GOOGLE TAGMANAGER

INTRODUCTION

- ► Google Tag Manager (GTM) is a free solution, introduced in October 2012.
- ► GTM is for managing Google Analytics, advertising and other tracking tags across your website or multiple websites.

What is Google Tag Manager?

According to Google:

"Google Tag Manager allows you to conveniently manage tags (such as tracking and marketing optimization tags) on your site. You can add and update AdWords, Google Analytics and non-Google tags from the Google Tag Manager user interface instead of editing site code. This reduces errors, frees you from having to involve a webmaster, and allows you to quickly deploy tags on your site."

- Tags are tiny bits of website code that send information to third party to measure you measure traffic, visitor behavior etc.
- If you don't use a tag management solution such as Tag Manager, you need to add these snippets of code directly to files on your website or mobile app.
- ➤ With Tag Manager, you no longer need to maintain each of these code snippets in your source files
- You specify the tags that you want to fire, and when you want them to fire, from within the Tag Manager user interface.

How Google Tags Works?

- > Tag Manager for web works via its own container tag that you place on all your website pages
- You place a small snippet of code on your website or mobile app.

 This code connects your app to the Tag Manager servers.
- Once the Tag Manager container tag has been added to your site or app, you update, add, and administer additional tags right from the Tag Manager web application.
- You can configure triggers to fire when an event occurs. An event could be a page load, a form submission, or a tap on a screen.
 When the trigger fires the tag, the tag's code executes.
- Google Tag Manager executes asynchronously and can be configured to fire tags only when they are needed, helping your pages to load more quickly

Benefits with GTM:-

- > To Manage tags outside of development work.
- GTM can be used in both Mobile sites and Normal sites.
- Decrease page load time by firing tags in GTM.
- GTM makes tag management very efficient
- > It is free.

Main Parts of Google Tag Manager

- ➤ Tags Tell GTM what you want it to do. For example, "Send a page view to Google Analytics."
- > **Triggers** Tell GTM *when* you want it to fire a tag. For example, "Anytime someone visits a page."
- Variable-In Google Tag Manager, the term Variable is used to denote a helper function that your Tags, Triggers, and other Variables can invoke to retrieve values from. Invoking syntax .{{variablename}}

Initial Setup

Just visit the Google Tag Manger page and sign in. Follow the steps to create your first account and you'll be asked to set up something called a "container".

Typically, you'll create a container for each website you'll want to track.

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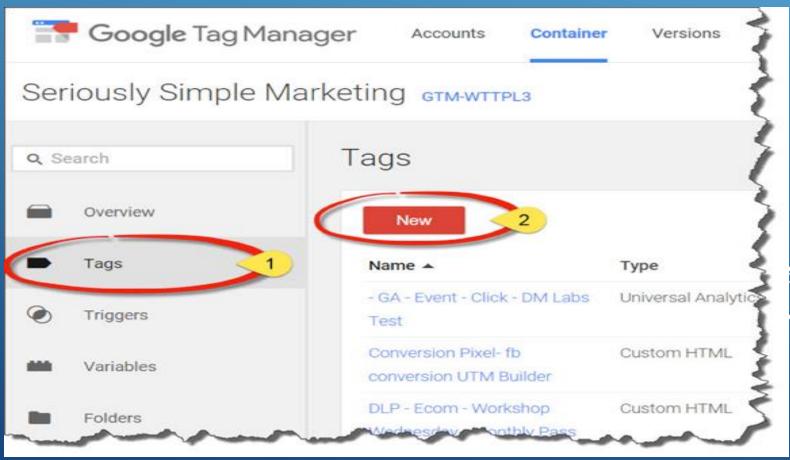
Once you've created your account, and your first container, GTM will give you a snippet of code that looks like this:

Just copy and paste this code so it's right after the opening <body> tag of your site .

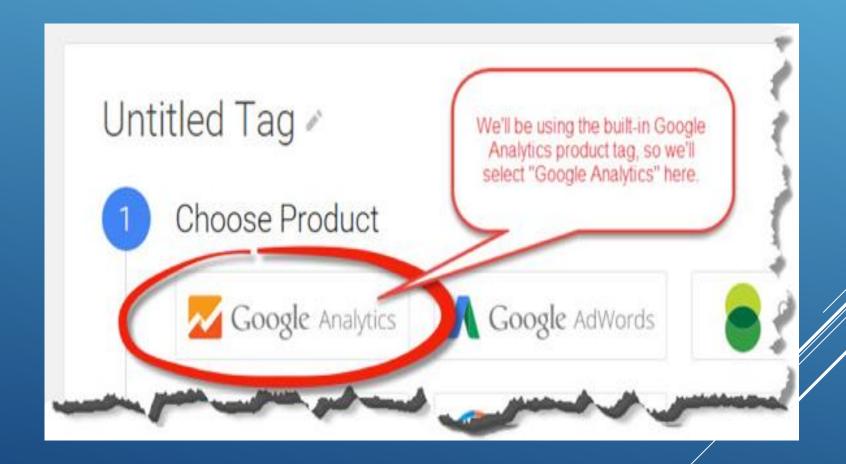
Usage with Google Analytics.

Step #1: Create a New Tag

Create a new tag by clicking on "Tags" on the left menu and then "New".

