



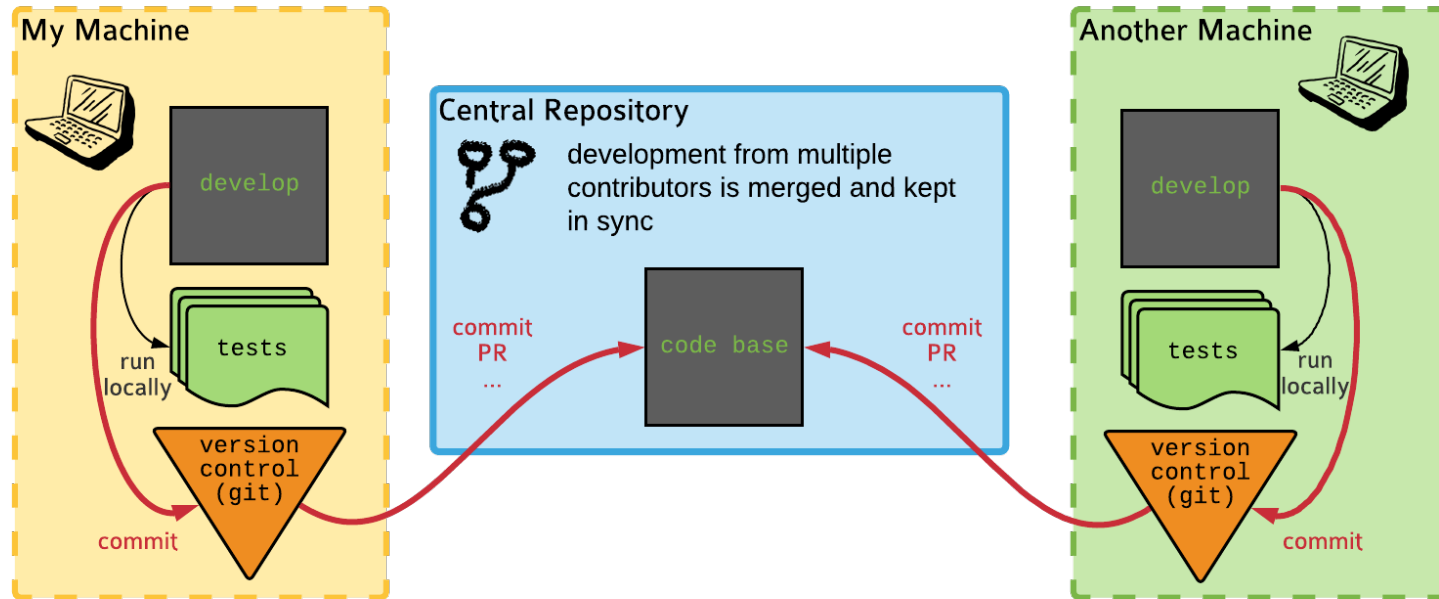
Continuous Integration

Because you're worth it, continuously



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Collaborative Development without CI



