Extract and Transform Data



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Agenda



Implement data flow

Connections and sources

Transforming data in a data flow

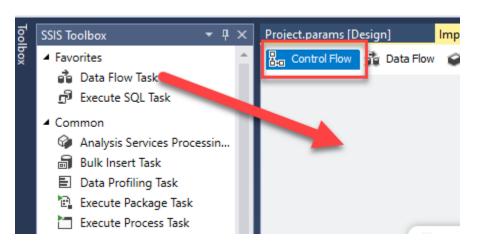
Checking for existing data

Using a data viewer



Implementing a Data Flow





Added to control flow

Favorites can be customized

Multiple data flows on control flow

Main source for transformations

- Source
- Derived columns
- Conditional Split
- Data type conversion
- Lookups



Source in a Data Flow

Required

No data, no data flow

Connection

Must have connection created

Various types

Flexibility of using SSIS





Navigate a data flow



Connections and Sources



Connections and Sources



Discover various sources – text files, tables, Excel, web data, etc.



Source components provide extraction



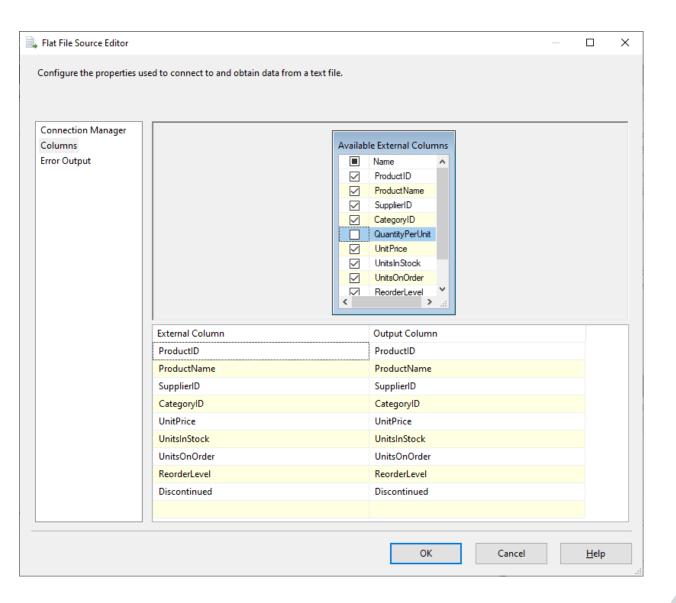
Control items in the data stream



Connection to extract

Source component

Columns selectable







Data Flow



Transforming Data in a Data Flow



Convert data types

Common transformation

Data Conversion component

Derived Column

Select statement

- Advanced properties
- Easier to re-create
- Not apparent to developer
- Needs documentation



Rules to split data

Uses logic

Function (Math, String, Date or Null)

Type casts

Operators

Order and Names

Conditional Split



Other Transformations

Component

Task

Merge

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Bring together 2 sorted data flows

Union

Combine data after split

Sort

Reorder data in flow

Multicast

Split flow of data

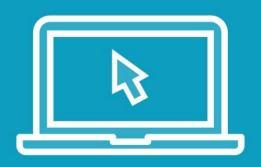
Copy Column

Makes a copy of a column (new name)

Pivot or Unpivot

Pivot or unpivot data structure





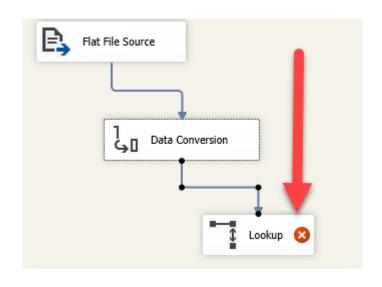
Convert data types
Conditional Split



Checking for Existing Data



Check for Existing Data



No duplicates

Connect to destination

Compare columns

Gotchas

- Data types
- Nulls
- Additional columns (rename)





Lookup

Handle problems



Using a Data Stream Viewer



Debugging Data Flow

Write Data

Very time consuming

Enable Data Viewer

Inline debugging with stop options



Data Flow option

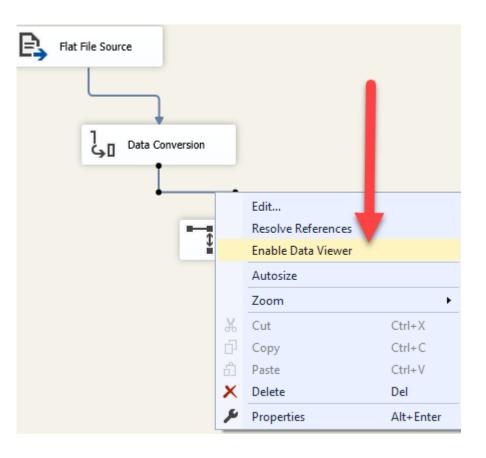
Not in Control Flow

Selectable columns

Pausing while executing

Stop processing

Compare data in columns







Debug data



Summary



Connection options

Detailed a data flow

Cool transformations

Previewing data in flow

Stepping up to next task

