Using BigQuery and Cloud Logging to Analyze BigQuery Usage

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Google Cloud Self-Paced Labs

Overview

Cloud Logging allows you to store, search, analyze, monitor, and alert on log data and events from the Google Cloud including BigQuery. Stackdriver also provides the ability to export certain logs to sinks such as Cloud Pub/Sub, Cloud Storage or BigQuery.

In this lab you view the BigQuery logs inside Cloud Logging, setup a sink to export them back into BigQuery, and then use SQL to analyze the logs.

Setup and Requirements

Before you click the Start Lab button

Read these instructions. Labs are timed and you cannot pause them. The timer, which starts when you click **Start Lab**, shows how long Google Cloud resources will be made available to you.

This Qwiklabs hands-on lab lets you do the lab activities yourself in a real cloud environment, not in a simulation or demo environment. It does so by giving you new, temporary credentials that you use to sign in and access Google Cloud for the duration of the lab.

What you need

To complete this lab, you need:

- Access to a standard internet browser (Chrome browser recommended).
- Time to complete the lab.

Note: If you already have your own personal Google Cloud account or project, do not use it for this lab.

Note: If you are using a Pixelbook, open an Incognito window to run this lab.

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

1. Click the **Start Lab** button. If you need to pay for the lab, a pop-up opens for you to select your payment method. On the left is a panel populated with the temporary credentials that you must use for this lab.

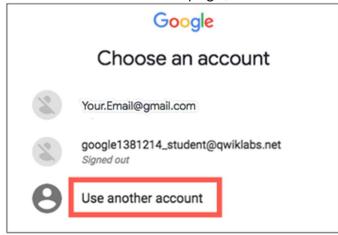


2. Copy the username, and then click **Open Google Console**. The lab spins up resources, and then opens another tab that shows the **Sign in** page.



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 copied from the Connection Details panel. Then copy and paste the password.

Important: You must use the credentials from the Connection Details panel. Do not use your Qwiklabs credentials. If you have your own Google Cloud account, do not use it for this lab (avoids incurring charges).

- 4. Click through the subsequent pages:
 - Accept the terms and conditions.
 - Do not add recovery options or two-factor authentication (because this is a temporary account).
 - Do not sign up for free trials.

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 topleft.



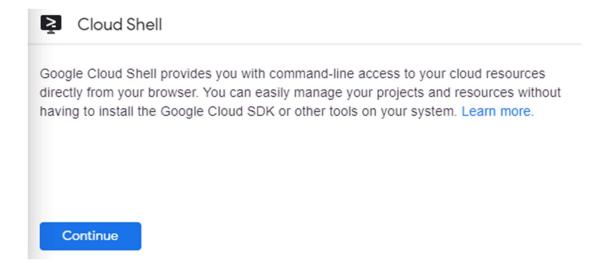
Activate Cloud Shell

Cloud Shell is a virtual machine that is loaded with development tools. It offers a persistent 5GB home directory and runs on the Google Cloud. Cloud Shell provides command-line access to your Google Cloud resources.

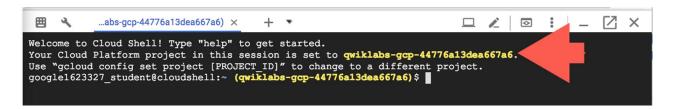
In the Cloud Console, in the top right toolbar, click the **Activate Cloud Shell** button.



Click Continue.



It takes a few moments to provision and connect to the environment. When you are connected, you are already authenticated, and the project is set to your *PROJECT_ID*. For example:



gcloud is the command-line tool for Google Cloud. It comes pre-installed on Cloud Shell and supports tab-completion.

