



Modern Applications design patterns: Implementing microservice architectures with AWS

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Agenda

Cloud-native modern application design patterns

- API Gateway pattern
- Strangler pattern
- Event Sourcing pattern

Modern application design patterns working with monolithic architectures

Combining multiple design patterns

References

What we're not covering

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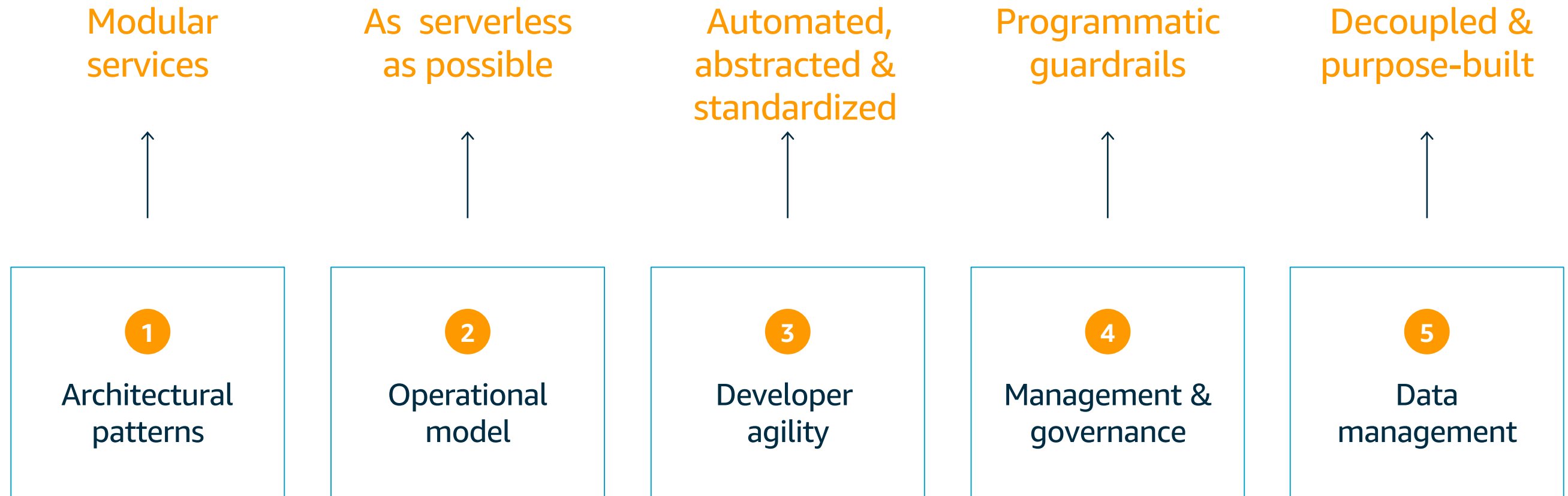
Introduction to AWS services

Best practices for serverless at scale

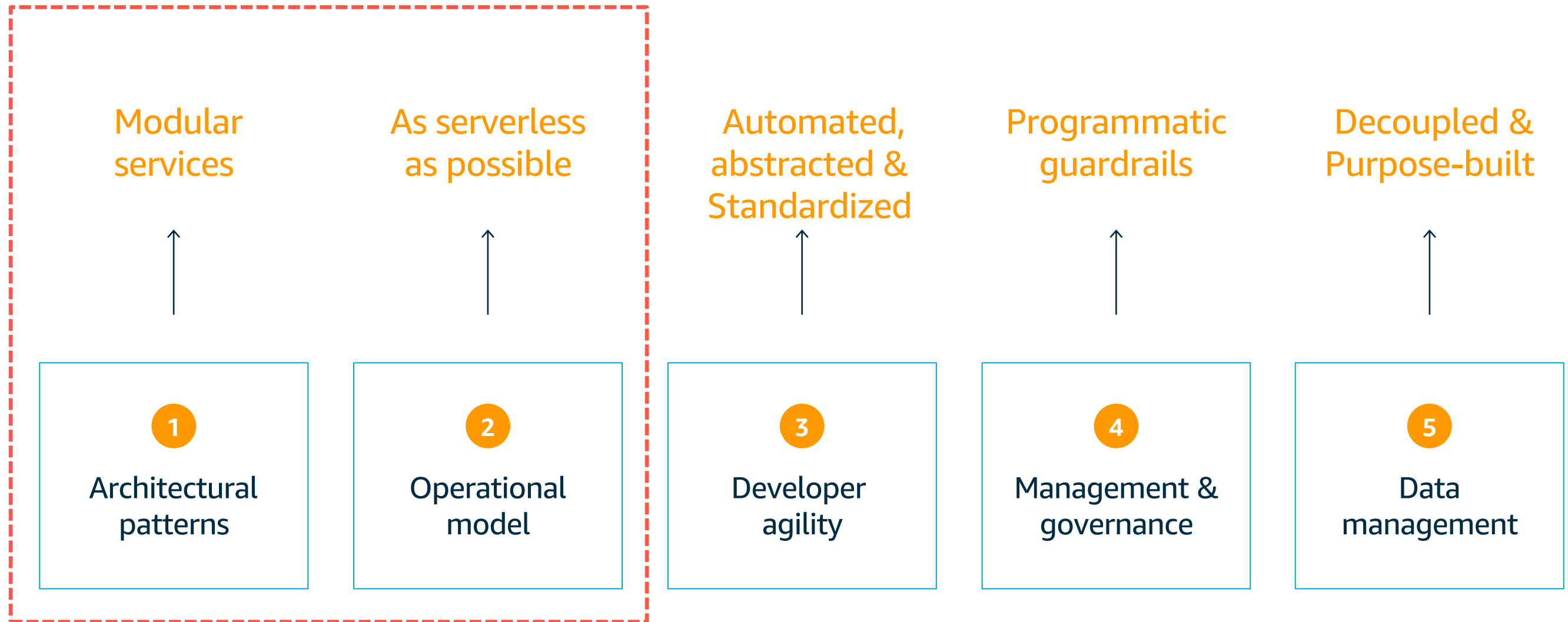
Multi-region design patterns

Polyglot persistence

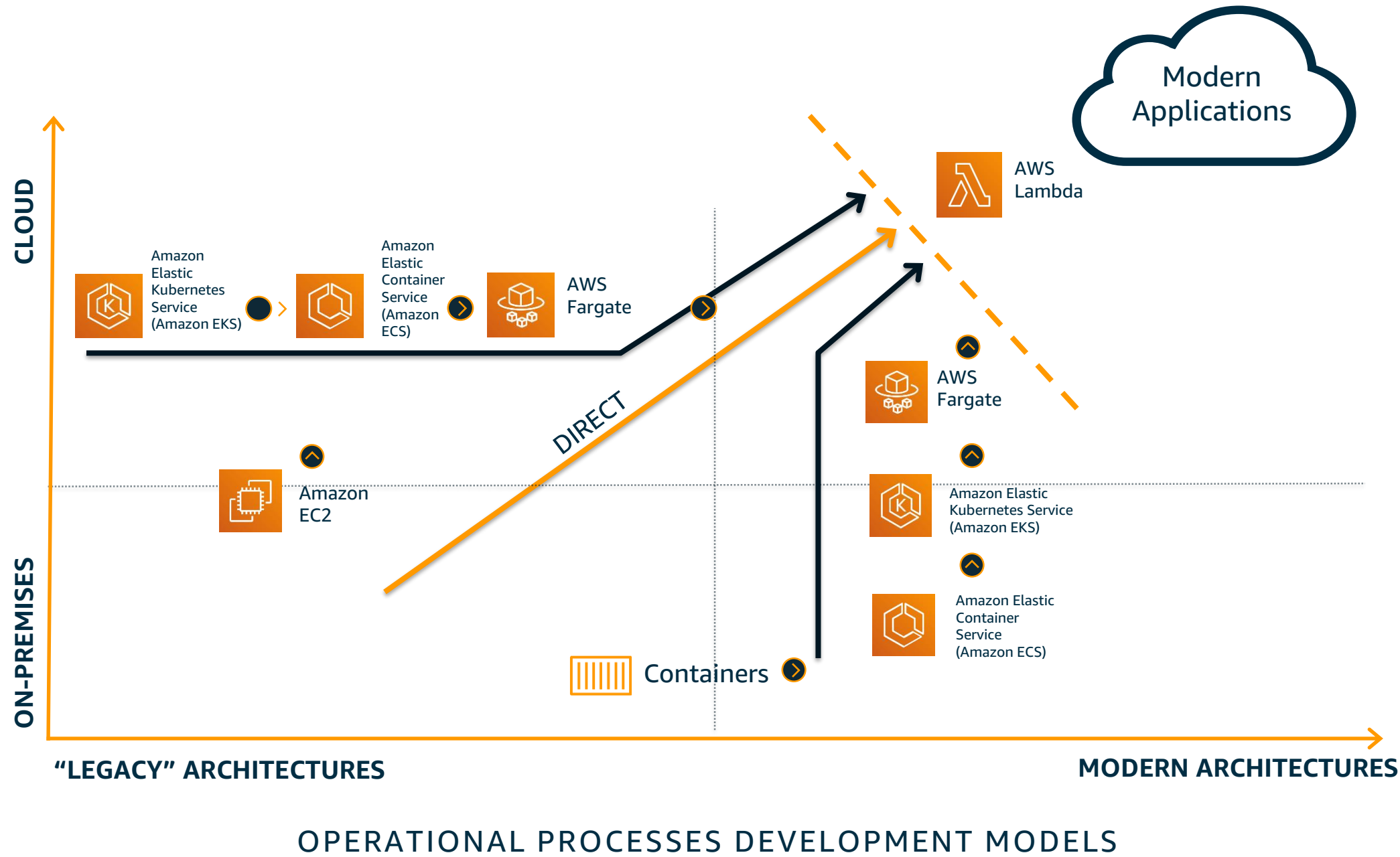
What is the best way to build a modern application ?



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Many paths to modern applications



Compute and operations



Amazon EC2
Infrastructure-as-a-Service



Amazon ECS)/Amazon EKS
*Container-management
as a service*



AWS Fargate
Serverless containers



AWS Lambda
Serverless functions

AWS MANAGES

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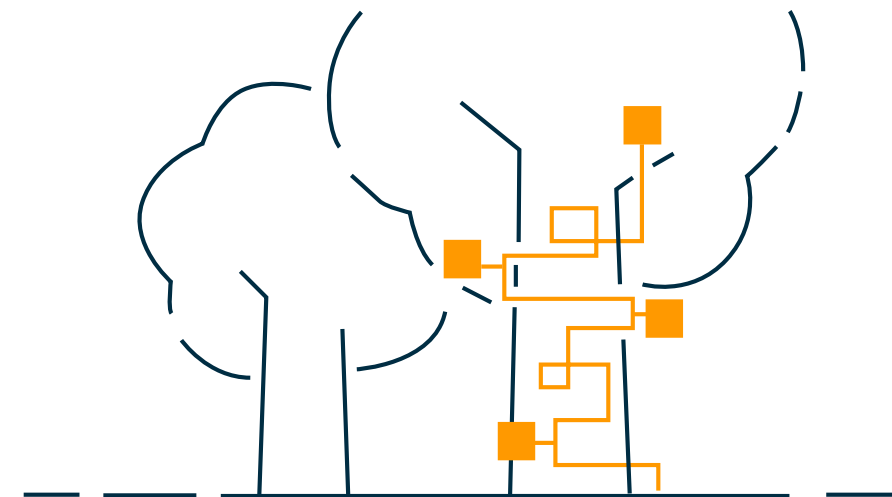
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Architectural patterns



Typically starts with breaking down the monolith

Moving **monolithic** applications to **microservices** by gradually creating events and **APIs** for various components on of the legacy application



THE STRANGLER PATTERN

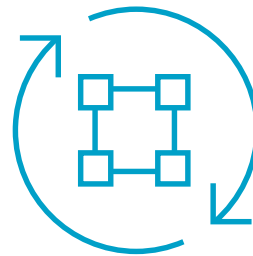
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Monolith to microservices

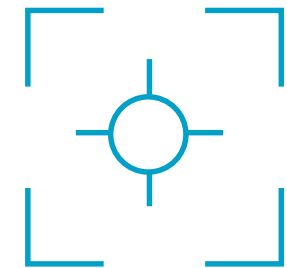
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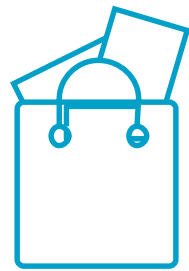
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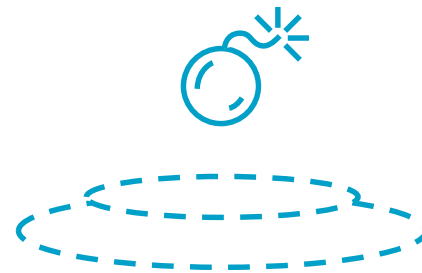
Maximize work
not done

Monolith to microservices

BENEFITS



Frequent
value delivery



Smaller blast
radius of risk



Staged
investments

Breaking up a monolithic applications

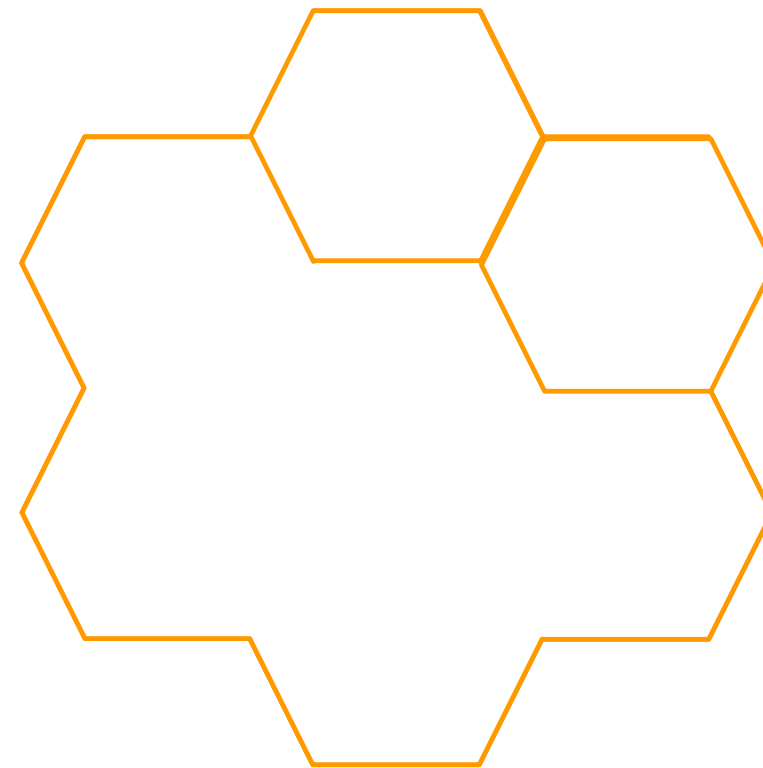
Use **AWS cloud native** services **with** legacy applications

Decouple functionality for quicker/safer development

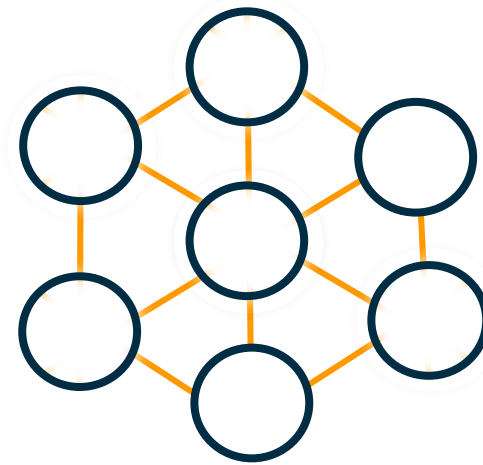
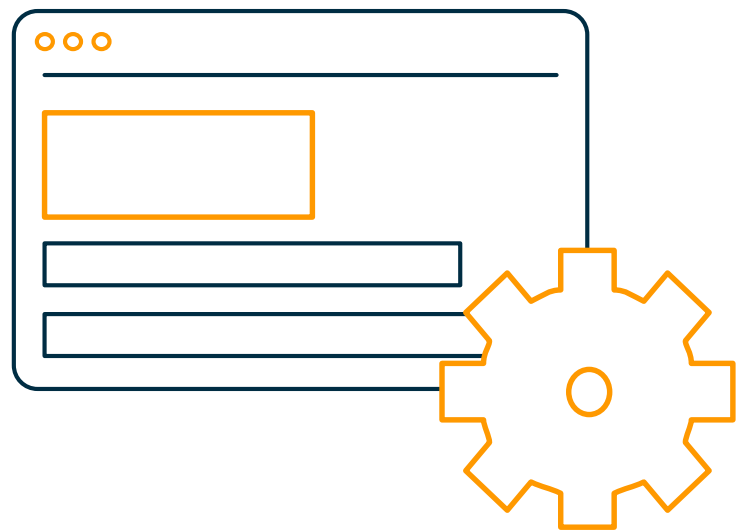
Gradually carve out one task/component at a time to refactor

