

User Guide

# **AWS App Studio**



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# What is AWS App Studio?

AWS App Studio is a generative AI–powered service that uses natural language to help you create enterprise-grade applications. App Studio opens up application development to technical professionals without software development skills, such as IT project managers, data engineers, and enterprise architects. With App Studio, you can quickly build applications that are secure and fully managed by AWS, without the need for operational expertise.

Builders can use App Studio to create and deploy apps to modernize internal business processes. Some use case examples are inventory management and tracking, claims processing, and complex approvals to improve employee productivity and customer outcomes.

#### Topics

• Are you a first-time App Studio user?

## Are you a first-time App Studio user?

If you're a first-time user of App Studio, we recommend that you begin by reading the following sections:

- For users with the administrator role who will be setting up App Studio, managing users and access, and configuring connectors with other AWS or third-party services, see <u>AWS App Studio</u> concepts and Setting up and signing in to AWS App Studio.
- For builders who will be creating and developing applications, see <u>AWS App Studio concepts</u> and <u>Getting started with AWS App Studio</u>.

# **AWS App Studio concepts**

Get familiar with the key App Studio concepts to help speed up creating applications and automating processes for your team. These concepts include terms used throughout App Studio for both administrators and builders.

#### Topics

- Admin role
- Application (app)
- Automation
- Automation actions
- Builder role
- <u>Component</u>
- Connector
- Development environment
- Entity
- Instance
- Page
- Trigger

## Admin role

**Admin** is a role that can be assigned to a group in App Studio. Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.

Only users with the Admin role have access to the **Admin Hub**, which contains tools to manage roles, data sources, and applications.

An **application** (app) is a single software program that is developed for end-users to accomplish specific tasks. Apps in App Studio include assets such as UI pages and components, automations, and data sources that users can interact with.

## Automation

**Automations** are how you define the business logic of your application. The main components of an automation are: triggers that start the automation, a sequence of one or more actions, input parameters used to pass data to the automation, and an output.

## **Automation actions**

An automation action, commonly referred to as an **action**, is an individual step of logic that make up an automation. Each action performs a specific task, whether it's sending an email, creating a data record, invoking a Lambda function, or calling APIs. Actions are added to automations from the action library, and can be grouped into conditional statements or loops.

# **Builder role**

**Builder** is a role that can be assigned to a group in App Studio. Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.

Users with the Builder role have access to the **Builder Hub**, which contains details about resources such as the applications that the builder has access to along with helpful information such as learning resources.

# Component

**Components** are individual functional items within the UI of your application. Components are contained in pages, and some components can serve as a container for other components. Components combine UI elements with the business logic you want that UI element to perform. For example, one type of component is a form, where users can enter information in fields and, once submitted, that information is added as a database record.

## Connector

A **connector** is a connection between App Studio and other AWS services, such as AWS Lambda and Amazon Redshift, or third-party services. Once a connector is created and configured, builders can use it and the resources it connects to App Studio in their applications.

Only users with the Admin role can create, manage, or delete connectors.

## **Development environment**

The **Development environment** is a visual tool to build applications. This environment includes the following tabs for building apps:

- Pages: Where builders design their applications with pages and components.
- Automations: Where builders design their application's business logic with automations.
- Data: Where builders design their application's data model with entities.

The Development environment also contains a debug console, and an AI chat window to get contextual help while building. Builders can preview their in-progress applications from the Development environment.

# Entity

**Entities** are data tables in App Studio. Entities interact directly with tables in data sources. Entities include fields to describe the data in them, queries to locate and return data, and mapping to connect the entity's fields to a data source's columns.

## Instance

An **instance** is a logical container for all of your App Studio resources. It represents you, your company, team, or organization, and contains all of your App Studio resources, such as applications, connectors, and role assignments for users and groups. Larger organizations or enterprises commonly have multiple App Studio instances, for example: a sandbox, testing, and production instance. You create an instance as part of setting up App Studio.

# Page

**Pages** are containers for <u>components</u>, which make up the UI of an application in App Studio. Each page represents a screen of your application's user interface (UI) that your users will interact with. Pages are created and edited in the **Pages** tab of the application studio.

# Trigger

A **trigger** determines when, and on what conditions, an automation will run. Some examples of triggers are On click for buttons and On select for text inputs. The type of component determines the list of available triggers for that component. Triggers are added to <u>components</u> and configured in the application studio.

## **How AWS App Studio works**

There are a few key concepts to understand when using AWS App Studio to build applications. This topic covers the basics of the following concepts or resources:

- Using *connectors* to connect to other services to use their resources or API calls in your application. For example, you can use connectors to store and access data, or send notifications from your app.
- Using *entities* to configure the data model of your application, which connects your application with your external data source.
- Using *pages* and *components* to build the user interface (UI) of your application.
- Using *automations* and *actions* to implement the logic or behavior of your application.
- The application development lifecycle in App Studio: building, testing, and publishing.

For more information about App Studio concepts, see AWS App Studio concepts.

The following image is a simple diagram of how App Studio and its resources are organized.



Within an app in App Studio, pages, automations, and entities all interact with one another. You use connectors to connect these resources to external services such as data, storage, or notification providers. To successfully build an app, it's crucial to understand how all of these concepts and resources interact with one another.

## **Connecting your application to other services**

One of the biggest benefits of using App Studio to build applications is being able to easily integrate your app with other services. In App Studio, you connect to other services by using connectors that are specific to the service and the resources or API calls you want to use with your application.

You create connectors at the App Studio instance level, and not in individual apps. After you create connectors, you can use them in various parts of applications, depending on the connected service and the application.

The following are examples of functionality in applications that use connectors to connect to other services:

- The most common use case, used in almost all applications, is to store and access data used in the application by connecting to AWS data services such as Amazon Redshift, Amazon DynamoDB, or Amazon Aurora.
- An application that allows uploading and viewing images, such as receipts, can use Amazon S3 to store and access the image files.
- A text summarizer app can send a text input to Amazon Bedrock and show the returned summary.

#### i Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors. When creating connectors, you must include proper credentials and information about the resources or API calls that you want to use.

## Configuring the data model of your application

Your application's data is the information that powers the application. In App Studio, you create and use *entities* that represent the different types of data that you store and work with. For example, in a tracking application for customer meetings, you might have three entities that represent customer meetings, the agendas, and the attendees.

Entities contain fields that have types, such as integer or string, that describe the data being stored. Although you use entities to define your data model, you must connect your entity to an external data storage service such as Amazon Redshift or Amazon DynamoDB to store the data. You can think of an entity as an intermediary between your App Studio application and the data in the external service.

You can use data actions to interact with the data in your application from components and automations. The two most common data actions to use are a getAll action and a getByID

action. For example, your application could use the getAll data action to populate a table with your data, and a getByID action to populate a detail component with more information about a specific data entry.

You can also add sample data to your entity to more easily test your application without needing to call external services.

## **Building your application's UI**

In App Studio, you build your application's UI with *pages* and *components*. Pages are individual screens of your application and are containers for components. Components are the building blocks of your application's UI. There are many types of components, such as tables, forms, image viewers, and buttons.

The following image shows the **Pages** tab of the application studio, where you add or configure pages and components in your application. The following key areas are highlighted and numbered:

- 1. The left-side **Pages** panel. This is where you manage pages, the application header, and the navigation settings. You can view all of the pages and components of your application.
- 2. The **canvas**, which displays the current page's components. You can choose the components in the canvas to configure their properties.
- 3. The right-side **Components** or **Properties** panel. With nothing selected, the Components panel is shown, which displays the list of components that can be added to your page. If you select a page or component, the Properties panel is shown, where you configure the page or component.
- 4. The bottom **Errors** and **Warnings** panels. These panels display any errors or warnings in your application, which are most commonly from configuration issues. You can choose the panel to expand it and see the messages.



As an example, applications where users have to input information might have the following pages and components:

- An input page that includes a form component that users use to fill out and submit information.
- A list view page that contains a table component with information about each input.
- A detailed view page that contains a detail component with more information about each input.

Components can include static information or data, such as a form with defined fields. They can also include dynamic information by using automations, such as an image viewer that retrieves an image from an Amazon S3 bucket and displays it to the user.

It's important to understand the concept of *page parameters*. You use page parameters to send information from one page to another. A common example of a use case for page parameters is

searching and filtering, where the search term from one page is sent to the table or list of items to filter on in another page. Another use case example is viewing item details, where the item identifier is sent to a detailed viewer page.

## Implementing the logic or behavior of your application

You can think of the logic or behavior of your application as the functionality of the application. You can define what happens when a user chooses a button, submits information, navigates to a new page, or interacts in other ways. In App Studio, you define the logic of your application with *automations* and *actions*. Automations are containers for actions, which are the building blocks of the functionality of automations.

The following image shows the **Automations** tab of the application studio, where you add or configure automations and their actions in your application. The following key areas are highlighted and numbered:

- The left-side **Automations** panel. This is where you manage automations. You can view all of the automations and actions of your application.
- The **canvas**, which displays the current automation. It displays the configured automation parameters (which are explained later in this section) and actions. You can choose the components in the canvas to configure their properties.
- The right-side **Actions** and **Properties** panels. With nothing selected, the Actions panel is shown. It displays the list of actions that can be added to your automation. If you select an automation, you can view and configure its properties, such as the input and output of the automation. If you select an action, you can view and configure the action's properties.
- The bottom Errors and Warnings panels. This panel displays any errors or warnings in your application (most commonly from configuration issues). You can choose the panel to expand it and see the messages.



Automations can be simple (such as adding numbers and returning the result), or more powerful (such as sending an input to another service and returning the result). The main components of an automation are as follows:

- A *trigger*, which defines when the automation is run. An example is when the user presses a button in the UI.
- An *automation input*, which sends information to the automation. You define automation inputs with *automation parameters*. For example, if you want to use Amazon Bedrock to return a summary of text to the user, you configure the text to be summarized as an automation parameter.
- *Actions*, which are the building blocks of an automation's functionality. You can think of each action as a step in the automation. Actions can call APIs, invoke custom JavaScript, create data

records, and perform other functions. You can also group actions into loops or conditions to further customize the functionality. You can also invoke other automations with an action.

• An *automation output*, which you can use in components or even other automations. For example, the automation output could be text that is shown in a text component, an image to be shown in an image viewer component, or the input to another automation.

## The development lifecycle of your application

The development lifecycle of your application includes the following stages: building, testing, and publishing. It's called a cycle, because you will likely be iterating through and between these stages as you create and iterate upon your application.

The following image shows a simplified timeline of the application development lifecycle in App Studio:



App Studio offers various tools to support the lifecycle of your application. These tools include the following three distinct environments, which are shown in the previous diagram:

- The Preview environment, where you can preview your application to see how it looks to end users, and test specific functionality. Use the Preview environment to quickly test and iterate on your application without needing to publish it. Applications in the preview environment don't communicate or transfer data with external services. This means that you can't test interactions and functionality that rely on external services in the Preview environment.
- The Testing environment, where you can test your application's connection and interactions with external services. This is also where you can do end-user testing by sharing the version published to the Testing environment to groups of testers.
- The Production environment, where you can perform final testing of new apps before sharing them with end users. After the apps are shared, the version of the application that is published to the Production environment is the version that end users will view and use.

Now that you know the basics of how application development works in App Studio, you can either start building an application of your own, or dive deeper into learning more about concepts and resources.

To start building, we recommend that you try one of the getting started tutorials:

- Follow <u>Tutorial: Generate an app using AI</u> to learn how to use the AI builder assistant to get a head start on building an app.
- Follow <u>Tutorial: Start building from an empty app</u> to learn how to build an app from scratch while learning the basics.

To learn more about the resources or concepts mentioned in this topic, see the following topics:

- Connect App Studio to other services with connectors
- Entities and data actions: Configure your app's data model
- Pages and components: Build your app's user interface
- <u>Automations and actions: Define your app's business logic</u>
- Previewing, publishing, and sharing applications

# Setting up and signing in to AWS App Studio

Setting up AWS App Studio is different depending on your role:

- First-time setup as an AWS or organization administrator: To set up App Studio for the first time as an administrator, you create an AWS account if you don't have one, create the App Studio instance, and configure user access using IAM Identity Center groups. After the instance is created, anyone with the Administrator role in App Studio can do further setting up tasks—for example, configuring connectors to connect other services (such as data sources) to your App Studio instance. For information about first-time setup, see Creating and setting up an App Studio instance for the first time.
- Getting started as a builder: When you receive an invitation to join App Studio as a builder, you
  must accept the invitation and activate your IAM Identity Center user credentials by providing
  a password. Afterwards, you can sign in to App Studio and start building applications. For
  information about accepting an invitation and joining an App Studio instance, see <u>Accepting an
  invitation to join App Studio</u>.

# Creating and setting up an App Studio instance for the first time

## Sign up for an AWS account

An AWS account is required to set up App Studio. Only one AWS account is required to use App Studio—builders and administrators don't need an AWS account to use App Studio because access is managed with AWS IAM Identity Center.

#### To create an AWS account

- 1. Open https://portal.aws.amazon.com/billing/signup.
- 2. Follow the online instructions.

Part of the sign-up procedure involves receiving a phone call or text message and entering a verification code on the phone keypad.

When you sign up for an AWS account, an AWS account root user is created. The root user has access to all AWS services and resources in the account. As a security best practice, assign

administrative access to a user, and use only the root user to perform <u>tasks that require root</u> user access.

## Create an administrative user for managing AWS resources

When you first create an AWS account, you begin with a default set of credentials with complete access to all AWS resources in your account. This identity is called the <u>AWS account root user</u>. For creating AWS roles and resources to be used with App Studio, we strongly recommend that you do not use the AWS account root user. Instead, we recommend that you create and use an administrative user.

Use the following topics to create an administrative user for managing AWS roles and resources for use with App Studio.

- For a single, standalone AWS account, see <u>Create your first IAM user</u> in the *IAM User Guide*. You can provide any user name, but it must have the AdministratorAccess permissions policy.
- For multiple AWS accounts managed through AWS Organizations, see <u>Set up AWS account access</u> for an IAM Identity Center administrative user in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

## Create an App Studio instance in the AWS Management Console

To use App Studio, you must create an instance from the App Studio landing page in the AWS Management Console. There are two methods that can be used to create an App Studio instance:

- Easy create: With this simplified method, you set up only one user to access and use App Studio as part of setting up. You should use this method if you're evaluating App Studio for your organization or team, or if you only plan to use App Studio yourself. You can add more users or groups to App Studio after setup. Note that if you have an organization instance of IAM Identity Center, you can't use this method.
- 2. Standard create: With this method, you add users or groups and assign them roles in App Studio as part of setting up. You should use this method if you want to add more than one user to App Studio when setting up.

#### 🚯 Note

You can only create one instance of App Studio, across all AWS Regions. If you have an existing instance, you must delete it before creating another one. For more information, see <u>Deleting an App Studio instance</u>.

#### Easy create

#### To create an App Studio instance in the AWS Management Console with easy create

- 1. Open the App Studio console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/appstudio/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/appstudio/</a>.
- 2. Navigate to the AWS Region in which you want to create an App Studio instance.
- 3. Choose **Get started**.
- 4. Choose **Easy create** and choose **Next**.
- 5. The next steps to set up App Studio are determined by whether or not you have an IAM Identity Center account instance. To find more information about IAM Identity Center instances, including the different types and how to find which type you have, see <u>Manage</u> <u>organization and account instances of IAM Identity Center</u> in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.
  - If you have an account instance of IAM Identity Center:
    - a. In **Account permissions**, review the required permissions for enabling App Studio. If your account doesn't have the required permissions, you won't be able to enable App Studio. You must either get the required permissions added to your account, or switch to an account that has them.
    - b. In **Add a user**, search for and select the email address of the user in your IAM Identity Center account instance that will access App Studio. This user will have the Admin role in the App Studio instance. If you do not see the user you want to provide access to App Studio, you may need to add them to your IAM Identity Center instance.
  - If you do not have an account instance of IAM Identity Center:

#### 🚯 Note

Setting up App Studio automatically creates an IAM Identity Center account instance with the user you configure during the set up process. After the setup

is complete, you can add or manage users and groups in the IAM Identity Center console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/.

- a. In **Account permissions**, review the required permissions for enabling App Studio. If your account does not have the required permissions, you will not be able to enable App Studio. You must either get the required permissions added to your account, or switch to an account that has them.
- b. In **Add a user**, provide an **Email address**, **First name**, **Last name**, and **Username** for the user accessing App Studio. This user will have the Admin role in the App Studio instance.
- 6. In **Service access and roles**, review the service roles and service-linked role that are created automatically when you set up App Studio to provide the service with necessary permissions. Choose **View permissions** to see the exact permissions granted for service roles, or **View policy** to see the permissions policy attached to the service-linked role.
- 7. In **Acknowledgement**, acknowledge the statements by choosing their checkboxes.
- 8. Choose **Set up** to create your instance.

#### 🚯 Note

To add more users or groups to your App Studio instance after setup, you must add them to your IAM Identity Center instance.

#### Standard create

# To create an App Studio instance in the AWS Management Console with the standard method

- 1. Open the App Studio console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/appstudio/</u>.
- 2. Navigate to the AWS Region in which you want to create an App Studio instance.
- 3. Choose **Get started**.
- 4. Choose **Standard create** and choose **Next**.
- 5. The steps to set up App Studio are determined by whether or not you have an IAM Identity Center instance, and the type of instance. To find more information about IAM Identity Center instances, including the different types and how to find which type you have, see

<u>Manage organization and account instances of IAM Identity Center</u> in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

- If you have an organization instance of IAM Identity Center:
  - In Configure access to App Studio with Single Sign-On, select existing IAM Identity Center groups to provide them with access to App Studio. App Studio groups will be created based on the specified configuration. Members of groups added to Admin groups will have the Admin role, and members of groups added to Builder groups will have the Builder role in App Studio. The roles are defined as follows:
    - Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.
    - Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.
- If you have an account instance of IAM Identity Center instance:
  - a. In Account permissions, review the required permissions for enabling App Studio. If your account does not have the required permissions, you will not be able to enable App Studio. You must either get the required permissions added to your account, or switch to an account that has them.
  - b. In **Configure access to App Studio with Single Sign-On**, in **IAM Identity Center account**, choose **Use an existing account instance**
  - c. In **AWS Region**, choose the Rergion where your IAM Identity Center account instance is located.
  - d. Select existing IAM Identity Center groups to provide them with access to App Studio. App Studio groups will be created based on the specified configuration. Members of groups added to Admin groups will have the Admin role, and members of groups added to Builder groups will have the Builder role in App Studio. The roles are defined as follows:
    - Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.

- Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.
- If you don't have an IAM Identity Center instance:

#### 1 Note

Setting up App Studio automatically creates an IAM Identity Center account instance with the groups you configure during the set up process. After the setup is complete, you can add or manage users and groups in the IAM Identity Center console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/.

- a. In Account permissions, review the required permissions for enabling App Studio. If your account doesn't have the required permissions, you won't be able to enable App Studio. You must either get the required permissions added to your account, or switch to an account that has them.
- b. In **Configure access to App Studio with Single Sign-On**, in **IAM Identity Center account**, choose **Create an account instance for me.**
- c. In **Create users and groups and add them to App Studio**, provide a name and add users to an admin group and builder group. Users that are added to the admin group will have the **Admin** role in App Studio, and users that are added to the builder group will have the **Builder** role. The roles are defined as follows:
  - Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.
  - Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.

#### <u> Important</u>

You must add yourself as a user of the admin group to set up App Studio and have admin access after setting up.

6. In **Service access and roles**, review the service roles and service-linked role that are created automatically when you set up App Studio to provide the service with necessary

permissions. Choose **View permissions** to see the exact permissions granted for service roles, or **View policy** to see the permissions policy attached to the service-linked role.

- 7. In **Acknowledgement**, acknowledge the statements by selecting their checkboxes.
- 8. Choose **Set up** to create your instance.

## Accepting an invitation to join App Studio

Access to App Studio is managed by IAM Identity Center. That means that each user who wants to use App Studio must configure a user in IAM Identity Center and belong to a group that has been added to App Studio by an administrator. When an administrator invites you to join IAM Identity Center, you'll receive an email asking you to accept the invitation and activate your user credentials. After they are activated, you can use those credentials to sign in to App Studio.

#### To accept an invitation to IAM Identity Center to access App Studio

- When you receive an invitation email, follow the steps to provide a password and activate your user credentials in IAM Identity Center. For more information, see <u>Accepting the invitation to</u> join IAM Identity Center.
- 2. After you activate your user credentials, use them to sign into your App Studio instance.

## **Getting started with AWS App Studio**

The following getting started tutorials walk you through building your first application in App Studio.

- **Recommended**: To use generative AI to describe the app you want to create, and automatically create it and its resources, see <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Generate an app using AI</u>.
- To start building from an empty app, see <u>Tutorial: Start building from an empty app</u>.

## Tutorial: Generate an app using AI

AWS App Studio contains generative AI features throughout the service to help speed up application building. In this tutorial, you'll learn how to generate an app using AI by describing your app using natural language.

Using AI to generate an app is a great way to start building because many of the app's resources are created for you. It's typically much easier to start building from a generated app with existing resources than to start from an empty app.

#### 1 Note

You can view the blog post <u>Build enterprise-grade applications with natural language</u> <u>using AWS App Studio (preview)</u> to view a similar walkthrough that includes images. The blog post also contains information about setting up and configuring administrator-related resources, but you can skip to the portion about building applications if desired.

When App Studio generates an app with AI, it creates the app with the following resources that are tailored to the app that you described:

- **Pages and components**: *Components* are the building blocks of your application's user interface. They represent visual elements like tables, forms, and buttons. Each component has its own set of properties, and you can customize a component to fit your specific requirements. *Pages* are the containers for components.
- Automations: You use *automations* to define the logic and workflows that govern how your application behaves. For example, you can use automations to create, update, read, or delete

rows in a data table or to interact with objects in an Amazon S3 bucket. You can also use them to handle tasks like data validation, notifications, or integrations with other systems.

• Entities: Data is the information that powers your application. The generated app creates *entities*, which are similar to tables. Entities represent the different types of data that you need to store and work with, such as customers, products, or orders. You can connect these data models to a variety of data sources, including AWS services and external APIs, by using App Studio connectors.

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## Prerequisites

Before you get started, review and complete the following prerequisites:

- Access to AWS App Studio. For more information, see <u>Setting up and signing in to AWS App</u> <u>Studio</u>.
- Optional: Review <u>AWS App Studio concepts</u> to familiarize yourself with important App Studio concepts.

## Step 1: Create an application

The first step in generating an app is to describe the app that you want to create to the AI assistant in App Studio. You can review the application that will be generated, and iterate as desired before generating it.

#### To generate your app using AI

- 1. Sign in to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-hand navigation, choose **Builder hub** and choose **+ Create app**.
- 3. Choose Generate an app with AI.
- 4. In the **App name** field, provide a name for your app.
- 5. In the **Select data sources** dialog box, choose **Skip**.
- 6. You can start defining the app that you want to generate by describing it in the text box, or by choosing **Customize** on a sample prompt. After you describe your app, App Studio generates the app requirements and details for you to review. This includes use cases, user flows, and data models.
- 7. Use the text box to iterate with your app as needed until you're satisfied with the requirements and details.
- 8. When you're ready to generate your app and start building, choose **Generate app**.
- 9. Optionally, you can view a short video that details how to navigate around your new app.
- 10. Choose **Edit app** to enter the Development environment for your app.

## Step 2: Explore your new application

In the Development environment, you'll find the following resources:

- A canvas that you use to view or edit your application. The canvas changes depending on the resource that is selected.
- Navigation tabs at the top of the canvas. The tabs are described in the following list:
  - **Pages**: Where you use pages and components to design the UI of your app.
  - Automations: Where you use actions in automations to define the business logic of your app.
  - **Data**: Where you define entities, their fields, sample data, and data actions to define the data models of your app.
  - **App settings**: Where you define settings for your app, including app roles, which you use to define role-based visibility of pages for your end users.
- A left-side navigation menu, which contains resources based on which tab you're viewing.
- A right-side menu that lists resources and properties for selected resources in the **Pages** and **Automations** tabs.

- A debug console that displays warnings and errors at the bottom of the builder. There might be errors present in your generated app. This is likely due to automations that require a configured connector to perform actions, such as sending an email with Amazon Simple Email Service.
- An **Ask AI** chat window to get contextual help from the AI builder assistant.

Let's take a closer look at the **Pages**, **Automations**, and **Data** tabs.

#### **Explore pages and components**

The **Pages** tab shows pages and their components that were generated for you.

Each page represents a screen of your application's user interface (UI) that your users will interact with. On these pages, you can find various components (such as tables, forms, and buttons) to create the desired layout and functionality.

Take some time to view the pages and their components by using the left-side navigation menu. When you select a page or component, you can choose **Properties** on the right-side menu.

#### **Explore automations and actions**

The **Automations** tab shows automations and their actions that were generated for you.

Automations define the business logic of your app, such as creating, viewing, updating, or deleting data entries, sending emails, or even invoking APIs or Lambda functions.

Take some time to view the automations by using the left-side navigation menu. When you choose an automation, you can view its properties on the right-side **Properties** menu. An automation contains the following resources:

- Automations are made up of individual actions, which are the building blocks of your app's business logic. You can view the actions of an automation on the left-side navigation menu, or in the canvas of a selected automation. When you select an action, you can view its properties on the right-side **Properties** menu.
- Automation parameters are how data is passed into an automation. Parameters act as
  placeholders that are replaced with actual values when the automation is run. This allows you to
  use the same automation with different inputs each time.
- Automation output is where you configure the result of an automation. By default, an
  automation has no output, so to use an automation's result in components or other automations,
  you must define them here.

### **Explore data with entities**

The **Data** tab shows entities that were generated for you.

Entities represent tables that hold your application's data, similar to tables in a database. Instead of connecting your application's user interface (UI) and automations directly to data sources, they connect to entities first. Entities act as an intermediary between your actual data source and your App Studio app. This provides a single place to manage and access your data.

Take some time to view the entities that were generated by choosing them from the left-side navigation menu. You can review the following details:

- The **Configuration** tab shows the entity name and its fields, which represent the columns of your entity.
- The **Data actions** tab shows the data actions that were generated with your entity. Components and automations can use data actions to fetch data from your entity.
- The **Sample data** tab shows sample data, which you can use to test your app in the Development environment (which doesn't communicate with external services). For more information about environments, see <u>Application environments</u>.
- The **Connection** tab shows information about the external data sources that the entity is connected to. App Studio provides a managed data storage solution that uses a DynamoDB table. For more information, see <u>Managed data entities in AWS App Studio</u>.

## Step 3: Preview your application

You can preview an application in App Studio to see how it appears to users. You can also test its functionality by using it and checking logs in a debug panel.

The application preview environment doesn't support displaying live data or the connection with external resources with connectors, such as data sources. Instead, you can use sample data and mocked output to test functionality.

#### To preview your app for testing

- 1. In the top-right corner of the app builder, choose **Preview**.
- 2. Interact with the pages of your app.

## Next steps

Now that you've created your first app, here are some next steps:

- For another getting started walkthrough that includes images, see the blog post <u>Build</u> enterprise-grade applications with natural language using AWS App Studio (preview).
- Apps use connectors to send and receive data, or to communicate with external services (both AWS services and third-party services). It's necessary to learn more about connectors and how to configure them to build apps. Note that you must have the **Admin** role to manage connectors. To learn more, see Connect App Studio to other services with connectors.
- To learn more about previewing, publishing, and eventually sharing your app to end users, see <u>Previewing</u>, publishing, and sharing applications.
- Keep exploring and updating the app that you generated for some hands-on experience.
- To learn more about building apps, check out the <u>Builder documentation</u>. Specifically, the following topics might be useful to explore:
  - <u>Automation actions reference</u>
  - <u>Components reference</u>
  - Interacting with Amazon Simple Storage Service with components and automations
  - Security considerations and mitigations

## Tutorial: Start building from an empty app

In this tutorial, you'll build an internal Customer Meeting Request application using AWS App Studio. You'll learn about how to build apps in App Studio, while focusing on real-world use cases and hands-on examples. Also, you'll learn about defining data structures, UI design, and app deployment.

#### Note

This tutorial details how to build an app from scratch, starting with an empty app. Typically, it's much quicker and easier to use AI to help generate an app and its resources by providing a description of the app you want to create. For more information, see <u>Tutorial</u>: <u>Generate an app using AI</u>. The key to understanding how to build applications with App Studio is to understand the following four core concepts and how they work together: **components**, **automations**, **data**, and **connectors**.

- **Components**: Components are the building blocks of your application's user interface. They represent visual elements like tables, forms, and buttons. Each component has its own set of properties, which you can customize to fit your specific requirements.
- Automations: With automations, you can define the logic and workflows that govern how your application behaves. You can use automations to create, update, read, or delete rows in a data table or to interact with objects in an Amazon S3 bucket. You can also use them to handle tasks like data validation, notifications, or integrations with other systems.
- **Data**: Data is the information that powers your application. In App Studio, you can define data models, called *entities*. Entities represent the different types of data that you need to store and work with, such as customer meeting requests, agendas, or attendees. You can connect these data models to a variety of data sources, including AWS services and external APIs, by using App Studio connectors.
- Connectors: App Studio provides connections with a wide range of data sources, which include AWS services such as Aurora, DynamoDB, and Amazon Redshift. The data sources also include third-party services such as Salesforce, or many others using OpenAPI or generic API connectors. You can use App Studio connectors to easily incorporate data and functionality from these enterprise-grade services and external applications into your applications.

As you progress through the tutorial, you'll explore how the key concepts of components, data, and automation come together to build your internal Customer Meeting Request application.

The following are high-level steps that describe what you'll do in this tutorial:

- 1. **Start with data**: Many applications begin with a data model, so this tutorial begins with data as well. To build the Customer Meeting Request app, you'll start by creating a MeetingRequests entity. This entity represents the data structure for storing all the relevant meeting request information, such as customer name, meeting date, agenda, and attendees. This data model serves as the foundation for your application, and powers the various components and automations you'll build.
- 2. Create your user interface (UI): With the data model in place, the tutorial then guides you through building the user interface (UI). In App Studio, you build the UI by adding *pages* and adding *components* to them. You'll add components like *Tables*, *Detail views*, and *Calendars* to a meeting request dashboard page. These components will be designed to display and interact

with the data stored in the MeetingRequests entity. This allows your users to view, manage, and schedule customer meetings. You will also create a meeting request creation page. This page includes a *Form* component to collect data and a *Button* component to submit it.

- 3. Add business logic with automations: To enhance the functionality of your application, you'll configure some of the components to enable user interactions. Some examples are navigating to a page or creating a new meeting request record in the MeetingRequests entity.
- 4. Enhance with validation and expressions: To ensure the integrity and accuracy of your data, you'll add validation rules to the *Form* component. This will help make sure that users provide complete and valid information when creating new meeting request records. Also, you'll use expressions to reference and manipulate data within your application so you can display dynamic and contextual information throughout your user interface.
- 5. **Preview and test**: Before deploying your application, you'll have the opportunity to preview and test it thoroughly. This will allow you to verify that the components, data, and automations are all working together seamlessly. This provides your users with a smooth and intuitive experience.
- 6. Publish the application: Finally, you'll deploy your completed internal Customer Meeting Request application and make it accessible to your users. With the power of the low-code approach in App Studio, you'll have built a custom application that meets the specific needs of your organization, without the need for extensive programming expertise.

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## Prerequisites

Before you get started, review and complete the following prerequisites:

- Access to AWS App Studio. For more information, see <u>Setting up and signing in to AWS App</u> <u>Studio</u>.
- Optional: Review <u>AWS App Studio concepts</u> to familiarize yourself with important App Studio concepts.
- Optional: An understanding of basic web development concepts, such as JavaScript syntax.
- Optional: Familiarity with AWS services.

## Step 1: Create an application

- 1. Sign in to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-hand navigation, choose **Builder hub** and choose **+ Create app**.
- 3. Choose **Start from scratch**.
- 4. In the **App name** field, provide a name for your app, such as **Customer Meeting Requests**.
- 5. If asked to select data sources or a connector, choose **Skip** for the purposes of this tutorial.
- 6. Choose **Next** to proceed.
- 7. (Optional): Watch the video tutorial for a quick overview of building apps in App Studio.
- 8. Choose **Edit app**, which brings you into the App Studio app builder.

## Step 2: Create an entity to define your app's data

Entities represent tables that hold your application's data, similar to tables in a database. Instead of your application's user interface (UI) and automations connecting directly to data sources, they connect to entities first. Entities act as an intermediary between your actual data source and your App Studio app, and provide a single place to manage and access your data.

There are four ways to create an entity. For this tutorial, you will use the App Studio managed entity.

### Create a managed entity

Creating a managed entity also creates a corresponding DynamoDB table that App Studio manages. When changes are made to the entity in the App Studio app, the DynamoDB table is

updated automatically. With this option, you don't have to manually create, manage, or connect to a third-party data source, or designate mapping from entity fields to table columns.

When creating an entity, you must define a **primary key** field. A primary key serves as a unique identifier for each record or row in the entity. This ensures that each record can be easily identified and retrieved without ambiguity. The primary key consists of the following properties:

- Primary key name: A name for the primary key field of the entity.
- Primary key data type: The type of the primary key field. In App Studio, supported primary key types are String for text and Float for a number. A text primary key (like meetingName) would have a type of String, and a numerical primary key (like meetingId) would have a type of Float.

The primary key is a crucial component of an entity because it enforces data integrity, prevents data duplication, and enables efficient data retrieval and querying.

#### To create a managed entity

- 1. Choose **Data** from the top bar menu.
- 2. Choose + Create entity.
- 3. Choose Create App Studio managed entity.
- 4. In the **Entity name** field, provide a name for your entity. For this tutorial, enter **MeetingRequests**.
- 5. In the **Primary key** field, enter the primary key name label to give to the primary key column in your entity. For this tutorial, enter **requestID**.
- 6. For **Primary key data type**, choose **Float**.
- 7. Choose **Create entity**.

### Add fields to your entity

For each field, you will specify the **display name**, which is the label that is visible to app users. The display name can contain spaces and special characters, but it must be unique within the entity. The display name serves as a user-friendly label for the field, and helps users easily identify and understand its purpose.

Next, you'll provide the **system name**, a unique identifier used internally by the application to reference the field. The system name should be concise, with no spaces or special characters.

The system name allows the application to make changes to the field's data. It acts as a unique reference point for the field within the application.

Finally, you'll select the **data type** that best represents the kind of data you want to store in the field, such as String (text), Boolean (true/false), Date, Decimal, Float, Integer, or DateTime. Defining the appropriate data type ensures data integrity and enables proper handling and processing of the field's values. For instance, if you're storing customer names in your meeting request, you would select the String data type to accommodate text values.

#### To add fields to your MeetingRequests entity

- Choose + Add field to add the following four fields:
  - a. Add a field that represents a customer's name with the following information:
    - Display name: Customer name
    - System name: customerName
    - Data type: String
  - b. Add a field that represents the meeting date with the following information:
    - Display name: Meeting date
    - System name: meetingDate
    - Data type: DateTime
  - c. Add a field that represents the meeting agenda with the following information:
    - Display name: Agenda
    - System name: agenda
    - Data type: String
  - d. Add a field to represent the meeting attendees with the following information:
    - Display name: Attendees
    - System name: attendees
    - Data type: String

You can add sample data to your entity that you can use to test and preview your application before publishing it. By adding up to 500 rows of mock data, you can simulate real-world scenarios and examine how your application handles and displays various types of data, without relying on actual data or connecting to external services. This helps you to identify and resolve any issues or inconsistencies early in the development process. This ensures that your application functions as intended when dealing with actual data.

#### To add sample data to your entity

- 1. Choose the **Sample data** tab in the banner.
- 2. Choose Generate more sample data.
- 3. Choose Save.

Optionally, choose **Connection** in the banner to review the details about the connector and the DynamoDB table created for you.

## Step 3: Design the user interface (UI) and logic

#### Add a meeting request dashboard page

In App Studio, each page represents a screen of your application's user interface (UI) that your users will interact with. Within these pages, you can add various components such as tables, forms, and buttons to create the desired layout and functionality.

Newly created applications come with a default page, so you'll rename that one instead of adding a new one to use as a simple meeting request dashboard page.

#### To rename the default page

- 1. In the top bar navigation menu, choose **Pages**.
- 2. In the left-side panel, double-click **Page1**, rename it to **MeetingRequestsDashboard**, and press **Enter**.

Now, add a table component to the page that will be used to display meeting requests.

#### To add a table component to the meeting requests dashboard page

- 1. In the right-hand **Components** panel, locate the **Table** component and drag it onto the canvas.
- 2. Choose the table in the canvas to select it.
- 3. In the right-side **Properties** panel, update the following settings:

- a. Choose the pencil icon to rename the table to **meetingRequestsTable**.
- b. In the **Source** dropdown, choose **Entity**.
- c. In the **Data actions** dropdown, choose the entity you created (MeetingRequests) and choose + Add data actions.
- 4. If prompted, choose **getAll**.

#### 🚯 Note

The **getAll** data action is a specific type of data action that retrieves all the records (rows) from a specified entity. When you associate the getAll data action with a table component, for example, the table automatically populates with all the data from the connected entity, and displays each record as a row in the table.

### Add a meeting request creation page

Next, create a page that contains a form that end users will use to create meeting requests. You will also add a submit button that creates the record in the MeetingRequests entity, and then navigates the end user back to the MeetingRequestsDashboard page.

#### To add a meeting request creation page

- 1. In the top banner, choose **Pages**.
- 2. In the left-side panel, choose + Add.
- 3. In the right-side properties panel, select the pencil icon and rename the page to **CreateMeetingRequest**.

Now that the page is added, you will add a form to the page that end users will use to input information to create a meeting request in the MeetingRequests entity. App Studio offers a method of generating a form from an existing entity, which autopopulates the form fields based on the entity's fields and also generates a submit button for creating a record in the entity with the form inputs.

#### To automatically generate a form from an entity on the meeting request creation page

1. On the right-side **Components** menu, find the **Form** component and drag it onto the canvas.

- 2. Select Generate form.
- 3. From the dropdown, select the MeetingRequests entity.
- 4. Choose Generate.
- 5. Choose the **Submit** button on the canvas to select it.
- 6. In the right-side properties panel, in the **Triggers** section, choose **+ Add**.
- 7. Choose Navigate.
- 8. In the right-side properties panel, change the **Action name** to something descriptive, such as **Navigate to MeetingRequestsDashboard**.
- 9. Change the Navigation type to page. In the Navigate to dropdown, choose MeetingRequestsDashboard.

Now that we have a meeting request creation page and form, we want to make it easy to navigate to this page from the MeetingRequestsDashboard page, so that end users reviewing the dashboard can easily create meeting requests. Use the following procedure to create a button on the MeetingRequestsDashboard page that navigates to the CreateMeetingRequest page.

#### To add a button to navigate from MeetingRequestsDashboard to CreateMeetingRequest

- 1. In the top banner, choose **Pages**.
- 2. Choose the MeetingRequestsDashboard page.
- 3. In the right-side **Components** panel, find the **Button** component, drag it onto the canvas, and place it above the table.
- 4. Choose the newly added button to select it.
- 5. In the right-side **Properties** panel, update the following settings:
  - a. Select the pencil icon to rename the button to **createMeetingRequestButton**.
  - b. Button label: Create Meeting Request. This is the name that end users will see.
  - c. In the **Icon** dropdown, select + **Plus**.
  - d. Create a trigger that navigates the end user to the MeetingRequestsDashboard page:
    - 1. In the **Triggers** section, choose **+ Add**.
    - 2. In Action Type, select Navigate.
    - 3. Choose the trigger that you just created to configure it.

- 4. In Action name, provide a descriptive name such as NavigateToCreateMeetingRequest.
- 5. In the Navigate type dropdown, select Page.
- 6. In the **Navigate to** dropdown, select the CreateMeetingRequest page.

## Step 4: Preview the application

You can preview an application in App Studio to see how it will appear to users. Also, you can test its functionality by using it and checking logs in a debug panel.

The application preview environment doesn't support displaying live data. It also doesn't support the connection with external resources with connectors, such as data sources. Instead, you can use sample data and mocked output to test functionality.

#### To preview your app for testing

- 1. In the top-right corner of the app builder, choose **Preview**.
- 2. Interact with the MeetingRequestsDashboard page, and test the table, form, and buttons.

## Step 5: Publish the application to the Testing environment

Now that you're done creating, configuring, and testing your application, it's time to publish it to the **Testing** environment to perform final testing and then share it with users.

#### To publish your app to the Testing environment

- 1. In the top-right corner of the app builder, choose **Publish**.
- 2. Add a version description for the Testing environment.
- 3. Review and select the checkbox regarding the SLA.
- 4. Choose **Start**. Publishing might take up to 15 minutes.
- 5. (Optional) When you're ready, you can give others access by choosing **Share** and following the prompts.

#### 🚺 Note

To share apps, an Admin must have created end-user groups.

After testing, choose **Publish** again to promote the application to the Production environment. For more information about the different application environments, see <u>Application environments</u>.

## **Next steps**

Now that you've created your first app, here are some next steps:

- 1. Keep building the tutorial app. Now that you have data, some pages, and an automation configured, you can add additional pages and add components to learn more about building apps.
- 2. To learn more about building apps, see the <u>Builder documentation</u>. Specifically, the following topics might be useful to explore:
  - <u>Automation actions reference</u>
  - Components reference
  - Interacting with Amazon Simple Storage Service with components and automations
  - Security considerations and mitigations

In addition, the following topics contain more information about concepts discussed in the tutorial:

- Previewing, publishing, and sharing applications
- Creating an entity in an App Studio app

# **Administrator documentation**

The following topics contain information to help users who are managing third-party service connections and access, users, and roles in App Studio.

#### Topics

- Managing access and roles in App Studio
- Connect App Studio to other services with connectors
- Deleting an App Studio instance

# Managing access and roles in App Studio

One of the responsibilities of administrators in App Studio is to manage access, roles, and permissions. The following topics contain information about the roles in App Studio, and how to add users, remove users, or change their role.

Access to AWS App Studio is managed using IAM Identity Center groups. To add users to your App Studio instance, you must either:

- Add them to an existing IAM Identity Center group that is added to App Studio.
- Add them to a new or existing IAM Identity Center group that is not added to App Studio, and then add it to App Studio.

Because roles are applied to groups, the IAM Identity Center groups should represent the access privileges (or roles) you want to assign to members of the group. For more information about IAM Identity Center, including information about managing users and groups, see the <u>IAM Identity</u> <u>Center User Guide</u>.

## **Roles and permissions**

There are three roles in App Studio. The following list contains each role and their description.

• Admin: Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.

- **Builder**: Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.
- **App User**: App Users can access and use published apps, but cannot access your App Studio instance to build apps or manage resources.

