# Microsoft Fabric Modernization Pathways in Action

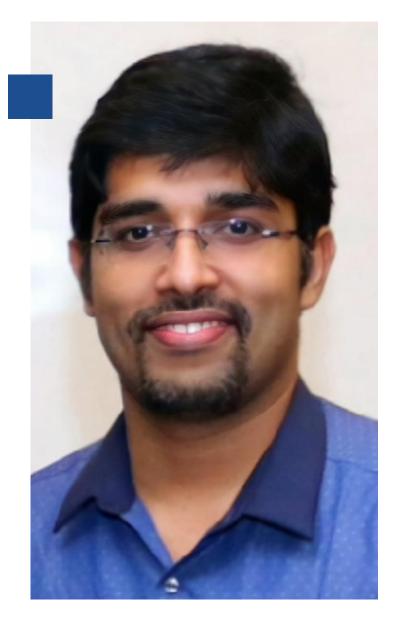






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# Why Datavail & Microsoft Azure?

#### **Solutions Partner**

- ✓ Data & AI
- Digital & App Innovation
- ✓ Infrastructure

#### **Microsoft Preferred Partner**

- ✓ Microsoft Fabric Featured Partner

#### **Microsoft Specializations**

- Migrate Enterprise Apps to Microsoft Azure
- Analytics on Azure
- ✓ Infra and Database Migration to Azure (2025)
- ✓ Data Warehouse Migration (2025)
- Ø DevOps with GitHub on Azure (Future)

#### **Azure Marketplace Offerings**

- Oracle on Azure Assessment
- Azure Data Lake Roadmap & Implementation
- **⊗** SQL Server Migrations to Azure
- **⊘** Oracle to Azure Migration
- MySQL Assessment & Implementation
- *⊗* Guidewire CDA Connector for Azure

#### **Managed Partner (Growth)**

- Funding Programs ECIF and AMM & Azure Innovate Eligible

# **We've Done this Before...**

1000+

Consultants focused on Cloud deployments and managed services

**17**+

Years of Data Platform & AppDev Experience

**10**+

Years Cloud Experience

500+

Customers with average lifespan of 7+ years

**550**+

Microsoft consultant certifications











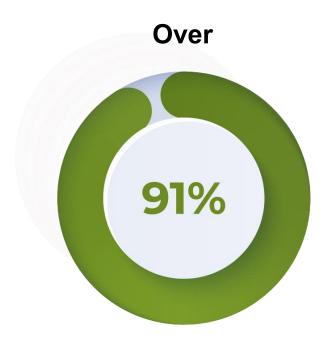
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# What are Organizations Striving for Today?

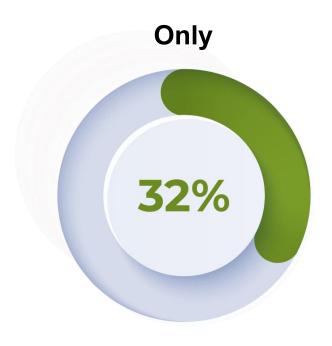
- **Solution** Becoming Data Driven
- **⊘** Leveraging Data as a Strategic Asset

# But achieving these benefits comes with challenges





of leaders report their organizations have increased investment in data and analytics



of organizations report being able to realize tangible value from data and analytics

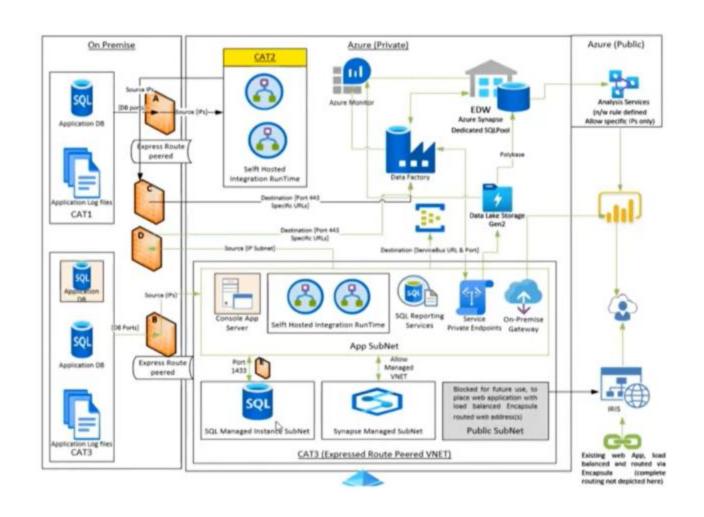
Source: Accenture, Closing the Data Value Gap

