Final Assignment (Part 1) - Creating ETL Data Pipelines using Apache Airflow



Estimated time needed: 90 minutes.

About This SN Labs Cloud IDE

This Skills Network Labs Cloud IDE provides a hands-on environment for course and project related labs. It utilizes Theia, an open-source IDE (Integrated Development Environment) platform, that can be run on desktop or on the cloud. To complete this lab, we will be using the Cloud IDE based on Theia and Apache Airflow and MySQL database running in a Docker container. You will also need an instance of DB2 running in IBM Cloud.

Important Notice about this lab environment

Please be aware that sessions for this lab environment are not persistent. A new environment is created for you every time you connect to this lab. Any data you may have saved in an earlier session will get lost. To avoid losing your data, please plan to complete these labs in a single session.

Scenario

You are a data engineer at a data analytics consulting company. You have been assigned to a project that aims to de-congest the national highways by analyzing the road traffic data from different toll plazas. Each highway is operated by a different toll operator with a different IT setup that uses different file formats. Your job is to collect data available in different formats and consolidate it into a single file.

Objectives

In this assignment you will author an Apache Airflow DAG that will:

- Extract data from a csv file
- Extract data from a tsv file
- Extract data from a fixed width file
- Transform the data
- Load the transformed data into the staging area

Note - Screenshots

Throughout this lab you will be prompted to take screenshots and save them on your own device. These screenshots will need to be uploaded for peer review in the next section of the course. You can use various free screengrabbing tools or your operating system's shortcut keys (Alt + PrintScreen in Windows, for example) to capture the required screenshots.

Exercise 1 - Prepare the lab environment

Before you start the assignment:

- Start Apache Airflow.
- Download the dataset from the source to the destination mentioned below.

Source: https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DB0250EN-

SkillsNetwork/labs/Final%20Assignment/tolldata.tgz

Destination: /home/project/airflow/dags/finalassignment

Create a directory for staging area.

mkdir /home/project/airflow/dags/finalassignment/staging

Exercise 2 - Create a DAG

Task 1.1 - Define DAG arguments

Define the DAG arguments as per the following details:

Parameter	Value	
owner	< You may use any dummy name>	
start_date	today	
email	< You may use any dummy email>	
email_on_failure	True	
email_on_retry	True	
retries	1	
retry_delay	5 minutes	

Take a screenshot of the task code.

Name the screenshot dag_args.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.2 - Define the DAG

Create a DAG as per the following details.

Parameter	Value
DAG id	ETL_toll_data
Schedule	Daily once
default_args	as you have defined in the previous step
description	Apache Airflow Final Assignment

Take a screenshot of the command you used and the output.

Name the screenshot dag_definition.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.3 - Create a task to unzip data

Create a task named unzip_data.

Use the downloaded data from the url given in the first part of this assignment in exercise 1 and uncompress it into the destination directory.

Take a screenshot of the task code.

Name the screenshot unzip_data.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Read through the file fileformats.txt to understand the column details.

Task 1.4 - Create a task to extract data from csv file

Create a task named extract_data_from_csv.

This task should extract the fields Rowid, Timestamp, Anonymized Vehicle number, and Vehicle type from the vehicle-data.csv file and save them into a file named csv_data.csv.

Take a screenshot of the task code.

Name the screenshot extract_data_from_csv.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.5 - Create a task to extract data from tsv file

Create a task named extract_data_from_tsv.

This task should extract the fields Number of axles, Tollplaza id, and Tollplaza code from the tollplaza-data.tsv file and save it into a file named tsv_data.csv.

Take a screenshot of the task code.

Name the screenshot extract_data_from_tsv.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.6 - Create a task to extract data from fixed width file

Create a task named extract_data_from_fixed_width.

This task should extract the fields Type of Payment code, and Vehicle Code from the fixed width file payment-data.txt and save it into a file named fixed_width_data.csv.

Take a screenshot of the task code.

Name the screenshot extract_data_from_fixed_width.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.7 - Create a task to consolidate data extracted from previous tasks

Create a task named consolidate_data.

This task should create a single csv file named extracted_data.csv by combining data from

- csv_data.csv
- tsv_data.csv
- fixed_width_data.csv

The final csv file should use the fields in the order given below:

Rowid, Timestamp, Anonymized Vehicle number, Vehicle type, Number of axles, Tollplaza id, Tollplaza code, Type of Payment code, and Vehicle Code

Hint: Use the bash paste command.

paste command merges lines of files.

Example:paste file1 file2 > newfile

The above command merges the columns of the files file1 and file2 and sends the output to newfile.

You can use the command man paste to explore more.

Take a screenshot of the command you used and the output.

Name the screenshot consolidate_data.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.8 - Transform and load the data

Create a task named transform_data.

This task should transform the vehicle_type field in extracted_data.csv into capital letters and save it into a file named transformed_data.csv in the staging directory.

Take a screenshot of the command you used and the output.

Name the screenshot transform.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.9 - Define the task pipeline

Define the task pipeline as per the details given below:

Task	Functionality		
First task	unzip_data		
Second task	extract_data_from_csv		
Third task	extract_data_from_tsv		
Fourth task	extract_data_from_fixed_width		
Fifth task	consolidate_data		
Sixth task	transform_data		

Take a screenshot of the task pipeline section of the DAG.

Name the screenshot task_pipeline.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Exercise 3 - Getting the DAG operational.

Save the DAG you defined into a file named ETL_toll_data.py.

Task 1.10 - Submit the DAG

Take a screenshot of the command you used and the output.

Name the screenshot submit_dag.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.11 - Unpause the DAG

Take a screenshot of the command you used and the output.

Name the screenshot unpause_dag.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

Task 1.12 - Monitor the DAG

Take a screenshot of the DAG runs for the Airflow console.

Name the screenshot dag_runs.jpg. (Images can be saved with either the .jpg or .png extension.)

This concludes the assignment.

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