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Activity 11: Containerization

1. Objectives

Create a Dockerfile and form a workflow using Ansible as Infrastructure as Code (IaC) to enable Continuous Delivery process

2. Discussion

Docker is an open platform for developing, shipping, and running applications. Docker enables you to separate your applications from your infrastructure so you can deliver software quickly. With Docker, you can manage your infrastructure in the same ways you manage your applications. By taking advantage of Docker's methodologies for shipping, testing, and deploying code quickly, you can significantly reduce the delay between writing code and running it in production.

Source: https://docs.docker.com/get-started/overview/

You may also check the difference between containers and virtual machines. Click the link given below.

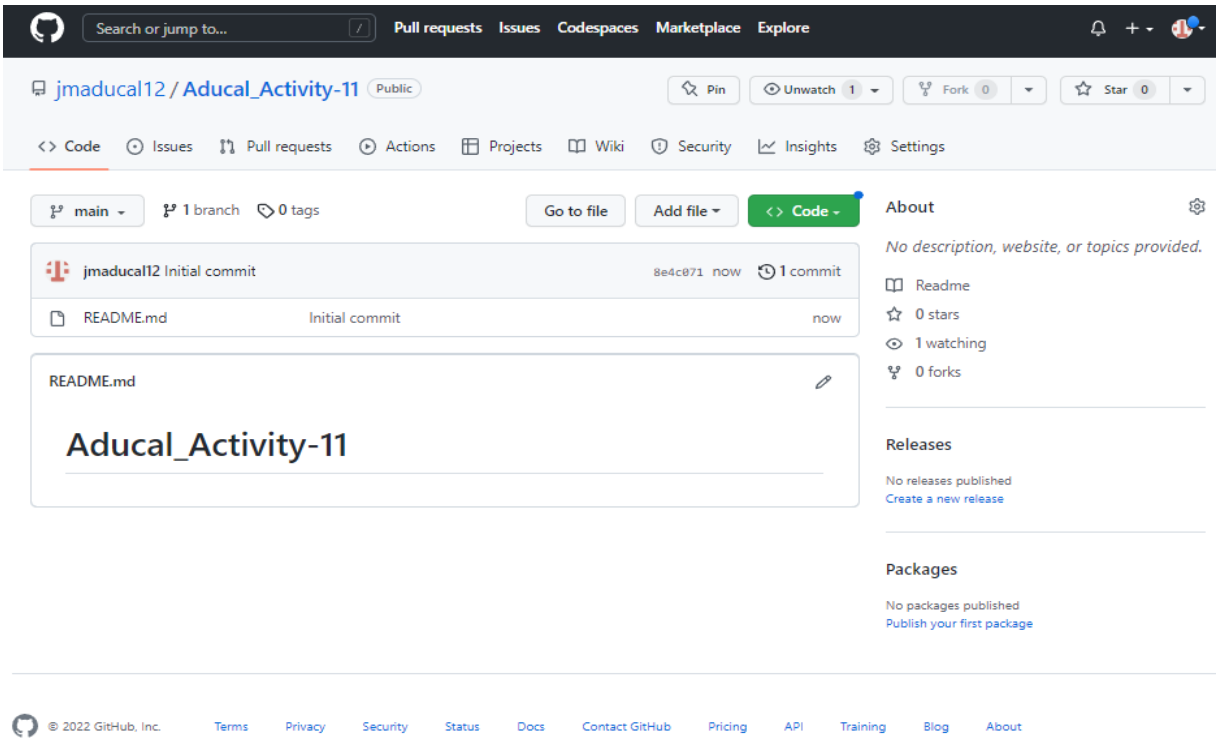
Source: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/virtualization/windowscontainers/about/containers-vs-vm

3. Tasks

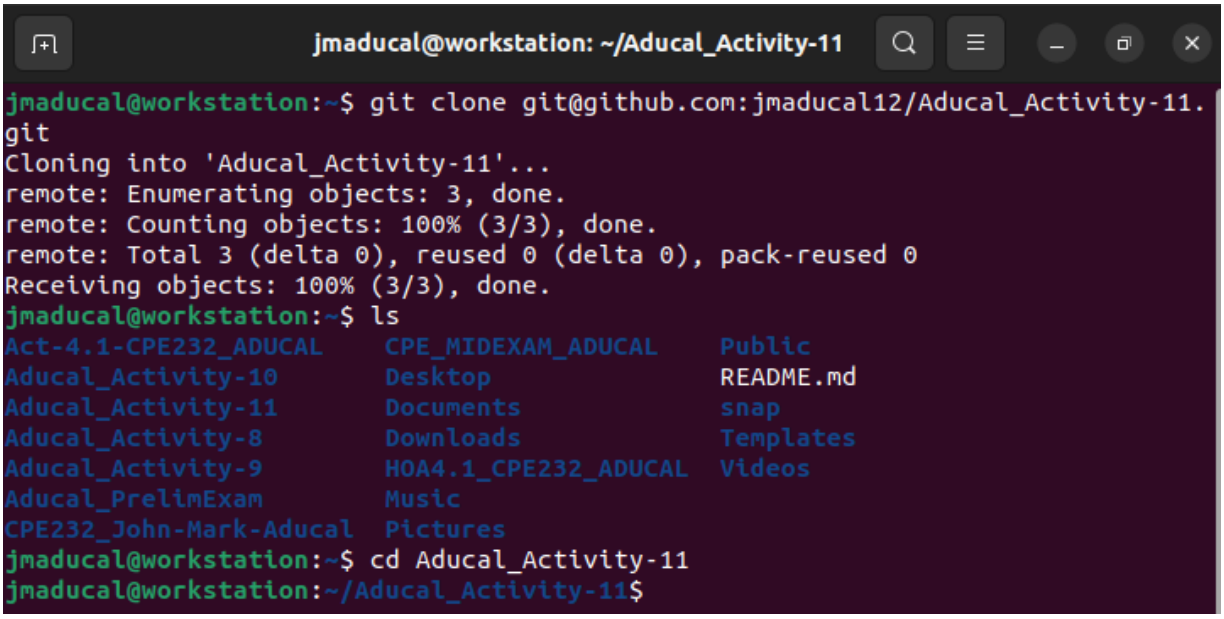
1. Create a new repository for this activity.
2. Install Docker and enable the docker socket.
3. Add to Docker group your current user.
4. Create a Dockerfile to install web and DB server.
5. Install and build the Dockerfile using Ansible.
6. Add, commit and push it to your repository.

