ON-LINE ANALYTICAL PROCESSING

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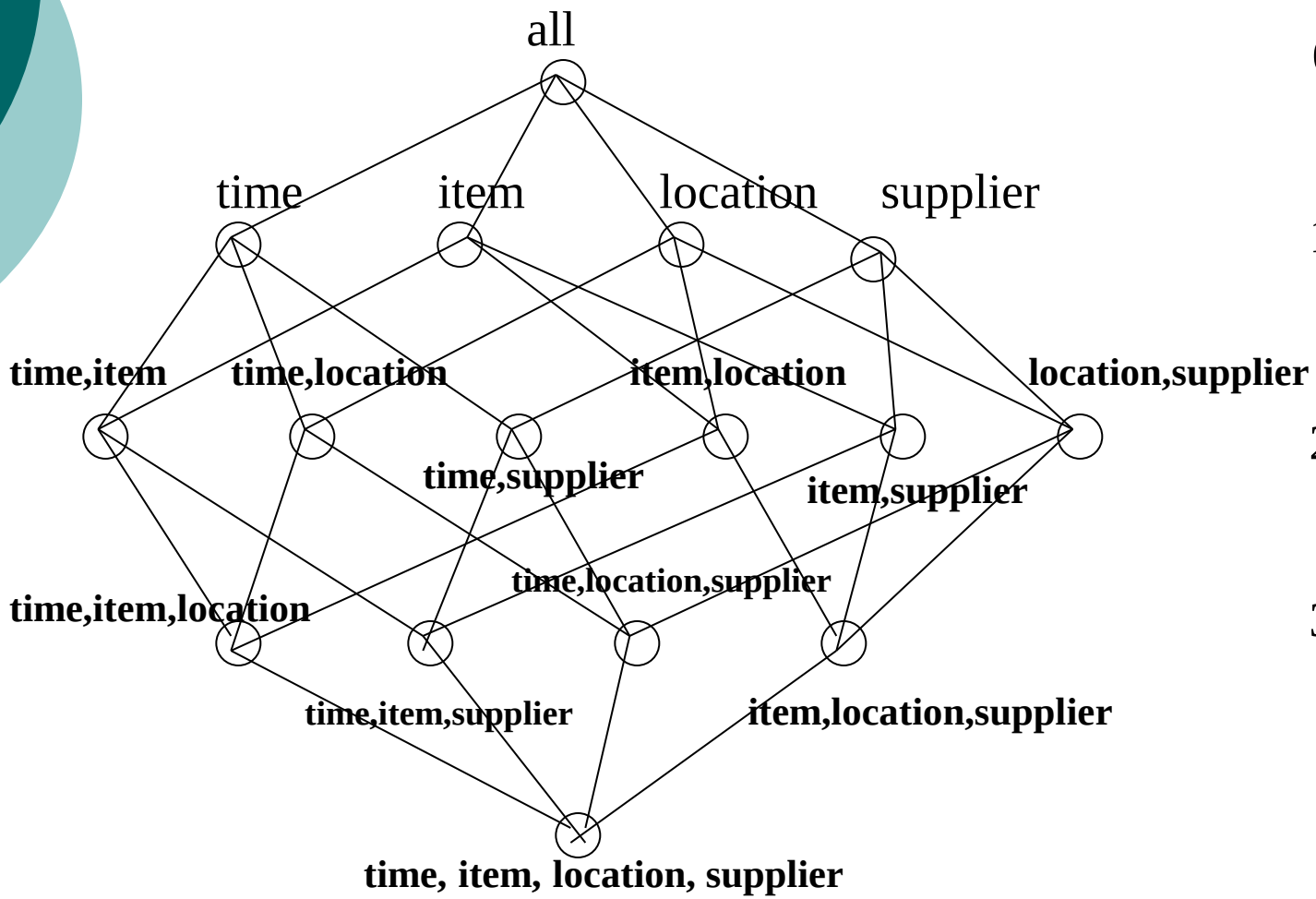
Lattice of Cuboids



0-D(apex) cuboid

1-D cuboids

2-D cuboids

3-D cuboids

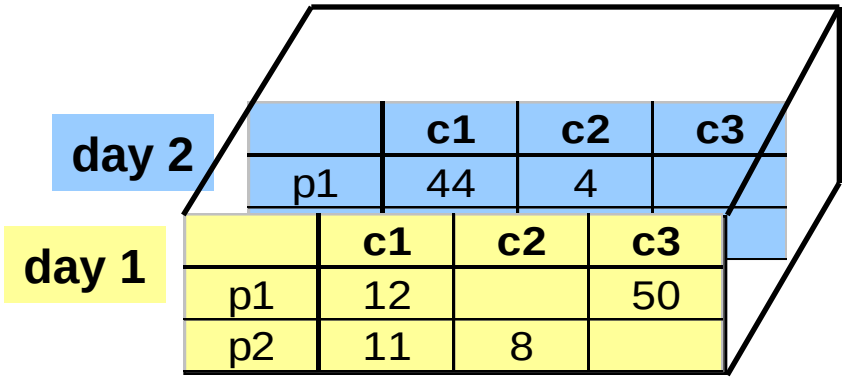
4-D(base) cuboid

CUBE

Fact table view:

sale	prodId	storeId	date	amt
	p1	c1	1	12
	p2	c1	1	11
	p1	c3	1	50
	p2	c2	1	8
	p1	c1	2	44
	p1	c2	2	4

Multi-dimensional cube:



dimensions = 3

Aggregates

- Add up amounts for day 1
- In SQL: SELECT sum(amt) FROM SALE
  WHERE date = 1

sale	prodId	storeId	date	amt
	p1	c1	1	12
	p2	c1	1	11
	p1	c3	1	50
	p2	c2	1	8
	p1	c1	2	44
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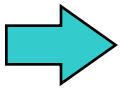

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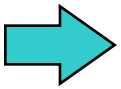
Aggregates

- Add up amounts by day
- In SQL: SELECT date, sum(amt) FROM SALE
  GROUP BY date

sale	prodId	storeId	date	amt
	p1	c1	1	12
	p2	c1	1	11
	p1	c3	1	50
	p2	c2	1	8
	p1	c1	2	44
	p1	c2	2	4



ans	date	sum
	1	81
	2	48

Aggregates

- Operators: sum, count, max, min, median, ave
- "Having" clause
- Using dimension hierarchy
  - average by region (within store)
  - maximum by month (within date)

Cube Aggregation

Example: computing sums

day 2

	c1	c2	c3
p1	44	4	
p2			

day 1

	c1	c2	c3
p1	12		50
p2	11	8	

. . .

	c1	c2	c3
p1	56	4	50
p2	11	8	

	c1	c2	c3
sum	67	12	50

	sum
p1	110
p2	19

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rollup

drill-down

Cube Operators

day 2

	c1	c2	c3
p1	44	4	

day 1

	c1	c2	c3
p1	12		50
p2	11	8	

. . .

	c1	c2	c3
p1	56	4	50
p2	11	8	

sale(c1,*,*)

	c1	c2	c3
sum	67	12	50

sale(c2,p2,*)

	sum
p1	110
p2	19

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sale(*,*,*)

sale(*,p1,*)

Extended Cube

*

day 2

	c1	c2	c3	*
p1	56	4	50	110
p2	11	8		19
				129

day 1

	c1	c2	c3	*
p1	44	4		48
p2				
				48

	c1	c2	c3	*
p1	12		50	62
p2	11	8		19
*	23	8	50	81

sale(*,p2,*)

Aggregation Using Hierarchies

day 2

	c1	c2	c3
p1	44	4	

day 1

	c1	c2	c3
p1	12		50
p2	11	8	

customer

region

country

	region A	region B
p1	56	54
p2	11	8

(customer c1 in Region A;
customers c2, c3 in Region B)

Pivoting

Fact table view:

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	p2	c1	1	11
	p1	c3	1	50
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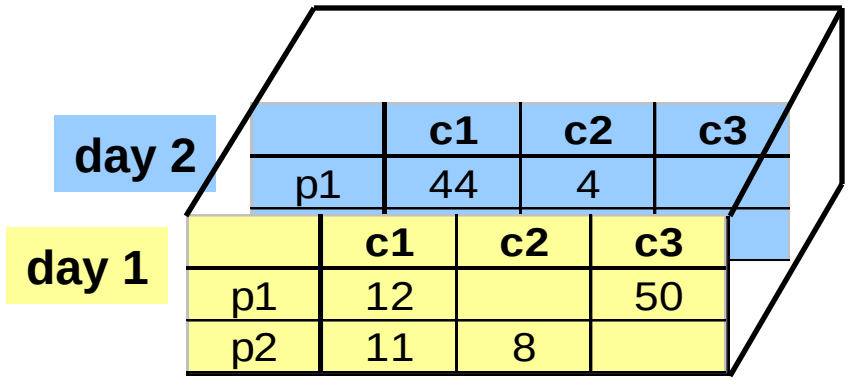
Multi-dimensional cube:



	c1	c2	c3
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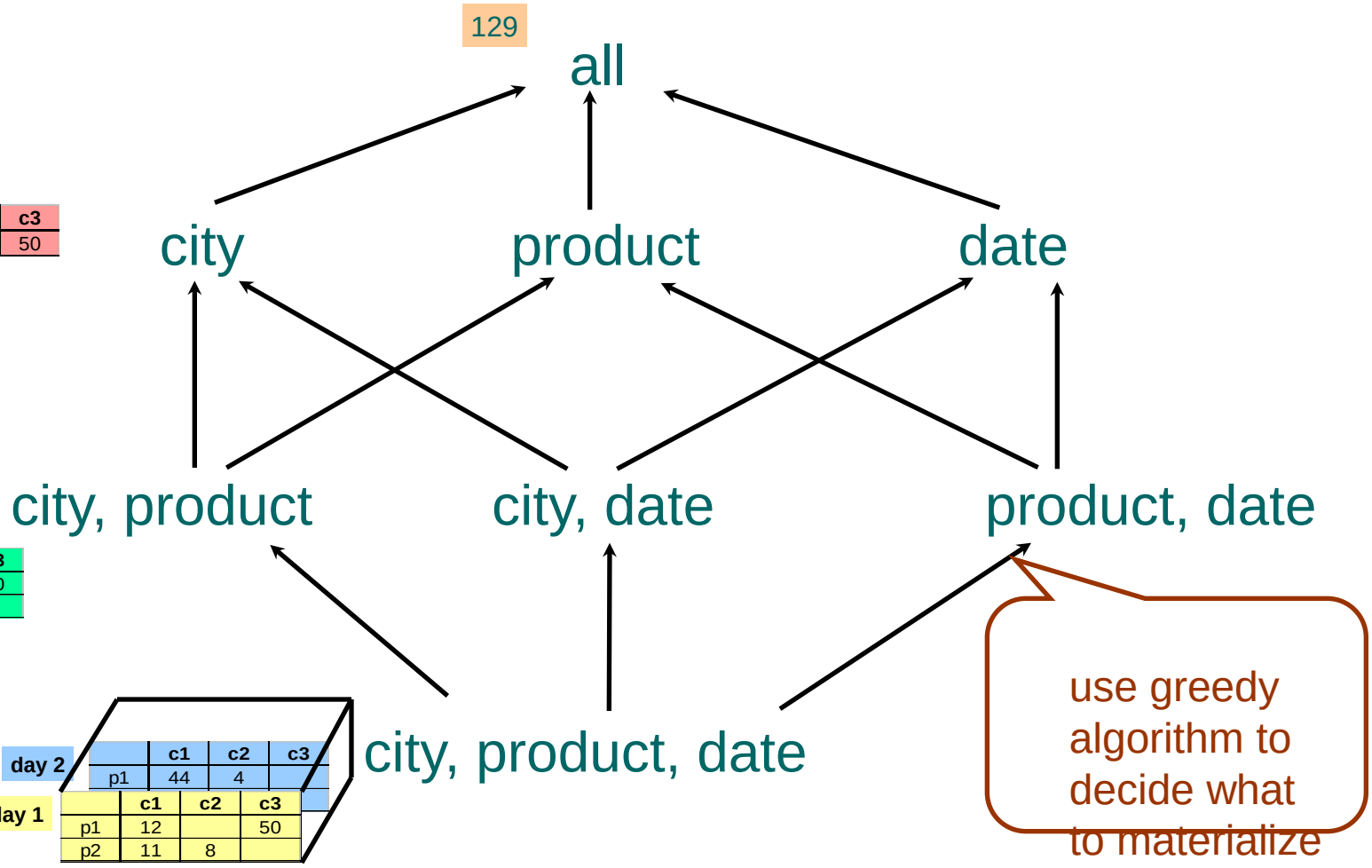
Cube Aggregates Lattice



	c1	c2	c3
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	c1	c2	c3
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p2	11	8	

day 2

	c1	c2	c3
p1	44	4	

day 1

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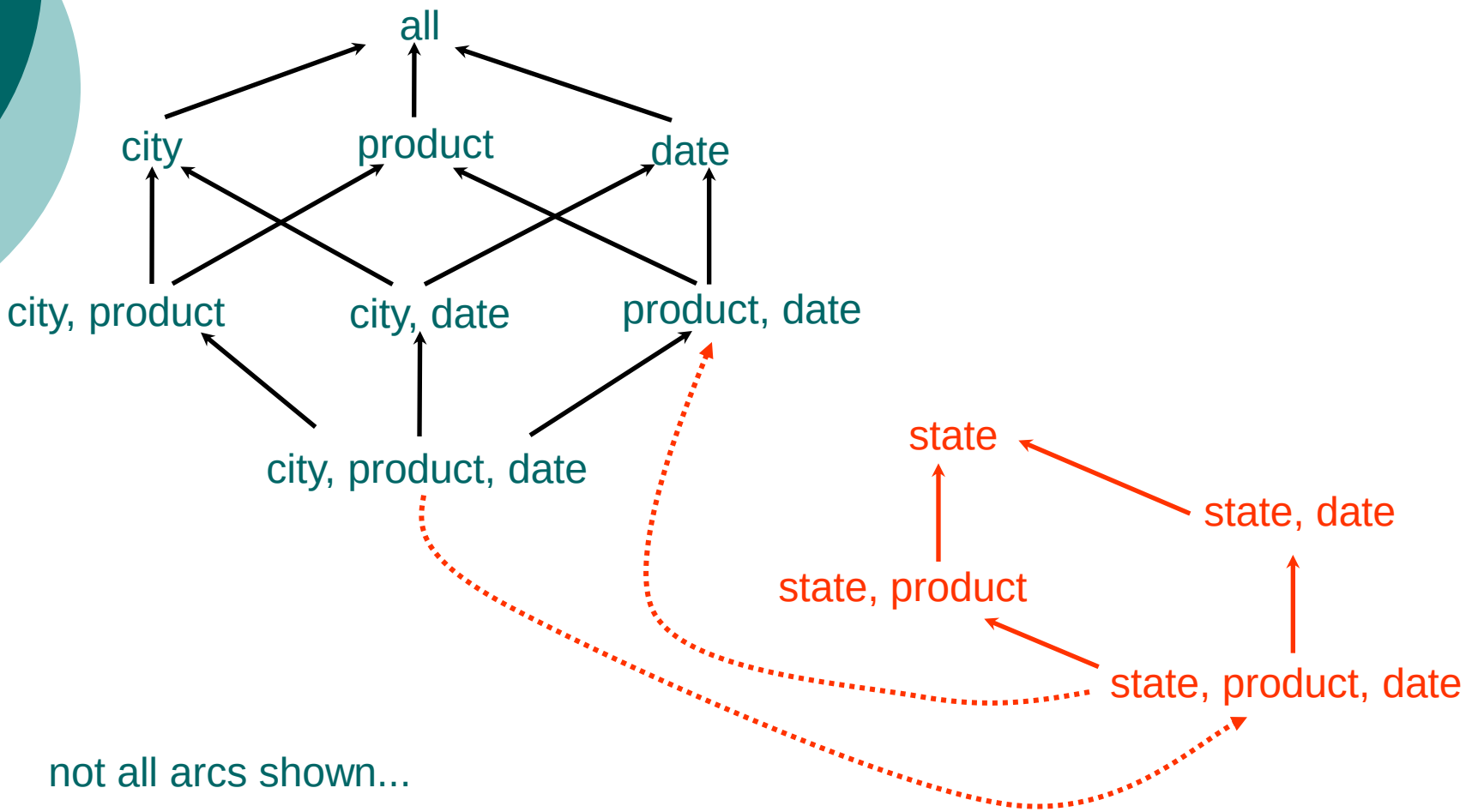
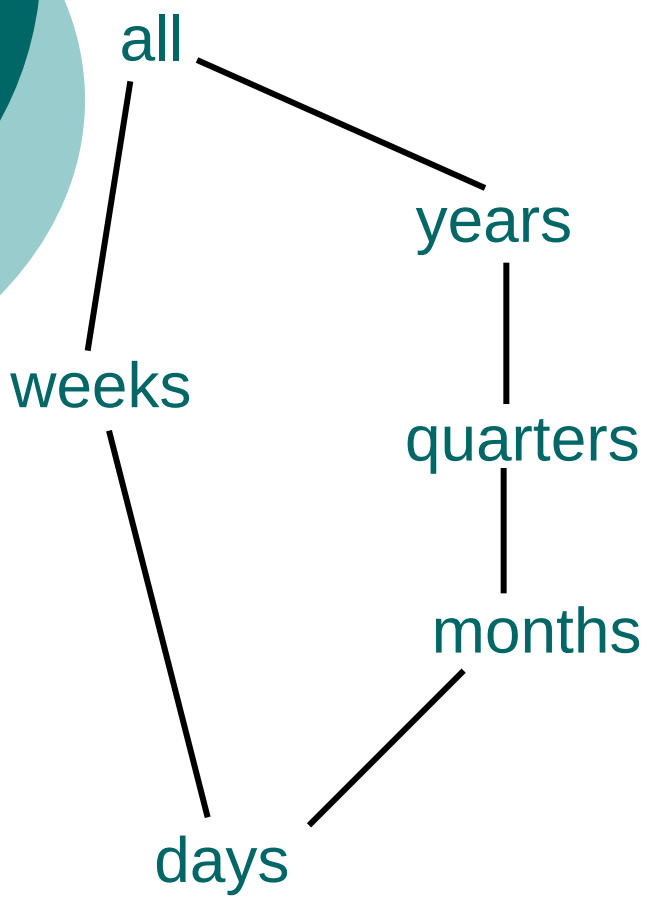
Dimension Hierarchies

