

UNIT 5. ACTIVITY 2: GITLAB

Web Applications Deployment CFGS DAW

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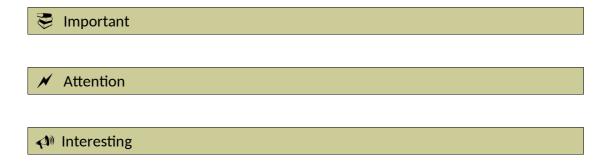
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Nomenclature

During this unit we are going to use special symbols to distinct some important elements. This symbols are:



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1. INTRODUCTION

In this activity we are going to explain about the platform GitLab, create an account and explain how to use it.

To do this activity you can use your own physical machine or a virtual machine (Linuxserver for instance). I will do this activity in Ubuntu. Remember that we need Internet connection.

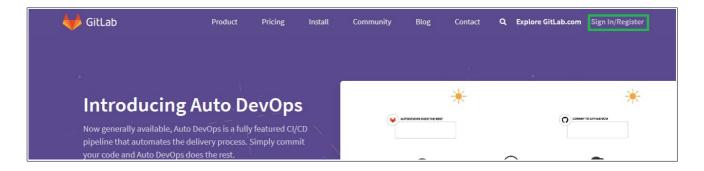
2. GITLAB

GitLab is a web-based Git-repository manager with MIT license which it provides wiki, issue-tracking and CI/CD pipeline.

It offers an integrated solution covering the whole DevOps lifecycle. (We talk about it in unit 7). You can find information about it in the GitLab official web site: https://about.gitlab.com/stages-devops-lifecycle/

2.1 Register

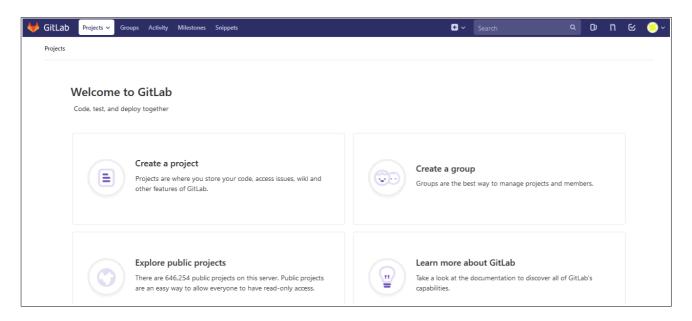
First, we have to register in GitLab so we go to the official site: https://about.gitlab.com/, click on Sign In/Register:



Fill the form and click on Register:

Sign in	Register
Full name	
Username	
Email	
Email confirmation	
Password	
Minimum length is 8 charac	ters
□ I accept the Terms of Se	rvice and Privacy Policy
□ I'd like to receive updat	es via email about GitLab.
No soy un robot	reCAPTCHA Privacidad - Condiciones
Reg	ister
Sign in with	
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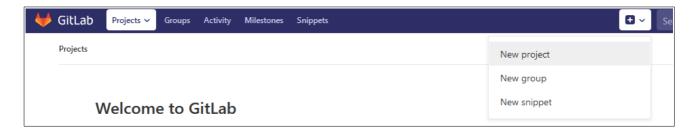
Check your email to confirm our account, sign in and we will be in:



Now we are going to work with GitLab following the tutorials in https://docs.gitlab.com.

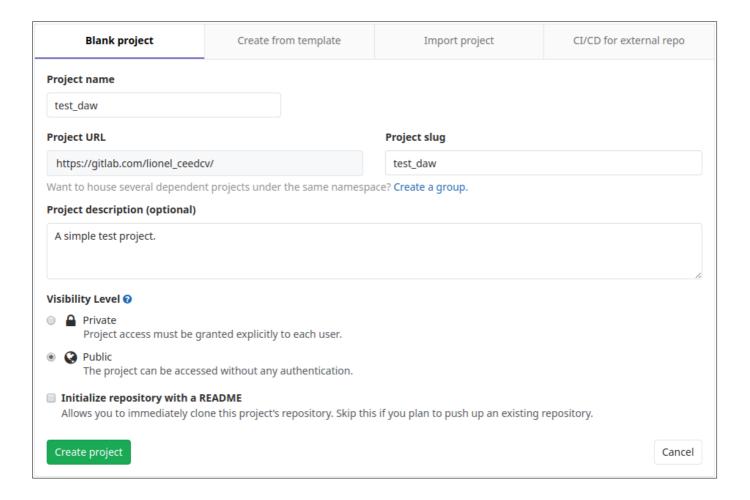
2.2 Create a project

To create a new project from the platform we have to click on the button + and then New Project:

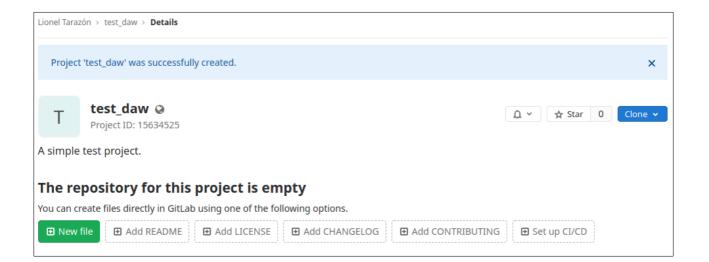


We can create a blank project, from a template or import from GitHub, Bitbucket, etc, even use continuous integration (CI) and continuous delivery (CD) (we will see these concepts in unit 7).

