

Billing Scripts and Third Party Tools

Scripts and third party tools can make managing dozens or hundreds of cloud accounts more manageable. Cost engineering and usage reporting tend to be the first tools to be implemented, but others quickly follow. A number of campuses have put together list of common tools here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dU4_LL3QMNNgmSd5yfwCji4Syk0v1W1wFPsvlxsg_sc/edit

University of Washington billing example

Two prong attack:

- Auto-tag resources
- Send an email notification to account manager with total spend and resource usage

More information can be found here: https://cloudmaven.github.io/documentation/aws_cost_notification_system.html