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Passwords and Service Hints

This page contains password hints for various services used throughout the assignments. These hints are for reference only and should be updated as credentials change.

Service	Password Hint							
Bugzilla Admin	Default password set during deployment (check de-							
	ployment notes)							
MariaDB Root	Password specified in docker-compose environment							
	variables							
MariaDB Bugzilla	Password specified in docker-compose environment							
User	variables							
Overleaf Admin	Created via command line during setup							
DigitalOcean Droplet	SSH key authentication (root user)							
AWS Account	SSO credentials via Stevens portal							
GitHub	Personal access token for repository access							
Docker Hub	Optional - for private image repositories							

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Chapter 1

Linux Commands

This chapter is about understanding and executing Linux commands and some exercises.

1.1 Navigation & File Ops

- 1. Show your present working directory path only.
 - Input: pwd
 - Output: /Users/badrinarayanan/lx-test
- 2. List all entries in the current directory, one per line, including dotfiles.
 - Input: ls -A1
 - Output:

```
archive
blob.bin
cs.txt
link-to-file1
old.txt
people.csv
src
sys.log
tmp
words.txt
```

- 3. Copy src/file1.txt to tmp/ only if tmp exists; do it verbosely.
 - Input: [-d tmp] && cp -v src/file1.txt tmp/
 - Output: src/file1.txt -> tmp/file1.txt
- 4. Move old.txt into archive/ and keep its original timestamp.
 - Input: mv -v old.txt archive/
 - Output: old.txt -> archive/old.txt
- 5. Create a new empty file notes.md only if it doesn't already exist.

- Input: [! -e notes.md] && touch notes.md
- Output: notes.md file created in lx-test folder.
- 6. Show disk usage (human-readable) for the src directory only (not total FS).

• Input: du -sh src

• Output: 8.0K src

1.2 Viewing & Searching

- 1. Print line numbers while displaying sys.log.
 - Input: nl sys.log
 - Output:
 - 1 INFO boot ok
 - 2 WARN disk low
 - 3 ERROR fan fail
 - 4 INFO shutdown
- 2. Show only the lines in sys.log that contain ERROR (case-sensitive).
 - Input: grep 'ERROR' sys.log
 - Output: ERROR fan fail
- 3. Count how many distinct words appear in words.txt (case-insensitive).
 - Input: tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' < words.txt | uniq | wc -w
 - Output: 4
- 4. From words.txt, show lines that start with g or G.
 - Input: grep -E '^(g|G)' words.txt
 - Output:

Gamma

gamma

- 5. Display the first 2 lines of people.csv without using an editor.
 - Input: head -n 2 people.csv
 - Output:

id, name, dept

1,Ada,EE

- 6. Show the last 3 lines of sys.log and keep following if the file grows.
 - Input: tail -n 3 -f sys.log
 - Output:

WARN disk low

ERROR fan fail

INFO shutdown

1.3 Text Processing

- 1. From people.csv, print only the name column (2nd), excluding the header.
 - Input: awk -F',' 'NR>1 {print \$2}' people.csv
 - Output:

Ada

Linus

Grace

Dennis

- 2. Sort words.txt case-insensitively and remove duplicates.
 - Input: sort -f words.txt | uniq
 - Output:

alpha

beta

gamma

Gamma

- 3. Replace every three with 3 in all files under src/ in-place, creating .bak backups.
 - Input: find src -type f -exec sed -i.bak 's/three/3/g' {} +
 - Output: one two 3 four in file1.txt two 3 four five in file2.txt file1.txt.bak and file2.txt.bak created with original data.
- 4. Print the number of lines, words, and bytes for every *.txt file in src/.
 - Input: wc src/*.txt
 - Output:

```
1 4 15 src/file1.txt
```

1 4 16 src/file2.txt

2 8 31 total

1.4 Permissions & Ownership

- 1. Make tmp/ readable, writable, and searchable only by the owner.
 - Input: chmod 700 tmp
 - Output: directory permission changed.
- 2. Give group execute permission to src/lib recursively without touching others/owner bits.
 - Input: find src/lib -type d -exec chmod g+x {} +
 - Output: folder permissions changed.

- 3. Show the numeric (octal) permissions of src/file2.txt.
 - Input: stat -f '%Lp' src/file2.txt
 - Output: 644
- 4. Make notes.md append-only for the owner via file attributes (if supported).
 - Input: sudo chflags uchg notes.md
 - Output: file permissions changed

1.5 Links & Find

- 1. Verify whether link-to-file1 is a symlink and show its target path.
 - Input: readlink -f link-to-file1
 - Output: /Users/badrinarayanan/lx-test/src/file1.txt
- 2. Find all regular files under the current tree larger than 40 KiB.
 - Input: find . -type f -size +40k
 - Output: ./blob.bin
- 3. Find files modified in the last 10 minutes under tmp/ and print their sizes.
 - Input: find tmp -type f -mmin -10 -exec ls -lh {} + | awk '{print \$5, \$9}'
 - Output: 24B tmp/file1.txt

1.6 Processes & Job Control

- 1. Show your processes in a tree view.
 - Input: ps -ejh
 - Output: printed all the processes in a tree manner.
- 2. Start sleep 120 in the background and show its PID.
 - Input: sleep 120 & echo \$!
 - Output:

12425

12425

- 3. Send a TERM signal to all sleep processes owned by you (don't use kill -9).
 - Input: pkill -u \$(whoami) -x sleep
 - Output: [1] + terminated sleep 120
- 4. Show the top 5 processes by memory usage (one-shot, not interactive).
 - Input: ps aux | sort -nrk 4 | head -n 6
 - Output: top 5 processes shown.