Now, we are going to create a blank project. For that, we have to indicate the project name (test_daw in my case), the description and the visibility level, (I have choose public so all of you can see it) and click on the button Create project:



And our project is created:



We can see buttons to add files, a Readme file, license, etc.

Also some command line instructions to connect and manage the repository from your computer.

Command line instructions

You can also upload existing files from your computer using the instructions below.

Git global setup

```
git config --global user.name "Lionel Tarazón"
git config --global user.email "lionelmanuel.tarazon@ceedcv.es"
```

Create a new repository

```
git clone https://gitlab.com/lionel_ceedcv/test_daw.git
cd test_daw
touch README.md
git add README.md
git commit -m "add README"
git push -u origin master
```

Push an existing folder

```
cd existing_folder
git init
git remote add origin https://gitlab.com/lionel_ceedcv/test_daw.git
git add .
git commit -m "Initial commit"
git push -u origin master
```

Push an existing Git repository

```
cd existing_repo
git remote rename origin old-origin
git remote add origin https://gitlab.com/lionel_ceedcv/test_daw.git
git push -u origin --all
git push -u origin --tags
```

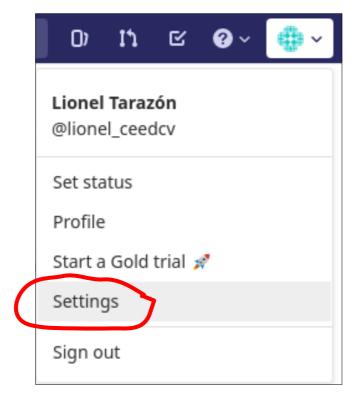
2.3 Add an SSH Key

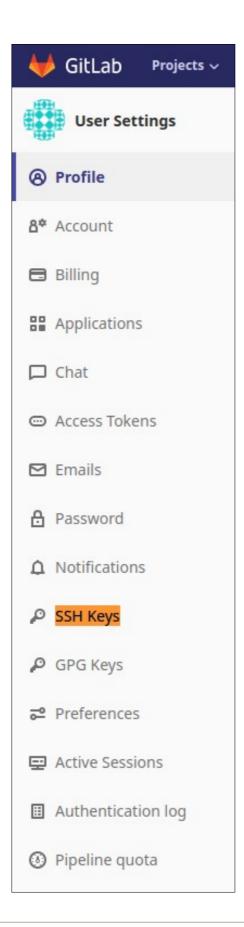
If we take a look at the top of the page we can see this warning:

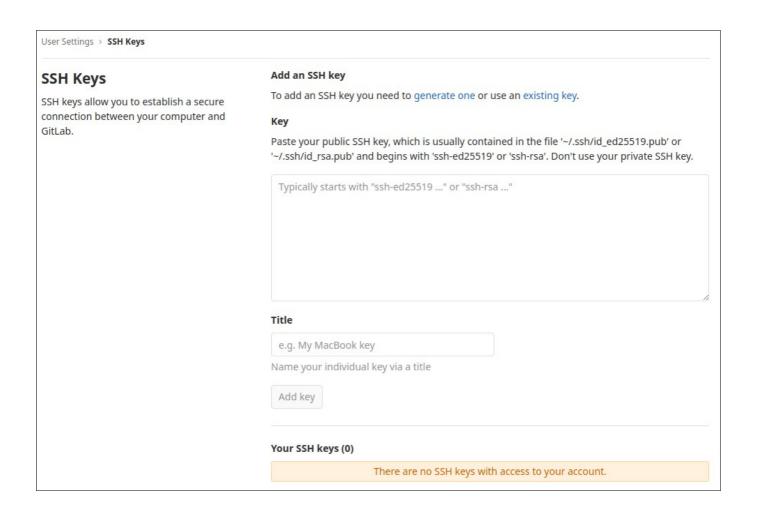
You won't be able to pull or push project code via SSH until you add an SSH key to your profile

SSH keys are necessary to stablish a secure encrypted connection between your computer and Gitlab.

Click on add an SSH key in the warning or click on SSH keys in Settings > User Settings







Here is where we are going to paste our public SSH key. Remember that we have to use the public key not the private.

