

# Auto Scaling

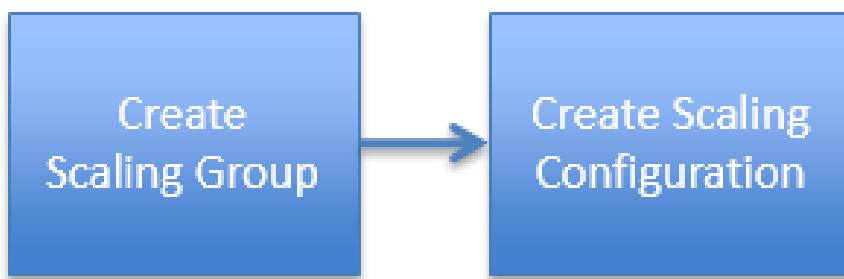
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## Create a scaling solution by two steps

This quick start guide explains how to use a simple scaling solution in Auto Scaling to create an ECS instance, automatically add it to a Server Load Balancer instance, and automatically add the instance IP address to the RDS access whitelist.

To create an Auto Scaling solution, follow the two steps as shown:



### Create a scaling group

A scaling group is a collection of ECS instances with the same configuration deployed in an application scenario. A scaling group defines the minimum and maximum number of ECS instances, and associated Server Load Balancer instances, RDS instances, and other attributes.

On the **Scaling Group List** page, click **Create Scaling Group**.

Select the **Region** for the scaling group and enter the **Scaling Group Name**.

Set **Max. Number of Instances Allowed for Scaling** and **Min. Number of Instances Allowed for Scaling** to **1**. This automatically creates one ECS instance after the overall scaling solution is created.

Select the **Server Load Balancer** instance. Health check must be enabled for all listener ports configured for the specified Server Load Balancer instance.

Create Scaling Group

\*Scaling Group Name :  The name must be 2 to 40 characters in length. It must start with an upper or lower-case English letter, number, or Chinese character. It can contain '.', '\_', '-'.

\*Maximum Number of Instances Allowed for Scaling (Unit) :  Min: 0, max: 100

\*Minimum Number of Instances Allowed for Scaling (Unit) :  Min: 0, max: 100

\*Default Cool-down Time (Sec) :  It must be an integer with a minimum value of 0.

Removal Policy :  Firstly filter  The instance with  Then filter  Oldest instance In the result How can I ensure that a manually added ECS instance will not be removed from the scaling group?

Network Type:  Classic  VPC

Server Load Balancer :  Select Server Load Balancer  Manage my server load balancer

Database :  Select database  Manage my rds

Select a **Database** instance.

After making your desired RDS instance selections, click **Submit**.

## Create scaling configuration

Scaling configuration defines the ECS instances information used for Auto Scaling. When automatically adding ECS instances to a scaling group, Auto Scaling will create ECS instances based on the scaling configuration.

On the **Scaling Group List** page, click **Manage** next to the desired scaling group.

On the **Scaling Configuration** page, click **Create Scaling Configuration**.

Choose the required ECS template.

Enter the scaling configuration name.

Choose a security group.

Choose the needed bandwidth.

Click **Next** and go to **Confirm to Config**.

Create Scaling Configuration

Clone the ECS to Create Scaling Configuration. Confirm to Config

Source ECS\* Please choose ECS Instance  
First, select a source ECS instance to clone the configuration. If the scaling group belongs to a VPC, only ECS instances belonging to the same VPC can be shown in the list below.  
If there is no instance to clone, go to [ECS console](#)  
You must select a source ECS.

Configuration Name\*: The name must be 2 to 40 characters in length. It must start with an upper or lower-case English letter, number, or Chinese character. It can contain "-", "\_", or "-".

Security Group: Please select security group  
The security group function is similar to the firewall, which is used to set up the network access control.

Peak Bandwidth: 25M 50M 100M 0 Mbps  
The system does not assign a public IP. If you need to assign a public IP (unbound), select more than 0 Mbps.

Next Cancel

# Create a scaling solution by five steps

This guide explains how to create and configure an overall scaling solution, including timing, dynamic, custom, and fixed modes.

