



An Introduction to Microservices with the Serverless Framework

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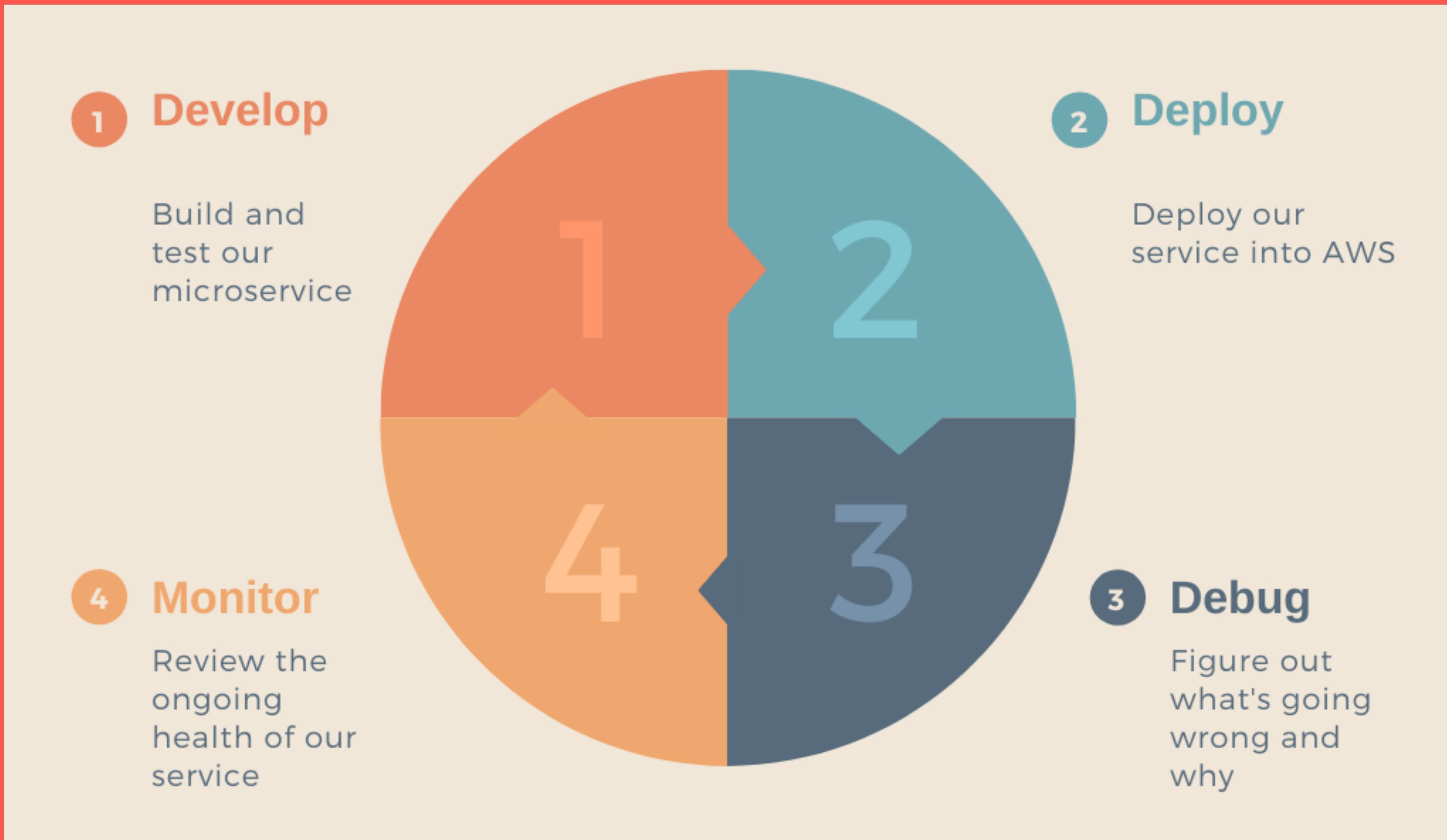
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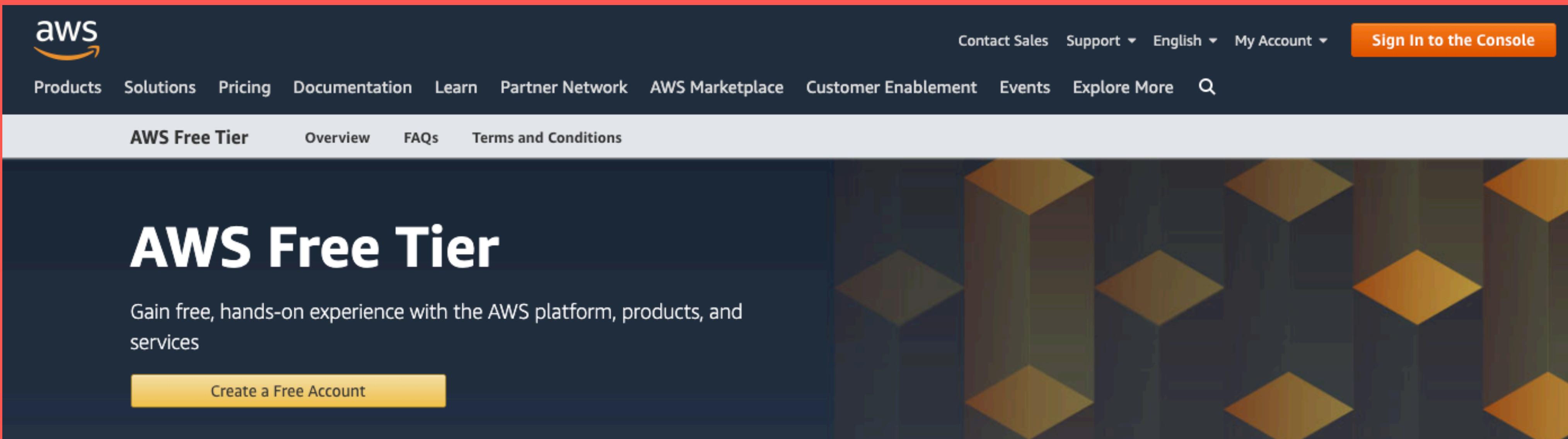
What are we doing?

Our Goals



Let's get our environment ready

Create an AWS Account

A screenshot of the AWS Free Tier landing page. The top navigation bar includes links for Contact Sales, Support, English, My Account, and Sign In to the Console. Below the navigation is a secondary navigation bar with links for Products, Solutions, Pricing, Documentation, Learn, Partner Network, AWS Marketplace, Customer Enablement, Events, Explore More, and a search icon. The main content area features a large heading "AWS Free Tier" and a sub-headline "Gain free, hands-on experience with the AWS platform, products, and services". A prominent yellow button at the bottom left says "Create a Free Account". To the right of the text is a decorative graphic of several 3D cubes in shades of orange and yellow.

<https://aws.amazon.com/free>

Install the AWS CLI



```
$ pip3 install --upgrade --user awscli
```

(This assumes you have Python3 installed)

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-chap-install.html>

Configure the AWS CLI



```
$ aws configure
AWS Access Key ID [*****6A3P]:
AWS Secret Access Key [*****V7L+]:
Default region name [us-east-1]:
Default output format [None]:
```

Install the Serverless Framework

Mac/Linux

Windows



```
$ curl -o- -L https://slss.io/install | bash
```



```
> choco install serverless
```

<https://serverless.com/framework/docs/getting-started/>

Install the Serverless Framework

(With npm)



```
$ npm install -g serverless
```

<https://serverless.com/framework/docs/getting-started/>

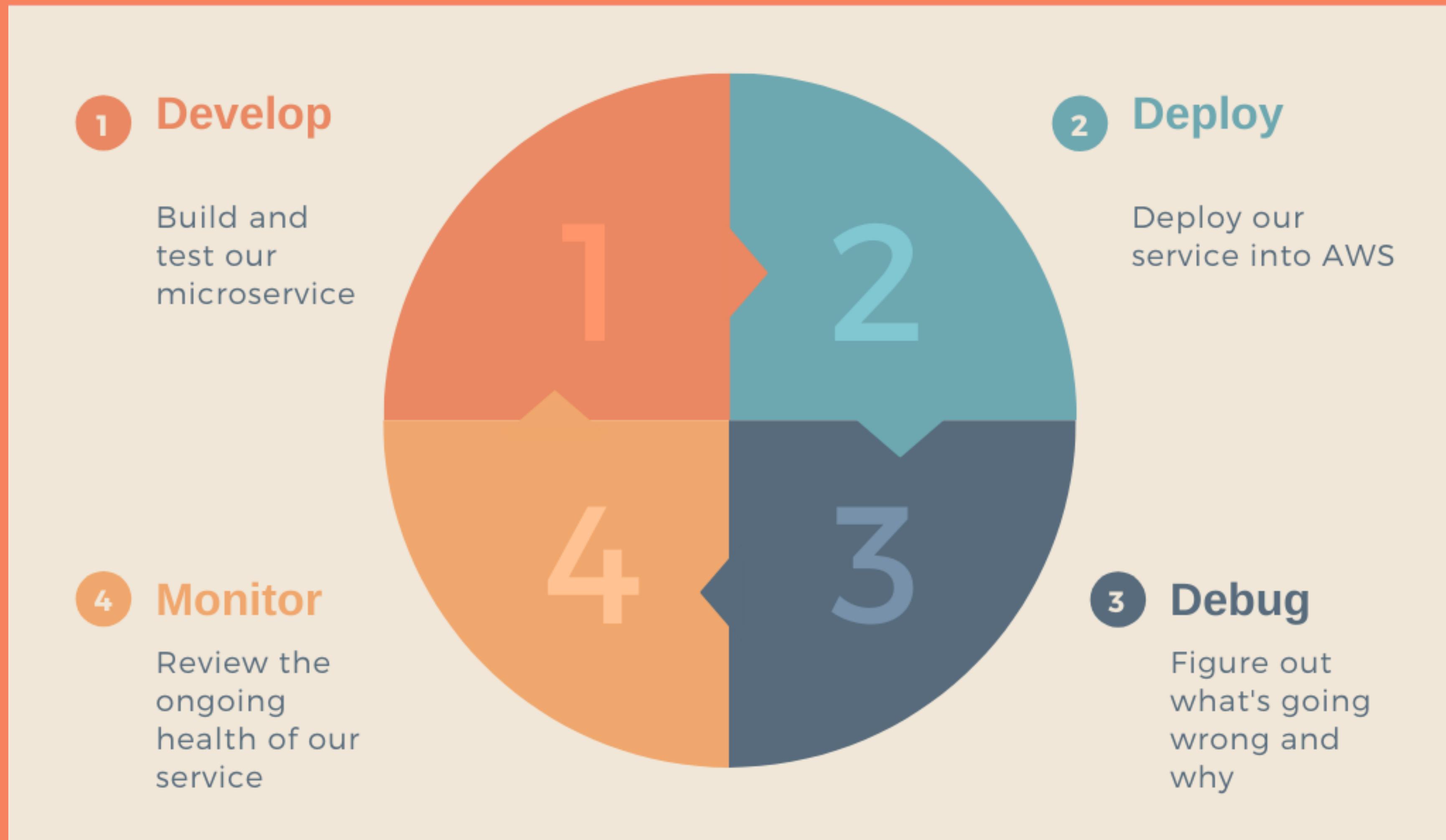
Clone the Project



```
$ git clone https://github.com/fernando-mc/serverless-devweek2020.git
```

<https://github.com/fernando-mc/serverless-devweek2020>

Develop



What are we developing?

Home Serverless Inc. Serverless Learn

🎵 Serverless Jams 🎵

Vote for your favorite serverless music:

The image shows three separate player cards, each with a play button, a song title, an artist name, and a Spotify logo. The first card is for 'Coderitis' by GERNIE B. with a purple background. The second card is for 'Stateless' by Faux Tales with a grey background. The third card is for 'Dynamo' by Si Cranstoun with a dark background.

Vote for Your Favorite Song:

Enter your phone number for us to text you a voting code:

+15556667777 Generate

Enter your code, pick your song, and vote!

