

Summary

Thank you for joining us in this module on Airflow Variables

1. We learnt how the use of variables in programming can simplify and streamline code by storing information that can be used across multiple tasks or functions. Variables consist of a unique identifier, a value that is JSON serializable.
2. They can be created, edited, deleted, or exported and can also be stored in a secret backend or by using environment variables.
3. For sensitive values, Airflow allows for the creation of hidden variables by specifying certain keywords such as "api_key", "password", or "secret" in the key. These variables remain hidden on the Airflow UI even when edited, providing a safe way to store sensitive information.
4. In addition, Airflow variables can be created by exporting environment variables with the prefix "AIRFLOW_VAR". This method allows for keeping sensitive values hidden from the Airflow UI, faster processing, and easy versioning of variables as they are stored in a file.
5. While these variables cannot be seen on the Airflow UI, they can still be used in DAGs.
6. Overall, the use of variables in Airflow can simplify code, improve efficiency, and provide a safe way to store sensitive information.

Thank you for tuning in. See you in the next one.

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