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## Exam Questions AWS-Certified-Solutions-Architect-Professional

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**NEW QUESTION 1**

- (Exam Topic 2)

An external audit of a company's serverless application reveals IAM policies that grant too many permissions. These policies are attached to the company's AWS Lambda execution roles. Hundreds of the company's Lambda functions have broad access permissions, such as full access to Amazon S3 buckets and Amazon DynamoDB tables. The company wants each function to have only the minimum permissions that the function needs to complete its task.

A solutions architect must determine which permissions each Lambda function needs.

What should the solutions architect do to meet this requirement with the LEAST amount of effort?

- A. Set up Amazon CodeGuru to profile the Lambda functions and search for AWS API call
- B. Create an inventory of the required API calls and resources for each Lambda function
- C. Create new IAM access policies for each Lambda function
- D. Review the new policies to ensure that they meet the company's business requirements.
- E. Turn on AWS CloudTrail logging for the AWS account
- F. Use AWS Identity and Access Management Access Analyzer to generate IAM access policies based on the activity recorded in the CloudTrail log
- G. Review the generated policies to ensure that they meet the company's business requirements.
- H. Turn on AWS CloudTrail logging for the AWS account
- I. Create a script to parse the CloudTrail log, search for AWS API calls by Lambda execution role, and create a summary report
- J. Review the report
- K. Create IAM access policies that provide more restrictive permissions for each Lambda function.
- L. Turn on AWS CloudTrail logging for the AWS account
- M. Export the CloudTrail logs to Amazon S3. Use Amazon EMR to process the CloudTrail logs in Amazon S3 and produce a report of API calls and resources used by each execution role
- N. Create a new IAM access policy for each role
- O. Export the generated roles to an S3 bucket
- P. Review the generated policies to ensure that they meet the company's business requirements.

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

IAM Access Analyzer helps you identify the resources in your organization and accounts, such as Amazon S3 buckets or IAM roles, shared with an external entity. This lets you identify unintended access to your resources and data, which is a security risk. IAM Access Analyzer identifies resources shared with external principals by using logic-based reasoning to analyze the resource-based policies in your AWS environment.

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/what-is-access-analyzer.html>

**NEW QUESTION 2**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company has deployed its database on an Amazon RDS for MySQL DB instance in the us-east-1 Region. The company needs to make its data available to customers in Europe. The customers in Europe must have access to the same data as customers in the United States (US) and will not tolerate high application latency or stale data. The customers in Europe and the customers in the US need to write to the database. Both groups of customers need to see updates from the other group in real time.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Create an Amazon Aurora MySQL replica of the RDS for MySQL DB instance
- B. Pause application writes to the RDS DB instance
- C. Promote the Aurora Replica to a standalone DB instance
- D. Reconfigure the application to use the Aurora database and resume write
- E. Add eu-west-1 as a secondary Region to the DB instance
- F. Enable write forwarding on the DB instance
- G. Deploy the application in eu-west-1. Configure the application to use the Aurora MySQL endpoint in eu-west-1.
- H. Add a cross-Region replica in eu-west-1 for the RDS for MySQL DB instance
- I. Configure the replica to replicate write queries back to the primary DB instance
- J. Deploy the application in eu-west-1. Configure the application to use the RDS for MySQL endpoint in eu-west-1.
- K. Copy the most recent snapshot from the RDS for MySQL DB instance to eu-west-1. Create a new RDS for MySQL DB instance in eu-west-1 from the snapshot
- L. Configure MySQL logical replication from us-east-1 to eu-west-1. Enable write forwarding on the DB instance
- M. Deploy the application in eu-west-1. Configure the application to use the RDS for MySQL endpoint in eu-west-1.
- N. Convert the RDS for MySQL DB instance to an Amazon Aurora MySQL DB instance
- O. Add eu-west-1 as a secondary Region to the DB instance
- P. Enable write forwarding on the DB instance
- Q. Deploy the application in eu-west-1. Configure the application to use the Aurora MySQL endpoint in eu-west-1.

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

The company should use AWS Amplify to create a static website for uploads of media files. The company should use Amplify Hosting to serve the website through Amazon CloudFront. The company should use Amazon S3 to store the uploaded media files. The company should use Amazon Cognito to authenticate users. This solution will meet the requirements with the least operational overhead because AWS Amplify is a complete solution that lets frontend web and mobile developers easily build, ship, and host full-stack applications on AWS, with the flexibility to leverage the breadth of AWS services as use cases evolve. No cloud expertise needed<sup>1</sup>. By using AWS Amplify, the company can refactor the application to a serverless architecture that reduces operational complexity and costs. AWS Amplify offers the following features and benefits:

- Amplify Studio: A visual interface that enables you to build and deploy a full-stack app quickly, including frontend UI and backend.
- Amplify CLI: A local toolchain that enables you to configure and manage an app backend with just a few commands.
- Amplify Libraries: Open-source client libraries that enable you to build cloud-powered mobile and web apps.
- Amplify UI Components: Open-source design system with cloud-connected components for building feature-rich apps fast.
- Amplify Hosting: Fully managed CI/CD and hosting for fast, secure, and reliable static and server-side rendered apps.

By using AWS Amplify to create a static website for uploads of media files, the company can leverage Amplify Studio to visually build a pixel-perfect UI and connect it to a cloud backend in clicks. By using Amplify Hosting to serve the website through Amazon CloudFront, the company can easily deploy its web app or website to the fast, secure, and reliable AWS content delivery network (CDN), with hundreds of points of presence globally. By using Amazon S3 to store the uploaded media files, the company can benefit from a highly scalable, durable, and cost-effective object storage service that can handle any amount of data<sup>2</sup>. By

using Amazon Cognito to authenticate users, the company can add user sign-up, sign-in, and access control to its web app with a fully managed service that scales to support millions of users<sup>3</sup>.

The other options are not correct because:

- Using AWS Application Migration Service to migrate the application server to Amazon EC2 instances would not refactor the application or accelerate development. AWS Application Migration Service (AWS MGN) is a service that enables you to migrate physical servers, virtual machines (VMs), or cloud servers from any source infrastructure to AWS without requiring agents or specialized tools. However, this would not address the challenges of overutilization and data uploads failures. It would also not reduce operational overhead or costs compared to a serverless architecture.
- Creating a static website for uploads of media files and using AWS AppSync to create an API would not be as simple or fast as using AWS Amplify. AWS AppSync is a service that enables you to create flexible APIs for securely accessing, manipulating, and combining data from one or more data sources. However, this would require more configuration and management than using Amplify Studio and Amplify Hosting. It would also not provide authentication features like Amazon Cognito.
- Setting up AWS IAM Identity Center (AWS Single Sign-On) to give users the ability to sign in to the application would not be as suitable as using Amazon Cognito. AWS Single Sign-On (AWS SSO) is a service that enables you to centrally manage SSO access and user permissions across multiple AWS accounts and business applications. However, this service is designed for enterprise customers who need to manage access for employees or partners across multiple resources. It is not intended for authenticating end users of web or mobile apps.

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- <https://aws.amazon.com/mgn/>
- <https://aws.amazon.com/appsync/>
- <https://aws.amazon.com/single-sign-on/>

### NEW QUESTION 3

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company needs to optimize the cost of backups for Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS). A solutions architect has already configured a backup plan in AWS Backup for the EFS backups. The backup plan contains a rule with a lifecycle configuration to transition EFS backups to cold storage after 7 days and to keep the backups for an additional 90 days.

After 1 month, the company reviews its EFS storage costs and notices an increase in the EFS backup costs. The EFS backup cold storage produces almost double the cost of the EFS warm backup storage.

What should the solutions architect do to optimize the cost?

- A. Modify the backup rule's lifecycle configuration to move the EFS backups to cold storage after 1 day. Set the backup retention period to 30 days.
- B. Modify the backup rule's lifecycle configuration to move the EFS backups to cold storage after 8 days. Set the backup retention period to 30 days.
- C. Modify the backup rule's lifecycle configuration to move the EFS backups to cold storage after 1 day. Set the backup retention period to 90 days.
- D. Modify the backup rule's lifecycle configuration to move the EFS backups to cold storage after 8 days. Set the backup retention period to 98 days.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

The cost of EFS backup cold storage is \$0.01 per GB-month, whereas the cost of EFS backup warm storage is \$0.05 per GB-month<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, moving the backups to cold storage as soon as possible will reduce the storage cost. However, cold storage backups must be retained for a minimum of 90 days<sup>2</sup>, otherwise they incur a pro-rated charge equal to the storage charge for the remaining days<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, setting the backup retention period to 30 days will incur a penalty of 60 days of cold storage cost for each backup deleted. This penalty will still be lower than keeping the backups in warm storage for 7 days and then in cold storage for 83 days, which is the current configuration. Therefore, option A is the most cost-effective solution.

### NEW QUESTION 4

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company needs to optimize the cost of an AWS environment that contains multiple accounts in an organization in AWS Organizations. The company conducted cost optimization activities 3 years ago and purchased Amazon EC2 Standard Reserved Instances that recently expired.

The company needs EC2 instances for 3 more years. Additionally, the company has deployed a new serverless workload.

Which strategy will provide the company with the MOST cost savings?

- A. Purchase the same Reserved Instances for an additional 3-year term with All Upfront payment
- B. Purchase a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in the management account to cover any additional compute costs.
- C. Purchase a 1-year Compute Savings Plan with No Upfront payment in each member account
- D. Use the Savings Plans recommendations in the AWS Cost Management console to choose the Compute Savings Plan.
- E. Purchase a 3-year EC2 Instance Savings Plan with No Upfront payment in the management account to cover EC2 costs in each AWS Region
- F. Purchase a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with No Upfront payment in the management account to cover any additional compute costs.
- G. Purchase a 3-year EC2 Instance Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in each member account
- H. Use the Savings Plans recommendations in the AWS Cost Management console to choose the EC2 Instance Savings Plan.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

The company should purchase the same Reserved Instances for an additional 3-year term with All Upfront payment. The company should purchase a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in the management account to cover any additional compute costs. This solution will provide the company with the most cost savings because Reserved Instances and Savings Plans are both pricing models that offer significant discounts compared to On-Demand pricing. Reserved Instances are commitments to use a specific instance type and size in a single Region for a one- or three-year term. You can choose between three payment options:

No Upfront, Partial Upfront, or All Upfront. The more you pay upfront, the greater the discount<sup>1</sup>. Savings Plans are flexible pricing models that offer low prices on EC2 instances, Fargate, and Lambda usage, in exchange for a commitment to a consistent amount of usage (measured in \$/hour) for a one- or three-year term. You can choose between two types of Savings Plans: Compute Savings Plans and EC2 Instance Savings Plans. Compute Savings Plans apply to any EC2 instance regardless of Region, instance family, operating system, or tenancy, including those that are part of EMR, ECS, or EKS clusters, or launched by Fargate or Lambda. EC2 Instance Savings Plans apply to a specific instance family within a Region and provide the most savings<sup>2</sup>. By purchasing the same Reserved Instances for an additional 3-year term with All Upfront payment, the company can lock in the lowest possible price for its EC2 instances that run continuously for 3 years. By purchasing a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in the management account, the company can benefit from additional discounts on



any other compute usage across its member accounts.