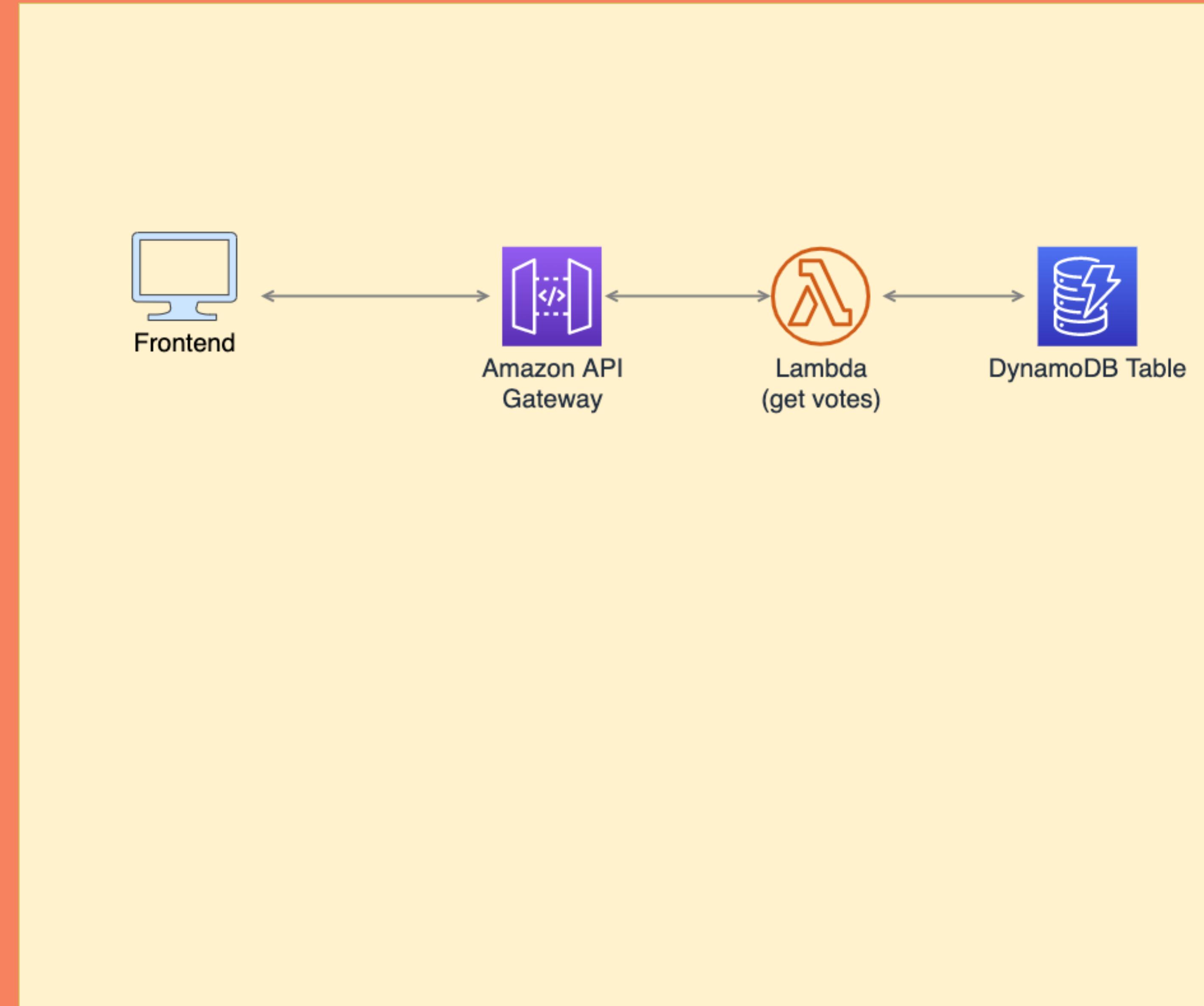
Vote Code

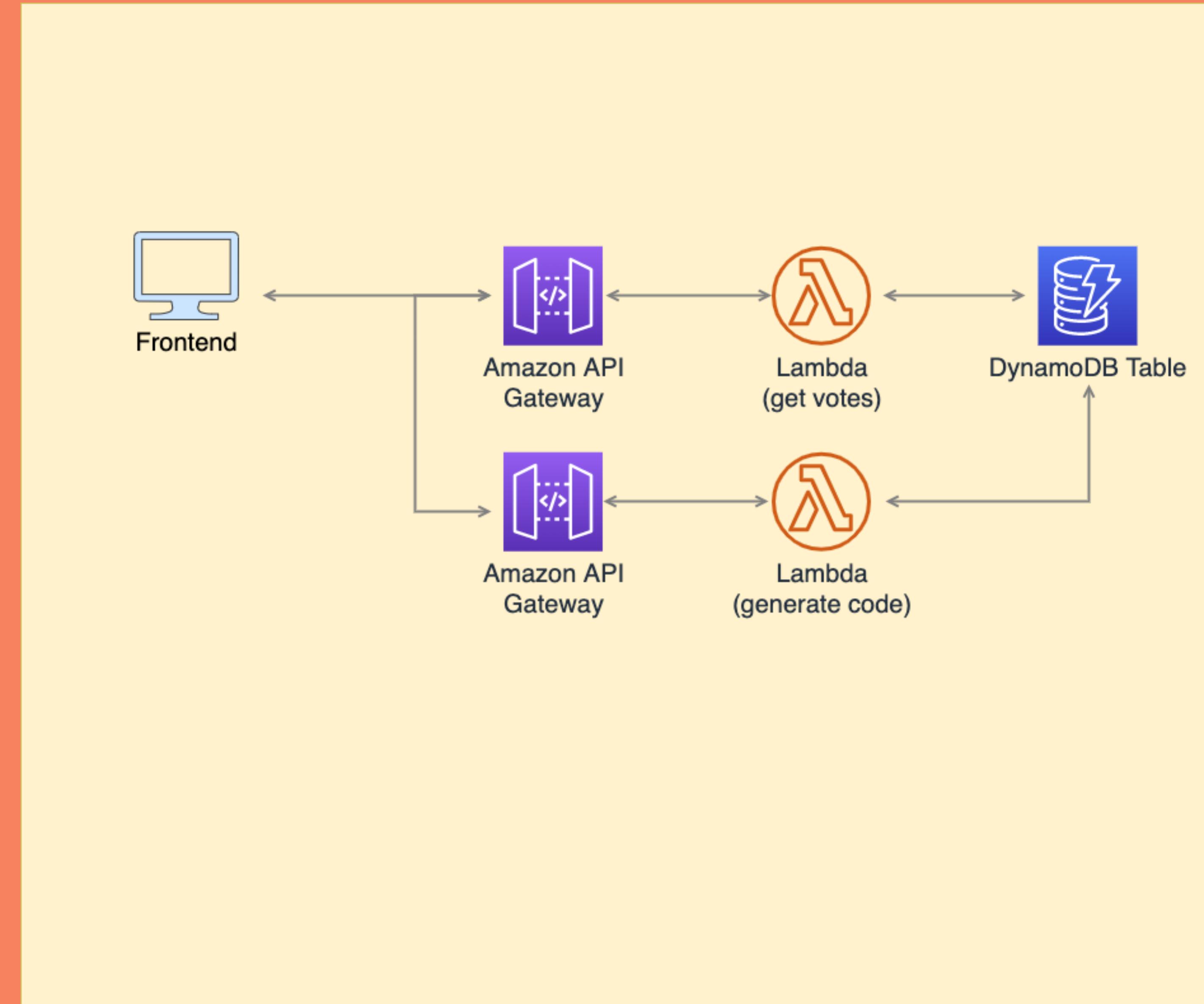
Song

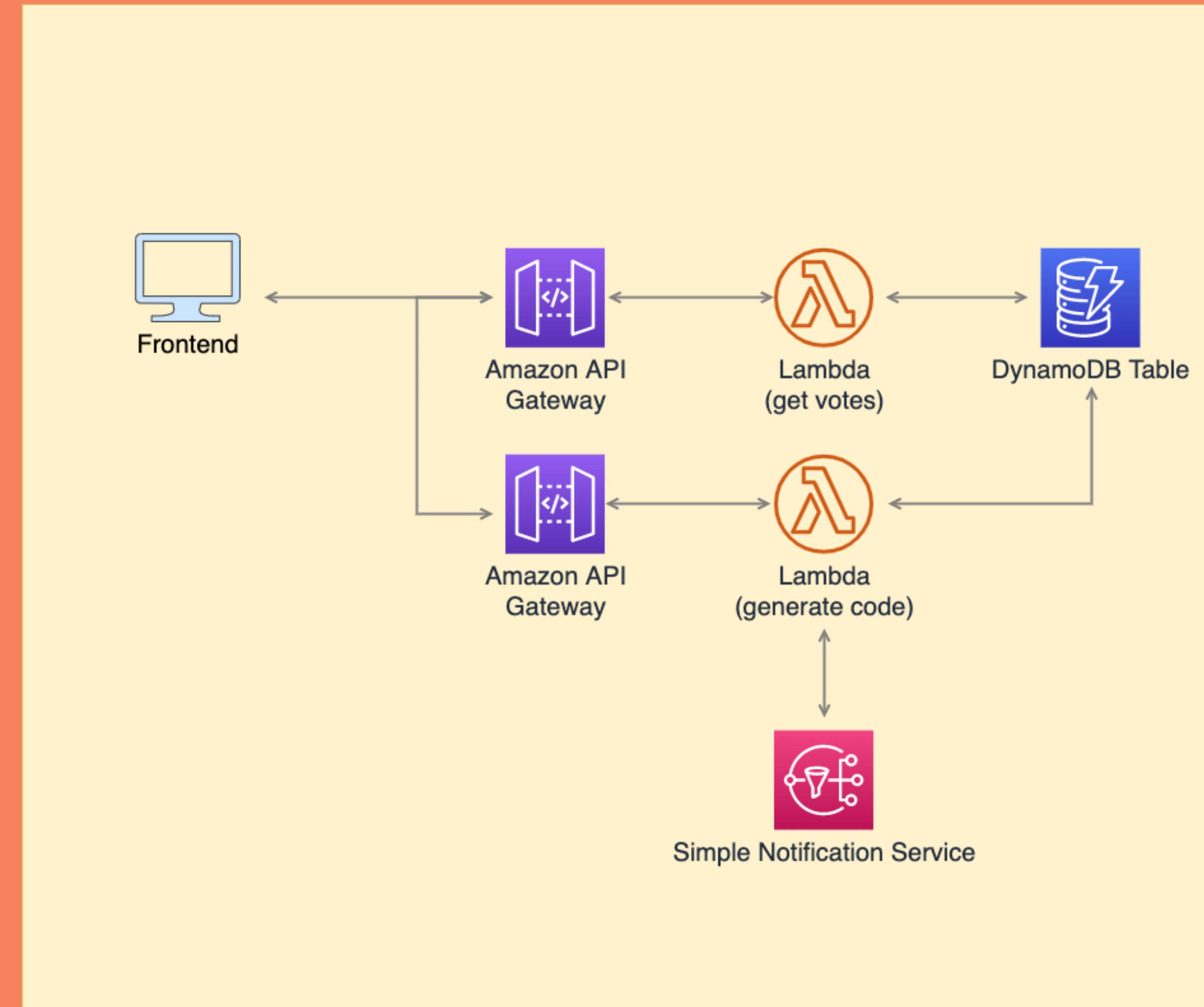
Vote!

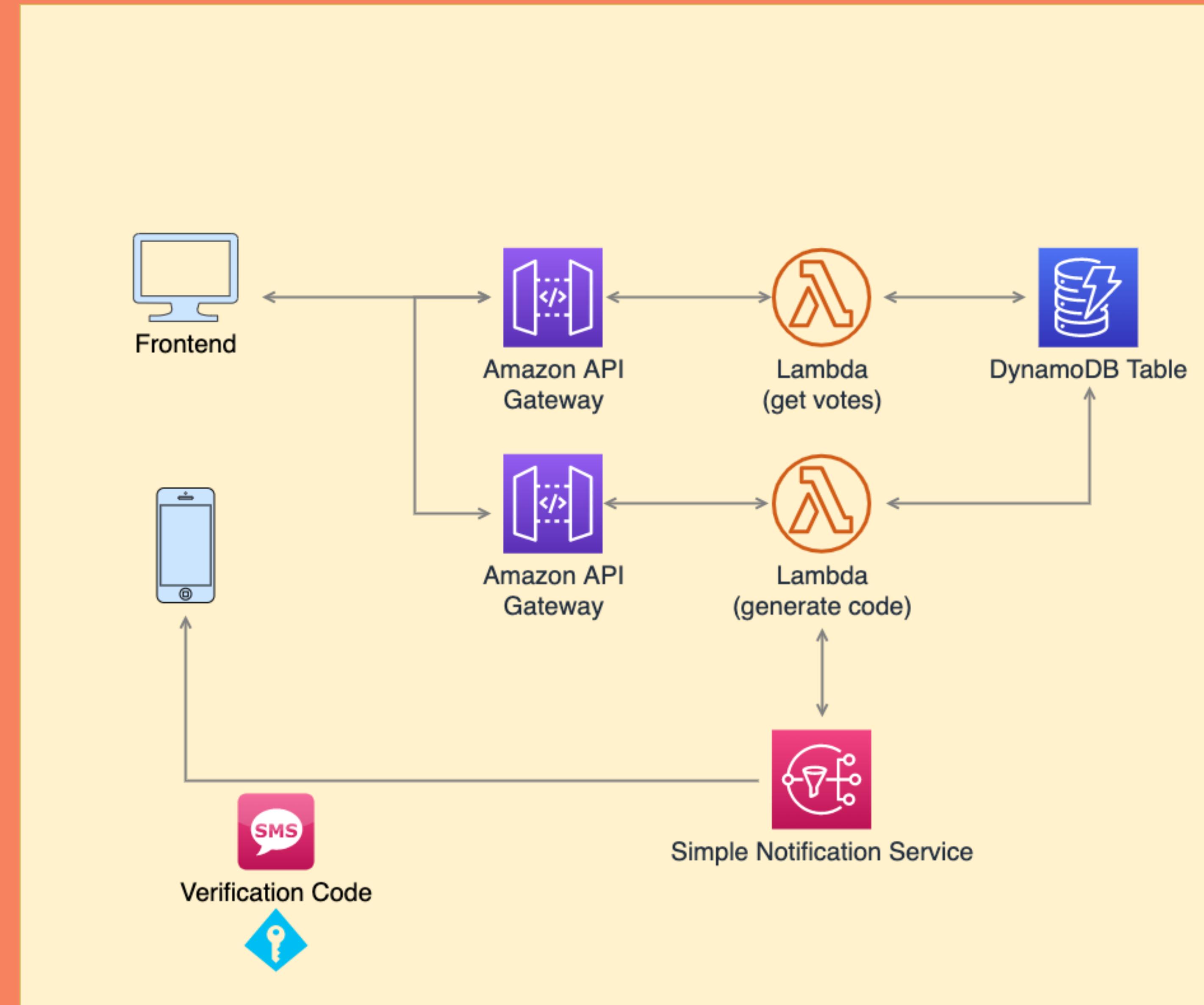
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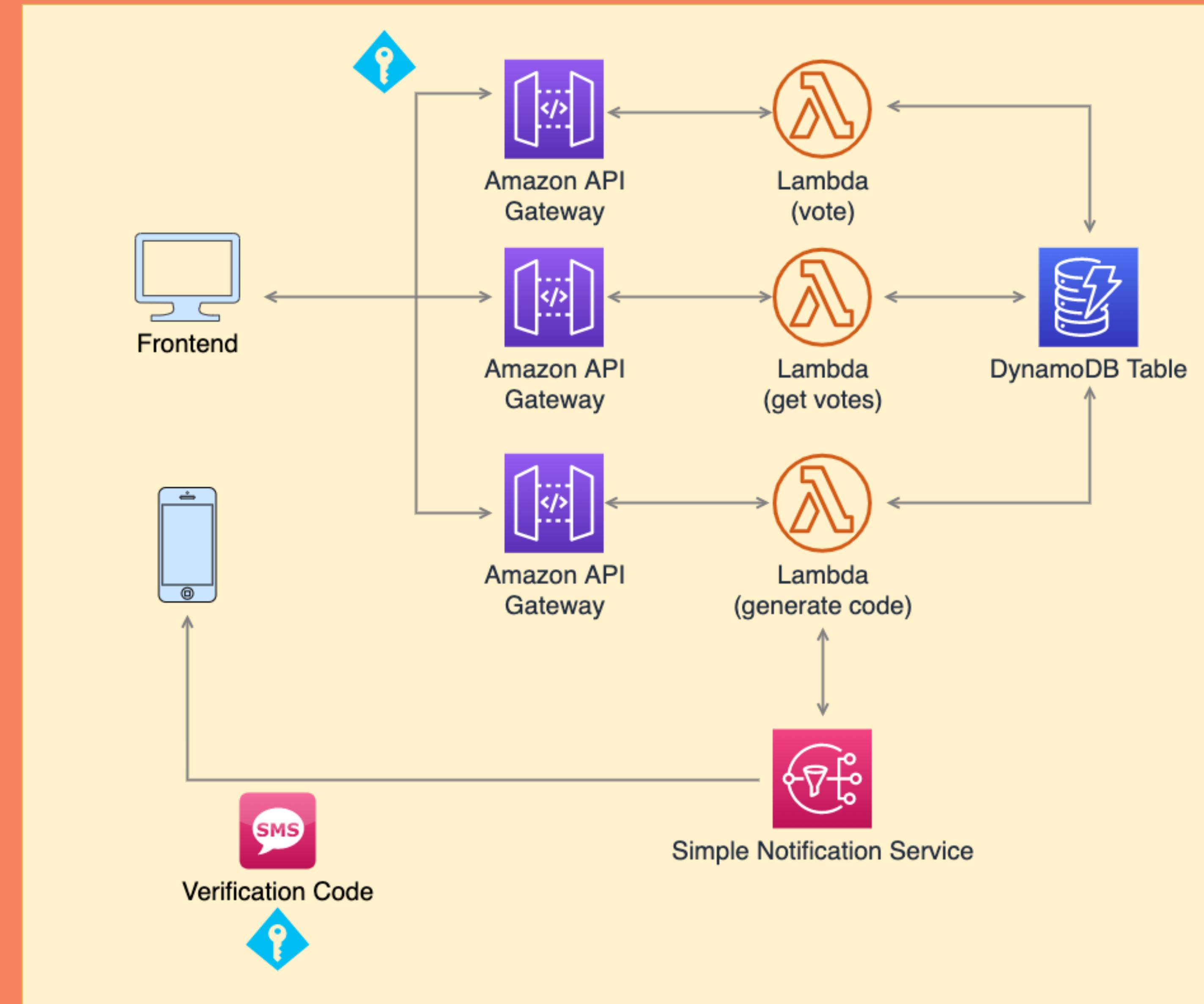
How does it work?





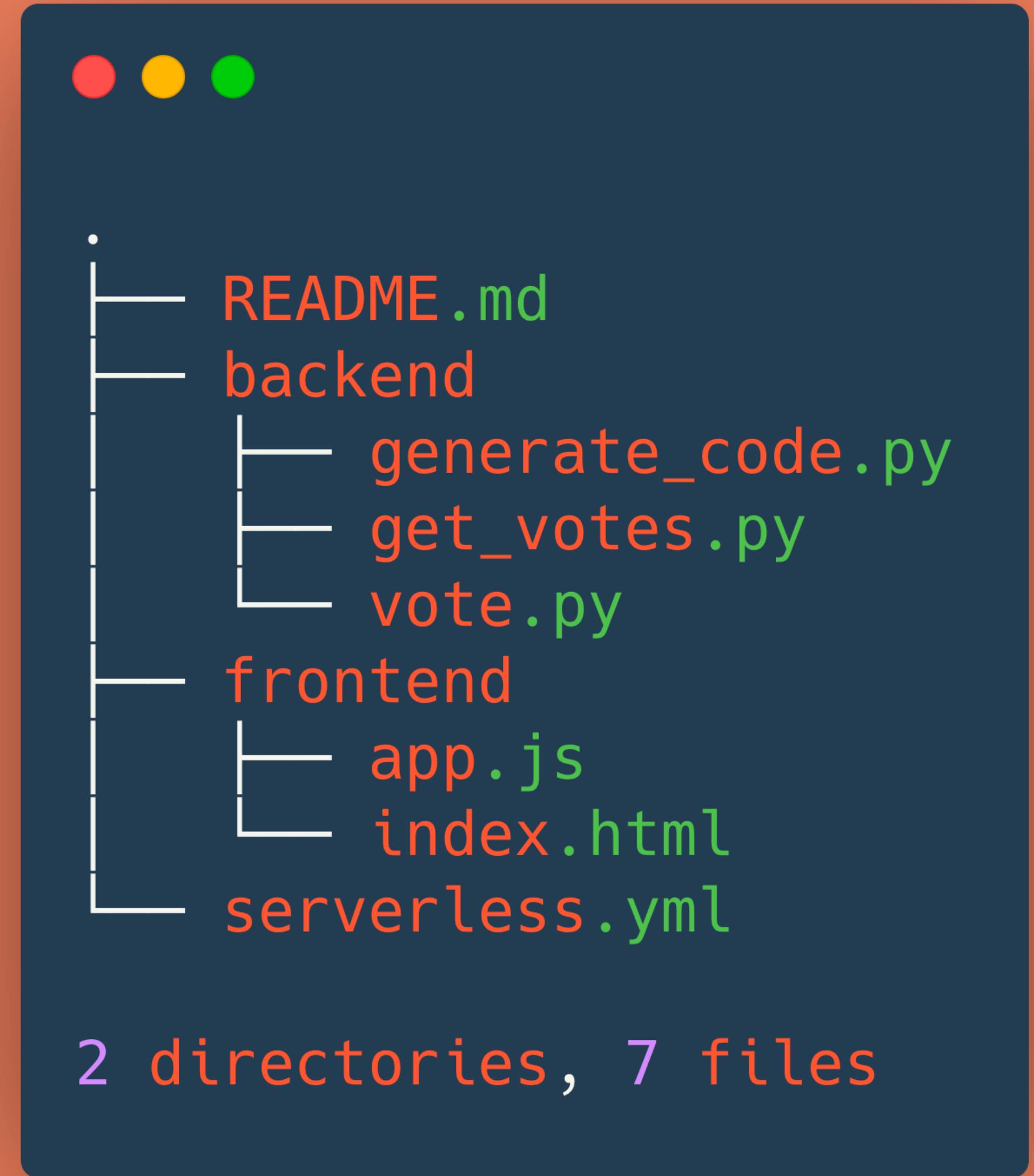






What's the code look like?

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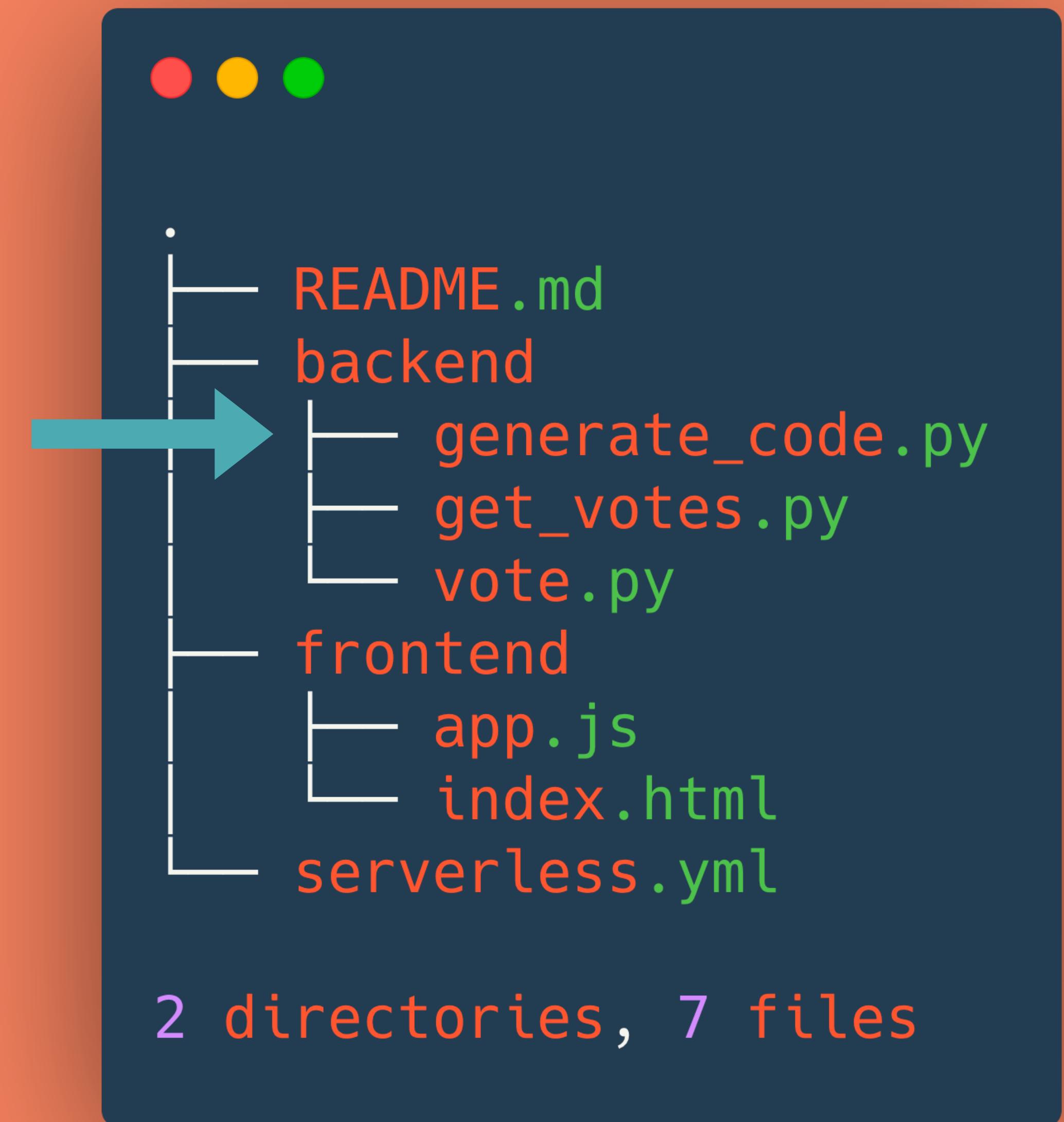
A screenshot of a Mac OS X desktop showing a terminal window. The window has three colored status icons at the top: red, yellow, and green. The terminal displays a file tree starting from the current directory (indicated by a dot). The tree includes:

- README.md
- backend
 - generate_code.py
 - get_votes.py
 - vote.py
- frontend
 - app.js
 - index.html
- serverless.yml

At the bottom of the terminal window, the text "2 directories, 7 files" is displayed.

