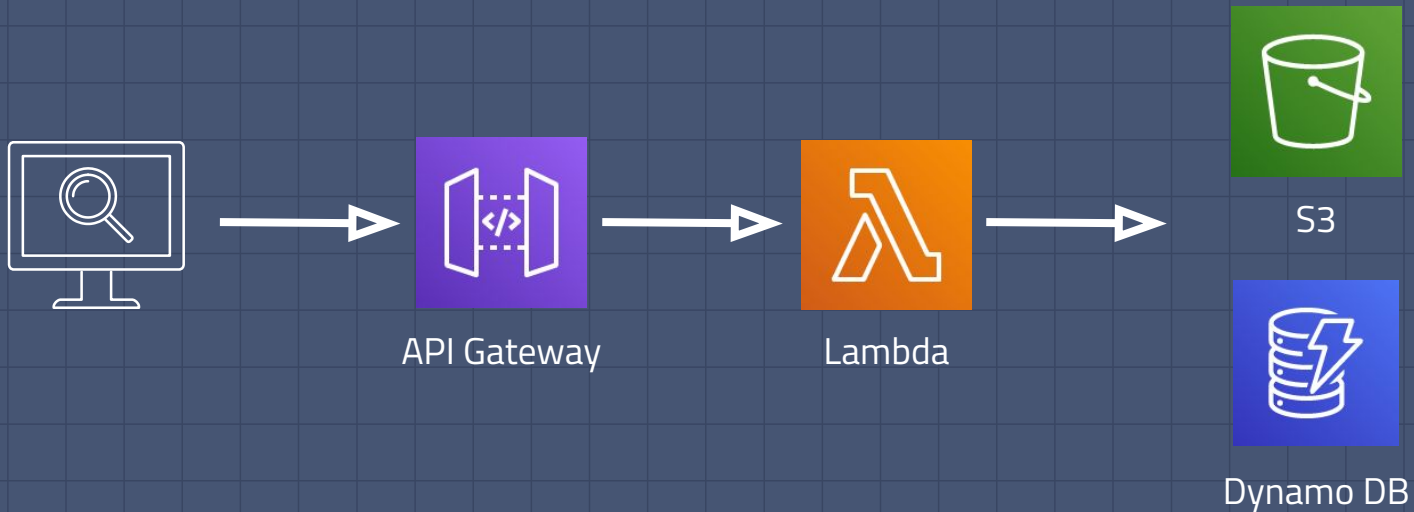


# Build a Modern API with AWS

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# \$whoami

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- *DEVOPS*
- *CYBER*

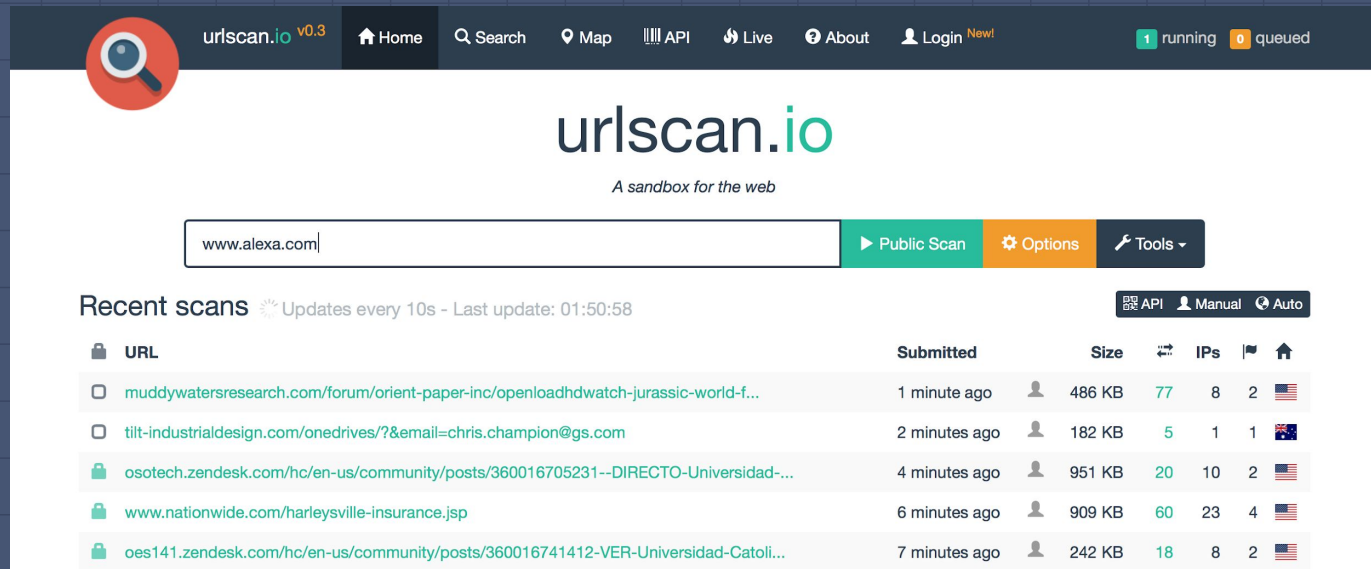
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# Background

