Amazon AWS Tutorial II: Windows and Linux on EC2

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Amazon EC2 Getting Started

- Official Website: http://aws.amazon.com/ec2
- Sign up (credit card information required).
- Launch Instance
 - <u>http://aws.amazon.com/console/</u>
 - Username: compmed@cs.unm.edu
 - Password:

Overview

- Understanding AMI (Amazon Machine Image)
- Launching, using and shutting down a Windows instance.
- Launching, using and shutting down a Linux instance.

What is an AMI

• A computer cannot run without first loading software but must be running before any software can be loaded, which seems as impossible as to "pull yourself up by your own bootstraps.

IBM PC Bootstrapping

- Upon starting, an x86 CPU runs the instruction located at the memory location CS:IP F000:FFF0 of the BIOS, which is located at the 0xFFFF0 linear address.
- This memory location typically contains a jump instruction that transfers execution to the location of the BIOS start-up program.

IBM PC Bootstrapping (cont.)

- The BIOS program runs a power-on self test (POST) to check and initialize required devices and then goes through a list of non-volatile storage devices until it finds one that is bootable.
- A bootable device is defined as one that can be read from, and the last two bytes of the first sector contain the word 0xAA55 (also known as the boot signature).

IBM PC Bootstrapping (cont.)

• Once the BIOS has found a bootable device it loads the boot sector to hexadecimal Segment: Offset address 0000:7C00 or 07C0:0000 (maps to the same ultimate address) and transfers execution to the boot code.

System Image

- A system image is a copy of the entire state of a computer system.
- A system is said to be capable of using system images if it can be shut down and later restored to exactly the same state.
- E.g., hibernation

Virtualization

- Hardware virtualization or platform virtualization is the creation of a virtual machine that acts like a real computer with an operating system.
- Software executed on these virtual machines is separated from the underlying hardware resources.
- For example: Virtual PC, Vmware, VirtualBox.

Amazon Machine Image

- A special type of virtual machine.
- The main component of an AMI is a read-only file system image which includes an operating system (e.g., Linux, UNIX, or Windows) and any additional software required to deliver a service or a portion of it.

Thus ...

- In order to use Amazon EC2, one needs to:
 - Select the virtual hardware.
 - Pick an AMI to run on the virtual hardware.
 - Associate security credentials in order to log in to the virtual machine.

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Region Selection

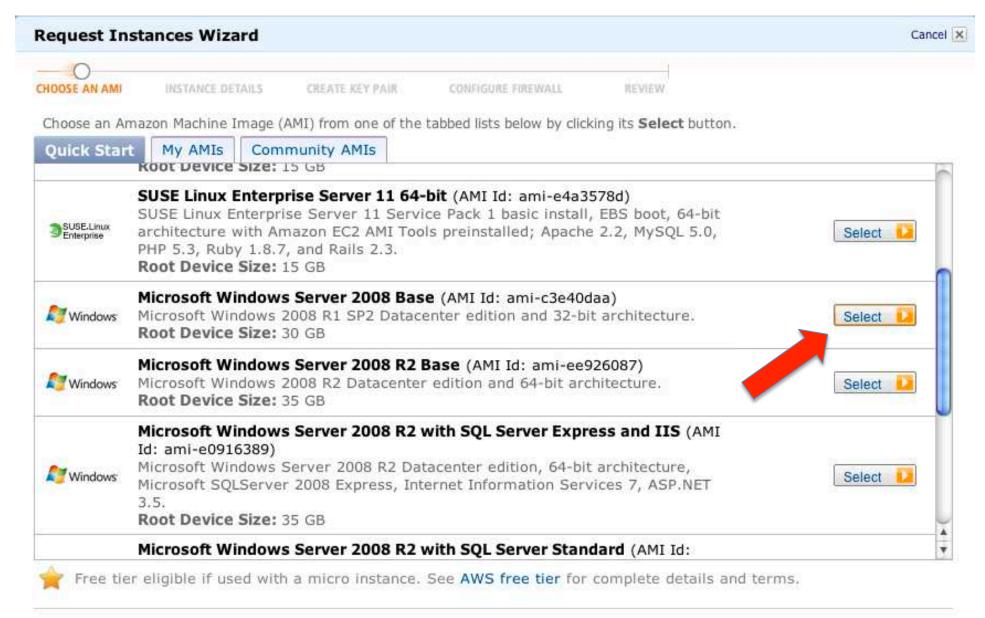
• Amazon has four regions. Each region should be viewed as total separated from each other, i.e., with different images, key pairs, and so on.



