Vertex Pipelines P1

Overview

Pipelines help you automate and reproduce your ML workflow. Vertex Al integrates the ML offerings across Google Cloud into a seamless development experience. Previously, models trained with AutoML and custom models were accessible via separate services. Vertex Al combines both into a single API, along with other new products. Vertex Al also includes a variety of MLOps products, like Vertex Pipelines. In this experiment, you will learn how to create and run ML pipelines with Vertex Pipelines.

Why are ML pipelines useful?

Before diving in, first understand why you would want to use a pipeline. Imagine you're building out a ML workflow that includes processing data, training a model, hyperparameter tuning, evaluation, and model deployment. Each of these steps may have different dependencies, which may become unwieldy if you treat the entire workflow as a monolith. As you begin to scale your ML process, you might want to share your ML workflow with others on your team so they can run it and contribute code. Without a reliable, reproducible process, this can become difficult. With pipelines, each step in your ML process is its own container. This lets you develop steps independently and track the input and output from each step in a reproducible way. You can also schedule or trigger runs of your pipeline based on other events in your Cloud environment, like when new training data is available.

What you'll learn

- Use the Kubeflow Pipelines SDK to build scalable ML pipelines
- Create and run a 3-step intro pipeline that takes text input

- Create and run a pipeline that trains, evaluates, and deploys an AutoML classification model
- Use pre-built components for interacting with Vertex AI services, provided through the google_cloud_pipeline_components library
- Schedule a pipeline job with Cloud Scheduler

Setup and Requirements

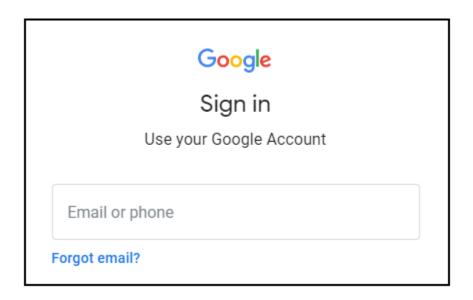
What you need

To complete this experiment, you need:

- Access to a standard internet browser (Chrome browser recommended).
- The experiment account provided by the instructor

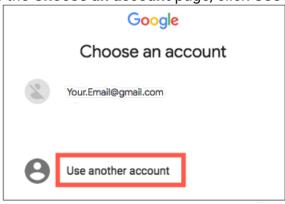
How to start your experiment and sign in to the Google Cloud Console

- 1. Sign into the console.cloud.google.com GCP environment with the username and credentials provided by the instructor
- 2. Copy the username, and paste into the **Sign in** page.



Tip: Open the tabs in separate windows, side-by-side.

If you see the Choose an account page, click Use Another



- Account.
- 3. In the **Sign in** page, paste the username that you were provided. Then copy and paste the password.
- 4. Click through the subsequent pages:
 - o For recovery email enter jason@innovationinsoftware.com

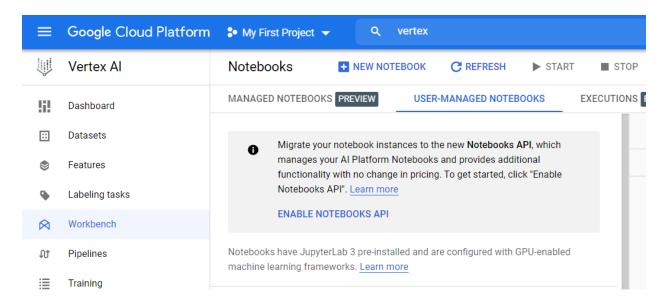
Confirm the recovery options without changing them.

After a few moments, the Cloud Console opens in this tab.

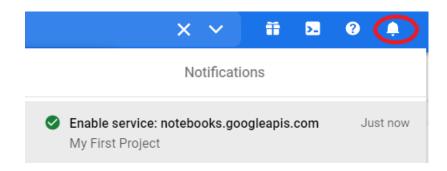
Note: You can view the menu with a list of Google Cloud Products and Services by clicking the **Navigation menu** at the top-left.

