



Attachment authorization with AWS Lambda@Edge

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PROBLEM

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MOTIVATION



Development & Design #1342 File uploading and access



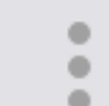
Jan V. commented on the task

24 days ago

Ovo sam sanjao noćas. Problem koji mi trenutno imamo je što su fileovi koje mi stavljamo na S3 bucket "javni" odnosno dostupni svima, odnosno nemamo nikakav autorizacijski level. Istovremeno filepath (koji paperclip ima kao default) je vrlo jednostavan, ono:

```
/users/avatars/#{id-partition}/thumb/file.jpg
```

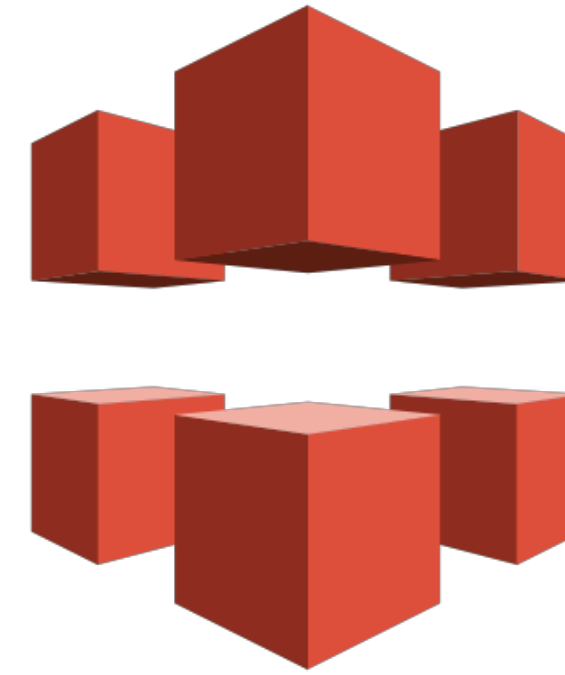
što znači da je teoretski mogu tu nabadati i gledati fajlove od drugih ljudi, sa privatnih taskova, iz drugih organizacija itd..



CURRENT STATE



APP

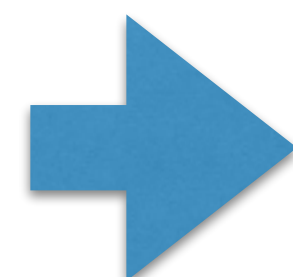


S3

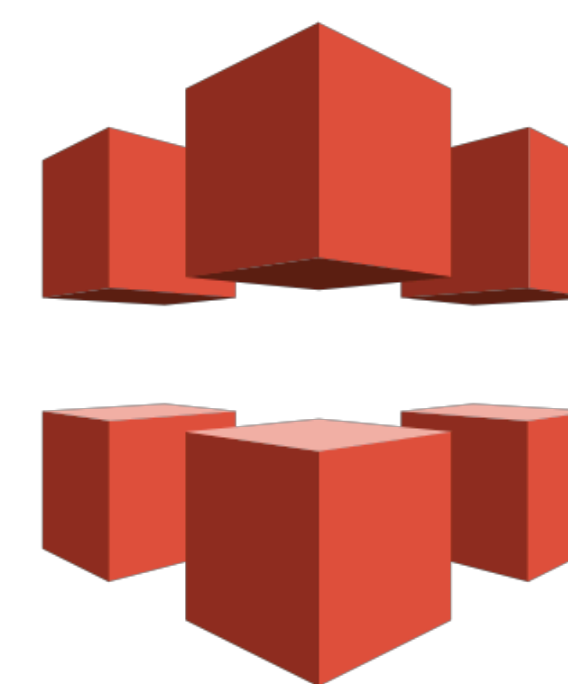
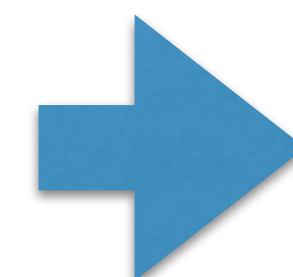
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/infinum.productive.staging/attachments/files/000/263/443/original/attachment.png>



APP



CLOUDFRONT



S3

<https://files.productive.io/attachments/files/000/263/443/original/attachment.png>

GOALS

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- need to secure our attachments from unauthorised access
- users share attachment links, but attachments should be accessible only to Productive users
- user account is deactivated, it is no longer possible for him to see attachment
- we want to authorise only /attachments, we don't need to authorise other assets because of performance
- unauthenticated access should redirect to login page which redirects back to requested resource after logging in

SOLUTION

IDEAS

INITIAL IDEAS

Randomize urls?

**New method on attachments
controller?**

**New microservice for
attachments?**



AWS LAMBDA



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AWS Lambda is a compute service that lets you run code without provisioning or managing servers. AWS Lambda executes your code only when needed and scales automatically, from a few requests per day to thousands per second.

