8.2.2024 - 15.5.2024

This learning diary goes through the following subject areas (based on Lapland UAS Cloud Computing):

Course organization and theory Research in Cloud Computing

Expanding Research Cloud Computing

Cloud-based Frontend Deployment

Cloud Deployment Foundations

Advanced Cloud Deployment Strategies

Cloud Databases

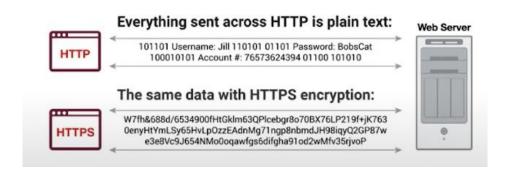
Ethics, Energy, Costs, and Security in Cloud Computing

8/9/10 February 2024, Module 1, Course theory

Terminology.

HTTP / HTTPS

- Hypertext Transfer Protocol (/ Secure)
- HTTPS encrypted, HTTP plain text



Git

- Version control
- Standard for version control in software development

Pipeline

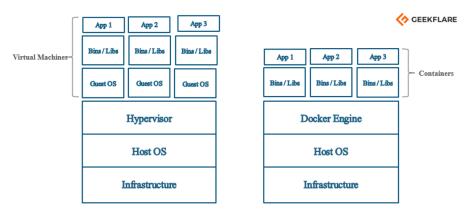
- Automated process that allows devs and DevOps professionals to efficiently compile, build and deploy.

Virtualization

- Process of creating a virtual version of something
- Virtual computer hardware platforms, storage devices, computer network resources

Containerization

 Lightweight alternative to full machine virtualization that involves encapsulating an application in a container with its own operating environment.



https://geekflare.com/docker-vs-virtual-machine/

Docker

- Containerization platform
- Allows devs to package apps into containers.

Docker Client: Docker Command Line

Interface (CLI)

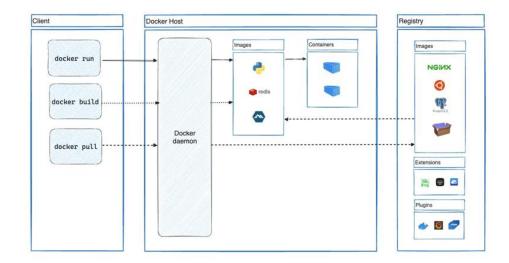
Docker Host: Docker server (kind a like

docker app) that is running

Docker Images: Docker Images are the blueprints of Docker containers. An image is a lightweight, standalone, and executable software package that includes everything needed to run a software application

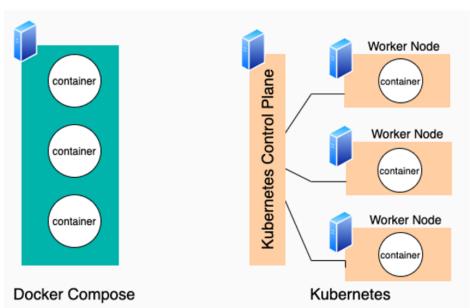
Docker Containers: A Docker Container is a runtime instance of a Docker image.

Docker Registry: The Docker Registry is where Docker images are stored. The registry can be public or private. The most well-known Docker registry is Docker Hub, which is a public cloud-based registry that allows you to share container images with your team, customers, or the Docker community at large



Kubernetes

- Container orchestration platform
- Place to run and manage containers
- Can handle deployment of containers in multiple servers
- Can automatically load balance, deploy the app in the least used server
- Automated Rollouts + Rollbacks, no build breaks so the app is always running.
- Can also scale performance by increasing or decreasing number of backend containers running



Cloud Service Offerings

- Public, Private and Hybrid Cloud
 - o Public cloud sells services to anyone on the internet
 - Private cloud is a proprietary network or a data center that supplies hosted services to limited number of people
 - Hybrid cloud is a combination of the previous two
- PaaS (Platform as a Service)
 - Cloud computing services that provide a platform allowing customers to develop, run and manage apps without building and maintaining the infrastructure.

