Using AWS Educate For CSCE 676

This document is a quick guide on how to apply for an AWS Educate account, create a Hadoop/Spark cluster, create an S3 storage bucket and how to create a Jupyter notebook to run code against the created cluster.

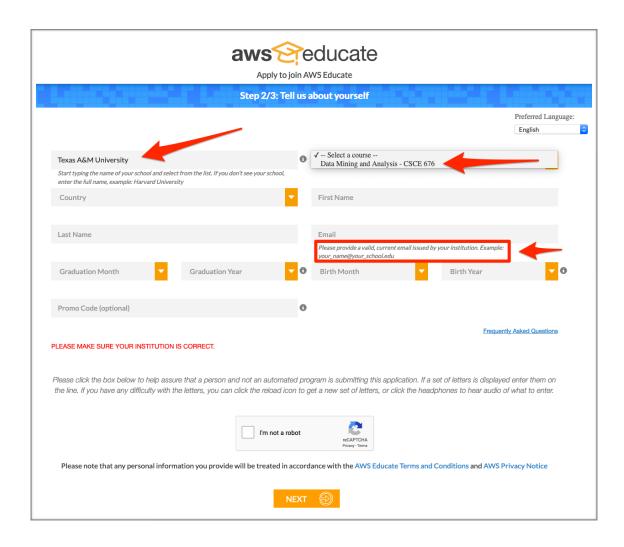
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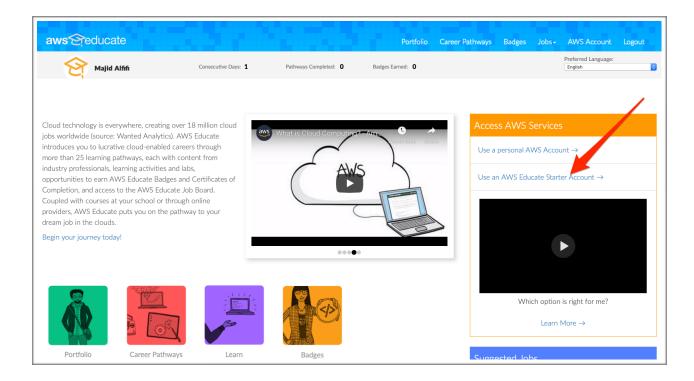
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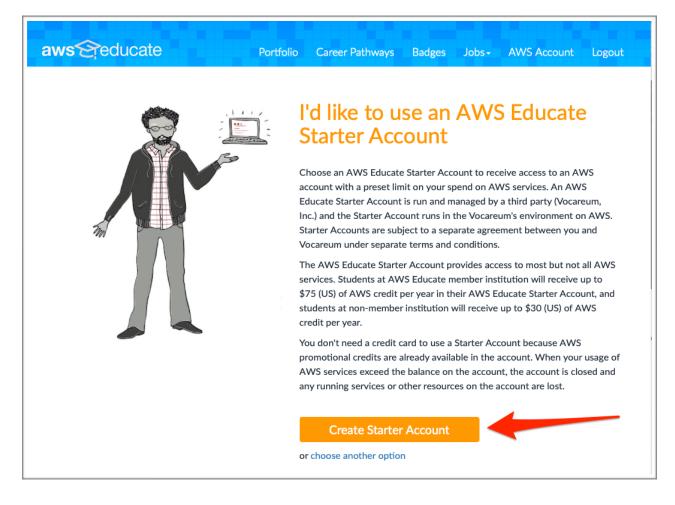
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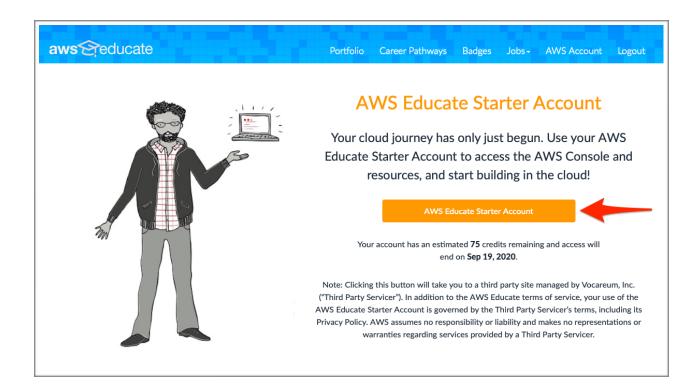
To apply to join AWS Educate, follow the URL given in class and choose "Texas A&M University "and "Data Mining and Analysis - CSCE 676" course from the corresponding dropdown menus as show below. Click on an email confirmation link that will be sent to you. Your application should be approved within an hour.



