

Sovereign, High-Performance Orchestration of 5 Billion Healthcare Records using dbt and Dagster

Transforming 5 Billion Rows of Healthcare Data: A Secure, Locally Deployed Open-Source Pipeline for OMOP CDM

Challenge: Cloud ETL poses **data residency risks** and high costs for large-scale health data.

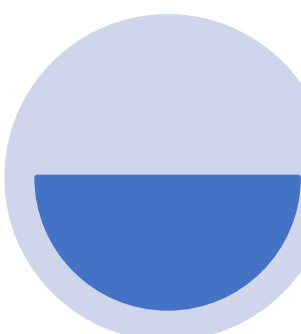
Goal: A local, open-source pipeline to transform **5B+ rows** into OMOP CDM without compromising institutional sovereignty.

Methods



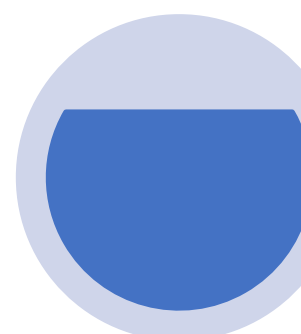
Architecture

Containerized **Docker** environment using **dbt** for transformations and **Dagster** for orchestration.



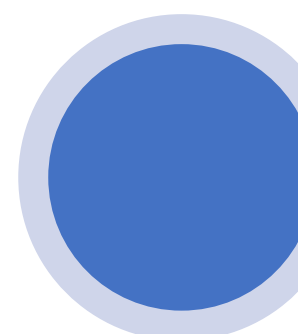
Optimization

Custom **dbt materializations** for SQL Server and 6-month **partitioned execution** to minimize memory footprint.



Quality Gates

Mandatory **Achilles** and **DQD** audits before migration to production environment



Local AI

LLM sensors for private, natural-language troubleshooting of SQL logs on-site.

Results

10x Performance: Partitioned execution delivered a **10x speed increase** in OMOP model updates compared to legacy methods.

Scalability: Proved that **standard on-premises hardware** can process 5B+ rows at enterprise scale.

Transparency: Software-defined assets provide end-to-end **lineage** and **auditability**

