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Objectives

The aim of this lab is to drive the attendees through:

- A very basic microservices architecture.
- The local deployment and test of this microservices architecture.
- The containerization of the architecture.
- The local deployment and test of the containerized architecture.
- The remote deployment and test of the architecture in the IBM Bluemix public cloud by using the IBM Bluemix Container Service.
- The automation of the deployment process by using the IBM Bluemix Continuous Delivery Service.
- The creation of an agile and continuous zero-downtime CI/CD process by integrating Active Deploy in the automated deployment process.
- End to end CI/CD flow demo.





Pre-requisites

This lab has been designed to be carried out on a UNIX-like system. Before getting started we must ensure we have installed the following tools in our system:

- Java (click here)
- Maven (click here)
- **Git** (click here)
- **Docker** (click here)
- Cloud Foundry CLI (click here)
- IBM Containers Cloud Foundry CLI plugin: (click here)

Run the following commands in your terminal:

\$> cf add-plugin-repo bluemix-cf https://plugins.ng.bluemix.net

\$> cf install-plugin IBM-Containers -r bluemix-cf

We will need a Bluemix and GitHub account:

- Bluemix account https://console.ng.bluemix.net/registration/ (Create space in US South region)
- **GitHub account** https://github.com/join?source=header-home

Finally, we need to create a workspace (a simple linux folder) which we are going to use to work with the code and where we are going to place the util scripts needed to complete the lab. In order to get the util scripts, go to the GitHub repo for this lab (here), download the *scripts.zip* file and unzip it within your workspace.



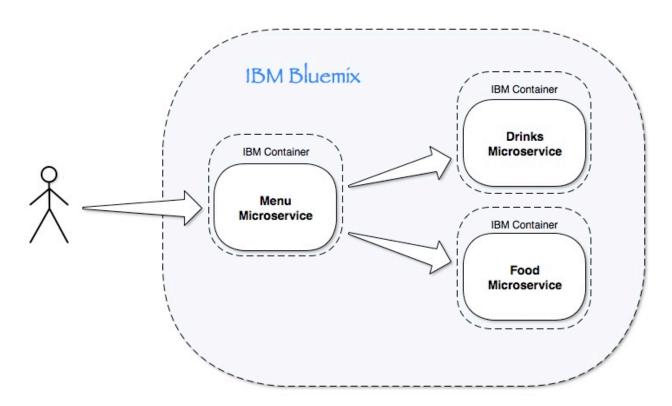




Introduction

During this lab, we will use a simple Java application which will display the 2017 IBM InterConnect menu consisting of drinks and food. This Java application is made up of three different microservices:

- **Menu** microservice: This microservice will request the drinks and food menus and display them as a single menu to the 2017 IBM InterConnect user.
- **Drinks** microservice: This microservice will retrieve the available drinks for the 2017 IBM InterConnect menu.
- Food microservice: This microservice will retrieve the available food for the 2017
 IBM InterConnect menu.



These microservices are simple Java Spring Boot applications which we will containerize and deploy onto Bluemix using the IBM Bluemix Container Service. We will firstly deploy these microservices on a manual fashion to later use the IBM Bluemix Continuous Delivery Service to automate the same deployment process. We will finally explore Active Deploy capabilities for an agile and zero-downtime CI/CD process.



Java Application

The 2017 IBM InterConnect menu application is a simple Java application implemented using Spring Boot technology. Spring framework helps you build web applications. It takes care of dependency injection, handles transactions, implements an MVC framework and provides foundation for the other Spring frameworks (including Spring Boot).

While you can do everything in Spring without <u>Spring Boot</u>, Spring Boot helps you get things done faster:

- simplifies your Spring dependencies, no more version collisions
- can be run straight from a command line without an application container
- build more with less code no need for XML, not even web.xml, autoconfiguration
- useful tools for running in production, database initialization, environment specific configuration files, collecting metrics

In this section, we will fork the three Java microservices GitHub repos, so that we get our own personal copy of the code to work with, modify, etc. without getting interfered by anyone. We will also deploy the app locally in our computers to see how the app looks like and get familiar with it.

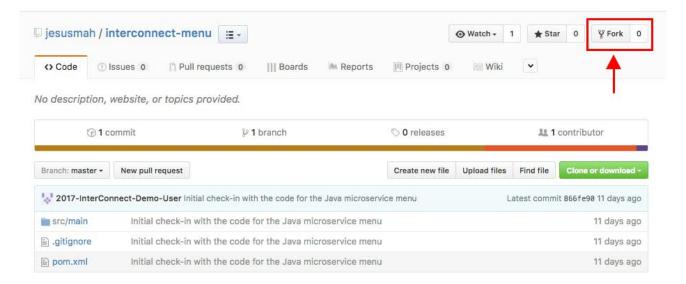
GitHub repositories for the Java microservices:

- **Menu** microservice: https://github.com/jesusmah/interconnect-menu
- **Drinks** microservice: https://github.com/jesusmah/interconnect-drinks
- Food microservice: https://github.com/jesusmah/interconnect-food



Execute each of the following steps for each of the three microservices:

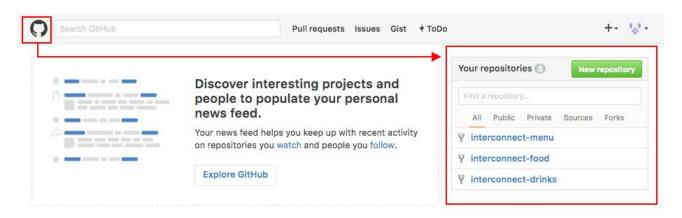
- 1. Fork GitHub repository
 - 1.1. Open the GitHub repo by clicking the corresponding link above.
 - 1.2. Click on the Fork button on the top right corner of the browser.



You should now see the Java project in your GitHub account:

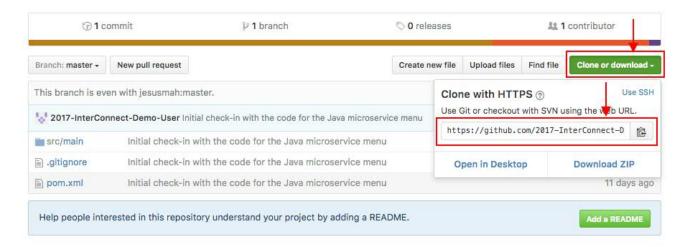


1.3. Repeat previous steps for the other two GitHub repositories.
After forking the three GitHub repository, your GitHub repository should look like:





- 2. Clone or download the code to your workstation
 - 2.1. Click on the Clone or download button and copy the address



2.2. Open a terminal and change directory to your workspace

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~$ cd Workspace/
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```

2.3. Clone or download the code from your GitHub repository by executing

\$git clone your-repository-url

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ git clone https://github.com/2017-InterConnect-Demo-User/interconnect-menu.git
Cloning into 'interconnect-menu'...
remote: Counting objects: 21, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (12/12), done.
remote: Total 21 (delta 0), reused 21 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Unpacking objects: 100% (21/21), done.
Checking connectivity... done.
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ ll
total 12
drwxrwxr-x 3 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 4 14:25 ./
drwxr-xr-x 19 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 4 14:25 ./
drwxr-xr-x 4 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 4 14:25 interconnect-menu/
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```



2.4. Repeat previous steps for the other two GitHub repositories.

Your workspace should now look like:

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ ll total 20 drwxrwxr-x 5 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 5 05:05 drwxr-xr-x 19 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 5 05:02 drwxrwxr-x 4 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 5 05:05 interconnect-drinks/drwxrwxr-x 4 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 5 05:05 interconnect-food/drwxrwxr-x 4 interconnect2017 interconnect2017 4096 Feb 4 14:25 interconnect-menu/interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```

- 3. Build Java applications
 - 3.1. Change directory into one of the three projects
 - 3.2. Build the Java application by executing

