

Section 10: Other Compute services:

EC2, Lambda, Batch, Lightsail

What is Docker?

- Docker is a software development platform to deploy app.
- Apps are packaged in containers that can be run on any OS.
- Apps run the same, regardless of where they're run
 - Any machine
 - No Compatibility issues
 - Predictable behaviour
 - Less work
 - Easier to maintain and deploy
 - Works with any language, any OS, any technology.
- Scale containers up & down very quickly (seconds)

Where Docker images are stored?

- Docker images are stored in Docker Repositories.

- Public : Docker Hub <https://hub.docker.com/>

- Find base images for many technologies

- * or OS:

- Ubuntu

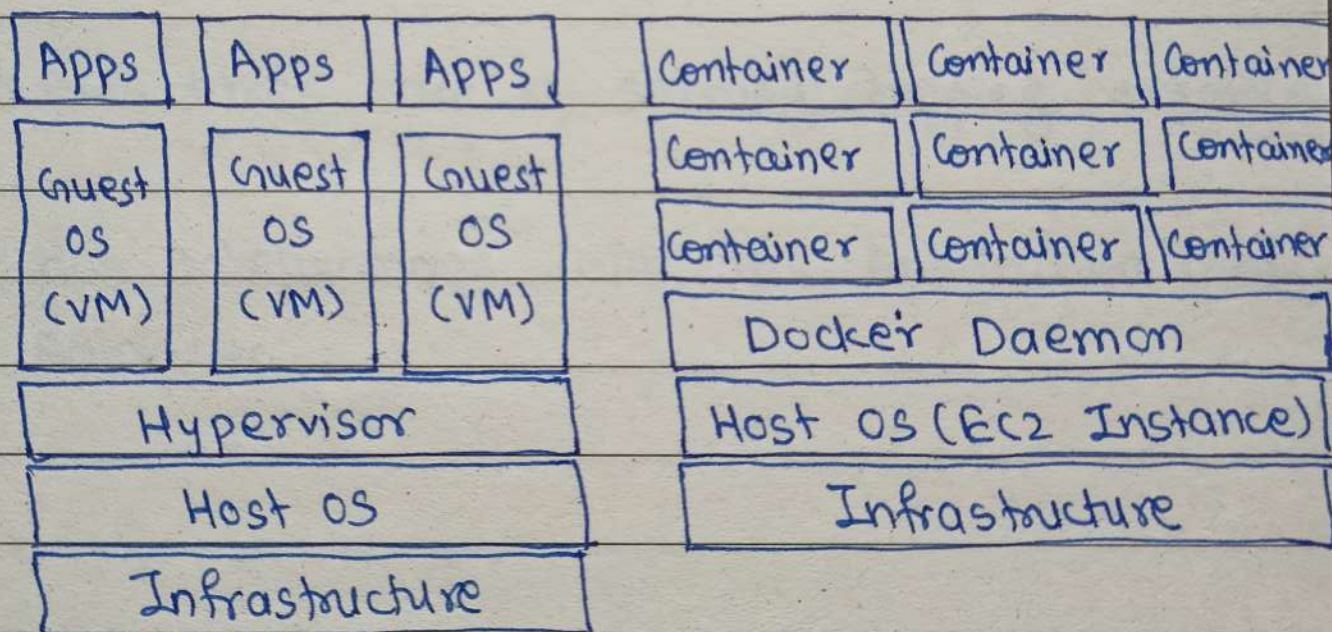
- MySQL

- NodeJs, Java,

- Private : Amazon ECR (Elastic Container Registry)

Docker versus Virtual Machines

- Docker is "sort of" a virtualization technology but not exactly
- Resources are shared with the host \Rightarrow many containers on one server



ECS

- ECS = Elastic Container Service.
- Launch Docker containers on AWS.
- You must provision & maintain the infrastructure (the EC2 instances)
- AWS takes care of starting/stopping containers.
- Has integrations with the Application Load Balancer.

Fargate

- Launch Docker containers on AWS.
- You do not provision the infrastructure (no EC2 instances to manage) - simpler!
- Serverless offering
- AWS just runs containers for you based on the CPU/RAM you need.

