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# Research Computing on Amazon Web Services

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# Agenda

## Amazon Web Services Reference Model

1) **Compute:** Amazon EC2

**Storage:** Amazon EBS, S3 & Glacier

2) Public Datasets

3) **Managed Analytics:** Amazon Kinesis & EMR

4) Bring Your Own (HPC Tools)

# Reference Model

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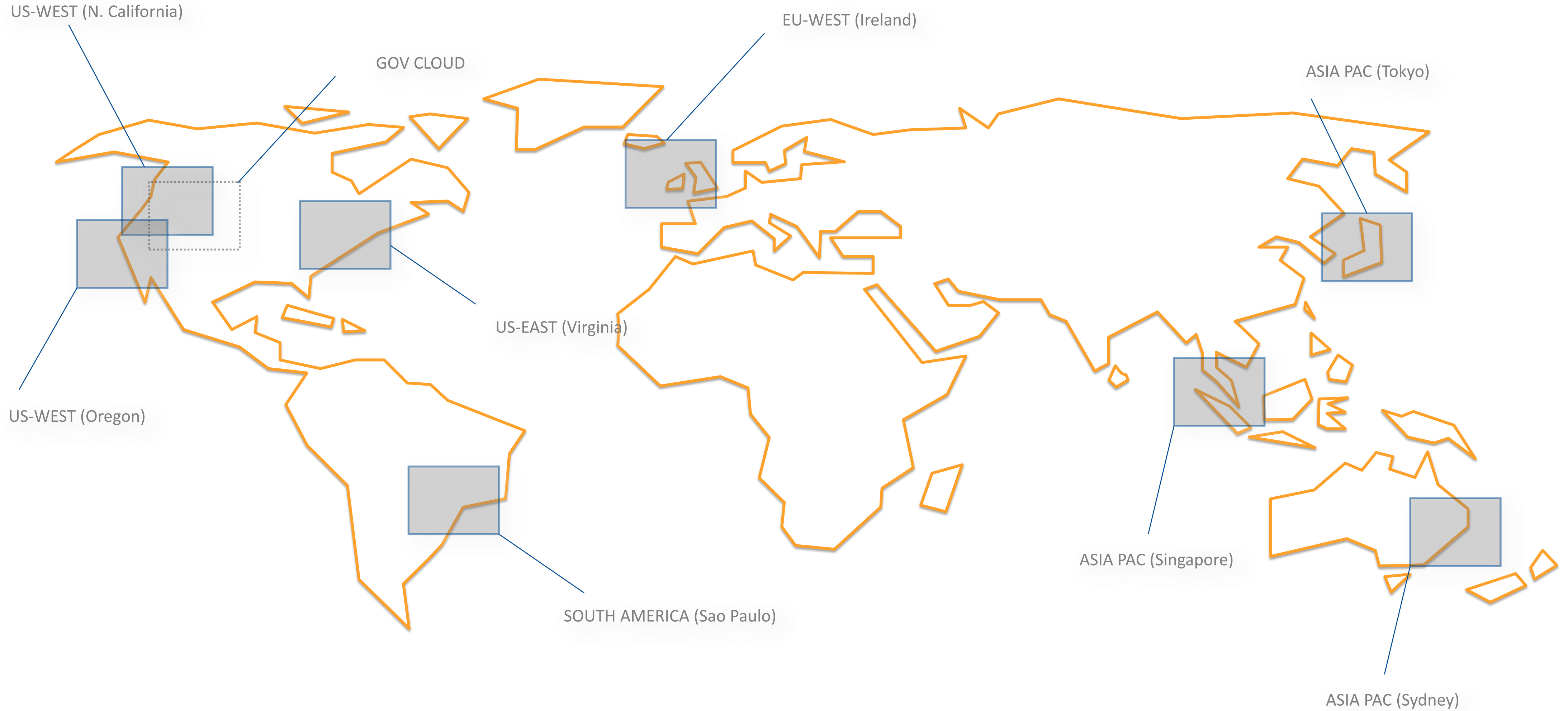
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# On a global footprint