Source: Gartner, Modernize Data and Analytics Capabilities

# **Analytics is complex and fragmented**

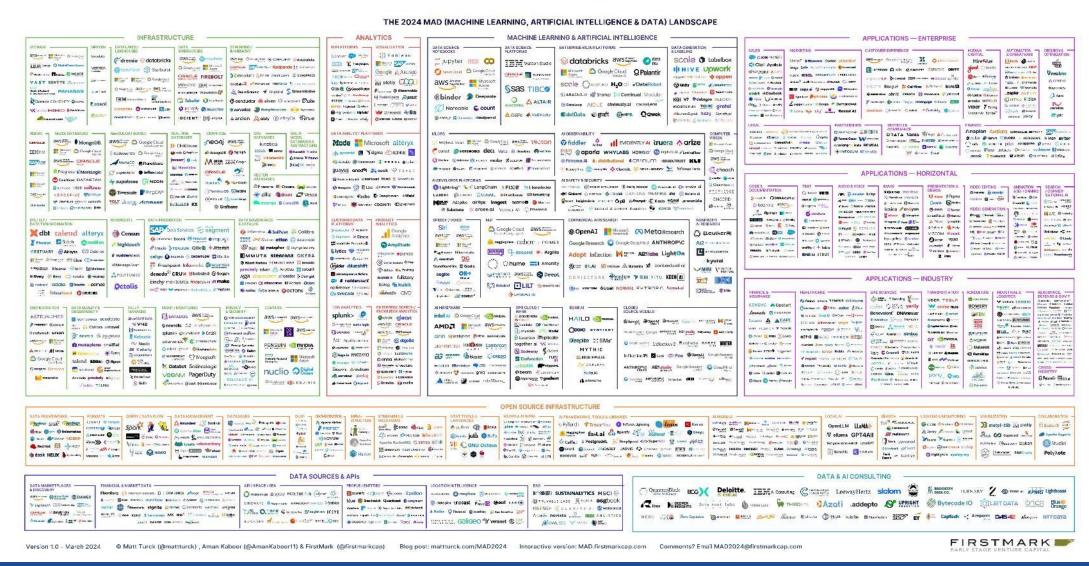


- Every project has many subsystems
- Every Subsystem need a different class of Product
- Product often comes from multiple vendors
- ✓ Integration is complex, fragile and expensive



# There is massive fragmentation of the modern tech stack







# What we're hearing from our customers





How do I unify all disparate data sources cost-effectively?



How do I minimize security breaches and risks?



How do I improve analytical agility for my organization?



How do I ensure business users use the insights to get value from my investments?

# **Data Management Maturity Level**



As a starting point, we leverage an enterprise Figure 1. Bl and Analytics Maturity Model Data Driven analytics maturity model Level 1: Level 2: Level 3: Level 4: Level 5: Unaware Opportunistic Standards Enterprise Transformative to define where your Businessorganization is today and strategy-Deploy an driven enterprise Enterprise the objectives that you performance metrics Business culture framework executive becomes BI want to achieve Inconsistent Sophisticated champion data and program stovepiped Technology management Spreadsheet Outside-in systems standards start and perspective to emerge information Limited anarchy CAO role users Proactively established research new One-off Run the Drivina methods. report enterprise technologies requests and industry **Business** Projects cross transformation CFO or COO Document business hidden cost becomes processes sponsor of silos **BICC** started Appoint governance sponsor BI = Business intelligence BICC = BI competency center Source: Gartner (September 2015)

# Modernizing your data & analytics platform is critical for resilient business transformation



Variety of siloed solutions and data		Integrated, SaaS-based suite that can integrate any data source
Data with security risks	-	Industry-leading, built-in security, compliance, and governance
Demand for data stewards		Easy-to-use analytics and center of enablement for increased business agility
Costly integration and ongoing maintenance of legacy systems		Cost-transparent suite with reduced management overhead

# **Introducing Microsoft Fabric**



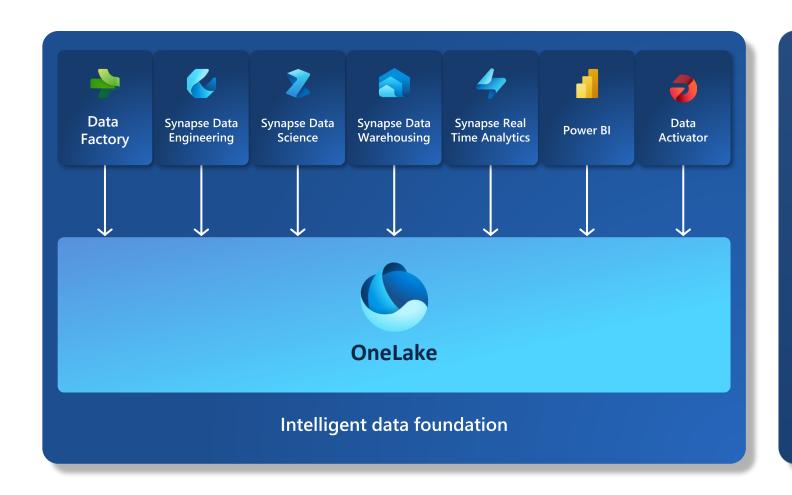
Bring all these analytics services together in a single end-to-end analytics platform that can go from the data lake to the business user



