

Portfolio Project:

Creating a Microsoft Fabric Lakehouse

Project Overview

This project focused on creating a Microsoft Fabric lakehouse, which combines the features of data lakes and data warehouses for large-scale data analytics. The objective was to set up a lakehouse that allows for scalable file storage and querying using SQL semantics.

Objectives:

- 1. Create a Workspace:**
 - Create a workspace with the Fabric trial enabled.
- 2. Create a Lakehouse:**
 - Set up a data lakehouse for your data files.
- 3. Upload a File:**
 - Load data into the lakehouse by uploading files from your local computer.
- 4. Explore Shortcuts:**
 - Understand how to create shortcuts for externally sourced data.
- 5. Load File Data into a Table:**
 - Load the uploaded file data into a table for SQL querying.
- 6. Use SQL to Query Tables:**
 - Execute SQL queries to analyze the data in the lakehouse.
- 7. Create a Visual Query:**
 - Utilize visual query tools to analyze data without SQL.

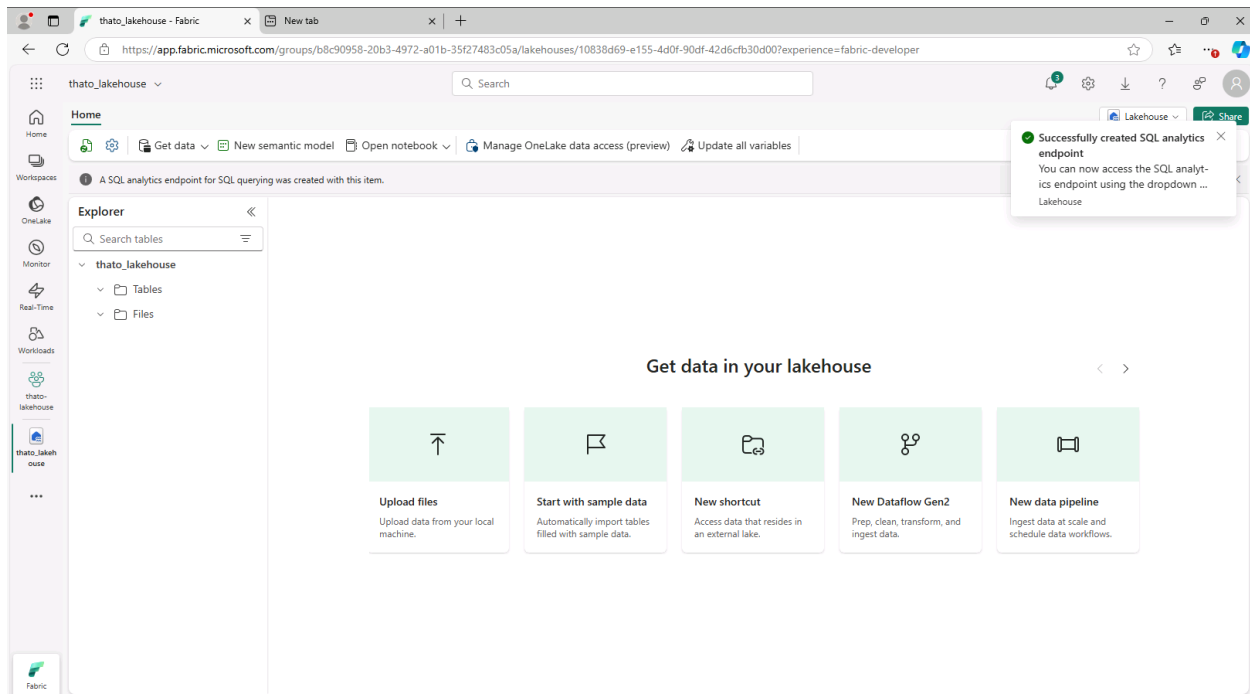
Experience

Create a Workspace

- Navigated to the Microsoft Fabric home page and signed in with credentials.
- Selected Workspaces from the menu bar.
- Created a new workspace with a name.

