COMP9318: Data Warehousing and Data Mining

L2: Data Warehousing and OLAP —

Why and What are Data Warehouses?

Data Analysis Problems

- The same data found in many different systems
 - Example: customer data across different departments
 - The same concept is defined differently
- Heterogeneous sources
 - Relational DBMS, OnLine Transaction Processing (OLTP)
 - Unstructured data in files (e.g., MS Excel) and documents (e.g., MS Word)

Data Analysis Problems (Cont'd)

- Data is suited for operational systems
 - Accounting, billing, etc.
 - Do not support analysis across business functions
- Data quality is bad
 - Missing data, imprecise data, different use of systems
- Data are "volatile"
 - Data deleted in operational systems (6months)
 - Data change over time no historical information

Solution: Data Warehouse

- Defined in many different ways, but not rigorously.
 - A decision support database that is maintained separately from the organization's operational database
 - Support information processing by providing a solid platform of consolidated, historical data for analysis.
- "A data warehouse is a <u>subject-oriented</u>, <u>integrated</u>, <u>time-variant</u>, and <u>nonvolatile</u> collection of data in support of management's decision-making process."—W. H. Inmon
- Data warehousing:
 - The process of constructing and using data warehouses

Data Warehouse—Subject-Oriented

- Organized around major subjects, such as customer, product, sales.
- Focusing on the modeling and analysis of data for decision makers, not on daily operations or transaction processing.
- Provide a simple and concise view around particular subject issues by excluding data that are not useful in the decision support process.

Data Warehouse—Integrated

- Constructed by integrating multiple, heterogeneous data sources
 - relational databases, flat files, on-line transaction records
- Data cleaning and data integration techniques are applied.
 - Ensure consistency in naming conventions, encoding structures, attribute measures, etc. among different data sources
 - E.g., Hotel price: currency, tax, breakfast covered, etc.
 - When data is moved to the warehouse, it is converted.

Data Warehouse—Time Variant

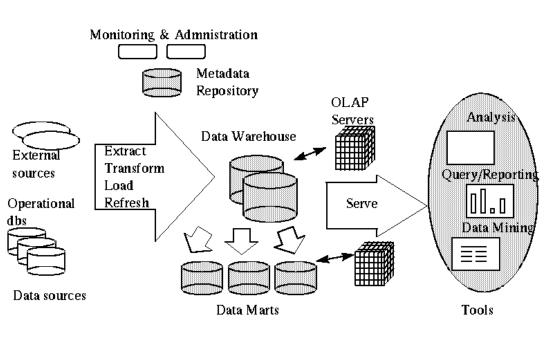
- The time horizon for the data warehouse is significantly longer than that of operational systems.
 - Operational database: current value data.
 - Data warehouse data: provide information from a historical perspective (e.g., past 5-10 years)
- Every key structure in the data warehouse
 - Contains an element of time, explicitly or implicitly
 - But the key of operational data may or may not contain "time element".

Data Warehouse—Non-Volatile

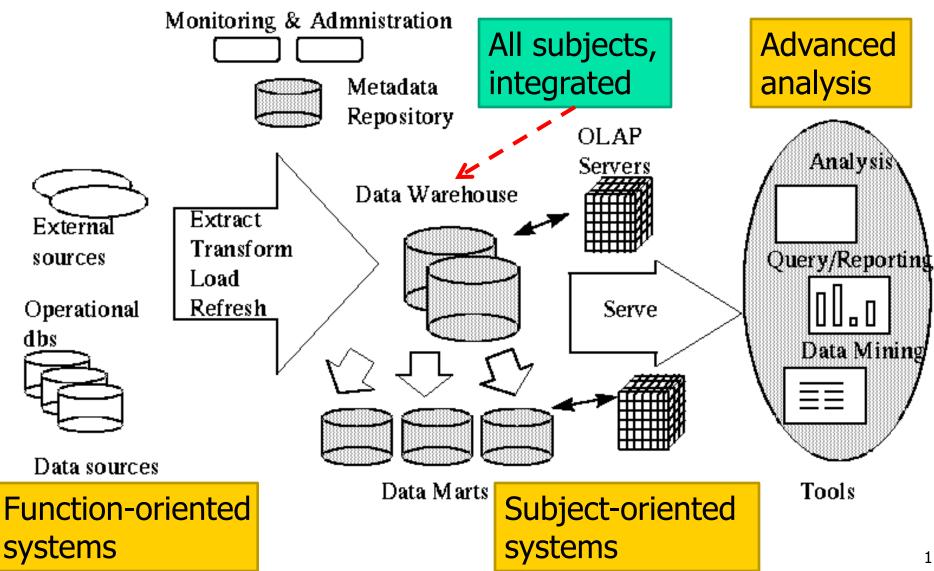
- A physically separate store of data transformed from the operational environment.
- Operational update of data does not occur in the data warehouse environment.
 - Does not require transaction processing, recovery, and concurrency control mechanisms
 - Requires only two operations in data accessing:
 - initial loading of data and access of data.

Data Warehouse Architecture

- Extract data from operational data sources
 - clean, transform
- Bulk load/refresh
 - warehouse is offline
- OLAP-server provides multidimensional view
- Multidimensional-olap
 (Essbase, oracle
 express)
- Relational-olap
 (Redbrick, Informix, Sybase, SQL server)



Data Warehouse Architecture



Why Separate Data Warehouse?

- High performance for both systems
 - DBMS— tuned for OLTP: access methods, indexing, concurrency control, recovery
 - Warehouse—tuned for OLAP: complex OLAP queries, multidimensional view, consolidation.
- Different functions and different data:
 - missing data: Decision support requires historical data which operational DBs do not typically maintain
 - data consolidation: DS requires consolidation (aggregation, summarization) of data from heterogeneous sources
 - data quality: different sources typically use inconsistent data representations, codes and formats which have to be reconciled

Why OLAP Servers?

- Different workload:
 - OLTP (on-line transaction processing)
 - Major task of traditional relational DBMS
 - Day-to-day operations: purchasing, inventory, banking, manufacturing, payroll, registration, accounting, etc.
 - OLAP (on-line analytical processing)
 - Major task of data warehouse system
 - Data analysis and decision making
- Queries hard/infeasible for OLTP, e.g.,
 - Which week we have the largest sales?
 - Does the sales of dairy products increase over time?
 - Generate a spread sheet of total sales by state and by year.
- Difficult to represent these queries by using SQL Why?

