

# Sora Union Data Engineering Task

## Data Warehousing & ETL Process

The project provided us with two CSV files in a Google Sheet, in which we are expected to design a data warehouse and create an ETL process.

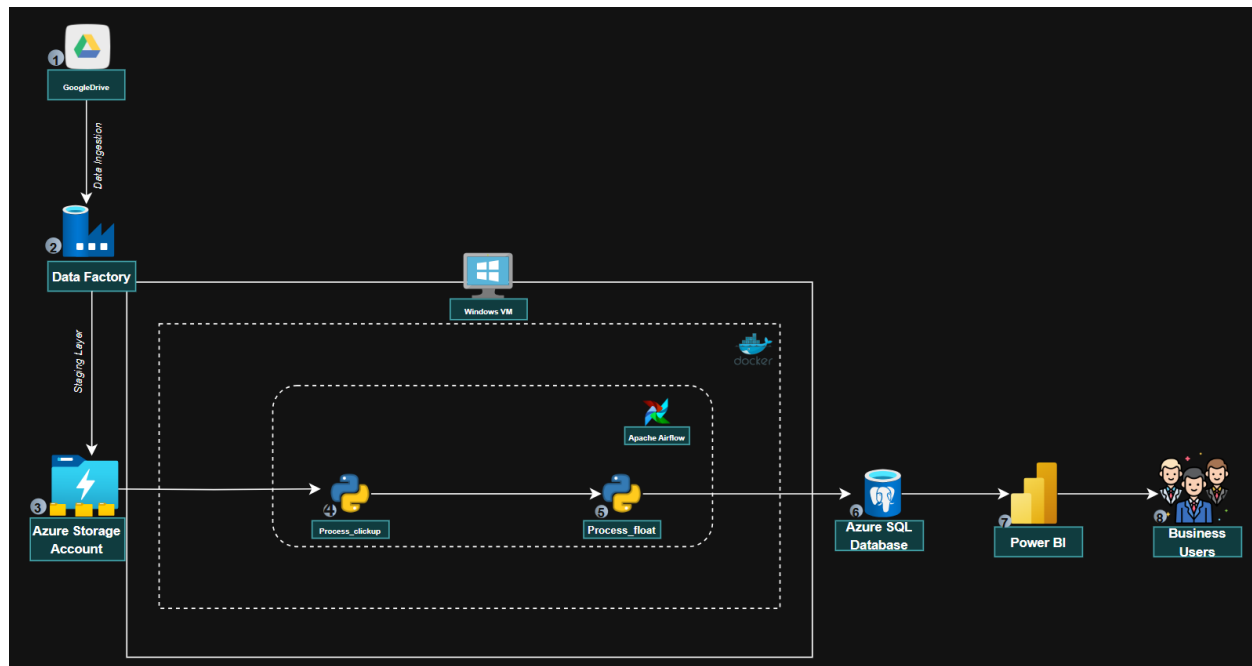
### Assumption

Assuming the data comes in a batch process daily to Google Drive and are ingested to a storage account like **S3 bucket, Google Cloud Storage, or Azure Storage Account (ADLS)** using ETL tools like Fivetran, AWS Glue, Azure Data Factory or Dataproc. For this project, we will be using the **Azure Storage Account, data Lake Gen 2** for storing the **Float and Clickup** which will be ingested using the Azure Data Factory.

Since the data gets ingested to the storage account daily, we will be using the concept of getting the latest file (Last Modified Date) in the storage account, performing the necessary transformation and modeling before inserting it into the Azure PostgreSQL Database.

## Project Architecture

Based on our early assumption you will notice that data from the Google Drive are ingested to Azure Storage Account (adls) using the Azure Data Factory, we then created a **DAG** process in **Apache Airflow** for Orchestrating the whole process from ingestion of data to transformation and finally loading into Azure PostgreSQL Database (Flexible Server). This process was set to run at **7:00 WAT/ GMT+ 1/ UTC +1** daily



*Project Architecture*

## Data Modeling and Warehouse Design

For this reason, we are going to break it into two parts:

- *Table Creating with Relationship*
- *Entity Relationship Diagram*

### Table Creation

Following the Start Schema design approach we are going to break the data into two fact tables and five-dimension tables.

