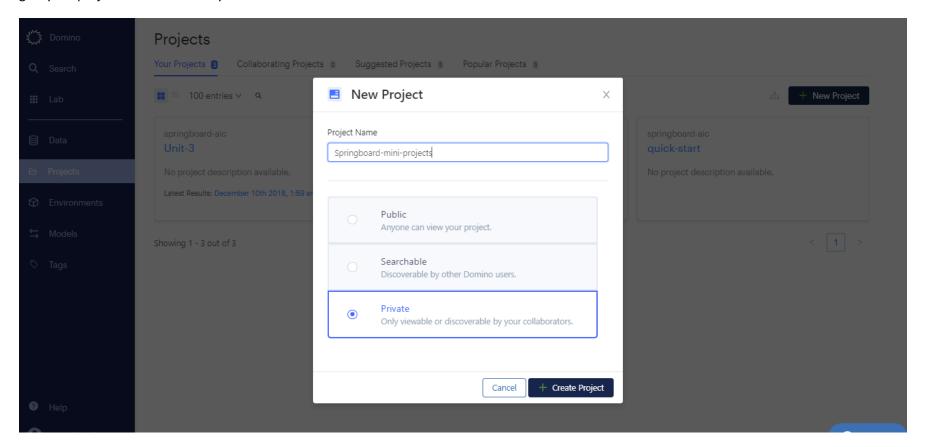
# Domino Data Lab Setup Tutorial

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## **Creating a Project**

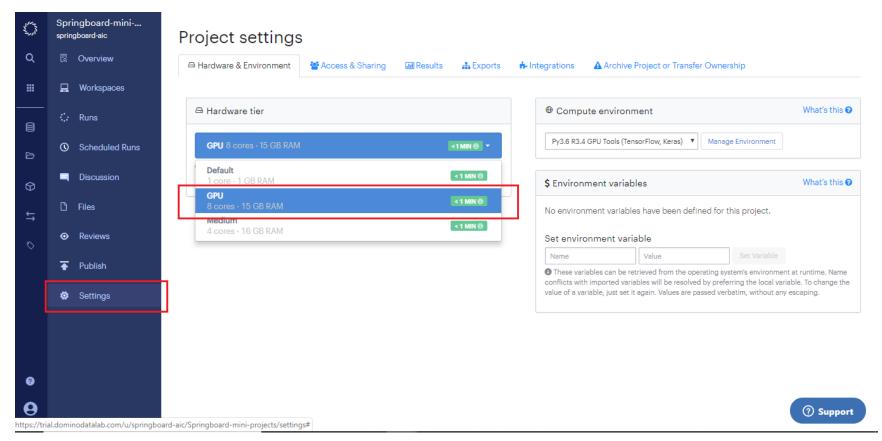
Make sure you have signed up for a Domino Data Lab account and head over to the following URL: https://trial.dominodatalab.com/projects

Create a new project as depicted in the following snapshot (this is where you will be working on your mini-projects on the cloud). You are free to give your project name based on your choice

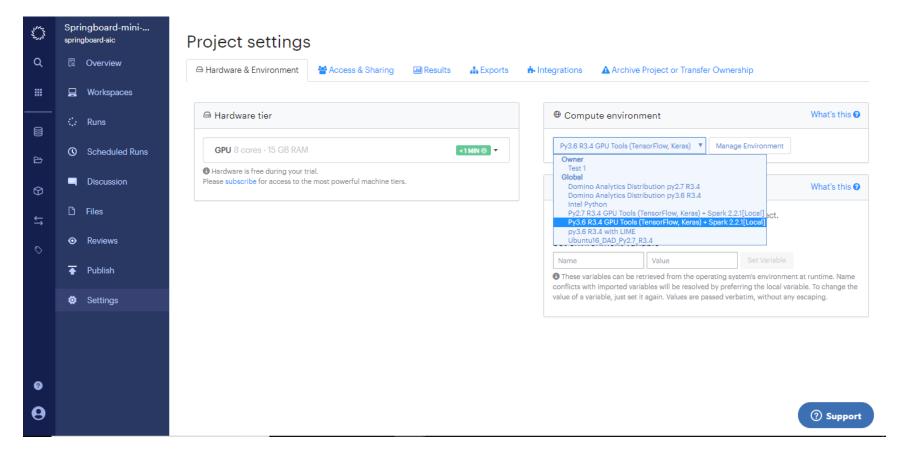


## **Configuring your Project Settings**

Head over to 'Settings' and select the hardware tier of your choice (you get both CPU and GPU environments)