PROS

- no server management
- auto-scaling
- pay only what you use
- integration with other Amazon services

CONS

- not all languages are supported
- Lambda environment limitations
- does not support streams

Memory allocation	128 MB to 3008 MB
Timeout	15 minutes
/tmp storage	512 MB
Execution processes/threads	1024

HELLO FROM LAMBDA

 **index.js**

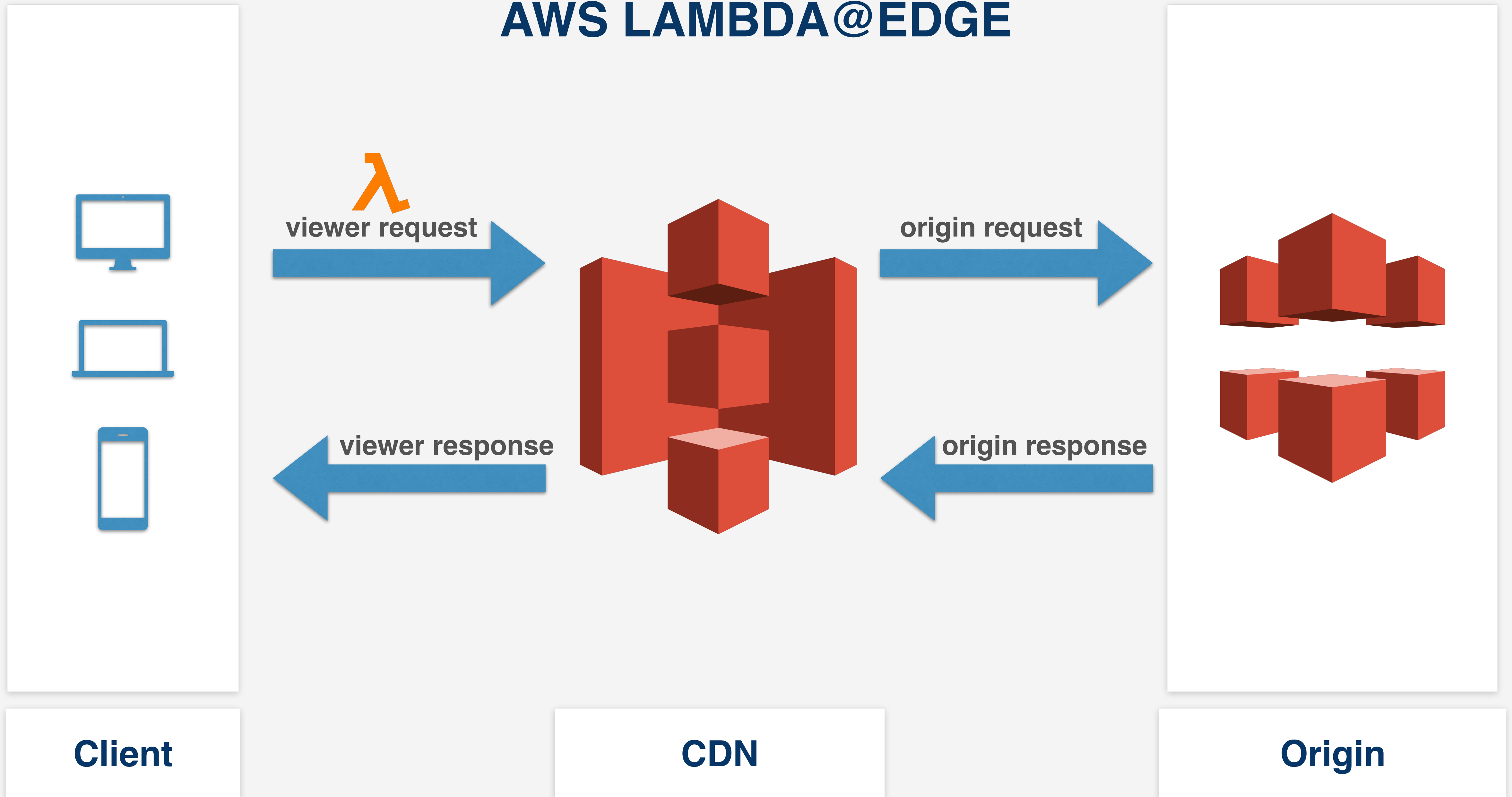
```
1  exports.handler = function(event, context, callback) {  
2      // TODO implement  
3      const response = {  
4          statusCode: 200,  
5          body: JSON.stringify('Hello from Lambda!'),  
6      };  
7      callback(null, response)  
8  };
```



callback(Error error, Object result);

BACK TO OUR SOLUTION

AWS LAMBDA@EDGE



LAMBDA TRIGGERS

▼ Designer

API Gateway

AWS IoT

Alexa Skills Kit

Alexa Smart Home

CloudFront

CloudWatch Events

CloudWatch Logs

CodeCommit

Cognito Sync Trigger


DynamoDB

Kinesis

S3

SNS

SQS



helloworld

Add triggers from the list on the left

Amazon CloudWatch

Amazon CloudWatch Logs

Amazon EC2

Auto Scaling

Elastic Load Balancing V2

Identity And Access Management

Resources that the function's role has access to appear here

CLOUDFRONT TRIGGER SETUP

Configure triggers

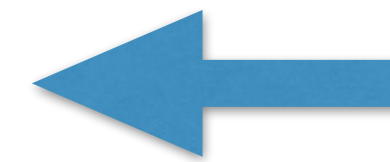
The following restrictions and limits apply to Lambda@Edge functions: Runtimes are limited to Node.js 6.10 and Node.js 8.10; Environment variables, the Dead Letter Queue (DLQ), and Amazon VPCs cannot be used. [Learn more](#) about Lambda@Edge.

