AWS Glue and Athena

ETL Workflow Guide using Glue Studio with S3, and Athena

What is AWS Athena?

- A query service that makes it easy to analyze data in Amazon S3
- Serverless
- Easy to Use
- Supports the following data formats
 - Parquet (Optimized Row Columnar)
 - JSON
 - Avro
 - CSV
 - ORC (Optimized Row Columnar)
- Pay per query executed

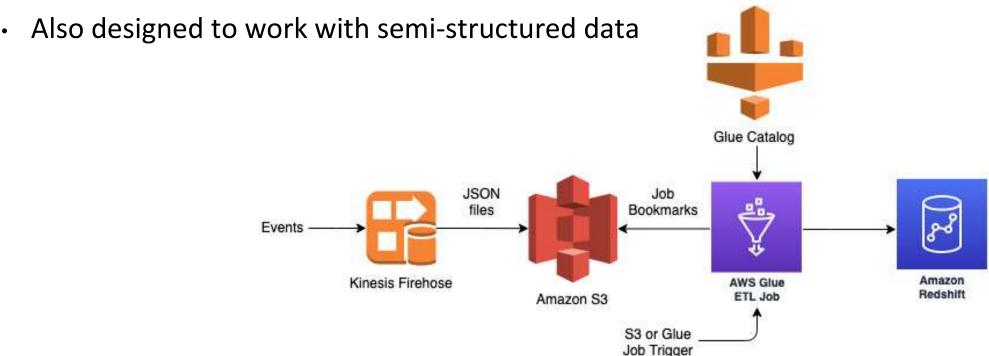
Data

- Create se bucket named: <your-name>_data_lake
- Upload the CSV file to the S3 bucket
 - https://www.stats.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Annual-enterprise-survey/Annualenterprise-survey-2019-financial-year-provisional/Download-data/annual-enterprisesurvey-2019-financial-year-provisional-size-bands-csv.csv



What is Glue?

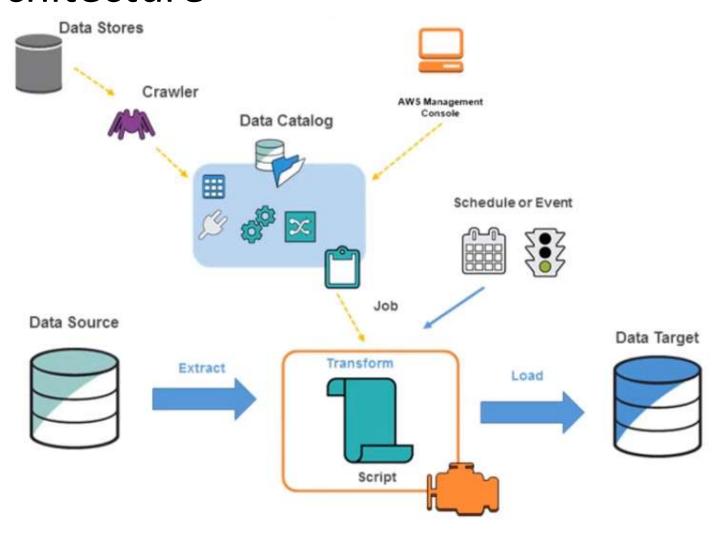
- A serverless, fully-managed, and cloud-optimized ETL service
- Runs on a Apache spark (https://spark.apache.org) environment
- Can be used when we need to clean, organise and format data



Glue Benefits

- Server-less
- Has crawlers which identifies your data, suggest schemas and stores into a central catalog table
- Glue ETL engine automatically generates Python/Scala code
- We can build ETL pipelines
- With the support of Glue catalog, we can directly query S3 data using Athena
- Integrated with wide range of AWS services which helps us to build eventdriven ETL pipelines
- API and AWS CLI support for all Glue operations.
- Scales resources as needed to run your jobs
- Retry tasks and handle errors automatically
- Less hassle and cost effective

