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AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

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What Is AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET?

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET is an assistive modernization tool that helps to reduce the time and effort required to break down large, monolithic applications running on the AWS Cloud or on premises into smaller, independent services. These services can be operated and managed independently.

Microservice Extractor analyzes the code of your target application, and creates a visualization of the source code of the application. The visualization includes classes, namespaces, and method calls between them. The visualization of your application helps you to logically group functionalities based on criteria such as class dependencies, namespaces, and call counts. When you isolate the functionalities of the application into groups, Microservice Extractor provides assistive guidance to refactor your code base to prepare it for extraction into smaller services. When the code base is ready for extraction, Microservice Extractor extracts the functionalities into separate code solutions. You can then manually edit and deploy these code solutions as independent services.

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Primary features

The primary features of AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET are:

Application analysis and graphical representation of application classes

Microservice Extractor analyzes your monolithic applications and, based on the analysis, produces a graphical representation that displays the application classes, optionally configured metrics for applicable classes, and dependencies between them. The interactive graph groups classes by functionality to help you make decisions about which parts of the application to extract as independent services.

Automated packaging of grouped functionalities into smaller services

You can designate the parts of an application to extract as separate services by grouping parts of the application code based on the functionality they implement. Microservice Extractor attempts to convert the grouped classes into code solutions. Internal application method calls can be converted to API operations so that the new, smaller services can function independently from the monolithic application.

Porting Assistant for .NET integration

You can determine whether your application dependencies are compatible with .NET Core. Dependencies that are compatible with .NET Core can be grouped together using the Porting Assistant for .NET integration with Microservice Extractor. Microservice Extractor detects whether Porting Assistant for .NET is installed on your machine and gives you the option to include .NET Core compatibility data. When this intergration is enabled, you can view .NET Core compatible dependencies in the visualization panel for your monolithic application. You can also perform single-step extract-and-port operations on the extracted microservice or monolithic application as part of the extraction workflow.

Automated refactoring recommendations

You can start refactoring older monolithic applications when you are not familiar with their original architecture or retrofitted features. The prescriptive guidance provided by AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET's automated recommendations reduces the time it takes to identify and refactor microservices from legacy applications.

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET's automated recommendations and prescriptive guidance allows you to start refactoring older monolithic applications when you are not familiar with their original architecture or retroffitted features. The prescriptive guidance and recommendations from AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET reduces the time it would normally take to refactor microservices from legacy applications.

Supported use cases

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET supports the following use cases.

.NET Versions

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET supports .NET Framework and .NET Core ASP.NET web service applications. Specifically, Microservice Extractor supports the following versions:

- **Application visualization**:
  - .NET Framework version 4.0 and later
  - .NET Core version 3.1
  - .NET version 5.0
  - .NET version 6.0
  - .NET version 7.0
- **Application extraction**:
  - .NET Framework version 4.5 and later
  - .NET Core version 3.1
  - .NET version 5.0
  - .NET version 6.0
  - .NET version 7.0

Microservice Extractor supports analysis of C# source code. Extraction is supported for only ASP.NET MVC applications.

Extraction

Microservice Extractor supports extraction for the following use cases:

- Classes are extracted in their entirety. Partial class extraction is not supported.
- Classes do not change during compilation. Classes that change class structure during compilation are not supported.

Controllers

Microservice Extractor supports the following actions in relation to controllers:

- For applications with controllers, Microservice Extractor converts local method calls at the controller level to network calls to the extracted service.
- For other applications, Microservice Extractor adds code comments by default. If you choose the advanced option for **Method invocations from the application to the extracted service** during extraction, Microservice Extractor replaces local method calls with network calls, where possible.
- For MVC applications, Microservice Extractor copies the views (.cshtml file) to the extracted service to be able to render the relevant HTML when returning the response.

Concepts

The following concepts and definitions can help you to understand the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET tool.

Nodes

Nodes represent the classes in the source code of the monolithic application.

Groups

Closely related functions are organized as groups of nodes in the graphical representation of a monolithic application. Application nodes are displayed with their dependencies to help you understand the functional architecture of your application. This visualization of the application nodes and dependencies can help you to group them together by functionality.

Visualization

The Microservice Extractor visualization uses source code analysis and runtime metrics to produce a graphical representation of a monolithic application. The graph shows dependencies between application nodes, call counts, and static references between code artifacts. You can use the graph and call counts to understand the dependencies between nodes, and to identify heavily called ones. You can run the assessment tool from the standalone Microservice Extractor application.

Canvas

Independent views for arranging nodes and creating groups.

Extraction

Extraction is the process of separating out logically grouped parts of a monolithic application into smaller, independent services. These parts are referred to as islands in the visualization of an application. You can perform an extraction using Microservice Extractor after an application has been assessed.

Access AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET is a standalone tool that you download and install on your developer workstation. Specify the source files for your applications to start an analysis. You can view the analysis using the UI console.

To install Microservice Extractor, see [Install AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET](#).

Pricing for AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET is available for use at no cost.

AWS .NET Modernization Tools availability change

Porting Assistant (PA) for .NET, AWS App2Container (A2C), AWS Toolkit for .NET Refactoring (TR), and AWS Microservice Extractor (ME) for .NET will stop accepting new customers starting November 7, 2025. AWS Transform, launched in 2025, is our next-generation service that provides enhanced capabilities for modernization with AI-driven automation. Existing Porting Assistant (PA) for .NET, AWS App2Container (A2C), AWS Toolkit for .NET Refactoring (TR), and AWS Microservice Extractor (ME) for .NET customers can continue using the service to complete their ongoing modernization projects. All current .NET Modernization Tools features, including Porting Assistant for .NET, AWS App2Container, AWS Toolkit for .NET Refactoring, and AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET, are available in AWS Transform with improved functionality through secure Managed Development Environments and LLM integration.

While we will not be adding new features to the service, we remain committed to providing security updates and maintaining service availability to ensure your ongoing migration projects continue to run smoothly. Our focus is on ensuring a stable environment for existing customers to complete their in-flight projects while preparing for transitioning to the enhanced capabilities available in AWS Transform.

AWS Transform for .NET accelerates large-scale modernization from .NET Framework to cross-platform .NET by up to 4x. With the .NET modernization agent, modernization teams can collaboratively execute larger and more complex projects with consistency, remove Windows license dependencies to reduce operating costs by up to 40%, and enhance code quality, performance, and security.

Existing users can complete their current projects using existing tools, while all new modernization projects can start in AWS Transform. To begin using AWS Transform, see the Getting Started Guide. No data migration or special transition tools are needed, as users can organically switch to AWS Transform for any new work.

If you have additional questions, contact AWS Support or read our FAQs:

- **What does this mean for the service (will it be shut down)?**

  Porting Assistant (PA) for .NET, AWS App2Container (A2C), AWS Toolkit for .NET Refactoring (TR), and AWS Microservice Extractor (ME) for .NET will stop accepting new customers starting November 7, 2025. The service will continue to operate for existing customers to complete their ongoing migration projects.

- **How will existing customers be impacted?**

  Existing customers can continue using the service until their in-flight modernization projects are completed. All ongoing projects will remain accessible. No disruption to existing workloads or in-flight modernizations.

- **On November 7, 2025, how can I get help if I have issues?**

  Customers experiencing issues can contact AWS Support.

- **What alternatives can I explore?**

  AWS Transform is the recommended alternative. With the .NET modernization agent, modernization teams can collaboratively execute larger and more complex projects with consistency, remove Windows license dependencies to reduce operating costs by up to 40%, and enhance code quality, performance, and security.

- **How do I migrate off of .NET Modernization Tools?**

  No formal migration process is required. Existing projects can continue in Porting Assistant (PA) for .NET, AWS App2Container (A2C), AWS Toolkit for .NET Refactoring (TR), or AWS Microservice Extractor (ME) for .NET until completion. For new projects, you can start directly in AWS Transform, which provides all the familiar capabilities of .NET Modernization Tools with enhanced features. No data migration is needed, and AWS Support is available to assist with the transition.

How AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET works

This section describes how AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET analyzes an application and extracts an application into smaller services.

How Microservice Extractor works topics

- Overview

- Application analysis and extraction

- Visualization

- Runtime profiling

- Service limits

- Information collected

Overview

The following are the high-level steps for using AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET to modernize your monolithic application by extracting it into smaller services.