In App Studio, roles are assigned to groups, therefore each member of an added IAM Identity Center group will be assigned the role that is assigned to the group.

### **Viewing groups**

Perform the following steps to view the groups added to your App Studio instance.

#### 🚯 Note

You must be an Admin to view groups in your App Studio instance.

#### To view groups added to your App Studio instance

• In the navigation pane, choose **Roles** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing groups as well as each group's assigned role.

For information about managing groups, see <u>Adding users or groups</u>, <u>Changing a group's role</u>, or Removing users or groups from App Studio.

### Adding users or groups

To add users to App Studio, you must add them to an IAM Identity Center group and add that group to App Studio. Perform the following steps to add users to App Studio by adding IAM Identity Center groups and assigning a role.

#### 🚯 Note

You must be an Admin to add users to your App Studio instance.

#### To add users or groups to your App Studio instance

 To add users to your App Studio instance, you must either add them to an existing IAM Identity Center group that has been added to App Studio, or create a new IAM Identity Center group, add the new user to it, and add the new group to App Studio.

For information about managing IAM Identity Center users and groups, see <u>Manage identities</u> in IAM Identity Center in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

- 2. If you added users to an existing IAM Identity Center group that was already added to App Studio, the new user can access App Studio with the designated permissions after completing the setup of their IAM Identity Center permissions. If you created a new IAM Identity Center group, perform the following steps to add the group to App Studio and designate a role for the group's members.
- 3. In the navigation pane, choose **Roles** in the **Manage** section.
- 4. On the **Roles** page, choose **+ Add group**. This will open an **Add groups** dialog box for you to enter information about the group.
- 5. In the **Add groups** dialog box, enter the following information:
  - Choose the existing IAM Identity Center group in the dropdown.
  - Select a role for the group.
    - Admin: Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.
    - **Builder**: Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.
    - **App User**: App Users can access and use published apps, but cannot access your App Studio instance to build apps or manage resources.
- 6. Choose **Assign** to add the group to App Studio and provide its members with the configured role.

## Changing a group's role

Follow these steps to change the role assigned to a group in App Studio. Changing a group's role will change the role of every member in that group.

#### 🚯 Note

You must be an Admin to change the role of a group in App Studio.

#### To change the role of a group

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **Roles** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing groups as well as each group's assigned role.
- 2. Choose the ellipses icon (...) and choose **Change role**.
- 3. In the **Change role** dialog box, select a new role for the group:
  - Administrator: Admins can manage users and groups within App Studio, add and manage connectors, and manage applications created by builders. Additionally, users with the Admin role have all of the permissions included with the Builder role.
  - **Builder**: Builders can create and build applications. Builders cannot manage users or groups, add or edit connector instances, or manage other builders' applications.
  - **App User**: App Users can access and use published apps, but cannot access your App Studio instance to build apps or manage resources.
- 4. Choose **Change** change the group's role.

## **Removing users or groups from App Studio**

You cannot remove an IAM Identity Center group from App Studio. Performing the following instructions will instead downgrade the group's role to **App User**. Members of the group will still be able to access published App Studio apps.

To remove all access to App Studio and its apps, you must either delete the IAM Identity Center group or users in the AWS IAM Identity Center console. For information about managing IAM Identity Center users and groups, see <u>Manage identities in IAM Identity Center</u> in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

#### 🚺 Note

You must be an Admin to downgrade a group's access in App Studio.

#### To remove a group

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **Roles** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing groups as well as each group's assigned role.
- 2. Choose the ellipses icon (...) and choose **Revoke role**.
- 3. In the **Revoke role** dialog box, choose **Revoke** to downgrade the group's role to **App User**.

## **Connect App Studio to other services with connectors**

A **connector** is a connection between App Studio and other AWS services, such as AWS Lambda and Amazon Redshift, or third-party services. Once a connector is created and configured, builders can use it and the resources it connects to App Studio in their applications.

Only users with the Admin role can create, manage, or delete connectors.

#### Topics

- <u>Connect to AWS services</u>
- Connect to third-party services
- Viewing, editing, and deleting connectors

### **Connect to AWS services**

#### Topics

- <u>Connect to Amazon Redshift</u>
- Connect to Amazon DynamoDB
- <u>Connect to AWS Lambda</u>
- Connect to Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3)
- Connect to Amazon Aurora
- <u>Connect to Amazon Bedrock</u>
- <u>Connect to Amazon Simple Email Service</u>
- <u>Connect to AWS services using the Other AWS services connector</u>
- Use encrypted data sources with CMKs

### **Connect to Amazon Redshift**

To connect App Studio with Amazon Redshift to enable builders to access and use Amazon Redshift resources in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Create and configure Amazon Redshift resources
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon Redshift permissions
- 3. Step 3: Create Amazon Redshift connector

#### Step 1: Create and configure Amazon Redshift resources

Use the following procedure to create and configure Amazon Redshift resources to be used with App Studio.

#### To set up Amazon Redshift for use with App Studio

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amazon Redshift console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/redshiftv2/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/redshiftv2/</a>.

We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> managing AWS resources.

- Create a Redshift Serverless data warehouse or a provisiond cluster. For more information, see <u>Creating a data warehouse with Redshift Serverless</u> or <u>Creating a cluster</u> in the *Amazon Redshift User Guide*.
- 3. Once provisioning is complete, choose **Query Data** to open the query editor. Connect to your database.
- 4. Change the following settings:
  - 1. Set **Isolated session** toggle to OFF. This is needed so that you can see data changes made by other users, such as from a running App Studio application.
  - Choose the "gear" icon. Choose Account settings. Increase Maximum concurrent connections to 10. This is the limit on the number of query editor sessions that can connect to a Amazon Redshift database. It does not apply to other clients such as App Studio applications.
- 5. Create your data tables under the public schema. INSERT any initial data into these tables.
- 6. Run the following commands in query editor:

The following command creates a database user and connects it with an IAM role named *AppBuilderDataAccessRole* that is used by App Studio. You will create the IAM role in a later step, and the name here must match the name given to that role.

CREATE USER "IAMR: AppBuilderDataAccessRole" WITH PASSWORD DISABLE;

The following command grants all permissions on all tables to App Studio.

#### 🚯 Note

For best security practices, you should scope down the permissions here to the minimal required permissions on the appropriate tables. For more information about the GRANT command, see GRANT in the Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide.

GRANT ALL ON ALL TABLES IN SCHEMA public to "IAMR: AppBuilderDataAccessRole";

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon Redshift permissions

To use Amazon Redshift resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM policy and role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM policy controls the scope of data that builders can use and what operations can be called against that data, such as Create, Read, Update, or Delete. The IAM policy is then attached to an IAM role that is used by App Studio.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy. For example, if builders are creating two applications backed by different tables in Amazon Redshift, an administrator should create two IAM policies and roles, one for each of the tables in Amazon Redshift.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon Redshift permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon Redshift permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM policies. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> <u>managing AWS resources</u>.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose **Create policy**.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- 5. Type or paste in a JSON policy document. The following tabs contain example policies for both provisioned and serverless Amazon Redshift.

#### 🚯 Note

The following policies apply to all Amazon Redshift resources using the wildcard (\*). For best security practices, you should replace the wildcard with the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the resources you want to use with App Studio.

#### Provisioned

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
      "Sid": "ProvisionedRedshiftForAppStudio",
      "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
            "redshift:DescribeClusters",
            "redshift:GetClusterCredentialsWithIAM",
            "redshift-data:ListDatabases",
            "redshift-data:ListTables",
            "redshift-data:DescribeTable",
            "redshift-data:DescribeStatement",
            "redshift-data:ExecuteStatement",
            "redshift-data:GetStatementResult"
         ],
         "Resource": "*"
      }
   ]
```

}

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
      "Sid": "ServerlessRedshiftForAppStudio",
      "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
            "redshift-serverless:ListNamespaces",
            "redshift-serverless:GetCredentials",
            "redshift-serverless:ListWorkgroups",
            "redshift-data:ListDatabases",
            "redshift-data:ListTables",
            "redshift-data:DescribeTable",
            "redshift-data:DescribeStatement",
            "redshift-data:ExecuteStatement",
            "redshift-data:GetStatementResult"
         ],
         "Resource": "*"
      }
   ]
}
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- On the Review and create page, provide a Policy name, such as RedshiftServerlessForAppStudio or RedshiftProvisionedForAppStudio, and Description (optional).
- 8. Choose **Create policy** to create the policy.

### Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Redshift resources

Now, create an IAM role that uses the policy you previously created. App Studio will use this policy to get access to the configured Amazon Redshift resources.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Redshift resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose Roles
- 3. Choose **Create role**.
- 4. In Trusted entity type, choose Custom trust policy.
- 5. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
          "Effect": "Allow",
          "Principal": {
             "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
          },
          "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
          "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true",
                    }
          }
      }
   ]
}
```

Choose Next.

6. In Add permissions, search for and select the policy that you created in the previous step (RedshiftServerlessForAppStudio or RedshiftProvisionedForAppStudio). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

7. On the Name, review, and create page, provide a Role name and Description.

#### 🛕 Important

The role name here must match the role name used in the GRANT command in <u>Step 1:</u> <u>Create and configure Amazon Redshift resources</u> (*AppBuilderDataAccessRole*).

- 8. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 9. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the Amazon Redshift connector in App Studio.

#### Step 3: Create Amazon Redshift connector

Now that you have your Amazon Redshift resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to Amazon Redshift.

#### 🚯 Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Amazon Redshift

1. Navigate to App Studio.

- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose the Amazon Redshift connector.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Provide a name for your connector.
  - **Description:** Provide a description for your connector.
  - IAM Role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Redshift resources</u>. For more information about IAM, see the <u>IAM User Guide</u>.
  - **Region:** Choose the AWS Region where your Amazon Redshift resources are located.
  - **Compute type:** Choose if you are using Amazon Redshift Serverless or a provisioned cluster.
  - **Cluster or Workgroup selection:** If **Provisioned** is chosen, choose the cluster you want to connect to App Studio. If **Serverless** is chosen, choose the workgroup.
  - Database selection: Choose the database you want to connect to App Studio.
  - Available tables: Select the tables you want to connect to App Studio.
- 6. Choose **Next**. Review the connection information and choose **Create**.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **connectors** list.

#### **Connect to Amazon DynamoDB**

To connect App Studio with DynamoDB to enable builders to access and use DynamoDB resources in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Create and configure DynamoDB resources
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate DynamoDB permissions
- 3. Create DynamoDB connector

#### **Step 1: Create and configure DynamoDB resources**

Use the following procedure to create and configure DynamoDB resources to be used with App Studio.

#### To set up DynamoDB for use with App Studio

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the DynamoDB console at <u>https://</u> <u>console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodb/</u>.

We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> managing AWS resources.

- 2. In the left navigation pane, choose **Tables**.
- 3. Choose **Create table**.
- 4. Enter a name and keys for your table.
- 5. Choose Create table.
- 6. After your table is created, add some items to it so they will appear once the table is connected to App Studio.
  - a. Choose your table, choose **Actions**, and choose **Explore items**.
  - b. In Items returned, choose Create item.
  - c. (Optional): Choose Add new attribute to add more attributes to your table.
  - d. Enter values for each attribute and choose **Create item**.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate DynamoDB permissions

To use DynamoDB resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM policy and role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM policy controls the scope of data that builders can use and what operations can be called against that data, such as Create, Read, Update, or Delete. The IAM policy is then attached to an IAM role that is used by App Studio.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy. For example, if builders are creating two applications backed by the same tables in DynamoDB, one that only requires read access, and one that requires read, create, update and delete; an administrator should create two IAM roles, one using read only permissions, and one with full CRUD permissions to the applicable tables in DynamoDB.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate DynamoDB permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate DynamoDB permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM policies. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> <u>managing AWS resources</u>.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose Create policy.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- Type or paste in a JSON policy document. The following tabs contain example policies for read only and full access to DynamoDB tables, along with examples of policies that include AWS KMS permissions for DynamoDB tables encrypted with an AWS KMS customer-managed key (CMK).

#### 🚯 Note

The following policies apply to all DynamoDB resources using the wildcard (\*). For best security practices, you should replace the wildcard with the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the resources you want to use with App Studio.

#### Read only

The following policy grants read access to the configured DynamoDB resources.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
         "Sid": "ReadOnlyDDBForAppStudio",
         "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
            "dynamodb:ListTables",
            "dynamodb:DescribeTable",
            "dynamodb:PartiQLSelect"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
      }
  ]
}
```

#### Full access

The following policy grants create, read, update, and delete access to the configured DynamoDB resources.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
      "Sid": "FullAccessDDBForAppStudio",
      "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
           "dynamodb:ListTables",
           "dynamodb:DescribeTable",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLSelect",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLInsert",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLUpdate",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLDelete"
         ],
         "Resource": "*"
      }
   ]
}
```

Read only - KMS encrypted

The following policy grants read access to the configured encrypted DynamoDB resources by providing AWS KMS permissions. You must replace the ARN with the ARN of the AWS KMS key.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
        "Sid": "ReadOnlyDDBForAppStudio",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "dynamodb:ListTables",
            "dynamodb:DescribeTable",
            "dynamodb:PartiQLSelect"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
```

```
},
{
    {
        "Sid": "KMSPermissionsForEncryptedTable",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "kms:Decrypt",
            "kms:DescribeKey"
        ],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:us-
west-2:111122223333:key/1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab"
        },
]
```

Full access - KMS encrypted

The following policy grants read access to the configured encrypted DynamoDB resources by providing AWS KMS permissions. You must replace the ARN with the ARN of the AWS KMS key.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
      "Sid": "ReadOnlyDDBForAppStudio",
      "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
           "dynamodb:ListTables",
           "dynamodb:DescribeTable",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLSelect",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLInsert",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLUpdate",
           "dynamodb:PartiQLDelete"
         ],
         "Resource": "*"
      },
      {
      "Sid": "KMSPermissionsForEncryptedTable",
      "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
            "kms:Decrypt",
            "kms:DescribeKey"
```

```
],

"Resource": "arn:aws:kms:us-

west-2:111122223333:key/1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab"

},

]
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- 7. On the **Review and create** page, provide a **Policy name**, such as **ReadOnlyDDBForAppStudio** or **FullAccessDDBForAppStudio**, and **Description** (optional).
- 8. Choose Create policy to create the policy.

#### Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to DynamoDB resources

Now, create an IAM role that uses the policy you previously created. App Studio will use this policy to get access to the configured DynamoDB resources.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to DynamoDB resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In Trusted entity type, choose Custom trust policy.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
"Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
          "Effect": "Allow",
          "Principal": {
             "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
          },
          "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
          "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true",
                    }
          }
      }
   ]
}
```

Choose Next.

5. In Add permissions, search for and select the policy that you created in the previous step (ReadOnlyDDBForAppStudio or FullAccessDDBForAppStudio). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

- 6. On the **Name, review, and create** page, provide a **Role name** and **Description**.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the DynamoDB connector in App Studio.

#### **Create DynamoDB connector**

Now that you have your DynamoDB resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to DynamoDB.

#### í) Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for DynamoDB

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose Amazon DynamoDB from the list of connector types.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your DynamoDB connector.
  - **Description:** Enter a description for your DynamoDB connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to DynamoDB resources</u>. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.
  - **Region:** Choose the AWS Region where your DynamoDB resources are located.
  - Available tables: Select the tables you want to connect to App Studio.
- 6. Choose **Next**. Review the connection information and choose **Create**.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **Connectors** list.

#### **Connect to AWS Lambda**

To connect App Studio with Lambda to enable builders to access and use Lambda resources in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Create and configure Lambda functions
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Lambda resources
- 3. Step 3: Create Lambda connector

#### Step 1: Create and configure Lambda functions

If you don't have existing Lambda functions, you must first create them. To learn more about creating Lambda functions, see the AWS Lambda Developer Guide.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Lambda resources

To use Lambda resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM role controls the resources or operations applications can access from Lambda.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Lambda resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In **Trusted entity type**, choose **Custom trust policy**.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

#### Choose Next.

5. In **Add permissions**, search for and select the policies that grant the appropriate permissions for the role. Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy. For Lambda, you may consider adding the AWSLambdaRole policy, which grants permissions to invoke Lambda functions.

For more information about using IAM policies with Lambda, including a list of managed policies and their descriptions, see <u>Identity and Access Management for AWS Lambda</u> in the *AWS Lambda Developer Guide*.

#### Choose Next.

- 6. On the **Name, review, and create** page, provide a **Role name** and **Description**.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the Lambda connector in App Studio.

#### Step 3: Create Lambda connector

Now that you have your Lambda resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to Lambda.

#### í) Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Lambda

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose **Other AWS Services** from the list of connector types.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your Lambda connector.
  - Description: Enter a description for your Lambda connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Lambda resources</u>. For more information about IAM, see the <u>IAM User Guide</u>.
  - Service: Choose Lambda.
  - **Region:** Choose the AWS Region where your Lambda resources are located.
- 6. Choose Create.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **Connectors** list.

#### **Connect to Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3)**

To connect App Studio with Amazon S3 to enable builders to access and use Amazon S3 resources in applications, perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Create and configure Amazon S3 resources
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon S3 permissions
- 3. Step 3: Create Amazon S3 connector

After you have completed the steps and created the connector with proper permissions, builders can use the connector to create apps that interact with Amazon S3 resources. For more information

about interacting with Amazon S3 in App Studio apps, see <u>Interacting with Amazon Simple Storage</u> Service with components and automations.

#### Step 1: Create and configure Amazon S3 resources

Depending on your app's needs and your existing resources, you may need to create an Amazon S3 bucket for apps to write to and read from. For information about creating Amazon S3 resources, including buckets, see <u>Getting started with Amazon S3</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide*.

To use the <u>S3 upload</u> component in your apps, you must add a cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) configuration to any Amazon S3 buckets you want to upload to. The CORS configuration gives App Studio permission to push objects to the bucket. The following procedure details how to add a CORS configuration to an Amazon S3 bucket using the console. For more information about CORS and configuring it, see <u>Using cross-origin resource sharing (CORS)</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide*.

#### To add a CORS configuration to an Amazon S3 bucket in the console

- 1. Navigate to your bucket in the <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/s3/</u>.
- 2. Choose the **Permissions** tab.
- 3. In Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS), choose Edit.
- 4. Add the following snippet:

```
[
    {
        "AllowedHeaders": [
            "*"
        ],
        "AllowedMethods": [
            "PUT",
            "POST"
        ],
        "AllowedOrigins": [
            "*"
        ],
        "AllowedOrigins": [
            "*"
        ],
        "ExposeHeaders": []
        }
]
```

5. Choose Save changes.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon S3 permissions

To use Amazon S3 resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM policy and role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM policy controls the scope of data that builders can use and what operations can be called against that data, such as Create, Read, Update, or Delete. The IAM policy is then attached to an IAM role that is used by App Studio.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy. For example, if builders are creating two applications backed by different buckets in Amazon S3, an administrator should create two IAM policies and roles, one for each of the buckets.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon S3 permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon S3 permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM policies. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> <u>managing AWS resources</u>.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose **Create policy**.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- 5. Type or paste in a JSON policy document. The following tabs contain example policies for read only and full access to Amazon S3 resources.

#### 🚯 Note

The following policies apply to all Amazon S3 resources using the wildcard (\*). For best security practices, you should replace the wildcard with the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the resources, such as buckets or folders, you want to use with App Studio.

#### Read only

The following policy grants read only access (get and list) to the configured Amazon S3 buckets or folders.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "S3ReadOnlyForAppStudio",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
              "s3:GetObject",
              "s3:ListBucket"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
        }
    ]
}
```

#### Full access

The following policy grants full access (put, get, list, and delete) to the configured Amazon S3 buckets or folders.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
         "Sid": "S3FullAccessForAppStudio",
         "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
            "s3:PutObject",
            "s3:GetObject",
            "s3:ListBucket",
            "s3:DeleteObject"
         ],
         "Resource": "*"
      }
   ]
}
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- 7. On the **Review and create** page, provide a **Policy name**, such as **AWSAppStudioS3FullAccess**, and **Description** (optional).
- 8. Choose **Create policy** to create the policy.

#### Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon S3 resources

To use Amazon S3 resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM role controls the scope of data that builders can use and what operations can be called against that data, such as Create, Read, Update, or Delete.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon S3 resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In **Trusted entity type**, choose **Custom trust policy**.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Principal": {
                "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
        },
            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
            "Condition": {
                "StringEquals": {
                      "StringEquals": {
                      "StringEquals": {
                     "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
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                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                    "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
```

Choose Next.

5. In Add permissions, search for and select the policy that you created in the previous step (S3ReadOnlyForAppStudio or S3FullAccessForAppStudio). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

- 6. On the **Name, review, and create** page, provide a **Role name** and **Description**.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it to create the Amazon S3 connector in App Studio in the next step.

#### Step 3: Create Amazon S3 connector

Now that you have your Amazon S3 resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to Amazon S3.

#### Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Amazon S3

1. Navigate to App Studio.

- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose the **Amazon S3** connector.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your Amazon S3 connector.
  - **Description:** Enter a description for your Amazon S3 connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon S3 resources</u>. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.
  - Region: Choose the AWS Region where your Amazon S3 resources are located.
- 6. Choose **Create**.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **Connectors** list.

#### **Connect to Amazon Aurora**

To connect App Studio with Aurora to enable builders to access and use Aurora resources in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Create and configure Aurora resources
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Aurora permissions
- 3. Step 3: Create Aurora connector in App Studio

App Studio supports the following Aurora versions:

- Aurora MySQL Serverless V1: 5.72
- Aurora PostgreSQL Serverless V1: 11.18, 13.9
- Aurora MySQL Serverless V2: 13.11 or higher, 14.8 or higher, and 15.3 or higher
- Aurora PostgreSQL Serverless V2: 13.11 or higher, 14.8 or higher, and 15.3 or higher

#### Step 1: Create and configure Aurora resources

To use Aurora databases with App Studio, you must first create them and configure them appropriately. There are two Aurora database types supported by App Studio: Aurora PostgreSQL
and Aurora MySQL. To compare the types, see <u>What's the difference between MySQL and</u> <u>PostgreSQL?</u>. Choose the appropriate tab and follow the procedure to set up Aurora for use with App Studio apps.

Aurora PostgreSQL

Use the following procedure to create and configure an Aurora PostgreSQL database cluster to be used with App Studio.

#### To set up Aurora for use with App Studio

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amazon RDS console at <u>https://</u> console.aws.amazon.com/rds/.
- 2. Choose **Create database**.
- 3. Choose Aurora (PostgreSQL Compatible).
- 4. In **Available versions**, choose any version greater than or equal to version 13.11, 14.8, and 15.3.
- 5. In **Settings**, enter a **DB cluster identifier**.
- 6. In **Instance configuration**, choose **Serverless v2** and choose an appropriate capacity.
- 7. In **Connectivity**, select **Enable the RDS Data API**.
- 8. In Database authentication, select IAM database authentication.
- 9. In **Additional configuration**, in **Initial database name**, enter an initial database name for your database.

#### Aurora MySQL

Use the following procedure to create and configure an Aurora MySQL database cluster to be used with App Studio.

Aurora MySQL doesn't support creation from the UI for the versions that support Data API or Serverless v1. To create a Aurora MySQL cluster that supports the Data API, you must use the AWS CLI.

#### 🚯 Note

To use Aurora MySQL databases with App Studio, they must be in a virtual private cloud (VPC). For more information, see <u>Working with a DB cluster in a VPC</u> in the *Amazon Aurora User Guide*.

#### To set up Aurora MySQL for use with App Studio

- 1. If necessary, install the AWS CLI by following the instructions in <u>Install or update to the</u> <u>latest version of the AWS CLI</u> in the AWS Command Line Interface User Guide.
- 2. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amazon RDS console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/rds/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/rds/</a>.
- 3. In the left-side navigation, choose **Subnet groups**.
- 4. Choose Create DB subnet group.
- 5. Fill out the information and create the sunbnet group. For more information about subnet groups and using VPCs, see <u>Working with a DB cluster in a VPC</u> in the *Amazon Aurora User Guide*.
- 6. Run the following AWS CLI command:

```
aws rds create-db-cluster --database-name db_name \
    --db-cluster-identifier db_cluster_identifier \
    --engine aurora-mysql \
    --engine-version 5.7.mysql_aurora.2.08.3 \
    --engine-mode serverless \
    --scaling-configuration
MinCapacity=4,MaxCapacity=32,SecondsUntilAutoPause=1000,AutoPause=true \
    --master-username userName \
    --master-user-password userPass \
    --availability-zones us-west-2b us-west-2c \
    --db-subnet-group-name subnet-group-name
```

Replace the following fields:

- Replace *db\_name* with the desired database name.
- Replace *db\_cluster\_identifier* with the desired database cluster identifier.
- (Optional) Replace the numbers in the scaling-configuration field as desired.

- Replace *userName* with a desired username.
- Replace *userPass* with a desired password.
- In availability-zones, add the availability zones from the subnet group you created.
- Replace *subnet-group-name* with the name of the subnet group you created.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Aurora permissions

To use Aurora resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM policy and attach it to an IAM role that is used to give App Studio permissions to access the configured resources. The IAM policy and role control the scope of data that builders can use and what operations can be called against that data, such as Create, Read, Update, or Delete.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate Aurora permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate Aurora permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose **Create policy**.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- 5. Replace the existing snippet with the following snippet, replacing 111122223333 with the AWS account number in which the Amazon Redshift and Aurora resources are contained.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "BaselineAuroraForAppStudio",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
```

```
"rds-data:ExecuteStatement",
"secretsmanager:GetSecretValue"
],
"Resource": [
"arn:aws:rds:*:111122223333:cluster:*",
"arn:aws:secretsmanager:*:111122223333:secret:rds*"
]
}
]
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- On the Review and create page, provide a Policy name, such as Aurora\_AppStudio and Description (optional).
- 8. Choose **Create policy** to create the policy.

#### Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Aurora resources

Now, create an IAM role that uses the policy you previously created. App Studio will use this policy to get access to the configured Aurora resources.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Aurora resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> <u>resources</u>.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In Trusted entity type, choose Custom trust policy.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace 111122223333 with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as AWS account ID in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
          "Effect": "Allow",
          "Principal": {
             "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
          },
          "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
          "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true",
                    }
          }
      }
   ]
}
```

#### Choose Next.

 In Add permissions, search and select the policy you created earlier (Aurora\_AppStudio). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

- 6. On the Name, review, and create page, provide a Role name and Description.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the Aurora connector in App Studio.

#### Step 3: Create Aurora connector in App Studio

Now that you have your Aurora resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to Aurora.

#### 🚯 Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Aurora

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose the **Amazon Aurora** connector.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your Aurora connector.
  - **Description:** Enter a description for your Aurora connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Aurora resources</u>. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.
  - Secret ARN: Enter the secret ARN of the database cluster. For information about where to find the secret ARN, see <u>Viewing the details about a secret for a DB cluser</u> in the *Amazon Aurora User Guide*.
  - Region: Choose the AWS Region where your Aurora resources are located.
  - Database ARN: Enter the ARN of the database cluster. The ARN can be found in the **Configuration** tab of the database cluster, similar to the secret ARN.
  - Database type: Choose the database type, MySQL or PostgreSQL, that matches the type of database created in <u>Step 1: Create and configure Aurora resources</u>.
  - Database name: Enter the name of the database, which can also be found in the **Configuration** tab of the database cluster.
  - Available tables: Select the tables you want to use with App Studio using this connector.

- 6. Choose **Next** to review or define the entity mappings.
- Choose Create to create the Aurora connector. The newly created connector will appear in the Connectors list.

# **Connect to Amazon Bedrock**

To connect App Studio with Amazon Bedrock so builders can access and use Amazon Bedrock in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Enable Amazon Bedrock models
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon Bedrock permissions
- 3. Step 3: Create Amazon Bedrock connector

#### Step 1: Enable Amazon Bedrock models

Use the following procedure to enable Amazon Bedrock models.

#### To enable Amazon Bedrock models

- Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amazon Bedrock console at <u>https://</u> console.aws.amazon.com/bedrock/.
- 2. In the left navigation pane, choose **Model access**.
- Enable the models that you want to use. For more information, see <u>Manage access to Amazon</u> <u>Bedrock foundation models</u>.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon Bedrock permissions

To use Amazon Bedrock resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM policy and role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM policy controls what resources and what operations can be called against those resources, such as InvokeModel. The IAM policy is then attached to an IAM role that is used by App Studio.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon Bedrock permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon Bedrock permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM policies. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> managing AWS resources.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose **Create policy**.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- 5. Type or paste in a JSON policy document. The following example policy provides InvokeModel on all Amazon Bedrock resources, using the wildcard (\*).

For best security practices, you should replace the wildcard with the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the resources you want to use with App Studio.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "BedrockAccessForAppStudio",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
              "bedrock:InvokeModel"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        }
    ]
}
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- 7. On the **Review and create** page, provide a **Policy name**, such as **BedrockAccessForAppStudio**, and **Description** (optional).
- 8. Choose **Create policy** to create the policy.

#### Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Bedrock

To use Amazon Bedrock with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM role controls the scope of permissions for App Studio apps to use, and is used when creating the connector. We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Bedrock

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In **Trusted entity type**, choose **Custom trust policy**.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
          "Effect": "Allow",
          "Principal": {
             "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
          },
          "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
          "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true",
                    }
          }
      }
   ]
}
```

#### Choose Next.

5. In Add permissions, search for and select the policy that you created in the previous step (BedrockAccessForAppStudio). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

- 6. On the **Name, review, and create** page, provide a **Role name** and **Description**.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the Amazon Bedrock connector in App Studio in the next step.

#### Step 3: Create Amazon Bedrock connector

Now that you have your Amazon Bedrock resources and IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to Amazon Bedrock.

#### 🚯 Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Amazon Bedrock

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose **Other AWS services** from the list of connector types.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your Amazon Bedrock connector.
  - **Description:** Enter a description for your Amazon Bedrock connector.

- IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon Bedrock</u>. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.
- Service: Choose Bedrock Runtime.

#### i Note

**Bedrock Runtime** is used to make inference requests for models hosted in Amazon Bedrock, whereas **Bedrock** is used to manage, train, and deploy models.

- **Region:** Choose the AWS Region where your Amazon Bedrock resources are located.
- 6. Choose Create.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **Connectors** list.

# **Connect to Amazon Simple Email Service**

To connect App Studio with Amazon SES to enable builders to use it to send email notifications from their apps, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Step 1: Configure Amazon SES resources
- 2. Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon SES permissions
- 3. Step 3: Create Amazon SES connector

#### **Step 1: Configure Amazon SES resources**

If you haven't, you must first configure Amazon SES to use it to send emails. To learn more about setting up Amazon SES, see <u>Getting started with Amazon Simple Email Service</u> in the Amazon Simple Email Service Developer Guide.

#### Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate Amazon SES permissions

To use Amazon SES resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM role controls what Amazon SES functions or resources can be used in App Studio apps.

We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### Step 2a: Create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon SES permissions

The IAM policy that you create and use with App Studio should contain only the minimally necessary permissions on the appropriate resources for the application to follow best security practices.

#### To create an IAM policy with appropriate Amazon SES permissions

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM policies. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for</u> managing AWS resources.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Policies**.
- 3. Choose **Create policy**.
- 4. In the **Policy editor** section, choose the **JSON** option.
- 5. Type or paste in the following JSON policy document.

#### 🚯 Note

The following policies apply to all Amazon SES resources using the wildcard (\*). For best security practices, you should replace the wildcard with the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the resources you want to use with App Studio.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "VisualEditor0",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "ses:SendEmail",
            "Resource": "*"
        }
    ]
}
```

- 6. Choose Next.
- 7. On the **Review and create** page, provide a **Policy name**, such as **SESForAppStudioPolicy**, and **Description** (optional).

#### 8. Choose **Create policy** to create the policy.

# Step 2b: Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon SES

Now, create an IAM role that uses the policy you previously created. App Studio will use this policy to get access to Amazon SES.

# To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon SES

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> <u>resources</u>.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose Roles
- 3. Choose Create role.
- 4. In Trusted entity type, choose Custom trust policy.
- 5. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Principal": {
                "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
        },
            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
            "Condition": {
                "StringEquals": {
                     "StringEquals": {
                     "StringEquals": {
                    "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
                "StringEquals": {
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```

Choose Next.

 In Add permissions, search for and select the policy that you created in the previous step (SESForAppStudioPolicy). Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy.

Choose Next.

- 7. On the Name, review, and create page, provide a Role name and Description.
- 8. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 9. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the Amazon SES connector in App Studio.

#### Step 3: Create Amazon SES connector

Now that you Amazon SES and an IAM policy and role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to use Amazon SES in their apps.

#### Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To create a connector for Amazon SES

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.

- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose **Other AWS Services** from the list of connector types.
- 5. Configure your connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Enter a name for your Amazon SES connector.
  - **Description:** Enter a description for your Amazon SES connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role created in <u>Step 2b</u>: <u>Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to Amazon SES</u>. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.
  - Service: Choose Simple Email Service.
  - Region: Choose the AWS Region where your Amazon SES resources are located.
- 6. Choose **Create**.
- 7. The newly created connector will appear in the **Connectors** list.

## Connect to AWS services using the Other AWS services connector

While App Studio offers some connectors that are specific to certain AWS services, you can also connect to other AWS services using the **Other AWS services** connector.

#### Note

It is recommended to use the connector specific to the AWS service if it is available.

To connect App Studio with AWS services to enable builders to access and use the service's resources in applications, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to AWS resources
- 2. Create an Other AWS services connector

#### Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to AWS resources

To use AWS services and resources with App Studio, administrators must create an IAM role to give App Studio permissions to access the resources. The IAM role controls the scope of resources that builders can access and what operations can be called against the resources. We recommend creating at least one IAM role per service and policy.

#### To create an IAM role to give App Studio access to AWS resources

- Sign in to the <u>IAM console</u> with a user that has permissions to create IAM roles. We recommend using the administrative user created in <u>Create an administrative user for managing AWS</u> resources.
- 2. In the navigation pane of the console, choose **Roles** and then choose **Create role**.
- 3. In **Trusted entity type**, choose **Custom trust policy**.
- 4. Replace the default policy with the following policy to allow App Studio applications to assume this role in your account.

You must replace the following placeholders in the policy. The values to be used can be found in App Studio, in the **Account settings** page.

- Replace *111122223333* with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as **AWS account ID** in the account settings in your App Studio instance.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
      {
          "Effect": "Allow",
          "Principal": {
             "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
          },
          "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
          "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true",
                    }
          }
      }
   ]
}
```

## Choose Next.

5. In **Add permissions**, search and select the policies that grant the appropriate permissions for the role. Choosing the + next to a policy will expand the policy to show the permissions granted by it and choosing the checkbox selects the policy. For more information about IAM, see the IAM User Guide.

Choose Next.

- 6. In **Role details**, provide a name and description.
- 7. In **Step 3: Add tags**, choose **Add new tag** to add the following tag to provide App Studio access:
  - Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
  - Value: true
- 8. Choose **Create role** and make note of the generated Amazon Resource Name (ARN), you will need it when creating the **Other AWS services** connector in App Studio.

#### Create an Other AWS services connector

Now that you have your IAM role configured, use that information to create the connector in App Studio that builders can use to connect their apps to the service and resources.

#### 🚯 Note

You must have the Admin role in App Studio to create connectors.

#### To connect to AWS services using the Other AWS services connector

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section.
- 3. Choose + Create connector.
- 4. Choose **Other AWS services** in the **AWS connectors** section of the supported services list.
- 5. Configure your AWS service connector by filling out the following fields:
  - Name: Provide a name for your connector.
  - **Description:** Provide a description for your connector.
  - IAM role: Enter the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) from the IAM role that was created in Create an IAM role to give App Studio access to AWS resources.

- Service: Select the AWS service you want to connect to App Studio.
- **Region:** Select the AWS Region where your AWS resources are located.
- 6. Choose **Create**. The newly created connector will appear in the connectors list.

# Use encrypted data sources with CMKs

This topic contains information about setting up and connecting App Studio to data sources that are encrypted using a <u>AWS KMS Customer Managed Key (CMK)</u>.

#### Contents

- Using encrypted managed data storage tables
- Using encrypted DynamoDB tables

#### Using encrypted managed data storage tables

Use the following procedure to encrypt the DynamoDB tables used by managed storage entities in your App Studio apps. For more information about managed data entities, see <u>Managed data</u> entities in AWS App Studio.

#### To use encrypted managed data storage tables

- 1. If necessary, create the managed data entities in an application in App Studio. For more information, see Creating an entity with an App Studio managed data source.
- 2. Add a policy statement with permissions to encrypt and decrypt table data with your CMK to the AppStudioManagedStorageDDBAccess IAM role by performing the following steps:
  - a. Open the IAM console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/</a>.

#### <u> Important</u>

You must use the same account used to create your App Studio instance.

- b. In the navigation pane of the IAM console, choose **Roles**.
- c. Choose AppStudioManagedStorageDDBAccess.
- d. In **Permissions policies**, choose **Add permissions** and then choose **Create inline policy**.
- e. Choose **JSON** and replace the contents with the following policy, replacing the following:

- Replace 111122223333 with the AWS account number of the account used to set up the App Studio instance, listed as AWS account ID in the account settings in your App Studio instance.
- Replace *CMK\_id* with CMK ID. To find it, see <u>Find the key ID and key ARN</u>.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "connector_cmk_support",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [ "kms:Decrypt", "kms:Encrypt"],
            "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:us-west-2:11122223333:key/CMK_id"
        }
    ]
}
```

- 3. Encrypt the DynamoDB tables that are used by your App Studio managed data entities by performing the following steps:
  - a. Open the Amazon DynamoDB console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/dynamodbv2/</a>.
  - b. Choose the table you want to encrypt. You can find the table name in the **Connection** tab of the corresponding entity in App Studio.
  - c. Choose Additional settings.
  - d. In Encryption, choose Manage encryption.
  - e. Choose Stored in your account, and owned and managed by you and select your CMK.
- 4. Test your changes by republishing your app and ensuring that reading and writing data works in both the Testing and Production environments, and using this table in another entity works as expected.

#### 🚯 Note

Any newly added managed data entities use the DynamoDB managed key by default, and must be updated to using the CMK by following the previous steps.

#### Using encrypted DynamoDB tables

Use the following procedure to configure encrypted DynamoDB tables to be used in your App Studio apps.

#### To use encrypted DynamoDB tables

- 1. Follow the instructions in <u>Step 1: Create and configure DynamoDB resources</u> with the following changes:
  - Configure your tables to be encrypted. For more information, see <u>Specifying the</u> encryption key for a new table in the Amazon DynamoDB Developer Guide.
- 2. Follow the instructions in <u>Step 2: Create an IAM policy and role with appropriate DynamoDB</u> <u>permissions</u>, and then update the permission policy on the new role by adding a new policy statement with permits it to encrypt and decrypt table data using your CMK by performing the following steps:
  - a. If necessary, navigate to your role in the IAM console.
  - b. In **Permissions policies**, choose **Add permissions** and then choose **Create inline policy**.
  - c. Choose **JSON** and replace the contents with the following policy, replacing the following:
    - Replace team\_account\_id with your App Studio team ID, which can be found in your account settings.
    - Replace *CMK\_id* with CMK ID. To find it, see <u>Find the key ID and key ARN</u>.

