



# The Power BI Desktop Workflow

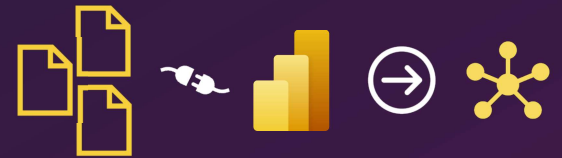
Query Editor

*Data Preparation*

Clean &  
Transform

Extract  
Transform  
Load

Query Editor



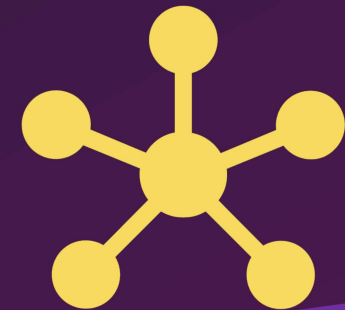
Data & Model View

*Data Analysis*

Inspect, Explore &  
Understand Data

View & Edit  
Relationships  
between Tables

Data Model

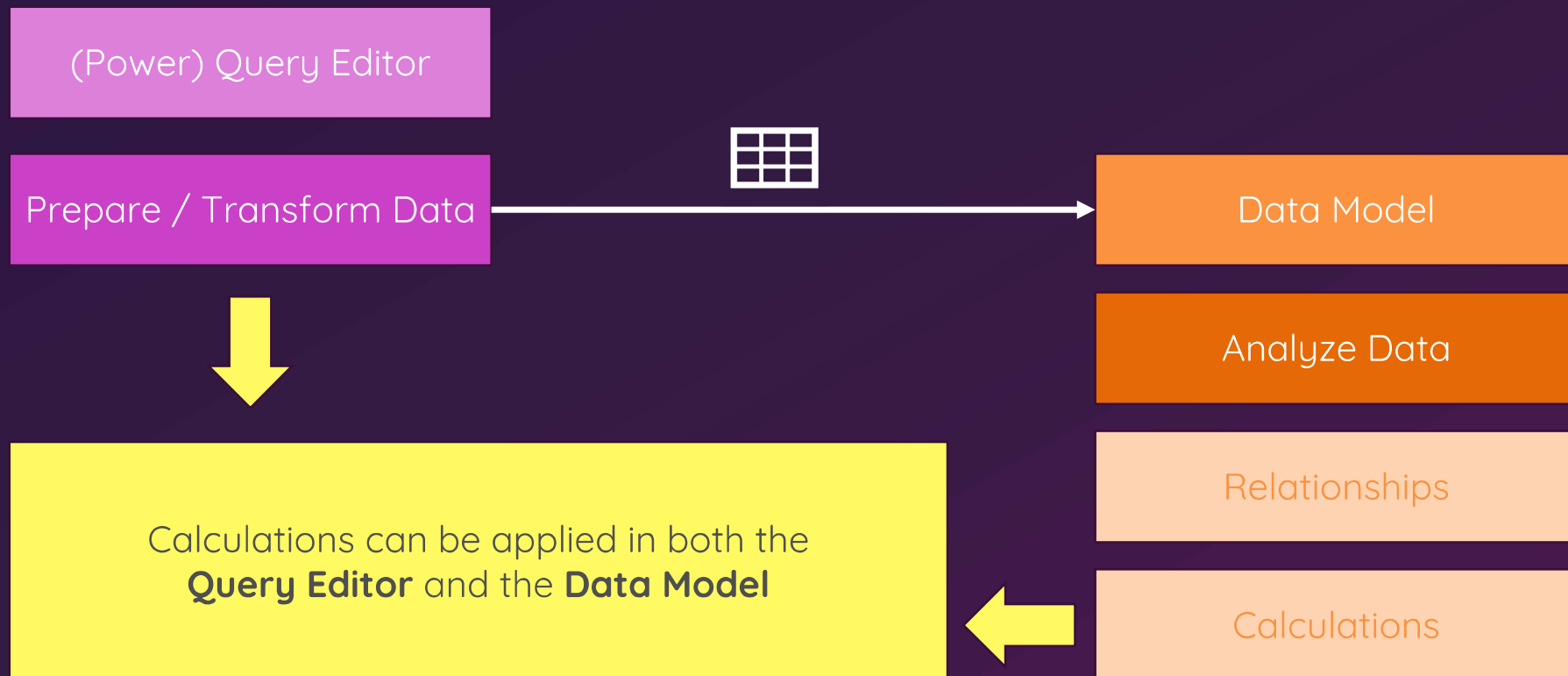


Report View

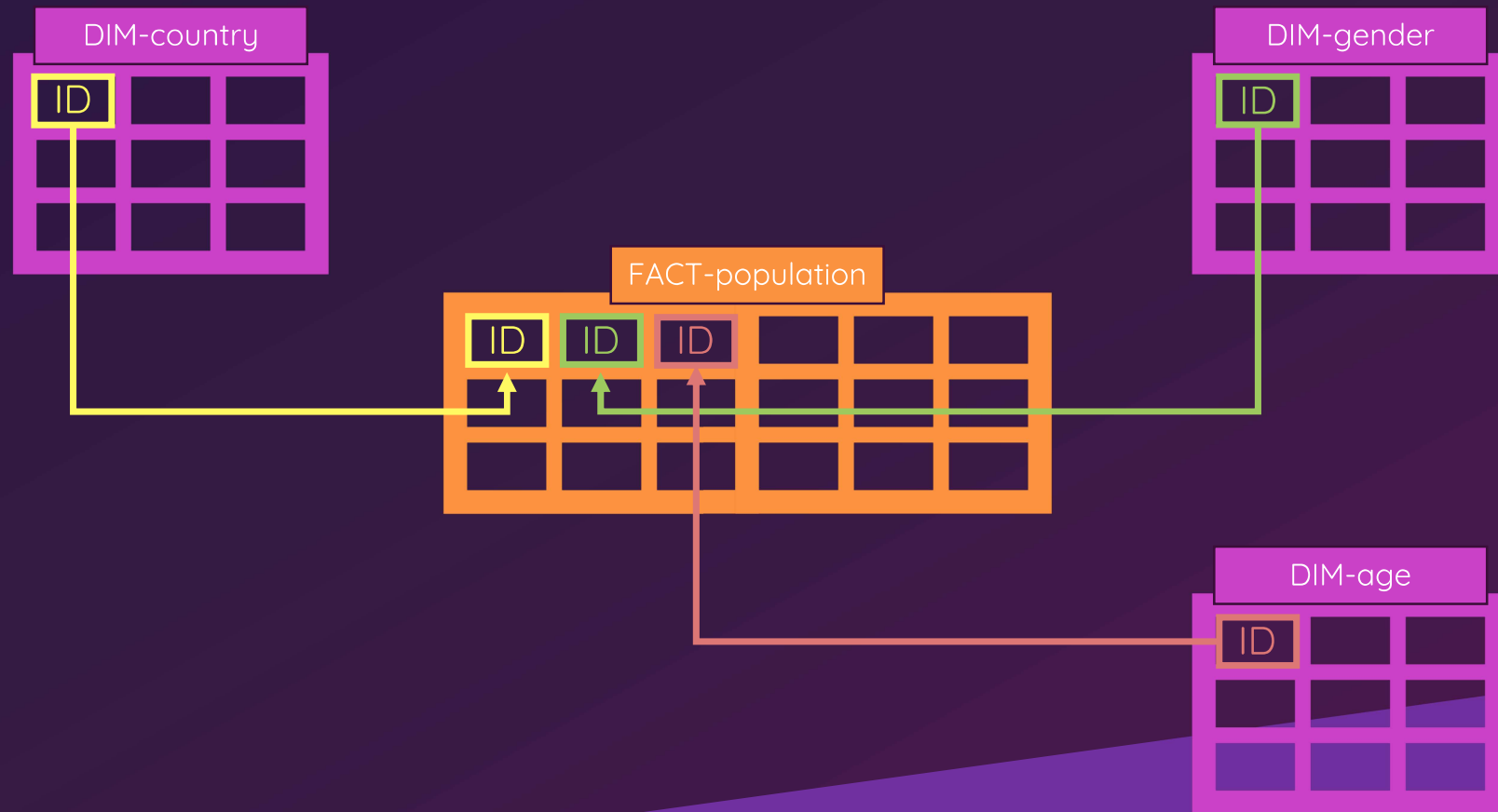
*Data Visualization*

Create Reports with  
Multiple Visuals

# Query Editor vs Data Model



# Relationships to the Rescue!





# Understanding Relationships

Cardinality

Cross Filter Direction

Active Properties

Relationship Type

# Different Kinds Of Data Relationships



## One-to-Many (1:n)

One record in table A has one or many related records in table B

e.g. an employee belongs to one company but a company has many employees



## Many-to-Many (n:n)

One record in table A has one or many related tables in table B – and vice versa

e.g. an employee is part of multiple projects and every project has multiple employees assigned to it

