

Google Cloud Instance Configuration

CS 3113, Spring 2019

This tutorial goes through how to set up your own Google Compute Engine (GCE) instance to work on the assignments. Each student will have \$50 in credit for use during the semester. Please try to use the resources judiciously. Adding additional credits is a bit difficult. When you sign up for GCP the first time, you also receive \$300 credits from Google that you can use for the course.

You will connect to the Google cloud through a terminal or shell. This is the standard way of interacting with *nix family systems. This tutorial will also help you set up your own terminal access.

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SSH

The Secure SHell (SSH) provides a range of secure access tools to remote machines. For this class, we will be using it to establish a terminal (command-line) connection to your virtual machine instance.

We are using key-based authentication to your compute instances. This means that access will be linked to specific computers and accounts that you will be accessing your instance from. Also, you will not use a password for access (unless your local private key is encrypted).

Configuring SSH on your Laptop: Unix (OSX, Linux)

Installation: ssh is typically installed by default under these OSes.

Configuration: If you already have a `~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub` in your home (user) directory, then you are done. You can check for this file by typing:

```
ls ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
```

Otherwise, generate a public/private key pair on your local machine. At the command line, type:

```
ssh-keygen
```

It is okay to use an empty passphrase, but doing so means that your private key is unencrypted (this is often okay, since it is stored on your local machine only, but is a problem if your laptop is compromised).

Configuring SSH on your Laptop: Windows

Installation:

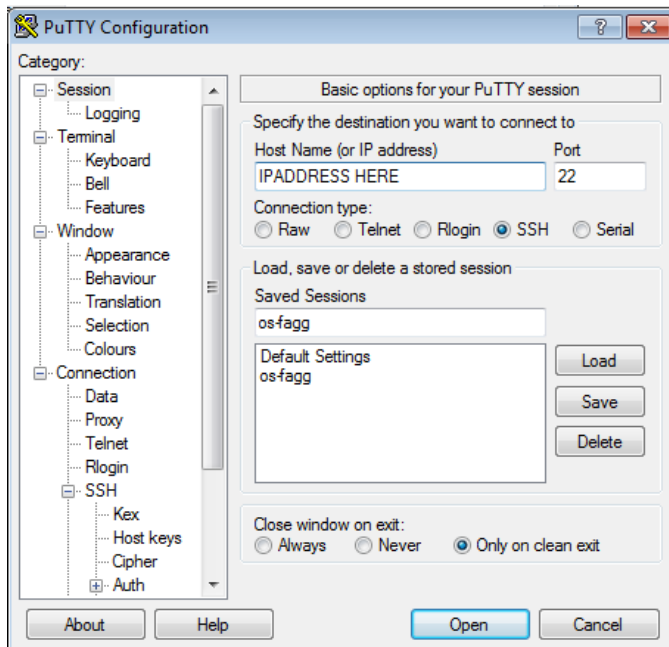
- Install PuTTY: <https://www.ssh.com/ssh/putty/windows/>

Configuration:

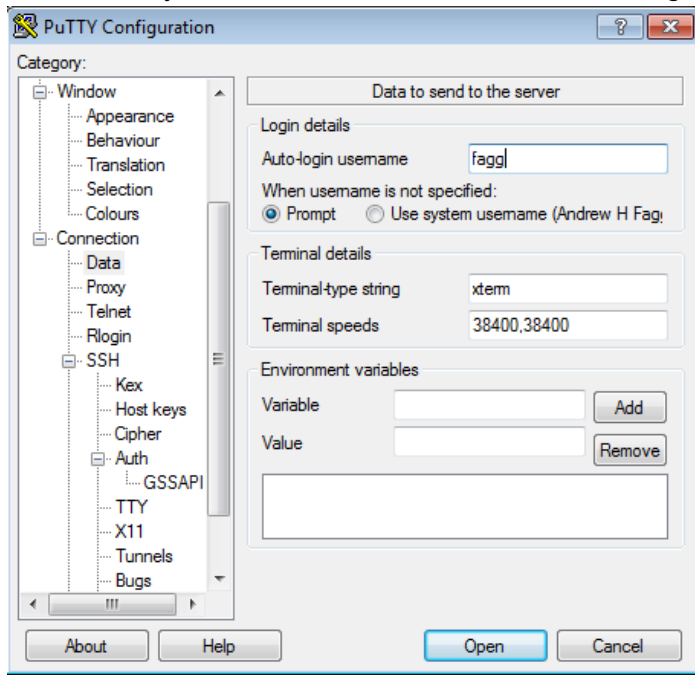
- Use the puttygen to generate a public/private key pair
 - See <https://www.ssh.com/ssh/putty/windows/puttygen>
 - Save both the public and private keys to a file. It is important that you safeguard the private key (do not share it!)
- Use putty to connect to your instance. To take this step, you will first need to set up and configure your instance (described below).

