

Dapr Introduction

This sample introduces Dapr and how to use it to build microservices and is based on the [Dapr quickstarts](#). It contains two projects:

- **food-dapr-backend** - A .NET Core Web API project that uses Entity Framework and Dapr to store and retrieve food orders.
- **food-dapr-frontend** - An MVC project that uses Dapr to call the backend API.

Dapr configuration is stored in the **components** folder and contains the following files:

- **statestore.yaml** - Configures the state store to use Azure Blob Storage.

Readings

[Dapr CLI](#)

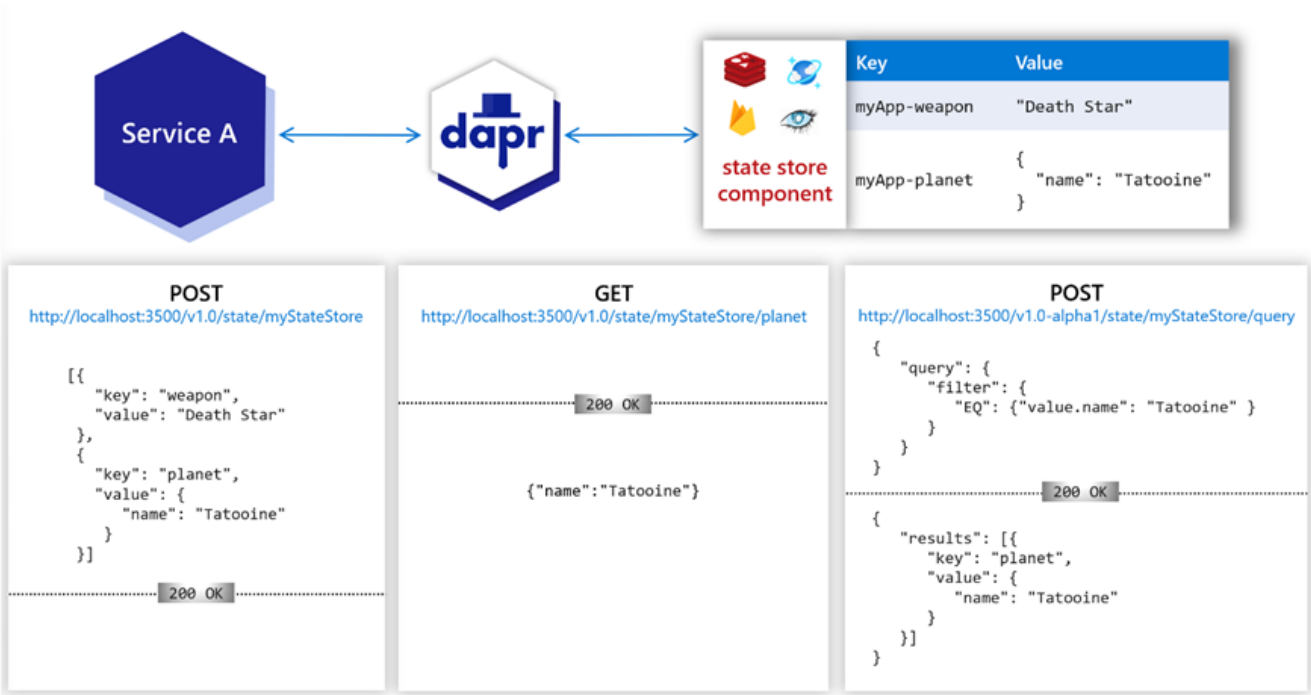
[Dapr Visual Studio Code extension](#)

[Developing Dapr applications with Dev Containers](#)

Getting started, Basic State & Deployment to Azure Container Apps

Note: This demo assumes that you have created an Azure Container Apps environment. If you haven't done so, please follow the [instructions](#) to create one.

