Azure Data Factory vs SSIS

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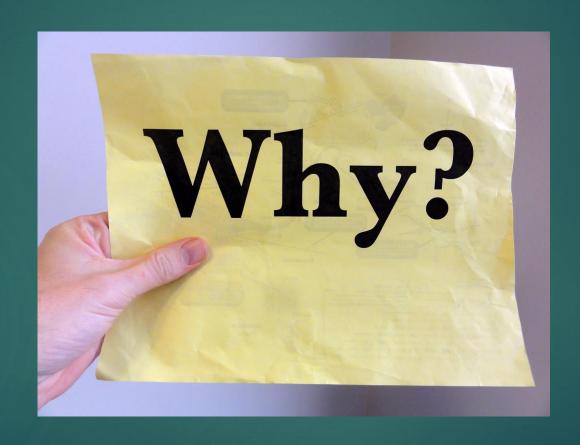




Agenda

Azure Data Factory Overview
SSIS Overview
Comparison

Why This Session?



I was working with SSIS



l've heard about Azure Data Factory



Panic!



Give it a go





Found it as a Great tool



Compare



Azure Data Factory



Azure Data Factory



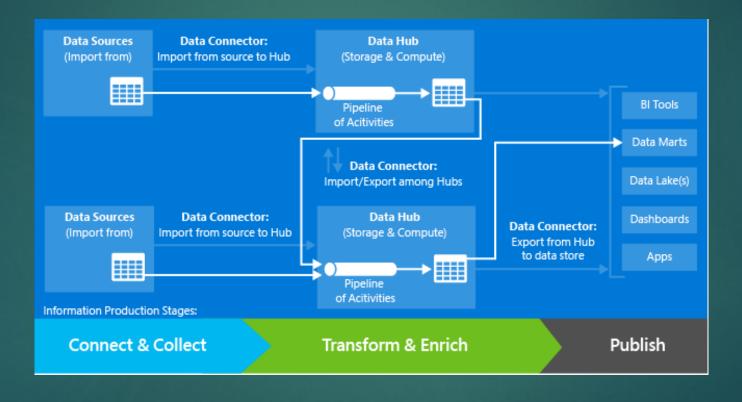
Fully Managed Service for Composing Data Storages, Processing, and Movement Services into Streamlined, Scalable, and Reliable Data Production Pipelines.

What You can do with Azure Data Factory

- Access to data sources
 - such as SQL Server On premises, SQL Azure, and Azure Blob storage
- Data transformation
 - ▶ through Hive, Pig, Stored Procedure, and C#.
- Monitoring
 - the pipeline of data, validation and execution of scheduled jobs
- Load it into desired Destinations
 - such as SQL Server On premises, SQL Azure, and Azure Blob storage
- And last but not least; This is Cloud based service.