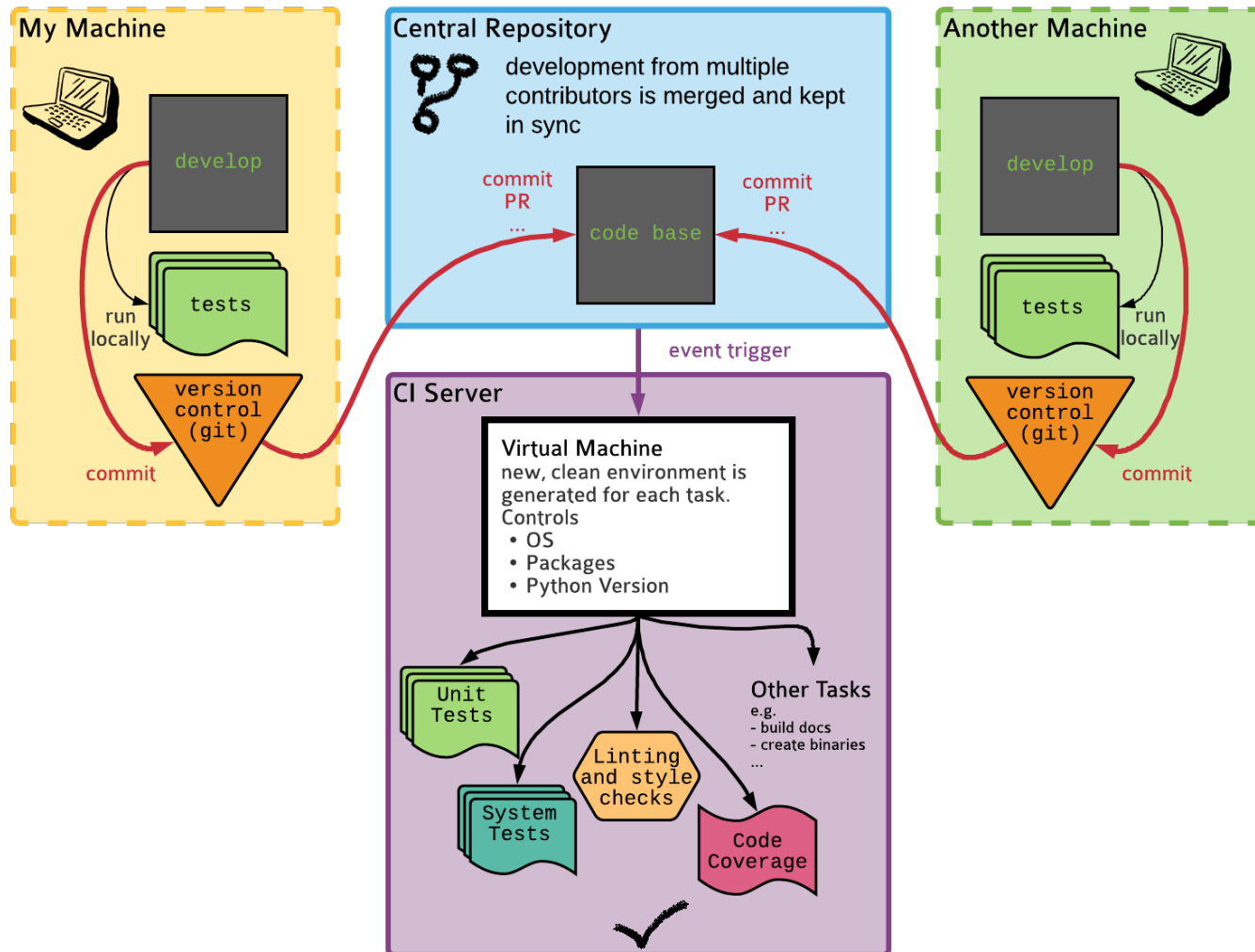
Potential issues

- The tests might pass on one machine and/or the other, but not in a third-party environment (versions, OS, etc.)
- A maintainer needs to ensure that the software works on all the supported combinations of versions / OSs
- A maintainer needs to create and upload artifacts like binary packages, documentation, etc

Continuous Integration

- ▶ Continuous Integration is a set of tools and practices to make sure that a project with many contributors (≥ 1) runs smoothly
- ▶ One goal is to automatize the non-coding tasks:
 - ▶ making sure that the tests always pass
 - ▶ check for style consistency
 - ▶ build packages for distribution on multiple architectures
 - ▶ build documentation
- ▶ Another goal is to solve the “it works on my machine” problem

Collaborative Development with CI



The CI tasks that you'll find 95% of the time

- ▶ **Event trigger:** PR is created or a commit is pushed to master

Tasks:

- ▶ Run all tests for different Python versions
- ▶ (Verify code coverage)
- ▶ (Check code style)

- ▶ **Event trigger:** Version is bumped

Tasks:

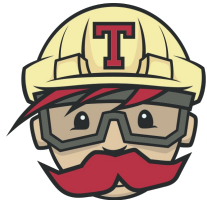
- ▶ Create binary packages for Linux, Mac, Windows and upload them to a package repository

- ▶ **Event trigger:** Repository is tagged in a certain way

Tasks:

- ▶ Build and publish the documentation

CI options

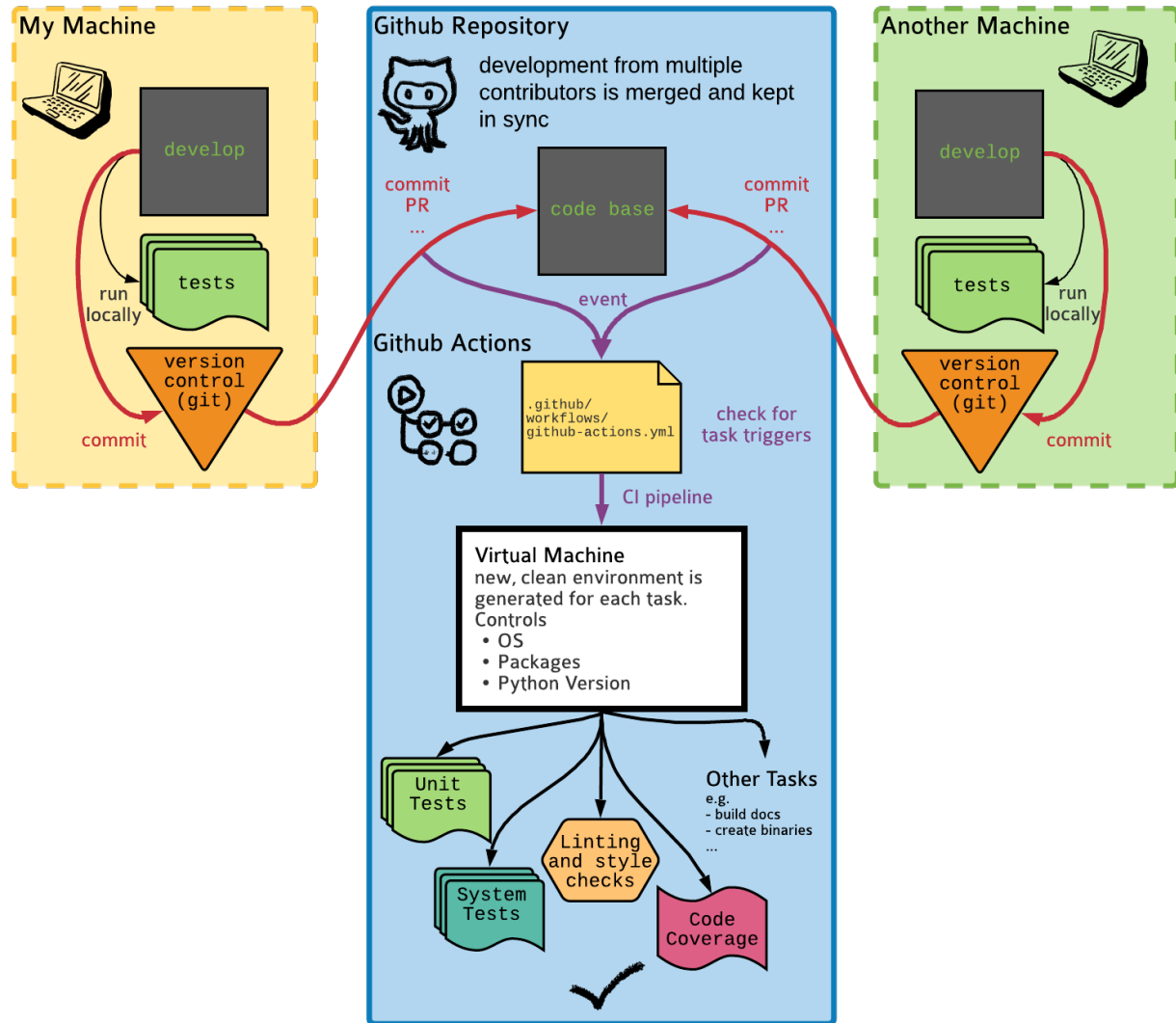


Travis CI



GitHub Actions is at the moment the preferred choice for many open source projects. It is very flexible and well integrated with GitHub.

Collaborative Development with GitHub Actions



GitHub acts as both the central repository and the CI server, but the rest is the same

GitHub Actions basic ideas

An event occurs, it has an associated commit SHA
(e.g., a PR is opened or a commit tag is pushed)



GitHub searches for config files in `.github/workflows` at that SHA, and looks if there is a trigger that matches the event



It then creates a virtual machine as specified in the config file and runs the commands listed there

GitHub Actions basic ideas

- ▶ The outcome is logged and if the job exits cleanly it is marked as "passed" otherwise "failed"

The image shows two panels from the GitHub Actions interface. The left panel, titled 'All checks have passed', shows a list of successful checks including 'Build_Test / lint', 'Pull Request Labeler / pr-labeler', 'Build_Test / smoke_test', 'Build_Test / basic (3.8)', 'Build_Test / basic (3.9)', and 'Build_Test / basic (3.10.0-beta.3)'. The right panel, titled 'Some checks were not successful', shows a list of checks where one failed: 'Build_Test / basic (3.10.0-rc.1)'. It also shows a 'Cancelled' status for 'Build_Test / basic (3.9)' and successful results for 'Build_Test / smoke_test', 'Build_Test / basic (3.7)', 'Build_Test / debug', and 'Build_Test / blas64'. Both panels include a 'Hide all checks' link and a 'Details' link for each item.