Glue Architecture



Glue Components

- Crawlers
 - To populate tables in Glue Catalog
- Classifier
 - Checks if the given file is in pre-defined format or not
 - There are a couple of defined formats in Glue like: CSV, JSON, XML
 - We can also create or custom our own classifier
- Glue data catalog
 - Central repository of the metadata for our all data assets
 - Stores the table definition, location and many different attributes.
- Job authoring
 - Generates ETL code in Python and Scala
- Job execution/ Scheduler
 - Handles dependency, monitoring and alerting of the jobs

AWS Glue Use Cases

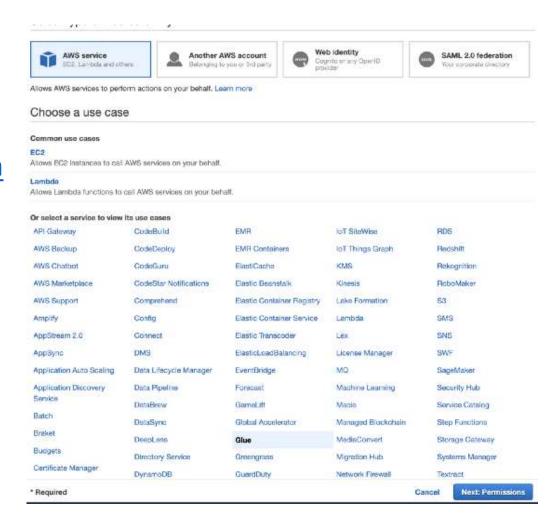
- To build data warehouse to organize, cleanse, validate and format data
- To run server-less queries against your Amazon S3 data lake
- To create event driven ETL pipelines
- To understand data assets

Crawler we will use

- There are multiple ways to connect to our data store
 - Crawler is the most popular method among ETL engineers
 - This Crawler will crawl the data from my S3, and based on available data, it will create a table schema.
- AWS Glue can be used to load a csv file from an S3 bucket into Glue, and then run SQL queries on this data in Athena.

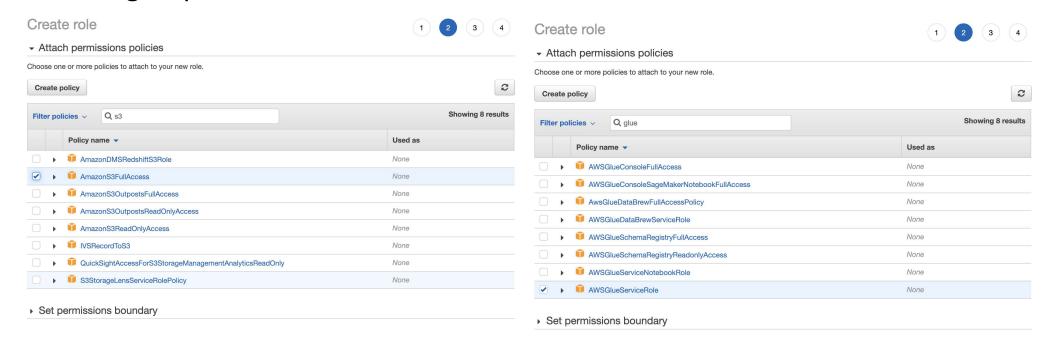
Create an IAM role

- Create a role to give permission to different logged-in users.
- Go to <u>https://console.aws.amazon.com/ia m/</u>
- Click on "Roles"
- Click "Create Role" button
- Choose Service "Glue" and click on next.



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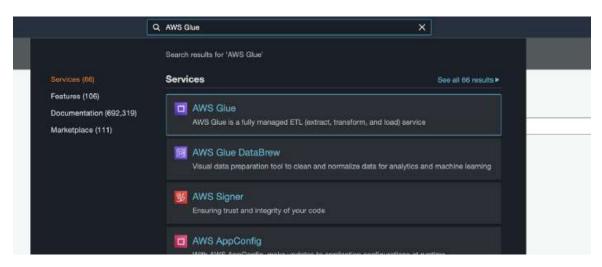
Then give permission to Glue and S3.



- Enter a role name (eg, AWSGlueServiceRole) and give some description about the role then
- Click on the "Create role" button and that's it a new role is created.

