

# Best Practices

## Performance Optimization

**Limit the region:** Restrict the lambda to the smallest area necessary to reduce compute cost and time

**Efficient algorithms:** Use vectorized operations where possible for better performance

**Memory management:** Be mindful of memory usage when processing large datasets

## Development Workflow

**Test on a sample:** Validate your code on a small subset before running it on the full dataset

**Incremental development:** Start with simple logic and gradually add complexity

**Error handling:** Include proper error handling for robust execution

## Resource Management

**Reuse templates:** Start with VoxelSpace's built-in lambdas for common tasks; modify them rather than writing from scratch

**Queue awareness:** Plan your processing and lambda jobs to avoid long queues, especially on the free tier where concurrency is limited

**Monitor usage:** Track your compute usage to stay within plan limits

## Debugging and Validation

**Use logs:** Include log statements in your lambda to help diagnose issues and verify intermediate results

**Validate inputs:** Check that your data has the expected properties before processing

**Test edge cases:** Consider what happens with empty regions, missing properties, or extreme values

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