Argo Workflows 101: Fundamentals

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Recording

Pre-requisites

1. Install Kubernetes locally (we recommend use Docker on Desktop + K3D as it supports RBAC):
2. kubectl
3. Add yourself to the sign-in sheet

```
brew install k3d

k3d create ;# or `k3d cluster create`  for newer versions

export KUBECONFIG="$(k3d get-kubeconfig --name='k3s-default')" ;# `or ? for new
version?

kubectl cluster-info
```

Install Argo Workflows

```
kubectl create ns argo

kubectl -n argo apply -f  https://raw.githubusercontent.com/argoproj/argo/master/manifests/quick-start-postgres.yaml

kubectl -n argo patch cm workflow-controller-configmap -p '{"data": {"containerRuntimeExecutor": "pns"}}' ;# needed for K3S

kubectl -n argo get pods --watch ;# takes maybe 2m for all pods to be ready

kubectl -n argo port-forward svc/argo-server 2746:2746

open http://localhost:2746

brew install argo

argo version
```

Fundamentals

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Hands-On:

Using the user interface - submit a workflow that prints “Hi Argo Workshop!”

Hello Argo!

```
argo submit -n argo https://raw.githubusercontent.com/argoproj/argo/master/examples/hello-world.yaml

argo list -n argo

argo get -n argo ...

argo logs -n argo ...
```

Hands-On:

Using the CLI - submit a workflow and wait for it to finish.

Hint: https://argoproj.github.io/argo/cli/argo_submit/

Workflow Service Account

A short detour on running workflows with different service accounts.

```
kubectl create serviceaccount me

kubectl create rolebinding me --serviceaccount=argo:me --role=workflow-role
```

Hands-On:

Submit a workflow that uses a service account.

Anatomy of a Workflow

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Anatomy of a workflow

- Steps
- DAGs
- Containers
- Scripts
- Resources suspend
- Arguments, Inputs, and Outputs
- Artifacts
- Exit handler

Templates

Templates are how we define the work to be done and call other templates to do the work.

All templates are defined under the `templates` field of a Workflow.

Templates act like functions/methods (we will see soon).

Several different templates, but two main kinds: those that define work and those that call on other templates (we will see soon).

```java
class ArgoDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int result = addFour(2);
        if (result > 5) {
            sayHello();
        }
    }
    public int addFour(int a) {
        return a + 4;
    }
    public void sayHello() {
        System.out.println("Hello Intuit!");
    }
}
```

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```

We *define* work in methods

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We *define* work in methods, give them names

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    }
}
```

We *define* work in methods, give them names, and specify their inputs and outputs

```
class ArgoDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int result = addFour(2);
        if (result > 5) {
            sayHello();
        }
    }
    public int addFour(int a) {
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We *call* work in code blocks

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```

We *call* work in code blocks by naming our desired definitions

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}
```

We *call* work in code blocks by naming our desired definitions, passing in and receiving live arguments

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class ArgoDemo {
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}
```

We *call* work in code blocks by naming our desired definitions, passing in and receiving live arguments, and do some execution control

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class ArgoDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
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- name: main
  steps:
    - - name: addFour
        template: addFour
        arguments: {parameters: [{name: "a", value: "2"}]}
    - - name: sayHello
        template: sayHello
        when: "{{steps.addFour.outputs.result}} > 5"
- name: addFour
  inputs: {parameters: [{name: "a"}]}
  container:
    image: alpine:latest
    command: [sh, -c]
    args: ["echo $(( {{inputs.parameters.a}} + 4 ))"]
- name: sayHello
  container:
    image: alpine:latest
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```

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    command: [sh, -c]
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```

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    public int addFour(int a) {
        return a + 4;
    }
    public void sayHello(string toWho) {
        System.out.println("Hello Intuit!");
    }
}
```

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```

We *call* work in code blocks by naming our desired definitions

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class ArgoDemo {
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    command: [sh, -c]
    args: [echo "Hello Intuit!"]
```

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Templates

Templates are how we define the work to be done and call other templates to do the work.

Two kinds of templates:

Definition templates:

- `Container` (from the last example)
- `Script`
- `Resource`
- `Suspend`

Execution templates:

- `Steps` (from the last example)
- `DAG`

Inputs and Output Parameters

Input and Output Parameters are how we move data across different steps in a Workflow.

