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In [ ]: #You need to create a twitter developer account
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In [1]: #Example from Just added more notes
#https://www.earthdatascience.org/courses/use-data-open-source-python/intro-to-apis/twitter-data-in-python/
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Authorizing an application to access Twitter account data

- To access the Twitter API, you will need 4 things from the your Twitter App page.
- These keys are located in your Twitter app settings in the Keys and Access Tokens tab.

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In [6]: #import libraries that you need
import tweepy
from tweepy import OAuthHandler, Stream

#import other required libraries
import os
import pandas as pd
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- Go to <https://developer.twitter.com/en/apps> (<https://developer.twitter.com/en/apps>) to create an app and get values
- for these credentials, which you'll need to provide in place of these
- empty string values that are defined as placeholders.
- See <https://developer.twitter.com/en/docs/basics/authentication/overview/oauth> (<https://developer.twitter.com/en/docs/basics/authentication/overview/oauth>)
- for more information on Twitter's OAuth implementation.

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In [7]: #required keys and tokens

access_token = '1219125691028930560-CZyXhF1gCpMM8rG11KwuYJaMoX7uNa'
access_secret = '0qSAXEoLmH9pKDPVFy2pQzb1oaGxRcbb0JJgnkhq5F2d4'
consumer_key = 'HpU6B5BVTuwAfa5nYX1vAVxgD'
consumer_secret = 'Cgcs5YIHpIp5Pu5US3N0XAX8N4j1JgPQrE4aK8LYkM89nqeTQa'

auth = tweepy.OAuthHandler(consumer_key, consumer_secret)
auth.set_access_token(access_token, access_secret)

twitter_api = tweepy.API(auth)

# Nothing to see by displaying twitter_api except that it's now a
# defined variable

print(twitter_api)
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<tweepy.api.API object at 0x000001FAEF7B8F08>
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Search Twitter for Tweets

- Now you are ready to search Twitter for recent tweets!
- Start by finding recent tweets that use the #wildfires hashtag.
- You will use the .Cursor method to get an object containing tweets containing the hashtag #wildfires.
- To create this query, you will define the:
 - Search term - in this case #wildfires
 - the start date of your search
 - Remember that the Twitter API only allows you to access the past few weeks of tweets, so you cannot dig into the history too far.

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In [9]: # Define the search term and the date_since date as variables
search_words = "#wildfires"
date_since = "2018-11-16"
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In [10]: #Below you use .Cursor() to search twitter for tweets containing the search term #wildfires.
#You can restrict the number of tweets returned by specifying a number in the .items() method.
#.items(5) will return 5 of the most recent tweets.

# Collect tweets
tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                        q=search_words,
                        lang="en",
                        since=date_since).items(5)

tweets
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Out[10]: <tweepy.cursor.ItemIterator at 0x1faec837308>
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- .Cursor() returns an object that you can iterate or loop over to access the data collected.
- Each item in the iterator has various attributes that you can access to get information about each tweet including:
 - the text of the tweet
 - who sent the tweet
 - the date the tweet was sent and more
- The code below loops through the object and prints the text associated with each tweet.

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In [11]: # Collect tweets
tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                        q=search_words,
                        lang="en",
                        since=date_since).items(5)

# Iterate and print tweets
for tweet in tweets:
    print(tweet.text)
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1/2 Local officials in #Russia's remote #Irkutsk province are caught on camera setting fire to the forests. The ori... <https://t.co/zGj0Tr2iUj>
 RT @m_parrington: Save the dates for some exciting presentations on global #wildfires at #EGU20 next week!

Session NH7.2 on spatial & temp...
 RT @sfe2016dublin: #GlobalWarning !!

#FireLosses In #Australia & #Bushfires Leave 470 Plants & Nearly 200 Animals In Extreme Stress ~ Gove...
 RT @Grantham_IC: "In a matter of years the UK will be ill prepared to handle #wildfires. It must consider what it might need in the future...
 RT @m_parrington: Save the dates for some exciting presentations on global #wildfires at #EGU20 next week!

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- The above approach uses a standard for loop.
- However, this is an excellent place to use a Python list comprehension.
- A list comprehension provides an efficient way to collect object elements contained within an iterator as a list.

