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An aerospace company uses a proprietary data format to store its flight data. You need to connect this new data source to BigQuery and stream the data into BigQuery. You want to efficiently import the data into BigQuery while consuming as few resources as possible. What should you do?

- A. Write a shell script that triggers a Cloud Function that performs periodic ETL batch jobs on the new data source.
- B. Use a standard Dataflow pipeline to store the raw data in BigQuery, and then transform the format later when the data is used.
- C. Use Apache Hive to write a Dataproc job that streams the data into BigQuery in CSV format.
- D. Use an Apache Beam custom connector to write a Dataflow pipeline that streams the data into BigQuery in Avro format.




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by **ducc** at Sept. 3, 2022, 3:52 a.m.

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  **beanz00** Highly Voted  2 years ago

This has to be D. How could it even be B? The source is a proprietary format. Dataflow wouldn't have a built-in template to read the file. You will have to create something custom.

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  **devaid** Highly Voted  2 years ago

**Selected Answer: D**

For me it's clearly D

It's between B and D, but read B, store raw data in Big Query? Use a Dataflow pipeline just to store raw data into Big Query, and transform later? You'd need to do another pipeline for that, and is not efficient.

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  **MaxNRG** Most Recent  10 months, 2 weeks ago

**Selected Answer: D**

Option D is the best approach given the constraints - use an Apache Beam custom connector to write a Dataflow pipeline that streams the data into BigQuery in Avro format.

The key reasons:

- Dataflow provides managed resource scaling for efficient stream processing
- Avro format has schema evolution capabilities and efficient serialization for flight telemetry data
- Apache Beam connectors avoid having to write much code to integrate proprietary data sources
- Streaming inserts data efficiently compared to periodic batch jobs

In contrast, option A uses Cloud Functions which lack native streaming capabilities. Option B stores data in less efficient JSON format. Option C uses Dataproc which requires manual cluster management.

So leveraging Dataflow + Avro + Beam provides the most efficient way to stream proprietary flight data into BigQuery while using minimal resources.

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  **Aman47** 10 months, 3 weeks ago

Its talking about streaming? none of the options talk about triggering a load to begin. We need a trigger or schedule to run first.

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  **Ajose0** 1 year ago

**Selected Answer: D**

Option D allows you to use a custom connector to read the proprietary data format and write the data to BigQuery in Avro format.

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  **sergiomujica** 1 year, 1 month ago

**Selected Answer: D**

the keyword is streaming

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  **knith66** 1 year, 3 months ago

Between B and D. Firstly transformation is not mentioned in the question, So B is less probable. Then Efficient import is mentioned in the question, Converting to Avro will consume less space. I am going with D



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  **musumusu** 1 year, 8 months ago

Answer is D ,

Why not B, changing data format before uploading to bigquery is good approach.

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  **cetanx** 1 year, 9 months ago

**Selected Answer: B**

I believe keyword here is "An aerospace company uses a proprietary data format"

So if we list the connectors available in Apache Beam, we are listed with these options;

<https://beam.apache.org/documentation/io/connectors/>

So I believe, we have to create our own custom connector to read from the proprietary data format hence the answer should be B

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  **cetanx** 1 year, 9 months ago

sorry the answer should be D

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  **AzureDP900** 1 year, 10 months ago

D is right

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- zclck** 1 year, 11 months ago  
**Selected Answer: D**  
D is the answer.  
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- TNT87** 1 year, 9 months ago  
There is dataflow connector and D isn't cost effective  
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- hauhau** 1 year, 11 months ago  
**Selected Answer: B**  
B is the most efficient  
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- TNT87** 2 years ago  
<https://cloud.google.com/spanner/docs/change-streams/use-dataflow#core-concepts>  
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- TNT87** 2 years, 1 month ago  
Ans B  
<https://cloud.google.com/architecture/streaming-avro-records-into-bigquery-using-dataflow>  
Is there a reason to use apache beam connector yet there is dataflow which is a standard solution for that scenario?  
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- TNT87** 2 years, 1 month ago  
<https://cloud.google.com/blog/topics/developers-practitioners/bigquery-explained-data-ingestion>  
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- learner2610** 2 years, 1 month ago  
Can standard dataflow be used to ingest any proprietary format of file ?  
shouldn't we use custom apache beam connector ?  
So I think it is D ,though it isn't simple ,But in this scenario they have asked to use less resources to import data  
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- TNT87** 2 years, 1 month ago  
Do you mind reading the links i provided and revisiting the question, then you will understand why D isn't the best.  
Why use Apache beam yet there is Dataflow  
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- John\_Pongthorn** 2 years, 1 month ago  
D: just have your team develop custom connector.  
[https://cloud.google.com/architecture/bigquery-data-warehouse#storage\\_management](https://cloud.google.com/architecture/bigquery-data-warehouse#storage_management)  
Internally, BigQuery stores data in a proprietary columnar format called Capacitor, which has a number of benefits for data warehouse workloads. BigQuery uses a proprietary format  
  
I suppose this matter , it mean BQ use proprietary format by itself to work internally  
but the question means data as proprietary format as input for ingesting into BQ.  
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- TNT87** 2 years, 1 month ago  
Option D streams, that's not cost effective. We need something that is cost effective, hence B is the option  
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- TNT87** 2 years, 1 month ago  
I mean that consumes fewer resources  
 upvoted 1 times
- AWSandeep** 2 years, 2 months ago  
**Selected Answer: D**  
D. Use an Apache Beam custom connector to write a Dataflow pipeline that streams the data into BigQuery in Avro format.  
Reveal Solution  
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- ducc** 2 years, 2 months ago  
**Selected Answer: B**  
B is the most efficient for me

D is the most efficient for me.

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Sorry, D is correct

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