

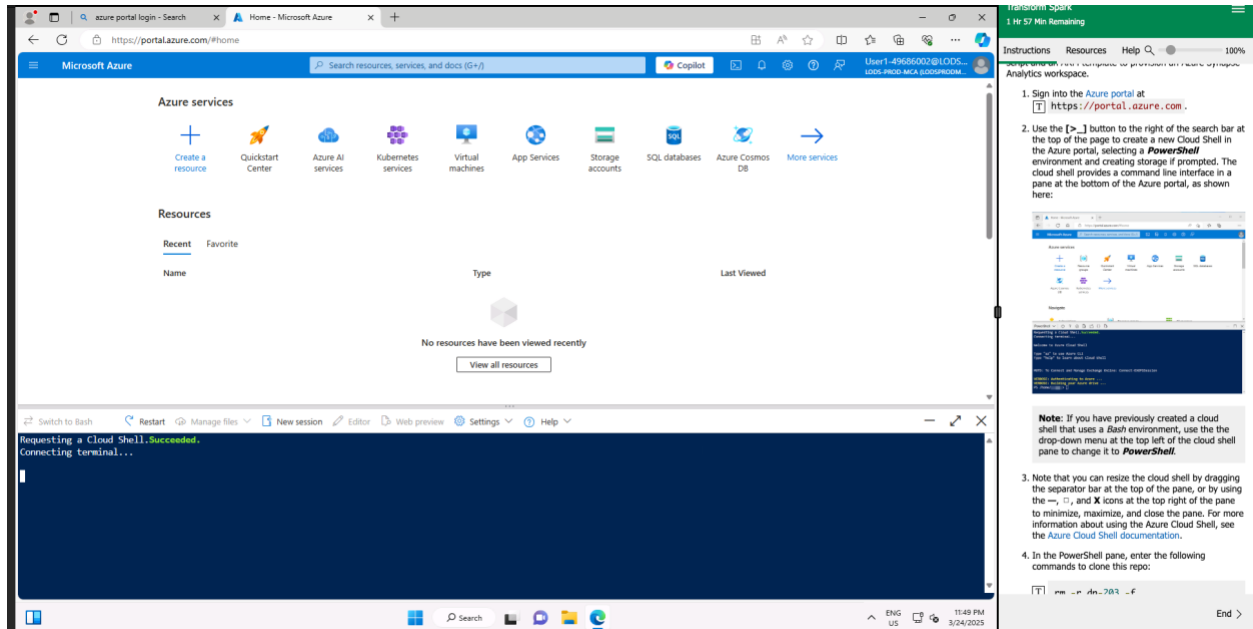
Lab 6 Transform Spark

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Connecting to Powershell:



The screenshot displays the Microsoft Azure portal interface. At the top, the navigation bar shows the user is logged in as 'User1-45656002@L005...'. The main content area is divided into 'Azure services' and 'Resources'. The 'Resources' section is currently empty, showing a message 'No resources have been viewed recently' with a 'View all resources' button. A 'Cloud Shell' pane is open at the bottom of the portal, displaying the text 'Requesting a Cloud Shell. Succeeded. Connecting terminal...'. To the right of the main portal view, there is a sidebar with instructions for connecting to the Cloud Shell. The instructions are as follows:

1. Sign into the Azure portal at <https://portal.azure.com>.
2. Use the [>] button to the right of the search bar at the top of the page to create a new Cloud Shell in the Azure portal, selecting a **PowerShell** environment and creating storage if prompted. The cloud shell provides a command line interface in a pane at the bottom of the Azure portal, as shown here:

Note: If you have previously created a cloud shell that uses a **bash** environment, use the drop-down menu at the top left of the cloud shell pane to change it to **PowerShell**.

3. Note that you can resize the cloud shell by dragging the separator bar at the top of the pane, or by using the —, □, and X icons at the top right of the pane to minimize, maximize, and close the pane. For more information about using the Azure Cloud Shell, see the [Azure Cloud Shell documentation](#).
4. In the PowerShell pane, enter the following commands to clone this repo.