The other options are not correct because:

➤ Purchasing a 1-year Compute Savings Plan with No Upfront payment in each member account would not provide as much cost savings as purchasing a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in the management account. A 1-year term offers lower discounts than a 3-year term, and a No Upfront payment option offers lower discounts than an All Upfront payment option. Also, purchasing a Savings Plan in each member account would not allow the company to share the benefits of unused Savings Plan discounts across its organization.

➤ Purchasing a 3-year EC2 Instance Savings Plan with No Upfront payment in the management account to cover EC2 costs in each AWS Region would not provide as much cost savings as purchasing Reserved Instances for an additional 3-year term with All Upfront payment. An EC2 Instance Savings Plan offers lower discounts than Reserved Instances for the same instance family and Region. Also, a No Upfront payment option offers lower discounts than an All Upfront payment option.

➤ Purchasing a 3-year EC2 Instance Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in each member account would not provide as much flexibility or cost savings as purchasing a 3-year Compute Savings Plan with All Upfront payment in the management account. An EC2 Instance Savings Plan applies only to a specific instance family within a Region and does not cover Fargate or Lambda usage. Also, purchasing a Savings Plan in each member account would not allow the company to share the benefits of unused Savings Plan discounts across its organization.

References:

➤ <https://aws.amazon.com/ec2/pricing/reserved-instances/>

➤ <https://aws.amazon.com/savingsplans/>

## NEW QUESTION 5

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company needs to build a disaster recovery (DR) solution for its ecommerce website. The web application is hosted on a fleet of t3.large Amazon EC2 instances and uses an Amazon RDS for MySQL DB instance. The EC2 instances are in an Auto Scaling group that extends across multiple Availability Zones.

In the event of a disaster, the web application must fail over to the secondary environment with an RPO of 30 seconds and an RTO of 10 minutes.

Which solution will meet these requirements MOST cost-effectively?

- A. Use infrastructure as code (IaC) to provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region
- B. Create a cross-Region read replica for the DB instance
- C. Set up a backup plan in AWS Backup to create cross-Region backups for the EC2 instances and the DB instance
- D. Create a cron expression to back up the EC2 instances and the DB instance every 30 seconds to the DR Region
- E. Recover the EC2 instances from the latest EC2 backup
- F. Use an Amazon Route 53 geolocation routing policy to automatically fail over to the DR Region in the event of a disaster.
- G. Use infrastructure as code (IaC) to provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region
- H. Create a cross-Region read replica for the DB instance
- I. Set up AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to continuously replicate the EC2 instances to the DR Region
- J. Run the EC2 instances at the minimum capacity in the DR Region. Use an Amazon Route 53 failover routing policy to automatically fail over to the DR Region in the event of a disaster
- K. Increase the desired capacity of the Auto Scaling group.
- L. Set up a backup plan in AWS Backup to create cross-Region backups for the EC2 instances and the DB instance
- M. Create a cron expression to back up the EC2 instances and the DB instance every 30 seconds to the DR Region
- N. Use infrastructure as code (IaC) to provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region
- O. Manually restore the backed-up data on new instance
- P. Use an Amazon Route 53 simple routing policy to automatically fail over to the DR Region in the event of a disaster.
- Q. Use infrastructure as code (IaC) to provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region
- R. Create an Amazon Aurora global database
- S. Set up AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to continuously replicate the EC2 instances to the DR Region
- T. Run the Auto Scaling group of EC2 instances at full capacity in the DR Region
- . Use an Amazon Route 53 failover routing policy to automatically fail over to the DR Region in the event of a disaster.

**Answer: B**

### Explanation:

The company should use infrastructure as code (IaC) to provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region. The company should create a cross-Region read replica for the DB instance. The company should set up AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to continuously replicate the EC2 instances to the DR Region. The company should run the EC2 instances at the minimum capacity in the DR Region. The company should use an Amazon Route 53 failover routing policy to automatically fail over to the DR Region in the event of a disaster. The company should increase the desired capacity of the Auto Scaling group. This solution will meet the requirements most cost-effectively because AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery (AWS DRS) is a service that minimizes downtime and data loss with fast, reliable recovery of on-premises and cloud-based applications using affordable storage, minimal compute, and point-in-time recovery. AWS DRS enables RPOs of seconds and RTOs of minutes<sup>1</sup>. AWS DRS continuously replicates data from the source servers to a staging area subnet in the DR Region, where it uses low-cost storage and minimal compute resources to maintain ongoing replication. In the event of a disaster, AWS DRS automatically converts the servers to boot and run natively on AWS and launches recovery instances on AWS within minutes<sup>2</sup>. By using AWS DRS, the company can save costs by removing idle recovery site resources and paying for the full disaster recovery site only when needed. By creating a cross-Region read replica for the DB instance, the company can have a standby copy of its primary database in a different AWS Region<sup>3</sup>. By using infrastructure as code (IaC), the company can provision the new infrastructure in the DR Region in an automated and consistent way<sup>4</sup>. By using an Amazon Route 53 failover routing policy, the company can route traffic to a resource that is healthy or to another resource when the first resource becomes unavailable.

The other options are not correct because:

➤ Using AWS Backup to create cross-Region backups for the EC2 instances and the DB instance would not meet the RPO and RTO requirements. AWS Backup is a service that enables you to centralize and automate data protection across AWS services. You can use AWS Backup to back up your application data across AWS services in your account and across accounts. However, AWS Backup does not provide continuous replication or fast recovery; it creates backups at scheduled intervals and requires manual restoration. Creating backups every 30 seconds would also incur high costs and network bandwidth.

➤ Creating an Amazon API Gateway Data API service integration with Amazon Redshift would not help with disaster recovery. The Data API is a feature that enables you to query your Amazon Redshift cluster using HTTP requests, without needing a persistent connection or a SQL client. It is useful for building applications that interact with Amazon Redshift, but not for replicating or recovering data.

➤ Creating an AWS Data Exchange datashare by connecting AWS Data Exchange to the Redshift cluster would not help with disaster recovery. AWS Data Exchange is a service that makes it easy for AWS customers to exchange data in the cloud. You can use AWS Data Exchange to subscribe to a diverse selection of third-party data products or offer your own data products to other AWS customers. A datashare is a feature that enables you to share live and secure access to your Amazon Redshift data across your accounts or with third parties without copying or moving the underlying data. It is useful for sharing query results and views with other users, but not for replicating or recovering data.

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- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/redshift/latest/dg/datashare-overview.html>

**NEW QUESTION 6**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is designing a new website that hosts static content. The website will give users the ability to upload and download large files. According to company requirements, all data must be encrypted in transit and at rest. A solutions architect is building the solution by using Amazon S3 and Amazon CloudFront. Which combination of steps will meet the encryption requirements? (Select THREE.)

- A. Turn on S3 server-side encryption for the S3 bucket that the web application uses.
- B. Add a policy attribute of "aws:SecureTransport": "true" for read and write operations in the S3 ACLs.
- C. Create a bucket policy that denies any unencrypted operations in the S3 bucket that the web application uses.
- D. Configure encryption at rest on CloudFront by using server-side encryption with AWS KMS keys (SSE-KMS).
- E. Configure redirection of HTTP requests to HTTPS requests in CloudFront.
- F. Use the RequireSSL option in the creation of presigned URLs for the S3 bucket that the web application uses.

**Answer:** ACE

**Explanation:**

Turning on S3 server-side encryption for the S3 bucket that the web application uses will enable encrypting the data at rest using Amazon S3 managed keys (SSE-S3)1. Creating a bucket policy that denies any unencrypted operations in the S3 bucket that the web application uses will enable enforcing encryption for all requests to the bucket2. Configuring redirection of HTTP requests to HTTPS requests in CloudFront will enable encrypting the data in transit using SSL/TLS3.

**NEW QUESTION 7**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is storing sensitive data in an Amazon S3 bucket. The company must log all activities for objects in the S3 bucket and must keep the logs for 5 years. The company's security team also must receive an email notification every time there is an attempt to delete data in the S3 bucket. Which combination of steps will meet these requirements MOST cost-effectively? (Select THREE.)

- A. Configure AWS CloudTrail to log S3 data events.
- B. Configure S3 server access logging for the S3 bucket.
- C. Configure Amazon S3 to send object deletion events to Amazon Simple Email Service (Amazon SES).
- D. Configure Amazon S3 to send object deletion events to an Amazon EventBridge event bus that publishes to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.
- E. Configure Amazon S3 to send the logs to Amazon Timestream with data storage tiering.
- F. Configure a new S3 bucket to store the logs with an S3 Lifecycle policy.

**Answer:** ADF

**Explanation:**

Configuring AWS CloudTrail to log S3 data events will enable logging all activities for objects in the S3 bucket1. Data events are object-level API operations such as GetObject, DeleteObject, and PutObject1. Configuring Amazon S3 to send object deletion events to an Amazon EventBridge event bus that publishes to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic will enable sending email notifications every time there is an attempt to delete data in the S3 bucket2. EventBridge can route events from S3 to SNS, which can send emails to subscribers2. Configuring a new S3 bucket to store the logs with an S3 Lifecycle policy will enable keeping the logs for 5 years in a cost-effective way3. A lifecycle policy can transition the logs to a cheaper storage class such as Glacier or delete them after a specified period of time3.

**NEW QUESTION 8**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company uses AWS Organizations to manage more than 1,000 AWS accounts. The company has created a new developer organization. There are 540 developer member accounts that must be moved to the new developer organization. All accounts are set up with all the required information so that each account can be operated as a standalone account.

Which combination of steps should a solutions architect take to move all of the developer accounts to the new developer organization? (Select THREE.)

- A. Call the MoveAccount operation in the Organizations API from the old organization's management account to migrate the developer accounts to the new developer organization.
- B. From the management account, remove each developer account from the old organization using the RemoveAccountFromOrganization operation in the Organizations API.
- C. From each developer account, remove the account from the old organization using the RemoveAccountFromOrganization operation in the Organizations API.
- D. Sign in to the new developer organization's management account and create a placeholder member account that acts as a target for the developer account migration.
- E. Call the InviteAccountToOrganization operation in the Organizations API from the new developer organization's management account to send invitations to the developer accounts.
- F. Have each developer sign in to their account and confirm to join the new developer organization.