cities	city	state
	c1	CA
	c2	NY

Dimension Hierarchies



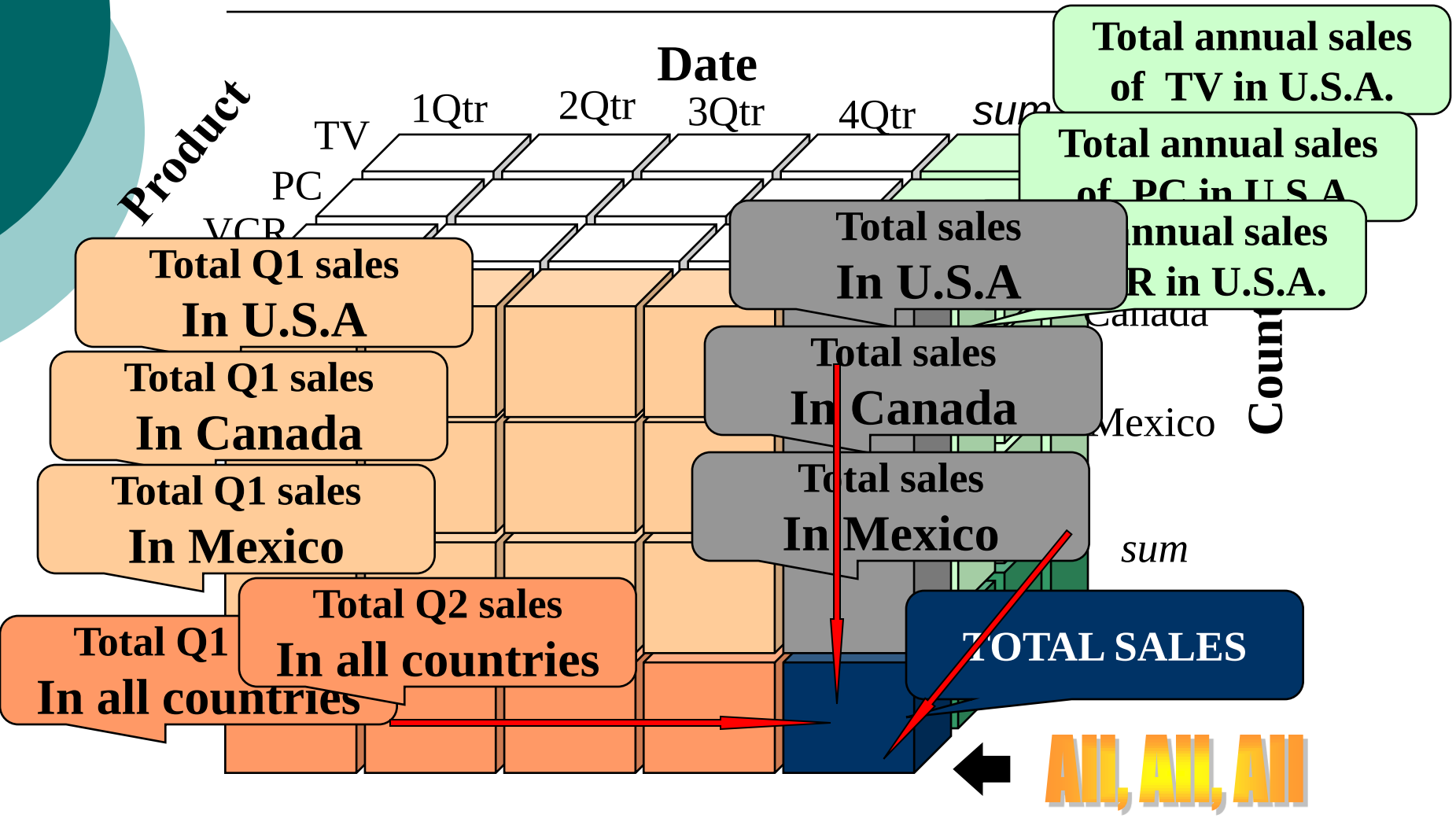
Interesting Hierarchy



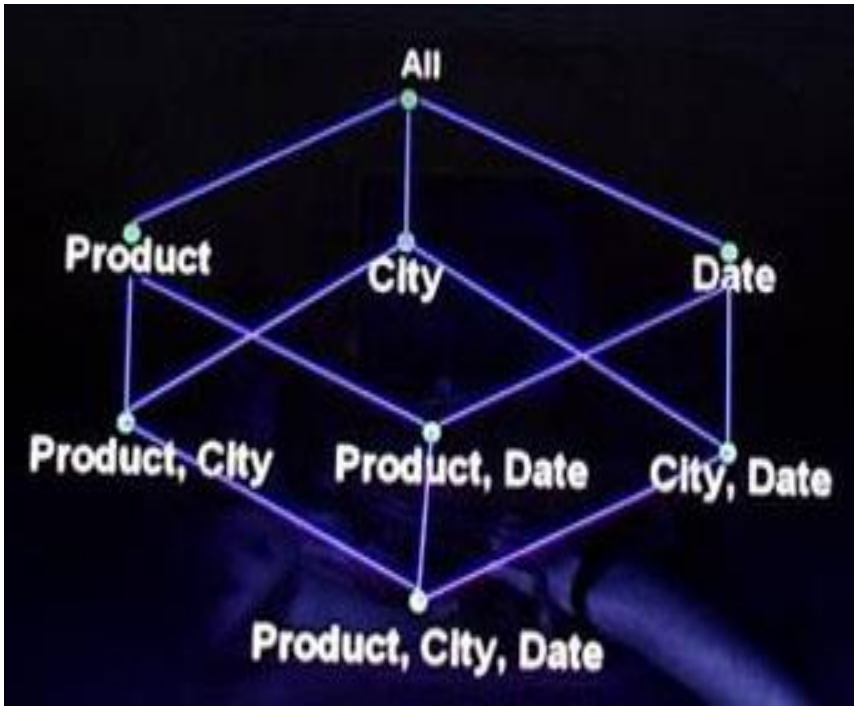
time	day	week	month	quarter	year
	1	1	1	1	2000
	2	1	1	1	2000
	3	1	1	1	2000
	4	1	1	1	2000
	5	1	1	1	2000
	6	1	1	1	2000
	7	1	1	1	2000
	8	2	1	1	2000

conceptual dimension table

SAMPLE CUBE


Date
Product
1Qtr
2Qtr
3Qtr
4Qtr
sum
TV
PC
VCR
Total annual sales of TV in U.S.A.
Total annual sales of PC in U.S.A
Total sales In U.S.A
Total Q1 sales In U.S.A
Total Q1 sales In Canada
Total sales In Canada
Mexico
Total Q1 sales In Mexico
Total sales In Mexico
sum
Total Q2 sales In all countries
Total Q1 In all countries
TOTAL SALES
All, All, All

Suppose if we have 3 dimensions product, City and Date. We consider these as our 3 elements which are nothing but the perspectives or dimensions. If we take these, then we have 3 sets of 2 element combinations {Product, City}, {Product, Date} and also {Date, City} and also contains the 3 element set {Product, City, Date} which forms a lattice of cuboids. Once we have 2 dimensional computations we can as well compute total sales for each product over all cities and over all dates. Using one dimensional cuboid we can compute grand sales over all products, over all cities and over all dates. If you observe the 'all' the grand sales and the base cuboid, the base cuboid is the greatest lower bound and apex cuboid is the least upper bound.



