Data Engineering Project 4:

Incremental Data Loading and Automated Notifications using Microsoft Fabric

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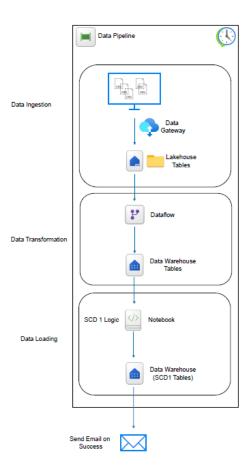
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Objective:

This project aims to design and implement an end-to-end data pipeline using Microsoft Fabric that incrementally ingests structured data from on-premises sources into a Lakehouse. It performs data transformation using Dataflows and Notebooks, applies SCD Type 1 logic, and automates notifications upon successful execution.

Task 1 - Architecture Diagram:



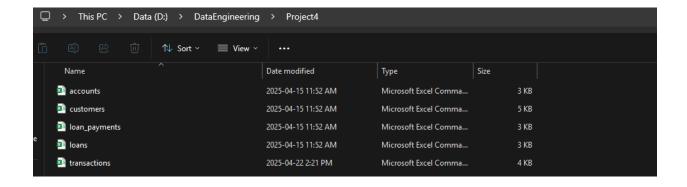


Task 1: Incremental Data Loading, SCD Type 1 and Notification

Step 1: On-Prem Setup

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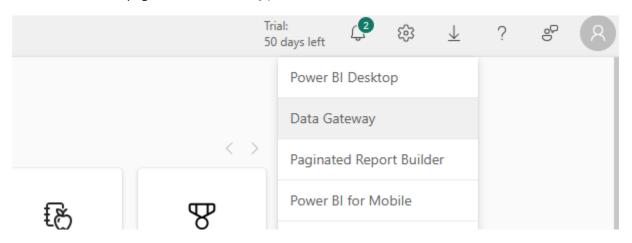
Step 1.1: Download the dataset files into the local folder on the system

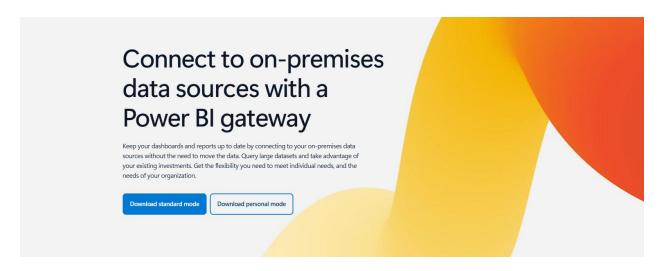


Step 1.2: Download Data Gateway from the Fabric workspace option as shown below

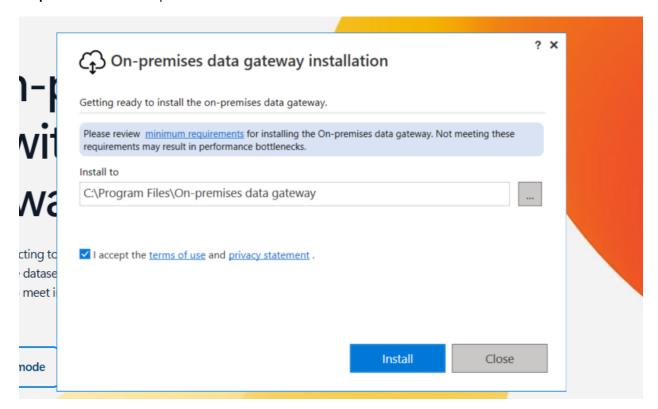
Settings icon -> Data Gateway

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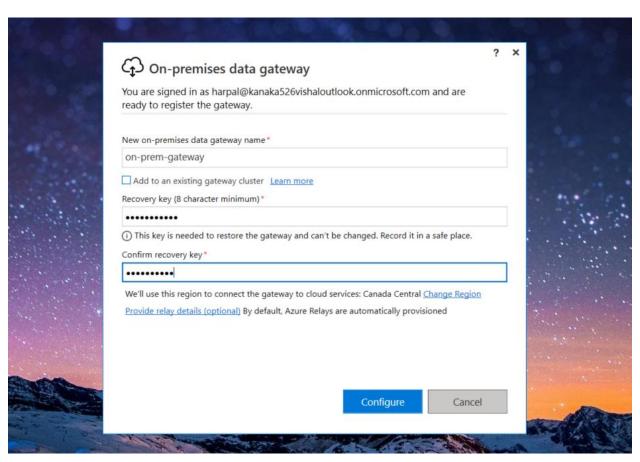


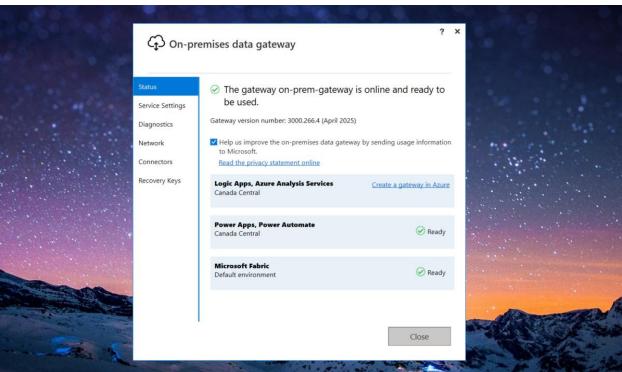


Step 1.3: Installation steps

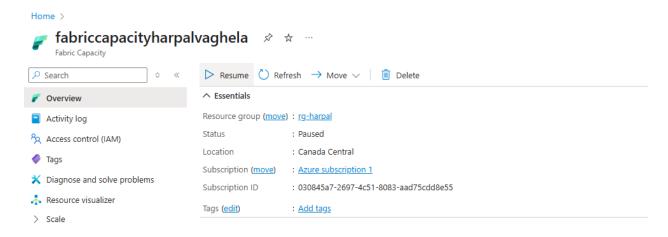


And configure it.