4. Output (screenshots and explanations)

Task 1: Create a new repository for this activity.

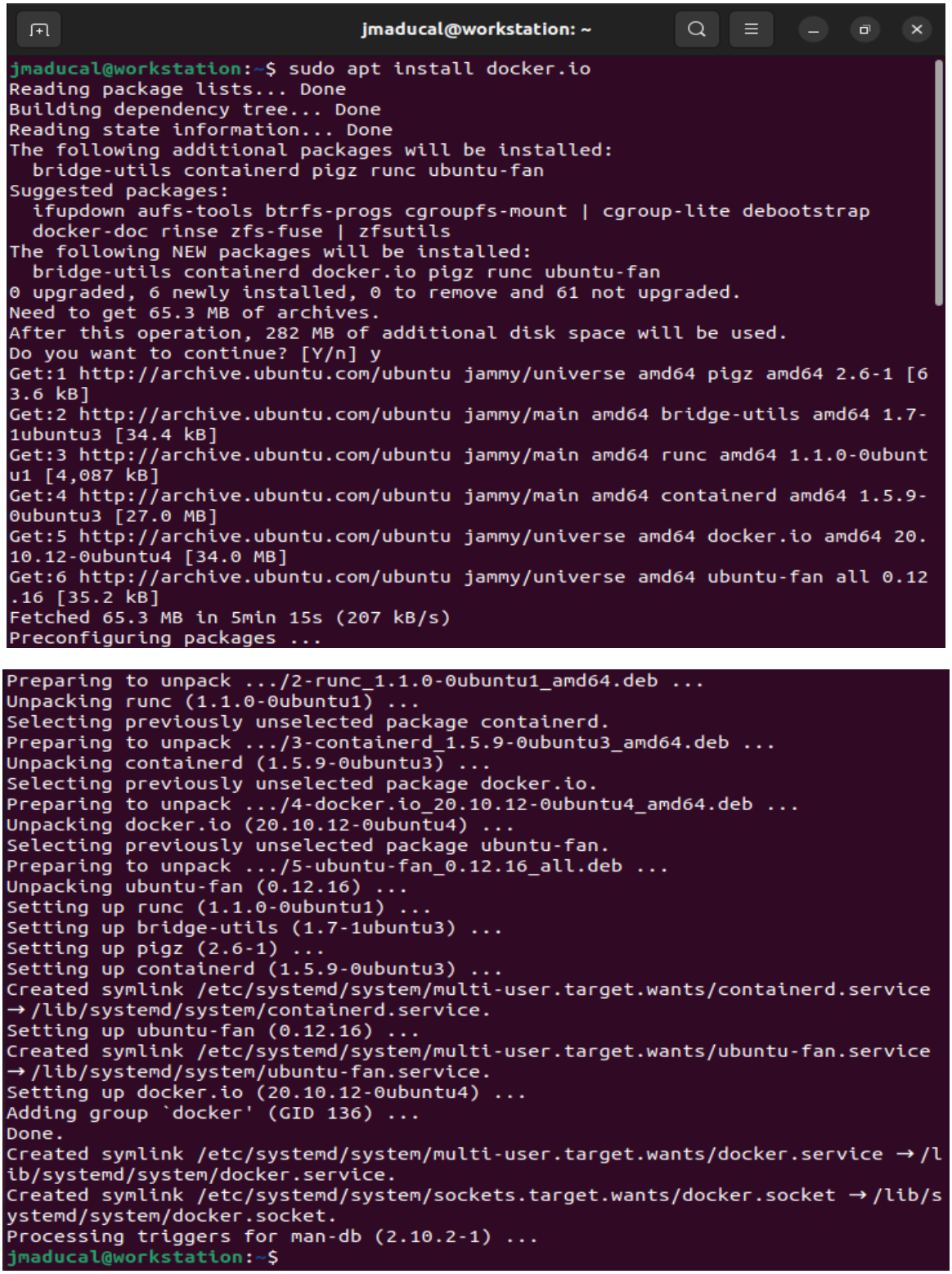


I created a new repository named Aducal_Activity-11.