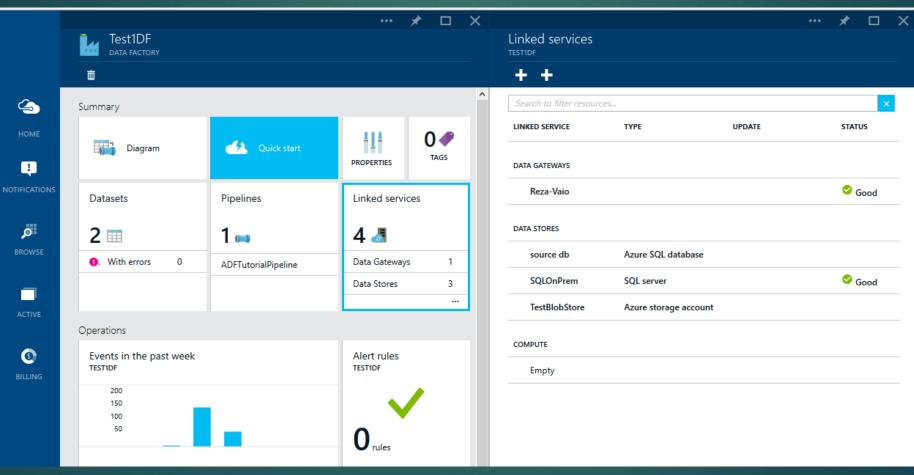
Azure Data Factory Architecture





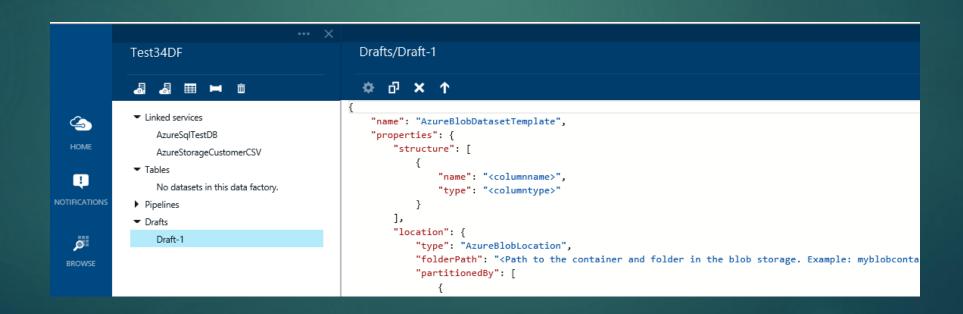
Administration Panel





ADF Editor

- Write JSON
- ▶ Edit/Create/Delete Objects
- Deploy



Main Benefits

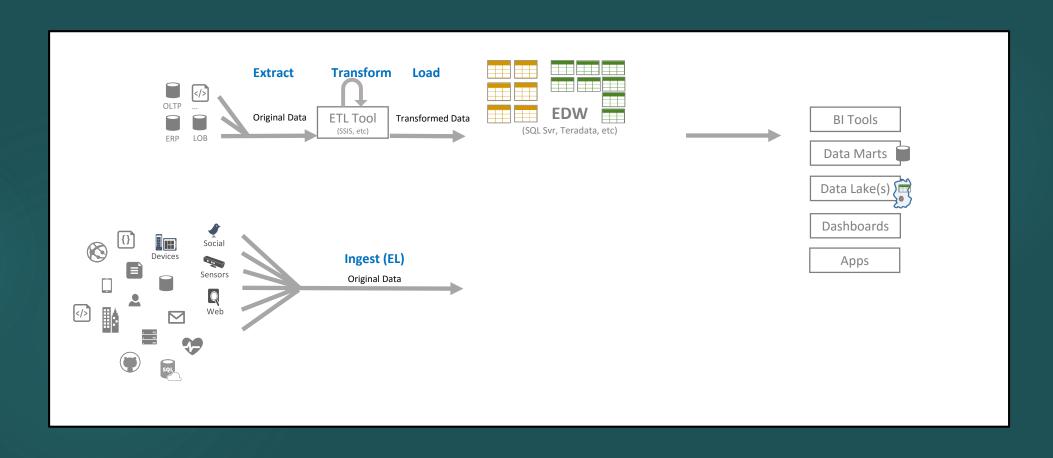
- ▶ Pay as Usage
- ► Cloud Based
- ▶ HDInsight compatibility
- Built for Massive Data Movement

Demo: Azure Data Factory

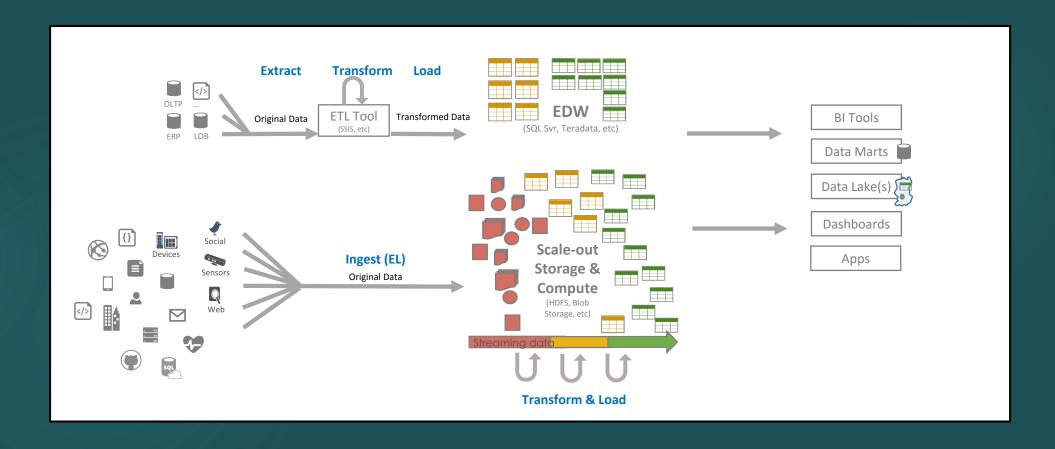
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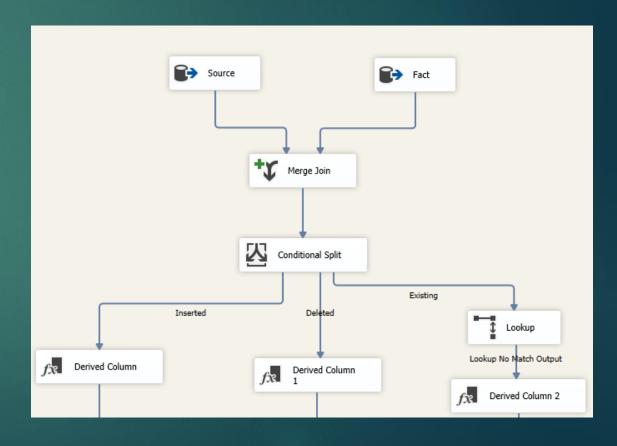
SSIS 101

SSIS

- Data Transformation and Consolidation Tool
- Part of SQL Server Installation
- Next generation of legacy DTS technology
- ▶ Introduced in 2005, Mature, but still new features coming

