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GETTING STARTED

The goal of this set of exercises is to implement an Ajax front-end for the todo list manager.

Recap:

- 1. Fork your own copy of the Git repository associated with this lab (https://github.com/AmI-2018/python-lab7) to your personal GitHub space
- 2. Open PyCharm Professional and select Checkout from Version Control > Git in the "Welcome to PyCharm" window, to clone your (forked) repository
- 3. Fill the requested fields (repository URL, location on disk, ...) and press the "Clone" button
- 4. Commit and push the changes you made back to GitHub, from the VCS menu in PyCharm

EXERCISE 1 – GET TASKS

Extend the client implemented in classroom¹, and, in particular, the "tasks.js" script, to visualize the urgent information associated with each task.

As an example, you can look at following repository: https://github.com/Aml-2018/rest-ajax

EXERCISE 2 - INSERT TASKS

Extend the client to provide basic support for **inserting** a task by JavaScript.

For this purpose:

- a) Add a *urgentTask* checkbox inside the *addForm* (file "tasks.html") to specify whether the task is urgent or
- b) Complete the *submit* handler (file "*tasks.js*") to extract the values from the form and post them to REST server.
- c) Update the list of printed tasks as soon as the server responds with a success response.

As an example, you can look at the following repository: https://github.com/Aml-2018/rest-ajax

EXERCISE 3 – DELETE TASKS

Extend the client to provide basic support for **deleting** a task.

¹ You can find the basic client developed in classroom, along with a working REST server implementation, in the repository of this lab. Clone the repository to start working on it.

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For this purpose:

- 1. Add a *delete* button near each task. This button should be added dynamically, from the "tasks.js" file.
- 2. Store the ID of each task in each *delete* button. For this purpose, you can use the custom data-* attributes available in HTML5 (https://www.w3schools.com/tags/att_global_data.asp).
- 3. Implement a *deleteTask* function to delete a task, and associate it to the *click* event of the *delete* button (file "tasks.js").
- 4. Update the list of printed tasks as soon as the server responds with a success response.

EXERCISE 4 – UPDATE TASKS

Extend the client to provide basic support for **updating** a task.

For this purpose:

- 1. Add an *update* button near the *delete* one for each printed task. This button should be added dynamically, from the "tasks.js" file.
- 2. Whenever the *update* button is pressed:
 - a. Load the information related to the selected task in the *taskDescription* textbox and in the *urgentTask* checkbox of the *addForm*.
 - b. Change the text value of the *addTask* button from "Add" to "Update".
 - c. Change the method of the *addTask* form from POST to PUT, and the *submit* handler to a new *updateTask* function.
- 3. Implement the *updateTask* function to perform the following operations:
 - a. Send the data to the server through a PUT request.
 - b. Update the list of printed tasks as soon as the server responds with a success response.
 - c. Reset all the elements in the *addForm* to the original values/methods.