How to find any duplicate files in Google Drive

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GAT+ audit provides an extensive and comprehensive view of overall Google Drive files on your domain.

An Admin can filter and search for any **Duplicate files in Google Drive.**

Find Duplicate Content files

Navigate to **GAT+ → Drive → Apply custom filter →** set **Type - Duplicated Files**

> *Note: It might take some time to complete,* ***set a more restrictive filter if the query times out.***

IMPORTANT: md5 field is not available for files scanned before March 2021, contact support to request a full re-scan.

Add an additional filter to search for the Duplicates:

- **by specific user**
- **by date last updated**
- **Min number of duplicates - 2**
  - **Min file size - 1 KB**
  - **Max file size - 2 MB**

The filter: **Selects (non-Google) files that have the same size and md5 checksum.**

Result

The result will show **all the (Non-Google) Duplicated Files** based on the **filter applied.**

md5 checksum & number of copies

The **md5 checksum** table shows the MD5 Checksum and the **number of copies** the File has.

- The shown files have **2 files** (copies) - as the screenshot above

View MD5 Checksum

Select the "**Column visibility**" button from the right side and **enable the md5 checksum.**