Assignment 1, Cloud Computing

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Exercise 1: Understanding Cloud Computing Models

• **Objective**: Explore different cloud computing models and understand their key differences.

Steps:

- Research the three primary cloud service models: Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), and Software as a Service (SaaS).
- Create a table comparing these models in terms of control, flexibility, and use cases.
- Identify examples of services offered by Google Cloud Platform (GCP) under each model.

Questions:

What are the main differences between laaS, PaaS, and SaaS?

laaS or Infrastructure as a Service provides virtualized computing resources over the internet and is particularly useful for custom hardware setups. Meanwhile, PaaS or Platform as a Service allows users to manage applications without having to address the underlying infrastructure. PaaS is perfect for quickly building and deploying apps. On the other hand, SaaS or Software as a Service requires a subscription to access software features over the internet. SaaS offers the least control, as the provider manages everything, making it ideal for collaboration tools.

Which GCP services fall under each of these models?

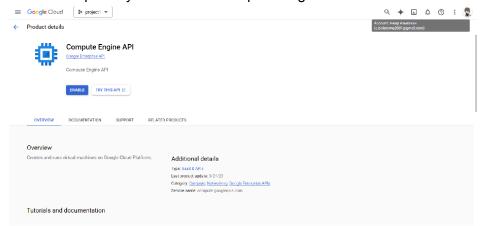
In the context of Google Cloud Platform, these models are well represented. For **laaS**, services such as Google Compute Engine and Google Cloud Storage are prominent. In the **PaaS** category, Google App Engine and Google Cloud Functions cater to application development needs. In the **SaaS** realm, Google Workspace—including tools like Gmail and Google Docs—provides convenient solutions for everyday tasks.

 Provide a real-world example where each cloud service model might be the most appropriate choice.

Lets illustrate these concepts with real-world examples. If someone starts a new company and needed a custom server for an application then they would likely choose Google Compute Engine. Google App Engine would be the best option for working on a web app who want to focus on coding instead of server management. And for daily tasks like managing emails and collaborating with a team, subscribing to Google Workspace would be a best choice, as it requires no maintenance from the user.

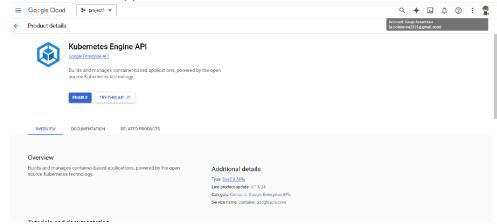
Exercise 2: Exploring Google Cloud Platform's Core Services

- Objective: Get acquainted with the core services provided by Google Cloud Platform.
- Steps:
 - Access the Google Cloud Console and navigate to the list of GCP services.
 - Explore and describe the purpose of the following core services:
 - · Compute Engine
 - Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)
 - App Engine
 - Cloud Storage
 - BigQuery
 - For each service, identify a potential use case in a business scenario.
- Questions:
 - What is the primary use case of Compute Engine?



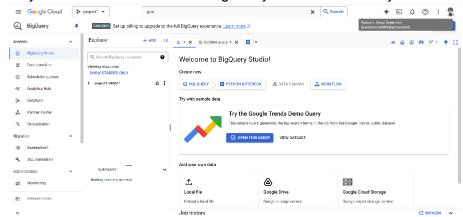
the primary use case of Compute Engine is to offer scalable and customizable virtual machines for different tasks. Businesses can use it to run applications, host websites, or handle batch processing. It's especially helpful for companies that want the flexibility to adjust their virtual machines according to specific needs, like CPU, memory, and storage options.

 How does Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) simplify the management of containerized applications?



Google Kubernetes Engine simplifies the management of containerized applications by automating many tasks related to deployment and scaling. It handles load balancing, scaling, and monitoring, allowing

- developers to focus more on building their apps instead of worrying about the infrastructure. Also, it automates updates and health checks, making the entire process more efficient.
- What advantages does Cloud Storage offer for data management?
 Cloud Storage offers several benefits for managing data. It is highly scalable allowing users to store and access almost unlimited amounts of data without the
 fear of running out of space. It also provides high durability and availability,
 which automatically copying data across multiple locations. Another advantage
 is accessibility users can reach their data from anywhere on the internet,
 making sharing and collaboration easy. Also it is cost-effective, with different
 pricing options that help businesses find what fits their budget and needs best.
- Why would a business choose BigQuery for their data analysis needs?