Design patterns works with cloud or hybrid applications

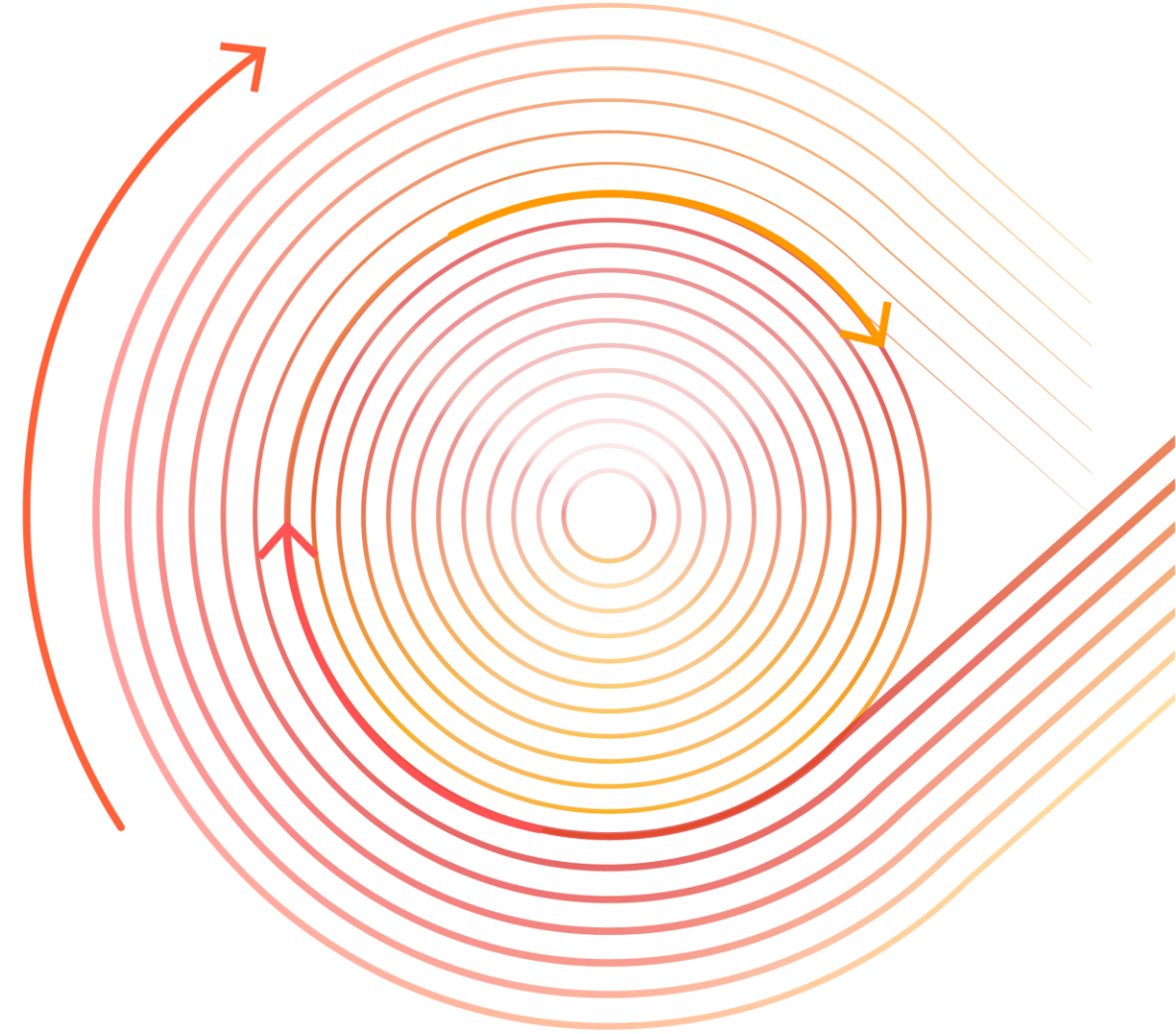
New functionality cloud native



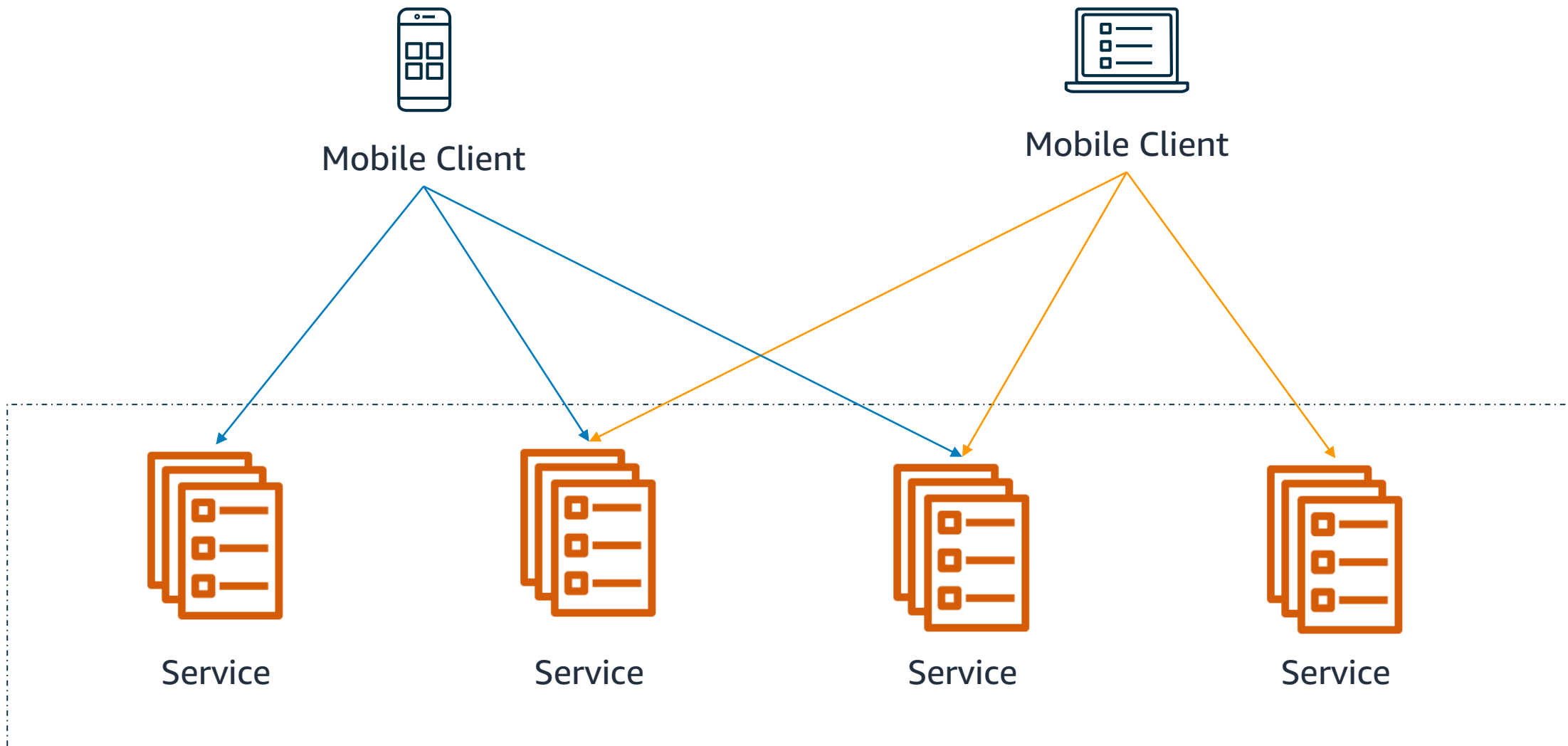
APIs are the front door of microservices



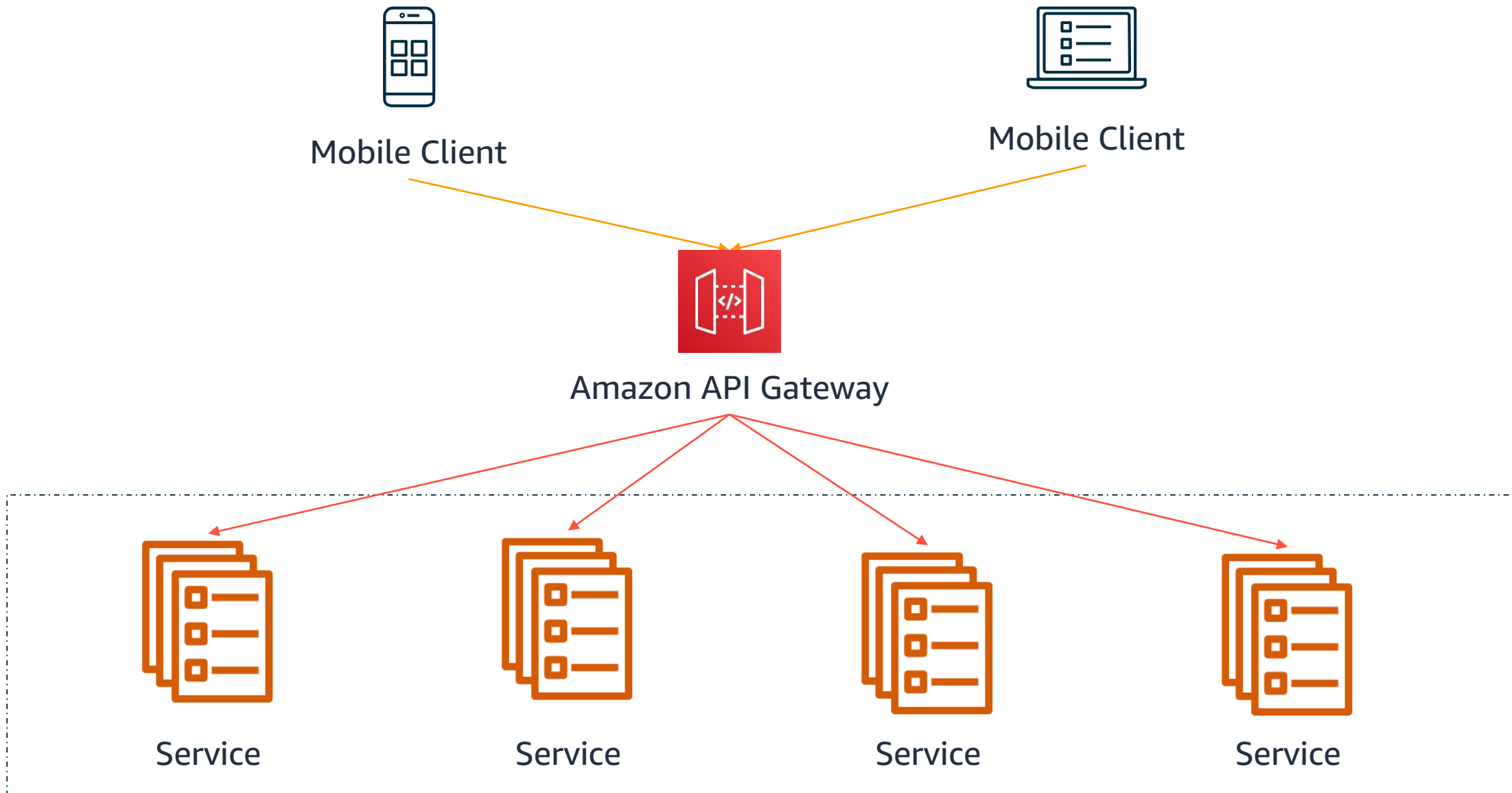
API Gateway pattern



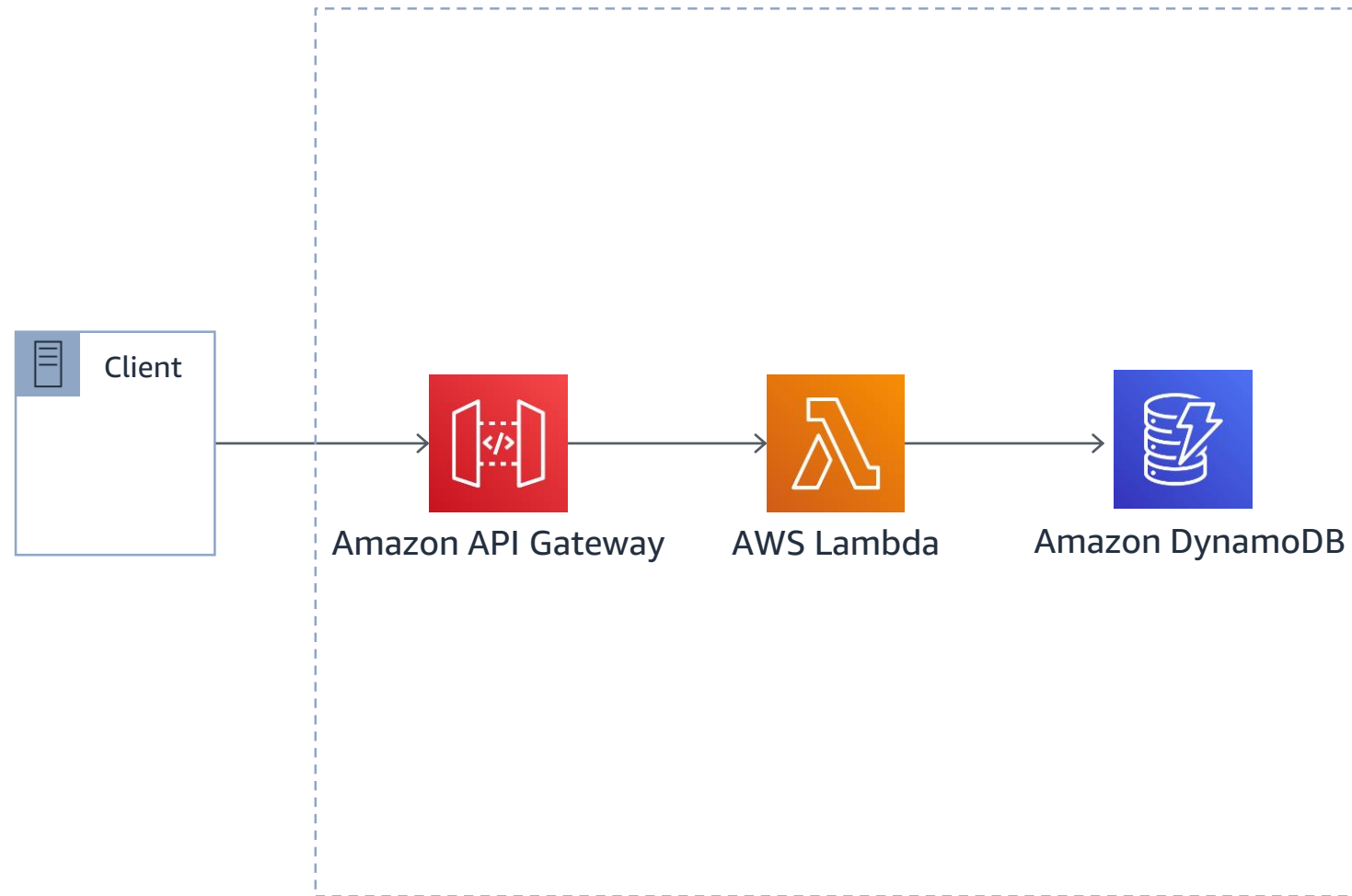
Example: Communication between devices and services (without an API Gateway)



Example: Communication between devices and services (with an API Gateway)



API Gateway pattern (*RESTful*)