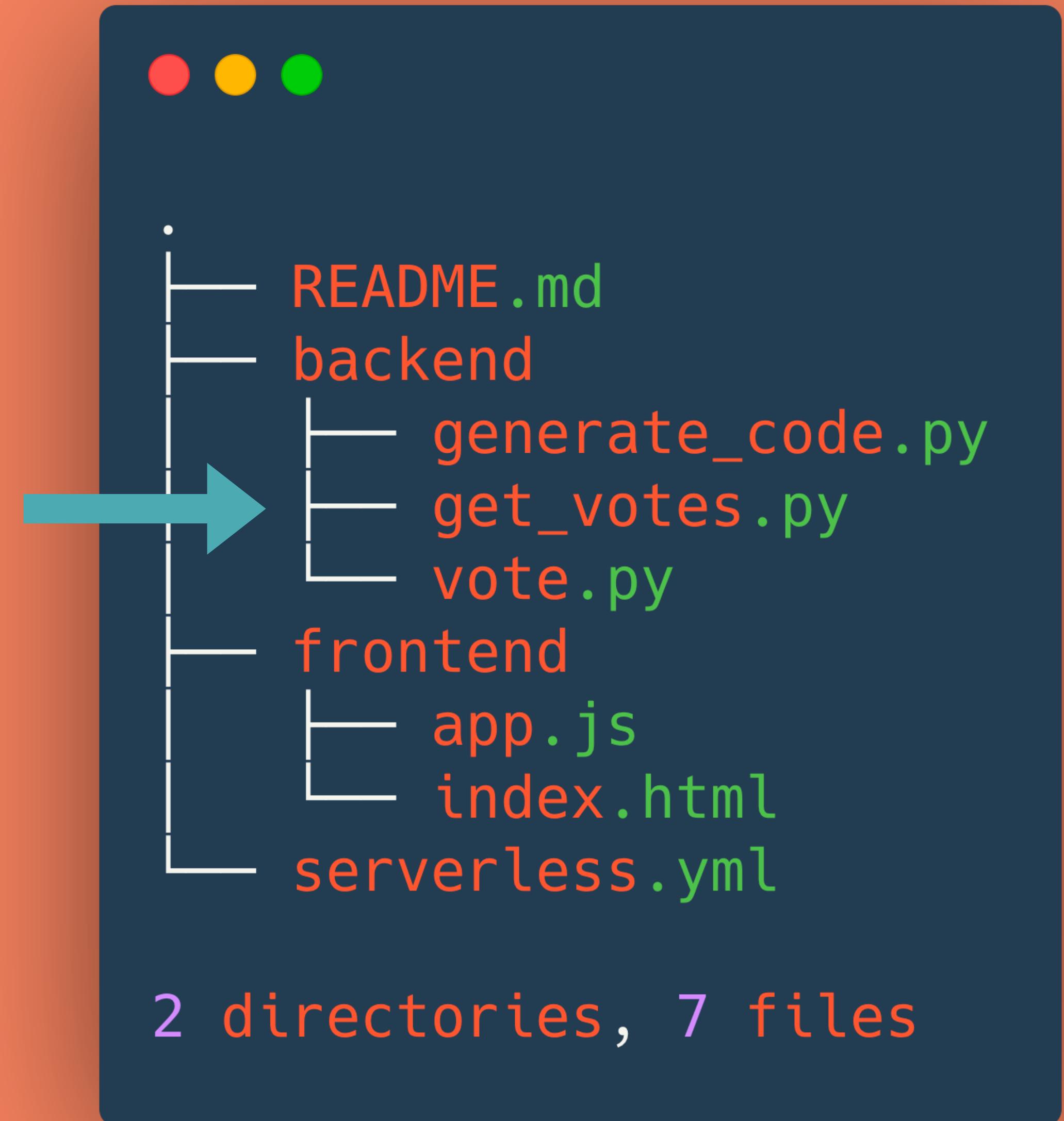
generate_code.py

1. Phone number as input
2. (re)generates verification code
3. Sends the code to the number



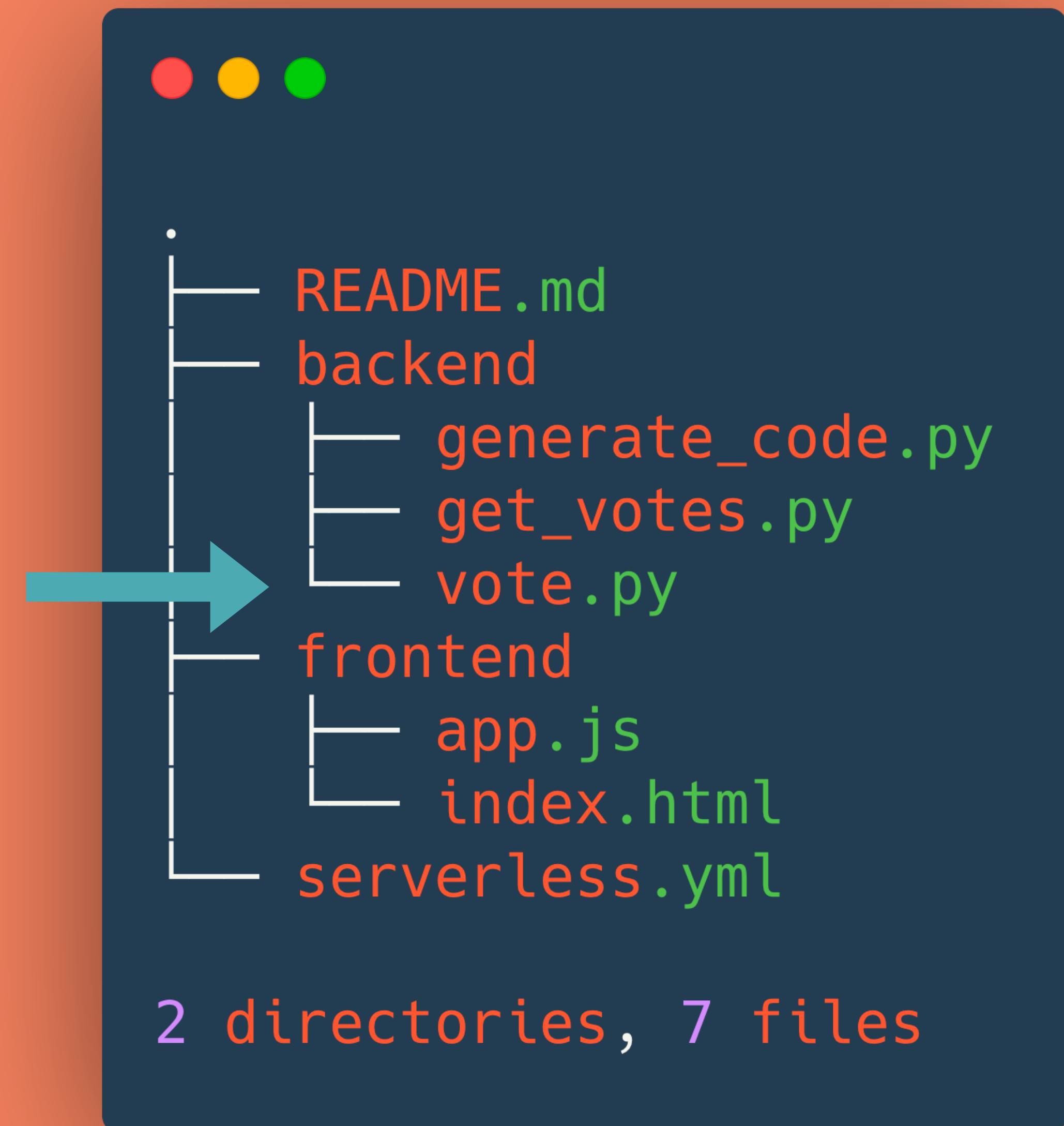
get_votes.py

1. Gets vote counts for all songs
2. Returns them to the frontend



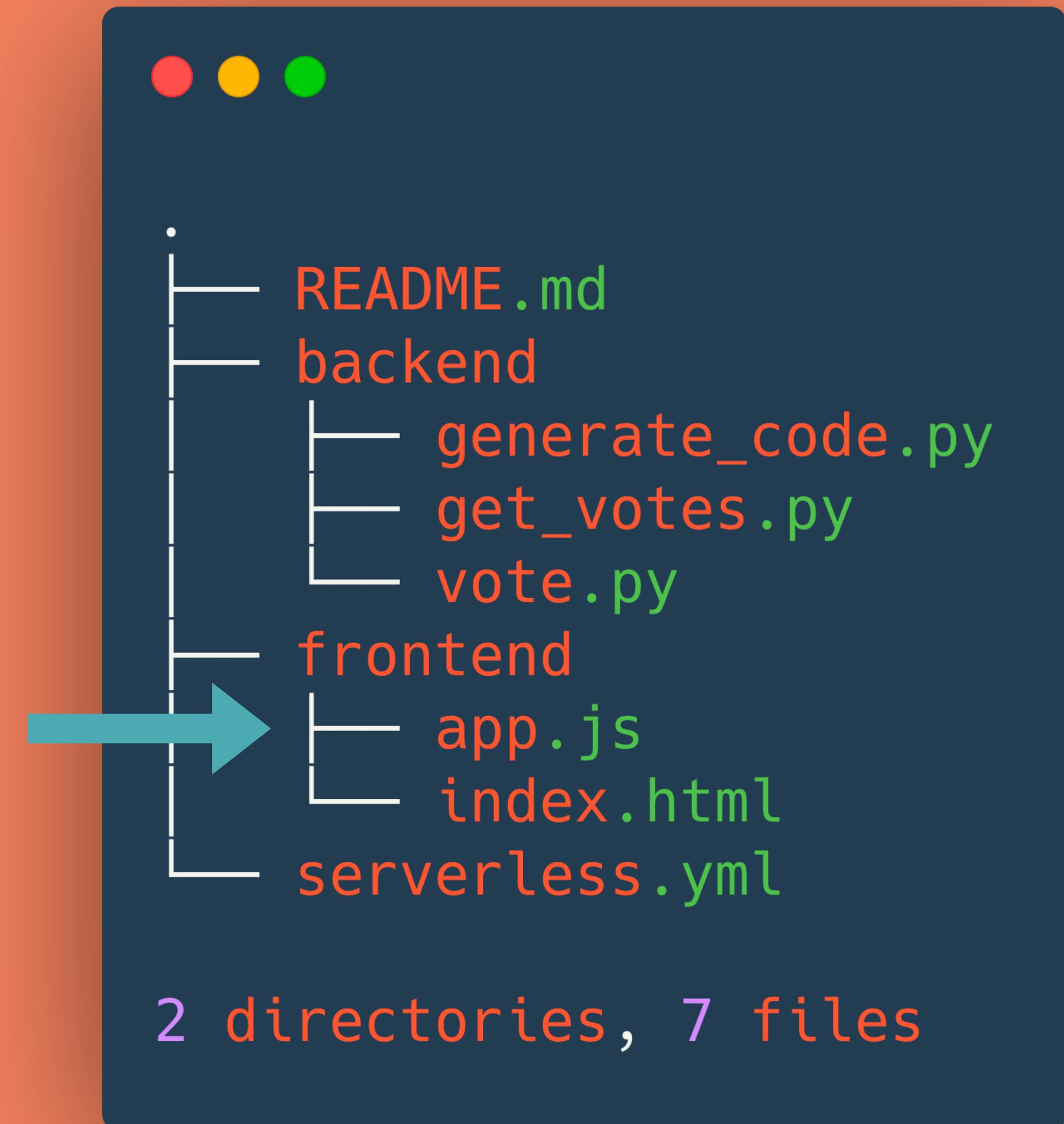
vote.py

1. Verified phone number/code
2. Sets the code as used
3. Increments a vote counter
4. Returns the new vote count



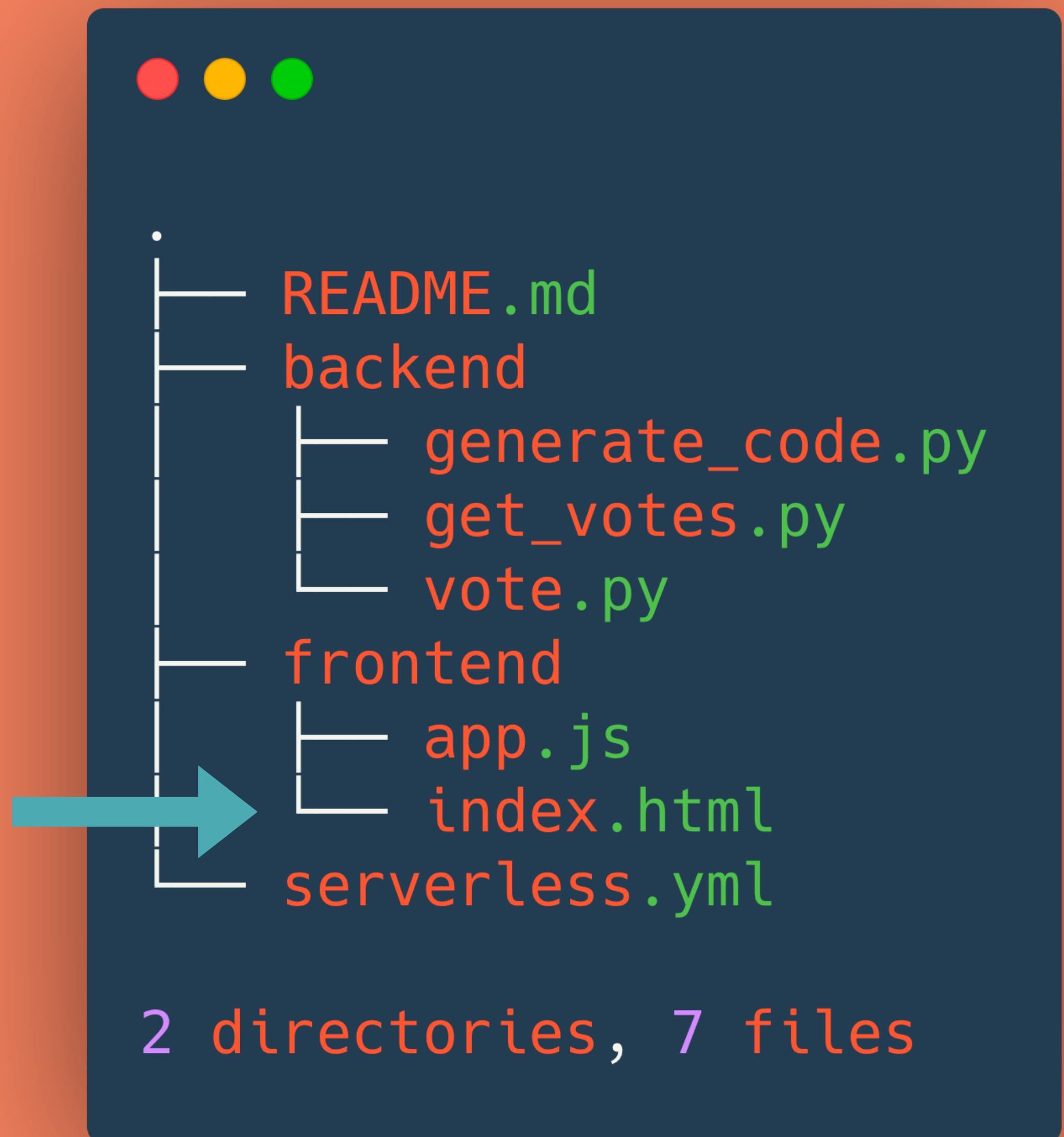
app.js

1. Handles interacting with the API
2. Updates vote counts in the UI
3. Provides helper text for the user



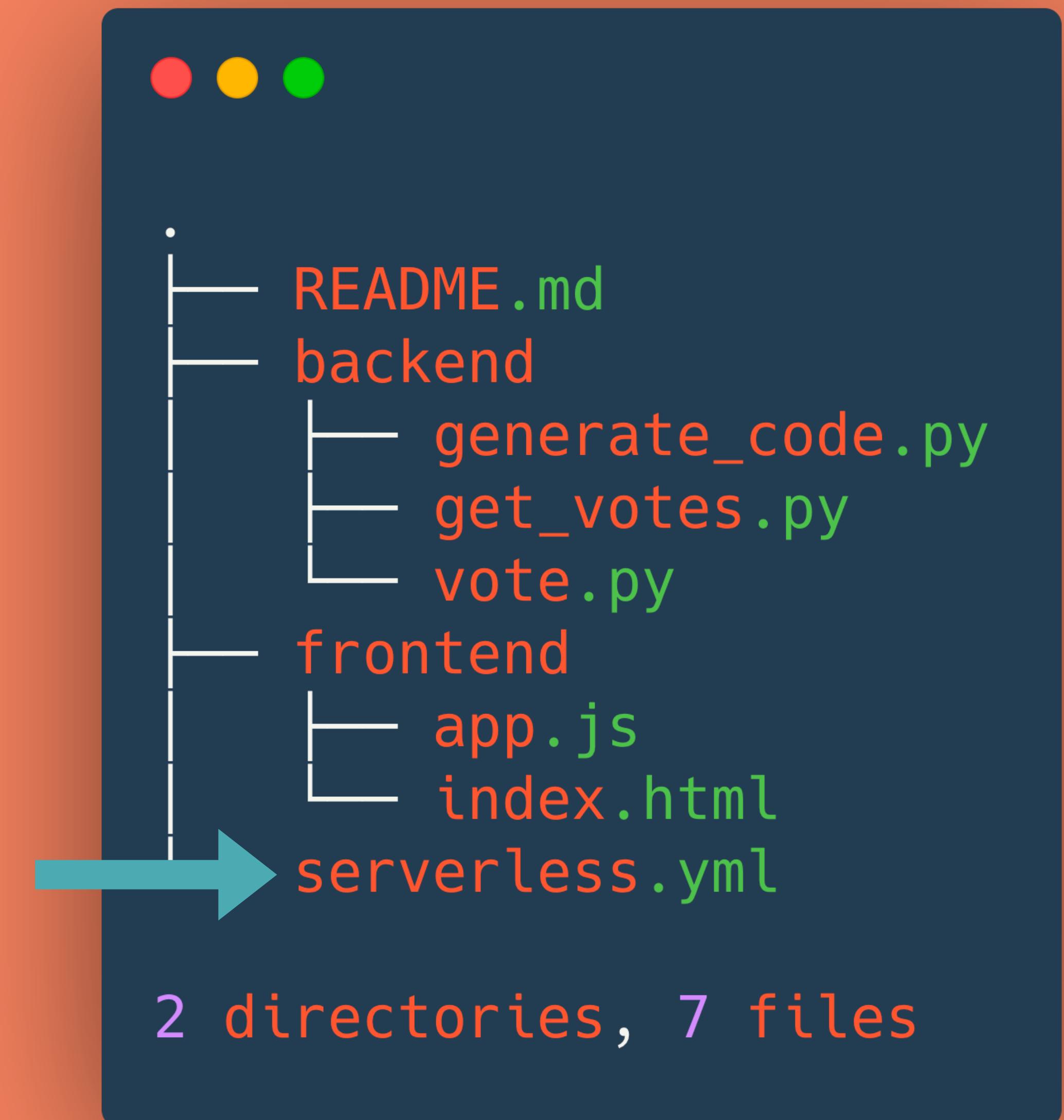
index.html

1. Snazzy Spotify embeds!
2. Pretty Semantic UI buttons!
3. Cool vote counters!



serverless.yml

1. Creates Lambda Functions
2. Creates API Gateway Endpoints
3. Creates our DynamoDB table
4. Sets the service's permissions



What's in serverless.yml?

