Lab-1: Setup Environment

Introduction

This lab will set up the Watson Studio environment for subsequent labs and introduce you to the Project and Community features of Watson Studio. Watson Studio is an integrated platform of tools, services, data, and meta-data to help companies and agencies accelerate their shift to be data driven organizations. The platform enables data professionals such as data scientists, data engineers, business analysts, and application developers collaboratively work with data to build, train, deploy machine learning and deep learning models at scale to infuse AI into business to drive innovation. Watson Studio is designed to support the development and deployment of data and analytics assets for the enterprise.

End-to-End Data Science

The general flow of the End to End Data Science PoT will be guided by the activities shown in Figure 1- End to End Flow. This lab will focus on the Create Project and Research Topics activities.

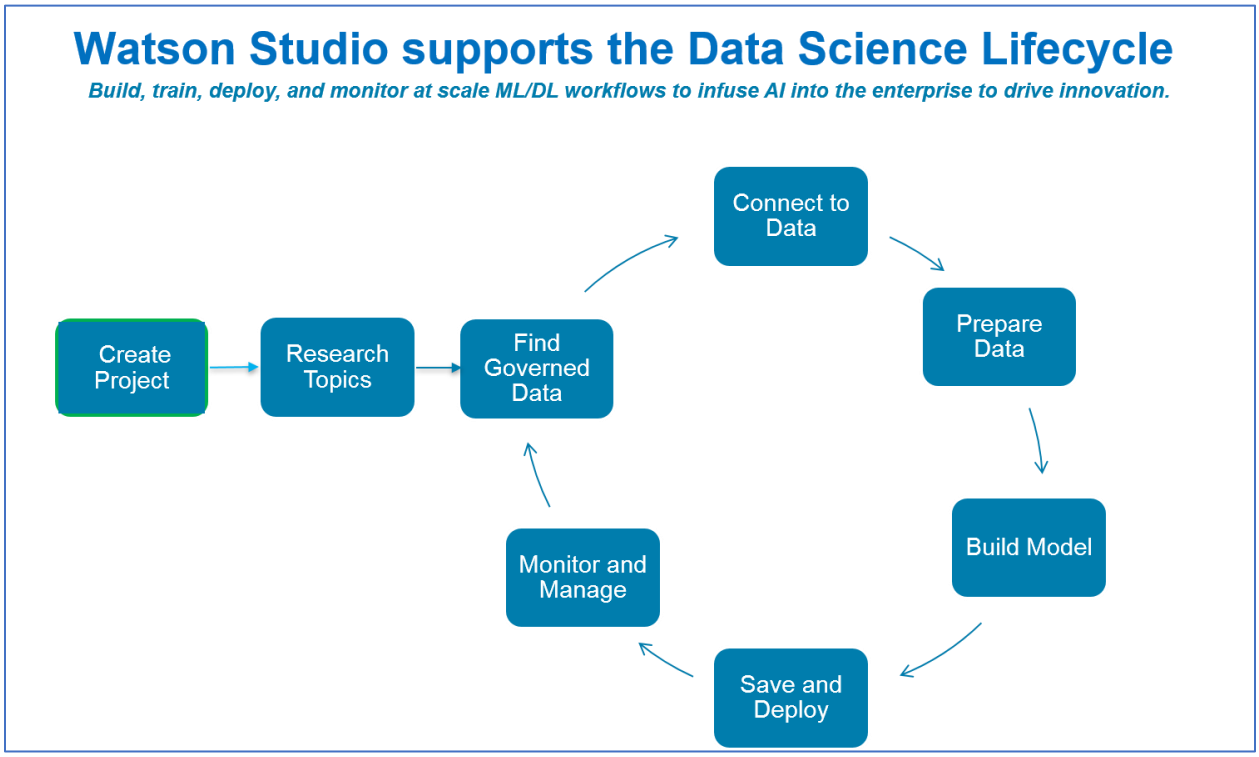


Figure 1- End to End Flow

Objectives

The goal of this lab is to familiarize the user with the Project and Community features of Watson Studio, and to set up the environment for subsequent labs. Projects are a core component of Watson Studio. Projects enable you to organize your analytic and data assets in one place. Projects are also the home base for collaboration. Colleagues can be added as collaborators on a project with administrator, editor, or viewer access.

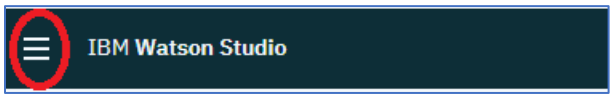
The Community feature of Watson Studio provides built-in learning. Articles, Notebooks, Tutorials, Datasets, and Papers are curated from well-known sources and provided as "Community Cards". These artifacts can be bookmarked in Projects for easy reference. The Community feature supports the "Research Topics" activity in the end-to-end process shown above.

After completing this lab, you will be familiar with these features of Watson Studio.

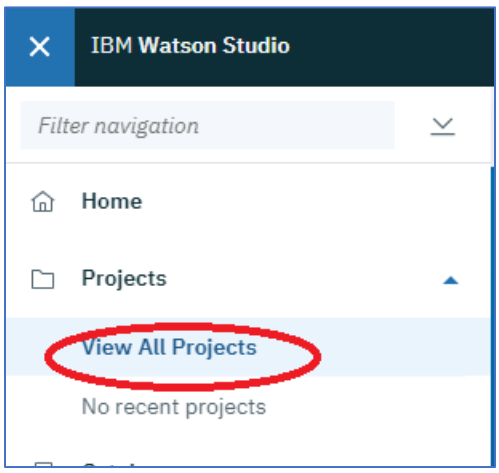
1. Create a project
2. Create an object storage instance and associate it with the project
3. Associate an existing Watson Machine Learning service instance with the project
4. Add a collaborator to the project
5. Research topics by searching the Community

Create a Project

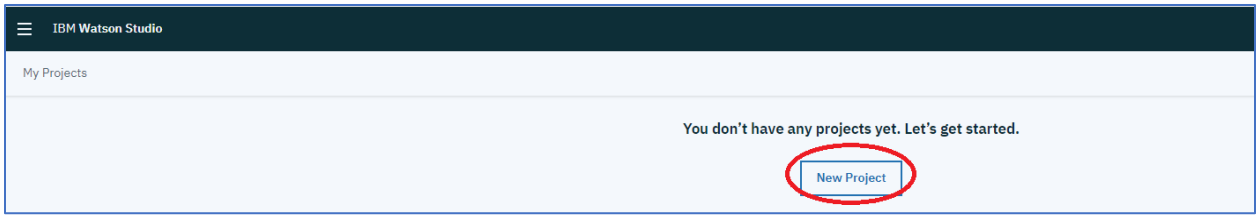
1. Log into your Watson Studio account at datascience.ibm.com, then click on the hamburger icon .