**Answer:** BEF

**Explanation:**

"This operation can be called only from the organization's management account. Member accounts can remove themselves with LeaveOrganization instead."  
[https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/APIReference/API\\_RemoveAccountFromOrganization.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/APIReference/API_RemoveAccountFromOrganization.html)

**NEW QUESTION 9**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company's interactive web application uses an Amazon CloudFront distribution to serve images from an Amazon S3 bucket. Occasionally, third-party tools ingest corrupted images into the S3 bucket. This image corruption causes a poor user experience in the application later. The company has successfully implemented and tested Python logic to detect corrupt images.

A solutions architect must recommend a solution to integrate the detection logic with minimal latency between the ingestion and serving.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use a Lambda@Edge function that is invoked by a viewer-response event.
- B. Use a Lambda@Edge function that is invoked by an origin-response event.
- C. Use an S3 event notification that invokes an AWS Lambda function.
- D. Use an S3 event notification that invokes an AWS Step Functions state machine.

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

This solution will allow the detection logic to be run as soon as the image is uploaded to the S3 bucket, before it is served to users via the CloudFront distribution. This way, the detection logic can quickly identify any corrupted images and prevent them from being served to users, minimizing latency between ingestion and serving.

Reference: AWS Lambda@Edge documentation:

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/lambda/latest/dg/lambda-edge.html> You can use Lambda@Edge to run your code in response to CloudFront events, such as a viewer request, an origin request, a response, or an error.

**NEW QUESTION 10**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A solutions architect at a large company needs to set up network security for outbound traffic to the internet from all AWS accounts within an organization in AWS Organizations. The organization has more than 100 AWS accounts, and the accounts route to each other by using a centralized AWS Transit Gateway. Each account has both an internet gateway and a NAT gateway for outbound traffic to the internet. The company deploys resources only into a single AWS Region.

The company needs the ability to add centrally managed rule-based filtering on all outbound traffic to the internet for all AWS accounts in the organization. The peak load of outbound traffic will not exceed 25 Gbps in each Availability Zone.

Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Create a new VPC for outbound traffic to the internet.
- B. Connect the existing transit gateway to the new VPC.
- C. Configure a new NAT gateway.
- D. Create an Auto Scaling group of Amazon EC2 instances that run an open-source internet proxy for rule-based filtering across all Availability Zones in the Region.
- E. Modify all default routes to point to the proxy's Auto Scaling group.
- F. Create a new VPC for outbound traffic to the internet.
- G. Connect the existing transit gateway to the new VPC.
- H. Configure a new NAT gateway.
- I. Use an AWS Network Firewall firewall for rule-based filtering.
- J. Create Network Firewall endpoints in each Availability Zone.
- K. Modify all default routes to point to the Network Firewall endpoints.
- L. Create an AWS Network Firewall firewall for rule-based filtering in each AWS account.
- M. Modify all default routes to point to the Network Firewall firewalls in each account.
- N. In each AWS account, create an Auto Scaling group of network-optimized Amazon EC2 instances that run an open-source internet proxy for rule-based filtering.
- O. Modify all default routes to point to the proxy's Auto Scaling group.

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/networking-and-content-delivery/deployment-models-for-aws-network-firewall/>

**NEW QUESTION 10**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company needs to migrate its customer transactions database from on premises to AWS. The database resides on an Oracle DB instance that runs on a Linux server. According to a new security requirement, the company must rotate the database password each year.

Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Convert the database to Amazon DynamoDB by using the AWS Schema Conversion Tool (AWS SCT). Store the password in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store.
- B. Create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm to invoke an AWS Lambda function for yearly password rotation.
- C. Migrate the database to Amazon RDS for Oracle.
- D. Store the password in AWS Secrets Manager.
- E. Turn on automatic rotation.
- F. Configure a yearly rotation schedule.
- G. Migrate the database to an Amazon EC2 instance.
- H. Use AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store to keep and rotate the connection string by using an AWS Lambda function on a yearly schedule.
- I. Migrate the database to Amazon Neptune by using the AWS Schema Conversion Tool (AWS SCT). Create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm to invoke an AWS Lambda function for yearly password rotation.

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 14**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A solutions architect must create a business case for migration of a company's on-premises data center to the AWS Cloud. The solutions architect will use a configuration management database (CMDB) export of all the company's servers to create the case.

Which solution will meet these requirements MOST cost-effectively?

- A. Use AWS Well-Architected Tool to import the CMDB data to perform an analysis and generate recommendations.



- B. Use Migration Evaluator to perform an analysis
- C. Use the data import template to upload the data from the CMDB export.
- D. Implement resource matching rule
- E. Use the CMDB export and the AWS Price List Bulk API to query CMDB data against AWS services in bulk.
- F. Use AWS Application Discovery Service to import the CMDB data to perform an analysis.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/architecture/accelerating-your-migration-to-aws/> Build a business case with AWS Migration Evaluator The foundation for a successful migration starts with a defined business objective (for example, growth or new offerings). In order to enable the business drivers, the established business case must then be aligned to a technical capability (increased security and elasticity). AWS Migration Evaluator (formerly known as TSO Logic) can help you meet these objectives. To get started, you can choose to upload exports from third-party tools such as Configuration Management Database (CMDB) or install a collector agent to monitor. You will receive an assessment after data collection, which includes a projected cost estimate and savings of running your on-premises workloads in the AWS Cloud. This estimate will provide a summary of the projected costs to re-host on AWS based on usage patterns. It will show the breakdown of costs by infrastructure and software licenses. With this information, you can make the business case and plan next steps.

**NEW QUESTION 18**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A solutions architect needs to review the design of an Amazon EMR cluster that is using the EMR File System (EMRFS). The cluster performs tasks that are critical to business needs. The cluster is running Amazon EC2 On-Demand Instances at all times for all task, primary, and core nodes. The EMR tasks run each morning, starting at 1 :00 AM. and take 6 hours to finish running. The amount of time to complete the processing is not a priority because the data is not referenced until late in the day.

The solutions architect must review the architecture and suggest a solution to minimize the compute costs. Which solution should the solutions architect recommend to meet these requirements?

- A. Launch all task, primary, and core nodes on Spot Instances in an instance fleet
- B. Terminate the cluster, including all instances, when the processing is completed.
- C. Launch the primary and core nodes on On-Demand Instance
- D. Launch the task nodes on Spot Instances in an instance fleet
- E. Terminate the cluster, including all instances, when the processing is complete
- F. Purchase Compute Savings Plans to cover the On-Demand Instance usage.
- G. Continue to launch all nodes on On-Demand Instance
- H. Terminate the cluster, including all instances, when the processing is complete
- I. Purchase Compute Savings Plans to cover the On-Demand Instance usage
- J. Launch the primary and core nodes on On-Demand Instance
- K. Launch the task nodes on Spot Instances in an instance fleet
- L. Terminate only the task node instances when the processing is complete
- M. Purchase Compute Savings Plans to cover the On-Demand Instance usage.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

Amazon EC2 Spot Instances offer spare compute capacity at steep discounts compared to On-Demand prices. Spot Instances can be interrupted by EC2 with two minutes of notification when EC2 needs the capacity back. Amazon EMR can handle Spot interruptions gracefully by decommissioning the nodes and redistributing the tasks to other nodes. By launching all nodes on Spot Instances in an instance fleet, the solutions architect can minimize the compute costs of the EMR cluster. An instance fleet is a collection of EC2 instances with different types and sizes that EMR automatically provisions to meet a defined target capacity. By terminating the cluster when the processing is completed, the solutions architect can avoid paying for idle resources. References:

- > <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/emr/latest/ManagementGuide/emr-managed-scaling.html>
- > <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/emr/latest/ManagementGuide/emr-instance-fleet.html>
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**NEW QUESTION 21**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is running a critical stateful web application on two Linux Amazon EC2 instances behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB) with an Amazon RDS for MySQL database The company hosts the DNS records for the application in Amazon Route 53 A solutions architect must recommend a solution to improve the resiliency of the application

The solution must meet the following objectives:

- Application tier RPO of 2 minutes. RTO of 30 minutes
- Database tier RPO of 5 minutes RTO of 30 minutes

The company does not want to make significant changes to the existing application architecture The company must ensure optimal latency after a failover Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Configure the EC2 instances to use AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery Create a cross-Region read replica for the RDS DB instance Create an ALB in a second AWS Region Create an AWS Global Accelerator endpoint and associate the endpoint with the ALBs Update DNS records to point to the Global Accelerator endpoint
- B. Configure the EC2 instances to use Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager (Amazon DLM) to take snapshots of the EBS volumes Configure RDS automated backups Configure backup replication to a second AWS Region Create an ALB in the second Region Create an AWS Global Accelerator endpoint, and associate the endpoint with the ALBs Update DNS records to point to the Global Accelerator endpoint
- C. Create a backup plan in AWS Backup for the EC2 instances and RDS DB instance Configure backup replication to a second AWS Region Create an ALB in the second Region Configure an Amazon CloudFront distribution in front of the ALB Update DNS records to point to CloudFront
- D. Configure the EC2 instances to use Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager (Amazon DLM) to take snapshots of the EBS volumes Create a cross-Region read replica for the RDS DB instance Create an ALB in a second AWS Region Create an AWS Global Accelerator endpoint and associate the endpoint with the ALBs

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

This option meets the RPO and RTO requirements for both the application and database tiers and uses tools like Amazon DLM and RDS automated backups to create and manage the backups. Additionally, it uses Global Accelerator to ensure low latency after failover by directing traffic to the closest healthy endpoint.

**NEW QUESTION 25**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company wants to optimize AWS data-transfer costs and compute costs across developer accounts within the company's organization in AWS Organizations. Developers can configure VPCs and launch Amazon EC2 instances in a single AWS Region. The EC2 instances retrieve approximately 1 TB of data each day from Amazon S3.

The developer activity leads to excessive monthly data-transfer charges and NAT gateway processing charges between EC2 instances and S3 buckets, along with high compute costs. The company wants to proactively enforce approved architectural patterns for any EC2 instance and VPC infrastructure that developers deploy within the AWS accounts. The company does not want this enforcement to negatively affect the speed at which the developers can perform their tasks. Which solution will meet these requirements MOST cost-effectively?

- A. Create SCPs to prevent developers from launching unapproved EC2 instance types. Provide the developers with an AWS CloudFormation template to deploy an approved VPC configuration with S3 interface endpoints. Scope the developers' IAM permissions so that the developers can launch VPC resources only with CloudFormation.
- B. Create a daily forecasted budget with AWS Budgets to monitor EC2 compute costs and S3 data-transfer costs across the developer accounts. When the forecasted cost is 75% of the actual budget cost, send an alert to the developer teams. If the actual budget cost is 100%, create a budget action to terminate the developers' EC2 instances and VPC infrastructure.
- C. Create an AWS Service Catalog portfolio that users can use to create an approved VPC configuration with S3 gateway endpoints and approved EC2 instances. Share the portfolio with the developer accounts. Configure an AWS Service Catalog launch constraint to use an approved IAM role. Scope the developers' IAM permissions to allow access only to AWS Service Catalog.
- D. Create and deploy AWS Config rules to monitor the compliance of EC2 and VPC resources in the developer AWS accounts. If developers launch unapproved EC2 instances or if developers create VPCs without S3 gateway endpoints, perform a remediation action to terminate the unapproved resources.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

This solution allows developers to quickly launch resources using pre-approved configurations and instance types, while also ensuring that the resources launched comply with the company's architectural patterns. This can help reduce data transfer and compute costs associated with the resources. Using AWS Service Catalog also allows the company to control access to the approved configurations and resources through the use of IAM roles, while also allowing developers to quickly provision resources without negatively affecting their ability to perform their tasks.

