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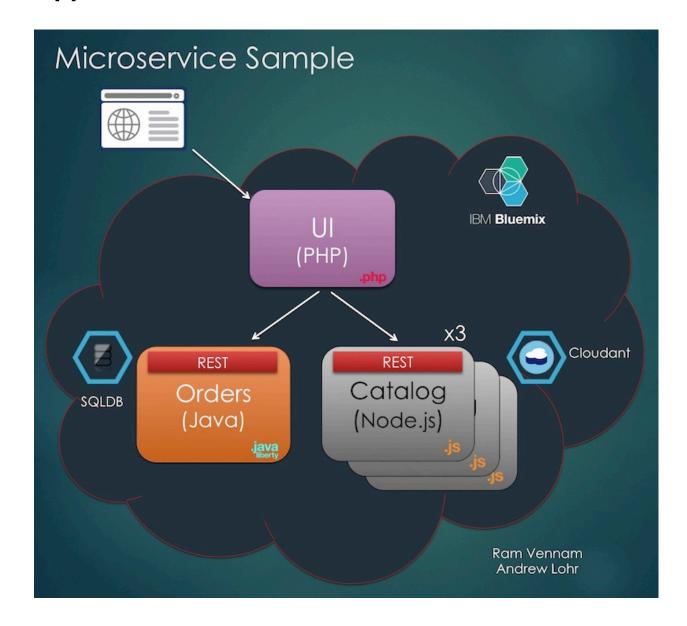
Introduction

Microservices have been gaining increasing traction as a way to deliver applications, especially in a cloud based environment. They offer the ability to break down a complex system into smaller independent pieces that can be developed and deployed on their own, typically without impacting the overall stability of the application and in a continuous fashion. They can be written in almost any language and can be developed/maintained by a single team with deep knowledge of the whole service.

To be successful with microservices you need the right people, culture, processes and tools. You need an environment where continuous integration, continuous deployment and DevOps are practiced.

This lab will use a simple microservice based application to highlight how tools in a DevOps toolchain can help you effectively develop, test and deploy your microservices in a quick, repeatable and automated fashion. Such a toolchain will provide you with the high degree of confidence necessary to allow frequent deployments of your changes to your production environments.

Application Overview



In this lab, you'll be working with a very simple e-commerce application composed of three microservices. One of the major strengths of microservices is the ability to choose which language/runtime you want to use for each application allowing you to pick the language/runtime best suited to the function of each microservice. Each of the microservices in this lab is written in a different language, JavaScript (Node.js), Java, and PHP, and the DevOps tools will be used to bring the three microservices together in Bluemix to run as one logical application.

Application 1 – Catalog API

The catalog API is implemented in Node.js and uses a Cloudant database. Node.js is a great fit for the Catalog API due to its' non-blocking, event driven I/O and it's ability to handle a high number of requests. Node.js also has an extensive set of modules available to help speed development and streamline the integration with NoSQL databases such as Cloudant.

Application 2 – Orders API

The orders API microservice is a more transactional system in nature. Java (JAX-RS) and a relational SQL database were chosen for the Orders API as they are well suited to this type of application.

Application 3 - Ul

The UI for the application was written in PHP as it allows for the easy creation of User Interfaces and quick access to web resources.

Getting Started

Sign up for Bluemix and DevOps Services

Before you can get started, you'll require a valid ID for Bluemix and DevOps Services. Don't worry you can try them both for free! If you don't have an existing ID, sign up for one by following the steps below:

- 1. Navigate to https://console.ng.bluemix.net/registration/ and sign up.
- 2. As part of the Bluemix registration process, you will receive an e-mail asking you to confirm your account. If you do not confirm, you are not registered. If you do not receive a confirmation e-mail, send a note to id@bluemix.net.
- 3. Navigate to https://hub.jazz.net and click LOG IN in the top right corner.
- 4. After being automatically signed into DevOps Services you will be asked for an Alias. This will be the username for your account.