Service Configuration



```
org: devweek2020
app: sls-jams
service: serverlessjams
```

```
frameworkVersion: ">=1.53.0 <2.0.0"
```

```
...
```

Provider details

```
● ● ●  
...  
provider:  
  name: aws  
  runtime: python3.7  
  region: us-east-1  
  environment:  
    DYNAMODB_TABLE: ${self:service}-${opt:stage, self:provider.stage}  
...
```

Provider details - IAM Roles

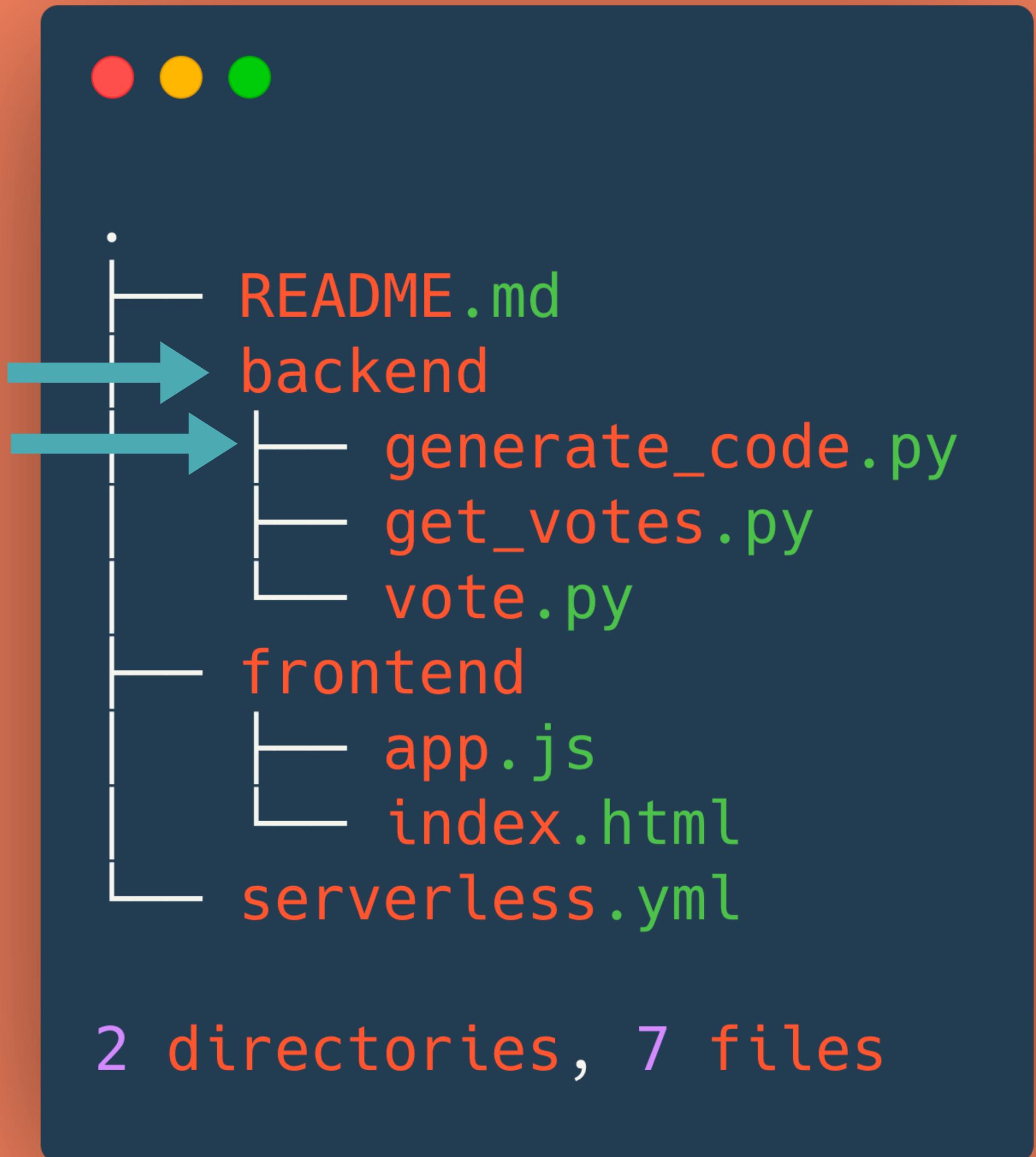
```
● ● ●  
...  
provider:  
...  
iamRoleStatements:  
  - Effect: Allow  
    Action:  
      - dynamodb:Query  
      - dynamodb:Scan  
      - dynamodb:PutItem  
      - dynamodb:UpdateItem  
      Resource: "arn:aws:dynamodb:${opt:region,  
self:provider.region}::table/${self:provider.environment.DYNAMODB_TABLE}"  
...
```

Provider details - IAM Roles

```
● ● ●  
...  
provider:  
...  
iamRoleStatements:  
...  
  - Effect: Allow  
    Action:  
      - sns:Publish  
    Resource: "*"  
...  
...
```

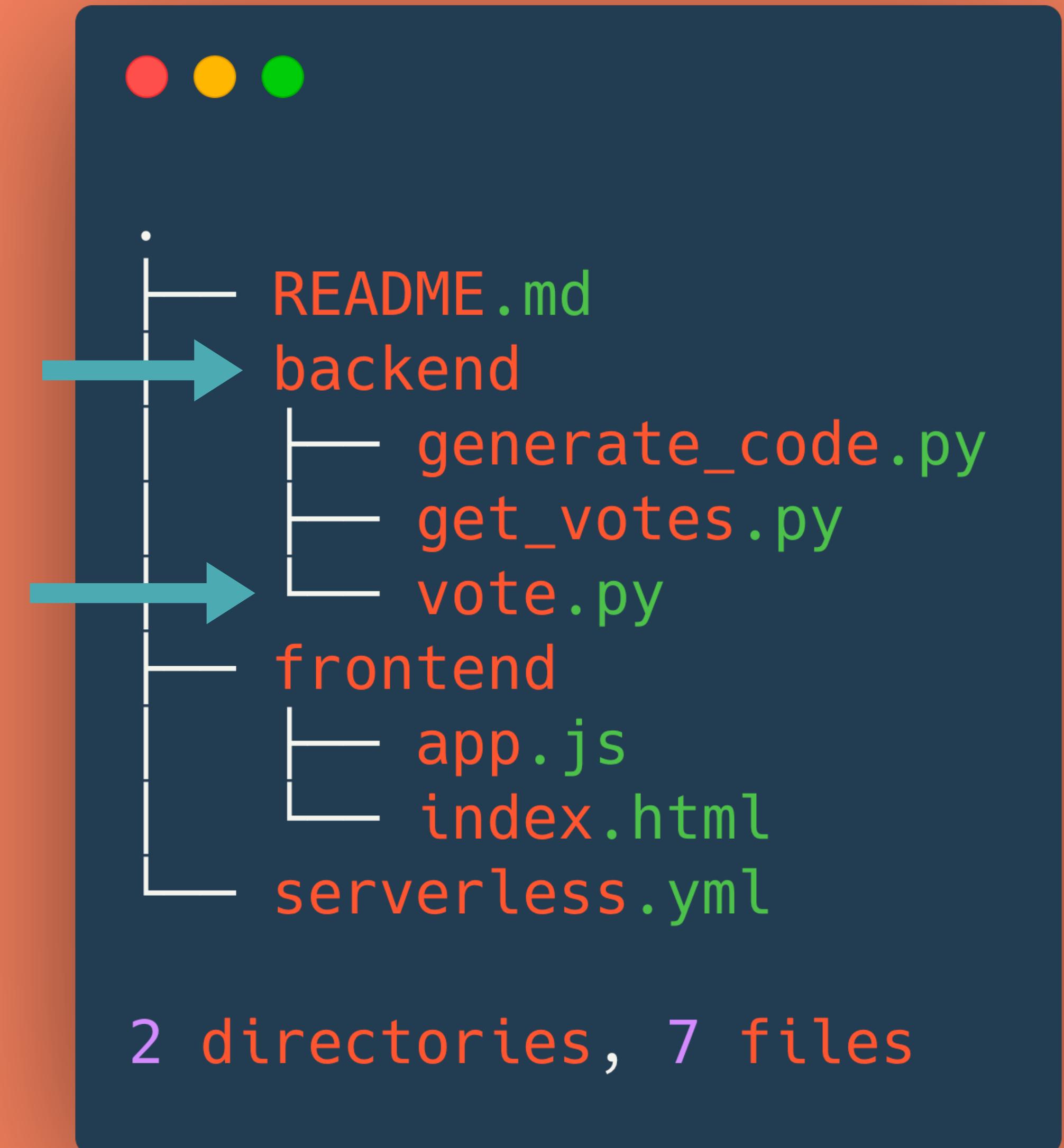
Function Definitions

```
● ● ●  
...  
functions:  
  generateCode:  
    handler: backend/generate_code.handler  
    events:  
      - http:  
        path: send-code  
        method: post  
        cors: true  
    ...
```



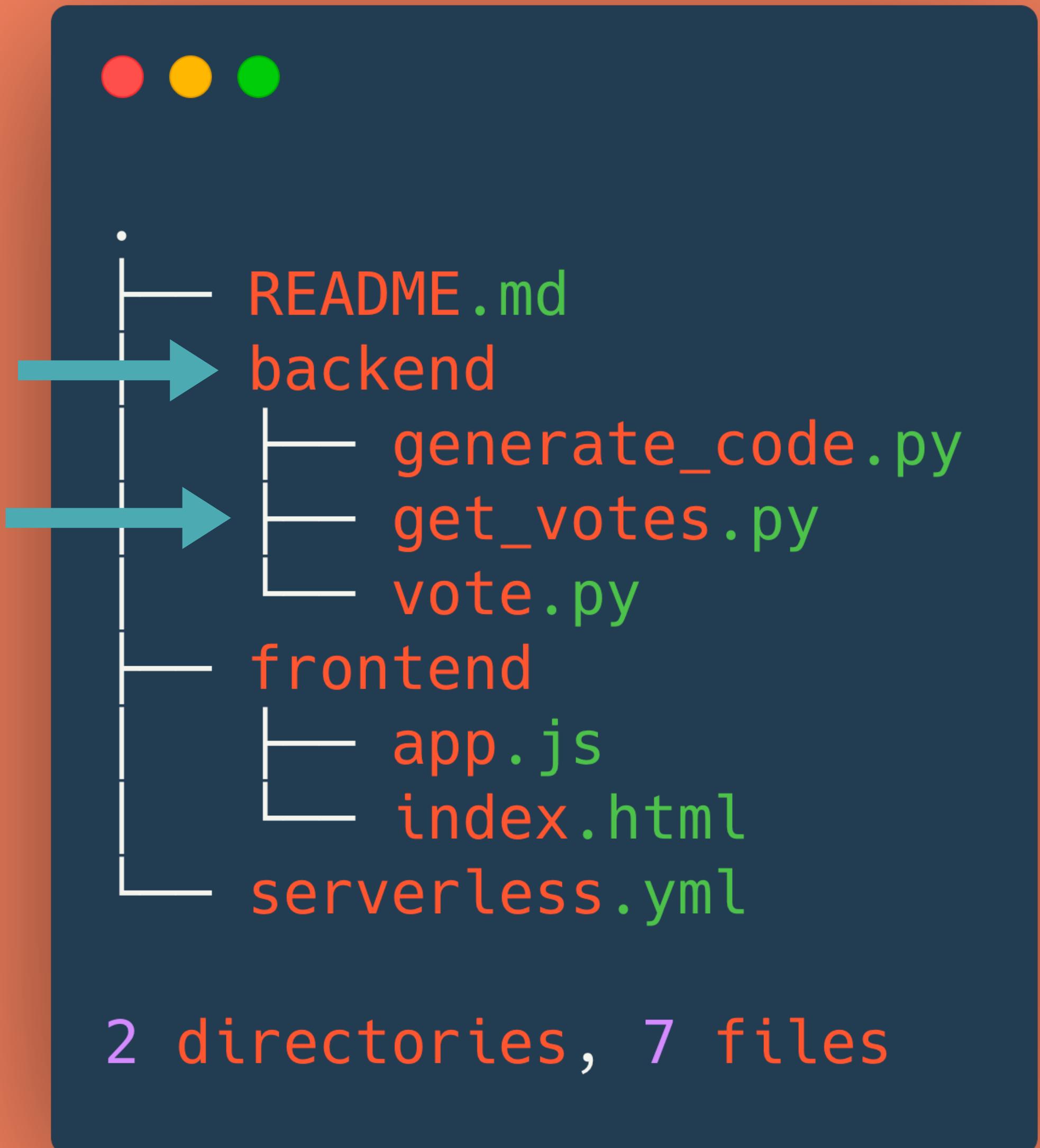
Function Definitions

```
● ● ●  
...  
functions:  
...  
vote:  
  handler: backend/vote.handler  
  events:  
    - http:  
      path: song/vote  
      method: post  
      cors: true  
...  
...
```



Function Definitions

```
...  
functions:  
...  
getVotes:  
  handler: backend/get_votes.handler  
events:  
  - http:  
    path: votes  
    method: get  
    cors: true  
...  
...
```



Resources

```
...
resources:
  Resources:
    usersTable:
      Type: AWS::DynamoDB::Table
      Properties:
        TableName: ${self:provider.environment.DYNAMODB_TABLE}
        AttributeDefinitions:
          - AttributeName: pk
            AttributeType: S
          - AttributeName: sk
            AttributeType: S
        KeySchema:
          - AttributeName: pk
            KeyType: HASH
          - AttributeName: sk
            KeyType: RANGE
        ProvisionedThroughput:
          ReadCapacityUnits: 1
          WriteCapacityUnits: 1
...
...
```

Optional Packaging



```
...  
package:  
exclude:  
- frontend/**  
- README.md
```

How many total lines of code?



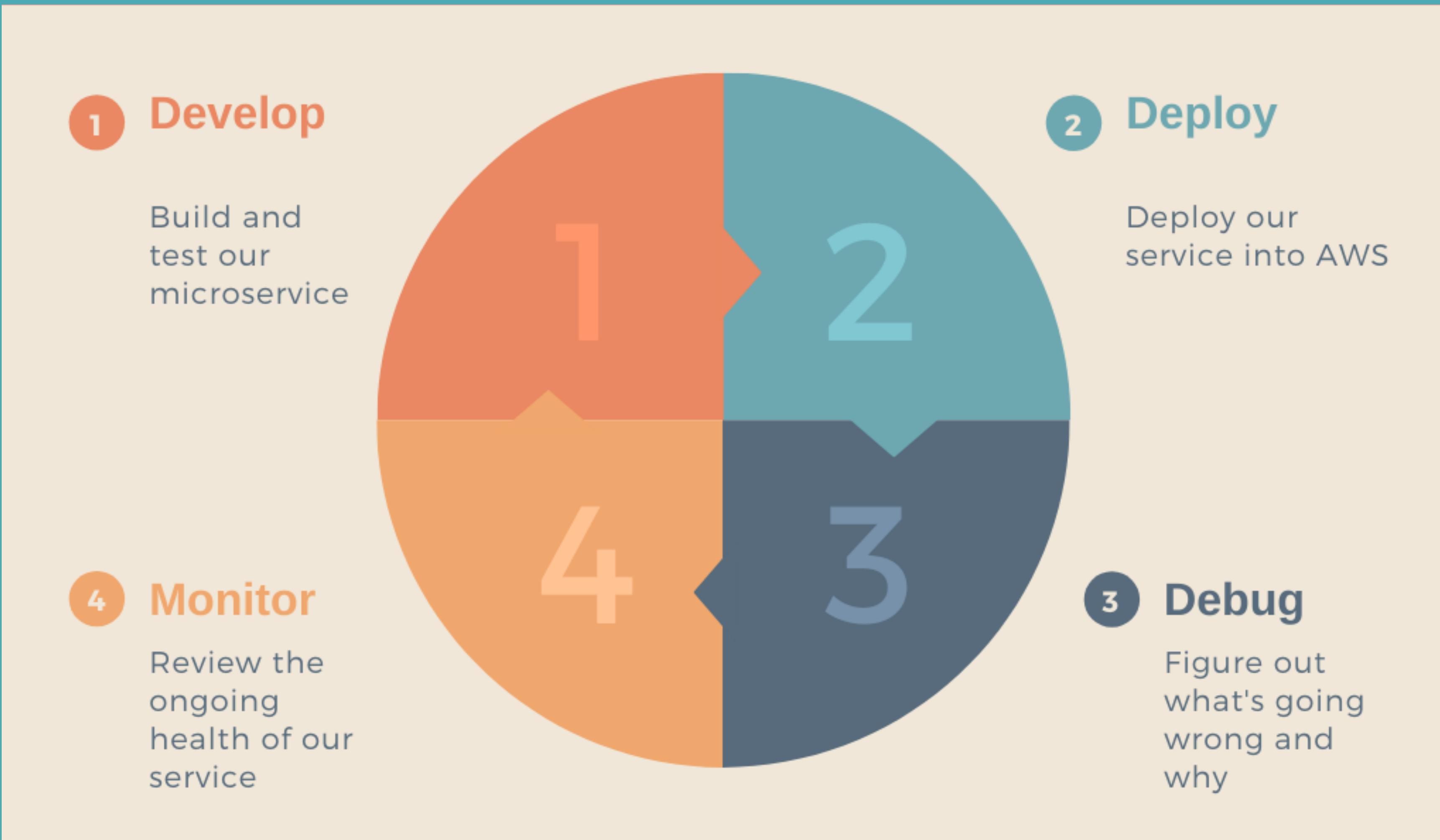
(README not included)

