#### **Power BI Desktop Primer**



#### **Agenda**

- Power BI Desktop Overview
- Building Queries
- Designing Data Models
- Designing Reports
- Query Parameters
- Power BI Desktop Template Files



## **Power BI Desktop Projects**

- Design queries to create a dataset
  - Most datasets created using import model
  - Datasets can be created with DirectQuery and Live Connect
- Enrich the dataset using data modeling features
  - Add calculated columns, measures, hierarchies, etc
- Visualize insights from your dataset by creating reports
  - Build reports using visuals
- Publish projects to the Power BI Service
  - Your datasets & reports can be used in Power BI embedding



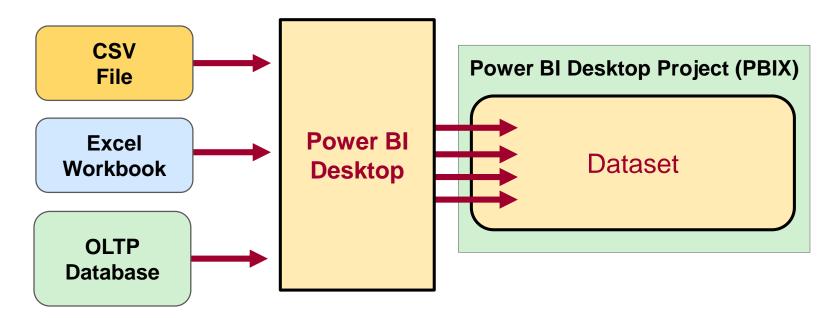
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## Power BI Desktop is an ETL Tool

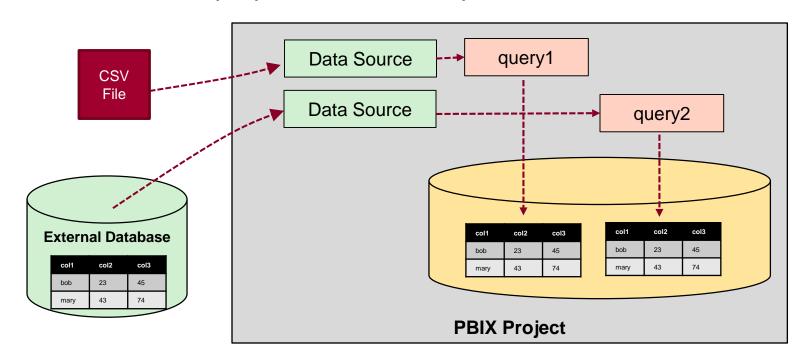
- ETL process is essential part of any BI Project
  - Extract the data from wherever it lives
  - Transform the shape of the data for better analysis
  - Load the data into dataset for analysis and reporting





# **Understanding Query Input and Output**

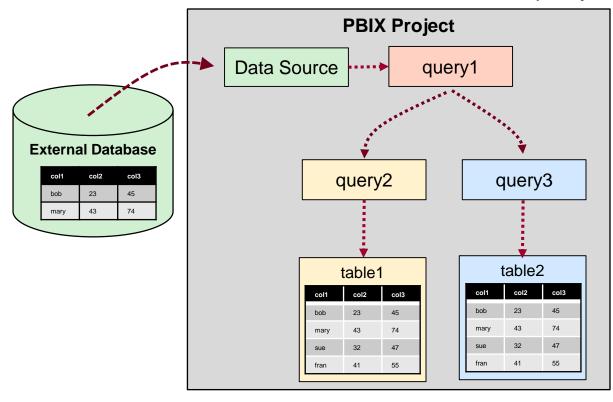
- PBIX project is container for data sources and queries
  - Queries created and saved within scope of Power BI project
  - Queries can pull data from local files
  - Queries can pull data from external content sources
  - Queries main purpose is to load imported data into data model

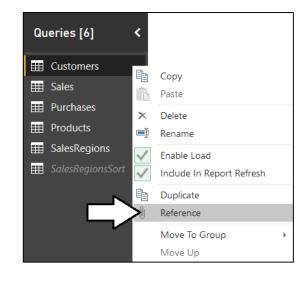




# **Query Composition**

- Query can serve as source for other queries
  - Allows for creation of reusable base queries & query composition
  - Complexity can be hidden in base queries
  - Reference command creates new query based on another query

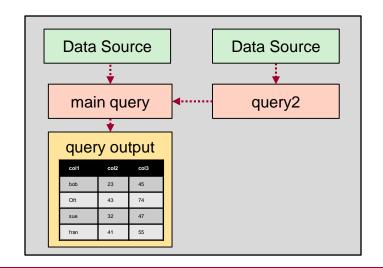


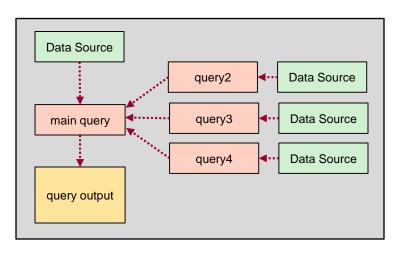




# **Combining Queries**

- Query can be merged or appended with another query
  - Merge operation allows you combine columns from two tables
  - Append operation allows you to combine rows from two tables
- Two queries are combined into single output for loading
  - Load settings of main query determines where output is loaded
  - Secondary query acts as source for main query
  - Secondary query be can created with connection-only load setting

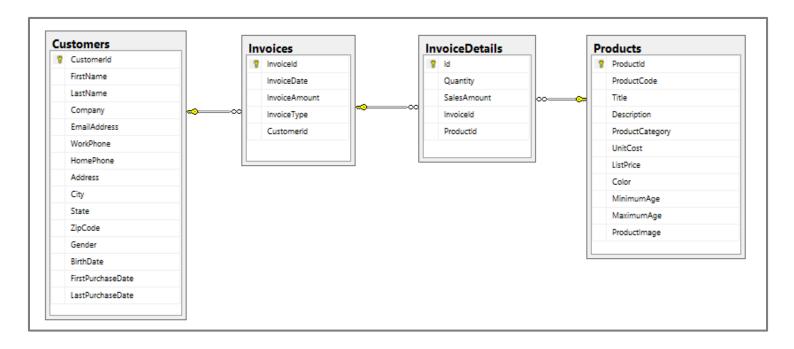






# Sample OLTP Database: WingtipSalesDB

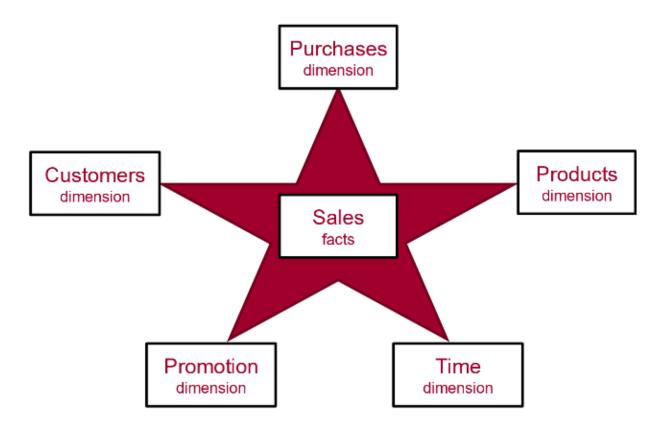
- Online Transaction Processing (OLTP) System
  - Used for real-time data access and transaction-based data entry
  - Optimized for faster transactions (e.g. inserts, updates & deletes)
  - Tables normalized to reduce/eliminate redundancies
  - Table schemas can be hard for business users to understand