Reference:

AWS Service Catalog: <https://aws.amazon.com/service-catalog/> AWS Service Catalog Constraints:

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/servicecatalog/latest/adminguide/constraints.html>

AWS Service Catalog Launch Constraints: <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/servicecatalog/latest/adminguide/launch-constraints.html>

**NEW QUESTION 30**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company hosts a blog post application on AWS using Amazon API Gateway, Amazon DynamoDB, and AWS Lambda. The application currently does not use API keys to authorize requests. The API model is as follows: GET/posts/[postid] to get post details, GET/users[user-id] to get user details, GET/comments/[commentid] to get comments details.

The company has noticed users are actively discussing topics in the comments section, and the company wants to increase user engagement by marking the comments as appearing in real time.

Which design should be used to reduce comment latency and improve user experience?

- A. Use edge-optimized API with Amazon CloudFront to cache API responses.
- B. Modify the blog application code to request GET comment[commented] every 10 seconds.
- C. Use AWS AppSync and leverage WebSockets to deliver comments.
- D. Change the concurrency limit of the Lambda functions to lower the API response time.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/appsync/latest/devguide/graphql-overview.html>

AWS AppSync is a fully managed GraphQL service that allows applications to securely access, manipulate, and receive data as well as real-time updates from multiple data sources. 1. AWS AppSync supports GraphQL subscriptions to perform real-time operations and can push data to clients that choose to listen to specific events from the backend. 1. AWS AppSync uses WebSockets to establish and maintain a secure connection between the clients and the API endpoint. 2. Therefore, using AWS AppSync and leveraging WebSockets is a suitable design to reduce comment latency and improve user experience.

**NEW QUESTION 32**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is creating a REST API to share information with six of its partners based in the United States. The company has created an Amazon API Gateway Regional endpoint. Each of the six partners will access the API once per day to post daily sales figures.

After initial deployment, the company observes 1,000 requests per second originating from 500 different IP addresses around the world. The company believes this traffic is originating from a botnet and wants to secure its API while minimizing cost.

Which approach should the company take to secure its API?

- A. Create an Amazon CloudFront distribution with the API as the origin.
- B. Create an AWS WAF web ACL with a rule to block clients that submit more than five requests per day.
- C. Associate the web ACL with the CloudFront distribution.
- D. Configure CloudFront with an origin access identity (OAI) and associate it with the distribution.
- E. Configure API Gateway to ensure only the OAI can run the POST method.
- F. Create an Amazon CloudFront distribution with the API as the origin.
- G. Create an AWS WAF web ACL with a rule to block clients that submit more than five requests per day.
- H. Associate the web ACL with the CloudFront distribution.
- I. Add a custom header to the CloudFront distribution populated with an API key.
- J. Configure the API to require an API key on the POST method.
- K. Create an AWS WAF web ACL with a rule to allow access to the IP addresses used by the six partners. Associate the web ACL with the API.
- L. Create a resource policy with a request limit and associate it with the API.
- M. Configure the API to require an API key on the POST method.
- N. Create an AWS WAF web ACL with a rule to allow access to the IP addresses used by the six partners. Associate the web ACL with the API.
- O. Create a usage plan with a request limit and associate it with the API.
- P. Create an API key and add it to the usage plan.



**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

"A usage plan specifies who can access one or more deployed API stages and methods—and also how much and how fast they can access them. The plan uses API keys to identify API clients and meters access to the associated API stages for each key. It also lets you configure throttling limits and quota limits that are enforced on individual client API keys."

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/apigateway/latest/developerguide/api-gateway-api-usage-plans.html>

A rate-based rule tracks the rate of requests for each originating IP address, and triggers the rule action on IPs with rates that go over a limit. You set the limit as the number of requests per 5-minute time span..... The following caveats apply to AWS WAF rate-based rules: The minimum rate that you can set is 100. AWS WAF checks the rate of requests every 30 seconds, and counts requests for the prior five minutes each time. Because of this, it's possible for an IP address to send requests at too high a rate for 30 seconds before AWS WAF detects and blocks it. AWS WAF can block up to 10,000 IP addresses. If more than 10,000 IP addresses send high rates of requests at the same time, AWS WAF will only block 10,000 of them. " <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/waf/latest/developerguide/waf-rule-statement-type-rate-based.html>

**NEW QUESTION 37**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A solutions architect is reviewing a company's process for taking snapshots of Amazon RDS DB instances. The company takes automatic snapshots every day and retains the snapshots for 7 days.

The solutions architect needs to recommend a solution that takes snapshots every 6 hours and retains the snapshots for 30 days. The company uses AWS Organizations to manage all of its AWS accounts. The company needs a consolidated view of the health of the RDS snapshots.

Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Turn on the cross-account management feature in AWS Backu
- B. Create a backup plan that specifies the frequency and retention requirement
- C. Add a tag to the DB instance
- D. Apply the backup plan by using tag
- E. Use AWS Backup to monitor the status of the backups.
- F. Turn on the cross-account management feature in Amazon RD
- G. Create a snapshot global policy that specifies the frequency and retention requirement
- H. Use the RDS console in the management account to monitor the status of the backups.
- I. Turn on the cross-account management feature in AWS CloudFormatio
- J. From the management account, deploy a CloudFormation stack set that contains a backup plan from AWS Backup that specifies the frequency and retention requirement
- K. Create an AWS Lambda function in the management account to monitor the status of the backup
- L. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule in each account to run the Lambda function on a schedule.
- M. Configure AWS Backup in each accoun
- N. Create an Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager lifecycle policy that specifies the frequency and retention requirement
- O. Specify the DB instances as the target resourc
- P. Use the Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager console in each member account to monitor the status of the backups.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

Turning on the cross-account management feature in AWS Backup will enable managing and monitoring backups across multiple AWS accounts that belong to the same organization in AWS Organizations<sup>1</sup>. Creating a backup plan that specifies the frequency and retention requirements will enable taking snapshots every 6 hours and retaining them for 30 days<sup>2</sup>. Adding a tag to the DB instances will enable applying the backup plan by using tags<sup>2</sup>. Using AWS Backup to monitor the status of the backups will enable having a consolidated view of the health of the RDS snapshots<sup>1</sup>.

**NEW QUESTION 42**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company uses an AWS CodeCommit repository The company must store a backup copy of the data that is in the repository in a second AWS Region

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Configure AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to replicate the CodeCommit repository data to the second Region
- B. Use AWS Backup to back up the CodeCommit repository on an hourly schedule Create a cross-Region copy in the second Region
- C. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule to invoke AWS CodeBuild when the company pushes code to the repository Use CodeBuild to clone the repository Create a zip file of the content Copy the file to an S3 bucket in the second Region
- D. Create an AWS Step Functions workflow on an hourly schedule to take a snapshot of the CodeCommit repository Configure the workflow to copy the snapshot to an S3 bucket in the second Region

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

AWS Backup is a fully managed service that makes it easy to centralize and automate the creation, retention, and restoration of backups across AWS services. It provides a way to schedule automatic backups for CodeCommit repositories on an hourly basis. Additionally, it also supports cross-Region replication, which allows you to copy the backups to a second Region for disaster recovery.

By using AWS Backup, the company can set up an automatic and regular backup schedule for the CodeCommit repository, ensuring that the data is regularly backed up and stored in a second Region. This can provide a way to recover quickly from any disaster event that might occur.

Reference:

AWS Backup documentation: <https://aws.amazon.com/backup/> AWS Backup for AWS CodeCommit documentation:

<https://aws.amazon.com/about-aws/whats-new/2020/07/aws-backup-now-supports-aws-codecommit-repositorie>

**NEW QUESTION 44**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company's public API runs as tasks on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS). The tasks run on AWS Fargate behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB) and are configured with Service Auto Scaling for the tasks based on CPU utilization. This service has been running well for several months.

Recently, API performance slowed down and made the application unusable. The company discovered that a significant number of SQL injection attacks had occurred against the API and that the API service had scaled to its maximum amount.

A solutions architect needs to implement a solution that prevents SQL injection attacks from reaching the ECS API service. The solution must allow legitimate traffic through and must maximize operational efficiency. Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Create a new AWS WAF web ACL to monitor the HTTP requests and HTTPS requests that are forwarded to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks.
- B. Create a new AWS WAF Bot Control implementatio
- C. Add a rule in the AWS WAF Bot Control managed rule group to monitor traffic and allow only legitimate traffic to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks.
- D. Create a new AWS WAF web AC
- E. Add a new rule that blocks requests that match the SQL database rule grou
- F. Set the web ACL to allow all other traffic that does not match those rule
- G. Attach the web ACL to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks.
- H. Create a new AWS WAF web AC
- I. Create a new empty IP set in AWS WA
- J. Add a new rule to the web ACL to block requests that originate from IP addresses in the new IP se
- K. Create an AWS Lambda function that scrapes the API logs for IP addresses that send SQL injection attacks, and add those IP addresses to the IP se
- L. Attach the web ACL to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

The company should create a new AWS WAF web ACL. The company should add a new rule that blocks requests that match the SQL database rule group. The company should set the web ACL to allow all other traffic that does not match those rules. The company should attach the web ACL to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks. This solution will meet the requirements because AWS WAF is a web application firewall that lets you monitor and control web requests that are forwarded to your web applications. You can use AWS WAF to define customizable web security rules that control which traffic can access your web applications and which traffic should be blocked<sup>1</sup>. By creating a new AWS WAF web ACL, the company can create a collection of rules that define the conditions for allowing or blocking web requests. By adding a new rule that blocks requests that match the SQL database rule group, the company can prevent SQL injection attacks from reaching the ECS API service. The SQL database rule group is a managed rule group provided by AWS that contains rules to protect against common SQL injection attack patterns<sup>2</sup>. By setting the web ACL to allow all other traffic that does not match those rules, the company can ensure that legitimate traffic can access the API service. By attaching the web ACL to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks, the company can apply the web security rules to all requests that are forwarded by the load balancer.