## **OneLake for All Data**



"The OneDrive for Data"



A single SaaS lake for the whole organization

Provisioned automatically with the tenant

All workloads automatically store their data in the OneLake workspace folders

All the data is organized in an intuitive hierarchical namespace

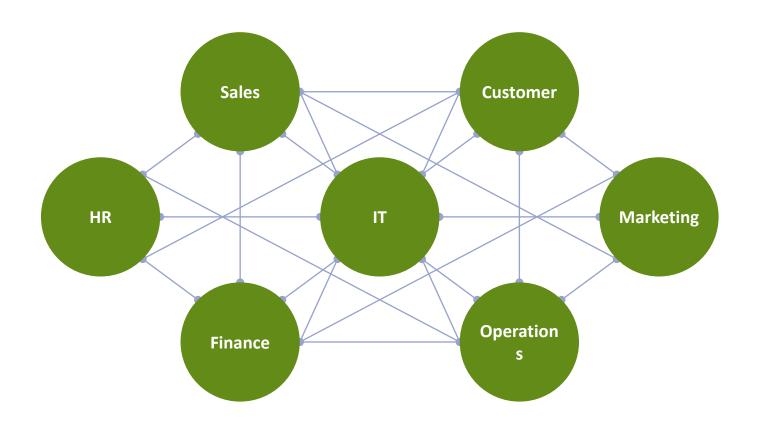
The data in OneLake is automatically indexed for discovery, MIP labels, lineage, PII scans, sharing, governance and compliance

## **About OneLake**



#### OneLake for all domains

A true **hub & Spoke** data mesh across organizational data domains.



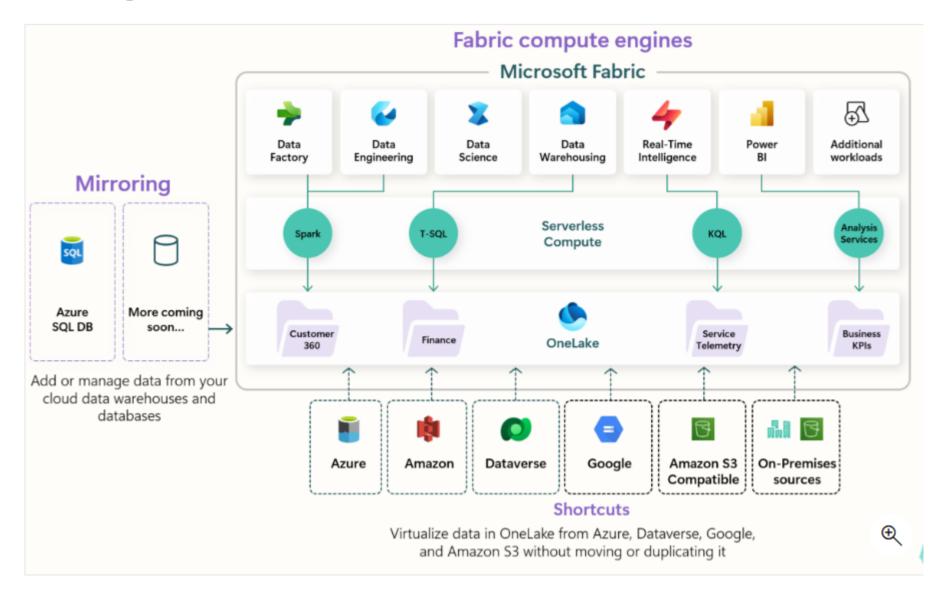
Workspaces and artifacts for different data domains, contribute to building the same Data Lake.

Without data movement, data from different domains can be analyzed, blended and transformed together Data is secured and governed in one place while remaining easily discoverable and accessible to all who should have access across the organization. Data can be certified by domain experts to enabling trust for data which is discovered

# **Fabric Compute Engines**



All Microsoft Fabric compute experiences are **preconfigured** to use **OneLake** as their default storage.



# The simplicity of the Microsoft Fabric business model



Rather than provisioning and managing separate compute for each workload, with Microsoft Fabric, your bill is determined by two variables: The amount of compute you provision and the amount of storage you use.

### Compute

- ✓ A shared pool of capacity that powers all capabilities in Microsoft Fabric, from data modeling and data warehousing to business intelligence.
- Pay-as-you-go (per sec billing with one minute minimum).

