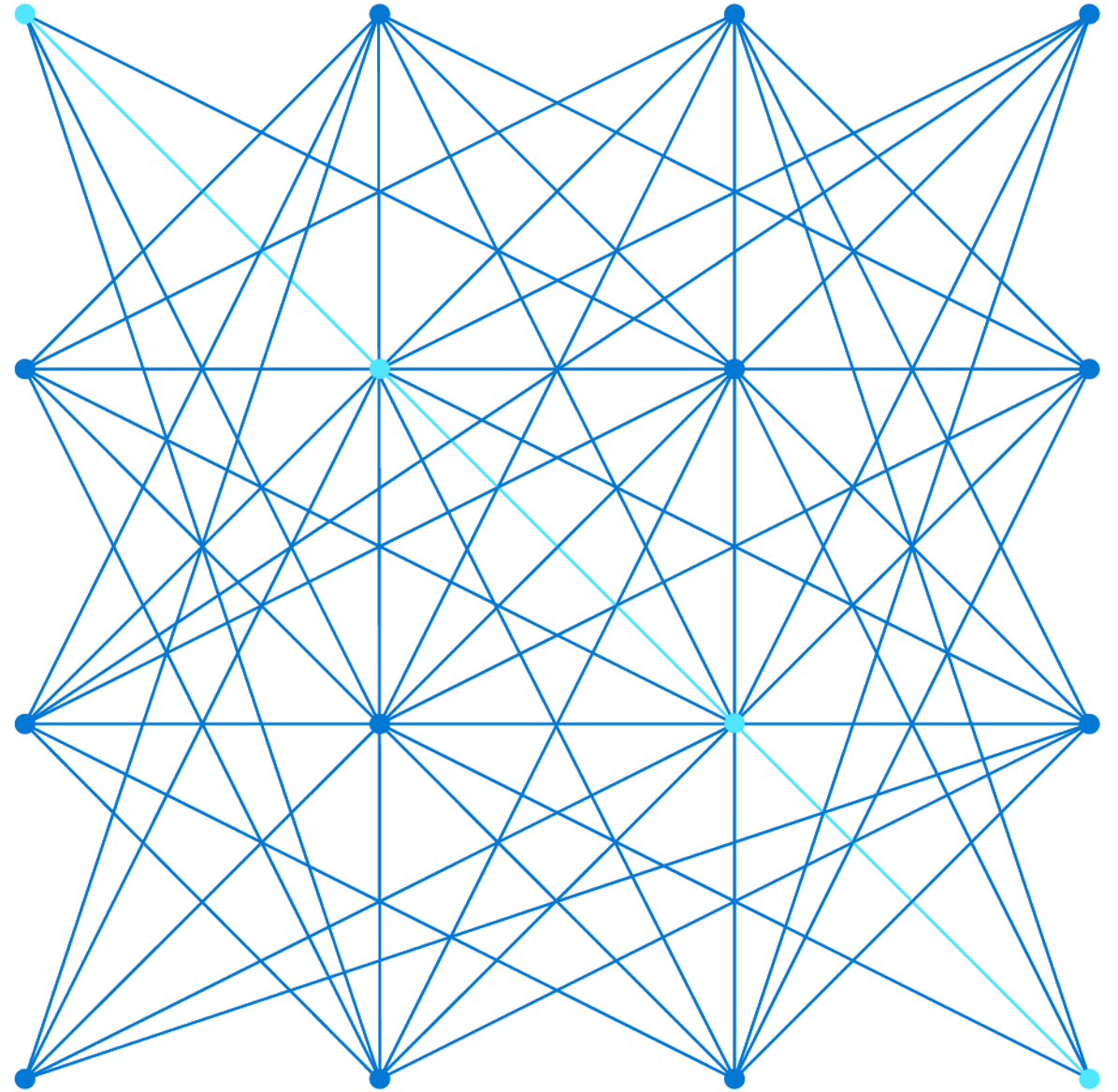


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Module 5: Create Model Calculations using DAX in Power BI

Learning Objectives

You will learn the following concepts:

- DAX
 - Measures
 - Calculated columns
 - Context
 - Time-Intelligence



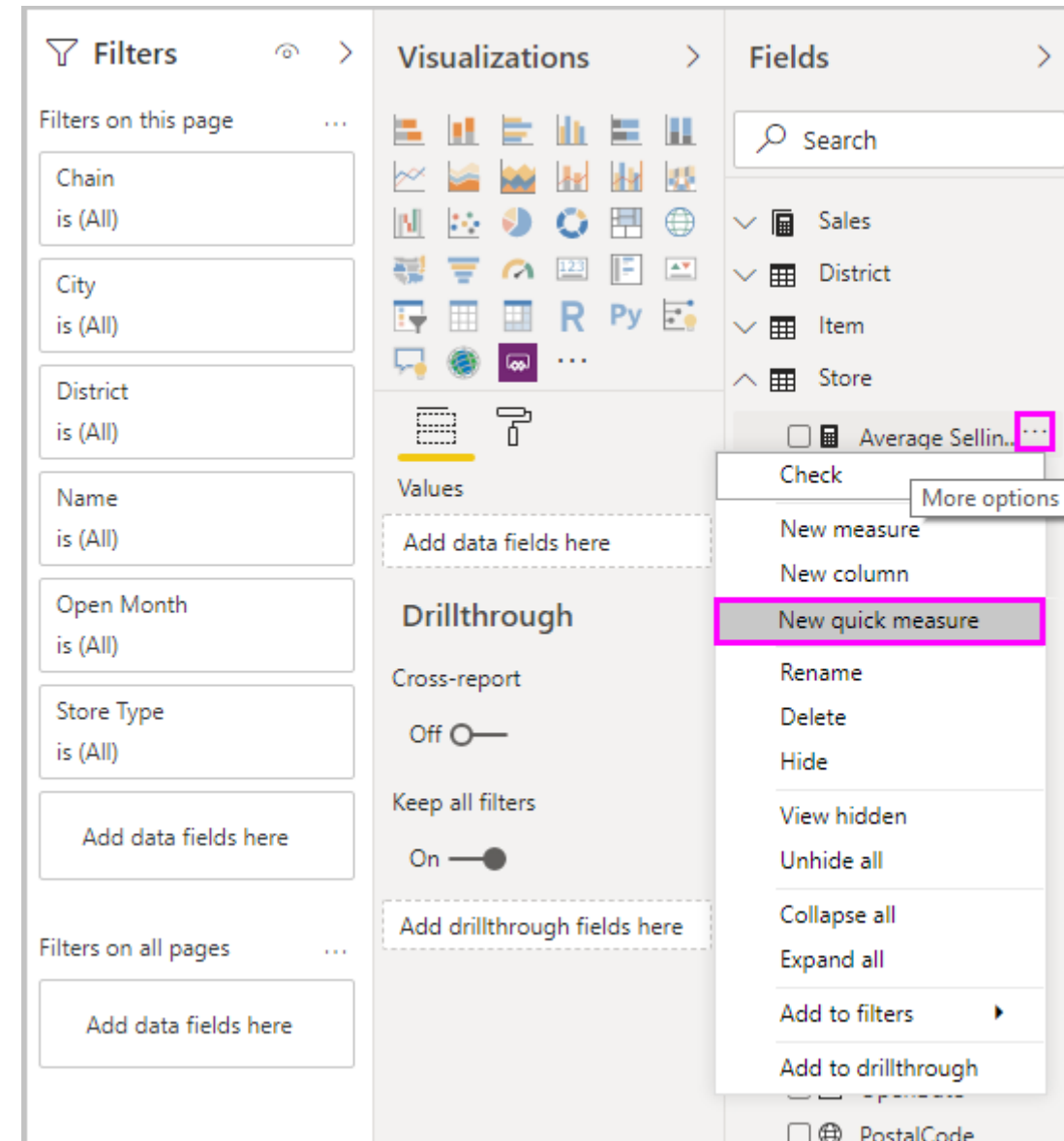
Lesson 1: Introduction to DAX

Introduction to DAX

- Data Analysis Expressions (DAX).
- Developed by Microsoft.
- A library of functions and operators.
- Build formulas and expressions.
- Create calculated tables, columns, and measures.