OLTP vs. OLAP

	OLTP	OLAP
users	clerk, IT professional	knowledge worker
function	day to day operations	decision support
DB design	application-oriented	subject-oriented
data	current, up-to-date detailed, flat relational isolated	historical, summarized, multidimensional integrated, consolidated
usage	repetitive	ad-hoc
access	read/write index/hash on prim. key	lots of scans
unit of work	short, simple transaction	complex query
# records accessed	tens	millions
#users	thousands	hundreds
DB size	100MB-GB	100GB-TB
metric	transaction throughput	query throughput, response

Comparisons

Logical Model

Physical Model

Query Language

Query Processing

Databases

Purpose	Many purposes; Flexible and general	One purpose: Data analysis
Conceptual Model	ER	Multidimensional

(Normalized) Relational Model

Relational Tables

queries)

SQL (hard for analytical

B+-tree/hash indexes, Multiple

join optimization, Materialized

Data Warehouses

Data cube/cuboids

queries)

ROLAP: Relational tables

MDX (easier for analytical

Materialized data cube

(Denormalized) Star schema /

MOLAP: Multidimensional arrays

Bitmap/Join indexes, Star join,

The Multidimensional Model

The Multidimensional Model

- A data warehouse is based on a multidimensional data model which views data in the form of a data cube, which is a multidimensional generalization of 2D spread sheet.
- Key concepts:
 - Facts: the subject it models
 - Typically transactions in this course; other types includes snapshots, etc.
 - Measures: numbers that can be aggregated
 - Dimensions: context of the measure
 - Hierarchies:
 - Provide contexts of different granularities (aka. grains)
- 提供不同 的粒度

- Goals for dimensional modeling:
 - Surround facts with as much relevant context (dimensions) as possible Why?

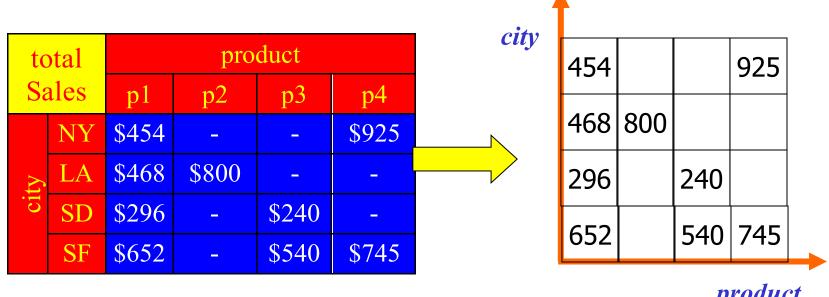
Supermarket Example

- Subject: analyze total sales and profits
- Fact: Each Sales Transaction
 - Measure: Dollars_Sold, Amount_Sold, Cost
 - Calculated Measure: Profit
- Dimensions:
 - Store
 - Product
 - Time

Visualizing the Cubes

A valid instance of the model is a data cube

使用聚合函数可以把p1到p4相加获得粒度grain更大的数据



product

Concepts: cell, fact (=non-empty cell), measure, dimensions

Q: How to generalize it to 3D?

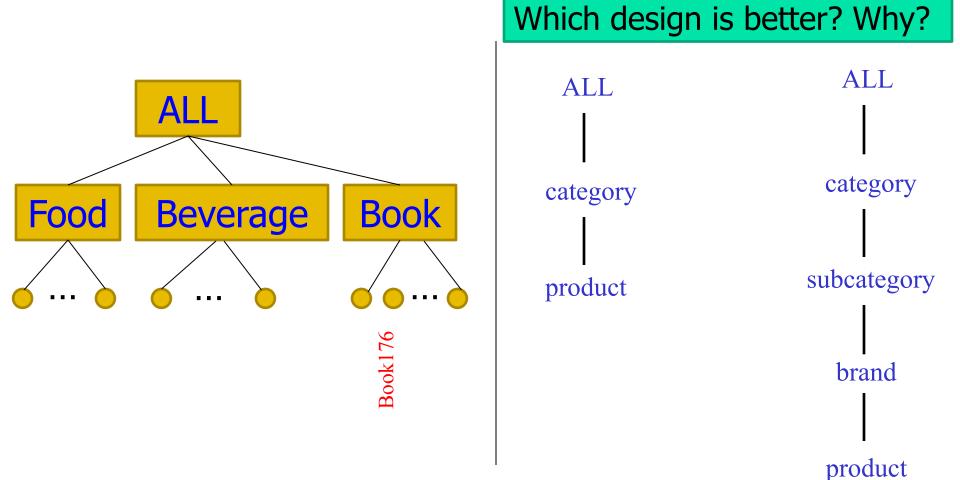
3D Cube and Hierarchies

Concepts: hierarchy (a tree of dimension values), level

Sales of book176 in NY in Jan can be found in this cell **DIMENSIONS** iki PRODUCT LOCATION TIME all means everthing NY ALL ALL ALL Book176 region category year product product quarter country month state week day -次叫level store 结构中fine granularity

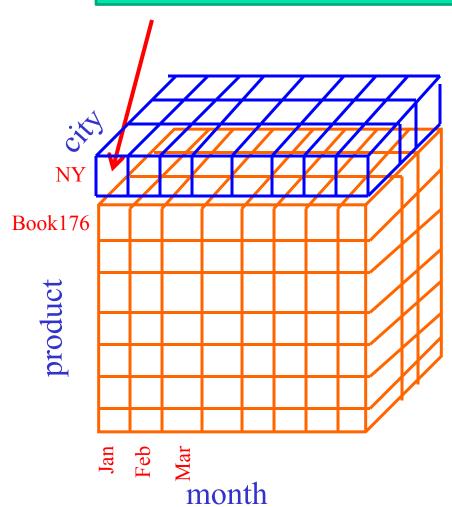
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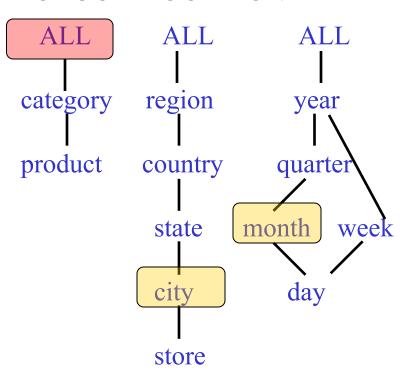
The (city, moth) Cuboid

Sales of ALL_PROD in NY in Jan



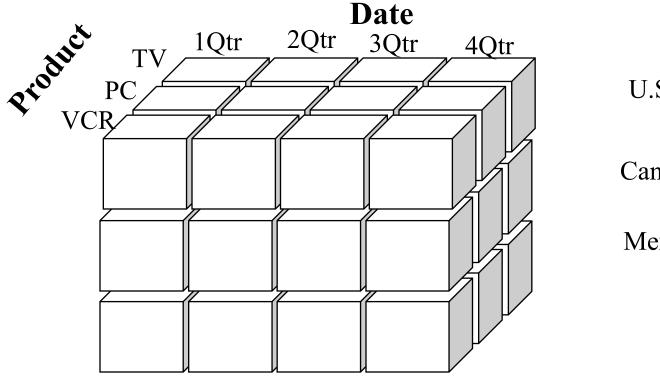
DIMENSIONS

PRODUCT LOCATION TIME



Assume: no other non-ALL levels on all dimensions.

