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You have terabytes of customer behavioral data streaming from Google Analytics into BigQuery daily. Your customers' information, such as their preferences, is hosted on a Cloud SQL for MySQL database. Your CRM database is hosted on a Cloud SQL for PostgreSQL instance. The marketing team wants to use your customers' information from the two databases and the customer behavioral data to create marketing campaigns for yearly active customers. You need to ensure that the marketing team can run the campaigns over 100 times a day on typical days and up to 300 during sales. At the same time, you want to keep the load on the Cloud SQL databases to a minimum. What should you do?

- A. Create BigQuery connections to both Cloud SQL databases. Use BigQuery federated queries on the two databases and the Google Analytics data on BigQuery to run these queries.
- B. Create a job on Apache Spark with Dataproc Serverless to query both Cloud SQL databases and the Google Analytics data on BigQuery for these queries.
- C. Create streams in Datastream to replicate the required tables from both Cloud SQL databases to BigQuery for these queries.
- D. Create a Dataproc cluster with Trino to establish connections to both Cloud SQL databases and BigQuery, to execute the queries.

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- Datastream: It's a fully managed, serverless service for real-time data replication. It allows to stream data from various sources, including Cloud SQL, into BigQuery.
- Reduced Load on Cloud SQL: By replicating the required tables from both Cloud SQL databases into BigQuery, you minimize the load on the Cloud SQL instances. The marketing team's queries will be run against BigQuery, which is designed to handle high-volume analytics workloads.
- Frequency of Queries: BigQuery can easily handle the high frequency of queries (100 times daily, up to 300 during sales events) due to its powerful data processing capabilities.
- Combining Data Sources: Once the data is in BigQuery, you can efficiently combine it with the Google Analytics data for comprehensive analysis and campaign planning.

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Why not A ? Federated queries will downgrade Cloud SQL perf?


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To Replication data, use datastream

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Initially I said A, but this question was how I learned about Datastream, which I think would be the better solution in this scenario. So my answer is C



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C, noting that federated queries on read replicas would be the ideal solution

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Its option C.

"Performance. A federated query is likely to not be as fast as querying only BigQuery storage. BigQuery needs to wait for the source database to execute the external query and temporarily move data from the external data source to BigQuery. Also, the source database might not be optimized for complex analytical queries."

So, it will load the Cloud SQL external sources with the queries, impacting performance on those.

Link: <https://cloud.google.com/bigquery/docs/federated-queries-intro>

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C. Create streams in Datastream to replicate the required tables from both Cloud SQL databases to BigQuery for these queries.

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Datastream is a serverless, easy-to-use change data capture (CDC) and replication service. By replicating the necessary tables from the Cloud SQL databases to BigQuery, you can offload the query load from the Cloud SQL databases. The marketing team can then run their queries directly on BigQuery, which is designed for large-scale data analytics. This approach seems to balance both efficiency and performance, minimizing load on the Cloud SQL instances.

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