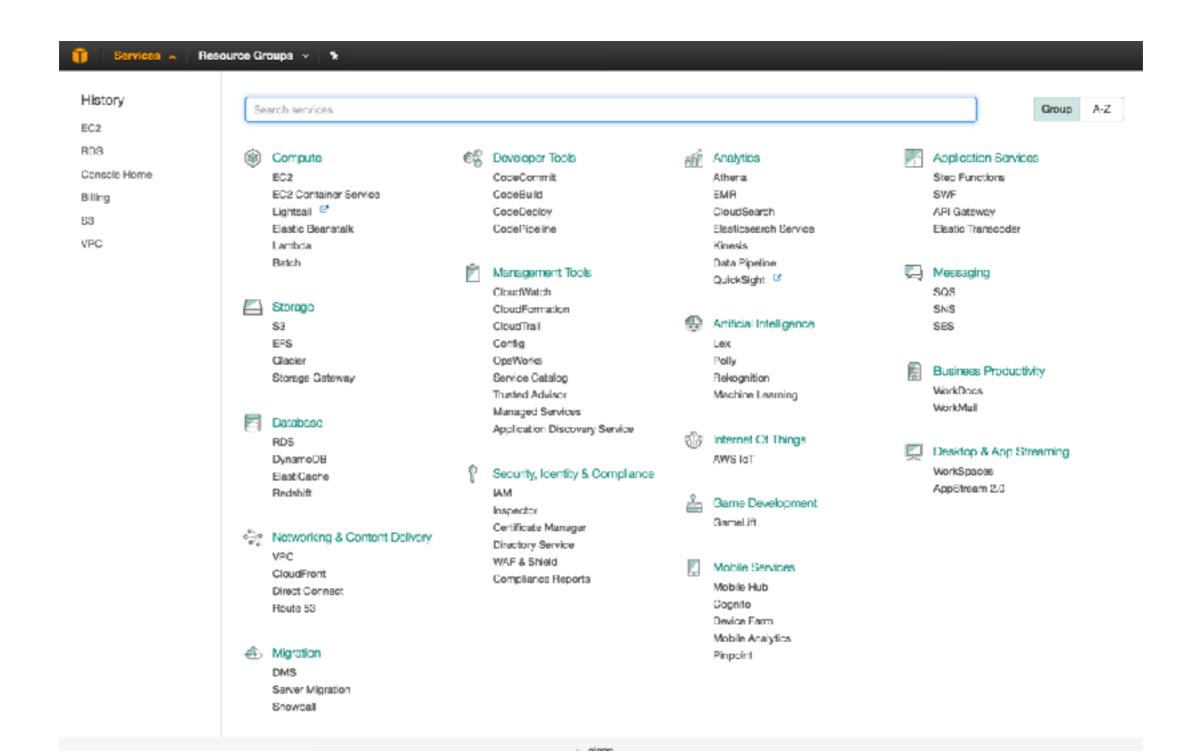
# AVS EC2 & VPC CRASH COURSE

#### BEFORE WE START

- Preregs
  - AWS account
  - SSH client
    - Mac Terminal, Royal TSX, Termius
    - Windows mRemote
      - https://mremoteng.org/download
      - http://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/latest.html
      - <a href="http://technotes.khitrenovich.com/opening-ssh-aws-hosted-linux-servers-mremoteng/">http://technotes.khitrenovich.com/opening-ssh-aws-hosted-linux-servers-mremoteng/</a>
      - Or spin up a Linux VM with VirtualBox
    - Linux ...

# AWS HAS A LOT OF STUFF



TODAY...

We will focus on **EC2** and **VPC**.

#### WHAT IS EC2?

Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) is the Amazon Web Service you use to create and run virtual machines in the cloud.

These are called instances.

