

Microsoft Fabric - OTT Data Engineering Project (Movie Datasets)

Project Overview

Project Description and Purpose

This project aims to develop a comprehensive **ETL pipeline** for an **OTT platform (Movie Datasets)** using **Microsoft Fabric**. The objective is to extract, transform, and load (ETL) movie-related data into a structured format to facilitate **data analysis and reporting**.

Purpose:

- Enable **automated data ingestion** from on-premise sources using **Power BI Gateway**.
- Transform raw data into structured data using **PySpark Notebooks**
- Store and manage structured data in **Microsoft Fabric Lakehouse & Warehouse**.
- Implement a **star schema** for optimized querying and reporting.
- Develop **Power BI dashboards** to provide insights into **movie trends, user engagement, and genre performance**.

Source Data Description

The dataset used in this project was downloaded from Kaggle: [TMDB Movies Dataset \(2023\)](#).

Dataset Fields:

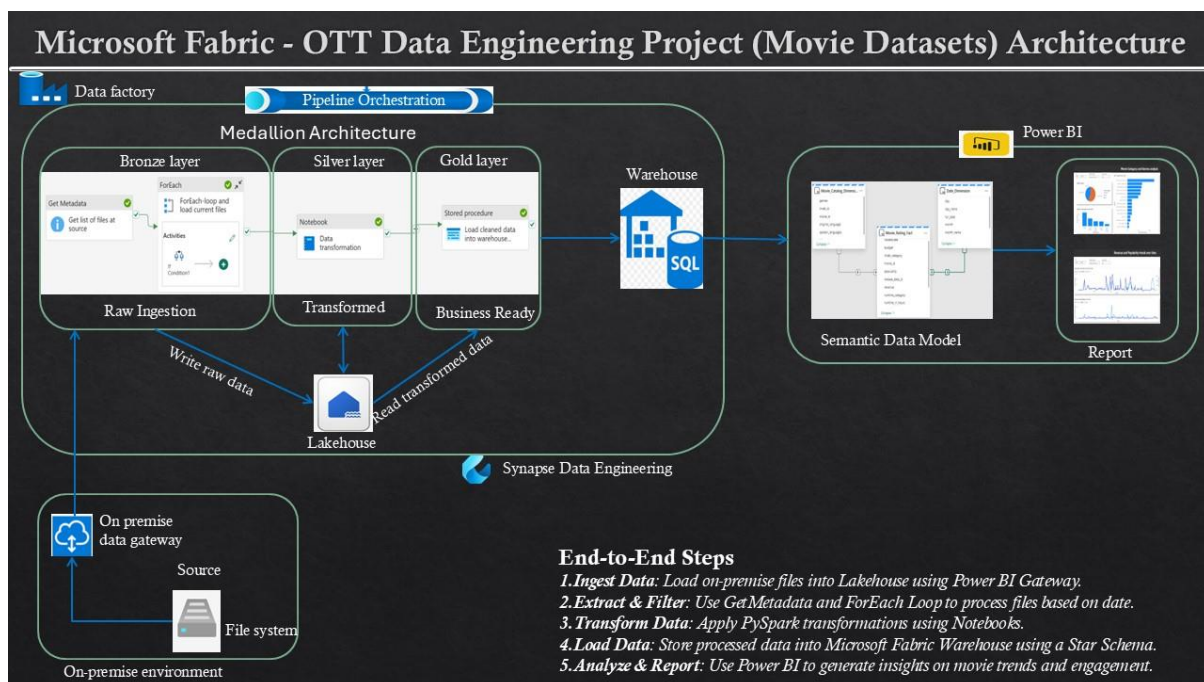
- **id**: Unique identifier for each movie. (*int*)
- **title**: Title of the movie. (*str*)
- **vote_average**: Average vote or rating given by viewers. (*float*)
- **vote_count**: Total count of votes received for the movie. (*int*)
- **status**: The status of the movie (e.g., Released, Rumored, Post Production, etc.). (*str*)
- **release_date**: Date when the movie was released. (*str*)
- **revenue**: Total revenue generated by the movie. (*int*)
- **runtime**: Duration of the movie in minutes. (*int*)
- **adult**: Indicates if the movie is suitable only for adult audiences. (*bool*)
- **budget**: Budget allocated for the movie. (*int*)
- **imdb_id**: IMDb ID of the movie. (*str*)
- **original_language**: Original language in which the movie was produced. (*str*)
- **original_title**: Original title of the movie. (*str*)
- **popularity**: Popularity score of the movie. (*float*)
- **genres**: List of genres the movie belongs to. (*str*)
- **spoken_languages**: List of languages spoken in the movie. (*str*)

This project involves building an end-to-end ETL pipeline for an OTT platform (Netflix, Prime, Disney+, etc.) using **Microsoft Fabric**. The goal is to ingest on-premise data, transform it, and load it into a structured format for reporting and analysis in **Power BI**.