1.7 Archiving & Compression

- 1. Create a gripped tar archive src.tgz from src/ with relative paths.
 - Input: tar czf src.tgz -C src .
 - Output: tar file created.
- 2. List the contents of src.tgz without extracting.
 - Input: tar tzf src.tgz
 - Output:

```
./
./file2.txt
./file1.txt
./file2.txt.bak
./lib/
./file1.txt.bak
```

- 3. Extract only file2.txt from src.tgz into tmp/.
 - Input: tar xzf src.tgz -C tmp file2.txt
 - Output: Extracted only file2.txt into tmp.

1.8 Networking & System Info

- 1. Show all listening TCP sockets with associated PIDs (no root assumptions).
 - Input: netstat -anp tcp | grep LISTEN
 - Output:

```
tcp6 0 0 *.51050 *.* LISTEN
tcp4 0 0 *.51050 *.* LISTEN
tcp6 0 0 *.5000 *.* LISTEN
tcp4 0 0 *.5000 *.* LISTEN
tcp6 0 0 *.7000 *.* LISTEN
tcp4 0 0 *.7000 *.* LISTEN
```

- 2. Print your default route (gateway) in a concise form.
 - Input: netstat -rn | grep '^default' | awk '{print \$2}'
 - Output:

```
10.0.0.1
fe80::12e1:77ff:fe1c:3e48fe80::fe80::fe80::fe80::
```

- 3. Display kernel name, release, and machine architecture.
 - Input: uname -srm
 - Output: Darwin 24.6.0 arm64

- 4. Show the last 5 successful logins (or last sessions) on the system.
 - Input: last -f head -n 5
 - Output:

badrinarayanan ttys000 Tue Sep 16 20:56 still logged in badrinarayanan console Tue Sep 16 11:55 still logged in

1.9 Package & Services (Debian/Ubuntu)

- 1. Show the installed version of package coreutils.
 - Input: brew list --versions coreutils
 - Output: lists the versions of coreutils installed.
- 2. Search available packages whose names contain ripgrep.
 - Input: brew search ripgrep
 - Output:

```
==> Formulae
ripgrep
ripgrep-all
==> Casks
ripme
```

- 3. Check whether service cron is active and print its status line only.
 - Input: ps aux | grep [c]ron
 - Output: no matches found: [c]ron

1.10 Bash & Scripting

- 1. Write a one-liner that loops over *.txt in src/ and prints: <filename>:<number of lines>:<number of words>.
 - Input: for f in src/*.txt; do echo "\$f:\$(wc -l < "\$f"):\$(wc -w < "\$f")"; done
 - Output:

```
src/file1.txt: 1: 4
src/file2.txt: 1: 4
```

- 2. Write a command that exports CSV rows where dept == "CS" to cs.txt (exclude header).
 - Input: awk -F', ''NR>1 && \$3=="CS"' people.csv > cs.txt
 - Output:

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- 2,Linus,CS 4,Dennis,CS
- 3. Create a variable X with value 42, print it, then remove it from the environment.

• Input: export X=42; echo \$X; unset X

• Output: 42

Chapter 2

Project Proposal – Group 14

2.1 Project Title

Automated Blog Deployment Pipeline

2.2 Project Description

This project will develop a simple, containerized blog application and automate its build, test, and deployment processes using two CI/CD tools: Jenkins and Github Actions. The application will be hosted on AWS EC2 using Docker. An operational dashboard, built with monitoring tools, like Grafana, Datadog or Dynatrace, for effectively monitoring of application health and logs.

2.3 Simple Tasks

- Develop the blog app using Node.js or Python
- Containerize the app using Docker
- Integrate source control with GitHub
- Setup CI/CD with Jenkins and Github Actions for code build, test, and deploy
- Host on AWS using Docker and ECS
- Design a dashboard for build and deployment status

2.4 DevSecOps Tools

- Programming Language: Python or Node.js
- Back-End Framework: Flask or Express
- Database: PostgreSQL or MongoDB
- Source Control: GitHub

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• CI/CD: Jenkins, Github Actions

• Deployment: Docker, AWS EC2, ECS

• Monitoring: Grafana or Datadog or Dynatrace or similar monitoring tool

Chapter 3

AWS Deployment

3.1 Overview

This chapter documents the deployment of the two-button color website to AWS using Docker and Amazon Elastic Container Registry (ECR). The deployment follows the steps outlined in Chapter 3 of the AWS guide.

