



# Low code? nah... but less code? Yeah!

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# who am I?



- independent software engineer and consultant
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- creator of Automatiko project
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# Low code

Targets less technical users to deliver IT solutions quickly

- Use graphical user interface to assemble working software
- Create solutions by using predefined set of features
- Usually constraint to given domain (e.g. marketing campaigns)
- Not as appealing to developers as regular “development work”



## Less code

Allows developers to be more productive  
by focusing on business logic

*Is just that...*

***less code***

# Less and less code...



## Spring and hibernate xml

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <beans xmlns="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"
3      xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:context="http://www.springframework.org/schema/context"
4      xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans
5      http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd
6      http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/
7      http://www.springframework.org/schema/context/spring-context.xsd">
8
9      <bean id="operations" class="com.acme.spring.beans.Operations"></bean>
10     <bean id="employee" class="com.acme.spring.beans.Employee"></bean>
11     <bean id="department" class="com.acme.spring.beans.Department"></bean>
12 </beans>
```

# Less and less code...



## Annotations

```
1  @Entity
2  public class Vehicle {
3
4      @Persistent
5      protected String vehicleName = null;|
6
7      @Getter
8      public String getVehicleName() {
9          return this.vehicleName;
10     }
11
12     public void setVehicleName(@Optional vehicleName) {
13         this.vehicleName = vehicleName;
14     }
15 }
```

# Less and less code...



## Auto configuration

```
1  @Configuration
2  @EnableAutoConfiguration(exclude={DataSourceAutoConfiguration.class})
3  public class MyConfiguration {
4  }
5
6
7  @Service
8  public class DatabaseAccountService implements AccountService {
9
10     private final RiskAssessor riskAssessor;
11
12     @Autowired
13     public DatabaseAccountService(RiskAssessor riskAssessor) {
14         this.riskAssessor = riskAssessor;
15     }
16 }
```

# Less and less code...



## Wiring

```
1
2 public class Receiver {
3
4     @Incoming("my-channel")
5     public void consumePayload(Payload payload) {
6         // do something
7     }
8
9 }
```





**We got used to less code  
already, right?**



# Workflows

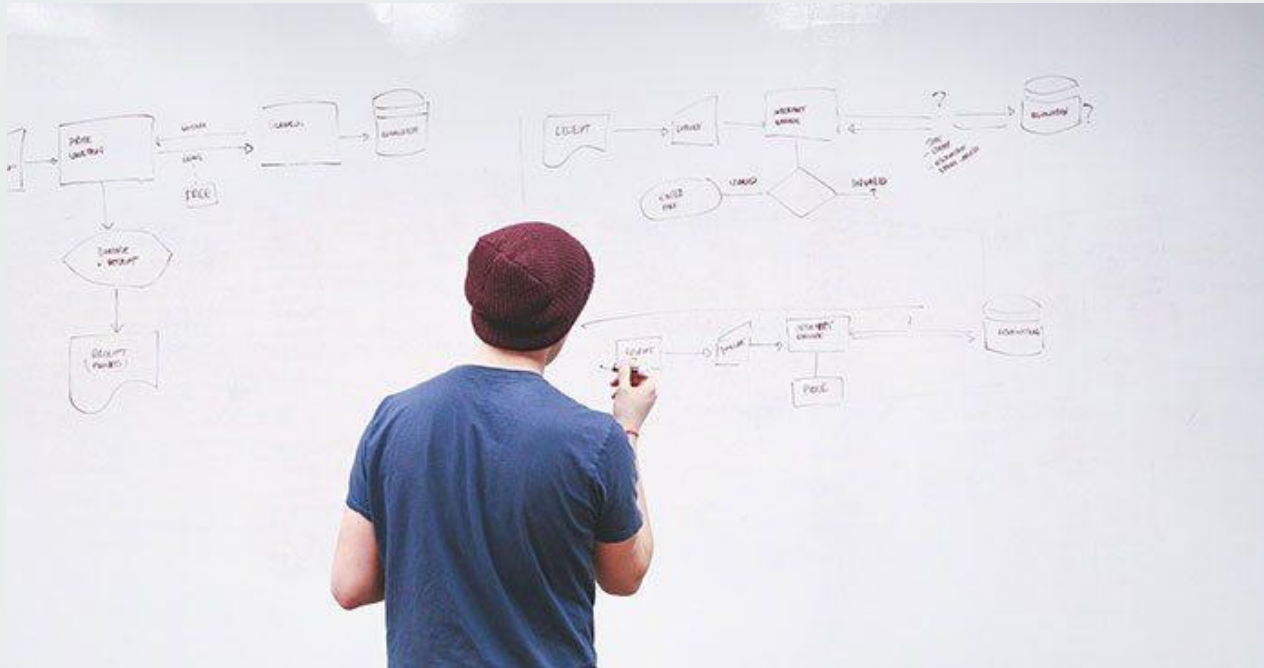
Workflows are not just for orchestration

- Everything we do in software industry is a process
- Workflows allow to simplify communication between team members
- Workflow automation comes with handy features that would have to be written
- Comes with isolation by design - workflow definition vs workflow instance



# Why workflows?

# We all start with ...



## ... why not to take it further?

# Automatiko



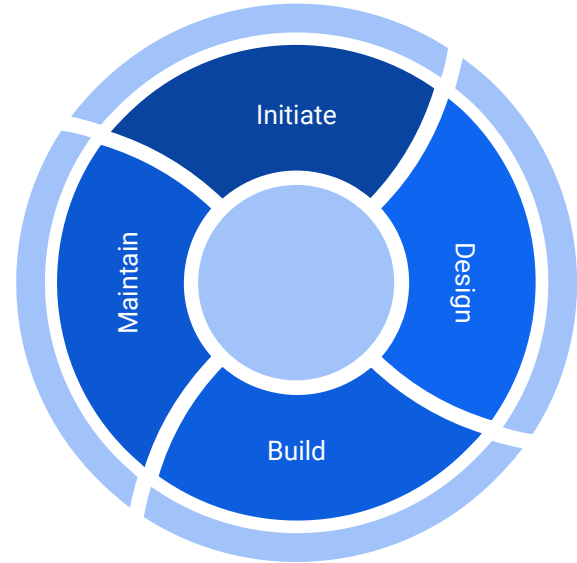
- Automatiko - framework to build services and functions based on workflows
  - workflow as a service
  - workflow as a function
  - workflow as a function flow
- Covers quite few use cases
  - Event streams (e.g. based on Apache Kafka, IoT based on MQTT)
  - Business entity life cycle and database record processing
  - Service orchestration
  - Kubernetes Operators
  - Human centric or batch processing
- Open source - Apache license
- Built on top of Quarkus and Microprofile



# Building parts service

manage life cycle of parts

inspired automotive industry



# Requirements



- Service needs to handle life cycle of the part - from initial creation up to retirement
- Parts are uniquely identified by part number
- Parts can be accessed at any time by their part number
- Part has well defined data model
- Parts go through number of phases
  - design,
  - development,
  - testing,
  - production
- Part information is of interest for other (downstream) services



# Let's build it!





# Wrapping up

Less code means more efficient software deliveries

- Less code allows developers to be more productive
- Less code does not mean there is no code, it is just written by someone else ;)
- Workflows can improve visibility of the business logic
- Less code and workflows are enablers to build low code platforms

# Want to know more?

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  - <https://automatiko.io>
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If you are interested and would like to explore more don't hesitate to reach out!



# Questions?