Lecture 15: Cloud Computing II (Prediction)

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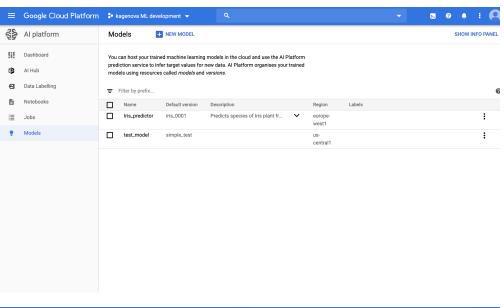
You can do all I am doing from the command line using the gcloud and gsutil Command Line Interfaces (CLIs).

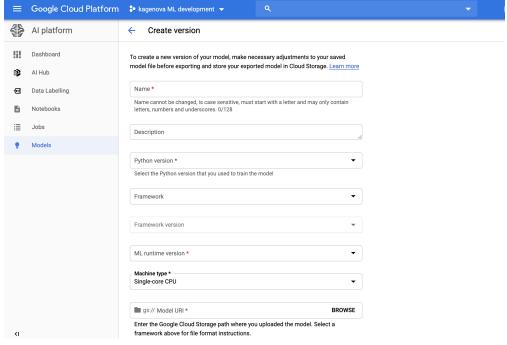
I'm using the web UI here to make it clearer.

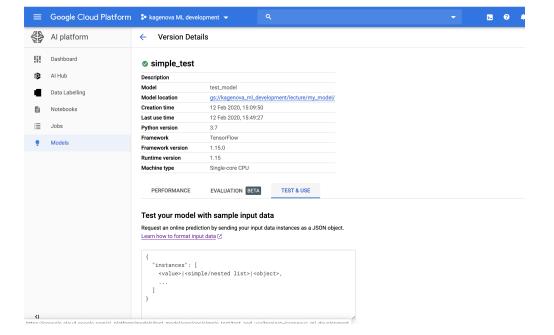
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- Can use TensorFlow serving
- Much better to use AI platform as the serving will scale and control access







Things to consider

- The model must be in the correct format (i.e. a save_model in TensorFlow)
- Limit on the size of the model (must be less than 256MB)
- Can scale to meet demand so great for the backend of a website
- Can create your own prediction code (known as custom prediction)
 - The code does not have access to the hard disk
- This should be seen a function in a microservice
 - The model should require as little pre or postprossing of the data as possible
 - People will add this to the model or use a custom prediction

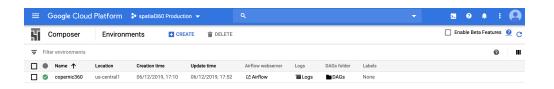
Other versions

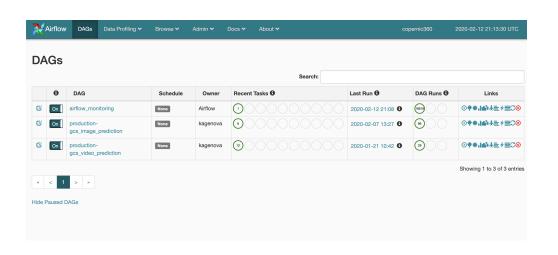
• AWS have Amazon SageMaker https://aws.amazon.com/machine-learning/ (https://aws.amazon.com/machine-learning/)

