

Pipeline:

It is a workflow that defines how our **test, build, and deployment** steps are run.



Azure Pipelines: Develop, test and deploy CI/CD workflows that are compatible with any language, platform, and cloud. Automating builds and deployments with pipelines can save time, giving scope for innovation

Azure DevOps Pipeline key concepts

Stage

Stage: Each stage contains one or more jobs.

Job

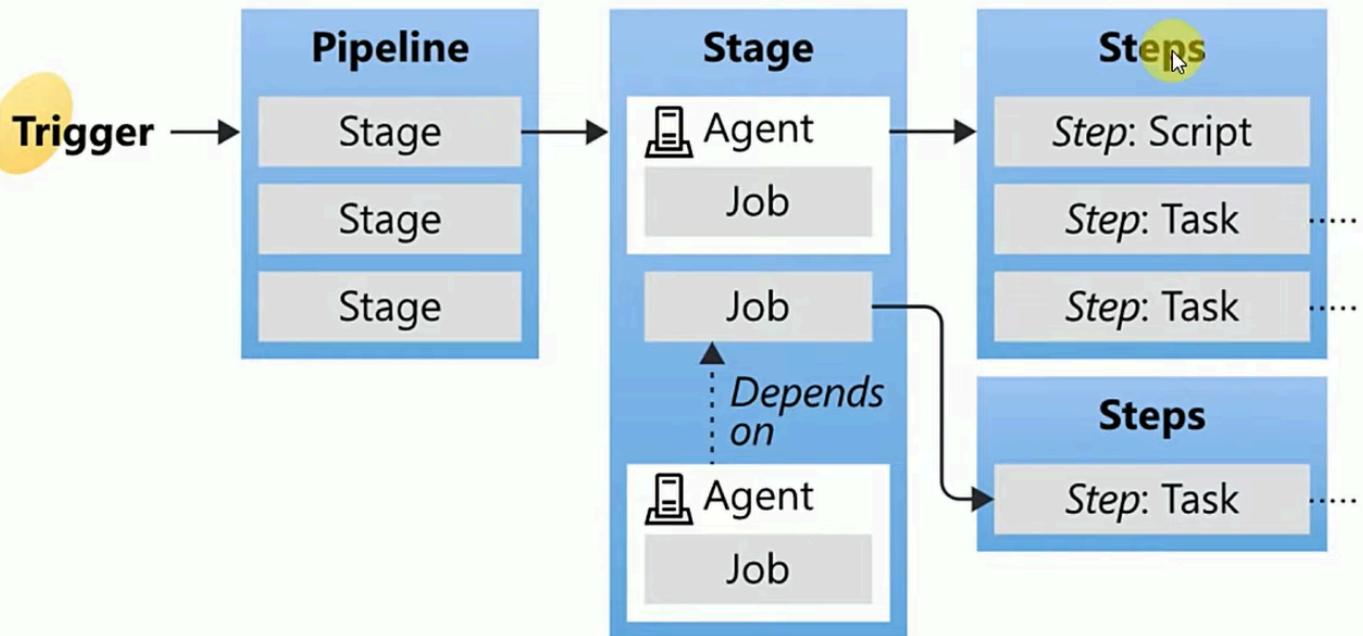
Job: A stage can contain one or more jobs. Each job runs on an agent. It represents an execution boundary of a set of steps.

Step

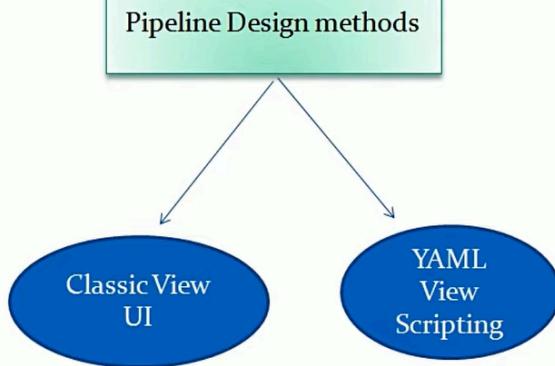
Step: It is the **smallest** building block of a pipeline.

Script

Agent and Agent pools: An agent is an installable software that runs one job at a time.



Pipeline Design methods



Create and configure pipelines in the Azure DevOps web portal with the [Classic user interface editor](#)

✓ Edit your [azure-pipelines.yml](#) file to define your build.