You can list the active account name with this command:

```
gcloud auth list
(Output)

Credentialed accounts:
    - <myaccount>@<mydomain>.com (active)
(Example output)

Credentialed accounts:
    - google1623327 student@gwiklabs.net
You can list the project ID with this command:

gcloud config list project
(Output)

[core]
project = <project ID>
(Example output)

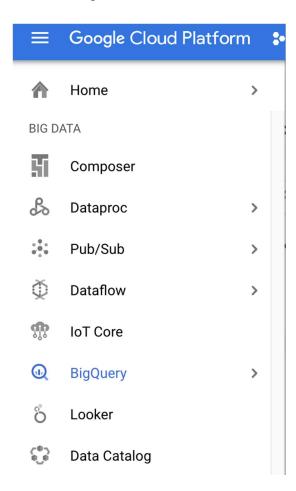
[core]
project = qwiklabs-gcp-44776a13dea667a6
```

For full documentation of gcloud see the gcloud command-line tool overview.

Open BigQuery

Open BigQuery Console

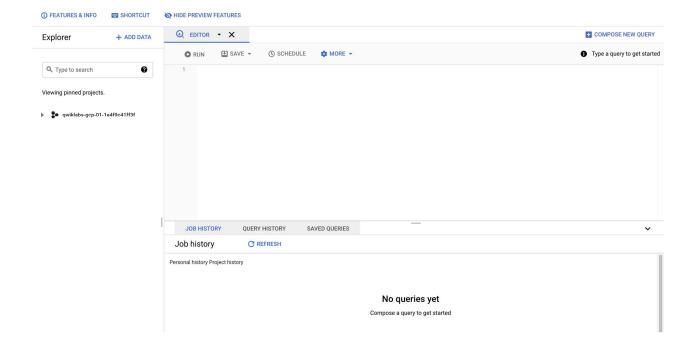
In the Google Cloud Console, select **Navigation menu > BigQuery**:



The **Welcome to BigQuery in the Cloud Console** message box opens. This message box provides a link to the quickstart guide and the release notes.

Click Done.

The BigQuery console opens.



Create a Dataset

- 1. Under the **Explorer** section, click on the resource starting with *qwiklabs-gcp-*.
- 2. Click CREATE DATASET.
- 3. Set *Dataset ID* to **bq_logs**.
- 4. Click Create dataset.

Click Check my progress to verify the objective.

Run a query

First, run a simple query, which generates a log in Stackdriver. Later you use this log to easily setup the log export from Stackdriver to BigQuery.

1. Copy and paste the following query into the BigQuery Query editor:

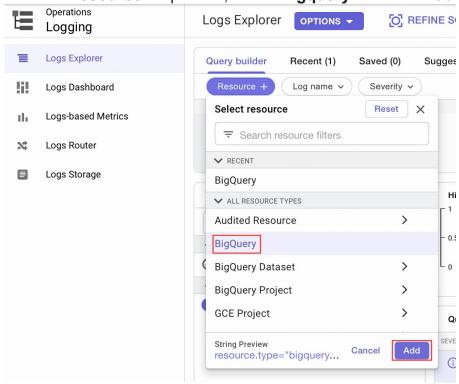
SELECT current date

2. Click Run.

Setup Log Export from Cloud Logging

1. In the Cloud Console, select **Navigation menu > Logging > Logs Explorer**. **Note**: If prompted, Click LEAVE for Unsaved work.

2. In Resource drop-down, select Bigquery and click Add.



3. Now, click Run Query.

A few log entries from our query should appear.

Look for the entry that contains the word "jobcompleted".



4. Click on the triangle on the left to open up the entry and then click on **Expand nested fields** on the right hand side.

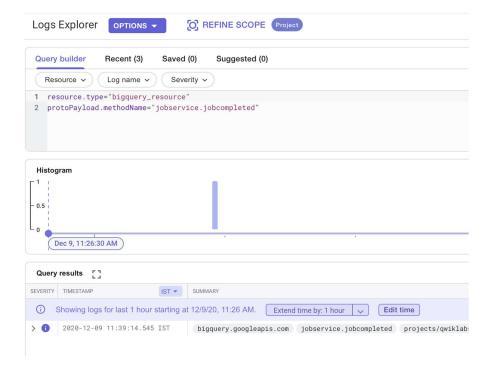


This shows the full JSON log entry, scroll down and have a look at the different fields.

5. Then scroll back up to the header of the entry, click on 'jobcompleted' and choose **Show Matching Entries**.



This sets up the search with the correct terms.