Create an Vertex Notebooks instance

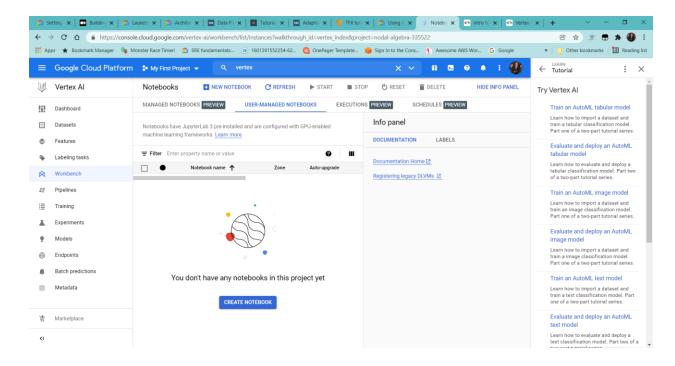
- 1. Click on the Navigation Menu.
- 2. Navigate to Vertex AI, then to Workbench.
- 3. Click ENABLE NOTEBOOKS API



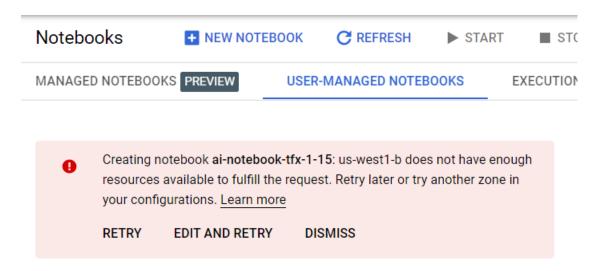
- 4. Click the Bell icon in the top level navigation on the right to view Notifications
- 5. Notice that the Notebook Enablement is posted there



6. Click to CREATE NOTEBOOK

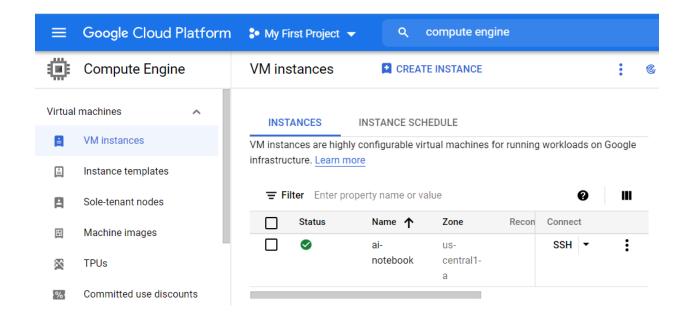


- Enter a notebook name ai-notebook, for my notebook I selected US-CENTRAL (Iowa) but any region listed should be fine. We'll select Tensorflow 2.3, Debian Linux, if not already selected and leave the remaining as default. Click CREATE
- 8. **Note:** Occasionally you'll get ICE'd in which case you'll want to try again with a different region. Although the Notebook creation defaults to US-WEST Oregon, I normally change that to Central or East regions.

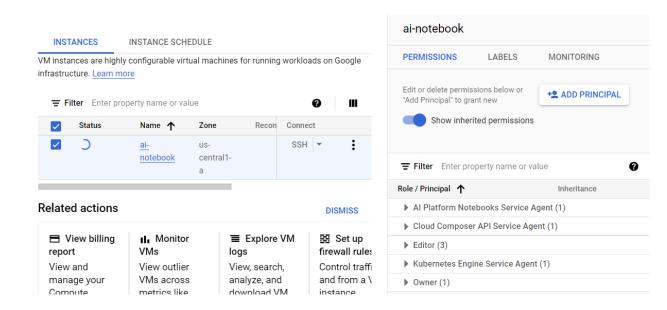


Notebooks have JupyterLab 3 pre-installed and are configured with GPU-enabled machine learning frameworks. Learn more

