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CI/CD Pipeline with GitHub Actions & Docker 🚀

Introduction

Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment (CI/CD) streamline software development by automating testing, building, and deployment ⚙️. This project demonstrates a complete CI/CD pipeline for a Flask web application using GitHub Actions, Docker, and Minikube for local Kubernetes deployment, eliminating the need for cloud services ☁️❌.

Abstract

The project involves a Flask application that displays a message on a background ☀️. The CI/CD pipeline automates testing ✅, Docker image building 🐳, and pushes the image to Docker Hub 📦. Using Minikube, the Docker image is pulled and deployed locally as a Kubernetes pod 🌱, providing a realistic simulation of cloud deployments while remaining entirely on local infrastructure.

Tools Used 🔧

- ★ Flask – Python framework for building the web application 🦹.
- ★ Docker – Containerization platform for packaging the app 🐳.
- ★ GitHub Actions – Automates the CI/CD workflow ⚙️.
- ★ Docker Hub – Repository for storing Docker images 📦.
- ★ Minikube – Local Kubernetes environment for deployment and testing 🖥️.
- ★ kubectl – Command-line tool for interacting with Kubernetes clusters 🖥️.
- ★ Steps Involved in Building the Project 📝
- ★ Created app.py page directly from Flask 🦹.
- ★ Wrote a Dockerfile to containerize the Flask app 🐳.
- ★ Verified image runs correctly locally via docker build and docker run ✅.

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- ★ CI/CD Workflow with GitHub Actions
- ★ Configured .github/workflows/ci-cd.yml to:
- ★ Checkout the repository code 📁.
- ★ Run automated tests using pytest ✅.
- ★ Build Docker image 🐳.
- ★ Push the image to Docker Hub 📦.
- ★ Local Deployment with Minikube
- ★ Started Minikube cluster locally 🖥️.
- ★ Loaded Docker image into Minikube 🐳 ➡️ 🖥️.
- ★ Deployed the app as a Kubernetes pod 🧩.
- ★ Accessed the deployed app using: minikube service my-local-app-service 🌟.
- ★ Verified all tests passed in GitHub Actions ✅.
- ★ Confirmed the Flask app displayed correctly in the browser via Minikube 🌐.

Conclusion

This project demonstrates a complete local CI/CD pipeline using GitHub Actions, Docker, and Minikube 🖥️. Automating testing, image building, and deployment provides faster ⚡, consistent 🔁, and reliable ✅ delivery. Using Minikube for local Kubernetes deployment simulates cloud environments ☁️, giving hands-on experience with real-world CI/CD practices while remaining fully local.