## **Data Modeling using a Star Schema**

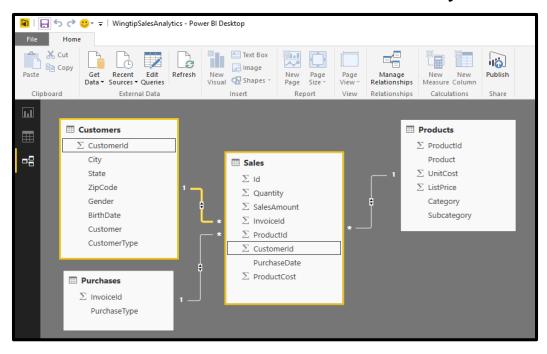
- OLAP Modeling often based on Star Schema
  - Tables defined as fact tables or dimension tables
  - Fact tables related to dimension table using 1-to-many relationships





# **Designing Queries to Build a Star Schema**

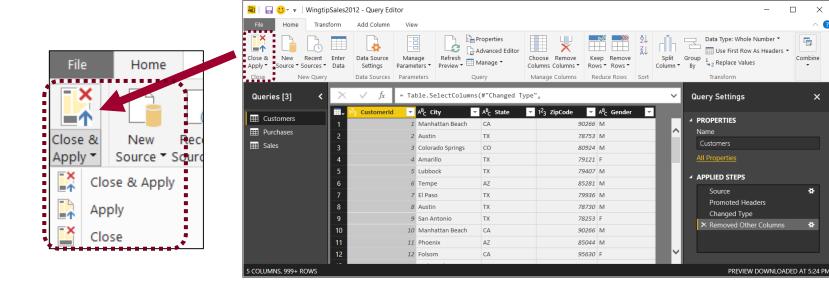
- Converts OLTP Data Model to OLAP Data Model
  - Sales table is modeled as a OLAP Fact Table
  - Other tables are modeled as OLAP Dimension tables
  - Requires pulling CustomerId column into Sales table
  - All dimension tables should be directly related to fact table





# **Query Editor Window**

- Power BI Desktop provides separate Query Editor window
  - Provides powerful features for designing queries
  - Displays list of all queries in project on the left
  - Displays **Properties** and **Applied Steps** for selected query on right
  - Preview of table generated by query output shown in the middle
  - Query can be executed using Apply or Close & Apply command



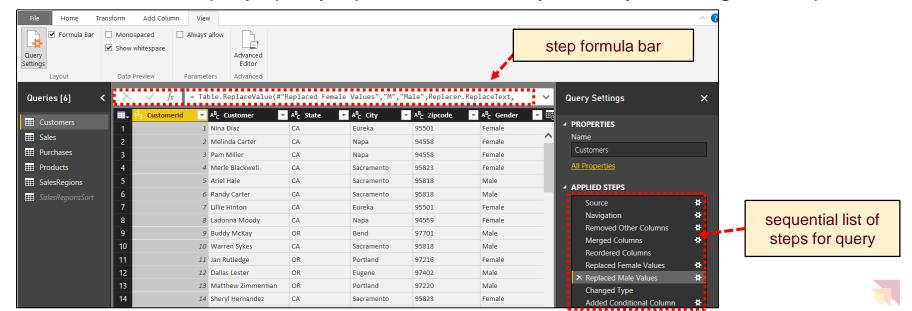


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Combine

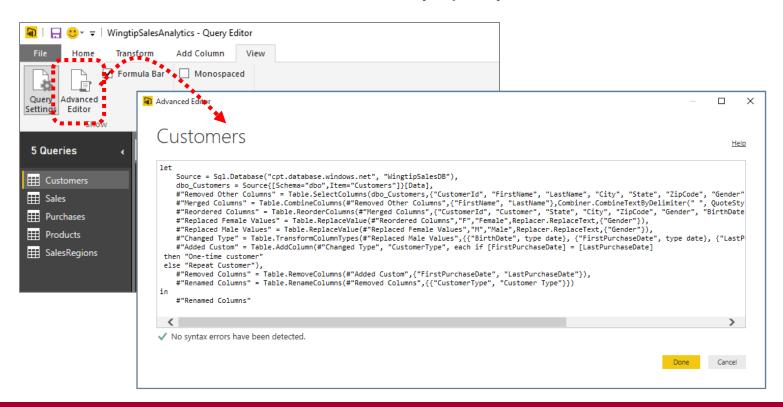
#### **Query Steps**

- A query is created as a sequence of steps
  - Each step is a parameterized operation on the data
  - Each step has formula which can be viewed/edited in formula bar
  - Query starts with Source step to extract data from a data source
  - Additional steps added to perform transform operations on data
  - You can replay query operations one by one by clicking on steps



#### **Advanced Editor**

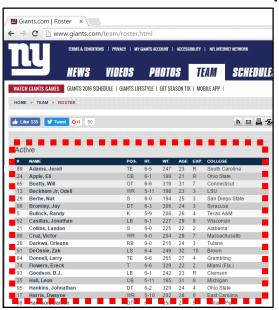
- Power BI Desktop based on "M" functional language
  - Query in Power BI Desktop saved as set of M statements in code
  - Query Editor generates code in M behind the scenes
  - Advanced users can view & modify query code in Advanced Editor

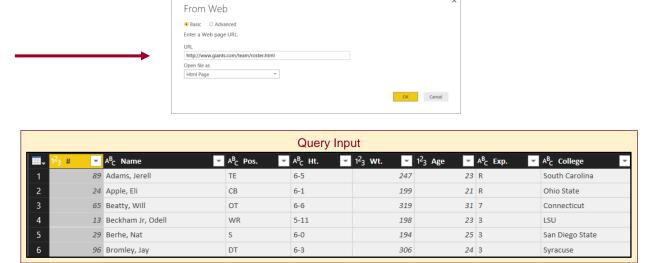




#### **Working with Web Data Sources**

- Many public websites publish data using HTML tables
  - Power BI desktop can scrape data from tables in HTML pages