- Interned in KeyBank SOC
- Automated parts of phishing response
- URLScan.io
  - Screenshot
  - HTTP Requests
  - IPs/ASNs contacted

# Background



The screenshot shows the urlscan.io website interface. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with the urlscan.io logo (a magnifying glass over a globe) and the version number v0.3. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Search, Map, API, Live, About, and Login (with a "New!" badge). On the right side of the navigation bar, there are status indicators: "1 running" and "0 queued".

Below the navigation bar, the main content area features the urlscan.io logo and the tagline "A sandbox for the web". A search input field contains the URL "www.alexia.com". To the right of the input field are three buttons: "Public Scan", "Options", and "Tools".

Below the search bar, there is a section titled "Recent scans" with a refresh icon and the text "Updates every 10s - Last update: 01:50:58". On the right side of this section, there are three icons: a gear for "API", a person for "Manual", and a refresh icon for "Auto".

The "Recent scans" section contains a table with the following columns: "URL", "Submitted", "Size", "IPs", and "Flags". The table lists several recent scans with their corresponding details.

URL	Submitted	Size	IPs	Flags
<a href="https://muddywatersresearch.com/forum/orient-paper-inc/openloadhdwatch-jurassic-world-f...">muddywatersresearch.com/forum/orient-paper-inc/openloadhdwatch-jurassic-world-f...</a>	1 minute ago	486 KB	77	8 2
<a href="https://tilt-industrialdesign.com/onedrives/?&amp;email=chris.champion@gs.com">tilt-industrialdesign.com/onedrives/?&amp;email=chris.champion@gs.com</a>	2 minutes ago	182 KB	5	1 1
<a href="https://osotech.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/community/posts/360016705231--DIRECTO-Universidad-...">osotech.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/community/posts/360016705231--DIRECTO-Universidad-...</a>	4 minutes ago	951 KB	20	10 2
<a href="https://www.nationwide.com/harleystown-insurance.jsp">www.nationwide.com/harleystown-insurance.jsp</a>	6 minutes ago	909 KB	60	23 4
<a href="https://oes141.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/community/posts/360016741412-VER-Universidad-Catoli...">oes141.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/community/posts/360016741412-VER-Universidad-Catoli...</a>	7 minutes ago	242 KB	18	8 2



# portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca

Lookup

Go To

Report

Rescan

142.213.185.151

Submitted URL: <https://Portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca>Effective URL: <https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca/logon/LogonPoint/tmindex.html>

Submission: On March 27 via automatic, source certstream-suspicious (March 27th 2019, 9:37:44 pm)



Summary



35



1

Behaviour



Similar

83



Content



API

## Summary

This website contacted 2 IPs in 1 countries across 1 domains to perform 35 HTTP transactions.