1. **Onboard and analyze the application** — Onboard the application to Microservice Extractor by providing access to the application source code and binaries. The backend service logic of the application is analyzed by Microservice Extractor to understand the application and node structure, and the dependencies between nodes. Nodes represent classes in the source code of the application. The results of this analysis can help you to understand how to better group functionalities into separate services. If you have runtime profiling data that represents production data, you can optionally use it with the analysis to collect actionable runtime metrics. If Porting Assistant for .NET is installed on your machine, you can optionally include .NET Core 5 and 6 compatibility data in the visualization side panel.

2. **Assist with identifying grouped classes to extract as independent services** — Microservice Extractor creates a graphical representation of the application that shows the nodes, node types, dependencies, and groupings based on dependency coupling. If you have uploaded runtime profiling data during application onboarding, for example, transactional call volume, then it will be displayed. This graphical representation assists you with extracting groupings of nodes as isolated services.

3. **Automated grouping recommendations** — You can get grouping recommendations from Microservice Extractor instead of manually creating groupings. Microservice Extractor uses machine learning-driven analysis of your source code to generate grouping recommendations.

4. **Refactor source code and extract grouped nodes** — After the parts of the application that you want to extract are grouped and selected, refactor source code by isolating business domains and removing dependencies between them. Then, extract the groups as separate code solutions. After extracting the groups as separate solutions, you can manually edit and build the code solutions, and deploy them as independent services in containers.

Application analysis and extraction

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET analyzes the source code of a monolithic application and creates a visualization of the application, which includes nodes, dependencies, call flows, and relevant metrics. You can use the visualization of the application to make informed decisions about the structure of the application, and to identify parts of the application to group together and extract as independent services.

After Microservice Extractor extracts a specified functionality group within the application, you can manually package and deploy the functionalities as independent services in containers. You can then integrate the smaller services with your custom workflows.

Extracting monolithic applications into smaller, independent services is an iterative process. Based on your requirements, you can repeat the process by onboarding the newly extracted monolithic application into Microservice Extractor. This further assists with identifying and extracting components as independent services.

Visualization

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET creates a visualization of the monolithic application nodes, the metrics for each node, and the dependencies between them. Depending on the visualization level, a node could mean an aggregation of related objects such as projects, namespaces, logical groups of classes, or individual classes. It provides data on the application structure required to help you decide what parts of the application you want to extract as smaller, independent services. You can use the visualization to perform the following:

- **Isolate dependencies** — Use the visualization to help you isolate dependencies and automatically capture interdependencies to create groups of closely related nodes. Nodes within each group rely on other nodes within the group.

- **Narrow focus** — View all of the dependencies for a selected node, and the shared dependencies between nodes.

- **Assess call count (class level nodes only)** — View the method call count number between nodes. Call count data is provided by the runtime metrics that you upload to the tool.

- **Visualize at a high level** — Get a high-level understanding of your monolithic application, and investigate dependencies and call count metrics to make decisions about parts of the application to extract into smaller, independent services.

- **Automated grouping recommendations** — Microservice Extractor can generate recommendations for groupings to extract as independent services using machine learning.

The following image shows the **Visualization canvas** displaying root level groupings of applications nodes. Application nodes at this level are classified as either project or group nodes.
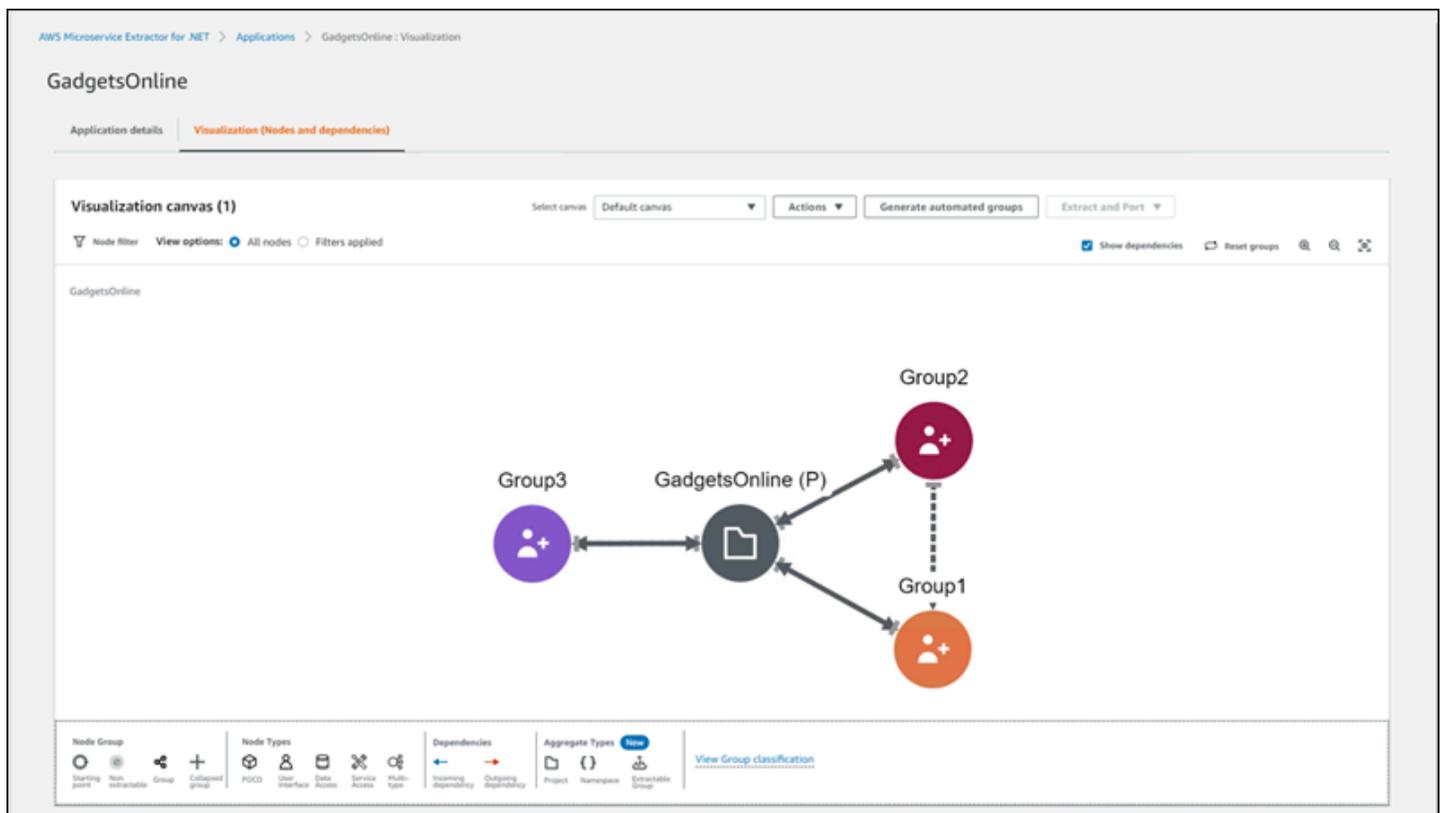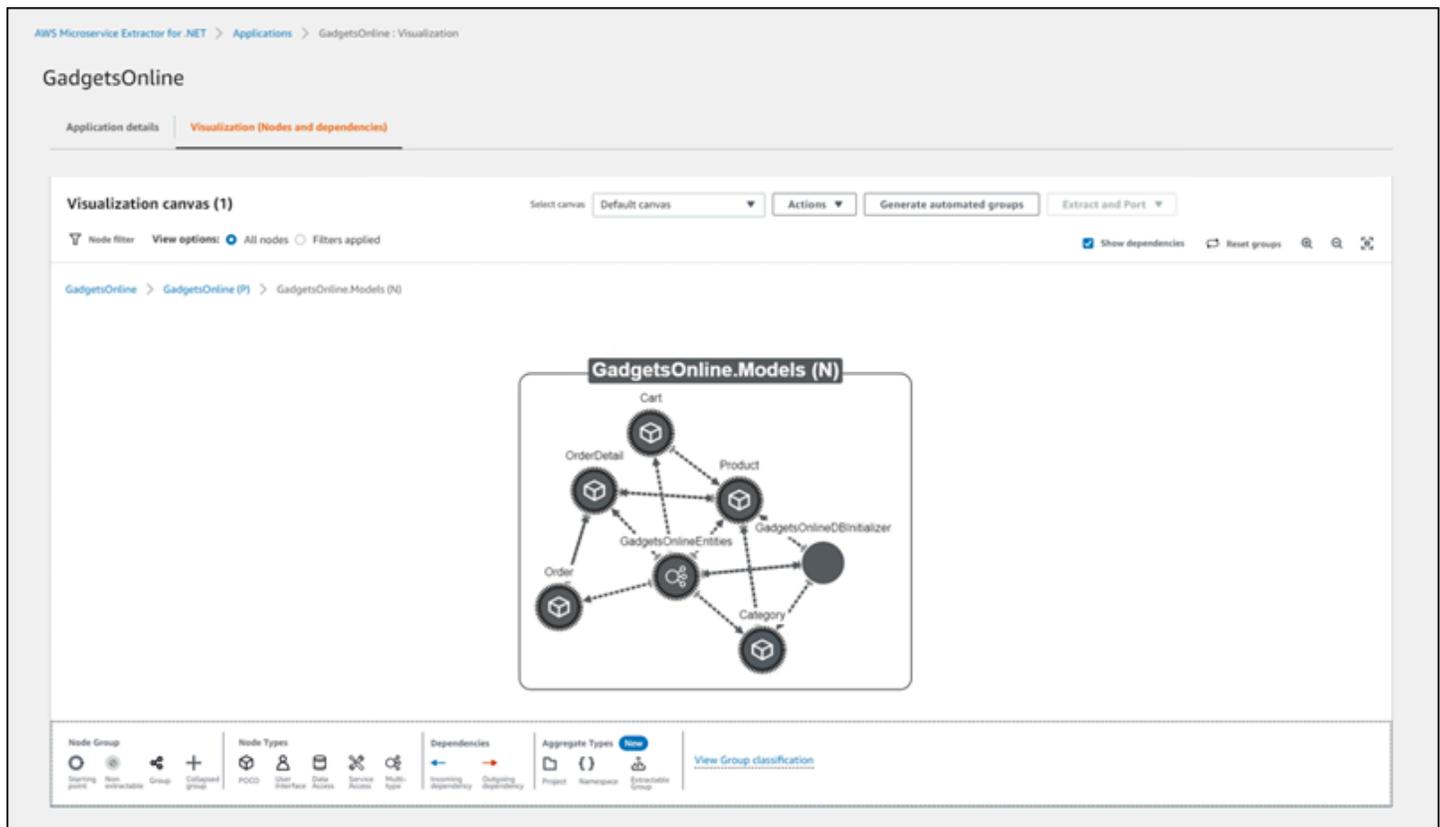