Zones

■ Availability Zone

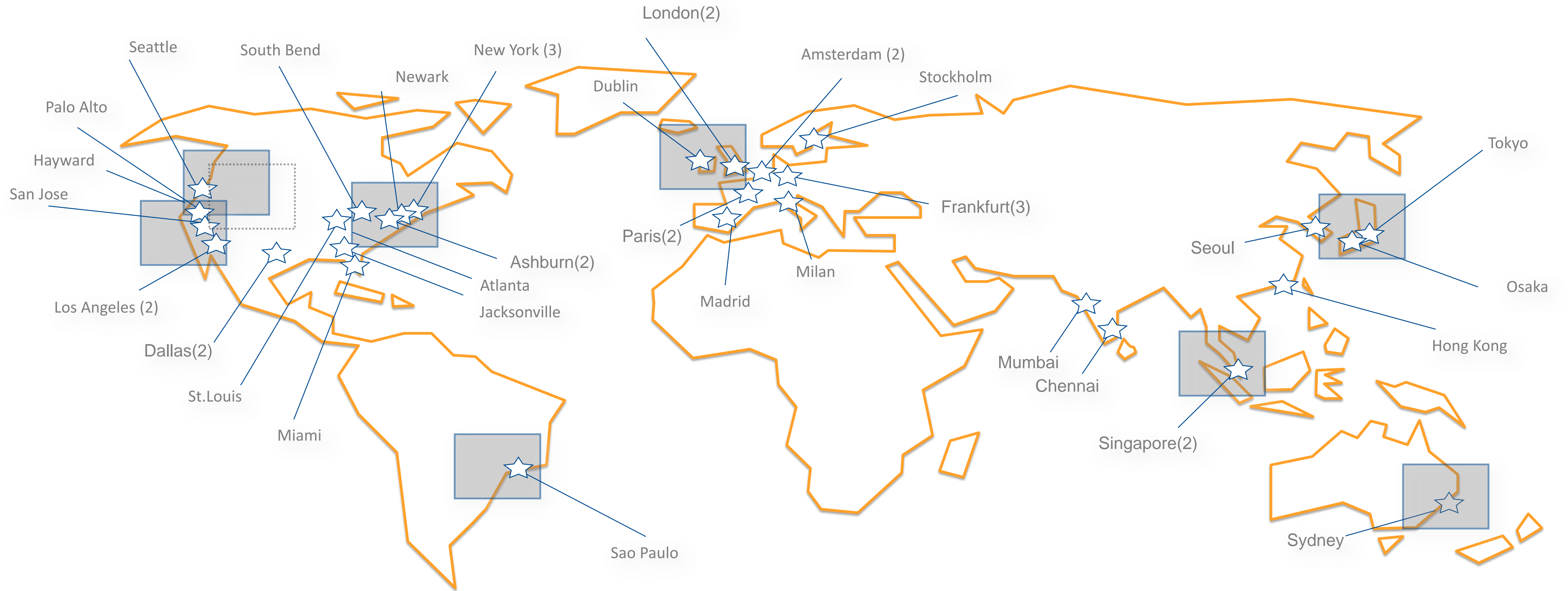


# On a global footprint

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Edge Locations



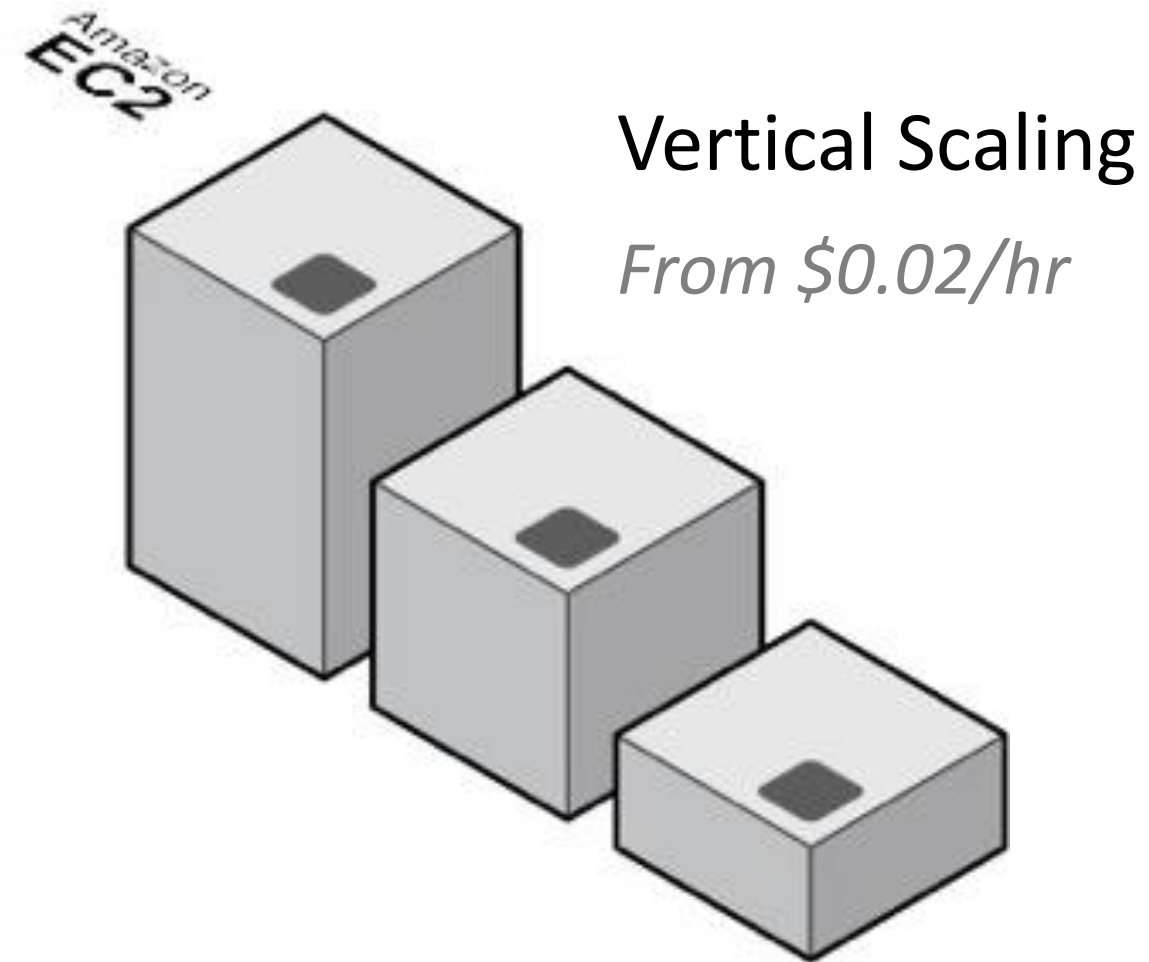


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# Compute



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## Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2)

