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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

In modern web application development, data management plays a vital role in ensuring efficiency, accessibility, and security. Traditionally, many applications rely on locally hosted databases for storing and retrieving data. While this approach is effective for small-scale applications, it presents several challenges as the application grows in terms of users and complexity. Issues such as limited scalability, restricted remote access, and the need for manual maintenance can hinder the performance and long-term sustainability of an application (Egger, 2009).

With the increasing demand for cloud-based solutions, businesses and developers are shifting towards cloud-managed databases that offer better performance, flexibility, and ease of management. One such solution is Google Cloud SQL, a fully managed relational database service that supports MySQL, PostgreSQL, and SQL Server. Google Cloud SQL provides automated backups, high availability, and seamless integration with web applications (Buga, 2023). By migrating from a locally hosted SQL database to Google Cloud SQL, applications can take advantage of enhanced scalability, security, and reliability, ensuring better data accessibility and management.

NotesApp, a web-based note-taking application, currently utilizes a locally hosted SQL database to store and manage user-generated notes. While the current implementation functions adequately, it faces limitations in handling increased traffic, remote accessibility, and database maintenance. Migrating to Google Cloud SQL is expected to resolve these issues and provide a more scalable and efficient infrastructure for NotesApp. This migration will enable the application to maintain optimal performance, improve security measures, and reduce maintenance overhead.

By adopting a cloud-based database solution, NotesApp can align with modern best practices in web application development, ensuring that it remains competitive and meets the demands of its growing user base.

1.2 Problem Formulation

1. How can a local SQL database be successfully connected to Google Cloud SQL?
2. What are the steps required to set up a Cloud SQL instance and configure it for use with NotesApp?

1.3 Objectives

1. To establish a secure and efficient connection between the local SQL database and Google Cloud SQL, ensuring smooth data migration and minimal downtime.
2. To set up and configure a Cloud SQL instance for NotesApp, including instance creation, authentication setup, and connection management.

1.4 Benefits

1. Users can efficiently connect their local SQL database to Google Cloud SQL, ensuring uninterrupted access to their data.
2. Users can follow a structured process to set up and configure a Cloud SQL instance, making it easier to manage and deploy databases.
3. Users can benefit from Google Cloud SQL's built-in encryption, authentication mechanisms, and automated backups, ensuring data protection.
4. Users can experience enhanced database performance through Cloud SQL's automated indexing, query optimization, and resource scaling.
5. Users can rely on Google Cloud SQL's automated updates, backups, and performance monitoring, reducing manual administrative tasks.
6. Users can scale their database resources as needed, allowing NotesApp to support increasing data storage and user demands efficiently.

CHAPTER II

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 SQL in Cloud Computing

Cloud computing has revolutionized database management by offering scalable, secure, and high-performance solutions that overcome the limitations of traditional on-premise databases. Egger (2009) explores SQL in the Cloud, discussing the advantages and challenges of migrating structured databases to cloud environments. One of the primary benefits of cloud-based SQL is its ability to dynamically allocate resources based on demand, improving database efficiency and cost management. Additionally, cloud-based SQL services provide built-in security features, automated backups, and failover mechanisms, ensuring data integrity and availability.

Compared to on-premise databases, SQL in the cloud offers greater scalability—allowing applications to handle increased traffic without significant performance degradation. The cloud also introduces managed services that eliminate the need for manual database administration, thus reducing operational overhead. However, Egger (2009) highlights latency and data transfer costs as potential challenges when migrating large databases to the cloud. These aspects must be carefully considered when designing cloud-based database solutions.

2.2 Google Cloud SQL

Google Cloud SQL is a fully managed relational database service that provides high availability, security, and scalability for SQL-based applications (Buga, 2023). It supports MySQL, PostgreSQL, and SQL Server, making it a versatile choice for businesses looking to migrate from traditional databases.

Buga (2023) describes key advantages of Google Cloud SQL, including:

1. Automated Backups & Maintenance – Cloud SQL provides automatic daily backups, system patches, and version updates, reducing the burden on database administrators.

2. **High Availability & Failover Support** – The platform ensures zero-downtime maintenance and supports replication for improved reliability.
3. **Scalability & Performance Optimization** – Google Cloud SQL automatically scales based on usage, ensuring optimized query execution and efficient resource utilization.
4. **Security & Compliance** – With end-to-end encryption, Identity and Access Management (IAM) controls, and firewall rules, Cloud SQL enhances security against unauthorized access.