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In [12]: # Collect tweets
tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                        q=search_words,
                        lang="en",
                        since=date_since).items(5)

# Collect a List of tweets
[tweet.text for tweet in tweets]
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Out[12]: ["1/2 Local officials in #Russia's remote #Irkutsk province are caught on camera setting fire to the forests. The ori... https://t.co/zGj0Tr2iUj",
          'RT @m_parrington: Save the dates for some exciting presentations on global #wildfires at #EGU20 next week!\n\nSession NH7.2 on spatial & temp...',
          'RT @sfe2016dublin: #GlobalWarning !!\n\n#FireLosses In #Australia & #Bushfires Leave 470 Plants & Nearly 200 Animals In Extreme Stress ~ Gove...',
          'RT @Grantham_IC: "In a matter of years the UK will be ill prepared to handle #wildfires. It must consider what it might need in the future...',
          'RT @m_parrington: Save the dates for some exciting presentations on global #wildfires at #EGU20 next week!\n\nSession NH7.2 on spatial & temp...']
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To Keep or Remove Retweets

- A retweet is when someone shares someone else's tweet.
- It is similar to sharing in Facebook.
- Sometimes you may want to remove retweets as they contain duplicate content that might skew your analysis if you are only looking at word frequency.
- Other times, you may want to keep retweets.
- Below you ignore all retweets by adding `-filter:retweets` to your query.
- The Twitter API documentation has information on other ways to customize your queries.

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In [13]: new_search = search_words + " -filter:retweets"
new_search
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Out[13]: '#wildfires -filter:retweets'
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In [14]: tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                                q=new_search,
                                lang="en",
                                since=date_since).items(5)

[tweet.text for tweet in tweets]
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Out[14]: ["1/2 Local officials in #Russia's remote #Irkutsk province are caught on cam
era setting fire to the forests. The ori... https://t.co/zGj0Tr2iUj",
'Save the dates for some exciting presentations on global #wildfires at #EGU
20 next week!\n\nSession NH7.2 on spatial... https://t.co/BaV9Fc8yLX',
'"In a matter of years the UK will be ill prepared to handle #wildfires. It
must consider what it might need in the... https://t.co/j3B1Y3SFZg',
'✓87% of #wildfires in #Siberia man-made \n✓ Many Russian cities cloaked
spring fire smog \n\nNews now: "Forest arson... https://t.co/VhEb80Yo9X',
'Got them...\n\nRECYCLED #QuickDraw from the #AbLeg public (not empty press)
gallery #Abpoli #NDP #UCP #Abpoli... https://t.co/E7Y2ZzFyQ5']
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Who is Tweeting About Wildfires?

- You can access a wealth of information associated with each tweet. Below is an example of accessing the users who are sending the tweets related to `#wildfires` and their locations.
- Note that user locations are manually entered into Twitter by the user.
- Thus, you will see a lot of variation in the format of this value.
 - `tweet.user.screen_name` provides the user's twitter handle associated with each tweet.
 - `tweet.user.location` provides the user's provided location.
- You can experiment with other items available within each tweet by typing `tweet.` and using the tab button to see all of the available attributes stored.

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In [15]: tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                                q=new_search,
                                lang="en",
                                since=date_since).items(5)

users_locs = [[tweet.user.screen_name, tweet.user.location] for tweet in tweets]
users_locs
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Out[15]: [['A_Melikishvili', 'Paris, France'],
           ['m_parrington', 'UK'],
           ['Grantham_IC', 'Imperial College London'],
           ['changeobserved', ''],
           ['DougBrinkman', '']]
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Create a Pandas Dataframe From A List of Tweet Data

One you have a list of items that you wish to work with, you can create a pandas dataframe that contains that data.

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In [20]: tweet_text = pd.DataFrame(data=users_locs,
                                   columns=['user', "location"])
tweet_text
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Out[20]:
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	user	location
0	A_Melikishvili	Paris, France
1	m_parrington	UK
2	Grantham_IC	Imperial College London
3	changeobserved	
4	DougBrinkman	

Customizing Twitter Queries

- For instance, if you search for climate+change, Twitter will return all tweets that contain both of those words (in a row) in each tweet.

In [19]: *#Note that the code below creates a List that can be queried
#using Python indexing to return the first five tweets.*

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new_search = "climate+change -filter:retweets"

tweets = tweepy.Cursor(twitter_api.search,
                        q=new_search,
                        lang="en",
                        since='2018-04-23').items(1000)

all_tweets = [tweet.text for tweet in tweets]
all_tweets[:5]
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Out[19]: ['Climate Change Threatens Drinking Water Across Great Lakes <https://t.co/bKIH1SNfHa>',
 '@Reuters One thinks climate change isn't happening at all (which is wrong) and the other thinks climate change is a... <https://t.co/y4MXM1Adq7>',
 'My generation blew it. Fortunately, youth are stepping up. <https://t.co/2Yk1091N0X>',
 'Guidelines issued for handling of waste generated during COVID-19 patient's treatment \nCentral Pollution Control Bo... <https://t.co/ROuFzidv5e>',
 'Mutual aid groups respond to double threat of coronavirus and climate chang e <https://t.co/CRjnTLUZzh> <https://t.co/8NAecFp1tz>']