

Lecture 01

GEE Introduction:

setup, datasets, image visualization

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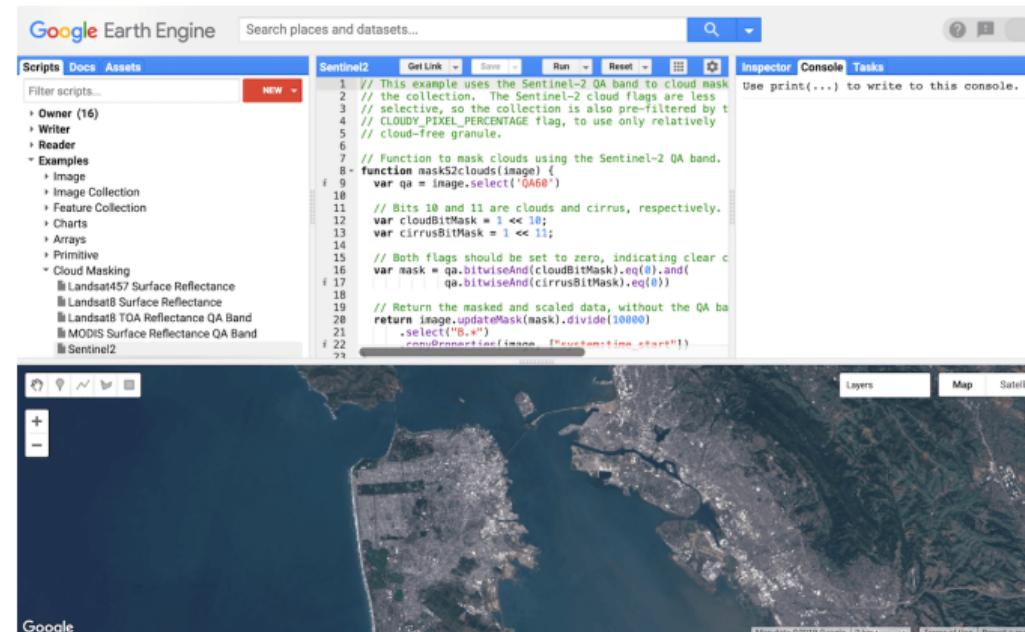
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1. Earth Engine Code Editor (JavaScript API)

⇒ free web-based IDE (*Integrated Development Environment*) using the JavaScript API



The screenshot shows the Google Earth Engine Code Editor interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Google Earth Engine' and a search bar labeled 'Search places and datasets...'. Below the search bar are tabs for 'Scripts', 'Docs', and 'Assets', with 'Scripts' currently selected. A red 'NEW' button is visible. On the left, a sidebar menu includes 'Owner (16)', 'Writer', 'Reader', 'Examples' (which is expanded to show 'Image', 'Feature Collection', 'Charts', 'Arrays', 'Primitive', 'Cloud Masking' with sub-options for Landsat457, Landsat8, MODIS Surface Reflectance, and Sentinel2), and 'Sentinel2'. The main area contains a code editor with the following JavaScript code:

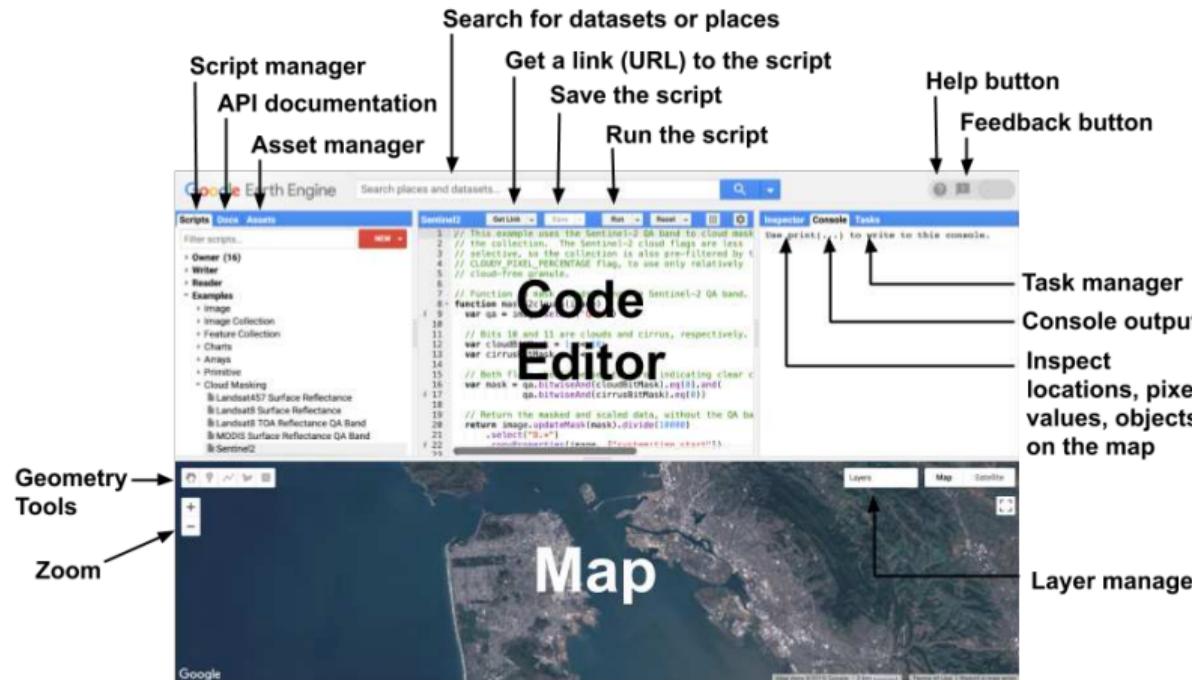
```
1 // This example uses the Sentinel-2 QA band to cloud mask
2 // the collection. The Sentinel-2 cloud flags are less
3 // selective, so the collection is also pre-filtered by t
4 // CLOUDY_PIXEL_PERCENTAGE flag, to use only relatively
5 // cloud-free granules.
6
7 // Function to mask clouds using the Sentinel-2 QA band.
8 function maskS2clouds(image) {
9   var qa = image.select('QA60');
10
11   // Bits 10 and 11 are clouds and cirrus, respectively.
12   var cloudBitMask = 1 << 10;
13   var cirrusBitMask = 1 << 11;
14
15   // Both flags should be set to zero, indicating clear c
16   var mask = qa.bitwiseAnd(cloudBitMask).eq(0).and(
17     qa.bitwiseAnd(cirrusBitMask).eq(0));
18
19   // Return the masked and scaled data, without the QA ba
20   return image.updateMask(mask).divide(10000)
21     .select("B.*")
22     .copyProperties(image, ["system:time_start"]);
}
```

Below the code editor is a map viewer showing a satellite image of a coastal area. The map has zoom controls (+, -, ×), a location pin, and a compass rose. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Layers', 'Map', and 'Satellite'. The bottom right corner displays 'Map data ©2019 Google | 2 km | Terms of Use | Report a map error'.

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```
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 followed by the output:

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. A note at the bottom of the cell explains how to execute the code using the play button or keyboard shortcut "Command/Ctrl+Enter".