- Inputs are a *definition* of inputs
- Outputs are a *definition* of outputs
- Arguments are *live* arguments

```
addFour(int a)
int addFour(...)
addFour(2)
```

Hands On

1. Grab our working example from: http://in/argo-hw or https://bit.ly/2ZyjPmO
2. Modify it as defined in the new Java code (changes highlighted)
3. Challenge: Can you use a DAG template instead of Steps? (Docs and examples in the Argo Repo)

```
class ArgoDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int result = add(2, 5);
        int finalResult = add(result, 10);
        if (finalResult > 5) {
            sayHello(finalResult);
        }
    }
    public int add(int a, int b) {
        return a + b;
    }
    public void sayHello(int result) {
        System.out.println("Result is: " + result);
    }
}
```

Artifacts

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Input and Output Artifacts

- Artifacts can be a single file or directory
- Supported Repositories
  - S3, GCS, OSS, RAW, HDFS, Github, http
- Configure Repository in Argo
  - Controller level configuration in configmap
  - Workflow level configuration
    - ArtifactRepositoryRef
    - Inline configuration

```
s3:
  bucket: my-bucket
  endpoint: minio:9000
  insecure: true
  accessKeySecret:
    name: my-minio-cred
    key: accesskey
  secretKeySecret:
    name: my-minio-cred
    key: secretkey
```

Inline artifact repository

```yaml
- name: input-artifact-s3-example
  inputs:
    artifacts:
    - name: my-art
      path: /my-artifact
      s3:
        # Use the corresponding endpoint depending on your S3 provider:
        #   AWS: s3.amazonaws.com
        #   GCS: storage.googleapis.com
        #   Minio: my-minio-endpoint.default:9000
        endpoint: s3.amazonaws.com
        bucket: my-bucket-name
        key: path/in/bucket
        # accessKeySecret and secretKeySecret are secret selectors.
        # It references the k8s secret named 'my-s3-credentials'.
        # This secret is expected to have have the keys 'accessKey'
        # and 'secretKey', containing the base64 encoded credentials
        # to the bucket.
        accessKeySecret:
          name: my-s3-credentials
          key: accessKey
        secretKeySecret:
          name: my-s3-credentials
          key: secretKey
```

Using ArtifactRepositoryRef:

- Configure multiple repositories in configmap and refer them in workflow using `artifactRepositoryRef`:

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
  generateName: artifactory-repository-ref-
spec:
  entrypoint: main
  artifactRepositoryRef:
    key: minio
  templates:
    - name: main
      container:
        image: docker/whalesay:latest
        command: [sh, -c]
        args: ["cowsay hello world | tee /tmp/hello_world.txt"]
      outputs:
        artifacts:
          - name: hello_world
            path: /tmp/hello_world.txt
```

```yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: artifact-repositories
data:
  minio: |
    s3:
      bucket: my-bucket
      endpoint: minio:9000
      insecure: true
      accessKeySecret:
        name: my-minio-cred
        key: accesskey
      secretKeySecret:
        name: my-minio-cred
        key: secretkey
```

Hands-On:

Submit a workflow that use artifacts.

Output Artifacts

- Output will be pushed to configured Repository once main container is completed
- https://gist.github.com/sarabala1979/a7190fe6f43996f2ee6a2d9877723aaa

```
templates:
  - name: whalesay
    container:
      image: docker/whalesay:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["cowsay hello world | tee /tmp/hello_world.txt"]
    outputs:
      artifacts:
        - name: message
          path: /tmp/hello_world.txt
          s3:
            bucket: my-bucket
            endpoint: minio:9000
            insecure: true
            key: output/hello_world.txt
            accessKeySecret:
              name: my-minio-cred
              key: accesskey
            secretKeySecret:
              name: my-minio-cred
              key: secretkey
```

Input Artifacts

- Input artifact will be downloaded from configured Repository and saved in given path for main container to access it.
- https://gist.githubusercontent.com/sarabala1979/a2198b888a31269afb5fe08c0de3af1d/raw/947898cf8f68b544b7c456f0bc99267 27b1a2cca/input-artifact.yaml

```yaml
templates:
  - name: input-artifact
    inputs:
      artifacts:
        - name: my-art
          path: my-artifact
          s3:
            bucket: my-bucket
            endpoint: minio:9000
            insecure: true
            key: output/hello_world.txt
            accessKeySecret:
              name: my-minio-cred
              key: accesskey
            secretKeySecret:
              name: my-minio-cred
              key: secretkey
    container:
      image: debian:latest
      command: [sh, -c]
      args: ["cat my-artifact"]
```

Passing Artifacts

https://gist.github.com/sarabala1979/03dcc960371851dbc6f7c9ea23abd212

Exit Handlers

```
protected void finalize()
{
System.out.println("object is garbage collected ");
}
```

- It is a destructor of workflow
- You can define Exit handler in Workflow level, Step/Dag level
- https://gist.githubusercontent.com/sarabala1979/f3cacd7fafd2378f577049182beeabaf/raw/126b4ba530bf1b473234dc36f9f569576c865294/exithandler.yaml.

