

CS 412 Intro. to Data Mining

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■ Data Warehouse: Basic Concepts



- Data Warehouse Modeling: Data Cube and OLAP
- Data Warehouse Design and Usage
- Data Warehouse Implementation
- Summary

What is a 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 มีเป็นมายานังส์กับ ใจปล ฟิสาชาติและ มาเพื่อจะไว

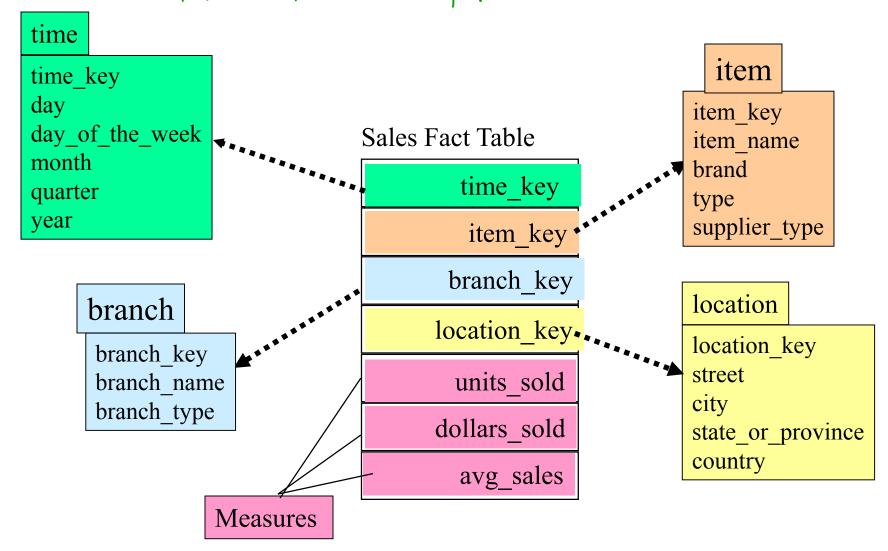
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- Data warehousing:
 - The process of constructing and using data warehouses

From Tables and Spreadsheets to Data Cubes

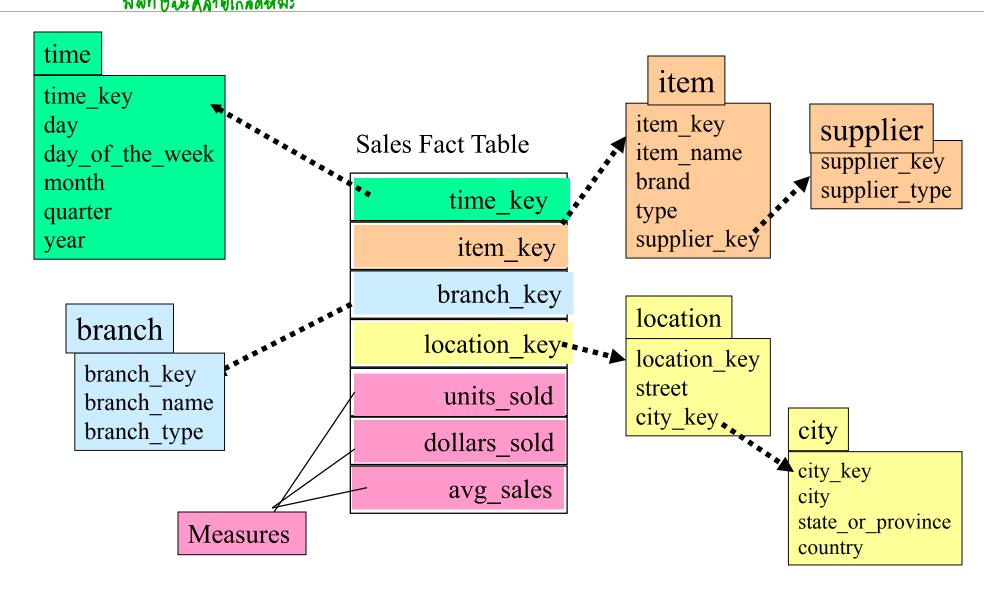
- A data warehouse is based on a multidimensional data model which views data in the form of a data cube
- A data cube, such as sales, allows data to be modeled and viewed in multiple dimensions
 - Dimension tables, such as item (item_name, brand, type), or time(day, week, month, quarter, year)
 - Fact table contains measures (such as dollars_sold) and keys to each of the related dimension tables
- Data cube: A lattice of cuboids
 - In data warehousing literature, an n-D base cube is called a base cuboid
 - The top most 0-D cuboid, which holds the highest-level of summarization, is called the apex cuboid
 - ☐ The lattice of cuboids forms a data cube.

