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Global Economic Analysis on a Budget

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Today's Topic

Building a Satellite Imagery Processing Pipeline

A History Lesson

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 - More than 100,000 scenes

Pipeline Steps

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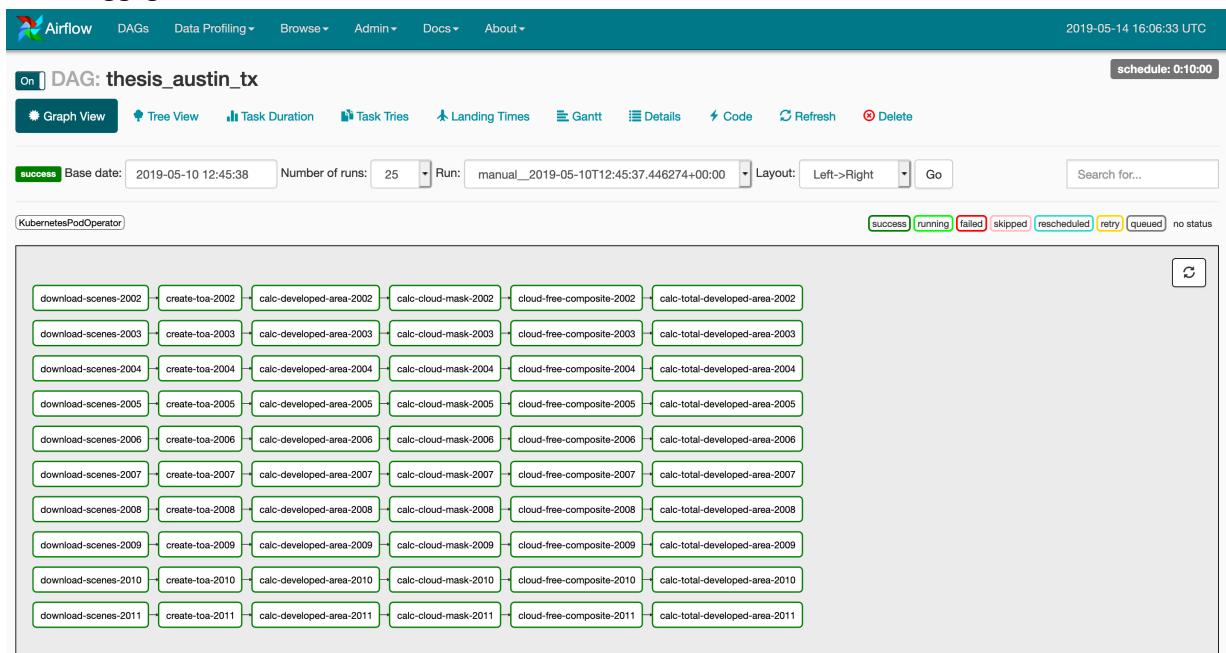
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```
default_args = {
         'owner': 'kevin',
         'depends_on_past': False,
         'start_date': datetime.utcnow(),
         'email': ['kevin@kb.gg'],
         'email_on_failure': False,
         'email_on_retry': False,
         'retries': 1,
         'retry delay': timedelta(minutes=5)
10 }
11
    secret_file = Secret('volume', '/secrets', 'thesis-db', None)
    volume_mount = VolumeMount('research', mount_path='/data', sub_path=None, read_only=False)
    volume_config= {'persistentVolumeClaim': {'claimName': 'research'}}
15
    volume = Volume(name='research', configs=volume_config)
16
    dag = DAG('thesis_austin_tx', default_args=default_args, concurrency=4)
18
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    for year in range(2002, 2012):
20
        download_task = KubernetesPodOperator(namespace='thesis',
                               image="registry.kb.gg:5000/thesis:latest",
                               image_pull_policy="Always",
                               image_pull_secrets="dev-regsecret",
                               cmds=["download-scenes"],
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                               arguments=["2306", str(year)],
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                               labels={"app": "thesis"},
27
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                               name="download-scenes-{}".format(year),
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        download_task.set_downstream(create_toa_task)
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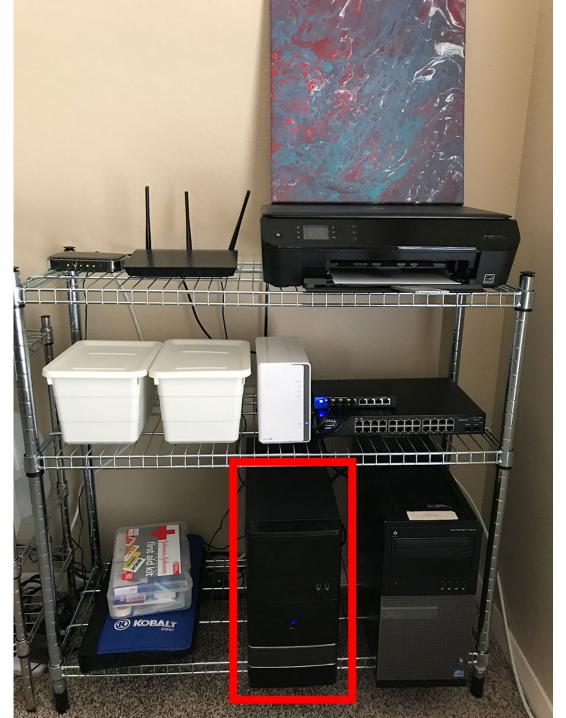
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Q&A