

Code Quality and Analysis Tool

sonarqube

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What is SonarQube? What is it for?

• It is an open-source tool developed by <u>SonarSource</u> for continuous inspection of code quality, performing automatic detection of static analysis of code to detect bugs, code smells, and security vulnerabilities on 25+ programming languages.

• SonarQube offers reports on duplicated code, coding standards, unit tests, code coverage, code complexity, comments, bugs, and security vulnerabilities.





How it works

SonarQube uses several code analysis techniques to identify potential problems in the source code, including:

- Analysis of code quality metrics and indicators, such as cyclomatic complexity, code duplication, and test coverage.
- Analysis of coding rules and best practices, such as error handling, proper use of libraries, security and code optimization.
- Code security analysis, looking for vulnerabilities and potential security issues.





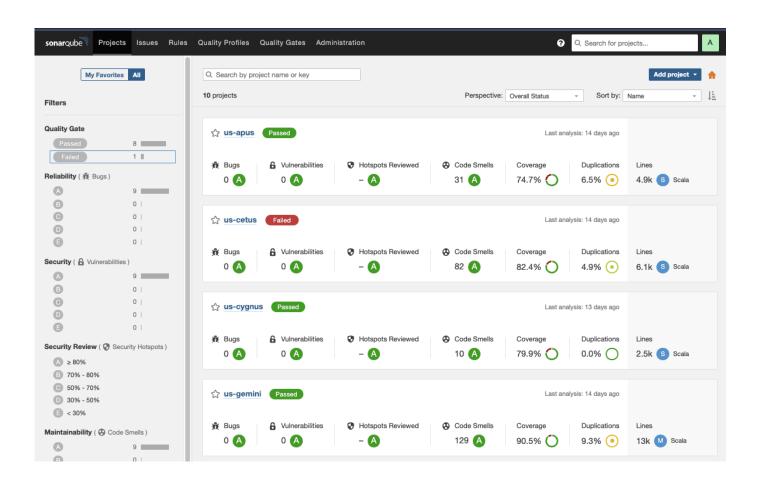
Metrics and Key Features

- **Code coverage**: indicates the percentage of code that is executed during testing. A 100% coverage indicates that all lines of code have been executed at least once during testing.
- **Cyclomatic complexity**: indicates the complexity of the program's control flow. High cyclomatic complexity values indicate that the code may be difficult to understand, test, and maintain.
- Number of vulnerabilities: indicates the number of potential code vulnerabilities identified during code security analysis.
- **Code duplication**: indicates the percentage of duplicated code in the project. The presence of duplicated code can make the code more difficult to maintain and can lead to consistency issues.
- **Technical debt**: indicates the cost of fixing the code over time. High technical debt indicates that the code will require more time and resources to fix in the future.
- Number of code smells: indicates the number of violations of coding best practices that could lead to maintainability and readability issues.
- Quality Gate: allows you to define acceptability rules and metrics for your code, If the code does not meet all defined criteria, the Quality Gate fails and the code analysis is considered unacceptable.
- And others...





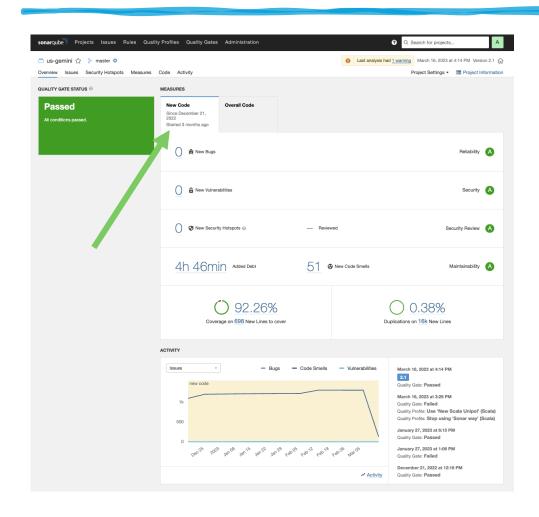
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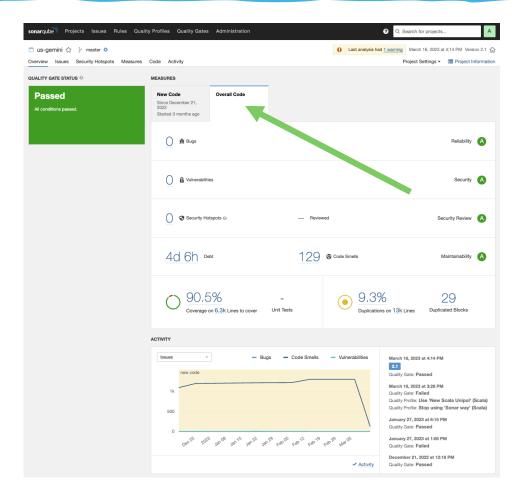