The other options are not correct because:

- Creating a new AWS WAF Bot Control implementation would not prevent SQL injection attacks from reaching the ECS API service. AWS WAF Bot Control is a feature that gives you visibility and control over common and pervasive bot traffic that can consume excess resources, skew metrics, cause downtime, or perform other undesired activities. However, it does not protect against SQL injection attacks, which are malicious attempts to execute unauthorized SQL statements against your database<sup>3</sup>.
- Creating a new AWS WAF web ACL to monitor the HTTP requests and HTTPS requests that are forwarded to the ALB in front of the ECS tasks would not prevent SQL injection attacks from reaching the ECS API service. Monitoring mode is a feature that enables you to evaluate how your rules would perform without actually blocking any requests. However, this mode does not provide any protection against attacks, as it only logs and counts requests that match your rules<sup>4</sup>.
- Creating a new AWS WAF web ACL and creating a new empty IP set in AWS WAF would not prevent SQL injection attacks from reaching the ECS API service. An IP set is a feature that enables you to specify a list of IP addresses or CIDR blocks that you want to allow or block based on their source IP address. However, this approach would not be effective or efficient against SQL injection attacks, as it would require constantly updating the IP set with new IP addresses of attackers, and it would not block attackers who use proxies or VPNs.

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**NEW QUESTION 48**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company runs an application in an on-premises data center. The application gives users the ability to upload media files. The files persist in a file server. The web application has many users. The application server is overutilized, which causes data uploads to fail occasionally. The company frequently adds new storage to the file server. The company wants to resolve these challenges by migrating the application to AWS.

Users from across the United States and Canada access the application. Only authenticated users should have the ability to access the application to upload files. The company will consider a solution that refactors the application, and the company needs to accelerate application development.

Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Use AWS Application Migration Service to migrate the application server to Amazon EC2 instances.Create an Auto Scaling group for the EC2 instance
- B. Use an Application Load Balancer to distribute the request
- C. Modify the application to use Amazon S3 to persist the file
- D. Use Amazon Cognito to authenticate users.
- E. Use AWS Application Migration Service to migrate the application server to Amazon EC2 instances.Create an Auto Scaling group for the EC2 instance
- F. Use an Application Load Balancer to distribute the request
- G. Set up AWS IAM Identity Center (AWS Single Sign-On) to give users the ability to sign in to the applicatio
- H. Modify the application to use Amazon S3 to persist the files.
- I. Create a static website for uploads of media file
- J. Store the static assets in Amazon S3. Use AWS AppSync to create an AP
- K. Use AWS Lambda resolvers to upload the media files to Amazon S3. Use Amazon Cognito to authenticate users.
- L. Use AWS Amplify to create a static website for uploads of media file
- M. Use Amplify Hosting to serve the website through Amazon CloudFron
- N. Use Amazon S3 to store the uploaded media file
- O. Use Amazon Cognito to authenticate users.

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

The company should use AWS Amplify to create a static website for uploads of media files. The company should use Amplify Hosting to serve the website through Amazon CloudFront. The company should use Amazon S3 to store the uploaded media files. The company should use Amazon Cognito to authenticate users. This solution will meet the requirements with the least operational overhead because AWS Amplify is a complete solution that lets frontend web and mobile developers easily build, ship, and host full-stack applications on AWS, with the flexibility to leverage the breadth of AWS services as use cases evolve. No cloud expertise needed<sup>1</sup>. By using AWS Amplify, the company can refactor the application to a serverless architecture that reduces operational complexity and costs. AWS Amplify offers the following features and benefits:

- Amplify Studio: A visual interface that enables you to build and deploy a full-stack app quickly, including frontend UI and backend.
- Amplify CLI: A local toolchain that enables you to configure and manage an app backend with just a few commands.
- Amplify Libraries: Open-source client libraries that enable you to build cloud-powered mobile and web apps.
- Amplify UI Components: Open-source design system with cloud-connected components for building feature-rich apps fast.
- Amplify Hosting: Fully managed CI/CD and hosting for fast, secure, and reliable static and server-side rendered apps.

By using AWS Amplify to create a static website for uploads of media files, the company can leverage Amplify Studio to visually build a pixel-perfect UI and connect it to a cloud backend in clicks. By using Amplify Hosting to serve the website through Amazon CloudFront, the company can easily deploy its web app or website to the fast, secure, and reliable AWS content delivery network (CDN), with hundreds of points of presence globally. By using Amazon S3 to store the uploaded media files, the company can benefit from a highly scalable, durable, and cost-effective object storage service that can handle any amount of data<sup>2</sup>. By using Amazon Cognito to authenticate users, the company can add user sign-up, sign-in, and access control to its web app with a fully managed service that scales to support millions of users<sup>3</sup>.

The other options are not correct because:

- Using AWS Application Migration Service to migrate the application server to Amazon EC2 instances would not refactor the application or accelerate development. AWS Application Migration Service (AWS MGN) is a service that enables you to migrate physical servers, virtual machines (VMs), or cloud servers from any source infrastructure to AWS without requiring agents or specialized tools. However, this would not address the challenges of overutilization and data uploads failures. It would also not reduce operational overhead or costs compared to a serverless architecture.
- Creating a static website for uploads of media files and using AWS AppSync to create an API would not be as simple or fast as using AWS Amplify. AWS AppSync is a service that enables you to create flexible APIs for securely accessing, manipulating, and combining data from one or more data sources. However, this would require more configuration and management than using Amplify Studio and Amplify Hosting. It would also not provide authentication features like Amazon Cognito.
- Setting up AWS IAM Identity Center (AWS Single Sign-On) to give users the ability to sign in to the application would not be as suitable as using Amazon Cognito. AWS Single Sign-On (AWS SSO) is a service that enables you to centrally manage SSO access and user permissions across multiple AWS accounts and business applications. However, this service is designed for enterprise customers who need to manage access for employees or partners across multiple resources. It is not intended for authenticating end users of web or mobile apps.

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## NEW QUESTION 51

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company runs an application on AWS. The company curates data from several different sources. The company uses proprietary algorithms to perform data transformations and aggregations. After the company performs ETL processes, the company stores the results in Amazon Redshift tables. The company sells this data to other companies. The company downloads the data as files from the Amazon Redshift tables and transmits the files to several data customers by using FTP. The number of data customers has grown significantly. Management of the data customers has become difficult.

The company will use AWS Data Exchange to create a data product that the company can use to share data with customers. The company wants to confirm the identities of the customers before the company shares data.

The customers also need access to the most recent data when the company publishes the data. Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Use AWS Data Exchange for APIs to share data with customer
- B. Configure subscription verification In the AWS account of the company that produces the data, create an Amazon API Gateway Data API service integration with Amazon Redshift
- C. Require the data customers to subscribe to the data product In the AWS account of the company that produces the data, create an AWS Data Exchange datashare by connecting AWS Data Exchange to the Redshift
- D. cluster
- E. Configure subscription verification
- F. Require the data customers to subscribe to the data product.
- G. Download the data from the Amazon Redshift tables to an Amazon S3 bucket periodically
- H. Use AWS Data Exchange for S3 to share data with customers.
- I. Configure subscription verification
- J. Require the data customers to subscribe to the data product Publish the Amazon Redshift data to an Open Data on AWS Data Exchange
- K. Require the customers to subscribe to the data product in AWS Data Exchange
- L. In the AWS account of the company that produces the data, attach IAM resource-based policies to the Amazon Redshift tables to allow access only to verified AWS accounts.

**Answer: C**

### Explanation:

The company should download the data from the Amazon Redshift tables to an Amazon S3 bucket periodically and use AWS Data Exchange for S3 to share data with customers. The company should configure subscription verification and require the data customers to subscribe to the data product. This solution will meet the requirements with the least operational overhead because AWS Data Exchange for S3 is a feature that enables data subscribers to access third-party data files directly from data providers' Amazon S3 buckets. Subscribers can easily use these files for their data analysis with AWS services without needing to create or manage data copies. Data providers can easily set up AWS Data Exchange for S3 on top of their existing S3 buckets to share direct access to an entire S3 bucket or specific prefixes and S3 objects. AWS Data Exchange automatically manages subscriptions, entitlements, billing, and payment<sup>1</sup>.

The other options are not correct because:

- Using AWS Data Exchange for APIs to share data with customers would not work because AWS Data Exchange for APIs is a feature that enables data subscribers to access third-party APIs directly from data providers' AWS accounts. Subscribers can easily use these APIs for their data analysis with AWS services without needing to manage API keys or tokens. Data providers can easily set up AWS Data Exchange for APIs on top of their existing API Gateway resources to share direct access to an entire API or specific routes and stages<sup>2</sup>. However, this feature is not suitable for sharing data from Amazon Redshift tables, which are not exposed as APIs.
- Creating an Amazon API Gateway Data API service integration with Amazon Redshift would not work because the Data API is a feature that enables you to query your Amazon Redshift cluster using HTTP requests, without needing a persistent connection or a SQL client<sup>3</sup>. It is useful for building applications that



interact with Amazon Redshift, but not for sharing data files with customers.

➤ Creating an AWS Data Exchange datashare by connecting AWS Data Exchange to the Redshift cluster would not work because AWS Data Exchange does not support datashares for Amazon Redshift clusters. A datashare is a feature that enables you to share live and secure access to your Amazon Redshift data across your accounts or with third parties without copying or moving the underlying data<sup>4</sup>. It is useful for sharing query results and views with other users, but not for sharing data files with customers.

➤ Publishing the Amazon Redshift data to an Open Data on AWS Data Exchange would not work because Open Data on AWS Data Exchange is a feature that enables you to find and use free and public datasets from AWS customers and partners. It is useful for accessing open and free data, but not for confirming the identities of the customers or charging them for the data.

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## NEW QUESTION 56

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company runs an intranet application on premises. The company wants to configure a cloud backup of the application. The company has selected AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery for this solution.

The company requires that replication traffic does not travel through the public internet. The application also must not be accessible from the internet. The company does not want this solution to consume all available network bandwidth because other applications require bandwidth.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements? (Select THREE.)

- A. Create a VPC that has at least two private subnets, two NAT gateways, and a virtual private gateway.
- B. Create a VPC that has at least two public subnets, a virtual private gateway, and an internet gateway.
- C. Create an AWS Site-to-Site VPN connection between the on-premises network and the target AWS network.
- D. Create an AWS Direct Connect connection and a Direct Connect gateway between the on-premises network and the target AWS network.
- E. During configuration of the replication servers, select the option to use private IP addresses for data replication.
- F. During configuration of the launch settings for the target servers, select the option to ensure that the Recovery instance's private IP address matches the source server's private IP address.

**Answer:** BDE

### Explanation:

AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery (AWS DRS) is a service that minimizes downtime and data loss with fast, reliable recovery of on-premises and cloud-based applications using affordable storage, minimal compute, and point-in-time recovery<sup>1</sup>. Users can set up AWS DRS on their source servers to initiate secure data replication to a staging area subnet in their AWS account, in the AWS Region they select. Users can then launch recovery instances on AWS within minutes, using the most up-to-date server state or a previous point in time.