## **Storage**

- A single place to store all data.
- ✓ Pay-as-you-go (\$ per GB / month).

# What Does Fabric Mean for My Data & AI Teams?

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# Fabric addresses the top pain points of every analytics role





#### **Data Engineers**

**Complexity.** Implementing ETL can require considerable coding, especially when loading only modified rows.

**Cost.** Implementing ETL can require an exorbitant cost of purchasing additional tools and licenses.

**Data latency.** Implementing ETL adds a time delay for running the analytics and prevents fresh insights.



#### **Data Scientists**

Siloed development. Isolated collaboration between Data and ML teams leads to low quality data pipelines and unproven ML ROI. Difficulty in stream-lining decision-making processes.

Complex operationalization. ML PoC purgatory. High cost of management, scale, reliability, RAI. Reduced trust disconnected from data source.



#### **Data Analysts**

**Bad data.** Lack of access to the right data leads to bad insights.

Limited capacity and speed.
Struggle to keep up with the number of reports needed to be created and maintained, slowed by dependencies on other data teams.

**Embedding.** Finding ways to integrate and share reports where stakeholders work.



#### **Business users**

**Finding insights.** Digging into insights requires accessing reports from multiple applications and systems.

**Time waste.** Identifying critical and action-orientated insights from BI reports is time intensive.



**Data Stewards** 

Data sprawl. Lack of visibility and strong governance tools leads to sprawling data, excessive replication of data, and security risks.

# **Empower users with role-specific workloads** on a single platform





#### **Data Engineers**

Data Engineers can easily transform large volumes of data from various sources and make it available for analysis.



Supporting experiences



Data

Factory

Warehouse Engineering





Real-time analytics



#### **Data Scientists**

Data scientists can democratize AI with complete end-to-end ML workflows, serving through their data warehouse with one-click flows and Power BI visuals.

Supporting experiences







Azure ML



#### **Data Analysts**

Analysts can explore data visually and bring insights to life with stunning, easy-to-use reports and Al-enhanced visuals.





Data Warehouse analytics



Serve

insights via

embedding

Power BI



#### **Business users**

Data citizens can explore Power BI reports in the apps they already use like Microsoft 365 to ensure every decision and action taken is data-driven.

Supporting experiences





Power B

Microsoft 365

Serve data via warehouse or lakehouse



#### **Data Stewards**

Data stewards can remain in complete control of their data while enabling teams across the organization to use the most accurate and trusted data

Understanding Your Upgrade Pathways to Microsoft Fabric Key Considerations

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# **Key Upgrade Concept: Shortcuts**



No data movements or duplication: virtualize data across clouds, domains and accounts

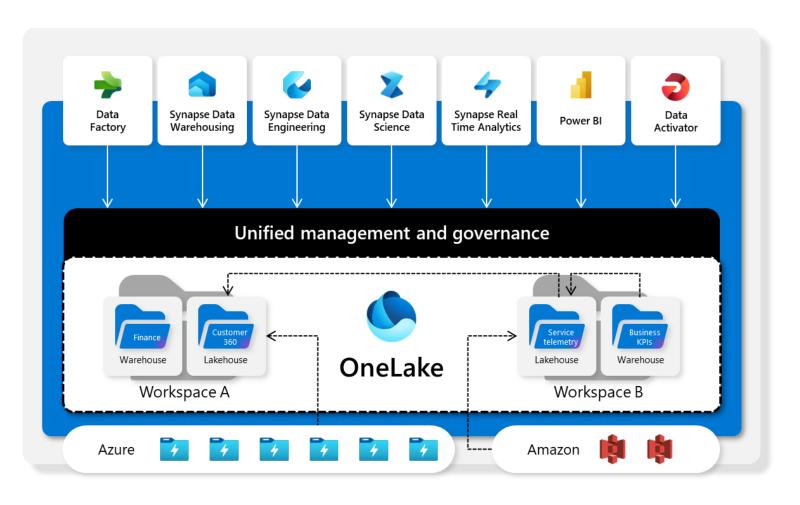
A Shortcut creates a live connection between OneLake and existing target data sources.

Create a Shortcut to virtualize existing file data in any format or tabular data in open delta format.

Create a Shortcut within Fabric to consolidate data across items or workspaces without changing the ownership of the data. Data can be reused multiple times without data duplication.

Existing ADLS G2 storage accounts and Amazon S3 buckets can be managed externally to Fabric and Microsoft while still being virtualized into OneLake with Shortcuts.

All data is mapped to a unified namespace and can be accessed using the same APIs including the ADLS G2 DFS APIs.