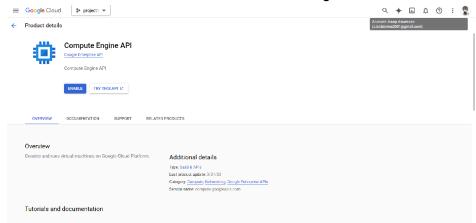
A business choose BigQuery for data analysis because it can quickly and efficiently manage large datasets. As a fully managed data warehouse, it enables real-time analytics and fast SQL queries, allowing companies to gain insights without handling complex infrastructure. Its integration with other Google Cloud services and support for machine learning make it an excellent option for businesses that want to use data for better decision making.

Exercise 3: Creating and Managing Virtual Machines with Compute Engine

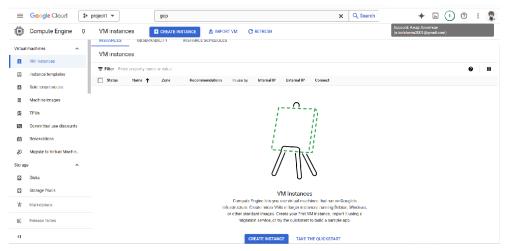
- **Objective**: Learn how to create, manage, and interact with virtual machines (VMs) using Compute Engine.
- Steps:
 - In the Google Cloud Console, navigate to Compute Engine and create a new VM instance.
 - Configure the VM with specific parameters, such as the machine type, region, and operating system.
 - Connect to the VM using SSH and install a basic web server (e.g., Apache or Nginx).
 - Stop, start, and delete the VM through the console.
- Questions:

What steps did you follow to create the VM? To create a VM instance in Google Cloud Console, I navigated to the Compute Engine

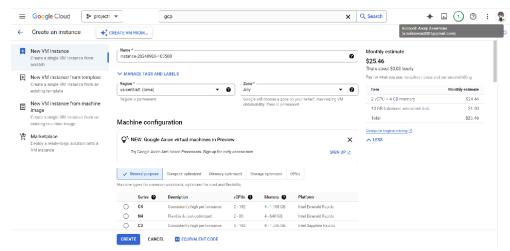
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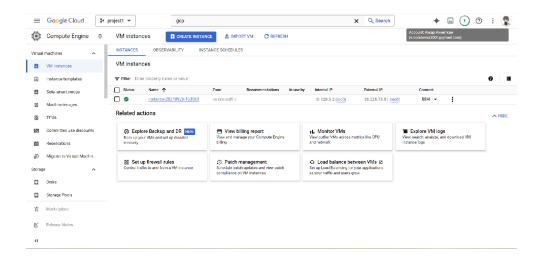
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I then configured the VM by selecting the machine type, choosing the region, and picking the operating system I wanted to use. After confirming the settings, I clicked on the "Create" button to launch the VM.

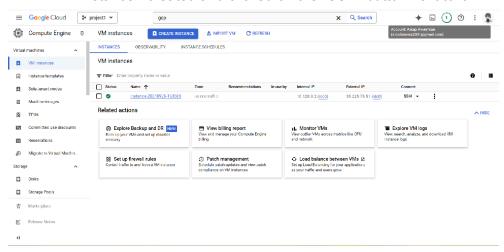


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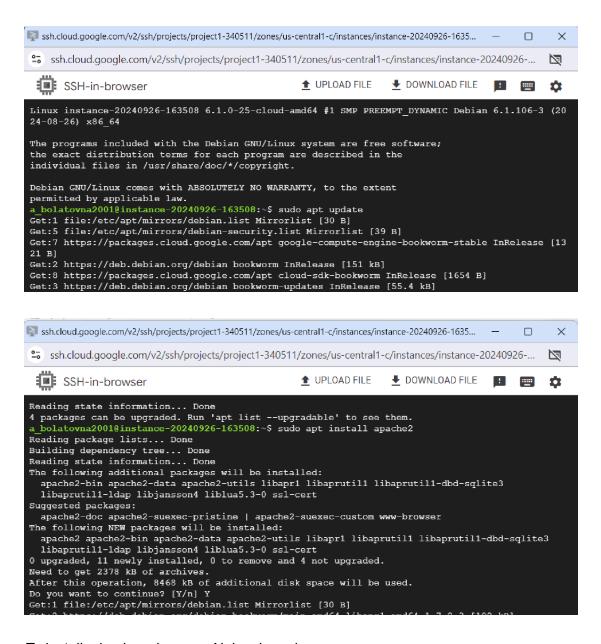
 How did you connect to the VM, and what commands did you use to install the web server?

