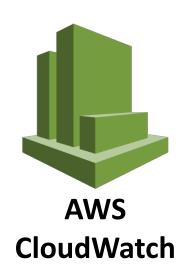
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## CloudWatch Basics 101

### What is AWS CloudWatch?

With Amazon CloudWatch you can monitor your Amazon Web Services (AWS) resources and the applications you run on AWS in real time

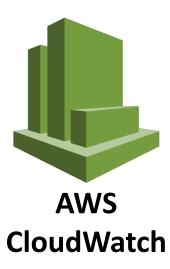
You can create alarms which watch metrics and send notifications or automatically make changes to the resources you are monitoring when a threshold is breached



i.e. watch CPU usage of EC2 instances -> ASGs

### What is AWS CloudWatch?

- You can also use this data to stop under-used instances to save money with auto-scaling polices (remember the min/desired/max EC2 instances example)
- AWS CloudWatch can be accessed and used:
  - AWS CloudWatch console
  - AWS CLI
  - CloudWatch API
  - AWS SDKs



### Where can I use CloudWatch?

- Amazon EC2 Auto Scaling
  - automatically launch or terminate EC2 instances based on user-defined policies
- CloudTrail
  - CloudWatch writes log files to the S3 bucket specified when you configured CloudTrail



- Amazon SNS
  - send messages when an alarm threshold has been reached

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# Thank you