

Getting Data



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Getting Data

Databases

On-premises databases
import or direct
connections

Files

Files stored on-premises
or
in OneDrive

Web and Other Sources

URL sources, OData
feeds, and more

Azure

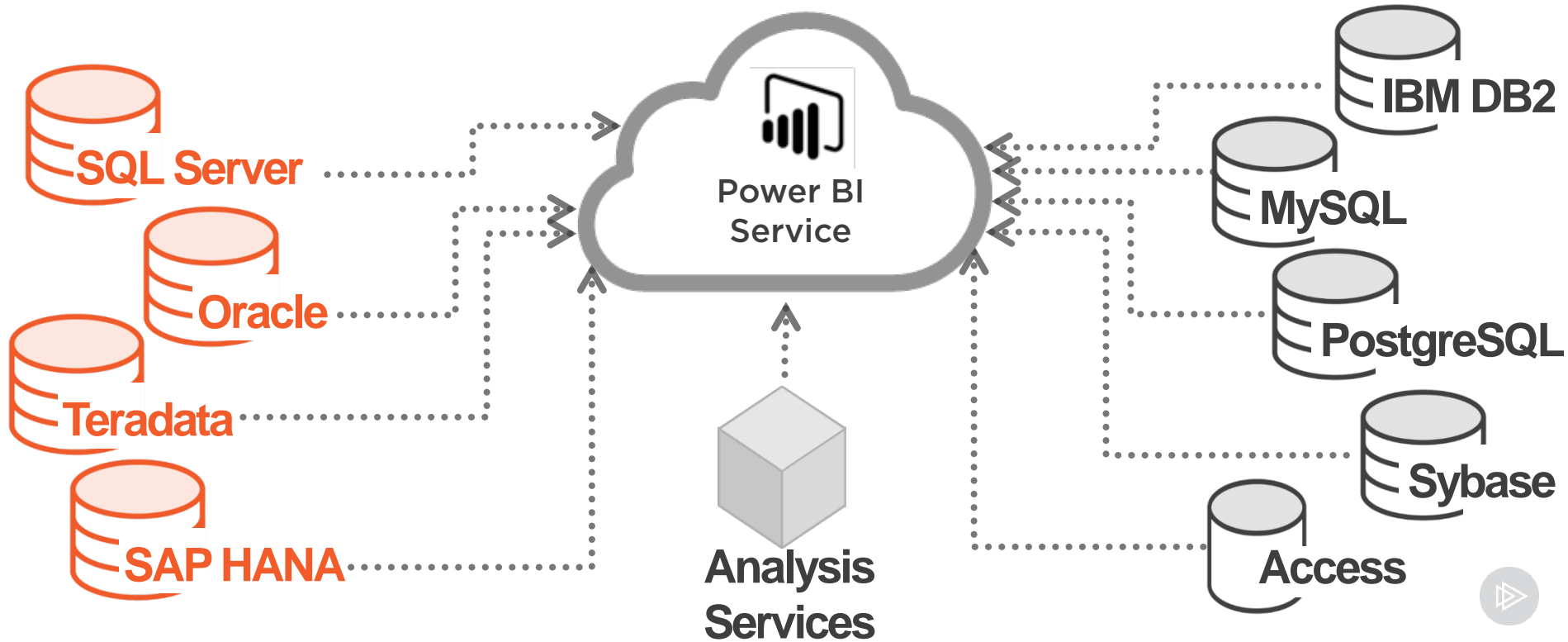
Cloud databases,
storage,
and services

Online Services

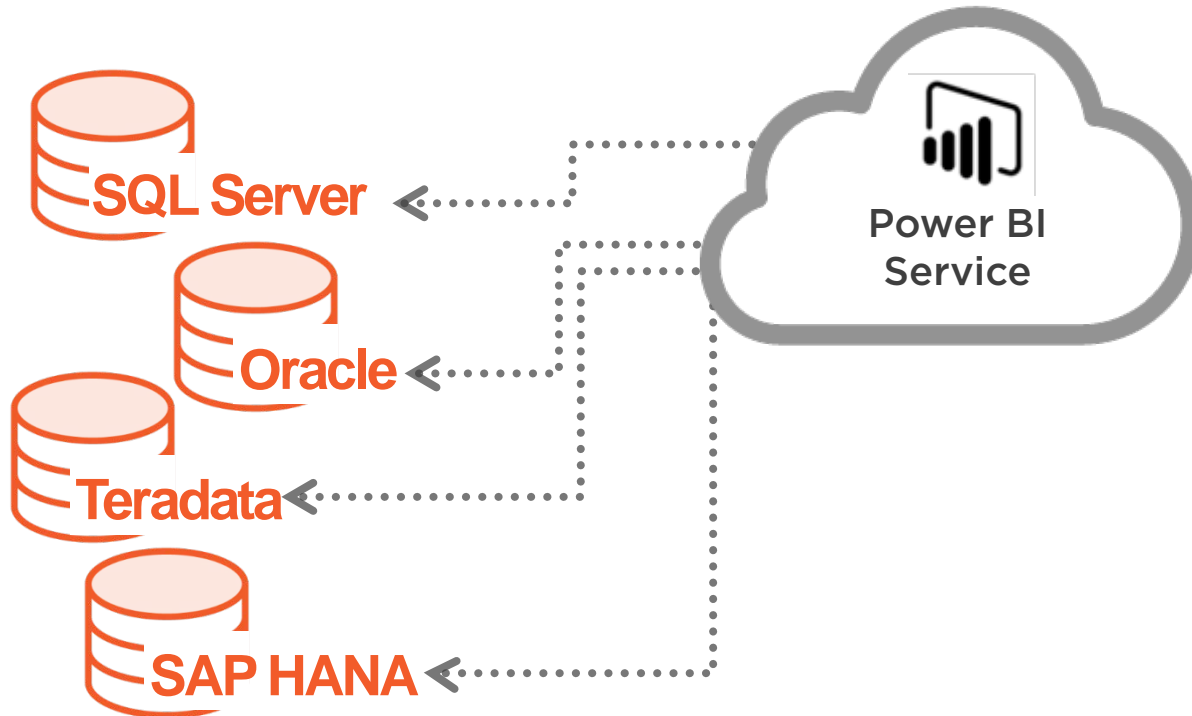
Software as a Service
sources



Databases: Import



Databases: DirectQuery



**Enterprise Gateway
required**