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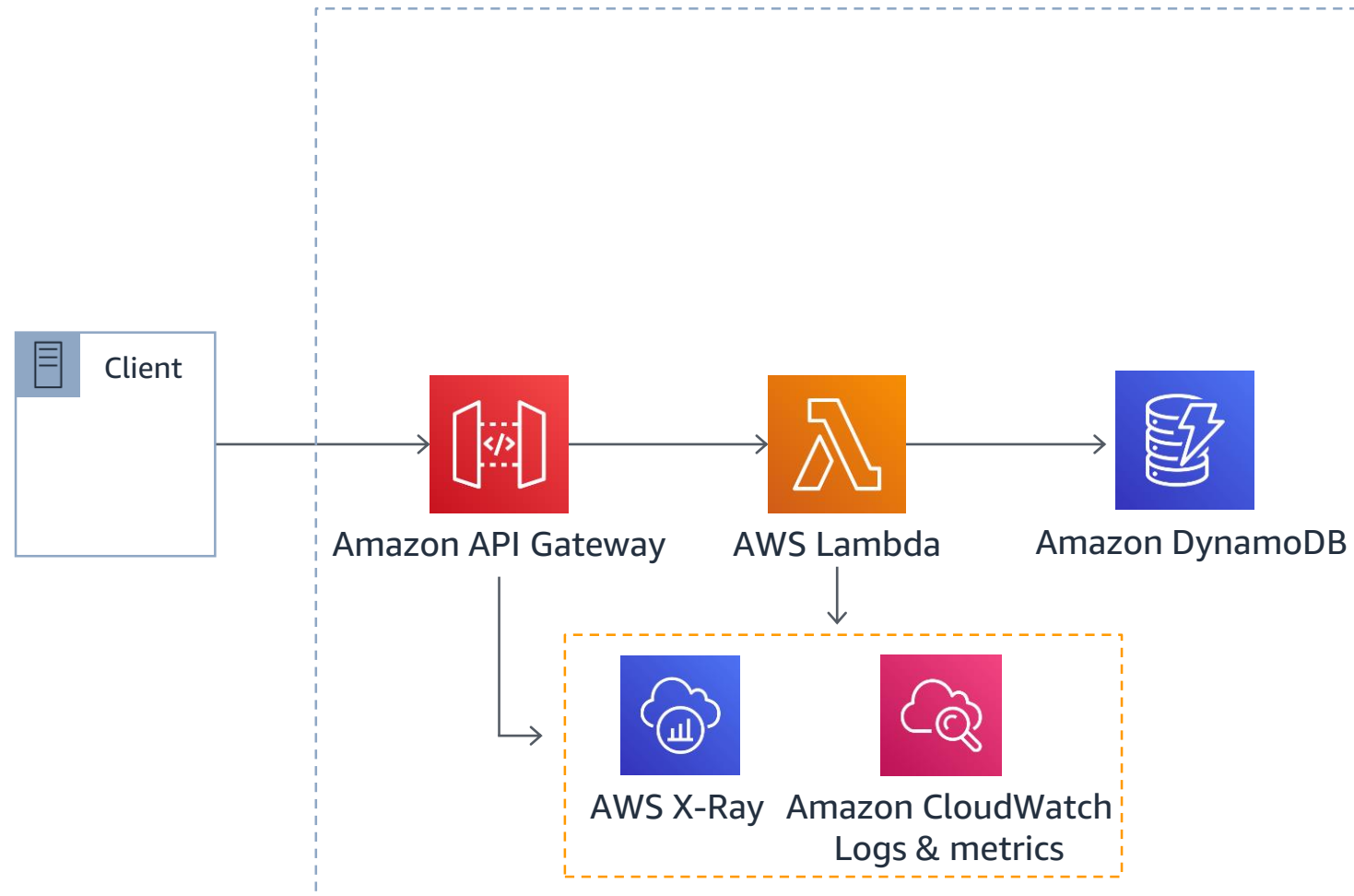
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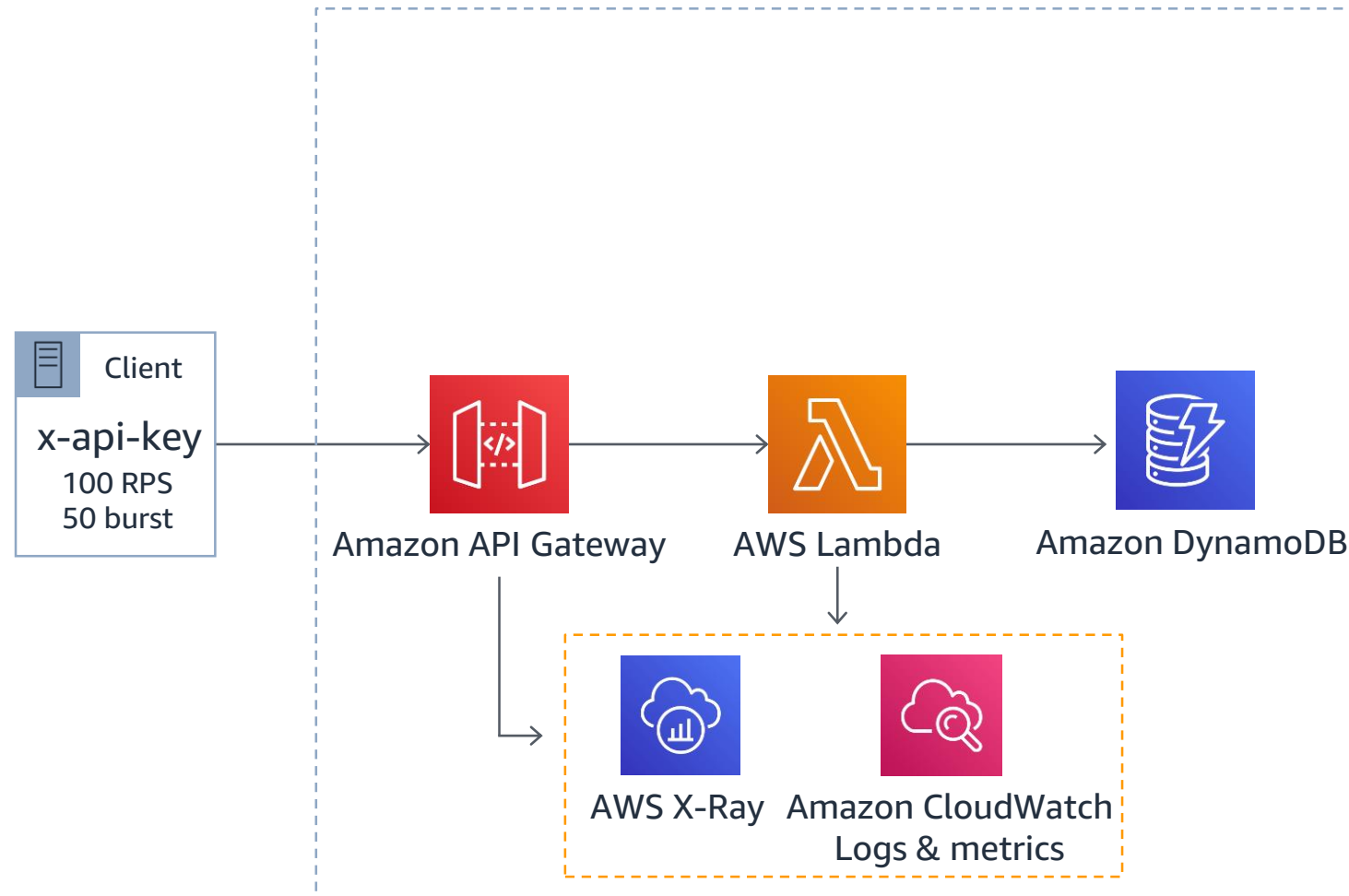
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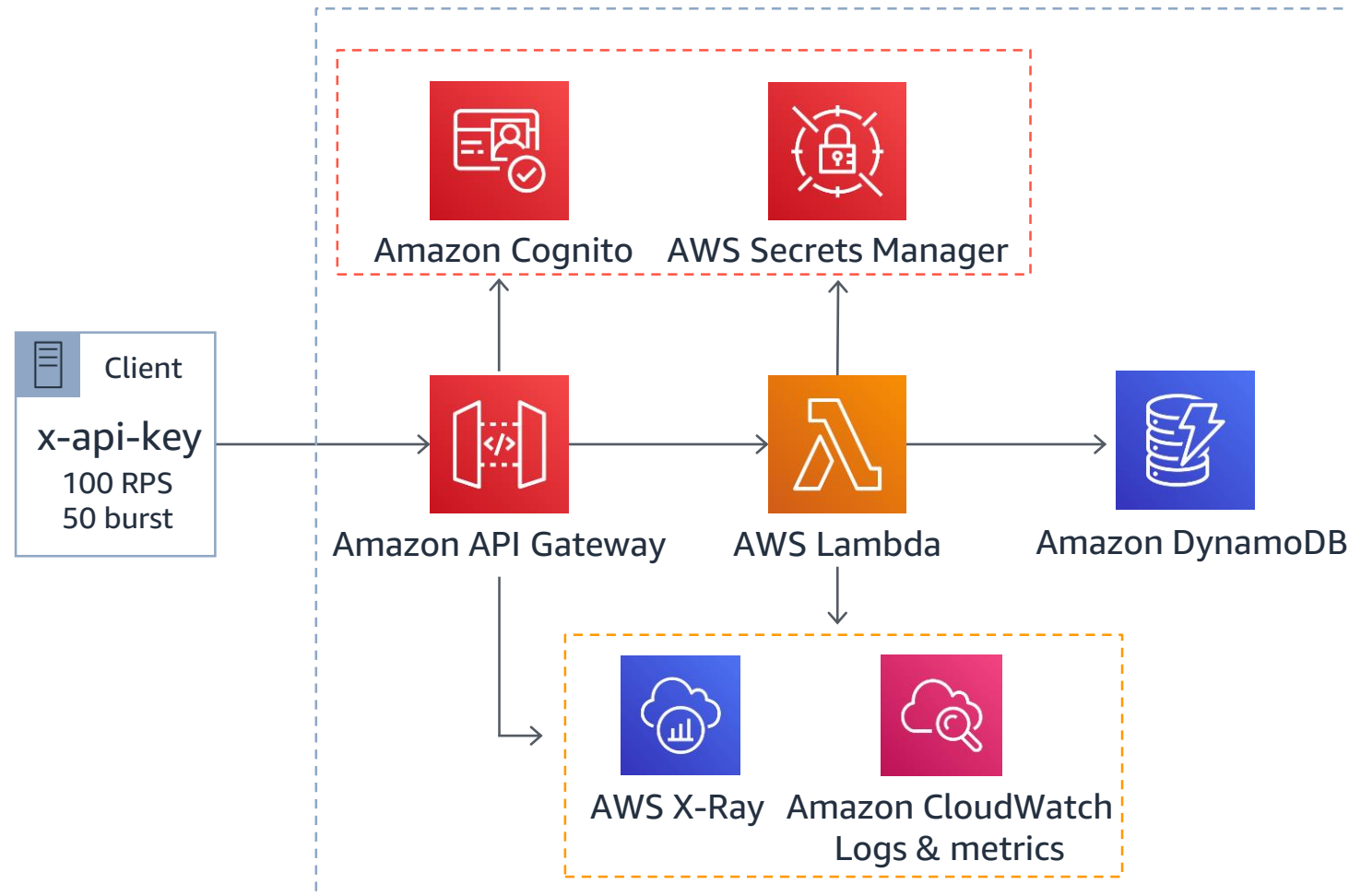
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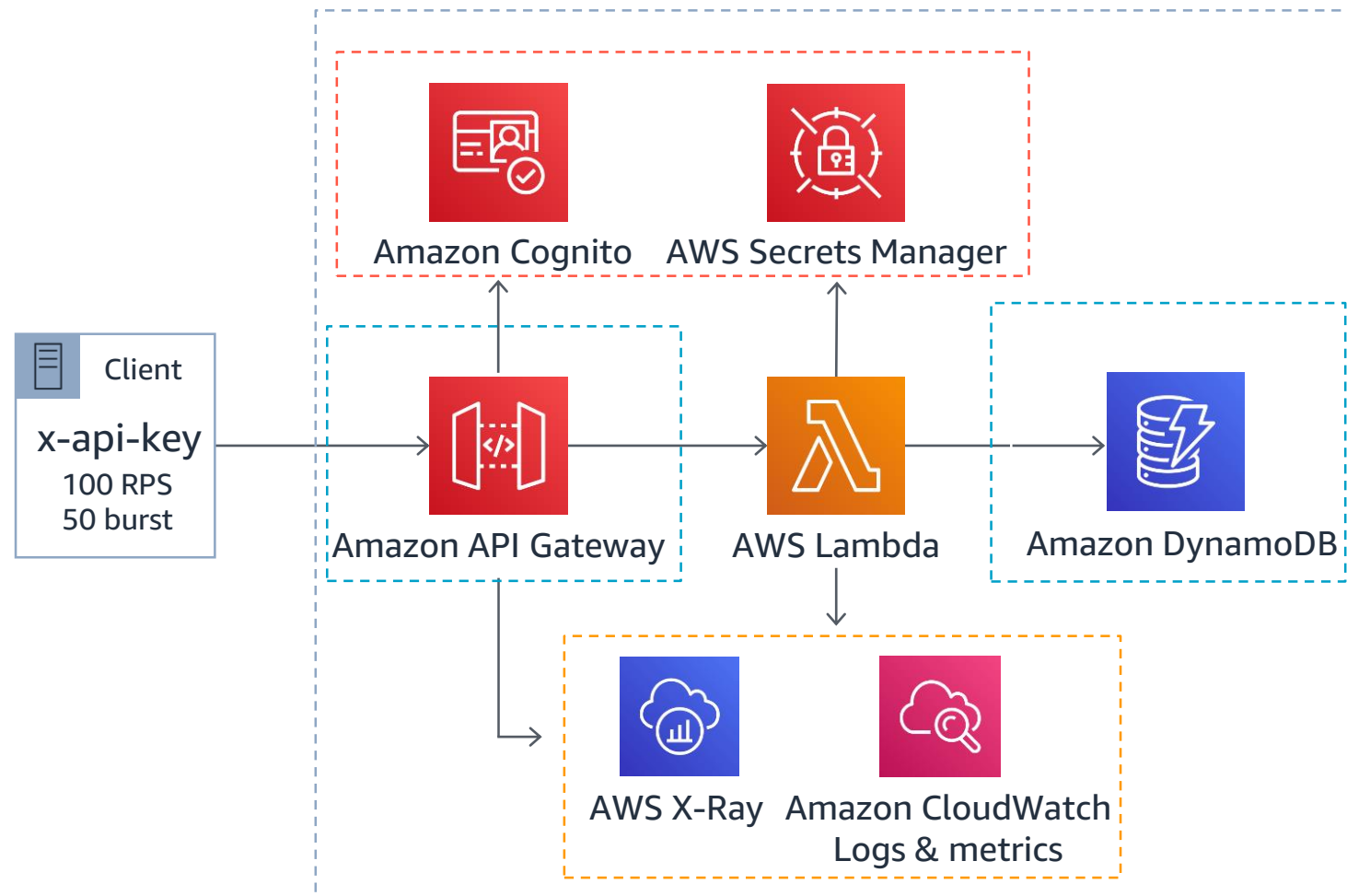
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- Use AWS Lambda Power Tuning for perf/cost tuning

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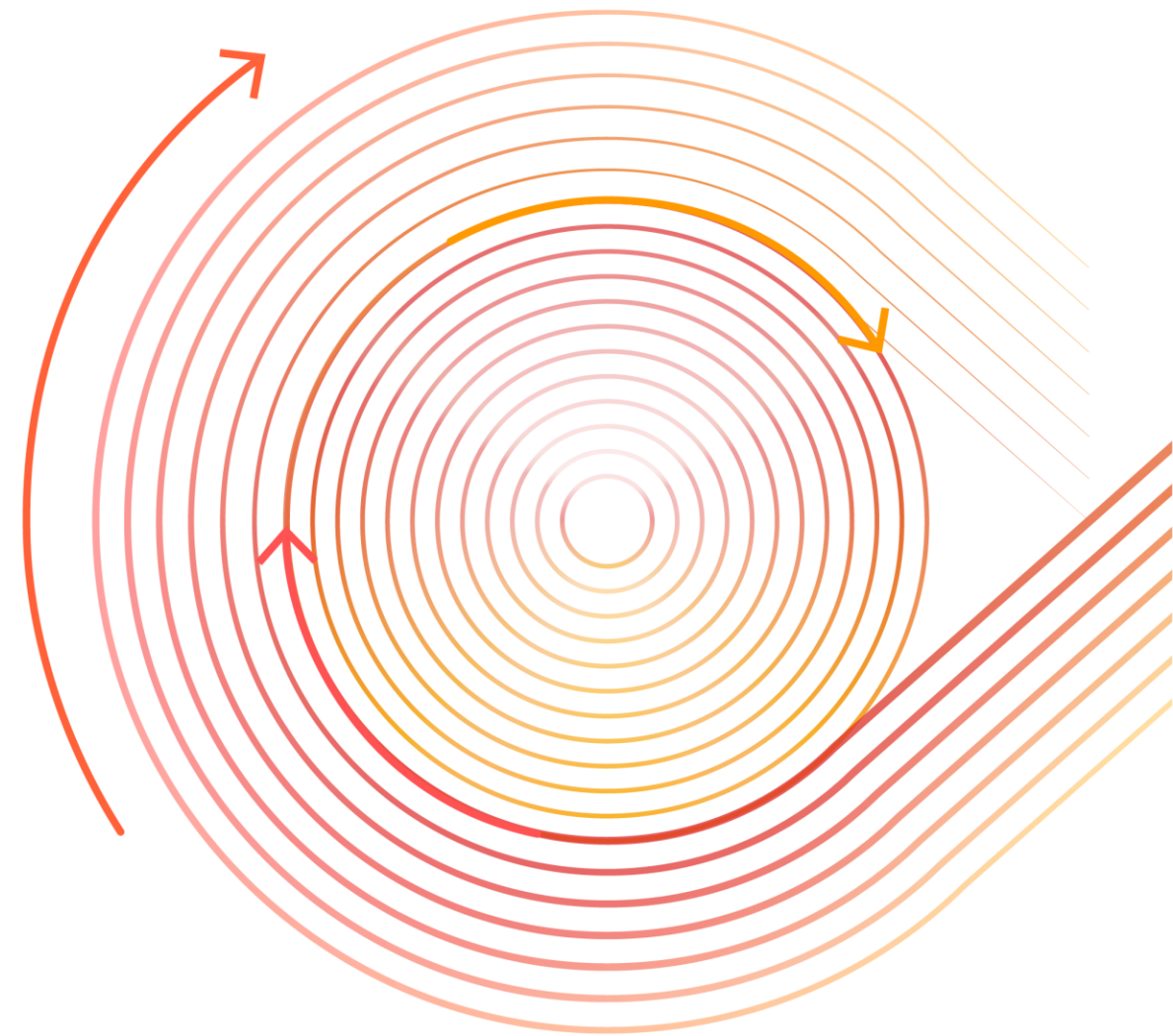
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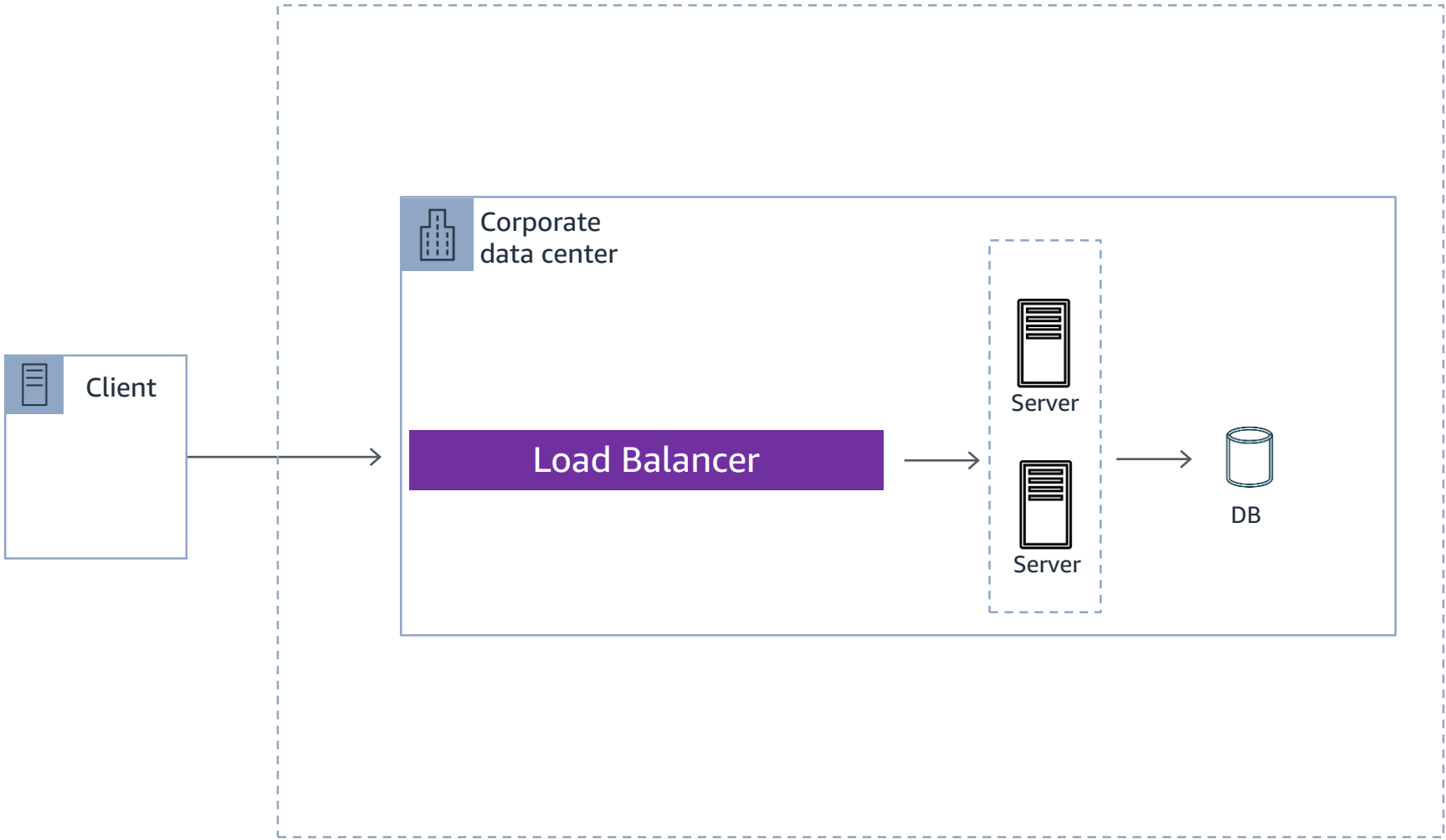


// An alternative route is to **gradually create a system around the edges of the old, letting it grow slowly over several years until the old system is strangled //**