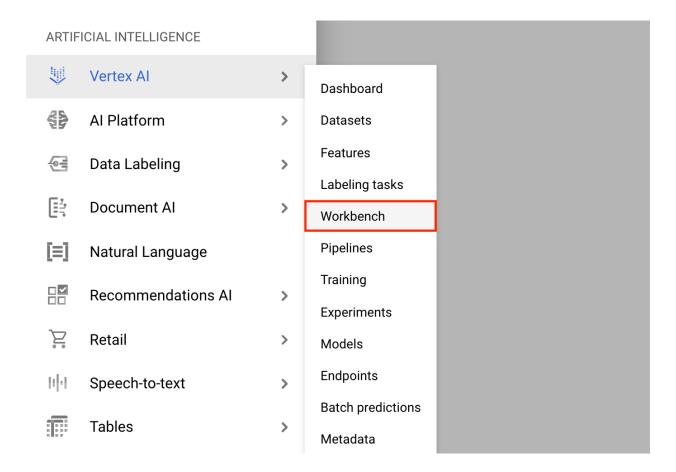
- 9. This will load the Notebook instances page, defaulting to **User-Managed Notebooks** tab and our new ai-notebook should show as being created, then later as connecting to JupyterLab for our access.
- 10. Navigate to the Compute Engine service while we wait, and note that we now have a Virtual Machine created name **ai-notebook**.



11. Select the checkbox next to our instance and note that there are a number of IAM permissions that have been assigned for using our Notebook.



12. Navigate back to our Vertex AI -> Workbench. On the Notebook instances page, navigate to the **User-Managed Notebooks** tab and wait until ainnotebook is fully created.



It should take a few minutes for the notebook to be fully created.

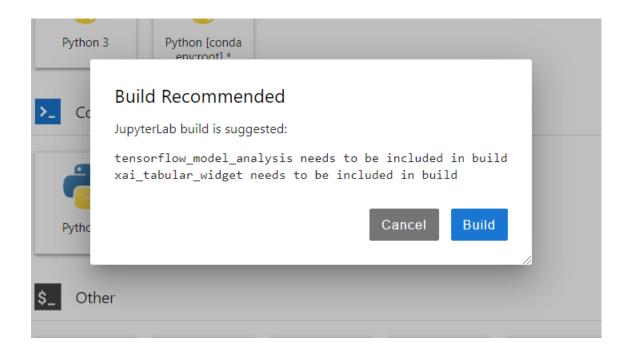
13. Once the instance has been created, select **Open JupyterLab**:



Check if the notebook is created

Check my progress

14. The default environment will suggest some additional build options, and we'll skip those, choose **Cancel**



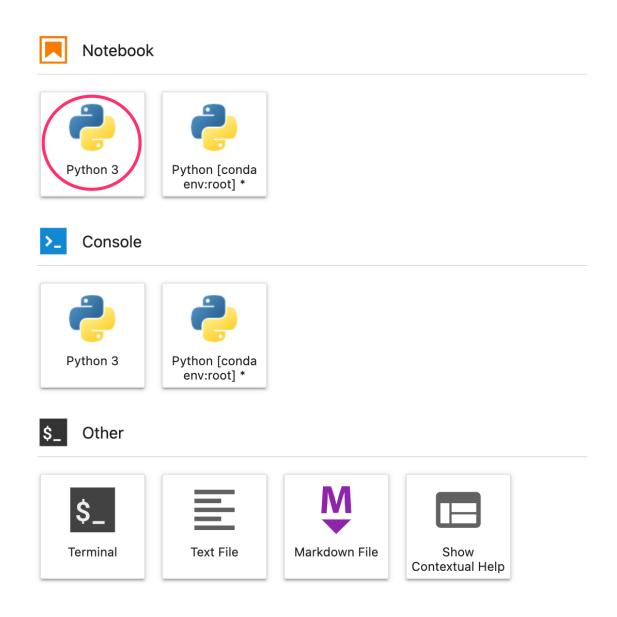
Vertex Pipelines setup

There are a few additional libraries you'll need to install in order to use Vertex Pipelines:

- **Kubeflow Pipelines**: This is the SDK used to build the pipeline. Vertex Pipelines supports running pipelines built with both Kubeflow Pipelines or TFX.
- Google Cloud Pipeline Components: This library provides pre-built components that make it easier to interact with Vertex AI services from your pipeline steps.

