## Exit handlers

An exit handler is a template that *always* executes, irrespective of success or failure, at the end of the workflow.

Some common use cases of exit handlers are:

- cleaning up after a workflow runs
- sending notifications of workflow status (e.g., e-mail/Slack)
- posting the pass/fail status to a web-hook result (e.g. GitHub build result)
- resubmitting or submitting another workflow

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apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
 generateName: exit-handlers-
 namespace: argo
spec:
 entrypoint: intentional-fail
  serviceAccountName: training
 onExit: exit-handler
                                        # invoke exit-handler template at end
of the workflow
 templates:
 # primary workflow template
  - name: intentional-fail
    container:
      image: alpine:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["echo intentional failure; exit 1"]
 # Exit handler templates
 # After the completion of the entrypoint template, the status of the
 # workflow is made available in the global variable {{workflow.status}}.
 # {{workflow.status}} will be one of: Succeeded, Failed, Error
  - name: exit-handler
    steps:
    - - name: notify
        template: send-email
      - name: celebrate
        template: celebrate
        when: "{{workflow.status}} == Succeeded"
      - name: cry
        template: cry
        when: "{{workflow.status}} != Succeeded"
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- name: send-email
    container:
      image: alpine:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["echo send e-mail: {{workflow.name}} {{workflow.status}}
{{workflow.duration}}"]
  - name: celebrate
    container:
      image: alpine:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["echo hooray!"]
  - name: cry
    container:
      image: alpine:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["echo boohoo!"]
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# This example demonstrates the use of retry back offs
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
 generateName: retry-backoff-
 namespace: argo
spec:
 entrypoint: retry-backoff
 serviceAccountName: training
 templates:
  - name: retry-backoff
    retryStrategy:
      limit: 10
      retryPolicy: "Always"
      backoff:
        duration: "1"
                           # Must be a string. Default unit is seconds. Could
also be a Duration, e.g.: "2m", "6h", "1d"
        factor: 2
        maxDuration: "1m" # Must be a string. Default unit is seconds. Could
also be a Duration, e.g.: "2m", "6h", "1d"
      affinity:
        nodeAntiAffinity: {}
    container:
      image: python:alpine3.6
      command: ["python", -c]
      # fail with a 66% probability
      args: ["import random; import sys; exit_code = random.choice([0, 1, 1]);
sys.exit(exit_code)"]
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