Total lines: 436

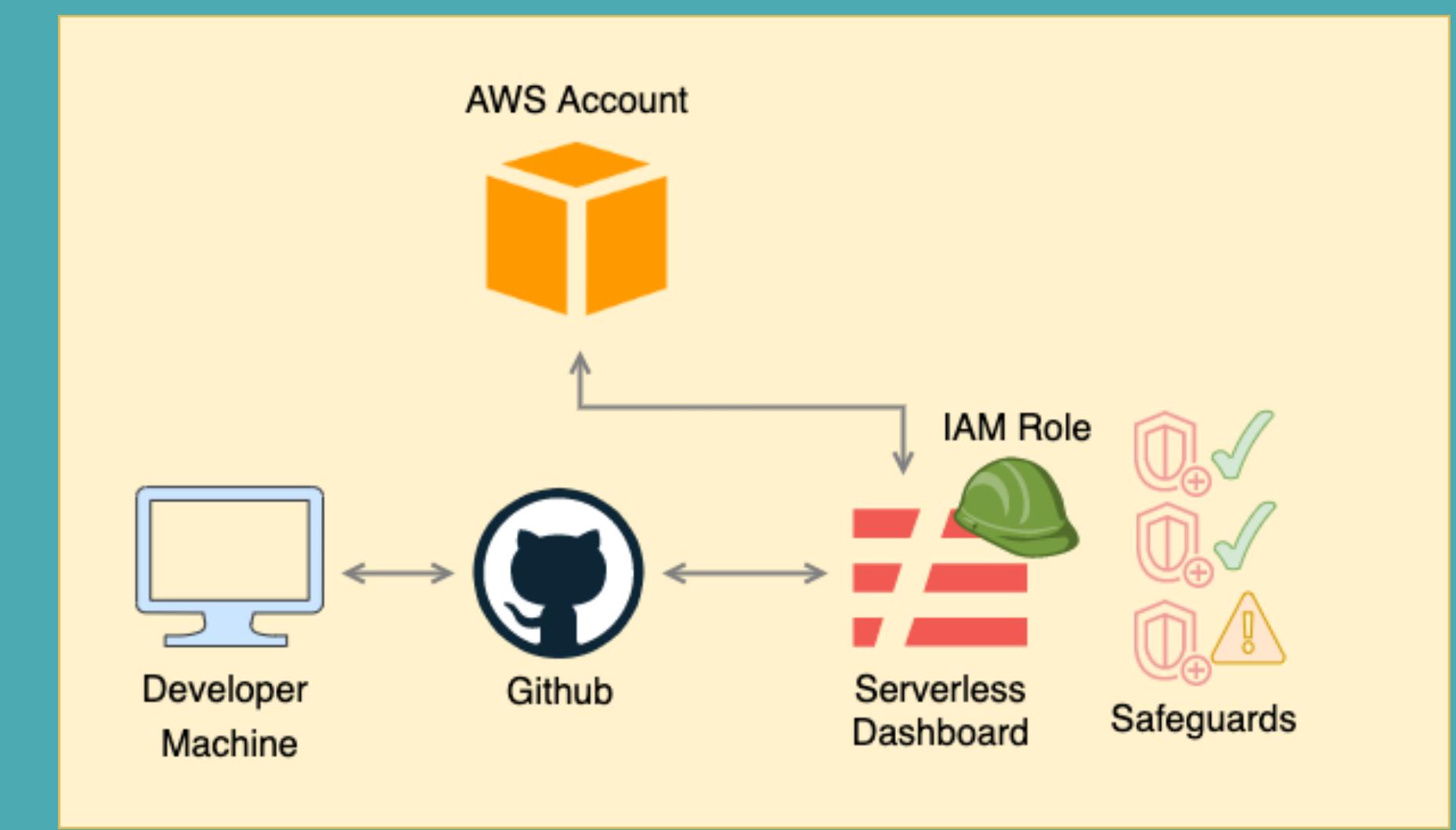
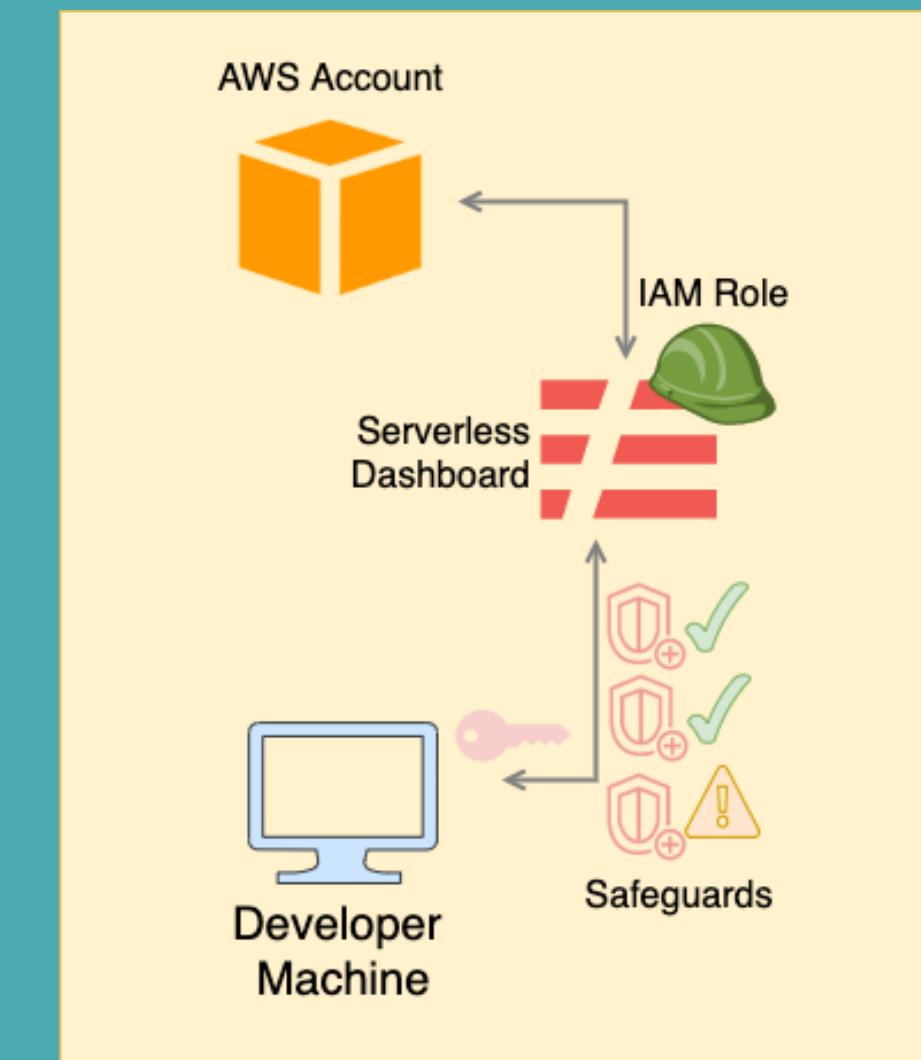
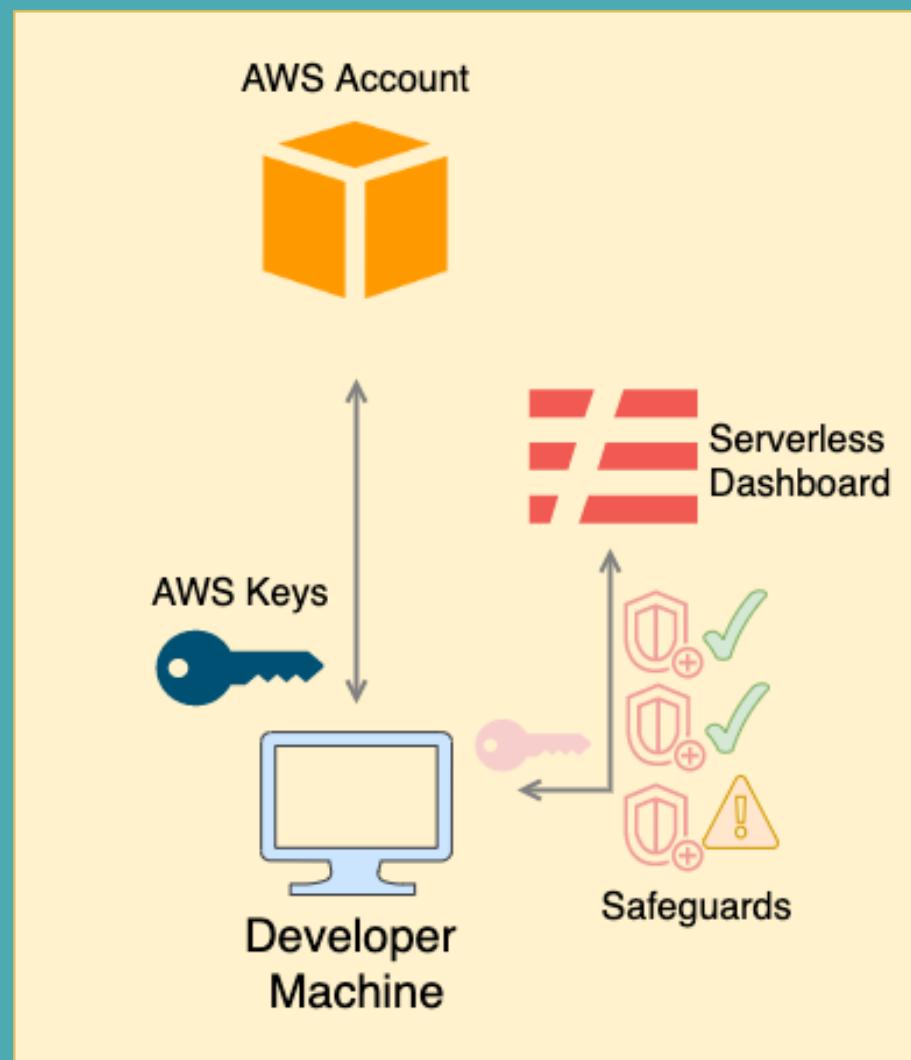
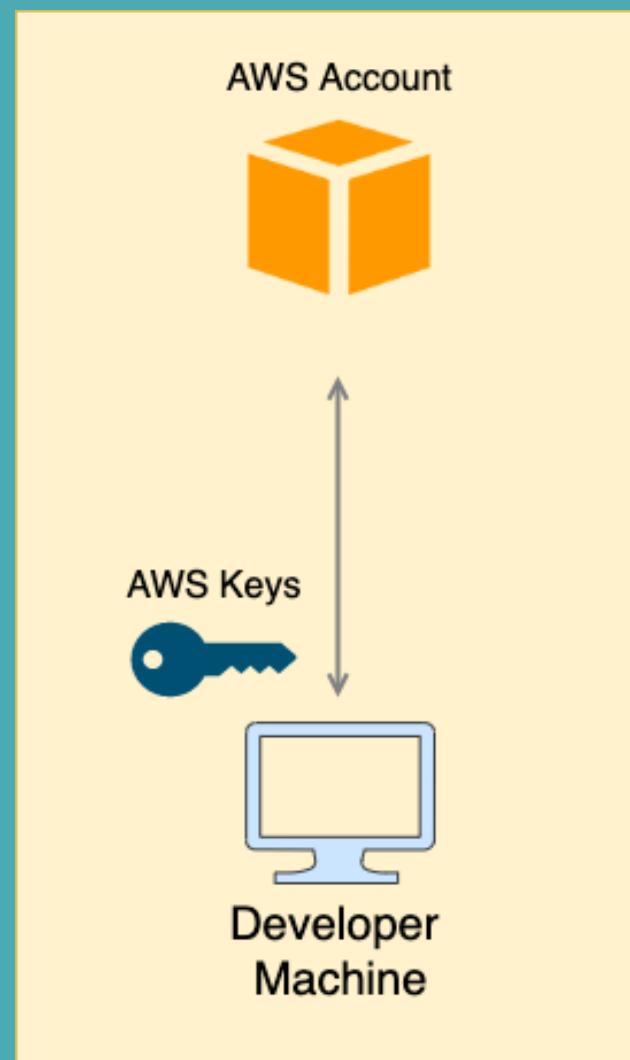


```
$ wc -l backend/* frontend/* serverless.yml  
62 backend/generate_code.py  
27 backend/get_votes.py  
71 backend/vote.py  
78 frontend/app.js  
128 frontend/index.html  
70 serverless.yml  
436 total
```

Deploy



Deployment Options

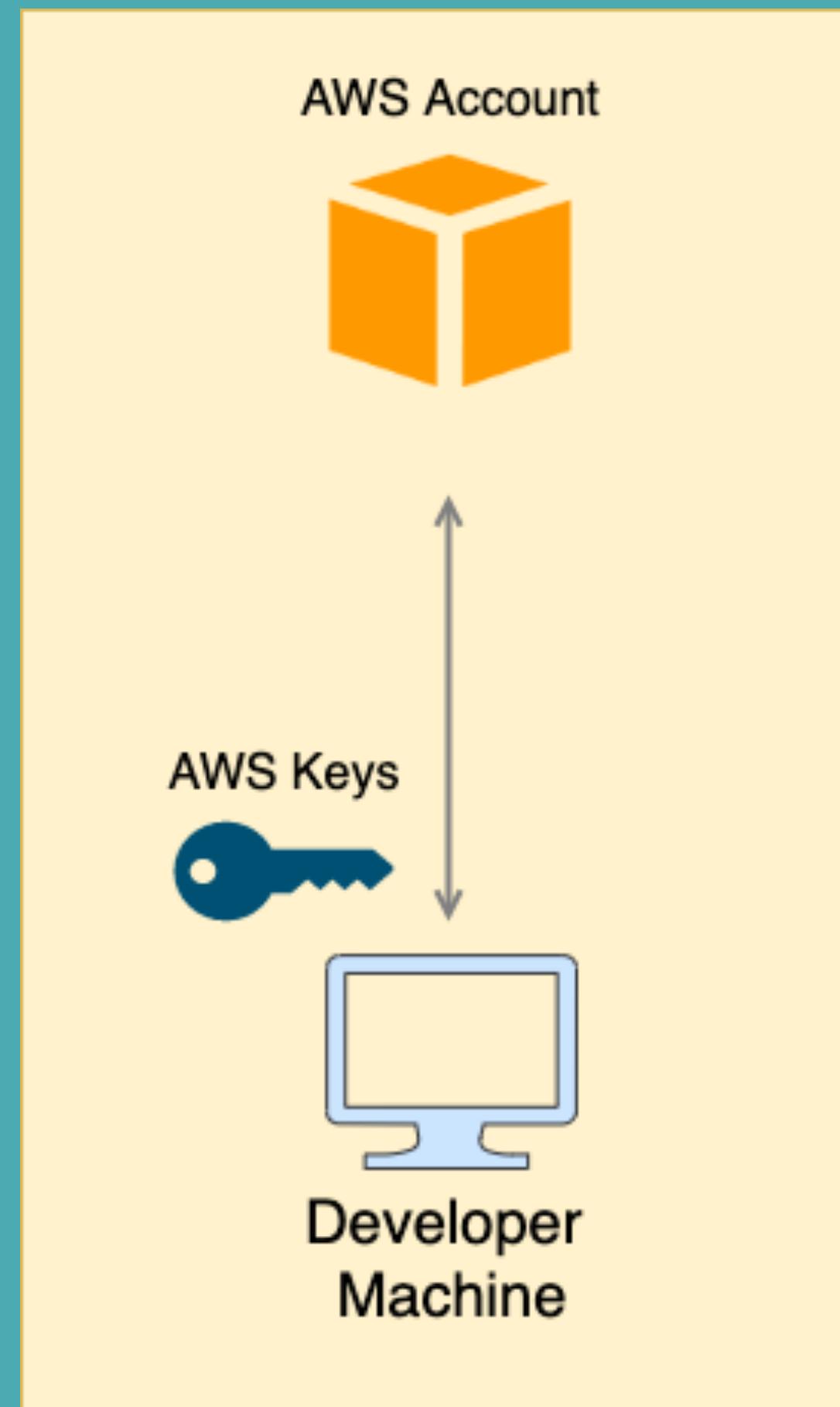


Local AWS Keys
(2 options)

