

GITHUB ACTIONS

Automate Workflows
CI-CD Pipeline



WHAT IS CI-CD?



 DATASENSE

EXAMPLE



I HAVE A WEBSITE

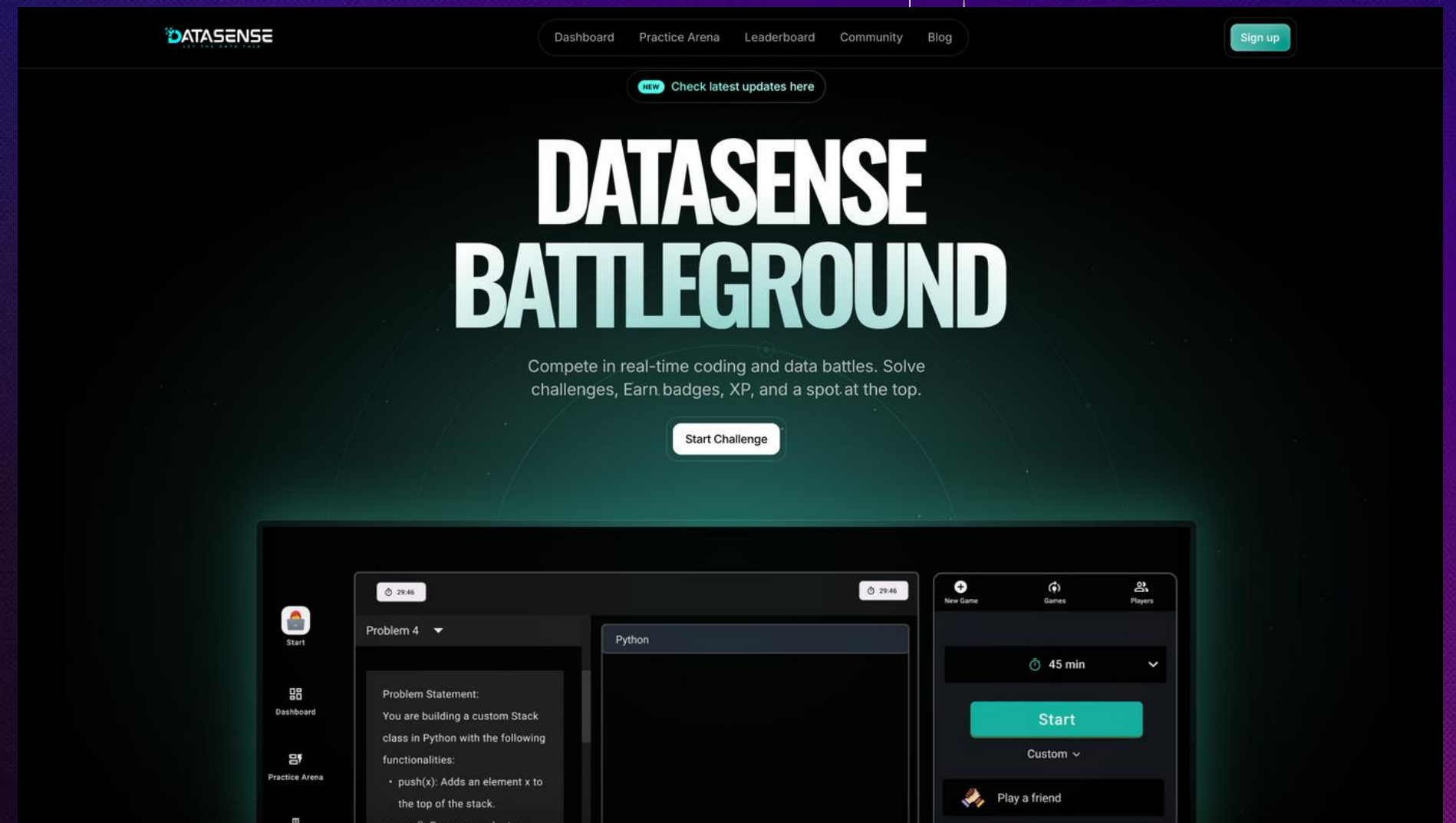
10,000 Active Users

1000 Paid Users



I Want to Add a New Feature

But It will take 45 Days



HOW WILL YOU BUILD THIS ?