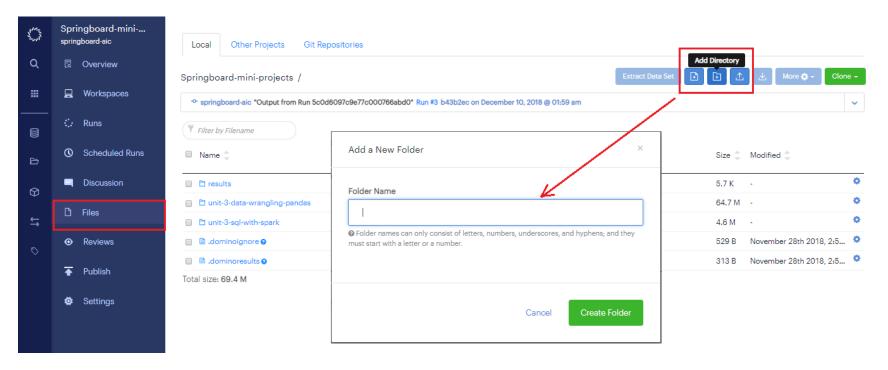


Also in 'Settings' select the compute environment of your choice (we recommend the Py3.6 GPU Tools (tensorflow, keras) + Spark 2.2)

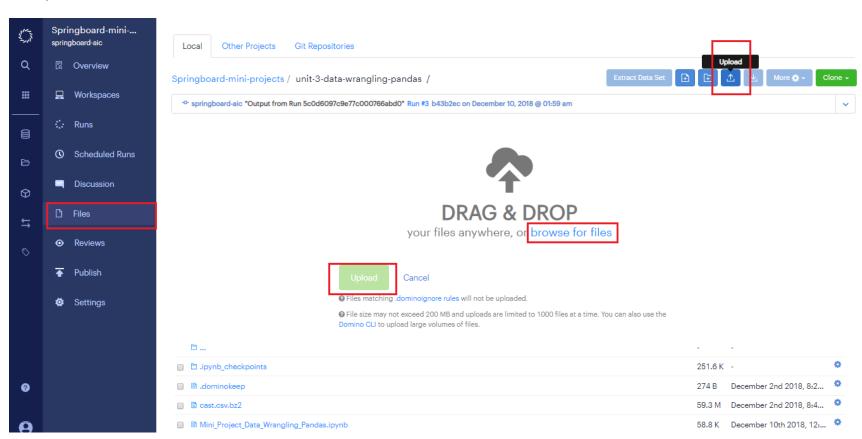


#### **Adding your Project Files**

Head to the 'Files' section and you can create a new directory (for each of your mini-projects)

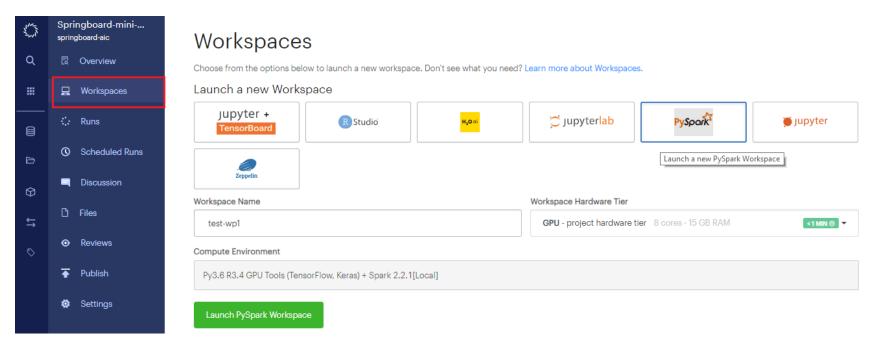


Now you can upload all the necessary files for the corresponding mini-project (notebooks, datasets) in the respective directory (sample shown below)

