

Aim: Create a Jenkins CI/CD Pipeline with SonarQube / GitLab Integration to perform a static analysis of the code to detect bugs, code smells, and security vulnerabilities on a sample Web / Java / Python application.

Prerequisites:

1. Download Sonar Scanner:

Access the SonarQube documentation and download the SonarQube scanner CLI from this link:

<https://docs.sonarsource.com/sonarqube/latest/analyzing-source-code/scanners/sonarscanner/>

The screenshot shows the SonarScanner CLI documentation page. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with links to 'Homepage', 'Try out SonarQube', 'Server installation and setup', 'Analyzing source code', 'Scanners', 'Scanner environment', 'SonarScanner CLI', 'SonarQube extension for Azure DevOps', 'SonarScanner for Jenkins', 'SonarScanner for .NET', 'SonarScanner for Maven', 'SonarScanner for Gradle', 'SonarScanner for NPM', 'SonarScanner for Ant (Deprecated)', 'SonarScanner for Python (Beta)', 'Analysis parameters', and 'Language'. The main content area is titled 'SonarScanner CLI' and features a table with the following information:

SonarScanner	Issue Tracker	Show more
6.2		2024-09-17
Support PKCS12 truststore generated with OpenSSL		
Download scanner for: Linux x64 Linux AArch64 Windows x64 macOS x64 macOS AArch64 Docker		
Any (Requires a pre-installed JVM)		
Release notes		

Below the table, there is a note: 'The SonarScanner CLI is the scanner to use when there is no specific scanner for your build system. The SonarScanner does not yet officially support ARM architecture. Still, early adopters reported it is working fine. If you encounter problems, don't hesitate to share your experience with us on the [SonarQube](#) or [SonarCloud](#) Community Forum but keep in mind that there is no support at this time.'

A callout box states: 'The SonarScanners run on code that is checked out. See [Verifying the code checkout step of your build](#).'

On the right side, there is a 'START FREE' button and a list of links under 'On this page': 'Configuring your project', 'Running SonarScanner CLI from the zip file', 'Running SonarScanner CLI from the Docker image', 'Scanning C, C++, or Objective-C projects', 'Sample projects', 'Alternatives to sonar-project.properties', 'Alternate analysis directory', 'Advanced configuration', and 'Troubleshooting'.

2. After downloading, extract the zip file into a designated folder.

Install Docker:

Run the following command to verify Docker is installed:

```
PS C:\Users\athar> docker -v
Docker version 27.1.1, build 6312585
PS C:\Users\athar>
```

3 .Pull SonarQube Docker Image:

Install the SonarQube image by executing:

Copy code

```
docker pull sonarqube
```

```
PS C:\Users\athar> docker pull sonarqube
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from library/sonarqube
Digest: sha256:72e9feec71242af83faf65f95a40d5e3bb2822a6c3b2cda8568790f3d31aecde
Status: Image is up to date for sonarqube:latest
docker.io/library/sonarqube:latest

What's next:
  View a summary of image vulnerabilities and recommendations → docker scout quickview sonarqube
PS C:\Users\athar>
```

4. Ensure Jenkins is installed:

Confirm that Jenkins is installed and configured on your system.

Experiment Steps:

Step 1:

Run the SonarQube Docker container by entering the command below:

```
docker run -d --name sonarqube -e SONAR_ES_BOOTSTRAP_CHECKS_DISABLE=true -p 9000:9000 sonarqube:latest
```

```
PS C:\Users\athar> docker run -d --name sonarqube -e SONAR_ES_BOOTSTRAP_CHECKS_DISABLE=true -p 9000:9000 sonarqube:latest
30d07f472cd1d996fabfd8e3f2146d85423184fff4c2faaf1af93b85e4ef45f5
PS C:\Users\athar> |
```

Step 2:


After SonarQube is running, open your browser and go to <http://localhost:9000>.


Step 3:

Log in to SonarQube using the default credentials:

Username: admin Password: admin

You will be asked to reset the password after logging in for the first time. Set a new password and remember it.






Log in to SonarQube

Login *

Password *

[Go back](#) Log in

Update your password

 This account should not use the default password.

Enter a new password

All fields marked with * are required

Old Password *

New Password *

Confirm Password *

Update

Step 4:

On the SonarQube dashboard, click **Create a Local Project**. Provide a project name and a unique project key.

The SonarQube dashboard header includes the logo and navigation links: Projects, Issues, Rules, Quality Profiles, Quality Gates, Administration, More, and a search icon. On the right, there are links for help and a user profile.