ECR

- Elastic Container Registry.
- Private docker Registry on AWS.
- This is where you store your Docker Images so they can be run by ECS or Fargate.

What is Serverless?

- Serverless is a new paradigm in which the developer's don't have to manage servers anymore. ---
- They just deploy code.
- They just deploy functions!
- Initially ... Serverless == FaaS (Function as a service)
- Serverless was pioneered by AWS Lambda but now also includes anything that's managed: "databases, messaging, storage, etc."
- Serverless does not mean there are no servers
... it means you just don't manage / provision / see them

example of serverless service in AWS:-

1] Amazon S3

2] Fargate

3] DynamoDB

4] Lambda

Lambda Overview

Why AWS Lambda?

1] Amazon EC2 :- Virtual servers in the cloud

- Limited by RAM & CPU
- Continuously running
- Scaling means intervention to add/remove servers.

2] Amazon Lambda :- Virtual functions - no servers to manage!

- Limited by time - short executions
- Run on-demand
- Scaling is automated.

Benefits of AWS Lambda

- Easy Pricing:-

- Pay per request & compute time
- Free tier of 1,000,000 AWS Lambda requests & 4,000,000 GBs of compute service time.

- Integrated with the whole AWS suite of services.

- Event Driven: Functions get invoked by AWS when needed.

This makes it reactive service in AWS

- Integrated with many programming lang.

- Easy monitoring through AWS CloudWatch.

- Easy to get more resources per functions (upto 10GB of RAM)

- Increasing RAM will ~~be~~ also improve CPU & network!

- **Lambda Container Image**

- The container image ~~in~~ must implement the lambda Runtime API.
- ECS / Fargate is preferred for running arbitrary Docker images.

ex:- ① Creating serverless thumbnail
② Serverless cron Job

AWS Lambda Pricing: example

① Pay per calls:-

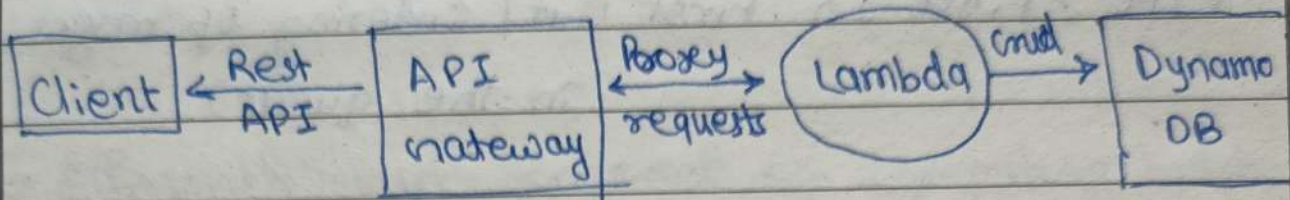
- first 1,000,000 requests are free
- \$0.20 per 1 million request there after

② Pay per duration :-

- 4,00,000 GB-seconds or compute time per month if free.
- == 4,00,000 seconds if function is 1 GB RAM.
- == 3,200,000 seconds if function is 128MB RAM
- After that \$ 0.01 for 6,00,000 GB-seconds.
- It usually very cheap to run AWS Lambda so it's very popular.

