

# Serverless

and **AWS** lambda



<https://www.egnyte.com/blog/2011/11/the-file-server-is-dead/>

No server is easier to manage than no server.

Werner Vogels, CTO, Amazon.com

## **BaaS**

Backend as a Service - rich client apps (think SPAa, Mobile Apps) that rely mostly or entirely on 3rd party applications / services in the cloud (2011 on)

## **FaaS - paradigm shift in cloud**

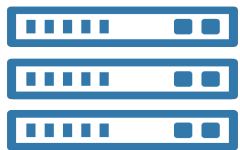
Function as a Service - functions that run in stateless compute containers that are event-triggered, short lived, and fully managed by a 3rd party (2014 on)

Serverless == FaaS

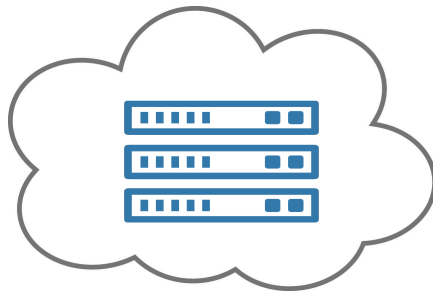


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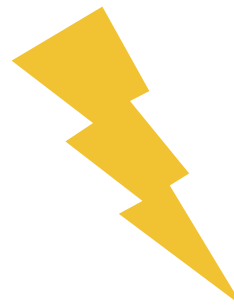
How did we get here?



Servers in  
data centers



Servers in  
Cloud, PaaS



Function as a Service  
(FaaS)

## PaaS

Wrong unit of abstractions: Deployed (Monolithic)  
Applications

## Serverless

Services and Functions are the platform abstractions and  
unit of deployment



# Why Serverless?

- Scalability
- Costs scale per request
- Push based, event driven pipelines
- Security - less time availability in one invocation
- Fault tolerance - independent functions, doesn't affect others
- No OS config or security patching

# Serverless (FaaS) Providers

AWS Lambda



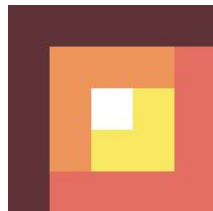
Google Cloud Platform



Azure Functions



Webtask



Iron.io



IBM OpenWhisk



[Full list here](#)

- Zimki - first "pay as you go" code execution platform, 2006
- Google App Engine (metered billing, no arbitrary code), 2008
- **AWS Lambda, introduced by Amazon in 2014**



AWS Lambda

# What is a lambda function?

- unit of work (your code)
  - responds to individual requests and events
  - stateless
  - scales based on requests and events
- (no risk of over or under provisioning)