Step 1: Create Python notebook and install libraries

From the Launcher menu in your Notebook instance, create a notebook by selecting **Python 3**:

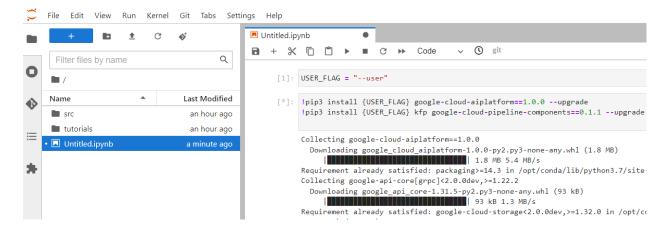


You can access the Launcher menu by clicking on the + sign in the top left of your notebook instance.

To install both services needed for this experiment, first set the user flag in a notebook cell:

Then run the following from your notebook:

!pip3 install {USER_FLAG} google-cloud-aiplatform==1.7.0 --upgrade
!pip3 install {USER_FLAG} kfp==1.8.9 google-cloud-pipelinecomponents==0.2.0



After installing these packages you'll need to restart the kernel:

```
import os
if not os.getenv("IS_TESTING"):
    # Automatically restart kernel after installs
    import IPython
    app = IPython.Application.instance()
    app.kernel.do shutdown(True)
```

Finally, check that you have correctly installed the packages. The KFP SDK version should be >=1.6:

```
!python3 -c "import kfp; print('KFP SDK version:
{}'.format(kfp.__version__))"
!python3 -c "import google_cloud_pipeline_components;
print('google_cloud_pipeline_components version:
{}'.format(google_cloud_pipeline_components.__version__))"
KFP SDK version: 1.8.10
google_cloud_pipeline_components version: 0.2.1
```

Step 2: Set your project ID and bucket

Throughout this experiment you'll reference your Cloud Project ID and the bucket you created earlier. Next you'll create variables for each of those.

If you don't know your project ID you may be able to get it by running the following:

```
import os
PROJECT_ID = ""
# Get your Google Cloud project ID from gcloud
if not os.getenv("IS_TESTING"):
    shell_output=!gcloud config list --format 'value(core.project)'
2>/dev/null
    PROJECT_ID = shell_output[0]
    print("Project ID: ", PROJECT_ID)
Project ID: datapipe-20220110-student10xin
```

Then create a variable to store your bucket name.

```
BUCKET_NAME="gs://" + PROJECT_ID + "-bucket"
print("Bucket: ", BUCKET_NAME)
Bucket: gs://datapipe-20220110-student10xin-bucket
```

Step 3: Import libraries

Add the following to import the libraries you'll be using throughout this experiment:

Step 4: Define constants

The last thing you need to do before building the pipeline is define some constant variables. PIPELINE_ROOT is the Cloud Storage path where the artifacts created by your pipeline will be written. You're using us-central1 as the region here, but if you used a different region when you created your bucket, update the REGION variable in the code below:

```
PATH=%env PATH
%env PATH={PATH}:/home/jupyter/.local/bin
REGION="us-central1"
PIPELINE_ROOT = f"{BUCKET_NAME}/pipeline_root/"
PIPELINE_ROOT
```

After running the code above, you should see the root directory for your pipeline printed. This is the Cloud Storage location where the artifacts from your pipeline will be written. It will be in the format of gs://<bucket name>/pipeline root/

Creating an end-to-end ML pipeline

It's time to build your first ML pipeline. In this pipeline, you'll use the UCI Machine Learning Dry Beans dataset, from: KOKLU, M. and OZKAN, I.A., (2020), "Multiclass Classification of Dry Beans Using Computer Vision and Machine Learning Techniques." In Computers and Electronics in Agriculture, 174, 105507. DOI.

This pipeline will take over an hour to complete. So you will not need to wait the entire duration of the pipeline to complete the lab. Follow the steps, until your pipeline job has started.

This is a tabular dataset, and in your pipeline you'll use the dataset to train, evaluate, and deploy an AutoML model that classifies beans into one of 7 types based on their characteristics.

