

What is Quarkus?

Quarkus (https://quarkus.io/) is a Kubernetes Native Java stack tailored for GraalVM & OpenJDK HotSpot, crafted from the best of breed Java libraries and standards. Also focused on developer experience, making things just work with little to no configuration and allowing to do live coding.

Getting Started

Quarkus comes with a Maven archetype to scaffold a very simple starting project.

```
mvn io.quarkus:quarkus-maven-plugin:0.14.0:create \
    -DprojectGroupId=org.acme \
    -DprojectArtifactId=getting-started \
    -DclassName="org.acme.quickstart.GreetingResource" \
    -Dpath="/hello"
```

This creates a simple JAX-RS resource called GreetingResource.

```
@Path("/hello")
public class GreetingResource {

    @GET
    @Produces(MediaType.TEXT_PLAIN)
    public String hello() {
        return "hello";
    }
}
```

Extensions

Quarkus comes with extensions to integrate with some libraries such as JSON-B, Camel or MicroProfile spec. To list all available extensions just run:

```
./mvnw quarkus:list-extensions
```

And to register the extensions into build tool:

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension -Dextensions=""
```

 $extstyle{ t Tip}$ extensions property supports CSV format to register more than one extension at once.

Adding Configuration Parameters

To add configuration to your application, Quarkus relies on MicroProfile Config spec (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-config).

Properties can be set as environment variable, system property or in src/main/resources/application.properties.

```
greetings.message = Hello World
```

Injection

Quarkus is based on CDI 2.0 to implement injection of code. It is not fully supported and only a subset of the specification is implemented (https://quarkus.io/guides/cdi-reference).

```
@ApplicationScoped
public class GreetingService {
    public String message(String message) {
        return message.toUpperCase();
    }
}
```

Scope annotation is mandatory to make the bean discoverable by CDI.

```
@Inject
GreetingService greetingService;
```

Quarkus is designed with Substrate VM in mind. For **Important** this reason, we encourage you to use *package-private* scope instead of *private*.

JSON Marshalling/Unmarshalling

To work with JSON-B you need to add a dependency:

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-resteasy-jsonb"
```

Any POJO is marshaled/unmarshalled automatically.

```
public class Sauce {
    private String name;
    private long scovilleHeatUnits;

    // getter/setters
}
```

JSON equivalent:

```
"name":"Blair's Ultra Death",
"scovilleHeatUnits": 1100000
}
```

In a POST endpoint example:

Persistence

Quarkus works with JPA(Hibernate) as persistence solution. But also provides an Active Record pattern (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Active_record_pattern) implementation under Panache project.

To use database access you need to add Quarkus JDBC drivers instead of the original ones. At this time H2, MariaDB and PostgreSQL drivers are supported.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-hibernate-orm-panache,
io.quarkus:quarkus-jdbc-mariadb"
```

```
@Entity
public class Developer extends PanacheEntity {
    // id field is implicit
    public String name;
}
```

And configuration src/main/resources/application.properties:

```
quarkus.datasource.url=jdbc:mariadb://localhost:3306/mydb
quarkus.datasource.driver=org.mariadb.jdbc.Driver
quarkus.datasource.username=developer
quarkus.datasource.password=developer
quarkus.hibernate-orm.database.generation=update
```

Database operations:

```
// Insert
Developer developer = new Developer();
developer.name = "Alex";
developer.persist();

// Find All
Developer.findAll().list();

// Find By Query
Developer.find("name", "Alex").firstResult();

// Delete
Developer developer = new Developer();
developer.id = 1;
developer.delete();

// Delete By Query
long numberOfDeleted = Developer.delete("name", "Alex");
```

Remember to annotate methods with @Transactional annotation to make changes persisted in the database.

If queries start with the keyword from then they are treated as *HQL* query, if not then next short form is supported:

- order by which expands to from EntityName order by ...
- <columnName> which expands to from EntityName where <columnName>=?
- <query> which is expanded to from EntityName where <query>

Static Methods

Field Parameters Return deleteAll Number of deleted entities.

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Field	Parameters	Return
findById	Object	Returns object or null if not found.
find	String, [Object, Map <string, object="">, Parameters]</string,>	Lists of entities meeting given query with parameters set.
find	String, Sort [Object, Map <string, object="">, Parameters]</string,>	Lists of entities meeting given
findAll		Finds all entities.
findAll	Sort	Finds all entities sorted by Sort attribute/s.
stream	String, [Object, Map <string, object="">, Parameters]</string,>	<pre>java.util.stream.Stream of entities meeting given query with parameters set.</pre>
stream	String, Sort [Object, Map <string, Object>, Parameters]</string, 	java.util.stream.Stream of entities meeting given query with parameters set sorted by Sort attribute/s.
streamAll		<pre>java.util.stream.Stream of all entities.</pre>
streamAll	Sort	<pre>java.util.stream.Stream of all entities sorted by Sort attribute/s.</pre>
count		`Number of entities.
count	String, [Object, Map <string, object="">, Parameters]</string,>	Number of entities meeting given query with parameters set.

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delete	String, [Object, Map <string, object="">, Parameters]</string,>	Number of deleted entities meeting given query with parameters set.
persist	[Iterable, Steram, Object]	
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Rest Client

Quarkus implements MicroProfile Rest Client (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-rest-client) spec:

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-smallrye-rest-client"
```

