

Lab 6

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Setting-up

1. Create Docker network

Command: `docker network create pgnet`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker network create pgnet
dca58e29d8863427a9a913c94f3b4d52e916165da70a025a8d19fe3f834b2f82
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6>
```

2. Create Postgres Container

- 2.1 Pull the Postgres image from repositories.

Command: `docker pull postgres`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker pull postgres
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from library/postgres
bb79b6b2107f: Pull complete
e3dc51fa2b56: Pull complete
f213b6f96d81: Pull complete
2780ac832fde: Pull complete
ae5ceela3f12: Pull complete
95db3c06319e: Pull complete
475ca72764d5: Pull complete
8d602872ecae: Pull complete
c4fca31f2e3d: Pull complete
a00c442835e0: Pull complete
2e2305af3390: Pull complete
6cff852bb872: Pull complete
25bb0be11543: Pull complete
4738c099c4ad: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:8f7c3c9b61d82a4a021da5d9618faf056633e089302a726d619fa467c73609e4
Status: Downloaded newer image for postgres:latest
docker.io/library/postgres:latest
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6>
```

- 2.2 Run container using Postgres image. Connect it to the network pgnet

Command: `docker run --network pgnet --name pg1 \`
`-e POSTGRES_PASSWORD=secret -d postgres`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker run --network pgnet --name pg1
-e POSTGRES_PASSWORD=secret -d postgres
fd0ba98dfaf649d04a525f6cf7c9889981837c73152f089f59fc030182a9e36a
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6>
```

3. Init Postgres Container

- 3.1 Find the IP address of postgres database in container.

Command: `docker container inspect pg1 \`
`-f '{{.NetworkSettings.Networks.pgnet.IPAddress}}'`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker container inspect pg1 -f
'{{.NetworkSettings.Networks.pgnet.IPAddress}}'
172.18.0.3
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6>
```

- 3.2 Use init.sql to build table in database.

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> cat init.sql
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS pathcount (
    path TEXT PRIMARY KEY,
    count INT DEFAULT 0
);
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6>
```

3.3 Use init.sql to initialize database.

Command: `Get-Content init.sql | docker run -it --rm --network pgnet \`
`-e PGPASSWORD=secret postgres psql -h 172.18.0.3 -U postgres`

But I got an 'Input device is not a TTY' error.

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> Get-Content init.sql | docker run -it --rm --network pgnet -e PGPASSWORD=secret postgres psql -h 172.18.0.3 -U postgres
the input device is not a TTY.  If you are using mintty, try prefixing the command with 'winpty'
```

Command: `Get-Content init.sql | docker run -i --rm --network pgnet \`
`-e PGPASSWORD=secret postgres psql -h 172.18.0.3 -U postgres`

Using `-i` can work.

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> Get-Content init.sql | docker run -i --rm --network pgnet -e PGPASSWORD=secret postgres psql -h 172.18.0.3 -U postgres
NOTICE: relation "pathcount" already exists, skipping
CREATE TABLE
```

Create service Container

1. Package requirements

I wrote my web application by using Python and Flask. And I need to install Flask for creating application, psycopg2 for working with postgresql database, and pyhocon to handle environment variables.

2. Environment Variables

I defined all configuration variables in environment variables. And setting the variables in db.conf file, which will be loaded in application.

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> cat .\db.conf
databases {
  "postgres" = {
    host = 172.18.0.3
    user = "postgres"
    database = "postgres"
    password = "secret"
  }
}
```

3. Code Files

I wrote application file in main.py and HTML file in index.html

4. Then I built my container using Dockerfile.

Command: `docker build -t pathcount .`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> cat .\Dockerfile
FROM python
RUN mkdir /app
COPY . /app/
WORKDIR /app
RUN pip install Flask \
    pyhocon \
    psycpg2
EXPOSE 8080
CMD ["python", "main.py"]
```

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker build -t pathcount .
[+] Building 181.1s (10/10) FINISHED
```

- Then ran service container in port 10080.

Command: `docker run -it --name=pc_container0 --network pgnet -p 10080:8080 pathcount`

```
PS E:\isi\cloud computing\cloud_computing_lab\lab6> docker run -it --name=pc_container0 --network pgnet -p 10080:8080 pathcount
* Serving Flask app "main" (lazy loading)
* Environment: production
  WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment.
  Use a production WSGI server instead.
* Debug mode: on
* Running on http://0.0.0.0:8080/ (Press CTRL+C to quit)
* Restarting with stat
* Debugger is active!
* Debugger PIN: 181-155-360
```

- Finally, go to localhost:10080 on browser and the page show like this.



Paths	Count
/	10
/content	3
/coten	1
/count	5
/counts	2
/favicon.ico	13
/path	3

Questions

- Why did we create a special network instead of exposing the host network?**
It can isolate the database from host network, which can ensure data security.
- Why didn't we use exposed ports everywhere (that they exist)?**
It use docker bridge network to isolate the database in postgres container. If we use exposed ports, the database may be exposed in outside attacks.
- What could happen if you didn't use SQL parameters, but relied on string formatting for setting the path in your queries?**

The application will be easily attacked by SQL injection attacks.

- **Why is that particularly important in this setup? What makes those parameters potentially dangerous?**

The parameters didn't be filtered and checked when running the container. So there are potential threats that parameter can be used in injection attacks.

- **The bridge network we define only works on a single host. What would you have to do to make these containers talk to each other if they were running on different host machines?**

If the containers are running on different host machines, I would use the host network like I did in this lab.

- **What parts of this did you wish were simpler? Which parts seemed unnecessarily difficult?**

The most difficult things I met in this lab is that I firstly tried to set up the container in VirtualBox, however I didn't left enough disk space for this lab. So I have to delete file but still no enough space. I hope if possible we can put the space requirements in the lab document, then I will not waste so much time. And the -it stuff in instrument couldn't use in lab. I think that is unnecessarily difficult.