To configure a cloud backup of the application with AWS DRS, users need to create a VPC that has at least two public subnets, a virtual private gateway, and an internet gateway. A VPC is a logically isolated section of the AWS Cloud where users can launch AWS resources in a virtual network that they define<sup>2</sup>. A public subnet is a subnet that has a route to an internet gateway<sup>3</sup>. A virtual private gateway is the VPN concentrator on the Amazon side of the Site-to-Site VPN connection<sup>4</sup>. An internet gateway is a horizontally scaled, redundant, and highly available VPC component that allows communication between instances in the VPC and the internet. Users need to create at least two public subnets for redundancy and high availability. Users need to create a virtual private gateway and attach it to the VPC to enable VPN connectivity between the on-premises network and the target AWS network. Users need to create an internet gateway and attach it to the VPC to enable internet access for the replication servers.

To ensure that replication traffic does not travel through the public internet, users need to create an AWS Direct Connect connection and a Direct Connect gateway between the on-premises network and the target AWS network. AWS Direct Connect is a service that establishes a dedicated network connection from an on-premises network to one or more VPCs. A Direct Connect gateway is a globally available resource that allows users to connect multiple VPCs across different Regions to their on-premises networks using one or more Direct Connect connections. Users need to create an AWS Direct Connect connection between their on-premises network and an AWS Region. Users need to create a Direct Connect gateway and associate it with their VPC and their Direct Connect connection.

To ensure that the application is not accessible from the internet, users need to select the option to use private IP addresses for data replication during configuration of the replication servers. This option configures the replication servers with private IP addresses only, without assigning any public IP addresses or Elastic IP addresses. This way, the replication servers can only communicate with other resources within the VPC or through VPN connections.

Option A is incorrect because creating a VPC that has at least two private subnets, two NAT gateways, and a virtual private gateway is not necessary or cost-effective. A private subnet is a subnet that does not have a route to an internet gateway<sup>3</sup>. A NAT gateway is a highly available, managed Network Address Translation (NAT) service that enables instances in a private subnet to connect to the internet or other AWS services, but prevents the internet from initiating connections with those instances. Users do not need to create private subnets or NAT gateways for this use case, as they can use public subnets with private IP addresses for data replication.

Option C is incorrect because creating an AWS Site-to-Site VPN connection between the on-premises network and the target AWS network will not ensure that replication traffic does not travel through the public

internet. A Site-to-Site VPN connection consists of two VPN tunnels between an on-premises customer gateway device and a virtual private gateway in your VPC<sup>4</sup>. The VPN tunnels are encrypted using IPsec protocols, but they still use public IP addresses for communication. Users need to use AWS Direct Connect instead of Site-to-Site VPN for this use case.

Option F is incorrect because selecting the option to ensure that the Recovery instance's private IP address matches the source server's private IP address during configuration of the launch settings for the target servers will not ensure that the application is not accessible from the internet. This option configures the Recovery instance with an identical private IP address as its source server when launched in drills or recovery mode. However, this option does not prevent assigning public IP addresses or Elastic IP addresses to the Recovery instance. Users need to select the option to use private IP addresses for data replication instead.

## NEW QUESTION 57

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is deploying a new web-based application and needs a storage solution for the Linux application servers. The company wants to create a single location for updates to application data for all instances. The active dataset will be up to 100 GB in size. A solutions architect has determined that peak operations will occur for 3 hours daily and will require a total of 225 MiBps of read throughput.

The solutions architect must design a Multi-AZ solution that makes a copy of the data available in another AWS Region for disaster recovery (DR). The DR copy has an RPO of less than 1 hour.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Deploy a new Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) Multi-AZ file system
- B. Configure the file system for 75 MiBps of provisioned throughput
- C. Implement replication to a file system in the DR Region.
- D. Deploy a new Amazon FSx for Lustre file system
- E. Configure Bursting Throughput mode for the file system
- F. Use AWS Backup to back up the file system to the DR Region.
- G. Deploy a General Purpose SSD (gp3) Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volume with 225 MiBps of throughput
- H. Enable Multi-Attach for the EBS volume
- I. Use AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to replicate the EBS volume to the DR Region.
- J. Deploy an Amazon FSx for OpenZFS file system in both the production Region and the DR Region. Create an AWS DataSync scheduled task to replicate the data from the production file system to the DR file system every 10 minutes.

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

The company should deploy a new Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) Multi-AZ file system. The company should configure the file system for 75 MiBps of provisioned throughput. The company should implement replication to a file system in the DR Region. This solution will meet the requirements because Amazon EFS is a serverless, fully elastic file storage service that lets you share file data without provisioning or managing storage capacity and performance. Amazon EFS is built to scale on demand to petabytes without disrupting applications, growing and shrinking automatically as you add and remove files<sup>1</sup>. By deploying a new Amazon EFS Multi-AZ file system, the company can create a single location for updates to application data for all instances. A Multi-AZ file system replicates data across multiple Availability Zones (AZs) within a Region, providing high availability and durability<sup>2</sup>. By configuring the file system for 75 MiBps of provisioned throughput, the company can ensure that it meets the peak operations requirement of 225 MiBps of read throughput. Provisioned throughput is a feature that enables you to specify a level of throughput that the file system can drive independent of the file system's size or burst credit balance<sup>3</sup>. By implementing replication to a file system in the DR Region, the company can make a copy of the data available in another AWS Region for disaster recovery. Replication is a feature that enables you to replicate data from one EFS file system to another EFS file system across AWS Regions. The replication process has an RPO of less than 1 hour.

The other options are not correct because:

- Deploying a new Amazon FSx for Lustre file system would not provide a single location for updates to application data for all instances. Amazon FSx for Lustre is a fully managed service that provides cost-effective, high-performance storage for compute workloads. However, it does not support concurrent write access from multiple instances. Using AWS Backup to back up the file system to the DR Region would not provide real-time replication of data. AWS Backup is a service that enables you to centralize and automate data protection across AWS services. However, it does not support continuous data replication or cross-Region disaster recovery.
- Deploying a General Purpose SSD (gp3) Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volume with 225 MiBps of throughput would not provide a single location for updates to application data for all instances. Amazon EBS is a service that provides persistent block storage volumes for use with Amazon EC2 instances. However, it does not support concurrent access from multiple instances, unless Multi-Attach is enabled. Enabling Multi-Attach for the EBS volume would not provide Multi-AZ resilience or cross-Region replication. Multi-Attach is a feature that enables you to attach an EBS volume to multiple EC2 instances within the same Availability Zone. Using AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery to replicate the EBS volume to the DR Region would not provide real-time replication of data. AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery (AWS DRS) is a service that enables you to orchestrate and automate disaster recovery workflows across AWS Regions. However, it does not support continuous data replication or sub-hour RPOs.
- Deploying an Amazon FSx for OpenZFS file system in both the production Region and the DR Region would not be as simple or cost-effective as using Amazon EFS. Amazon FSx for OpenZFS is a fully managed service that provides high-performance storage with strong data consistency and advanced data management features for Linux workloads. However, it requires more configuration and management than Amazon EFS, which is serverless and fully elastic. Creating an AWS DataSync scheduled task to replicate the data from the production file system to the DR file system every 10 minutes would not provide real-time replication of data. AWS DataSync is a service that enables you to transfer data between on-premises storage and AWS services, or between AWS services. However, it does not support continuous data replication or sub-minute RPOs.

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**NEW QUESTION 62**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is building a hybrid environment that includes servers in an on-premises data center and in the AWS Cloud. The company has deployed Amazon EC2 instances in three VPCs. Each VPC is in a different AWS Region. The company has established an AWS Direct Connect connection to the data center from the Region that is closest to the data center.

The company needs the servers in the on-premises data center to have access to the EC2 instances in all three VPCs. The servers in the on-premises data center also must have access to AWS public services.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements with the LEAST cost? (Select TWO.)

- A. Create a Direct Connect gateway in the Region that is closest to the data center
- B. Attach the Direct Connect connection to the Direct Connect gateway
- C. Use the
- D. Direct Connect gateway to connect the VPCs in the other two Regions.
- E. Set up additional Direct Connect connections from the on-premises data center to the other two Regions.
- F. Create a private VIF
- G. Establish an AWS Site-to-Site VPN connection over the private VIF to the VPCs in the other two Regions.
- H. Create a public VIF
- I. Establish an AWS Site-to-Site VPN connection over the public VIF to the VPCs in the other two Regions.
- J. Use VPC peering to establish a connection between the VPCs across the Region
- K. Create a private VIF with the existing Direct Connect connection to connect to the peered VPCs.

**Answer: AE**

**Explanation:**

A Direct Connect gateway allows you to connect multiple VPCs across different Regions to a Direct Connect connection<sup>1</sup>. A public VIF allows you to access AWS public services such as EC2<sup>1</sup>. A Site-to-Site VPN connection over the public VIF provides encryption and redundancy for the traffic between the on-premises data center and the VPCs<sup>2</sup>. This solution is cheaper than setting up additional Direct Connect connections or using a private VIF with VPC peering.

**NEW QUESTION 64**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company uses AWS Organizations for a multi-account setup in the AWS Cloud. The company's finance team has a data processing application that uses AWS Lambda and Amazon DynamoDB. The company's marketing team wants to access the data that is stored in the DynamoDB table.

The DynamoDB table contains confidential data. The marketing team can have access to only specific attributes of data in the DynamoDB table. The finance team and the marketing team have separate AWS accounts.

What should a solutions architect do to provide the marketing team with the appropriate access to the DynamoDB table?