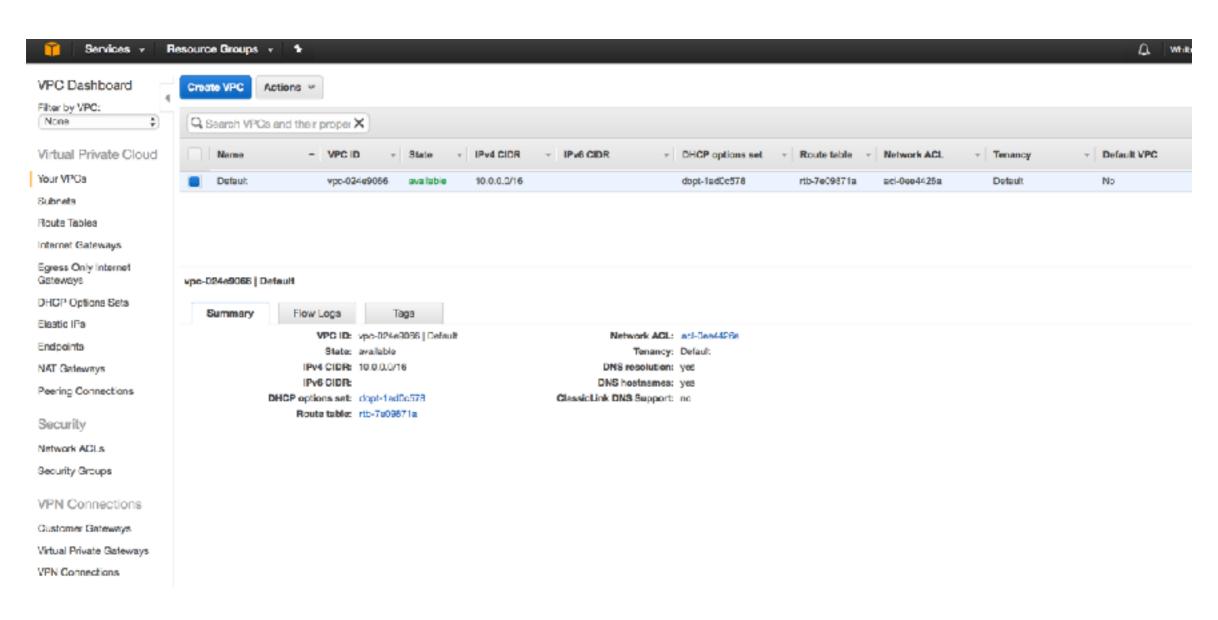
TODAY...

