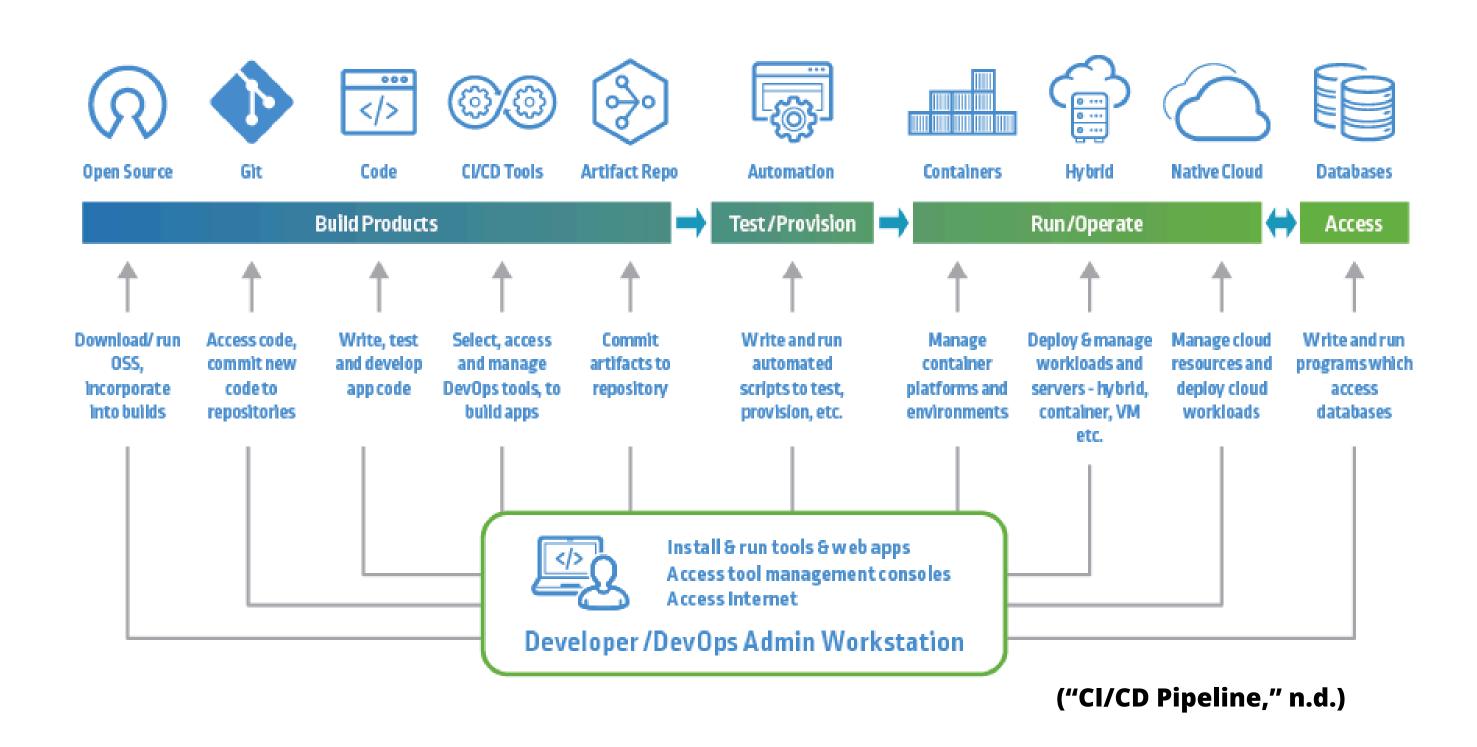
How to Elevate Development

Using an Impactful CI/CD Pipeline for Flutter Web Applications

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What is a CI/CD Pipeline?



Exploring the Efficiency of DevContainer Environments

"But it works on my machine?!"