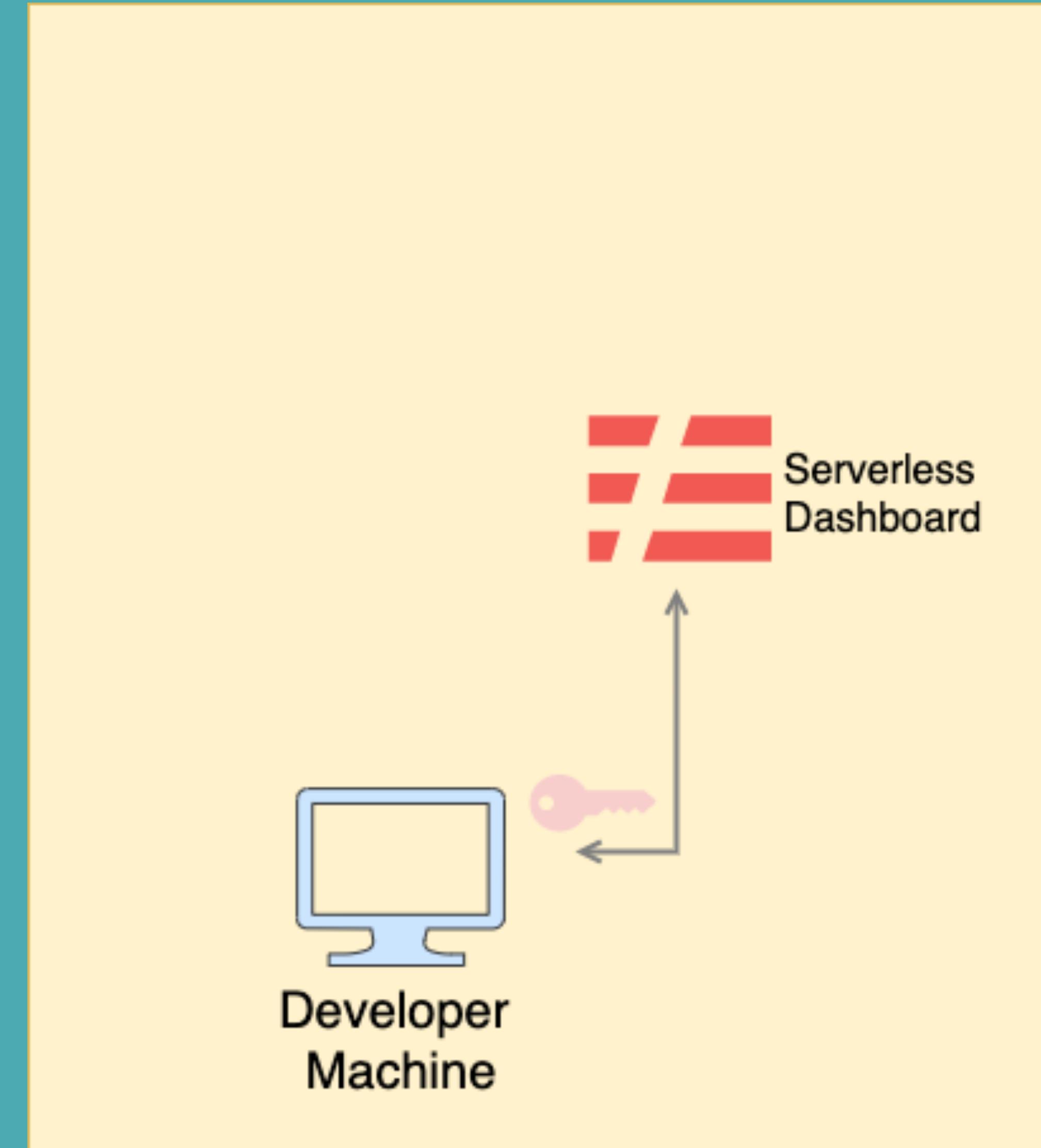
Using the
Serverless
Dashboard

Using Serverless
CI/CD

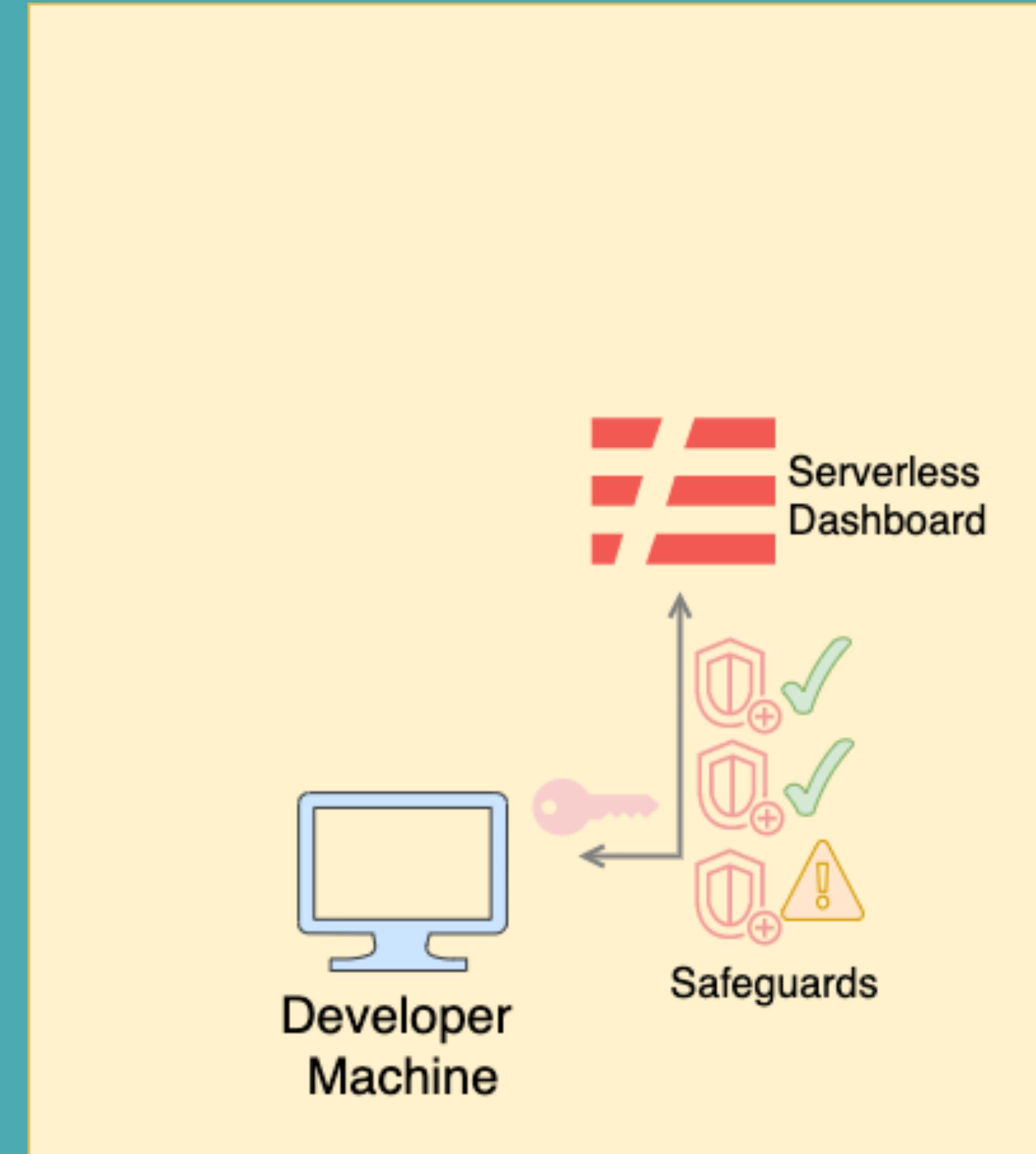
Local AWS Keys



AWS Keys & Serverless Safeguards



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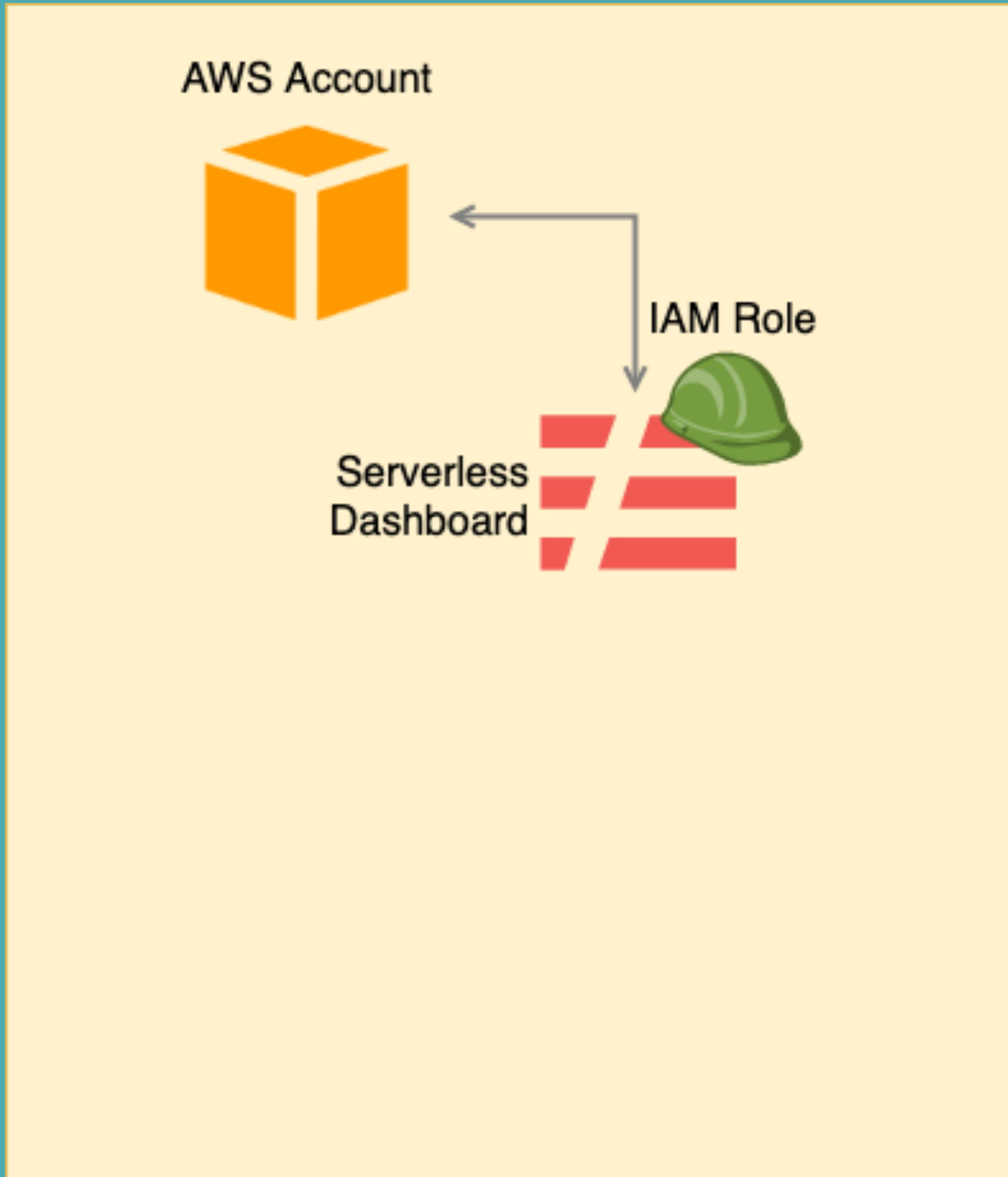


Deploying with Local Keys

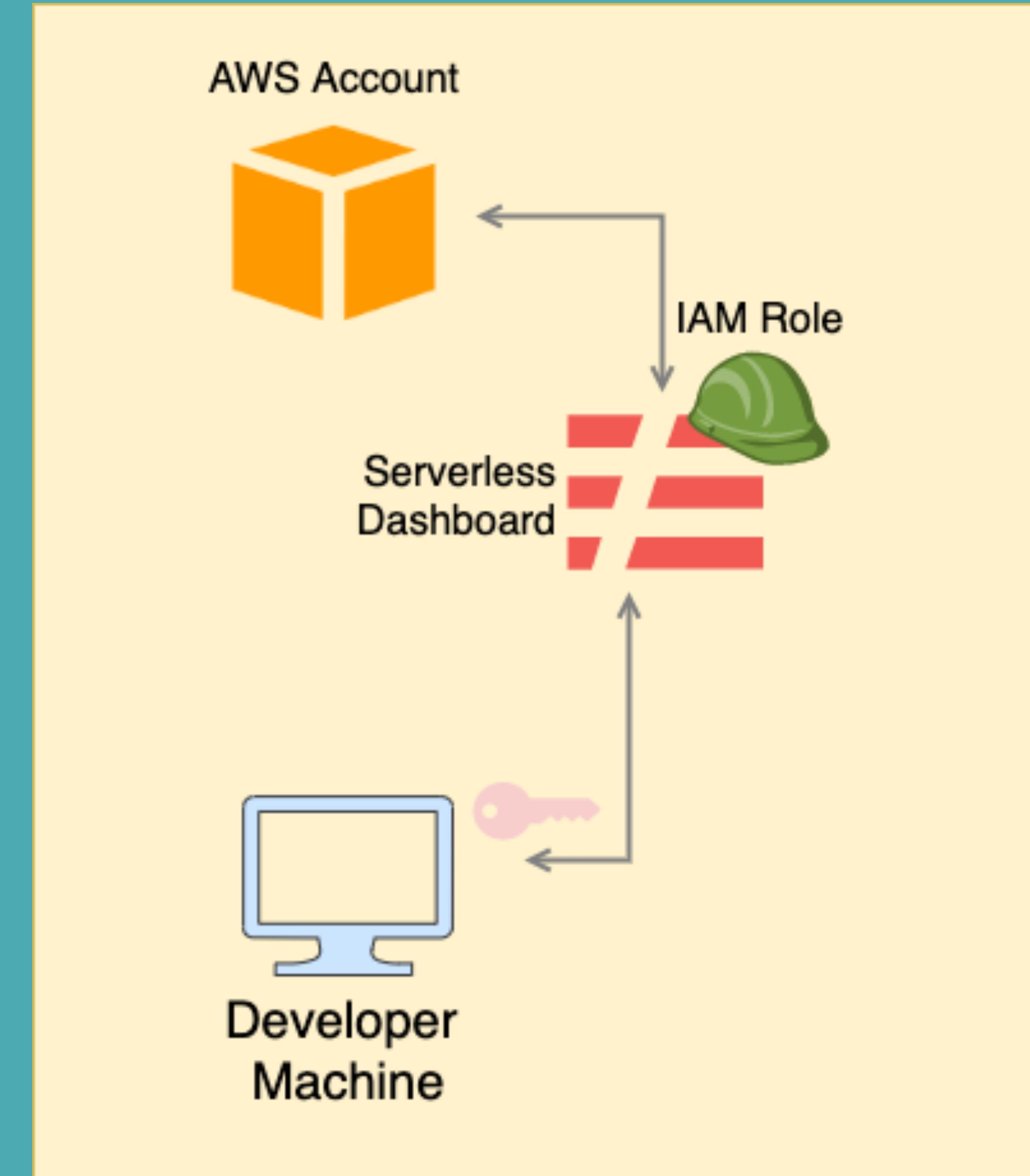


```
$ serverless deploy
```

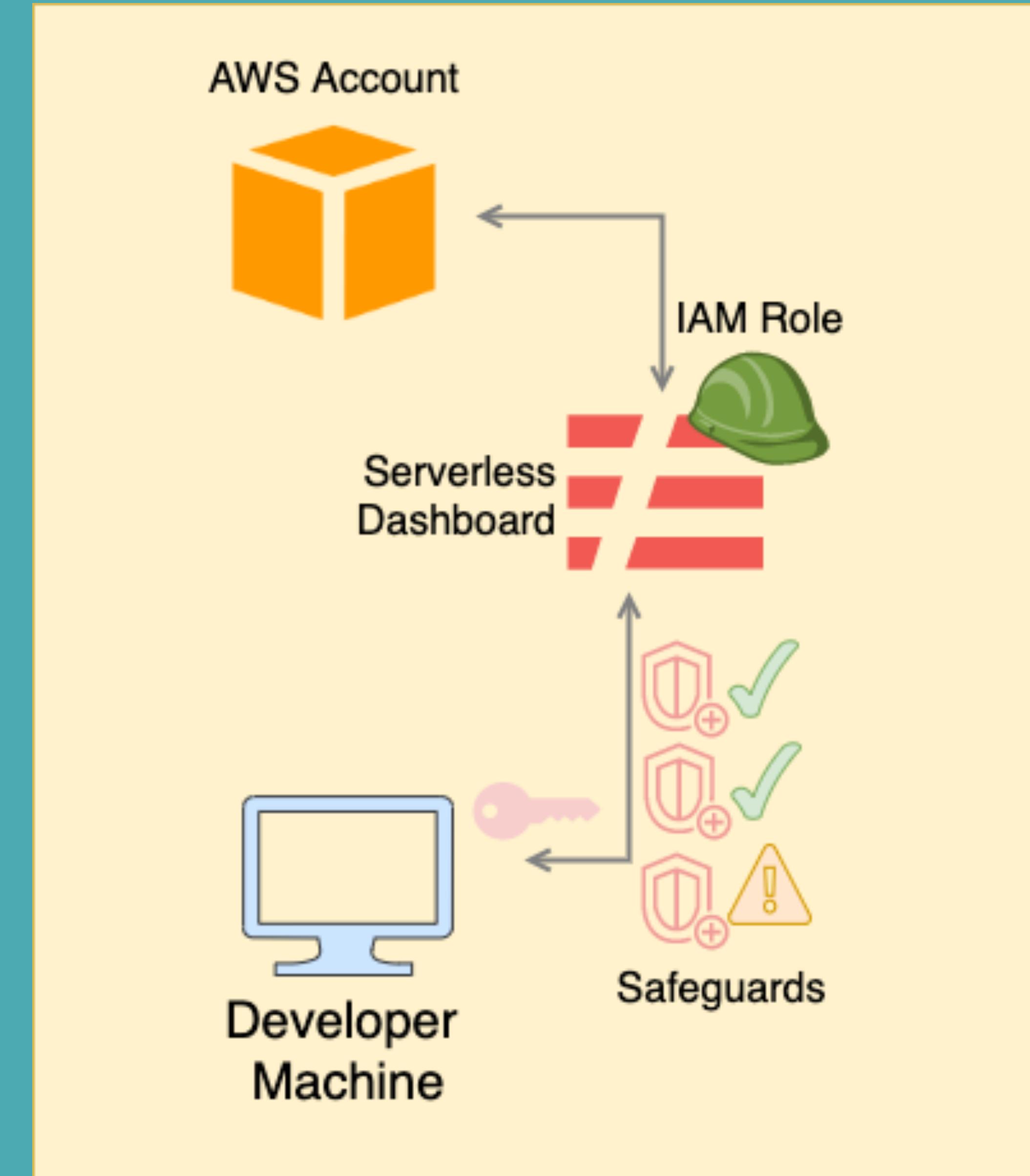
Deploying via the Serverless Dashboard



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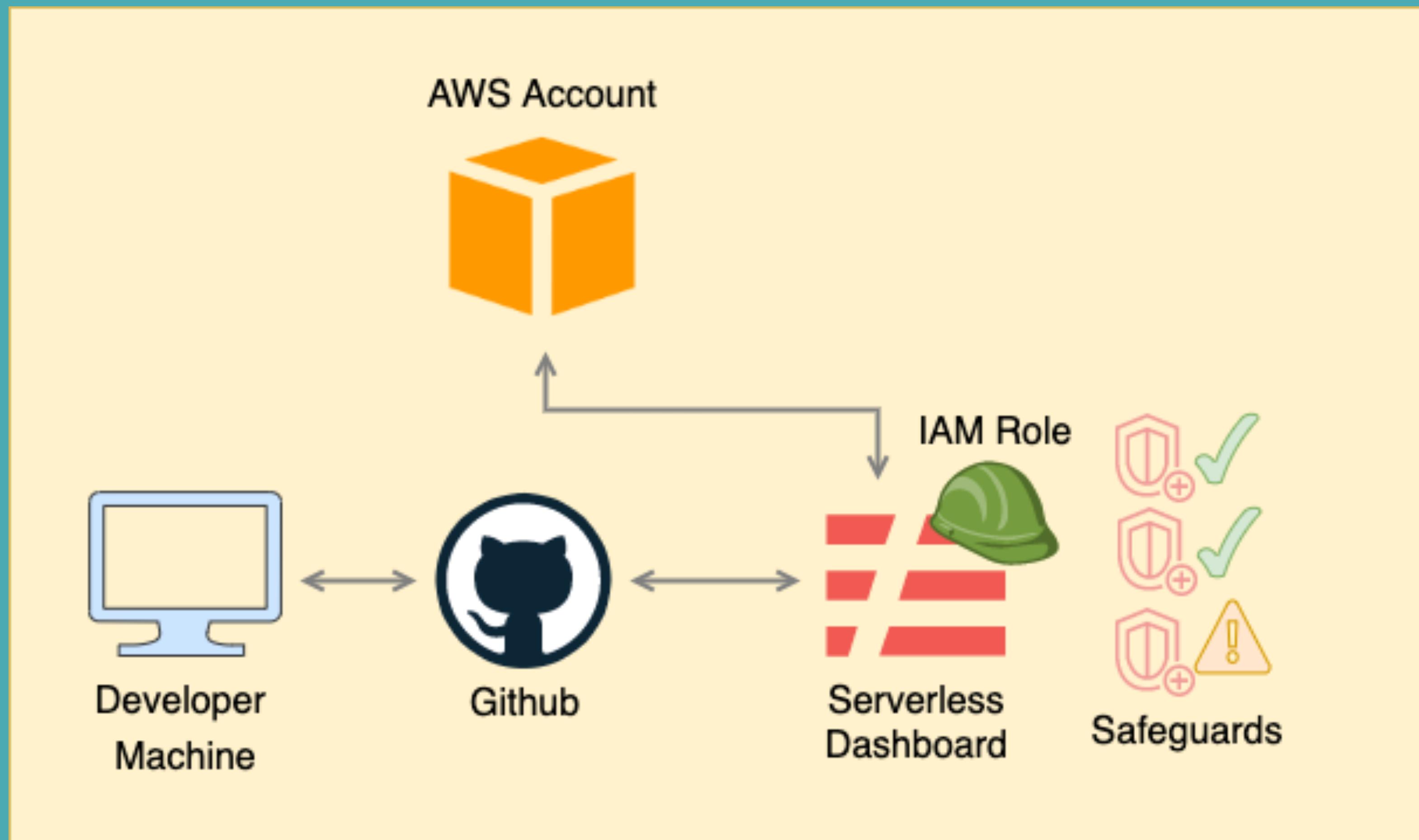


Deploying via the Serverless Dashboard



```
$ serverless deploy
```

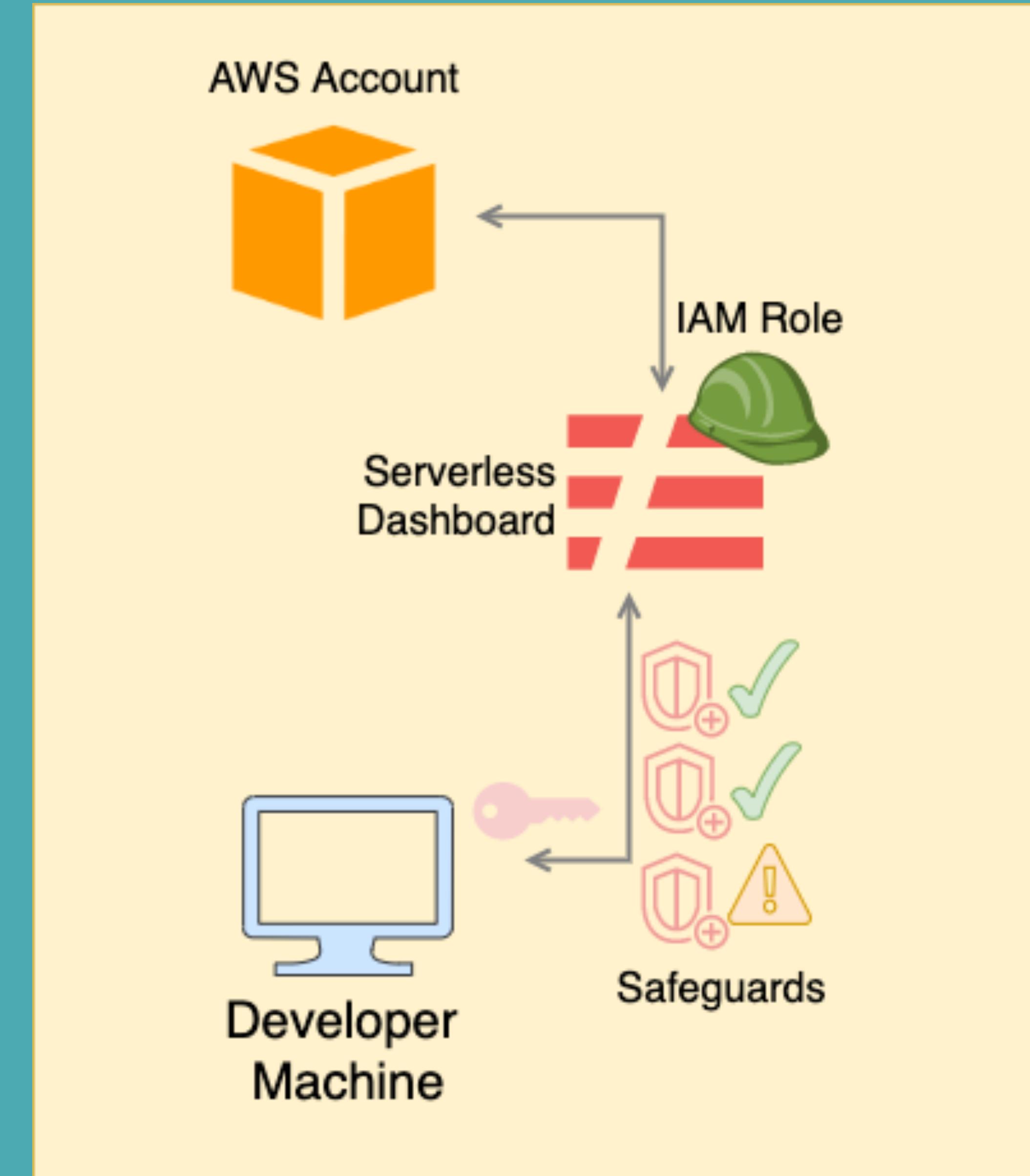
Deploying with Serverless CI/CD



What are we doing?

