

Serverless Application Ramblings

Looking back at building serverless applications for the last 6 years

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What is Serverless?





Definition*

- Run code in response to an event
- Billed per invocation
- Scales for zero to any load seamlessly and instantly

*) My definition..



Anatomy of an execution

- Parse & validate event
- Enrich (optional)
- Decide
- Save or send



Not FaaS, but BSaaS

- It is not about functions, but interconnections.
- Think neurons vs brain
- We have great ways to share functions..



Software Implications





Architecture

- Event-driven
- Nano-services



Development

- Add features by adding code.
- Add replacement instead of updating code.



Testing

- No more unit tests!
- Test in production instead.



Operations

• Go back to bed after being paged.



Financial Benefits





Lower Cost

- Lower cloud spend is nice..
- But it is all about freeing up the



Predictable & Scalable COGS

- Spend scales at most linearly with revenue.
- Gives immense pricing power.







Serverless is not the end

- Merging Serverless and SaaS.
- Rise of the BaaS.



Thanks!

