Introducing the Power BI Platform



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- Understanding the Power BI Platform
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What is Business Intelligence?

- BI focuses on business health and performance
 - Gather insights into health of business processes
 - Take corrective actions in a timely fashion
- BI projects typically involve the following...
 - Integrate data from multiple sources
 - Perform data transformation and complex calculations
 - Analyze large data sets with rapid query response
 - Create insightful reports and visualizations
 - Provide insights that are "actionable"



How is the BI Software Industry Changing?

- Software industry is experiencing new proliferation of data
 - Number of telemetry devices is increasing exponentially
 - Device-generated data is providing new business opportunities
 - Example: Uber has used geolocation data to disrupt taxi industry
- Traditional BI and analytics models are being disrupted
 - New analytics capabilities available with new types of data sources
 - Data discovery and unstructured data analytics are new frontiers
 - Demand for self-service BI tools are on the rise
 - Balance of power shifting from IT to business divisions



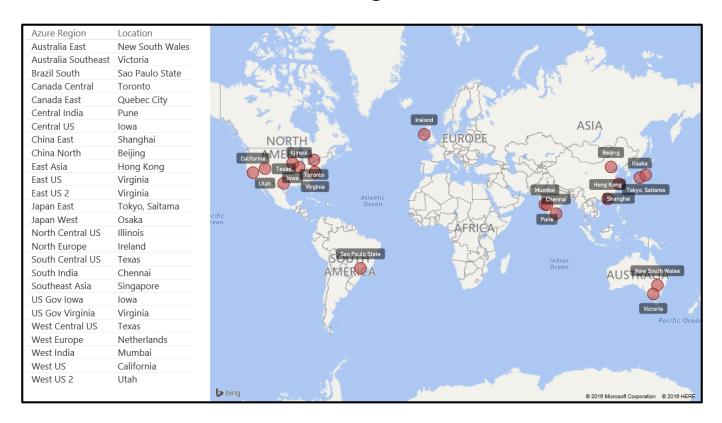
What is Power BI?

- What is Power BI?
 - Cloud-based subscription service
 - Environment which promotes self-service BI to the end user
 - BI Platform to assists with data import, analysis and visualization
- Power BI benefits from being a cloud-based service
 - It takes only 5 seconds to subscribe to the Power BI service
 - New users can create something significant in 5 minutes or less
- Power BI adoption numbers (as of Q1 2016)
 - 5 million subscribers
 - 200,000 organizations
 - 40 different languages



Power BI Benefits from Microsoft Azure

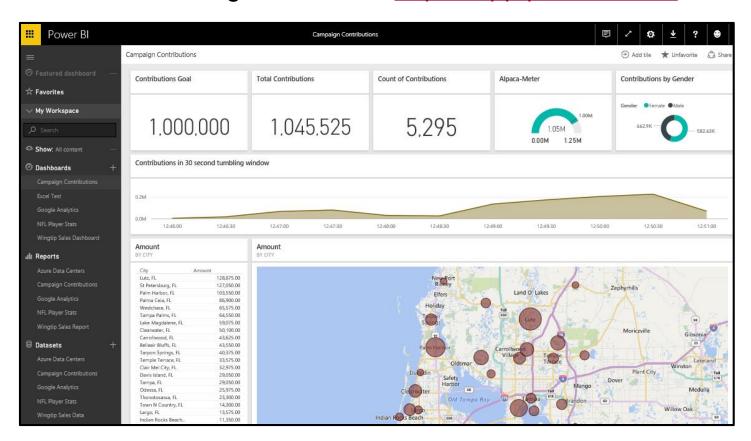
- Power BI is built on top of Microsoft Azure
 - Power BI solutions can be scaled as required
 - Power BI solutions have global reach





The Power BI Service

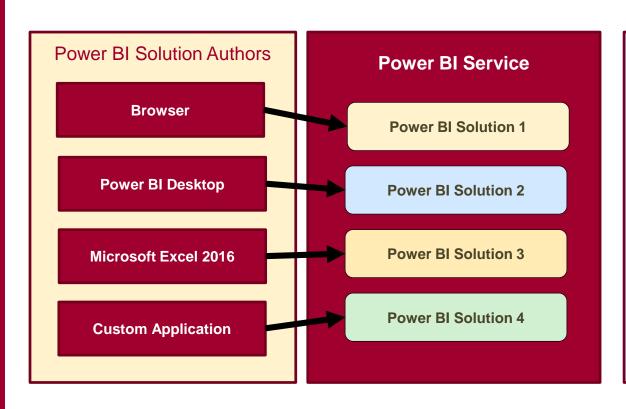
- The Power BI Service
 - Provides cloud-based foundation for Power BI platform
 - Accessible through browser at https://app.powerbi.com

