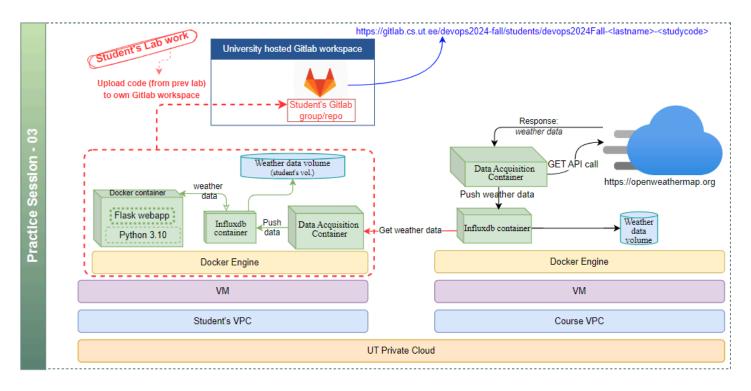
Practice Session 3: Git: Version Control System

Make sure that you have already gone through Lab-02

In this practice session, you will get familiar with the git version control system. You will use the Institute's GitLab environment. After this practice session, you should be able to

- create and manage the repository
- create and merge branches
- resolving merge conflicts
- Getting involved with other projects through forking the repo. creating merge requests, etc.
- you should be able to perform most of the above tasks through the command line interface

What are we going to do?



During this lab session, your tasks will involve familiarising yourself with fundamental Git commands up to Exercise 4. In Exercise 5, you will be required to create a GitLab project for the previous lab materials and subsequently push the corresponding code to the respective project as shown in the above Figure.

Pre-Requisites:

basic bash commands; ls, vim or vi, cat, mkdir, cd etc.

Please Note!!

We are performing this lab on the Linux terminal (bash) of controller VM.

Exercise 1: Creating first repository

Intro: In this exercise you will get familiar with the basic Git commands, including installation and configuration of git, creating repositories, cloning repositories etc. You will not use Github rather the GitLab environment provided by the institute.

1.1: Login Institute GitLab environment

In this practice session, we will not use GitHub. We will use the Institute-provided GitLab environment.

- 1. Go to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/
- 2. Login using University username and password

1.2: Connecting to your controller VM and check for git installation

- 1. SSH to your controller VM
- 2. Check for installation git --version
- 3. Install git if required.

1.3: Configure Git

1. To review the configuration setting at any time, issue the following command.

```
git config --list
```

- 2. For global settings you may use --global option, e.g. git config --global --list
- 3. Configure user information to be used for all the local repositories. Make sure you put your information in quotes " ".

```
o git config --global user.name "Your Name"
o git config --global user.email "your@email.id"
```

- 4. you can find the configuration file at ~/.gitconfig
 - To see the configuration file enter cat ~/.gitconfig

1.4: Create the first repo locally

- 1. Go to your home directory and make a prac03 folder: mkdir prac03
- 2. Go to prac03: cd prac03
- 3. Create a directory with the name firstrepo as your repository name.
 - o mkdir firstrepo
 o cd firstrepo

- 4. Initialize the git repo with
 - o git init command
 - o This will add a .git directory with some necessary information
 - You can go inside and check the directory

1.5: Status of the repository

1. This refers to the state of the working directory and the staging area. Enter the command git status inside firstrepo directory.

```
On branch master
No commits yet
nothing to commit (create/copy files and use "git add" to track)
```

DIY: learn by yourself the meaning of the above lines. You should be able to recall the concepts of branching, commit, and tracking/staging.

1.6: Staging the file

- 1. What is staging? Staging is an intermediate phase prior to committing a file to the repository with the git commit command.
- 2. Now you are inside firstrepo directory.
- 3. Let's first create two new empty files.
 - o touch LICENCE
 - o touch readme.md
- 4. Now if you enter the git status command, you should be able to see that two files are untracked.
- 5. Add the above files to git tracking system. This is also referred to as staging the files.
 - o git add LICENCE
 - \circ git add readme.md
- 6. Now check the status of your repo using the git status command and find the meaning of the output by yourself.
 - o git status

```
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master)±2 (0.031s)
git status
On branch master
No commits yet
Changes to be committed:
   (use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)
        new file: LICENCE
        new file: readme.md
```

