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Azure Container App Dapr Workflow

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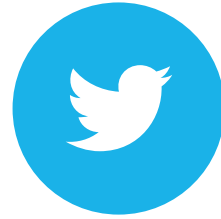


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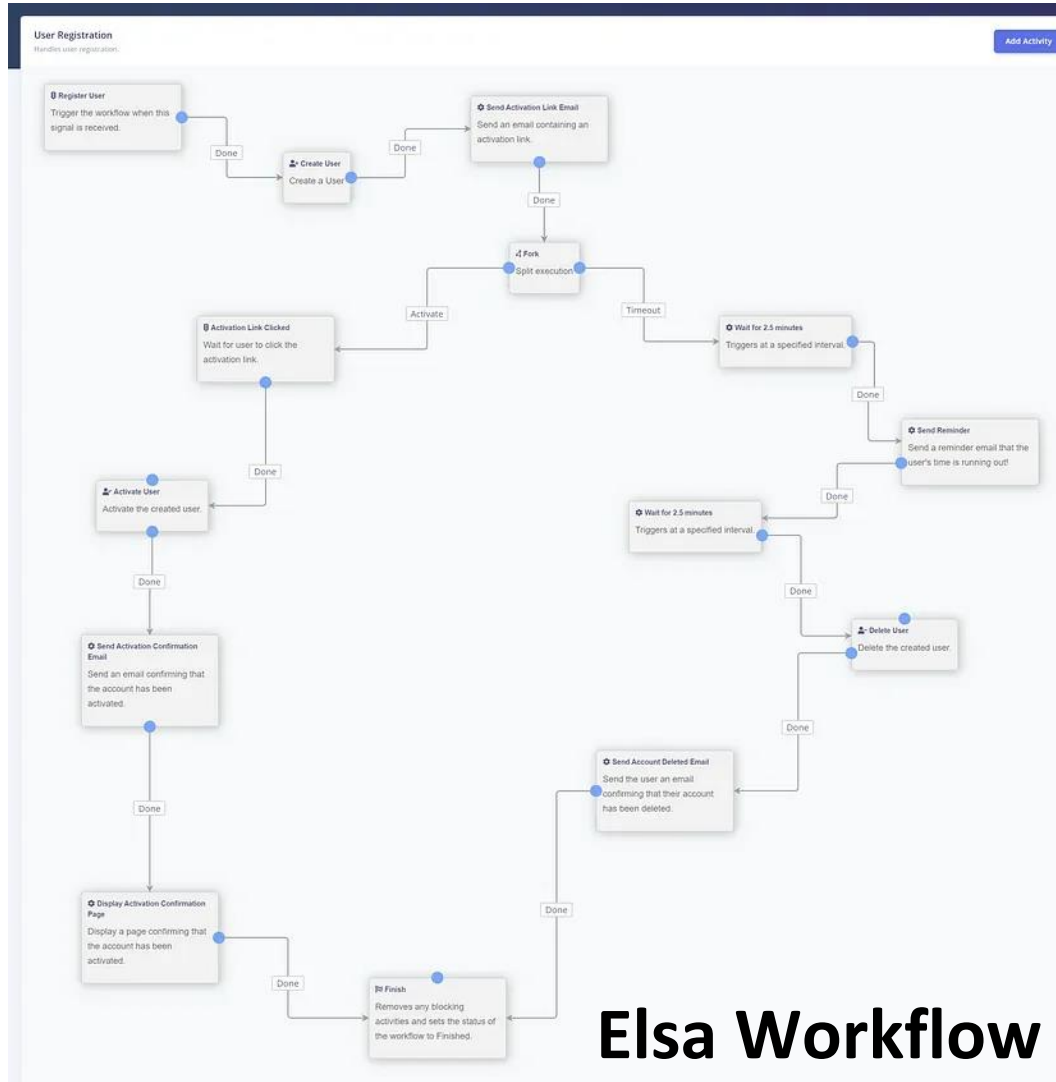


