

Device Hacking 101

Building a Serverless Application for an IoT Device

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Why are we here?

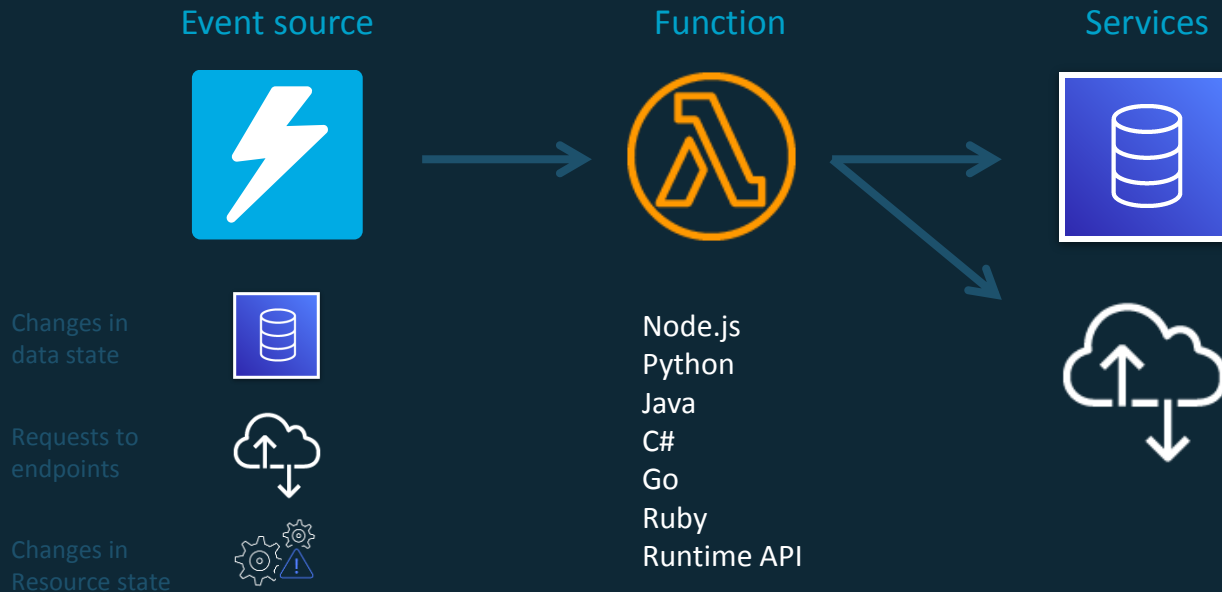


Objectives

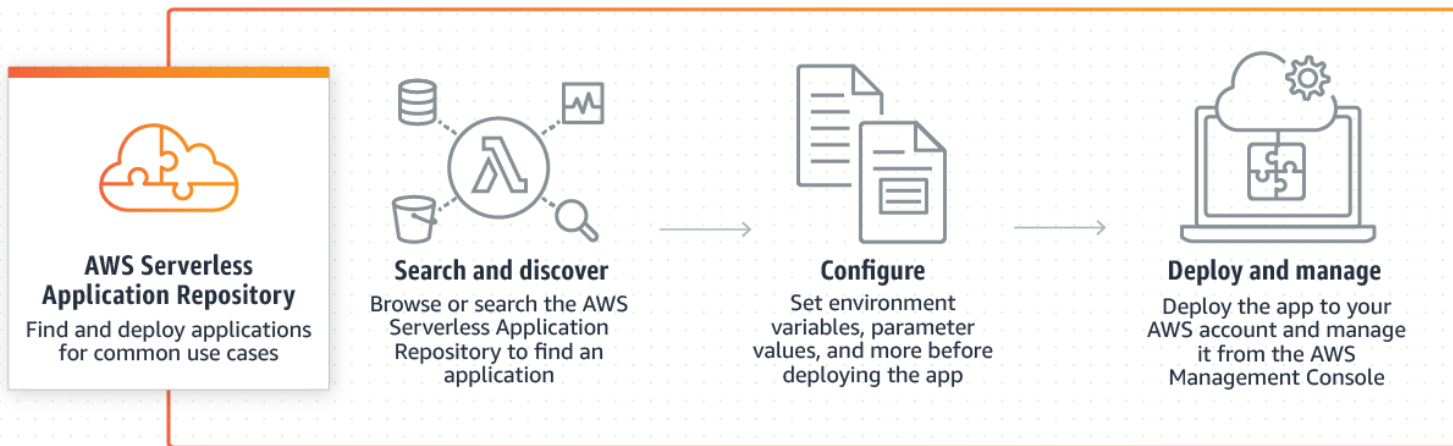
- Learn about IoT development devices.
- Program an ESP32 Wi-Fi microcontroller to connect to AWS IoT
- Deploy an application from the AWS Serverless Application Repository

What is Serverless?

