

DEPLOYING PYTHON APPLICATIONS ON GOOGLE CLOUD PLATFORM (GCP)



SERVICES

Google Compute Engine
(GCE)



Google Kubernetes Engine
(GKE)



Cloud Functions



Google App Engine
(GAE)



Cloud Run



**MORE CUSTOMIZABLE
MORE COMPLEX APPS
CONTINUOUS DEMAND**

**MORE AUTOMATIC
LESS COMPLEX APPS
SPORADIC DEMAND**



GOOGLE COMPUTE ENGINE (GCE)

WHAT IS IT?

- **Infrastructure as a Service** ⓘ (IaaS).
- Creation and management of virtual machines (VMs): instances.
- All management is done by the developer.

KEY FEATURES

- VMs with a high level of customization: CPU, memory, disk, operating system.
- Persistent disks attached to the VMs.
- Boot disks: choose or create your image.
- Network: easy connection to other GCP services and the internet.
- Allows **load balancing** ⓘ and **autoscaling** ⓘ.
- Security: firewalls, identity/access management, and encryption.
- Best cost-benefit for long or continuous runs.



GOOGLE COMPUTE ENGINE (GCE)

USE CASES

- Web applications
- Data processing
- Machine learning
- Game Servers
- Development and testing

PROS

- Total control over the environment.
- Complex applications with specific needs.
- Cost-effective for long workloads.


CONS

- Need for management.
- More complex to set up and maintain.



GOOGLE APP ENGINE (GAE)

WHAT IS It?

- **Serverless**  solution fully managed by GCP.
- Developers only care about the code.


KEY FEATURES

- Fully managed.
- Serverless.
- Scalability.
- Two deployment environments: standard and flexible.
- The cost is per resource used.



GOOGLE APP ENGINE (GAE)

USE CASES

- Web applications
- **APIs**  **backend** 
- **Microservices** 

PROS

- Ease of use.
- Scalability.
- Serverless service flexibility with autoscaling.



CONS

- Vendor locking.
- Limited control.
- Pricing for large apps.



GOOGLE KUBERNETES ENGINE (GKE)

WHAT IS IT?

- Managed environment for deploying **containerized**  applications.
- Built on top of the **Kubernetes**  system (K8S, open source): nodes and clusters.
- Simplifies container orchestration: deployment, scaling, and load balancing.
- Developers only care about the code.



KEY FEATURES

- Fully managed, serverless.
- Almost unlimited scalability.
- High availability.
- Safety.
- Integration with GCP services.
- The cost is per resource used.



GOOGLE KUBERNETES ENGINE (GKE)

USE CASES

- Legacy application modernization.
- Cloud-native applications.
- *DevOps*  and *CI/CD*  pipelines.
- Machine Learning.

PROS

- Simplified Kubernetes management.
- Scalability and elasticity.
- Serverless service flexibility with autoscaling.

CONS

- Vendor locking.
- Limited control.
- Pricing for large apps.



CLOUD RUN

WHAT IS IT?

- Managed environment for deploying containerized applications.
- Designed to make it easy to build and deploy scalable applications.

KEY FEATURES

- Fully managed, serverless.
- Event-driven.
- The cost is per resource used.



CLOUD RUN

USE CASES

- Microservices.
- Web applications.
- API backend.
- Data processing pipelines.

PROS

- Easy to use.

CONS

- Cold start.
- Vendor linking.
- Limited control.



CLOUD FUNCTIONS

WHAT IS IT?

- Managed environment for deploying applications that perform functions.
- They are triggered by events such as HTTP requests, database changes, or messages.


KEY FEATURES

- Fully managed, serverless.
- Event-driven.
- The cost is per resource used.



CLOUD FUNCTIONS

USE CASES

- Simple web applications.
- API **endpoints** .
- Data processing.
- Image processing.
- Workflow automation.

PROS

- Easy to use.

CONS

- Limited runtime.
- Depuration.
- Cold start.
- Vendor linking.

IN THIS COURSE...

- Train a simple machine learning algorithm for image classification
- Develop a Flask application to use the trained algorithm to make predictions
- Deploy a simple app that serves the algorithm in a production environment, using the 5 GCP services presented.