Building an end-to-end CI/CD pipeline with open source tools

Services and tools

In this section, we discuss the various AWS services and third-party tools used in this solution.

Jenkins → Jenkins is an open source automation server which enables developers around the

world to reliably build, test, and deploy their software

SonarQube → Catches bugs and vulnerabilities in your app, with thousands of automated Static

Code Analysis rules.

Nexus → Manage Binaries and build artifacts across your software supply chain

Git → Git is a free and open source distributed version control system designed to handle

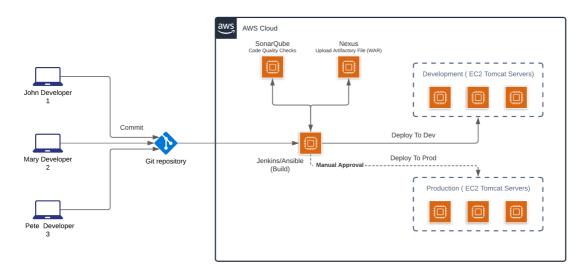
everything from small to very large projects with speed and efficiency

AWS EC2 → Amazon Elastic cloud-computing platform, Amazon Web Services, that allows users to

rent virtual computers on which to run their own computer applications

Pipeline Architecture:

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Main Steps:

- 1. When a user commits a code to a Github repository, Jenkins job will get triggered
- 2. Jenkins pipeline consists of SIX stages:
 - a. Building the artifact out of Java Code
 - b. SonarQube scans the code for any vulnerabilities
 - c. Pushes the artifact to Sonatype Nexus (Artifact Repository)
 - d. Deploys to DEV servers
 - e. Manual Approval
 - f. Deploys to PROD servers

Prerequisites:

Before getting started, make sure you have the following prerequisites:

→ Launch 5 EC2 Instances with the EC2 type t2.medium

→ 1 : Jenkins/Ansible

→ 2 : SonarQube

 \rightarrow 3 : Nexus

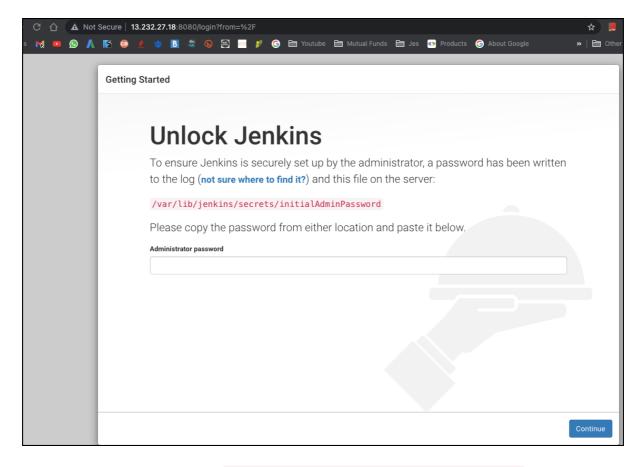
→ 4 : Test DEV server to deploy→ 5 : Test PROD server to deploy

Section-1: Installation of Jenkins (Instance 1)

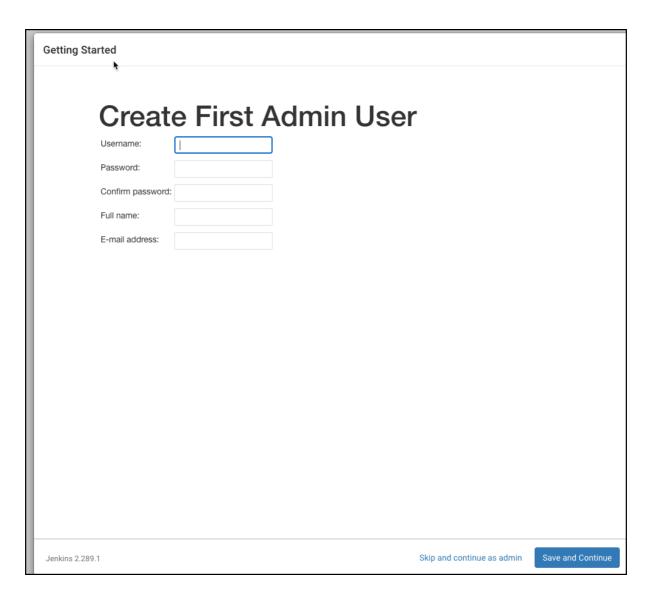
1. Create an Amazon Linux EC2 instance run below commands one you ssh

