



Stripe Business Case

Data Pipelines for AI





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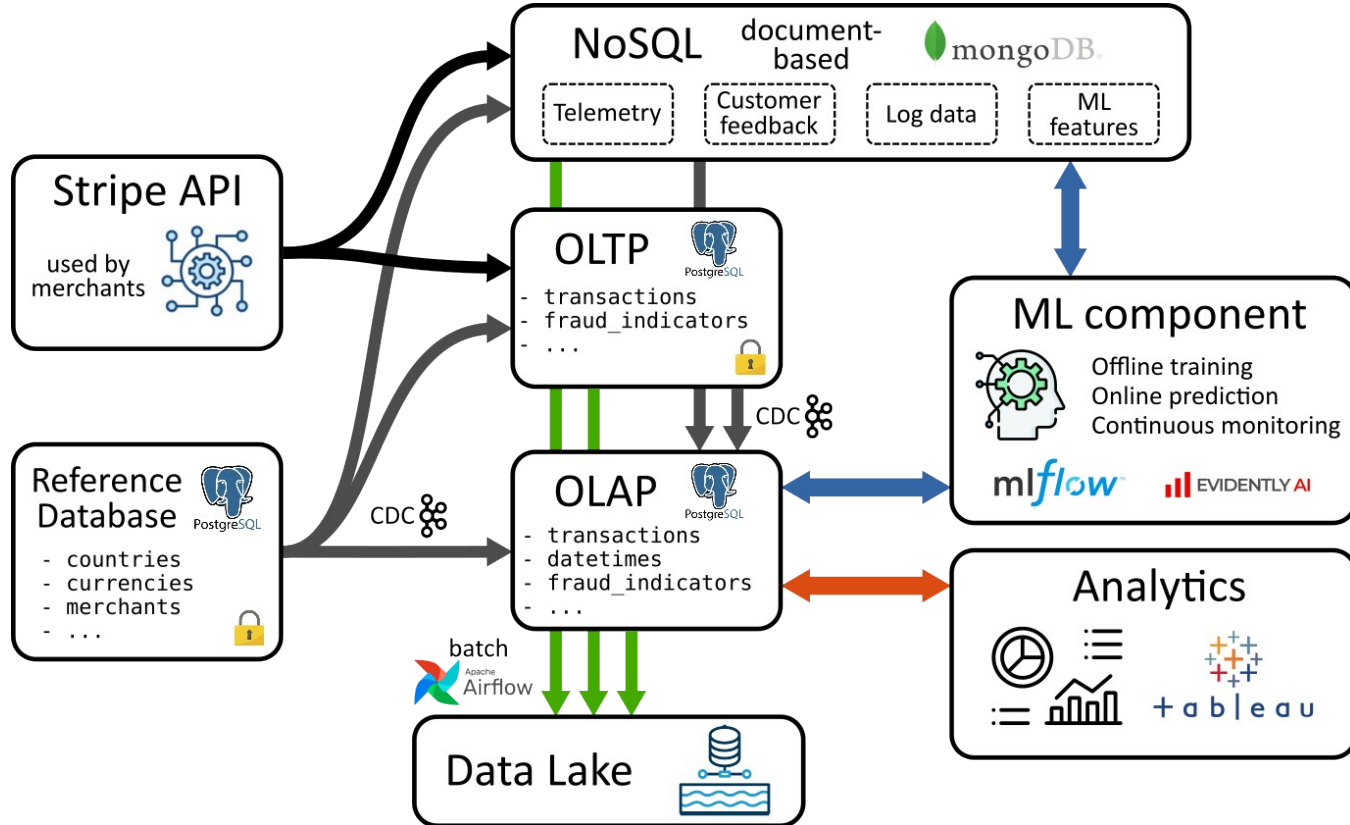
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Tasks

- OLTP data model
- OLAP data model
- NoSQL data model
- Data integration architecture
- Security and compliance plan
- Machine learning integration
- Example SQL and NoSQL queries



Pipeline architecture





Reference Database

- Slowly changing/static data
e.g., countries reference,
merchants info, change rates
- Source of truth for
OLTP/OLAP/NoSQL
- Updates propagated through
Change Data Captures (CDC)
- Holds sensitive information
 - field-level encryption
 - encrypted transfer (TLS 1.3)
 - strict access control and logging

merchants	
merchant_id 🔗	bigint
merchant_name	text
country_code	char(2)

customers	
customer_id 🔗	bigint
country_code	char(2)