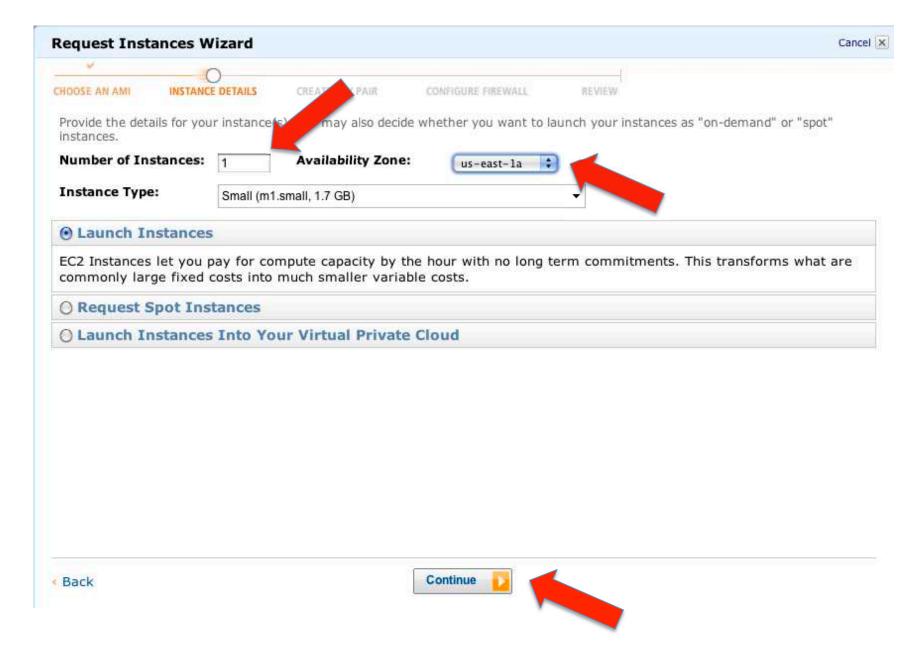
Launch a Windows Instance



Choose an AMI



Launch Instance



Advanced Instance Options

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Tags



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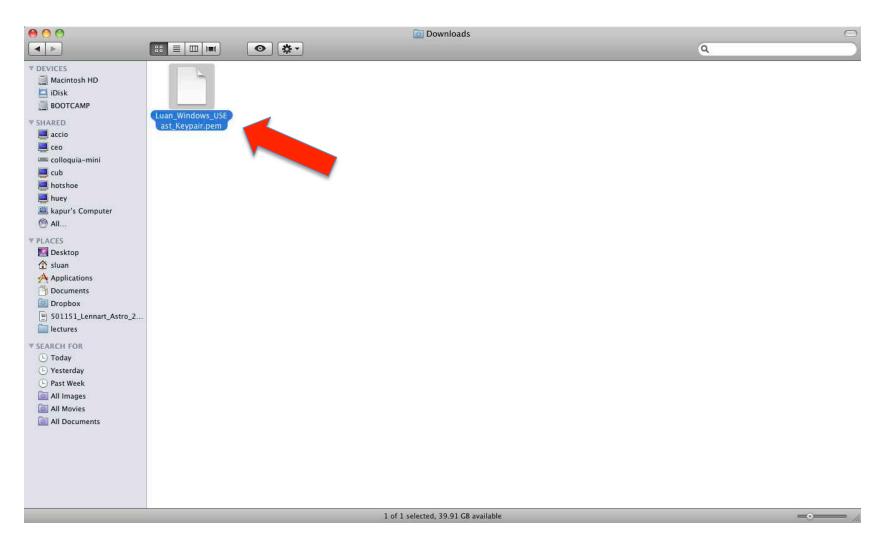
EC2 Tag

- Each EC2 tag consists of a key and a value, both of which user defines.
- Tag keys and values are case sensitive.
- Prefix AWS is reserved.
- AWS doesn't apply any semantic meaning to your tags; they're interpreted strictly as strings of characters. AWS doesn't automatically set any tags on resources.

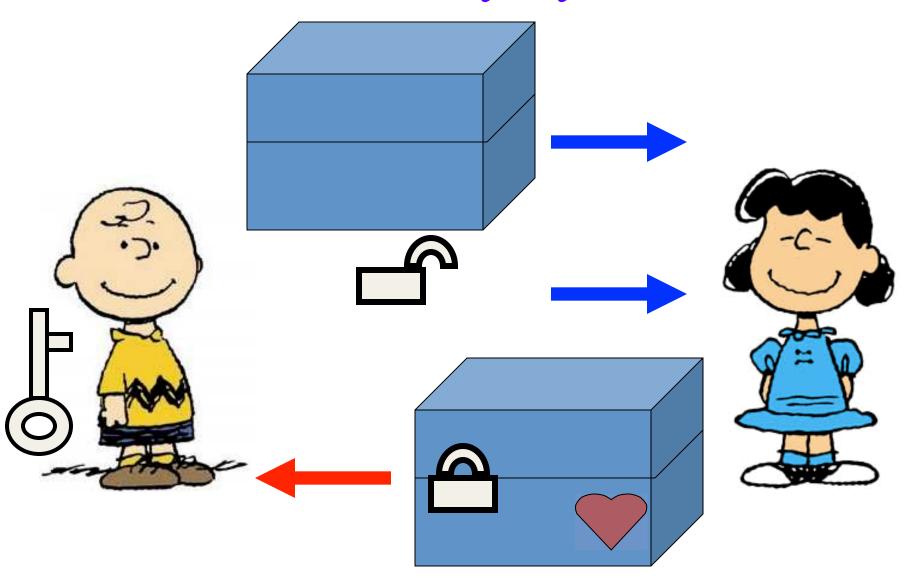
Key Pair for Accessing the Instance



Key Pair File



Public Key System



Key Idea

The key for public system is to construct a one – way encryption function f which is easy to encrypt but hard to decrypt.

For example, the lock box with a lock open is a one - way function. It is easy to put the letter in the box and lock it (i.e., encrypt), but is hard to open the box once it is locked (decrypt).

RSA Public Key System

- Developed by Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, Len Adleman in 1977, who later shared the 2002 Turing Award.
- The idea of RSA system is based on number theory in particular the factorization of large numbers.

Number Theory behind RSA

Let *p* and *q* be distinct primes and *k* is any integer. Then:

- (a) For any integer a with GCD(a,pq) = 1, $a^{k(p-1)(q-1)} \mod pq = 1$
- (b) For any integer a, $a^{k(p-1)(q-1)+1} \mod pq = a$.