*Basic unit of compute capacity*

*Range of CPU, memory & local disk options*

*23 Instance types available, from micro to cluster compute*

Feature	Details
<b>Flexible</b>	Run windows or Linux distributions
<b>Scalable</b>	Wide range of instance types from micro to cluster compute
<b>Machine Images</b>	Configurations can be saved as machine images (AMIs) from which new instances can be created
<b>Full control</b>	Full root or administrator rights
<b>Secure</b>	Full firewall control via Security Groups
<b>Monitoring</b>	Publishes metrics to Cloud Watch
<b>Inexpensive</b>	On-demand, Reserved and Spot instance types
<b>VM Import/Export</b>	Import and export VM images to transfer configurations in and out of EC2





```
as-create-auto-scaling-group MyGroup
--launch-configuration MyConfig
--availability-zones eu-west-1a
--min-size 4
--max-size 200
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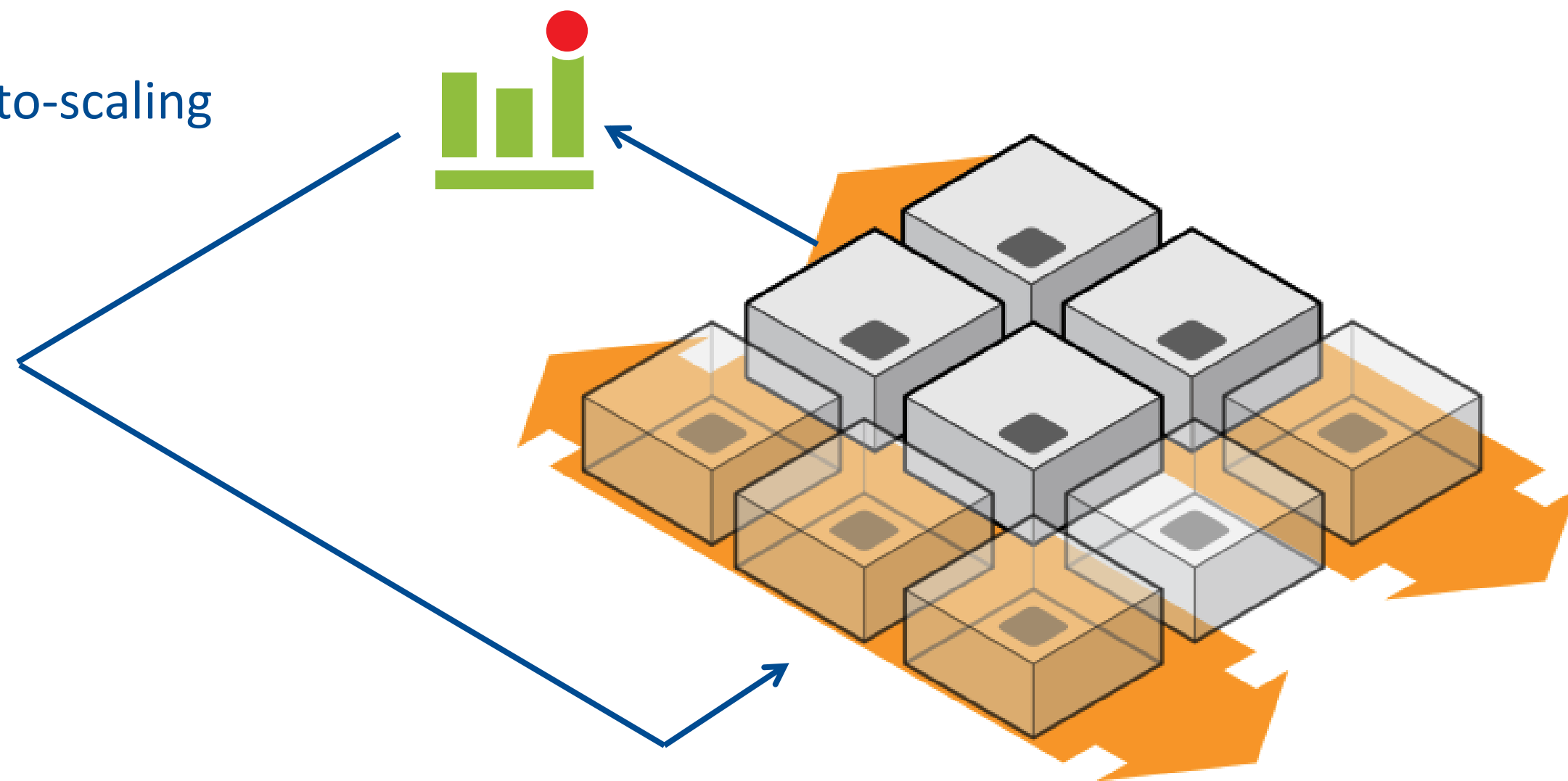
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## Auto-scaling

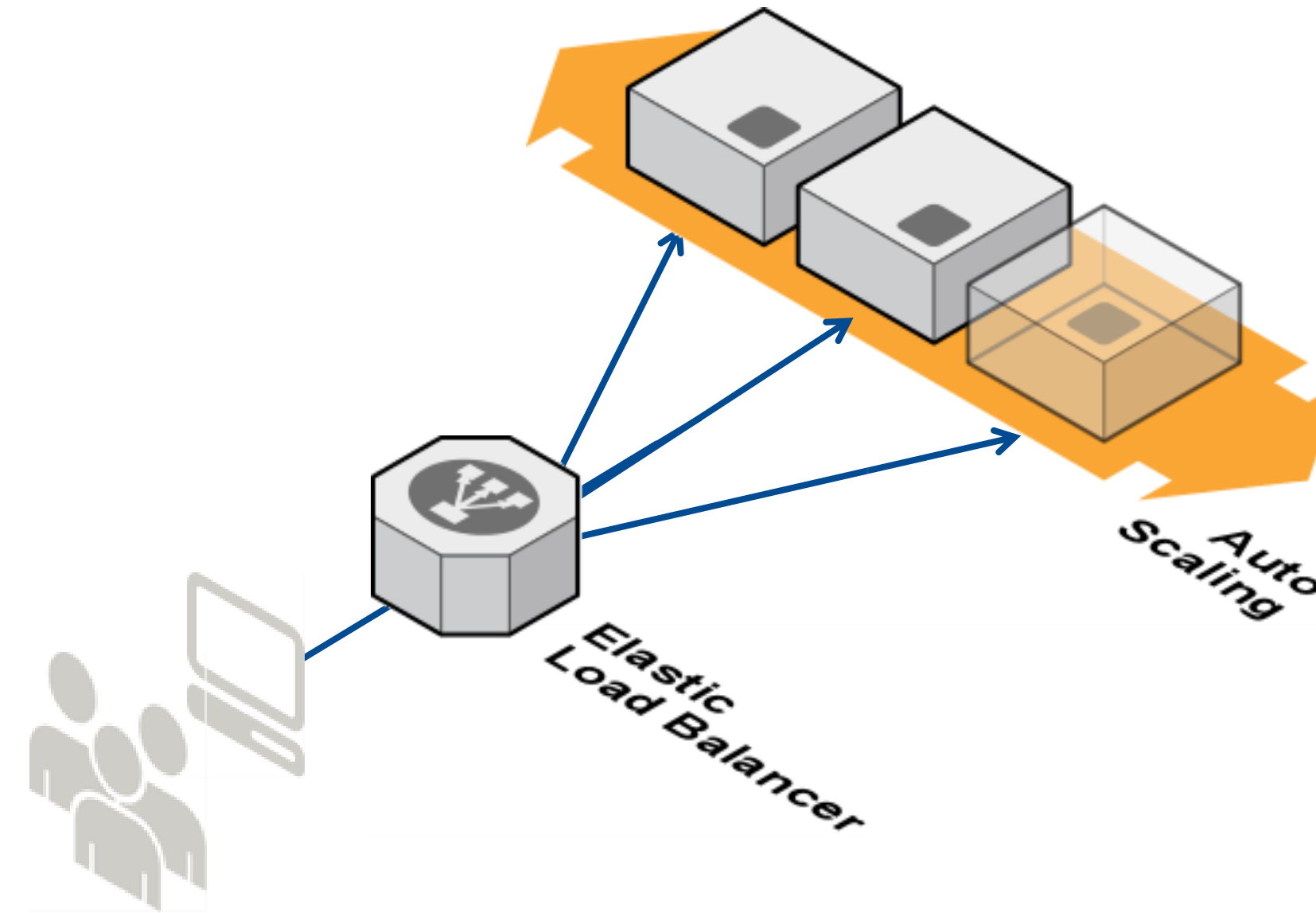
*Automatic re-sizing of compute clusters based upon demand*

Feature	Details
<b>Control</b>	Define minimum and maximum instance pool sizes and when scaling and cool down occurs
<b>Integrated to CloudWatch</b>	Use metrics gathered by CloudWatch to drive scaling
<b>Instance types</b>	Run auto scaling for on-demand instances and spot. Compatible with VPC

## Elastic Load Balancing

*Create highly scalable applications*

*Distribute load across EC2 instances in multiple availability zones*



