

Creating Data Models in Power BI



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Overview



Introducing the Power BI data model

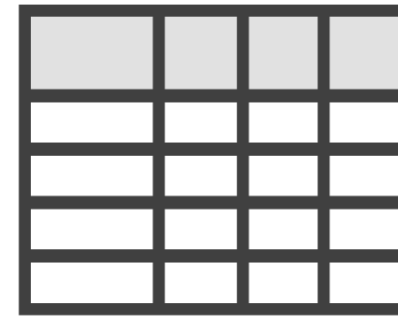
Defining table relationships

Configuring model properties

Adding calculations



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Queries

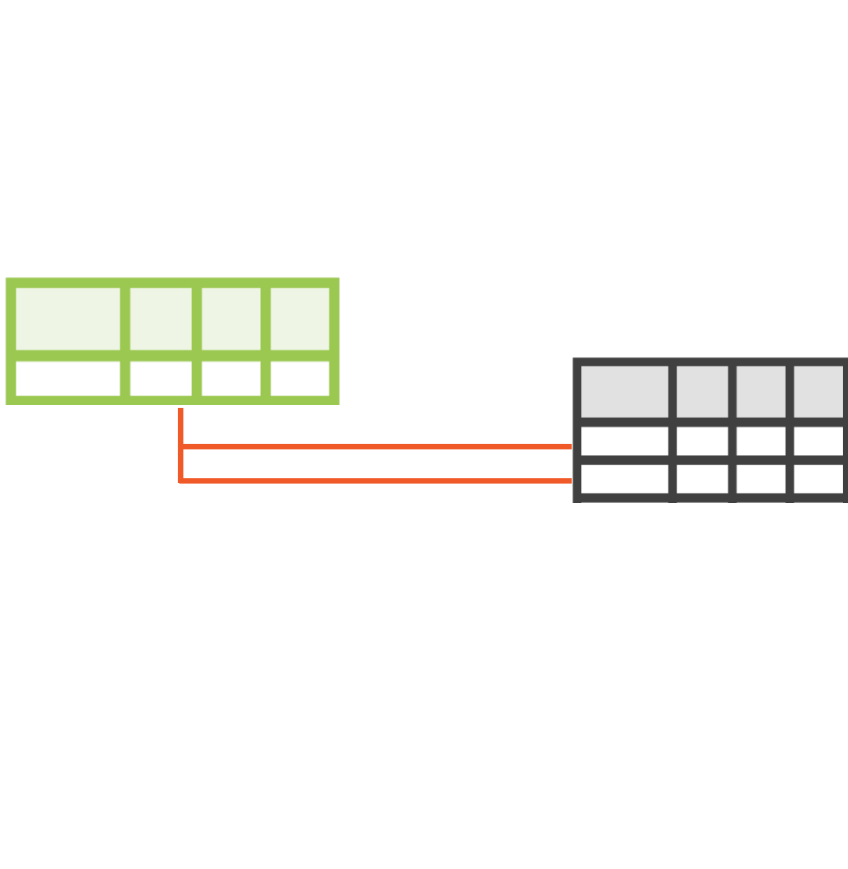
are comprised of data sources
and a sequence of
transformation steps

Model tables

are loaded from queries
and enhanced with relationships,
property settings, and calculations



Defining Table Relationships



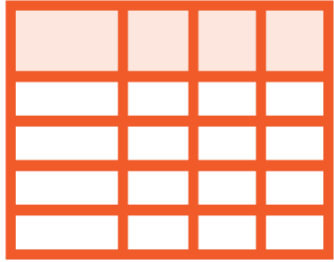
One-to-many relationship

Single row in one table matches multiple rows in second table

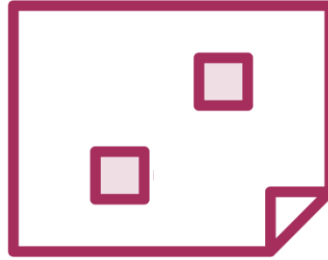
“One” side requires unique values in matching column

“Many” side can have duplicate values in matching column

Configuring Model Properties



Object names and
descriptions



Hidden objects



Sort order



Data types



Format



Default
summarization



Adding Calculations

Calculated column

DAX expression

Resolves as a scalar value

Persists in each row of a table column

Increases the Power BI model size

Measure

DAX expression

Resolves as an aggregate value

Displays as a visualization's data point

Does not affect the Power BI model size



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