Example

$$p = 5, q = 7, a = 19$$

$$GCD(a,pq) = 1$$

$$k = 3, a^{k(p-1)(q-1)} = 19^{3\times4\times6} = 19^{72}$$

$$= 1.1755991641121183246595167229728 \times 10^{92}$$

$$a^{k(p-1)(q-1)} \bmod pq = 1$$

$$a^{k(p-1)(q-1)+1} = 19^{3\times4\times6+1} = 19^{73}$$

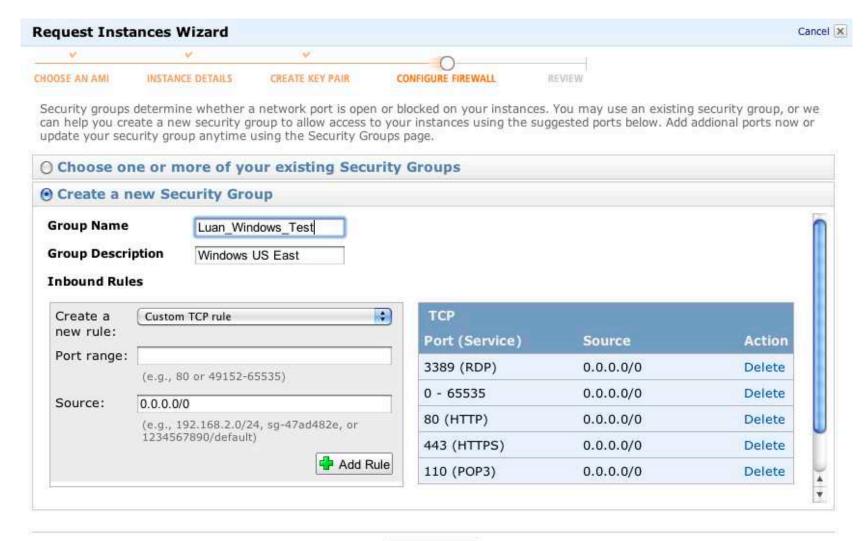
$$= 2.2336384118130248168530817736483 \times 10^{93}$$

$$a^{k(p-1)(q-1)+1} \bmod pq = 19.$$

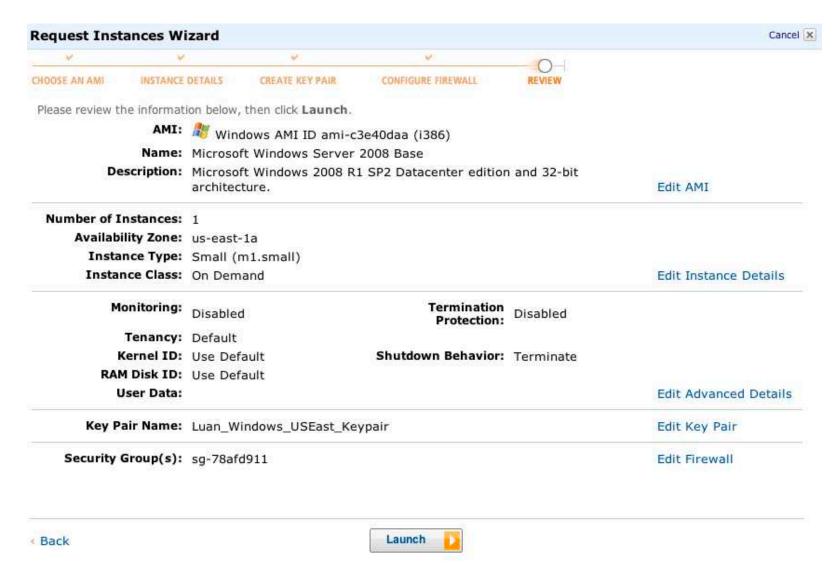
How to use the theorem?

- Suppose we have two primes p and q.
 - -m=pq
 - -n = (p-1)(q-1)
 - -s: GCD(s, n) = 1
- Announce *m* and *s*.
- Encoding
 - Someone wants to send me a message a.
 - Encryption rule: send me $b = a^s \mod m$
- Decoding:
 - $-\operatorname{GCD}(s, n)=1$, then ts+kn=1
 - $-b^t \mod m = (a^s)^t \mod m = a^{-kn+1} \mod m = a$

Security Rules



Summary



Launched

Launch Instance Wizard

Cancel X



Your instances are now launching.

Note: Your instances may take a few minutes to launch, depending on the software you are running.

View your instances on the Instances page

Other AWS Features

Spot Instances

Spot Instances enable customers to lower their Amazon EC2 costs by up to 75% by bidding on unused capacity and running instances for as long as the maximum bid exceeds the current Spot Price.

Go to Amazon EC2 Spot Instances

Reserved Instances

Reserved Instances provide substantial savings over On-Demand instances and ensure that the capacity you need is available to you when required.

Go to Amazon EC2 Reserved Instances

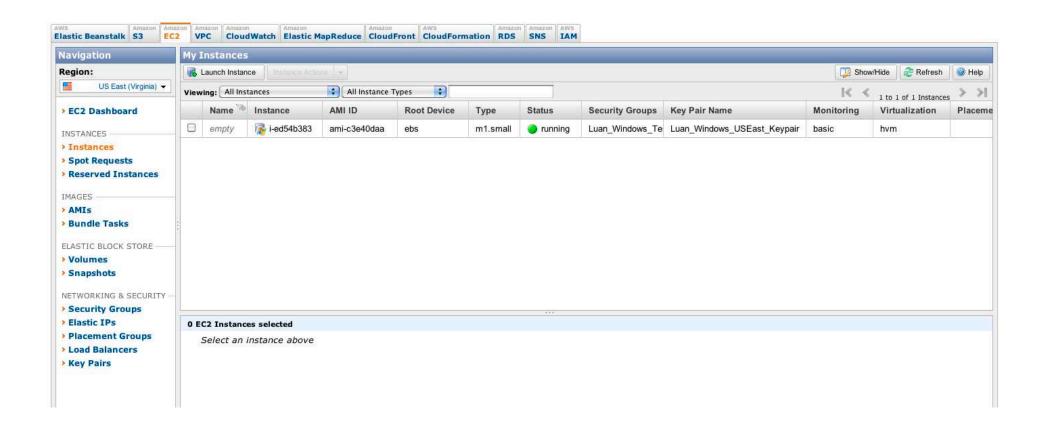
Suse Linux Instances

Suse Linux instances are a proven platform with superior reliability and security and are automatically kept up to date with Novell's security patches, bug fixes and new features.