```
{
   "Version": "2012-10-17",
   "Statement": [
    {
        "Sid": "connector_cmk_support",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [ "kms:Decrypt", "kms:Encrypt"],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:kms:us-west-2:team_account_id:key/CMK_id"
    }
]
```

3. Create the connector by following the instructions in <u>Create DynamoDB connector</u> and using the role you created earlier.

4. Test the configuration by publishing an app that uses the DynamoDB connector and table to Testing or Production. Ensure that reading and writing data works, and using this table to create another entity works as well.

## 🚺 Note

When any new DynamoDB tables are created, you must configure them to be encrypted using a CMK by following the previous steps.

# **Connect to third-party services**

# Topics

- OpenAPI Connector vs. API Connector
- Connect to third-party services and APIs (generic)
- <u>Connect to services with OpenAPI</u>
- <u>Connect to Salesforce</u>

# **OpenAPI Connector vs. API Connector**

To send API requests to third-party services from App Studio applications, you must create and configure a connector that the application uses to authenticate with the service and configure the API calls. App Studio provides both the API Connector and OpenAPI Connector connector types to accomplish this, which are described as follows:

- API Connector: Used to configure authentication and request information for any type of REST API.
- **OpenAPI Connector:** Used to configure authentication and request information for APIs that have adopted the OpenAPI Specification (OAS). APIs that adhere to the OAS provide several benefits, including standardization, security, governance, and documentation.

App Studio recommends using the OpenAPI Connector for any APIs that adhere to the OAS, and provide an OpenAPI Specification File. For more information about OpenAPI, see <u>What is OpenAPI</u>? in the Swagger documentation.

# Connect to third-party services and APIs (generic)

Use the following procedure to create a generic **API Connector** in App Studio. The **API Connector** is used to provide App Studio apps with access to third-party services, resources, or operations.

#### To connect to third-party services with the API Connector

- 1. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 2. Choose + Create connector.
- 3. Choose **API Connector**. Now, configure your connector by filling out the following fields.
- 4. **Connector name:** Provide a name for your connector.
- 5. Connector description: Provide a description for your connector.
- 6. **Base URL:** The website or host of the third-party connection. For example, www.slack.com.
- 7. **Authentication method:** Choose the method for authenticating with the target service.
  - None: Access the target service with no authentication.
  - **Basic:** Access the target service using a **Username** and **Password** obtained from the service being connected to.
  - **Bearer Token:** Access the target service using the **Token value** of an authentication token obtained from the service's user account or API settings.
  - **OAuth 2.0:** Access the target service using the OAuth 2.0 protocol, which grants App Studio access to the service and resources without sharing any credentials or identity. To use the OAuth 2.0 authentication method, you must first create an application from the service being connected to that represents App Studio to obtain the necessary information. With that information, fill out the following fields:
    - a. **Client credentials flow:** Ideal for system-to-system interactions where the application acts on its own behalf without user interaction. For example, a CRM app that updates Salesforce records automatically based on new records added by users, or an app that retrieves and displays transaction data in reports.
      - 1. In **Client ID**, enter the ID obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.
      - 2. In **Client secret**, enter the secret obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.

- 3. In **Access token URL**, enter the token URL obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.
- 4. Optionally, in **Scopes**, enter the scopes for the application. Scopes are permissions or access levels required by the application. Refer to the target service's API documentation to understand their scopes, and configure only those that your App Studio app needs.

Choose **Verify connection** to test the authentication and connection.

- b. **Authorization code flow:** Ideal for applications that require acting on behalf of a user. For example, a customer support app where users log in and view and update support tickets, or a sales app where each team members logs in to view and manage their sales data.
  - 1. In **Client ID**, enter the ID obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.
  - 2. In **Client secret**, enter the secret obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.
  - 3. In **Authorization URL**, enter the authorization URL from the target service.
  - 4. In **Access token URL**, enter the token URL obtained from the OAuth app created in the target service.
  - 5. Optionally, in **Scopes**, enter the scopes for the application. Scopes are permissions or access levels required by the application. Refer to the target service's API documentation to understand their scopes, and configure only those that your App Studio app needs.
- 8. **Headers:** Add HTTP headers that are used to provide metadata about the request or response. You can add both keys and values, or only provide a key to which the builder can provide a value in the application.
- 9. **Query parameters:** Add query parameters that are used to pass options, filters, or data as part of the request URL. Like headers, you can provide both a key and value, or only provide a key to which the builder can provide a value in the application.
- 10. Choose Create. The newly created connector will appear in the Connectors list.

Now that the connector is created, builders can use it in their apps.

# **Connect to services with OpenAPI**

To connect App Studio with services using OpenAPI to enable builders to build applications that send requests and receive responses from the services, perform the following steps:

- 1. Get the OpenAPI Specification file and gather service information
- 2. Create OpenAPI connector

#### Get the OpenAPI Specification file and gather service information

To connect a service to App Studio with OpenAPI, perform the following steps:

1. Go to the service that you want to connect to App Studio and find an OpenAPI Specification JSON file.

## 🚯 Note

App Studio supports OpenAPI Specification files that conform to version OpenAPI Specification Version 3.0.0 or higher.

- 2. Gather the necessary data to configure the OpenAPI connector, including the following:
  - The base URL for connecting to the service.
  - Authentication credentials, such as a token or username/password.
  - If applicable, any headers.
  - If applicable, any query parameters.

## **Create OpenAPI connector**

#### To create a connector for OpenAPI

- 1. Navigate to App Studio.
- 2. In the left-side navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 3. Choose **+ Create connector**.
- 4. Choose **OpenAPI Connector** from the list of connector types. Now, configure your connector by filling out the following fields.

- 5. **Name:** Enter a name for your OpenAPI connector.
- 6. **Description:** Enter a description for your OpenAPI connector.
- 7. Base URL: Enter the base URL for connecting to the service.
- 8. **Authentication method:** Choose the method for authenticating with the target service.
  - None: Access the target service with no authentication.
  - **Basic:** Access the target service using a **Username** and **Password** obtained from the service being connected to.
  - **Bearer Token:** Access the target service using the **Token value** of an authentication token obtained from the service's user account or API settings.
  - **OAuth 2.0:** Access the target service using the OAuth 2.0 protocol, which grants App Studio access to the service and resources without sharing any credentials or identity. To use the OAuth 2.0 authentication method, you must first create an application from the service being connected to that represents App Studio to obtain the necessary information. With that information, fill out the following fields:

#### a. Client credentials flow:

- 1. In **Client ID**, enter the ID from the target service.
- 2. In **Client secret**, enter the secret from the target service.
- 3. In **Access token URL**, enter the token URL from the target service.
- 4. Optionally, in Scopes, enter the scopes for the application. Scopes are permissions or access levels required by the application. Refer to the target service's API documentation to understand their scopes, and configure only those that your App Studio app needs.

Add any **Variables** to be sent with the service with each call, and choose **Verify connection** to test the authentication and connection.

#### b. Authorization code flow:

- 1. In **Client ID**, enter the ID from the target service.
- 2. In **Client secret**, enter the secret from the target service.
- 3. In **Authorization URL**, enter the authorization URL from the target service.
- 4. In **Access token URL**, enter the token URL from the target service.

- 5. Optionally, in **Scopes**, enter the scopes for the application. Scopes are permissions or access levels required by the application. Refer to the target service's API documentation to understand their scopes, and configure only those that your App Studio app needs.
- 9. **Variables:** Add variables to be sent to the service with each call. Variables added during configuration are securely stored and only accessed during runtime of applications that use the connection.
- 10. **Headers:** Add HTTP headers that are used to provide metadata about the request or response. You can add both keys and values, or only provide a key to which the builder can provide a value in the application.
- 11. **Query parameters:** Add query parameters that are used to pass options, filters, or data as part of the request URL. Like headers, you can provide both a key and value, or only provide a key to which the builder can provide a value in the application.
- 12. **OpenAPI Spec File:** Upload an OpenAPI Specification JSON file by dragging and dropping, or choosing **Select a file** to navigate your local file system and choose the file to be uploaded.

Once added, the file is processed and a list of available options are displayed. Select the necessary operations for your connector.

13. Choose Create. The newly created connector will appear in the Connectors list.

Now that the connector is created, builders can use it in their apps.

# **Connect to Salesforce**

To connect App Studio with Salesforce to enable builders to access and use Salesforce resources in applications, you must create and configure a connected app in Salesforce and create a Salesforce connector in App Studio.

#### To connect Salesforce with App Studio

- 1. In App Studio, in the navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with some details about each.
- 2. Choose + Create connector.
- 3. Choose **Salesforce** from the list of connector types to open the connector creation page.
- 4. Take note of the **Redirect URL**, which you will use to configure Salesforce in the following steps.

- 5. The next step is to create a connected app in Salesforce. In another tab or window, navigate to your Salesforce instance.
- 6. In the Quick Find box, search App Manager and then select App Manager.
- 7. Choose New Connected App.
- 8. In **Connected App Name** and **API Name**, enter a name for your app. It does not have to match your App Studio app name.
- 9. Provide contact information as needed.
- 10. In the API (Enable OAuth Settings) section, enable Enable OAuth Settings.
- 11. In Callback URL, enter the Redirect URL you noted earlier from App Studio.
- 12. In **Selected OAuth Scopes**, add the necessary permissions scopes from the list. App Studio can interact with Salesforce REST APIs to perform CRUD operations on five objects: Accounts, Cases, Contacts, Leads, and Opportunities. It is recommended to add **Full access (full)** to ensure that your App Studio app has all relevant permissions or scopes.
- 13. Disable the **Require Proof Key for Code Exchange (PKCE) Extension for Supported Authorization Flows** option. PKCE is not supported by App Studio.
- 14. Enable **Require Secret for Web Server Flow** and **Require Secret for Refresh Token Flow** to follow the best security practices.
- 15. App Studio supports both of the following authentication flows:
  - **Client Credentials Flow**: Ideal for server-to-server interactions where the application acts on its own behalf without user interaction. For example, listing all leads information for a team of temporary employees who do not have Salesforce access.
  - Authorization Code Flow: Suitable for applications that act on behalf of a user, such as personal data access or actions. For example, listing each sales manager's leads sourced or owned by them to perform other tasks through this app.
  - For the Client Credentials Flow:
    - a. Enable **Enable Client Credentials Flow**. Review and confirm the message.
    - b. Save the app.
    - c. You must select an execution user, although there is no user interaction in the flow. By selecting an execution user, Salesforce returns access tokens on behalf of the user.
      - 1. In the **App Manager**, from the list of apps, choose the arrow of the App Studio app and choose **Manage**.

- 2. Choose Edit Policies
- 3. In **Client Credentials Flow**, add the appropriate user.
- For the Authorization Code Flow, enable Enable Authorization Code and Credentials
   Flow
- 16. Salesforce provides a Client ID and Client Secret, which must be used to configure the connector in App Studio in the following steps.
  - a. In the **App Manager**, choose the arrow of the App Studio app and choose **View**.
  - b. In the **API (Enable OAuth Settings)** section, choose **Manage Consumer Details**. This may send an email for a verification key, which you need to enter for confirmation.
  - c. Note the Consumer Key (Client ID) and the Consumer Secret (Client Secret).
- 17. Back in App Studio, configure and create your connector by filling out the following fields.
- 18. In **Name**, enter a name for your Salesforce connector.
- 19. In **Description**, enter a description for your Salesforce connector.
- 20. In Base URL, enter the base URL for your Salesforce instance. It should look like this: https://hostname.salesforce.com/services/data/v60.0, replacing hostname with your Salesforce instance name.
- 21. In Authentication method, ensure OAuth 2.0 is selected.
- 22. In OAuth 2.0 Flow, select the OAuth authentication method and fill out the related fields:
  - Select **Client credentials flow** for use in applications that act on their own behalf, for system-to-system integrations.
    - a. In **Client ID**, enter the **Consumer Key** obtained previously from Salesforce.
    - b. In **Client secret**, enter the **Consumer Secret**, obtained previously from Salesforce.
    - c. In Access token URL, enter the OAuth 2.0 token endpoint. It should look like this: https://hostname/services/oauth2/token, replacing hostname with your Salesforce instance name. For more information, see the <u>Salesforce OAuth Endpoints</u> documentation.
    - d. Choose **Verify connection** to test the authentication and connection.
  - Select Authorization code flow for use in applications that act on behalf of the user.
    - a. In **Client ID**, enter the **Consumer Key** obtained previously from Salesforce.
    - b. In Client secret, enter the Consumer Secret, obtained previously from Salesforce.

- c. In Authorization URL, enter the authorization endpoint. It should look like this: https://hostname/services/oauth2/authorize, replacing hostname with your Salesforce instance name. For more information, see the <u>Salesforce OAuth</u> <u>Endpoints</u> documentation.
- d. In Access token URL, enter the OAuth 2.0 token endpoint. It should look like this: https://hostname/services/oauth2/token, replacing hostname with your Salesforce instance name. For more information, see the <u>Salesforce OAuth Endpoints</u> documentation.
- 23. In **Operations**, select the Salesforce operations that your connector will support. The operations in this list are predefined and represent common tasks within Salesforce, such as creating, retrieving, updating, or deleting records from common objects.
- 24. Choose Create. The newly created connector will appear in the Connectors list.

# Viewing, editing, and deleting connectors

#### To view, edit, or delete existing connectors

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **Connectors** in the **Manage** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of existing connectors with the following details for each connector:
  - Name: The name of the connector that was provided during creation.
  - **Description:** The description of the connector that was provided during creation.
  - **Connected to:** The service that the connector is connecting to App Studio. A value of **API** represents a connection to a third-party service.
  - Created by: The user that created the connector.
  - **Date created:** The date that the connector was created.
- 2. To view more details about a connector, or edit or delete a connector, use the following instructions:
  - To see more information about a specific connector, choose **View** for that connector.
  - To edit a connector, choose the dropdown menu next to **View** and choose **Edit**.
  - To delete a connector, choose the dropdown menu next to **View** and choose **Delete**.

# **Deleting an App Studio instance**

Use the procedure in this topic to delete your App Studio instance. If you created resources in other services for use with App Studio, review and delete them as necessary to avoid being charged.

You may want to delete an App Studio instance for the following reasons:

- You no longer want to use App Studio.
- You want to create an App Studio instance in a different AWS Region. Because App Studio only supports having an instance in one Region at a time, you must delete any existing instances to create another one.

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Deleting an App Studio instance also deletes all App Studio resources, such as applications and connectors. Deleting an instance cannot be undone.

#### To delete your App Studio instance

- 1. Open the App Studio console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/appstudio/.
- 2. Select the Region in which your App Studio instance exists.
- 3. In the navigation pane, choose **Instance**.
- 4. Choose Actions to open the dropdown with additional instance actions.
- 5. Choose **Delete App Studio instance**.
- 6. Enter **confirm** and choose **Delete**.
- 7. It may take a while for your instance deletion to process. Once it has been deleted, you will receive a confirmation email. Once you receive the email, you can create another instance if desired.

# **Builder documentation**

The following topics contain information to help users in App Studio who are creating, editing, and publishing applications.

#### Topics

- Tutorials
- Building your App Studio app with generative AI
- Creating, editing, and deleting applications
- Previewing, publishing, and sharing applications
- Pages and components: Build your app's user interface
- Automations and actions: Define your app's business logic
- Entities and data actions: Configure your app's data model
- Page and automation parameters
- Using JavaScript to write expressions in App Studio
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- Building an app with multiple users
- Viewing or updating your app's content security settings

# **Tutorials**

## Topics

- Build an AI text summarizer app with Amazon Bedrock
- Interacting with Amazon Simple Storage Service with components and automations
- Invoking Lambda functions in an App Studio app

# Build an AI text summarizer app with Amazon Bedrock

In this tutorial, you will build an application in App Studio that uses Amazon Bedrock to provide concise summaries of text input from end users. The application contains a simple user interface where users can input any text they want summarized. This could be meeting notes, article content, research findings, or any other textual information. After users enter the text, they can

press a button to send the text to Amazon Bedrock, which will process it using the Claude 3 Sonnet model and return a summarized version.

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  - Add components to the page
  - Configure the page components
- Step 5: Publish the application to the Testing environment
- (Optional) Clean up

# Prerequisites

Before you get started, review and complete the following prerequisites:

- Access to AWS App Studio. Note that you must have the Admin role to create a connector in this tutorial.
- Optional: Review <u>AWS App Studio concepts</u> and the <u>Tutorial: Start building from an empty app</u> to familiarize yourself with important App Studio concepts.

# Step 1: Create and configure an IAM role and App Studio connector

To provide App Studio access to Amazon Bedrock models, you must:

- 1. Enable the Amazon Bedrock models that you want to use in your app. For this tutorial, you will use **Claude 3 Sonnet**, so ensure you enable that model.
- 2. Create an IAM role with appropriate permissions to Amazon Bedrock.
- 3. Create an App Studio connector with the IAM role that will be used in your app.

Go to <u>Connect to Amazon Bedrock</u> for detailed instructions, and return to this tutorial after you have followed the steps and created the connector.

# Step 2: Create an application

Use the following procedure to create an empty app in App Studio that you will build into the text summarizer app.

- 1. Sign in to App Studio.
- 2. Navigate to the builder hub and choose + Create app.
- 3. Choose **Start from scratch**.
- 4. In the **App name** field, provide a name for your app, such as **Text Summarizer**.
- 5. If you're asked to select data sources or a connector, choose **Skip** for the purposes of this tutorial.
- 6. Choose **Next** to proceed.
- 7. (Optional): Watch the video tutorial for a quick overview of building apps in App Studio.
- 8. Choose **Edit app**, which will bring you into the application studio.

## **Step 3: Create and configure an automation**

You define the logic and behavior of an App Studio app in *automations*. Automations consist of individual steps known as *actions*, *parameters* that are used to pass data to the action from other resources, and an *output* that can be used by other automations or components. In this step, you will create an automation that handles the interaction with Amazon Bedrock with the following:

- Inputs: A parameter to pass the text input from the user to the automation.
- Actions: One GenAl Prompt action that sends the text input to Amazon Bedrock and returns the output text summary.
- Outputs: An automation output that consists of the processed summary from Amazon Bedrock, that can be used in your app.

# To create and configure an automation that sends a prompt to Amazon Bedrock and processes and returns a summary

1. Choose the **Automations** tab at the top of the canvas.

- 2. Choose + Add automation.
- 3. In the right-hand panel, choose **Properties**.
- Update the automation name by choosing the pencil icon. Enter InvokeBedrock and press Enter.
- 5. Add a parameter to the automation that will be used to pass the text prompt input from the user into the automation to be used in the request to Amazon Bedrock by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the canvas, in the parameters box, choose + Add.
  - b. In Name, enter input.
  - c. In **Description**, enter any description, such as **Text to be sent to Amazon Bedrock**.
  - d. In **Type**, select **String**.
  - e. Choose **Add** to create the parameter.
- 6. Add a **GenAl Prompt** action by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the right-hand panel, choose **Actions**.
  - b. Choose **GenAl Prompt** to add an action.
- 7. Configure the action by performing the following steps:
  - a. Choose the action from the canvas to open the right-hand **Properties** menu.
  - b. Rename the action to **PromptBedrock** by choosing the pencil icon, entering the name, and pressing enter.
  - c. In **Connector**, select the connector that was created in <u>Step 1: Create and configure an</u> <u>IAM role and App Studio connector</u>.
  - d. In **Model**, choose the Amazon Bedrock model you want to use to process the prompt. In this tutorial, you will choose **Claude 3.5 Sonnet**.
  - e. In **User prompt**, enter {{params.input}}. This represents the input parameter that you created earlier, and will contain the text input by your app users.
  - f. In **System prompt**, enter the system prompt instructions you want to send to Amazon Bedrock. For this tutorial, enter the following:

You are a highly efficient text summarizer. Provide a concise summary of the prompted text, capturing the key points and main ideas.

- In **Temperature**, enter 0. The tempearture determines the randomness or creativity of the output on a scale of 0 to 10. The higher the number, the more creative the response.
- In Max Tokens, enter 4096 to limit the length of the response.
- 8. The output of this automation will be the summarized text, however, by default automations do not create outputs. Configure the automation to create an automation output by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the left-hand navigation, choose the **InvokeBedrock** automation.
  - b. In the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Output**, choose **+ Add**.
  - c. In **Output**, enter **{{results.PromptBedrock.text}}**. This expression returns the contents of the processResults action.

# Step 4: Create pages and components

In App Studio, each page represents a screen of your application's user interface (UI) that your users will interact with. Within these pages, you can add various components such as tables, forms, buttons, and more to create the desired layout and functionality.

#### Rename the default page

The text summarizer app in this tutorial will only contain one page. Newly created applications come with a default page, so you will rename that one instead of adding one.

#### To rename the default page

- 1. In the top bar navigation menu, choose **Pages**.
- 2. In the left-side panel, choose Page1 and choose the Properties panel in the right-side panel.
- 3. Choose the pencil icon, enter **TextSummarizationTool**, and press **Enter**.
- 4. In Navigation label enter TextSummarizationTool.

#### Add components to the page

For this tutorial, the text summarizer app has one page that contains the following components:

- A **Text input** component that end users use to input a prompt to be summarized.
- A **Button** component that is used to send the prompt to Amazon Bedrock.

• A **Text area** component that displays the summary from Amazon Bedrock.

Add a **Text input** component to the page that users will use to input a text prompt to be summarized.

#### To add a text input component

- 1. In the right-hand **Components** panel, locate the **Text input** component and drag it onto the canvas.
- 2. Choose the text input in the canvas to select it.
- 3. In the right-side **Properties** panel, update the following settings:
  - a. Choose the pencil icon to rename the text input to **inputPrompt**.
  - b. In Label, enter Prompt.
  - c. In **Placeholder**, enter **Enter text to be summarized**.

Now, add a **Button** component that users will choose to send the prompt to Amazon Bedrock.

#### To add a button component

- 1. In the right-hand **Components** panel, locate the **Button** component and drag it onto the canvas.
- 2. Choose the button in the canvas to select it.
- 3. In the right-side **Properties** panel, update the following settings:
  - a. Choose the pencil icon to rename the button to **sendButton**.
  - b. In **Button Label**, enter **Send**.

Now, add a **Text area** component that will display the summary returned by Amazon Bedrock.

#### To add a text area component

- 1. In the right-hand **Components** panel, locate the **Text area** component and drag it onto the canvas.
- 2. Choose the text area in the canvas to select it.
- 3. In the right-side **Properties** panel, update the following settings:
- a. Choose the pencil icon to rename the button to **textSummary**.
- b. In **Label**, enter **Summary**.

#### **Configure the page components**

Now that the app contains a page with components, the next step is to configure the components to carry out the appropriate behavior. To configure a component, such as a button, to take actions when it is interacted with, you must add a *trigger* to it. For the app in this tutorial, you will add two triggers to the sendButton button to do the following:

- The first trigger sends the text in the textPrompt component to Amazon Bedrock to be analyzed.
- The second trigger displays the returned summary from Amazon Bedrock in the textSummary component.

#### To add a trigger that sends the prompt to Amazon Bedrock

- 1. Choose the button in the canvas to select it.
- 2. In the right-side **Properties** panel, in the **Triggers** section, choose **+ Add**.
- 3. Choose Invoke Automation.
- 4. Choose the InvokeAutomation1 trigger that was created to configure it.
- 5. In Action Name, enter invokeBedrockAutomation.
- 6. In Invoke Automation, select the InvokeBedrock automation that was created earlier.
- 7. In the parameters box, in the input parameter that was created earlier, enter {{ui.inputPrompt.value}}, which passes the content in the inputPrompt text input component.
- 8. Choose the left arrow at the top of the panel to return to the component properties menu.

Now, you've configured a trigger that invokes the automation to send a request to Amazon Bedrock when the button is clicked, the next step is to configure a second trigger that displays the results in the textSummary component.

#### To add a trigger that displays the Amazon Bedrock results in the text area component

1. In the right-side **Properties** panel of the button, in the **Triggers** section, choose **+ Add**.

- 2. Choose **Run component action**.
- 3. Choose the **Runcomponentaction1** trigger that was created to configure it.
- 4. In Action Name, enter setTextSummary.
- 5. In **Component**, select the **textSummary** component.
- 6. In Action, select Set value.
- 7. In **Set value to**, enter **{{results.invokeBedrockAutomation}}**.

# Step 5: Publish the application to the Testing environment

Typically, while you are building an app, it's good practice to preview it to see how it looks and do initial testing on its functionality. However, because applications don't interact with external services in the preview environment, you'll instead publish the app to the Testing environment to be able to test sending requests and receiving responses from Amazon Bedrock.

#### To publish your app to the Testing environment

- 1. In the top-right corner of the app builder, choose **Publish**.
- 2. Add a version description for the Testing environment.
- 3. Review and select the checkbox regarding the SLA.
- 4. Choose **Start**. Publishing may take up to 15 minutes.
- (Optional) When you're ready, you can give others access by choosing Share and following the prompts. For more information about sharing App Studio apps, see <u>Sharing published</u> <u>applications</u>.

After testing your application, choose **Publish** again to promote the application to the Production environment. Note that apps in the Production environment aren't available to end users until they are shared. For more information about the different application environments, see <u>Application</u> environments.

# (Optional) Clean up

You have now successfully completed the tutorial and built a text summarization app in App Studio with Amazon Bedrock. You can continue to use your app, or you can clean up the resources that were created in this tutorial. The following list contains a list of resources to be cleaned up:

- The Amazon Bedrock connector created in App Studio. For more information, see <u>Viewing</u>, <u>editing</u>, and <u>deleting connectors</u>.
- The text summarizer app in App Studio. For more information, see <u>Deleting an application</u>.
- The IAM role created in the IAM console. For more information, see <u>Delete roles or instance</u> <u>profiles</u> in the AWS Identity and Access Management User Guide.
- If you requested model access to use Claude 3 Sonnet and want to revert access, see <u>Manage</u> access to Amazon Bedrock foundation models in the Amazon Bedrock User Guide.

# Interacting with Amazon Simple Storage Service with components and automations

You can invoke various Amazon S3 operations from an App Studio app. For example, you could create a simple admin panel to manage your users and orders and display your media from Amazon S3. While you can invoke any Amazon S3 operation using the **Invoke AWS** action, there are four dedicated Amazon S3 actions that you can add to automations in your app to perform common operations on Amazon S3 buckets and objects. The four actions and their operations are as follows:

- **Put Object**: Uses the Amazon S3 PutObject operation to add an object an Amazon S3 bucket.
- Get Object: Uses the Amazon S3 GetObject operation to retrieve an object from an Amazon S3 bucket.
- List Objects: Uses the Amazon S3 ListObjects operation to list objects in an Amazon S3 bucket.
- Delete Object: Uses the Amazon S3 DeleteObject operation to delete an object from an Amazon S3 bucket.

In addition to the actions, there is an **S3 upload** component that you can add to pages in applications. Users can use this component to choose a file to upload, and the component calls Amazon S3 PutObject to upload the file to the configured bucket and folder. This tutorial will use this component in place of the standalone **Put Object** automation action. (The standalone action should be used in more complex scenarios that involve additional logic or actions to be taken before or after uploading.)

# Prerequisites

This guide assumes you have completed the following prerequisite:

 Created and configured an Amazon S3 bucket, IAM role and policy, and Amazon S3 connector in order to successfully integrate Amazon S3 with App Studio. To create a connector, you must have the Administrator role. For more information, see <u>Connect to Amazon Simple Storage</u> <u>Service (Amazon S3)</u>.

# Create an empty application

Create an empty application to use throughout this guide by performing the following steps.

#### To create an empty application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications**.
- 2. Choose + Create app.
- 3. In the **Create app** dialog box, give your application a name, choose **Start from scratch**, and choose **Next**.
- 4. In the **Connect to existing data** dialog box, choose **Skip** to create the application.
- 5. Choose **Edit app** to be taken to the canvas of your new app, where you can use components, automations, and data to configure the look and function of your application.

# Create pages

Create three pages in your application to gather or show information.

#### To create pages

- 1. If necessary, choose the **Pages** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 2. In the left-hand navigation, there is a single page that was created with your app. Choose + **Add** twice to create two more pages. The navigation pane should show three total pages.
- 3. Update the name of the **Page1** page by performing the following steps:
  - a. Choose the ellipses icon and choose Page properties.
  - b. In the right-hand **Properties** menu, choose the pencil icon to edit the name.
  - c. Enter FileList and press Enter.

- 4. Repeat the previous steps to update the second and third pages as follows:
  - Rename **Page2** to **UploadFile**.
  - Rename **Page3** to **FailUpload**.

Now, your app should have three pages named **FileList**, **UploadFile**, and **FailUpload**, which are shown in the left-hand **Pages** panel.

Next, you will create and configure the automations that interact with Amazon S3.

# **Create and configure automations**

Create the automations of your application that interact with Amazon S3. Use the following procedures to create the following automations:

- A **getFiles** automation that lists the objects in your Amazon S3 bucket, which will be used to fill a table component.
- A **deleteFile** automation that deletes an object from your Amazon S3 bucket, which will be used to add a delete button to a table component.
- A **viewFile** automation that gets an object from your Amazon S3 bucket and displays it, which will be used to show more details about a single object selected from a table component.

# Create a getFiles automation

Create an automation that will list the files in a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

- 1. Choose the **Automations** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 2. Choose + Add automation.
- 3. In the right-hand panel, choose **Properties**.
- 4. Update the automation name by choosing the pencil icon. Enter **getFiles** and press **Enter**.
- 5. Add a **List objects** action by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the right-hand panel, choose **Actions**.
  - b. Choose List objects to add an action. The action should be named ListObjects1.
- 6. Configure the action by performing the following steps:
  - a. Choose the action from the canvas to open the right-hand **Properties** menu.

- b. For **Connector**, choose the Amazon S3 connector that you created from the prerequisites.
- c. For **Configuration**, enter the following text, replacing *bucket\_name* with the bucket you created in the prerequisites:

```
{
   "Bucket": "bucket_name",
   "Prefix": ""
}
```

#### (i) Note

You can use the Prefix field to limit the response to objects that begin with the specified string.

- 7. The output of this automation will be used to populate a table component with objects from your Amazon S3 bucket. However, by default, automations don't create outputs. Configure the automation to create an automation output by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the left-hand navigation, choose the **getFiles** automation.
  - b. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Automation output**, choose + **Add output**.
  - c. For **Output**, enter **{{results.ListObjects1.Contents}}**. This expression returns the contents of the action, and can now be used to populate a table component.

#### Create a deleteFile automation

Create an automation that deletes an object from a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

- 1. In the left-hand **Automations** panel, choose + **Add**.
- 2. Choose + Add automation.
- 3. In the right-hand panel, choose **Properties**.
- 4. Update the automation name by choosing the pencil icon. Enter **deleteFile** and press **Enter**.
- 5. Add an automation parameter, used to pass data to an automation, by performing the following steps:
  - a. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Automation parameters**, choose **+ Add**.

- b. Choose the pencil icon to edit the automation parameter. Update the parameter name to **fileName** and press **Enter**.
- 6. Add a **Delete object** action by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the right-hand panel, choose Actions.
  - b. Choose **Delete object** to add an action. The action should be named DeleteObject1.
- 7. Configure the action by performing the following steps:
  - a. Choose the action from the canvas to open the right-hand **Properties** menu.
  - b. For **Connector**, choose the Amazon S3 connector that you created from the prerequisites.
  - c. For **Configuration**, enter the following text, replacing *bucket\_name* with the bucket you created in the prerequisites:

```
{
    "Bucket": "bucket_name",
    "Key": params.fileName
}
```

#### Create a viewFile automation

Create an automation that retrieves a single object from a specified Amazon S3 bucket. Later, you will configure this automation with a file viewer component to display the object.

- 1. In the left-hand **Automations** panel, choose **+ Add**.
- 2. Choose + Add automation.
- 3. In the right-hand panel, choose **Properties**.
- 4. Update the automation name by choosing the pencil icon. Enter **viewFile** and press Enter.
- 5. Add an automation parameter, used to pass data to an automation, by performing the following steps:
  - a. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Automation parameters**, choose + Add.
  - b. Choose the pencil icon to edit the automation parameter. Update the parameter name to **fileName** and press **Enter**.
- 6. Add a **Get object** action by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the right-hand panel, choose Actions.

- b. Choose **Get object** to add an action. The action should be named GetObject1.
- 7. Configure the action by performing the following steps:
  - a. Choose the action from the canvas to open the right-hand **Properties** menu.
  - b. For **Connector**, choose the Amazon S3 connector that you created from the prerequisites.
  - c. For **Configuration**, enter the following text, replacing *bucket\_name* with the bucket you created in the prerequisites:



- 8. By default, automations don't create outputs. Configure the automation to create an automation output by performing the following steps:
  - a. In the left-hand navigation, choose the **viewFile** automation.
  - b. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Automation output**, choose **+ Add output**.
  - c. For Output, enter {{results.GetObject1.Body.transformToWebStream()}}. This expression returns the contents of the action.

#### 🚯 Note

You can read the response of S3 GetObject in the following ways:

- transformToWebStream: Returns a stream, which must be consumed to retrieve the data. If used as an automation output, the automation handles this, and the output can be used as a data source of an image or PDF viewer component. It can also be used as an input to another operation, such as S3 PutObject.
- transformToString: Returns the raw data of the automation, and should be used in a JavaScript action if your files contain text content, such as JSON data. Must be awaited, for example: await results.GetObject1.Body.transformToString();
- transformToByteArray: Returns an array of 8-bit unsigned integers. This response serves the purpose of a byte array, which allows storage

and manipulation of binary data. Must be awaited, for example: await
results.GetObject1.Body.transformToByteArray();

Next, you will add components to the pages you created earlier, and configure them with your automations so that users can use your app to view and delete files.

# Add and configure page components

Now that you have created the automations that define the business logic and functionality of your app, you will create components and connect them both.

### Add components to the FileList page

The **FileList** page that you created earlier will be used to display a list of files in the configured Amazon S3 bucket and more details about any file that is chosen from the list. To do that, you will do the following:

- 1. Create a table component to display the list of files. You will configure the table's rows to be filled with the output of the **getFiles** automation you previously created.
- 2. Create a PDF viewer component to display a single PDF. You will configure the component to view a file selected from the table, using the **viewFile** automation you previously created to fetch the file from your bucket.

#### To add components to the FileList page

- 1. Choose the **Pages** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 2. In the left-hand **Pages** panel, choose the **FileList** page.
- 3. On the right-hand **Components** page, find the **Table** component and drag it to the center of the canvas.
- 4. Choose the table component that you just added to the page.
- 5. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, choose the **Source** dropdown and select **Automation**.
- 6. Choose the **Automation** dropdown and select the **getFiles** automation. The table will use the output of the **getFiles** automation as its content.
- 7. Add a column to be filled with the name of the file.
  - a. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, next to **Columns**, choose **+ Add**.

- b. Choose the arrow icon to the right of the **Column1** column that was just added.
- c. For **Column label**, rename the column to **Filename**.
- d. For Value, enter {{currentRow.Key}}.
- e. Choose the arrow icon at the top of the panel to return to the main **Properties** panel.
- 8. Add a table action to delete the file in a row.
  - a. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, next to **Actions**, choose **+ Add**.
  - b. In Actions, rename Button to Delete.
  - c. Choose the arrow icon to the right of the **Delete** action that was just renamed.
  - d. In **On click**, choose **+ Add action** and choose **Invoke automation**.
  - e. Choose the action that was added to configure it.
  - f. For Action name, enter DeleteRecord.
  - g. In **Invoke automation**, select **deleteFile**.
  - h. In the parameter text box, enter **{{currentRow.Key}}**.
  - i. For Value, enter {{currentRow.Key}}.
- 9. In the right-hand panel, choose **Components** to view the components menu. There are two choices for showing files:
  - An **Image viewer** to view files with a .png, .jpeg, or .jpg extension.
  - A **PDF viewer** component to view PDF files.

In this tutorial, you will add and configure the **PDF viewer** component.

- 10. Add the **PDF viewer** component.
  - a. On the right-hand **Components** page, find the **PDF viewer** component and drag it to the canvas, below the table component.
  - b. Choose the **PDF viewer** component that was just added.
  - c. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, choose the **Source** dropdown and select **Automation**.
  - d. Choose the **Automation** dropdown and select the **viewFile** automation. The table will use the output of the **viewFile** automation as its content.
  - e. In the parameter text box, enter {{ui.table1.selectedRow["Filename"]}}.

f. In the right-hand panel, there is also a File name field. The value of this field is used as the header for the PDF viewer component. Enter the same text as the previous step: {{ui.table1.selectedRow["Filename"]}}.

#### Add components to the UploadFile page

The **UploadFile** page will contain a file selector that can be used to select and upload a file to the configured Amazon S3 bucket. You will add the **S3 upload** component to the page, which users can use to select and upload a file.

- 1. In the left-hand **Pages** panel, choose the **UploadFile** page.
- 2. On the right-hand **Components** page, find the **S3 upload** component and drag it to the center of the canvas.
- 3. Choose the S3 upload component that you just added to the page.
- 4. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, configure the component:
  - a. In the **Connector** dropdown, select the Amazon S3 connector that was created in the prerequisites.
  - b. For **Bucket**, enter the name of your Amazon S3 bucket.
  - c. For File name, enter {{ui.s3Upload1.files[0]?.nameWithExtension}}.
  - d. For Max file size, enter 5 in the text box, and ensure that MB is selected in the dropdown.
  - e. In the **Triggers** section, add actions that run after successful or unsuccessful uploads by performing the following steps:

To add an action that runs after successful uploads:

- 1. In **On success**, choose **+ Add action** and select **Navigate**.
- 2. Choose the action that was added to configure it.
- 3. For Navigation type, choose Page.
- 4. For Navigate to, choose FileList.
- 5. Choose the arrow icon at the top of the panel to return to the main **Properties** panel.

To add an action that runs after unsuccessful uploads:

1. In **On failure**, choose + **Add action** and select **Navigate**.

- 2. Choose the action that was added to configure it.
- 3. For Navigation type, choose Page.
- 4. For Navigate to, choose FailUpload.
- 5. Choose the arrow icon at the top of the panel to return to the main **Properties** panel.

### Add components to the FailUpload page

The **FailUpload** page is a simple page containing a text box that informs users that their upload failed.

- 1. In the left-hand **Pages** panel, choose the **FailUpload** page.
- 2. On the right-hand **Components** page, find the **Text** component and drag it to the center of the canvas.
- 3. Choose the text component that you just added to the page.
- 4. On the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Value**, enter **Failed to upload**, **try again**.

# Update your app security settings

Every application in App Studio has content security settings that you can use to restrict external media or resources, or which domains in Amazon S3 you can upload objects to. The default setting is to block all domains. To upload objects to Amazon S3 from your application, you must update the setting to allow the domains you want to upload objects to.

# To allow domains for uploading objects to Amazon S3

- 1. Choose the **App settings** tab.
- 2. Choose the **Content Security Settings** tab.
- 3. For **Connect source**, choose **Allow all connections**.
- 4. Choose Save.

# Next steps: Preview and publish the application for testing

The application is now ready for testing. For more information about previewing and publishing applications, see Previewing, publishing, and sharing applications.

# Invoking Lambda functions in an App Studio app

This tutorial shows you how to connect App Studio to Lambda and invoke Lambda functions from your apps.

# Prerequisites

This guide assumes you have completed the following prerequisites:

1. Created an App Studio app. If you do not have one, you can create an empty app to use in the tutorial. For more information, see <u>Creating an application</u>.

### 🚺 Note

While you don't need a Lambda function to follow this tutorial and learn how to configure it, it may be helpful to have one for ensuring you have correctly configured the app. This tutorial does not contain information about creating Lambda functions. for more information, see the AWS Lambda Developer Guide.

# Create a Lambda connector

To use Lambda functions in your App Studio app, you must use a connector to connect App Studio to Lambda to provide access to your functions. You must be an Administrator to create connectors in App Studio. For more information about creating Lambda connectors, including the steps to create one, see Connect to AWS Lambda.

# Create and configure an automation

Automations are used to define the logic of your application and are made up of actions. To invoke a Lambda function in your app, you first add and configure an *Invoke Lambda* action to an automation. Use the following steps to create an automation and add the *Invoke Lambda* action to it.

- 1. While editing your app, choose the **Automations** tab.
- 2. Choose **+ Add automation**.
- 3. In the right-hand **Actions** menu, choose **Invoke Lambda** to add the step to your automation.

- 4. Choose the new Lambda step in the canvas to view and configure its properties.
- 5. In the right-hand **Properties** menu, configure the step by performing the following steps:
  - a. In **Connector**, select the connector that was created to connect App Studio to your Lambda functions.
  - b. In **Function name**, enter the name of your Lambda function.
  - c. In **Function event**, enter the event to be passed to the Lambda function. Some common use case examples are provided in the following list:
    - Passing an automation parameter's value, such as a file name or other string: varName: params.paramName
    - Passing the result of a previous action: varName: results.actionName1.data[0].fieldName
    - If you add an *Invoke Lambda* action inside a *Loop* action, you can send fields from each iterated item similar to parameters: varName: *currentItem.fieldName*
  - d. The **Mocked output** field can be used for providing mock output to test the app while previewing, where connectors are not active.

# **Configure a UI element to run the automation**

Now that you have an automation that is configured with an action to invoke your Lambda function, you can configure a UI element to run the automation. In this tutorial, you will create a button that runs the automation when clicked.

# 🚯 Tip

You can also run automations from other automations with the *Invoke automation* action.

# To run your automation from a button

- 1. While editing your app, choose the **Pages** tab.
- 2. In the right-hand menu, choose the **Button** component to add a button to the page.
- 3. Choose the new button to configure it.
- 4. In the right-hand **Properties** menu, in **Triggers**, choose **+ Add** and choose **Invoke automation**.
- 5. Choose the new automation invoke trigger to configure it.

6. In **Invoke automation**, select the automation that invokes your Lambda function and configure any parameters that you want to send to the automation.

Now, any user that chooses this button in your app will cause the configured automation to run.

# Next steps: Preview and publish the application for testing

Your application is now ready for testing. When previewing your app in the Development environment, connectors are not active, so you cannot test the automation while previewing as it uses a connector to connect to AWS Lambda. To test your app's functionality that depends on connectors, you must publish the app to the Testing environment. For more information about previewing and publishing applications, see <u>Previewing</u>, <u>publishing</u>, and <u>sharing applications</u>.

# Building your App Studio app with generative AI

AWS App Studio provides integrated generative AI capabilities to accelerate development and streamline common tasks. You can leverage generative AI to generate and edit apps, data models, sample data, and even get contextual help while building apps.

# Generating your app

For an accelerated start, you can generate entire applications using natural language prompts powered by AI. This capability allows you to describe your desired app functionality, and AI will automatically build out the data models, user interfaces, workflows, and connectors. For more information about generating an app with AI, see <u>Creating an application</u>.

# Building or editing your app

While editing your application, you can use the chat to describe changes you want to make and your app is updated automatically. You can choose from the existing sample prompts or enter your own prompt. The chat can be used to add, edit, and remove supported components, and also create and configure automations and actions. Use the following procedure to use AI to edit or build your application.

# To edit your app with AI

- 1. If necessary, edit your app to navigate to the application studio.
- 2. (Optional) Select the page or component that you want to edit with AI.

- 3. Choose **Build with AI** in the bottom left corner to open the chat.
- 4. Enter the changes that you want to make, or choose from the sample prompts.
- 5. Review the changes to be made. If you want the changes to be made, choose **Confirm**. Otherwise, enter another prompt.
- 6. Review summary of the changes.

# Generating your data models

You can automatically generate an entity with fields, data types, and data actions based on the provided entity name. For more information about creating entities, including creating entities using GenAi, see Creating an entity in an App Studio app.

You can also update an existing entity in the following ways:

- Add more fields to an entity. For more information, see Adding, editing, or deleting entity fields.
- Add data actions to an entity. For more information, see Creating data actions.

# Generating sample data

You can generate sample data for your entities based on the entity's fields. This is useful to test your application before connecting external data sources, or testing your application in the Development environment, which doesn't communicate to external data sources. For more information, see Adding or deleting sample data.

Once you publish your app to Testing or Production, your live data sources and connectors are used in those environments.

# **Configuring actions for AWS services**

When integrating with AWS services like Amazon Simple Email Service, you can use AI to generate an example configuration with pre-populated fields based on the selected service. To try it out, In the **Properties** menu of an **Invoke AWS** automation action, expand the **Configuration** field by choosing the double-sided arrow. Then, choose **Generate sample configuration**.

# **Mocking responses**

You can generate mocked responses for AWS service actions. This is helpful for testing your application in the Development environment, which doesn't communicate to external data sources.

# Asking AI for help while building

Within the application studio, you'll find an **Ask AI for help** button on supported resources or properties. Use this to get contextual suggestions, documentation, and guidance related to the current view or selected component. Ask general questions about App Studio, app building best practices, or your specific application use case to receive tailored information and recommendations.

# Creating, editing, and deleting applications

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# **Creating an application**

Use the following procedure to create an application in App Studio.

# To create an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section to navigate to a list of your applications.
- 2. Choose + Create app.
- 3. In the **Create app** dialog box, give your application a name and choose one of the following app creation methods:
  - **Generate an app with AI**: Choose this option to describe your app with natural language, and have AI generate the app and its resources for you.
  - **Start from scratch**: Choose this option to start building from an empty app.
- 4. Choose Next.

- a. In the Connect to existing data dialog box, add any existing data sources to your app by select the Connector that provides App Studio access to the data sources, then select the Tablse, and choose Next. Adding data sources here helps AI generate an optimized app for you. You can skip this step and add data sources later by choosing Skip.
- b. After a brief delay (few minutes) delay, you are taken to the **Generate your app using AI** page, where you can describe the app you want to create.
- c. You can start describing your app in the chat, or you can choose and customize a provided sample prompt.
- d. After your prompt is analyzed, review the app requirements and overview. Use the chat to request any changes, or choose **Start over** to start from an empty prompt.
- e. When ready, choose **Generate app**.
- f. Once generated, preview your app in another tab by choosing Preview app. When you're ready to start editing, you can choose Edit app. Browse through the pages, automations, and data of your application to familiarize yourself with it. Review any errors or warnings in the bottom debug panel. To learn about generating an app using AI, see <u>Tutorial:</u> <u>Generate an app using AI</u>. For general information about how building in App Studio works, see <u>How AWS App Studio works</u>.
- 6. If you chose **Start from scratch**:
  - a. In the Connect to existing data dialog box, add any existing data sources to your app by select the Connector that provides App Studio access to the data sources, then select the Tablse, and choose Next. You can skip this step and add data sources later by choosing Skip.
  - b. Once your app is created, choose Edit app to start editing your app. To learn about building from an empty app, see <u>Tutorial: Start building from an empty app</u>. For general information about how building in App Studio works, see <u>How AWS App Studio works</u>.

# **Importing applications**

You can import a copy of an exported application to your App Studio instance. You can import apps that have been exported from other App Studio instances, or apps from a catalog provided by App Studio. Importing an app from the App Studio app catalog can help you get started on an app with similar functionality, or help you learn about app building in App Studio by exploring the imported app.

When you import an app into your instance, a copy of the original app is created in your instance. After the new app is created, you are navigated to the Development environment of the app, where you can preview it and browse the app's functionality.

# 🔥 Warning

When you import an app, you are importing all of the logic from the application, which could result in undesired or unexpected behavior. For example, there could be destructive queries that delete data from databases you connect to the application. We recommend thoroughly reviewing the application and its configuration, and testing it on non-production assets before connecting production data to it.

### To import an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section to navigate to a list of your applications.
- 2. Choose the dropdown arrow next to + Create app.
- 3. Choose Import app.
- 4. In the **Import app** dialog box, in **Import code**, enter the import code of the application that you want to import. For a list of apps provided by App Studio that can be imported, including app descriptions and import codes, see <u>Importable apps provided by App Studio</u>.
- 5. Choose **Import** to import the app and go to the Development environment of the imported app to view or edit it. For information building apps in App Studio, see <u>How AWS App Studio</u> <u>works</u>

# Importable apps provided by App Studio

App Studio provides apps that can be imported into your instance to help you learn about app building. To see how specific app functionality is implemented in App Studio, you can preview the applications and then browse their configuration in the Development environment.

The following table contains the list of applications, their import codes, and a brief description of the apps. Each app includes a README page that contains information about the app that you can view after you import it.

App name	Description	Import code
Swag Request Survey	An internal swag request application designed for employees to order branded company merchandise. Employees can select items and specify sizes and submit their request through a simple form. This applicati on handles all data through built-in storage, removing the need for external connectio ns.	Swag Request Survey/ ec4f5faf-e2f8-42ee-a b8d-6723d8ca21b2
Sprint Tracking	A sprint management application that teams can use to organize and track software development work. Users can create sprints, add tasks, assign work, and monitor progress through dedicated sprint, track, and task views. This applicati on handles all data through built-in storage, removing the need for external connectio ns.	Sprint Tracking/8f31e160- 771f-48d7-87b0-374 e285e2fbc
Amazon Review Sentiment Tracker	This application is a customer feedback analysis tool that generates sentiment scores from product reviews to help businesses understan d customer satisfaction. The application includes sample data generation utilities for	Amazon Review Sentiment Tracker/60f0dae4-f8e2-4c20- 9583-fa456f5ebfab

App name	Description	Import code
	quick testing and requires an Amazon Bedrock connector for AI-powered insights, while maintaining all other data within the built-in storage system.	
Invoice and Receipt Processing	This receipt processing application saves time and reduces errors by automatin g manual data entry and streamlining document approval workflows. The solution requires Amazon Textract, Amazon S3 and Amazon SES connectors. It uses an Amazon Textract to analyze and extract data from receipts stored in Amazon S3, then processes and emails the extracted information to approvers using Amazon SES.	Invoice and Receipt Processin g/98bde3ae-e454-4b18- a1e6-6f23e8b2a4f1

App name	Description	Import code
Inspection and Inventory Audit	An application for managing warehouse inspections and equipment tracking. Users can conduct pass/ fail equipment assessments by room location, monitor inventory levels, and view inspection history. The application provides a centralized system for tracking both facility inspections and equipment status. This application handles all data through built-in storage, removing the need for external connectio ns.	Inspection and Inventory Audit/cf570a06-1c5 e-4dd7-9ea8-5c04723d687f
Product Adoption Tracker	A comprehensive applicati on for managing product development that centralizes customer feedback, feature requests and customer meeting notes. Teams can track customer interacti ons, organize requirements, and generate Al-powered reports for quarterly roadmap planning. The application includes sample data utilities and leverages Amazon Bedrock for Al insights and Amazon Aurora PostgreSQL for data management.	Product Adoption Tracker/9 b3a4437-bb50-467f-ae9e- d108776b7ca1

App name	Description	Import code
QuickSight Embedding	A demo application that enables users to view analytics while working with the underlying data. The app contains two methods for embedding Amazon QuickSight dashboards in App Studio: an API-based approach for registered and anonymous users (requiring QuickSight connector), and an iFrame integration for public dashboards.	Quicksight Embedding /0cdc15fc-ca8b-41b7-869e- ed13c9072bc8
Kitchen Sink	A reference application showcasing advanced App Studio development tips and best practices. Includes working examples of state management, CSV data handling, browser API integration, and UI patterns that builders can study and implement in their own applications. None of the examples require external connections.	App Studio Kitchen Sink/1cfe 6b2f-544c-4611-b82 c-80eadc76a0c8

# **Duplicating applications**

Application owners and co-owners can duplicate their apps to create an exact copy of the app. Duplicating apps is helpful if you want to preserve the current state for testing purposes, or use the duplicated app as a starter to create a new app.

- 2. Choose the dropdown in the **Actions** column of the application you want to duplicate.
- 3. Choose **Duplicate**. If the **Duplicate** optional is not avaiable, you're likely not a owner or coowner of the application.
- Optionally provide a name of the duplicated app. The default name is *Current\_App\_Name COPY*.
- 5. Choose **Duplicate**.

# Editing or building an application

Use the following procedure to edit an application in App Studio.

# To edit (build) an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of applications that you have access to.
- 2. In the **Actions** column of the application you want to edit, choose **Edit**. This will take you to the Development environment, where you can use components, automations, and data to configure the look and function of your application. For information about building applications, see <u>Getting started with AWS App Studio</u>.

# Edit a previously published app version

Use the following procedure to edit a previously published version of your App Studio application. After you choose to edit the previously published version, you can edit the app in the Development environment, or publish it to Testing and then Production.

# 🔥 Warning

The previously published version replaces the in-progress version of the app in the Development environment. Any unpublished changes to your app will be lost.

Editing a previously published version is useful in the case that you accidentally publish unwanted changes or changes that break the application for your users, and you want to further build or edit from the previous app version.

# 🚯 Note

If you detect issues with a published app and need to immediately publish a previously working version, or you want to publish a previous version but preserve the latest updates to the app in the Development environment, you should rollback the app instead. For more information, see <u>Rolling back to a previously published version</u>.

### To edit a previously published app version

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the dropdown arrow next to the **Publish** button, and then choose **Publish Center**.
- 3. Choose **Version history** to see the list of previously published versions of the application.
- 4. Find the version you want to edit, and choose **Edit**.
- 5. Review the information, and choose Revert.
- The version you chose to edit is now the current version in the Development environment. You can make changes to it, or publish it to the Testing environment as is by choosing **Publish**.
   Once published to Testing, you can publish again to the Production environment if desired.

# **Renaming an application**

Use the following procedure to rename an application in App Studio. You can rename an application from the list of applications, or from the Development environment while building the app.

#### To rename an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of applications that you have access to.
- 2. You can rename an application from this list, or from the Development environment while editing.
  - To rename from this list:

- a. Choose the dropdown in the **Actions** column of the application you want to rename, then choose **Rename**.
- b. Give your application a new name, and choose **Rename**.
- To rename from the Development environment:
  - a. In the **Actions** column of the application you want to edit, choose **Edit**.
  - b. In the Development environment, choose the application name and update it, then press Enter or navigate away from the text field to save your changes.

# **Deleting an application**

Use the following procedure to delete an application in App Studio.

#### To delete an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of applications that you have access to.
- 2. Choose the dropdown in the **Actions** column of the application you want to delete.
- 3. Choose Delete.
- 4. In the **Delete application** dialog box, carefully review the information about deleting applications. If you want to delete the application, choose **Delete**.

# Previewing, publishing, and sharing applications

#### Topics

- Previewing applications
- Publishing applications
- Sharing published applications
- Rolling back to a previously published version
- Exporting applications

# **Previewing applications**

You can preview applications in App Studio to see how they will appear to users and also test its functionality by using it and checking logs in a debug panel.

The application preview environment does not support displaying live data or the connection with external resources with connectors, such as data sources. To test functionality in the preview environment, you can use mocked output in automations and sample data in entities. To view your application with real-time data, you must publish your app. For more information, see <u>Publishing</u> applications.

The preview or development environment does not update the application published in the other environments. If an application has not been published, users will not be able to access it until it is published and shared. If an application has already been published and shared, users will still access the version that has been published, and not the version used in a preview environment.

# To preview your application

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of the application you want to preview:
  - a. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section.
  - b. Choose **Edit** for the application.
- 2. Choose **Preview** to open the preview environment for the application.
- 3. (Optional) Expand the debug panel by choosing its header near the bottom of the screen. You can filter the panel by type of message by choosing the type of message in the **Filter logs** section. You can clear the panel's logs by choosing **Clear console**.
- 4. While in the preview environment, you can test your application by navigating around its pages, using its components, and choosing its buttons to start automations that transfer data. Because the preview environment doesn't support live data or connections to external sources, you can view examples of the data being transferred in the debug panel.

# **Publishing applications**

When you've finished creating and configuring your application the next step is to publish it to test data transfers or share it with end users. To understand publishing applications in App Studio, it's important to understand the available environments. App Studio provides three separate environments, which are described in the following list:

- 1. **Development**: Where you build and preview your application. You do not need to publish to the Development environment, as the latest version of your application is hosted there automatically. No live data or third-party services or resources are available in this environment.
- 2. **Testing**: Where you can perform comprehensive testing of your application. In the Testing environment, you can connect to, send data to, and receive data from other services.
- 3. **Production**: The live operational environment for end-user consumption.

All of your app building takes place in the **Development** environment. Then, publish to the **Testing** environment to test data transfer between other services, and user acceptance testing (UAT) by providing an access URL to end users. Afterwards, publish your app to the **Production** environment to perform final tests before sharing it with users. For more information about the application environments, see <u>Application environments</u>.

When you publish an application, it is not available for users until it is shared. This gives you the opportunity to use and test the application in the Testing and Production environments before users can access it. When you publish an application to Production that has previously been published and shared, the version that is available to users is updated.

# **Publishing applications**

Use the following procedure to publish an App Studio application to the Testing or Production environment.

# To publish an application to Testing or Production environment

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section. You will be taken to a page displaying a list of applications that you have access to.
- 2. Choose **Edit** for the application you want to publish.
- 3. Choose **Publish** in the top-right corner.
- 4. In the **Publish your updates** dialog box:
  - a. Review the information about publishing an application.
  - b. (Optional) In **Version description**, include a description of this version of the application.
  - c. Choose the box to acknowledge the information about the environment.
  - d. Choose **Start**. It can take up to 15 minutes for the application to be updated in the live environment.

# 5. For information about viewing applications in the Testing or Production environments, see Viewing published applications.

#### 🚯 Note

Using the application in the Testing or Production environment will result in live data transfer, such as creating records in tables of data sources that have been connected with connectors.

Published applications that have never been shared will not be available to users or other builders. To make an application available to users, you must share it after publishing. For more information, see <u>Sharing published applications</u>.

# Viewing published applications

You can view applications published to the Testing and Production environments to test the application before sharing it with end users or other builders.

### To view published applications in the Testing or Production environment

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of the application you want to preview:
  - a. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section.
  - b. Choose **Edit** for the application.
- 2. Choose the dropdown arrow next to **Publish** in the top-right corner and choose **Publish Center**.
- 3. From the publishing center, you can view the environments that your application is published to. If your application is published to the Testing or Production environments, you can view the app using the **URL** link for each environment.

#### 🚯 Note

Using the application in the Testing or Production environment will result in live data transfer, such as creating records in tables of data sources that have been connected with connectors.

AWS App Studio provides application lifecycle management (ALM) capabilities with three separate environments - Development, Testing, and Production. This helps you more easily best practices such as maintaining separate environments, version control, sharing, and monitoring across the entire app lifecycle.

#### **Development environment**

The **Development** environment is an isolated sandbox where you can build apps without connecting to any live data sources or services using the application studio and sample data. In the Development environment, you can preview your app to view and test the app without compromising production data.

Although your app doesn't connect to other services in the Development environment, you can configure different resources in your app to mimic live data connectors and automations.

There is a collapsible debug panel that includes errors and warnings at the bottom of the application studio in the Development environment to help you inspect and debug the app as you build. For more information about troubleshooting and debugging apps, see <u>Troubleshooting and debugging App Studio</u>.

#### **Testing environment**

Once your initial app development is complete, the next step is to publish to the **Testing** environment. While in the Testing environment, your app can connect to, send data to, and receive data from other services. Therefore, you can use this environment to perform comprehensive testing including user acceptance testing (UAT) by providing an access URL to end users.

# i Note

Your initial publish to the Testing environment may take up to 15 minutes.

The version of your app published to the Testing environment will be removed after 3 hours of end-user inactivity. However, all versions persist and can be restored from the **Version History** tab.

Key features of the Testing environment are as follows:

Integration testing with live data sources and APIs

- User acceptance testing (UAT) facilitated through controlled access
- Environment for gathering feedback and addressing issues
- Ability to inspect and debug both client-side and server-side activities using browser consoles and developer tools.

For more information about troubleshooting and debugging apps, see <u>Troubleshooting and</u> debugging App Studio.

#### **Production environment**

After you have tested and fixed any issues, you can promote the version of your application from the Testing environment to the Production environment for live operational use. Although the Production environment is the live operational environment for end-user consumption, you can test the published version before sharing it with users.

Your published version in the Production environment will be removed after 14 days of end-user inactivity. However, all versions persist and can be restored from the **Version History** tab.

Key features of the Production environment are as follows:

- Live operational environment for end-user consumption
- Granular role-based access control
- Version control and rollback capabilities
- Ability to inspect and debug client-side activities only
- Uses live connectors, data, automations, and APIs

# Versioning and release management

App Studio provides version control and release management capabilities through its versioning system in the **Publish center**.

Key versioning capabilities:

- Publishing to the Testing environment generates new version numbers (1.0, 2.0, 3.0...).
- The version number does not change when promoting from the Testing to Production environment.
- You can roll back to any previous version from Version History.

- Applications published to the Testing environment are paused after 3 hours of inactivity. Versions are persisted and can be restored from **Version History**.
- Applications published to the Production environment are removed after 14 days of inactivity.
   Versions are persisted and can be restored from Version History.

This versioning model allows for rapid iteration while maintaining traceability, rollback capabilities, and optimal performance across the app development and testing cycle.

# **Maintenance and operations**

App Studio may need to automatically republish your application to address certain maintenance tasks, operational activities, and to incorporate new software libraries. No action is needed from you, the builder, but end users may need to log back into the application. In certain situations, we may need you to republish your application to incorporate new features and libraries which we cannot automatically add ourselves. You will need to resolve any errors and review warnings before republishing.

# Sharing published applications

When you publish an application that has not been published yet, it is not available for users until it is shared. Once a published application has been shared, it will be available to users and will not need to be shared again if another version is published.

#### 🚯 Note

This section is about sharing published applications with end users or testers. For information about inviting other users to build an app, see <u>Building an app with multiple</u> <u>users</u>.

# To share a published application

- 1. Access the **Share** dialog box from either the application list, or the application studio of your app by using the following instructions:
  - To access the Share dialog box from the application list: In the navigation pane, choose
     My applications in the Build section. Choose the dropdown in the Actions column of the application you want to share and choose Share.

- To access the Share dialog box from the application studio: From the application studio of your app, choose Share in the top header.
- 2. In the **Share** dialog box, choose the tab for the environment that you want to share. If you do not see the **Testing** or **Production** tabs, your app may not be published to the corresponding environment. For more information about publishing, see Publishing applications.
- 3. In the appropriate tab, select groups from the dropdown menu to share the environment with them.
- 4. (Optional) Assign an app-level role to the group for testing or configuring conditional page visibility. For more information, see <u>Configuring role-based visibility of pages</u>.
- 5. Choose **Share**.
- 6. (Optional) Copy and share the link with users. Only users that the application and environment have been shared with can access the application in the corresponding environment.

# Rolling back to a previously published version

Use the following procedure to roll back the Production environment of your App Studio app to a previously published version. Your application end users will be impacted and see the rolled back version of your app after it is deployed. When you roll back an application, it also rolls back the component code to the version from the previous publish time and affects the entire app deployment stack (user code, component configuration state). This means that any updates that App Studio made to component code, such as field or other config changes, will be rolled back to ensure the rolled-back application version operates as it did when it was originally published.

The in-progress version of your application in the Development environment is not affected when you roll back the published version.

Rolling back the published version of an application is helpful if you detect issues with a published app and need to immediately publish a previously working version, or you want to publish a previous version and preserve the latest updates to the app in the Development environment.

#### 🚯 Note

If you want to revert the Development environment of an app to a previously published version, you should revert the application. For more information, see <u>Edit a previously</u> published app version.

#### To roll back the Production environment version to a previously published app version

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it. For more information, see <u>Editing or building an application</u>.
- Choose the version dropdown arrow at the top of the **Production** environment tile to see the available versions for rolling back. The dropdown contains versions published within the last 30 days. If this dropdown is disabled, it may be because an app publish is already in progress, and only one publish can happen at the same time.
- 3. Choose the version you want to roll back to.
- 4. Enter a reason for rolling back, and choose **Roll back**. The rollback publish will start and once completed, the Production environment of your application will be update to the chosen version.

#### Note

You can also roll forward to a previously published app version after you've rolled back.

# **Exporting applications**

You can export a snapshot of your application to share it with other App Studio instances. When you export an app, a snapshot is created from the Development environment of the app, and an import code is generated. The import code can then be used to import the application into other App Studio instances, where it can be viewed and built.

Exported apps can be imported into instances in any AWS Region supported by App Studio.

#### To export an application

- 1. In the navigation pane, choose **My applications** in the **Build** section to navigate to a list of your applications.
- 2. Choose the dropdown in the **Actions** column of the application you want to export.
- 3. Choose **Export**.
- 4. The procedure for generating and sharing an import code varies depending on whether or not an import code has already been created for the app.
  - If an import code hasn't been created:

a. In **Application import permissions**, specify which instances can import the exported app. You can give import permissions to all instances, or add specific App Studio instances by entering their instance IDs. Separate multiple instance IDs with a comma.

To find your instance ID, navigate to your instance's account settings by choosing **Account settings** in the App Studio console.

- b. Choose Generate import code.
- c. Copy and share the generated import code.
- If an import code has already been created:
  - To share the currently exported app, copy and share the existing import code. To create a new exported app with the latest changes to your app, choose **Generate new code**. You can also update the import permissions if needed.

# Pages and components: Build your app's user interface

#### Topics

- Managing pages
- Managing components
- Configuring role-based visibility of pages
- Ordering and organizing pages in the app navigation
- Change colors in your app with app themes
- Components reference

# **Managing pages**

Use the following procedures to create, edit, or delete pages from your AWS App Studio application.

**Pages** are containers for <u>components</u>, which make up the UI of an application in App Studio. Each page represents a screen of your application's user interface (UI) that your users will interact with. Pages are created and edited in the **Pages** tab of the application studio.

# Creating a page

Use the following procedure to create a page in an application in App Studio. For information about duplicating an existing page, see Duplicating a page.

#### To create a page

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose **+ Add**.

# **Duplicating a page**

Use the following procedure to duplicate a page in an application in App Studio.

#### To duplicate a page

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose the ellipses menu next to the name of the page you want to duplicate and choose **Duplicate**. The duplicated page is added directly after the original page.

# Viewing and editing page properties

Use the following procedure to edit a page in an application in App Studio. You can edit properties such as the page's name, its parameters, and its layout.

#### To view or edit page properties

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose the ellipses menu next to the name of the page you want to edit and choose **Page properties**. This opens the right-side **Properties** menu.
- 4. To edit the page name:
Valid page name characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, \_, \$

- a. Choose the pencil icon next to the name near the top of the **Properties** menu.
- b. Enter the new name for your page and press Enter.
- 5. To create, edit, or delete page parameters:
  - a. To create a page parameter, choose + Add new in the Page parameters section.
  - b. To edit a page parameter's **Key** or **Description** value, choose input field of the property you want to change and enter a new value. Your changes are saved as you edit.
  - c. To delete a page parameter, choose the trash icon of the page parameter you want to delete.
- 6. To add, edit, or remove a page's logo or banner:
  - a. To add a page logo or banner, enable the respective option in the **Style** section. Configure the image's source and optionally provide alt text.
  - b. To edit a page logo or banner, update the fields in the **Style** section.
  - c. To remove a page logo or banner, disable the respective option in the **Style** section.
- 7. To edit a page's layout:
  - Update the fields in the **Layout** section.

# **Deleting a page**

Use the following procedure to delete a page from an application in App Studio.

# To delete a page

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose the ellipses menu next to the name of the page you want to delete and choose **Delete**.

# Managing components

Use the following procedures to add, edit, and delete components in or from pages in the App Studio application studio to craft the desired user interface for your application.

# Adding components to a page

Use the following procedure to add a component to a page in App Studio. For information about duplicating an existing component, see <u>Duplicating components</u>.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. The components panel is located in the right-side menu, which contains the available components.
- 4. Drag and drop the desired component from the panel onto the canvas. Alternatively, you can double-click on the component in the panel to automatically add it to the center of the current page.
- Now that you've added a component, use the right-side Properties panel to adjust its settings, such as the data source, layout, and behavior. For detailed information about configuring each component type, see <u>Components reference</u>.

# **Duplicating components**

Use the following procedure to duplicate a component in an App Studio app. Duplicated components contain any linked automations or entities from the original component.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. There are two ways to duplicate a component:
  - In the left-side **Pages** menu, expand the page that contains the component you want to duplicate. Choose the ellipses menu next to the name of the component you want to duplicate and choose **Duplicate**.
  - Choose the component you want to duplicate, and choose the duplicate icon.

The duplicated component is added directly after the original component.

# 🚯 Tip

You can undo a component duplication, along with many other actions in the Development environment, by using the CTRL+Z or CMD+Z keyboard shortcuts.

# Viewing and editing component properties

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, expand the page that contains the component and choose the component to be viewed or edited. Alternatively, you can choose the page and then choose the component from the canvas.
- 4. The right-side **Properties** panel displays the configurable settings for the selected component.
- 5. Explore the various properties and options available, and update them as necessary to configure the component's appearance and behavior. For example, you might want to change the data source, configure the layout, or enable additional functionality.

For detailed information about configuring each component type, see <u>Components reference</u>.

# **Deleting components**

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the Development environment of your application by editing it.
- 2. Navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose the component to be deleted to select it.
- 4. In the right-side **Properties** menu, choose the trash icon.
- 5. In the confirmation dialog box, choose **Delete**.

# Configuring role-based visibility of pages

You can create roles within an App Studio app and configure the visbility of pages based on those roles. For example, you can create roles based on user needs or access levels, such as administrator, manager, or user for apps that provide features such as project approvals or claims processing and make certain pages visible to specific roles. In this example, administrators may have full access,

managers might have access to view reporting dashboards, and users may have access to tasks pages with input forms.

Use the following procedure to configure role-based visbility of pages in your App Studio app.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application. From the left-side navigation menu, choose **My applications**, find your application and choose **Edit**.
- 2. Create app level roles in the application studio.
  - a. Choose the **App settings** tab at the top of the application studio.
  - b. Choose + Add Role
  - c. In **Role name**, provide a name to identify your role. We recommend using a name that is descriptive of the group's access level or duties, as you'll use the name to set up the page visibility.
  - d. Optionally, in **Description**, add a description for the role.
  - e. Repeat these steps to create as many roles as needed.
- 3. Configure the visiblity of your pages
  - a. Choose the **Pages** tab at the top of the application studio.
  - b. From the left-side **Pages** menu, choose the page for which you want to configure rolebased visibility.
  - c. In the right-side menu, choose the **Properties** tab.
  - d. In Visibility, disable Open to all end users.
  - Keep Role selected to choose from a list of the roles you created in the previous step.
     Choose Custom to write a JavaScript expression for more complex visibility configurations.
    - 1. With **Role** selected, check the boxes of the app roles for which the page will be visible.
    - 2. With Custom selected, enter a JavaScript expression that resolves to true or false. Use the following example to check if the current user has the role of *manager*: {{currentUser.roles.includes('manager')}}.
- 4. Now that your visibility is configured, you can test the page visiblity by previewing your app.
  - a. Choose **Preview** to open a preview of your app.
  - b. In the top right of the preview, choose the **Previewing as** menu and check the boxes of the roles you want to test. The visible pages should reflect the roles selected.

5. Now, assign groups to app roles for a published app. Group and role assignments must be configured separately for each environment. For more information about app environments, see Application environments.

# 🚺 Note

Your app must be published to either the Testing or Production environments to assign App Studio groups to the roles you've created and configured. If necessary, publish your app to assign groups to the roles. For more information about publishing, see <u>Publishing applications</u>.

- a. In the top right of the application studio, choose **Share**.
- b. Choose the tab for the environment of which you want to configure page visibility.
- c. Choose the **Search groups** input box and choose the group with which to share the app version. You can enter text to search for groups.
- d. In the dropdown menu, choose the roles to assign to the group. You can choose **No role** to share the app version and not assign a role to the group. Only pages that are visible to all users will be visible to groups with no role.
- e. Choose **Share**. Repeat these steps to add as many group as needed.

# Ordering and organizing pages in the app navigation

This topic includes information about reordering and organizing pages in App Studio applications. There are two areas of the product where app pages are seen: in the left-hand **Pages** menu while editing the app in the application studio, and the left-hand navigation of a preview of published app.

# Ordering pages in the left-hand Pages menu while editing an app

While editing an app in the application studio, the pages are ordered by creation time in the lefthand **Pages** menu. You cannot reorder the pages in this menu.

# Ordering, showing, or hiding pages in the navigation of a preview or published app

You can edit the following settings of the left-hand navigation of a preview or published app:

- The visibility of the entire navigation
- The visibility of specific pages in the navigation
- The order of the pages in the navigation

# To edit the left-hand navigation of a preview or published app

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application to edit it.
- 2. In the left-side **Pages** menu, choose **Header & navigation**.
- 3. In the right-side **Header & navigation** menu, view or edit the following:
  - a. To hide or show the navigation in the app, use the **App navigation** toggle.
  - b. To hide pages from the navigation of the app, drag the pages to the **Unlinked pages** section.
  - c. To reorder pages in the navigation of the app, drag them to the desired order in the **Linked pages** section.

# Change colors in your app with app themes

Use the following procedure to update the colors in your application by configuring an app theme.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your app to edit it.
- 2. In the application studio, navigate to the **Pages** tab.
- 3. In the left-hand navigation, choose **App theme** to open the right-hand app theme settings.
- 4. In **Base theme**, choose **Light mode** or **Dark mode**.
- 5. To add custom colors to your application, enable the **Customize** toggle and update the following settings:
  - a. In **Primary color**, choose the color that is applied to certain components and your app's navigation. You can choose a color with the color picker, RGB, HSL, or HEX code.

# 🚺 Note

App Studio will automatically ensure your colors are accessible. For example, if you choose a light color in light mode, it will be updated to be more accessible.

- b. In **Header color**, choose the color that is applied to your app's header. You can choose a color with the color picker, RGB, HSL, or HEX code.
- c. Choose **Default themes** to view and choose from predefined themes, or choose **Randomize** to generate a random primary and header color.
- 6. Choose **Save Changes** to update your app theme.

# **Components reference**

This topic details each of App Studio's components, their properties, and includes configuration examples.

# **Common component properties**

This section outlines the general properties and features that are shared across multiple components in the application studio. The specific implementation details and use cases for each property type may vary depending on the component, but the general concept of these properties remains consistent across App Studio.

# Name

A default name is generated for each component; however, you can edit to change to a unique name to each component. You will use this name to reference the component and its data from other components or expressions within the same page. Limitation: Do not include spaces in the component name; it can only have have letters, numbers, underscores and dollar signs. Examples: userNameInput, ordersTable, metricCard1.

# Primary value, Secondary value, and Value

Many components in the application studio provide fields for specifying values or expressions that determine the content or data displayed within the component. These fields are often labeled as Primary value, Secondary value, or simply Value, depending on the component type and purpose.

The Primary value field is typically used to define the main value, data point, or content that should be prominently displayed within the component.

The Secondary value field, when available, is used to display an additional or supporting value or information alongside the primary value.

The Value field allows you to specify the value or expression that should be displayed in the component.

These fields support both static text input and dynamic expressions. By using expressions, you can reference data from other components, data sources, or variables within your application, enabling dynamic and data-driven content display.

### Syntax for expressions

The syntax for entering expressions in these fields follows a consistent pattern:

{{expression}}

Where *expression* is a valid expression that evaluates to the desired value or data you want to display.

# Example: Static text

- Primary value: you can enter a static number or value directly, such as "123" or "\$1,999.99".
- Secondary value: you can enter a static text label, such as "Goal" or "Projected Revenue".
- Value: you can enter a static string, such as "since last month" or "Total Quantity".

# **Examples: Expressions**

- Hello, {{currentUser.firstName}}: Displays a greeting with the first name of the currently logged-in user.
- {{currentUser.role === 'Admin' ? 'Admin Dashboard' : 'User Dashboard'}}: Conditionally displays a different dashboard title based on the user's role.
- {{ui.componentName.data?.[0]?.fieldName}}: Retrieves the value of the fieldName field from the first item in the data of the component with the ID componentName.
- {{ui.componentName.value \* 100}}: Performs a calculation on the value of the component with the ID componentName.
- {{ui.componentName.value + ' items'}}: Concatenates the value of the component with the ID componentName and the string ' items'.
- {{ui.ordersTable.data?.[0]?.orderNumber}}: Retrieves the order number from the first row of data in the ordersTable component.

- {{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.totalRevenue \* 1.15}}: Calculates the projected revenue by increasing the total revenue from the first row of data in the salesMetrics component by 15%.
- {{ui.customerProfile.data?.[0]?.firstName + ' ' + ui.customerProfile.data?.lastName}}: Concatenates the first and last name from the data in the customerProfile component.
- {{new Date(ui.orderDetails.data?.orderDate).toLocaleDateString()}}: Formats the order date from the orderDetails component to a more readable date string.
- {{ui.productList.data?.length}}: Displays the total number of products in the data connected to the productList component.
- {{ui.discountPercentage.value \* ui.orderTotal.value}}: Calculates the discount amount based on the discount percentage and the order total.
- {{ui.cartItemCount.value + ' items in cart'}}: Displays the number of items in the shopping cart, along with the label items in cart.

By using these expression fields, you can create dynamic and data-driven content within your application, allowing you to display information that is tailored to the user's context or the state of your application. This enables more personalized and interactive user experiences.

#### Label

The **Label** property allows you to specify a caption or title for the component. This label is typically displayed alongside or above the component, helping users understand its purpose.

You can use both static text and expressions to define the label.

#### **Example: Static text**

If you enter the text "First Name" in the Label field, the component will display "First Name" as its label.

#### **Example: Expressions**

#### **Example: Retail store**

The following example personalizes the label for each user, making the interface feel more tailored to the individual:

```
{{currentUser.firstName}} {{currentUser.lastName}}'s Account
```

#### Example: SaaS project management

The following example pulls data from the selected project to provide context-specific labels, helping users stay oriented within the application:

Project {{ui.projectsTable.selectedRow.id}} - {{ui.projectsTable.selectedRow.name}}

#### **Example: Healthcare clinic**

The following example references the current user's profile and the doctor's information, providing a more personalized experience for patients.

#### Placeholder

The Placeholder property allows you to specify hint or guidance text that is displayed within the component when it is empty. This can help users understand the expected input format or provide additional context.

You can use both static text and expressions to define the placeholder.

#### **Example: Static text**

If you enter the text Enter your name in the **Placeholder** field, the component will display Enter your name as the placeholder text.

# **Example: Expressions**

#### **Example: Financial services**

Enter the amount you'd like to deposit into your {{ui.accountsTable.selectedRow.balance}} account These examples pull data from the

selected account to display relevant prompts, making the interface intuitive for banking customers.

#### Example: E-commerce

Enter the coupon code for {{ui.cartTable.data.currency}} total The placeholder here dynamically updates based on the user's cart contents, providing a seamless checkout experience.

# **Example: Healthcare clinic**

Enter your {{ui.patientProfile.data.age}}-year-old patient's symptoms By using an expression that references the patient's age, the application can create a more personalized and helpful placeholder.

#### Source

The **Source** property allows you to select the data source for a component. Upon selection, you can choose from the following data source types: entity, expression, or automation.

#### Entity

Selecting **Entity** as the data source allows you to connect the component to an existing data entity or model in your application. This is useful when you have a well-defined data structure or schema that you want to leverage throughout your application.

When to use the entity data source:

- When you have a data model or entity that contains the information you want to display in the component (e.g., a "Products" entity with fields like "Name", "Description", "Price").
- When you need to dynamically fetch data from a database, API, or other external data source and present it in the component.
- When you want to take advantage of the relationships and associations defined in your application's data model.

#### Selecting a query on an entity

Sometimes, you may want to connect a component to a specific query that retrieves data from an entity, rather than the entire entity. In the Entity data source, you have the option to choose from existing queries or create a new one.

By selecting a query, you can:

- Filter the data displayed in the component based on specific criteria.
- Pass parameters to the query to dynamically filter or sort the data.
- Leverage complex joins, aggregations, or other data manipulation techniques defined in the query.

For example, if you have a Customers entity in your application with fields like Name, Email, and PhoneNumber. You can connect a table component to this entity and choose a pre-defined ActiveCustomers data action that filters the customers based on their status. This allows you to display only the active customers in the table, rather than the entire customer database.

#### Adding parameters to an entity data source

When using an entity as the data source, you can also add parameters to the component. These parameters can be used to filter, sort, or transform the data displayed in the component.

For example, if you have a Products entity with fields like Name, Description, Price, and Category. You can add a parameter named category to a table component that displays the product list. When users select a category from a dropdown, the table will automatically update to show only the products belonging to the selected category, using the {{params.category}} expression in the data action.

# Expression

Select **Expression** as the data source to enter custom expressions or calculations to generate the data for the component dynamically. This is useful when you need to perform transformations, combine data from multiple sources, or generate data based on specific business logic.

When to use the **Expression** data source:

- When you need to calculate or derive data that is not directly available in your data model (e.g., calculating the total order value based on quantity and price).
- When you want to combine data from multiple entities or data sources to create a composite view (e.g., displaying a customer's order history along with their contact information).
- When you need to generate data based on specific rules or conditions (e.g., displaying a "Recommended Products" list based on the user's browsing history).

For example, if you have a *Metrics* component that needs to display the total revenue for the current month, you can use an expression like the following to calculate and display the monthly revenue:

```
{{ui.table1.orders.concat(ui.table1.orderDetails).filter(o => o.orderDate.getMonth()
=== new Date().getMonth()).reduce((a, b) => a + (b.quantity * b.unitPrice), 0)}}
```

#### Automation

Select **Automation** as the data source to connect the component to an existing automation or workflow in your application. This is useful when the data or functionality for the component is generated or updated as part of a specific process or workflow.

When to use the **Automation** data source:

- When the data displayed in the component is the result of a specific automation or workflow (e.g., a "Pending Approvals" table that is updated as part of an approval process).
- When you want to trigger actions or updates to the component based on events or conditions within an automation (e.g., updating a Metrics with the latest sales figures for a SKU).
- When you need to integrate the component with other services or systems in your application through an automation (e.g., fetching data from a third-party API and displaying it in a table).

For example, if you have a stepflow component that guides users through a job application process. The stepflow component can be connected to an automation that handles the job application submission, background checks, and offer generation. As the automation progresses through these steps, the stepflow component can dynamically update to reflect the current status of the application.

By carefully selecting the appropriate data source for each component, you can ensure that your application's user interface is powered by the right data and logic, providing a seamless and engaging experience for your users.

# Visible if

Use the **Visible if** property to show or hide components or elements based on specific conditions or data values. This is useful when you want to dynamically control the visibility of certain parts of your application's user interface.

The **Visible if** property uses the following syntax:

```
{{expression ? true : false}}
```

or

{{expression}}

Where *expression* is a boolean expression that evaluates to either true or false.

If the expression evaluates to true, the component will be visible. If the expression evaluates to false, the component will be hidden. The expression can reference values from other components, data sources, or variables within your application.

#### Visible if expression examples

#### Example: Showing or hiding a password input field based on an email input

Imagine you have a login form with an email input field and a password input field. You want to show the password input field only if the user has entered an email address. You can use the following Visible if expression:

```
{{ui.emailInput.value !== ""}}
```

This expression checks if the value of the emailInput component is not an empty string. If the user has entered an email address, the expression evaluates to true, and the password input field will be visible. If the email field is empty, the expression evaluates to false, and the password input field will be hidden.

#### Example: Displaying additional form fields based on a dropdown selection

Let's say you have a form where users can select a category from a dropdown list. Depending on the category selected, you want to show or hide additional form fields to gather more specific information.

For example, if the user selects the *Products* category, you can use the following expression to show an additional *Product Details* field:

```
{{ui.categoryDropdown.value === "Products"}}
```

If the user selects the *Services* or *Consulting* categories, you can use this expression to show a different set of additional fields:

```
{{ui.categoryDropdown.value === "Services" || ui.categoryDropdown.value ===
"Consulting"}}
```

#### **Examples: Other**

To make the component visible if the textInput1 component's value is not an empty string:

{{ui.textInput1.value === "" ? false : true}}

To make the component always visible:

{{true}}

To make the component visible if the emailInput component's value is not an empty string:

```
{{ui.emailInput.value !== ""}}
```

#### **Disabled if**

The **Disabled if** feature allows you to conditionally enable or disable a component based on specific conditions or data values. This is achieved by using the **Disabled if** property, which accepts a boolean expression that determines whether the component should be enabled or disabled.

The **Disabled if** property uses the following syntax:

{{expression ? true : false}}

or

```
{{expression}}
```

#### **Disabled if expression examples**

#### Example: Disabling a submit button based on form validation

If you have a form with multiple input fields, and you want to disable the submit button until all required fields are filled out correctly, you can use the following **Disabled If** expression:

```
{{ui.nameInput.value === "" || ui.emailInput.value === "" || ui.passwordInput.value ===
  ""}}
```

This expression checks if any of the required input fields (nameInput, emailInput, passwordInput) are empty. If any of the fields are empty, the expression evaluates to true, and the submit button will be disabled. Once all the required fields are filled out, the expression evaluates to false, and the submit button will be enabled.

By using these types of conditional expressions in the **Visible if** and **Disabled ff** properties, you can create dynamic and responsive user interfaces that adapt to user input, providing a more streamlined and relevant experience for your application's users.

Where *expression* is a boolean expression that evaluates to either true or false.

Example:

{{ui.textInput1.value === "" ? true : false}}: The component will be Disabled if the
 textInput1 component's value is an empty string.
{{!ui.nameInput.isValid || !ui.emailInput.isValid || !ui.passwordInput.isValid}}: The
 component will be Disabled if any of the named input fields are invalid.

#### **Container layouts**

The layout properties determine how the content or elements within a component are arranged and positioned. Several layout options are available, each represented by an icon:

- **Column Layout**: This layout arranges the content or elements vertically, in a single column.
- **Two column layout**: This layout divides the component into two equal-width columns, allowing you to position content or elements side by side.
- Row layout: This layout arranges the content or elements horizontally, in a single row.

#### Orientation

- Horizontal: This layout arranges the content or elements horizontally, in a single row.
- Vertical: This layout arranges the content or elements vertically, in a single column.
- **Inline wrapped**: This layout arranges the content or elements horizontally, but wraps to the next line if the elements exceed the available width.

#### Alignment

- Left: Aligns the content or elements to the left side of the component.
- **Center**: Centers the content or elements horizontally within the component.
- **Right**: Aligns the content or elements to the right side of the component.

#### Width

The **Width** property specifies the horizontal size of the component. You can enter a percentage value between 0% and 100%, representing the component's width relative to its parent container or the available space.

# Height

The **Height** property specifies the vertical size of the component. The "auto" value adjusts the component's height automatically based on its content or the available space.

# Space between

The **Space between** property determines the spacing or gap between the content or elements within the component. You can select a value from 0px (no spacing) to 64px, with increments of 4px (e.g., 4px, 8px, 12px, etc.).

# Padding

The **Padding** property controls the space between the content or elements and the edges of the component. You can select a value from 0px (no padding) to 64px, with increments of 4px (e.g., 4px, 8px, 12px, etc.).

# Background

The **Background** enables or disables a background color or style for the component.

These layout properties provide flexibility in arranging and positioning the content within a component, as well as controlling the size, spacing, and visual appearance of the component itself.

# **Data components**

This section covers the various data components available in the application studio, including the **Table**, **Detail**, **Metric**, **Form**, and **Repeater** components. These components are used to display, gather, and manipulate data within your application.

# Table

The **Table** component displays data in a tabular format, with rows and columns. It is used to present structured data, such as lists of items or records from a database, in an organized and easy-to-read manner.

# **Table properties**

The **Table** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

In addition to the common properties, the **Table** component has specific properties and configuration options, including Columns, Search and export, and Expressions.

#### Columns

In this section, you can define the columns to be displayed in the table. Each column can be configured with the following properties:

- Format: The data type of the field, for example: text, number, date.
- **Column label**: The header text for the column.
- Value: The field from the data source that should be displayed in this column.

This field allows you to specify the value or expression that should be displayed in the column cells. You can use expressions to reference data from the connected source or other components.

Example: {{currentRow.*title*}} - This expression will display the value of the *title* field from the current row in the column cells.

• **Enable sorting**: This toggle allows you to enable or disable sorting functionality for the specific column. When enabled, users can sort the table data based on the values in this column.

# Search and export

The **Table** component provides the following toggles to enable or disable search and export functionality:

- **Show search** When enabled, this toggle adds a search input field to the table, allowing users to search and filter the displayed data.
- **Show export** When enabled, this toggle adds an export option to the table, allowing users to download the table data in various formats, for example: CSV.

# 🚯 Note

By default, the search functionality is limited to the data that has been loaded into the table. To use search exhaustively, you will need to load all pages of data.

### Rows per page

You can specify the number of rows to be displayed per page in the table. Users can then navigate between pages to view the full dataset.

# Pre-fetch limit

Specify the maximum number of records to pre-fetch in each query request. The maximum is 3000.

# Actions

In the **Actions** section, configure the following properties:

- Action location: When Pin to right is enabled, any added actions will always show on the right of the table, regardless of user scrolling.
- Actions: Add action buttons to the table. You can configure these buttons to do specified actions when clicked by a user, such as:
  - Run a component action
  - Navigate to a different page
  - Invoke a data action
  - Run custom JavaScript
  - Invoke an automation

# Expressions

The **Table** component provides several areas to use expressions and row-level action capabilities that allow you to customize and enhance the table's functionality and interactivity. They allow you to dynamically reference and display data within the table. By leveraging these expression fields, you can create dynamic columns, pass data to row-level actions, and reference table data from other components or expressions within your application.

### **Examples: Referencing row values**

{{currentRow.columnName}} or {{currentRow["Column Name"]}} These expressions
allow you to reference the value of a specific column for the current row being rendered. Replace
columnName or Column Name with the actual name of the column you want to reference.

### Examples:

- {{currentRow.productName}} Displays the product name for the current row.
- {{currentRow["Supplier Name"]}} Displays the supplier name for the current row, where the column header is Supplier Name.
- {{currentRow.orderDate}} Displays the order date for the current row.

#### **Examples: Referencing selected row**

{{ui.table1.selectedRow["columnName"]}} This expression allows you to reference the value of a specific column for the currently selected row in the table with the ID table1. Replace table1 with the actual ID of your table component, and columnName with the name of the column you want to reference.

#### Examples:

- {{ui.ordersTable.selectedRow["totalAmount"]}} Displays the total amount for the currently selected row in the table with the ID ordersTable.
- {{ui.*customersTable*.selectedRow["email"]}} Displays the email address for the currently selected row in the table with the ID *customersTable*.
- {{ui.employeesTable.selectedRow["department"]}} Displays the department for the currently selected row in the table with the ID employeesTable.

#### **Examples: Creating custom columns**

You can add custom columns to a table based on data returned from the underlying data action, automation, or expression. You can use existing column values and JavaScript expressions to create new columns.

Examples:

• {{currentRow.quantity \* currentRow.unitPrice}} Creates a new column displaying the total price by multiplying the quantity and unit price columns.

- {{new Date(currentRow.orderDate).toLocaleDateString()}} Creates a new column displaying the order date in a more readable format.
- {{currentRow.firstName + ' ' + currentRow.lastName + ' (' + currentRow.email + ')' }} Creates a new column displaying the full name and email address for each row.

# Examples: Customizing column display values:

You can customize the display value of a field within a table column by setting the Value field of the column mapping. This allows you to apply custom formatting or transformations to the displayed data.

Examples:

- {{ currentRow.rating >= 4 ? '##'.repeat(currentRow.rating) :
   currentRow.rating }} Displays star emojis based on the rating value for each row.
- {{ currentRow.category.toLowerCase().replace(/\b\w/g, c =>
   c.toUpperCase()) }} Displays the category value with each word capitalized for each row.
- {{ currentRow.status === 'Active' ? '# Active' : '# Inactive' }}: Displays a colored circle emoji and text based on the status value for each row.

# **Row-level button actions**

{{currentRow.columnName}} or {{currentRow["Column Name"]}} You can use these expressions to pass the referenced row's context within a row-level action, such as navigating to another page with the selected row's data or triggering an automation with the row's data.

Examples:

- If you have an edit button in the row action column, you can pass {{currentRow.orderId}}
  as a parameter to navigate to an order editing page with the selected order's ID.
- If you have a delete button in the row action column, you can pass
  {{currentRow.customerName}} to an automation that sends a confirmation email to the
  customer before deleting their order.
- If you have a view details button in the row action column, you can pass
  {{currentRow.employeeId}} to an automation that logs the employee who viewed the order
  details.

By leveraging these expression fields and row-level action capabilities, you can create highly customized and interactive tables that display and manipulate data based on your specific requirements. Additionally, you can connect row-level actions with other components or automations within your application, enabling seamless data flow and functionality.

# Detail

The **Detail** component is designed to display detailed information about a specific record or item. It provides a dedicated space for presenting comprehensive data related to a single entity or row, making it ideal for showcasing in-depth details or facilitating data entry and editing tasks.

# **Detail properties**

The **Detail** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

The **Detail** component also has specific properties and configuration options, including Fields, Layout, and Expressions.

# Layout

The **Layout** section allows you to customize the arrangement and presentation of the fields within the **Detail** component. You can configure options such as:

- Number of columns: Specify the number of columns to display the fields in.
- Field ordering: Drag and drop fields to reorder their appearance.
- **Spacing and alignment**: Adjust the spacing and alignment of fields within the component.

# **Expressions and examples**

The **Detail** component provides various expression fields that allow you to reference and display data within the component dynamically. These expressions enable you to create customized and interactive **Detail** components that seamlessly connect with your application's data and logic.

# **Example: Referencing data**

{{ui.details.data[0]?.["colName"]}}: This expression allows you to reference the value of the column named "colName" for the first item (index 0) in the data array connected to the **Detail** component with the ID "details". Replace "colName" with the actual name of the column you want

to reference. For example, the following expression will display the value of the "customerName" column for the first item in the data array connected to the "details" component:

{{ui.details.data[0]?.["customerName"]}}

#### Note

This expression is useful when the **Detail** component is on the same page as the table being referenced, and you want to display data from the first row of the table in the **Detail** component.

#### **Example: Conditional rendering**

{{ui.*table1*.selectedRow["*colName*"]}}: This expression returns true if the selected row in the table with the ID *table1* has data for the column named *colName*. It can be used to conditionally show or hide the **Detail** component based on whether the table's selected row is empty or not.

#### Example:

You can use this expression in the Visible if property of the **Detail** component to conditionally show or hide it based on the selected row in the table.

