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0.2 Hosts and Passwords

The following table (Table 2) includes the hosts and password hints to accounts that are used in the duration of the project.

Table 2: Hosts and Passwords

Hosts	Passwords
root	Hints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 73 • Progress
jgallig1@stevens.edu	Hints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name of a close friend • Number of a parasite
jgrant4@stevens.edu	Hints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name of class • What you do in class

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Chapter 1

Introduction

– Jack Galligan, James Grant, Collin Smith

I'm Jack Galligan, a software engineering major who has spent 8 years pursuing software development. My preference is Python although I've done a little bit of a lot of the major languages, and I have a dog named Luna.

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Chapter 2

Project Proposal

– JGa, JGr, CS

2.1 Project Description

Our project is our senior design project, GreekConnect, which is intended to be a web app and accompanying app which allows fraternities, sororities, and their members to schedule and view events. Our users include Stevens faculty as well as a significant student body, so for our app to be useful it needs to be easy to install and open on a computer as well as a phone by students who likely don't want to do very much in order to get access to the app. Some features which we will need to test include:

- Does the app work when multiple people try to make changes at once?
- Do transfers of roles and permissions work as intended?
- Do students and student leaders see messages intended for them?

We will also need a database, as our app plans on storing the information of many people's schedules. Considering the Stevens database only appears to be a convenient option on campus, we expect to need to look into alternatives like an Amazon Web Server. We will try out a few different options to determine the minimum specifications necessary for our needs.

2.2 Dev Ops Tool Specification

Source control management will be done using Git and Github, which will allow us to focus on testing and deployment collaboratively. Deployment will likely use Docker to containerize the app for various environments and Kubernetes to orchestrate and maintain the containers. Our project will likely use a synchronized database such as Firebase, which is a document-based NoSQL database, so that it's easier to program user data editing/collaboration. We will also explore SQL based options such as Supabase, PostgreSQL and Neon depending on our planned coding schedule. Testing will likely use Jest or other Javascript testing frameworks (React Testing Library, Cypress) to test the front and back end of the application.

Chapter 3

Linux Commands

– JG, CS

3.1 Terminal Bash Commands

```
collin@Collin:/mnt/c/WINDOWS/system32$  
mkdir -p ~/lx-test && cd ~/lx-test
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$  
printf "alpha\nbeta\nGamma\ngamma\nbeta\n" > words.txt
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$  
printf "id,name,dept\n1,Ada,EE\n2,Linus,CS\n3,Grace,EE\n4,Dennis,CS\n" > people.csv
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$  
printf "INFO boot ok\nWARN disk low\nERROR fan fail\nINFO shutdown\n" > sys.log
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ dd if=/dev/zero of=blob.bin bs=1K count=48 status=none
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ mkdir -p src/lib tmp archive
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ printf "one two three four\n" > src/file1.txt
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ printf "two three four five\n" > src/file2.txt
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ln -s src/file1.txt link-to-file1
```

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ touch -t 202401020304 old.txt
```

3.2 Linux Problem Set Answers

A) Navigation & File Ops

1. Show your present working directory path only.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ pwd
/home/collin/lx-test
```

2. List all entries in the current directory, one per line, including dotfiles.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls -la
.
..
archive
blob.bin
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.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ cp -v src/file1.txt tmp/
'src/file1.txt' -> 'tmp/file1.txt'
```

4. Move old.txt into archive/ and keep its original timestamp.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ mv -v old.txt archive/
renamed 'old.txt' -> 'archive/old.txt'
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls -l archive/
total 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 collin collin 0 Jan  2 2024 old.txt
```

5. Create a new empty file notes.md only if it doesn't already exist.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls notes.md
ls: cannot access 'notes.md': No such file or directory
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ [ -e notes.md ] || touch notes.md
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls notes.md
notes.md
```

6. Show disk usage (human-readable) for the src directory only (not total FS).

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ du -h src
4.0K    src/lib
16K     src
```

B) Viewing & Searching

7. Print line numbers while displaying sys/log.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ cat -n sys.log
 1 INFO boot ok
 2 WARN disk low
 3 ERROR fan fail
 4 INFO shutdown
```

8. Show only the lines in sys.log that contain ERROR (case-sensitive)

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ grep ERROR sys.log
ERROR fan fail
```

9. Count how many distinct words appear in words.txt (case-insensitive).

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$
tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' < words.txt | sort | uniq | wc -l
3
```

10. From words.txt, show lines that start with g or G.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ grep '^[gG]' words.txt
Gamma
gamma
```

11. Display the first 2 lines of people.csv without using an editor.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ head -n 2 people.csv
id,name,dept
1,Ada,EE
```

12. Show the last 3 lines of sys.log and keep following if the file grows.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ tail -n 3 -f sys.log
WARN disk low
ERROR fan fail
INFO shutdown
```

^C

C) Text Processing

13. From people.csv, print only the name column (2nd), excluding the header.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ cut -d',' -f2 people.csv | tail -n +2
Ada
Linus
Grace
Dennis
```

14. Sort words.txt case-insensitively and remove duplicates.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' < words.txt | sort | uniq
alpha
beta
gamma
```

15. Replace every three with 3 in all files under src/ in-place, creating .bak backups.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ sed -i.bak 's/three/3/g' src/file1.txt src/file2.txt
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ cat src/file1.txt
one two 3 four
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ cat src/file2.txt
two 3 four five
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls src/*.bak
src/file1.txt.bak  src/file2.txt.bak
```

16. Print the number of lines, words, and bytes for every *.txt file in src/.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ wc src/*.txt
 1  4 15 src/file1.txt
 1  4 16 src/file2.txt
 2  8 31 total
```

D) Permissions & Ownership

17. Make tmp/ readable, writable, and searchable only by the owner.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ chmod 700 tmp/
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls -ld tmp/
drwx----- 2 collin collin 4096 Sep 15 16:09 tmp/
```

18. Give group execute permission to src/lib recursively without touching others/owner bits.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ chmod -R g+x src/lib
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls -l src/lib
total 0
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls src/lib
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ ls -ld src/lib
drwxr-xr-x 2 collin collin 4096 Sep 15 15:28 src/lib
```

19. Show the numeric (octal) permissions of src/file2.txt.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ stat -c "%a" src/file2.txt
644
```

20. Make notes.md append-only for the owner via file attributes (if supported).

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ sudo chattr +a notes.md
[sudo] password for collin:
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ lsattr notes.md
-----a-----e----- notes.md
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ echo "text" >> notes.md
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ echo "overwrite" > notes.md
-bash: notes.md: Operation not permitted
```

E) Links & Find

21. Verify whether link-to-file1 is a symlink and show its target path.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ readlink link-to-file1
src/file1.txt
```

22. Find all regular files under the current tree larger than 40 KiB.