- laaS (Infrastructure as a Service)
 - Online services that provide high-level APIs used to dereference various low-level details of underlying network infra like physical computing resources, location, data partitioning, scaling, security, backup
- SaaS (Software as a Service)
 - Method of delivering apps over the Internet as a service.
 - o Frees users from software and hardware management

Service Categories You Manage Platform Infrastructure Software On-premises (Private Cloud) (as a Service) (as a Service) (as a Service) Data & Access Data & Access Data & Access Data & Access Applications Applications **Applications Applications** Runtime **Operating System Operating System Operating System** Operating System Virtual Machine Virtual Machine Virtual Machine Virtual Machine Compute Compute Compute Networking Networking Networking Networking Storage Storage

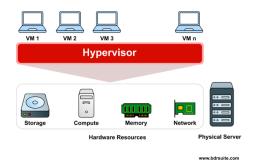
On Premise / Private Cloud

- Application runs in two computers. One is located in the shop, and another is in the server room
- Setup
 - o Buy the server computer
 - o Install Debian. No UI installed to the server
 - o Install Python
 - o Install and configure postgreSQL
 - Setup the backend
 - o Build the frontend as web app and host it in the server
 - Help the customer to setup the review computer by pointing the browser to 192.168.1.2 (server)
- o Manage:
 - Server physical infrastructure, including the server room keys
 - Server operating system updates
 Application components
 - Local Network
 - o Local Networ
- Positive aspects:
 - No sensitive data is sent to internet (but every aspect of security is managed by you)



Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)

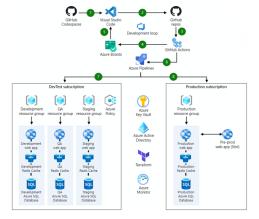
- Application runs in two computers. One is in the shop, and another is in a virtual server from an laaS provider
- Setup:
 - o buy a virtual server. Select Debian to be installed
 - o Install Python
 - o Install and configure postgreSQL
 - o Setup the backend
 - $\circ\quad \mbox{Build}$ the frontend as web app and host it in the server
 - Help the customer to setup the review computer by pointing the browser to https://back.end.fi (virtual server located somewhere)
- o Manage:
 - o Server operating system updates
 - o Application components
- o Provider manages:
 - o Sever snapshots (periodical backups of the whole setup)
 - o Network



https://www.bdrsuite.com/blog/physical-servers-vs-virtual-machines-what-are-the-differences/

Platform as a Service

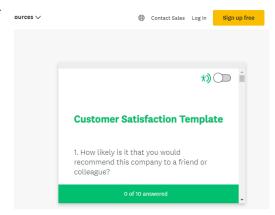
- Application runs in two places. One is located in the shop, and another is in a PaaS provider data center
- o Setup:
 - Select Paas-provider and setup the build pipeline. Create python Fast API build configs
 - Connect the backend into the provided/purchased postgreSQLdatabase
 - o Build the pipeline. App is automatically hosted
 - Help the customer to setup the review computer by pointing the browser to https://backend.paasprovider.com
- o Manage:
 - o Application build pipeline
- o Provider manages:
 - o Any physical infrastructure
 - o Database install, security and backups
 - o Build environment

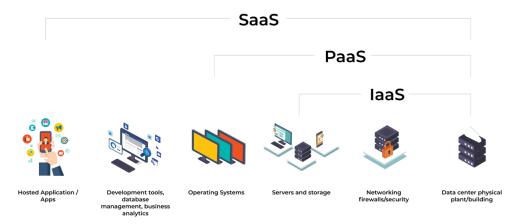


 $\underline{https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/solution-ideas/articles/dev-test-paas}$