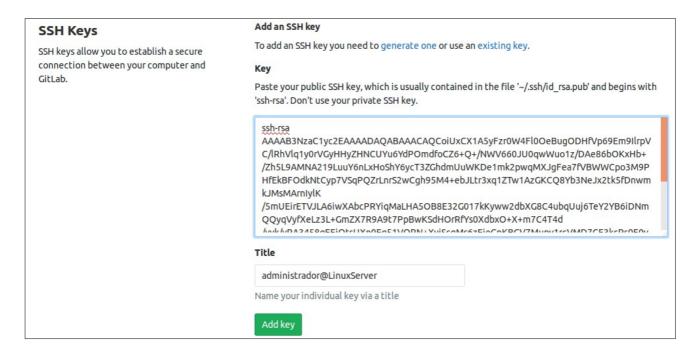
Now we have to generate an SSH key. For that, we click on *generate one* and follow the instructions.

First, we write the command *ssh-keygen -t rsa -C "your.email@example.com" -b 4096* in the terminal where you are working: the virtual machine (Linuxserver or other) or your physical one. (In this case we will use the *username@hostname* to generate the SSH key because is the machine where we will connect to GitLab. In my case, *administrador@LinuxServer*)

We can see the content of the file with our public SSH key:

administrador@LinuxServer:~\$ cat /home/administrador/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAACAQCoiUxCX1A5yFzr0W4Fl00eBug0DHfVp69Em9IlrpVC/lRhVl
q1y0rVGyHHyZHNCUYu6YdPOmdfoCZ6+Q+/NWV660JU0qwWuo1z/DAe86bOKxHb+/Zh5L9AMNA219LuuY6nLxHo
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1nNFKaogKcAa70DzE0vWejp7kKe6JZVSRQ== administrador@LinuxServer

This is the key we have to use in GitLab, so we copy it and paste in the GitLab page, write a title and click on *Add key* button



And we have our public SSH key added in Gitlab:



If we click on *SSH keys* again we could see our SSH Keys in the bottom of the page. We can add all keys we want:



Now that the administrador@LinuxServer SSH key has been added **we will be able to connect to the Gitlab repository using a Linux terminal** from administrador@LinuxServer (or whatever user@host you used). We will do that in **section 2.10** of this activity.

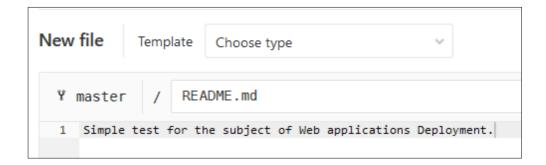
2.4 Add the Readme file

A Readme file contains information about the project. Its extension is md.

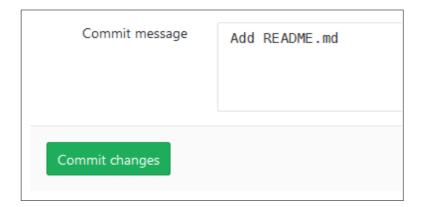
First of all, we are going to create a Readme file. For that, we have to click on the *Add Readme* button:



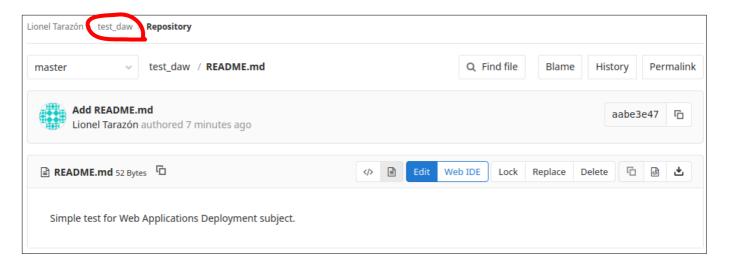
Now, we write the content of the file. We can see that we are in the *master* branch (created by default).

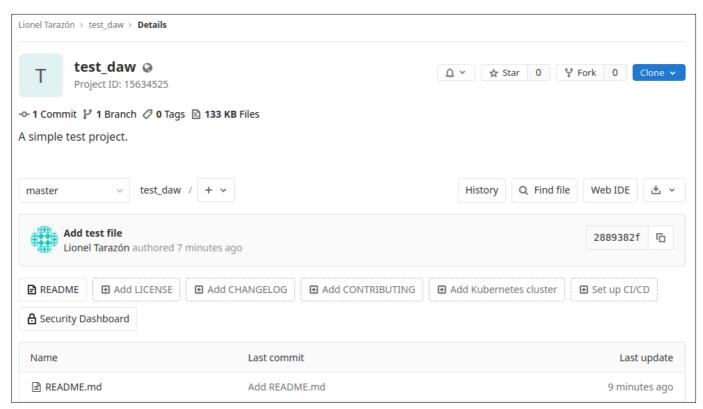


Once the file is written we add a message to do the commit and click on the *Commit changes* button:



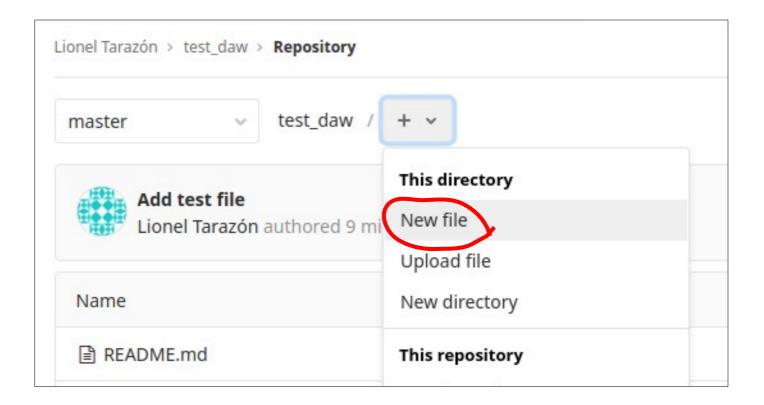
And we can see the file into our repository and if we click on *test_daw* we can see its content:



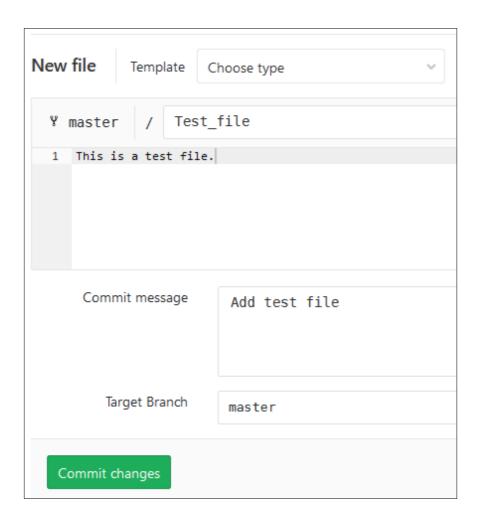


2.5 Add files

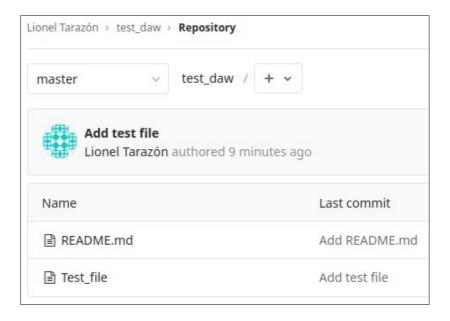
Now we are going to add a file to our repository. We can create a new file or upload it. For that, we have to click on the + icon:



If we click on **New file** we could create and edit an empty file. We write its name, its content, the commit message and the target branch (*master*, the only we have) and click on **Commit changes** button:



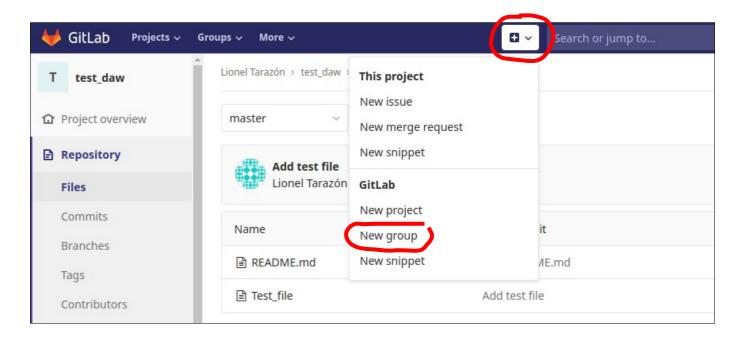
And we will have a new file in our repository:



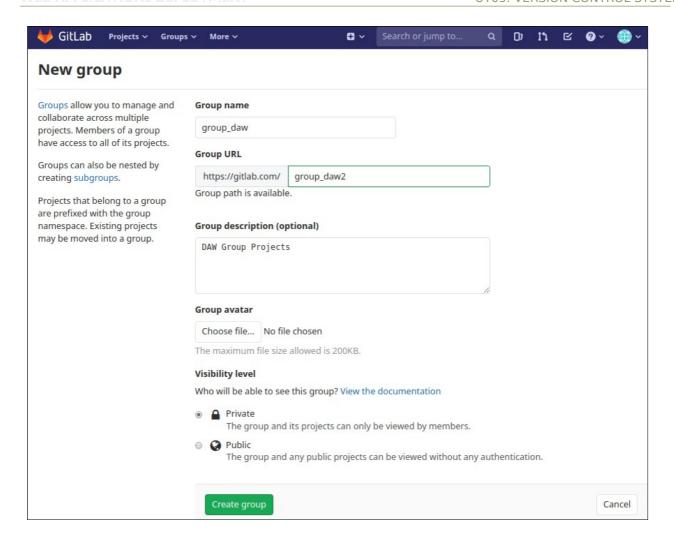
Also we can upload files. To do so, we have to click on + icon and then **Upload file**, and choose the file we want to upload.

