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Use YAML files in Azure DevOps to manage the deployment of your solutions

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Why should you use
YAML? (or not)

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CI/CD Pipelines – YAML or Classic UI?

YAML



It is code stored in your repo



It is the CI/CD industry standard



Some features are missing compared to Classic UI (ex: gates)



You need to learn some basics to be operational

Classic UI



It is the user-friendly way with an easy onboarding



Here you have some features not available in YAML (ex: gates)



It is no longer the default option



It is more difficult to manage changes, collaboration

Conclusion there is not a perfect answer (for now).

Choose wisely based on your team and what you need to do!

How to start with YAML?






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Convert Classic UI Pipelines to YAML

Agent job 1
Run on agent

-  **Power Platform Tool Installer**
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-  **Power Platform Publish Customizations**
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-  **Power Platform Export Solution**
Power Platform Export Solution
-  **Power Platform Unpack Solution**
Power Platform Unpack Solution
-  **Commit Solution Files to Source Control**
Command line



Session Preparation / Pipelines/export-unpack-solution-yaml.yml

```
1 # Export and Unpack Solution -> YAML
2
3 trigger:
4   - master
5
6 pool:
7   - name: Azure Pipelines
8     vmImage: 'windows-2019'
9
10 variables:
11   - SolutionName: 'Test'
12
13 steps:
14   - task: microsoft-IsvExpTools.PowerPlatform-BuildTools.tool-installer.PowerPlatformToolInstaller@0
15     displayName: 'Power Platform Tool Installer'
16
17   Settings:
18   - task: microsoft-IsvExpTools.PowerPlatform-BuildTools.publish-customizations.PowerPlatformPublishCustomizations@0
19     displayName: 'Power Platform Publish Customizations'
20     inputs:
21       authenticationType: PowerPlatformSPN
22       PowerPlatformSPN: 'Production -- Default'
23
24   Settings:
25   - task: microsoft-IsvExpTools.PowerPlatform-BuildTools.export-solution.PowerPlatformExportSolution@0
26     displayName: 'Power Platform Export Solution'
27     inputs:
28       authenticationType: PowerPlatformSPN
29       PowerPlatformSPN: 'Production -- Default'
30       SolutionName: '${SolutionName}'
31       SolutionOutputFile: '${Build.ArtifactStagingDirectory}\${SolutionName}.zip'
32
33   Settings:
34   - task: microsoft-IsvExpTools.PowerPlatform-BuildTools.unpack-solution.PowerPlatformUnpackSolution@0
35     displayName: 'Power Platform Unpack Solution'
36     inputs:
37       SolutionInputFile: '${Build.ArtifactStagingDirectory}\${SolutionName}.zip'
38       SolutionTargetFolder: 'UnmanagedSolutions\Unpacked\${SolutionName}'
```

Tasks

- Power Platform Backup Environment
Power Platform Backup Environment
- Power Platform Checker
Analyze solutions using PowerApps Checker endp...
- Power Platform Copy Environment
Power Platform Copy Environment
- Power Platform Create Environment
Power Platform Create Environment
- Power Platform Delete Environment
Power Platform Delete Environment
- Power Platform Deploy Package
Power Platform Deploy Package
- Power Platform Export Solution
Power Platform Export Solution
- Power Platform Import Solution
Power Platform Import Solution
- Power Platform Pack Solution
Power Platform Pack Solution
- Power Platform Publish Customizations
Power Platform Publish Customizations
- Power Platform Reset Environment
Power Platform Reset Environment
- Power Platform Restore Environment
Power Platform Restore Environment

Create a YAML pipeline from scratch

The screenshot shows the 'Review your pipeline YAML' step in the Azure DevOps pipeline configuration process. The top navigation bar includes 'Connect', 'Select', 'Configure', and 'Review' (the active step). Below the navigation bar, the title 'Review your pipeline YAML' is displayed. The main area is divided into two panels. The left panel shows the YAML code for a pipeline named 'azure-pipelines.yml'. The code is as follows:

```
1 #YAML pipeline created manually
2
3 trigger:
4   - master
5
6 pool:
7   - name: Azure Pipelines
8     vmImage: 'windows-2019'
9
10 steps:
11   - task: PowerPlatformToolInstaller@0
12     inputs:
13       DefaultVersion: true
14
15
```

The right panel shows the configuration for the 'Power Platform Publish Customi...' task. It includes the following settings:

- Authentication type: ☒ Service Principal/client secret (supports MFA)
- Service connection: Production - Default

At the bottom right, there is an 'Add' button and a link to 'About this task'.

