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Chapter 1. Introduction and Document Overview

The Secure Data Commons (SDC) is a United States Department of Transportation (U.S DOT) sponsored cloud-based analytical sandbox designed to create wider access to sensitive transportation data sets, with the goal of advancing the state of the art of transportation research and state/local traffic management.

The SDC stores sensitive transportation data made available by participating data providers, and grants access to approved researchers to these datasets. The SDC also provides access to open-source tools, and allow researchers to collaborate and share code with other system users.

The SDC platform is a research environment that allows users to conduct analyses and do development and testing of new tools and software products. It is not intended to be an alternative to any local jurisdiction's traffic management center or local data repository. The existing SDC provides users with the following data, tools, and features:

- **Data:** The SDC is ingesting several datasets currently. Additional data sets will be added to the environment over time. Users can bring their own data into the environment to use along with the Waze data.
- **Tools:** The environment provides access to open source tools including Python, RStudio, Microsoft R, SQL Workbench, Power BI, and Jupyter Notebook. These tools are available on a virtual machine in the system enabling data analytics in the cloud.
- **Functionality:** Users can access and analyze data within the environment, save their work to a virtual machine, and publish processes and results to share with others

The SDC platform supports two major roles:

- **Data Providers** – These are entities that provide data hosted on the SDC platform. The data provider establishes the data protection needs and acceptable use terms for the data analysts.
- **Data Analysts** – These are entities that conduct analysis of the datasets hosted in the SDC system. Note that analysts can bring their own data and tools into the SDC system.

This document provides guidance for the **Data Analyst** role. A similar guide will be prepared for the data providers. The document is organized as follows:

- Initial Setup and Validation
- Workstation Access
- Sample Queries

- Exporting Data
- Importing and Exporting Code
- Accessing External Data Sources within SDC
- Technical Support and Contact Information
- Frequently Asked Questions

Chapter 2. Initial Setup and Validation

This chapter provides guidance on the initial setup and validation of the user into the SDC system.

Accessing Portal

Users will access a SDC web portal by clicking on <https://portal.securedatacommons.com>.

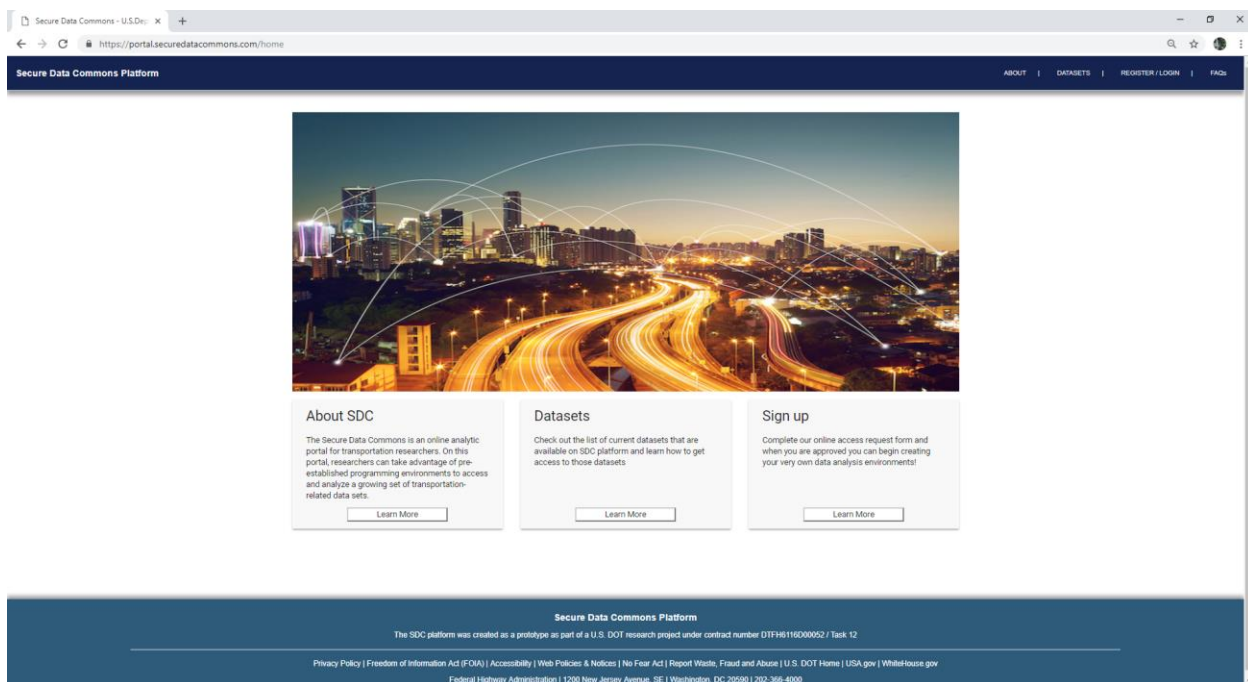


Figure 1. Screenshot of SDC web portal (Source: REAN Cloud).

Users can click on the “REGISTER/LOGIN” button on the right and perform the following actions on the login page:

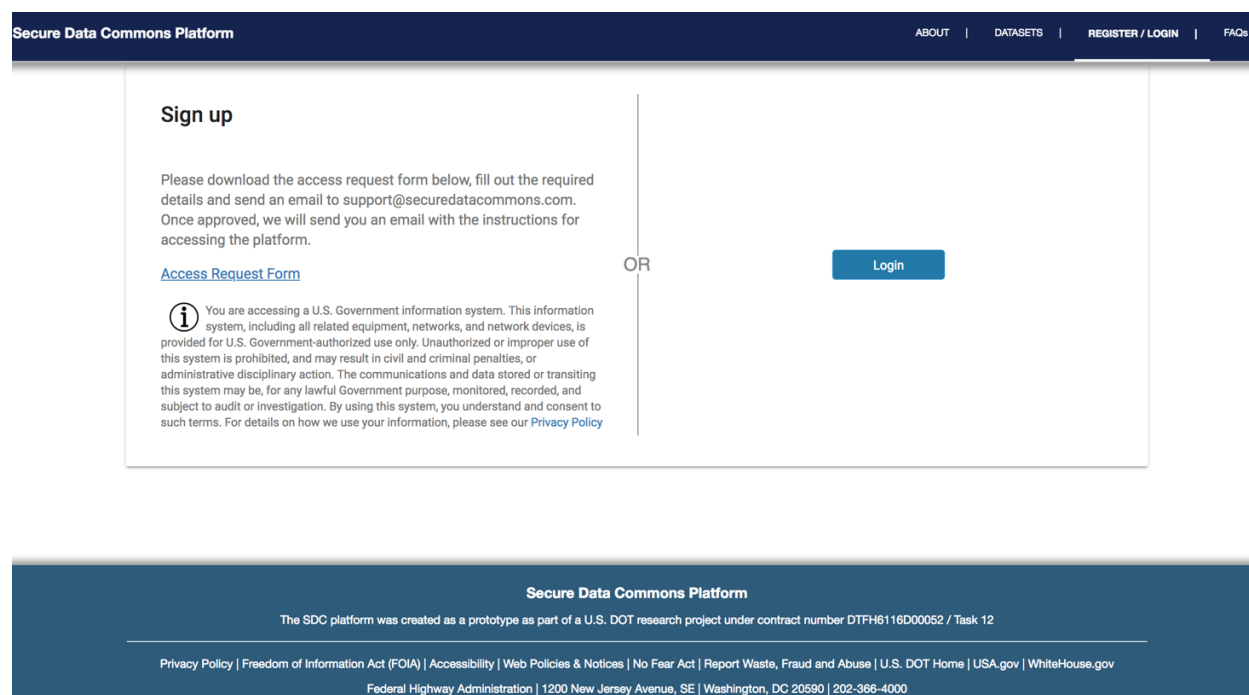


Figure 2. Screenshot of the REGISTER/LOGIN page (Source: REAN Cloud).

Clicking on login will redirect users to the Secure Data Commons platform login page

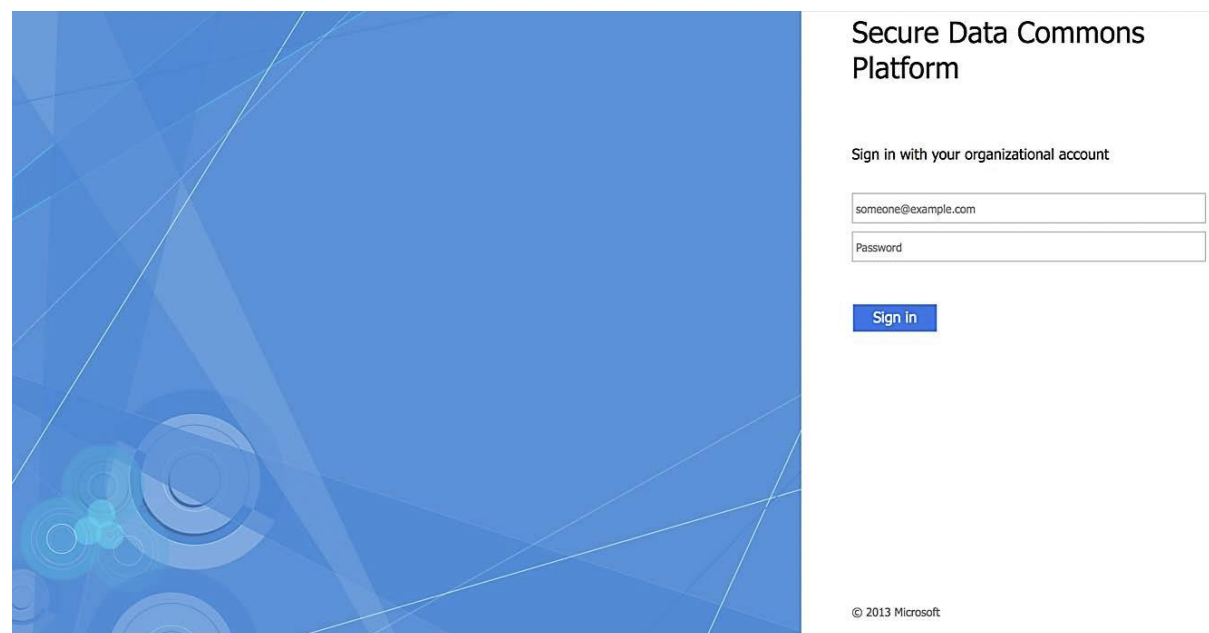


Figure 3. Screenshot of the SDC login page (Source: REAN Cloud).

If the user is accessing the portal for the first time, they will be prompted to change the password after entering the credentials provided in the welcome email.

Upon successfully logging in the user is redirected to the landing page, which provides an overview of Secure Data Commons and the different actions the user can perform from the web portal.

