

# Lab 10

## Apache Airflow

# What is Airflow?

Airflow is a platform to programmatically author, schedule, and monitor workflows or data pipelines.

# Why do we need Airflow?

- Data grows fast, gets more complex and harder to manage as your company scales.
- In order to provide insights, you need to have some kind of visualization to explain your findings and monitor them over time.
- For these data to be up to date, you need to extract, transform, load them into your preferred database from multiple data sources in a fixed time interval ( hourly , daily, weekly, monthly)

# Scheduling your DAGs

There are two parameters that you can define when instantiating your DAG to specify when your DAG will be run:

1- start\_date

2- schedule\_interval: dictates how often to run the DAG

<https://crontab.guru/>

This is a way to get the interval of the scheduling.

Some notes on the files

# amazon-dag1

In this file the function are not having parameters nor returning values.

But if we want to return some values we can do this using “Context”.

## amazon-dag2

It is the same functionality as in amazon-dag1 but we are passing the parameters( The dataframe).

We can handle this by adding a context to the function and then pull the parameters.

It was a pleasure for me to be your TA  
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