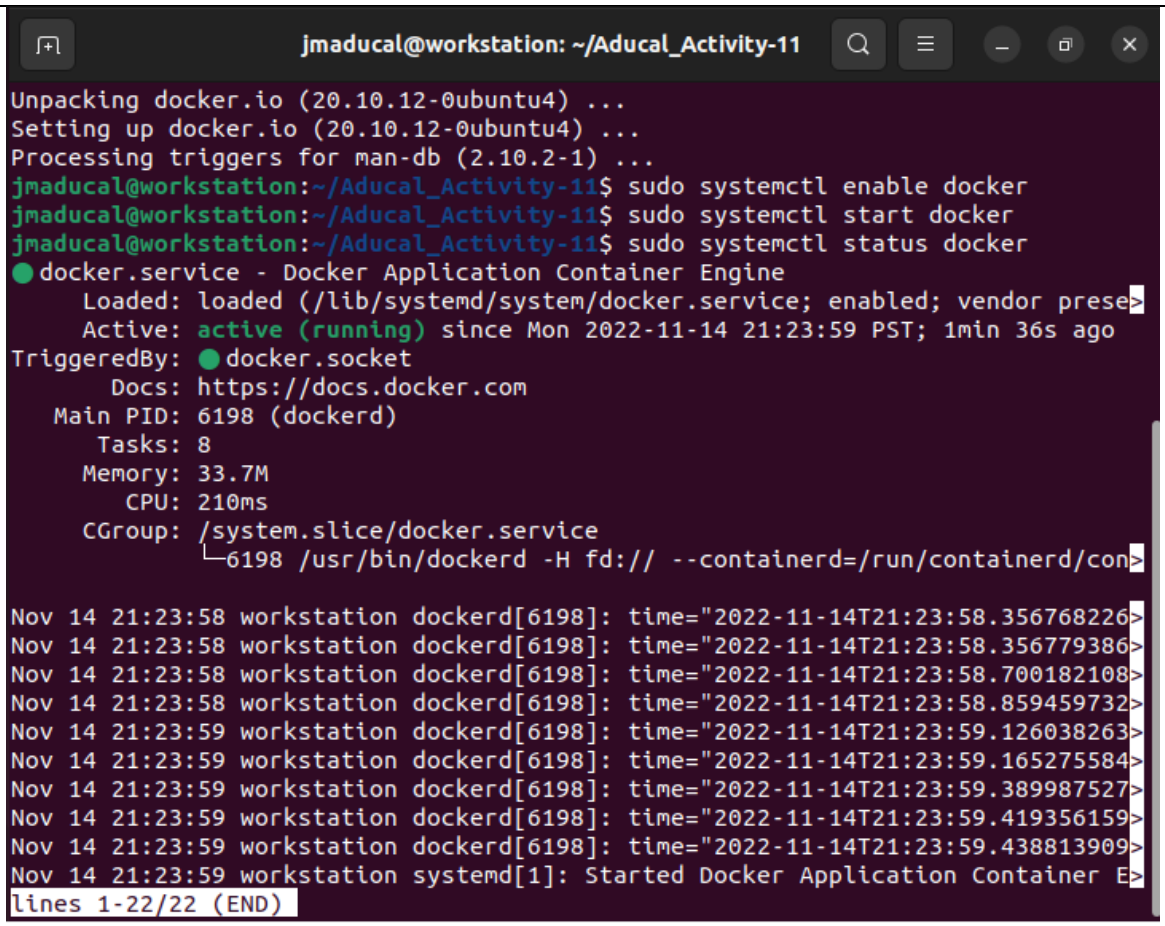


I used git clone command to copy the new repository I have created into my workstation.Now we can use the new repository we created earlier, using cd command to change directory into Aducal_Activity-11.

Task 2: Install Docker and enable docker socket

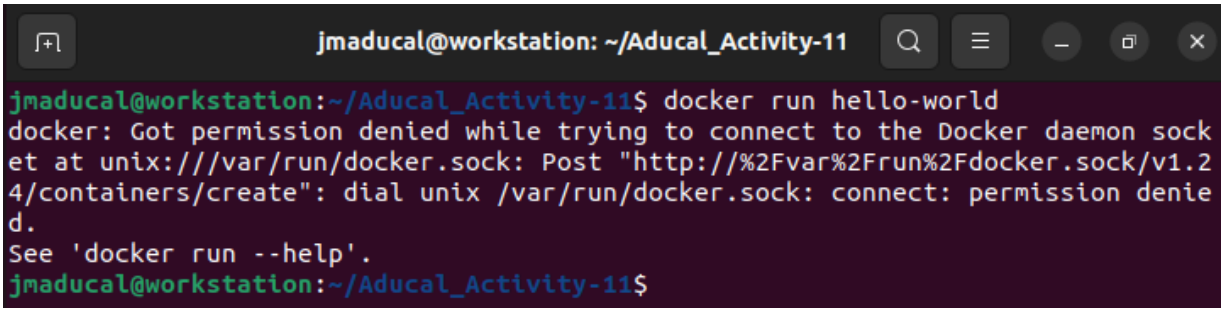


I have already installed docker in my workstation.

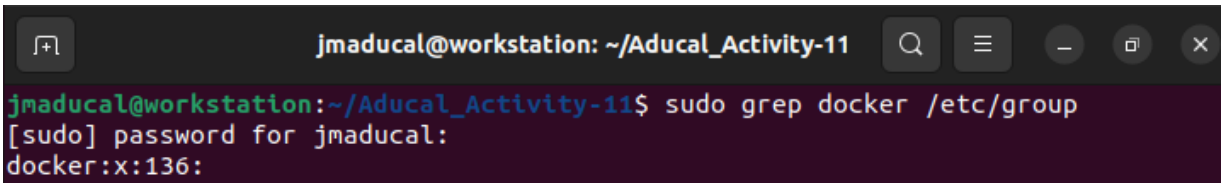


The docker service is already running at ubuntu system and docker socket was enabled.