2.6 Create groups

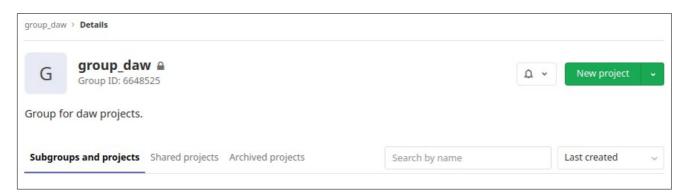
A group is a collection of projects. To create a new group we have to click on + icon and then New group:



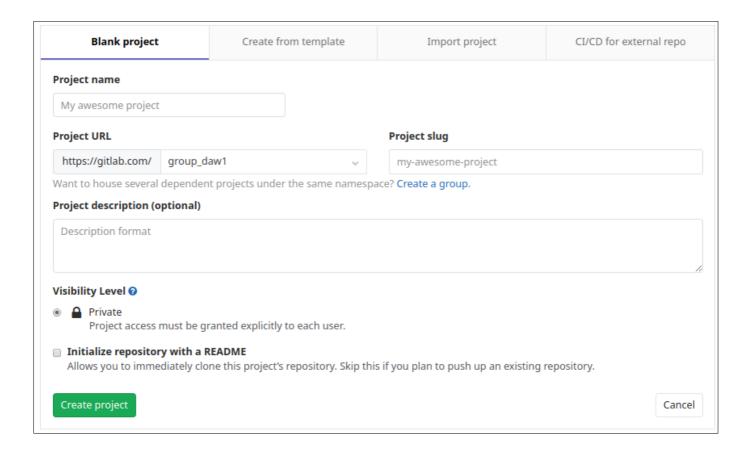
Now we have to give a name to the group, a description, choose the visibility and click on the **Create group** button. We are going to create a group for our projects:



And we have our group:

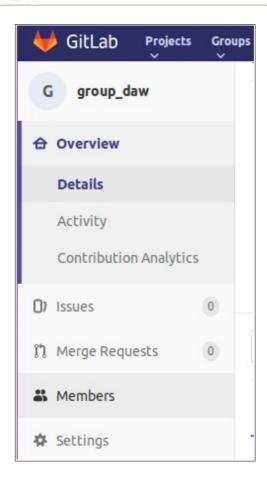


If we click on the **New project** button we can create new project inside this group:



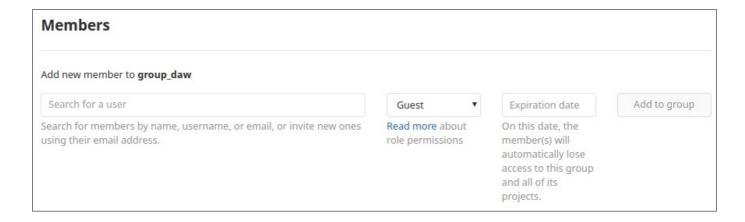
It's often useful to add members to a group so that different people can add projects and collaborate.

To add members you first need to go to the Group main page and click on *Members* (on the left side menu).



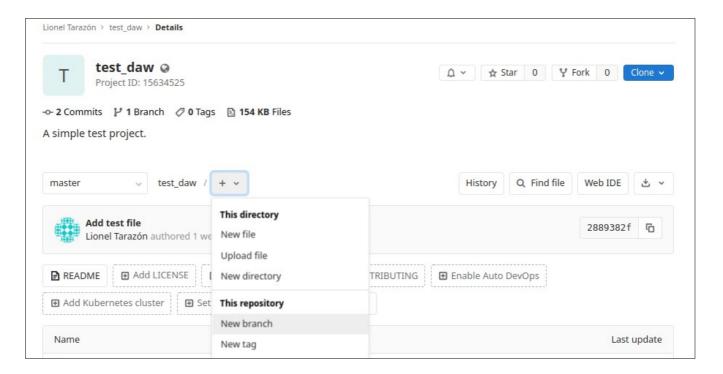
You can search members by their name, username or email. Then, set their role permission (in https://gitlab.com/help/user/permissions.html you could see a table with the user permission levels), the expiration date and click on *Add to group* button.

If you wish you can add other classmates to your group. You can also add me using my e-mail lionelmanuel.tarazon@ceedcv.es and I will tell you if it worked.

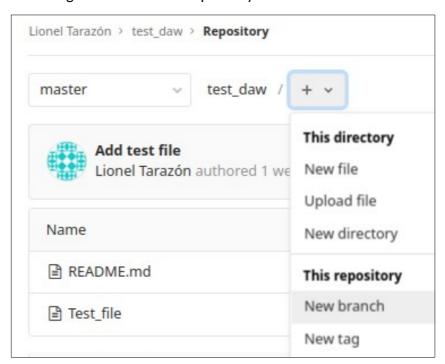


2.7 Create a new branch

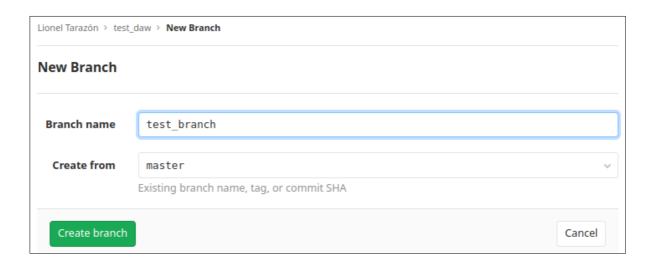
Now we are going to create a new branch in our project *test_daw*. To do so we have to click on the + icon and then click on *New branch*:



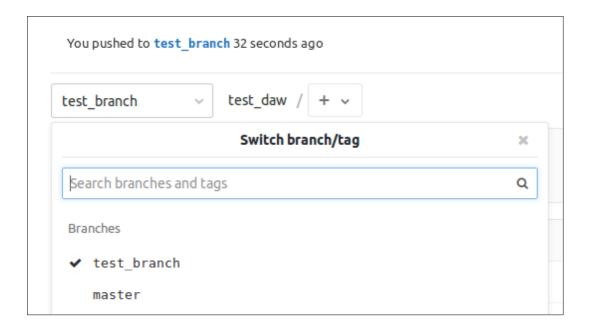
Also you can do it using the + icon in the repository view:



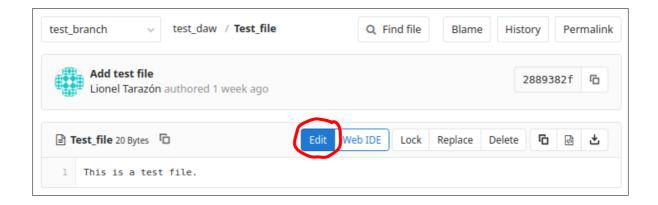
Now we have to write the branch name and select from what branch it will be created (in this case we only have one, the *master* branch) and click on *Create branch*:



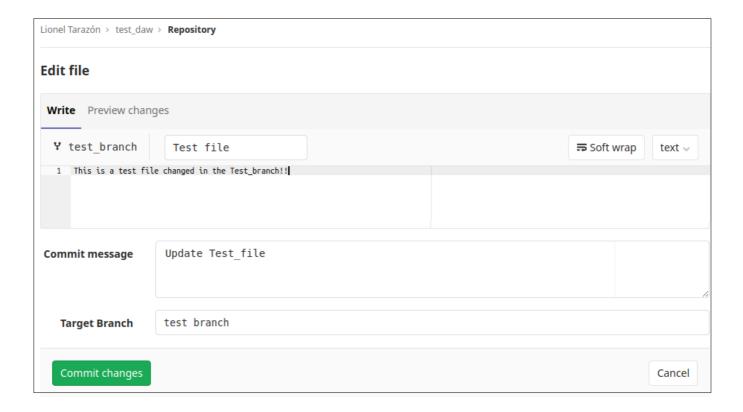
Now we can switch the branch clicking in its name:



Now we are going to modify the *Test_file* file in the *test_branch* branch and do a commit, then we will merge the changes to the *master* branch. To do so first we choose the *test_branch*, click on the *Test_file* file and click on *Edit* (we will edit it using the GitLab Web Editor):



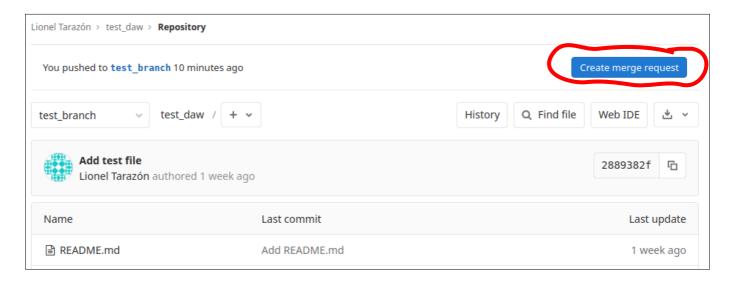
We change the content, write a message for the commit and click on the *Commit changes* button (make sure the target branch is *test_branch*):



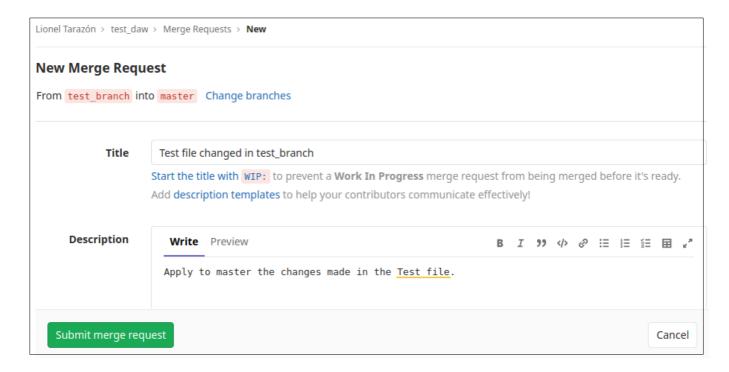
2.8 Create a merge request

Having different branches is useful to keep different working versions of your software and to colaborate with others in the same project. After making changes to a branch it can be useful to merge those change into the master branch. Lets do it.