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Feature	Details
<b>Auto-scaling</b>	Automatically scales to handle request volume
<b>Available</b>	Load balance across instances in multiple availability zones
<b>Health checks</b>	Automatically checks health of instances and takes them in or out of service
<b>Session stickiness</b>	Route requests to the same instance
<b>Secure sockets layer</b>	Supports SSL offload from web and application servers with flexible cipher support
<b>Monitoring</b>	Publishes metrics to Cloud Watch



# New C3 Instances

Instance Name	vCPU Count	Total ECU	RAM	Local Storage	Hourly On-Demand
c3.large	2	7	3.75 GiB	2 x 16 GB SSD	\$0.15
c3.xlarge	4	14	7 GiB	2 x 40 GB SSD	\$0.30
c3.2xlarge	8	28	15 GiB	2 x 80 GB SSD	\$0.60
c3.4xlarge	16	55	30 GiB	2 x 160 GB SSD	\$1.20
c3.8xlarge	32	108	60 GiB	2 x 320 GB SSD	\$2.40

2.8 GHz Intel Xeon E5-2680 (Ivy Bridge) processor.

# New I2 Instances (Coming Soon)

Instance Name	vCPU Count	RAM	Instance Storage (SSD)
i2.large	2	15 GiB	1 x 360 GB
i2.xlarge	4	30.5 GiB	1 x 720 GB
i2.2xlarge	8	61 GiB	2 x 720 GB
i2.4xlarge	16	122 GiB	4 x 720 GB
i2.8xlarge	32	244 GiB	8 x 720 GB

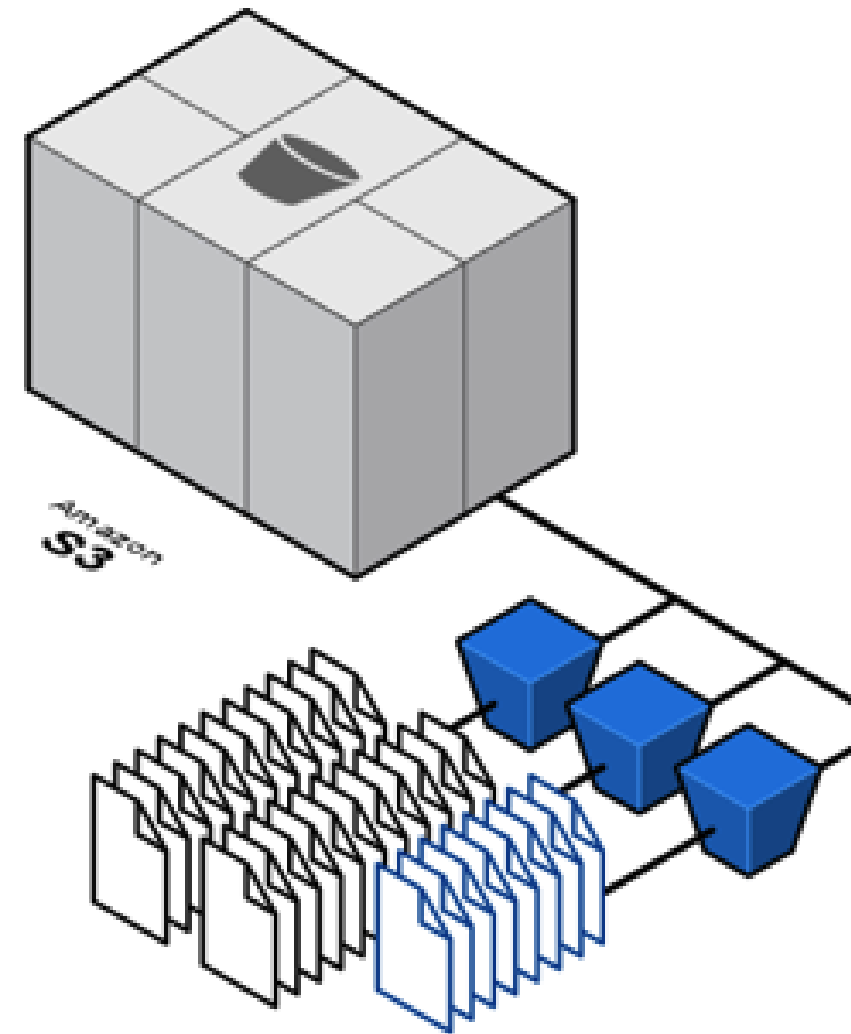
2.5 GHz intel Xeon E5-2670v2

**i2.8xlarge** instances will be able to deliver 350,000 random read IOPS and 320,000 random write IOPS.



# New G2 Instances

NVIDIA GRID™ (GK104 "Kepler") GPU (Graphics Processing Unit),  
1,536 CUDA cores and 4 GB of video (frame buffer) RAM.  
Intel Sandy Bridge processor running at 2.6 GHz with Turbo  
Boost enabled, 8 vCPUs (Virtual CPUs).  