Task 3: Add to Docker group your current user.

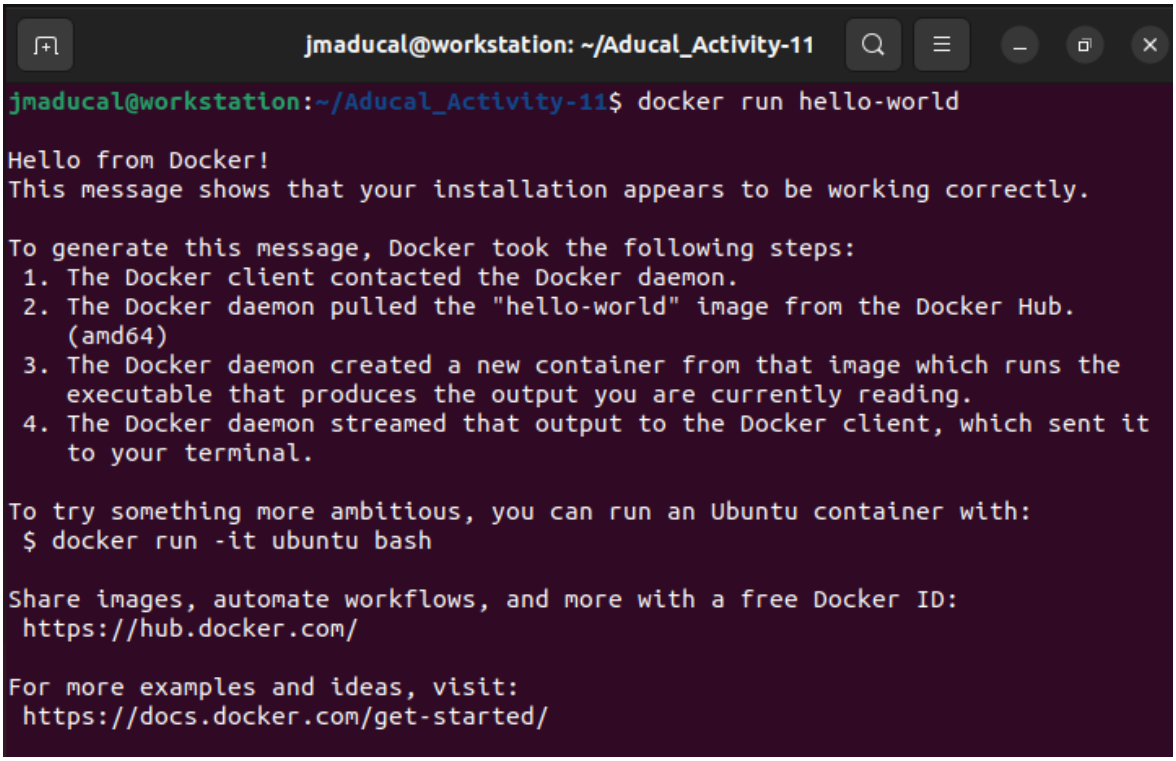


By default, docker command should run with root privilege or with sudo command. To run docker as non-root user in Ubuntu, we need to add the current user to the docker group. Otherwise, we will receive this error again.



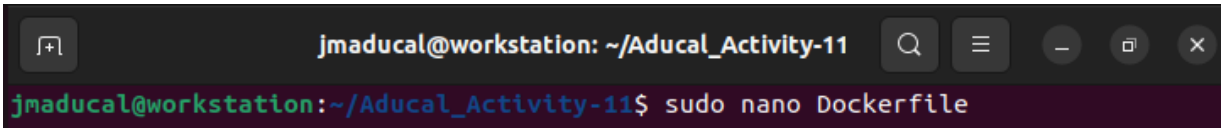
First is to check if the docker group is already exists in our Ubuntu system.

Add the current user to docker group using $USER.