YAML Basic understanding

Define build and release pipelines using YAML (YAML Ain't Markup Language)

YAML build definitions can be added to a project by simply adding their source file .yaml to the root of the repository

YAML is a human-readable language. It is commonly used for configuration files.

1. YAML is case sensitive language
2. YAML files have .yaml as the extension
3. YAML spaces are allowed

Basic about YAML

Block format uses **hyphen+space** to begin a new item in a specified list

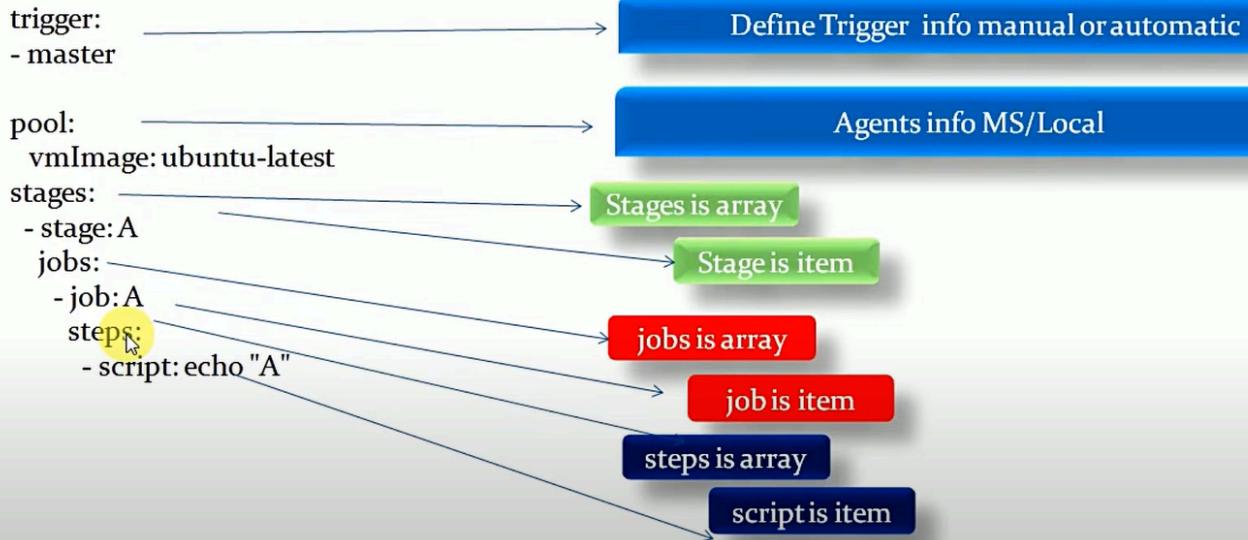
- India
- US
- UK

4. Comments in YAML begins with the (#) character.

5. Associative arrays are represented using colon (:)

6. Block sequences in collections indicate each entry with a **dash and space** (-).

Create and understand your first YAML pipeline Schema



Review your pipeline YAML

Variables

Save and run

Show assistant

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```
1 trigger:  
2 - master  
3  
4 pool:  
5   vmImage: ubuntu-latest  
6  
7 stages:  
8   - stage: A  
9     jobs:  
10       - job: Ajob  
11         steps:  
12           - script: echo "Ascrpti"  
13
```

What are stages and how to add

Stages are the major divisions in a pipeline: "build", "run tests", and "deploy" to pre-production" are good examples of stages.

Every pipeline has **at least one stage** even if you do not explicitly define it.

You can also arrange stages into a dependency graph so that one stage runs before another one. There is a limit of **256 jobs for a stage**.

You can directly specify the jobs in your YAML file.

YAML

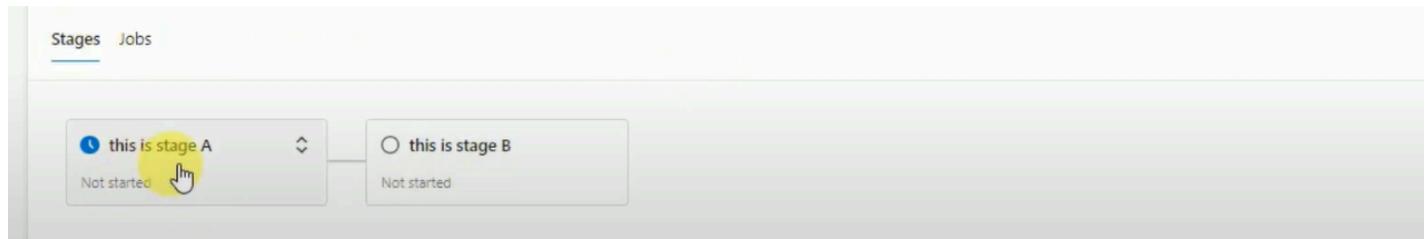
```
# this has one implicit stage and one implicit job
pool:
  vmImage: 'ubuntu-latest'
steps:
- bash: echo "Hello world"
```

The full syntax to specify a stage is:

YAML

