DAX introduction



Agenda

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Evaluation contexts and relationships
Iterators

Querying tabular and table functions Advanced Filter context Advanced relationship (M2M) Use Cases Links (Patterns) / DAX 2016 M language



DAX Basics



What is DAX?

• Data Analysis Expressions (DAX) language is a formula language that allows users to define custom calculations in calculated columns and measures

• DAX is used for tabular models (Power Pivot, SSAS, Power BI)

- Similar to Excel programming
- New concepts : evaluation contexts



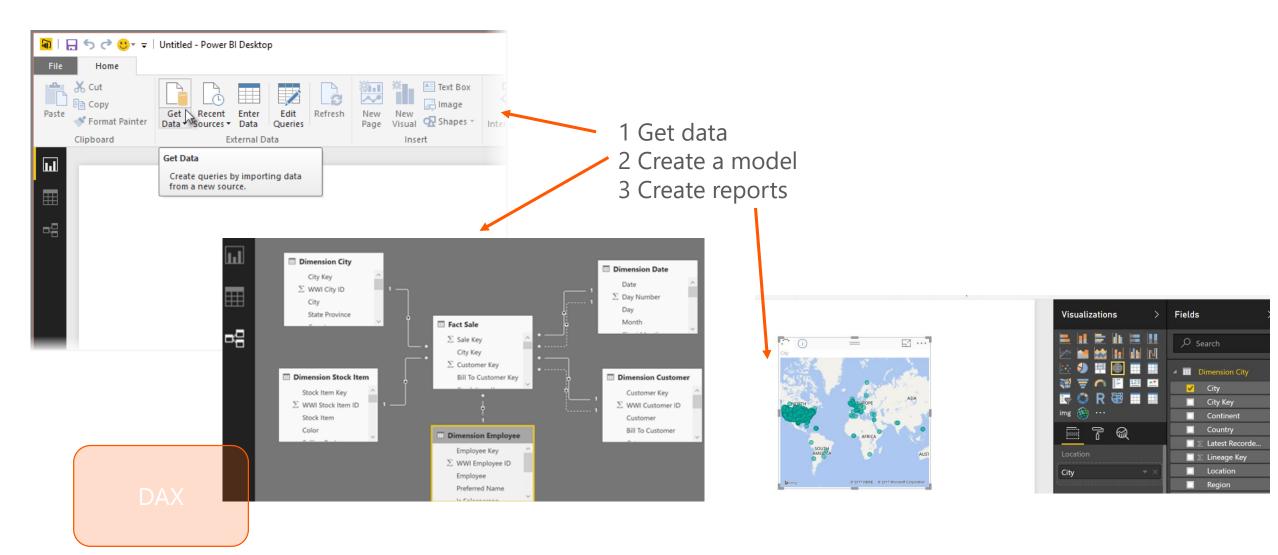
Formula Language

• DAX looks like that:

```
SalesOfCar :=
CALCULATE (
        SUM (Sales[Amount]) ,
        Product[Category] = "Car"
)
```



DAX & Power BI



DAX Types

- Numeric types
 - Integer (64 bit)
 - Decimal (floating point)
 - Currency (money)
 - Date (DateTime)
 - TRUE / FALSE (Boolean)
- Other types
 - String
 - Binary Objects



DAX Syntax

- Table names must be unique within the database.
- Table names must be enclosed in single quotation marks if they contain spaces, other special characters or any non-English alphanumeric characters

```
Customer[Name] or 'Product Category' [Name]
```

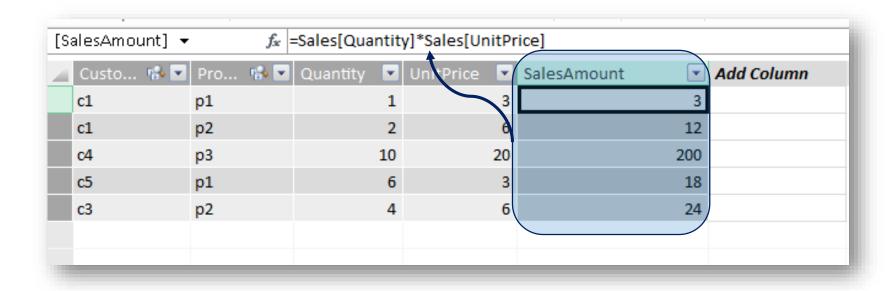
- Measure names must always be in brackets
- Measure names can contain spaces
- Each measure name must be unique within a database

```
Sales[Amount] or [Amount]
```



Calculated columns

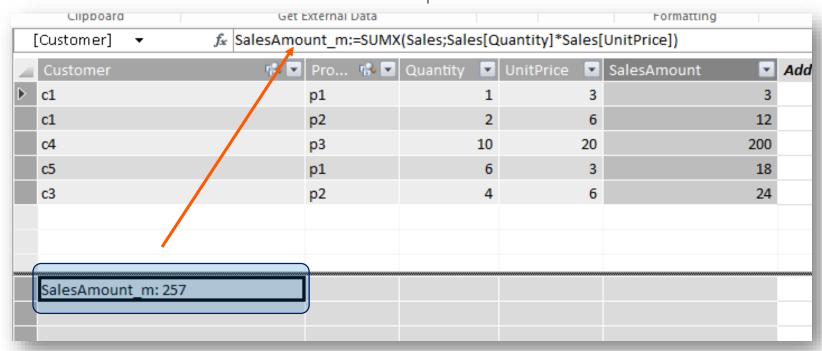
- Always computed for the current row
- Linked to a specific table





Measures

- Are not linked to a specific table
- Use tables and aggregators
- Do not have the «current row» concept





Measures vs Calculated Columns

- Use a column when
 - Need to slice or filter on the value
- Use a measure
 - Calculate percentages / ratios
 - Need complex aggregations
- Space and CPU usage
 - Columns consume memory = stored in data model
 - Measures consume CPU = calculated on the fly



Aggregation Functions

- Classical aggregation functions
 - SUM
 - AVERAGE
 - MIN
 - MAX
- Iterative equivalent, to calculate row by row:
 - SUMX, AVERAGEX, MINX, MAXX

```
SUMX (
Sales,
Sales[UnitPrice] * Sales[Quantity]
)
```



Functions

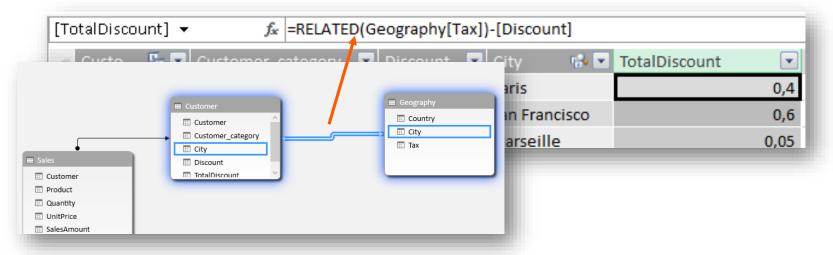
- Counting Values
- Mathematical Functions
- DIVIDE
- Error handling
- Logical Functions
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DAX Function Reference



Relational Functions

This functions work with relationship



RELATED

Returns column from an associated table

RELATEDTABLE

Returns an associated table



Exercices



1. Data Presentation

2. Model Presentation

3. Calculated Columns and Measures

- Create a SalesAmount calculated column (quantity*price)
- Create a TotalSales Measure (using the previously created SalesAmount calculated column)

4. The **«X»** Aggregation Functions

- Modify the TotalSales measure avoiding the use of the Sales Amount calculated column

5. Relationnal Functions

- Create a DiscountedUnitPrice calculated column

TIP: as the Discount information is in the Customer table, you should consider using the RELATED function



Table Functions



Table Functions

- Allow you to create subsets of data
- Basic Functions:
 - ALL
 - VALUES
 - FILTER
 - DISTINCT
 - RELATEDTABLE

Each one requires a table Each one returns a table

- Often used as a parameter in other functions.
 - → Table functions can be used in Table functions!



FILTER

- Used to filter a table
- Returns a table with a restricted number of rows according to a condition (Expression)
- Inputs are one table and one expression



ALL

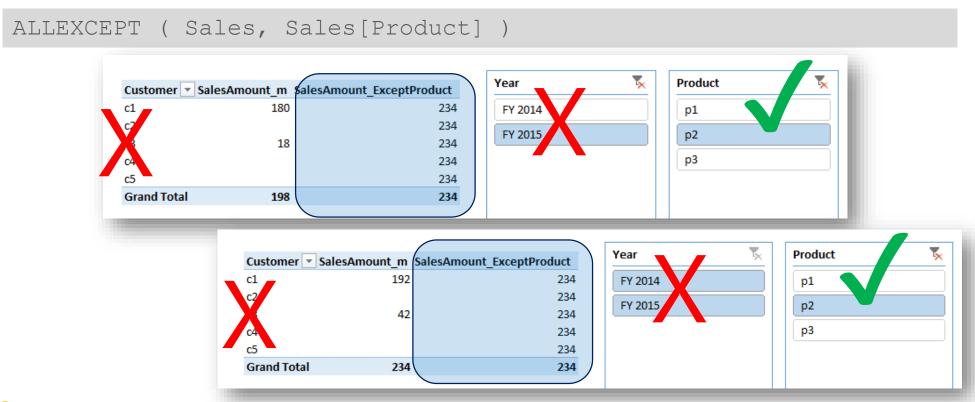
- Returns all rows of the input table
- Ignores the filter context
- ALL is useful for clearing filters and creating calculations on all the rows in a table
- ALL can be used with a single column to return all the values from this column

```
FILTER ( ALL ( Table ), Condition )
```



ALLEXCEPT

 Removes all context filters in the table except filters that have been applied to the specified columns





Counting different values

(C_DISTINCT C_VALUE	s c_	ALL C_A	ALLNONBLANK							
p1	1	1	4	3							
p2	1	1	4	3							
p3	1	1	4	3							
(blank)		1	4	3							
Grand To	al 3	4	4	3							
C_DISTINCT:=COUNTROWS(DISTINCT(Product[Product])) OU C_DISTINCT:=DISTINCTCOUNT(Product[Product											
C_VALUES:=COUNTROWS(VALUES(Product[Product]))											
C_ALL:=COUNTROWS(ALL(Product[Product]))											
C_ALLNONBLANK:=COUNTROWS(ALLNOBLANKROW(Product[Product]))											

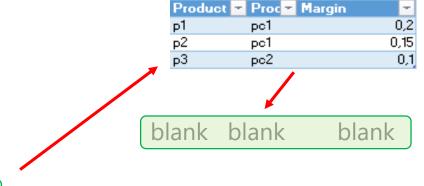
- Let us show you why...
- (BLANK) ?