3.2 Set Environment Variables

Edit these to match your setup (region, repo name, etc.):

```
# >>> EDIT THESE <
export AWS_REGION=us-east-1
export ECR_REPO=myapp
export IMAGE_TAG=v1
export CONTAINER_PORT=3000 # Port your app listens on

# Discover your AWS Account ID from your SSO session:
export AWS_ACCOUNT_ID="$(aws sts get-caller-identity --query Account --output text ---</pre>
```

3.3 Create (or Reuse) an ECR Repository

Idempotently create the repo in your chosen region:

```
aws ecr describe-repositories \
    --repository-names "$ECR_REPO" \
    --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile default >/dev/null 2>&1 || \
aws ecr create-repository \
    --repository-name "$ECR_REPO" \
    --image-scanning-configuration scanOnPush=true \
    --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile default
```

3.4 Authenticate Docker to ECR

Use the AWS CLI to obtain a short-lived registry token and log in Docker:

3.5 Build, Tag, and Push Your Local Image

Run these from the directory containing your Dockerfile:

```
# Build your local image
docker build --platform linux/amd64 -t "$ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG" .

# Tag it for ECR
docker tag "$ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG" \
    "$AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.$AWS_REGION.amazonaws.com/$ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG"

# Push to ECR
docker push "$AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.$AWS_REGION.amazonaws.com/$ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG"
```

3.6 Verify the Image in ECR

```
aws ecr describe-images \
   --repository-name "$ECR_REPO" \
   --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile default \
   --query 'imageDetails[].imageTags'
```

3.7 Quick Deploy with App Runner

Spin up a managed HTTPS service directly from your ECR image:

Set the following variables for your own configuration:

```
AWS_REGION=us-east-2
PROFILE=AdministratorAccess-539272219501
SERVICE_ARN=arn:aws:apprunner:us-east-2:539272219501:service/my-apprunner-app/04c50b9
   Test that the service status changes to running:
while true; do
  STATUS=$(aws apprunner describe-service \
    --service-arn "$SERVICE_ARN" \
    --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile "$PROFILE" \
    --query 'Service.Status' --output text)
  echo "Service status: $STATUS"
  case "$STATUS" in RUNNING|CREATE_FAILED|OPERATION_FAILED) break ;; esac
  sleep 4
done
   When status changes to running, get the service URL:
aws apprunner list-services \
  --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile default \
  --query "ServiceSummaryList[?ServiceName=='$APP_NAME'].ServiceUrl" --output text
```

3.8 Deployment Results

The application was successfully deployed to AWS App Runner. Screenshots of the deployed website are shown below.



Figure 3.1: AWS Image 1



Figure 3.2: AWS Image 2





Figure 3.3: AWS Image 3

Figure 3.4: AWS Image 4

3.9 Class-Based JavaScript Implementation

The website was updated to use a class-based approach for better code organization.





Figure 3.5: AWS Image 5

Figure 3.6: AWS Image 6

3.9.1 Updated HTML

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <title>Color Buttons App</title>
  <style>
   body {
     font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
     text-align: center;
     margin-top: 50px;
     transition: background-color 0.3s ease;
    }
    button {
     padding: 12px 24px;
     font-size: 18px;
     margin: 10px;
      cursor: pointer;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
 <h1>Click a Button to Change Background</h1>
 <button id="blueBtn">Blue
 <button id="redBtn">Red
 <script src="ColorChanger.js"></script>
 <script>
    const colorChanger = new ColorChanger();
    colorChanger.initialize();
  </script>
</body>
</html>
```

3.9.2 ColorChanger Class

```
class ColorChanger {
  constructor() {
    this.body = document.body;
```

```
}
  changeColor(color) {
    this.body.style.backgroundColor = color;
  }
  attachEventListeners() {
    document.getElementById("blueBtn").addEventListener("click", () => {
      this.changeColor("blue");
    });
    document.getElementById("redBtn").addEventListener("click", () => {
      this.changeColor("red");
    });
  }
  initialize() {
    this.attachEventListeners();
  }
}
```

3.9.3 UML Class Diagram

3.10 Latex Docker

This chapter demonstrates creating a Docker container to compile LATEX documents using TeX Live, replicating the functionality of Overleaf locally.

3.11 Project Structure

```
latex-docker/
Dockerfile
  sample.tex
  compile.sh
```

3.12 Sample LaTeX Document

Create a simple LATEX document to test compilation:

```
% sample.tex
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc}

\title{Docker LaTeX Test}
\author{Group 14}
\date{\today}

\begin{document}
\maketitle

\section{Introduction}
This document was compiled using Docker and TeX Live.
\section{Conclusion}
LaTeX compilation in Docker works successfully.
\end{document}
```

3.13 Dockerfile

Create the Dockerfile for the TeX Live environment:

```
FROM texlive/texlive:latest

WORKDIR /workspace

# Copy compilation script

COPY compile.sh /usr/local/bin/compile.sh

RUN chmod +x /usr/local/bin/compile.sh

# Set default command

CMD ["/bin/bash"]
```

3.14 Compilation Script

Create a helper script to compile LATEX files:

```
#!/bin/bash
# compile.sh

if [ -z "$1" ]; then
   echo "Usage: compile.sh <filename.tex>"
   exit 1
```

fi

```
pdflatex -interaction=nonstopmode "$1"
echo "Compilation complete: ${1%.tex}.pdf"
```

3.15 Build the Docker Image

Build the Docker image with TeX Live:

```
docker build -t latex-compiler .
```

3.16 Compile a LaTeX Document

Run the container to compile a LATEX file:

```
docker run --rm -v $(pwd):/workspace latex-compiler \
  compile.sh sample.tex
```

3.17 Alternative: Interactive Mode

For interactive compilation and debugging:

```
docker run -it --rm -v $(pwd):/workspace latex-compiler
# Inside container:
pdflatex sample.tex
```

3.18 Results

The Docker container successfully compiles LaTeX documents, producing PDF output files. This provides a portable, consistent LaTeX environment without requiring local TeX Live installation.

Chapter 4

DigitalOcean Setup

4.1 Bugzilla Details

For this assignment, I deployed Bugzilla on a DigitalOcean Droplet using Docker containers. The setup required two separate containers: one for the MariaDB database and one for the Bugzilla application itself.

4.1.1 Docker Images Used

• Bugzilla: nasqueron/bugzilla

• Database: mariadb:10.6

4.1.2 Setup Process

Step 1: Create DigitalOcean Droplet

I created a new Droplet on DigitalOcean with the following specifications:

• Operating System: Ubuntu 22.04 LTS

• Plan: Basic (\$4–\$6/month)

• SSH access enabled

Step 2: Install Docker

After connecting to the Droplet via SSH, I installed Docker and Docker Compose:

apt update && apt install -y docker.io docker-compose systemctl enable docker && systemctl start docker

Step 3: Create Docker Network

I created a dedicated Docker network to allow the containers to communicate:

docker network create bugzilla-net

Step 4: Deploy MariaDB Container

I started the MariaDB database container with the following configuration:

```
docker run -d \
   --name mariadb-bugzilla \
   --network bugzilla-net \
   -e MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=rootpass \
   -e MYSQL_USER=bugzilla \
   -e MYSQL_PASSWORD=bugpass \
   -e MYSQL_DATABASE=bugs \
   mariadb:10.6
```

Step 5: Deploy Bugzilla Container

After the database was running, I deployed the Bugzilla container:

```
docker run -d \
   --name bugzilla \
   --network bugzilla-net \
   -p 80:80 \
   -e DB_HOST=mariadb-bugzilla \
   -e DB_DATABASE=bugs \
   -e DB_USER=bugzilla \
   -e DB_PASSWORD=bugpass \
   -e BUGZILLA_URL=http://159.89.43.12 \
   nasqueron/bugzilla
```

4.1.3 Configuration Parameters

- Port Mapping: 80:80 (host:container)
- Network: Custom bridge network (bugzilla-net)
- Database Connection: MariaDB via Docker network
- Environment Variables: Database credentials and Bugzilla URL configured via –e flags

4.1.4 Troubleshooting

During setup, I encountered an issue where the Bugzilla container kept exiting. The logs revealed missing environment variables (DB_PASSWORD and DB_DATABASE). This was resolved by ensuring all required environment variables were properly specified in the docker run command.

4.1.5 Access URL

```
The Bugzilla application is accessible at: http://159.89.43.12
```

4.1.6 Verification

To verify both containers were running correctly, I used:

docker ps

Both mariadb-bugzilla and bugzilla containers showed status "Up" after successful deployment.

4.2 Overleaf Details

I deployed an Overleaf (ShareLaTeX) instance on a dedicated DigitalOcean Droplet using Docker Compose. Overleaf is a collaborative online LaTeX editor that allows real-time document editing and requires MongoDB and Redis as dependencies.

4.2.1 Docker Images Used

• Overleaf: sharelatex/sharelatex:latest

• Database: mongo:6.0

• Cache: redis:6.2

4.2.2 Setup Process

Step 1: Create Dedicated DigitalOcean Droplet

I created a new dedicated Droplet on DigitalOcean with the following specifications:

- Operating System: Ubuntu 22.04 LTS
- RAM: At least 2GB (recommended for Overleaf)
- Plan: Basic (\$12/month)
- SSH access enabled

Step 2: Install Docker and Docker Compose

After connecting to the Droplet via SSH, I installed Docker and Docker Compose:

apt update && apt install -y docker.io docker-compose systemctl enable docker && systemctl start docker

Step 3: Create Docker Compose Configuration

I created a directory for Overleaf and set up a Docker Compose file:

mkdir ~/overleaf
cd ~/overleaf
nano docker-compose.yml

Step 4: Docker Compose Configuration

The docker-compose.yml file contains three services: MongoDB (with replica set), Redis, and Overleaf (ShareLaTeX):

```
version: '3.8'
services:
 mongo:
    image: mongo:6.0
    container_name: mongo
    command: ["--replSet", "overleaf"]
    restart: always
    volumes:
      - /root/mongo_data:/data/db
    expose:
      - 27017
    healthcheck:
      test: ["CMD", "mongosh", "--eval",
             "db.adminCommand('ping')"]
      interval: 10s
      timeout: 5s
      retries: 10
    networks:
      - overleaf-net
  redis:
    image: redis:6.2
    container_name: redis
    restart: always
    volumes:
      - /root/redis_data:/data
    expose:
      - 6379
    networks:
      - overleaf-net
  sharelatex:
    image: sharelatex/sharelatex
    container_name: sharelatex
    restart: always
    depends_on:
      mongo:
        condition: service_healthy
      redis:
        condition: service_started
    ports:
      - "80:80"
    volumes:
      - /root/sharelatex_data:/var/lib/overleaf
```

