

# Lab Exercise 5

**Lab Title: Refactoring User Data Export API to Asynchronous with AWS SQS, Lambda, DynamoDB, and Google Sign-In**

**Duration:**

2–3 hours

---

## Overview:

In this lab, students will create an authenticated and secure asynchronous data export system using Next.js and AWS. Initially, students will create an API that sends messages to a queue using AWS SQS (Simple Queue Service). They will then create an endpoint in this API to process data synchronously by simulating a long running process in the endpoints code.

Following this, they will then refactor this API to handle export requests asynchronously by creating a Lambda that also simulates a long running process, triggering each time a message is added in the queue. The exported data will be displayed on a front-end that the student will develop, and all actions will be logged in DynamoDB. Students will also be required to pass OAuth tokens when testing the API locally. Integration of Google Sign-In for OAuth 2.0 authentication will ensure that only authorised users can access the API.

---

## Lab Overview:

Lab Exercise 5

Overview:

Lab Overview:

Detailed Steps: (Please fill in here)

### Step 1 Installing Node.js (5 mins):

Step 2 Setup of Next.js application:

### Step 2 Editing your Node.Js Application (10 mins):

2.1:

2.2:

2.3 Setting Up AWS Credentials

2.4 Testing your endpoint

2.5 Initial Frontend Implementation

### Step 3: Authentication Integration (15 mins)

Step 3.1 Creating OAuth Consent Screen:

Step 3.2 Creating OAuth Credentials:

Step 3.3 Installing & Configuring NextAuth:

Step 3.4 Adding Components for Authentication:

Step 3.5 Protecting our Task Manager:

**Step 4: Creating a Synchronous Data Export API (10 mins)**

Step 4.1 Create the SendMessageSync Endpoint

Step 4.2 Testing the sendMessageSync endpoint we just made In Postman

Step 4.3 Hooking this endpoint up to our front-end

**Step 5: Setting up a Lambda to process Messages in our SQS Queue (25 mins)**

Step 5.1 Creating a Lambda in the AWS Console

Step 5.2 Changing default timeout of the lambda

Step 5.2 Adding SQS permissions to the lambda

Step 5.3 Adding DynamoDB Permissions to our Lambda

Step 5.4 Adding our Lambda as a trigger to SQS

Step 5.4 Adding code to our Lambda

**Step 6: Testing that our Lambda works, viewing logs in CloudWatch and Viewing entries in Dynamodb Table (10 mins)**

Step 6.1 Testing Lambda from the front end

Step 6.2 Viewing CloudWatch Logs

Step 6.3 Viewing entries in the Dynamo table

**Step 7: Delivering the data to the user (10 mins)**

Step 7.1 Let's set up our frontend to poll for the completion of our request

Step 7.2 Creating our polling endpoint

**Step 8: Securing our APIs (10 mins)**

Step 8.1 Generating a NextAuth token

Step 8.2 Creating a new env variable

Step 8.3 Updating your nextAuth route

Step 8.4 Updating sendMessageAsync

Step 8.5 Testing Endpoint

**FINAL STEP** ⚠

Tools/Software Required:

Expected Outcomes:

---

**Detailed Steps: (Please fill in here)**

Project Setup

**1. Installing Node.js**

- As we are creating a project using Next.js, we will need Node installed on our machines
- **Setup of Next.js Application:**
  - Create a new project using Node
  - Run the newly created project locally

## 2. Editing your Node.Js Application:

- **Create an AWS Queue:**
  - Set up a queue using AWS SQS (Simple Queue Service)
- **Create an asynchronous endpoint:**
  - Create an asynchronous endpoint in our project API
  - Install the AWS-SDK
  - Ensure that this endpoint pushes messages to the AWS queue
- **Set up AWS Credentials:**
  - Obtain your AWS Root User access keys
  - Create a .env file to store your access keys
- **Testing the Endpoint:**
  - Test the asynchronous endpoint in Postman
- **Initial Frontend Implementation:**
  - Modify your existing project front-end to display a button that will invoke our asynchronous API endpoint

## 3. Authentication Integration:

- **Create OAuth Consent Screen:**
  - Develop data consent screen for users who want to sign in with Google
- **Create OAuth Credentials:**
  - Set up your OAuth Client ID and Client Secret
- **Install & Configure NextAuth:**
  - Install NextAuth
  - Add your OAuth Client ID and Client Secret to your .env file
- **Add Components for Authentication:**
  - Create a Sign In component for the front-end
  - Create a Providers component & import the providers to the layout file of our front-end
  - Create an AppBar component & import it into the layout file of our front-end
- **Protect our Task Manager:**
  - Modify the page component of our front-end to hide the task manager when a user is not signed in

## 4. Create a Synchronous Data Export API:

- **Create the SendMessageSync Endpoint:**
  - Create a new endpoint in the project API that exports data synchronously
- **Test the sendMessageSync Endpoint**
  - Test the sendMessageSync endpoint in Postman
- **Hook this endpoint to the front-end**
  - Edit the taskmanager file to add another button to invoke our synchronous API endpoint

## 5. Set up a Lambda to Process Messages in our SQS Queue:

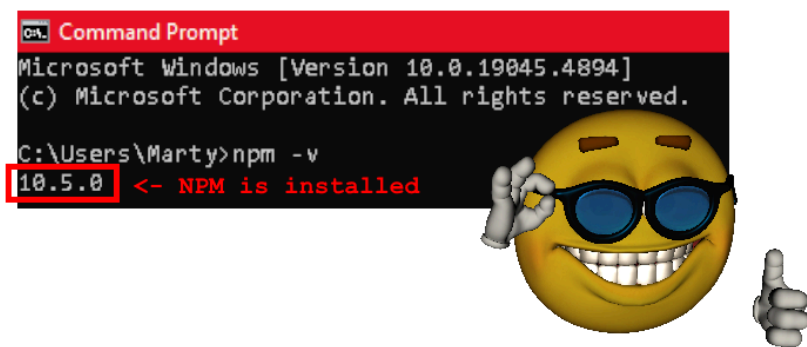
- **Create a Lambda in the AWS Console:**
  - Create a new Lambda function in your AWS console
- **Change the Default Timeout of the Lambda:**

- Change the timeout from 3 seconds to 15 seconds to accommodate long running processes
  - **Add SQS Permissions to the Lambda:**
    - Allow the Lambda to read from & write to the queue created earlier
  - **Add DynamoDB Permissions to the Lambda:**
    - Create a DynamoDB table in your AWS console
    - Allow the Lambda to read from & write to your DynamoDB table
  - **Add our Lambda as a trigger to SQS:**
    - Add a new trigger to your queue that calls your lambda function each time a message is added to the queue
  - **Add code to the Lambda:**
    - Add code to your lambda function that will..
      1. Log events and the queue message to CloudWatch
      2. Create an entry in your DynamoDB table with "In-Progress" status
      3. Simulate a long running process
      4. Update the previous DynamoDB entries status to "Complete"
      5. Return a successful response
- 6. **Test the Lambda, view CloudWatch logs & scan DynamoDB Table:**
  - **Test the Lambda from the front-end:**
    - Invoke the asynchronous API endpoint from the front-end
  - **View CloudWatch Logs:**
    - Observe the execution of the lambda function in the CloudWatch logs of the Lambda function
  - **View new entries in DynamoDB Table**
    - Run a scan on your DynamoDB table to see the entries added by the Lambda function
- 7. **Deliver Data to User on the Front-end:**
  - **Front-end Setup for Polling:**
    - Edit your taskmanager file to display the processing & complete statuses on the front-end
  - **Create Polling Endpoint:**
    - Create a checkStatus endpoint to check when the status of your dynamoDB entry
    - Return either "Processing" or "Completed" to the front-end
- 8. **Secure your API:**
  - **Generate a NextAuth token:**
    - Create a random Base64 string to act as our .env variable for NextAuth
  - **Create a New .Env variable:**
    - Create a NextAuth\_Secret variable in the .env file
  - **Update your NextAuth Route:**
    - Modify the route.ts file in the [...nextauth] file to use the nextauth secret
  - **Update the sendMessageAsync endpoint:**
    - Modify the route.ts file of the asynchronous endpoint to check the AuthOptions for the server session
  - **Test the updated sendMessageAsync endpoint:**

- Test the endpoint in Postman before logging in (unauthorised response) and then after you login (successful response)
- 

## Step 1 Installing Node.js (5 mins):

- Head to <https://nodejs.org/en> to download node.js  
Once the installation is finished,
- Run the `npm -v` command in a terminal to ensure you have node.js installed correctly.
- The version of Node.js should print following this command. If this does not happen, Node.js has not been properly installed.



## Step 2 Setup of Next.js application:

- We will now set up a next.js application. To do this, open your command prompt once more and navigate to a directory where you want to set up the project.
- Then, Run the following command

```
npm create-next-app@latest
```

- After running this command, you will first be asked to give it a name. After that you will need to select the configuration of your next.js project. Answer the questions as follows:

```
C:\Users\Marty>npx create-next-app@latest
✓ What is your project named? ... cs4337-wk5-lab
✓ Would you like to use TypeScript? ... No / Yes
✓ Would you like to use ESLint? ... No / Yes
✓ Would you like to use Tailwind CSS? ... No / Yes
✓ Would you like to use `src/` directory? ... No / Yes
✓ Would you like to use App Router? (recommended) ... No / Yes
✓ Would you like to customize the default import alias (@/*)? ... No / Yes
Creating a new Next.js app in C:\Users\Marty\cs4337-wk5-lab.
```

- Next, we will run the development server to ensure that we set the project up correctly. We do this by navigating into the project directory `cd` to your project and run

```
npm run dev
```

```
C:\Users\Marty>cd cs4337-wk5-lab

C:\Users\Marty\cs4337-wk5-lab>npm run dev

> cs4337-wk5-lab@0.1.0 dev
> next dev

  ▲ Next.js 14.2.14
  - Local:      http://localhost:3000

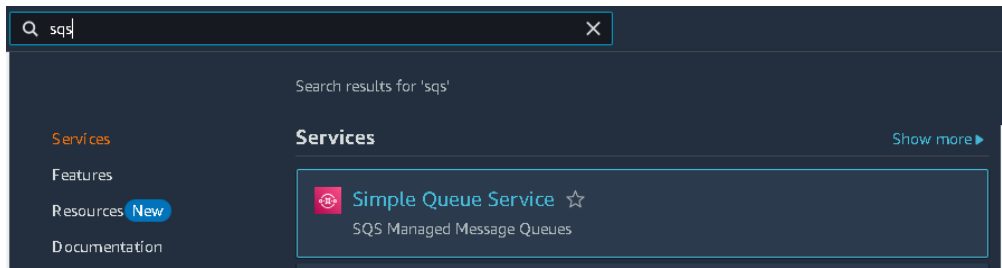
  Starting...
  Ready in 2.5s
```

- We can now run <http://localhost:3000> to see the default Next.js welcome page.
- This indicates that next.js is running successfully

## Step 2 Editing your Node.Js Application (10 mins):

### 2.1:

- Head to AWS, we will need to set up an SQS queue.



Next, Select create queue

Create queue

Create a name for this queue, take note of it. Leave the rest of the settings to the default ones provided by aws. Then scroll to the bottom, create the queue.

On the next screen, you will get info about your queue, take note of the URL associated with your queue. You will need this for the next step.

Type

Standard

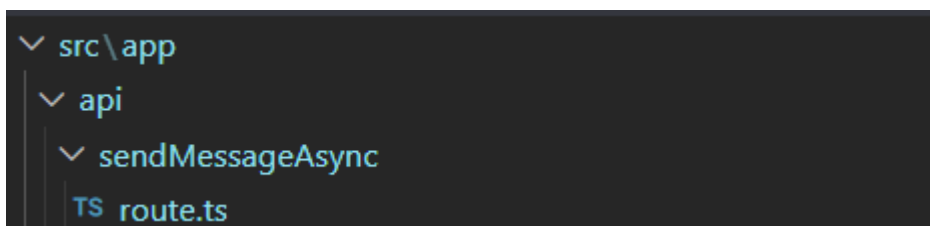
URL

 <https://sqs.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/123456789012/queue-name> week-5-lab

## 2.2:

- Under the app folder, we will make an api folder, within this we will create folders for the various apis we wish to integrate. For now, we will create a sendMessage folder to house the endpoint for our first api.