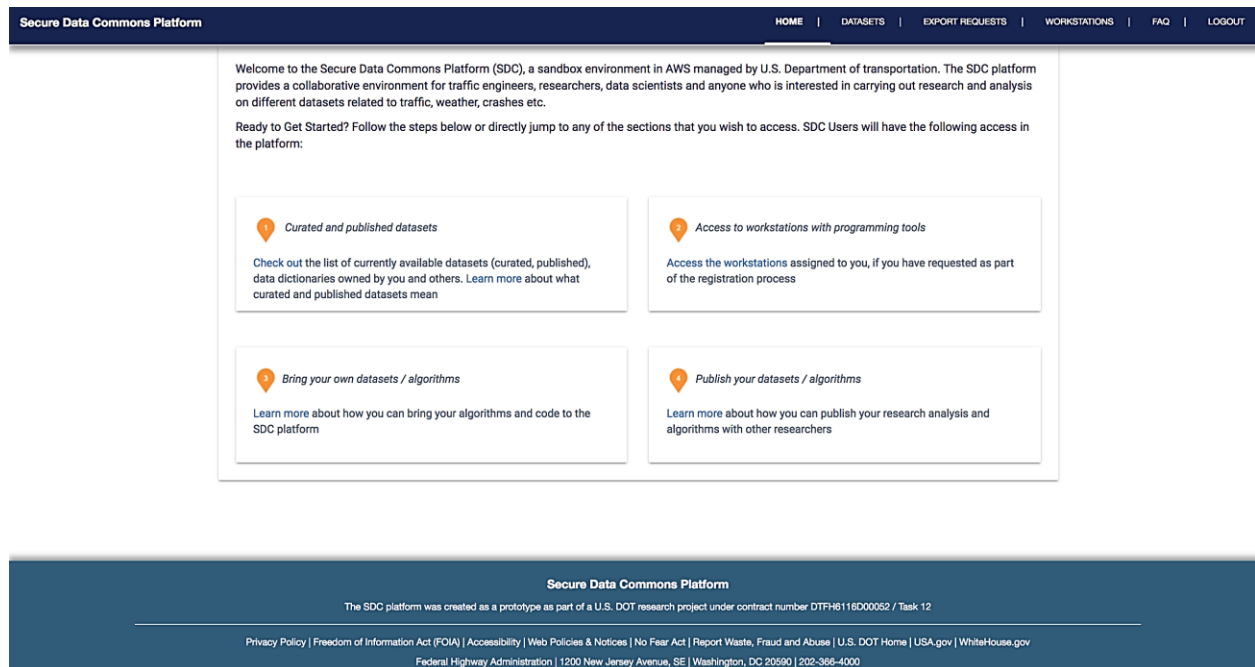


Figure 4. Screenshot of the SDC landing page (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Request Access to Datasets

The available datasets within SDC platform are published / enabled by SDC team or published by other users. Access to these datasets are available upon request.

- Once you are logged in go to tab 'DATASETS' in menu tab

Click on SDC Datasets. You will be able to see all available datasets in the SDC platform.

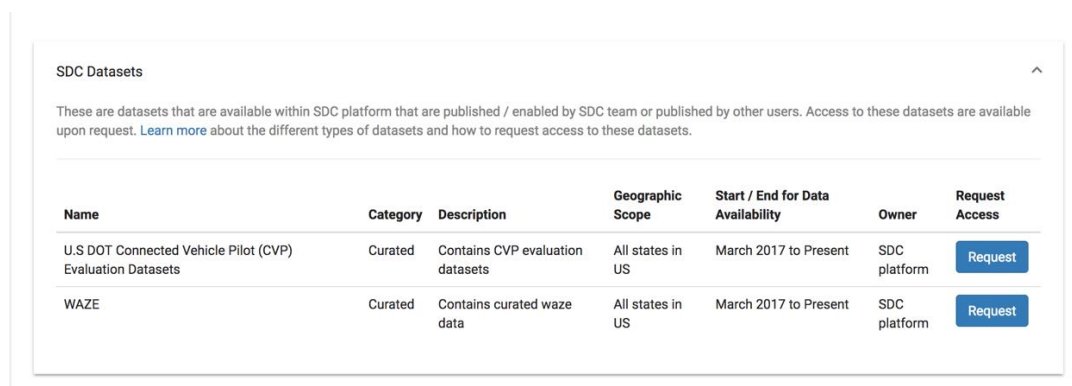


Figure 5. Screenshot of SDC Datasets (Source: REAN CLOUD).

To access these datasets, click on the ‘Request’ button and complete the attached form. When completed, hit the ‘Send Request’ button.

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SDC Datasets

These are datasets that are available within upon request. [Learn more](#) about the different datasets. Access to these datasets are available

Name	Category	Description
WAZE	Curated	Contains curated waze data
CVP	Curated	Contains CVP evaluation data

SDC Algorithms

SDC Data Access Request Form

Please fill out the following information to obtain access to the data set.

Basis for Access

Are you a USDOT Employee or researcher under contract to USDOT?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Geographic Extent of Access

Enter the state(s) for which you would like to request access. *

use commas when requesting multiple states (e.g. KN, VI)

☐

By clicking accept, the user agrees to the conditions set in the data provider agreement. If you are a USDOT employee or engaged in USDOT-sponsored research activity, you are agreeing to the overall data agreements that USDOT has with the data providers.

SEND REQUEST **CANCEL**

Owner: SDC platform Request Access: Request

Owner: SDC platform Request Access: Request

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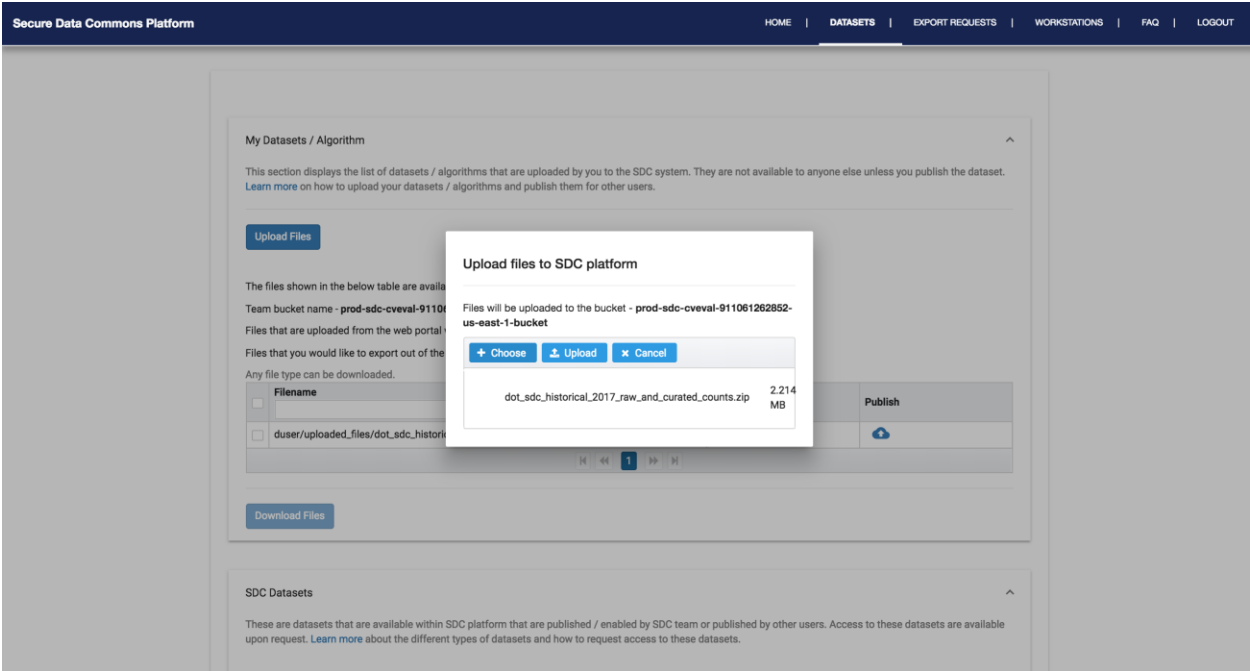
Figure 6. Screenshot of SDC Data Access Request Form (Source: REAN CLOUD)

The request will be sent to the support team and access to the requested dataset will be given upon validation of the information in the form.

Upload User Data to S3 Bucket Through Portal

Users can upload their own data to their assigned team/individual buckets through the portal.

1. Click on the Datasets button on the home page.
2. Click on the Upload Files button under My Datasets / Algorithm.
3. A pop up window will be opened allowing one to choose file/files and upload it to the assigned bucket. (Assigned bucket name will be displayed on the upload pop-up window)
4. A “success” message will be displayed upon a successful upload.



different types of datasets and how to request access to these datasets.

1	Geographic Scope	Start / End for Data Availability	Owner
curated waze data	All states in US	March 2017 to Present	SDC platf
Your file has been uploaded successfully close			
MD evaluation data			SDC platf

Figure 7. Screenshot of: a) Uploading files to SDC platform, and b) Success message upon upload (Source: REAN CLOUD).

Download User Data from S3 Bucket Through Portal

Users can download their data from their assigned team/individual buckets through the portal.

1. Click on the Datasets button on the home page.
2. All the available files under **username/uploaded_files** in the assigned bucket will be displayed along with the assigned bucket name under My Datasets / Algorithm.
3. Select the files that you want to download and click on “Download Files” button.
4. Click on the Download Files button under My Datasets / Algorithm.

Notes:

- Not all the files are downloaded directly. Files like .txt, .png, .pdf will be opened in tab from where we can download. All other files like .csv, .zip etc..., can be downloaded directly.
- Files are downloaded individually.

- The Filename box allows searches partial file names. This can be used to download all the contents of a sub-folder in an S3 bucket, by searching for the sub-folder name, and then clicking the box next to Filename to select all objects.