The main IP is 142.213.185.151, located in Québec, Canada and belongs to BACI - Bell Canada, CA. The main domain is [portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca](https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca).

The TLS certificate was issued by Entrust Certification Authority - L1K on July 13th 2018 with a validity of 2 years.

This is the first time this domain was scanned on urlscan.io!

83 structurally similar pages on different IPs, domains and ASNs found [Show Scans](#) 89

Domain created: October 23rd 2000, 10:43:54 (UTC)

Domain registrar: A.R.C. Informatique Inc.

Current Google Safe Browsing status: [Clean](#)

## Domain & IP information

IP/ASNs

IP Detail

(Sub)Domains

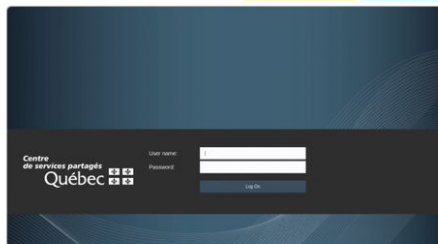
Domain Tree

Links

Certificates

	IP Address	AS Autonomous System
1 → 36	142.213.185.151	11489 (BACI - Bell Canada)
35	2	

## Screenshot

[Live screenshot](#)[Full image](#)

## Detected technologies




- Hammer.js** (JavaScript Frameworks) [Website](#)
- jQuery** (JavaScript Frameworks) [Website](#)
- Apache** (Web Servers) [Website](#)

## Stats

35	0	0	0%	0%
Requests	Ad-blocked	Malicious	HTTPS	IPv6
1	1	2	1	1,392kB
Domains	Subdomains	IPs	Countries	Transfer
1,379kB	0			

# 35 HTTP transactions

1 data transactions





Method	Resource	Size	Time	Type	
Protocol	Status	Path	x-fer	Latency	MIME-Type
 GET	200	<a href="#">tmindex.html</a>	49 KB	552ms	Document
H/1.1	OK	/logon/LogonPoint	49 KB	117ms	text/html
		<b>Redirect Chain</b>			
		▪ <a href="https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca/">https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca/</a> →			
		▪ <a href="https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca/logon/LogonPoint/tmindex.html">https://portailweb.it.cspq.gouv.qc.ca/logon/LogonPoint/tmindex.html</a>			
 GET	200	<a href="#">wspinner@2x.gif</a>	2 KB	666ms	Image
H/1.1	OK	/logon/LogonPoint/receiver/images/common	3 KB	115ms	image/gif
 GET	200	<a href="#">ctxs.large-ui.min.css</a>	106 KB	222ms	Stylesheet
H/1.1	OK	/logon/LogonPoint/receiver/css	107 KB	113ms	text/css

# HTTP Info

- Runs in a Docker container
- Selenium
  - Drive the browser
  - Screenshot
- Browsermob Proxy
  - Record HTTP requests and responses
  - Export to CSV



# HTTP Info

becksteadn Update README.md		Latest
 <a href="#">.gitignore</a>	Initial commit	
 <a href="#">Dockerfile</a>	csv and hashes	
 <a href="#">README.md</a>	Update README.md	
 <a href="#">getinfo.py</a>	csv and hashes	

## README.md

## HTTP-Info

Homebrewed urlscan.io in a docker container. Screenshot a website and log we

## Features

- Screenshots the homepage
- Records URL, method, status code, MIME type, and content size of every H
- Calculates SHA-256 hash of response bodies

```
Request URL: https://scriptingis.life/
Request Method: GET
Response Status: 200
Reponse Size: 5386
Content Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
SHA256 Sum: eac29b75557e9198eba1e15da4f0d995c62e0a9c62ecc5f156cd5b52c5462bf7
```