What you can do with SSIS

- Defining Flow of Activities
- Get data from many types of data sources
- Transform data
- Load data into many types of destinations



Main Benefits

- ▶ Rich Development Tool: SSDT
- Many Built-in Transformations

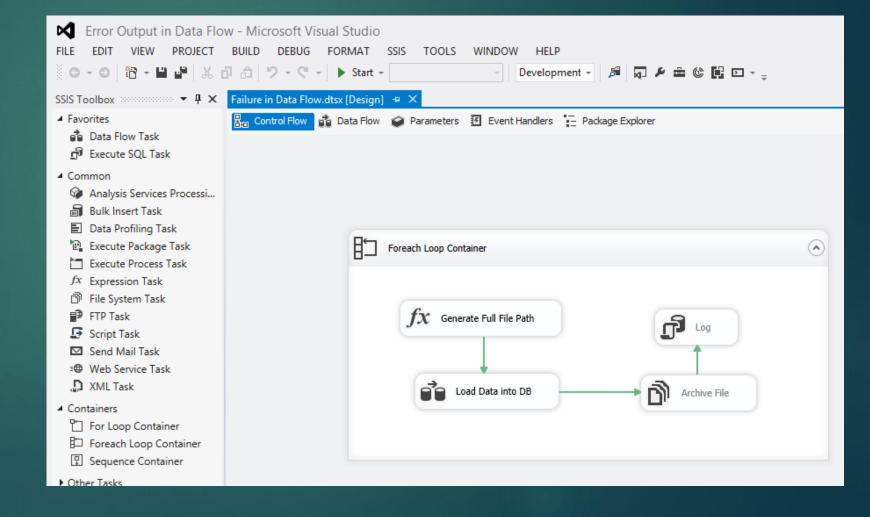
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Data Development Tool Administration Tool Data Transformations User Type Sources/Destinations Extension & Pricing Error Handling Deployment Monitoring Automation Environment **HDInsight** Azure Analytics Technology Security Requirements Compatibility Integration

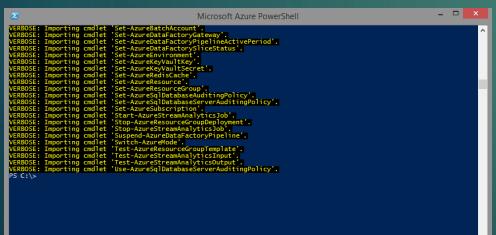
Development Tools: SSIS

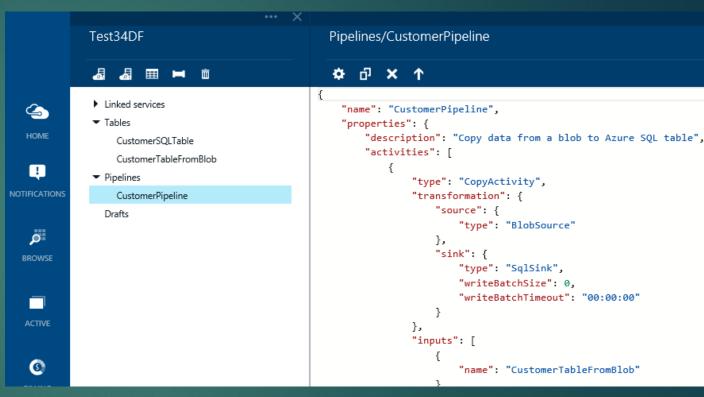
- ► SSDT / BIDS
- Rich and Powerful
- Available Free



Development Tools: ADF

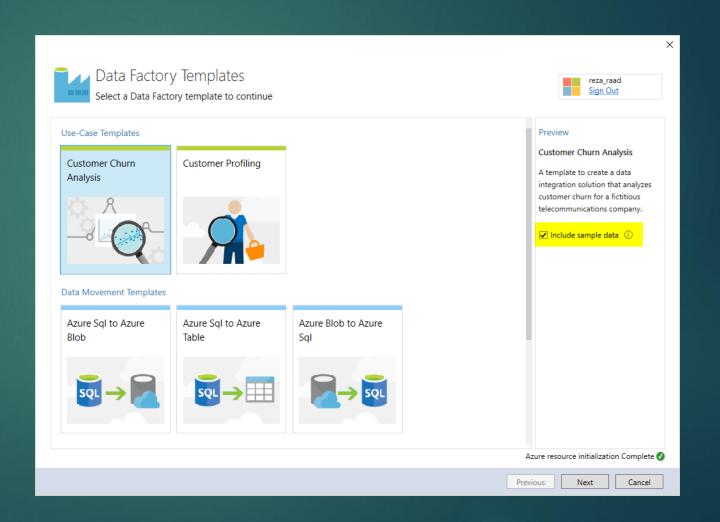
- Azure Portal
- New ADF Editor
- Azure Power Shell
- ▶ JSON scripts





Visual Studio Templates for ADF

- ▶ Awesome!
- But way far from Rich Editor
- ▶ No GUI
- No Intellisense
- No Debugging
- **....**