All the Cuboids



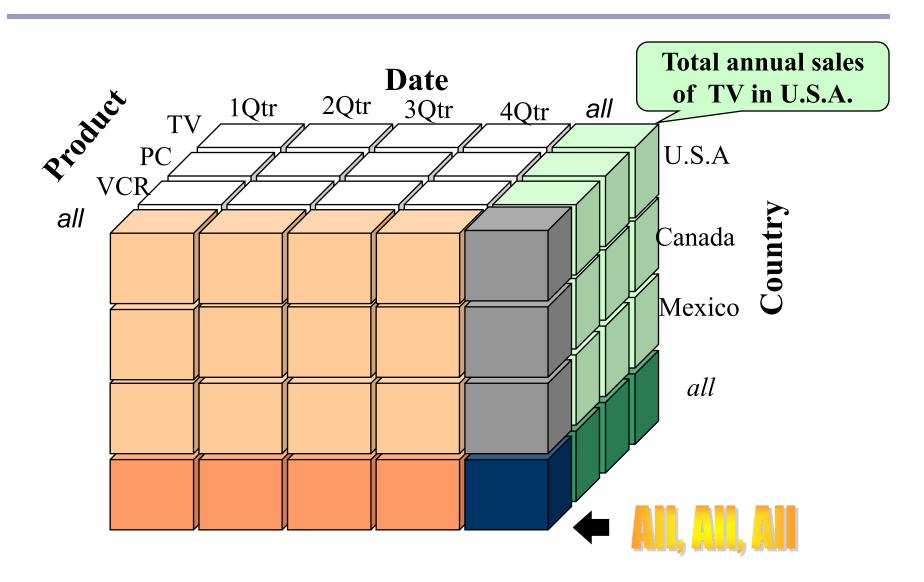
U.S.A

Canada

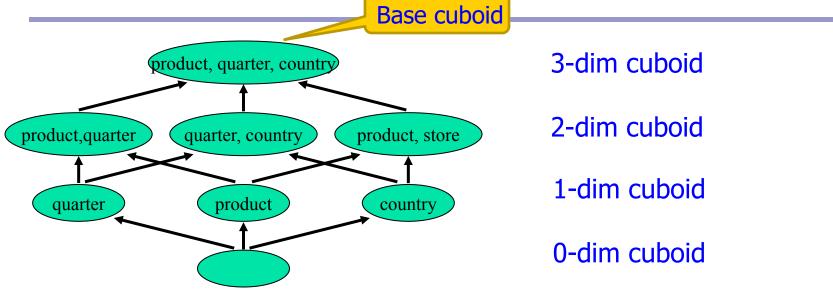
Mexico

Assume: no other non-ALL levels on all dimensions.

All the Cuboids /2



Lattice of the cuboids



- n-dim cube can be represented as $(D_1, D_2, ..., D_d)$, where D_i is the set of allowed values on the i-th dimension.
 - if D_i = L_i (a particular level), then Di = all descendant dimension values of L_i.
 - ALL can be omitted and hence reduces the effective dimensionality $\frac{d}{dt}$
- A complete cube of d-dimensions consists of $\prod_{i=1}^{n} (n_i + 1)$ cuboids, where n_i is the number of levels (excluding ALL) on i-th dimension.
 - They collectively form a lattice.

Properties of Operations

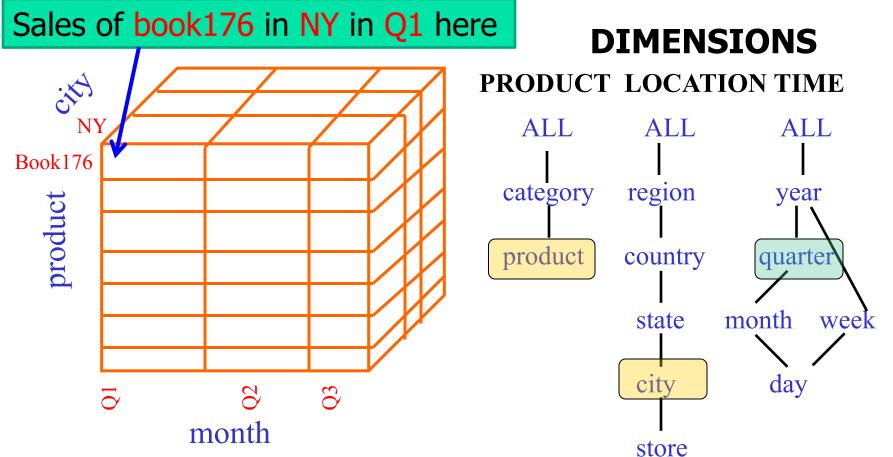
- All operations are closed under the multidimensional model
 - i.e., both input and output of an operation is a cube
- So that they can be composed

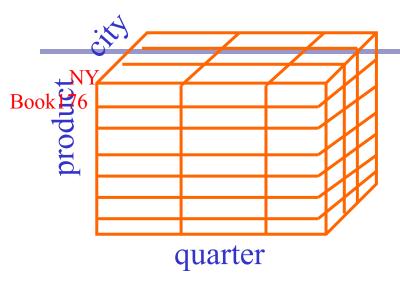
Q: What's the analogy in the Relational Model?

Common OLAP Operations

Roll-up: move up the hierarchy

Q: what should be its value?

