

Why?

- Read-optimized layer: Data is stored in a denormalized data model for better read performance and better end user usability/understanding
- The Data Mart Layer is providing typically aggregated data or data with less history (e.g. latest years only) in a denormalized data model
- Dividing independent topics, ideally one subject per data mart
- Privacy aspects
- Reduction of data volume → Queries on the whole data warehouse can become a bottleneck
- Performance/Load distribution



- Structured and "unstructured" data
- Life cycle of data with different storage areas



Hot data: High speed, expensive storage for most recent data



Cold data: Low speed, inexpensive, large storage for old data; archival data model with compression

• Metadata s an integral part of the DWH, not just an afterthought

W.H. H. Inmon, Derek Strauss, Genia Neushloss: DW 2.0: The Architecture for the Next Generation of Data Warehousing

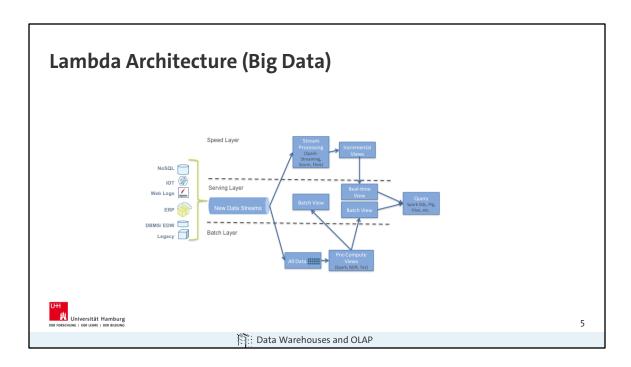


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Batch Layer

- DWH alike, correct & complete
- Output in Read-only DB, complete replacement
- Hadoop/Spark de facto standard

Speed Layer

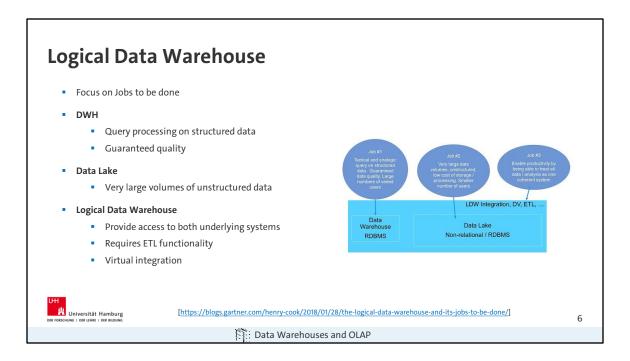
- Stream processing
- Real-time, latency is king, "batch gap"
- Correct-/completeness minor concern
- Apache Storm, Spark etc.
- Output into fast NoSQL DBs
- · Indexes most recently added data

Serving Layer

- Query processing
- Stores outputs, builds views
- Druid, Cassandra, HBase

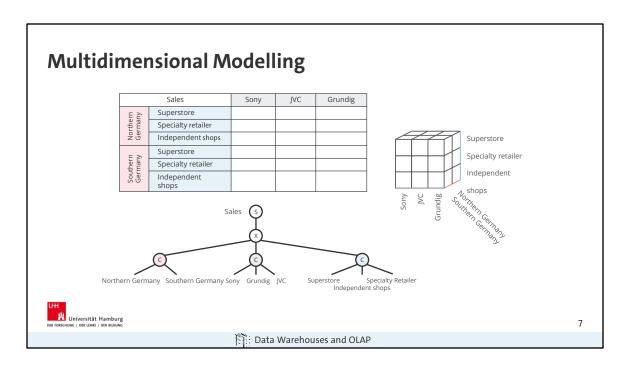
Example: Streaming service analytics

- → Speed layer: we need information about service issues → aggregate only needed to check if any threshold is hit and the system must react
- → Batch layer: analytics about user groups



Data Lakes

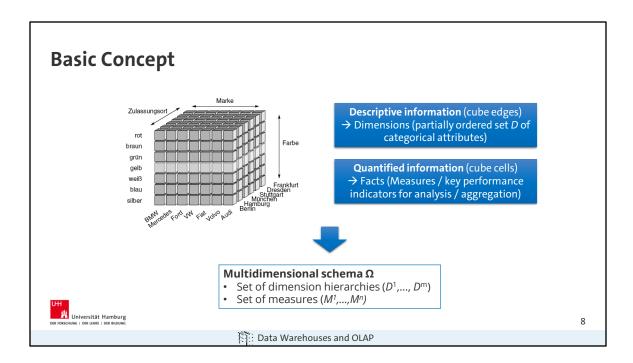
- With cheap storage costs, people promote the concept of the data lake
 - Combines data from many sources and of any type
 - Allows for conducting future analysis and not miss any opportunity
- Collect everything
 - All data, both raw sources over extended periods of time as well as any processed data
 - Decide during analysis which data is important, e.g., no "schema" until read
- Dive in anywhere
 - Enable users across multiple business units to refine, explore and enrich data on their terms
- Flexible access
 - Enable multiple data access patterns across a shared infrastructure: batch, interactive, online, search, and others