Counting different values

When your Sales table refers to an unknown product in Product table,
 DAX creates a blank row in the referred table.







Exercices



1. COUNTROWS

- Create a measure that count sales and use it in a PivotTable to report sales by customer

... FILTER & COUNTROWS

- Create a measure that count only sales with quantity>5 and use it in a PivotTable to report sales with quantity>5 by customer

2. RELATEDTABLE

- Create a measure that count the number of product that have never been sold



Evaluation Contexts



Evaluation contexts

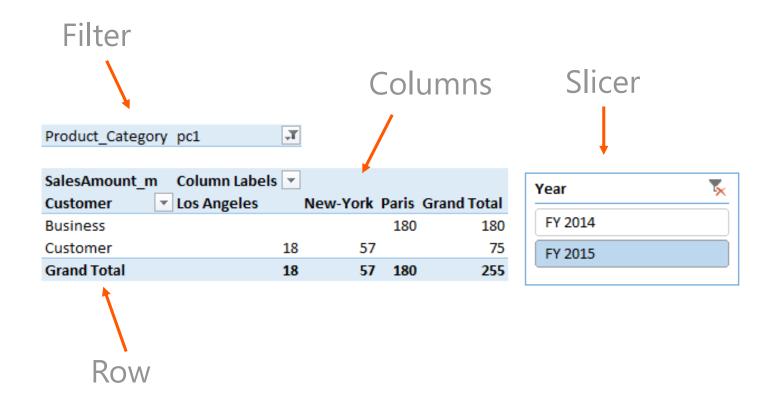
Customer	SalesAmount_m
c1	195
c3	42
c4	440
c5	75
Grand Tota	l 752

The measure is calculated for each Customer.

The value of the measure depends on the context.

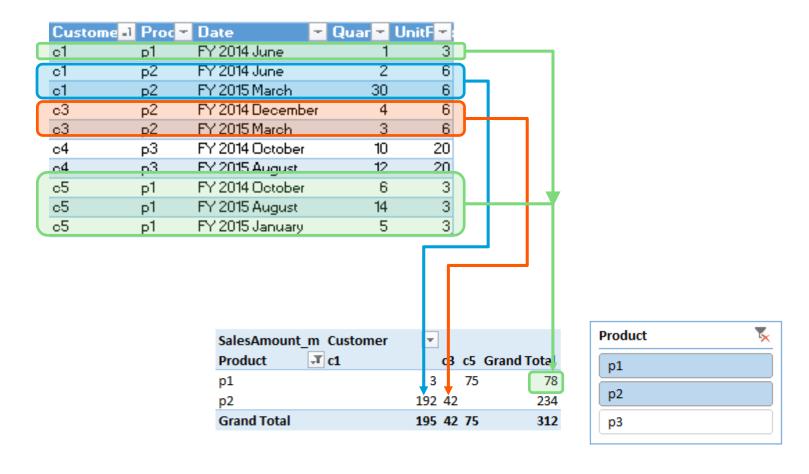


Evaluation context sources





Evaluation context explanation





Filter & Row context

Filter context

- Filter context defined by:
 - Row
 - Column
 - Filters
 - Slicers

With PivotTable or functions!

- Rows outside the filter context are ignored

Row context

- Row context defined by:
 - Calculated column definition
 - Iteration functions («X»)
- Simply the current row!



Classical context error

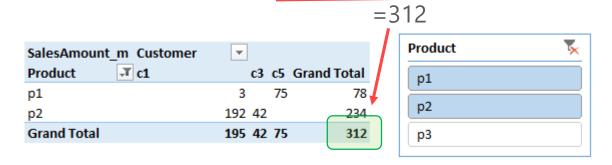
=Sales[Quantity] *Sales[UnitPrice]

- In a calculated column: OK because of the row context
- In a measure: KO!
 - → Can't be determined in the current context
 - → You have to use an iteration function ("X") to create a row context



Evaluation contexts

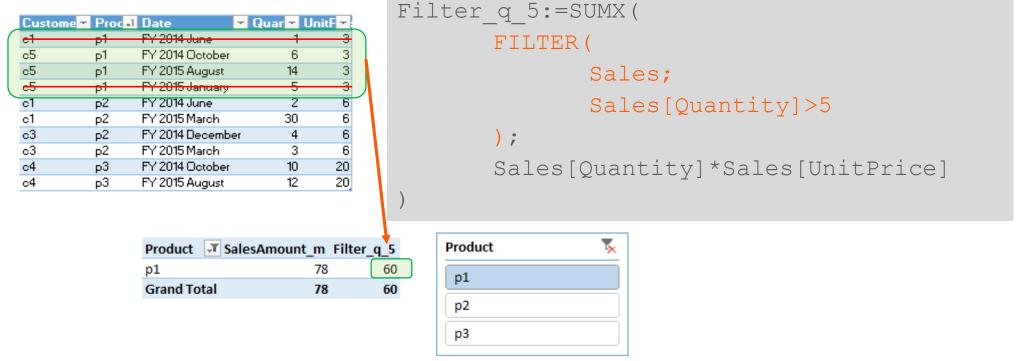
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c1	р1	FY 2014 June	1	3	→1x3	=3
c1	p2	FY 2014 June	2	6		=12
c1	p2	FY 2015 March	30	6	2 x6	
c3	р2	FY 2014 December	er 4	6	30x6	=180
c3	p2	FY 2015 March	3	6		
c4	р3	FY 2014 October	10	20	• • •	• • •
c4	p3	FY 2015 August	12	20		
c5	p1	FY 2014 October	6	3		
c5	p1	FY 2015 August	14	3	•••	• • •
c5	p1	FY 2015 January	5	3		





Modifying the evaluation context

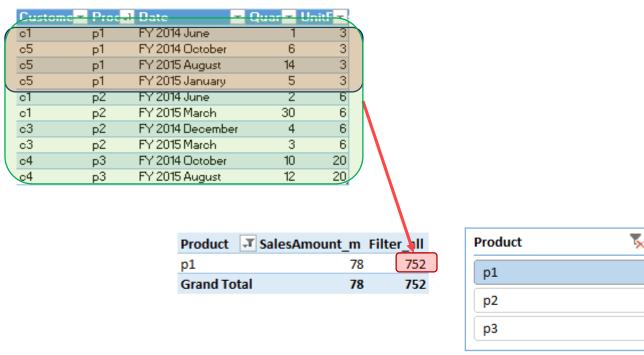
- You can modify the evaluation context in two ways:
 - Using the PivotTable (already demonstrated)
 - With formulas:





Modifying the evaluation context

```
Filter_all:=SUMX(
         ALL(Sales);
         Sales[Quantity]*Sales[UnitPrice]
)
```





More about Evaluation Context

https://www.sqlbi.com/articles/row-context-and-filter-context-in-dax/



CALCULATE Function



CALCULATE

Evaluates an expression in a context that is modified by the specified filters

```
=CALCULATE(<expression>;<Filter1>;<Filter2>;...)
```

```
SalesAmount_gt10:=
CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
    Sales[Quantity]>10
)
```



CALCULATE- Filter

• Filters in CALCULATE are transformed in a complete FILTER function

```
SalesAmount_gt10:=
CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
    Sales[Quantity]>10
)
```



```
SalesAmount_gt10:=
CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
    FILTER(ALL(Sales);Sales[Quantity]>10)
)
```



CALCULATE – Removing filters

• You can remove a filter on Customer to calculate the total for all the customers.

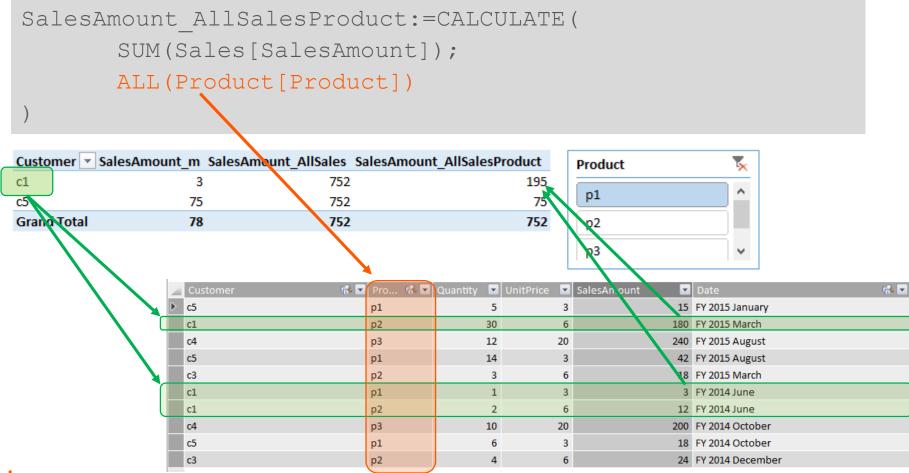
```
SalesAmount_AllCust:=CALCULATE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
    ALL(Customer)
)
```

Customer	SalesAmount_m SalesAmo	ount_AllCust
■ FY 2014	57	57
c1	15	57
c2		57
c3	24	57
c4		57
c5	18	57
■ FY 2015	255	255
c1	180	255
c2		255
c3	18	255
c4		255
c5	57	255
Grand Total	312	312



CALCULATE – Removing filters

 Specifying a column in the ALL function, you'll remove the filter on this column but keep the other filters.



CALCULATE – Removing filters use case

• You need to calculate a ratio over the total sales.