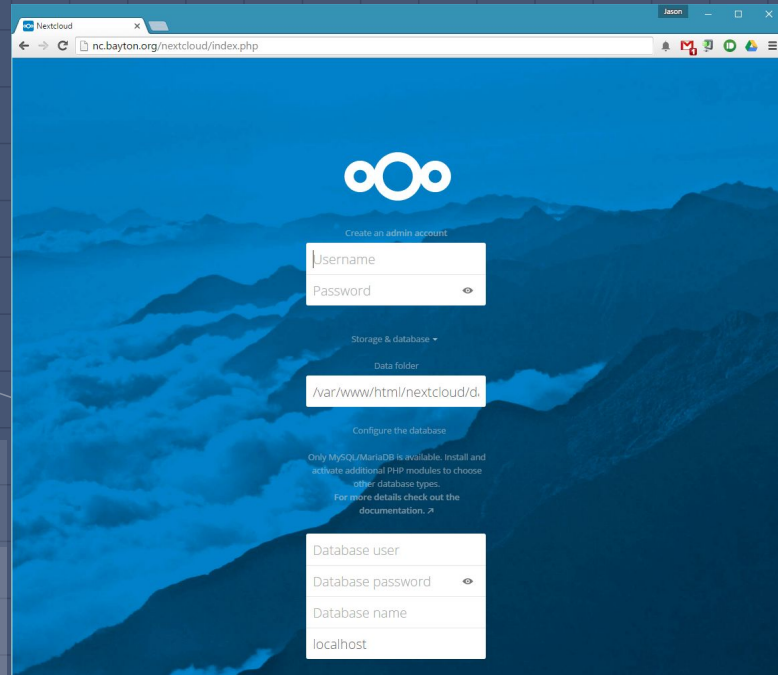
```
Request URL: https://scriptingis.life/style.css
Request Method: GET
Response Status: 200
Reponse Size: 21725
Content Type: text/css; charset=utf-8
SHA256 Sum: 578fdcff3f6f4b4a0d0cb6535a293197b2e24948927a70051d58b456f3badf9f
```

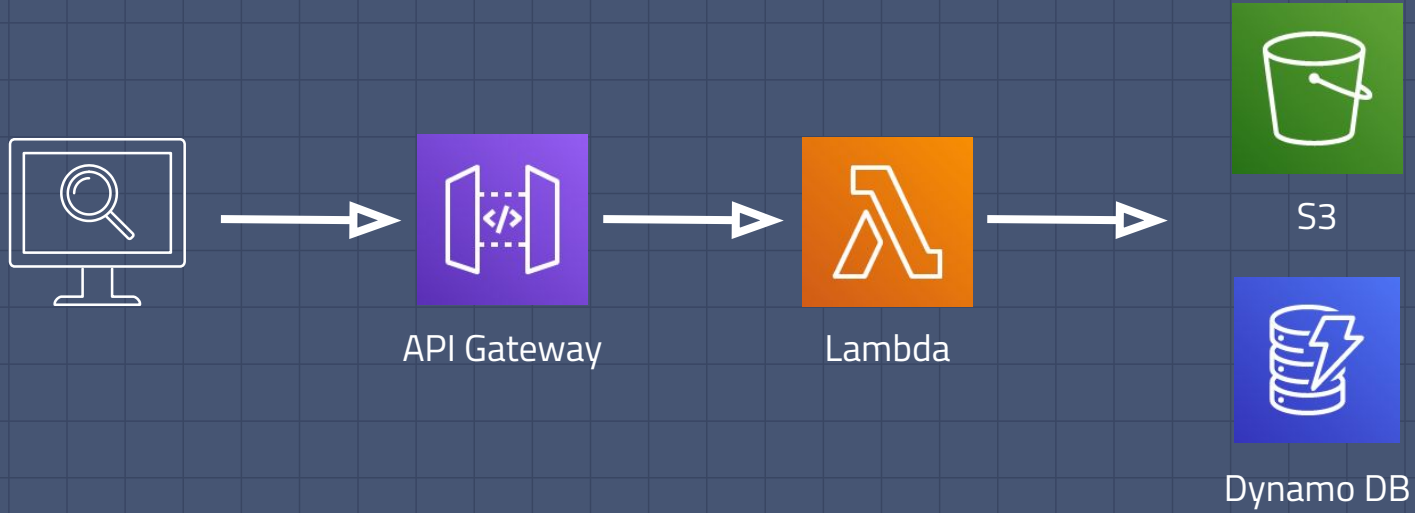
```
Request URL: https://scriptingis.life/images/profile.png
Request Method: GET
Response Status: 200
Reponse Size: 641573
Content Type: image/png
SHA256 Sum: 14d375d76f26f03037f98558934a9276051c4b34e7d12e65530c2a22246531b7
```

