

# A DATA ENGINEERS TOOLKIT



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# SO WHAT IS DATA ENGINEERING?



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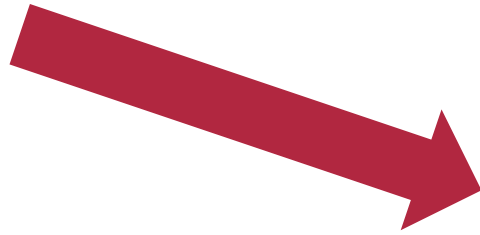


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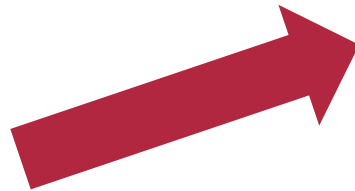
**BI Developer**

*“Just a glorified  
ETL Developer”*



*“A cog in the data  
science process”*

**Data Scientist**



*“Just a developer that  
happens to focus on  
data”*



**Data Engineer**



**Software Engineer**





## BI Developer

- Warehousing
- Kimball
- Data Quality



## Software Engineer

- Architecture Design
- DevOps
- Agile Development



## Data Scientist

- Big Data Tools
- ML Engineering
- Exploratory Analysis



Data Engineer



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# EVOLVING ARCHITECTURES



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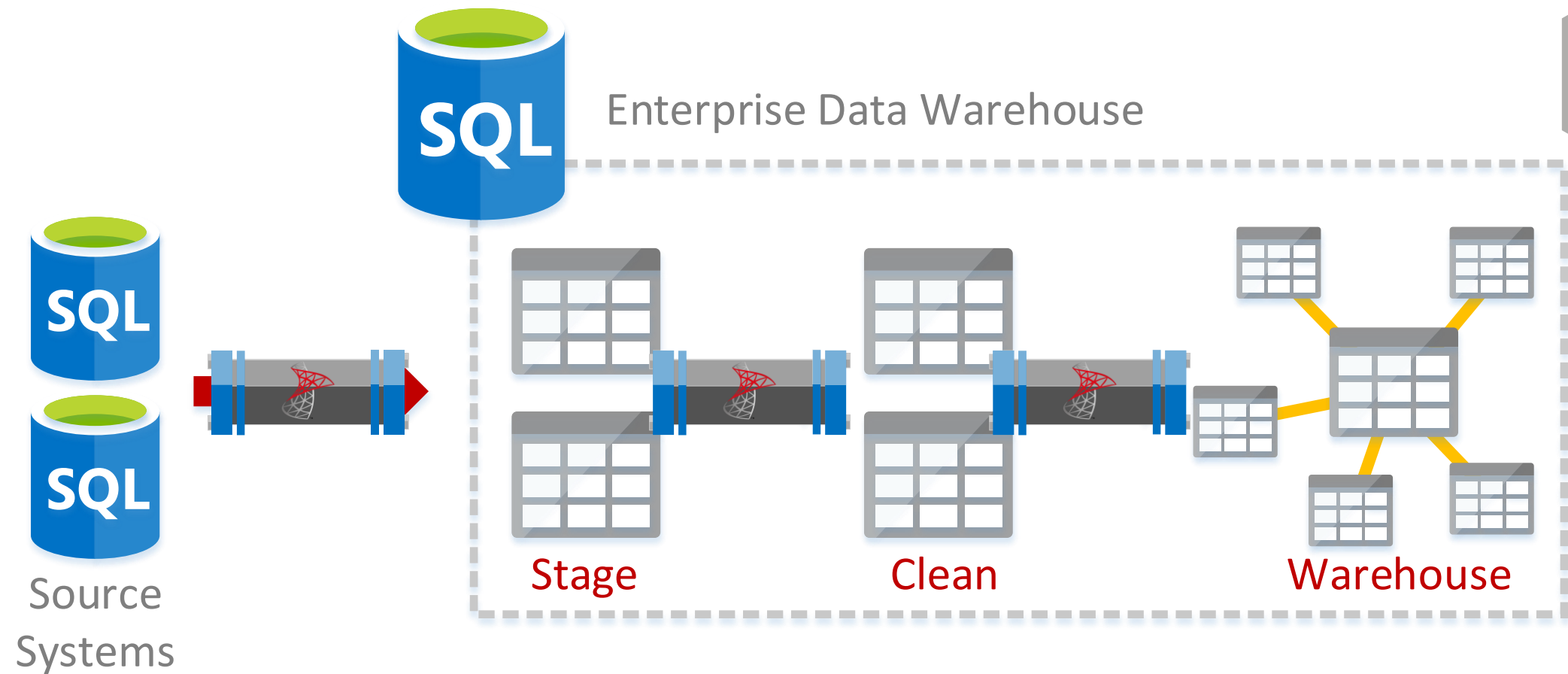


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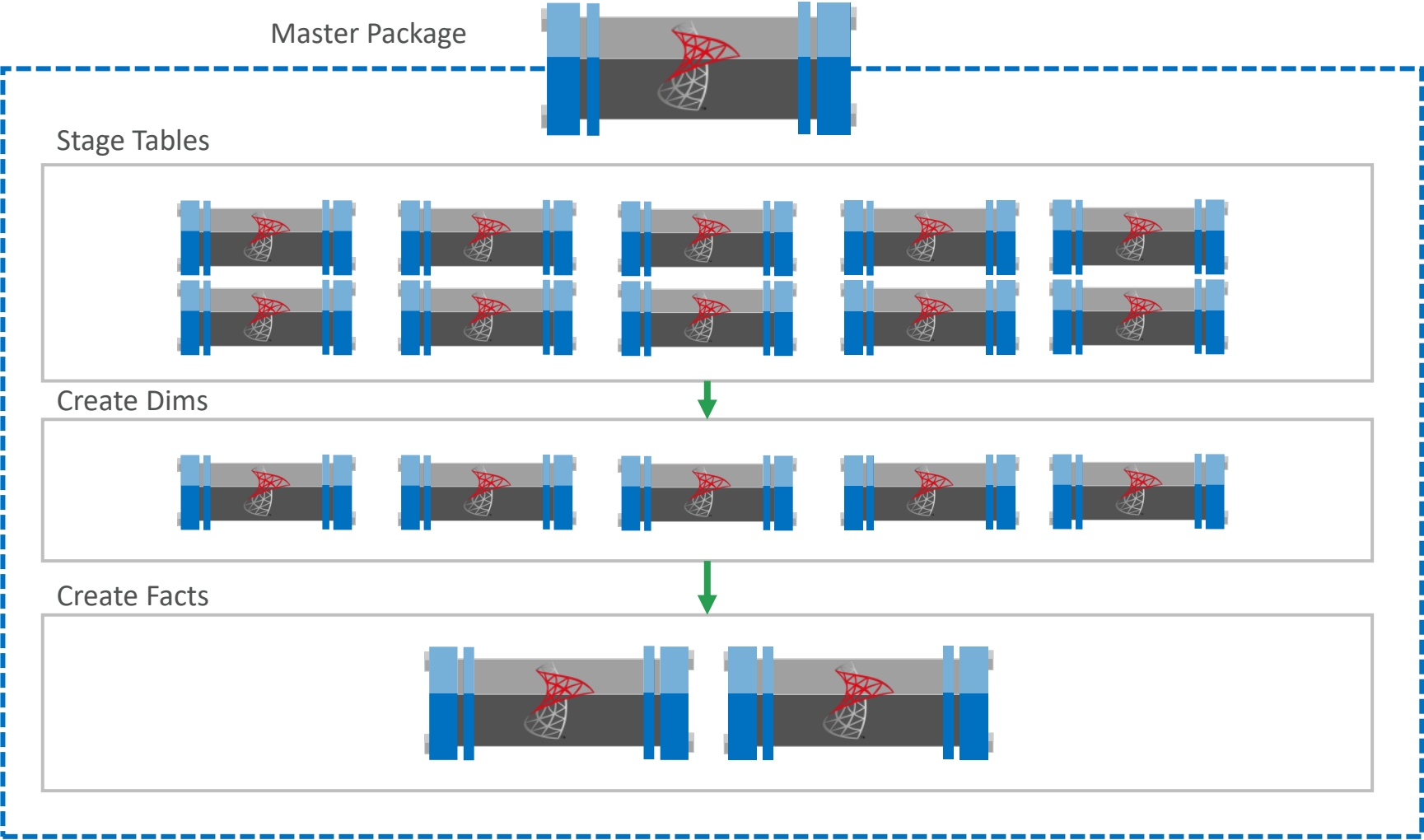


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# THE OLD WORLD



# PACKAGE ORCHESTRATION



# OUR ETL TOOL CHECKLIST



- Low Dev Effort
- Many Use Cases
- Flexible Formats
- Elastic Scaling
- Agile
- Support
























# SO MOVE TO AZURE, IT'S EASY RIGHT?

















## DATABASES (19)

 Azure Cosmos DB	 Azure SQL	 SQL databases
 Azure Database for MySQL servers	 Azure Database for PostgreSQL servers	 Azure Database for MariaDB servers
 SQL servers	 Dedicated SQL pools (formerly SQL DW)	 Azure Database Migration Services
 Azure Cache for Redis	 SQL Server stretch databases	 Data factories
 SQL elastic pools	 Virtual clusters	 Managed databases
 Elastic Job agents	 SQL managed instances	 SQL virtual machines
 SQL Server registries		

PREVIEW

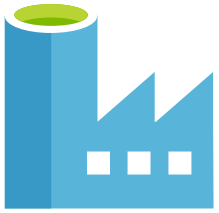
PREVIEW

## ANALYTICS (14)

 Dedicated SQL pools (formerly SQL DW)	 Azure Databricks	 HDInsight clusters
 Data factories	 Power BI Embedded	 Stream Analytics jobs
 Data Lake Analytics	 Analysis Services	 Event Hubs
 Event Hubs Clusters	 Log Analytics workspaces	 Data Lake Storage Gen1
 Azure Data Explorer Clusters	 Power Platform	

PREVIEW

## MORE REALISTICALLY, WE HAVE SEVERAL KEY OPTIONS



**Azure Data  
Factory**

Visual cloud-native  
Orchestration.  
Excellent at moving  
data between sources