The following image shows the **Visualization canvas** displaying namespace level aggregations of application nodes. Nodes at this level are aggregated as namespaces.

The following image shows the **Visualization canvas** displaying a class level view within the namespace. Nodes at this level are individual classes.

Runtime profiling

The AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET tool includes an application runtime profiler to provide call count data with dependency details in the visualization of the application. The output of the profiler is processed by the assessment tool to create the graph. The visualization shows class level call counts to help you understand the traffic patterns of your application. This visual representation helps you to focus resources during the extraction process and to isolate areas of high value. The runtime profiler is a .dll file that must be included when you run your application in a test or integration environment with data that is representative of the production environment. CLR profiling is supported. For steps to run the profiler, see the Runtime profiling prerequisites.

Service limits

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET has the following limits.

- Large applications may reduce the performance of the Microservice Extractor application.

- Some failure modes are detected later in the Microservice Extractor workflow.

- If the `loading` status persists for several minutes on the visualization, please contact us at aws-microservice-extractor-support@amazon.com.

Information collected

You can choose to share data when you first set up the Microservice Extractor application. You have the option to turn off usage data sharing by clearing the check box for usage data sharing on the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET **Settings** page .

Usage data sharing is enabled by default. You can disable usage data sharing by clearing the check box for usage data sharing on the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET **Settings** page .

When usage data sharing is enabled, Microservice Extractor collects the following information when you onboard your source code:

- Success and failure operations performed during onboarding, static code analysis, application build, graph creation, and AI recommendations.
- Resources consumed during operations, such as CPU and memory usage.
- Number of nodes and dependencies.
- Number of detected islands.
- Types of nodes.
- Number of canvases.

Microservice Extractor doesn't collect proprietary information, such as source code. In case of failure, the tool may collect stack traces to improve product experience.

Microservice Extractor uses the information collected to continuously improve its API replacement suggestions. Microservice Extractor periodically analyzes the collected information and updates its replacement engine so that the Microservice Extractor experience is continuously improved.

Get started with AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

This section describes the prerequisites, installation procedure, and steps to get started using AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.

Getting started topics

- Prerequisites to use AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

- Install AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

- Use AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

Prerequisites to use AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

This section describes the prerequisites for installing and using Microservice Extractor.

- Prerequisites for analysis and extraction of monolithic application

- Required AWS Identity and Access Management policies

Prerequisites for analysis and extraction of monolithic application

To use Microservice Extractor to analyze and extract a monolithic application to deploy into smaller services, you must have the following:

- A valid AWS CLI profile to publish metrics. For information about how to configure an AWS CLI profile, see Configuring the AWS CLI.

- A monolithic application that must be one of the following:

  - A .NET Framework ASP.NET web service application hosted on IIS with the .NET Framework developer pack installed.

  - A .NET Core ASP.NET web service application with the developer pack installed.

- The ability to build the application solution with MSBuild.

- One of the following operating systems for analyzing the application and creating the visualization:

  - Windows 10 or later

  - Windows Server 2016 or later

- For the application analysis, you must have:

- .NET Framework version 4 or later, or .NET Core version 3.1 or later compatibility with source code solution.

- 10 GB minimum of free disk space, in addition to the size of your application.

- 8 GB minimum of available memory.

- Compute power equivalent to or greater than that of an Intel Core i3 3-GHz processor.

- For the extraction, you must have:

  - .NET Framework version 4.5 or later, or .NET Core version 3.1 or later compatibility with source code solution.

  - 20 GB minimum of free disk space, in addition to twice the size of your application.

Required AWS Identity and Access Management policies

To perform certain operations using AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET, your user must have the necessary permissions. This section includes the policies that your user must have, and also instructions for granting permissions to the user.

You must use a valid AWS CLI profile to use the assessment tool and run the commands to complete an extraction. For information about how to configure your AWS CLI profile, see [Configuring the AWS CLI](#).

How to provide access to your user

To provide access, add permissions to your users, groups, or roles:

- Users and groups in AWS IAM Identity Center:

  Create a permission set. Follow the instructions in [Create a permission set](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

- Users managed in IAM through an identity provider:

  Create a role for identity federation. Follow the instructions in [Create a role for a third-party identity provider (federation)](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

- IAM users:

  - Create a role that your user can assume. Follow the instructions in [Create a role for an IAM user](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

- (Not recommended) Attach a policy directly to a user or add a user to a user group. Follow the instructions in Adding permissions to a user (console) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Permissions to use the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET assessment tool

To use the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET assessment tool, you must create an IAM policy that includes the following permissions. To view the type of application data collected by Microservice Extractor, see Information collected.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "ApplicationTransformationAccess",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "application-transformation:*"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Sid": "KMSPermissions",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "kms:DescribeKey",
                "kms:Encrypt",
                "kms:Decrypt",
                "kms:CreateGrant",
                "kms:GenerateDataKey"
            ],
            "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:::*",
            "Condition": {
                "ForAnyValue:StringLike": {
                    "kms:ResourceAliases": "alias/application-transformation*"
                }
            }
        },
        {
            "Sid": "S3Access",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "s3:GetObject",
```

```
                "s3:PutObject",
                "s3:CreateBucket",
                "s3:ListBucket",
                "s3:PutBucketOwnershipControls",
                "s3:ListAllMyBuckets",
                "s3:GetBucketLocation"
            ],
            "Resource": [
                "arn:aws:s3:::*"
            ],
            "Condition": {
                "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}"
                }
            }
        }
    ]
}
```

Install AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

This topic describes how to install AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET. It includes steps to configure prerequisites to use the runtime profiling agent on your application. You must configure the runtime profiling prerequisites after you download the Microservice Extractor installer.

Installation topics

- [Installation](#)

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Installation

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET is available for download as an executable file (`ServiceExtract.exe`):

[Download Microservice Extractor](#)

For optional integrity detection, you can download the SHA256 checksum of the installer.

To use the checksum file, calculate the SHA256 on your downloaded `.exe` file to compare against the output of the following PowerShell command:

```
Get-FileHash -Algorithm SHA256 Service-Extract.exe
```

You can verify the authenticity of the signatures of the Microservice Extractor `.exe` file by running the following command, which verifies that a valid certificate is contained in the file.

