## Cookbook for CICD with R and GitHub Actions

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## Intro

This is a small collections of step-by-step on how to set-up of r-lib GitHub Actions for CICD with R programming. It mainly use the package usethis(version 2.1.6). More details of the actions can be found here. When I thought necessary I have added a few additional steps, e.g. when using other services from GitHub or Codecov which I thought was missing when I was trying to learn about GitHub Actions.

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## R CMD check

#### 2.1 R-CMD-check

Quick how-to to set a github action for a R CMD check each time there is merge into the **main** (or **master**) branch using r-lib check-release.yaml or check-standard.yaml

### 2.2 Prerequisite

None in particular but could be good to have some tests already.

### 2.3 Steps

- Create your package.
- Try to test your package devtools::test() or devtools::check()
  - While this step is not really necessary, it is to make sure your tests runs once and any further problems do not come from the tests.
- Add the check-release.yaml usethis::use\_github\_action("check-release") or check-standard.yaml usethis::use\_github\_action("check-standard")
  - check-release.yaml will run R CMD check on Ubuntu and current R version

- check-standard.yaml will run R CMD check on 3 OS: mac and Windows with the current R version, Ubuntu with the current, development and previous version of R. This what you would want for CRAN.
- Add the badge with usethis::use\_github\_actions\_badge("check-release") or usethis::use\_github\_actions\_badge("check-standard")
- Push!

# Shiny deploy

### 3.1 shiny-deploy

Quick how to set a github action for a shiny deployment each time there is merge into the **main** (or **master**) branch using **r-lib** shiny-deploy.yaml

### 3.2 Prerequisite

Make sure you have the rsconnect information.

• https://shiny.rstudio.com/articles/shinyapps.html

### 3.3 Steps

- Create your app using renv (The yaml use assume renv is used).
  - It is probably also a best practice to use renv.
- Try to deploy your app (either with the publish/redeploy button) or rsconnect::deployApp()
  - While this step is not really necessary, it is to make sure your app runs once and any further problems do not come from the app itself.
- Add a description usethis::use\_description(check\_name = F).
  - check\_name = F to avoid checking name valid for CRAN.

- Add the shiny-deploy.yaml usethis::use\_github\_action("shiny-deploy.yaml")
- Edit the shiny-deploy.yaml, especially the following part.
  - You can either fill in for the APPNAME, ACCOUNT, SERVER.

```
- name: Authorize and deploy app
env:
    # Provide your app name, account name, and server to be deployed below
APPNAME: your-app-name
    ACCOUNT: your-account-name
    SERVER: shinyapps.io # server to deploy
run: |
    rsconnect::setAccountInfo("${{ secrets.RSCONNECT_USER }}", "${{ secrets.RSCONNECT_USER }}", "${{ env.ACCOUNTED SER }}", account = "${{ env.ACCOUNTE
```

Or you can remove the env block and change the rsconnect::deployApp call.

```
- name: Authorize and deploy app
run: |
   rsconnect::setAccountInfo("${{ secrets.RSCONNECT_USER }}", "${{ secrets.RSCONNECT_USER }}", "$f{ secrets.RSCONNECT_US
```

- Add 3 secrets in the repository to store you account, token and secret (see prerequisite). They should have those names
  - RSCONNECT\_USER, RSCONNECT\_TOKEN, and secret RSCONNECT\_SECRET
  - You can follow these guides if needed
- Link the shiny app folder to the github repo (add the remote and origin) (if you have not done it already).
- Push!

## Test coverage

#### 4.1 test-coverage

Quick how-to to set a GitHub action to get code coverage and the badge from Codecov each time there is merge into the **main** (or **master**) branch using r-lib test-coverage.yaml.

### 4.2 Prerequisite

Have a Codecov account link with your repository.

None in particular but could be good to have some tests as to get a coverage of something.

### 4.3 Steps

- Create your package.
- Link your local to the remote if it has not be done yet (make sure your project is linked to a Github repository).
- Make sure Codecov has synced with your repository. The repository should appear in the *Not yet setup* if this is the first time. The syncing between GitHub and Codecov takes a bit of time so you can go for a coffee or



- Try to test your package covr::package\_coverage().
  - While this step is not really necessary, it is to make sure your tests runs once and any further problems do not come from the tests.
- Add the test-coverage.yaml usethis::use\_github\_action("test-coverage")
- Add the badge with usethis::use\_coverage("codecov")

```
> usethis::use_coverage(type = c("c
v Writing 'codecov.yml'
v Adding Codecov test coverage badg
```

- This step should add a badge in your readme file.
- Or should give you a message in the console telling you to copy and

paste some lines in the README.

- If nothing happen, you can add the line directly following the syntax or remove the **codecov.yml** from the project folder and run usethis::use\_coverage("codecov") again.
- Push!
- The GitHub action will push the report to Codecov, you can see the report by clicking on the badge.
  - Github and Codecov needs to sync for the percentage to appear