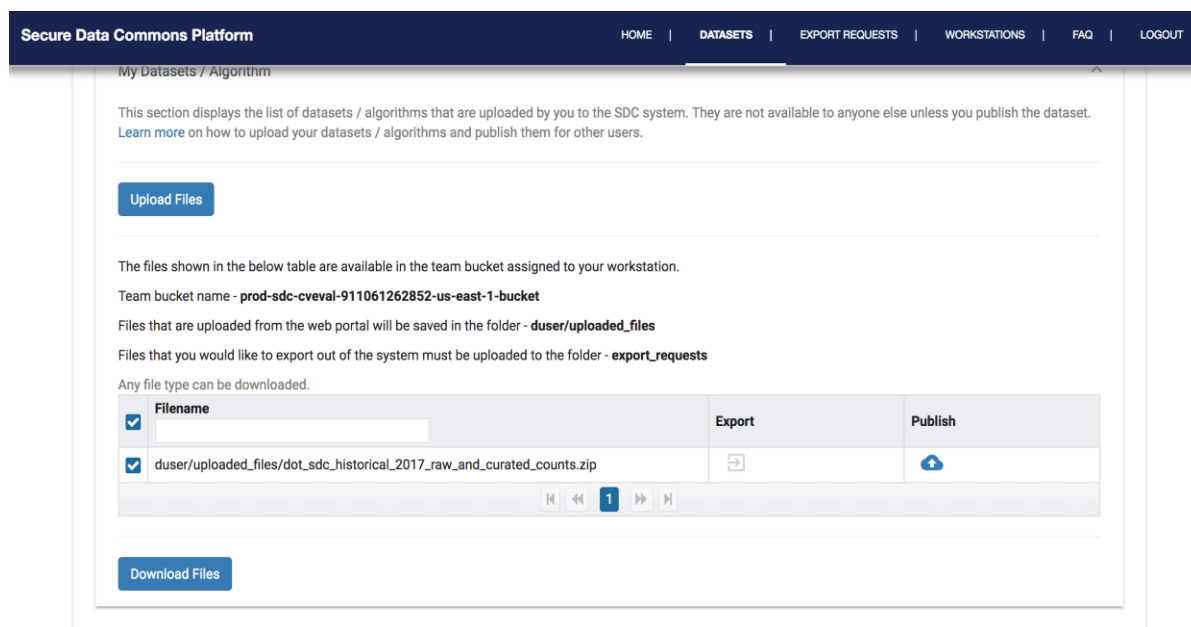


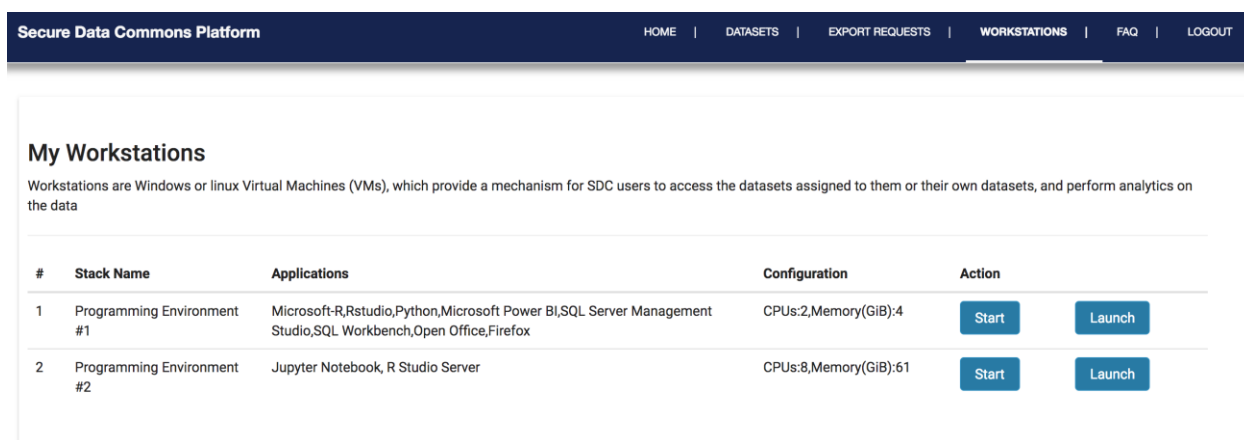
Figure 8. Screenshot of Download page (Source: REAN CLOUD).

Chapter 3. Accessing Workstations

Users are assigned cloud-based workstations to perform analysis on the datasets. This section provides a description of how to launch and use these workstations.

Launch Workstations

Users can see the assigned workstations by clicking on the workstations tab on the top right corner of the page.



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HOME DATASETS EXPORT REQUESTS WORKSTATIONS FAQ LOGOUT					
My Workstations Workstations are Windows or linux Virtual Machines (VMs), which provide a mechanism for SDC users to access the datasets assigned to them or their own datasets, and perform analytics on the data					
#	Stack Name	Applications	Configuration	Action	
1	Programming Environment #1	Microsoft-R, Rstudio, Python, Microsoft Power BI, SQL Server Management Studio, SQL Workbench, Open Office, Firefox	CPUs:2, Memory(GiB):4	Start	Launch
2	Programming Environment #2	Jupyter Notebook, R Studio Server	CPUs:8, Memory(GiB):61	Start	Launch

Figure 9. Screenshot of Workstations (Source: REAN CLOUD)

By default, all the workstations are in the stopped state. Click on the **Start** button to start the workstation. The workstation should become available within five minutes; you may not see any change immediately. A message will appear when the workstation has been successfully started.

Now click the Launch button. This will provide access to your workstation within your browser. The workstation may take a few minutes to initialize. When complete, a login screen will appear.

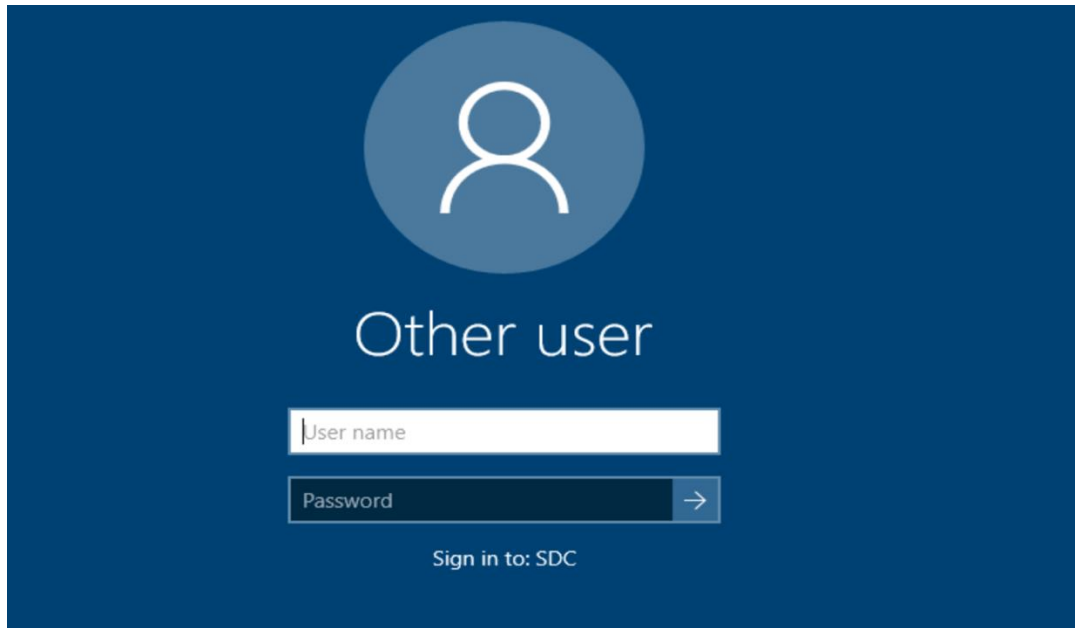


Figure 10. Screenshot of SDC's Login page (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Reenter your assigned username and password to access.

Software Validation

By default, users will have the following installed on their workstations:

- Java
- Python
- R, RStudio
- SQL Workbench
- Power BI
- AWS CLI
- Adobe
- Libre Office
- Visual Studio
- PuTTY
- Firefox

To test Python connectivity to the data warehouse, open the IDLE python editor and execute:

```
from impala.dbapi import connect
conn = connect(
    host='172.18.1.20',
    port=10000,
    auth_mechanism='PLAIN',
    user='<your_username>', password='<your_password>')
cursor = conn.cursor()
```

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```
cursor.execute('SHOW TABLES')
print cursor.fetchall()
```

This should result in an array of tables displayed to the user.

Connecting to the Data Warehouse Using SQL Workbench

The following sections illustrate how the user can connect to the data stores available to the SDC.

Connecting to Waze data in Redshift

Launch SQL Workbench by double clicking the SQL Workbench shortcut on the desktop.

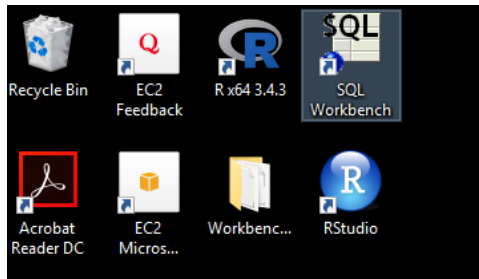