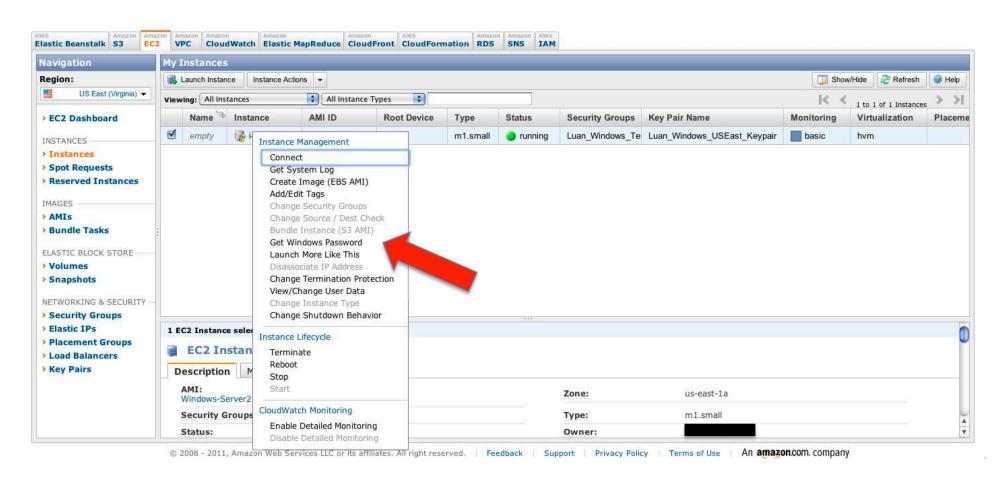
Go to Amazon EC2 running SUSE Linux

Close

AWS Console



Retrieve Windows Password



Retrieving Password (cont.)

Retrieve Default Windows Administrator Password





Not available yet.

Password generation and encryption can sometimes take more than 30 minutes. Please wait at least 15 minutes after launching an instance before trying to retrieve the generated password.



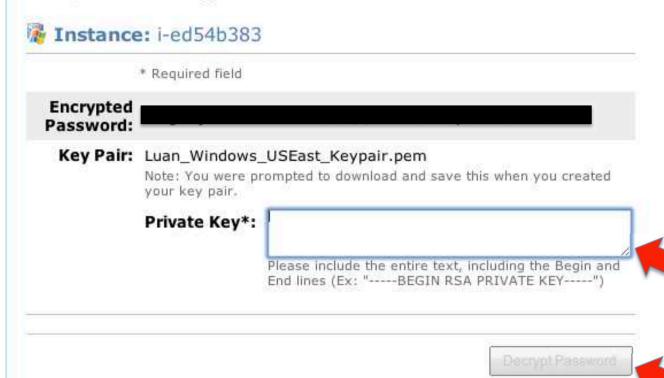
Retrieving Password (cont.)

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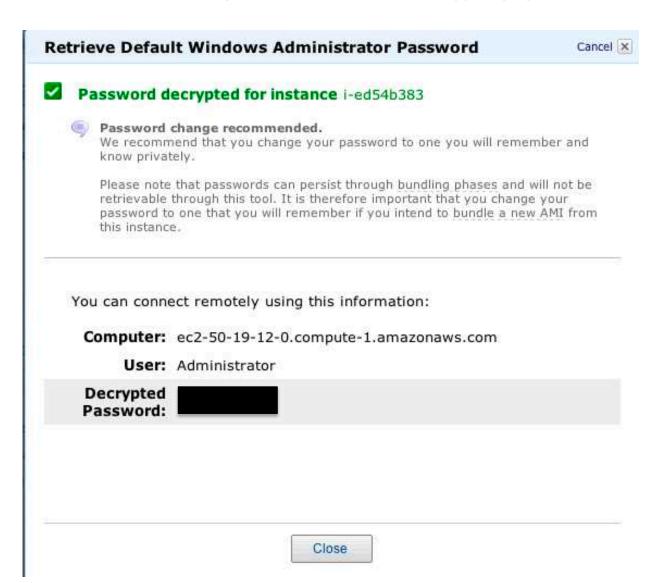
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To access this instance remotely (e.g., Remote Desktop Connection), you will need your Windows Administrator password. A default password was created when the instance was launched and is available encrypted in the system log.

To decrypt your password, you will need your key pair for this instance. Simply copy & paste the contents of your private key file into the text box below, then click **Decrypt Password**.



