

Intro to Automated DB Deployments with GitHub

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Link to Today's Content

https://github.com/endlessautomation/SQLSat



Who's in the Audience?

- DevOps Engineers?
- Database Developers?
- Database Administrators?
- IT Managers?



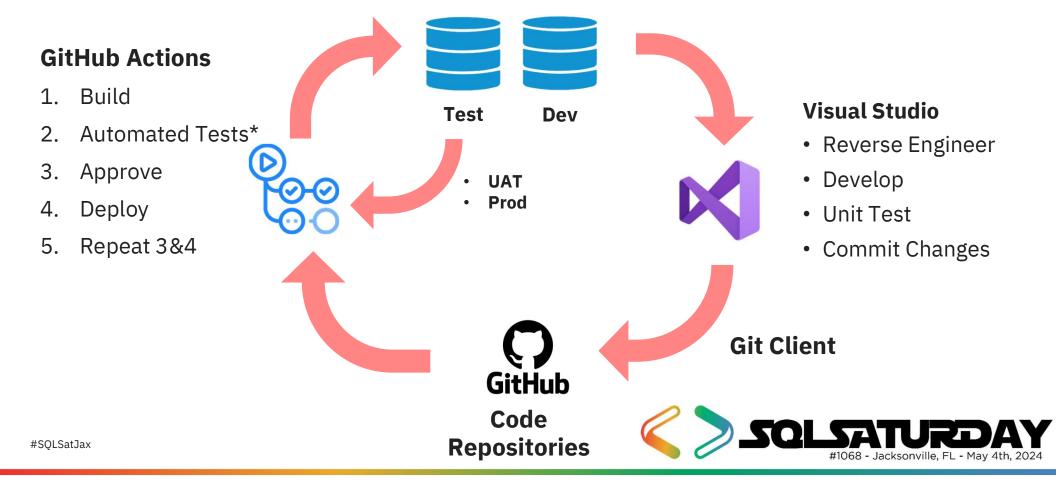
Who am I Expecting Today?

- Everyone, of course, especially
- Application Developers working with Databases
- Database Developers

Have some familiarity with source control



Agenda



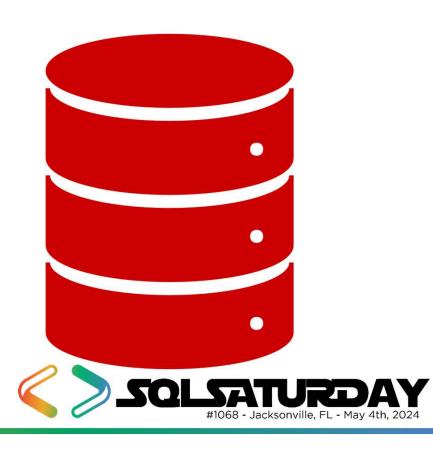


Introduction to Visual Studio

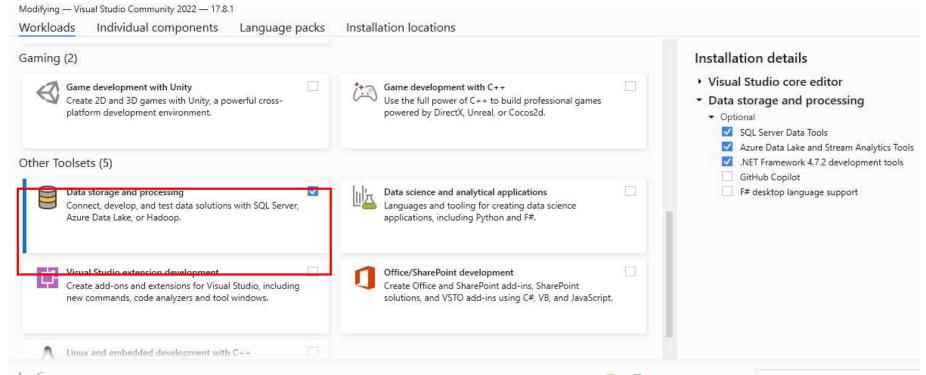
SQL Database Project

Visual Studio – SQL Database Project

- Long-Time Support for SQL Databases
- Build Projects with msbuild.exe
- Creates a .DACPAC for Deployment