# Shortcuts produces one data copy for all computes



Real separation of compute and storage

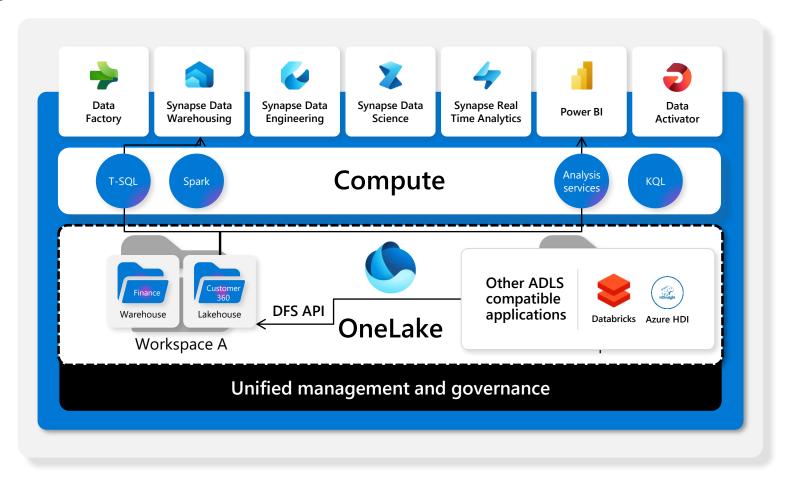
Compute powers the applications and experiences in Fabric. The compute is separate from the storage.

Multiple compute engines are available, and all engines can access the same data without needing to import or export it. You can choose the right engine for the right job.

Non-Fabric engines can also read/write to the same copy of data using the ADLS APIs or added through shortcuts.

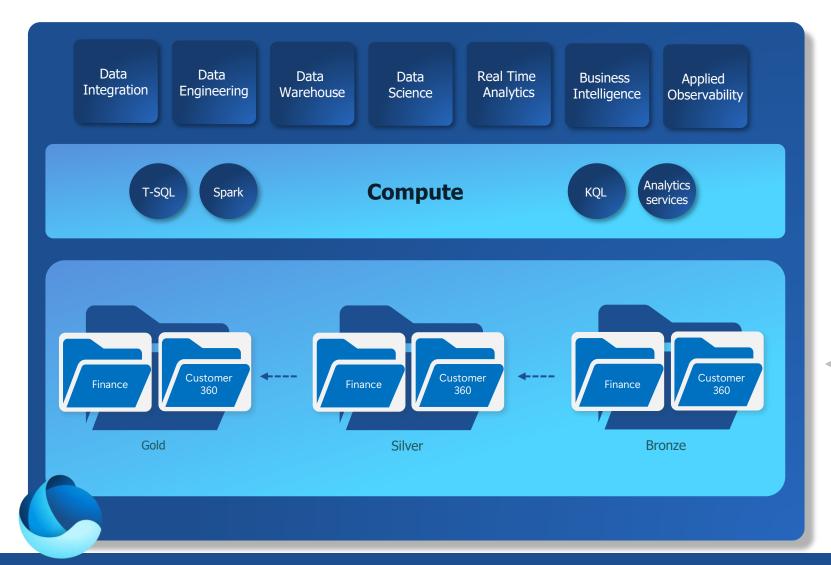
A data engineer can load data using a Databricks Notebook.

A data analyst can query the data using T-SQL. A business user can view the same data in a Power BI report using Direct Lake.