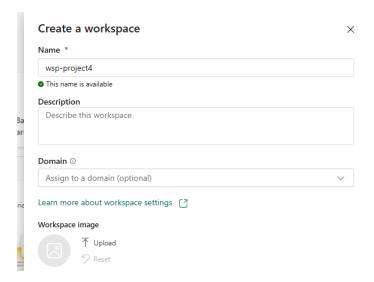




Step 1.4: Turn on Fabric Capacity from the Azure Account

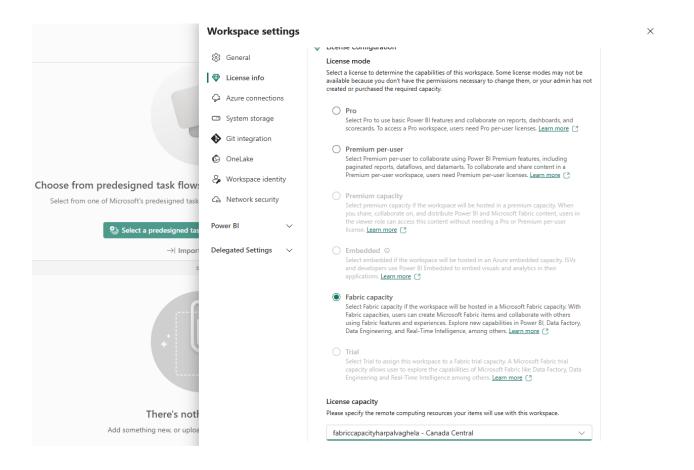


Step 1.5: Go to the Fabric Home Page, create a new workspace



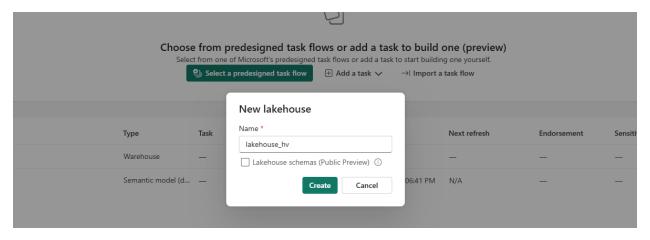
Go back to the Fabric Home page -> Workspace (that we just created) -> Workspace settings -> License Info -> License Configuration

Select License Mode: Fabric Capacity and License capacity as shown below:

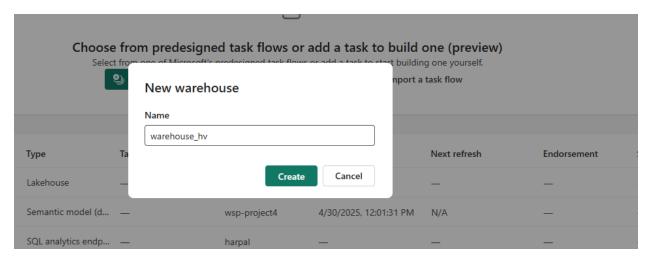


Step 2: Resources in the Fabric Workspace

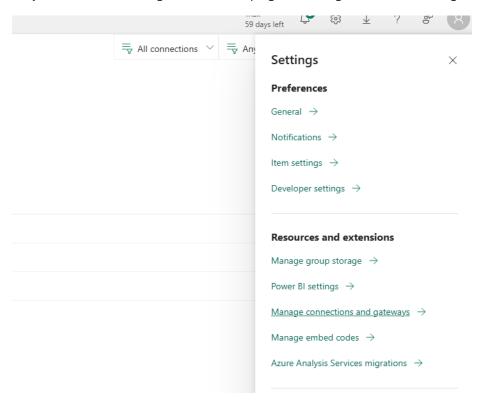
Step 2.1: Click on New Item -> Lakehouse



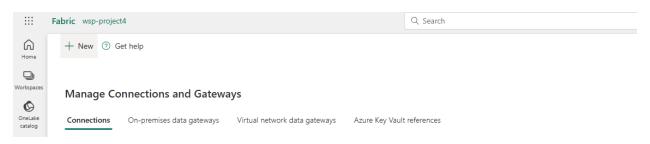
Step 2.2: Click on New Item -> Warehouse



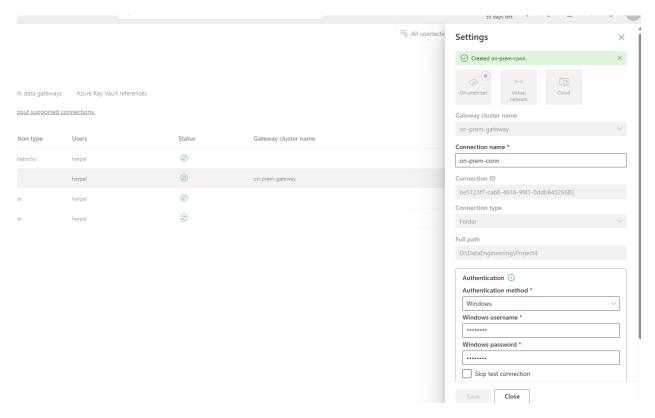
Step 2.3: Go to the Settings icon on the top right -> Manage connections and gateways



Click on New

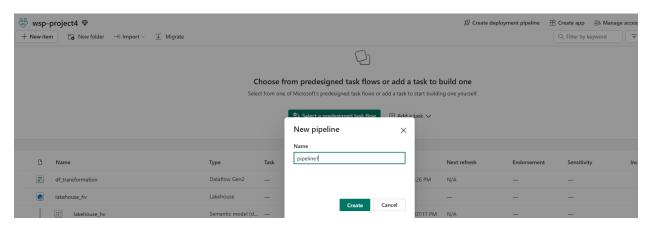


Enter these details as shown below



Step 2.4: Create a Data Pipeline

Workspace -> New Item -> Data Pipeline



Step 3: Data pipeline Design

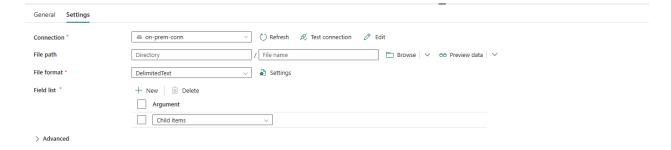
Step 3.1: Take the Get Metadata Activity

Settings tab:

Connection: On-Prem

File format: Delimited Text

Field List: Child Items



Step 3.2: Take ForEach Activity

Settings tab:

Batch count: 1

Items: @activity('Get All Available Files').output.childItems

Pipeline expression builder

Add dynamic content below using any combination of expressions, functions and system variables.

```
@activity('Get All Available Files').output.childItems
```

Click on the Edit icon on the ForEach Activity

Step 3.3: Take a Copy Data Activity

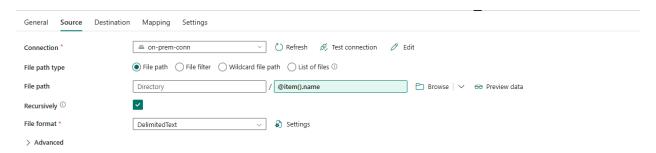
Source Tab:

Connection: On-Prem

File path type: File Path

File path: In the field of file name write this @item().name

File format: Delimited Text



Start Time Expression: @formatDateTime(addHours(utcNow(), -24), 'yyyy-MM-ddTHH:mm:ssZ')

End Time Expression: @formatDateTime(utcNow(), 'yyyy-MM-ddTHH:mm:ssZ')

Harpalsinh Vaghela Source Destination Mapping Settings ∨ Nefresh Ø Test connection Ø Edit Connection a on-prem-conn File path type / @item().name File path Directory 🗀 Browse 🗸 😚 Preview data ~ Recursively ① File format * DelimitedText Settings ✓ Advanced Start time (UTC) End time (UTC) Filter by last modified ① @formatDateTime(addHours(utcNo... @formatDateTime(utcNow(), 'yyyy-... Enable partitions discovery $^{\scriptsize{\textcircled{\scriptsize{1}}}}$ Max concurrent connections ① Additional columns ① Sink Tab: Connection: Lakehouse Root Folder: Tables Table: @concat(replace(item().name, '.csv', ")) Table action: Overwrite Destination General Source Settings Mapping Refresh Connection * lakehouse_hv Open Root folder @concat(replace(item().name, '.csv', '')) Table ○ Append ① ● Overwrite ① Table action > Advanced Step 3.4: Run the pipeline, so we will get the on-premise file converted into tables in Lakehouse Step 3.5: Take a Dataflow activity: Settings tab: Dataflow: Click on New Settings General

Refresh

C) Refresh Open + New

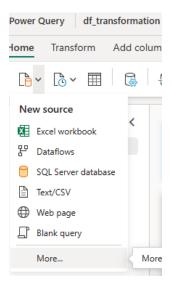
Workspace *

Dataflow *

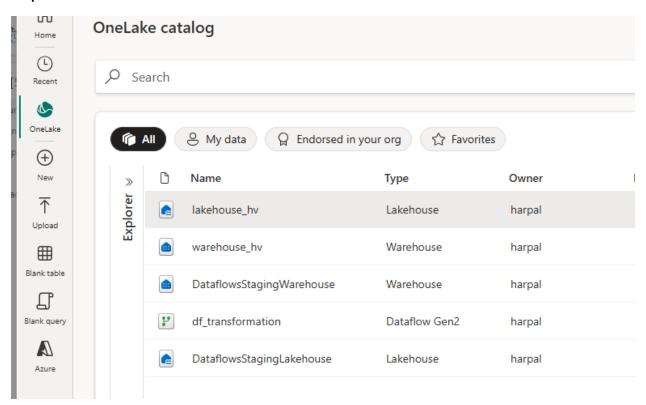
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df_transformation

Step 3.6: Click on Home -> More...



Step 3.7: Select Lakehouse

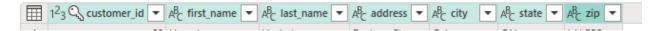


Step 3.8: Select the table from Lakehouse, click on create

Similarly, select all 5 tables from the Lakehouse

Now, we will do the transformation on each table

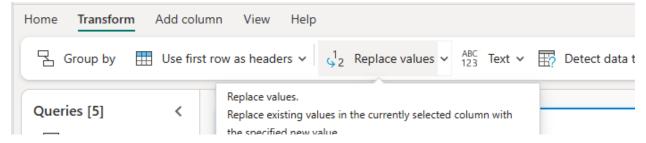
Select table -> Select all the columns from left to right using the Shift key on the keyboard



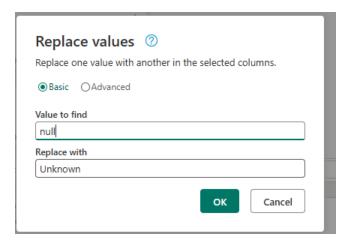
Go to the Transform tab and click on Detect data type

Select the column in which we want to replace the values

On the Transform tab -> Click on Replace Values

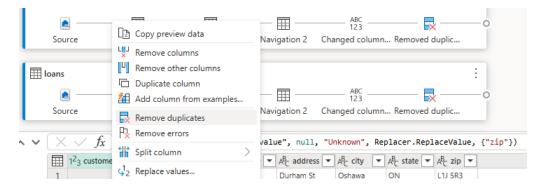


Replace null with "Unknown"

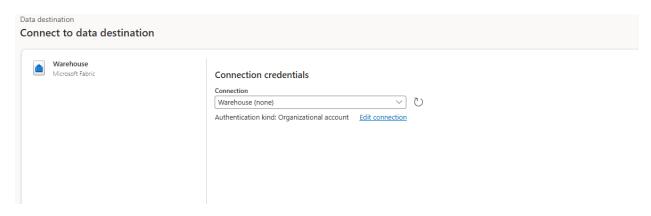


Do this step for all columns where null is present.

To remove duplicates, right-click on the column name and select Remove duplicates



Step 3.9: In each table, add sink as Warehouse

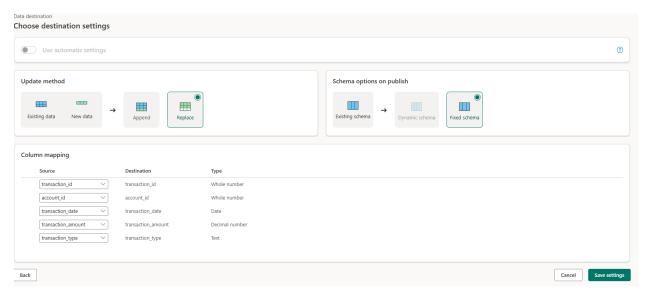


Write the table name if we want to create a new one at runtime



Click on Next.