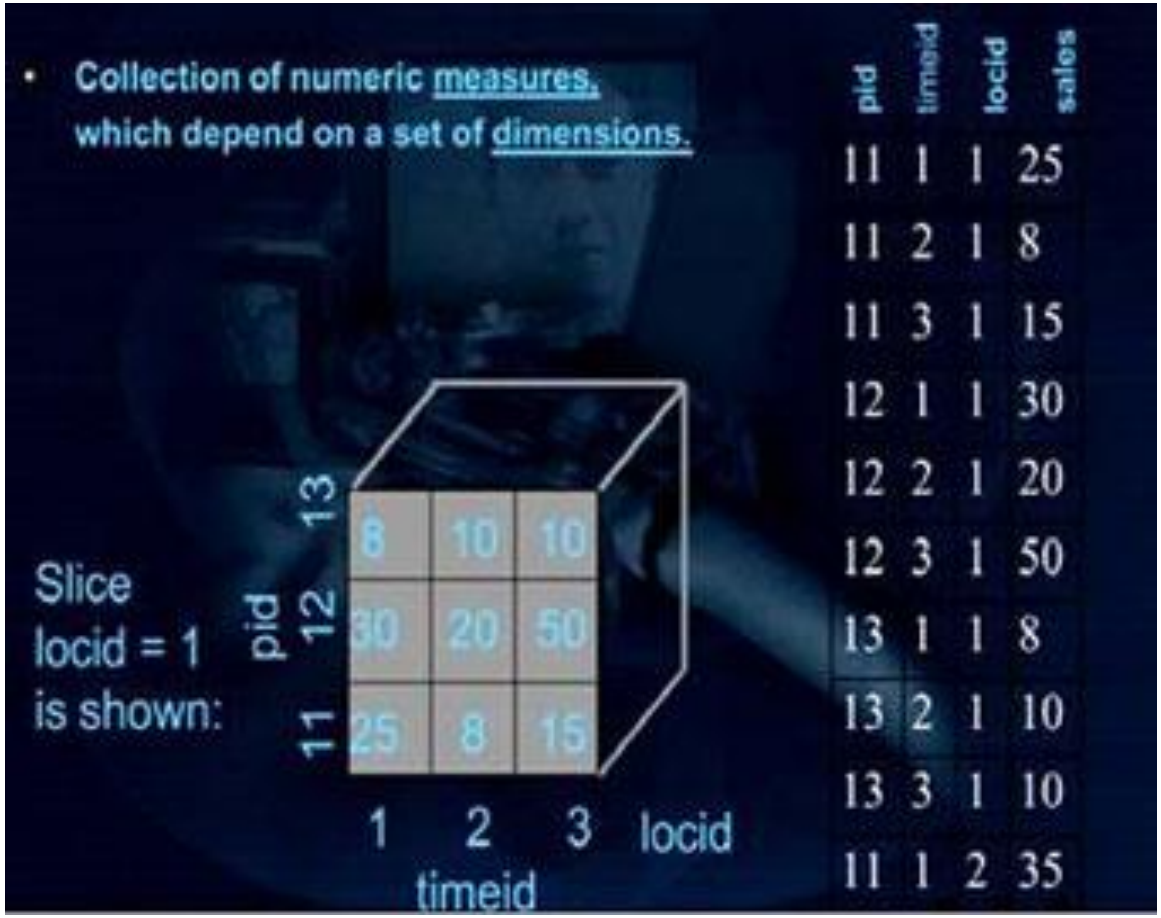
That is why a cube is nothing but a collection of cuboids, and each cuboid is nothing but a aggregation. If we integrate one dimensional, two dimensional and three dimensional aggregations then that is a data cube.

Conceptual vs. Actual

- The "cube" is a logical way of visualizing the data in an OLAP setting
- Not how the data is actually represented on disk
- Two ways of storing data:
  - ROLAP: Relational OLAP
  - MOLAP: Multidimensional OLAP

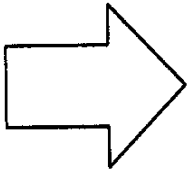
OLAP & CUBE

- Construction of the data cube is key to the operation of OLAP
- The computation process creates a set of aggregates on the various dimensions of the data
- The CUBE operator


Collection of numeric measures, which depend on a set of dimensions.
Slice locid = 1 is shown:
pid
13
12
11
8 10 10
30 20 50
25 8 15
1 2 3
timeid
locid
pid timeid locid sales
11 1 1 25
11 2 1 8
11 3 1 15
12 1 1 30
12 2 1 20
12 3 1 50
13 1 1 8
13 2 1 10
13 3 1 10
11 1 2 35

An example of the CUBE Operator

Model	Year	Color	Sales
Chevy	1990	Red	5
Chevy	1990	Blue	87
Ford	1990	Green	64
Ford	1990	Blue	99
Ford	1991	Red	8
Ford	1991	Blue	7



Model	Year	Color	Sales
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Chevy	1990	Red	5
Chevy	1990	ALL	92
Chevy	ALL	Blue	87
Chevy	ALL	Red	5
Chevy	ALL	ALL	92
Ford	1990	Blue	99
Ford	1990	Green	64
Ford	1990	ALL	163
Ford	1991	Blue	7
Ford	1991	Red	8
Ford	1991	ALL	15
Ford	ALL	Blue	106
Ford	ALL	Green	64
Ford	ALL	Red	8
ALL	1990	Blue	186
ALL	1990	Green	64
ALL	1991	Blue	7
ALL	1991	Red	8
Ford	ALL	ALL	178
ALL	1990	ALL	255
ALL	1991	ALL	15
ALL	ALL	Blue	193
ALL	ALL	Green	64
ALL	ALL	Red	13
ALL	ALL	ALL	270

Cube Operator

Locid	City	State	Country
1	Madison	WI	USA
2	Fresno	CA	USA
5	Chennai	TN	India

Pid	Pname	category	Price
11	Lee Jeans	Apparel	25
12	Zord	Toys	18
13	Biro Pen	Stationery	2

Timeid	Date	Month	Year	Holiday
1	10/11/95	Nov	1995	N
2	11/11/96	Nov	1996	N
3	12/11/97	Nov	1997	N

pid	timeid	Locid	sales
11	1	1	25
11	2	1	8
11	3	1	15
12	1	1	30
12	2	1	20
12	3	1	50
13	1	1	8
13	2	1	10
13	3	1	10
11	1	2	35
11	2	2	22
11	3	2	10
12	1	2	26
12	2	2	45
12	3	2	20
13	1	2	20
13	2	2	40
13	3	2	5

Cube Operator

```
Select    T.year, L.state, SUM (sales)
from      Sales S, Times T, Locations L
Where     S.timeid=T.timeid &
    S.locid=L.locid
Group By T.year, L.state
Select    T.year, SUM (sales)
from      Sales S, Times T
Where     S.timeid=T.timeid
Group By T.year
```

```
Select    L.state, SUM (sales)
from      Sales S, Locations L
Where     S.locid=L.locid
Group By L.state
```

	WI	CA	Total
1995	63	81	144
1996	38	107	145
1997	75	35	110
Total	176	223	399

```
Select    SUM (sales)
from      Sales S, Locations L
Where     S.locid=L.locid
```

OR

```
Select    SUM (sales)
from      Sales S, Time T
Where     S.timeid=T.timeid
```

How many such SQL queries to build cross-tab?