Figure 11. Screenshot of SQL Desktop Icon (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Create a Redshift connection profile to connect to Waze data

- Create new connection profile by selecting left top corner icon on the “Select Connection Profile”
- Select “Amazon Redshift Driver” under driver dropdown.
- Update the URL section with the Redshift URL provided in the [cheat sheet provided later in the document¹](#).
- Provide your username and password received in the welcome email.
- Click on the Test button at the bottom to the connection. A dialog box will pop up confirming a successful or failed connection.

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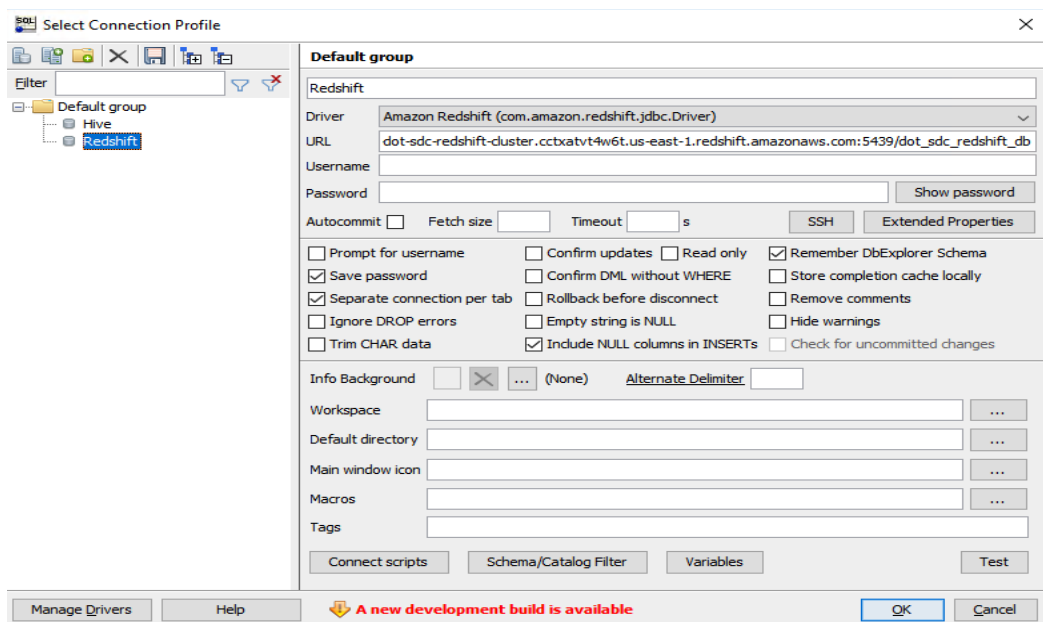


Figure 12. Screenshot of Redshift's connection profile creation page (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Connecting to CVP data in Hive Metastore

Launch SQL Workbench by double clicking the SQL Workbench shortcut on the desktop.

- Create a hive connection profile
 - Create a new connection profile by selecting the left top corner icon on the “Select Connection Profile”
 - Select “Hive JDBC” under driver dropdown.
 - Update URL section with the Hive URL provided in the cheat sheet.
 - Provide your username and password received in the welcome email.
 - Click on the Test button at the bottom to validate your connection. A pop up dialog will appear confirming a successful or failed connection.

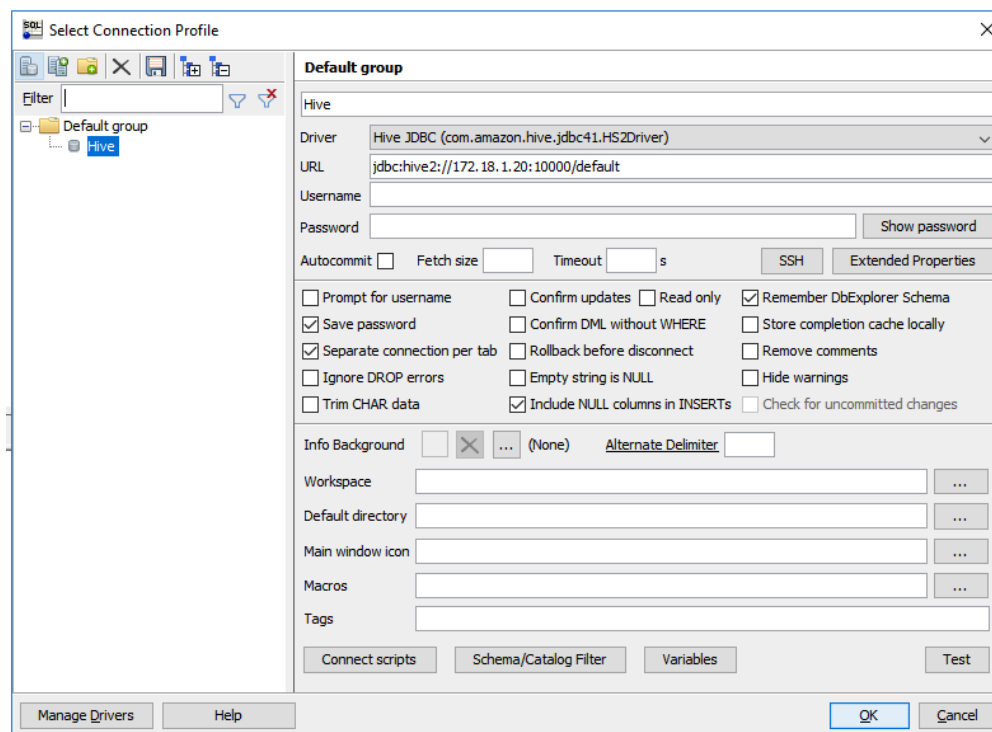
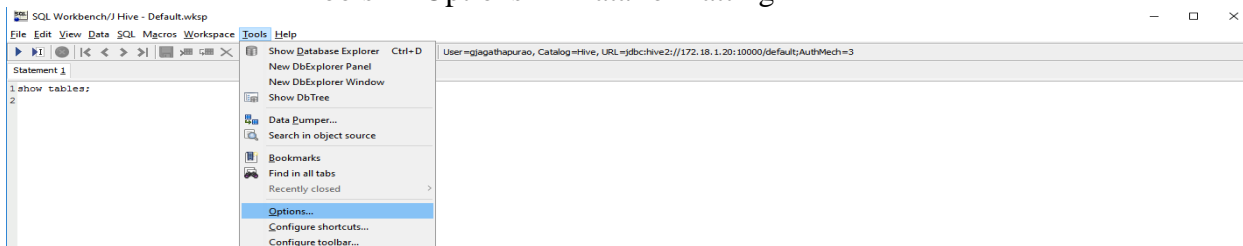


Figure 13. Screenshot of connecting to CVP data in Hive Metastore (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Update Data Formatting Settings in SQL Workbench

Credentials Once the connection has been established, navigate to Tools | Options | Data formatting and update the Decimal digits value to 0.

Tools → Options → Data formatting



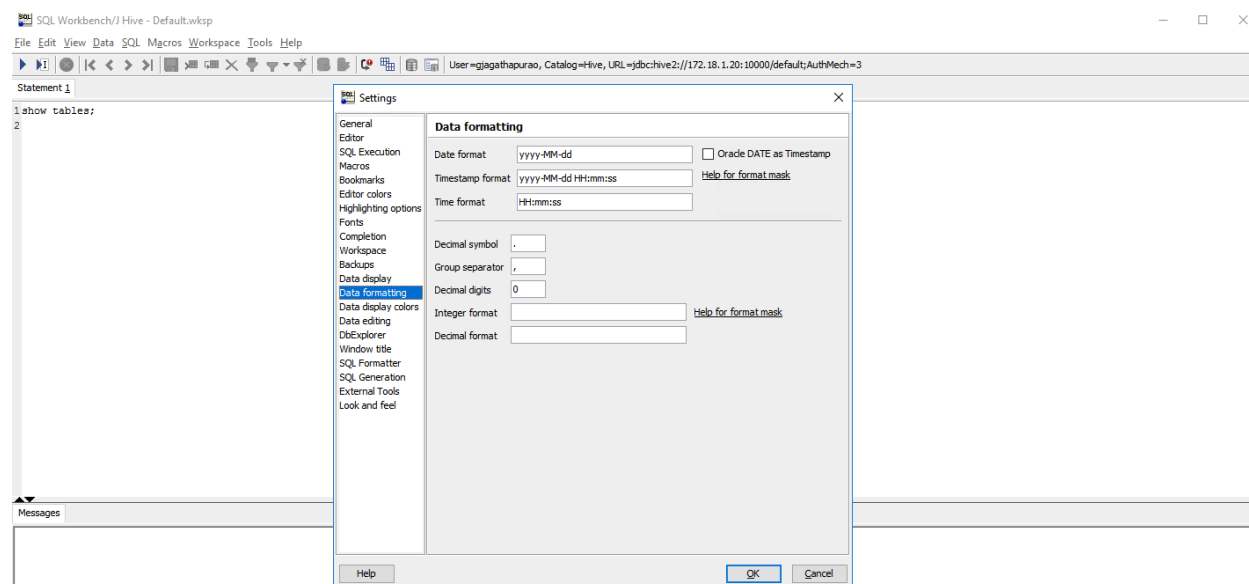


Figure 14. Screenshot of updating the data formatting settings in SQL Workbench (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Connecting to Redshift from Linux Environments

Credentials to access the Waze Redshift database are communicated from the SDC Administrator (support@securedatacommons.com) by a secure email service Virtu. Users being granted access will receive an email in the normal email client (such as Outlook) with an “Unlock Message” link. Clicking on this will link to secure.virtu.com/secure-reader, where the credentials will be displayed as an email in the web browser. A verification step may be required, where another email will be sent to Outlook, to confirm the user’s email address.

- In R, it is possible to connect to Redshift using multiple packages. The RPostgreSQL package provides a simple method. This package requires the PostgreSQL library to be installed at the system level; if it is not installed, it would be necessary to install as root in the terminal:

```
$ sudo yum install postgresql-devel
```

- In R, you may need to `install.packages("RPostgreSQL", dep=T)`
- Connect to Redshift using code like the following:

```
library(RPostgres)
# Specify username and password manually, once:
if(Sys.getenv("sdc_waze_username")== "") {
  cat("Please enter SDC Waze username and password
manually, in the console, the first time accessing the
Redshift database, using: \n Sys.setenv('sdc_waze_username'
= <see email from SDC Administrator>) \n
```

```
Sys.setenv('sdc_waze_password' = <see email from SDC
Administrator>")
}

redshift_host <- "prod-dot-sdc-redshift-
cluster.cctxatvt4w6t.us-east-1.redshift.amazonaws.com"
redshift_port <- "5439"
redshift_user <- Sys.getenv("sdc_waze_username")
redshift_password <- Sys.getenv("sdc_waze_password")
redshift_db <- "dot_sdc_redshift_db"

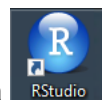
#drv <- dbDriver("PostgreSQL")
conn <- dbConnect(
  RPostgres::Postgres(),
  host=redshift_host,
  port=redshift_port,
  user=redshift_user,
  password=redshift_password,
  dbname=redshift_db)
```

- The database can then be queried using the `dbGetQuery()` function.

Accessing Jupyter Notebook and RStudio Server

Linux users can access their Jupyter Notebook and RStudio Server using the Firefox web browser through windows workstation using below URLs.

- RStudio – <http://<username>-workspace.securedatacommons.internal:8787>
- Jupyter Notebook – <http://<username>-workspace.securedatacommons.internal:8888>

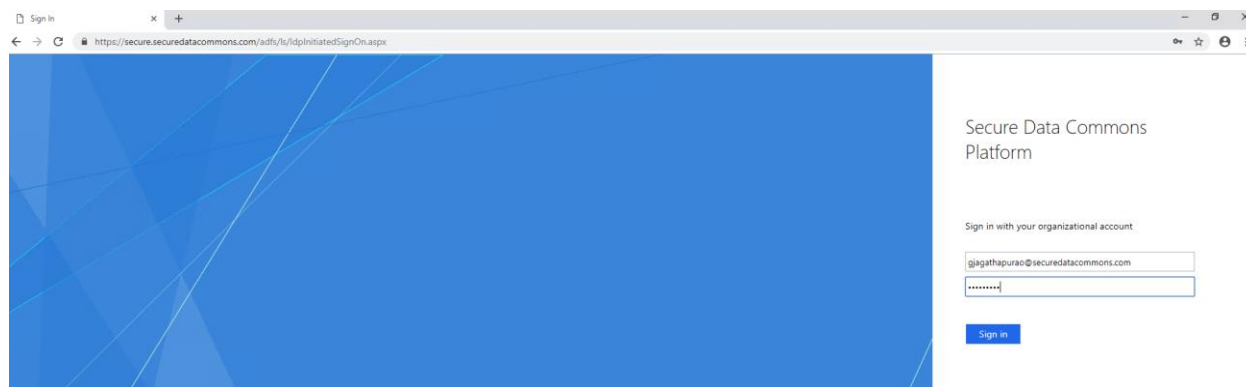


Windows users can click on the “RStudio” shortcut icon present on the desktop to open RStudio console.

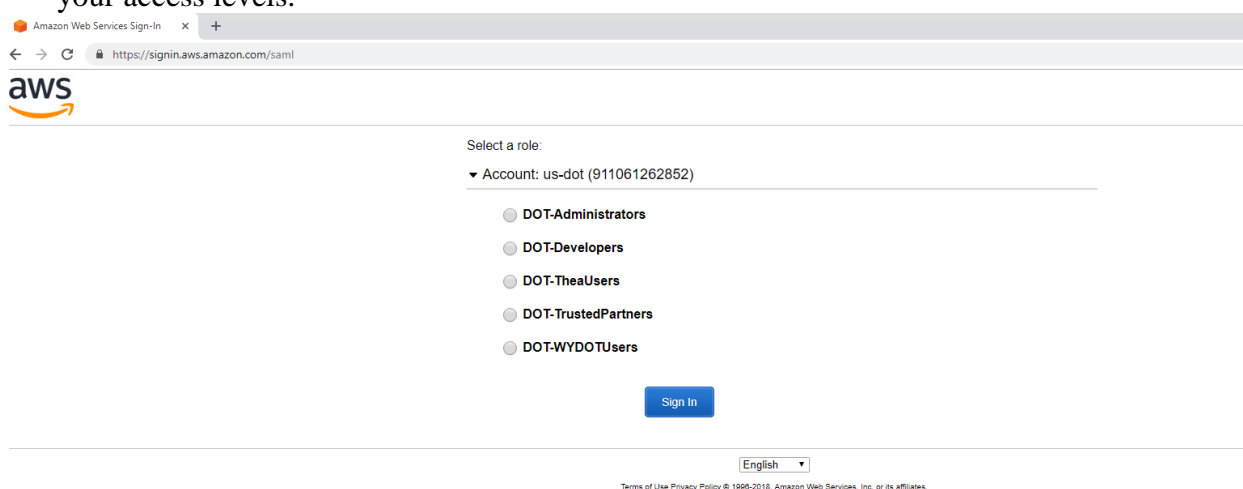
Accessing S3 Buckets from Workstations

Users can access their s3 buckets by logging into SDC AWS console. Each team/user is assigned with appropriate roles which will grant them access to only their team buckets and read only access to data lake bucket.

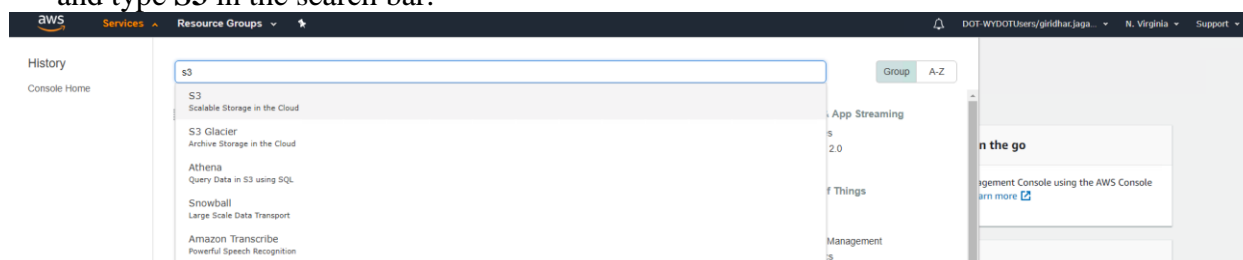
1. Login to SDC AWS account using the below link and using your SDC credentials from your workstation.
<https://secure.securedatacommons.com/adfs/ls/IdpInitiatedSignOn.aspx>



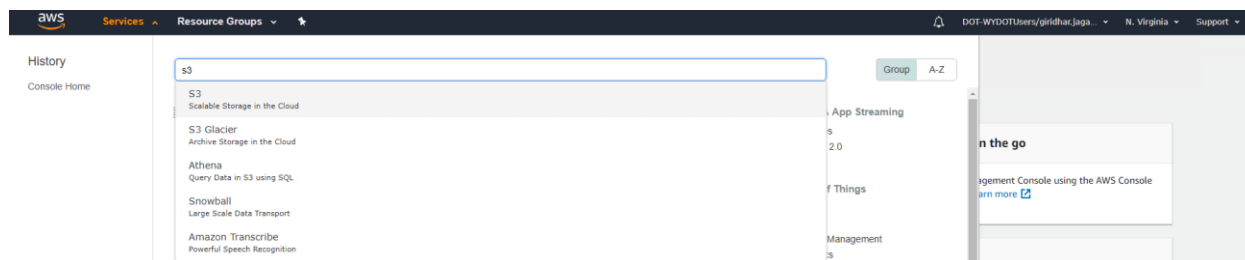
2. Upon successful login, you will be prompted to assume the role assigned to you based on your access levels.



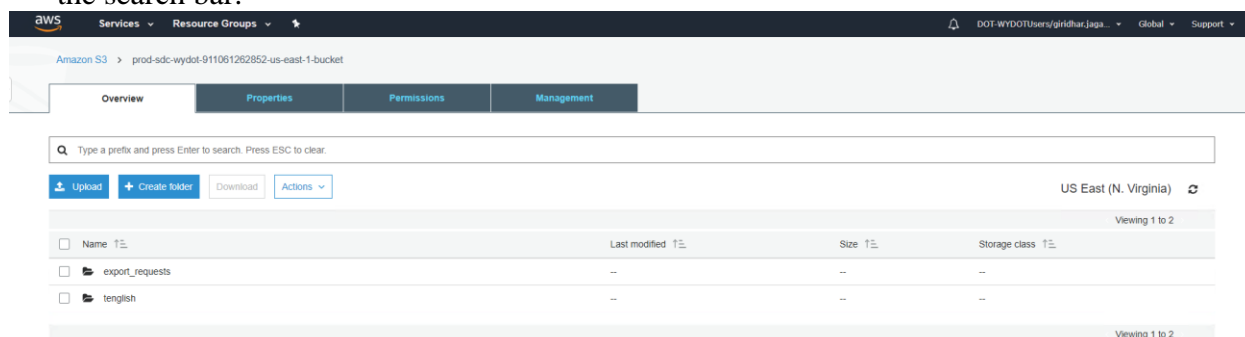
3. In this example, let's select DOT-WYDOTUsers as the trusted role and click sign in. But doing so, you will have only access to wydot team bucket and read only access to datalake bucket.
4. To access s3 buckets, click on **Services** drop down on the top left corner of the console and type **S3** in the search bar.



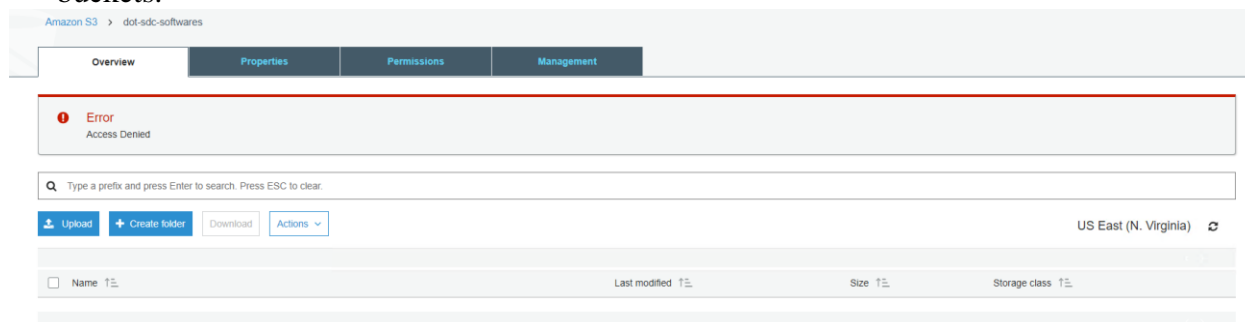
5. Upon selecting S3 service, you will be taken to S3 console as shown below.



6. Now users would be able to access the assigned buckets by searching the bucket name in the search bar.



7. Users wouldn't be able to access other buckets other than their team and data lake buckets.



Stop Workstations

Users can see the assigned workstations by clicking on the workstations tab on the top right corner of the page. By default, all the workstations are scheduled to stop every day at 11 PM EST. Users can stop the workstations manually by clicking on the Stop button as shown below. A message will appear when the instance is successfully stopped.

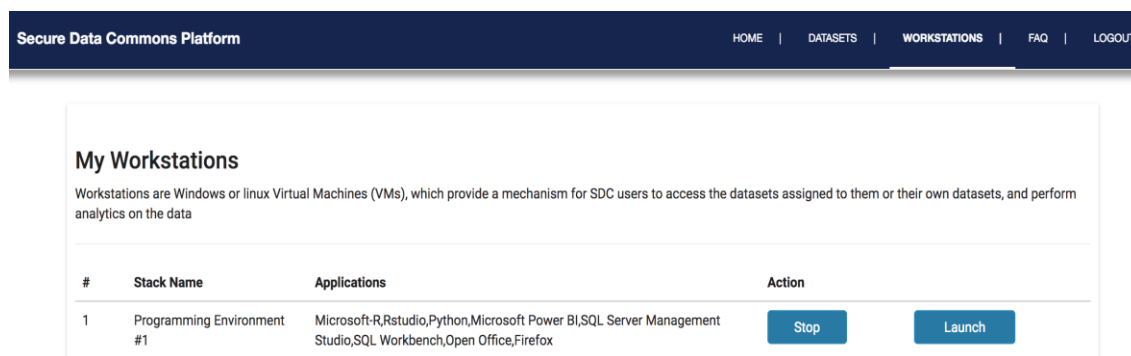


Figure 15. Screenshot of "My Workstations" page (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Chapter 4. Sample Queries for SDC Data Sets

The following section provides some sample queries for anchor data sets hosted by the SDC. Two datasets are currently available in the SDC system:

- Data provided by USDOT-sponsored research on Connected Vehicles (Connected Vehicle Pilots)
- Data provided by Waze on traffic jams and alerts

Sample queries are provided for each of the two data sets.

Connected Vehicle (CV) Data

Overview

The CV Pilot Data Warehouse is built on top of a Hadoop's HDFS cluster and utilizes Hive with a HiveQL querying language as a front-end querying package. Information about the HiveQL language and the language manual can be found online:

- Wikipedia info on Apache Hive: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apache_Hive
- Language manual: <https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/display/Hive/LanguageManual>

WYDOT BSM Relational Tables

WYDOT BSM data currently exists within the SDC in two formats: “version 4” and “version 5”. Currently incoming data conforms to the “version 5” format. Older data conforms to the legacy “version 4” format. For analysis, data from both versions have been combined into a set of relational tables. These are the tables you should be querying. They are:

```
wydot_bsm_core  
wydot_bsm_partii  
wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata
```

Figure 16 illustrates their relationship:

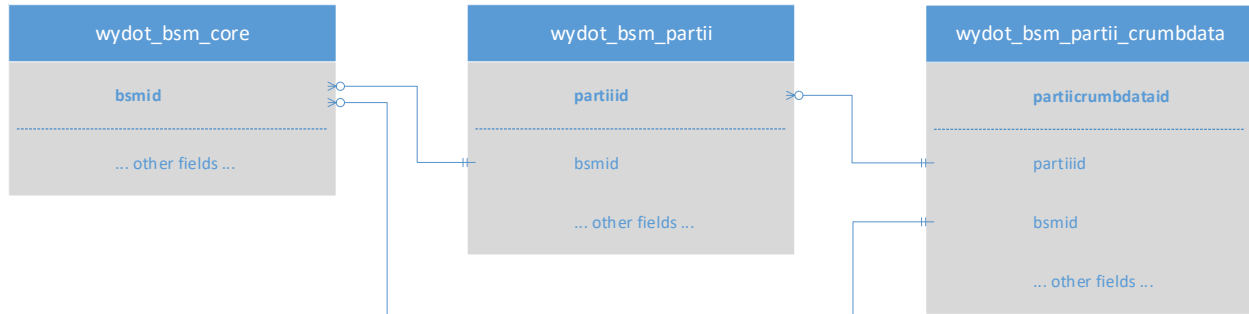


Figure 16. Relationship between dataset tables

Contents may be queried using SQL workbench provided that it's configured to connect to the data warehouse. Some examples:

```

select * from wydot_bsm_core limit 5;
select * from wydot_bsm_partii limit 5;
select * from wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata limit 5;

select * from wydot_bsm_core join wydot_bsm_partii where
wydot_bsm_core.bsmid = wydot_bsm_partii.bsmid limit 5;

select * from wydot_bsm_partii join
wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata where wydot_bsm_partii.partiid =
wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata.partiid limit 5;

select * from wydot_bsm_core join wydot_bsm_partii join
wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata where wydot_bsm_core.bsmid =
wydot_bsm_partii.bsmid and wydot_bsm_partii.partiid =
wydot_bsm_partii_crumbdata.partiid limit 10;
  
```

Wyoming DOT BSM and TIM Metadata **RECORDGENERATEDAT** vs **ODERECEIVEDAT**

Wyoming DOT (WYDOT) BSM and TIM messages include a metadata section, appended by the Operational Data Environment (ODE) component.² Among others, there are two timestamps of interest are presented in this section:

recordGeneratedAt: Closest time to which the record was created by a Vehicle.

odeReceivedAt: Time ODE received the data in UTC format. This time is the closest to which the CV PEP system received the record.

- Based on real-life conditions, odeReceivedAt may be days or even weeks after the recordGeneratedAt timestamp.

- The following queries result in distribution of recordGeneratedAt by odeReceivedAt times:
- **WYDOT BSM messages:**

```
select SUBSTR(metadataarecordgeneratedat, 0, 10) as  
RECORDGENERATEDAT  
  , SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10) as ODERECEIVEDAT  
  , count(SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10)) as CNT  
from wydot_bsm_core  
group by SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10)  
  , SUBSTR(metadataarecordgeneratedat, 0, 10)  
order by RECORDGENERATEDAT limit 10000;
```
- **WYDOT TIM messages:**

```
select SUBSTR(metadataarecordgeneratedat, 0, 10) as  
RECORDGENERATEDAT  
  , SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10) as ODERECEIVEDAT  
  , count(SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10)) as CNT  
from wydot_tim  
group by SUBSTR(metadataodereceivedat, 0, 10)  
  , SUBSTR(metadataarecordgeneratedat, 0, 10)  
order by RECORDGENERATEDAT limit 10000;
```

WYDOT BSM: Getting Latitude and Longitude

```
select coredatalatitude  
  , coredatalongitude  
from wydot_bsm_core limit 1;
```

WYDOT Speed Data

There are two WYDOT speed data sets in the CV PEP Data Warehouse: `wydot_speed_unprocessed` and `wydot_speed_processed`. The following sample query displays average vehicle speed distribution by lane and it will work against either of the tables:

```
select lane, avg(speedmph) as speed_average  
from wydot_speed_unprocessed  
group by lane  
order by lane;
```

Geospatial Queries

- The Data Warehouse has geospatial querying capabilities. Functions such as `ST_Point`, `ST_Polygon`, `ST_Contains` and others can be used in queries. For the full list of supported functions see: <https://github.com/Esri/spatial-framework-for-hadoop/wiki/UDF-Documentation>
- As an example, here is a sample query to retrieve a count of messages generated by vehicles between latitudes 40 and 41 and longitudes between -106 and -105.

