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Please explain the following GitHub Actions YAML file line-by-line: ""

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##### ## Build and Deploy
Hugo Website to GitHub Pages ## Author: Jérémie Lumbroso <lumbroso@seas.upenn.edu>
## Date: 2024-02-24 #####
name: 🏗️ Build and Deploy GitHub Pages on: push: branches: - main # Set a branch to
deploy jobs: deploy: runs-on: ubuntu-22.04 steps: - name: 🔄 Check Out Source Repository
uses: actions/checkout@v3.5.1 with: submodules: true # Fetch Hugo themes (true OR
recursive) fetch-depth: 0 # Fetch all history for .GitInfo and .Lastmod - name: 🛠️ Initialize
Hugo Environment uses: peaceiris/actions-hugo@v2.6.0 with: hugo-version: "0.144.1"
extended: true - name: 🏗️ Compile Hugo Static Files run: hugo -D --gc --minify - name: 🚀
Publish to GitHub Pages uses: peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v3.9.3 with: github_token: ${{
secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }} publish_branch: gh-pages user_name: "github-actions[bot]"
user_email: "github-actions[bot]@users.noreply.github.com" ## NOTE: uncomment below if
using a custom domain ## cname: mydomain.com ""
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I'll explain each part of this GitHub Actions workflow file that builds and deploys a Hugo website to GitHub Pages.

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name: 🚀 Build and Deploy GitHub Pages
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This line sets the name of the workflow as it will appear in the GitHub Actions interface.

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on:
  push:
    branches:
      - main
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This section configures when the workflow runs - specifically when code is pushed to the 'main' branch.


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jobs:
  deploy:
    runs-on: ubuntu-22.04
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Defines a job named 'deploy' that will run on Ubuntu 22.04.

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steps:

- name:  Check Out Source Repository  
uses: actions/checkout@v3.5.1  
with:  
 submodules: true  
 fetch-depth: 0

First step checks out your code:

- Uses the checkout action version 3.5.1
- `submodules: true` fetches Hugo themes stored as submodules
- `fetch-depth: 0` gets the complete git history needed for Hugo's GitInfo and Lastmod features

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- name:  Initialize Hugo Environment  
uses: peaceiris/actions-hugo@v2.6.0  
with:  
 hugo-version: "0.144.1"  
 extended: true

Sets up Hugo:

- Uses the peaceiris Hugo action version 2.6.0
- Installs Hugo version 0.144.1
- `extended: true` installs the extended version of Hugo which includes SCSS/SASS support

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- name: 🏗️ Compile Hugo Static Files
  run: hugo -D --gc --minify
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Builds the Hugo site:

- `-D` includes draft content
- `--gc` runs garbage collection during build
- `--minify` minimizes the output files

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- name: 🚀 Publish to GitHub Pages
  uses: peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v3.9.3
  with:
    github_token: ${ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }
    publish_branch: gh-pages
    user_name: "github-actions[bot]"
    user_email: "github-actions[bot]@users.noreply.github.com"
```

Deploys to GitHub Pages:

- Uses the peaceiris GitHub Pages action version 3.9.3
- Uses the automatically provided GITHUB\_TOKEN for authentication
- Publishes to the 'gh-pages' branch
- Sets the git commit author to the GitHub Actions bot

The commented out `cname` option at the bottom can be uncommented and set if you're using a custom domain for your GitHub Pages site.



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Since it includes -D, I should be either deleting draft pages or removing the -D right?

It depends on your needs, but yes - including `-D` means your workflow is publishing draft content to your live site, which is typically not desired for production. Here are your options:

1. Remove the `-D` flag if you want to exclude draft content (recommended for production):

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run: hugo --gc --minify
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2. Or if you want to keep drafts but make them ready for publication, you should:
  - Go through your content files
  - Remove the `draft: true` front matter from posts you want to publish
  - Keep `draft: true` only for genuinely unfinished content

Generally, having `-D` in a production deployment workflow is risky because:

- It could accidentally expose unfinished content
- Draft content might not be fully reviewed or polished
- You might publish placeholder text or incomplete information

The `-D` flag is more appropriate for development or staging environments where you want to preview draft content.



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