```
{{ui.table1.selectedRow["customerName"]}}
```

If this expression evaluates to true (the selected row in the *table1* component has a value for the *customerName* column), the **Detail** component will be visible. If the expression evaluates to false (i.e., the selected row is empty or does not have a value for "customerName"), the **Detail** component will be hidden.

#### Example: Conditional display

{{(ui.Component.value === "green" ? "#" : ui.Component.value === "yellow" ?
"#" : ui.detail1.data?.[0]?.CustomerStatus)}}: This expression conditionally displays
an emoji based on the value of a component or data field.

#### Breakdown:

• ui. Component. value: References the value of a component with the ID Component.

- === "green": Checks if the component's value is equal to the string "green".
- ? "#": If the condition is true, displays the green circle emoji.
- : ui.Component.value === "yellow" ? "#": If the first condition is false, checks if the component's value is equal to the string "yellow".
- ? "#": If the second condition is true, displays the yellow square emoji.
- : ui.detail1.data?.[0]?.CustomerStatus: If both conditions are false, it references the "CustomerStatus" value of the first item in the data array connected to the Detail component with the ID "detail1".

This expression can be used to display an emoji or a specific value based on the value of a component or data field within the **Detail** component.

#### Metrics

The **Metrics** component is a visual element that displays key metrics or data points in a cardlike format. It is designed to provide a concise and visually appealing way to present important information or performance indicators.

#### **Metrics properties**

The **Metrics** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

#### Trend

The Metrics's trend feature allows you to display a visual indicator of the performance or change over time for the metric being displayed.

#### **Trend value**

This field allows you to specify the value or expression that should be used to determine the trend direction and magnitude. Typically, this would be a value that represents the change or performance over a specific time period.

Example:

```
{{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue}}
```

This expression retrieves the month-over-month revenue value from the first item in the data connected to the "salesMetrics" Metrics.

# **Positive trend**

This field allows you to enter an expression that defines the condition for a positive trend. The expression should evaluate to true or false.

Example:

```
{{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue > 0}}
```

This expression checks if the month-over-month revenue value is greater than 0, indicating a positive trend.

# Negative trend

This field allows you to enter an expression that defines the condition for a negative trend. The expression should evaluate to true or false.

Example:

{{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue < 0}}</pre>

This expression checks if the month-over-month revenue value is less than 0, indicating a negative trend.

# Color bar

This toggle allows you to enable or disable the display of a colored bar to visually indicate the trend status.

# **Color Bar examples:**

# **Example: Sales metrics trend**

- **Trend value**: {{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue}}
- Positive trend: {{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue > 0}}
- Negative trend: {{ui.salesMetrics.data?.[0]?.monthOverMonthRevenue < 0}}
- Color bar: Enabled

### **Example: inventory metrics trend**

- Trend value: {{ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[0]?.currentInventory ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[1]?.currentInventory}}
- Positive trend: {{ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[0]?.currentInventory > ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[1]?.currentInventory}}
- Negative trend: {{ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[0]?.currentInventory < ui.inventoryMetrics.data?.[1]?.currentInventory}}
- Color Bbar: Enabled

# **Example: Customer satisfaction trend**

- Trend value: {{ui.customerSatisfactionMetrics.data?.[0]?.npsScore}}
- Positive trend: {{ui.customerSatisfactionMetrics.data?.[0]?.npsScore >= 8}}
- Negative trend: {{ui.customerSatisfactionMetrics.data?.[0]?.npsScore < 7}}
- Color bar: Enabled

By configuring these trend-related properties, you can create **Metrics** components that provide a visual representation of the performance or change over time for the metric being displayed.

By leveraging these expressions, you can create highly customized and interactive metrics components that reference and display data dynamically, allowing you to showcase key metrics, performance indicators, and data-driven visualizations within your application.

#### **Metrics expression examples**

In the properties panel, you can enter expressions to display the title, primary value, secondary value, and value caption to dynamically display a value.

# Example: Referencing primary value

{{ui.*metric1*.primaryValue}}: This expression allows you to reference the primary value of the **Metrics** component with the ID *metric1* from other components or expressions within the same page.

Example: {{ui.*salesMetrics*.primaryValue}} will display the primary value of the *salesMetrics* Metrics component.

# Example: Referencing secondary value

{{ui.metric1.secondaryValue}}: This expression allows you to reference the secondary value of the **Metrics** component with the ID metric1 from other components or expressions within the same page.

Example: {{ui.*revenueMetrics*.secondaryValue}} will display the secondary value of the *revenueMetrics* Metrics component.

# **Example: Referencing data**

{{ui.*metric1*.data}}: This expression allows you to reference the data of the **Metrics** component with the ID *metric1* from other components or expressions within the same page.

Example: {{ui.*kpiMetrics*.data}} will reference the data connected to the *kpiMetrics* **Metrics** component.

# Example: Displaying specific data values:

{{ui.metric1.data?.[0]?.id}}: This expression is an example of how to display a specific piece of information from the data connected to the **Metrics** component with the ID metric1. It is useful when you want to display a specific property of the first item in the data.

Breakdown:

- ui.*metric1*: References the **Metrics** component with the ID *metric1*.
- data: Refers to the information or data set connected to that component.
- ?. [0]: Means the first item or entry in that data set.
- ?.id: Displays the *id* value or identifier of that first item or entry.

Example: {{ui.orderMetrics.data?.[0]?.orderId}} will display the orderId value of the first item in the data connected to the orderMetrics Metrics component.

# Example: Displaying data length

{{ui.metric1.data?.length}}: This expression demonstrates how to display the length (number of items) in the data connected to the **Metrics** component with the ID metric1. It is useful when you want to display the number of items in the data.

Breakdown:

- ui.*metric1*.data: References the data set connected to the component.
- ?.length: Accesses the total count or number of items or entries in that data set.

Example: {{ui.*productMetrics*.data?.length}} will display the number of items in the data connected to the *productMetrics* **Metrics** component.

#### Repeater

The **Repeater** component is a dynamic component that allows you to generate and display a collection of elements based on a provided data source. It is designed to facilitate the creation of lists, grids, or repeating patterns within your application's user interface. A few example use cases include:

- Displaying a card for each user in an account
- Showing a list of products that include images and a button to add it to the cart
- Showing a list of files the user can access

The **Repeater** component differentiates itself from the **Table** component with rich content. A **Table** component has a strict row and column format. The **Repeater** can display your data more flexibly.

#### **Repeater properties**

The **Repeater** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

In addition to the common properties, the **Repeater** component has the following additional properties and configuration options.

#### Item template

The **Item template** is a container where you can define the structure and components that will be repeated for each item in the data source. You can drag and drop other components into this container, such as **Text**, **Image**, **Button**, or any other component you need to represent each item.

Within the **Item template**, you can reference properties or values from the current item using expressions in the format {{currentItem.propertyName}}.

For example, if your data source contains an itemName property, you can use {{currentItem.itemName}} to display the item name(s) of the current item.

#### Layout

The **Layout** section allows you to configure the arrangement of the repeated elements within the Repeater Component.

### Orientation

- List: Arranges the repeated elements vertically in a single column.
- Grid: Arranges the repeated elements in a grid layout with multiple columns.

#### Rows per page

Specify the number of rows to display per page in the list layout. Pagination is provided for items that overflow the specified number of rows.

#### Columns and Rows per Page (Grid)

- **Columns**: Specify the number of columns in the grid layout.
- **Rows per Page**: Specify the number of rows to display per page in the grid layout. Pagination is provided for items that overflow the specified grid dimensions.

#### **Expressions and examples**

The **Repeater** component provides various expression fields that allow you to reference and display data within the component dynamically. These expressions enable you to create customized and interactive **Repeater** components that seamlessly connect with your application's data and logic.

#### **Example: Referencing items**

- {{currentItem.propertyName}}: Reference properties or values from the current item within the **Item Template**.
- {{ui.repeaterID[index]}}: Reference a specific item in the Repeater Component by its index.

#### **Example: Rendering a list of products**

• **Source**: Select the *Products* entity as the data source.

- Item Template: Add a Container component with a Text component inside to display the product name ({{currentItem.productName}}) and an Image component to display the product image ({{currentItem.productImageUrl}}).
- Layout: Set the Orientation to List and adjust the Rows per Page as desired.

### Example: Generating a grid of user avatars

- Source: Use an expression to generate an array of user data (e.g., [{name: 'John', avatarUrl: '...'}, {...}, {...}]).
- Item Template: Add an Image component and set its Source property to {{currentItem.avatarUrl}}.
- Layout: Set the Orientation to Grid, specify the number of Columns and Rows per Page, and adjust the Space Between and Padding as needed.

By using the Repeater component, you can create dynamic and data-driven user interfaces, streamlining the process of rendering collections of elements and reducing the need for manual repetition or hard-coding.

#### Form

The Form component is designed to capture user input and facilitate data entry tasks within your application. It provides a structured layout for displaying input fields, dropdowns, checkboxes, and other form controls, allowing users to input or modify data seamlessly. You can nest other components inside of a form component, such as a table.

#### **Form properties**

The **Form** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

#### **Generate Form**

The **Generate Form** feature makes it easy to quickly create form fields by automatically populating them based on a selected data source. This can save time and effort when building forms that need to display a large number of fields.

#### To use the Generate Form feature:

- 1. In the **Form** component's properties, locate the **Generate Form** section.
- 2. Select the data source you want to use to generate the form fields. This can be an entity, workflow, or any other data source available in your application.
- 3. The form fields will be automatically generated based on the selected data source, including the field labels, types, and data mappings.
- 4. Review the generated fields and make any necessary customizations, such as adding validation rules or changing the field order.
- 5. Once you're satisfied with the form configuration, choose **Submit** to apply the generated fields to your **Form** component.

The **Generate Form** feature is particularly useful when you have a well-defined data model or set of entities in your application that you need to capture user input for. By automatically generating the form fields, you can save time and ensure consistency across your application's forms.

After using the **Generate Form** feature, you can further customize the layout, actions, and expressions for the **Form** component to fit your specific requirements.

### **Expressions and examples**

Like other components, you can use expressions to reference and display data within the **Form** component. For example:

• {{ui.userForm.data.email}}: References the value of the email field from the data source connected to the **Form** component with the ID userForm.

# 🚯 Note

See <u>Common component properties</u> for more expression examples of the common properties.

By configuring these properties and leveraging expressions, you can create customized and interactive Form components that seamlessly integrate with your application's data sources and logic. These components can be used to capture user input, display pre-populated data, and trigger actions based on the form submissions or user interactions.

# Stepflow

The **Stepflow** component is designed to guide users through multi-step processes or workflows within your application. It provides a structured and intuitive interface for presenting a sequence of steps, each with its own set of inputs, validations, and actions.

The Stepflow component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Actions. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

The **Stepflow** component has additional properties and configuration options, such as Step Navigation, Validation, and Expressions.

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The **Gen AI** component is a grouping container that is used to group components and their accompanying logic to easily edit them with AI using chat within the application studio. When you use the chat to create components, they will be grouped into a **Gen AI** container. For information about editing or using this component, see <u>Building or editing your app</u>.

# **Text & number components**

# Text input

The **Text input** component allows users to enter and submit text data within your application. It provides a simple and intuitive way to capture user input, such as names, addresses, or any other textual information.

- {{ui.*inputTextID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the input field.
- {{ui.*inputTextID*.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the input field.

# Text

The **Text** component is used to display textual information within your application. It can be used to show static text, dynamic values, or content generated from expressions.

#### Text area

The **Text area** component is designed to capture multi-line text input from users. It provides a larger input field area for users to enter longer text entries, such as descriptions, notes, or comments.

- {{ui.*textAreaID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the text area.
- {{ui.*textAreaID*.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the text area.

#### Email

The **Email** component is a specialized input field designed to capture email addresses from users. It can enforce specific validation rules to ensure the entered value adheres to the correct email format.

- {{ui.*emailID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the email input field.
- {{ui.*emailID*.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the email input field.

#### Password

The **Password** component is an input field specifically designed for users to enter sensitive information, such as passwords or PIN codes. It masks the entered characters to maintain privacy and security.

- {{ui.*passwordID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the password input field.
- {{ui.*passwordID*.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the password input field.

#### Search

The **Search** component provides users with a dedicated input field for performing search queries or entering search terms within the populated data within the application.

• {{ui.*searchID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the search field.

#### Phone

The **Phone** component is an input field tailored for capturing phone numbers or other contact information from users. It can include specific validation rules and formatting options to ensure the entered value adheres to the correct phone number format.

- {{ui.*phoneID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the phone input field.
- {{ui.*phoneID*.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the phone input field.

# Number

The **Number** component is an input field designed specifically for users to enter numerical values. It can enforce validation rules to ensure the entered value is a valid number within a specified range or format.

- {{ui.*numberID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the number input field.
- {{ui.numberID.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the number input field.

# Currency

The **Currency** component is a specialized input field for capturing monetary values or amounts. It can include formatting options to display currency symbols, decimal separators, and enforce validation rules specific to currency inputs.

- {{ui.*currencyID*.value}}: Returns the provided value in the currency input field.
- {{ui.currencyID.isValid}}: Returns the validity of the provided value in the currency input field.

# Detail pair

The **Detail pair** component is used to display key-value pairs or pairs of related information in a structured and readable format. It is commonly used to present details or metadata associated with a specific item or entity.

# Switch

The **Switch** component is a user interface control that allows users to toggle between two states or options, such as on/off, true/false, or enabled/disabled. It provides a visual representation of the current state and allows users to change it with a single click or tap.

# Switch group

The **Switch group** component is a collection of individual switch controls that allow users to select one or more options from a predefined set. It provides a visual representation of the selected and unselected options, making it easier for users to understand and interact with the available choices.

# Switch group expression fields

• {{ui.switchGroupID.value}}: Returns an array of strings containing the value of each switch that is enabled by the app user.

# **Checkbox group**

The **Checkbox group** component presents users with a group of checkboxes, allowing them to select multiple options simultaneously. It is useful when you want to provide users with the ability to choose one or more items from a list of options.

# **Checkbox group expression fields**

• {{ui.checkboxGroupID.value}}: Returns an array of strings containing the value of each checkbox that is selected by the app user.

# **Radio group**

The **Radio group** component is a set of radio buttons that allow users to select a single option from multiple mutually exclusive choices. It ensures that only one option can be selected at a time, providing a clear and unambiguous way for users to make a selection.

# Radio group expression fields

The following fields can be used in expressions.

• {{ui.radioGroupID.value}}: Returns the value of the radio button that is selected by the app user.

# Single select

The **Single select** component presents users with a list of options, from which they can select a single item. It is commonly used in scenarios where users need to make a choice from a predefined set of options, such as selecting a category, a location, or a preference.

# Single select expression fields

 {{ui.singleSelectID.value}}: Returns the value of the list item that is selected by the app user.

# Multi select

The **Multi select** component is similar to the **Single select** component but allows users to select multiple options simultaneously from a list of choices. It is useful when users need to make multiple selections from a predefined set of options, such as selecting multiple tags, interests, or preferences.

# Multi select expression fields

• {{ui.multiSelectID.value}}: Returns an array of strings containing the value of each list item that is selected by the app user.

# **Buttons & navigation components**

The application studio provides a variety of button and navigation components to allow users to trigger actions and navigate within your application.

#### **Button components**

The available button components are:

- Button
- Outlined button
- Icon button
#### Text button

These button components share the following common properties:

#### Content

• Button label: The text to be displayed on the button.

### Туре

- **Button**: A standard button.
- **Outlined**: A button with an outlined style.
- Icon: A button with an icon.
- **Text**: A text-only button.

### Size

The size of the button. Possible values are Small, Medium, and Large.

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You can select from a variety of icons to be displayed on the button, including:

- Envelope Closed
- Bell
- Person
- Hamburger Menu
- Search
- Info Circled
- Gear
- Chevron Left
- Chevron Right
- Dots Horizontal
- Trash
- Edit

- Check
- Close
- Home
- Plus

### Triggers

When the button is clicked, you can configure one or more actions to be triggered. The available action types are:

- Basic
  - Run component action: Executes a specific action within a component.
  - Navigate: Navigates to another page or view.
  - Invoke Data Action: Triggers a data-related action, such as creating, updating, or deleting a record.
- Advanced
  - JavaScript: Runs custom JavaScript code.
  - Invoke Automation: Starts an existing automation or workflow.

### JavaScript action button properties

Select the JavaScript action type to run custom JavaScript code when the button is clicked.

### Source code

In the Source code field, you can enter your JavaScript expression or function. For example:

```
return "Hello World";
```

This will simply return the string Hello World when the button is clicked.

### **Condition: Run if**

You can also provide a boolean expression that determines whether the JavaScript action should be executed or not. This uses the following syntax:

```
{{ui.textinput1.value !== ""}}
```

In this example, the JavaScript action will only run if the value of the textinput1 component is not an empty string.

By using these advanced trigger options, you can create highly customized button behaviors that integrate directly with your application's logic and data. This allows you to extend the built-in functionality of the buttons and tailor the user experience to your specific requirements.

# 🚺 Note

Always thoroughly test your JavaScript actions to ensure they are functioning as expected.

# Hyperlink

The **Hyperlink** component provides a clickable link for navigating to external URLs or internal application routes.

# Hyperlink properties

# Content

• Hyperlink label: The text to be displayed as the hyperlink label.

# URL

The destination URL for the hyperlink, which can be an external website or an internal application route.

# Triggers

When the hyperlink is clicked, you can configure one or more actions to be triggered. The available action types are the same as those for the button components.

# **Date & time components**

# Date

The **Date** component allows users to select and input dates.

The **Date** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Validation. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

In addition to the common properties, the **Date** component has the following specific properties:

### Date properties

#### Format

 YYYY/MM/DD, DD/MM/YYYY, YYYY/MM/DD, YYYY/DD/MM, MM/DD, DD/MM: The format in which the date should be displayed.

#### Value

• YYYY-MM-DD: The format in which the date value is stored internally.

#### Min date

• YYYY-MM-DD: The minimum date that can be selected.

#### Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

### Max date

• YYYY-MM-DD: The maximum date that can be selected.

#### Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

### Calendar type

• 1 Month, 2 Months: The type of calendar UI to display.

### **Disabled dates**

- Source: The data source for the dates that should be disabled. For example: None, Expression.
- **Disabled dates**: An expression that determines which dates should be disabled, such as:

- {{currentRow.column}}: Disables dates that match what this expression evaluates to.
- {{new Date(currentRow.dateColumn) < new Date("2023-01-01")}}: Disables dates before January 1, 2023
- {{new Date(currentRow.dateColumn).getDay() === 0 || new Date(currentRow.dateColumn).getDay() === 6}}: Disables weekends.

#### **Behavior**

- Visible if: An expression that determines the visibility of the Date component.
- Disable if: An expression that determines whether the Date component should be disabled.

### Validation

The **Validation** section allows you to define additional rules and constraints for the date input. By configuring these validation rules, you can ensure that the date values entered by users meet the specific requirements of your application. You can add the following types of validations:

- **Required**: This toggle ensures that the user must enter a date value before submitting the form.
- **Custom**: You can create custom validation rules using JavaScript expressions. For example:

{{new Date(ui.dateInput.value) < new Date("2023-01-01")}}</pre>

This expression checks if the entered date is before January 1, 2023. If the condition is true, the validation will fail.

You can also provide a custom validation message to be displayed when the validation is not met:

"Validation not met. The date must be on or after January 1, 2023."

By configuring these validation rules, you can ensure that the date values entered by users meet the specific requirements of your application.

### **Expressions and examples**

The **Date** component provides the following expression field:

• {{ui.dateID.value}}: Returns the date value entered by the user in the format YYYY-MM-DD.

#### Time

The **Time** component allows users to select and input time values. By configuring the various properties of the **Time** component, you can create time input fields that meet the specific requirements of your application, such as restricting the selectable time range, disabling certain times, and controlling the component's visibility and interactivity.

### **Time properties**

The **Time** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Validation. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common component</u> properties.

In addition to the common properties, the Time component has the following specific properties:

### **Time intervals**

• **5 minutes**, **10 minutes**, **15 minutes**, **20 minutes**, **25 minutes**, **30 minutes**, **60 minutes**: The intervals available for selecting the time.

#### Value

• HH:MM AA: The format in which the time value is stored internally.

#### (i) Note

This value must match the format of HH: MM AA.

### Placeholder

• Calendar settings: The placeholder text displayed when the time field is empty.

#### Min time

• HH:MM AA: The minimum time that can be selected.

#### Note

This value must match the format of HH: MM AA.

#### Max time

• HH:MM AA: The maximum time that can be selected.

#### Note

This value must match the format of HH:MM AA.

#### **Disabled times**

- Source: The data source for the times that should be disabled (e.g., None, Expression).
- Disabled times: An expression that determines which times should be disabled, such as
  {{currentRow.column}}.

#### **Disabled times configuration**

You can use the **Disabled Times** section to specify which time values should be unavailable for selection.

#### Source

- None: No times are disabled.
- Expression: You can use a JavaScript expression to determine which times should be disabled, such as {{currentRow.column}}.

#### **Example expression:**