Martin Fowler

Chief Scientist, ThoughtWorks

Strangler pattern



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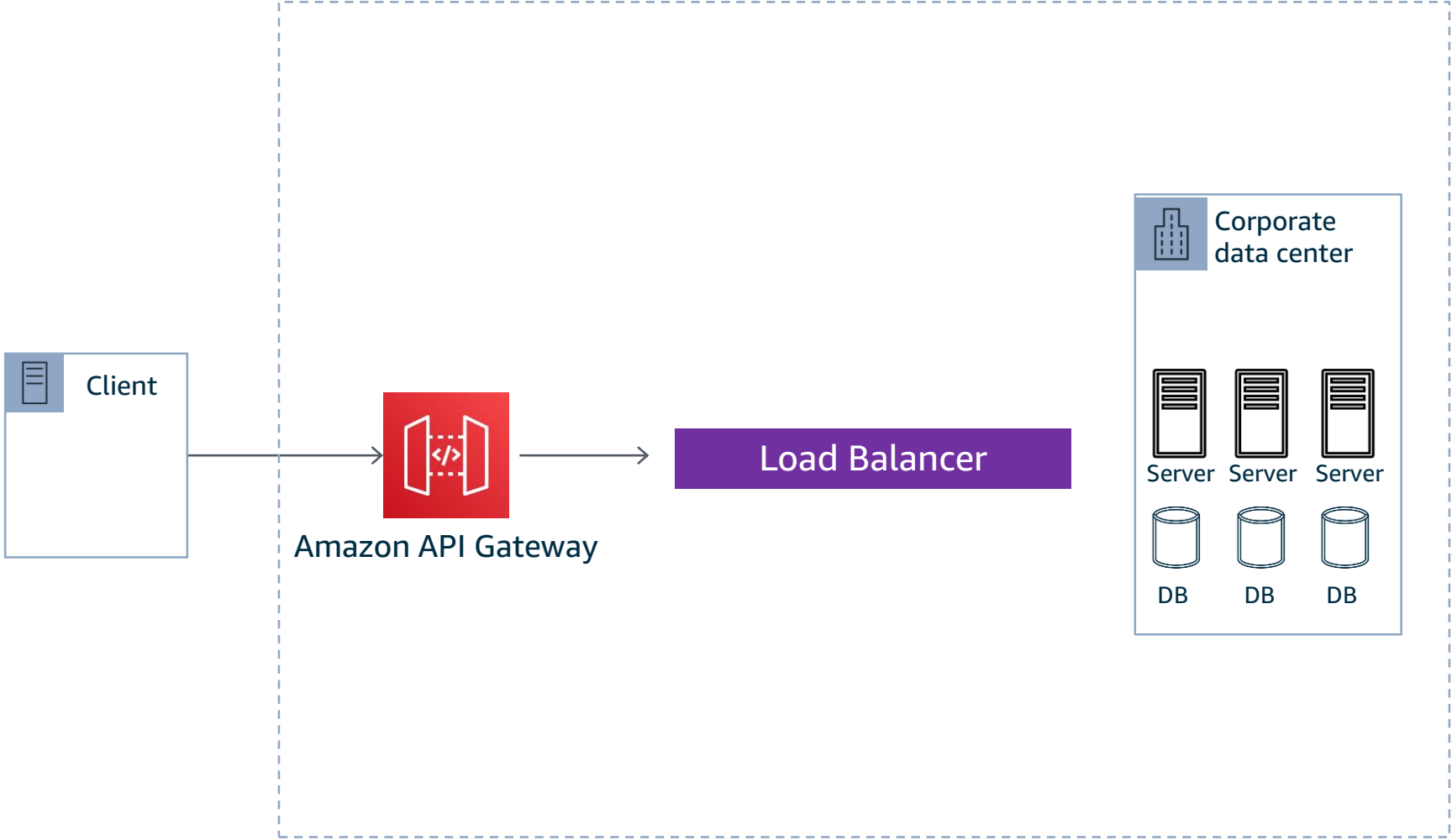
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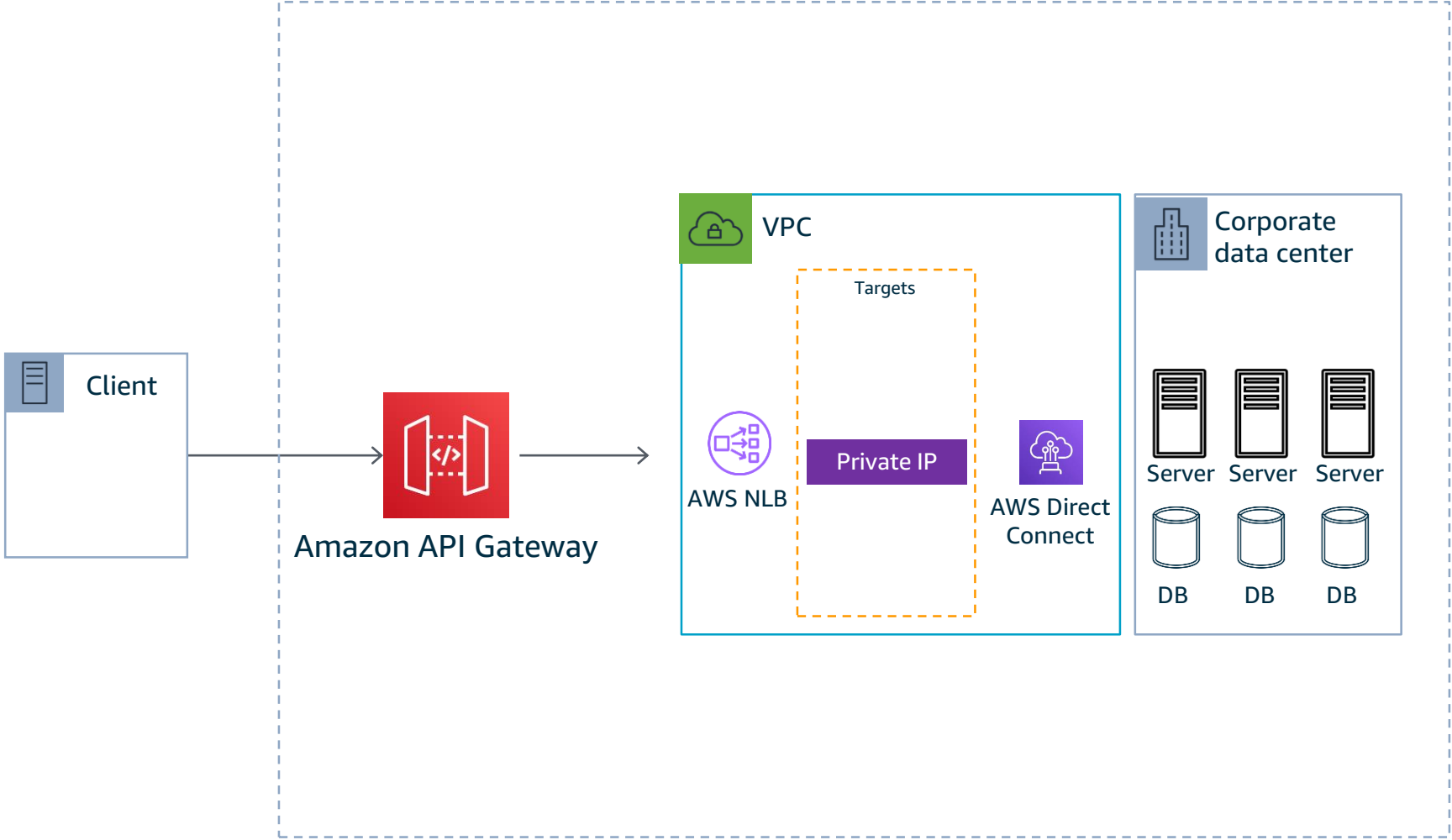
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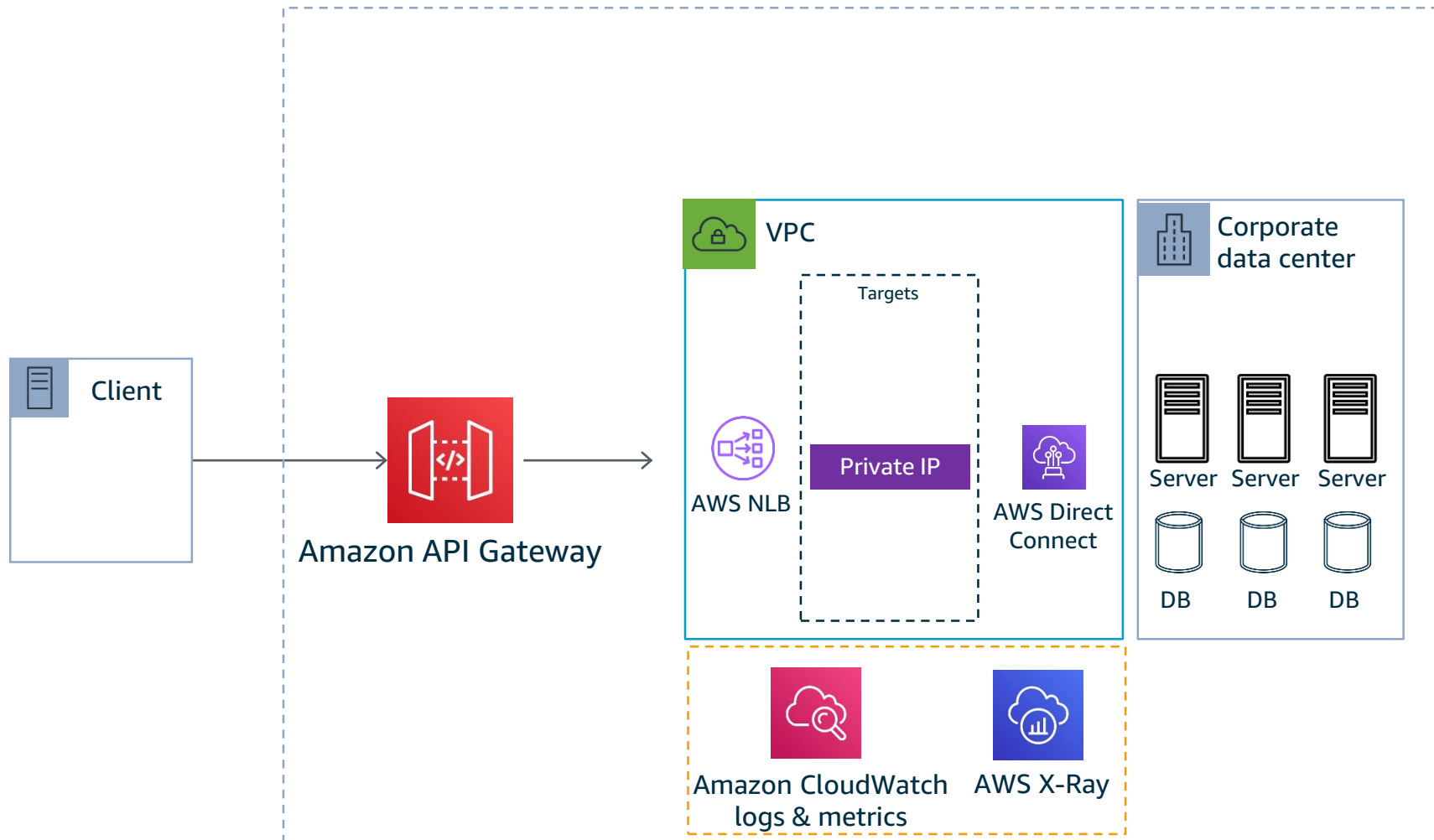
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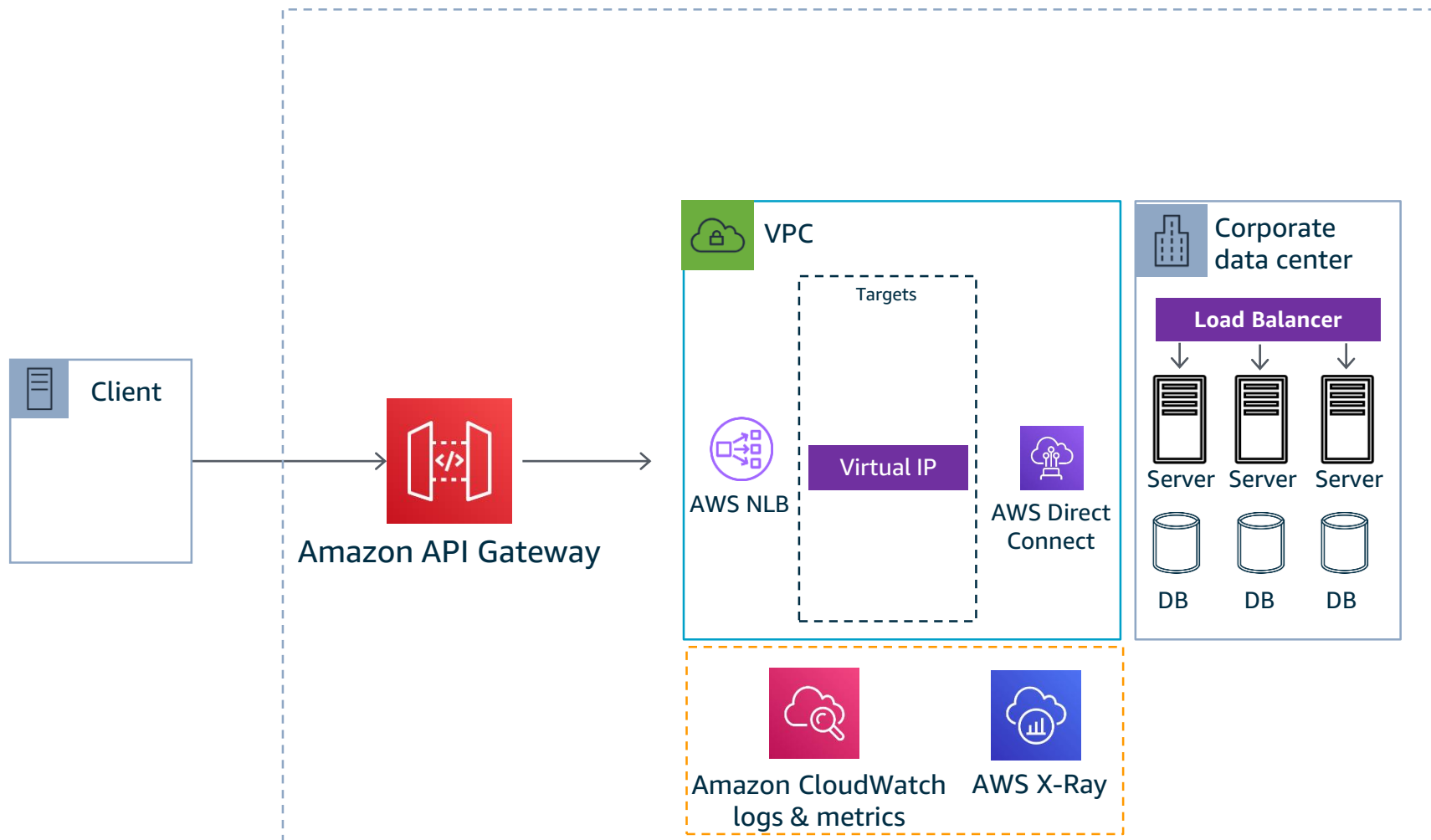
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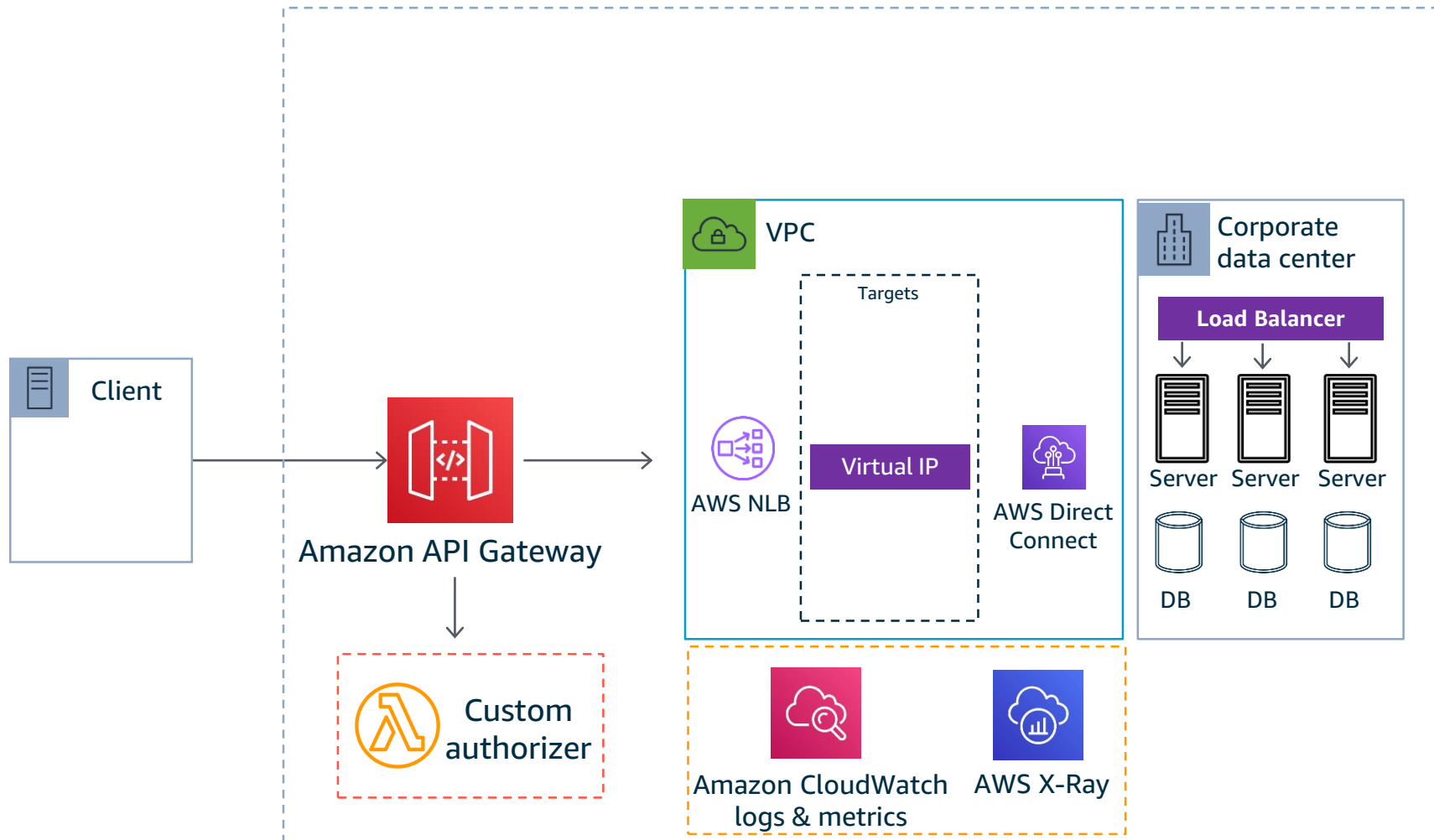
