Project Title: Data Exploration with Azure SQL Database – Customer, Account, and Loan Feeds

Objective:

To explore and manipulate multiple related datasets using Azure SQL Database. The exploration is based on organizing the datasets, identifying data types, and exploring their relationships and contents.

Tools Required:

- Azure SQL Database
- SQL Management tools (Azure Data Studio or SQL Server Management Studio)
- Dataset https://kaggle.com/datasets/9234c6c4d25b6eb7c3dbb15a0e33d65ae68a405d42acba8db1248defee7aff9c
- GitHub

Project steps:

1. Setting up Azure SQL Database

Step 1.1: Creating an Azure SQL Database in the Azure portal.

- Signed into the azure portal with your Azure account credentials.
- In the Azure Portal, clicked on "Create a resource" in the top left corner.
- In the "Search the Marketplace" box, typed "SQL Database" and selected "SQL Database" from the results.
- **Subscription**: Selected the Azure subscription you want to use.
- **Resource Group**: Choose an existing resource group or create a new one by clicking on **"Create new"**.
- Database Name: Entered the name of database as "CustomerAccountLoanDB".
- Server:
- Did not have an existing SQL server, clicked on "Create new".
- Fill in the server details:
 - Server Name: Entered a unique name as "sqlserver"
 - Server Admin Login: Chosen a username for the server admin.
 - Password: Entered and confirmed a password.
 - Location: Selected eastern Canada as the region for server.
- **Backup Storage Redundancy**: Selected local-redundant (LRS as storage redundancy.
- Clicked on "Review + create" and created a database for exploration.

Step 1.2: Connecting the Azure SQL Database to SSMS (SQL Server Management Studio).

Before connecting, ensure you have the following information:

- **Server Name**: This will typically be in the format "your-server-name.database.windows.net".
- Database Name: The name of Azure SQL Database i.e., "CustomerAccountLoanDB".
- **Username**: The SQL server admin username.
- Password: The password associated with the SQL server admin account.
- Launch SSMS on your computer.
- In the **Connect to Server** dialog box, fill in the following details:
- Server type: Select Database Engine.
- **Server name**: Enter your Azure SQL Database server name (e.g., your-server-name.database.windows.net).
- Authentication: Choose SQL Server Authentication.
- Login: Enter your admin username.
- Password: Enter your admin password.
- Connection Properties: Here, you can specify the initial database if needed.
- **Network Protocol**: Ensure the protocol is set to **TCP/IP** (this is usually default).
- Click Connect to establish a connection to your Azure SQL Database.
- Now Azure SQL DB is successfully connected to SSMS.

2. Data Organization

Step 2.1: Created tables for the provided feeds.

• Customer Feed: Using the below query to create table for customers.

```
CREATE TABLE dbo.customers (
customer_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
first_name VARCHAR(50),
last_name VARCHAR(50),
address VARCHAR(100),
city VARCHAR(50),
state VARCHAR(50),
zip VARCHAR(20)
);
```

Account Feed: Using the below query to create table for Accounts created by customers.
 CREATE TABLE dbo.accounts (

```
account_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
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```
customer_id INT,
account_type VARCHAR(50),
balance DECIMAL(10, 2),
FOREIGN KEY (customer_id) REFERENCES customers(customer_id)
);
```

 Transaction Feed: Using the below query to create table for transactions made on accounts.

```
CREATE TABLE dbo.transactions (
    transaction_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
    account_id INT,
    transaction_date DATE,
    transaction_amount DECIMAL(10, 2),
    transaction_type VARCHAR(50),
    FOREIGN KEY (account_id) REFERENCES accounts(account_id)
    );
```

Loan Feed: Using the below query to create table for the loans taken by customers.
 CREATE TABLE dbo.loans (

```
loan_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
customer_id INT,
loan_amount DECIMAL (10, 2),
interest_rate DECIMAL (5, 2),
loan_term INT,
FOREIGN KEY (customer_id) REFERENCES customers(customer_id)
);
```

 Loan Payment Feed: Using the below query to create table for the loan payments made by customers.