1.7: Committing the files

- 1. Now you are inside firstrepo directory.
- 2. Let's make an initial commit and check the status. The -m option lets you give a short summary of this commit.

o git commit -m "Initial repo commit"

```
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master)±2 (0.076s)
git commit -m "Initial repo commit"

[master (root-commit) 46df414] Initial repo commit
  2 files changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
  create mode 100644 LICENCE
  create mode 100644 readme.md
```

- 1. Now again check the status with the git status command.
- 2. Modifying the Existing readme.md file
 - Open the readme.md file add "Git is cool.." line: echo "Git is cool.." >>
 readme.md
 - Enter git add command: git add .
 Here . (dot) at the end of the command represents everything in the current directory. In our case, the command will add only the readme.md file.
 - Commit the changes with git commit command. e.g. git commit -m "readme file updated."
- 3. Similarly, update the LICENCE file with the content available at https://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0.txt and make a commit.
- 4. To see the history of commits, issue git log command.

DIY: Find the answer: What information can be obtained from the output of git log command?

1.8: Find the difference between two changes

git diff command takes two inputs (e.g. hash of two commits) and reflects the differences between them. Make multiple changes and commits to the readme file.

- 1. Enter the git log command.
- Choose any two commit hashes, say <Commit-hash1> and <Commit-hash2>

DIY: Find the ans: how to interpret git diff command?

1.9: Pushing the changes to remote repo

So far all the changes are made locally. Now its time to push the code changes to your remote gitlab repousing the git push command.

- For this, we have already created the required group and sent you the invitation email. Please check your university email and find the invitation email with the subject "dehury invited you to join GitLab".
- The group name and path should be in the following format:
 - devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-<lastname>-<studyCode>
 - **e.g.** devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-dehury-xxxxxx
- You are invited to join the group as a "Maintainer". You are not authorized to access other students' groups.

Store your student info in a file using this command: echo "<your_lastname>-<your_studycode>" > ~/prac03/student info.txt

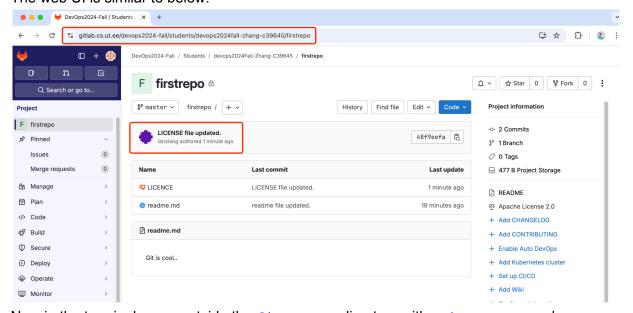
- 1. push the local repo to your remote gitlab account. You should replace dehury with your last name.
 - o git remote add master
 https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-dehury
 -xxxxxx/firstrepo
 - o git push master
- 2. The output is similar to below:

```
ubuntu@controller:~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master) (0.037s)
git remote add master https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master) (8.5s)
git push master
Username for 'https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee': lanxiang
Password for 'https://lanxiang@gitlab.cs.ut.ee':
warning: redirecting to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo.git/
Enumerating objects: 6, done.
Counting objects: 100% (6/6), done.
Delta compression using up to 2 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (4/4), done.
Writing objects: 100% (6/6), 475 bytes | 475.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 6 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
remote:
remote:
remote:
remote: The private project devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo was successfully created.
remote:
remote: To configure the remote, run: remote: git remote add origin https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo.git
remote:
remote: To view the project, visit:
remote:
               https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo
remote:
remote:
remote:
To https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo
```

3. To verify, go to your remote gitlab account at https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/ and see if it is present. The repository should be available at

https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-<your lastname>-<your study code>/firstrepo.