```
Get-AuthenticodeSignature <file-name>
```

After you have downloaded the `.exe` file, and performed optional integrity checks, you can run the installation executable for the Microservice Extractor assessment tool on your local computer.

When the installation completes, you can find the `ServiceExtractProfiler.dll` in `C:\Users\<username>\AppData\Local\Programs\AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET\resources\AWS Tools\serviceextract-profiler\ServiceExtractProfiler.dll`

Runtime profiling prerequisites

To use the runtime profiling agent on your application, you must configure the following prerequisites after you have downloaded the `ServiceExtract.exe` file.

1. To ensure that IIS manager can access the `.dll` or output folder, copy the `.dll` from the default path into the `inetpub` folder (for example, `C:\inetpub\wwwroot\...`), which is the default folder for IIS. In addition, verify that your IIS user has read/write access to the output directory.

2. Create a folder for the Microservice Extractor runtime profiler to output to.

3. Register the Microservice Extractor runtime profiler on the server on which the application is running using one of the following commands. This step is not necessary for .NET Framework version 4 or later.

   Windows 64-bit version:

   ```
   %systemroot%\System32\regsvr32.exe C:\Users\<username>\AppData\Local\Programs
   \AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET\resources\AWS Tools\serviceextract-profiler
   \ServiceExtractProfiler.dll
   ```

   Windows 32-bit version:

```
%systemroot%\SysWoW64\regsvr32.exe C:\Users\<username>\AppData\Local\Programs
\AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET\resources\AWS Tools\serviceextract-profiler
\ServiceExtractProfiler.dll
```

4. Set relevant environment variables before starting the target binary. You must manually update the following system variables.

    .NET Framework

    ```
    COR_ENABLE_PROFILING enables profiling
    COR_ENABLE_PROFILING=1

    COR_PROFILER specifies the profiler to use using CLSID or ProgID
    COR_PROFILER={DCF75470-C2FC-4198-88EE-D07740A3FB9B}

    COR_PROFILER_PATH specifies the path of the serviceextract profiler
    COR_PROFILER_PATH=C:\Users\<username>\AppData\Local\Programs\AWS
     Microservice Extractor for .NET\resources\AWS Tools\serviceextract-profiler
    \ServiceExtractProfiler.dll
    ```

    .NET Core, NET 7.0, NET 6.0, and .NET 5.0

    ```
    CORECLR_ENABLE_PROFILING
    CORECLR_PROFILER
    CORECLR_PROFILER_PATH_64
    ```

    In addition to the previous version-specific updates, you must update the following variables for **all .NET versions**:

    ```
    SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_OUTPUT_DIR specifies the output directory used by the
     profiler
    SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_OUTPUT_DIR=C:\ProfilerOutput
    SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_TARGET_DLL specifies the output directory used by the
     profiler
    SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_TARGET_DLL=<your-target-app.dll>
    ```

    Here is an example of how to configure IIS with the necessary environment variables in the applicationHost.config file:

    ```
    <applicationPools>
    ```

