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Please explain the following YAML file line by line:

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## Build and Deploy Hugo Website to GitHub Pages
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## Author: Jérémie Lumbroso lumbroso@seas.upenn.edu
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## Date: 2024-02-24
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name: 🏗️ Build and Deploy GitHub Pages
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on:
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push:
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branches:
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- 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: "0.123.4"

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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Certainly! This YAML file is a GitHub Actions workflow for building and deploying a Hugo website to GitHub Pages. Let's go through it 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  
#####
```

These lines are comments providing metadata about the workflow, such as the purpose, author, and date.

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name: 🏗️ Build and Deploy GitHub Pages
```

This line sets the name of the workflow, which will be displayed in the GitHub Actions interface.

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on:  
  push:  
    branches:  
      - main # Set a branch to deploy
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This section specifies when the workflow should be triggered. In this case, the workflow will run whenever there is a push event to the **main** branch of the repository.

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jobs:
  deploy:
    runs-on: ubuntu-22.04
```


This section defines a job called **deploy** that will run on an Ubuntu 22.04 runner.

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steps:
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This line starts the list of steps that the job will execute.

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```
- 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
```

This step checks out the repository's code and fetches any submodules (e.g., Hugo themes) and the entire commit history.

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```
- name:  Initialize Hugo Environment
  uses: peaceiris/actions-hugo@v2.6.0
  with:
    hugo-version: "0.123.4"
    extended: true
```

This step sets up the Hugo environment by installing a specific version of Hugo (0.123.4) with the extended functionality enabled.

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```
- name: 🏗️ Compile Hugo Static Files
  run: hugo -D --gc --minify
```

This step runs the `hugo` command to compile the website's static files, using the `-D` flag to include draft content, `--gc` to perform garbage collection, and `--minify` to minify the output.

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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"
```

This step publishes the compiled website to the `gh-pages` branch of the repository, which is used by GitHub Pages to serve the website. It uses the `GITHUB_TOKEN` secret to authenticate with GitHub, and sets the commit author to a GitHub Actions bot.

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## NOTE: uncomment below if using a custom domain
## cname: mydomain.com
```

These commented lines provide a reminder to uncomment and set the `cname` parameter if you want to use a custom domain for your GitHub Pages website.

Overall, this workflow automates the process of building and deploying a Hugo website to GitHub Pages whenever changes are pushed to the `main` branch of the repository.



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Please explain the check out command a bit more. Why didn't this command work when my config file was not at the root level?

The `actions/checkout@v3.5.1` step in the workflow is responsible for checking out the repository's code from GitHub. This is a necessary step because the workflow runs in a fresh environment, and it needs access to the repository's files to perform actions like building the Hugo site.

When you mentioned that this command didn't work when your config file was not at the root level, it's likely because the checkout step, by default, checks out the repository's files at the root of the workflow's workspace directory.

If your Hugo configuration file (e.g., `config.toml`) or any other necessary files are located in a subdirectory of your repository, the checkout step alone won't be enough. You'll need to take additional steps to navigate to the correct directory within your workflow.

Here are a few ways you could address this:

1. **Use the `working-directory` option:** You can specify a subdirectory as the `working-directory` for the entire job or for specific steps. This way, the checkout happens in that subdirectory, and subsequent steps will run in that context.

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jobs:
  deploy:
    runs-on: ubuntu-22.04

    defaults:
      run:
        working-directory: path/to/subdirectory

    steps:
      # ... other steps
```

2. **Add a `cd` step:** After the checkout step, you can add a step that changes the current working directory to the desired subdirectory using the `cd` command.

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steps:
  - uses: actions/checkout@v3.5.1
  - run: cd path/to/subdirectory
  # ... other steps
```

3. **Use the `path` option in the checkout step:** The checkout step provides a `path` option that allows you to specify a subdirectory where the repository should be checked out.

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```
steps:
  - uses: actions/checkout@v3.5.1
    with:
      path: path/to/subdirectory
  # ... other steps
```

By taking one of these approaches, you can ensure that the workflow is executing in the correct directory context, where your Hugo configuration file and other necessary files are located.



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