**All model tables must
come from same
database**

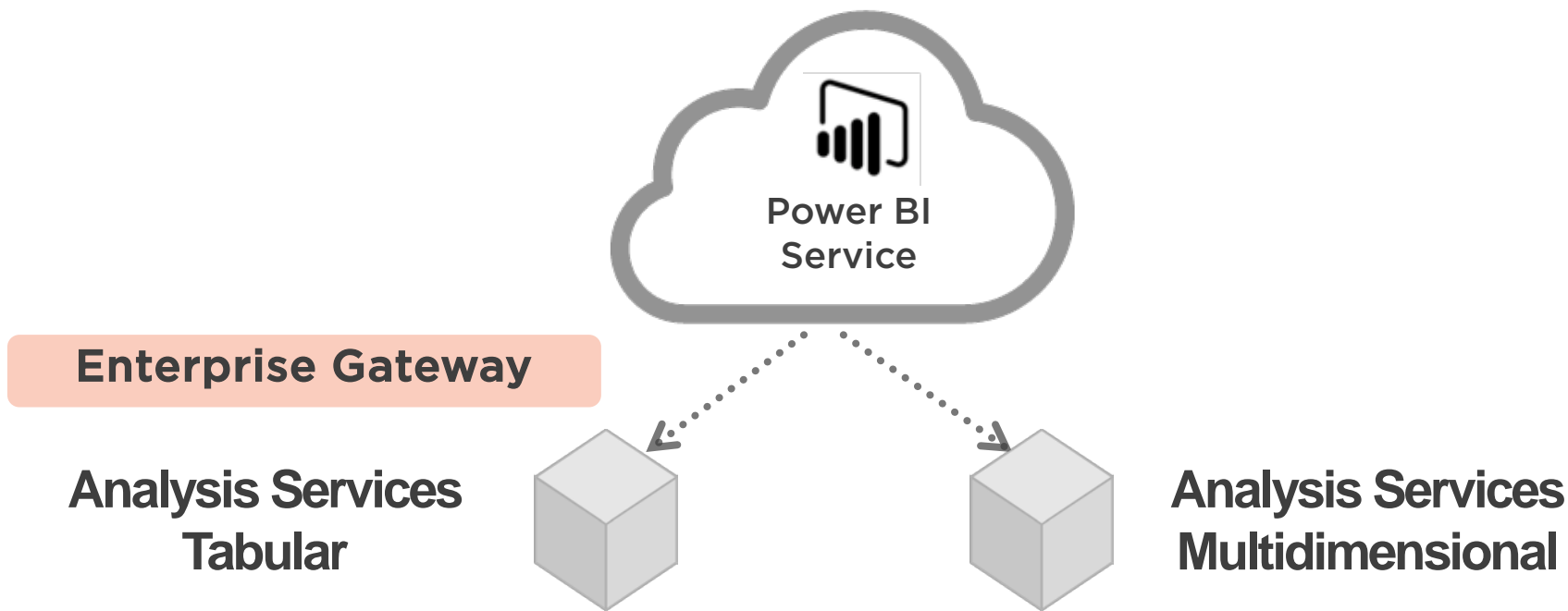
**No calculated columns
or tables in the model**

No data type changes

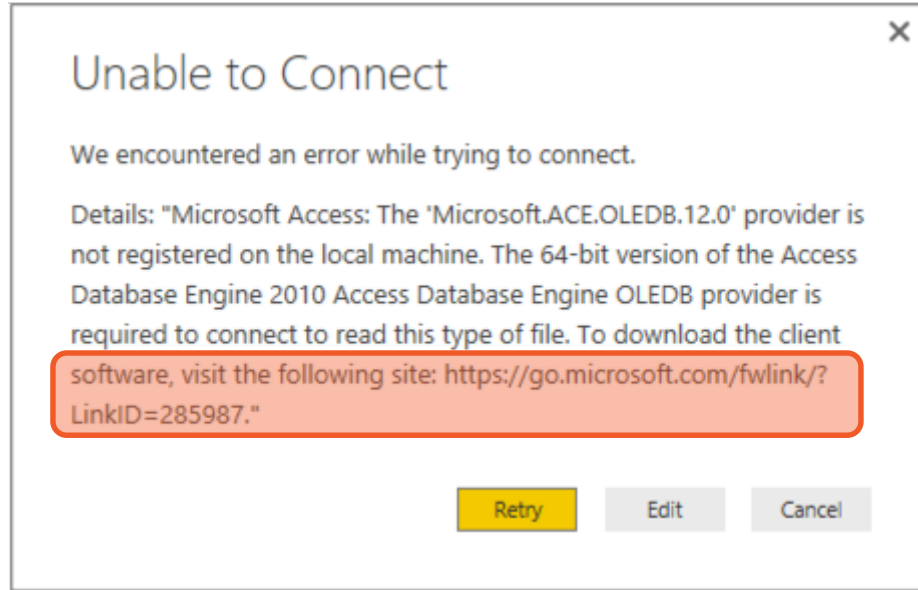
**Good for large
datasets or real-time
data access**