Cube Operator

Select T.year, L.state, SUM (sales)
from Sales S, Times T, Locations L
Where S.timeid=T.timeid & S.locid=L.locid
Group By CUBE (T.year, L.state)

	WI	CA	Total
1995	63	81	144
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1997	75	35	110
Total	176	223	399

T.Year	L.State	SUM(sales)
1995	WI	63
1995	CA	81
1995	All	144
1996	WI	38
1996	CA	107
1996	All	145
1997	WI	75
1997	CA	35
1997	All	110
All	WI	176
All	CA	223
All	All	399

Rollup Operator

```
Select   T.year, L.state, SUM (sales)
from     Sales S, Times T, Locations L
Where    S.timeid=T.timeid & S.locid=L.locid
Group By ROLLUP (T.year, L.state)
```

	WI	CA	Total
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All	All	399

Find out what the following SQL will generate?

```
Select   T.year, L.state, SUM (sales)
from     Sales S, Times T, Locations L
Where    S.timeid=T.timeid & S.locid=L.locid
Group By ROLLUP (L.state, T.year)
```

The CUBE Operator

- Proposed by Gray et al*
- Effectively involves a series of GROUP-BY operations to aggregate data
- Creates power set on all attributes according to:
  - A measure
  - An aggregator function

*J. Gray, S. Chaudhuri, A. Bosworth, A. Layman,D. Reichart, M. Venkatrao, F. Pellow and H. Pirahesh. Data cube: A relational aggregation operator generalizing group-by, cross-tab and sub-totals. Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery, 1:29-54, 1997.

CUBING Problem

- **Problem: this generates a lot of data and work (2^n sets in total, where n is the number of dimensions)**
- **Solution: optimized algorithms to run faster, consume less memory, and perform fewer I/Os.**

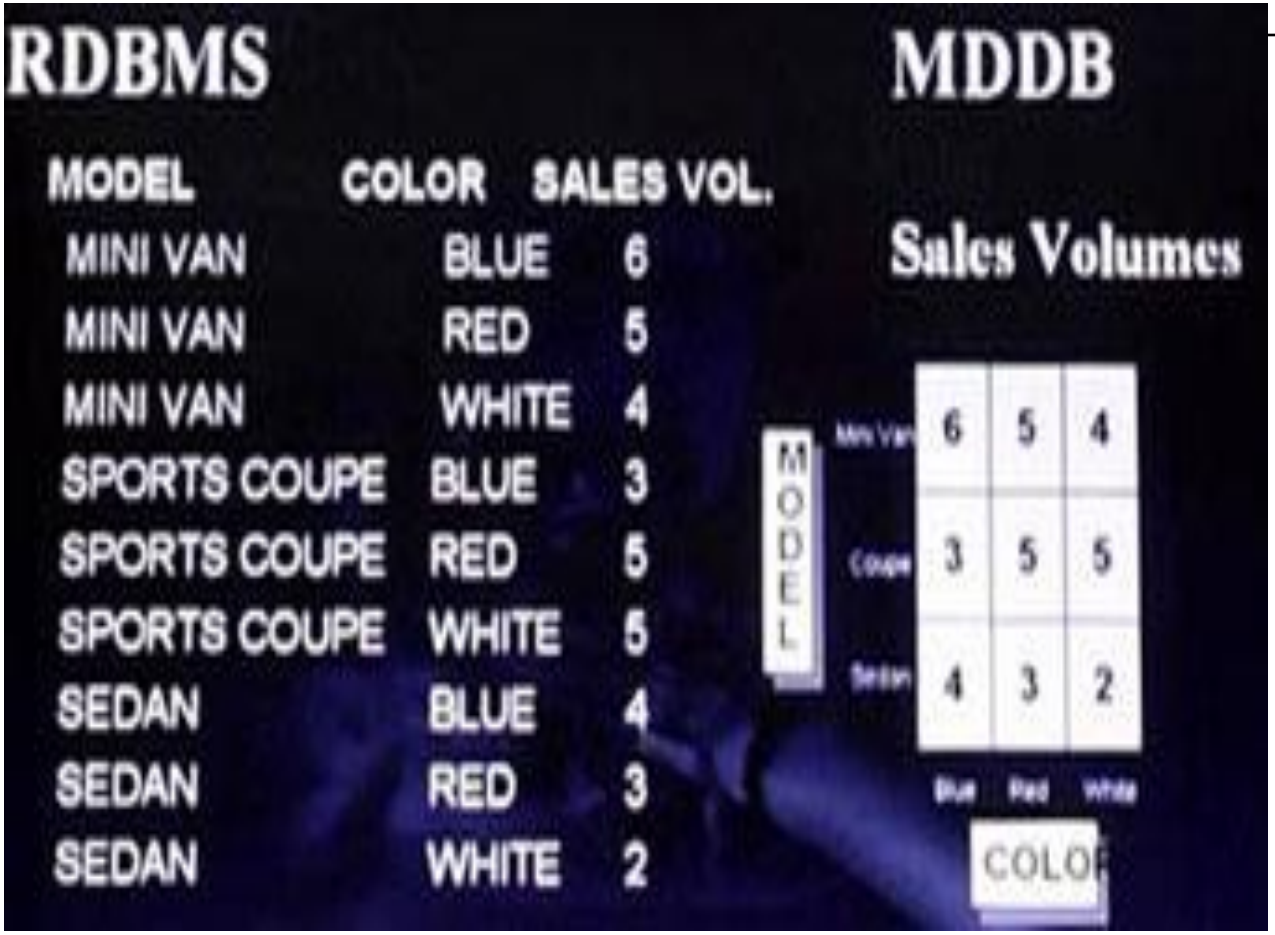
Efficient Computation of Data Cubes

- **ROLAP-based cubing algorithms (Agarwal et al'96)**
- **Array-based cubing algorithm (Zhao et al'97)**

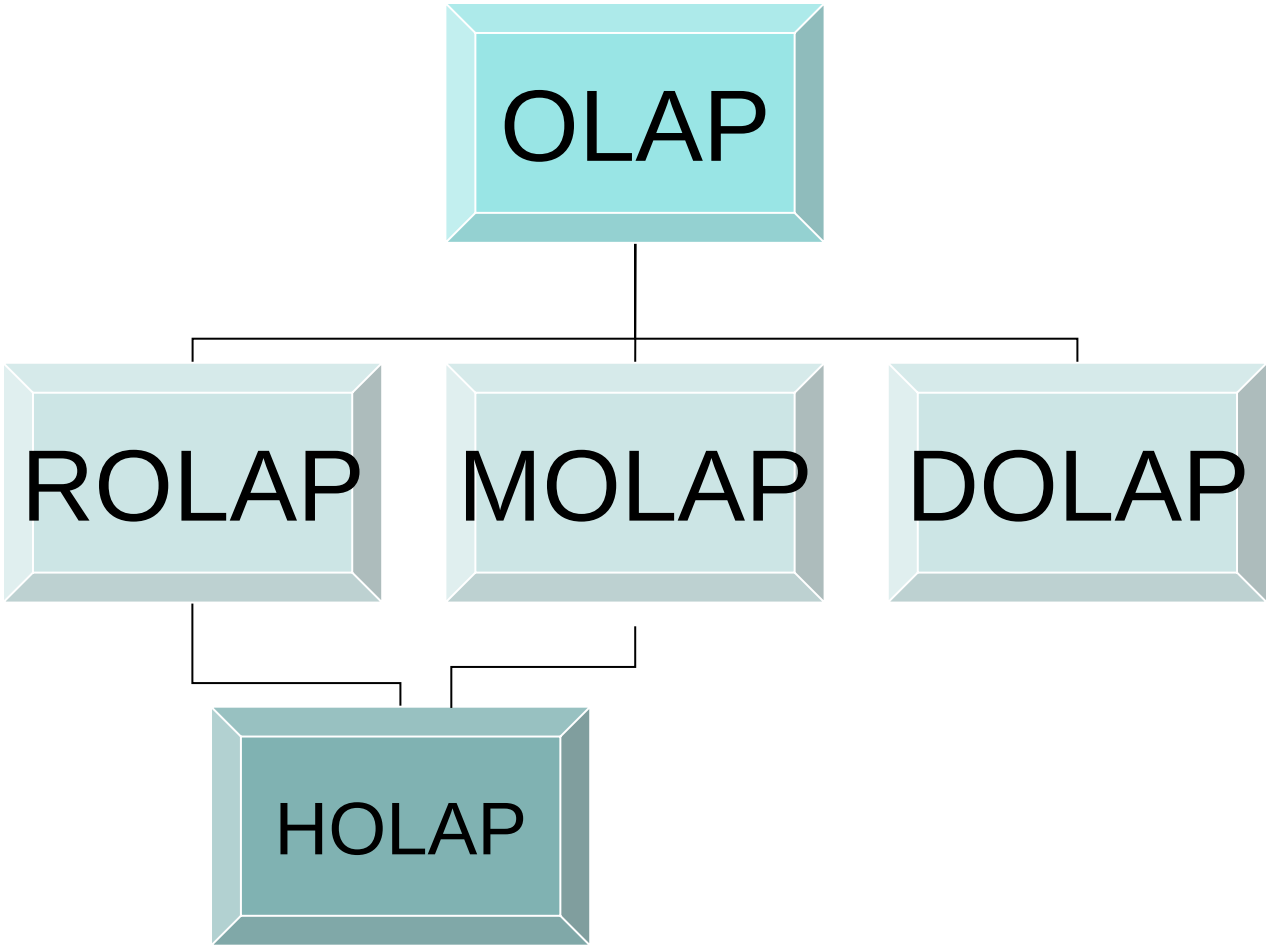
S. Agarwal, R. Agrawal, P. M. Deshpande, A.Gupta, J. F. Naughton, R. Ramakrishnan and S.Sarawagi.
On the computation of multidimensional aggregates. In VLDB'96.
Y. Zhao, P. M. Deshpande, and J. F. Naughton.
An array-based algorithm for simultaneous multidimensional aggregates. In SIGMOD'97.