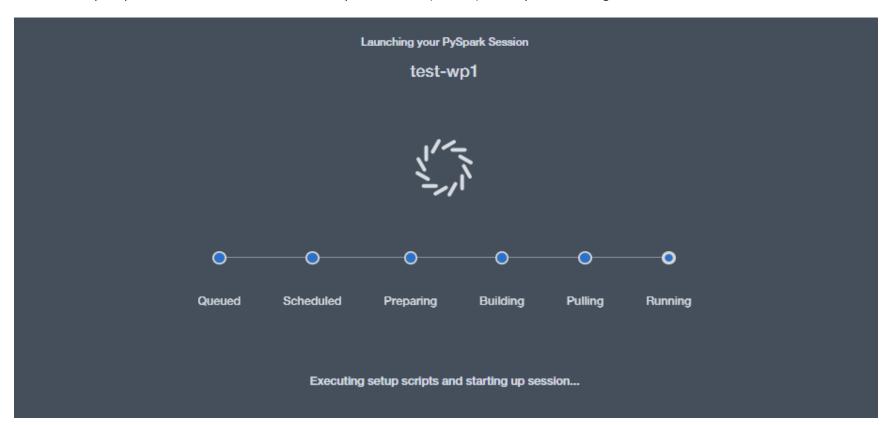


## Launching a Workspace

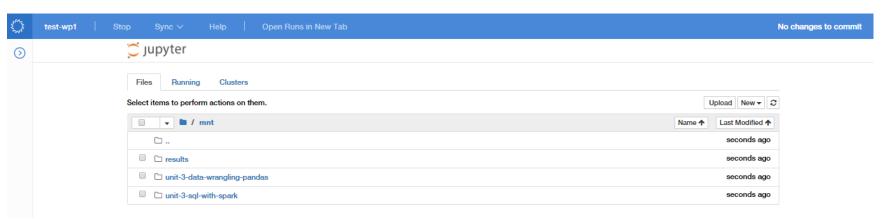
Head over to the 'Workspaces' tab in your project, make sure to give a name to your Workspace, select the Hardware tier (or use the one you had selected earlier along with the compute environment) and Launch a new workspace! We recommend launching a PySpark Workspace where you get all the necessary Python libraries along with pre-configured Spark environment and context variables.



Domino will spin up a container based on the availability of instances (servers). Usually this can range from less than a minute to a few minutes.

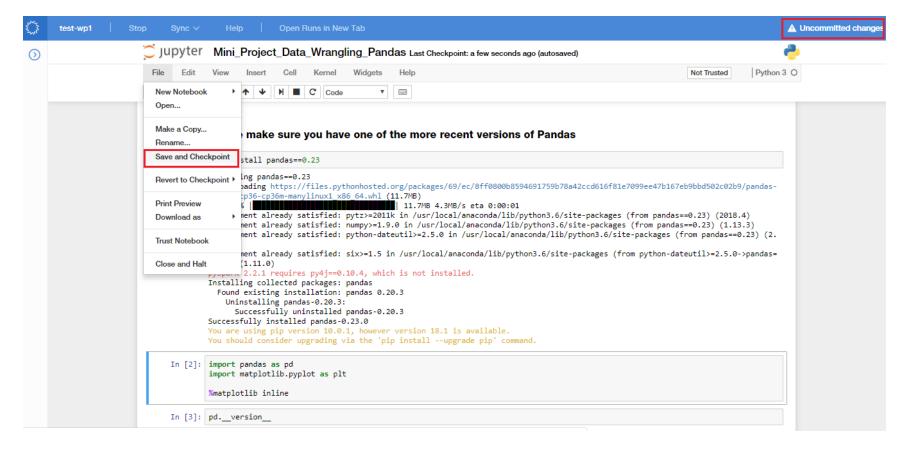


Once your workspace is up and running you should be able to see your `Files` directory which is typically present in `\mnt' as depicted in the following snapshot.