# Use cases

APIs; GraphQL

Mobile Apps

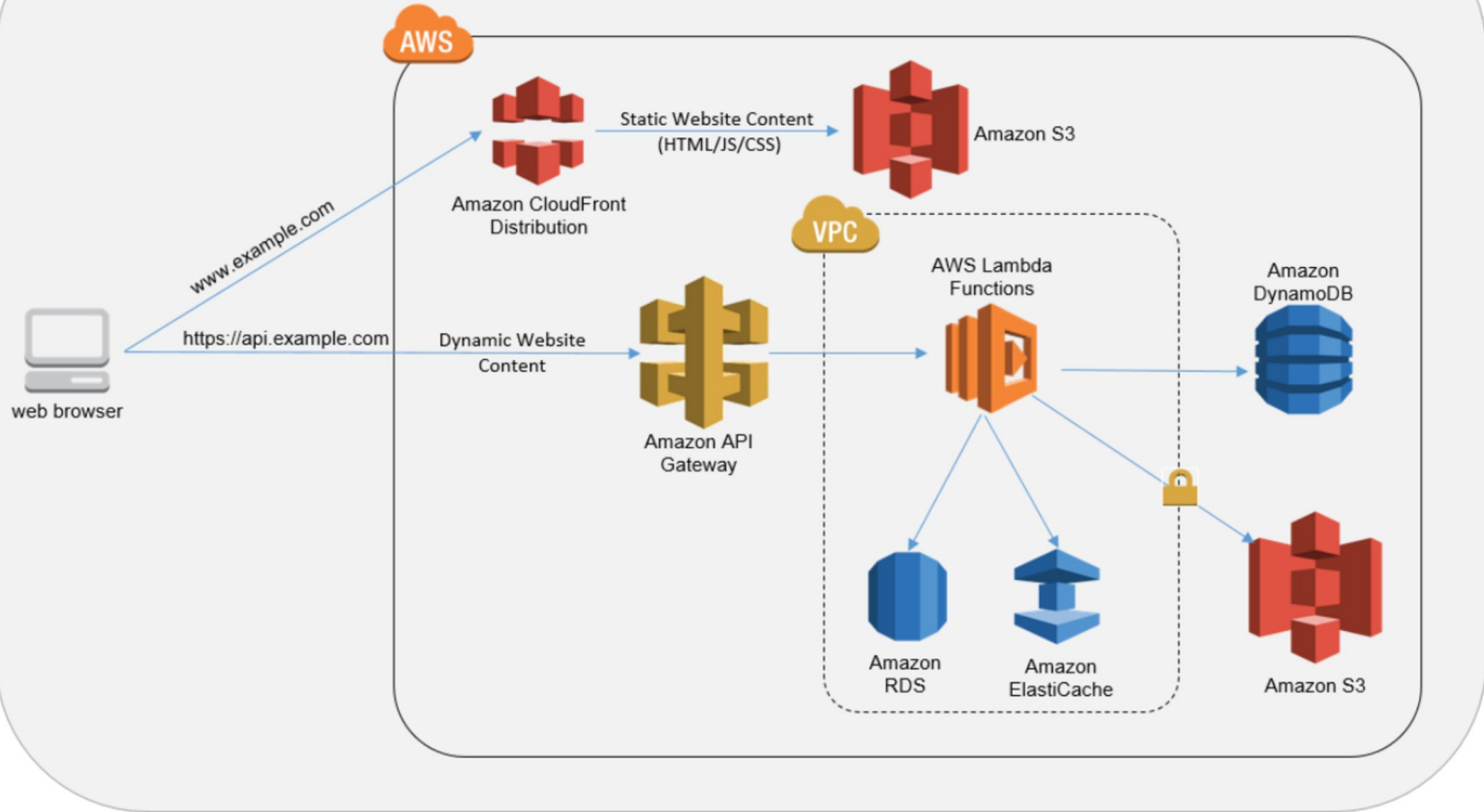
IoT

Data Analysis; perform actions upon data ingestion; avoids polling (~ Pub/Sub)

Operation tasks: alarms, scheduled jobs, scheduling snapshots; cleanup

Microservices (serverless ~ nanoservices)

## Amazon S3 Hosted Websites



# Always use lambdas?

- Limited to 5 minutes per run - not suitable for long running tasks
- Cold start (initialization phase in container)

Minimize the code outside of the function

Make package as small as possible

Remove unnecessary dependencies so the download from s3 happens asap

Schedule with CloudWatch to invoke function for warmth

```
'use strict';

const uuid = require('uuid');
const AWS = require('aws-sdk');

const dynamoDb = new AWS.DynamoDB.DocumentClient();

module.exports.create = (event, context, callback) => {
  const timestamp = new Date().getTime();
  const data = JSON.parse(event.body);
```

- High dependency on one service (S3) - don't put all your eggs in one bucket basket? Especially if you remember Feb 2017



Servers are dead, they just don't know it yet





Hacking time!

