# (Big) Data Engineering In Depth From Beginner to Professional

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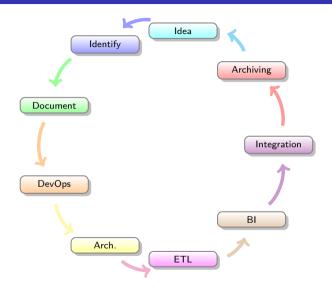
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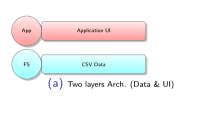
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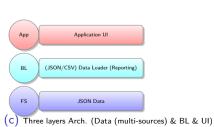
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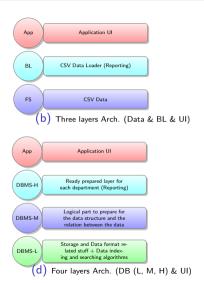


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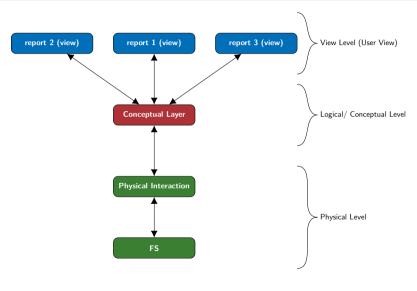
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#### Definition (What is Data Warehousing?)

A DWH is defined as a technique for collecting and managing data from varied sources to **provide meaningful business insights**. It is a blend of technologies and components which aids the strategic use of data.

The real concept was given by Inmon Bill. He was considered as a father of the DWH. He had written about a variety of topics for building, usage, and maintenance of the warehouse & the Corporate Information Factory

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Data warehouse system is also known by the following names:

- Decision Support System (DSS).
- Business Intelligence Solution.
- Executive Information System.
- Management Information System.
- Analytic Application.
- Data Warehouse.

# Sub-Section: Differences Between DWH and Operational DB

# DWH vs Operational databases

Metric	Transactions DB	DWH	
Volume	GB/TB	TB/PB	
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Orientation	Product	Subject or multi products	
Business Units	Product team	Multi organizational units	
Normalization	Normalized	Not required (De-normalized in many use cases)	
Data Model	Relational	Star Schema or Multi-dim	
Intelligence	Reporting	Advanced reporting and Machine Learning	
Use cases	Online transactions & operations	Centeralized storage (360°)	

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# Sub-Section: Types of DWH

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Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDWH) It provides decision support service across the enterprise. It offers a unified approach for organizing and representing data (DWH Model). It offers data classifications according to the subject with privileges policy.

Operational Data Store (ODS): is a central database that provides an up-to-date (real-time) data from multiple transnational systems for operational reporting into a single DWH.

Data Mart: A data mart is a subset of the data warehouse. It specially designed for a particular line of business, such as sales, finance, sales or finance. In an independent data mart, data can collect directly from sources.

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Sub-Section: Use Cases of Operational DB vs DWH

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### Use case (DWH)

The Full picture required a DWH. However, we still need the other operational databases for product development perspective.



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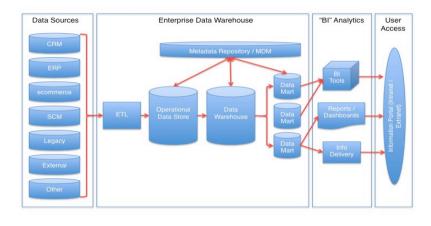


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## Data Model Design Principle

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- facts, start schema, dimensional modeling techniques.
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- Support Roll Up, Drill Down, and Pivot Analysis
- Time Phased / Temporal Data
- Operational Logical and Physical Data Models
- Normalization and Denormalization
- Model Granularity : Level of Detail

## Sub-Section: ETL Process

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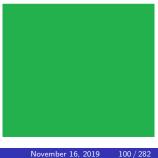
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# ETL vs ELT When? Why?



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# Sub-Section: Storage layer

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# Storage layer



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# Sub-Section: Logical layer

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# Sub-Section: Reporting (UI) layer

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# Metadata layer

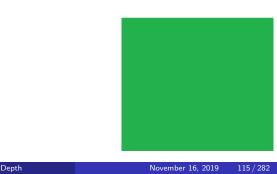


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## Sub-Section: System operations layer

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### System operations layer



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#### **DWH Architecture Overview**

There are mainly three types of Datawarehouse Architectures: -

- Single-tier architecture.
- Two-tier architecture.
- Three-tier architecture.

### Section: File Formats

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# Section: Data Encoding and Formats

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## Section: Data Compression Technique

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# Section: Data Archiving and Retention

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### Data Archiving and Retention

• some details about hot vs cold storage,



## Section: DWH On Cloud

Section: Further Readings and Assignment

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