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Unit-2

Overview and concepts
Data Warehousing and
Business Intelligence

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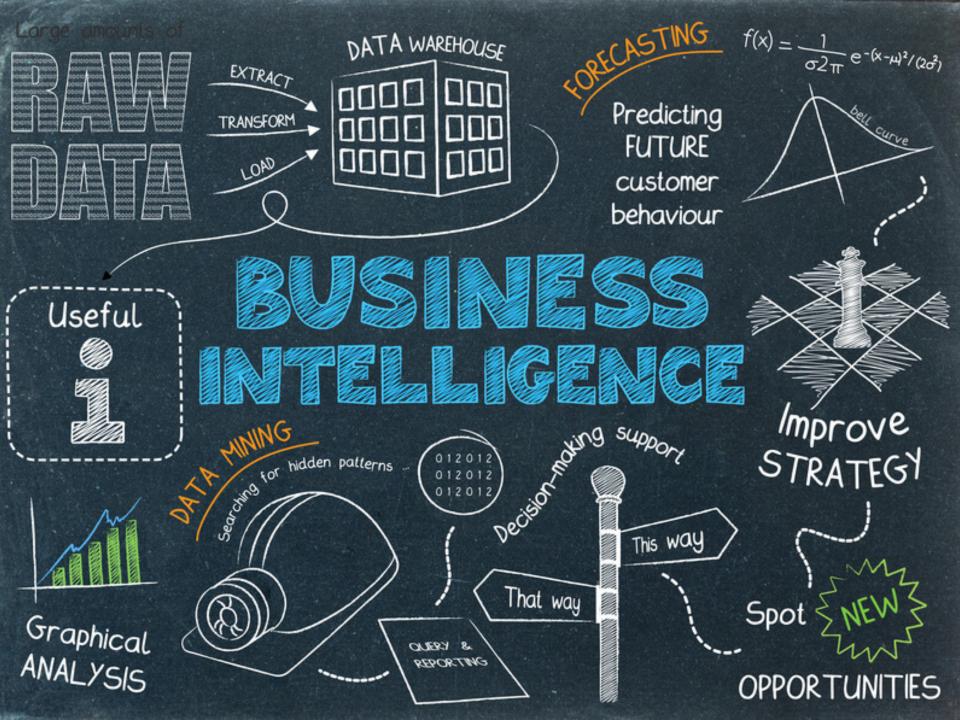
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Why Reporting & Analyzing Data?

- The amount of data stored in databases is growing exponentially & databases are now measured in gigabytes(GBs) and terabytes(TBs).
- However row data does not provide useful information.
- In today's highly competitive business environment, companies need to turn these terabytes of raw data into some **useful information**.
- The general methods of analysis/reporting can be broadly classified into two categories: non-parametric analysis & parametric analysis

Example

 Managers will generally be more interested in actual data and non-parametric analysis results, while engineers will be more concerned with parametric analysis.



What is Business Intelligence?

- BI technologies provide **historical**, **current and predictive views** of business operations.
- Common functions of business intelligence technologies include reporting, online analytical processing, analytics, data mining, process mining, business performance management, text mining, predictive analytics and prescriptive analytics.
- BI technologies can handle large amounts of structured and sometimes unstructured data to help business & also identify, develop new strategic business opportunities.
- Identifying new opportunities and implementing an effective strategy based on insights can provide businesses with a competitive market advantage and long-term stability.

Business Intelligence (Cont..)

- Business intelligence (BI) make up the strategies and technologies used by enterprises for the data analysis of business information.
- BI tools access and analyze data sets and present analytical findings in reports, summaries, dashboards, graphs, charts and maps to provide users with detailed intelligence about the state of the business.
- Typical BI infrastructure components are as follows:
 - Software solution for gathering, cleansing, integrating, analyzing and sharing data.
- It produces analysis and provides believable information to help making effective and high quality business decisions.

Business Intelligence (Cont..)