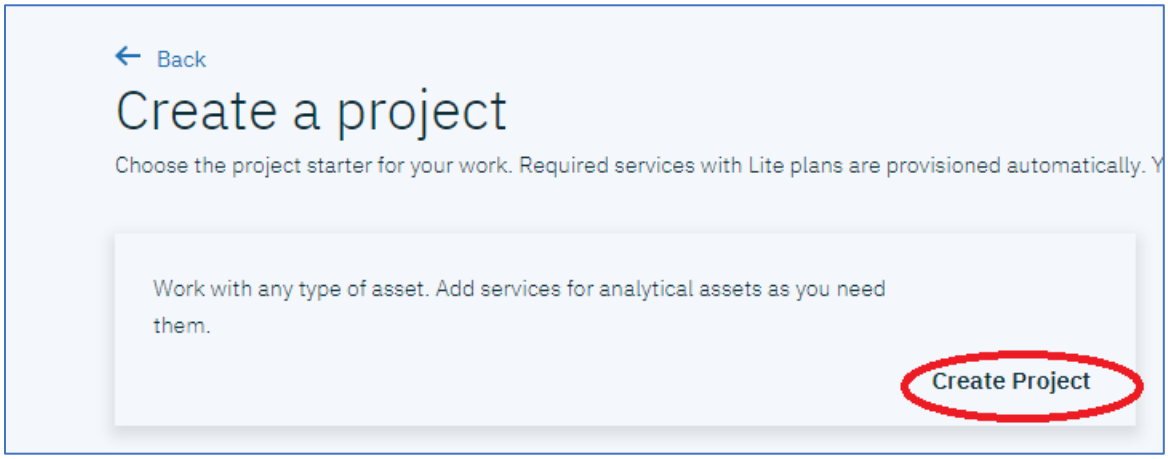
2. Click on **View All Projects**



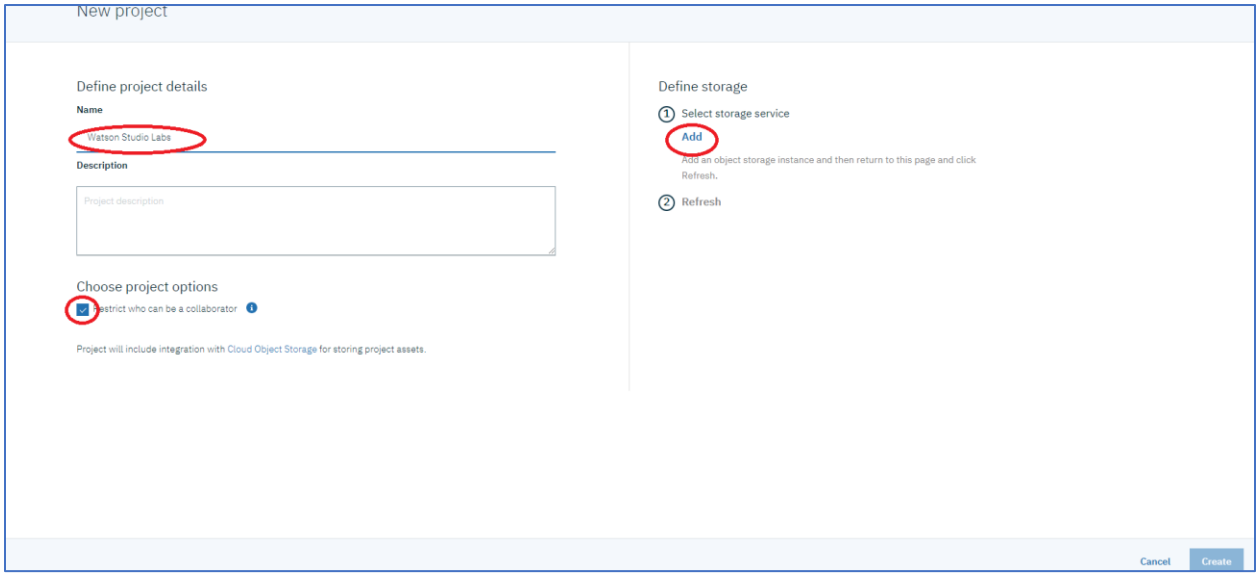
3. Click on **New Project**.



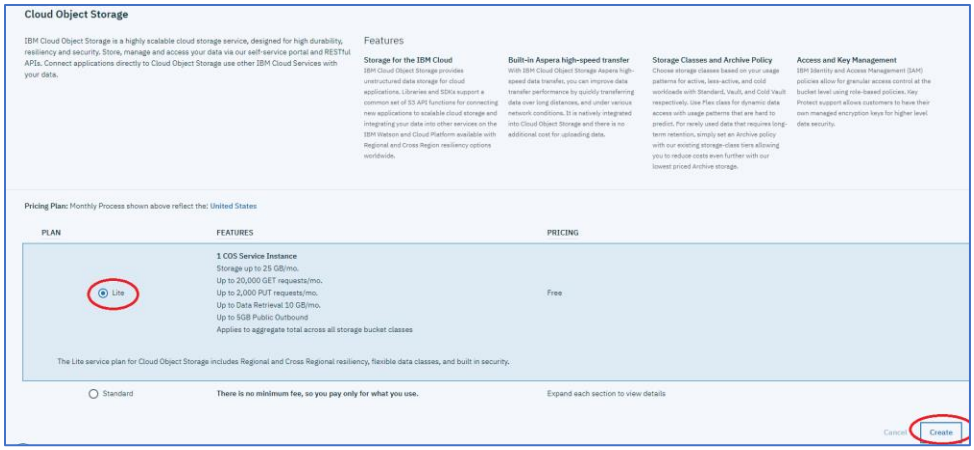
4. Hover the mouse over **Standard,** and then click **Create Project**.



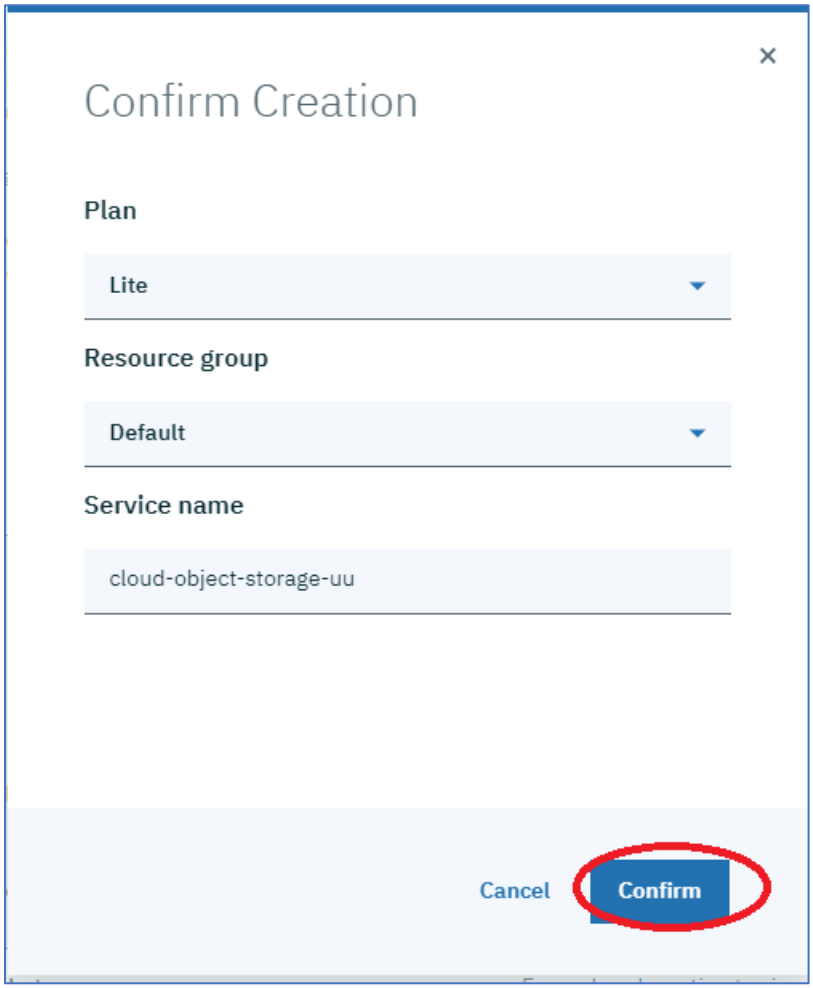
5. Enter "Watson Studio Labs" for the **Name,** optionally enter a **Description,** check **Restrict who can be a collaborator** (if it's unchecked), and in **Define Storage** click on **Add** to add an object storage instance.