To get content from http://worldclockapi.com/api/json/cet/now you need to create a service interface:

```
public class WorldClockOptions {
    @HeaderParam("Authorization")
    String auth;

    @PathParam("where")
    String where;
}
```

And configure the hostname at application.properties:

```
org.acme.quickstart.WorldClockService/mp-rest/url=
    http://worldclockapi.com
```

Injecting the client:

```
@Inject
@RestClient
WorldClockService worldClockService;
```

Tip You can still use the JAX-RS client without any problem ClientBuilder.newClient().target(...)

Adding headers

You can customize the headers passed by implementing MicroProfile ClientHeadersFactory annotation:

And registering it in the client using RegisterClientHeaders annotation.

```
@RegisterClientHeaders(BaggageHeadersFactory.class)
@RegisterRestClient
public interface WorldClockService {}
```

Or statically set:

```
@GET
@ClientHeaderParam(name="X-Log-Level", value="ERROR")
Response getNow();
```

Asynchronous

A method on client interface can return a CompletionStage class to be executed asynchronously.

```
@GET @Path("/json/cet/now")
@Produces(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON)
CompletionStage<WorldClock> getNow();
```

Validator

Quarkus uses Hibernate Validator (https://hibernate.org/validator/) to validate input/output of REST services and business services using Bean validation spec.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-hibernate-validator"
```

Annotate POJO objects with validator annotations such as: @NotNull, @Digits, @NotBlank, @Min, @Max, ...

```
public class Sauce {
    @NotBlank(message = "Name may not be blank")
    private String name;
    @Min(0)
    private long scovilleHeatUnits;

// getter/setters
}
```

To validate that an object is valid you need to annotate where is used with @Valid annotation:

```
public Response create(@Valid Sauce sauce) {}
```

If a validation error is triggered, a violation report is generated and serialized as JSON. If you want to manipulate the output, you need to catch in the code the ConstraintViolationException exception.

Create Your Custom Constraints

First you need to create the custom annotation:

You need to implement the validator logic in a class that implements ConstraintValidator.

And use it normally:

```
@NotExpired
@JsonbDateFormat(value = "yyyy-MM-dd")
private LocalDate expired;
```

Manual Validation

You can call the validation process manually instead of relaying to @Valid by injecting Validator class.

```
@Inject
Validator validator;
```

And use it:

```
Set<ConstraintViolation<Sauce>> violations =
    validator.validate(sauce);
```

Reactive Programming

Quarkus implements MicroProfile Reactive spec (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-reactive-streams-operators) and uses RXJava2 to provide reactive programming model.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="
io.quarkus:quarkus-smallrye-reactive-streams-operators"
```

Asynchronous HTTP endpoint is implemented by returning Java CompletionStage. You can create this class either manually or using MicroProfile Reactive Streams spec:

```
@GET
@Path("/reactive")
@Produces(MediaType.TEXT_PLAIN)
public CompletionStage<String> getHello() {
    return ReactiveStreams.of("h", "e", "l", "o")
    .map(String::toUpperCase)
    .toList()
    .run()
    .thenApply(list -> list.toString());
}
```

Creating streams is also easy, you just need to return Publisher object.

```
@GET
@Path("/stream")
@Produces(MediaType.SERVER_SENT_EVENTS)
public Publisher<String> publishers() {
    return Flowable
        .interval(500, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS)
        .map(s -> atomicInteger.getAndIncrement())
        .map(i -> Integer.toString(i));
}
```

Observability

Health Checks

Quarkus relies on MicroProfile Health spec (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-health) to provide health checks.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-smallrye-health"
```

By just adding this extension, an endpoint is registered to /health providing a default health check.