Starter Project

To make things a little bit easier (especially for those using a paper copy of the lab instructions) there is a starter project on Github containing links to all the materials you'll need to use during this lab. There's even a copy of these lab instructions posted there if you prefer to use an electronic copy.

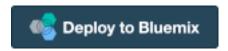
The starter project is located at: https://github.com/melickm/Lab4084

Deploy

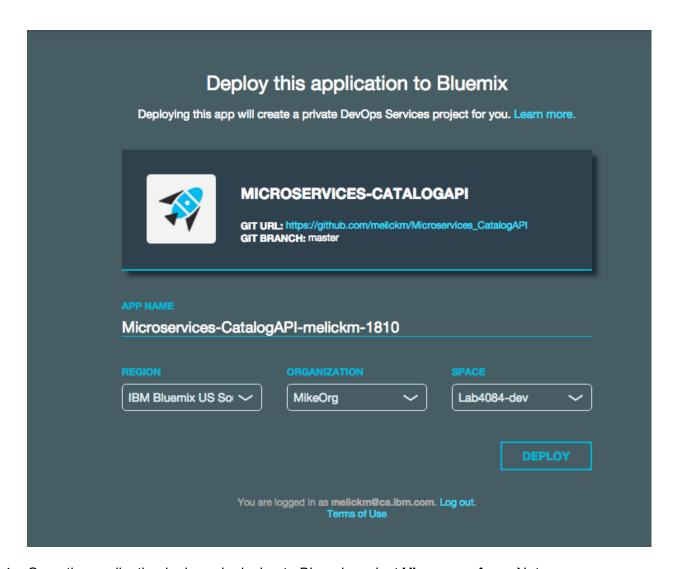
First Deployment – Catalog (D2BM)

Now that you've got IDs for Bluemix and DevOps Services, you can start to deploy your microservices. For the Catalog API you'll be using the **Deploy to Bluemix** button. Clicking on the deploy button will create a DevOps project, clone a GitHub repository, create a delivery pipeline, deploy and run your application in Bluemix. All in a single click! That one button click sure does a lot of work for you.

1. Click on the **Deploy to Bluemix** button below, or use the first one in the starter project at: https://github.com/melickm/Lab4084



- 2. If you aren't already logged in, click on the **LOG IN** button.
- 3. All the fields on the page will be pre filled for you. Select **Deploy**