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#!/bin/bash
cd /home/ec2-user
sudo yum install java-1.8* -y
sudo yum install wget -y
sudo yum install git -y
sudo wget -O /etc/yum.repos.d/jenkins.repo https://pkg.jenkins.io/redhat-stable/jenkins.repo
sudo rpm --import https://pkg.jenkins.io/redhat-stable/jenkins.io.key
sudo amazon-linux-extras install epel -y
sudo yum update -y
sudo yum install jenkins java-1.8.0-openjdk-devel
# Start jenkins service
sudo systemctl start jenkins
# Setup Jenkins to start at boot
sudo systemctl enable jenkins
# Setup Jenkins to check the status
sudo systemctl status jenkins
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- 2. Once we are good with Jenkins Installation; we can access it using the url: http://public-ip:8080
- 3. Jenkins webpage should look like the one below



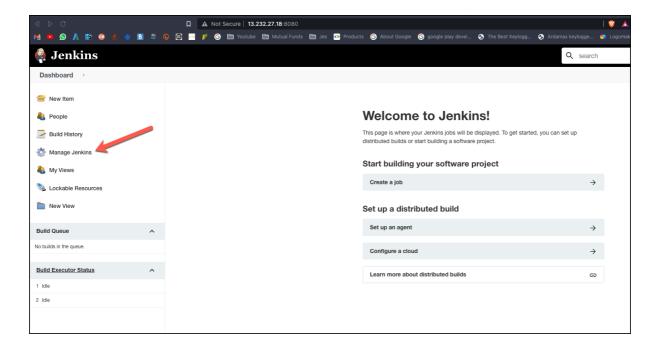
- 4. Run the command sudo cat var/lib/jenkins/secrets/initialAdminPassword on the Jenkins EC2 instance terminal to get the admin password, enter it on the prompt above and continue.
- 5.Choose Install suggested plugins in the next step 6.



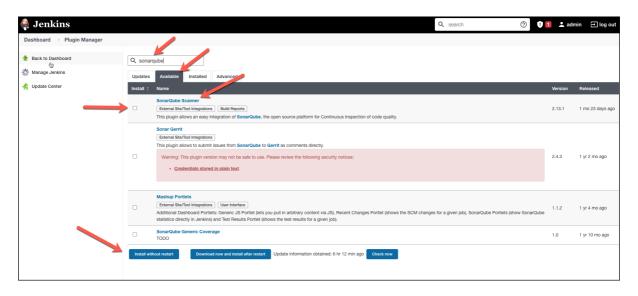
Enter all details, save and continue.

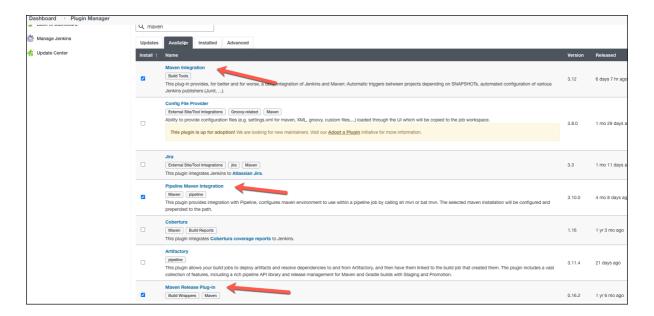
Instance Configuration Jenkins URL: http://13.232.27.18:8080/] The Jenkins URL is used to provide the root URL for absolute links to various Jenkins resources. That means this value is required for proper operation of many Jenkins features including email notifications, PR status updates, and the aurzo_usz_environment variable provided to build steps. The proposed default value shown is not saved yet and is generated from the current request, if possible. The best practice is to set this value to the URL that users are expected to use. This will avoid confusion when sharing or viewing links. Jenkins 2.289.1