Customer	*	SalesAmount_m	Ratio_tot
c1		195	25,93%
c3		42	5,59%
c4		440	58,51%
c5		75	9,97%
Grand Tota	al	752	100,00%

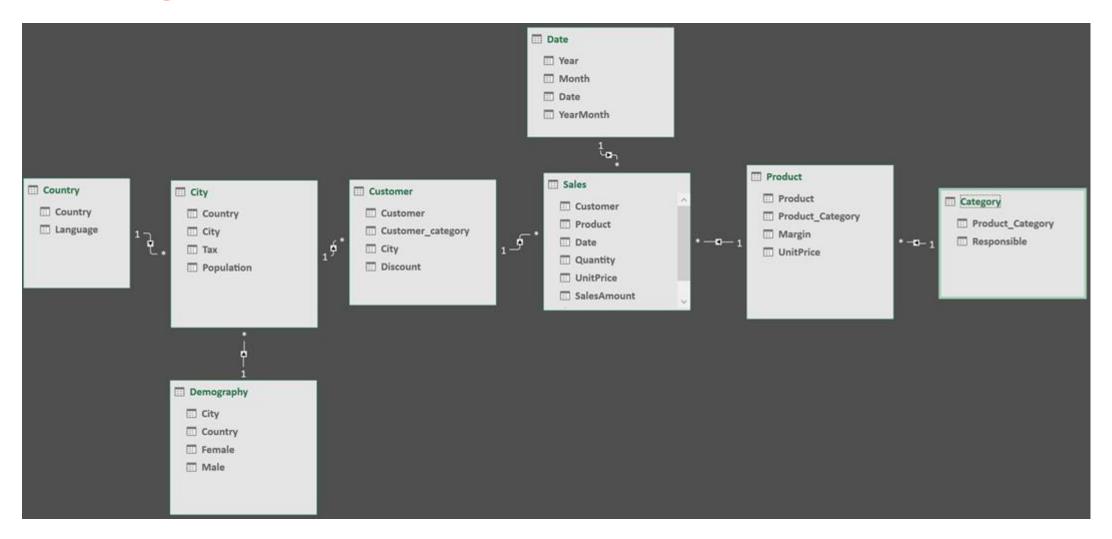
```
Ratio_tot:=
DIVIDE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
    CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        ALL(Sales)
    )
)
```



Evaluation Contexts and Relationships



Starting from this model





Row context

The row context doesn't propagate over relationships!



```
My_calculate_column=
Sales[UnitPrice] * (1-Customer[Discount])
```

→ RELATED function

```
/
```

```
My_calculate_column=
Sales[UnitPrice] * (1-RELATED (Customer[Discount]))
```

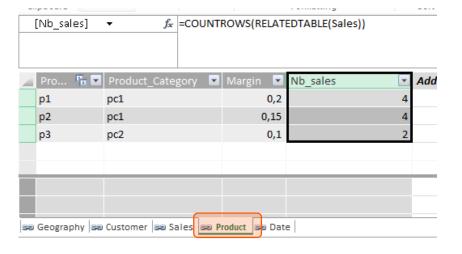
 RELATED opens a row context on the other table following the relationship.



Row context

RELATEDTABLE returns only the related rows of the parameter table

```
Nb_sales=
COUNTROWS (RELATEDTABLE (Sales) )
```

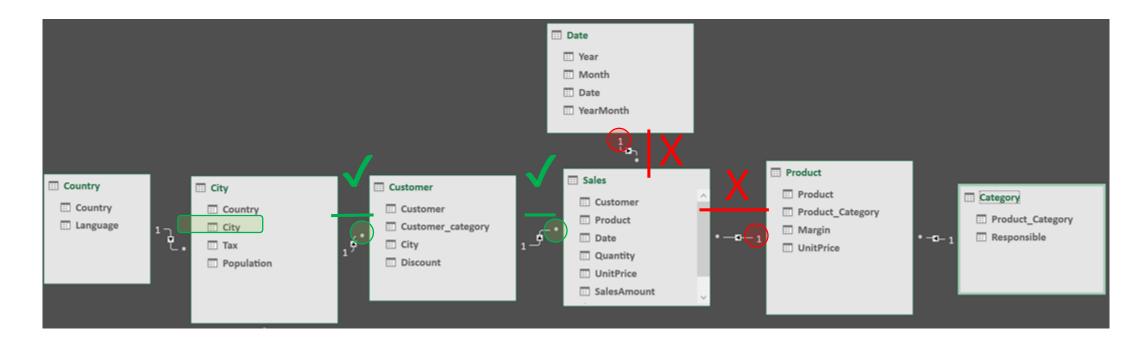


→ Number of sales per product



Filter context

The filter context is propagated trough relationships



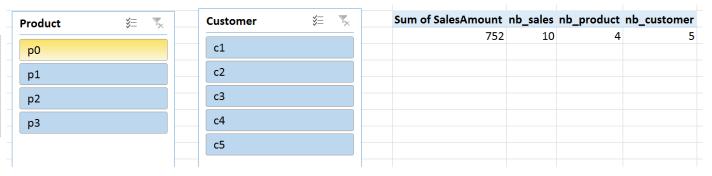
Filter context propagated to Sales, not to Date & Product

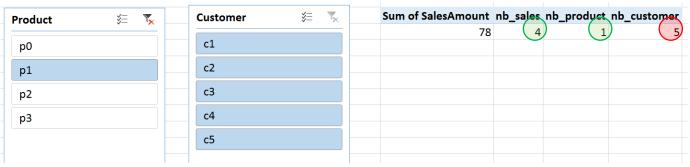
- → Unidirectional
- → Possibility to configure multi-direction



Filter context

```
nb_product:=COUNTROWS('Product')
nb_sales:=COUNTROWS(Sales)
nb_customer:=COUNTROWS(Customer)
```





→ Slicer may vary depending on pivot table!





Filter context

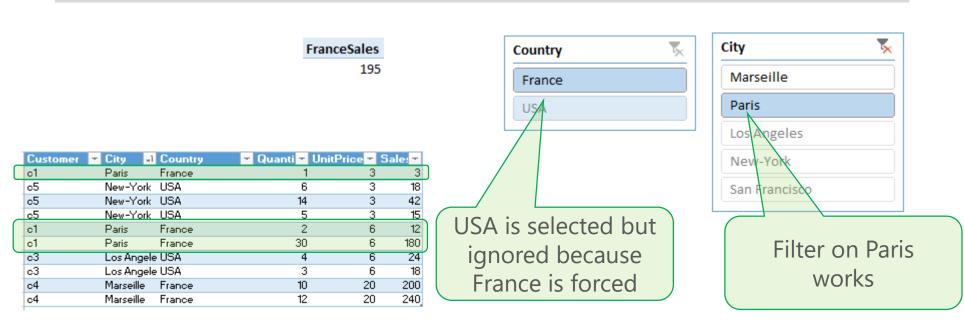
CALCULATE – SUMX & RELATED filter condition





CALCULATE – filter context modification

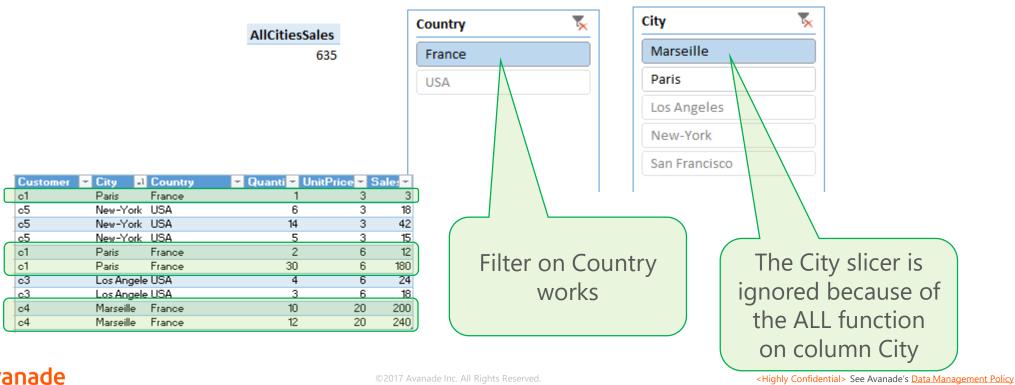
```
FranceSales:=
CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        Country[Country]="France"
)
```





CALCULATE – filter context modification

```
AllCitiesSales:=
CALCULATE (
       SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
      ALL(City[City])
```



CALCULATE – filter context modification

```
AllCitySales:=
CALCULATE(
         SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
         ALL(City)
)
```

AllGeographySales 752

Customer	- City -	Country	- Quanti -	UnitPrice 🕶	Sale:
c1	Paris	France	1	3	3
c5	New-York	USA	6	3	18
c5	New-York	USA	14	3	42
c5	New-York	USA	5	3	15
c1	Paris	France	2	6	12
c1	Paris	France	30	6	180
c3	Los Angel	e USA	4	6	24
c3	Los Angel	e USA	3	6	18
c4	Marseille	France	10	20	200
c4	Marseille	France	12	20	240



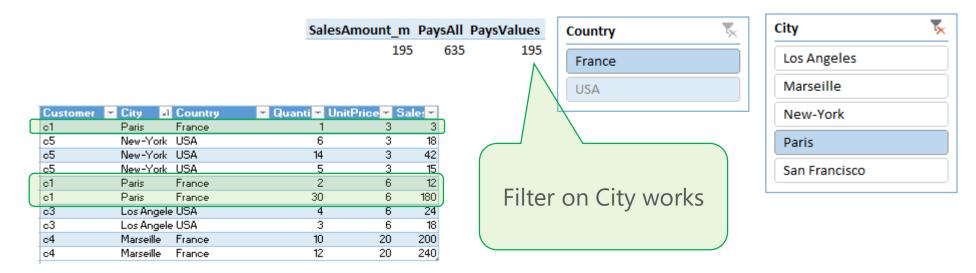


CALCULATE – Filter equivalence

```
CountryAll:=
CALCULATE (
       SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
       or(
               City[City]="Paris";
               City[City]="Marseille"
CountryAll:=
CALCULATE (
       SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
       FILTER (
               ALL(City[City]);
       OR (
               City[City]="Paris";
               City [City]="Marseille"
```



CALCULATE – Filter in current selection





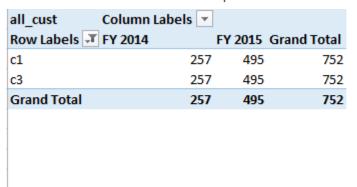
CALCULATE – Filter in current selection

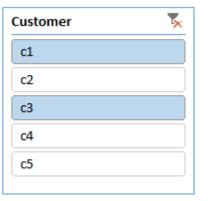
```
PaysValues:=
CALCULATE (
       SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
       or(
                City[City]="Paris";
                City[City]="Marseille"
        );
       VALUES(City[City])
PaysValues:=
CALCULATE (
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        FILTER (
                VALUES(City[City]);
       OR (
                City[City]="Paris";
                City[City]="Marseille"
    ) )
```



