Assignment 2: CI/CD Pipeline

System Design:

Our CI/CD pipeline works by leveraging github, github actions, jest testing, docker images and dockerhub to continually deploy the latest functional version of our application to our website.

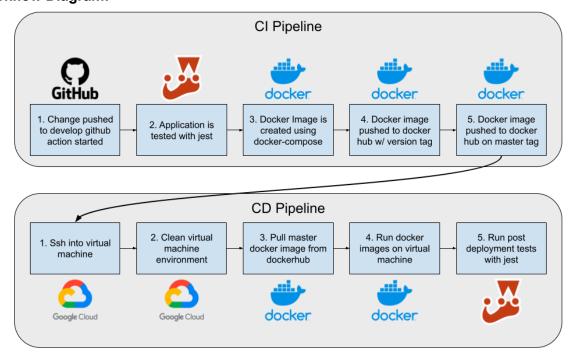
CI Pipeline:

- 1. A change is pushed to develop where a github action is then started.
- 2. The github runs tests to see if the currently pushed version passes all steps. If so we move on.
- We construct a docker image (using docker compose and other dockerfiles) for our application's frontend and backend
- 4. We push these two images to docker hub on with a version tag that is the github push tag
- 5. We then push these two images again to docker hub on the master branch

CD Pipeline:

- 1. Login to our GCP virtual machine which is hosting our application
- Clean virtual machine environment (stopping and removing previous images)
- 3. Retrieve the master version of our docker images from docker hub and store it our virtual machine
- 4. We launch our docker images on the GCP virtual machine so it is visible to all users
- 5. We use jest tests again to ensure post deployment our application is functioning properly

Workflow Diagram:



Tools:

- Github: To store our application with proper version control
- Github actions: To handle the CI/CD workflow
- Jest testing: To ensure our application's functionality
- Docker images: To create our application's images
- Docker Hub: To store and manage all application images

Step by Step Workflow Breakdown:

Firstly, let us go over how we complete the CI Pipeline according to assignment 2

CI Pipeline:

1. Push your code to GitLab, including all necessary dependencies, and prepare it for running tests. (10 marks):

The following is our CI-Pipeline github action that does the following: It creates an environment, tests application and if it fails halt workflow, creates .env for our application (frontend and backend), and finally constructs application in the form of 2 docker images.

```
CI-PIPELINE:
   runs-on: ubuntu-latest
   steps:
     # Step 1: Installs needed dependencies to set up our code
      - name: Checkout Code
       uses: actions/checkout@v3
      - name: Install Node.js
       uses: actions/setup-node@v3
       with:
         node-version: 18
     # Step 2: Tests code too ensure it passes all tests
      - name: Run frontend tests
       run: cd course-matrix/frontend && npm install && npm run test
      - name: Run backend tests
        run: cd course-matrix/backend && npm install && npm run test
     # Step 3: Set up Docker Buildx
     - name: Set up Docker Buildx
       uses: docker/setup-buildx-action@v2
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# Step 4: Sets our our application's environment
     - name: setup application env
       run:
         cd course-matrix
         # Update frontend .env
         cd frontend
         echo "VITE_SERVER_URL=\"http://34.130.253.243:8081\"" > .env && \
         echo "VITE_PUBLIC_ASSISTANT_BASE_URL=\"${{
echo "VITE_ASSISTANT_UI_KEY=\"${{ secrets.VITE_ASSISTANT_UI_KEY }}\""
         # Update backend .env
         cd ../backend
         echo "NODE_ENV=\"development\"" > .env && \
         echo "PORT=8081" >> .env && \
         echo "CLIENT_APP_URL=\"http://34.130.253.243:5173\"" >> .env && \
         echo "DATABASE_URL=\"${{ secrets.DATABASE_URL }}\"" >> .env && \
         echo "DATABASE_KEY=\"${{ secrets.DATABASE_KEY }}\"" >> .env && \
         echo "OPENAI_API_KEY=\"${{ secrets.OPENAI_API_KEY }}\"" >> .env && \
         echo "PINECONE_API_KEY=\"${{ secrets.PINECONE_API_KEY }}\"" >> .env &&
         echo "PINECONE_INDEX_NAME=\"course-matrix\"" >> .env && \
         echo "BREVO_API_KEY=\"${{ secrets.BREVO_API_KEY }}\"" >> .env && \
         echo "SENDER_EMAIL=\"${{ secrets.SENDER_EMAIL }}\"" >> .env && \
         echo "SENDER NAME=\"Course Matrix Notifications\"" >> .env
         cd ../
     # Step 5: Logging in to dockerhub
     - name: Log in to Docker Hub
       uses: docker/login-action@v3
       with:
         username: ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME }}
         password: ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_TOKEN }}
```

2. Build a Docker image for your master branch and push it to Docker Hub. (10 marks):

Here we tag the create images with master before pushing it, ensuring that master branch only has the latest functional version of our application.

3. Build a Docker image that includes all required dependencies and push it to Docker Hub with an appropriate version. (10 marks):

Here we create the docker images for frontend and backend, tag them with version number (which is the git push tag) and push the two images to dockerhub.

```
# Step 6: Build all required docker images
- name: Build Docker Image
run: |
    cd course-matrix
    docker compose build

# Step 7: Check if images exist before tagging
- name: List Docker Images (Debugging)
    run: docker images

# Step 8: Tags created images with version using github commit tags
- name: Tag Images With Version
    run: |
        docker tag course-matrix/frontend:latest ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME}}}/course-matrix-frontend:${{ github.sha }}
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docker tag course-matrix/backend:latest ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-backend:${{ github.sha }}

# Step 9: Push Docker images version to Docker Hub
- name: Push Docker images version to Docker Hub
run: |
    docker push ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-frontend:${{ github.sha }}
    docker push ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME }}/course-matrix-backend:${{ github.sha }}
```

CD Pipeline:

1. Pull the container from Docker Hub and deploy it on any containerized engine based on your preference. (10 marks):

Here we ssh connect into our GCP virtual machine where we then pull our master branch images from docker hub and run them in our virtual machine.

```
CD-PIPELINE:
   needs: CI-PIPELINE
   runs-on: ubuntu-latest
   steps:
     - name: Checkout Code
       uses: actions/checkout@v3
     # Step 12: Connect to virtual machine
     - name: Setup SSH Connection
        run:
         echo "${{ secrets.GCP_SSH_PRIVATE_KEY }}" > private_key
          chmod 600 private key
     - name: Deploy to Google Cloud VM
        run:
          ssh -i private_key -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no ${{ secrets.GCP_USERNAME
}}@${{ secrets.GCP_VM_IP }} << 'EOF'</pre>
            cd
/home/masahisasekita/term-group-project-c01w25-project-course-matrix || { echo
"Error: Directory /root/myapp does not exist!"; exit 1; }
            # Step 13: Clears deployment environment
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```
sudo docker stop $(sudo docker ps -q)
sudo docker rmi -f $(sudo docker images -q)
sudo docker system prune -a --volumes -f

# Step 14: Pull the latest images
sudo docker pull ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-frontend:master
sudo docker pull ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-backend:master

# Step 15: Run the docker containers
sudo docker run -d -p 5173:5173 ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-frontend:master
sudo docker run -d -p 8081:8081 ${{ secrets.DOCKERHUB_USERNAME
}}/course-matrix-backend:master
```

2. Set up automated testing for the deployed container to ensure its functionality and performance. (10 marks):

Here we first run docker ps to verify if our images are actually deployed and running. We then run our jest tests again to validate the functionality of our deployed application.