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**PySpark requires Python 2.6 or later, and does not officially support Python 3. However, with only minor configuration changes, it is possible to successfully run a Spark cluster using Python 3 for both PySpark drivers and workers.**

<https://github.com/lcdm-uiuc>

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

## **2. ASSUMPTIONS**

This technical report will make the assumption that you have already set up a Spark Cluster with a CentOS worker base image.

## **3. EXAMPLES OF ARTICLE COMPONENTS**

The sections below show examples of different article components.

## **FUNDING INFORMATION**

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## **SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS**

## **REFERENCES**