### Fact Tables

This contains the incremental tables that will continue to grow on a steady basis. Optimized for analytical queries.

- **fact\_time\_tracking:** Stores actual time entries from ClickUp
- **fact\_allocation:** Stores resource allocation/planning data from Float

### Dimension Tables

This is information about the fact table containing necessary information used in the modeling process.

- **dim\_client:** Client information
- **dim\_project:** Project details with client relationships
- **dim\_employee:** Employee information
- **dim\_role:** Role definitions
- **dim\_date:** Date dimension for time-based analysis

## Data Integrity

For Data Integrity we ensured following the best practice by creating references and using the indexing approach for query optimization.

### a) Referential Integrity:

- Foreign key constraints on all dimension references
- Ensures data consistency across the warehouse

### b) Indexing Strategy:

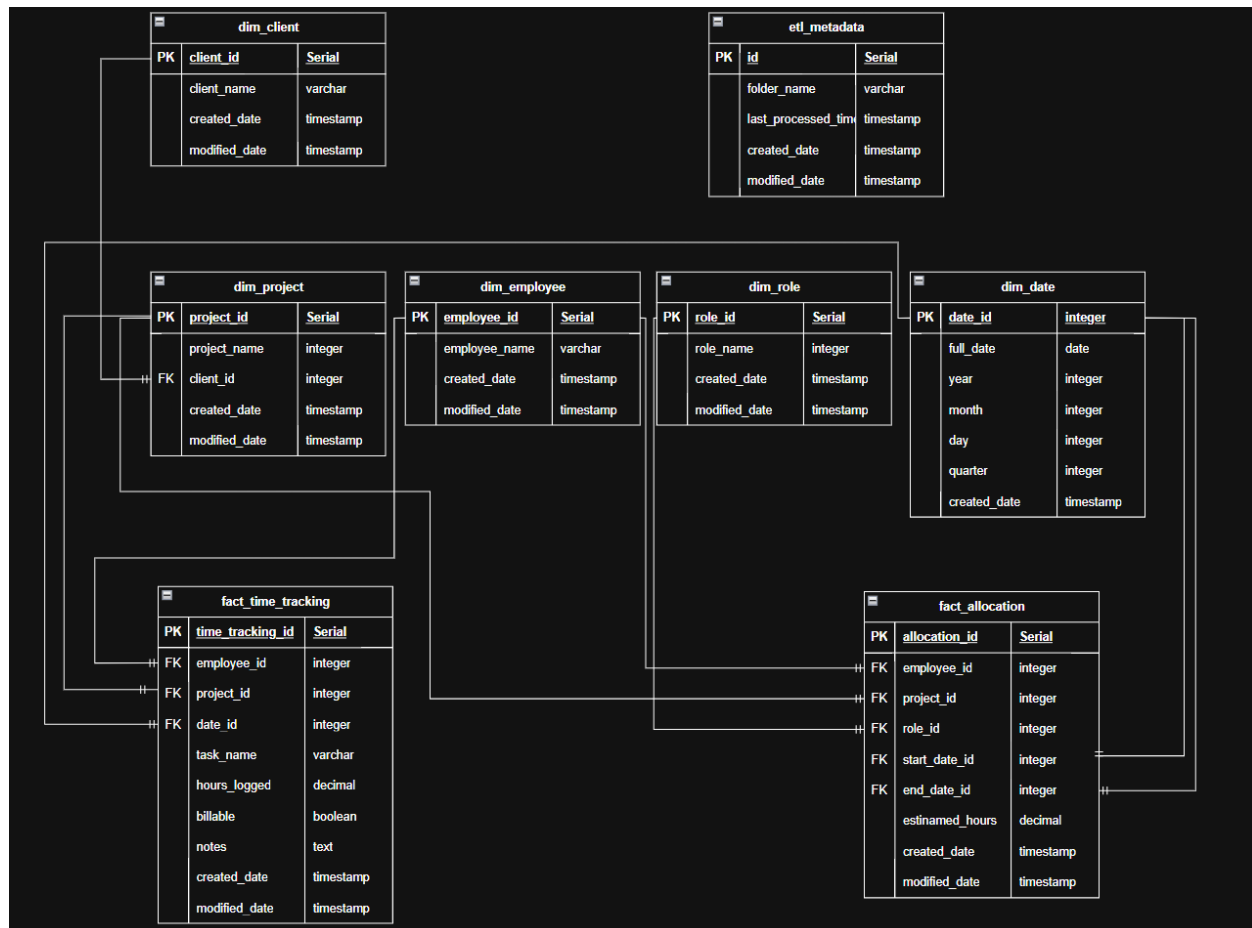
- Primary keys on all tables
- Foreign key indexes for joining optimization
- Composite index on allocation dates
- Created\_date and modified\_date tracking