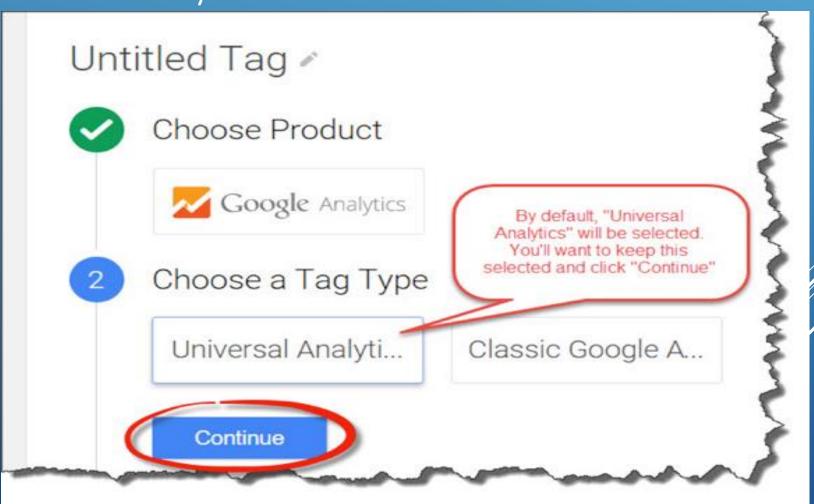


Google Tag Manager will then want to know which type of product you would like to create a tag for. Fortunately, Google Analytics is deeply integrated with GTM. We'll take advantage of this integration by selecting "Google Analytics."



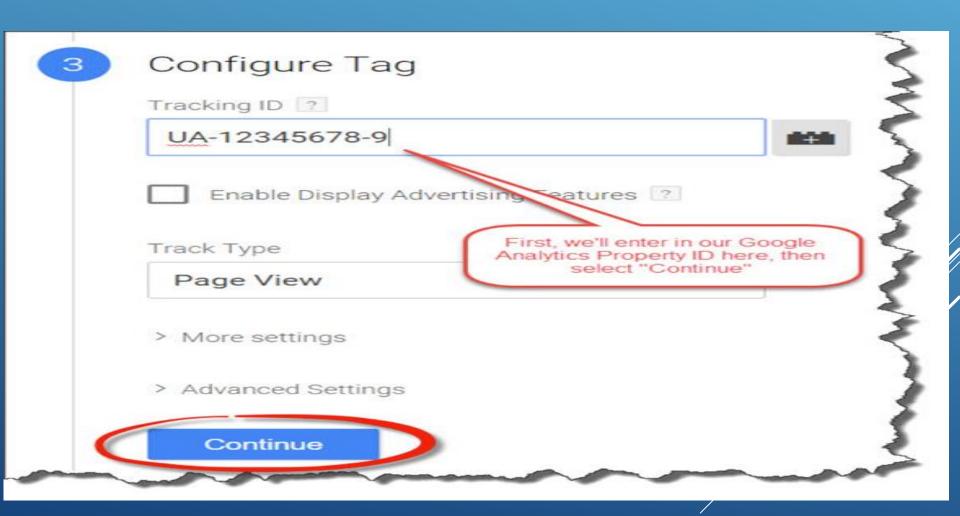
Choose Your Analytics

From there, GTM will ask you if you want to use Universal or Classic Analytics. You'll want to use Universal Analytics. It's selected by default and is the newest version of GA.



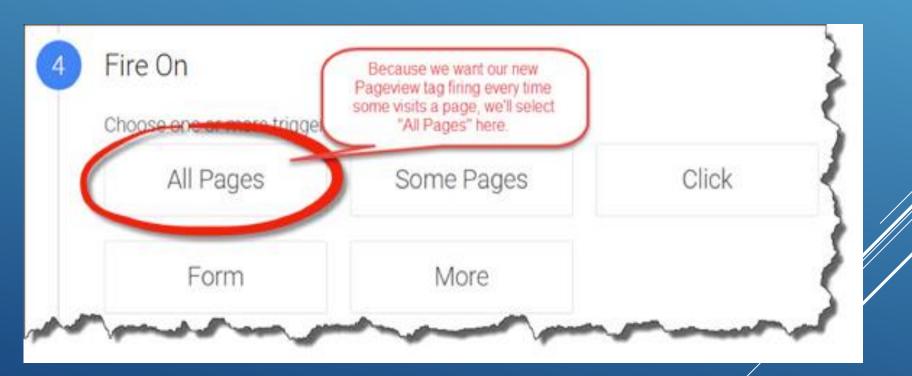
Configure Your Tag

In this case, we'll need to type in our Property ID. "UA-12345678-9" as an example here.



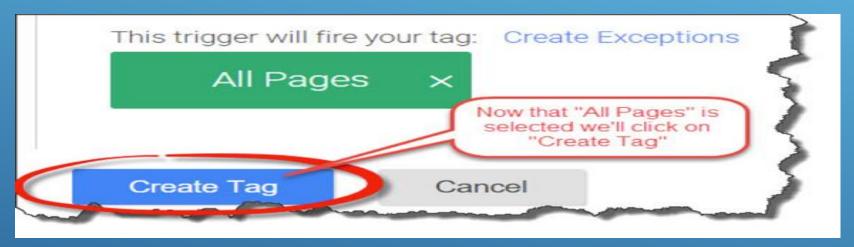
Define Your Trigger

After clicking "Continue", we'll need to define the Trigger..In this case, we want it to report Page views whenever someone visits a page, so we'll select "All Pages" from the list of built-in Triggers listed.



Create & Name Your Tag

Once we've selected "All Pages", we'll click "Create Tag".



Google Tag Manager will ask us for a name for our new Tag. We'll call it "GA – Page view".



Publish Your Tag

You'll need to "Publish" your changes before they become live In the upper right corner of your page, you'll see how many changes are currently waiting to be published and the "Publish" button.



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Once you click "Publish" your changes are live and your newly created Page view tag is officially passing data to Google Analytics!

And there you have it. Your first tag, telling GTM to send a Page view to Google Analytics and your first trigger, telling GTM to send that Page view every time a page is loaded.