- 8. You can always access Jenkins using url below http://public-ip:8080
- 9. Then click start using Jenkins
- 10. Navigate to manage jenkins

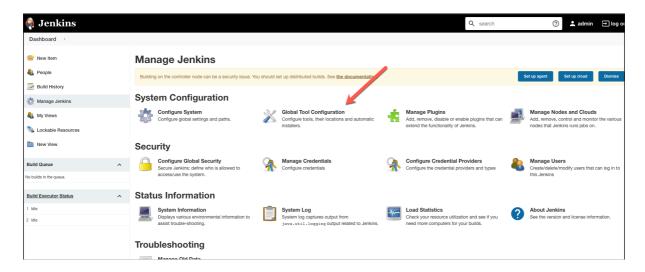


- 11. Please select Manage Plugins
- 12. That looks like below and search for "sonarqube" and Maven integration





13. Navigate to Global tool configuration

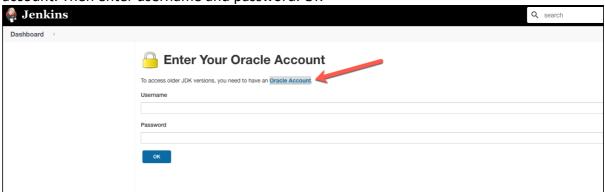


12. We have to configure JDK, Git, Sonarqube and Maven

- a. Configure JDK.
- b. Enter Name "localJdk
- c. Select Install Automatically check button



d. Pelase select "Please enter your username/password"; then create an oracle account. Then enter username and password. OK



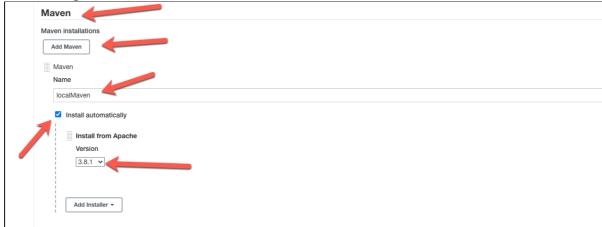
e. Enter details of Git



f. Select Sonarqube scanner



g. Then configure Maven



h. Apply once you configure as shown above.

Section-2: Setup Sonarqube (Instance 2)

- 1. Create an Amazon Linux EC2 instance
- **2.** Install Java sudo yum install java-1.8.0 -y
- 3. Check java installation with the command below
 - a. java -version
- 4. First, add repo using below command

 $sudo\ wget\ -O\ /etc/yum.repos.d/sonar.repo\ http://downloads.sourceforge.net/project/sonar-pkg/rpm/sonar.repo$

5. Install SonarQube by running:

sudo yum install sonar -y

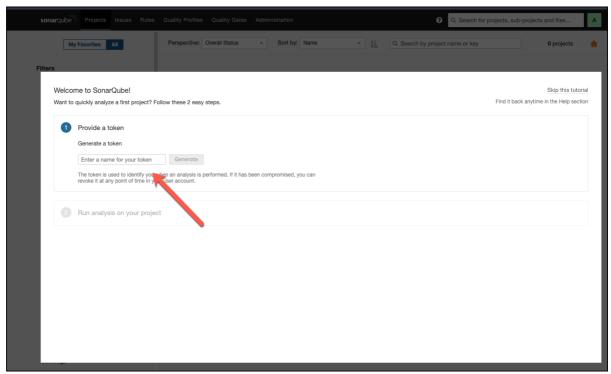
6. Start SonarQube

sudo service sonar start

7. Check status SonarQube

sudo service sonar status

- **8.** Access SonarQube from browser http://<ipaddress>:9000
- 9. Default user name and password is "admin"
- 10. Once you login you will find this screen. Please enter a name and generate token