All checks have passed
36 successful and 2 neutral checks

- Build_Test / lint (pull_request) Successful in 19s
- Pull Request Labeler / pr-labeler (pull_request_target) Successful in 3s
- Build_Test / smoke_test (pull_request) Successful in 6m
- Build_Test / basic (3.8) (pull_request) Successful in 8m
- Build_Test / basic (3.9) (pull_request) Successful in 9m
- Build_Test / basic (3.10.0-beta.3) (pull_request) Successful in 7m

This branch has no conflicts with the base branch
Only those with [write access](#) to this repository can merge pull requests.

Some checks were not successful
35 successful, 1 cancelled, 1 failing, and 2 neutral checks

- Build_Test / smoke_test (pull_request) Successful in 6m
- Build_Test / basic (3.7) (pull_request) Successful in 6m
- Build_Test / basic (3.9) (pull_request) Cancelled after 9m — basic (3.9)
- Build_Test / basic (3.10.0-rc.1) (pull_request) Failing after 8m — basic (3.10.0-rc.1)
- Build_Test / debug (pull_request) Successful in 7m
- Build_Test / blas64 (pull_request) Successful in 7m

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Github Actions

The screenshot displays the GitHub Actions interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes links for Code, Issues, Pull requests, Actions (highlighted), Projects, Wiki, Security, Insights, and Settings. Below this, the 'Workflows' section is active, showing a 'New workflow' button and a list of workflows, including 'Run all the tests for PRs'. The main area, titled 'All workflows', shows 'Showing runs from all workflows' and a search bar. Below the search bar, a table lists '2 workflow runs' with columns for Event, Status, Branch, and Actor. The first run, 'fix workflow error', is successful (green checkmark) and occurred 1 minute ago. The second run, 'add workflow', failed (red X) and occurred 4 minutes ago.

Workflows New workflow

All workflows

Run all the tests for PRs

All workflows

Showing runs from all workflows

Filter workflow runs

2 workflow runs

	Event ▾	Status ▾	Branch ▾	Actor ▾
✓ fix workflow error			master	1 minute ago
Run all the tests for PRs #2: Commit 80dae13 pushed by Ischwetlick				
✗ add workflow			master	4 minutes ago
Run all the tests for PRs #1: Commit 5ba645d pushed by Ischwetlick				
		Failure		

GitHub config file: Simple example to run tests every time a PR is opened or a commit is pushed

The configuration file is saved somewhere in

`.github/workflows/config-name.yml`

```
name: Run all the tests for PRs
```

```
on:
```

```
[push, pull_request]
```

Specifies the events that trigger the jobs below

```
jobs:
```

```
  run-tests:
```

```
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest
```

The type of virtual machine used to run the workflow

```
    steps:
```

```
- uses: actions/checkout@v2
- name: Set up Python
  uses: actions/setup-python@v2
  with:
```

```
    python-version: 3.9
```

```
- name: Install dependencies
  run:
```

```
    python -m pip install pytest numpy
```

```
- name: Test with pytest
```

```
  run:
```

```
    pytest -sv hands_on/pyanno_voting
```

Multiple steps are used to set up the environment so that we can run the tests. Notice the use of community actions

The command that we wanted to execute all along

GitHub Actions reference

- ▶ **Introduction:**

<https://docs.github.com/en/actions/learn-github-actions/introduction-to-github-actions>

- ▶ **Events that can trigger actions, and their config options:**

https://docs.github.com/en/actions/reference/events-that-trigger-workflows#pull_request

- ▶ **Catalog of community actions:**

<https://github.com/marketplace?type=actions>


Hands On!


Add a CI pipeline to your logistic function project!