How do you want to create your project?

Do you want to benefit from all of SonarQube's features (like repository import and Pull Request decoration)? Create your project from your favorite DevOps platform.

First, you need to set up a DevOps platform configuration.

Import from Azure DevOps Setup

Import from Bitbucket Cloud Setup

Import from Bitbucket Server Setup

Import from GitHub Setup

Import from GitLab Setup

Are you just testing or have an advanced use-case? Create a local project.

Create a local project

Warning: Embedded database should be used for evaluation purposes only. The embedded database will not scale, it will not support upgrading to newer versions of SonarQube, and there is no support for migrating your data out of it into a different database engine.

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Create a local project

Project display name *

atharvsonarqubetest ✓

Project key *

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Main branch name *

main

The name of your project's default branch [Learn More](#)

Cancel

Next



Your project has been created. ✕

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x

Set up project for Clean as You Code

The new code definition sets which part of your code will be considered new code. This helps you focus attention on the most recent changes to your project, enabling you to follow the Clean as You Code methodology. Learn more: [Defining New Code](#)

Choose the baseline for new code for this project

☒ Use the global setting

Previous version

Any code that has changed since the previous version is considered new code.
Recommended for projects following regular versions or releases.

☐ Define a specific setting for this project

☐ Previous version

Any code that has changed since the previous version is considered new code.
Recommended for projects following regular versions or releases.

☐ Number of days

Any code that has changed in the last x days is considered new code. If no action is taken on a new issue after x days, this issue will become part of the overall code.
Recommended for projects following continuous delivery.

☐ Reference branch

Choose a branch as the baseline for the new code.
Recommended for projects using feature branches.

[Back](#)[Create project](#)

Step 5:

Open Jenkins by navigating to the port on which it is installed:

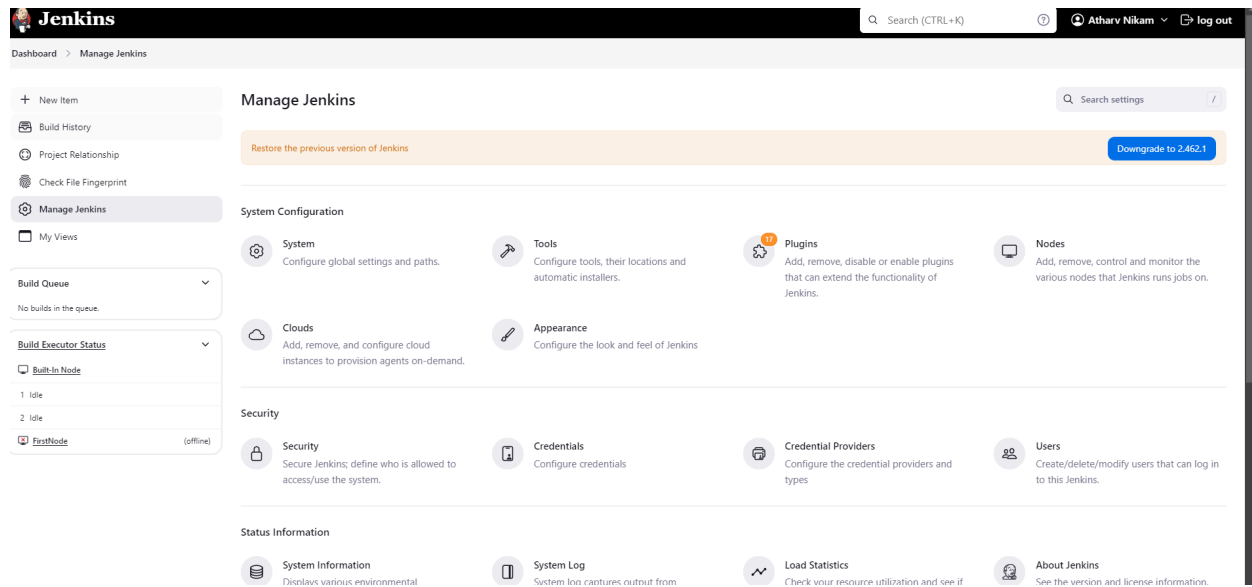
`http://localhost:<port_number>`

The screenshot shows the Jenkins Dashboard interface. At the top, there's a search bar and user information (Atharv Nikam). The main content area displays a table of build history with columns for status (S), warning (W), name, last success, last failure, and last duration. The table lists three builds: 'FirstJob', 'MyFirstPipeline', and 'TomcatProject'. The 'TomcatProject' build is marked as failed with a duration of 2.1 sec. On the left sidebar, there are links for 'New Item', 'Build History', 'Project Relationship', 'Check File Fingerprint', 'Manage Jenkins', and 'My Views'. Below these, there are sections for 'Build Queue' (showing no builds) and 'Build Executor Status' (showing two idle executors: 'Built-In Node' and 'FirstNode').