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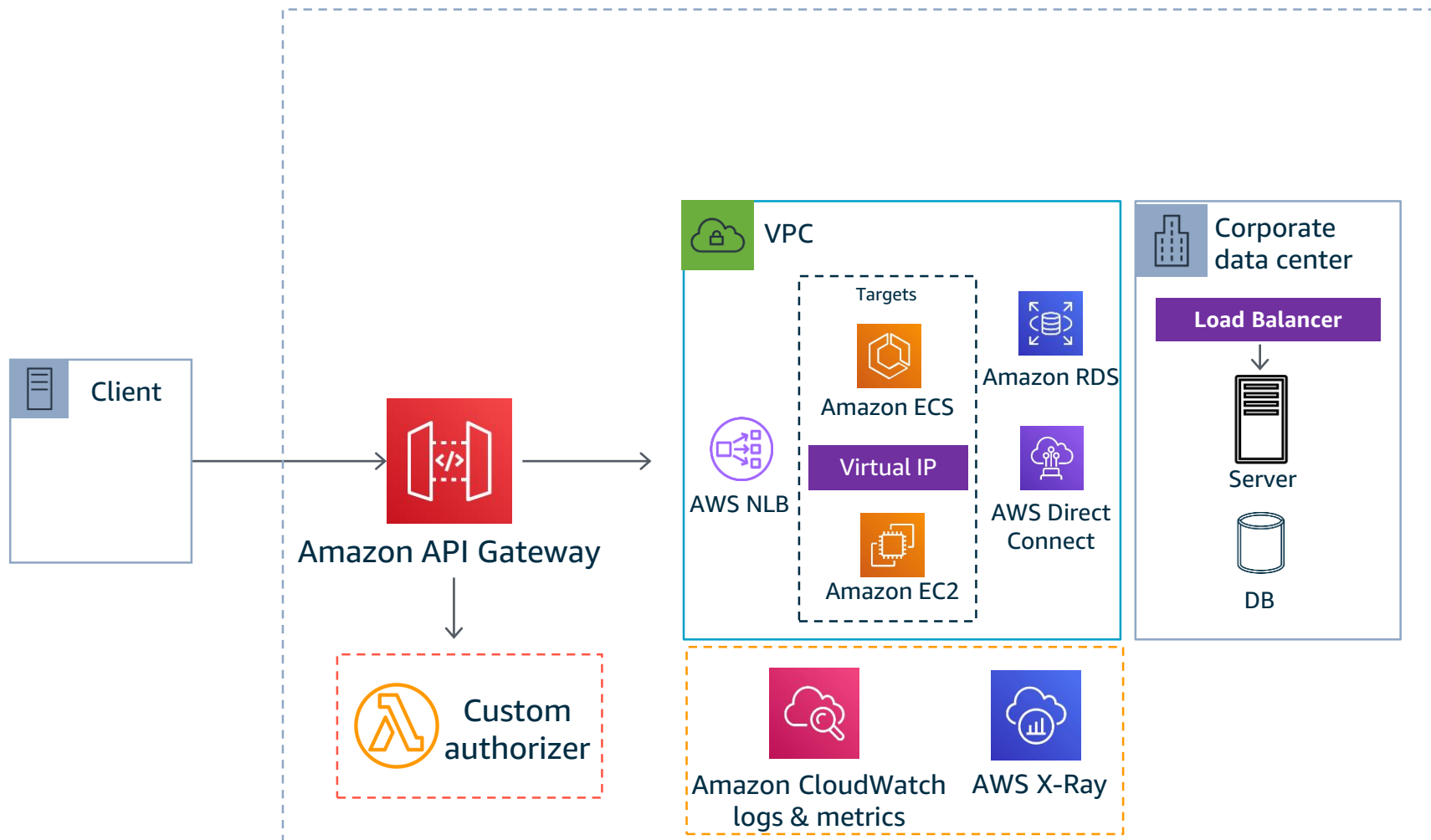
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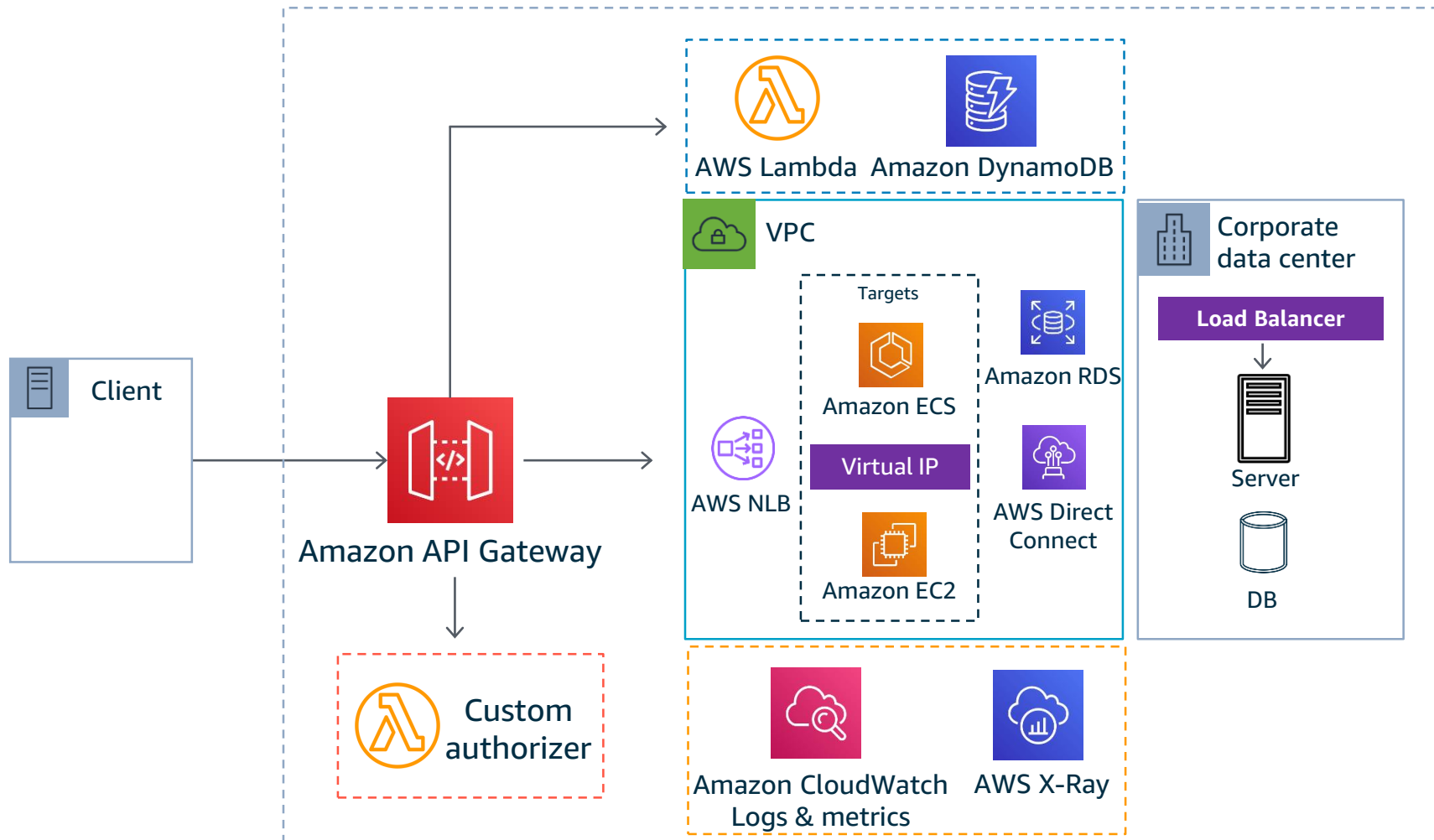
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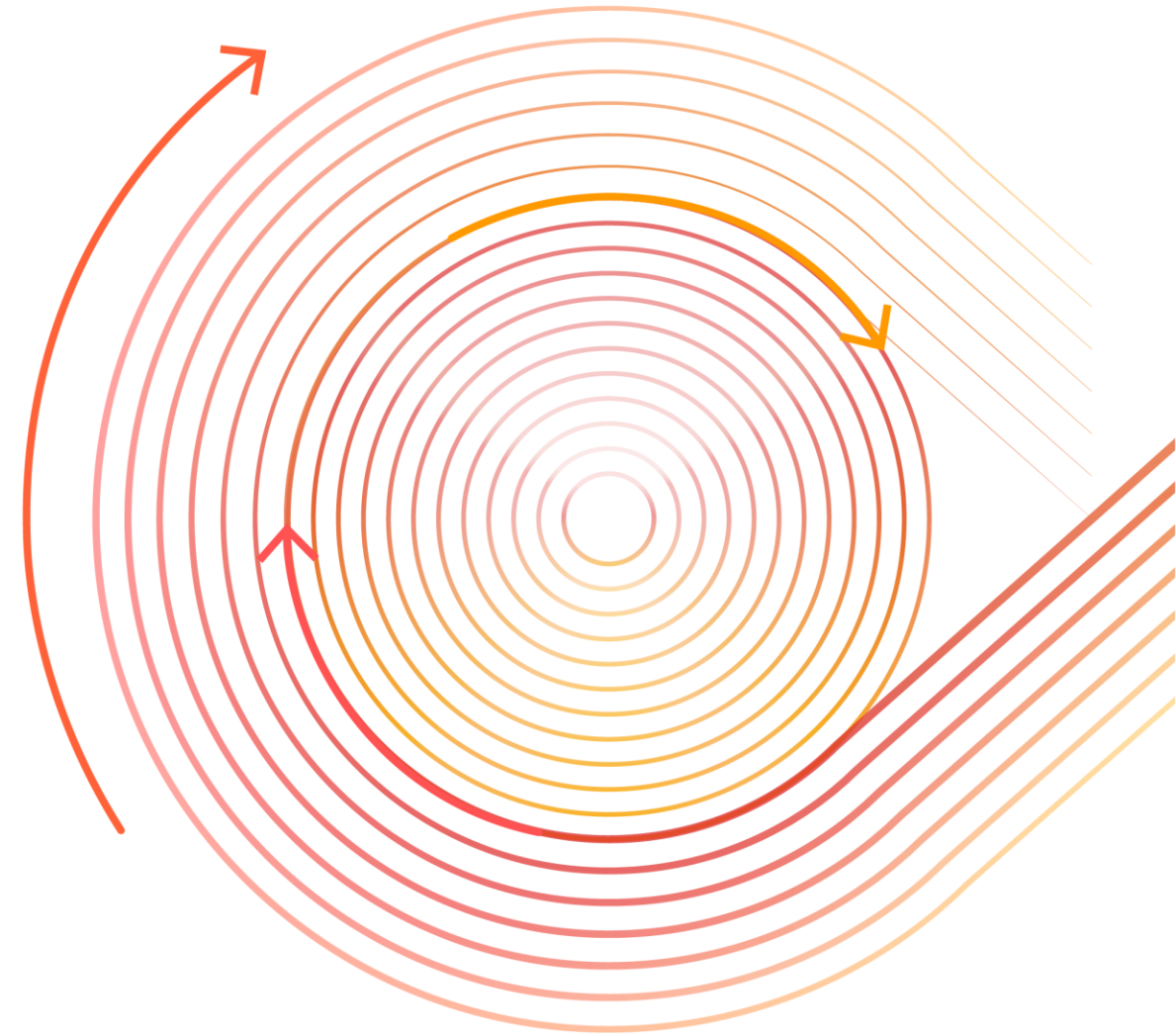
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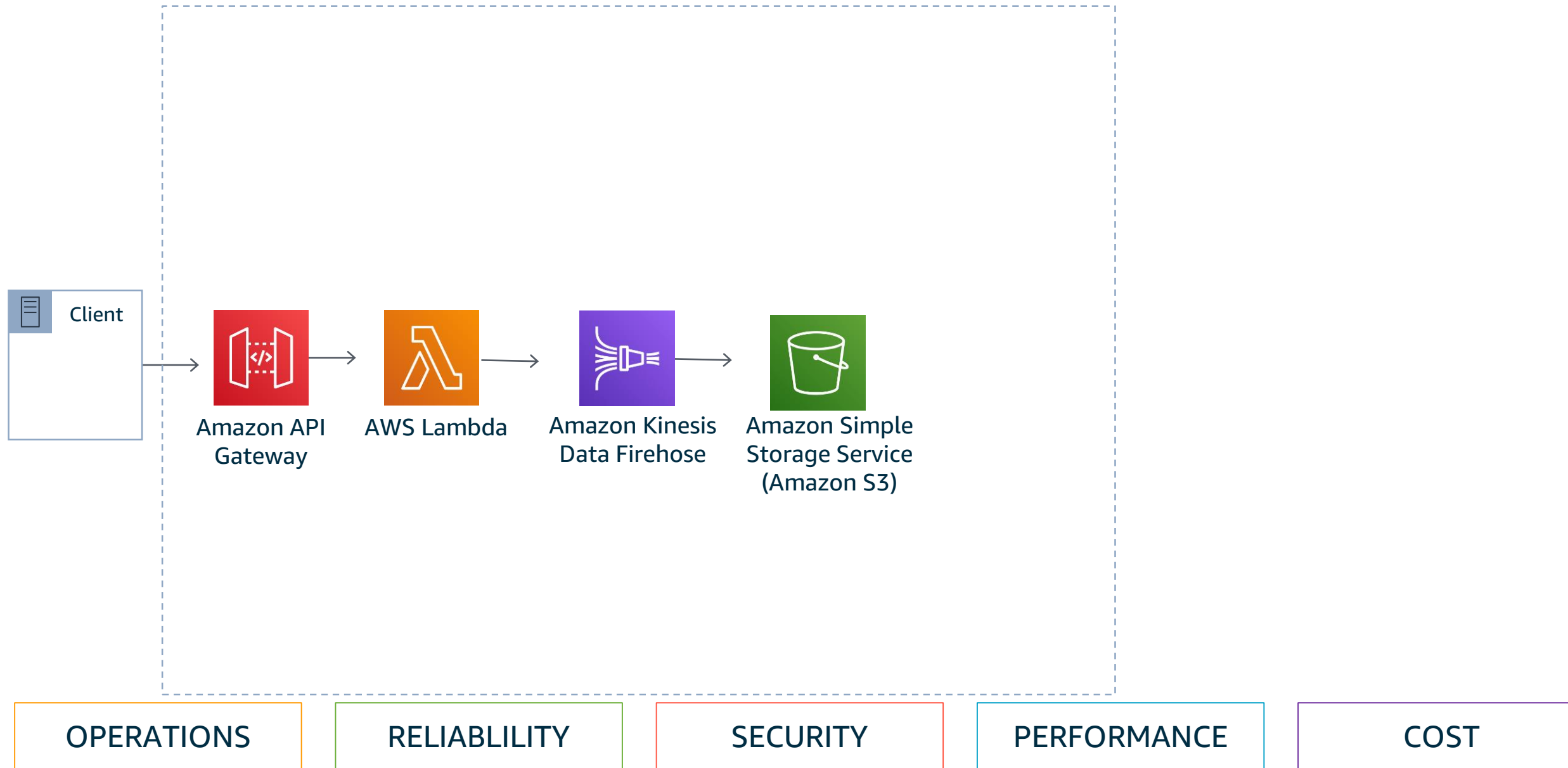
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Event Sourcing pattern