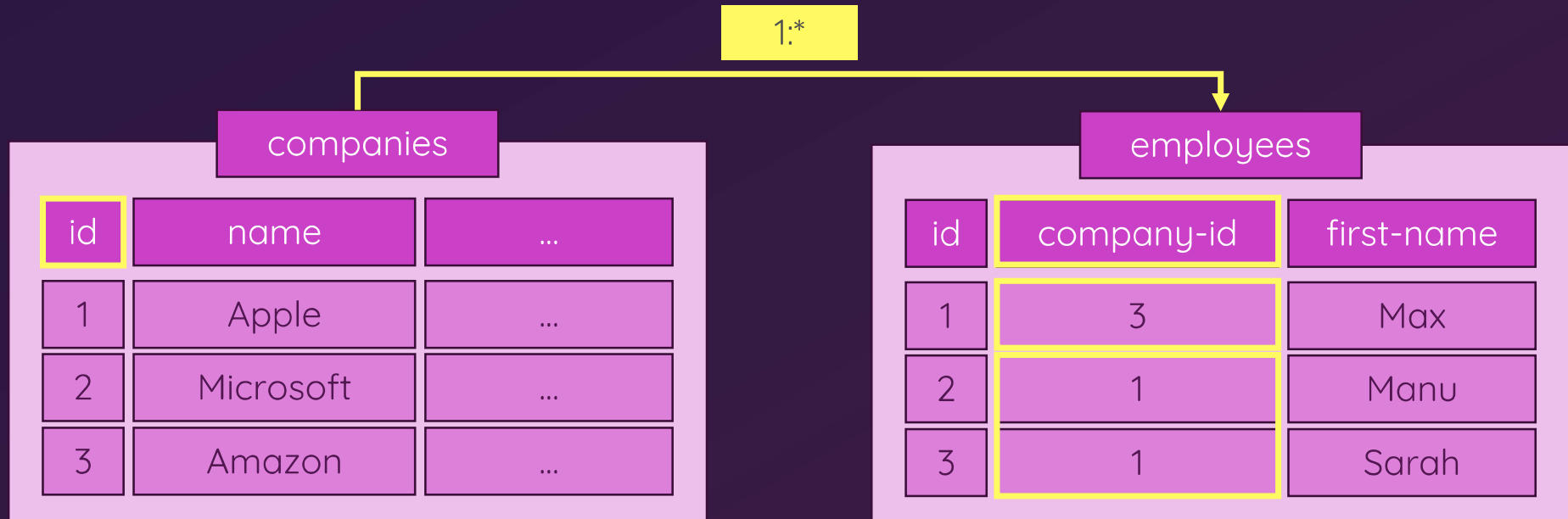


## One-to-One (1:1)

One record in table A belongs to exactly one record in table B – and vice versa

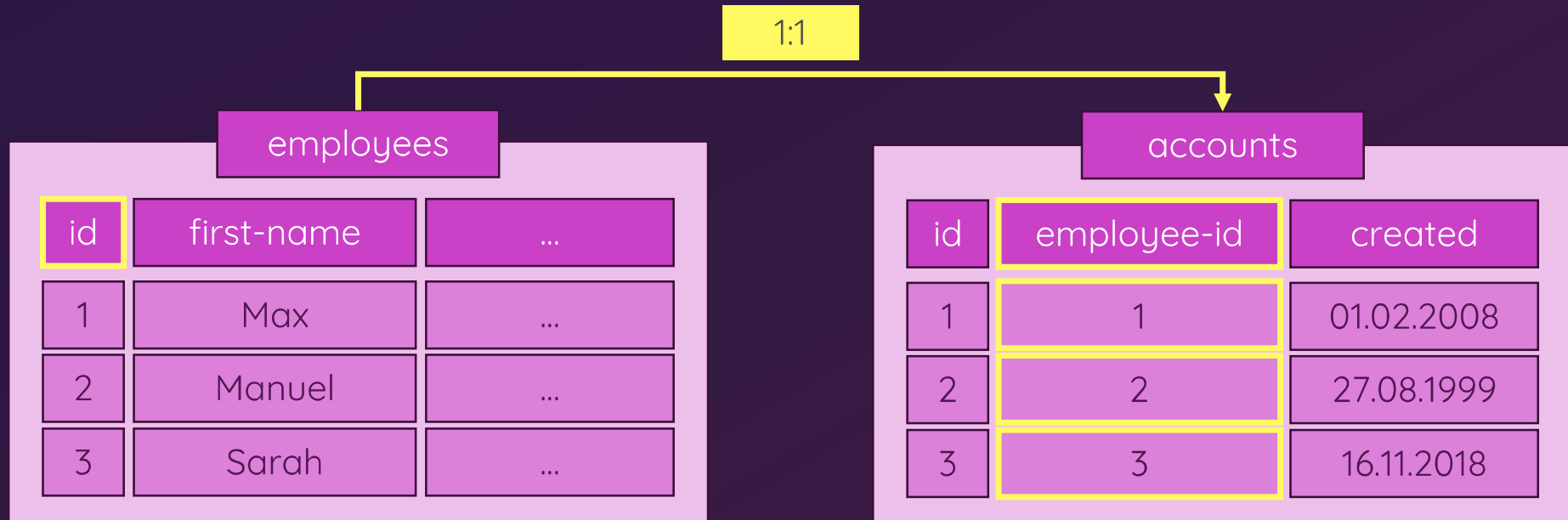
e.g. an employee has exactly one intranet account