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4. Access GEE in JavaScript IDE
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3. GEE quick start

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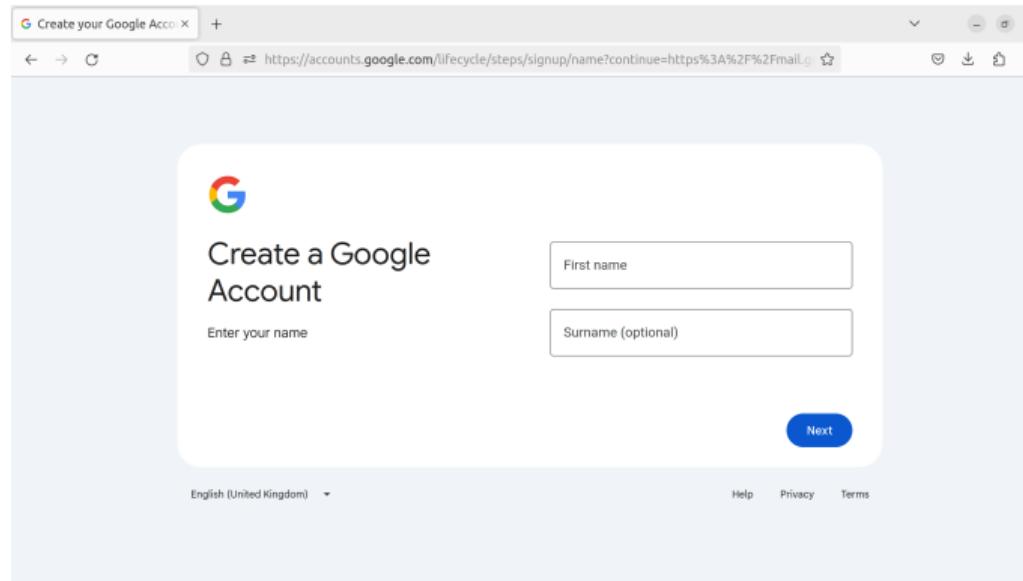
The steps required by Google to access and use GEE APIs are regularly evolving.

⇒ the steps described are those required as of September-2025

⇒ visit the [Earth Engine access guidelines](#) for the most up-to-date information

2.1. Create a Google account

1. Create a Google account (if you have one, skip this step)



2.2. Create a Google Cloud project & enable GEE API

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2.1 Access your account's [Google Cloud Console](#)

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Welcome page. At the top right, there is a user profile icon with a red box around it and a red arrow pointing to the text "1. select your account here". The page features a "Welcome" section with a "TRY FOR FREE" button. Below this, there are sections for "Popular getting started resources" and "Pre-built solution templates". A navigation bar at the bottom includes links for "Web, mobile, game, storage", "Containers, VMs, hybrid/multi, move workload", "Data, AI/ML, SAP", "Maps, APIs", and "General".

1. select your account here

Welcome

Try Google Cloud with \$300 in free credits

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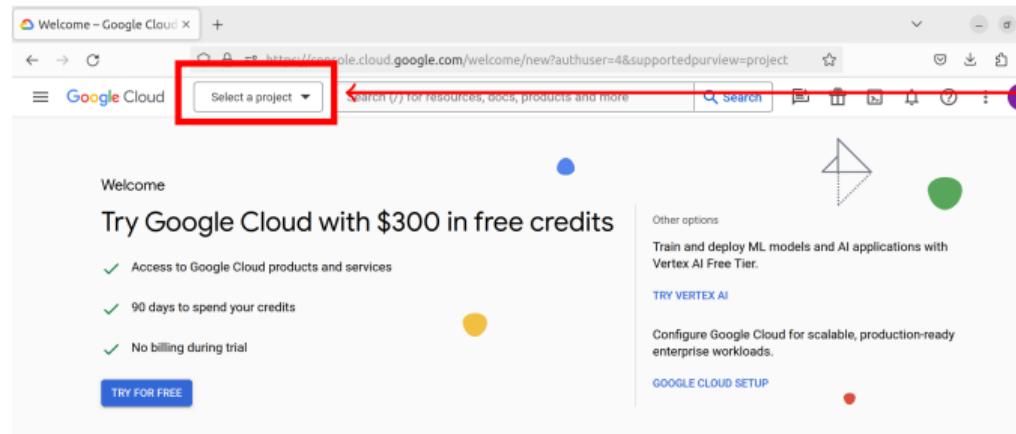
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Other options

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TRY VERTEX AI

Configure Google Cloud for scalable, production-ready enterprise workloads.