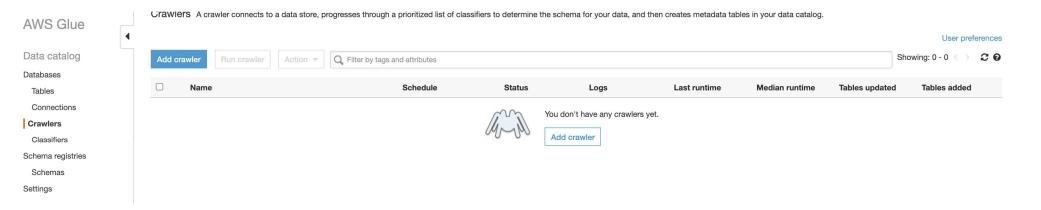
Configure AWS Glue Operation

- We are using AWS Glue to organize, cleanse, validate, and format data that is stored in S3.
- Search for "AWS Glue" in the AWS console and click on "crawlers".



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 Click on Add Crawler and enter the crawler name (eg, dataLakeCrawler) and click on the "Next button".



- Select the data store as "S3" and give the path of the data that we have stored in our S3 bucket and click on "Next"
- Now skip adding another data store for now and click on "Next".

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Select the IAM role which we have created before and click "Next"



- Select the "Run on Demand" option and click "Next".
- Click on "Add Database" and give the name "data-lake-db" then, click on "Next".
- Review the AWS Glue crawler configuration and click on "Finish"

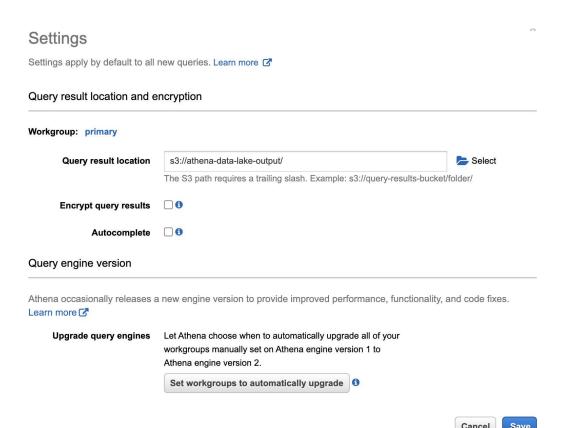
Running Query in Athena

- We can now
 - Go to AWS Athena
 - Select the database that we have created above (data-lake-db)
 - Execute our query using standard MySQL
 - SELECT * FROM "data-lake-db"."<your-name>_data_lake" limit 10;



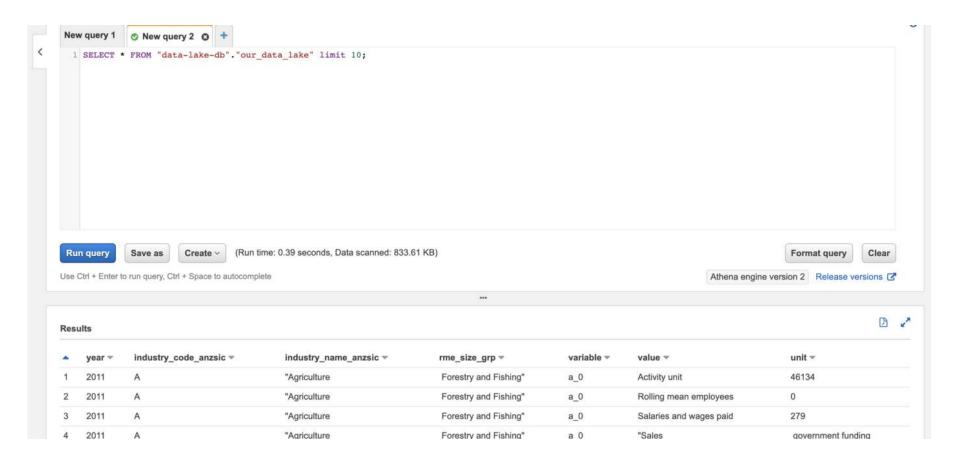
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- We got an error stating that we need to provide "Output Location" before executing the query
- Now create an S3 bucket name as "athena-data-lake-output" and store the output of the query in this bucket by clicking on the "set up a query result location in Amazon S3" tab on the Athena management console



Running Query in Athena

• Finally, we can run the same query and analyze the output.



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