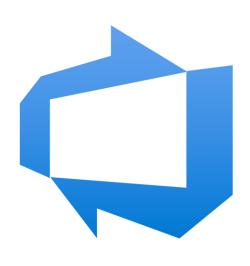
Microsoft Fabric and Azure DevOps – The story so far





Azure DevOps

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Managing expectations

Demos during the session

All on Trial tenant (no NDA material)

 Includes details about new Microsoft CI/CD workflows document

Agenda

- Bio
- Intro to Microsoft Fabric
- Intro to Azure DevOps
- Configuring Azure Repos for Git integration
- Using Azure DevOps with suggested CI/CD workflow options
- CI/CD for Data Warehouses

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Microsoft Fabric

Comp analytics platform Lake centric and open Empower every Business user

AI Powered

















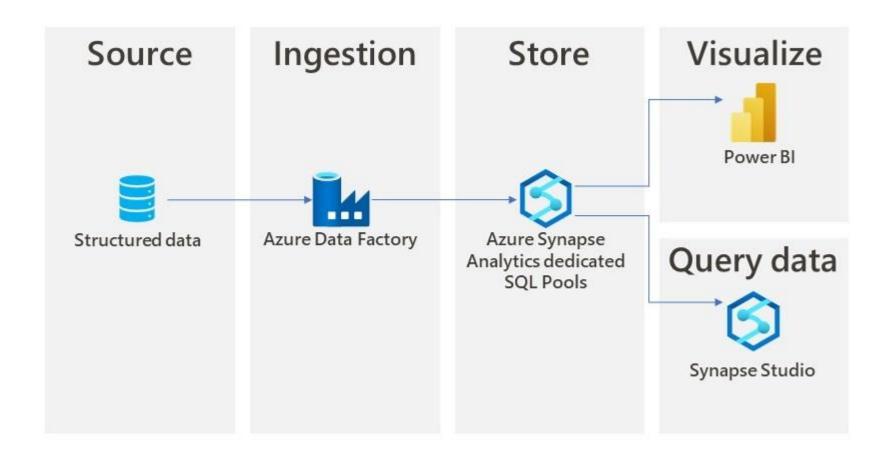


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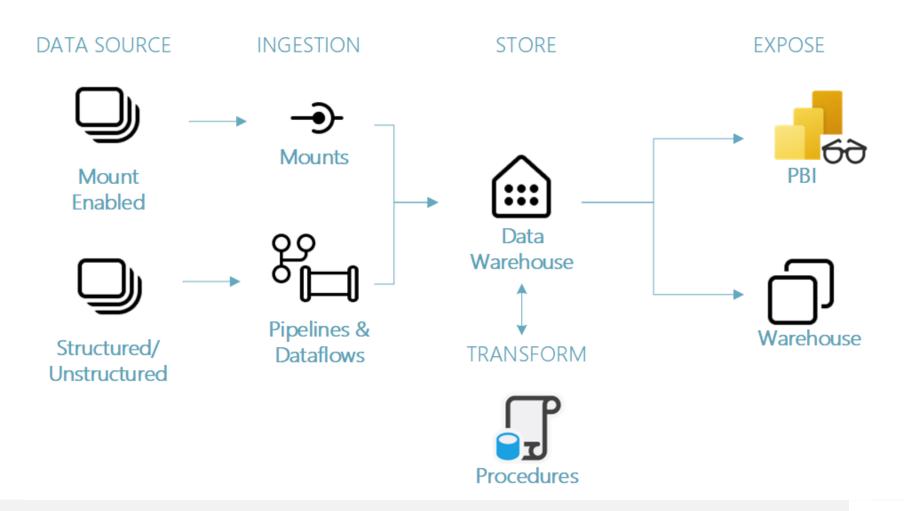




Integrating various services



Within Microsoft Fabric



Fabric Demo



Azure DevOps

Manages Application Lifecycle Management

Collection of services

Two main versions

Azure DevOps Demo



About Microsoft Fabric Git Integration

- Allows supported items in a workspace to have metadata synchronized with a Git repository.
 - To be more precise a workspace synchronizes with a branch.
- Items supported at various levels.
- Supports Azure DevOps and GitHub cloud-based offerings.
- Requires Fabric or Power BI Premium capacity.