3. Data Insertion

Step 3.1: Populate tables with sample data using `INSERT INTO` statements for each table. Since the data is high in volume, I have just inserted using SSMS inbuilt features to import data. Steps I followed to import data from external flat files to tables in Azure SQL Database which is connected SSMS.

Launch SSMS and connect to your Azure SQL Database.

- Right-click on the database (e.g., customeraccountloanDB).
- Select Tasks > Import Data.
- The SQL Server Import and Export Wizard will open.
- In the wizard, select **Flat File Source** as the data source. The flat files data is available as CSV format in the Kaggle datasets which is provided on the top of this document in Tools required section.
- Browse to the CSV file you saved earlier.
- Set the format options (usually default settings work fine).
- The wizard will show a mapping screen. Ensure that the columns from the CSV file map correctly to the columns in the customers table.
- Complete the wizard steps, review your selections, and click **Finish** to run the import process.

This way data will be imported to the associated columns into the tables which were defined in the "CustomerAccountLoanDB".

Step 3.2: Ensure data consistency and relationships, ensuring each foreign key points to valid primary keys.

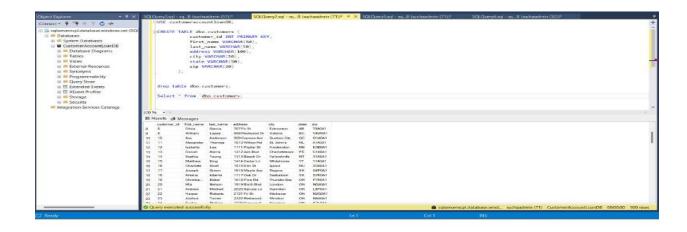
- I got an error while importing data when importing the data for second table accounts stating that the tables primary key "customer_id" is depended on the foreign key of customer_id column in customers table.
- Customer_id column records in the customers table does not match with the record count of customer_id column in the accounts table.
- I resolved this error by inserting few more columns, until it matches the records with the accounts table.
- Again, inserted the records using the same import method as step 3.1.

4. Data Exploration

Step 4.1: Write query to retrieve all customer information.

Query:

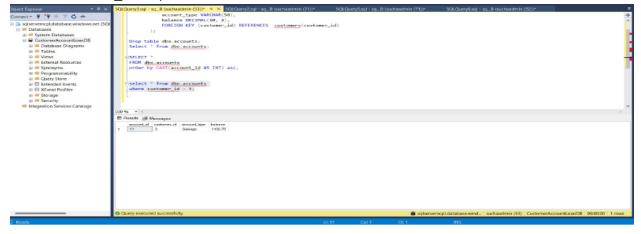
Select * from dbo.customers;



Step 4.2: Query accounts for a specific customer:

select * from dbo.accounts

where customer_id = 3;



Step 4.3: Find the customer name and account balance for each account. Query:

Select dbo.accounts.account_id,concat(dbo.customers.first_name, '
',dbo.customers.last_name) as customer_name, dbo.accounts.balance
from dbo.accounts
left join dbo.customers
on dbo.accounts.customer_id = dbo.customers.customer_id

order by CAST(account_id AS INT) asc;



Step 4.4: Analyze customer loan balances:

Query:

 Total Loan Amounts and Outstanding Balances by Customer Query:

SELECT

dbo.customers.customer_id,

CONCAT(dbo.customers.first_name, ' ', dbo.customers.last_name) AS customer_name,

SUM(cast(dbo.loans.loan_amount as decimal(18,2))) AS TotalLoanAmount

from

dbo.customers

JOIN

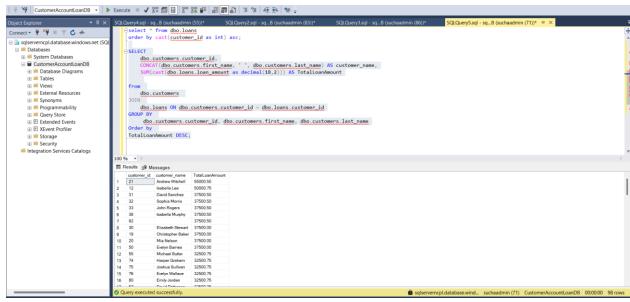
dbo.loans ON dbo.customers.customer_id = dbo.loans.customer_id