To connect to the VM, I used SSH. In the Google Cloud Console, I found the VM instance I created and clicked on the "SSH" button next to it.



This opened a terminal window where I could run commands. To install a basic web server Apache, i used

- --sudo apt update
- --sudo apt install apache2



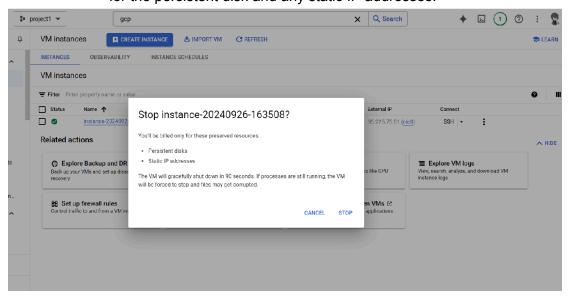
To install a basic web server Nginx, i used

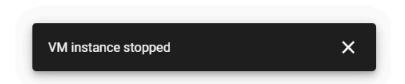
- --sudo apt update
- --sudo apt install nginx

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stemd/system/apache-htcacheclean.service
Processing triggers for man-db (2.11.2-2) ..
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.36-9+deb12u8) ...
a_bolatovna2001@instance-20240926-163508:~$ sudo apt update
Get:1 file:/etc/apt/mirrors/debian.list Mirrorlist [30 B]
Get:2 file:/etc/apt/mirrors/debian-security.list Mirrorlist [39 B]
Hit:7 https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt google-compute-engine-bookworm-stable InRelease
Hit:8 https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt cloud-sdk-bookworm InRelease
Hit:3 https://deb.debian.org/debian bookworm InRelease
Hit:4 https://deb.debian.org/debian bookworm-updates InRelease
Hit:5 https://deb.debian.org/debian bookworm-backports InRelease
Hit:6 https://deb.debian.org/debian-security bookworm-security InRelease
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
4 packages can be upgraded. Run 'apt list --upgradable' to see them.
a_bolatovna2001@instance-20240926-163508:~$
Reading state information... Done
4 packages can be upgraded. Run 'apt list --upgradable' to see them.
a bolatovna2001@instance-20240926-163508:~$ sudo apt install nginx
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
 nginx-common
Suggested packages:
 fcgiwrap nginx-doc
The following NEW packages will be installed:
 nginx nginx-common
0 upgraded, 2 newly installed, 0 to remove and 4 not upgraded.
Need to get 640 kB of archives.
After this operation, 1696 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] Y
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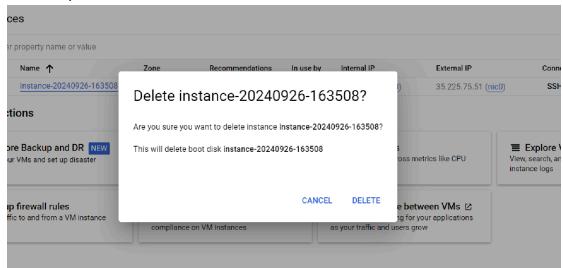
 What happens to the VM and its data when it is stopped versus when it is deleted?

When the VM is stopped, it keeps all its data and settings, so it can be started again later. While the VM is stopped, You won't be charged for the resources while the VM is stopped, but you may still have charges for the persistent disk and any static IP addresses.





If the VM is deleted, all data on it is permanently lost, including any installed software and settings. However, if the data was saved on a separate persistent disk, that disk can be kept for future use.