**Databricks**

Spark as a service,  
powerful multi-language  
big data engine. Supports  
SQL but best with  
Python/Scala

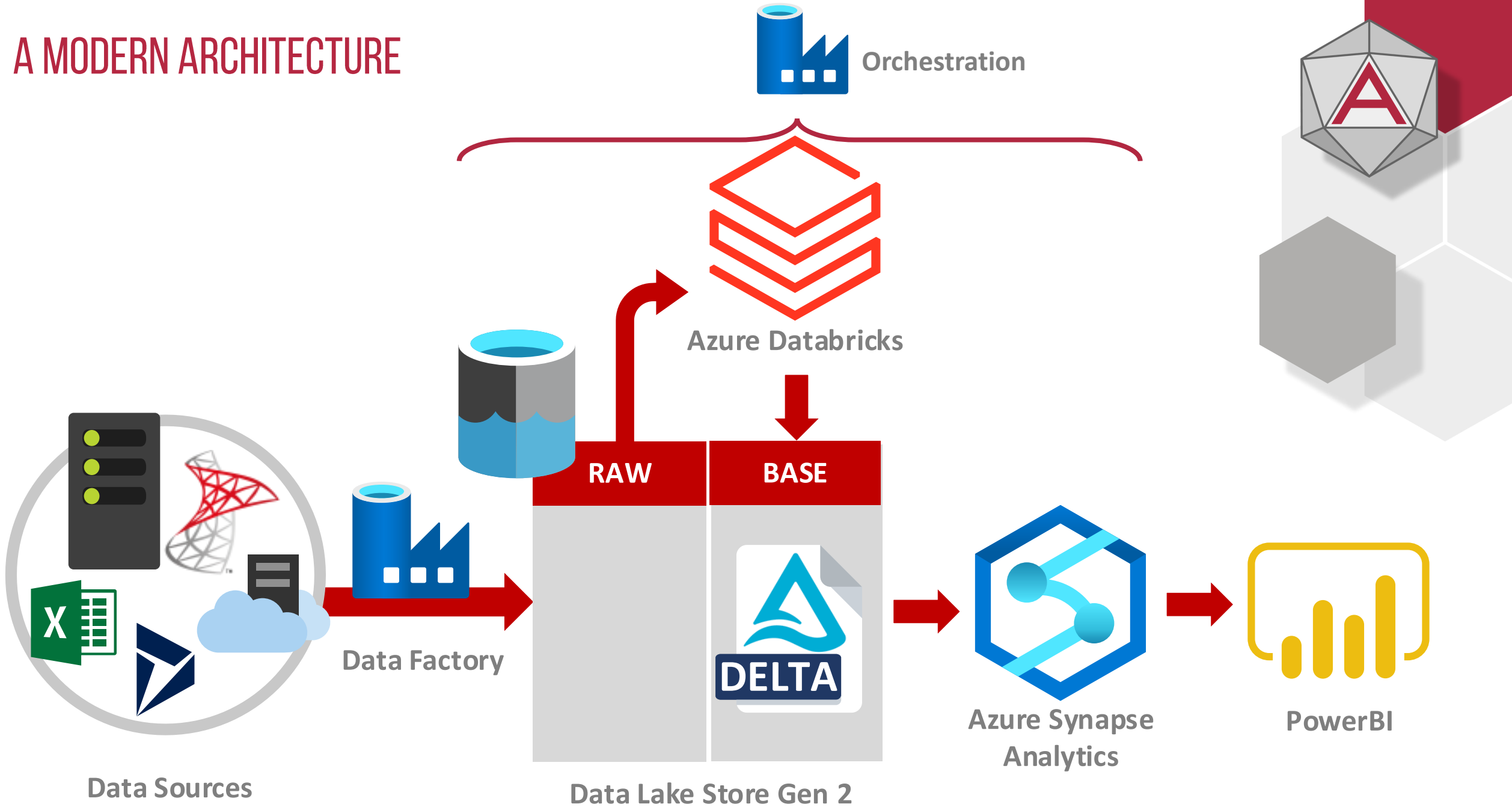


**Azure Synapse  
Analytics**

Suite of tools ranging  
from orchestration to  
engineering & full  
data warehousing



# A MODERN ARCHITECTURE





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# ORCHESTRATION & INTEGRATION



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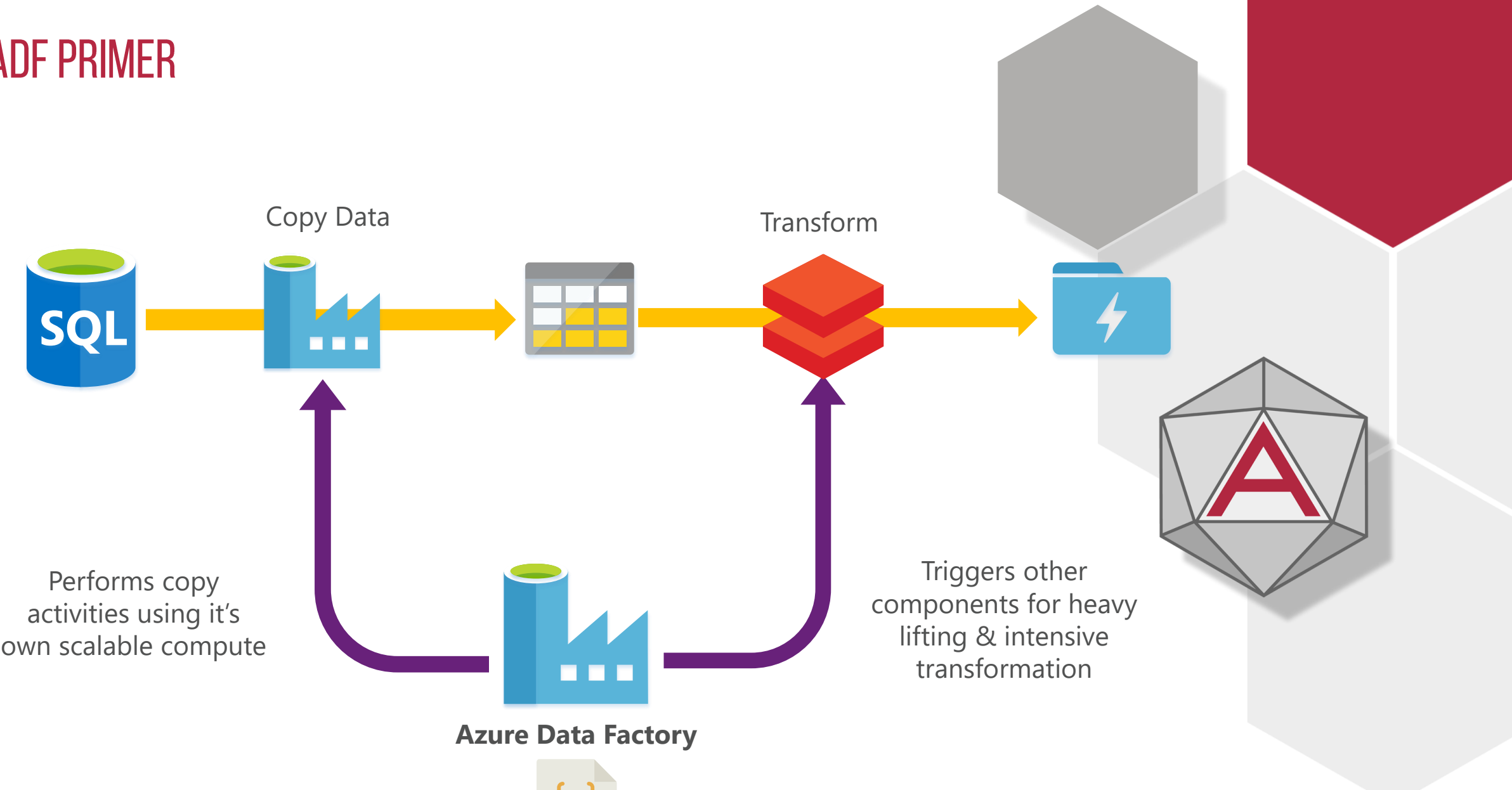