- A. Create an SCP to grant the marketing team's AWS account access to the specific attributes of the DynamoDB table
- B. Attach the SCP to the OU of the finance team.
- C. Create an IAM role in the finance team's account by using IAM policy conditions for specific DynamoDB attributes (fine-grained access control). Establish trust with the marketing team's account
- D. In the marketing team's account, create an IAM role that has permissions to assume the IAM role in the finance team's account.
- E. Create a resource-based IAM policy that includes conditions for specific DynamoDB attributes (fine-grained access control). Attach the policy to the DynamoDB table
- F. In the marketing team's account, create an IAM role that has permissions to access the DynamoDB table in the finance team's account.
- G. Create an IAM role in the finance team's account to access the DynamoDB table
- H. Use an IAM permissions boundary to limit the access to the specific attribute
- I. In the marketing team's account, create an IAM role that has permissions to assume the IAM role in the finance team's account.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

The company should create a resource-based IAM policy that includes conditions for specific DynamoDB attributes (fine-grained access control). The company should attach the policy to the DynamoDB table. In the marketing team's account, the company should create an IAM role that has permissions to access the DynamoDB table in the finance team's account. This solution will meet the requirements because a resource-based IAM policy is a policy that you attach to an AWS resource (such as a DynamoDB table) to control who can access that resource and what actions they can perform on it. You can use IAM policy conditions to specify fine-grained access control for DynamoDB items and attributes. For example, you can allow or deny access to specific attributes of all items in a table by matching on attribute names<sup>1</sup>. By creating a resource-based policy that allows access to only specific attributes of the DynamoDB table and attaching it to the table, the company can restrict access to confidential data. By creating an IAM role in the marketing team's account that has permissions to access the DynamoDB table in the finance team's account, the company can enable cross-account access. The other options are not correct because:

- Creating an SCP to grant the marketing team's AWS account access to the specific attributes of the DynamoDB table would not work because SCPs are policies that you can use with AWS Organizations to manage permissions in your organization's accounts. SCPs do not grant permissions; instead, they specify the maximum permissions that identities in an account can have<sup>2</sup>. SCPs cannot be used to specify fine-grained access control for DynamoDB items and attributes.
- Creating an IAM role in the finance team's account by using IAM policy conditions for specific DynamoDB attributes and establishing trust with the marketing team's account would not work because IAM roles are identities that you can create in your account that have specific permissions. You can use an IAM role to delegate access to users, applications, or services that don't normally have access to your AWS resources<sup>3</sup>. However, creating an IAM role in the finance team's account would not restrict access to specific attributes of the DynamoDB table; it would only allow cross-account access. The company would still need a resource-based policy attached to the table to enforce fine-grained access control.
- Creating an IAM role in the finance team's account to access the DynamoDB table and using an IAM permissions boundary to limit the access to the specific attributes would not work because IAM permissions boundaries are policies that you use to delegate permissions management to other users. You can use permissions boundaries to limit the maximum permissions that an identity-based policy can grant to an IAM entity (user or role)<sup>4</sup>. Permissions boundaries cannot be used to specify fine-grained access control for DynamoDB items and attributes.

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**NEW QUESTION 69**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company wants to containerize a multi-tier web application and move the application from an on-premises data center to AWS. The application includes web, application, and database tiers. The company needs to make the application fault tolerant and scalable. Some frequently accessed data must always be available across application servers. Frontend web servers need session persistence and must scale to meet increases in traffic.

Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST ongoing operational overhead?

- A. Run the application on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) on AWS Fargate
- B. Use Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) for data that is frequently accessed between the web and application tier
- C. Store the frontend web server session data in Amazon Simple Queue Service (Amazon SQS).
- D. Run the application on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) on Amazon EC2. Use Amazon ElastiCache for Redis to cache frontend web server session data
- E. Use Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) with Multi-Attach on EC2 instances that are distributed across multiple Availability Zones.
- F. Run the application on Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS). Configure Amazon EKS to use managed node group
- G. Use ReplicaSets to run the web servers and application
- H. Create an Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) filesystem
- I. Mount the EFS file system across all EKS pods to store frontend web server session data.
- J. Deploy the application on Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS). Configure Amazon EKS to use managed node group
- K. Run the web servers and application as Kubernetes deployments in the EKS cluster
- L. Store the frontend web server session data in an Amazon DynamoDB table
- M. Create an Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) volume that all applications will mount at the time of deployment.

**Answer: D**



**Explanation:**

Deploying the application on Amazon EKS with managed node groups simplifies the operational overhead of managing the Kubernetes cluster. Running the web servers and application as Kubernetes deployments ensures that the desired number of pods are always running and can scale up or down as needed. Storing the frontend web server session data in an Amazon DynamoDB table provides a fast, scalable, and durable storage option that can be accessed across multiple Availability Zones. Creating an Amazon EFS volume that all applications will mount at the time of deployment allows the application to share data that is frequently accessed between the web and application tiers. References:

- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/managed-node-groups.html>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/deployments.html>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amazondynamodb/latest/developerguide/Introduction.html>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/efs/latest/ug/mounting-fs.html>

**NEW QUESTION 72**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company provides auction services for artwork and has users across North America and Europe. The company hosts its application in Amazon EC2 instances in the us-east-1 Region. Artists upload photos of their work as large-size, high-resolution image files from their mobile phones to a centralized Amazon S3 bucket created in the us-east-1 Region. The users in Europe are reporting slow performance for their Image uploads.

How can a solutions architect improve the performance of the image upload process?

- A. Redeploy the application to use S3 multipart uploads.
- B. Create an Amazon CloudFront distribution and point to the application as a custom origin
- C. Configure the buckets to use S3 Transfer Acceleration.
- D. Create an Auto Scaling group for the EC2 instances and create a scaling policy.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

Transfer acceleration. S3 Transfer Acceleration utilizes the Amazon CloudFront global network of edge locations to accelerate the transfer of data to and from S3 buckets. By enabling S3 Transfer Acceleration on the centralized S3 bucket, the users in Europe will experience faster uploads as their data will be routed through the closest CloudFront edge location.

**NEW QUESTION 77**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company processes environment data. The has a set up sensors to provide a continuous stream of data from different areas in a city. The data is available in JSON format.

The company wants to use an AWS solution to send the data to a database that does not require fixed schemas for storage. The data must be send in real time. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use Amazon Kinesis Data Firehouse to send the data to Amazon Redshift.
- B. Use Amazon Kinesis Data streams to send the data to Amazon DynamoDB.
- C. Use Amazon Managed Streaming for Apache Kafka (Amazon MSK) to send the data to Amazon Aurora.
- D. Use Amazon Kinesis Data firehouse to send the data to Amazon Keyspaces (for Apache Cassandra).

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

Amazon Kinesis Data Streams is a service that enables real-time data ingestion and processing. Amazon DynamoDB is a NoSQL database that does not require fixed schemas for storage. By using Kinesis Data Streams and DynamoDB, the company can send the JSON data to a database that can handle schemaless data in real time. References:

- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/streams/latest/dev/introduction.html>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amazondynamodb/latest/developerguide/Introduction.html>

**NEW QUESTION 78**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company's solutions architect is analyzing costs of a multi-application environment. The environment is deployed across multiple Availability Zones in a single AWS Region. After a recent acquisition, the company manages two organizations in AWS Organizations. The company has created multiple service provider applications as AWS PrivateLink-powered VPC endpoint services in one organization. The company has created multiple service consumer applications in the other organization.

Data transfer charges are much higher than the company expected, and the solutions architect needs to reduce the costs. The solutions architect must recommend guidelines for developers to follow when they deploy services. These guidelines must minimize data transfer charges for the whole environment.

Which guidelines meet these requirements? (Select TWO.)

- A. Use AWS Resource Access Manager to share the subnets that host the service provider applications with other accounts in the organization.
- B. Place the service provider applications and the service consumer applications in AWS accounts in the same organization.
- C. Turn off cross-zone load balancing for the Network Load Balancer in all service provider application deployments.
- D. Ensure that service consumer compute resources use the Availability Zone-specific endpoint service by using the endpoint's local DNS name.
- E. Create a Savings Plan that provides adequate coverage for the organization's planned inter-Availability Zone data transfer usage.

**Answer: CD**

**Explanation:**

Cross-zone load balancing enables traffic to be distributed evenly across all registered instances in all enabled Availability Zones. However, this also increases data transfer charges between Availability Zones. By turning off cross-zone load balancing, the service provider applications can reduce inter-Availability Zone data transfer costs. Similarly, by using the Availability Zone-specific endpoint service, the service consumer applications can ensure that they connect to the nearest service provider application in the same Availability Zone, avoiding cross-Availability Zone data transfer charges. References:

- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/userguide/vpce-interface.html#vpce-interface-dns>

**NEW QUESTION 82**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company wants to use a third-party software-as-a-service (SaaS) application. The third-party SaaS application is consumed through several API calls. The third-party SaaS application also runs on AWS inside a VPC.

The company will consume the third-party SaaS application from inside a VPC. The company has internal security policies that mandate the use of private connectivity that does not traverse the internet. No resources that run in the company VPC are allowed to be accessed from outside the company's VPC. All permissions must conform to the principles of least privilege.

Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Create an AWS PrivateLink interface VPC endpoint
- B. Connect this endpoint to the endpoint service that the third-party SaaS application provide
- C. Create a security group to limit the access to the endpoint
- D. Associate the security group with the endpoint.
- E. Create an AWS Site-to-Site VPN connection between the third-party SaaS application and the company VP
- F. Configure network ACLs to limit access across the VPN tunnels.
- G. Create a VPC peering connection between the third-party SaaS application and the company VPCUpdate route tables by adding the needed routes for the peering connection.
- H. Create an AWS PrivateLink endpoint servic
- I. Ask the third-party SaaS provider to create an interface VPC endpoint for this endpoint servic
- J. Grant permissions for the endpoint service to the specific account of the third-party SaaS provider.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

Reference architecture - <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/privatelink/privatelink-access-saas.html> Note from documentation that Interface Endpoint is at client side

**NEW QUESTION 87**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company is running an event ticketing platform on AWS and wants to optimize the platform's cost-effectiveness. The platform is deployed on Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS) with Amazon EC2 and is backed by an Amazon RDS for MySQL DB instance. The company is developing new application features to run on Amazon EKS with AWS Fargate.

The platform experiences infrequent high peaks in demand. The surges in demand depend on event dates. Which solution will provide the MOST cost-effective setup for the platform?

- A. Purchase Standard Reserved Instances for the EC2 instances that the EKS cluster uses in its baseline loa
- B. Scale the cluster with Spot Instances to handle peak
- C. Purchase 1-year All Upfront Reserved Instances for the database to meet predicted peak load for the year.
- D. Purchase Compute Savings Plans for the predicted medium load of the EKS cluste
- E. Scale the cluster with On-Demand Capacity Reservations based on event dates for peak
- F. Purchase 1-year No Upfront Reserved Instances for the database to meet the predicted base loa
- G. Temporarily scale out database read replicas during peaks.
- H. Purchase EC2 Instance Savings Plans for the predicted base load of the EKS cluste
- I. Scale the cluster with Spot Instances to handle peak
- J. Purchase 1-year All Upfront Reserved Instances for the database to meet the predicted base loa
- K. Temporarily scale up the DB instance manually during peaks.
- L. Purchase Compute Savings Plans for the predicted base load of the EKS cluste
- M. Scale the cluster with Spot Instances to handle peak
- N. Purchase 1-year All Upfront Reserved Instances for the database to meet the predicted base loa
- O. Temporarily scale up the DB instance manually during peaks.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

They all mention using spot instances and EKS based on EC2. A spot instance is not appropriate for a production server and the company is developing new application designed for AWS Fargate, which means we must plan the future cost improvement including AWS Fargate.

<https://aws.amazon.com/savingsplans/compute-pricing/>

**NEW QUESTION 91**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company is developing a new serverless API by using Amazon API Gateway and AWS Lambda. The company integrated the Lambda functions with API Gateway to use several shared libraries and custom classes.