```
select count(*) from wydot_bsm_core where
```

```
ST_Contains(ST_Polygon(40, -105, 41, -105, 41, -106, 40, -  
106),  
ST_Point(coredatalatitude, coredatalongitude));
```

Cheat Sheet

The cheat sheet is available on the desktop of all workstations with sets of useful commands. The cheat sheet is called “S3 CLI Commands.md or CV S3 CLI Commands.md” and can be opened using Wordpad.

1. Right Click on the File
2. Choose Open with... and select Wordpad.

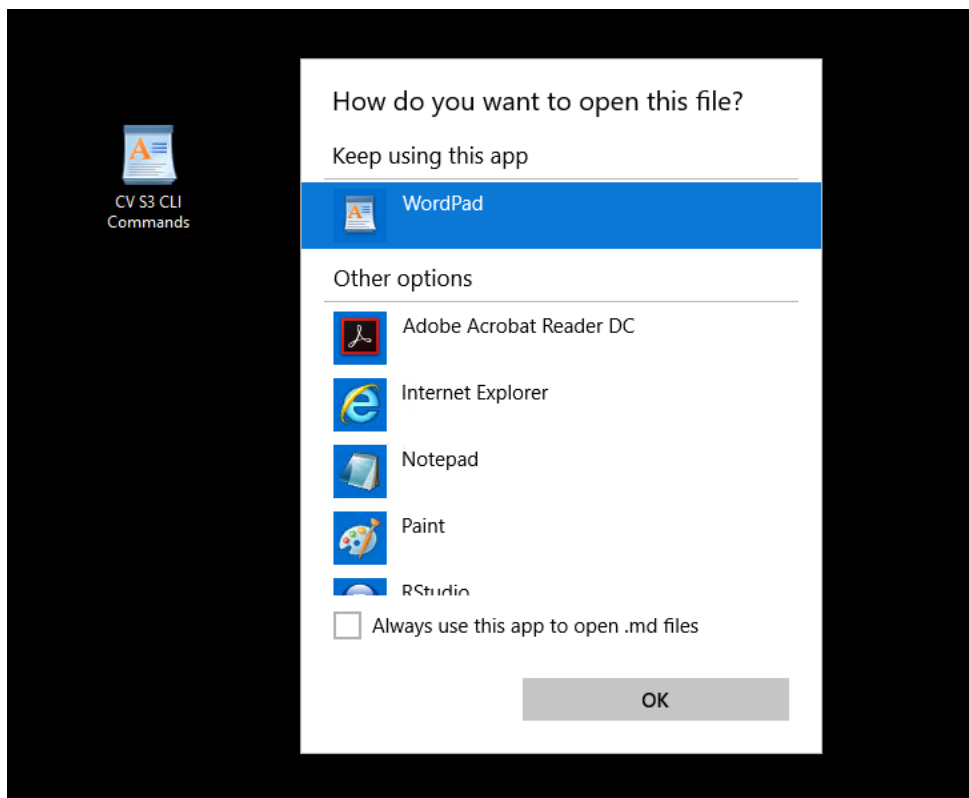


Figure 17. Screenshot of Cheat Sheet and how to open it (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Waze Data

Overview

The SDC platform ingests and curates Waze data for all 50 states of United States of America using the Waze API. Users have access only to Waze data pertaining to the specific geographic region specified in their data access policies.

Waze Alert Data

An alert is a User Generated Incident (UGI) reported by a Waze user or group of users, as defined by Waze. In SQL Workbench, the following query can be used to test access to the *alert* table.

```
select distinct alert_uuid from alert where
alert_type='<alert_type>' and pub_utc_timestamp between
<start_time_stamp> and <end_time_stamp> and state
=<state_name>;

select distinct alert_uuid from alert where
alert_type='ACCIDENT' and pub_utc_timestamp between '2018-
01-01 04:59:43.00' and '2018-01-30 04:59:43.00' and state
='CA';
```

Waze Jam Data

Waze provides information of traffic jams and events that affect road conditions either from wazers or external sources. A traffic jam maybe associated with an alert.

```
select top 10 * from jam;
select top 10 * from jam_point_sequence;
```

Waze Irregularity Data

Irregularities are similar to Jams, where Waze derives these events based on unusual traffic patterns. These could also be a result of an alert or a jam.