4. The web UI is similar to below:

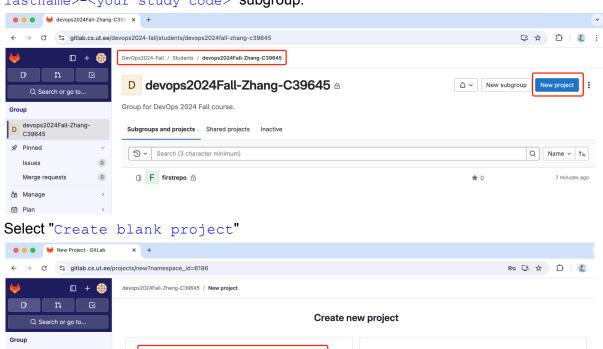


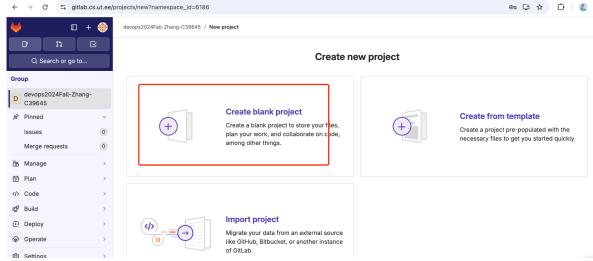
5. Now in the terminal come outside the firstrepo directory with cd .. command

AGS: At this point, Nagios will check if the firstrepo is pushed to gitlab.

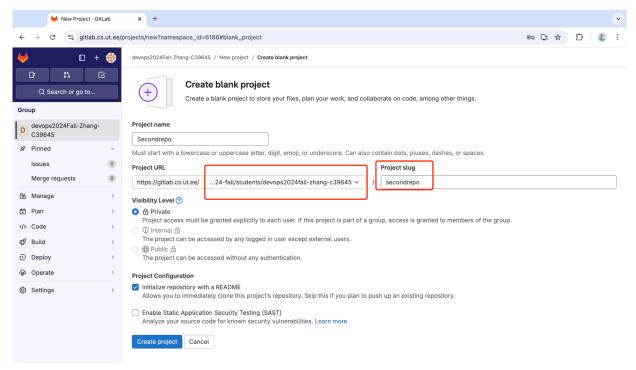
1.10: Clone a repo from your remote gitlab account

- 1. login to your gitlab account https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/
- 2. Create a new repo inside your group
 - Click on New Project button. Make sure you are inside
 https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall lastname>-<your study code> subgroup.





- Enter the project name as secondrepo in Project slug field and group should be your group name(ex: devops2024fall-zhang-c39645)
- Leave everything else to its default and click on Create project.



- 3. Now go to your git terminal and make sure you are **not** inside firstrepo directory.
 - o enter clone command: git clone <url of the second repo>
 - e.g. git clone
 https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-dehury-xxxxxx/secondrepo.git
 - You should replace dehury with your Gitlab username and xxxxxx with your study code.
 - Your terminal output is similar to below:

```
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03 (8.121s)
git clone https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-zhang-c39645/secondrepo.git
Cloning into 'secondrepo'...
Username for 'https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee': lanxiang
Password for 'https://lanxiang@gitlab.cs.ut.ee':
remote: Enumerating objects: 3, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (3/3), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (2/2), done.
remote: Total 3 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (3/3), done.
```

- o At this point, this may ask you for the university's username and password.
- Now you should see the secondrepo directory available in currect directory. Change the current directory to secondrepo directory, using cd secondrepo command.
- Here you can see the only default README.md file.

Exercise 2: Branches and Merging

Intro: Branching means you diverge from the main line of development and continue to do work without messing with that main line. The default branch name in Git is master. As you start making commits, you're given a master branch that points to the last commit you made. git init command creates a master branch by default and most people don't bother to change it.

We will use the firstrepo repository in this exercise.

Go to the Terminal, cd firstrepo. To recap: in the current directory, you have two files: readme.md and LICENSE.

2.1. Creating a New Branch

Create a new branch called branch-ex2 using git branch branch-ex2 command. This creates a new pointer to the same commit you're currently on. It is a good practice to use branches rather than the master branch. This allows you to not mess with the main code.

2.2. Listing branches

git branch <options> command allows you to list, create, or delete branches. List all the branches using the git branch command. Here you should see following two branches

\$ git branch

```
branch-ex2

* master
```

The * indicates the current branch.