1. Setup & Hello World (together)
2. S3, IAM Roles, Endpoints (all you!)
3. Events (also you)

Final code available here <https://gitlab.com/luiza-salantiu/serverless-demo>

# 1. Setup & Hello World

- AWS Lambda

Hosting and code execution in the cloud




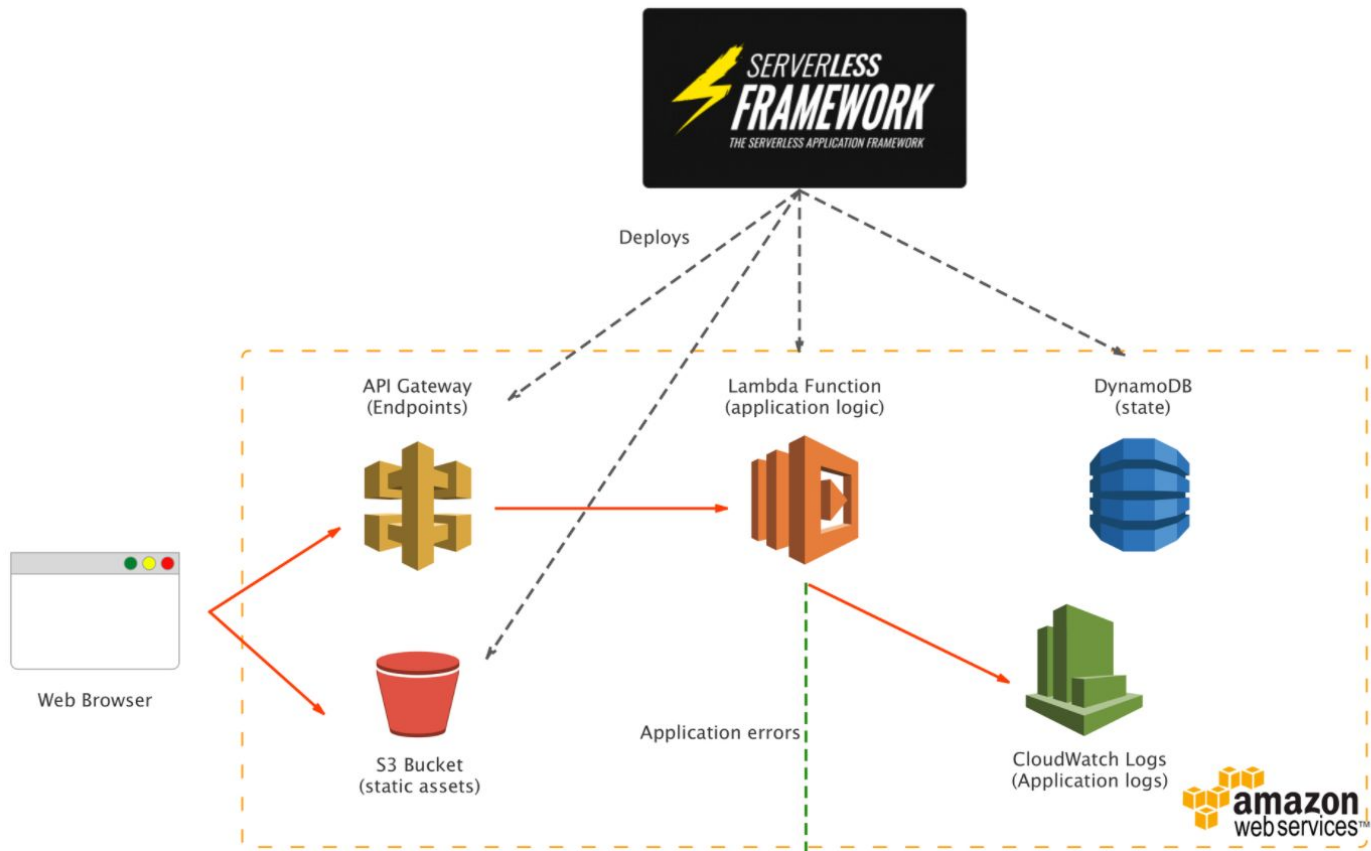
- Serverless framework

<https://serverless.com/>

Takes care of defining and deploying infrastructure resources, as well as function code



no support for ruby yet :(  we will use node.js and javascript for the demos



# Setup

## 1. Install nodejs and npm

Using homebrew

```
$ brew install node
```

[How to install with Homebrew](#)

[Or from official page](#)

## 2. Install Serverless Framework (CLI)

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



# Setup

## 3. AWS Account

If you don't already have one, you can sign up for a [free trial](#) that includes 1 million free Lambda requests per month

## 4. Set AWS Credentials locally

```
$ serverless config credentials --provider aws --key xxx --secret zzz
```

You can also use [aws cli](#) or the [serverless dashboard](#) to set these

```
➔ my-service git:(master) ✕ serverless config credentials --provider aws --key AKI
Serverless: Setting up AWS...
Serverless: Saving your AWS profile in "~/.aws/credentials"...
Serverless: Success! Your AWS access keys were stored under the "default" profile.
➔ my-service git:(master) ✕
```

## If you don't have your own AWS Account

Prefix anything that goes into AWS:

- service name
- bucket name
- notification name

with your name to avoid name collisions.