\$ mvn clean package

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace/interconnect-drinks/
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ cd interconnect-drinks/
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ interconnect-drinks$ mvn clean package
[INFO] Scanning for projects...
Downloading: https://repo.maven.apache.org/maven2/org/springframework/boot/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-starter-parent/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/1.4.0.RELEASE/spring-boot-dependencies/spring-boot-dependencies
```

After the build process has finished, you should see the following:



3.3. Repeat previous steps for the other two GitHub repositories.

If you execute the following in your workspace directory,

\$ find . -name interconnect17*jar

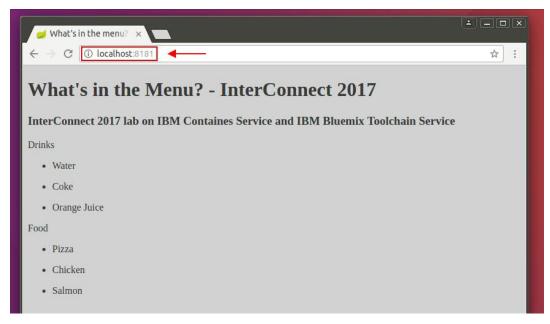
you should see the three Java application built jar files:

- 4. Execute the 2017 IBM InterConnect menu Java app
 - 4.1. Execute each of the three jar files in the background with their standard output redirected to /dev/null by issuing the following command:
 - \$ java -jar jar-file > /dev/null &

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace

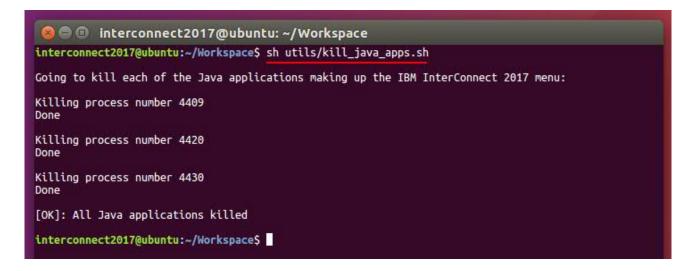
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ java -jar ./interconnect-food/target/interconnect17-food-1.jar > /dev/null & [1] 3276
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ java -jar ./interconnect-drinks/target/interconnect17-drinks-1.jar > /dev/null & [2] 3295
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ java -jar ./interconnect-menu/target/interconnect17-menu-1.jar > /dev/null & [3] 3316
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```

4.2. Check the 2017 IBM InterConnect menu application is working by pointing your browser to *localhost:8181*





- 5. Kill the local 2017 IBM InterConnect menu Java application
 - 5.1. Kill each of the previously spawn Java processes by executing the following script within the utils folder in your workspace
 - \$ sh utils/kill_java_apps.sh





Docker and Containers

<u>Docker</u> containers wrap a piece of software in a complete filesystem that contains everything needed to run: code, runtime, system tools, system libraries – anything that can be installed on a server. This guarantees that the software will always run the same, regardless of its environment. Key Docker containers properties:

- Lightweight Containers running on a single machine share the same operating system kernel; they start instantly and use less RAM. Images are constructed from layered filesystems and share common files, making disk usage and image downloads much more efficient.
- Open Docker containers are based on open standards, enabling containers to run on all major Linux distributions and on Microsoft Windows -- and on top of any infrastructure.
- **Secure** Containers isolate applications from one another and the underlying infrastructure, while providing an added layer of protection for the application.

In this section, we will go through the process of containerizing our three Java applications by using a <u>Dockerfile</u>. Later, we will create the Docker images for the three Java apps from their Dockerfiles to finally run the 2017 IBM InterConnect dockerized menu app locally in our workstations.



- 1. Containerize the Java applications
 - 1.1. Verify and understand Dockerfiles in each of the projects.

```
🔊 🗐 📵 interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace/interconnect-menu
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace/interconnect-menu$ cat Dockerfile
# The FROM instruction sets the Base Image for subsequent instructions.
# As such, a valid Dockerfile must have FROM as its first instruction.
# The image can be any valid image.
FROM java:8
# The ADD instruction copies new files, directories or remote file URLs
# from <src> and adds them to the filesystem of the image at the path <dest>.
ADD target/interconnect17-menu-1.jar app.jar
# The RUN instruction will execute any commands in a new layer
# on top of the current image and commit the results.
# The resulting committed image will be used for the next step in the Dockerfile.
# Layering RUN instructions and generating commits conforms to the core concepts
# of Docker where commits are cheap and containers can be created from
# any point in an image's history, much like source control.
RUN bash -c 'touch /app.jar'
# The EXPOSE instruction informs Docker that the container listens on
# the specified network ports at runtime.
# EXPOSE does not make the ports of the container accessible to the host.
# To do that, you must use either the -p flag to publish a range of ports
# or the -P flag to publish all of the exposed ports.
# You can expose one port number and publish it externally under another number.
EXPOSE 8181
# An ENTRYPOINT allows you to configure a container
# that will run as an executable.
# ENTRYPOINT ["executable", "param1", "param2", ...]
ENTRYPOINT ["java","-Djava.security.egd=file:/dev/./urandom","-jar","/app.jar"]
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace/interconnect-menuS
```

1.2. Build Docker image by executing within the folder containing the Dockerfile

```
$ docker build -t <docker_image_name> .
```

Important: mind the dot at the end of the instruction. It indicates the path to the Dockerfile

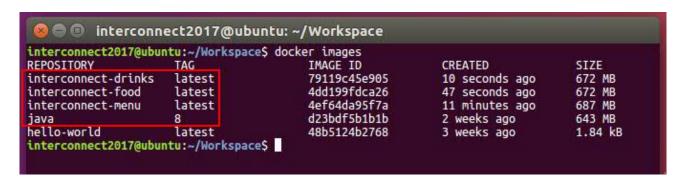


```
😂 🗐 📵 interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace/interconnect-menu
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace/interconnect-menu$ docker build -t interconnect-menu .
Sending build context to Docker daemon 21.81 MB
Step 1/5 : FROM java:8
 ---> d23bdf5b1b1b
Step 2/5 : ADD target/interconnect17-menu-1.jar app.jar
 ---> Using cache
 ---> 18fb25cd1cc6
Step 3/5 : RUN bash -c 'touch /app.jar'
 ---> Using cache
 ---> c13e8a1f129a
Step 4/5 : EXPOSE 8181
 ---> Using cache
 ---> bf0fe039d2ee
Step 5/5 : ENTRYPOINT java -Djava.security.egd=file:/dev/./urandom -jar /app.jar
 ---> Using cache
 ---> 4ef64da95f7a
Successfully built 4ef64da95f7a
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace/interconnect-menu$
```

1.3. Repeat previous steps for the other two Java project

After building the three images, your local Docker image registry should look like

\$ docker images



- 2. Run and test the dockerized/containerized 2017 IBM InterConnect menu Java app
 - 2.1. Run the following command to startup a container with the drinks app and another with the food app

```
$ docker run --name <container_name> -p
<host_port>:<container_port> -d <docker_image>
```

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ docker run --name drinks -p 8081:8081 -d interconnect-drinks
db75547ff3a234232e9c4f362e400621a75ae29704ac732fd606dfd0987f3a3b
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ docker run --name food -p 8082:8082 -d interconnect-food
a91eca91b057161359ef1e88be39737593089cd877417f6e3e3449108d28572e
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```



2.2. Get drinks and food containers IPs by executing the *get_container_ips.sh* located within the *utils* folder

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ sh utils/get_container_ips.sh

Inspecting Docker container with ID: a91eca91b057

Container Image: interconnect-food
Container IP Address: 172.17.0.3

Inspecting Docker container with ID: db75547ff3a2

Container Image: interconnect-drinks
Container IP Address: 172.17.0.2
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```

2.3. Startup a container with the menu app by executing

```
$ docker run --name <container_name> -p
<host_port>: <container_port> -e
DRINKS_URL=<drinks_container_IP> -e
FOOD_URL=<food_container_IP> -d <docker_image>
```

<u>Important:</u> since applications are now encapsulated in containers, localhost do not make reference to your workstation but to the container itself. Thus, the menu app needs to get the drinks and food container IP addresses as environment variables so that it can reach those apps and retrieve their data.

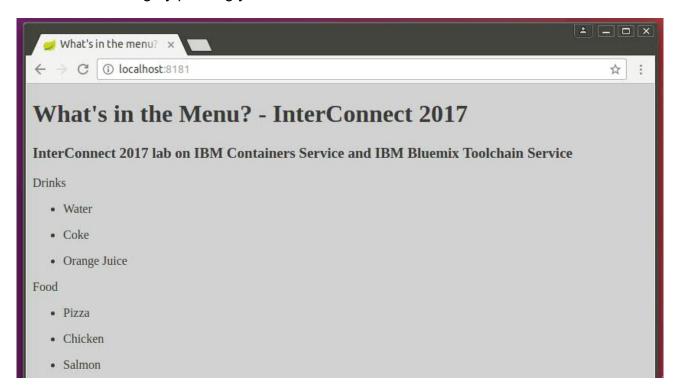
```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ docker run --name menu -p 8181:8181 -e DRINKS_URL="172.17.0.2"
-e FOOD_URL="172.17.0.3" -d interconnect-menu
8a79a0c717202b2bdfef0f9601e3a7446d167ac0dc5a4259990442b2866e1e7e
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```

2.4. At this point, if you execute docker ps you should see the following

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ docker ps
CONTAINER ID IMAGE COMM/
                                                            er ps
COMMAND
"java -Djava.secur..."
"java -Djava.secur..."
"java -Djava.secur..."
                                                                                                CREATED
                                                                                                                             STATUS
                                                                                                                                                                                               NAMES
                                                                                                 3 minutes ago
8a79a0c71720
a91eca91b057
                            interconnect-menu interconnect-food
                                                                                                                             Up 3 minutes
Up 17 minutes
                                                                                                                                                           0.0.0.0:8181->8181/tcp
                                                                                                 17 minutes ago
                                                                                                                                                          0.0.0.0:8082->8082/tcp
0.0.0.0:8081->8081/tcp
db75547ff3a2
                            interconnect-drinks
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```



2.5. Check the dockerized/containerized 2017 IBM InterConnect menu application is working by pointing your browser to *localhost:8181*





IBM Bluemix Container Service

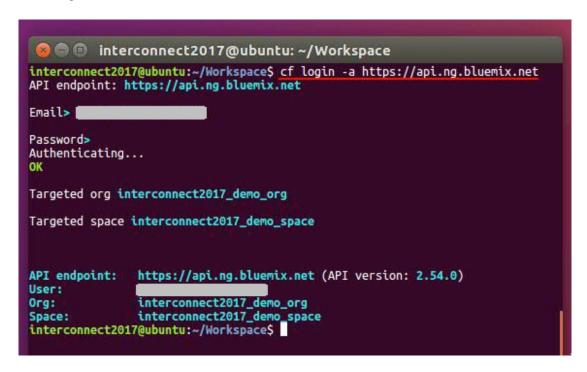
IBM Bluemix Container Service adapts Docker technology to enterprise application development, extending the benefits of resource allocation and isolation across public and private deployments, providing a private registry for your Docker images and the tools necessary to manage the entire life cycle of containerized applications you deploy in the cloud.

