
labelx Documentation

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1 Overview

`labelx` is a label generator for GitLab project issues and merge requests. Often project owner or maintainer needs to create different issue labels for multiple projects and it takes time and it's a monotonous work. `labelx` can simplify that task of creating labels.

1.1 Features

- Show package information
- Create labels for GitLab projects
- Create badges for GitLab projects

2 Installation

Labelx (`labelx`) requires Python 3.6, 3.7 or 3.8. If you do not already have a Python environment configured on your computer, please see the [Python](https://www.python.org) (<https://www.python.org>) page for instructions on installing Python environment.

Note: if you are on Windows and want to install optional packages (e.g., `scipy`) then you will need to install a python distribution such as [Anaconda](https://www.anaconda.com) (<https://www.anaconda.com>), [Enthought Canopy](https://www.enthought.com/product/canopy) (<https://www.enthought.com/product/canopy>) or [Pyzo](https://www.pyzo.org) (<https://www.pyzo.org>). If you use one of these Python distributions, please refer to their online documentation.

Assuming that the default python environment is already configured on your computer and you intend to install `labelx` inside of it. To create and work with Python virtual environments, please follow instructions on [venv](https://docs.python.org/3/library/venv.html) (<https://docs.python.org/3/library/venv.html>) and [virtual environments](http://docs.python-guide.org/en/latest/dev/virtualenvs/) (<http://docs.python-guide.org/en/latest/dev/virtualenvs/>)

To start the installation process, please make sure the latest version of `pip` (python3 package manager) is installed. If `pip` is not installed, please refer to the [Pip documentation](https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/installing/) (<https://pip.pypa.io/en/stable/installing/>) and install `pip` first.

2.1 Linux/macOS

Install the latest release of `labelx` with `pip`:

```
pip install labelx
```

To upgrade to a newer version use the `--upgrade` flag:

```
pip install --upgrade labelx
```

If system wide installation is not possible for permission reasons, use `--user` flag to install `labelx` for current user

```
pip install --user labelx
```

2.2 Windows

labelx should support windows cmd out of the box. But if you face any issues, please refer to the hint below -

Hint: Windows terminal (cmd/power shell) doesn't support all the unicode codecs and To get the best results - please use a terminal emulator like, cmder [[Download Cmder](http://cmder.net/) (<http://cmder.net/>)] or ConEmu [[Download ConEmu](https://conemu.github.io/) (<https://conemu.github.io/>)]. Please use <xterm> color scheme from *settings* menu, for the best visual representation of the program.

Considering python3 is installed and pip is configured.

Open Cmder/ConEmu and Type:

```
pip install labelx
```

Or

```
python3 setup.py install
```

This command should install labelx with all the required dependencies.

2.3 Install from Github

Alternatively, labelx can be installed manually by downloading the current version from [GitHub](https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx) (<https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx>) or [PyPI](https://pypi.org/project/labelx/) (<https://pypi.org/project/labelx/>). To install a downloaded versions, please unpack it in a preferred directory and run the following commands at the top level of the directory:

```
pip install .
```

or run the following:

```
python3 setup install
```

2.4 Dependencies

This package requires a configuration file in either .yaml or yml format. The look up priority for the configuration file is as following-

1. <user_home_directory>/.config/<package_name>/config.yaml (Window/Linux/MacOS)
2. <current_working_directory>/<package_name>/config.yaml (Windows/Linux/MacOS)
3. /etc/<package_name>/config.yaml (Linux/MacOS)

If config.yaml doesn't exists in one of these locations, the program will NOT run. So, to create the configuration file, please use -

Windows

Windows system by default doesn't allow creation of . prefixed directory from GUI, so use the following -

- Open cmd and change the directory to the home folder of the user
- Run mkdir .config (if the folder doesn't exist)
- Run cd .config
- Run mkdir labelx

Now that the . prefixed directory is created, use the GUI to add a file in labelx directory named config.yaml. Once the file is created, open the file and add the following lines according to your settings -

```
---  
login:  
  host: <gitlab_server>  
  protocol: <https>/<http>  
  token: <secret_access_token_from_gitlab_profile>
```

Linux/MacOS

- Open a terminal and cd into the home directory or any other directory from the above dependency list.
- Run mkdir -p .config/labelx
- Run cd .config/labelx/
- Run nano config.yaml
- Add the above lines into the file and save it

3 Tutorials

Tip: Always remember, when in doubt use --help.