2.3. Change the current branch

- 1. git checkout

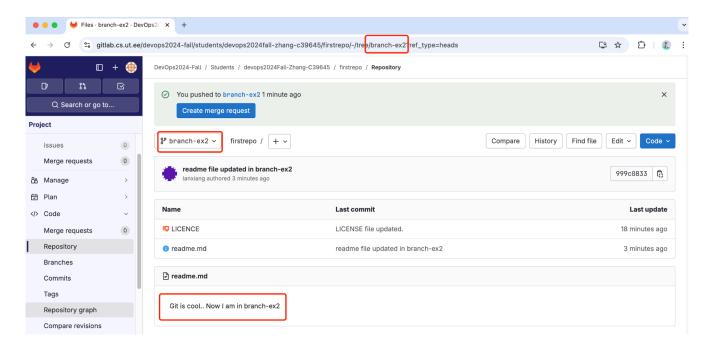
branch name> is used to switch to another branch. Let's switch to the newly created branch:
 - o git checkout branch-ex2
- 2. Now enter git branch command to see the current active branch. The output changes to following: \$ git branch

```
* branch-ex2 master
```

2.4. Modify new branch content

- 1. Now let's append a new line to the readme.md file.
 - o echo "Now I am in branch-ex2" >> readme.md
- 2. Stage the readme.md changes: git add readme.md
- 3. Commit the changes on this branch: git commit -m "readme file updated in branch-ex2"
- 4. Check the repository status using the git log command. Here, you should see that the commits are on branch-ex2.
- 5. Now check the content of the readme.md file. Here you should see the line saying Now I am in branch-ex2.
- 6. Using git push --set-upstream master command push all the changes of this branch to your remote gitlab account. Sample output given below:

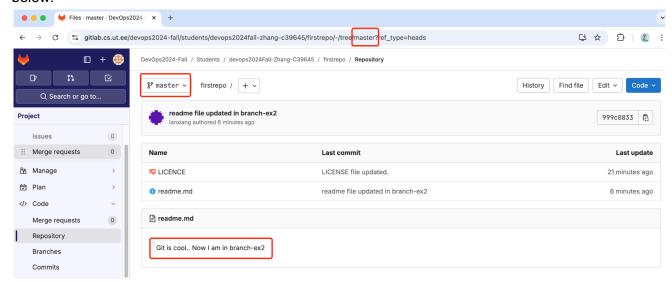
7. Using your browser, go to your remote Gitlab repo and check the update status. Sample output given below:



2.5. Merge the content of multiple branches

- 1. Here we will merge the content of the readme.md file from branch-ex2 to master branch using the git merge <source branch-name> command.
- 2. Lets first checkout the master branch: git checkout master
- 3. We are now in the master branch. Lets first verify if the line Now I am in branch-ex2 is present using cat readme.md command. As expected, that line should not be present in this branch.
- 4. Now issue git merge command: git merge branch-ex2 -m "merging readme file to master"
- 5. From the terminal push all the changes of this branch to your remote gitlab account. Sample output given below:

6. Using your browser, go to your remote Gitlab repo and check the update status. Sample output given below:



7. Now check the content of the readme.md file using cat readme.md. The changes from the branch-ex2 branch should be available in the current master branch.

2.6. Deleting a branch

- 1. Make sure that branch-ex2 and master is available using the git branch command.
- 2. Checkout the master branch: git checkout master
- 3. Delete the branch-ex2 branch using following command:
 - o git branch -d branch-ex2
- 4. Push all the changes to your remote gitlab account.

```
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master) (7.439s)
git push master master

Username for 'https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee': lanxiang
Password for 'https://lanxiang@gitlab.cs.ut.ee':
warning: redirecting to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo.git/
Everything up-to-date

ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master) (8.347s)
git push master --delete branch-ex2

Username for 'https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee': lanxiang
Password for 'https://lanxiang@gitlab.cs.ut.ee':
warning: redirecting to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo.git/
To https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo
- [deleted] branch-ex2
```

AGS: At this point, Nagios will check if the branch-ex2 is merged and deleted.

5. Question: what will happen if you are checked out at branch-ex2 while deleting branch-ex2? You will get the error similar to below:

```
$ git branch -d branch-ex2
```

```
error: Cannot delete branch 'branch-ex2' checked out at 'D:/firstrepo'
```

6. Question: what will happen, if the branch-ex2 is not fully merged with the master branch? You will get following error:

```
$ git branch -d master
```

```
error: The branch 'master' is not fully merged.

If you are sure you want to delete it, run 'git branch -D master'.
```

Exercise 3: Handling Merge Conflicts

Conflict arises when you may have made overlapping changes to a file, and Git cannot automatically merge the changes. In this exercise we will see how to handle the conflicts.