1. In your local version of the project make a folder `.github/workflows`
 2. Create a file called `my_configuration.yml`
 3. Write your configuration file to run the tests every time someone pushes some commits or every time someone creates a pull request
 4. Commit and push the changes to GitHub
 5. Check the actions tab of your GitHub repo to see if it worked
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- ▶ Bonus: check the GitHub actions documentation and modify the configuration file so that the tasks run only for pushes and PRs against the branch `main`













Matrix configuration


- ▶ If your project supports multiple OSes, Python versions, and library version, you might want to run our tests on all the combinations of those



**All checks have passed**
10 successful checks

[Hide all checks](#)

	 Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix / run-tests (ubuntu-latest, 3.9) (pull_request) ...	Details
	 Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix / run-tests (ubuntu-latest, 3.9) (push) Succes...	Details
	 Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix / run-tests (macos-latest, 3.8) (pull_request) ...	Details
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	 Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix / run-tests (macos-latest, 3.9) (pull_request) ...	Details
	 Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix / run-tests (macos-latest, 3.9) (push) Succes...	Details

**This branch has no conflicts with the base branch**
Merging can be performed automatically.

[Merge pull request](#) ▾ You can also [open this in GitHub Desktop](#) or view [command line instructions](#).

GitHub Actions workflow with matrix config

Name: Run all the tests for PRs, with OS/Python matrix

```
on:
  [push, pull_request]

jobs:
  run-tests:
    runs-on: ${{ matrix.os }}
```

```
    strategy:
      matrix:
        os: [ubuntu-latest, macos-latest]
        python-version: [3.8, 3.9]
```

The strategy/matrix section specifies lists of parameters. The workflow is run for all combinations

```
  steps:
    - uses: actions/checkout@v2
    - name: Set up Python ${{ matrix.python-version }}
      uses: actions/setup-python@v2
      with:
        python-version: ${{ matrix.python-version }}
    - name: Install dependencies
      run:
        python -m pip install pytest numpy
    - name: Test with pytest
      run:
        pytest -sv hands_on/pyanno_votin
```

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```

```
jobs:
```

```
  run-tests:
```

```
    runs-on: ${{ matrix.os }}
```

This is how we refer to the matrix
parameters in the config file

```
  strategy:  
    matrix:  
      os: [ubuntu-latest, macos-latest]  
      python-version: [3.8, 3.9]
```

```
  steps:
```

```
    - uses: actions/checkout@v2
```

```
    - name: Set up Python ${{ matrix.python-version }}
```

```
      uses: actions/setup-python@v2
```

```
      with:
```

```
        python-version: ${{ matrix.python-version }}
```

```
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      run:
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GitHub Actions reference

- ▶ **Types of virtual machines available on GitHub Actions:**
<https://docs.github.com/en/actions/using-github-hosted-runners/about-github-hosted-runners#supported-runners-and-hardware-resources>
- ▶ **setup-python community action, all available Python flavors and versions:**
<https://github.com/marketplace/actions/setup-python>

Hands On!

- ▶ Adapt your configuration file and push it to GitHub
- ▶ Run the logistic function CI workflow on Python 3.7, 3.8, 3.9, and on Linux and Windows

Conclusions

- ▶ It takes a bit of time to set up and debug a Continuous Integration workflow, but it's a good investment that can save you a lot of time later on!



Thank you!

Bonus: Security

- ▶ Some tasks require “secrets” like usernames and passwords, for instance to upload the documentation to a remote machine.
- ▶ Do not push passwords and other sensitive information to a repository, not even a private one! Each CI system has a way to deal with secret safely.

TOP SECRET

Bonus: Security

- ▶ Secrets in GitHub actions can be added under Settings -> Secrets. The secret is stored encrypted by GitHub, and decrypted at the moment of running the workflow
- ▶ Secrets can then be referred to in the workflow as

```
steps:  
  - name: Hello world action  
    with: # Set the secret as an input  
      super_secret: ${ secrets.SuperSecret }  
    env: # Or as an environment variable  
      super_secret: ${ secrets.SuperSecret }
```

Bonus: Examples of handling secrets

name: Reveal a secret when the repository is tagged as something starting by secret

```
on:
  push:
    tags:
      - 'secret*'

jobs:
  reveal-secret:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest

    steps:
      - shell: bash
        env:
          SECRET_MSG: ${ secrets.TOP_SECRET }
        run: |
          echo The secret is "$SECRET_MSG"
          if [ "$SECRET_MSG" = 'do not tell anyone' ]; then
            echo matches
          fi
```

Details available at

<https://docs.github.com/en/actions/reference/encrypted-secrets>

