Take-home messages from each training day

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Recap of Day 1

1. `SessionBasedScript` is the "engine" to run GC3Pie workflows and task collections.

2. A script must be fed a list of tasks to execute by the `new_tasks()` method.

3. GC3Pie code runs unmodified on different computational resources.

Recap of Day 2

1. Utility commands `gsession` and `ginfo` help inspect a running session. To debug problems, start with running the session-based script with maximum verbosity: `--verbose --verbose --verbose`

2. Command-line argument and option processing is defined through methods `setup_args` and `setup_options` of the `SessionBasedScript`

3. Use `requested_cores`, `requested_memory`, `requested_walltime` to specify environmental requirements of each task.

Recap of Day 3

1. Post-processing can be done:
   - in the `terminated()` method of the `Application` (or `Task`) class, or
   - globally in the `after_main_loop()` method of the `SessionBasedScript` class.
2. Exit code and termination status inspection.

Recap of Day 4

1. Applications can be composed into workflows using "task collections":
   - `SequentialTaskCollection` is for a series of tasks that should be executed *in the order given*
   - `ParallelTaskCollection` is for tasks with no inter-dependency (so, all potentially running at the same time)

2. task collections are tasks themselves, so collections can be nested to create any kind of directed graph

3. `StagedTaskCollection` is for creating processing pipelines where all the steps are *known before runtime*

Recap of Day 5

- `ParallelTaskCollection` is for sets of tasks that can all execute in parallel — with no inter-dependency or communication.

- `DependentTaskCollection` is for tasks whose dependencies are known before runtime

- The `next()` method of `SequentialTaskCollection` can be used to create "dynamic" sequences that change while running.

...and after the course?

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