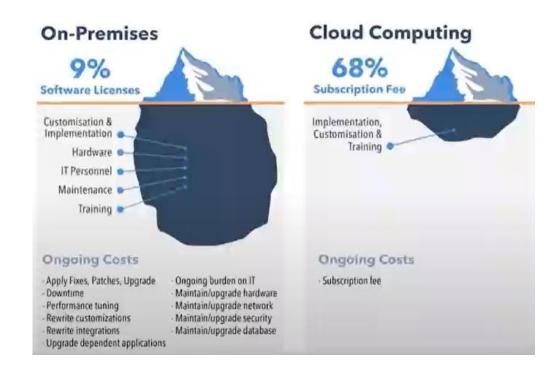
Software as a Service

- o Buy a subscription to a cloud service that does what we want.
- o Setup:
 - o Create account in f.ex. https://www.surveymonkey.com/
- o Manage:
 - o Build the form using the web Ui
- o Provider manages:
 - o Everything, but access and data





https://tezhost.com/cloud-computing/iaas-vs-saas-vs-paas/



Cost estimator tool:

https://cloud.google.com/products/calculator?hl=en

Online learning platforms:

- Free:
 - o AWS, Google Cloud, Azure
- P2P:
 - o coursera, Udemy, LearnDash

Exercise 1 (Module 1):

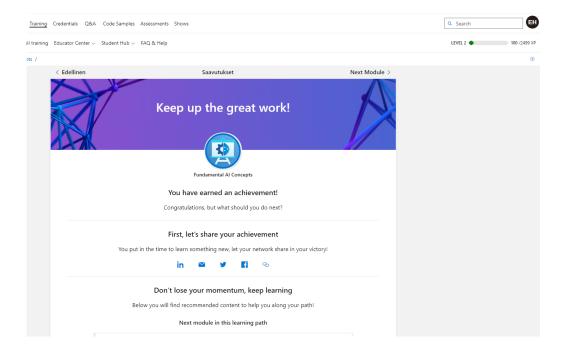
 computer vision: image classification, object detection, semantic segmentation, image analysis, face detection analysis, optical character recognition

- knowledge mining: term used to describe solutions that involve extracting information from large volumes of often unstructured data to create a searchable knowledge store
- risks with ai application dev:

Challenge or Risk	Example			
Bias can affect results	A loan-approval model discriminates by gender due to bias in the data with which it was trained			
Errors may cause harm	An autonomous vehicle experiences a system failure and causes a collision			
Data could be exposed	A medical diagnostic bot is trained using sensitive patient data, which is stored insecurely			
Solutions may not work for everyone	A home automation assistant provides no audio output for visually impaired users			
Users must trust a complex system	An Al-based financial tool makes investment recommendations - what are they based on?			
Who's liable for Al-driven decisions?	An innocent person is convicted of a crime based on evidence from facial recognition – who's responsible?			

Artificial Intelligence enables the creation of powerful solutions to many kinds of problems. All systems can exhibit human characteristics to analyze the world around them, make predictions or inferences, and act on them in ways that we could only imagine a short time ago.

With this power, comes responsibility. As developers of AI solutions, we must apply principles that ensure that everyone benefits from AI without disadvantaging any individual or section of society.



Exercise 2 (Module 1):

Cloud deployment plan for an app with relational database, backend and frontend. Specifying tech stack, cloud provider and laaS/PaaS.

Tech Stack:

- ReactJS as frontend

- Flask as backend
- MS SQL Server as db

Azure as Cloud provider. Service model would be PaaS to make the load on the Cloud end as light as possible for dev (me).

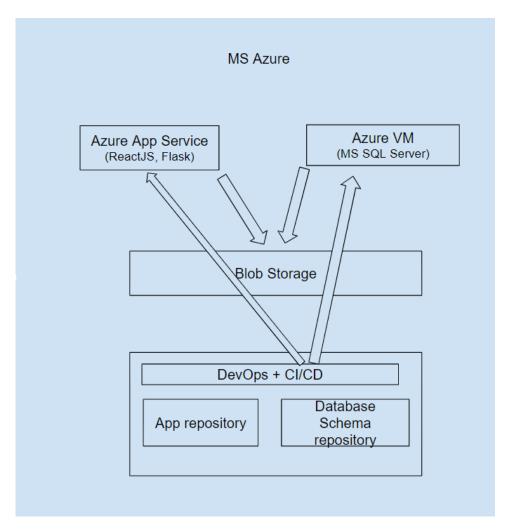
I would use App Service for hosting the front-/backend for the simplified deployment.