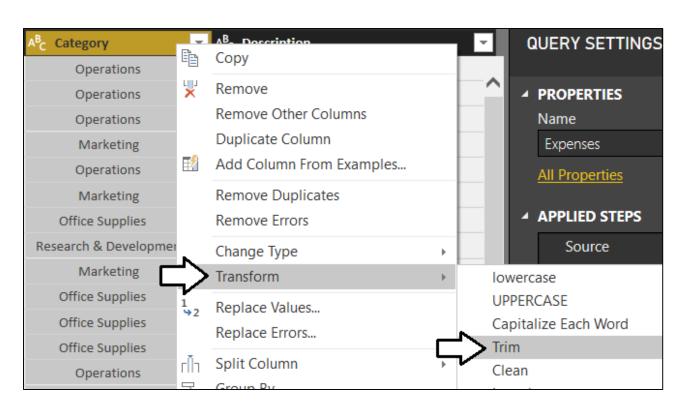
# **Examples of Basic Power BI Desktop Steps**

- Rename column
- Convert column type
- Trim and clean column values
- Replace column values
- Format column values
- Expanding related column
- Merging columns
- Splitting columns



# **Cleaning Data**

- Special steps available to clean up string-based data
  - Transform > Trim removes whitespace
  - Transform > Clean removed non-printable characters





## **Converting Column Types**

- Transform data to make it more reliable
  - Convert date-time column to date column
- Transform data to make it more efficient
  - Convert decimal to fixed decimal number for currency

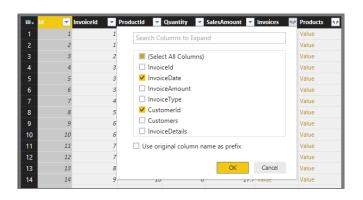
## PurchaseDate	1 <sup>2</sup> <sub>3</sub> Quantity	\$ SalesAmount	\$	ProductCost
1/28/2012	1	2.95	1.2	Decimal Number
1/28/2012	6		\$	Fixed Decimal Number
1/28/2012	1	19.95	1 <sup>2</sup> 3	Whole Number
1/28/2012	5	249.75	<u></u>	Date/Time
1/28/2012	1		<b>.</b>	Date



# **Expanding Related Columns**

- Used to pull data from related tables
  - Saves you from performing SQL joins or VLOOKUP





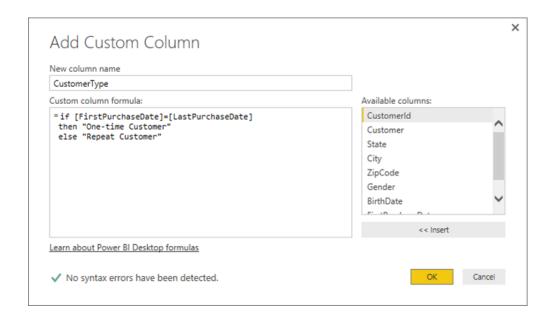




## **Adding a Custom Column**

- Custom column provide custom logic
  - Logic must be written in M programming language



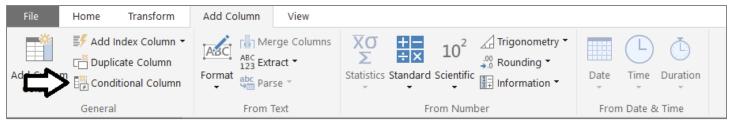


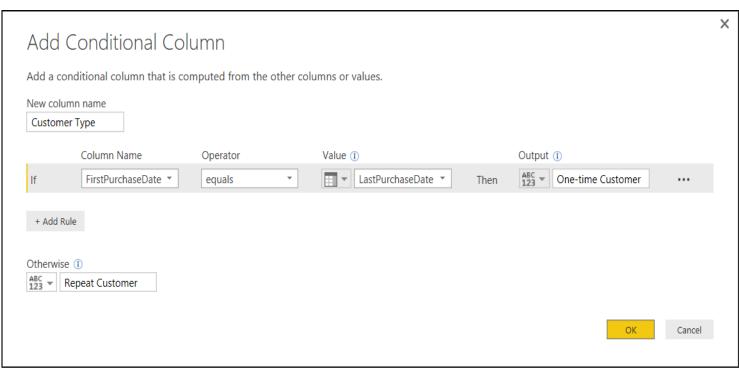
FirstPurchaseDate 🔻	LastPurchaseDate 🔻	CustomerType ~
1/28/2012	1/28/2012	One-time Customer
1/29/2012	11/22/2015	Repeat Customer
1/29/2012	10/2/2015	Repeat Customer
1/29/2012	1/29/2012	One-time Customer
1/29/2012	5/6/2015	Repeat Customer
1/29/2012	1/29/2012	One-time Customer



## **Adding a Conditional Column**

Abstracts away need to write M code







## **Understanding Function Queries**

- Query can be converted into reusable function
  - Requires editing query M code in Advanced Editor
  - Function query can be defined to accept parameters

```
GetExpensesFromFile

(FilePath as text) =>

let
    Source = Csv.Document(Web.Contents(FilePath)
    #"Changed Type" = Table.TransformColumnTypes
```

Function query can't be edited with visual designer



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#### **Table Relationships**

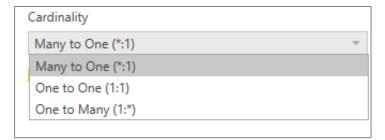
- Tables in data model associated with relationships
  - Relationships based on single columns
  - Tabular model supports [1-to-1] and [1-to-many] relationships



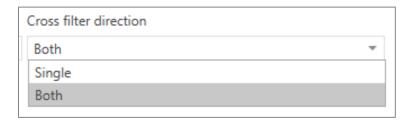


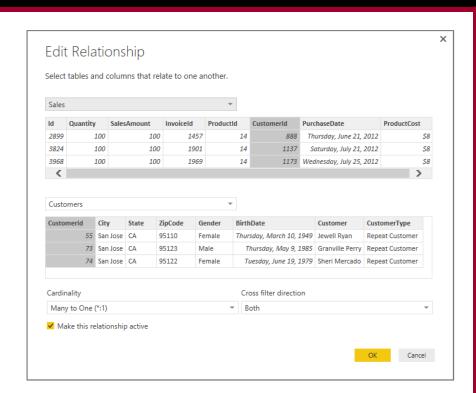
# Relationship Properties

#### Cardinality



#### Cross filter direction

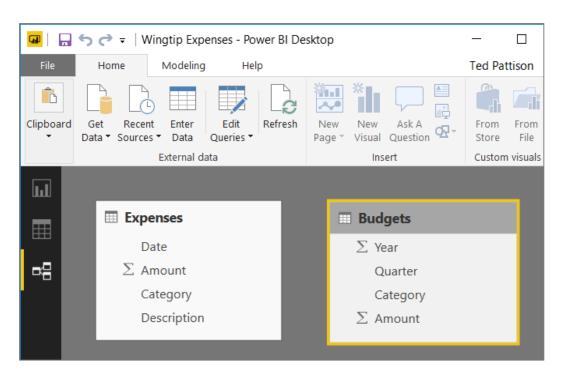






# How Do You Create a Relationship Here?

- Two tables don't have fields to create relationship
  - The solution is to create two new calculated columns