15 GiB of RAM.  
60 GB of SSD storage.



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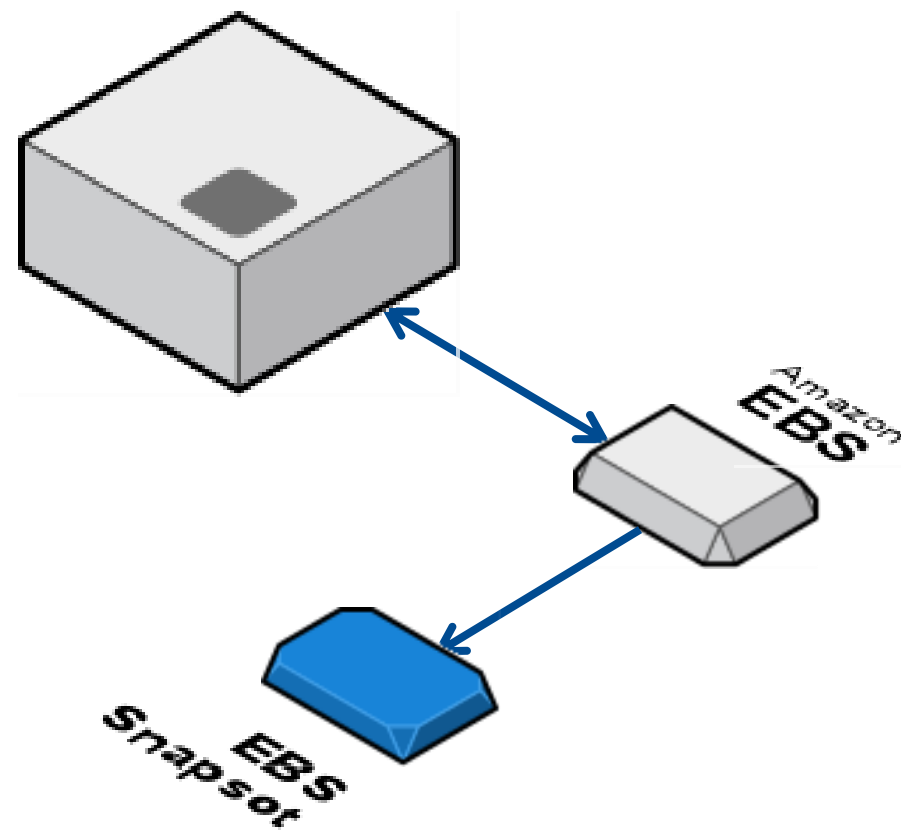
## S3 - Durable storage, any object

*99.999999999% durability of objects*

*Unlimited storage of objects of any type*

*Up to 5TB size per object*

Feature	Details
<b>Flexible object store</b>	Buckets act like drives, folder structures within
<b>Access control</b>	Granular control over object permissions
<b>Server-side encryption</b>	256bit AES encryption of objects
<b>Multi-part uploads</b>	Improved throughput & control
<b>Object versioning</b>	Archive old objects and version new ones
<b>Object expiry</b>	Automatically remove old objects
<b>Access logging</b>	Full audit log of bucket/object actions
<b>Web content hosting</b>	Serve content as web site with built in page handling
<b>Notifications</b>	Receive notifications on key events
<b>Import/Export</b>	Physical device import/export service



## Elastic Block Store

*High performance block storage device*

*1GB to 1TB in size*

*Mount as drives to instances*

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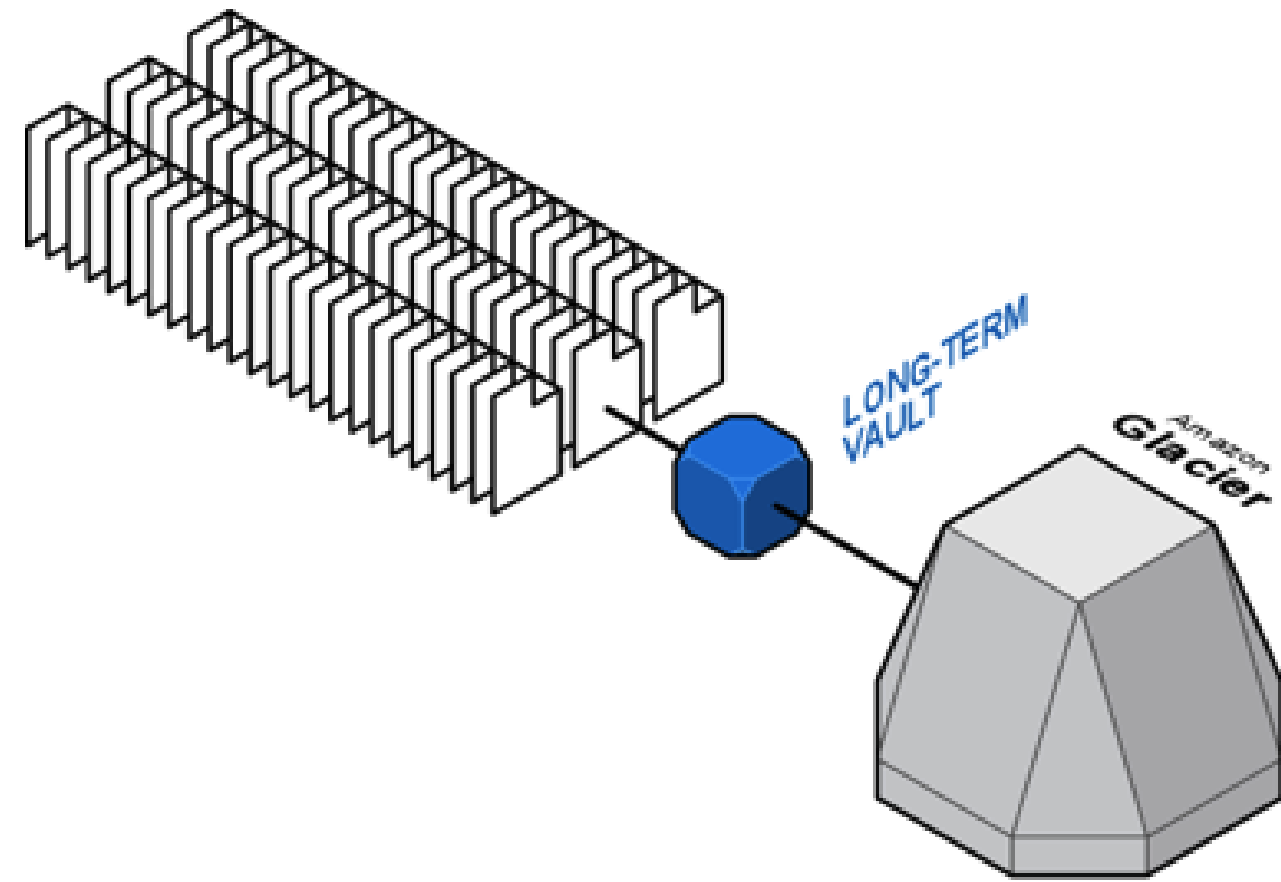
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Feature	Details
<b>High performance file system</b>	Mount EBS as drives and format as required
<b>Flexible size</b>	Volumes from 1GB to 1TB in size
<b>Secure</b>	Private to your instances
<b>Performance</b>	Use provisioned IOPS to get desired level of IO performance
<b>Available</b>	Replicated within an Availability Zone