PLAN- A



WEBSITE UNDER MAINTENANCE

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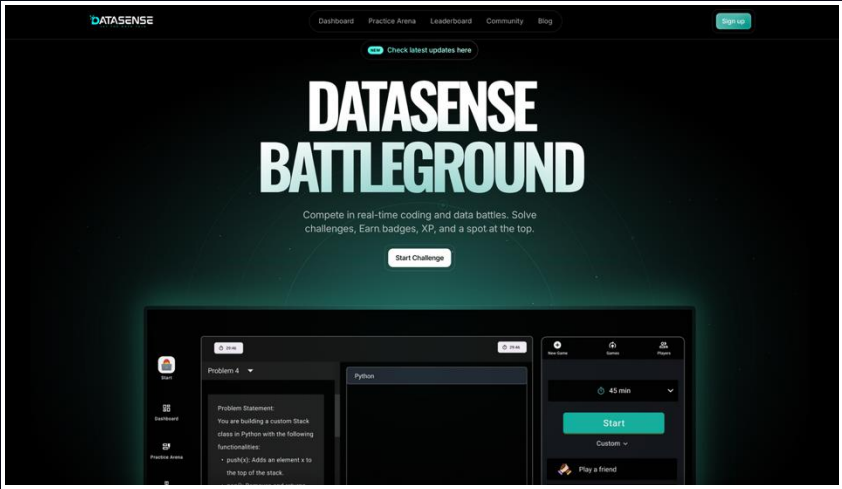
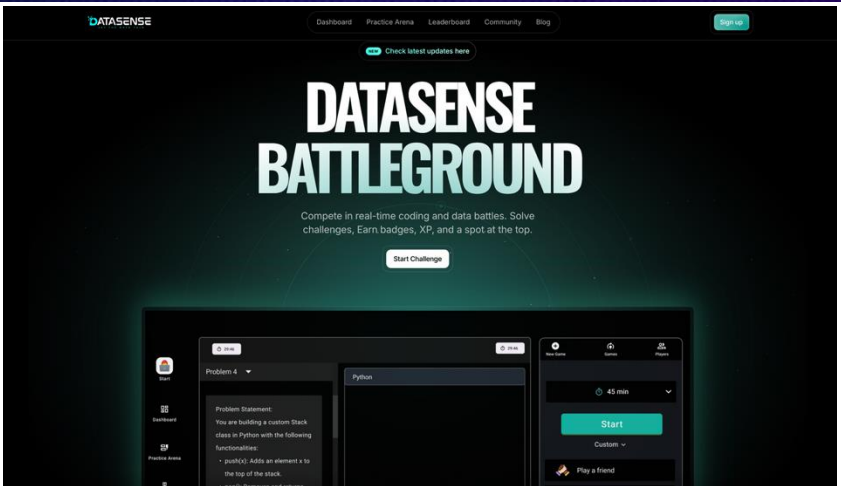
WORK ON CHANGES



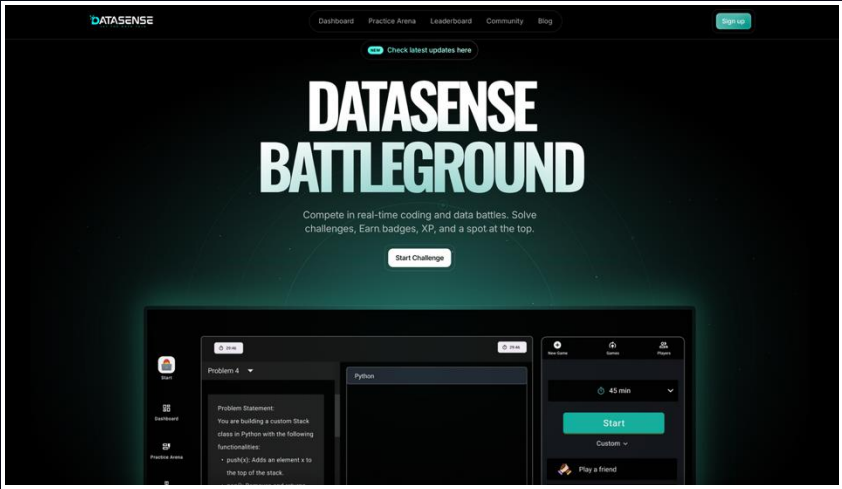
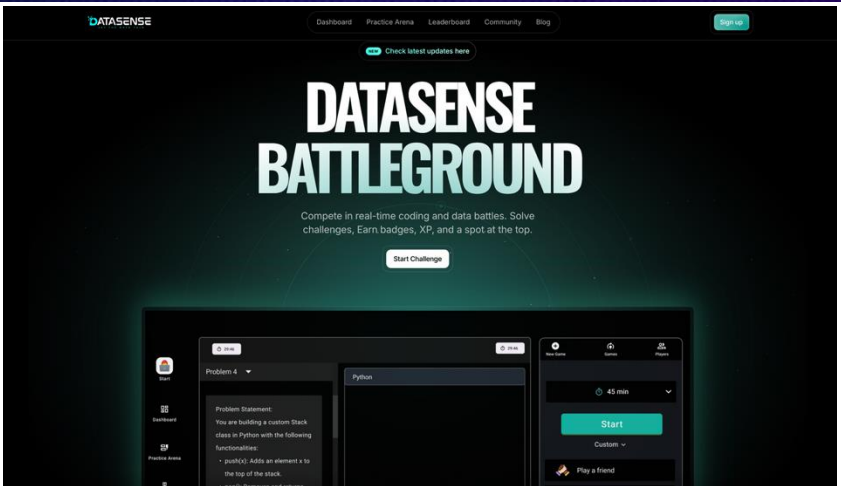
PLAN- B