Static table also called "summary table"

Motivation: Reporting and interactive Analysis

- OLAP (Online Analytical Processing) on multidimensional data model
- Data Mining: Search for unknown patterns or relations in data
- Visualization



Central data structure: multidimensional cube

- Descriptive data (categorical attributes)
- · Quantified data (sum attributes)

Multidimensional modeling

"Predict" analytic patterns of users

- Drill-paths for navigations operators
- Limit to *meaningful* aggregation options

Data structures

- **Descriptive information** (cube edges) → dimensions
 - · Hierarchies, dimensional attributes
 - Structural basis for selection and aggregation
- Quantified information (cube cells) → facts
 - Measures / key performance indicators for analysis / aggregation

Goal

- · Orthogonal dimensional descriptions
- Clear separation of measures

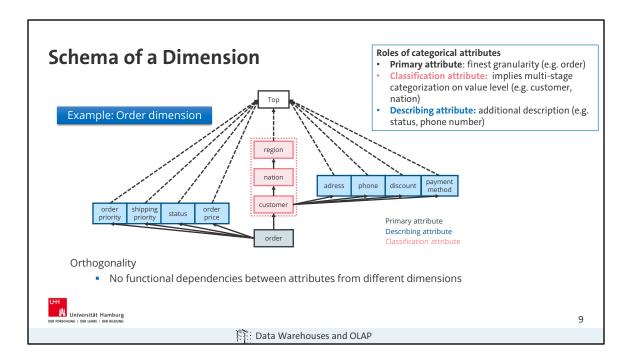
Dimensions / Dimension hierarchy

· Partially ordered set D of categorical attributes

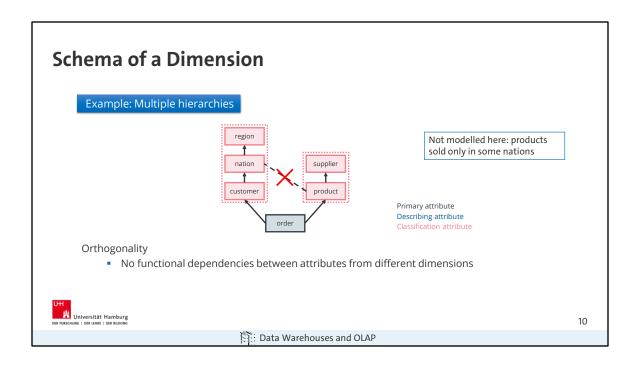
$$(\{D_1, ..., D_n, [Top]_D\}; \rightarrow)$$

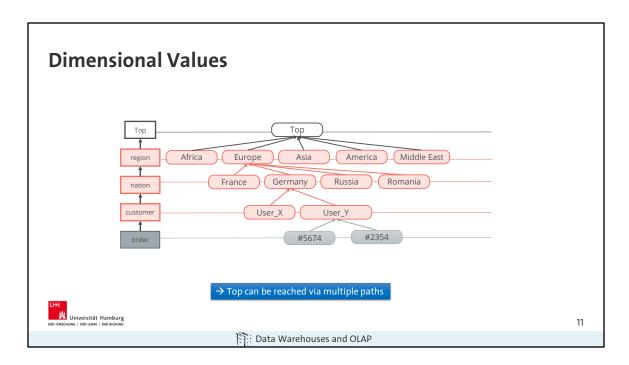
- Top_D is a generic maximum element w.r.t. " \rightarrow ", i.e. $\forall i \ (1 \le i \le n) : D_i \rightarrow [\![Top]\!]_D$
- There is a Di with finest granularity, i.e. $D_i \rightarrow D_j$ for all D_j
- "→" denotes the functional dependency
- Partial ordering allows arbitrary parallel hierarchies

!!!Multidimensional Model is conceptual not physical!!