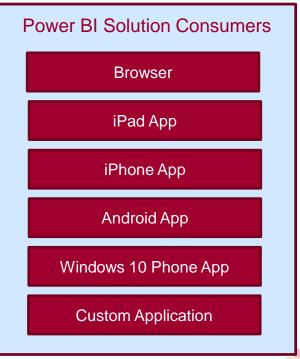




Power BI Service Architecture

- Power BI support for authors and consumers
 - BI solution authors have a choice in authoring tools
 - BI solutions consumers can use wide range of devices





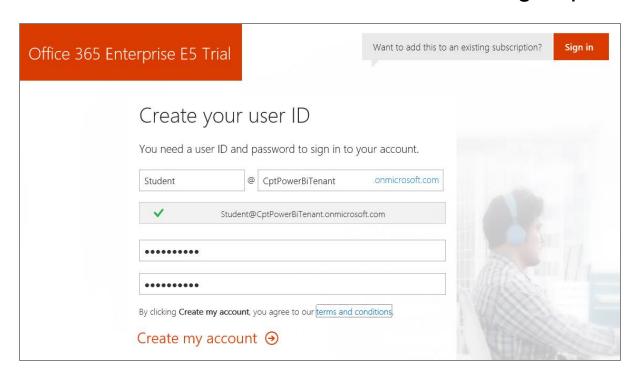
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Creating a Power BI Testing Environment

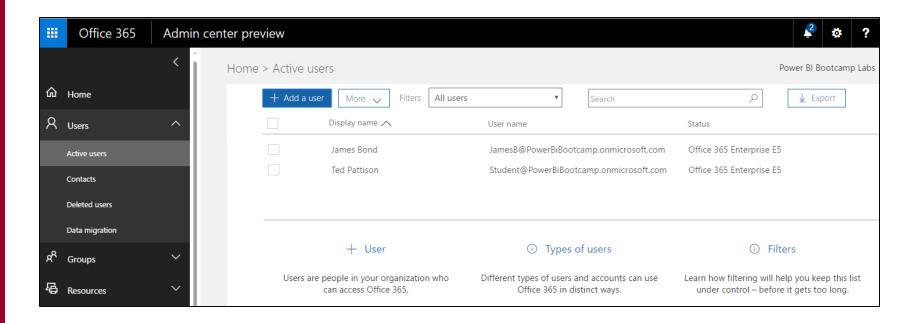
- Sign up for an Office 365 Enterprise E5 trial account
 - Creates a new Office 365 tenant
 - Creates an account which is tenant administrator
 - You can create 25 user accounts for testing purposes
 - You can create and test Office 365 unified groups





Office 365 admin center

- Chores to accomplish in Office 365 admin center
 - Learn how to add secondary user accounts for testing
 - Learn how to view and manage groups

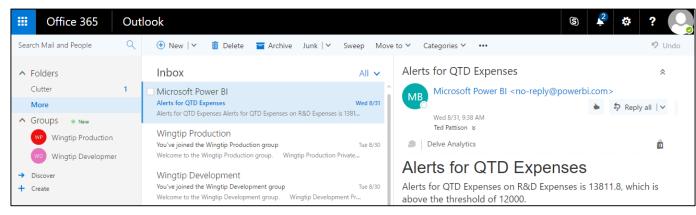




Accessing Your Office 365 Mailbox

- Make sure you can access your Exchange Inbox
 - Accessible in browser using Outlook Web App (OWA)
 - View messages sent by Power BI service
 - View and interact with Office 365 groups

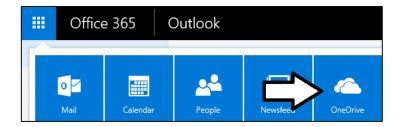


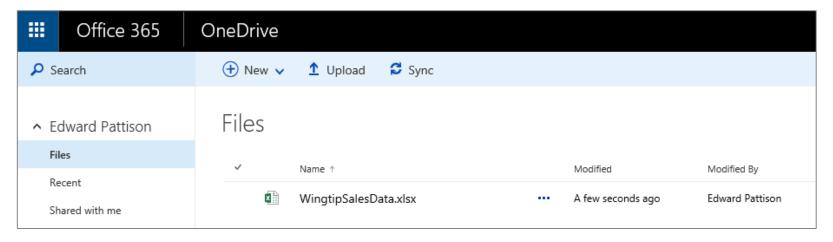




Uploading Data Files to OneDrive for Business

- Preferred location for data files consumed by Power BI service
 - Excel workbooks
 - CSV files
 - PBIX files created using Power BI Desktop