**src/app/api/sendMessageAsync**



- Within this sendMessageAsync folder, we will create a

new typescript file. **route.ts**

- We need to install the amazon sdk for our project to work with SQS. **Run the following command in a terminal:**

```
npm install @aws-sdk/client-sqs
```

- Within the **route.ts** file, we will create the post request. Code on the next page.

```
import { SQSClient, SendMessageCommand } from
"@aws-sdk/client-sqs";
import { NextRequest, NextResponse } from "next/server";

const sqs = new SQSClient({ region: process.env.AWS_REGION});

const generateRandomLongID = () => {
  return Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15) +
  Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15);
}

export async function POST(req: NextRequest) {
  try {
    const queueUrl = process.env.QUEUE_URL
    const randomId = generateRandomLongID()

    const command = new SendMessageCommand({
      QueueUrl: queueUrl,
```



```

    MessageBody: randomId,
  });

  const response = await sqs.send(command);

  return NextResponse.json({
    message: "Message sent to SQS",
    messageId: response.MessageId,
    batchId: randomId,
  });
} catch (error) {
  console.error("Error sending message to SQS:", error);
  return NextResponse.json(
    { error: "Failed to send message to SQS" },
    { status: 500 }
  );
}
}

```

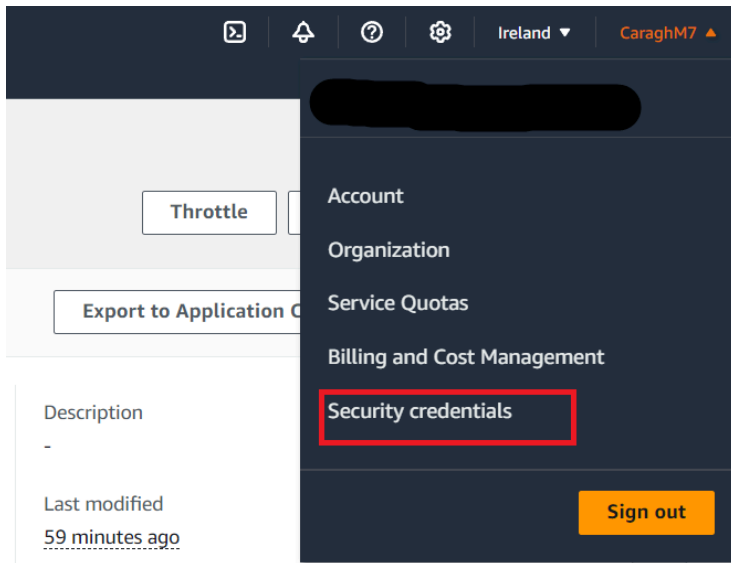
Make sure to include the QueueURL, this is the URL for your queue from your last step. Paste it within this file.

```
const queueUrl = 'https://sqs.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com, [redacted] week-5-lab';
```

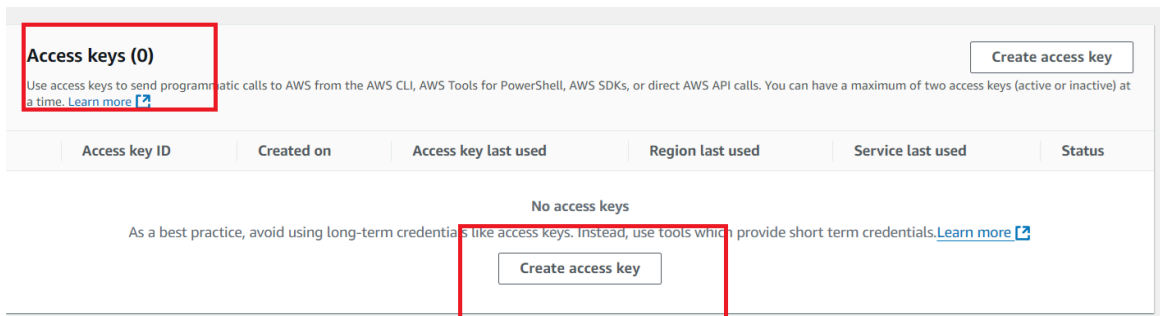
## 2.3 Setting Up AWS Credentials

To use our queue, we must add some **credentials to our local environment** to access the resources on our AWS account.

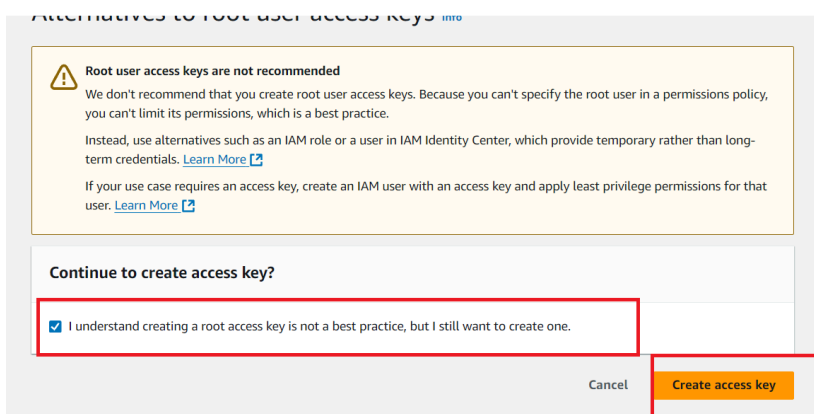
In your AWS Management console, navigate to your account options drop down and click **Security Credentials**



Then scroll to the **Access Keys section**, and create an access key



**Ignore** the warnings regarding using the root user access keys, as we will delete these at the end of the lab!



Now we will see our **Access Key** and our **Secret Access key**  
Don't close this page!

- Now **create a .env file** in the **root directory** of the project (the same folder as **README.md**)

```
QUEUE_URL=  
AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID=  
AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY=  
AWS_REGION=eu-west-1
```

- Change the **first two values** to the **Access Key** and **Secret Access Key** you have open in your browser
- Fill in the **SQS QUEUE URL** from above into the first line

Now you are authenticated and can access your AWS Resources programmatically!

## 2.4 Testing your endpoint

Once that is set up, SQS should be ready to work with our next.js app. We can ensure our api is set up properly by doing the following steps:

1. Running our application

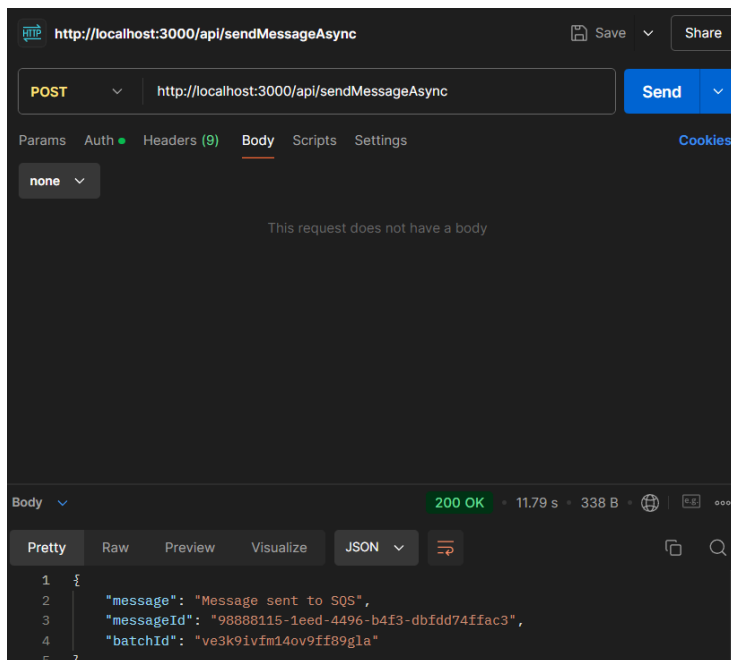
`npm run dev` In the terminal

2. Over to postman

Create a new **POST** request with this URL

**`http://localhost:3000/api/sendMessageAsync`**

No body required, and hit send!



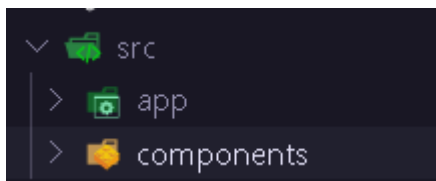
You can also see the message sent to your SQS queue by heading back to SQS on AWS.

	Name ▲	Type ▼	Created ▼	Messages available ▼
<input type="radio"/>	<a href="#">week-5-lab</a>	Standard	2024-10-04T14:22+01:00	1

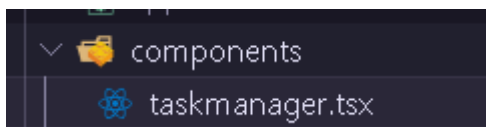
## 2.5 Initial Frontend Implementation

Great, we are ready to create the frontend implementation of this post request.

Lets first create a components folder within our src folder:



Next, create a taskmanager.tsx file within the components folder.



We can then create our taskmanager.tsx file:

```
"use client";
import { useState, useEffect } from 'react';
import { CSSProperties } from 'react';

export default function TaskManager() {
  const [batchId, setBatchId] = useState<string | null>(null);
  const [batchStatus, setBatchStatus] = useState<string>("idle");
  const [batchContent, setBatchContent] = useState<string>("");

  const handleSubmit = async () => {
```

```

const response = await fetch('/api/sendMessageAsync', {
  method: 'POST',
  headers: {
    'Content-Type': 'application/json',
  },
}).then(data => data.json());

if (response.batchId) {
  setBatchId(response.batchId);
  setBatchStatus("in-progress");
  alert(`Message sent: ${response.batchId}`);
} else {
  alert("Failed to send message to SQS");
}

};

return (
  <div style={styles.wrapper}>
    <div style={styles.containerTwo}>
      <div style={styles.container}>
        <h1 style={styles.title}>Export Data
        Asynchronously:</h1>

        <button style={styles.button}
onClick={handleSubmit}>Send</button>
        {batchStatus === "in-progress" && <p
style={styles.title}>Processing...</p>}
        {batchStatus === "complete" && <p
style={styles.title}>Data: {batchContent}</p>}

      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
);
}

const styles: { [key: string]: CSSProperties } = {
  wrapper: {
    display: 'flex',

```

```
    justifyContent: 'center',
    alignItems: 'center',
    minHeight: '100vh',
    backgroundColor: '#f0f0f0',
    padding: '20px',
  },
  containerTwo: {
    display: 'flex',
    flexDirection: 'row',
    justifyContent: 'space-evenly',
    alignItems: 'center',
    gap: '2rem',
    backgroundColor: '#ffffff',
    padding: '30px',
    borderRadius: '15px',
    boxShadow: '0 8px 16px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1)',
  },
  container: {
    display: 'flex',
    flexDirection: 'column',
    justifyContent: 'center',
    alignItems: 'center',
    backgroundColor: '#f8f8f8',
    padding: '30px',
    borderRadius: '12px',
    width: '350px',
    boxShadow: '0 4px 12px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1)',
  },
  title: {
    fontSize: '20px',
    fontWeight: 'bold',
    marginBottom: '15px',
    color: '#333',
  },
  button: {
    padding: '12px 24px',
    backgroundColor: '#0070f3',
    color: '#fff',
```

```

    border: 'none',
    borderRadius: '8px',
    cursor: 'pointer',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    transition: 'background-color 0.3s ease',
  },
  buttonHover: {
    backgroundColor: '#005bb5',
  },
  statusInProgress: {
    marginTop: '20px',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    color: '#FFA500',
  },
  statusComplete: {
    marginTop: '20px',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    color: '#28a745',
  },
};

```

Our first component for the frontend is complete.

To insert this into our webpage we need to insert this into the **page.tsx** file. **Src\app\page.tsx**

Delete the existing contents of the page.tsx file, this is just a placeholder from next.js. And insert the code below. Ensure that the import is correct to your specific filename.

#### **page.tsx**

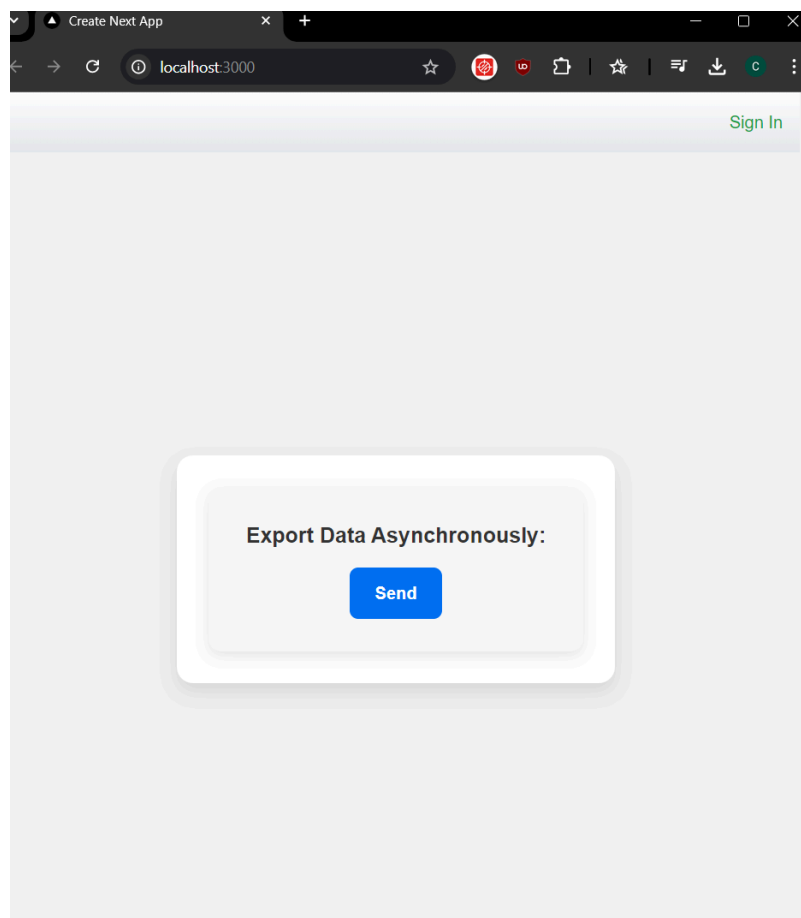
```

"use client";
import TaskManager from '../components/taskmanager';

```

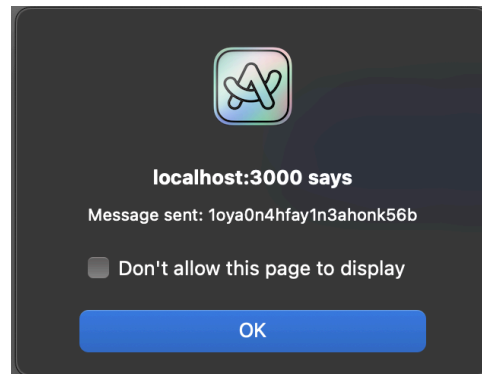
```
export default function Home() {  
  
  return (  
    <TaskManager />  
  );  
}
```

You are now ready to `npm run dev` once more to look at your frontend.