Copy Data - Preview

- Wizard for Copy Data
- ▶ Still Preview
- ▶ Not for Edit, only for Create
- Good Start

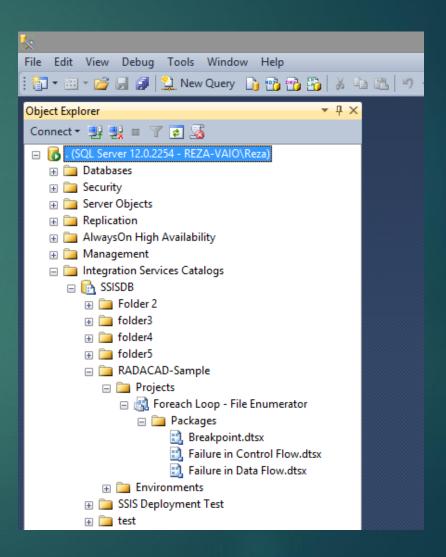
Comparison: Development Tool

	SSIS	ADF
Standalone Tool	Yes	Yes
Powerful GUI	Yes	No
Availability	Free	Free
Prerequisite	SQL Server License	Azure Subscription



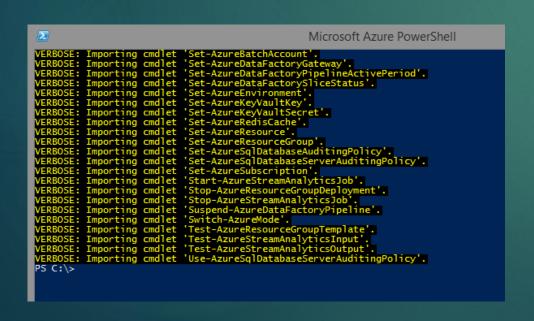
Administration Tool: SSIS

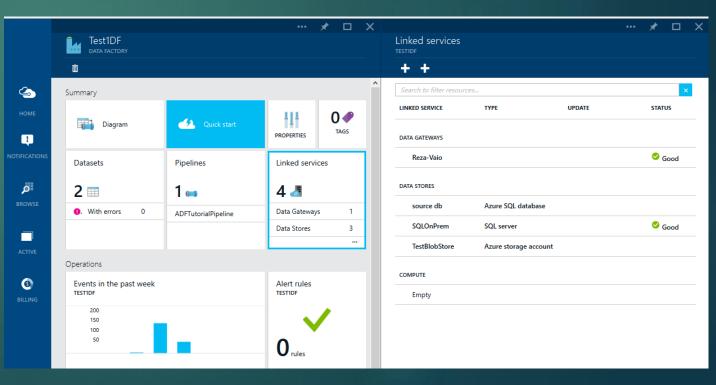
- ► SSMS
- Available Free (New Versions)



Administration Tool: ADF

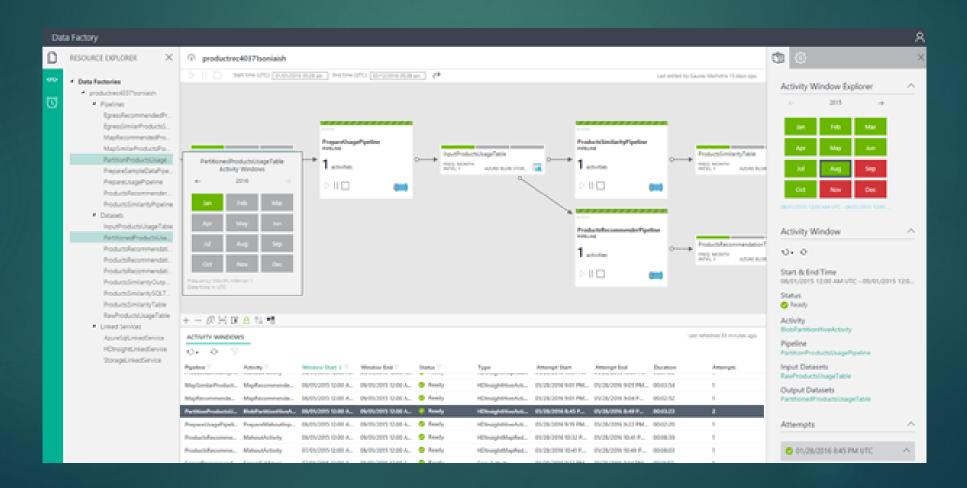
- Azure Portal
- Available under Azure subscription
- ► Azure Power Shell; Scheduling Pipelines...
- Azure Data Factory Cmdlets





The New Monitoring App

Data Factory Monitoring App released 10 days ago!