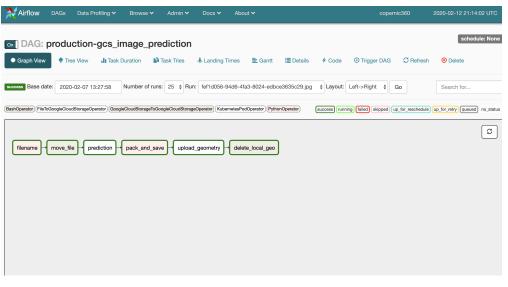
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- Build simple or complex data transform jobs
- Easy to
 - build
 - debug
 - monitor
- Best to use for regular jobs, e.g. once a day, minute etc.
- Can be used for one-off jobs (just not too often, as they can not be set off more then 10⁶ per sec)
- See https://airflow.apache.org/) and https://cloud.google.com/composer)







```
assembler = PythonOperator(
    task_id=f"assemble_predictions",
    python_callable=assemble_predictions,
    op_args=(
        "{{ti.xcom_pull('sampler')}}",
       *(f"{{{ti.xcom_pull('prediction{i}')}}}}" for i in range(nworkers)),
    ),
save = PythonOperator(
    task_id=f"save",
    python_callable=save_params,
    op_args=(local_geo, "{{ti.xcom_pull('assemble_predictions')}}"),
    op_kwargs={"packer": pack_video, "version": params["6dof_version"]},
upload = FileToGoogleCloudStorageOperator(
    task_id="upload_geometry",
    src=local_geo,
    bucket=gcs_geo.bucket,
    dst=gcs_geo.blob,
delete_local_geo = BashOperator(
    task_id="delete_local_geo", bash_command=f"rm {local_geo}"
filename >> mover >> [
    detect_transitions,
    frame rate,
] >> sampling >> key_frames >> predictions >> assembler >> save >> upload
delete_local_geo << upload</pre>
return dag
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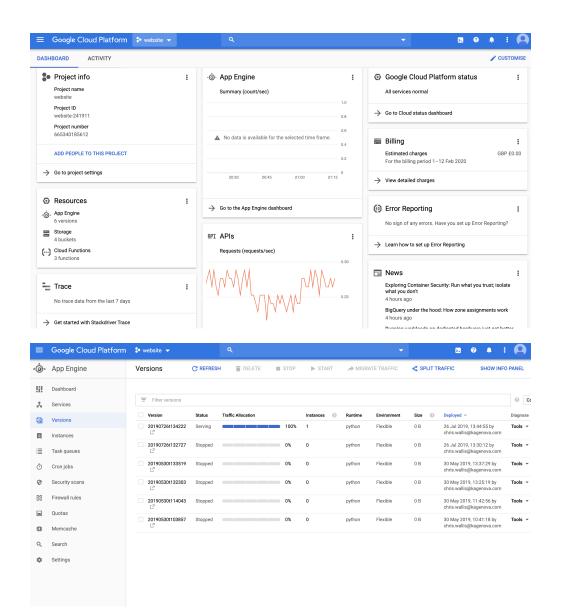
Virtual Machines are great but, as we saw with the AI platform, there can be easy to use setups in GCP.

What do we need:

- The abilty to scale
- Connections to internet managed for us
 - URL is auto created
 - You can point a domain you own to the auto generated URL
- Simple way to write code
 - Every page or end point you want is simply a function you can write

We can use the Google App Engine (GAE) for this.

• See https://cloud.google.com/appengine)



Flask

- <u>Flask (https://www.fullstackpython.com/flask.html)</u> is a simple web-app python package.
- Each part of a website is an endpoint.
 - Endpoints can take data (json or other universal formats)
 - They can return data or page (eg html code).
- Endpoints are created using a simple function decorator.
- See https://github.com/rmotr/example-flask-app/blob/master/rmotr/app.py) for a good simple example