A typical Serverless Application



AWS Serverless Application Repository



AWS Serverless Application Model (SAM)

AWS CloudFormation extension optimized for serverless

Special serverless resource types: functions, APIs, tables, layers, and applications

Supports anything AWS CloudFormation supports

Open specification (Apache 2.0)

<https://aws.amazon.com/serverless/sam>



AWS Serverless Application Model (SAM)

AWSTemplateFormatVersion: "2010-09-09"

Transform: AWS::Serverless-2016-10-31

Resources:

 IoTLambdaFunction:

 Type: AWS::Serverless::Function

 Properties:

 Handler: index.handler

 Runtime: nodejs10.x

 CodeUri: src/

 Policies:

 - DynamoDBCrudPolicy:

 TableName: !Ref MyTable

 Environment:

 Variables:

 TABLE_NAME: !Ref MyTable

 Events:

 IoT:

 Type: IoTRule

 Properties:

 AwsIotSqlVersion: 2016-03-23

 Sql: "SELECT * FROM 'topic_2'"

A few lines deploys:

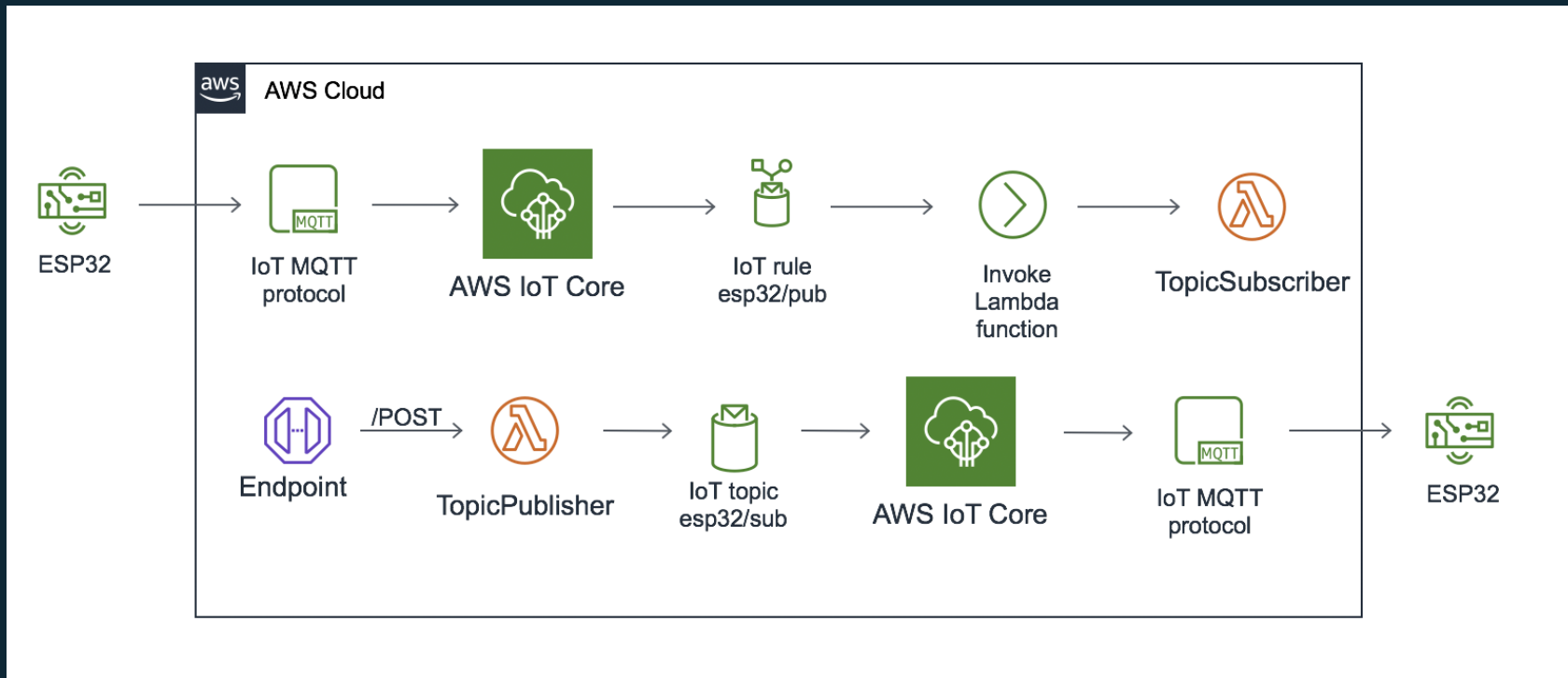
- AWS Lambda function
- Amazon DynamoDB table
- AWS IoT rule that will invoke the Lambda function whenever a message is published to an IoT topic

AWS IoT

AWS IoT Core

- Provides an MQTT broker for publishing and subscribing to message topics.
- Secure and managed device credentials.
- IoT rules engine for routing events to multiple targets, such as AWS Lambda.

What we're going to deploy..



Why should you connect a device to a Serverless application?

