# **Cloud Computing**

Assignment 3

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## Introduction

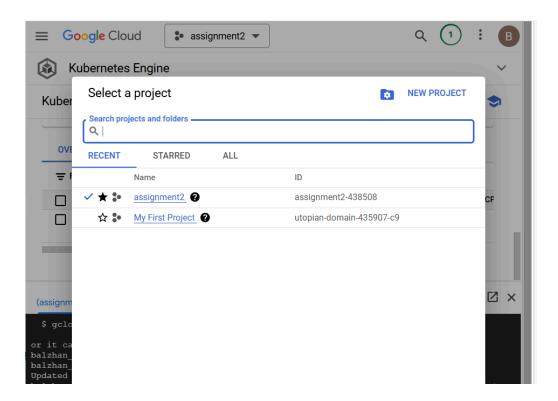
In this set of exercises, we will explore essential components of Google Cloud Platform (GCP) that are critical for building, managing, and securing cloud applications. We will focus on Identity and Access Management (IAM), Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE), App Engine, and Cloud Functions. Through practical tasks, we will learn how to manage user access and permissions using IAM, deploy containerized applications on GKE, and create serverless applications using App Engine and Cloud Functions. These tools are essential for cloud computing and application development as they help ensure security, scalability, and efficient resource management.

IAM allows us to control access to resources by assigning roles to different users, while GKE helps us manage containerized applications in a highly scalable environment. App Engine and Cloud Functions simplify the deployment of applications by handling the infrastructure automatically, allowing developers to focus on writing code. By completing these exercises, we will gain hands-on experience with the core features of GCP, which are important for building secure, scalable, and maintainable cloud applications in real-world scenarios.

# **Identity and Security Management**

Exercise 1: Setting Up IAM Roles

The Google cloud project

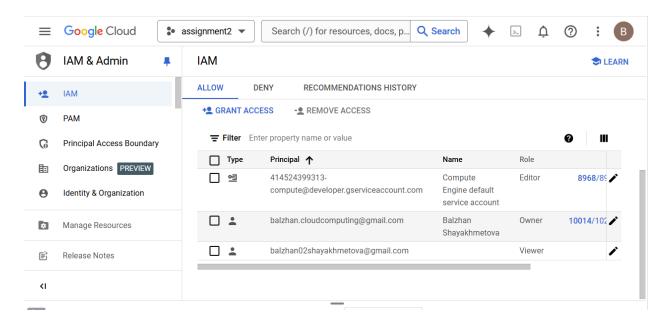


Document roles and their associated permissions to ensure clarity and compliance:

Role	Description	Permissions
Viewer	View-only access to project resources	resourcemanager.projects.get, storage.buckets.list, compute.instances.list
Editor	Full control over resources, except IAM	Viewer permissions + resourcemanager.projects.update, compute.instances.create, storage.buckets.create
Owner	Full control, including IAM and billing	Editor permissions + resourcemanager.projects.setIamPolicy, billing.accounts.get, billing.accounts.update

Custom	_	Define custom roles by selecting specific permissions from IAM Permissions List.
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The configured roles of the project in my current project



## Exercise 2: Service Accounts

1. Initializing the google cloud cli in Image 2

```
C:\Program Files (x86)\Google\Cloud SDK>gcloud init
Welcome! This command will take you through the configuration of gcloud.

Settings from your current configuration [default] are:
accessibility:
screen_reader: 'False'
core:
account: balzhan.cloudcomputing@gmail.com
disable_usage_reporting: 'True'
project: assignment2-438508

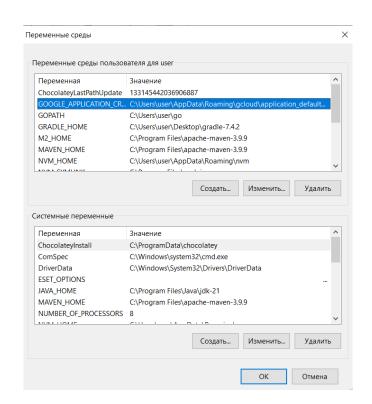
Pick configuration to use:
[1] Re-initialize this configuration [default] with new settings
[2] Create a new configuration
Please enter your numeric choice: 1

Your current configuration has been set to: [default]

You can skip diagnostics next time by using the following flag:
gcloud init --skip-diagnostics
```