Sonar Dashboard – Overview Project

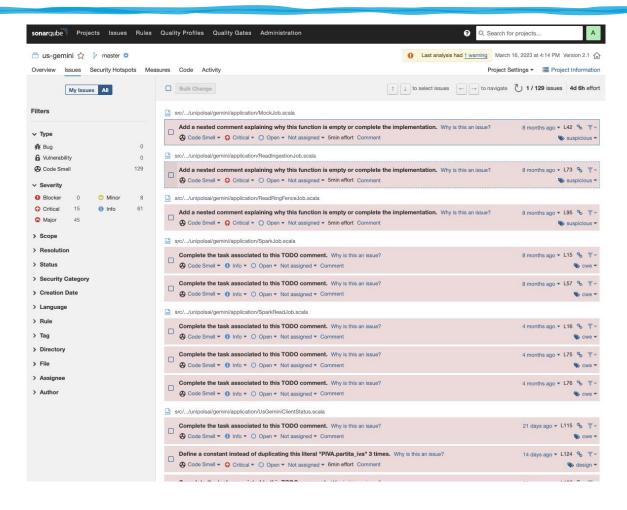








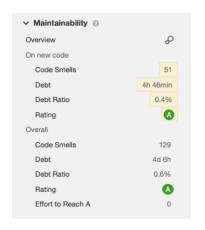
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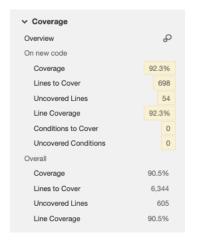


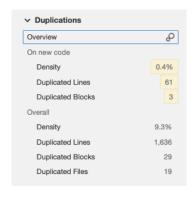




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New Lines	16,088
Lines of Code	12,842
Lines	17,559
Statements	1,827
Functions	627
Classes	181
Files	267
Comment Lines	2,881
Comments (%)	18.3%

∨ Complexity ②	
Cyclomatic Complexity	1,029
Cognitive Complexity	327

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New Issues

Issues

Open Issues

Reopened Issues

Confirmed Issues

False Positive Issues

Won't Fix Issues

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How use it locally

To use SonarQube in a local environment you can use simply use docker.

Once Docker has been installed, you can download and launch a local version of Sonarquube through the command:

docker run –d –p 9000:9000 sonarqube

With this command the SonarQube image will be automatically downloaded and run. The web interface will be available at **localhost:9000** with default credentials **admin/admin**

IMPORTANT: Actually official image of SonarQube is not supported by new silicon processor by Apple. You can run run this command instead of previous one:

docker run –d –p 9000:9000 mwizner/sonarqube:8.7.1-community

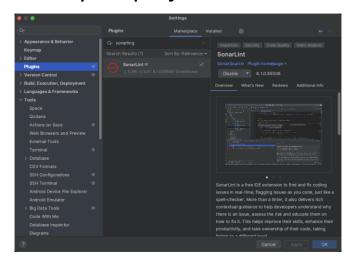




How use it in IDE

To use Sonar in your project you can use the plugin SonarLint:

- SonarLint is a free IDE plugin which helps developer to fix known bugs and vulnerabilities, follow coding standards & best practices: Plugin Page.
- Provides clear guidance on fixing the code issues before you commit to the source code.
- Project is analysed using SonarQube server and retrieves the appropriate settings and quality profile for your projects.



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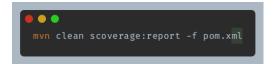


How to use in Maven Project (Scala)

To use Sonar in maven projects you need to:

Add Scoverage plugin in your pom:

Create an xml report:



• Launch sonar analysis:

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mvn sonar:sonar \
    -Dsonar.projectKey=$project \
    -Dsonar.sources=src/main/scala \
    -Dsonar.tests=src/test/scala \
    -Dsonar.host.url=http://localhost:$port \
    -Dsonar.login=$key \
    -Dsonar.scala.coverage.reportPaths="target/scoverage.xml"
```

A complete script to execute Sonar analysis is available here: SonarQube Script





How to use in Jenkins (Scala)

To use Sonar in Jenkins pipeline you need to:

- Install sonar plugin
- Install scoverage plugin
- Install cobertura plugin





To Know...

- Quality Profile Setup
- Quality Gate Setup
- Fail SonarQube Projects with Quality Gate Rules criteria.
- User and Groups
- Token creation, password change, email notifications
- Integration with Jenkins





Conclusion

- SonarQube performs static analysis of the code to evaluate the quality of it in terms of maintenance, reliability, efficiency and safety. The analysis of the quality code instead is performed in real time and it provides detailed feedback on the code, suggestions to improve it and report on the progress of the project.
- SonarQube is an excellent resource for development teams, as it helps to improve the software development process, identify code problems and to provide useful feedback to improve the quality of the code.