```
stages:
- stage: string # name of the stage, A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and underscore
  displayName: string # friendly name to display in the UI
  dependsOn: string | [ string ]
  condition: string
  pool: string | pool
  variables: { string: string } | [ variable | variableReference ]
  jobs: [ job | templateReference ]
```

```
1
2 pool:
3   vmImage: ubuntu-latest
4
5 stages:
6   - stage: stageA
7     displayName: "this is stage A"
8     jobs:
9       - job: jobA
10    - stage: stageB
11      displayName: "this is stage B"
12      jobs:
13        - job: jobB
14
```



How to define Multiple stages

Your pipeline may have multiple stages, each with multiple jobs. If you organize your pipeline into multiple stages, you use the **stages** keyword.

```
stages:
- stage: A
  jobs:
    - job: A1
    - job: A2

- stage: B
  jobs:
    - job: B1
    - job: B2
```

If you choose to specify a pool at the stage level, then all jobs defined in that stage will use that pool unless otherwise specified at the job-level.

```
stages:  
- stage: A  
  pool: StageAPool  
  jobs:  
    - job: A1 # will run on "StageAPool" pool based on the pool defined  
    - job: A2 # will run on "JobPool" pool  
      pool: JobPool
```

```
1  
2   pool:  
3     | vmImage: ubuntu-latest  
4  
5   stages:  
6     |-- stage: stageA  
7       |   displayName: "this is stage A"  
8       |   jobs:  
9         |         - job: jobA  
10  
11     |-- stage: stageB  
12       |   displayName: "this is stage B"  
13       |   jobs:  
14         |         - job: jobB  
15  
16     |-- stage: stageC  
17       |   displayName: "this is stage C"  
18       |   jobs:  
19         |         - job: jobC  
20  
21     |-- stage: stageD  
22       |   displayName: "this is stage D"  
23       |   jobs:  
24         |         - job: jobD  
25  
26
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4 stages:  
5   - stage: stageA  
6     pool:  
7       vmImage: ubuntu-latest  
8       displayName: "this is stage A"  
9     jobs:  
10    - job: jobA  
11    - job: JobB  
12      displayName: "JobB is running on window machine"  
13      pool:  
14        vmImage: windows-latest  
15  
16
```

The screenshot shows the Azure Pipelines interface with two stages: stageA and stageB.

stageA:

- pool:
 - vmImage: ubuntu-latest
 - displayName: "this is stage A"
- jobs:
 - jobA
 - JobB
 - displayName: "JobB is running on window machine"
 - pool:
 - vmImage: windows-latest

stageB:

- pool:
 - vmImage: windows-latest
- jobs:
 - JobC
 - displayName: "JobC is running on windows machine"
 - pool:
 - vmImage: windows-latest

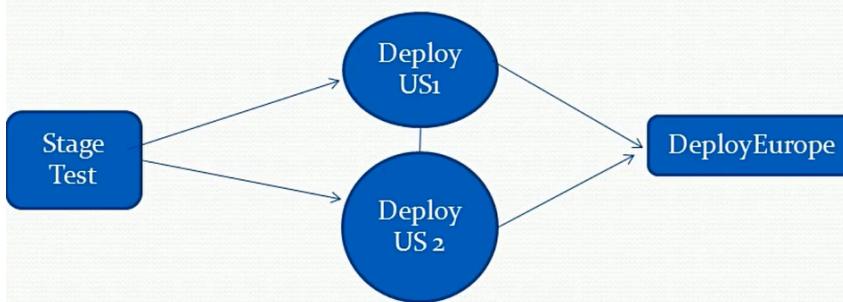
How to run stages and jobs parallel

Example stages that run parallel:

Method 1- with dependsOn

```
YAML Copy  
  
stages:  
- stage: FunctionalTest  
  jobs:  
    - job:  
      ...  
  