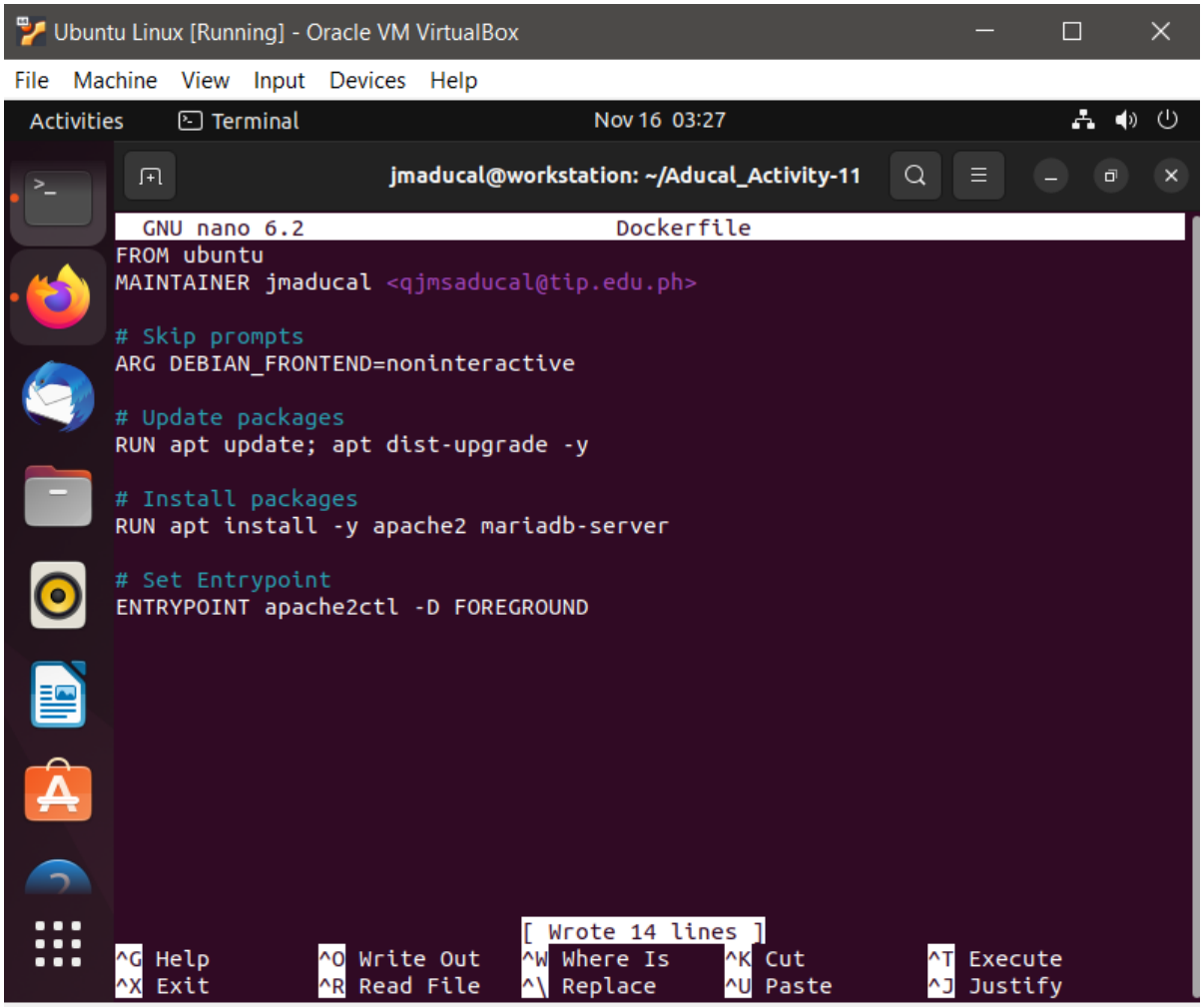


Restart your Ubuntu virtual machine for changes to take effect. Then after we can now run docker command without using sudo command or have a root privilege.

Task 4: Create a Dockerfile to Install web and Dbserver

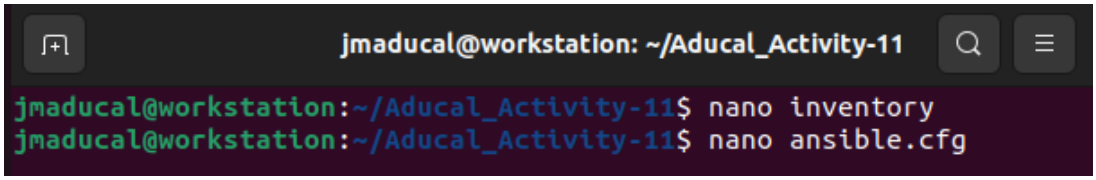


I have created a new file named Docker file.

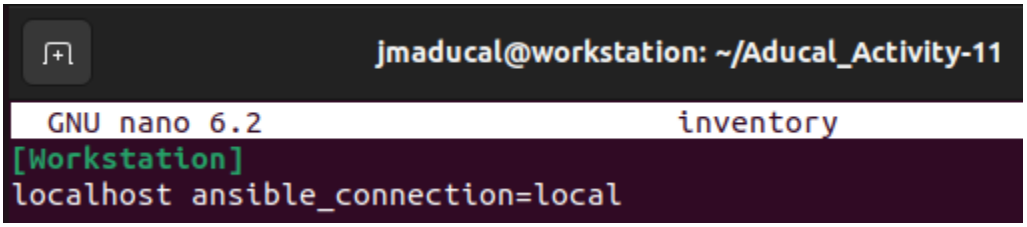


This are the contents inside of Dockerfile.

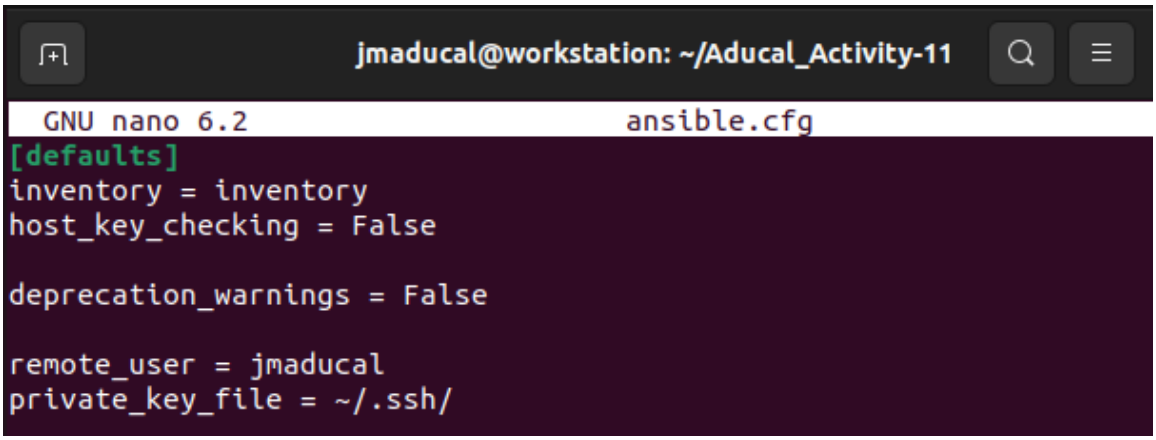
Task 5: Install and build Dockerfile using ansible