Comparison: Administration Tool

	SSIS	ADF
Standalone Tool	Yes	Yes
Powerful GUI	Yes	Yes, few with Power Shell
Availability	Free	Under subscription
Prerequisite	SQL Server License	Azure Subscription

User Type

▶ Both SSIS and ADF are Developer Tools and Services, Not for Power User



Data Src/Dest: SSIS

Wide Range

- Other Sources
 - ADO NET Source
 - CDC Source
 - Excel Source
 - Flat File Source

 - OLE DB Source
 - Raw File Source
 - 3 XML Source
- Other Destinations
 - ADO NET Destination
 - Data Mining Model Training
 - DataReader Destination
 - Dimension Processing
 - Excel Destination
 - Flat File Destination
 - ODBC Destination
 - Se OLE DB Destination
 - Partition Processing
 - Raw File Destination
 - Recordset Destination
 - SQL Server Compact Desti...
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SQL Server

Oracle

SAP

Salesforce

Access

Sybase

Informix

Teradata

MySQL

PostgreSQL

FoxPro

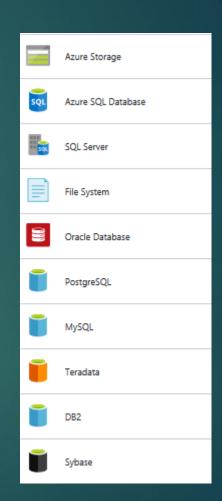
CSVs

Web Services

Many other Data Sources and Destinations types

Data Src/Dest: ADF

- ▶ Data Store Types Supported so far:
- + Azure SQL Data Warehouse
- + Azure Data Lake Store
- ▶ +Web
- ► +HDFS
- ▶ +ODBC
- ▶ +OData



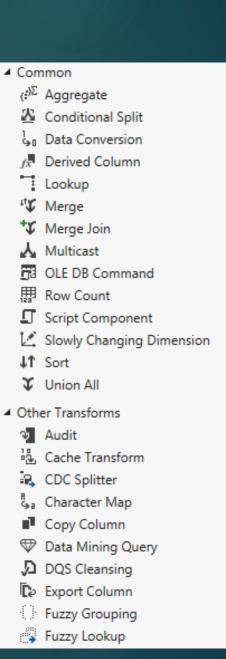
Comparison: Data Src/Dest

	SSIS	ADF
SQL Server On Premises	Yes	Yes
SQL Azure	Yes	Yes
Azure Storage	Yes	Yes
Oracle	Yes	Yes
SAP	Yes	
MySQL	Yes	Yes
DB2	Yes	Yes
CSVs	Yes	Yes
Web Services	Yes	
Many other Data src/dest	Yes	Fewer
Azure Data Lake Store		Yes

Data Transformations: SSIS

- ▶ Wide range of Built-in Transformation
- Ability to extend more with Script Component

Merge Join
Aggregate
Union
Lookup
Fuzzy Lookup/Grouping
Conditional Split
Derived Column
OLE DB Command
Many other Data Transformations



Data Transformations: ADF

- Copy Activity
- ▶ Stored Procedure (SPROC) Activity
- Hive and Pig Activity
 - Support wide range of transformations through HDInsight
- Custom C# Activity
 - Write your own transformation with C#
- Azure ML Batch Scoring Activity
- Azure Data Lake Analytics U-SQL Activity

Comparison: Data Transformation

More Built-in Transformation will come for ADF

	SSIS	ADF
Сору	Yes	Yes
C# Custom Transformations	Yes	Yes
Pig and Hive	With Scripting	Yes
Azure ML Batch Scoring	With Scripting	Yes
Stored Procedure	Yes	Yes
Built-in Data Transformations	Yes	

Extension & Automation: SSIS

- Programing SDK
- ▶ BIML; Automation
- ▶ Third-party tasks, and components: Pragmatic Works, CozyRoc....

Extension & Automation: ADF

- ▶ Power Shell
- ▶ No Programing SDK
- ▶ No third-party components YET!

Comparison: Extension & Automation

	SSIS	ADF
Programing SDK	Yes	No
Automation	Yes, BIML	Yes, Power Shell
Third-Party components	Yes	No



Pricing: SSIS

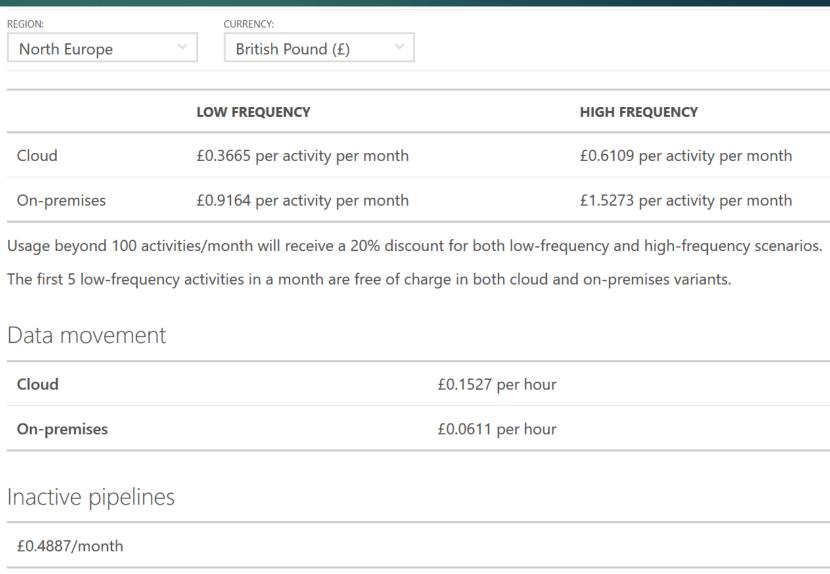
- Basic SSIS for Free (Import and Export Wizard)
 - ▶ Express Edition
- Standard SSIS features
 - ▶ Standard and BI Edition
- Advanced SSIS Features
 - Such as CDC and advanced adapters
 - ▶ Enterprise Edition



