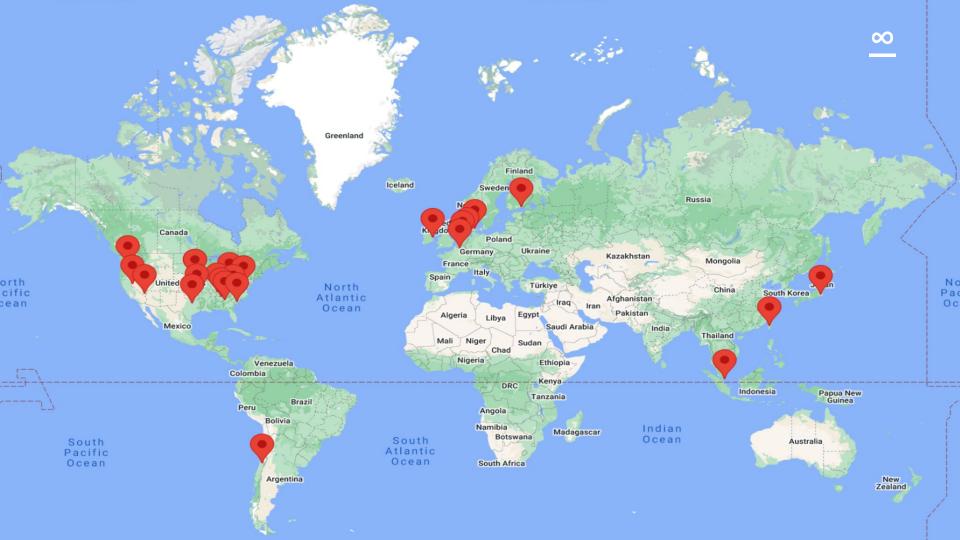
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High Level Overview



St. Ghislain, Belgium



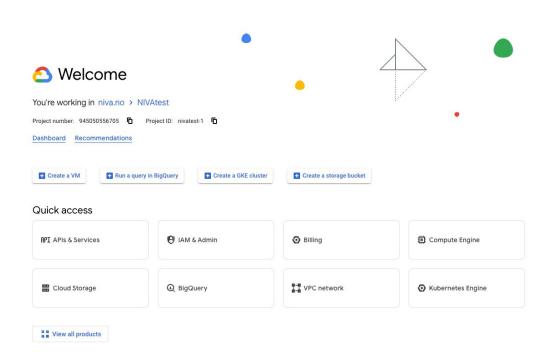
GCP Geographical Hierarchy

- "Region"
 - An independent data center in a specific geographical location, e.g. St. Ghislain, Belgium
 - Regions are referenced by codes
 - Example: europe-west1 (= St. Ghislain)
- "Zone"
 - An independent part of the Region that can fail independently without affecting the other Zones
 - Example: europe-west1-c

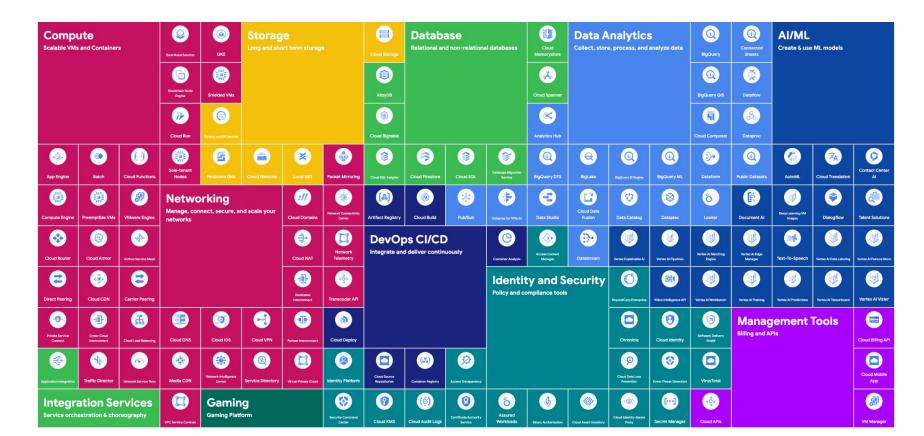
Resources in different zones/regions reduce the risk of outage at the risk of at the expense of increased latency