### c) ETL Metadata

These are standard data used in keeping records and changes.

## Entity Relationship Diagram

Entity-relationship (ER) modeling is a visual approach to data modeling used to represent the structure of a database. It is used to identify the "things" (entities) in a system and how they relate to each other.



Project ER Diagram

## One-to-Many Relationships:

- A client can have multiple projects (1:M)
- A project can have multiple time tracking entries (1:M)
- A project can have multiple allocations (1:M)
- An employee can have multiple time tracking entries (1:M)
- An employee can have multiple allocations (1:M)
- A role can be used in multiple allocations (1:M)
- A date can be referenced by multiple time tracking entries (1:M)
- A date can be the start or end date for multiple allocations (1:M)

## Fact Table Relationships:

### fact\_time\_tracking connects to:

- dim\_employee
- dim\_project
- dim\_date

### fact\_allocation connects to:

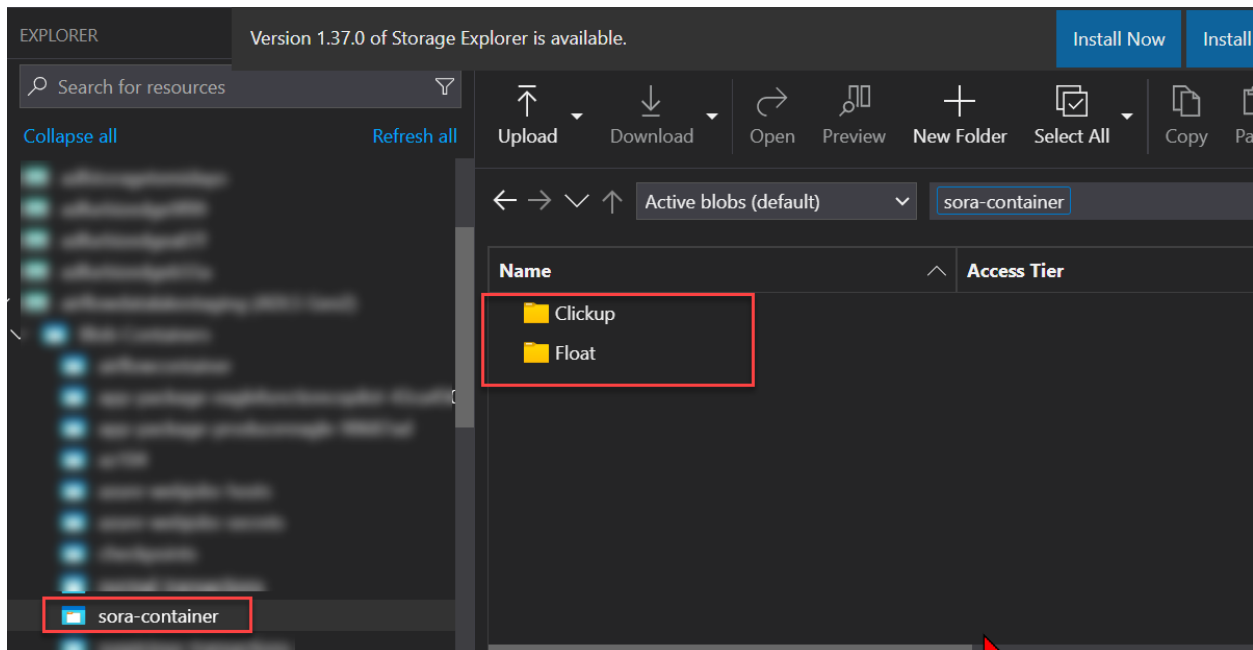
- dim\_employee
- dim\_project
- dim\_role
- dim\_date (twice, for start and end dates)