11. We have to copy the above code and update it in JenkinsFile

Section-3: Setup Nexus (Instance 3)

1. Login to your Linux server and update the yum packages. Also install required utilities.

sudo yum update -y

sudo yum install wget -y

2. Install OpenJDK 1.8

sudo yum install java-1.8.0-openjdk.x86_64 -y

3. Create a directory named app and cd into the directory.

sudo mkdir /app && cd /app

4. Download the latest nexus. You can get the latest download links for nexus <u>from</u> here.

sudo wget -O nexus.tar.gz https://download.sonatype.com/nexus/3/latest-unix.tar.gz

5. Untar the downloaded file.

sudo tar -xvf nexus.tar.gz

6. Rename the untared file to nexus

sudo mv nexus-3.32.0-03/ nexus

7. As a good security practice, it is not advised to run nexus service with root privileges.

So create a new user named nexus to run the nexus service.

sudo adduser nexus

8. Change the ownership of nexus files and nexus data directory to nexus user.

sudo chown -R nexus:nexus /app/nexus

sudo chown -R nexus:nexus /app/sonatype-work

9. Open /app/nexus/bin/nexus.rc file

sudo vi /app/nexus/bin/nexus.rc

10. Uncomment run_as_user parameter and set it as following.

run as user="nexus"

11. Create a nexus systemd unit file.

sudo vi /etc/systemd/system/nexus.service

12. [Unit]

Description=nexus service After=network.target

[Service]

Type=forking

LimitNOFILE=65536

User=nexus

Group=nexus

ExecStart=/app/nexus/bin/nexus start

ExecStop=/app/nexus/bin/nexus stop

User=nexus

Restart=on-abort

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

13. Execute the following command to add nexus service to boot.

sudo chkconfig nexus on

14. To start the Nexus service, use the following command.

sudo systemctl start nexus

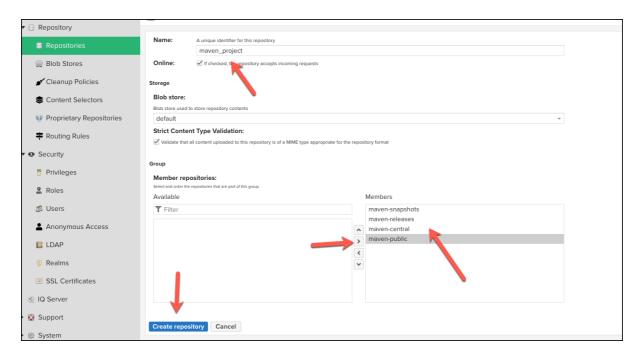
15. The above command will start the nexus service on port 8081. To access the nexus dashboard, visit http://:8081. You will be able to see the nexus homepage as shown below.

http://public-ip:8081

- 16. Default username is admin
- 17. You can find the default admin password in /app/sonatype-work/nexus3/admin.password file.
 - cat /app/sonatype-work/nexus3/admin.password
- 18. Once you login, you will be prompted to reset the password.

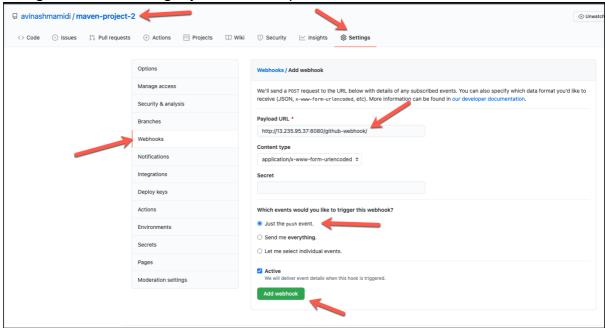


Once you select create repository and select maven2(group)