```
{{currentRow.column === "Lunch Break"}}
```

This expression would disable any times where the "Lunch Break" column is true for the current row.

By configuring these validation rules and disabled time expressions, you can ensure that the time values entered by users meet the specific requirements of your application.

#### Behavior

- Visible if: An expression that determines the visibility of the Time component.
- Disable if: An expression that determines whether the Time component should be disabled.

#### Validation

- **Required**: A toggle that ensures the user must enter a time value before submitting the form.
- Custom: Allows you to create custom validation rules using JavaScript expressions.

**Custom Validation Message**: The message to be displayed when the custom validation is not met.

For example:

{{ui.timeInput.value === "09:00 AM" || ui.timeInput.value === "09:30 AM"}}

This expression checks if the entered time is 9:00 AM or 9:30 AM. If the condition is true, the validation will fail.

You can also provide a custom validation message to be displayed when the validation is not met:

Validation not met. The time must be 9:00 AM or 9:30 AM.

#### **Expressions and examples**

The Time component provides the following expression field:

• {{ui.timeID.value}}: Returns the time value entered by the user in the format HH:MM AA.

### Example: Time value

• {{ui.timeID.value}}: Returns the time value entered by the user in the format HH:MM AA.

#### **Example: Time comparison**

- {{ui.timeInput.value > "10:00 AM"}}: Checks if the time value is greater than 10:00 AM.
- {{ui.timeInput.value < "05:00 pM"}}: Checks if the time value is less than 05:00 PM.

#### Date range

The **Date range** component allows users to select and input a range of dates. By configuring the various properties of the Date Range component, you can create date range input fields that meet the specific requirements of your application, such as restricting the selectable date range, disabling certain dates, and controlling the component's visibility and interactivity.

#### Date range properties

The **Date Range** component shares several common properties with other components, such as Name, Source, and Validation. For more information on these properties, see <u>Common</u> component properties.

In addition to the common properties, the **Date Range** component has the following specific properties:

#### Format

• MM/DD/YYYY: The format in which the date range should be displayed.

### Start date

• YYYY-MM-DD: The minimum date that can be selected as the start of the range.

### Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

### End date

• **YYYY-MM-DD**: The maximum date that can be selected as the end of the range.

# (i) Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

# Placeholder

• Calendar settings: The placeholder text displayed when the date range field is empty.

### Min date

• YYYY-MM-DD: The minimum date that can be selected.

# i Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

# Max date

• **YYYY-MM-DD**: The maximum date that can be selected.

### Note

This value must match the format of YYYY-MM-DD.

# **Calendar type**

- **1** Month: The type of calendar UI to display. For example, single month.
- **2** Month: The type of calendar UI to display. For example, two months.

### Mandatory days selected

• **0**: The number of mandatory days that must be selected within the date range.

### **Disabled dates**

- **Source**: The data source for the dates that should be disabled (e.g., None, Expression, Entity, or Automation).
- Disabled dates: An expression that determines which dates should be disabled, such as {{currentRow.column}}.

### Validation

The **Validation** section allows you to define additional rules and constraints for the date range input.

### **Expressions and examples**

The **Date Range** component provides the following expression fields:

- {{ui.dateRangeID.startDate}}: Returns the start date of the selected range in the format YYYY-MM-DD.
- {{ui.dateRangeID.endDate}}: Returns the end date of the selected range in the format YYYY-MM-DD.

### **Example: Calculating date difference**

 {(new Date(ui.dateRangeID.endDate) - new Date(ui.dateRangeID.startDate)) / (1000 \* 60 \* 60 \* 24)}} Calculates the number of days between the start and end dates.

# Example: Conditional visibility based on date range

{{new Date(ui.dateRangeID.startDate) < new Date("2023-01-01") || new Date(ui.dateRangeID.endDate) > new Date("2023-12-31")}} Checks if the selected date range is outside of the year 2023.

### Example: Disabled dates based on current row data

 {{currentRow.isHoliday}} Disables dates where the "isHoliday" column in the current row is true.

- {{new Date(currentRow.dateColumn) < new Date("2023-01-01")}} Disables dates before January 1, 2023 based on the "dateColumn" in the current row.
- {{new Date(currentRow.dateColumn).getDay() === 0 || new Date(currentRow.dateColumn).getDay() === 6}} Disables weekends based on the "dateColumn" in the current row.

### **Custom validation**

{{new Date(ui.dateRangeID.startDate) > new Date(ui.dateRangeID.endDate)}}
 Checks if the start date is later than the end date, which would fail the custom validation.

# Media components

The application studio provides several components for embedding and displaying various media types within your application.

# iFrame embed

The **iFrame embed** component allows you to embed external web content or applications within your application using an iFrame.

# iFrame embed properties

### URL

# (i) Note

The source of the media displayed in this component must be allowed in your application's content security settings. For more information, see <u>Viewing or updating your app's content</u> <u>security settings</u>.

The URL of the external content or application you want to embed.

# Layout

- Width: The width of the iFrame, specified as a percentage (%) or a fixed pixel value (e.g., 300px).
- Height: The height of the iFrame, specified as a percentage (%) or a fixed pixel value.

# S3 upload

The **S3 upload** component allows users to upload files to an Amazon S3 bucket. By configuring the **S3 Upload** component, you can enable users to easily upload files to your application's Amazon S3 storage, and then leverage the uploaded file information within your application's logic and user interface.

### 1 Note

Remember to ensure that the necessary permissions and Amazon S3 bucket configurations are in place to support the file uploads and storage requirements of your application.

# S3 upload properties

# S3 Configuration

- **Connector**: Select the pre-configured Amazon S3 connector to use for the file uploads.
- Bucket: The Amazon S3 bucket where the files will be uploaded.
- Folder: The folder within the Amazon S3 bucket where the files will be stored.
- File name: The naming convention for the uploaded files.

# File upload configuration

- Label: The label or instructions displayed above the file upload area.
- **Description**: Additional instructions or information about the file upload.
- File type: The type of files that are allowed to be uploaded. For example: image, document, or video.
- Size: The maximum size of the individual files that can be uploaded.
- Button label: The text displayed on the file selection button.
- Button style: The style of the file selection button. For example, outlined or filled.
- Button size: The size of the file selection button.

### Validation

• Max number of files: The maximum number of files that can be uploaded at once.

# Triggers

- **On success**: Actions to be triggered when a file upload is successful.
- On failure: Actions to be triggered when a file upload fails.

# S3 upload expression fields

The **S3 upload** component provides the following expression fields:

- {{ui.s3uploadID.files}}: Returns an array of the files that have been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files[0]?.size}}: Returns the size of the file at the designated index.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files[0]?.type}}: Returns the type of the file at the designated index.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files[0]?.nameOnly}}: Returns the name of the file, with no extension suffix, at the designated index.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files[0]?.nameWithExtension}}: Returns the name of the file with its extension suffix at the designated index.

# **Expressions and examples**

# Example: Accessing uploaded files

- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.length}}: Returns the number of files that have been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.map(f => f.name).join(', ')}}: Returns a comma-separated list of the file names that have been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.filter(f => f.type.startsWith('image/'))}: Returns an array of only the image files that have been uploaded.

# Example: Validating file uploads

- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.some(f => f.size > 5 \* 1024 \* 1024)}}: Checks if any of the uploaded files exceed 5 MB in size.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.every(f => f.type === 'image/png')}}: Checks if all the uploaded files are PNG images.

• {{ui.s3uploadID.files.length > 3}}: Checks if more than 3 files have been uploaded.

### **Example: Triggering actions**

- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.length > 0 ? 'Upload Successful' : 'No files uploaded'}}: Displays a success message if at least one file has been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.some(f => f.type.startsWith('video/')) ? triggerVideoProcessing() : null}}: Triggers a video processing automation if any video files have been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3uploadID.files.map(f => f.url)}}: Retrieves the URLs of the uploaded files, which can be used to display or further process the files.

These expressions allow you to access the uploaded files, validate the file uploads, and trigger actions based on the file upload results. By utilizing these expressions, you can create more dynamic and intelligent behavior within your application's file upload functionality.

### 🚺 Note

Replace *s3uploadID* with the ID of your **S3 upload** component.

# **PDF** viewer component

The **PDF viewer** component allows users to view and interact with PDF documents within your application. App Studio supports these different input types for the PDF Source, the **PDF viewer** component provides flexibility in how you can integrate PDF documents into your application, whether it's from a static URL, an inline data URI, or dynamically generated content.

# **PDF** viewer properties

### Source

### i Note

The source of the media displayed in this component must be allowed in your application's content security settings. For more information, see <u>Viewing or updating your app's content</u> <u>security settings</u>.

The source of the PDF document, which can be an expression, entity, URL, or automation.

#### Expression

Use an expression to dynamically generate the PDF source.

# Entity

Connect the **PDF viewer** component to a data entity that contains the PDF document.

### URL

Specify the URL of the PDF document.

# URL

You can enter a URL that points to the PDF document you want to display. This could be a public web URL or a URL within your own application.

Example: https://example.com/document.pdf

### Data URI

A **Data URI** is a compact way to include small data files (like images or PDFs) inline within your application. The PDF document is encoded as a base64 string and included directly in the component's configuration.

# **Blob or ArrayBuffer**

You can also provide the PDF document as a Blob or ArrayBuffer object, which allows you to dynamically generate or retrieve the PDF data from various sources within your application.

### Automation

Connect the **PDF viewer** component to an automation that provides the PDF document.

### Actions

• Download: Adds a button or link that allows users to download the PDF document.

### Layout

• Width: The width of the PDF Viewer, specified as a percentage (%) or a fixed pixel value (e.g., 600px).

• Height: The height of the PDF Viewer, specified as a fixed pixel value.

### Image viewer

The **Image viewer** component allows users to view and interact with image files within your application.

### Image viewer properties

### Source

# (i) Note

The source of the media displayed in this component must be allowed in your application's content security settings. For more information, see <u>Viewing or updating your app's content</u> <u>security settings</u>.

- Entity: Connect the Image viewer component to a data entity that contains the image file.
- URL: Specify the URL of the image file.
- **Expression**: Use an expression to dynamically generate the image source.
- Automation: Connect the Image viewer component to an automation that provides the image file.

### Alt text

The alternative text description of the image, which is used for accessibility purposes.

### Layout

- Image fit: Determines how the image should be resized and displayed within the component. For example: Contain, Cover, or Fill.
- Width: The width of the Image viewer component, specified as a percentage (%) or a fixed pixel value (e.g., 300px).
- Height: The height of the Image viewer component, specified as a fixed pixel value.
- Background: Allows you to set a background color or image for the Image viewer component.

# Automations and actions: Define your app's business logic

**Automations** are how you define the business logic of your application. The main components of an automation are: triggers that start the automation, a sequence of one or more actions, input parameters used to pass data to the automation, and an output.

# Topics

- <u>Automations concepts</u>
- <u>Creating, editing, and deleting automations</u>
- <u>Adding, editing, and deleting automation actions</u>
- <u>Automation actions reference</u>

# **Automations concepts**

Here are some concepts and terms to know when defining and configuring your app's business logic using automations in App Studio.

# Automations

**Automations** are how you define the business logic of your application. The main components of an automation are: triggers that start the automation, a sequence of one or more actions, input parameters used to pass data to the automation, and an output.

# Actions

An automation action, commonly referred to as an **action**, is an individual step of logic that make up an automation. Each action performs a specific task, whether it's sending an email, creating a data record, invoking a Lambda function, or calling APIs. Actions are added to automations from the action library, and can be grouped into conditional statements or loops.

# **Automation input parameters**

**Automation input parameters** are dynamic input values that you can pass in from components to automations to make them flexible and reusable. Think of parameters as variables for your automation, instead of hard-coding values into an automation, you can define parameters and provide different values when needed. Parameters allow you to use the same automation with different inputs each time it is run.

# **Mocked output**

Some actions interact with external resources or services using connectors. When using the preview environment, applications do not interact with external services. To test actions that use connectors in the preview environment, you can use **mocked output** to simulate the connector's behavior and output. The mocked output is configured using JavaScript, and the result is stored in an action's results, just as the connector's response is stored in a published app.

By using mocking, you can use the preview environment to test various scenarios and their impact on other actions with the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without calling the external service through connectors.

# **Automation output**

An **automation output** is used to pass values from one automation to other resources of an app, such as components or other automations. Automation outputs are configured as expressions, and the expression can return a static value or a dynamic value computed from automation parameters and actions. By default, automations do not return any data, including the results of actions within the automation.

A couple of examples of how automation outputs can be used:

- You can configure an automation output to return an array, and pass that array to populate a data component.
- You can use an automation to calculate a value, and pass that value into multiple other automations as a way to centralize and reuse business logic.

# Triggers

A **trigger** determines when, and on what conditions, an automation will run. Some examples of triggers are On click for buttons and On select for text inputs. The type of component determines the list of available triggers for that component. Triggers are added to <u>components</u> and configured in the application studio.

# Creating, editing, and deleting automations

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- Deleting an automation

# **Creating an automation**

Use the following procedure to create an automation in an App Studio application. Once created, an automation must be configured by editing its properties and adding actions to it.

#### To create an automation

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- 3. If you have no automations, choose **+ Add automation** in the canvas. Otherwise, in the leftside **Automations** menu, choose **+ Add**.
- 4. A new automation will be created, and you can start editing its properties or adding and configuring actions to define your application's business logic.

# Viewing or editing automation properties

Use the following procedure to view or edit automation properties.

#### To view or edit automation properties

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- 3. In the left-hand **Automations** menu, choose the automation for which you want to view or edit properties to open the right-side **Properties** menu.
- 4. In the **Properties** menu, you can view the following properties:
  - Automation identifier: The unique name of the automation. To edit it, enter a new identifier in the text field.
  - Automation parameters: Automation parameters are used to pass dynamic values from your app's UI to automation and data actions. To add a parameter, choose + Add. Choose the pencil icon to change the parameter's name, description, or type. To remove a parameter, choose the trash icon.

# 🚺 Tip

You can also add automation parameters directly from the canvas.

- Automation output: The automation output is used to configure which data from the automation can be referenced in other automations or components. By default, automations do not create an output. To add an automation output choose + Add. To remove the output, choose the trash icon.
- 5. You define what an automation does by adding and configuring actions. For more information about actions, see <u>Adding, editing, and deleting automation actions</u> and <u>Automation actions</u> reference.

# **Deleting an automation**

Use the following procedure to delete an automation in an App Studio application.

# To delete an automation

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- In the left-side Automations menu, choose the ellipses menu of the automation you want to delete, and choose Delete. Alternatively, you can choose the trash icon from the right-side Properties menu of the automation.
- 4. In the confirmation dialog box, choose **Delete**.

# Adding, editing, and deleting automation actions

An automation action, commonly referred to as an **action**, is an individual step of logic that make up an automation. Each action performs a specific task, whether it's sending an email, creating a data record, invoking a Lambda function, or calling APIs. Actions are added to automations from the action library, and can be grouped into conditional statements or loops.

# Contents

- Adding an automation action
- Viewing and editing automation action properties

• Deleting an automation action

# Adding an automation action

Use the following procedure to add an action to an automation in an App Studio application.

### To add an automation action

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Automations** menu, choose the automation you want to add an action to.
- 4. In the right-hand **Action** menu, choose the action you want to add, or drag and drop the action into the canvas. After the action is created, you can choose the action to configure the action properties to define the action's functionality. For more information about action properties and configuring them, see Automation actions reference.

# Viewing and editing automation action properties

Use the following procedure to view or edit an automation action's properties in an App Studio application.

# To view or edit automation action properties

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Automations** menu, choose the action of which you want to view or edit properties. Alternatively, you can choose the action in the canvas when viewing the automation that contains it.
- 4. You can view or edit the action properties in the right-side **Properties** menu. The properties for an action are different for each action type. For more information about action properties and configuring them, see <u>Automation actions reference</u>.

# Deleting an automation action

Use the following procedure to delete an action from an automation in an App Studio application.

#### To delete an automation action

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose the **Automations** tab.
- 3. In the left-side **Automations** menu, choose the automation that contains the action you want to delete.
- 4. In the canvas, choose the trash icon in the action you want to delete and choose **Delete**.

# **Automation actions reference**

The following is the reference documentation for automation actions used in App Studio.

An automation action, commonly referred to as an **action**, is an individual step of logic that make up an automation. Each action performs a specific task, whether it's sending an email, creating a data record, invoking a Lambda function, or calling APIs. Actions are added to automations from the action library, and can be grouped into conditional statements or loops.

For information about creating and configuring automations and their actions, see the topics in Automations and actions: Define your app's business logic.

# Invoke API

Invokes an HTTP REST API request. Builders can use this action to send requests from App Studio to other systems or services with APIs. For example, you could use it to connect to third-party systems or homegrown applications to access business critical data, or invoke API endpoints that cannot be called by dedicated App Studio actions.

For more information about REST APIs, see What is a RESTful API?.

### Properties

### Connector

The **Connector** to use for the API requests made by this action. The connector dropdown only contains connectors of the following types: API Connector and OpenAPI Connector. Depending on how the connector is configured, it can contain important information such as credentials and default headers or query parameters.

For more information about API connectors, including a comparison between using API Connector and OpenAPI Connector, see Connect to third-party services.

# **API request configuration properties**

Choose **Configure API request** from the properties panel to open the request configuration dialog box. If an **API connector** is selected, the dialog box will include connector information.

Method: The method for the API call. Possible values are as follows:

- DELETE: Deletes a specified resource.
- GET: Retrieves information or data.
- HEAD: Retrieves only the headers of a response without the body.
- POST: Submits data to be processed.
- PUSH: Submits data to be processed.
- PATCH: Partially updates a specified resource.

Path: The relative path to the resource.

**Headers:** Any headers in the form of key-value pairs to be sent with the API request. If a connector is selected, its configured headers will be automatically added and cannot be removed. The configured headers cannot be edited, but you can override them by adding another header with the same name.

**Query parameters:** Any query parameters in the form of key-value pairs to be sent with the API request. If a connector is selected, its configured query parameters will be automatically added and cannot be edited or removed.

**Body:** Information to be sent with the API request in JSON format. There is no body for GET requests.

# **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Invoke AWS

Invokes an operation from an AWS service. This is a general action for calling AWS services or operations, and should be used if there is not a dedicated action for the desired AWS service or operation.

# Properties

# Service

The AWS service which contains the operation to be run.

# Operation

The operation to be run.

# Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The JSON input to be when running the specified operation. For more information about configuring inputs for AWS operations, see the <u>AWS SDK for JavaScript</u>.

# Invoke Lambda

Invokes an existing Lambda function.

# Properties

# Connector

The connector to be used for the Lambda functions run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to access the Lambda function, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains the Lambda function. For more information about configuring a connector for Lambda, see <u>Step 3: Create Lambda connector</u>.

# **Function name**

The name of the Lambda function to be run. Note that this is the function name, and not the function ARN (Amazon Resource Name).

### **Function event**

Key-value pairs to be passed along to your Lambda function as the event payload.

### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Loop

Runs nested actions repeatedly to iterate through a list of items, one item at a time. For example, add the <u>Create record</u> action to a loop action to create multiple records.

The loop action can be nested within other loops or condition actions. The loop actions are run sequentially, and not in parallel. The results of each action within the loop can only be accessed to subsequent actions within the same loop iteration. They cannot be accessed outside of the loop or in different iterations of the loop.

# Properties

### Source

The list of items to iterate through, one item at a time. The source can be the result of a previous action or a static list of strings, numbers, or objects that you can provide using a JavaScript expression.

# Examples

The following list contains examples of source inputs.

- Results from a previous action: {{results.actionName.data}}
- A list of numbers: {{[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]}}
- A list of strings: {{["apple", "banana", "orange", "grape", "kiwi"]}}
- A computed value: {{params.actionName.split("\n")}}

### Current item name

The name of the variable that can be used to reference the current item being iterated. The current item name is configurable so that you can nest two or more loops and access variables from each loop. For example, if you are looping through countries and cities with two loops, you could configure and reference currentCountry and currentCity.

# Condition

Runs actions based on the result of one or more specified logical conditions that are evaluated when the automation is run. The condition action is made up of the following components:

- A *condition* field, which is used to provide a JavaScript expression that evaluates to true or false.
- A *true branch*, which contains actions that are run if the condition evalutes to true.
- A *false branch*, which contains actions that are run if the condition evalutes to false.

Add actions to the true and false branches by dragging them into the condition action.

### **Properties**

### Condition

The JavaScript expression to be evaluated when the action is run.

# Create record

Creates one record in an existing App Studio entity.

# Properties

### Entity

The entity in which a record is to be created. Once an entity is selected, values must be added to the entity's fields for the record to be created. The types of the fields, and if the fields are required or optional are defined in the entity.

# Update record

Updates an existing record in an App Studio entity.

### Properties

# Entity

The entity that contains the records to be updated.

### Conditions

The criteria that defines which records are updated by the action. You can group conditions to create one logical statement. You can combine groups or conditions with AND or OR statements.

### Fields

The fields to be updated in the records specified by the conditions.

### Values

The values to be updated in the specified fields.

# **Delete record**

Deletes a record from an App Studio entity.

### **Properties**

### Entity

The entity that contains the records to be deleted.

### Conditions

The criteria that defines which records are deleted by the action. You can group conditions to create one logic statement. You can combine groups or conditions with AND or OR statements.

# Invoke data action

Runs a data action with optional parameters.

Properties

#### **Data action**

The data action to be run by the action.

### Parameters

Data action parameters to be used by the data action. Data action parameters are used to send values that are used as inputs for data actions. Data action parameters can be added when configuring the automation action, but must be edited in the **Data** tab.

### **Advanced settings**

The Invoke data action action contains the following advanced settings:

- **Page size:** The maximum number of records to fetch in each query. The default value is 500, and the maximum value is 3000.
- **Pagination token:** The token used to fetch additional records from a query. For example, if the Page size is set to 500, but there are more than 500 records, passing the pagination token to a subsequent query will fetch the next 500. The token will be undefined if no more records or pages exist.

# Amazon S3: Put object

Uses the Amazon S3 PutObject operation to add an object identified by a key (file path) to a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

### Properties

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the appropriate credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

### Configuration

The required options to be used in the PutObject command. The options are as follows:

### 1 Note

For more information about the Amazon S3 PutObject operation, see <u>PutObject</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service API Reference*.

- Bucket: The name of the Amazon S3 bucket in which to put an object.
- Key: The unique name of the object to be put into the Amazon S3 bucket.
- **Body:** The content of the object to be put into the Amazon S3 bucket.

### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon S3: Delete object

Uses the Amazon S3 DeleteObject operation to delete an object identified by a key (file path) from a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

# Properties

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The required options to be used in the DeleteObject command. The options are as follows:

### Note

For more information about the Amazon S3 DeleteObject operation, see <u>DeleteObject</u> in the Amazon Simple Storage Service API Reference.

• Bucket: The name of the Amazon S3 bucket from which to delete an object.

• Key: The unique name of the object to be deleted from the Amazon S3 bucket.

# Mocked output

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon S3: Get object

Uses the Amazon S3 GetObject operation to retrieve an object identified by a key (file path) from a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

# Properties

# Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The required options to be used in the GetObject command. The options are as follows:

# 🚯 Note

For more information about the Amazon S3 GetObject operation, see <u>GetObject</u> in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service API Reference*.

- Bucket: The name of the Amazon S3 bucket from which to retrieve an object.
- Key: The unique name of the object to be retrieved from the Amazon S3 bucket.

# Mocked output

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon S3: List objects

Uses the Amazon S3 ListObjects operation to list objects in a specified Amazon S3 bucket.

### **Properties**

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The required options to be used in the ListObjects command. The options are as follows:

### Note

For more information about the Amazon S3 ListObjects operation, see <u>ListObjects</u> in the Amazon Simple Storage Service API Reference.

• Bucket: The name of the Amazon S3 bucket from which to list objects.

# **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the

preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon Textract: Analyze document

Uses the Amazon Textract AnalyzeDocument operation to analyze an input document for relationships between detected items.

# Properties

# Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the AnalyzeDocument command. The options are as follows:

# 🚯 Note

For more information about the Amazon Textract AnalyzeDocument operation, see AnalyzeDocument in the Amazon Textract Developer Guide.

- **Document / S3Object / Bucket:** The name of the Amazon S3 bucket. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- **Document / S3Object / Name:** The file name of the input document. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- Document / S3Object / Version: If the Amazon S3 bucket has versioning enabled, you can specify the version of the object. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the S3 upload component.
- **FeatureTypes:** A list of the types of analysis to perform. Valid values are: TABLES, FORMS, QUERIES, SIGNATURES, and LAYOUT.

# Mocked output

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon Textract: Analyze expense

Uses the Amazon Textract AnalyzeExpense operation to analyze an input document for financially-related relationships between text.

# Properties

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the AnalyzeExpense command. The options are as follows:

# i Note

For more information about the Amazon Textract AnalyzeExpense operation, see AnalyzeExpense in the Amazon Textract Developer Guide.

- **Document / S3Object / Bucket:** The name of the Amazon S3 bucket. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- **Document / S3Object / Name:** The file name of the input document. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.

 Document / S3Object / Version: If the Amazon S3 bucket has versioning enabled, you can specify the version of the object. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the S3 upload component.

### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon Textract: Analyze ID

Uses the Amazon Textract AnalyzeID operation to analyze an identity document for relevant information.

### Properties

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the AnalyzeID command. The options are as follows:

### Note

For more information about the Amazon Textract AnalyzeID operation, see <u>AnalyzeID</u> in the *Amazon Textract Developer Guide*.

• **Document / S3Object / Bucket:** The name of the Amazon S3 bucket. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.

- **Document / S3Object / Name:** The file name of the input document. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- Document / S3Object / Version: If the Amazon S3 bucket has versioning enabled, you can specify the version of the object. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the S3 upload component.

### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Amazon Textract: Detect doc text

Uses the Amazon Textract DetectDocumentText operation to detect lines of text and the words that make up a line of text in an input document.

# Properties

### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

# Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the DetectDocumentText command. The options are as follows:

### 1 Note

For more information about the Amazon Textract DetectDocumentText operation, see <u>DetectDocumentText</u> in the Amazon Textract Developer Guide.
- **Document / S3Object / Bucket:** The name of the Amazon S3 bucket. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- **Document / S3Object / Name:** The file name of the input document. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the **S3 upload** component.
- Document / S3Object / Version: If the Amazon S3 bucket has versioning enabled, you can specify the version of the object. This parameter can be left empty if a file is passed to the action with the S3 upload component.

#### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

#### **Amazon Bedrock: GenAl Prompt**

Uses the <u>Amazon Bedrock InvokeModel</u> operation to run inference using the prompt and inference parameters provided in the action properties. The action can generate text, images, and embeddings.

#### Properties

#### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. To use this action successfully, the connector must be configured with **Amazon Bedrock Runtime** as the service. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

#### Model

The foundation model to be used by Amazon Bedrock to process the request. For more information about models in Amazon Bedrock, see <u>Amazon Bedrock foundation model information</u> in the *Amazon Bedrock User Guide*.

#### Input type

The input type of the input send to the Amazon Bedrock model. The possible values are **Text**, **Document**, and **Image**. If an input type is not available for selection, it is likely not supported by the configured model.

#### User prompt

The prompt to be sent to the Amazon Bedrock model to be processed to generate a response. You can enter static text, or pass in an input from another part of your application, such as from a component using parameters, a previous action in the automation, or another automation. The following examples show how to pass in a value from a component or previous action:

- To pass a value from a component using paramters: {{params.paramName}}
- To pass a value from a previous action: {{results.actionName}}

#### System prompt (Claude models)

The system prompt to be used by the Amazon Bedrock model when processing the request. The system prompt is used to provide context, instructions, or guidelines to Claude models.

#### **Request settings**

Configure various request settings and model inference parameters. You can configure the following settings:

- Temperature: The temperature to be used by the Amazon Bedrock model when processing the request. The temperature determines the randomness or creativity of the Bedrock model's output. The higher the temperature, the more creative and less analytical the response will be. Possible values are [0-10].
- Max Tokens: Limit the length of the output of the Amazon Bedrock model.
- **TopP**: In nucleus sampling, the model computes the cumulative distribution over all the options for each subsequent token in decreasing probability order and cuts it off once it reaches a particular probability specified by the **TopP**. You should alter either **temperature** or **TopP**, but not both
- **Stop Sequences**: Sequences that cause the model to stop processing the request and generating output.

For more information, see <u>Inference request parameters and response fields for foundation models</u> in the *Amazon Bedrock User Guide*.

#### **Stop Sequences**

Enter an Amazon Bedrock Guardrail **ID** and **Version**. Guardrails are used to implement safeguards based on your use cases and responsible AI policies. For more information, see <u>Stop harmful</u> <u>content in models using Amazon Bedrock Guardrails</u> in the *Amazon Bedrock User Guide*.

#### Mocked output

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

### Amazon Bedrock: Invoke model

Uses the <u>Amazon Bedrock InvokeModel</u> operation to run inference using the prompt and inference parameters provided in the request body. You use model inference to generate text, images, and embeddings.

#### Properties

#### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. To use this action successfully, the connector must be configured with **Amazon Bedrock Runtime** as the service. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

#### Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the InvokeModel command.

#### (i) Note

For more information about the Amazon Bedrock InvokeModel operation, including example commands, see InvokeModel in the Amazon Bedrock API Reference.

#### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

### JavaScript

Runs a custom JavaScript function to return a specified value.

#### <u> Important</u>

App Studio does not support using third-party or custom JavaScript libraries.

#### **Properties**

#### Source code

The JavaScript code snippet to be run by the action.

#### 🚺 Tip

You can use AI to help generate JavaScript for you by performing the following steps:

- 1. Choose the expand icon to open the expanded JavaScript editor.
- (Optional): Enable the Modify code toggle to modify any existing JavaScript.
   Otherwise, AI will replace any existing JavaScript.

- 3. In **Generate JavaScript**, describe what you want to do with JavaScript, for example: **Add two numbers**.
- 4. Choose the send icon to generate your JavaScript.

#### **Invoke automation**

Runs a specified automation.

#### Properties

#### **Invoke Automation**

The automation to be run by the action.

#### Send email

Uses the Amazon SES SendEmail operation to send an email.

#### Properties

#### Connector

The connector to be used for the operations run by this action. The configured connector should be set up with the proper credentials to run the operation, and other configuration information, such as the AWS region that contains any resources referenced in the operation.

#### Configuration

The content of the request to be used in the SendEmail command. The options are as follows:

#### 1 Note

For more information about the Amazon SES SendEmail operation, see <u>SendEmail</u> in the *Amazon Simple Email Service API Reference*.

#### **Mocked output**

Actions do not interact with external services or resources in the preview environment. The **Mocked output** field is used to provide a JSON expression that simulates the behavior of a connector in the

preview environment for testing purposes. This snippet is stored in the action's results map, just like the connector response would be for a published app in the live environment.

With this field, you can test various scenarios and their impact on other actions within the automation such as simulating different result values, error scenarios, edge cases, or unhappy paths without communicating with external services through connectors.

# Entities and data actions: Configure your app's data model

**Entities** are data tables in App Studio. Entities interact directly with tables in data sources. Entities include fields to describe the data in them, queries to locate and return data, and mapping to connect the entity's fields to a data source's columns.

#### Topics

- Best practices when designing data models
- <u>Creating an entity in an App Studio app</u>
- <u>Configuring or editing an entity in an App Studio app</u>
- Deleting an entity
- Managed data entities in AWS App Studio

## Best practices when designing data models

Use the following best practices to create a robust, scalable, and secure relational data model in AWS for use in your App Studio application that meets your application's requirements and ensures the long-term reliability and performance of your data infrastructure.

Choose the right AWS data service: Depending on your requirements, choose the appropriate AWS data service. For example, for an Online Transaction Processing (OLTP) application, you could consider a database (DB) such as Amazon Aurora which is a cloud-native, relational, and fully-managed database service that supports various database engines like MySQL and PostgreSQL. For a full list of Aurora versions supported by App Studio, see <u>Connect to Amazon Aurora</u>. On the other hand, for Online Analytical Processing (OLAP) use cases, consider using Amazon Redshift, which is a cloud data warehouse that lets you run complex queries against very large datasets. These queries can often take time (many seconds) to complete, making Amazon Redshift less suitable for OLTP applications that require low-latency data access.

- Design for scalability: Plan your data model with future growth and scalability in mind. Consider factors like expected data volume, access patterns, and performance requirements when choosing an appropriate data service and database instance type and configuration (such as provisioned capacity).
  - For more information about scaling with Aurora serverless, see <u>Performance and scaling for</u> Aurora Serverless V2.
- Normalize your data: Follow the principles of database normalization to minimize data redundancy and improve data integrity. This includes creating appropriate tables, defining primary and foreign keys, and establishing relationships between entities. In App Studio, when querying data from one entity, you can retrieve related data from another entity by specifying a join clause on the query.
- Implement appropriate indexing: Identify the most important queries and access patterns, and create appropriate indexes to optimize performance.
- Leverage AWS data services features: Take advantage of the features offered by the AWS data service you choose, such as automated backups, multi-AZ deployments, and automatic software updates.
- Secure your data: Implement robust security measures, such as IAM (AWS Identity and Access Management) policies, creation of database users with restricted permissions to tables and schemas, and enforce encryption at rest and in transit.
- Monitor and optimize performance: Continuously monitor your database's performance and make adjustments as needed, such as scaling resources, optimizing queries, or tuning database configurations.
- Automate database management: Utilize AWS services like Aurora Autoscaling, Performance Insights for Aurora, and AWS Database Migration Service to automate database management tasks and reduce operational overhead.
- Implement disaster recovery and backup strategies: Ensure that you have a well-defined backup and recovery plan, leveraging features like Aurora Automated Backups, point-in-time recovery, and cross-region replica configurations.
- Follow AWS best practices and documentation: Stay up-to-date with the latest AWS best practices, guidelines, and documentation for your chosen data service to ensure that your data model and implementation are aligned with AWS recommendations.

For more detailed guidance from each AWS data service, see the following topics:

Best practices with Amazon Aurora

- Best practices with Amazon Aurora MySQL
- <u>Amazon Redshift query performance tuning</u>
- Best practices for querying and scanning data in Amazon DynamoDB

## Creating an entity in an App Studio app

There are four methods for creating an entity in an App Studio app. The following list contains each method, its benefits, and a link to the instructions for using that method to create and then configure the entity.

- <u>Creating an entity from an existing data source</u>: Automatically create an entity and its fields from an existing data source table and map the fields to the data source table columns. This option is preferable if you have an existing data source that you want to use in your App Studio app.
- <u>Creating an entity with an App Studio managed data source</u>: Create an entity and a DynamoDB table that App Studio manages for you. The DynamoDB table is automatically updated as you update your entity. With this option, you don't have to manually create, manage, or connect a third-party data source, or designate mapping from entity fields to table columns. All of your app's data modeling and configuration is done in App Studio. This option is preferable if you don't want to manage your own data sources and a DynamoDB table and its functionality is sufficient for your app.
- <u>Creating an empty entity</u>: Create an empty entity entirely from scratch. This option is preferable if you don't have any existing data sources or connectors created by an admin, and you want to flexibly design your app's data model without being constrained by external data sources. You can connect the entity to a data source after creation.
- <u>Creating an entity with AI</u>: Generate an entity, fields, data actions, and sample data based on the specified entity name. This option is preferable if you have an idea of the data model for your app, but you want help translating it into an entity.

### Creating an entity from an existing data source

Use a table from a data source to automatically create an entity and its fields, and map the entity fields to the columns of the table. This option is preferable if you have an existing data source that you want to use in your App Studio app.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to your application.
- 2. Choose the **Data** tab at the top of the canvas.

- 3. If there are no entities in your app, choose + **Create entity**. Otherwise, in the left-side **Entities** menu, choose + **Add**.
- 4. Select Use a table from an existing data source.
- 5. In **Connector**, select the connector that contains the table you want to use to create your entity.
- 6. In **Table**, choose the table you want to use to create your entity.
- 7. Select the **Create data actions** checkbox to create data actions.
- 8. Choose **Create entity**. Your entity is now created, and you can see it in the left-hand **Entities** panel.
- 9. Configure your new entity by following the procedures in <u>Configuring or editing an entity in an App Studio app</u>. Note that because your entity was created with an existing data source, some properties or resources have already been created, such as fields, the connected data source, and field mapping. Also, your entity will contain data actions if you selected the **Create data actions** checkbox during creation.

### Creating an entity with an App Studio managed data source

Create a managed entity and corresponding DynamoDB table that is managed by App Studio. While the DynamoDB table exists in the associated AWS account, when changes are made to the entity in the App Studio app, the DynamoDB table is updated automatically. With this option, you don't have to manually create, manage, or connect a third-party data source, or designate mapping from entity fields to table columns. This option is preferable if you don't want to manage your own data sources and a DynamoDB table and its functionality is sufficient for your app. For more information about managed entities, see Managed data entities in AWS App Studio.

You can use the same managed entities in multiple applications. For instructions, see <u>Creating an</u> <u>entity from an existing data source</u>.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to your application.
- 2. Choose the **Data** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 3. If there are no entities in your app, choose **+ Create entity**. Otherwise, in the left-side **Entities** menu, choose **+ Add**.
- 4. Select Create App Studio managed entity.
- 5. In **Entity name**, provide a name for your entity.

- 6. In **Primary key**, provide a name for the primary key of your entity. The primary key is the unique identifier of the entity and cannot be changed after the entity is created.
- 7. In **Primary key data type**, select the data type of primary key of your entity. The data type cannot be changed after the entity is created.
- 8. Choose **Create entity**. Your entity is now created, and you can see it in the left-hand **Entities** panel.
- Configure your new entity by following the procedures in <u>Configuring or editing an entity</u> <u>in an App Studio app</u>. Note that because your entity was created with managed data, some properties or resources have already been created, such as the primary key field, and the connected data source.

## Creating an empty entity

Create an empty entity entirely from scratch. This option is preferable if you don't have any existing data sources or connectors created by an admin. Creating an empty entity offers flexibility, as you can design your entity within your App Studio app without being constrained by external data sources. After you design your app's data model, and configure the entity accordingly, you can still connect it to an external data source later.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to your application.
- 2. Choose the **Data** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 3. If there are no entities in your app, choose **+ Create entity**. Otherwise, in the left-side **Entities** menu, choose **+ Add**.
- 4. Select **Create an entity**.
- 5. Choose **Create entity**. Your entity is now created, and you can see it in the left-hand **Entities** panel.
- Configure your new entity by following the procedures in <u>Configuring or editing an entity in an</u> <u>App Studio app</u>.

### Creating an entity with AI

Generate an entity, fields, data actions, and sample data based on the specified entity name. This option is preferable if you have an idea of the data model for your app, but you want help translating it into an entity.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to your application.
- 2. Choose the **Data** tab at the top of the canvas.
- 3. If there are no entities in your app, choose **+ Create entity**. Otherwise, in the left-side **Entities** menu, choose **+ Add**.
- 4. Select **Create an entity with AI**.
- 5. In **Entity name**, provide a name for your entity. This name is used to generate the fields, data actions, and sample data of your entity.
- 6. Select the **Create data actions** checkbox to create data actions.
- 7. Choose **Generate an entity**. Your entity is now created, and you can see it in the left-hand **Entities** panel.
- 8. Configure your new entity by following the procedures in <u>Configuring or editing an entity in</u> <u>an App Studio app</u>. Note that because your entity was created with AI, your entity will already contain generated fields. Also, your entity will contain data actions if you selected the **Create data actions** checkbox during creation.

## Configuring or editing an entity in an App Studio app

Use the following topics to configure an entity in an App Studio application.

#### Topics

- Editing the entity name
- Adding, editing, or deleting entity fields
- Creating, editing, or deleting data actions
- Adding or deleting sample data
- Add or edit connected data source and map fields

### Editing the entity name

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity you want to edit.
- 2. In the **Configuration** tab, in **Entity name**, update the entity name and choose outside of the text box to save your changes.

## Adding, editing, or deleting entity fields

### 🚺 Tip

You can press CTRL+Z to undo the most recent change to your entity.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity you want to edit.
- 2. In the **Configuration** tab, in **Fields**, you view a table of your entity's fields. Entity fields have the following columns:
  - **Display name:** The display name is similar to a table header or form field and is viewable by application users. It can contain spaces and special characters but must be unique within an entity.
  - **System name:** The system name is a unique identifier used in code to reference a field. When mapping to a column in an Amazon Redshift table, it must match the Amazon Redshift table column name.
  - Data type: The type of data that will be stored within this field, such as Integer, Boolean, or String.
- 3. To add fields:
  - a. To use AI to generate fields based on entity name and connected data source, choose **Generate more fields**.
  - b. To add a single field, choose + Add field.
- 4. To edit a field:
  - a. To edit the display name, enter the desired value in the **Display name** text box. If the system name of the field hasn't been edited, it will be updated to the new value of the display name.
  - b. To edit the system name, enter the desired value in the **System name** text box.
  - c. To edit the data type, choose the **Data type** dropdown menu and select the desired type from the list.
  - d. To edit the field's properties, choose the gear icon of the field. The following list details the field properties:
    - **Required**: Enable this option if the field is required by your data source.

- **Primary key**: Enable this option if the field is mapped to a primary key in your data source.
- Unique: Enable this option if the value of this field must be unique.
- Use data source default: Enable this option if the value of the field is provided by the data source, such as using auto-increment, or an event timestamp.
- **Data type options**: Fields of certain data types can be configured with data type options such as minimum or maximum values.
- 5. To delete a field, choose the trash icon of the field you want to delete.

### Creating, editing, or deleting data actions

Data actions are used in applications to run actions on an entity's data, such as fetching all records, or fetching a record by ID. Data actions can be used to locate and return data matching specified conditions to be viewed in components such as tables or detail views.

#### Contents

- Creating data actions
- Editing or configuring data actions
- Data action condition operators and examples
  - Condition operator support by database
  - Data action condition examples
- Deleting data actions

#### **Creating data actions**

#### 🚺 Tip

You can press CTRL+Z to undo the most recent change to your entity.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity for which you want to create data actions.
- 2. Choose the **Data actions** tab.
- 3. There are two methods for creating data actions:

- (Recommended) To use AI to generate data actions for you, based on your entity name, fields, and connected data source, choose Generate data actions. The following actions will be generated:
  - 1. getAll: Retrieves all the records from an entity. This action is useful when you need to display a list of records or perform operations on multiple records at once.
  - 2. getByID: Retrieves a single record from an entity based on its unique identifier (ID or primary key). This action is useful when you need to display or perform operations on a specific record.
- To add a single data action, choose + Add data action.
- 4. To view or configure the new data action, see the following section, <u>Editing or configuring data</u> <u>actions</u>.

#### Editing or configuring data actions

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity for which you want to create data actions.
- 2. Choose the **Data actions** tab.
- 3. In **Fields** configure the fields to be returned by the query. By default, all of the configured fields in the entity are selected.

You can also add **Joins** to the data action by performing the following steps:

- 1. Choose + Add Join to open a dialog box.
- 2. In **Related entity**, select the entity you want to join with the current entity.
- 3. In **Alias**, optionally enter a temporary alias name for the related entity.
- 4. In **Join type**, select the desired join type.
- 5. Define the join clause by selecting the fields from each entity.
- 6. Choose **Add** to create the join.

Once created, the join will be displayed in the **Joins** section, making additional fields available in the **Fields to Return** dropdown. You can add multiple joins, including chained joins across entities. You can also filter and sort by fields from joined entities.

To delete a join, choose the trash icon next to it. This will remove any fields from that join and break any dependent joins or constraints using those fields.

- In Conditions, add, edit, or remove rules that filter the output of the query. You can organize rules into groups, and you can chain together multiple rules with AND or OR statements. For more information about the operators you can use, see <u>Data action condition operators and</u> <u>examples</u>.
- 5. In **Sorting**, configure how the query results are sorted by choosing an attribute and choosing ascending or descending order. You can remove the sorting configuration by choosing the trash icon next to the sorting rule.
- 6. In **Transform results**, you can enter custom JavaScript to modify or format results before they are displayed or sent to automations.
- 7. In **Output preview**, view a preview table of the query output based on the configured fields, filters, sorting, and JavaScript.

#### Data action condition operators and examples

You can use condition operators to compare a configured expression value with an entity column to return a subset of database objects. The operators that you can use depend on on the data type of the column, and the type of database that the entity is connected to, such as Amazon Redshift, Amazon Aurora, or Amazon DynamoDB.

The following condition operators can be used with all database services:

- = and !=: Available for all data types (excluding primary key columns).
- <=, >=, <, and >=: Available only to numerical columns.
- IS NULL and IS NOT NULL: Used to match columns that have null or empty values. Null values are often interpreted differently in each database, however in App Studio, the NULL operator matches and returns records that have null values in the connected database table.

The following condition operators can only be used in entities that are connected to database services that support them:

LIKE and NOT LIKE(Redshift, Aurora): Used for performing pattern-based queries in the connected database. The LIKE operator provides flexibility in search functionality because it finds and returns records that fit the specified patterns. You define the patterns using wildcard characters that match any character or sequence of characters within the pattern. Each database management system has a unique set of wildcard characters, but the two most popular are % to represent any number of characters (including 0), and \_ to represent a single character.

- Contains and Not Contains (DynamoDB): Used for performing a case-sensitive search to determine whether the given text is found within the column values.
- Starts With and Not Starts With (DynamoDB): Used for performing a case-sensitive search to determine whether the given text is found at the beginning of the column values.

#### Condition operator support by database

The following table shows which data action condition operators are supported by each database that can connect to App Studio.

	=, !=, <, >, <=, >=	LIKE, NOT LIKE	Contains, Not Contains	Starts With, Not Starts With	IS NULL, IS NOT NULL
DynamoDB	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Aurora	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Redshift	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

#### Data action condition examples

Consider the following database table, which includes multiple items with name, city, and hireDate fields.

name	city	hireDate
Adam	Seattle	2025-03-01
Adrienne	Boston	2025-03-05
Bob	Albuquerque	2025-03-06
Carlos	Chicago	2025-03-10
Caroline	NULL	2025-03-12
Rita	Miami	2025-03-15

Now, consider creating data actions in App Studio that return the name field for items that match specified conditions. The following list contains condition examples and the values that the table returns for each.

#### 🚺 Note

The examples are formatted as SQL examples– they may not appear as they do in App Studio, but are used to illustrate the behavior of the operators.

- WHERE name LIKE 'Adam': Returns Adam.
- WHERE name LIKE 'A%': Returns Adam and Adrienne.
- WHERE name NOT LIKE 'B\_B': Returns Adam, Adrienne, Carlos, Caroline, and Rita.
- WHERE contains(name, 'ita'): Returns Rita.
- WHERE begins\_with(name, 'Car'): Returns Carlos and Caroline.
- WHERE city IS NULL: Returns Caroline.
- WHERE hireDate < "2025-03-06": Returns Adam and Adrienne.
- WHERE hireDate >= DateTime.now().toISODate(): Note that DateTime.now().toISODate() returns the current date. In a scenario where the current date is 2025-03-10, the expression returns Carlos, Caroline, and Rita.

#### 🚺 Tip

For more information about comparing dates and times in expressions, see Date and time.

#### **Deleting data actions**

Use the following procedure to delete data actions from an App Studio entity.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity for which you want to delete data actions.
- 2. Choose the **Data actions** tab.
- 3. For each data action you want to delete, choose the dropdown menu next to **Edit** and choose **Delete**.
- 4. Choose **Confirm** in the dialog box.

You can add sample data to entities in an App Studio application. Because application's don't communicate with external services until they are published, sample data can be used to test your application and entity in preview environments.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity you want to edit.
- 2. Choose the **Sample data** tab.
- 3. To generate sample data, choose **Generate more sample data**.
- 4. To delete sample data, select the checkboxes of the data you want to delete, and press the Delete or Backspace key. Choose **Save** to save the changes.

## Add or edit connected data source and map fields

#### 🚺 Tip

You can press CTRL+Z to undo the most recent change to your entity.

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the entity you want to edit.
- 2. Choose the **Connection** tab to view or manage the connection between the entity and a data source table where data is stored when your application is published. Once a data source table is connected, you can map the entity fields to the columns of the table.
- 3. In **Connector**, choose the connector that contains a connection to the desired data source table. For more information about connectors, see <u>Connect App Studio to other services with connectors</u>.
- 4. In **Table**, choose the table you want to use as a data source for the entity.
- 5. The table shows the fields of entity, and the data source column they are mapped to. Choose **Auto map** to automatically map your entity fields with your data source columns. You can also map fields manually in the table by choosing the data source column in the dropdown for each entity field.

## **Deleting an entity**

Use the following procedure to delete an entity from an App Studio application.

#### 🚯 Note

Deleting an entity from an App Studio app does not delete the connected data source table, including the corresponding DynamoDB table of managed entities. The data source tables will remain in the associated AWS account and will need to be deleted from the corresponding service if desired.

#### To delete an entity

- 1. If necessary, navigate to your application.
- 2. Choose the **Data** tab.
- 3. In the left-hand **Entities** menu, choose the ellipses menu next to the entity you want to delete and choose **Delete**.
- 4. Review the information in the dialog box, enter **confirm** and choose **Delete** to delete the entity.

# Managed data entities in AWS App Studio

Typically, you configure an entity in App Studio with a connection to an external database table, and you must create and map each entity field with a column in the connected database table. When you make a change to the data model, both the external database table and the entity must be updated, and the changed fields must be remapped. While this method is flexible and enables the use of different types of data sources, it takes more up-front planning and ongoing maintenance.

A *managed entity* is a type of entity for which App Studio manages the entire data storage and configuration process for you. When you create a managed entity, a corresponding DynamoDB table is created in the associated AWS account. This ensures secure and transparent data management within AWS. With a managed entity, you configure the entity's schema in App Studio, and the corresponding DynamoDB table is automatically updated as well.

## Using managed entities in multiple applications

Once you create a managed entity in an App Studio app, that entity can be used in other App Studio apps. This is helpful for configuring data storage for apps with identical data models and schemas by providing a single underlying resource to maintain.

When using a managed entity in multiple applications, all schema updates to the corresponding DynamoDB table must be made using the original application in which the managed entity was created. Any schema changes made to the entity in other applications will not update the corresponding DynamoDB table.

### **Managed entity limitations**

**Primary key update restrictions**: You cannot change the entity's primary key name or type after it is created, as this is a destructive change in DynamoDB, and would result in loss of existing data.

**Renaming columns**: When you rename a column in DynamoDB, you actually create a new column while the original column remains with original data. The original data is not automatically copied to the new column or deleted from the original column. You can rename managed entity fields, known as the *system name*, but you will lose access to the original column and its data. There is no restriction with renaming the display name.

**Changing data type**: Though DynamoDB allows flexibility to modify column data types after table creation, such changes can severely impact existing data as well as query logic and accuracy. Data type changes require transforming all existing data to conform to the new format, which is complex for large, active tables. Additionally, data actions may return unexpected results until data migration is complete. You can switch data types of fields, but the existing data will not be migrated to the new data type.

**Sorting Column**: DynamoDB enables sorted data retrieval through Sort Keys. Sort Keys must be defined as part of composite Primary Keys along with the Partition Key. Limitations include mandatory Sort Key, sorting confined within one partition, and no global sorting across partitions. Careful data modeling of Sort Keys is required to avoid hot partitions. We will not be supporting Sorting for Preview milestone.

Joins: Joins are not supported in DynamoDB. Tables are denormalized by design to avoid expensive join operations. To model one-to-many relationships, the child table contains an attribute referencing the parent table's primary key. Multi-table data queries involve looking up items from the parent table to retrieve details. We will not be supporting native Joins for Managed entities as part of the Preview milestone. As a workaround, we will introduce an automation step that can perform a data merge of 2 entities. This will be very similar to a one level look-up. We will not be supporting Sorting for Preview milestone.

**Env Stage**: We will allow publishing to test but use the same managed store across both environments

# Page and automation parameters

Parameters are a powerful feature in AWS App Studio that are used to pass dynamic values between different components, pages, and automations within your application. Using parameters, you can make flexible and context-aware experiences, making your applications more responsive and personalized. This article covers two types of parameters: page parameters and automation parameters.

#### Topics

- Page parameters
- <u>Automation parameters</u>

## **Page parameters**

Page parameters are a way to send information between pages and are often used when navigating from one page to another within an App Studio app to maintain context or pass data. Page parameters typically consist of a name and a value.

### Page parameter use cases

Page parameters are used for passing data between different pages and components within your App Studio applications. They are particularly helpful for the following use cases:

- Searching and filtering: When users search on your app's homepage, the search terms can be passed as parameters to the results page, allowing it to display only the relevant filtered items. For example, if a user searches for noise-cancelling headphones, the parameter with the value noise-cancelling headphones can be passed to the product listing page.
- 2. **Viewing item details**: If a user clicks on a listing, such as a product, the unique identifier of that item can be passed as a parameter to the details page. This allows the details page to display all the information about the specific item. For example, when a user clicks on a headphone product, the product's unique ID is passed as a parameter to the product details page.
- 3. **Passing user context in page navigation**: As users navigate between pages, parameters can pass along important context, such as the user's location, preferred product categories, shopping cart contents, and other settings. For example, as a user browses through different product categories on your app, their location and preferred categories are retained as parameters, providing a personalized and consistent experience.

- 4. **Deep links**: Use page parameters to share or bookmark a link to a specific page within the app.
- 5. **Data actions**: You can create data actions that accept parameter values to filter and query your data sources based on the passed parameters. For example, on the product listing page, you can create a data action that accepts category parameters to fetch the relevant products.

#### Page parameter security considerations

While page parameters provide a powerful way to pass data between pages, you must use them with caution, as they can potentially expose sensitive information if not used properly. Here is an important security considerations to keep in mind:

#### 1. Avoid exposing sensitive data in URLs

- a. Risk: URLs, including data action parameters, are often visible in server logs, browser history, and other places. As such, it's essential to avoid exposing sensitive data, such as user credentials, personal identifiable information (PII), or any other confidential data, in page parameter values.
- b. **Mitigation**: Consider using identifiers that can be securely mapped to the sensitive data. For example, instead of passing a user's name or email address as a parameter, you could pass a random unique identifier that can be used to fetch the user's name or email.

## **Automation parameters**

Automation parameters are a powerful feature in App Studio that can be used to create flexible and reusable automations by passing dynamic values from various sources, such as the UI, other automations, or data actions. They act as placeholders that are replaced with actual values when the automation is run, allowing you to use the same automation with different inputs each time.

Within an automation, parameters have unique names, and you can reference a parameter's value using the params variable followed by the parameter's name, for example, {{params.customerId}}.

This article provides an in-depth understanding of automation parameters, including their fundamental concepts, usage, and best practices.

### Automation parameter benefits

Automation parameters provide several benefits, including the following list:

- 1. **Reusability**: By using parameters, you can create reusable automations that can be customized with different input values, allowing you to reuse the same automation logic with different inputs.
- 2. **Flexibility**: Instead of hard-coding values into an automation, you can define parameters and provide different values when needed, making your automations more dynamic and adaptable.
- 3. **Separation of concerns**: Parameters help separate the automation logic from the specific values used, promoting code organization and maintainability.
- 4. **Validation**: Each parameter has a data type, such as string, number, or boolean, which is validated at runtime. This ensures that requests with incorrect data types are rejected without the need for custom validation code.
- 5. **Optional and required parameters**: You can designate automation parameters as optional or required. Required parameters must be provided when running the automation, while optional parameters can have default values or be omitted. This flexibility allows you to create more versatile automations that can handle different scenarios based on the provided parameters.

## Scenarios and use cases

#### Scenario: Retrieving product details

Imagine you have an automation that retrieves product details from a database based on a product ID. This automation could have a parameter called productId.

The productId parameter acts as a placeholder that you can fill in with the actual product ID value when running the automation. Instead of hard-coding a specific product ID into the automation, you can define the productId parameter and pass in different product ID values each time you run the automation.

You could call this automation from a component's data source, passing the selected product's ID as the productId parameter using the double curly bracket syntax: {{ui.productsTable.selectedRow.id}}. This way, when a user selects a product from a table (ui.productsTable), the automation will retrieve the details for the selected product by passing the id of the selected row as the productId parameter.

Alternatively, you could invoke this automation from another automation that loops over a list of products and retrieves the details for each product by passing the product's id as the productId parameter. In this scenario, the productId parameter value would be dynamically provided from the {{product.id}} expression in each iteration of the loop.

By using the productId parameter and the double curly bracket syntax, you can make this automation more flexible and reusable. Instead of creating separate automations for each product, you can have a single automation that can retrieve details for any product by simply providing the appropriate product ID as the parameter value from different sources, such as UI components or other automations.

#### Scenario: Handling optional parameters with fallback values

Let's consider a scenario where you have a "Task" entity with a required "Owner" column, but you want this field to be optional in the automation and provide a fallback value if the owner is not selected.

- 1. Create an automation with a parameter named Owner that maps to the Owner field of the Task entity.
- 2. Since the Owner field is required in the entity, the Owner parameter will synchronize with the required setting.
- 3. To make the Owner parameter optional in the automation, toggle the required setting off for this parameter.
- 4. In your automation logic, you can use an expression like {{params.Owner || currentUser.userId}}. This expression checks if the Owner parameter is provided. If it's not provided, it will fallback to the current user's ID as the owner.
- 5. This way, if the user doesn't select an owner in a form or component, the automation will automatically assign the current user as the owner for the task.

By toggling the required setting for the Owner parameter and using a fallback expression, you can decouple it from the entity field requirement, make it optional in the automation, and provide a default value when the parameter is not provided.

## Defining automation parameter types

By using parameter types to specify data types and set requirements, you can control the inputs for your automations. This helps ensure your automations run reliably with the expected inputs.

#### Synchronizing types from an entity

Dynamically synchronizing parameter types and requirements from entity field definitions streamlines building automations that interact with entity data, ensuring that the parameter always reflects the latest entity field type and requirements.

The following procedure details general steps for synchronizing parameter types from an entity:

- 1. Create an entity with typed fields (e.g. Boolean, Number, etc.) and mark fields as needed.
- 2. Create a new automation.
- 3. Add parameters to the automation, and when choosing the **Type**, choose the entity field you want to sync with. The data type and required setting will automatically synchronize from the mapped entity field
- If needed, you can override the "required" setting by toggling it on/off for each parameter. This means the required status will not be kept in sync with the entity field, but otherwise, it will remain synchronized.

#### Manually defining types

You can also define parameter types manually without synchronizing from an entity

By defining custom parameter types, you can create automations that accept specific input types and handle optional or required parameters as needed, without relying on entity field mappings.

- 1. Create an entity with typed fields (e.g. Boolean, Number, etc.) and mark fields as needed.
- 2. Create a new automation.
- 3. Add parameters to the automation, and when choosing the **Type**, choose desired type.

### Configuring dynamic values to be passed to automation parameters

Once you've defined parameters for an automation, you can pass values to them when invoking the automation. You can pass parameter values in two ways:

- Component triggers: If you're invoking the automation from a component trigger, such as a button click, you can use JavaScript expressions to pass values from the component context. For example, if you have a text input field named emailInput, you can pass its value to the email parameter with the following expression: ui.emailInput.value.
- 2. **Other automations**: If you're invoking the automation from another automation, you can use JavaScript expressions to pass values from the automation context. For example, you can pass the value of another parameter or the result of a previous action step.

## Type safety

By defining parameters with specific data types, such as String, Number, or Boolean, you can ensure that the values passed into your automation are of the expected type.

#### 🚺 Note

In App Studio, date(s) are ISO string dates, and those will be validated too.

This type safety helps prevent type mismatches, which can lead to errors or unexpected behavior in your automation logic. For example, if you define a parameter as a Number, you can be confident that any value passed to that parameter will be a number, and you won't have to perform additional type checks or conversions within your automation.

### Validation

You can add validation rules to your parameters, ensuring that the values passed into your automation meet certain criteria.

While App Studio does not provide built-in validation settings for parameters, you can implement custom validations by adding a JavaScript action to your automation that throws an error if specific constraints are violated.

For entity fields, a subset of validation rules, such as minimum/maximum values, are supported. However, those are not validated at the automation level, only at the data layer, when running Create/Update/Delete Record actions.

### Best practices for automation parameters

To ensure that your automation parameters are well-designed, maintainable, and easy to use, follow these best practices:

- 1. **Use descriptive parameter names**: Choose parameter names that clearly describe the purpose or context of the parameter.
- 2. **Provide parameter descriptions**: Take advantage of the **Description** field when defining parameters to explain their purpose, constraints, and expectations. These descriptions will be surfaced in the JSDoc comments when referencing the parameter, as well as in any user interfaces where users need to provide values for the parameters when invoking the automation.

- 3. **Use appropriate data types**: Carefully consider the data type of each parameter based on the expected input values, for example: String, Number, Boolean, Object.
- 4. **Validate parameter values**: Implement appropriate validation checks within your automation to ensure that parameter values meet specific requirements before proceeding with further actions.
- 5. Use fallback or default values: While App Studio does not currently support setting default values for parameters, you can implement fallback or default values when consuming the parameters in your automation logic. For example, you can use an expression like {{ params.param1 || "default value" }} to provide a default value if the param1 parameter is not provided or has a false value.
- 6. **Maintain parameter consistency**: If you have multiple automations that require similar parameters, try to maintain consistency in parameter names and data types across those automations.
- 7. **Document parameter usage**: Maintain clear documentation for your automations, including descriptions of each parameter, its purpose, expected values, and any relevant examples or edge cases.
- 8. **Review and refactor frequently**: Periodically review your automations and their parameters, refactoring or consolidating parameters as needed to improve clarity, maintainability, and reusability.
- 9. Limit the number of parameters: While parameters provide flexibility, too many parameters can make an automation complex and difficult to use. Aim to strike a balance between flexibility and simplicity by limiting the number of parameters to only what is necessary.
- 10**Consider parameter grouping**: If you find yourself defining multiple related parameters, consider grouping them into a single *Object* parameter.
- 11**Separate concerns**: Avoid using a single parameter for multiple purposes or combining unrelated values into a single parameter. Each parameter should represent a distinct concern or piece of data.
- 12**Use parameter aliases**: If you have parameters with long or complex names, consider using aliases or shorthand versions within the automation logic for better readability and maintainability.

By following these best practices, you can ensure that your automation parameters are welldesigned, maintainable, and easy to use, ultimately improving the overall quality and efficiency of your automations.

# Using JavaScript to write expressions in App Studio

In AWS App Studio, you can use JavaScript expressions to dynamically control the behavior and appearance of your applications. Single-line JavaScript expressions are written within double curly braces, {{ }}, and can be used in various contexts such as automations, UI components, and data queries. These expressions are evaluated at runtime and can be used to perform calculations, manipulate data, and control application logic.

App Studio provides native support for three JavaScript open source libraries: Luxon, UUID, Lodash as well as SDK integrations to detect JavaScript syntax and type-checking errors within your app's configurations.

#### 🔥 Important

App Studio does not support using third-party or custom JavaScript libraries.

## **Basic syntax**

JavaScript expressions can include variables, literals, operators, and function calls. Expressions are commonly used to perform calculations or evaluate conditions.

See the following examples:

- {{ 2 + 3 }} will evaluate to 5.
- {{ "Hello, " + "World!" }} will evaluate to "Hello, World!".
- {{ Math.max(5, 10) }} will evaluate to 10.
- {{ Math.random() \* 10 }} returns a random number (with decimals) between [0-10).

## Interpolation

You can also use JavaScript to interpolate dynamic values within static text. This is achieved by enclosing the JavaScript expression within double curly braces, like the following example:

```
Hello {{ currentUser.firstName }}, welcome to App Studio!
```

In this example, currentUser.firstName is a JavaScript expression that retrieves the first name of the current user, which is then dynamically inserted into the greeting message.

## Concatenation

You can concatenate strings and variables using the + operator in JavaScript, as in the following example.