S	W	Name	Last Success	Last Failure	Last Duration
🟢	🟡	FirstJob	N/A	N/A	N/A
🟢	🟡	MyFirstPipeline	N/A	N/A	N/A
🔴	🟡	TomcatProject	N/A	27 days #1	2.1 sec

Step 6:

In Jenkins, go to **Manage Jenkins** → **Plugins** and search for **SonarQube Scanner for Jenkins**. Install the plugin.

**Step 7:**

Once installed, head to **Manage Jenkins** → **System**. Under **SonarQube Servers**, add your SonarQube server, and provide any necessary authentication tokens.



Step 8:

Next, under **Manage Jenkins** → **Tools**, navigate to **SonarQube Scanner** and configure it to automatically install the latest version.

SonarQube servers

If checked, job administrators will be able to inject a SonarQube server configuration as environment variables in the build.

☒ Environment variables

SonarQube installations

List of SonarQube installations

Name ✕

atharvsonarqube

Server URL

Default is http://localhost:9000

http://localhost:9000

Server authentication token

SonarQube authentication token. Mandatory when anonymous access is disabled.

- none -

+ Add +

Advanced ▾

Add SonarQube

Step 9:

Create a new pipeline item in Jenkins

New Item

Enter an item name

atharvsonarqubetest

Select an item type

**Freestyle project**

Classic, general-purpose job type that checks out from up to one SCM, executes build steps serially, followed by post-build steps like archiving artifacts and sending email notifications.

**Pipeline**

Orchestrates long-running activities that can span multiple build agents. Suitable for building pipelines (formerly known as workflows) and/or organizing complex activities that do not easily fit in free-style job type.

**Multi-configuration project**

Suitable for projects that need a large number of different configurations, such as testing on multiple environments, platform-specific builds, etc.

**Folder**

Creates a container that stores nested items in it. Useful for grouping things together. Unlike view, which is just a filter, a folder creates a separate namespace, so you can have multiple things of the same name as long as they are in different folders.

**Multibranch Pipeline**

Creates a set of Pipeline projects according to detected branches in one SCM repository.

**Organization Folder**

Creates a set of multibranch project subfolders by scanning for repositories.

OK

Step 10:

In the pipeline script section, input the following:

```
node {
  stage('Cloning the GitHub Repo') {
    git 'https://github.com/shazforiot/GOL.git'
  }

  stage('SonarQube Analysis') {
    withSonarQubeEnv('atharvsonarqube') {
      bat """
      <PATH_TO_SONARSCANNER_FOLDER>\\bin\\sonar-scanner.bat ^
      -D sonar.login=<SONARQUBE_LOGIN> ^
      -D sonar.password=<SONARQUBE_PASSWORD> ^
      -D sonar.projectKey=<PROJECT_KEY> ^
      -D sonar.exclusions=vendor/**,resources/**,**/*.java ^
      -D sonar.host.url=http://localhost:9000/
      """
    }
  }
}
```

Definition

Pipeline script

Script ?

```
2 stage('Cloning the GitHub Repo')
3 {
4   git 'https://github.com/shazforiot/GOL.git'
5 }
6 stage('SonarQube analysis') {
7   withSonarQubeEnv('sonarqube') {
8     bat """
9     D:\\sonar\\sonar-scanner-cli-6.2.0.4584-windows-x64\\sonar-scanner-6.2.0.4584-windows-x64\\bin\\sonar-scanner.bat ^
10    -D sonar.login=admin ^
11    -D sonar.password=atharv@123 ^
12    -D sonar.projectKey=atharvsonarqubetest ^
13    -D sonar.exclusions=vendor/**,resources/**,**/*.java ^
14    -D sonar.host.url=http://localhost:9000/
15    """
16  }
17 }
18 }
```

☒ Use Groovy Sandbox ?

[Pipeline Syntax](#)

Save

Apply

This script clones a sample Java project from GitHub, which has several issues that SonarQube will detect.