In the PuTTY Configuration Window:

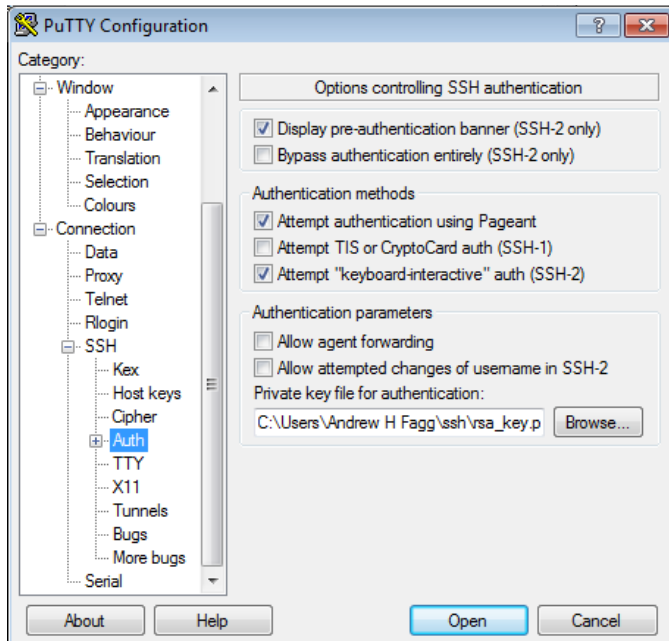
- Insert the **static IP address** of your instance. You will not have this until setting up your instance.



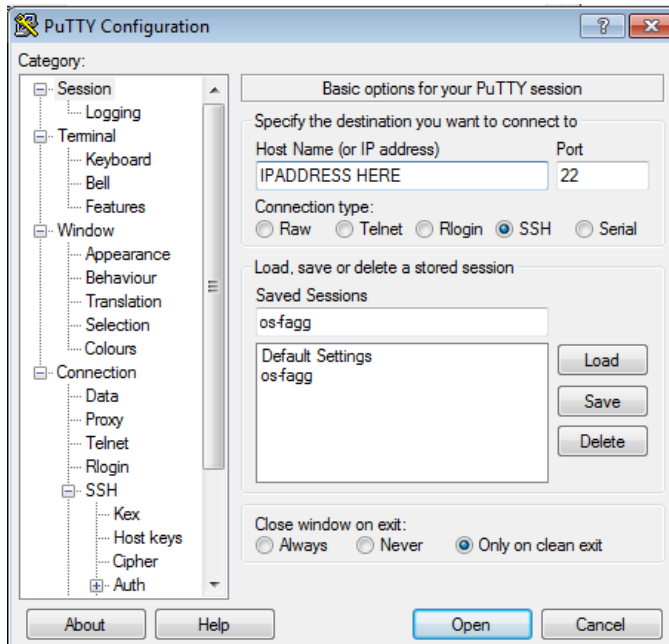
- Select Connection > Data from the left-hand menu.
- Add your instance user name to the *Auto-login username* field.



- Select Connection > SSH > Auth from the left-hand menu.
- Browse to and select the private ssh key file

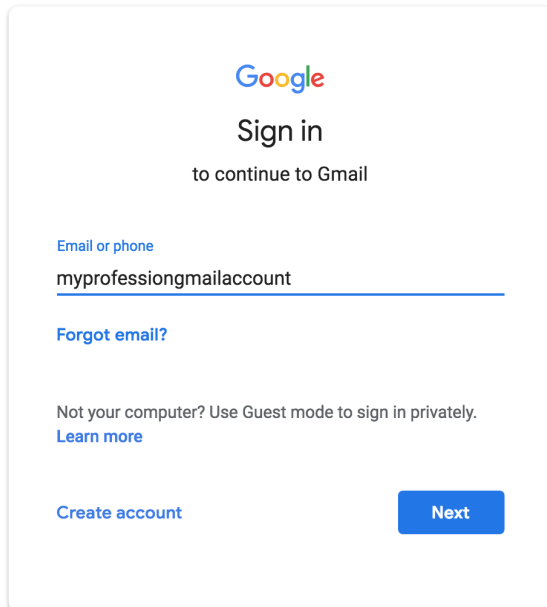


- Save your session so you can recall these settings quickly.