Image 2: Initialization of the gcloud

## 2. Setting up global variables in Image 3



## Image 3: System Properties Advanced

3. Creating local authentication credentials in Image 4

```
C:\Program Files (x86)\Google\Cloud SDK>gcloud auth application-default login

The environment variable [GOOGLE_APPLICATION_CREDENTIALS] is set to:
    [C:\Users\user\AppData\Roaming\gcloud\application_default_credentials.json]
Credentials will still be generated to the default location:
    [C:\Users\user\AppData\Roaming\gcloud\application_default_credentials.json]
To use these credentials, unset this environment variable before
running your application.

Do you want to continue (Y/n)? y

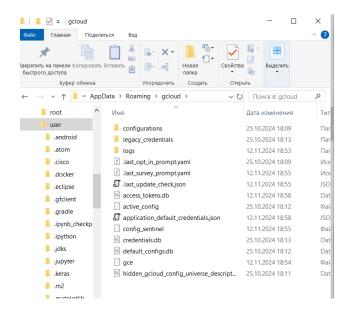
Your browser has been opened to visit:
    https://accounts.google.com/o/oauth2/auth?response_type=code&client_id=764086051850-6qr4p6gpi6hn506pt8ejuq83di341hur.apps.googleusercontent.com&redirect_uri=http%3A%2F%2Flocalhost%3A8085%2F&scope=openid+https%3A%2F%2Fwww.googleapis.com%2Fauth%2Fcloud-platform+https%3A%2F%2Fwww.googleapis.com%2Fauth%2Fsqlservice.login&state=nlxGYmi6EQGsrUVuQMQz2TlW3fx107&access_type=offline&code_challenge=vJwCDJE770g8JljeCug0ZG3iRwTs-476oMWze_v9w7g&code_challenge_method=S256

Credentials saved to file: [C:\Users\user\AppData\Roaming\gcloud\application_default_credentials.json]

These credentials will be used by any library that requests Application Default Credentials (ADC).
```

Image 4: Creating application default credentials

4. The generated api is in the configured path in Image 5



6. Setting up in Java project in resources/config folder corresponding file in Image 6



Image 6: File in the project file location

7. Project structure of the backend in Image 7

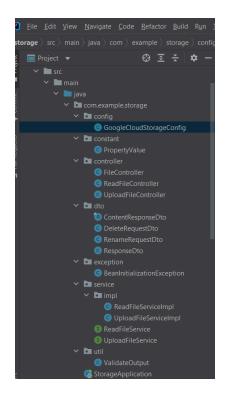


Image 7: Structure of the backend

8. The google storage configuration bean in Image 8

Image 8: Configuration bean creation

9. Successful run of the application in Image 9



Image 9: Successful run of the application

10. Frontend of the application in Image 10

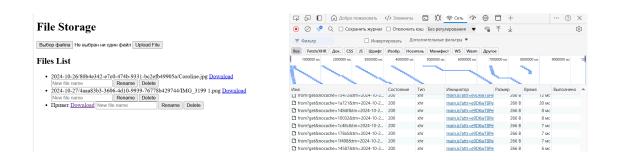


Image 10: Frontend

11. Bucket structure organisation in Image 11

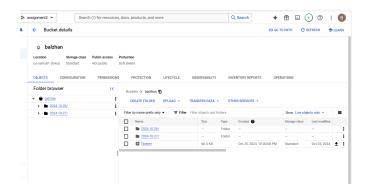


Image 11: Bucket in GC

## Exercise 3: Organization Policies

Set the Restriction at the Organization Level in policy.yaml file

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)$ nano policy.yaml
```

#### Set the Restriction at the Project Level:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508) $ gcloud org-policies set-policy policy.yaml --project=assignment2-438508

API [orgpolicy.googleapis.com] not enabled on project [assignment2-438508]. Would you like to enable and retry (this will take a few minutes)? (y/N)? y

Enabling service [orgpolicy.googleapis.com] on project [assignment2-438508]...

Operation "operations/acat.p2-414524399313-93910ble-d7ce-4682-9a9a-97ce78e74fd6" finished successfully.
```