# We will launch **EC2 instances** in your very own **VPC**.

#### YOUR VPC

#### if you have an AWS account...

#### YOU PROBABLY ALREADY HAVE ONE!

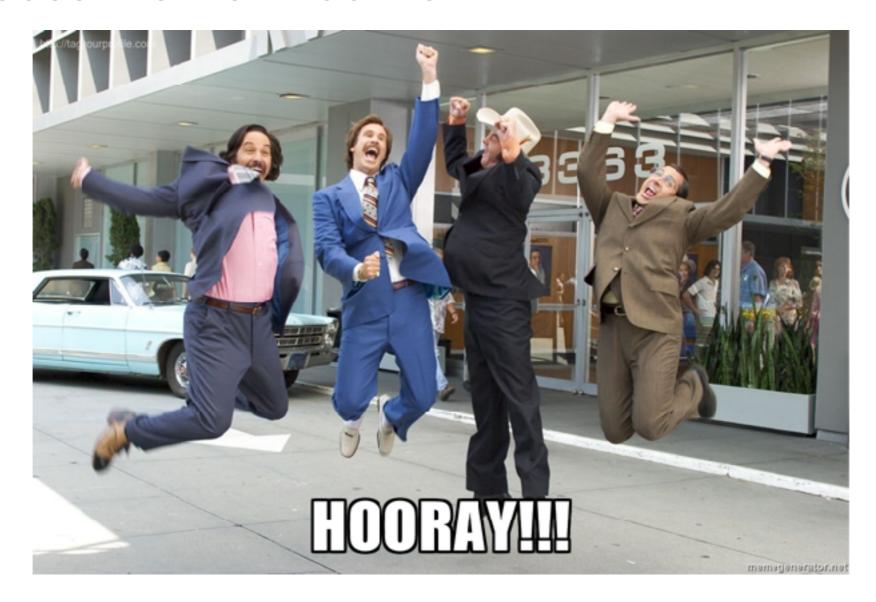


#### BENEFITS OF A VPC

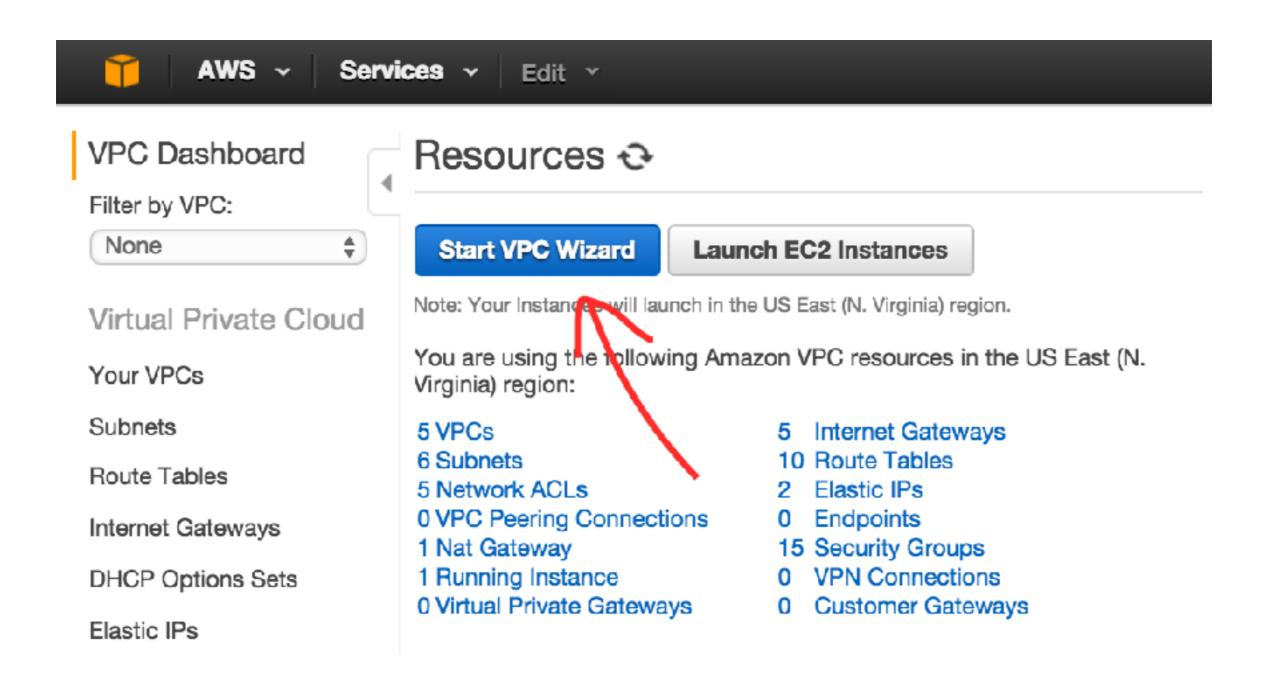
- Multiple network interfaces / IP addresses per instance
- You pick your IP address ranges
- Internal load balancers
- DHCP option sets
- Option to use single-tenant hardware
- Probably a dozen more benefits
- Proper network segmentation
- Security

# LET'S MAKE ONE

- Even if you already have one
- Because it is that much fun



#### I PUT ON MY ROBE AND WIZARD HAT



## THIS IS NOT WHAT WE WANT



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#### Step 1: Select a VPC Configuration

#### VPC with a Single Public Subnet

VPC with Public and Private Subnets

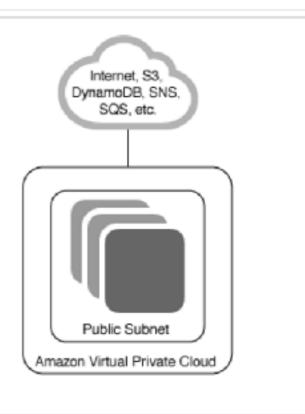
VPC with Public and Private Subnets and Hardware VPN Access

VPC with a Private Subnet Only and Hardware VPN Access Your instances run in a private, isolated section of the AWS cloud with direct access to the Internet. Network access control lists and security groups can be used to provide strict control over inbound and outbound network traffic to your instances.

#### Creates:

A /16 network with a /24 subnet. Public subnet instances use Elastic IPs or Public IPs to access the Internet.

Select



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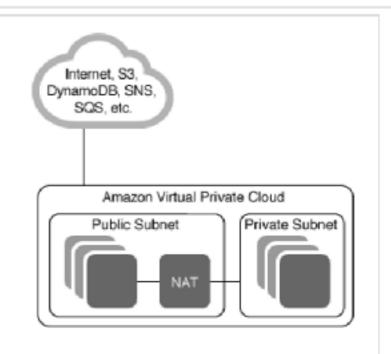
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VPC with a Private Subnet Only and Hardware VPN Access In addition to containing a public subnet, this configuration adds a private subnet whose instances are not addressable from the Internet. Instances in the private subnet can establish outbound connections to the Internet via the public subnet using Network Address Translation (NAT).

#### Creates:

A /16 network with two /24 subnets. Public subnet instances use Elastic IPs to access the Internet. Private subnet instances access the Internet via Network Address Translation (NAT). (Hourly charges for NAT devices apply.)

Select



#### PRIVATE VS PUBLIC SUBNETS

- Public subnet == internet facing
  - External subnet
    - The haxOrs can get your datas
- Private subnet != internet facing
  - Internal subnet
    - The haxOrs will have a much harder time getting your datas



#### PRIVATE VS PUBLIC SUBNETS

- Public subnet requires an IGW (internet gateway) to talk to the internets
- Private subnet requires an NGW (NAT gateway) to talk to the internets

#### WTF ARE ALL THESE GATEWAYS

- IGW (internet gateway)
  - Your public subnet traffic talks directly to the internets through the IGW
- NGW (NAT (Network Address Translation) gateway)
  - Acronyms FTMFW
  - Your private subnet traffic must tunnel into the public subnet, through the NAT gateway, and then through the IGW