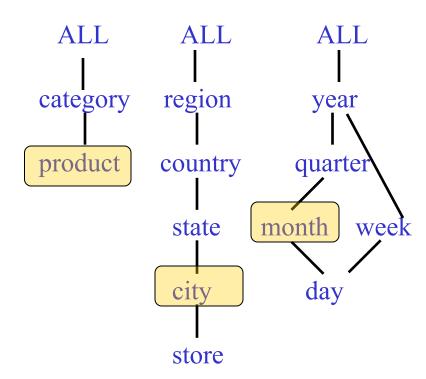




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DIMENSIONS

PRODUCT LOCATION TIME

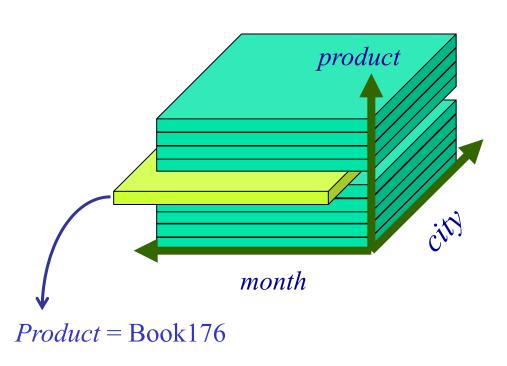


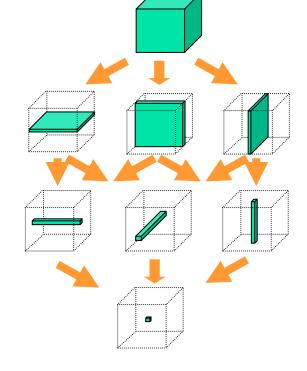
Common OLAP Operations

- Drill-down: move down the hierarchy
 - more fine-grained aggregation

Slice and Dice Queries

 Slice and Dice: select and project on one or more dimension values



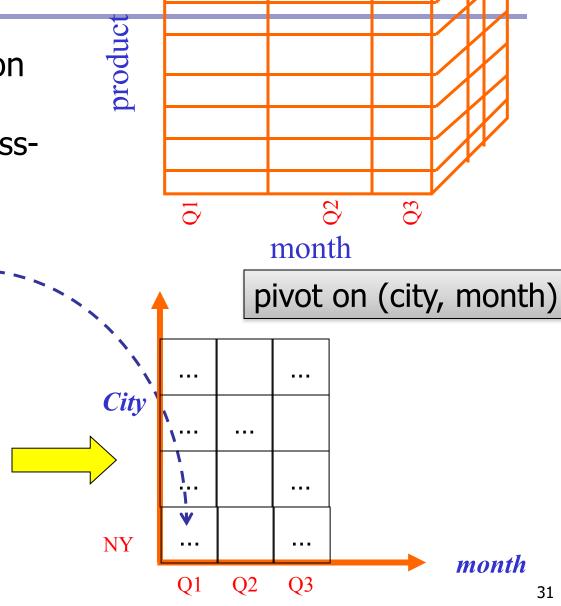


The output cube has smaller dimensionality than the input cube

Pivoting

- Pivoting: aggregate on selected dimensions
 - usually 2 dims (crosstabulation)

Sales (of all products) in NY in Q1 = sum(????



Book176

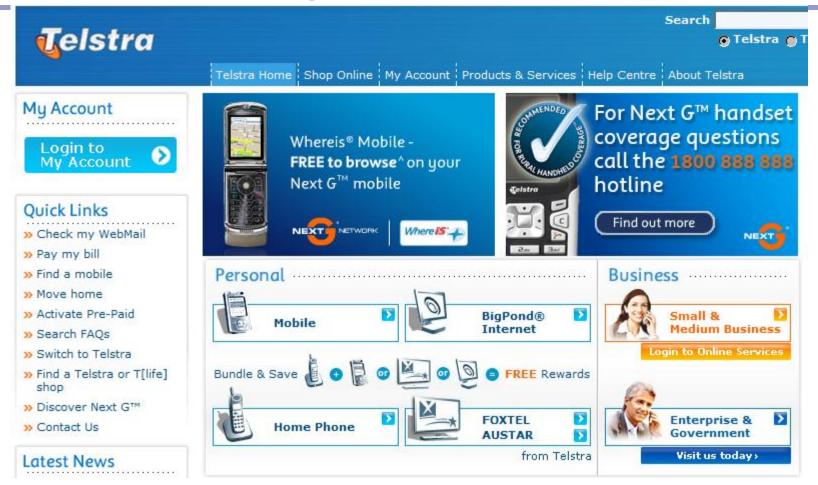
A Reflective Pause

Let's review the definition of data cubes again.

Key message:

 Disentangle the "object" from its "representation" or "implementation"

Modeling Exercise 1: Monthly Phone Service Billing



Theme: analyze the income/revenue of Telstra

Solution

FACT

MEASURE

DIMENSIONS

The Logical Model

Logical Models

- Two main approaches:
 - Using relational DB technology:
 - Star schema, Snowflake schema, Fact constellation
 - Using multidimensional technology:
 - Just as multidimensional data cube

Universal Schema → Star Schema

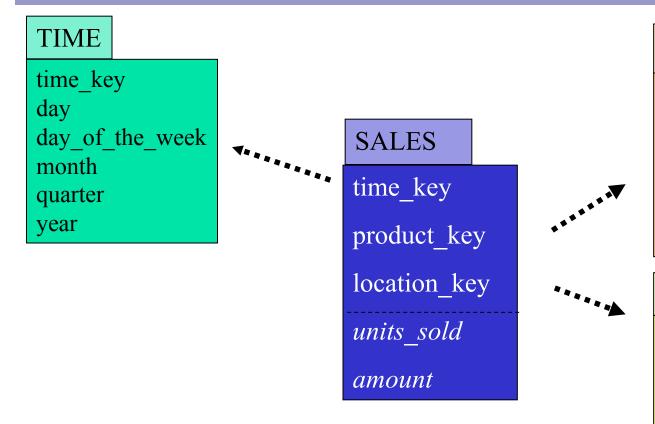
- Many data warehouses adopt a star schema to represent the multidimensional model
- Each dimension is represented by a dimension-table
 - LOCATION (location_key, store, street_address, city, state, country, region)
 - dimension tables are not normalized
- Transactions are described through a fact-table
 - each tuple consists of a pointer to each of the dimension-tables (foreign-key) and a list of measures (e.g. sales \$\$\$)

The universal schema for supermarket

S136 Syd NSW 76Ha Nestle Biscuit 40 10 18	Store	City	State	Prod	Brand	Category	\$Sold	#Sold	Cost
	S136	Syd	NSW	76Ha	Nestle	Biscuit	40	10	18
S1/3 Meid vic /6Ha Nestie Biscuit 20 5 11	S173	Melb	Vic	76Ha	Nestle	Biscuit	20	5	11

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The Star Schema



PRODUCT

product_key
product_name
category
brand
color
supplier_name

LOCATION

location_key
store
street_address
city
state
country
region

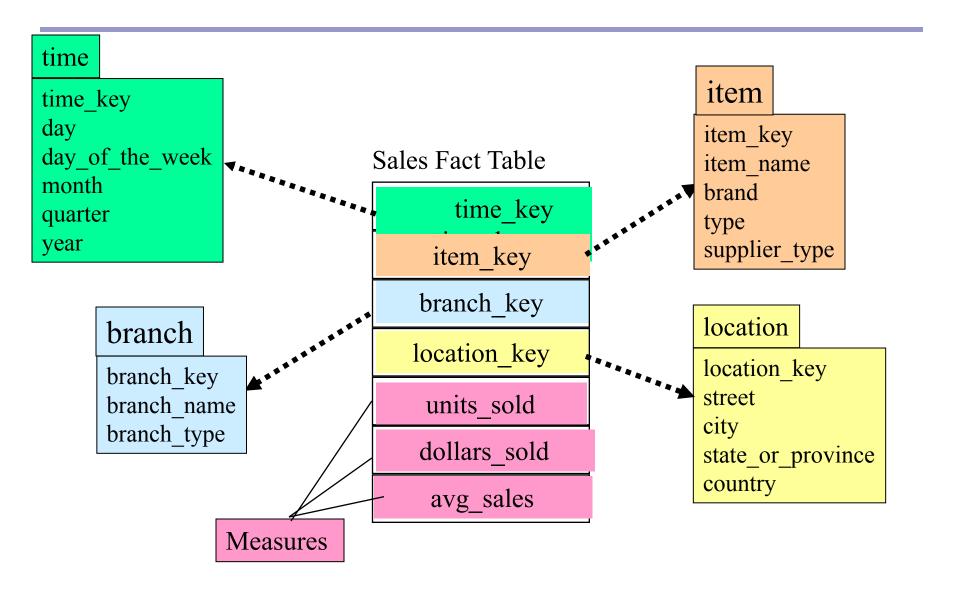
Think why:

- (1) Denormalized once from the universal schema
- (2) Controlled redundancy

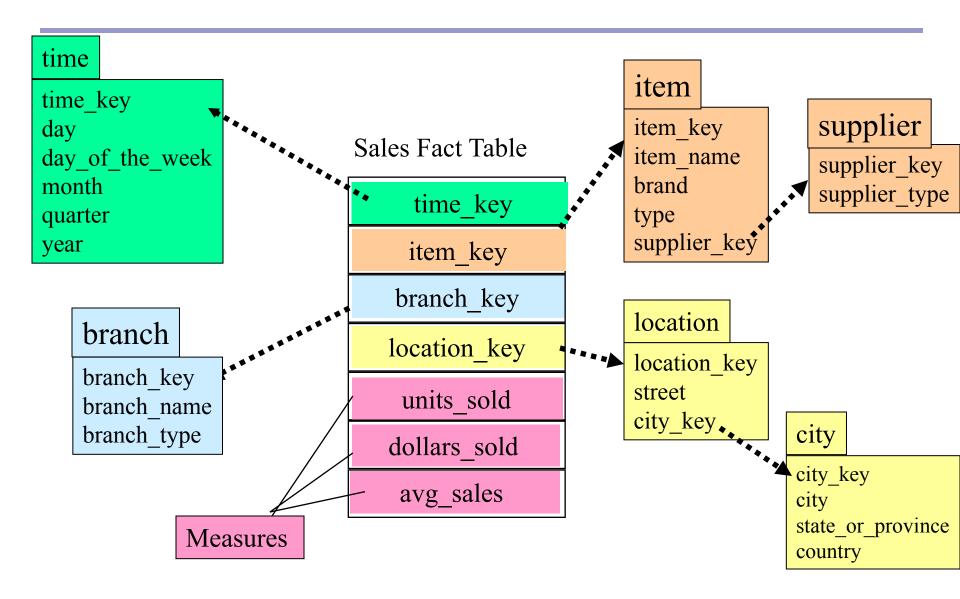
Typical Models for Data Warehouses

- Modeling data warehouses: dimensions & measures
 - Star schema: A fact table in the middle connected to a set of dimension tables
 - Snowflake schema: A refinement of star schema where some dimensional hierarchy is normalized into a set of smaller dimension tables, forming a shape similar to snowflake
 - <u>Fact constellations</u>: Multiple fact tables share dimension tables, viewed as a collection of stars, therefore called galaxy schema or fact constellation

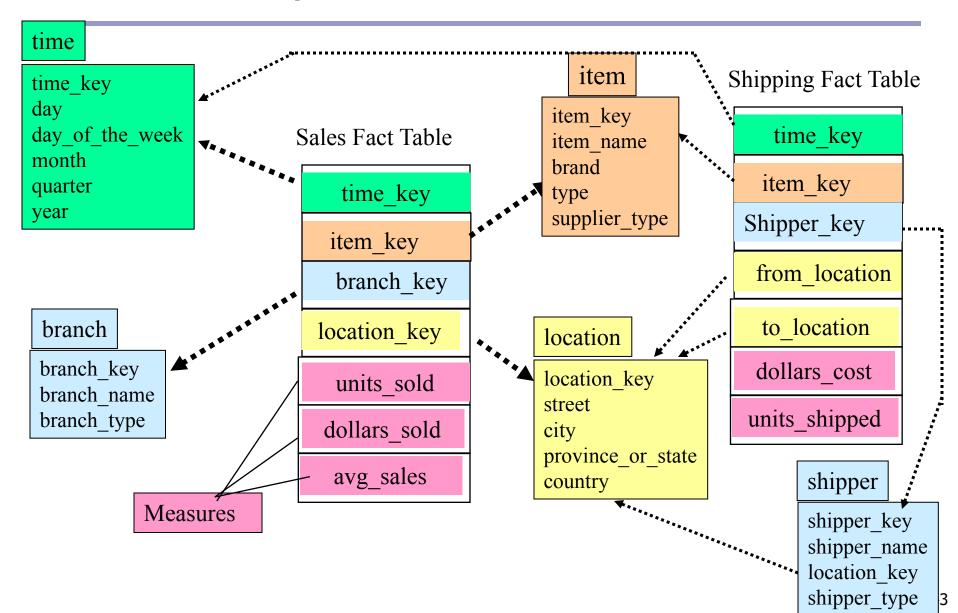
Example of Star Schema



Example of Snowflake Schema



Example of Fact Constellation



Advantages of Star Schema

- Facts and dimensions are clearly depicted
 - dimension tables are relatively static, data is loaded (append mostly) into fact table(s)
 - easy to comprehend (and write queries)

"Find total sales per product-category in our stores in Europe"

```
SELECT PRODUCT.category, SUM(SALES.amount)
FROM SALES, PRODUCT,LOCATION
WHERE SALES.product_key = PRODUCT.product_key
AND SALES.location_key = LOCATION.location_key
AND LOCATION.region="Europe"
GROUP BY PRODUCT.category
```

Operations: Slice (Loc.Region.Europe) + Pivot (Prod.category)

Query Language

Query Language

Two approaches:

GROUP BY PRODUCT.category

- Using relational DB technology: SQL (with extensions such as CUBE/PIVOT/UNPIVOT)
- Using multidimensional technology: MDX

```
SELECT PRODUCT.category,
                                      SELECT
SUM(SALES.amount)
                                      {[PRODUCT].[category]} on ROWS,
        SALES, PRODUCT, LOCATION
                                      {[MEASURES].[amount]} on COLUMNS
WHERE SALES.product key =
                                              [SALES]
                                      FROM
PRODUCT.product key
                                      WHERE ([LOCATION].[region].[Europe])
        SALES.location_key =
AND
LOCATION.location key
        LOCATION.region="Europe"
AND
```

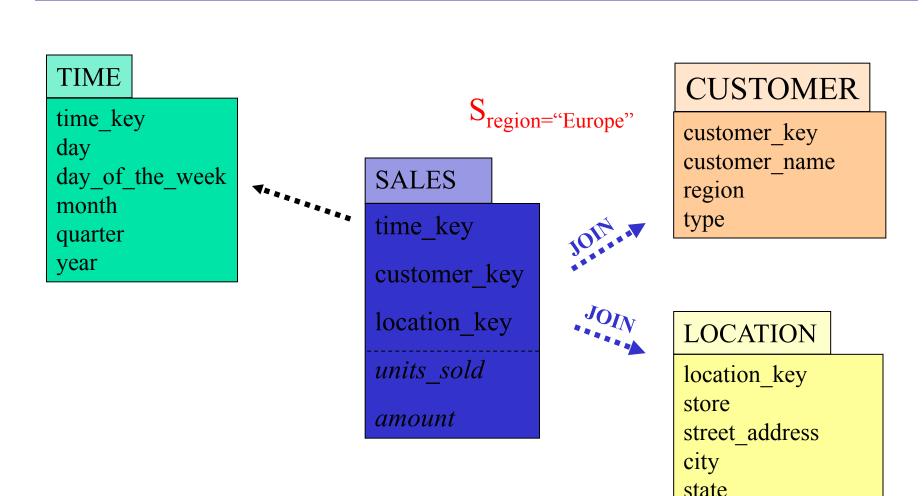
Operations: Slice (Loc.Region.Europe) + Pivot (Prod.category, Measures.amnt)

