Continuous Integration, Continuous Delivery & Continuous Deployment

Introduction: To develop the UdaPeople product, a revolutionary concept in Human Resources which promises to help small businesses care better for their most valuable resource: their people.

Continuous Integration: Merging all Developer's developed code into code repository like GITLAB, Bitbucket.

- All developers will work on the development activity and will commit the code to the code repository to different feature branches. By doing so, we avoid integration challenges.
- The developer's changes are validated by creating a build running automated tests against the build. By this we avoid cost which results in finding the defects at earlier stage and "Less bugs in production and less time in testing".

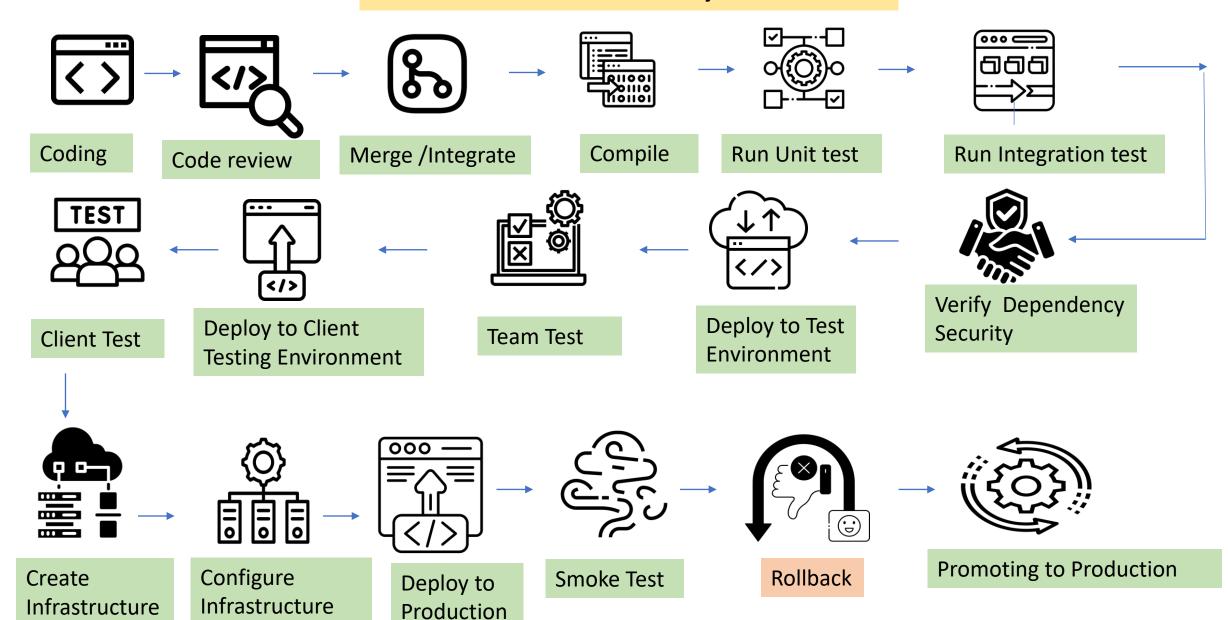
Continuous delivery:

• Continuous delivery is an extension of continuous integration since it automatically deploys all code changes to a testing and/or production environment after the build stage.

Continuous deployment

• Continuous deployment goes one step further than continuous delivery. With this practice, every change that passes all stages of your production pipeline is released to your customers. There's no human intervention, and only a failed test will prevent a new change to be deployed to production.

COMPLETE PICTURE OF CI/CD PROCESS



Benefits of CI/CD:

Less developer time on issues from new developer code:

For Continuous integration we need a source code repository where have all the developed code with history of changes or version of code, so that we wont lose any developed code with new features .we avoid integration challenges

Less bugs in production and less time in testing:

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❖ Prevent embarrassing or costly security holes:

Application Security plays an important role and running vulnerable test will prevent us form costly security holes.

❖ Less human error, Faster deployments:

creating infrastructure is the vital role in CI/CD, where we create an infrastructure to deploy the application where new feature is rolled for customers . Here without human intervention we can create infrastructure which is less human error and results in faster deployments

Less infrastructure costs from unused resources:

we can go with cloud where we pay for what we use. So that we can purchase servers based on the demand and load which will result in less infrastructure cost.

❖ New value-generating features released more quickly:

We can deploy and test the applications without human intervention where the new features are released to customers which will generate revenue. And take less time to market.