GOOGLE CLOUD SETUP

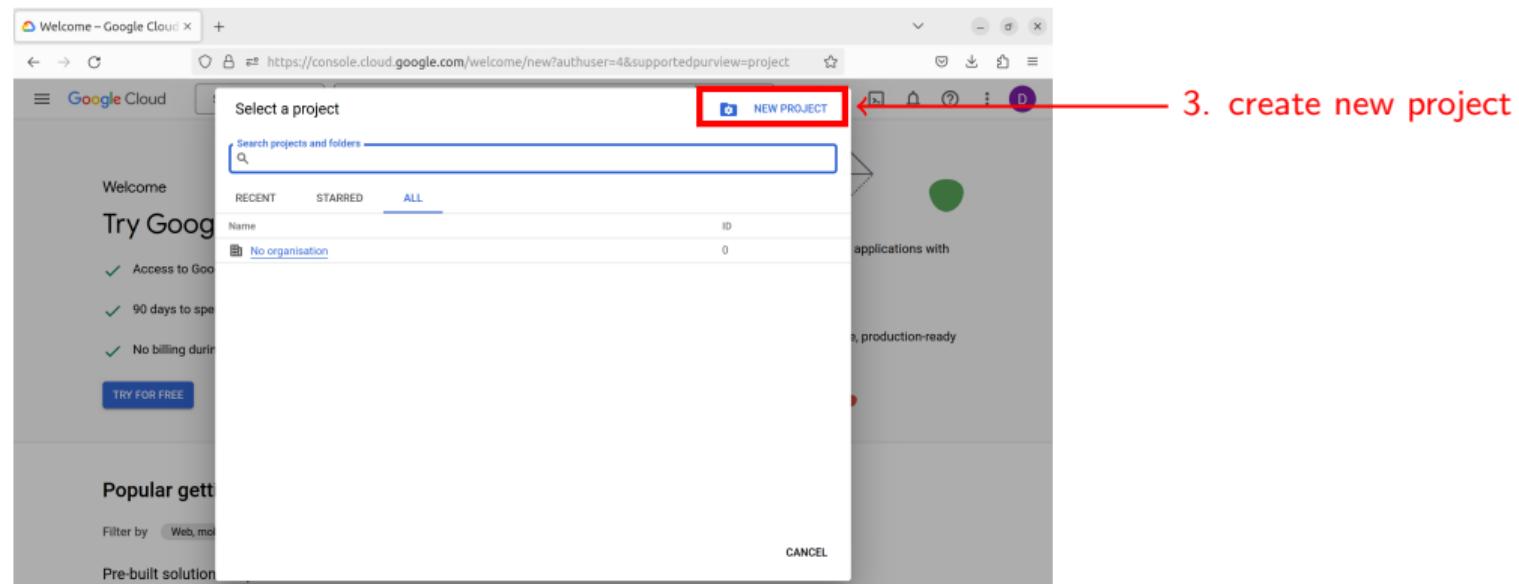
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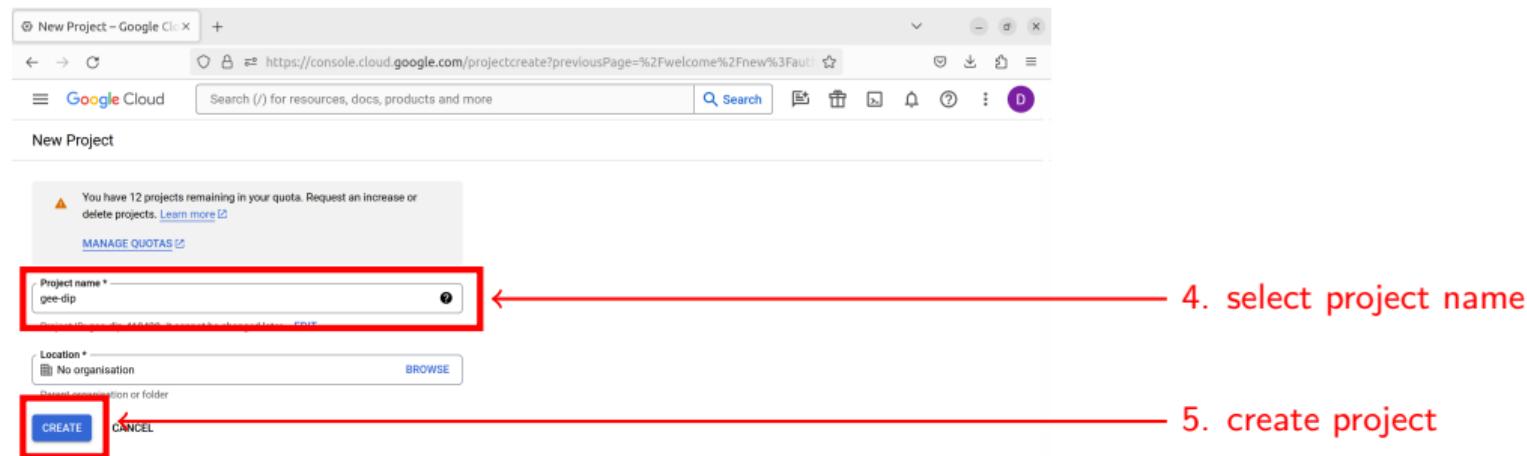
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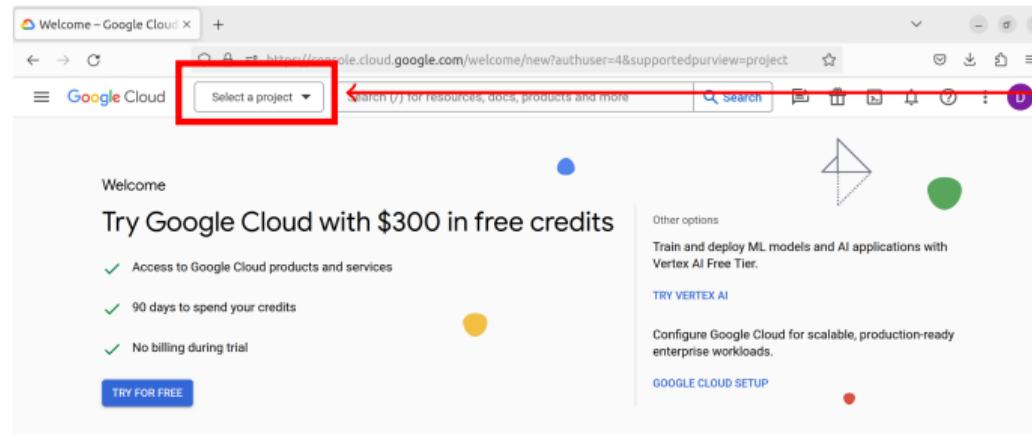
4. select project name

5. create project

2.2. Create a Google Cloud project & enable GEE API

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2.3 Enable GEE API in the newly created project



6. select the project

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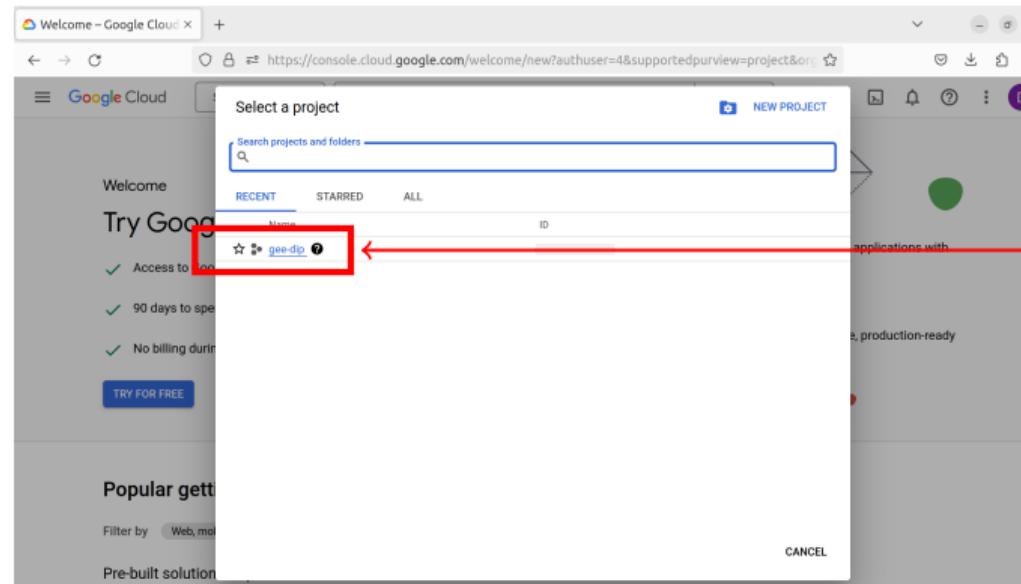
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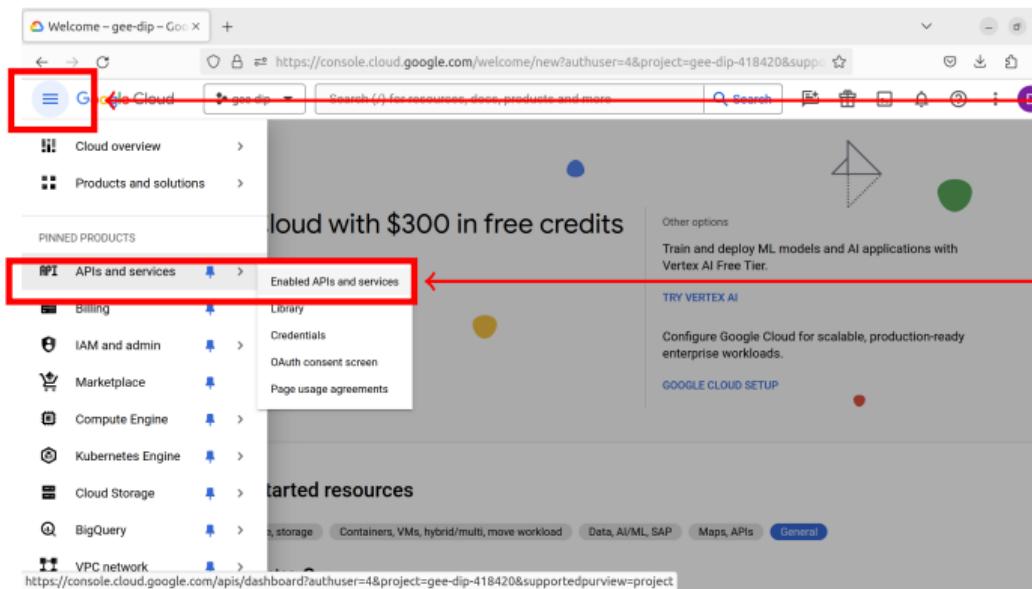


