

# CLOUD WATCH

Cloud Watch → A service which is watching & monitoring activities on AWS Cloud.  
- create resources such EC2 instance.  
- Upload objects in S3, etc.

>> It is a resource monitoring service.  
>> Cloud Watch acts like a 'gatekeeper' for an AWS account, because it helps us in understanding & implementing the monitoring, alerting, reporting & logging to keep the track of the activities which is happening in a particular AWS account.  
>> Cloud Watch as a service is used to monitor the other services that are running on AWS account.

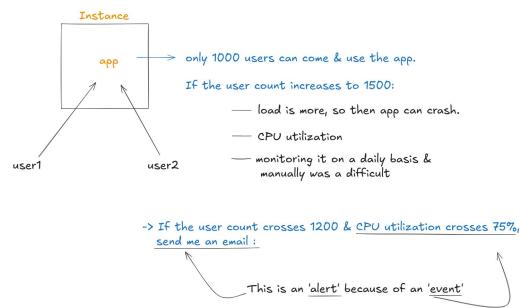
## Features of CloudWatch:

1. Monitoring: Cloudwatch helps us implementing monitoring to see how the resources are performing & also detect when something abnormal happens.  
2. Metrics: Metrics are the basis on which monitoring are done.  
→ Metrics provide us real-time metrics(performance data) which are updated regularly.  
→ CPU utilization should be < than 70% → 'Metric'

### 3. Alarms:

→ Alarms let's us take action automatically when a metric crosses a defined threshold.  
→ Metric & Alarms goes hand-in hand.  
→ Eg: If memory utilization of an EC2 instance > 80 % : send an email and create one more instance.

Metric ↓ Action (alarms)



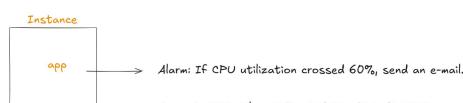
### 4. Logs:

→ Cloudwatch logs stores, monitors & analyzes the log files from different services like EC2, Lambda, S3, VPC, etc.

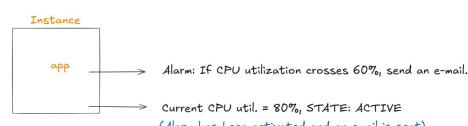
## ALARMS

>> It warns us when something crosses a limit.

i. all alarms: shows all the alarms that have been created.



ii. in alarms: shows only the alarms that are activated.



## Steps to set up an alarms & metrics

- Create an instance (m/t type).
- In new tab, Open CloudWatch.
- Select 'Alarms', & in that click on 'All alarms' and click on 'Create Alarms'.
- Under 'Metrics', click on 'Select Metrics'.
- Then browse for EC2 and click on it.
- Click on 'pre-instance metrics'.
- Go the EC2 tab, find the instance & copy the 'Instance-ID'.
- In Search bar in Cloudwatch tab, paste the instance ID to select the Instance.
- Select 'CPU utilization' and click on 'Select Metric'.
- In 'Specify metric & condition', under 'Condition', select threshold type as 'static' & define the threshold (<,>,<=,>=) with the value, and click on 'Next'.
- In 'Configure Actions', 1st 'Remove the notification'.
- Scroll down and select 'EC2 actions' and click on 'Add EC2 actions', to select to the action which will be done if threshold crosses & click on 'Next'.
- Give an alarm name and click on 'Next'.
- Finally, click on 'Create alarm'.
- Connect to instance and install this tool
  - sudo apt update
  - sudo apt install stress & run the cmd : stress --cpu 2 --timeout 120