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Preface

With the increasing popularity of Big Data in enterprise, every day more and more workloads are being shifted to Hadoop.

To run those regular processing jobs on Hadoop, we need a scheduler that can act as cron for all data pipelines. Oozie plays this role in the Big Data world.

This book introduces you to the world of Oozie using a step-by-step case study-based approach.

What this book covers

Chapter 1, Setting up Oozie, covers how to install and configure Oozie in Hadoop cluster. We will also learn how to install Oozie from the source code.

Chapter 2, My First Oozie Job, covers running a "Hello World" equivalent first Oozie job. It also introduces the concept of Workflow, Coordinator, and Bundles.

Chapter 3, Oozie Fundamentals, introduces the fundamental concepts of control nodes, expression language, web console, and running Oozie jobs from Hue.

Chapter 4, Running MapReduce Jobs, teaches how to run MapReduce jobs from Oozie and explores the concepts of Coordinators, Datasets, and cron-based frequency schedules.

Chapter 5, Running Pig Jobs, teaches how to run Pig jobs from Oozie. We will also cover the concept of parameterization of Datasets and Coordinator controls.

Chapter 6, Running Hive Jobs, introduces how to run Hive jobs and discusses the concepts of parameterization of Coordinator actions.

Chapter 7, Running Sqoop Jobs, shows how to run Sqoop jobs from Oozie and introduces the concept of HCatalog Datasets and EL functions.

Chapter 8, Running Spark Jobs, shows how to run Spark jobs. It also introduces the concept of Bundles and how they are used to group a set of Coordinator jobs.

Chapter 9, Running Oozie in Production, covers how to package the code for production deployments and how to rerun the jobs that have failed.

What you need for this book

To follow the tutorial and code examples in this book, you need to have access to Hadoop cluster or you can configure a single node virtual machine-based cluster. You should have a good laptop/desktop, preferably with a Linux operating system or Windows with VirtualBox installed.

Who this book is for

This book is for anyone who is familiar with basics of Hadoop and Hive, and now wants to automate the data and machine learning pipelines using Apache Oozie.

Conventions

In this book, you will find a number of text styles that distinguish between different kinds of information. Here are some examples of these styles and an explanation of their meaning.

Code words in text, database table names, folder names, filenames, file extensions, pathnames, dummy URLs, user input, and Twitter handles are shown as follows: "Now, edit the torro file placed at the /etc/tor/ directory."

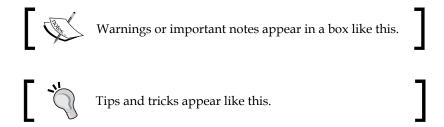
Most of the code in the book is XML. A block of code is set as follows:

```
</fs>
  <ok to="End"/>
    <error to="Kill"/>
    </action>
  <end name="End"/>
</workflow-app>
```

Any command-line input or output is written as follows:

\$ hadoop fs -ls /user/hue/learn_oozie

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1 Setting up Oozie

Oozie is a workflow scheduler system to run Apache Hadoop jobs. Oozie Workflow jobs are **Directed Acyclic Graphs** (**DAGs**) of actions. More information on DAG can be found at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Directed_acyclic_graph. Actions tell *what* to do in the job. Oozie supports running jobs of various types such as Java, Map-reduce, Pig, Hive, Sqoop, Spark, and Distcp. The output of one action can be consumed by the next action to create a chain sequence.

Oozie has client-server architecture, in which we install the server for storing the jobs and using client we submit our jobs to the server.

In this chapter, we will learn how to install Oozie for learning purpose and in production. For learning purposes, we will build Oozie from the source code, and for production we will use Hadoop distribution by Hortonworks. Throughout the book, we will use Hortonworks single node virtual machine. If you are using a different Hadoop distribution, you should not worry at all. All distribution packages are the same for Oozie software, which is made by the Apache community (http://oozie.apache.org).

After reading this chapter, we will be able to:

- Configure Oozie in Hortonworks distribution using Ambari
- Install Oozie using the source code provided as tar ball by the Apache Oozie website

Configuring Oozie in Hortonworks distribution

In this section, we will learn how to configure Oozie inside Hortonworks Hadoop distribution using Ambari. We will configure the Oozie server to use a MySQL database instead of the default Derby database to store all job information.

We will use a virtual machine to learn how to configure Oozie in Hortonworks Hadoop distribution. Most of other distributions, such as Cloudera, Pivotal, and so on, have similar steps.

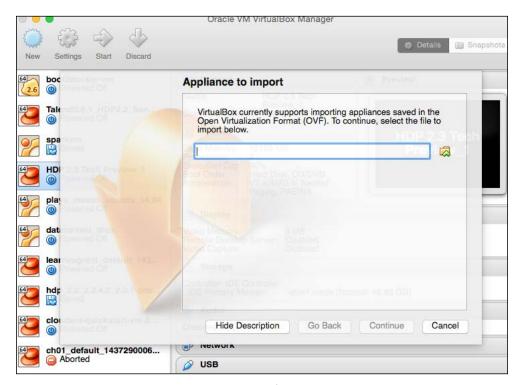
Let's start with the following steps:

- 1. If you don't have VirtualBox on your machine, then download and install VirtualBox from https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads.
- 2. Download the Hortonworks single node virtual machine from http://hortonworks.com/hdp/downloads/. It will take 1-2 hours depending upon your Internet connection speed.



It is always good to store the virtual machine images in a common folder. For example, I have folder in my machine such as ~/dev/vm/. It makes virtual machine image management easier.

3. After the download is complete, open the VirtualBox and click on **File** | **Import Appliance**:



Import appliance