



Data Engineering on Google Cloud

Get hands-on experience with designing and building data processing systems on Google Cloud. This course uses lectures, demos, and hands-on labs to show you how to design data processing systems, build end-to-end data pipelines, analyze data, and implement machine learning. This course covers structured, unstructured, and streaming data.

**DURATION**

4 days
(1 day per course)

**LEVEL**

Intermediate

**FORMAT**

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What you'll learn

- Design scalable data processing systems in Google Cloud.
- Differentiate data architectures and implement data lakehouse and pipeline concepts.
- Build and manage robust streaming and batch data pipelines.
- Utilize AI/ML tools to optimize performance and gain process and data insights.



Overview	19 modules · 21 videos · 18 labs · 18 classroom activities
Who this course is for	Data Engineers, Data Analysts, and Data Architects
Products	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AlloyDB• BigLake• BigQuery• Bigtable• Cloud Composer• Cloud Data Fusion• Cloud Logging• Cloud Monitoring• Dataflow• Dataform• Dataplex Universal Catalog• Dataproc• Managed Service for Apache Kafka• Pub/Sub• Serverless for Apache Spark• VertexAI <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding of data engineering principles, including ETL/ELT processes, data modeling, and common data formats (Avro, Parquet, JSON).• Familiarity with data architecture concepts, specifically Data Warehouses and Data Lakes.• Proficiency in SQL for data querying.• Proficiency in a common programming language (Python recommended).• Familiarity with using Command Line Interfaces (CLI).• Familiarity with core Google Cloud concepts and services (Compute, Storage, and Identity management).
Course structure	<p>This course is comprised of the following four courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to Data Engineering on Google Cloud T-IDEGC-B• Build Data Lakes and Data Warehouses with Google Cloud T-DLAKES-I• Build Batch Data Pipelines on Google Cloud T-BATCHD-I• Build Streaming Data Pipelines on Google Cloud T-STREAM-I



Course 1 | Introduction to Data Engineering on Google Cloud

Course 1.0.1: T-IDEGC-B

Module 01 Data Engineering Tasks and Components

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role of a data engineer• Data sources versus data sinks• Data formats• Storage solution options on Google Cloud• Metadata management options on Google Cloud• Sharing datasets using Analytics Hub
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explain the role of a data engineer.• Understand the differences between a data source and a data sink.• Explain the different types of data formats.• Explain the storage solution options on Google Cloud.• Learn about the metadata management options on Google Cloud.• Understand how to share datasets with ease using Analytics Hub.• Understand how to load data into BigQuery using the Google Cloud console or the gcloud CLI.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab: Loading Data into BigQuery• Quiz

Module 02 Data Replication and Migration

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replication and migration architecture• The gcloud command-line tool• Moving datasets• Datastream
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explain the baseline Google Cloud data replication and migration architecture.• Understand the options and use cases for the gcloud command-line tool.• Explain the functionality and use cases for Storage Transfer Service.• Explain the functionality and use cases for Transfer Appliance.• Understand the features and deployment of Datastream.



- Activities**
- Explain the baseline Google Cloud data replication and migration architecture.
 - Understand the options and use cases for the gcloud command-line tool.
 - Explain the functionality and use cases for Storage Transfer Service.
 - Explain the functionality and use cases for Transfer Appliance.
 - Understand the features and deployment of Datastream.
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Module 03 The Extract and Load Data Pipeline Pattern

- Topics**
- Extract and load architecture
 - The bq command-line tool
 - BigQuery Data Transfer Service
 - BigLake
- Objectives**
- Explain the baseline extract and load architecture diagram.
 - Understand the options of the bq command-line tool.
 - Explain the functionality and use cases for BigQuery Data Transfer Service.
 - Explain the functionality and use cases for BigLake as a non-extract-load pattern
- Activities**
- Lab: BigLake: Qwik Start
 - Quiz
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Module 04 The Extract, Load, and Transform Data Pipeline Pattern