```
find . -type f -size +40k
./blob.bin
```

23. Find files modified in the last 10 minutes under tmp/ and print their sizes.

```
collin@Collin:~/lx-test$ find tmp/ -type f -mmin -10 -ls
```

F) Processes & Job Control

24. Show your processes in a tree view.

```
jack@Jacktop:~$ ps -u $USER --forest
PID TTY      TIME CMD
908 pts/4    00:00:00 bash
923 pts/4    00:00:00 \_ ps
465 pts/1    00:00:00 bash
367 pts/2    00:00:00 sh
411 ?         00:00:00 systemd
412 ?         00:00:00 \_ (sd-pam)
```

25. Start sleep 120 in the background and show its PID.

```
jack@Jacktop:~$ sleep 120 & echo $!
[1] 1047
```

26. Send a TERM signal to all sleep processes owned by you (don't use kill -9).

```
jack@Jacktop:~$ pkill -TERM -u $USER sleep
[1]+  Terminated          sleep 120
```

27. Show the top 5 processes by memory usage (one-shot, not interactive).


```
jack@Jacktop:~$ ps -eo pid,user,%mem,rss,cmd --sort=-%mem | head -n 6
PID USER    %MEM  RSS CMD
709 root    0.1 22952 /mnt/wsl/docker-desktop/docker-desktop-user-distro proxy --distro-name Ubu
276 root    0.1 22400 /usr/bin/python3 /usr/share/unattended-upgrades/unattended-upgrade-shuto
 42 root     0.0 15200 /usr/lib/systemd/systemd-journald
  1 root     0.0 12316 /sbin/init
207 root     0.0 11840 /usr/libexec/wsl-pro-service -vv
```

G) Archiving & Compression

28. Create a gzipped tar archive `src.tgz` from `src/` with relative paths.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ tar -czf src.tgz -C src .
```

29. List the contents of `src.tgz` without extracting.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ tar -tzf src.tgz
./
./file2.txt
./file1.txt
./lib/
```

30. Extract only `file2.txt` from `src.tgz` into `tmp/`.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ tar -xzf src.tgz -C tmp ./file2.txt
```

H) Networking & System Info

31. Show all listening TCP sockets with associated PIDs (no root assumptions).

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ ss -ltp
State  Recv-Q  Send-Q  Local Address:Port  Peer Address:Port  Process
LISTEN  0        4096    127.0.0.53:domain  0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN  0        4096    127.0.0.54:domain  0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN  0        1000   10.255.255.254:domain  0.0.0.0:*
```

32. Print your default route (gateway) in a concise form.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ ip route show default
default via 172.20.240.1 dev eth0 proto kernel
```

33. Display kernel name, release, and machine architecture.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ uname -srnm
Linux 6.6.87.2-microsoft-standard-WSL2 x86_64
```

34. Show the last 5 successful logins (or last sessions) on the system.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ last -n 5
reboot    system boot  6.6.87.2-microso Wed Sep 17 20:09    still running
reboot    system boot  6.6.87.2-microso Mon Sep 15 15:37    still running
reboot    system boot  6.6.87.2-microso Mon Sep 15 15:09    still running

wtmptmp begins Mon Sep 15 15:09:55 2025
```

I) Package & Services (Debian/Ubuntu)

35. Show the installed version of package coreutils.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ dpkg -l coreutils | awk '/coreutils/ {print $3}'
9.4-3ubuntu6
```

36. Search available packages whose names contain ripgrep.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ apt-cache search ripgrep
elpa-consult - Useful commands based on completing-read for Emacs
elpa-dumb-jump - jump to definition for multiple languages without configuration
ripgrep - Recursively searches directories for a regex pattern
ugrep - faster grep with an interactive query UI
```

37. Check whether service cron is active and print its status line only.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ systemctl status cron | grep 'Active:'
Active: active (running) since Wed 2025-09-17 20:09:05 EDT; 51min ago
```

J) Bash & Scripting

38. Write a one-liner that loops over *.txt in src/ and prints: <filename>: <linecount>.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ for f in src/*.txt; do echo "$f: $(wc -l < "$f")"; done
src/file1.txt: 1
src/file2.txt: 1
```

39. Write a command that exports CSV rows where dept == "CS" to cs.txt (exclude header).

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ awk -F, '$2=="CS" {print}' people.csv > cs.txt
```

40. Create a variable X with value 42, print it, then remove it from the environment.

```
jack@Jacktop:~/lx-test$ export X=42; echo $X; unset X
42
```

Chapter 4

AWS Deployment

– JGa, JGr, CS

4.1 Steps taken to deploy website

The link to the website can be found here: <https://mgn8mc4khh.us-east-2.awsapprunner.com/>

After both installing AWS and creating accounts, here are the steps we took to deploy our website using AWS:

1. Configured environment variables:

```
1 export AWS_ACCOUNT_ID=<My Account ID>
2 export AWS_REGION=us-east-2
3 export ECR_REPO=myapp
4 export IMAGE_TAG=v1
5 export APP_NAME=my-apprunner-app
6 export CONTAINER_PORT=3000
7
```

2. Authenticated Docker with Amazon ECR:

```
1 aws ecr get-login-password --region $AWS_REGION --profile default \
2 | docker login --username AWS --password-stdin $AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.
   ecr.$AWS_REGION.amazonaws.com
3
```

3. Created an ECR repository:

```
1 aws ecr create-repository \
2   --repository-name $ECR_REPO \
3   --region $AWS_REGION \
4   --profile default
5
```

4. Built our Docker image locally:

```
1 docker build -t $ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG .
2
```

5. Tagged the image for our private ECR repository:

```

1     docker tag $ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG \
2     $AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.$AWS_REGION.amazonaws.com/$ECR_REPO:
    $IMAGE_TAG
3

```

6. Pushed the image to ECR:

```

1     docker push $AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.$AWS_REGION.amazonaws.com/
    $ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG
2

```

7. Deployed the image to App Runner:

```

1     aws apprunner create-service \
2     --service-name "$APP_NAME" \
3     --region "$AWS_REGION" --profile default \
4     --source-configuration "{
5     \ "ImageRepository\ ": {
6     \ "ImageIdentifier\ ": \"$AWS_ACCOUNT_ID.dkr.ecr.$AWS_REGION.
amazonaws.com/$ECR_REPO:$IMAGE_TAG\" ,
7     \ "ImageRepositoryType\ ": \"ECR\" ,
8     \ "ImageConfiguration\ ": {\"Port\ ": \"$CONTAINER_PORT\" }
9     },
10    \ "AuthenticationConfiguration\ ": {
11    \ "AccessRoleArn\ ": \"arn:aws:iam::$AWS_ACCOUNT_ID:role/
AppRunnerECRAccessRole\"
12    },
13    \ "AutoDeploymentsEnabled\ ": true
14    }" \
15    --instance-configuration "{\"Cpu\ ": \"1 vCPU\" ,\"Memory\ ": \"2 GB\" }"
16

```

8. Viewed the service status until it said RUNNING:

```

1     aws apprunner describe-service \
2     --service-arn arn:aws:apprunner:us-east-2:039612868337:service/my-
apprunner-app/645d0eab8242460da212316afafce4ec \
3     --region $AWS_REGION --profile default \
4     --query 'Service.Status'
5

```

9. Once the status was RUNNING, we were able to access our live website using the ServiceUrl provided, e.g.:

<https://mgn8mc4khh.us-east-2.awsapprunner.com>

4.2 Class Based Website

```
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html lang="en">
3 <head>
4   <meta charset="UTF-8">
5   <title>Color Buttons App</title>
6   <style>
7     body {
8       font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
9       text-align: center;
10      margin-top: 50px;
11      transition: background-color 0.3s ease;
12    }
13    button {
14      padding: 12px 24px;
15      font-size: 18px;
16      margin: 10px;
17      cursor: pointer;
18    }
19  </style>
20 </head>
21 <body>
22   <h1>Click a Button to Change Background</h1>
23   <button id="blueBtn">Blue</button>
24   <button id="redBtn">Red</button>
25
26   <script>
27     // Define a class to handle color changes
28     class ColorChanger {
29       constructor() {
30         this.body = document.body;
31         this.blueBtn = document.getElementById("blueBtn");
32         this.redBtn = document.getElementById("redBtn");
33       }
34
35       init() {
36         this.blueBtn.addEventListener("click", () => this.changeColor("blue"));
37         ;
38         this.redBtn.addEventListener("click", () => this.changeColor("red"));
39       }
40
41       changeColor(color) {
42         this.body.style.backgroundColor = color;
43       }
44
45       // Create and initialize the object
46       const colorChanger = new ColorChanger();
47       colorChanger.init();
48   </script>
49 </body>
50 </html>
```

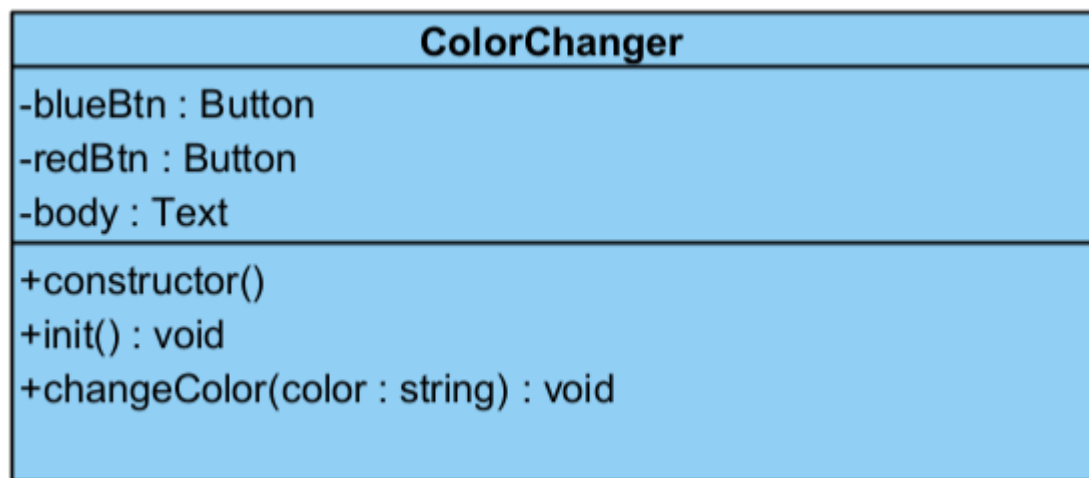


Figure 4.1: UML diagram of class based Color Changer

Chapter 5

LaTeX Docker

– JGa, JGr, CS

In this chapter, we use a Docker container to compile a simple LaTeX document using TeX Live.

To download TeX Live and create the Dockerfile, we use the following command in our Linux terminal:

```
cat > Dockerfile << 'EOF'
FROM ubuntu:22.04

RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y texlive \
    && apt-get clean && rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*

WORKDIR /data

COPY sample.tex .

CMD ["pdflatex", "sample.tex"]
EOF
```

We build and run the container as follows:

```
docker build -t latex-docker .
docker run --rm -v $(pwd):/data latex-docker
```

We can finally view the sample.pdf file created from a sample LaTeX document:

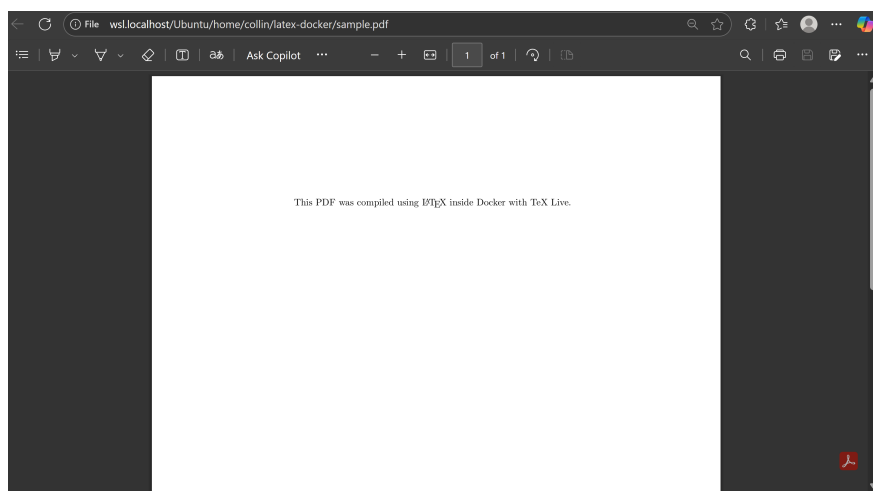


Figure 5.1: Sample LaTeX PDF generated through Docker and TeX Live.

Chapter 6

Bugzilla

– JGa, JGr, CS

In this chapter, we discuss the steps taken for the configuration of the Bugzilla Docker container on Digital Ocean.

6.1 Preface

Before anything else, make sure you have a Digital Ocean Droplet running.

Then, enter the following into the terminal:

```
1 ssh root@164.90.141.14
```

6.2 Installing Docker

Run the following lines in the terminal to install Docker:

```
2 # update
3 apt update && apt upgrade -y
4
5 # install docker & compose plugin
6 apt install -y ca-certificates curl gnupg lsb-release
7 mkdir -p /etc/apt/keyrings
8 curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg | gpg --dearmor -o /
   etc/apt/keyrings/docker.gpg
9 echo \
10  "deb [arch=$(dpkg --print-architecture) signed-by=/etc/apt/keyrings/docker.
   gpg] https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu \
11  $(lsb_release -cs) stable" | tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/docker.list > /dev/
   null
12 apt update && apt install -y docker-ce docker-ce-cli containerd.io docker-
   compose-plugin
13
14 # enable docker
15 systemctl enable --now docker
```

6.3 Clone Bugzilla's Repo

The following commands can be run to clone the Bugzilla repository:

```
16 apt install -y git
17 cd /opt
18 git clone https://github.com/bugzilla/bugzilla.git
19 cd bugzilla
20 # the repo contains a docker-compose.yml (demo)
21 docker compose up -d
22 # watch logs until it finishes
23 docker compose logs -f
```

6.4 Public IP:Port

The Bugzilla site can be accessed at: <http://164.90.141.14:8080/>

Chapter 7

Overleaf

– JGa, JGr, CS

In this chapter, we discuss the details on the configuration of the Overleaf Docker container on Digital Ocean.

7.0.1 Creating the Digital Ocean Droplet

First, we created a new droplet through the Digital Ocean dashboard by selecting Ubuntu 22.04 LTS as the operating system. We chose a plan with 4GB RAM and 2 vCPUs, selected the New York datacenter region, and configured SSH key authentication. After creating the droplet, we connected via SSH using the assigned IP address.

7.0.2 Installing Docker and Docker Compose

We first updated the system packages and installed the required dependencies:

```
1 apt update && apt upgrade -y
2 apt install -y apt-transport-https ca-certificates curl \
3     software-properties-common
```

Then it was necessary to add Docker's official GPG key and repository, ensuring to specify the correct architecture (amd64) for the Intel/AMD droplet:

```
1 curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg | \
2     gpg --dearmor -o /usr/share/keyrings/docker-archive-keyring.gpg
3
4 echo "deb [arch=amd64 signed-by=/usr/share/keyrings/docker-archive-keyring.gpg
5     ] \
6     https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu $(lsb_release -cs) stable" | \
7     tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/docker.list > /dev/null
8
9 apt update
10 apt install -y docker-ce docker-ce-cli containerd.io
```

Finally, we installed Docker Compose and verified both installations:

```
1 curl -L "https://github.com/docker/compose/releases/latest/download/\
2     docker-compose-$(uname -s)-$(uname -m)" \
```

```

3     -o /usr/local/bin/docker-compose
4 chmod +x /usr/local/bin/docker-compose
5
6 docker --version
7 docker-compose --version

```

7.0.3 Configuring the Environment

First, we created a dedicated directory for the Overleaf configuration and navigated into it:

```

1 mkdir ~/overleaf
2 cd ~/overleaf

```

We created a `.env` file to store environment variables, which proved cleaner than inline configuration:

```

1 OVERLEAF_MONGO_URL=mongodb://mongo/overleaf?directConnection=true
2 OVERLEAF_REDIS_HOST=redis
3 OVERLEAF_SITE_URL=http://138.197.20.201
4 OVERLEAF_APP_NAME=MyOverleaf
5 EMAIL_CONFIRMATION_DISABLED=true

```

7.0.4 Docker Compose Configuration

We then added the `docker-compose.yml` file with several important modifications from standard configurations. The final configuration was:

```

version: '2.2'
services:
  sharelatex:
    restart: always
    image: sharelatex/sharelatex:latest
    container_name: sharelatex
    depends_on:
      mongo:
        condition: service_healthy
      redis:
        condition: service_started
    ports:
      - 80:80
    volumes:
      - ~/sharelatex_data:/var/lib/overleaf
    env_file:
      - .env

  mongo:
    restart: always
    image: mongo:6.0

```

```

container_name: mongo
command: ["--replSet", "rs0"]
expose:
  - 27017
volumes:
  - ~/mongo_data:/data/db
healthcheck:
  test: echo 'db.runCommand("ping").ok' |
        mongosh localhost:27017/test --quiet
  interval: 10s
  timeout: 10s
  retries: 5
  start_period: 40s

redis:
  restart: always
  image: redis:6.2
  container_name: redis
  expose:
    - 6379
  volumes:
    - ~/redis_data:/data
  healthcheck:
    test: ["CMD", "redis-cli", "ping"]
    interval: 5s
    timeout: 3s
    retries: 5

```

7.0.5 Deploying and Initializing

We composed the containers using Docker-Compose:

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

After waiting approximately 30 seconds for MongoDB to fully start, the MongoDB replica set was initialized, which was essential for preventing transaction-related errors:

```

1 docker exec mongo mongosh --eval \
2   "rs.initiate({_id: 'rs0', members: [{_id: 0, host: 'mongo:27017'}]})"

```

We then restarted the Overleaf container to establish the connection with the initialized replica set:

```
1 docker compose restart sharelatex
```

7.0.6 Verification

Once we saw the runit daemon start message, we verified all containers were running properly:

1 docker [ps](#)

The Overleaf web interface is successfully hosted at <http://138.197.20.201>, confirming the deployment was complete and functional.

Chapter 8

Domain Names, SSL, and Versioning

– JGa, JGr, CS

8.1 Domain Name Configuration

8.1.1 Acquiring a Domain Name

We obtained a free domain name through the GitHub Student Developer Pack, which provides a one-year free domain registration through Namecheap. The domain `overleafssw590group10.me` was registered for hosting our Overleaf instance.

Steps to Obtain Domain

1. Sign up for the GitHub Student Developer Pack at <https://education.github.com/pack>
2. Verify student status with a valid .edu email address
3. Access the Namecheap benefit and register a .me domain

8.1.2 DNS Configuration

After acquiring the domain, we configured DNS records in Namecheap to point to our Digital Ocean Droplet at IP address 138.197.20.201:

- A Record: Host: @, Value: 138.197.20.201
- A Record: Host: www, Value: 138.197.20.201

We verified DNS was working with:

```
curl -I http://overleafssw590group10.me
```


8.2 SSL Certificate Configuration with Let's Encrypt

8.2.1 Overview

We implemented SSL certificates using Let's Encrypt with Nginx as a reverse proxy to handle HTTPS traffic. The setup includes automatic certificate renewal every 90 days.

8.2.2 Implementation

Step 1: Update Docker Compose Configuration

We added Nginx and Certbot services to `docker-compose.yml`:

```
version: '3.9'
services:
  mongo:
    image: mongo:6.0
    container_name: overleaf-mongo
    environment:
      MONGO_INITDB_ROOT_USERNAME: root
      MONGO_INITDB_ROOT_PASSWORD: rootpassword
    volumes:
      - ./mongo-data:/data/db
      - ./mongodb-keyfile:/data/mongodb-keyfile:ro
    restart: always
    command: ["--replSet", "overleaf", "--keyFile",
              "/data/mongodb-keyfile"]

  redis:
    image: redis:7
    container_name: overleaf-redis
    restart: always
    volumes:
      - ./redis-data:/data

  overleaf-app:
    image: sharelatex/sharelatex:latest
    container_name: overleaf-app
    depends_on:
      - mongo
      - redis
    expose:
      - "80"
    environment:
      OVERLEAF_MONGO_URL: mongodb://root:rootpassword@mongo/
```

```

    sharelatex?authSource=admin&replicaSet=overleaf
    OVERLEAF_REDIS_HOST: redis
    OVERLEAF_SITE_URL: https://overleafssw590group10.me
    OVERLEAF_BEHIND_PROXY: 'true'
    OVERLEAF_ADMIN_EMAIL: jamesgrant2225@gmail.com
    OVERLEAF_APP_NAME: MyOverleaf
volumes:
  - ./data:/var/lib/overleaf
restart: always

```

```

nginx:
  image: nginx:alpine
  container__name: overleaf-nginx
  ports:
    - "80:80"
    - "443:443"
  volumes:
    - ./nginx/nginx.conf:/etc/nginx/nginx.conf:ro
    - ./nginx/certbot/conf:/etc/letsencrypt:ro
    - ./nginx/certbot/www:/var/www/certbot:ro
  depends_on:
    - overleaf-app
  restart: always

```

```

certbot:
  image: certbot/certbot
  container__name: overleaf-certbot
  volumes:
    - ./nginx/certbot/conf:/etc/letsencrypt
    - ./nginx/certbot/www:/var/www/certbot
  entrypoint: "/bin/sh -c 'trap exit TERM; while ;; do
    certbot renew; sleep 12h & wait $$!; done;'"

```

Key changes: changed `OVERLEAF_SITE_URL` to `https://`, set `OVERLEAF_BEHIND_PROXY` to true, and exposed Overleaf only internally while Nginx handles external ports 80 and 443.

Step 2: Create Nginx Configuration

Created `nginx/nginx.conf`:

```

events {
    worker_connections 1024;
}

http {

```

```
server {
    listen 80;
    server_name overleafssw590group10.me;

    location /.well-known/acme-challenge/ {
        root /var/www/certbot;
    }

    location / {
        return 301 https://$host$request_uri;
    }
}

server {
    listen 443 ssl;
    server_name overleafssw590group10.me;

    ssl_certificate /etc/letsencrypt/live/
        overleafssw590group10.me/fullchain.pem;
    ssl_certificate_key /etc/letsencrypt/live/
        overleafssw590group10.me/privkey.pem;

    client_max_body_size 50M;

    location / {
        proxy_pass http://overleaf-app:80;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For
            $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-Proto $scheme;
        proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
        proxy_set_header Host $host;
        proxy_http_version 1.1;
        proxy_set_header Upgrade $http_upgrade;
        proxy_set_header Connection "upgrade";
    }
}
```

Step 3: Initialize MongoDB Replica Set

Overleaf requires MongoDB to run as a replica set. We created a keyfile and initialized it:

```
# Create MongoDB keyfile
openssl rand -base64 756 > ./mongodb-keyfile
chmod 400 ./mongodb-keyfile
```

```
sudo chown 999:999 ./mongodb-keyfile
```

```
# Start MongoDB
```

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

```
# Initialize replica set
```

```
docker exec -it overleaf-mongo mongosh -u root -p rootpassword \
  --authenticationDatabase admin \
  --eval "rs.initiate({ _id: 'overleaf', members:
    [ { _id: 0, host: 'mongo:27017' } ] })"
```

Step 4: Obtain SSL Certificate

We obtained the certificate from Let's Encrypt using Certbot:

```
# Stop Nginx to free port 80
```

```
docker-compose stop nginx
```

```
# Request certificate
```

```
docker run --rm -it \
  -v "$PWD/nginx/certbot/conf:/etc/letsencrypt" \
  -v "$PWD/nginx/certbot/www:/var/www/certbot" \
  -p 80:80 \
  certbot/certbot \
  certonly --standalone \
  -d overleafssw590group10.me \
  --email jamesgrant2225@gmail.com \
  --agree-tos \
  --no-eff-email
```

```
# Start all services
```

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

Step 5: Verify HTTPS

We verified the SSL certificate was working:

```
curl -I https://overleafssw590group10.me
```

The site was now accessible at <https://overleafssw590group10.me> with a valid SSL certificate. The Certbot container automatically renews the certificate every 90 days.

8.3 Overleaf Container LaTeX Configuration

To ensure that all LaTeX packages were available for project compilation, we installed the full TeX Live distribution inside our Overleaf container and verified installation of the TeX Live 2025 version.

```
sudo docker exec -it overleaf-app bash
apt update
apt install -y texlive-full
pdflatex --version
```

Chapter 9

Github Actions

– JGa, JGr, CS

9.1 GitHub Actions Workflow Configuration

9.1.1 Overview

We implemented a GitHub Actions workflow to automatically compile our LaTeX document whenever changes are pushed to the repository. This workflow accomplishes three key objectives: adding a version number based on the Git commit count, compiling the LaTeX document using a GitHub runner, and saving the resulting PDF back to the repository.

9.1.2 Workflow File Structure

GitHub Actions workflows are defined in YAML files stored in the `.github/workflows/` directory of the repository. We created our workflow file at `.github/workflows/latex.yml`.

9.1.3 Creating the Workflow Directory

First, we created the necessary directory structure in our repository:

```
cd /var/lib/overleaf/data/user_files/Overleaf590
mkdir -p .github/workflows
```

9.1.4 Workflow Configuration

We created the workflow file `latex.yml` with the following configuration:

```
name: Build Overleaf PDF
on:
  push:
    branches:
      - master
  paths-ignore:
```

```
- '**.pdf'
permissions:
  contents: write
jobs:
  build:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest
    steps:
      - name: Checkout repository
        uses: actions/checkout@v4

      - name: Set changelist number
        id: version
        run: |
          echo "CHANGE_ID=$(git rev-list --count HEAD)" >> $GITHUB_ENV
          echo "Version: $(git rev-list --count HEAD)"

      - name: Update version in LaTeX file
        env:
          CHANGE_ID: ${ env.CHANGE_ID }
        run: |
          sed -i 's/Version:./Version: ${CHANGE_ID}/' dsnManual.tex || true