CALCULATE – ALL vs ALLSELECTED

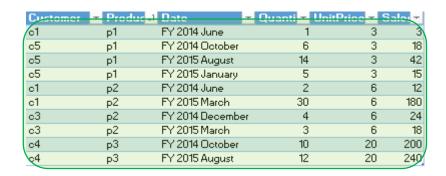
- ALL → Removes the filter
- ALLSELECTED → Keeps the filter





Filter is useless

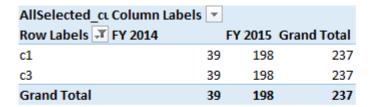
```
All_customer:=
CALCULATE(
          SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
          ALL(Customer[Customer])
)
```





CALCULATE – ALL vs ALLSELECTED

- ALL → Removes all the filter
- ALLSELECTED → Keeps the explicit filters (slicer, filter)





Filter is maintained but each row displays the selected total

```
AllSelected_customer:=
CALCULATE(
          SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
          ALLSELECTED(Customer[Customer])
)
```

Customer	→ Produc -1	Date	- Quanti -	UnitPrice <u>▼</u>	Sale: =
c1	p1	FY 2014 June	1	3	3
c5	р1	FY 2014 October	6	3	18
c5	p1	FY 2015 August	14	3	42
c5	p1	FY 2015 January	5	3	15
c1	p2	FY 2014 June	2	6	12
c1	p2	FY 2015 March	30	6	180
c3	p2	FY 2014 Decembe	r 4	6	24
c3	p2	FY 2015 March	3	6	18
c4	р3	FY 2014 October	10	20	200
c4	р3	FY 2015 August	12	20	240

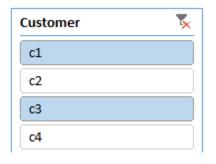
Useful to compute ratio over a selection



CALCULATE – ALL vs ALLSELECTED

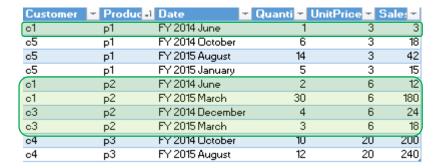
- ALL → Removes the filter
- ALLSELECTED → Keeps the filter
 - → Removes rows and columns context

AllSelected Column Labels ▼				
Row Labels FY 2014		FY 2015	Grand Total	
c1	237	237	237	
c3	237	237	237	
Grand Total	237	237	237	



Filter is maintained but ALLSELECTED is applied on all tables

```
AllSelected:=
CALCULATE(
         SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
         ALLSELECTED()
)
```





Exercices: Evaluation context / Calculate



1. Calculate sales for PC1 and others (2 measures to create)

- Using SUMX AND RELATED
- Then Using CALCULATE

2. CALCULATE & ALL:

- Calculate Sales ratio per customer
- Then do it keeping Slicer values

Customer 💌	SalesAmount_m	Ratio_tot
c1	195	25,93%
c3	42	5,59%
c4	440	58,51%
c5	75	9,97%

City

FY 2014

FY 2015

Grand Total

Grand Total

▼ salesPC1 sales_other PC

200

240

440

752 100,00%

57

255

312

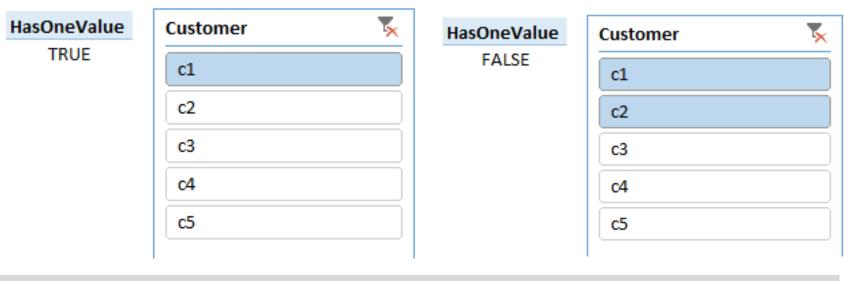
3. Understanding CALCULATE

Sales for product category « pc1 » : what's wrong? Using VALUES to solve the problem



HASONEVALUE

 Returns TRUE when the context for columnName has been filtered down to one distinct value only. Otherwise is FALSE





ΙF

• Checks if a condition provided as the first argument is met. Returns one value if the condition is TRUE, and returns another value if the condition is FALSE.

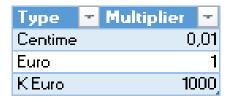
```
IF(
      logical test>,
      <value if true>,
      value if false
= if (
       Sales[Product]="p1";
       "p1";
       "OTHER"
```



Exercices : Parameter Table



1. Create a parameter table:



2. Add it to the PowerPivot model and rename the table « Multiplier »

3. Create a mesure named « ShowAs » which allows you to change the unit.

City	ShowAS
FY 2014	257
FY 2015	495
Grand Tota	al 752



City	ShowAS
FY 2014	0,257
FY 2015	0,495
Grand Tota	al 0,752





Iterators



Presentation

 Iterators functions return the result of an expression evaluated for each row in a table

- Iterators function
 - MAXX
 - MINX
 - AVERAGEX
 - SUMX
 - → And more with DAX 2016



MAXX

→ Semantic error : The MAX function only accepts a column reference as an argument



Average

An example : calculating the average basket

```
Average_basket:=
DIVIDE (
        SUMX( Sales; Sales[Quantity]*Sales[UnitPrice] ) ;
        COUNTROWS( Sales )
)
```

```
Average_basket:= AVERAGEX(Sales; Sales[SalesAmount])
```

Another example : calculating the average sales per product



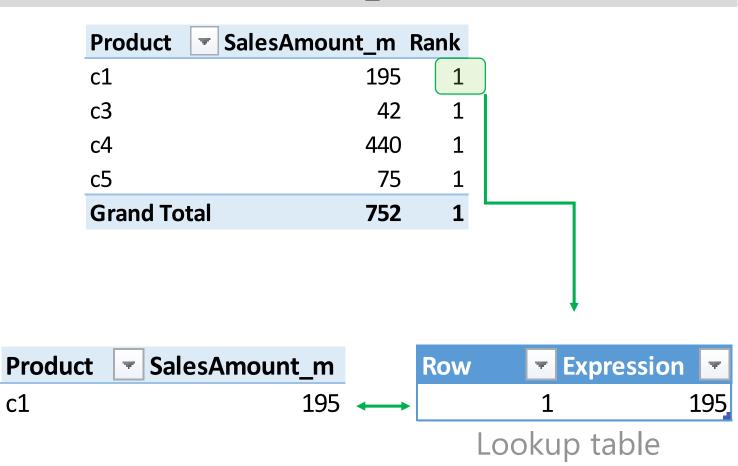
 Returns the ranking of a number in a list of numbers for each row in the table argument

```
RANKX(; <expression>)
```

- Looks like it is easy, but there are some pitfall to avoid...
- RANKX builds a Lookup table with expression computed and return rank by using the position in this table



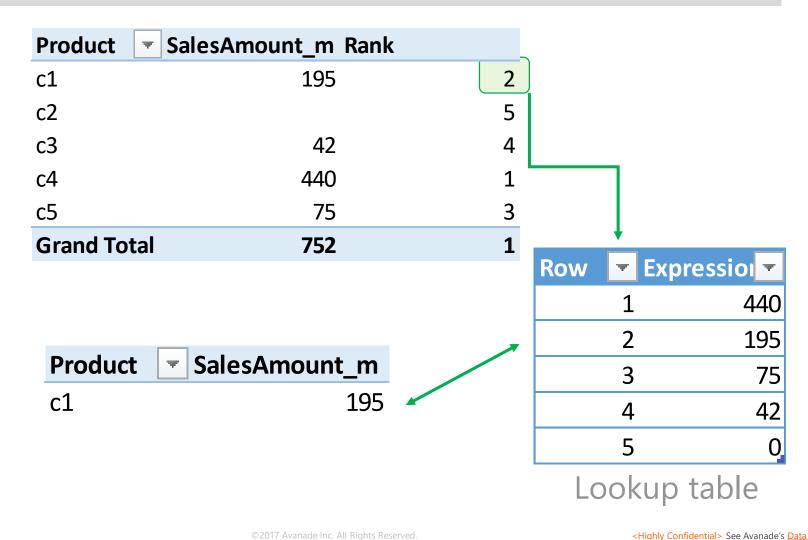
Rank:=RANKX(Customer; [SalesAmount m])





c1

Rank:=RANKX(ALL(Customer); [SalesAmount m])





Rank:=RANKX(ALL(Customer); SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]))

Product	Sum of SalesAmount	Rank
c1	195	1
c2		1
c3	42	1
c4	440	1
c5	75	1
Grand Tot	al 752	1



You need to force context by using CALCULATE

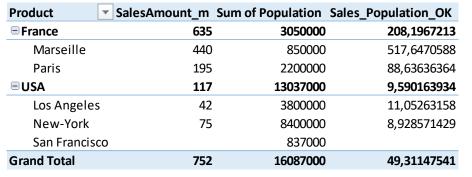
Rank:=RANKX(ALL(Customer); CALCULATE(SUM(Sales[SalesAmount])))



Exercices: Iterators

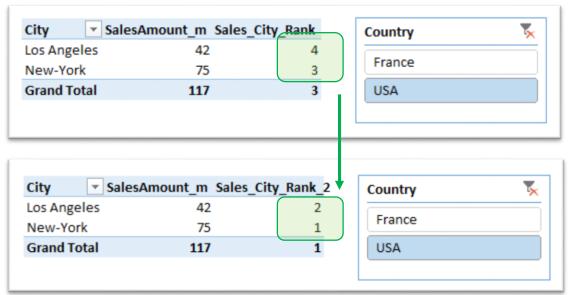
SUMX / VALUES

Sales per inhabitants





Ranking Cities



AVERAGEX

Count number of customers having spent more than the average.



