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- CS 470 Fullstack 2: Final Reflection
- Presentation Video
- Experiences and Strengths: Explain how this course will help you in reaching your professional goals.
 - What skills have you learned, developed, or mastered in this course to help you become a more marketable candidate in your career field?
 - I've learned about the workflows and tools for containerizing an app, orchestrating a few containers, as well as moving the full stack app to AWS cloud services utilizing IAM, S3, Lambda, DynamoDB, and API Gateway.
 - Describe your strengths as a software developer.
 - I enjoy problem solving
 - I can quickly accept abstractions, I don't get bogged down in minutia
 - I am security minded, considering security actively while also focusing on functionality
 - Identify the types of roles you are prepared to assume in a new job.
 - Cloud Application Developer
 - Cloud Engineer
- **Planning for Growth:** Synthesize the knowledge you have gathered about cloud services.
 - Identify various ways that microservices or serverless may be used to produce efficiencies of management and scale in your web application in the future. Consider the following:
 - How would you handle scale and error handling?
 - Setup serverless provider alerts with context so that reaction time can be optimized. For the situations that make sense, setup automatic responses to scale up or down operating like a state machine.
 - How would you predict the cost?
 - Estimate based on previous usage.
 - What is more cost predictable, containers or serverless?
 - Containers are more cost predictable because of the fact a container is only going to use a known quantity of electricity and can't scale.

- Explain several pros and cons that would be deciding factors in plans for expansion.
 - Trusting another party with data
 - Not having redundant locations
 - No scaling
 - Scaling
- What roles do elasticity and pay-for-service play in decision making for planned future growth?
 - The ability to respond to demand instantaneously versus needing an expansion to do so with local resources makes serverless a good choice for most.
 - Pay-for-service costs can be thought of as a subscription that can be turned off but a local solution will require capital investment that will depreciate.