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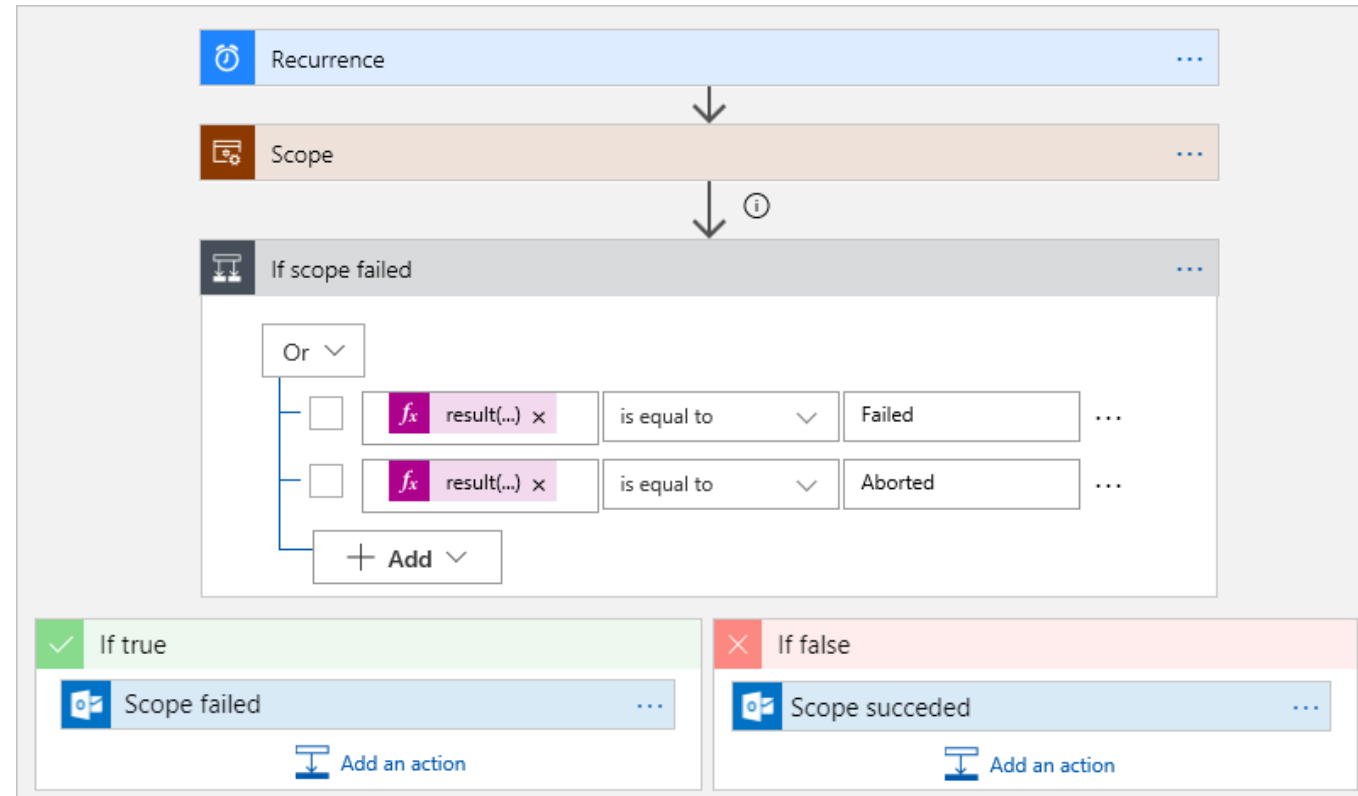




What kind of workflow?



Azure Logic Apps





Have you lost interest?

```
public class ChainingWorkflow : Workflow<string, string>
{
    public override async Task<string> RunAsync(WorkflowContext context, string input)
    {
        var message1 = await context.CallActivityAsync<string>(
            nameof(CreateGreetingActivity),
            input);

        var message2 = await context.CallActivityAsync<string>(
            nameof(CreateGreetingActivity),
            message1);

        var message3 = await context.CallActivityAsync<string>(
            nameof(CreateGreetingActivity),
            message2);

        return message3;
    }
}
```



How does it work?



