

# Azure Synapse Analytics



Paul's view on features.

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## Summary

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| Capability | Feature                       | Status | Narrative                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------|-------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Primary    | Workspace                     |        | Deployment approach needs custom build, like what has been done for ADF.                                                                                                                     |
|            | Data Lake Storage             |        | Consider permissions and integration if used as the metadata store and main data store.                                                                                                      |
|            | Power BI Integration          |        | Workspace integration unstable. Disconnected DevOps. No cross tenant support.                                                                                                                |
|            | Spark Compute Pools           |        | Using Spark 2.4. Performance concerns. Cluster currency/stability/cost. Delta Optimize missing.                                                                                              |
|            | SQL On-Demand                 |        | Common HIVE Metadata Delta Tables not yet supported.                                                                                                                                         |
|            | SQL Pools (SQLDW)             |        | Concurrency limits for resource classes still apply. <a href="https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/synapse-analytics/sql-data-warehouse/sql-data-warehouse-concurrency">docs.microsoft</a> |
|            | Data Flows                    |        | Uses Spark compute pools, not Databricks.                                                                                                                                                    |
|            | Integration Pipelines         |        | Linked Hosted IR's missing. No SSIS Support.                                                                                                                                                 |
| Secondary  | Management API                |        | Lots of methods missing. Incomplete permissions model.                                                                                                                                       |
|            | .NET SDK                      |        | NuGet still in Beta. Classes missing from Namespace.                                                                                                                                         |
|            | Monitor & Diagnostic Settings |        | Some service metric outputs. Little auditing logs.                                                                                                                                           |
|            | VNet Integration              |        | Need to test full connectivity for all underlying parts of Synapse and check Firewall context.                                                                                               |
| External   | Synapse Link                  |        | New ComosDB instances only. Not all ComosDB API's types supported.                                                                                                                           |
|            | Purview                       |        | Still in preview. Roadmap unclear.                                                                                                                                                           |