Pricing: ADF

▶ Pay for Usage





Comparison: Pricing

	SSIS	ADF
Licensing	Yes	
Pay for Features	Yes	
Pay for Usage		Yes



Environment: SSIS

- You need usually a physical good spec Server
 - ► Example SSIS practice for 1TB data movement in 30 Minutes!
- ► Hardware Requirements
- Software Requirements
- Administration Efforts



Environment: ADF

- Azure will take care of Environment
- Cloud based benefits
- ▶ HDInsight for ADF is also supported
- ▶ No Hardware, Software Administration efforts

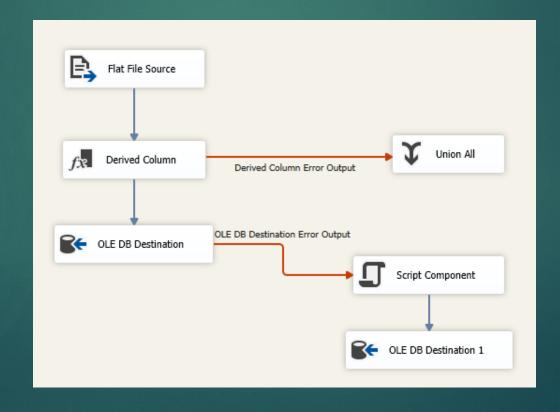


Comparison: Environment

	SSIS	ADF
Hardware Setup	Yes	
Software Setup	Yes	
Administration Costs	Yes	
Azure Environment Usage		Yes

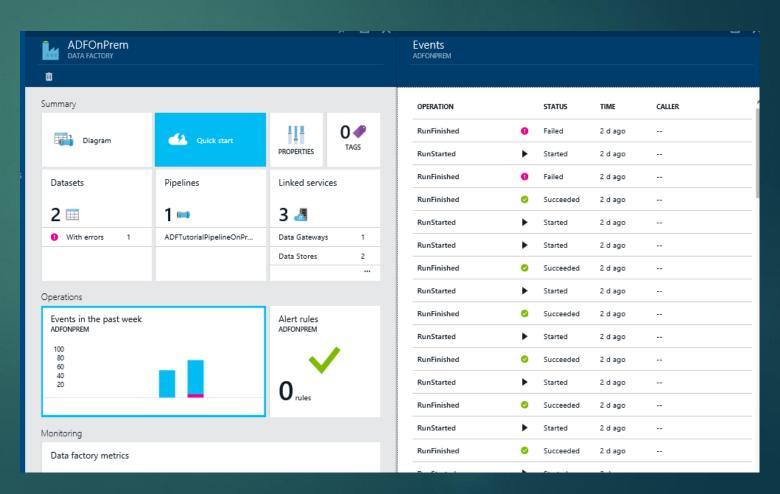
Error Handling: SSIS

- Error Handling through Event Handlers (OnError)
- ► Error Output in Data Flow
- ▶ Failure Precedence Constraint