and every intranet account belongs to exactly one employee

## One to Many (1:\*)



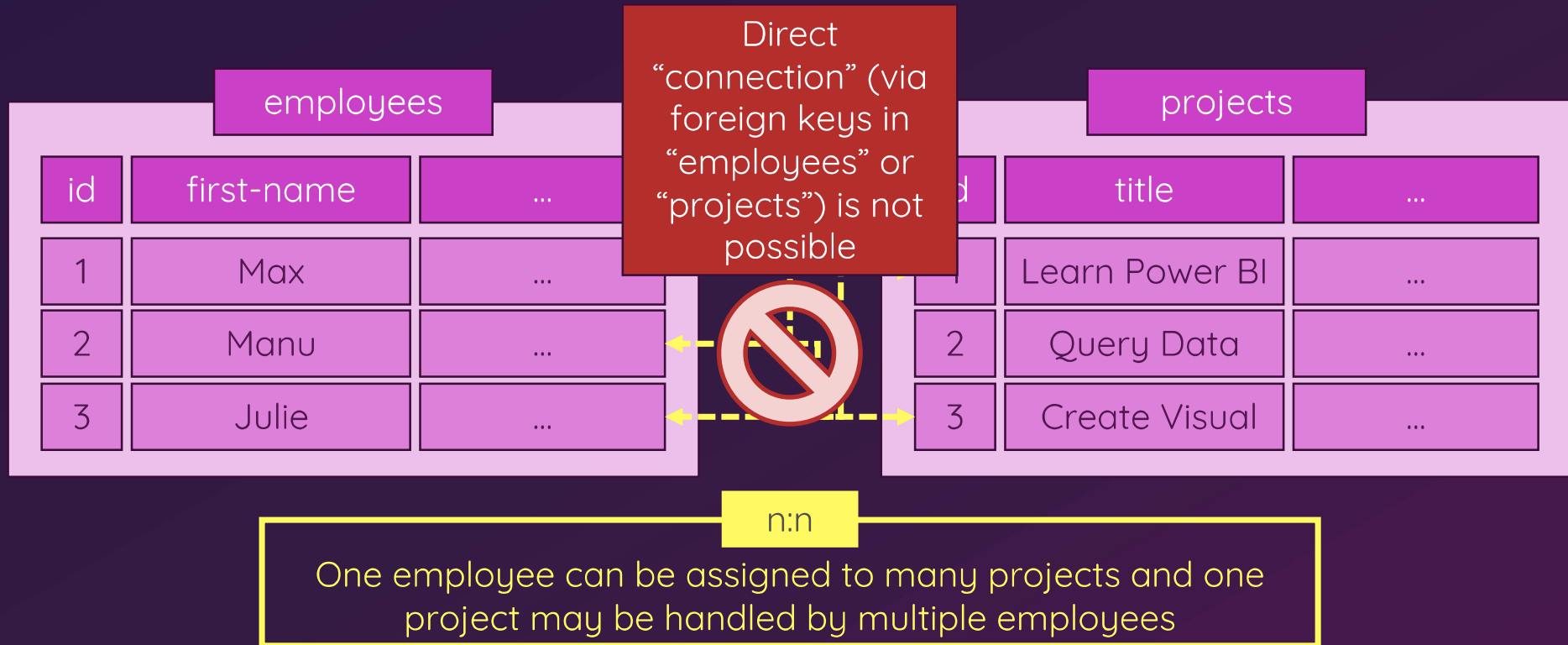
“One”: **Unique** entry for **primary key**  
 ”Many”: **One or multiple** entries for **foreign key**