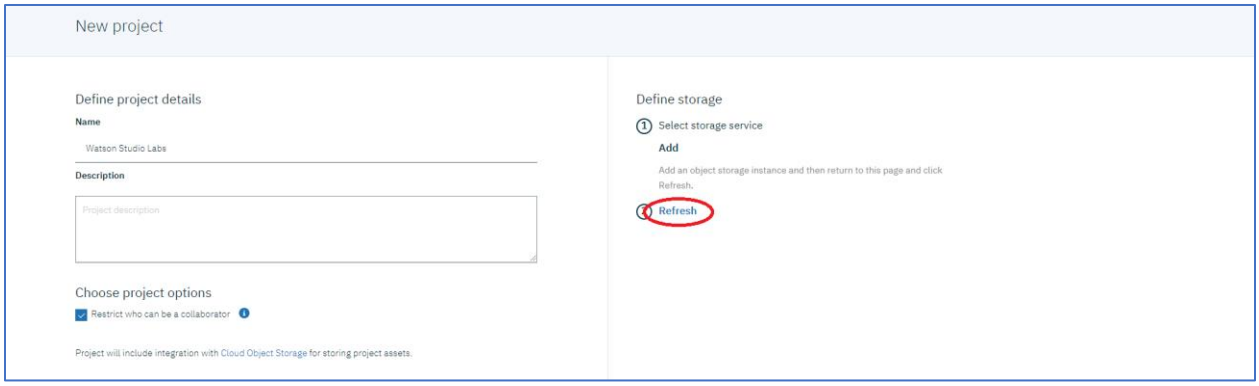
6. Click on **Lite,** and then click on **Create**



7. Click **Confirm**.



8. Click **Refresh**.



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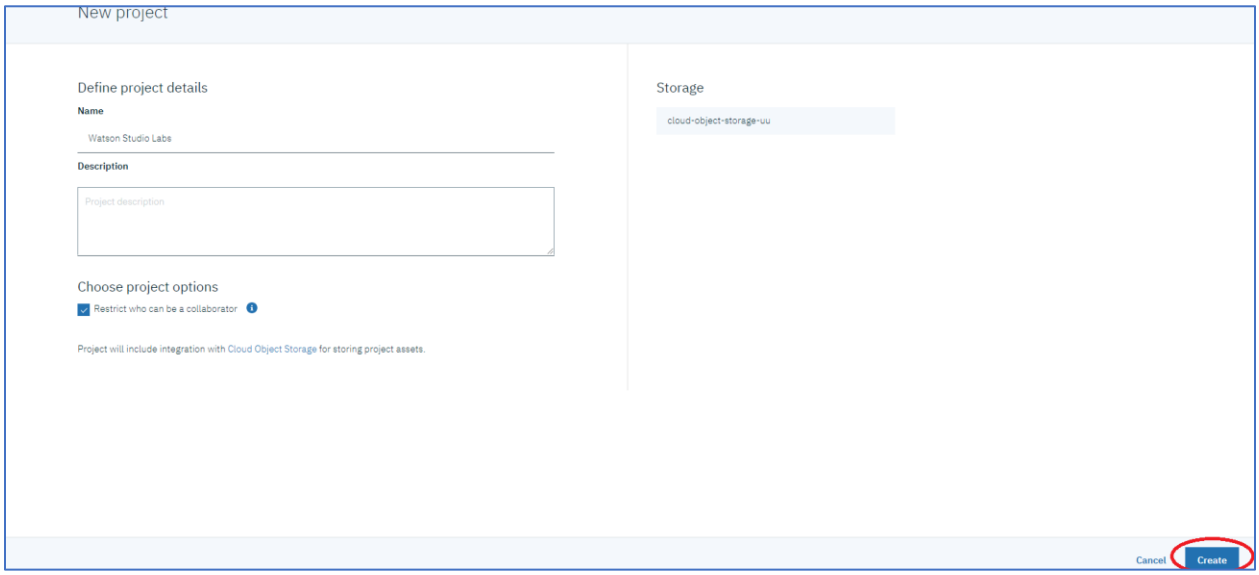
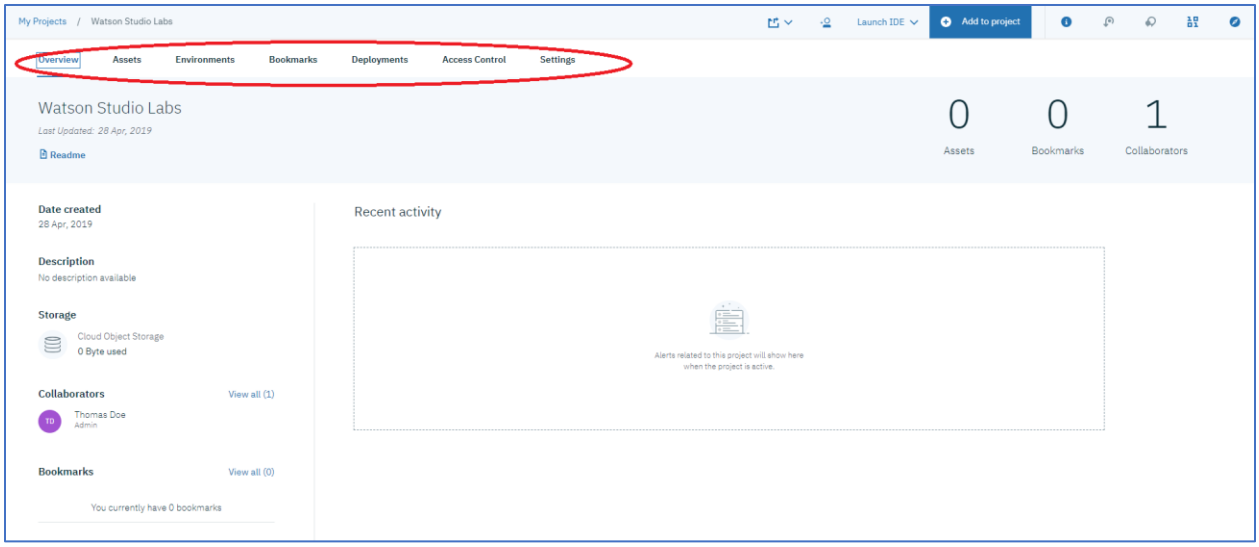


10. The Project **Overview** page is shown. This page provides summarized information about the project. In addition to the Overview page, are six other pages described below.

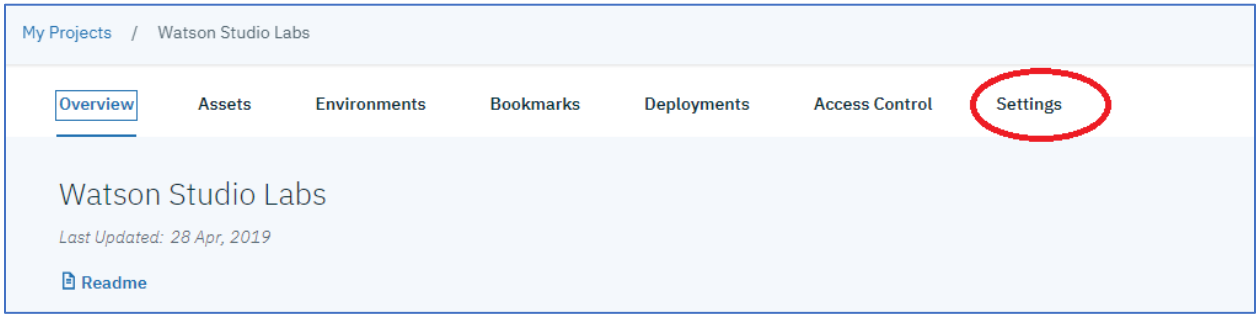
- **a. Assets Page –** Analytics and Data assets can be added to the project from this page.
- **b. Environments Page -** Provides information on the current notebook environments that are defined, lists the active notebook environments currently running, and enables users to create custom notebook environments.
- **c. Bookmarks Page -** Lists artifacts from the Community that are bookmarked in this project.
- **d. Deployments Page –** Lists the deployed models
- **e. Access Control –** Lists the project collaborators and enables users to add/remove collaborators.
- **f. Settings –** Enables users to view and set project attributes.



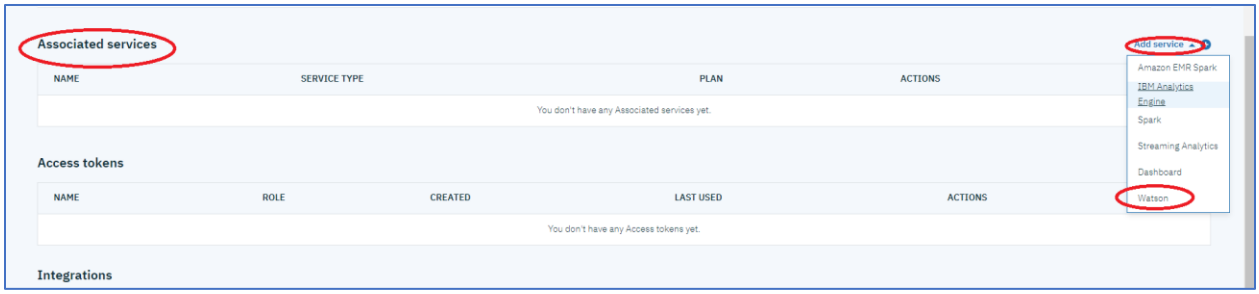
Associate a Watson Machine Learning Service to the Project

To save and deploy machine learning models, a Watson Machine Learning service must be created (if one doesn't exist) and added to our project.