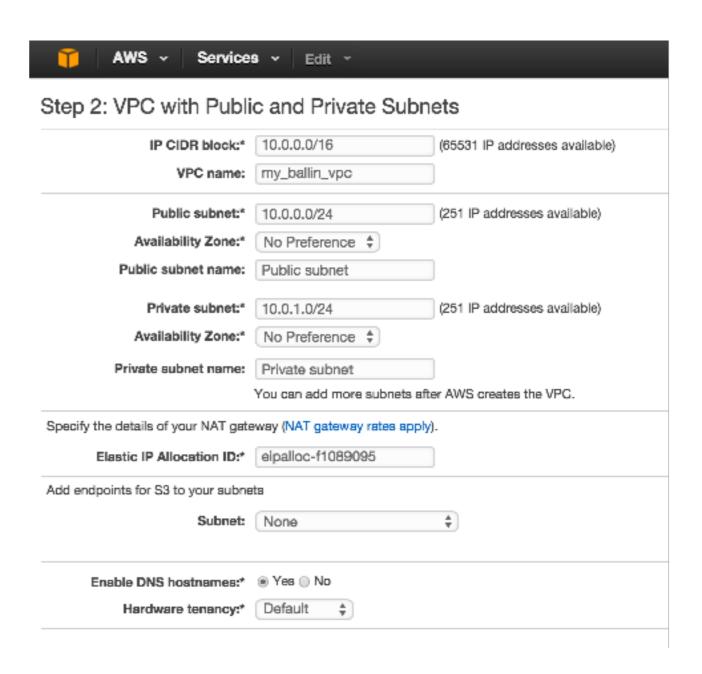
#### MOST IMPORTANTLY

- NAT Gateways cost money
- Internet Gateways do not
- So delete your NAT when you're done

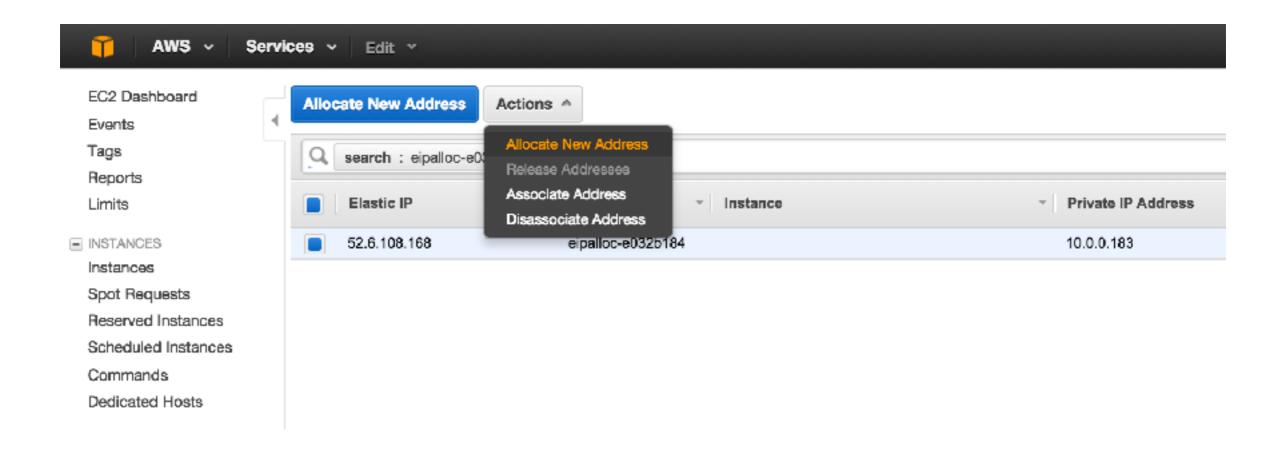


#### BELLS AND WHISTLES

- Choose your IP ranges, default is fine
- Name your VPC and subnets
- Place them in the same availability zone
- Aaand... now we need an elastic IP for our NAT gateway
- Open EC2 dashboard in a new tab