```
        <add name="DefaultAppPool" />
        <add name="<YourSiteName>" autoStart="false" />
        <add name=".NET v4.5 Classic" managedRuntimeVersion="v4.0"
                managedPipelineMode="Classic" />
        <add name=".NET v4.5" managedRuntimeVersion="v4.0" />
        <add name="<YourSiteName2>" autoStart="false" />
        <applicationPoolDefaults managedRuntimeVersion="v4.0">
            <processModel identityType="ApplicationPoolIdentity" />
            <environmentVariables>
                <add name="COR_ENABLE_PROFILING" value="1" />
                <add name="COR_PROFILER" value="{DCF75470-C2FC-4198-88EE-
D07740A3FB9B}" />
                <add name="COR_PROFILER_PATH" value=" C:\Users\<username>\AppData\Local
\Programs\AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET\resources\AWS Tools\serviceextract-
profiler\ServiceExtractProfiler.dll
                <add name="SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_OUTPUT_DIR" value="C:
\ProfilerOutput" />
                <add name="SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_TARGET_DLL" value="<your-target-
app.dll>" />
            </environmentVariables>
        </applicationPoolDefaults>
</applicationPools>
```

When the manual configuration completes, the runtime profiler automatically captures metrics when you run your application. Perform typical workloads and test cases while running your application to capture relevant metrics for an application assessment. After shutting down the application pool in IIS, a `.csv` file will be created by the profiler for you to upload to the Microservice Extractor tool for the assessment. You can find the `.csv` file at the output directory configured in the previous step for `SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_OUTPUT_DIR`.

Use AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

This section contains information to help you get started with AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET after verifying that the [required prerequisites](#) are met. When you start Microservice Extractor for the first time, you are prompted to enter your AWS CLI profile information so that Microservice Extractor can collect metrics to improve your experience. These collected metrics also help to flag issues with the software so that AWS can quickly address them. If you have not set up your AWS profile, see [Configuring the AWS CLI](#).

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Set up AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

Perform the following steps to set up AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.

1. Verify that you have completed the [prerequisite steps](#) to use Microservice Extractor.

2. From the Microservice Extractor landing page, choose **Get started**.

3. From the **Setup Microservice Extractor** page, select an AWS region where to store and analyze source code metadata.

> **ⓘ Note**
>
> Your source code never leaves your local system. Microservice Extractor will upload source code metadata to an Amazon S3 bucket you have designated from your AWS account. Microservice Extractor's scalable backend will process source code metadata ephemerally and write the results in the same S3 bucket. Please see the Data Privacy FAQ for more information.

4. Select either an AWS named profile or existing AWS CLI/SDK credentials. You can select an AWS named profile from the dropdown list, update an existing named profile, or **Add a named profile**. Microservice Extractor uses the credentials from your AWS profile to share your Microservice Extractor usage data with AWS to make the Microservice Extractor tool better. For

more information about named profiles, see [Named profiles for the AWS CLI](#) in the *AWS CLI User Guide*.

> **ⓘ Note**
>
> When using Single Sign-on capabilities such as AWS IAM Identity Center be sure to choose the option for AWS CLI/SDK credentials.

5. Select the Amazon S3 bucket in which to store your source code metadata by typing the bucket name and selecting it. If the bucket does not exist, a Region selection will appear for you to create a bucket. Select or create a prefix for your Amazon S3 bucket.

6. (Optional) You may enter Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the AWS KMS key (SSE-KMS) to use for server-side encryption of the objects Microservice Extractor will store in S3 bucket on your behalf. If you leave this empty, Microservice Extractor will use default server-side encryption with Amazon S3 managed encryption keys (SSE-S3) to store source code metadata.

7. To use AI-based recommendations, select the check box to **Enable automated groupings**. When the check box is selected, your code metadata is stored in an Amazon S3 bucket.

> **ⓘ Note**
>
> Your code metadata is never moved from the designated Amazon S3 bucket.

    You can select the Amazon S3 bucket in which to store your code by typing the bucket name and selecting it. If the bucket does not exist, a Region selection will appear for you to create a bucket. Select or create a prefix for your Amazon S3 bucket.

8. Add or update the **Working directory** used to store the output from the application analysis and extraction of your application. You cannot change this directory after the application is set up.

9. **Microservice Extractor usage data sharing** is enabled by default. To view the types of data collected, see [Information collected](#). Clear the check box selection to disable usage data sharing.

10. Choose **Next** to onboard your application.

Onboard an application

To onboard your application, perform the following steps.

1. Navigate to the **Applications** page of the Microservice Extractor tool by either choosing it
    from the left navigation pane of the application, or by choosing **Next** from the **Setup AWS
    Microservice Extractor for .NET** page. In the **Applications** component, choose **Onboard
    application**. The **Onboard application** option is disabled if you have not selected an AWS
    named profile from the **Set up Microservice Extractor** page.

2. On the **Onboard application** page, enter the following information for the application you
    want to onboard.

    *   **Application details**. Enter a **Name** and optional **Description** for your application.

    *   **Source code**. Provide the ASP.NET **solution file** (for example, the .sln file). Choose the
        application project file to upload to Microservice Extractor. The file must be buildable
        and use ASP.NET. The source code and its dependencies must be local to the on-premises
        machine or Amazon EC2 instance on which Microservice Extractor is run.

        > ⓘ **Note**
        >
        > Microservice Extractor uses MSBuild to build your application. If your application
        > uses custom build scripts, you will encounter an error during the application analysis.

    *   **MSBuild path**. The path of the version of MSBuild that you want to use, and optional
        arguments. AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET uses the latest version of MSBuild that is on
        the system as the default version.

    *   **Runtime profiling data — optional**. Upload the outputted `.csv` file from the runtime
        profiling performed for your application. For steps to run the profiler, see the Runtime
        profiling prerequisites. You can find the outputted `.csv` file in the output directory
        configured for the `SERVICEEXTRACT_PROFILER_OUTPUT_DIR` environment variable.

        > ⓘ **Note**
        >
        > You can't change the source code or runtime profiling data that was input after
        > onboarding. If you want to make changes to these input files, you must onboard the
        > application as a new application.

- **Analyze .NET Core portability — optional**. You can choose to include .NET Core compatibility data in the visualization of your application.

3. Choose **Onboard Application**. Microservice Extractor analyzes your source code and uses the analysis and runtime metrics to produce a graphical representation of your application.

4. When the analysis completes, the application will show a build status of **Success** on the **Applications** page. From here, you can select the application and choose **Launch visualization**, or choose **View dependency graph** in the build success banner. The graph shows node dependencies, runtime metrics, such as runtime call counts, and static references between code artifacts, such as classes. If you choose the application name, you are taken to the **Application details** page, where you can view and edit the details you entered when you onboarded the application.

   If the application shows a **build failed** status, review the error message, and choose **Update source code** to remediate.

> ⓘ **Note**
>
> We recommend that you wait until the build status shows **Success** before you navigate to the **View details** page.

View application details

When an application is successfully onboarded, you can view details about the application by choosing it from the **Applications** page. You will be taken to the **Application details** tab. From there, you can view and **Edit** the application details. If you previously launched the visualization for the application, you can choose the **Visualization (nodes and dependencies)** tab to view the graphical visualization of your application. For more information about how to work with the visualization, see [Work with the application visualization](#).

The application details page displays a summary of the onboarding details that you entered for the application. It also includes an overview of the porting compatibility assessment if you enabled the option while on onboarding application, the location of the application logs, log status, and descriptions of any log errors. You can edit the name and description, source code files, and runtime profiling data by choosing **Edit**. If you make changes to the application details, the application analysis is performed again, and the application visualization is refreshed. If you cancel the edit, no changes will be applied.

APIs Tab

You can view which APIs your application utilizes as well as the classes where they are referenced by navigating to the **APIs** tab after onboarding and analyzing an application. From the search bar in the table, you are able to either include or exclude APIs based on several fields, including their **compatibility** with .NET Core and corresponding Class. From this page you can also select any number of APIs and add them to a group by clicking the **Add to Group** button, just like you would in the Visualization tab.

	API	Class	Group	.NET Core Compatibility	NuGet	Version	Calling Projects	Suggested Replacement
☐	System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection.Close()	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.DBConnector	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Data	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand.ExecuteReader()	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.DBConnector	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Data	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataReader.Read()	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.DBConnector	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Data	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Data.SqlClient.SqlParameterCollection.AddWithValue(string, object)	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.DBConnector	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Data	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand.ExecuteNonQuery()	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.DBConnector	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Data	4.0.0	1	-
☐	ClassLibraryOutsideSln.Class1.Always99()	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.StringUtils	-	⊗ Incompatible	ClassLibraryOutsideSln	1.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Web.Configuration.WebConfigurationManager	DriftRefactoringApp.Utils.StringUtils	-	⊗ Incompatible	System.Web	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.String	DriftRefactoringApp.Controllers.HomeController	-	⊘ Compatible	System	0.0.0	1	-
☐	System.Web.HttpApplication	DriftRefactoringApp.MvcApplication	-	⊘ Compatible	System.Web	4.0.0	1	-
☐	System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.Required	DriftRefactoringApp.Models.Person	-	⊘ Compatible	System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations	4.0.0	1	-

Note: The groups created will be created using the classes that the corresponding APIs belong to; therefore a class containing multiple APIs will not be able to have its APIs in separate groups.

Launch application visualization

After you onboard an application, you can launch the visualization of the application from the **Applications** page to better conceptualize and group your application nodes. Select the application for which you want to view the visualization and choose **Launch visualization**. You will be taken directly to the **Visualization (nodes and dependencies)** tab of the application page.

From the **Visualization (nodes and dependencies)** page, you can view, in graph form, the logically grouped functionalities identified by Microservice Extractor to be extracted as isolated services. By default, the visualization displays nodes at the Project level, you can then use filters to display specific project level or namespace level nodes. For selected nodes, you can view .NET core

portability. You can apply the default groups, modify them, or create new groups to associate with a functionality that guides refactoring. For more details on graph functionality, see Work with the application visualization.

Work with the application visualization

The **Visualization** tab displays the application nodes and dependencies in graphical format. The initial view on the **Visualization** tab is the main view. The circles represent nodes, and the arrows show dependencies and direction between nodes, incoming or outgoing. By default, no groups are created. The main view reflects any updates you make to your groupings.

Features of the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET visualization tool

You can perform the following tasks from the **Visualization (nodes and dependencies)** page to help you group your application nodes to extract as a smaller service.

Task	Description
Create custom groups to visualize a segmentation of the service	You can create groups in the following ways: • **Drag and drop (main view only)** — Select one or more nodes by clicking on them, then drag the node or nodes together. • **Choose or right-click (main view)** — Choose or right-click a node to open the **Actions** menu. From the **Actions** menu, you can choose to **Add node to group**. The **Add node(s) to group** pane appears on the right, where you can choose to add nodes to an existing group or create a new group, and select the **Group name** and, optionally, the **Group color** . Groups are indicated by dotted rectangle s. You can collapse and expand groups by choosing the minimize and maximize icons in the left corner of each rectangle. Collapsing a

Task	Description
	rectangle helps to reduce visual noise as you focus on other areas of the service.
View node details	Select one or more nodes. Selected nodes are indicated by a dotted circle. Incoming and outgoing dependencies for the selected nodes are highlighted as red (outgoing) or blue (incoming). If you select more than one node, each selected node will appear as dotted, and the dependencies will be highlighted for all of the selected nodes. When you choose or right-click on a node, you can select **View node details** from the **Actions** menu. The **Node details** panel appears on the right. **Node details** include the following tabs and information for one or more selected nodes: • **General** — Shows the selected nodes, their dependencies, and runtime profiling information. The arrows, or **Edges** show the direction of the dependency, incoming or outgoing. The call count for each node dependency is also displayed. • **.NET Core portability** — Shows the selected nodes and their .NET Core portability status. If a node is not compatible for .NET Core portability, hover over the status message to view the details and potential remediation.
Reset view	Choose **Reset view** to reset the visualization to the original state, or as it was arranged when you first launched it. All new groups are removed, and all changes will be discarded.

Task	Description
Show dependencies	Choose **Show dependencies** to show or hide the incoming and outgroing dependencies between nodes. By default **Show dependices** is selected, and incoming and outgoing dependencies are displayed on the visualization.
Node filter	From the **Visualization Nodes and Dependencies** view, you can use the **Node filter** search box to change the displayed nodes in the following ways: • **Project** — When a project name is entered in the text box and selected, the visualization displays nodes that are a part of that project. The name of a project node filter begins with P. • **Namespace** — When a namespace name is entered and selected, the visualization displays nodes that are part of that specific namespace. The name of a namespace node filter begins with N. • **Clear all filters**— This option removes all selected node filters from the visualization and the view is returned to the default view.
View options	When node filters are applied you can switch between a visualization with the filters applied or a visualization with no filters. To do this, under **View options** select **All nodes** to view the visualization with no filters or select **Filtered nodes** to apply your selected node filters.

Task	Description
View Legend	The **Legend** displays the meanings of the symbols in the visualization. • A gray shaded circle indicates a node. • A dotted circle indicates a selected node. • A gray rectangle indicates a group. • A gray rectangle that contains an expand icon indicates a collapsed group. • A gray cube that indicates a class with minimal logic. • A gray connected cirle and half circle that indicates the entry point into the application. • A gray cylinder that indicates the code in that node accesses data. • A gray wrench and screwdriver indicates the code invokes an external service. • A gray circle with three smaller circles indicates a node can fit into two or more classifications. • A gray folder icon indicates a project node. • A gray set of curly brackets indicates a namespace node. • A blue arrow indicates a dependency incoming to a node. • A red arrow indicates a dependency outgoing from a node.
View Group classification	Choose **Group classification** from the bottom of the visualization to view the name, ID, and color assigned to each group in the visualization.

Task	Description
View runtime profiling information	You can view the number of call counts from the main view by hovering over the arrows in the visualization.
Edit group name and color	After you have created a group, you can edit the name and color of the group by choosing or right-clicking it to open the **Actions** menu, then choosing **Edit group name and color**. You can update the group name and color in the **Edit group name and color** pane that appears on the right.