Error Handling: ADF

- Error Message Logging
- ► Alert Rules
- ▶ No Error Handling Events



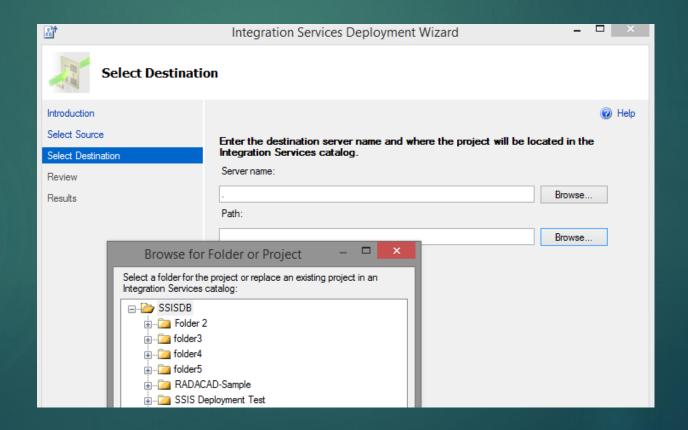
Comparison: Error Handling

	SSIS	ADF
Alerts	Yes	Yes
Error Logging	Yes	Yes
Error Handling	Yes	



Deployment: SSIS

- Deployment Wizard
- DTSPAC files to export

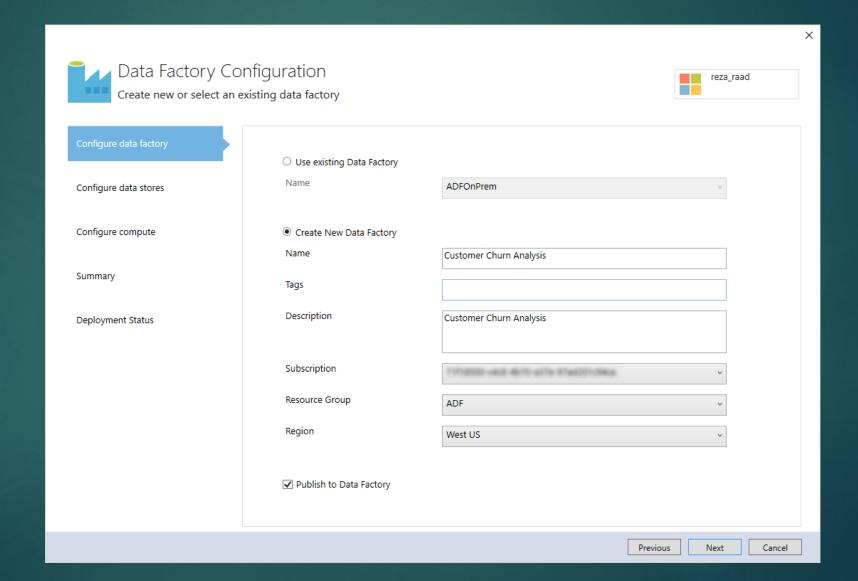


Deployment: ADF

- ► Power Shell scripts
- All steps can be automated through a Power Shell Script



Deployment through SSDT: ADF

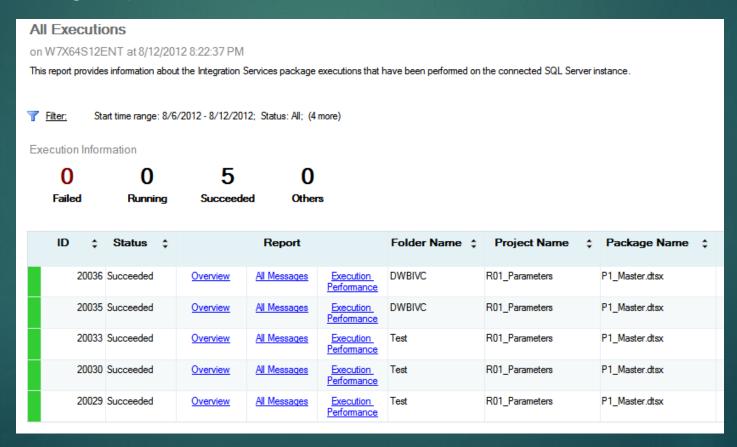


Comparison: Deployment

	SSIS	ADF
Deployment GUI	Yes	Yes
Deployment Scripts	Yes	Yes
Corporate Deployment Scenario with automated scripting	Yes	Yes

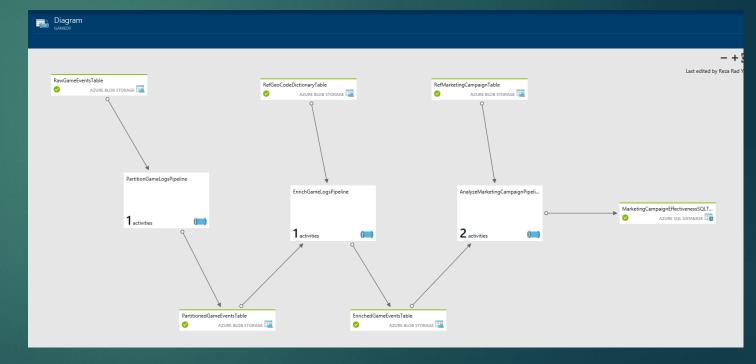
Monitoring: SSIS

- SSIS Logging
- SSIS Catalog Reports



Monitoring: ADF

- Diagram View
- Drill through monitoring features
- Powerful GUI
- Data Slice execution
- Data Lineage
 - ▶ Very Important Feature



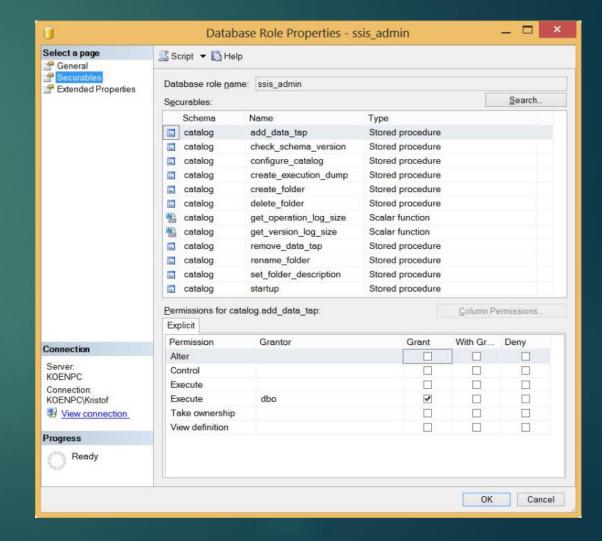
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Monitoring GUI	Yes	Yes
Drill through Monitoring	Yes	Yes
Data Slice		Yes
Data Lineage		Yes