Destination settings dialog:



Click on Save settings.

At the end of the Dataflow design screen, click on publish

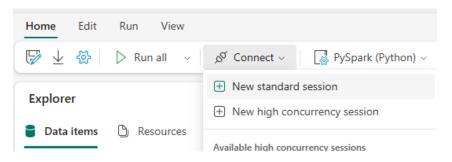
Step 4: Notebook Activity

After that, in the pipeline canvas area, take the Notebook activity

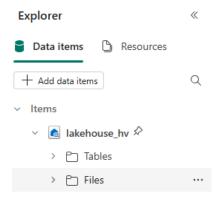
Step 4.1: Create a new Notebook

Here, we will do the SCD 1 transformation steps for all 5 tables

Step 4.2: Connect the Spark session:



Step 4.3: On the left side, connect the existing Lakehouse



Step 4.4: SCD 1 Logic code

Let's code for SCD 1 now,

Write all the important libraries' code that we will need in this notebook

```
1 #Imports Libraries
2
3 from delta.tables import DeltaTable
4 from pyspark.sql.functions import col, crc32, concat_ws, current_timestamp, lit
5 import com.microsoft.spark.fabric

39] ✓ <1 sec - Command executed in 342 ms by harpal on 12:56:29 PM, 5/04/25</p>
```

SCD 1 Target Tables:

```
%%sql
        Create table if not exists accounts_scd1
 4
        (
 5
            account_id int,
 6
            customer_id int,
 7
            account_type string,
 8
            balance double,
            hashkey bigint,
10
           createdby string,
11
           createddate timestamp,
           updatedby string,
12
           updateddate timestamp
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       );
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        Create table if not exists customers_scd1
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        (
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          customer_id integer,
            first_name string,
20
           last_name string,
21
            address string,
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23
            city string,
24
            state string,
25
            zip string,
26
            hashkey long,
27
            createdby string,
28
            createddate timestamp,
            updatedby string,
29
30
           updateddate timestamp
31 );
         Create table if not exists loan_payments_scd1
           payment_id int,
loan_id int,
payment_date date,
payment_amount double,
hashkey long,
createddy string,
createddate timestamp,
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           updatedby string,
updateddate timestamp
         Create table if not exists loans_scd1
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  loan_id int,
  customer_id int,
  loan_amount double,
  interest_rate double,
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           loan_term int,
hashkey long,
createdby string,
createddate timestamp,
updatedby string,
updateddate timestamp:
         Create table if not exists transactions_scd1
           transaction_id int,
           transaction_td int,
account_id int,
transaction_date date,
transaction_amount double,
transaction_type string,
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           hashkey long,
createdby string,
createddate timestamp,
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           updatedby string,
updateddate timestamp
```

Created a function called scd_type1_logic

```
def scd_typel_logic(
    warehouse_table: str,
    lakehouse_table_name: str,
    join_key: str,
    update_columns: list,
    insert_columns: list,
    created_by: str = "fabric",
    updated_by: str = "fabric-updated"
        ):
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                              :
# Add hash to warehouse table
df_warehouse = spark.read.synapsesql(warehouse_table)
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                              df_hashed = (
                        or_nashed = (
    df_warehouse
    .withColumn("HashKey", crc32(concat_ws("|", "df_warehouse.columns)))
    .withColumn("CreatedDate", current_timestamp())
    .withColumn("UpdatedDate", current_timestamp())
    .withColumn("CreatedBy", lit(created_by))
    .withColumn("UpdatedBy", lit(created_by))
)
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                              # Load existing SCD1 table
target_table = DeltaTable.forName(spark, lakehouse_table_name)
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                               # Anti-join to find new/changed rows
                               df_src = (
df_hashed.alias("src")
                              dr_nashed.alias("src"),
.join(
    target_table.toOF().alias("tgt"),
    col(f"src.{join_key}") == col(f"tgt.{join_key}"),
    "left"
                                .filter(
                                        (col(f"tgt.{join_key}").isNull()) | # New records
(col("src.HashKey") != col("tgt.HashKey")) # Changed records
                                .select("src.*")
```

Calling that function:

```
awarehouse_shema = "warehouse_hw.dbo."

stakehouse_base_path = "lakehouse_hw?rables/"

table_names = ["accounts," customers", "loans," "loan_payments", "transactions"]

for name in table_names:

# Dynamically define join key and columns per file
if name = "accounts,"

join_key = "accountid,"

update_cols = incert_cols = ["account_id", "customer_id", "account_type", "balance"]

elif name == "usomer,"]

join_key = "customer_id,"

elif name == "loan_sic,"

join_key = "loan_id,"

update_cols = incert_cols = ["loan_id", "customer_id", "loan_amount", "interest_rate", "loan_term"]

elif name == "loan_payments,"

idin_key = "payment_id,"

update_cols = incert_cols = ["payment_id," loan_id," "payment_date,", "payment_amount,"]

elif name == "transactions,"

join_key = "payment_id,"

update_cols = incert_cols = ["transaction_id,", "account_id,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_mount,", "transaction_type,"]

elif name == "transactions, "["transaction_id,", "account_id,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_mount,", "transaction_type,"]

elif name == "transactions, "["transaction_id,", "account_id,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_mount,", "transaction_type,"]

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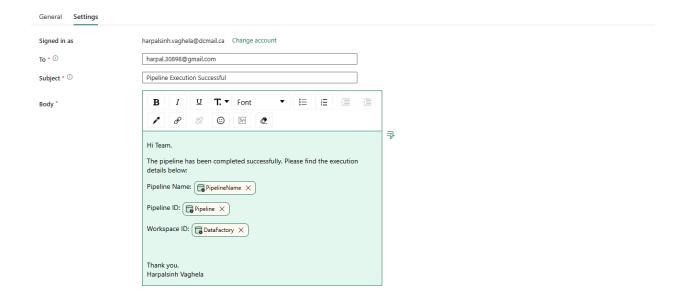
elif name, = "transactions, "["transaction_id,", "account_id,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_date,", "transaction_type,"]

elif name, = "transactions, "["transaction_id,", "acco
```