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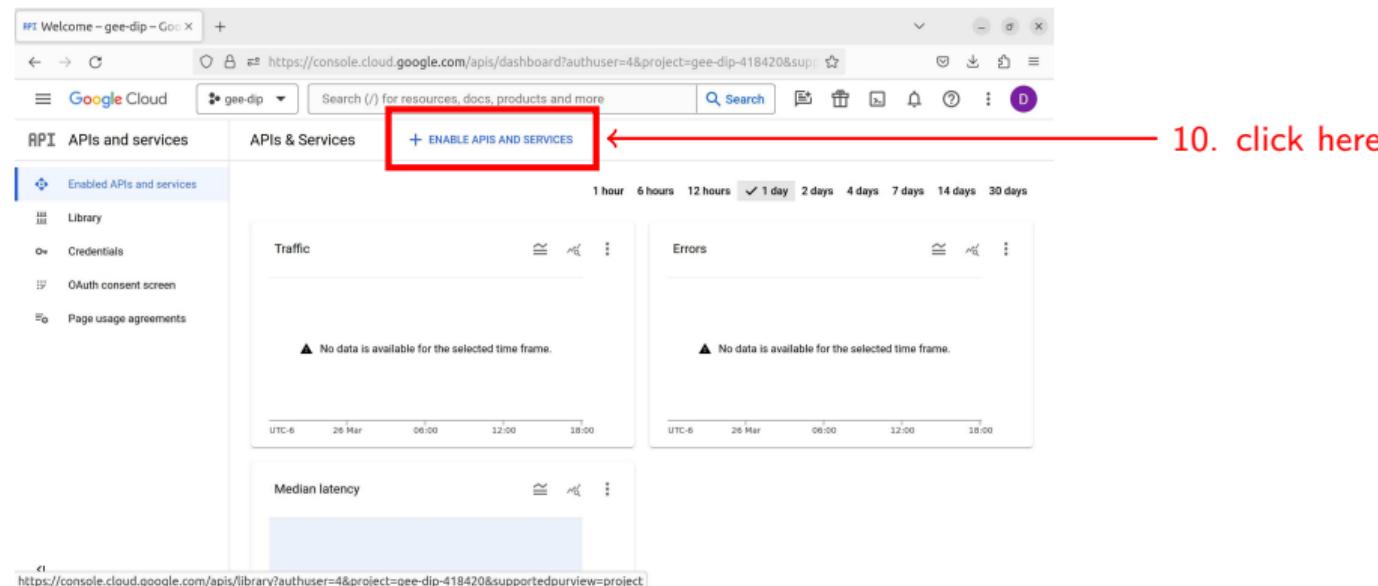
8. select navigation menu

9. “Enable API and services”

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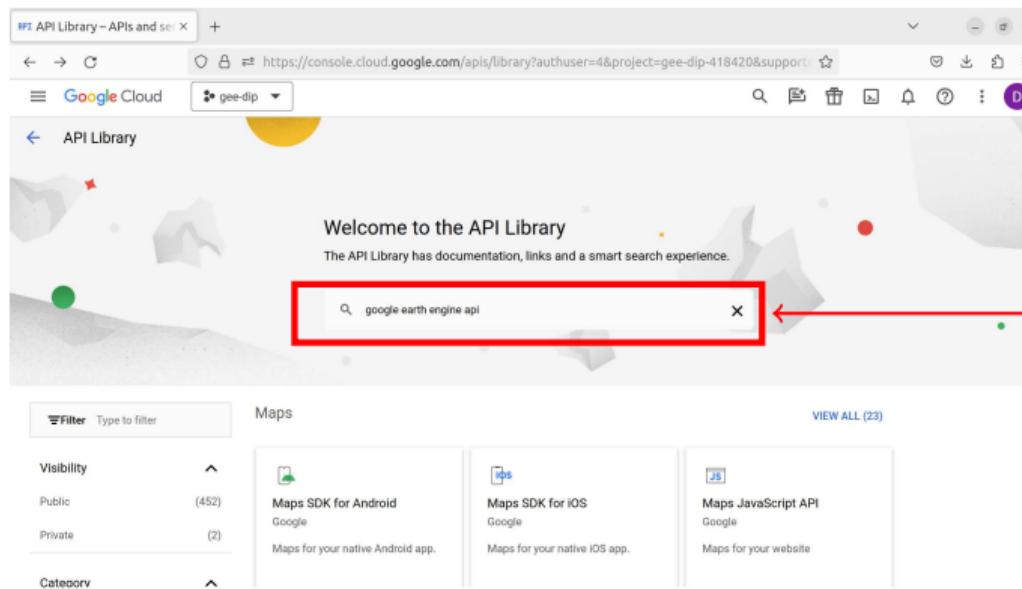
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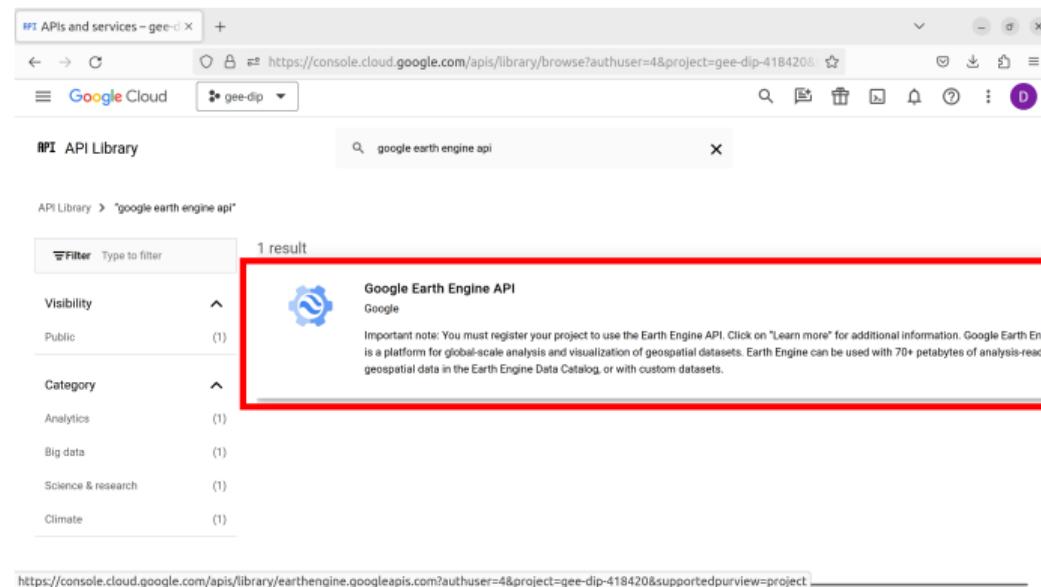


11. search/select “Google Earth Engine API”

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2.3 Configure the newly created project



The screenshot shows a browser window titled "API APIs and services - gee-dip" with the URL <https://console.cloud.google.com/apis/library/browse?authuser=4&project=gee-dip-418420&supportedpurview=project>. The search bar contains "google earth engine api". The results page shows one result: "Google Earth Engine API" under the "Category" section. A red box highlights this result, and a red arrow points to it from the text "12. click here".