After 15 Minutes



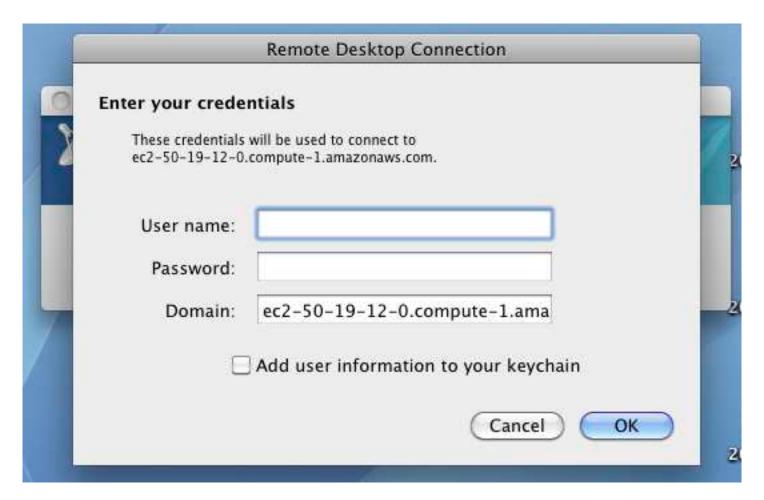
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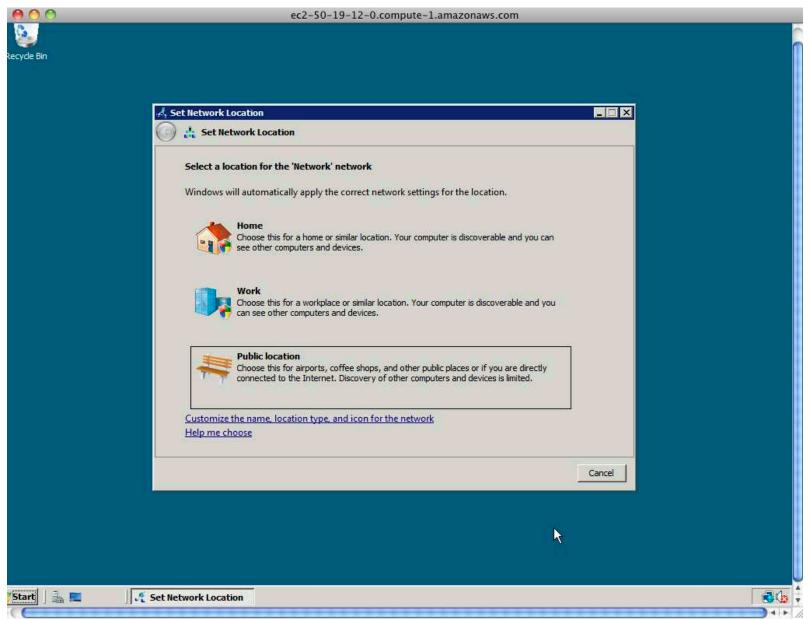
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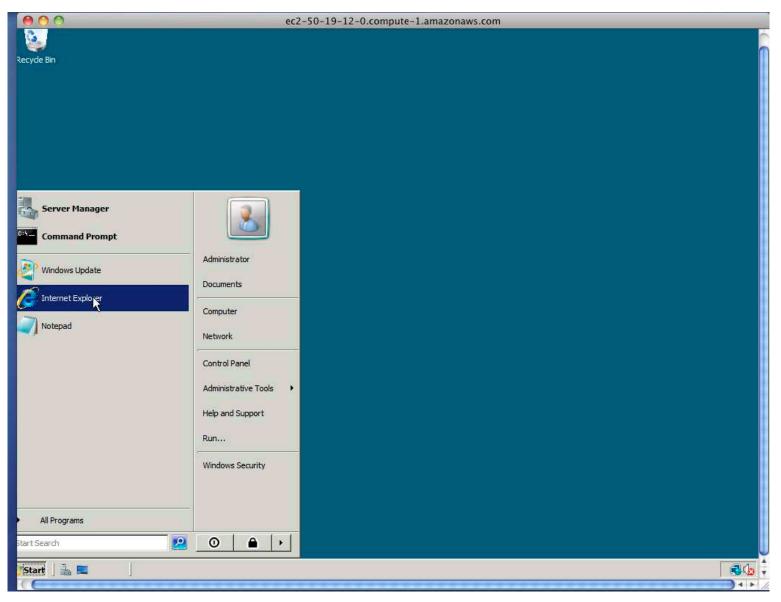
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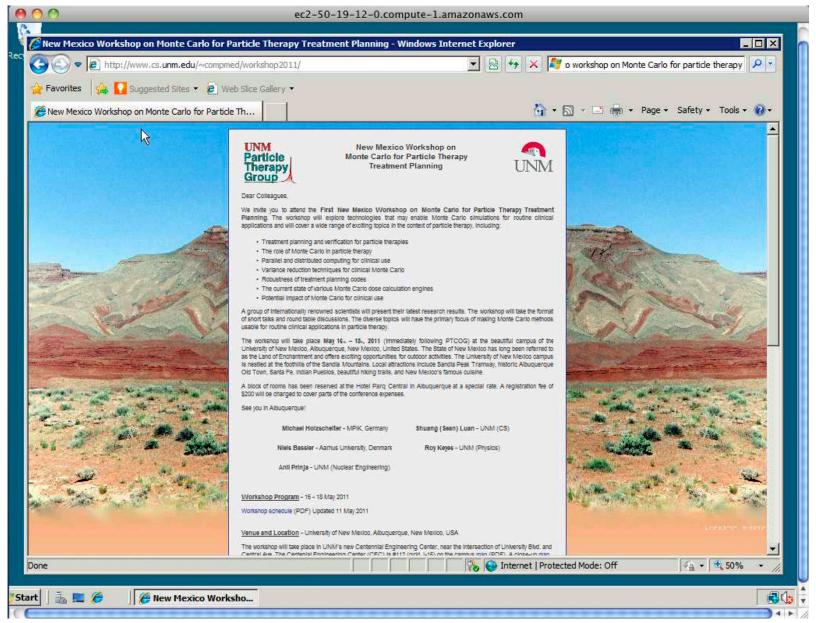
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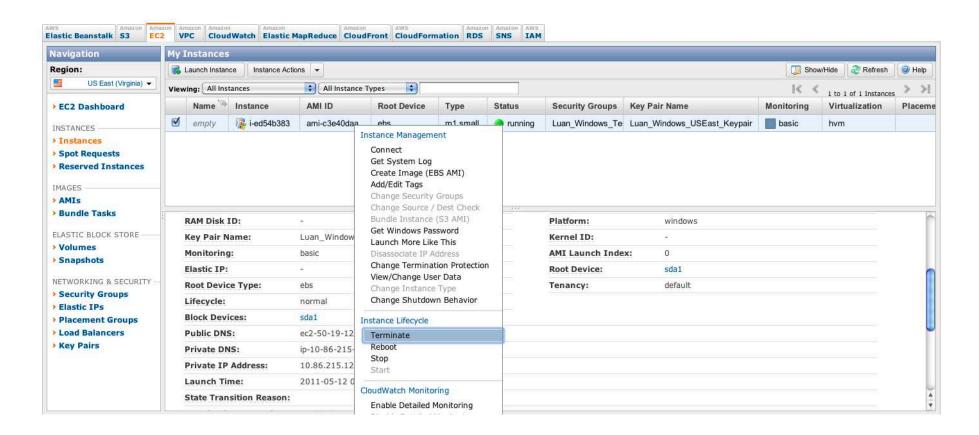
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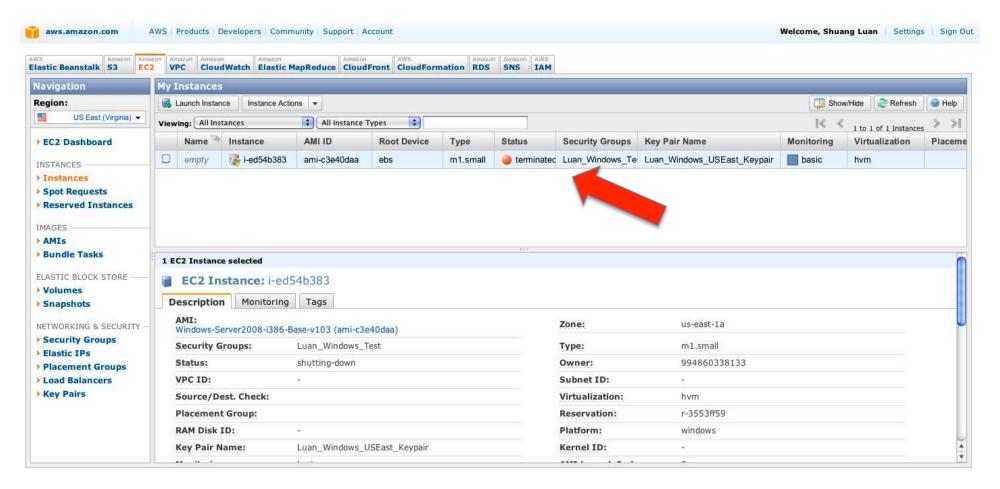
Using Windows (cont.)



