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This study guide demonstrates the lesson from *Understand AWS Regions and Availability Zones*.

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AWS Regions and Availability Zones Study Guide

In this lesson, we will explore the fundamental concepts of AWS regions and availability zones. Understanding these concepts is essential for designing highly available and scalable AWS architectures. Let's dive into the world of AWS's geographical and infrastructure layout.

Section 1: Introduction to AWS Regions

What Are AWS Regions?

- AWS regions are geographic areas where AWS has established data centers.
- Each region is identified by a name, such as North Virginia or California.
- Regions are distributed around the world, allowing customers to choose the most suitable region for their workloads.

Section 2: Key Region Characteristics

Dynamic Nature of Regions

- AWS regions are dynamic and may change over time.
- While existing regions may not go away, AWS continues to add new regions to expand its global presence.

Regional Service Availability

- Not all AWS services are available in every region.
- AWS often rolls out new services initially in one or a few regions before making them accessible in other regions.
- When selecting a region, consider the services offered and their pricing, as it may vary between regions.

Section 3: Introduction to Availability Zones

Understanding Availability Zones (AZs)

- Availability zones are isolated data centers or clusters of data centers within an AWS region.
- Each region is composed of multiple availability zones, typically starting with at least two.
- The primary purpose of availability zones is to enhance redundancy and fault tolerance within a region.

Section 4: Redundancy and High Availability

Redundancy Within Availability Zones

- Availability zones provide redundant infrastructure.
- Each availability zone has separate power grids, networking, and facilities, reducing the risk of simultaneous failures.

Building Highly Available Architectures

- AWS customers can design highly available architectures by distributing resources across multiple availability zones.
- For instance, applications can be load-balanced across EC2 instances in different availability zones, ensuring that an application remains available even if one availability zone experiences issues.

Section 5: Visualizing Regions and Availability Zones

Diagrams of AWS Regions and Availability Zones

- A visual representation of the AWS US East North Virginia region with six availability zones.
- Each availability zone contains one or more data centers with distinct infrastructure and resources.
- This architectural design minimizes the likelihood of widespread failures, improving the resilience of AWS services.

Lesson Review and Key Takeaways

- AWS regions are geographic areas where AWS has data centers, and they are dynamic, with new regions being added over time.
- Not all AWS services are available in all regions, and service pricing can vary between regions.
- Availability zones are isolated data centers within an AWS region, designed to enhance redundancy and fault tolerance.
- Distributing resources across multiple availability zones enables the creation of highly available and resilient AWS architectures.
- AWS's geographic layout and architectural design are critical for ensuring high availability and disaster recovery in the cloud.

See slides below:

Regions



- Simply a geographic area
- Regions are always being added
- May not provide all services
- Each region has different prices

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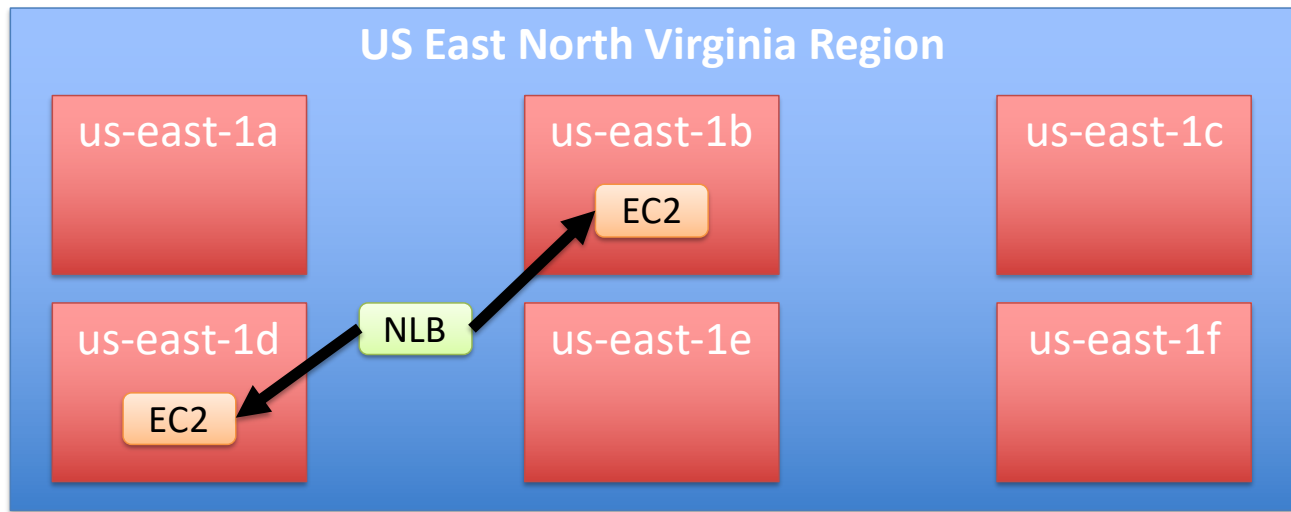
Availability Zones



- Datacenters or sets of datacenters within a region
- Two or more per region
- Built to provide redundancy within a region

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Availability Zones



Edge Locations



- Edge locations are spread across the globe
- Websites are delivered from the nearest edge location
- Improves performance
- Supports S3, EC2, ELB, Route53 and even on-premise
- Lambda@Edge

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