Configure CloudFront trigger

Distribution

The CloudFront distribution that will send events to your Lambda function.

E2Y86WPQPVDZRQ ▼



Cache behavior

Choose the cache behavior you would like this Lambda function to be associated with.

attachments/* ▼

CloudFront event

Choose one CloudFront event to listen for.

Viewer request ▼

☐ Include body

Select "Include body" if you want to read the request body for viewer request or origin request events. [Learn more](#).

Confirm deploy to Lambda@Edge

☒ I acknowledge that this version of the function will be associated with the above trigger and replicated across all available AWS regions.

Lambda will add the necessary permissions for Amazon CloudFront to invoke your Lambda function from this trigger. [Learn more](#) about the Lambda permissions model.

Cancel

Add

▼ **Designer**

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attachment-auth



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EVENT

```
1 {  
2   "Records": [  
3     {  
4       "cf": {  
5         "config": {  
6           "distributionDomainName": "d123.cloudfront.net",  
7           "distributionId": "EDFDVBD6EXAMPLE",  
8           "eventType": "viewer-request"  
9         },  
10        "request": {  
11          "body": {  
12            "action": "read-only"  
13          },  
14          "queryString": "token=abc",  
15          "uri": "/attachments/files/000/000/693/original/teaser.png",  
16          "method": "GET",  
17          "headers": {  
18            "host": [  
19              {  
20                "key": "Host",  
21                "value": "files.productive.io"  
22              }  
23            ],  
24            "cookie": [  
25              {  
26                "key": "Cookies",  
27                "value": "productive-production={ 'authenticated': { 'authenticator'  
28                  : 'authenticator:application', 'userId': 447, 'token': 'abc' } } }"  
29              ],  
30            "user-agent": [  
31              {  
32                "key": "User-Agent",  
33                "value": "curl/7.51.0"  
34              }  
35            ]  
36          }  
37        }  
38      }  
39    ]  
40  }
```

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonCloudFront/latest/DeveloperGuide/lambda-event-structure.html>

```
59 module.exports.handler = function(event, context, callback) {
60   const req = event.Records[0].cf.request;
61
62   console.log('Request: ' + req)
63
64   const token = getTokenFromCookie(req) || getTokenFromQueryParams(req);
65
66   if (!token) {
67     callback(null, createRedirectResponseHash(req));
68     return;
69   }
70
71   const resourceId = getResourceId(req)
72   if (!resourceId) {
73     callback(null, { status: '404' });
74     return;
75   }
76
77   const apiReqOptions = {
78     host: config.apiHost,
79     port: 443,
80     headers: {
81       'X-Auth-Token': token
82     },
83     path: `/api/v2/attachments/${resourceId}/authorize`,
84     method: 'GET'
85   };
86
```


ATTACHMENTS CONTROLLER

```
1  module Api
2    module V2
3      module Authenticated
4        # HACK: authenticated controller but behaves as tenanted
5        class AttachmentsController < Api::V2::TenantedController
6          include Extensions::Resourceful
7
8          # HACK: to load the attachment first
9          prepend_before_action :load_resource
10
11         def auth
12           head :ok
13         end
14       end
15     end
16   end
17 end
```

TESTING

UNIT TESTS

```
7 describe('Attachment-auth Lambda function tests', () => {
8   it('should proceed to origin when authorized', (done) => {
9     mock('https://api-staging.productive.io/')
10    .get('/api/v2/attachments/693/authorize')
11    .reply(200);
12
13    attachmentAuth.handler(events.normalEvent, null, function(err, response) {
14      expect(response).to.equal(events.normalEvent.Records[0].cf.request);
15      done();
16    });
17  });
18 });
```

Request: [object Object]

✓ should redirect to login page when API returns 401

Request: [object Object]

✓ should return 500 if API returns unknown status code

Request: [object Object]

✓ should proceed to origin with token in query params

8 passing (86ms)

→ lambdas git:(master) ■

CI / CD

USING AWS CLI

```
aws lambda update-function-code --function-name attachment_auth  
--zip-file fileb:///attachment_auth/index.zip
```

```
aws lambda publish-version --function-name attachment_auth
```

```
aws lambda update-alias --function-name attachment_auth  
--name STAGING --version {verzija}
```

OR EVEN BETTER...



serverless

OTHER POSSIBLE USECASES

OTHER USECASES:

- **processing uploaded s3 objects**
- **automated backups and every day tasks**
- **running jobs with CloudWatch Events**
- **log analysis**
- **serverless apps**
- **imagination is limit**

QUESTIONS?



Thank you!

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