# Medallion architecture built natively in OneLake

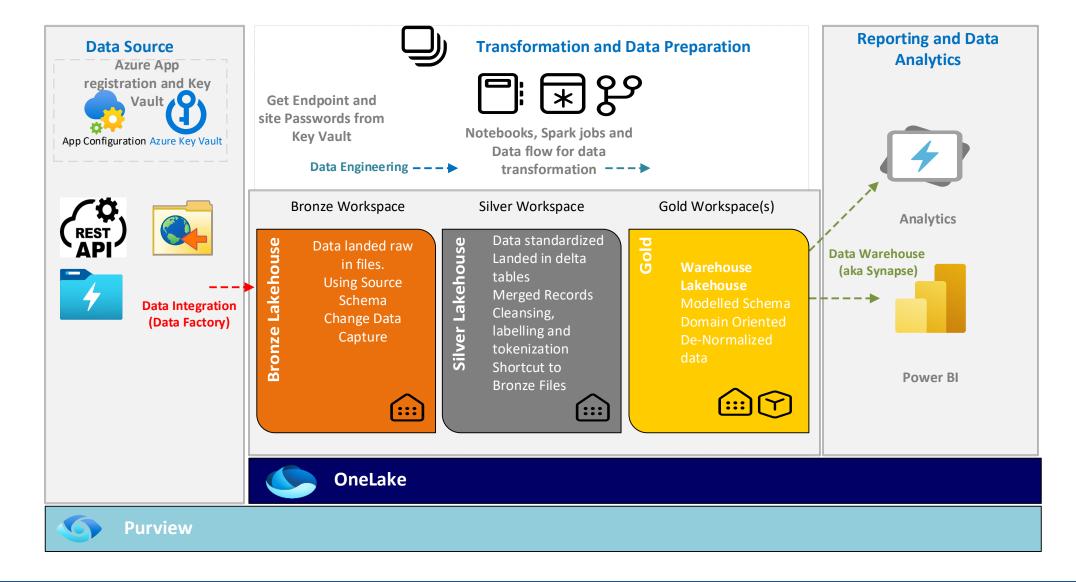






## **Microsoft Fabric Use Case**





## **Medallion Architecture**



# Bronze Workspace Enterprise

- One Landing Area for Enterprise
- Lkhs\_Bronze\_Dev
- Folder structure arranged by Sensitivity and Source
- Can now apply security at folder level
- Data stored in its original form
- Metadata is added for efficiency

# **Silver Workspace**Enterprise

- Basic Transformation / Quality issues
- Data Validation / Deduplication
- Can secure or give read access at Lakehouse level.
- Reducing overall number of workspaces by combining in one
- Adding context to enrich the data

# **Gold Workspace**Business Unit

- Lakehouse bridge for shortcuts as well as Lakehouse build area
- Data warehouse
  - Dimensional Model
  - Could use direct from Silver
  - Materialize necessary dimension and facts
- Aggregate / Business ready data

Shortcut/DF/Data Flow/Notebooks

Shortcut

Shortcut

Shortcut

Shortcut

Warehouse

# Your Analytics upgrade path to Microsoft Fabric



Applicable for existing customers

\*Solution applicable for investments in Synapse Spark.

	Investment	Pattern	Solution			
<b>**</b>	#1 Azure Databricks only	Using Azure Databricks for entire implementation.*	Continue relying on Azure Databricks Lakehouse. Enable Microsoft Fabric with ADLS G2 Shortcuts to use the best of both worlds between ADB + Fabric.*  Replatform notebooks and pipelines to Lakehouse in Fabric (OneLake, Spark, Notebooks, Delta)			
SQL	#2 Azure Databricks and Synapse	<ol> <li>Using Azure Databricks and Spark and data engineering.</li> <li>Synapse SQL Dedicated Pools for data warehouse and serving</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>ADLS G2 Shortcuts for data lake. Data Factory to move data into OneLake-based lakehouses or Fabric tables.</li> <li>Large datasets: consider incremental copy or using ADLS → OneLake shortcuts to avoid full copy during migration.</li> <li>Delta/Transactional data: preserve change data capture (CDC) or use incremental load patterns to avoid long outages.</li> </ol>			
4	#3 Power Bl	Using Power BI Dataflow for data preparation or other legacy reporting services.	<ol> <li>Plan Fabric Capacity</li> <li>Enable Fabric in Tenant</li> <li>Optionally convert Power BI Dataflows to Data Factory Dataflows.</li> <li>Validate and Optimize</li> </ol>			

# **Current Platform: Data Warehouse Appliances**



#### Investment

Using a legacy data warehouse appliance, like Teradata, Oracle, Netezza, Greenplum, and others.

#### **Current Upgrade Pathway**



Datavail is here to help you explore Microsoft Fabric for new use cases and new workloads.

Where applicable, Datavail can help you modernize your data estate towards a Lakehouse pattern. Do a full upgrade to a Lakehouse today with Fabric. Use Fabric Shortcuts to a Delta Lakehouse in ADLS G2 to use the best engines seamlessly to Fabric.

#### **Microsoft Fabric Advantages**



#### **Complete analytics platform**

✓ Use a single product with a unified experience and architecture that provides role-specific capabilities for all data professionals.



#### Lake centric and open

✓ Connect the clouds and services you need to an open, scalable analytics solution, all standardized on Delta Parquet format.



#### **Empower every business user**

✓ Equip everyone with access to powerful, self-serve analytics to innovate faster, enabling real-time insights that unlock impact.



#### **Al-powered experiences**

✓ Seamlessly augment analytics systems with generative AI to reduce data estate fragmentation.

# **Current Platform: Azure Data Factory**



#### **Investment**

Using ADF for integration to Azure or other services.

#### **Current Upgrade Pathway**



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Fabric data pipelines will cover the majority of ADF activity capabilities. Notably, a few ADF activities will not be available in data pipelines (U-SQL (deprecated), AML v1, SSIS, and Mapping Data flows).