Click Send and you should get a similar response to the one below.





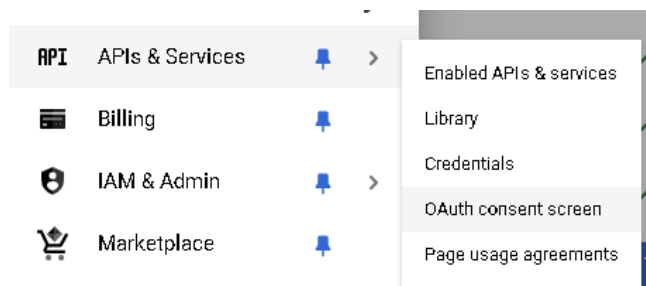
## Step 3: Authentication Integration (15 mins)

### Step 3.1 Creating OAuth Consent Screen:

1. Go to the Google Cloud Console and **create a new project**.

<https://console.cloud.google.com/>

2. Select your project and navigate to the OAuth consent screen from the left hand menu.



3. Set the **User Type** to **External**

User Type

☐ Internal ?

Only available to users within your organization. You will not need to submit your app for verification. [Learn more about user type](#)

☒ External ?

Available to any test user with a Google Account. Your app will start in testing mode and will only be available to users you add to the list of test users. Once your app is ready to push to production, you may need to verify your app. [Learn more about user type](#)

[CREATE](#)

4. Fill out the required fields such as  
a. App Name

- b. User Support Email (Your email)
- c. Developer Contact Information (Your email)

5. For the app domain fields set it up as below.

#### App domain

To protect you and your users, Google only allows apps using OAuth to use Authorized Domains. The following information will be shown to your users on the consent screen.

Application home page

<http://localhost:3000>

Provide users a link to your home page

Application privacy policy link

<http://localhost:3000>



Provide users a link to your public privacy policy

Application terms of service link

<http://localhost:3000>

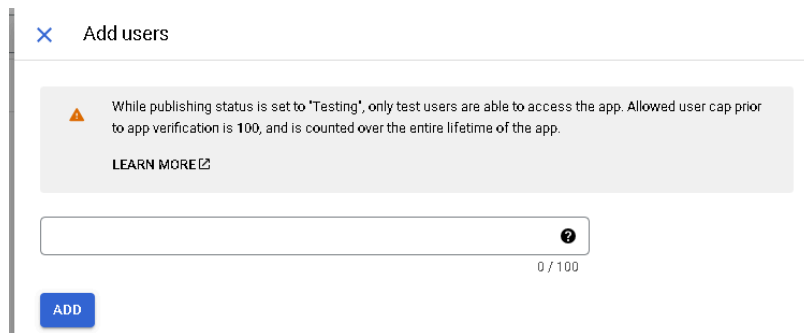
Provide users a link to your public terms of service

6. Under Scopes, click **Add or Remove scopes**, select the three following scopes and then hit **update**:

 API 	Scope	User-facing description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	.../auth/userinfo.email	See your primary Google Account email address
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	.../auth/userinfo.profile	See your personal info, including any personal info you've made publicly available
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	openid	Associate you with your personal info on Google

7. Save and continue

8. On the test users page click + Add Users and add your email as a test user. Ensure you **click out of the text box** before pressing **Add**.

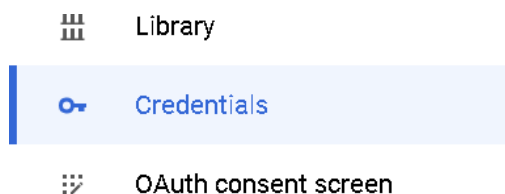


**NOTE** Ensure that the email you wish to sign in with is added to the above.

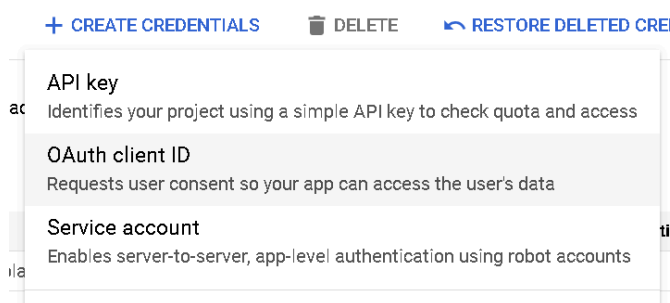
9. Save and continue

### Step 3.2 Creating OAuth Credentials:

1. Head over to the Credentials tab on the left hand side.



2. Click on Create Credentials, create and OAuth Client ID.



3. Set the Application type to a Web Application.

4. Set the Authorised Javascript Origins to:

<http://localhost:3000>

5. Set the Authorised Redirect URIs to:

<http://localhost:3000/api/auth/callback/google>

6. **Save your OAuth Client ID and Client secret as you will need this for the next step.**

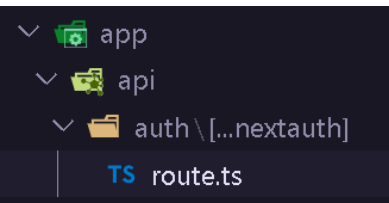
### Step 3.3 Installing & Configuring NextAuth:

1. You will need to install NextAuth.js. Run the following command:

```
npm install next-auth
```

2. Create a file within the App Directory.

```
src/app/api/auth/[...nextauth]/route.ts
```



3. Within this file we will set up NextAuth.js with the Google provider. The code for this is below:

```
import NextAuth from "next-auth/next";
import GoogleProvider from "next-auth/providers/google";

const handler = NextAuth({
  providers: [
    GoogleProvider({
      clientId: process.env.GOOGLE_CLIENT_ID ?? "",
      clientSecret: process.env.GOOGLE_CLIENT_SECRET ?? "",
    }),
  ],
});
```

```
export { handler as GET, handler as POST };
```

4. Navigate to the .env file you created in your root directory and add your google client ID and secret:

```
4 AWS_REGION=eu-west-1
5 GOOGLE_CLIENT_ID=
6 GOOGLE_CLIENT_SECRET=
```

### Step 3.4 Adding Components for Authentication:

1. We will create a **Sign In button Component**
  - a. Create a file called **SigninButton.tsx** in the **src/app/components/** directory:
  - b. The code within this is on the next page:

```
"use client";
import React from "react";
import { signIn, signOut, useSession } from "next-auth/react";
const SigninButton = () => {
  const { data: session } = useSession();

  if (session && session.user) {
    return (
      <div className="flex gap-4 ml-auto">
        <p className="text-sky-600">{session.user.name}</p>
        <button onClick={() => signOut()}
className="text-red-600">
          Sign Out
        </button>
      </div>
    );
  }
  return (
    <button onClick={() => signIn()} className="text-green-600
ml-auto">
      Sign In
    </button>
  );
};
```

```
};  
  
export default SigninButton;
```

2. We will now create a Providers component.

- a. Create a file called Providers.tsx in the **src/app/components/** directory.
- b. Insert the code:

```
"use client";  
import { SessionProvider } from "next-auth/react";  
import React, { ReactNode } from "react";  
  
interface Props {  
  children: ReactNode;  
}  
  
const Providers = (props: Props) => {  
  return <SessionProvider>{props.children}</SessionProvider>;  
};  
  
export default Providers;
```

3. Now that we have this, we can head over to the

**layout.tsx** file and import the providers file.

- a. First, Import the providers file into the file.

```
import "../globals.css";  
import Providers from "@components/Providers";
```

- b. Then scrolling down to the body of this file, we will wrap the providers around the app components and add a <AppBar />.

**NOTE** You may get an error. Don't worry, we will make the AppBar component next!

```
return (  
  <html lang="en">
```

```

    <body
      className={` ${geistSans.variable} ${geistMono.variable}
antialiased`}
    > <Providers>
      <AppBar />
      {children}
    </Providers>
  </body>
</html>
);

```

4. We will now create the AppBar component. Create a new tsx file under components

**src\app\components\AppBar.tsx**

a. Within this file we will insert the code:

```

import React from "react";
import SigninButton from "../SigninButton";

const AppBar = () => {
  return (
    <header className="flex gap-4 p-4 bg-gradient-to-b
from-white to-gray-200 shadow">
      <SigninButton />
    </header>
  );
};

export default AppBar;

```

You will need to head back to layout.tsx and import the AppBar.

```

import Providers from "@components/Provide
import AppBar from "@components/Appbar";
|

```

### Step 3.5 Protecting our Task Manager:

1. We will modify the page.tsx file to hide the Task Manager component when a user is not signed in:
  - a. Copy the following code into your page.tsx file.

```
"use client";
import TaskManager from '../components/taskmanager';
import { signIn, signOut, useSession } from "next-auth/react";

export default function Home() {

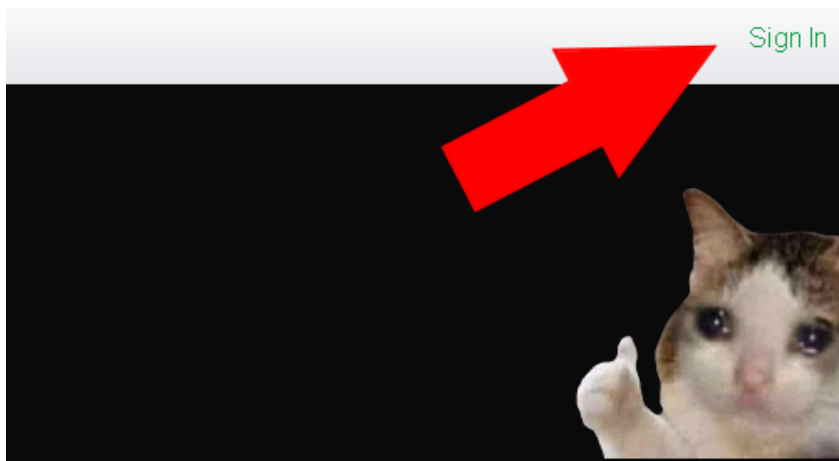
  const { data: session } = useSession();

  if (session && session.user) {
    return (
      <TaskManager />
    );
  }
}
```

2. Run your application and head to localhost:3000

```
npm run dev
```

3. Test that Auth works properly, you should see a sign in button at the top right.  
Congrats, your frontend is secure!





## Step 4: Creating a Synchronous Data Export API (10 mins)

### Step 4.1 Create the SendMessageSync Endpoint

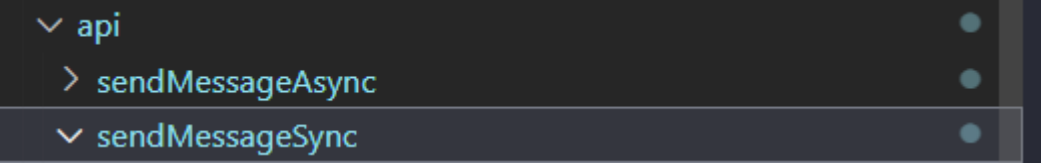
To begin, we are going to create a new folder in our API folder, where we previously added the **sendMessageAsync** endpoint.

**NOTE:** If you keep your local server running we don't need to re-run the

```
Npm run dev
```

command each time we make a change to our code, as next.js will re-compile and make the changes for you!

Call this folder **sendMessageSync**



```
▼ api
  > sendMessageAsync
  ▼ sendMessageSync
```

In this folder **create a route.ts** file and paste in the following code.