- stage: AcceptanceTest  
  dependsOn: [] # this removes the implicit dependency on previous stage  
  jobs:  
    - job:  
      ...
```

Example 2



```
YAML Copy  
  
stages:  
- stage: Test  
  
- stage: DeployUS1  
  dependsOn: Test # this stage runs after Test  
  
- stage: DeployUS2  
  dependsOn: Test # this stage runs in parallel with DeployUS1, after Test  
  
- stage: DeployEurope  
  dependsOn: DeployUS1, DeployUS2 # this stage runs after DeployUS1 and DeployUS2
```

```
1
2 pool:
3   - vmImage: ubuntu-latest
4
5 stages:
6   - stage: Stage1
7     jobs:
8       - job: Job1
9
10  - stage: Stage2
11    dependsOn: Stage1
12    jobs:
13      - job: Job2
14
15  - stage: Stage3
16    dependsOn: Stage1
17    jobs:
18      - job: Job3
19
20  - stage: Stage4
21    dependsOn:
22      - Stage2
23      - Stage3
24    jobs:
25      - job: Job4
```



```
1
2
3
4 stages:
5   - stage: Stage1
6     pool:
7       - vmImage: ubuntu-latest
8     jobs:
9       - job: Job1
10
11  - stage: Stage2
12    dependsOn: []
13    pool:
14      - vmImage: windows-latest
15    jobs:
16      - job: Job2
17
```

Stages Jobs

Stage1
Not started

Stage2
Not started

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← Jobs in run #20221117.7
test (5)

Stage1

Job1

Stage2

Job2

Job1

```
1 Pool: Azure_Pipelines
2 Image: ubuntu-latest
3 Queued: Just now [manage_parallel_jobs]
4
5 The agent request is not running because all potential agents are running other requests. Current position in queue: 1
6 ▶ Job preparation parameters
```

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← Jobs in run #20221117.7
test (5)

Stage1

Job1

Stage2

Job2

Job1

```
1 Pool: Azure_Pipelines
2 Image: ubuntu-latest
3 Queued: Just now [manage_parallel_jobs]
4
5 The agent request is not running because all potential agents are running other requests. Current position in queue: 13
6 ▶ Job preparation parameters
```

How to add Conditions and dependency between stages

You can customize this behaviour by forcing a stage to run even if a previous stage fails or by specifying a custom condition.

You can specify the conditions under which each stage runs.

Example to run a stage based upon the status of running a previous stage:

YAML

```
stages:
- stage: A

# stage B runs if A fails
- stage: B
  condition: failed()

# stage C runs if B succeeds
- stage: C
  dependsOn:
    - A
    - B
  condition: succeeded('B')
```

Job and Types of jobs

Jobs can be of different types, depending on where they run.

Agent pool jobs run on an agent in an agent pool.

Server jobs run on the Azure DevOps Server.

Container jobs run in a container on an agent in an agent pool.

DEFINITION

A job is a series of steps that run sequentially as a unit. In other words, a job is the smallest unit of work that can be scheduled to run.

This YAML file has a job that runs on a Microsoft-hosted agent and outputs Hello world.

YAML

```
pool:  
  vmImage: 'ubuntu-latest'  
steps:  
- bash: echo "Hello world"
```

Pipeline Single Jobs

A pipeline has a single job

You may want to specify additional properties on that job. In that case, you can use the **job keyword**.

```
jobs:  
- job: myJob  
  timeoutInMinutes:10  
  pool:  
    vmImage: 'ubuntu-latest'  
  steps:  
    - bash: echo "Hello world"
```

YAML pipeline multi jobs

You can directly specify the jobs in your YAML file.

Your pipeline may have multiple jobs. In that case, use the `jobs` keyword.

```
# this pipeline has one implicit stage
jobs:
- job: A
  steps:
  - bash: echo "A"

- job: B
  steps:
  - bash: echo "B"
```

How to create and run First deployment job using YAML pipeline in Azure DevOps |

