



Chalice

AWS Lambda microframework



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Service



Function



Application
(Instance)



Virtual
Machine (OS)



Server
(Hardware)



Network
infrastructure

Data center

Consumer

Dedicated

Consumer

Provider

IaaS

Consumer

Provider

PaaS

Consumer

Provider

Serverless

Consumer

Provider

SaaS

Consumer

Provider

Examples



IaaS	PaaS	Serverless
EC2	Elastic Beanstalk	Lambda
Compute Engine	App Engine	Cloud Functions
Virtual Machines	App Service	Functions
Rackspace	Heroku	Apache OpenWhisk

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- ★ Started in Nov 2014
- ★ Python, JavaScript (Node.js), Java, C# (.NET)
- ★ Python 2.7 i 3.6 (added in Apr 2017)
- ★ RAM: 128 MB - 1536 MB
- ★ CPU: ? (more MB -> more GHz)
- ★ Event-driven
 - Internal events
 - API Gateway



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```
from time import time
```

```
import os
```

```
def lambda_handler(event, context):
```

```
    start = time()
```

```
    response = {
```

```
        'event': event,
```

```
        'context': vars(context),
```

```
        'environ': dict(os.environ),
```

```
    }
```

```
    del response['context']['identity']
```

```
    print('EXEC TIME: {:.2f} ms'.format((time() - start) * 1000))
```

```
    return response
```



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```
{
  "event": {},
  "context": {
    "aws_request_id": "3cc979b0-3d8d-11e8-9deb-973978474979",
    "log_group_name": "/aws/lambda/lambda-demo",
    "log_stream_name": "2018/04/11/[$LATEST]7fd62d99a7bc48d984a4dfd68dbdcabc",
    "function_name": "lambda-demo",
    "memory_limit_in_mb": "128",
    "function_version": "$LATEST",
    "invoked_function_arn": "arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1:886388930953:function:lambda-demo",
    "client_context": null
  },
  "environ": {
    "PATH": "/var/lang/bin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/bin",
    "LANG": "en_US.UTF-8",
    "LAMBDA_RUNTIME_DIR": "/var/runtime",
    "AWS_REGION": "eu-west-1",
    ...
  }
}
```



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Lambda > Functions > lambda-demo ARN - arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1:886388930953:function:lambda-demo

lambda-demo

Throttle Qualifiers Actions demo Test Save

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lambda-demo

API Gateway × Amazon CloudWatch Logs

Add triggers from the list on the left Resources the function's role has access to will be shown here

Function code [Info](#)

Code entry type Edit code inline Runtime Python 3.6 Handler [Info](#) lambda_function.lambda_hanc

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Environment

- lambda-demo
 - lambda_function.py

lambda_function.py

```
1 from time import time
2 import os
3
4 def lambda_handler(event, context):
5     start = time()
6     response = {
7         'event': event,
8         'context': vars(context),
```

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Python Serverless Microframework for AWS

- ★ Helps in endpoint declaration
- ★ Simplifies access to HTTP request
- ★ Automatically creates IAM policy
- ★ Deployment tool
- ★ Local server
- ★ Logs viewer



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Installation

```
mkvirtualenv --python=`which python3` chalice  
pip install chalice awscli  
aws configure  
chalice new-project demo  
cd demo
```



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```
import os
from time import time
from chalice import Chalice
```

```
app = Chalice(app_name='demo')
```

```
@app.route('/')

```

```
def index():
    start = time()
    response = {
        'request': app.current_request.to_dict(),
        'environ': dict(os.environ),
    }
    print('EXEC TIME: {:.2f} ms'.format((time() - start) * 1000))
    return response
```




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★ Run locally

```
chalice local --port=8080
```

★ Deploy

```
chalice deploy
```

```
(chalice) sargo@prv:~/workspace/demo $ chalice deploy
```

```
Creating deployment package.
```

```
Updating policy for IAM role: demo-dev
```

```
Updating lambda function: demo-dev
```

```
Creating Rest API
```

```
Resources deployed:
```

```
- Lambda ARN: arn:aws:lambda:eu-west-1:886388930953:function:demo-dev
```

```
- Rest API URL: https://6xa33b359a.execute-api.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/api/
```