Cloud SQL also integrates seamlessly with Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE), App Engine, and Compute Engine, allowing for efficient database connectivity in cloud-based applications.

Despite these advantages, Buga (2023) notes potential drawbacks, such as higher operational costs compared to self-managed databases and network latency issues when dealing with large-scale data migrations. These challenges can be mitigated by optimizing queries and implementing caching mechanisms.

2.3 SQL Fundamentals

Understanding SQL is crucial for database management, whether using traditional on-premise systems or cloud solutions. Beaulieu (2009) provides an in-depth exploration of SQL fundamentals, including:

1. **Data Definition Language (DDL):** Commands like CREATE, ALTER, and DROP to define and modify database structures.
2. **Data Manipulation Language (DML):** Commands like INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE to manage data records.
3. **Query Optimization:** Techniques such as indexing, partitioning, and using efficient join operations to improve query execution speed.
4. **Transactions & ACID Compliance:** Ensuring Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, and Durability in database operations.

Beaulieu (2009) emphasizes the importance of query performance tuning, particularly in cloud environments where inefficient queries can lead to higher costs due to excessive compute resource consumption. Additionally, SQL fundamentals provide the foundation for implementing data migration, cloud integration, and real-time analytics.

CHAPTER III

METHODOLOGY

3.1 Problem Analysis

The task involves migrating a locally hosted SQL database to Google Cloud SQL to enhance scalability, security, and performance. The primary objectives are to establish a secure and efficient connection between the local database and Google Cloud SQL while ensuring minimal downtime and configuring the cloud instance to integrate seamlessly with NotesApp. Key challenges include setting up a reliable database connection, configuring the Cloud SQL instance, and managing authentication to prevent unauthorized access. Additionally, the data migration process must ensure the smooth transfer of database schema and records while maintaining data integrity. Furthermore, cost management and maintenance must be considered, leveraging Cloud SQL's automated backups, updates, and performance monitoring to reduce manual administrative tasks. Successfully implementing this migration will provide NotesApp with improved reliability, security, and scalability, ensuring a more efficient and robust database management system.

3.2 Solution Design

3.2.1 Create Instance

1. Sign in to the Google Cloud Console.
2. Choose a Project

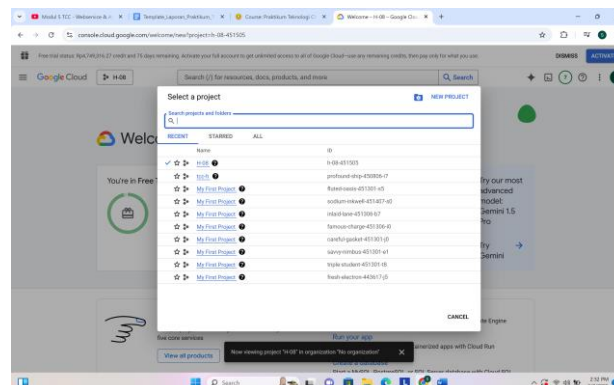


Figure 1. Step 3.2.1.2

3. Navigate to the Cloud SQL section from the console.

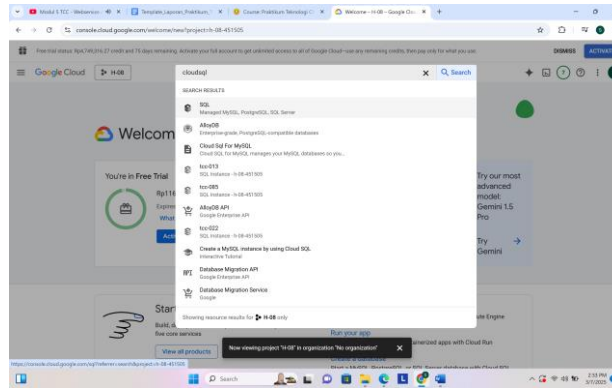


Figure 2. Step 3.2.1.3

4. Click Create Instance and select MySQL

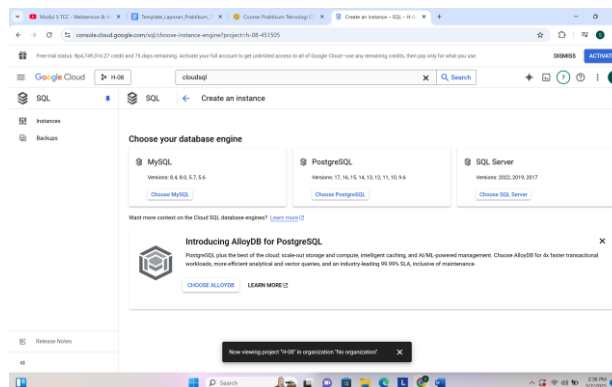


Figure 3. Step 3.2.1.4

5. Configure the instance settings:

- Choose an instance ID (unique name for the database).
- Select the region and zone for deployment.
- Set the database version according to the compatibility of your application.
- Configure machine type, storage, and memory allocation.