```
environment:
    OVERLEAF_APP_NAME: Overleaf Community Edition
    OVERLEAF_MONGO_URL: mongodb://mongo:27017/sharelatex?replicaSet=overleaf
    OVERLEAF_REDIS_HOST: redis
    ENABLED_LINKED_FILE_TYPES: project_file,project_output_file
    ENABLE_CONVERSIONS: 'true'
    EMAIL_CONFIRMATION_DISABLED: 'true'
    OVERLEAF_SITE_URL: http://<droplet_ip>
    OVERLEAF_NAV_TITLE: Overleaf CE
    networks:
    - overleaf-net

networks:
    overleaf-net:
```

Step 5: Initialize MongoDB Replica Set

After starting the containers, I initialized the MongoDB replica set manually:

```
docker exec -it mongo mongosh --eval "rs.initiate({
   _id: 'overleaf',
   members: [{ _id: 0, host: 'mongo:27017' }]
})"
```

Step 6: Deploy Overleaf

I started all three containers using Docker Compose:

```
docker-compose up -d
```

Step 7: Configure Firewall

I ensured that port 80 was open in the firewall to allow external access:

```
ufw allow 80/tcp
ufw allow OpenSSH
ufw enable
```

4.2.3 Configuration Parameters

- Port Mapping: 80:80 (host:container)
- Container Names: sharelatex, mongo, redis
- Persistent Storage: Three bind mounts for Overleaf data (/root/sharelatex_data), MongoDB data (/root/mongo_data), and Redis data (/root/redis_data)
- **Network:** Custom bridge network (overleaf-net) for inter-container communication
- **Dependencies:** MongoDB 6.0 configured as a replica set for transaction support, and Redis 6.2 for session management

• MongoDB Replica Set: Required by Overleaf version 5.0+ for database transaction support

4.2.4 Troubleshooting

During setup, I encountered several critical issues that were resolved:

MongoDB Version Requirement

The initial deployment attempted to use MongoDB 5.0, but Overleaf required MongoDB 6.0. This was resolved by updating the Docker image to mongo:6.0.

MongoDB Replica Set Requirement

Overleaf version 5.0+ requires MongoDB to run in replica set mode to support database transactions. The error message "Transaction numbers are only allowed on a replica set member or mongos" indicated this requirement. This was resolved by:

- 1. Configuring MongoDB with the --replSet overleaf command
- 2. Updating the connection string to include ?replicaSet=overleaf
- 3. Manually initializing the replica set using mongosh

Environment Variable Rebranding

Overleaf 5.0+ deprecated SHARELATEX_prefixed environment variables in favor of OVERLEAF_prefixed variables. All environment variables were updated to use the new naming convention.

Volume Path Updates

The path /var/lib/sharelatex was deprecated in favor of /var/lib/overleaf for the main application data directory.

4.2.5 Initialization

The Overleaf container takes approximately 2–3 minutes to fully initialize on first startup. The <code>depends_on</code> configuration with health checks ensures that MongoDB is ready before Overleaf attempts to connect. During this time, the internal services connect to MongoDB and Redis, and the web application becomes available.

4.2.6 Verification

To verify all containers were running correctly, I used:

docker-compose ps

All three containers (sharelatex, mongo, and redis) showed status "Up" after successful deployment. MongoDB also showed "healthy" status after passing its health check.

4.2.7 Access URL

The Overleaf application is accessible at:

http://142.93.207.133

Note: Overleaf is deployed on a dedicated droplet on port 80, eliminating the need to specify a port number in the URL. This provides a cleaner access experience compared to port-based deployments.

Chapter 5

Overleaf Deployment

5.1 Introduction

This chapter documents the deployment and configuration of Overleaf Community Edition (CE) on DigitalOcean. The deployment includes custom domain integration, SSL certificate setup with Let's Encrypt, GitHub synchronization, and command-line compilation capabilities for LaTeX projects.

5.2 Domain Registration and DNS Configuration

5.2.1 Domain Acquisition

A domain name was acquired through Name.com for the Overleaf deployment:

Domain: devops-group14.app

This domain was obtained with a one-year free registration through the GitHub Student Developer Pack.

5.2.2 DigitalOcean Droplet Creation

A DigitalOcean Droplet was created with the following specifications:

Droplet Details:

• IPv4 Address: 142.93.207.133

• Operating System: Ubuntu 22.04 LTS

• Region: Configured based on proximity requirements

5.2.3 DNS Configuration in DigitalOcean

After creating the Droplet, configure DNS records in the DigitalOcean control panel:

Step 1: Add Domain to DigitalOcean

- 1. Navigate to Networking → Domains in the DigitalOcean dashboard
- 2. Enter devops-group14.app and click "Add Domain"
- 3. Select your Droplet from the list

Step 2: Configure DNS Records

The following DNS records are automatically created:

• A Record:

- Hostname: @

- Will Direct To: 142.93.207.133

- **TTL:** 3600

Step 3: Update Name.com Nameservers

In Name.com DNS settings, update nameservers to point to DigitalOcean:

- ns1.digitalocean.com
- ns2.digitalocean.com
- ns3.digitalocean.com

5.2.4 DNS Propagation Verification

Verify DNS propagation using the following commands from your local machine:

```
# Check A record
dig devops-group14.app

# Verify IP address resolution
ping devops-group14.app

# Check nameservers
dig NS devops-group14.app
```

Expected output should show the IP address 142.93.207.133. DNS propagation typically takes 15 minutes to 48 hours.

5.3 SSL Certificate Configuration with Let's Encrypt

5.3.1 SSL Certificate Overview

SSL certificates encrypt data transmitted between the client and server, ensuring secure communication. Let's Encrypt provides free SSL certificates that automatically renew every 90 days.

5.3.2 Prerequisites for SSL Setup

Ensure the following requirements are met on your DigitalOcean Droplet (IP: 142.93.207.133):

- 1. Domain name properly configured and pointing to 142.93.207.133
- 2. Ports 80 (HTTP) and 443 (HTTPS) are open in the firewall
- 3. SSH access to the Droplet

5.3.3 SSL Certificate Installation Process

Install Certbot and Nginx

```
SSH into your DigitalOcean Droplet and install the required packages:
```

```
# Update package list
sudo apt update
# Install Nginx
sudo apt install nginx -y
# Install Certbot and Nginx plugin
sudo apt install certbot python3-certbot-nginx -y
Configure Nginx as Reverse Proxy
Create an Nginx configuration file for Overleaf:
sudo nano /etc/nginx/sites-available/overleaf
   Add the following configuration:
server {
   listen 80;
    server_name devops-group14.app;
    location / {
        proxy_pass http://localhost:80;
        proxy_set_header Host $host;
        proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-Proto $scheme;
        # WebSocket support
        proxy_http_version 1.1;
        proxy_set_header Upgrade $http_upgrade;
        proxy_set_header Connection "upgrade";
        # Timeout settings
        proxy_read_timeout 300s;
        proxy_connect_timeout 75s;
    }
}
   Enable the configuration:
# Create symbolic link
sudo ln -s /etc/nginx/sites-available/overleaf /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/
# Remove default configuration
sudo rm /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/default
```

```
# Test Nginx configuration
sudo nginx -t
# Restart Nginx
sudo systemctl restart nginx
```

Obtain SSL Certificate

Request an SSL certificate from Let's Encrypt:

```
sudo certbot --nginx -d devops-group14.app
```

During the certificate request:

- 1. Enter an email address for urgent renewal notices
- 2. Agree to the Terms of Service
- 3. Choose whether to redirect HTTP to HTTPS (Select option 2: Redirect)

Certbot automatically modifies the Nginx configuration to include SSL settings.

Verify SSL Configuration

After installation, the Nginx configuration is automatically updated to:

```
server {
   listen 443 ssl;
    server_name devops-group14.app;
    ssl_certificate /etc/letsencrypt/live/devops-group14.app/fullchain.pem;
    ssl_certificate_key /etc/letsencrypt/live/devops-group14.app/privkey.pem;
    include /etc/letsencrypt/options-ssl-nginx.conf;
    ssl_dhparam /etc/letsencrypt/ssl-dhparams.pem;
    location / {
        proxy_pass http://localhost:80;
        proxy_set_header Host $host;
        proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-Proto $scheme;
        # WebSocket support
        proxy_http_version 1.1;
        proxy_set_header Upgrade $http_upgrade;
        proxy_set_header Connection "upgrade";
        # Timeout settings
        proxy_read_timeout 300s;
        proxy_connect_timeout 75s;
    }
}
```

```
server {
    listen 80;
    server_name devops-group14.app;
    return 301 https://$server_name$request_uri;
}
```

5.3.4 SSL Certificate Automatic Renewal

Test Renewal Process

Verify that automatic renewal is configured correctly:

```
sudo certbot renew --dry-run
```

Let's Encrypt certificates are valid for 90 days. Certbot automatically creates a systemd timer that checks and renews certificates when they are within 30 days of expiration.

5.3.5 Update Docker Compose for SSL

Since Nginx now handles SSL termination, the docker-compose.yml uses standard HTTP internally. The Overleaf container listens on port 80, and Nginx proxies HTTPS traffic to it.

5.4 Overleaf Instance Deployment

5.4.1 Repository Setup

Fork and Clone Repository

SSH into your DigitalOcean Droplet and clone the forked Overleaf repository:

```
git clone https://github.com/Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14.git
cd overleaf-group14
```

Navigate to Configuration Directory

cd overleaf

5.4.2 Docker Compose Configuration

Create docker-compose.yml

Create the docker-compose.yml file with the following configuration:

```
nano docker-compose.yml
```

Add the following content:

```
version: '3.8'
services:
 mongo:
    image: mongo:6.0
    container_name: mongo
    command: ["--replSet", "overleaf"]
    restart: always
    volumes:
      - /root/mongo_data:/data/db
    expose:
      - 27017
    healthcheck:
     test: ["CMD", "mongosh", "--eval", "db.adminCommand('ping')"]
      interval: 10s
      timeout: 5s
     retries: 10
    networks:
      - overleaf-net
  redis:
    image: redis:6.2
    container_name: redis
    restart: always
    volumes:
      - /root/redis_data:/data
    expose:
      - 6379
   networks:
     - overleaf-net
  sharelatex:
    image: sharelatex/sharelatex
    container_name: sharelatex
    restart: always
    depends_on:
     mongo:
        condition: service_healthy
      redis:
        condition: service_started
    ports:
      - "80:80"
    volumes:
      - /root/sharelatex_data:/var/lib/overleaf
    environment:
      OVERLEAF_APP_NAME: Overleaf Community Edition
      OVERLEAF_MONGO_URL: mongodb://mongo:27017/sharelatex?replicaSet=overleaf
      OVERLEAF_REDIS_HOST: redis
      ENABLED_LINKED_FILE_TYPES: project_file,project_output_file
      ENABLE_CONVERSIONS: 'true'
      EMAIL_CONFIRMATION_DISABLED: 'true'
      OVERLEAF_SITE_URL: http://devops-group14.app
      OVERLEAF_NAV_TITLE: Overleaf CE
    networks:
```