Getting started & Basic State



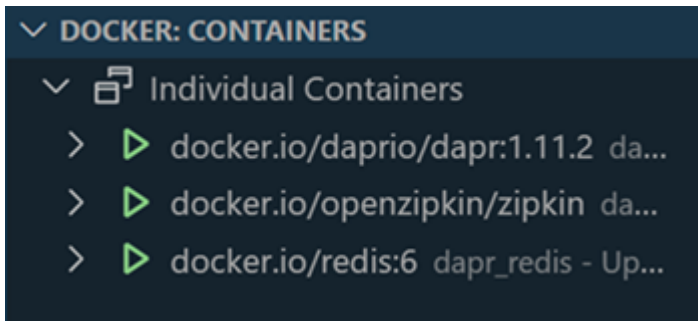
- Install Dapr CLI

```
Set-ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned -scope CurrentUser
powershell -Command "iwr -useb
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dapr/cli/master/install/install.ps1 | iex"
```

Note: Restart the terminal after installing the Dapr CLI

- Initialize default Dapr containers and check running containers:

```
dapr init
```



Note: To remove the default Dapr containers run `dapr uninstall`

- Run project `food-dapr-backend`

```
cd food-dapr-backend
dapr run --app-id food-backend --app-port 5001 --dapr-http-port 5010 dotnet
run --launch-profile https
```

- Test the API by invoking `http://localhost:5000/food` using the dapr sidecar:

```
GET http://localhost:<dapr-http-port>/v1.0/invoke/<app-id>/method/<method-
name>
GET http://localhost:5010/v1.0/invoke/food-backend/method/food
```

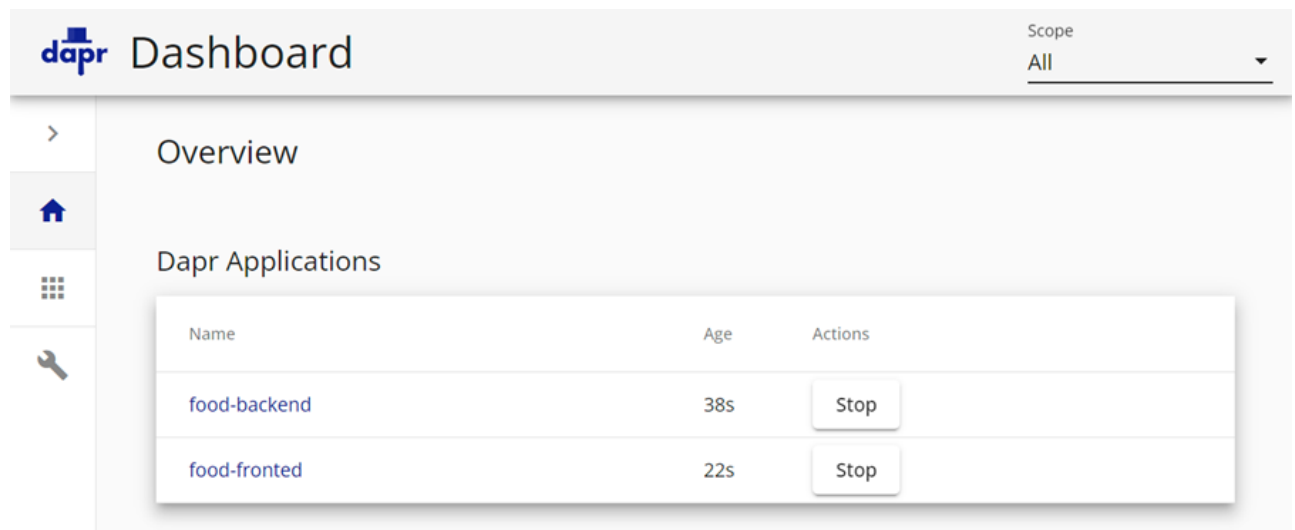
- Run project `food-dapr-fronted`

```
cd food-dapr-fronted
dapr run --app-id food-fronted --app-port 5002 --dapr-http-port 5011 dotnet
run
```

- Show Dapr Dashboard

```
dapr dashboard
```

- Examine Dapr Dashboard on <http://localhost:8080>:



Running with Tye

- Install [Tye](#). Project Tye is an experimental developer tool that makes developing, testing, and deploying microservices and distributed applications easier

```
dotnet tool install -g Microsoft.Tye --version "0.11.0-alpha.22111.1"
```

- A typical tye file could look like this:

```
name: dapr-services
services:
- name: food-dapr-backend
project: food-dapr-backend/food-dapr-backend.csproj
bindings:
- port: 5000
- name: food-dapr-frontend
project: food-dapr-frontend/food-dapr-frontend.csproj
bindings:
- port: 5002
```

- Create a `tye.yaml` file in the root of the solution by running:

```
tye init
```

Note: You can skip this step as the `tye.yaml` file is already included in the solution.