Querying Tabular and Table Functions



Querying in DAX

You might use DAX to query a tabular model when you use SSAS in Tabular mode.

Tools:

- SSMS inside MDX query (no intellisense)
- Excel
- PowerView
- PowerBI Desktop
- DAX Studio (http://daxstudio.codeplex.com/)

You will use what you learned before...

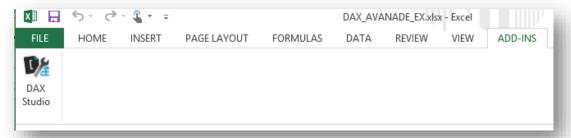
... but you will need to learn new functions!



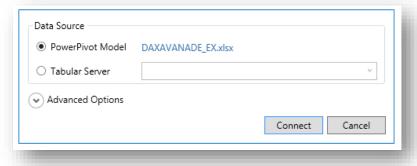
Query your PowerPivot model

To query your PowerPivot model you need to install the **DAX Studio Excel add-in**.

- 1) Open your Excel file
- 2) Click on the DAX Studio add-in in the Excel ribbon



3) This will open DAX Studio and give you the possibility to connect to your PowerPivot model





EVALUATE

• EVALUATE is the statement to write DAX queries

```
EVALUATE

Sales

ORDER BY Sales[Quantity]
```



Filtering data

• You can use a function you already know...

```
EVALUATE
FILTER(
          Product,
          AND(Product[Margin]>0.1,Product[Product_Category]="p")
)
ORDER BY Product[Product]
```

Or use a faster one

```
EVALUATE
CALCULATETABLE(
         Product,
         Product[Margin]>0.1,
         Product[Product_Category]="p"
)
ORDER BY Product[Product]
```



CALCULATETABLE - equivalence

```
EVALUATE
CALCULATETABLE(
          Product,
          Product[Margin] > 0.1
)
ORDER BY Product[Product]
```



```
EVALUATE
CALCULATETABLE(
          Product,
          FILTER(
                ALL(Product[Margin]),
                Product[Margin]>0.1
           )
)
ORDER BY Product[Product]
```



Multiple CALCULATETABLE

• Using nested CALCULATETABLE, the evaluation order is not intuitive...

- The last executed is the inner.
- Remember this CALCULATETABLE behaviour



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SUMMARIZE

• SUMMARIZE performs GROUP BY in DAX

- You must provide a label for the calculations
- You should avoid using SUMMARIZE to create calculated columns!
 Use a mix of SUMMARIZE & ADDCOLUMNS instead.



SUMMARIZE & ADDCOLUMNS

Here is the solution for creating calculated columns

- Note & understand the CALCULATE
- If you don't use CALCULATE, the result is the total for all Product Categories.



TOPN

• To return only top « x » lines

```
EVALUATE
TOPN (
       10,
       ADDCOLUMNS (
               SUMMARIZE (
                      Sales,
                      Product[Product_Category]
               "Total Sales", CALCULATE (SUM (Sales [Sales Amount]))
        [Total Sales]
```

• [Total_Sales] indicates the « order by » to apply



GENERATE - TOPN

To return the top « x » lines for each « y »

```
EVALUATE
GENERATE (
       VALUES(Product[Product Category]),
       TOPN (
              ADDCOLUMNS (
                      SUMMARIZE
                             Sales,
                                     Product [Product]
       "Total Sales", CALCULATE (SUM (Sales [Sales Amount]))
               [Total Sales], 0
```



Measures

- It is possible to define measures inside the query
- Simplify a query and make it more readable

```
DEFINE
MEASURE Sales[LowDiscounted] =
CALCULATE(sum(Sales[SalesAmount]), Customer[Discount]<0.1)</pre>
EVALUATE
ADDCOLUMNS (
       SUMMARIZE (
              Sales,
              Product[Product]
       "TotSales", CALCULATE (Sales [Sales Amount]),
       "LowDiscounted", Sales [LowDiscounted]
```

Query measure=Model measure → no performance loss



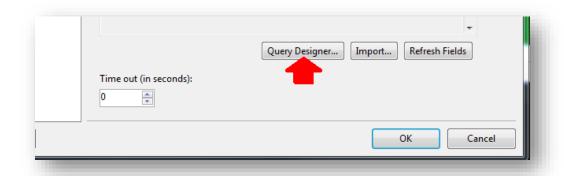
Parameters in queries

- You can insert parameters in your queries, not supported by all client tools
- Works fine with SSRS!



SSRS

- You can query in DAX to fill your datasets
- It is not very user friendly
- 1. Open the Query Designer...



2. Switch to DMX mode



3. Change the Design Mode

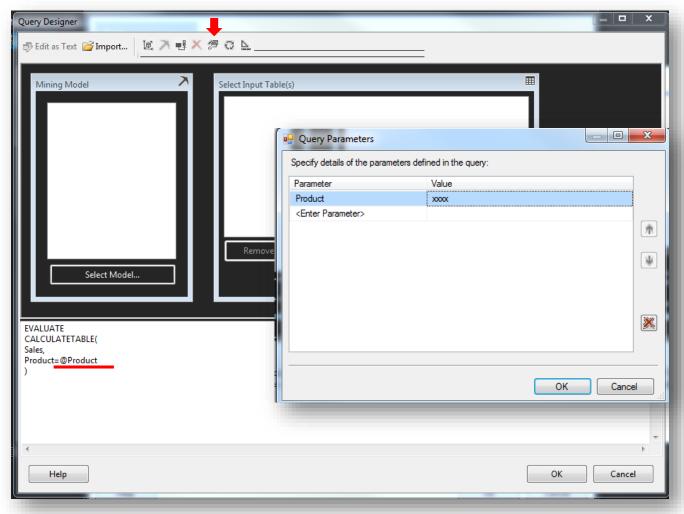




SSRS

4. Write your DAX Query and do not forget to specify parameters

explicitely





Multi-valued Parameters in SSRS

- You can insert multiple parameters in queries
- But be careful about the performances, they will decrease a lot as the number of parameters increase...

 And the SSRS expression to pass the SSRS multi-valued parameter to the query

```
=Join(Parameters!City.Value, "|")
```



Querying with MDX

- You can query a tabular model with MDX
- Try it in SSMS!
- Missing features in Tabular:
 - Attribute Key/Value/Name → Doesn't exist in Tabular
 - Attribute relationships
- MDX is often slower than DAX on a Tabular model
- → Because MDX queries generates many DAX queries



Exercices : Querying Tabular



1. Simple Query

- Make a query to obtain sales by customer
- Rewrite it with ADDCOLUMNS if you didn't

2. MEASURE

- Try to obtain the following result

Country	City	Tax	Population	CountryPopulation
USA	San Francisco	0,8	837000	13037000
France	Paris	0,5	2200000	3050000
USA	Los Angeles	0,2	3800000	13037000
France	Marseille	0,4	850000	3050000
USA	New-York	0,1	8400000	13037000

3. Complex Query

- Find the top 2 products (order by sales)



Exercices : Querying Tabular



4. Display products sold more than twice

Product	Product_Category	Nb_sales	Margin	UnitPrice	NbSales
p2	pc1	4	0,15	3	4
p1	pc1	4	0,2	3	4

5. Display the cities with the sales ratio (distribution)

Country	City	Tax	Population	REL_CITY_DEM	ratio
USA	Los Angeles	0,2	3800000	USA-Los Angeles	5,58510638297872
France	Marseille	0,4	850000	France-Marseille	58,5106382978723
France	Paris	0,5	2200000	France-Paris	25,9308510638298
USA	New-York	0,1	8400000	USA-New-York	9,97340425531915

6. Modify the last query to display only Los Angeles and Paris (the ratio must be dynamic)

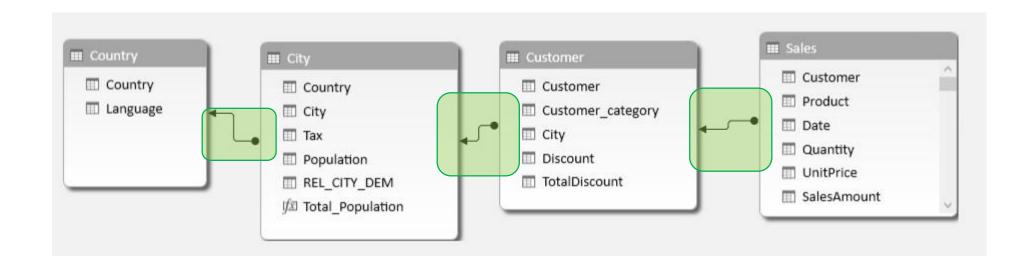
Country	City	Tax	Population	REL_CITY_DEM	ratio
USA	Los Angeles	0,2	3800000	USA-Los Angeles	17,7215189873418
France	Paris	0,5	2200000	France-Paris	82,2784810126582



Advanced Filter Context



Filter Propagation



Row context : doesn't follow relationships

Filter context : follows relationships



Filter Propagation

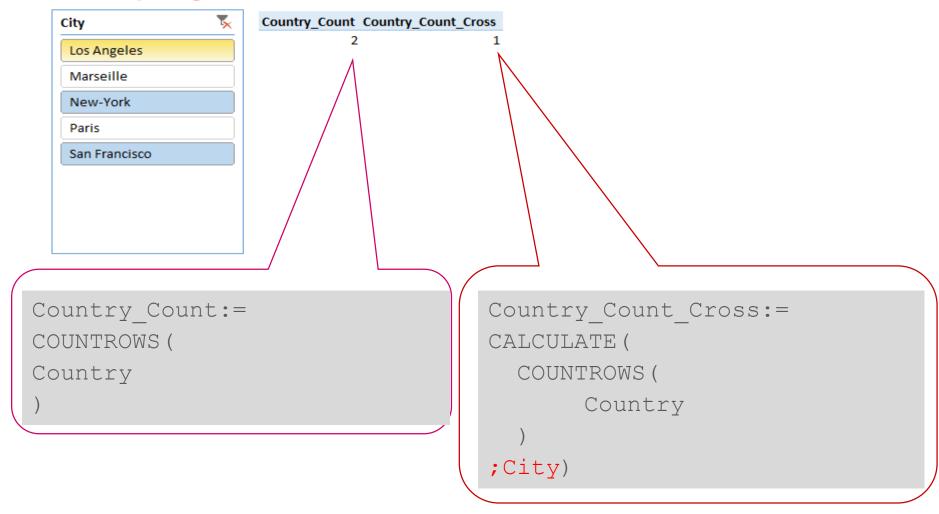


Country Count:=COUNTROWS (Country)

The count of countries is not filtered by the City slicer!