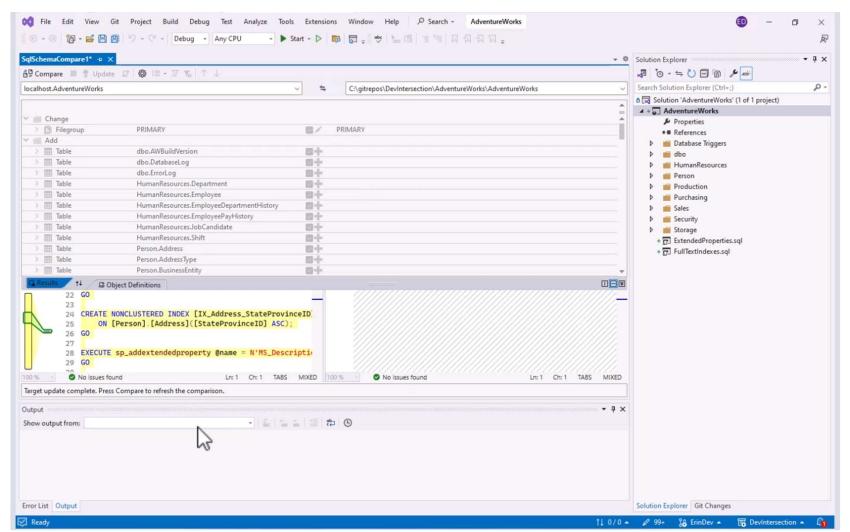
Visual Studio Installer







SQL Database Project Demo







Introduction to GitHub

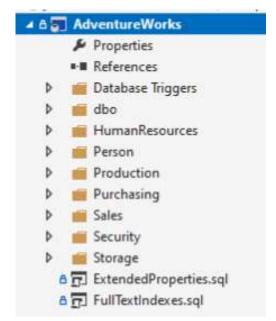
GitHub

- Public-focused Source Control Solution
- Code-focused
 - Tasks limited to Issue Logs
 - Often integration with Jira for task boards
- Acquired by Microsoft in 2019



GitHub Actions

- Manages code builds and deployments
- Triggered from many events
 - Code check-ins (push)
 - Pull Requests (pull_request)
- Define YOUR workflow with YAML!





What is YAML?



"YAML Ain't Markup Language



Configuration Layout



Used by both GitHub Actions and Azure Pipelines



Links to GitHub Actions

- Workflow Syntax https://tinyurl.com/4yz9bmjr
- Actions Marketplace https://tinyurl.com/386ner8r



YAML - GitHub Actions vs Azure Pipelines

```
name: Build AdventureWorks

on:
    push:
        branches: [main]
    workflow_dispatch:

jobs:
    build:
    runs-on: windows-latest
    steps:
    - uses: actions/checkout@v3

    - name: Add MSBuild to PATH
        uses: microsoft/setup-msbuild@v1.0.2

    - name: Build
        working-directory: ${{env.GITHUB_WORKSPACE}}
    run: msbuild /m /p:Configuration=Release Adventureworks/Adventureworks.sqlproj
```

```
trigger:
--main

pool:
--vmImage: windows-latest

jobs:
--job: buildDACPAC
--displayName: Build Azure Data Studio DACPAC
--steps:
Settings
---task: DotNetCoreCLI@2
---inputs:
----command: 'build'
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```



GitHub Workflow - Triggers

```
on:
pull_request:
branches: [ "test" ]

workflow_dispatch:
```

```
on:
pull_request:
types: [ "closed" ]
branches: [ "dev" ]

workflow_dispatch:
```

Quick Example #1

- 2 Triggers
- Pull request going to 'test' branch
 - Workflow runs when Pull Request is opened
- Manual trigger, workflow_dispatch

Quick Example #2

- 2 Triggers
- Pull request going to 'dev'
 - Workflow runs when PR is closed
- Manual trigger, workflow_dispatch



GitHub Workflow - Triggers

```
3     on:
4     push:
5     branches: [ "dev" ]
```

Quick Example #3

 1 Trigger - Push code to 'dev' branch



Jobs

- Run Sequentially or in Parallel
- Inherit settings from the Workflow
- Override Workflow settings
 - Ex: runs-on