12. click here

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2.3 Configure the newly created project

13. click "ENABLE"

Google Earth Engine API

Geospatial insights for a more sustainable world.

ENABLE

OVERVIEW PRICING SUPPORT RELATED PRODUCTS

Overview

Important note: You must register your project to use the Earth Engine API. Click on "Learn more" for additional information.

Google Earth Engine is a platform for global-scale analysis and visualization of geospatial datasets. Earth Engine can be used with 70+ petabytes of analysis-ready geospatial data in the Earth Engine Data Catalog, or with custom datasets.

Additional details

Type: [SaaS & APIs](#)
Last product update: 01/08/2022
Category: [Big data](#), [Analytics](#), [Science & research](#), [Climate](#)
Service name: earthengine.googleapis.com

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GEE API is now enabled

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3.1 Access register page at <https://code.earthengine.google.com/register>

The screenshot shows a browser window with the URL <https://code.earthengine.google.com/configuration?authuser=3&project=gee-test-2025>. The page is titled 'Configuration' under the 'Earth Engine / Configuration' section. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Overview', 'Tasks', and 'Configuration' selected. The main content area has a heading 'Configuration' and a sub-section 'Access Earth Engine by registering your Cloud project as [commercial](#) or [noncommercial](#)'. It explains that Earth Engine is a powerful tool for geospatial analysis used for climate, sustainability, and environmental work. Unpaid access is offered to eligible noncommercial organizations, while businesses and governments engaging in operational activities access Earth Engine via paid commercial use. There are two main registration paths: 'Register for commercial use' (with a 'View pricing plans' link) and 'See if you are eligible for noncommercial use' (with a 'Get started' button). A red box highlights the 'Get started' button, and a red arrow points from it to the text '1. clic to register a noncommercial project'.

Configuration – Earth Engine X +

console.cloud.google.com/earth-engine/configuration?authuser=3&project=gee-test-2025 80% ⚡

Google Cloud gee test 2025 Search (/) for resources, docs, products, and more

Earth Engine / Configuration

Overview Tasks Configuration

Configuration

Access Earth Engine by registering your Cloud project as [commercial](#) or [noncommercial](#)

Earth Engine is a powerful tool for geospatial analysis used for climate, sustainability, and environmental work. Unpaid access is offered to eligible noncommercial organizations, while businesses and governments engaging in operational activities access Earth Engine via paid commercial use.

Register for commercial use

[View pricing plans](#)

[Continue](#)

See if you are eligible for noncommercial use

[View use case examples](#). Noncommercial users may need to re-verify their noncommercial eligibility on a periodic basis.

[Get started](#)

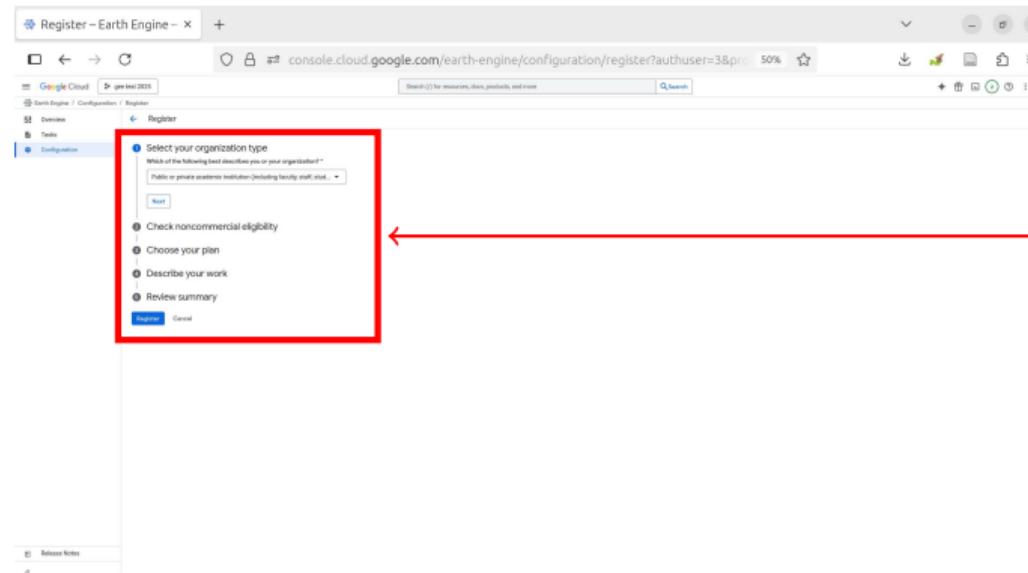
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3.1 Register project



2. Fill in questionnaire
steps 1-5

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<p>1 Select your organization type</p> <p>Which of the following best describes you or your organization?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Public or private academic institution (including faculty, staff, students)</p> <p>Next</p> <p>2 Check noncommercial eligibility</p> <p>3 Choose your plan</p> <p>4 Describe your work</p> <p>5 Review summary</p> <p>Register Cancel</p>	<p>1 Select your organization type</p> <p>2 Check noncommercial eligibility</p> <p>What is the name of your academic institution? *</p> <p>Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México</p> <p>Will you receive any payment (including fee-for-service) from commercial entities, operational entities, or government organizations for applications or data created using Earth Engine? Note: This does not include research-only grants.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p>How would you describe your use of Earth Engine? *</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Scientific research e.g., advancing remote sensing methodologies <input type="radio"/> Decision making e.g., analysis that focuses on decision support</p> <p>What is your research question? *</p> <p>What is the geographic scope of your study? *</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Global <input type="radio"/> Regional</p> <p>Have you previously published work on this topic that used Earth Engine? *</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Check eligibility</p> <p>4 Choose your plan</p> <p>5 Describe your work</p> <p>6 Review summary</p> <p>Register Cancel</p>	<p>1 Select your organization type</p> <p>2 Check noncommercial eligibility</p> <p>3 Choose your plan</p> <p>A pricing plan is not required for noncommercial registration.</p> <p>Next</p> <p>4 Describe your work</p> <p>5 Review summary</p> <p>Register Cancel</p>	<p>1 Select your organization type</p> <p>2 Check noncommercial eligibility</p> <p>3 Choose your plan</p> <p>4 Describe your work</p> <p>Does your work with Earth Engine fall into any of these categories?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mitigation e.g., reduction or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions / CO₂ equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Adaptation e.g., helping people and communities adapt to the impacts of climate change <input type="checkbox"/> Protection & conservation e.g., land and ocean-based interventions to conserve biodiversity and ecosystems</p> <p>Will you use Earth Engine for any of the following? *</p> <p>Natural Disasters / Climate Risk</p> <p>Next</p> <p>5 Review summary</p> <p>Register Cancel</p>	<p>1 Review summary</p> <p>Create and edit the daily limit for usage (EDU-time) through the Earth Engine Configuration page.</p> <p>Organization type</p> <p>Which of the following best describes you or your organization?</p> <p>Public or private academic institution (including faculty, staff, students)</p> <p>Noncommercial eligibility</p> <p>What is the name of your academic institution?</p> <p>Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México</p> <p>Will you receive any payment (including fee-for-service) from commercial entities, operational entities, or government organizations for applications or data created using Earth Engine? Note: This does not include research-only grants.</p> <p>No</p> <p>How would you describe your use of Earth Engine?</p> <p>Scientific research</p> <p>What is your research question?</p> <p>How can satellite imagery help better monitor volcanoes</p> <p>What is the geographic scope of your study?</p> <p>Global</p> <p>Have you previously published work on this topic that used Earth Engine?</p> <p>No</p> <p>Your work</p> <p>Will you use Earth Engine for any of the following?</p> <p>Natural Disasters / Climate Risk</p> <p>This information is collected to verify noncommercial eligibility, inform product improvements, and assess the sustainability impact of Earth Engine usage, subject to the Google Cloud Privacy Notice.</p> <p>Register Cancel</p>