This file describes the POST request that will be called when we want to **export our data synchronously**.

```
import { NextRequest, NextResponse } from "next/server";

async function sleep(ms: number): Promise<void> {
  return new Promise((resolve) => setTimeout(resolve, ms));
}

export async function POST(req: NextRequest) {
  try {
    console.log("simulating a long process");
    console.log("exporting data...");

    const start = new Date().getTime();
    await sleep(10000);
```

```

let elapsed = new Date().getTime() - start;
const elapsedInt = Math.floor(elapsed / 1000);

console.log("data exported successfully!");
console.log("time taken to process: " + elapsedInt + "
seconds");

return NextResponse.json(
  {
    message: "data exported successfully in " + elapsedInt + "
seconds",
  },
  { status: 200 }
);
} catch (error) {
  console.error("error exporting data: ", error);
  return NextResponse.json(
    { error: "failed to export data" },
    { status: 500 }
  );
}
}

```

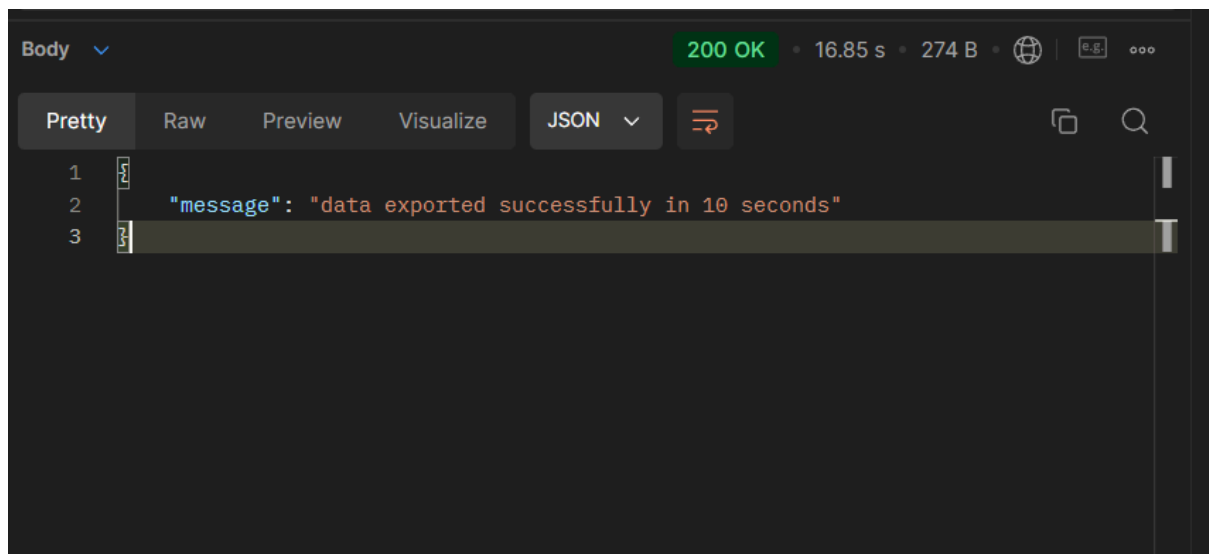
What does this code do?

- It creates an endpoint, that when called with some data, will simulate a long running process using `Await sleep(10000);`
- After "processing" for 10 seconds, this endpoint will then return successfully.

## Step 4.2 Testing the sendMessageSync endpoint we just made In Postman

Go back to Postman and create a new **POST** request and add the URL `http://localhost:3000/api/sendMessageSync` and now send - **no body required**.

After 10 seconds you should get a response, indicating that the data was exported successfully.



### Step 4.3 Hooking this endpoint up to our front-end

Now we want to hook this endpoint up to our front-end, so we are going to make some changes to the **taskmanager.tsx** file.

First, **remove everything** you had in that file previously and paste in the following code.

```
"use client";
import { useState, useEffect } from 'react';
import { CSSProperties } from 'react';

export default function TaskManager() {
  const [batchId, setBatchId] = useState<string | null>(null);
  const [batchStatus, setBatchStatus] = useState<string>("idle");
  const [batchContent, setBatchContent] = useState<string>("");

  const handleSubmit = async () => {
    const response = await fetch('/api/sendMessageAsync', {
      method: 'POST',
      headers: {
        'Content-Type': 'application/json',
      },
    });
```

```

    }).then(data => data.json());

    if (response.batchId) {
      setBatchId(response.batchId);
      setBatchStatus("in-progress");
      alert(`Message sent: ${response.batchId}`);
    } else {
      alert("Failed to send message to SQS");
    }
  };

const handleSubmitSync = async () => {

  const response = await fetch('/api/sendMessageSync', {
    method: 'POST',
    headers: {
      'Content-Type': 'application/json',
    },
  }).then(data => data.json());

  alert(JSON.stringify(response));
};

return (
  <div style={styles.wrapper}>
    <div style={styles.containerTwo}>
      <div style={styles.container}>
        <h1 style={styles.title}>Export Data
        Asynchronously:</h1>

        <button style={styles.button}
onClick={handleSubmit}>Send</button>
        {batchStatus === "in-progress" && <p
style={styles.title}>Processing...</p>}
        {batchStatus === "complete" && <p
style={styles.title}>Data: {batchContent}</p>}

        </div>

```



```

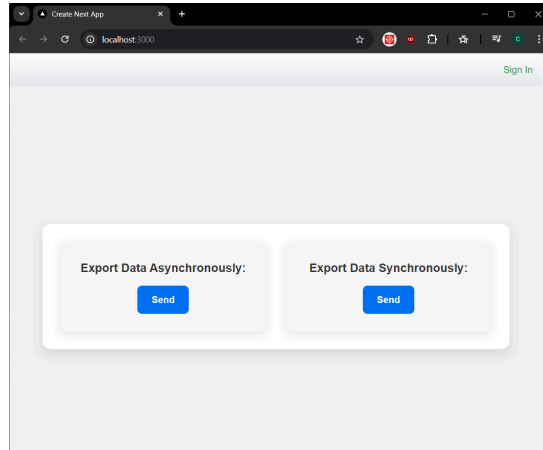
    width: '350px',
    boxShadow: '0 4px 12px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1)',
  },
  title: {
    fontSize: '20px',
    fontWeight: 'bold',
    marginBottom: '15px',
    color: '#333',
  },
  button: {
    padding: '12px 24px',
    backgroundColor: '#0070f3',
    color: '#fff',
    border: 'none',
    borderRadius: '8px',
    cursor: 'pointer',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    transition: 'background-color 0.3s ease',
  },
  buttonHover: {
    backgroundColor: '#005bb5',
  },
  statusInProgress: {
    marginTop: '20px',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    color: '#FFA500', // Orange for "in-progress"
  },
  statusComplete: {
    marginTop: '20px',
    fontSize: '16px',
    fontWeight: '600',
    color: '#28a745', // Green for "complete"
  },
};

```

What does this code do?

- Adds a new button to our front-end, so now we have two options for exporting our data
  1. Asynchronously - using the **sendMessageAsync** endpoint we made earlier
  2. Synchronously - using the **sendMessageSync** endpoint we just made!

Now our front-end should look like this:



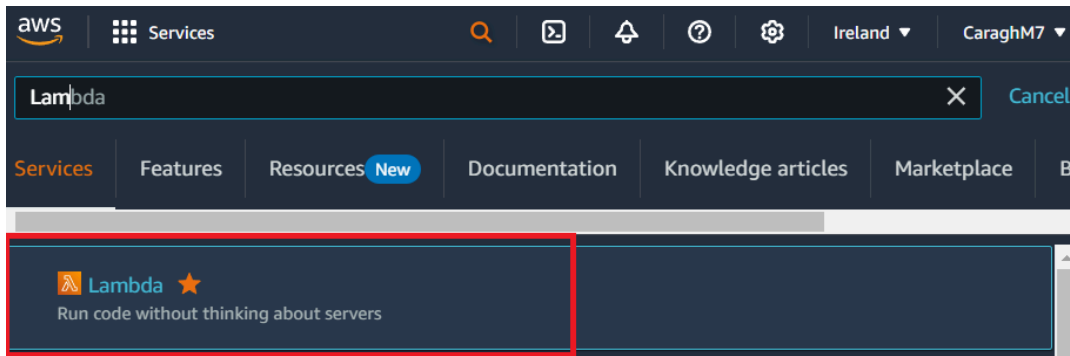
We are now finished with **Step 4**.

## Step 5: Setting up a Lambda to process Messages in our SQS Queue (25 mins)

Now that we have an endpoint that we can call to process our data synchronously, we can see that waiting 10 seconds for a response from the API is a **really long wait!** So we should use the Asynchronous endpoint so we get a response straight away, but at the minute all that endpoint is doing is **sending a message to the queue, not processing it!** So this is why we add a Lambda.

### Step 5.1 Creating a Lambda in the AWS Console

Go back to your AWS console and look up Lambda in the search bar.



Once on the lambda page, click the **Create function** button. When creating the lambda, select the following options for config

Choose one of the following options to create your function.

☒ **Author from scratch**  
Start with a simple Hello World example.

☐ **Use a blueprint**  
Build a Lambda application from sample code and configuration presets for common use cases.

☐ **Container image**  
Select a container image to deploy for your function.

### Basic information

**Function name**  
Enter a name that describes the purpose of your function.

queue-processor

Function name must be 1 to 64 characters, must be unique to the Region, and can't include spaces. Valid characters are a-z, A-Z, 0-9, hyphens (-), and underscores (\_).

**Runtime** [Info](#)  
Choose the language to use to write your function. Note that the console code editor supports only Node.js, Python, and Ruby.

Python 3.10

**Architecture** [Info](#)  
Choose the instruction set architecture you want for your function code.

☒ **x86\_64**

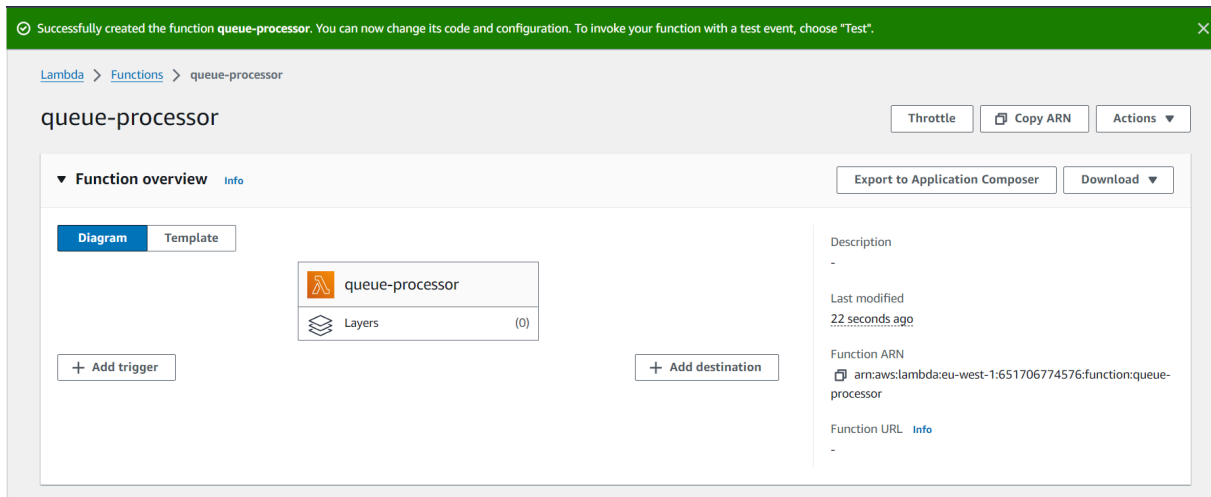
☐ arm64

**Permissions** [Info](#)  
By default, Lambda will create an execution role with permissions to upload logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs. You can customize this default role later when adding triggers.

Once you have these selected, hit **create function** at the bottom of the page.

Now you should be presented with this page to let you know it has been created successfully

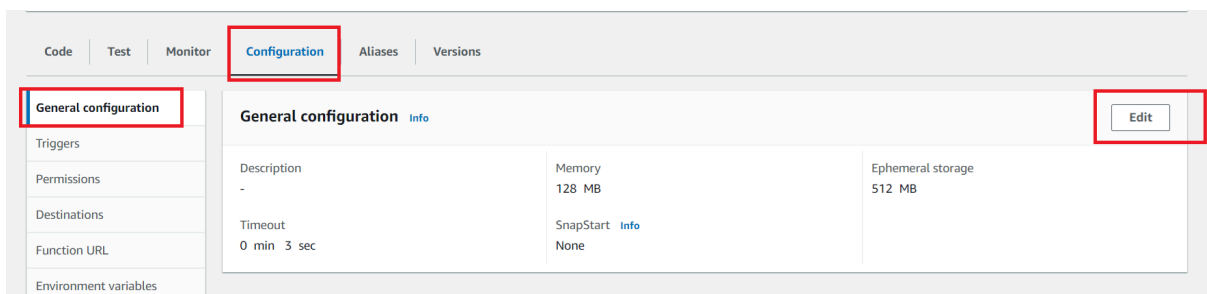




## Step 5.2 Changing default timeout of the lambda

We need to do this to allow the lambda to run for longer as we will be running long processing tasks in the lambda

Scroll down to the lambda options bar and click on **Configuration**. Then click on General Configuration and then **edit**



Then **only** change the **timeout** attribute to be 15 seconds and click save

Set memory to between 128 MB and 10240 MB

**Ephemeral storage** [Info](#)  
You can configure up to 10 GB of ephemeral storage (/tmp) for your function. [View pricing](#)

512 MB  
Set ephemeral storage (/tmp) to between 512 MB and 10240 MB.

**SnapStart** [Info](#)  
Reduce startup time by having Lambda cache a snapshot of your function after the function has initialized. To evaluate whether your function code is resilient to snapshot operations, review the [SnapStart compatibility considerations](#).