Measures

- Measures are a summarization of data.
- A way of defining aggregate calculations on data.
- Often called “Calculated Measures”.



Calculated Columns

Structure		Formatting		Properties		Column
X ✓		1		Column =		
10248	11	12	\$14			
10248	42	10	\$9.8			
10248	72	5	\$34.8			
10249	14	9	\$18.6			
10249	51	40	\$42.4			
10250	41	10	\$7.7			

Order ID	Product ID	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price
10248	11	12	\$14	\$168
10248	42	10	\$9.8	\$98
10248	72	5	\$34.8	\$174
10249	14	9	\$18.6	\$167.4
10249	51	40	\$42.4	\$1,696
10250	41	10	\$7.7	\$77
10250	51	35	\$42.4	\$1,484
10250	65	15	\$16.8	\$252
10251	22	6	\$16.8	\$100.8
10251	57	15	\$15.6	\$234
10251	65	20	\$16.8	\$336
10252	20	40	\$64.8	\$2,592
10252	33	25	\$2	\$50
10252	60	40	\$27.2	\$1,088

Total Price = 'Sales OrderDetails'[Quantity] * 'Sales OrderDetails'[Unit Price]

Columns vs. Measures

- Calculated column creates a value for each row in a table.
- Calculated column values are stored in the Power BI .pbix file.
- Measures are calculated on demand.
- Measures are calculated based on filters.

Review Questions

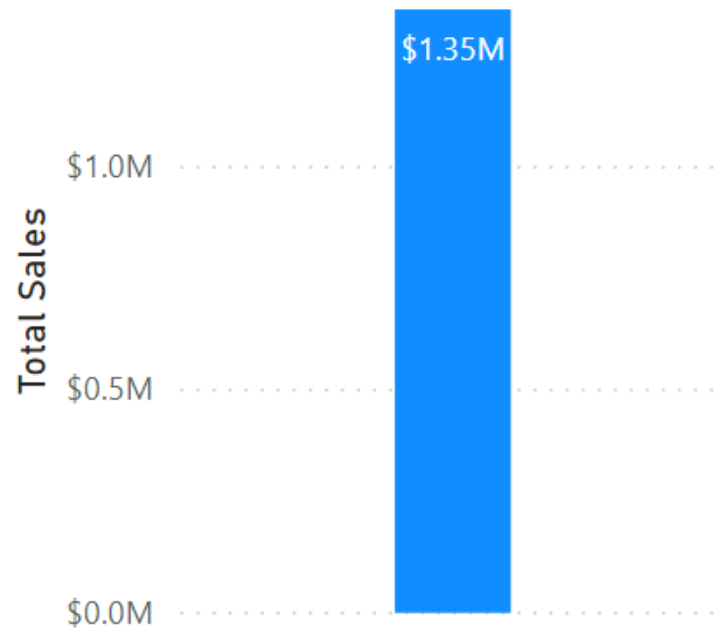
- Q01 – Which are calculated on demand? Calculated columns or Measures?
- A01 – Measures
- Q02 – Which are based on filters? Calculated columns or Measures based?
- A01 – Measures

