Deploying AWS Lambda Stepby-Step

Create, Configure, and Test Your First Function

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What is AWS Lambda?

- AWS Lambda is a serverless compute service.
- Runs code without provisioning servers
- Triggers from events (e.g., S3, API Gateway)
- Supports multiple languages (Python, Node.js, etc.)

Prerequisites

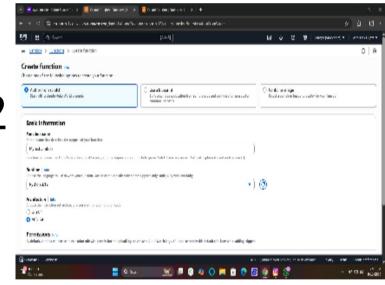
- AWS Account
- Basic knowledge of programming (e.g., Python, Node.js)
- IAM Permissions to access Lambda and CloudWatch

Step 1 - Log in to AWS Console

- Go to: https://console.aws.amazon.com
- 1. Sign in with your AWS credentials
- 2. Navigate to AWS Lambda from the Services menu

Step 2 - Create a Lambda Function

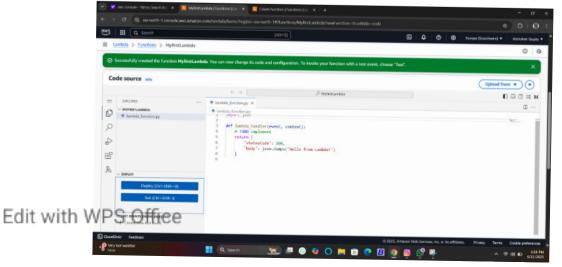
- Click Create Function
- Choose: Author from scratch
- Name: MyFirstLambda
- - Runtime: e.g., Python 3.12
- Execution Role:
- Choose existing or
- Create new role with basic Lambda permissions





Step 3 - Write Your Code

- Inline Editor:
- def lambda_handler(event, context):
- return {
- 'statusCode': 200,
- 'body': 'Hello from Lambda!'
- }
- Click Deploy to save the code

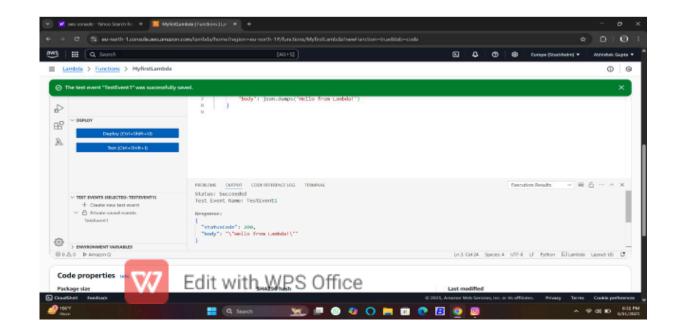


Step 4 - Configure a Test Event

- Click Test
- Create a new test event (use default or add sample JSON)
- Name: TestEvent1
- Click Test again to run your Lambda

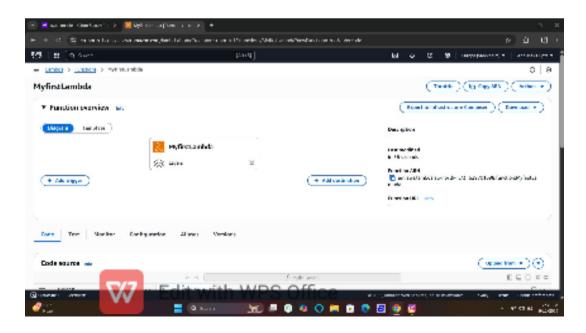
Step 5 - Check the Output

- View:
- Execution result
- Log output (CloudWatch)
- Response, duration, memory used



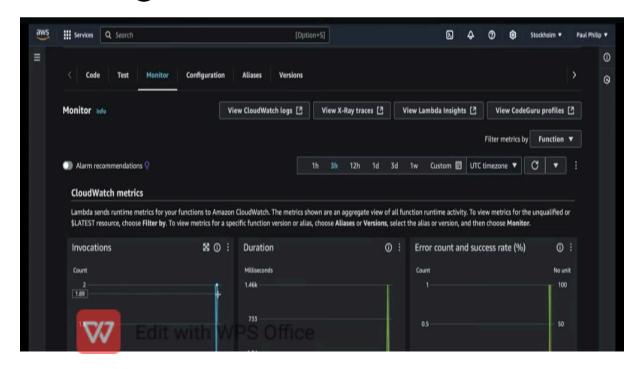
Step 6 - Trigger Setup (Optional)

- Add Trigger (e.g., S3, API Gateway)
- Go to the Configuration > Triggers
- Click Add Trigger
- Choose a service and configure details



Step 7 - Monitor with CloudWatch

- Logs are auto-sent to CloudWatch
- Go to Monitor tab
- Or open CloudWatch > Logs
- View function logs and metrics



Summary

- Created Lambda function
- Deployed simple code
- Tested and viewed logs
- (Optional) Set up triggers

Next Steps

- Try real use cases:
- Integrate with API Gateway
- Connect to DynamoDB or S3
- Add environment variables, layers