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3.2 Register project

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[Continue](#)

Control EECU-time
Create, edit, and view the daily limit for usage (EECU-time).
[Manage quota](#)

Your Cloud project is registered for noncommercial use
Change your registration details, or update to commercial use if your project no longer meets noncommercial [eligibility requirements](#).
[Manage registration](#)

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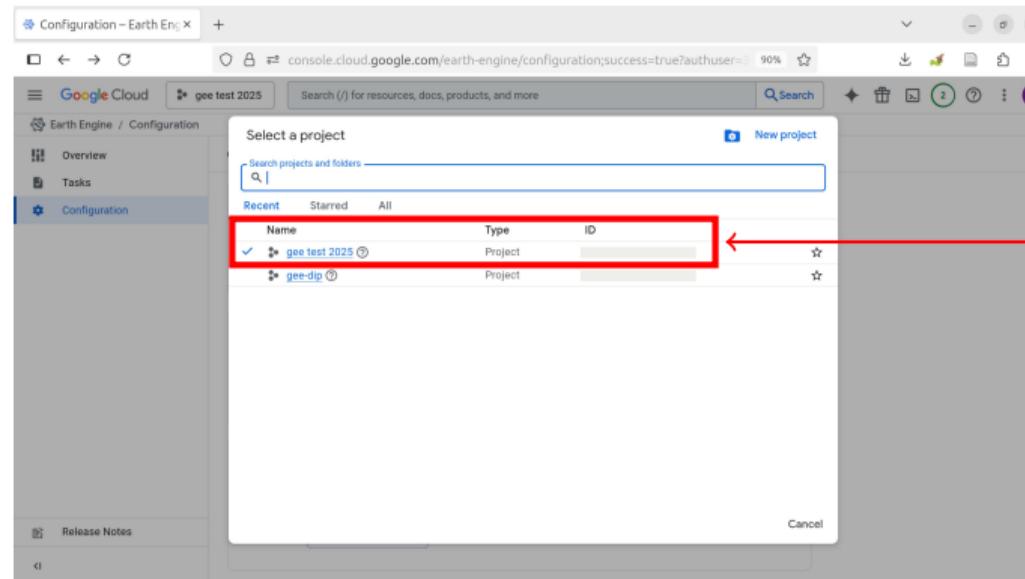
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4. check project id

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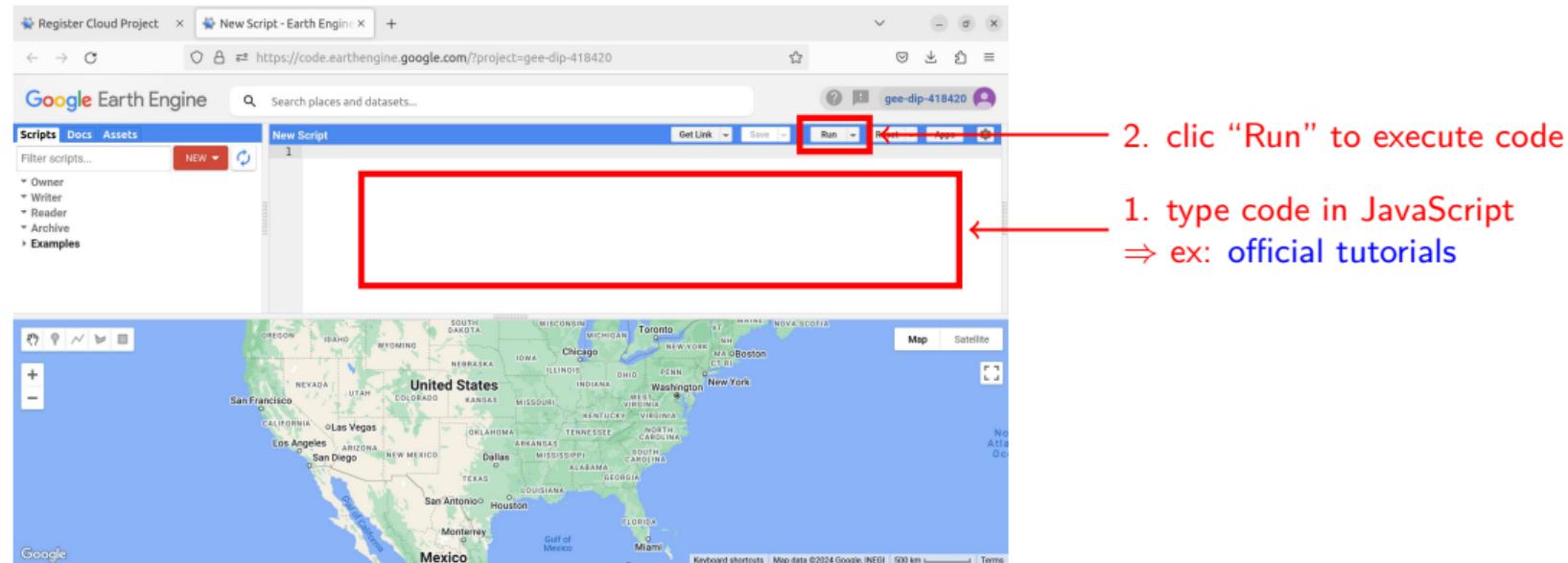


