STORAGE GATEWAY

AWS Storage Gateway is a hybrid cloud storage service that connects on-premises environments with cloud storage, seamlessly integrating your existing applications and workflows with AWS cloud services. Here are the key components and functionalities of AWS Storage Gateway:

Key Components:

1. Gateway Types:

- **File Gateway**: Presents a file interface to applications, stored as objects in Amazon S3 or Amazon S3 Glacier. It supports Network File System (NFS) and Server Message Block (SMB) protocols.

- Volume Gateway:

- **Stored Volumes:** Presents block storage volumes as iSCSI devices that are backed by Amazon S3. Data is stored locally and asynchronously backed up to S3.
- **Cached Volumes**: Uses S3 as the primary data storage while retaining frequently accessed data locally. Only data that is infrequently accessed is stored in S3.
- **Tape Gateway**: Presents a virtual tape library (VTL) interface using Amazon S3 Glacier and Glacier Deep Archive for backup and archival storage.

2. Integration:

- AWS Management Console: Manages and monitors Storage Gateway resources.
- AWS CLI/SDKs: Allows programmatic access to manage Storage Gateway resources.
- **CloudWatch:** Provides monitoring and logging capabilities for your gateways.

3. Deployment:

- On-Premises: Deployed as a virtual machine (VM) or hardware appliance within your data center.
- AWS Cloud: Can be used to extend on-premises applications to AWS cloud services.

4. Use Cases:

- Hybrid Cloud: Integrates on-premises environments with AWS cloud storage.
- **Backup and Archive:** Provides scalable and cost-effective backup and archive solutions using AWS S3 and Glacier.
- Disaster Recovery: Enables disaster recovery by replicating on-premises data to AWS.
- **Migration:** Facilitates cloud migration by seamlessly connecting existing applications to AWS cloud storage.

Benefits:

- **Seamless Integration**: Allows applications to seamlessly use AWS storage services without needing to modify existing applications.
- **Scalable and Cost-Effective:** Scales with your storage needs and leverages the cost-effectiveness of AWS cloud storage services like S3 and Glacier.
- **Data Security and Durability:** Ensures data security and durability by leveraging AWS' robust infrastructure and security features.

AWS Storage Gateway simplifies the process of extending your on-premises storage into the cloud while maintaining low-latency access to data and integrating with your existing infrastructure and applications.