In this section, we will go through the same process of containerizing our three Java applications by using a <u>Dockerfile</u> but remotely in <u>IBM Bluemix</u>. We will now have our Docker images remotely in our private Docker Registry in IBM Bluemix. Finally, we will deploy those Docker images that make up the 2017 IBM InterConnect menu app remotely in IBM Bluemix public cloud by using the IBM Bluemix Container Service.



- 1. Open a terminal and log into IBM Bluemix by using your IBM Bluemix credentials (pre-requisite section) by executing
 - \$ cf login -a <API_endpoint>

Important: the API endpoint changes based upon the IBM Bluemix space region you want to work with. In this lab, we assume people will create a space in the US South region and work with it.



- 2. Create a namespace for your private Docker registry by executing
 - \$ cf ic namespace set <namespace_id>

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ cf ic namespace set interconnect2017_demo
interconnect2017_demo
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```



3. Initialize the IBM Bluemix Container Service CLI by executing cf ic init

```
🕽 🖨 📵 interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ cf ic init
Deleting old configuration file...
Generating client certificates for IBM Containers...
Storing client certificates in /home/interconnect2017/.ice/certs/...
Storing client certificates in /home/interconnect2017/.ice/certs/containers-api.ng.bluemix.net/78501daf-4cc7-4d41-8ba3-
5ddee67eb224...
The client certificates were retrieved.
Checking local Docker configuration...
Authenticating with the IBM Containers registry host registry.ng.bluemix.net...
on
You are authenticated with the IBM Containers registry.
Your organization's private Bluemix registry: registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo
You can choose from two ways to use the Docker CLI with IBM Containers:
Option 1: This option allows you to use '<mark>cf ic</mark>' for managing containers on IBM Containers while still using the Docker
CLI directly to manage your local Docker host.
Use this Cloud Foundry IBM Containers plug-in without affecting the local Docker environment:
            Example Usage:
            cf ic ps
cf ic images
Option 2: Use the Docker CLI directly. In this shell, override the local Docker environment by setting these variables to connect to IBM Containers. Copy and paste the following commands:

Note: Only some Docker commands are supported with this option. Run cf ic help to see which commands are suppor
export DOCKER_HOST=tcp://containers-api.ng.bluemix.net:8443
export DOCKER_CERT_PATH=/home/interconnect2017/.ice/certs/containers-api.ng.bluemix.net/78501daf-4cc7-4d41-8ba3
-5ddee67eb224
            export DOCKER_TLS_VERIFY=1
            Example Usage:
            docker ps
docker images
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```

4. Build the three Docker images in your private Bluemix Docker registry by using the IBM Bluemix Container Service build service

```
$ cf ic build -t
registry.<Bluemix_region>.<Bluemix_domain>/<Docker_private_namespa
ce>/<image_name> <path_to_Dockerfile>
```

Hence, the above command for one of the apps of this lab would be:

cf ic build -t registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017 demo/interconnect-drinks.



After executing the build command, you should see something like this

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu:-/Workspace/interconnect-drinks
interconnect2017@ubuntu:-/Workspace/interconnect-drinks of ic build -t registry.ng.bluenix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-drinks .sending build context to bocker daemon 14.75 MB
step 1: FROM javes 18
step 1: FROM javes 18
s. Pulling from library/java
5040bd208390: Pull complete
76610ec20bf5: Pull complete
60610ec20bf5: Pull complete
6081764ce181: Pull complete
698F736de8700: Pull complete
698F736de8700: Pull complete
11/76172de96: Pull co
```

Once the three images have been built, execute the command cf ic images to see the Docker images in your private Docker registry in Bluemix. You should see the following

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
   interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ cf ic images
REPOSITORY

registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibm-node-strong-pm
registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-drinks
registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibmnode
registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibmnode
registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibmnode
registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibmloberty
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registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibm-ma_agent
registry.ng.bluemix.net/ibm-wa_agent
registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-menu
registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-menu
  REPOSITORY
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  IMAGE ID
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    Interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```



5. Run the drinks and food Docker images in IBM Bluemix Container groups.

FYI: A single container in the IBM Bluemix Container Service is similar to a container that you create in your local Docker environment. Single containers are a good way to start with IBM Bluemix Container Service and to learn about how containers work in the IBM cloud and the features that IBM Bluemix Container Service provides. You can also use single containers to run simple app tests or during the development process of an app. Instead of a single container, you can also use a container group, which is used in this task. A container group includes two or more containers that run the same image. Use container groups for running long-term services with workloads that require scalability and reliability or for testing at the required scale.

```
$ cf ic group create --name <group_name> -p <port> --memory
<amount_of_memory> --auto --min <min_number_instances> --max
<max_number_instances> --desired <desired_number_instances>
<docker_image_from_your_private_registry>
```

You should see the following output

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace

interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ cf ic group create --name drinks_group -p 8081 --memory 128 --auto --min 1 --max 2 --desired 1 registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-drinks

OK

The container group creation was requested.
The container group "drinks_group" (id: 307fcda2-934b-4257-9e92-657ff37fd151) was created.

Minimum container instances: 1

Maximum container instances: 2

Desired container instances: 1

interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$
```

6. As we did when running drinks and app in containers locally, we need to get the IP addresses of those containers so that we can let them know to the menu app so that the menu app can reach the others. For doing so, execute bash get_group_ips.sh script within the *utils* folder

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$ bash utils/get_group_ips.sh

Getting name and Loadbalancer IP address for container group with ID: 821c7de6-bdd9-46e8-880e-0ab136eb943b

Group name: food_group
Loadbalancer IP: 172.29.0.4

Getting name and Loadbalancer IP address for container group with ID: 307fcda2-934b-4257-9e92-657ff37fd151

Group name: drinks_group
Loadbalancer IP: 172.29.0.2
interconnect2017@ubuntu: ~/Workspace$
```



Run the menu Docker image in an IBM Bluemix Container group passing the other apps' IP addresses by running

\$ cf ic group create --name <group_name> -p <port> --memory
<amount_of_memory> --auto --min <min_number_instances> --max
<max_number_instances> --desired <desired_number_instances> -e
DRINKS_URL=<drinks_container_IP> -e FOOD_URL=<food_container_IP>
<docker_image_from_your_private_registry>

```
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ bash utils/get_group_ips.sh

Getting name and Loadbalancer IP address for container group with ID: 821c7de6-bdd9-46e8-880e-0ab136eb943b

Group name: food_group
Loadbalancer IP: 172.29.0.4

Getting name and Loadbalancer IP address for container group with ID: 307fcda2-934b-4257-9e92-657ff37fd151

Group name: drinks_group
Loadbalancer IP: 172.29.0.2

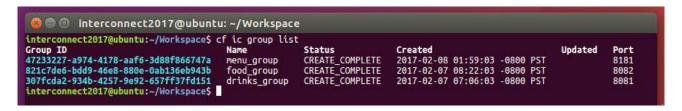
interconnect2017@ubuntu:~/Workspace$ cf ic group create --name menu_group -p 8181 --memory 128 --auto --min 1 --max 2 --desired 1

-e DRINKS_URL=172.29.0.2 -e FOOD_URL=172.29.0.4 registry.ng.bluemix.net/interconnect2017_demo/interconnect-menu

OK

The container group creation was requested.
The container group "menu_group" (id: 47233227-a974-4178-aaf6-3d88f866747a) was created.
Minimum container instances: 1
Maximum container instances: 2
Desired container instances: 1
Interconnect2017@ubuntu:-/Workspace$ ■
```

- Check the three container groups have been created by executing
 - \$ cf ic group list



9. Check three containers have been created by executing

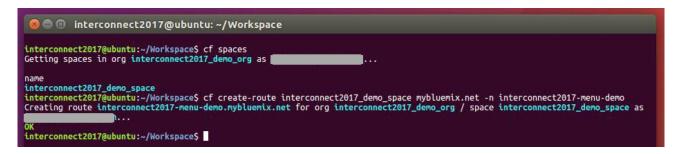
\$ cf ic ps





- Create a Public route to access the menu from outside of Bluemix
 - \$ cf create-route <Bluemix_space> <Bluemix_domain> -n <hostname>

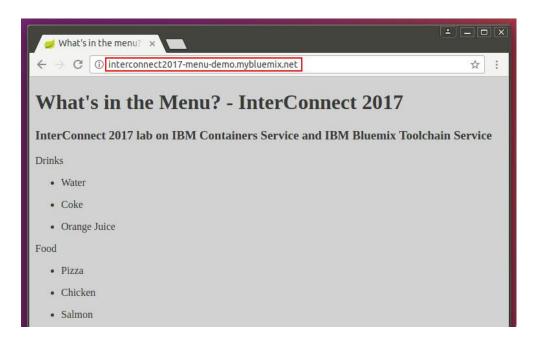
Important: hostname must be unique among all hostnames in the Bluemix public domain where your app is deployed. Hence, it is recommended to use some unique word in your hostname such as your surname.