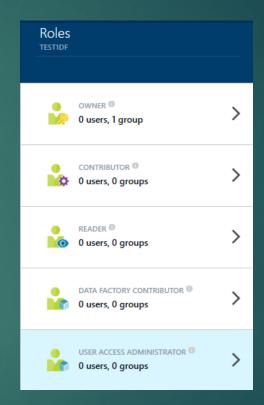
Security: SSIS

- Role Based
- ▶ Roles for Deploy, Execute, Monitor...



Security: ADF

- ▶ Role Based
- ► Roles:
 - Owner
 - Contributor
 - Reader
 - ▶ Data Factory Contributor
 - User Access Administrator



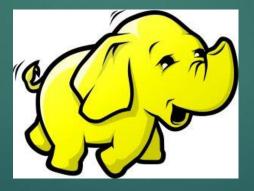
Comparison: Security

	SSIS	ADF
Role Based Security	Yes	Yes



HDInsight Compatibility

- Azure Data Factory can work with existing HDInsight Clusters
- ADF Can create HDInsight cluster on demand
- ► ADF HDInsight Activity run Pig and Hive scripts



Azure Analytics Integration

- Azure ML Batch Scoring Activity
- Data Lake Analytics U-SQL Activity



Comparison Summary

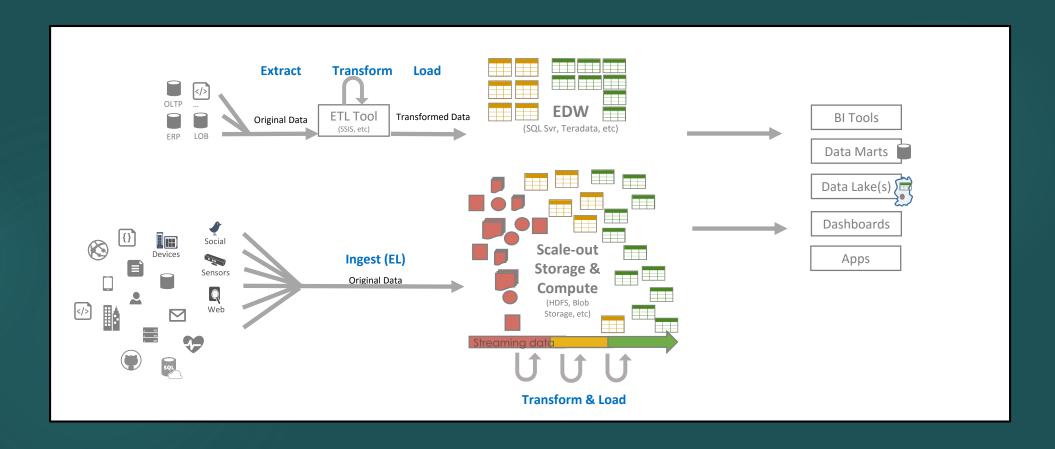
	SSIS	ADF
Development Tool	Yes	Yes (More Scripting Required)
Administration Tool	Yes	Yes (More Scripting Required)
User Type	Developer	Developer
Data Source and Destinations	Wide Range	Azure Storage, SQL Azure, SQL Server On Premises
Data Transformations	Many	Custom Code required
Environment	Setup Required	Azure Supported
Pricing	Pay for Features	Pay for Usage
Environmental and Administration Costs	Yes	No Costs
Error Handling	Event Handers, Alerts	Alerts
Logging	Yes	Yes
Deployment	Yes	Yes
Monitoring	Yes	Yes
Data Lineage		Yes
Security	Role Based	Role Based
HDInsight Compatibility	Normal	High
Azure Analytics Integration		High

Hybrid

Purpose

- ► These tools/services didn't built for the same purpose
- ► They are complement of each other

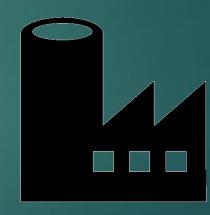
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Get Benefits of Both

- Hybrid SSIS and ADF
- Cloud based data movement, Computing and monitoring
- Rich On Premises Data Transformations





Summary

- If you are dealing with Big Data
- If source or destination of data is on cloud
- ▶ If you are dealing with Azure Storage
- If you want to cut down environmental costs
- If you want to cut down administration costs
- If you want to cut down Pricing
- ▶ If Azure is one side of the data
 - ▶ Then ADF Can be good response
- But always Consider Hybrid Scenarios

Summary

ADF comes as a Complementary service



▶ Not to Compete with SSIS



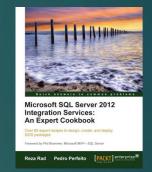
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► SSIS Book

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Questions?