- Topics**
- Extract, load, and transform (ELT) architecture
 - SQL scripting and scheduling with BigQuery
 - Dataform
- Objectives**
- Explain the baseline extract, load, and transform architecture diagram.
 - Understand a common ELT pipeline on Google Cloud.
 - Learn about BigQuery's SQL scripting and scheduling capabilities.
 - Explain the functionality and use cases for Dataform.
- Activities**
- Lab: Create and Execute a SQL Workflow in Dataform
 - Quiz
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Module 05 The Extract, Transform, and Load Data Pipeline Pattern

- Topics**
- Extract, transform, and load (ETL) architecture
 - Google Cloud GUI tools for ETL data pipelines
 - Batch data processing using Dataproc
 - Streaming data processing options
 - Bigtable and data pipelines



Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the baseline extract, transform, and load architecture diagram. • Learn about the GUI tools on Google Cloud used for ETL data pipelines. • Explain batch data processing using Dataproc. • Learn how to use Dataproc Serverless for Spark for ETL. • Explain streaming data processing options. • Explain the role Bigtable plays in data pipelines.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lab: Use Dataproc Serverless for Spark to Load BigQuery (optional) • Lab: Creating a Streaming Data Pipeline for a Real-Time Dashboard with Dataflow • Quiz

Module 06 Automation Techniques

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automation patterns and options for pipelines • Cloud Scheduler and Workflows • Cloud Composer • Cloud Run Functions • Eventarc
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the automation patterns and options available for pipelines. • Learn about Cloud Scheduler and Workflows. • Learn about Cloud Composer. • Learn about Cloud Run functions. • Explain the functionality and automation use cases for Eventarc.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lab: Use Cloud Run Functions to Load BigQuery (optional) • Quiz

Course 2 | Build Data Lakes and Data Warehouses with Google Cloud

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Module 07 Introduction to Modern Data Engineering on Google Cloud

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The classics: Data lakes and data warehouses • The modern approach: Data lakehouse • Choosing the right architecture
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare and contrast data lake, data warehouse, and data lakehouse architectures • Evaluate the benefits of the lakehouse approach



Activities

Quiz

Module 08 Building a data lakehouse with Cloud Storage, open formats, and BigQuery

Topics

- Building a data lake foundation
- Introduction to Apache Iceberg open table format
- BigQuery as the central processing engine
- Combining operational data in AlloyDB
- Combining operational and analytical data with federated queries
- Real world use case

Objectives

- Discuss data storage options, including Cloud Storage for files, open table formats like Apache Iceberg, BigQuery for analytic data, and AlloyDB for operational data.
- Understand the role of AlloyDB for operational data use cases.

Activities

- Quiz
 - Lab: Federated Query with BigQuery
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Module 09 Modernizing Data Warehouses with BigQuery and BigLake

Topics

- BigQuery fundamentals
- Partitioning and clustering in BigQuery
- Introducing BigLake and external tables

Objectives

- Explain why BigQuery is a scalable data warehousing solution on Google Cloud.
- Discuss the core concepts of BigQuery.
- Understand BigLake's role in creating a unified lakehouse architecture and its integration with BigQuery for external data.
- Learn how BigQuery natively interacts with Apache Iceberg tables via BigLake.

Activities

- Quiz
 - Lab: Querying External Data and Iceberg Tables
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Module 10 Advanced lakehouse patterns and data governance

Topics

- Data governance and security in a unified platform
- Demo: Data Loss Prevention
- Analytics and machine learning on the lakehouse
- Real-world lakehouse architectures and migration strategies



Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement robust data governance and security practices across the unified data platform, including sensitive data protection and metadata management.• Explore advanced analytics and machine learning directly on lakehouse data
Activities	Quiz

Module 11 Labs and best practices

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review• Best practices
Objectives	Reinforce the core principles of Google Cloud's data platform
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab: Getting Started with BigQuery ML• Lab: Vector Search with BigQuery