- 4. Once the application is done deploying to Bluemix, select **View your App**. Note: you will need the route for the UI application, so we suggest you keep the tab with your app running open.
- 5. You can run a quick test to see if the app is working by following the instructions on the homepage. Note: the format will be in JSON which will be consumed by the UI application once it's running.
 - For example: http://microservices-catalogapi-melickm-1810.mybluemix.net/items returns a web page that starts with the JSON below

```
"total_rows": 8,
"offset": 0,
"rows": [
{
    "id": "010bf87eea2853a14d13c8aa2d52305b",
    "key": "010bf87eea2853a14d13c8aa2d52305b",
    "value": {
        "rev": "1-ee1268c3b44a8329c60af2d28b932903"
```

```
},
   "doc": {
        "_id": "010bf87eea2853a14d13c8aa2d52305b",
        "_rev": "1-ee1268c3b44a8329c60af2d28b932903",
        "name": "Ping pong balls",
        "color": "white",
        "quantity": 97,
        "description": "3 star ping pong balls, regulation size.",
        "usaDollarPrice": 12,
        "imgsrc":
"http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/f/fd/Tischtennisball-weiss-004.jpg"
     }
},
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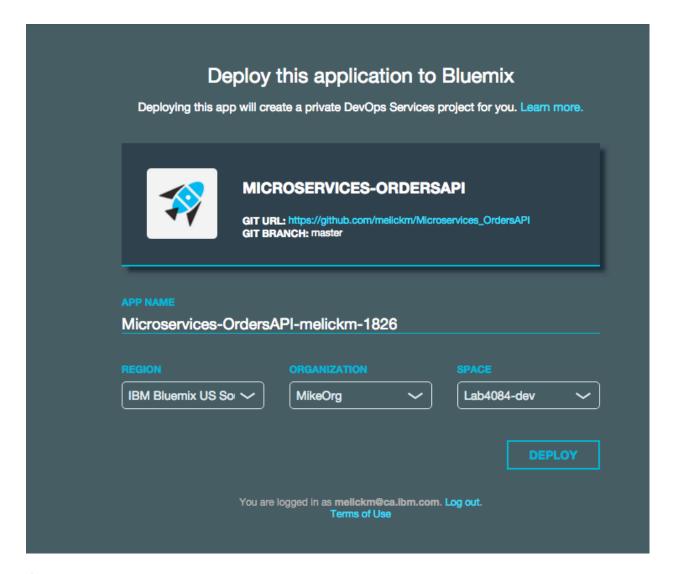
Second Deployment – Orders (D2BM)

Once again, you'll use the **Deploy to Bluemix** button to get your second microservice running. Don't worry, it'll be as easy as the first!

1. Click on the **Deploy to Bluemix** button below, or use the second one in the starter project at: https://github.com/melickm/Lab4084



2. All the fields on the page will be pre filled for you. Select **Deploy**



3. Once the application is done deploying to Bluemix, select View your App.

Note: As the steps in the deploy to Bluemix UI complete, they become links to the project, repository, build & deploy pipeline, and deployed application running in Bluemix.

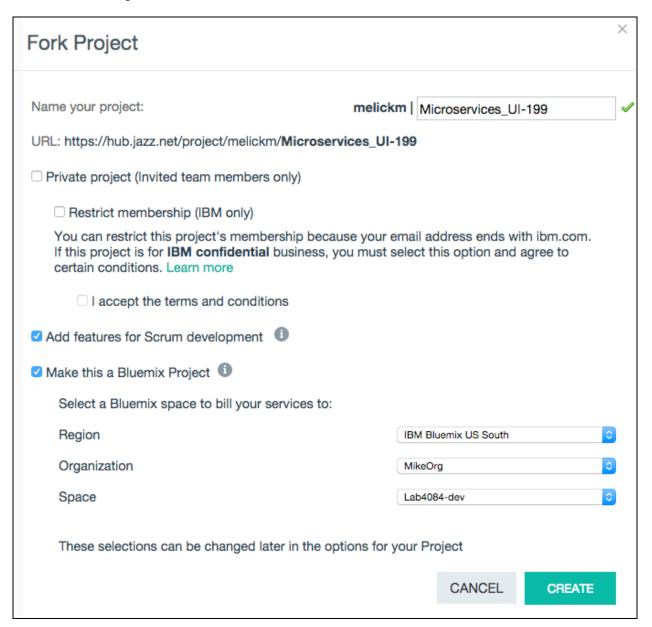
Third Deployment – UI (Manual Deployment)

Now that you've got the first two microservices running using the **Deploy to Bluemix** button, you'll do things a little bit differently for the third. This time you'll fork an existing project in DevOps Services to pull the code into a DevOps Services Git repository.

1. Navigate to the UI project's overview page by clicking on the link below or by using the link in the starter project at: https://github.com/melickm/Lab4084

https://hub.jazz.net/project/melickm/Microservices_UI/overview

- 2. Click Fork Project on the right side of the page
- 3. Enter your project's name, **Microservices_UI**. Make sure that the boxes **Add features for Scrum development** and **Make this a Bluemix Project** are checked.
- 4. For the region confirm **IBM Bluemix US South** is selected.



5. Click CREATE

Now you have a copy of the Microservices UI code in your own project. You can edit it and run it as you see fit. And.... in the next sections, you'll do just that.

Edit Code

Deploy Code via Web IDE

To deploy an application means to bundle the project artifacts, create an app at Bluemix, transfer the bundled app to Bluemix, and start the app. Bluemix application names and URLs are created using properties, which are often defined in the manifest.yml file in a project. The "Microservices UI" project already has the manifest created for you.

- 1. Click **Edit Code** in the upper-right corner of your new project to open the Web IDE.
- 2. In the left navigation pane of the Web IDE, select **manifest.yml**. This file will allow you to control how your application gets pushed to Bluemix. For example you can change the name of the app that appears in Bluemix by editing your **manifest.yml**.



Note: When you deploy through the Web IDE, you are deploying the changes that are in your Web IDE's workspace. For example, you may have changes you are currently working on that you have not yet pushed to your project's repository. Those changes will be deployed.