```
{{ currentRow.FirstName + " " + currentRow.LastName }}
```

This expression combines the values of currentRow.FirstName and currentRow.LastName with a space in between, resulting in the full name of the current row. For example, if currentRow.FirstName is John, and currentRow.LastName is Doe, then the expression would resolve to John Doe.

## Date and time

JavaScript provides various functions and objects for working with dates and times. For example:

- {{ new Date().toLocaleDateString() }}: Returns the current date in a localized format.
- {{ DateTime.now().toISODate() }}: Returns the current date in YYYY-MM-DD format, for use in the Date component.

## Date and time comparison

Use operators such as =, >, <, >=, or <= to compare date or time values. For example:

- {{ui.timeInput.value > "10:00 AM"}}: Checks if the time is after 10:00 AM.
- {{ui.timeInput.value <= "5:00 PM"}}: Checks if the time is at or before 5:00 PM.
- {{ui.timeInput.value > DateTime.now().toISOTime()}}: Checks if the time is after the current time.
- {{ui.dateInput.value > DateTime.now().toISODate()}}: Checks if the date is before the current date.
- {{ DateTime.fromISO(ui.dateInput.value).diff(DateTime.now(), "days").days
  >= 5 }}: Checks if the date is at least 5 days from the current date.

# Code blocks

In addition to expressions, you can also write multi-line JavaScript code blocks. Unlike expressions, code blocks do not require curly braces. Instead, you can write your JavaScript code directly within the code block editor.

#### 🚯 Note

While expressions are evaluated and their values are displayed, code blocks are run, and their output (if any) is displayed.

## **Global variables and functions**

App Studio provides access to certain global variables and functions that can be used within your JavaScript expressions and code blocks. For example, currentUser is a global variable that represents the currently logged-in user, and you can access properties like currentUser.role to retrieve the user's role.

## **Referencing or updating UI component values**

You can use expressions in components and automation actions to both reference and update UI component values. By programmatically referencing and updating component values, you can create dynamic and interactive user interfaces that respond to user input and data changes.

## **Referencing UI component values**

You can create interactive and data-driven applications by implementing dynamic behavior by accessing values from UI components.

You can access values and properties of UI components on the same page by using the uinamespace in expressions. By referencing a component's name, you can retrieve its value or perform operations based on its state.

#### 🚯 Note

The ui namespace will only show components on the current page, as components are scoped to their respective pages.

The basic syntax for referring to components in an App Studio app is: {{ui.componentName}}.

The following list contains examples for using the ui namespace to access UI component values:

- {{ui.textInputName.value}}: Represents the value of a text input component named textInputName.
- {{ui.*formName*.isValid}}: Check if all fields in the form named *formName* are valid based on your provided validation criteria.
- {{ui.tableName.currentRow.columnName}}: Represents the value of a specific column in the current row of a table component named tableName.
- {{ui.tableName.selectedRowData.fieldName}}: Represents the value of the specified field from the selected row in a table component named tableName. You can then append a field name such as ID ({{ui.tableName.selectedRowData.ID}}) to reference the value of that field from the selected row.

The following list contains more specific examples of referencing component values:

- {{ui.inputText1.value.trim().length > 0}}: Check if the value of the inputText1 component, after trimming any leading or trailing whitespace, has a non-empty string. This can be useful for validating user input or enabling/disabling other components based on the input text field's value.
- {{ui.multiSelect1.value.join(", ")}}: For a multi-select component named multiSelect1, this expression converts the array of selected option values into a commaseparated string. This can be helpful for displaying the selected options in a user-friendly format or passing the selections to another component or automation.
- {{ui.multiSelect1.value.includes("option1")}}: This expression checks if the value option1 is included in the array of selected options for the multiSelect1 component. It returns true if option1 is selected, and false otherwise. This can be useful for conditionally rendering components or taking actions based on specific option selections.
- {{ui.s3Upload1.files.length > 0}}: For an Amazon S3 file upload component named s3Upload1, this expression checks if any files have been uploaded by checking the length of the files array. It can be useful for enabling/disabling other components or actions based on whether files have been uploaded.
- {{ui.s3Upload1.files.filter(file => file.type === "image/png").length}}:
   This expression filters the list of uploaded files in the s3Upload1 component to only include

PNG image files, and returns the count of those files. This can be helpful for validating or displaying information about the types of files uploaded.

#### **Updating UI component values**

To update or manipulate the value of a component, use the RunComponentAction within an automation. Here's an example of the syntax you can use to update the value of a text input component named *myInput* using the RunComponentAction action:

```
RunComponentAction(ui.myInput, "setValue", "New Value")
```

In this example, the RunComponentAction step calls the setValue action on the *myInput* component, passing in the new value, *New Value*.

## Working with table data

You can access table data and values to perform operations. You can use the following expressions to access table data:

- currentRow: Used to access table data from the current row within the table. For example, setting a table action's name, sending a value from the row to an automation that is started from an action, or using values from existing columns in a table to create a new column.
- ui.tableName.selectedRow and ui.tableName.selectedRowData are both used to access table data from other components on the page. For example, setting a button's name outside of the table based on the selected row. The values returned are the same, but the differences between selectedRow and selectedRowData are as follows:
  - selectedRow: This namespace includes the name shown in the column header for each field. You should use selectedRow when referencing a value from a visible column in the table. For example, if you have a custom or computed column in your table that doesn't exist as a field in the entity.
  - selectedRowData: This namespace includes the fields in the entity used as a source for the table. You should use selectedRowData to reference a value from the entity that isn't visible in the table, but is useful for other components or automations in your app.

The following list contains examples of accessing table data in expressions:

- {{ui.tableName.selectedRow.columnNameWithNoSpace}}: Returns the value of the columnNameWithNoSpace column from the selected row in the table.
- {{ui.tableName.selectedRow.['Column Name With Space']}}: Returns the value of the Column Name With Space column from the selected row in the table.
- {{ui.tableName.selectedRowData.fieldName}}: Returns the value of the fieldName entity field from the selected row in the table.
- {{ui.*tableName*.selectedRows[0].*columnMappingName*}}: Reference the selected row's column name from other components or expressions on the same page.
- {{currentRow.firstName + ' ' + currentRow.lastNamecolumnMapping}}:
   Concatenate values from multiple columns to create a new column in a table.
- {{ "Blocked": "#", "Delayed": "#", "On track": "#" } [currentRow.statuscolumnMapping] + " " + currentRow.statuscolumnMapping}}: Customize the display value of a field within a table based on the stored status value.
- {{currentRow.colName}}, {{currentRow["First Name"]}}, {{currentRow}}, or {{ui.tableName.selectedRows[0]}}: Pass the referenced row's context within a row action.

## Accessing automations

You can use automations to run server-side logic and operations in App Studio. Within automation actions, you can use expressions to process data, generate dynamic values, and incorporate results from previous actions.

## Accessing automation parameters

You can pass dynamic values from UI components and other automations into automations, making them reusable and flexible. This is done using automation parameters with the params namespace as follows:

{{params.parameterName}}: Reference a value passed into the automation from a UI component or other source. For example, {{params.ID}} would reference a parameter named ID.

#### Manipulating automation parameters

You can use JavaScript to manipulate automation parameters. See the following examples:

- {{params.firstName}} {{params.lastName}}: Concatenate values passed as parameters.
- {{params.numberParam1 + params.numberParam2}}: Add two number parameters.
- {{params.valueProvided?.length > 0 ? params.valueProvided : 'Default'}}:
   Check if a parameter is not null or undefined, and has a non-zero length. If true, use the provided value; otherwise, set a default value.
- {{params.rootCause || "No root cause provided"}}: If the params.rootCause parameter is false (null, undefined, or an empty string), use the provided default value.
- {{Math.min(params.numberOfProducts, 100)}}: Restrict the value of a parameter to a maximum value (in this case, 100).
- {{ DateTime.fromISO(params.startDate).plus({ days: 7 }).toISO() }}: If the params.*startDate* parameter is "2023-06-15T10:30:00.000Z", this expression will evaluate to "2023-06-22T10:30:00.000Z", which is the date one week after the start date.

#### Accessing automation results from a previous action

Automations allow application to run server-side logic and operations, such as querying databases, interacting with APIs, or performing data transformations. The results namespace provides access to the outputs and data returned by previous actions within the same automation. Note the following points about accessing automation results:

- 1. You can only access results of previous automation steps within the same automation.
- 2. If you have actions named *action1* and *action2* in that order, *action1* cannot reference any results, and *action2* can only access results.action1.
- 3. This also works in client-side actions. For example, if you have a button that triggers an automation using the InvokeAutomation action. You can then have a navigation step with a Run If condition like results.myInvokeAutomation1.fileType === "pdf" to navigate to a page with a PDF viewer if the automation indicates the file is a PDF.

The following list contains the syntax for accessing automation results from a previous action using the results namespace.

- {{results.stepName.data}}: Retrieve the data array from an automation step named stepName.
- {{results.stepName.output}}: Retrieve the output of an automation step named stepName.

The way you access the results of an automation step depends on the type of action and the data it returns. Different actions may return different properties or data structures. Here are some common examples:

- For a data action, you can access the returned data array using results. *stepName*.data.
- For an API call action, you may access the response body using results.*stepName*.body.
- For an Amazon S3 action, you may access the file content using results.stepName.Body.transformToWebStream().

See the documentation for the specific action types you're using to understand the shape of the data they return and how to access it within the results namespace. The following list contains some examples

- {{results.getDataStep.data.filter(row => row.status ===
   "pending").length}}: Assuming the getDataStep is an Invoke Data Action automation
   action that returns an array of data rows, this expression filters the data array to include only
   rows where the status field is equal to pending, and returns the length (count) of the filtered
   array. This can be useful for querying or processing data based on specific conditions.
- {{params.email.split("@")[0]}}: If the params.email parameter contains an email address, this expression splits the string at the @ symbol and returns the part before the @ symbol, effectively extracting the username portion of the email address.
- {{new Date(params.timestamp \* 1000)}}: This expression takes a Unix timestamp parameter (params.timestamp) and converts it to a JavaScript Date object. It assumes that the timestamp is in seconds, so it multiplies it by 1000 to convert it to milliseconds, which is the format expected by the Date constructor. This can be useful for working with date and time values in automations.
- {{results.stepName.Body}}: For an Amazon S3 GetObject automation action named stepName, this expression retrieves the file content, which can be consumed by UI components like Image or PDF Viewer for displaying the retrieved file. Note that this expression would need to be configured in the Automation output of the automation to use in components.

# Data dependencies and timing considerations

When building complex applications in App Studio, it's crucial to understand and manage data dependencies between different data components, such as forms, detail views, and automation-

powered components. Data components and automations may not complete their data retrieval or execution at the same time, which can lead to timing issues, errors, and unexpected behavior. By being aware of potential timing issues and following best practices, you can create more reliable and consistent user experiences in your App Studio applications.

Some potential issues are as follows:

- 1. **Render timing conflicts:** Data components may render in an order that doesn't align with their data dependencies, potentially causing visual inconsistencies or errors.
- 2. **Automation run timing:** Automation tasks may complete before components have fully loaded, leading to runtime execution errors.
- 3. **Component crashes:** Components powered by automations may crash on invalid responses or when the automation hasn't finished running.

## **Example: Order details and customer information**

This example demonstrates how dependencies between data components can lead to timing issues and potential errors in data display.

Consider an application with the following two data components on the same page:

- A Detail component (orderDetails) that fetches order data.
- A Detail component (customerDetails) that displays customer details related to the order.

In this application, there are two fields in the orderDetails detail component, configured with the following values:

```
// 2 text fields within the orderDetails detail component
// Info from orderDetails Component
{{ui.orderDetails.data[0].name}}
// Info from customerDetails component
{{ui.customerDetails.data[0].name}} // Problematic reference
```

In this example, the orderDetails component is attempting to display the customer name by referencing data from the customerDetails component. This is problematic, because the

Example: Order details and customer information
orderDetails component may render before the customerDetails component has fetched its data. If the customerDetails component data fetch is delayed or fails, the orderDetails component will display incomplete or incorrect information.

## Data dependency and timing best practices

Use the following best practices to mitigate data dependency and timing issues in your App Studio app:

1. **Use conditional rendering:** Only render components or display data when you've confirmed it's available. Use conditional statements to check for data presence before displaying it. The following snippet shows an example conditional statement:

```
{{ui.someComponent.data ? ui.someComponent.data.fieldName : "Loading..."}}
```

 Manage child component visibility: For components like Stepflow, Form, or Detail that render children before their data is loaded, manually set the visibility of child components. The following snippet shows an example of setting visibility based on parent component data availability:

```
{{ui.parentComponent.data ? true : false}}
```

- 3. **Use join queries:** When possible, use join queries to fetch related data in a single query. This reduces the number of separate data fetches and minimizes timing issues between data components.
- 4. **Implement error handing in automations:** Implement robust error handling in your automations to gracefully manage scenarios where expected data is not available or invalid responses are received.
- 5. **Use optional chaining:** When accessing nested properties, use optional chaining to prevent errors if a parent property is undefined. The following snippet shows an example of optional chaining:

{{ui.component.data?.[0]?.fieldSystemName}}

# Building an app with multiple users

Multiple users can work on a single App Studio app, however only one user can edit an app at one time. See the following sections to information about inviting other users to edit an app, and the behavior when multiple users try to edit an app at the same time.

## Invite builders to edit an app

Use the following instructions to invite other builders to edit an App Studio app.

#### To invite other builders to edit an app

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application.
- 2. Choose Share.
- 3. In the **Development** tab, use the text box to search for and select groups or individual users that you want to invite to edit the app.
- 4. For each user or group, choose the dropdown and select the permissions to give to that user or group.
  - **Co-owner**: Co-owners have the same permissions as app owners.
  - Edit only: Users with the Edit only role have the same permissions as owners and co-owners, except for the following:
    - They cannot invite other users to edit the app.
    - They cannot publish the app to the Testing or Production environments.
    - They cannot add data sources to the app.
    - They cannot delete or duplicate the app.

## Attempting to edit an app that is being edited by another user

A single App Studio app can only be edited by one user at a time. See the following example to understand what happens when multiple users try to edit an app at the same time.

In this example, User A is currently editing an app, and has shared it with User B. User B then attempts to edit the app that is being edited by User A.

When User B tries to edit the app, a dialog box will appear informing them that User A is currently editing the app, and that continuing will kick User A out of the application studio, and

all changes will be saved. User B can choose to cancel and let User A continue, or continue and enter the application studio to edit the app. In this example, they choose to edit the app.

When User B chooses to edit the app, User A receives a notification that User B has started editing the app, and their session has ended. Note that if User A had the app open in an inactive browser tab, they may not receive the notification. In this case, if they try to come back to the app and try to make an edit, they will receive an error message and be guided to refresh the page, which will return them to the list of applications.

# Viewing or updating your app's content security settings

Every application in App Studio has content security settings that can be used to restrict external media or resources such as images, iFrames, and PDFs from being loaded, or only permitted from specified domains or URLs (including Amazon S3 buckets). You can also specify the domains that your app can upload objects to Amazon S3 to.

The default content security settings for all apps is to block loading all media from external sources, including Amazon S3 buckets, and block uploading objects to Amazon S3. Therefore, in order to load images, iFrames, PDFs, or similar media, you must edit the settings to allow the sources of the media. Also, to allow uploading objects to Amazon S3, you must edit the settings to allow the domains that can be uploaded to.

#### 1 Note

The content security settings are used to configure Content Security Policy (CSP) headers in your application. CSP is a security standard that helps to secure your app from cross-site scripting (XSS), clickjacking, and other code injection attacks. For more information about CSP, see <u>Content Security Policy (CSP)</u> in the MDN Web Docs.

#### To update your app's content security settings

- 1. If necessary, navigate to the application studio of your application by choosing to edit it from the application list.
- 2. Choose App settings.
- 3. Choose the **Content Security Settings** tab to view the following settings:

- Frame source: Used to manage the domains that your app can load frames and iframes (such as interactive content or PDFs) from. This setting affects the following components or app resources:
  - iFrame embed component
  - PDF viewer component
- **Image source**: Used to manage the domains that your app can load images from. This setting affects the following components or app resources:
  - App logo and banner
  - Image viewer component
- **Connect source**: Used to manage the domains that your app can upload Amazon S3 objects to.
- 4. For each setting, choose the desired setting from the dropdown:
  - Block all frames/images/connections: Do not allow any media (images, frames, PDFs) to load, or any objects to be uploaded to Amazon S3.
  - Allow all frames/images/connections: Allow all media (images, frames, PDFs) from all domains to load, or allow uploading of objects to Amazon S3 for all domains.
  - Allow specific domains: Allow loading media from or uploading media to specified domains. Domains or URLs are specified as a space-separated list of expressions, where wildcards (\*) can be used for subdomains, host address, or port number to indicate that all legal values of each are valid. Specifying http also matches https. The following list contains examples of valid entries:
    - blob:: Matches all blobs, which includes file data returned by automation actions, such as GetObject returning items from Amazon S3 buckets, or images generated by Amazon Bedrock.

#### <u> Important</u>

You must include blob: to your provided expression to allow file data returned by actions, even if your expression is \*, you should update it to \* blob:

 http://\*.example.com: Matches all attempts to load from any subdomain of example.com. Also matches https resources.

- https://source1.example.com https//source2.example.com: Matches all attempts to load from both https://source1.example.com and https:// source2.example.com
- https://example.com/subdirectory/: Matches all attempts to load files under subdirectory directory. For example, https://example.com/subdirectory/path/ to/file.jpeg. It does not match https://example.com/path/to/file.jpeg.
- 5. Choose **Save** to save your changes.

# Troubleshooting and debugging App Studio

#### Topics

- Troubleshooting App Studio setup, permissions, and onboarding
- Troubleshooting and debugging apps
- Troubleshooting publishing and sharing applications

# Troubleshooting App Studio setup, permissions, and onboarding

This topic includes information about troubleshooting common issues when setting up or onboarding to App Studio, and managing permissions.

# App Studio setup failed when choosing the Create an account instance for me option

**Problem:** Setting up App Studio with the **Create an account instance for me** will fail if you have an account-level IAM Identity Center instance in any AWS Region, as IAM Identity Center only supports one instance.

**Solution:** Navigate to the IAM Identity Center console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/</a> to check if you have an IAM Identity Center instance. Check every supported AWS Region until you locate the instance. You can either use that instance when setting up App Studio, or delete the IAM Identity Center instance and try again with the **Create an account instance for me** option.

## 🔥 Warning

Deleting the IAM Identity Center instance will affect any existing use cases. Ensure the instance isn't being used before deleting, or use the instance to set up App Studio.

# Unable to access App Studio after setting up

**Problem:** When setting up App Studio, you may have provided IAM Identity Center groups that you are not a member of. You must be a member of at least one group to access App Studio.

**Solution:** Navigate to the IAM Identity Center console at <a href="https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/">https://console.aws.amazon.com/singlesignon/</a> to add yourself to a group that was added to App Studio when setting up.

# Not sure what username or password to use when logging into App Studio

**Problem:** You may not be sure how to log into App Studio, either because you haven't set up your IAM Identity Center credentials, or you have forgotten your IAM Identity Center username or password.

**Solution:** When setting up App Studio without an IAM Identity Center instance, an email and username was provided for each user that would be used to create IAM Identity Center users. Each of the email addresses provided were sent an email with an invitation to join IAM Identity Center. Each user must accept the invitation and create a password for their IAM Identity Center user credentials. Each user can then use the IAM Identity Center username and password to log into App Studio.

If you have already set up credentials and have forgotten your username or password, you must ask your administrator to use the IAM Identity Center console to view and provide your username, or reset your password.

# I am getting a System error when setting up App Studio

**Problem:** You are getting the following error when setting up App Studio:

System error. We encountered a problem. Report the issue and the App Studio service team will get back to you.

This error occurs when the service has encountered an unknown error.

**Solution:** Contact the support team by joining the community Slack by choosing **Join us on Slack** in the **Learn** section of the left-hand navigation, or in the top banner while editing an app.

## I can't locate my App Studio instance URL

If you can't find the URL to access your App Studio instance, reach out to the administrator that set up App Studio. The administrator can view the URL in App Studio console in the the AWS Management Console.

# I can't modify groups or roles in App Studio

**Problem:** You cannot see the **Roles** link in the left-hand navigation. This is because only users with the Admin role can modify groups and roles in App Studio.

**Solution:** Reach out to a user with the Admin role to change groups or roles, or reach out to your administrator to be added to an Admin group.

# How do I offboard from App Studio

You cannot offboard from App Studio at this moment. It is recommended to remove all resources such as apps and connectors, and change the role of groups to App User to prevent access or use. You should also delete third-party resources that are used exclusively for App Studio, such as IAM roles or database tables.

# Troubleshooting and debugging apps

The following topics include information for troubleshooting and debugging App Studio apps.

#### Topics

- Troubleshooting AI builder assistant and chat
- Troubleshooting in the application studio
- <u>Troubleshooting previewing apps</u>
- Troubleshooting in the Testing environment
- Debugging with logs from published apps in Amazon CloudWatch Logs
- <u>Troubleshooting connectors</u>

## Troubleshooting AI builder assistant and chat

This topic contains troubleshooting guidance for common issues when using the AI builder assistant.

## Error when creating an app with AI

When using the AI prompt to create an app, the following error may occur:

We apologize, but we cannot proceed with your request. The request may contain content that violates our policies and guidelines. Please revise your prompt before trying again.

**Problem:** The request is blocked due to potentially harmful content.

Solution: Rephrase the prompt and try again.

## App generated using AI is empty app or missing components.

Problem: This can be caused by an unexpected service error.

**Solution:** Retry creating the app using AI, or create the components manually in the generated app.

## Troubleshooting in the application studio

This topic contains troubleshooting and debugging guidance for issues when building applications.

## Using the debug panel

To assist with live debugging while you're building your apps, App Studio provides a collapsible builder debug panel that spans the pages, automations, and data tabs of the application studio. This panel shows both errors and warnings. While warnings serve as actionable suggestions, such as resources that haven't been configured, errors must be resolved to succesfully preview or publish your app. Each error or warning includes a **View** link which can be used to navigate to the location of the issue.

The debug panel automatically updates with new errors or warnings as they occur, and the errors or warnings automatically disappear once resolved. The state of these warning and error messages is persisted when you leave the builder.

## JavaScript expression syntax and data type handling

App Studio features JavaScript error detection, highlighting errors by underlining your code with red lines. These compile errors, which will prevent the app from building successfully, indicate issues such as typos, invalid references, invalid operations, and incorrect outputs for required data types. See the following list for common issues:

- Errors caused by renaming resources: When JavaScript expressions reference resource names in App Studio, changing those names will cause the expressions to be incorrect and produce errors. You can view these errors in the debug panel.
- 2. **Data type issues:** Data type mismatches will produce errors in your app. For example, if an automation is configured to accept a parameter of type String, but a component is configured to send a value of type Integer, an error will be occur. Check that data types match between appropriate resources, including components, automations, and data entities and actions. You may need to change the type of the value in a JavaScript expression.

# Troubleshooting previewing apps

This topic contains information about troubleshooting issues when trying to preview apps.

# The preview fails to load with the following error: Your app failed to build and cannot be previewed

**Problem:** Your app must build successfully to be previewed. This error occurs when there is a compilation error that prevents your app from building successfully.

**Solution:** Review and solve the errors by using the debug panel in the application studio.

## The preview is taking a long time to load

Problem: Certain types of app updates require a long time to compile and build.

**Solution:** Leave the tab open, and wait for the updates to be built. You should see **Saved** in the top-right corner of the application studio of the app, and the preview will reload.

## The preview doesn't reflect the latest changes

**Problem:** This can happen when your app editing session was taken over by another user, but you weren't notified. This can cause the app being edited to not match the preview environment.

Solution: Refresh the application studio browser tab and take over the editing session if needed.

## **Troubleshooting in the Testing environment**

This topic contains information about troubleshooting apps published to the Testing environment.

#### 🚯 Note

An HTTP 500 response from an automation or data action may be caused by a runtime crash in your expressions, a connector failure, or throttling from a data source that is connected to your application. Use the instructions in <u>Using your browser console to debug</u> to view the debug logs that will show the underlying error details.

## Using the debug panel

Similar to the building debug panel used when building your apps, App Studio provides a collapsible debug panel in the Testing environment. This panel shows informational messages such as page load time, user navigation, and app events. It also contains errors and warnings. The debug panel automatically updates with new messages as events occur.

## Using your browser console to debug

Since actions are not invoked while previewing your app, your app will need to be published to the Testing environment to test its call and response handling. If an error occurs during the execution of your automation or if you want to understand why the application behaves in certain way, you can use your browser's console for real time debugging.

#### To use your browser console to debug apps in the Testing environment

- 1. Append ?debug=true to the end of the URL and press enter. Note that if the URL already has a query string (it contains ?), instead append &debug=true to the end of the URL.
- 2. Open your browser console to start debugging by exploring your action or API inputs and outputs.
  - In Chrome: Right click in your browser and choose **Inspect**. For more information about debugging with Chrome DevTools, see the <u>Chrome DevTools documentation</u>.
  - In Firefox: Press and hold or right-click on a webpage element, then choose Inspect Element. For more information about debugging with Firefox DevTools, see the <u>Firefox</u> <u>DevTools User Docs</u>.

The following list contains some common issues that produce errors:

• Runtime errors

- **Problem:** If an automation or expression is configured incorrectly, it can cause an error when the automation is run. Common errors are renaming assets, resulting in incorrect expressions, other JavaScript compilation errors, or attemps to use data or assets that are undefined.
- **Solution:** Check each usage of custom code input (expressions, JavaScript, and JSON) and make sure there are no compilation errors in the code editor or debug panel.
- Connector issues
  - **Problem:** Because App Studio apps do not communicate with external services with connectors until they are published, errors can occur in the Testing environment that did not occur during preview. If an action in an automation that uses a connector fails, it could be from a misconfiguration in the action that sends the request to the connector, or with the connector configuration itself.
  - Solution: You should use Mocked output to test automations early in the preview environment to prevent these errors. Ensure your connector is configured correctly, for more information, see <u>Troubleshooting connectors</u>. Lastly, you can use CloudWatch to review the logs. For more information, see <u>Debugging with logs from published apps in Amazon</u> <u>CloudWatch Logs</u>. In the ConnectorService namespace logs, there should be error message or metadata that originated from the connector.

# Debugging with logs from published apps in Amazon CloudWatch Logs

Amazon CloudWatch Logs monitors your AWS resources and the applications you run on AWS in real time. You can use CloudWatch Logs to collect and track metrics, which are variables you can measure for your resources and applications.

For debugging App Studio apps, CloudWatch Logs is useful for tracking errors that occur during an app's execution, auditing information, and providing context on user actions and proprietary interactions. The logs offer historical data, which you can use to audit application usage and access patterns, as well as review errors encountered by users.

#### 🚯 Note

CloudWatch Logs does not provide real-time traces of parameter values passed from the UI of an application.

Use the following procedure to access logs from your App Studio apps in CloudWatch Logs.

- In the App Studio application studio for your app, locate and note your app ID by looking at in the URL. The app ID may look something like this: 802a3bd6ed4d-424c-9f6b-405aa42a62c5.
- 2. Open the CloudWatch console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/.
- 3. In the navigation pane, choose **Log groups**.
- 4. Here you will find five **log groups** per application. Depending on the type of information you are interested in, select a group and write a query for the data you want to discover.

The following list contains the log groups and information about when to use each:

- /aws/appstudio/teamId/appId/TEST/app: Use to debug automation responses, component errors, or JavaScript code related to the version of your app currently published to the Testing environment.
- 2. /aws/appstudio/*teamId/appId*/TEST/audit: Use to debug JavaScript code errors, such as conditional visibility or transformation, query failures, and login or permissions user errors related to the version of your app currently published to the Testing environment.
- 3. /aws/appstudio/teamId/setup: Use to monitor builder or admin actions.
- 4. /aws/appstudio/teamId/appId/PRODUCTION/app: Use to debug automation responses, query failures, component errors, or JavaScript code related to the version of your app currently published to the Production environment.
- 5. /aws/appstudio/*teamId/appId*/PRODUCTION/audit: Use to debug JavaScript code errors, such as conditional visibility or transformation, as well as login or permissions user errors related to the version of your app currently published to the Production environment.

#### 1 Note

Most of the logs to be used for debugging are categorized under the DebugLogClient namespace.

5. Once you are in a log group, you can either pick the most recent log streams, or one with a last event time closest to the time of interest, or you can choose to search all log streams to search across all events on that log group. For more information about viewing log data in CloudWatch Logs, see <u>View log data sent to CloudWatch Logs</u>.

## Using CloudWatch Logs Insights queries to filter and sort logs

You can use CloudWatch Logs Insights to query multiple log groups at once. Once you identify a list of log groups that contain session information, navigate to CloudWatch Logs Insights and select the log groups. Then, further narrow down target log entries by customizing the query. Here are some sample queries:

#### List of logs that contain the keyword: error

```
fields @timestamp, @message
| filter @message like 'error'
| sort @timestamp desc
```

#### Debug logs from the Testing environment:

```
fields @timestamp, @message
| filter namespace = "DebugLogClient"
| sort @timestamp desc
```

#### Overall 504/404/500 error counts over 5 minute intervals:

```
filter @message like '/api/automation' and (@message like ': 404' or @message like ':
500' or @message like ': 504')
| fields @timestamp, method, path, statusCode
| stats count(*) as errorCount by bin(5m)
```

For more information about CloudWatch Logs Insights, <u>Analyzing log data with CloudWatch Logs</u> <u>Insights</u> in the Amazon CloudWatch Logs User Guide.

## **Troubleshooting connectors**

This topic contains troubleshooting guidance for common connector issues. You must be a member of an admin group to view or edit connectors.

## Check that your IAM role has the correct custom trust policy and tag

While setting up the IAM role for your connector, ensure that the custom trust policy is properly configured to provide access to App Studio. This custom trust policy is still needed if the AWS resources are in the same AWS account used to set up App Studio.

- Ensure the AWS account number in the Principal section is the AWS account ID of the account used to set up App Studio. This account number is not always the account in which the resource is located.
- Ensure "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true" is properly added in the sts:AssumeRole section.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Principal": {
      "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:root"
    },
    "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
    "Condition": {
      "StringEquals": {
        "aws:PrincipalTag/IsAppStudioAccessRole": "true"
      }
    }
  }
  ]
}
```

Also ensure that a tag with the following key and value have been added to the IAM role, for more information about adding tags, see <u>Tag IAM roles</u>:

#### 1 Note

Note that the value of the tag is IsAppStudioDataAccessRole, which is slightly different than the value in the custom trust policy (IsAppStudioAccessRole).

- Key: IsAppStudioDataAccessRole
- Value: true

Check the configuration of the resources in the product or service that your connector is connecting to. Some resources, such as Amazon Redshift tables, require additional configuration to use with App Studio.

Check your connector configuration. For AWS services, go to the connector in App Studio and ensure the correct Amazon Resource Name (ARN) is included and the AWS Region specified is the one that contains your resources.

## Check that your IAM role has the correct permissions

To provide App Studio access to AWS resources, you must assign appropriate permissions to the IAM role used by your connector. The required permissions are unique to the service, resource, and actions to be performed. For example, reading data from a Amazon Redshift table requires different permissions than uploading an object to an Amazon S3 bucket. See the appropriate topic in <u>Connect to AWS services</u> for more information.

## **Troubleshooting Amazon Redshift connectors**

This section includes troubleshooting guidance for common issues with Amazon Redshift connectors. For information about configuring Amazon Redshift connectors and resources, see <u>Connect to Amazon Redshift</u>.

- 1. Ensure that the Isolated Session toggle is set to OFF on the Amazon Redshift editor. This setting is required to allow visibility of data changes made by other users, such as an App Studio app.
- 2. Ensure the appropriate permissions are granted on the Amazon Redshift table.
- 3. In the connector configuration, ensure that the appropriate compute type (Provisioned or Serverless) is selected to match the Amazon Redshift table type.

## **Troubleshooting Aurora connectors**

This section includes troubleshooting guidance for common issues with Aurora connectors. For information about configuring Aurora connectors and resources, see <u>Connect to Amazon Aurora</u>.

- 1. Ensure that the appropriate and supported Aurora version is chosen when creating the table.
- 2. Verify that the Amazon RDS Data API is enabled, as this is a requirement to allow App Studio to perform operations on the Aurora tables. For more information, see <u>Enabling Amazon RDS Data API</u>.

3. Verify that AWS Secrets Manager permissions are provided.

## **Troubleshooting DynamoDB connectors**

This section includes troubleshooting guidance for common issues with DynamoDB connectors. For information about configuring DynamoDB connectors and resources, see <u>Connect to Amazon</u> <u>DynamoDB</u>.

If your DynamoDB table schemas don't appear when creating the connector, it may be because your DynamoDB table is encrypted with a customer-managed key (CMK) and the table data cannot be accessed without permissions to describe the key and decrypt the table. In order to create a DynamoDB connector with a table encrypted with a CMK, you must add the kms:decrypt and kms:describeKey permissions to your IAM role.

## **Troubleshooting Amazon S3 connectors**

This section includes troubleshooting guidance for common issues with Amazon S3 connectors. For information about configuring Amazon S3 connectors and resources, see <u>Connect to Amazon</u> <u>Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3)</u>.

General troubleshooting guidance includes checking the following:

- 1. Ensure the Amazon S3 connector is configured with the AWS Region that the Amazon S3 resources are in.
- 2. Ensure the IAM role is configured correctly.
- 3. In the Amazon S3 bucket, ensure the CORS configuration grants the appropriate permissions. For more information, see <u>Step 1: Create and configure Amazon S3 resources</u>.

#### Amazon S3 file upload error: Failed to calculate presigned URL

You may encounter the following error when trying to upload a file to an Amazon S3 bucket using the S3 Upload component:

Error while uploading file to S3: Failed to calculate presigned URL.

This error is typically caused by either an incorrect IAM role configuration, or incorrect CORS configuration on the Amazon S3 bucket and can be resolved by fixing those configurations with the information in <u>Connect to Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3)</u>.

# Troubleshooting publishing and sharing applications

This topic contains troubleshooting guidance for common issues when publishing or sharing App Studio applications.

# I don't see newly created app roles in the Share dialog box

Newly created app-level roles will only show up in the **Share** dialog box after the app is republished. Publish the app after the new roles are created to use them.

# I didn't get an email when my app's publish was completed

Only the app owner receives an email when an app is published.

# My app's end users are unable to access the published app

If your end users are unable to access your published app, and are getting a Forbidden message when trying to access it, it's likely that the published app is not shared with the users attempting to access it. Published apps must be shared with groups to grant access to the users in the groups.

To learn more about sharing applications, see <u>Sharing published applications</u>.

# Security in AWS App Studio

Cloud security at AWS is the highest priority. As an AWS customer, you benefit from a data center and network architecture that is built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations.

Security is a shared responsibility between AWS and you. The <u>shared responsibility model</u> describes this as security *of* the cloud and security *in* the cloud:

- Security of the cloud AWS is responsible for protecting the infrastructure that runs AWS services in the AWS Cloud. AWS also provides you with services that you can use securely. The effectiveness of our security is regularly tested and verified by third-party auditors as part of the <u>AWS compliance programs</u>. To learn about the compliance programs that apply to App Studio, see <u>AWS Services in Scope by Compliance Program</u>.
- Security in the cloud Your responsibility is determined by the AWS service that you use. You are also responsible for other factors including the sensitivity of your data, your organization's requirements, and applicable laws and regulations.

This documentation will help you understand how to apply the shared responsibility model when using App Studio. The following topics show you how to configure App Studio to meet your security and compliance objectives. You'll also learn how to use other AWS services that can help you to monitor and secure your App Studio resources.

#### Topics

- Security considerations and mitigations
- Data protection in AWS App Studio
- AWS App Studio and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)
- <u>Compliance validation for AWS App Studio</u>
- <u>Resilience in AWS App Studio</u>
- Infrastructure Security in AWS App Studio
- <u>Configuration and vulnerability analysis in AWS App Studio</u>
- Cross-service confused deputy prevention
- <u>Cross-Region data transfer in AWS App Studio</u>

# Security considerations and mitigations

# Security considerations

When dealing with data connectors, data models, and published applications, several security concerns arise related to data exposure, access control, and potential vulnerabilities. The following list includes the primary security concerns.

## Improper configuration of IAM roles

Incorrect configuration of IAM roles for data connectors can lead to unauthorized access and data leaks. Granting overly permissive access to a data connector's IAM role can allow unauthorized users to access and modify sensitive data.

## Using IAM roles to perform data operations

Since end users of an App Studio app assume the IAM role provided in the connector configuration to perform actions, those end users might get access to data to which they typically do not have access.

## Deleting data connectors of published applications

When a data connector is deleted, the associated secret credentials are not automatically removed from published applications that are already using that connector. In this scenario, if an application has been published with certain connectors, and one of those connectors is deleted from App Studio, the published application will continue to work using the previously stored connector credentials. It is important to note that the published app will remain unaffected and operational despite the connector deletion.

## Editing data connectors on published applications

When a data connector is edited, the changes are not automatically reflected in published applications that are using that connector. If an application has been published with certain connectors, and one of those connectors is modified in App Studio, the published application will continue to use the previously stored connector configuration and credentials. To incorporate the updated connector changes, the application must be republished. Until the app is republished, it will remain incorrect and non-operational, or unaffected and operational but will not reflect the latest connector modifications.

## Security risk mitigation recommendations

This section lists mitigation recommendations to avoid security risks detailed in the previous security considerations section.