- Leveraged Docker & dev containers for optimized Flutter dev environment
- Utilized a Dockerfile to encapsulate setup
- Dockerfile ensured consistency & efficiency
- Seamlessly integrated dev environment, simplifying CI/testing
- DevContainers enabled easy sharing & reuse
- Enhanced productivity & proficiency in Docker

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1 FROM mcr.microsoft.com/devcontainers/base:jammy

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4 # Apt

5 RUN apt-get update

6 RUN apt-get install -y wget xz-utils git curl file unzip zip

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8 # Flutter

9 RUN git clone -b master https://github.com/flutter/flutter.git /sdk/flutter

10 RUN ./sdk/flutter/bin/flutter --version

11 ENV PATH="/sdk/flutter/bin:${PATH}"

12 RUN chmod -R 777 /sdk/flutter
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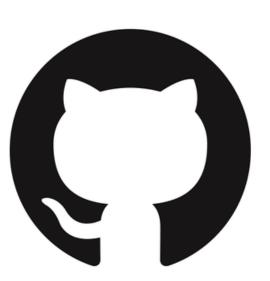
My Projects Dockerfile

Harnessing Git and GitHub for Version Control Integration



Git

- Utilized Git for version control due to its flexibility and robust features
 - Experience with Git and familiarity with its functionalities like branching, merging, and commit history



GitHub

- Leveraged GitHub as the platform for hosting repositories
 - Collaborative tools such as pull requests, code reviews, and issue-tracking

Configuring a Seamless CI/CD Pipeline for Flutter



Configuration Overview

- Utilized GitHub Actions to orchestrate the CI/CD pipeline
- Triggered on push events to the main branch for automated builds and deployments



Streamlined Workflow

- Installed and checked Flutter app dependencies to ensure consistency
- Automated building and testing of Flutter web application within the pipeline



Efficient Deployment

- Leveraged GitHub Pages to deploy the Flutter web application
- Utilized GitHub Actions for seamless integration and deployment

My Flutter Application Deployment Strategy

Deployment Approach:

- Utilized GitHub Pages to host the Flutter application using peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v3.
- Implemented a CI/CD pipeline to automate the deployment process.
 - Understanding Deployment Environments:
 - Leveraged GitHub Pages to create a static website, ideal for hosting Flutter applications.
 - Demonstrated proficiency in navigating various deployment environments, from local development to production.

My Flutter App

It's just the demo flutter app



Keeping it basic gave me time to focus on the CI/CD pipeline



I didn't have to worry about learning Dart and the learning curve associated with it



Allowed me to focus on other issues as the app already had working functionality

Flutter Demo Home Page

You have pushed the button this many times:





Problems

This was truly a challenging project for me. I ran into so many issues that I started reading official Flutter pull requests to fix my issues.

Problem 01

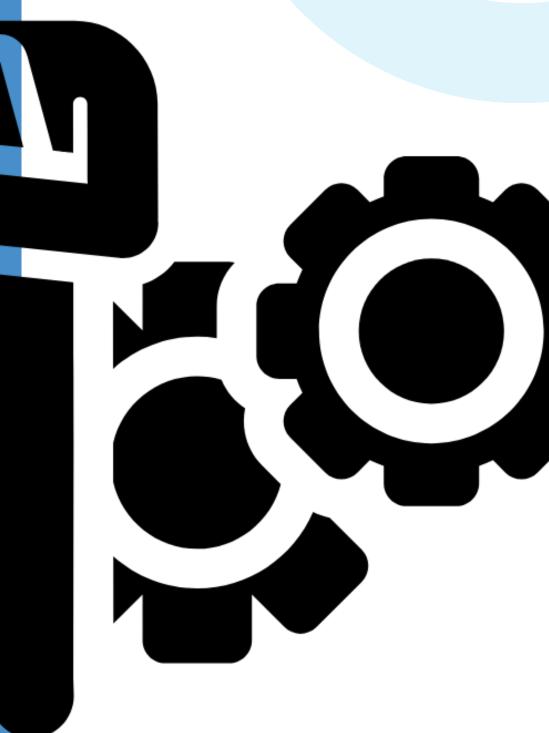
Setting up the Flutter
Environment and learning
Docker

Problem 02

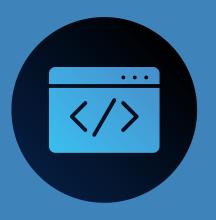
Setting up the deployment phase in the pipeline

Problem 03

GitHub Pages not creating a URL for end users



What I gained from this project



Software Development Skills

- Gained experience in CI/CD pipelines.
- Gained knowledge of the setup of devcontainers and Docker images for workflows.



Creating a Flutter Web Application

- Understand the requirements for successful Flutter web applications.
- Expanded proficiency in Flutter, Dart, YAML, and Markdown languages.



Debugging skills

- Leveraged documentation and known errors for issue resolution.
- Fostered collaboration through sharing repository for effective problemsolving.

QUESTIONS?

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