```
- overleaf-net
networks:
   overleaf-net:
```

Key Configuration Points:

- MongoDB runs with replica set support
- Data volumes are stored in /root/ directory
- Containers communicate through a dedicated network
- Overleaf is accessible on port 80

5.4.3 Build and Deploy Containers

Initialize MongoDB Replica Set

Before starting the containers, ensure MongoDB replica set is properly initialized:

Build Docker Images

Execute the following command from the repository root:

```
docker compose up -d --build
```

This command:

- Builds Docker images for ShareLaTeX, MongoDB, and Redis
- Creates and starts containers in detached mode
- Establishes networking between containers

Verify Container Status

Check that all containers are running:

docker ps

Expected output shows three running containers:

- sharelatex
- mongo
- redis

5.4.4 LaTeX Package Installation

Install Essential LaTeX Packages

Install comprehensive LaTeX packages inside the ShareLaTeX container:

```
docker exec -it sharelatex bash -lc "apt-get update && apt-get install -y

→ --no-install-recommends latexmk texlive-latex-recommended

→ texlive-latex-extra texlive-fonts-recommended texlive-science

→ texlive-bibtex-extra texlive-publishers && apt-get clean"
```

This installation includes:

- latexmk: Build automation tool
- texlive-latex-recommended: Core LaTeX packages
- texlive-latex-extra: Extended LaTeX packages
- texlive-fonts-recommended: Standard font packages
- texlive-science: Scientific and mathematical packages
- texlive-bibtex-extra: Bibliography management
- texlive-publishers: Journal and publisher templates

5.4.5 Administrator Account Creation

Create Admin Account

Create an administrator account for Overleaf:

Set Administrator Password

The command outputs a password reset link. Example:

```
Generated password reset token for group140stevens.com:
http://localhost/user/password/set?passwordResetToken=abc123def456...
```

Access the link by replacing localhost with your domain:

http://devops-group14.app/user/password/set?passwordResetToken=abc123def456...

Set the administrator password as: somePassword123# Administrator Credentials:

- Email: group14@stevens.com
- Password: somePassword123#

5.4.6 Access Overleaf Instance

Navigate to https://devops-group14.app in a web browser and log in using the administrator credentials created above.

5.5 GitHub Repository Integration with DigitalOcean App Platform

5.5.1 DigitalOcean App Platform Overview

DigitalOcean App Platform enables automated deployment directly from GitHub repositories. When integrated, any push to the main branch automatically triggers a new deployment, ensuring the application stays synchronized with the latest code changes.

5.5.2 Create DigitalOcean App from GitHub Repository

Connect GitHub Repository

- 1. Navigate to the DigitalOcean dashboard
- 2. Click on "Apps" in the left sidebar
- 3. Click "Create App"
- 4. Select "GitHub" as the source
- 5. Authorize DigitalOcean to access your GitHub account
- 6. Select the repository: Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14
- 7. Choose the branch: main

Configure Auto-Deploy Settings

Enable automatic deployment on code changes:

- 1. In the app configuration, locate "Source" settings
- 2. Check the option "Autodeploy: code changes"
- 3. This ensures that any push to the main branch triggers automatic redeployment

Configuration Details:

- Repository: https://github.com/Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14
- Branch: main
- Autodeploy: Enabled
- Deploy on Push: Yes

Configure App Resources

Set up the application resources:

- 1. Resource Type: Docker Compose
- 2. Source Directory: /overleaf (where docker-compose.yml is located)
- 3. Environment Variables: Already defined in docker-compose.yml
- 4. **HTTP Port:** 80

Deploy the App

- 1. Review the app configuration
- 2. Click "Create Resources"
- 3. Wait for the initial deployment to complete
- 4. DigitalOcean will build and deploy the containers

5.5.3 Verify Automatic Deployment

Test Auto-Deploy Functionality

To verify automatic deployment works:

```
# Clone the repository locally
git clone https://github.com/Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14.git
cd overleaf-group14