Services Used in Microsoft Fabric

- **OneLake** (Unified storage)
- **Data Factory** (Data Ingestion)
- **Lakehouse** (Storage & Querying)
- **Warehouse** (Data Modeling & Analytics)
- **Notebooks** (Transformation using Spark/PySpark)
- **Power BI** (Visualization & Reporting)

Project Architecture



End-to-End Steps

1. **Ingest Data:** Load on-premise files into OneLake using Power BI Gateway.
2. **Extract & Filter:** Use GetMetadata and ForEach Loop to process files based on date.
3. **Transform Data:** Apply PySpark transformations using Notebooks.
4. **Load Data:** Store processed data into Microsoft Fabric Warehouse using a Star Schema.
5. **Analyze & Report:** Use Power BI to generate insights on movie trends and engagement.

Data Flow

1. **Ingestion:** Load on-premise file storage data into **OneLake** using **Power BI Gateway**.
2. **Transformation:** Process and clean data using **Notebooks** and **Stored Procedures**.
3. **Storage:** Store refined data in **Lakehouse tables (Silver Layer)**.
4. **Warehouse & Modeling:** Load structured data into **Fabric Warehouse** and create a **Star Schema**.

5. **Reporting:** Use **Power BI** to visualize and analyze trends in OTT platform performance.
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Step-by-Step Implementation

1. Environment Setup

1. Create a **Microsoft Fabric Workspace**.
2. Set up **OneLake Storage** for raw and refined data.
3. Configure **Power BI Gateway** for accessing on-premise data.
4. Create a **Lakehouse** to store structured data.
5. Create a **Warehouse** to manage structured data modeling.
6. Enable **Power BI integration** for reporting.

2. Data Ingestion

- **Source:** On-premise files (CSV, JSON, Parquet)
- **Destination:** Microsoft Fabric **OneLake (Bronze Layer)**
- **Pipeline:**
 - **Setup Power BI Gateway** to connect to on-prem data.
 - Use **Copy Activity** to fetch data based on filename.
 - Extract filenames using **GetMetadata Activity**.
 - Pass filenames into a **ForEach loop**.
 - Use an **If Condition** to check if the filename matches the current date.
 - Call **Copy Activity** to load the matching file into **Lakehouse (Silver Layer)**.

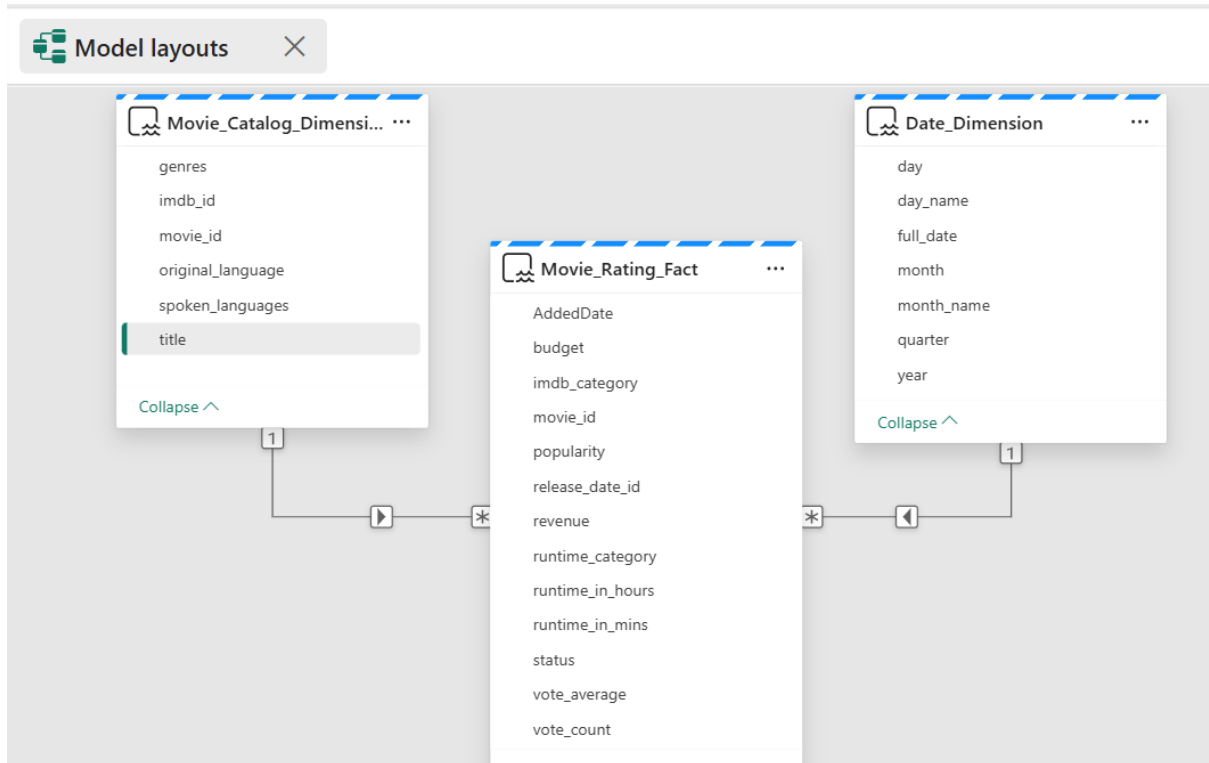
3. Data Transformation (ETL)

