

**United Airlines Management  
Cloud User Guide**

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# DevOps Tools

Many DevOps tools were used in this project that helped the team during the workflow process, the tools that were used are:

## Github Project Board (Automated Kanban template)

After creating a repository on GitHub, you will be able to see these choices in the toolbox:

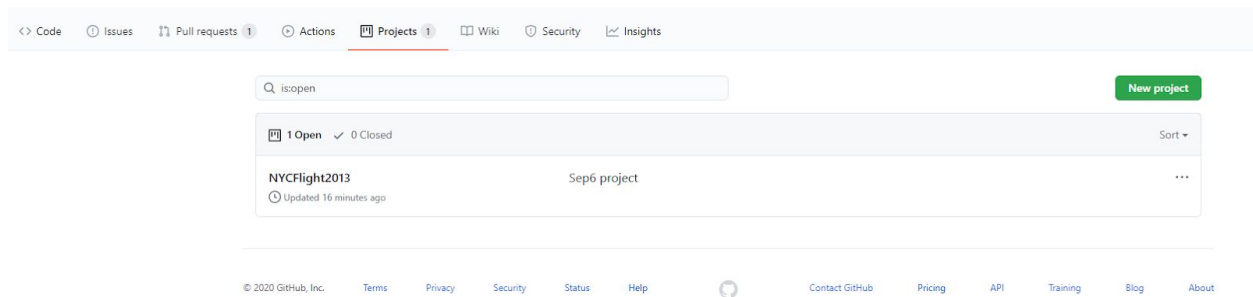


Figure 1: Github Projects Create new Board

After clicking on Projects, you will be able to create a new project by giving it a name and description and you will have a choice to select a template.

In this project, Automated Kanban templates were selected because it makes it easier to move issues and pull requests across the board columns.

After creating the project you can start adding tasks to-do list while working on a task it will be in the “in progress” list when it’s done it will be moved to the “Done” list

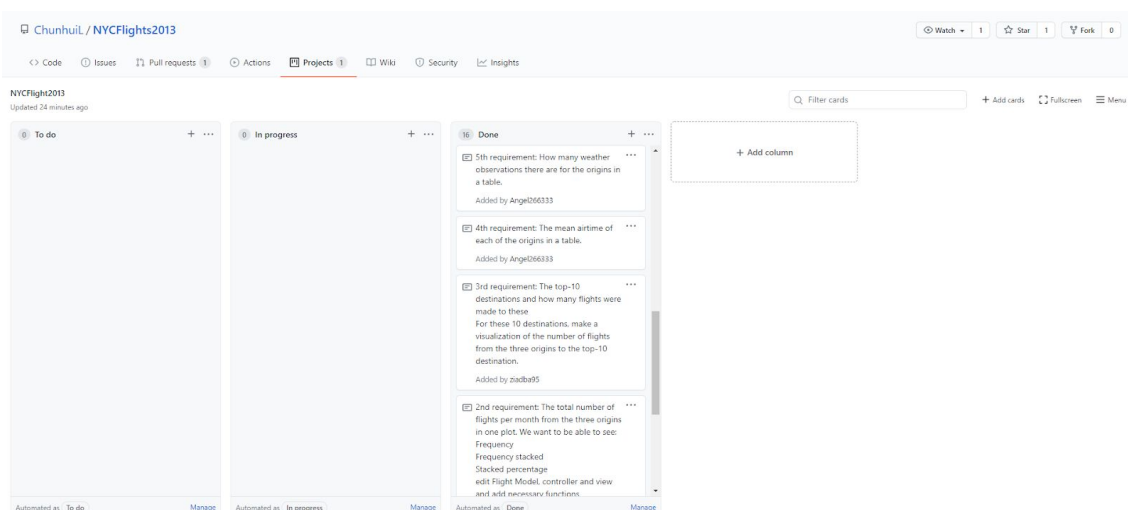


Figure 2: Github Automated Kanban Board

## Github Actions

Allows the project team to automate the workflow by providing the possibility to build and test code in GitHub.