Configuring AzDo for Microsoft Fabric Git Integration

Utilizes Microsoft Entra ID authentication.

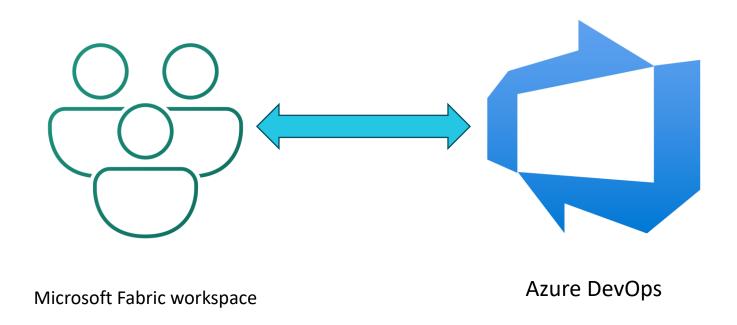
Both workspace and repository require access.

 Entra user needs to be on same tenant, Azure DevOps org does not!

Security considerations

- Keep organization & repository in relevant region.
- Keep organization private.
- Consider GitHub Advanced Security for Azure DevOps.

Git integration Demo

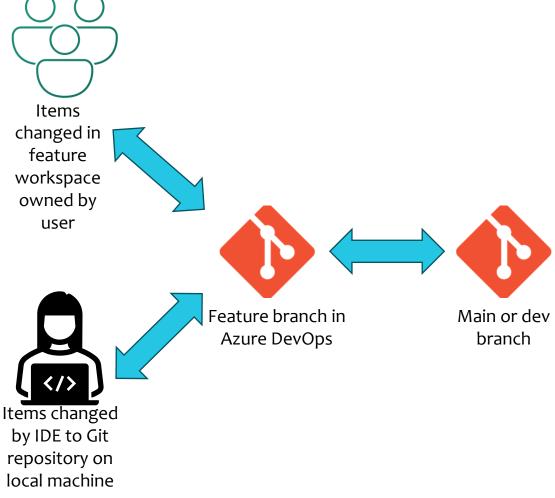


Using Azure DevOps with suggested CI/CD workflow options

Microsoft released document last month.

 Highlight how Azure DevOps fits into suggested CI/CD workflows.

Recommended development process



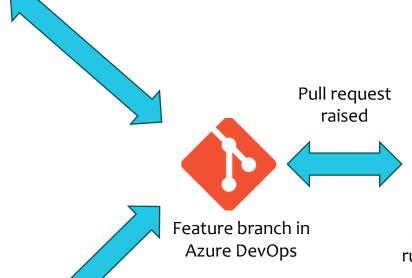
One step further for Power Bl

reports

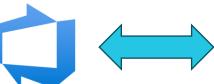
Power BI report changed in feature workspace