Filter Propagation



Crossing the table gives us the good result



Filter Propagation: table expansion

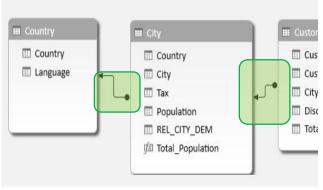
Customer City

Native Columns	Table Extension Vision

Customer	Customer	
Customer_category	Customer_category	
City	City	
Discount	Discount	
	Customer	
	Product	
	Date	
	Quantity	ď
	UnitPrice	Sales

	Native Columns	Table Extension Vision
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Country	Country	
City	City	
Tax	Tax	
Population	Population	
	Customer Customer_category City Discount	Customer
	Customer Product Date Quantity UnitPrice	Sales



Crossing tables can be seen as extending the table



Filter Equivalent

```
SalesC1:= CALCULATE(
        sum(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        Customer[Customer]= "C1"
)
```

City	▼ Sum of SalesAmount	SalesC1
c1	195	195
c2		195
c3	42	195
c4	440	195
c5	75	195
Grand To	otal 752	195



Using Many Filter

Intersection

```
Sales Intersect C1C3 :=
CALCULATE (
       sum(Sales[SalesAmount]);
       FILTER (
              ALL(Customer[Customer]);
              Customer[Customer] = "C1"
       );
       FILTER (
              ALL(Customer[Customer]);
              Customer[Customer] = "C3"
```

City	▼ Sum of SalesAmount Sales_Intersect_C1C3
c1	195
c3	42
c4	440
c5	75
Grand Tot	al 752



Using Many Filter

Overwrite

```
Sales_Overwrite C1C3:=
CALCULATE (
        CALCULATE (
                sum(Sales[SalesAmount]);
                FILTER (
                        ALL(Customer[Customer]);
                        Customer[Customer] = "C1"
        );
        FILTER (
                ALL(Customer[Customer]);
                Customer[Customer] = "C3"
```

City	Sum of SalesAmount	Sales_Overwrite_C1C3
c1	195	195
c2		195
c3	42	195
c4	440	195
c5	75	195
Grand Tot	al 752	195



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Using Many Filter

REMOVE

City	▼ Sum of SalesAmount	Sales_REMOVE_C3	Sales_REMOVE_ALL
c1	195	752	42
c2		752	42
c3	42	752	42
c4	440	752	42
c 5	75	752	42
Grand To	tal 752	752	42



Exercices: Advanced Filter Context

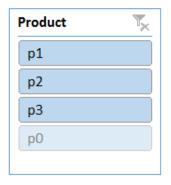


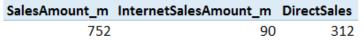
Crossing table

Sales ratio product / category

	City	*	SalesAmount_m	Sales_	pct
	□ pc1		312	100,0)0%
	p1		78	25,0)0%
	p2		234	75,0)0%
	■ pc2		440	100,0)0%
	рЗ		440	100,0)0%
	Grand Tot	tal	752	100,0)0%

Direct sales (Sales made with product sold online)





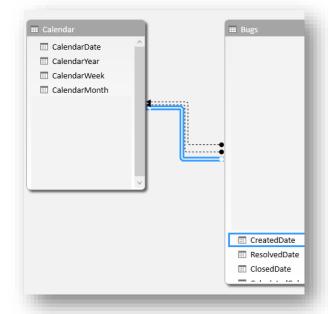


Advanced Relationships



Multiple relationships

Tabular model doesn't allow multiple relationships
 ... well, actually it does but only one is active.

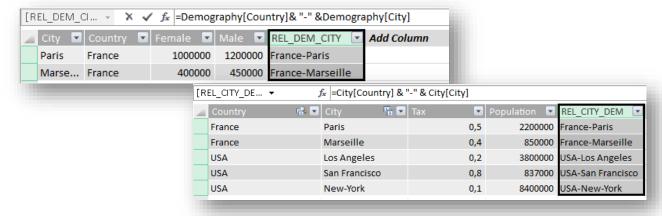


 When using an inactive one, you have to specify it with the USERELATIONSHIP function

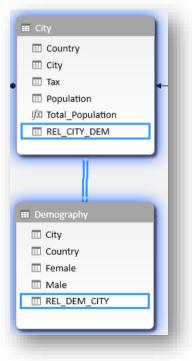


Multi-column relationship

- Tabular model doesn't allow a relationship on more than one column... But you can by-pass this limitation
 - 1. Create a calculated column which concatenates the columns needed to make a relationship in the two tables



2. Create the relationship on this column





Different granularity

- Sales at day level
- Sales goals at months level
- → You can manage it with DAX Code

Moves the filter to another table without a relationship



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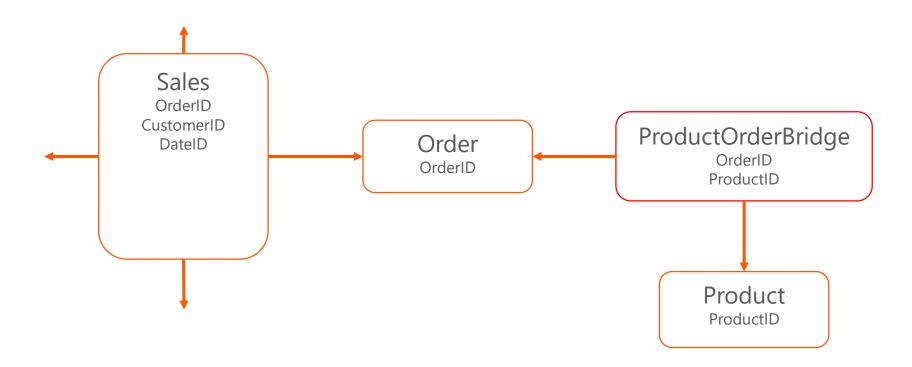
Different granularities

• It allows you to compare sales with sales goals in the same PivotTable using the two measures:

Month	▼ SalesAmount_m	Total_Sales_Goals
201301	3	3
201502	66	24
Grand Tota	al 69	27



- M2M relationships are not easy to manage before DAX 2016
- Because of one-way relationship in Tabular model, M2M relationships need additional DAX code

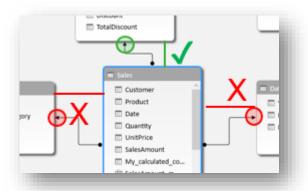




Problems come when you want to filter a result by product

We know that:

- 1. When we filter the **Products**, the **Bridge** table is filtered too
- 2. But filter propagation stops there because of the direction of the relationship. Remember...



3. When we filter the **Orders**, the **Sales** table is filtered too



 So you have to write DAX code that build a new filter on Orders that takes only the Orders of the selected Products... Easy, no?

```
Amount:=
CALCULATE(
         SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
         ProductOrderBridge
)
```

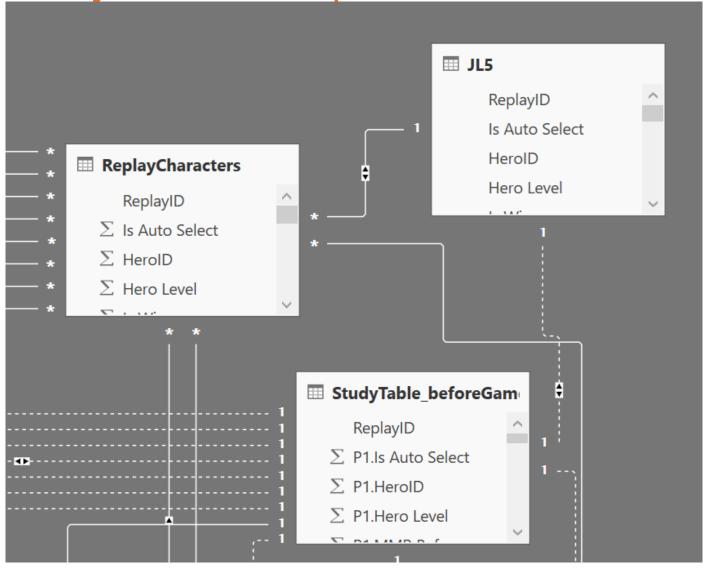
- Putting the bridge table as the second argument of CALCULATE extends the filter context created by Products to Orders.
- As said before, Orders is able to filter the Sales table
- → WORKS!



- If you don't get it, we recommend you to read the whitepaper «The Many-to-Many Revolution» written by Marco Russo and Alberto Ferrari (the «Tabular Models» part from page 96) available here: http://www.sqlbi.com/articles/many2many/.
- Here is another useful article by the same authors:
 <u>https://www.sqlbi.com/articles/optimize-many-to-many-calculation-in-dax-with-summarize-and-cross-table-filtering/</u>.
- This is how we got it!