<b>Backups</b>	Volumes can be snapshotted for point in time restore
<b>Monitoring</b>	Detailed metrics captured via Cloud Watch

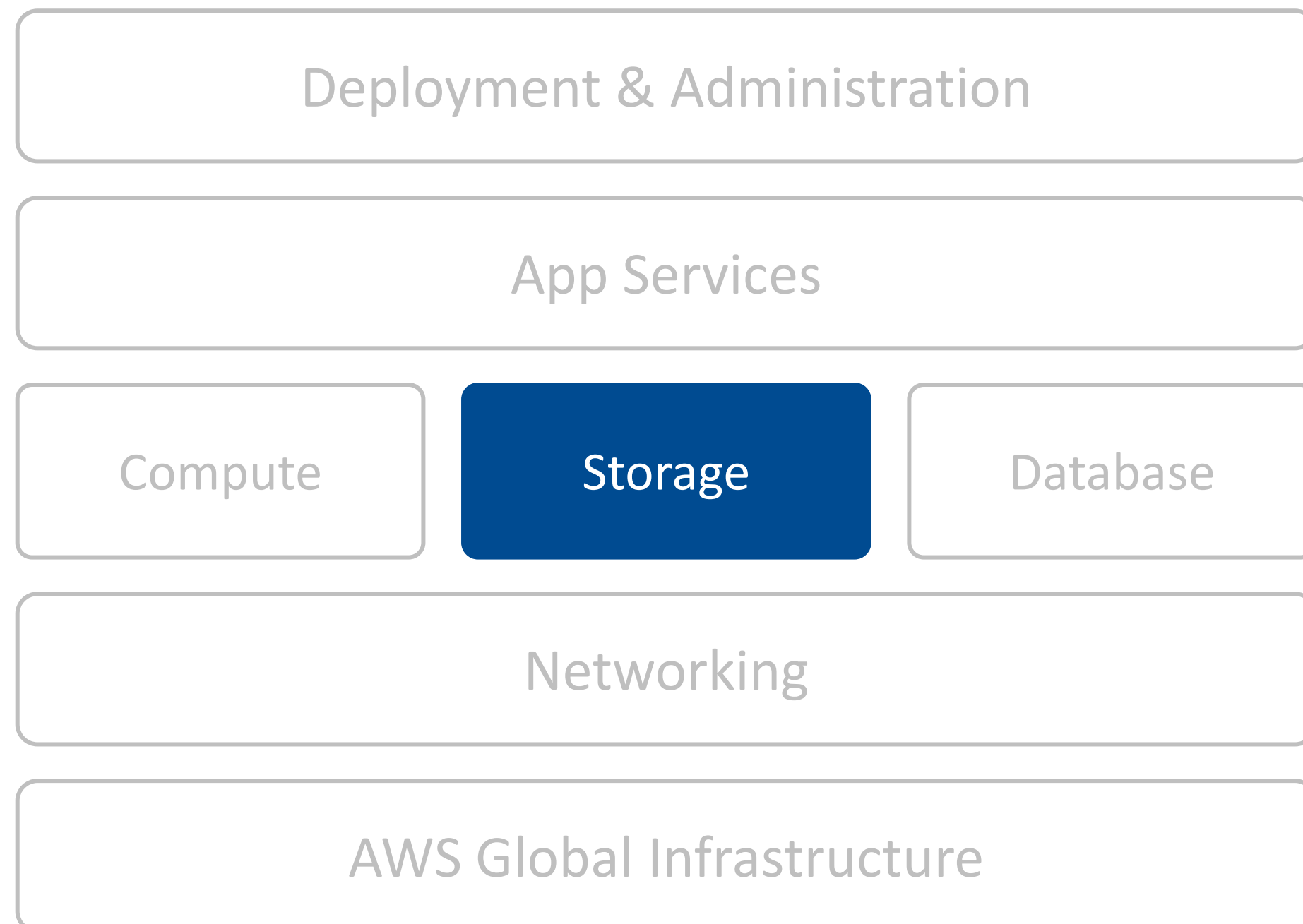


## Glacier

*Low-cost storage service*

*Secure and durable storage for backup and archive*

*For data that is infrequently accessed*



Feature	Details
<b>Low cost</b>	\$0.01/GB/month with no up-front capital commitments
<b>Durable</b>	Same 99.999999999% durability as S3
<b>Flexible</b>	Store any amount of data on-demand. Eliminate the need for capacity planning
<b>Secure</b>	Leverage AWS' robust security platform. Control access to your data.
<b>API</b>	REST-based API to send and receive data
<b>Import/Export</b>	Optionally use portable storage devices to import/export mass data
<b>Vault inventory</b>	Index for real-time view of the contents of the vault





# Public Datasets





# AWS Public Data Sets

- A centralized repository of public datasets
- Seamless integration with cloud based applications
- No charge to the community
- Some of the datasets available today:
  - 1000 Genomes Project
  - Human Microbiome Project
  - Ensembl
  - GenBank
  - Illumina – Jay Flateley Human Genome Dataset
  - YRI Trio Dataset
  - UniGene
  - Influenza Virus
  - PubChem
- **Tell us what else you'd like for us to host ...**

**1000 Genomes**

A Deep Catalog of Human Genetic Variation





# Managed Analytics





# Amazon Kinesis

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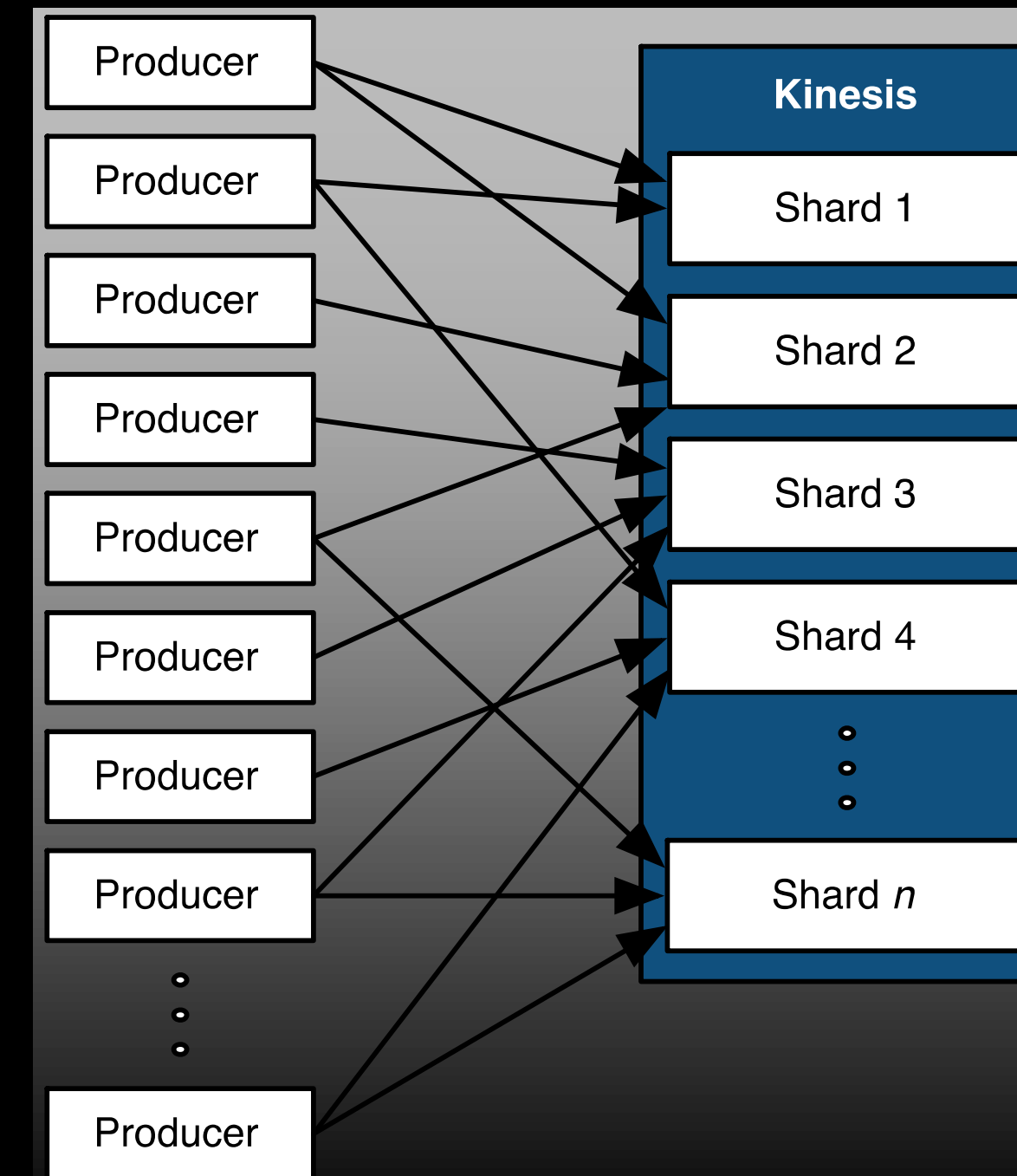
Currently in Limited Preview

Managed Service for Real-Time Processing of Big Data