DEMO TIME!

1. Review app/org values
2. Create/add an IAM role
3. Create Profiles and Safeguards
4. Deploy a `dev` and `prod` service
5. Add API Endpoints to our frontend



Just in case....

The demo went great

Why did I do a live
demo?

The screenshot shows the 'AWS credential access role' configuration screen in the Serverless Framework dashboard. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for 'apps', 'deployments', 'profiles', 'team', 'docs', 'upgrade plan', and a user 'fernandosdemos'. Below the navigation is a search bar with the placeholder 'profile name'. Underneath the search bar are three tabs: 'AWS credential access role' (which is selected), 'safeguard policies', and 'parameters'. The 'AWS credential access role' tab contains two options: 'none' and 'shared AWS account'. The 'none' option is described as using AWS credentials in the CLI environment. The 'shared AWS account' option is selected, and its description is 'Use an organization AWS account to deploy'. A text input field below this contains the ARN 'arn:aws:iam::0987654321:role/mycompany-orgunit'. To the right of this input field are two circular icons: one with a question mark and another with a speech bubble.

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM 'Create role' wizard, Step 1: Select type of trusted entity. The 'Another AWS account' option is selected. The wizard consists of four steps, with step 1 highlighted.

Create role

Select type of trusted entity

1 2 3 4

AWS service
EC2, Lambda and others

Another AWS account
Belonging to you or 3rd party

Web identity
Cognito or any OpenID provider

SAML 2.0 federation
Your corporate directory

Allows entities in other accounts to perform actions in this account. [Learn more](#)

Specify accounts that can use this role

Account ID* 802587217904 ⓘ

Options Require external ID (Best practice when a third party will assume this role)

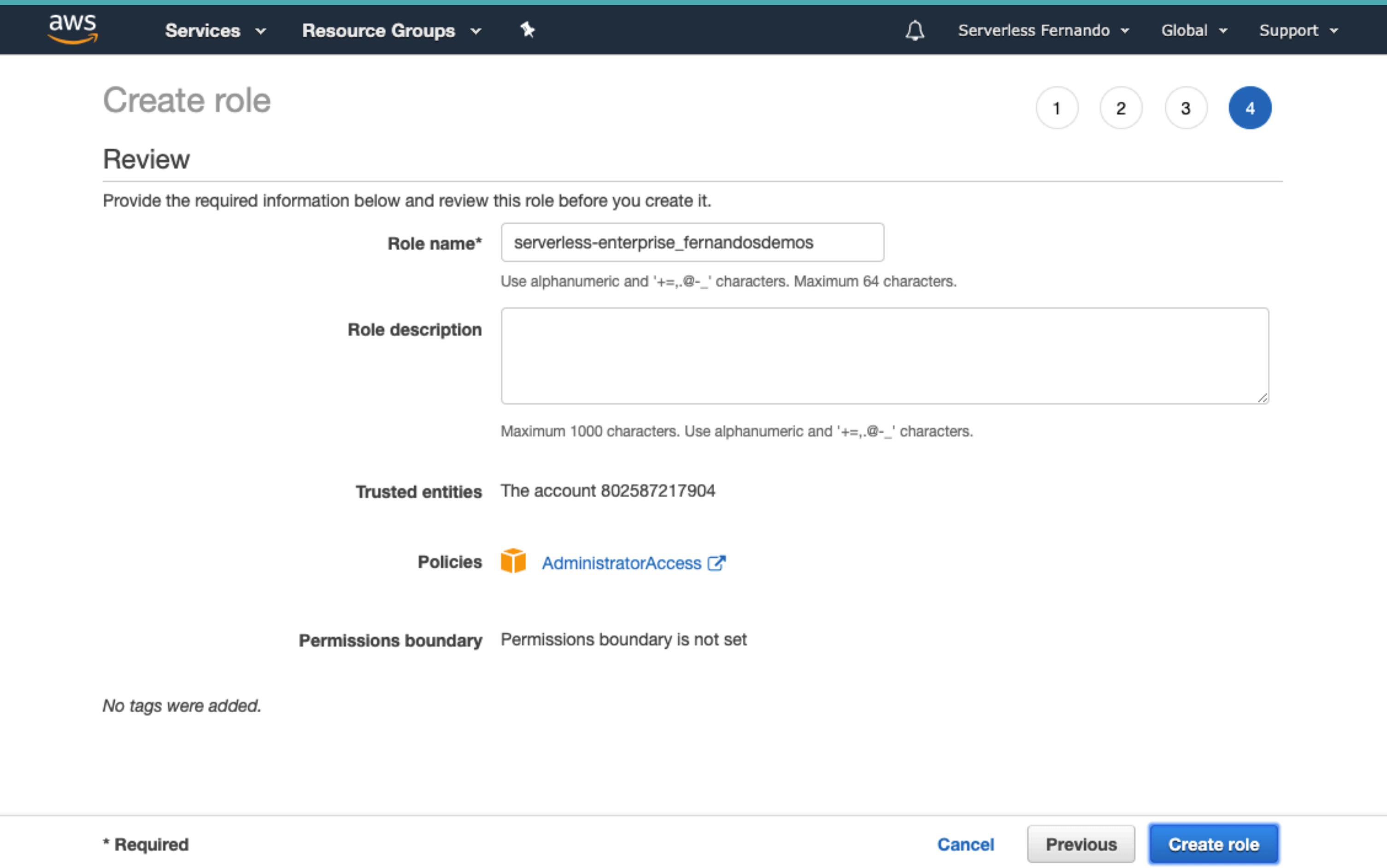
You can increase the security of your role by requiring an optional external identifier, which prevents "confused deputy" attacks. This is recommended if you do not own or have administrative access to the account that can assume this role. The external ID can include any characters that you choose. To assume this role, users must be in the trusted account and provide this exact external ID. [Learn more](#)

External ID

ServerlessEnterprise-y6PR2*

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM 'Create role' wizard, step 2: Attach permissions policies. The title 'Create role' is at the top left, and the step number '2' is highlighted in a blue circle. Below the title, there's a section titled 'Attach permissions policies' with a dropdown arrow. A note says 'Choose one or more policies to attach to your new role.' A 'Create policy' button is available. The main area is a table titled 'Showing 631 results' with columns 'Policy name' and 'Used as'. The 'AdministratorAccess' policy is selected (indicated by a checked checkbox) and highlighted in blue. Other policies listed include 'AccessAnalyzerServiceRolePolicy', 'AlexaForBusinessDeviceSetup', 'AlexaForBusinessFullAccess', 'AlexaForBusinessGatewayExecution', 'AlexaForBusinessNetworkProfileServicePolicy', 'AlexaForBusinessPolyDelegatedAccessPolicy', and 'AlexaForBusinessReadOnlyAccess', all of which have 'None' listed under 'Used as'. At the bottom, there's a 'Set permissions boundary' section and a footer with buttons for 'Cancel', 'Previous', and 'Next: Tags'.

Policy name	Used as
<input type="checkbox"/> AccessAnalyzerServiceRolePolicy	None
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AdministratorAccess	Permissions policy (8)
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessDeviceSetup	None
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessFullAccess	None
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessGatewayExecution	None
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessNetworkProfileServicePolicy	None
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessPolyDelegatedAccessPolicy	None
<input type="checkbox"/> AlexaForBusinessReadOnlyAccess	None



The screenshot shows the 'Create role' review step in the AWS IAM console. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, 'Services' dropdown, 'Resource Groups' dropdown, a notification bell, and account information ('Serverless Fernando', 'Global', 'Support'). Below the navigation, a progress bar indicates step 4 of 4.

Create role

Review

Provide the required information below and review this role before you create it.

Role name* serverless-enterprise_fernandosdemos

Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@-_ ' characters. Maximum 64 characters.

Role description

Maximum 1000 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+,-,@-_ ' characters.

Trusted entities The account 802587217904

Policies  AdministratorAccess 

Permissions boundary Permissions boundary is not set

No tags were added.

* Required

Cancel Previous Create role

The screenshot shows the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) service interface. The left sidebar is titled "Identity and Access Management (IAM)" and includes links for Dashboard, Access management (Groups, Users, Roles), Access reports (Access analyzer, Archive rules, Analyzer details), Credential report, Organization activity, and Service control policies (SCPs). A search bar at the bottom of the sidebar is labeled "Search IAM". The main content area is titled "Summary" for the role "serverless-enterprise_fernandosdemos". It displays the following details:

- Role ARN:** arn:aws:iam::757370802528:role/serverless-enterprise_fernandosdemos
- Role description:** Edit
- Instance Profile ARNs:** [Edit](#)
- Path:** /
- Creation time:** 2020-01-30 13:14 PST
- Last activity:** Not accessed in the tracking period
- Maximum CLI/API session duration:** 1 hour [Edit](#)
- Give this link to users who can switch roles in the console:** https://signin.aws.amazon.com/switchrole?roleName=serverless-enterprise_fernandosdemos&account=757370802528

Below the summary, there are tabs for Permissions, Trust relationships, Tags, Access Advisor, and Revoke sessions. The Permissions tab is selected, showing a section for "Permissions policies (1 policy applied)". It includes a "Attach policies" button, an "Add inline policy" button, and a table with one row:

Policy name	Policy type
AdministratorAccess	AWS managed policy

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profiles

name
prod

AWS credential access role safeguard policies parameters

none
Use AWS credentials in your CLI environment to deploy.

shared AWS account
Use an organization AWS account to deploy.
`arn:aws:iam::757370802528:role/serverless-enterprise_fernandosdemos`

Log into the AWS Management Console.
Open the [Create a role wizard](#).
Add a role with AdministratorAccess for Serverless Framework Dashboard (Account 802587217904).
Follow the wizard to the end. Copy the role ARN into the field above.



```
$ serverless deploy --stage prod
```

```
→ serverless-devweek2020 git:(master) serverless deploy --stage prod
Serverless: Packaging service...
Serverless: Excluding development dependencies...
Serverless: Installing dependencies for custom CloudFormation resources...
Serverless: Safeguards Processing...
Serverless: Safeguards Results:
```

Summary -----

```
passed - no-secret-env-vars
passed - allowed-runtimes
passed - framework-version
warned - require-cfn-role
warned - no-unsafe-wildcard-iam-permissions
passed - allowed-stages
passed - allowed-regions
```

Details -----

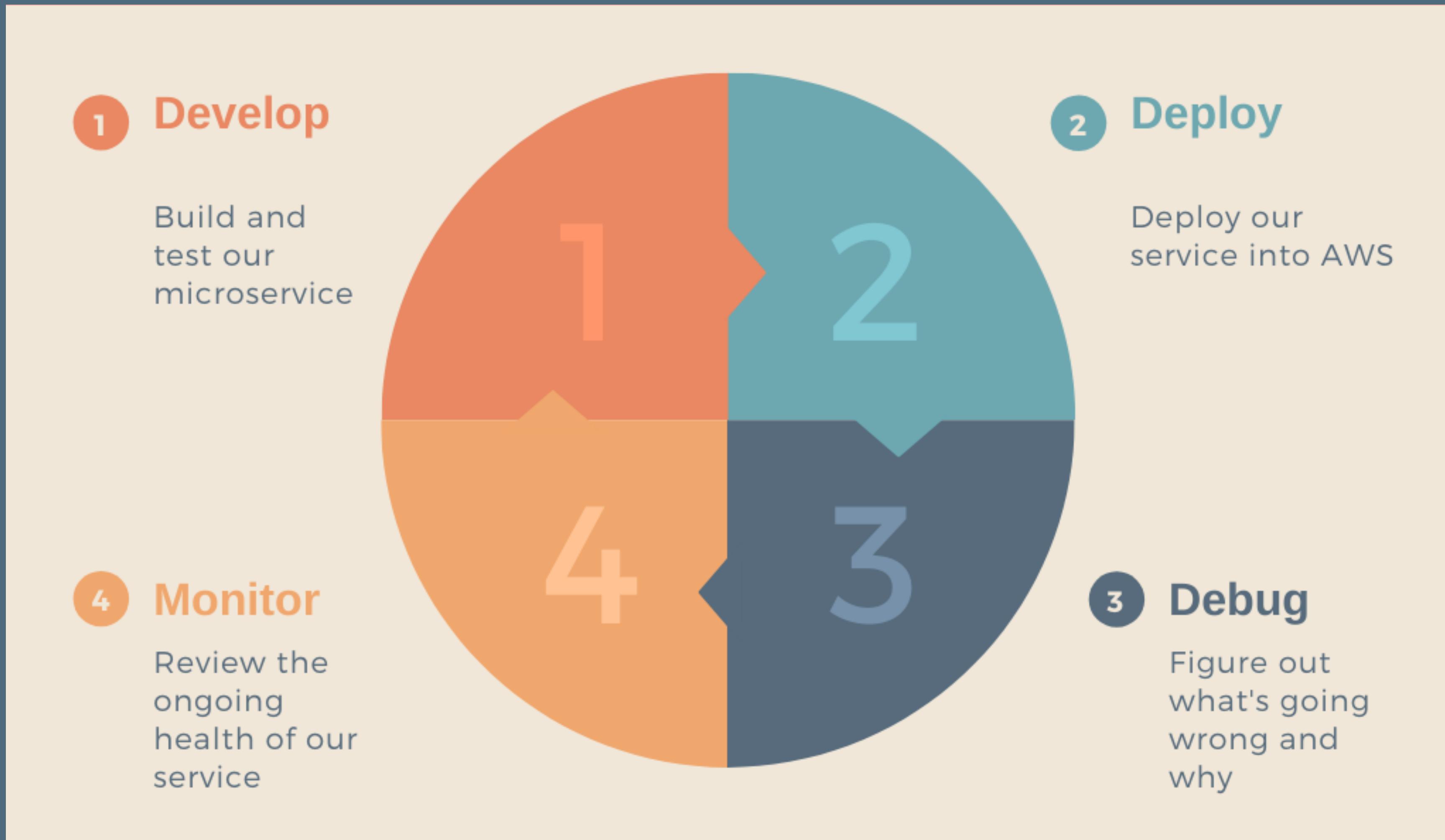
- 1) Warned - no cfnRole set
details: <http://slss.io/sg-require-cfn-role>
Require the cfnRole option, which specifies a particular role for CloudFormation to assume while deploying.

- 2) Warned - iamRoleStatement granting Resource='*'. Wildcard resources in iamRoleStatements are not permitted.
details: <http://slss.io/sg-no-wild-iam-role>

```
Serverless: Stack update finished...
Service Information
service: serverlessjams
stage: prod
region: us-east-1
stack: serverlessjams-prod
resources: 37
api keys:
  None
endpoints:
  POST - https://3vejkvhxa.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/prod/send-code
  POST - https://3vejkvhxa.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/prod/song/vote
  GET - https://3vejkvhxa.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/prod/votes
functions:
  generateCode: serverlessjams-prod-generateCode
  vote: serverlessjams-prod-vote
  getVotes: serverlessjams-prod-getVotes
layers:
  None
Serverless: Publishing service to the Serverless Dashboard...
Serverless: Successfully published your service to the Serverless Dashboard: https://dashboard.serverless.com/tenants/devweek2020/applications/sls-jams/services/serverlessjams/stage/prod/region/us-east-1
```

```
JS app.js ●  
frontend > JS app.js > [o] endpoint_url_root  
9  
10 | var endpoint_url_root = "https://3vejkvhxa.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/prod"  
11 | var vote_endpoint = endpoint_url_root + "/song/vote"  
12 | var get_votes_endpoint = endpoint_url_root + "/votes"  
13 | var generate_code_endpoint = endpoint_url_root + "/send-code"
```

Debug



Running Our Frontend



```
→ serverless-devweek2020 $ cd frontend  
→ frontend $ python3 -m http.server
```

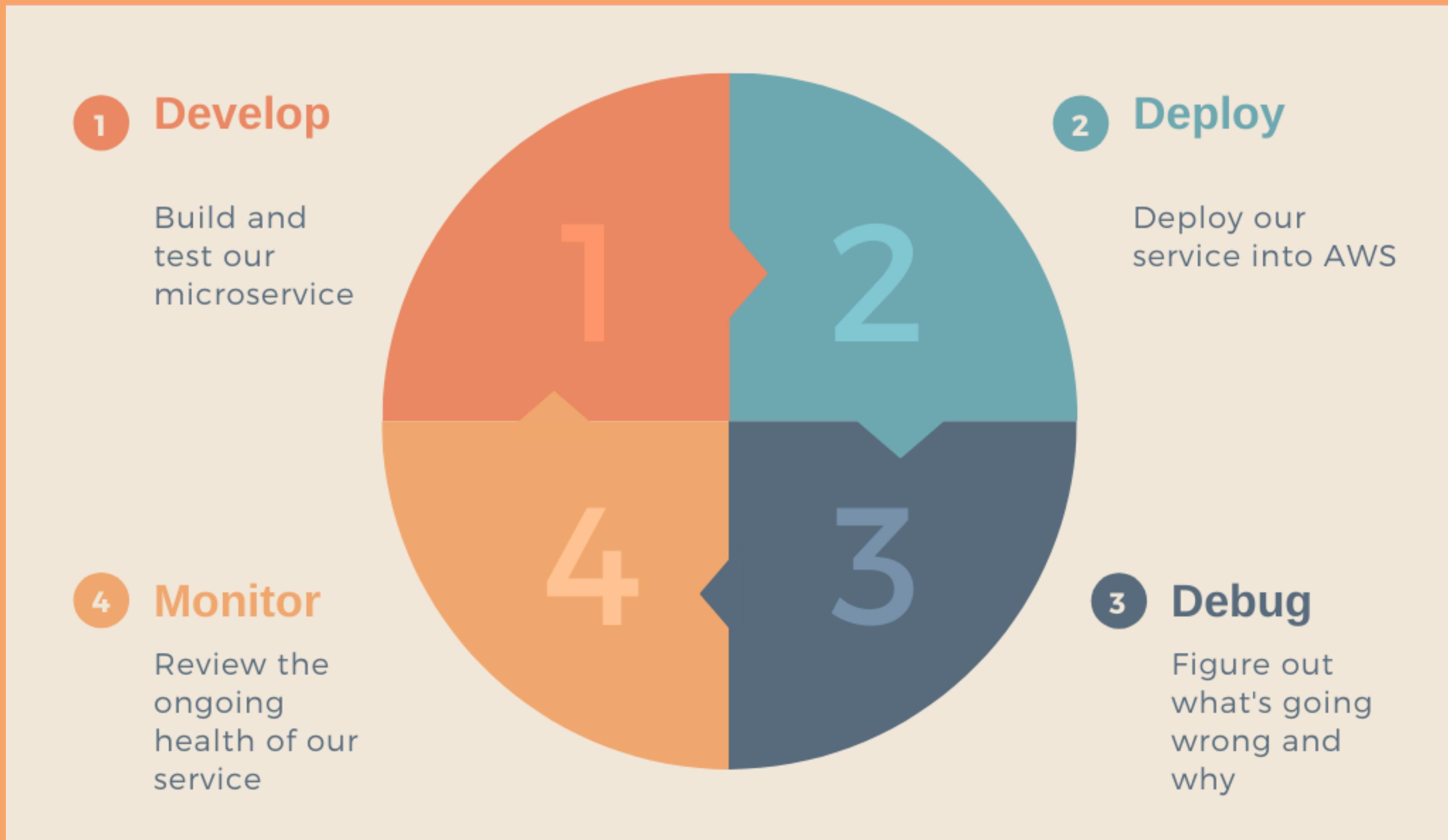
DEMO TIME!