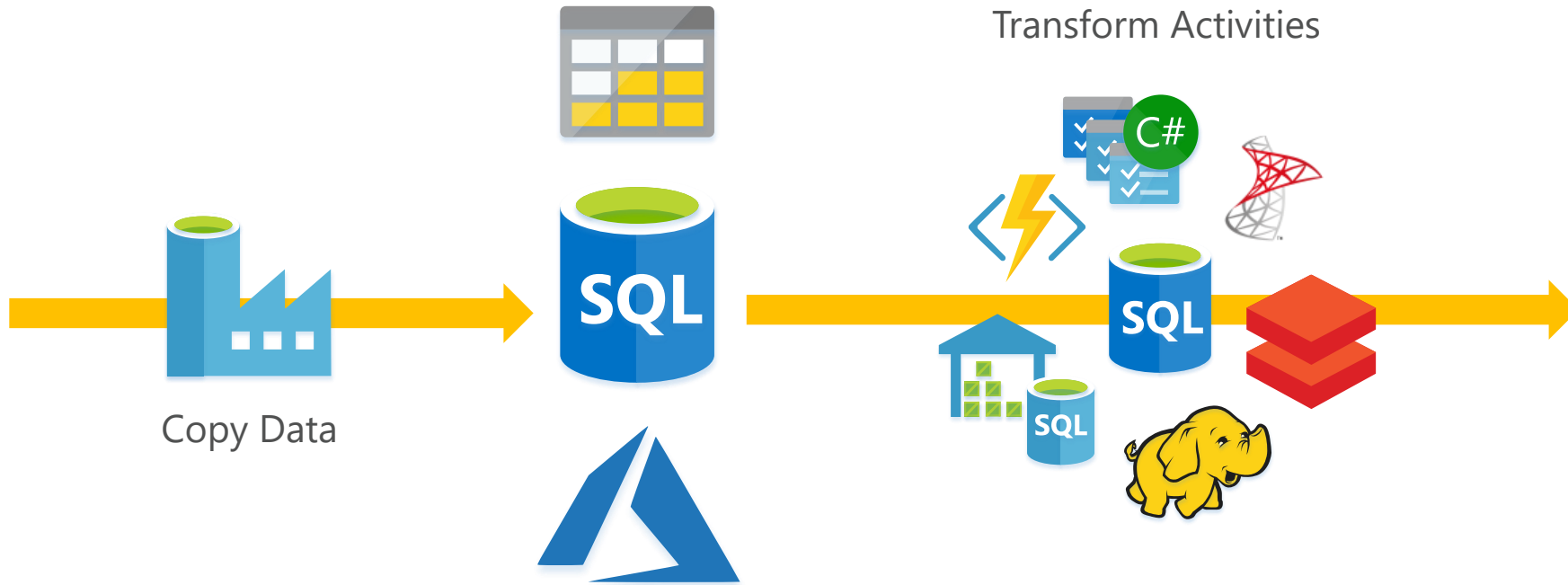
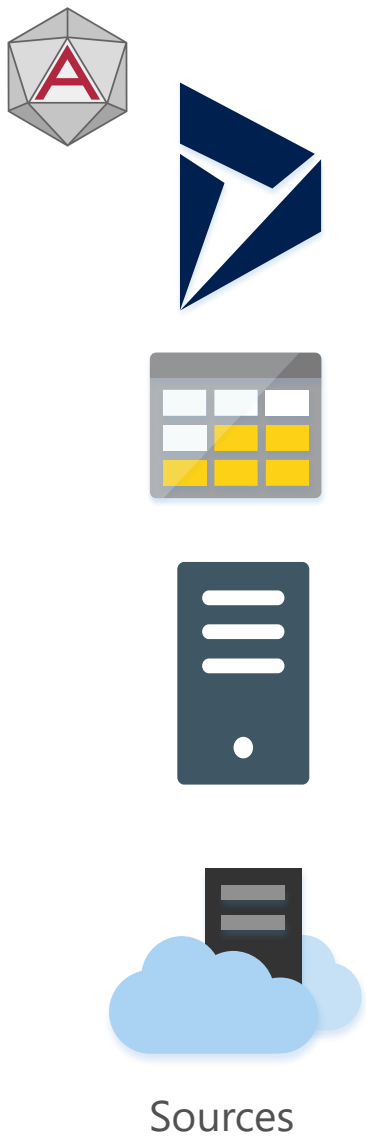
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# AN ADF PRIMER





# DEVELOPER TOOLS

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Azure DevOps GIT

master branch

Validate all

Save all

Publish

Refresh

Discard all

Data flow debug

ARM template

Factory Resources

Filter resources by name

Pipelines10

Execute Adventureworks Load

Master Control

0 - Source2Raw2

1 - RawToBase2

2 - BaseToEnrich2

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Move & transform

Azure Data Explorer

Azure Function

Batch Service

Databricks

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General

HDInsight

Iteration & conditionals

Machine Learning

Master Control

R2B\_CSV\_CleanseCSV

R2B\_CSV\_Parent

Execute Adventure...

B2E\_Single

Save as template

Validate

Debug

Add trigger

Start Process

Run Enrichment Notebook

Fail Process

Finalise Process

Log Process Throughput

Add Dependencies to Queue



# MONITORING



Run

Cancel options

Refresh

Custom Range

04/02/2019 8:00 AM - 04/07/2019 8:00 AM

Time Zone

(UTC+00:00) Dublin, Edinburgh, Li...

View All Rerun History

Filter

All







Succeeded

In Progress

Queued

Failed

Cancelled

Pipeline Name	Actions	Run Start	Duration	Triggered By	Status	Parameters	Annotations	Error	RunID
RunNotebooks	 	04/03/2019, 6:08:10 PM	00:05:49	Manual trigger	 Succeeded				13ca5395-bb39-4559-a14
RunNotebooks	 	04/03/2019, 4:03:46 PM	00:00:37	Manual trigger	 Succeeded				5b101cf8-e105-4e1c-8f82


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Pipeline



SUCCEEDED RUNS

2

Activity



SUCCEEDED RUNS

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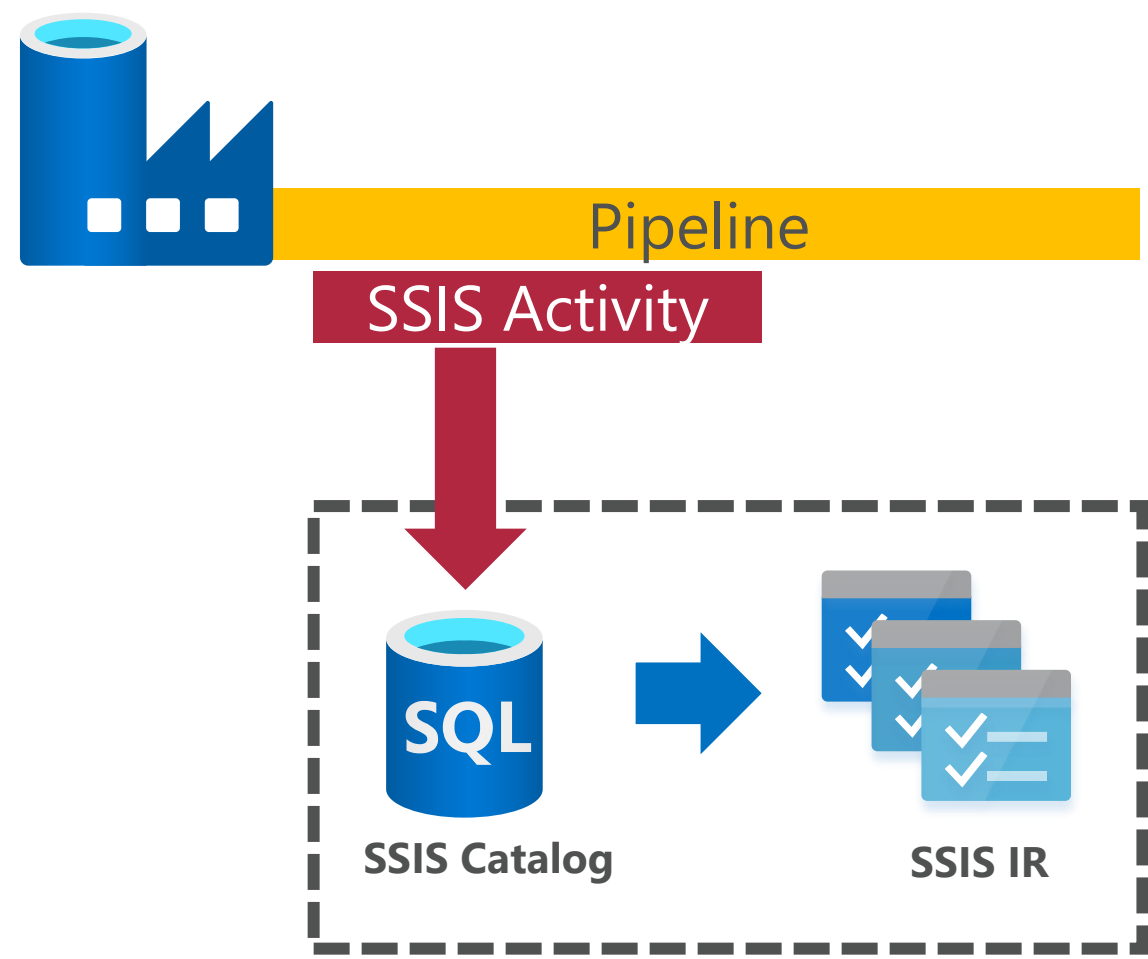


# A QUICK LOOK AT ADF

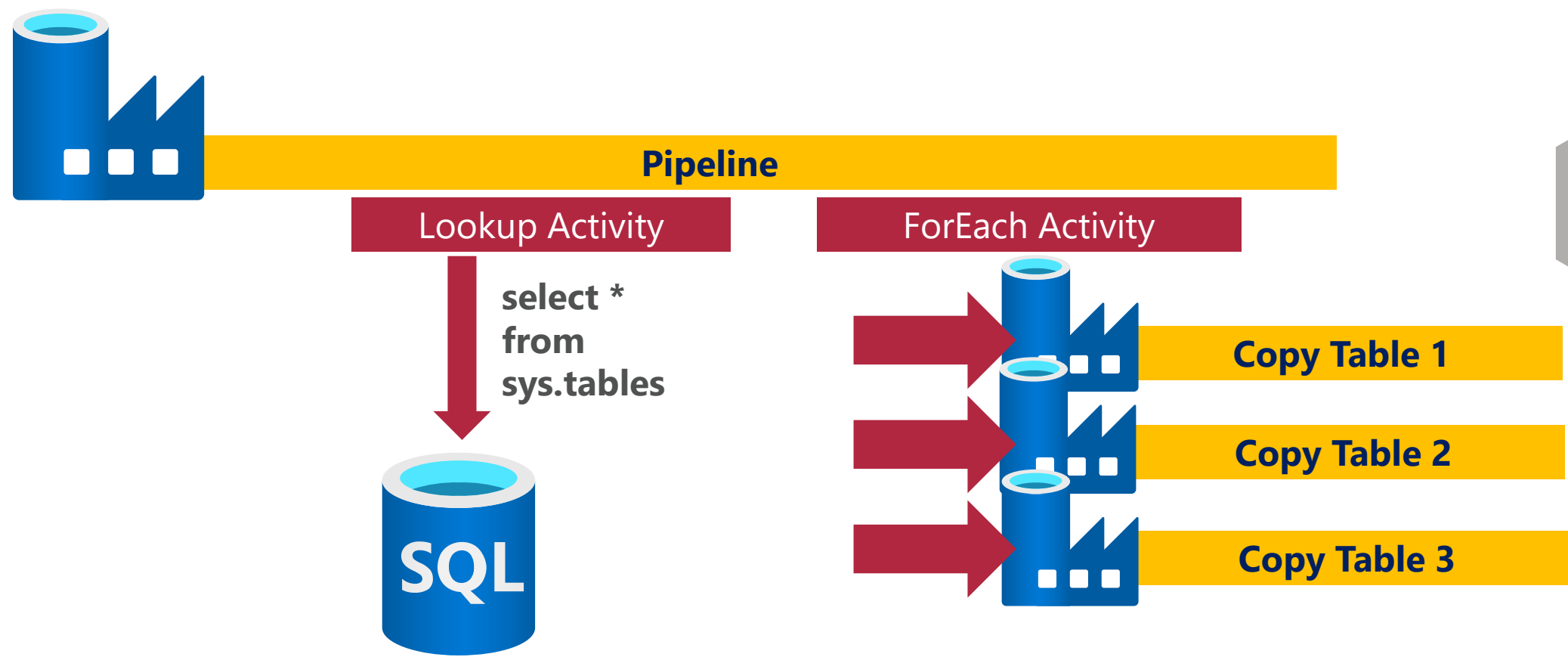
- The ADF Studio
- Object Concepts



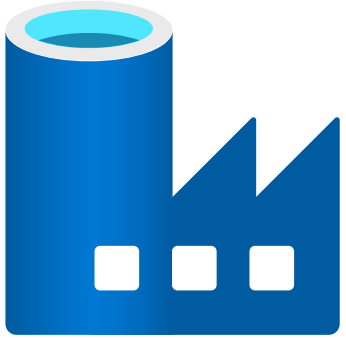
# SSIS – LIFT & SHIFT POTENTIAL



# USE THE FLEXIBILITY OF DATA FACTORY



# DATA FACTORY RECAP



- Orchestrates all data workflows in Azure
- Best method of onboarding data to Azure
- Use parameters, forEach and child executions