#### Independent Tables:

- etl\_metadata is independent and used for ETL process tracking

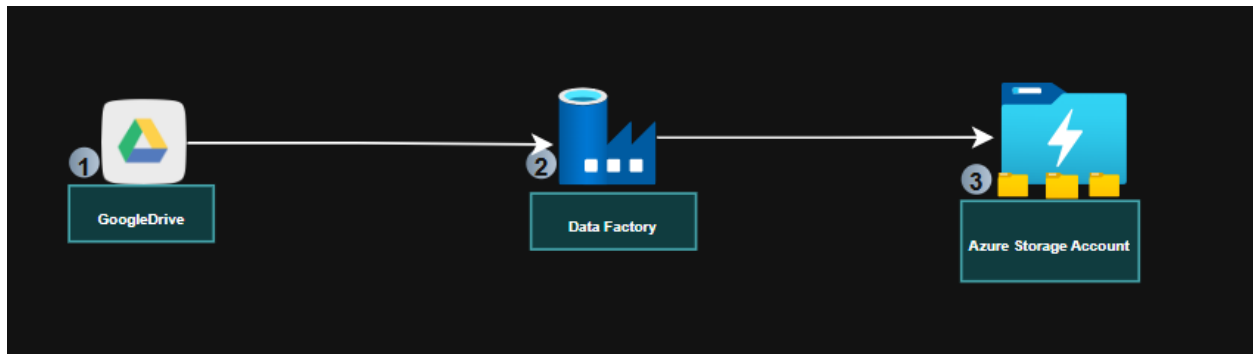
## ETL Process and Pipeline Development

This section focuses on the ETL process and pipeline development. Firstly let start by creating two empty folders in our **container(prefix- adls)**. These are the containers where the ingestion process will start from.



## Data Ingestion with Data Factory

At this point we are going to create a pipeline using Azure Data Factory that will ingest the data from Google Drive and store it in our staging layer which is the adls.



*Ingestion Phase*

## Pipeline Creation

In the Azure Data Factory the following components are created to achieve this.

- **Source Dataset**
- **Source Linked Service**
- **Activity (Copy Activity - Google Drive to adls)**
- **Sink Linked Service**
- **Sink Dataset**

From the image below you will notice the data copied successfully from Google Drive to ADLS which serves as our storage layer.

The screenshot displays the Azure Data Factory console. On the left, the 'Activities' pane shows a search bar and a list of activity categories. The main workspace shows a 'Copy data' activity named 'clickupPipeline' with a green checkmark indicating success. Below the activity, the 'Output' tab is selected, showing the 'Pipeline run ID' and 'Pipeline status' as 'Succeeded'. A table at the bottom lists the activity details:

Activity name	Activity status	Activity name	Run start	Duration	Integration runtime
clickupPipeline	✓ Succeeded	Copy data	2/2/2025, 5:17:26 AM	14s	AutoResolveIntegrationRuntime (East US)

*Successful Pipeline Run*

We can confirm the data in the storage account.

← → ∨ ↑ Active blobs (default) sora-container > Clickup			Filter by prefix (case-sensitive)
Name	Access Tier	Access Tier Last Modified	
clickup.csv	Hot (inferred)		

## Transformation and Loading Preparation

At this stage we will be developing the transformation logic and creating and orchestration process using Apache Airflow

### Pre-requisite

- **Docker Desktop (Using Windows)**
- **Virtual Machine/ EC2 Instant (Windows Server)**
- **WSL - Windows Subsystem for Linux (Applicable for only Windows Users)**
- **Preferred IDE - VSCode**

## Setting Airflow on Docker

By going through the official documentation on Airflow Docker was a straight process.