- MS actively working on enabling native SSIS package execution.
- For Mapping Data flows (MDF), the following will be available:
  - For smaller ADF usage, guidance docs and videos on how to upgrade your Mapping Data Flow (MDF) to Dataflow Gen2.
  - For large ADF usage, customers will be able to mount ADF pipelines in Fabric or convert their MDF to run as a Spark Job
  - In future, customers can mount their ADF, enabling them to run their ADF pipelines as it is in Fabric.
- There is the capability to mount data pipelines in a Synapse workspace.

#### **Microsoft Fabric Advantages**

# Govern data across your organization

- ✓ CI/CD for Power BI.
- ✓ Foundational cataloging with Purview included.
- Security model provides source-toserve data security at artifact level.

#### **Unify your data estate**

- ✓ Legacy Microsoft (SSIS, SSRS, SSAS, Power BI Report Server, AAS, Azure Time Series Insights) stack transitions easily to Fabric.
- ✓ Connect other storage accounts or clouds to OneLake.

#### Manage powerful AI models

- ✓ Build your own LLMs with Azure Open AI Service integration.
- ✓ Explore AI through BI use cases with PyTorch, sci-kit learn, and TensorFlow support.
- ✓ Adds Data Science capabilities not currently available in Synapse.

# Empower everyone in your business

- ✓ ROI in cost savings and performance increases.
- ✓ Break data silos: Multiple personas access the same copy of data – single source of truth.



Use case 1: A very small law firm with ten users who create and use the Power BI content

Size of Business		Hours	The second secon	(Per Month)	Peak Hours (Per Month)	The second secon			Total Estimation (PPU)
XXS	10	8	22	176	0	Low	50	\$164.51	\$264.51

- Use Case -1: A very small Law Firm with 10 users who create and use the Power BI content
  - Size of the Business: Extra Extra Small
  - · Number of Users use Power BI: 10
  - · Operational hours: 8 Hours per Day
  - · Operational Days: 22 Days per Month
  - · Workload: Low workloads
  - · Data Size: 50 GB
- Cost Estimation: Based on the above attributes, it's a very small team with Low workloads, so the best possible option for this Law Firm is to acquire individual user licenses with basic Fabric Capacity to maintain the low workloads
  - Power BI Pro License (\$10) \* Number of Users (10) => \$10 \* 10 => \$100.00
  - F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (176) => \$0.36 \* 176 => \$63.36
  - Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (50) =? \$0.023 \* 50 => \$1.15
  - Total Cost Estimation => \$164.51

To avail Premium features, they need Premium Per User (PPU) License

- Premium Per User(PPU) License (\$20) \* Number of Users (10) => \$20 \* 10 => \$200.00
- F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (176) => \$0.36 \* 176 => \$63.36
- Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (50) =? \$0.023 \* 50 => \$1.15
- Total Cost Estimation => \$264.51



Use case 2: A medium team of sales with one hundred users who create and use the Power BI content

Size of Business		Hours		(Per Month)	Peak Hours (Per Month)				Total Estimation (PPU)
M	100	12	22	264	50	Medium	500	\$1106.54	\$2106.54

- Use Case -2: A Sales Team with 100 users who create and use the Power BI content
  - · Size of the Business: Medium
  - Number of Users use Power BI: 100
  - · Operational hours: 12 Hours per Day
  - · Operational Days: 22 Days per Month
  - · Workload: Medium workloads
  - · Data Size: 500 GB
- Cost Estimation: Based on the above attributes, it's a medium sized team with moderate workloads, so the best possible option for this Sales team is to acquire individual user licenses with basic or decent Fabric Capacity to maintain the workloads, during peak hours we can scaleup the CUs based on the need
  - Power BI Pro License (\$10) \* Number of Users (100) => \$10 \* 100 => \$1000.00
  - F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (264) => \$0.36 \* 264 => \$95.04
  - Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (500) =? \$0.023 \* 500 => \$11.50
  - Total Cost Estimation => \$1106.54

To avail Premium features, they need Premium Per User (PPU) License

- Premium Per User(PPU) License (\$20) \* Number of Users (10) => \$20 \* 100 => \$2000.00
- F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (264) => \$0.36 \* 264 => \$95.04
- Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (500) =? \$0.023 \* 50 => \$11.50
- Total Cost Estimation => \$2106.54



Use case 3: A large team of health care professionals with two hundred and fifty users who create and use the Power BI content

Size of Business	PROGRAM NAME OF	Hours		(Per Month)	Peak Hours (Per Month)				Total Estimation (PPU)
L	250	24	30	720	150	Medium	2000	\$2805.20	\$5305.20