- 11. Map that public route to the menu container group create in step 7 above
 - \$ cf ic route map -n <hostname> -d <Bluemix_domain>
 <container_group_name>

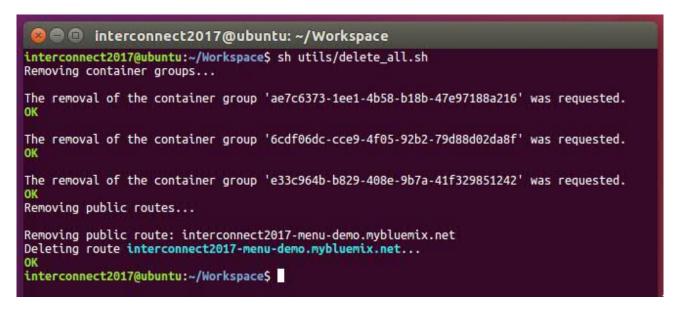


12. Check the dockerized/containerized 2017 IBM InterConnect menu application on the Bluemix public cloud is working by pointing your browser to the mapped route specified above





13. Delete all created container groups and public routes in preparation for next sections of this lab by executing the delete_all.sh script in the *utils* folder





IBM Bluemix Continuous Delivery Service

Use Continuous Delivery to automate builds, unit tests, deployments, and more. Edit and push code through the rich web based IDE. Create toolchains to enable tool integrations that support your development, deployment, and operation tasks.

A <u>toolchain</u> is a set of tool integrations that support development, deployment, and operations tasks. The collective power of a toolchain is greater than the sum of its individual tool integrations.

Tools

- GitHub GitHub makes it easy to manage source code and revision history, and to track bugs, feature requests and tasks in hosted Git repositories.
- Delivery Pipeline Continuously build and deploy. The Delivery Pipeline provides automated, continuous delivery to the IBM Bluemix cloud.

In this section, we will create a toolchain using the IBM Bluemix Continuous Delivery Service to automate the build and deployment to the IBM Bluemix public cloud of the 2017 InterConnect menu app. We will go through the creation and configuration of the GitHub and Delivery Pipeline tools for each of the three Java apps within our toolchain.



1. Create a toolchain from the IBM Bluemix Continuous Delivery Service 1.1. Open your Bluemix console in your web browser

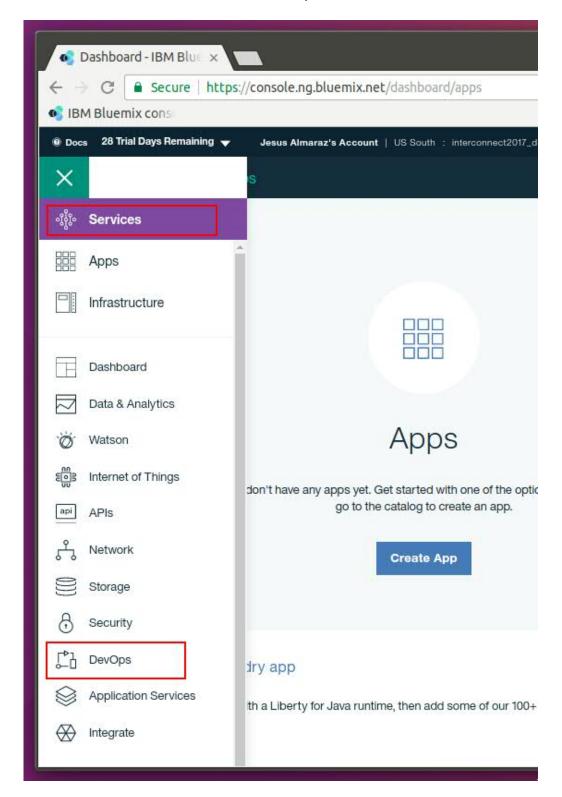


1.2. Open the left hand side menu



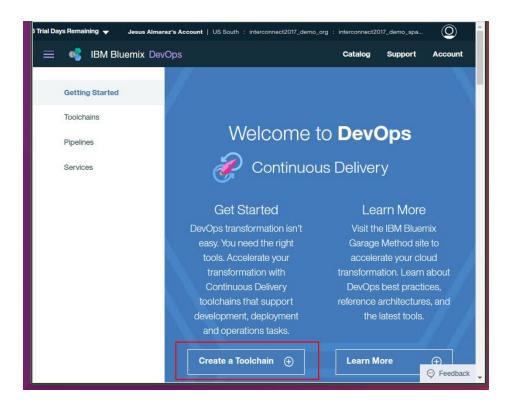


1.3. Click on Services and then on the DevOps subsection of it

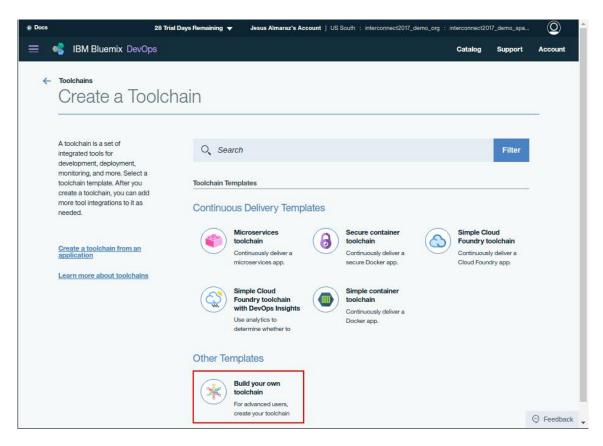




1.4. Click on Create a Toolchain

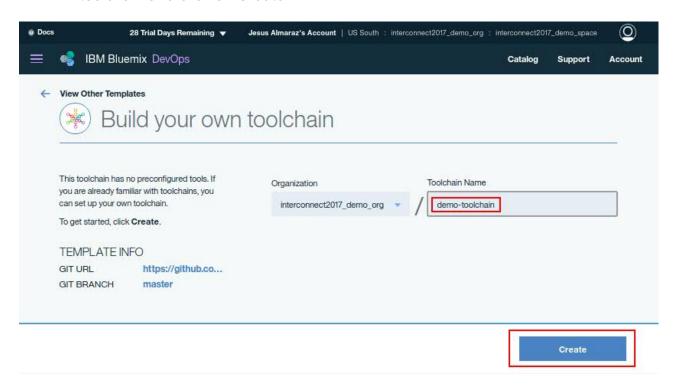


1.5. Click on Build your own toolchain



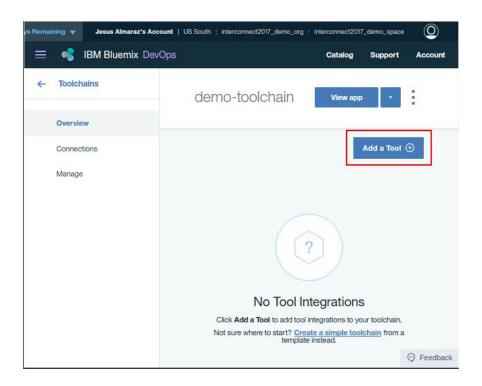


1.6. Make sure you select your organization, give an appropriate name to your toolchain and click on *Create*



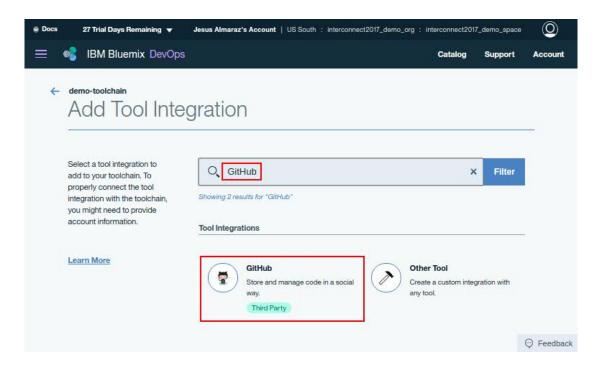
Now that we have our toolchain, we need to create a GitHub and Delivery pipeline for each of the three microservices and configure them appropriately.