currencies	
currency_code 🔗	char(3)
currency_name	text
usd_change_rate	float

payment_methods	
payment_method_id 🔗	integer
payment_method	text

payment_statuses	
payment_status_id 🔗	integer
payment_status	text

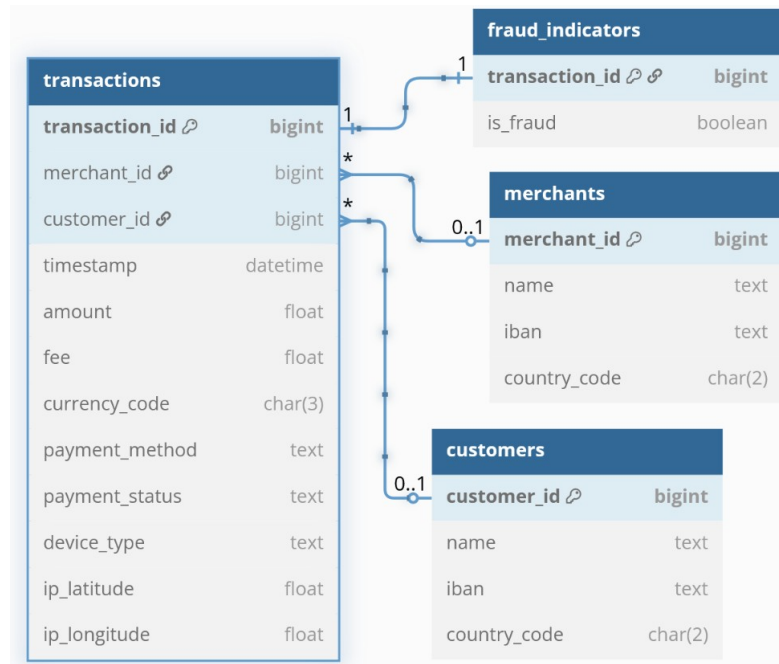
device_types	
device_type_id 🔗	integer
device_type	text

countries	
country_code 🔗	char(2)
currency_name	text



Online Transaction Processing (OLTP)

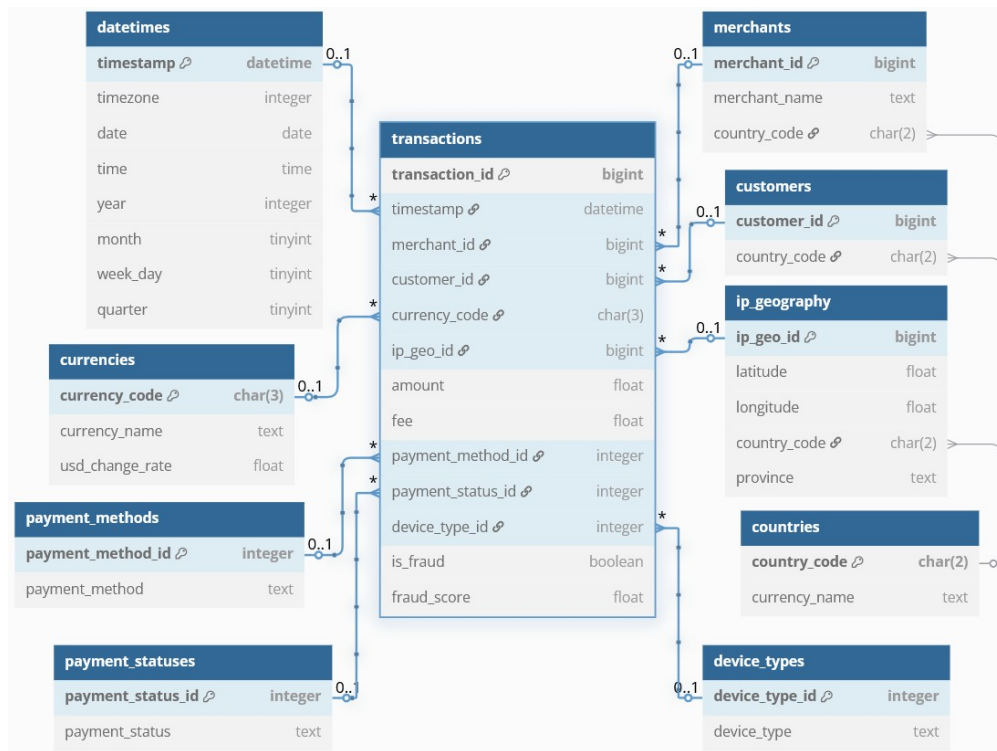
- Core transactional operations: payments processed through Stripe API
High integrity, performance and reliability
- Normalized schema (3NF)
Low redundancy, high consistency
- ACID properties
Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, Durability
- Propagate downstream through
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Online Analytical Processing (OLAP)

- Analytical queries and BI
High availability, fast queries
- Star schema architecture
transactions fact table
- Pre-aggregations, views
for performance optimization
- Connected to analytics and
machine learning components
- Less-sensitive information
 - Anonymized data
 - Access control and logging





NoSQL Database

Document-based for semi-structure and unstructured data

Telemetry, customer feedback, logs, ML features

Embedded documents

for tightly coupled data (e.g. device info)

Document referencing

to link large documents
(e.g. session data and customer feedback)

No sensitive information stored

- Anonymized data
- Access control and logging

logs			
event_id	pk	old	
timestamp		date-time	
level		str	
event		str	*
message		str	
device_info		doc	
os		str	
ipv4		ipv4	

customer_feedback			
feedback_id	pk	old	
customer_id		old	
channel		str	
timestamp		date-time	
message		str	

session_data			
session_id	pk	old	
customer_id		old	
start_time		date-time	
stop_time		date-time	
events		arr	
[0] session_event		doc	
type		str	
target		str	
timestamp		date-time	
device_info		doc	
os		str	
browser		str	
ipv4		ipv4	



Compliance

- Compliance with international regulations (PCI-DSS, GDPR, etc)
- Confidential information in Reference and OLTP databases
 - Encryption, strict access policy and logging
- No sensitive data in OLAP and NoSQL databases
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ML Integration

- Features extraction from OLAP and NoSQL databases
Batch orchestration with Apache Airflow
- Model management with MLflow
Traceability, version control
- Online inference through APIs
e.g. for fraud scoring, queried by OLAP
- Deployment within Kubernetes
High-availability infrastructure
- Monitoring with Evidently
Data drift, performance degradation



Thanks!