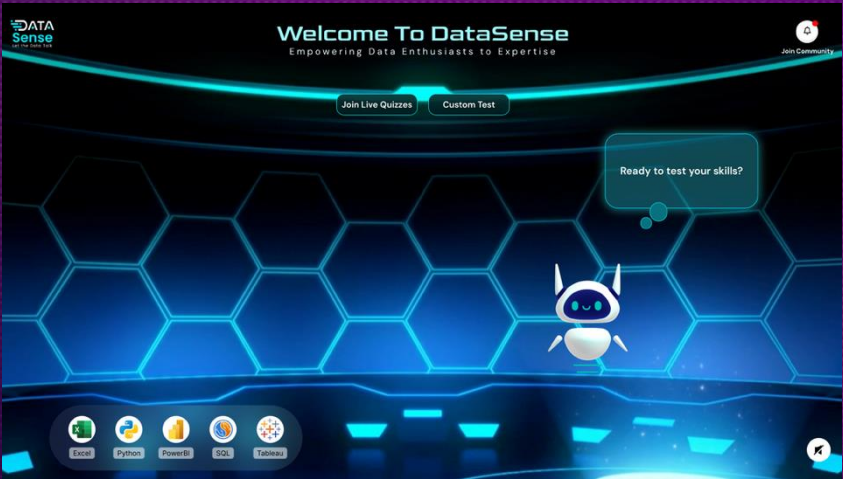




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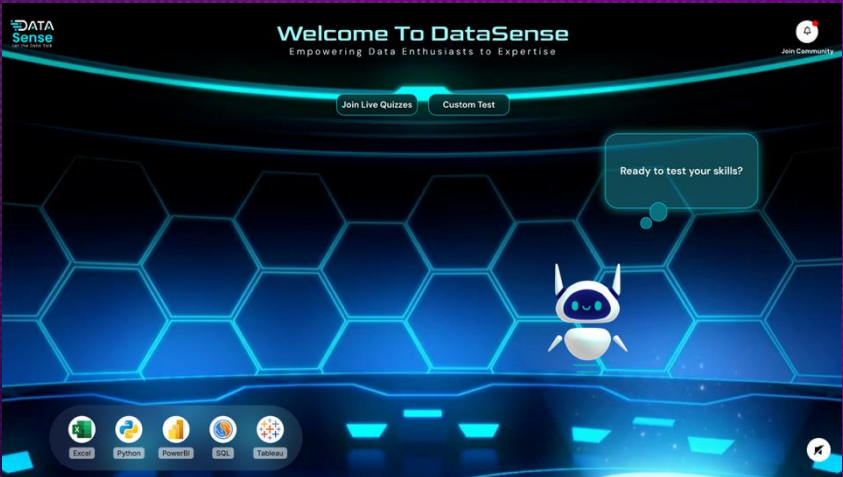
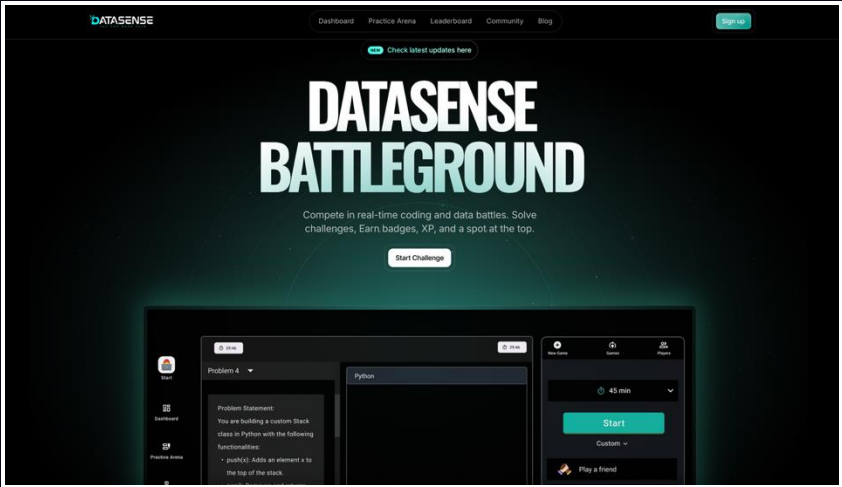
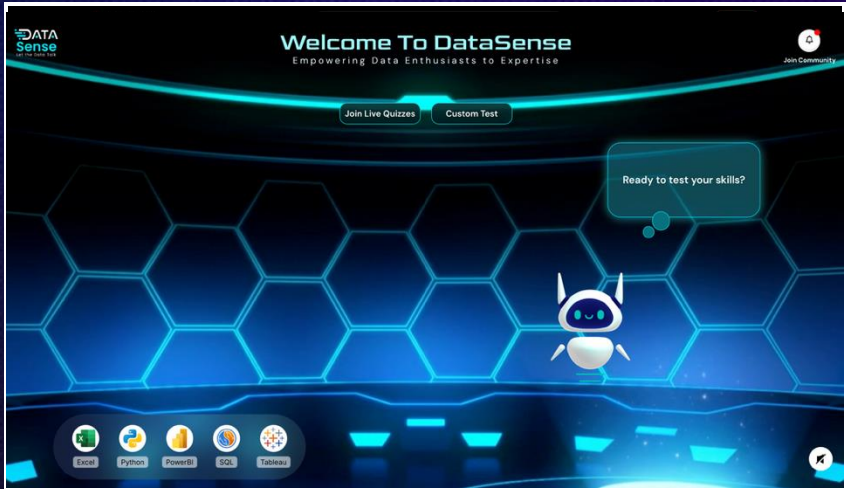
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Update Website



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ADVANTAGES OF THIS METHOD?

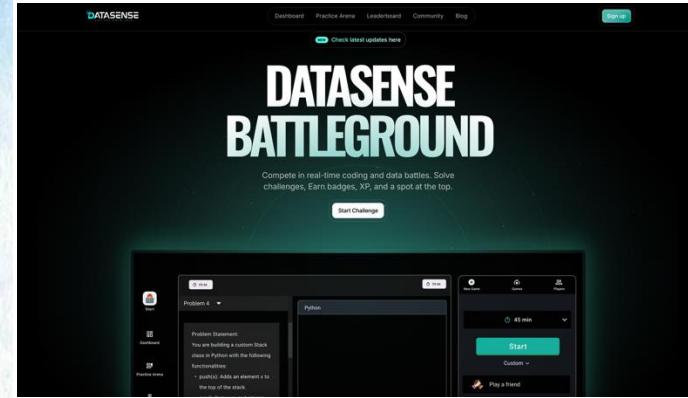
CI/CD (Continuous Integration & Continuous Deployment) is a modern software development practice that **automates testing and deployment**, ensuring fast, reliable, and error-free **software releases**.

CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION (CI): Every time a developer makes a change, the code is automatically tested and merged to avoid conflicts and errors.

Continuous Delivery (CD) – The tested code is ready for deployment with a single click.

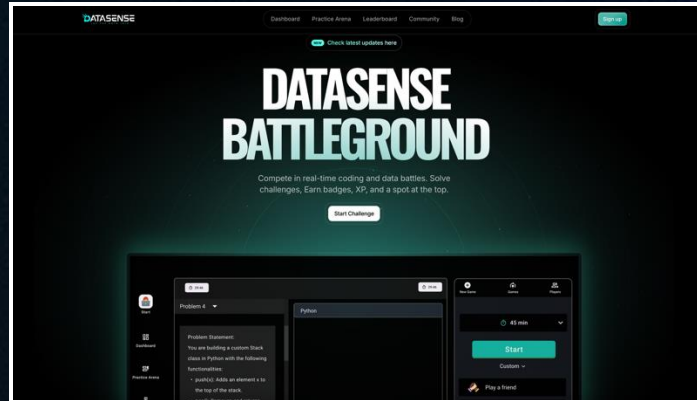
Continuous Deployment (CD) – Code changes are automatically pushed to production without manual approval.