Approaches to OLAP Servers

- It is all about which DBMS you choose to store your data warehouse data
- RDBMS – ROLAP
- MDDB – MOLAP
- BOTH - HOLAP


RDBMS
MODEL COLOR SALES VOL.
MINI VAN BLUE 6
MINI VAN RED 5
MINI VAN WHITE 4
SPORTS COUPE BLUE 3
SPORTS COUPE RED 5
SPORTS COUPE WHITE 5
SEDAN BLUE 4
SEDAN RED 3
SEDAN WHITE 2
MDDB
Sales Volumes
MODEL
6 5 4
3 5 5
4 3 2
COLOR

OLAP Flavours



Approaches to OLAP Servers

Three possibilities for OLAP servers

(1) Relational OLAP (ROLAP)

- Relational and specialized relational DBMS to store and manage warehouse data
- OLAP middleware to support missing pieces

(2) Multidimensional OLAP (MOLAP)

- Array-based storage structures
- Direct access to array data structures

(3) Hybrid OLAP (HOLAP)

- Storing detailed data in RDBMS
- Storing aggregated data in MDBMS
- User access via MOLAP tools

ROLAP

- Special schema design: *star, snowflake*
- Special indexes: bitmap, multi-table join
- Proven technology (relational model, DBMS), tend to outperform specialized MDDB especially on large data sets
- Products
  - IBM DB2, Oracle, Sybase IQ, RedBrick, Informix

ROLAP

- Defines complex, multi-dimensional data with simple model
- Reduces the number of joins a query has to process
- Allows the data warehouse to evolve with relatively low maintenance
- Can contain both detailed and summarized data.
- ROLAP is based on familiar, proven, and already selected technologies.

BUT!!!

- SQL for multi-dimensional manipulation of calculations.

MOLAP

- MDDB: a special-purpose data model
- Facts stored in multi-dimensional arrays
- Dimensions used to index array
- Sometimes on top of relational DB
- Products
  - Pilot, Arbor Essbase, Gentia

MOLAP

- Pre-calculating or pre-consolidating transactional data improves speed.

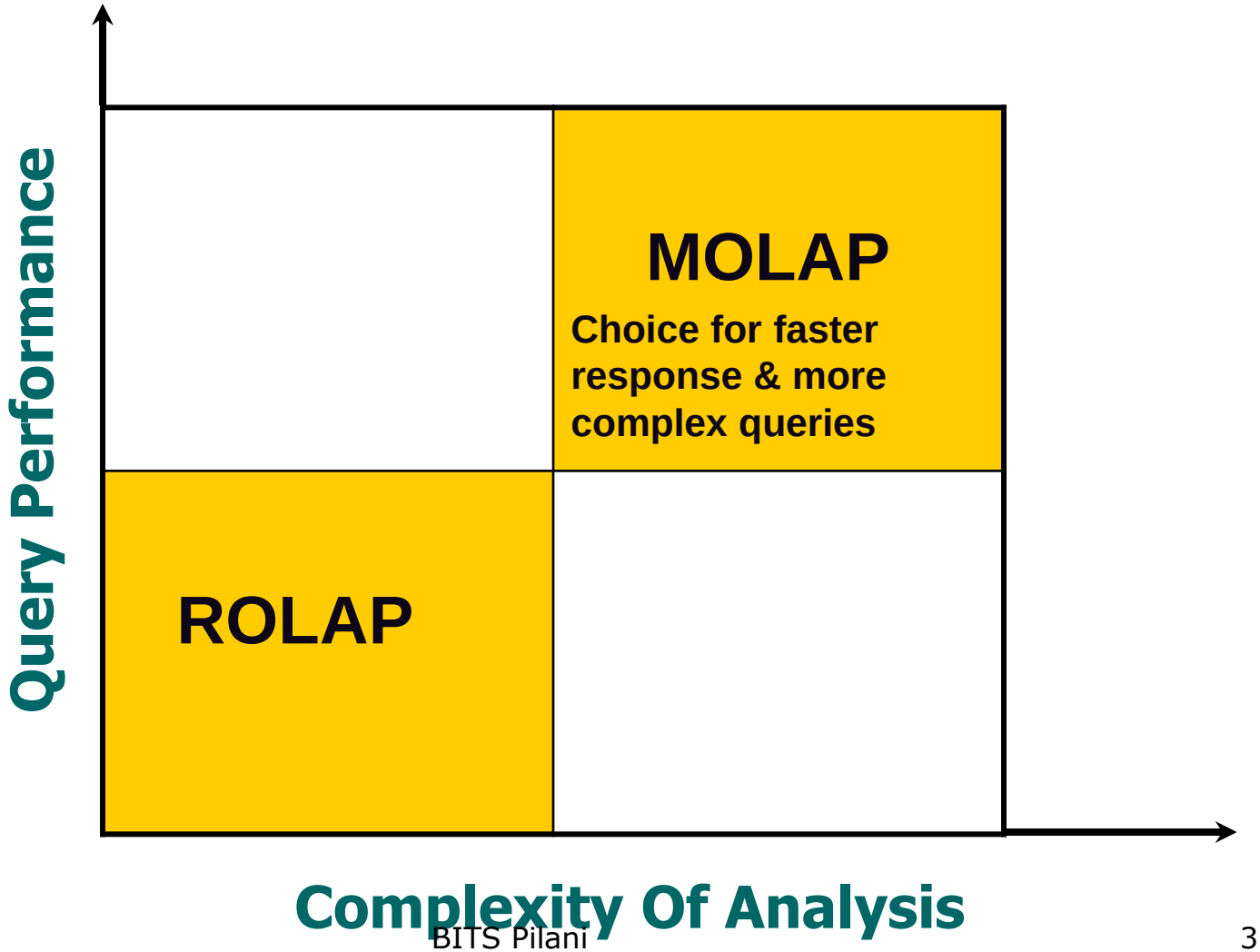
BUT

Fully pre-consolidating incoming data, MDDs require an enormous amount of overhead both in processing time and in storage. An input file of 200MB can easily expand to 5GB

MDDBs are great candidates for the **<** 100GB department data marts.

- With MDDs, application design is essentially the definition of dimensions and calculation rules, while the RDBMS requires that the database schema be a star or snowflake.

MOLAP vs. ROLAP



MOLAP vs. ROLAP

	Data Storage	Underlying Technologies	Functions & Features
ROLAP	▪ Data Stored as Relational Tables in DW ▪ Detailed & light summary data available ▪ Very large data volumes	▪ Use of complex SQL ▪ ROLAP engine in analytical server creates data cubes on the fly ▪ Multidimensional views by presentation layer	▪ Known environment and availability of many tools ▪ Limitations on complex analysis functions ▪ Drill-through easy but not drill-across
MOLAP	▪ Data srored as relational tables in DW ▪ Summary data kept in MDDBs ▪ Moderate data volumes ▪ Summary data access from MDDB and detailed data from DW	▪ creation of pre-fabricated cubes by MLAP engine. Proprietary technology to store multidimensional views in arrays. High speed data matrix retrieval ▪ Sparse matrix handling techniques to manage data sparsity in summaries	▪ Faster access ▪ Large library of functions for complex calculations ▪ Easy analysis irrespective of the number of dimensions ▪ Excessive drill-down and slice and dice capabilities

HOLAP

HOLAP technologies attempt to combine the advantages of MOLAP and ROLAP. For summary-type information, HOLAP leverages cube technology for faster performance. When detail information is needed, HOLAP can "drill through" from the cube into the underlying relational data.