<https://airflow.apache.org/docs/apache-airflow/stable/howto/docker-compose/index.html#running-airflow-in-docker>

### Folder Breakdown

#### Sora Union/

```
>> config
-- .env
-- config.py
>> dags
-- etl_dag.py
-- etl_process.py
-- utils.py
>> logs
>> plugins
```

- **.env:** Environment variables and sensitive configuration. Stores sensitive configuration like:

Azure Storage credentials, PostgreSQL database connection details.

- **config.py:** Configuration loader and settings management. Loads environment variables and defines constants used across the application.
- **etl\_dag.py:** Airflow DAG definition and task orchestration.
  - **process\_clickup:** Processes ClickUp time tracking data
  - **process\_float:** Processes Float resource allocation data
  - Configures scheduling (runs daily at 6 AM UTC)
- **etl\_process.py:** Core ETL transformation logic. Contains the ETLProcess class which handles:
  - Dimension table management (clients, projects, employees, roles)
  - Data transformation logic for both ClickUp and Float data
  - Fact table loading for time tracking and resource allocation
  - Incremental loading through metadata tracking
- **utils.py:** Utility classes for Azure and PostgreSQL connections.

Provides utility classes:

- **AzureStorageClient:**
  - Handles connections to Azure Data Lake Storage
  - Manages file listing and reading
- **PostgresClient:**
  - Manages database connections
  - Provides methods for querying and data loading

## Airflow Orchestration

After successfully setting up your code you can run it on the Airflow Webserver UI and see it works as expected.

The screenshot shows a VS Code editor with the file explorer on the left displaying the project structure for 'SORA UNION'. The main editor window shows the `etl_dag.py` file with the following code:

```

54 def run_float_etl(**context):
55     # Create the DAG
56     with DAG(
57         'sora_etl_pipeline',
58         default_args=default_args,
59         description='ETL pipeline for ClickUp and Float data',
60         schedule_interval='0 6 * * *', # 7 AM MAT (6 AM UTC)
61         start_date=days_ago(1),
62         catchup=False,
63         tags=['etl', 'sora'],
64     ) as dag:

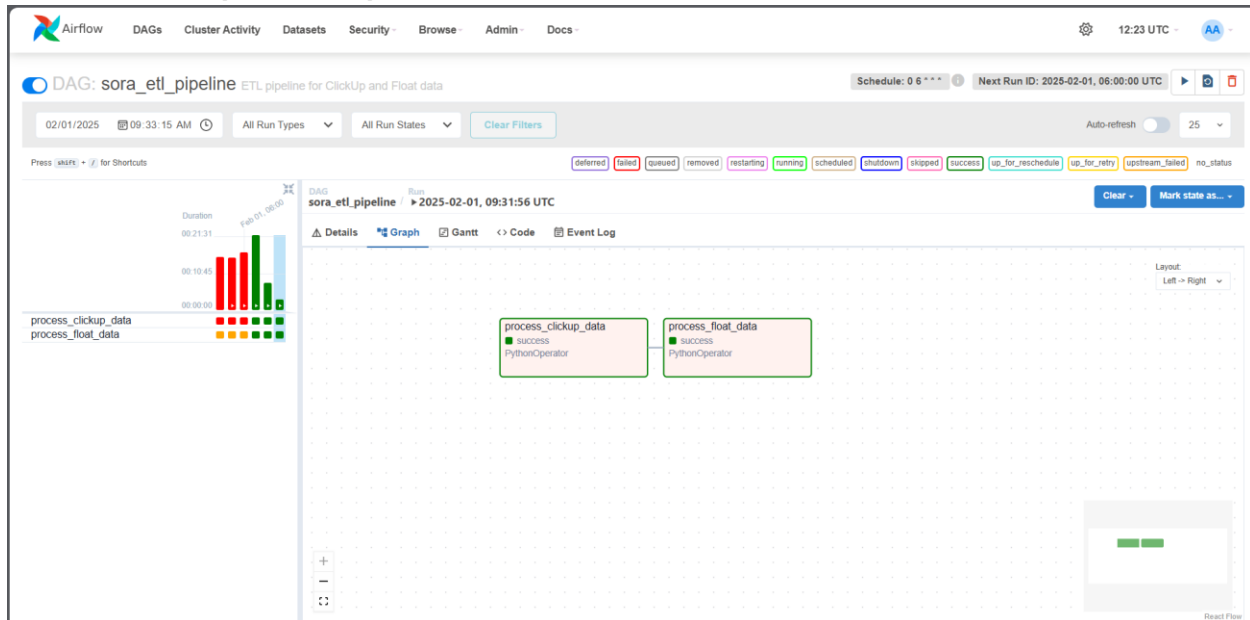
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The terminal window at the bottom shows the output of the Airflow scheduler and workers. The logs indicate that the Airflow scheduler and workers have successfully started and are running the ETL pipeline. The logs also show that the Airflow scheduler has received a SIGTERM signal and is shutting down, and that the Airflow workers have received a fast shutdown request and are aborting any active transactions.