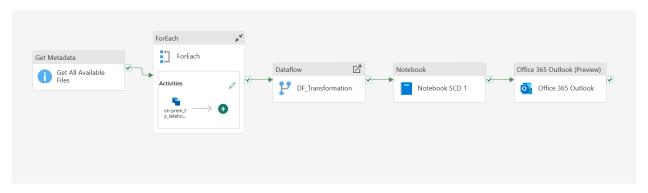
Go to Pipeline Design and take Outlook email Activity



Configure it as shown below:



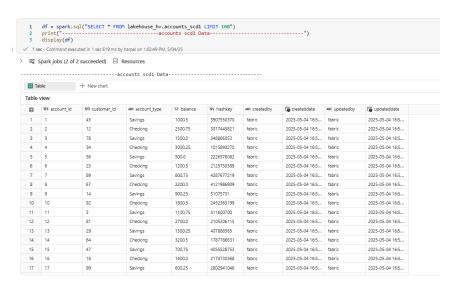
Entire Pipeline Design:



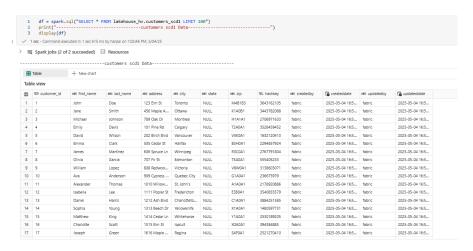
Run the pipeline:

Checking the data in the target tables

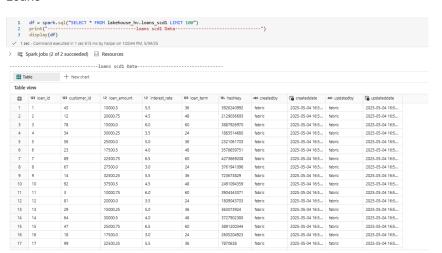
Accounts



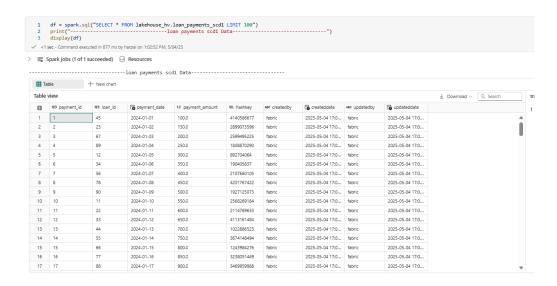
Customers



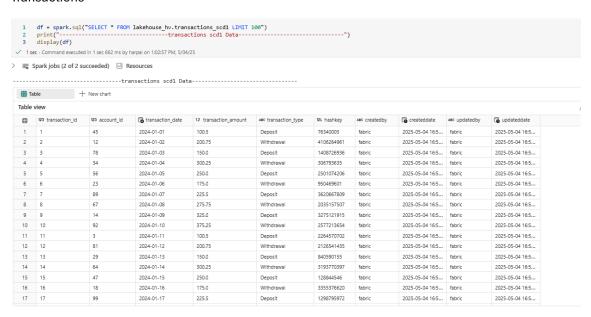
Loans



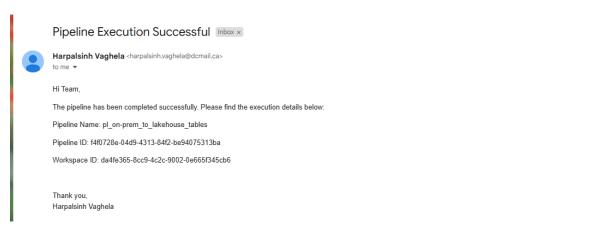
Loan Payments



Transactions

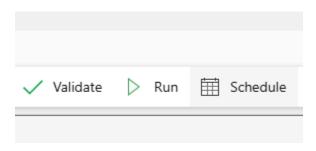


Email Notification

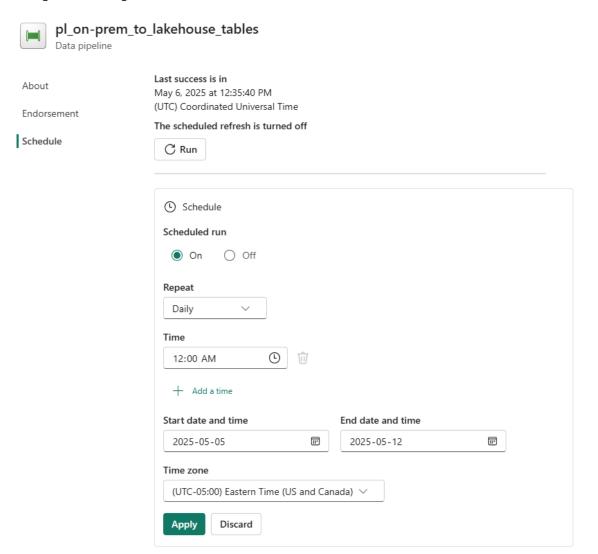


Step 5: Schedule the Pipeline:

Pipeline -> Click on Schedule



Configure according to need:

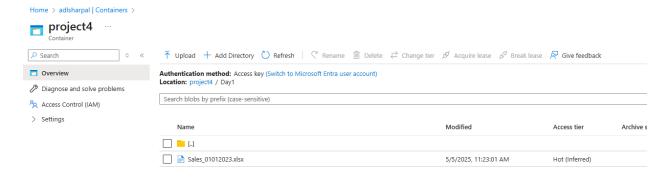


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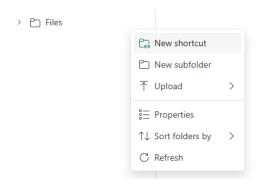
Task 2: Sales Data Modeling and Reporting Pipeline using Microsoft Fabric