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1. After the deployment script has completed, in the Azure portal, go to the **dp203-xxxxxx** resource group that it created, and notice that this resource group contains your Synapse workspace, a Storage account for your data lake, and an Apache Spark pool.
2. Select your Synapse workspace, and in its **Overview** page, in the **Open Synapse Studio** card, select **Open** to open Synapse Studio in a new browser tab; signing in if prompted.
3. On the left side of Synapse Studio, use the **+** icon to expand the menu - this reveals the different pages within Synapse Studio that you'll use to manage resources and perform data analytics tasks.
4. On the **Manage** page, select the **Apache Spark pools** tab and note that a Spark pool with a name similar to **spark*xxxxxx*** has been provisioned in the workspace.
5. On the **Data** page, view the **Linked** tab and verify that your workspace includes a link to your Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2 storage account, which should have a name similar to **synapse*xxxxxx*** (**Primary - datalake*xxxxxx***).
6. Expand your storage account and verify that it contains a file system container named **files** (**Primary**).
7. Select the **files** container, and note that it contains folders named **data** and **synapse**. The **synapse** folder is used by Azure Synapse, and the **data** folder contains the data files you are going to query.
8. Open the **data** folder and observe that it contains **.csv** files for three years of sales data.
9. Right-click any of the files and select **Preview** to see the data it contains. Note that the files contain a header row, so you can select the option to display column headers.
10. Close the preview. Then download the **Spark Transform.ipynb** from [from](#).