Step 11:

Go back to Jenkins, select the job you just created, and click **Build Now** to run the pipeline.



atharvsonarqubetest1

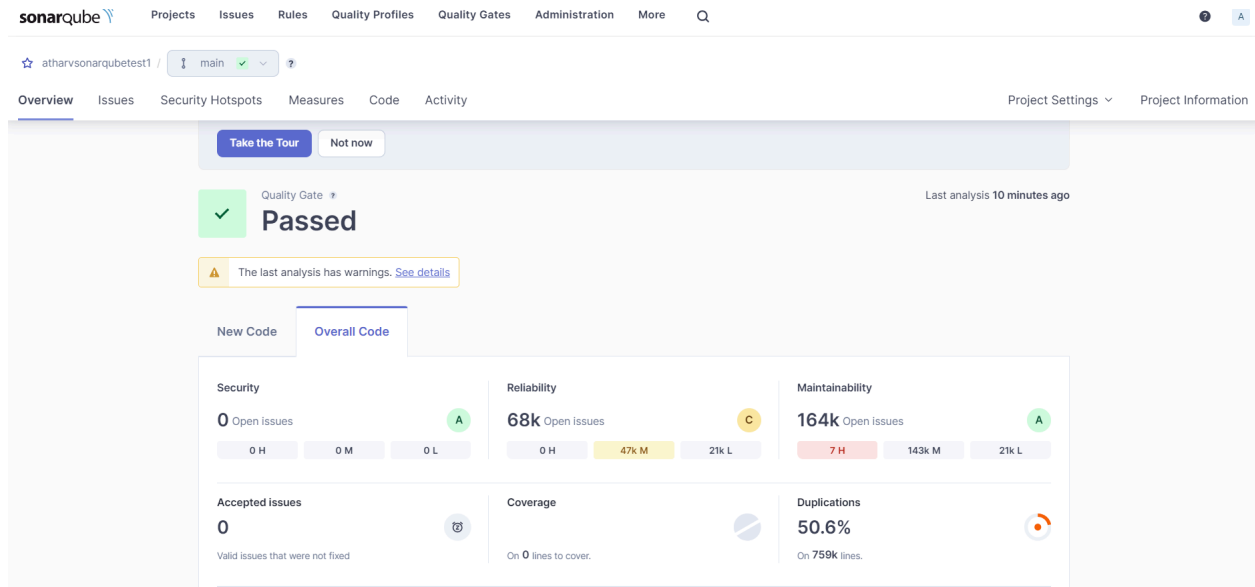
Permalinks

- Last build (#11), 6 min 16 sec ago
- Last stable build (#11), 6 min 16 sec ago
- Last successful build (#11), 6 min 16 sec ago
- Last failed build (#10), 8 min 31 sec ago
- Last unsuccessful build (#10), 8 min 31 sec ago
- Last completed build (#11), 6 min 16 sec ago

```
20:29:07.725 INFO   CPD Executor CPD calculation finished (done) | time=71153ms
20:29:07.910 INFO   SCM revision ID 'ba799ba7e1b576f04a4612322b0412c5e6e1e5e4'
20:30:07.200 INFO   Analysis report generated in 3510ms, dir size=126.4 MB
20:30:16.243 INFO   Analysis report compressed in 9029ms, zip size=29.5 MB
20:30:18.716 INFO   Analysis report uploaded in 2466ms
20:30:18.723 INFO   ANALYSIS SUCCESSFUL, you can find the results at: http://localhost:9000/dashboard?id=atharvsonarqubetest1
20:30:18.723 INFO   Note that you will be able to access the updated dashboard once the server has processed the submitted analysis report
20:30:18.723 INFO   More about the report processing at http://localhost:9000/api/ce/task?id=e3321ac6-d5a9-4e20-be13-d9d71fb2c392
20:30:31.564 INFO   Analysis total time: 5:54.794 s
20:30:31.583 INFO   SonarScanner Engine completed successfully
20:30:32.216 INFO   EXECUTION SUCCESS
20:30:32.278 INFO   Total time: 5:59.482s
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // withSonarQubeEnv
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // stage
[Pipeline] }
[Pipeline] // node
[Pipeline] End of Pipeline
Finished: SUCCESS
```

