

Triggering Jenkins Remote Job from Slack

Objective:

To configure Slack to trigger a remote Jenkins job. This allows for seamless integration between your team communication tool (Slack) and your CI/CD pipeline (Jenkins).

Prerequisites:

Jenkins Server: Ensure Jenkins is installed and accessible.

Slack Workspace: A Slack workspace where you can create channels and install apps.

Slack App: Create a Slack app to interact with Jenkins.

Jenkins Slack Plugin: Install the Slack Notification Plugin on Jenkins.

Steps:

Step 1: Create Slack App and Incoming Webhook

Navigate to Slack API Console and create a new app.

Under 'Incoming Webhooks', enable them and create a new webhook that posts to a specific channel.

Save the Webhook URL; you'll use this to trigger Jenkins jobs.

Step 2: Configure Jenkins Job for Remote Access

Open the Jenkins job you want to trigger remotely.

Navigate to 'Configure' > 'Build Triggers'.

Check 'Trigger builds remotely (e.g., from scripts)'.

Enter an authentication token.

Save changes.

Step 3: Install and Configure Slack Notification Plugin in Jenkins

Go to 'Manage Jenkins' > 'Manage Plugins'.

Search for 'Slack Notification Plugin' and install it.

Navigate to 'Manage Jenkins' > 'Configure System'.

In the Slack section, add your Slack workspace and the webhook URL.

Step 4: Create a Slack Slash Command

Go back to your Slack app settings.

Navigate to 'Slash Commands' and create a new command.

Set the 'Request URL' to trigger the Jenkins job:

http://JENKINS_URL/job/JOB_NAME/build?token=YOUR_AUTH_TOKEN

Replace JENKINS_URL, JOB_NAME, and YOUR_AUTH_TOKEN with the actual values.

Step 5: Test the Setup

Go to your Slack channel.

Type the slash command you configured.

The Jenkins job should be triggered.