Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment

Fundamentals and benefits of CI/CD to achieve, build, and deploy automation for cloud

based software products.

Continuous Integration (CI)

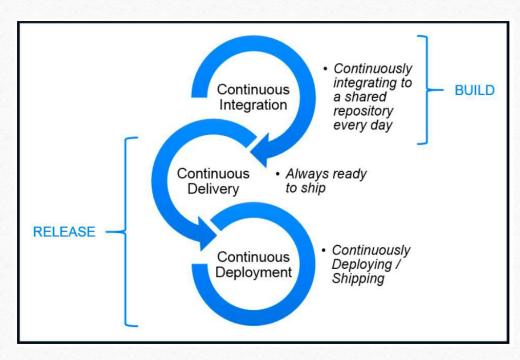
The practice of merging all developers' working copies to a shared mainline several times a day. It's the process of "Making". Everything related to the code fits here, and it all culminates in the ultimate goal of CI: a high quality, deployable artifact! Some common CI related phases might include:

- Compile
- Unit Test
- Static Analysis
- Dependency vulnerability testing
- Store artifact



Continuous Deployment (CD)

- A software engineering approach in which the value is delivered frequently through automated
- deployments. Everything related to deploying the artifact fits here. It's the process of "Moving"
- the artifact from the shelf to the spotlight. Some common CD related phases might include:
- Creating infrastructure
- Provisioning servers
- Copying files
- Promoting to production
- Smoke Testing (aka Verify)
- Rollbacks



Benefits of CI/CD

- 1. Reduce risk
- 2. Deliver faster
- 3. Expend less manual effort
- 4. Generate extensive logs
- 5. Make easier rollbacks
- 6. Better code quality