Course 3 | Build Batch Data Pipelines on Google Cloud

Course 3.0.0: T-BATCHD-I

Module 12 When to choose batch data pipelines

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Batch data pipelines and their use cases• Processing and common challenges
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explain the critical role of a data engineer in developing and maintaining batch data pipelines.• Describe the core components and typical lifecycle of batch data pipelines from ingestion to downstream consumption.• Analyze common challenges in batch data processing, such as data volume, quality, complexity, and reliability, and identify key Google Cloud services that can address them.
Activities	Quiz

Module 13 Design and Build Scalable Batch Data Pipelines

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design batch pipelines• Large scale data transformations• Dataflow and Serverless for Apache Spark• Data connections and orchestration• Execute an Apache Spark pipeline• Optimize batch pipeline performance
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Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design scalable batch data pipelines for high-volume data ingestion and transformation.• Optimize batch jobs for high throughput and cost-efficiency using various resource management and performance tuning techniques.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quiz• Lab: Build a Simple Batch Data Pipeline with Serverless for Apache Spark (optional)• Lab: Build a Simple Batch Data Pipeline with Dataflow Job Builder UI (optional)

Module 14 Control Data Quality in Batch Data Pipelines

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Batch data validation and cleansing• Log and analyze errors• Schema evolution for batch pipelines• Data integrity and duplication• Deduplication with Serverless for Apache Spark• Deduplication with Dataflow
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop data validation rules and cleansing logic to ensure data quality within batch pipelines.• Implement strategies for managing schema evolution and performing data deduplication in large datasets.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab: Validate Data Quality in a Batch Pipeline with Serverless for Apache Spark (optional)• Quiz

Module 15 Orchestrate and Monitor Batch Data Pipelines

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orchestration for batch processing• Cloud Composer• Unified observability• Alerts and troubleshooting• Visual pipeline management
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orchestrate complex batch data pipeline workflows for efficient scheduling and lineage tracking.• Implement robust error handling, monitoring, and observability for batch data pipelines.
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab: Building Batch Pipelines in Cloud Data Fusion• Quiz



Course 4 | Build Streaming Data Pipelines on Google Cloud

Course 3.0.0: T-STREAM-I

Module 16 Course introduction

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Course learning objectives• Course prerequisites• The use case• About the company• The challenge• The mission
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduce the course learning objectives, and the scenario that will be used to bring hands on learning to building streaming data pipelines• Describe the concept of streaming data pipelines, challenges associated with it, and the role of these pipelines within the data engineering process.

Module 17 Streaming use cases and reference architectures

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to streaming data pipelines on Google Cloud• Streaming ETL• Streaming AI/ML• Streaming applications• Reverse ETL
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand various streaming use cases and their applications, including Streaming ETL, Streaming AI/ML, Streaming Application, and Reverse ETL• Identify and describe common sample architectures for streaming data, including Streaming ETL, Streaming AI/ML, Streaming Application, and Reverse ETL.
Activities	Quiz

Module 18 Product deep dives

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding the products• Architectural considerations for Pub/Sub and Managed Service for Apache Kafka• Dataflow: The processing powerhouse• BigQuery: The analytical engine• Bigtable: The solution for operational data
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Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pub/Sub and Managed Service for Apache Kafka<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Define messaging concepts* Know when to use Pub/Sub or Managed Service for Apache Kafka• Dataflow<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Describe the service and challenges with streaming data* Build and deploy a streaming pipeline• BigQuery<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Explore various data ingestion methods* Use BigQuery continuous queries, BigQuery ETL, and reverse ETL* Configure Pub/Sub to BigQuery streaming* Architecting BigQuery streaming pipelines• Bigtable<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Describe the big picture of data movement and interaction* Establish a streaming pipeline from Dataflow to Bigtable* Analyze the Bigtable continuous data stream for trends using BigQuery* Synchronize the trends analysis back into the user-facing application
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab: Stream data with pipelines - Esports use case (optional)• Quiz• Lab: Use Apache Beam and Bigtable to enrich esports downloadable content (DLC) data• Quiz• Lab: Stream e-sports data with Pub/Sub and BigQuery• Quiz• Lab: Monitor e-sports chat with Streamlit• Quiz

Module 19 Key takeaways

Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What you've accomplished• Next steps
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