## Create serverless service

```
$ serverless create --template aws-nodejs --path <service-name>
```

serverless.yml — demo-service

```
service: demo-service

provider:
  name: aws
  runtime: nodejs6.10

functions:
  hello:
    handler: handler.hello
```

handler.js

```
'use strict';

module.exports.hello = (event, context, callback) => {
  const response = {
    statusCode: 200,
    body: JSON.stringify({
      message: 'Go Serverless v1.0! Your function executed successfully!',
      input: event,
    }),
  };

  callback(null, response);
};
```

## Deploy & invoke service

```
$ cd <service-name>
```

```
$ serverless deploy
```

```
$ serverless invoke -f hello
```

```
→ demo-service git:(master) ✕ serverless invoke -f hello
{
  "statusCode": 200,
  "body": "{\"message\": \"Go Serverless v1.0! Your function executed successfully!\", \"input\": {}}"
}
```

# create new serverless service/project

```
$ serverless create --template ... --path ...
```

# deploy verbose mode

```
$ serverless deploy -v
```

# deploy single function; recommended

```
$ serverless deploy function -f hello
```

# invoke with logs

```
$ serverless invoke -f hello -l
```

# invoke locally

```
$ serverless invoke local -f hello
```

# trail logs

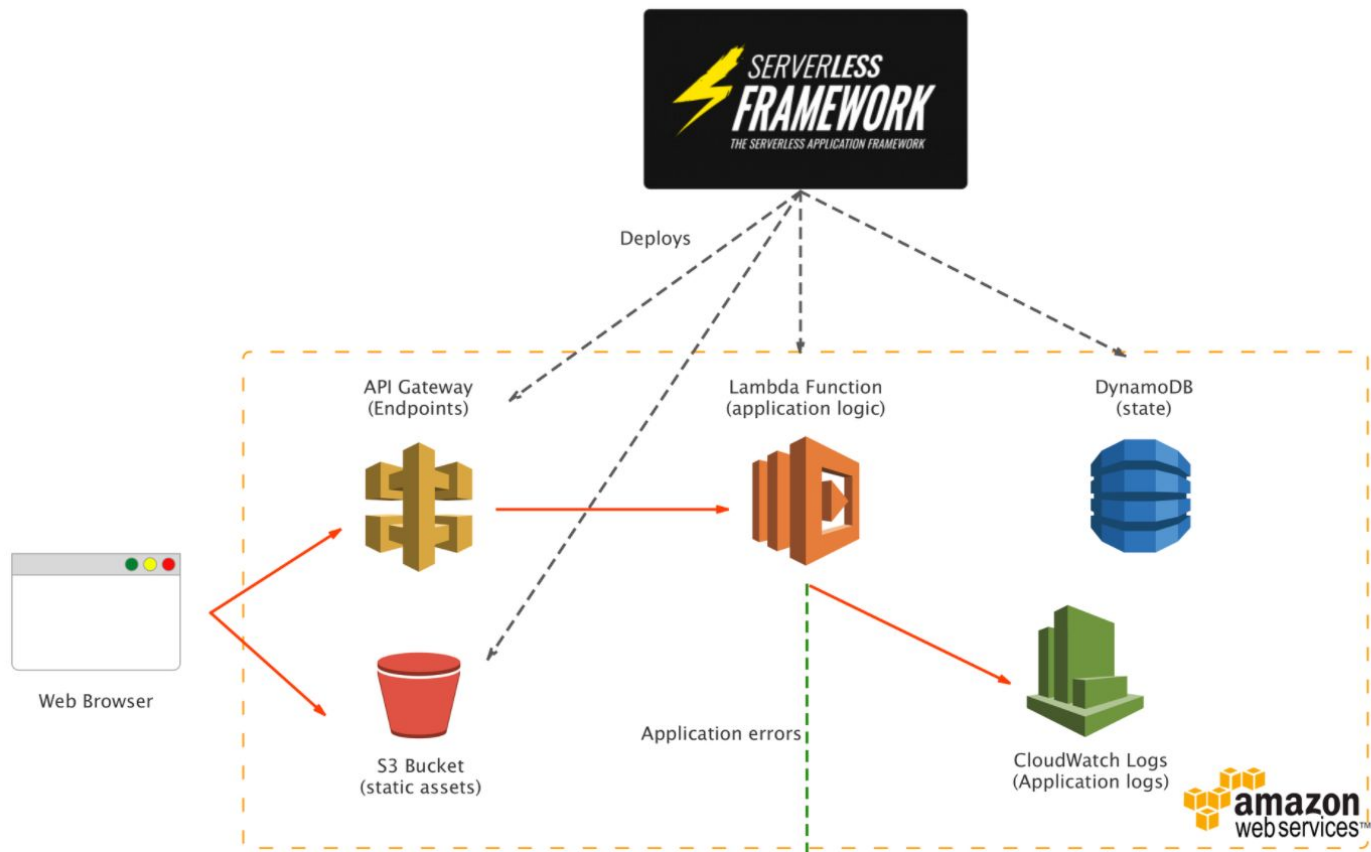
```
$ serverless logs -f hello -t
```

# remove service

```
$ serverless remove
```

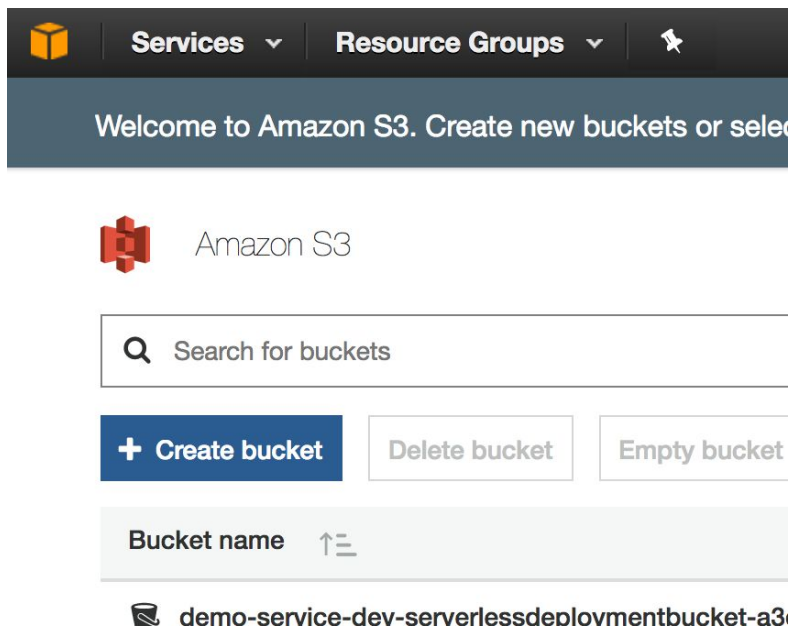
## 2. S3, IAM Roles, Endpoints

Update Hello World function to show contents from  
an S3 bucket via HTTP Endpoint



## Read files from S3

- Create Bucket in S3  
(Services -> Storage -> S3)
- Upload two small images to it





## Read files from S3

Update handler.js code to read the data from the bucket you just created

\* replace bucket name with yours

```
handler.js
'use strict';
var AWS = require('aws-sdk');
var s3 = new AWS.S3();

module.exports.hello = (event, context, callback) => {
  var params = {
    Bucket: 'serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345',
  };

  s3.listObjectsV2(params, function(err, data) {
    if (err) {
      console.log(err, err.stack);
    } else {
      const response = {
        statusCode: 200,
        body: JSON.stringify({
          "bucket_list": data
        }),
      };
      callback(null, response);
    }
  });
};
```

# Read files from S3

```
$ serverless invoke -f hello -l
```

You should get an 'Access denied' error.