# Selenium

- Web browser automation primarily designed for testing
- Render a page and interact with elements

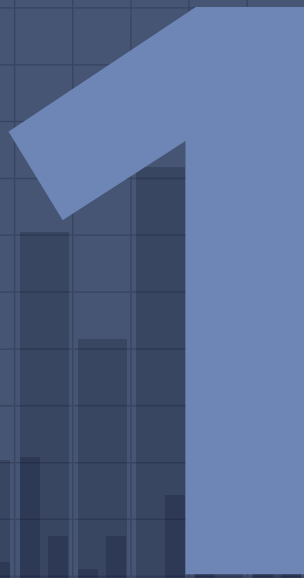
```
driver.get('https://www.w3.org/')  
for a in driver.find_elements_by_xpath('//*[a]'):  
    print(a.get_attribute('href'))
```





# Lambda

Serverless Computing



# Lambda

- Serverless Computing
- Only charged for execution time and resources used
- Run when triggered by
  - AWS IoT
  - DynamoDB, S3
  - API Gateway
  - Time



# Limitations

- Need to include all resources in upload
  - ZIP - 50MB
  - S3 - 250MB
- Small compute power
  - 128MB - 3GB memory
  - CPU power scales with memory limit
- No root access
  - Limited OS privileges

# Lambda Cost

- 1,000,000 requests free
- 400,000 GB-seconds of compute resources free
  
- 800,000 seconds of runtime with 512MB memory
  - ~40,000 20-second scans



# Lambda

- Python script with Selenium driving Chromium
  1. Load webpage
  2. Screenshot
  3. Upload image to S3

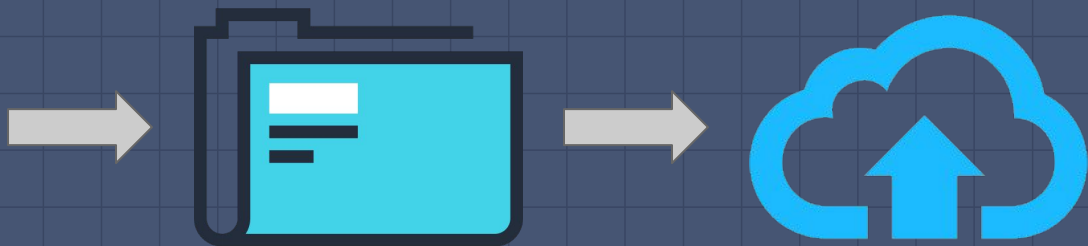
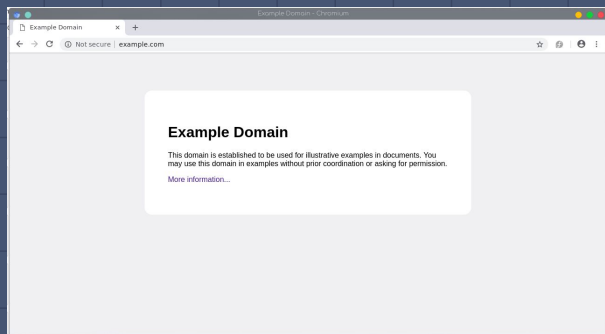


21Buttons/pychromeless



# Lambda

- Python script with Selenium driving Chromium



21Buttons/psychromeless

The screenshot displays the AWS Lambda console configuration for a function named "GlimpseScan". At the top left, there is a key icon. The function name "GlimpseScan" is shown in a light blue box with its icon. Below it, the "Layers" section is currently empty, indicated by a stack icon and "(0)".