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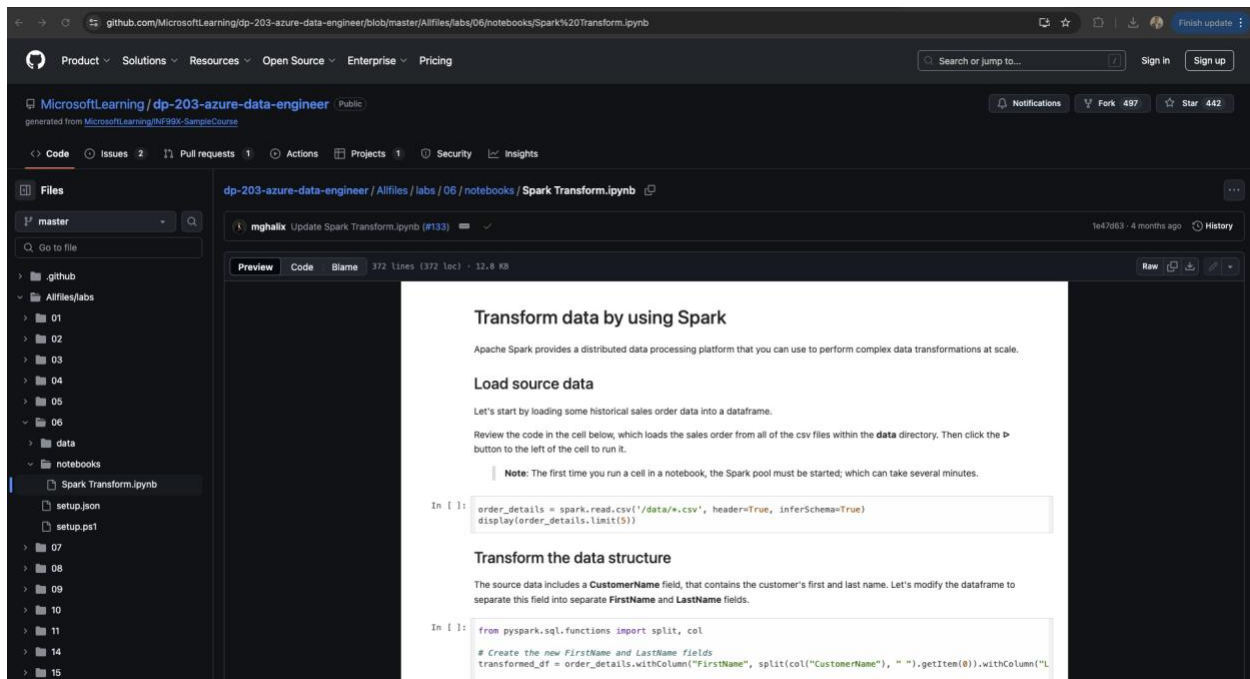
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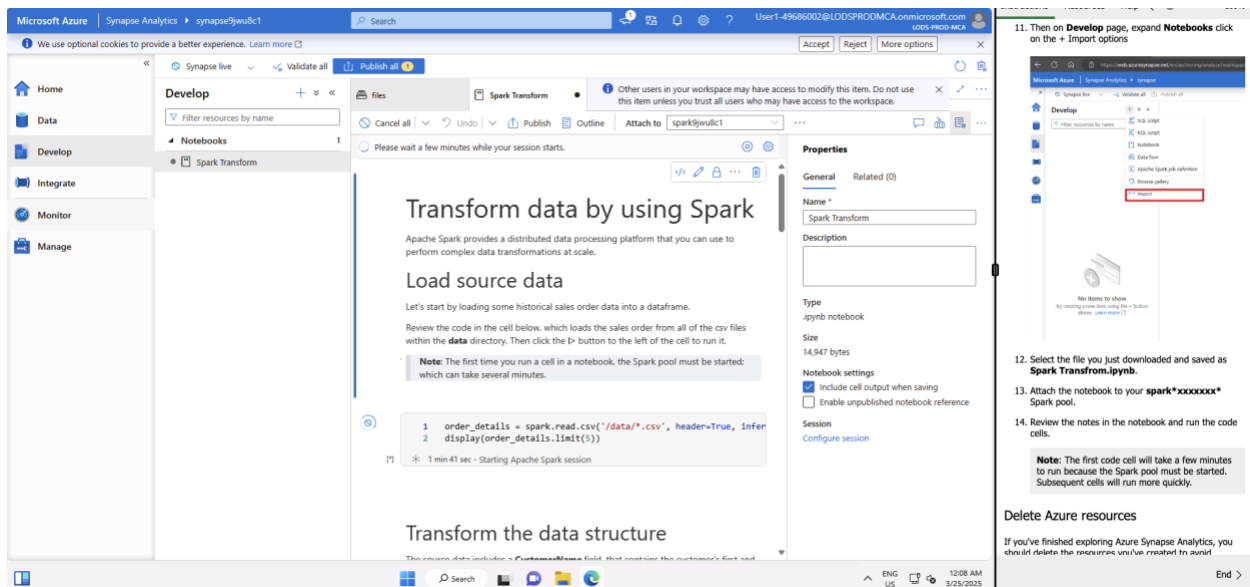
SALESORDER...	SALESORDER...	ORDERDATE	CUSTOMER
SO43701	1	2019-07-01	Christy Zhu
SO43704	1	2019-07-01	Julio Ruiz
SO43705	1	2019-07-01	Curtis Lu
SO43700	1	2019-07-01	Ruben Prasa
SO43703	1	2019-07-01	Albert Alvar
SO43697	1	2019-07-01	Cole Watson
SO43699	1	2019-07-01	Sydney Wrig
SO43702	1	2019-07-01	Colin Anand
SO43698	1	2019-07-01	Rachael Mar
SO43707	1	2019-07-02	Emma Brown
SO43711	1	2019-07-02	Courtney Ed

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Importing the file Spark Transform.ipynb and attaching the notebook to spark pool:



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Load source data

Let's start by loading some historical sales order data into a dataframe.

Review the code in the cell below, which loads the sales order from all of the csv files within the **data** directory. Then click the ▶ button to the left of the cell to run it.

Note: The first time you run a cell in a notebook, the Spark pool must be started; which can take several minutes.

```
1 order_details = spark.read.csv('/data/*.csv', header=True, inferSchema=True)
2 display(order_details.limit(5))
```

✓ 3 min 59 sec - Apache Spark session started in 3 min 31 sec 253 ms. Command executed in 29 sec 128 ms by User1-49686002 on 12:10:29 AM, 3/25/25

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SalesOrderNumber	SalesOrderLineNumber	OrderDate	CustomerName	Id
SO49171	1	2021-01-01	Mariah Foster	rr
SO49172	1	2021-01-01	Brian Howard	b
SO49173	1	2021-01-01	Linda Alvarez	lii
SO49174	1	2021-01-01	Gina Hernandez	g
SO49178	1	2021-01-01	Beth Ruiz	b

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Transform the data structure