- Use Case -3: A large team of Healthcare Professionals with 250 users who create and use the Power BI content
  - · Size of the Business: Large
  - Number of Users use Power BI: 250
  - Operational hours: 24 Hours per Day
  - Operational Days: 30 Days per Month
  - · Workload: Medium workloads
  - Data Size: 2000 GB (2TB)
- Cost Estimation: Based on the above attributes, it's a large sized team with moderate workloads, so the best possible option for this team is to acquire individual user licenses with basic or decent Fabric Capacity to maintain the workloads, during peak hours we can scaleup the CUs based on the need
  - Power BI Pro License (\$10) \* Number of Users (100) => \$10 \* 250 => \$2500.00
  - F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (470) => \$0.36 \* 470 => \$169.20
  - F8 Capacity Per hour(\$1.44) \* Total Number of Peak Hours (150) => \$1.44 \* 150 => \$216.00
  - Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (2000) =? \$0.023 \* 2000 => \$46.00
  - Total Cost Estimation => \$2931. 20

To avail Premium features, they need Premium Per User (PPU) License

- Premium Per User(PPU) License (\$20) \* Number of Users (10) => \$20 \* 250 => \$5000.00
- F2 Capacity Per hour(\$0.36) \* Total Number of Operational Hours (470) => \$0.36 \* 470 => \$169.20
- F8 Capacity Per hour(\$1.44) \* Total Number of Peak Hours (150) => \$1.44 \* 150 => \$216.00
- Onelake Storage Per GB (\$0.023) \* Total Data Size in GB (2000) =? \$0.023 \* 2000 => \$46.00
- Total Cost Estimation => \$5431. 20



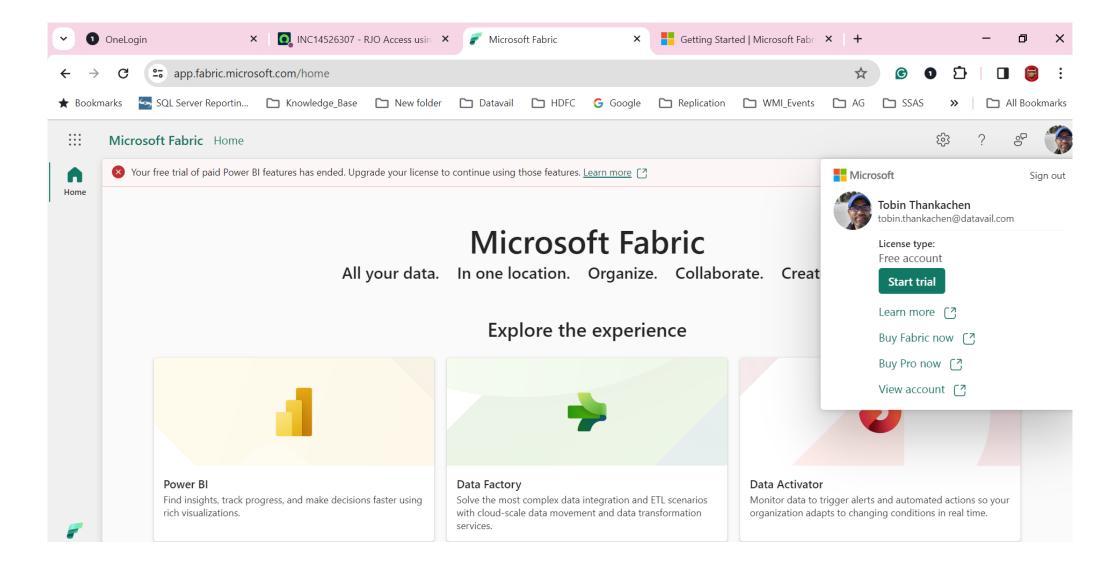
Use case 4 (Production Ready): very large team with thousands of users who create and use the Power BI content

Size of Business		Operational Hours (Per Day)	Operational Days (per Month)		Peak Hours (Per Month)	Workload	Data Size (GB)	Total Estimation (PRO)	Total Estimation (PPU)
XL	500	24	30	720	250	High	5000	>=F64 - \$8,4	09.60(PAYG)
XXL	1000	24	30	720	300	Very High	10000	>=F64 - \$8,4	09.60(PAYG)
XXXL	1000+	24	30	720	350	VV High	10000	>=F64 - \$8,4	09.60(PAYG)

- Use Case -4: A very Large Team with 1000s of users who create and use the Power BI content
  - Size of the Business: Extra Large
  - Number of Users use Power BI: 500+
  - Operational hours: 24 Hours per Day
  - Operational Days: 30 Days per Month
  - Workload: High Workloads Very Very High Workloads
  - · Data Size: 5000 GB
- Cost Estimation : For Large teams with hundreds of users and heavy workloads , its recommended to go with F64 and above

## **Microsoft Fabric Trial**









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