## One to One (1:1)



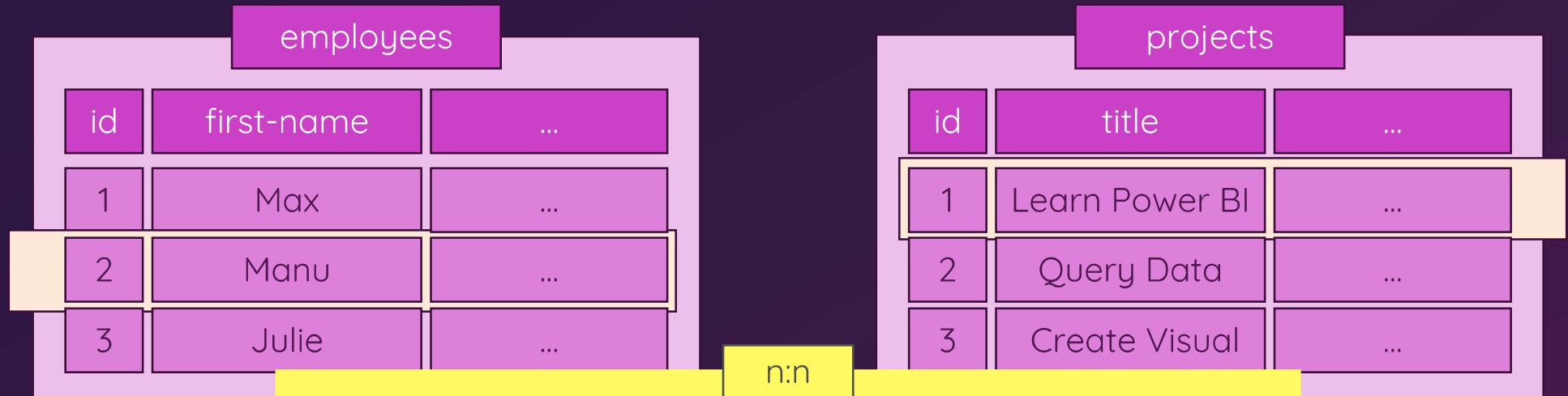
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One employee can be assigned to many projects and one project may be handled by multiple employees

An “intermediate table” is created and used to store the relations between “employees” and “projects”

projects-employees		
id	employee-id	project-id
1	2	1
2	3	1

One row per relation between the two “main tables”



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Activate / Deactivate  
Relationship

# M vs DAX (Data Analysis Expressions)

	Description	Application
M	Power Query Formula Language	Data Preparation
	Data Transformation	Before Data Model
		
DAX	Data Analysis Expression Language	Create Insights
	Analytical Data Calculations	In Data Model
	Comparable to Excel Functions	

# DAX Basics

DAX Reference

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dax/>

Syntax

Formula = ...

Data Types

String

Number

...

Operators

+

-

...

Functions

CONCATENATE()