An example of CI/CD
strategy for solutions

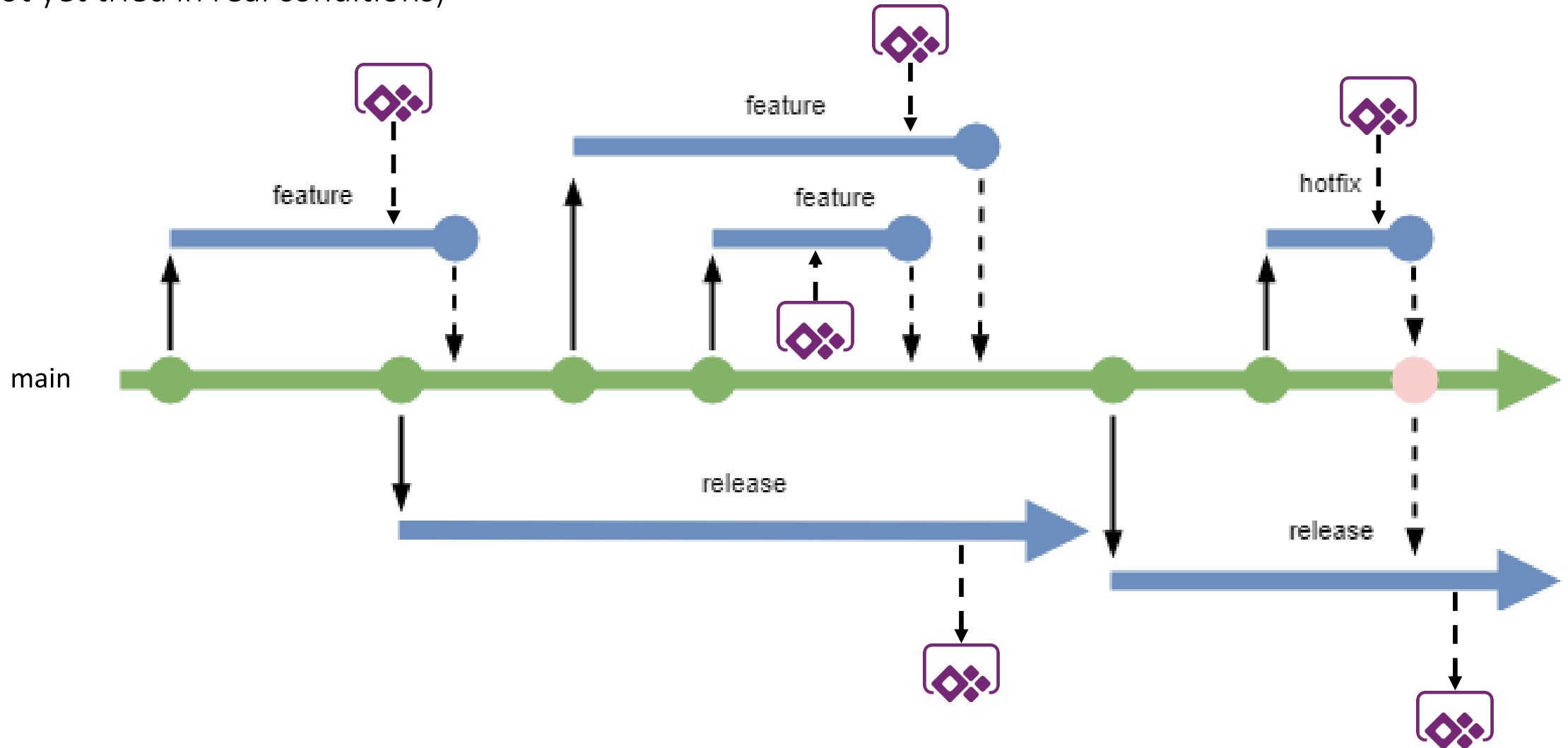
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An example of CI/CD strategy for solutions