3.1 Getting help

To see the options use --help flag after the command.

```
labelx --help
```

This should output the help information on screen and it looks something similar as below -

```
Usage: labelx [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS] ...  
  
GitLab label creator control panel  
  
Options:  
  --debug      Turns on DEBUG mode.  [default: False]  
  --version    Show the version and exit.  
  --help       Show this message and exit.  
  
Commands:  
  create-badges  Create badges for project.  
  create-labels   Create labels for issues and merge requests.  
  pkg-info        Shows package information.
```

To checkout individual options for any command use --help flag.

```
labelx pkg-info --help
```

This command should show all the available arguments for info sub-command.

```
Usage: labelx pkg-info [OPTIONS]  
  
  Prints information about the package  
  
Options:  
  --help   Show this message and exit.
```

3.2 Turning on debug

Sometimes program runs into ERROR and there are not enough data shown on screen to determine the cause of the ERROR. For getting verbose output of all the actions done by the program simply turn on the debug mode with --debug flag. By default it's turned off.

To turn on debug mode -

```
labelx --debug create-labels [OPTIONS] [ARGS]
```

Also you can turn on the debug mode at sub-command level by using --debug flag after the sub-command

```
labelx create-labels [OPTIONS] [ARGS] --debug
```

OR like this -

```
labelx create-labels --debug [OPTIONS] [ARGS]
```

3.3 Creating Labels

To create default labels, use the following command -

```
labelx create-labels -p [gitlab project id]
```

To create group labels use -g flag

```
labelx create-labels -g [gitlab group id]
```

Example

```
labelx create-labels -p 12345
```

This command should run the program with preset labels and create these labels in the project mentioned. Output should be something similar -

(output is from version 2.1.1)

```
+-----+
|           labelx           |
+-----+
| about: GitLab label/badge creator   |
| author: Dalwar Hossain (dalwar23@pm.me) |
| version: 2.1.1                   |
| license: GNU General Public License v3 |
| documentation: https://labelx.readthedocs.io/ |
+-----+
[*] Initializing.....
[*] Please use 'labelx --help' to see all available options
----- [labelx] -----
→-----
[$] Creating label - [Bug] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Done] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Feature Upgrade] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Fixed] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [New Feature Request] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [On Hold] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [P1] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [P2] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [P3] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Planned] ..... DONE
```

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```
[$] Creating label - [Source Code Refactoring] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Testing] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [WIP] ..... DONE
[$] Creating label - [Won't Fix] ..... DONE
----- Goodbye! -----
→-----
```

3.4 Using user defined labels

Note: When using user defined labels, the builtin labels will be ignored.

To create user defined labels, use `-f` or `--labels` option with an argument of a valid `yaml` file path that contains label information. E.g.

```
labelx create-labels -p 1234 -f ~/labels.yaml
```

OR

```
labelx create-labels -g 23 --labels ~/my/vey/nested/file/path/to/labels.yaml
```

Example labels.yaml file

```
Test1:
  color: "#FF0000"
  description: A test label
  description_html: ''
  text_color: "#FFFFFF"
  subscribed: false
  priority: 0
  is_project_label: true
Test2:
  color: "#0033CC"
  description: Second test label
  description_html: ''
  text_color: "#FFFFFF"
  subscribed: false
  priority: 1
  is_project_label: true
Test3:
  color: "#AD4363"
  description: Third test label
  description_html: ''
  text_color: "#FFFFFF"
  subscribed: false
  priority:
  is_project_label: true
```

3.5 Creating Badges

To create default badges, use the following command -

```
labelx create-badges -p [gitlab project id]
```

To create group badges use -g flag with numeric group id.

