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User Guide

A serverless image recognition app

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# Mission

The goal of the project is to develop a Serverless Image Recognition App.

# Solution

This can be achieved using AWS lambda to trigger AI image recognition service when user upload the image to S3 bucket, then store the label/result of the image in DynamoDB.

This can also be viewed from CloudWatch logs.

# Workflow

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Prerequisites

1. Python3 installed <https://www.python.org/downloads/>
2. Boto3 package installed <https://boto3.amazonaws.com/v1/documentation/api/latest/guide/quickstart.html>.
3. AWS free tier account created.
4. AWS CLI configuration <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-configure-quickstart.html>.
5. Necessary IAM role configuration and permissions (Figure 1).
6. S3 bucket for image upload (prefix: images).
7. Lambda trigger configuration (Figure 2).
8. Pre-existing DynamoDB table (named ImageLabels).
9. Git/Github account (optional).

# Python Functions

The achieved solution is divided into two main Python files: s3upload.py and lambda\_function.py

**s3upload.py**: This file contains the following functions to upload an image selected by the user to a specified S3 bucket.

* **get\_existing\_objects** – this function gets the list of existing objects from the S3 bucket.
* **upload\_file** – this function uploads the selected image to the desired S3 bucket.

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**Lambda\_function.py:** This file consists of the following functions:

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* **detect\_labels**: it uses the recognition service to detect the labels in a given image and return the labels with the respective confidence levels.
* **lambda\_handler**: is the main execution point of the Lambda function. It calls the detect\_labels function with the bucket and image arguments and inserts the returned results into a DynamoDB table.

# Sample Execution.

Example of uploaded image.

A picture containing outdoor, sky, tree, house

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The Python console application for uploading images to AWS S3 service.

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The S3 bucket after the uploaded image.

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The Lambda function architecture.

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Description automatically generatedThe Lambda function Python code to detect labels in uploaded image.

The output of the detection function monitored in CloudWatch.

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The DynamoDB table

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Git/GitHub

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Figure - Basic Execution Role and Policies for Lambda

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Figure -Lambda Trigger configuration