Your service doesn't have permissions to read from S3 buckets

```
→ demo-service git:(master) X serverless invoke -f hello -l
null
-----
START RequestId: aed8e7c9-8cfb-11e7-be2c-c3eaa8084458 Version: $LATEST
2017-08-29 23:50:25.716 (+03:00) aed8e7c9-8cfb-11e7-be2c-c3eaa8084458 { AccessDenied: Access Denied
  at Request.extractError (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/services/s3.js:577:35)
  at Request.callListeners (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:105:20)
  at Request.emit (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:77:10)
  at Request.emit (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:683:14)
  at Request.transition (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:22:10)
  at AcceptorStateMachine.runTo (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/state_machine.js:14:12)
  at /var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/state_machine.js:26:10
  at Request.<anonymous> (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:38:9)
  at Request.<anonymous> (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:685:12)
  at Request.callListeners (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:115:18)
  message: 'Access Denied',
  code: 'AccessDenied',
  region: 'us-east-1',
  time: 2017-08-29T20:50:25.715Z,
  requestId: '5067C2EC3325DFEB',
  extendedRequestId: '3dkQp8C0Gfje9C/3FrS29WdVIsJlGNQgMtgeanwV85oxbj10RKTLHp85qChKyI5gSMuDIoNoZLI=',
  cfId: undefined,
  statusCode: 403,
  retryable: false,
  retryDelay: 43.81763393868625 } 'AccessDenied: Access Denied\n  at Request.extractError (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/services/s3.js:577:35)\n\n  at Request.callListeners (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:105:20)\n  at Request.emit (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:77:10)\n  at Request.emit (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:683:14)\n  at Request.transition (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:22:10)\n  at AcceptorStateMachine.runTo (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/state_machine.js:14:12)\n  at /var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/state_machine.js:26:10\n  at Request.<anonymous> (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:38:9)\n  at Request.<anonymous> (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/request.js:685:12)\n  at Request.callListeners (/var/runtime/node_modules/aws-sdk/lib/sequential_executor.js:115:18)'\nEND RequestId: aed8e7c9-8cfb-11e7-be2c-c3eaa8084458
REPORT RequestId: aed8e7c9-8cfb-11e7-be2c-c3eaa8084458 Duration: 99.71 ms Billed Duration: 100 ms Memory Size: 1024 MB Max Memory Used: 39 MB
```

## Read files from S3

Assign an IAM Role with S3 *ListBucket* permissions in serverless.yml

\* replace bucket name in Resource field with yours

Invoke function again:

```
$ serverless invoke -f hello -l
```

```
provider:
  name: aws
  runtime: nodejs6.10
  iamRoleStatements:
    - Effect: "Allow"
      Action:
        - "s3:ListBucket"
      Resource: arn:aws:s3:::serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345
```

```
→ demo-service git:(master) X serverless invoke -f hello -l
{
  "statusCode": 200,
  "body": "{\n  \"bucket_list\": {\n    \"IsTruncated\": false,\n    \"Contents\": [\n      {\n        \"Key\": \"cat.jpg\",\n        \"LastModified\": \"2017-08-28T16:25:24.000Z\",\n        \"ETag\": \"\\\"\\\\\\\"154a108100d944982c1582fd7606a0ab\\\\\\\"\\\\\\\"\",\n        \"Size\": 12605,\n        \"StorageClass\": \"STANDARD\"\n      }, {\n        \"Key\": \"cat2.jpg\",\n        \"LastModified\": \"2017-08-28T16:27:51.000Z\",\n        \"ETag\": \"\\\"\\\\\\\"ca3e11865fd75b1c13c7a3f834d6d8bf\\\\\\\"\\\\\\\"\",\n        \"Size\": 49879,\n        \"StorageClass\": \"STANDARD\"\n      }, {\n        \"Key\": \"demo_picture.jpg\",\n        \"LastModified\": \"2017-08-27T14:21:15.000Z\",\n        \"ETag\": \"\\\"\\\\\\\"085a42f2ec1cf5488daa104148c169d2\\\\\\\"\\\\\\\"\",\n        \"Size\": 70171,\n        \"StorageClass\": \"STANDARD\"\n      }\n    ],\n    \"Name\": \"serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345\",\n    \"Prefix\": \"\",\n    \"MaxKeys\": 1000,\n    \"CommonPrefixes\": [],\n    \"KeyCount\": 3\n  }\n}"
```

# Endpoint

Add endpoint in serverless.yml

```
$ serverless deploy
```

```
→ demo-service git:(master) ✕ sls deploy
Serverless: Packaging service...
Serverless: Excluding development dependencies...
Serverless: Uploading CloudFormation file to S3...
Serverless: Uploading artifacts...
Serverless: Uploading service .zip file to S3 (443 B)...
Serverless: Validating template...
Serverless: Updating Stack...
Serverless: Checking Stack update progress...
.....
Serverless: Stack update finished...
Service Information
service: demo-service
stage: dev
region: us-east-1
stack: demo-service-dev
api keys:
  None
endpoints:
  GET - https://uil5pp1gf9.execute-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/dev/mydata
functions:
  hello: demo-service-dev-hello
```

```
functions:
  hello:
    handler: handler.hello
    events:
      - http:
          path: mydata
          method: get
# The following are a few ex
```