It helps with doing automated tests while it has a built-in CI/CD using npm and .net libraries, so every time a team member makes a pull request it will automatically run commands to execute the testing script.

In this project, Actions was used to build the ASP.NET Core application. A file called “dotnet-core.yml” is generated and committed to the main branch. After creating the file, in the Actions section of GitHub, we are able to see that we can now run an Actions workflow.

Here is an example of how all pull requests were tested before merging to the master.

The screenshot displays the GitHub Actions interface for the repository ChunhuiL/NYCFlights2013. The top section, titled 'All workflows', shows a list of 68 workflow runs. The runs are filtered by the workflow 'NET Core'. The list includes various events such as 'Merge pull request', 'PlanesController tests passed', 'test have error', and 'Merge'. The bottom section shows a detailed view of a specific workflow run for the 'build' job, which succeeded 16 hours ago in 1m 2s. The build job steps include: Set up job, Run actions/checkout@v2, Setup .NET Core, Install dependencies, Build, Test, Post Run actions/checkout@v2, and Complete job.

Event	Status	Branch	Actor
✓ Merge pull request #26 from ChunhuiL/Ziad PlanesCon...	Success	master	...
✓ PlanesController tests passed	Success	21ad	...
✓ PlanesController tests passed	Success	21ad	...
✗ test have error	Failure	11e	...
✓ .NET Core	Success	8831af	...
✗ test have error	Failure	11e	...
✗ Merge	Failure	master	...
✓ Testing GitHub Actions	Success	Angel	...

**build**  
succeeded 16 hours ago in 1m 2s

- > Set up job
- > Run actions/checkout@v2
- > Setup .NET Core
- > Install dependencies
- > Build
- > Test
- > Post Run actions/checkout@v2
- > Complete job

Figure 3: Example of GitHub Actions build passing successfully.

## CircleCI

It does the same job as Github actions but it was used just to have extra support and it has a faster building process than Github actions.

After creating the repository, CircleCI was added by authenticating a GitHub account in CircleCI website, then selecting the wanted repository.

Then it will be activated and will test all pull requests created by team members and give a report about the failed tests to have a better idea of what went wrong during the building process.