- 1. **Proper IAM role configuration:** Ensure that IAM roles for data connectors are correctly configured with the principle of least privilege to prevent unauthorized access and data leaks.
- 2. **Restricted app access:** Only share your apps with users who are authorized to view or perform actions on the application data.
- 3. App publishing: Ensure that apps are republished whenever a connector is updated or deleted.

# Data protection in AWS App Studio

The AWS <u>shared responsibility model</u> applies to data protection in AWS App Studio. As described in this model, AWS is responsible for protecting the global infrastructure that runs all of the AWS Cloud. You are responsible for maintaining control over your content that is hosted on this infrastructure. You are also responsible for the security configuration and management tasks for the AWS services that you use. For more information about data privacy, see the <u>Data Privacy FAQ</u>. For information about data protection in Europe, see the <u>AWS Shared Responsibility Model and</u> <u>GDPR</u> blog post on the *AWS Security Blog*.

For data protection purposes, we recommend that you protect AWS account credentials and set up individual users with AWS IAM Identity Center or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). That way, each user is given only the permissions necessary to fulfill their job duties. We also recommend that you secure your data in the following ways:

- Use multi-factor authentication (MFA) with each account.
- Use SSL/TLS to communicate with AWS resources. We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
- Set up API and user activity logging with AWS CloudTrail. For information about using CloudTrail trails to capture AWS activities, see <u>Working with CloudTrail trails</u> in the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.
- Use AWS encryption solutions, along with all default security controls within AWS services.
- Use advanced managed security services such as Amazon Macie, which assists in discovering and securing sensitive data that is stored in Amazon S3.

 If you require FIPS 140-3 validated cryptographic modules when accessing AWS through a command line interface or an API, use a FIPS endpoint. For more information about the available FIPS endpoints, see Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-3.

We strongly recommend that you never put confidential or sensitive information, such as your customers' email addresses, into tags or free-form text fields such as a **Name** field. This includes when you work with AWS App Studio or other AWS services using the console, API, AWS CLI, or AWS SDKs. Any data that you enter into tags or free-form text fields used for names may be used for billing or diagnostic logs. If you provide a URL to an external server, we strongly recommend that you do not include credentials information in the URL to validate your request to that server.

# **Data encryption**

App Studio securely stores and transfers data by encrypting data at rest and in transit.

## **Encryption at rest**

Encryption at rest refers to protecting your data from unauthorized access by encrypting data while stored. App Studio provides encryption at rest by default using AWS KMS keys, and you do not need to do any additional configuration for data encryption at rest.

App Studio securely stores the following data for your applications: source code, build artifacts, metadata, and permissions information.

When using data sources that are encrypted with a AWS KMS Customer Managed Key (CMK), App Studio resources continue to be encrypted using an AWS managed key, whereas the data in the encrypted data sources are encrypted by the CMK. For more information about using encrypted data sources in App Studio apps, see <u>Use encrypted data sources with CMKs</u>.

App Studio uses Amazon CloudFront to serve your app to your users. CloudFront uses SSDs which are encrypted for edge location points of presence (POPs), and encrypted EBS volumes for Regional Edge Caches (RECs). Function code and configuration in CloudFront Functions is always stored in an encrypted format on the encrypted SSDs on the edge location POPs, and in other storage locations used by CloudFront.

# **Encryption in transit**

Encryption in transit refers to protecting your data from being intercepted while it moves between communication endpoints. App Studio provides encryption for data in-transit by default. All

communication between customers and App Studio, and between App Studio and its downstream dependencies is protected using TLS connections that are signed using the Signature Version 4 signing process. All App Studio endpoints use SHA-256 certificates that are managed by AWS Certificate Manager Private Certificate Authority.

## Key management

App Studio does not support managing encryption keys.

## Inter-network traffic privacy

When you create an instance in App Studio, you choose the AWS Region where the data and resources will be stored for that instance. Application build artifacts and metadata never leaves that AWS Region.

However, note the following information:

- Because App Studio uses Amazon CloudFront to serve your application and uses Lambda@Edge to manage authentication to your application, a limited set of authentication data, authorization data, application metadata would be accessed from CloudFront edge locations, which could be in a different Region.
- AWS App Studio transfers data across AWS Regions to enable certain generative AI features in the service. For more information about the features enabled by cross-Region data transfers, the type of data that moves across Regions, and how to opt out, see <u>Cross-Region data transfer in</u> <u>AWS App Studio</u>.

# AWS App Studio and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

In AWS App Studio, you manage access and permissions in the service by assigning groups in IAM Identity Center to the appropriate role in App Studio. The permissions of the group members are determined by the role that is assigned, and not by configuring users, roles, or permissions directly in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). For more information about managing access and permissions in App Studio, see <u>Managing access and roles in App Studio</u>.

App Studio does integrate with IAM when verifying an instance for billing purposes, and when connected to an AWS account to create and use resources in that AWS account. For information

about connecting App Studio to other AWS services for use in your applications, see <u>Connect to</u> AWS services.

When you create an instance in App Studio, you must connect an AWS account as the billing and management account for your instance. To enable key features, App Studio also creates <u>IAM service</u> roles to provide the service with necessary permissions to carry out tasks on your behalf.

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) is an AWS service that helps an administrator securely control access to AWS resources. IAM administrators control who can be *authenticated* (signed in) and *authorized* (have permissions) to use App Studio resources. IAM is an AWS service that you can use with no additional charge.

#### Topics

- Identity-based policies for App Studio
- Resource-based policies within App Studio
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- Policy resources for App Studio
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Before you use IAM to manage access to App Studio, learn what IAM features are available to use with App Studio.

#### IAM features you can use with AWS App Studio

IAM feature	App Studio support
Identity-based policies	Yes
Resource-based policies	No
Policy actions	Yes
Policy resources	Yes
Policy condition keys	No
ACLs	No
ABAC (tags in policies)	No
Temporary credentials	Yes
Principal permissions	Yes
Service roles	Yes
Service-linked roles	Yes

To get a high-level view of how App Studio and other AWS services work with most IAM features, see AWS services that work with IAM in the *IAM User Guide*.

## Identity-based policies for App Studio

#### Supports identity-based policies: Yes

Identity-based policies are JSON permissions policy documents that you can attach to an identity, such as an IAM user, group of users, or role. These policies control what actions users and roles can perform, on which resources, and under what conditions. To learn how to create an identity-based policy, see <u>Define custom IAM permissions with customer managed policies</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

With IAM identity-based policies, you can specify allowed or denied actions and resources as well as the conditions under which actions are allowed or denied. You can't specify the principal in an identity-based policy because it applies to the user or role to which it is attached. To learn about all of the elements that you can use in a JSON policy, see <u>IAM JSON policy elements reference</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

## Identity-based policy examples for App Studio

To view examples of App Studio identity-based policies, see <u>Identity-based policy examples for</u> <u>AWS App Studio</u>.

## **Resource-based policies within App Studio**

#### Supports resource-based policies: No

Resource-based policies are JSON policy documents that you attach to a resource. Examples of resource-based policies are IAM *role trust policies* and Amazon S3 *bucket policies*. In services that support resource-based policies, service administrators can use them to control access to a specific resource. For the resource where the policy is attached, the policy defines what actions a specified principal can perform on that resource and under what conditions. You must <u>specify a principal</u> in a resource-based policy. Principals can include accounts, users, roles, federated users, or AWS services.

To enable cross-account access, you can specify an entire account or IAM entities in another account as the principal in a resource-based policy. Adding a cross-account principal to a resource-based policy is only half of establishing the trust relationship. When the principal and the resource are in different AWS accounts, an IAM administrator in the trusted account must also grant the principal entity (user or role) permission to access the resource. They grant permission by attaching an identity-based policy to the entity. However, if a resource-based policy grants access to a principal in the same account, no additional identity-based policy is required. For more information, see <u>Cross account resource access in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

# **Policy actions for App Studio**

#### Supports policy actions: Yes

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which **principal** can perform **actions** on what **resources**, and under what **conditions**.

The Action element of a JSON policy describes the actions that you can use to allow or deny access in a policy. Policy actions usually have the same name as the associated AWS API operation. There are some exceptions, such as *permission-only actions* that don't have a matching API

operation. There are also some operations that require multiple actions in a policy. These additional actions are called *dependent actions*.

Include actions in a policy to grant permissions to perform the associated operation.

To see a list of App Studio actions, see <u>Actions Defined by AWS App Studio</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*.

Policy actions in App Studio use the following prefix before the action:

appstudio

To specify multiple actions in a single statement, separate them with commas.

```
"Action": [
"appstudio:action1",
"appstudio:action2"
]
```

The following statement lists all of the actions in App Studio:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "AWS App Studio permissions",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "appstudio:GetAccountStatus", // Required to get the current account's
 App Studio instance status
                "appstudio:GetEnablementJobStatus", // Required to get the status of an
 enablement job of an App Studio instance
                "appstudio:StartEnablementJob", // Required to start the enablement of
 an App Studio instance
                "appstudio:StartRollbackEnablementJob", // Required to disable an
 enabled App Studio instance
                "appstudio:StartTeamDeployment" // Required to start deployment in
 order to update the App Studio instance infrastructure
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        }
```

]

# Policy resources for App Studio

#### Supports policy resources: Yes

App Studio permissions only support a wildcard (\*) in the Resource element of a policy.

## Policy condition keys for App Studio

#### Supports service-specific policy condition keys: No

App Studio does not support policy condition keys.

# **ACLs in App Studio**

#### Supports ACLs: No

Access control lists (ACLs) control which principals (account members, users, or roles) have permissions to access a resource. ACLs are similar to resource-based policies, although they do not use the JSON policy document format.

## **ABAC with App Studio**

#### Supports ABAC (tags in policies): No

App Studio does not support attribute-based access control (ABAC).

## Using temporary credentials with App Studio

#### Supports temporary credentials: Yes

Some AWS services don't work when you sign in using temporary credentials. For additional information, including which AWS services work with temporary credentials, see <u>AWS services that</u> work with IAM in the *IAM User Guide*.

You are using temporary credentials if you sign in to the AWS Management Console using any method except a user name and password. For example, when you access AWS using your company's single sign-on (SSO) link, that process automatically creates temporary credentials. You also automatically create temporary credentials when you sign in to the console as a user and then switch roles. For more information about switching roles, see <u>Switch from a user to an IAM role</u> (console) in the *IAM User Guide*.

You can manually create temporary credentials using the AWS CLI or AWS API. You can then use those temporary credentials to access AWS. AWS recommends that you dynamically generate temporary credentials instead of using long-term access keys. For more information, see <u>Temporary security credentials in IAM</u>.

# **Cross-service principal permissions for App Studio**

## Supports forward access sessions (FAS): Yes

When you use an IAM user or role to perform actions in AWS, you are considered a principal. When you use some services, you might perform an action that then initiates another action in a different service. FAS uses the permissions of the principal calling an AWS service, combined with the requesting AWS service to make requests to downstream services. FAS requests are only made when a service receives a request that requires interactions with other AWS services or resources to complete. In this case, you must have permissions to perform both actions. For policy details when making FAS requests, see <u>Forward access sessions</u>.

# Service roles for App Studio

#### Supports service roles: Yes

A service role is an <u>IAM role</u> that a service assumes to perform actions on your behalf. An IAM administrator can create, modify, and delete a service role from within IAM. For more information, see <u>Create a role to delegate permissions to an AWS service</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

AWS App Studio uses <u>IAM service roles</u> for some features to give App Studio permission to carry out tasks on your behalf. The console automatically creates service roles for supported features when you set up App Studio.

#### <u> M</u>arning

Changing the permissions for a service role might break App Studio functionality. Edit service roles only when App Studio provides guidance to do so.

# Service-linked roles for App Studio

#### Supports service-linked roles: Yes

A service-linked role is a type of service role that is linked to an AWS service. The service can assume the role to perform an action on your behalf. Service-linked roles appear in your AWS account and are owned by the service. An IAM administrator can view, but not edit the permissions for service-linked roles.

For details about creating or managing service-linked roles, see <u>AWS services that work with IAM</u>. Find a service in the table that includes a Yes in the **Service-linked role** column. Choose the **Yes** link to view the service-linked role documentation for that service.

# AWS managed policies for AWS App Studio

To add permissions to users, groups, and roles, it is easier to use AWS managed policies than to write policies yourself. It takes time and expertise to <u>create IAM customer managed policies</u> that provide your team with only the permissions they need. To get started quickly, you can use our AWS managed policies. These policies cover common use cases and are available in your AWS account. For more information about AWS managed policies, see <u>AWS managed policies</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

AWS services maintain and update AWS managed policies. You can't change the permissions in AWS managed policies. Services occasionally add additional permissions to an AWS managed policy to support new features. This type of update affects all identities (users, groups, and roles) where the policy is attached. Services are most likely to update an AWS managed policy when a new feature is launched or when new operations become available. Services do not remove permissions from an AWS managed policy, so policy updates won't break your existing permissions.

Additionally, AWS supports managed policies for job functions that span multiple services. For example, the **ReadOnlyAccess** AWS managed policy provides read-only access to all AWS services and resources. When a service launches a new feature, AWS adds read-only permissions for new operations and resources. For a list and descriptions of job function policies, see <u>AWS managed</u> policies for job functions in the *IAM User Guide*.

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#### AWS managed policy: AppStudioServiceRolePolicy

You can't attach AppStudioServiceRolePolicy to your IAM entities. This policy is attached to a service-linked role that allows App Studio to perform actions on your behalf. For more information, see <u>Service-linked roles for App Studio</u>.

This policy grants permissions that allow the service-linked role to manage AWS resources.

#### Permissions details

This policy includes permissions to do the following:

- logs Create CloudWatch log groups and log streams. Also gives permission to create log events in those log groups and streams.
- secretsmanager Create, read, update, and delete managed secrets that are managed by App Studio.
- sso Retrieve application instances.
- sso-directory Retrieve information about users and retrieve the list of members in groups.

```
{
 "Version": "2012-10-17",
 "Statement": [
     {
         "Sid": "AppStudioResourcePermissionsForCloudWatch",
         "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
             "logs:CreateLogGroup",
             "logs:CreateLogStream",
             "logs:PutLogEvents"
         ],
         "Resource": [
             "arn:aws:logs:*:*:log-group:/aws/appstudio/*"
         ],
         "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                 "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}"
             }
         }
     },
     {
```

```
"Sid": "AppStudioResourcePermissionsForSecretsManager",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "secretsmanager:CreateSecret",
            "secretsmanager:DeleteSecret",
            "secretsmanager:DescribeSecret",
            "secretsmanager:GetSecretValue",
            "secretsmanager:PutSecretValue",
            "secretsmanager:UpdateSecret",
            "secretsmanager: TagResource"
        ],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:secretsmanager:*:*:secret:appstudio-*",
        "Condition": {
            "ForAllValues:StringEquals": {
                "aws:TagKeys": [
                    "IsAppStudioSecret"
                ]
            },
            "StringEquals": {
                "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}",
                "aws:ResourceTag/IsAppStudioSecret": "true"
            }
        }
    },
    {
        "Sid": "AppStudioResourcePermissionsForManagedSecrets",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "secretsmanager:DeleteSecret",
            "secretsmanager:DescribeSecret",
            "secretsmanager:GetSecretValue",
            "secretsmanager:PutSecretValue",
            "secretsmanager:UpdateSecret"
        ],
        "Resource": "arn:aws:secretsmanager:*:*:secret:appstudio!*",
        "Condition": {
            "StringEquals": {
                "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}",
                "secretsmanager:ResourceTag/aws:secretsmanager:owningService":
"appstudio"
            }
        }
    },
    {
```

```
"Sid": "AppStudioResourceWritePermissionsForManagedSecrets",
         "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
             "secretsmanager:CreateSecret"
         ],
         "Resource": "arn:aws:secretsmanager:*:*:secret:appstudio!*",
         "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                 "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}"
             }
         }
     },
     {
         "Sid": "AppStudioResourcePermissionsForSSO",
         "Effect": "Allow",
         "Action": [
             "sso:GetManagedApplicationInstance",
             "sso-directory:DescribeUsers",
             "sso-directory:ListMembersInGroup"
         ],
         "Resource": "*",
         "Condition": {
             "StringEquals": {
                 "aws:ResourceAccount": "${aws:PrincipalAccount}"
             }
         }
     }
]
}
```

## App Studio updates to AWS managed policies

View details about updates to AWS managed policies for App Studio since this service began tracking these changes.

Change	Description	Date
AppStudioServiceRolePolicy – Update to an existing policy	App Studio added new permissions to allow managing of App Studio	March 14, 2025

Change	Description	Date
	managed secrets in AWS Secrets Manager.	
App Studio started tracking changes	App Studio started tracking changes for its AWS managed policies.	June 28, 2024

## Service-linked roles for App Studio

App Studio uses <u>AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) service-linked roles</u>. A service-linked role is a unique type of IAM role that is linked directly to App Studio. Service-linked roles are predefined by App Studio and include all the permissions that the service requires to call other AWS services on your behalf.

A service-linked role makes setting up App Studio easier because you don't have to manually add the necessary permissions. App Studio defines the permissions of its service-linked roles, and unless defined otherwise, only App Studio can assume its roles. The defined permissions include the trust policy and the permissions policy, and that permissions policy cannot be attached to any other IAM entity.

You can delete a service-linked role only after first deleting their related resources. This protects your App Studio resources because you can't inadvertently remove permission to access the resources.

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- <u>Creating a service-linked role for App Studio</u>
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- Deleting a service-linked role for App Studio

## Service-linked role permissions for App Studio

App Studio uses the service-linked role named AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio. It's a servicelinked role required for App Studio to persistently manage AWS services, to maintain the application building experience. The AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio service-linked role uses the following trust policy, which only trusts the appstudio-service.amazonaws.com service:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Principal": {
               "Service": "appstudio-service.amazonaws.com"
            },
            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole"
        }
    ]
}
```

For permissions, the AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio service-linked role provides permissions to the following services:

- Amazon CloudWatch: To send logs and metrics for App Studio usage.
- AWS Secrets Manager: To manage credentials for connectors in App Studio, used to connect apps to other services.
- IAM Identity Center: To read-only access to manage user access.

Specifically, the permissions granted with AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio are defined by the attached AppStudioServiceRolePolicy managed policy. For more information about the managed policy, including the permissions it includes, see <u>AWS managed policy</u>: <u>AppStudioServiceRolePolicy</u>.

#### Creating a service-linked role for App Studio

You don't need to manually create a service-linked role. When you create an App Studio instance, App Studio creates the service-linked role for you.

If you delete this service-linked role, it is recommended to create an App Studio instance to have another one automatically created for you.

While not neccesary, you can also use the IAM console or AWS CLI to create service-linked roles by creating a service-linked role with the appstudio-service.amazonaws.com service name, as in

the trust policy snippet shown earlier. For more information, see <u>Creating a service-linked role</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

## Editing a service-linked role for App Studio

App Studio doesn't allow you to edit the AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio service-linked role. After you create a service-linked role, you can't change the name of the role because various entities might reference the role. However, you can edit the description of the role by using IAM. For more information, see <u>Editing a service-linked role</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

## Deleting a service-linked role for App Studio

You don't need to delete the AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio role. When you delete the App Studio instance, App Studio cleans up the resources and deletes the service-linked role automatically.

While not recommended, you can use the IAM console or the AWS CLI to delete the service-linked role. To do this, you must first clean up the resources for your service-linked role and then you can delete it.

#### 🚯 Note

If App Studio is using the role when you try to delete the resources, then the deletion might fail. If that happens, wait for a few minutes and try the operation again.

#### To manually delete the service-linked role using IAM

- 1. Delete the applications and connectors from your App Studio instance.
- Use the IAM console, the IAM CLI, or the IAM API to delete the AWSServiceRoleForAppStudio service-linked role. For more information, see <u>Deleting a</u> <u>service-linked role</u> in the IAM User Guide.

# Identity-based policy examples for AWS App Studio

By default, users and roles don't have permission to create or modify App Studio resources. They also can't perform tasks by using the AWS Management Console, AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or AWS API. To grant users permission to perform actions on the resources that they
need, an IAM administrator can create IAM policies. The administrator can then add the IAM policies to roles, and users can assume the roles.

To learn how to create an IAM identity-based policy by using these example JSON policy documents, see <u>Create IAM policies (console)</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

For details about actions and resource types defined by App Studio, including the format of the ARNs for each of the resource types, see <u>Actions, Resources, and Condition Keys for AWS App</u> <u>Studio</u> in the *Service Authorization Reference*.

#### Topics

- Policy best practices
- Using the App Studio console
- Allow users to view their own permissions
- Example 1: Allow users to set up an App Studio instance
- Example 2: Deny users from setting up an App Studio instance

#### **Policy best practices**

Identity-based policies determine whether someone can create, access, or delete App Studio resources in your account. These actions can incur costs for your AWS account. When you create or edit identity-based policies, follow these guidelines and recommendations:

- Get started with AWS managed policies and move toward least-privilege permissions To get started granting permissions to your users and workloads, use the AWS managed policies that grant permissions for many common use cases. They are available in your AWS account. We recommend that you reduce permissions further by defining AWS customer managed policies that are specific to your use cases. For more information, see <u>AWS managed policies</u> or <u>AWS</u> managed policies for job functions in the *IAM User Guide*.
- **Apply least-privilege permissions** When you set permissions with IAM policies, grant only the permissions required to perform a task. You do this by defining the actions that can be taken on specific resources under specific conditions, also known as *least-privilege permissions*. For more information about using IAM to apply permissions, see <u>Policies and permissions in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Use conditions in IAM policies to further restrict access You can add a condition to your policies to limit access to actions and resources. For example, you can write a policy condition to specify that all requests must be sent using SSL. You can also use conditions to grant access to

service actions if they are used through a specific AWS service, such as AWS CloudFormation. For more information, see IAM JSON policy elements: Condition in the *IAM User Guide*.

- Use IAM Access Analyzer to validate your IAM policies to ensure secure and functional permissions – IAM Access Analyzer validates new and existing policies so that the policies adhere to the IAM policy language (JSON) and IAM best practices. IAM Access Analyzer provides more than 100 policy checks and actionable recommendations to help you author secure and functional policies. For more information, see <u>Validate policies with IAM Access Analyzer</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.
- Require multi-factor authentication (MFA) If you have a scenario that requires IAM users or a root user in your AWS account, turn on MFA for additional security. To require MFA when API operations are called, add MFA conditions to your policies. For more information, see <u>Secure API</u> access with MFA in the IAM User Guide.

For more information about best practices in IAM, see <u>Security best practices in IAM</u> in the *IAM User Guide*.

### Using the App Studio console

To access the AWS App Studio console, you must have a minimum set of permissions. These permissions must allow you to list and view details about the App Studio resources in your AWS account. If you create an identity-based policy that is more restrictive than the minimum required permissions, the console won't function as intended for entities (users or roles) with that policy.

You don't need to allow minimum console permissions for users that are making calls only to the AWS CLI or the AWS API. Instead, allow access to only the actions that match the API operation that they're trying to perform.

To ensure that users and roles can still use the App Studio console, also attach the App Studio *ConsoleAccess* or *ReadOnly* AWS managed policy to the entities. For more information, see Adding permissions to a user in the *IAM User Guide*.

### Allow users to view their own permissions

This example shows how you might create a policy that allows IAM users to view the inline and managed policies that are attached to their user identity. This policy includes permissions to complete this action on the console or programmatically using the AWS CLI or AWS API.

```
"Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "ViewOwnUserInfo",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "iam:GetUserPolicy",
                "iam:ListGroupsForUser",
                "iam:ListAttachedUserPolicies",
                "iam:ListUserPolicies",
                "iam:GetUser"
            ],
            "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam::*:user/${aws:username}"]
        },
        {
            "Sid": "NavigateInConsole",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "iam:GetGroupPolicy",
                "iam:GetPolicyVersion",
                "iam:GetPolicy",
                "iam:ListAttachedGroupPolicies",
                "iam:ListGroupPolicies",
                "iam:ListPolicyVersions",
                "iam:ListPolicies",
                "iam:ListUsers"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        }
    ]
}
```

#### Example 1: Allow users to set up an App Studio instance

The following example shows an identity-based policy to allow a role to set up an App Studio instance.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [{
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
            "appstudio:GetAccountStatus",
```

```
"appstudio:GetEnablementJobStatus",
    "appstudio:StartEnablementJob",
    "appstudio:StartRollbackEnablementJob",
    "appstudio:StartTeamDeployment"
    ],
    "Resource": "*"
}]
```

#### Example 2: Deny users from setting up an App Studio instance

The following example shows an identity-based policy to deny a role from settting up an App Studio instance.

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [{
        "Effect": "Deny",
        "Action": [
            "appstudio:*"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
    }]
}
```

## **Compliance validation for AWS App Studio**

To learn whether an AWS service is within the scope of specific compliance programs, see <u>AWS</u> <u>services in Scope by Compliance Program</u> and choose the compliance program that you are interested in. For general information, see <u>AWS Compliance Programs</u>.

You can download third-party audit reports using AWS Artifact. For more information, see <u>Downloading Reports in AWS Artifact</u>.

Your compliance responsibility when using AWS services is determined by the sensitivity of your data, your company's compliance objectives, and applicable laws and regulations. AWS provides the following resources to help with compliance:

 <u>Security Compliance & Governance</u> – These solution implementation guides discuss architectural considerations and provide steps for deploying security and compliance features.

- <u>HIPAA Eligible Services Reference</u> Lists HIPAA eligible services. Not all AWS services are HIPAA eligible.
- <u>AWS Compliance Resources</u> This collection of workbooks and guides might apply to your industry and location.
- <u>AWS Customer Compliance Guides</u> Understand the shared responsibility model through the lens of compliance. The guides summarize the best practices for securing AWS services and map the guidance to security controls across multiple frameworks (including National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI), and International Organization for Standardization (ISO)).
- <u>Evaluating Resources with Rules</u> in the AWS Config Developer Guide The AWS Config service assesses how well your resource configurations comply with internal practices, industry guidelines, and regulations.
- <u>AWS Security Hub</u> This AWS service provides a comprehensive view of your security state within AWS. Security Hub uses security controls to evaluate your AWS resources and to check your compliance against security industry standards and best practices. For a list of supported services and controls, see <u>Security Hub controls reference</u>.
- <u>Amazon GuardDuty</u> This AWS service detects potential threats to your AWS accounts, workloads, containers, and data by monitoring your environment for suspicious and malicious activities. GuardDuty can help you address various compliance requirements, like PCI DSS, by meeting intrusion detection requirements mandated by certain compliance frameworks.
- <u>AWS Audit Manager</u> This AWS service helps you continuously audit your AWS usage to simplify how you manage risk and compliance with regulations and industry standards.

## **Resilience in AWS App Studio**

The AWS global infrastructure is built around AWS Regions and Availability Zones. AWS Regions provide multiple physically separated and isolated Availability Zones, which are connected with low-latency, high-throughput, and highly redundant networking. With Availability Zones, you can design and operate applications and databases that automatically fail over between zones without interruption. Availability Zones are more highly available, fault tolerant, and scalable than traditional single or multiple data center infrastructures.

For more information about AWS Regions and Availability Zones, see AWS Global Infrastructure.

In addition to the AWS global infrastructure, AWS App Studio offers several features to help support your data resiliency and backup needs.

## Infrastructure Security in AWS App Studio

As a managed service, AWS App Studio is protected by the AWS global network security procedures that are described in the <u>Amazon Web Services</u>: <u>Overview of Security Processes</u> whitepaper.

You use AWS published API calls to access App Studio through the network. Clients must support at least Transport Layer Security (TLS) 1.2, but TLS 1.3 is recommended. Clients must also support cipher suites with perfect forward secrecy (PFS) such as DHE (Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman) or ECDHE (Elliptic Curve Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman). Most modern systems such as Java 7 and later support these modes.

Additionally, requests must be signed by using an access key ID and a secret access key that is associated with an IAM principal. Or you can use the <u>AWS Security Token Service</u> (AWS STS) to generate temporary security credentials to sign requests.

## Configuration and vulnerability analysis in AWS App Studio

Configuration and IT controls are a shared responsibility between AWS and you, our customer. For more information, see the AWS shared responsibility model.

## **Cross-service confused deputy prevention**

The confused deputy problem is a security issue where an entity that doesn't have permission to perform an action can coerce a more-privileged entity to perform the action. In AWS, cross-service impersonation can result in the confused deputy problem. Cross-service impersonation can occur when one service (the *calling service*) calls another service (the *called service*). The calling service can be manipulated to use its permissions to act on another customer's resources in a way it should not otherwise have permission to access. To prevent this, AWS provides tools that help you protect your data for all services with service principals that have been given access to resources in your account.

We recommend using the <u>aws:SourceArn</u> and <u>aws:SourceAccount</u> global condition context keys in resource policies to limit the permissions that gives another service to the resource. Use aws:SourceArn if you want only one resource to be associated with the cross-service access. Use aws:SourceAccount if you want to allow any resource in that account to be associated with the cross-service use.

The most effective way to protect against the confused deputy problem is to use the aws:SourceArn global condition context key with the full ARN of the resource. If you don't know

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the full ARN of the resource or if you are specifying multiple resources, use the aws:SourceArn global context condition key with wildcard characters (\*) for the unknown portions of the ARN. For example, arn:aws:servicename:\*:123456789012:\*.

If the aws: SourceArn value does not contain the account ID, such as an Amazon S3 bucket ARN, you must use both global condition context keys to limit permissions.

The value of aws:SourceArn must be ResourceDescription.

The following example shows how you can use the aws:SourceArn and aws:SourceAccount global condition context keys in to prevent the confused deputy problem.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": {
    "Sid": "ConfusedDeputyPreventionExamplePolicy",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Principal": {
      "Service": "servicename.amazonaws.com"
    },
    "Action": "servicename:ActionName",
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:servicename:::ResourceName/*"
    ],
    "Condition": {
      "ArnLike": {
        "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:servicename:*:123456789012:*"
      },
      "StringEquals": {
        "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

## **Cross-Region data transfer in AWS App Studio**

AWS App Studio transfers data across AWS Regions to enable certain generative AI features in the service. This topic contains information about the features enabled by cross-Region data transfers, the type of data that moves across Regions, and how to opt out.

The following features are enabled by cross-Region data transfer, and will not be accessible in your instance if you opt out:

- 1. Creating an app with AI, used to kickstart app building by describing your app with natural language and creating resources for you.
- 2. The AI chat in the application studio, used to ask questions about app building, publishing, and sharing.

The following data is transferred across Regions:

1. The prompts or user input from the features described previously.

To opt out of cross-Region data transfer, and the features enabled by it, use the following procedure to fill out the opt-out request form from the console:

- 1. Open the App Studio console at <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/appstudio/</u>.
- 2. Choose **Opt out of data transfer**.
- 3. Enter your AWS account ID, and provide your email address.
- 4. Choose Submit.
- 5. Once submitted, your request to opt out of cross-Region data transfer will be processed, which can take up to 60 days.

# Supported browsers for AWS App Studio

This topic contains information about the supported and recommended browsers for AWS App Studio, including browser support for both end users accessing published applications, and application builders.

# Supported and recommended browsers for building applications

For the optimal application building experience, App Studio supports and highly recommends using Google Chrome.

#### 🚯 Note

While not recommended, you can also build applications using other popular web browsers such as Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge, or Apple Safari for MacOS, but note that these browsers are not officially supported or validated, and you may need to update settings to access some builder features. For more information, see <u>Update browser settings to build</u> apps on App Studio.

App Studio does not support building applications from mobile platforms.

# Supported and recommended browsers for application end users

For end users accessing published applications, App Studio highly recommends using Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox. While those are the recommended browsers, end users can also access published apps with other popular web browsers, such as Microsoft Edge or Apple Safari for MacOS.

End users can also access published applications from mobile platforms.

## Update browser settings to build apps on App Studio

App Studio officially supports and recommends using Google Chrome to build applications. However, if you want to use other browsers to build applications, you may have to update certain settings or cookies related to cross-site tracking to access certain pages in App Studio.

For Mozilla Firefox: To preview applications, update the following setting: Firefox Settings
> Privacy & Security > Enhanced Tracking Protection to Custom > Cookies >
Cross-site tracking cookies.

**For Apple Safari for MacOS:** To build or preview applications, disable the following setting: Settings > Privacy > Prevent cross-site tracking.

# **Quotas for AWS App Studio**

The following table describes quotas and limits for AWS App Studio.

Maximum number of apps in an App Studio instance	20
Maximum number of applications published to the Testing or Production environment in an App Studio instance. A single application published to both Testing and Production counts as two published applications.	6
Maximum number of managed entities per app	20
Maximum number of rows returned per query	3000
Maximum number of rows of sample data per entity	500
Maximum run time of an automation	2 minutes. Automations that run longer than 2 minute will fail.
Maximum automation input and output size	5GB per input or output.
Maximum data size used by an automation or data action	450MB per automation or data action run.
Page names and component names	Must be non-empty and unique. Must contain only letters, numbers underscores (_) and dollar signs (\$). Cannot contain spaces.

# **Document history for the AWS App Studio User Guide**

The following table describes the documentation releases for AWS App Studio.

Change	Description	Date
<u>New topic: Rolling back the</u> <u>Production environment</u> <u>version of an app</u>	Added information about rolling back the published version of your app to a previously published version if issues are detected. For more information, see <u>Rolling</u> <u>back to a previously published</u> <u>version</u> .	April 10, 2025
<u>New topics: Duplicate apps,</u> pages, and components	Added new topics with information about duplicating apps, pages, and component s in App Studio. For more information, see <u>Duplicati</u> <u>ng applications</u> , <u>Duplicati</u> <u>ng pages</u> , and <u>Duplicating</u> <u>components</u> .	April 7, 2025
New topics: Import and export applications between App Studio instances	Added new topics with information about importing and exporting applications between App Studio instances , including a list of importable applications provided by App Studio that can be used to learn app building concepts. For more information, see Importing applications and Exporting applications.	March 30, 2025

<u>Updated topic: AWS managed</u> <u>policy: AppStudioServiceRo</u> <u>lePolicy</u>	Updated AppStudio ServiceRolePolicy permissions and added policy description informati on for each service. For more information, see <u>AWS</u> <u>managed policy: AppStudio</u> <u>ServiceRolePolicy</u> .	March 14, 2025
<u>Updated topic: Editing or</u> <u>configuring data actions</u>	Added information about existing and new operators used in data action condition s, which are used to retrieve a subset of data from your database table that matches the conditions. For more information, see <u>Editing or</u> <u>configuring data actions</u> .	February 27, 2025
<u>Updated topic: Using</u> <u>JavaScript to write expressio</u> <u>ns</u>	Reorganized and added information about referenci ng or updating UI component and table data using expressio ns in applications. For more information, see <u>Using</u> <u>JavaScript to write expressio</u> <u>ns in App Studio</u> .	February 18, 2025

<u>Updated topic: App content</u> <u>security settings</u>	Added information about the <b>Content source</b> app content security setting. You can use this setting to restrict the domains in which your app can upload objects to Amazon S3. For more information, see <u>Viewing or updating</u> your app's content security settings.	February 14, 2025
<u>New topic: Invoking Lambda</u> <u>functions in an App Studio</u> <u>app</u>	Added a short tutorial detailing how to invoke Lambda functions in an App Studio app. For more information, see <u>Invoking</u> Lambda functions.	January 24, 2025
<u>New topic: Connect to</u> <u>Amazon SES</u>	Added instructions for creating an Amazon SES connector to use the service in App Studio apps. For more information, see <u>Connect to</u> <u>Amazon Simple Email Service</u> .	January 16, 2025
Updated topic: Creating and setting up an App Studio instance for the first time	Added instructions for using the easy create method to create an App Studio instance to more quickly get started. For more information, see <u>Creating and setting up an</u> <u>App Studio instance for the</u> <u>first time</u> .	December 13, 2024

New topic: Best practices for managing data dependencies and timing issues	Added documentation about gracefully managing data dependencies and timing issues in App Studio apps. For more information, see <u>Data</u> <u>dependencies and timing</u> <u>considerations</u> .	November 20, 2024
<u>Updated topics: Editing your</u> app with AI	Added documentation with information about editing your app using the AI chat in the application studio. For more information, see <u>Building your App Studio app</u> with generative AI.	November 18, 2024
<u>Updated topic: Use AI to</u> generate JavaScript for you	Updated the JavaScript automation action reference to include information about using AI to generate JavaScrip t for you. For more informati on, see <u>JavaScript automation</u> action.	November 18, 2024
<u>Updated topic: Build an AI</u> <u>text summarizer app with</u> <u>Amazon Bedrock</u>	Updated the Amazon Bedrock prompt tutorial to use the newly released <b>GenAl Prompt</b> action. For more informati on, see <u>Build an Al text</u> <u>summarizer app with Amazon</u> <u>Bedrock</u> .	November 18, 2024

<u>New topic: Change your app's</u> <u>colors with app themes</u>	Added a topic with informati on about changing the colors in your app using app themes. For more information, see <u>Change colors in your app</u> with app themes.	November 18, 2024
<u>New topic: Data model best</u> <u>practices</u>	Added a topic with best practices for creating secure, robust, and scalable data models for use in App Studio apps. For more informati on, see <u>Best practices when</u> <u>designing data models</u> .	November 15, 2024
<u>Updated topics: Connecting</u> to AWS services	Updated the trust policies to include sts:ExternalId , which is required for IAM roles used to create connectors to AWS services. For more information, see <u>Connect to</u> <u>AWS services</u> .	November 13, 2024
New topic: Roll back or revert to a previously published app version	Added a topic with informati on about rolling back or reverting an application to a previously published version. For more information, see <u>Rolling back to a previously</u> published version.	November 13, 2024

<u>New topic: Delete an App</u> <u>Studio instance</u>	Added a topic that includes information about deleting an App Studio instance, including instructions for how to delete one. For more information, see <u>Deleting an App Studio</u> <u>instance</u> .	November 12, 2024
<u>New topic: Updating app</u> <u>content security settings</u>	Added a topic that includes information about app content security settings in App Studio, including how to update them. For more information, see <u>Viewing or</u> <u>updating your app's content</u> <u>security settings</u> .	November 8, 2024
<u>Updated topics: Security in</u> <u>AWS App Studio</u>	Expanded the security documentation, including information about data protection and how App Studio interacts with IAM. For more information, see Security in AWS App Studio.	November 6, 2024
<u>Updated topic: Quotas in AWS</u> <u>App Studio</u>	Updated the App Studio service quotas and limits documentation to fix incorrect values and remove some quotas. For more information, see <u>Quotas in</u> <u>AWS App Studio</u> .	October 21, 2024

<u>Updated topics: Connectin</u> <u>g App Studio to other AWS</u> <u>services</u>	Updated the documenta tion for connecting to AWS services to better adhere to best security practices by providing instructions and examples for giving App Studio minimal necessary permissions to the services or resources. For more informati on, see <u>Connect to AWS</u> <u>services</u> .	October 18, 2024
Updated topic: Added version support to the Aurora connector documentation	Added a list of supported versions to the Aurora connector documentation. For more information, see <u>Connect to Amazon Aurora</u> .	October 16, 2024
<u>New topic: Supported</u> browsers for App Studio	Added a topic that includes browser support and recommendations for using App Studio. For more information, see <u>Supported</u> <u>browsers</u> .	October 10, 2024
<u>New topic: How AWS App</u> <u>Studio works</u>	Added a topic that walks through key concepts of app development in App Studio, including diagrams and screenshots. For more information, see <u>How App</u> <u>Studio works</u> .	October 10, 2024

<u>New topic: Ordering and</u> organizing pages	Added a topic that includes information about reordering and hiding or showing pages in the navigation of a preview or published app. For more information, see <u>Ordering and</u> <u>organizing pages</u> .	September 24, 2024
<u>New topic: Quotas in AWS</u> <u>App Studio</u>	Added a topic that includes the service quotas and limits related to App Studio. For more information, see <u>Quotas</u> <u>in AWS App Studio</u> .	September 11, 2024
<u>Updated topic: Connect to</u> <u>encrypted DynamoDB tables</u>	Added information, such as required permissions, to use DynamoDB tables encrypted with AWS KMS customer-managed keys (CMKs) with App Studio. For more information, see <u>Connect to DynamoDB</u> .	September 6, 2024
<u>Updated topics: Connect to</u> <u>DynamoDB, Amazon Redshift,</u> <u>and Aurora</u>	Added the minimum required permissions to add to an IAM role to use DynamoDB, Amazon Redshift, and Aurora resources with App Studio apps. For more information, see <u>Connect to AWS services</u> .	September 5, 2024

<u>Updated topic: Connect to</u> <u>Amazon Aurora</u>	Updated the documentation for creating and configuring Amazon Aurora databases and tables for use with App Studio apps. For more information, see <u>Connect to</u> <u>Amazon Aurora</u> .	September 5, 2024
New and updated topics: Troubleshooting and debugging	Expanded the troublesh ooting and debugging documentation to help resolve common issues with App Studio, including debugging information for building applications. For more information, see <u>Troubleshooting and</u> <u>debugging App Studio</u> .	August 26, 2024
<u>New topic: Tutorial: Build an</u> <u>AI text summarizer app with</u> <u>Amazon Bedrock</u>	Follow steps in the tutorial to build an app that takes in an input prompt from end users, sends it to Amazon Bedrock and returns and displays summarized version. For more information, see <u>Build an AI</u> <u>text summarizer app with</u> <u>Amazon Bedrock</u> .	August 20, 2024

Updated topics: Previewing, publishing, and sharing App Studio apps	Expanded the previewin g, publishing, and sharing documentation to add clarity, match the experience in the service, and provide additiona l information around the publishing environments and viewing apps in them. For more information, see <u>Previewing, publishing, and</u> sharing applications.	August 2, 2024
<u>New topic: Building an app</u> <u>with multiple users</u>	Expanded the previewin g, publishing, and sharing documentation to add clarity, match the experience in the service, and provide additiona l information around the publishing environments and viewing apps in them. For more information, see <u>Building an app with multiple</u> <u>users</u> .	August 2, 2024
<u>Updated topic: Connecting</u> <u>App Studio to AWS services</u>	Added information about creating and providing IAM roles for providing access to AWS resources when creating an <b>Other AWS services</b> connector. For more informati on, see <u>Connect to AWS</u> <u>services using the Other AWS</u> services connector.	July 29, 2024

Updated topic: Add instructi ons for creating an AWS administrative user as part of setting up	Added instructions in the setting up App Studio documentation to create an administrative user for managing AWS resources. Also made updates throughou t the connector documenta tion to recommend using that user.	July 24, 2024
<u>New topic: Connect to</u> <u>Amazon Bedrock</u>	Added a topic with instructi ons for creating a connector for Amazon Bedrock. Builders can use the connector to build apps that use Amazon Bedrock. For more informati on, see <u>Connect to Amazon</u> <u>Bedrock</u> .	July 24, 2024
Initial release	Initial release of the AWS App Studio User Guide	July 10, 2024