Power BI changed locally in Power BI Desktop to Git repository on local machine



CI checks passed



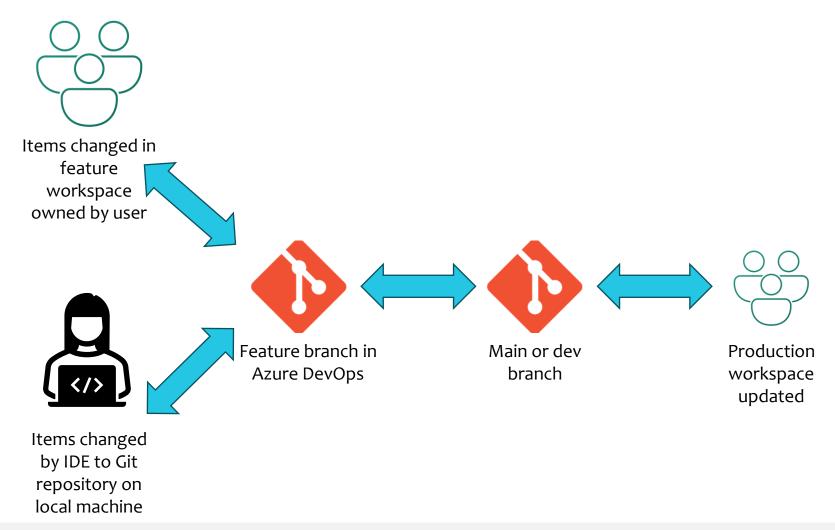
Main or dev branch updated

Azure Pipeline runs. Performing CI tests using Tabular Editor and PBI Inspector

Release Option 1 – Git-based deployments

- Deploy to multiple workspaces connected to the same Git repository.
- Achieved with different branches.

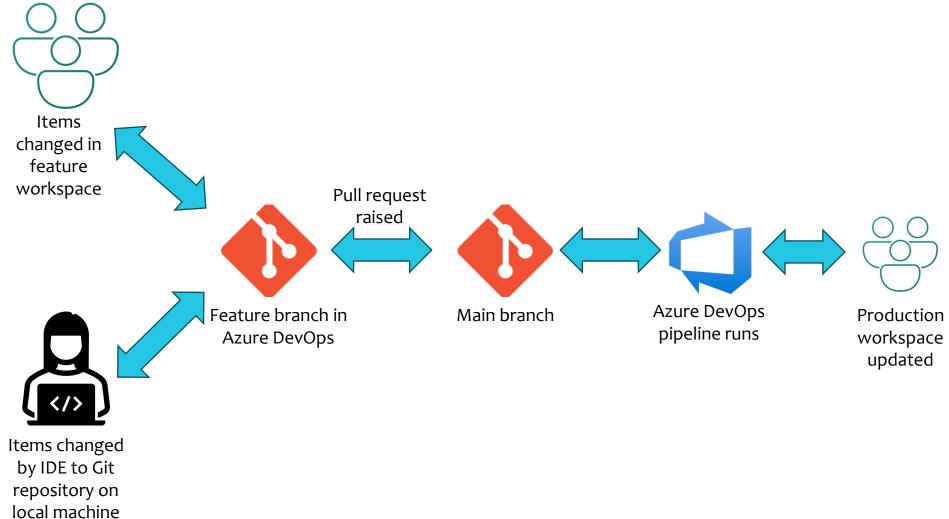
Release Option 1 - Diagram



Release Option 2 – Git-based deployments using build pipeline

- · Deploy to different workspaces using Azure Pipelines.
- Recommendation is that each workflow contains a build and release process.
 - Build for unit tests.
 - Release to perform update.
- Note that for APIs only Power BI items are supported by service principals at this moment in time

Release Option 2 - Diagram



Azure Pipeline recommendations

- Consider YAML Pipelines.
 - You cannot do a PR on a classic pipeline!
- Self-hosted agents to keep workload secure.
- Use variable groups & Azure Key Vault
- Implement approvals process for production workloads via environments.