3.1. Update the readme file with some extra lines.

Lets append some new lines to the readme.md file. Make sure that you are inside firstrepo in your git terminal.

- 1. Append two new lines using following commands:
 - o echo "This line is added in master branch." >> readme.md
 o echo "This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch." >>
 readme.md
- 2. Stage the file: git add .
- 3. Commit the staged content: git commit -m "added some extra lines to readme file"
- 4. At this point the content of readme.md file should be:

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

This line is added in master branch.

This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

3.2. Create and checkout new branch

- 1. Lets first create a new branch called branch-ex3 using the git branch branch-ex3 command.
- 2. Switch to or checkout the new branch: git checkout branch-ex3
- 3. Open readme.md file and update the third line:

From: This line is added in master branch.

To: This line is MODIFIED in BRANCH-EX3 branch.

- 4. Stage and commit the changes:
 - o git add .
 - o git commit -m "readme file modified in branch-ex3"
- 5. Here, the content of the readme.md file should be:

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

This line is MODIFIED in BRANCH-EX3 branch.

This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

3.3. Checkout master branch and modify the readme.md file

Now lets again modify the same file in master branch:

- 1. First checkout master branch: git checkout master
- 2. Verify the content of the readme.md file. The content should be as below:

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

This line is added in master branch.

This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

3. Lets update again the third line of readme.md file.

From: This line is added in master branch.

To: This line is RE-MODIFIED in MASTER branch.

- 4. Stage and commit the changes
 - a. git add .
 - b. git commit -m "readme file re-modified in master"
- 5. Now the content of readme.md file should look like:

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

This line is RE-MODIFIED in MASTER branch.

This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

3.4. Merge to master branch

Now at this point we will merge the branch-ex3 branch to master branch.

- 1. Checkout master branch: git checkout master
- 2. Merge the branch-ex3 branch using git merge branch-ex3 command.
- 3. Here you will get following similar error:

```
Auto-merging readme.md

CONFLICT (content): Merge conflict in readme.md

Automatic merge failed; fix conflicts and then commit the result.
```

4. If you now see the content of readme.md file, this should look like:

```
$ cat readme.md
```

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

<<<<< HEAD

This line is RE-MODIFIED in MASTER branch.

======

This line is MODIFIED in BRANCH-EX3 branch.

>>>>>> branch-ex3
```

```
This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

- 5. The readme.md file now contains information to help you find the conflict. The line between <<<<< HEAD and ====== represents the line from the master branch and the line between ====== and >>>>>> branch-ex3 represents the line from branch-ex3 branch.
- 6. Lets remove the line from the master branch and keep the line from branch-ex3 branch. For this remove following lines from the readme.md file:

```
<><<< HEAD
This line is RE-MODIFIED in MASTER branch.
======
```

and

```
>>>>> branch-ex3
```

7. Now the readme.md file should look like:

```
Git is cool..

Now I am in branch-ex2

This line is MODIFIED in BRANCH-EX3 branch.

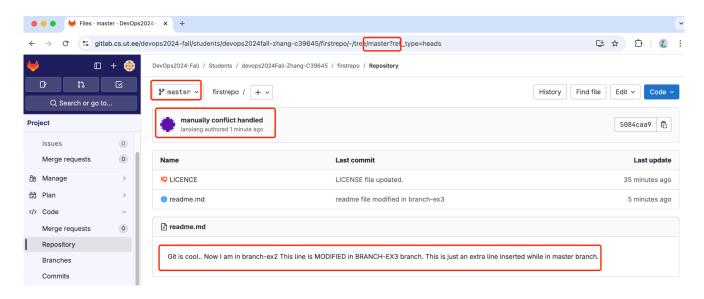
This is just an extra line inserted while in master branch.
```

- 8. Now Stage and commit the changes
 - a. git add .
 - b. git commit -m "manually conflict handled"
- 9. From the terminal push all the changes of this branch to your remote gitlab account. Sample output given below:

```
ubuntu@controller ~/prac03/firstrepo git:(master) (8.698s)
git push --set-upstream master

Username for 'https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee': lanxiang
Password for 'https://lanxiang@gitlab.cs.ut.ee':
warning: redirecting to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo.git/
Enumerating objects: 12, done.
Counting objects: 100% (12/12), done.
Delta compression using up to 2 threads
Compressing objects: 100% (10/10), done.
Writing objects: 100% (10/10), 1.18 KiB | 1.18 MiB/s, done.
Total 10 (delta 1), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
To https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024Fall-zhang-c39645/firstrepo
999c083..5084caa master -> master
Branch 'master' set up to track remote branch 'master' from 'master'.
```

10. Using your browser, go to your remote Gitlab repo and check the update status. Sample output given below:



AGS: At this point, Nagios will check if the branch-ex3 is merged into and conflicts are resolved.