On the left side, the "API Gateway" trigger is visible, with a dashed box below it containing the text "Add triggers from the list on the left".

On the right side, the "Resources" section lists three services: "Amazon CloudWatch Logs", "Amazon DynamoDB", and "Amazon S3". A dashed box at the bottom of this section contains the text "Resources that the function's role has access to appear here".

# Lambda

- Lambda invokes a function in your code
- Parameters passed as a dictionary

Handler [Info](#)

```
lambda_function.lambda_handler
```

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

# Lambda Deployment

- Makefile
- AWS CLI

```
pack: clean fetch-dependencies
```

```
mkdir build
```

```
cp -r src build/.
```

```
cp -r bin build/.
```

```
cp -r lib build/.
```

```
pip install -r requirements.txt -t build/lib/.
```

```
cd build; zip -9qr build.zip .
```

```
cp build/build.zip .
```

```
rm -rf build
```

```
deploy: pack
```

```
aws s3 cp ./build.zip s3://${S3_BUCKET}/${S3_KEY} --profile ${AWS_USER}
```

```
aws lambda update-function-code --function-name ${FUNCTION_NAME} --s3-bucket ${S3_BUCKET} --s3-key ${S3_KEY} --profile ${AWS_USER}
```

# Storage

Simple Storage Service (S3) and DynamoDB

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# S3

- Key-Value Storage
- Host publicly accessible images
- Uploading done through `boto` Python module

```
conn = S3Connection(S3_KEY_ID, S3_SECRET_KEY)
bucket = conn.get_bucket('glimpsefiles')
key = Key(bucket, 'screenshots/' + screenshot_filename)
key.set_contents_from_filename(screenshot_path)
```

# S3 Cost

- Storage
  - First 50TB - \$0.023 per GB
- Access
  - PUT
    - Data added \$0.002 per GB
    - \$0.005 per 1,000 requests
  - GET
    - Data returned \$0.0007 per GB
    - \$0.0004 per 1,000 requests

# DynamoDB

- NoSQL Database
  - No set structure = No normalizing!
- No setup, maintenance, or clustering
- Cost
  - \$0.25 per GB of storage
  - \$1.25 per million writes
  - \$0.25 per million reads
  - Free Tier - 25GB storage, 2.5 million reads, 1GB data transfer out

```
db = DynamoDB(DB_TABLE)

exists = False
db_data = db.get({'urlhash': url_hash})
```



