

Continuous integration

Travis CI was used.

<https://travis-ci.com/>

Travis CI is a web service which links to a Github account to provide continuous integration. Travis CI is notified when your Github repository is updated and then clones the repository and runs the instructions in the `.travis.yml` file to download the required dependencies and run the tests for your application.

I followed the following steps to set up Travis CI and activate continuous integration with my project's repository.

I created a `.travis.yml` file in my repository's base directory. The `travis.yml` had the following content:

I set the language to Python so Travis knows which interpreter to use.

```
language: python
```

Tell Travis the Python version. This is very important as between Python versions especially version 2 to 3 code may become invalid.

```
python:  
  - "3.4"
```

The following tells Travis to install the required libraries for my project. The `requirements.txt` file is in the base folder of the repository and is simply a list of my required libraries and their versions.

```
install:  
  - pip install -r tribe/requirements.txt
```

The next section tells Travis what it has to do to run my tests. Each line of this represents a command to be run.

```
script:  
  - cd tribe  
  - python manage.py test
```

Signing up for a Travis account was quite straightforward. It is important to note that for my purposes `travis-ci.com` was used and not `travis-ci.org`, because `travis-ci.org` only allows for public accounts and for academic purposes I needed to keep my builds private.

I signed up for the free trial using my Github account. This was a one-click operation. I was then able to navigate to the billing settings and notify Travis that I had a Github student account. Travis are part of this plan so I was then allowed free access to a private account.

I was then able to switch on or off repositories from my Github account.

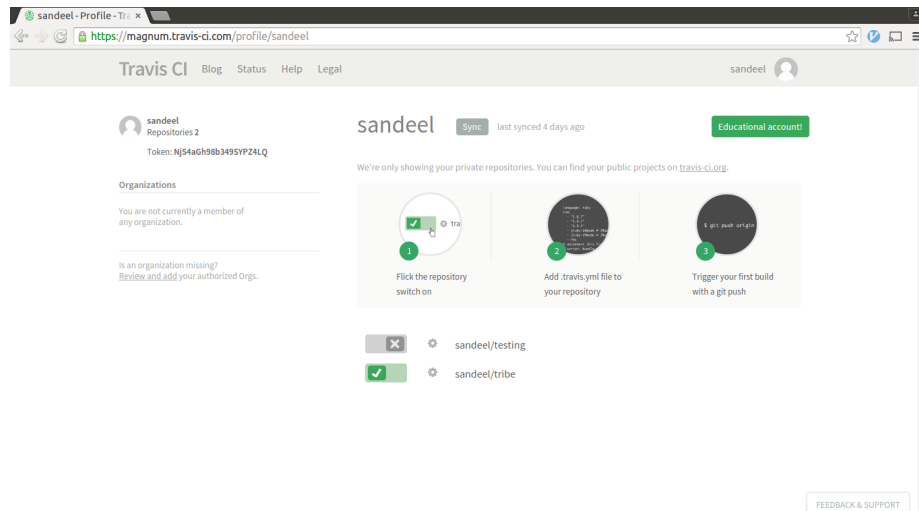


Figure 1: Activating repositories in Travis-CI