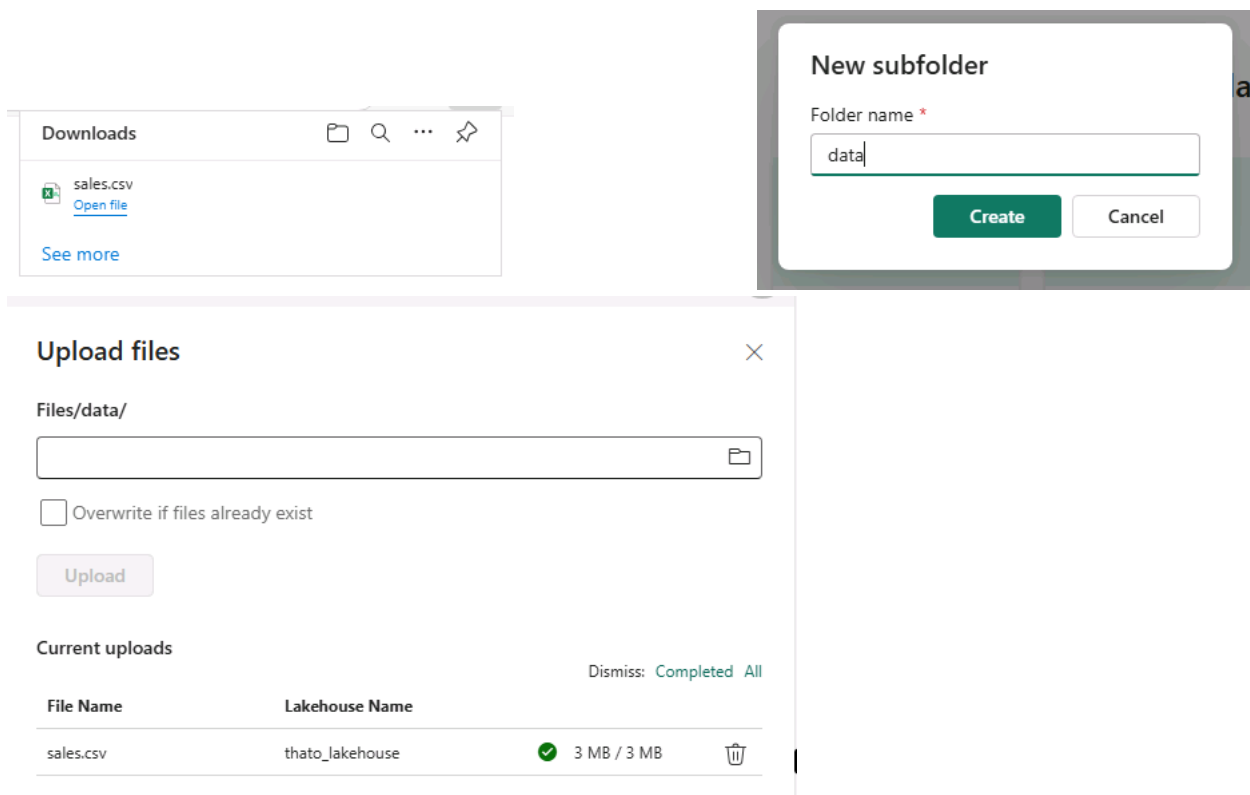
Create a Lakehouse

- In the workspace, selected Create from the menu bar.
- Under the Data Engineering section, selected Lakehouse and gave it a unique name.
- Waited for the lakehouse to be created.



Upload a File:

- Downloaded the sales.csv file from the computer.
- In the lakehouse, created a subfolder named data within the Files folder.
- Uploaded the sales.csv file into the newly created data folder.



Explore Shortcuts:

- Created a shortcut in the Files folder to include externally sourced data without copying it.

Load File Data into a Table:

- Selected the sales.csv file and chose Load to Tables > New table.
- Set the table name to sales and confirmed the load operation.
- Refreshed the Tables folder.