```
@app.route('/add', methods=['POST'])
def add_course():
    if not session.get('logged_in'):
       abort(401)
    name = request.form['name']
    instructor = request.form['instructor']
    description = request.form['description']
    if not all([name, instructor]):
       flash('ERROR. Missing data.', 'error')
    else:
       g.db.execute(
           'insert into courses (name, instructor, description) values (?, ?, ?)',
           [name, instructor, description])
       g.db.commit()
       flash('New entry was successfully posted')
    return redirect(url_for(DEFAULT_VIEW))
```

Things to consider

- There is a Standard version:
 - The code cannot write or read from disk
 - Language and platform have more restrictions
 - Deployment is faster
 - Scaling is more responsive
- There is a Flexible version
 - Can have a much larger choice over what is deployed (using Docker to provision the VM)
 - Can read and write from disk
 - Deployment is slower
 - Scalling is less responsive
- Can read from GCS but this is slow (can lead to slow apps)
- Deployment is fast (a few tens of seconds to a couple of minutes)

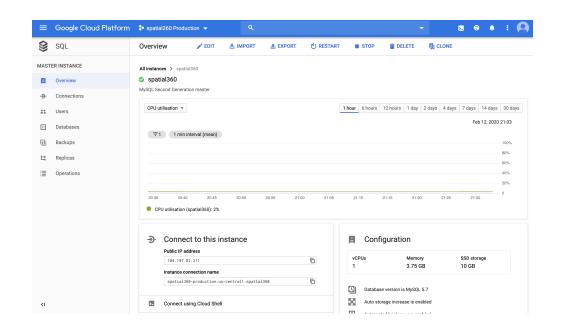
Other versions

AWS haver product called Elastic Beanstalk https://aws.amazon.com/elasticbeanstalk/. As GAE it allows you build web apps that can scale to meet the demand.

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- Database to store results from an experiment or users' data to a website or service
- Better to use Cloud SQL as all the connections and serving are done for you
- Can allow access through a simple UI or code to any account

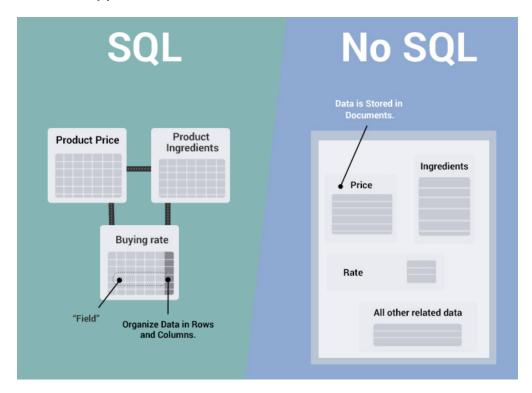


Things to consider

- There a lots of options for speed and reliable databases:
 - Cloud Spanner
 - Cloud SQL
 - Cloud Bigtable
 - Cloud Firestore
 - Firebase Realtime Database
 - Cloud Memorystore
- There could be a whole two lectures on the differences and benefits.
- Cloud SQL database is flexible and probably good for most use cases, unless scalabilty and speed is a must.
- The are two main differences relational or document based

SQL or No SQL

• Tablular or Json data types



SQL



Relational Data Model

- **Pros** > Easy to use and setup.
 - > Universal, compatible with many tools.
 - > Good at high-performance workloads.
 - > Good at structure data.

- **Cons** > Time consuming to understand and design the structure of the database.
 - > Can be difficult to scale.

No SQL



Document Data Model

- **Pros** > No investment to design model.
 - > Rapid development cycles.
 - > In general faster than SQL.
 - > Runs well on the cloud.

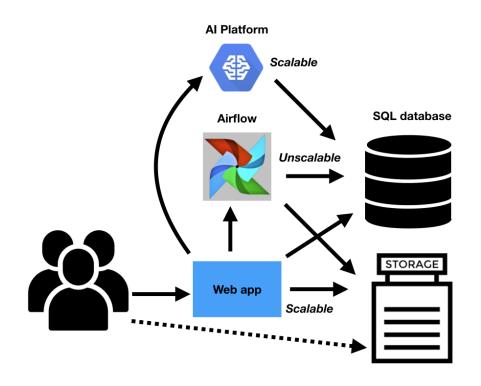
- Cons > Unsuited for interconnected data.
 - > Technology still maturing.
 - > Can have slower response time.

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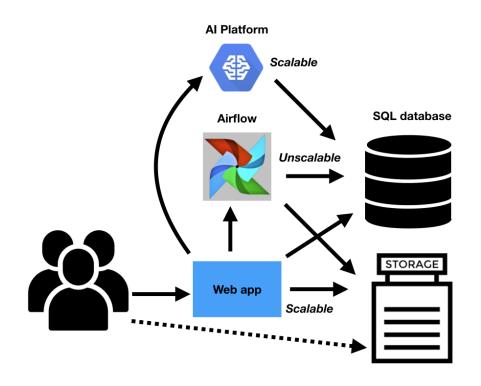
AWS has Amazon RDS for SQL Server which seems to be the same

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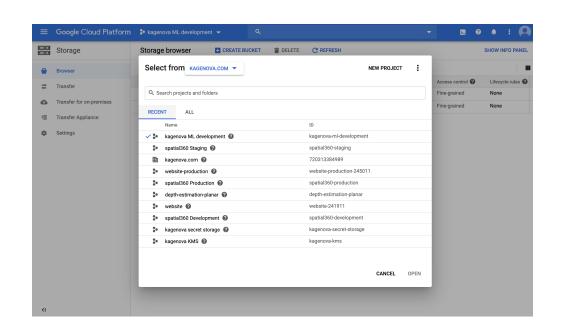


- In principle we could break the app up even further
 - Cloud function (GCP) and lamda functions (AWS) are endpoints that scale and perform simple tasks.
 - We could break some of the web app into many cloud functions then each would scale separately.
 - This way one endpoint can not effect any others (therefore much more stable)

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- As you can probably see in service there will be many microservice each performing their own tasks.
- In development we need to be able to try new versions
- This would be very risky if we didn't completly seperate **development** code from **production** code.



Things to consider

- You will need an automated way to deploy these services.
- Having a staging website allows easy viewing of new features in a website

Other versions

AWS use different AWS Accounts to perform the same seperation.