Workflow definition

Register
workflow &
activities



Workflow engine

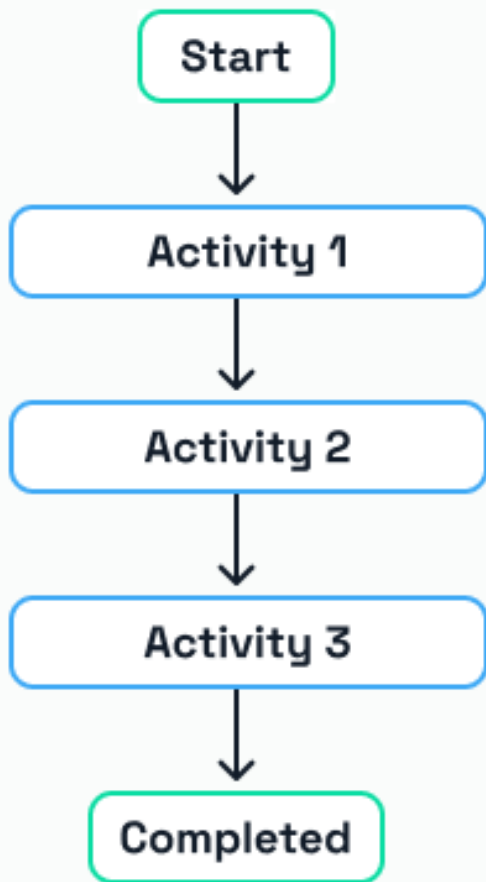
State change
events



Append only state store



How does it work?