Date modified

type

Load file to new table

All fields marked with * are required

New table name *

sales

Column header ⓘ

☒ Use header for column names

Separator ⓘ

,

Separators cannot use the following characters: {}[]{}''

Load

Cancel

Lakehouse

Share

✓ Successfully created "sales" table

"thato_lakehouse" lakehouse

Lakehouse

Monitor

thato_lakehouse

Tables

sales

sales.csv

7/28/2025, 1:26:02 AM

csv

3 MB

sales

Showing 1000 rows

Table view

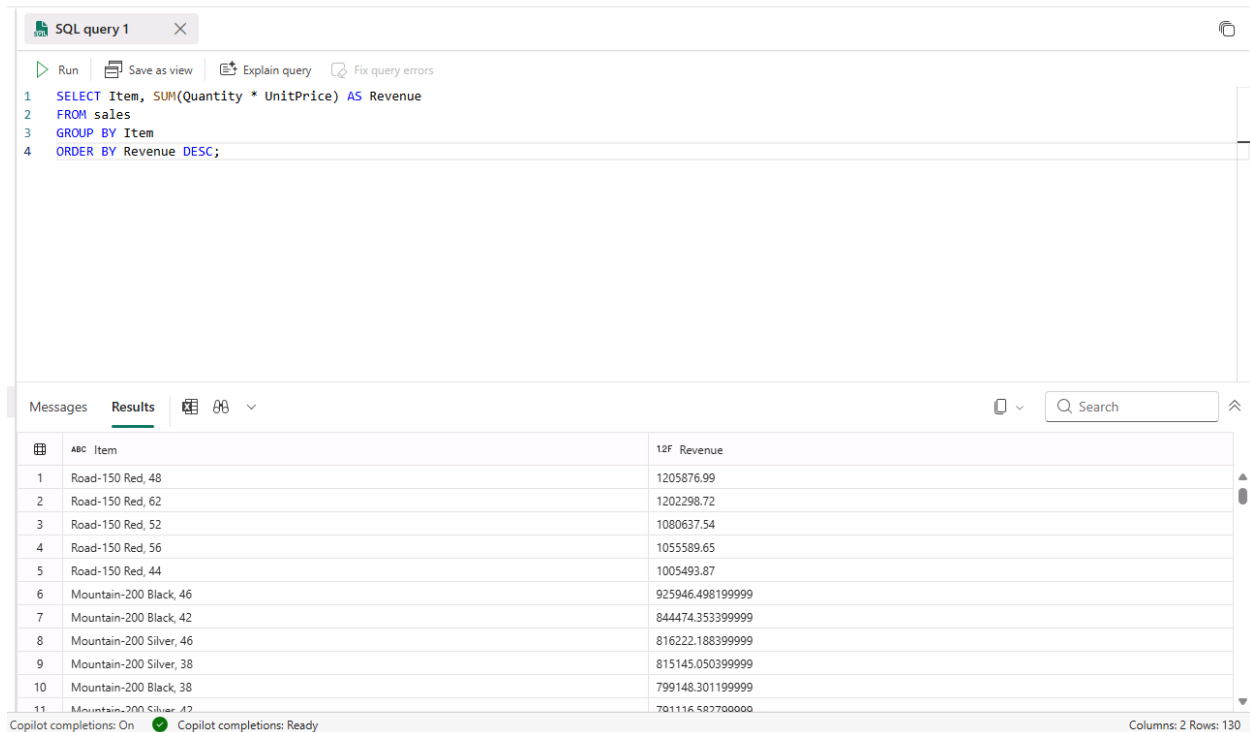
| | ABC SalesOrderNum... | 123 SalesOrderLine... | OrderDate | ABC CustomerName | ABC EmailAddress | ABC Item | 123 Quantity | 12 UnitPrice | 12 TaxAmou... |
|----|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1 | SO43701 | 1 | 7/1/2019 12:00:00 AM | Christy Zhu | christy12@adventur... | Mountain-100 Silver,... | 1 | 3399.99 | 271.9992 |
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| 5 | SO43703 | 1 | 7/1/2019 12:00:00 AM | Albert Alvarez | albert7@adventure-... | Road-150 Red, 62 | 1 | 3578.27 | 286.2616 |
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| 8 | SO43702 | 1 | 7/1/2019 12:00:00 AM | Colin Anand | colin45@adventure-... | Road-150 Red, 44 | 1 | 3578.27 | 286.2616 |
| 9 | SO43698 | 1 | 7/1/2019 12:00:00 AM | Rachael Martinez | rachael16@adventur... | Mountain-100 Silver,... | 1 | 3399.99 | 271.9992 |
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| 11 | SO43711 | 1 | 7/2/2019 12:00:00 AM | Courtney Edwards | courtney1@adventu... | Road-150 Red, 56 | 1 | 3578.27 | 286.2616 |
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| 15 | SO43710 | 1 | 7/2/2019 12:00:00 AM | Katrina Raji | katrina20@adventur... | Road-150 Red, 56 | 1 | 3578.27 | 286.2616 |
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✓ Succeeded (15 sec 443 ms)

