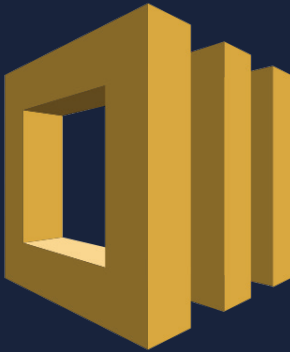# Amazon **Simple Workflow Service (SWF)**

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Amazon SWF helps developers build,
run, and scale background jobs that
have parallel or sequential steps

You can think of Amazon SWF as a
fully-managed state tracker and
task coordinator in the Cloud.

If your app's steps take more than 500
milliseconds to complete, you need to track the
state of processing, and you need to recover or
retry if a task fails, Amazon SWF can help you.