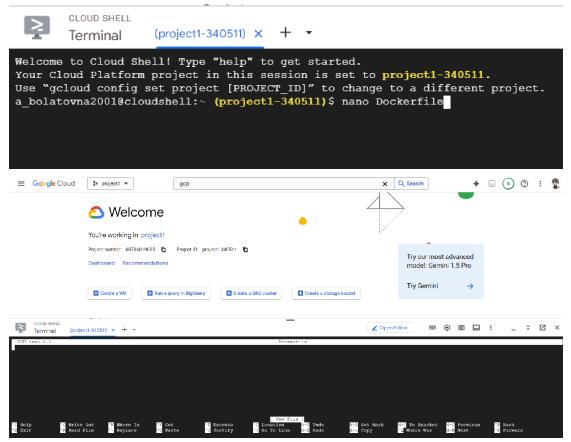
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Exercise 4: Deploying a Containerized Application on Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)

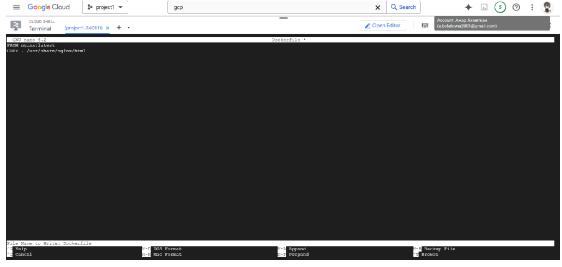
- **Objective**: Understand how to deploy and manage containerized applications using Google Kubernetes Engine.
- Steps:
 - Create a simple Docker container for a web application.
 - Push the container image to Google Container Registry (GCR).
 - Create a GKE cluster in Google Cloud Console.
 - Deploy the containerized application to the GKE cluster.
 - Expose the application to the internet and verify its accessibility.

Questions:

How did you create and push the Docker container to GCR?
 I opened the Terminal, using Google Cloud Shell, open it from the Google Cloud Console and use a text editor nano in the terminal to create a Dockerfile.

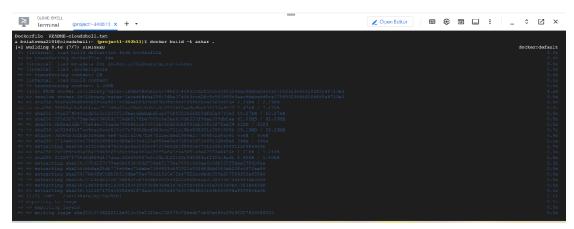


Write the necessary instructions simple web application using Nginx in the Dockerfile and save it with pressing Ctrl + O



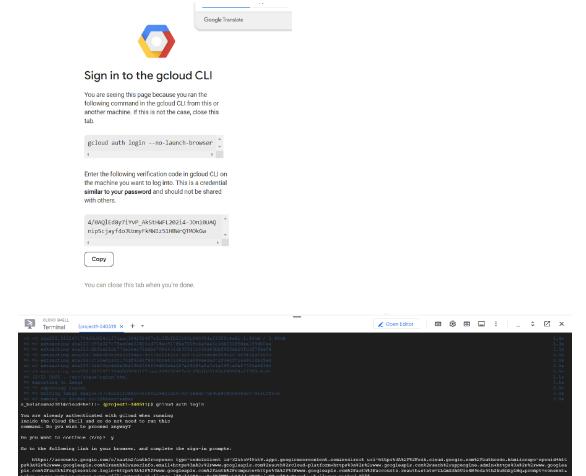
After saving, pressed Ctrl + X to exit the Nano editor and proceeded to build Docker image "azhar" by running the following command in the terminal:

--docker build -t azhar .



Next step was authenticate with Google Cloud, still in the terminal, I logged in to Google Cloud account and get window with password:

--gcloud auth login

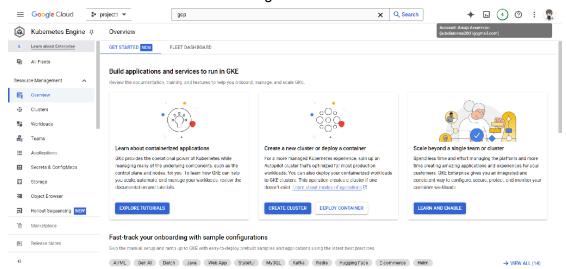


Using the terminal I tagged image for Google Container Registry and finally, pushed tagged image to Google Container Registry by commands below:

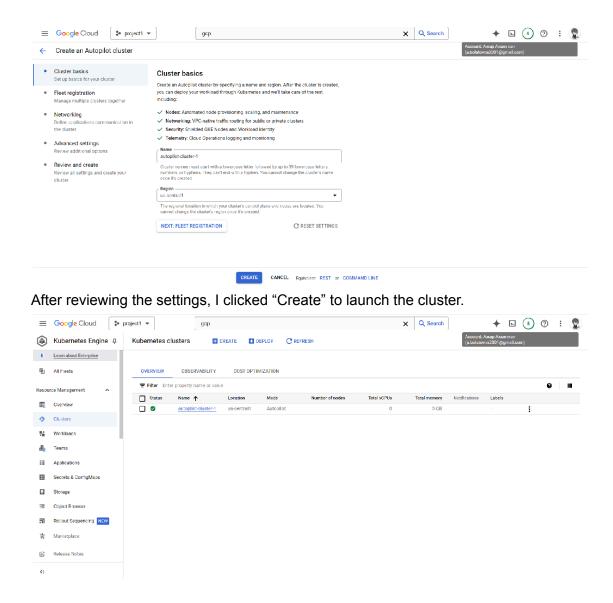
- --docker tag azhar gcr.io/340511/azhar
- --docker push gcr.io/340511/azhar

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Once finished, enter the verification code provided in your browser: 4/0AQlEd8y7iYvP_AkStHWFI
You are now logged in as [a.bolatovna2001@gmail.com].
Your current project is [project1-340511]. You can change this setting by running:
$ gcloud config set project PROJECT_ID
a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)$ docker tag azhar gcr.io/340511/azhar
a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)$ docker push gcr.io/340511/azhar
Using default tag: latest
The push refers to repository [gcr.io/340511/azhar]
41be875c576e: Preparing
11de3d47036d: Preparing
16907864a2d0: Preparing
2bdf51597158: Preparing
0fc6bb94eec5: Preparing
edal3eb24d4c: Waiting
67796e30ff04: Waiting
8923h394f5hf; Waiting
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What steps were involved in setting up the GKE cluster?
 To set up the GKE cluster, I navigated to the Google Cloud Console and selected Kubernetes Engine. I clicked on "Create Cluster"



configured the settings, such as choosing the cluster type, specifying the number of nodes, and selecting the region.



 How did you verify that your application was successfully deployed and accessible?

Open terminal Google Cloud Shell and I connected to GKE cluster gcloud container clusters get-credentials autopilot-cluster-1 --region us-central1 --project project1-340511

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After running the command, I checked the current context *kubectl config current-context*:

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a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511) $ kubectl config current-context gke_project1-340511_us-central1_autopilot-cluster-1 a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511) $
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Used the command

kubectl create deployment azhardeployment --image=gcr.io/340511/azhar to create a new deployment

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a bolatoma2001&cloudshell: project1-1405115 kubectl create deployment athardsployment --image=pcr.io/340511/ashar 

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}
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To see the status of your deployments,I runned:

kubectl get deployments

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a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511) $ kubect1 get deployments

NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE

azhardeployment 0/1 1 0 3m38s

a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511) $
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Next, I checked the service associated with application to see how it's exposed to the internet.

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a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)$ kubectl get services

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

kubernetes ClusterIP 34.118.224.1 <none> 443/TCP 62m

a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)$
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I identified that it is ClusterIP: This type is only accessible within the cluster and won't work for external access. So i decided create new service with LoadBalancer.

kubectl expose deployment azhardeployment --type=LoadBalancer --name=kubernetes2 --port=80 --target-port=8080

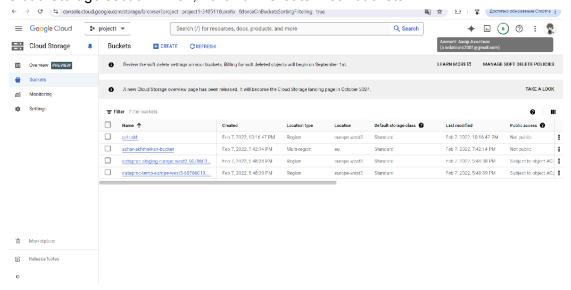
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a2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)  kube
ibernetes2 exposed
a2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)  $
                                   ctl expose deployment azhardeployment --type=LoadBalancer --name=kubernetes2 --port=80 --target-port=8080
Check again services and get kubernetes2
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 a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511) $ kubectl get services
                                 CLUSTER-IP
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 a_bolatovna2001@cloudshell:~ (project1-340511)$
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So my external IP is 34.41.112.201 and can use to access application.