Basics



Advanced

DAX Statements

DEFINE

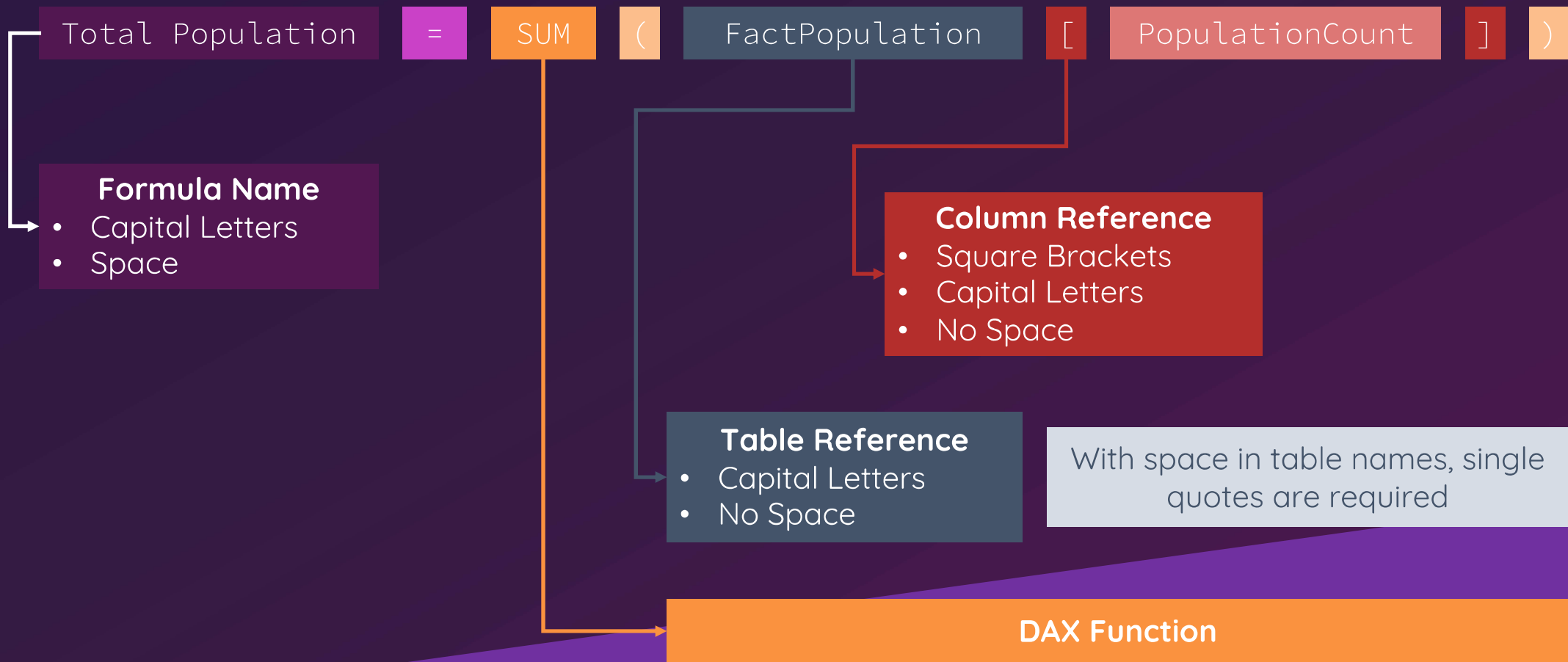
EVALUATE

ORDER BY

VAR

DAX Queries

# The Core DAX Syntax



# DAX Data Types

String (Text)

“The DAX Basics”

Whole & Decimal Numbers

564

949.59

Boolean

TRUE

FALSE

Date/Time

January 1st 2020

Currency

Blank (NA)

# DAX Operators

## Arithmetic

+

-

\*

/

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## Comparison

=

==

>

>=

<>

## Logical

&&

||

IN

## Text concat.

&





# DAX Core Functions

Type	Function	Output
Text	CONCATENATE("I Love Power", "BI")	I Love PowerBI
Information	ISNUMBER(2020)	TRUE
Logical	IF([Population]>100000, "Big", "Small")	Big      Small
Math	ROUND(352.867, 2)	352.87
Statistical	AVERAGE(Fact-Pop[Population])	
Filter	FILTER(Fact-Pop[Year]=2020)	
Date & Time	CALENDAR(DATE(2000,01,01), DATE(2020,12,31))	

## Calculated Column or Measure?

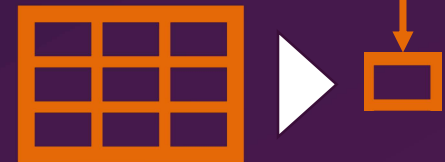
Calculated  
Column

“Perform an operation that generates  
results for each row of your table”



Measure

“Return a single result of a calculation or  
an aggregated value (e.g. Averages)”





# The "FILTER" & "CALCULATE" Functions

SUM('FACT-population'[population])



'FACT-population'[gender]="Female"