Azure VM for hosting my MS SQL server, I want the hands-on control for my database.

Blob Storage for the object / unstructured data storage and backups.

DevOps for the pipeline and version control.

Summasummarum, I use Azure in my everyday development work and I find it logical and somewhat simple to use.



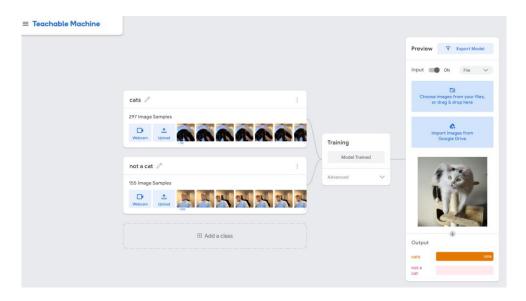
Create a basic ML model using Teachable Machine by choosing a type of model (image, pose, or sound), collecting your own dataset for training, and training your model. Integrate the trained model into an HTML file in a way that it performs a practical function of your choice.

Save in the Google Drive Folder as attachment

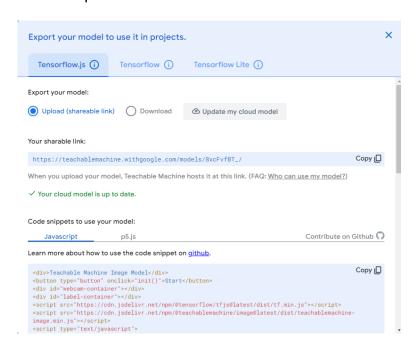
o HTML file with practical implementation

For the task I chose to do an img model, one-pager for helping people to know if they have a cat or not!

I trained the Teachable Machine with 300 cat pictures and 150 human pictures to recognize the difference.

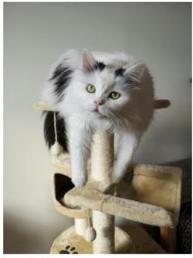


Then I exported the base:



Added btn upload and the project was ready. End result:

Upload a photo to find out whether you have a cat or not



cats: 1.00 not a cat: 0.00 Valitse tiedosto pexels-eva...83940.jpg

Source-code can be found in my Github:

https://github.com/ehellgre/cloud-computing-2024/tree/master/mlimage-model

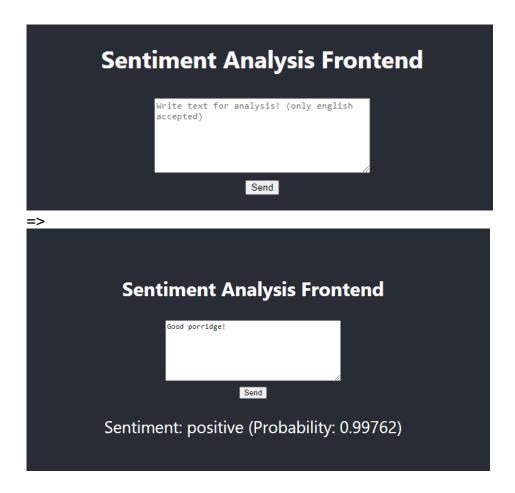
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Main Task:

- Develop and Deploy a Mobile-Friendly Sentiment Analysis Frontend
- **Objective**: Build a responsive, mobile-friendly web application that serves as the frontend for a sentiment analysis service
- **Deployment Target**: Utilize Render.com for hosting the application
- Key Requirements:
 - It must display the sentiment analysis results in an intuitive manner
 - Ensure that the design is responsive, providing an optimal user experience across various devices, including smartphones and tablets
 - Web application needs to have a build process. Use Vue, React or another framework. Using render.com (instead <u>Github</u> pages) is justifiable due to the required build-phase in your frontend