```
build:
      runs-on: self-hosted
      steps:
               - uses: actions/checkout@v3
               - name: Add msbuild to PATH
                     uses: microsoft/setup-msbuild@v1.1
               - name: Build AdventureWorks DACPAC
                     run: msbuild AdventureWorks\AdventureWorks.sqlproj
              - uses: actions/upload-artifact@v3
                     with:
                              name: AdventureWorks
                             path: AdventureWork/bin/debug/AdventureWorks.dacpac
deploytoTest:
      name: Deploy DACPACs to Test
      needs: build
      runs-on: self-hosted
      environment: Test
      steps:
              - uses: actions/download-artifact@v3
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Runners

build:

runs-on: self-hosted

- Workflow Execution Agent
- GitHub-hosted
 - Windows
 - Ubuntu

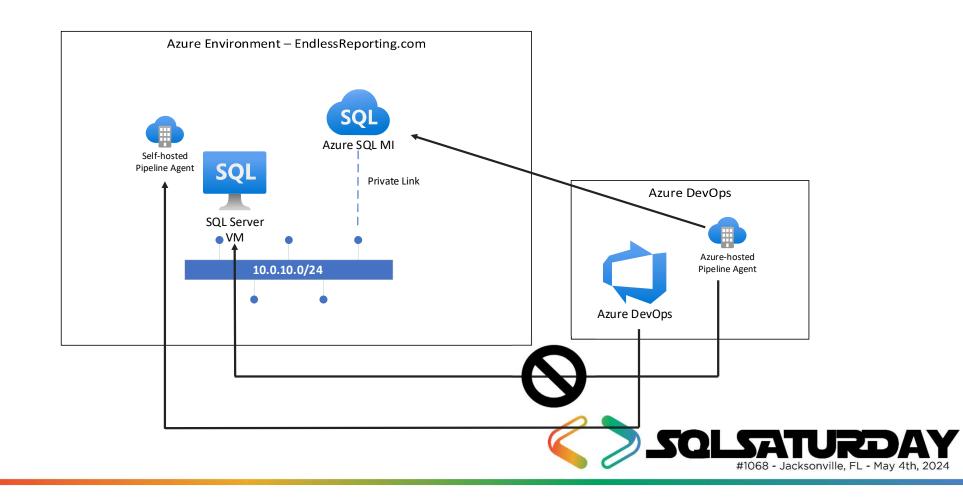
- ← Much, much faster
- Self-hosted
 - Windows
 - Linux
 - Mac