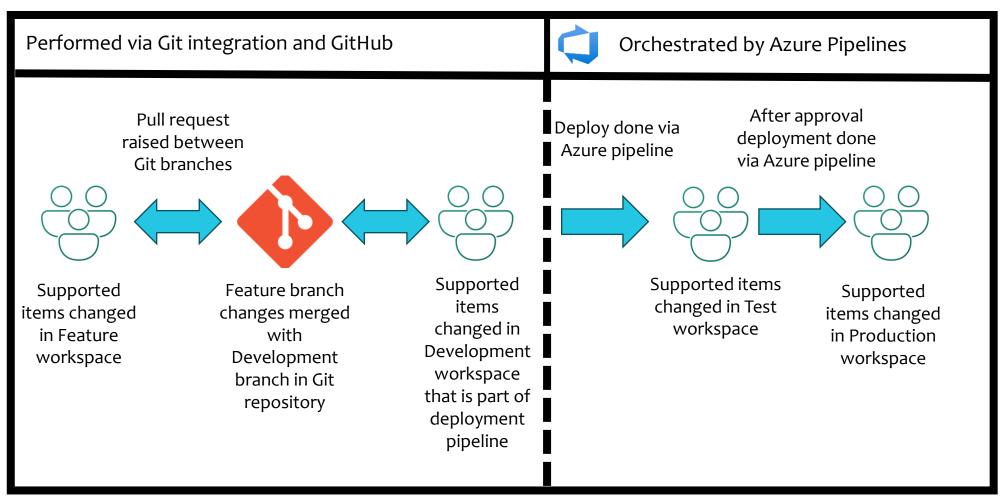
Release Option 3 – Deploy using Microsoft Fabric deployment pipelines

- Perform your pull request from feature branch to branch connected to a workspace that represents Dev stage of a deployment pipeline.
- From there orchestrate using Microsoft Fabric deployment pipelines.
- Alternatively, orchestrate to different Microsoft Fabric deployment pipeline stages using Azure DevOps.

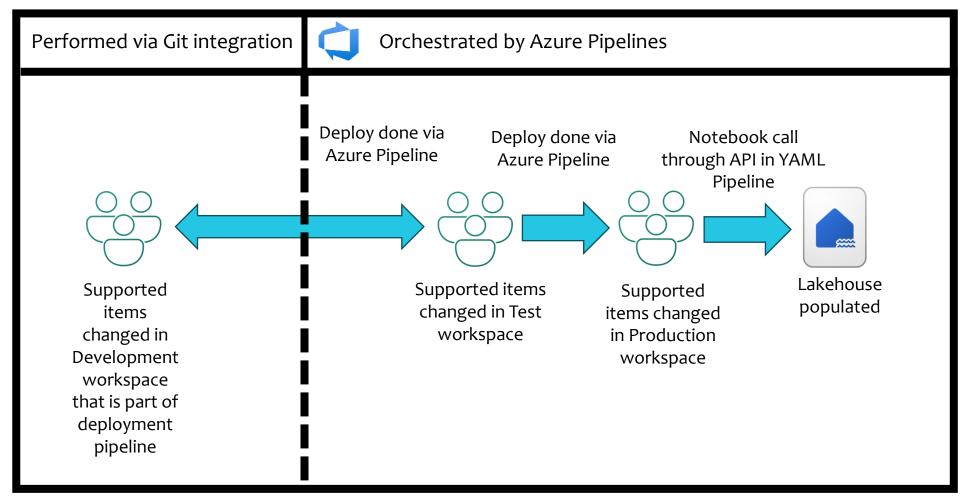
Release Option 3 - Diagram

Performed via Git integration and Azure DevOps Performed via Fabric Deployment pipelines Deploy done Pull request Deploy done via via deployment raised between deployment pipeline Git branches pipeline Supported items Supported Supported Feature branch Supported changed in Test items items changed changes merged items changed changed in workspace in Feature with in Production Development Development workspace workspace workspace branch in Git that is part of repository deployment pipeline