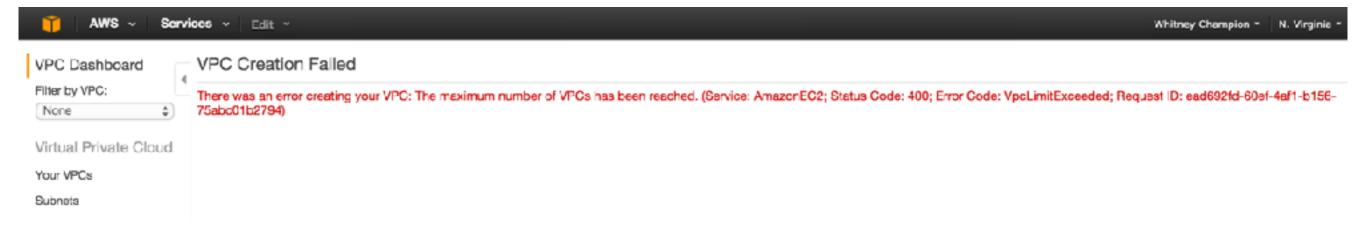
## GET AN ELASTIC IP



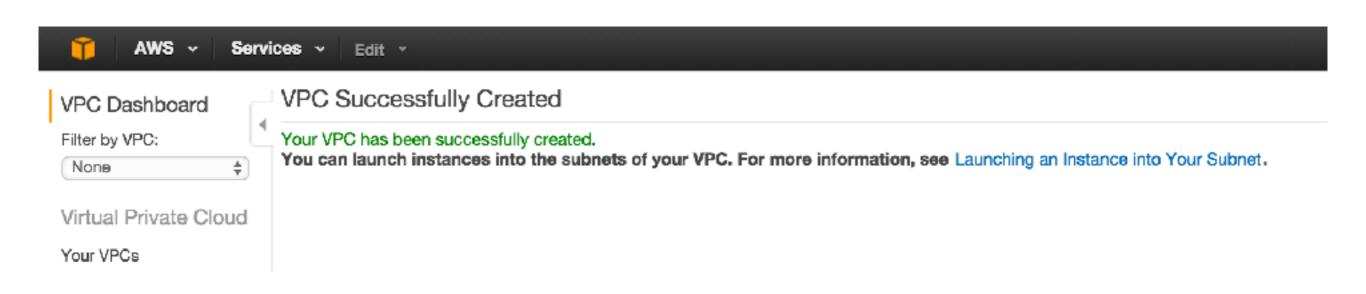
# ASSIGN THE ELASTIC IP

Services v Res	ource Groups 🔻 🦠			
Step 2: VPC with Publi	c and Private Subnets			
IPv4 CIDR block:*	10.0.0.0/16 (65531 IP addresses available)			
IPv6 CIDR block:	No IPv6 CIDR Block  Amazon provided IPv6 CIDR block			
VPC name:	my_ballin_vpc			
Public subnet's IPv4 CIDR:*	10.0.0.0/24 (251 IP addresses available)			
Availability Zone:*	No Preference \$			
Public subnet name:	Public subnet			
Private subnet's IPv4 CIDR:*	10.0.1.0/24 (251 IP addresses available)			
Availability Zone:*	No Preference \$			
Private subnet name:	Private subnet			
You can add more subnets after AWS creates the VPC.				
Specify the details of your NAT ga	ateway (NAT gateway rates apply).			
Elastic IP Allocation ID:*				
Service endpoints				
	Add Endpoint			
Enable DNS hostnames:*	Yes			
Hardware tenancy:*	Default			

#### FAIL

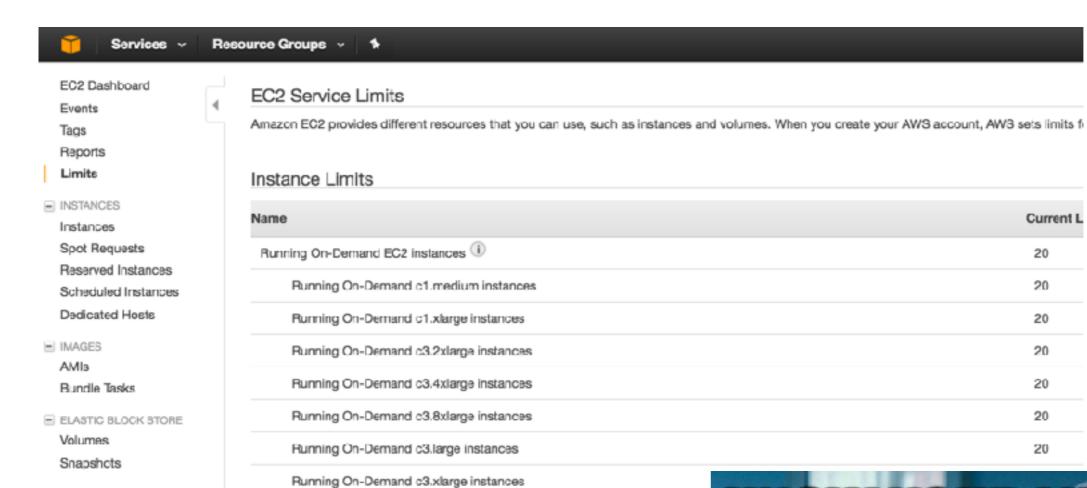


# SUCCESS

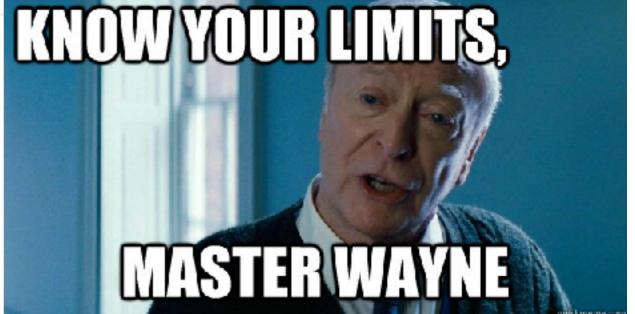




#### ALL AWS SERVICES HAVE LIMITS



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# Back to the fun stuff...