Exercise 4: Forking and merging a branch

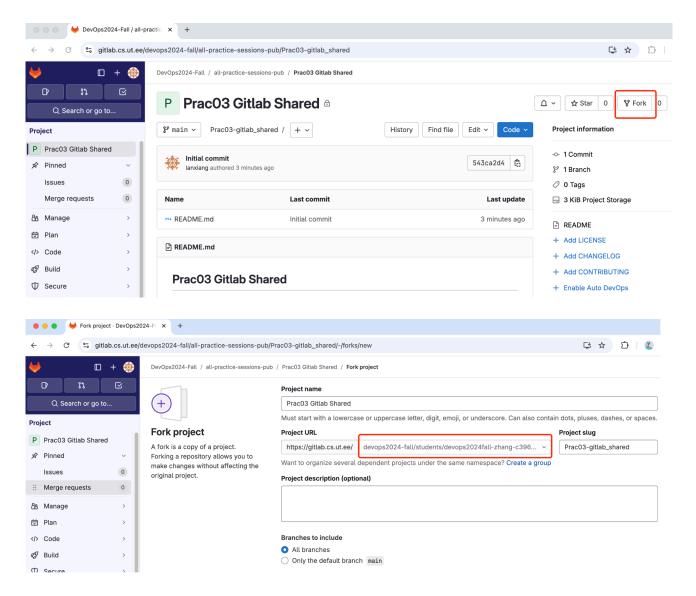
Intro: A fork is a copy of a repository. Forking a repository allows you to freely experiment with changes without affecting the original project.

In this exercise you are going to complete the following tasks:

- Forking the main repository
 (https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/all-practice-sessions/prac03-gitlab_shared) to your gitlab account.
- You will clone the forked repository and create a branch, modify it by adding your files and merge it with your forked repository.
- Finally, you will send merge request to owner of the main repository (https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/all-practice-sessions/prac03-gitlab_shared)

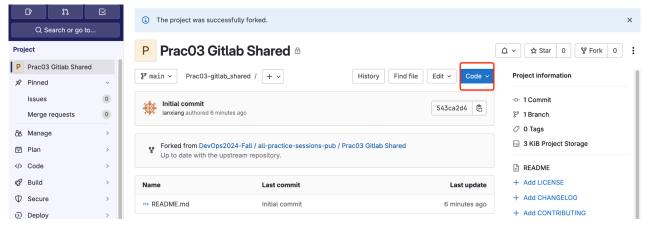
4.1. Forking a project

- Login to your remote GitLab account: https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee
- Go to https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/all-practice-sessions/prac03-gitlab_shared
- Fork this repository (GUI)



4.2. Clone your forked project, create and add your files and merging

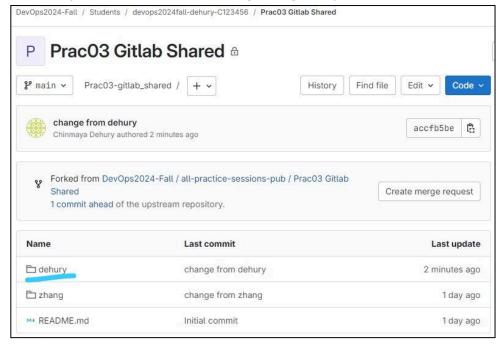
Clone that repository to your local prac03 folder using the git clone <ur>
 command. The url repository for cloning can be found here



 Make a new branch ex4-dehury using git branch ex4-dehury. You should replace dehury with your last name.