Document the applied policy, its scope, and the expected impact:

Policy Name	Description	Scope	Enforcemen t
compute.vmExternalIpAcce ss	Restricts creation of VMs with external IP addresses	Organization/Projec t	Deny All

## **Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)**

### **Exercise 4: Deploying a Simple Application**

Set up a GKE cluster using the Google Cloud Console

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508) $ export PROJECT_ID=assignment2-438508 balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508) $ echo $PROJECT_ID assignment2-438508 balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508) $ gcloud config set project $PROJECT_ID Updated property [core/project].
```

Create the hello-repo repository with the following command:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)$ gcloud artifacts repositories create hello-repo \
--repository-format=docker \
--location=us-central1 \
--description="Docker repository"

API [artifactregistry.googleapis.com] not enabled on project [assignment2-438508]. Would you like to enable and retry (this will take a few minutes)? (y/N)? y

Enabling service [artifactregistry.googleapis.com] on project [assignment2-438508]...

Operation "operations/acat.p2-414524399313-f868cbde-8870-4618-b418-2c59ae64c8b9" finished successfully. Create request issued for: [hello-repo]

Waiting for operation [projects/assignment2-438508/locations/us-central1/operations/a9194f26
-f390-4229-8e96-50514e746ce4] to complete...done.
```

Build and tag the Docker image for hello-app:

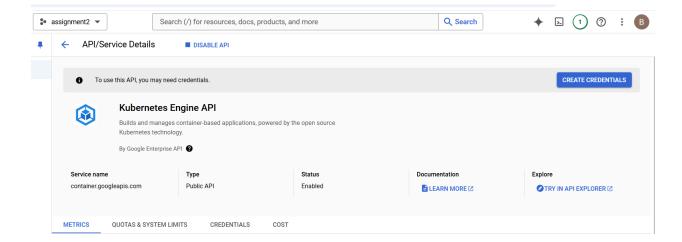
Run the docker images command to verify that the build was successful:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ docker images
REPOSITORY
TAG IMAGE ID CREATED SIZE
us-centrall-docker.pkg.dev/assignment2-438508/hello-repo/hello-app v1 9e408e9d8375 49 seconds ago 27.3MB
```

Set your Compute Engine region:



## **Enabling API**



Create a cluster named hello-cluster:

```
. Creating cluster hello-cluster in us-central1... Cluster is being health-checked (Kubernetes
Control Plane is healthy)...done.
Created [https://container.googleapis.com/vl/projects/assignment2-438508/zones/us-central1/clusters/hello-cluster].
To inspect the contents of your cluster, go to: https://console.cloud.google.com/kubernetes/workload_/gcloud/us-central1/hello-cluster?project=assignment
2-438508
kubeconfig entry generated for hello-cluster.
NAME: hello-cluster
LOCATION: us-central1
MASTER VERSION: 1.30.5-gke.1443001
MASTER IP: 34.134.26.105
MACHINE_TYPE: e2-small
NODE_VERSION: 1.30.5-gke.1443001
NUM_NODES: 3
STATUS: RUNNING
```

Create a Kubernetes Deployment for your hello-app Docker image.

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl create deployment hello-app:-image=us-centrall-docker.pkg.dew/$(PROJECT_ID)/hello-repo/hello-app:vl Warning: autopilot-default-resources-mutator:Autopilot updated Deployment default/hello-app: defaulted unspecified 'cpu' resource for containers [hello-app] (see http://g.co/gke/autopilot-defaults).
```