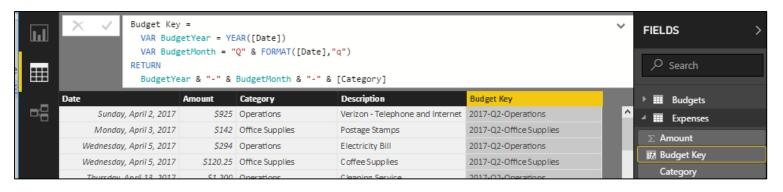


# **Creating Composite Key Fields**

Create composite key column in Budgets

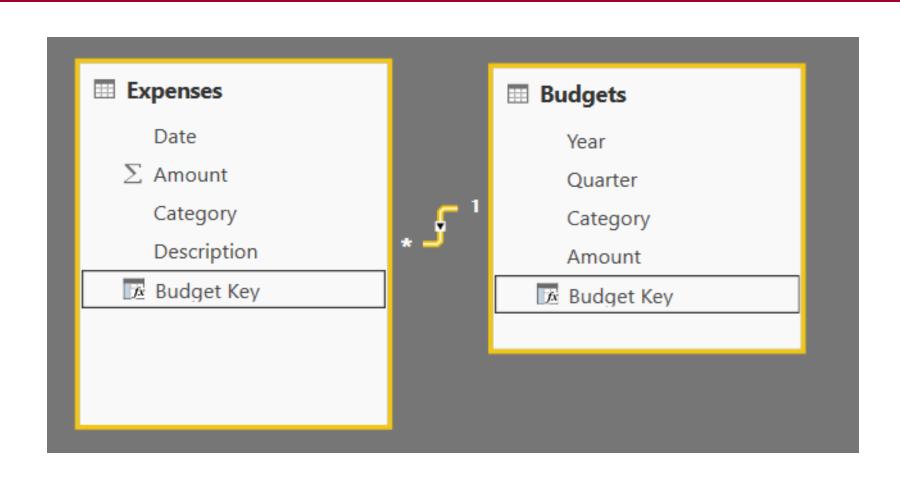


Create composite key column in Expenses





# **Create Relationship Using Composite Keys**





# **Working with DAX**

- DAX is the language used to create data models
  - DAX stands for "Data Analysis Expression Language"
- DAX expressions are similar to Excel formulas
  - They always start with an equal sign (=)
  - DAX provides many built-in functions similar to Excel
- DAX Expressions are unlike Excel formulas...
  - DAX expressions cannot reference cells (e.g. A1 or C4)
  - Instead DAX expressions reference columns and tables

```
=SUM('Sales'[SalesAmount])
```



# **Writing DAX Expressions**

Some DAX expressions are simple

```
Sales Revenue = Sum(Sales[SalesAmount])
```

Some DAX expressions are far more complex

```
Sales Growth PM = IF(
  ( ISFILTERED(Calendar[Month]) && ISFILTERED(Calendar[Date]) = FALSE() ),
  DIVIDE(
   SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -
   CALCULATE(
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    ),
   CALCULATE(
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
  BLANK()
```



# Creating Variables in DAX Expressions

- Variables can be added at start of expression
  - Use VAR keyword once for each variable
  - Use RETURN keyword to return expression value

```
Budget Key =
  VAR BudgetYear = YEAR([Date])
  VAR BudgetMonth = "Q" & FORMAT([Date], "q")
  RETURN
  BudgetYear & "-" & BudgetMonth & "-" & [Category]
```



#### **Calculated Columns vs Measures**

- Calculated Columns (aka Columns)
  - Evaluated based on context of a single row
  - Evaluated when data is loaded into memory

- Measures
  - Evaluated at query time based on current filter context
  - Commonly used for aggregations (e.g. SUM, AVG, etc.)
  - Used more frequently than calculated columns

```
Measure1 = <DAX expression>
```



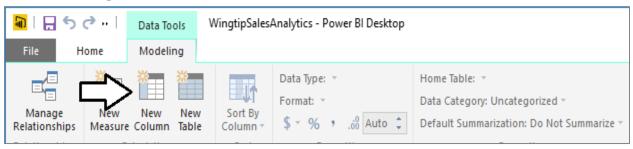
#### When to Create Calculated Columns

- Measures often better choice than calculate columns
  - Don't create calculated column when you need a measure
  - Prefer to create calculated columns only in specific scenarios
- When should you create calculated columns?
  - To create headers for row labels or column labels.
  - To place calculated results in a slicer for filtering
  - Define an expression strictly bound to current row
  - Categories text or numbers (e.g. customer age groups)



## **Creating Calculated Columns**

- Edited in formula bar of Power Pivot data view
  - Start with name and then equals (=) sign
  - Enter a valid DAX expression
  - Clicking on column adds it into expression



<pre> X</pre>												
ld	Quantity	SalesAmount	Invoiceld	ProductId	CustomerId	PurchaseDate	ProductCost	SalesProfit	PurchaseYear			
2899	100	\$100.00	1457	14	888	6/21/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			
3824	100	\$100.00	1901	14	1137	7/21/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			
3968	100	\$100.00	1969	14	1173	7/25/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			
4008	100	\$100.00	1987	14	1186	7/26/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			
4224	100	\$100.00	2096	14	1239	8/3/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			
4724	100	\$100.00	2352	14	1390	8/19/12	\$8.00	\$92.00	2012			