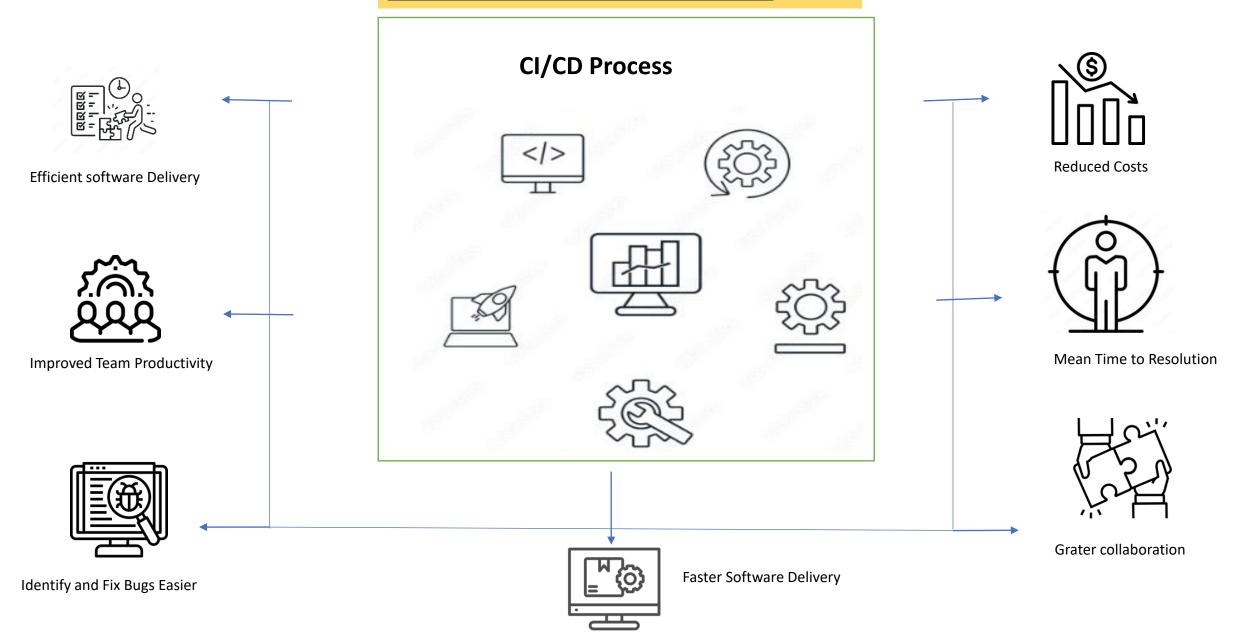
* Reduced downtime from a deploy-related crash or major bug:

smoke tests will help us to reduce the down time from deploying-related crashes or major but in the application which results to save project revenue

Quick undo to return production to working state:

If there is any failure in the production deployment we will go to previous version of production code base, so that the down time to customers are less which saves project revenue.

BUSINESS BENEFITS OF CI/CD



Removing *Human* Error

• Before we implement CI/CD almost everything requires human intervention. Can you imagine a world without human error? Neither can I, but with CI/CD, we can reduce it!

| Stage | Before CI/CD | After CI/CD |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Coding | Human | Human |
| Code Review | Human, Subjective, Inconsistent | Human/CI - Static Analysis |
| Compile/Lint | Human | CI |
| Merge/Integrate | Human | CI |
| Run Unit Tests | Human, Hit or Miss, Easily Bought Off with Pressure | CI |
| Run Integration Tests | Human, Hit or Miss, Easily Bought Off with Pressure | CI |
| Verify Dependency Security | Human, Often Not Done | CI |
| Deploy to Test Env | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps | CD |
| Team Test | Human, Time Consuming | CD - Automated Acceptance Tests |
| Deploy to Client Test Env | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps | CD |
| Client Test | Human, Often Unnecessary If Pre-Development Activities are On Point | Human - Maybe Not Needed If We Can Build Confidence |
| Create Infrastructure | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps, Stressful | CD |
| Deploy to Production | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps, Stressful | CD |
| Smoke Test in Prod | Human, Inconsistent | Automated Smoke Tests |
| Rollbacks | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps, Stressful | CD |
| Promoting Production | Human, Problematic, Missed Steps, Stressful | CD |
| Celebrate! | Human | Human |