```
labelx create-badges -g [gitlab group id]
```

Note: Group badges require owner permission for the group in context.

Example

```
labelx create-badges -p 1245
```

This command should run the program with preset badges and create these badges in the project mentioned.
Output should be something similar -

(output is from version 2.1.1)

```
+-----+  
|           labelx           |  
+-----+  
| about: GitLab label/badge creator      |  
| author: Dalwar Hossain (dalwar23@pm.me) |  
| version: 2.1.1                      |  
| license: GNU General Public License v3   |  
| documentation: https://labelx.readthedocs.io/ |  
+-----+  
  
[*] Initializing.....  
[*] Please use 'labelx --help' to see all available options  
----- [labelx] -----  
→-----  
[$] Creating badge - [license] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [platform] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [windows] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [linux] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [macos] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [python] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [style] ..... DONE  
[$] Creating badge - [layout] ..... DONE  
----- Goodbye! -----  
→-----
```

3.6 Using user defined badges

Note: When using user defined badges, the builtin badges will be ignored.

To create user defined badges, use -f or --badges option with an argument of a valid yaml file path that contains badge information. E.g.

```
labelx create-badges -p 143 -f ~/badges.yaml
```

OR

```
labelx create-badges -g 23 --badges ~/my/vey/nested/file/path/to/badges.yaml
```

Example badges.yaml file

```
---
license:
  link_url: "%{project_path}/LICENSE"
  image_url: "https://img.shields.io/badge/License-MIT-blue.svg?style=flat-square"
  position: 0
platform:
  link_url: "%{project_path}"
  image_url: "https://img.shields.io/badge/Platform-cc3300?style=flat-square"
  position: 1
windows:
  link_url: "%{project_path}"
  image_url: "https://img.shields.io/badge/Windows-blue?style=flat-square&logo=windows"
  position: 2
linux:
  link_url: "%{project_path}"
  image_url: "https://img.shields.io/badge/Linux-333?style=flat-square&logo=linux"
  position: 3
```

Important: %{project_path} will be translated into the project's path by labelx for project specific badges only. For groups, it is recommended not to use **GITLABPLACEHOLDERTOKENS** like %{project_path} or %{project_id}.

4 API References

API references are not available at this moment. In future release, it will be available.

5 Contributing

Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given.

You can contribute in many ways:

5.1 Types of Contributions

Report Bugs

Report bugs at <https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx/issues>.

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “enhancement” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

Write Documentation

labelx could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official *labelx* docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at <https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx/issues>.

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

5.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here’s how to set up *labelx* for local development.

1. Fork the *labelx* repo on GitHub.

2. Clone your fork locally

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/labelx.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have `virtualenvwrapper` installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development

```
$ mkvirtualenv labelx
$ cd labelx/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you’re done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox

```
$ flake8 labelx tests
$ python setup.py test or pytest
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

5.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 3.9 and 3.10, and for PyPy.

6 History

6.1 2.3.1 [30.03.2022]

- Fix dependency issue in setup.py [Issue #13](https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx/issues/13) (<https://github.com/dalwar23/labelx/issues/13>)

6.2 2.3.0 [30.03.2022]

- Updated documentation
- Added group level support for labels and badges
- Updated tests
- Fixed spelling mistakes
- Minor console output changes

6.3 2.2.1 [28.03.2022]

- Add group level badges and labels
- Fix version upgrade bug
- Update documentation

6.4 2.1.1 [19.06.2020]

- Fixed bug with license badge
- Updated readme and docs

6.5 2.1.0 [19.06.2020]

- Fixed bug with link_url
- Changed look and feel

6.6 1.0.5 [19.06.2020]

- Create badges with default values
- Added tests
- Fixed formatting

6.7 1.0.4 [02.04.2020]

- Create labels with default values
- Show package information
- Added more tests
- Re-newed documentation

6.8 1.0.3 (unreleased) [30.03.2020]

- Show package information
- Added test cases

7 Indices and tables

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