Orchestrated by Azure Pipelines



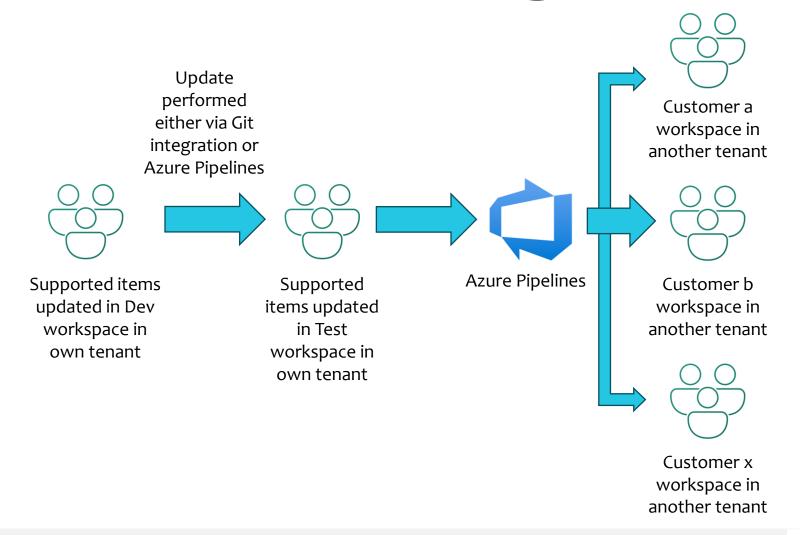
Advantage of Azure Pipelines



Release Option 4 – For multiple customers/solutions/tenants

- Dev and test stages are managed in same Fabric tenant.
- Deployment to Prod stages to workspaces in other tenants using Azure Pipelines

Release Option 4 - Diagram



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Demos

Power BI Desktop Projects

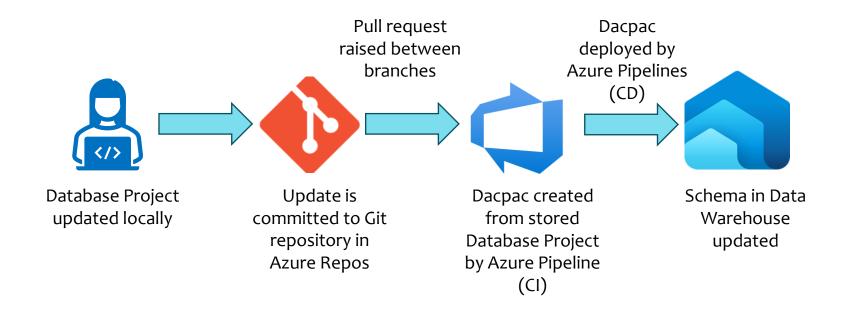
 Deploying to multiple workspaces via Git integration

Deploying via deployment pipelines

CI/CD methods for Data Warehouses

- Can connect to Data Warehouse via connection string
- Allows deployment through traditional CI/CD methods.
 - State-based (dacpac)
 - Migration-based
- Supports Database Projects created in number of places.
- Can be deployed using an Azure DevOps pipeline.

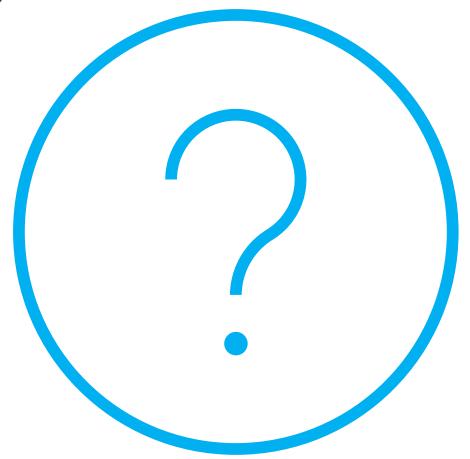
CI/CD for Data Warehouses



CI/CD for Data Warehouse Demo



Questions



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Links shared

- Thoughts about disabling classic pipelines in Azure DevOps
- Introduction to Git integration
- Power BI Desktop projects
- Power BI Project (PBIP) and Azure DevOps CI performance tests

Additional links shared

- Working with Microsoft Fabric Git integration and multiple workspaces
- Initial tests to copy a Direct Lake semantic model to another workspace using Microsoft Fabric Git integration
- Introduction to deployment pipelines
- CI/CD for Microsoft Fabric Data Warehouses using Azure DevOps