



How Hackers Use Tokens To Break Into Google Cloud Pipelines

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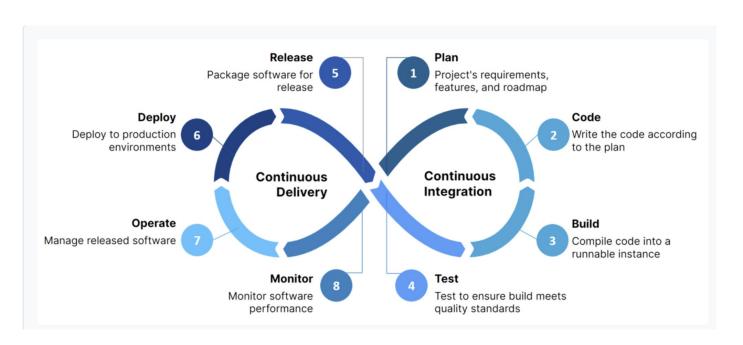
What is CI/CD?

CI/CD (Continuous Integration and Continuous Delivery/Deployment) is a modern software development practice that automates the process of building, testing and releasing applications.

- Continuous Integration (CI): Developers keep adding their code into a common place and every time new code is added, it is automatically built and tested to catch problems early.
- Continuous Delivery/Deployment (CD): Once the code passes tests, it is automatically sent to staging or production, so new features and fixes reach users quickly and safely.

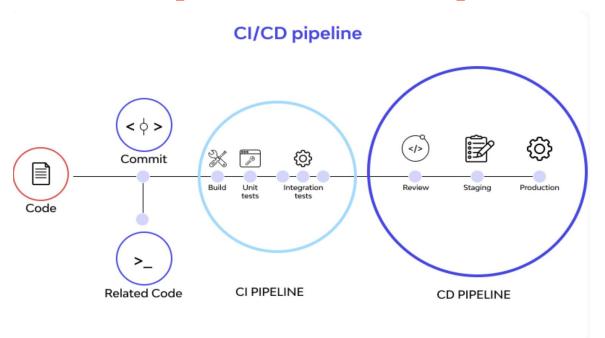


Architecture





CI/CD Pipeline Components





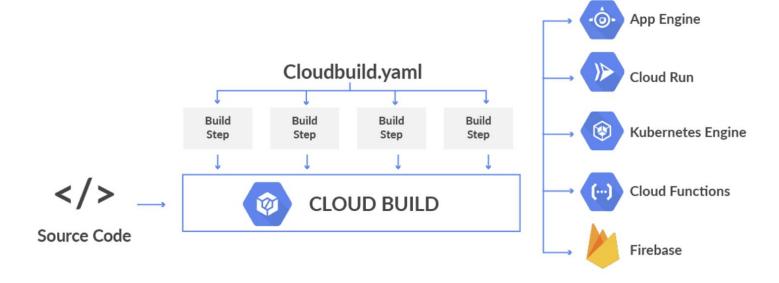
What is Cloud Build?

A fully managed CI/CD service that lets you build, test, and deploy applications on Google Cloud.

- Automates builds from source code.
- Supports containers, VMs and serverless deployments.
- Scales automatically, so you don't need to manage servers.
- Works with GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket and Cloud Source Repositories.



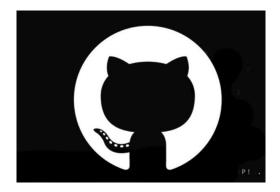
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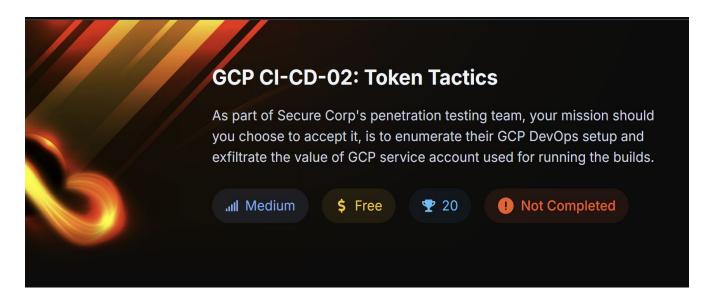
Scenario Overview

- Hijacking a CI/CD pipeline on GCP via GitHub
- Leveraging a GitHub token (PAT) for repo access
- Injecting a malicious build step in cloudbuild.yaml
- Executing a script to steal GCP service account tokens
- Exfiltrating tokens to an attacker-controlled server
- Using the stolen token to query Google APIs
- Flag: Reveal the service account email running the build





Solving Challenge





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