4. Once the application is done deploying, you can click on the Open URL button (□) button to see it live. As both of the API services were previously deployed, the entire application should now be running, and you should see the simple catalog provided by the application.

Web IDE

While deploying from here was pretty easy, there is a lot more that the Web IDE has to offer. When you clicked on Edit Code, you were brought to a fully functional IDE (Integrated Development Environment) running within your browser. Content assist, code completion, syntax highlighting, error checking, built in source control and support of nearly any language. All of this available without leaving your browser!

For the purposes of the lab, let's make a simple change to the UI to customize the application.

- 1. In the left pane of the Web IDE, select index.php.
- 2. Locate the row (line 3) \$title = "Microservices Sample";
- 3. Replace Microservices Sample With your name Microservices Application
- 4. Click File> Save.
- 5. Click the Deploy button (▶).
- 6. If prompted to stop and redeploy your application, click OK.
- 7. After your application is deployed, click on the Open URL button () in the top gray bar.

Notice the change of the title at the top of the application. It's good that you are finally getting some recognition for all that hard work!

Although this was a pretty simple change to your application, you were able to make the change and deploy a running instance of it with only a few button clicks in your browser.

Build And Deploy

So far you've got your two backend projects building and deploying to a development environment thanks to the **Deploy to Bluemix** buttons you used earlier, but the UI has only been deployed from the Web IDE. Although that's a great way to develop and test your code iteratively, you probably don't want to be responsible for manually pushing the code from your IDE every time you or your teammate makes a change. This section of the lab will help you set up a deployment pipelines to do this for you automatically.

Auto Deploy to Development

Add a Build Stage:

- Click on the Build & Deploy button to navigate to the build and deploy page for the UI project.
- 2. Create a Build stage by clicking on the **+ ADD STAGE** button.
- 3. Change the name from MyStage to Build
- 4. Ensure the following defaults are selected:
 - a. Input Type = SCM Repository
 - b. Git URL points to your UI repository
 - c. Branch = master
 - d. As you'd like the build to be automatically triggered, ensure the **Run jobs whenever a change is pushed to Git** radio button is selected.
- 5. Next click on the **JOBS** tab to go to the jobs page where you'll add a build job
- 6. Click on ADD JOB and select Build.
- 7. Click on the **Builder Type** to see the different types of builds that can be run. For this demo, a **Simple** build will be enough.

8. Click SAVE.

Now every time a change is pushed to the Master branch in your Git repository, the build stage will be triggered to grab the change and make the build available to later stages in the pipeline.

Add a Deploy Stage:

- 1. Add a Deploy stage by clicking on the **+ ADD STAGE** button.
- 2. Change the name from MyStage to Deploy.
- 3. The input settings should be defaulted to pick up the build from the **Build** stage you setup previously. Confirm:
 - a. Input Type is Build Artifacts
 - b. Stage is Build
 - c. Job is Build.
- 4. As this build should be auto deployed to the dev environment, leave the **State Trigger** to **Run jobs when the previous stage is complete**.
- 5. Next, click on the **JOBS** tab to go to the jobs page where you'll add a Deploy job.
- 6. Click on ADD JOB and select Deploy.
- 7. By default the job will be configured as a Cloud Foundry deployment targeting Bluemix's US South pod, under your current organization and the dev space. You shouldn't need to change any of the values from the default provided.