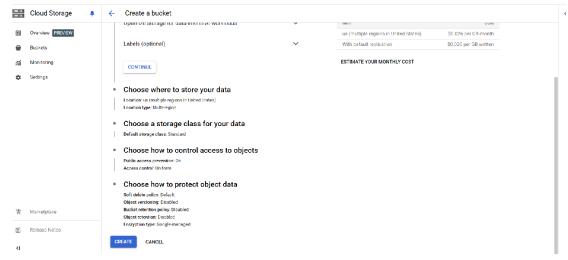
Exercise 5: Storing and Accessing Data in Google Cloud Storage

- Objective: Learn how to store, manage, and access data using Google Cloud Storage.
- Steps:
 - Create a new Cloud Storage bucket in the Google Cloud Console.
 - Upload various types of files (e.g., text, images, videos) to the bucket.
 - Set access permissions for the bucket and test public and private access to the files.
 - Use the Cloud Console to download, move, and delete files in the bucket.
- Questions:
 - How do you create a Cloud Storage bucket, and what options are available during setup?

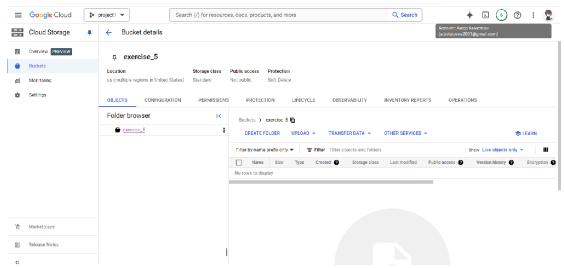
To create a Cloud Storage bucket, I go to the Google Cloud Console and navigate to the Cloud Storage section. Then, I click on "Create" near buckets.



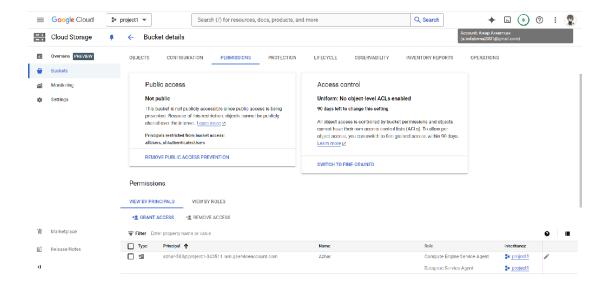
Set upped my bucket, choosing a unique name for my bucket, select a location and pick a storage class and decide on the access control method. Clicked create.



And got exercise 5 bucket:



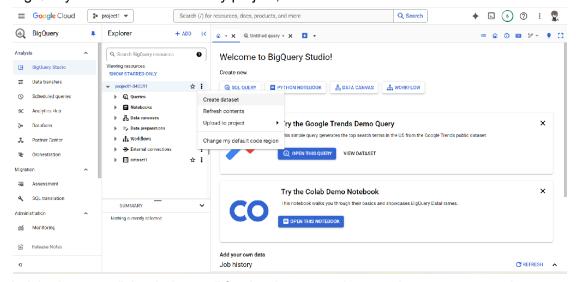
- What are the differences between setting a bucket to public versus private?
 Setting a bucket to public means anyone on the internet can access its files without needing authentication, which is great for sharing things widely. But a private bucket restricts access, so only people with the right permissions can view or download the files. This is important if I have sensitive data that shouldn't be accessible to everyone.
- How can you manage access permissions for individual files in a bucket?
 To manage access for individual files, I can select the file in the Cloud Console
 and go to the Permissions tab. From there, I can add or remove users, groups,
 or service accounts, and specify what roles they have, like Viewer or Editor. This
 way, I can control who can see or modify each file separately.



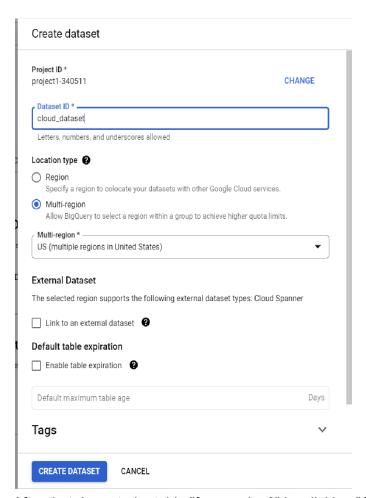
Exercise 6: Analyzing Data with BigQuery

- Objective: Perform data analysis tasks using BigQuery.
- Steps:
 - Access BigQuery in the Google Cloud Console.
 - Create a dataset and table by importing a sample dataset provided by Google.
 - Write and execute SQL queries to perform basic data analysis, such as filtering, aggregation, and sorting.
 - Visualize the results using Google Data Studio or another visualization tool.
- Questions:
- What steps did you take to create a dataset and table in BigQuery?