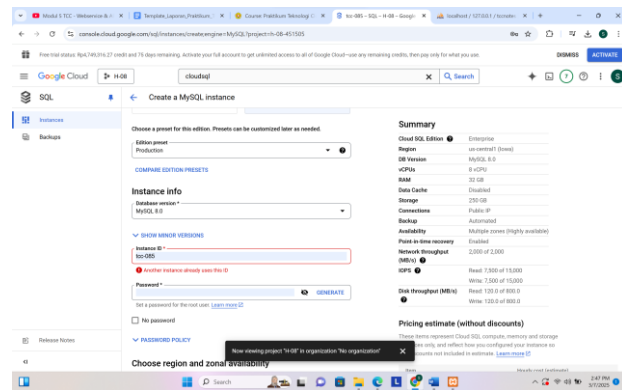


Figure 4. Step 3.2.1.5

6. Click Create and wait for the instance to be provisioned.

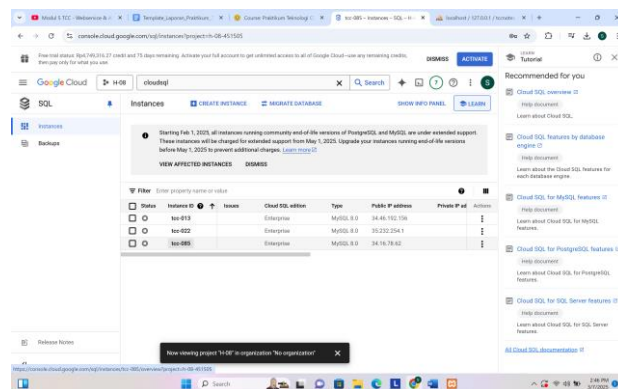


Figure 5. Step 3.2.1.6

3.2.2 Create Bucket

1. Go to Google Cloud Console and navigate to the Cloud Storage section.

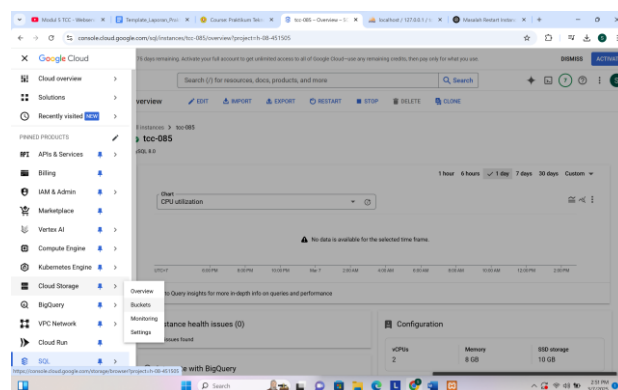


Figure 6. Step 3.2.2.1

2. Click Create Bucket and provide a unique name.
3. Choose a storage class based on data access needs.
4. Configure all the settings.