Use cases

Serverless lets us take advantage of AWS Services:

- Physical displays for alerts. (Amazon CloudWatch)
- Sensor data collection and analysis. (Amazon QuickSight)
- Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence. (AWS SageMaker)
- Enable language translation on edge devices. (Amazon Translate)

What is a microcontroller?

Microcontrollers

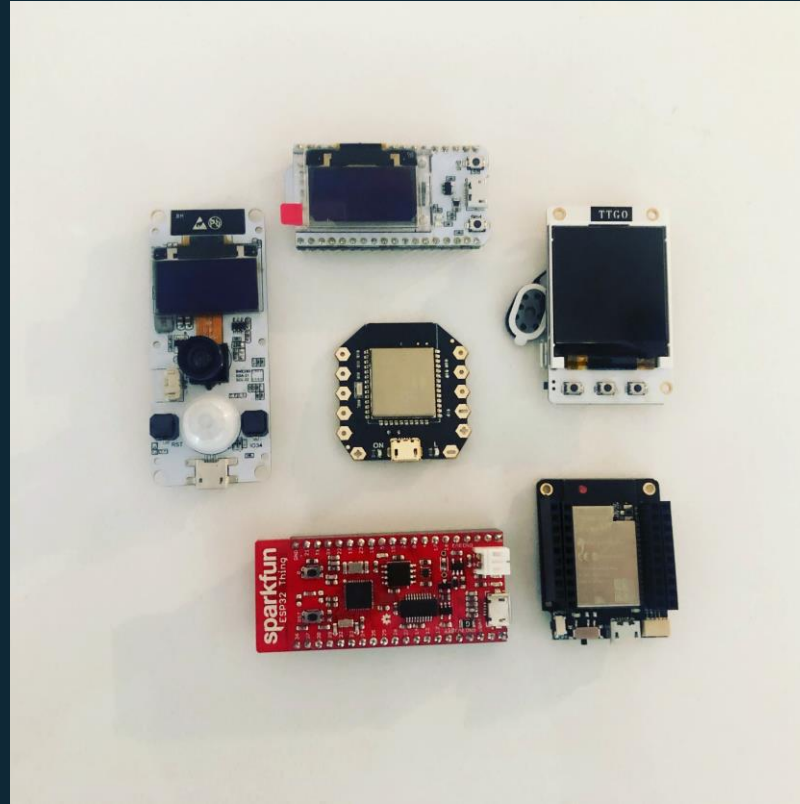
- Integrated circuits designed to perform specific operations in an embedded system.
- Typically have a processor and some memory
- Provide input and output (I/O).
- Come in all shapes and sizes.
- Can be reprogrammed.
- NOT the same as a single-board computer, such as a the Raspberry Pi or BeagleBone.

ESP32

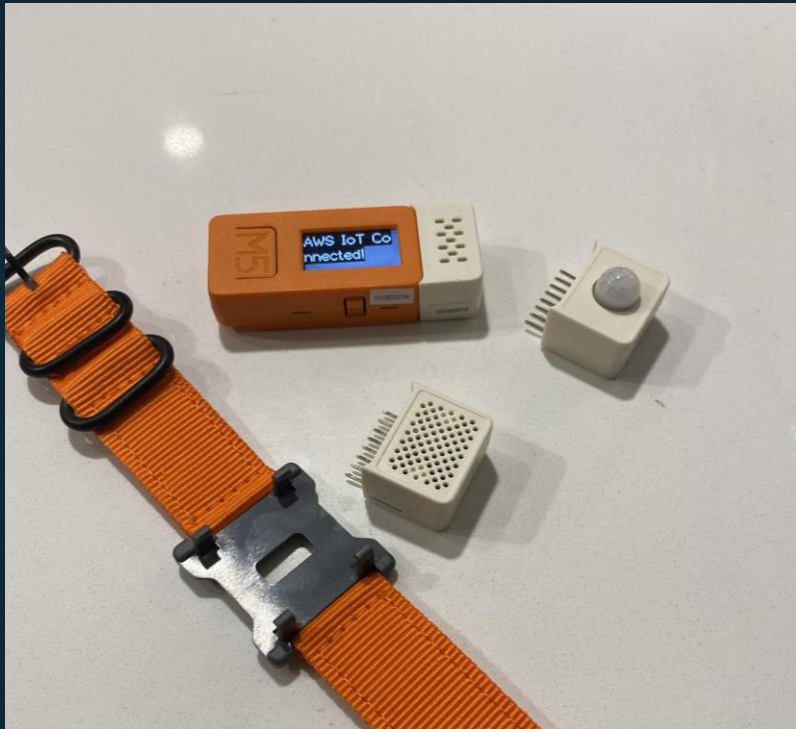
- Created by Espressif Systems
- Low-cost, low-power
- System on a chip microcontrollers (SoC)
- Multi-core
- Includes Wi-Fi + Bluetooth radios
- Heavily supported by the open-source community
- Arduino compatible



ESP32 modules come in all varieties..



M5StickC (used in this demo)





Lets build!

bit.ly/esp32hax

Thank You!

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