Section-4: Clone the repo and do changes and push to your Github repo

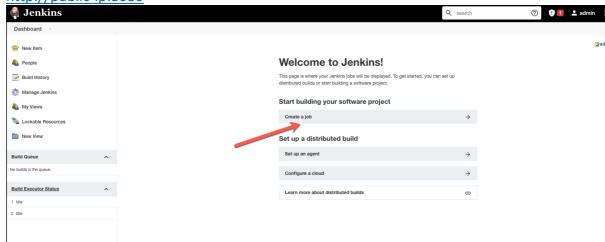
- 1. Clone this repo https://github.com/avinashmamidi/maven-project-2
- 2. Change ip of nexus in pom.xml line 32 and 36
- 3. Change SonarQube config in jenkinsfile and push it back



Section-5: Navigate to Jenkins Dashboard

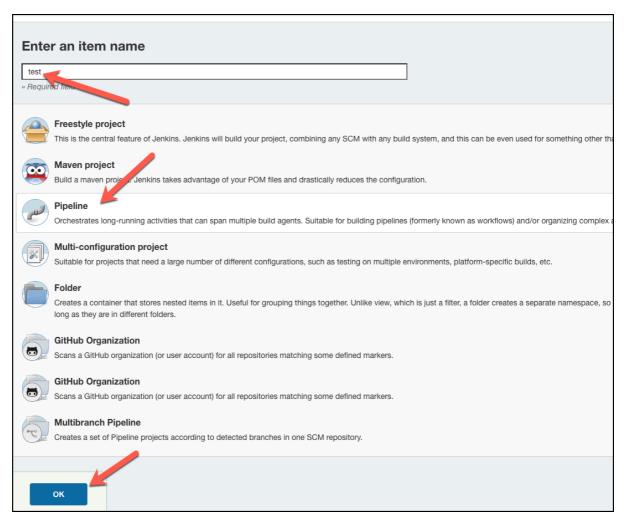
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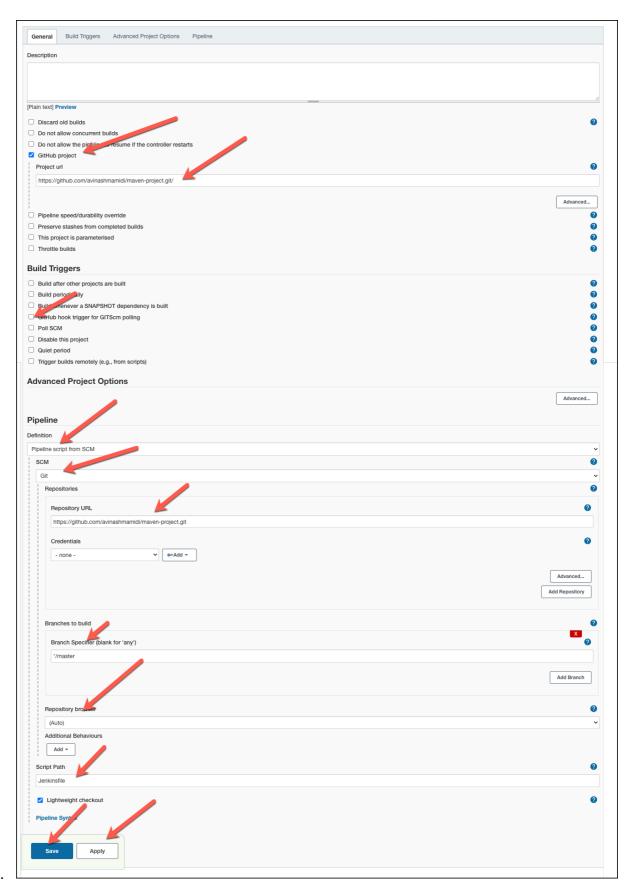
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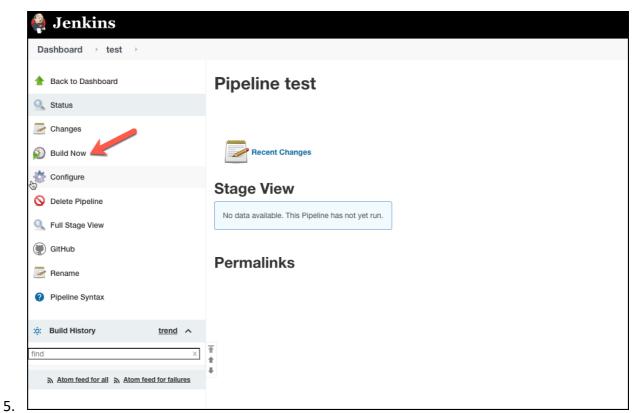