- The most common kinds of business intelligence systems are:
 - MIS Management Information Systems
 - CRM Customer Relationship Management
 - EIS Executive Information Systems
 - DSS Decision Support Systems
 - GIS Geographic Information Systems
 - OLAP Online Analytical Processing

Introduction to Data Warehouse

- Collections of databases that work together are called data warehouses.
- This makes it possible to integrate data from multiple databases
 & it is used to help individuals and organizations make better decisions.
- A database consists of one or more files that need to be stored on a computer.
- In large organizations, databases are typically not stored on the individual computers of employees but in a central system (server).

Data Warehouse (Cont..)

- A server is a computer system that provides a service over a network.
 The server is often located in a specific place with controlled access, so only authorized person can get physical access for it.
- In a typical setting, the database files reside on the server, but it can be accessed from many different computers in the organization.
- As the number and complexity of databases grows, we start referring to them together as a data warehouse.
- The ultimate goal of a database is not just to store data, but to help businesses make decisions based on that data.
- A data warehouse supports this goal by providing an architecture and tools to systematically organize and understand data from multiple databases.

Data Warehouse (Cont..)

 According to William H. Inmon, a leading architect in the construction of data warehouse systems, "A data warehouse is a subject-oriented, integrated, time-variant, and nonvolatile collection of data in support of management's decision making process".

Features of Data Warehousing

- Subject-oriented
- Integrated
- Time-variant
- Nonvolatile

Features of Data Warehouse (Cont..)

Integrated:

- A data warehouse is usually constructed by integrating multiple heterogeneous sources, such as relational databases, flat files, and on-line transaction records.
- Data cleaning and data integration techniques are applied to ensure consistency in naming conventions, encoding structures, attribute measures, and so on.

. Time-variant:

- Data are stored to provide information from a historical perspective (e.g., the past 5–10 years).
- Every key structure in the data warehouse contains, either implicitly or explicitly, an element of time.

Features of Data Warehouse (Cont..)

Nonvolatile:

- A data warehouse is always a physically separate store of data transformed from the application data found in the operational environment.
- Due to this separation, a data warehouse does not require transaction processing, recovery, and concurrency control mechanisms.
- It usually requires only two operations in data accessing: initial loading of data and access of data.

Data Warehouse Design Process

A data warehouse can be built using a top-down approach, a bottom-up approach, or a combination of both.

Top Down Approach

- The top-down approach starts with the overall design and planning.
- It is useful in cases where the technology is mature and well known, and where the business problems that must be solved are clear and well understood.

Bottom up Approach

- The bottom-up approach starts with experiments and prototypes.
- This is useful in the early stage of business modeling and technology development.
- It allows an organization to move forward at considerably less expense and to evaluate the benefits of the technology before making significant commitments.

Combined Approach

 In the combined approach, an organization can exploit the planned and strategic nature of the top-down approach while retaining the rapid implementation and opportunistic application of the bottom-up approach.

Types of Data Warehouse

- The three main types of data warehouses are:
 - Enterprise Data Warehouse
 - Operational Data Store
 - Data Mart

Data Warehouse Types (Cont..)

Enterprise Data Warehouse:

- Enterprise Data Warehouse is a centralized warehouse, which provides decision support service across the enterprise.
- It offers a unified approach to organizing and representing data.
- It also provides the ability to classify data according to the subject and give
 access according to those divisions.

Operational Data Store:

- Operational Data Store, also called ODS, is data store required when neither data warehouse nor OLTP systems support organizations reporting needs.
- It is widely preferred for routine activities like storing records...
- In ODS, Data warehouse is refreshed in real time.

Data Warehouse Types (Cont..)

Data Mart:

- A Data Mart is a subset of the data warehouse.
- It specially designed for specific segments like sales, finance, sales, or finance.
- In an independent data mart, data can collect directly from sources.

Introduction to Data Marts

- A data mart is a simple form of a data warehouse that is focused on a single subject (or functional area), such as Sales or Finance or Marketing.
- Data marts are often built and controlled by a single department within an organization, given their single-subject focus, data marts usually draw data from only a few sources.
- The sources could be internal operational systems, a central data warehouse, or external data.

Introduction to Data Marts (Cont..)