Project info:
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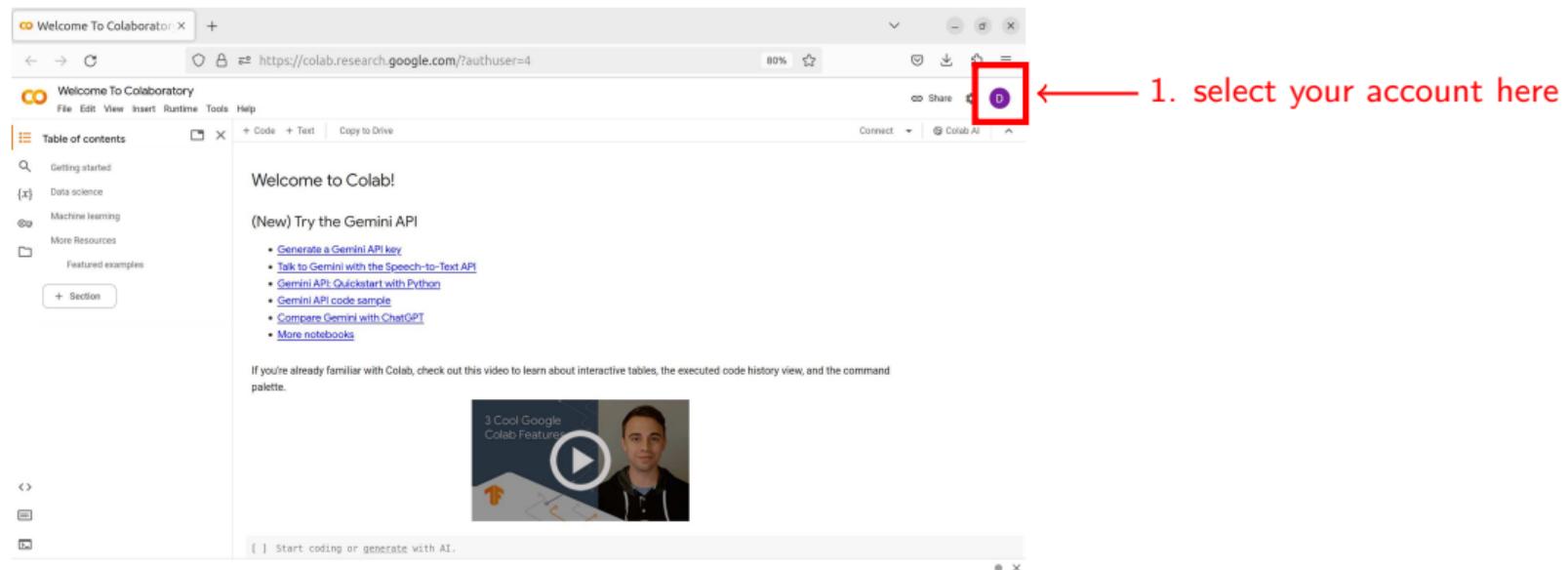
4. (Run GEE in JavaScript IDE) → *in case you want to try*

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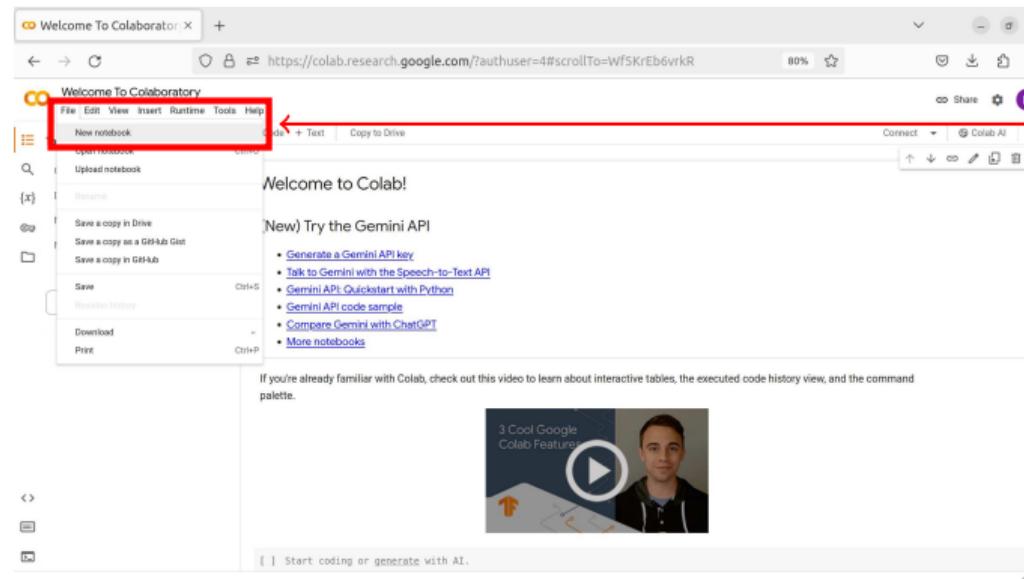
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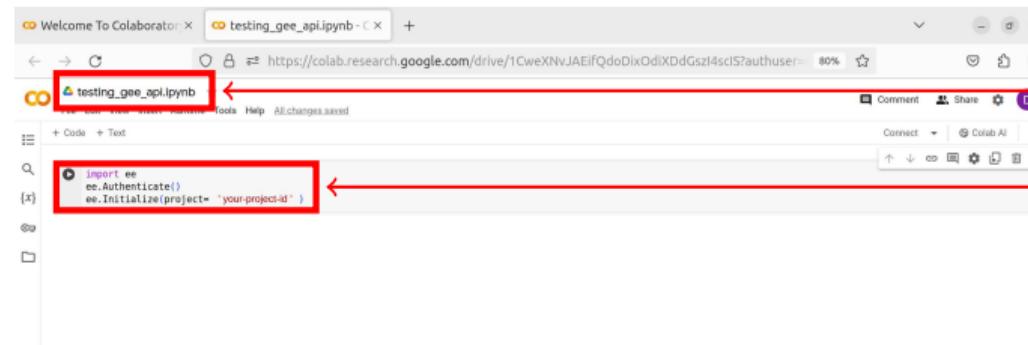
4.2 Create new notebook



2. File - New notebook

4. Access GEE in Colab

4.3 Import ee library & initialize with **project-id** (in which GEE API was enabled)



```
import ee
ee.Authenticate()
ee.Initialize(project='your-project-id')
```

3. rename notebook (optional)

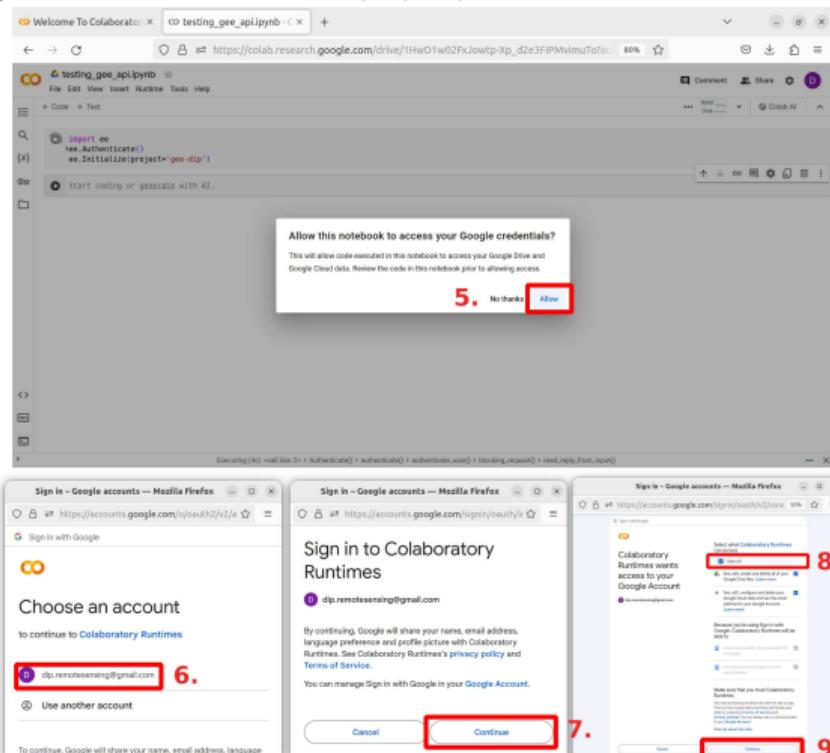
4. import Earth Engine lib (ee),
initialize using **project-id**
(NOT project-name!),
and execute cell

```
import ee
ee.Authenticate()
ee.Initialize(project='your-project-id') # <--- use project-id (NOT project-name!)
```