      - name: Insert git version into LaTeX
        run: |
          GIT_HASH=$(git rev-parse --short HEAD)
          echo "Inserting git hash $GIT_HASH into dsnManual.tex"
          sed -i 's/PLACEHOLDER/$GIT_HASH/g' dsnManual.tex

      - name: Compile LaTeX document
        uses: xu-cheng/latex-action@v3
        continue-on-error: true
        with:
          root_file: dsnManual.tex
          latexmk_use_xelatex: true
          latexmk_shell_escape: true
          args: -interaction=nonstopmode -file-line-error -f

      - name: Upload PDF to artifacts
        uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4
        with:
          name: dsnManual-pdf
          path: dsnManual.pdf

      - name: Commit PDF back to repo
        run: |
```

```
git config user.name "github-actions"  
git config user.email "actions@github.com"  
git add dsnManual.pdf  
git diff --cached --quiet || git commit -m "Add compiled PDF version $CHANGE_ID"  
git push
```

9.1.5 Workflow Components Explained

Trigger Configuration

The workflow triggers automatically on every push to the master branch, but ignores changes to PDF files to prevent infinite loops:

```
on:  
  push:  
    branches:  
      - master  
  paths-ignore:  
    - '**.pdf'
```

Version Number Generation

The changelist number is generated using Git's commit count, which provides a unique, incrementing version number:

```
echo "CHANGE_ID=$(git rev-list --count HEAD)" >> $GITHUB_ENV
```

This command counts all commits in the repository history and stores the value in an environment variable accessible to subsequent steps.

Version Placeholder Replacement

We defined a placeholder in our LaTeX master file (dsnManual.tex):

```
\newcommand{\gitversion}{PLACEHOLDER}
```

The workflow replaces this placeholder with the actual Git commit hash:

```
GIT_HASH=$(git rev-parse --short HEAD)  
sed -i "s/PLACEHOLDER/$GIT_HASH/g" dsnManual.tex
```


LaTeX Compilation

The workflow uses the `xu-cheng/latex-action@v3` action to compile the LaTeX document with XeLaTeX:

```
- name: Compile LaTeX document
  uses: xu-cheng/latex-action@v3
  continue-on-error: true
  with:
    root_file: dsnManual.tex
    latexmk_use_xelatex: true
    latexmk_shell_escape: true
    args: -interaction=nonstopmode -file-line-error -f
```

Key parameters:

- `latexmk_use_xelatex: true` – Uses XeLaTeX engine for compilation
- `latexmk_shell_escape: true` – Allows shell commands (required for minted package)
- `-f` flag – Forces compilation to continue despite warnings
- `continue-on-error: true` – Prevents workflow failure on LaTeX warnings

9.1.6 Committing and Deploying the Workflow

After creating the workflow file, we committed it to the repository:

```
# Stage and commit the workflow
git add .github/workflows/compile-latex.yml
git commit -m "Add GitHub Actions workflow for LaTeX compilation"

# Push to GitHub (requires Personal Access Token with workflow scope)
git push origin master
```

9.1.7 Verification

After pushing the workflow, we verified its execution:

1. Navigate to the repository on GitHub: <https://github.com/Jgalligan1/Overleaf590>
2. Click the Actions tab
3. View the workflow run and check for successful completion
4. Download the compiled PDF from the Artifacts section or view it directly in the repository

Chapter 10

Grafana

– JGa, JGr, CS

In this chapter, we discuss the setup of Prometheus, Node Explorer, and Grafana. Prometheus is a tool that monitors and collects metrics from various targets. Node Exporter exposes detailed operating system metrics on the host including CPU, memory, disk, and network usage. Prometheus scrapes these metrics from Node Exporter and stores them for analysis and visualization in Grafana.

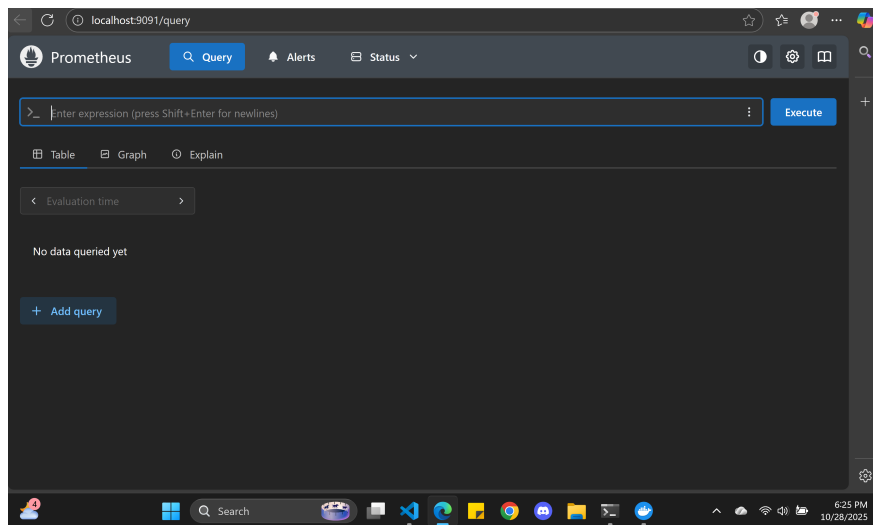


Figure 10.1: Prometheus running through Docker on <http://localhost:9091>.

Grafana provides dashboards that sync to the Prometheus data source, which can be refreshed at specified intervals, allowing for easy viewing of the host’s real-time system performance metrics. The Grafana Dashboard 1860, the “Node Exporter Full” dashboard, visualizes key indicators of system health, including CPU load, memory utilization, RAM usage, and disk I/O activity. Together, these tools create a stack that enables easy monitoring and diagnosis of performance issues on the host system, as seen in Figure 10.2.

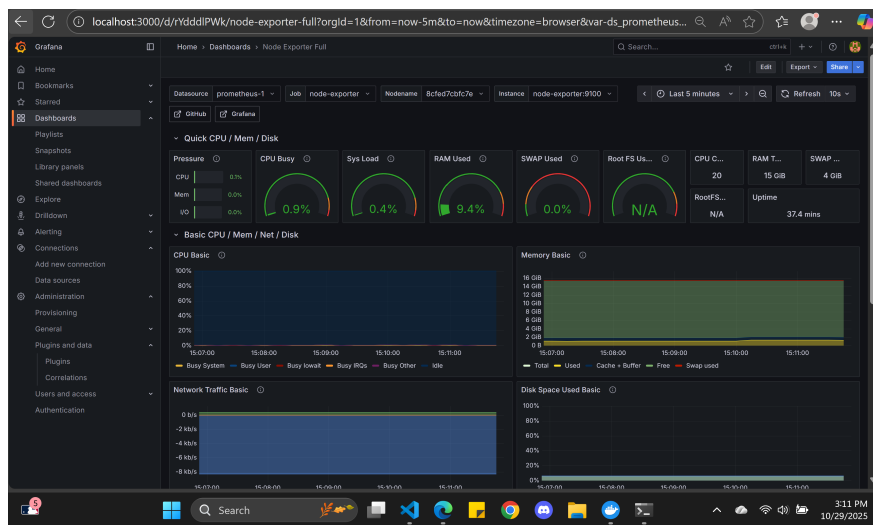


Figure 10.2: Live Grafana dashboard 1860 with local host performance metrics displayed.

Chapter 11

Jenkins Testing

– JG, CS

A Continuous Integration (CI) pipeline was created using Jenkins to automatically build and test a Python project hosted on GitHub. The process began by setting up a local Jenkins container through Docker and connecting it to a public GitHub repository. A declarative Jenkinsfile was written to define the pipeline stages, including dependency installation, test execution, and report generation.

The pipeline automatically cloned the repository, installed dependencies from requirements.txt, and executed unit tests using pytest. Jenkins then displayed the results in the console output, indicating that two tests passed and one failed intentionally to confirm that the CI process detects code errors correctly.

This setup demonstrates how Jenkins integrates with GitHub to automate testing and ensure code reliability after every change.