None

Supported runtimes: Java 11, Java 17, Java 21.

**Timeout**  
0 min 15 sec

**Execution role**  
Choose a role that defines the permissions of your function. To create a custom role, go to the [IAM console](#).

☒ Use an existing role  
☐ Create a new role from AWS policy templates

**Existing role**  
Choose an existing role that you've created to be used with this Lambda function. The role must have permission to upload logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

service-role/queue-processor-role-v2okptd5

[View the queue-processor-role-v2okptd5 role](#) on the IAM console.

Cancel Save

Done !

## Step 5.2 Adding SQS permissions to the lambda

Now we have to add some permissions to the lambda to read the messages from our queue

Click on **Configuration** again, then we are going to click on **Permissions** on the left, and then click on **role name**.

Code Test Monitor **Configuration** Aliases Versions

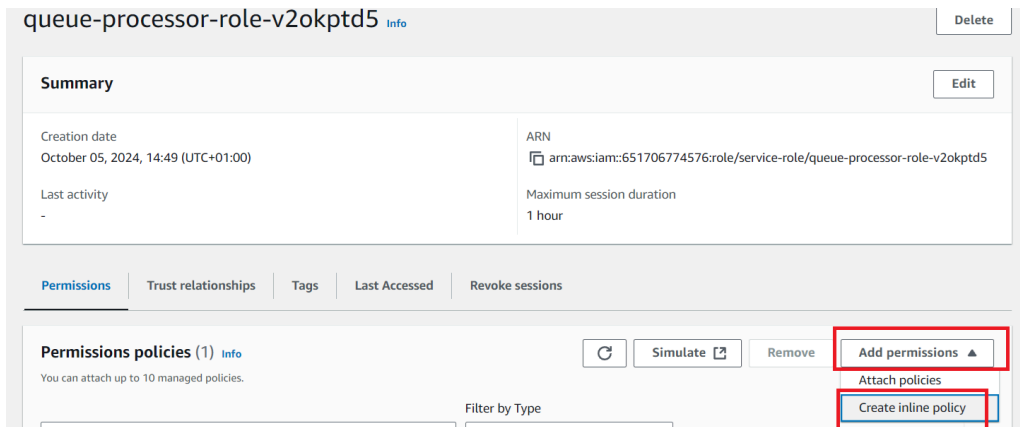
General configuration  
Triggers  
**Permissions**  
Destinations  
Function URL

**Execution role** [Refresh](#) [Edit](#) [View role docu](#)

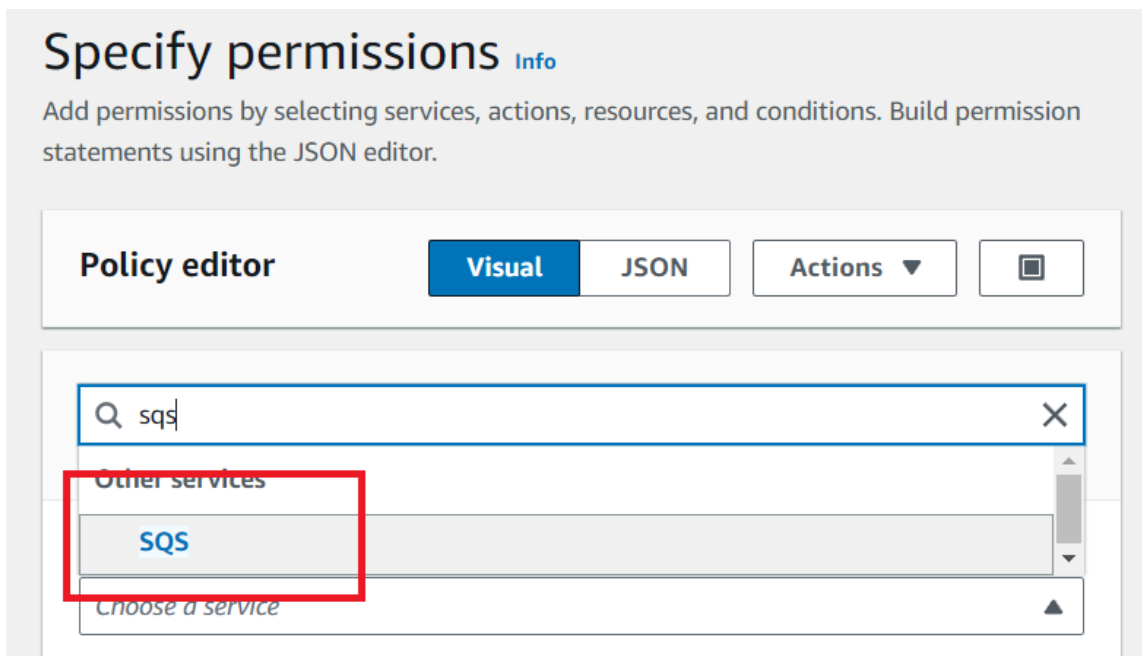
Role name  
queue-processor-role-v2okptd5 [View role](#)

**Resource summary**

This will bring you to the Access management page, where you have to scroll down and click **add permissions**, and then **create inline policy**



You will be brought to the **create policy** page, where you choose **SQS** as the service in the **Select a service** dropdown.



Once SQS is selected, scroll down and expand the **read** section and select **all read actions**, and do the same for the **write actions**

▼ **SQS**  
Allow 16 Actions

Specify what actions can be performed on specific resources in [SQS](#).

▼ **Actions allowed**

Specify actions from the service to be allowed.

Manual actions | [Add actions](#)

☐ All SQS actions (sqs:\*)

Access level [Expand all](#) | [Collapse all](#)

▼ **Read (Selected 7/7)**

☒ All read actions

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">GetQueueAttributes</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">GetQueueUrl</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ListDeadLetterSourceQueues</a> <small>Info</small>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ListMessageMoveTasks</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ListQueues</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ListQueueTags</a> <small>Info</small>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ReceiveMessage</a> <small>Info</small>		

▼ **Write (Selected 9/9)**

☒ All write actions

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">CancelMessageMoveTask</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">ChangeMessageVisibility</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">CreateQueue</a> <small>Info</small>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">DeleteMessage</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">DeleteQueue</a> <small>Info</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">PurgeQueue</a> <small>Info</small>

Effect  
☒ Allow ☐ Deny

Then scroll down to where the **resources** section is and and select **specific** if not auto-selected, and click **Add ARNs**

▼ **Resources**

Specify resource ARNs for these actions.

☐ All

☒ **Specific**

[queue](#) Info

⚠ Specified queue resource ARN for the **AddPermission** and 18 more actions.

[Add ARNs](#) to restrict access.

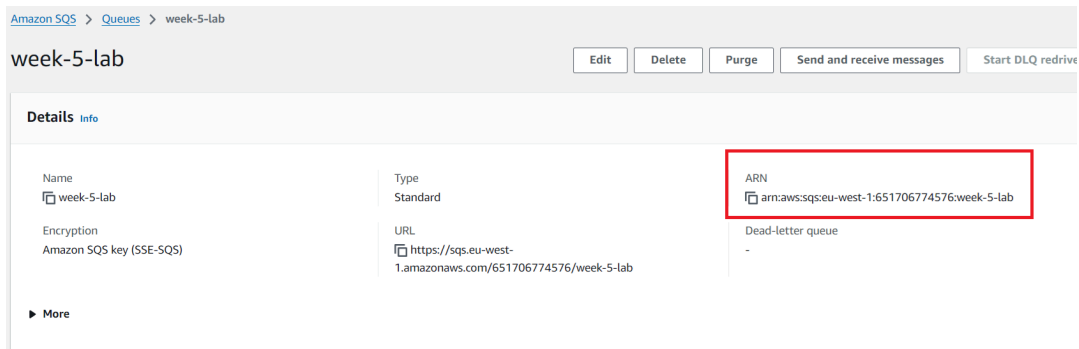
☐ Any in this account

► Request conditions - optional

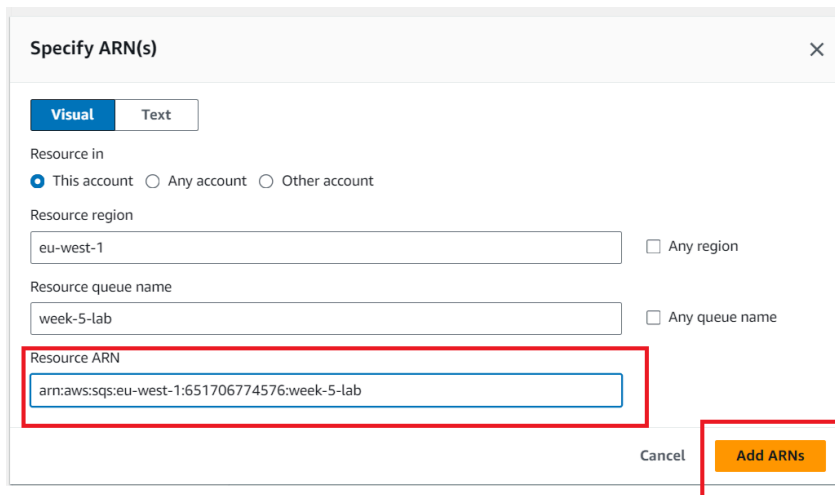
Now in here, you are going to paste the ARN of your SQS queue. So..

- Open a new tab in your browser, search AWS management console log in, then once in the console search **SQS** in the services search bar. (If we don't do this in a new tab we will lose our progress!)
- Once in the **SQS page** click on the **queue we made earlier**, and then copy the **ARN** displayed in the

**details** section.



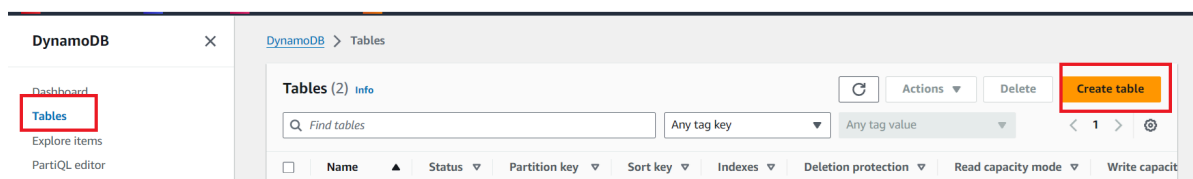
Once copied, **go back to the previous tab** where we were editing the policy, and paste into the **bottom input section** and click **Add ARN**



That's it for adding permissions for our queue, but don't hit next at the bottom of the page, as we now need to add permissions for the dynamo table!

### Step 5.3 Adding DynamoDB Permissions to our Lambda

In the tab where we got the SQS ARN, now look up **DynamoDB** in the services search bar, and go into the **Tables** section, and click **create table**.



Then configure the table as shown below and hit **create table** at the bottom of the page.

**Table details** [Info](#)

DynamoDB is a schemaless database that requires only a table name and a primary key when you create the table.

**Table name**  
This will be used to identify your table.  
  
Between 3 and 255 characters, containing only letters, numbers, underscores (\_), hyphens (-), and periods (.).

**Partition key**  
The partition key is part of the table's primary key. It is a hash value that is used to retrieve items from your table and allocate data across hosts for scalability and availability.  
   
1 to 255 characters and case sensitive.

**Sort key - optional**  
You can use a sort key as the second part of a table's primary key. The sort key allows you to sort or search among all items sharing the same partition key.  
   
1 to 255 characters and case sensitive.

We will be brought back to the tables page and now click on the **table you just created**. In your table page scroll down to **General Information**, click **additional information** and **copy that ARN**!

**General information** [Info](#)

<b>Partition key</b> requestID (String)	<b>Sort key</b> -	<b>Capacity mode</b> Provisioned	<b>Table status</b> Active
<b>Alarms</b> No active alarms	<b>Point-in-time recovery (PITR)</b> <a href="#">Info</a> Off	<b>Resource-based policy</b> <a href="#">Info</a> Not active	
<b>Additional info</b>			
<b>Table class</b> DynamoDB Standard	<b>Indexes</b> 0 globals, 0 locals	<b>DynamoDB stream</b> Off	<b>Time to Live (TTL)</b> <a href="#">Info</a> Off
<b>Replication Regions</b> 0 Regions	<b>Encryption</b> Owned by Amazon	<b>Date created</b> October 5, 2024, 15:42:35 (UTC+01:00)	<b>Deletion protection</b> Off
<b>Integrations</b> <a href="#">Info</a> 0			
<b>Amazon Resource Name (ARN)</b> <input type="text" value="arn:aws:dynamodb:eu-west-1:651706774576:table/my-logs-table"/>			

Now back again to the tab where we were editing the permissions (**last time I promise!!**) Under where you filled

out all the options for the SQS permissions, click **add more permissions**.

▶ Permissions management (2)

▶ Tagging (2)

▼ Resources

Specify resource ARNs for these actions.

