

Explain the Fundamentals and Benefits of CI/CD to Achieve, Build, and Deploy Automation for Software Products

## What is CI/CD?

CI/CD is abbreviation of continuous integration and continuous deployment.

Continuous integration: The practice of merging all developers' working copies to a shared mainline several times a day. Compiling, testing the whole project whenever a commit happen to discover bugs or problem as early as possible

Continuous deployment.: automating the creation and configuration of the infrastructure required for the SW product to change from code to cash. It also responsible for migrating to the new deployments, appling smoke tests, cleaning up any unrequired infrastructure and revert back and undo any deployment if an error happen during the pipeline

## Why CI/CD

- Developers can focus most of their time on building more value.
- More revenue as a result of optimum application availability.
- Reduce costs by catching problems early and avoiding downtime.
- Preserves company image by early detection and mitigation of security vulnerabilities.
- Increase customer satisfaction and retention by frequent releases of new, valuable features.
- Less human error, Faster deployments
- Less infrastructure costs from unused resources
- Less time to market