Client triggers workflow start



Workflow engine



Append only state store

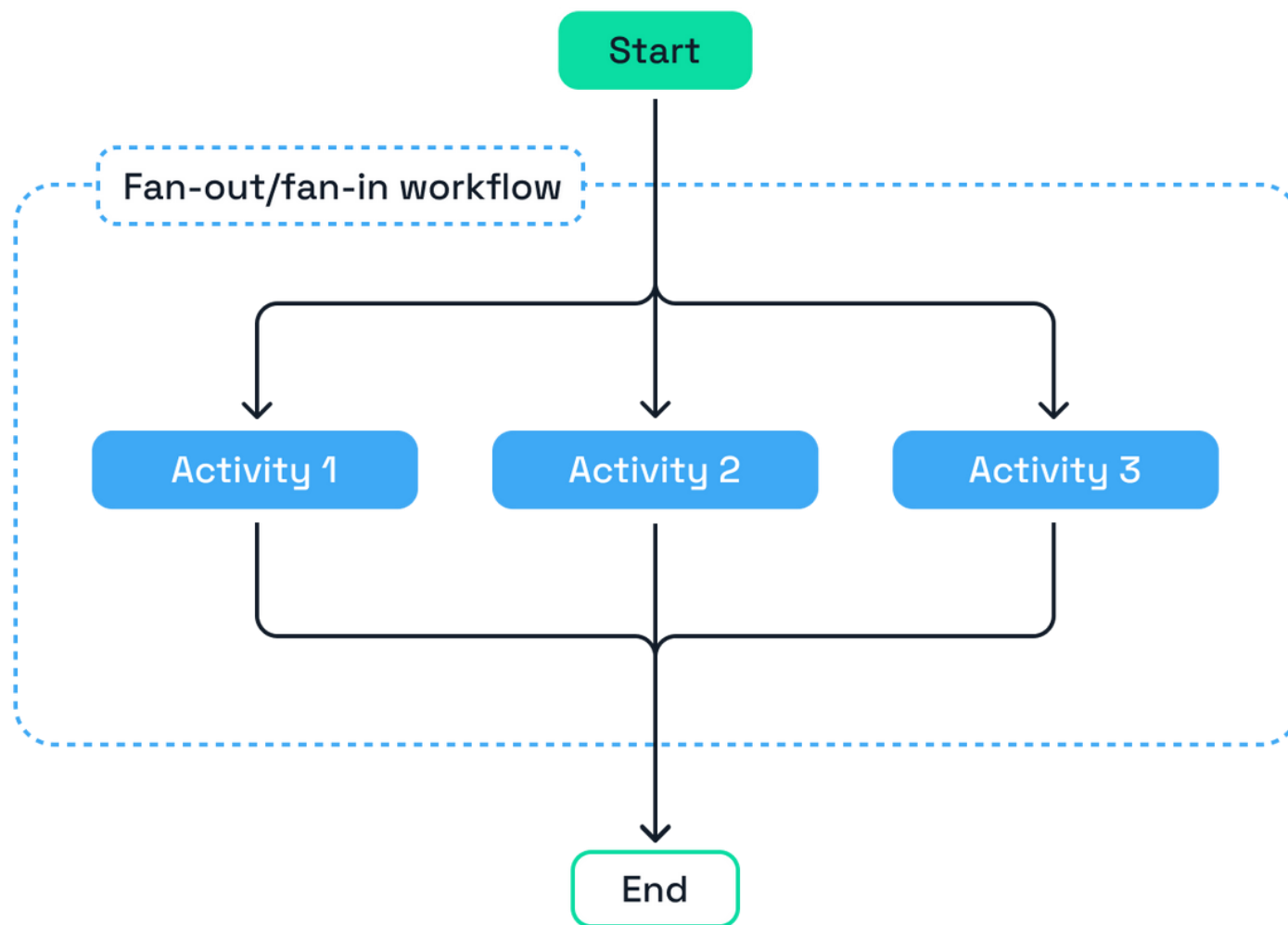


Chaining pattern



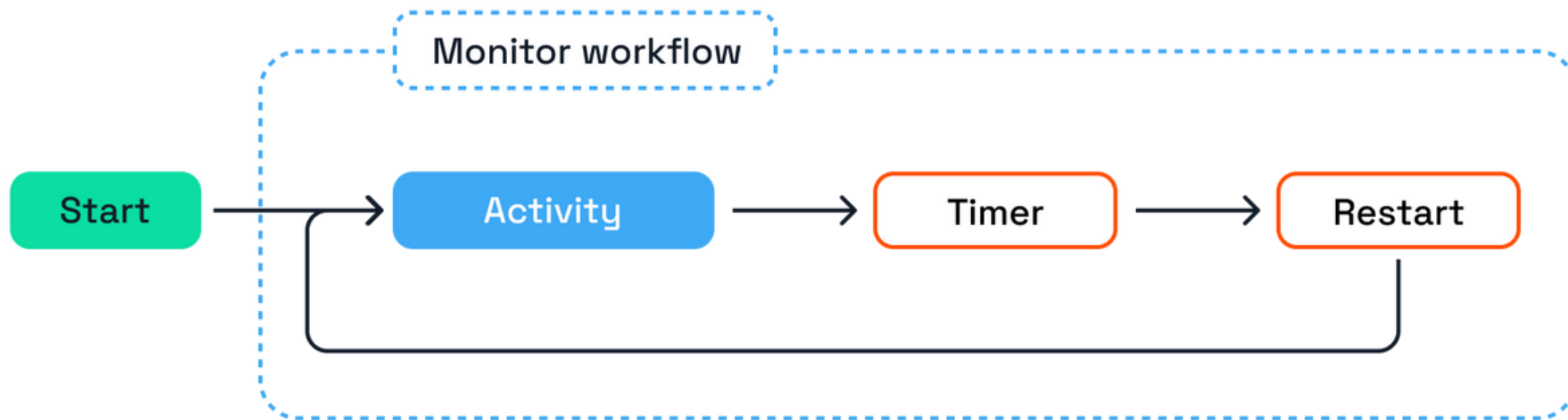


Fan-out/Fan-in



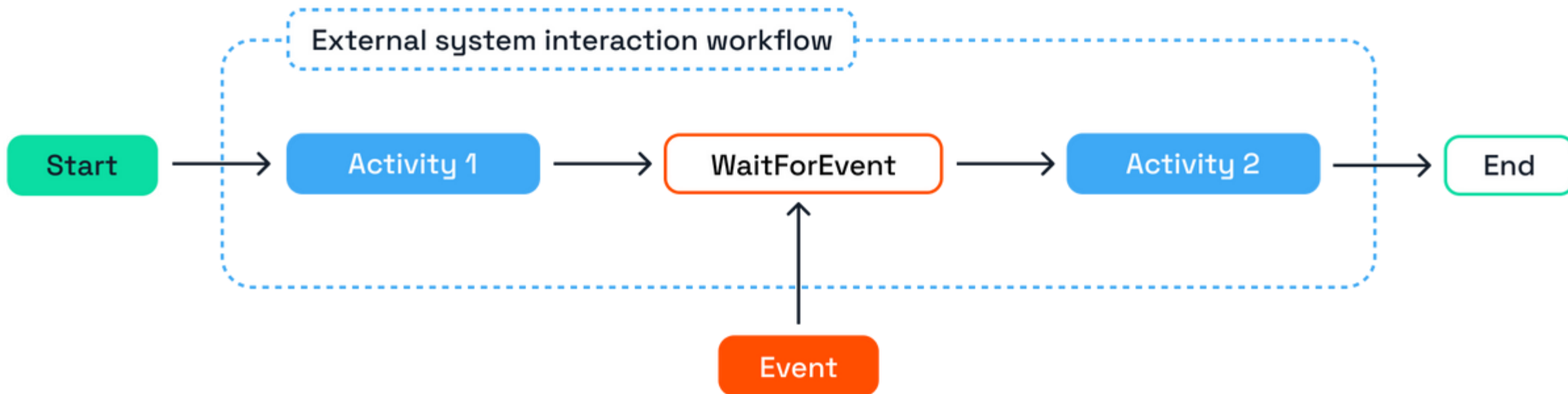


Monitor





External system interaction





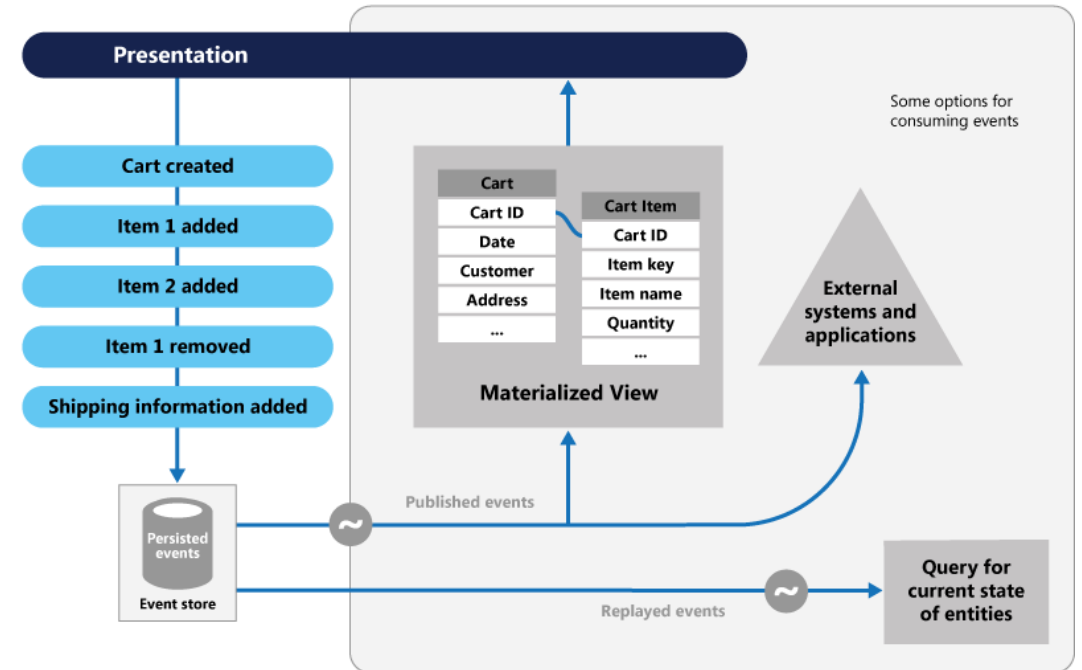
HTTP calls to manage a workflow

- **Started** or terminated through a POST request
- **Triggered** to deliver a named event through a POST request
- **Paused** and then resumed through a POST request
- **Purged** from your state store through a POST request
- **Queried** for workflow **status** through a GET request



Workflow replay - Workflow determinism

Instead of storing the current state of a workflow as a snapshot, the workflow engine manages an **append-only log of history events** that describe the various steps that a workflow has taken. When using the workflow SDK, these history events are stored automatically whenever the workflow “awaits” for the result of a scheduled task.