```
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ docker compose up -d
WARN[0000] /mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject/docker-compose.yml: the attribute 'version' is obsolete, it will be ignored, please remove it to avoid potential confusion
[+] Running 13/13
✓jenkins Pulled
✓696dec986add Pull complete
✓6d8ebc8a18e6 Pull complete
✓9e58f885f669 Pull complete
✓11c82e82e8c5 Pull complete
✓eba243d676e4 Pull complete
✓e29665228ac2 Pull complete
✓51148860bdcf Pull complete
✓04c220b9291b9 Pull complete
✓cc085fa97d253 Pull complete
✓7c2b9f447dae Pull complete
✓cae3b572364a Pull complete
✓b9bcce170b58 Pull complete
[+] Running 3/3
✓Network jenkinsproject_default Created
✓Volume "jenkinsproject_jenkins_home" Created
✓Container jenkins Started
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ docker exec -it jenkins cat /var/jenkins home/secrets/initialAdminPassword
```

Figure 11.1: Jenkins environment creation

```
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ mkdir tests
touch requirements.txt
touch Jenkinsfile
touch tests/test_sample.py
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ ls
Jenkinsfile  docker-compose.yml  requirements.txt  tests
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ nano requirements.txt
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$ nano tests/test_sample.py
jack@Jacktop:/mnt/c/Users/jack/Documents/DockerProjects/jenkinsProject$
```

Figure 11.2: Jenkins file creation

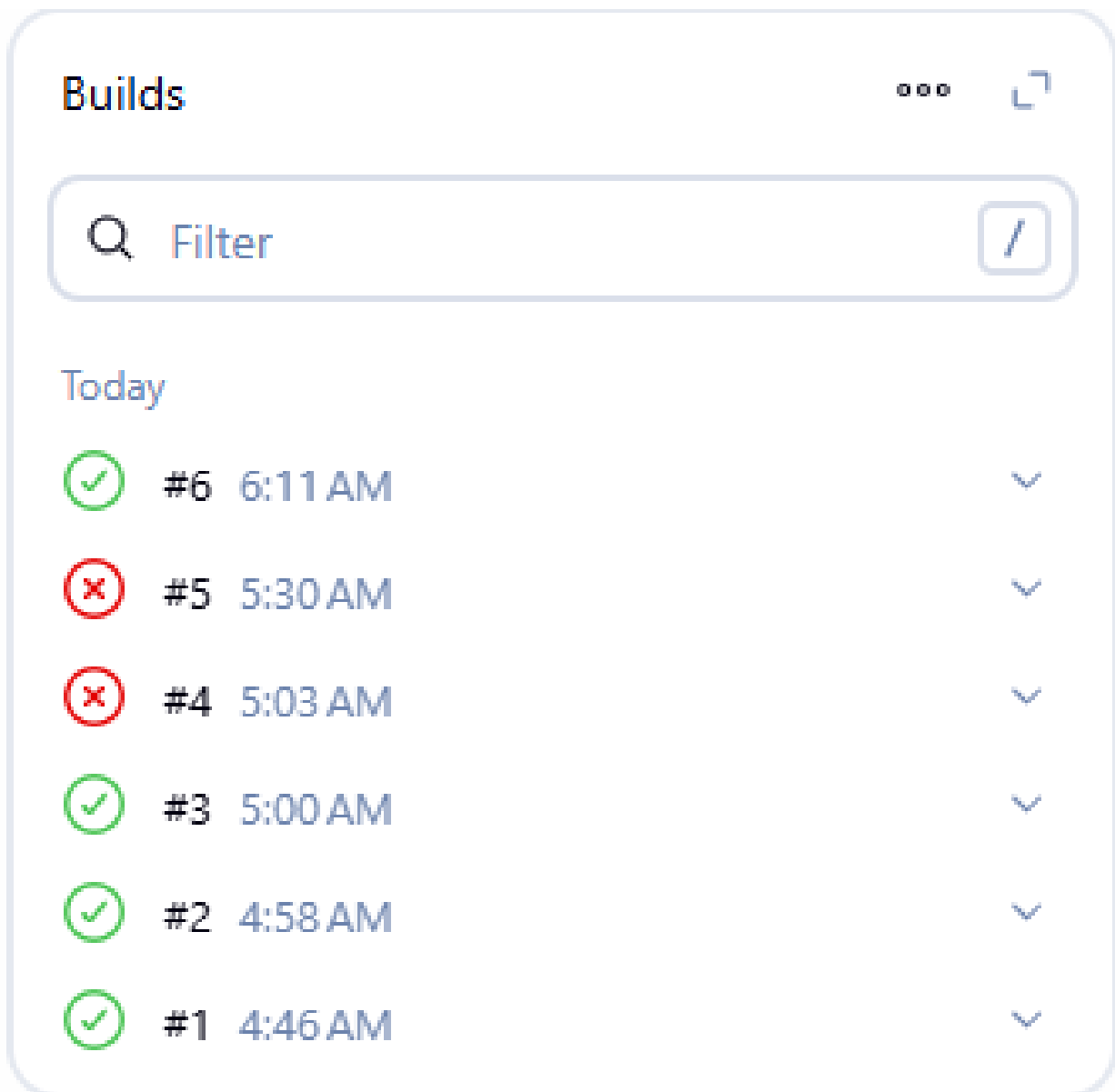


Figure 11.3: Jenkins overall testing

