

Cloud Object Storage

Instead of using local file storage, large data storage in the cloud-based systems are commonly stored as “objects”. These objects (files) are organized into _____:

Public Cloud Providers	Private Cloud Solutions

Example: AWS

Amazon AWS S3 CreateBucket REST API	
https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_CreateBucket.html	
PUT / HTTP/1.1 Host: Bucket .s3.amazonaws.com x-amz-acl: ACL x-amz-grant-read: GrantRead : UserList x-amz-grant-write: GrantWrite : UserList x-amz-grant-full-control: GrantFullControl : UserList x-amz-grant-read-acp: GrantReadACP : UserList x-amz-grant-write-acp: GrantWriteACP : UserList [...]	
Bucket:	Name of the bucket. <i>[Required]</i>
ACL:	The canned Access Control to apply to the bucket. private public-read public-read-write authenticated-read
UserList:	You specify each grantee (user) as a type=value pair, where the type is one of the following: id – if the value specified is the canonical user ID of an AWS account uri – if you are granting permissions to a predefined group emailAddress – if the value specified is the email address of an AWS account Ex: <code>x-amz-grant-read: id="11112222333", id="444455556666"</code>
ACP:	x-amz-grant-read grants permission for the file itself; x-amz-grant-read-acp grants permissions for the access control policies.

+ Lots of Language-level Libraries

Private Cloud Solutions:

MinIO: https://docs.min.io/docs/python-client-api-reference.html#make_bucket
 OpenStack/Swift: <https://docs.openstack.org/api-ref/object-store/index.html?expanded=create-container-detail#create-container>

Adding files to storage are also HTTP endpoints:

Amazon AWS S3 PutObject REST API
https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/API/API_PutObject.html
PUT /Key HTTP/1.1 Host: Bucket .s3.amazonaws.com x-amz-tagging: Tagging x-amz-acl: ACL x-amz-grant-full-control: GrantFullControl : UserList x-amz-grant-read: GrantRead : UserList x-amz-grant-read-acp: GrantReadACP : UserList x-amz-grant-write-acp: GrantWriteACP : UserList [...]
Content-Length: ContentLength
Body

Q: Is there a directory structure similar to traditional file systems?

Cloud Object Storage in Python

Instead of using file storage on disk, object storage in the cloud provides us access to a file-system-like interface without the need for all programs to be running on the same computer!

Reading a file in Python:

18/local.py	
1	<code>f = open("settings.json", "r")</code>
2	<code>print(f.read())</code>

Reading Data from S3:

18/s3.py	
1	<code>import boto3</code>
2	<code>s3 = boto3.client('s3', [...])</code>
3	
4	<code># Reading data from S3:</code>
5	<code>obj = s3.get_object(Bucket="cs340", Key="session_data")</code>
6	<code>f = obj["Body"]</code>