```
⚡ BDDRepo / azure-pipelines-13.yml * ➜
1
2   trigger: none
3
4   pool:
5     vmImage: ubuntu-latest
6   stages:
7     - stage: Deploy
8       jobs:
9         - deployment: Test
10           environment: Test
11             strategy:
12               runOnce:
13                 deploy:
14                   steps:
15                     - checkout: self
16                     - script: echo "This is my first deployment job demo"
17
18
```

Summary Environments Code Coverage

Triggered by A a2learners4

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Repository and version
A2Learners
main af0bfef5

Time started and elapsed
Today at 1:27 PM
19s

Related
0 work items
0 artifacts

Tests and coverage
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Jobs

Name	Status	Duration
Test	Success	11s

Summary Environments **Code Coverage**

Test

Jobs	Resource	Duration
Test		11s

Pipeline Task types

A task performs an action in a pipeline. A task is simply a procedure with a set of inputs.

Custom and Built in tasks

In YAML, you specify the major version using @ in the task name.

For example, version 2 of the PublishTestResults task is defined below

The screenshot shows the Azure Pipelines YAML editor interface. On the left, there is a code editor window with the word "YAML" at the top. Inside the editor, the following YAML code is shown:

```
steps:
- task: PublishTestResults@2
```

To the right of the editor is a sidebar titled "Pipeline tasks" which contains a "Task index" section and several other sections: Build tasks, Utility tasks, Test tasks, Package tasks, Deploy tasks, and Tool tasks.

Task control options

Control options are available as keys on the `task` section.

In this YAML, `PublishTestResults@2` will run even if the previous step fails because of the `succeededOrFailed()` condition.

The screenshot shows two side-by-side code editor windows. Both windows have "YAML" at the top and a "Copy" button at the top right.

The left window displays the following YAML code:

```
- task: string # reference to a task and version, e.g. "VSBuild@1"
  condition: expression # see below
  continueOnError: boolean # 'true' if future steps should run even if this step fails
  enabled: boolean # whether or not to run this step; defaults to 'true'
  retryCountOnTaskFailure: number # Max number of retries; default is zero
  timeoutInMinutes: number # how long to wait before timing out the task
  target: string # 'host' or the name of a container resource to target
```

The word "condition" is highlighted with a yellow circle and a cursor is hovering over it.

The right window displays a more complex YAML configuration:

```
steps:
- task: UsePythonVersion@0
  inputs:
    versionSpec: '3.7'
    architecture: 'x64'
- task: PublishTestResults@2
  inputs:
    testResultsFiles: "**/TEST-*.xml"
  condition: succeededOrFailed()
```

Pipelines

The screenshot shows the Azure Pipelines pipeline list interface. At the top, there are buttons for "Recent", "All", and "Runs", with "All" being the selected tab. There is also a "New pipeline" button and a "Filter pipelines" search bar.

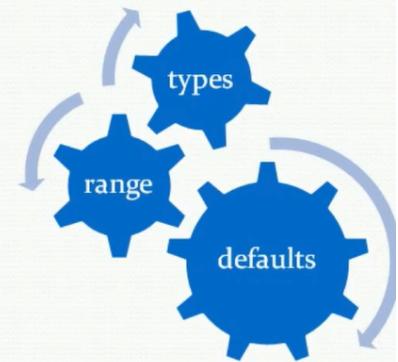
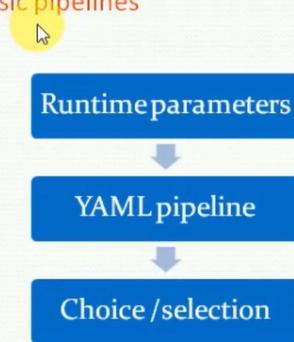
The main area is titled "All pipelines" and contains a table with the following data:

Name	Created	Last Run
Build	#20240615.1	Update deploymentJob.yml for Azure Pipelines
DemoPipelines		
Deployment	#20240615.2	Update deploymentJob.yml for Azure Pipelines

Runtime parameters in YAML pipeline

With runtime parameters :

1. Supply different values to scripts and tasks at runtime
2. Control parameter types, ranges allowed, and defaults
3. Dynamically select jobs and stages with template expressions
4. Runtime parameters does not apply to classic pipelines



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Define parameters in YAML pipeline

How to Define parameters :

1. Parameters must contain a name and data type.
2. Parameters cannot be optional.
3. A default value needs to be assigned in YAML file or when we run pipeline. If we do not assign a default value or set default to false, the first available value will be used.
4. The parameters section in a YAML defines what parameters are available.

How to access parameters :

1. Parameters are accessed just before the pipeline runs so that values surrounded by \${{} } are replaced with parameter values.

```
${{parameters.image}} #Template expression at runtime
```

```
parameters:  
  - name: image  
    displayName: Poolimage  
    default: macOS-latest  
    type: string  
    values:  
      - windows-latest  
      - ubuntu-latest
```



Types of trigger-