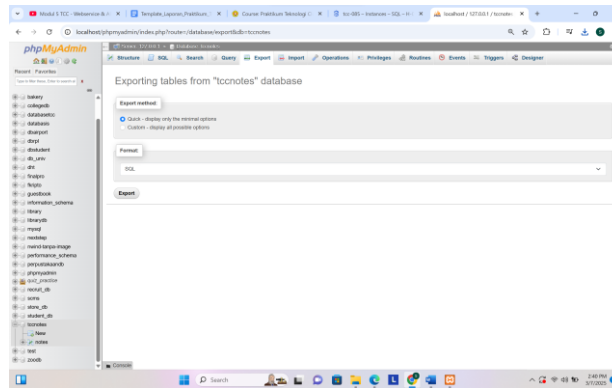


Figure 10. Step 3.2.3.4

3.2.4 Upload Database in Google Cloud

1. Go to Bucket Menu and Select a Bucket

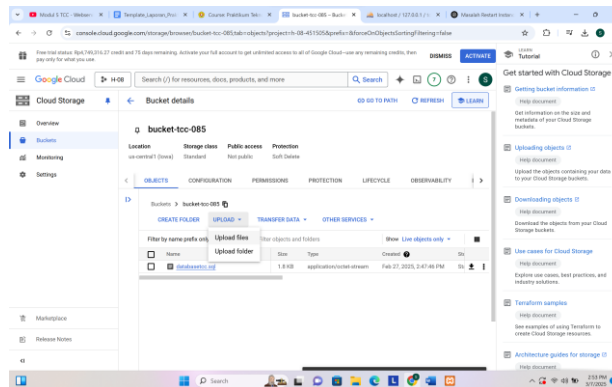


Figure 21. Step 3.2.4.1

2. Choose Upload files and Select the file

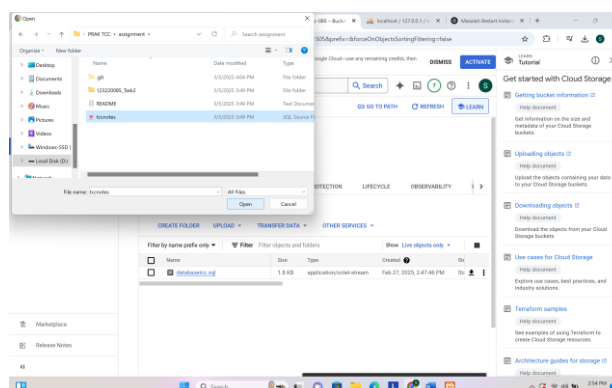


Figure 32. Step 3.2.4.2

3. Wait until the file uploaded

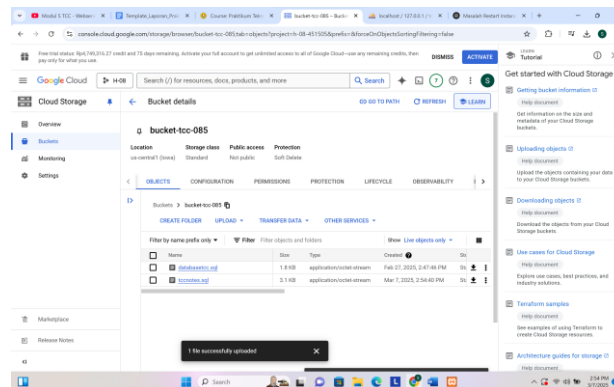


Figure 43. Step 3.2.4.3

4. Go to Instances Menu and Choose SQL Databases

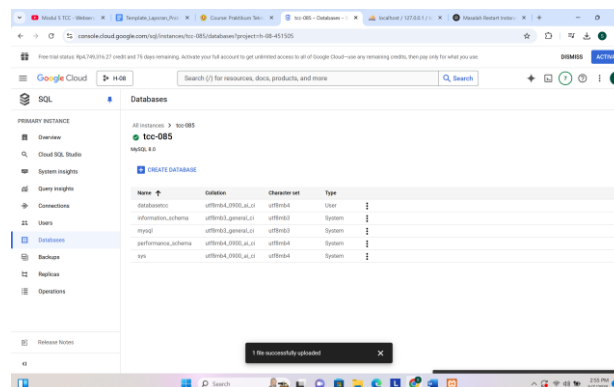


Figure 54. Step 3.2.4.4

5. Create a Database

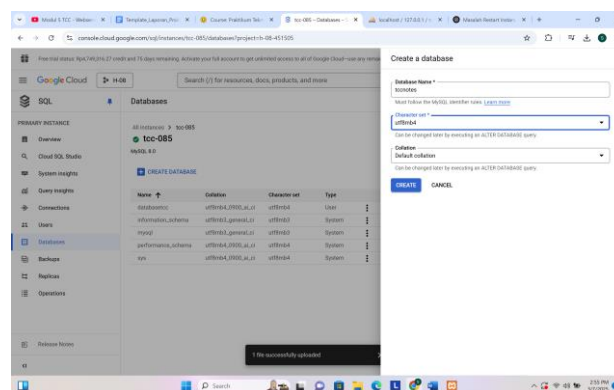


Figure 65. Step 3.2.4.5

6. Go to Instances and Choose Import