ROLAP vs. MOLAP

Benefits		MOLAP	ROLAP
User Benefits	Multidimensional View	✓	✓
	Excellent Performance	✓	
	Analytical Flexibility	✓	
	Real-time Data Access		✓
	High Data Capacity		✓
MIS Benefits	Leverages Data Warehouse		✓
	Easy Development	✓	
	Low Structure Maintenance		✓
	Low Aggregate Maintenance	✓	

ROLAP vs. MOLAP

1) Performance:
   - How fast will the system appear to the end-user?
   - MDD server vendors believe this is a key point in their favor.

2) Data volume and scalability:
   - While MDD servers can handle up to 100GB of storage, RDBMS servers can handle hundreds of gigabytes and terabytes.

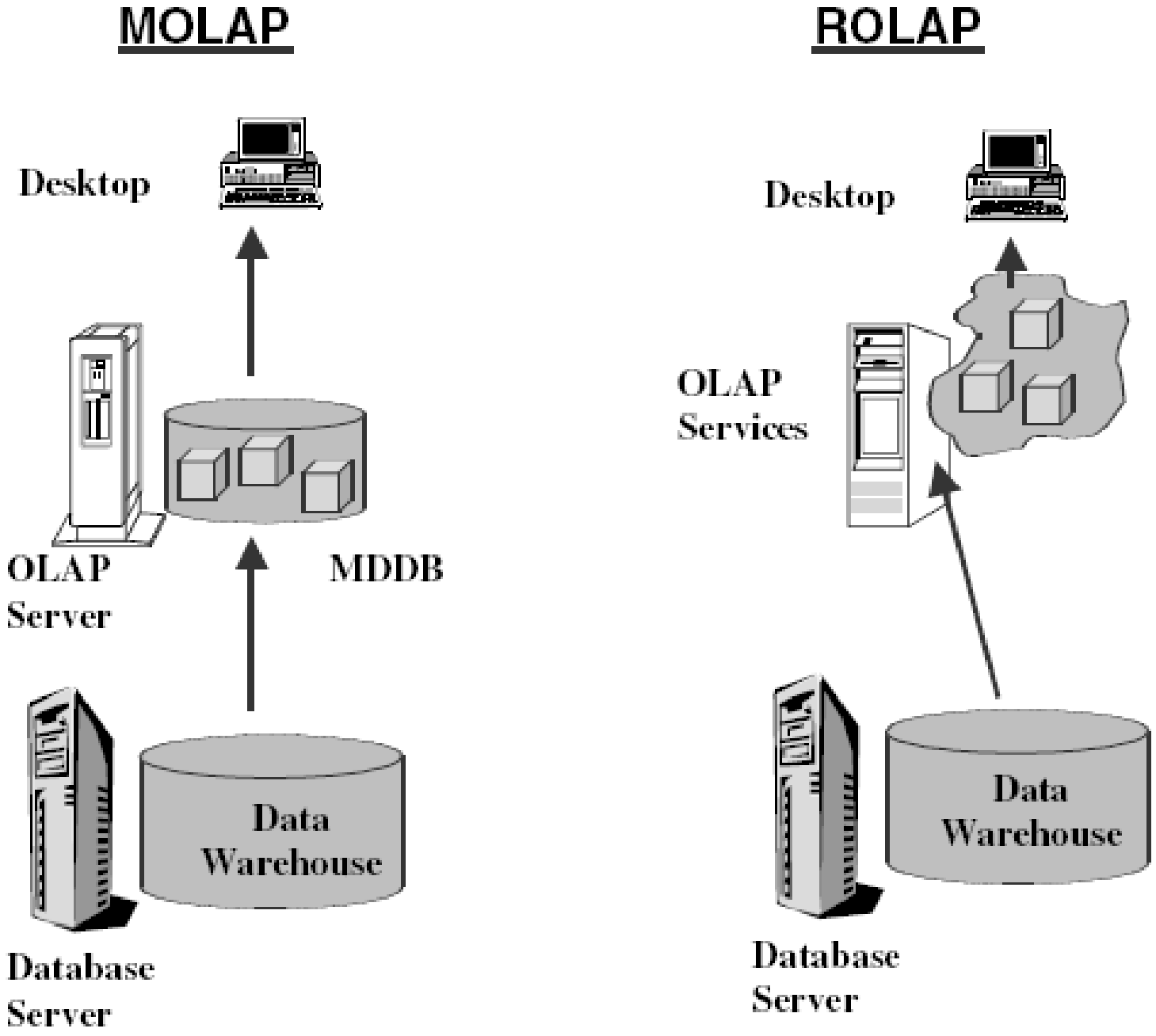
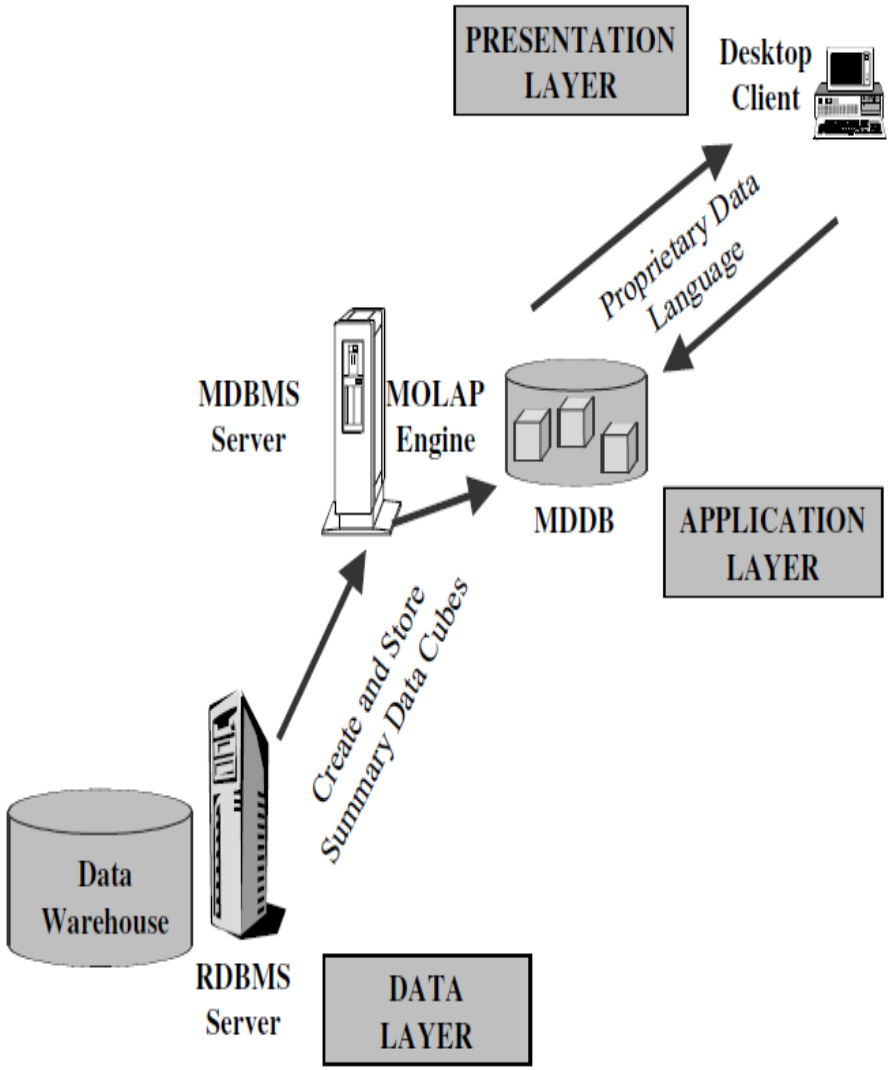


Figure 15-15 OLAP models.