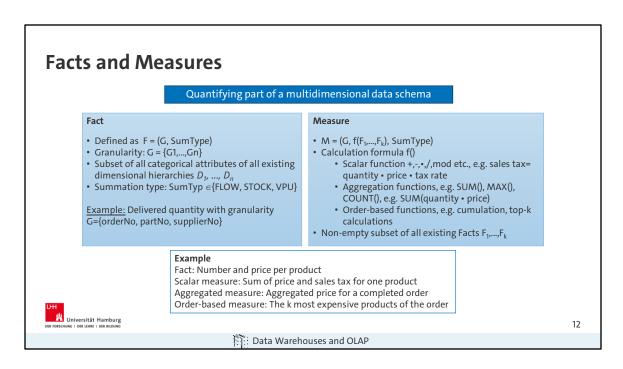
There is a functional dependency $A \rightarrow B$ if for all $a \in A$ there is exactly one $b \in B$, e.g. Germany \rightarrow Europe, but not Europe \rightarrow Germany





Functional dependencies define tree structure on instances

- Functional dependency corresponds to 1:N-relation!
- Every path from a classification attribute to Top defines a classification hierarchy



Summability

Problem

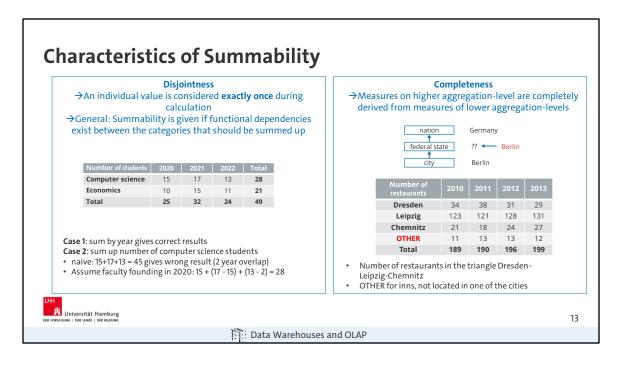
- Not all functions can be summed up (median, quantiles, standard deviation)
- Even simple aggregation functions (SUM, AVG, MIN, MAX, COUNT, ...) cannot be aggregated further at will

Change of granularity

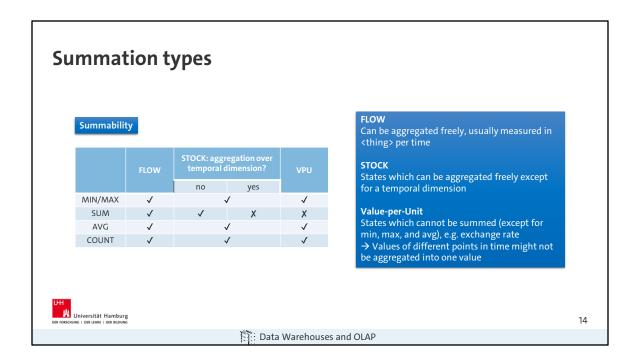
- $G = (G_1,...,G_n)$ is finer (same) $G' = (G_1',...,G_k')$, i.e. $G \le G'$ iff, for each $G_j' \in G'$ exists a $G_i \in G$, s.t. $G_i \to G_i'$
- Coarsening / refinement of granularity adding / removing categorical attributes
- Example
 (orderNo, partNo) ≤ (customerNo, brand) ≤ (market segment)

Necessary characteristics for summability

· Disjointness, completeness, type compatibility



- Possibly, the whole space cannot be captured
 - Example: assume Berlin is not modeled as a federal state (city > federal state)
 - Weak functional dependency (A⇒B): for each a∈A exists at most one b∈B
 - example: city⇒ federal state
- Remove weak functional dependencies
 - NULL, OTHER, dummy values



Summation Types

Flow (event at time T)

- Can be aggregated freely
- Examples: order quantity of a certain item per day, number of traffic deaths per month, sales, earnings per year,...

Stock (status at time T)

- Can be aggregated freely, without a temporal dimension
- Items in stock over time → disjointness voided
- · Example: number of school kids per month,

Value-Per-Unit (VPU)

- · Current states, that cannot be summed
- Use of COUNT()-, MIN()-, MAX()- und AVG() is allowed
- · Example: exchange rate, unit costs, ...