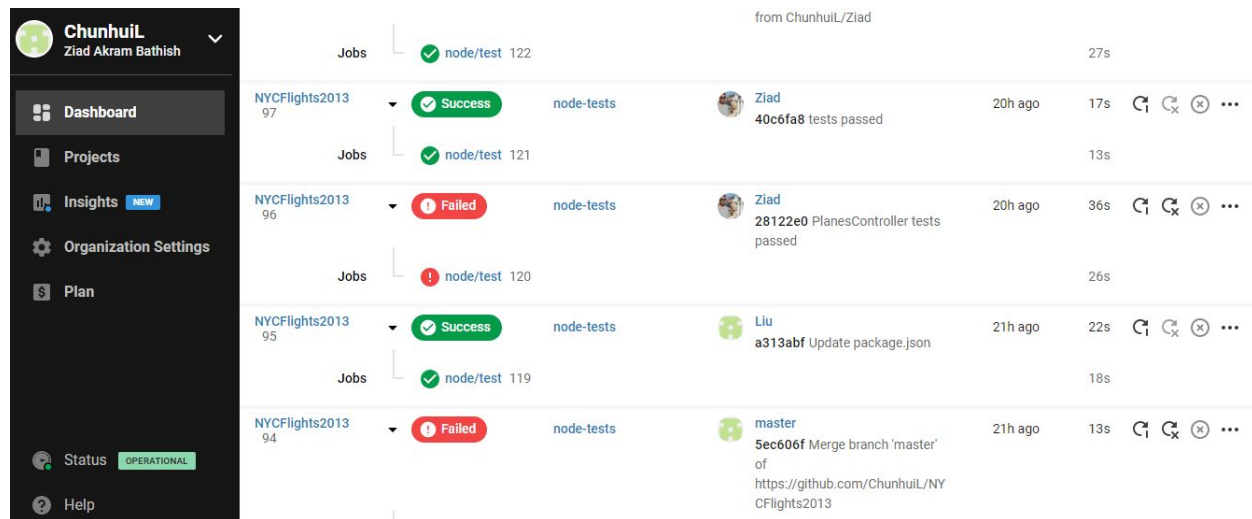


Figure 4: CircleCI Dashboard with building & testing history

## Setting up cloud provider, project management, version control and testing:

### Project Setup, Scripts and Libraries

The project setup consists of two projects linked together – NYCFlights2013 and TestNYCFlights2013. For NYCFlights2013, a CircleCI configuration file was added to the project setup as well as for GitHub Actions. The extensions used for this project are:

- Angular Basic Project Template version **1.0.4**
- Angular Item Templates version **1.7.1**
- Angular8Core version **1.0**
- ASP.NET Core 2.2 with Angular 7 version **2.0.1**
- ASPNetCore Web Api Starter Template version **2.0**
- Google Cloud Tools for Visual Studio version **2.0.4.0**
- MySQL for Visual Studio version **1.2.9**
- MySQL Connector Net version **8.0.22**

- NPM Task Runner version **1.4.90**
- NodeJS version **14.15.3**

Connection to the database is established in a class called ConnectorDB. The credentials for the database are as follows:

Database name: NYCFlight2013

IP: 34.76.189.231

Username: root / Password: 12345

Port: 3306

The database is facilitated by Google Cloud which acts as a Cloud provider. In Google Cloud, a new project has been created with billing enabled from the given free trial period with a debit card as the development team was unable to utilize their 50 dollars of given credit which was marked as expired in the Overview section for Billing for an unknown reason.

First, we need to create the database instance by expanding the list under the hamburger button on the left side of the main overview page and selecting **SQL** from the dropdown list. Then, we click on **Create Instance** and select MySQL. From there, we provide all necessary details and select the closest region to where we are located - in our case Europe-west1(Belgium)

Moving forward with setting up the project, we need to navigate to the **API Library** section and enable the **Compute Engine API** for our project. This API would allow us to run a virtual machine in the cloud.

Next thing that we needed to do is set up a static IP address. A static IP address is an external IP address that is reserved for the project. To reserve a static IP address, we must find the section **VPC network** and select the sub-option **External IP addresses**. From there, we would provide our specified name, IP protocol to use, and region, which, in our case, are IPv4 and Europe-west1(Belgium) for closer proximity to the remote server. If we were to look up this address using whatismyipaddress.com, we can see that our settings are in fact correctly applied.

## Azure Web Deployment

The application project is deployed to Microsoft Azure. There are no particular settings that need to be adjusted other than having a Microsoft Azure account and credits on it. We have used the free credits that come one-time in order to keep the project up and running for demonstration purposes. We have to right-click on our project and click Publish. From there, select Azure and the application will shortly be deployed.

## Version Control

A need for version control was a necessity for the development team due to the scale of the project. GitHub proved to be a reliable version control tool by allowing each individual in the project to work in his own individual branch. An individual is able to make a pull request after pushing from his local branch to his remote branch. Then, he is able to create a pull request to let other collaborators know of the changes that they have made. The contributor and reviewers can then add comments and remarks to the potential changes before the changes are merged into the base branch in this case master. Other major pros of using GitHub include version control for identifying changes that are traceable with version history. If a potential bug was introduced during the span of the project and was merged into the project's main branch the project team is able to look over the commit history of the affected file and revert to a working version. Version history also provides the possibility to see a snapshot of the entire selected branch and the commits done to it at the point that the snapshot was taken.