# API Gateway

REST API Development and Management

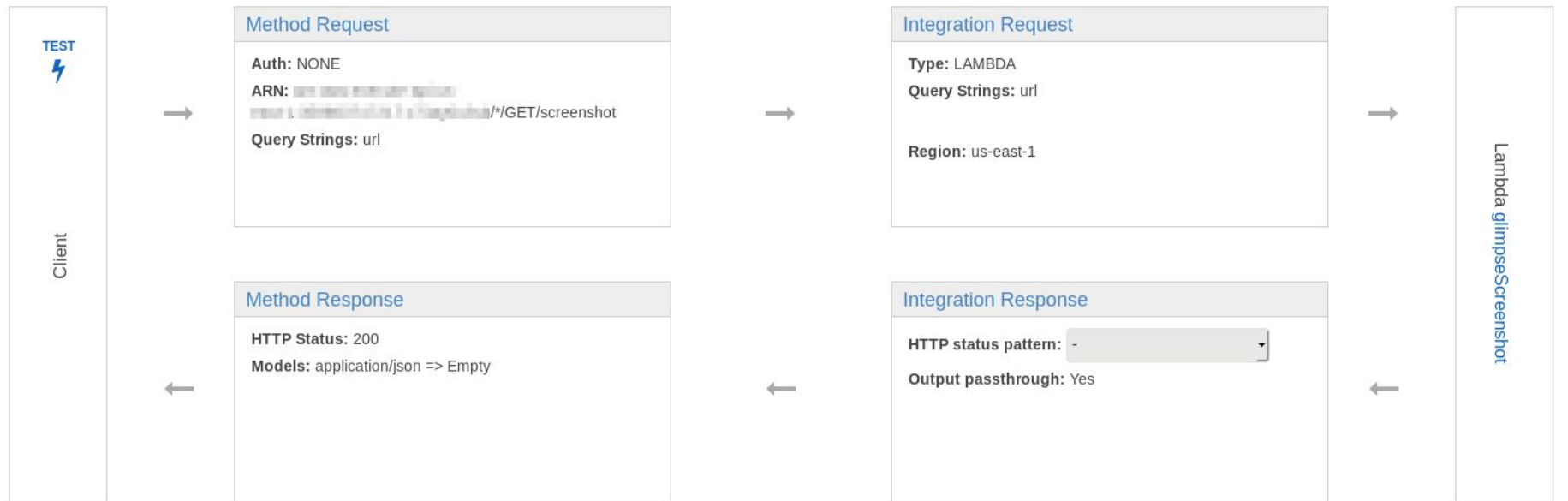
A large, stylized blue number '3' is positioned on the right side of the slide. The background of the slide features a dark blue grid pattern and a bar chart with varying bar heights in shades of blue and grey.

# API Gateway

- Visual API development
- Proxy for other AWS services
  - DynamoDB queries
- Convert between HTTP requests and Lambda execution

# API Gateway

/screenshot - GET - Method Execution



# API Gateway Cost

- \$3.50 per million API calls
- Caching
  - 0.5GB for \$0.020 per hour
  - \$15 per month

# Website

Frontend is hard :(



# Github Pages

- Host a static site for free
1. Make a new repository
  2. Add an index.html
  3. Settings -> GitHub Pages -> master branch
  4. Struggle with CSS
  5. Profit



# Conclusions



**DevOps Borat**  
@DEVOPS\_BORAT



To make error is human. To propagat error to all server in automatic way is [#devops](#).

2:55 PM · Feb 26, 2011 · Mobile Web

# Why Use The Cloud?

- Easy
  - Heavy lifting done by AWS
  - Graphical interfaces for everything
  - Logging and dashboards built in
- Cheap
  - Free tiers
  - Charge by the millions
- Scalable
  - Duplicate and automate



# Easy

## Create DynamoDB table

DynamoDB is a schema-less database that only requires a table name and primary key. The table stores data, and sort data within each partition.

Table name\*  ⓘ

Primary key\* Partition key

String ▾ ⓘ

Add sort key

Resources

Actions ▾

▾ /  
▾ /scan  
GET  
▾ /{urlhash}  
GET

## Basic information

### Function name

Enter a name that describes the purpose of your function.

Use only letters, numbers, hyphens, or underscores with no spaces.

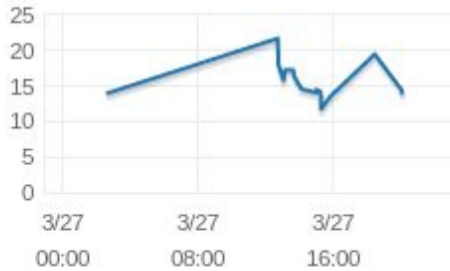
### Runtime [Info](#)

Choose the language to use to write your function.