Databases: Analysis Services Connect Live



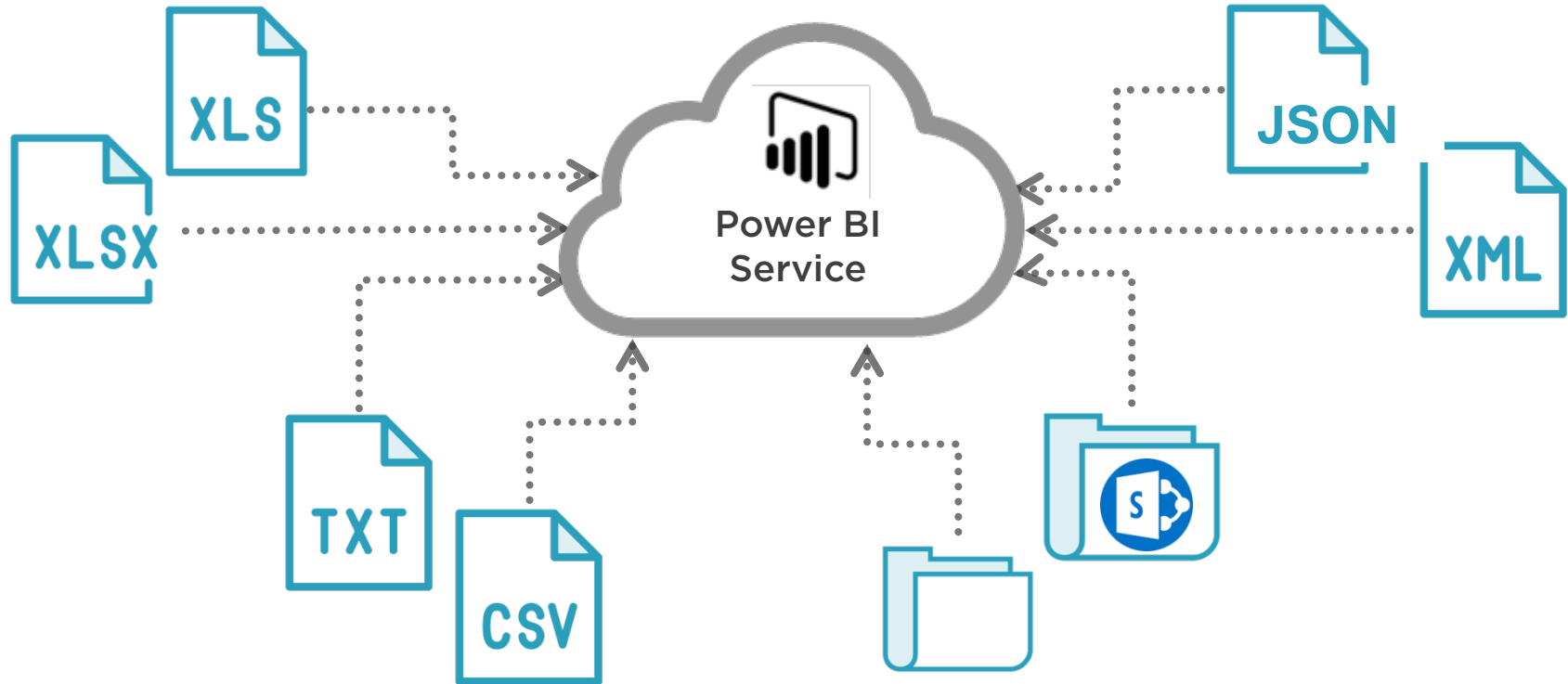