Physical Model + Query Processing Techniques

Physical Model + Query Processing Techniques

- Two main approaches:
 - Using relational DB technology: ROLAP
 - Using multidimensional technology: MOLAP
- Hybrid: HOLAP
 - Base cuboid: ROLAP
 - Other cuboids: MOLAP

Q1: Selection on low-cardinality attributes



- Ignoring the final GROUP BY for now
- Omitting the Product dimension

country

region

Indexing OLAP Data: Bitmap Index

(1) BI on dimension tables

- Index on an attribute (column) with low distinct values
- Each distinct values, v, is associated with a n-bit vector (n = #rows)
 - The +th bit is set if the +th row of the table has the value v for the indexed column
- Multiple BIs can be efficiently combined to enable optimized scan of the table

Custom

Cust	Region	Type
C1	Asia	Retail
C2	Europe	Dealer
C3	Asia	Dealer
C4	America	Retail
C5	Europe	Dealer

BI on Customer.Region

V	bitmap
Asia	10100
Europe	0 1 0 0 1
America	00010

Indexing OLAP Data: Bitmap Index /2

- Bitmap join index (BI on Fact Table Joined with Dimension tables)
 - Conceptually, perform a join, map each dimension value to the bitmap of corresponding fact table rows.

```
-- ORACLE SYNTAX –

CREATE BITMAP INDEX sales_cust_region_bjix

ON sales(customer.cust_region)

FROM sales, customer

WHERE sales.cust_id = customers.cust_id;
```

Indexing OLAP Data: Bitmap Index /3

Sales

time	customer	loc	Sale
101	C1	100	1
173	C1	200	2
208	C2	100	3
863	C3	200	5
991	C1	100	8
1001	C2	200	13
1966	C4	100	21
2017	C5	200	34

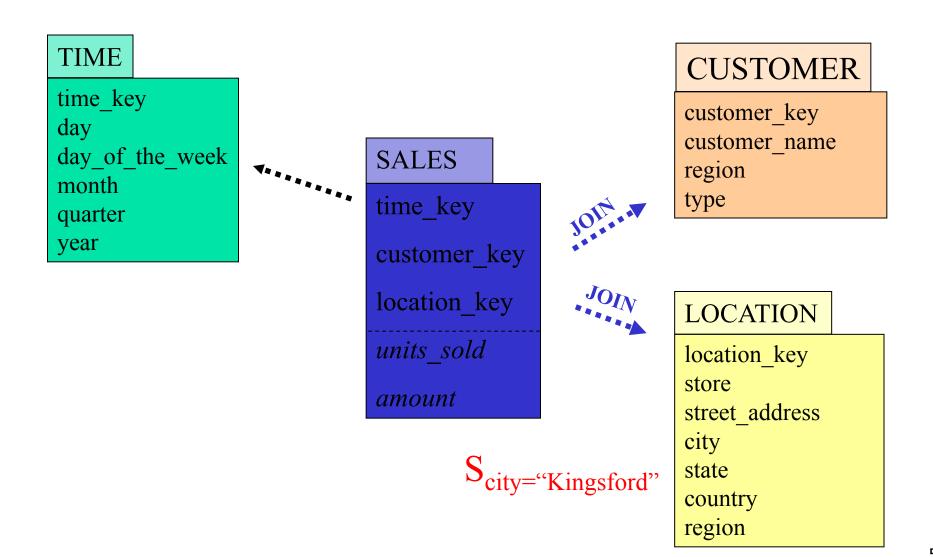
Customer

Cust	Region	Type
C1	Asia	Retail
C2	Europe	Dealer
C3	Asia	Dealer
C4	America	Retail
C5	Europe	Dealer

BI on Sales(Customer.Region)

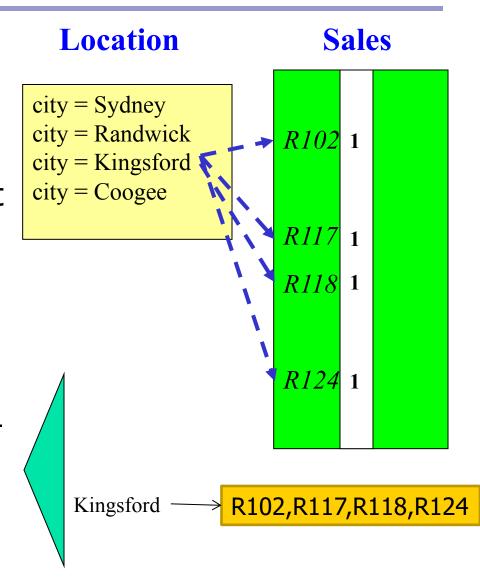
V	bitmap
Asia	11011000
Europe	00100101
America	00000010

Q2: Selection on high-cardinality attributes

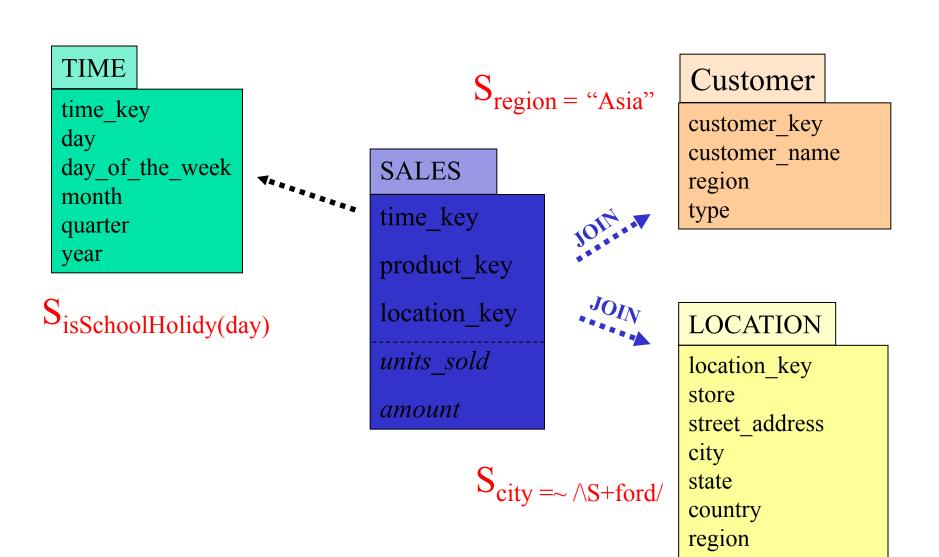


Indexing OLAP Data: Join Indices

- Join index relates the values of the <u>dimensions</u> of a star schema to <u>rows</u> in the fact table.
 - a join index on city
 maintains for each distinct
 city a list of ROW-IDs of
 the tuples recording the
 sales in the city
- Join indices can span multiple dimensions OR
 - can be implemented as bitmapindexes (per dimension)
 - use bit-op for multiple-joins