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# DATA PROCESSING



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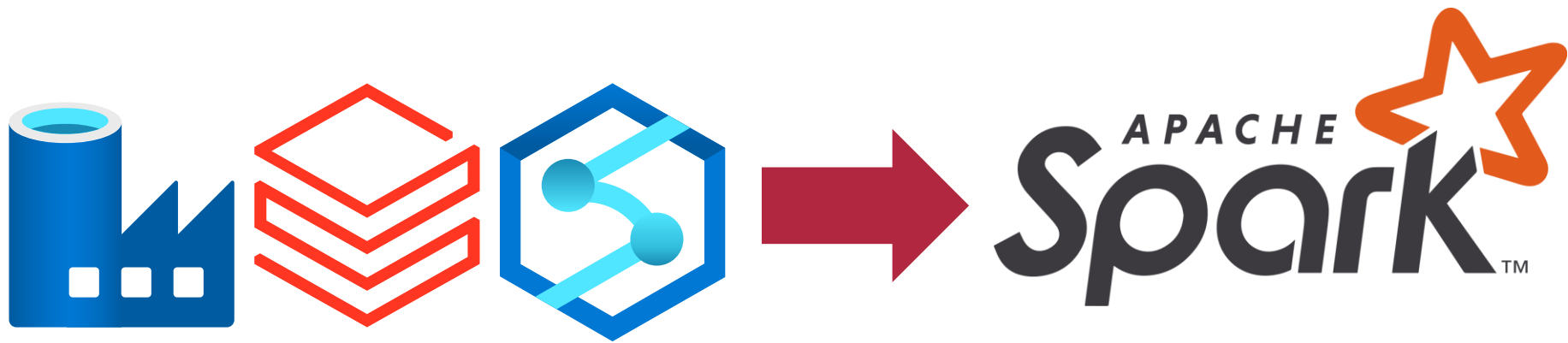
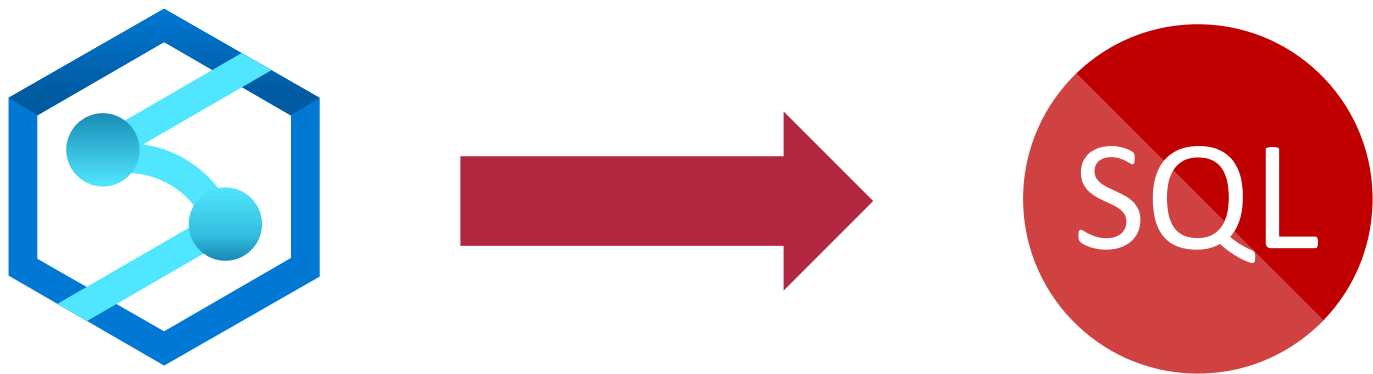


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# COMPUTE APPROACHES IN AZURE