# Putting data into Kinesis Managed Service for Ingesting Fast Moving Data

- **Streams are made of Shards**
  - A Kinesis Stream is composed of multiple **Shards**
  - Each Shard ingests up to 1MB/sec of data and up to 1000 TPS
  - All data is stored for 24 hours
  - You scale Kinesis streams by adding or removing Shards
- **Simple PUT interface to store data in Kinesis**
  - Producers use a **PUT** call to store data in a Stream
  - A **Partition Key** is used to distribute the PUTs across Shards
  - A unique **Sequence #** is returned to the Producer upon a successful PUT call



# Application Services

## Elastic MapReduce

*Managed, elastic Hadoop cluster*

*Integrates with S3 & DynamoDB*

*Leverage Hive & Pig analytics scripts*

*Integrates with instance types such as spot*

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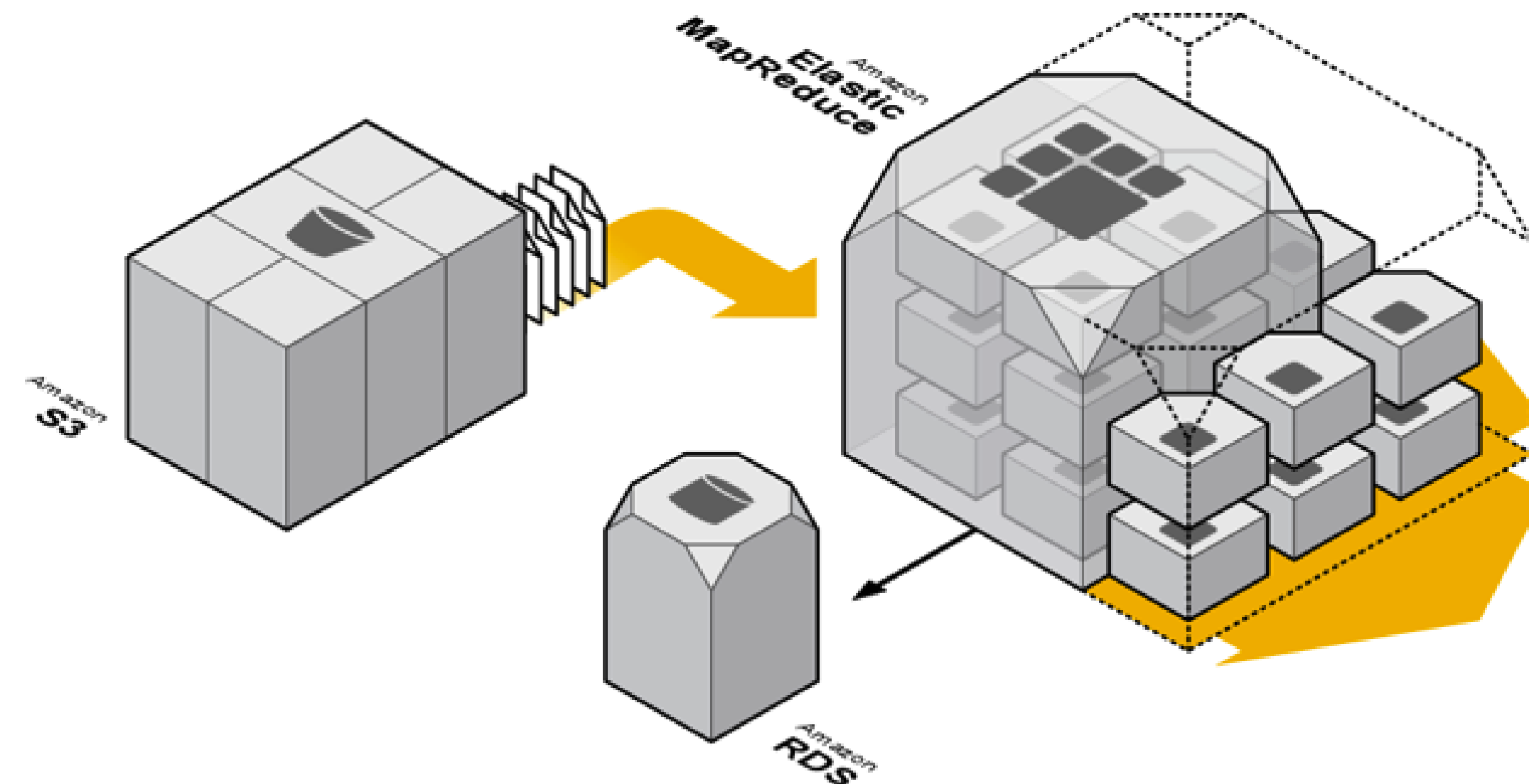
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Feature	Details
<b>Scalable</b>	Use as many or as few compute instances running Hadoop as you want. Modify the number of instances while your job flow is running
<b>Integrated with other services</b>	Works seamlessly with S3 as origin and output. Integrates with DynamoDB
<b>Comprehensive</b>	Supports languages such as Hive and Pig for defining analytics, and allows complex definitions in Cascading, Java, Ruby, Perl, Python, PHP, R, or C++
<b>Cost effective</b>	Works with Spot instance types
<b>Monitoring</b>	Monitor job flows from with the management console



# HPC Tools



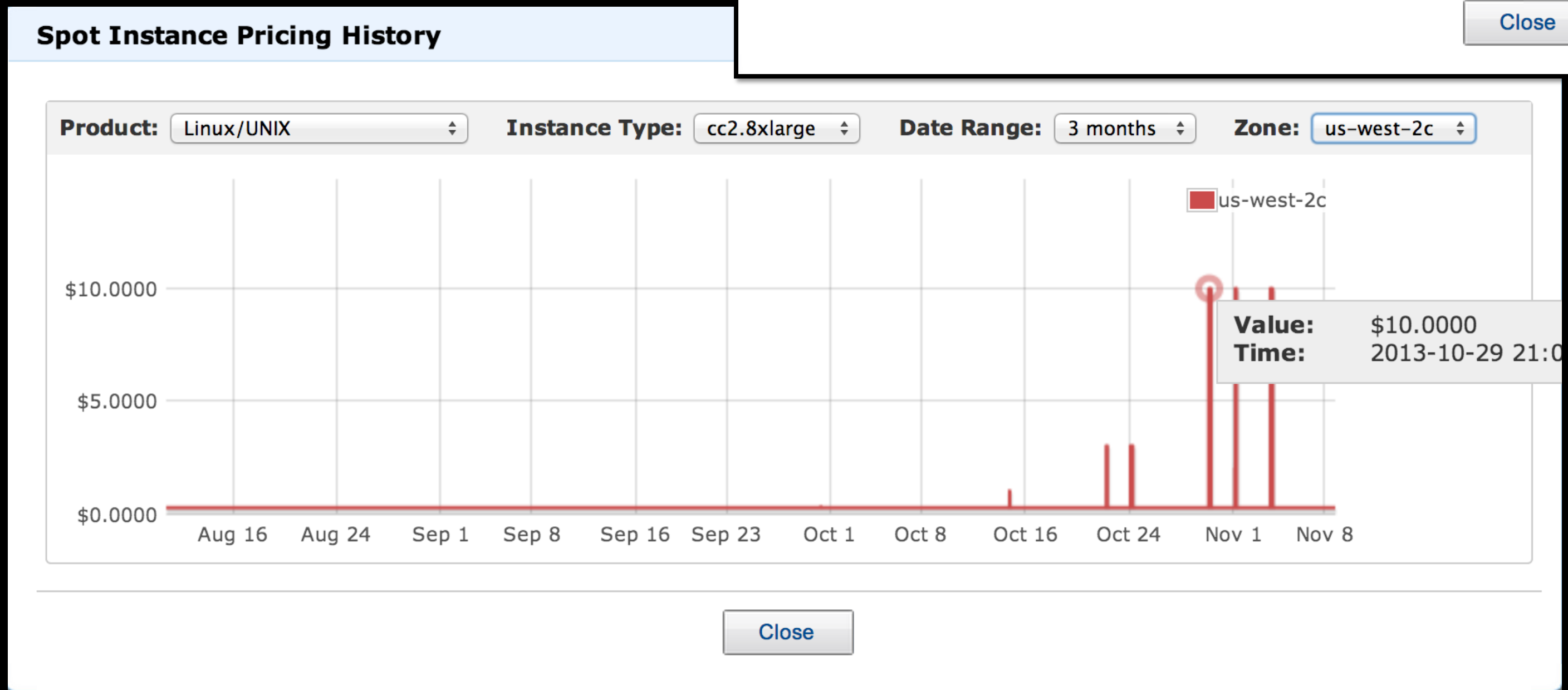