To create an Auto Scaling solution, follow the five steps as follows:



## 1. Create a scaling group

A scaling group is a collection of ECS instances with the same configuration deployed in an application scenario. A scaling group defines the minimum and maximum number of ECS instances, associated Server Load Balancer instances, RDS instances, and other attributes.

1. On the **Scaling group management** page, click **Create scaling group**.
2. Select the **Region** for the scaling group and enter the **Scaling group name**.
3. Set **Max number of instances allowed for scaling** and **Min number of instances allowed for scaling** to **1**. This automatically creates one ECS instance after the overall scaling solution is created.
4. Select the **Server Load Balancer** instance. Health check must be enabled for all listener ports configured for the specified Server Load Balancer instance.
5. Select a **Database** instance to display the **Select RDS database** dialog box.
6. After configuration, click **Submit**.

Create scaling group

\*Scaling group name:  The name must be 2-40 characters long. It must begin with upper/lower-case letters, numbers or Chinese characters, and may contain ".", "\_" or "-".

\*Max number of instances allowed for scaling (unit)  Min: 0, max: 100

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\*Default cool-down time (sec)  It must be an integer with a min value of 0

Removal policy  Filter first  Instance with the oldest creation time  Filter in result  Oldest instance  Remove

How to ensure that the manually added ECS instance will not be removed from the scaling group

Network type:  Classic  VPC

Server Load Balancer   Manage my server load balancer

Database

## 2. Create scaling configuration

Scaling configuration defines the ECS instance information used for Auto Scaling. When automatically adding ECS instances to a scaling group, Auto Scaling will create ECS instances based on the scaling configuration.

1. On the **Scaling group management** page, click **Manage** next to the desired scaling group.
2. On the **Scaling configuration** page, click **Create scaling configuration**.
3. Choose the source ECS instance used to clone configuration.
4. Enter a name for the scaling configuration. For example, auto\_scaling\_configure\_demo.
5. Select a security group for network access control.
6. Select the needed peak bandwidth.
7. Click **Next**.

Create scaling configuration

Clone Ecs to create scaling configuration      Confirm to config

Clone configuration of source ECS\*      I-232wrmado

Please firstly select source ECS instance to clone configuration, if there is no instance to clone, please go to [ECS console](#)

Configuration name:\*      auto\_scaling\_configure\_demo

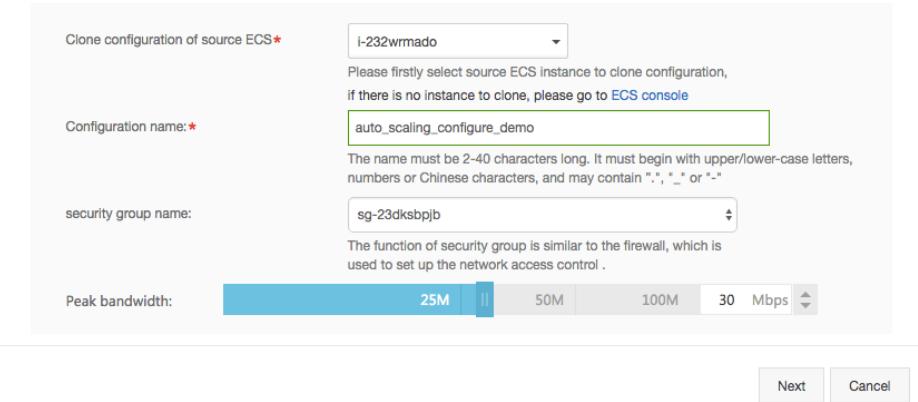
The name must be 2-40 characters long. It must begin with upper/lower-case letters, numbers or Chinese characters, and may contain ". \_ + -" or "-".

Security group name:      sg-23dksbpj:b

The function of security group is similar to the firewall, which is used to set up the network access control.

Peak bandwidth:      25M      50M      100M      30 Mbps

Next      Cancel



### 3. Add an existing ECS instance

1. On the **Scaling group management** page, click **Manage** next to the desired scaling group.
2. On the **ECS instance list** page, click **Add existing list**.
3. Select the ECS instance to be added, and click **Add**.