GROUP BY

dbo.customers.customer_id, dbo.customers.first_name, dbo.customers.last_name

Order by

TotalLoanAmount DESC;



Step 4.5: List all customers who have made a transaction in the 2024-03.

SELECT

CONCAT(dbo.customers.first_name, '', dbo.customers.last_name) AS CustomerName

FROM

dbo.customers

JOIN

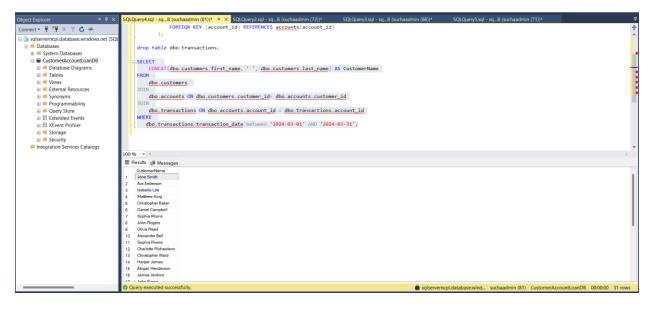
dbo.accounts ON dbo.customers.customer_id= dbo.accounts.customer_id

JOIN

dbo.transactions ON dbo.accounts.account id = dbo.transactions.account id

WHERE

dbo.transactions.transaction_date between '2024-03-01' AND '2024-03-31';



5. Aggregation and Insights

Step 5.1: Calculate the total balance across all accounts for each customer:

Query:

select dbo.customers.customer_id, concat(dbo.customers.first_name,'', dbo.customers.last_name) as customer_name,

SUM(cast(dbo.accounts.balance as decimal(18,2))) as total_balance

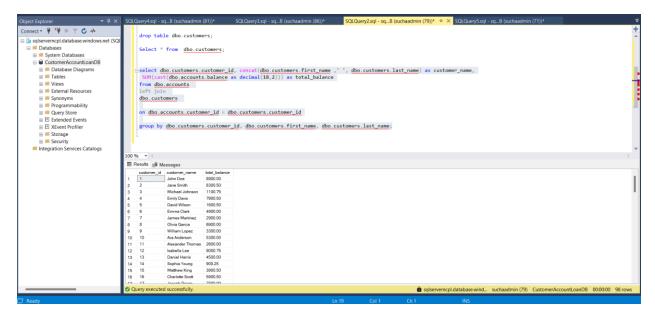
from dbo.accounts

left join

dbo.customers

on dbo.accounts.customer_id = dbo.customers.customer_id

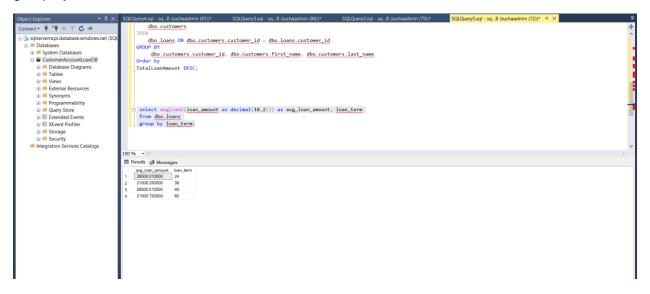
group by dbo.customers.customer_id, dbo.customers.first_name, dbo.customers.last_name;



5.2: Calculate the average loan amount for each loan term:

select avg(cast(loan_amount as decimal(18,2))) as avg_loan_amount, loan_term from dbo.loans

group by loan_term;



Step 5.3: Find the total loan amount and interest across all loans:

Query:

SELECT

SUM(cast(Loan_amount as decimal(18,2))) AS Total_Loan_Amount, SUM(cast(interest_rate as decimal(18,2))) AS TotalInterest

FROM

dbo.loans;

Step 5.4: Find the most frequent transaction type.