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Central Power BI Concepts



- Workspace
 - Provides user context and asset container
 - Every user has personal workspace
 - Team development requires group workspaces
- Dashboard
 - Consolidated view into reports and datasets
 - Custom solution entry point for mobile users
- Report
 - Collection of pages with tables & visualizations
 - Provides interactive control of filtering
- Dataset
 - Data model containing one or more tables
 - Can be very simple or very complex



Dashboards and Tiles

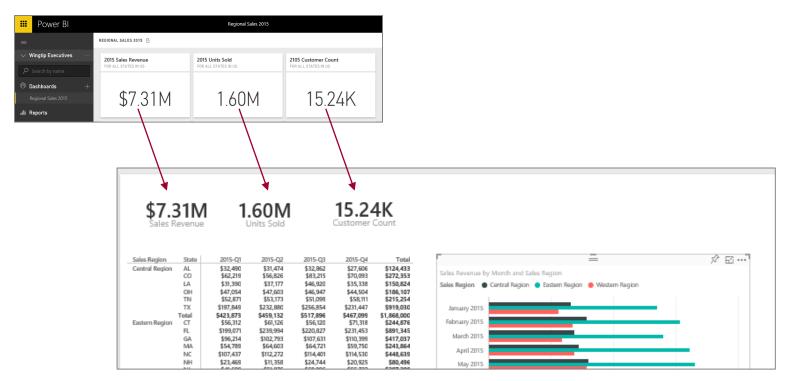
- Dashboard is a collection of tiles
 - Tile can be created by pinning visual from a report
 - Tile can be created by pinning query result from dataset





Dashboards and Reports

- Dashboards link users to reports
 - Dashboard tiles designed to provide high-level view
 - Clicking tiles drills down into report to see more detail





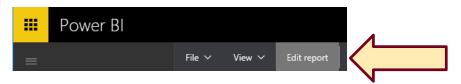
Reports and Pages

- Reports contain one or more pages
 - A report can be designed with a single page
 - A report can be designed with many pages
 - Tabbed navigation located at bottom of report view
 - Each report is associated with exactly one dataset

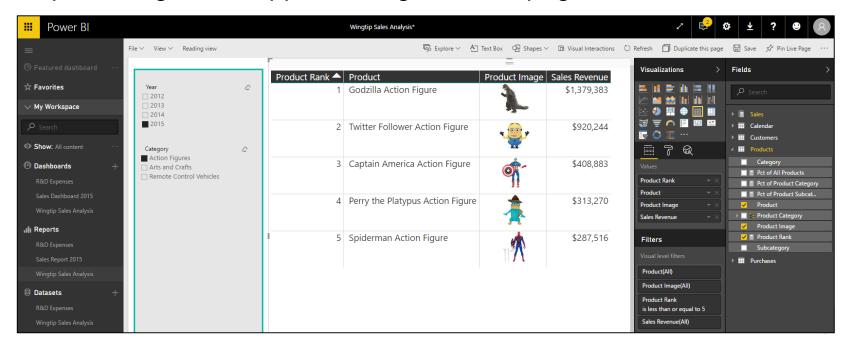


Report Authoring

- Report initially opens in reading view
 - Click Edit report to switch to edit mode



Report design tools appear on right side of page

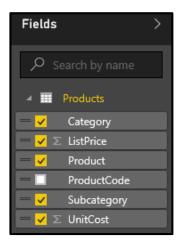


Visuals (aka Visualizations)

- Reports are designed using visual (aka visualizations)
 - Each visuals is based on an underlying visualization type
 - Visualization type can be changed using Visualizations pane



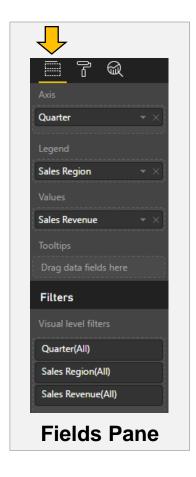
Visuals creating by using fields from tables inside Fields list

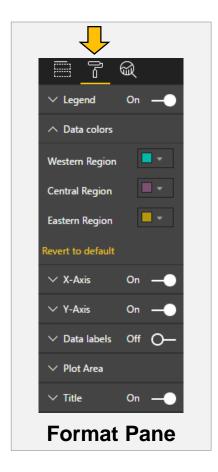




Editing Visual Properties

- Visual properties modified using three property panes
 - Visual properties vary greatly depending on type of visualization



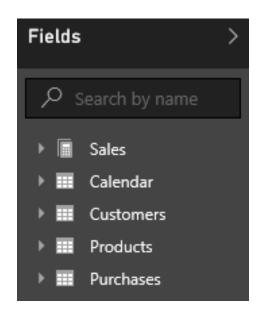


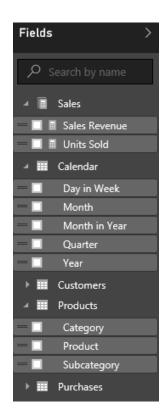




Report and Datasets

- Each report is based on an underlying dataset
 - Fields list in report designer shows tables and fields
 - Report author sees tables & fields as dataset consumer