- 8. Click **SAVE** on this stage.

You've now got a simple pipeline that will automatically take a change committed to your Git repository and deploy it as a running app in Bluemix. No more manual pushes necessary!

Commit a change:

Now that you've got your pipeline all setup, let's go back and commit the change to customize your application.

- 1. Click the **EDIT CODE** button to go back to the Web IDE where you previously changed the title of the application.
- 2. On the left hand navigation click on the Git repository button ()
- 3. In the box in the **Working Directory Changes** section, type a comment similar to the one below indicating what you've changed: Customized the title
- 4. Select each of the changes in the Changed Files section and click the **Commit** button.
- 5. In the **Outgoing** section, click **Push** to push your changes to the master branch.
- 6. Click on the **BUILD & DEPLOY** button to get back to your pipeline and watch your committed change be deployed to you dev space.

Your changes have now been committed to your repository and are available to others. Additionally the pipeline automatically picked up these changes and deployed them to Bluemix.

Click on the link in the **LAST EXECUTION RESULT** section of the Deploy stage to see the application running with your customizations

Manually Deploy to Production

As shown in the previous section, you can configure a multi-stage build and deployment pipeline to support your DevOps approach to software development. In this section, you will extend the pipeline for the Catalog API application to include a deployment to your production (prod) space.

Note: You'll only deploy the Catalog API application during this lab. In order for the application to be completely deployed to a production environment, you would have to perform a similar addition of a production deployment step in the other two micro services.

Create a production space:

- Navigate to the Bluemix dashboard if you are not there already by clicking DASH-BOARD in the top menu.
- 2. Expand the **ORG**: dropdown menu if it isn't already.
- 3. Click Create a Space in the left menu.
- 4. In the Create a Space dialog, input prod as your space name and click CREATE.

You've now got a distinct space for your application to deploy into. Using a separate space for your production (prod) instance will allow you to create two distinct copies of your application so that you can work with them independently.

Create a production deployment stage:

- Navigate back to the Catalog API pipeline. Hint: If you don't have a link handy, you can go to https://hub.jazz.net, find the project in the list of **My Projects** and click on the pipeline icon (
- You could create the production stage from scratch as you did for the development stage, but since they are similar let's clone the **Dev Deploy** stage instead. Click on the configuration icon for the **Dev Deploy** stage and select **Clone Stage**.
- 3. Change the name of the stage to Prod Deploy Stage.
- 4. Production uses the same builds as the development environment, but they are selectively pushed there after the quality has been confirmed.
 - a. Leave the **Input Type**, **Stage** and **Job** to reflect the builds coming from the Build stage.
 - b. Change the **Stage Trigger** to **Run jobs only when this stage is run manually** to allow for selective deployment to production.
- 5. Switch to the **JOBS** tab to configure the deployment job.
- 6. As the deploy job was copied from the dev deployment, it needs to be updated for the production deployment.
- 7. Change the space to prod.
- 8. Ensure the application name is unique within your Bluemix prod space
- 9. By default, the deployer will use the instructions in the manifest. Rather than deploying to a url with a random string of characters, we want this to be a consistent place where your end users will be able to access your app. In the Script section, after