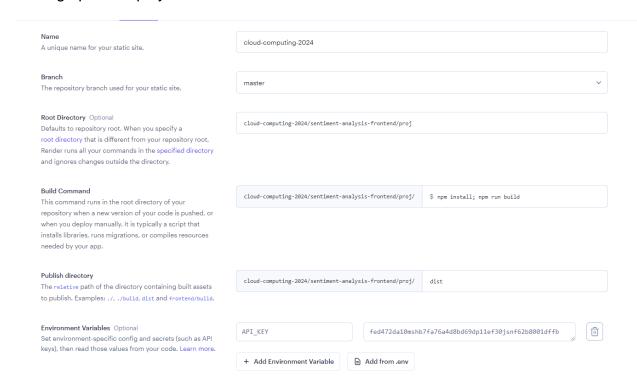
I quickly developed the needed frontend using React. I also used a public api for the sentiment analysis (https://rapidapi.com/symanto-symanto-default/api/sentiment-analysis9/).

Result frontend:



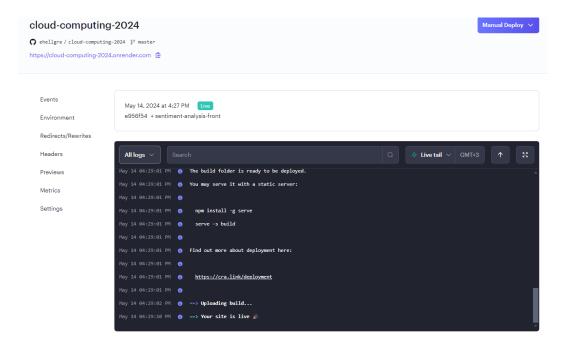
Source code again visible in my Github repo: https://github.com/ehellgre/cloud-computing-2024/tree/master/sentiment-analysis-frontend

Setting up the deployment:



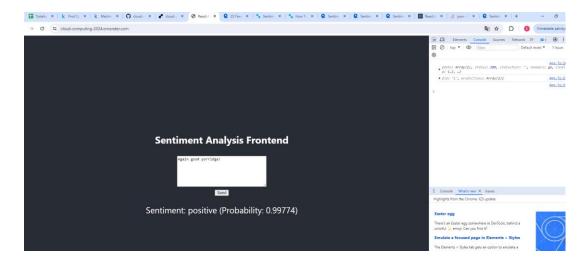
First build failed, correct publish dir should be build instead of dist.

After that change, build succeeded!



Bugfix: API_KEY changed to REACT_APP_API_KEY

Deployed result:



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Tasks:

Main task

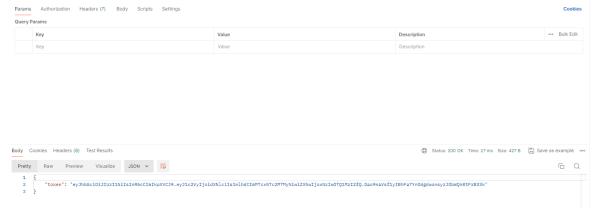
- Develop a sentiment analysis backend in Python. Create a GitHub to CSC OpenShift pipeline using a webhook. Host the backend on CSC Rahti OpenShift using the pipeline, ensuring it's accessible over HTTPS. Modify the frontend from Module 4 to integrate with this new sentiment analysis backend, using HTTPS for all connections. Reflect on, what you have learned about deployment
- Additionally, as a refresher on Docker, create a <u>Dockerfile</u> and a docker-compose file. Run the backend locally using Docker. Reflect on the Docker process in your learning diary. Ensure that <u>your</u> working docker-compose file and <u>Dockerfile</u> are included in the repository when you submit the link to the repository

Follow-Up Task

• Focus on security. Add token-based or JWT authentication to the backend. Briefly reflect on the security aspects of the backend.

First I created a Node.js server using express.

Then I skipped straight to the follow-up task and created a simple jwt-token based auth. Users must know this static bearer token to access the api.