- Use **Notebooks in Fabric** to transform data with **PySpark**.
- Transformations include:
 - **Handling NULL values**
 - **Removing duplicates**
 - **Deriving new columns** (e.g., IMDB rating categories, runtime classification)
 - **Standardizing date formats**
- Save the processed data in **Lakehouse (Silver Layer)**.

4. Data Loading to Warehouse

- Load transformed data from **Lakehouse (Silver Layer)** into **Microsoft Fabric Warehouse**.
- Create a **Star Schema** in the Warehouse:
- Use **Stored Procedure Activity** to execute transformation logic.

Star Schema



SQL Schema Design for Microsoft Fabric Warehouse - Movies

1. Date Dimension Table

```
CREATE TABLE Movies.Date_Dimension (
    full_date DATE ,
    year INT NOT NULL,
    month INT NOT NULL,
    day INT NOT NULL,
    day_name VARCHAR(20),
    month_name VARCHAR(20),
    quarter INT
);
```

2. Movie Catalog Dimension Table

```
CREATE TABLE Movies.Movie_Catalog_Dimension (
    movie_id INT,
    title VARCHAR(255) ,
    imdb_id VARCHAR(20),
    original_language VARCHAR(10),
    genres VARCHAR(255),
    spoken_languages VARCHAR(255)
);
```

3. Movie Rating Fact Table

```
CREATE TABLE Movies.Movie_Rating_Fact (  
    movie_id INT NOT NULL,  
    vote_average FLOAT NOT NULL,  
    vote_count INT NOT NULL,  
    status VARCHAR(250),  
    release_date_id DATE ,  
    runtime_in_mins INT,  
    runtime_in_hours FLOAT,  
    runtime_category VARCHAR(250),  
    budget BIGINT,  
    revenue BIGINT,  
    popularity FLOAT,  
    imdb_category VARCHAR(250),  
    AddedDate DATE  
);
```

5. Stored Procedure for Daily Updates

- **Stored Procedure Activity** is executed in a Microsoft Fabric pipeline.
- **MERGE** is used for **Dimension Tables**.
- **APPEND** is used for the **Fact Table**.

6. Execution in Pipeline

- Ensures new records are inserted while avoiding duplicates.
- Schema Relationships:
 - **Fact Table** references **Movie_Catalog_Dimension** via `movie_id` and **Date_Dimension** via `release_date_id`.

7. Reporting in Power BI

- Connect **Power BI** to the Fabric **Warehouse**.
- Create dashboards to analyze:

1. Top-performing genres:

- Use the **Movie Rating Fact Table** and **Movie Catalog Dimension**.
- Aggregate **vote_count** and **popularity** to determine the highest-rated genres.
- Create a **bar chart** to display genre performance.

2. Trends in movie viewership:

- Utilize the **Date Dimension** and **Movie Rating Fact Table**.
- Track **popularity** and **view counts** over time using a **line chart**.
- Apply filters for **yearly, monthly, and weekly trends**.

3. User engagement insights:

- Combine **Movie Rating Fact Table** with **Date Dimension**.
- Analyze **runtime categories** and their impact on engagement.

- Publish reports to the **Fabric Workspace** and set up scheduled refresh for real-time insights.
 - Connect **Power BI** to the Fabric **Warehouse**.
 - Create dashboards to analyze:
 - Top-performing genres
 - Trends in movie viewership
 - User engagement insights
 - Publish reports to the **Fabric Workspace**.
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Conclusion

This project successfully migrated an **ADF + Synapse** ETL workflow to **Microsoft Fabric**, incorporating **Warehouse capabilities** for structured data modelling and efficient querying.