Columns 9 Rows 1,000

Use SQL to Query Tables:

- Switched to the SQL analytics endpoint for the lakehouse.
- Opened a new SQL query editor and entered the SQL query to calculate total revenue for each product.
- Ran the query and viewed the results.



The screenshot shows the SQL query editor interface. The query entered is:

```
1 SELECT Item, SUM(Quantity * UnitPrice) AS Revenue
2 FROM sales
3 GROUP BY Item
4 ORDER BY Revenue DESC;
```

The results are displayed in a table with the following data:

| | Item | Revenue |
|----|-------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Road-150 Red, 48 | 1205876.99 |
| 2 | Road-150 Red, 62 | 1202298.72 |
| 3 | Road-150 Red, 52 | 1080637.54 |
| 4 | Road-150 Red, 56 | 1055589.65 |
| 5 | Road-150 Red, 44 | 1005493.87 |
| 6 | Mountain-200 Black, 46 | 925946.498199999 |
| 7 | Mountain-200 Black, 42 | 844474.353399999 |
| 8 | Mountain-200 Silver, 46 | 816222.188399999 |
| 9 | Mountain-200 Silver, 38 | 815145.050399999 |
| 10 | Mountain-200 Black, 38 | 799148.301199999 |
| 11 | Mountain-200 Silver, 42 | 701116.582700000 |

At the bottom of the interface, it shows "Copilot completions: On" and "Copilot completions: Ready". The status bar indicates "Columns: 2 Rows: 130".

Create a Visual Query:

- Used the New visual query option to create a Power Query.
- Selected the sales table and managed columns to choose specific columns.
- Grouped the data by SalesOrderNumber to count distinct values of SalesOrderLineNumber.

Choose columns ?

Choose the columns to keep.

⬆

☒ (Select all)

☒ SalesOrderNumber

☒ SalesOrderLineNumber

☐ OrderDate

☐ CustomerName

☐ EmailAddress

☐ Item

☐ Quantity

OK
Cancel

Group by ?

Specify the column to group by and the desired output.

☒ Basic
 ☐ Advanced

Group by *
SalesOrderLineNumber

New column name *
 LinetItems

Operation *
 Count distinct values

Column *
 SalesOrderLineNumber

☐ Use fuzzy grouping

> Fuzzy group options

OK
Cancel

SQL query 1
Visual query 1

Manage columns
Reduce rows
Sort
Transform
Combine
Save as view
View SQL
Settings

sales

Source

Database

Table

Choose columns

Grouped rows

Download Excel file

Visualize results

| | SalesOrderLineNumber | LinetItems |
|---|----------------------|------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 3 | 4 | 1 |
| 4 | 5 | 1 |
| 5 | 2 | 1 |

Completed (1.36 s)
Columns: 2
Rows: 8

Results

- ✓ Successfully created a Microsoft Fabric lakehouse and uploaded the sales.csv file.
- ✓ Loaded the sales data into a table, enabling SQL queries for data analysis.
- ✓ Executed SQL queries to calculate total revenue and created visual queries to analyze sales order data.
- ✓ Gained practical experience in managing data within a lakehouse environment and utilizing Microsoft Fabric's features for data analytics.

Conclusion

This project provided hands-on experience in creating a Microsoft Fabric lakehouse, uploading data, querying it using SQL, and creating visual queries.

Resources

Source file:

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/MicrosoftLearning/dp-data/main/sales.csv>

GitHub: <https://github.com/ThatoMTNG/Microsoft-Fabric-Analytics-Engineer-DP-600->

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