A solutions architect needs to simplify the deployment of the solution and optimize for code reuse. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Deploy the shared libraries and custom classes into a Docker imag
- B. Store the image in an S3 bucket.Create a Lambda layer that uses the Docker image as the sourc
- C. Deploy the API's Lambda functions as Zip package
- D. Configure the packages to use the Lambda layer.
- E. Deploy the shared libraries and custom classes to a Docker imag
- F. Upload the image to Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR). Create a Lambda layer that uses the Docker image as the sourc
- G. Deploy the API's Lambda functions as Zip package
- H. Configure the packages to use the Lambda layer.
- I. Deploy the shared libraries and custom classes to a Docker container in Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) by using the AWS Fargate launch typ
- J. Deploy the API's Lambda functions as Zip package
- K. Configure the packages to use the deployed container as a Lambda layer.
- L. Deploy the shared libraries, custom classes, and code for the API's Lambda functions to a Docker imag
- M. Upload the image to Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR). Configure the API's Lambda functions to use the Docker image as the deployment package.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

Deploying the shared libraries and custom classes to a Docker image and uploading the image to Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR) and creating a Lambda layer that uses the Docker image as the source. Then, deploying the API's Lambda functions as Zip packages and configuring the packages to use the Lambda layer would meet the requirements for simplifying the deployment and optimizing for code reuse.

A Lambda layer is a distribution mechanism for libraries, custom runtimes, and other function dependencies. It allows you to manage your in-development function code separately from your dependencies, this way you can easily update your dependencies without having to update your entire function code.

By deploying the shared libraries and custom classes to a Docker image and uploading the image to Amazon Elastic Container Registry (ECR), it makes it easy to manage and version the dependencies. This way, the company can use the same version of the dependencies across different Lambda functions.

By creating a Lambda layer that uses the Docker image as the source, the company can configure the API's Lambda functions to use the layer, reducing the need to include the dependencies in each function package, and making it easy to update the dependencies across all functions at once.

Reference:

AWS Lambda Layers documentation: <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/lambda/latest/dg/configuration-layers.html>

AWS Elastic Container Registry (ECR) documentation: <https://aws.amazon.com/ecr/> Building Lambda Layers with Docker documentation:

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/compute/building-lambda-layers-with-docker/>

**NEW QUESTION 94**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A solutions architect needs to advise a company on how to migrate its on-premises data processing application to the AWS Cloud. Currently, users upload input files through a web portal. The web server then stores the uploaded files on NAS and messages the processing server over a message queue. Each media file can take up to 1 hour to process. The company has determined that the number of media files awaiting processing is significantly higher during business hours, with the number of files rapidly declining after business hours.

What is the MOST cost-effective migration recommendation?

- A. Create a queue using Amazon SQ
- B. Configure the existing web server to publish to the new queue. When there are messages in the queue, invoke an AWS Lambda function to pull requests from the queue and process the file
- C. Store the processed files in an Amazon S3 bucket.
- D. Create a queue using Amazon
- E. Configure the existing web server to publish to the new queue
- F. When there are messages in the queue, create a new Amazon EC2 instance to pull requests from the queue and process the file
- G. Store the processed files in Amazon EF
- H. Shut down the EC2 instance after the task is complete.
- I. Create a queue using Amazon M
- J. Configure the existing web server to publish to the new queue. When there are messages in the queue, invoke an AWS Lambda function to pull requests from the queue and process the file
- K. Store the processed files in Amazon EFS.
- L. Create a queue using Amazon SO
- M. Configure the existing web server to publish to the new queue
- N. Use Amazon EC2 instances in an EC2 Auto Scaling group to pull requests from the queue and process the file
- O. Scale the EC2 instances based on the SQS queue length
- P. Store the processed files in an Amazon S3 bucket.

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/compute/operating-lambda-performance-optimization-part-1/>

**NEW QUESTION 95**

- (Exam Topic 1)

An international delivery company hosts a delivery management system on AWS. Drivers use the system to upload confirmation of delivery. Confirmation includes the recipient's signature or a photo of the package with the recipient. The driver's handheld device uploads signatures and photos through FTP to a single Amazon EC2 instance. Each handheld device saves a file in a directory based on the signed-in user, and the file name matches the delivery number. The EC2 instance then adds metadata to the file after querying a central database to pull delivery information. The file is then placed in Amazon S3 for archiving.

As the company expands, drivers report that the system is rejecting connections. The FTP server is having problems because of dropped connections and memory issues. In response to these problems, a system engineer schedules a cron task to reboot the EC2 instance every 30 minutes. The billing team reports that files are not always in the archive and that the central system is not always updated.

A solutions architect needs to design a solution that maximizes scalability to ensure that the archive always receives the files and that systems are always updated. The handheld devices cannot be modified, so the company cannot deploy a new application.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Create an AMI of the existing EC2 instance
- B. Create an Auto Scaling group of EC2 instances behind an Application Load Balance
- C. Configure the Auto Scaling group to have a minimum of three instances.
- D. Use AWS Transfer Family to create an FTP server that places the files in Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS). Mount the EFS volume to the existing EC2 instance
- E. Point the EC2 instance to the new path for file processing.
- F. Use AWS Transfer Family to create an FTP server that places the files in Amazon S3. Use an S3 event notification through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) to invoke an AWS Lambda function
- G. Configure the Lambda function to add the metadata and update the delivery system.
- H. Update the handheld devices to place the files directly in Amazon S3. Use an S3 event notification through Amazon Simple Queue Service (Amazon SQS) to invoke an AWS Lambda function
- I. Configure the Lambda function to add the metadata and update the delivery system.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

Using AWS Transfer Family to create an FTP server that places the files in Amazon S3 and using S3 event notifications through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) to invoke an AWS Lambda function will ensure that the archive always receives the files and that the central system is always updated. This solution maximizes scalability and eliminates the need for manual intervention, such as rebooting the EC2 instance.



**NEW QUESTION 97**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company has 10 accounts that are part of an organization in AWS Organizations. AWS Config is configured in each account. All accounts belong to either the Prod OU or the NonProd OU.

The company has set up an Amazon EventBridge rule in each AWS account to notify an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic when an Amazon EC2 security group inbound rule is created with 0.0.0.0/0 as the source. The company's security team is subscribed to the SNS topic.

For all accounts in the NonProd OU, the security team needs to remove the ability to create a security group inbound rule that includes 0.0.0.0/0 as the source. Which solution will meet this requirement with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Modify the EventBridge rule to invoke an AWS Lambda function to remove the security group inbound rule and to publish to the SNS topic. Deploy the updated rule to the NonProd OU.
- B. Add the vpc-sg-open-only-to-authorized-ports AWS Config managed rule to the NonProd OU.
- C. Configure an SCP to allow the ec2:AuthorizeSecurityGroupIngress action when the value of the aws:SourceIp condition key is not 0.0.0.0/0. Apply the SCP to the NonProd OU.
- D. Configure an SCP to deny the ec2:AuthorizeSecurityGroupIngress action when the value of the aws:SourceIp condition key is 0.0.0.0/0. Apply the SCP to the NonProd OU.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

This solution will meet the requirement with the least operational overhead because it directly denies the creation of the security group inbound rule with 0.0.0.0/0 as the source, which is the exact requirement. Additionally, it does not require any additional steps or resources such as invoking a Lambda function or adding a Config rule.

An SCP (Service Control Policy) is a policy that you can use to set fine-grained permissions for your AWS accounts within your organization. You can use SCPs to set permissions for the root user of an account and to delegate permissions to IAM users and roles in the accounts. You can use SCPs to set permissions that allow or deny access to specific services, actions, and resources.

To implement this solution, you would need to create an SCP that denies the ec2:AuthorizeSecurityGroupIngress action when the value of the aws:SourceIp condition key is 0.0.0.0/0. This SCP would then be applied to the NonProd OU. This would ensure that any security group inbound rule that includes 0.0.0.0/0 as the source will be denied, thus meeting the requirement.

Reference: [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/userguide/orgs\\_manage\\_policies\\_scp.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/userguide/orgs_manage_policies_scp.html)

[https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access\\_policies\\_condition-keys.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access_policies_condition-keys.html)

**NEW QUESTION 101**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A software company hosts an application on AWS with resources in multiple AWS accounts and Regions. The application runs on a group of Amazon EC2 instances in an application VPC located in the us-east-1 Region with an IPv4 CIDR block of 10.10.0.0/16. In a different AWS account, a shared services VPC is located in the us-east-2 Region with an IPv4 CIDR block of 10.10.10.0/24. When a cloud engineer uses AWS CloudFormation to attempt to peer the application VPC with the shared services VPC, an error message indicates a peering failure. Which factors could cause this error? (Choose two.)

- A. The IPv4 CIDR ranges of the two VPCs overlap.
- B. The VPCs are not in the same Region.
- C. One or both accounts do not have access to an Internet gateway.
- D. One of the VPCs was not shared through AWS Resource Access Manager.
- E. The IAM role in the peer acceptor account does not have the correct permissions.

**Answer:** AE

**Explanation:**

<https://aws.amazon.com/about-aws/whats-new/2017/11/announcing-support-for-inter-region-vpc-peering/>

**NEW QUESTION 106**

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company has a serverless application comprised of Amazon CloudFront, Amazon API Gateway, and AWS Lambda functions. The current deployment process of the application code is to create a new version number of the Lambda function and run an AWS CLI script to update. If the new function version has errors, another CLI script reverts by deploying the previous working version of the function. The company would like to decrease the time to deploy new versions of the application logic provided by the Lambda functions, and also reduce the time to detect and revert when errors are identified.

How can this be accomplished?

- A. Create and deploy nested AWS CloudFormation stacks with the parent stack consisting of the AWS CloudFront distribution and API Gateway, and the child stack containing the Lambda function.
- B. For changes to Lambda, create an AWS CloudFormation change set and deploy; if errors are triggered, revert the AWS CloudFormation change set to the previous version.
- C. Use AWS SAM and built-in AWS CodeDeploy to deploy the new Lambda version, gradually shift traffic to the new version, and use pre-traffic and post-traffic test functions to verify code.
- D. Rollback if Amazon CloudWatch alarms are triggered.
- E. Refactor the AWS CLI scripts into a single script that deploys the new Lambda version.
- F. When deployment is completed, the script tests execution.
- G. If errors are detected, revert to the previous Lambda version.
- H. Create and deploy an AWS CloudFormation stack that consists of a new API Gateway endpoint that references the new Lambda version.
- I. Change the CloudFront origin to the new API Gateway endpoint, monitor errors and if detected, change the AWS CloudFront origin to the previous API Gateway endpoint.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

<https://aws.amazon.com/about-aws/whats-new/2017/11/aws-lambda-supports-traffic-shifting-and-phased-deploy>

**NEW QUESTION 110**

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