

Placement Empowerment Program

Cloud Computing and DevOps Centre

Use Cloud CLI Tools Install the CLI for your cloud provider (e.g., AWS CLI). Use it to list resources, upload files to storage, and manage VMs.

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Introduction and Overview

Cloud CLI tools, such as AWS CLI, allow users to interact with cloud services directly from the terminal, enabling automation and efficient resource management. This task involves installing the AWS CLI, configuring it with AWS credentials, and using it to perform basic operations like listing resources, uploading files to S3, and managing EC2 instances. CLI tools offer a faster and scriptable alternative to the AWS Management Console, improving productivity. By completing this task, you 'll gain hands-on experience in cloud automation and resource control using command-line commands.

Objective

The goal of this project is to:

1. Learn Cloud CLI Basics – Install and configure AWS CLI to interact with cloud resources using command-line commands.
2. Manage Cloud Resources – Use AWS CLI to list cloud resources, upload files to S3, and manage EC2 instances efficiently.
3. Enhance Automation Skills – Gain hands-on experience in automating cloud tasks, improving efficiency over manual AWS Management Console operations.

Importance of Cloud CLI

Hands-on Learning & Efficiency – Cloud CLI provides direct interaction with cloud services, enabling faster and more efficient management compared to the web console.

Automation & Scripting – It allows users to automate repetitive tasks, such as resource provisioning and deployments, improving productivity.

Remote Cloud Management – With CLI tools, users can manage cloud resources from any terminal, making it ideal for DevOps, remote administration, and large-scale cloud operations.

Step-by-Step Overview

Step 1:

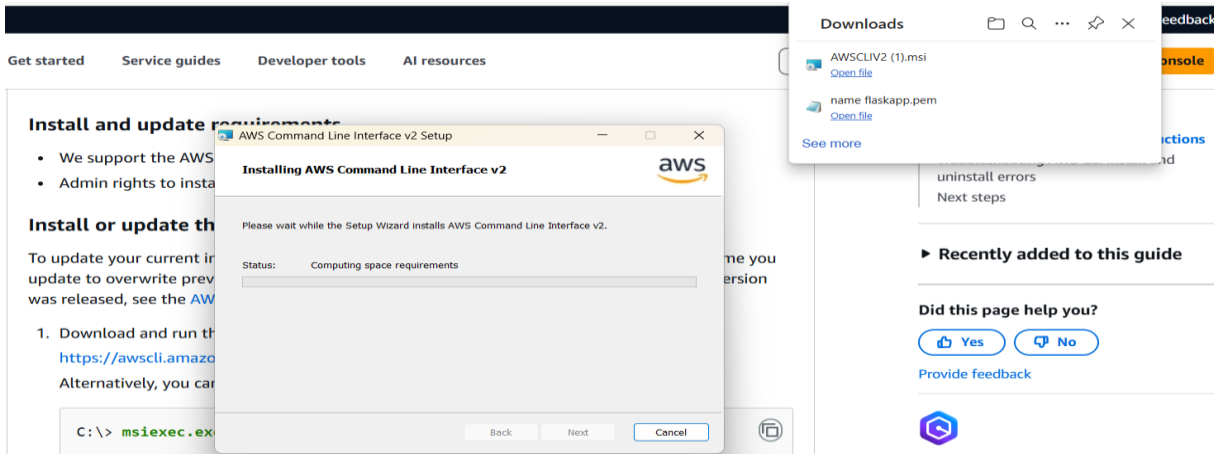
Search for "AWS CLI Installer for Windows" on Google and click the first link to access the official website.

The screenshot shows a Bing search results page for the query "aws cli installer for windows". The page displays approximately 5,190,000 results. The top result is from AWS Documentation, titled "Installing or updating to the latest version of the AWS CLI". Below this, there are links to "Uninstall The AWS CLI Version...", "AWS Command Line Interface", "Prerequisites to Use The AWS CLI...", and "Install the AWS CLI". To the right, there is a "Related searches" section with links like "download aws cli for window", "aws cli exe download", "aws cli commands cheat sheet", "aws cli zip download", "aws download cli", "install aws in windows", "aws download for windows", and "aws configure download". At the bottom, there is a "Videos of AWS CLI Installer For Windows" section with a video thumbnail titled "How to install and configure the AWS CLI on Windows 10".