Push the Docker image that you just built to the repository:

```
halthan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~[kmbmrmetes-engine-samples/quiokstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ docker push us-centrall-docker.pkg.dev/$[PROJECT_ID]/hello-repo/hello-app:vl ffs23bb19b17: Pushed 8353249577: Pushed 8451-2718619. Pushed 8551-2718619. Pus
```

To see the Pods created, run the following command:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignme
nt2-438508) $ kubectl get pods
                             READY
                                     STATUS
                                                                    AGE
hello-app-79bb54dc46-28552
                             1/1
                                     Running
                                                                    2m13s
                                     Running
hello-app-79bb54dc46-7mpmz
                             1/1
                                                         0
                                                                    2m13s
hello-app-79bb54dc46-s4nbh
                             0/1
                                     ImagePullBackOff
                                                                    3m46s
```

Use the kubectl expose command to generate a Kubernetes Service for the hello-app deployment:

```
balzhan cloudcomputing@cloudshell:-/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl expose deployment hello-app --name=hello-app-service --type=LoadHalancer --po tt 80 --target-port 8080 balrhan cloudcomputing@eloudshell:-/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$
```

Run the following command to get the Service details for hello-app-service:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignme
nt2-438508)$ kubectl get service
                   TYPE
                                 CLUSTER-IP
                                                 EXTERNAL-IP
                                                                PORT(S)
                                                                               AGE
hello-app-service
                                 34.118.230.87
                                                                80:31494/TCP
                   LoadBalancer
                                                 34.56.251.50
                                                                               48s
kubernetes
                   ClusterIP
                                34.118.224.1
                                                                443/TCP
                                                                               9m52s
                                                 <none>
```

The app accessed through the internet



## Exercise 5: Managing Pods and Deployments

Build your container image using <u>Cloud Build</u>, which is similar to running docker build and docker push, but the build happens on Google Cloud:

Create a HorizontalPodAutoscaler resource for your Deployment.

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl scale deployment hello-app --replicas=3 deployment.apps/hello-app scaled balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl autoscale deployment hello-app --cpu-percent=80 --min=1 --max=5
```

To see the Pods created, run the following command:

```
balzhan cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/kubernetes-engine-samples/quickstarts/hello-app (assignme
nt2-438508) $ kubectl get pods
NAME
                             READY
                                     STATUS
                                                         RESTARTS
                                                                    AGE
hello-app-79bb54dc46-28552
                             1/1
                                      Running
                                                                     2m13s
hello-app-79bb54dc46-7mpmz
                                     Running
                                                                     2m13s
                             1/1
                                                         0
hello-app-79bb54dc46-s4nbh
                             0/1
                                     ImagePullBackOff
                                                         0
                                                                     3m46s
```

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)$ nano deployment.yaml
```

```
metadata:
 name: helloworld-gke
 replicas: 1
  selector:
   matchLabels:
      app: hello
  template:
   metadata:
      labels:
        app: hello
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: hello-app
        # Replace $LOCATION with your Artifact Registry location (e.g., us-west1).
        # Replace $GCLOUD PROJECT with your project ID.
        image: us-central1-docker.pkg.dev/assignment2-438508/hello-repo/helloworld-gke:latest
        # This app listens on port 8080 for web traffic by default.
        ports:
        - containerPort: 8080
        env:
          - name: PORT
            value: "8080"
        resources:
          requests:
            memory: "1Gi"
            cpu: "500m"
            ephemeral-storage: "1Gi"
          limits:
            memory: "1Gi"
            cpu: "500m"
            ephemeral-storage: "1Gi"
```

balzhan\_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)\$ kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml deployment.apps/helloworld-gke created

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/helloworld-gke (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl get pods

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
hello-app-79bb54dc46-sgpm8 1/1 Running 0 5h40m
helloworld-gke-59cb5ccd5-grlsh 1/1 Running 0 21m
```

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/helloworld-gke (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl apply -f ser vice.yaml service/hello created
```