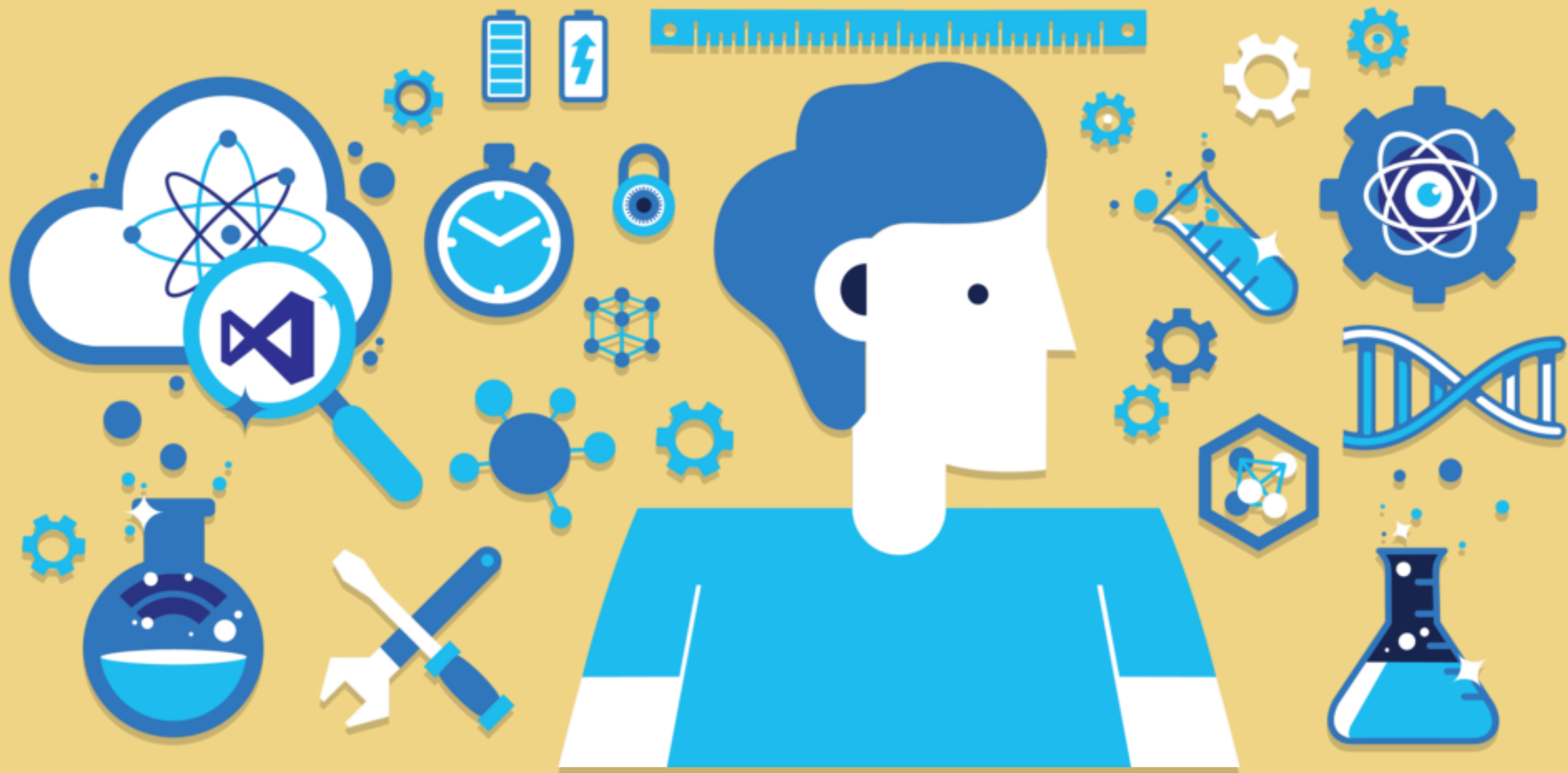


```
DateTime currentTime = context.CurrentUtcDateTime;  
Guid newIdentifier = context.NewGuid();  
string randomString = await context.CallActivityAsync<string>("GetRandomString");
```