```
cf push "${CF APP}"
```

add -n whateveryouwantyoururltobe. Note: the hostname needs to be unique across all Bluemix apps, so be creative.

For example: cf push "\${CF_APP_NAME}" -n whateveryouwantyoururltobe

10. Click SAVE.

11. Assuming you're happy with the build you deployed to development, click on the play button () on the **Prod Deploy Stage** to deploy the build to production. Note: you can also drag and drop a build from a previous stage to deploy it.

When the stage finishes, you'll have a second instance of your Catalog API microservice running within the newly created **prod** space. This will allow you to do frequent changes to your application and have them automatically deployed to your development environment. When you're comfortable with the quality of those changes you can deploy them out to your production environment for your users.

Manage Work

Tracking & Planning

As teams grow, and projects become larger and more complex, the need for transparency about the work being done, and planning to ensure the important work is being done first become increasingly important. No longer can you keep the entire plan on a scrap of paper on your desk!

In this section you'll use the Track and plan functionality to create a very simple backlog of improvements and show how changes in the source can be linked to the work items they support.

Add track and plan to the Catalog API project:

- Open the Catalog API project you created previously by navigating to DevOps Services, signing in if you're not already authenticated and clickon on your project on the My Projects page.
- 2. Click the gear button () in the upper right corner to open the Project Settings page.
- 3. Click **OPTIONS**.
- 4. On the page that loads, select the **Enable Track & Plan** checkbox (if it is not already enabled) and click **SAVE**.
- 5. Click **TRACK & PLAN** in the upper right corner. The Track & Plan section is your place to organize your ideas.

Create a work item in your backlog:

- 1. On the left pane, click Backlog.
- 2. On the right pane, type the following in the Create a work item... field: As a developer, I want to add automated unit tests in my pipeline to prevent the deployment of poor quality code.
- 3. In the icon bar below, click the **Owned By** icon and select your username.

- 4. The tool will automatically detect the work item type is story and set the type for you.
- 5. Click Create.
- 6. Repeat steps 2-5 to create a second work item with the following: As a developer, I want to add automated UI tests in my pipeline to prevent the deployment of poor quality code.

Plan your work:

Even though there are only two work items, let's setup a rank-ordered backlog to ensure the most important work items are getting done first. The rank-ordered backlog is a natural fit for a continuous integration and deployment configuration like the one being used in this lab. It provides developers with a clear picture of the next most important work item, and allows leads and managers to easily establish this priority across all work items. As items are completed, they can be dropped into the pipeline and deployed, tested along the way, and even deployed directly to production.

- 1. To begin with the work items will be unranked. Drag the "..automated UI tests..." work item to the top of the list to give it a ranking. Alternatively you can click on the **RANK** icon () and assign the number 1.
- 2. Next, drag the "...automated unit tests" item above the "...automated UI tests..." work item to make it the #1 ranked work item. The unit tests for the Catalog API have been deemed to be a higher priority than the UI tests.

Track your work:

- 1. Still in the backlog view, click on the **Status: New** icon () for the "...automated unit tests..." story.
- 2. In the Status dialog, click **Start Working.** This will change the status to **In Progress** and let your teammates know you've started working on the item.

Now that you've accepted the work you'll add the unit tests in the next section.

Test

Simple Unit Test

Unit tests are a first line of defense against bugs. A good set of unit tests will let you refactor fearlessly, squash bugs without introducing new ones, and produce better code. Adding these unit tests to your build pipeline and automatically running them against every commit can provide you the confidence necessary to allow your build to be deployed to a development, test or even a production environment.

In this exercise, you'll add a set of existing mocha tests into the build pipeline and trigger them to run on each commit.

Add unit tests to the build:

- 1. Click on the **Build & Deploy** button to get to the Catalog API's build & deploy pipeline.
- 2. The unit tests will run right after the build, and will be used to prevent a bad build from being deployed to the Dev stage. Click on the configure icon ((**)) for the Build Stage and select **Configure Stage**.
- 3. On the JOBS tab click ADD JOB and select Test.
- Select Simple for the Tester Type, as the mocha tests will be run using a script.
- 5. In the **Test Command** box insert the snippet below:

```
#!/bin/bash
npm install

XUNIT_FILE=tests/TEST-items.xml node_modules/mocha/bin/mocha -R spec-
xunit-file tests/server/items.spec.js
```

- 6. The above script will run the mocha tests in the items.spec.js and create an xunit formatted result file named TEST-items.xml.
- 7. Ensure **Enable Test Report** is checked and the **Test Result File Pattern** contains a pattern that will match the result file from the tests. For example, the default patter of: tests/TEST-*.xml.

- 8. The unit tests are a gating factor to deploying the build. If the unit tests don't run green, the Build Stage should be stopped so the build will not be deployed. Ensure **Stop running this stage if this job fails** is checked.
- 9. Click SAVE.

Try the unit tests:

- 1. Now that unit tests have been added to the Catalog API, let's run them.
- 2. On the **Build Stage** click the play button () to start the stage.
- 3. Click on the **Test** job to see the unit tests run.
- 4. If you get there quick enough, you'll see the execution of the tests as they progress. If not, the results will be available at the bottom of the Logs.
- 5. Once the job has finished, the **Test** job will be shown as failed. As the job was setup to stop the stage upon failure, the build was not passed onto the Deploy Stage. The failed tests have prevented the potentially bad build from reaching your development environment and more importantly your customers.
- 6. To figure out why the tests failed, click on the **Test** job in the **Build** stage if you aren't there already.
- 7. In the **LOGS** tab, go to the bottom of the job output. Note: you can click the scroll to the bottom icon () to quickly get to the bottom of the log.
- 8. Looking at the bottom of the log, you'll see a suspicious test, which is failing.
- 9. An easier way to determine which test(s) failed is to click on the **TESTS** tab above the log output.
- 10. On the screen you can see the pass fail rate, and drill down into the results of the tests by clicking on the **Mocha Tests** link. If you click on the details icon () for the failed test, you'll see the cause of the problem.

At this point you could open a new work item for the defect, but to keep things simple, let's continue to use the "...automated unit tests..." story to fix the bug.

Fix the bug in the tests:

- 1. Click on the **EDIT CODE** button to bring up the Web IDE.
- 2. Open the mocha test file tests/server/items.spec.js from the File Browser on the left.
- 3. Remove the faulty test which is located near the bottom of the file.

```
describe('superfluous testing', function() {
    it('This test looks suspicious', function() {
        assert.equal(1, -1);
    });
```

- 4. **Save** the changes.
- 5. On the left hand navigation click on the Git repository button ()
- 6. In the box in the **Working Directory Changes** section, type a comment similar to the following, being sure to replace xxx with the work item ID associated with the "...automated unit tests..." story you created: Story xxx: removed unnecessary and broken test.
- 7. Select each change in the **Changed Files** section and click the **COMMIT** button.
- 8. In the **OUTGOING** section, click **PUSH**.
- Click on the BUILD & DEPLOY button to watch the change go through the pipeline. Now that all the unit tests are passing, the build will be automatically deployed to the development environment.

Complete the story:

Now that you've added automated unit tests to the pipeline, you can mark the story as complete so that everyone is aware of this great addition.

- 1. Click on **TRACK & PLAN** in the upper right corner.
- 2. In search field at the top left of the UI, type automated unit tests to search for your work item.
- 3. Select your work item from the list.

- 4. Click on the **LINKS** tab in the work item.
- 5. Notice there is a change set linked to the work item. This was the change you checked in to fix the broken unit tests.
- 6. (Optionally) Click on the link to view your changes in Git.
- 7. Click on the **OVERVIEW** tab to get back to the initial view of the story.
- 8. In the top right corner, change the status of the Story to **Complete**.
- 9. **SAVE** the change.

UI Test

Equally as important to testing your backend code is making sure your User Interface is functioning properly and is well behaved in different browsers and/or mobile devices. For testing the UI you'll be using integration with Sauce Labs which will allow you to easily automate functional testing on multiple operating systems and browsers.

For convenience, feel free to use the Sauce Labs account that we've created for you with **UserName** Lab4084 and the **Access Key** *c61e8e3c-85bb-4dc0-b262-d98768f04af4*. If you'd prefer you can go to https://saucelabs.com and sign up for a trial account, or use your own account if you have one.

Add UI tests to the deploy stage:

- 1. (Optional) Go to the **Track & Plan** page and set the status of the "....automated UI tests..." work item to **In Progress.**
- 2. Click on the MY PROJECTS button.
- 3. Find your UI project, and click on the Build Pipeline icon () to get to the build & deploy page for the UI application.
- 4. Click on the gear button () in the upper right corner of the "Dev Deploy" stage.
- 5. Click on ADD JOB and select the Test job type
- 6. Name the job "UI Tests"

- 7. Select Sauce Labs for the Tester Type
- 8. In the **Username** field enter your Sauce Labs user name
- 9. In the **Access Key** field enter your Sauce Labs access key
- 10. Select Custom... for the Test Execution Command
- 11. In the **Custom Test Execution Command** box insert the snippet below:

```
#!/bin/bash
npm install
grunt test
```

12. Ensure **Enable Test Report** is checked and the **Test Result File Pattern** contains the following pattern:

```
*.xml
```

Now that we have added a test job to the stage we need to modify the stage to pass information from the deploy job to the test job:

- Click the ENVIRONMENT PROPERTIES tab in the upper part of the stage configuration dialog
- 2. Click **ADD PROPERTY** and select **Text Property** for the property type
- 3. Name the property CF APP NAME and leave the value empty
- 4. Click the **JOBS** tab and select the "Deploy" job
- 5. In the **Deploy Script** box add the following line:

```
export CF APP NAME="$CF APP"
```

- 6. The property will now be set during the execution of the deploy job and the value can be used by the test job. The "CF_APP_NAME" property is known to the Sauce Labs job type so there is no need to update the test job.
- 7. Click **SAVE** to save all change made to the stage

Run the UI tests:

- 1. Click the play button () on the "Dev Deploy" stage
- 2. Click on the "UI Tests" job and wait for the test to complete

- 3. Notice how the tests failed and examine the log to find the failing test. The log contains a link to the test execution result in Sauce Labs.
- 4. Another way to determine which test(s) failed is to click on the **TESTS** tab above the log output and expand the failing test result.
- 5. Test data, selenium logs and video recordings of the test run is archived and can be downloaded by clicking the **ARTIFACTS** tab.

The reason the tests failed is because you change the title of the UI application home page to include your name. Let's update the UI tests to reflect that change.

Update the UI tests:

- 1. Click on the **EDIT CODE** button to bring up the Web IDE.
- 2. Open the test file tests/sauce/test-cases.js from the File Browser on the left.
- 3. Adapt the failing test to use the new title;

- 4. **Save** the changes.
- 5. On the left hand navigation click on the Git repository button ()
- 6. Enter a comment in the box in the **Working Directory Changes** section similar to the one below where XXX is the number of your work item. Story XXX: updated the UI tests to reflect customization of the title.
- 7. Select the test script file in the **Changed Files** section and click the **COMMIT** button.
- 8. In the **OUTGOING** section, click **PUSH**.
- 9. Click on the **BUILD & DEPLOY** button to watch the change go through the pipeline. Verify that the UI tests are passing.

Going Further (Optional Exercises)

Bluemix Garage Method

This lab only touches on few of the ideas, processes and tools that can be used to transform your business; there are many more. The Bluemix Garage Method website shares IBM's own experiences as we undergo a transformation to adopt DevOps practices and create a culture of innovation and agility.

Spend a few minutes at the IBM Bluemix Garage Method website:

https://www.ibm.com/devops/method and see what's available. Read an article on microservices, learn about toolchains and how they can be used with Bluemix DevOps Services, find something that piques your interest or just "bookmark" the website for later.

Tool Integrations (Beta)

If you are interested in seeing how additional tools can be integrated into Bluemix DevOps services, I suggest going through the tutorial below.

In the tutorial, you'll use the Deploy to Bluemix button to create a project with a simple pipeline with integrations to Sauce Labs and Slack preconfigured for you. As the build progresses, you'll receive notifications to a slack channel and test jobs will be run using your Sauce Labs account.

Automated integrations with DevOps Services (Beta) tutorial: https://www.ibm.com/devops/method/tutorials/tutorial_automated

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