# Endpoint

Access GET endpoint reported in console after deploy and you should see something like:

```
{ "bucket_list": { "IsTruncated": false, "Contents": [ { "Key": "cat.jpg", "LastModified": "2017-08-28T16:25:24.000Z", "ETag": "\"154a108100d944982c1582fd7606a0ab\"", "Size": 12605, "StorageClass": "STANDARD" }, { "Key": "cat2.jpg", "LastModified": "2017-08-28T16:27:51.000Z", "ETag": "\"ca3e11865fd75b1c13c7a3f834d6d8bf\"", "Size": 49879, "StorageClass": "STANDARD" }, { "Key": "demo_picture.jpg", "LastModified": "2017-08-27T14:21:15.000Z", "ETag": "\"085a42f2ec1cf5488daa104148c169d2\"", "Size": 70171, "StorageClass": "STANDARD" } ] }, "Name": "serve-  
rless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345", "Prefix": "", "MaxKeys": 1000, "CommonPrefixes": [ ], "KeyCount": 3 }
```

### 3. Events

Create a new function *signed\_url* that runs when an object is uploaded to an S3 bucket and logs a signed url for that item.

# Events

Define new function in serverless.yml

```
functions:
  hello:
    handler: handler.hello
    events:
      - http:
          path: mydata
          method: get
  signed_url:
    handler: signed_url.signed_url
```

## Events

Create signed\_url.js with the code to the right.

Deploy service (anytime you change serverless.yml you need to deploy the whole service)

```
$ serverless deploy
```

```
signed_url.js
'use strict';

var AWS = require('aws-sdk');
var s3 = new AWS.S3();

const signedUrlExpireSeconds = 60 * 5

module.exports.signed_url = (event, context, callback) => {
  const s3obj = event.Records[0].s3

  const bucketParam = s3obj.bucket.name
  const keyParam = s3obj.object.key

  var params = {
    Bucket: bucketParam,
    Key: keyParam,
    Expires: signedUrlExpireSeconds
  };


  const url = s3.getSignedUrl('getObject', params)
  console.log(url)

  const response = { statusCode: 200 };
  callback(null, response);
};
```











# Events

Go to your AWS S3 bucket -> Properties -> Events

 Amazon S3 [Switch to the old console](#)

[+ Create bucket](#) [Delete bucket](#) [Empty bucket](#)

Bucket name	↑ ↓	F
 demo-service-dev-serverlessdeploymentbucket-a3g...		L
 my-service-2-dev-serverlessdeploymentbucket-1pd...		L
 my-service-dev-serverlessdeploymentbucket-1q7qx...		L
 my-service-dev-serverlessdeploymentbucket-jymho...		L
 my-service-prod-serverlessdeploymentbucket-zpod...		L
 my-service-test-serverlessdeploymentbucket-1x8z9...		L
 serverless-ruby-dev-serverlessdeploymentbucket-1...		L
 <u>serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345</u>		L

[Amazon S3](#) > serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345

[Overview](#) [Properties](#) [Permissions](#)

# Events

Create Notification for *ObjectCreate (All)* event, and set it to notify your lambda function.

Secure. View site information

Events

×

+ Add notification

Delete

Edit

Name	Events	Filter	Type
New event			

Name ⓘ

S3ObjectCreate

Events ⓘ

☐ RRObjectLost

☐ Put

☐ Post

☐ Copy

☐ Complete Multipart Upload

☐ Delete

☐ Delete Marker Created

☒ ObjectCreate (All)

☐ ObjectDelete (All)