Create Sink

Now you have the logs you need, it is easy to setup the sink.

1. Click **Create Sink** from the **Actions** drop-down.



- 2. Fill in the fields as follows:
- Sink name: JobComplete and click next.
- Select sink service: BigQuery dataset
- Select Bigquery dataset (Destination): bq_logs (The dataset you setup previously)
 - 3. Click Create Sink.
 - 4. Click CLOSE.

Any subsequent log entries from BigQuery are now exported to a table in the **bq_logs** dataset.

Click Check my progress to verify the objective.

Run example queries

To populate your new table with some logs, you need to run some example queries.

Navigate to **Cloud Shell**, then add each of the following BigQuery command line commands into Cloud Shell:

```
bq query --location=us --use_legacy_sql=false --use_cache=false \
'SELECT fullName, AVG(CL.numberOfYears) avgyears
FROM `bigquery-samples.nested.persons_living`, UNNEST(citiesLived) as CL
GROUP BY fullname'
bq query --location=us --use_legacy_sql=false --use_cache=false \
'select month, avg(mean_temp) as avgtemp from `bigquery-samples.weather_geo.gsod`
```

```
where station number = 947680
and year = 2010
group by month
order by month'
bq query --location=us --use_legacy_sql=false --use_cache=false \
'select CONCAT(departure airport, "-", arrival_airport) as route, count(*) as numberflights
from `bigquery-samples.airline_ontime_data.airline_id_codes` ac,
`bigquery-samples.airline_ontime_data.flights` fl
where ac.code = fl.airline_code
and regexp_contains(ac.airline , r"Alaska")
group by 1
order by 2 desc
LIMIT 10'
```

You should see the results of each query returned.

Click *Check my progress* to verify the objective.

Viewing the logs in BigQuery

- Navigate back to BigQuery (Navigation menu > BigQuery).
- Expand your resource starting with the name qwiklabs-gcp- and inspect your dataset bq_logs.

The name may vary, but you should see a "cloudaudit_googleapis_com_data_access_2019-06-19" table.

3. Inspect the schema of the table and note it has a very large number of fields. If you tried to Preview and wondered why it doesn't show the logs for our recently run queries it is because the logs are streamed into the table, which means that the new data can be queried but won't show up in Preview for a little while.

To make the table more usable, you create a **VIEW**, which pulls out subset of fields and also perform some calculations to derive a metric for query time.

4. In the BigQuery Query editor, run the following SQL after replacing with the name of your project (the Project ID is easily copied from the left side of the lab page).

```
CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW

bq_logs.v_querylogs AS

SELECT

resource.labels.project_id,

protopayload_auditlog.authenticationInfo.principalEmail,

protopayload_auditlog.servicedata_v1_bigquery.jobCompletedEvent.job.jobConfiguration.qu
ery.query,
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ery.statementType,
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SlotMs,
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s.referencedTables)) as tables ref,
protopayload auditlog.servicedata v1 bigguery.jobCompletedEvent.job.jobStatistics.total
TablesProcessed,
protopayload auditlog.servicedata v1 bigquery.jobCompletedEvent.job.jobStatistics.query
OutputRowCount,
  severity
ORDER BY
 startTime
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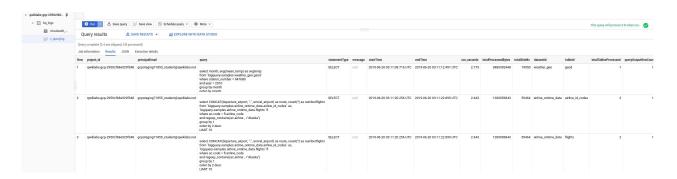
Click *Check my progress* to verify the objective.

5. Now query the VIEW. Clear the previous query and run the following command:

```
SELECT * FROM bq logs.v querylogs
```

6. Explore the results.

View the three queries that you executed in the previous step, similar to the image below.



Congratulations!

This concluded the self-paces lab, Using BigQuery and Stackdriver to Analyze BigQuery Usage. You successfully exported BigQuery logs from Stackdriver and then returned to BigQuery for easy analysis with SQL.



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