How to interact with GCP

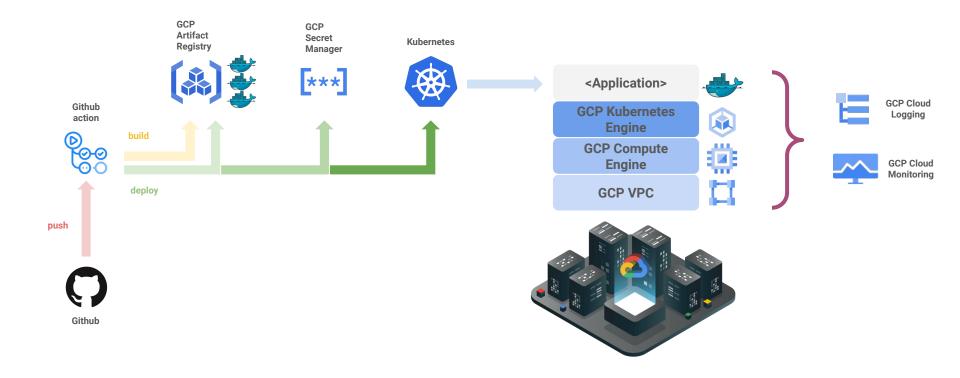
- Command line gcloud
 - a. Examples:
 - i. gcloud config list
 - ii. gcloud storage buckets create gs://my-bucket
- 2. Cloud Console
- 3. API



GCP Services Overview •

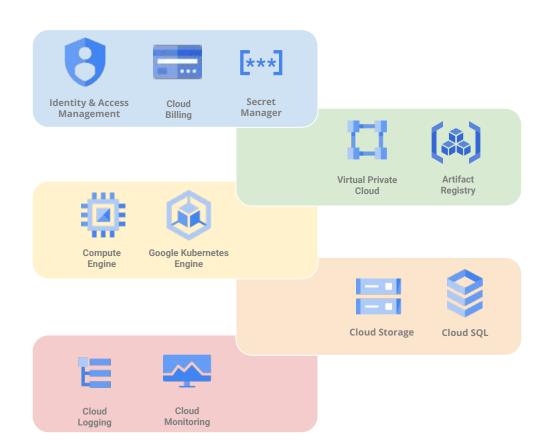


The typical CI/CD pipeline at Niva



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1. Management



[1a] Identity and Access Management



IAM manages Accounts, Roles and Permissions

- The concept of Account is associated to "Principals", the WHO in GCP user management
 - Principals are identified by an email, and a Principal can be:
 - User
 - Service Account
 - Group
- Roles are collections of permissions. A Policy assigns Roles to Principals to give Principals specific permission, the WHAT in GCP user management
 - There are three different typology of of Roles:
 - Basic (legacy and not recommended)
 - Predefined (GCP defined, good in most cases)
 - Custom (user-defined)

Resource Hierarchy

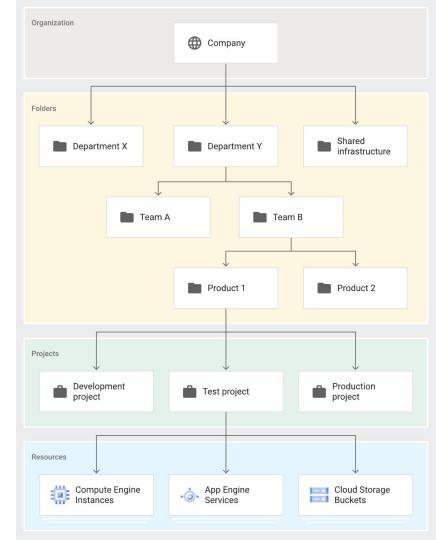
- Principals/Roles are inherited top-to-bottom.
- Bottom elements can add additional Roles (but they cannot remove a Role)

In our infrastructure, you will in most cases deal with resources in the Projects:

- nivatest-1
- nivaprod-1

And perhaps:

niva-cd



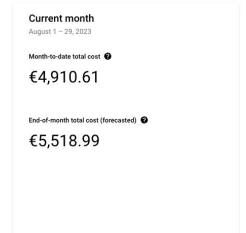
[1b] Billing



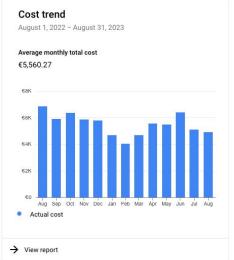


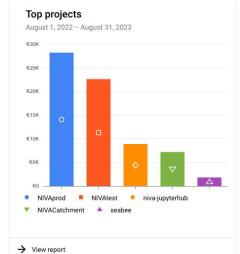
Collection of tools to track GCP spending and optimize costs

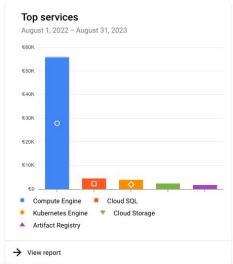
Contains both historical information and prediction of future cost based on the current state



→ View report







[1c] Secret Manager *** **







The Secret Manager safely stores and manages secrets as binary blobs or text strings.

With the appropriate permissions, it is possible to view the contents of the secret.

Secrets are scoped at the project level

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	aquamonitor-api-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	9/29/21, 1:00 PM	Never	:
	chemistry-qc-secret	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	3/22/23, 3:30 PM	Never	:
	ferrybox-extractor-secret	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	6/15/23, 2:35 PM	Never	:
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	labware-dashboard-secret	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	2/27/23, 1:57 PM	Never	:
	loggers-extractor	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	8/10/22, 8:53 AM	Never	:
	loggers-extractor-omc	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	9/15/22, 2:22 PM	Never	:
	loggers-extractor-ydoc	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	11/22/22, 3:43 PM	Never	:
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	observations-api-db-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	9/29/21, 1:31 PM	Never	:
	observations-api-oauth2-secrets	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	3/25/22, 11:49 AM	Never	:
	observations-api-observations-db-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	11/2/21, 9:53 AM	Never	:
	observations-db-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	9/30/21, 9:33 AM	Never	:
	observations-kafka-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	9/29/21, 1:34 PM	Never	:
	odm2-api-credentials	Automatically replicated	Google-managed	None	4/8/22, 1:28 PM	Never	:
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2. CI/CD & Networking



[2b] Artifact Registry [♣] ∞



Central storage of artifacts, similar to a cloud bucket

It is deployed in *niva-cd*, which is reachable from both *nivatest-1* and *nivaprod-1*

Big majority of the artifact is a Docker image embedded in our deployment pipeline

Repository Details

Format	Docker		
Туре	Standard		

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	Nov 25, 2022	Aug 14, 2023
	Mar 15, 2022	Apr 18, 2023
	Oct 17, 2022	Aug 14, 2023
	Mar 1, 2022	Mar 17, 2022
documentation	Mar 31, 2022	Jun 22, 2023
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	Mar 30, 2023	Jul 12, 2023
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[2a] Virtual Private Cloud

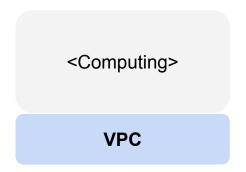


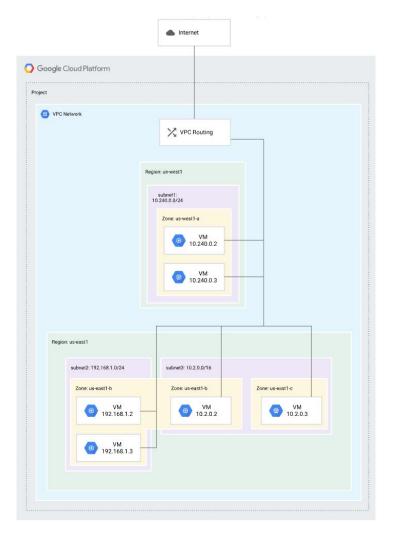
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Virtual Private Clouds are network abstractions to isolate different cloud tenants. By default, GCP VPCs are global

VPC networks manage the IP addresses and implement configurable virtual firewalls

VPCs provide the underlying networking functionality for computing resources (more later)