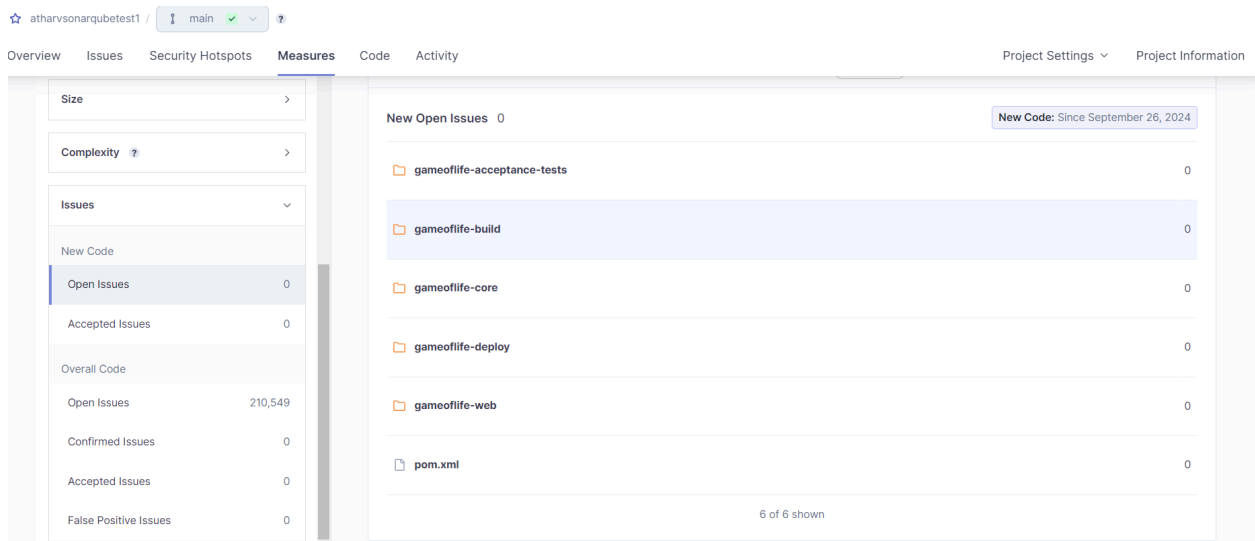
Step 12:

Once the build is complete, return to SonarQube to view the analysis of your project. Check for bugs, code smells, duplications, and other metrics related to the quality of your code.



Under different tabs, check all the issues with the code.

- Code Problems



• Consistency

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Overview **Issues** Security Hotspots Measures Code Activity Project Settings ▾ Project Inform

My Issues All

Filters [Clear All Filters](#)

Issues in new code

▼ Clean Code Attribute 1 ✕

Consistency	197k
Intentionality	14k
Adaptability	0
Responsibility	0

Add to selection [Ctrl + click](#)

▼ Software Quality

Security	0
Reliability	54k

gameoflife-core/build/reports/tests/all-tests.html

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☐ [Insert a <!DOCTYPE> declaration to before this <html> tag.](#) Consistency

Reliability ⚙ user-experience ▾

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☐ [Remove this deprecated "width" attribute.](#) Consistency

Maintainability ⚙ html5 obsolete ▾

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☐ [Remove this deprecated "align" attribute.](#) Consistency

Maintainability ⚙ html5 obsolete ▾

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• Intentionality

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gameoflife-acceptance-tests/Dockerfile

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Maintainability ⚙ No tags ▾

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• Bugs

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- 🔒 Vulnerability 0
- ⚙️ Code Smell 164k

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> Security Category

> Creation Date

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gameoflife-core/build/reports/tests/all-tests.html

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Consistency

Reliability

user-experience

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L1 • 5min effort • 4 years ago • Bug • Major

☐ Add "lang" and/or "xml:lang" attributes to this <html> element

Intentionality

Reliability

accessibility wcag2-a

Open Not assigned

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☐ Add "<th>" headers to this "<table>".

Intentionality

Reliability

accessibility wcag2-a

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• Code Smells

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gameoflife-acceptance-tests/Dockerfile