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/helloworld-gke (assignment2-438508)$ kubectl get services
NAME
                                  CLUSTER-IP
                                                  EXTERNAL-IP
                                                                 PORT (S)
                                                                 80:31719/TCP
hello
                                  34.118.236.196
                   LoadBalancer
                                                   34.45.45.27
                                                                                38s
hello-app-service
                   LoadBalancer
                                  34.118.226.180
                                                   34.68.233.23
                                                                 80:32162/TCP
                                                                                5h40m
                   ClusterIP
                                 34.118.224.1
                                                                 443/TCP
                                                  <none>
```

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/helloworld-gke (assignment2-438508)$ curl 34.68.233.23 Hello, world!

Version: 1.0.0

Hostname: hello-app-79bb54dc46-sgpm8
```

## Exercise 6: ConfigMaps and Secrets

A ConfigMap is used to store non-sensitive configuration data in key-value pairs.

## 1. Create ConfigMap from a file:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~$ kubectl create configmap my-config --from-file=config.pr operties configmap/my-config created
```

## Verify the ConfigMap:

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~$ kubectl get configmap my-config -o yaml
apiVersion: v1
data:
    config.properties: |
        app.name=HelloWorldApp
        app.environment=production
        app.version=1.0.0
        greeting.message=Hello, World!
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: "2024-11-17T16:22:52Z"
    name: my-config
    namespace: default
    resourceVersion: "1557488"
    uid: 1b79acea-f68b-4e0f-9ec1-044e514e5c17
```

#### Applying the configmap file with stored keys

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~$ kubectl apply -f configmap.yaml
Warning: autopilot-default-resources-mutator:Autopilot updated Pod default/configmap-demo: de
faulted unspecified 'cpu' resource for containers [demo-container] (see http://g.co/gke/autop
ilot-defaults).
pod/configmap-demo created
```

### Deploy app with new configured keys

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~$ kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml deployment.apps/helloworld-gke unchanged
```

#### Clean up

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~$ kubectl delete service hello-app-service service "hello-app-service" deleted
```

### Deleting the cluster

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)$ gcloud container clusters delete he llo-cluster --region us-central1

The following clusters will be deleted.
- [hello-cluster] in [us-central1]

Do you want to continue (Y/n)? y

Deleting cluster hello-cluster...working.
```

# App Engine and Cloud Functions

## Exercise 7: Deploying an App on App Engine

Initialize your App Engine app with your project and choose its region:

```
balzhan cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~
                                                                     08)$ gcloud app create --project=assignment2-438508
You are creating an app for project [assignment2-438508].
WARNING: Creating an App Engine application for a project is irreversible and the region
cannot be changed. More information about regions is at
<a href="https://cloud.google.com/appengine/docs/locations">https://cloud.google.com/appengine/docs/locations</a>.
Please choose the region where you want your App Engine application located:
 [1] asia-east1
                        (supports standard and flexible)
                       (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [3] asia-northeast1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [4] asia-northeast2 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [5] asia-northeast3 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [6] asia-south1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [7] asia-southeast1 (supports standard and flexible)
[8] asia-southeast2 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [9] australia-southeast1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [10] europe-central2 (supports standard and flexible)
 [11] europe-west (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
[12] europe-west2 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
[13] europe-west3 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
[14] europe-west6 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [15] northamerica-northeast1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [16] southamerica-east1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [17] us-central (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
[18] us-east1 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
[19] us-east4 (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [20] us-west1
                        (supports standard and flexible)
 [21] us-west2
                         (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [22] us-west3
                         (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [23] us-west4
                         (supports standard and flexible and search_api)
 [24] cancel
Please enter your numeric choice: 17
```

Run the following command to install the <u>gcloud component</u> that includes the App Engine extension for Python:

Change to the directory that contains the sample code.