(Streaming)



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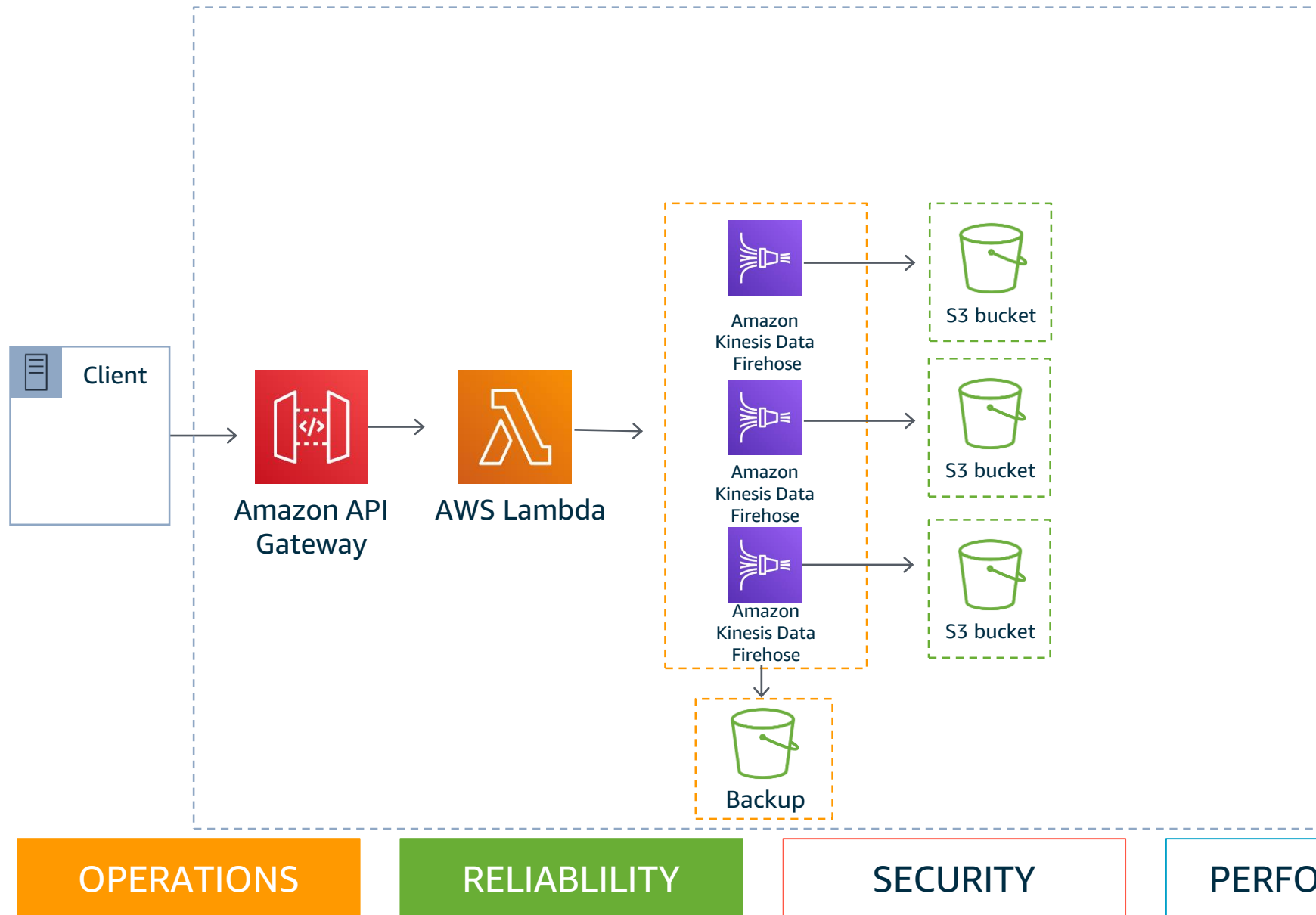
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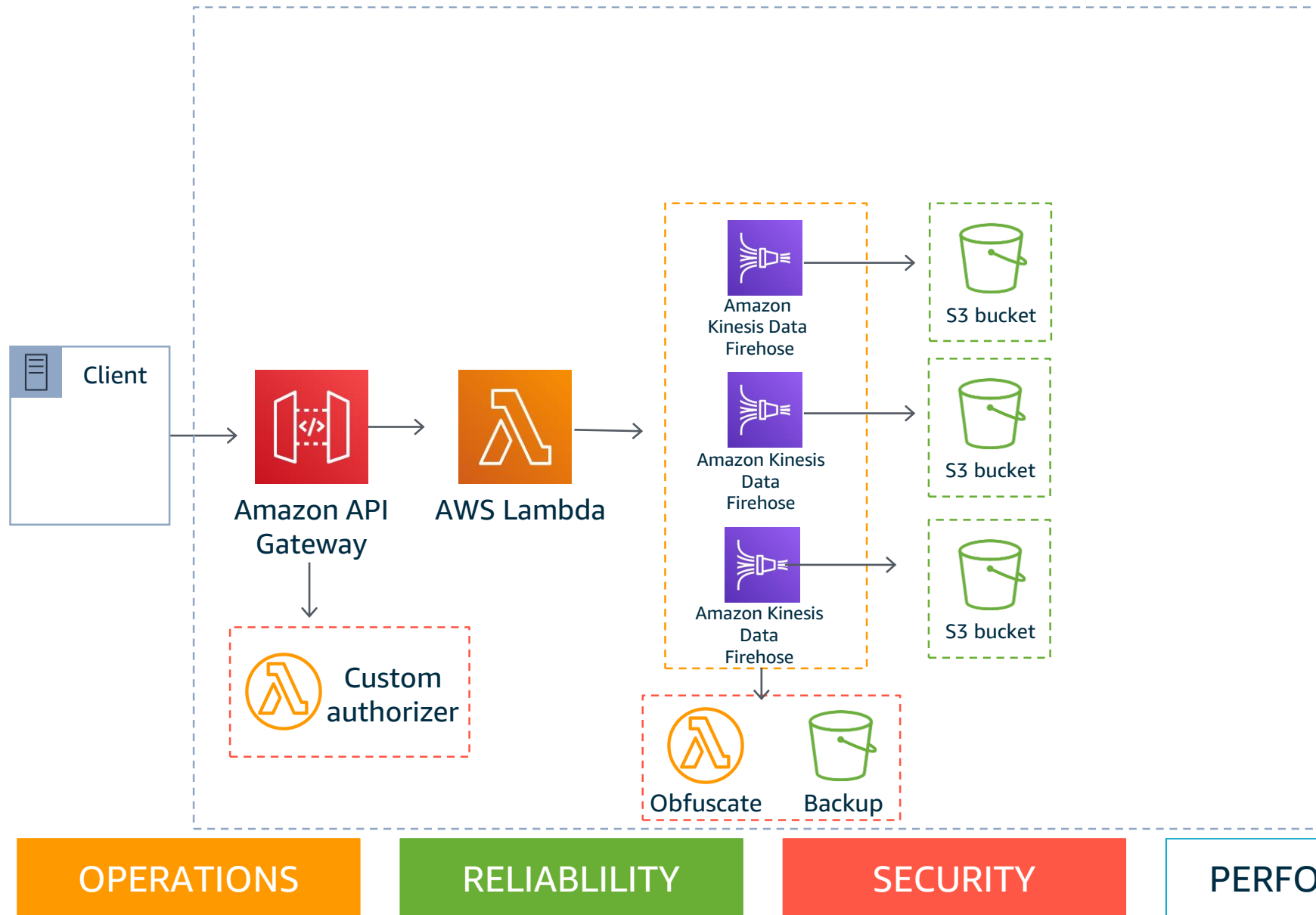
Event Sourcing (streaming) pattern



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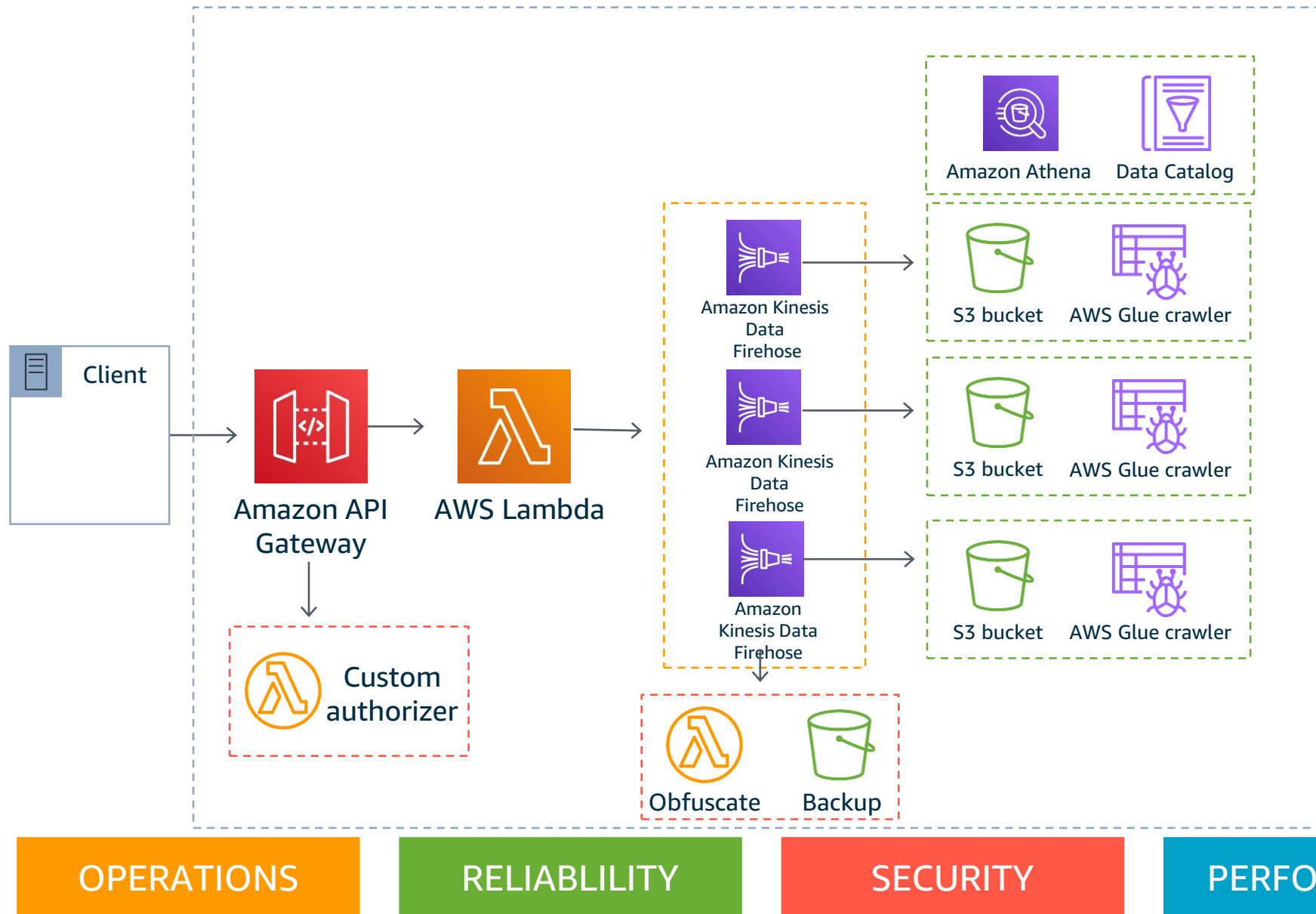
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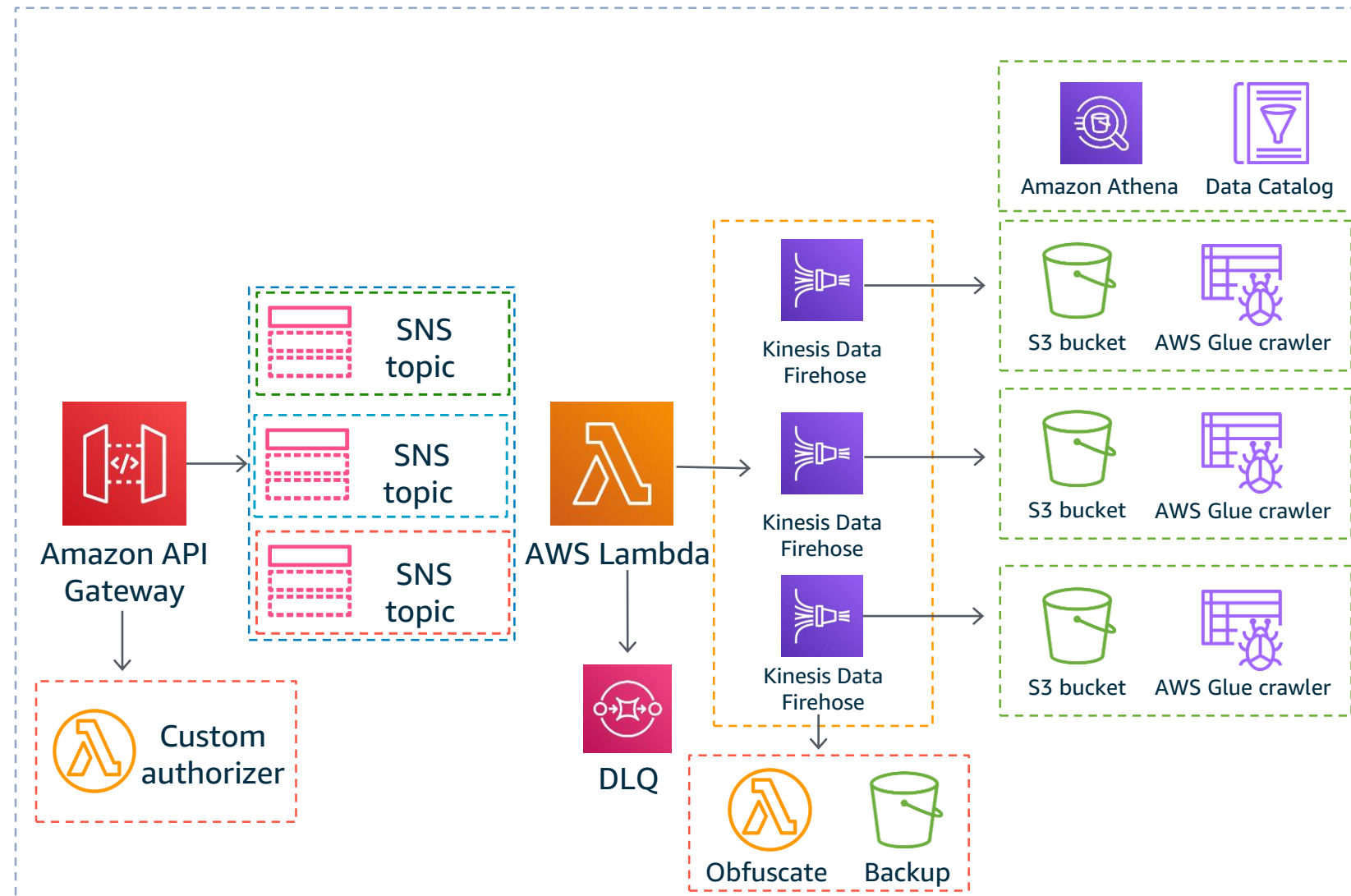
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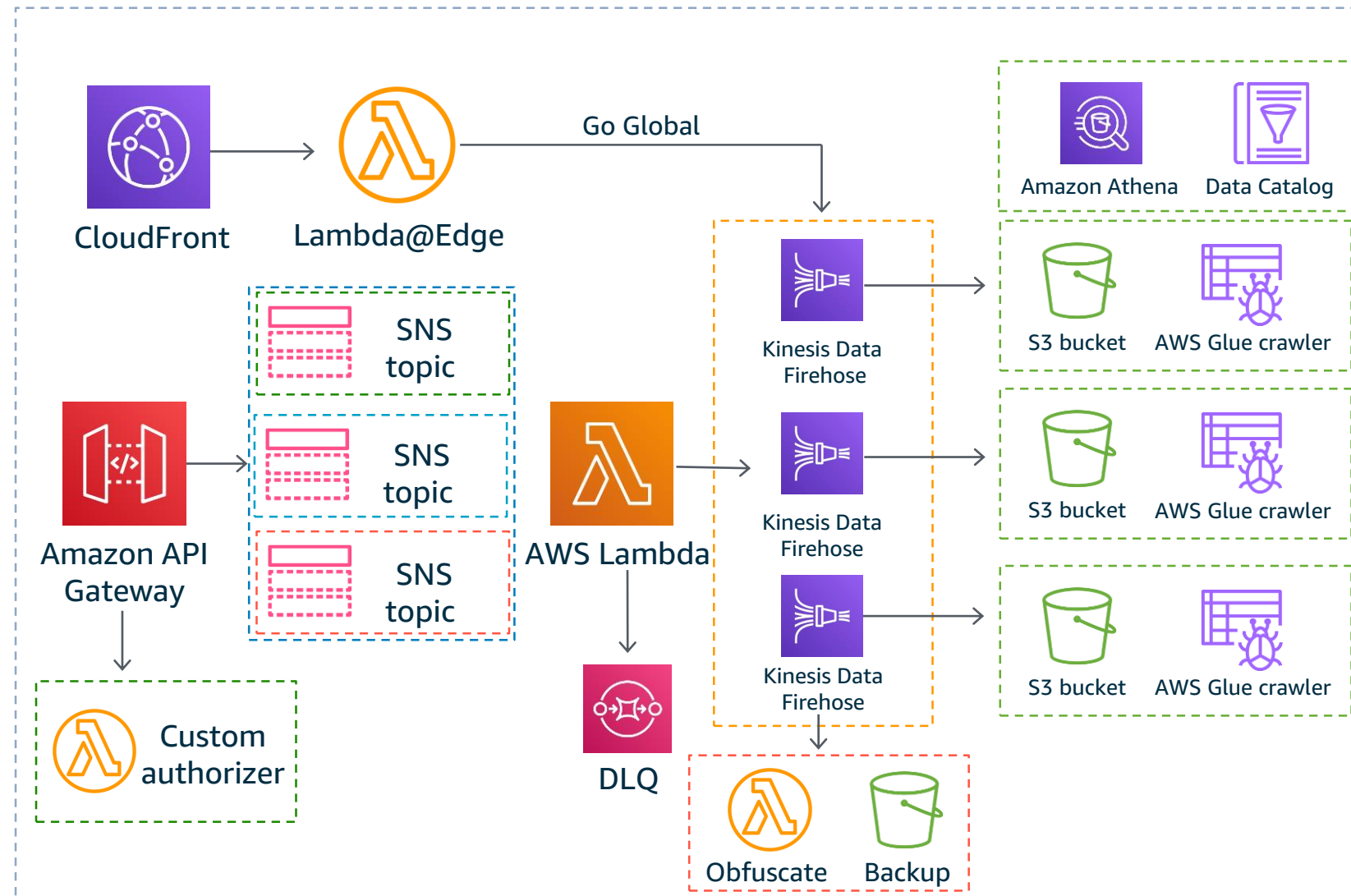
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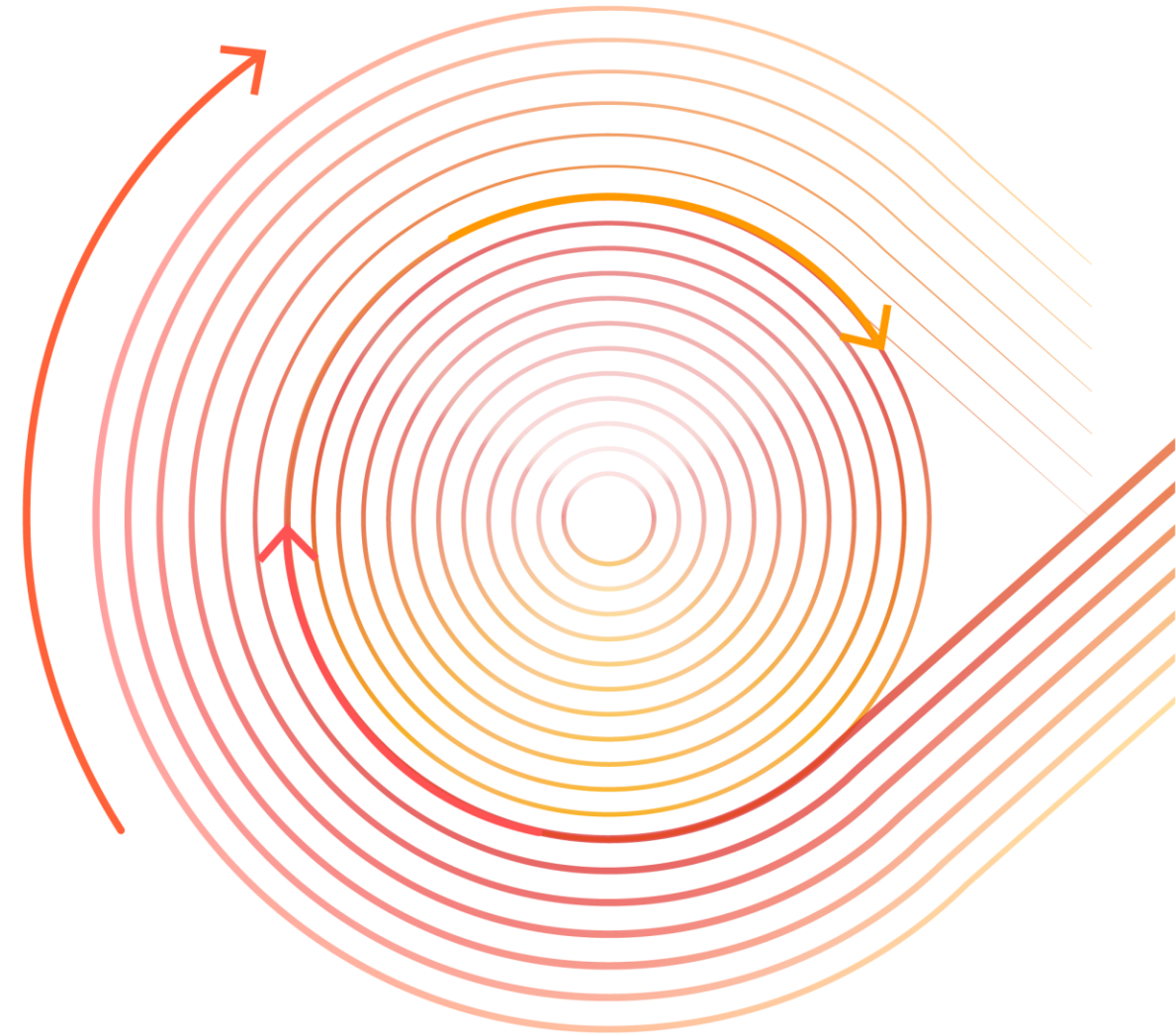
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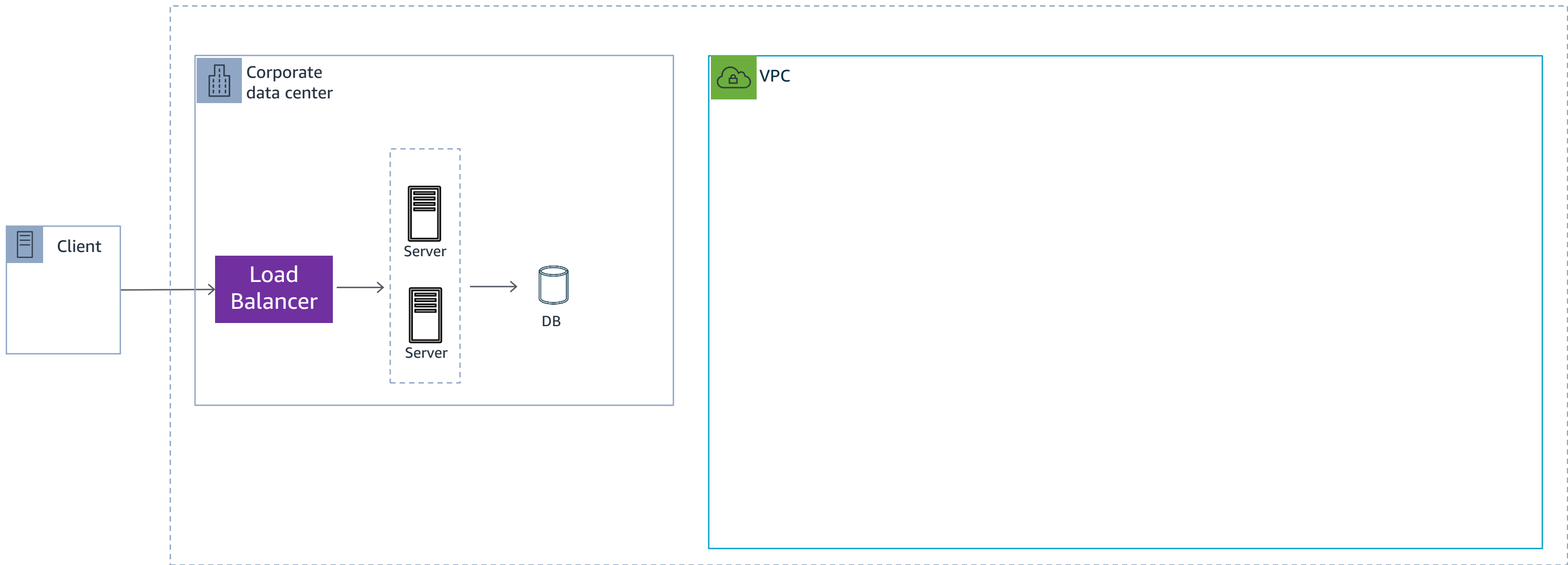
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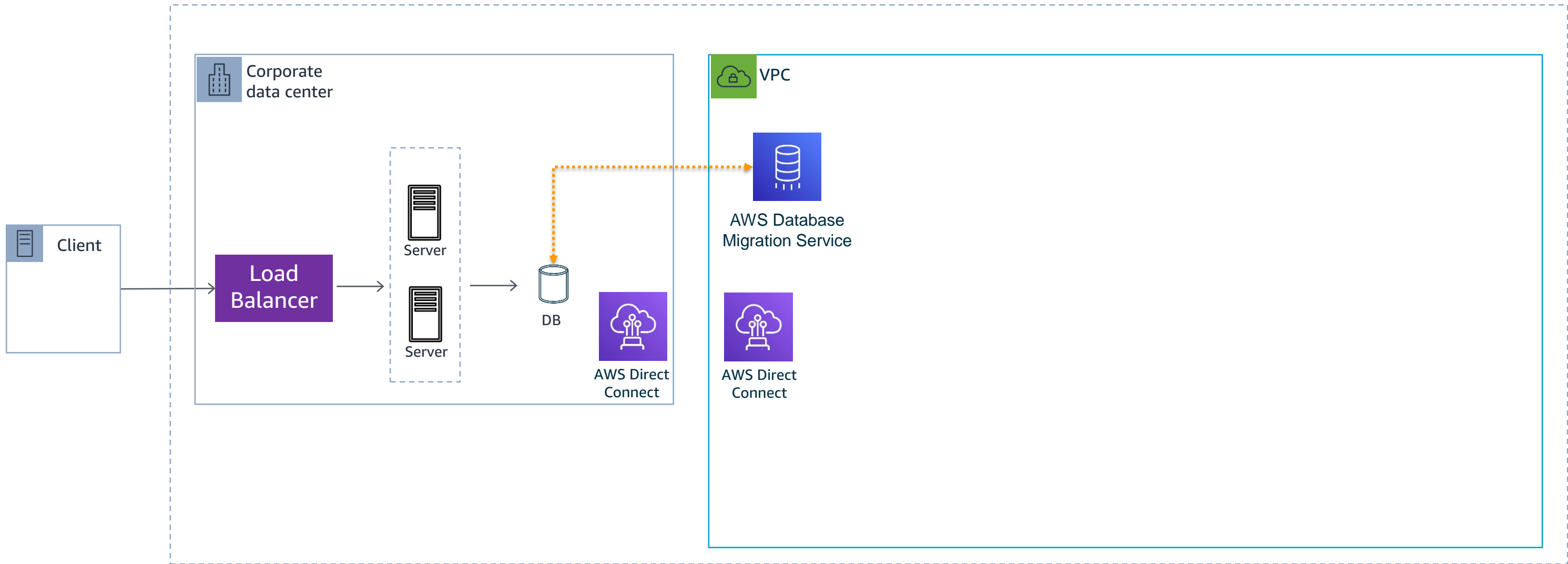
Design pattern aggregation



