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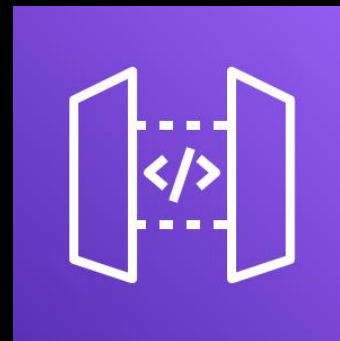
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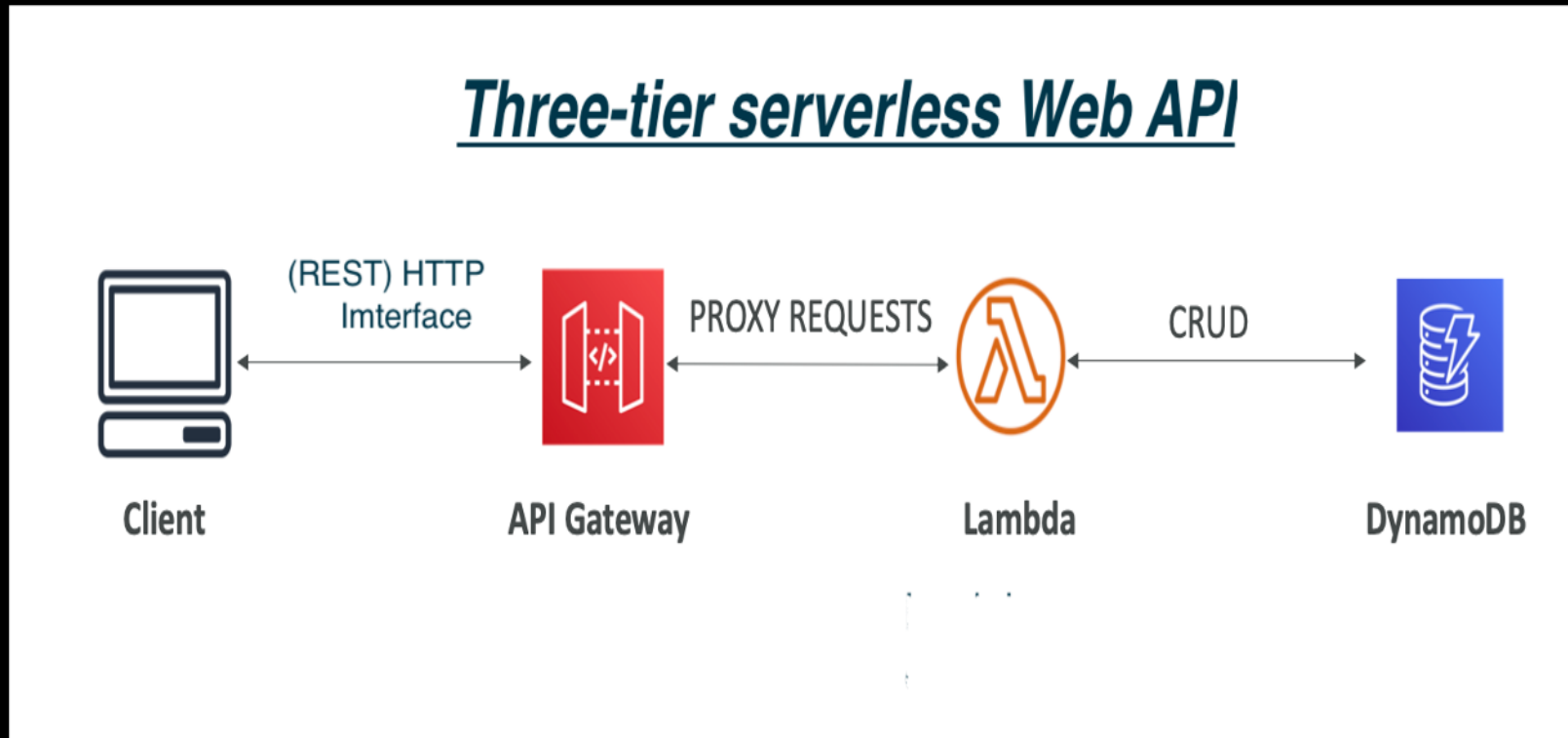
HTTP & REST Web APIs

Components of a Serverless app.

API Gateway

- A fully managed (aka Serverless) service for creating, publishing, maintaining, monitoring, and securing REST, HTTP, and WebSocket APIs.