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~ (assignment2-438508)$ cd python-docs-samples/appengine /flexible/hello_world balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/python-docs-samples/appengine/flexible/hello_world (assignment2-438508)$
```

Deploy the Hello World app by running the following command from the hello world directory:

```
balzhan cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/python-docs-samples/appengine/flexible/hello_world (assig
nment2-438508) $ gcloud app deploy
Services to deploy:
descriptor:
                              [/home/balzhan cloudcomputing/python-docs-samples/appengine/flex
ible/hello_world/app.yaml]
                              [/home/balzhan_cloudcomputing/python-docs-samples/appengine/flex
source:
ible/hello_world]
                              [assignment2-438508]
target project:
target service:
                             [default]
target version:
                             [20241117t165902]
target url:
                             [https://assignment2-438508.uc.r.appspot.com]
target service account:
                             [assignment2-438508@appspot.gserviceaccount.com]
Do you want to continue (Y/n)? y
Enabling service [appengineflex.googleapis.com] on project [assignment2-438508]...
Operation "operations/acf.p2-414524399313-82b4b6b8-f1a3-486e-87d7-cf1641e6d3ab" finished succ
essfully.
Beginning deployment of service [default]...
Uploading 7 files to Google Cloud Storage
14%
29%
43%
57%
71%
86%
100%
100%
File upload done.
Updating service [default] (this may take several minutes)...working.
```

Hello World!

The <u>app.vaml</u> file describes the following configuration for your app:

```
GNU nano 7.2
                                              app.yaml
runtime: python
env: flex
entrypoint: gunicorn -b :$PORT main:app
runtime config:
 operating_system: ubuntu22
manual_scaling:
 instances: 1
resources:
 cpu: 1
 memory gb: 0.5
 disk size gb: 10
                                       [ Read 31 lines ]
                  Write Out
   Help
                                 Where Is
                                                                 Execute
                                                                                Location
   Exit
                  Read File
                                 Replace
                                                                 Justify
                                                                                Go To Line
```

Exercise 8: Using Cloud Functions

Adding triggering event on entering the application

```
@app.route("/simulate-alert", methods=["GET"])
def simulate_alert():
    """
    A simple endpoint to trigger a simulated alert via GET for testing.
    """
    event_type = "TestAlert"
    message = "This is a simulated alert triggered via GET request."
    logger.info(f"Simulating alert for event: {event_type}")
    simulate_alert_notification(event_type, message)
    return f"Simulated alert for event '{event_type}' logged.", 200
```

## Endpoint for triggering alert /trigger-alert:

• Accepts a **POST** request with a JSON payload to trigger an alert.

```
Example payload:
{
  "event_type": "ErrorEvent",
  "message": "Something went wrong."
}
```

• /simulate-alert:

A simple **GET** endpoint to simulate an alert with hardcoded values.

### **Simulated Alert Notification:**

- Logs the simulated notification.
- Can be extended to send real notifications (e.g., email or SMS using APIs like SendGrid or Twilio).



Simulated alert for event 'TestAlert' logged.

Simulated alert from the endpoint

## Exercise 9: Monitoring and Logging

Adding this logging to the main.py file

```
# Configure logging
logging.basicConfig(
    level=logging.INFO, # Set the logging level (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL)
    format="%(asctime)s - %(name)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s",
)
# Create a logger for the app
logger = logging.getLogger("hello-world-app")
```

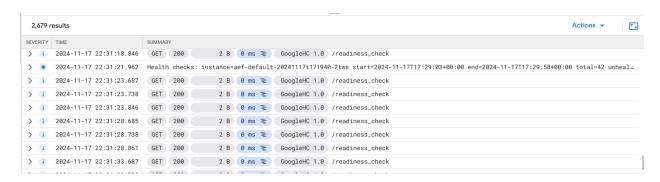
## Redeploying an app