After your application gets approved, follow the link sent to you to set a password and to access your AWS Educate account. Once you have created your account and are able to access the starting page as shown below click on "Use an AWS Educate Starter Account" and then click "Create Starter Account"

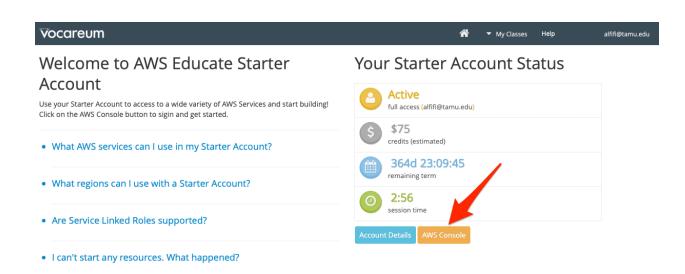






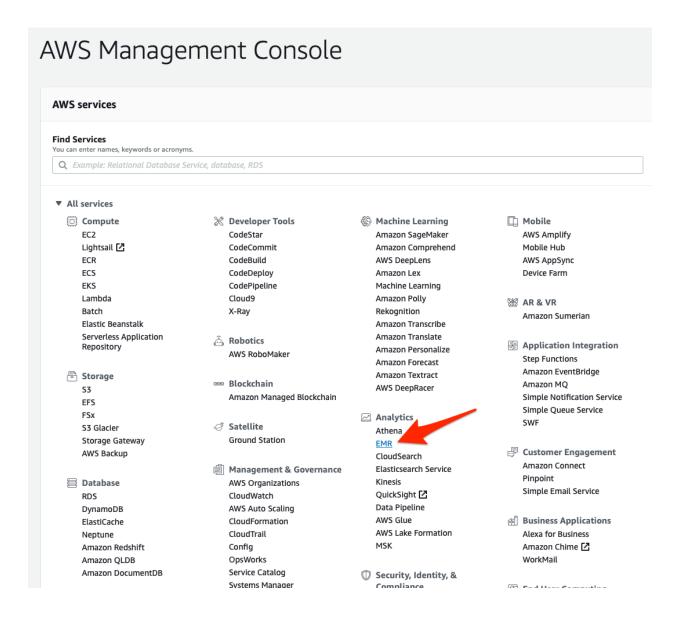
Clicking on "AWS Educate Starter Account" takes you to the following page which has the access to AWS Console! You can always access your account your email and the password you created above by visiting the following link:

https://www.awseducate.com/signin



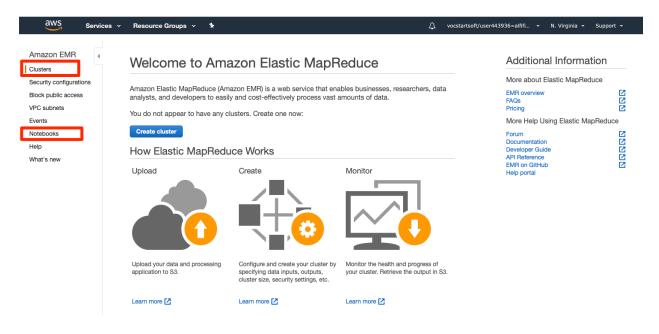
Creating A Hadoop/Spark Cluster

Click on "AWS Console" on the home page shown above. You may need to allow pop-ups for the AWS Console to open. On the AWS Management Console click on All services under "Find Services" and select EMR (Elastic MapReduce). You can also search for it in the search box.



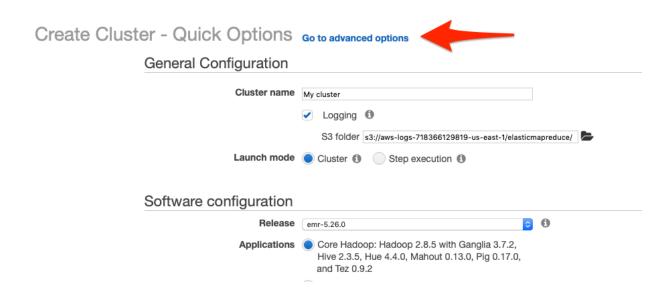
This will open the page below. Under EMR, we will be mainly working on two tabs:

- * Clusters where we will build the Hadoop/Spark cluster, and
- * Notebooks where we will create a Jupyter notebook to access the cluster and operate on it.