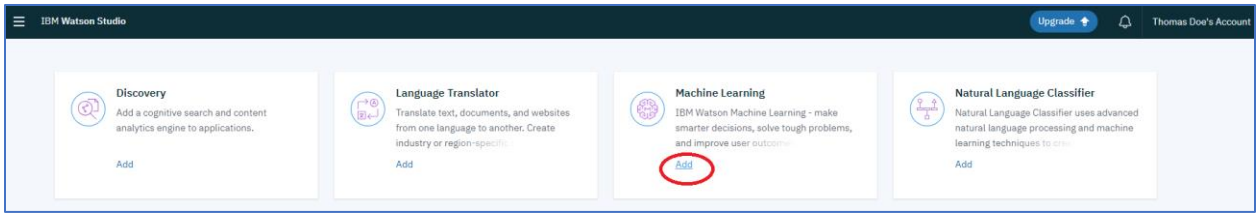
1. Click on **Settings** to navigate to the Project **Settings** page.



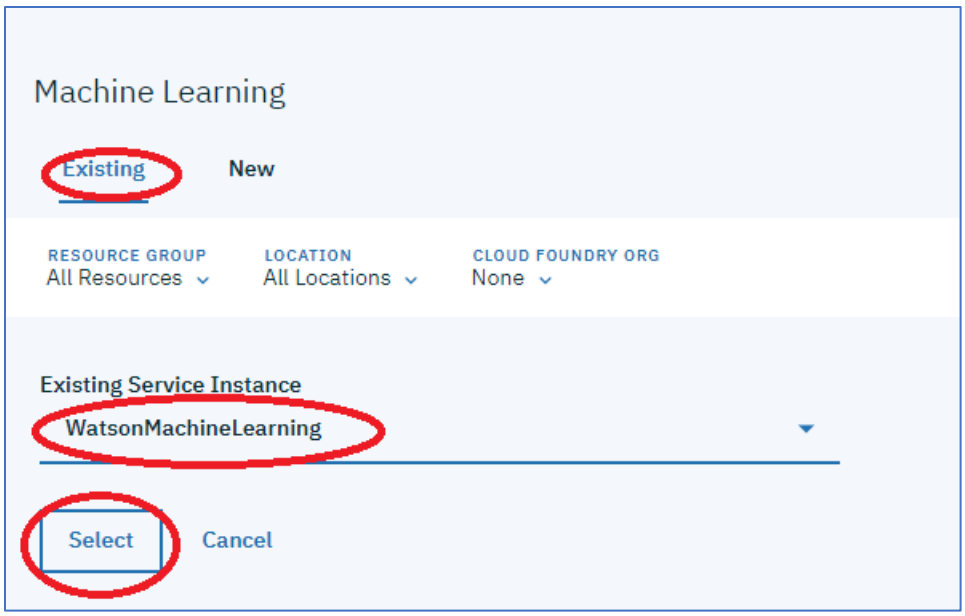
2. Scroll down to **Associated Services,** click on **Add service,** click on **Watson**.



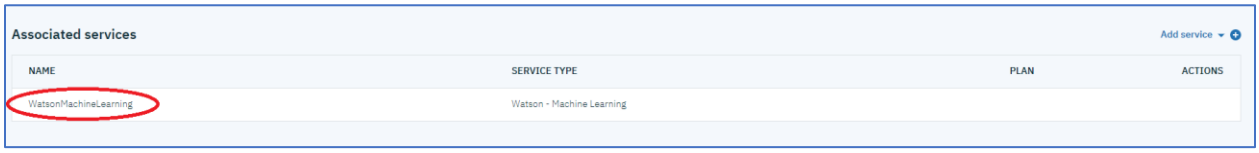
3. Click on **Add** in the **Machine Learning** tile.



4. Select **Existing**, select **WatsonMachineLearning** for the **Existing Service Instance**, and click on **Select**.



5. The **WatsonMachineLearning** service is associated with the project.



Add a Project Collaborator

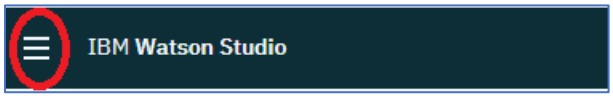
Colleagues can gain access to a project's data and analytic assets by being made a collaborator. Permissions are based on the assigned role. The roles are administrator, editor, and viewer.

Recall, the project that was created in this lab restricts who can collaborate. This option was required to demonstrate the Watson Knowledge catalog features in lab-2. The restriction limits the collaborators to be members of your company (if your company has federated SAML with IBM Cloud), or a member of the project creator's IBM Cloud account. Given the restriction, to demonstrate adding collaborators to the project, we will need to first add the collaborator to your IBM Cloud account.

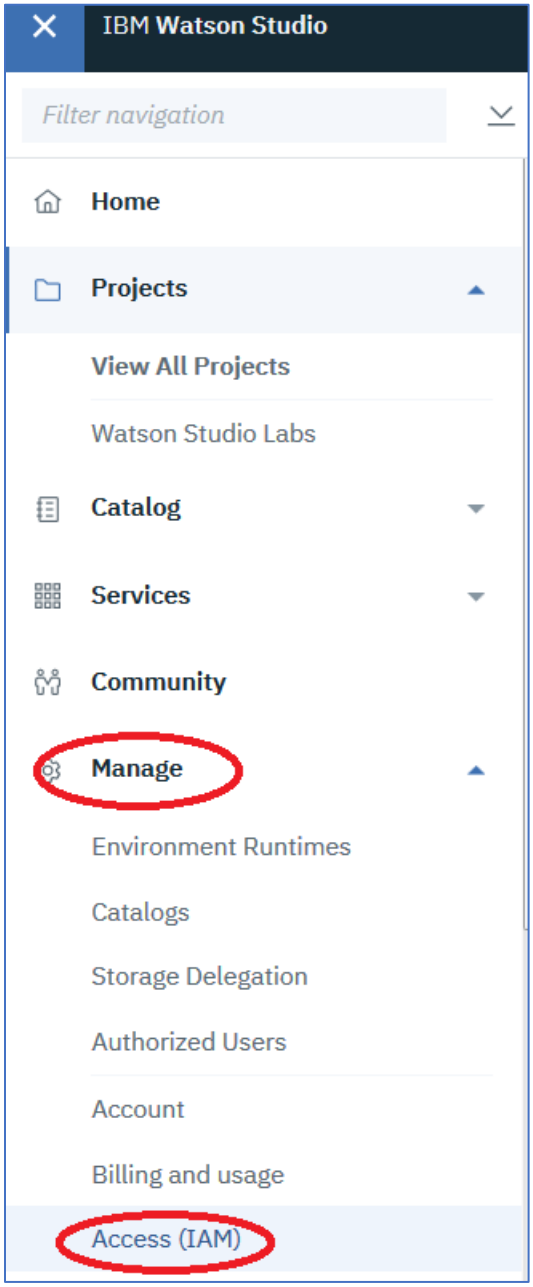
We will add two collaborators. One to demonstrate project collaboration, the second to demonstrate catalog collaboration.