The source data includes a **CustomerName** field, that contains the customer's first and last name. Let's modify the dataframe to separate this field into separate **FirstName** and **LastName** fields.

```
1 from pyspark.sql.functions import split, col
2
3 # Create the new FirstName and LastName fields
4 transformed_df = order_details.withColumn("FirstName", split(col("CustomerName"), " ").getItem(0)).withColumn("
5
6 # Remove the CustomerName field
7 transformed_df = transformed_df.drop("CustomerName")
8
9 display(transformed_df.limit(5))
```

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SalesOrderNumber	SalesOrderLineNumber	OrderDate	EmailAddress	Id
SO49171	1	2021-01-01	mariah21@adventure-works.com	R
SO49172	1	2021-01-01	brian23@adventure-works.com	R
SO49173	1	2021-01-01	linda19@adventure-works.com	lv
SO49174	1	2021-01-01	gina4@adventure-works.com	lv

Saving the transformed data:

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure Synapse Analytics interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Home, Data, Develop, Integrate, Monitor, and Manage. The 'Develop' tab is active, showing a notebook titled 'Save the transformed data'. The notebook content includes a title, a note about Parquet format, and a code cell with the following Python code:

```
1 transformed_df.write.mode("overwrite").parquet('/transformed_data/orders.parquet')
2 print ("Transformed data saved!")
```

The code cell shows a successful execution with the message: 'Job execution Succeeded Spark 2 executors 8 cores'. Below the code cell, there is a section titled 'Partition data' with instructions on how to verify the data in the 'files' tab.

Partitioning the data by Year and month:

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure Synapse Analytics interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Home, Data, Develop, Integrate, Monitor, and Manage. The 'Develop' tab is active, showing a notebook titled 'Partition data'. The notebook content includes a title, a note about partitioning data, and a code cell with the following Python code:

```
1 from pyspark.sql.functions import year, month, col
2
3 dated_df = transformed_df.withColumn("Year", year(col("OrderDate"))).withColumn("Month", month(col("OrderDate")))
4 display(dated_df.limit(5))
5 dated_df.write.partitionBy("Year","Month").mode("overwrite").parquet("/partitioned_data")
6 print ("Transformed data saved!")
```

The code cell shows a successful execution with the message: 'Job execution Succeeded Spark 2 executors 8 cores'. Below the code cell, there is a table showing the first few rows of the partitioned data:

FirstName	LastName	Year	Month
Mariah	Foster	2021	1
Brian	Howard	2021	1
Linda	Alvarez	2021	1
Gina	Hernandez	2021	1

On the right side of the screenshot, there is a sidebar with instructions for deleting Azure resources:

12. Select the file you just downloaded and saved as **Spark Transform.ipynb**.
13. Attach the notebook to your **spark*xxxxxxx*** Spark pool.
14. Review the notes in the notebook and run the code cells.

Note: The first code cell will take a few minutes to run because the Spark pool must be started. Subsequent cells will run more quickly.

Delete Azure resources

If you've finished exploring Azure Synapse Analytics, you should delete the resources you've created to avoid unnecessary Azure costs.

1. Close the Synapse Studio browser tab and return to the Azure portal.
2. On the Azure portal, on the **Home** page, select **Resource groups**.
3. Select the **dp203-xxxxxxx** resource group for your Synapse Analytics workspace (not the managed resource group), and verify that it contains the Synapse workspace, storage account, and Spark pool for your workspace.
4. At the top of the **Overview** page for your resource group, select **Delete resource group**.
5. Enter the **dp203-xxxxxxx** resource group name to confirm you want to delete it, and select **Delete**.

After a few minutes, your Azure Synapse workspace resource group and the managed workspace resource group associated with it will be deleted.

End the lab

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then saves the results as a partitioned external table.

```

1 sql_transform = spark.sql("SELECT *, YEAR(OrderDate) AS Year, MONTH(OrderDate) AS Month FROM sales_orders")
2 display(sql_transform.limit(5))
3 sql_transform.write.partitionBy("Year", "Month").saveAsTable("transformed_orders", format='parquet', mode='overw

```

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UnitPrice	TaxAmount	Year	Month
2181.5625	174.525	2021	1
2443.35	195.468	2021	1
2071.4196	165.7136	2021	1
2071.4196	165.7136	2021	1
1000.4375	80.035	2021	1

In the files tab (which should still be open above), navigate to the root files container and verify that a new folder named **transformed_orders_table** has been created, containing a hierarchy of folders in the format **Year=NNNN / Month=N**, each containing a .parquet file for the orders placed in the corresponding year and month. Then return to this notebook.