Three-tier serverless Web API

Client — (REST) HTTP Imterface → API Gateway — PROXY REQUESTS → Lambda — CRUD → DynamoDB

Features

- Handles API versioning (v1, v2…).
- Handles different environments (dev, test, prod).
- Handle security (Authentication and Authorization).
- Create API keys; handles request throttling.
- Swagger / Open API import to quickly define APIs.
- Support for the WebSocket Protocol.
- Transform and validate requests and responses.
- Generate SDK and API specifications.
- Caching API responses.
- DDoS protection.

Integration Types.

- MOCK Integration Type:
  - API Gateway returns a response without sending the request to the backend.

- HTTP/AWS (AWS Services) Integration Type
  - You must configure both the integration request and response.
    - Setup data mapping using <u>mapping templates</u> for the request & response.
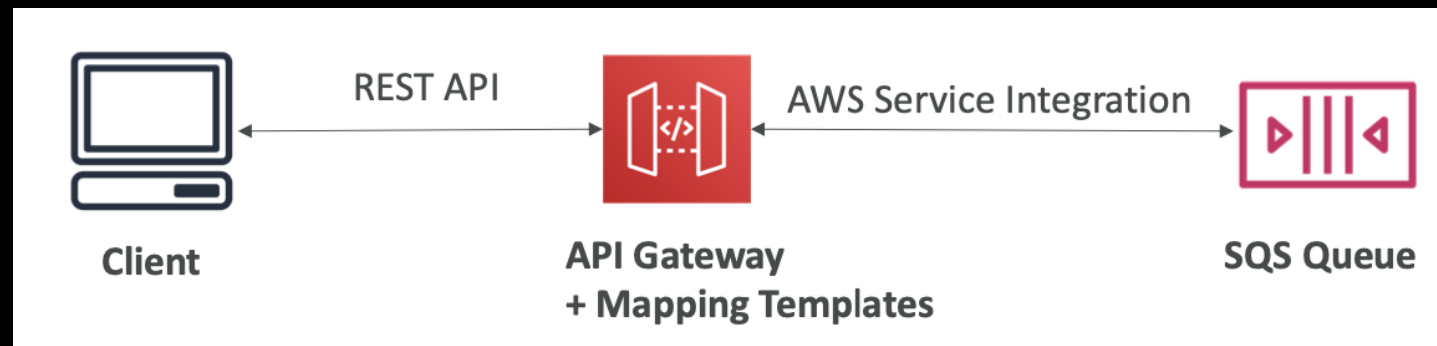
Integration Types.