Terminate Windows Instance



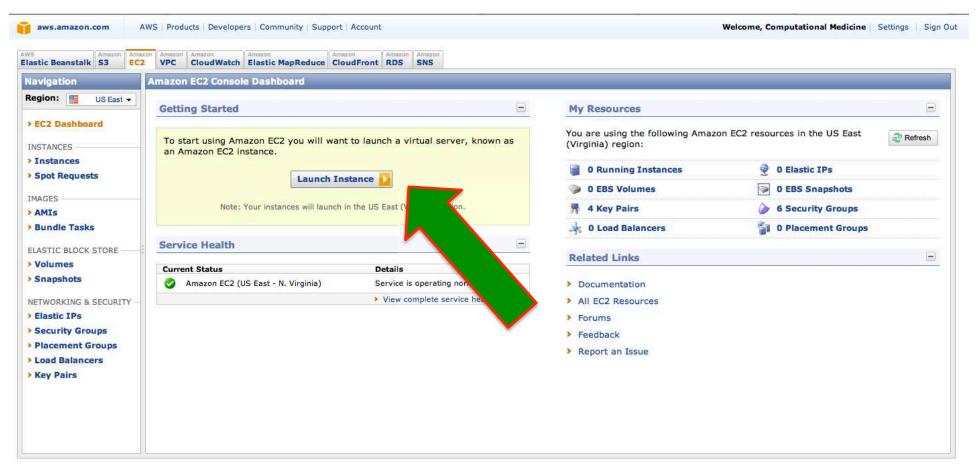
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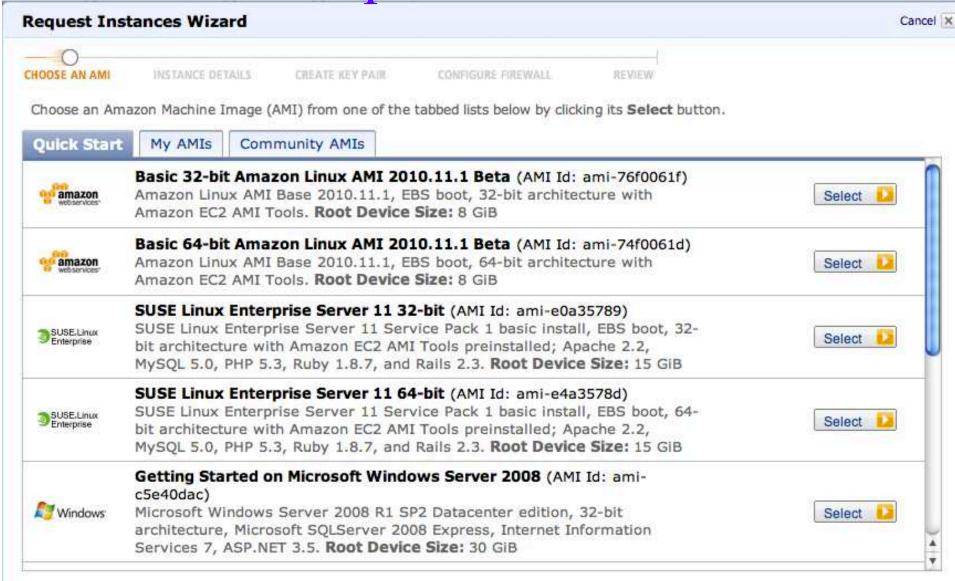
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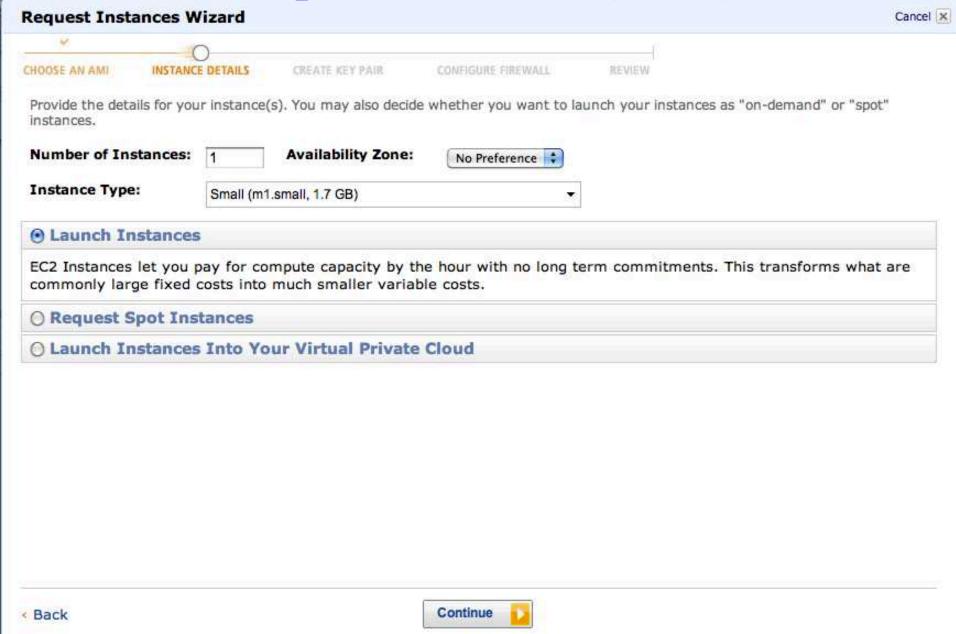
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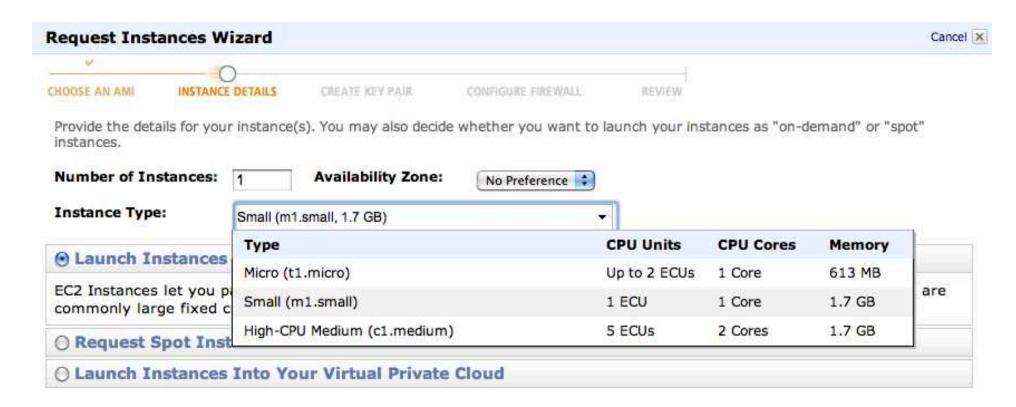
EC2 Tab in the Management Console