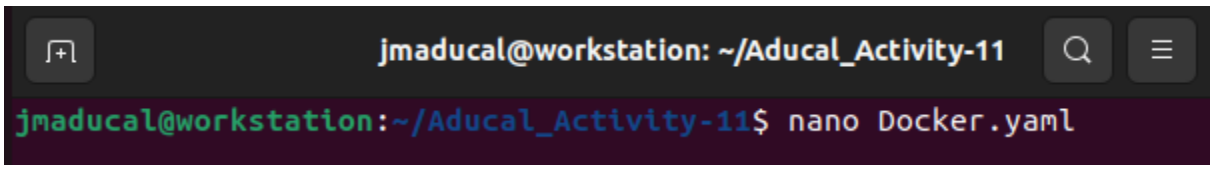
I created new inventory and ansible.cfg files.



The inventory file contains the local IP address of the workstation.



This are the contents of ansible.cfg file.



I created a new file name Docker.yaml

```
jmaducal@workstation: ~/Aducal_Activity-11
 GNU nano 6.2                          Docker.yaml
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- hosts: Workstation
  become: true
  tasks:

  - name: Install and Build Dockerfile
    command: docker build -t apache2/mariadb .
    when: ansible_distribution == "Ubuntu"
```

This are the contents of Docker.yaml file.

```
jmaducal@workstation: ~/Aducal_Activity-11
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ ansible-playbook --ask-become-pass D
ocker.yaml
BECOME password:

PLAY [Workstation] *************************************************************
*

TASK [Gathering Facts] *********************************************************
*
ok: [localhost]

TASK [Install and Build Dockerfile] ********************************************
*
changed: [localhost]

PLAY RECAP *********************************************************************
*
localhost                  : ok=2    changed=1    unreachable=0    failed=0
skipped=0    rescued=0    ignored=0
```

After executing Docker.yaml file using ansible, I'd already installed and build Dockerfile in our workstation using ansible playbook.

```
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ docker images
REPOSITORY          TAG       IMAGE ID       CREATED              SIZE
apache2/mariadb     latest    f8086ed0bb34   About an hour ago    512MB
mariadb             latest    f8086ed0bb34   About an hour ago    512MB
apache-test         1.2       62c8c20a89f1   3 hours ago          327MB
lltv/apache-test    1.1       21a1755318ce   4 hours ago          327MB
lltv/apache-test    1.0       995a43824ab7   4 hours ago          327MB
nginx               latest    88736fe82739   7 hours ago          142MB
ubuntu              latest    a8780b506fa4   13 days ago          77.8MB
hello-world         latest    feb5d9fea6a5   13 months ago        13.3kB
```

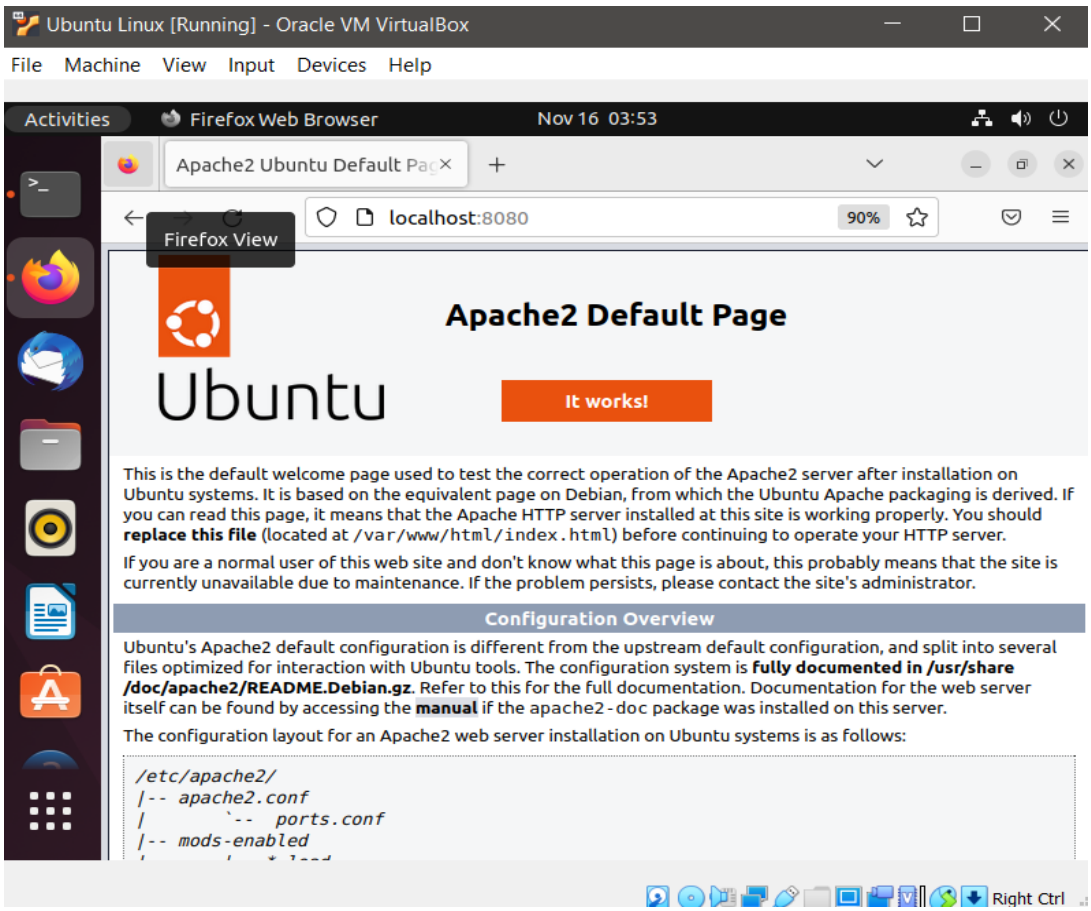
To check if installation is successful is to run the command docker images. apache2/mariadb image was successfully built.

```
jmaducal@workstation: ~/Aducal_Activity-11
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ docker run -d -it -p 8080:80 apache2
/mariadb
67f2df49802b2a85aae42cb539d272b8e1aa3c15b3b5eaddc6e065d820fa6358
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$
```