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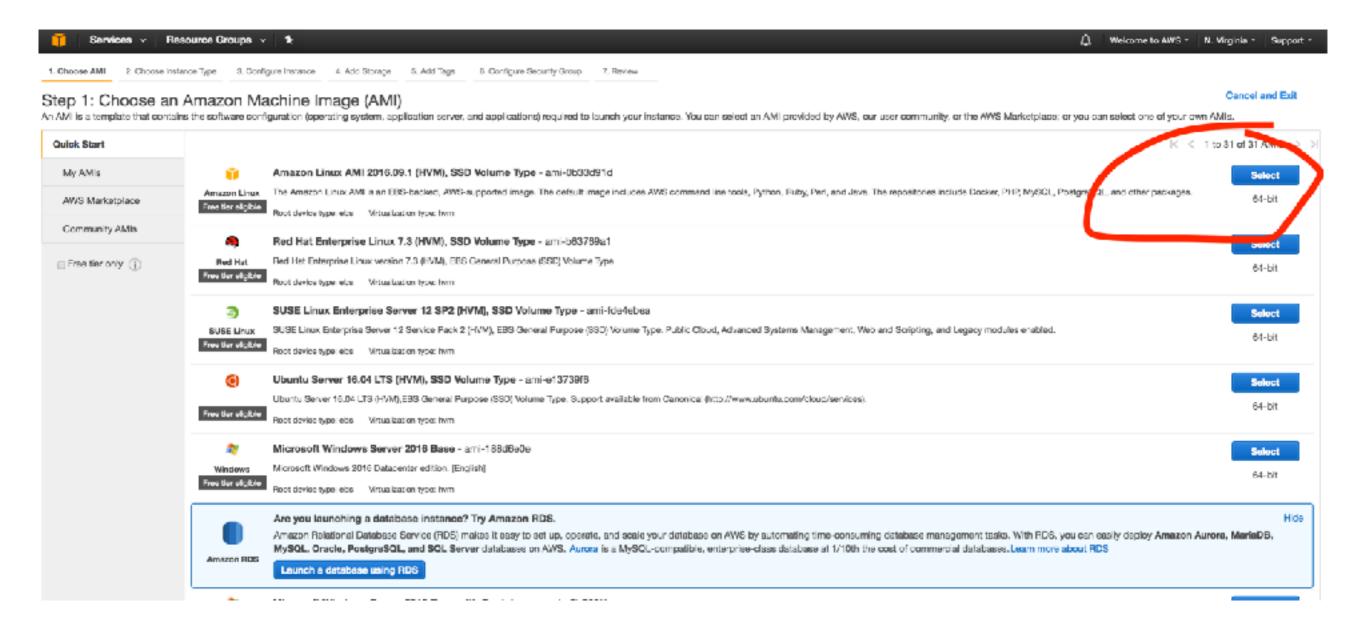


#### BUT WAIT! THERE'S MORE!

- Route tables
- Network Access Control Lists (NACLs)
- Gateways
- All the things



#### STEP 1: CHOOSE A FLAVOR



#### STEP 2: CHOOSE SPECS

Choose AMI

2. Choose Instance Type

3. Configure Instance 4. Add Storage 5. Add Tags

6. Configure Security Group

7. Review

#### Step 2: Choose an Instance Type

Amazon EC2 provides a wide selection of instance types optimized to fit different use cases. Instances are virtual servers that can run applications. T resources for your applications. Learn more about instance types and how they can meet your computing needs.

Filter by:

All instance types

Current generation

Show/Hide Columns

Currently selected: t2.micro (Variable ECUs, 1 vCPUs, 2.5 GHz, Intel Xeon Family, 1 GiB memory, EBS only)