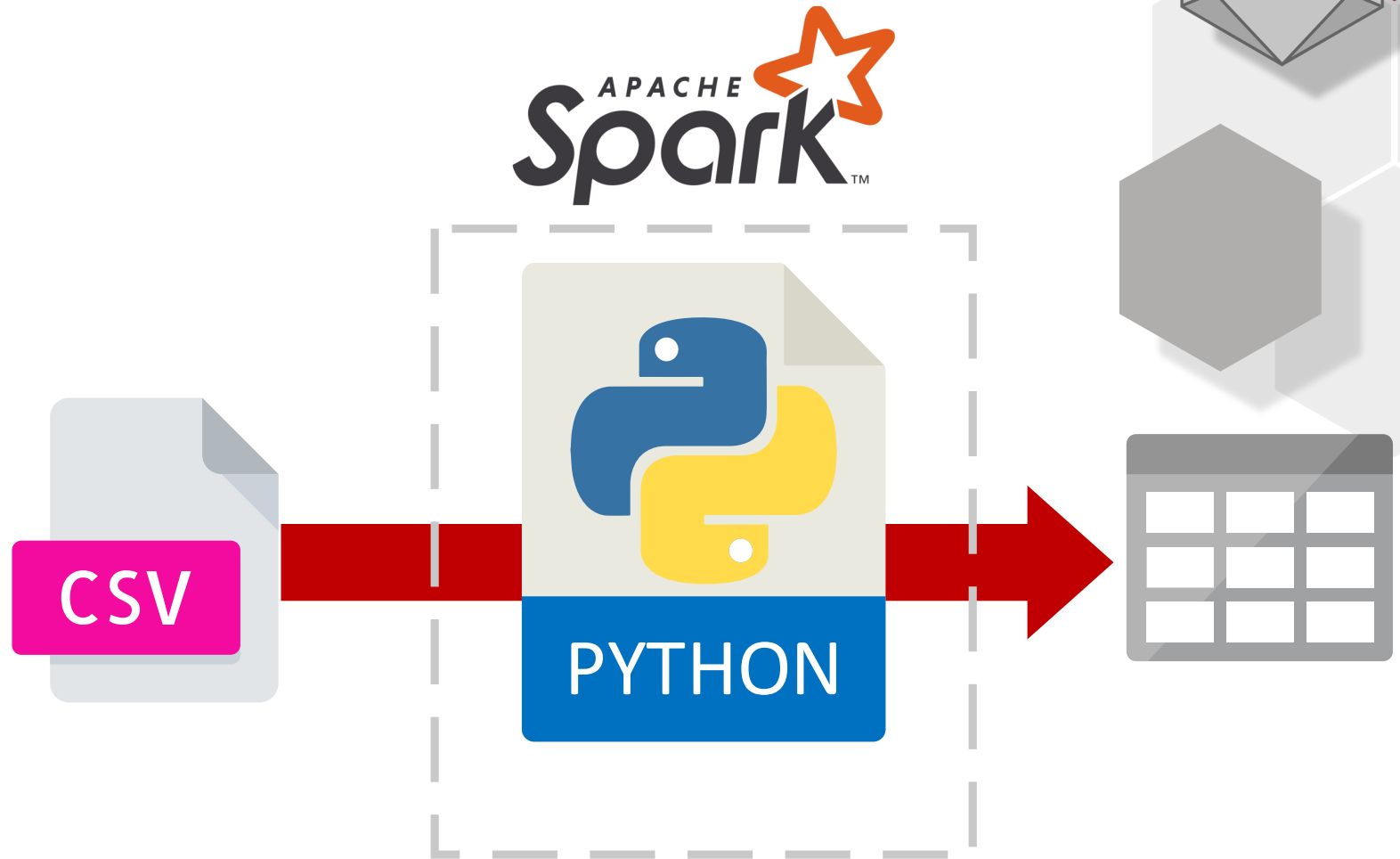


# QUICK SPARK OVERVIEW

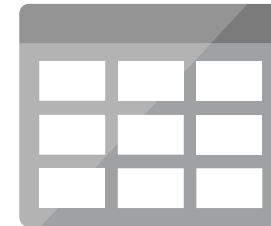
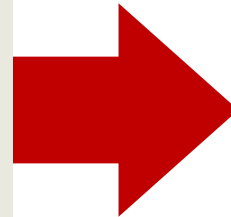
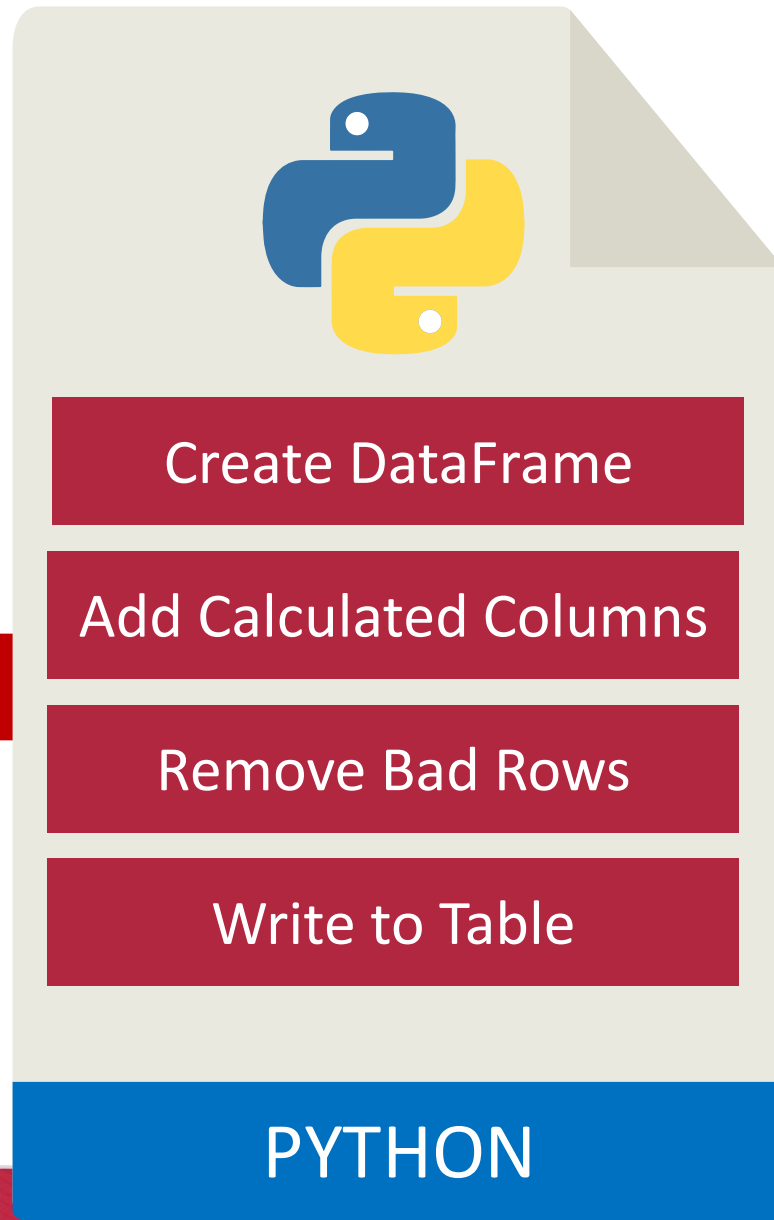
Spark is a distributed, scalable data processing engine.

It can query **structured** and **non-structured** data

You can use **Python**, **Scala**, **R**, **C#** or **SQL** to interact with it



SO WHAT?





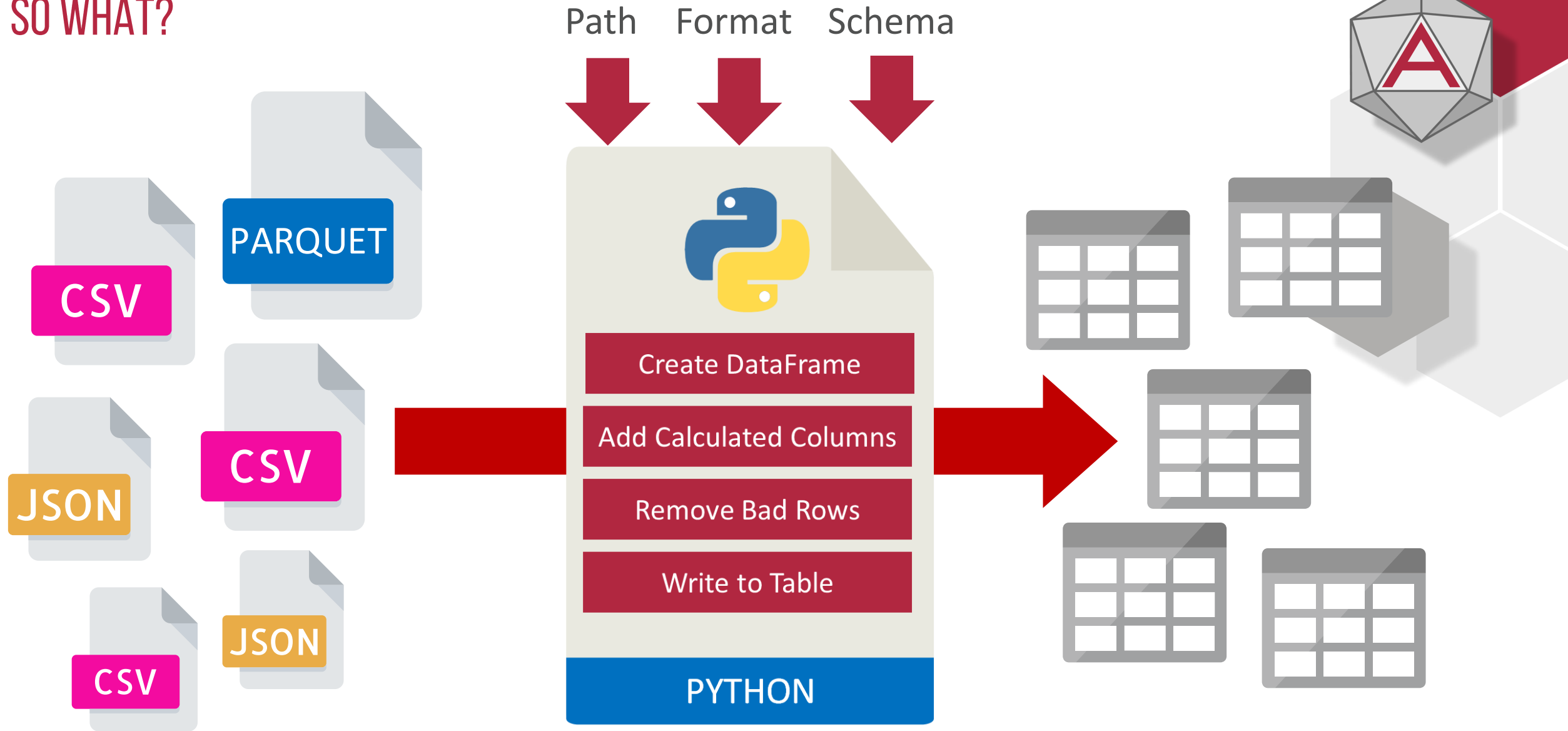


# DataFrame

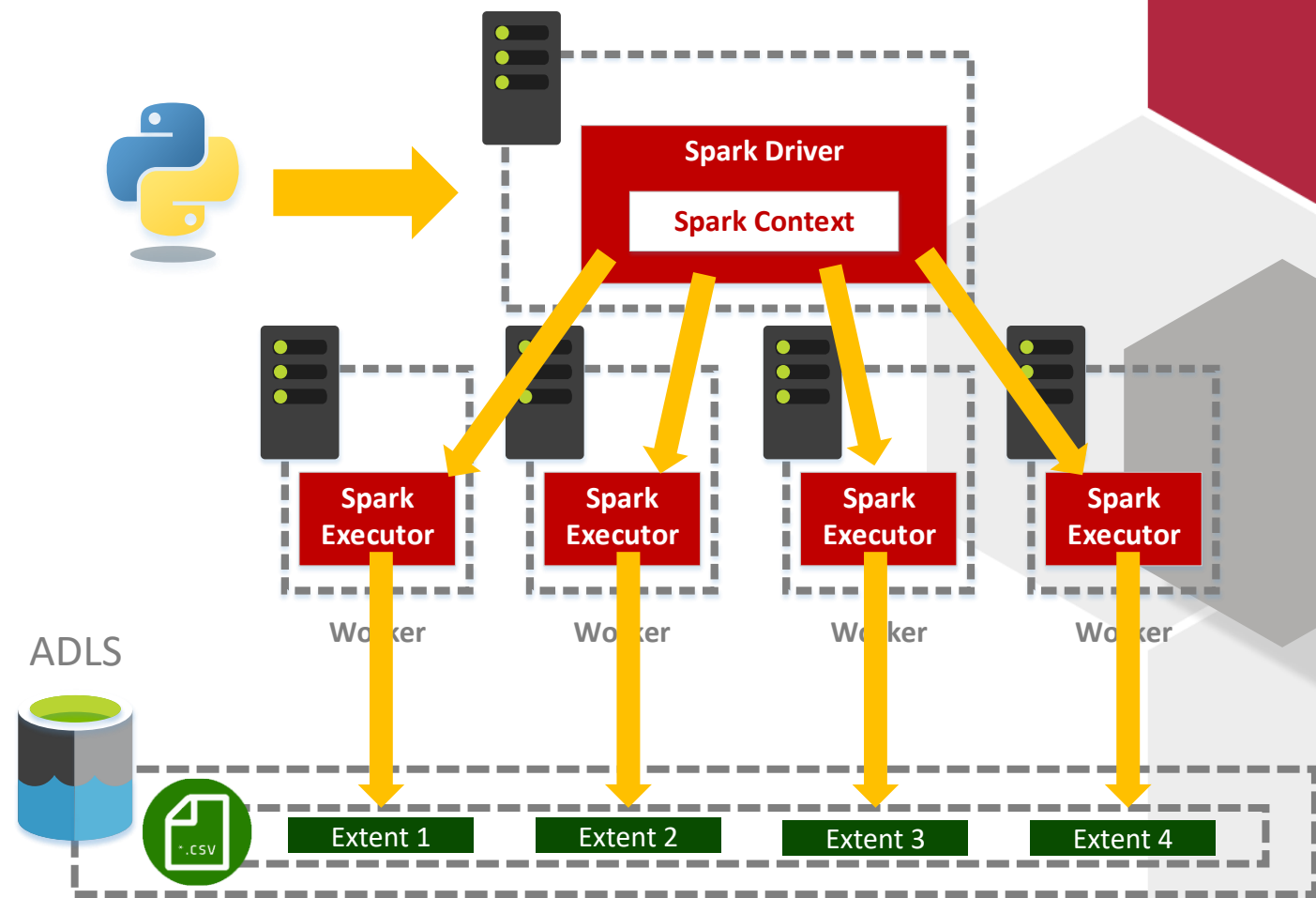
- Schema
- Format
- Location

```
df = (spark
      .read
      .schema(newSchema)
      .format(fileFormat)
      .load(dataLocation)
      )
```