```
(chalice) sargo@prv:~/workspace/demo $
```



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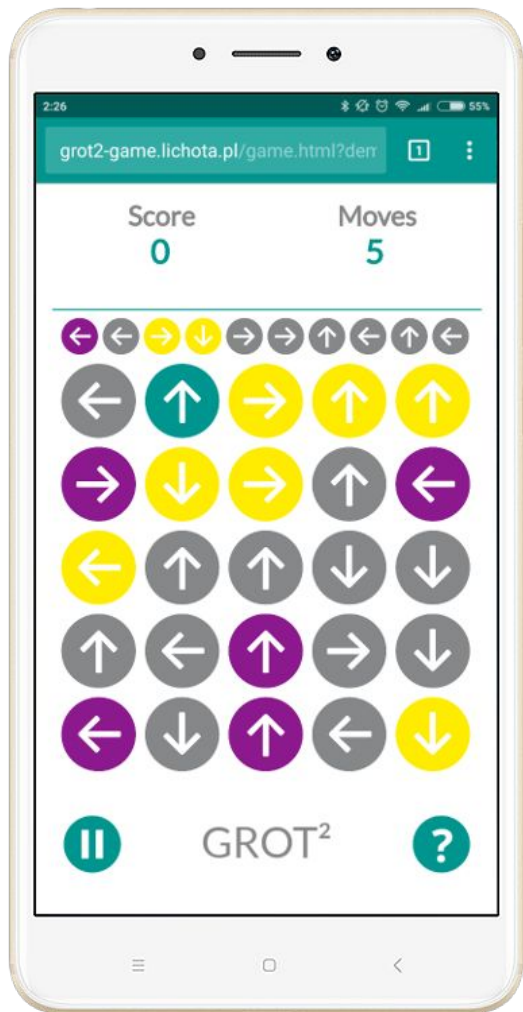
```
{
  "request": {
    "query_params": null,
    "headers": {},
    "uri_params": null,
    "method": "GET",
    "context": {
      "path": "/",
      "stage": "test-invoke-stage",
      "identity": {
        "apiKey": "test-invoke-api-key",
        ...
      },
      "resourcePath": "/",
      "httpMethod": "GET",
      "extendedRequestId": "test-invoke-extendedRequestId",
    },
    "stage_vars": null
  },
  "environ": {
    ...
  }
}
```

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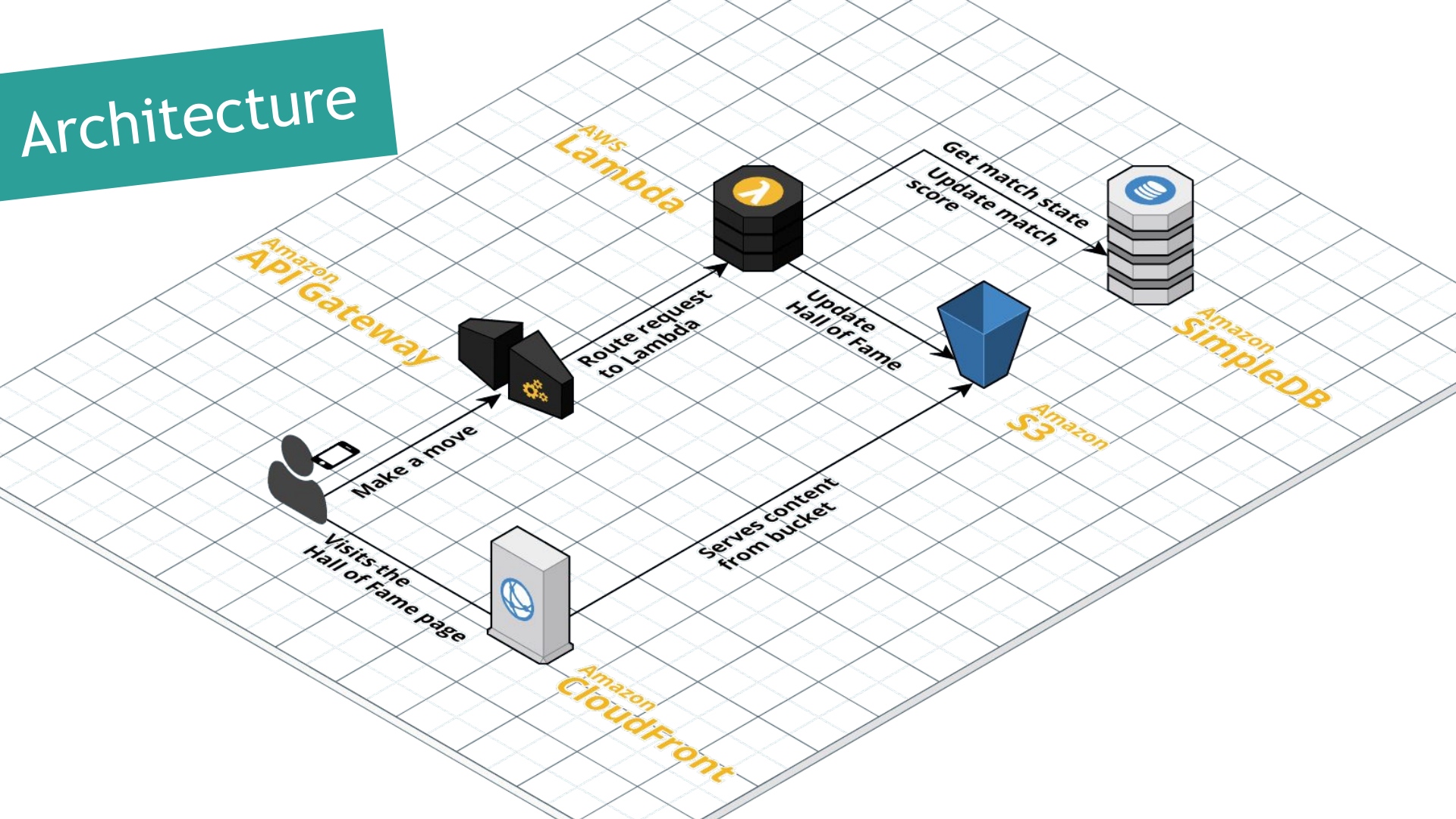


GROT² game

<http://bit.ly/grot-2>

<https://github.com/sargo/grot2>

Architecture