Step 2:

Click on the "Install/Update" option located on the left-hand side of the Apache Lounge website. Select the link regarding your OS, Install by using the link provided else use the *msiexec* command

The screenshot shows the AWS Command Line Interface (CLI) User Guide for Version 2. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like "About the AWS CLI", "Get started", "Prerequisites", "Install/Update", "Past releases", "Build and install from source", "Amazon ECR Public/Docker", "Setup", "Configure the AWS CLI", "Authentication and access credentials", "Using the AWS CLI", "Code examples", "Security", "Troubleshoot errors", "Migration guide", "Uninstall", and "Document History". The main content area is titled "Windows" and "Install and update requirements". It lists two requirements: "We support the AWS CLI on Microsoft-supported versions of 64-bit Windows." and "Admin rights to install software". Below this, there is a section titled "Install or update the AWS CLI" which explains how to update the CLI and provides a link to the AWS CLI version 2 Changelog. It also lists the steps to download and run the AWS CLI MSI installer for Windows (64-bit), including a link to the AWS CLI version 2 Changelog on GitHub. The steps are: 1. Download and run the AWS CLI MSI installer for Windows (64-bit): <https://awscli.amazonaws.com/AWSCLIV2.msi>. Alternatively, you can run the `msiexec` command to run the MSI installer. A code block shows the command: `C:\> msiexec.exe /i https://awscli.amazonaws.com/AWSCLIV2.msi`. Below this, there is a section titled "For various parameters that can be used with `msiexec`, see [msiexec](#) on the Microsoft Docs website. For example, you can use the `/qn` flag for a silent installation." A code block shows the command: `C:\> msiexec.exe /i https://awscli.amazonaws.com/AWSCLIV2.msi /qn`. On the right side, there is a "On this page" section with a link to "AWS CLI install and update instructions", a "Recently added to this guide" section, and a "Did this page help you?" section with "Yes" and "No" buttons and a "Provide feedback" link.



Step 3:

Once installed, verify the installation by opening Command Prompt (cmd) or PowerShell and running **aws --version**

```
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws --version
aws-cli/2.23.8 Python/3.12.6 Windows/11 exe/AMD64
```

It should return something like

aws-cli/2.x.x Python/3.x.x Windows/x86_64

Step 4:

Before using AWS CLI, you need to configure it with your AWS credentials.

Open Command Prompt and type **aws configure**

It will ask for:

AWS Access Key ID → Get it from AWS IAM > Security Credentials

AWS Secret Access Key → Get it from AWS IAM > Security Credentials

Default region name → Example: us-east-1 (Find yours in AWS Console)

Default output format → Keep it as json or press Enter for default

```
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aws-cli/2.23.8 Python/3.12.6 Windows/11 exe/AMD64
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws configure
AWS Access Key ID [*****WU6K]: |
```

The screenshot shows the AWS IAM console interface. At the top, a green banner states 'Access key created' with a warning: 'This is the only time that the secret access key can be viewed or downloaded. You cannot recover it later. However, you can create a new access key any time.' Below this, the 'Retrieve access key' page is displayed. It includes a sidebar with 'Step 1: Alternatives to root user access keys' and 'Step 2: Retrieve access key' (the current step). The main content area shows the 'Access key' section with a warning: 'If you lose or forget your secret access key, you cannot retrieve it. Instead, create a new access key and make the old key inactive.' It displays the 'Access key' as a blue box and the 'Secret access key' as a masked string with a 'Show' button. Below this is the 'Access key best practices' section with a list of guidelines: 'Never store your access key in plain text, in a code repository, or in code.', 'Disable or delete access key when no longer needed.', 'Enable least-privilege permissions.', and 'Rotate access keys regularly.' At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'Download .csv file' and 'Done'.

Step 5:

To see all storage buckets, Type **aws s3 ls** in cmd

To check running EC2 instances **aws ec2 describe-instances** in cmd

```
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws s3 ls
2025-01-28 22:49:31 my-storage-bucket-abc
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> |
```

```

PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws ec2 describe-instances
{
  "Reservations": [
    {
      "ReservationId": "r-0e5c8403c37eb7d9e",
      "OwnerId": "58508058359",
      "Groups": [],
      "Instances": [
        {
          "Architecture": "x86_64",
          "BlockDeviceMappings": [
            {
              "DeviceName": "/dev/sda1",
              "EbsOptimized": false,
              "EnaSupport": true,
              "Hypervisor": "xen",
              "NetworkInterfaces": [],
              "RootDeviceName": "/dev/sda1",
              "RootDeviceType": "ebs",
              "SecurityGroups": [],
              "StateReason": {
                "Code": "Client.UserInitiatedShutdown",
                "Message": "Client.UserInitiatedShutdown: User initiated shutdown"
              },
              "Tags": [
                {
                  "Key": "Name",
                  "Value": "task14"
                }
              ],
              "VirtualizationType": "hvm",

```

Step 6:

Create an S3 Bucket by typing **aws s3 mb s3://your-unique-bucket-name** in cmd

```

PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws s3 mb s3://my-storage-bucket-def
make_bucket: my-storage-bucket-def
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> |