(not yet tried in real conditions)



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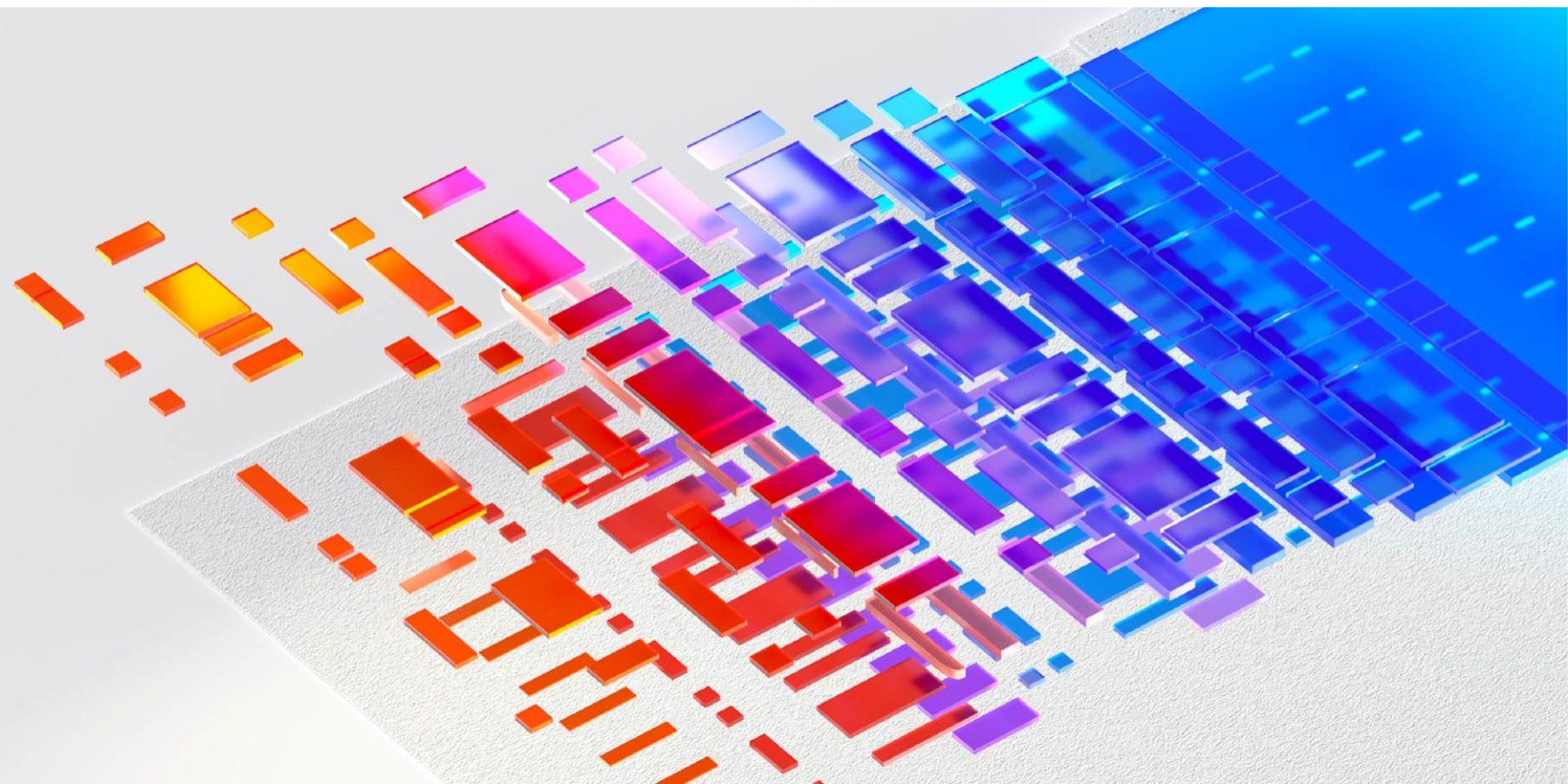
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