Google Cloud Account

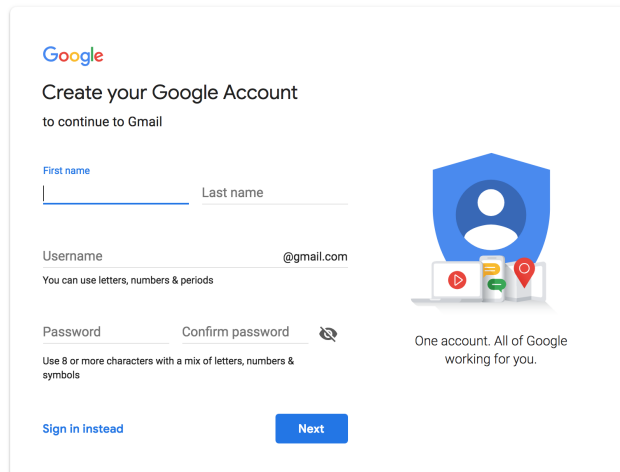
Create a Gmail account if you haven't already at <https://gmail.google.com>



The image shows the Google sign-in page. At the top is the Google logo. Below it, the text reads "Sign in to continue to Gmail". There is a text input field labeled "Email or phone" containing the text "myprofessiongmailaccount". Below the input field are links for "Forgot email?" and "Not your computer? Use Guest mode to sign in privately. Learn more". At the bottom left is a link "Create account" and at the bottom right is a blue button labeled "Next".

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The image shows the "Create your Google Account" page. It features the Google logo and the text "Create your Google Account to continue to Gmail". There are input fields for "First name" and "Last name". Below that is a "Username" field with "@gmail.com" as a placeholder and a note: "You can use letters, numbers & periods". There are also "Password" and "Confirm password" fields with an eye icon for visibility. A blue shield icon with a person silhouette is shown next to the text "One account. All of Google working for you." At the bottom left is a link "Sign in instead" and at the bottom right is a blue button labeled "Next".

- An email has been sent to you by the OS instructors containing information on how to create and apply Google Cloud Credits. Be sure you are logged into a Gmail account that you would like to use for this course. Fill in your OU email. You will have to verify your email.