### 4. Create a scheduled task

1. Click **Scheduled task** under **Auto-trigger task management** to display the **Scheduled Task** page.
2. Click **Create scheduled task** to display the **Create scheduled task** dialog box.
3. Enter the task name.
4. Enter the execution time. If recurrence is not set, the task is only executed once at the designated date and time. Otherwise, the task is executed periodically at the specified time.
5. Enter the recurrence.
6. Select a scaling group and the scaling rule to be triggered by the scheduled task.
7. Click **Submit**. The scheduled task is displayed on the **Scheduled Task** page.

CreateScheduled task X

\*Task name:  The name must be 2-40 characters long. It must begin with upper/lower-case letters, numbers or Chinese characters, and may contain ".", "\_" or "-".

Description:  It must contain 2 characters at least.

\*Execution time ?:  19 : 29 :

\*Scaling rule ?: Scaling group:  Scaling rule:

Retry expiration time (sec) ?:  [Recurrence settings \(advanced\)](#)

Submit Cancel

## 5. Create an alarm task

An alarm task can be created to automatically add or remove ECS instances according to CloudMonitor performance indicators, such as CPU and memory usage. For alarms to be triggered, the latest version of CloudMonitor Agent must be installed in the ECS image.

1. Click **Alarm task** under **Auto-trigger task management** to display the alarm task list page.
2. Click **Create alarm task** to display the alarm task creation dialog box.
3. Enter the task name.
4. Select the scaling group to be monitored.
5. Select the item to be monitored.
6. Enter the statistical period. The finer the granularity of the statistical cycle, the more sensitive the alarm trigger mechanism will be.
7. Enter the statistical method.
8. Enter the number of recurrences before an alarm is triggered.
9. Select the scaling rule triggered by the alarm.
10. Click **Submit**. The alarm task will now be displayed on the **Alarm Task** page.

**CreateAlarm task**

Before an alarm task is performed, the new version of CloudMonitor Agent must be installed in the ECS image.  
<http://jankong.aliyun.com/readme.htm>

\*Task name:  The name must be 2-40 characters long. It must begin with upper/lower-case letters, numbers or Chinese characters, and may contain ".", "\_" or "-".

Description:  It must contain 2 characters at least

\*Monitor resource:  \*Metric item:  Statistical cycle (min)  \*Statistical method  >= Threshold value

Number of recurrences before an alarm is triggered  \*Trigger on alarm rule

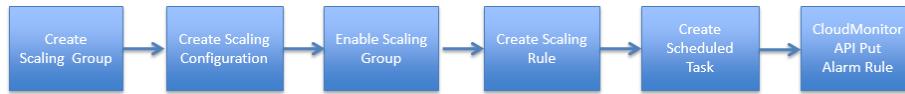
**Submit** **Cancel**

# API Quick Start

## Process introduction

This example explains how to use OpenAPIs to create and configure overall scaling solutions, including timed, dynamic, custom, and fixed mode scaling solutions.

To create a complete Auto Scaling solution, follow the steps shown in the following diagram. The first three steps are used to create a simple scaling solution:



Create a scaling group. Configure the minimum (Min Size) and maximum (Max Size) number of ECS instances for scaling, and select the associated Server Load Balancer and RDS instances.

Create scaling configuration. Specify the ECS instances attributes for Auto Scaling, such as Image ID and Instance Type.

Enable the scaling group with the scaling configuration created in Step 2.

Create a scaling rule. For example, add n (number) ECS instances.

Create a scheduled task. For example, trigger the scaling rule created in Step 4 at 12:00 AM.

Create an alarm task (CloudMonitor API PutAlarmRule). For example, add 1 ECS instance when the CPU usages are greater than or equal to 80%.

## Create a scaling group

In the CreateScalingGroup operation, configure the minimum value (MinSize) and maximum value (MaxSize) of scaling resources and associate the necessary Server Load Balancer and RDS instances.