Access and Excel Connection Errors



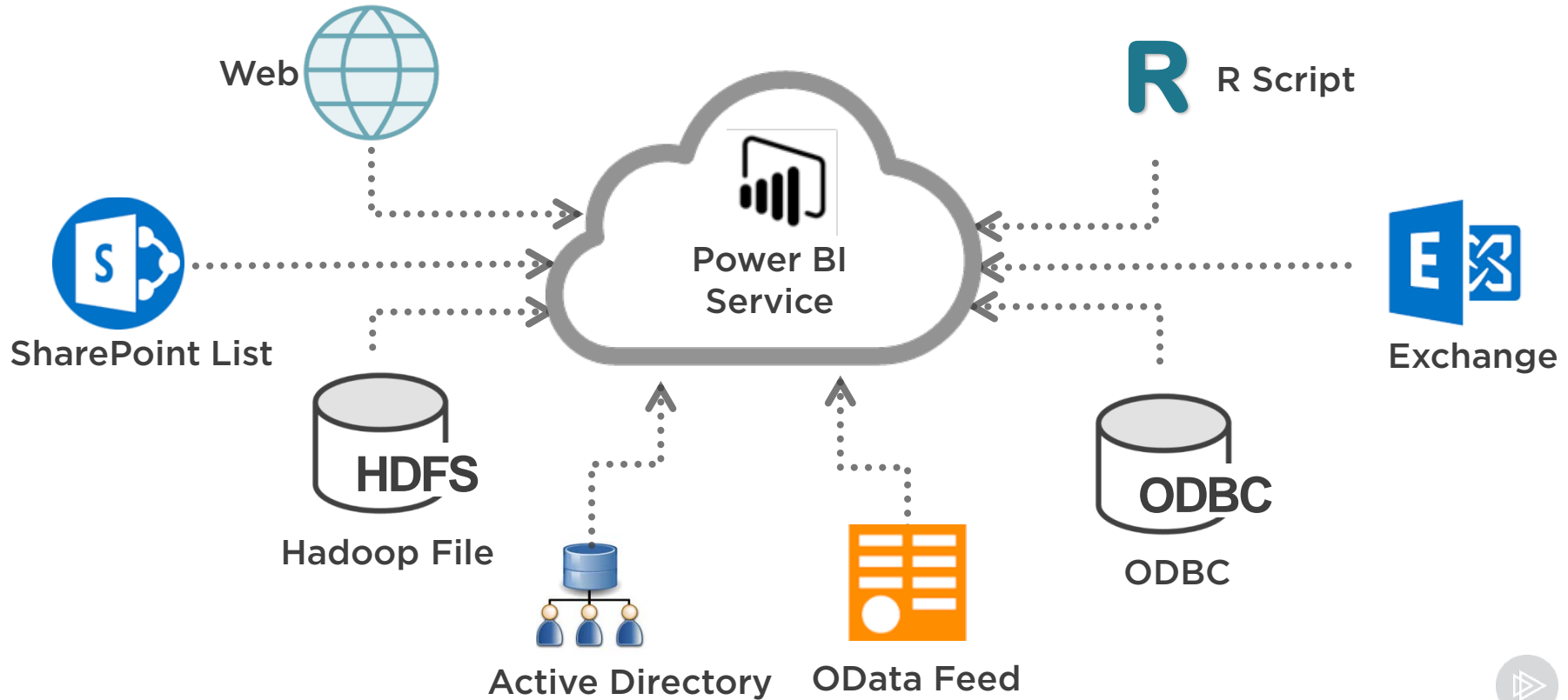