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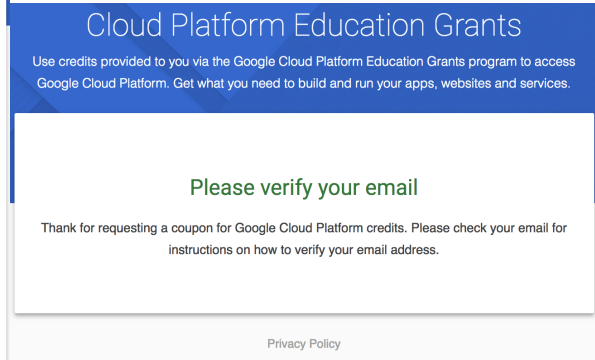
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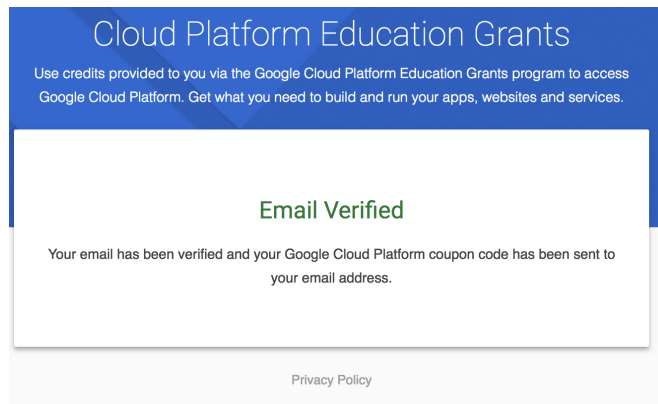
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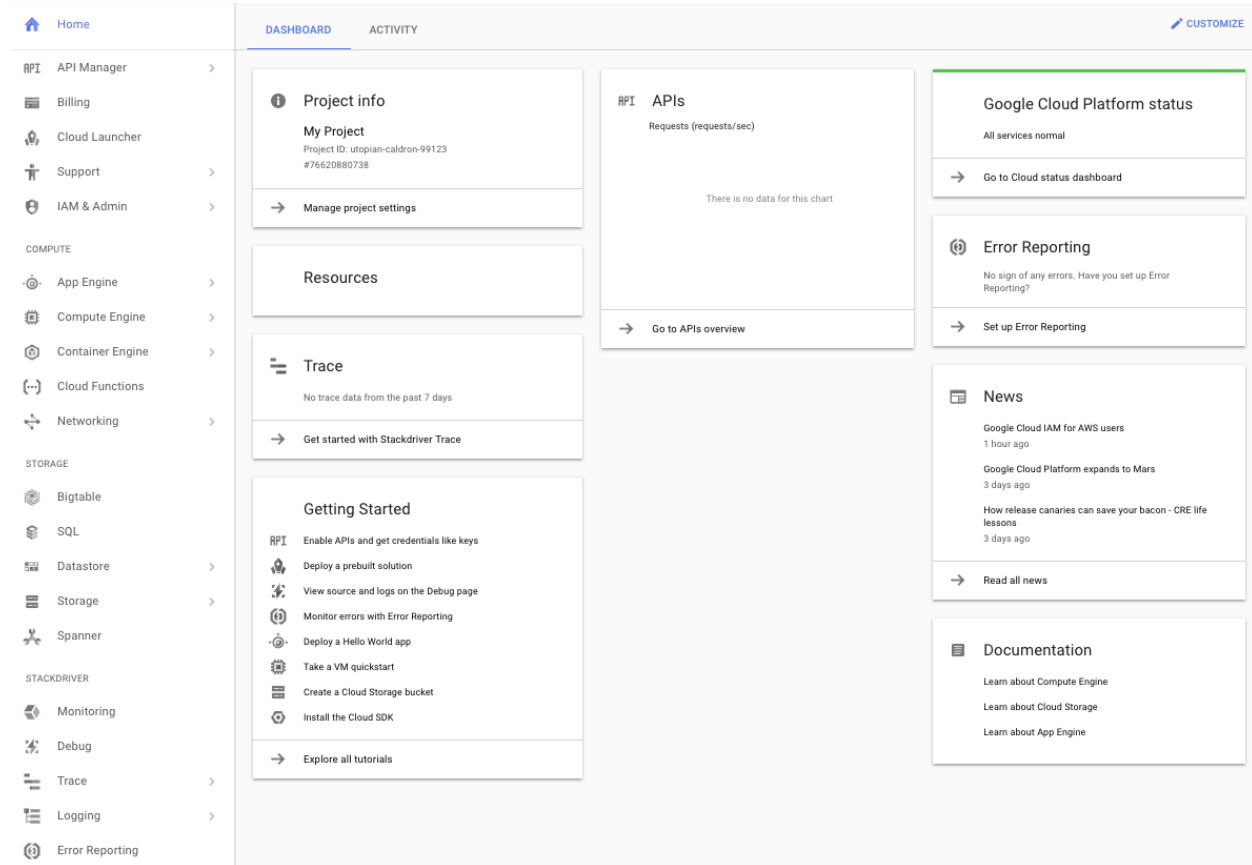
Projects linked to this billing account

There are no projects linked to this billing account.

Compute Console

The compute console is where you will be creating and manipulating your virtual machine instance(s). This can be reached at <https://console.cloud.google.com>

The main console/dashboard looks like the following:



The console lists your active projects to which virtual machines are attached. Initially, you have one project with a default name (*My Project*). To change the name of your project, click on Manage project settings on the Project info button and save your changes.