Then I created a function that verifies the jwt-token and the api for the sentimentanalysis.

```
// verify the jwt-token
const verifyToken = (req, res, next) => {
   const token = req.headers.authorization?.split(' ')[1];
   if (!token) return res.status(401).json({ message: 'no token provided' });
       const decoded = jwt.verify(token, JWT_TOKEN);
       req.user = decoded;
       next();
   } catch (ex) {
       res.status(400).json({ message: 'Invalid token.' });
};
app.post('/sentiment-analysis', verifyToken, async (req, res) => {
   console.log(req.body)
   const text = req.body
   const jsonText = JSON.stringify(text)
   const options = {
       method: 'POST',
       url: 'https://sentiment-analysis9.p.rapidapi.com/sentiment',
       headers: {
           'Content-Type': 'application/json',
           Accept: 'application/json',
            'X-RapidAPI-Key': process.env.RAPIDAPI_KEY,
           'X-RapidAPI-Host': 'sentiment-analysis9.p.rapidapi.com'
       data: [{ id: '1', language: 'en', text: jsonText}]
       const response = await axios.request(options);
       res.json(response.data)
       console.log(response.data)
   } catch (error) {
       res.status(500).json({ message: 'Failed to fetch sentiment analysis', error: error.message
```

Then I did the needed changes to the frontend to hit the correct endpoint and added input for the jwt-token

Dev testing:

Sentiment Analysis Frontend					
Write text for analysis! (only english accepted)					
Enter jwt token					
Send					

(jwt-token visible for testing purposes)

Sentiment Analysis Frontend					
Today its bad porridge eyJhbGciOlJUZi1NilshR5cCi6lkpXVCJ9.eyJ1cZV Send					
jwt-token: eyJhbGciOiJIUzl1NilsInR5cCl6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VyljoidXNlcilsImlhdCl6M TcxNTc2MTMyNiwiZXhwljoxNzIwOTQ1Mzl2fQ.Dao9naVsf1yIBhFa7YnOdgdwonsyzJObWQk0tFrB33k					

=>

Sentiment Analysis Frontend				
Sentiment Analysis Frontend				
Today its bad porridge ayJhbGciOUJUz11NiklnR5cCl6kkpXVCJ9.ayJ1c2V Sand				
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Sentiment: negative (Probability: 0.82086)				
jwt-token: eyJhbGciOiJIUzl1NilsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VyljoidXNlcilsImlhdCl6M TcxNTc2MTMyNiwiZXhwljoxNzlwOTQ1Mzl2fQ.Dao9naVsf1ylBhFa7YnOdgdwonsyzJObWQk0tFrB33k				

Everything worked! Now lets try docker on local environment.

I created needed docker + docker-compose files:

```
# Use an official Node runtime as a parent image
FROM node:14-bullseye

# Set the working directory in the container
WORKDIR /app

# Copy the current directory contents into the container at /app
COPY . /app

# Install any needed packages specified in package.json
RUN npm install

# Make port 3001 available to the world outside this container
EXPOSE 3001

# Define environment variables
ENV NODE_ENV=production

# Run the app when the container launches
CMD ["node", "server.js"]
```

```
nent-analysis-backend >  docker-compose.yml

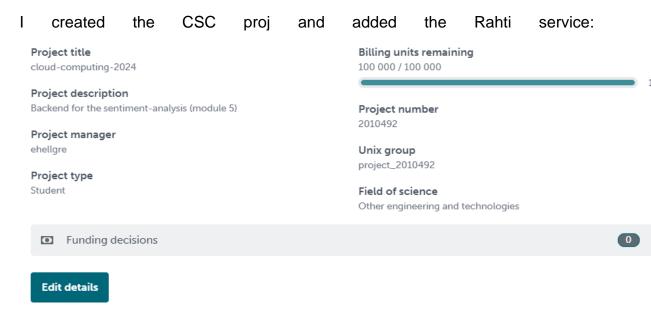
version: '3.8'
services:
app:
build: .
ports:
- "3001:3001"
env_file:
- .env
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=> >> sha256:80e7b1f500abc0e67ac3e4837776572ccb2ad3ab31719d4f61b64a828f28da18 451B / 451B
=> => extracting sha256:2d62772179f61f8fddfaed03ed2bdf7078b103b103d18d79abb40364830d56cf
=> => extracting sha256:9b293df1e1ca6c5d4ff93529fafef12b0f636ab6a7b739145e9f13a664af0521
=> => extracting sha256:e0530ed09cd95b41b982e4216c6664f31b4068915a86f517caaec6b97c810fbd0
=> => extracting sha256:408804cbb9eb10b086c745a40106b5549d3c4fef4944a15ea3ed71fe339676d5
=> => extracting sha256:80e7b1f500abc0e67ac3e4837776572ccb2ad3ab31719d4f61b64a828f28da18
=> => pinternal] load build context
=> => transferring context: 4.62MB
=> [app 1/4] MDRKDIR /app
=> [app 4/4] RUN npm install
=> [app] exporting to image
=> => exporting layers
=> => writing image sha256:f12a7bab9c0900e258d412dfa0213aac46bbd7cf7936c10e5ad4a7ab0eb8dda6
=> => naming to docker.io/library/sentiment-analysis-backend-app
[4] Running 1/1
= / Network sentiment-analysis-backend_default Created
= Container sentiment-analysis-backend-app-1 Created
Attaching to app-1
app-1 | server running: 3001
```