Add or delete canvas (main view only)	A canvas displays a specific layout of nodes, edges, and groups. After you onboard your application, the default canvas is automatically created. You can perform graph tasks on each canvas, such as viewing node details, rearranging nodes, or creating groups. You can also add a new canvas or delete an existing one (excluding the default canvas) by selecting the option from the **Actions** dropdown menu.
Get automated groupings (main view only)	You can get automated artificial intelligence-generated grouping recommendations by selecting one of the following options on the **Get automated groupings** pop-up: • To preserve the existing groups in the visualization and get grouping recommendations for only the non-grouped nodes, select **Maintain existing group nodes**. • To delete all of the existing groups and get grouping recommendations for all of the nodes in the application, select **Reset existing groups**.

Main visualization

After you onboard an application, Microservice Extractor displays its nodes and dependencies as a graph. No groups are created by default. You can create groups, modify them, or create new groups to associate with a functionality that guides refactoring. Use the main visualization to view your groups and prepare for extraction after creating groups in the main visualization, or after exploring recommended groupings.

Manually remove node dependencies to prepare parts of your application for extraction as smaller services. The parts are displayed as groups in the graph. Microservice Extractor can also extract API endpoints as separate services by isolating the code that underlies the API endpoints and replacing local calls with network calls. This creates a new implementation of the calling class in a new solution, while preserving the interface and original solution. You can then develop, build, and deploy the new repositories independently as services.

For more information about actions you can take from the main visualization, see [Features of the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET visualization tool](#).

Extract parts of an application as independent services

Review the arrangement of the group or groups you selected and their individual nodes and dependencies on the main view of the **Visualization (nodes and dependencies)** page. When you are satisfied with your groups, choose **Extract group** and perform the following steps:

1. On the **Review details and initiate extraction** page, review and verify the **Service details** and the **Extraction details**. Address all of the issues listed for the **Nodes** and **Dependencies**. To view the description of an issue, select the **Shared state access detected** or **Requires attention** alert under **Comments**. Select the corresponding **Class ID** to view and address the issue in the source code.

   If a class accesses a state that is shared by classes that belong to multiple groups in the application, modification of the shared state may result in errors when you extract the nodes as a smaller service. If the **Shared state access detected** message appears next to a class, check whether the class accesses a state that is shared by classes that belong to other groups. If so, update your application source code to remove access to the shared state. Analyze the application again before proceeding with the extraction.

   The following shared state accesses are detected:

   - `TempData` property in [`ControllerBase`](#) class.

- `Session` property in `Controller` class.

- `Session` property in ASP.NET Core `HttpContext` class.

- `Items` property in ASP.NET Core `HttpContext` class.

- `TempData` property in ASP.NET Core `Controller` class.

- `TempData` property in ASP.NET Core `WebApi` controller.

2. Select the options under **Method invocations from the original application to the extracted service**. Consider the following limitations for each method.

   How Microservice Extractor extracts the service code repository:

   - **Extract as a microservice with remote endpoints** — network calls can add additional overhead to user requests. Manual verification and refactoring may be required to ensure accuracy.

   - **Extract as a library** — code duplication from manual refactoring may introduce conflicting states in the application.

   How Microservice Extractor processes the original monolithic application repository:

   - **Refactor the methods in the original monolithic application repository to the methods that call the extracted microservice** — this option is not supported for WCF applications.

   - **Do not refactor the methods** — code duplication from manual refactoring may introduce conflicting states in the application.

3. When you are satisfied with the extraction details, choose **Extract**. The progress of the extraction is displayed at the top of the page . To cancel the extraction, in the extraction progress banner, select **Cancel extraction**. If you cancel the extraction, the extraction configuration is deleted, and you must restart the extraction.

   A successful extraction will display the output location of the extraction in the green status banner. To view the extraction details, choose **View details** on the status banner.

   If the extraction fails, the red status banner displays an error message. Navigate to the **Visualization** page to verify and address issues with the unsupported classes and try again.

View and edit extraction details

You can view the details of the extraction from the **Application details** page by selecting the radio button next to the **Service name** under **Extractions**, and choosing **View details** from the **Actions** dropdown. On the service details page, you can view the **Extraction details** and **Nodes and dependencies**. To edit the extraction details, choose **Re-extract service** from the **Actions** dropdown. You must re-extract a service in order to edit its configuration.

Manually deploy as independent service

To deploy parts of your application as smaller services, we recommend that you set up the following environment:

- Docker version 17.05 installed locally with administrator access
- An AWS profile with an attached policy that grants permissions to write to Amazon Elastic Container Registry and Amazon S3
- Windows Server 2019 or later
- A minimum of 50 GB of free disk space

To deploy the extracted service as an independent service, perform the following high-level steps:

1. Refactor the source code, if necessary, to ensure that the extracted service builds successfully.
2. Navigate to the output location of the extracted service.
3. From the Dockerfile, manually create a Docker container image.
4. Push the Docker container image to Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR).
5. Use CloudFormation to deploy the container image hosted in Amazon ECR to Amazon Elastic Container Service (ECS). For more information, see Using Amazon ECR with Amazon ECS and Creating Amazon ECS resources with CloudFormation.

Failure modes

What used to be called a function call is now a network call. A network call can fail for various reasons; for example, network connectivity, service outages, authentication errors, or unknown server errors. While Microservice Extractor provides some handling for these new types of errors, you may want to update them to accommodate your error-handling scheme.

We recommend copying artifacts or package dependencies that lie outside the scope of the directory of your solution (with the exception of standard "reference assemblies" installed in

known locations) into your solution directory, and adjusting project files to point to the updated location before starting automatic refactoring.

Remove an application from AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

To remove an application from Microservice Extractor, perform the following steps:

1. From the left navigation pane, choose **Applications**.

2. Select the radio button next to the application that you want to remove, and from the **Actions** menu, select **Remove application from list**. When you remove an application, all of the contents in the working directory will be removed, and you will no longer be able to manage the application in Microservice Extractor.

Edit application details

To edit the details of an application, perform the following steps.

1. From the left navigation pane, choose **Applications**.

2. Select the radio button next to the application for which you want to edit the details. From the **Action** menu, select **Edit application details**.

3. On the **Edit details** page, you can update the application **Name** and **Description**, the MSbuild path, and the option to **Analyze .NET Core Portability**.

> ℹ️ **Note**
>
> When you submit the updates, Microservice Extractor performs a new application analysis and refreshes the visualization of the application.

Edit user settings

To change your user settings, perform the following steps.

1. From the left navigation pane of the Microservice Extractor tool, choose **Settings**.

2. On the **Settings** page, select **Edit**.

3. On the **Edit settings** page, you can update your **AWS named profile** and your **Microservice Extractor usage data sharing** option. You cannot change your working directory after your application is set up.

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET security

Cloud security at AWS is the highest priority. As an AWS customer, you benefit from data centers and network architectures that are built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations. Security is a shared responsibility between AWS and you. The shared responsibility model describes this as security of the cloud and security in the cloud:

- **Security of the cloud** – AWS is responsible for protecting the infrastructure that runs AWS services in the AWS Cloud. AWS also provides you with services that you can use securely. Third-party auditors regularly test and verify the effectiveness of our security as part of the AWS Compliance Programs. For more information about the compliance programs that apply to Microservice Extractor, see AWS Services in Scope by Compliance Program.
- **Security in the cloud** – Your responsibility is determined by the AWS service that you use. You are also responsible for other factors including the sensitivity of your data, your company's requirements, and applicable laws and regulations.

This documentation helps you understand how to apply the shared responsibility model when using AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET. The following topics show you how to configure Microservice Extractor to meet your security and compliance objectives. You also learn how to use other AWS services that help you to monitor and secure your Microservice Extractor resources.

Security topics

- Data protection in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET
- Identity and Access Management in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET
- Configuration and vulnerability analysis in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET
- Security best practices

Data protection in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

The AWS shared responsibility model applies to data protection in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET. As described in this model, AWS is responsible for protecting the global infrastructure that runs all of the AWS Cloud. You are responsible for maintaining control over your content that is hosted on this infrastructure. You are also responsible for the security configuration and management tasks for the AWS services that you use. For more information about data privacy,

see the [Data Privacy FAQ](#). For information about data protection in Europe, see the [AWS Shared Responsibility Model and GDPR](#) blog post on the *AWS Security Blog*.

For data protection purposes, we recommend that you protect AWS account credentials and set up individual users with AWS IAM Identity Center or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). That way, each user is given only the permissions necessary to fulfill their job duties. We also recommend that you secure your data in the following ways:

- Use multi-factor authentication (MFA) with each account.
- Use SSL/TLS to communicate with AWS resources. We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
- Set up API and user activity logging with AWS CloudTrail. For information about using CloudTrail trails to capture AWS activities, see [Working with CloudTrail trails](#) in the *AWS CloudTrail User Guide*.
- Use AWS encryption solutions, along with all default security controls within AWS services.
- Use advanced managed security services such as Amazon Macie, which assists in discovering and securing sensitive data that is stored in Amazon S3.
- If you require FIPS 140-3 validated cryptographic modules when accessing AWS through a command line interface or an API, use a FIPS endpoint. For more information about the available FIPS endpoints, see [Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-3](#).

We strongly recommend that you never put confidential or sensitive information, such as your customers' email addresses, into tags or free-form text fields such as a **Name** field. This includes when you work with Microservice Extractor or other AWS services using the console, API, AWS CLI, or AWS SDKs. Any data that you enter into tags or free-form text fields used for names may be used for billing or diagnostic logs. If you provide a URL to an external server, we strongly recommend that you do not include credentials information in the URL to validate your request to that server.

Encryption at rest

Microservice Extractor stores data in two locations. The first one is the working directory for Microservice Extractor on your local system. The data stored here is not encrypted at rest. The second is the Amazon S3 bucket you have configured in Microservice Extractor where source code metadata is stored for analysis. This location is encrypted at rest as follows.

Microservice Extractor automatically enables server-side encryption with Amazon managed keys for new object uploads.

Unless you specify otherwise, objects use SSE-S3 by default to encrypt objects. However, you can choose to configure the service to use server-side encryption with AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) keys (SSE-KMS) instead. For more information, see [Specifying server-side encryption with AWS KMS (SSE-KMS)](#) in S3 User Guide.

AWS KMS is a service that combines secure, highly available hardware and software to provide a key management system scaled for the cloud. Microservice Extractor uses server-side encryption with AWS KMS (SSE-KMS) to encrypt your data. Also, when SSE-KMS is requested for the object, the object checksum as part of the object's metadata, is stored in encrypted form. For more information about checksum, see [Checking object integrity](#) in S3 User Guide.

If you use KMS keys, you can use AWS KMS through the AWS Management Console or the AWS KMS API to centrally create, view, edit, monitor, enable or disable, rotate, and schedule deletion of KMS keys, and define the policies that control how and by whom KMS keys can be used.

Audit their usage to prove that they are being used correctly. Auditing is supported by the AWS KMS API, but not by the AWS KMS management console.

The security controls in AWS KMS can help you meet encryption-related compliance requirements. You can use these KMS keys to protect your data in Microservice Extractor. When you use SSE-KMS encryption, the AWS KMS keys must be in the same Region as selected in the tool.

There are additional charges for using AWS KMS keys. For more information, see [AWS KMS key concepts](#) in the AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide and [AWS KMS pricing](#).

Encryption in transit

Microservice Extractor makes requests to the server over the Transport Layer Security protocol (TLS).

AWS CloudTrail and Microservice Extractor APIs

If you use CloudTrail, you may find that your CloudTrail logs contain API calls related to Microservice Extractor. These calls are:

- StartGroupingAssessment

- CancelGroupingAssessment

- GetGroupingAssessment

Data collected by AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

You can choose to share data when you first set up the Microservice Extractor application. You have the option to turn off usage data sharing by clearing the check box for usage data sharing on the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET **Settings** page .

When usage data sharing is turned on, Microservice Extractor collects the following information when you onboard your source code:

- Success/failure operations performed during onboarding, static code analysis, application build, and graph creation.

- Resources consumed during operations, such as CPU and memory usage.

- Number of nodes and dependencies.

- Number of detected islands.

- Project type, as indicated by the project GUID and the presence of files having known extensions.

- Programming language used.

- Presence of code that likely implements user-interface, data access, and/or service components

Microservice Extractor doesn't collect proprietary information, such as source code. In the case of failure, the tool may collect stack traces to improve product experience.

Identity and Access Management in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) is an AWS service that helps an administrator securely control access to AWS resources. AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET is a standalone application that does not require IAM access control to use resources.

To use Microservice Extractor, you your user must have the correct permissions. These permissions are provided in the [Prerequisites](#) section of this guide.

Configuration and vulnerability analysis in AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

When AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET requires updates, you are notified and must install the latest version of the application upon restart. You maintain the system patching responsibility, per the [shared responsibility model](#).

Security best practices

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET provides security features to consider as you develop and implement your own security policies. The following best practice is a general guideline and doesn't represent a complete security solution. Because this best practice might not be appropriate or sufficient for your environment, treat it as a helpful consideration rather than a prescription.

Implement least privilege access

When you attach the [IAM](#) policies as inline policies to your IAM user, grant only the permissions that are required to perform the specified task. Implementing least privilege access is fundamental in reducing security risk and the impact that could result from errors or malicious intent.

Troubleshooting AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

The following remediation strategies can help you troubleshoot problems with AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.

Troubleshooting topics:

- [AWS profile errors](#)
- [Build failures](#)
- [Extraction errors](#)
- [Application artifact location](#)
- [Onboarding and visualization errors](#)
- [Creating groups](#)
- [Uninstalling application](#)
- [Metrics and logs collected by AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET](#)
- [Questions and feedback](#)

AWS profile errors

Description

An error regarding the specified AWS profile is returned. For example:

```
The specified AWS profile is invalid or does not have permission to send metrics to
 AWS. Please refer to the Microservice Extractor User Guide for instructions on how to
 setup a valid AWS profile for use with Microservice Extractor.
```

Solution

- Verify that you your user has the required permissions. To view the required policies, see the [Microservice Extractor prerequisites](#).

  To provide access, add permissions to your users, groups, or roles:

  - Users and groups in AWS IAM Identity Center:

    Create a permission set. Follow the instructions in [Create a permission set](#) in the *AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide*.

- Users managed in IAM through an identity provider:

  Create a role for identity federation. Follow the instructions in Create a role for a third-party identity provider (federation) in the *IAM User Guide*.

- IAM users:

  - Create a role that your user can assume. Follow the instructions in Create a role for an IAM user in the *IAM User Guide*.

  - (Not recommended) Attach a policy directly to a user or add a user to a user group. Follow the instructions in Adding permissions to a user (console) in the *IAM User Guide*.

- Add a named AWS profile with proper credentials, if required. For more information, see Named profiles in the *AWS CLI User Guide*.

Build failures

Description

The build fails when you attempt to build your repositories.

Solution

Verify the following:

- The application is supported by Microservice Extractor. See Prerequisites for analysis and extraction of monolithic application to view the application prerequisites.

- You have installed MSBuild, and Microservice Extractor is pointing to it on the **Settings** page.

- MSBuild is working properly. Check the MSBuild log on the **Application details** page. If there is no preview, or choosing the log returns an error, then MSBuild is likely failing. Verify that you can build the application manually to see if MSBuild is working properly.

- Microservice Extractor is using the same MSBuild version as your installed version of Visual Studio. If the versions don't match, you can update the MSBuild version used by Microservice Extractor from the **Settings** page.

- Relevant switches are added to the .csproj file so that the default msbuild operation can use them. By default, Microservice Extractor appends the `RestorePackagesConfig` and `restore` switches to restore NuGet packages during build.

Extraction errors

Description

When you attempt to extract segments of your code as independent services, an error is returned.

Solution

For the following error:

```
Command failed: failed to run build command on ...\MyApp.sln: failed to execute
 command: exec: "msbuild": executable file not found in %PATH%
```

- Verify that you have installed MSBuild and Microservice Extractor is pointing to it on the **Settings** page.

- Add MSBuild to the system path environment variable.

Check logs

- You can determine the cause of most extraction failures by viewing **%USERPORFILE%**\AppData \Roaming\ServiceExtract\logs\Extraction\extract*log. Generally, the last line in this file contains a message with the cause of the error.

- If the error message in the log refers to a build failure, check **%USERPORFILE%**\AppData \Roaming\ServiceExtract\logs\msbuild.log for details. Note that the extraction builds both the new service and the modified original application. The output of each of these builds is sent to msbuild.log.

Application artifact location

To determine the application artifact file location, do the following:

1. Find the application ID in the **Summary** section of the **Application details** page.

2. The directory of the corresponding application is: C:\Users**<username>**\AppData\Roaming \ServiceExtract\version-1\cache\version-**<versionNumber>****<applicationId>**

Onboarding and visualization errors

If you are encountering problems onboarding an application and viewing the visualization, try the following solutions:

1. The metric policy may not be properly configured. Check the Electron main application log to check for the last succeeded state and high-level errors. If the metrics policy is not properly configured, the log file should display many error messages about metrics.

2. Check the directory of the corresponding application ID for the following intermediate artifact files: `edges.csv` and `vertices.csv` inside of the `data-extraction-output` folder.

Creating groups

If you experience problems when creating groups, perform the following steps:

1. Check in the directory for the corresponding application ID for the following intermediate artifact file: `tags.csv` inside of the `tags-data` folder.

2. Verify that the groupings are correctly reflected in the file.

3. Choose **Reset view** to remove all of the groups, and try again.

Uninstalling application

If you encounter issues when attempting to uninstall the application as a non-admin user when using the **Apps and Features** interface in Windows, perform the following steps:

1. Open **Control Panel**>**Uninstall a program**. Or, choose the **Windows** icon>**Run**> and enter `appwiz.cpl`.

2. Choose **AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET** from the list of installed applications, and select **Uninstall** to remove the application and its installation files.

Metrics and logs collected by AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET collects the following files from `C:\Users\`**`<username>`**`\AppData\Roaming\ServiceExtract\logs` on the server or desktop where the tool runs:

- `logs*.log`
- `logs\ProcessOrchestrator*.log`
- `logs\Extraction*.log`
- `logs\PortingAssistant*.log`

Questions and feedback

If you have questions that are not addressed in the AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET technical documentation, contact `<aws-microservice-extractor-support@amazon.com>`.

You can also provide feedback by choosing **Feedback** in the upper right-hand corner of this page.

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET version history

The following table describes the released versions of AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.

Version	Details	Release date
2.1.6	• Fixed bug to properly enforce that only supported versions of .NET are targeted in input source code.	March 6, 2025
2.1.4	• Clean up code for simplity and robustness.	September 9, 2024
2.1.3	• Fixed bug where log data was not uploaded when data sharing was enabled by customer.	May 20, 2024
2.1.2	• Fix the error when retrying API calls: retryCondition is not a function.	January 25, 2024
2.1.1	• Improved the responsiveness of visualization canvas where there are 100+ nodes on a single layer • Added APIs tab to view solution APIs	December 13, 2023
2.1.0	• Added support for .NET 8	November 18, 2023
2.0.0	• Integrated porting assessment and porting actions	November 9, 2023

Version	Details	Release date
	• Added APIs tab to view solution APIs • Added porting assessmen t overview and actions to Application Details tab	
1.9.2	• Added support for HTTPS inspecting proxies. • Fixed an issue where projects were not getting detected due to flat folder structure.	September 14, 2023
1.9.1	• Improved the responsiv eness of visualization when the user double-clicks on a node. • Fix bugs in sending metrics.	August 30, 2023
1.9.0	• Support for visualizing very large applications with up to 50,000 classes through scalable backend. • Updated IAM policy. • Support for server-side encryption with choices of Amazon S3 managed encryption keys (SSE-S3) and AWS Key Management Service keys (SSE-KMS).	August 25, 2023

Version	Details	Release date
1.8.6	• The embedded strangler fig porting capabilities now use Porting Assistant for .NET version 2.13. • Performance improveme nts for application analysis workflow.	July 26, 2023
1.8.5	• Updated look for select UI elements. • Bug fixes and improveme nts for visualization. • Fixed an issue where Microservice Extractor may not detect that credentials were invalid/expired. • Fixed an issue with notificat ion flash bar when .NET Core portability assessmen t fails.	July 13, 2023

Version	Details	Release date
1.8.4	• New look for incoming and outgoing dependancies in visualization. • Unified the background color/style when dialogs appear. • Added ability to filter by Groups in addition to Projects and Namespaces. • Updates to visualization legend to reflect recent changes in the UI. • The user can now visualize an application even if .NET Core portability assessment is still in progress.	June 19, 2023
1.8.3	• Update maximum node/ edge count limits and disable automated grouping if they are exceeded.	June 6, 2023
1.8.2	• Remove the 'Application Type' column on applications page. • Send logs when Microservice Extractor is closed. • Bug fixes and improvements in automated grouping.	May 22, 2023

Version	Details	Release date
1.8.1	• Bug fixes and improvements on application details page. • Bug fixes with canvas.	May 2, 2023
1.8.0	• Added node filtering update to include filtering by project or namespace • Added grouping options to include projects and groups, namespaces, and class	April 24, 2023
1.7.2	• Disable extraction of empty groups. • Bug fixes and improvements with canvas. • Make automated grouping an async process. • Migrate React Router from v5 to v6.	March 8, 2023

Version	Details	Release date
1.7.1	• Re-implement packaging .net in Telemetry .exe. • Update the interval of checking automated grouping job status to 60 seconds. Update the total time of checking automated grouping job status to 2 hours. • Set the release message when needed. • Fixed extraction failure due to accented character in the path.	January 25, 2023
1.7.0	• Added AI-powered automated refactoring recommendations.	November 18, 2022

Version	Details	Release date
1.6.0	• Listed detected application features in onboarding report. • Bundled Porting Assistant for .NET, and added extract and port operation. • Added the option to extract code without creating HTTP endpoints. • Visualization updates for [ASP.NET Web Forms and WCF applications.](#) **Bug fixes** • Fixed onboarding errors for solutions containing invalid .NET projects (for example, C++ and empty projects). • Fixed intermittent extraction status bar update issue. • Addressed some bugs in generated code that implements HTTP communications between monolith and microservice.	November 15, 2022

Version	Details	Release date
1.5.0	- Added heuristics-based refactoring recommendations. - Added support for multiple canvases. - Removed building process from application onboarding. - Visualization identifies node types using icons. - Visualization supports any C# application (not only MVC applications). **Bug fixes** - Improved error messaging. - Fixed various issues related to the visualization UI.	August 2, 2022

Version	Details	Release date
1.3.1	• Expanded support for .NET versions. • Added support for custom MSBuild versions and arguments for each onboarded application. • Added support for configuring AWS profile using short-term credentials and existing AWS CLI/SDK credentials. **Bug fixes** • Fixed issues with island detection for some large applications. • Fixed issues with changing MSBuild path across software relaunches. • Improved messaging for onboarding and extraction failures. • Fixed issue with extraction.	April 7, 2022
1.2.1	Added support for short-term credentials.	January 13, 2022

Version	Details	Release date
1.1.0	**Bug fixes** • Provided a way to avoid long path errors when onboarding applications. • Fixed intermittent, uncaught Java exceptions.	December 27, 2021
1.0.1	**Bug fix** • Mitigated Apache Log4j security vulnerability (CVE-2021-44228).	December 13, 2021
1.0.0	Initial release	November 30, 2021

AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET User Guide document history

The following table describes the documentation for this release of AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.

- **API version: latest**

- **Latest documentation update:** March 6, 2025

Change	Description	Date
[Filtering nodes by project and namespace](#)	You can apply filters to the visualization to see only namespace or projet nodes.	April 17, 2023
[IAM best practices updates](#)	Updated guide to align with the IAM best practices . For more information, see [Security best practices in IAM](#).	February 15, 2023
[Automated refactoring recommendations](#)	You can start refactoring an older monolithic application with no familiarity with its original architecture or retrofitted features.	November 18, 2022
[.NET 7 support](#)	You can visualize and extract .NET version 7.0 applications using AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET.	November 15, 2022
[AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET integration with Porting Assistant for .NET](#)	You can leverage the functionality of Porting Assistant for .NET during the	November 15, 2022

porting and extraction of your
monolithic applications.

[AWS Microservice Extractor for .NET general availability](#)	You can reduce the time and effort required to break down large, monolithic applications running on the AWS Cloud or on premises into smaller, independent services.	November 30, 2021