Creating/Configuring Your Virtual Machine Instance

Create Your Instance

From the left-hand side of your Google cloud console, select *Compute Engine*

From Compute Engine / VM Instances, in the pop-up select *CREATE*

- (For those returning to the Google cloud console select: *CREATE INSTANCE*)

You will mostly use the defaults, but change:

- Machine type: micro (this is changeable later)
- Boot disk: select "Ubuntu 18.10"
- Firewall: Allow HTTP and HTTPS traffic
- Region: us-central1-c
- All full access to all Cloud APIs

Note that the f1-mico (*0.6 GB 1 shared vCPU*) instance will be free --- it will not cost more than the free tier. There are several [zone options](#), so you can choose the one where you would like your virtual instance to live. The closest zone is us-central1, this zone is located in [Council Bluffs, Iowa](#). Set your zone to **us-central1-c** they will have the configurations we need.

Then click CREATE

After the instance is created: Select the instance from the “VM instances” list. You can view your instances here: <https://console.cloud.google.com/compute/instances>

Name	Zone	Recommendation	Internal IP	External IP	Connect
os-fagg-1	us-east1-b		10.142.0.2 (nic0)	None	SSH

Reserving an External, Static IP

If the instance is currently running, click on “STOP”

Click on “EDIT”

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform interface for a VM instance named 'os-fagg-1'. The top navigation bar includes 'Google Cloud Platform' and 'My First Project'. The left sidebar lists various Compute Engine resources, with 'VM instances' selected. The main content area shows the 'VM instance details' for 'os-fagg-1', including options for 'Remote access' (SSH), 'Logs', and 'Machine type' (f1-micro).

Reserve a static IP address:

<https://console.cloud.google.com/networking/addresses/add>

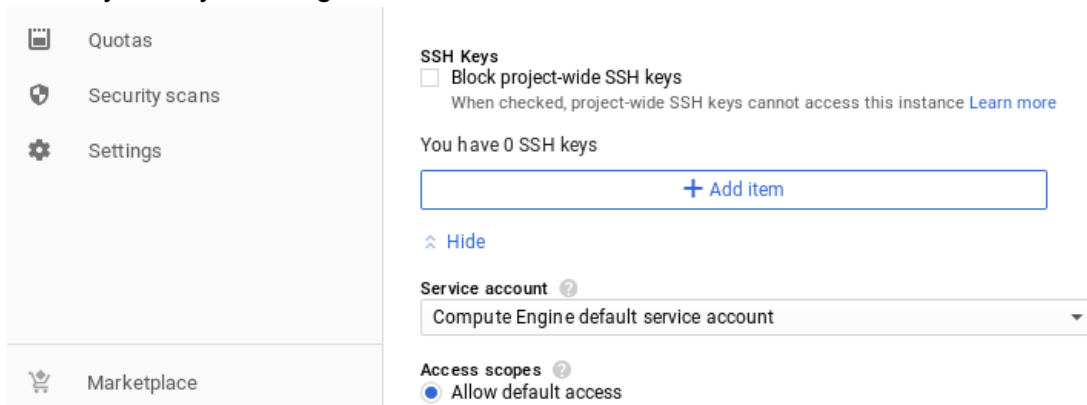
- Network service tier: Premium
- Region: select us-central1
- Attach to: select your new instance
- Click “Reserve”

The screenshot shows the 'Reserve a static address' form in the Google Cloud Platform. The form includes fields for 'Name' (os-fagg-1), 'Description', 'Network Service Tier' (Premium selected), 'IP version' (IPv4 selected), 'Type' (Regional selected), 'Region', and 'Attached to' (None). A warning message states: 'Static IP addresses not attached to an instance or load balancer are billed at an hourly rate'. The 'Reserve' button is highlighted.

Configure ssh keys

Go back to your VM Instance Dashboard

- Select your instance
- Click “Edit”
- Under “SSH keys”, click Add Item
- Copy your laptop public key (e.g. `id_rsa.pub`) onto your clipboard.
- Paste the key into the *SSH Key* text box. NOTE: your user ID at the end of the ssh key must match your google ID name. (i.e., myprofessionalgmailaccount@gmail.com). Also, make sure that your key does not include newlines when you are pasting it in.
- Click “Save” at the bottom of the page
- Add a second key. Paste the contents of the following file into the text box: https://oudalab.github.io/cs3113sp19/instance/id_rsa_cs3113.pub
- Note that you can add additional keys, for example, to support other local computers that you may be using



Start your instance:

- Click “Start” at the top of the page

Admin Access to your Instance

From the google cloud *VM Instance* page:

- Connect column: SSH: select *connect in browser window*.
- Wait for connection to be established (you will ultimately see a terminal window)
- You are now logged into the shell under your user ID.
- You can execute any command as the administrator (root) by prefacing the command with the *sudo* command. Doing this should be used only when necessary and with some degree of caution. However, at any time, you can delete your Instance (contents of the disk drive and all) and start again (of course, you will lose you prior work).