Step 1 – Add Collaborator to the IBM Account

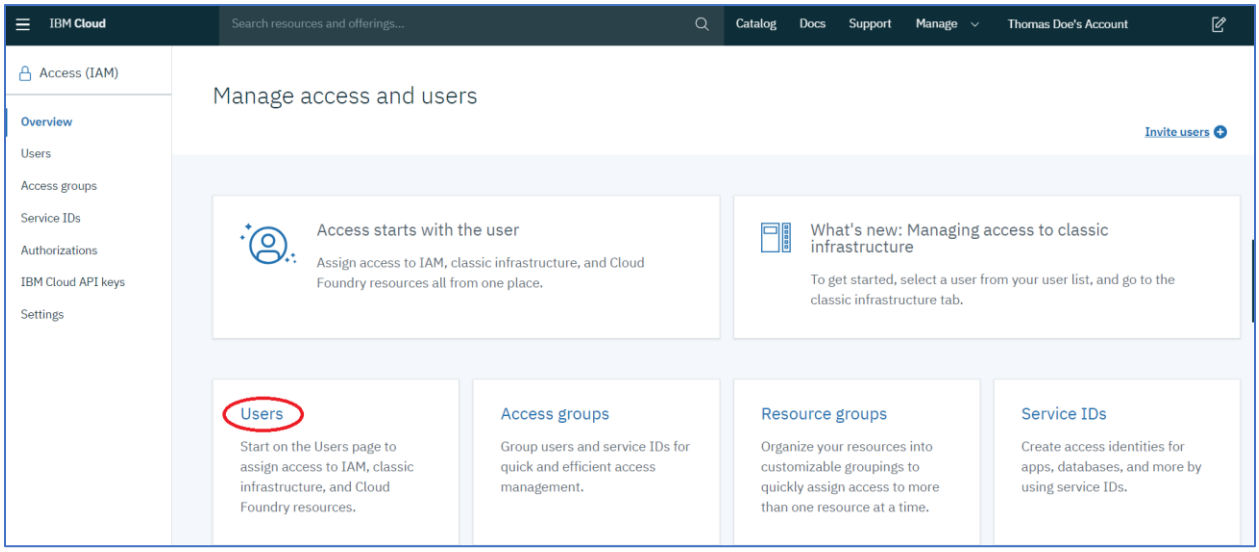
1. Click on the hamburger icon



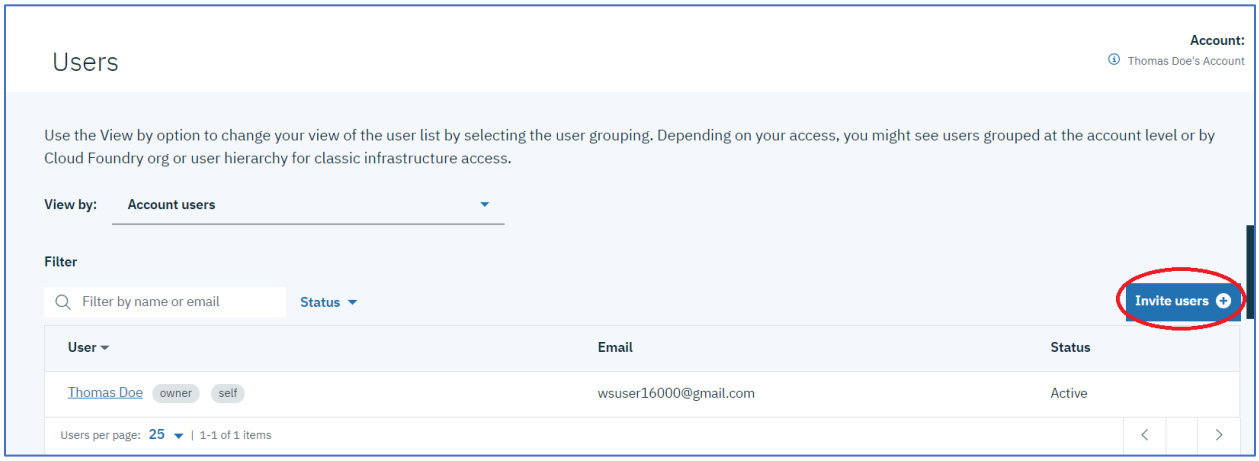
2. Click on **Manage** and then click on **Access (IAM)**



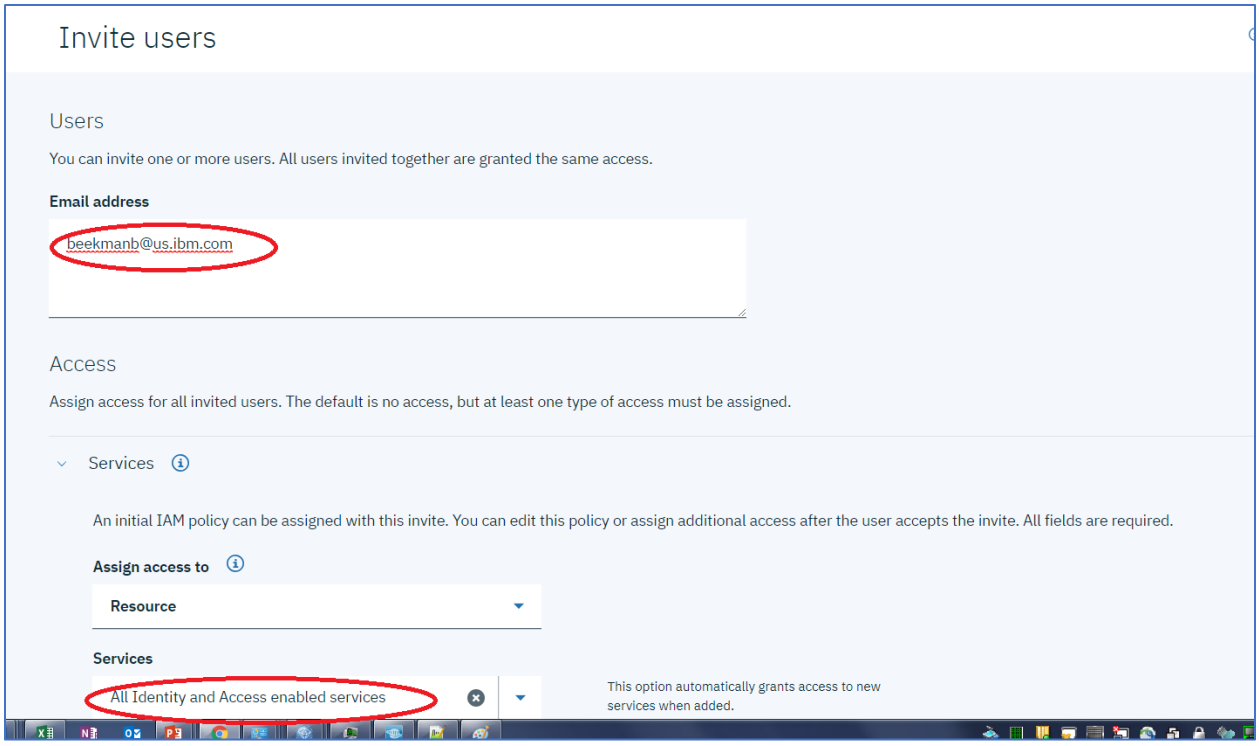
3. Click on **Users**.



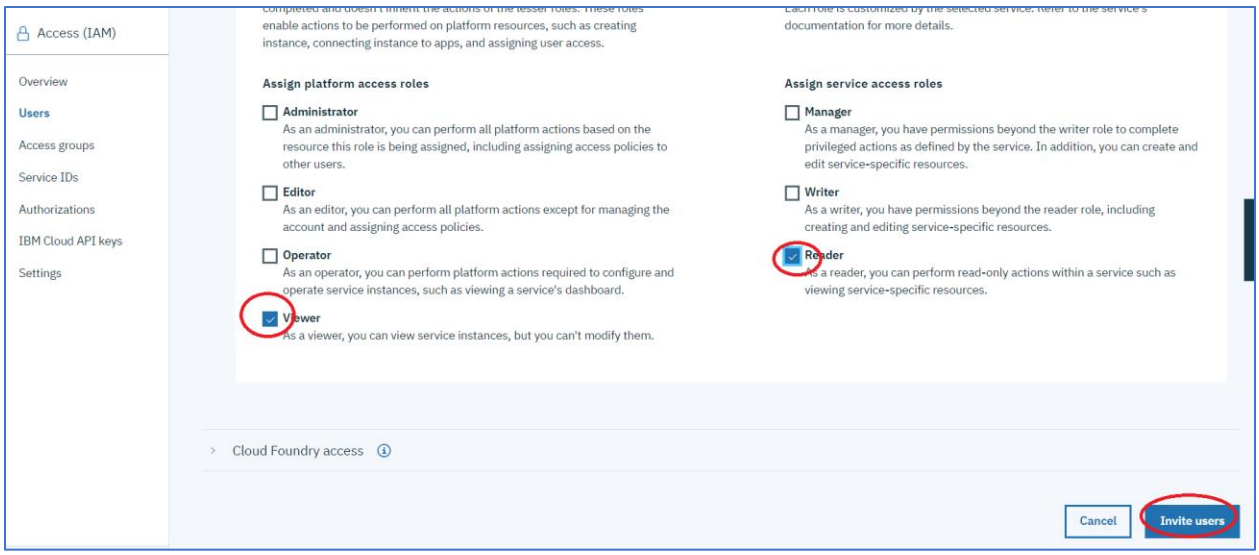
4. Click on **Invite Users**.