```
select top 10 * from irregularity;
select top 10 * from irregularity_point_sequence;
select top 10 * from irregularity_alert;
select top 10 * from irregularity_jam;
```

Chapter 6. Exporting Data from the SDC

Data Analysts should be able to export the data of the system, based on the compliance and data usage policies set forth by a Data Provider. There are two different types of analysts:

1. **General Analyst:** This type of analyst must provide justification of each data product to the data provider of why it can be exported out of the SDC system. The intent is to ensure that the data provider has oversight of the exported data.
This type of analyst can also request for the trusted status to the data provider while filling the approval form.
2. **Trusted Analyst:** This type of analyst already has a trusted status which is provided to them by the data providers. The intent is to reduce the effort for exporting the data products of the analysis out of the SDC system. A trusted user has a preexisting and approved relationship with the data provider.

Once the Analyst completes creating derived datasets, either working on the SDC datasets or combining with other data sets that they import into the system, the analysts can export the derived datasets or share the datasets with other team members. Following are the steps the Data Analyst need to follow to export the data of their analysis form the SDC system to support their research:

1. Each data analyst is part of a team bucket which is displayed in the Datasets section.
When ready to export, the Data Analysts select the file (or files) that they want to export out of the SDC system and places them in a separate staging folder (i.e. **export_requests**) in their team bucket. An analyst can request for exporting a file in this folder by clicking on the export symbol against the file he wants out of the SDC system.
Note: Derived datasets placing under staging folder (i.e. **export_requests**) should be in compressed format. SDC currently supports .zip and .tar formats.

Upload Files

The files shown in the below table are available in the team bucket assigned to your workstation.

Team bucket name - **dot-sdc-software**

Files that are uploaded from the web portal will be saved in the folder - **sbapat/uploaded_files**

Files that you would like to export out of the system must be uploaded to the folder - **export_requests**

Any file type can be downloaded.

Filename	Export	Publish
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/test3.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/s3cmd2.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/t.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/demo9.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> sbapat/uploaded_files/architecture.png		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/s3cmd1.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/wazeAnalysis.zip		
<input type="checkbox"/> export_requests/dynamodbanalysis.zip		

Download Files

Figure 18. Screenshot of the Datasets section (Source: REAN CLOUD)

- Once the export button is clicked, a dialog box for requesting the export data will pop up. The analyst need to provide the details of the Project, Data Provider and Data Type that he has used to create his own dataset and click on the NEXT button.

Request to Export Data

Select Project

Approval Form

Trusted Status

Please select the Project, Data Provider, and the primary Sub-Dataset/Data Type, that you have used to create your derived dataset. This will help us to route your request to the appropriate Data Provider for approval.

Note - If your derived Dataset is created using multiple Sub-Datasets/Data Types, that are available within SDC or external Datasets/Data Sources that you have uploaded into the system, you will be provided an option to list all such Datasets/Data Types in the next section of the workflow.

Project/Dataset

WAZE

Data Provider

WAZE

Sub-Dataset/Data Type

JAM

CANCEL

NEXT

Figure 19. Screenshot of dialog box for requesting the export data (Source: REAN CLOUD)

3. The additional information regarding the request for exporting the data has to be filled in the approval form below. These details are shared with the data provider which helps them to accept or reject the request made by the data analyst.

Select Project	Approval Form	Trusted Status
<p>Please provide additional information pertaining to your request for exporting data, by filling out the fields below. These details will be shared with the Data Provider to help them review your request and provide their decision.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">* All fields are mandatory</p>		
<p>Name or short description of your derived dataset *</p> <p>waze derived dataset</p>		
<p>Anchor dataset of interest or data provider *</p> <p>WAZE</p>		
<p>Specific sub-datasets or data types used *</p> <p>JAM</p>		
<p>Additional datasources *</p> <p>datasources</p>		
<p>High level description of derived dataset *</p> <p>high level desc</p>		
<p>Detailed description of the derived dataset *</p> <p>detailed desc</p>		
<p>Tags</p> <p>tags</p>		
<p>Justification of Export *</p> <p>Justification </p>		

Figure 20. Screenshot of Approval Form (Source: REAN CLOUD)

- If the user is not a trusted user, he would be prompted with the option for requesting the trusted status from the data provider. This will allow the analyst to export the data immediately, as opposed to waiting for the review and approval from the data provider. The user has to accept the Acceptable Usage policy for the request to go through to the data provider.

Select Project

Approval Form

Trusted Status

Trusted Status is a mechanism for analysts to obtain a passport from a data provider. Obtaining this passport allows analyst to export their data immediately (for subsequent similar requests), as opposed to waiting for the review and approval of a data provider.
This status is acquired per Project + Data Provider + Sub-Dataset/Data Type.

Note - Based on the dataset and datatype selection, you currently do not have a Trusted Status from this Data Provider. We will notify the Data Provider about your request and send it for approval. Your request will be processed based on the decision from the Data Provider.

Do you wish to request Trusted Status from the Data Provider?

☐ Yes
 ☒ No

Acceptable Use Policy

The WAZE DOT is providing ongoing access to data generated by the Connected Vehicle Pilot deployment to support performance measurement and evaluation activities to a select group of explicitly approved individuals. The CV Pilot is an ongoing research activity and includes access to rapidly evolving data sets and products. WAZE DOT makes no claims, promises or guarantees about the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the contents of data and expressly disclaims liability for errors and omissions in the data.

Conducting research activities on WAZE DOT CV pilot data and resources is restricted to authorized individuals for the purpose for which access was granted. Further users of the WAZE CV Pilot data

☐ Accept
 ☐ Decline

Figure 21. Screenshot for requesting trusted status from the data provider (Source: REAN CLOUD)

- Upon successful submission, the request will be sent to appropriate Data Providers. Data providers are responsible for accepting or rejecting the export requests for the data analysts so that they are able to get the data products out of the SDC system.
- Once the Data Providers approves the request, data analysts will be able to download the dataset out of SDC through portal.

Data providers can see the requests in the EXPORT REQUESTS tab of the SDC web portal.

Export File Requests

This section displays the list of export requests

User	Description	Team	Dataset	Review File	Approval	Details
sbapat	h	dot-sdc-software	WAZE-WAZE-ALERT	export_requests/dynamodbanalysis.zip	✓ Approved	
sbapat	h	dot-sdc-software	WAZE-WAZE-ALERT	export_requests/wazeAnalysis.zip	✓ ✗	

Navigation: 1

Trusted Requests

This section displays the list of Trusted Requests

User	Dataset	Approval
sbapat	WAZE-WAZE-ALERT	✓ Trusted

Navigation: 1

Figure 22. Screenshot of Export Request tab (Source: REAN CLOUD)

There are two sections for the requests made by the data analysts:

1. **Export File Requests:** These requests correspond to the approval form submitted by the data analyst for exporting any data file out of the SDC system.
The data provider can accept the request by clicking on the right mark and reject the request by clicking on the wrong mark as shown above.
To get all the details regarding the request, the provider can click on the file symbol under the details column for each request.