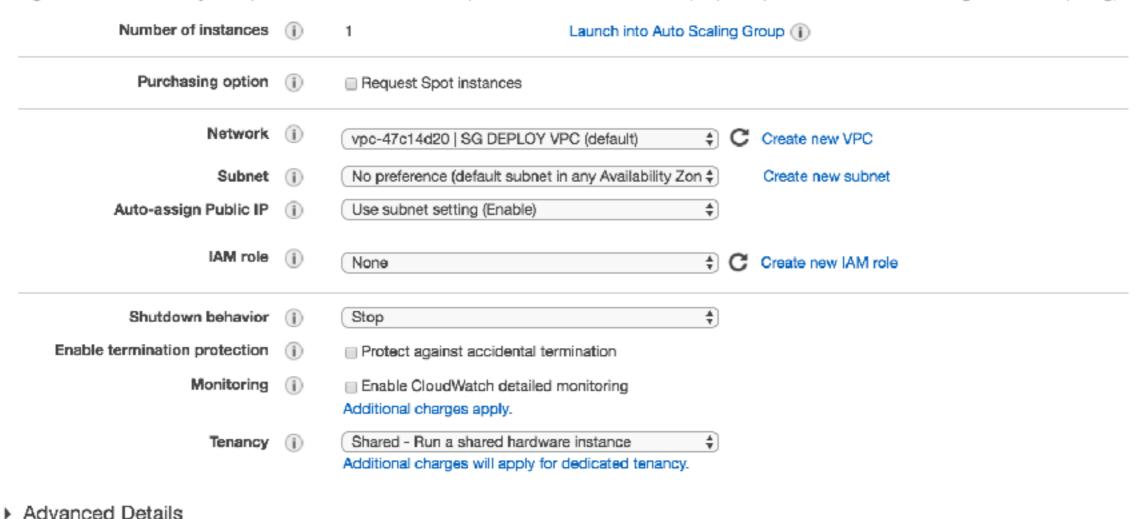
Family	Type -	vCPUs (i)	Memory (GiB)
General purpose	t2.nano	1	0.5
General purpose	t2.micro Free tier eligible	1	1
General purpose	t2.small	1	2
General purpose	t2.medium	2	4
General purpose	t2.large	2	8

# STEP 3: CONFIGURE DETAILS

1. Choose AMI 2. Choose Instance Type 3. Configure Instance 4. Add Storage 5. Add Tags 6. Configure Security Group 7. Review

#### Step 3: Configure Instance Details

Configure the instance to suit your requirements. You can launch multiple instances from the same AMI, request Spot instances to take advantage of the lower pricing, a

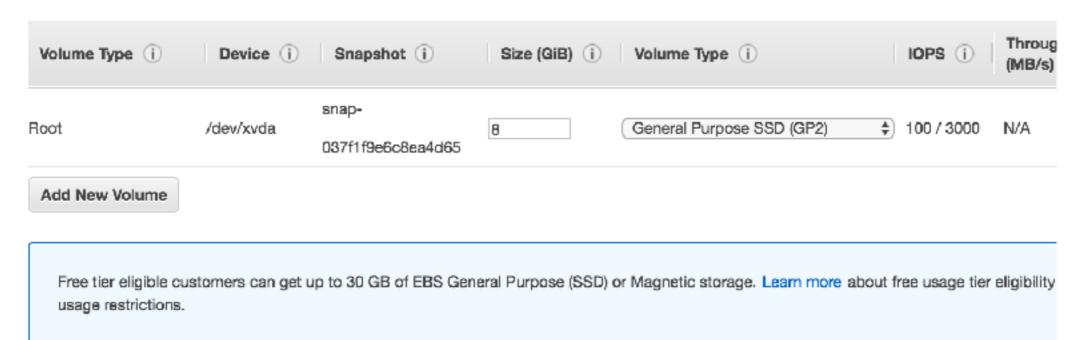


# STEP 4: STORAGE

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#### Step 4: Add Storage

Your instance will be launched with the following storage device settings. You can attach additional EBS volumes and instance store volumes to you edit the settings of the root volume. You can also attach additional EBS volumes after launching an instance, but not instance store volumes. Learn storage options in Amazon EC2.



# STEP 5: TAGS

Assign tags (optional)

1. Choose AMI 2. Choose Instance Type 3. Configure Instance 4. Add Storage 5. Add Tags 6. Configure Security Group 7. Review

#### Step 5: Add Tags

A tag consists of a case-sensitive key-value pair. For example, you could define a tag with key = Name and value = Webserver.

A copy of a tag can be applied to volumes, instances or both.

Tags will be applied to all instances and volumes. Learn more about tagging your Amazon EC2 resources.

Key (127 characters maximum)	Value (255 characters maximum)	Instances (i)	Volumes (i)	
Name	bastion	20	2	8
Env	dev	2	€	8
		<b>∞</b>	∞	8
Add another tag (Up to 50 tags maximum)				

# STEP 6: SECURITY GROUPS

- Create a security group
  - By default: deny all inbound
  - Goal: Allow only what is necessary

#### Step 6: Configure Security Group

Add Rule

A security group is a set of firewall rules that control the traffic for your instance. On this page, you can add rules to allow specific traffic to reach your instance. For example, if you want to set up a web server and allow internet traffic to reach your instance, add rules that allow unrestricted access to the HTTP and HTTPS ports. You can create a new security group or select from an existing one below. Learn more about Amazon EC2 security groups.