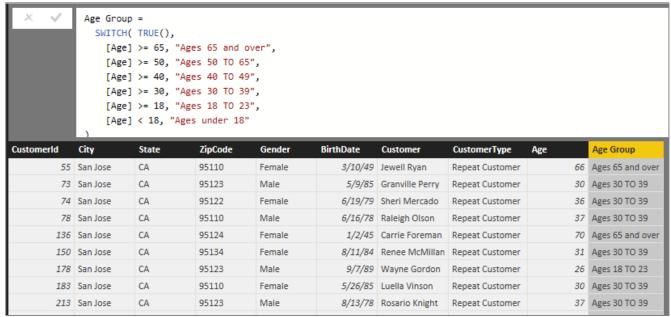


#### **Calculated Column for Customer Age Group**

#### 1. Calculate customer age from birthdate

ш	X 🗸	Age = Floor( (TODAY()-Customers[BirthDate])/365, 1)								
	CustomerId	City	State	ZipCode	Gender	BirthDate	Customer	CustomerType	Age	
	55	San Jose	CA	95110	Female	3/10/49	Jewell Ryan	Repeat Customer		66
_	73	San Jose	CA	95123	Male	5/9/85	Granville Perry	Repeat Customer		30
唱	74	San Jose	CA	95122	Female	6/19/79	Sheri Mercado	Repeat Customer		36
	78	San Jose	CA	95110	Male	6/16/78	Raleigh Olson	Repeat Customer		37
	136	San Jose	CA	95124	Female	1/2/45	Carrie Foreman	Repeat Customer		70
	150	San Jose	CA	95134	Female	8/11/84	Renee McMillan	Repeat Customer		31

#### 2. Calculate age groups using calculated column





#### Calculated Column used in a Slicer

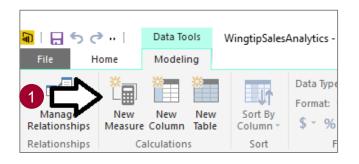
Calculated column can populate slicer values

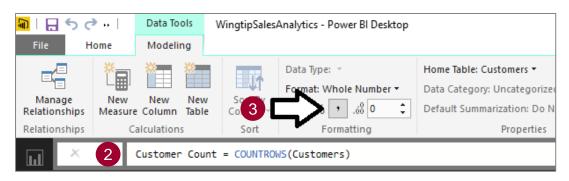




## **Creating Measures**

- Measures have advantage over calculated columns
  - They are evaluated based on the current evaluation context
- Creating a measure with Power BI Desktop
  - Click New Measure button
  - 2. Give measure a name and write DAX expressions
  - 3. Configure formatting

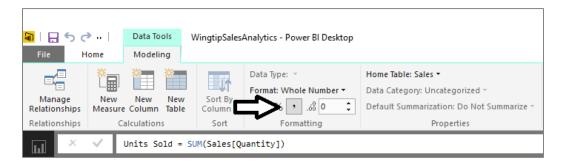




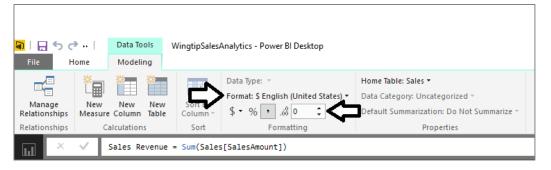


## **Formatting Measures**

Format as whole number



Format as currency





# Working with UNICHAR Characters

- Create a measure to return a single UNICHAR character
  - There are many different UNICHAR characters with symbols

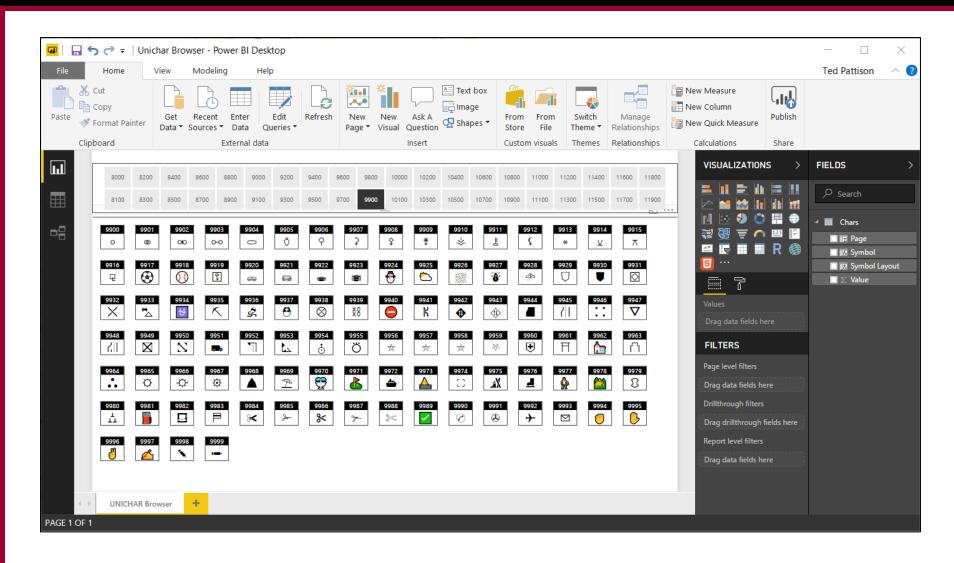
```
Status =
IF(
    [Budget Used] > 1,
    UNICHAR(9940),
    UNICHAR(9989)
)
```

UNICHAR character symbols can be displayed in table or matrix

① 44 (A)	=			
Year	Actual Expenses	Budget	Budget Used	Status
2017	\$85,073.74	\$92,000	92.47%	<b>✓</b>
Q1	\$20,788.42	\$26,000	79.96%	<b>~</b>
Marketing Budget for Q1 of 2017	\$3,780.77	\$5,000	75.62%	<b>~</b>
Office Supplies Budget for Q1 of 2017	\$7,191.65	\$8,000	89.90%	<b>✓</b>
Operations Budget for Q1 of 2017	\$7,446.00	\$8,000	93.08%	~
Research & Development Budget for Q1 of 2017	\$2,370.00	\$5,000	47.40%	~
Q2	\$18,283.31	\$22,000	83.11%	~
Marketing Budget for Q2 of 2017	\$5,769.46	\$6,000	96.16%	~
Office Supplies Budget for Q2 of 2017	\$2,602.85	\$4,000	65.07%	~
Operations Budget for Q2 of 2017	\$7,581.00	\$7,000	108.30%	

