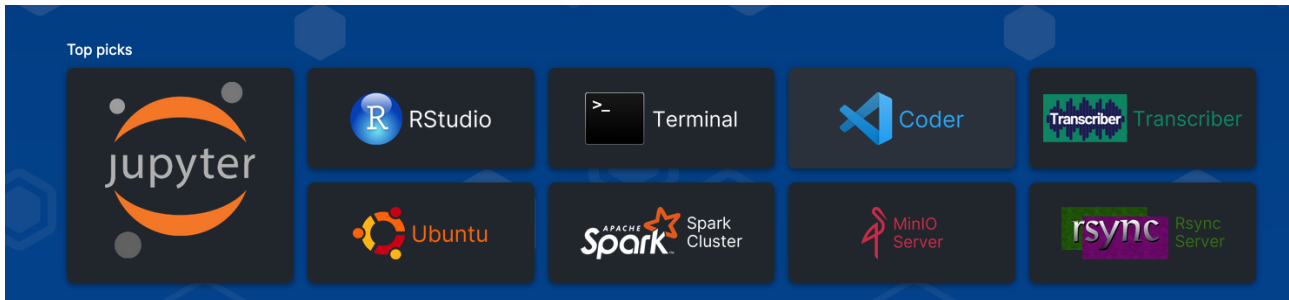# UCloud quick start ☺

Here are the main steps to go through when you want to start a Coder run.

1. make sure you have a folder ready

It might seem like a banal point, but the folders are the only way to get files like data and code in and out of your UCloud runs.

2. Go to Applications (the shopping bag in the side bar)

3. Select an app, I would recommend Coder

4. Setup your run

The most important settings are **Machine Type, Select Folders to Use, and Hours**.

For machine type, you will usually be fine picking either the u1-standard-h-4 or u1-standard-h-8. The bigger the number the more powerful the machine, but also more expensive.
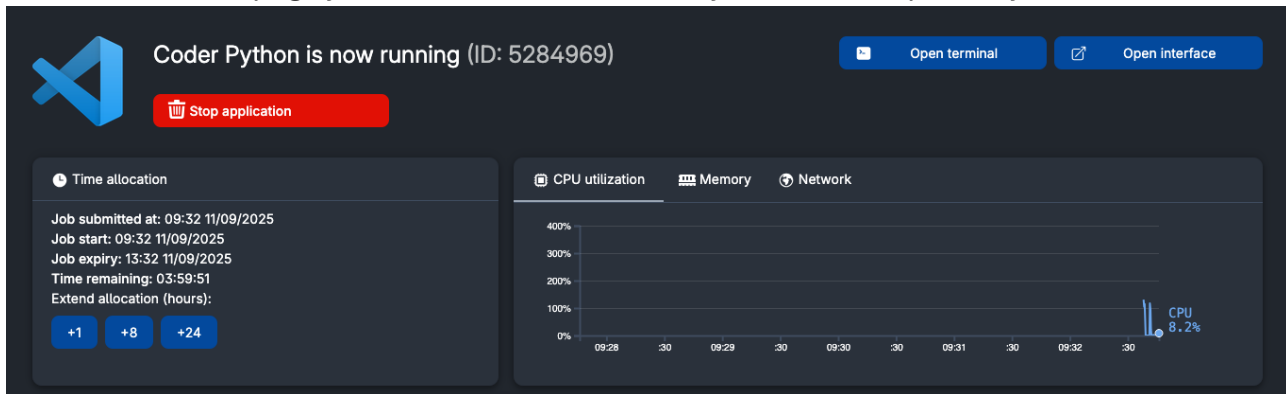
In Select Folder to Use, you pick the folder you created in Step 1.

For hours, put in the number of hours you estimate you will need. Your job will automatically expire after this set number. You can always extend a job or terminate it early, see step 6.

5. Click submit and wait for your run to start

6. Once your run has started, you can open it via Open Interface.

It is also from this page you can extend the hours of your run or stop it early.

You can find this page again by going to Jobs (the bottom icon in the side bar), and double-clicking the run you want to access from the list.