2. Create a GitHub tool for each of the three microservices 2.1. Click on *Add a Tool*

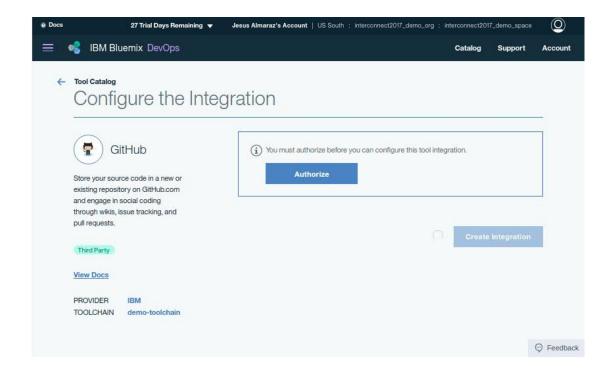




2.2. Search for GitHub and click on it

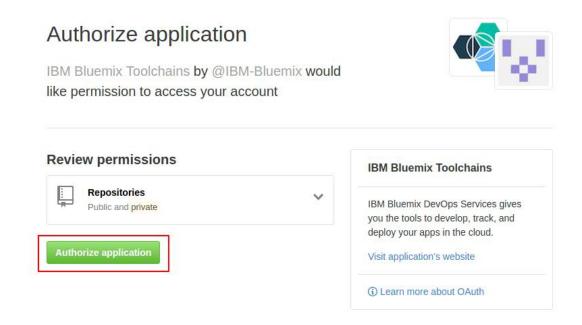


2.3. You need to authorize your toolchain's access to your GitHub account

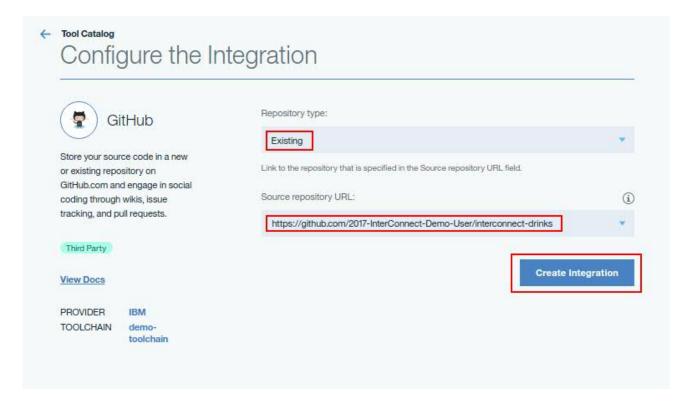




2.4. Enter your GitHub credentials and click on Authorize application



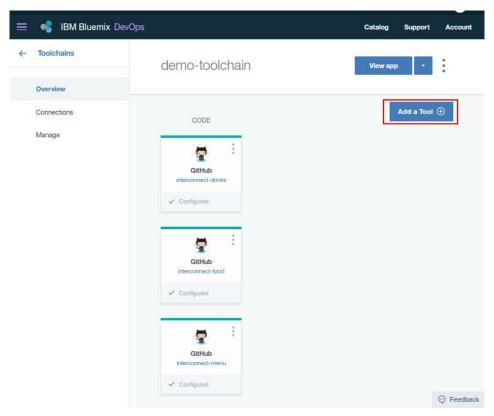
2.5. Select Existing for Repository Type and select one of the three Java app Github repositories. Then, click on Create Integration



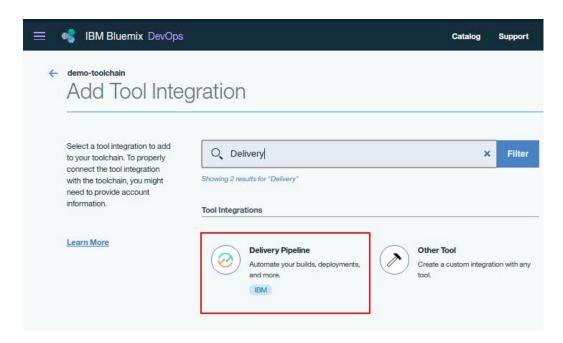


2.6. Repeat previous steps to create a GitHub tool for each of the three Java apps GitHub repositories

3. Create a Delivery Pipeline tool for each of the three Java apps 3.1. Click on *Add a Tool*

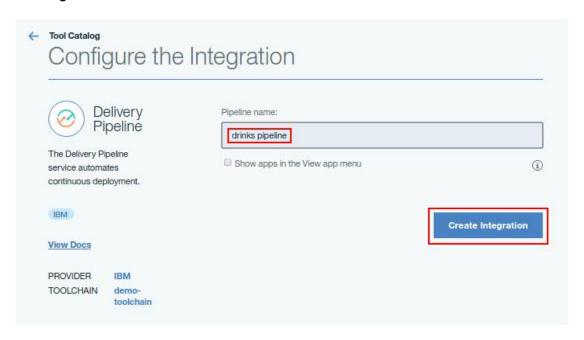


3.2. Search for Delivery Pipeline and click on it





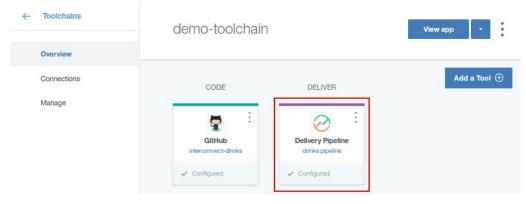
3.3. Give an appropriate name to your delivery pipeline and click on *Create Integration*



3.4. Repeat previous steps to create a Delivery Pipeline for each of the three Java apps

Now, we need to configure each of the three Delivery Pipelines in order to get them to do the build and deployment of each of the Java apps. This will consist of three stages:

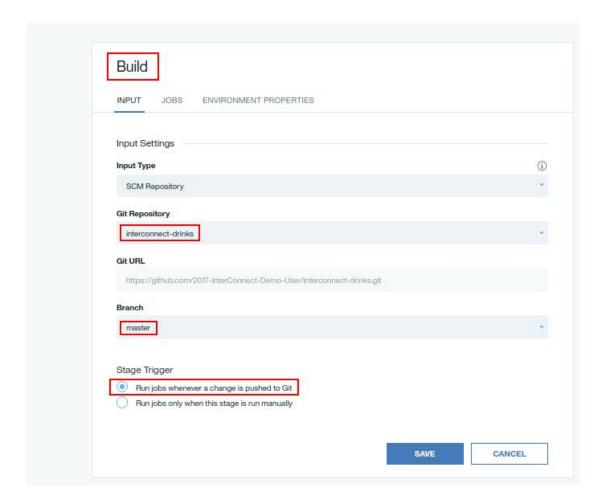
- I. Build where we will build the needed artefacts of the Java app from the code stored in its GitHub repository.
- II. Create Docker image where we will create a Docker image containing the built artefacts from step I.
- III. Deploy where we will deploy the Docker image created in step II onto the IBM Bluemix public cloud.
 - 4. Configure the Delivery Pipelines
 - 4.1. Click on the Delivery Pipeline tool display on your toolchain dashboard





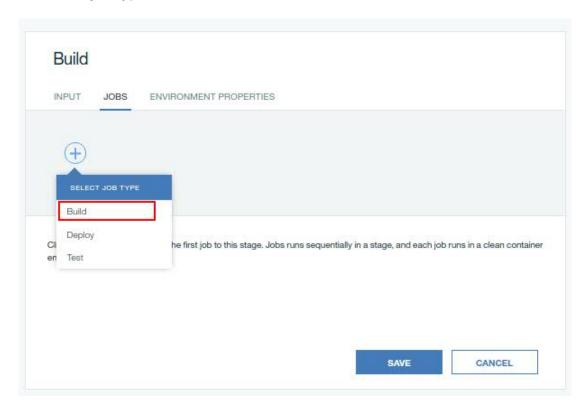
- 4.2. Create Build stage
 - 4.2.1. Click on Add Stage
 - 4.2.2. Name your stage as Build and make sure it is configured to use the appropriate Git Repository and Branch







4.2.3. Click on *JOBS* tab. In this tab, click on *ADD JOB* and then on *Build* for the job type

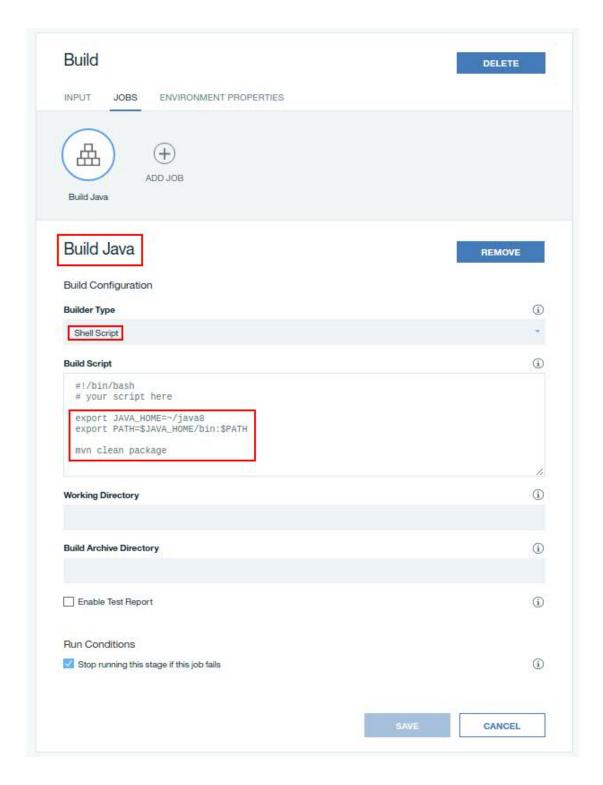


4.2.4. Name your job appropriately, select *Shell Script* for the *Builder Type* and add the following code to the out of the box *Build Script* provided

export JAVA_HOME=~/java8 export PATH=\$JAVA_HOME/bin:\$PATH mvn clean package

FYI: export directives are needed since the default java version in the Delivery Pipelines tool is 1.7