Many-To-Many relationship / DAX 2016





Special Use Cases

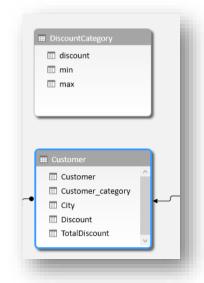


Segmentation

Sometimes it's useful to be able to categorize a quantitative value

DISCOUNT				
LOW	0	0,1		
MEDIUM	0,1	0,3		
HIGH	0,3	1		

Create a table with NO relationship





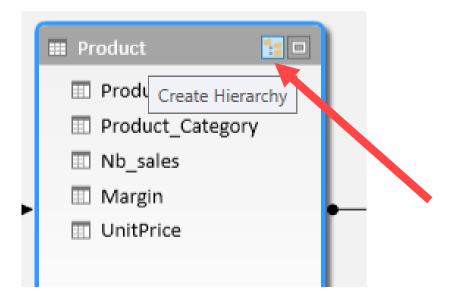
Segmentation

 The relationship is set inside the DAX code in a calculated column, in the customer table:



Hierarchy

- All fields in a hierarchy are from the same table
- Use RELATED to work with several tables

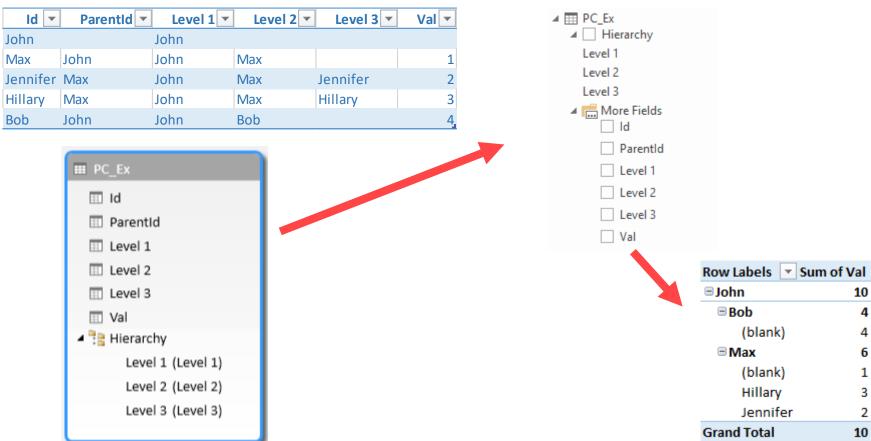




Hierarchy Exercice

• Let's create a Parent / Child hierarchy
For this exercice, please use the file DAX_AVANADE_EXE_SpecialUseCases.xlsx







Hierarchy Function Exercice

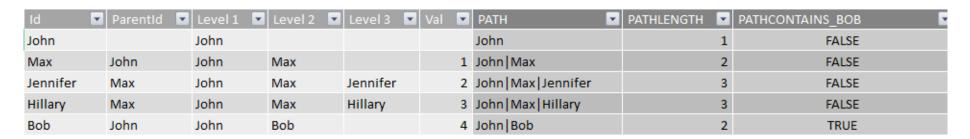
 Returns a delimited text string with the identifiers of all the parents of the current identifier

PATHLENGTH (<Path>)

Returns the number of level for a given path

PATHCONTAINS (<Path>; <Item>)

Returns true if the specified item exists in the path





Time Intelligence – Filtering Dates

- DAX provides some time intelligence functions
- To use it, you must mark your Date table as Date table (Design>Mark as Date Table) and your date column must be unique and typed as date (Advanced>Data Category)
- Here is DATESBETWEEN, useful to select a period



DATEADD returns a date table shifted in time:

```
SalesAmountLastYear:=
CALCULATE(
          SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
          DATEADD('Date' [Date];-1; YEAR)
)
```

• PARALLELPERIOD returns a date table shifted in time:

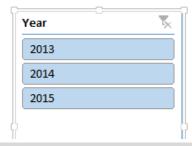
```
SalesAmountLastYear:=
CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        PARALLELPERIOD('Date' [Date];-1; YEAR)
)
```

PARALLELPERIOD returns the result for the whole period



Here is an example of DATEADD

City	▼ SalesAmount_m	SalesAmountLastYear
2013	198	
2014	30	198
2015	524	30
Grand To	otal 752	228



```
SalesAmountLastYear:=
CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        DATEADD('Date'[Date];-1;YEAR)
)
```

```
SalesAmountLastYear2:=
CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        SAMEPERIODLASTYEAR('Date'[Date])
)
```



• DAX provides more advanced time functions, as DATESYTD :

```
SalesYTD:=
CALCULATE(
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
        DATESYTD('Date'[Date])
)
```

YTD fiscal year, indicating the end of fiscal year in third position:

```
SalesFiscal:=
CALCULATE(
          SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]);
          DATESYTD('Date' [Date], "31/08")
)
```



- Semi-additive measures (can't be summed over time)
- e.g. Account Balance

• You might want to use the last value of the lower granularity when

aggregating

```
AccountBalance:=
CALCULATE(
          SUM(Account[Balance]);
          LASTDATE(Sales[Date])
)
```

Month	AccountBalance
□ 2013	30
201301	1
201308	5
201311	30
= 2014	2
201402	106
201408	2
□ 2015	4
201501	10
201502	4
Grand Total	4



Specific functions are available for classical use cases:

- CLOSINGBALANCEMONTH
- CLOSINGBALANCEQUARTER
- CLOSINGBALANCEYEAR

•	OPENI	NGBAL	ANCE	MONTH
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- OPENINGBALANCEQUARTER
- OPENINGBALANCEYEAR

Month	AccountBalance	AccountBalance_closing
■ 2013	30	30
20130	1 1	1
20130	8 5	5
20131	1 30	30
□ 2014	2	2
20140	2 106	106
20140	8 2	2
2015 □ 2015	4	4
20150	1 10	10
20150	2 4	4
Grand Tot	al 4	4



Time Intelligence – Running Total

Month	■ Sum of SalesAmount	RunningTotalSales	
□ 2013		198	198
201301		3	3
201302			3
201303			3
201304			3
201305			3
201306			3
201307			3
201308		15	18
201309			18
201310			18
201311		180	198
201312			198
Grand Total		198	198



Exercices : Special Use Cases



For this exercice, please use the file DAX_AVANADE_EXE_SpecialUseCases.xlsx

- 1. Create a measure that reports sales YTD for the year 2015
- 2. Create the same measure to report last year sales YTD
- 3. Bonus: Calculate YTD growth based on the two measures

Month J	SalesAmount_m	SalesYTD	Sal	lesAmount_mLastYear	SalesYTDLastYear	Gro	owth
2015 □	524	524		330	330		58,79%
201501	200	200					
201502	66	266		318	318		-16,35%
201503		266			318		-16,35%
201504		266			318		-16,35%
201505	240	506			318		59,12%
201506		506			318		59,12%
201507		506			318		59,12%
201508		506		12	330		53,33%
201509	18	524			330		58,79%
201510		524			330		58,79%
201511		524			330		58,79%
201512		524	-\		330		58,79%
Grand Total	524	524		330	330	/ (58,79%



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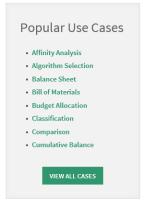
What is a pattern?



A pattern is a general reusable solution to a commonly occurring problem.

In Microsoft Excel, you use patterns every day to build tables, charts, reports, dashboards, and more.

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DAX examples:

- Statistical pattern
- Classification
- Handling different granularities

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DAX 2016

New functionnalities are coming with SQL Server 2016 / Excel 2016 / Power BI Desktop

Modeling:

- Many 2 many
- BI Directional Cross Filtering

Functions:

- MEDIAN(), UNION(), DATEDIFF(),...

Variables:

- Little Revolution!
- Work as a real variable, evaluated only one time and never change, the filter context doesn't matter on it
- Will be much easier, especially for querying

Lien: http://www.wiseowl.co.uk/blog/s2501/ssas-tabular-2016-new.htm



DAX 2016 - Variables

If you want the overall population without variables when querying WITHOUT variables:

```
DEFINE
MEASURE City[TotalPop] = calculate(sum(city[population]), ALL(City))
EVALUATE
ADDCOLUMNS(city, "TotalPop", City[TotalPop])
```



```
EVALUATE

VAR

    TotalPop=sum(city[population])

RETURN

ADDCOLUMNS(City, "TotalPop", TotalPop)
```

No more headache with evaluation contexts ©



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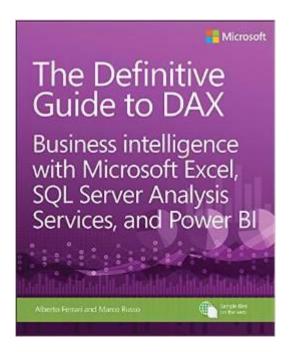
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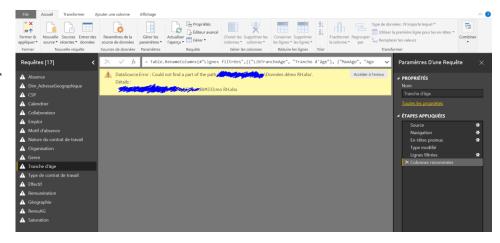
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Power BI – Power Query

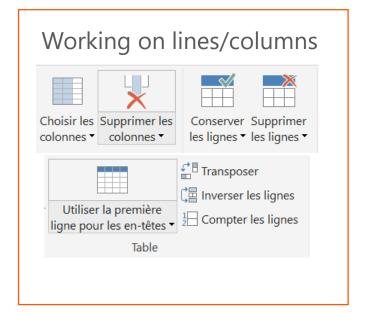
- Mid 90s: mini-movement where business folks wrote and developed software → Model
 Oriented architecture
- They could not understand the generated code
- Died slowly in the 2000s until the 2015 Power Query tool created by Microsoft
- Still not really useful for now, but getting more and more apreciated since mid 2016 and Power BI
- Replace VBA in some cases



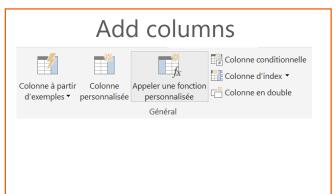




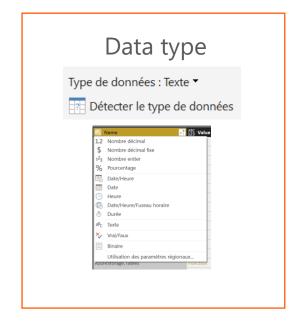
Few useful functions









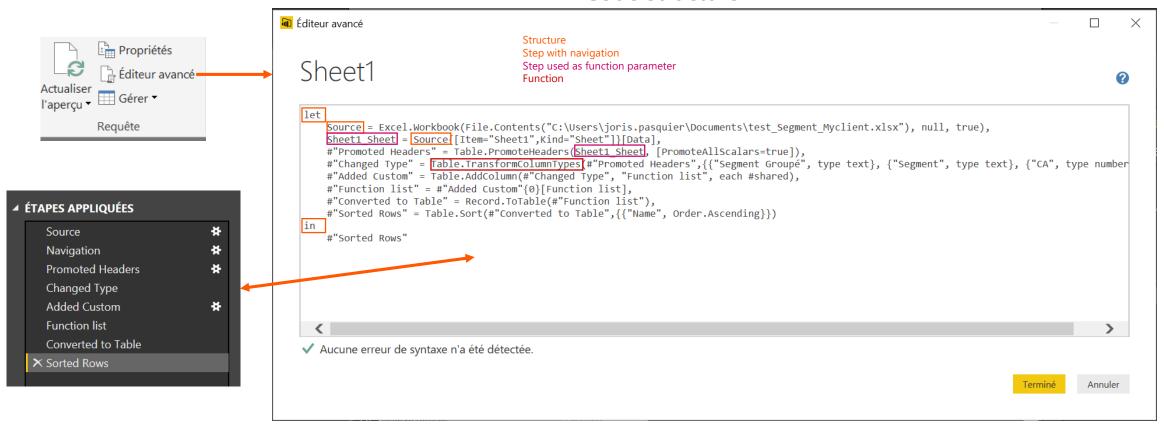






Advanced editor – code reading

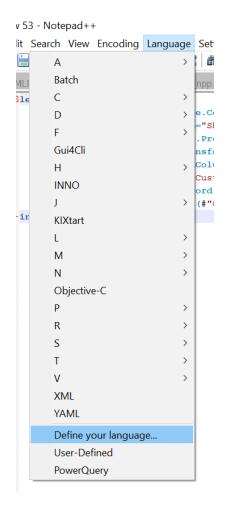
Code structure





Sexyer editor

- Download the file <u>here</u>
- Open Notepad++
- Go to language, define your language
- Import the file, then save as « PowerQuery »
- <u>Link</u>