- Run the two projects with Tye

```
tye run
```

The screenshot shows the Tye Dashboard interface. At the top, there's a header with the Tye logo and 'Tye Dashboard' text, along with buttons for 'Tell us what you think!' and 'About'. Below the header is a sidebar with a 'Home' button. The main area is titled 'Services' and contains a table with the following data:

| Name | Type | Source | Bindings | Replicas | Restarts | Logs |
|--------------------|---------|---|--|----------|----------|----------------------|
| food-dapr-backend | Project | E:\git-classes\az-native\demos\08-dapr\01-dapr-intro\food-dapr-backend\food-dapr-backend.csproj | http://localhost:59079 https://localhost:59080 | 1/1 | 0 | View |
| food-dapr-frontend | Project | E:\git-classes\az-native\demos\08-dapr\01-dapr-intro\food-dapr-frontend\food-dapr-frontend.csproj | http://localhost:59081 https://localhost:59082 | 1/1 | 0 | View |

Using Default State Store

- Examine `CountController.cs` and call it multiple times to increment the counter:

```
[HttpGet("getCount")]
public async Task<int> Get()
{
    var daprClient = new DaprClientBuilder().Build();
    var counter = await daprClient.GetStateAsync<int>(storeName, key);
    await daprClient.SaveStateAsync(storeName, key, counter + 1);
    return counter;
}
```

- Examine the `Dapr Attach` config in `launch.json` and use it to attach the debugger to the `food-dapr-backend` process and debug the state store code:

```
{
  "name": "Dapr Attach",
  "type": "coreclr",
  "request": "attach",
  "processId": "${command:pickProcess}"
}
```

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface. The 'RUN AND DEBUG' view is active, showing a list of processes. A red box highlights the 'food' process, which is the 'food-dapr-backend.exe' process. A red arrow points to the 'Dapr Attach' configuration in the 'RUN AND DEBUG' view. The process list shows the following details for the 'food' process:

- Process Name: food
- Process ID: 2104
- Path: "E:\git-classes\az-native\demos\08-dapr\01-dapr-intro\food-dapr-backend\bin\Debug\net6.0\food-dapr-backend.exe"
- Command: "C:\dapr\dapr.exe" run --app-id food-backend --app-port 5001 --dapr-http-port 5010 dotnet run
- Process ID: 37868
- Path: C:\Users\AlexanderPajer\dapr\bin\daprd.exe --config C:\Users\AlexanderPajer\dapr\config.yaml ...

Deploy to Azure Container Apps

- Build the food-dapr-backend image

```
env=dev
grp=az-native-$env
loc=westeurope
acr=aznative$env
imgBackend=food-dapr-backend:v1
az acr build --image $imgBackend --registry $acr --file dockerfile .
```

- Create a storage account to be used as state store

```
stg=aznative$env
az storage account create -n $stg -g $grp -l $loc --sku Standard_LRS
```