Click on the **Create merge request** button.

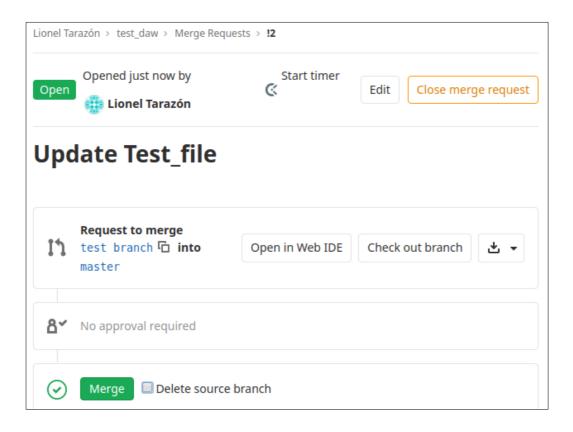


Now we write a title, a description and do the request merge from *test_branch* to *master* clicking on the *Submit merge request* button:

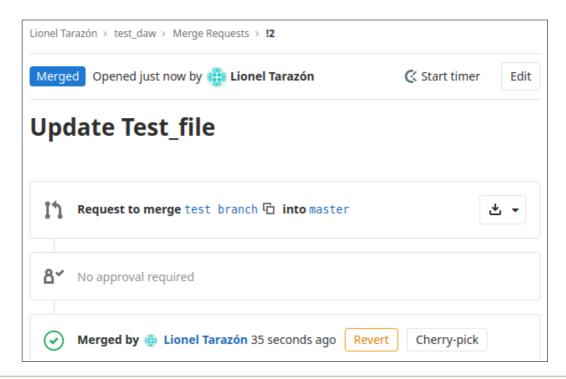


Finally, we can do the merge clicking on the *Merge* button.

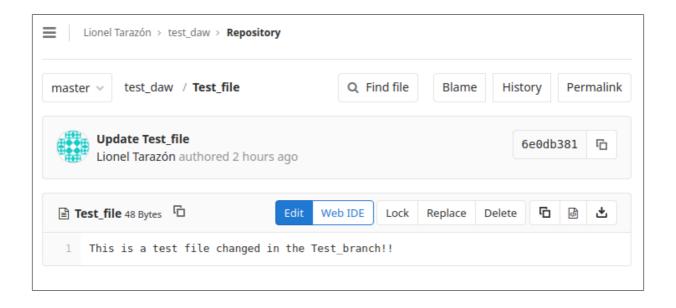
Important: Careful with the "delete source branch" tick box. If you select it, the test_branch you are merging will be deleted after the merge.



And the merge is done:



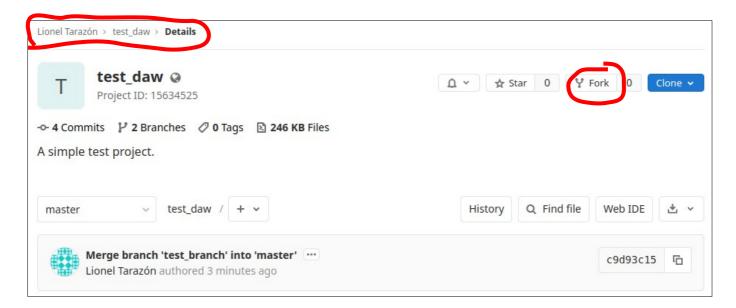
Now if we take a look at the *Test_file* file from *master* we can see the changes:



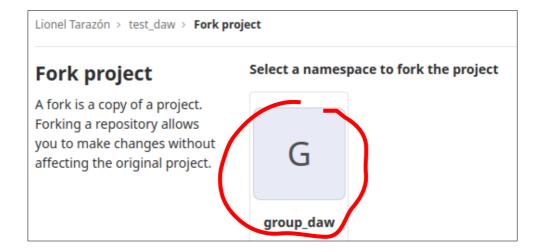
2.9 Fork a project

A fork is a copy of a project. Forking a repository allows you to make changes without affecting the original project.

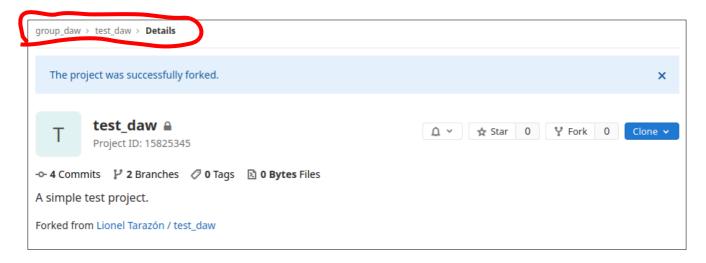
Now we are going to fork our project clicking on the *Fork* button in our project dashboard:



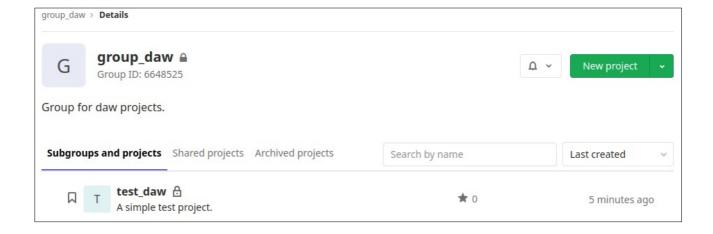
Now we have to choose where the fork will be done. In our case, we only can choose our group group_daw:



And the project will be forked. Now there are **two different copies of the test_daw repository**, one in **our personal repositories** and another one in **the group_daw group**.



