# How to use the container file to create a reproduceable ubuntu worker environment on snowy

### **User Guide**

VERY IMPORTANT FOR CONNECTING FROM OUTSIDE THE CAMPUS: DON'T TRY TO CONNECT TO THE SERVER FROM OUTSIDE THE CAMPUS BEFORE YOU ENABLE 2FA, FOLLOW STEP 2 IN CAMPUS BEFORE YOU TRY IT, OTHERWISE UPPMAX WILL LOCK YOU OUT PERMANENTLY AND YOU WILL NEED TO CONTACT SUPPORT FOR YOUR FIRST 2FA CODE!

- 1) You need a working username and password on uppmax that is already associated with a project on uppmax. We already have usernames and a project, and you can request a password for that here: <a href="https://suprintegration.uppmax.uu.se/getpasswd/">https://suprintegration.uppmax.uu.se/getpasswd/</a>
- 2) If you are connecting from outside the campus, you need a 2FA code, i.e a code that you get from an authenticator application like Google Authenticator(Google Authenticator Apps on Google Play) or any other authenticator application. Install it on your phone and use these steps to enable it, 2-factor Uppsala University (uu.se).
- 3) When you have your username and password (and 2fa code if you are outside of campus) for uppmax, use this line to connect to the rackham login node, ssh username@rackham.uppmax.uu.se
- 4) Now you are connected to a login node in rackham. Don't try to run any jobs on the login node.
- 5) To create a worker node that has the gpu compute in snowy, use this in the login node,

interactive -A uppmax2024-2-18 -t 1:00:00 -M snowy

This will create an interactive node for one hour on snowy, change -t modifier to change the time.

6) Check your node name to make sure you are on **Snowy**, You can understand that by looking at the username and server name that is before every line on ubuntu, for example snowy in my case says:

ogersoy@s1 ogersoy

s1 here means snowy. If it was a rackham worker node it would be rX i.e. r1.

Login nodes have the names rackhamX i.e. rackham1.

# [ogersoy@s1 ogersoy]\$ |

Image 1: This is a snowy worker node.

[ogersoy@rackham3 ogersoy]\$ interactive -A uppmax2024-2-18 -t 1:00:00 -M snowy

**Image 2:** This is a rackham login node.

7) After you make sure you are on a snowy worker node, clone your github repo using the code below. In this example I am using the chatbot branch:

git clone -b centralized-chatbot https://github.com/ogersoy/Project-CS-2024

To update the branch from github for any reason after you clone it use fetch in the **project folder**,

git fetch origin git pull origin centralized-chatbot

8) To install the requirements from a requirements.txt file, first cd into project folder like so,

cd Project-CS-2024

Then first use these 3 lines to install python, git and git-lfs

module load python3 module load git module load git-lfs

Then use these steps to create a virtual environment

#### Install in a Virtual Environment (Recommended)

A better practice is to avoid using sudo for Python package installations and instead use a **virtual environment** to install packages locally within your project directory.

1. Create a virtual environment in your project directory:

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python3 -m venv venv

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source venv/bin/activate

#### 3. **Install the requirements** in the virtual environment:

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pip3 install -r requirements.txt

Since this is a local environment, you won't need sudo and won't run into permission issues.

## 4. Running your project:

Ensure the virtual environment is activated every time you work on the project by running:

bash

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source venv/bin/activate

Then, run your script or use pip normally.

Check if pip is installed:

pip3 --version

If not use,

module load python3-pip

After you make sure pip is running use the command below to install all the requirements:

Use pip3 freeze to check if they are installed correctly.