2.5. Access GEE in Colab

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4.3 Execute cell & give authorizations in pop-up windows



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4.4 Start coding with GEE in Colab !

```
In [1]: import ee  
ee.Authenticate()  
ee.Initialize(project= 'your-project-id')  
  
# Initialize map  
import geemap  
Map = geemap.Map()  
  
# Select image and visualization parameters  
image = ee.Image('LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_TOA/LC08_044034_20140318');  
vizParams = {'bands': ['B4', 'B3', 'B2'], 'min': 0, 'max': 0.3, 'gamma': 1.3}  
  
# Center map on image and display  
Map.centerObject(image, 9)  
Map.addLayer(image, vizParams, 'Landsat 8 true color')  
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10. start coding!
(ex: Tutorial intro-to-python-api)

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3.1. GEE data catalog

GEE's public [data archive](#) includes >40 years of **satellite imagery** expanded daily:

1. **Landsat** collections

⇒ [NASA/USGS Program](#), since 1972

⇒ 9 generation of satellites (polar-orbiting):

- **Landsat-1** (1972) - **Landsat-3** (1978): optical & infrared imaging (VIS/NIR)
- **Landsat-4** (1982) - **Landsat-9** (2021): optical & infrared imaging (VIS/NIR/SWIR/TIR)

⇒ GEE archive includes:

- Landsat 1-5	(1972–1999)	Sensor: MSS (Multispectral Scanner)
- Landsat 4	(1982–1993)	Sensor: TM (Thematic Mapper)
- Landsat 5	(1984–2012)	Sensor: TM (Thematic Mapper)
- Landsat 7	(1999–2021)	Sensor: ETM+ (Enhanced Thematic Mapper Plus)
- Landsat 8	(2013–Present)	Sensor: OLI/TIRS (Op. Land Imager / Therm. Infrared Sensor)
- Landsat 9	(2021–Present)	Sensor: OLI/TIRS (Op. Land Imager / Therm. Infrared Sensor)

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2. **Sentinel** collections

⇒ [ESA/Copernicus Program](#), since 2014

⇒ constellation of satellites consisting comprising various sensors:

- **Sentinel-1**: radar imaging (C-band SAR)
- **Sentinel-2**: optical & infrared imaging (VIS/SWIR)
- **Sentinel-3**: optical & infrared imaging (VIS/SWIR/TIR)
- **Sentinel-5P**: ultra-violet, optical, infrared imaging (UV/VIS/NIR/SWIR)

⇒ GEE archive includes:

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|--|
| - Sentinel 1 | (2014–Present) | Sensor: SAR (C-band), GRD scenes (Ground Range Detected) |
| - Sentinel 2 | (2015–Present) | Sensor: MSI (Multispectral Instrument) |
| - Sentinel 3 | (2016–Present) | Sensor: OLCI (Ocean and Land Color Instrument) |
| - Sentinel 5P | (2018–Present) | Sensor: TROPOMI (TROPOspheric Monitoring Instrument) |

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3. MODIS collections

- ⇒ NASA's "Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer"
- ⇒ sensor on board 2 satellites: Terra (since 1999) & Acqua (since 2002)
- ⇒ GEE archive includes: daily surface spectral reflectances from MODIS, as well as several derived products (e.g., vegetation indices, snow cover, etc)

4. High-Resolution Imagery

- ⇒ GEE archive currently includes: [Planet SkySat](#) Multispectral imagery, and aerial imagery acquired by the NAIP (*National Agriculture Imagery Program*) during the agricultural growing seasons in the continental U.S.

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In addition to satellite imagery, GEE also includes **other scientific datasets**:

1. Digital Elevation Models (DEMs) collections

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2. Thematic datasets:

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- **Climate**: includes climate models generate both long-term climate predictions and historical interpolations of surface variables
- **Atmospheric**: includes ozone data from NASA's TOMS and OMI instruments and the MODIS Monthly Gridded Atmospheric Product
- **Weather**: includes forecasted and measured conditions over short periods of time, including precipitation, temperature, humidity, and wind, and other variables. Includes in particular NOAA's Global Forecast System (GFS) and the NCEP Climate Forecast System (CFSv2)
- **Land Cover**: includes the physical landscape in terms of land cover classes such as forest, grassland, and water
- **Cropland**: includes a number of cropland data products
- **Other Geophysical Data**: includes data from other satellite image sensors

3.2. GEE data model

The GEE data model revolves around the following components:

- **Image objects**

⇒ `ee.Image`

- ⇒ Image objects represent raster data (i.e., satellite imagery, climate data, or any gridded data)
- ⇒ Image objects consist of one or more bands, where each band represents a different type of information (e.g., red, green, blue bands for RGB imagery)

- **Geometry objects**

⇒ `ee.Geometry`

- ⇒ Geometry objects represent vector data (i.e., points, lines, or polygons)
- ⇒ Geometry objects support different geometries: `Point` (a list of coordinates in some projection), `LineString` (a list of points), `LinearRing` (a closed `LineString`), `Polygon` (a list of `LinearRings` where the first is a shell and subsequent rings are holes), as well as `MultiPoint`, `MultiLineString`, and `MultiPolygon`

- **Feature objects**

- ⇒ `ee.Feature`
- ⇒ Feature objects are Geometry objects with attributes
- ⇒ Feature objects store a Geometry object (or null) and a properties property storing a dictionary of other properties

- **Collection objects**

- ⇒ Collections are groups of Image or Feature objects
- ⇒ `ee.ImageCollection`: group of Image objects, which can be organized and filtered based on various criteria such as date, metadata, or spatial location
- ⇒ `ee.FeatureCollection`: group of Feature objects

3.3. Jumpstart into image visualization

```
# Initialize
import geemap
import ee
ee.Authenticate()
ee.Initialize(project='your-project-id') # Initialize using project-id with enabled GEE API
Map = geemap.Map() # Initialize map

# Select image and visualization parameters
image = ee.Image('LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_TOA/LC08_026047_20200116'); # Landsat 8 Top of Atmosphere (TOA) image over Popocatépetl
vis_param = {'bands': ['B4', 'B3', 'B2'], 'min': 0, 'max': 0.3, 'gamma': 1.3} # Select bands for true color RGB

# Center map on image and display
Map.centerObject(image, 9)
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