```
docker-compose up
```

## Process\_clickup\_data >> process\_float\_data



## Airflow Orchestration

## Test and Validate ETL Process

After successfully running the entire ETL process we can test it by using the SELECT statement in PostgreSQL Database.

```
select * from datamart.dim_client
```

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select * from datamart.dim_client
limit 100
```

dim\_client 1 ×

select \* from datamart.dim\_client limit 100 Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	client_id	client_name	created_date	modified_date
1	1	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
2	2	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
3	3	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
4	4	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
5	5	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
6	6	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
7	7	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417
8	8	Client 1	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417	2025-02-01 09:32:15.417

```
select * from datamart.dim_date
select * from datamart.dim_date
```

date 1 ×

select \* from datamart.dim\_date Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	date_id	full_date	year	month	day	quarter	created_date
	20,230,703	2023-07-03	2,023	7	3	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,704	2023-07-04	2,023	7	4	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,705	2023-07-05	2,023	7	5	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,706	2023-07-06	2,023	7	6	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,707	2023-07-07	2,023	7	7	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,708	2023-07-08	2,023	7	8	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,709	2023-07-09	2,023	7	9	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,710	2023-07-10	2,023	7	10	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,711	2023-07-11	2,023	7	11	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,712	2023-07-12	2,023	7	12	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,713	2023-07-13	2,023	7	13	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,714	2023-07-14	2,023	7	14	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,715	2023-07-15	2,023	7	15	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223
	20,230,716	2023-07-16	2,023	7	16	3	2025-02-01 09:32:11.223

```
select * from datamart.dim_employee
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select * from datamart.dim_employee
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employee 1 ×

ct \* from datamart.dim\_employee | *Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)*

	123 employee_id	A-Z employee_name	🕒 created_date	🕒 modified_date
	1	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	2	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	3	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	4	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	5	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	6	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	7	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	8	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	9	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	10	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	11	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	12	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	13	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	14	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664
	15	Isabella Rodriguez	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664	2025-02-01 09:32:31.664

```
select * from datamart.dim_project
```

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select * from datamart.dim_project
```

dim\_project 1 ×

select \* from datamart.dim\_project | *Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)*

	123 project_id	A-Z project_name	123 client_id	🕒 created_date	🕒 modified_date
1	1	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
2	2	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
3	3	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
4	4	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
5	5	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
6	6	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
7	7	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
8	8	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
9	9	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
10	10	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
11	11	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
12	12	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
13	13	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
14	14	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037
15	15	Website Development	1 📄	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037	2025-02-01 09:32:21.037

```
select * from datamart.dim_role
```

`select * from datamart.dim_role`

dim\_role 1 ×

`select * from datamart.dim_role` | Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	123 role_id	A-Z role_name	🕒 created_date	🕒 modified_date
1	1	Product Designer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
2	2	Design Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
3	3	Front End Engineer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
4	4	QA Engineer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
5	5	Project Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
6	6	Brand Designer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
7	7	Design Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
8	8	Project Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922	2025-02-01 09:33:06.922
9	9	Localization Specialist UK	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923
10	10	Brand Designer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923
11	11	Design Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923
12	12	Brand Designer	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923
13	13	Project Manager	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923	2025-02-01 09:33:06.923

`select * from datamart.fact_allocation`

`select * from datamart.fact_allocation`

fact\_allocation 1 ×

`select * from datamart.fact_allocation` | Enter a SQL expression to filter results (use Ctrl+Space)