Amazon API Gateway

ex:- Building a Serverless API



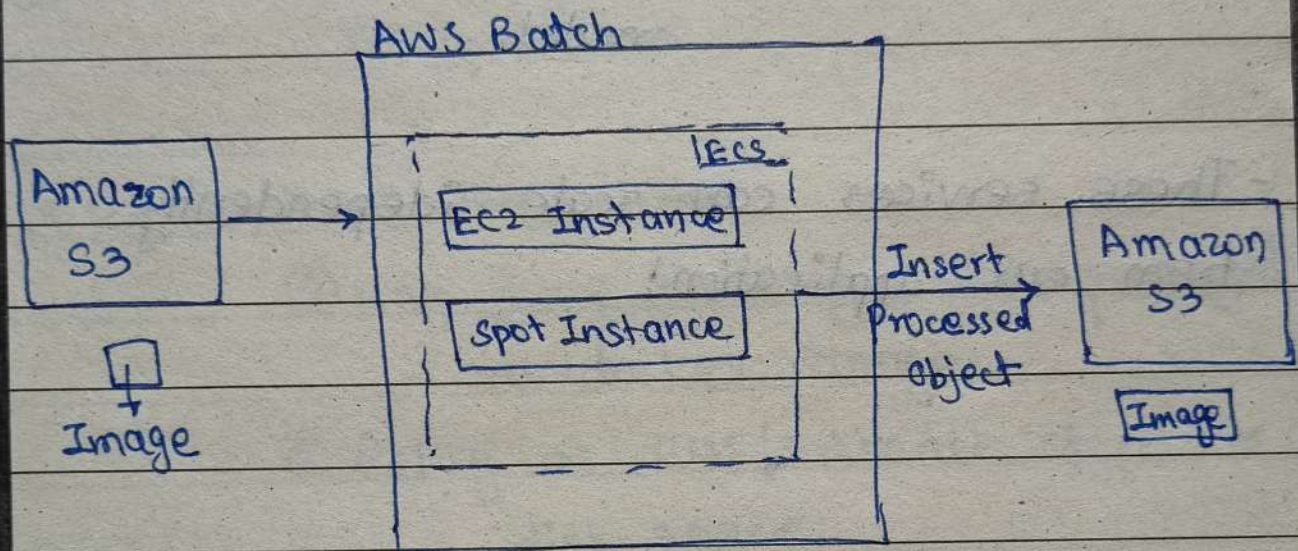
- Fully managed service for developers to easily create, public, maintain, monitor, and secure APIs.
- **Serverless** & scalable
- Supports RESTful APIs & WebSocket APIs.
- Support for security, user Authentication, API throttling, API keys, monitoring....

AWS Batch

- Fully managed batch processing at any scale.
- Efficiently run 100,000s of computing batch jobs on AWS.
- A "batch" job is a job with a start & an end (opposed to continuous)
- Batch will dynamically launch EC2 instances or Spot Instances.
- AWS Batch provisions at right amount of compute memory.
- You submit or schedule batch jobs & AWS Batch does the rest!

- Batch jobs are defined as **Docker images** & **run on ECS**.

- Helpful for cost optimizations & focusing less on the infrastructure.



Batch vs Lambda

① Lambda :- ① Time Limit (15 min)

② Limited runtimes

③ Limited Temporary disk space

④ Serverless

② Batch :- No time limit

② any time as long as its packaged as docker image

③ Rely on EBS/instance store for disk space

④ Relies on EC2 (can be managed by AWS).

↳ for creating new instances but this is also serverless.

Amazon Lightsail

- Virtual serverless, storage, databases & nlw.
- Low & Predictable pricing
- Simpler alternative to using EC2, RDS, ELB, EBS, Route 53.....
- Created for people with little cloud exp.
- Can setup notifications & monitoring of your lightsail & resources.
- High availability but no auto-scaling.
limited AWS integration:

* Use cases :-

- 1] Simple web applications (has templates for LAMP, Nginx, MEAN, Node.js....)
- 2] Websites (templates for wordpress, Magento, Plesk, Joomla)
- 3] Dev/Test environment.

Other Compute - Summary

- ① **Docker** : container technology to run applⁿs.
- ② **ECS** :- run Docker containers on EC2 instances
- ③ **Fargate** :- Run Docker containers without provisioning the infrastructure.
- serverless offering (no EC2 instances)
- ④ **ECR** :- Private Docker Images Repository
- ⑤ **Batch** :- run batch jobs on AWS Across managed EC2 instances.
- ⑥ **Lightsail** :- Predictable & low pricing for simpler applⁿ & DB stacks.

Lambda Summary

lambda is serverless, function as a service, seamless scaling, reactive.

- Lambda Billing :-

- 1] By time run x by the RAM Provisioned.
- 2] By number of invocations.

- Lambda supports many programming lang. except (arbitrary) docker.

- Invocation time :- upto 15 minutes.

- Use Cases :- 1] Create thumbnail for images uploaded onto S3.

2] Run a serverless cron job.

+ API Gateway :- expose lambda functions as HTTP API