Now if we access to our group *group_daw* we can see that it contains our project forked:



2.10 Using the command line

Now we are going to use the command line to work with our GitLab repository from our Linux machine. Make sure to use the same computer from which you created the SSH Key in section 2.3 of this activity. First of all we have to install Git in our machine:

```
administrador@LinuxServer:~$ sudo apt-get install git
```

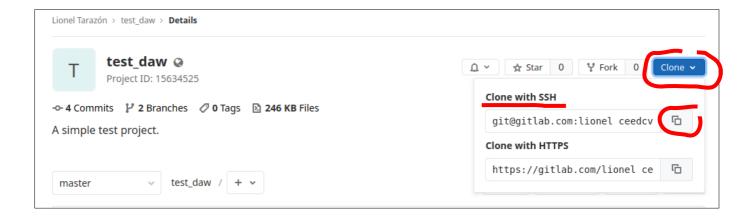
Now we have to add our GitLab username and email:

```
administrador@LinuxServer:~$ git config --global user.name "your_gitlab_username"
administrador@LinuxServer:~$ git config --global user.email "your_gitlab_email"
```

You can check the information added using:

```
administrador@LinuxServer:~$ git config --global --list
```

Now we are going to connect via SSH to our GitLab repository and clone it to our computer. Frist we need the project address (we can copy it from the project details).



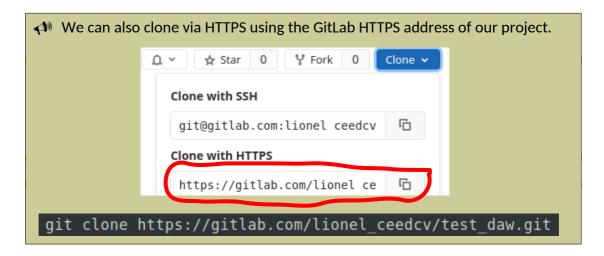
Now lets clone the repository. We will need to write the password of the private key we created In section 2.3 of this activity.

git clone git@gitlab.com:lionel_ceedcv/test_daw.git

8 🖨	Unlock private key
0	Enter password to unlock the private key
£[1]	An application wants access to the private key 'administrador@LinuxServer', but it is locked
	Password:
	Automatically unlock this key whenever I'm logged in
	Cancel Unlock

And the repository will be cloned to you computer:

```
Cloning into 'test_daw'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 14, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (14/14), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (11/11), done.
remote: Total 14 (delta 2), reused 0 (delta 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (14/14), done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (2/2), done.
Checking connectivity... done.
```

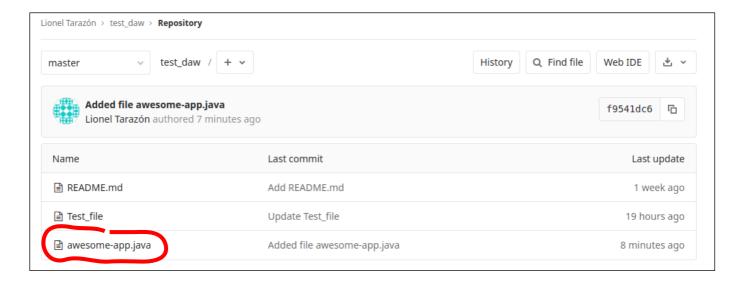


Now we can work with the repository in our local computer. For instance, lets create a new file, and add it to the repository doing using git add and git commit.

```
lionel@lionel:~$ cd test daw/
lionel@lionel:~/test daw$ ls
README.md Test file
lionel@lionel:~/test_daw$ touch awesome-app.java
lionel@lionel:~/test daw$ ls
awesome-app.java README.md Test file
lionel@lionel:~/test_daw$ git add awesome-app.java
lionel@lionel:~/test daw$ git status
En la rama master
Tu rama está actualizada con 'origin/master'.
Cambios a ser confirmados:
  (usa "git reset HEAD <archivo>..." para sacar del área de stage)
lionel@lionel:~/test_daw$ git commit -m "Added file awesome-app.java"
[master f9541dc] Added file awesome-app.java
1 file changed, 0 insertions(+), 0 deletions(-)
create mode 100644 awesome-app.java
lionel@lionel:~/test daw$
```

And finally we push it to GitLab:

If we take a look at our GitLab repository we can see the new file has been added.



When other collaborators working on this project do a git pull, their local repository will be updated.