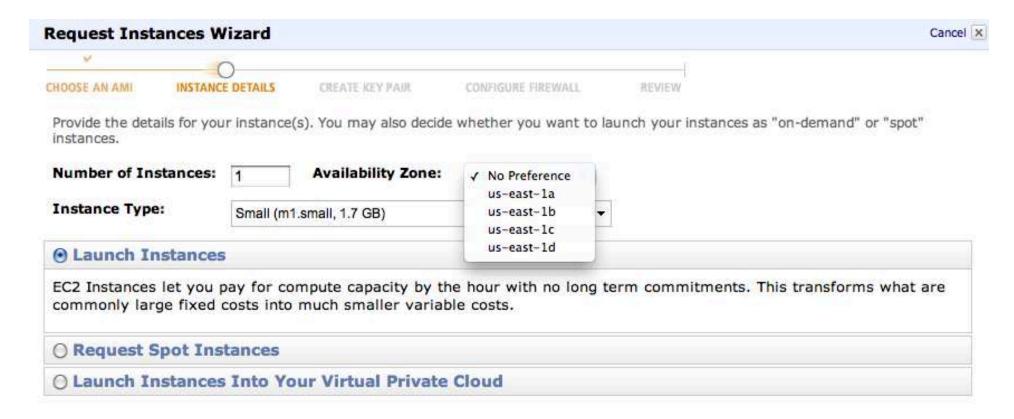


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Key Pair

• A key pair is a security credential similar to a password, which you use to securely connect to your instance once it's running.

REVIEW

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Secure Shell (SSH)

- Designed to replace Telnet, which send information, notably passwords, in plaintext.
- Intended to provide confidentiality and integrity of data over an unsecured network such as the Internet.
- Uses public-key cryptography to authenticate the remote computer and the user.

SSH Preparation: Client

- As a user, you generate an "identity" on the client system by running the ssh-keygen.
- This program creates a subdirectory \$HOME/.ssh and inserts in it two files named identity and identity.pub which contain your private and public keys for your account on the client system.
- This latter file can then be appended to a file \$HOME/.ssh/authorized_keys that should reside on any/all servers where you will make ssh connections.

SSH Preparation: Server

- As a system administrator, you generate a public and private key pair for the system itself.
- If someone wants to fake the server, they will have to break into the system and steal its private key.
- The biggest task is collecting and distributing the keys that identify all the hosts which run ssh.

SSH Authentication

- A user attempts to SSH into the server.
- The server sends its PUBLIC KEY to the user.
- The user checks to see if the PUBLIC KEY exists already in its system. If not, the user is warned. Once the user accepts the key, it is added to the trusted list.
- The user uses the server's PUBLIC KEY to encrypt all communications to the server.
- At the initial stage, this would include user name, password.