Azure Home -> ADLS Gen 2 storage account

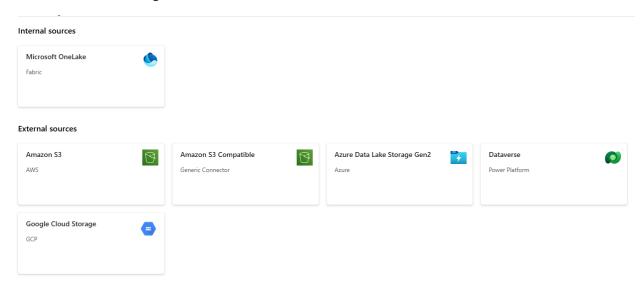
Upload the Sales Excel file, which has two sheets: "Sales" and "Returns"



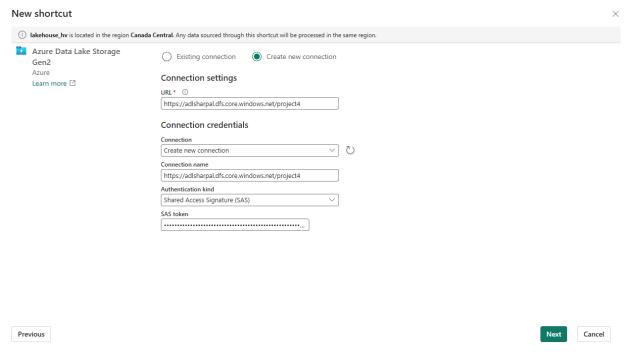
Go to Microsoft Fabric -> Lakehouse -> Files -> Create a new shortcut



Select ADLS Gen 2 Storage Account



Copy ADLS Gen 2 Storage Account End point URL and SAS token in this dialog



Click on Next

New shortcut

i lakehouse_hv is located in the region Canada Central. Any data sourced through this shortcut will be processed in the same region.

Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2

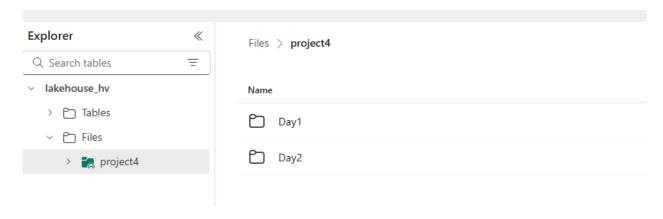
Select a bucket or directory

□ project4

□ Day1

□ Day2

Shortcut will be created into Files section of the lakehouse:



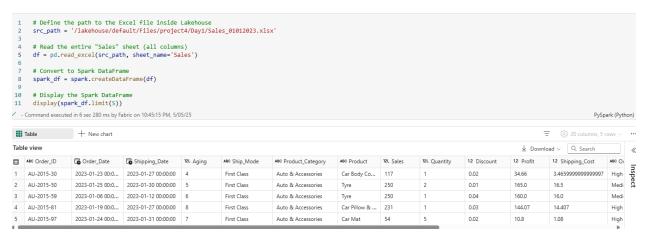
Fabric Workspace -> Create New Item -> Notebook

Here, we will read the Excel file.

All the required imports and libraries:

```
1 vimport com.microsoft.spark.fabric
2 from pyspark.sql.functions import col, round, regexp_replace, trim, when, year, month, quarter, weekofyear, to_date, expr, row_number, lit
3 from pyspark.sql.types import *
4 from datetime import datetime, timedelta
5 from pyspark.sql.window import Window
6 import pandas as pd
```

Read the data from the Sales Excel file "Sales" sheet

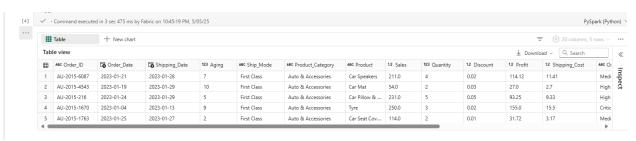


Data Transformation Steps

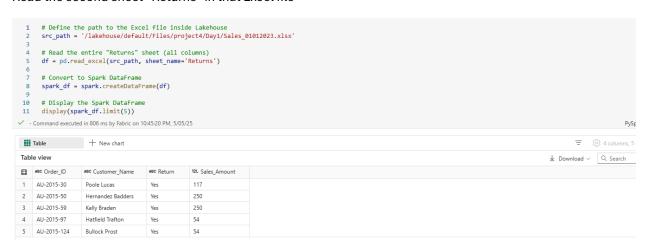
- Converted into appropriate data types
- Filter out the null records
- Rounding values to two decimal points

```
1 # Remove duplicates
     df_dedup = spark_df.dropDuplicates()
     # Cast to appropriate data types
      df_casted = df_dedup \
            .withColumn("Order_Date", col("Order_Date").cast(DateType())) \
            .withColumn("Shipping_Date", col("Shipping_Date").cast(DateType())) \
            .withColumn("Aging", col("Aging").cast(IntegerType())) \
.withColumn("Sales", col("Sales").cast(DoubleType())) \
.withColumn("Quantity", col("Quantity").cast(IntegerType())) \
.withColumn("Discount", col("Discount").cast(DoubleType())) \
.withColumn("Profit", col("Profit").cast(DoubleType())) \
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            .withColumn("Shipping_Cost", col("Shipping_Cost").cast(DoubleType()))
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       # Filter out rows where critical columns are null
16
      df_clean = df_casted.filter(
            col("Order_ID").isNotNull() & col("Order_Date").isNotNull() & col("Sales").isNotNull() &
17
18
19
20
            col("Customer_ID").isNotNull()
21
     )
22
     df_clean_rounded = df_clean \
23
           .withColumn("Shipping_Cost", round(col("Shipping_Cost"), 2)) \
24
            .withColumn("Sales", round(col("Sales"), 2)) \
.withColumn("Profit", round(col("Profit"), 2)) \
26
27
             .withColumn("Discount", round(col("Discount"), 2))
28
29
      # Display the cleaned DataFrame
30
       display(df_clean_rounded.limit(5))
```

Output after Transformation:



Read the second sheet "Returns" in that Excel file



Transformation steps on "Returns" Data

- Convert 'Sales_Amount' from string (\$250.00) to float
- Filter out the null records