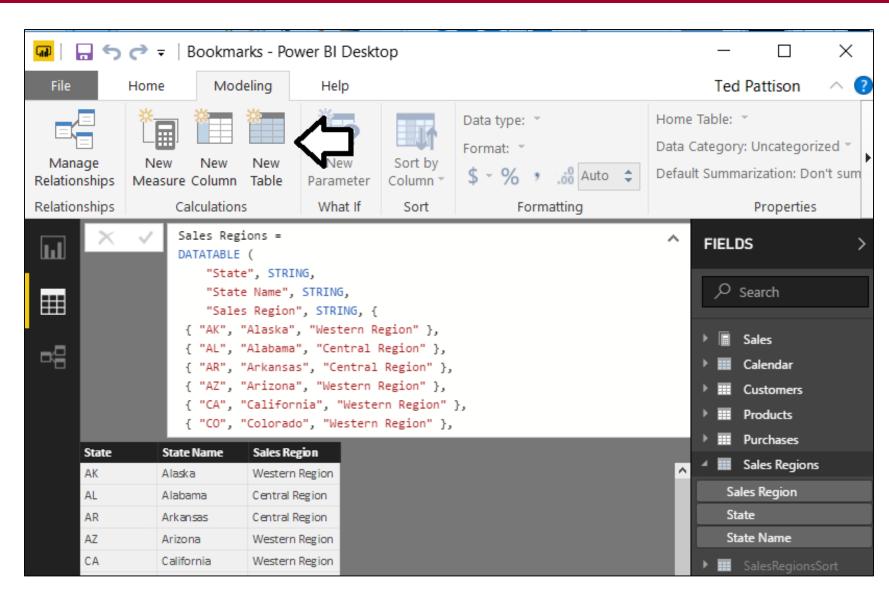


#### **The UNICHAR Browser Demo**





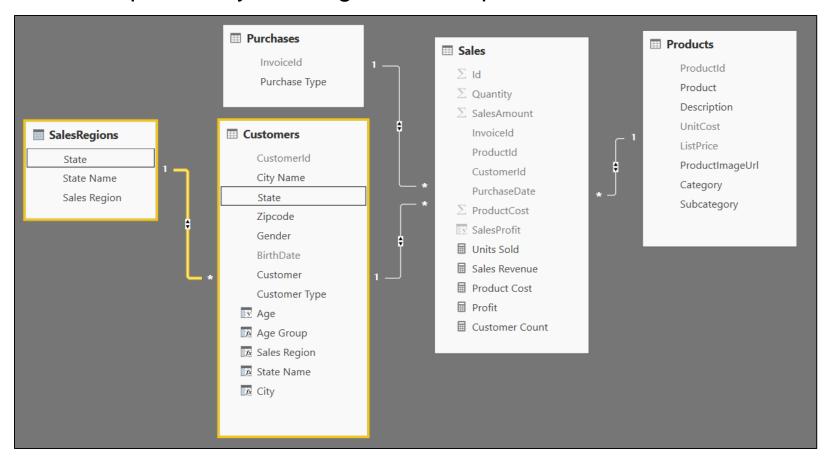
# Creating Tables Dynamically using DAX





#### Integrating the Lookup Table into the Data Model

- Lookup table must be integrated into data model
  - Accomplished by creating relationship to one or more tables





#### **The RELATED Function**

- RELATED function performs cross-table lookup
  - Effectively replaces older VLOOKUP function
  - Used in many-side table to look up value from one-side
  - Used to pull data from lookup table into primary table

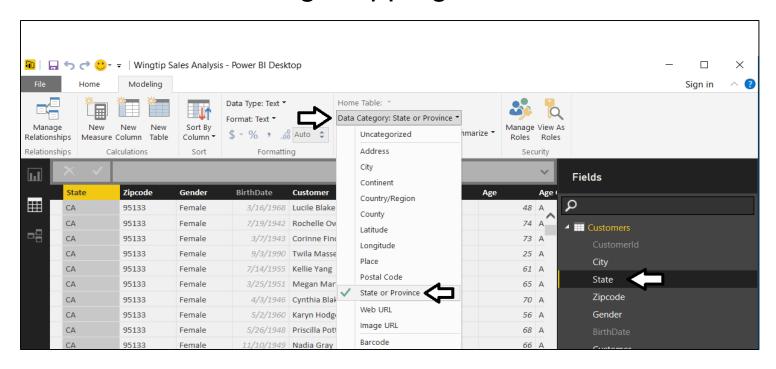
Ш	× ✓	Sales Reg	ion = RELATE	D(SalesRegi	ons[SalesReg	gion])					
	CustomerId	City	State	ZipCode	Gender	BirthDate	Customer	CustomerType	Age	Age Group	Sales Region
	55	San Jose	CA	95110	Female	3/10/49	Jewell Ryan	Repeat Customer	66	Ages 65 and over	Western Region
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## **Geographic Field Metadata**

- Fields in data model have metadata properties
  - Metadata used by visuals and reporting tools
  - Used as hints to Bing Mapping service





# **Eliminate Geographic Ambiguity**

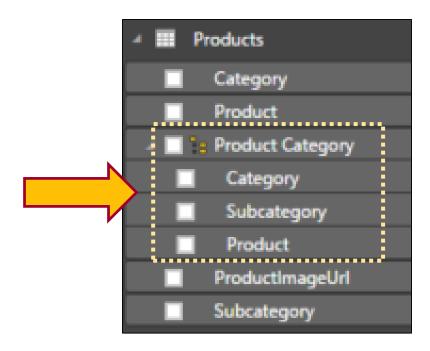
- City name alone is ambiguous
  - "Athens" defaults to Greece not Georgia
  - Concatenate city name with state to disambiguate

>	City = [City Name] & ", " & [State]									
	Age Group	Sales Region	State Name	SalesRegionSort	City					
48	Ages 40 TO 49	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					
74	Ages 65 and over	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					
73	Ages 65 and over	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					
25	Ages 18 TO 23	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					
61	Ages 50 TO 65	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					
65	Ages 65 and over	Western Region	California	1	San Jose, CA					



#### **Dimensional Hierarchies**

- Hierarchy created from two or more columns
  - All columns in hierarchy must be from the same table
  - Defines parent-child relationship between columns
  - Provides path to navigate through data
  - Provides path to drill down into greater level of detail



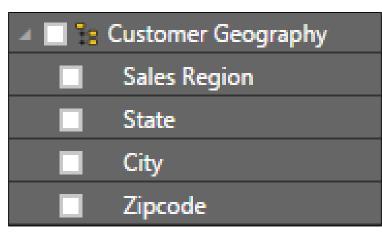


#### **Pulling Columns for Hierarchy into Single Table**

- Sometimes hierarchy columns are spread across tables
  - Use RELATED function from DAX to pull columns into single table

<pre>Sales Region = RELATED(SalesRegions[SalesRegion])</pre>									
Customer		Customer Type	Age	Age Group	Sales Region	State Name			
Luc ile Blake		One-time Customer	48	Ages 40 TO 49	Western Region	California			
Rochelle Owen		One-time Customer	74	Ages 65 and over	Western Region	California			
Corinne Finch		One-time Customer	73	Ages 65 and over	Western Region	California			
Twila Massey		One-time Customer	25	Ages 18 TO 23	Western Region	California			

Then create hierarchy in the table with all the columns





#### **A Tale of Two Evaluation Contexts**

#### Row Context

- Context includes all columns in iteration of current row
- Used to evaluate DAX expression in calculated column
- Only available in measures with iterator function (e.g. SUMX)