```

Upload a file to S3 Bucket by typing **aws s3 cp yourfile.txt s3://your-unique-bucket-name/** in cmd

```

PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws s3 cp "C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET\Downloads\lambda.txt" s3://my-storage-bucket-def
upload: Downloads\lambda.txt to s3://my-storage-bucket-def/lambda.txt
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> |

```

Amazon S3

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Account snapshot - updated every 24 hours All AWS Regions
Storage lens provides visibility into storage usage and activity trends. Metrics don't include directory buckets. [Learn more](#)

[View Storage Lens dashboard](#)

General purpose buckets Directory buckets

General purpose buckets (2) Info All AWS Regions
Buckets are containers for data stored in S3.

Find buckets by name

Name	AWS Region	IAM Access Analyzer	Creation date
my-storage-bucket-abc	Asia Pacific (Mumbai) ap-south-1	View analyzer for ap-south-1	January 28, 2025, 22:41:11 (UTC+05:30)
my-storage-bucket-def	Asia Pacific (Mumbai) ap-south-1	View analyzer for ap-south-1	January 29, 2025, 18:23:23 (UTC+05:30)

CloudShell Feedback

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my-storage-bucket-def Info

Objects Properties Permissions Metrics Management Access Points

Objects (1) Copy S3 URI Copy URL Download Open Delete

Objects are the fundamental entities stored in Amazon S3. You can use [Amazon S3 inventory](#) to get a list of all objects in your bucket. [Learn more](#)

Find objects by prefix

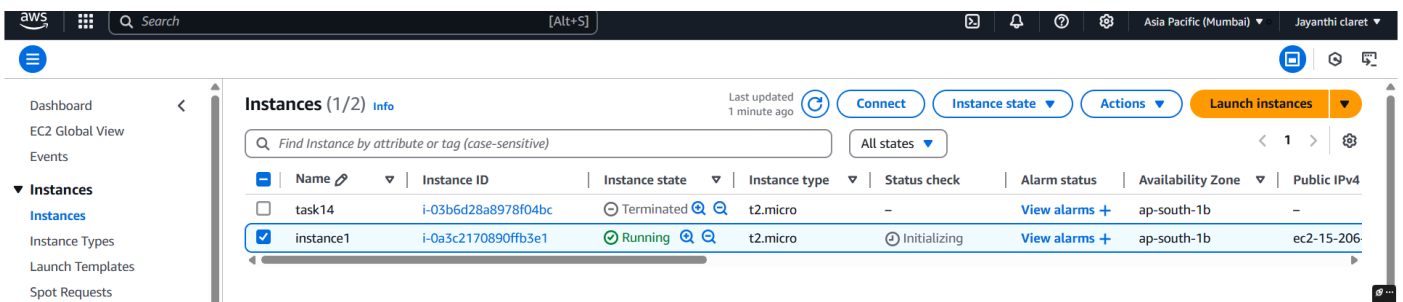
Name	Type	Last modified	Size
lambda.txt	txt	January 29, 2025, 18:25:47 (UTC+05:30)	

Step 7:

To Start an EC2 Instance, Type **aws ec2 start-instances --instance-ids <INSTANCE_ID>** in cmd

Replace <INSTANCE_ID> with your actual instance ID

```
PS C:\Users\SUGANTHI CLARET> aws ec2 start-instances --instance-ids i-0a3c2170890ffb3e1
{
  "StartingInstances": [
    {
      "InstanceId": "i-0a3c2170890ffb3e1",
      "CurrentState": {
        "Code": 0,
        "Name": "pending"
      },
      "PreviousState": {
        "Code": 80,
        "Name": "stopped"
      }
    }
  ]
}
```



	Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone	Public IPv4
<input type="checkbox"/>	task14	i-03b6d28a8978f04bc	Terminated	t2.micro	-	View alarms +	ap-south-1b	-
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	instance1	i-0a3c2170890ffb3e1	Running	t2.micro	Initializing	View alarms +	ap-south-1b	ec2-15-206

Expected Outcome

By completing this POC, you will:

1. **Successful Installation & Configuration** – AWS CLI will be installed and configured with the correct credentials, allowing seamless interaction with AWS services.
2. **Ability to List Cloud Resources** – You will be able to list AWS resources such as S3 buckets, EC2 instances, and IAM users using CLI commands.
3. **File Management in S3** – You will gain hands-on experience in uploading, downloading, and managing files in Amazon S3 using the CLI.
4. **EC2 Instance Control** – You will learn how to start, stop, and reboot EC2 instances from the command line, improving your cloud management skills.
5. **Improved Automation Skills** – By using CLI instead of the AWS Console, you will develop automation capabilities essential for DevOps and cloud computing.