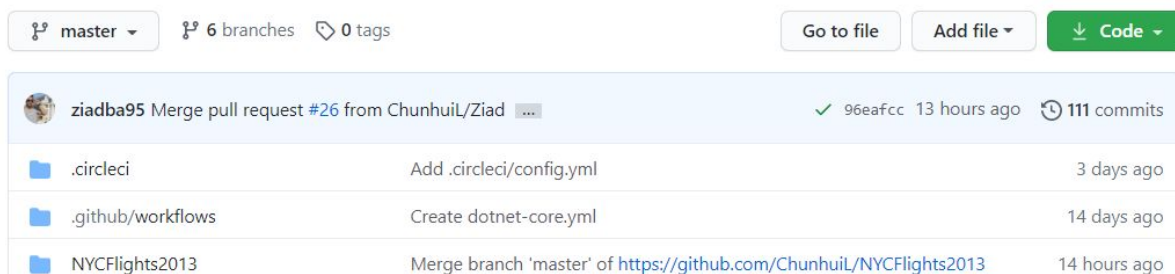


Figure 5: Project team's repository in master branch.

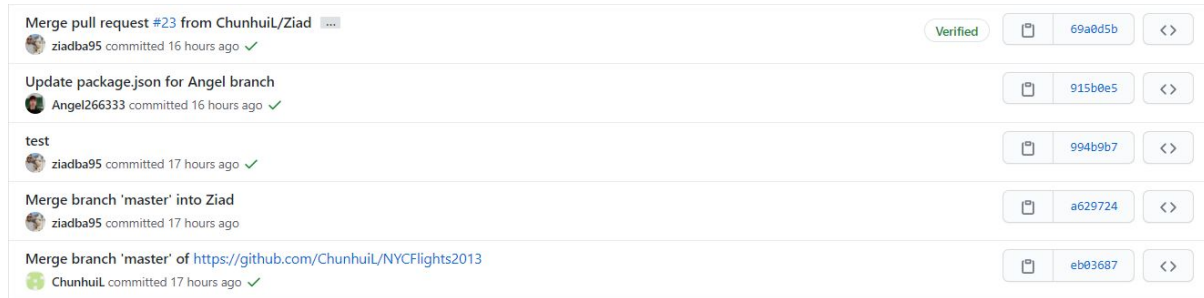


Figure 6: Selected section of commit history. Notice that pull requests have a “Verified” attribute to make contributors aware that the commit has been approved.

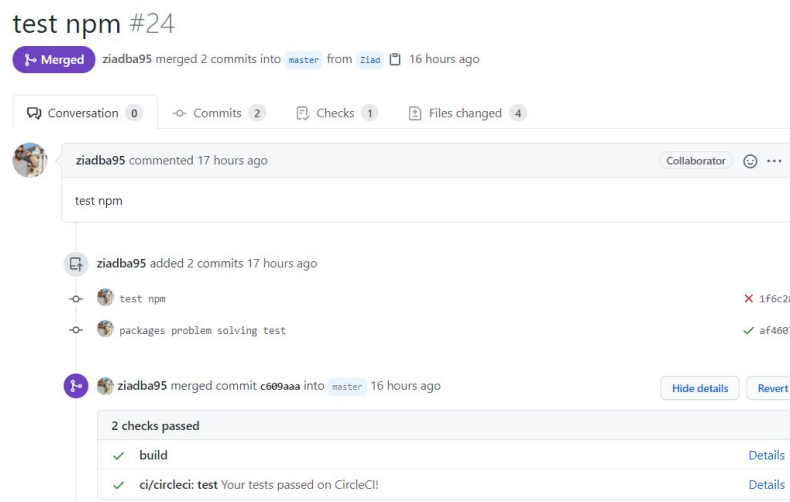


Figure 7: Example Pull Request being approved and merged into master.

## Automating parts of the workflow through of CI/CD:

Continuous Integration: Github actions and CircleCi were used to automate builds and testing on the completed and committed code.

Continuous Delivery: while there is no end-user there was no need for CD. in case there is an end-user the process will be to develop, build, test and deploy same as CI just with one step further.