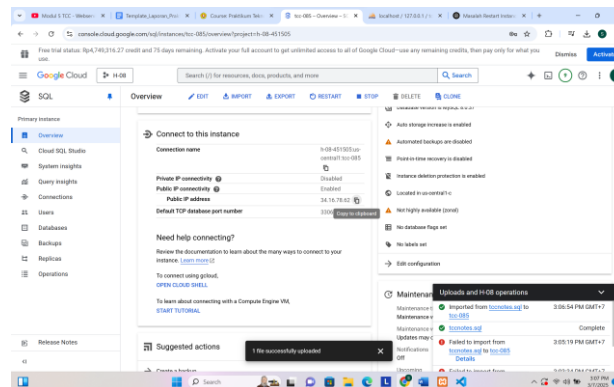


Figure 99. Step 3.2.5.1

2. Paste IP to Source Code and Enter the instance password set during creation

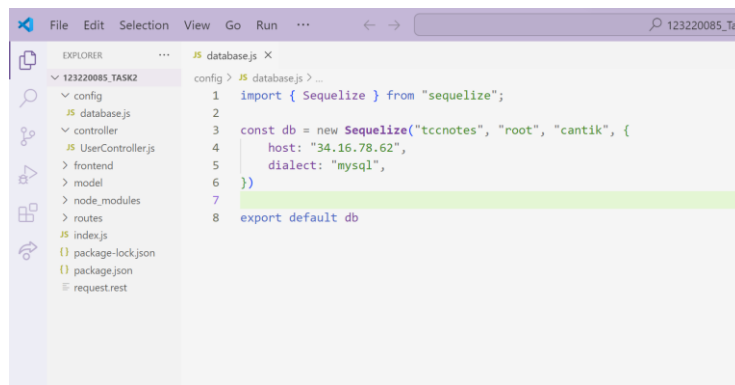


Figure 20. Step 3.2.5.2

3. In Google Cloud Shell, connect the database and enter the password

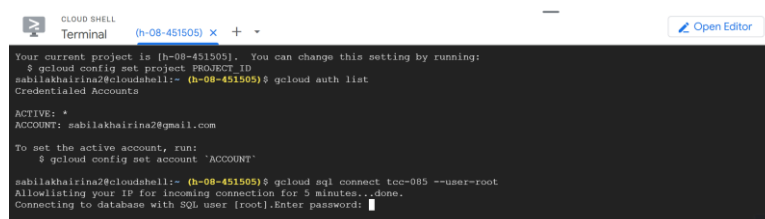


Figure 21. Step 3.2.5.3

CHAPTER IV

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

4.1 Results

4.1.1 Create Instance

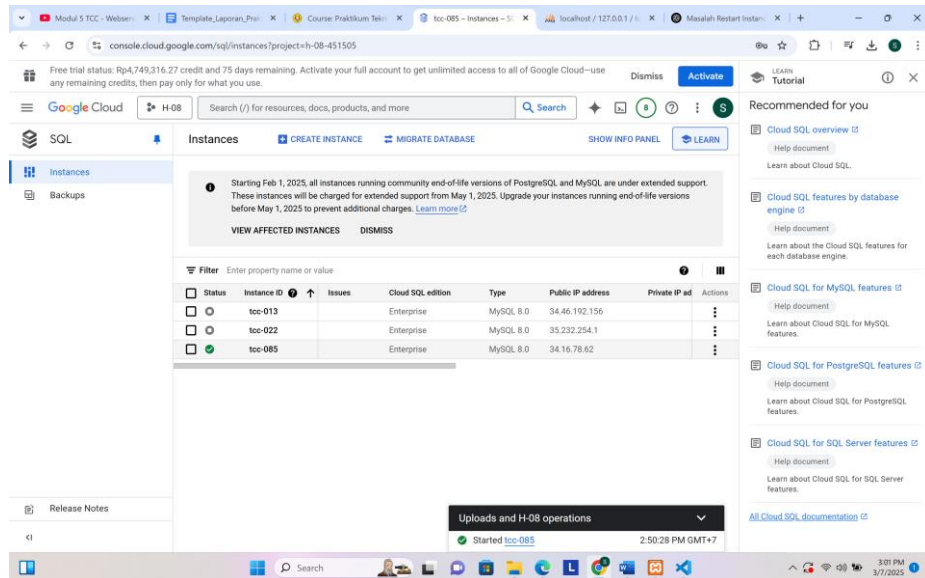


Figure 22. Create Instance

Google Cloud SQL Instances page displaying the created instances with public and private IP addresses. The instance will be used for hosting the NotesApp database.