Create **Date** Dimension Table

- Generates a 10-year date range from 2020 to 2030.
- Creates a DataFrame with business calendar columns like year, month, quarter, and week.
- Adds a surrogate key Date_ID using row_number based on the business date.
- Writes the final date dimension table to the Fabric Warehouse.

```
1 # ------Dimension - Date Table-----
     # Generate a 10-year date range
     start_date = datetime(2020, 1, 1)
end_date = datetime(2030, 12, 31)
     date_list = [start_date + timedelta(days=x) for x in range((end_date - start_date).days + 1)]
    # Convert to Spark DataFrame with a single column
     df_date = spark.createDataFrame([(d,) for d in date_list], ["BusinessDate"])
11 # Add business calendar columns
12
    df date = df date \
        F_date = of_date (
.withColumn("Business_Year", year("BusinessDate")) \
.withColumn("Business_Month", month("BusinessDate")) \
.withColumn("Business_Quarter", quarter("BusinessDate")) \
.withColumn("Business_Meek", weekofyear("BusinessDate"))
14
15
16
# Add Date_ID as surrogate key
df_date_with_id = df_date.withColumn(
           "Date_ID", row_number().over(Window.orderBy("BusinessDate"))
21 )
22
     # Reorder columns
24 df_date_with_id = df_date_with_id.select(
25
           "Date_ID", "BusinessDate", "Business_Year", "Business_Month", "Business_Quarter", "Business_Week"
26
28 # Write to Warehouse as table
29 df_date_with_id.write.mode('overwrite').synapsesql('warehouse_hv.sales.dim_date')
```

Create **Segment** Dimension Table

- Extracts unique segment values from the cleaned sales data.
- Generates a surrogate key Segment_ID using row_number.
- Selects Segment_ID and Segment columns for the dimension table.
- Saves the segment dimension table to the Fabric Warehouse.

Create Customer Segment Table

- Selects customer-related columns and removes duplicates from the cleaned dataset.
- Joins with dim_segment to map each customer to a Segment_ID.
- Normalizes by dropping the original Segment column and keeping Segment_ID.
- Writes the final customer dimension table to the Fabric Warehouse.

```
13
                                             ---Dimension - Customer-----
    dim_customer = df_clean_rounded.select(
15
         "Customer_ID", "Customer_Name", "Segment", "City", "State", "Country", "Region"
16 ).dropDuplicates()
    # Join with dim_segment to add Segment_ID
18
19    dim_customer_with_segment_id = dim_customer.join(
       df_segment_dim, on="Segment", how="left"
20
21 )
22
23 # Optional: drop Segment column to normalize
24
    dim_customer_final = dim_customer_with_segment_id.select(
25
          "Customer_ID", "Customer_Name", "Segment_ID", "City", "State", "Country", "Region"
26 )
27
    # Write to Warehouse as table
29 dim_customer_final.write.mode('overwrite').synapsesql('warehouse_hv.sales.dim_customer')
```

Create **Product** Dimension Table

- Removes duplicate entries based on the Product column from the cleaned dataset.
- Adds a Product_ID as a surrogate key using row_number() ordered by product name.
- Selects relevant columns for the product dimension table.
- Saves the dimension table to the Fabric Warehouse.

```
-----Dimension - Product-----
32 df_product = df_clean_rounded.dropDuplicates(["Product"])
33
34
   #Add ProductID Column
35
    df_product_dim = df_product.withColumn(
        "Product_ID", row_number().over(Window.orderBy("Product"))
36
37 )
39
   df_product_dim = df_product_dim.select("Product_ID", "Product", "Product_Category")
40
41
    # Write to Warehouse as table
42
    df_product_dim.write.mode('overwrite').synapsesql('warehouse_hv.sales.dim_product')
43
```

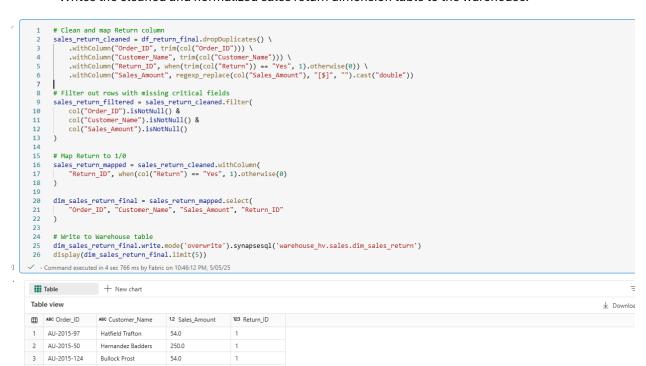
Create Order Dimension Table

- Extracts unique order records including dates, shipping info, and aging.
- Joins with the date dimension twice to replace Order_Date and Shipping_Date with surrogate keys.
- Selects normalized columns including Order_Date_ID and Shipping_Date_ID.
- Saves the finalized order dimension table to the Fabric Warehouse.

```
# ------Dimension - Order-----
     # Extract order table
     dim_order_raw = df_clean_rounded.select(
    "Order_ID", "Order_Date", "Shipping_Date", "Ship_Mode", "Order_Priority", "Aging"
     ).dropDuplicates()
     # Join with dim_date twice (for Order_Date and Shipping_Date)
     dim_order_with_order_date_id = dim_order_raw \
    .join(df_date_with_id.withColumnRenamed("BusinessDate", "Order_Date"), on="Order_Date", how="left") \
    withFolumnPenamed("Date In" "Order_Date", rows
           .withColumnRenamed("Date ID", "Order Date ID")
     dim_order_with_both_dates = dim_order_with_order_date_id \
        ...join(df_date_with_id.withColumnRenamed("BusinesSDate", "Shipping_Date"), on="Shipping_Date", how="left") \
.withColumnRenamed("Date_ID", "Shipping_Date_ID")
61
62
      # Select final normalized column
      "Steet Final = dim_order_with_both_dates.select(
"Order_ID",
"Order_Date_ID",
63
            "Shipping Date ID",
           "Ship_Mode",
"Order_Priority",
68
           "Aging
71 dim_order_final.write.mode('overwrite').synapsesql('warehouse_hv.sales.dim_order')
```

Create Sales_Return Dimension Table (Cleaning and Mapping on "Returns" Data)

- Removes duplicates and trims whitespaces from important columns.
- Cleans Sales_Amount by removing currency symbols and casting to numeric type.
- Maps Return values to Return_ID using binary logic (Yes → 1, No → 0).
- Writes the cleaned and normalized sales return dimension table to the warehouse.