3. Computation



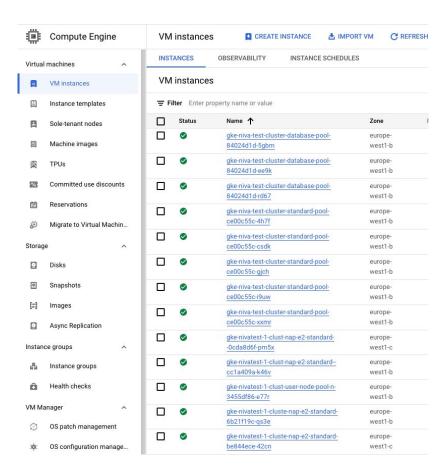
[3a] Compute Engine



GCP service for managing and deploying VMs

- Availability models:
 - Standard vs <u>spot machines</u>
- Machine families:
 - General purpose
 - Compute optimized
 - Memory optimized
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Compute Engine
VPC

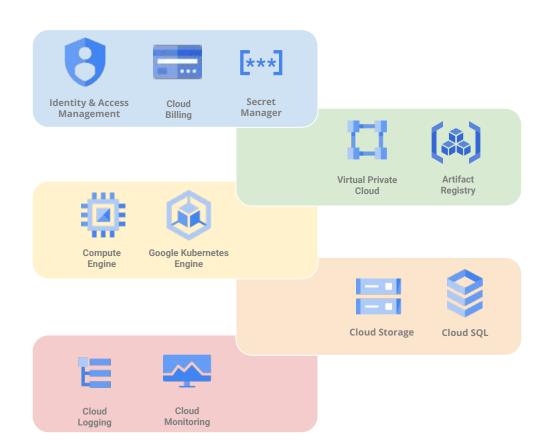


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[3b] Kubernetes Engine



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Google KE is a managed Kubernetes service. Kubernetes is a complex and mature framework to orchestrate the deployment of containerized applications

Clusters: groups of machines acting as Kubernetes workers

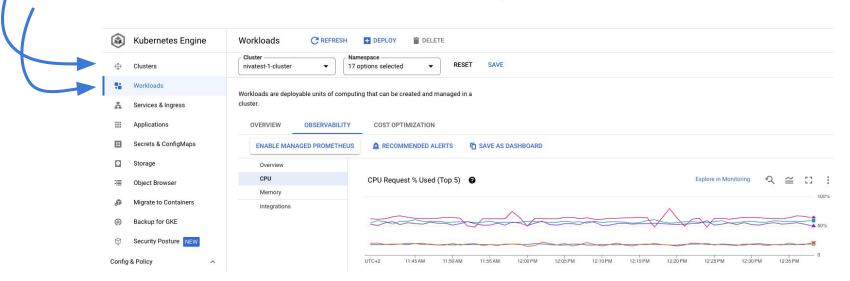
Workloads: collection of Kubernetes components running on the cluster

<Application>

Kubernetes Engine

Compute Engine

VPC



4. Storage



[4a] Cloud Storage



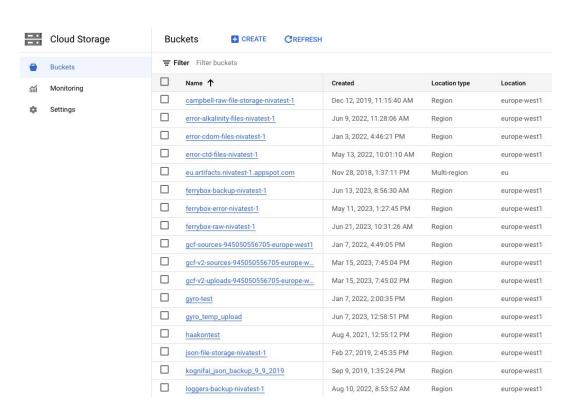
Service for storing unstructured data: files, images, videos etc.

