Apache Airflow Setup

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1. Introduction

Apache Airflow allows you to schedule, monitor, and manage workflows with ease. Having it on your Windows PC can be a gamechanger for your data engineering and automation projects. In this guide, we will install Docker Desktop, set up Apache Airflow using Docker Compose, and create an Admin user to access the Airflow UI.

2. Prerequisites

1. Docker Desktop – Download and install:

https://www.docker.com/products/docker-desktop

2. Visual Studio Code (VS Code) - Download and install:

https://code.visualstudio.com/

3. Project Setup

Step 1: Download Airflow Docker Compose File

Download the official docker-compose.yaml file for Airflow:

curl -LfO 'https://airflow.apache.org/docs/apacheairflow/2.7.3/docker-compose.yaml'

Step 2: Create .env File Open VS Code and create a new file named .env.

Add the following lines:

AIRFLOW IMAGE NAME=apache/airflow:2.4.2

AIRFLOW_UID=50000

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.env
1    AIRFLOW_IMAGE_NAME=apache/airflow:2.4.2
2    AIRFLOW_UID=50000
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Step 3: Start Airflow Services Run the following command to start Airflow containers: docker-compose up -d

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Step 4: Create Admin User Run the following command to create an Admin user for Airflow: airflow users create \

- --username admin \
- --firstname First \
- --lastname Last \
- --role Admin \
- --email admin@example.com \
- --password admin

4. Access Apache Airflow UI

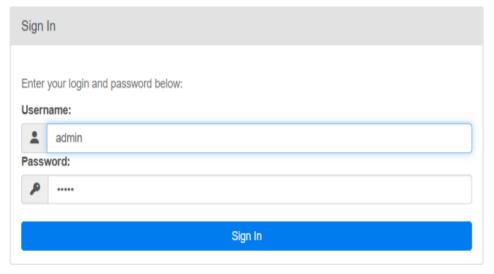
Open your browser and visit:

http://localhost:8080

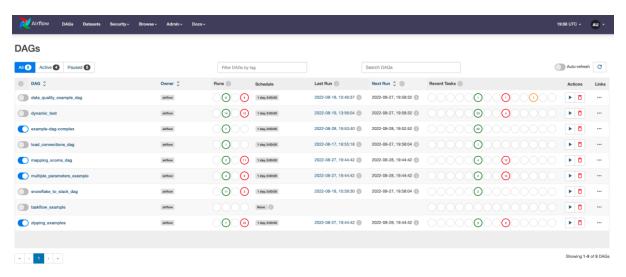
• Login with the credentials you created:

• Username: admin

• Password: admin



Airflow Dashboard with Example DAGs



5. Verify Running Containers

To check if services are running:

docker ps

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CONTAINER ID	IMAGE PORTS	COMMAND	CREATED NAMES	STATUS
bac708cc945c utes (healthy) rer-1	apache/airflow:2.7.3 8080/tcp	"/usr/bin/dumb-init"	2 minutes ago materilas-airfl	Up 2 min ow-trigge
b3ce3b64c57e utes (healthy) ver-1	•	"/usr/bin/dumb-init" cp, [::]:8080->8080/tcp	2 minutes ago materilas-airfl	
b1873ed22a72 utes (healthy) ler-1	apache/airflow:2.7.3 8080/tcp	"/usr/bin/dumb-init"	2 minutes ago materilas-airfl	
3f6bc1dc40b5 utes (healthy) -1	apache/airflow:2.7.3 8080/tcp	"/usr/bin/dumb-init"	2 minutes ago materilas-airfl	
ece340f0885f utes (healthy)	redis:latest 6379/tcp	"docker-entrypoint.s"	5 minutes ago materilas-redis	
56660a0a857c utes (healthy)	postgres:13 5432/tcp	"docker-entrypoint.s"	5 minutes ago materilas-postg	

6. Conclusion

You have successfully installed Apache Airflow on Windows using Docker. Now you can:

- Add custom DAGs to the dags/ folder.
- Schedule, run, and monitor workflows from the Airflow UI.