

Cloud, The Hard Way



HELLO!

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0. PREFACE

The Hard Way is Easier

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- ◆ Cover the basics
- ◆ Build on them
- ◆ Run free

1. INTRODUCTION

Getting started in the cloud

GETTING STARTED IN THE CLOUD

- ◆ Challenges
- ◆ Understand Datacenter vs. AWS

CHALLENGES

- ◆ Dynamic environment
- ◆ Huge scale
- ◆ Diverse applications

DATACENTER VS AWS

Datacenter

- ◆ Firewall
- ◆ RBAC
- ◆ Cluster
- ◆ Syslog
- ◆ VLAN
- ◆ Datacenter

AWS

- ◆ Security Group
- ◆ IAM
- ◆ Auto Scaling Group
- ◆ CloudWatch
- ◆ VPC
- ◆ Region / AZ

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2.

EXERCISE 0

Let's get to the root of things

ROOT ACCOUNT

- ◆ First AWS account
- ◆ Highest level of access
- ◆ Sensitive

USE CASES OF ROOT

- ◆ Break glass superuser
- ◆ S3 Bucket ACL



THROW AWAY THE KEY

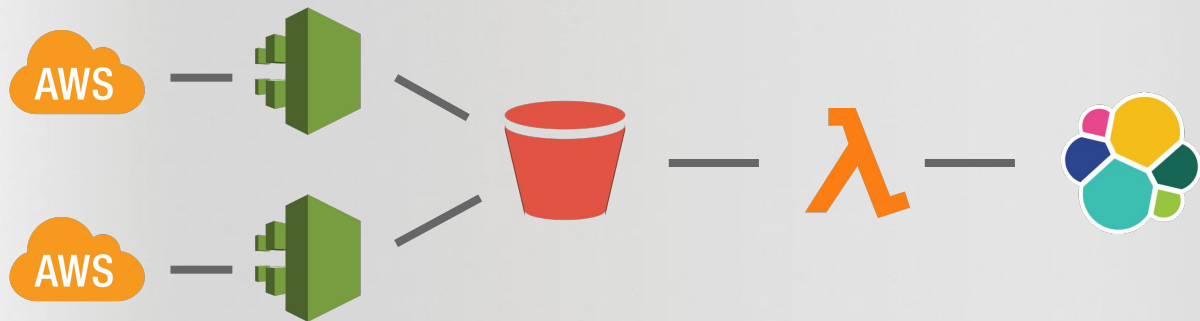
3. EXERCISE 1

Auditing - CloudTrail

CLOUDTRAIL

- ◆ Logs AWS API activity
 - ◆ Like a credit card statement
- ◆ AWS API transactions
 - ◆ Who / When / What (Call) / Which (Resource)

EXAMPLE: HOW TO CLOUDTRAIL



4. **EXERCISE 2**

Identity and Access Management (IAM)

IDENTITY AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT (IAM)

- ◆ Users
- ◆ Groups
- ◆ Roles
- ◆ Policies

IAM USERS

- ◆ Can log into the console
- ◆ Credentials are static
- ◆ Avoid if you can

IAM GROUPS

- ◆ Used to provide similar permissions to users
- ◆ Think of them like AD groups

IAM ROLES

- ◆ Preferred method for operating in AWS
- ◆ Similar to users, but credentials are temporary
- ◆ Used throughout all services within AWS
- ◆ Single Sign-On (SSO)

POLICIES

- ◆ Permissions that can be applied to anything
- ◆ Managed Policies
- ◆ Inline policies



Works EVERYWHERE!

```
{  
  "Version": "2012-10-17",  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Action": [  
        "s3:GetObject"  
      ],  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::sans-sj"  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

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EXERCISE 3

Simple Storage Service (S3)

S3

- ◆ It is like a folder on the internet
- ◆ Can be used to store your data on AWS
- ◆ Cheap

S3

- ◆ Buckets
 - ◆ Globally unique
 - ◆ Can make files (objects) public
- ◆ Objects
 - ◆ Contain data and metadata
 - ◆ Can be public even though bucket is not!

6. EXERCISE 4

Base AMI

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- ◆ Immutability
 - ◆ No SSH
 - ◆ Config change == new build
- ◆ Every application has the same base layer
 - ◆ Logging
 - ◆ Security
 - ◆ Secrets Management

7. EXERCISE 5

Lambda

Lambda A.K.A Serverless

- ◆ Someone else's container
- ◆ Highly scalable
- ◆ Pay for what you use
- ◆ Multiple languages
 - ◆ Bring your own runtime

Lambda A.K.A Serverless

- ◆ Deploy in VPC
- ◆ Configurable memory and runtime
 - ◆ More memory \sim more power
- ◆ Easy to get started
- ◆ Be careful with versions

8. TOOLS

Some awesome open source

STREAMALERT



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REPOKID



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THANKS!

Any questions?

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