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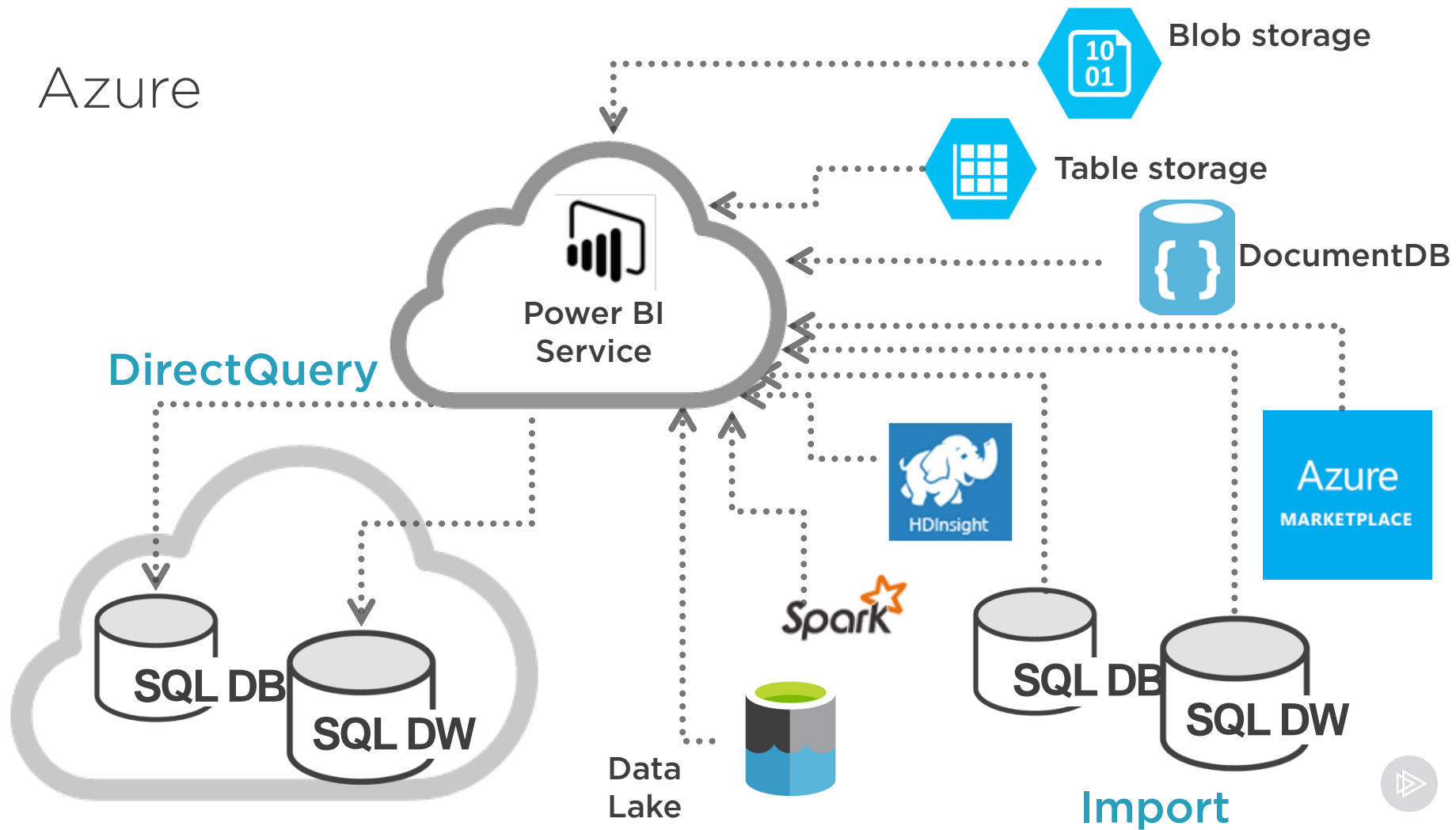
Files