# Dashboards

## Latency

### Get latency (Milliseconds)

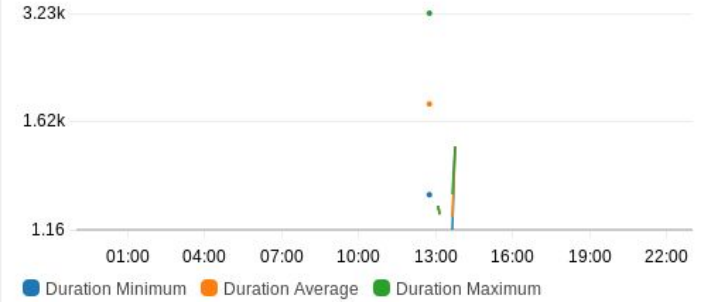


### Put latency (Milliseconds)

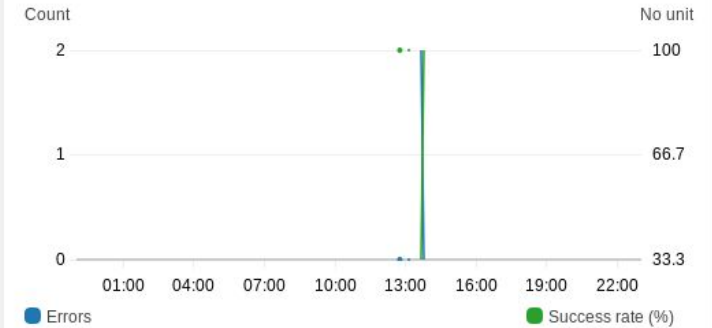


## Duration

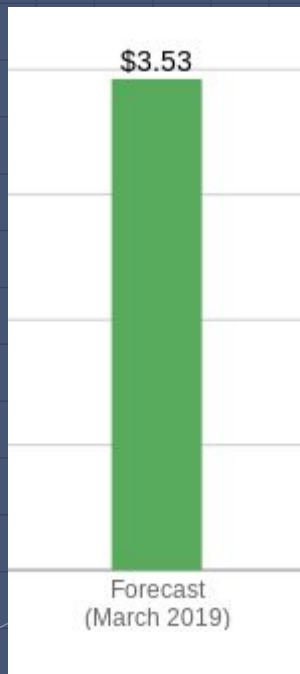
Milliseconds



## Error count and success rate (%)



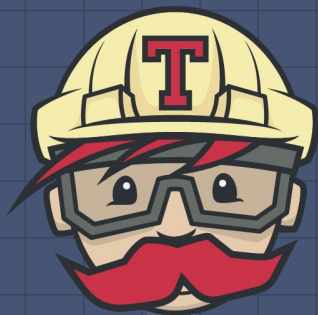
# Cheap



Top Free Tier Services by Usage <span style="float: right;">View all</span>		
Service	Free Tier usage limit	Month-to-date usage
AWS Key Management Service	20,000 free requests per month for AWS Key Management Service	0.42% (84.00/20,000 Requests)
AWS Lambda	400,000 seconds of compute time per month for AWS Lambda	0.13% (533.39/400,000 seconds)
AWS Lambda	1,000,000 free requests per month for AWS Lambda	0.02% (242.00/1,000,000 Requests)
AmazonCloudWatch	1,000,000 API requests for Amazon Cloudwatch	0.01% (58.00/1,000,000 Requests)
AmazonCloudWatch	5 GB of Log Data Ingestion for Amazon Cloudwatch	0.00% (0.00/5 GB)

# Next Up

- Continuous Integration
- Network Activity Logging
- Support Multiple Regions, User-Agents
- ...



# Questions?

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# Resources

- [Boto 3 Documentation](#)
  - [Dynamo DB](#)
  - [S3](#)
- [AWS Blog - Project Ideas!](#)
- [Open Guide to AWS](#)
- [Using Python on Lambda](#)
- [More on urlscan.io](#)
- [/r/aws](#)