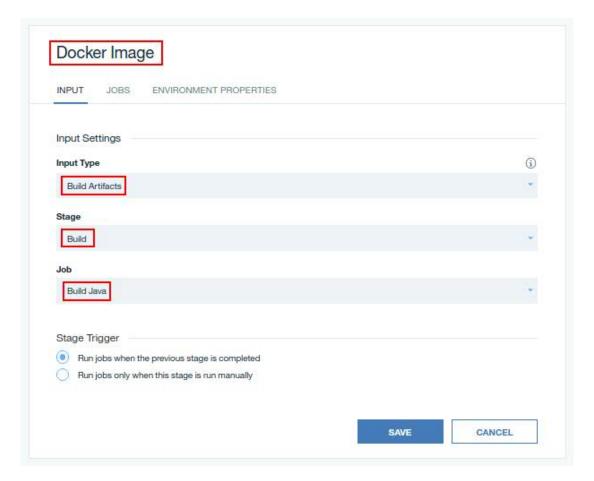




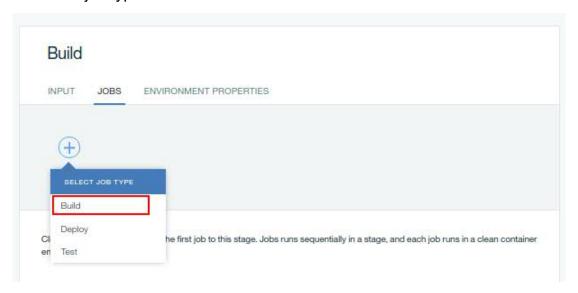
4.2.5. Click on Save



- 4.3. Create Docker Image stage
 - 4.3.1. Click on Add Stage
 - 4.3.2. Name your stage as Docker Image and make sure to configure the input of this stage to be the output of the previous Build stage

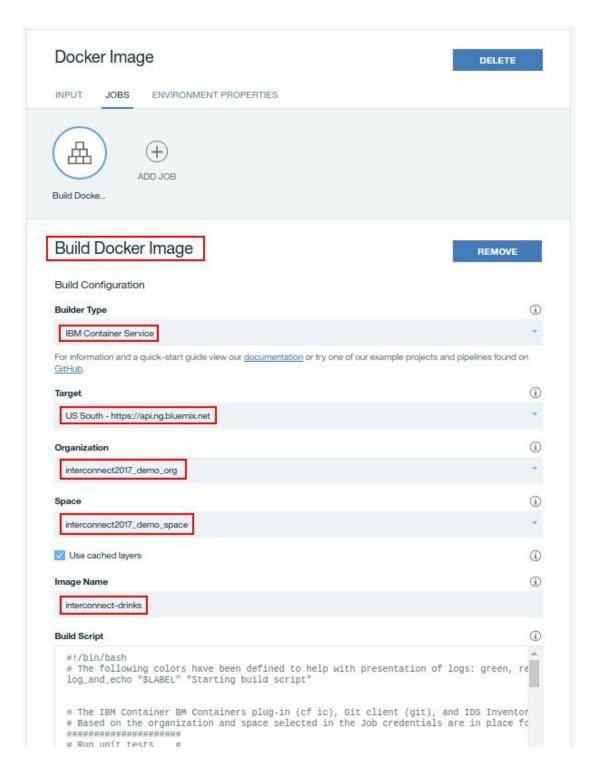


4.3.3. Click on *JOBS* tab. In this tab, click on *ADD JOB* and then on *Build* for the job type





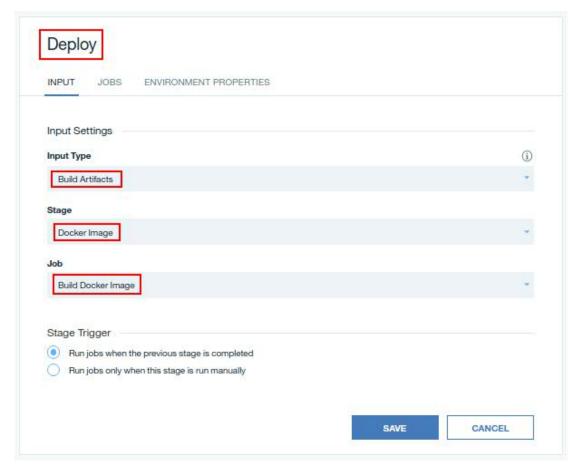
4.3.4. Name your job appropriately, select *IBM Container Service* as the *Builder Type*, select appropriate options for *Target, Organization and Space* fields and provide an appropriate image name. **Leave the out of the box** *Build Script* **as it is**



4.3.5. Click on Save



- 4.4. Create Deploy stage
 - 4.4.1. Click on Add Stage
 - 4.4.2. Name your stage as *Deploy* and make sure to configure the input for this stage to be the output of the previous *Docker Image* stage

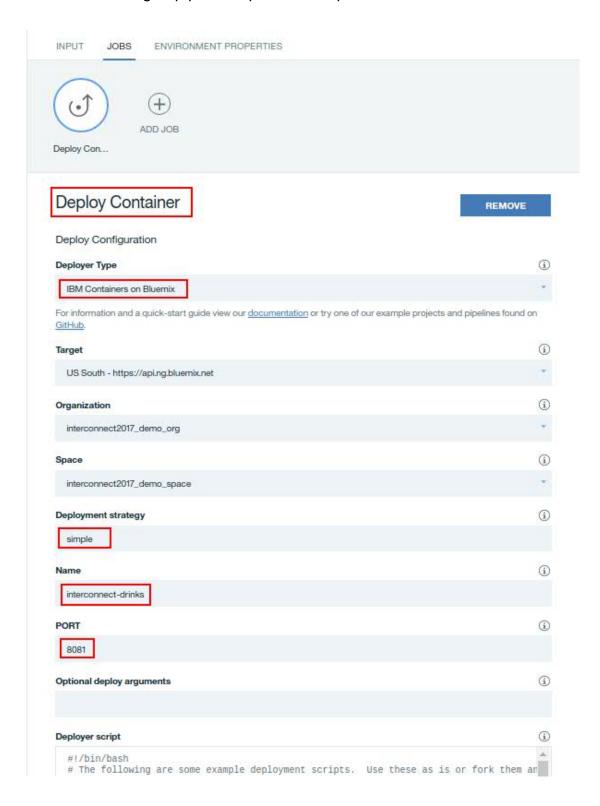


4.4.3. Click on *JOBS* tab. In this tab, click on *ADD JOB* and then on *Deploy* for the job type



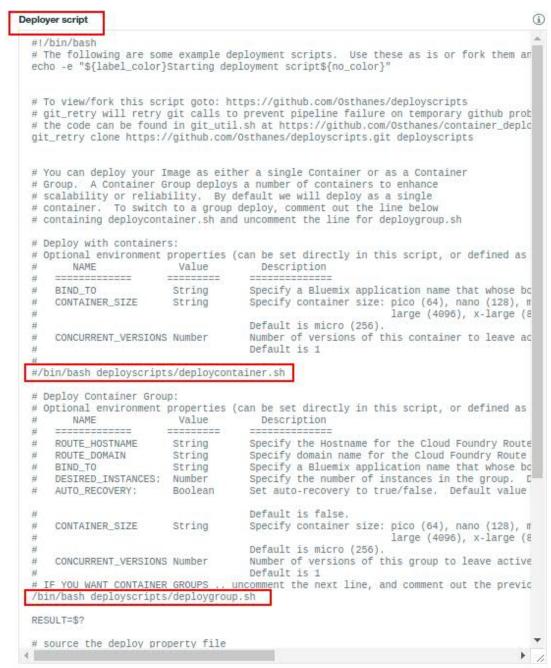


4.4.4. Name your job appropriately, select *IBM Containers on Bluemix* as the *Deployer Type*, set your *Bluemix Target*, *Organization and Space*, use *simple* as the *Deployment strategy* and introduce a name for your container group plus the port it will expose.



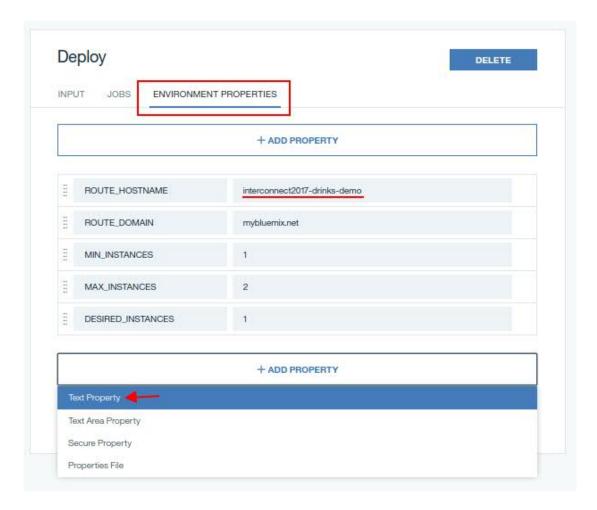


In order to get our Docker image deployed as a container group (as we have already done in this lab) we need to **comment** the line in the Deployer script that comes out of the box which deploys the image as a single container and **uncomment** the line to get it deployed as a container group



4.4.5. We need to pass similar arguments as the ones used in the command line to the *Deployer*. Hence, click on the *ENVIRONMENT PROPERTIES* tab and add as many properties as the following picture displays by clicking on *ADD PROPERTY* and selecting **Text property**





IMPORTANT: We could create the container groups without creating a public route to them by not specifying the ROUTE_HOSTNAME and ROUTE_DOMAIN variables since we cloud communicate with them through their container group's load balancer IP addresses. However, we would need to redeploy the menu container group any time we deploy a new version of either food, drinks or both since their load balancers IP addresses would change too. Moreover, Active Deploy only works with container groups with a public route attached to them. Therefore, and despite the security drop attaching a public route to a container group implies, the menu app will use the drinks and food public routes for communication. Bear in mind that your ROUTE_HOSTNAME value must be unique within the Bluemix region you are deploying your applications to.