4.1.2 Create Bucket

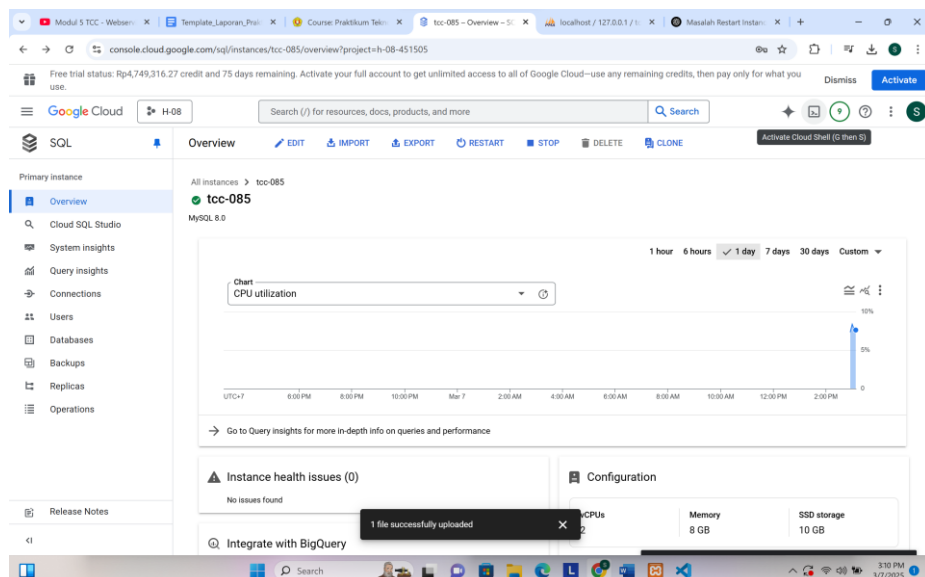


Figure 23. Create Bucket

Google Cloud SQL Bucket page displaying the chosen bucket. The bucket will be used for saving the NotesApp database.

4.1.3 Upload Database in Google Cloud

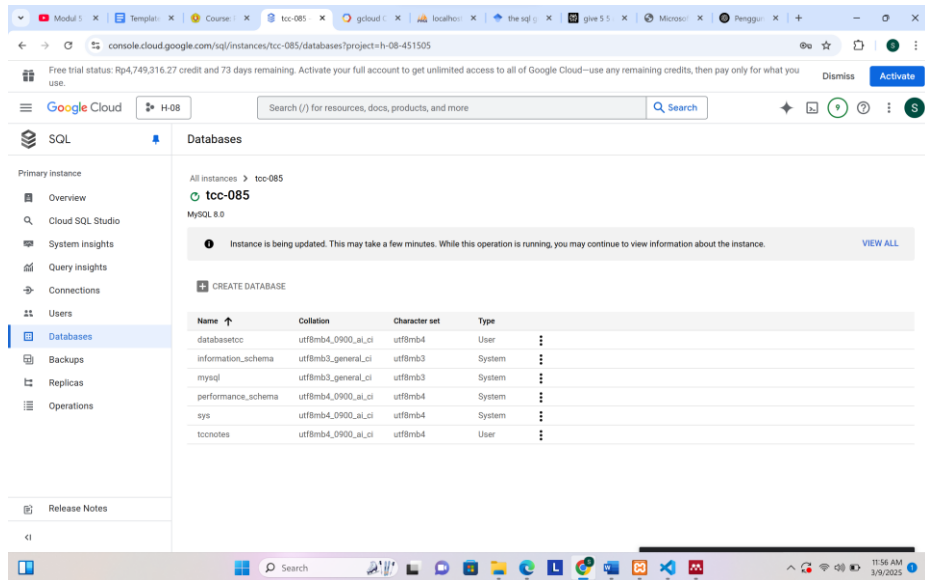


Figure 24. Upload Database in Google Cloud

Database uploaded. Google Cloud SQL Databases page showing the created database within the selected instance. This database will store the NotesApp data.