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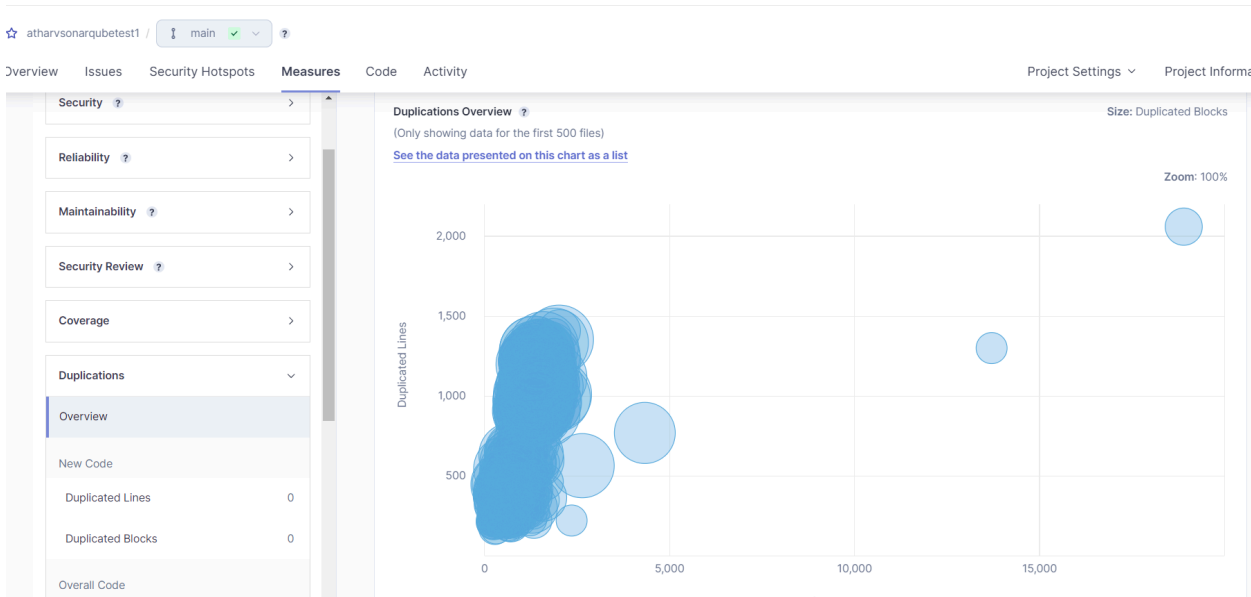
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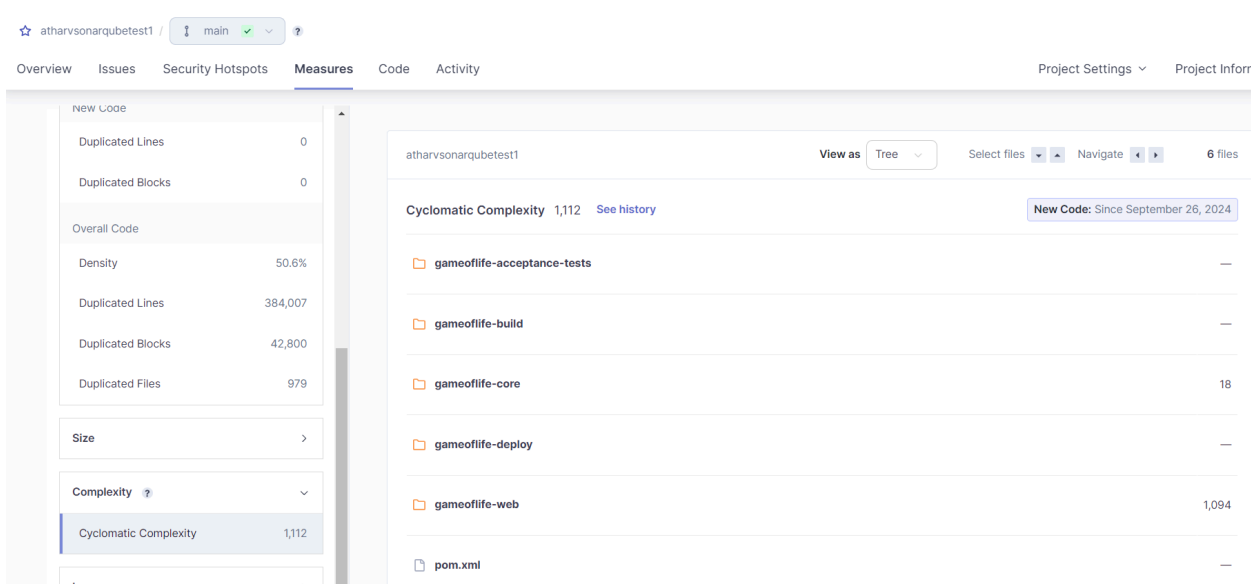
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Duplications



Cyclomatic Complexities



Conclusion:

This experiment allowed us to integrate Jenkins and SonarQube to set up a CI/CD pipeline capable of performing static analysis on Java code. Through this process, we automated the detection of common code issues such as bugs, code smells, and duplications. By leveraging Docker for SonarQube and the Jenkins pipeline, we streamlined the code scanning process, ensuring any issues were highlighted during the build phase. This integration demonstrates the importance of automated code quality checks in a continuous delivery environment