☐ All

☒ Specific

queue

Info

arn:aws:sqs:eu-west-1:651706774576:user-data-q

☐ Any in this account

[Add ARNs](#) to restrict access.

▶ Request conditions - optional

Actions on resources are allowed or denied only when these conditions are met.

+ Add more permissions

🛡️ Security: 0

⚠️ Errors: 0

⚠️ Warnings: 0

💡 Suggestions: 0

Now we are going to **recreate** the steps we took to add permissions for SQS, so in short

- Select **DynamoDB** as the service
- Expand the **read section** and select **All read actions**
- Expand the **write section** and select **All read actions**
- Scroll down to the **Resources** section, click **specific** if not auto-selected, and then go to the **table section** and add the **ARN** (this is the one you copied when creating the Dynamo table)

▼ Resources

Specify resource ARNs for these actions.

☐ All

☒ Specific

backup	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified backup resource ARN for the <b>DeleteBackup</b> and 2 more actions.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
export	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified export resource ARN for the <b>DescribeExport</b> action.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
global-table	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified global-table resource ARN for the <b>CreateGlobalTable</b> and 5 more actions.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
import	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified import resource ARN for the <b>DescribeImport</b> action.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
index	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>You have not specified resource with type <b>index</b>.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
stream	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified stream resource ARN for the <b>DeleteResourcePolicy</b> and 5 more actions.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account
table	<a href="#">Info</a>	<div><div>⚠ Specified table resource ARN for the <b>BatchGetItem</b> and 47 more actions.</div><div><a href="#">Add ARNs</a> to restrict access.</div></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Any in this account

After **pasting the ARN** in the bottom input of the Add ARN window, scroll to the bottom of the permissions page and **click next**.

This will bring us to the **review and create page**, where we will add a name for this policy.

**Policy details**

**Policy name**  
Enter a meaningful name to identify this policy.  
  
Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+-=,@-.' characters.

**Permissions defined in this policy** [Info](#) [Edit](#)

Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it

**Allow (2 of 421 services)** ☐ Show remaining 419 services

Service	Access level	Resource	Request condition
<a href="#">DynamoDB</a>	Full: Write Limited: Read	Multiple	None
<a href="#">SQS</a>	Full: Read	Multiple	None

[Cancel](#) [Previous](#) [Create policy](#)

Now your lambda has permission to do cool stuff!



## Step 5.4 Adding our Lambda as a trigger to SQS

Now that our lambda has permission to read messages from our queue and also to write entries to our table, **we can add it as a trigger** on our queue.

### Why?

- So that when we add a message to our queue, this lambda will trigger and do some cool stuff automatically.

Now search again for SQS in the services search bar and click on your queue.

In here click on **Lambda triggers** and then on **Configure lambda function trigger**



Amazon SQS > Queues > user-data-q

user-data-q

Edit Delete Purge Send and receive messages Start DLQ redrive

Details Info

Name	Type	ARN
user-data-q	Standard	arn:aws:sqs:eu-west-1:651706774576:user-data-q
Encryption	URL	Dead-letter queue
Amazon SQS key (SSE-SQS)	https://sqs.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/651706774576/user-data-q	-

► More

SNS subscriptions **Lambda triggers** EventBridge Pipes Dead-letter queue Monitoring Tagging Queue policies Encryption Dead-letter queue redrive tasks

Lambda triggers (1) Info

View in Lambda Delete **Configure Lambda function trigger**

Search triggers

Click the **choose a function** drop down, and select the function we made earlier, and then hit **save**.

Amazon SQS > Queues > user-data-q > Trigger AWS Lambda function

Trigger AWS Lambda function Info

Search AWS Lambda function.

Enter AWS Lambda function ARN

Use existing resource

arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1:651706774576:function:queue-processor

When we hit save you are brought back to your queue overview page and should see this message!

✓ Lambda function arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1:651706774576:function:queue-processor is triggered when a message arrives in this queue.

Amazon SQS > Queues > user-data-q

user-data-q

Edit Delete Purge Send and receive messages Start DLQ redrive

Details Info

Name	Type	ARN
user-data-q	Standard	arn:aws:sqs:eu-west-1:651706774576:user-data-q
Encryption	URL	Dead-letter queue
Amazon SQS key (SSE-SQS)	https://sqs.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/651706774576/user-data-q	-

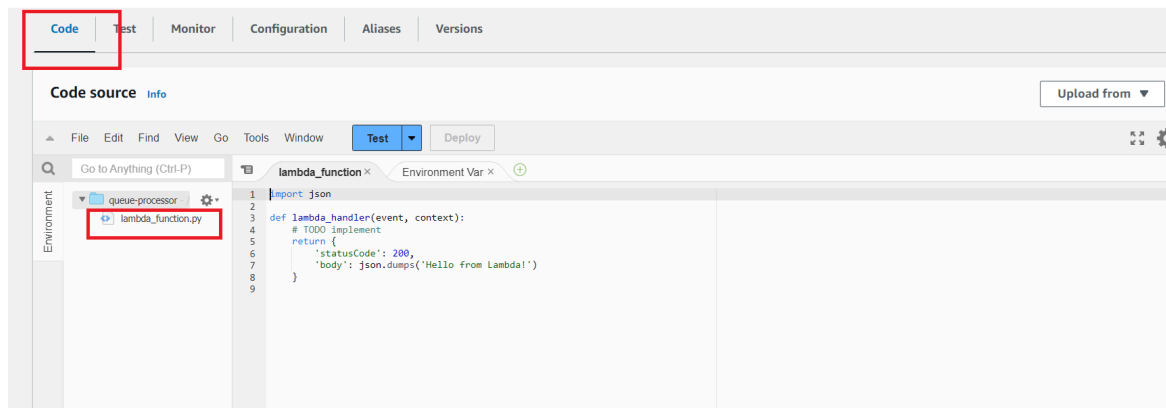
► More

Trigger done!

## Step 5.4 Adding code to our Lambda

Now that our lambda triggers when there is a message in the queue, our lambda actually has to do some stuff to process the message.

So go to **your Lambda**, scroll down to the **code** section where you will see the code displayed for the **lambda\_function.py** file.



In here paste the following code

```
import json, time, boto3, random

def lambda_handler(event, context):
    # Initialize DynamoDB client
    dynamodb_client = boto3.client("dynamodb")
    table_name = "my-logs-table"

    for record in event['Records']:
        exportedMessage = record['body']
        message_id = exportedMessage
        # Log consumption of the message
        print(f"Consuming from queue: {exportedMessage}")

        # Step 1: Set status to "In Progress" in DynamoDB
        try:
            dynamodb_client.put_item(
                TableName=table_name,
                Item={
                    "requestID": {"S": message_id},
                    "content_from_queue": {"S": exportedMessage},
```

```

        "status": {"S": "In Progress"},
        "time_stamp": {"S": str(time.time())},
    }

    )

    print(f"Request {message_id} set to In Progress")
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Failed to set status to In Progress for
{message_id}: {str(e)}")
        return {
            'statusCode': 500,
            'body': json.dumps({"error": str(e)})
        }

    # Simulate a long-running task
    timeStart = time.time()
    time.sleep(10)
    elapsedTime = time.time() - timeStart

    # Step 2: Update status to "Complete" in DynamoDB after
task completion
    try:
        dynamodb_client.update_item(
            TableName=table_name,
            Key={
                "requestID": {"S": message_id}
            },
            UpdateExpression="SET #s = :new_status, time_stamp
= :new_time, content_from_queue = :end_content",
            ExpressionAttributeNames={"#s": "status"},
            ExpressionAttributeValues={
                ":new_status": {"S": "Complete"},
                ":new_time": {"S": str(time.time())},
                ":end_content": {"S": exportedMessage}
            }
        )

        print(f"Request {message_id} set to Complete")
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Failed to update status to Complete for

```

```

{message_id}: {str(e)}")
    return {
        'statusCode': 500,
        'body': json.dumps({"error": str(e)})
    }

# Prepare output response
output = {
    "status": "data exported successfully!",
    "exportedMessage": exportedMessage,
    "elapsedProcessTime": elapsedTime,
}

print(output)

return {
    'statusCode': 200,
    'body': json.dumps(output)
}

```

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure the `table_name` variable in the code is set to the name of your dynamo table.

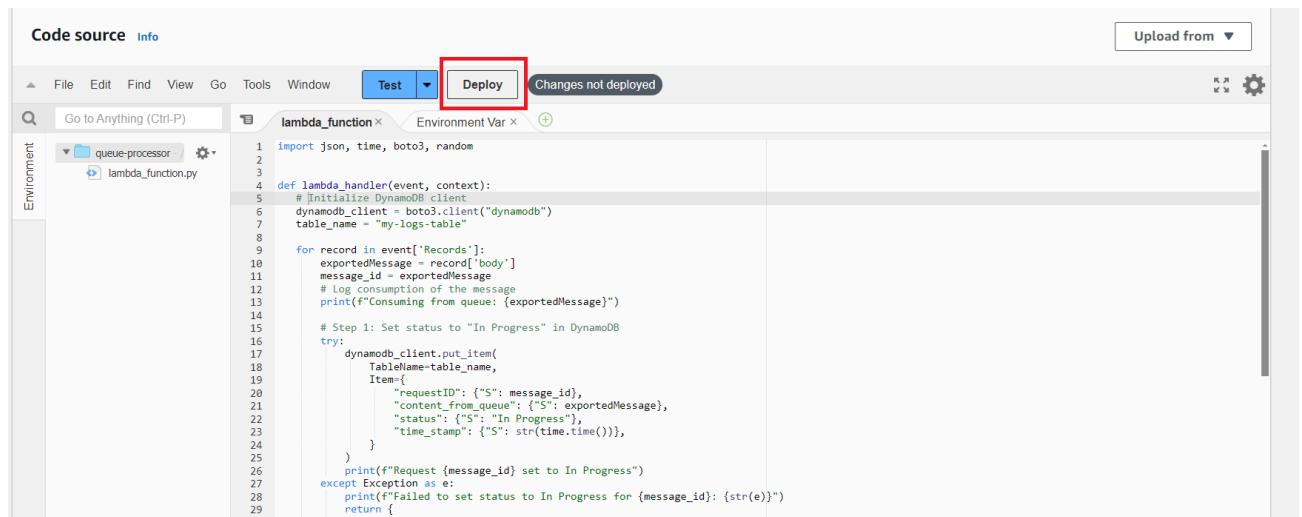
```
table_name = "my-logs-table"
```

And that the first key in the `Item` variable is the name of the partition key you created when setting up your dynamo table

```
Item={
    "requestID":
```

(if you used the names in the screenshots for your table & partition key you won't have to make any changes 😊)

Now the code is in there, we click **Deploy!**



### What does this code do?

- Prints the message sent in the queue to CloudWatch Logs
- Adds an entry to your dynamoDB table with fields such as the requestID, content\_from\_queue, timestamp and status. Status here is set to "In progress"
- Then the code then simulates a long running process (sleeping for 10 seconds)
- After the task is completed, the code updates the entry that was just made in your dynamoDB table with a status of "Complete"
- Then prints the lambda function output to the CloudWatch logs.

**LAMBDA DONE !**

## **Step 6: Testing that our Lambda works, viewing logs in CloudWatch and Viewing entries in Dynamodb Table (10 mins)**

This section is simple despite the big heading don't worry!

### **Step 6.1 Testing Lambda from the front end**

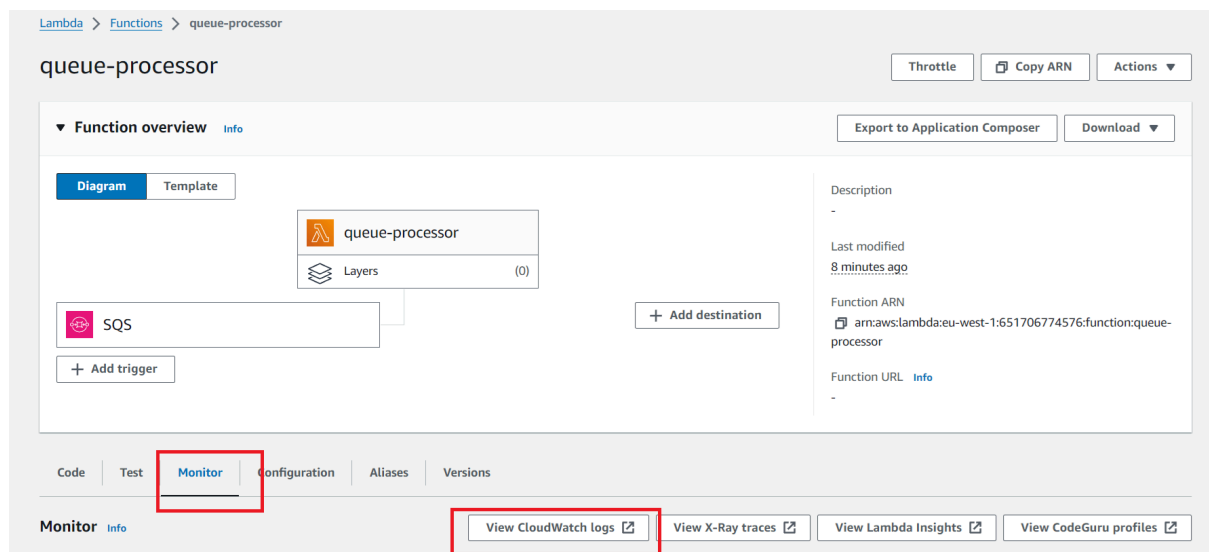
Head back to the localhost page in your browser - if you stopped running your local server, just head back to your IDE and run the command `npm run dev`

Now click the **Send** button in the **Export Data Asynchronously** box.