Continuous Integration (CI)



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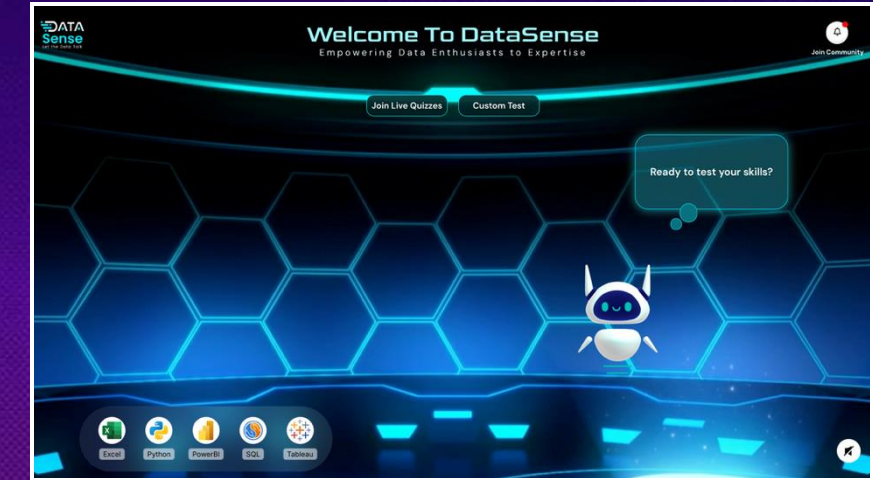




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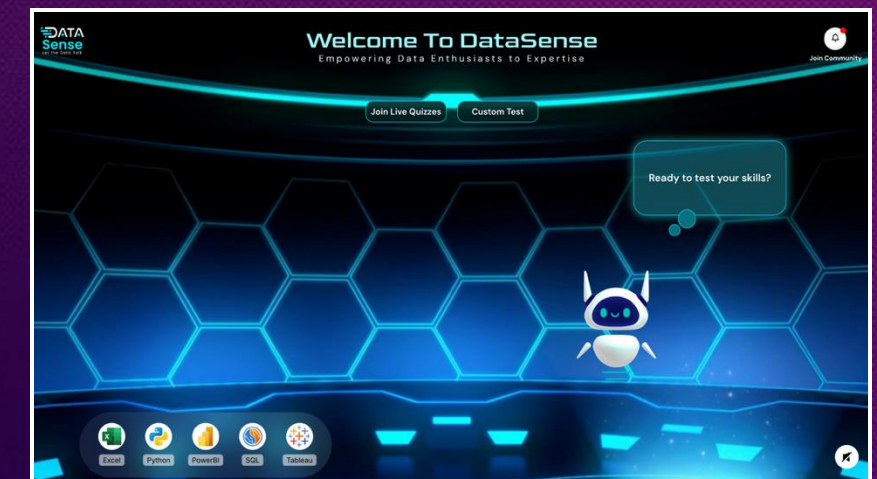
Write Code for New Feature



Updated Code



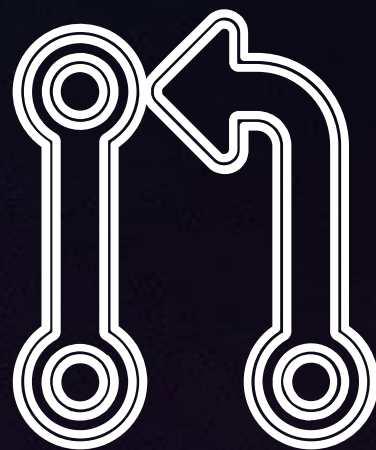
Commit Changes



Push to Github



Create a Pull Request then Merge



Continuous Delivery (CD)