- AWS_PROXY (Lambda Proxy) Integration Type:
  - Incoming request from the client is the input to Lambda.
  - No mapping template.
  - HTTP headers, query string parameters are passed as event object properties.
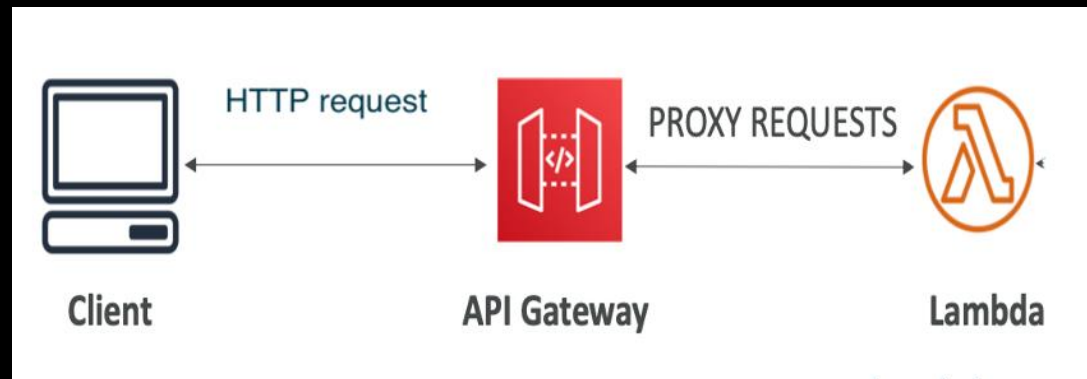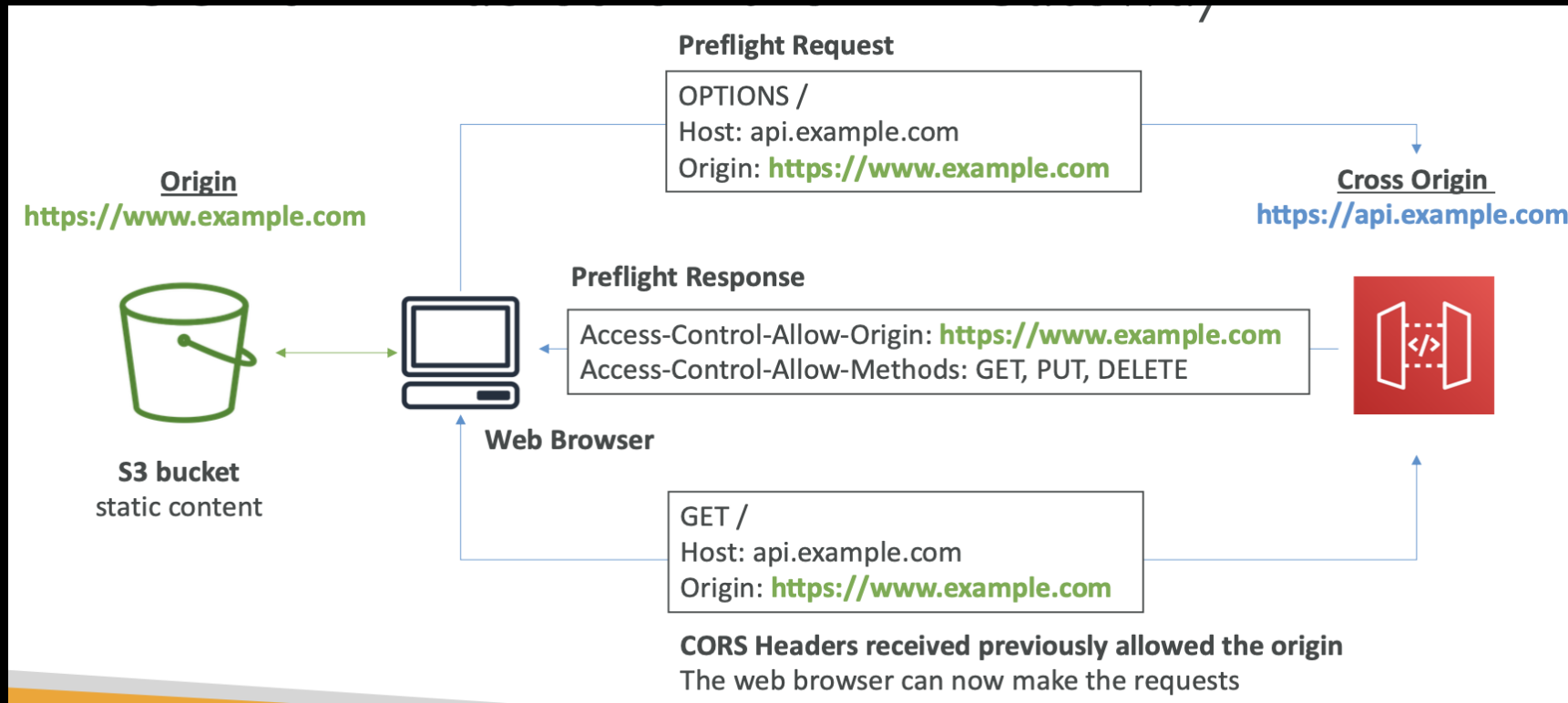
Integration Types.