#### Filter Context

- Context includes filter(s) defining current set of rows
- Used by default to evaluate DAX expressions in measures
- Can be fully ignored or partially ignored using DAX code
- Not used to evaluate DAX in calculated columns



# **Understanding Row Context**

Row context used to evaluate calculated columns

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#### **Understanding Iterators Like SUMX**

- Standard aggregation functions (e.g. sum) have no row context
  - You can use SUM to sum values of a single column
  - You cannot use SUM to sum results of an expressions

```
Gross Margin = SUM( Sales[SalesAmount]-Sales[ProductCost] )

The SUM function only accepts a column reference as an argument.
```

Iterator functions (e.g. SUMX) iterate through rows in target table

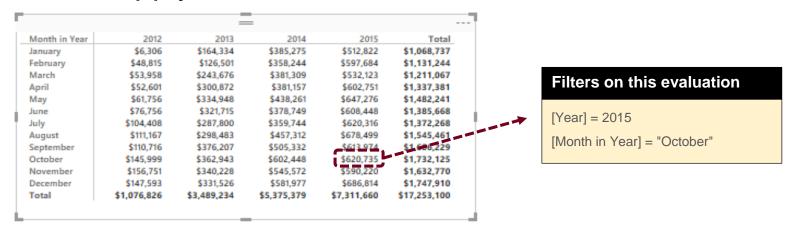
```
X ✓ Gross Margin = SUMX(Sales, Sales[SalesAmount]-Sales[ProductCost] )
```

- First argument accepts expressions that evaluates to table of rows
- Second argument accepts expression that is evaluated for each row



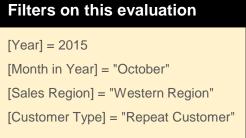
# **Understanding Filter Context**

Visuals apply various filters in different evaluation contexts



Filter context also affected by slicers and other filters







# **Using the CALCULATE Function**

- CALCULATE function provides greatest amount of control
  - First argument defines expression to evaluate
  - Second argument defines table on which to evaluate expression
  - You can evaluate expressions with or without current filter context

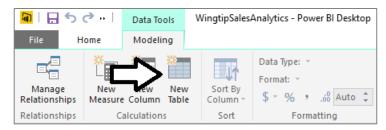
```
Pct of All Products =
DIVIDE(
    SUM( Sales[SalesAmount] ),
    CALCULATE(
        Sum (Sales[SalesAmount] ),
        ALL(Products[Category], Products[Subcategory], Products[Product])
    )
)
```

```
Pct of Product Category =
DIVIDE(
    SUM( Sales[SalesAmount] ),
    CALCULATE(
        Sum (Sales[SalesAmount] ),
        ALL( Products[Subcategory], Products[Product] )
    )
)
```

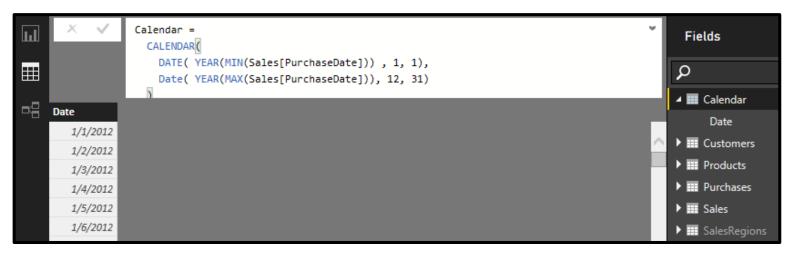


#### Creating Calendar Table as Calculated Table

Use New Table command in ribbon



Create calendar table using DAX CALENDAR function





## **Adding Columns to Calendar Table**

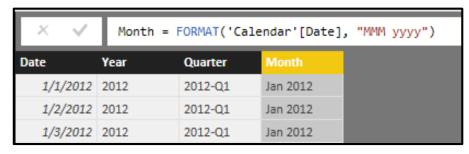
Creating the Year column



Creating the Quarter column



Creating the Month column



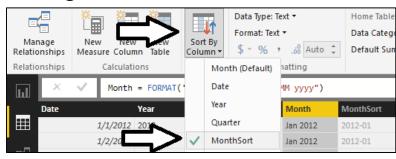


## **Configuring Sort Columns**

- Month column will not sort in desired fashion by default
  - For example, April will sort before January, February and March
- Creating a sort column for the Month column
  - MonthSort sorts alphabetically & chronologically at same time

× •	MonthSor	MonthSort = FORMAT('Calendar'[Date], "yyyy-MM"					
Date	Year	Quarter	Month	MonthSort			
1/1/2012	2012	2012-Q1	Jan 2012	2012-01			
1/2/2012	2012	2012-Q1	Jan 2012	2012-01			

Configure Month column with MonthSort as sort column





## Columns for Month in Year and Day in week

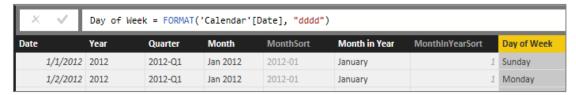
Creating the Month in Year column



Creating the MonthlnYearSort column



Creating the Day of Week column



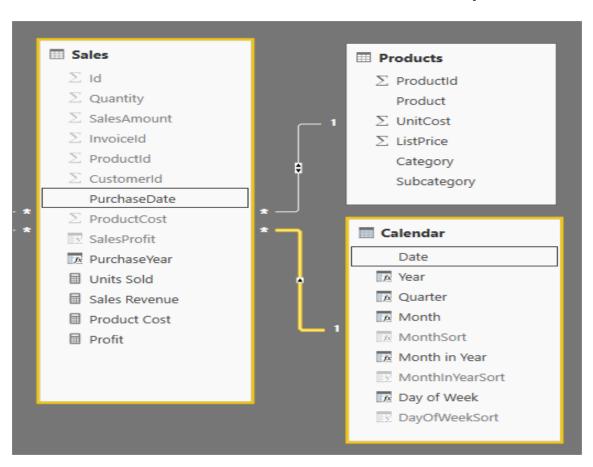
Creating the DayOfWeekSort column





# Integrating Calendar Table into Data Model

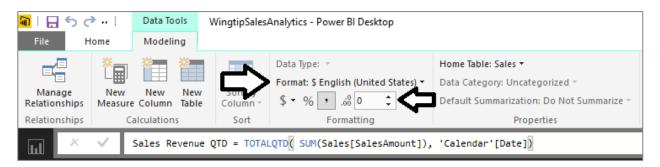
Calendar table needs relationship to one or more tables