Create a Fact Table (fact_sales)

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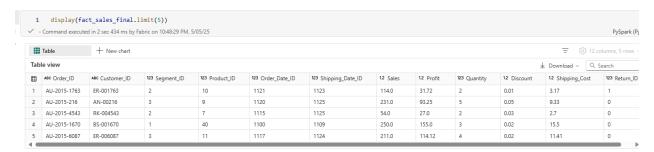
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- Loads all required dimension tables from the Fabric Warehouse.
- Joins the cleaned sales data with product, customer, order, and return dimension tables.
- Ensures Return_ID is not null by assigning 0 for missing values.
- Selects key foreign IDs and measures to form the final fact table and writes it to the warehouse.

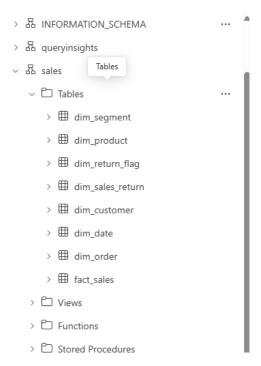
```
# Read dimension tables from Fabric Warehouse
dim_customer = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_customer")
dim_product = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_product")
dim_order = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_order")
     dim_sales_return = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_sales_return")
dim_segment = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_segment")
dim_date = spark.read.synapsesql("warehouse_hv.sales.dim_date")
17 \quad \text{fact\_joined = fact\_joined.withColumn("Return\_ID", when(col("Return\_ID").isNull(), \theta).otherwise(col("Return\_ID")))} \\
                            ----- Final Fact Table -----
19
20 v fact_sales_final = fact_joined.select(
          "Order_ID",
"Customer_ID",
"Segment_ID",
"Product_ID",
"Order_Date_ID",
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
             "Shipping_Date_ID",
            "Sales",
"Profit",
28
29
             "Quantity",
             "Discount"
             "Shipping_Cost",
31
             "Return_ID'
33
       # Save fact table to Warehouse
       fact_sales_final.write.mode('overwrite').synapsesql('warehouse_hv.sales.fact_sales')
```

Check few records from Fact Table

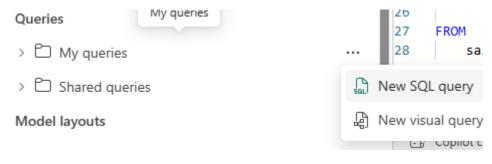


Go to Warehouse

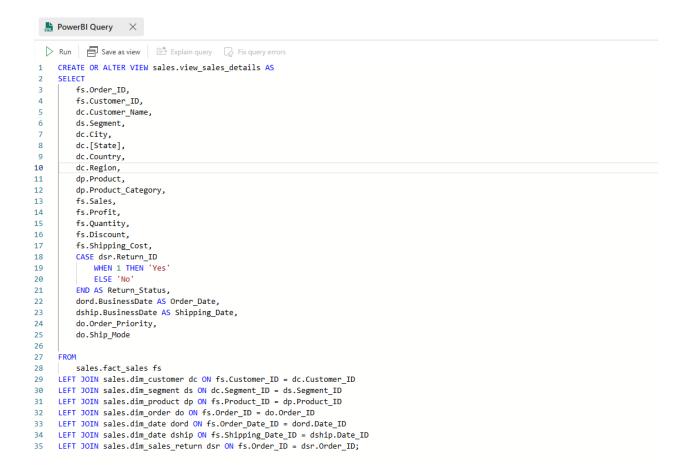
We can see all the tables loaded here:



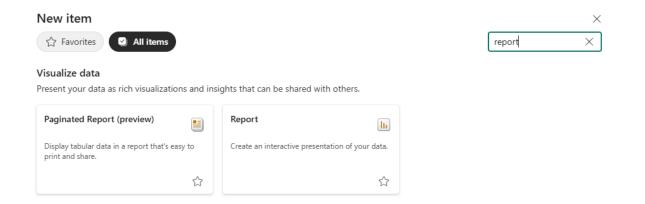
Go to Queries -> My queries -> New SQL query



Here, we will create a view that can be used to create visuals in Power BI.

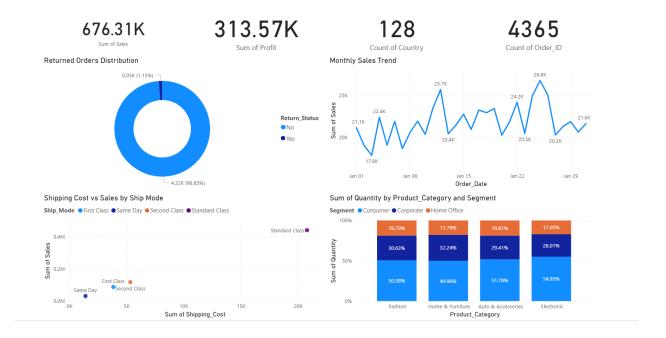


Go to Workspace -> New Item -> Search for Report



Click on Create a blank report import view as dataset/table

Created the dashboard as shown below:



Points to remember:

- All Excel and CSV files (Sales and Returns) were read, cleaned, and transformed using Fabric Notebooks before loading into tables.
- Turn on the fabric capacity before doing any work on fabric workspace.
- Dimension Modeling: Multiple dimension tables were created—dim_customer, dim_product, dim_order, dim_date, dim_segment, and dim_sales_return—following star schema best practices.
- Surrogate keys like Date_ID, Segment_ID, and Product_ID were generated using row_number() to ensure normalization and consistent joins.
- Cleaning steps included trimming strings, removing duplicates, handling nulls, and casting fields (e.g., converting currency fields to double).
- The fact table includes only numeric measures and foreign keys from all relevant dimension tables (not raw text fields).
- dim_date provides a full calendar reference, enabling reporting by year, month, quarter, and week using Order_Date_ID and Shipping_Date_ID.
- A view (view_sales_details) was created in the warehouse to simplify Power BI queries and unify all descriptive fields via joins.
- All cleaned dimensions and the final fact table were written to the Fabric Warehouse using .synapsesql() for downstream reporting.