- HTTP_PROXY Integration Type.
  - No mapping template.
  - The HTTP request is passed to the backend.
  - The HTTP response from the backend is forwarded by API Gateway.
  - Cheaper, more lightweight than AWS_PROXY
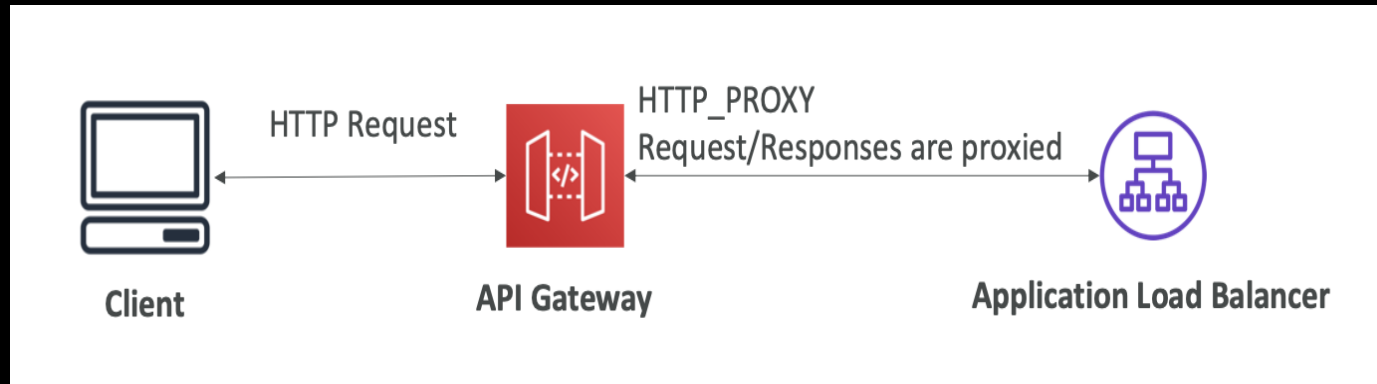
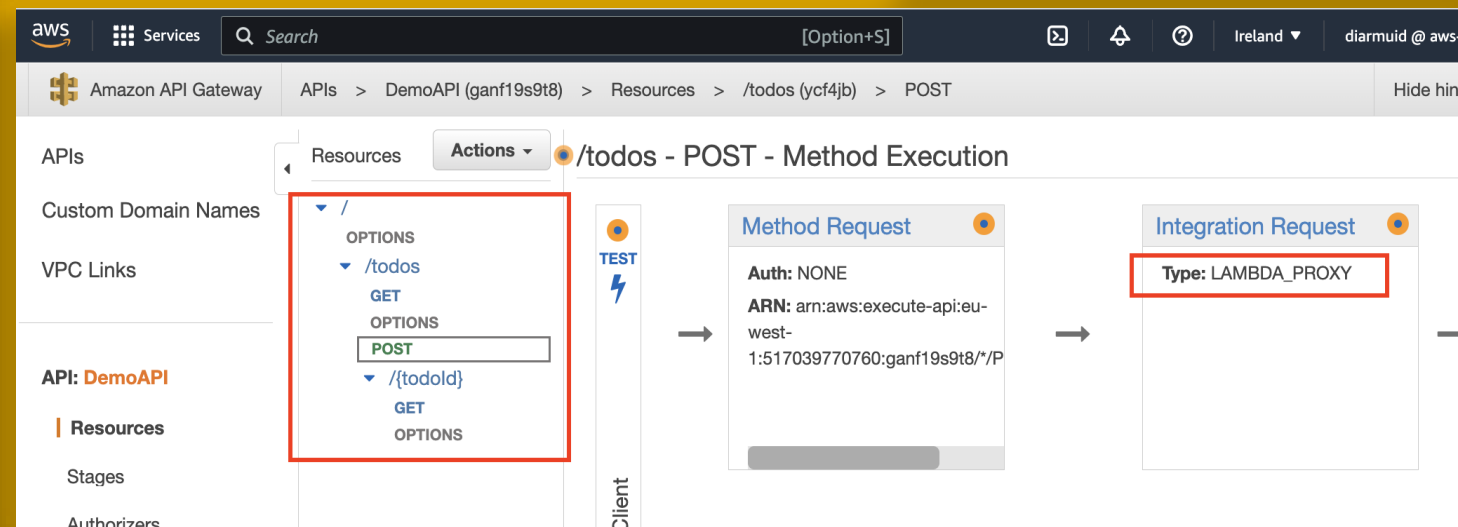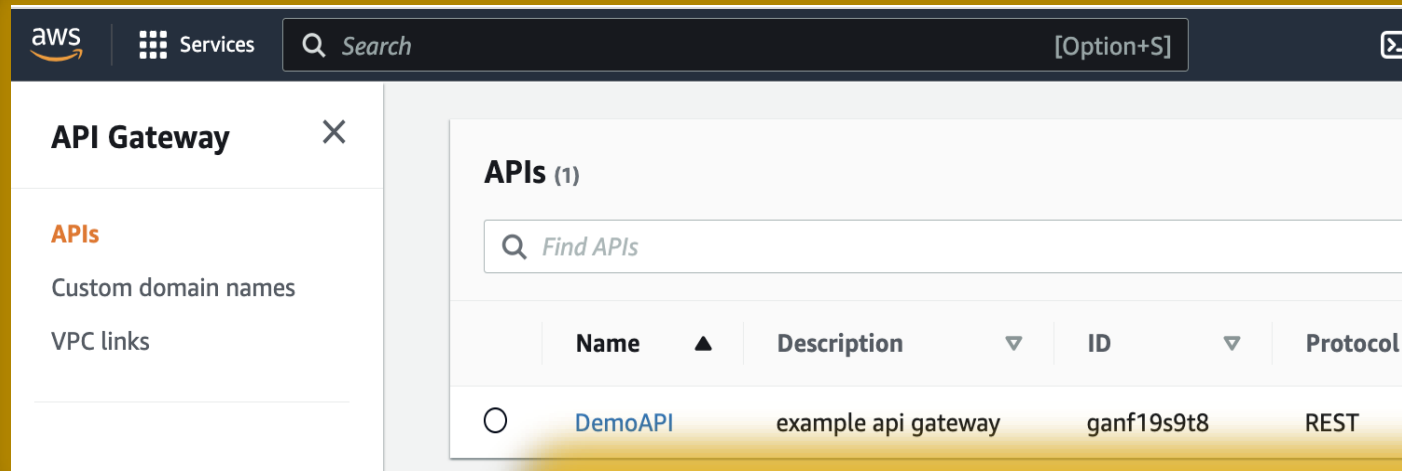# CORS (Cross Origin Resource Sharing)

