



# SATELLITE IMAGE ANALYSIS WITH DVC

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# AGENDA

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WHAT IS DVC

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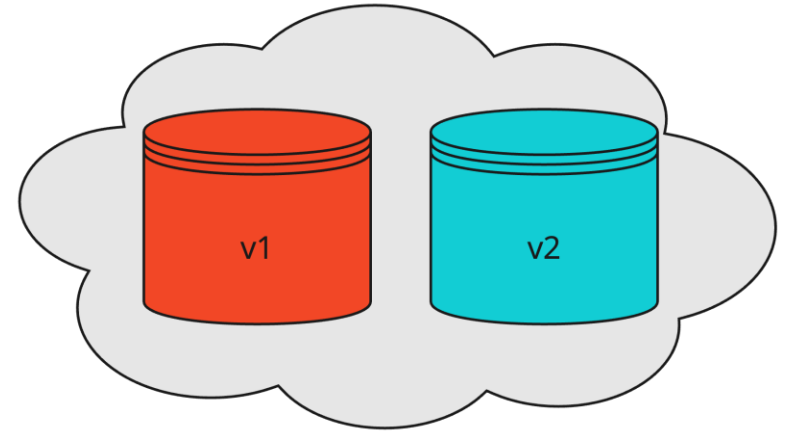
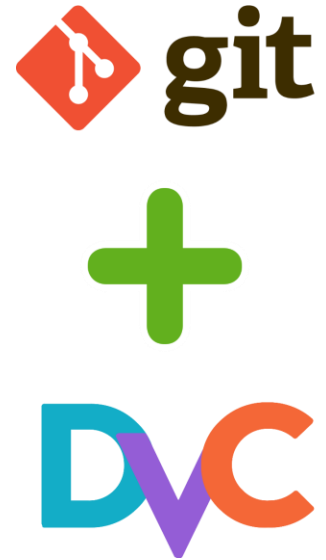
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## DATA VERSION CONTROL?

“DVC IS AN OPEN-SOURCE  
TOOL FOR VERSIONING,  
MANAGING, AND  
COLLABORATING ON LARGE  
DATASETS AND MACHINE  
LEARNING MODELS.”



# PROJECT WORKFLOW

## Step 1: Pulling Satellite Images

**Objective:** Automate the process of downloading satellite images.

**How:**

- Developed a Python script that pulls satellite images from free sources like NASA
- Script filters images based on location, date range, or cloud cover.
- The images are retrieved using a **REST API** at scheduled intervals, managed through a **Cron expression** for automation.





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## Step 2: Managing Datasets with DVC

### Initialization:

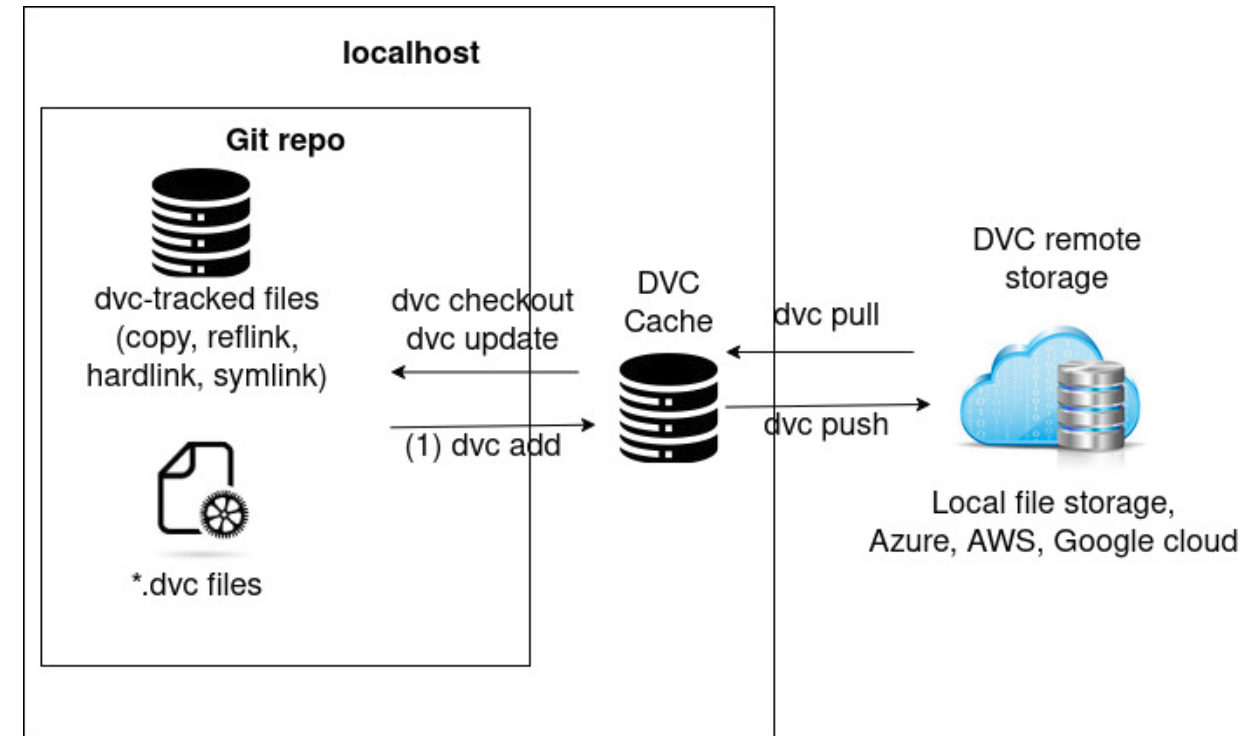
- DVC is initialized in the project directory using `dvc init`.
- This sets up the DVC environment and creates the necessary `.dvc` files and configurations.