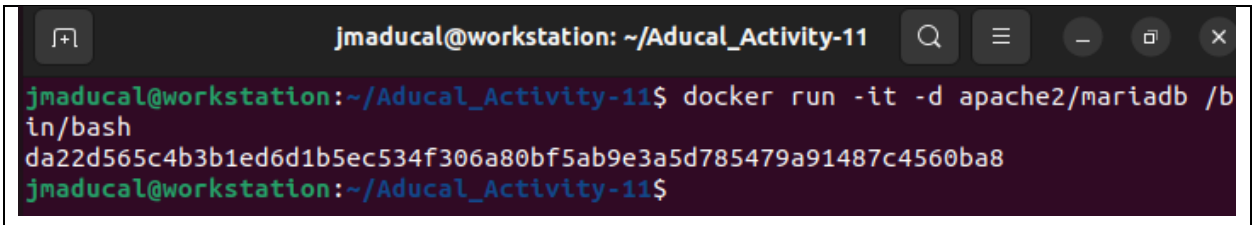
Next is to run the apache2/mariadb image

```
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE              COMMAND                  CREATED          STAT
US          PORTS                                    NAMES
67f2df49802b   apache2/mariadb    "/bin/sh -c 'apache2…"   37 seconds ago   Up 3
5 seconds   0.0.0.0:8080->80/tcp, :::8080->80/tcp    tender_hawking
cdb54296a0ff   ubuntu             "bash"                   4 hours ago      Up 4
 hours                                               sweet_goldberg
8be9e32451c3   ubuntu             "bash"                   4 hours ago      Up 4
 hours                                               great_faraday
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$
```

Then run the docker ps to check the containers that is running.

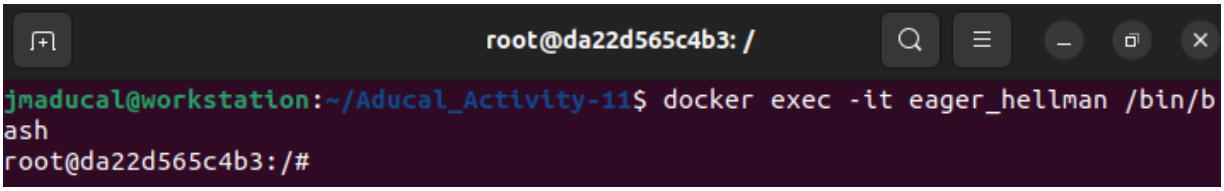


Now go to the browser and test if apache works, In my end it works already.

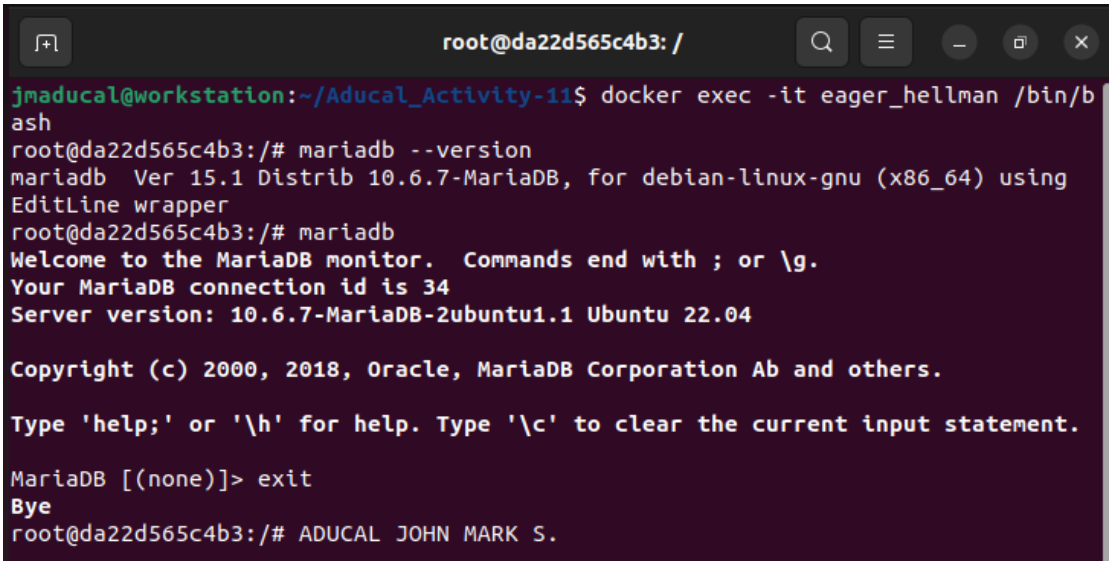


Next is to run the apache2/mariadb image again with /bin/bash

Then try to connect to the container ID da22d565c4b3, Image Name: apache2/mariadb



Now we are connected to the container name eager_hellman (apache2/mariadb image)



Lastly is to verify whether we successfully installed the mariadb in apache2/mariadb image and this container.

