Build ETL Data Pipelines with PythonOperator using Apache Airflow



Estimated time needed: 90 minutes.

Project Scenario

You are a data engineer at a data analytics consulting company. You have been assigned a project to de-congest the national highways by analyzing the road traffic data from different toll plazas. Each highway is operated by a different toll operator with a different IT setup that uses different file formats. Your job is to collect data available in different formats and consolidate it into a single file.

Objectives

In this assignment, you will develop an Apache Airflow DAG that will:

- Extract data from a csy file
- Extract data from a tsv file
- Extract data from a fixed-width file
- Transform the data
- Load the transformed data into the staging area

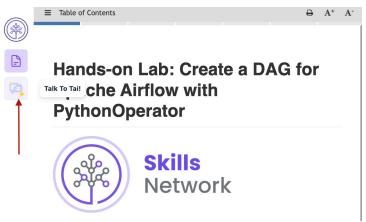
About Skills Network Cloud IDE

Skills Network Cloud IDE (based on Theia and Docker) provides an environment for hands-on labs for course and project-related labs. Theia is an open-source IDE (Integrated Development Environment) that can be run on a desktop or on the cloud. To complete this lab, you will be using the Cloud IDE based on Theia, running in a Docker container.

Important notice about this lab environment

Please be aware that sessions for this lab environment are not persistent. A new environment is created for you every time you connect to this lab. Any data you may have saved in an earlier session will get lost. To avoid losing your data, please plan to complete these labs in a single session. You can use the Tai AI assistant to complete this task.

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Exercise 1: Prepare the lab environment

1. Start Apache Airflow.

Open Apache Airflow in IDE

Please wait until Airflow starts up fully and is active before you proceed further. If there is an error starting Airflow, please restart it.

2. Open a terminal and create a directory structure for staging area as follows: /home/project/airflow/dags/python_etl/staging.

sudo mkdir -p /home/project/airflow/dags/python_etl/staging

3. Execute the following commands to avoid any permission issues in writing to the directories.

sudo chmod -R 777 /home/project/airflow/dags/python_etl

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Exercise 2: Add imports, define DAG arguments, and define DAG

1. Create a file named ETL_toll_data.py in /home/project directory and add the necessary imports and DAG arguments to it.

Parameter	Value
owner	<you any="" dummy="" may="" name="" use=""></you>
start_date	today
email	<you any="" dummy="" email="" may="" use=""></you>
retries	1
retry_delay	5 minutes

2. Create a DAG as per the following details.

Parameter	Value
DAG id	ETL_toll_data
Schedule	Daily once
default_args	as you have defined in the previous step
description	Apache Airflow Final Assignment

Exercise 3: Create Python functions

1. Create a Python function named download_dataset to download the data set from the source to the destination. You will call this function from the task.

Source: https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DB0250EN-SkillsNetwork/labs/Final%20Assignment/tolldata.tgz

Destination: /home/project/airflow/dags/python_etl/staging

- 2. Create a Python function named untar_dataset to untar the downloaded data set.
- 3. Create a function named extract_data_from_csv to extract the fields Rowid, Timestamp, Anonymized Vehicle number, and Vehicle type from the vehicle-data.csv file and save them into a file named csv_data.csv.
- 4. Create a function named extract_data_from_tsv to extract the fields Number of axles, Tollplaza id, and Tollplaza code from the tollplaza-data.tsv file and save it into a file named tsv_data.csv.

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5. Create a function named extract_data_from_fixed_widthto extract the fields Type of Payment code and Vehicle Code from the fixed width file payment-data.txt and save it into a file named fixed width data.csv.

- 6. Create a function named consolidate_data to create a single csv file named extracted_data.csv by combining data from the following files:
 - o csv_data.csv
 - o tsv_data.csv
 - o fixed_width_data.csv

The final csv file should use the fields in the order given below:

Rowid, Timestamp, Anonymized Vehicle number, Vehicle type, Number of axles, Tollplaza id, Tollplaza code, Type of Payment code, and Vehicle Code

7. Create a function named transform_data to transform the vehicle_type field in extracted_data.csv into capital letters and save it into a file named transformed_data.csv in the staging directory.

Exercise 4: Create a tasks using PythonOperators and define pipeline

- 1. Create 7 tasks using Python operators that does the following using the Python functions created in Task 2.
 - 1. download dataset
 - 2. untar dataset
 - 3. extract data from csv
 - 4. extract data from tsv
 - 5. extract data from fixed width
 - 6. consolidate data
 - 7. transform data
- 2. Define the task pipeline based on the details given below:

Task	Functionality
First task	download_data
Second task	unzip_data
Third task	extract_data_from_csv
Fourth task	extract_data_from_tsv
Fifth task	extract_data_from_fixed_width
Sixth task	consolidate_data
Seventh task	transform_data

Exercise 5: Save, submit, and run DAG

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- 1. Save the DAG you defined.
- 2. Submit the DAG by copying it into \$AIRFLOW_HOME/dags directory.
- ▶ Click here if your DAG does not get submitted properly.
 - 3. Use CLI or Web UI to unpause the task.
 - 4. Observe the outcome of the tasks in DAG on the Airflow console.

Solution

▶ Click here for the solution

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