Query:

SELECT

transaction_type,

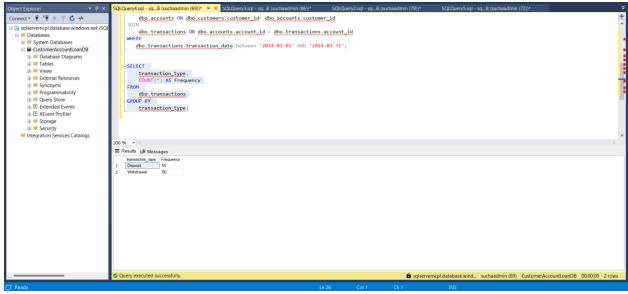
COUNT(*) AS Frequency

FROM

dbo.transactions

GROUP BY

transaction_type;



Step 5.5: Analyze transactions by account and transaction type:

SELECT

dbo.accounts.account_id,

dbo.transactions.transaction_type,

COUNT(*) AS transaction_count,

SUM(cast(dbo.transactions.transaction_amount as decimal(18,2))) AS TotalTransactionAmount

FROM

dbo.accounts

JOIN

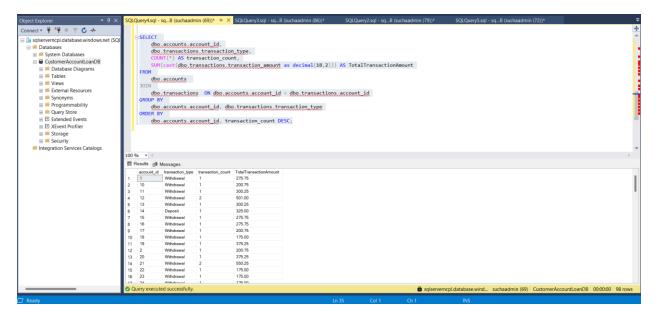
dbo.transactions ON dbo.accounts.account_id = dbo.transactions.account_id

GROUP BY

dbo.accounts.account_id, dbo.transactions.transaction_type

ORDER BY

dbo.accounts.account_id, transaction_count DESC;



6. Advanced Analysis

Step 6.1: Create a view of active loans with payments greater than \$1000

Query:

CREATE VIEW ActiveLoansOver1000 AS

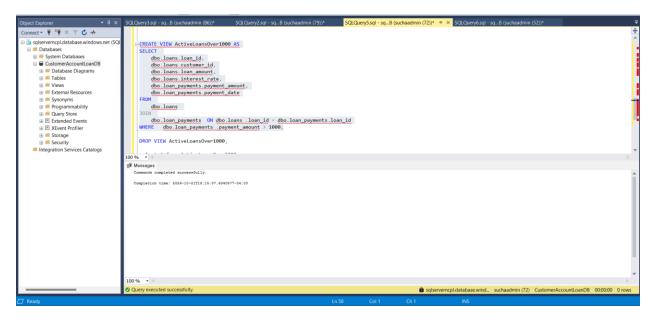
SELECT

```
dbo.loans.loan_id,
dbo.loans.customer_id,
dbo.loans.loan_amount,
dbo.loans.interest_rate,
dbo.loan_payments.payment_amount,
dbo.loan_payments.payment_date
FROM
dbo.loans
```

JOIN

dbo.loan_payments ON dbo.loans .loan_id = dbo.loan_payments.loan_id

WHERE dbo.loan_payments .payment_amount > 1000;



Step 6.2: Create an index on `transaction_date` in the `transactions` table for performance optimization:

CREATE INDEX IX_Transaction_Date

ON transactions (transaction_date);