Configuring your Instance for the First Time

- Connect to your instance as the administrator.
- Update the current version of the OS and other software:

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt dist-upgrade -y
```

Generally, it is safe to answer 'Y' to the installation question. You should expect to do this from time to time. You can find the full script containing the installations we need on the course website: <https://oudalab.github.io/cs3113sp19/instance/startup.sh>

- **Install additional software**

```
sudo apt install -y emacs vim htop tmux tree ranger glances
sudo apt install -y gcc gdb make
sudo apt install -y valgrind strace
sudo apt install -y linux-tools-common linux-tools-generic
sudo apt install -y linux-tools-`uname -r`
sudo apt install -y libcap-dev
sudo apt install -y libacl1-dev
```

- **Reboot your instance**

```
sudo shutdown -r now
```

This is sometimes a necessary step after software installation (especially if your linux kernel version or other supporting libraries have been upgraded).

- **Register your instance with the class: fill out the following form (this is homework zero!):**
<https://goo.gl/forms/lurM8ZU4hf4iX2gV2>

In response to your VM registration, we will verify that we are able to access your instance. Note that if we cannot access your instance, we cannot help you in configuring it and we cannot grade your assignments

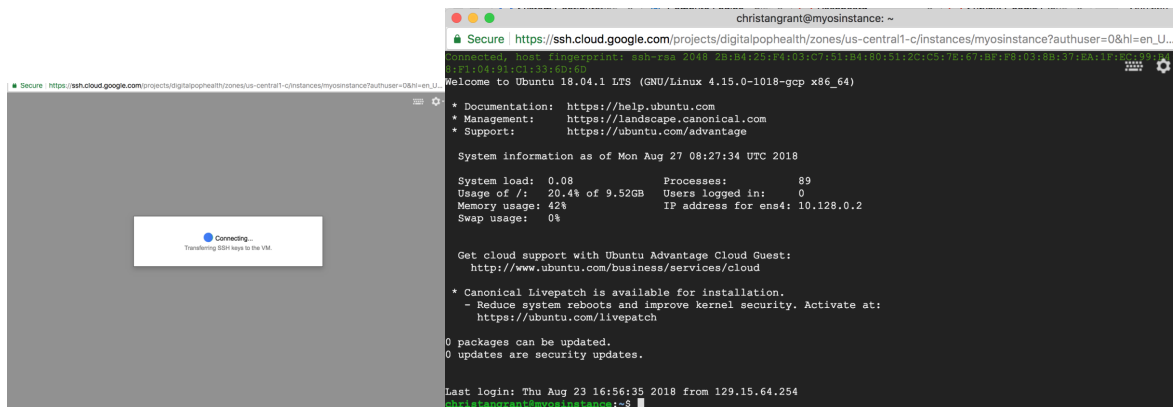
Connecting to your Instance

SSH to you Instance: Browser

The simplest method to connect to an instance to use the browser. The does not require any additional key configuration.

Name	Zone	Recommendation	Internal IP	External IP	Connect
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> myosinstance	us-central1-c	Increase perf.	10.128.0.2 (nic0)	35.202.208.64	SSH

- Open in browser window
- Open in browser window on custom port
- View gcloud command
- Use another SSH client



SSH to your Instance: Unix

In the terminal window on your local machine, type:

```
ssh <External Static IP address> -l <google account username>
```

Where:

- <External Static IP address> is the external static IP address of your VM instance
- <google account username> is your username on your instance

If everything is configured properly, you will now have a terminal connection to your instance.

SSH to your Instance: Windows

- Open putty
- Select your saved session
- Click *Open*

Putty will open up a new window. If everything is configured properly, you will now have a terminal connection to your instance.

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