You Made Changes but Now you want to do Unit Testing



Updated Code



Upload Code to
Testing Server



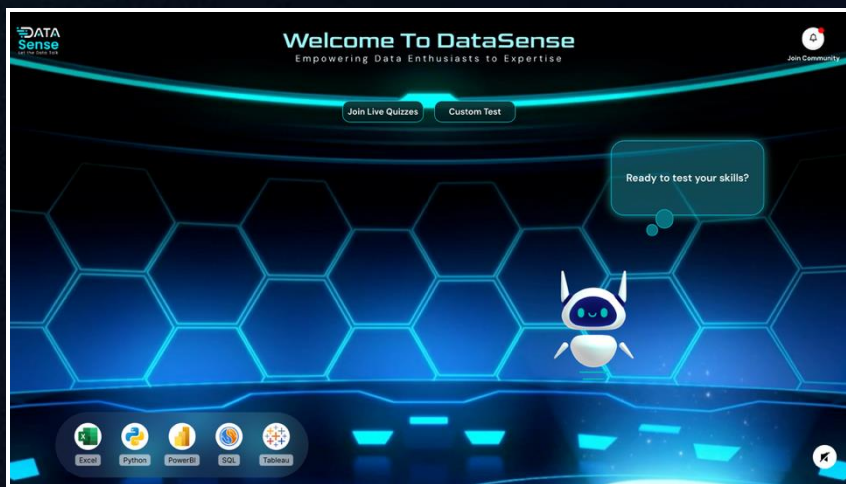
Check Report



Or



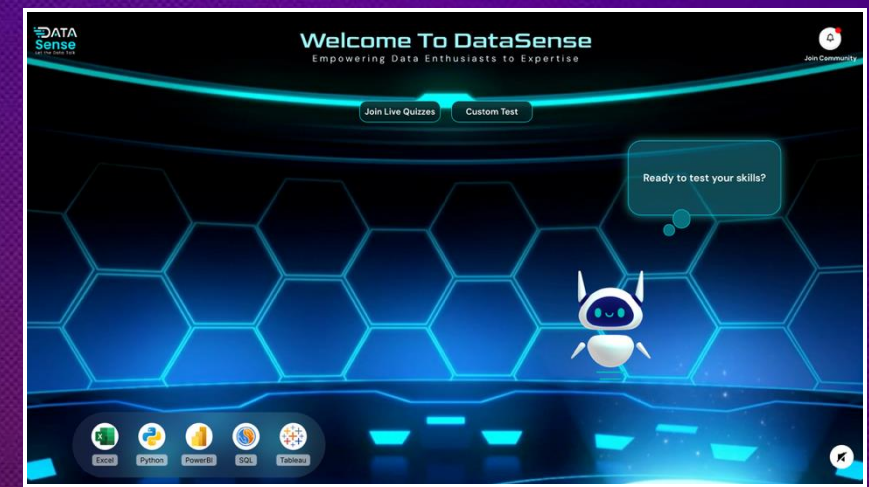
Continuous Deployment (CD)



Tested Code



Push to Main Server



Main Updated Website

Final Workflow

✦ All these Steps Should be Automatic



Tools for CI-CD

Github Actions

💡 What it Does:

- Built directly into GitHub, allowing you to automate workflows, test, and deploy your code.
- Works seamlessly with GitHub repositories without extra setup.

🔑 Key Features:

- ✓ Simple YAML-based workflow definitions
- ✓ Deep GitHub integration
- ✓ Supports self-hosted & cloud runners
- ✓ Best for: Small to medium teams using GitHub extensively

🚀 Why Choose GitHub Actions?

- ◆ If your project is already on GitHub, it's the easiest way to automate builds & deployments.



What it Does:

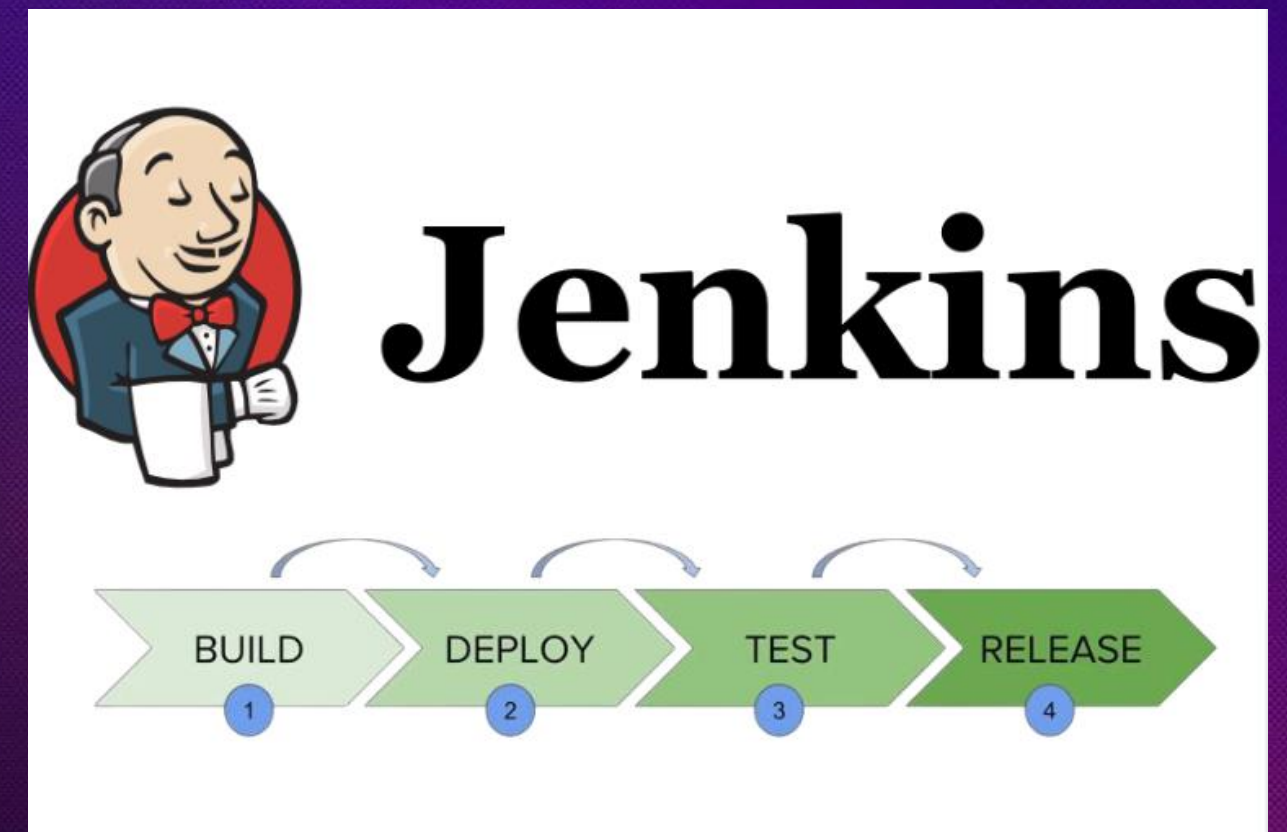
- One of the oldest and most widely used open-source CI/CD tools.
- Offers high flexibility but requires manual setup.

🔑 Key Features:

- ✓ Highly customizable with plugins
- ✓ Self-hosted (runs on your servers)
- ✓ Works with any programming language
- ✓ Best for: Enterprises needing custom pipelines

🚀 Why Choose Jenkins?

- ◆ If you need full control & flexibility over your CI/CD pipeline.



Other Tools

Tool	Best For	Self-Hosted / Cloud	Key Distinction
GitHub Actions	GitHub users	Cloud-based	Seamless GitHub integration
Jenkins	Large enterprises needing flexibility	Self-hosted	Highly customizable with plugins
GitLab CI/CD	GitLab users	Both	Built-in DevOps with GitLab
CircleCI	High-speed deployments	Cloud-based	Faster build times
Travis CI	Open-source projects	Cloud-based	Free for public repos
Azure DevOps	Microsoft-based apps	Cloud-based	Best for Windows & Azure users
AWS CodePipeline	AWS-based apps	Cloud-based	Seamless AWS integration
ArgoCD	Kubernetes-based deployments	Cloud-native	Best for GitOps & Kubernetes

Github Actions Architecture

Github Actions

GitHub Actions is a **workflow automation tool** built directly into GitHub. It helps developers automate testing, building, and deploying applications without needing an external CI/CD tool.

Key Components

- 1 Workflow** – The complete process of automation (like a recipe for your project).
- 2 Events** – Triggers that start the workflow (like "on push" or "on PR merge").
- 3 Jobs** – A group of steps executed together (e.g., running tests, deploying code).
- 4 Steps** – The individual tasks inside a job (like commands to install dependencies).
- 5 Runners** – The machine that executes the workflow (can be GitHub-hosted or self-hosted).



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