Data migration

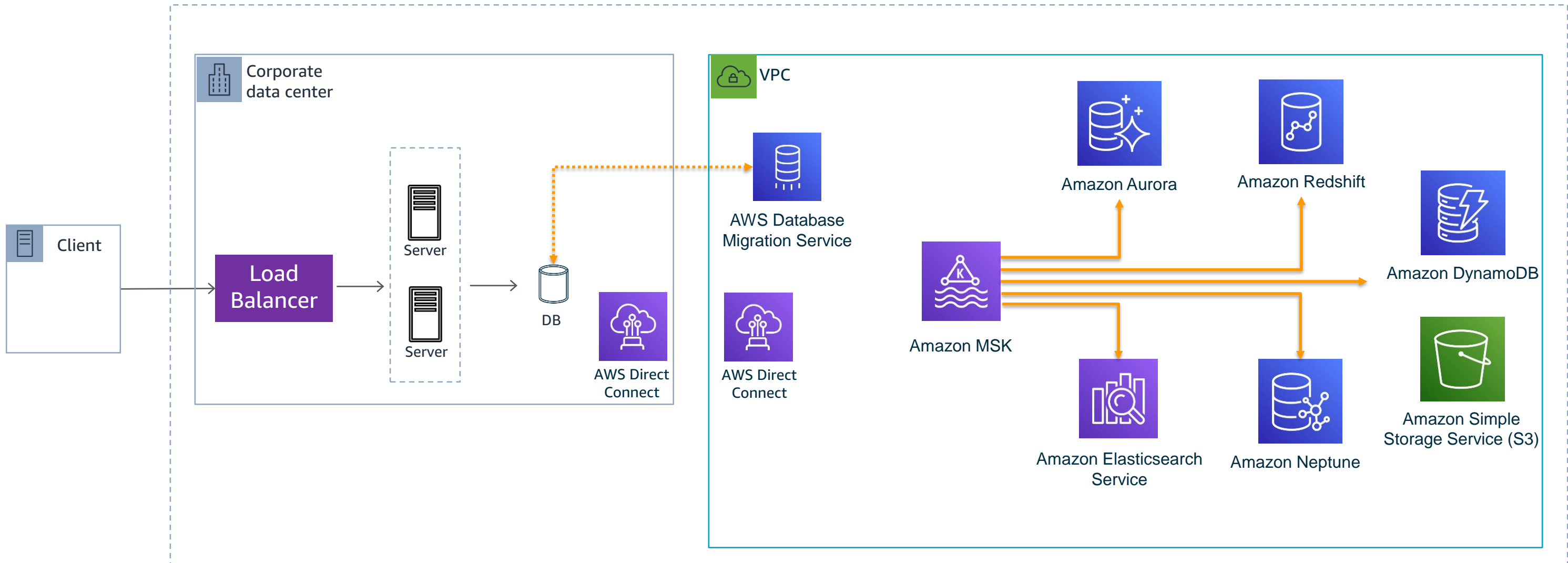


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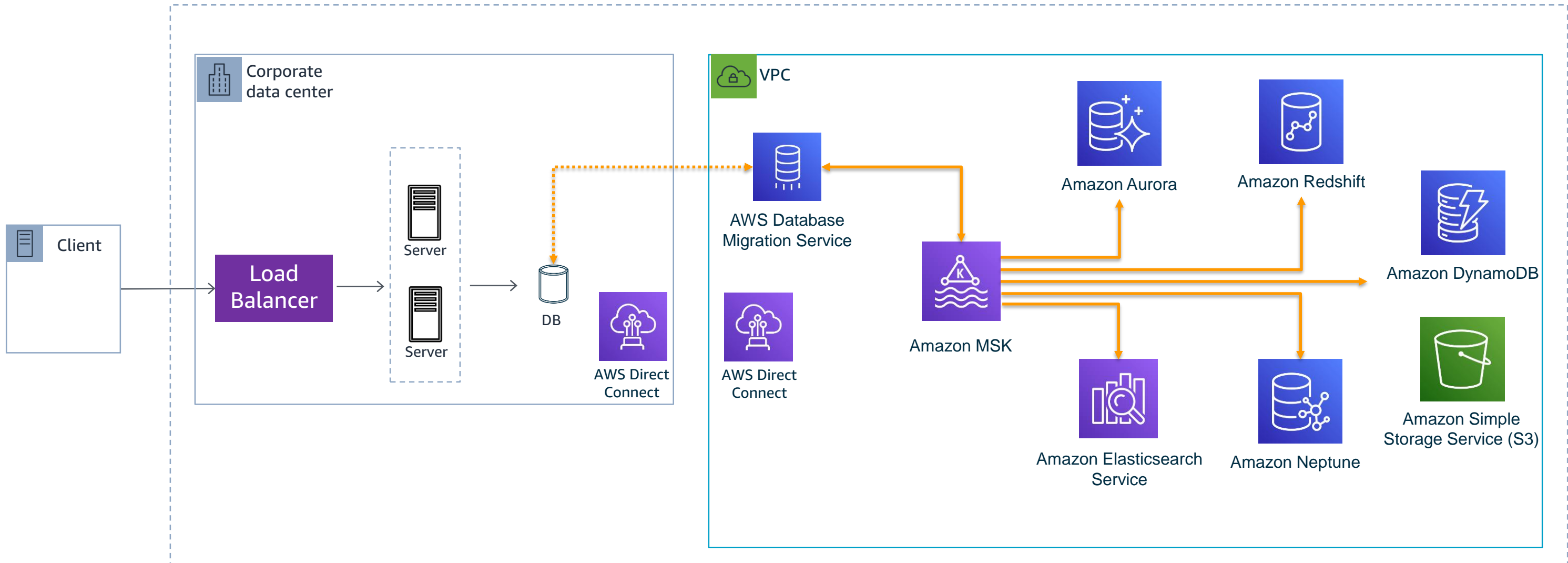
Data migration and modern application transformation

Event Sourcing with Fan-Out pattern



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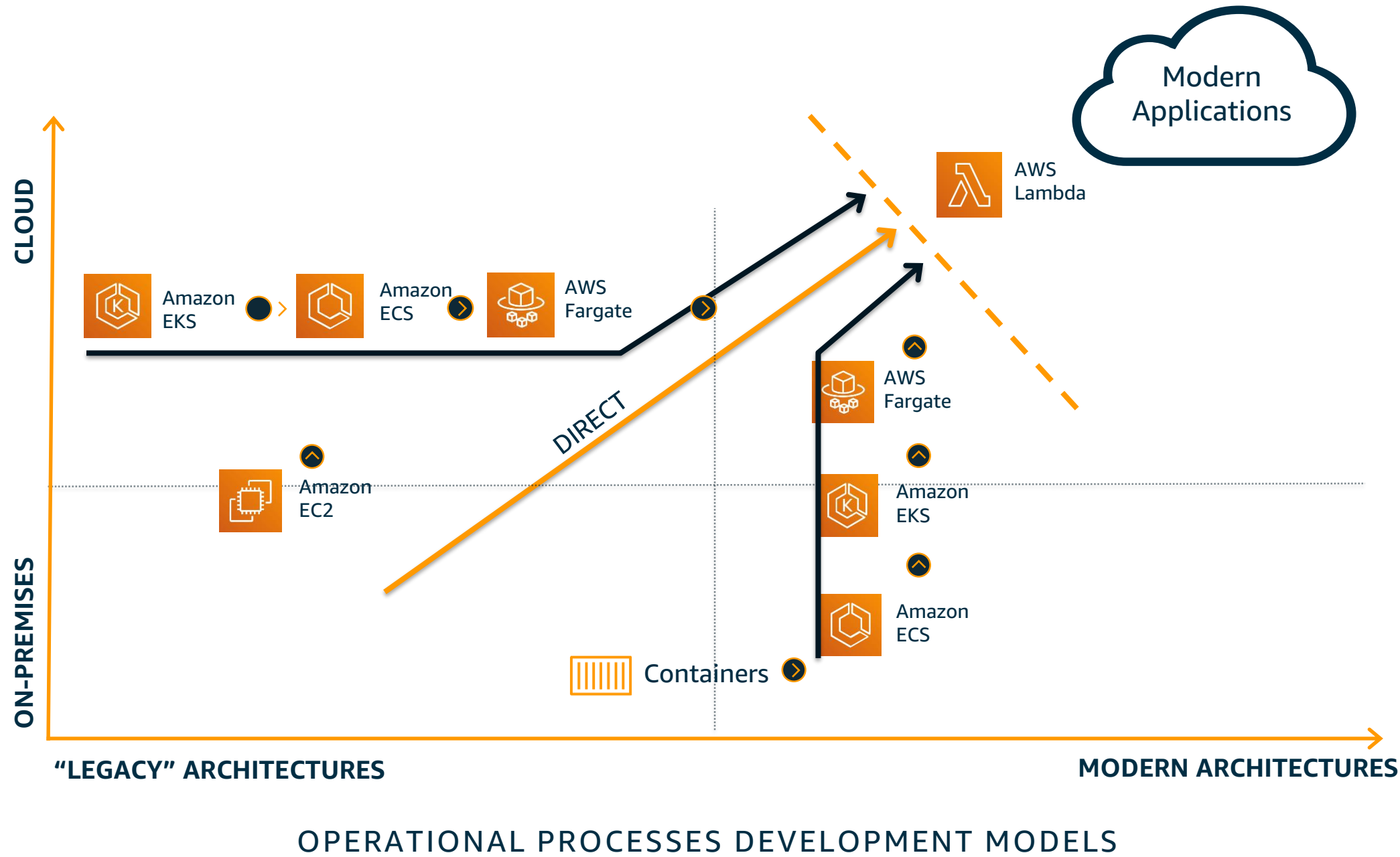
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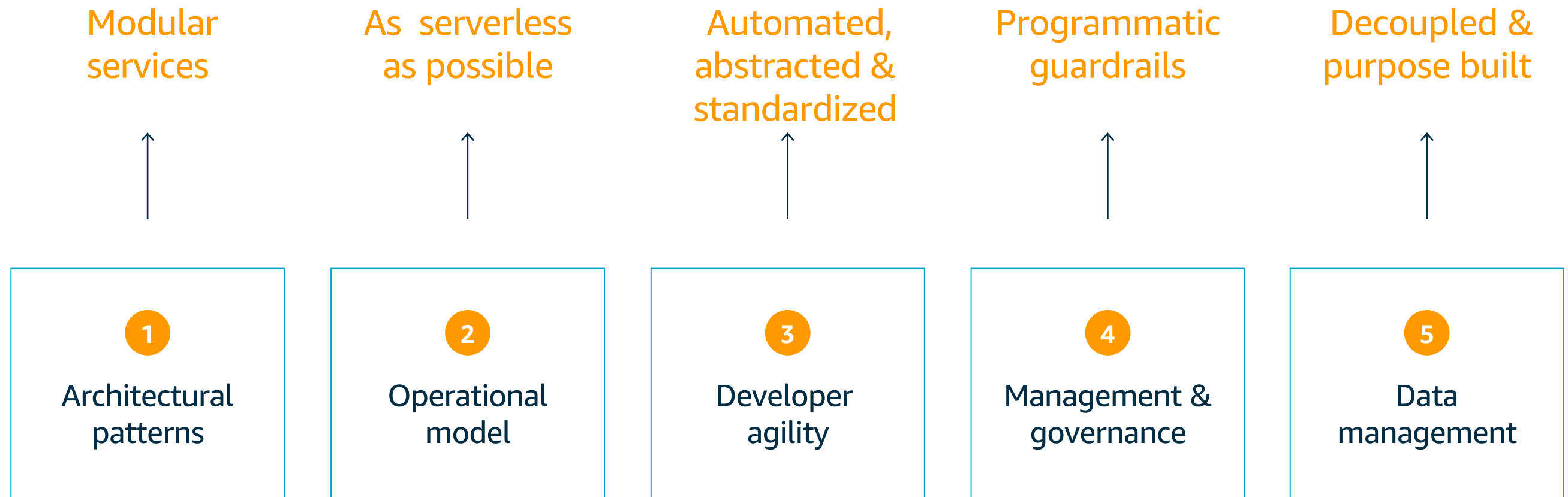
Summary