### Adding and Tracking Images:

- The satellite images (e.g., stored in a `data/images/` folder) are tracked using the `dvc add` command. This creates a `.dvc` file (e.g., `data/images.dvc`), which acts as metadata for the tracked files.
- The large files are not committed to Git. Instead, DVC stores their versioned metadata, while the actual files are pushed to remote storage (e.g., GCP).

### Reproducibility:

- By committing the `.dvc` files to Git, the dataset versions are locked in the repository.
- Anyone can reproduce the same version of the dataset using: `dvc pull`
- This ensures that all team members or environments can access identical datasets.



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## Step 3: Storing Data in GCP Cloud Storage

**Objective:** Efficiently store and retrieve large datasets

### How:

- Configured GCP Cloud Storage as the DVC remote.
- Linked DVC to GCP using authentication credentials.

### Key Steps:

- `dvc remote add -d gcpremove gs://bucket-name`
- DVC handles data synchronization between the local project and GCP Cloud Storage.

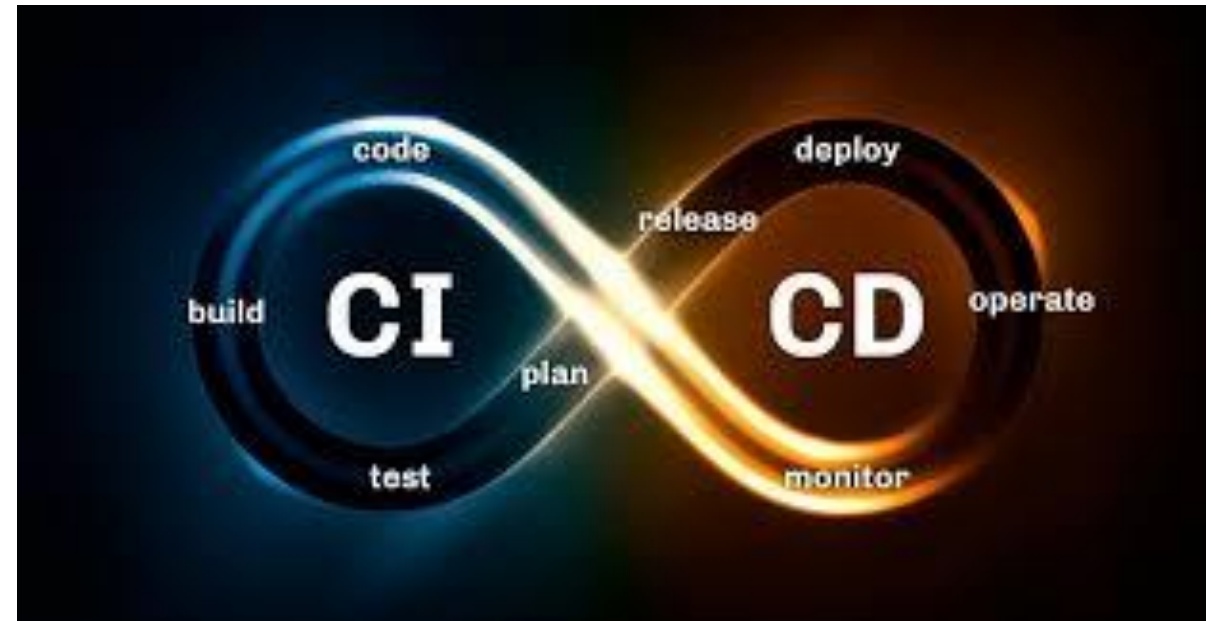
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## Step 4: Automation with GitHub Actions

**Objective:** Automate the end-to-end workflow (image pull → version → push).

**How:**

- Set up GitHub Actions to trigger:
- Python script execution to pull new images.
- DVC commands (add, commit, push) to manage and store updated data.



# KEY BENEFITS



- Improved version control for large datasets.
- Streamlined data storage and retrieval.
- End-to-end automation reduces manual effort.





Q&A

THANK YOU