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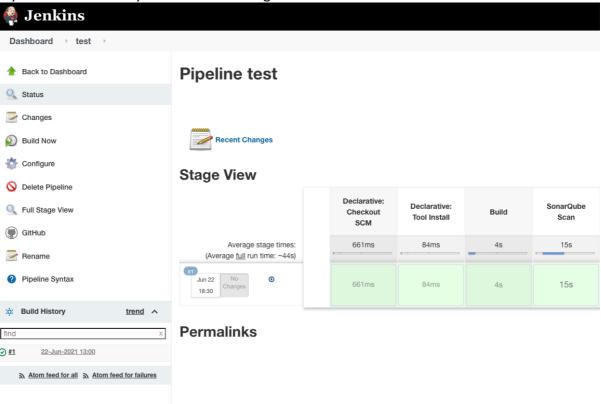
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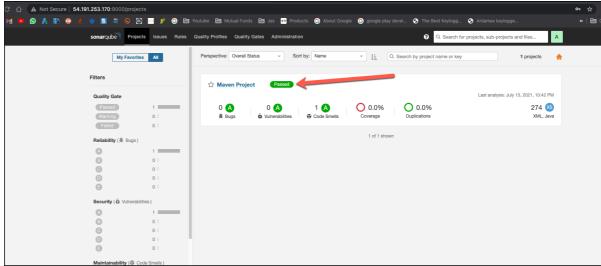




6. If you follow the doc you should see this green



8. Now sonarqube is configured with Jenkins. To check we can login to sonarqube from web browser



10. From below section we configure Jenkins with Nexus

Section-6: Login to Jenkins EC2 (Instance 1) → To configure Jenkins with Nexus

Install Maven:

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/neptune/latest/userguide/iam-auth-connect-prerg.html

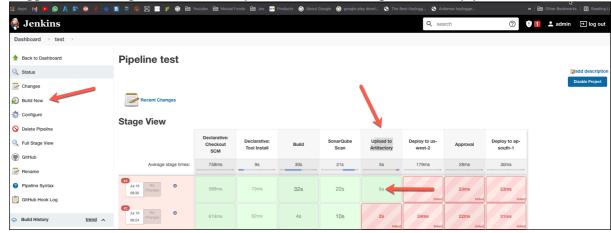
- 1. We have to encrypt nexus password and update it in the file below mvn -emp admin
- 2. Create folder in the root folder
 - a. cd/root
 - b. mkdir.m2
- 3. You will get encrypted password from above command, you need to change in below file.
 - a. cd.m2
- 4. create settings-security.xml file and
 - a. vi settings-security.xml
- 5. add the content to above file after change above password from line 6
 - <?xml version="1.0"?>
 - <settingsSecurity>
 - <master>{admin}</master>
 - </settingsSecurity>
- 6. We have to encrypt nexus password and update it in the below file mvn -ep admin
- 7. create settings.xml file
 - a. vi settings.xml
- 8. above file below content after change above password from line 6
- 9. <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
 - <settings xmlns="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0"
 xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
 xsi:schemaLocation="http://maven.apache.org/POM/4.0.0
 http://maven.apache.org/xsd/settings-1.0.0.xsd">