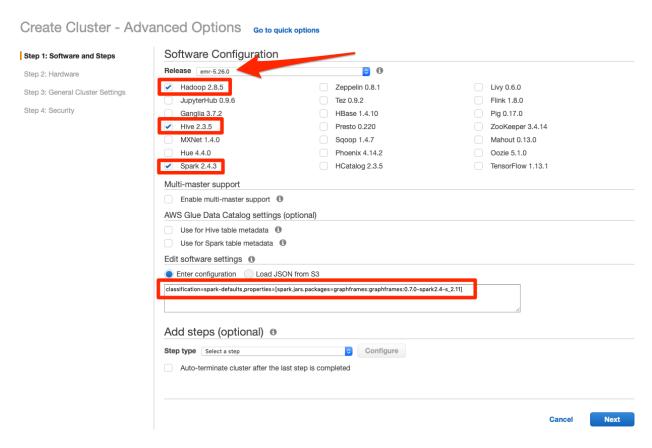
The steps to create a Hadoop/Spark cluster are as follows:

- 1. Click on the Create cluster button above.
- 2. Click on "Go to advanced options"



3. Chose the Hadoop, Hive, and Spark and also copy the following configuration line and paste it under "Edit software settings" a

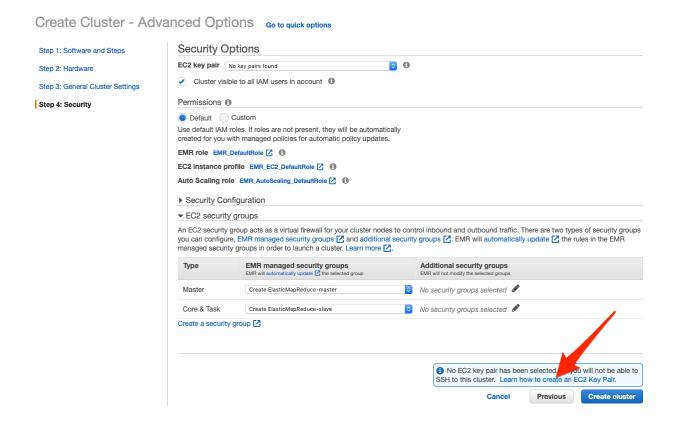
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- 4. On "Step 2: Hardware" you can use the defaults (1 master node m5.xlarge, and 2 data nodes m5.xlarge). Use these for experimentation and learning but when you are ready to run your code on a bigger dataset, then you can create more core nodes (e.g. 10 nodes) which will cost more of your credits.
- 5. On "Step 3: General Cluster Settings", use defaults.

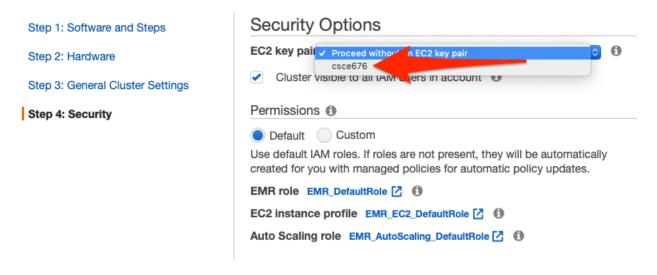
- 6. On "Step 4: Security". We need to do two things:
 - 1. Create an EC2 Key Pair, and
 - Allow SSH access.

To create an EC2 Key Pair, click on the link shown and follow instructions.



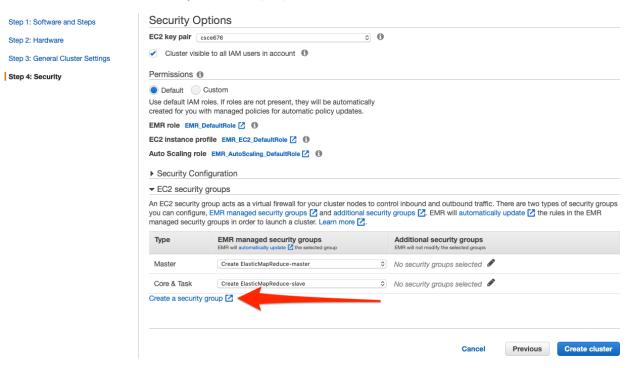
After you have created the key select it in the EC2 key pair dropdown list:

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To allow SSH access to your cluster click on "Create a security group".

