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You want to migrate an Apache Spark 3 batch job from on-premises to Google Cloud. You need to minimally change the job so that the job reads from Cloud Storage and writes the result to BigQuery. Your job is optimized for Spark, where each executor has 8 vCPU and 16 GB memory, and you want to be able to choose similar settings. You want to minimize installation and management effort to run your job. What should you do?

- A. Execute the job as part of a deployment in a new Google Kubernetes Engine cluster.
- B. Execute the job from a new Compute Engine VM.
- C. Execute the job in a new Dataproc cluster.
- D. Execute as a Dataproc Serverless job.

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by [mcdaley](#) at Dec. 7, 2024, 2:45 p.m.

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Selected Answer: D

Priority is "minimize installation and management effort" which is done via Dataproc Serverless. Furthermore, with Dataproc serverless you can still specify resource settings for your job, such as the number of vCPUs and memory per executor (<https://cloud.google.com/dataproc-serverless/docs/concepts/properties>)

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" where each executor has 8 vCPU and 16 GB memory, and you want to be able to choose similar settings."

minimize effort by using dataproc not GKE or vms..

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Selected Answer: D

D is the best answer - It allows Dataproc serverless allows to specify executor configurations like vCPU and memory settings (e.g., executor cores and memory) to match the current setup as is specified.

C is a valid but sub-optimal choice — while we can specify vCPUs and memory similar to our on-prem setup but it requires provisioning and managing clusters, which we want to avoid. it requires slightly more effort compared to Dataproc Serverless.

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I agree that minimizing installation and management means using Dataproc Serverless.

Also, Serverless can be configured with up to 16 VPU and up to 29696m of memory in for the premium tier.

[https://cloud.google.com/dataproc-serverless/docs/concepts/properties#:~:text=Total%20driver%20memory%20per%20driver%20core%2C%20including%20driver%20memory%20overhead%2C%20which%20must%20be%20between%201024m%20and%207424m%20for%20the%20Standard%20compute%20tier%20\(24576m%20for%20the%20Premium%20compute%20tier\).%20For%20example%2C%20if%20spark.driver.cores%20%3D%204%2C%20then%204096m%20%3C%3D%20spark.driver.memory%20%2B%20spark.driver.memoryOverhead%20%3C%3D%2029696m.](https://cloud.google.com/dataproc-serverless/docs/concepts/properties#:~:text=Total%20driver%20memory%20per%20driver%20core%2C%20including%20driver%20memory%20overhead%2C%20which%20must%20be%20between%201024m%20and%207424m%20for%20the%20Standard%20compute%20tier%20(24576m%20for%20the%20Premium%20compute%20tier).%20For%20example%2C%20if%20spark.driver.cores%20%3D%204%2C%20then%204096m%20%3C%3D%20spark.driver.memory%20%2B%20spark.driver.memoryOverhead%20%3C%3D%2029696m.)

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Selected Answer: C

Needs to be able to configure "similar settings"

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Selected Answer: C

It's not possible to specify a machine type using Dataproc Serverless

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Selected Answer: C

I choice "C", just: "where each executor has 8 vCPU and 16 GB memory, and you want to be able to choose similar settings"

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Selected Answer: D

Dataproc Serverless allows you to run Spark jobs without needing to manage the underlying infrastructure. It automatically handles resource provisioning and scaling, which simplifies the process and reduces management overhead

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Selected Answer: C

Dataproc supports Spark 3, ensuring compatibility with your existing job.

It also allows you to customize the cluster configuration, including the number of executors, vCPUs, and memory per executor, to match your on-premises setup (8 vCPU and 16 GB memory)

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