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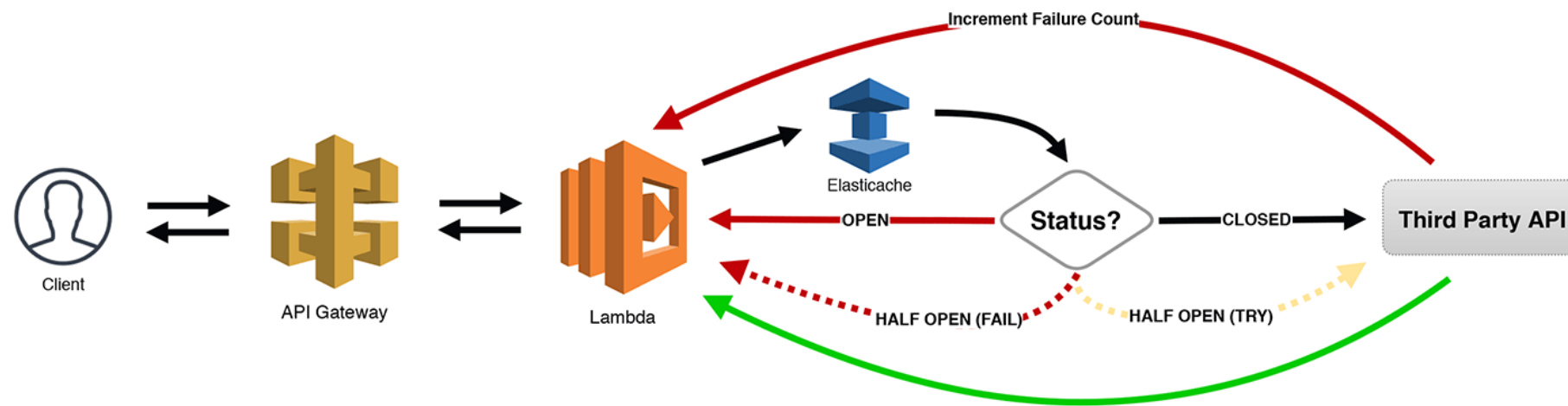
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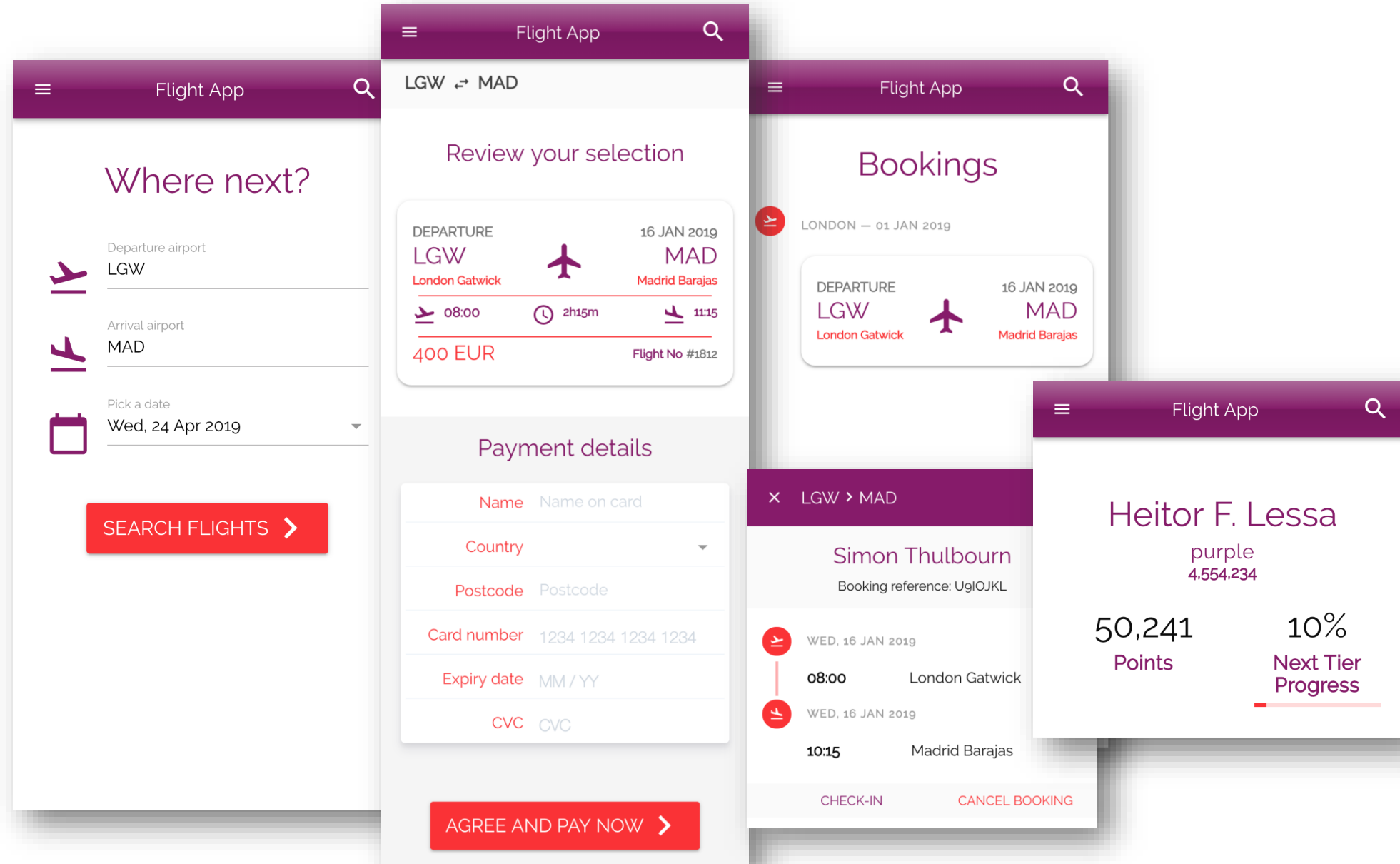
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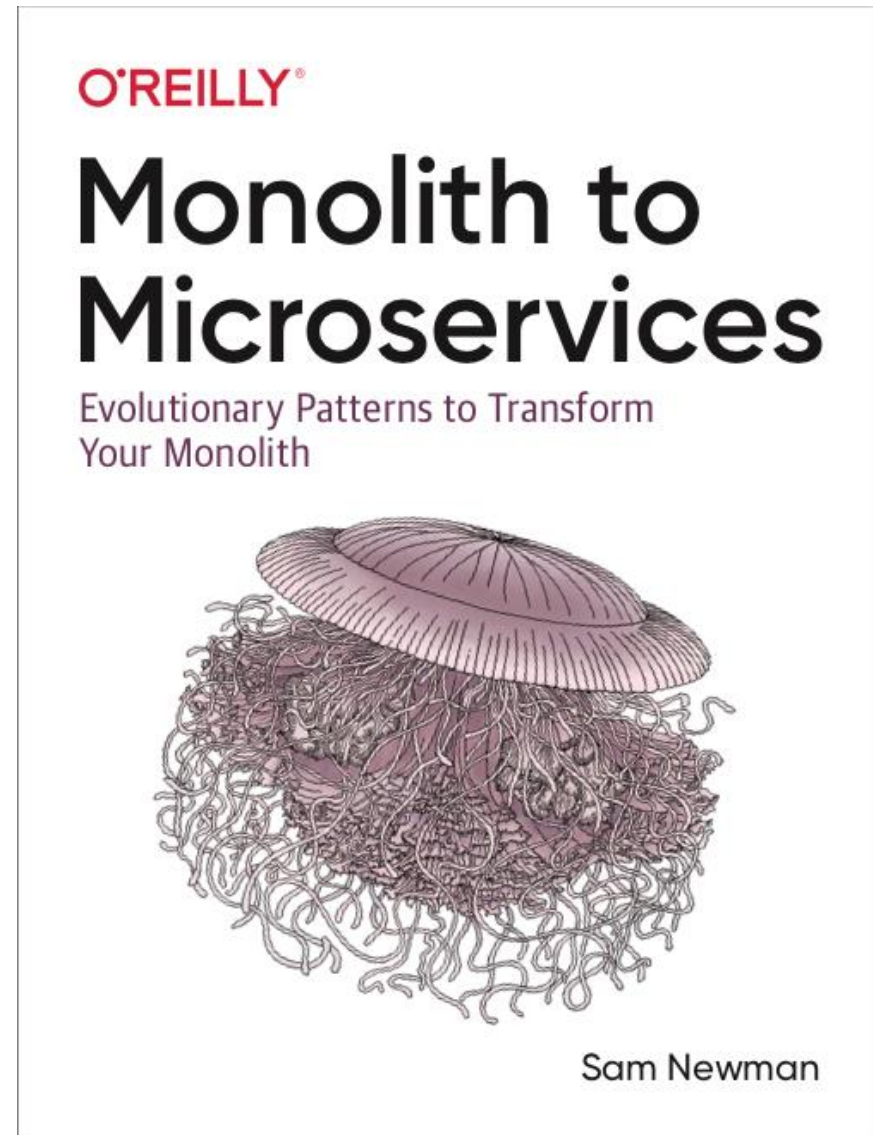
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Serverless airline – Multiple patterns/practices

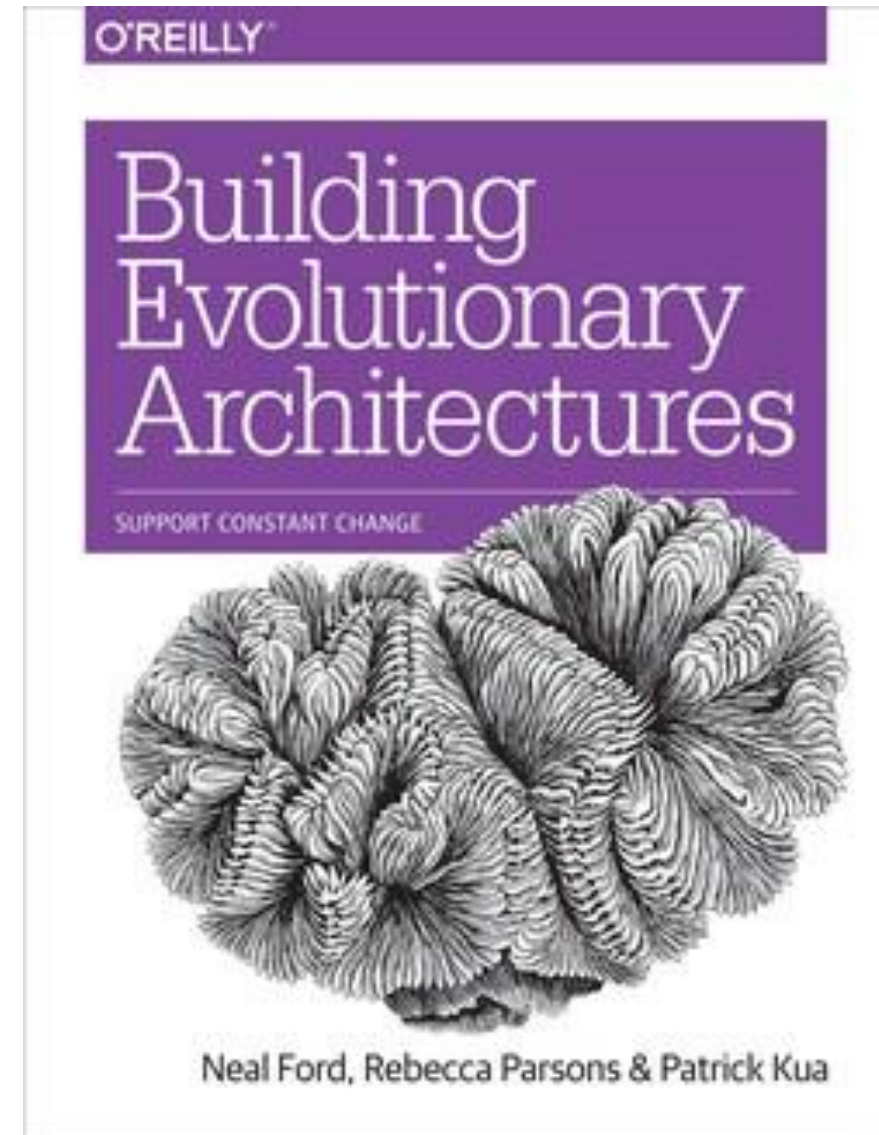


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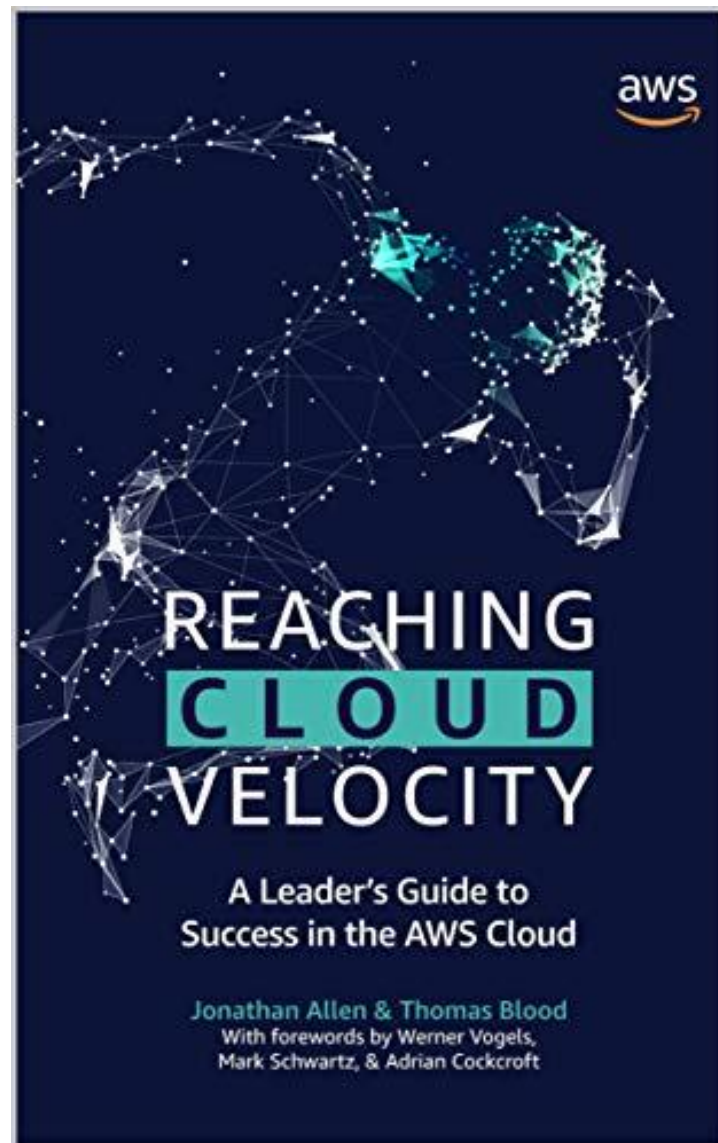


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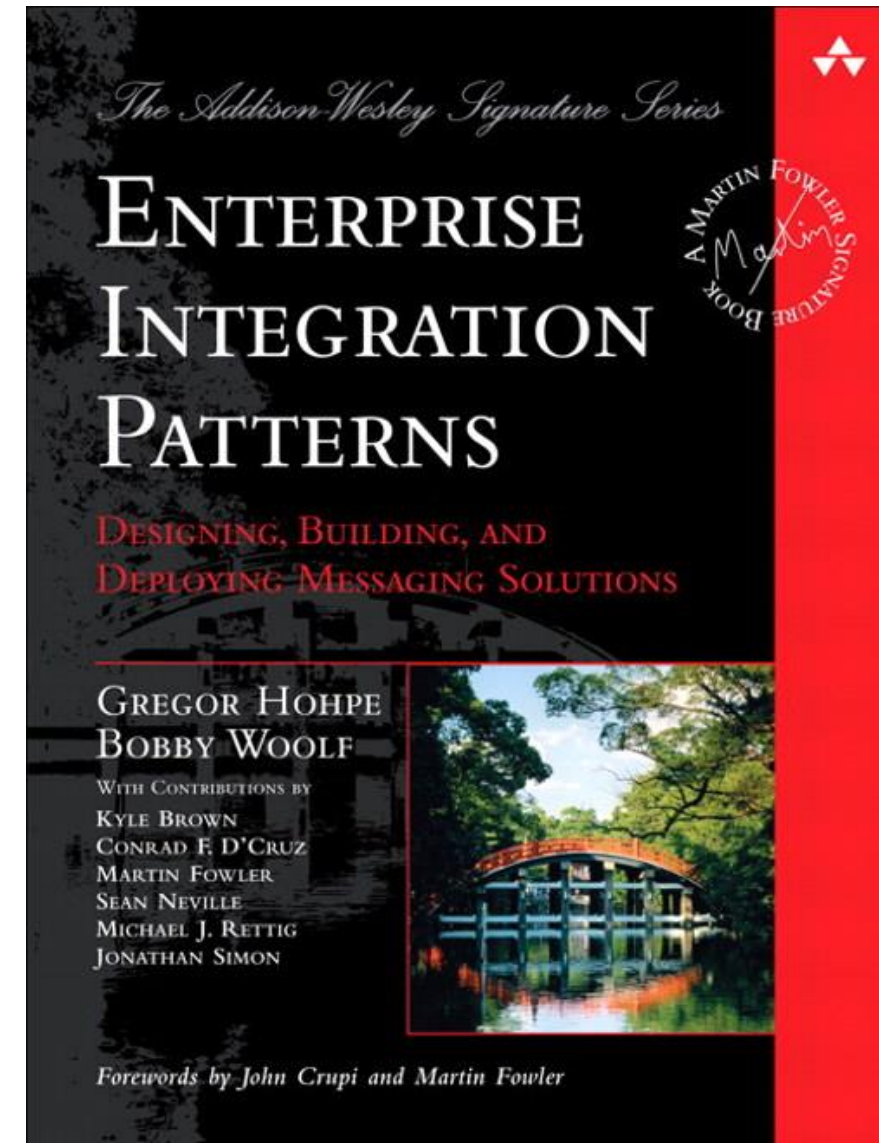


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