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Select the "default" security group and choose edit inbound rules as shown below

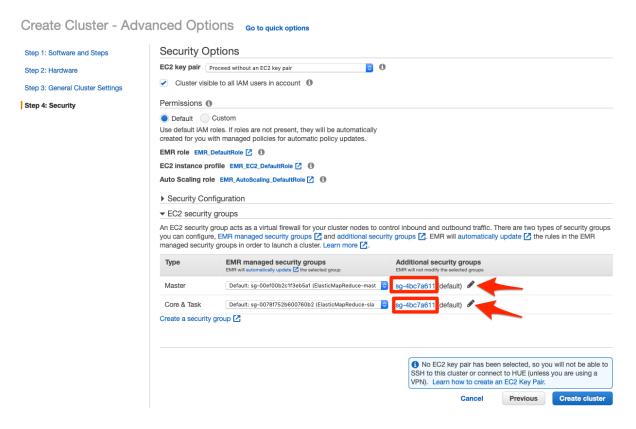


Then click "Edit Rules" -> "Add Rule" and type 22 in the Port Range and choose "Anywhere" for the Source. Click "Save rules"

Security Groups > Edit inbound rules Edit inbound rules Inbound rules control the incoming traffic that's allowed to reach the instance. Type (i) Protocol (i) Port Range (i) Source (i) Description (i) All traffic All All Custom ▼ sg-4bc7a611 e.g. SSH for Admin Desk. Anywhere ▼ Custom ... TCP 22 0.0.0.0/0. ::/0 e.g. SSH for Admin Desk... Add Rule

NOTE: Any edits made on existing rules will result in the edited rule being deleted and a new rule created with the new details. This will cause traffic that depends on that rule to be dropped for a very brief period of time until the new rule can be created.

Finally in "Step 4: Security" click on "Additional security groups" links and add the "default" security group you just edited

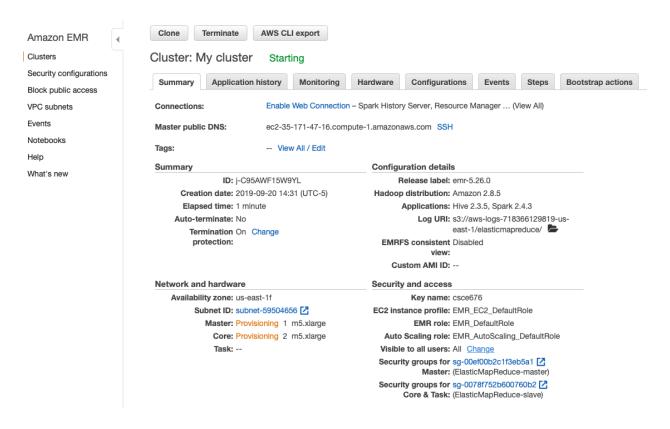


7. Now you are ready to click "Create cluster"

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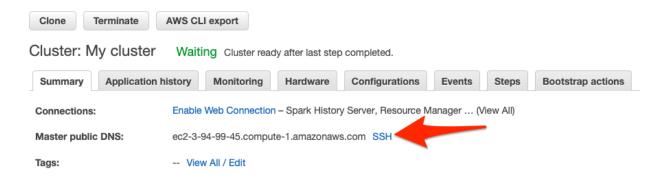
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The cluster will take few minutes to start.