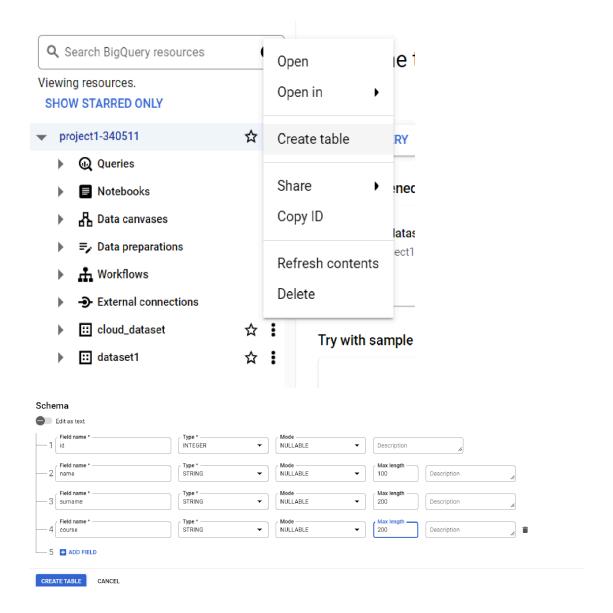
To create a dataset in BigQuery, I first logged into the Google Cloud Console and went to the BigQuery section. I clicked on my project, then hit "Create Dataset."



I picked a name "cloud_dataset" for the dataset and set up the necessary options.

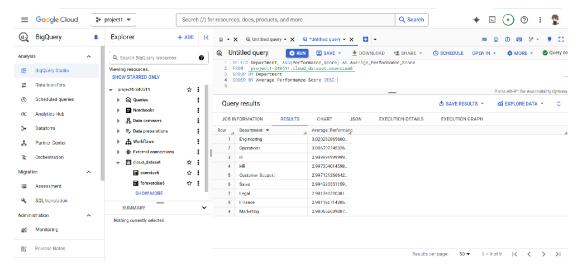


After that, I created a table "forexercise6" by clicking "Create Table,"

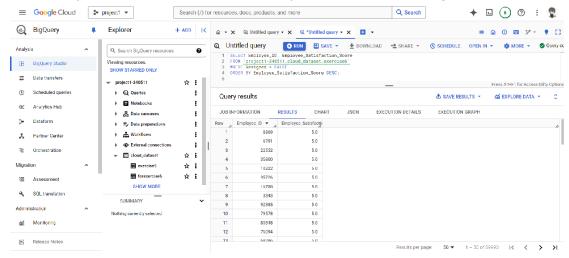


How did you write and execute SQL queries in BigQuery?

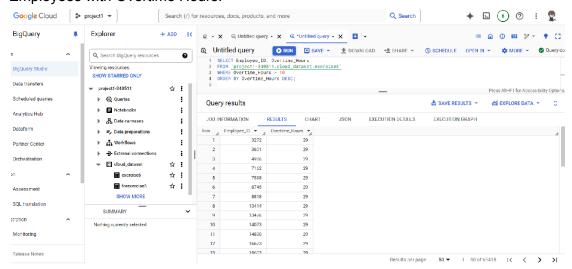
I wrote SQL queries in the BigQuery editor. After selecting my dataset and table, I typed out the queries I wanted to run and clicked the "Run" button. I used commands to filter the data, do some aggregations, and sort the results based on what I needed to analyze. average performance score for each department:



the employee satisfaction scores for employees who have not resigned:



Employees with Overtime Hours:



• What insights were you able to derive from the data analysis?

From my analysis, I found a few key insights. First, the average performance score was highest in the IT department, suggesting they might have better support or engagement. Second, employees with more training hours had higher satisfaction scores, showing that training is important for keeping employees happy. Finally, many employees working significant overtime were in high-demand roles, which might indicate they are overloaded. This suggests that the company should consider balancing workloads to prevent burnout.