Everything works on that end too.

Now to the CSC:



Rahti container cloud

A cloud computing service that allows users to host applications and make them accessible over the web. Rahti is based on OKD, which is a distribution of Kubernetes.

Read more

https://research.csc.fi/-/rahti



Please note

It may take up to 30 minutes to gain access to the service after the activation.

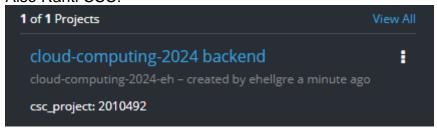
Service status

Enabled

Access granted

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Also Rahti CSC:



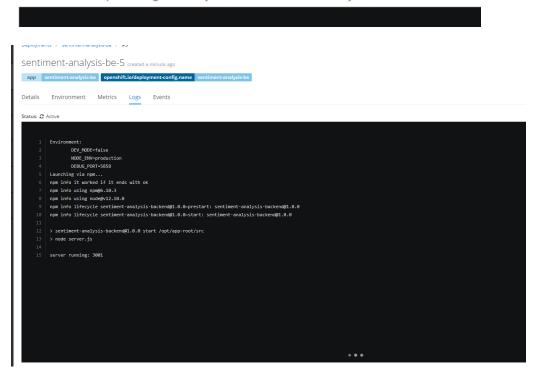
Now that projects have been created, I will move on to the pipeline.

Making routes https:

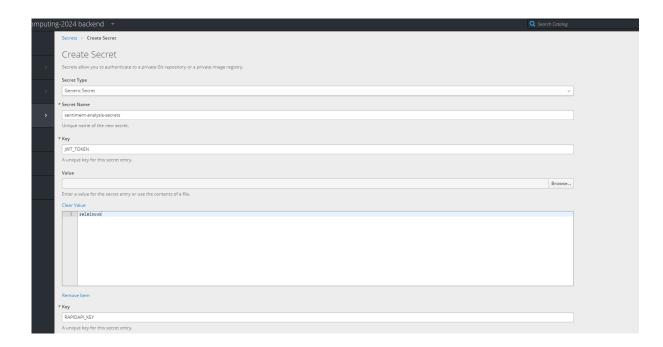


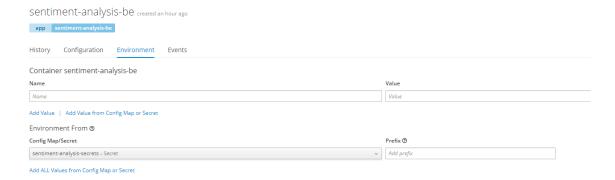
Build successful:

Status: ✔ Complete Log from May 15, 2024 3:23:21 PM to May 15, 2024 3:23:47 PM



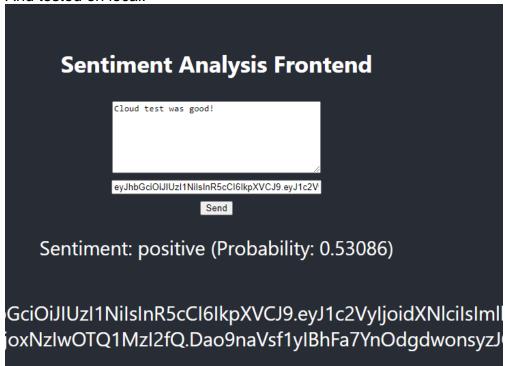
I also need to set the secrets, so I created new Generic Secret and placed them there:

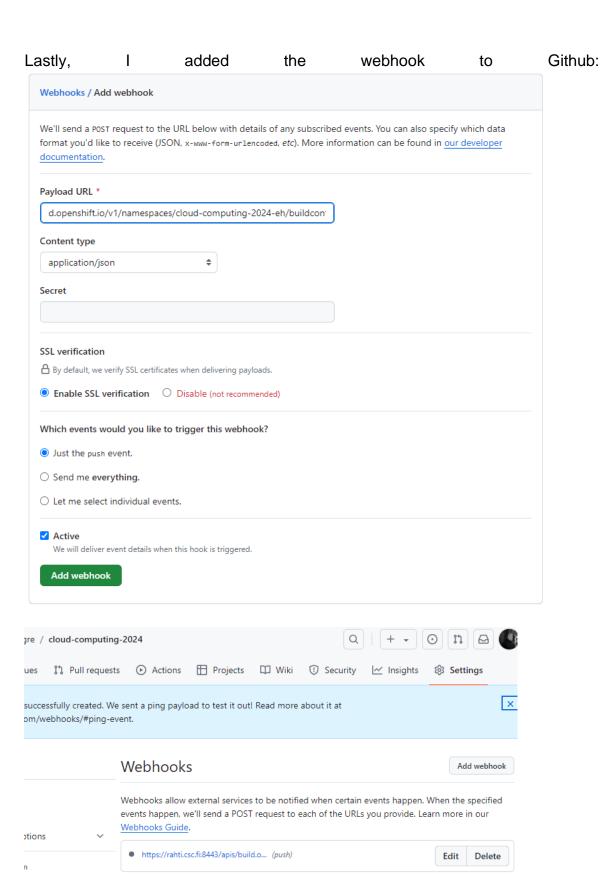




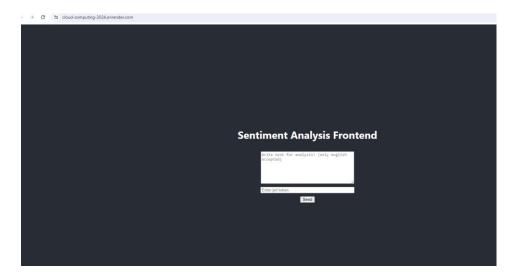
⇒ Then I made the last change to the frontend to hit the new endpoint url (https://sentiment-analysis-be-cloud-computing-2024-eh.rahtiapp.fi/sentiment-analysis).

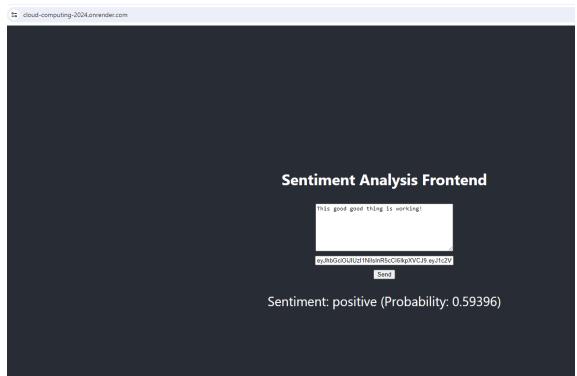
And tested on local:





Let's test on prod:





Everything works and looks good!

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