4.4.6. Click on Save

- 4.5. Repeat steps 4.1. to 4.4. for the drinks and food Java apps.
- 4.6. Repeat steps 4.1. to 4.4.3 for the menu Java app
- 4.7. We need a slightly different step 4.4.4. for the menu Java app since we need to pass the food and drinks public routes attached to their container groups to the menu app as environment variables like we have done before in this lab. Hence, add the following parameters in the *Optional deploy arguments* text field



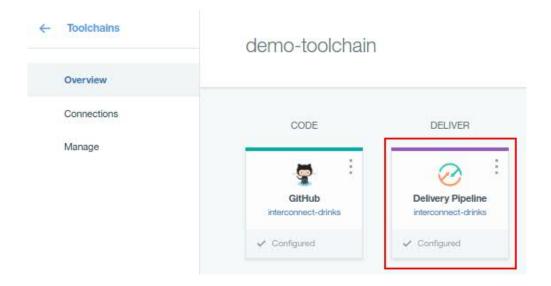
--env DRINKS_URL="{your_specified_route_in_drinks_deploy_stage}" -env FOOD_URL="{ your_specified_route_in_food_deploy_stage }"



- 4.8. Repeat steps 4.4.5 and 4.4.6 for the menu app
- 5. **Execute** your delivery pipelines

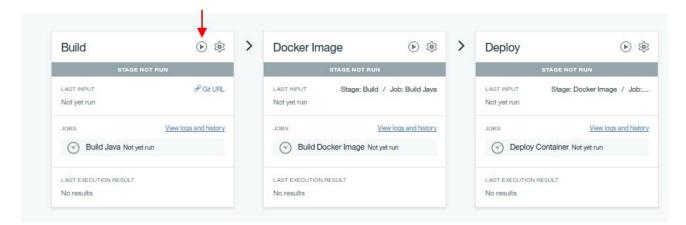
This will get your three java microservices built, dockerized and/or containerized and deployed as container groups in *IBM Bluemix public cloud* from their Docker images in just one click!

5.1. Click on the food or drinks delivery pipeline icon in the Toolchain dashboard

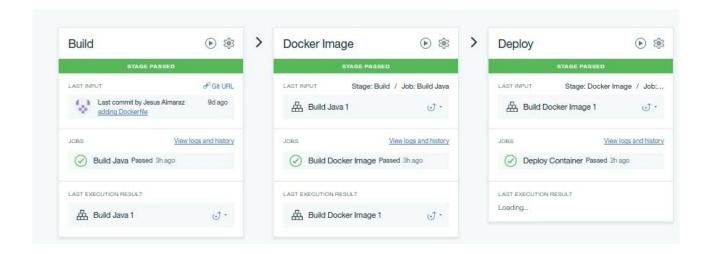




- 5.2. Click on the play button on the top right corner of the Build stage, the first stage.
- ← Toolchain interconnect-drinks | Delivery Pipeline



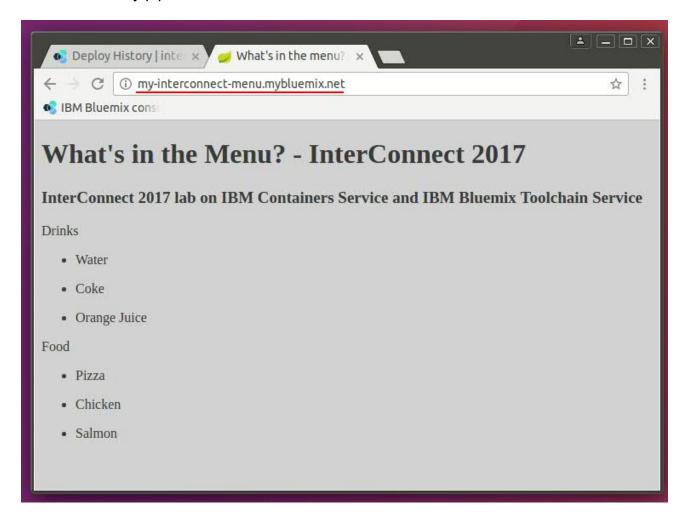
- * This will trigger the build process of your application and will then trigger the next stage and so on.
- ** Refresh the web page in order to see the progress along the pipeline
- 5.3. After the delivery pipeline has finished, you should see the three stages in green
- ← Toolchain interconnect-drinks | Delivery Pipeline



5.4. Repeat the process for the food and menu delivery pipelines. Menu pipeline must be executed the last one since it needs other two container groups' load balancer's IP address.



5.5. Check the application has been properly built, containerized and deployed onto the IBM Bluemix public cloud by pointing your web browser to the ROUTE_HOSTNAME+ROUTE_DOMAIN values you specified in the menu delivery pipeline





IBM Bluemix Active Deploy Service

You can deploy a new version of your running apps or container groups with no downtime. <u>IBM Bluemix Active Deploy Service</u> uses a phased approach to deployments, giving you time to test and validate your updated app in a production environment.

With the Active Deploy service, you can deploy a new version of your app or container group by using a continual process, such that the new version is finalized only when it proves to work properly in production. In a nutshell, you have these options:

- Manage the rollout of changes in an automated and controlled fashion.
- Roll back your changes if needed.
- Have two versions be "live" at one time, each one with specific amounts of routed traffic.



Follow next steps in order to get Active Deploy integrated in your delivering pipelines so that you have an agile, continuous and zero-downtime deployment of your applications.

While this should be done for the three Java applications, we are going to make the following changes **only to the menu delivery pipeline** since that is enough to see how to integrate Active Deploy with Delivery Pipelines as well as the zero downtime deployment.

- 1. Modify the actual *Deploy Container job* within the *Deploy stage* to integrate with Active Deploy
 - 1.1. Add the following line just before the container group creation script kicks off so that the container group is created without a route for now

export IGNORE_MAPPING_ROUTE=1

```
# CONCURRENT_VERSIONS Number Number of versions of this group to leave active Default is 1
# IF YOU WANT CONTAINER GROUPS .. uncomment the next line, and comment out the previc export IGNORE_MAPPING_ROUTE=1

/bin/bash deployscripts/deploygroup.sh

RESULT=$?

# source the deploy property file
```

1.2. Add the following line at the end of the *Deployer Script* text field

export NAME="\${CONTAINER_NAME}_\${BUILD_NUMBER}"

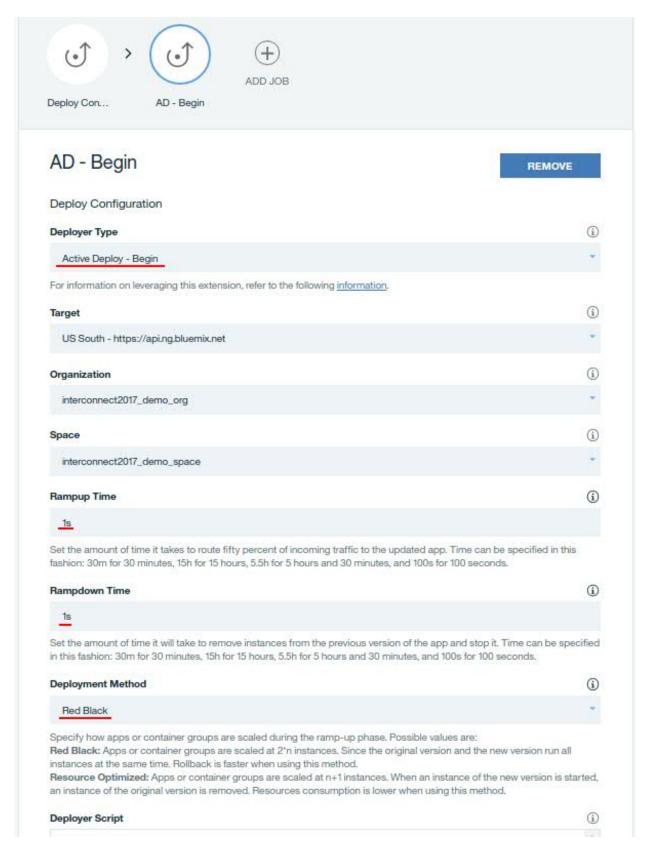
```
# The environment has been setup.
# The Cloud Foundry CLI (cf), IBM Container Service CLI (ice), Git client (git), IDS
# Based on the organization and space selected in the Job credentials are in place fc

# The following colors have been defined to help with presentation of logs: green, re
if [ $RESULT -ne 0 ]; then
    echo -e "${red}Executed failed or had warnings ${no_color}"
    ${EXT_DIR}/print_help.sh
    exit $RESULT
fi
echo -e "${green}Execution complete${no_label}"

export NAME="${CONTAINER_NAME}_${BUILD_NUMBER}"
```



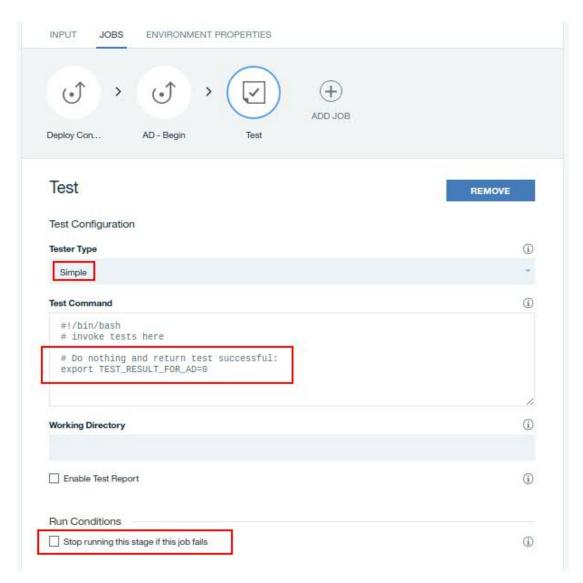
1.3. Create a new Deploy job, give it an appropriate name, select Active Deploy – Begin as the Deployer type and configure it like the picture below shows





The *Active Deploy – Begin* job will create a new container group and route traffic to it.