5. For **E-mail address**, enter the **PROJECT COLLABORATOR** e-mail address on the index card handed out, for **Service** select **All Identity and Access enabled services**.



6. Scroll down. For **Platform access roles**, click on **Viewer**. For **Service access roles**, click on **Reader**, and then click on **Invite users**.

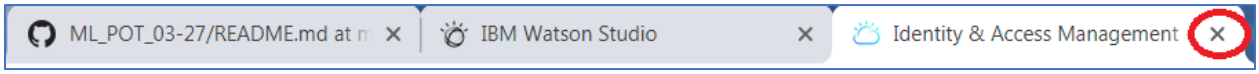


7. Repeat steps 7&8 for the **CATALOG COLLABORATOR** on the index card handed out.

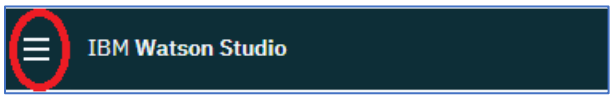
Step 2 – Add Collaborator to the Project

Now that the collaborator has been added to the IBM Cloud Account, you can add the collaborator to the project.

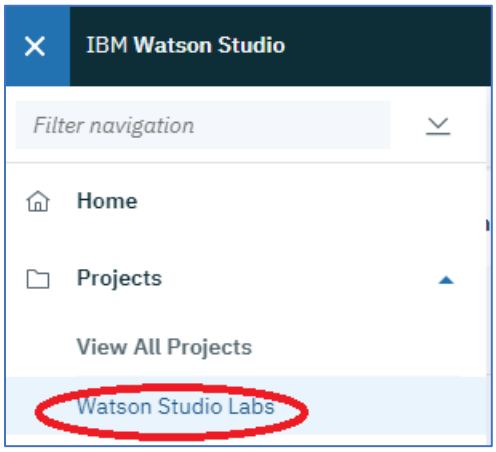
1. Close the Identity and Access Management tab.



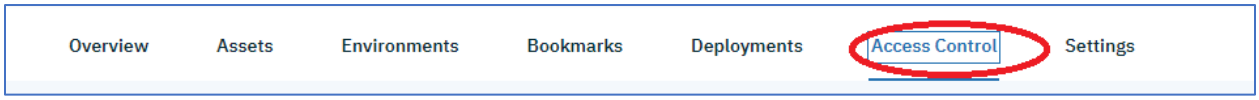
2. Click on the **IBM Watson Studio** tab. Click on the ☰ icon.



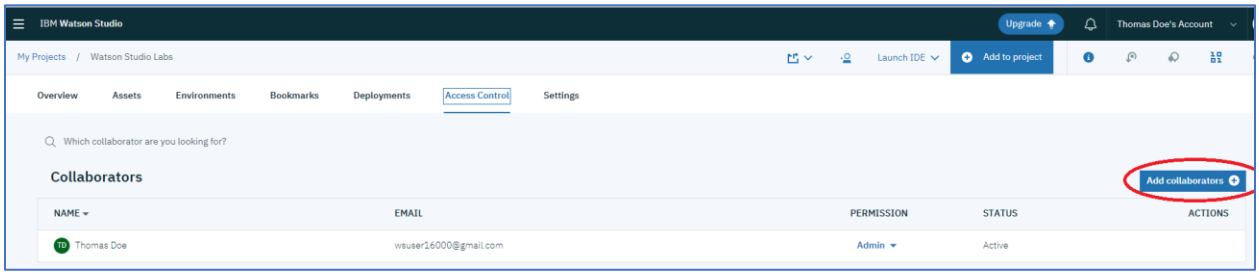
3. Click on Watson Studio Labs.



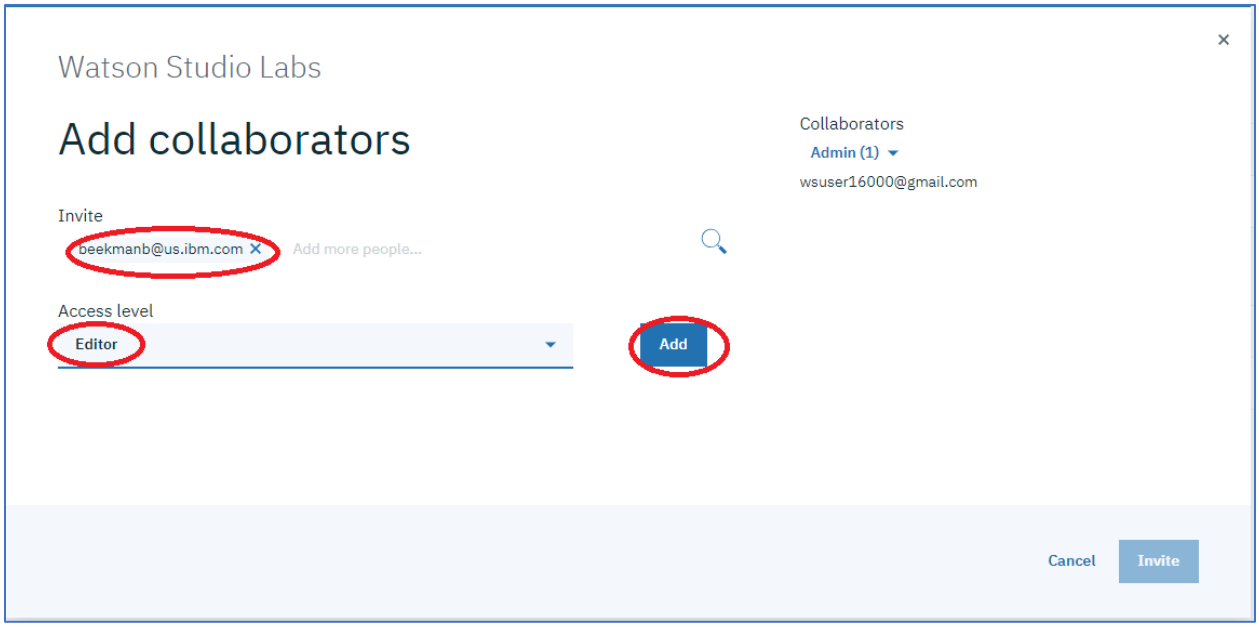
4. Click on the **Access Control** tab.