To review the file for which the request has been made, the data provider can click on the file link to download the file and review it before giving the access to the analyst.
2. **Trusted Requests:** These requests correspond to the request for getting the trusted status.
The data provider can accept the request by clicking on the right mark and reject the request by clicking on the wrong mark.

Actions of Review:

1. **Notify:** The request of the data analyst for the trusted status or the export request is accepted automatically. The data provider is notified with an email for the request that is accepted.
2. **NotifyReview:** The request of the data analyst is sent to the data provider for approval by sending him a notification over an email. The data provider has to accept or reject the request from the SDC web portal under the section named “EXPORT REQUESTS”

Chapter 7. Technical Documentation and Contact Information

The following sections provide technical resources for SDC users.

Architecture Diagram

The figure below illustrates the SDC Architecture.

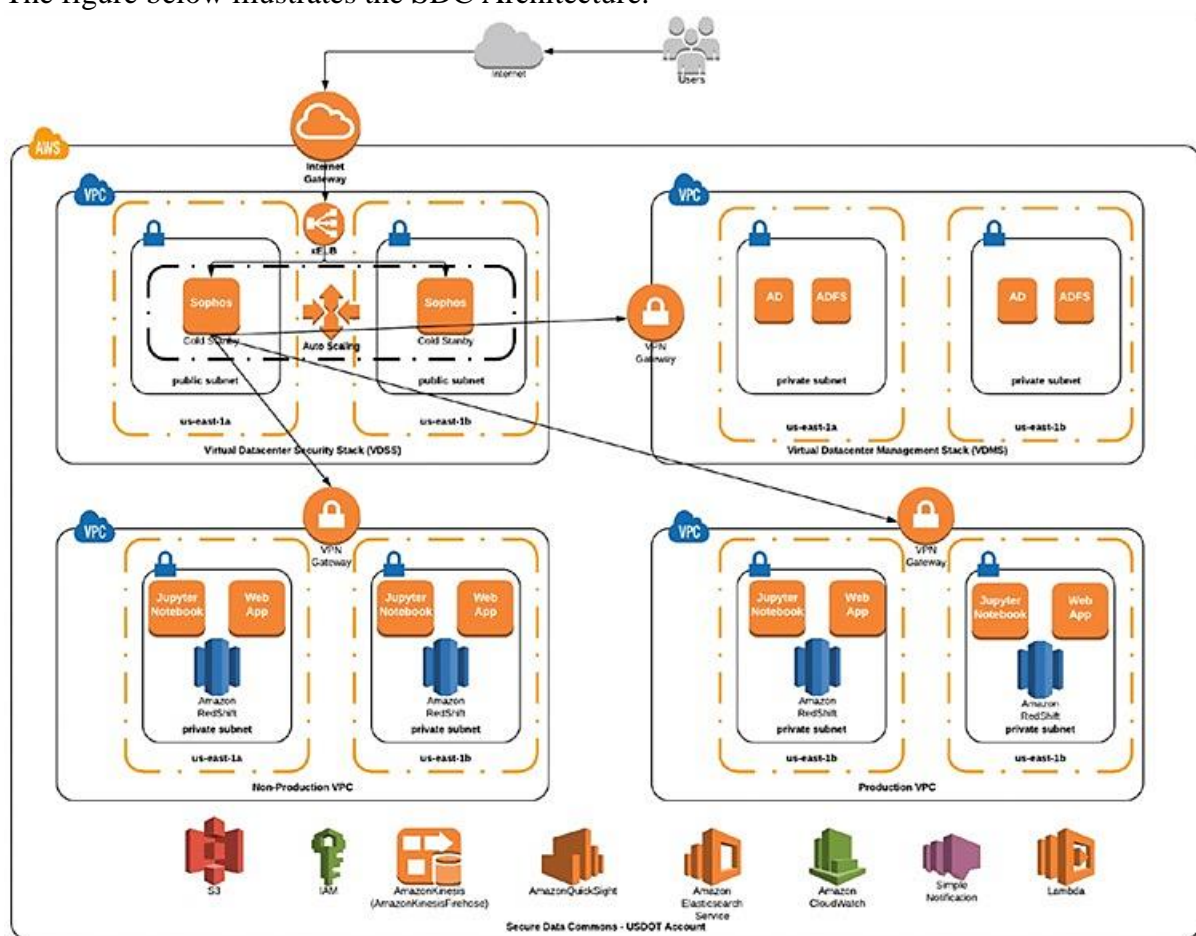


Figure 23. SDC Architecture Diagram (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Workstation Details

Table 1. Default Workstation details.

Work Station Type	Type
Linux Workstation	t2.medium
Windows Workstation	t2.medium

Note: Workstation size and type can be increased upon user request.

Tools and Versions

Table 2. List of tools used and their versions.

Tool Name	Version	Work Station
Java	1.8.0_162	Linux, Windows
Python	2.7.14	Linux, Windows
SQLWorkbench/J	Build 123	Windows
R	3.4.3	Linux, Windows
RStudio	1.1.423.0	Linux, Windows
Libre Office	5.3.6.1	Windows
Visual Studio	1.20.1.0	Windows
AWS CLI	1.14.46	Windows
7Zip	18.01	Windows
PuTTY	0.70	Windows
Firefox	59.0.2.0	Windows

Contact Information

SDC support team can be reached out at support@securedatacommons.com

Useful Links

- [S3](#): Simple Storage Service, place to store data.
- [Jupyter](#): An interactive, browser-based programming environment, mostly used for Python scripts but can also run R or other languages and can weave formatted text in with code and results of code into one ‘notebook’ file.
- [Redshift](#): A database system, which can be queried with SQL.

AWS S3 CLI Commands

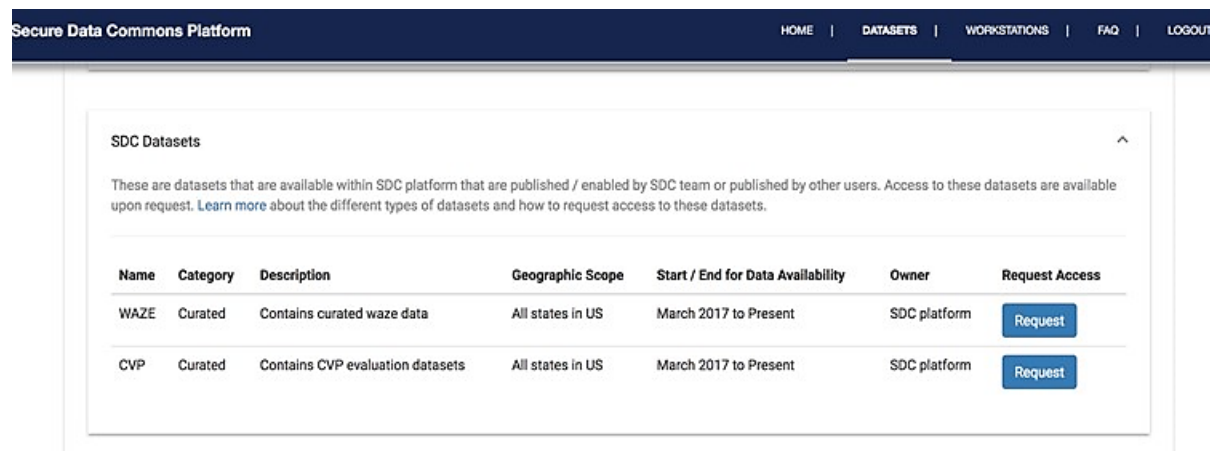
Following are the list of helpful commands to work with S3 from the terminal. In these commands, ‘local’ refers to the EC2 instance being run inside SDC:

- **List objects in a bucket** - If there are any files at the bucket level then the below command will return the list of files. If there are only folders/prefixes under the bucket, then it will return the top level folder/prefix names of that bucket
`aws s3 ls s3://<bucketName>`
- **List objects under a folder/prefix** - The below command will list all the objects/files under that folder or prefix.
`aws s3 ls s3://<bucketName>/<prefix>/`
- **Copy a local file to an s3 bucket** - This command will copy the file at the root of the bucket.
`aws s3 cp nohup.out s3://<bucketName>/`
- **Copy a local file to a specific folder/prefix in an s3 bucket** - To create a new output folder and copy to that destination, simply add the desired path to the end, following bucket/.
`aws s3 cp <filename> s3://<bucketName>/<prefix>/`
- **Get a file from S3 to the ec2 instance** - This command will help you get a file from S3 to the EC2 instance:
`aws s3 cp s3://<bucketName>/<prefix>/<fileName> .`

Chapter 8. Frequently Asked Questions

How can I get access to the SDC Datasets?

These are datasets that are available within SDC platform that are published / enabled by SDC team or published by other users. Access to these datasets are available upon request. Once you are logged in go to tab 'Dataset' in menu tab.



Name	Category	Description	Geographic Scope	Start / End for Data Availability	Owner	Request Access
WAZE	Curated	Contains curated waze data	All states in US	March 2017 to Present	SDC platform	Request
CVP	Curated	Contains CVP evaluation datasets	All states in US	March 2017 to Present	SDC platform	Request

Figure 24. Screenshot of SDC Dataset tab (Source: REAN CLOUD)

After clicking on the 'SDC Dataset' Heading, you can see all the available datasets. To access these datasets, you need to click on 'Request' button. A form will pop up, fill that form and click on 'Send Request' button.

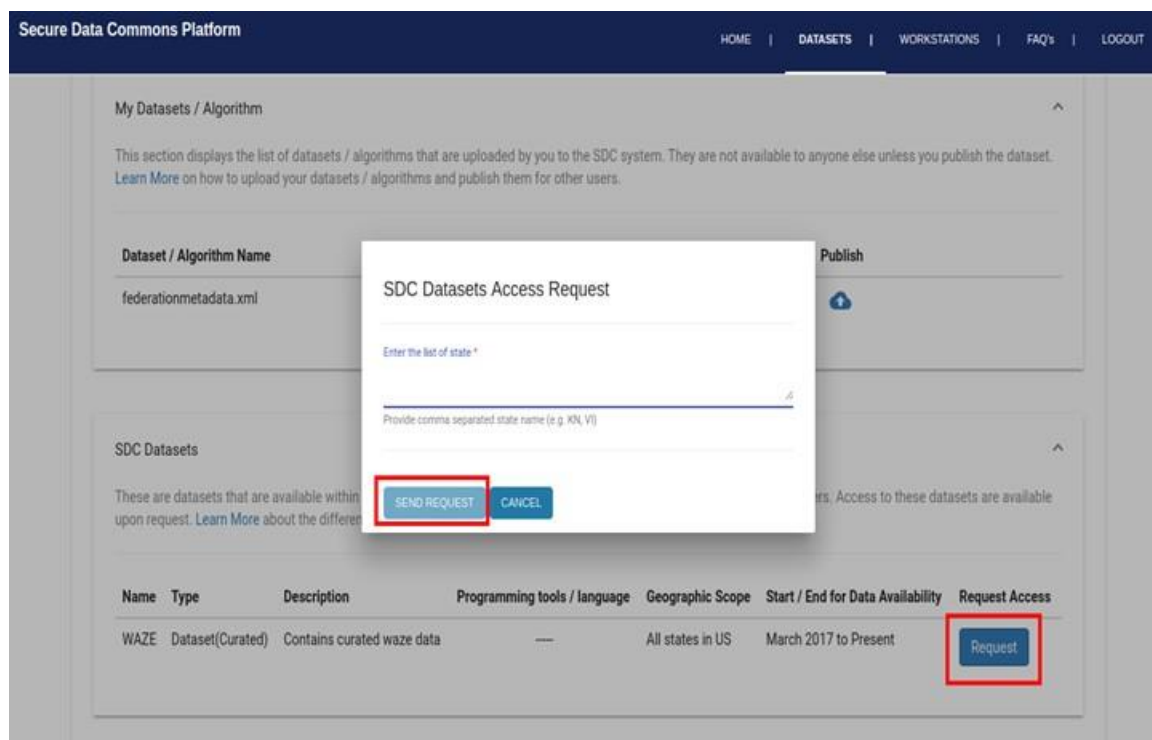


Figure 25. Screenshot of SDC Dataset Access Request form (Source: REAN CLOUD)

The request will be send to support team and access to the requested dataset will be given.

How will I understand what a particular dataset consists of?

Click on Name of Dataset, you can see README of that particular dataset below it.

How can I launch a workstation?

Click on ‘Workstation’ menu tab and click on ‘Launch’ button of any workstation which you want to access

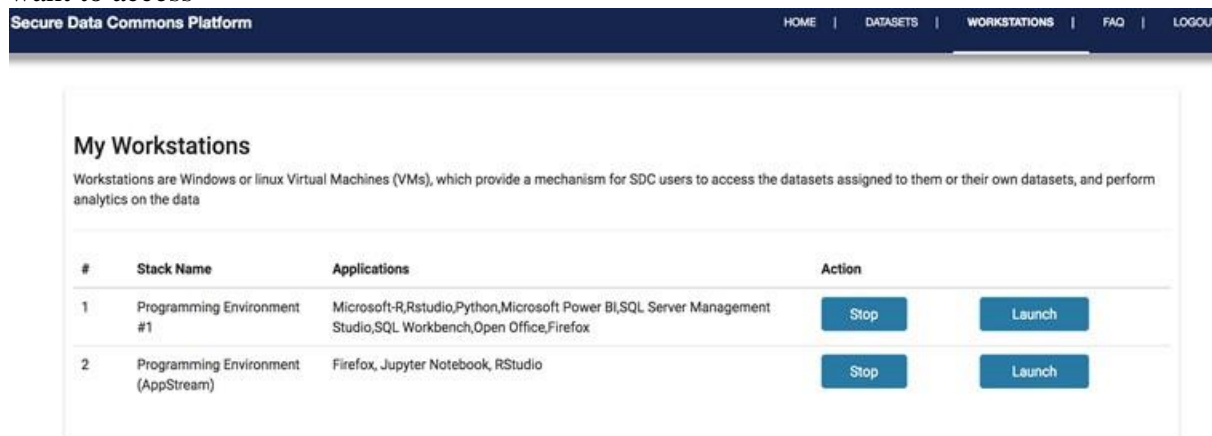


Figure 26. Screenshot of Workstations tab (Source: REAN CLOUD).

For Programming Environment #1, you will be prompted with username and password to login to windows workstation.

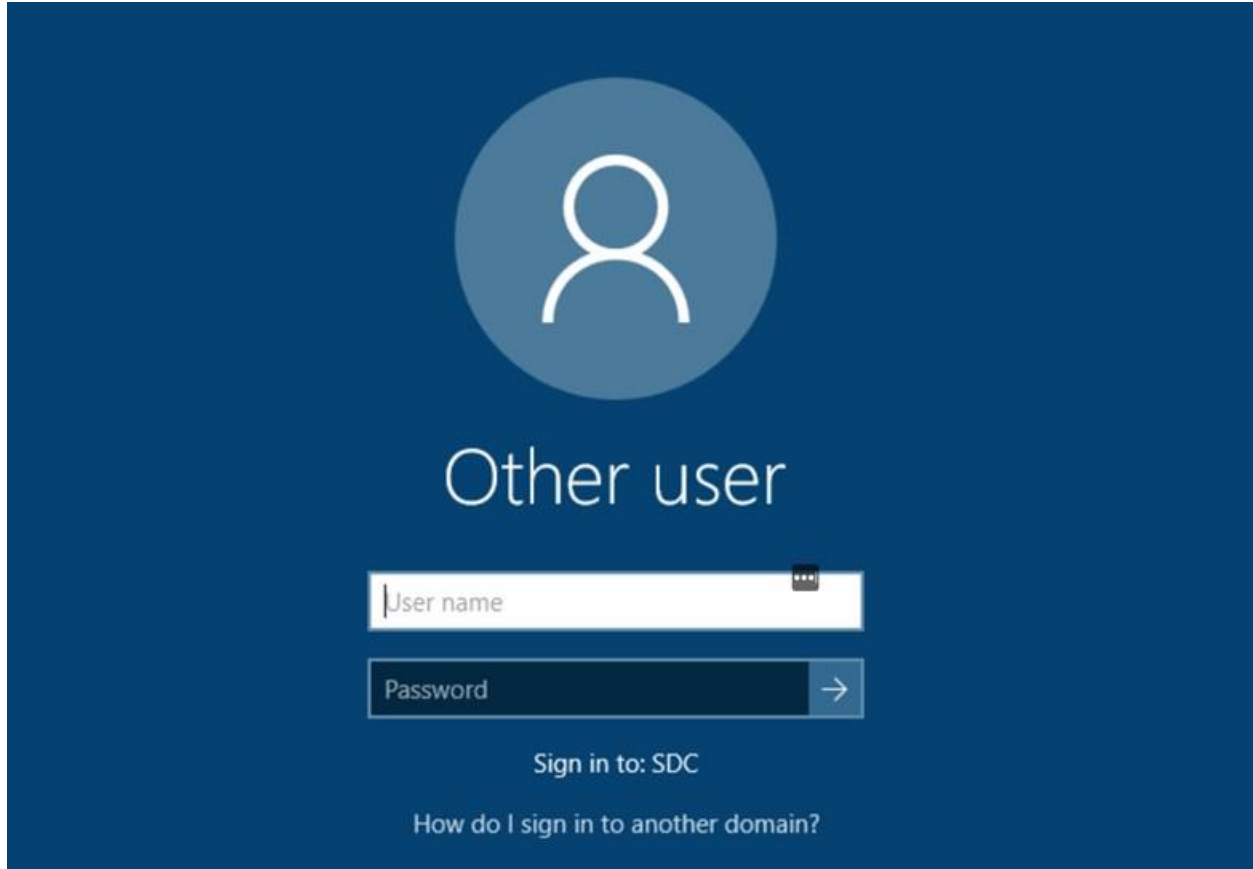


Figure 27. Screenshot of SDC login page for Programming Environment #1 (Source: REAN CLOUD)

Where do I store my data?

You can store your data in your team/individual bucket. Please refer to [Upload User Data to S3 Bucket Through Portal](#)

How can I bring my own datasets/algorithm to my workstation?

Please refer to [Upload User Data to S3 Bucket Through Portal](#) to bring your own datasets/algorithm to workstation.

How can I publish my dataset/algorithm?

Follow the below steps to publish your datasets / algorithms and share with other SDC Users. Navigate to Datasets page

1. Click on the upload icon under publish for the dataset/algorithm you wish to publish

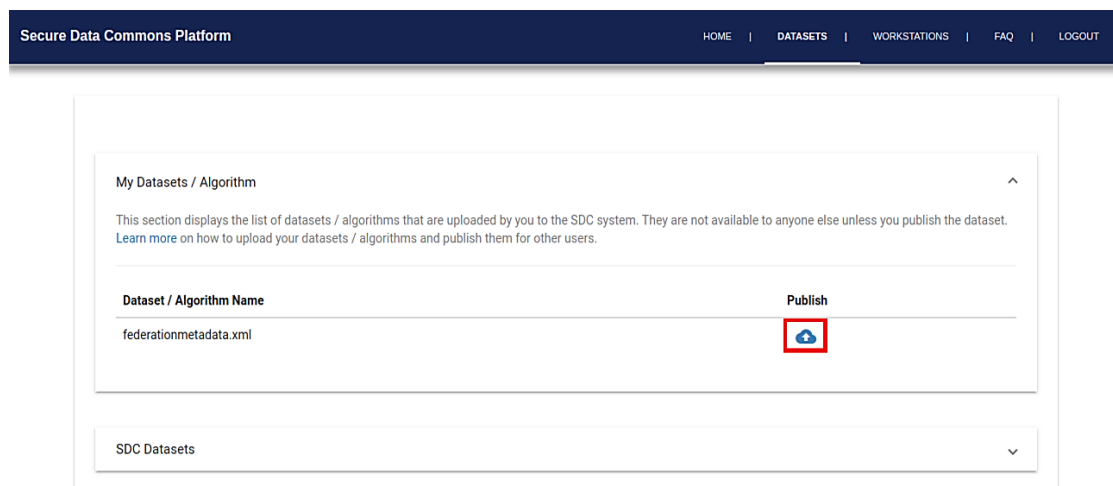


Figure 28. Screenshot of "upload" button within the Dataset tab (Source: REAN CLOUD)

2. In the pop-up window that shows up, you will have two options either a Dataset or Algorithm
 - a. Select the dropdown value as Dataset and fill the required values

Publish Dataset / Algorithm Request

Type
Dataset ▼

Name *
appstream.py

Description *

File/folder name *

Readme / Data dictionary file name *

Geographic Scope *

Start/End Date for Data Availability *

SEND REQUEST CANCEL

Figure 29. Screenshot of Publish Dataset form (Source: REAN CLOUD)

- i. Name - Name of the dataset, which you wish to call it. Users will see your dataset with this name under SDC Datasets section
- ii. Description - Provide a short description so users can get an idea about your dataset
- iii. File/folder name - Name of the file or folder where your dataset resides in your S3 Bucket. We need this information, so the support team can publish this dataset and make it available to other users
- iv. Readme / Data dictionary file name - This file should provide detailed instructions about your dataset, how it was created or any relevant information that helps user to understand and use the dataset. Save this file in your home folder relative to the dataset file/folder name
- v. Geographic scope - Indicate the geographic scope for your dataset whether it belongs to a specific state, region, country etc
- vi. Start/End Date for data availability - Provide the start and end dates of the data that belongs in your dataset. For example, your dataset may contain data from March 2017 to August 2017

- b. Select the dropdown value as Algorithm

Publish Dataset / Algorithm Request

Type
Dataset

Name *
appstream.py

Description *

File/folder name *

Readme / Data dictionary file name *

Geographic Scope *

Start/End Date for Data Availability *

SEND REQUEST **CANCEL**

Figure 30. Screenshot of Algorithm Request form (Source: REAN CLOUD)

- i. Name - Enter the name for your algorithm. Users will see your algorithm with this name under SDC Datasets section
- ii. Description - Provide a short description about your algorithm

- iii. File/Folder name - Name of the file or folder where your algorithm resides in your S3 bucket. We need this information, so SDC support team can publish this algorithm and make it available to other users
- iv. Readme / Data dictionary file name - This file should provide detailed instructions about your algorithm, how it was created or any relevant information that helps user to understand and use the algorithm. Save this file in your home folder relative to the algorithm file/folder name
- v. Programming Tools/language - Provide the details of programming tools and/or languages that were used to create this algorithm, so users can leverage the same to run your program.

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