This pipeline will:

- Create a Dataset in Vertex Al
- Train a tabular classification model with AutoML

- Get evaluation metrics on this model
- Based on the evaluation metrics, decide whether to deploy the model using conditional logic in Vertex Pipelines
- Deploy the model to an endpoint using Vertex Prediction

Each of the steps outlined will be a component. Most of the pipeline steps will use prebuilt components for Vertex AI services via

the <code>google_cloud_pipeline_components</code> library yoy imported earlier in this codelab. In this section, we'll define one custom component first. Then, we'll define the rest of the pipeline steps using pre-built components. Pre-built components make it easier to access Vertex AI services, like model training and deployment.

The majority of time for this step is for the AutoML training piece of this pipeline, which will take about an hour.

Step 1: A custom component for model evaluation

The custom component you'll define will be used towards the end of the pipeline once model training has completed. This component will do a few things:

- Get the evaluation metrics from the trained AutoML classification model
- Parse the metrics and render them in the Vertex Pipelines UI
- Compare the metrics to a threshold to determine whether the model should be deployed

Before defining the component, understand its input and output parameters. As input, this pipeline takes some metadata on your Cloud project, the resulting trained model (you'll define this component later), the model's evaluation metrics, and a thresholds_dict_str. The thresholds_dict_str is something you'll define when you run your pipeline. In the case of this classification model, this will be the area under the ROC curve value for which you should deploy the model. For example, if you pass in 0.95, that means you'd only like your pipeline to deploy the model if this metric is above 95%.

The evaluation component returns a string indicating whether or not to deploy the model. Add the following in a notebook cell to create this custom component:

```
@component(
    base_image="gcr.io/deeplearning-platform-release/tf2-cpu.2-3:latest",
    output_component_file="tables_eval_component.yaml", # Optional: you
can use this to load the component later
    packages_to_install=["google-cloud-aiplatform"],
```

```
def classif model eval metrics (
    project: str,
    location: str, # "us-central1",
    api endpoint: str, # "us-central1-aiplatform.googleapis.com",
    thresholds dict str: str,
    model: Input[Model],
    metrics: Output[Metrics],
    metricsc: Output[ClassificationMetrics],
) -> NamedTuple("Outputs", [("dep_decision", str)]): # Return parameter.
    """This function renders evaluation metrics for an AutoML Tabular
classification model.
    It retrieves the classification model evaluation generated by the
AutoML Tabular training
    process, does some parsing, and uses that info to render the ROC curve
and confusion matrix
    for the model. It also uses given metrics threshold information and
compares that to the
    evaluation results to determine whether the model is sufficiently
accurate to deploy.
    import json
    import logging
    from google.cloud import aiplatform
    # Fetch model eval info
    def get eval info(client, model name):
        from google.protobuf.json format import MessageToDict
        response = client.list model evaluations(parent=model name)
        metrics list = []
        metrics string list = []
        for evaluation in response:
            print("model evaluation")
            print(" name:", evaluation.name)
            print(" metrics schema uri:", evaluation.metrics schema uri)
            metrics = MessageToDict(evaluation. pb.metrics)
            for metric in metrics.keys():
                logging.info("metric: %s, value: %s", metric,
metrics[metric])
            metrics str = json.dumps(metrics)
            metrics list.append(metrics)
            metrics string list.append(metrics str)
        return (
            evaluation.name,
            metrics list,
            metrics string list,
        )
    # Use the given metrics threshold(s) to determine whether the model is
    # accurate enough to deploy.
    def classification thresholds check (metrics dict, thresholds dict):
        for k, v in thresholds dict.items():
            logging.info("k {}, v {}".format(k, v))
            if k in ["auRoc", "auPrc"]: # higher is better
                if metrics_dict[k] < v: # if under threshold, don't</pre>
deploy
```

```
logging.info(
                        "{} < {}; returning False".format(metrics dict[k],
V)
                    return False
        logging.info("threshold checks passed.")
        return True
    def log metrics(metrics list, metricsc):
        test confusion matrix = metrics list[0]["confusionMatrix"]
        logging.info("rows: %s", test_confusion_matrix["rows"])
        # log the ROC curve
        fpr = []
        tpr = []
        thresholds = []
        for item in metrics list[0]["confidenceMetrics"]:
            fpr.append(item.get("falsePositiveRate", 0.0))
            tpr.append(item.get("recall", 0.0))
            thresholds.append(item.get("confidenceThreshold", 0.0))
        print(f"fpr: {fpr}")
        print(f"tpr: {tpr}")
        print(f"thresholds: {thresholds}")
        metricsc.log roc curve(fpr, tpr, thresholds)
        # log the confusion matrix
        annotations = []
        for item in test confusion matrix["annotationSpecs"]:
            annotations.append(item["displayName"])
        logging.info("confusion matrix annotations: %s", annotations)
        metricsc.log confusion matrix(
            annotations,
            test confusion matrix["rows"],
        # log textual metrics info as well
        for metric in metrics list[0].keys():
            if metric != "confidenceMetrics":
                val string = json.dumps(metrics list[0][metric])
                metrics.log metric(metric, val string)
        # metrics.metadata["model type"] = "AutoML Tabular classification"
    logging.getLogger().setLevel(logging.INFO)
    aiplatform.init(project=project)
    # extract the model resource name from the input Model Artifact
    model resource path = model.uri.replace("aiplatform://v1/", "")
    logging.info("model path: %s", model resource path)
    client options = {"api endpoint": api endpoint}
    # Initialize client that will be used to create and send requests.
    client =
aiplatform.gapic.ModelServiceClient(client options=client options)
    eval name, metrics list, metrics str list = get eval info(
        client, model resource path
    logging.info("got evaluation name: %s", eval name)
    logging.info("got metrics list: %s", metrics list)
    log metrics(metrics list, metricsc)
    thresholds dict = json.loads(thresholds dict str)
```

```
deploy = classification_thresholds_check(metrics_list[0],
thresholds_dict)
  if deploy:
      dep_decision = "true"
  else:
      dep_decision = "false"
  logging.info("deployment decision is %s", dep_decision)
  return (dep_decision,)
```