```
balzhan_cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/python-docs-samples/appengine/flexible/hello world (assig
nment2-438508)$ gcloud app deploy
Services to deploy:
descriptor:
                             [/home/balzhan cloudcomputing/python-docs-samples/appengine/flex
ible/hello_world/app.yaml]
source:
                             [/home/balzhan_cloudcomputing/python-docs-samples/appengine/flex
ible/hello_world]
                             [assignment2-438508]
target project:
target service:
                             [default]
target version:
                             [20241117t171940]
target url:
                             [https://assignment2-438508.uc.r.appspot.com]
target service account:
                            [assignment2-438508@appspot.gserviceaccount.com]
Do you want to continue (Y/n)? y
Beginning deployment of service [default]...
```

Logging in the console

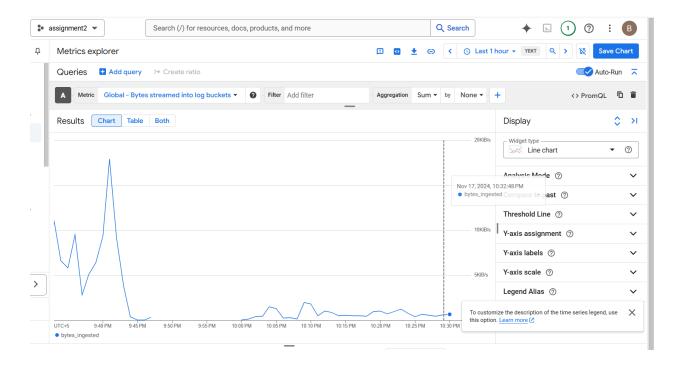
```
File "/usr/lib/google-cloud-sdk/platform/bundledpythonunix/lib/python3.11/logging/__init__.
py", line 1114, in emit
    self.flush()
  File "/usr/lib/google-cloud-sdk/platform/bundledpythonunix/lib/python3.11/logging/_init_.
py", line 1094, in flush
    self.stream.flush()
  File "/usr/bin/../lib/google-cloud-sdk/lib/googlecloudsdk/core/util/keyboard interrupt.py",
 line 41, in HandleInterrupt
    log.err.Print(message)
  File "/usr/bin/../lib/google-cloud-sdk/lib/googlecloudsdk/core/log.py", line 203, in Print
    self._Write(plain_text, styled_text)
  File "/usr/bin/../lib/google-cloud-sdk/lib/googlecloudsdk/core/log.py", line 219, in Write
    self. logger.info(msg)
Message: \overline{\ \ '}n\nCommand killed by keyboard interrupt\n\n'
Arguments: ()
Command killed by keyboard interrupt
balzhan cloudcomputing@cloudshell:~/python-docs-samples/appengine/flexible/hello world (assig
nment2-438508)$ gcloud logging read "resource.type=cloud_function AND resource.labels.functio
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#### In the logs explorer we can see



#### We can also set up dashboards for logging

- Navigate to **Monitoring > Dashboards** in the Cloud Console.
- Click Create Dashboard and add widgets to visualize metrics such as:
  - HTTP request count
  - Error rate
  - Latency



## 2. Add Metrics for App Engine:

- Metric Type: appengine.googleapis.com/http/server/response count
- Filter: resource.labels.module id = "default"

### 3. Add Metrics for Cloud Functions:

- Metric Type: cloudfunctions.googleapis.com/function/execution count
- Filter: resource.labels.function name = "hello-world"

## Conclusion

In conclusion, this set of exercises has helped us dive into essential Google Cloud Platform services like IAM, GKE, App Engine, and Cloud Functions. While some parts of the assignment were straightforward, such as setting up IAM roles and deploying applications to App Engine, other tasks proved to be more challenging. For instance, working with Google Kubernetes Engine required a deeper understanding of container orchestration, managing multi-container deployments, and scaling applications. Additionally, creating and managing service accounts for authenticating with Google Cloud Storage, as well as applying organization policies, required careful attention to permissions and restrictions. Despite these challenges, the exercises provided valuable hands-on experience that will be crucial for developing secure, scalable, and efficient cloud applications in the future.

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