SSH Authentication (cont.)

- The user also sends it's PUBLIC KEY to the server. (NOT the same as the Server's PUBLIC KEY).
- The server uses it's own PRIVATE KEY to decrypt all communications from the user (encrypted using the server's PUBLIC KEY). The server then uses the user's PUBLIC KEY to encrypt all communications to the user.
- The user uses it's PRIVATE KEY to decrypt all communications sent by the server (encrypted using the user's PUBLIC KEY).

No Password Authentication

- Client attempts to connect to the server.
- Server checks to see if .rhosts or /etc/hosts.equiv exist (or .shosts and /etc/shosts.equiv)
- Server checks to see if client's host public key is known (i.e. if it exists in /etc/ssh_known_hosts or ~/.ssh/ssh_known_hosts)
- If found server uses the client's public key and generates an encrypted challenge to the client.
- Client decrypts challenge using its host private key and responds.
- Session is authenticated without use of a password.

Key Pairs from EC2

- I think the key pair we downloaded from EC2 contains the public and private key used by the client.
- This is why "Amazon does not store the private key for security reasons. This is most easily retrieved from one of the other Compmed staff. If the private key is lost or stolen, then a new public and private certificate should be generated as soon as possible".

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View your instances on the Instances page

Other AWS Features

Relational Database Service

Amazon RDS makes it easy to set up, operate, and scale a relational database deployment. Launch a preconfigured, resizable MySQL deployment in minutes and let Amazon manage automated backups, patching, and high availability replication.

Go to Amazon RDS

Volumes

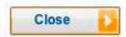
EBS Volumes provide off-instance storage that persists independently of the life of an instance. Add a persistent storage device to an instance using the Elastic Block Store (EBS) Volumes page.

> Go to EBS Volumes

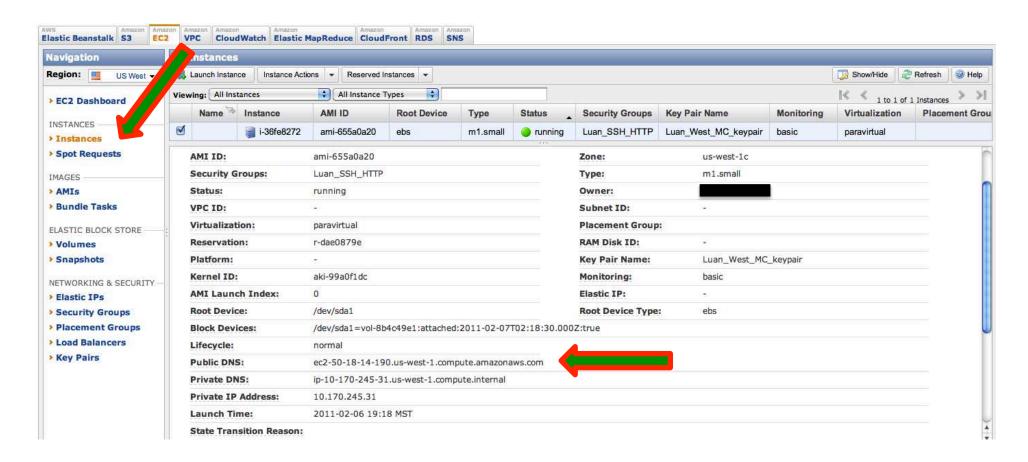
Elastic IPs

Elastic IP addresses allow you to remap a public IP address to any instance in your account. Elastic IPs also enable you to engineer around problems by quickly remapping your Elastic IP address to a replacement instance.

Go to Elastic IPs



Instances



Login to Instance

000 Shuang-Luans-MacBook-Pro:US West sluan\$ ssh -i Luan West MC keypair.pem root@ec2 -50-18-14-190.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com Please login as the ec2-user user rather than root user. Connection to ec2-50-18-14-190.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com closed. Shuang-Luans-MacBook-Pro:US_West sluan\$ ssh -i Luan_West_MC_keypair.pem ec2-user @ec2-50-18-14-190.us-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com | __|_) Amazon Linux AMI (/ Beta See /usr/share/doc/amzn-ami/image-release-notes for latest release notes. :-) [ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 ~] \$ which gcc /usr/bin/which: no gcc in (/usr/local/bin:/bin:/usr/bin:/opt/aws/bin:/home/ec2-u ser/bin) [ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 ~] \$ which wget /usr/bin/wget [ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 ~] \$ which g++ /usr/bin/which: no g++ in (/usr/local/bin:/bin:/usr/bin:/opt/aws/bin:/home/ec2-u ser/bin) [ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 ~]\$

Installing gcc

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[ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 bin]$ uname -a
Linux ip-10-170-245-31 2.6.34.7-56.40.amzn1.i686 #1 SMP Fri Oct 22 18:48:33 UTC
2010 i686 i686 i386 GNU/Linux
[ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 bin]$ which rpm
/bin/rpm
[ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 bin]$
                                      sudo yum install gcc
/usr/bin/yum
[ec2-user@ip-10-170-245-31 bin]$
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Installing g++

ec2-user@ip-10-170-246-221:~ - ssh - 80×24

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    ⊗ ec2-user@i...221:~ — ssh

[ec2-user@ip-10-170-246-221 \sim]$ sudo yum install gcc-c++
Loaded plugins: fastestmirror, security
Loading mirror speeds from cached hostfile
Setting up Install Process
Resolving Dependencies
--> Running transaction check
---> Package gcc-c++.i386 0:4.1.2-48.14.amzn1 set to be updated
--> Processing Dependency: libstdc++-devel = 4.1.2-48.14.amzn1 for package: qcc-
c++-4.1.2-48.14.amzn1.i386
--> Running transaction check
---> Package libstdc++-devel.i386 0:4.1.2-48.14.amzn1 set to be updated
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Transaction Summary

Thank You.