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Dropping the external tables from the metastore without deleting the files:

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OrderID	Quantity	OrderDate	Salesperson
SO49187	1	2021-01-02	Lacey Liu
SO49190	1	2021-01-02	Omar Zhu

Because these are *external* tables, you can drop the tables from the metastore without deleting the files - so the transformed data remains available for other downstream data analytics or ingestion processes.

```

1 %sql
2
3 DROP TABLE transformed_orders;
4 DROP TABLE sales_orders;

```

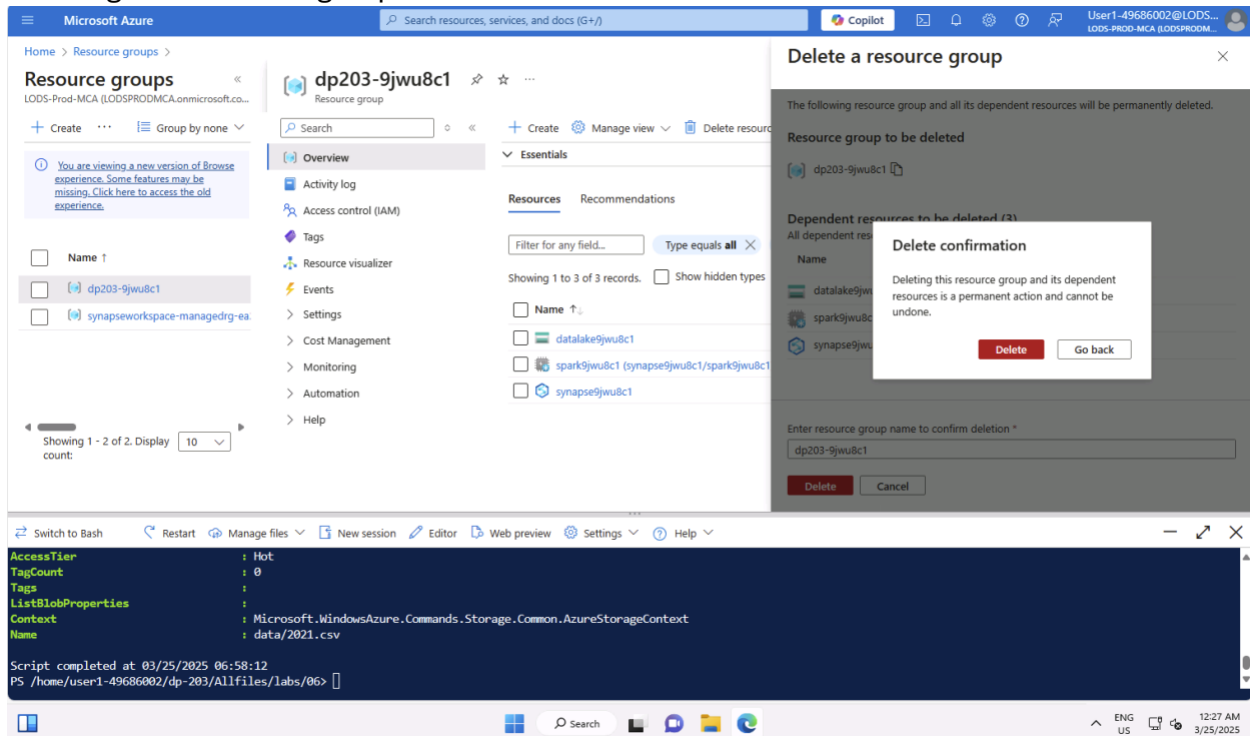
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Deleting the Resource group:



Conclusion:

In this lab, I learned how to use Spark for data transformation, from setting up in Synapse Studio to working with GitHub and Spark notebooks. I explored data, applied transformations, and optimized it by partitioning by year and month. Using SQL, I refined the data while also managing external tables without losing underlying files. Lastly, I practiced resource management by deleting the resource group.