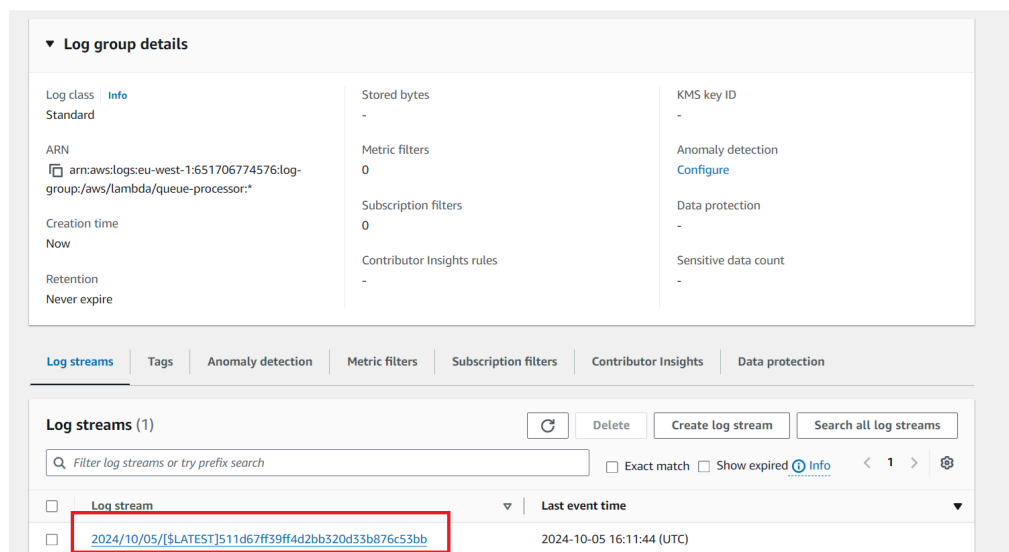
You should get back the success message from SQS, now to check that the lambda ran!

## Step 6.2 Viewing CloudWatch Logs

Head back to your Lambda page after sending a message using the Async Export Option front end and scroll down to the **Monitor Section**



This will bring you to the CloudWatch Log groups page. Scroll down and click the **very top log** (the one at the top is a log from your most recent message send to the queue)



Once you click into this log you will see **"consuming from queue"** that we printed in the lambda code.

Now you will have to **wait 10 seconds** for the rest of the logs to come through, as this lambda is running a long process! So **click refresh a few times**

The screenshot shows the AWS Lambda console 'Log events' page. The interface includes a search bar, filters (Clear, 1m, 30m, 1h, 12h, Custom), a UTC timezone dropdown, and a Display dropdown. The log events table has two columns: 'Timestamp' and 'Message'. The first event is 'INIT\_START Runtime Version: python:3.10.v44 Runtime Version ARN: arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1::runtime:76741dae0c08864e3cd3eb9...'. The second event is 'START RequestId: f24f1055-dc51-5de2-91c2-4f2e662ba7b0 Version: \$LATEST'. The third event, at timestamp 2024-10-05T22:06:07.449Z, is 'Consuming from queue: 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1' and is highlighted with a red box. Below it, another event at 2024-10-05T22:06:07.689Z is 'Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to In Progress' and is also highlighted with a red box.

Timestamp	Message
2024-10-05T22:06:05.386Z	INIT_START Runtime Version: python:3.10.v44 Runtime Version ARN: arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1::runtime:76741dae0c08864e3cd3eb9...
2024-10-05T22:06:05.753Z	START RequestId: f24f1055-dc51-5de2-91c2-4f2e662ba7b0 Version: \$LATEST
2024-10-05T22:06:07.449Z	Consuming from queue: 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1
2024-10-05T22:06:07.689Z	Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to In Progress

Then after 10 seconds, you **should see the results** from the long running process

- The status of the export being updated to "complete" (blue)
- The success response from the lambda itself (green)

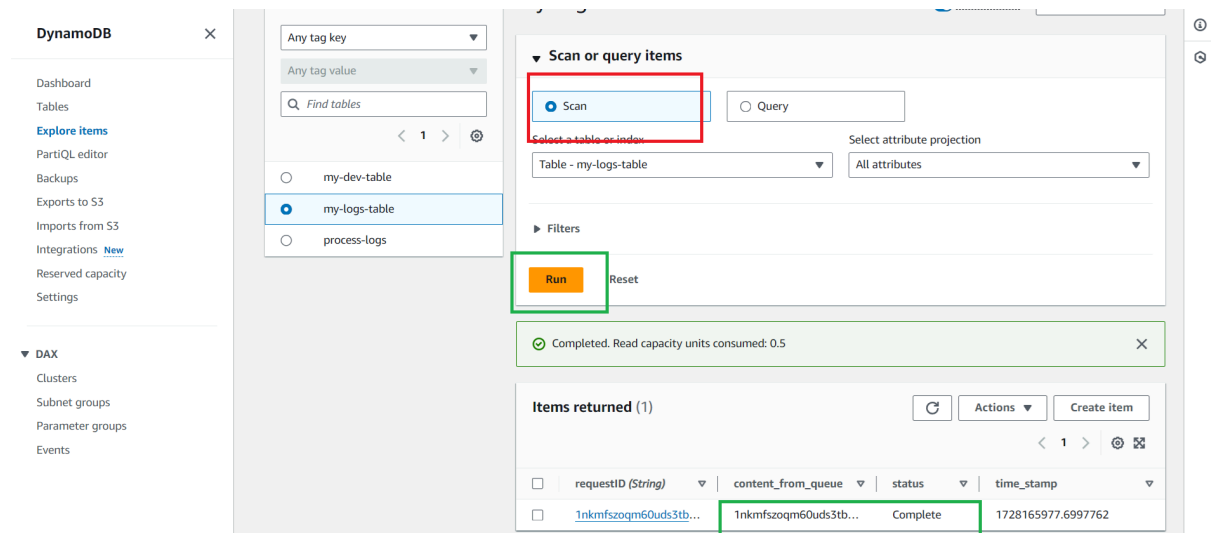
The screenshot shows the same AWS Lambda console 'Log events' page, but with additional events. The third event is still 'Consuming from queue: 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1'. The fourth event, at timestamp 2024-10-05T22:06:07.689Z, is 'Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to In Progress'. The fifth event, at timestamp 2024-10-05T22:06:17.729Z, is 'Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to Complete' and is highlighted with a blue box. The sixth event, at timestamp 2024-10-05T22:06:17.729Z, is a JSON object: {'status': 'data exported successfully!', 'exportedMessage': '1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1', 'elapsedProcessTime': 10.0102882385...} and is highlighted with a green box.

Timestamp	Message
2024-10-05T22:06:05.386Z	INIT_START Runtime Version: python:3.10.v44 Runtime Version ARN: arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1::runtime:76741dae0c08864e3cd3eb9...
2024-10-05T22:06:05.753Z	START RequestId: f24f1055-dc51-5de2-91c2-4f2e662ba7b0 Version: \$LATEST
2024-10-05T22:06:07.449Z	Consuming from queue: 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1
2024-10-05T22:06:07.689Z	Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to In Progress
2024-10-05T22:06:17.729Z	Request 1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1 set to Complete
2024-10-05T22:06:17.729Z	{'status': 'data exported successfully!', 'exportedMessage': '1nkmfszoqm60uds3tbqvc1', 'elapsedProcessTime': 10.0102882385...}

## Step 6.3 Viewing entries in the Dynamo table

Head to your Dynamo Table, and then click **explore table items**, then run a quick **scan** to see the items in your table.

You should see an entry with the **same message** as the one **from Cloudwatch**, with a **status of complete**



**STEP 6 DONE!**

## Step 7: Delivering the data to the user (10 mins)

**Step 7.1 Let's set up our frontend to poll for the completion of our request**

Replace your **taskmanager.tsx** file in its entirety with the following

```
"use client";
import { useState, useEffect } from 'react';
import { CSSProperties } from 'react';

export default function TaskManager() {
  const [batchId, setBatchId] = useState<string | null>(null);
  const [batchStatus, setBatchStatus] = useState<string>("idle");
```



```
const [batchContent, setBatchContent] = useState<string>("");

const checkStatus = async () => {
  if (batchId) {
    const response = await
fetch(`/api/checkStatus?batchId=${batchId}`);
    const data = await response.json();

    if (data.status === "Complete") {
      alert("Done!");
      setBatchStatus("complete");
      setBatchContent(data.content_from_queue);
    }
  }
};

const handleSubmit = async () => {
  const response = await fetch('/api/sendMessageAsync', {
    method: 'POST',
    headers: {
      'Content-Type': 'application/json',
    },
  }).then(data => data.json());

  if (response.batchId) {
    setBatchId(response.batchId);
    setBatchStatus("in-progress");
    alert(`Message sent: ${response.batchId}`);
  } else {
    alert("Failed to send message to SQS");
  }
};

const handleSubmitSync = async () => {

  const response = await fetch('/api/sendMessageSync', {
    method: 'POST',
    headers: {
      'Content-Type': 'application/json',
```

```

    },
  }).then(data => data.json());
  alert(JSON.stringify(response));
};

useEffect(() => {
  let interval: NodeJS.Timeout | null = null;

  if (batchStatus === "in-progress") {
    interval = setInterval(checkStatus, 2500);
  }

  return () => {
    if (interval) {
      clearInterval(interval);
    }
  };
}, [batchId, batchStatus]);

return (
  <div style={styles.wrapper}>
    <div style={styles.containerTwo}>
      <div style={styles.container}>
        <h1 style={styles.title}>Export Data Asynchronously:</h1>

        <button style={styles.button}
onClick={handleSubmit}>Send</button>
        {batchStatus === "in-progress" && <p
style={styles.title}>Processing...</p>}
        {batchStatus === "complete" && <p
style={styles.title}>Data: {batchContent}</p>}

      </div>

      <div style={styles.container}>
        <h1 style={styles.title}>Export Data Synchronously:</h1>
        <button style={styles.button}
onClick={handleSubmitSync}>Send</button>
      </div>
    </div>
  </div>
);

```

```

        </div>
    </div>
);
}
const styles: { [key: string]: CSSProperties } = {
  wrapper: {
    display: 'flex',
    justifyContent: 'center',
    alignItems: 'center',
    minHeight: '100vh',
    backgroundColor: '#f0f0f0',
    padding: '20px',
  },
  containerTwo: {
    display: 'flex',
    flexDirection: 'row',
    justifyContent: 'space-evenly',
    alignItems: 'center',
    gap: '2rem',
    backgroundColor: '#ffffff',
    padding: '30px',
    borderRadius: '15px',
    boxShadow: '0 8px 16px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1)',
  },
  container: {
    display: 'flex',
    flexDirection: 'column',
    justifyContent: 'center',
    alignItems: 'center',
    backgroundColor: '#f8f8f8',
    padding: '30px',
    borderRadius: '12px',
    width: '350px',
    boxShadow: '0 4px 12px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1)',
  },
  title: {
    fontSize: '20px',
    fontWeight: 'bold',

```

```

marginBottom: '15px',
color: '#333',
},
button: {
padding: '12px 24px',
backgroundColor: '#0070f3',
color: '#fff',
border: 'none',
borderRadius: '8px',
cursor: 'pointer',
fontSize: '16px',
fontWeight: '600',
transition: 'background-color 0.3s ease',
},
buttonHover: {
backgroundColor: '#005bb5',
},
statusInProgress: {
marginTop: '20px',
fontSize: '16px',
fontWeight: '600',
color: '#FFA500', // Orange for "in-progress"
},
statusComplete: {
marginTop: '20px',
fontSize: '16px',
fontWeight: '600',
color: '#28a745', // Green for "complete"
},
};

```

## Step 7.2 Creating our polling endpoint

And let's create our **checkStatus** route in **/api/checkStatus/route.tsx**

This route checks DynamoDB to see when the status has been set to **Complete**

We will need to run the following command to integrate dynamo into our project.

```
npm install @aws-sdk/client-dynamodb
```

```
import { DynamoDBClient, GetItemCommand } from
"@aws-sdk/client-dynamodb";
import { NextRequest, NextResponse } from "next/server";

const dynamodb = new DynamoDBClient({ region: "eu-west-1" });

export async function GET(req: NextRequest) {
  const { searchParams } = new URL(req.url);
  const batchId = searchParams.get("batchId");

  if (!batchId) {
    return NextResponse.json(
      { error: "batchId is required" },
      { status: 400 }
    );
  }

  try {
    const command = new GetItemCommand({
      TableName: "my-logs-table",
      Key: {
        requestID: { S: batchId },
      },
    });

    const response = await dynamodb.send(command);

    if (!response.Item) {
      return NextResponse.json({ error: "Batch not found" },
{ status: 404 });
    }
  }
}
```

```

    const status = response.Item.status.S;
    const data = {
      status: status,
      content_from_queue: response.Item.content_from_queue.S,
    };

    return NextResponse.json(data);
  } catch (error) {
    console.error("Error fetching batch status:", error);
    return NextResponse.json(
      { error: "Failed to fetch batch status" },
      { status: 500 }
    );
  }
}

```

With this, we are now able to observe the data going from a **Processing...** to a **Completed** state.