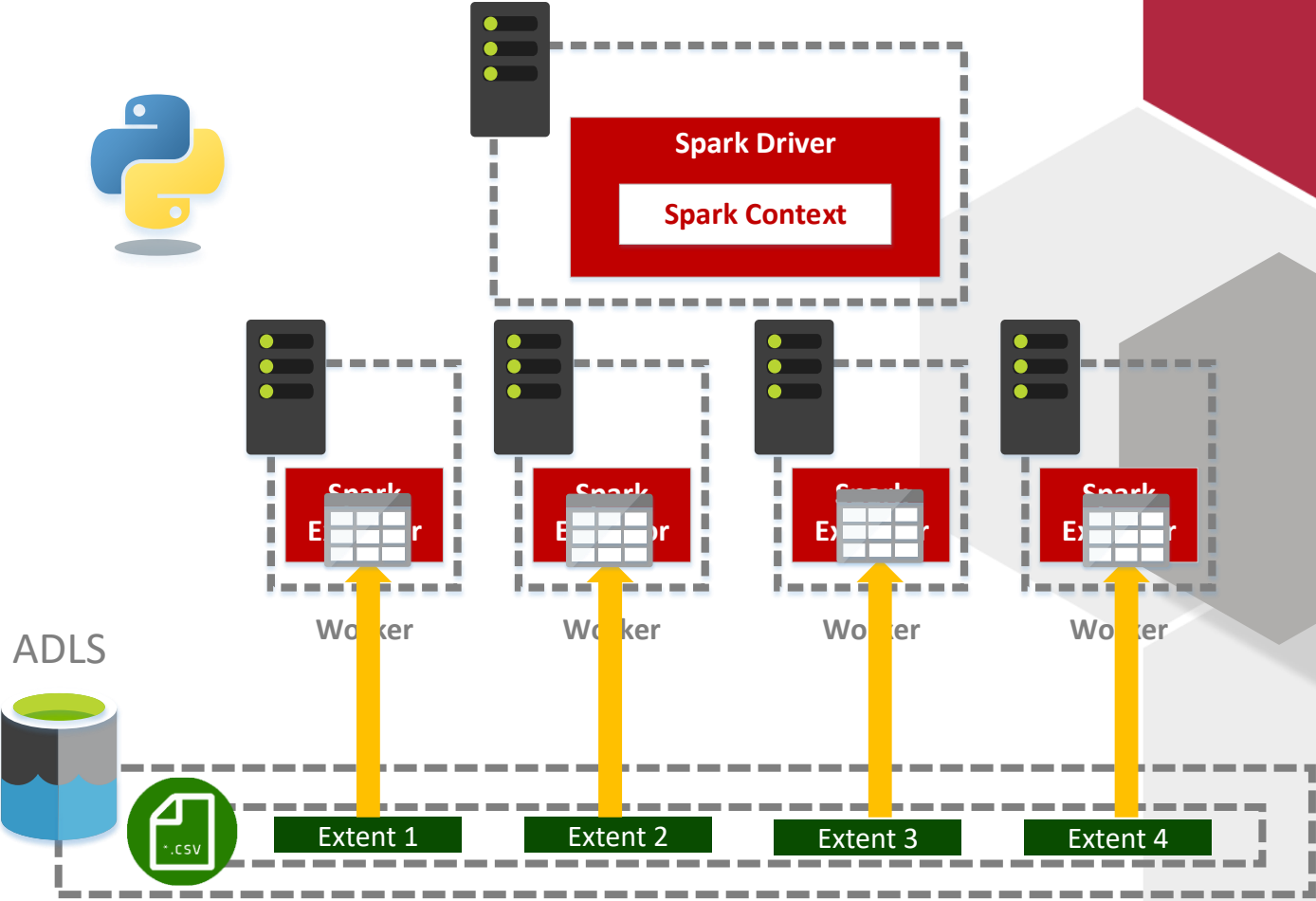
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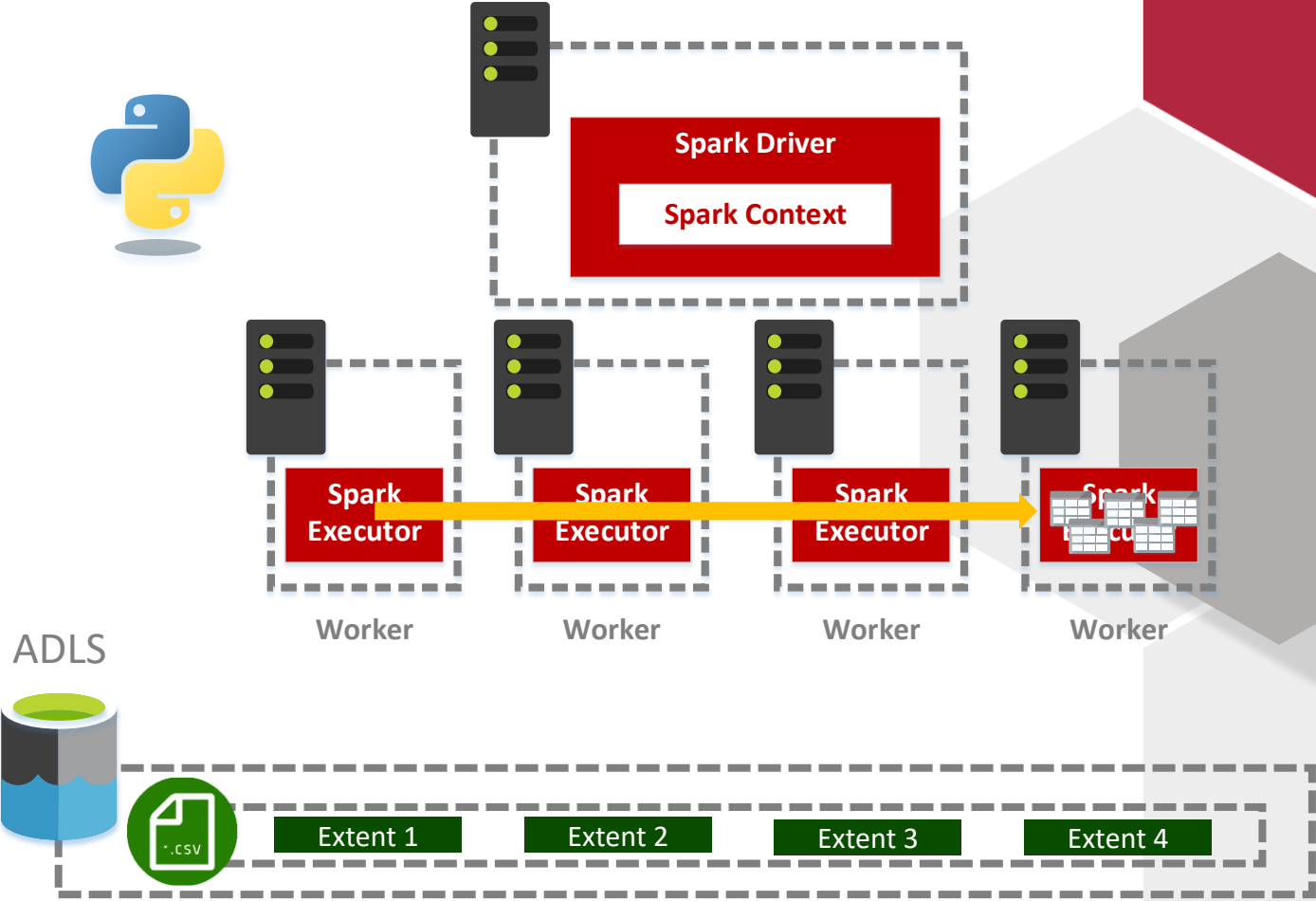
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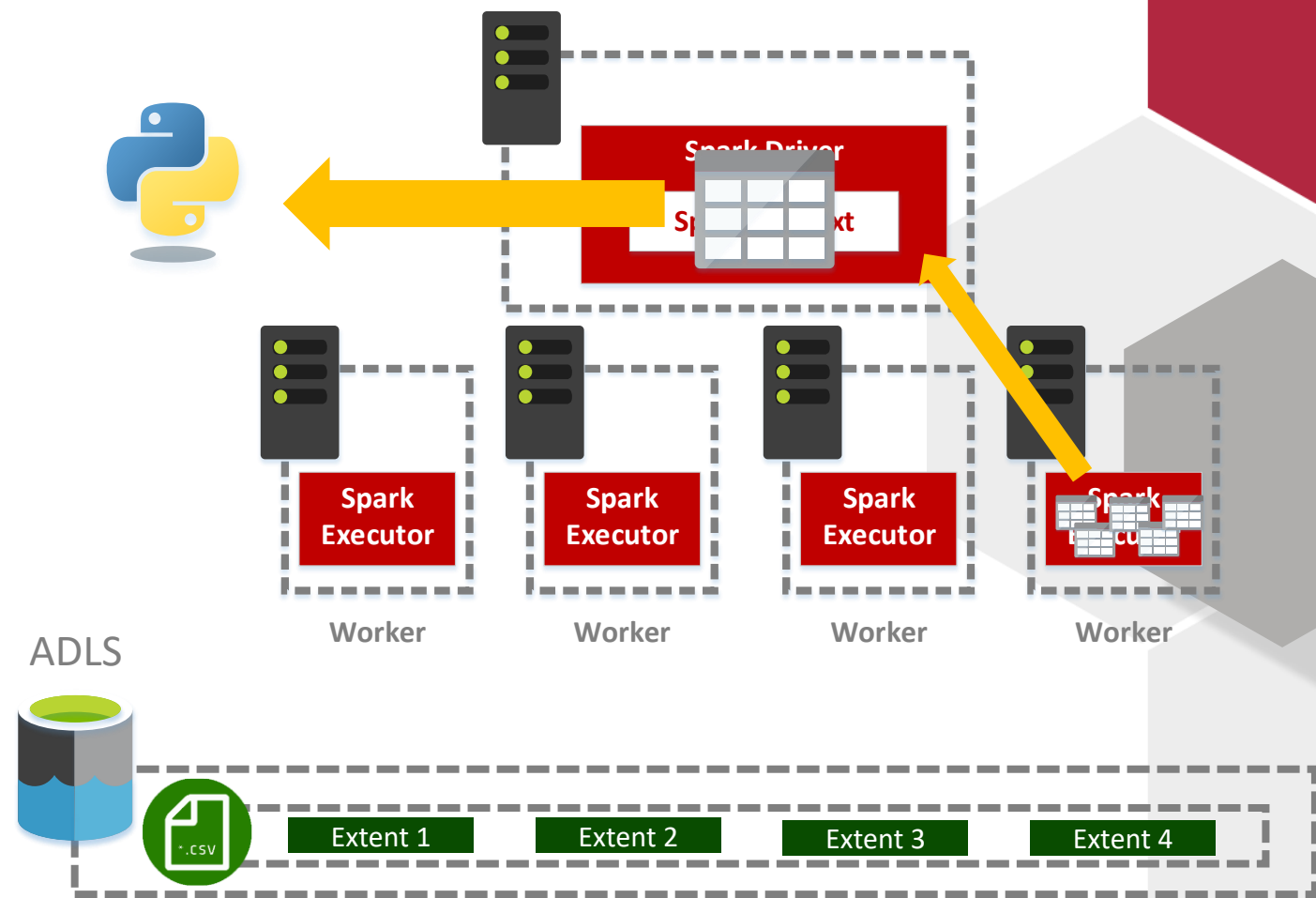
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# SPARK OPTIONS IN AZURE