Step 2: Adding Google Cloud pre-built components

In this step you'll define the rest of your pipeline components and see how they all fit together.

First, define the display name for your pipeline run using a timestamp:

```
import time
DISPLAY_NAME = 'automl-beans{}'.format(str(int(time.time())))
print(DISPLAY_NAME)

automl-beans1641841035
```

Then copy the following into a new notebook cell:

```
@kfp.dsl.pipeline(name="automl-tab-beans-training-v2",
                  pipeline root=PIPELINE ROOT)
def pipeline(
   bq source: str = "bq://aju-dev-demos.beans.beans1",
   display name: str = DISPLAY NAME,
   project: str = PROJECT ID,
   gcp region: str = "us-central1",
   api endpoint: str = "us-central1-aiplatform.googleapis.com",
   thresholds dict str: str = '{"auRoc": 0.95}',
):
   dataset create op = gcc aip.TabularDatasetCreateOp(
       project=project, display name=display name, bq source=bq source
    training op = gcc aip.AutoMLTabularTrainingJobRunOp(
       project=project,
       display name=display name,
        optimization prediction type="classification",
       budget milli node hours=1000,
```

```
column transformations=[
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Area"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Perimeter"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "MajorAxisLength"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "MinorAxisLength"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "AspectRation"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Eccentricity"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "ConvexArea"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "EquivDiameter"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Extent"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Solidity"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "roundness"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "Compactness"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "ShapeFactor1"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "ShapeFactor2"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "ShapeFactor3"}},
        {"numeric": {"column name": "ShapeFactor4"}},
        {"categorical": {"column name": "Class"}},
    ],
    dataset=dataset create op.outputs["dataset"],
    target column="Class",
)
model eval task = classif model eval metrics(
    project,
    gcp region,
    api endpoint,
    thresholds dict str,
    training op.outputs["model"],
)
with dsl.Condition(
   model eval task.outputs["dep decision"] == "true",
    name="deploy decision",
):
    deploy op = gcc aip.ModelDeployOp( # noga: F841
        model=training op.outputs["model"],
        project=project,
        machine type="n1-standard-4",
    )
```

What's happening in this code:

- First, just as in the previous pipeline, you define the input parameters this pipeline takes. You need to set these manually since they don't depend on the output of other steps in the pipeline.
- The rest of the pipeline uses a few pre-built components for interacting with Vertex AI services:

- TabularDatasetCreateOp creates a tabular dataset in Vertex Al given a
 dataset source either in Cloud Storage or BigQuery. In this pipeline, you're
 passing the data via a BigQuery table URL.
- AutoMLTabularTrainingJobRunOp kicks off an AutoML training job for a tabular dataset. You pass a few configuration parameters to this component, including the model type (in this case, classification), some data on the columns, how long you'd like to run training for, and a pointer to the dataset. Notice that to pass in the dataset to this component, you're providing the output of the previous component
 - via dataset_create_op.outputs["dataset"] .
 ModelDeplovOp deplovs a given model to an endpoint
- ModelDeployOp deploys a given model to an endpoint in Vertex AI. There
 are additional configuration options available, but here you're providing the
 endpoint machine type, project, and model you'd like to deploy. You're
 passing in the model by accessing the outputs of the training step in your
 pipeline.
- This pipeline also makes use of **conditional logic**, a feature of Vertex Pipelines that lets you define a condition, along with different branches based on the result of that condition. Remember that when you defined the pipeline you passed a thresholds_dict_str parameter. This is the accuracy threshold you're using to determine whether to deploy your model to an endpoint. To implement this, make use of the Condition class from the KFP SDK. The condition passed in is the output of the custom eval component you defined earlier in this lab. If this condition is true, the pipeline will continue to execute the deploy_op component. If accuracy doesn't meet the predefined threshold, the pipeline will stop here and won't deploy a model.

Step 3: Compile and run the end-to-end ML pipeline

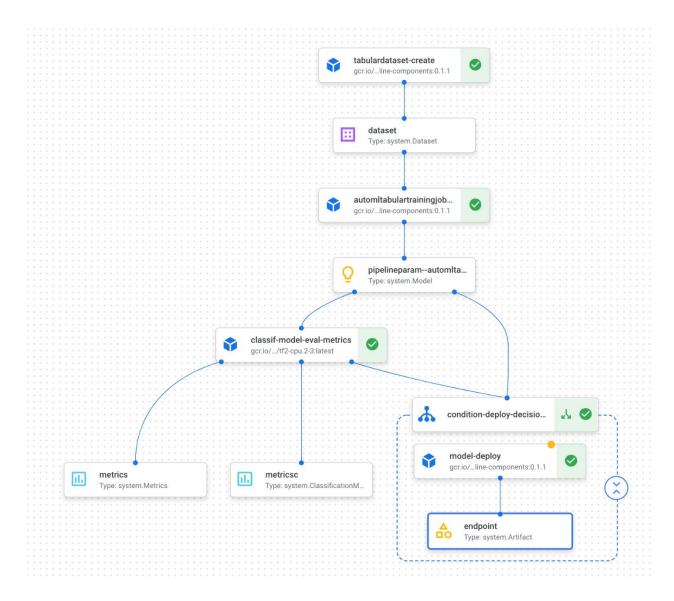
With the full pipeline defined, it's time to compile it:

```
compiler.Compiler().compile(
         pipeline_func=pipeline, package_path="tab_classif_pipeline.json"
)
```

If the compile step throws an error we've not correctly used Tensorflow 2.3 with the correct dependency libraries installed with PIP.

Next, kick off a pipeline run:

Click on the link shown after running the cell above to see your pipeline in the console. **This pipeline should take a little over an hour to run**. Most of the time is spent in the AutoML training step. The completed pipeline will look something like this:



If you toggle the "Expand artifacts" button at the top, you'll be able to see details for the different artifacts created from your pipeline. For example, if you click on the dataset artifact, you'll see details on the Vertex AI dataset that was created. You can click the link here to go to the page for that dataset:

Artifact info

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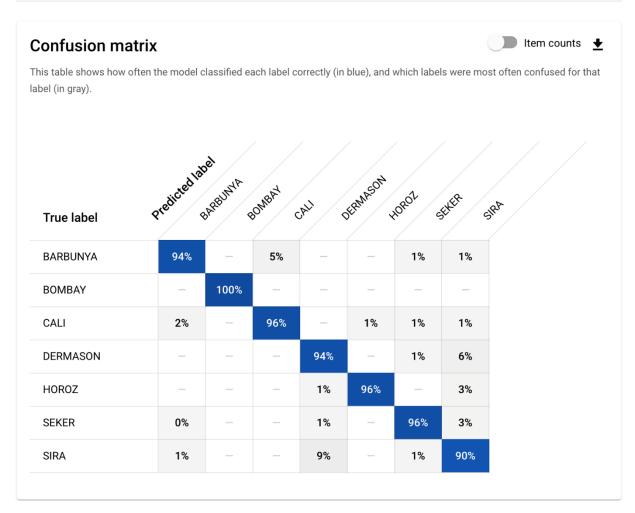
Name	dataset
Туре	system.Dataset
URI	aiplatform://v1/projects/462141068491/locations/
	us-central1/datasets/460712964224188416

Similarly, to see the resulting metric visualizations from your custom evaluation component, click on the artifact called **metricsc**. On the right side of your dashboard, you'll be able to see the confusion matrix for this model:

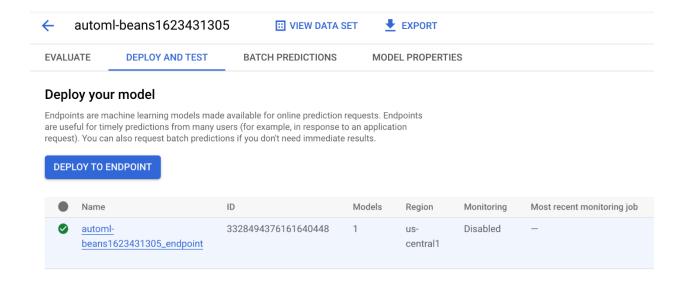
Artifact info

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Name	metricsc	
Туре	system.ClassificationMetrics	
URI	gs://sara-vertex-demos-bucket/pipeline_root/your-user-id/462141068491/automl-tab-beans-	
	training-v2-20210611170830/classif-model-eval-metrics_6318374355340361728/metricsc	



To see the model and endpoint created from this pipeline run, go to the models section and click on the model named <code>automl-beans</code>. There you should see this model deployed to an endpoint:



You can also access this page by clicking on the **endpoint** artifact in your pipeline graph.

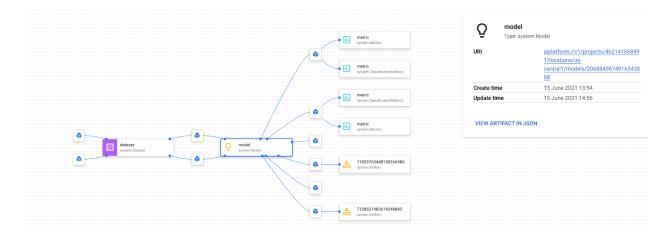
In addition to looking at the pipeline graph in the console, you can also use Vertex Pipelines for **Lineage Tracking**. Lineage tracking means tracking artifacts created throughout your pipeline. This can help you understand where artifacts were created and how they are being used throughout an ML workflow. For example, to see the lineage tracking for the dataset created in this pipeline, click on the dataset artifact and then **View Lineage**:

Artifact info



Name	dataset
Туре	system.Dataset
URI	aiplatform://v1/projects/462141068491/locations/
	us-central1/datasets/9035003704784191488

This shows all the places this artifact is being used:



Wait until the training job in your pipeline has started and then check your progress below.

Check if your end-to-end ML pipeline training job has started

Check my progress

Step 4: Comparing metrics across pipeline runs

If you run this pipeline multiple times, you may want to compare metrics across runs. You can use the <code>aiplatform.get_pipeline_df()</code> method to access run metadata. Here, we'll get metadata for all runs of this pipeline and load it into a Pandas DataFrame:

```
pipeline_df = aiplatform.get_pipeline_df(pipeline="automl-tab-beans-training-v2")
small_pipeline_df = pipeline_df.head(2)
small_pipeline_df
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```

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You've now learned how to build, run, and get metadata for an end-to-end ML pipeline on Vertex Pipelines.

Congratulations!

You have learned how to build, run, and get metadata for an end-to-end ML pipeline on Vertex Pipelines.