Buckets have a geographic location

Based on the predicted number of accesses, it is possible to select different storage classes:

- Standard
- Nearline
- Coldline
- Archive

Buckets can have fine-grained access control with Access Control Lists (ACLs)





Google SQL is a managed relational DB service for:

- Postgres
- MySQL
- SQL Server

The number of available extension is restricted by GCP

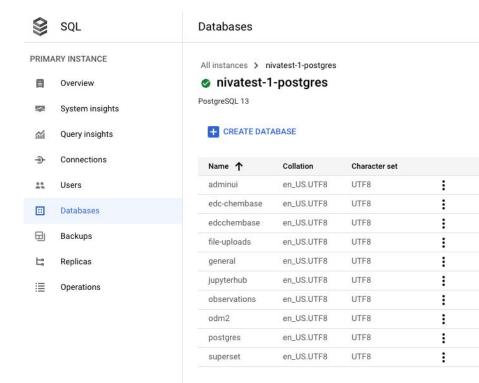
Timescale for time series handling X



PostGIS for geographic data

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Data backup and replication is automated

5. Operations



[5a] Logging





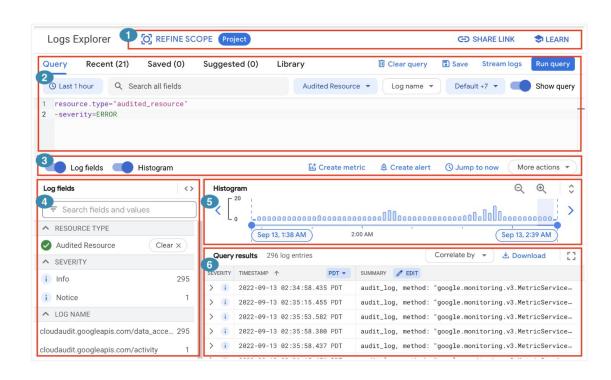
Centralized dashboards and tools to retrieve, view, and analyze log data

Log navigation is done through a simplified query language

Selected features:

- Shareable link
- Filtering capabilities
- **Custom alerts**

Logs a kept for a limited time known as the retention period

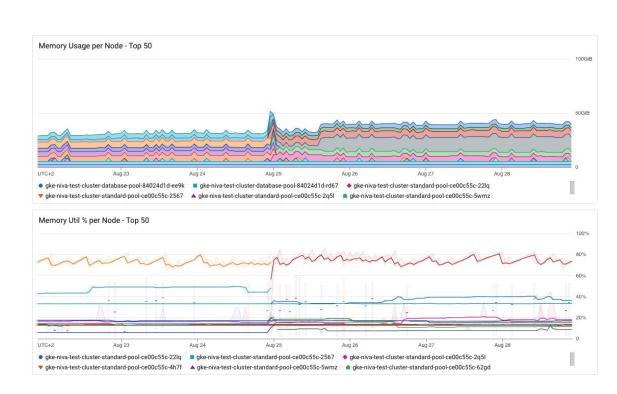


[5b] Monitoring 🗪 👱

Centralized dashboards and tools to retrieve and visualize system metrics. Monitoring features are integrated in individual services as well

Features:

Custom alerts





Extra

Example: gcloud <u>∞</u>

Goal: create a bucket, make it public and access the content over the internet

```
gcloud storage buckets create gs://BUCKET_NAME/ --uniform-bucket-level-access --project=nivatest-1 --location=europe-west1
gcloud storage buckets add-iam-policy-binding gs://BUCKET_NAME/ --member=allUsers --role=roles/storage.objectViewer
gcloud storage cp squirrel.jpeg gs://BUCKET_NAME
```

Example: Pulumi 👱

Goal: create a bucket, make it public and access the content over the internet

```
import * as pulumi from "@pulumi/pulumi";
import * as qcp from "@pulumi/qcp";
// Create a GCP resource (Storage Bucket)
const bucket : Bucket = new gcp.storage.Bucket("create-bucket", {

    location: "europe-west1",
    name: "pulumi-gen-bucket"
});
// Make the bucket public by adjusting IAM policy
const publicReadBinding:BucketIAMMember = new gcp.storage.BucketIAMMember("public-read", +
    bucket: bucket.name,
    role: "roles/storage.objectViewer",
    member: "allUsers",
});
const file: BucketObject = new qcp.storage.BucketObject("upload-file", {
    bucket: bucket.name,
    // replace this with the path to your source file
    source: new pulumi.asset.FileAsset( path: "./dog.jpg"),
});
// Export the DNS name of the bucket
export const bucketName : pulumi.Output<string> = bucket.url;
export const fileUrl:pulumi.Output<string> = file.selfLink;
```