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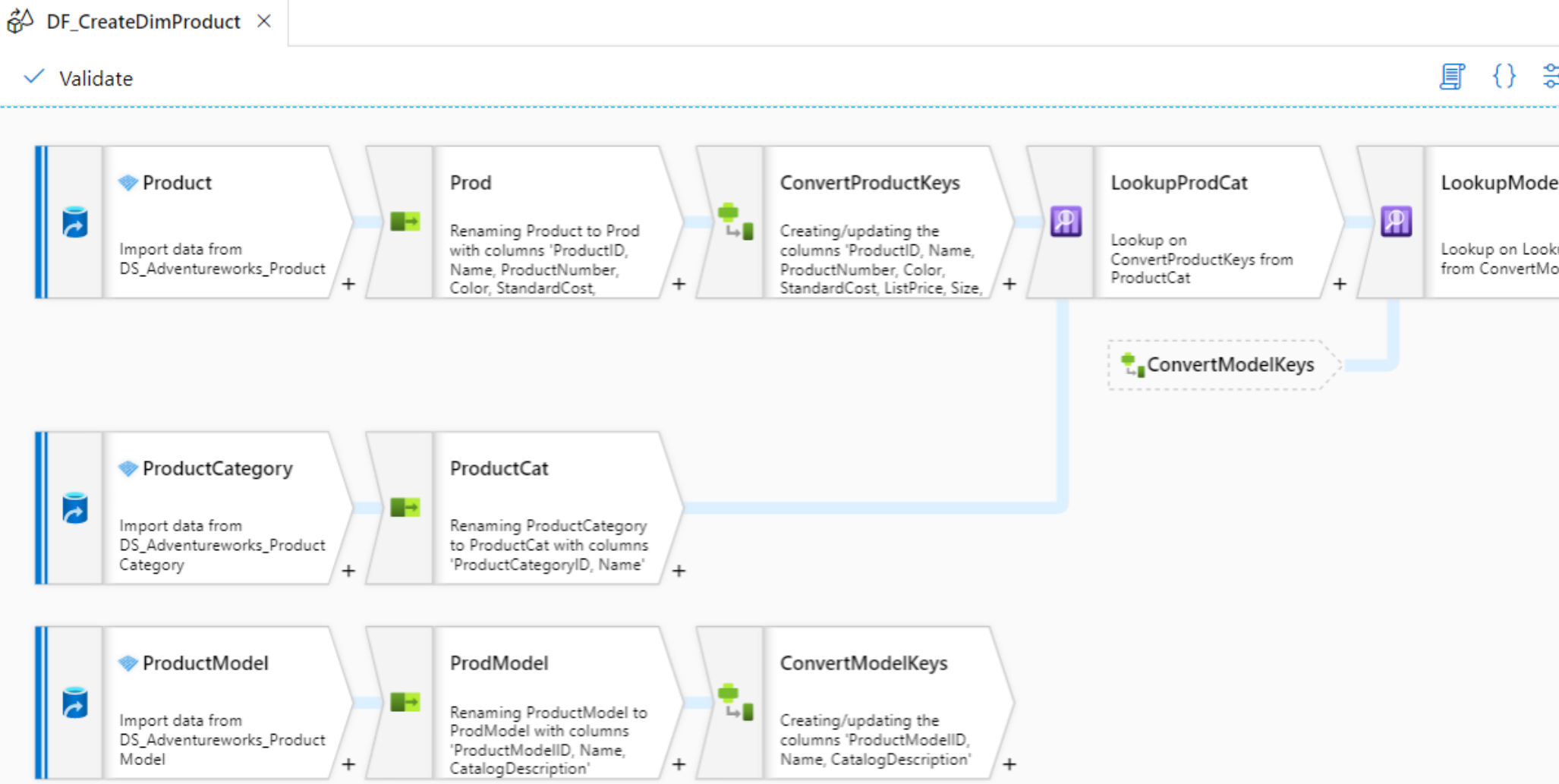
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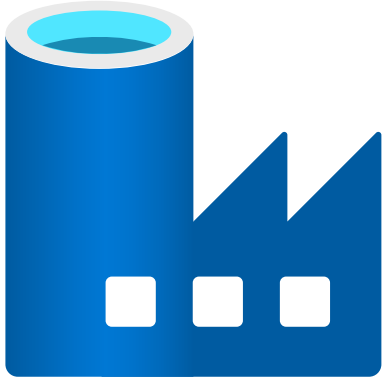


# AZURE DATA FACTORY – MAPPING DATA FLOWS





# AZURE DATA FACTORY – MAPPING DATA FLOWS



Mapping Data Flows are a **GUI-Based transformation tool**, modelled on SSIS Data Flows

They use a **managed Spark Engine** which gives you the power and scale of Spark, but without the programming overhead

They are **not as flexible** as full spark but are getting better all the time!



# AZURE DATABRICKS



Microsoft Azure | Databricks

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Home

Workspace

Recents

Data

Clusters

Jobs

Models

Search

Dynamic Validation (Python)

Detached

AdventureWorks Table : Product

Read the schema json for our selected file

I've stored a schema file for each of the data files in my lake. I can pick up the right file for the dataset selected by my widget

Cmd 7

```
1 #Load the relevant libraries to build schemas and read JSON
2 from pyspark.sql.types import *
3 import json
4
5 #Inject our filename into the lake path
6 schemaLocation = f"/mnt/dblake/RAW/Public/Adventureworks/SalesLT.{fileName}.json"
7
8 #Read the json file contents
9 jschemadf = sqlContext.read.text(schemaLocation)
10
11 #Pull out the first value (it's all one value but the reader turns it into a dataframe)
12 jschema = jschemadf.first().value
13
14 #Convert our JSON schema into a pyspark Struct which can be applied directly to a dataframe
15 newSchema = StructType.fromJson(json.loads(jschema))
16 newSchema
```

▶ (1) Spark Jobs

▶ jschemadf: pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame = [value: string]

Out[17]: StructType(List(StructField(ProductID,IntegerType,true),StructField(Name,StringType,true),StructField(ProductNumber,StringType,true),StructField(Color,StringType,true),StructField(StandardCost,StringType,true),StructField(ListPrice,DoubleType,true),StructField(Size,StringType,true),StructField(Weight,StringType,true),StructField(ProductCategoryID,StringType,true),StructField(ProductModelID,IntegerType,true),StructField(SellStartDate,StringType,true),StructField(SellEndDate,StringType,true),StructField(DiscontinuedDate,StringType,true),StructField(ThumbNailPhoto,StringType,true),StructField(ThumbnailPhotoFileName,StringType,true),StructField(rowguid,StringType,true),StructField(ModifiedDate,StringType,true)))

Command took 0.38 seconds -- by simon@advancinganalytics.co.uk at 26/09/2020, 15:33:57 on Runtime7

Cmd 8

We have a schema, now we need to create a dataframe

We can derive the path of our dataset in the same way as we did with the schema. We then combine schema and data location in a new dataframe

We're also going to use "\_corrupt\_record", this is a system field which will only be populated if a row fails to parse into the structure we've provided

Cmd 9

# AZURE DATABRICKS



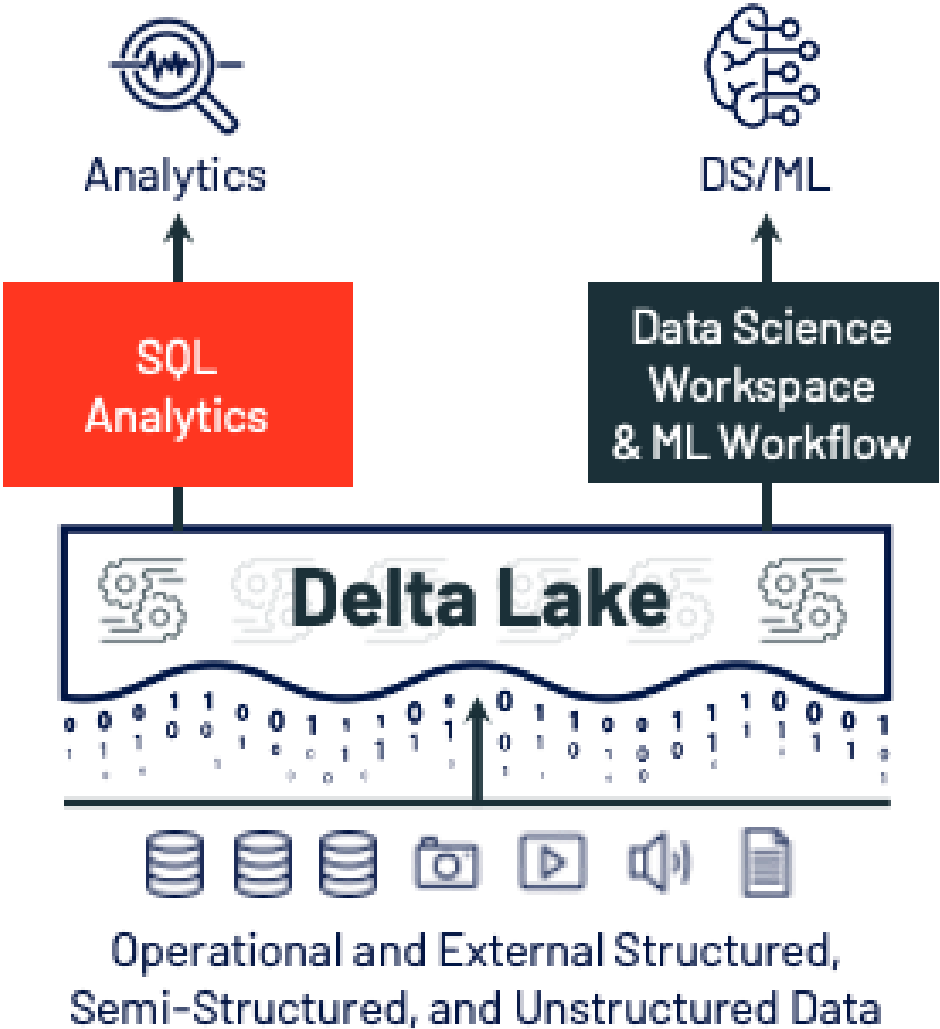
Databricks is a third-party company, founded by the **team who invented spark**