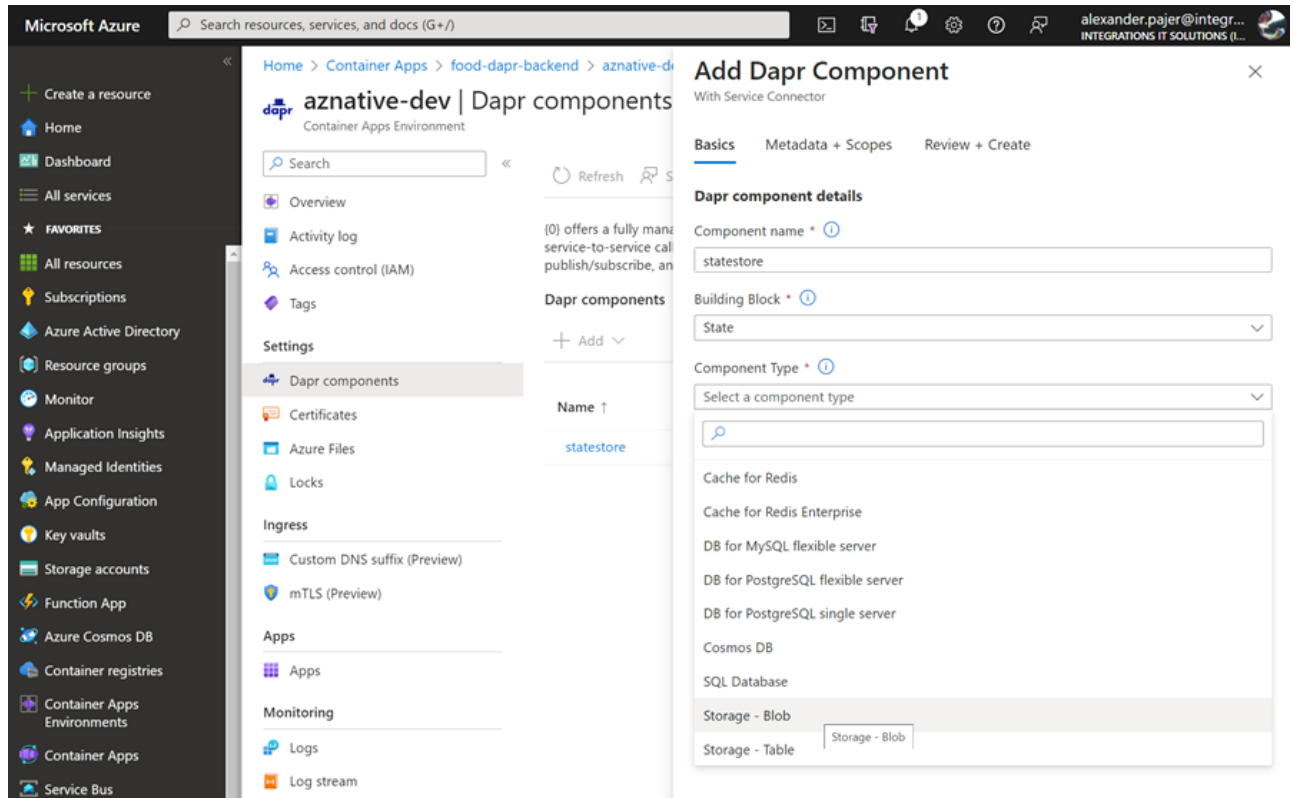
- Update its values in `components/statestore.yml`

```
apiVersion: dapr.io/v1alpha1
kind: Component
metadata:
  name: statestore
spec:
  type: state.azure.blobstorage
  metadata:
    - name: storageAccount
      value: aznative$env
    - name: storageAccessKey
      value: <storage-account-key>
```

- Add the Dapr component to the Azure Container Apps environment

```
az containerapp env dapr-component set -n $acaenv -g $grp \
--dapr-component-name statestore \
--yaml './components/statestore.yml'
```

Note. In Azure Portal you can see the Dapr component in the Azure Container Apps environment:



- Execute `deploy-app.azcli` to create the container app

```
az containerapp create -n $appBackend -g $grp \
--image $imgBackend \
--environment $acaenv \
--target-port 80 --ingress external \
--min-replicas 0 --max-replicas 1 \
--enable-dapr \
--dapr-app-port 80 \
--dapr-app-id $appBackend \
--registry-server $loginSrv \
--registry-username $acr \
--registry-password $pwd
```

- Execute the `/count/getCount` method multiple times to increment the counter

```
curl -X GET "http://<URL>.$loc.azurecontainer.io/count/getCount" -H
"accept: text/plain"
```

- Examine the storage account to see the state store data

food-dapr-backend

Container

Search

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Overview

Diagnose and solve problems

Access Control (IAM)

Settings

Shared access tokens

Access policy

Properties

Metadata

Upload

Change access level

Refresh

Delete

Change tier

Acquire lease

...


Authentication method: Access key (Switch to Azure AD User Account)

Location: food-dapr-backend

Search blobs by prefix (case-sensitive)

Show deleted blobs

Add filter

| Name | Modified | Access tier | Archive status |
|--|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>  counter | 1.9.2023, 21:29:39 | Hot (Inferred) | |

A red arrow pointing from the top right towards the 'counter' entry in the table.

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