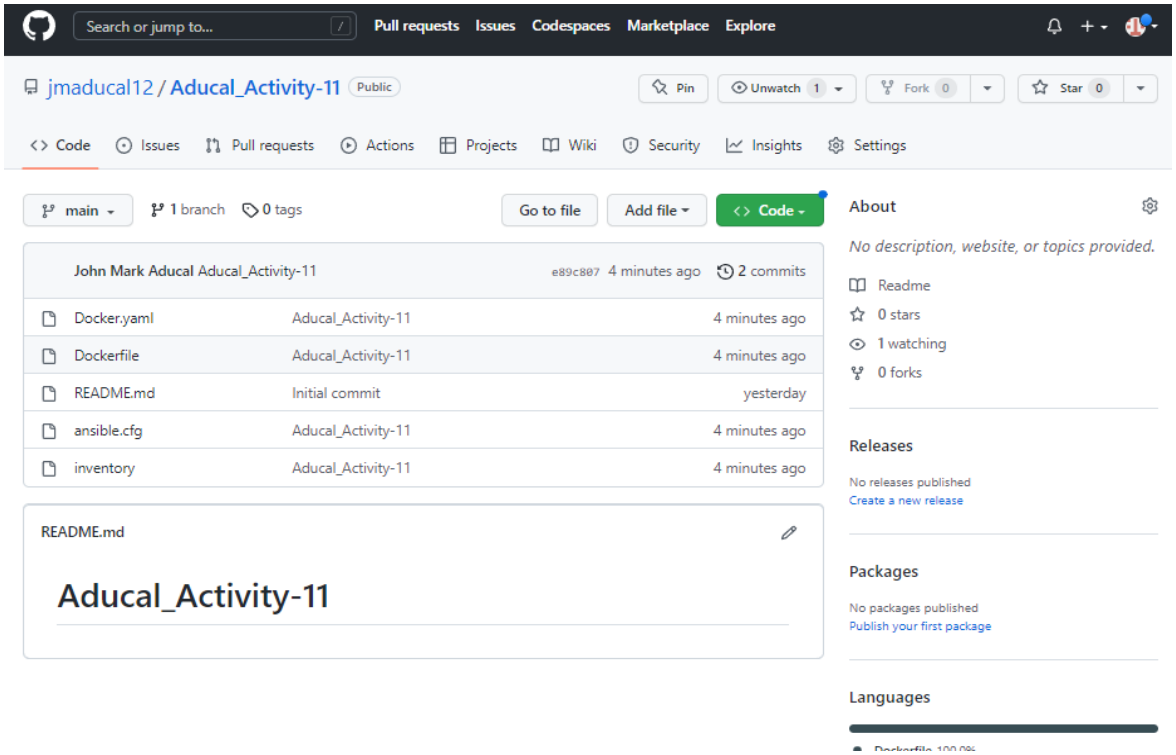
Task 6: Add, Commit and Push it to your repository

```
jmaducal@workstation: ~/Aducal_Activity-11
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git status
On branch main
Your branch is up to date with 'origin/main'.

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
        Docker.yaml
        Dockerfile
        ansible.cfg
        inventory

nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git add Docker.yaml
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git add Dockerfile
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git add ansible.cfg
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git add inventory
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git commit -m "Aducal_Activity-11"
[main e89c807] Aducal_Activity-11
 4 files changed, 33 insertions(+)
 create mode 100644 Docker.yaml
 create mode 100644 Dockerfile
 create mode 100644 ansible.cfg
 create mode 100644 inventory
```

```
jmaducal@workstation:~/Aducal_Activity-11$ git push origin main
Enumerating objects: 7, done.
Counting objects: 100% (7/7), done.
Compressing objects: 100% (5/5), done.
Writing objects: 100% (6/6), 914 bytes | 914.00 KiB/s, done.
Total 6 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
To github.com:jmaducal12/Aducal_Activity-11.git
   8e4c071..e89c807  main -> main
```



GitHub Repository Link:

https://github.com/jmaducal12/Aducal_Activity-11.git

Reflections:

Answer the following:

1. **What are the benefits of implementing containerizations?** Docker Containers can be easily copied, deployed and can run almost anywhere. Implementing containerizations can be often cheaper to run than virtual machines, Docker Containers can be run on cloud platforms such as Amazon Web Services, Linode, Digital Ocean, Google Cloud and others.

Conclusions:

From this activity, I learned what is use of docker and how we used to manage our applications and deliver software quickly by building a dockerfile and a docker image inside a container for a quicker deployment, the simplicity of setting up new instances, and a quicker migration of apps and files. Simple management and moving of our applications. Less access is required to work with the code running inside the container and have better security.

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