# Make a test change
echo "# Test deployment" >> README.md

# Commit and push to main branch
git add README.md
git commit -m "Test automatic deployment"
git push origin main
```

Monitor Deployment

- 1. Navigate to the DigitalOcean App Platform dashboard
- 2. Select your app
- 3. View the "Activity" tab to see the automatic deployment triggered
- 4. Wait for deployment to complete (typically 5-10 minutes)

5.6 Command-Line Compilation

5.6.1 Compilation Overview

Command-line compilation enables automated builds and integration with CI/CD pipelines. All compilation commands are executed via SSH on the DigitalOcean Droplet (142.93.207.133).

5.6.2 Access DigitalOcean Droplet

Connect to the Droplet via SSH:

ssh root@142.93.207.133

5.6.3 Direct Container Compilation

Access the ShareLaTeX Container

docker exec -it sharelatex bash

Navigate to Project Directory

Projects are stored in the compiles directory:

cd /var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles
ls -la

Navigate to your specific project:

cd /var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc ls -la

Locate Main LaTeX File

Identify the main .tex file (commonly main.tex):

ls -la *.tex

Compile Using latexmk

Use latexmk for automated compilation with dependency resolution:

 ${\tt latexmk\ -pdf\ -interaction=nonstopmode\ main.tex}$

Command Options:

- -pdf: Generate PDF output
- -interaction=nonstopmode: Continue compilation without stopping for errors

Alternative Compilation Methods

Using pdfLaTeX:

pdflatex -interaction=nonstopmode main.tex

5.6.4 Extract Compiled PDF

Copy PDF from Container to Droplet

Exit the container and execute from the Droplet:

docker cp

- → sharelatex:/var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc/main.pdf
- \hookrightarrow ./output.pdf

Download PDF to Local Machine

From your local machine, download the PDF using SCP:

```
scp root@142.93.207.133:~/output.pdf ./local-output.pdf
```

5.6.5 Compilation from GitHub Repository

Clone Repository on Droplet

SSH into the Droplet and clone the GitHub repository:

```
cd ~
git clone https://github.com/Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14.git
cd overleaf-group14
```

Copy Files to Overleaf Container

Compile Inside Container

Extract Compiled Output

```
docker cp
```

- \rightarrow sharelatex:/var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc/main.pdf
- \rightarrow ./compiled-output.pdf

5.6.6 Troubleshooting Compilation Issues

View Compilation Logs

If compilation fails, check the log file:

Check LaTeX Package Installation

Verify required packages are installed:

```
docker exec sharelatex bash -c "latex --version"
docker exec sharelatex bash -c "pdflatex --version"
```

Install Missing Packages

```
If specific packages are missing:
```

```
docker exec -it sharelatex bash
apt-get update
apt-get install -y texlive-PACKAGE-NAME
```

5.7 Version Control Integration with Document Title

5.7.1 Purpose and Implementation

To establish traceability between compiled documents and their source code versions in GitHub, the document title should include the Git commit hash. This creates an audit trail that maps each generated PDF to its exact source code state.

5.7.2 Automated Version Insertion Strategy

Modify LaTeX Document for Dynamic Versioning

Update the main LaTeX file to include a version placeholder:

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{fancyhdr}

% Define version command
\newcommand{\documentversion}{VERSION_PLACEHOLDER}

\title{Project Report - Version \documentversion}
\author{Group 14}
\date{\today}

\begin{document}
\maketitle

% Document content here

\end{document}
```

Create Version Injection Script

Create a script on the DigitalOcean Droplet to automatically inject the Git commit hash:

```
#!/bin/bash
# inject-version.sh
REPO_PATH="$1"
TEX_FILE="$2"
if [ -z "$REPO_PATH" ] || [ -z "$TEX_FILE" ]; then
    echo "Usage: ./inject-version.sh REPO_PATH TEX_FILE"
    exit 1
fi
cd "$REPO_PATH"
# Get the latest commit hash
COMMIT_HASH=$(git rev-parse --short HEAD)
COMMIT_DATE=$(git log -1 --format=%cd --date=short)
echo "Injecting version: $COMMIT_HASH (Date: $COMMIT_DATE)"
# Replace version placeholder with actual commit hash
sed -i "s/VERSION_PLACEHOLDER/$COMMIT_HASH/g" "$TEX_FILE"
echo "Version injection completed."
   Make the script executable:
chmod +x inject-version.sh
Usage Example
SSH into the DigitalOcean Droplet (142.93.207.133) and execute:
# Clone the repository
git clone https://github.com/Badri-Narayanan/overleaf-group14.git
cd overleaf-group14
# Inject version into LaTeX document
./inject-version.sh . main.tex
# Copy to Overleaf container
docker cp ./

→ sharelatex:/var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc/

# Compile the document
docker exec sharelatex bash -c "cd
→ /var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc && latexmk -pdf
→ -interaction=nonstopmode main.tex"
```

```
# Extract the compiled PDF
docker cp
```

- $\Rightarrow \verb| sharelatex:/var/lib/overleaf/data/compiles/68f14824c7c1f423d5bbe7bc/main.pdf| \\$
- \hookrightarrow ./output-versioned.pdf

5.7.3 Manual Version Addition

If the LaTeX document doesn't contain a VERSION_PLACEHOLDER, manually add the version to the title:

```
# Get the current commit hash
COMMIT_HASH=$(git rev-parse --short HEAD)

# Modify the title in the LaTeX file
sed -i "s/\\title{\([^}]*\)}/\\title{\(1 - Version $COMMIT_HASH}/g" main.tex
```

5.7.4 Verification

After compilation, verify that the PDF contains the version information:

- 1. Open the generated PDF
- 2. Check the title page for the commit hash
- 3. Verify the commit hash matches the latest Git commit:

```
git rev-parse --short HEAD
```

Glossary

 $\mathbf{CI/CD}$ Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment - automated software development practices that enable frequent code integration and deployment. 8

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