	123 allocation_id	123 employee_id	123 project_id	123 role_id	123 start_date_id	123 end_date_id	123 estimated_hours	🕒 created_date
1	1	1	1	1	20,230,703	20,230,724	112	2025-02-01 09
2	2	26	1	2	20,230,703	20,230,724	24	2025-02-01 09
3	3	50	1	3	20,230,731	20,230,828	189	2025-02-01 09
4	4	83	1	4	20,230,821	20,230,904	77	2025-02-01 09
5	5	100	1	5	20,230,703	20,230,904	92	2025-02-01 09
6	6	169	169	6	20,230,703	20,230,724	112	2025-02-01 09
7	7	26	169	2	20,230,703	20,230,724	32	2025-02-01 09
8	8	100	169	5	20,230,703	20,230,724	24	2025-02-01 09
9	9	242	242	9	20,230,710	20,230,814	182	2025-02-01 09
10	10	169	242	6	20,230,724	20,230,828	182	2025-02-01 09
11	11	26	242	2	20,230,724	20,230,828	52	2025-02-01 09
12	12	358	242	6	20,230,724	20,230,828	0	2025-02-01 09
13	13	100	242	5	20,230,710	20,230,828	36	2025-02-01 09

`select * from datamart.fact_time_tracking`

fact\_time\_tracking 1 ×

select \* from datamart.fact\_time\_tracking

	time_tracking_id	employee_id	project_id	date_id	task_name	hours_logged	billable	notes	created_date
1	1	1	1	20,230,703	Design	6.5	[v]	Refined design elements	2025-02-01 09:3
2	2	1	1	20,230,704	Design	6.5	[v]	Drafted initial design concepts	2025-02-01 09:3
3	3	1	1	20,230,705	Design	6	[v]	Drafted initial design concepts	2025-02-01 09:3
4	4	1	1	20,230,706	Design	7	[v]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
5	5	1	1	20,230,707	Design	7	[v]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
6	6	1	1	20,230,707	Project Meeting	1.5	[ ]	Project meeting	2025-02-01 09:3
7	7	1	1	20,230,708	Design	7.5	[v]	Finalized design	2025-02-01 09:3
8	8	1	1	20,230,709	Design	7	[v]	Prepared design for implementation	2025-02-01 09:3
9	9	1	1	20,230,710	Design	7	[v]	Refined design elements	2025-02-01 09:3
10	10	1	1	20,230,710	Project Meeting	1	[ ]	Project meeting	2025-02-01 09:3
11	11	1	1	20,230,711	Design	7	[v]	Finalized design	2025-02-01 09:3
12	12	1	1	20,230,712	Design	7	[v]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
13	13	1	1	20,230,713	Design	7.5	[ ]	Prepared design for implementation	2025-02-01 09:3
14	14	1	1	20,230,714	Design	8	[v]	Drafted initial design concepts	2025-02-01 09:3
15	15	1	1	20,230,715	Design	7.5	[ ]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
16	16	1	1	20,230,716	Design	7	[v]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
17	17	1	1	20,230,717	Design	6	[v]	Prepared design for implementation	2025-02-01 09:3
18	18	1	1	20,230,718	Design	7	[v]	Drafted initial design concepts	2025-02-01 09:3
19	19	1	1	20,230,719	Design	0.5	[v]	Drafted initial design concepts	2025-02-01 09:3
20	20	1	1	20,230,720	Design	0	[v]	Made revisions to design based on feedback	2025-02-01 09:3
21	21	1	1	20,230,721	Design	0	[v]	Refined design elements	2025-02-01 09:3

```
select * from datamart.etl_metadata
```

etl\_metadata 1 ×

select \* from datamart.etl\_metadata

	id	folder_name	last_processed_timestamp	created_date	modified_date
1	1	Clickup	2025-01-31 21:08:29.000	2025-02-01 09:32:41.775	2025-02-01 09:32:41.775
2	2	Float	2025-01-31 21:08:37.000	2025-02-01 09:33:13.182	2025-02-01 09:33:13.182

## Conclusion

To get a high level of accuracy the following process where followed, having designed the model, had a high level of data quality change and improved the query by optimizing using index on certain columns.