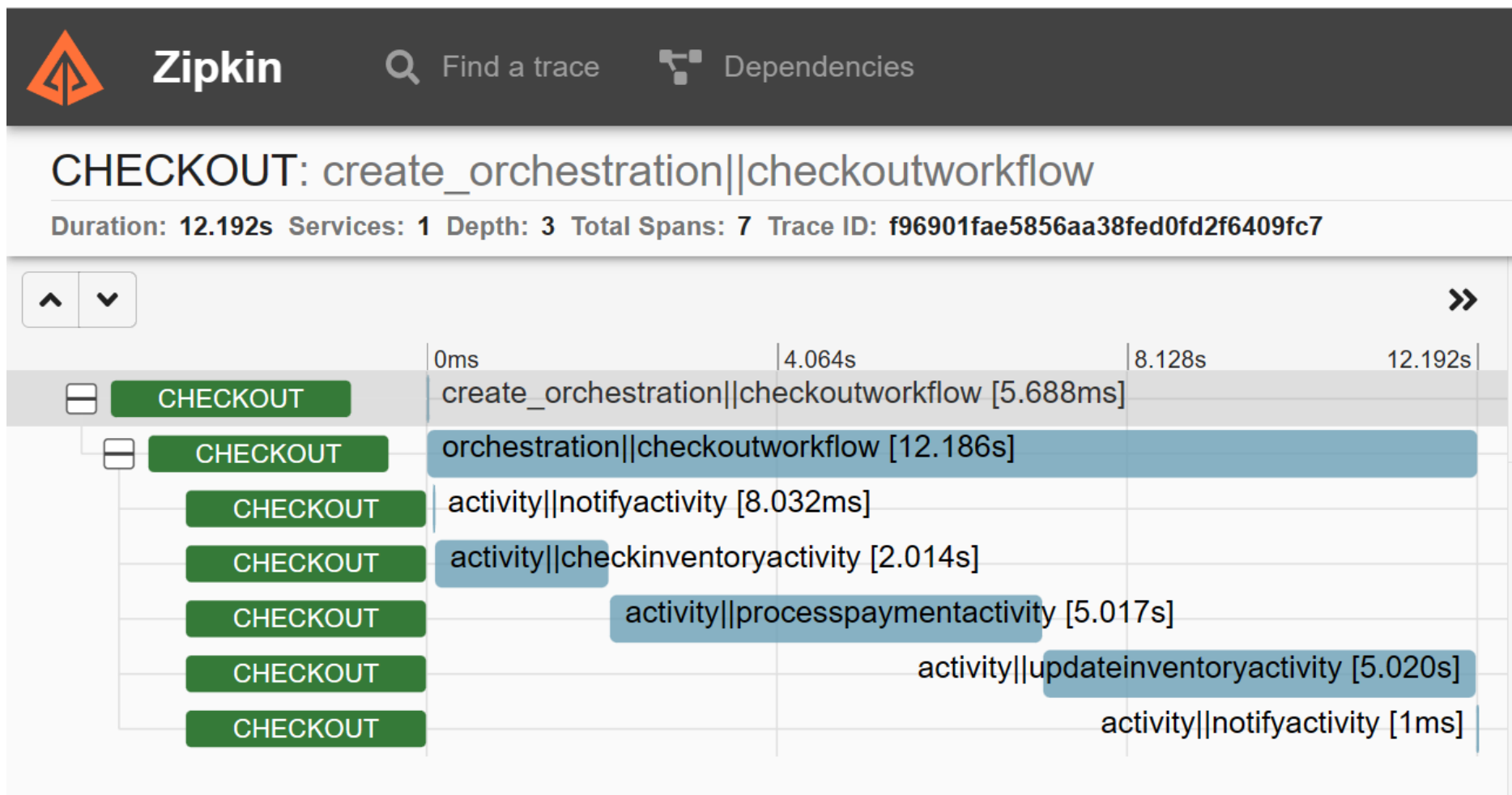
Limitations

- **State stores:** For the 1.12.0 beta release of Dapr Workflow, you're not able to use NoSQL databases. Only SQL databases are supported in the latest release.
- **Application instances:** For the 1.12.0 beta release of Dapr Workflow, only a maximum of 2 application instances is supported.





Telemetry





- <https://www.diagrid.io/blog/in-depth-guide-to-dapr-workflow-patterns>
- <https://www.diagrid.io/blog/authoring-dapr-workflows-in-dotnet>
- <https://docs.dapr.io/operations/configuration/configuration-overview/>
- [https://docs.dapr.io/reference/api/workflow api/](https://docs.dapr.io/reference/api/workflow_api/)





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