- A data mart is a repository of data that is designed to serve a particular community of knowledge workers.
- The difference between a data warehouse and a data mart can be confusing because the two terms are sometimes used incorrectly as synonyms.
- A data warehouse is a central repository for all an organization's data.
- The goal of a data mart, however, is to meet the particular demands of a specific group of users within the organization, such as human resource management (HRM).
- Generally, an organization's data marts are subsets of the organization's data warehouse.

Reasons for Creating a Data Marts

- Easy access to frequently needed data
- Creates collective view by a group of users
- Improves end-user response time
- Ease of creation
- Lower cost than implementing a full data warehouse
- Potential users are more clearly defined than in a full data warehouse
- Contains only business essential data and is less cluttered

Data Warehouse v/s Data Mart

Data warehouse:

- Holds multiple subject areas
- Holds very detailed information
- Works to integrate all data sources
- Size (typical) 100 GB-TB+
- Implementation Time : Months to Years

Data mart:

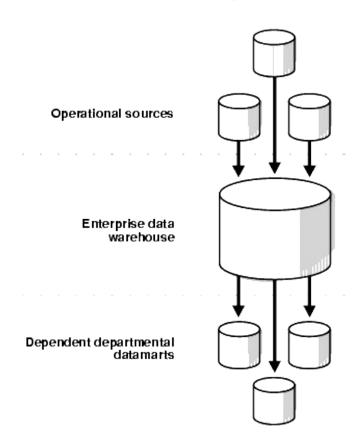
- Often holds only one subject area- for example, Finance, or Sales
- May hold more summarized data
- Concentrates on integrating information from a given subject area or set of source systems
- Size (typical) < 100GB
- Implementation Time : Months

Types of Data Marts

- There are three kinds of Data-Marts (DMs), which are as follows:
 - 1) **Dependent DM**: Created from a data warehouse to a separate physical data-store. (build over data warehouse physically)
 - 2) Independent DM: Created from operational systems and have separate physical data-store.
 - 3) Logical or Hybrid DM: Exists as a subset of data warehouse. (build over data warehouse logically)

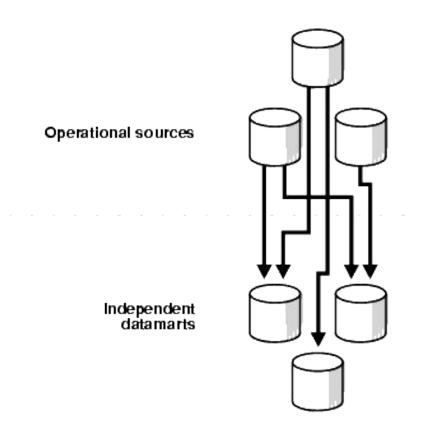
1) Dependent Data Marts

- A dependent data mart allows you to unite your organization's data in one data warehouse.
- This gives you the usual advantages of centralization.



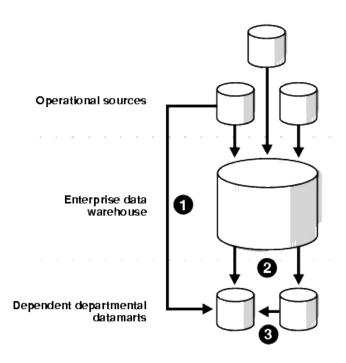
2) Independent Data Marts

- An independent data mart is created without the use of a central data warehouse.
- This could be desirable for smaller groups within an organization.



3) Hybrid Data Mart

- A hybrid data mart allows you to combine input from sources other than a data warehouse.
- This could be useful for many situations, especially when you need ad hoc integration, such as after a new group or product is added to the organization.



Meta data

- Metadata are data about data.
- When meta data is used in a data warehouse, that defines warehouse objects.
- Metadata are created for the data names and definitions of the given warehouse.
- Additional metadata are created and captured for time stamping any extracted data, the source of the extracted data, and missing fields that have been added by data cleaning or integration processes.

Metadata – Example

To Describe Meta Data of a Book Store:

- Name of Book
- Summary of the Book
- The Date of publication
- High level description of what it contains
- How you can find the book
- Author of the book
- Whether the book is available OR not

The information helps you to:

- Search for the book
- Access the book
- Understand the book before you access OR buy it.

Thank you!