```
tests/test_sample.py ..F [100%]

===== FAILURES =====
_____ test_failure_example _____

    def test_failure_example():
>     assert 2 * 2 == 5 # This will fail intentionally
    ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
E     assert (2 * 2) == 5

tests/test_sample.py:8: AssertionError
- generated xml file: /var/jenkins_home/workspace/Python-Pytest-Demo/report.xml -
===== short test summary info =====
FAILED tests/test_sample.py::test_failure_example - assert (2 * 2) == 5
===== 1 failed, 2 passed in 0.02s =====

[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // stage
[Pipeline] stage
[Pipeline] { (Publish Report)
Stage "Publish Report" skipped due to earlier failure(s)
[Pipeline] getContext
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // stage
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // withEnv
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // node
[Pipeline] End of Pipeline
ERROR: script returned exit code 1
Finished: FAILURE
```

Figure 11.4: Jenkins failure testing

```
+ ./venv/bin/pytest --junitxml=report.xml
===== test session starts =====
platform linux -- Python 3.13.5, pytest-8.4.2, pluggy-1.6.0
rootdir: /var/jenkins_home/workspace/Python-Pytest-Demo
collected 3 items

tests/test_sample.py ... [100%]

- generated xml file: /var/jenkins_home/workspace/Python-Pytest-Demo/report.xml -
===== 3 passed in 0.01s =====
```

Figure 11.5: Jenkins success testing

Chapter 12

Docker Load Balancing with Nginx

– JG, CS

This project demonstrates a containerized load balancing setup using Docker and Nginx. The goal was to distribute incoming requests across multiple backend web servers to ensure reliability and scalability.

Environment Setup

The environment consists of three Nginx containers: two backend servers (web1 and web2) and one load balancer. Each backend container serves a unique static page to verify traffic distribution.

The containers were defined in a `docker-compose.yml` file, specifying the services, their networks, and volume mounts for the HTML content:

```
1 services:
2   web1:
3     image: nginx
4     volumes:
5       - ./web1:/usr/share/nginx/html
6     networks:
7       - lbnet
8
9   web2:
10    image: nginx
11    volumes:
12      - ./web2:/usr/share/nginx/html
13    networks:
14      - lbnet
15
16   loadbalancer:
17     image: nginx
18     ports:
19       - "8080:80"
20     volumes:
21       - ./nginx/nginx.conf:/etc/nginx/nginx.conf:ro
22     depends_on:
```



```
23     - web1
24     - web2
25     networks:
26     - lbnet
27
28 networks:
29     lbnet:
```

Listing 12.1: docker-compose.yml file

Load Balancer Configuration

The load balancer uses Nginx’s upstream directive to define the backend servers and distributes requests in a round-robin fashion. The configuration also forwards the original request headers to preserve client information:

```
1 events {}
2
3 http {
4     upstream backend {
5         server web1:80;
6         server web2:80;
7     }
8
9     server {
10        listen 80;
11
12        location / {
13            proxy_pass http://backend;
14            proxy_set_header Host $host;
15            proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
16        }
17    }
18 }
```

Listing 12.2: nginx.conf for the load balancer

Testing and Verification

After bringing up the containers using `docker compose up --build -d`, the backend servers responded with distinct pages. web1 displayed:

while web2 displayed:

Repeatedly accessing the load balancer endpoint confirmed that requests were alternated between the two backend servers, demonstrating successful round-robin load balancing. The overall setup can be visualized as follows:

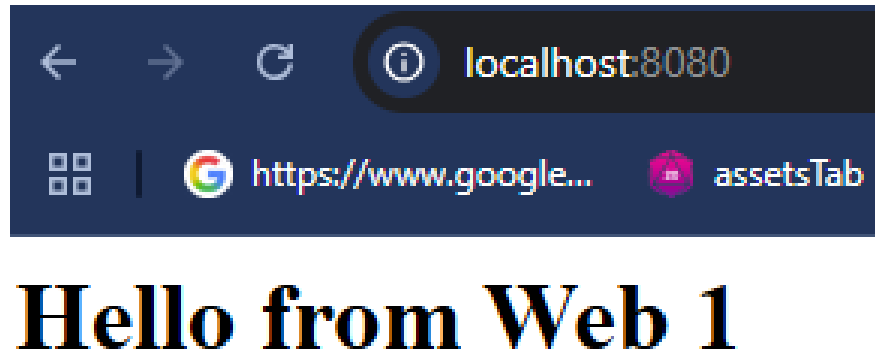


Figure 12.1: Response from web1 container

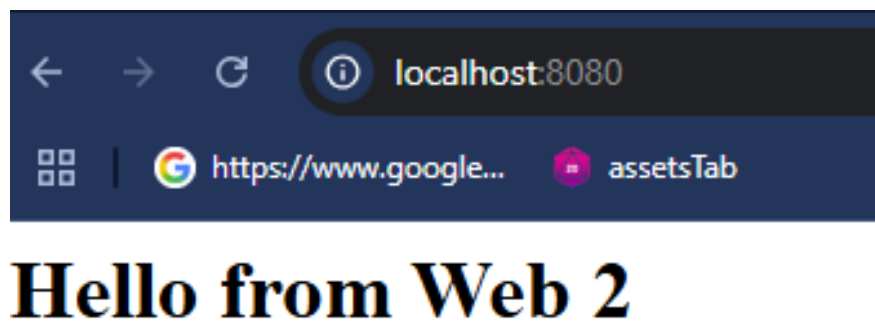


Figure 12.2: Response from web2 container

```
root@ubuntu-s-1vcpu-1gb-nyc3-01:~/load-balanced-app# curl http://localhost:8080
<h1>Hello from Web 1</h1>
root@ubuntu-s-1vcpu-1gb-nyc3-01:~/load-balanced-app# curl http://localhost:8080
<h1>Hello from Web 2</h1>
root@ubuntu-s-1vcpu-1gb-nyc3-01:~/load-balanced-app# curl http://localhost:8080
<h1>Hello from Web 1</h1>
root@ubuntu-s-1vcpu-1gb-nyc3-01:~/load-balanced-app# curl http://localhost:8080
<h1>Hello from Web 2</h1>
root@ubuntu-s-1vcpu-1gb-nyc3-01:~/load-balanced-app#
```

Figure 12.3: Docker network showing load balancer distributing requests to backend servers

Conclusion

The link to the load-balancer is here, at <http://157.245.10.33:8080/>

This project shows how Docker and Nginx can be combined to implement a simple load-balanced web service. The configuration ensures that multiple backend containers can serve traffic reliably and that scaling up is straightforward. By examining the responses from each container and observing alternating content at the load balancer endpoint, we verified that traffic distribution is working as expected.

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