```
import os

from chalice import Chalice, CORSConfig, BadRequestError
from chalicelib import s3, sdb, settings

app = Chalice(app_name='demo')
app.debug = settings.DEBUG

cors_config = CORSConfig(
    allow_origin=os.environ.get(
        'CORS_ALLOW_ORGIN', settings.CORS_ALLOW_ORGIN),
    max_age=86400,
)
```



```
@app.route(
    '/match/{match_id}',
    methods=['POST'],
    cors=cors_config,
    api_key_required=True,
)
def make_move(match_id):
    api_key = app.current_request.context['identity']['apiKey']
    match = sdb.get_match(api_key, match_id)
    data = app.current_request.request.json_body
    if 'row' not in data or 'col' not in data:
        raise BadRequestError('row or col is missing')
    match.start_move(data['row'], data['col'])
    if not match.is_active():
        s3.update_hall_of_fame(match)
    return match.get_state()
```

Tips

- ★ Decrease communication with external services because you're paying for wait time
- ★ Increase RAM (increase GHz) until most of request will take less than 100ms
- ★ Set Usage Plan in API Gateway limit number of requests

Tips

- ★ Combine rarely used functions with often used ones to decrease chance of lambda warm up
- ★ Use CloudWatch to configure alerts and monitor execution times
- ★ Check Zappa (WSGI on AWS Lambda)

Summary

- ★ Chalice simplifies writing “Lambdas” and deploying them
- ★ Chalice is mainly focused on API applications based on API Gateway
- ★ Using Chalice you will become fully dependent on AWS (vendor lock-in)

THANK YOU!