```
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
 generateName: exit-handlers-
spec:
 entrypoint: intentional-fail
 onExit: exit-handler
```

```
- name: exit-handler
 container:
   image: docker/whalesay:latest
   command: [cowsay]
   args: ["Exit-Handler"]
```

Hands-On:

Create workflow with an exit handler.

Workflow Templates

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Change your workflow to a workflow template

- Instead of submitting whole workflow every time.
- You can store the workflow definition in cluster
- You can refer or submit definition multiple time.
- You just change kind from `workflow` to `WorkflowTemplate`
- Cli command for create workflow template
- `argo template create <>`

```
class WorkflowTemplate{

void template(int a, int b){
  // do something
}
}

Class workflow {
Public static void main(String[] args){
   WorkflowTemplate wfTmpl = new
WorkflowTempalte();
   wfTmpl.template(1,2);
wfTmpl.template(3,4);
}
```

Hands-On:

Change your workflow to a template and submit the template.

https://gist.githubusercontent.com/sarabala1979/5f5ecff0976908300d020c5cda9ad53c/raw/239b785009bbab87d161f3ce96bc6d1da392256d/workflowtemplate.yaml

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: WorkflowTemplate
metadata:
 name: add-example-template
spec:
 entrypoint: main
 templates:
   - name: main
     steps:
       - - name: addFour
           template: addFour
           arguments: {parameters: [{name: "a", value: "2"}]}
       - - name: sayHello
           template: sayHello
           when: "{{steps.addFour.outputs.result}} > 5"
   - name: addFour
     inputs: {parameters: [{name: "a"}]}
     container:
       image: alpine:latest
       command: [sh, -c]
       args: ["echo $(( {{inputs.parameters.a}} + 4 ))"]
   - name: sayHello
     container:
       image: alpine:latest
       command: [sh, -c]
       args: [echo "Hello Intuit!"]
```

Refer workflow template in workflow

https://gist.githubusercontent.com/sarabala1979/9c188e5c425acf0d795eaf0b61e02729/raw/1cf5ba90c1d3e175190121c1c9f948cdd199f9f2/workflowtemplateRef.yaml

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
  generateName: add-example-
spec:
  workflowTemplateRef:
    name: add-example-template
```

https://gist.githubusercontent.com/sarabala1979/09eb280fdab084ea92455b8f87c70146/raw/b538a8a27983ff53ed4c3e3b8b36752ede61a7d5/templateref.yaml

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
  generateName: workflow-template-hello-world-
spec:
  entrypoint: whalesay
  templates:
  - name: whalesay
    steps:
      - - name: call-whalesay-template
          templateRef:
            name: add-example-template
            template: addFour
          arguments:
            parameters:
            - name: a
              value: "3"
```

Submit the workflow from workflow template

`argo submit --from workflowtemplate/add-example-template --watch`

Cluster workflow template

- `argo cluster-template create <>`

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: ClusterWorkflowTemplate
metadata:
 name: add-example-template
spec:
 entrypoint: main
 templates:
   - name: main
     steps:
       - - name: addFour
           template: addFour
           arguments: {parameters: [{name: "a", value: "2"}]}
       - - name: sayHello
           template: sayHello
           when: "{{steps.addFour.outputs.result}} > 5"
   - name: addFour
     inputs: {parameters: [{name: "a"}]}
     container:
       image: alpine:latest
       command: [sh, -c]
       args: ["echo $(( {{inputs.parameters.a}} + 4 ))"]
   - name: sayHello
     container:
       image: alpine:latest
       command: [sh, -c]
       args: [echo "Hello Intuit!"]
```

Cron Workflows

Simon

Cron Workflows

CronWorkflows are Regular Workflows that run on a schedule. Converting one is easy.

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: Workflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  entrypoint: whalesay
  templates:
  - name: whalesay
    container:
      image: docker/whalesay:latest
      command: [cowsay]
      args: ["hello world"]
```

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: CronWorkflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  entrypoint: whalesay
  templates:
  - name: whalesay
    container:
      image: docker/whalesay:latest
      command: [cowsay]
      args: ["hello world"]
```

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: CronWorkflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  entrypoint: whalesay
  templates:
  - name: whalesay
    container:
      image: docker/whalesay:latest
      command: [cowsay]
      args: ["hello world"]
```

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: CronWorkflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  workflowSpec:
    entrypoint: whalesay
    templates:
      - name: whalesay
        container:
          image: docker/whalesay:latest
          command: [cowsay]
          args: ["hello world"]
```

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: CronWorkflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  schedule: "2 * * * *"
  timezone: "America/Los_Angeles"
  concurrencyPolicy: "Replace"
  workflowSpec:
    entrypoint: whalesay
    templates:
      - name: whalesay
        container:
          image: docker/whalesay:latest
          command: [cowsay]
          args: ["hello world"]
```

```yaml
apiVersion: argoproj.io/v1alpha1
kind: CronWorkflow
metadata:
  generateName: hello-world-
spec:
  schedule: "2 * * * *"
  timezone: "America/Los_Angeles"
  concurrencyPolicy: "Replace"
  workflowSpec:
    entrypoint: whalesay
    templates:
      - name: whalesay
        container:
          image: docker/whalesay:latest
          command: [cowsay]
          args: ["hello world"]
```