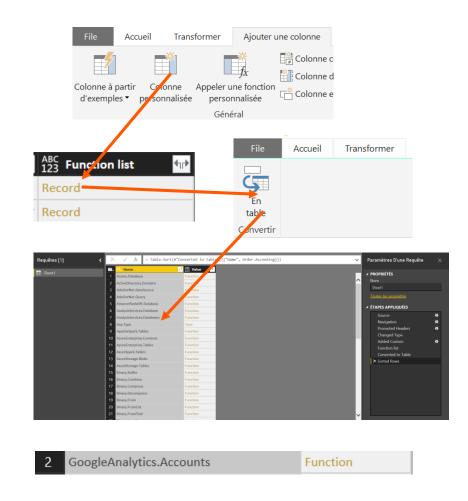


Full list of functions

Full list of function:

- add custom column =#shared,
- Click on the first Record
- then « to table »,
- Can get detail of each function by clicking on « Function »

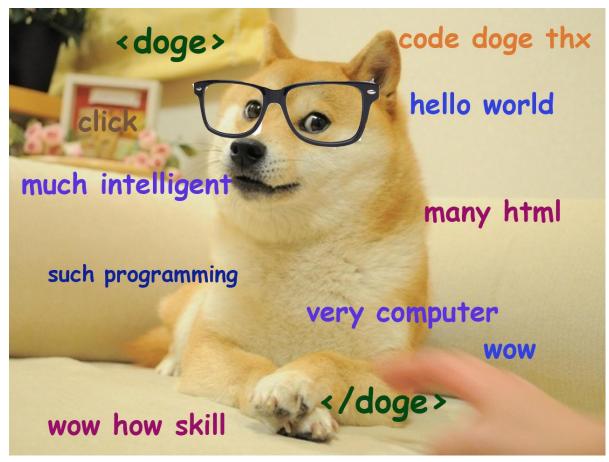
There are not only functions!





More functions

https://github.com/tycho01/pquery



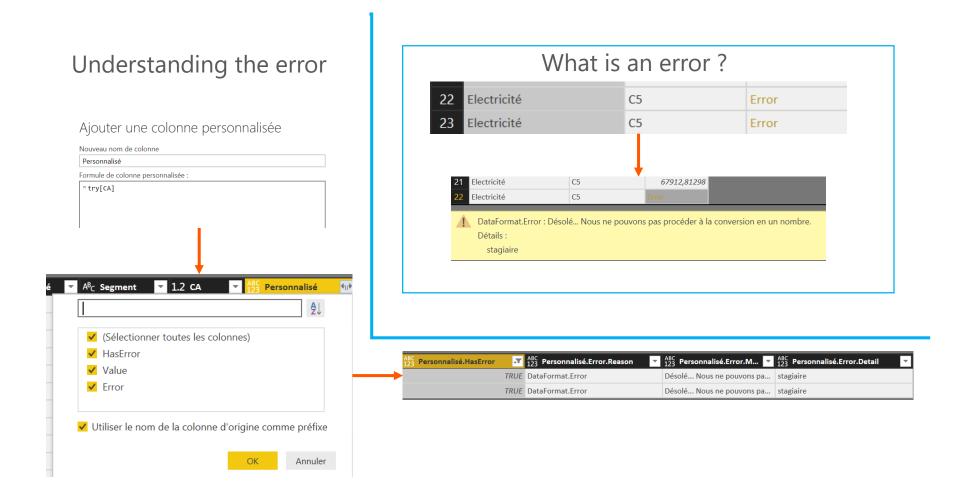


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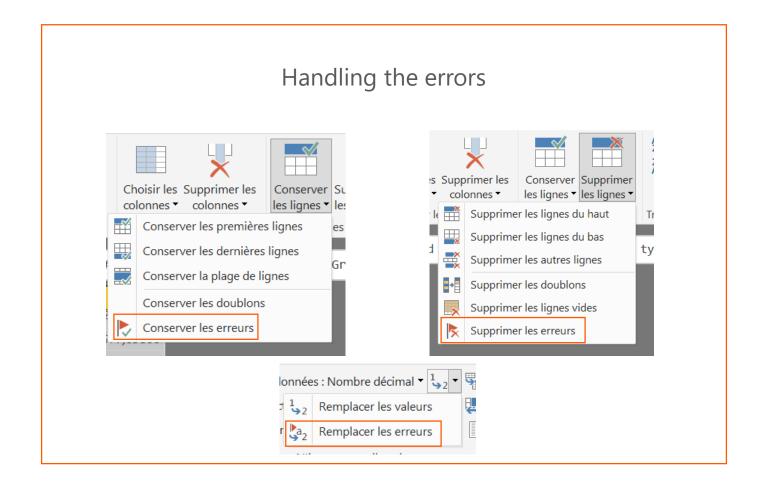


Error Handling: knowledge





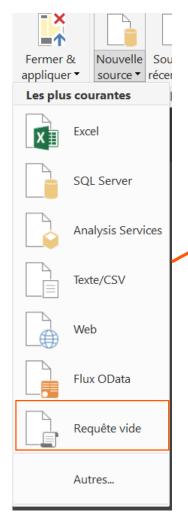
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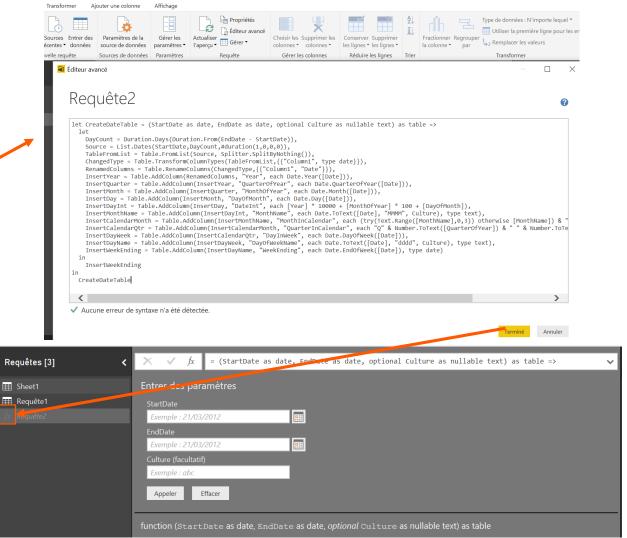


Calendar: M function

Create an empty request



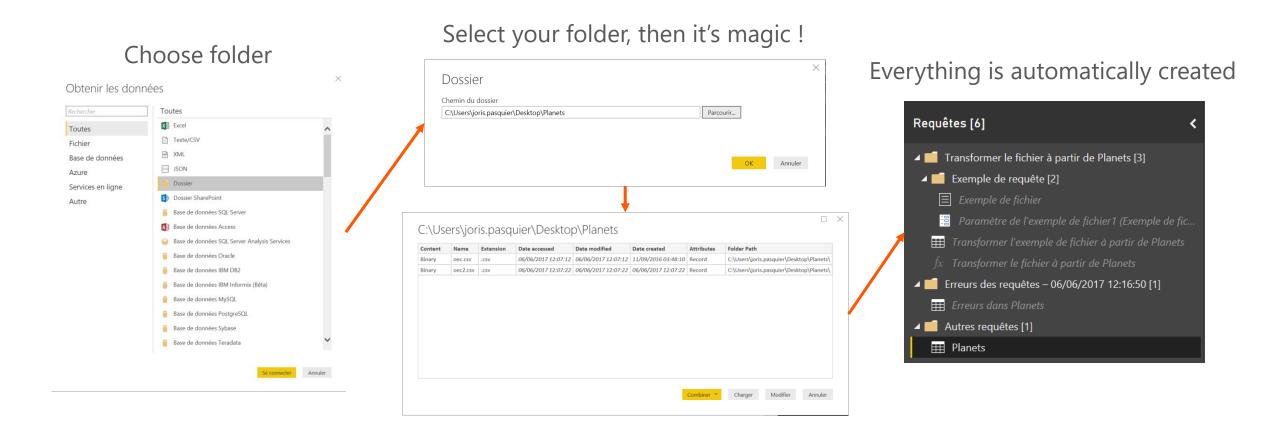




Use the function to range your own calendar



Managing CSV: combining





Managing CSV: handle format error

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Read it your own way!







Now just remove the text delimiters...



Exercice: Indian Premier League



1. Combining the deliveries files

- Combine the two delivery.csv files
- Describe the code
- Handle the errors using automatic detection

2. Integrating the matches

- Import matches.csv
- Detect and handle errors (try try[])





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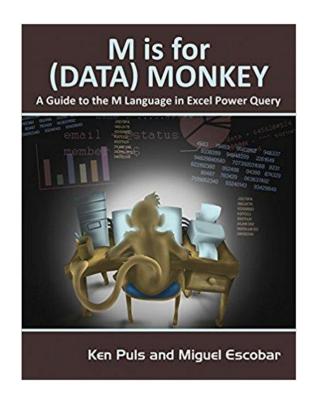
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