Assign a security group	<ul> <li>Create a new security group</li> <li>Select an existing security group</li> </ul>			
Security group name:  Description:				
Type (i)	Protocol (i)	Port Range (i)	Source (i)	
SSH \$	TCP	22	My IP ‡] 74.118.240.108/32	8

#### STEP 7: LAUNCH OUR INSTANCE

#### REVIEW AND LAUNCH!

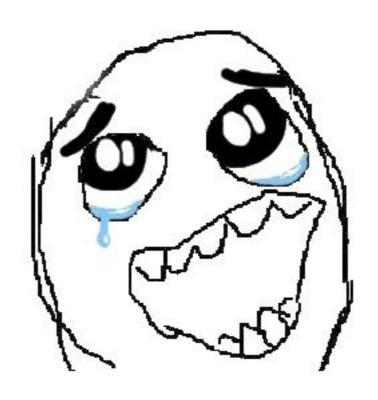
- It will ask you to choose or create a key
- If you create a new one, save it in a safe place
  - At the very least, remember where you put it
- You will need it to SSH

#### STEP 8: ASSIGN ELASTIC IP

- Optional
- Just like we did for the NAT gateway, go allocate a new elastic IP address
  - EC2 Dashboard —> Elastic IPs —> Allocate New
- Associate it with your new instance

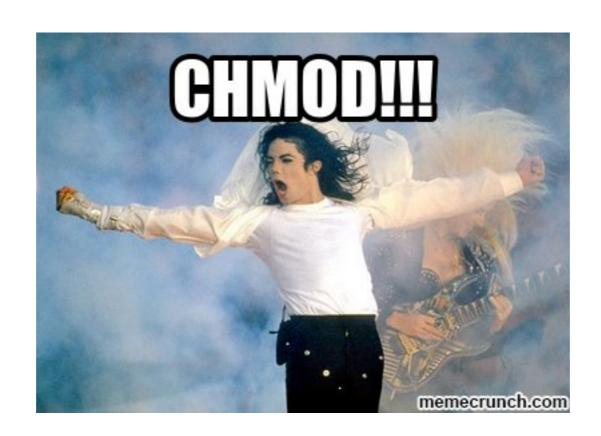
#### IT'S ALIVE

ssh -i /path/to/your\_key.pem ec2-user@\$ELASTIC\_IP



## PERMISSION DENIED?

chmod 600 your\_key.pem



#### NOW YOU HAVE A BASTION HOST

- It is sitting in your public subnet (so you can get to it)
  - You will use it to SSH tunnel to the instances you deploy in your private subnet (aka the stuff you care about)
- Now repeat steps 1-7 on your own to deploy a second instance in the private subnet
  - Choose the private subnet in step 3
  - Make note of the private IP address assigned to the second instance

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	Assign a security group:	: ⊚Create a new security group			
		Select an existing security group			
	Security group name:	super-secure-server			
	Description:	22, 80, 443			
Type ①		Protocol (i)	Port Range (i)	Source (i)	
SSH	<b>\$</b>	TOP	22	Custom \$ 10.0.0.0/16	0
HTTP	<b>\$</b>	TOP	80	Custom \$ 0.0.0.0/0, ::/0	8
HTTPS	<b>\$</b>	TCP	443	Custom \$ 0.0.0.0/0, ::/0	8

#### OTHER OPTIONS

- Rather than using a bastion host, you can set up a VPN server in your public subnet
  - OpenVPN is a great choice
    - Easy to set up
    - Free for 2 concurrent users
    - 2 factor authentication option
- 2 or more VPCs connected with VPC peering, containing only private subnets, and a designated VPC with a public subnet for a bastion or VPN servers
- Or whatever you want

#### CONFIGURE SSH TUNNEL

- Mac
  - vim ~/.ssh/config

```
Host $PRIVATE_IP
    ProxyCommand ssh bastion -W %h:%p
Host bastion
    Hostname $ELASTIC_IP
    User ec2-user
    IdentityFile /path/to/your_key.pem
```

- Windows
  - Generate ppk with PuTTYgen
  - Save connection settings in PuTTY with your ppk
  - Connect via mRemote
- Or use an SSH manager (Royal TSX, Termius, Shuttle, etc)

# TUNNEL ALL THE THINGS

ssh -i /path/to/your\_key.pem ec2-user@\$PRIVATE\_IP

#### INSTALL A SIMPLE WEB SERVER

sudo yum -y install httpd sudo service httpd start sudo chkconfig httpd on

#### LOAD BALANCING

- Now you have a web server, but no way for anyone to get to it
- Create a classic load balancer with the following listener configuration



- Choose your VPC, the public subnet, and server security group
- Health check on TCP port 80, Healthy threshold 2
- Assign your web server instance to it

#### YOUR LOAD BALANCER IS LIVE

- Buy a domain
- Add a CNAME for your load balancer
- Put something weird on your web server

Profit