1.4. Create a new Test job, name it appropriately and configure it as the picture below shows

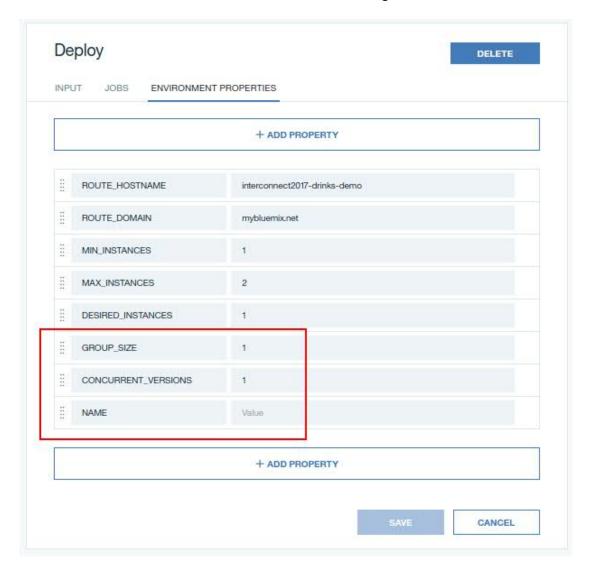


The directive in the *Test Command* field serves to perform any test now that we have both new and old app versions running and receiving traffic. Since we do not want to perform any test, we add the directive you see in the picture to return always success.

IMPORTANT: Clear the *Stop running this stage if this job fails* check box for all test jobs to allow the *Active Deploy - Complete* job to run. The *Active Deploy - Complete* job must run to be able to roll back the deployment in case tests fail, or decrease the instances of the original version of the app if tests succeed.



- 1.5. Create a new Deploy job, give it an appropriate name, select Active Deploy Complete as the Deployer type and leave the rest as it is.
- 1.6. Go into the environment tab and add the following ones



where *GROUP_SIZE* is the size of the new container group created by Active Deploy, the *CONCURRENT_VERSIONS* the number of concurrent versions Active Deploy will keep active and deployed and *NAME* the name of the container group.

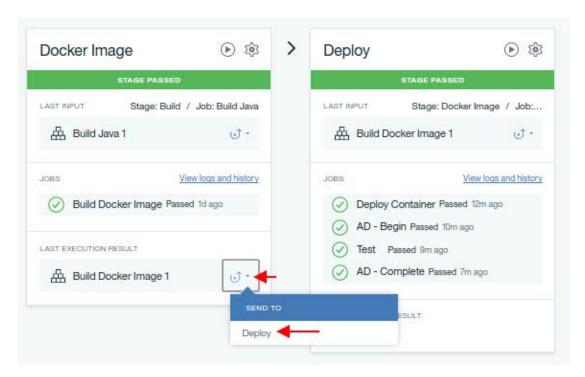
We are setting the concurrent versions to be only one so that we see how the menu changes when we deploy a new version of it.

We leave the *NAME* value empty since it will get a value with the export directive added to the *deploy container* stage in previous step.

1.7. Click on Save



- 2. Execute the deploy stage so that new jobs get done and a new version of the menu app is deployed.
 - 2.1. Since there has not been any change in the code but in the deployment process, we can skip the *Build* and *Docker Image* stages and directly send the current output artifact of the *Docker Image* stage to the *Deploy* stage



2.2. After the Deploy stage has finished, we should see the three new jobs within the stage in green (see picture above). Moreover, if we list the container groups on the CLI we will see new versions of the container groups

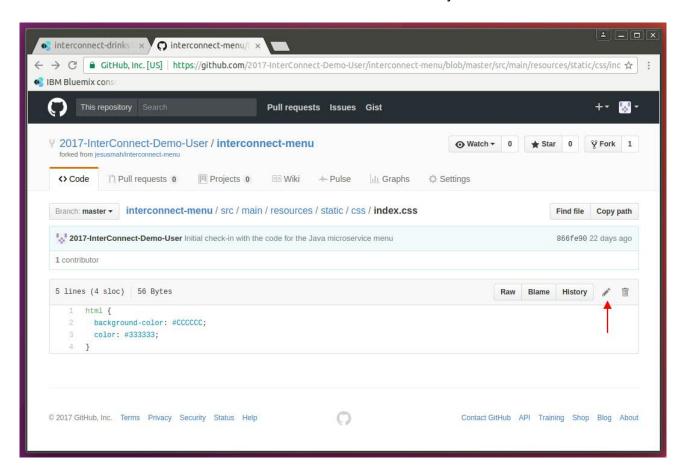


- 3. End to end CI/CD example
 - 3.1. Open in your browser the following file belonging to the menu project and living in your GitHub repo

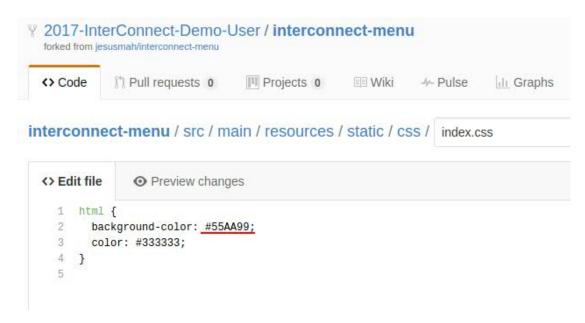
https://github.com/{your_github_username}/interconnect-menu/blob/master/src/main/resources/static/css/index.css

3.2. Click on the pencil to edit the file



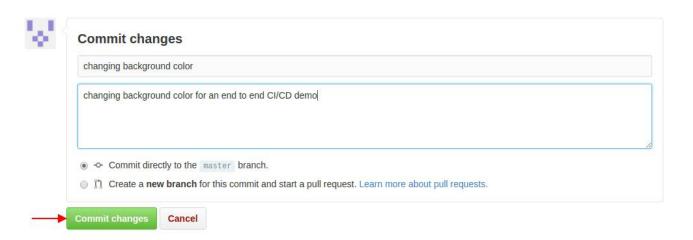


3.3. Change the background color to something different



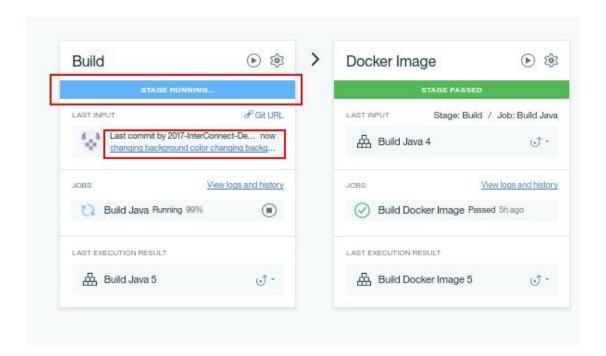


3.4. Scroll to the bottom of the page, include some comments about the change and commit the changes



3.5. Right after you commit the changes, your delivery pipeline should automatically get triggered

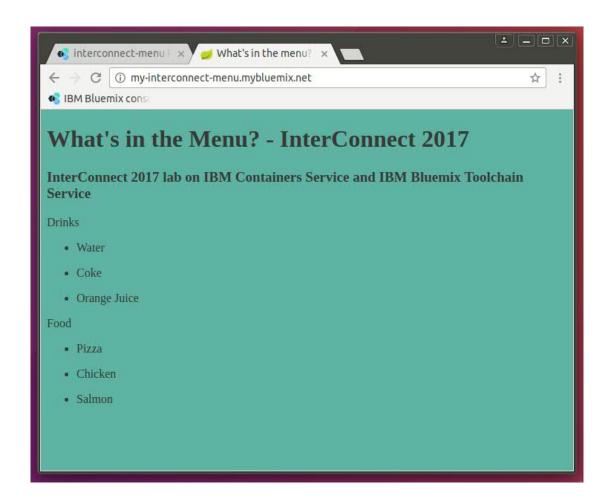




3.6. Open your browser and point it to the public route your defined for the menu app



- 3.7. Refresh your browser every now and then until the delivery pipeline has successfully finish so that you verify new changes have been made with zerodowntime. That is, every time you refresh the browser the application is working.
- 3.8. Once the delivery pipeline has successfully finished, the background of your menu app should have changed on a disruptive manner





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