Exercise Summation Types

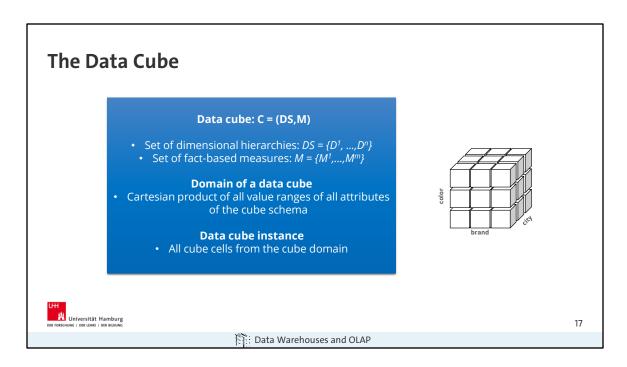
	FLOW	STOCK	VPU
Inventory			
Value added tax rate			
Ordered items per day			
#inhabitants per city			
Stock price			
Exams per semester			
SWS (Semesterwochenstunden/ semester hours)			
Exam grade			



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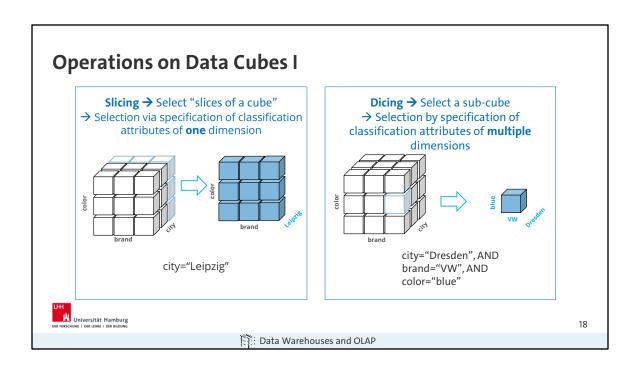
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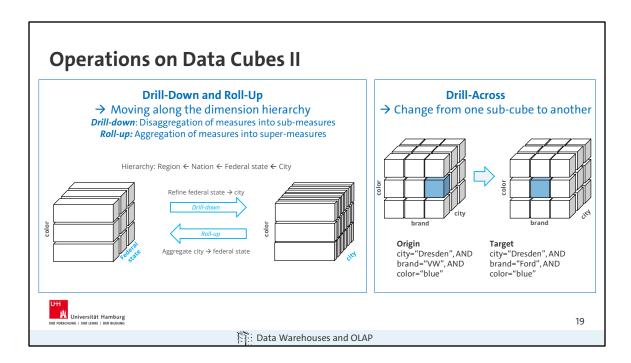


Cube is just a metaphor!

- Almost never, all cells are present (sparsity)
- Non-existent values on the implementation level become NULL or 0 on the model level!

There are usually more than 3 dimensions!





Drill-Down and Roll-Up

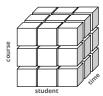
Changes granularity, not Categorization

Drill-Across

- Dimension stays on the same hierarchy-level, but selection value changes
- Also change of data cube (Join of multiple data cubes)

Exercise Data Cube

- Which operations are described? (slicing, dicing, roll-up, drill-down, drill-across)
- How could you visualize the results?

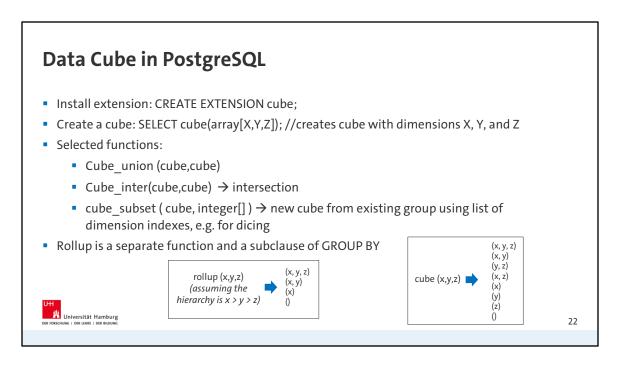


- a) name = "Jane Doh"
- b) refine name → first
- c) student="Jane Doh" AND time = "2 pm" AND course = "AD"
- d) time = "4 pm" AND course = "Math l"
- e) aggregate first → name f) student="Jane Doh" AND time = "2 pm" AND course = "AD" → student="Jane Doh" AND time = "10 am" AND course = "AD"



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https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/cube.html https://www.timescale.com/learn/postgresql-extensions-cube

- Cube can also be used in GROUP BY
- Common use of rollup: aggregation of data by year, month, and day

Multidimensional database design

	Classical relational database design	Multidimensional database design		
Conceptual schema (semi-formal)	Variants of entity- relationship modelling	Different modelling languages, e.g. mE/R, mUML, ADAPT,		
Logical schema (formal)		Data cube: facts and measures		
	Relations with attributes	Dimensional hierarchy with categorical attributes: classifying and describing attributes		
Internal/physical schema	Memory organisation (primary/secondary indexes, partitioning,)	Relational storage (ROLAP): Star/Snowflake schema patterns	Multidimensional storage (MOLAP): native implementation	



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ROLAP = Relational OLAP MOLAP = Multidimensional OLAP HOLAP → Hybrid solution 23