Star Schema: An Example

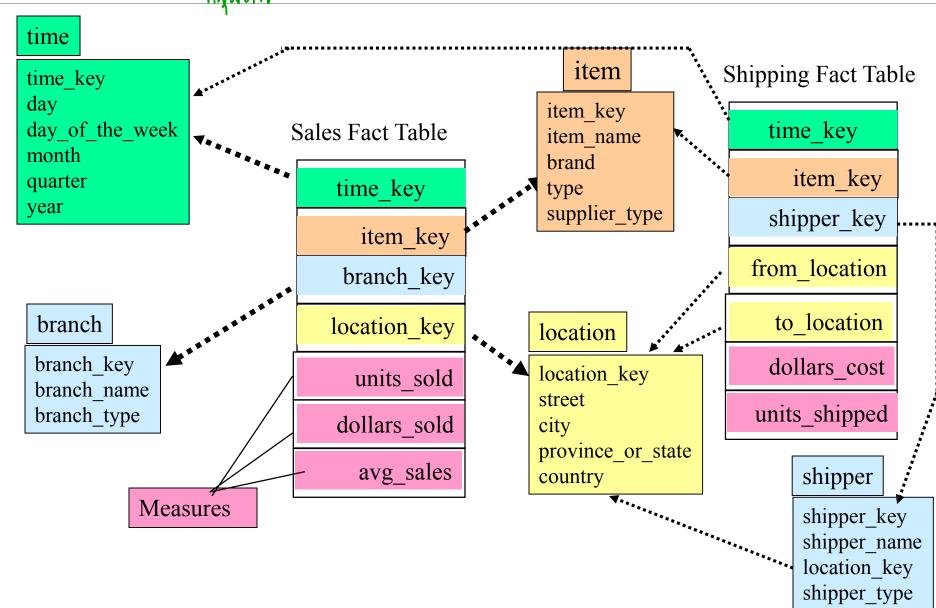
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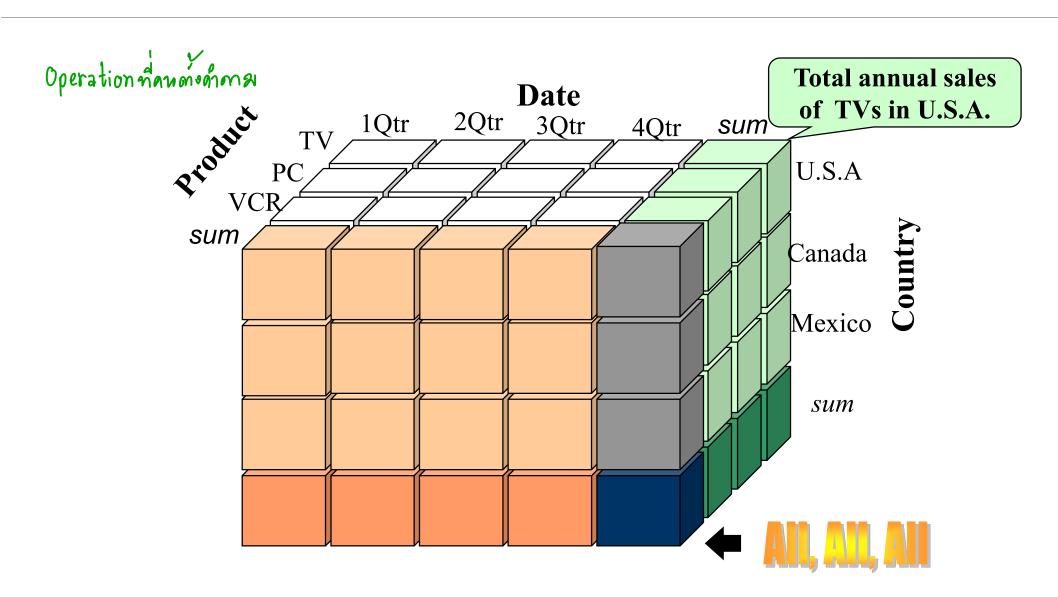
Snowflake Schema: An Example



Fact Constellation: An Example



A Sample Data Cube



Typical OLAP Operations

- □ Roll up (drill-up): summarize data
 - by climbing up hierarchy or by dimension reduction
- Drill down (roll down): reverse of roll-up
 - from higher level summary to lower level summary or detailed data, or introducing new dimensions
- Slice and dice: project and select
- Pivot (rotate):
 - reorient the cube, visualization, 3D to series of 2D planes
- Other operations
 - □ Drill across: involving (across) more than one fact table
 - Drill through: through the bottom level of the cube to its back-end relational tables (using SQL)