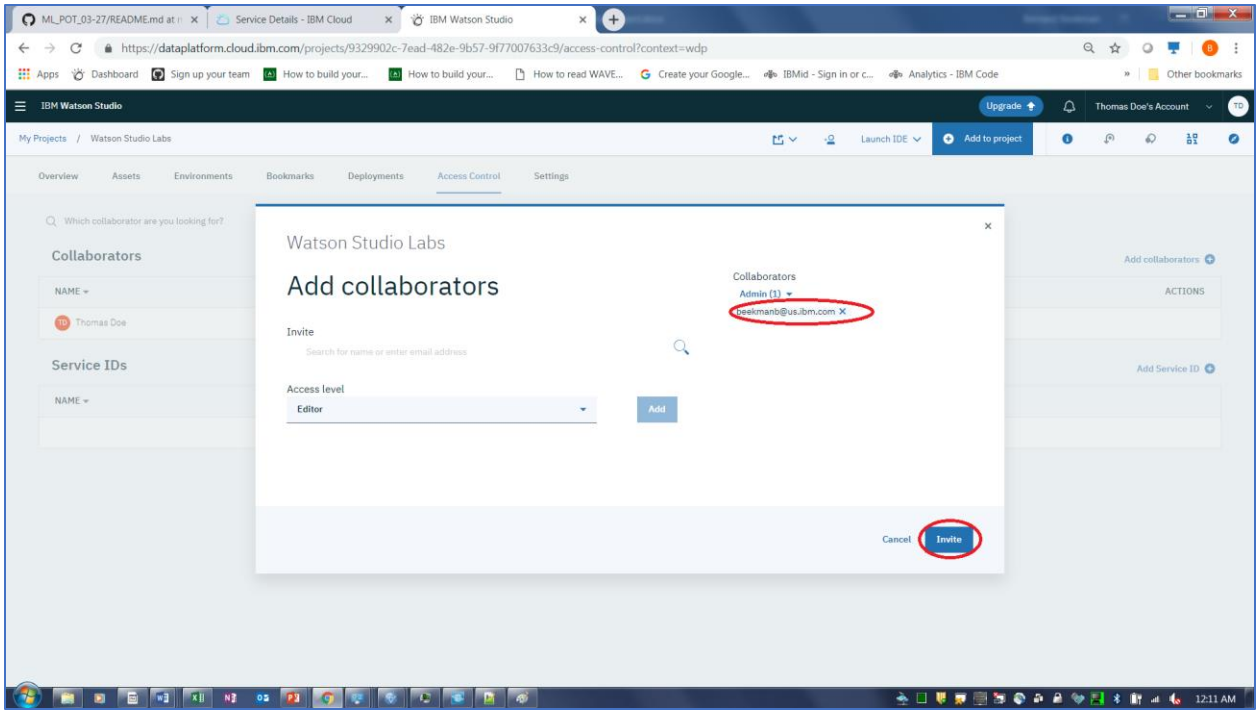
5. Click on **Add Collaborator**.



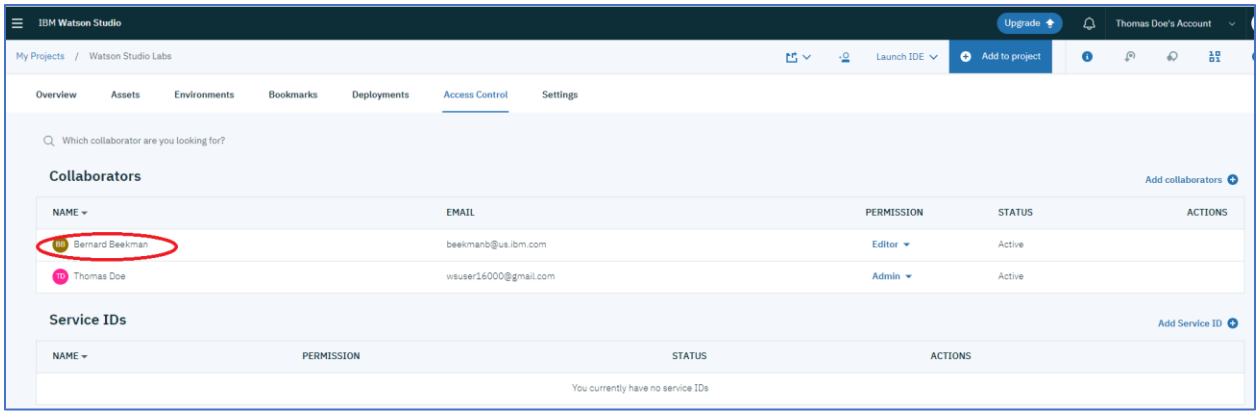
6. For **Invite**, enter the **PROJECT COLLABORATOR** e-mail address on the index card handed out by the instructor, press Tab key, select Editor from the **Access Level** dropdown, and click on **Add**.



7. The collaborator is added to the list of Collaborators on the right-hand side. Click on **Invite**.



8. The collaborator is added.



Research Topics

As you work on a data analysis project, you may need to do some research to help find a solution. Watson Studio provides a built-in learning capability, accessed via the **Community** option, that contains articles, sample notebooks, tutorials, sample datasets, and papers on a variety of topics. These are curated on a regular basis to provide up-to-date materials.

For the lab exercise, assume that you are interested in learning how to use the Watson Machine Learning api to save and deploy a machine learning mode. We will look for a sample notebook that demonstrates this capability and bookmark this capability in our project.

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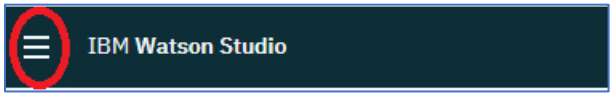
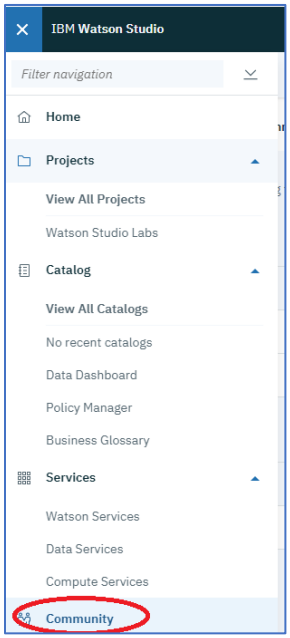
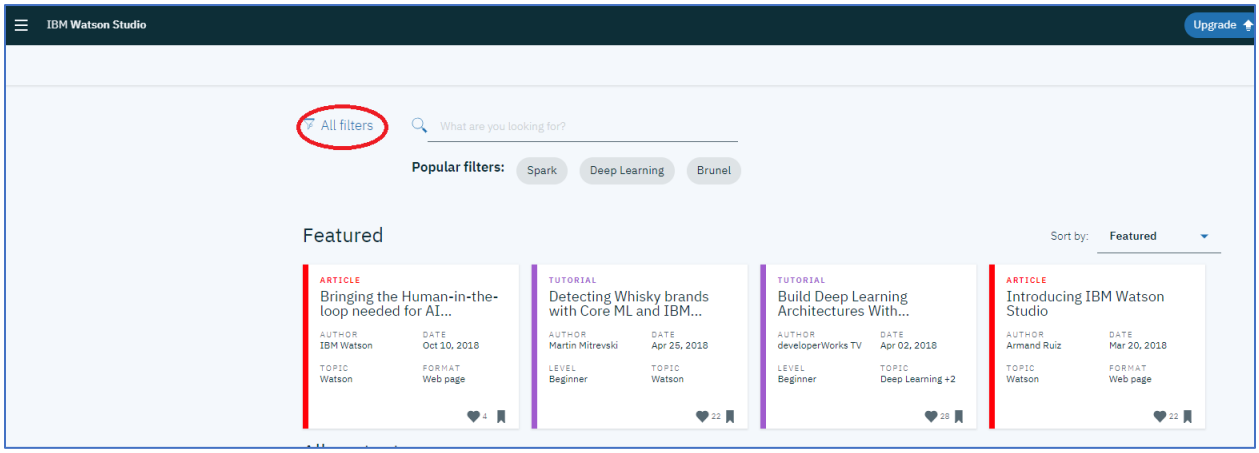


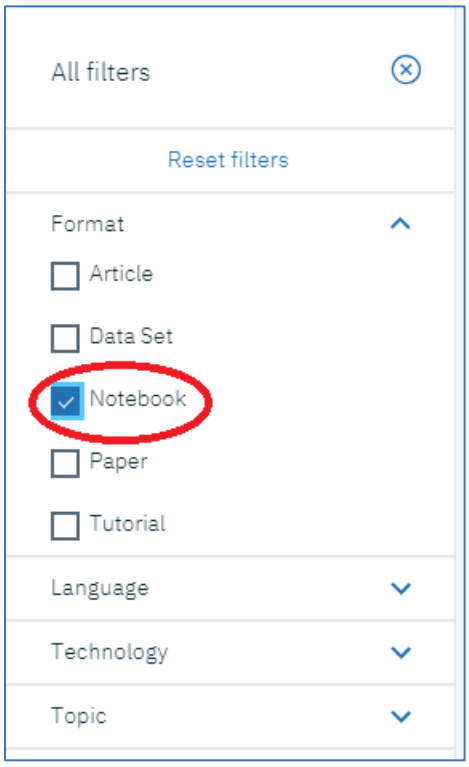
2. Click on **Community**.