- CORS must be enabled when you receive API calls from another domain.

Sample

- Objective – Develop a serverless Web API for managing TODOs.

    - Endpoints:
        - /todos path
            - GET – Read all todos
            - POST – Add new TODO
        - /todos/{todoID} path
            - GET – Read specific TODO

Sample – API Gateway mgt. console

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// Lambda backend functionality

const RESTEndpointFn = new NodejsFunction(this, "RESTEndpointFn", ....);

// API Gateway configuration

const api = new RestApi(this, "DemoAPI", {
  description: "example api gateway",
  deployOptions: {
    stageName: "dev",
  },
  defaultCorsPreflightOptions: {
    allowMethods: ["OPTIONS", "GET", "POST", "PUT", "PATCH", "DELETE"],
    allowOrigins: ["*"],
  },
});

const todosEndpoint = api.root.addResource("todos");
todosEndpoint.addMethod(
  "GET",
  new LambdaIntegration(RESTEndpointFn, { proxy: true }) // AWSIntegration
);
todosEndpoint.addMethod(
  "POST",
  new LambdaIntegration(RESTEndpointFn, { proxy: true }) // AWSIntegration
);

const todoDetailsEndpoint = todosEndpoint.addResource("{todoId}");
todoEndpoint.addMethod(
  "GET",
  new LambdaIntegration(RESTEndpointFn, { proxy: true })
);
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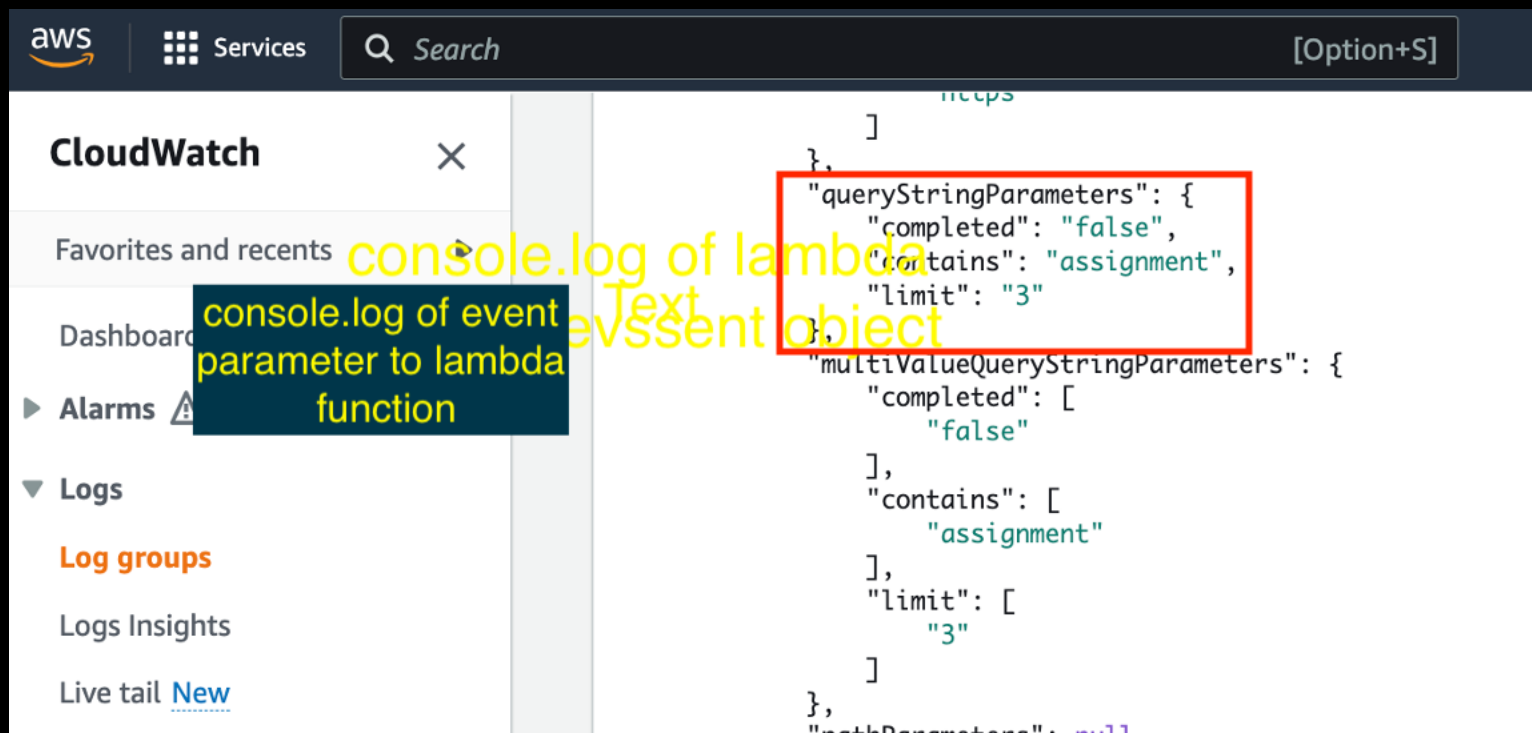
CDK stack to create REST Web API, using API Gateway service

Sample

- For AWS_PROXY (Lambda Proxy) integration, the HTTP <u>query string</u> is parsed and added to the lambda's event argument, e.g.
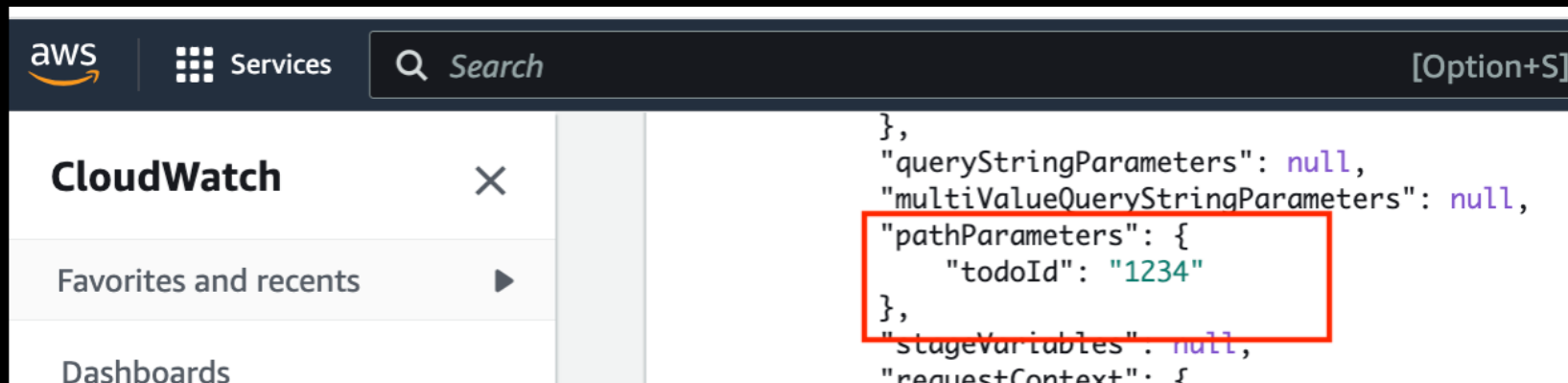
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- For AWS_PROXY (Lambda Proxy) integration, HTTP <u>path parameters</u> are parsed and added to the lambda's eventargument, e.g.

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