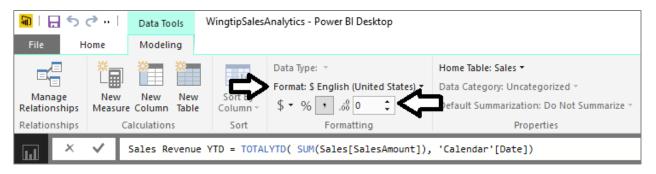


#### Calculated Fields for QTD and YTD Sales

TOTALQTD function calculates quarter-to-date totals



TOTALYTD function calculates year-to-date totals





# Creating Running Total using CALCULATE

- Calculate a running total of sales revenue across years
  - This must be done using CALCULATE function

```
Data Type: "
                                                  Format: $ English (United States) *
  Manage
                New
                               New
                                        Sort By
              Measure Column Table
Relationships
                                       Column ▼
Relationships
                    Calculations
                                         Sort
                                                            Formatting
                     Sales Revenue RT =
1.1
                     CALCULATE(
                          SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
FILTER(
                              ALL('Calendar'),
唱
                              'Calendar'[Date] <= MAX('Calendar'[Date])
```



# Sales Growth PM Measure - First Attempt

Create a measure named Sales Growth PM

```
Sales Growth PM =
DIVIDE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -
    CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
    PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
),
    CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
    PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
)
)
```

- Use measure in matrix evaluating month and quarter
  - Measure returns correct value when filtered by Month
  - Measure returns large, erroneous value when filtered by Quarter

				=	
Year	Quarter	Month	Sales Revenue	Sales Growth PM	
2014	2014-Q1	Jan 2014	\$629,969	-18.13 %	
		Feb 2014	\$609,637	-3.23 %	
		Mar 2014	\$628,618	3.11 %	4
		Total	\$1,868,225	142.79 %	$\langle \Box$
	2014-Q2	Apr 2014	\$661,588	5.24 %	4
		May 2014	\$748,193	13.09 %	
		Jun 2014	\$814,333	8.84 %	4
		Total	\$2,224,114	253.81 %	$\langle \neg$
	2014-Q3	Jul 2014	\$788,469	-3.18 %	7



# Using the ISFILTERED Function

ISFILTERED function used to determine when perform evaluation

```
Sales Growth PM =
IF(
    ( ISFILTERED(Calendar[Month]) && NOT(ISFILTERED(Calendar[Date])) ),
    DIVIDE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -
        CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
        PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    ),
        CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
        PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    ),
        PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    ),
    BLANK()
)
```

Expression returns Blank value when evaluation context is invalid

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## **Query Parameters**

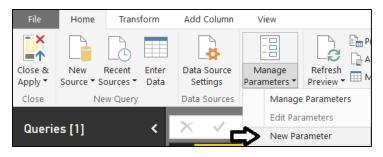
- What is a Query Parameter?
  - Configurable setting with project scope
  - Strongly-typed value to which you can apply restrictions
  - Can be referenced from a query
  - Can be referenced from DAX code in data model

- Where are Parameters commonly used
  - To parameterize data source connection details
  - To filter rows when importing data

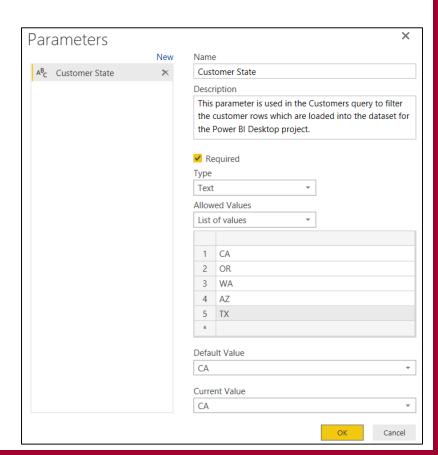


# **Creating Query Parameters**

Parameters can be created using Manager Parameters menu

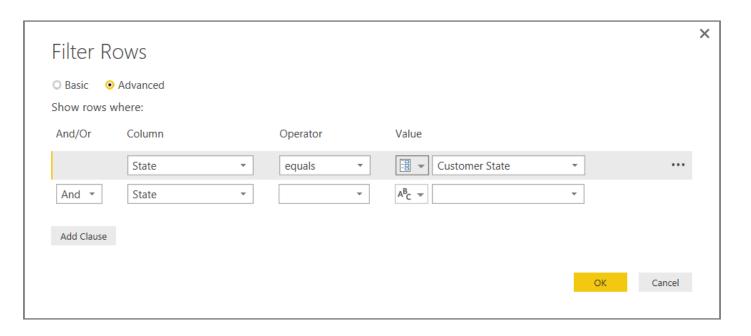


- Parameter properties
  - Name
  - Description
  - Required
  - Allowed Values
  - Default Value
  - Current Value



# Referencing Parameters in a Query

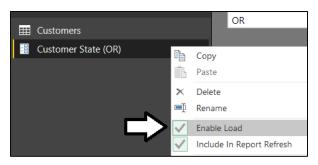
- Parameters can be referenced inside query
  - Next query execution uses current parameter value



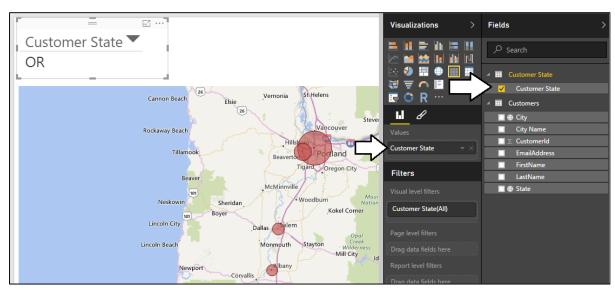


#### **Making Parameters Available to Data Model**

Configure parameter's Enable Load setting



Parameter becomes visible within fields list in report view





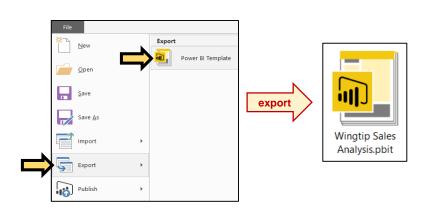
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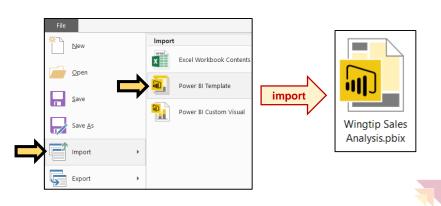
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## **Power BI Project Template Files**

- PBIX project can be exported to project template file
  - Template file created with PBIT file extension
  - Generated template files contains everything except for the data
  - PBIT template file can be imported to create new PBIX projects
  - Template files are powerful when used together with parameters
- How are template files used?
  - Export PBIX project to create a PBIT template file
  - Import the PBIT template file to create a new PBIX project





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