<localRepository>/var/lib/jenkins/.m2/repository</localRepository>

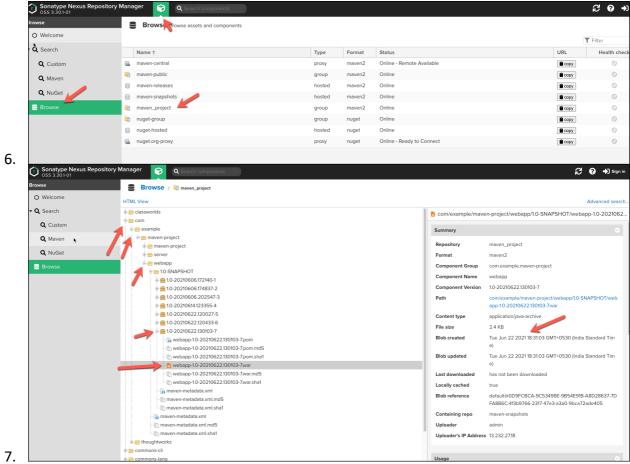
- </settings>
- 10. move above two files to /var/lib/jenkins/.m2
- 11. Change ownership and access of the 2 files
- 12. chown jenkins:jenkins settings.xml settings-security.xml
- 13. chmdo 755 settings.xml settings-security.xml

Section-7: Navigate to Jenkins Dashboard

- 1. We can access Jenkins using the url below
- 2. http://public-ip:8080
- 3. Trigger the build again to see the "Upload to Artifact" to green in the pipeline



5. Login to nexus on web browser to check whether artifact is uploaded



8. Since I ran the job 7 times we have 7 repos. You should see only one for the first time.

Section-8: Setup Ansible in Jenkins Instance (Instance 1) → For deployment

- 1 Install Ansible sudo amazon-linux-extras install ansible2
- 2 Sudo su
- 3 Create user and password useradd ansadmin passwd ansadmin (enter password when prompted)
- 5. cd /etc/ansible/
- **6.** vi ansible.cfg (uncomment host_key_checking = False)
- vi hosts (enter below content) [dev]
 - 3.108.227.139 ansible_user=ansadmin ansible_password=ansadmin (deploymentserverip username password) [prod]
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Section-9: Setup Deployment Instances

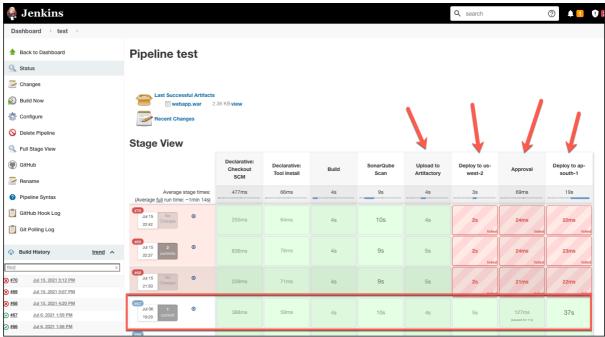
1. login to EC2 instance

- 2. Sudo su
- Create user and password useradd ansadmin passwd ansadmin (enter password when prompted)
- 4. vi /etc/ssh/sshd_config (uncomment PasswordAuthentication yes and comment PasswordAuthentication yes)
- 5. service sshd restart
- 6. Make sure below is uncommented in visudo %wheel ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL
- 7. usermod -aG wheel ansadmin
- 8. Install tomcat webserver sudo amazon-linux-extras install tomcat8.5
- 9. Start tomcat service:
- 10. sudo systemctl start tomcat

http://3.108.227.139:8080/webapp/

Section-10: Check the pipeline till deployment

- 1. We can access Jenkins using the url below
- 2. http://yourpublic-ip:8080
- 3. Once you trigger the build . You can find the whole pipeline is green and deployment succeded.



- 5. You can access application from following url
- 6. http://your-deployment-server-publicIP:8080/webapp/ which look like below



Note: Now our Jenkins pipeline is completed Including deployment. From below section you can see how to test of this Jenkins pipeline end to end.

Testing:

- Path to change content on application:
- maven-project-2/webapp/src/main/webapp/index.jsp
- Once you change content on above file and push it to Github.
- Jenkins job will automatically get triggered build, scan code, push the artifact and finally deploy
- You can repeat the testing multiple times