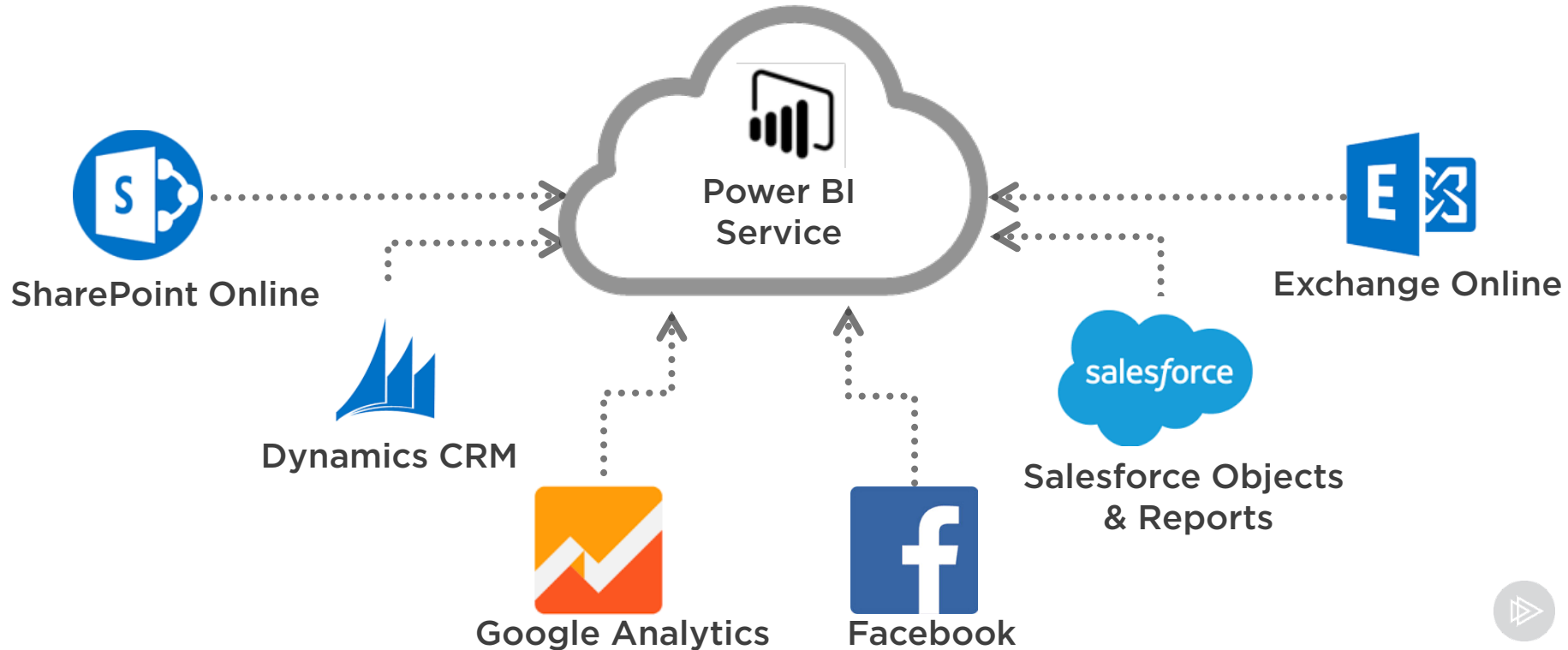
Web and Other Sources



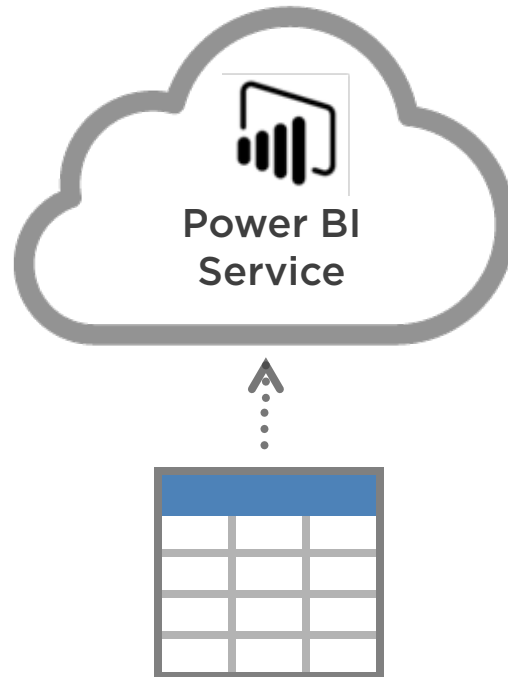
Azure



Online Services



Manual Entry



Summary



Databases

Files

Web URL



Additional Resources



Azure and Power BI

- <https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/documentation/powerbi-azure-and-power-bi/>

Connect to online sources

- <https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/documentation/powerbi-content-packs-services/>

Microsoft Access Database Engine Download

- <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=13255>



Additional Resources



Power BI Data Source Prerequisites

- <https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/documentation/powerbi-desktop-data-source-prerequisites/>

Using DirectQuery in Power BI Desktop

- <https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/documentation/powerbi-desktop-use-directquery/>



Additional Resources



American Community Survey documentation

- https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/summary_file/2014/documentation/tech_docs/

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