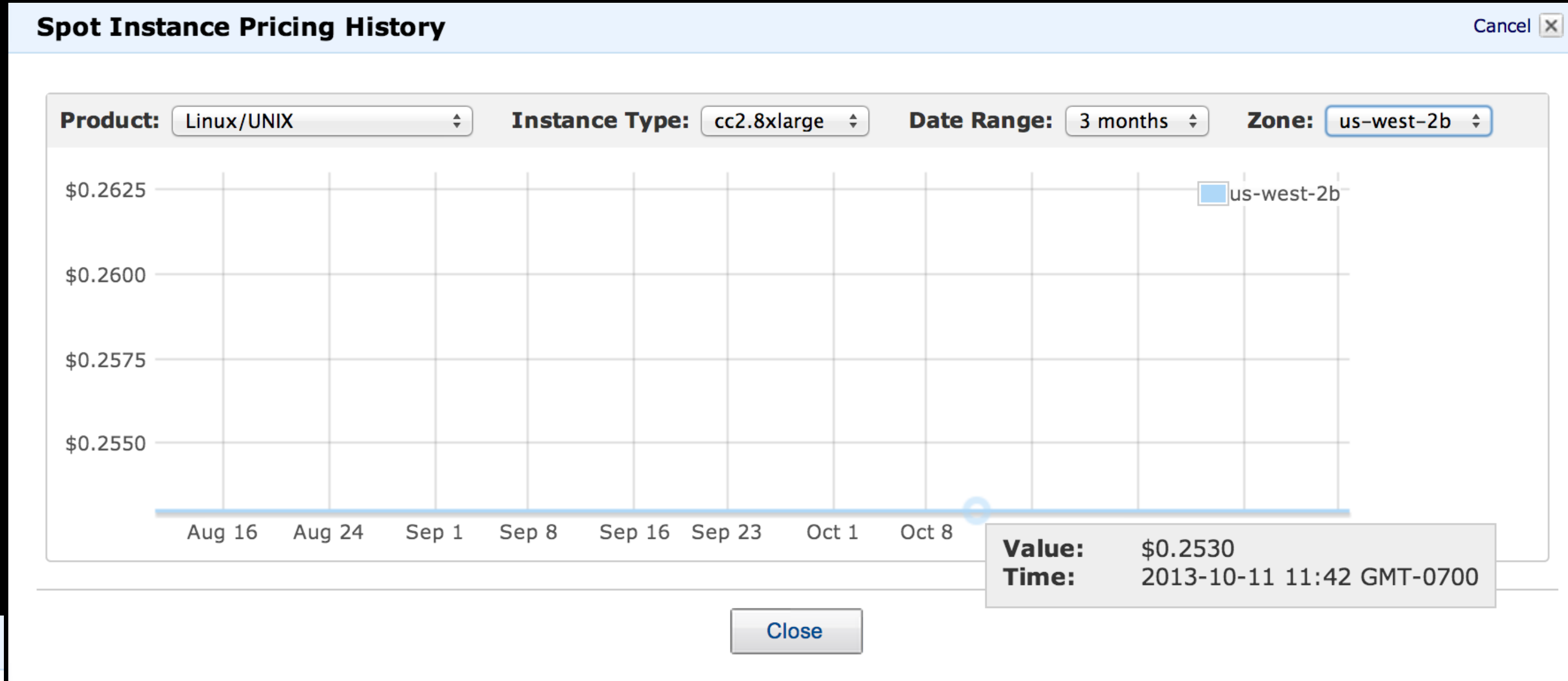


**“Supercomputing simulation employs  
156,000 Amazon processor cores  
To simulate 205,000 molecules as quickly  
as possible for a USC simulation, Cycle  
Computing fired up a mammoth amount of  
Amazon servers around the globe.”<sup>1</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> c|net news

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## Schedulers

- MIT Star Cluster
- Grid Engine
- HT Condor

## Filesystems on EBS / Local Storage

- Lustre
- OrangeFS
- Etc.

## Network

- 10 GbE full bisection bandwidth
- C3 “Enhanced Networking Capability”

```
$ sudo ethtool -i eth0
driver: ixgbevfw version: 2.11.3 firmware-version:
N/A
bus-info: 0000:00:03.0
supports-statistics: yes
supports-test: yes
supports-eeprom-access: no
supports-register-dump: yes
supports-priv-flags: no
```

The screenshot shows the AWS Marketplace search results for 'lustre'. The search bar at the top contains the word 'lustre' and a 'GO' button. Below the search bar, there are three search results, each featuring the Intel logo and a title: 'Intel® Cloud Edition for Lustre® Software - Community Version', 'Intel® Cloud Edition for Lustre® Software - Global Support', and 'Intel® Cloud Edition for Lustre® Software - Global Support (HVM)'. Each result includes a 'Version Proof of Concept | Sold by Intel' link, a price per hour (e.g., '\$0.00/hr for software + AWS usage fees'), a brief description, and a link to the Amazon Machine Image (AMI).



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