

TASK 5: - Data Warehouse (A)

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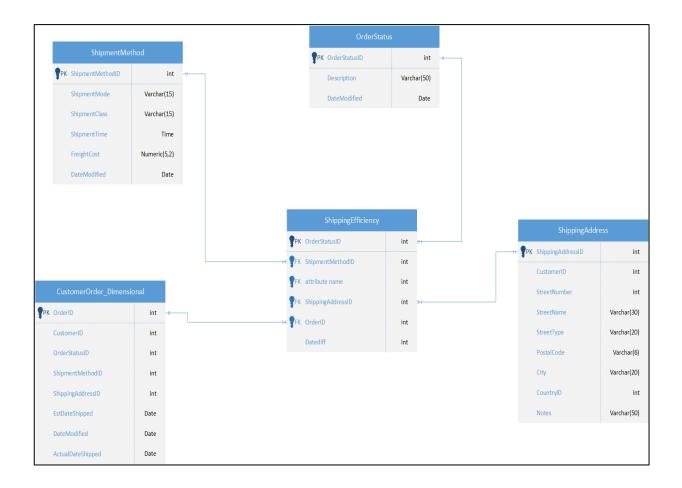
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From: Kaushal Parmar

To: Matt Kozi

Subject: New Data Mart



Regards,

Kaushal Parmar

Q 3: - Explain why referential integrity isn't a major focus of the FACT table within a data mart based on the data warehouse star schema?

- ➤ What issues would arise if update and delete were enforced within the key CONSTRAINT(s)?
- The Fact table's emphasis on referential integrity is comparatively less than in traditional transactional databases when used in a data mart inside a data warehouse, mainly when working with a star schema. This purposeful method stems from the nature and goals of data warehousing, not a result of oversight. For historical reporting, fact tables in a data warehouse are commonly used to compile vast amounts of data for analysis that span time. Summaries are placed into these tables, and once loaded, they are usually stable and do not change much. More important than preserving transactional integrity or supporting operational procedures that necessitate frequent additions or deletions is enabling sophisticated inquiries and analyses, including trend analysis across time. Thus, additional complexity and performance overheads may result from guaranteeing strict referential integrity through restrictions like foreign keys. A data warehousing environment's vital query performance and data loading procedures (ETL) could be slowed down by it.
- Moreover, there could be several practical problems if changes and deletes were strictly prohibited within the essential boundaries of the Fact table. For example, removing a record from a dimension database that a fact table reference would need cascading deletes, which could lead to the removal of enormous amounts of important historical data and have disastrous effects on data analysis. Updates may also change historical accuracy, affecting the validity of trend analysis and business intelligence findings. As a result, although referential integrity is preserved to some extent to guarantee data consistency, performance and flexibility—essential for data analysis and reporting—are given precedence in a data warehouse's Fact table.

Q 4: - Sample Data

From: Kaushal Parmar

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Hello, Matt

Greetings of the day. I have sent u SQL. File for Q (2) and Q (4) and you can see output pics as you

said at least 5 data per table.