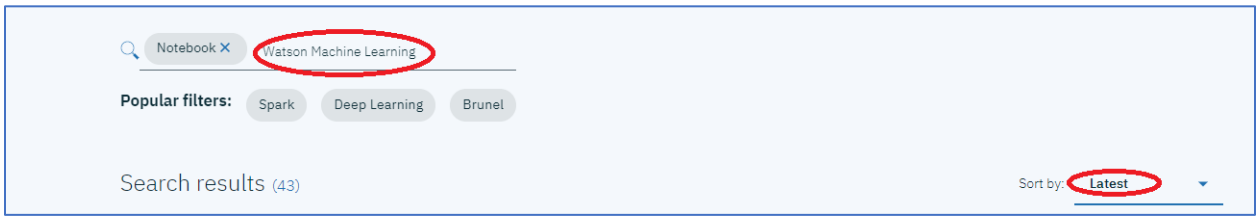
3. Click on **All filters**.



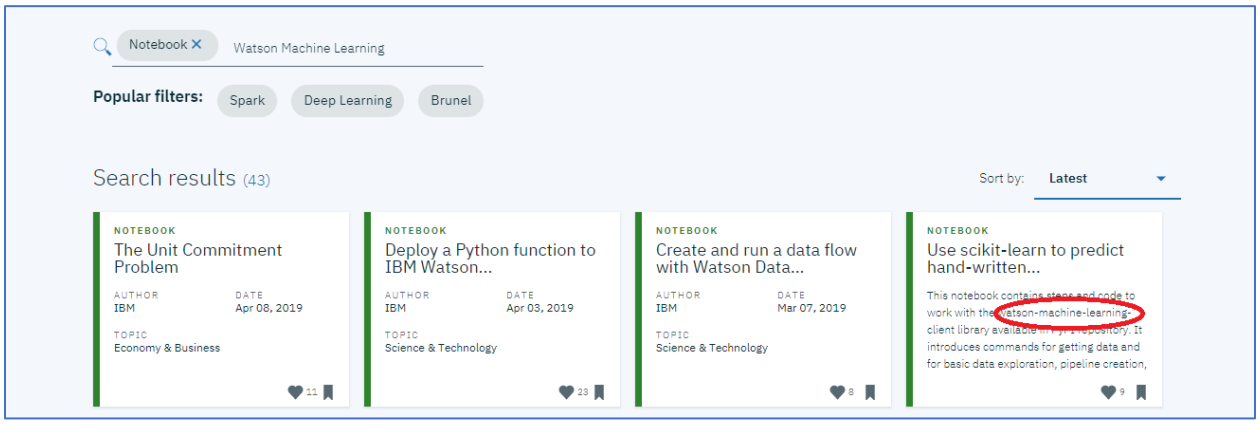
4. Click on **Notebook**.



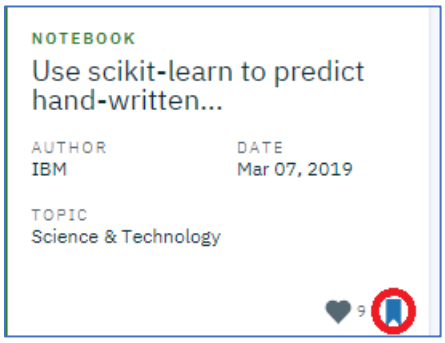
5. Enter **Watson Machine Learning** in the **Search** area. Click on the **Sort by** dropdown and change it to **Latest** to get the most up-to-date information.



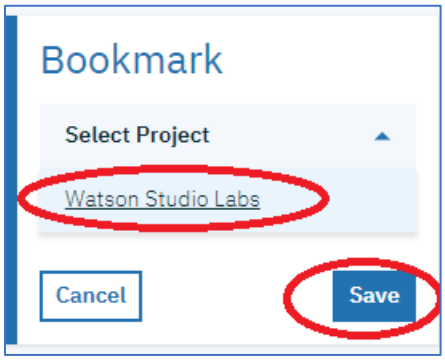
6. The Community view is updated. One of the notebooks has descriptive text referring to the Watson Machine Learning api. This notebook appears to be a good candidate for having code demonstrating the use of the Watson Machine Learning api. Let's bookmark the notebook in the project.



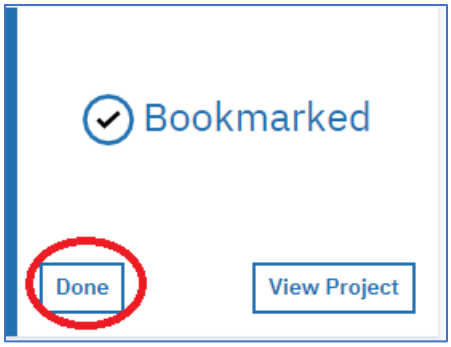
7. Click on the bookmark icon.



8. Click on the **Watson Studio Labs** project and click **Save**.

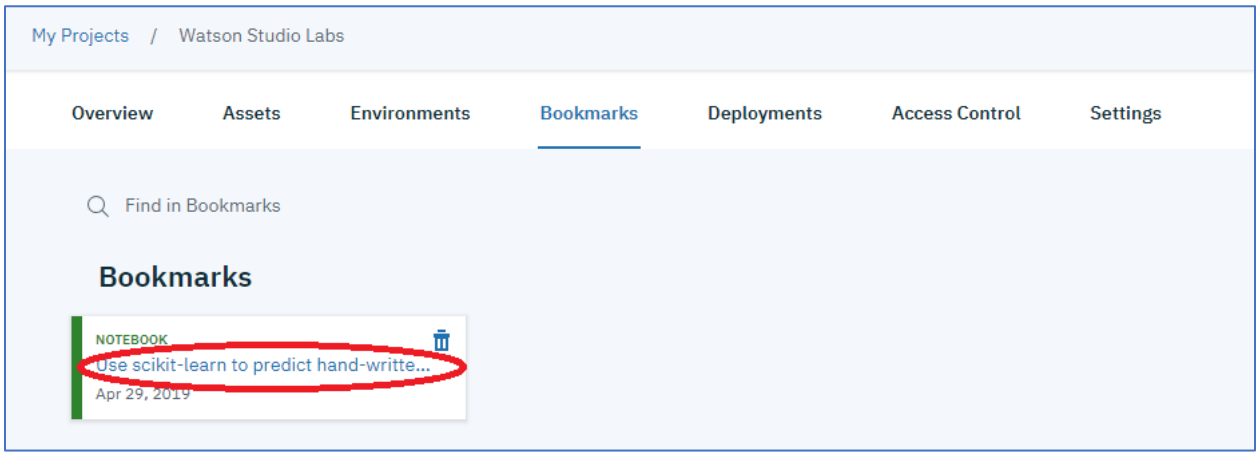


9. Click on **Done**.



10. Close the Watson Studio tab corresponding to the **Community**. Click on the **Bookmark** tab.

11. Click on the notebook.



12. Scroll to Section 4 to see the information on Watson Machine Learning apis.

4. Save, load, and delete a model in the WML repository

In this section, you will learn how to use the `watson-machine-learning-client` package to manage your model in the WML repository.

- 4.1 Set up the WML instance
- 4.2 Save the model in the WML repository
- 4.3 Load a model from the WML repository
- 4.4 Delete a model from the WML repository

Tip: You can find more information about the watson-machine-learning-client here.

4.1 Set up the WML instance

First, import required modules.

In [ ]:
```
from watson_machine_learning_client import WatsonMachineLearningAPIClient
```

Note: A deprecation warning is returned from scikit-learn package that does not impact watson machine learning client functionalities. Authenticate to the Watson Machine Learning service on the IBM Cloud.

Tip: Authentication information (your credentials) can be found in the Service credentials tab of the service instance that you created on the IBM Cloud. If you cannot find the **instance_id** field in **Service Credentials**, click **New credential (+)** to generate new authentication information.

Action: Enter your Watson Machine Learning service instance credentials here.

In [19]:
```
wml_credentials={
  'url': 'https://ibm-watson-ml.mybluemix.net',
  'access_key': '****',
  'username': '****',
  'password': '****',
  'instance_id': '****'
}
```

Instantiate the WML API client object.

In [21]:
```
client = WatsonMachineLearningAPIClient(wml_credentials)
```