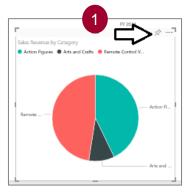


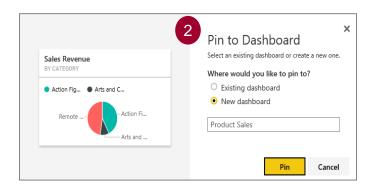


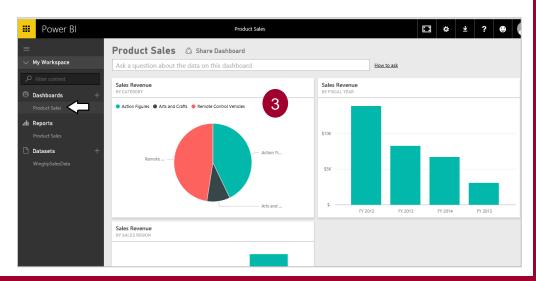


Creating Dashboards

- Dashboards contain tiles
 - Tiles created from visuals on report pages









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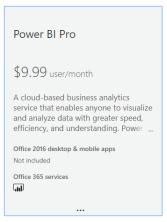
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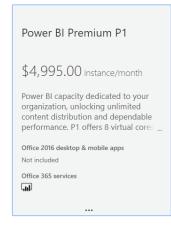
User-based licensing

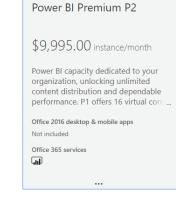
Power BI (free) \$0.00 user/month A cloud-based business analytics service that enables anyone to visualize and analyze data with greater speed, efficiency, and understanding. It ... Office 2016 desktop & mobile apps Not included Office 365 services





Capacity-based Licensing





Power BI Premium P3 Power BI Pre (Month to M \$19,995.00 instance/month Power BI capacity dedicated to your organization, unlocking unlimited content distribution and dependable performance. P1 offers 32 virtual core ... Office 2016 desktop & mobile apps Not included Office 365 services Intl

Power BI Premium EM3 (Month to Month)

\$2,495.00 instance/month

Embed Power BI content in your custom application, powered by 4 virtual cores of dedicated capacity. Some Premium features are disabled ...

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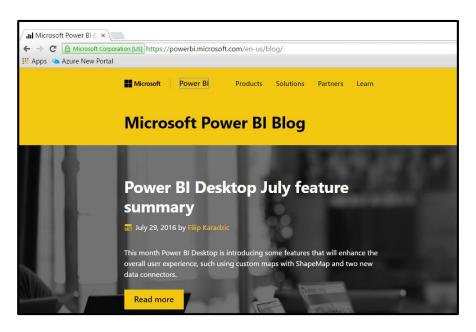


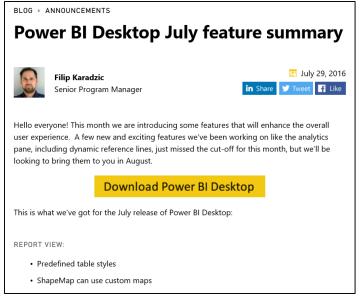
Power BI Team Blog

Power BI Team Blog is an Essential Resource

https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/blog/

Be on the lookout for monthly updates

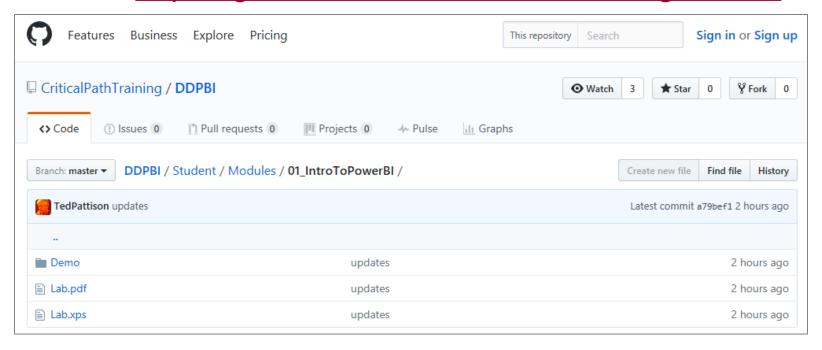






Live Labs for DDPBI

- Student files for this course maintained in GitHub
 - Students files updated on a monthly basis
 - Lab write-ups available in PDF and XPS formats
 - Go to https://github.com/CriticalPathTraining/DDPBI





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