### Request example

```
http://ess.aliyuncs.com/?Action=CreateScalingGroup  
&RegionId=cn-qingdao  
&MaxSize=20  
&MinSize=2  
&LoadBalancerId=147b46d767c-cn-qingdao-cm5-a01  
&DBInstanceId.1=rdszzzyunybaeu  
&DBInstanceId.2=rdsia3u3yia3u3y  
&<Public Request Parameters>
```

### Return example

```
<CreateScalingGroupResponse>  
<ScalingGroupId>dP8VqSd9ENXPc0ciVmcrBT1</ScalingGroupId>  
<RequestId>536E9CAD-DB30-4647-AC87-AA5CC38C5382</RequestId>  
</CreateScalingGroupResponse>
```

## Create scaling configuration

To create scaling configuration, specify the ECS instances attributes for Auto Scaling, such as Image ID and Instance Type. For requests, the ScalingGroupId returned in Step 1 must be specified.

## Request example

```
http://ess.aliyuncs.com/?Action=CreateScalingConfiguration  
&ScalingGroupId=dP8VqSd9ENXPc0ciVmocrBT1  
&SecurityGroupId=sg-280ih3w4b  
&ImageId=centos6u5_64_20G_aliaegeis_20140703.vhd  
&InstanceType=ecs.t1.xsmall  
&<Public Request Parameters>
```

## Return example

```
<CreateScalingConfigurationResponse>  
<ScalingConfigurationId>eOs27Kb0oXvQcUYjEGelJqUy</ScalingConfigurationId>  
<RequestId>5CC0AD41-08ED-4559-A683-6F56355FE068</RequestId>  
</CreateScalingConfigurationResponse>
```

## Enable a scaling group

Use the scaling configuration created in Step 2 to perform the EnableScalingGroup operation. An existing ECS instance can also be added in this step.

## Request example

```
http://ess.aliyuncs.com/?Action=EnableScalingGroup  
&ScalingGroupId=dP8VqSd9ENXPc0ciVmocrBT1  
&ActiveScalingConfigurationId=eOs27Kb0oXvQcUYjEGelJqUy  
&InstanceId.1=i-283vyytn  
&<Public Request Parameters>
```

## Return example

```
< EnableScalingGroupResponse>  
<RequestId>6469DCD0-13AC-487E-85A0-CE4922908FDE</RequestId>  
</ EnableScalingGroupResponse>
```

# Create a scaling rule

In the CreateScalingRule operation, create scaling rules, such as **Add 1 ECS instance**. For requests, the ScalingGroupId returned in Step 1 must be specified.

## Request example

```
http://ess.aliyuncs.com/?Action=CreateScalingRule  
&ScalingGroupId=dP8VqSd9ENXPc0ciVmocrBT1  
&AdjustmentType=QuantityChangeInCapacity  
&AdjustmentValue=1  
&<Public Request Parameters>
```

## Return example

```
<CreateScalingRuleResponse>  
<ScalingRuleAri>  
ari:acs:ess:cn-qingdao:1344371:scalingrule/eMKWG8SRNb9dBLAjweNI1Ik  
</ScalingRuleAri>  
<ScalingRuleId>eMKWG8SRNb9dBLAjweNI1Ik</ScalingRuleId>  
<RequestId>570C84F4-A434-488A-AFA1-1E3213682B33</RequestId>  
</CreateScalingRuleResponse>
```

# Create a scheduled task

Create a scheduled task, for example, trigger the scaling rule created in Step 4 at 12:00 AM. For requests, the ScalingRuleAri returned in Step 4 must be specified.

## Request example

```
http://ess.aliyuncs.com/?Action=CreateScheduledTask  
&RegionId=cn-qingdao  
&LaunchTime=2014-08-17T12:00Z  
&RecurrenceType=Daily  
&RecurrenceValue=1  
&RecurrenceEndTime=2014-09-17T16:55Z  
&ScheduledAction=ari:acs:ess:cn-qingdao:1344371:scalingrule/eMKWG8SRNb9dBLAjweNI1Ik  
&<Public Request Parameters>
```

## Return example

```
<CreateScheduledTaskResponse>
<ScheduledTaskId>edRtShc57WGXd8TlPbrjsnV</ScheduledTaskId>
<RequestId>0F02D931-2B12-44D7-A0E9-39925C13D15E</RequestId>
</CreateScheduledTaskResponse>
```