## Step 8: Securing our APIs (10 mins)

Our APIs are secured on the frontend as we are using the Nextauth library to control what our end user can and cannot see. However, **our backend remains vulnerable** as any malicious user could bypass this and send unauthorised requests directly to our api.

To ensure that our apis are protected, we need to ensure that all **API requests check for a session** and that the backend can verify the request before any data is processed.

### Step 8.1 Generating a NextAuth token

Run the following command in your terminal to generate a random Base64 string.

```
node -e
```

```
"console.log(require('crypto').randomBytes(32).toString('base64'))"
```

Next, copy the string from the terminal, we will be using this as an env variable for NextAuth.

## Step 8.2 Creating a new env variable

Head over to the .env file from before, create a new variable

```
NEXTAUTH_SECRET=[YOUR RANDOM BASE64 STRING]
```

## Step 8.3 Updating your nextAuth route

1. Head back to the file at  
**src\app\api\auth\[...nextauth]\route.ts**
2. Modify the file to use the nextauth secret.

```
import NextAuth from "next-auth/next";
import GoogleProvider from "next-auth/providers/google";

export const authOptions = {
  providers: [
    GoogleProvider({
      clientId: process.env.GOOGLE_CLIENT_ID ?? "",
      clientSecret: process.env.GOOGLE_CLIENT_SECRET ?? "",
    }),
  ],
  secret: process.env.NEXTAUTH_SECRET,
};

const handler = NextAuth(authOptions);

export { handler as GET, handler as POST };
```

## Step 8.4 Updating sendMessageAsync

1. We will head back into the route.ts for the sendMessageAsync and modify it to check the authOptions for the server session.
2. Copy the following code into your file at the path:  
**src\app\api\sendMessageAsync\route.ts**

```
import { SQSClient, SendMessageCommand } from "@aws-sdk/client-sqs";
import { NextRequest, NextResponse } from "next/server";
import { getServerSession } from "next-auth";
import { authOptions } from "../auth/[...nextauth]/route";

const sqs = new SQSClient({ region: "eu-west-1" });

const generateRandomLongID = () => {
  return Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15) +
    Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15);
}

export async function POST(req: NextRequest) {
  try {
    const session = await getServerSession(authOptions);

    if (!session) {
      return NextResponse.json(
        { error: "Unauthorized" },
        { status: 401 }
      );
    }

    const queueUrl = process.env.QUEUE_URL
    const randomId = generateRandomLongID()

    const command = new SendMessageCommand({
      QueueUrl: queueUrl,
      MessageBody: randomId,
    });

    const response = await sqs.send(command);

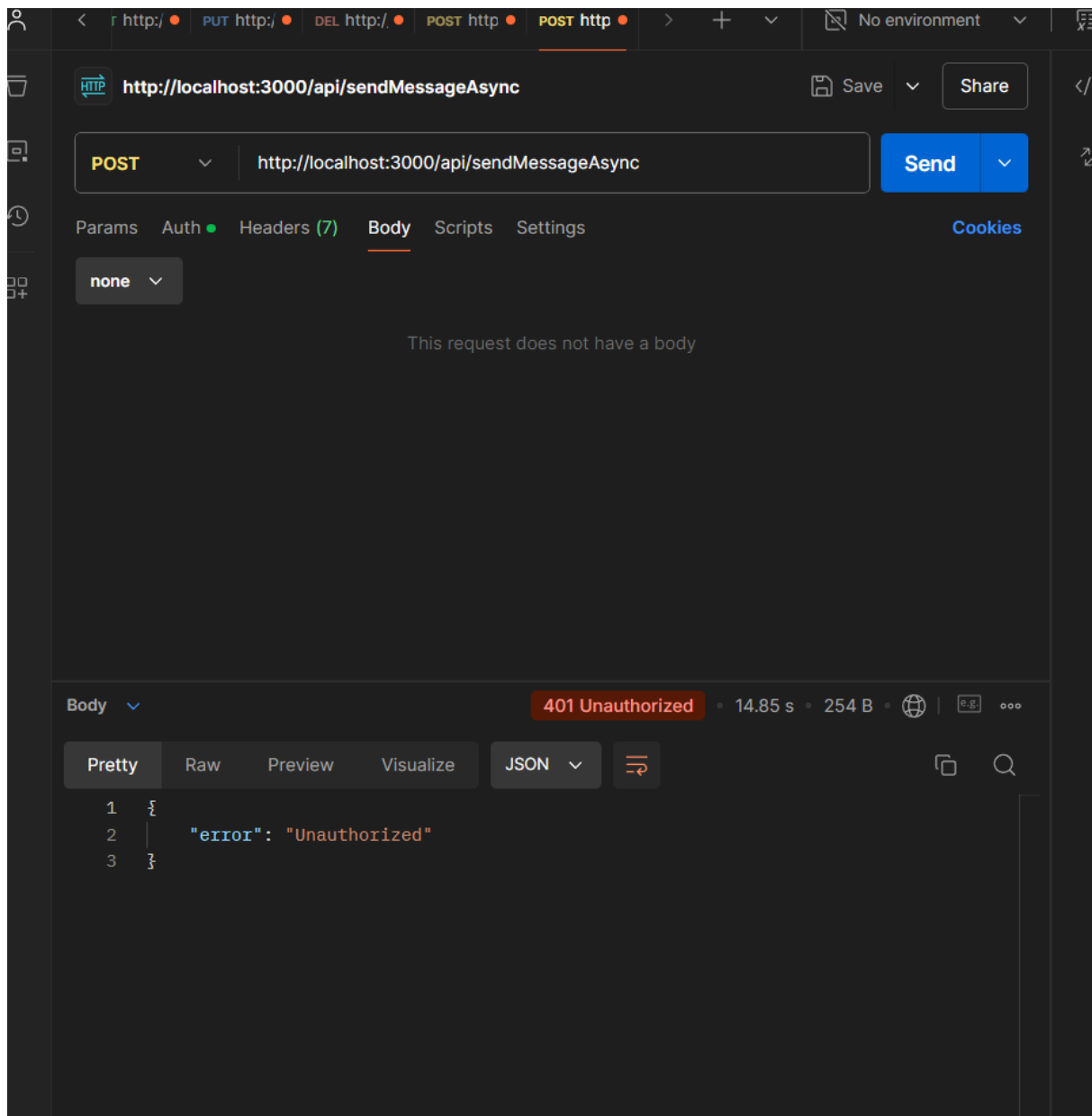
    return NextResponse.json({
      message: "Message sent to SQS",
      messageId: response.MessageId,
      batchId: randomId,
    });
  } catch (error) {
    console.error("Error sending message to SQS:", error);
    return NextResponse.json(
      { error: "Failed to send message to SQS" },
      { status: 500 }
    );
  }
}
```



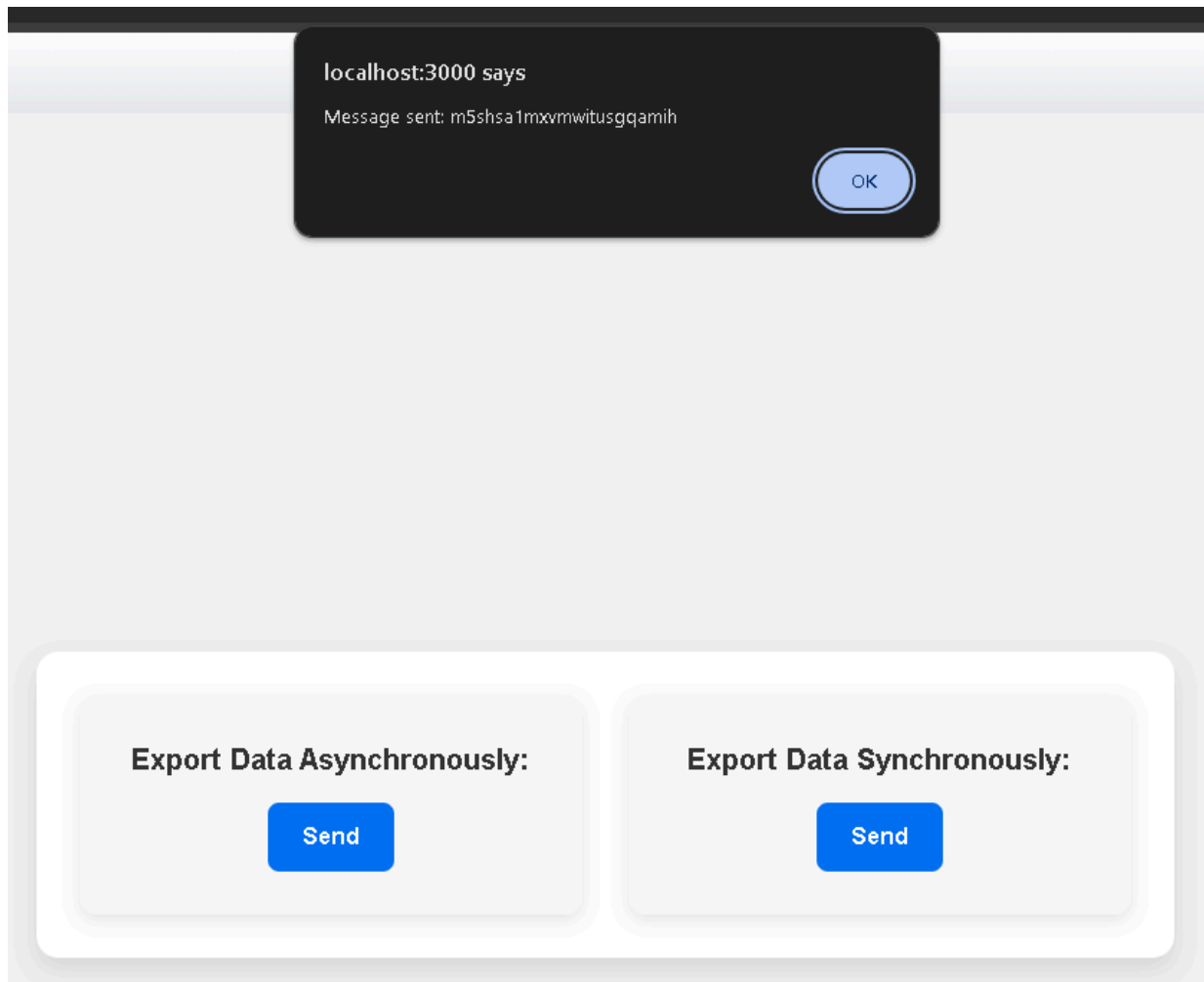
```
}  
}
```

## Step 8.5 Testing Endpoint

1. Now that our api backend is checking for a session before proceeding with the request, we can test this in postman. Where we should expect to get an unauthorised request.



And if we test this endpoint after logging into our webpage:



## FINAL STEP ⚠️

Please make sure to DELETE the access keys you made on AWS console (look at step 2.3 to find where they are)

### Why?

- Because if anyone were to get these keys somehow, they would be able to access literally every resource on your AWS account programmatically, and could cost you thousands 😊

---

### Tools/Software Required:

- **Development:**
    - An IDE of your choice
    - Typescript, Python & Node
    - Next.js
    - AWS SDK for Java
  - **Containers & Testing:**
    - Postman (for API testing)
  - **AWS Services:**
    - AWS SQS
    - AWS Lambda
    - AWS DynamoDB
  - **Authentication:**
    - Google Developer Console (for OAuth 2.0)
  - **Front-End Development:**
    - HTML/CSS/JavaScript or a front-end framework (e.g., React, Angular)
  - **Additional Tools:**
    -
- 

### Expected Outcomes:

By the end of this lab, students will:

- **Authentication & Authorization:**
  - Successfully implement OAuth 2.0 using Google Sign-In.
  - Securely pass OAuth tokens to authorise requests to the data export API.
- **API Development:**
  - Develop a synchronous data export API that simulates long-running processes.
  - Refactor the synchronous API into an asynchronous one using AWS SQS and Lambda.
- **AWS Integration:**
  - Utilise AWS SQS for queuing export requests.
  - Implement AWS Lambda functions to process export requests.
  - Log all requests and results in DynamoDB.
- **Front-End Development:**
  - Develop a front-end UI that displays export options only to authenticated users.
  - Successfully pass OAuth tokens from the UI to the back-end.
- **Performance Analysis:**
  - Understand and compare the performance differences between synchronous and asynchronous API handling.

- Manage long-running tasks securely and efficiently in a real-world scenario.