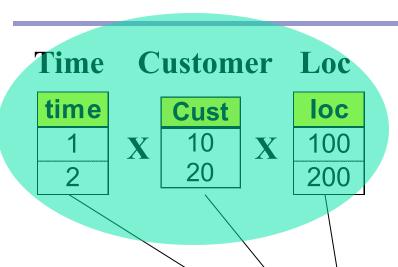


Q3: Arbitrary selections on Dimensions



Chap 4.4 in [JPT10]

Star Query and Star Join (Cont.)



Usually only part of the dim tables because of the selection predicates



Sales

millions of tuples

time	cust	loc	sold
▼ 1	10	100	7
1	10	150	13
1	20	150	2
_* 2	20	200	16
1000	2000	500	86

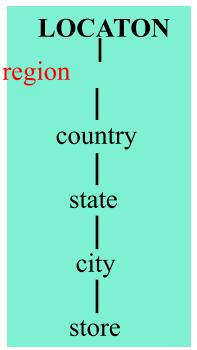
thousands of tuples <

time	cust	loc
1	10	100
1	10	200
1	20	100
1	20	200
2	10	100
2	10	200
2	20	100
2	20	200

Sales $\triangleright \triangleleft \sigma_1(Time) \triangleright \triangleleft \sigma_2(Cust) \triangleright \triangleleft$ $\sigma_3(Loc) \rightarrow$ Sales $\triangleright \triangleleft (\sigma_1(Time) \times \sigma_2(Cust) \times \sigma_3(Loc))$

Q4: Coarse-grain Aggregations

- "Find total sales per customer type in our stores in Europe"
 - Join-index will prune ¾ of the data (uniform sales), but the remaining ¼ is still large (several millions transactions)
 - Index is unclustered
- High-level aggregations are expensive!!!!!
 - ⇒Long Query Response Times
 - ⇒Pre-computation is necessary
 - ⇒Pre-computation is most beneficial



Cuboids = GROUP BYs

 Multidimensional aggregation = selection on corresponding cuboid



 σ_1 selects some Years, σ_2 selects some Brands, σ_3 selects some Cities,

```
GB_{(type, city)}(\sigma_{1'2'3'}(Cuboid(Year, Type, City)))
```

- Materialize some/all of the cuboids
 - A complex decision involving cuboid sizes, query workload, and physical organization

Two Issues

- How to store the materialized cuboids?
- How to compute the cuboids efficiently?

CUBE BY in ROLAP

Sales		Product				
		1	2	3	4	ALL
	1	454	1	1	925	1379
4)	2	468	800	1	1	1268
Store	3	296	1	240	1	536
	4	652	1	540	745	1937
	ALL	1870	800	780	1670	5120

4 Group-bys here:
(store,product)
(store)
(product)
0

- Need to write4 queries!!!
- Compute them independently

Store	Product_key	sum(amout)
1	1	454
1	4	925
2	1	468
2	2	800
3	1	296
3	3	240
4	1	625
4	3	240
4	4	745
1	ALL	1379
2	ALL	1268
3	ALL	536
4	ALL	1937
ALL	1	1870
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ALL	3	780
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ALL	ALL	5120

SELECT LOCATION.store, SALES.product_key, SUM (amount)

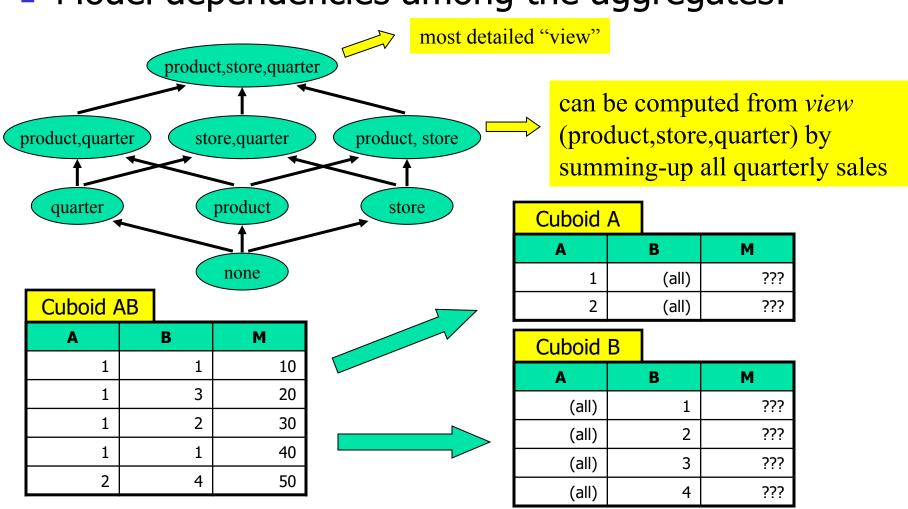
FROM SALES, LOCATION

WHERE SALES.location_key=LOCATION.location_key

CUBE BY SALES.product key, LOCATION.store

Top-down Approach

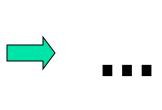
Model dependencies among the aggregates:

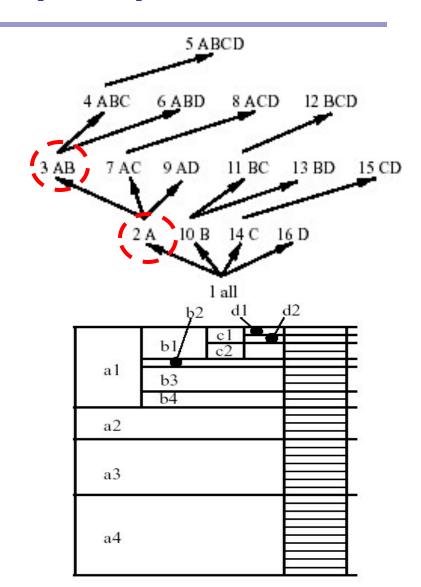


Bottom-Up Approach (BUC)

- BUC (Beyer & Ramakrishnan, SIGMOD'99)
- Ideas
 - Compute the cube from bottom up
 - Divide-and-conquer
- A simpler recursive version:
 - BUC-SR

Α	В	
1	1	
1	3	
1	2	
1	1	
2		





Understanding Recursion /1

- Powerful computing/problem-solving techniques
- Examples
 - Factorial:

•
$$f(n) = 1$$
, if $n = 1$

•
$$f(n) = f(n-1) * n$$
, if $n \ge 1$

- Quick sort:
 - Sort([x]) = [x]

$$f(0) = 0! = ???$$

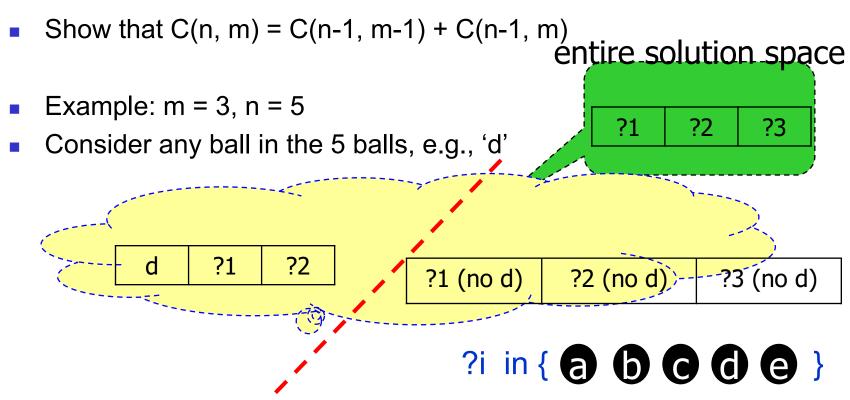
Sort([x1, ..., pivot, ... xn]) = sort[ys] ++ sort[zs]), where

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ys = [x \mid x \text{ in } xi, x \leq pivot]
zs = [x \mid x \leftarrow xi, x > pivot]
```

List comprehension in Haskell or python

Understanding Recursion /2

 Let C(n, m) be the number of ways to select m balls from n numbered balls



Key Points

- Sub-problems need to be "smaller", so that a simple/trivial boundary case can be reached
- Divide-and-conquer
 - There may be multiple ways the entire solution space can be divided into disjoint sub-spaces, each of which can be conquered recursively.

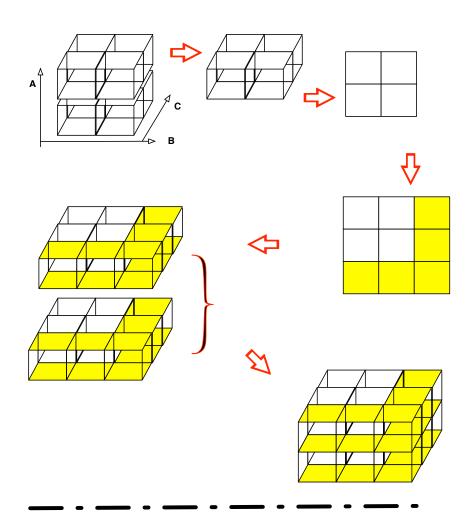
Geometric Intuition /1

Reduce Cube(in 2D) to Cube(in 1D)

	b1	b2	b3	
a1	M11	M12	M13	[Step 1]
a2	M21	M22	M23	[Step 1]
	[Step 2]	[Step 2]	[Step 2]	[Step 3]
	h1	h2	h3	
[a1] ×	M11	M12	M13	[Step 1]
[a2] ×	M21	M22	M23	[Step 1]
[*] ×	[Step 2]	[Step 2]	[Step 2]	[Step 3]

Geometric Intuition /2

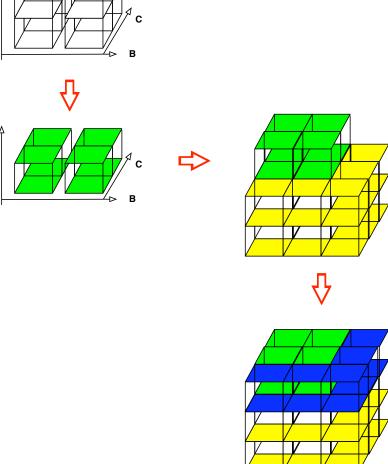
Reduce Cube(in 3D) to Cube(in 2D)



Geometric Intuition /3

A C

Reduce Cube(in 3D) to Cube(in 2D)



BUC-SR (Simple Recursion)*

- BUC-SR(data, dims)
 - If (dims is empty)
 - Output (sum(data))
 - Else
 - Dims = [dim1, rest_of_dims]
 - For each distinct value v of dim1
 - slice v = slice of data on "dim1 = v"
 - BUC-SR(slice_v, rest_of_dims)
 - data' = Project(data, rest_of_dims)
 - BUC-SR(data', rest_of_dims)

Boundary case: data is essentially a list of measure values

General case:

1)Slice on dim1. Call BUC-SR recursively for each slice

2)Project out dim1, and call BUC-SR on it recursively

Input Internal Output **Output Example** [{r1-r4}, B] В M B M A M B * * * * [{r5}, B] В B M M M В * * [{r1-r5}, AB] M B [{r1'-r5'}, B] B M A В M **r**2 * M B **r**3 * r4 * r5 * * *

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[{r1-r5}, ABC]

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r1	A	В	C	M
r2	1	1	1	10
r3	1	1	2	20
	1	2	1	30
r4	1	3	1	40
r5	2	1	1	50
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MOLAP

- (Sparse) array-based multidimensional storage engine
- Pros:
 - small size (esp. for dense cubes)
 - fast in indexing and query processing
- Cons:
 - scalability
 - conversion from relational data

Multidimensional Array

f(time, item) = 4*time + item

time	item	dollars_sold
Q1	home entertainment	605
Q2	home entertainment	680
Q3	home entertainment	812
Q4	home entertainment	927
Q1	computer	825
Q2	computer	952
Q3	computer	1023
Q4	computer	1038
Q1	phone	14
Q2	phone	31
Q3	phone	30
Q4	phone	38
Q1	security	400
Q2	security	512
Q3	security	501
Q4	security	580



Mappings

time	value
Q1	0
Q2	1
Q3	2
Q4	3

item	value
home entertain ment	0
computer	1
phone	2
security	3

time	item	dollars_s old
0	0	605
1	0	680
2	0	812
3	0	927
0	1	825
1	1	952
2	1	1023
3	1	1038
0	2	14
1	2	31
2	2	30
3	2	38
0	3	400
1	3	512
2	3	501
3	3	580

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Multidimensional Array

Step 3': If **sparse**

Step 3: If dense, only need to store sorted slots

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offset	dollars_sold
0	605
1	825
2	14
3	400
4	680
5	952
6	31
7	512
8	812
9	1023
10	30
11	501
12	927
13	1038
14	38
15	580



- Think: how to decode a slot?
- Multidimensional array is typically sparse
 - Use sparse array (i.e., offset + value)
 - Could use chunk to further reduce the space
- Space usage:
 - (d+1)*n*4 vs 2*n*4
- HOLAP:
 - Store all non-base cuboid in MD array
 - Assign a value for ALL

Dense MD array	
	605
	825
	14
	400
	680
	952
	31
	512
	812
,	1023
	30
	501
	927
	1038
	38
	580