OLAP Models

MOLAP :

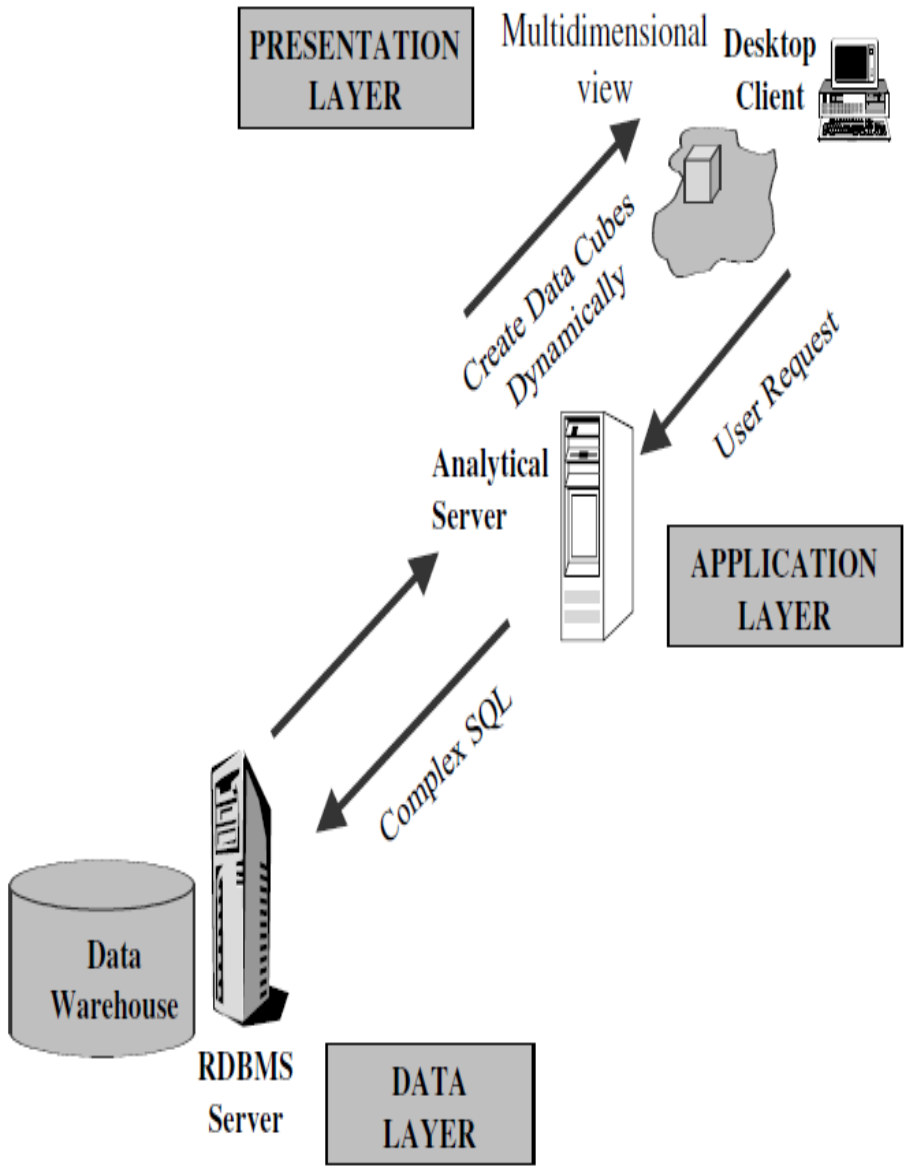
- Multidimensional data storage
- Pre-calculated and prefabricated multi-dimensional data cubes are stored in MDDBs
- MOLAP engine is used to push multidimensional view of the data from MDDBs to user



OLAP Models

ROLAP :

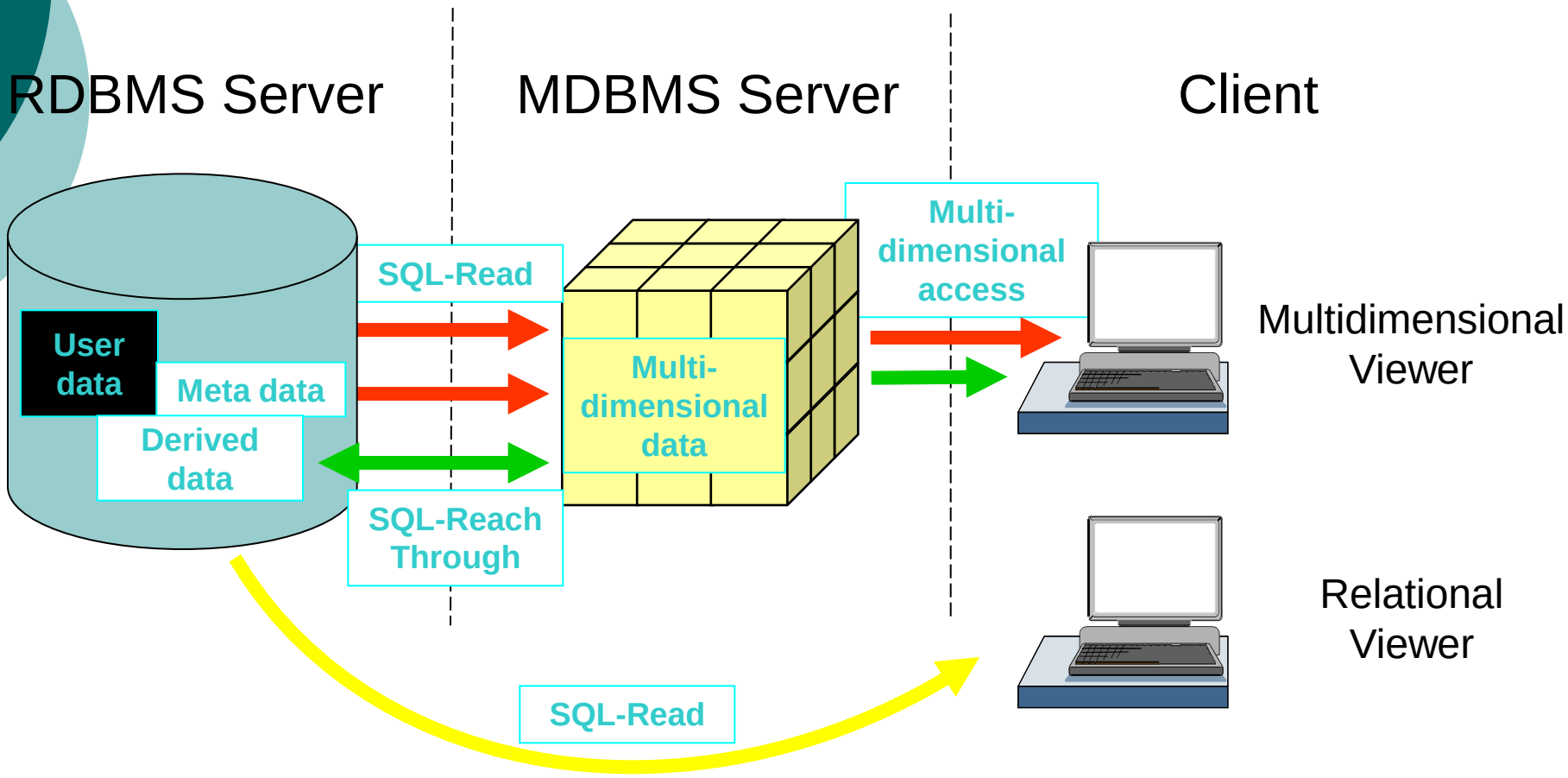
- Use of Relational database
- Complex multi-dimensional view based user queries are transformed into complex SQL queries directed to RDBMS
- Multidimensional view of the data created on the fly by analytical server



Hybrid OLAP – HOLAP

- Best of both worlds
- Storing detailed data in RDBMS
- Storing aggregated data in MDBMS
- User access via MOLAP tools

HOLAP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MDBMS Server
Client
User data
Meta data
Derived data
SQL-Read
SQL-Reach Through
Multi-dimensional data
Multi-dimensional access
Multidimensional Viewer
Relational Viewer
SQL-Read

ROLAP, MOPAL, or HOLAP

IF

A. You require write access
B. Your data is under 50 GB
C. Your timetable to implement is 60-90 days
D. Lowest level already aggregated
E. Data access on aggregated level
F. You're developing a general-purpose application for inventory movement or assets management

THEN

Consider an MDD /MOLAP solution for your data mart

IF

A. Your data is over 100 GB
B. You have a "read-only" requirement
C. Historical data at the lowest level of granularity
D. Detailed access, long-running queries
E. Data assigned to lowest level elements

THEN

Consider an RDBMS/ROLAP solution for your data mart.

IF

A. OLAP on aggregated and detailed data
B. Different user groups
C. Ease of use and detailed data

THEN

Consider an HOLAP for your data mart

Conclusions

- ROLAP: RDBMS -> star/snowflake schema
- MOLAP: MDDB -> Cube structures
- ROLAP or MOLAP: Data models used play major role in performance differences
- MOLAP: for summarized and relatively lesser volumes of data (100GB)
- ROLAP: for detailed and larger volumes of data
- Both storage methods have strengths and weaknesses
- The choice is requirement specific, though currently data warehouses are predominantly built using RDBMSs/ROLAP.
- ***HOLAP is emerging as the OLPA server of choice***