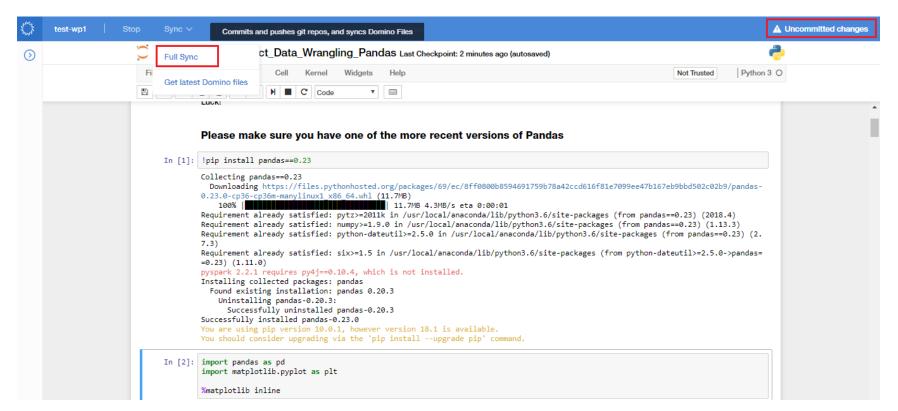


#### **Working on your Project**

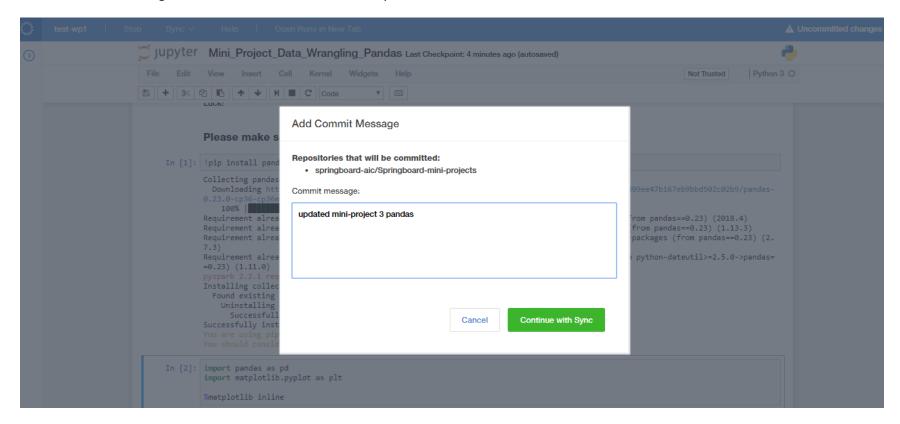
You can now open up any Jupyter notebook (including ones from your mini-projects) and start working on them. Once you make changes to your notebook, remember to save the notebook. Notice the 'Uncommited changes' label on the top right. Since you are working on a containerized environment, it is essential to also save the changes you make on the cloud to your storage directory (This is called Syncing in Domino)



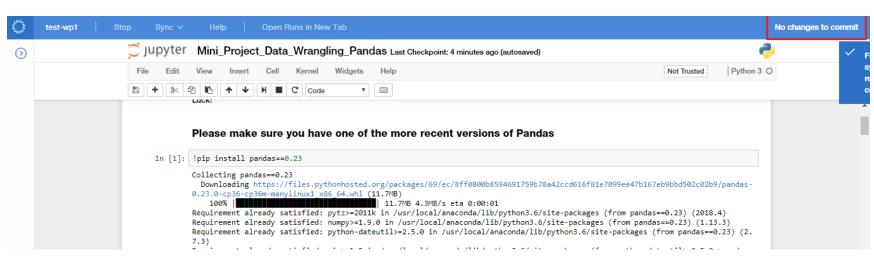
Use the `Full Sync` option to sync all changes from the containerized instance to your storage ( '/mnt') in your project on Domino and also get any local changes from Domino to your running instance.



Add in a commit message which is useful to remember what you did last!



Once the syncing process is complete, you should see a `No changes to commit` label on the top right. Remember to save and commit frequently when using the Domino platform!



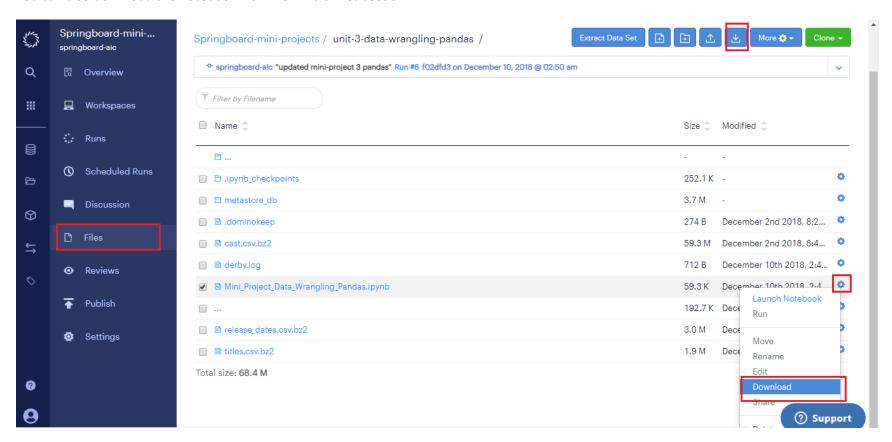
# Download your work (for submissions)

Typically often you just need to submit your mini-project solutions as Jupyter notebooks in GitHub repositories. For this, once you are confident that your solutions are working well (or you can always revisit the previous steps and make changes and come back to this step). You can follow any of the following two methods to download your work to your system and push it to your GitHub repository (follow the GitHub tutorial in the curriculum pre-work in case you might need a refresher on how to add your projects on GitHub)

You can download the notebook directly from the Jupyter interface!



You can also download the notebook from Domino's Files section.



Hope this gives you a good introductory guide to using Domino Data Lab's Data Science Platform!

Feel free to refer to their tutorials here for further detail: <a href="https://support.dominodatalab.com/hc/en-us/articles/360016336612">https://support.dominodatalab.com/hc/en-us/articles/360016336612</a>