```
{
    "outcome": "UP",
    "checks": [
    ]
}
```

To create a custom health check you need to implement the HealthCheck interface and annotate it with @Health annotation.

Builds the next output:

Metrics

@Timed

Quarkus can utilize the MicroProfile Metrics spec (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-metrics) to provide metrics support.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-smallrye-metrics"
```

The metrics can be read remotely using JSON format or the OpenMetrics format. By just adding the extension, an endpoint is registered at /metrics providing default metrics.

MicroProfile Metrics comes with some annotations to add specific monitoring values:

Annotation Description

Marking a method, constructor, or class as timed.

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Marking a method, constructor, or class as metered.

Marking a method, constructor, or class as counted.

Marking a method or field as a gauge.

Requesting that a metric be injected or registered.
```

@Gauge annotation returning a measure as a gauge.

```
@Gauge(name = "hottestSauce", unit = MetricUnits.NONE,
description = "Hottest Sauce so far.")
public Long hottestSauce() {}
```

Injecting a histogram using @Metric.

```
@Inject
@Metric(name = "histogram")
Histogram historgram;
```

Tracing

Quarkus can utilize the MicroProfile OpenTracing spec (https://github.com/eclipse/microprofile-opentracing) to provide tracing support.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extension
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-smallrye-opentracing"
```

By default, requests sent to any endpoint are traced without any code changes being required.

This extension includes OpenTracing support and Jaeger tracer.

Jaeger tracer configuration:

```
quarkus.jaeger.service-name=myservice
quarkus.jaeger.sampler-type=const
quarkus.jaeger.sampler-param=1
quarkus.jaeger.endpoint=http://localhost:14268/api/traces
```

@Traced annotation can be set to disable tracing at class or method level.

Tracer class can be injected into the class.

```
@Inject
Tracer tracer;

tracer.activeSpan().setBaggageItem("key", "value");
```

Cloud

Native

You can build a native image by using GraalVM. The common use case is creating a Docker image so you can execute the next commands:

Kubernetes

Quarks can use ap4k (https://github.com/ap4k/ap4k) to generate Kubernetes resources.

```
./mvnw quarkus:add-extensions
-Dextensions="io.quarkus:quarkus-kubernetes"
```

Running ./mvnw package the Kubernetes resources are created at target/wiring-classes/META-INF/kubernetes/directory.

Property	Default	Description
quarkus.kubernetes.group	Current username	Set Docke Username.
quarkus.application.name	Current project name	Project name

Logging

You can configure how Quarkus logs:

```
quarkus.log.console.enable=true
quarkus.log.console.level=DEBUG
quarkus.log.console.color=false

quarkus.log.category."com.lordofthejars".level=DEBUG
```

Prefix is quarkus.log.

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Property	Default	Description
console.enable	true	Console logging enabled.
console.format	%d{yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss,SSS} %-5p [%c{3.}] (%t) %s%e%n	•
console.level	INFO	Minimum log level.
console.color	INFO	Allow color rendering.
file.enable	false	File logging enabled.
file.format	%d{yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss,SSS} %h %N[%i] %-5p [%c{3.}] (%t) %s%e%n	1186 101 10001110
file.level	ALL	Minimum log level.
file.path	quarkus.log	The path to log file.
<pre>category." <category- name="">".level</category-></pre>	INFO	Minimum level category.
level	INFO	Default minimum level.

Testing

When you generate the Quarkus project with the archetype, test dependencies with JUnit 5 are registered automatically, but also the Rest-Assured library to test RESt endpoints.

To package and run the application for testing:

```
@QuarkusTest
public class GreetingResourceTest {

    @Test
    public void testHelloEndpoint() {
        given()
            .when().get("/hello")
            .then()
            .statusCode(200)
            .body(is("hello"));
    }
}
```

Test port can be modified by using quarkus.http.test-port configuration property.

You can also inject the URL where Quarkus is started:

```
@TestHTTPResource("index.html")
URL url;
```

If you need to provide an alternative implementation of a service (for testing purposes) you can do it by using CDI @Alternative annotation using it in the test service placed at src/test/java:

```
@Alternative
@Priority(1)
@ApplicationScoped
public class MockExternalService extends ExternalService {}
```

Important This does not work when using native image testing.

To test native executables you can annotate the test with @SubstrateTest.

Resources

- https://quarkus.io/guides/
- https://www.youtube.com/user/lordofthejars

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