Prefix ⓘ

e.g. images/

Suffix ⓘ

e.g. .jpg

Send to ⓘ

Lambda Function

Lambda

demo-service-dev-signed\_url

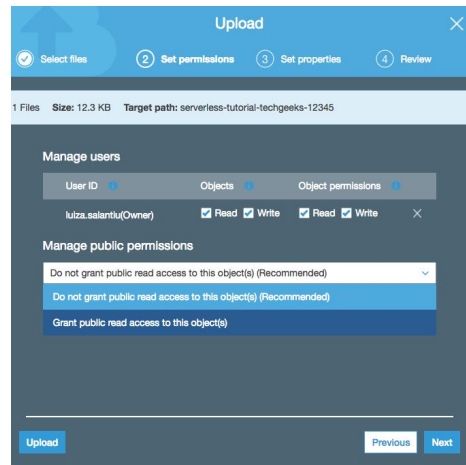
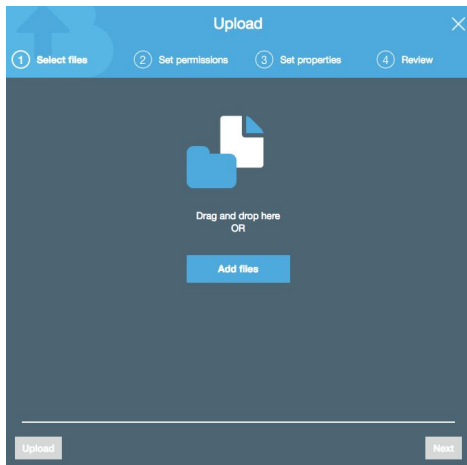
# Events

Open a new console and stream logs for the function. When you upload an image to your bucket, you should see the function being call in the logs.

```
$ serverless logs -f signed_url -t
```

Upload image to your S3 bucket

\* grant public access for now; normally it wouldn't be needed - signed urls are for providing short lived access to an object that is not publicly available but for some reason when the function is ran in AWS, it gives a weird signed url. Different than if code runs locally)



Events

Wait for it ...

```
C START RequestId: 16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac Version: $LATEST
F 2017-08-30 13:07:54.241 (+03:00)      16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac    serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345
F 2017-08-30 13:07:54.241 (+03:00)      16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac    skate.png
F 2017-08-30 13:07:54.261 (+03:00)      16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac    https://serverless-tutorial-techgeeks-12345.s3.amazonaws.com/skate.png?AWSAccessKeyId=ASIAJHDZ37F4Q4IYVYQ&Expires=1504088574&Signature=sRg33VAQrzKR%2FzxxrWlGNoIFya%3D&x-amz-security-token=FqoDYXdxEKL%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2FwEaDJd7sxa9344DYaJ0qSL0AQF%2Bpkq1kiYesrMxHuUIrak3tSVSW3%2Fx8taap%2Bxc6rwLtKdRG2dbufOUY3cerwgFmQdVCOm9PtpKFpykjdlW0%2BJAJABYq4uIOGG3YOvPCm6uk9y3SiZD94XHUS7omEr%2FQR1jFWSE8z2iQfgwmq24I41uTA%2F%2F0bBtOhF9axzdCaAgDX9Nu0FiCZPJPHct%2Fdvy0pnSRHPyCM%2B3eG0UmcdjY0KYDN1anbfdNW89FuJyzsorRXG%2Bykmfp%2B6mmPQ5y4FYTXbk64DdgXAYExutFE2pJoeBhx8016a1xFUQOyISe%2BeoJCWWDX%2BLN2KAcFNxfjc36ScotIWazQU%3D
S END RequestId: 16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac
€ REPORT RequestId: 16c53725-8d6b-11e7-9fba-7788d58c0cac Duration: 61.26 ms Billed Duration: 100 ms Memory Size: 1024 MB Max Memory Used: 32 MB
```

A close-up, top-down view of a ginger and white tabby cat looking directly at the camera with large, yellow eyes. The cat has a white chest and paws, with orange and white stripes on its body and tail. The background is plain white.

## Resources

<https://martinfowler.com/articles/serverless.html>

<https://github.com/anaibol/awesome-serverless>

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

<http://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/reference/>

<http://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/reference/lambda/list-functions.html>

<https://github.com/aws-labs?utf8=%E2%9C%93&q=serverless&type=&language=>

<https://github.com/serverless/guide>

<https://serverless.com/framework/docs/providers/aws/cli-reference/>

<https://github.com/serverless/examples>

<https://github.com/serverless/dashboard>

## Tutorials

<http://serverless-stack.com/>

[Building a REST API](#)