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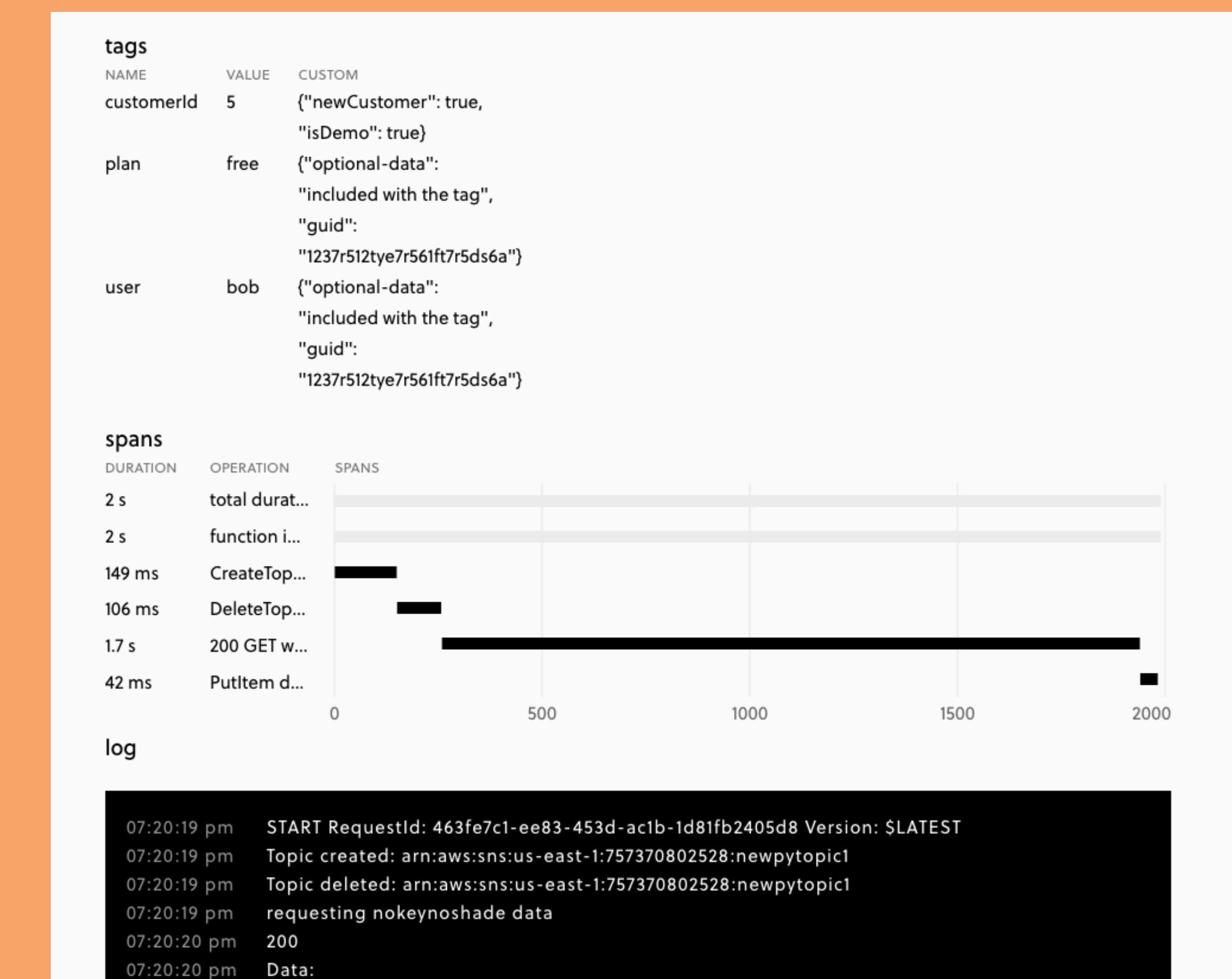
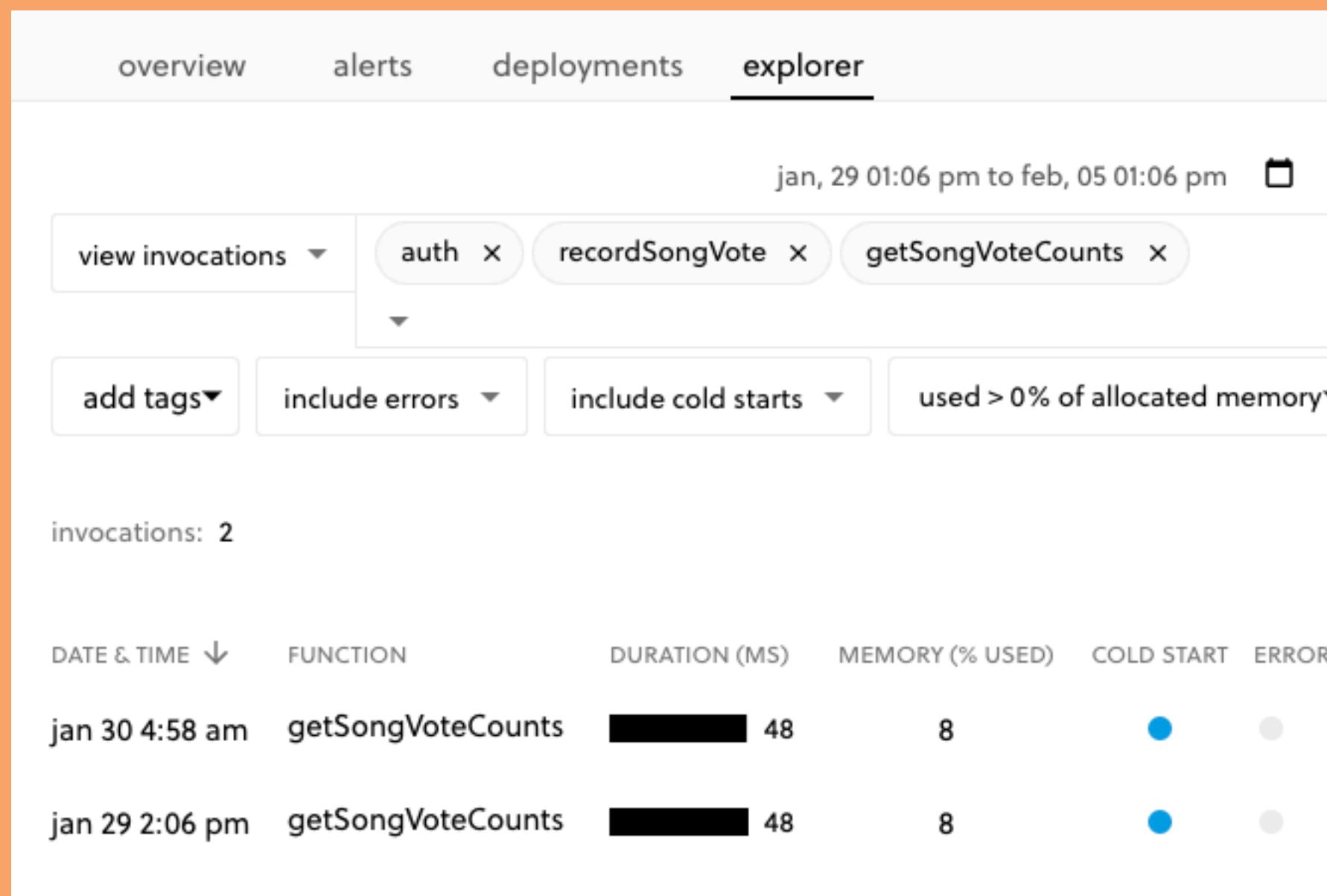
1. Run our frontend
2. Try to vote
3. Try to vote again!

Monitoring

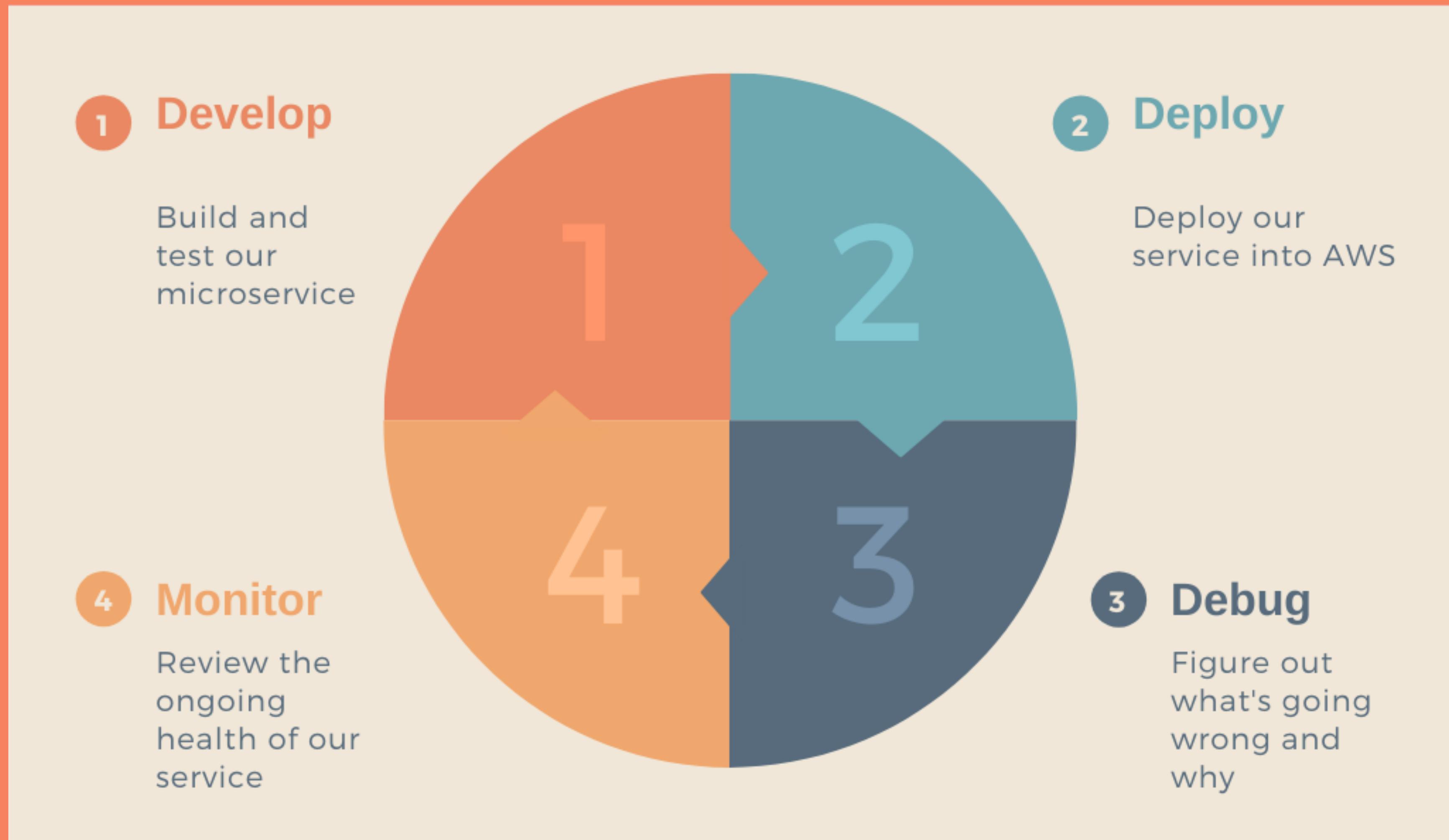


DEMO TIME!

1. Explore function logs
 2. Review specific invocations



Develop



New Requirements:

Users may vote every five minutes

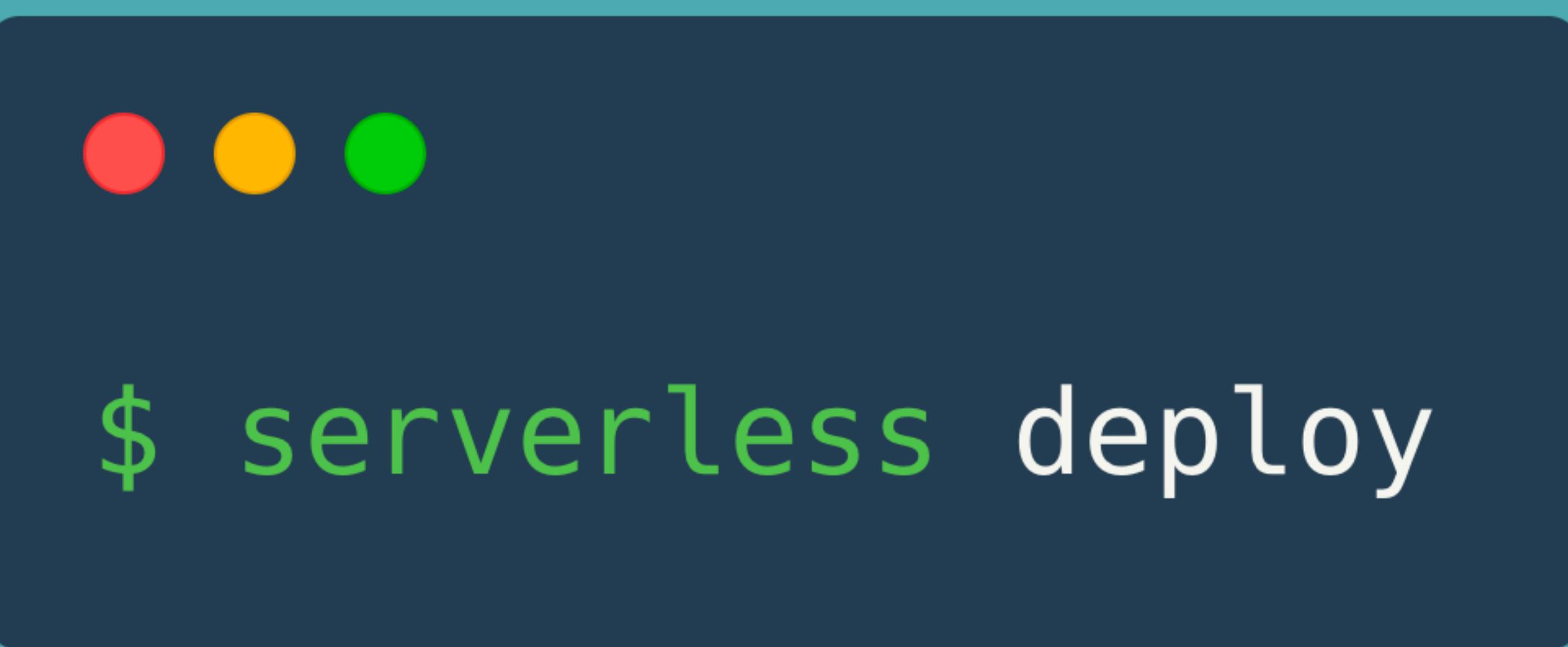
Let's “Build” that



```
$ git checkout development
```

DEMO TIME!

Deploy to `dev`



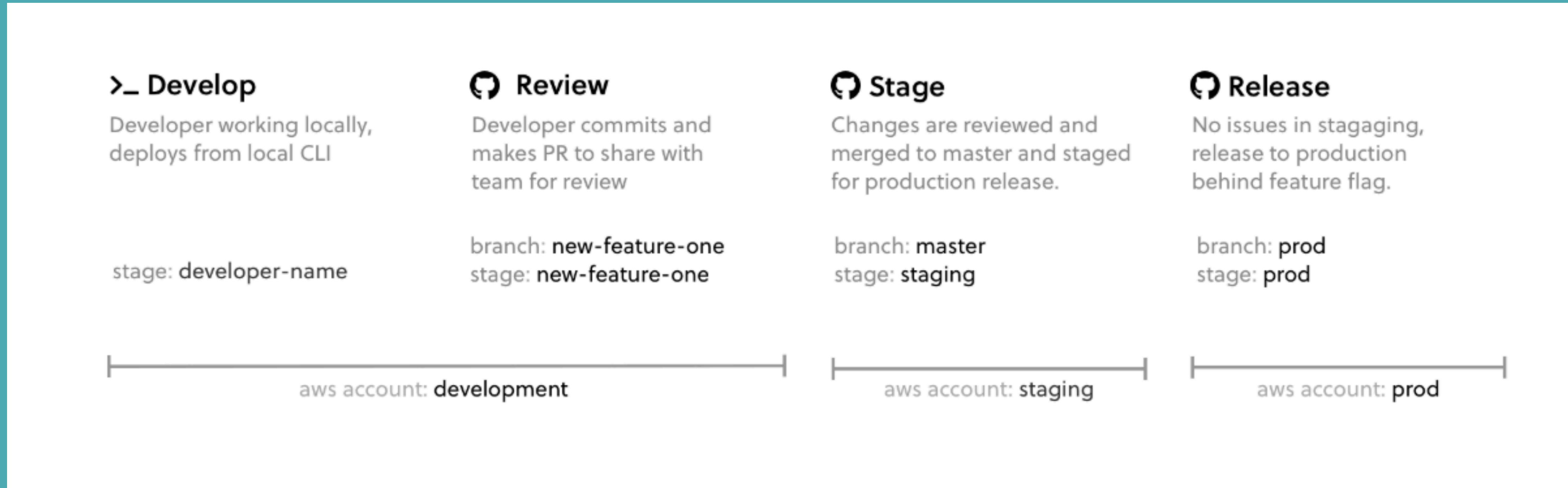
DEMO TIME!

How would we get this to prod?



```
$ serverless deploy --stage prod
```

Reality is more complicated...



<https://serverless.com/learn/guides/cicd/>

BONUS DEMO TIME?



```
$ npm install serverless-finch
```

Deploying Our Frontend

We eat our own dog food

dashboard

services app settings ci/cd settings

ALL SERVICES

- insights
- login-broker
- queries-service

services

add service

insights

Automatic deployments are disabled. [enable](#)

✓ dev	us-east-1	successful deployment by alexdebie	3 hours ago
✓ prod	us-east-1	successful deployment by alexdebie	20 hours ago

login-broker

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✓ dev	us-east-1	successful deployment by alexdebie	3 hours ago
✓ prod	us-east-1	successful deployment by alexdebie	6 days ago



Thank you!

Office Hours:
9am tomorrow - Room 212

Unofficial Office Hours:
Right now
By appointment - (DM me)



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