They provide an **Azure-native, managed Spark platform**

Databricks will generally have the **most advanced spark engine** and maintain a fast release cadence



# DATABRICKS SQL ANALYTICS





# AZURE DATABRICKS

- The Databricks Workspace
- Clusters
- Notebooks



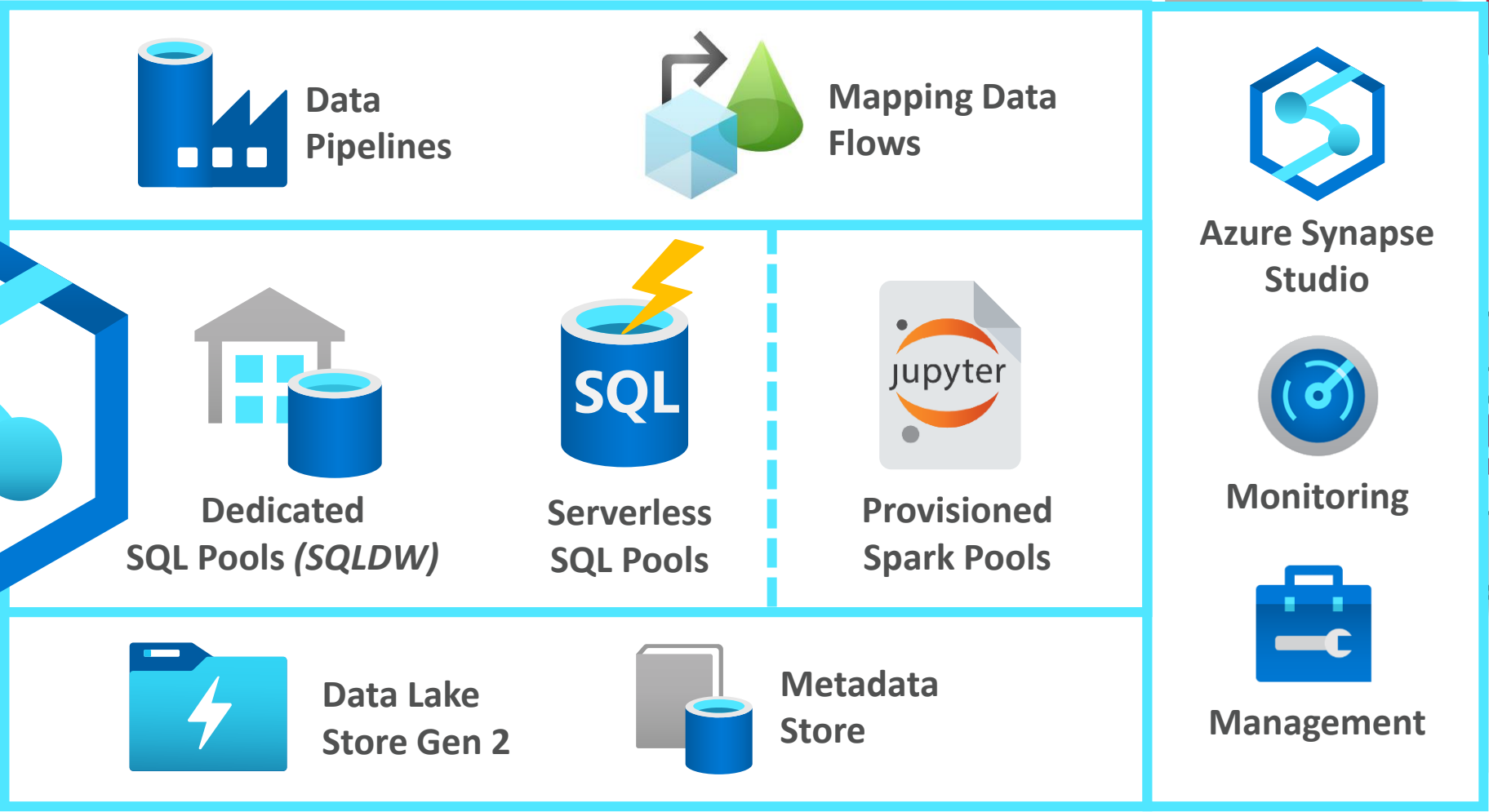
# AZURE SYNAPSE ANALYTICS



Where to start...



# AZURE SYNAPSE ANALYTICS







# AZURE SYNAPSE ANALYTICS - SPARK POOLS



- Billed Per Session Uptime
- Scala, Python, C#, SQL
- Dynamic Workflows, Machine Learning & Unusual Data Types
- Session management is... interesting





# SERVERLESS SQL POOLS



- Billed Per TB Read
  - T-SQL
  - Ad-hoc/Occasional access
- 
- Unpredictable Billing
  - Very Black-box (but is that bad?)



## DEDICATED SQL POOLS

- Billed Per Hour
- T-SQL
- Huge Datasets & Formal Modelling

- Inflexible Scaling
- Can be complex to distribute tables





# AZURE SYNAPSE ANALYTICS

- Synapse Workspace Overview
- Serverless SQL
- Spark Pools



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SO WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE US?



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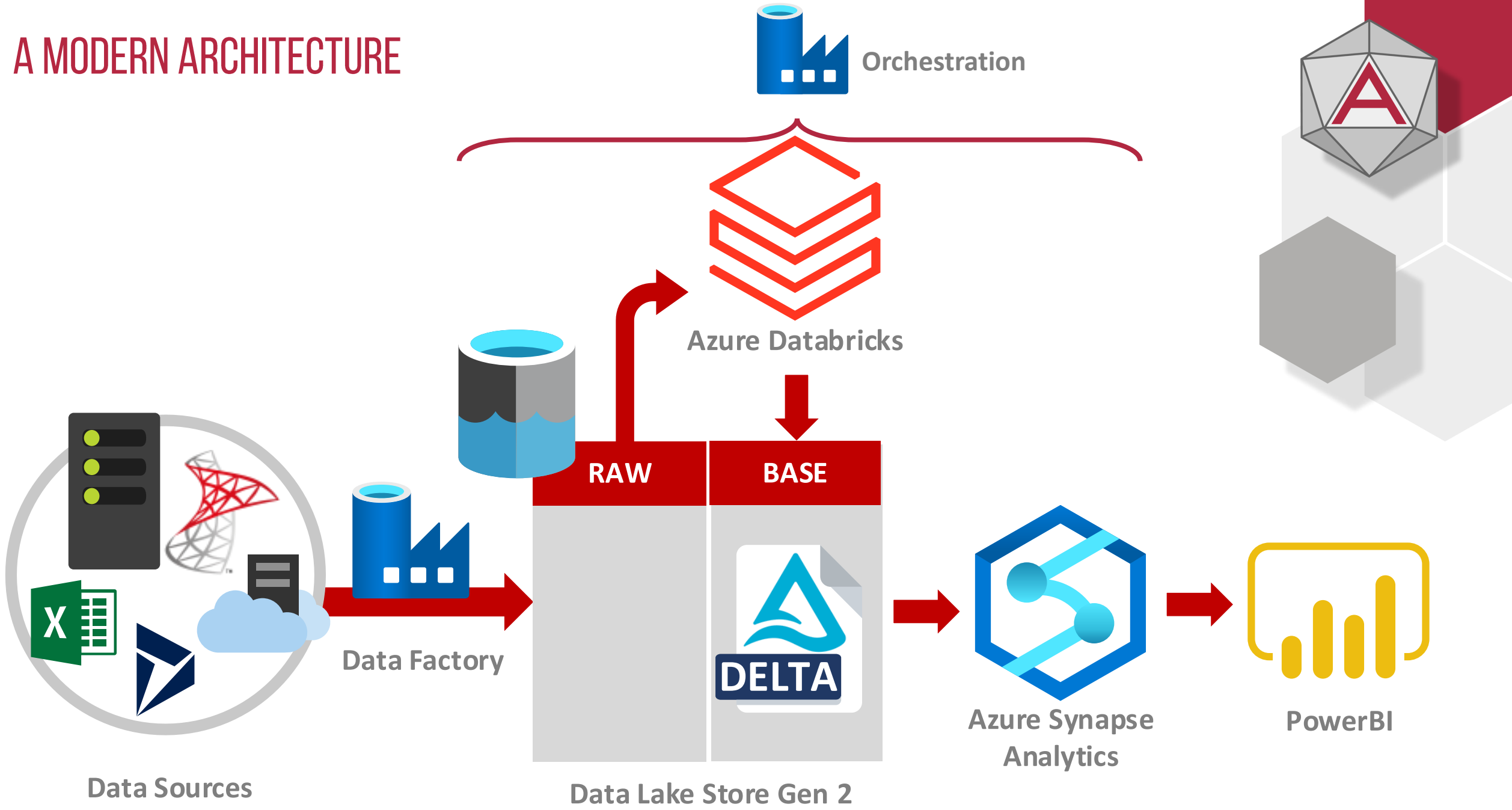


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# A MODERN ARCHITECTURE



# MODERN DATA WAREHOUSES