4.1.4 Connection Configuration SQL to Google Cloud

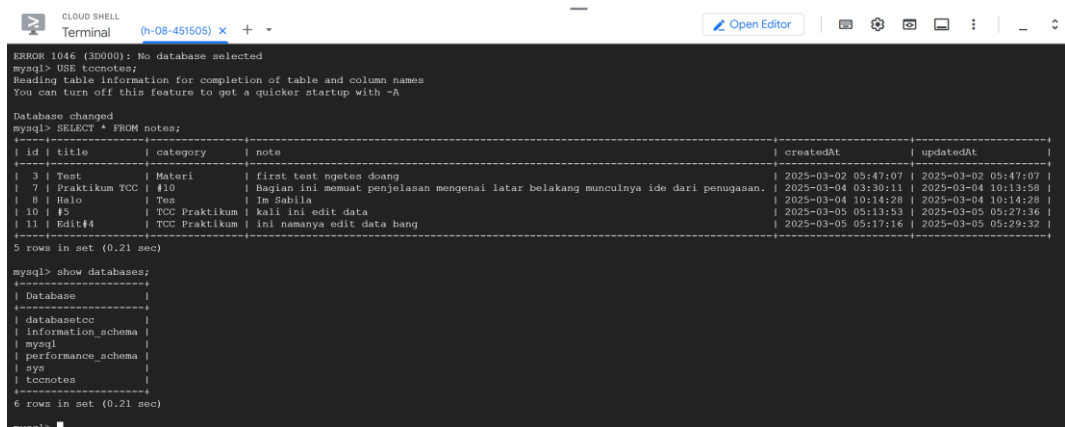


Figure 25. Connection Successfu; to Google Cloud

Cloud Shell terminal displaying a successful connection to the Google Cloud SQL instance. The database 'tccnotes' is accessed, and SQL queries are executed to retrieve and display stored notes."

4.2 Discussion

The migration of the NotesApp database from a local SQL server to Google Cloud SQL was successfully implemented by following structured steps. The process included creating a Cloud SQL instance, setting up a Google Cloud Storage bucket, exporting and uploading the local database, and importing it into Google Cloud SQL. Once the migration was completed, verification was conducted using Cloud Shell, where SQL queries confirmed successful data transfer.

Several key aspects were observed during the migration:

1. The connection between NotesApp and the newly migrated Cloud SQL database was established using the public IP address of the instance. This ensured uninterrupted CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) operations for managing user notes.
2. Google Cloud SQL provided automated indexing and query optimization, enhancing the responsiveness of NotesApp when fetching, updating, and deleting notes.
3. By migrating to Cloud SQL, NotesApp users can now access their notes from any device with an internet connection, improving availability and reliability. The cloud infrastructure also allows for automatic scaling, ensuring that increased user activity does not affect database performance.
4. Cloud SQL introduced automated backups, access control, and security updates, reducing the risks of data loss and unauthorized access. This eliminates the need for manual maintenance, making NotesApp more secure and efficient.

Despite these benefits, some challenges were encountered, such as configuring proper authentication methods and managing firewall settings to allow secure external access. However, these were resolved through Google Cloud's documentation and testing different connection methods.

CHAPTER V

CLOSING

5.1 Conclusion

The migration of the local SQL database to Google Cloud SQL for NotesApp was successfully completed, ensuring improved scalability, security, and performance. The process involved creating a Cloud SQL instance, exporting the local database, uploading it to Cloud Storage, and importing it into Cloud SQL, followed by configuring the connection for seamless integration with NotesApp. As a result, NotesApp now benefits from automated backups, enhanced security, better accessibility, and improved query performance, making it more reliable and efficient for users. This migration successfully ensures that NotesApp can handle growing data demands while reducing manual database management efforts.

5.2 Suggestions

For the future improvements, the recommendations are to explore further optimization of Cloud SQL performance, such as implementing read replicas, caching mechanisms, and query optimization techniques to enhance efficiency. Additionally, investigating the integration of serverless architectures like Firebase or Cloud Spanner could provide more scalability for applications like NotesApp. Security enhancements, such as advanced IAM roles, VPC configurations, and encryption strategies, should also be considered to strengthen data protection. Finally, conducting a comparative analysis between Cloud SQL and other cloud database solutions could offer valuable insights into cost-effectiveness, performance, and ease of management for large-scale applications. The following recommendations should be considered:

1. To enhance security, use private IP connections instead of public IP addresses to access Cloud SQL from NotesApp's backend.
2. Monitor resource usage and adjust instance size based on NotesApp's database demands to balance performance and cost efficiency.

3. Maintain scheduled backups and set up replication to prevent data loss and ensure business continuity.

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