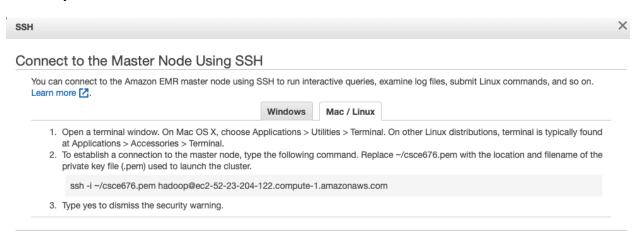


Accessing the Cluster with SSH

You can SSH to the master node (or any of the worker nodes if you allow SSH access) and run any unix commands you like, or investigate logs, and so on. To do so, click on the "SSH" link as shown below



This will open a window like the following that will show you the domain name of the master node so you can ssh to it



Close

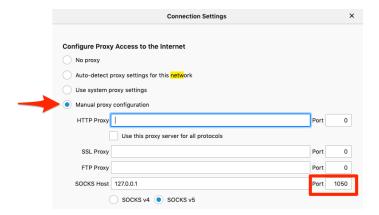
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ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256.JEn6SwAPYPp2E2:BBig9mrpleqWtv98wAdW1VqGGkQ.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'ec-2-9-94-9-9-45.compute-1.amazonaws.com,3.94.99.45' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts
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hadoop@ip=172=31=62=185 ~1$
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Accessing Hadoop/Spark Web Interfaces

Hadoop/Spark provide web interfaces to investigate their status and logs. There are couple of ways to access those interfaces but the easiest maybe to use SSH tunnel and SOCKS proxy.

The steps are as follows:

- 1. When connecting to the master node with SSH, us -D option as follows ssh -D 1050 ssh -D 1050 -i csce676.pem hadoop@ec2-34-239-180-133.compute-1.amazonaws.com
- 2. In your browser, forward all traffic through this port (1050) which makes your browser work as though it was running on the remote Amazon server. I use Firefox for this purpose because it's easy to setup SOCKs and I have this browser dedicated for my cluster work. In Firefox, set the connection settings as follows:



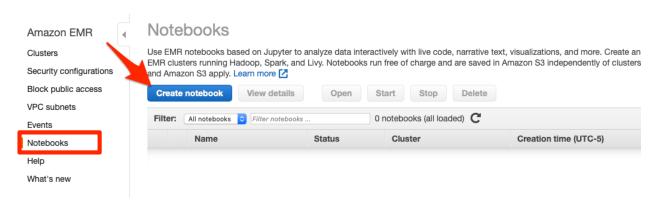
3. Find out the IP of the master node and use it to access the web interfaces shown in the table below. (Hint: you can find the ip after you login in the prompt name. For example, [hadoop@ip-172-31-62-185] \$

Name of interface	URI
YARN ResourceManager	http://master-ip:8088/
Hadoop HDFS NameNode	http://master-ip:50070/
Spark HistoryServer	http://master-ip:18080/

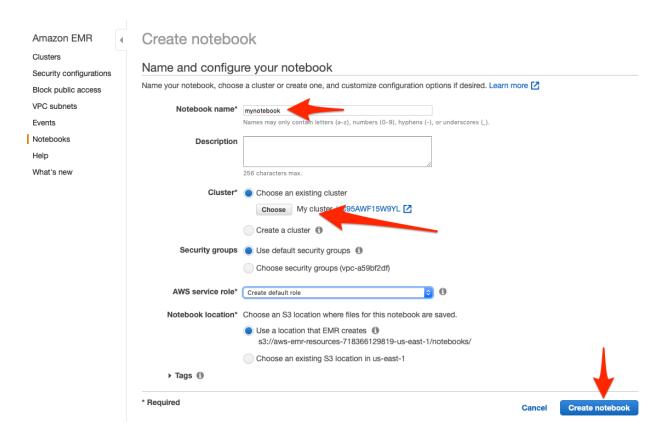
Note: if you want to consider other ways to access the web interfaces and for a longer list of interfaces, consult the <u>AWS documentation</u>.

Accessing the cluster with a Jupyter Notebook

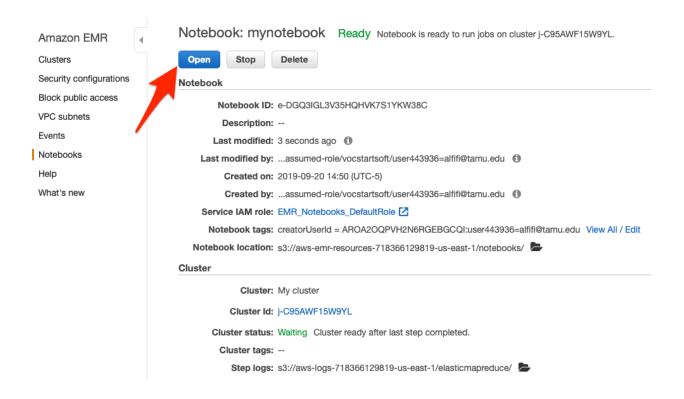
Click on the Notebooks Tab and then click on the "Create a notebook" button:



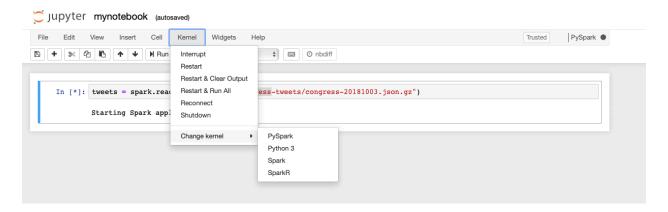
Choose a name for your notebook and choose the cluster you created in the previous step as the cluster associated with this notebook. Finally click "create notebook".



Note: your notebook will be saved in S3 and you will always find it there. However, you should create a cluster only when you need to work on your notebook and then terminate the cluster immediately after you are done to avoid wasting credits on an unused cluster. You can stop the notebook and leave it there for your next time to continue working where you left.



After opening the notebook, choose PySpark Kernel and you are now ready to run Spark code against your cluster!

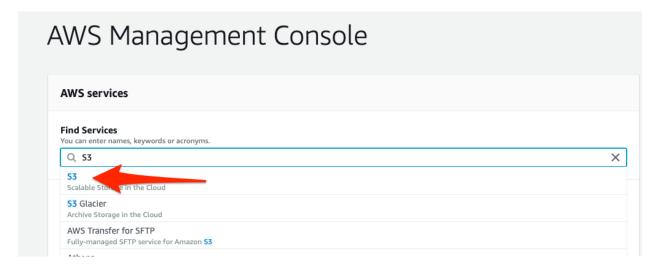


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In [1]: tweets = spark.read.json("s3://us-congress-tweets/congress-20181003.json.gz")
               ▶ Spark Job Progress
            Starting Spark application
                             YARN Application ID Kind State Spark UI Driver log Current session?
              0 application_1569008117578_0001 pyspark idle
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            SparkSession available as 'spark'.
In [3]: tweets.select("user.screen_name", "text").show()
               ▶ Spark Job Progress
                                                             text|
                   screen_name
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               chriswyoillini @charliekirk11 Pl...
                  michele5411 ... she'll vote t...
aneesajv RT @SenatorDurbin...
               AcidRayneStorm RT @Johnoco656060...
              Jmooretrumpgirl @lisamurkowski @S...
AzLakeHouse RT @ChuckGrassley...
                   Srk1951mn RT @RonWyden: Evi...
jannsloan RT @CheriJacobus:...
burcham_don RT @TODAYshow: "D...
               EhHannah @Keith1156 @canda...
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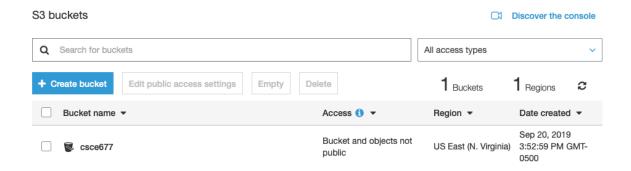
You will find a sample notebook in Piazza Resources to get you started.

Creating An S3 Bucket

To avoid losing data when destroying a cluster, you can store your results in S3 but to do so you need to first create a bucket. To do that you go back to the AWS Management Console and this time choose S3 service rather than EMR. This is to store output of your operations. The Jupyter file itself will be stored by default in S3 without creating a specific bucket for it.



Click "Create bucket" and follow the steps. You can use defaults for all steps. You should then have a bucket like the following:



You can now store your data produced in the Jupyter notebook to this bucket which will survive cluster terminations. For example, in PySpark you could extract tweet ids and store them in S3 as follows:

```
tweets.select("id").write.csv("s3://mybucket/mytweets")
```

You could also write the output to the cluster HDFS as follows but keep in mind these will be deleted with you terminate the cluster:

```
tweets.select("id").write.csv("hdfs://mybucket/mytweets")
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Warning! Be a Terminator!

You should create a cluster before starting your work and terminate it immediately after you are done to avoid wasting credits. Your notebook will be save in S3 and next time you open the notebook there is an option to choose a new cluster to associate to the notebook.