Network Communications

GitHub Action Workflows and Azure SQL DB/MI vs SQL Server Instances

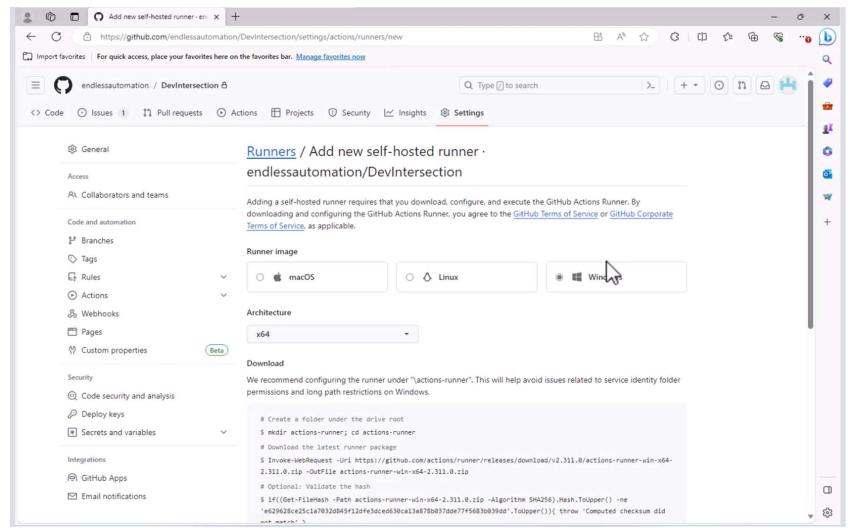
Self-hosted Runners



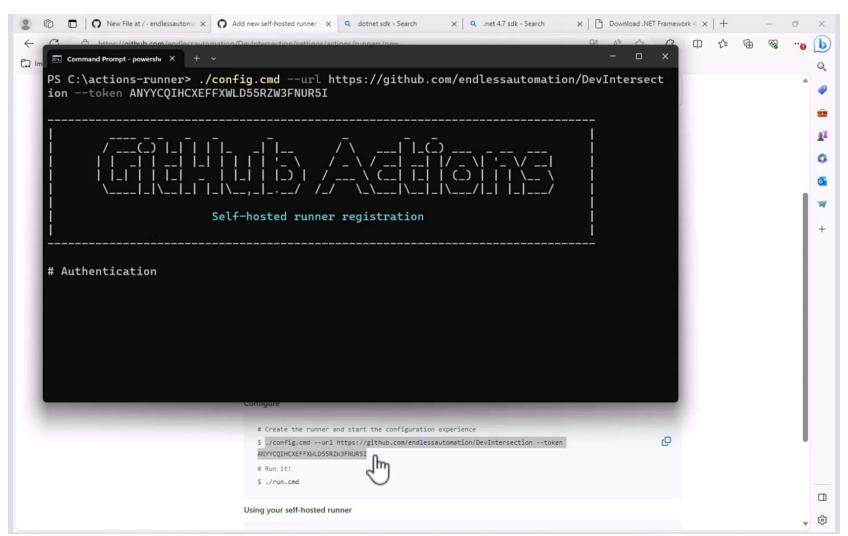
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GitHub Actions Self-Hosted Runner











GitHub Workflows Demo

Code Validation

Does the code build?

Does it meet basic tests?

Fix it before it gets to QA!



Code Validation

```
name: Validate Development Branch
on:
  pull_request:
    branches: [ "dev" ]
  workflow_dispatch:
jobs:
  buildCode:
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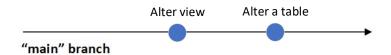




Branching Code

Branching Strategy

main branch

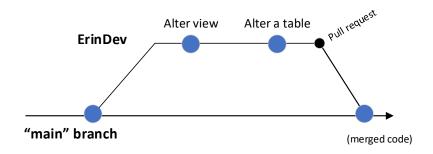


- Harder to determine when to start workflow
 - Trigger after view change?
 - Trigger after table change?



Branching Strategy

Developer branch and main



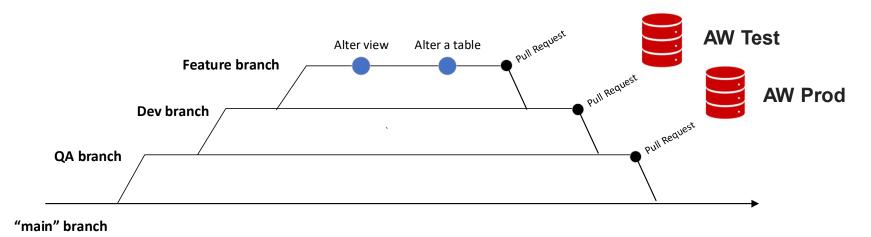
- Changes are merged into main together
- Pull Request (PR) can start automations



Pull Request

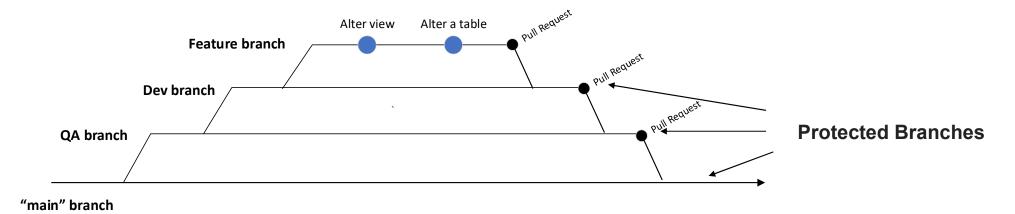
- Developer believes code is finished
- Changes are grouped together
- Associate work items
 - Requirements
 - Bugs
- Require approval by another team member

Potential Branching Strategy in GitHub





Potential Branching Strategy in GitHub





Pros and Cons

Pros

- Code collection
- Hotfixes from main to
 QA

Cons

- Lots of branches to maintain
- Pull requests wrong target



Protecting Code and Deployments

Wrap-up

Power Duo – Visual Studio and GitHub

 Manage Database Schema Alongside Application Code

Build and deploy changes with little effort