- Checkout the newly created ex4-dehury branch using git checkout ex4-dehury. Replace dehury with your last name.
- Create a directory: mkdir dehury && cd dehury. Replace dehury with your last name.
- Create a file hello.txt inside the dehury directory using the following command.
 echo "Helloooo, Its <your_last_name> speaking from DevOps course." > hello.txt
- Change to parent directory cd . .
- Stage parent directory git add .
- Commit the changes locally using git commit -m "change from <your__last_name>"
- See the list of existing remotes git remote
- Add a remote with the name main using the command git remote add main https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-xxxxxx-xxxxxx/Prac03-gitlab_shared.

 Replace devops2024fall-xxxxxx-xxxxxx with your group name
- Push the changes git push main
- Check out git checkout main and Merge the changes to your repository git merge ex4-dehury. Replace dehury with your name.
- Push the final changes git push main
- After this you should see the following changes in your repo

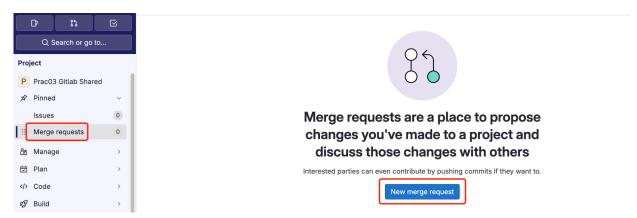


AGS: At this point, Nagios will check if the ex4-<student_lastname> branch exists and the hello.txt file has the expected content.

4.3. Sending merge request to owner of the main repository

Here, you can send a merge request in two ways: 1)Gitlab GUI 2) git cmd line interface

• Create a merge request using GUI, for this go to your gitlab project and create as shown below:



Make sure, you added the correct projects as shown below

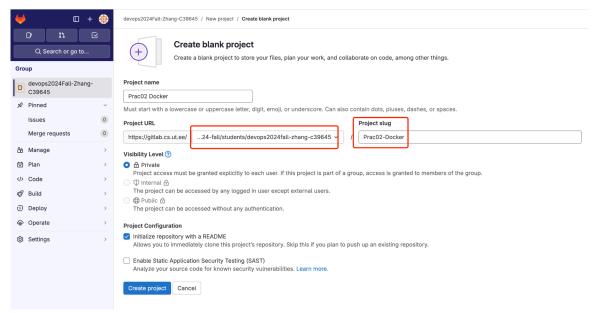


- Click on Compare branches and continue option.
- Leave everything to its default and click on "Create merge request" option.
- If everything goes well, PI and TAs will get a merge request notification.

Exercise 5: Uploading Lab02 content

In this exercise you will create a project and upload the content/materials of <u>Lab02</u>.

- Login to your remote GitLab account: https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee
- Create a project in your group with the name "Prac02-Docker"



- Clone the new project repository into your local prac03 folder using git clone https://gitlab.cs.ut.ee/devops2024-fall/students/devops2024fall-xxx-xxxxxx/Prac02-Docker.git

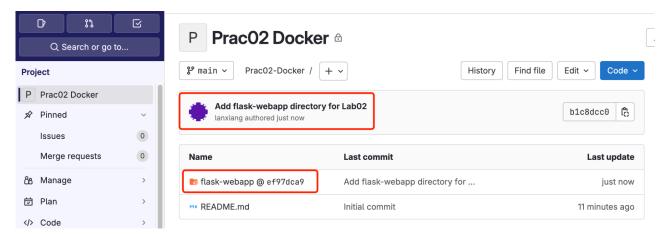
Replace devops2024fall-xxxxxx-xxxxxx with your group name.

- Navigate to the cloned repository: cd Prac02-Docker
- Copy the "flask-webapp" directory to the cloned repository: cp -r /home/ubuntu/flask-webapp .
- Create a .gitignore file inside Prac02-Docker directory with the following lines. This will tell git to ignore the file named "env.list" and others in the staging and commit process.

```
None
env.list
flask-webapp/flask-app/.env
venv
```

- Add, Commit, and Push the Changes: git add . git commit -m "Add flask-webapp directory for Lab02"

- Push the changes to the remote repository: git push origin main



AGS: At this point, Nagios will check if the Prac02-Docker project and the flask-webapp directory are correctly uploaded to the GitLab repository.

Deliverables

- Go to https://scoring.devops.cs.ut.ee/nagios/
- Find your host by your pseudonym
- Make sure that All the services are in OK state.
- UPDATE: Even if you see all OK (green color), still please keep your application running, if any.

Deadline: 2nd Oct 2024, 2 PM EET