Lesson 2: DAX Content

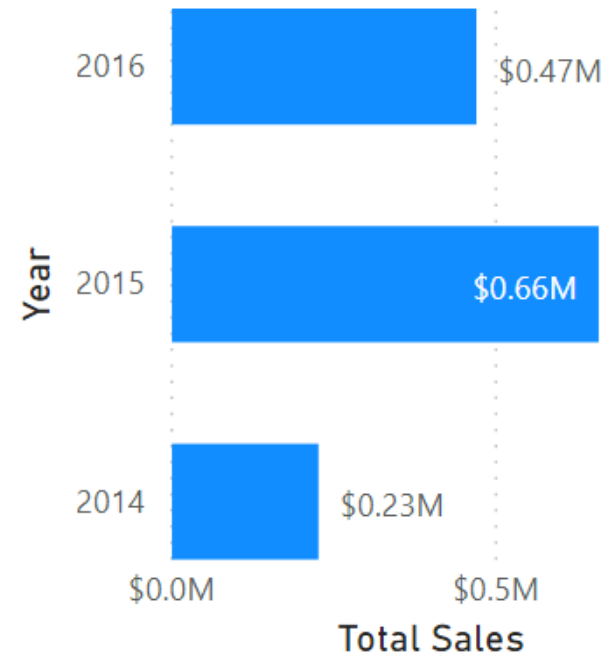


Understanding Context

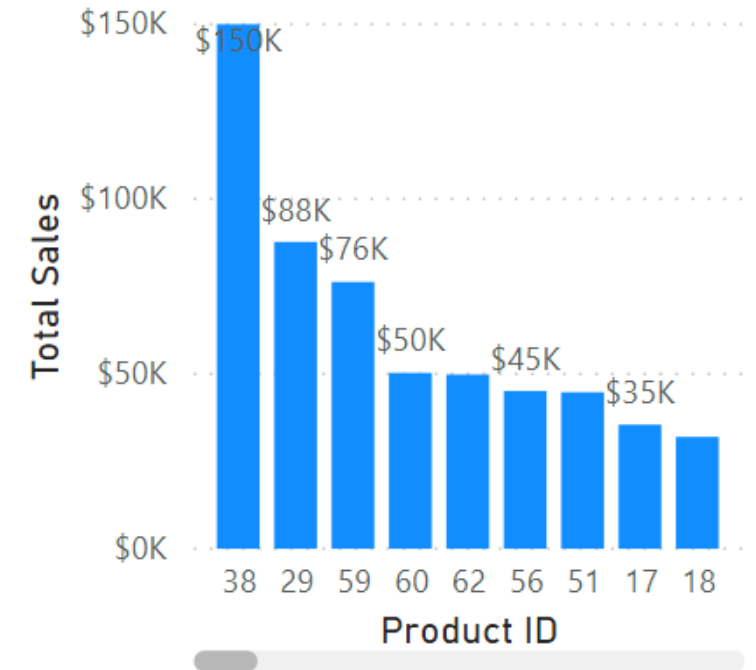
Total Sales



Total Sales by Year



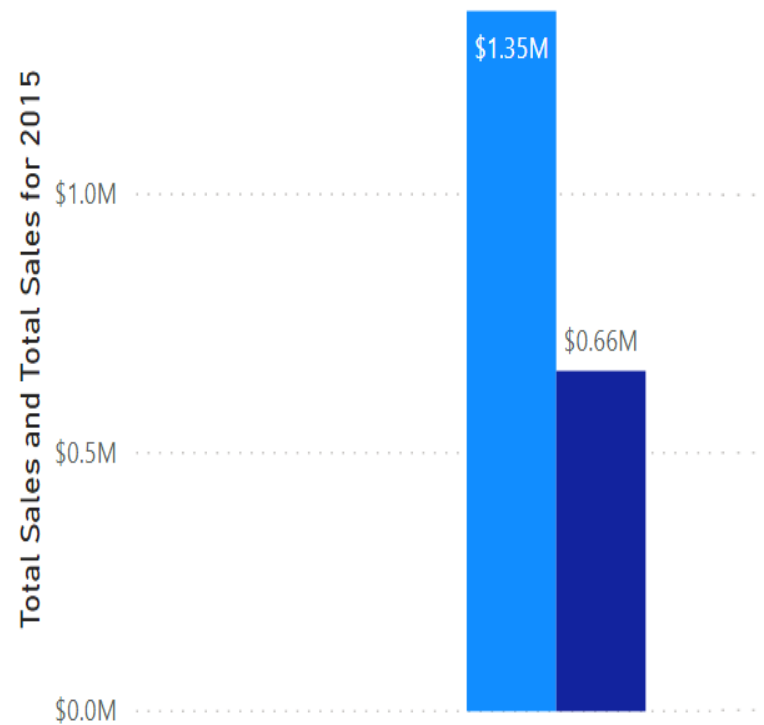
Total Sales by Product ID



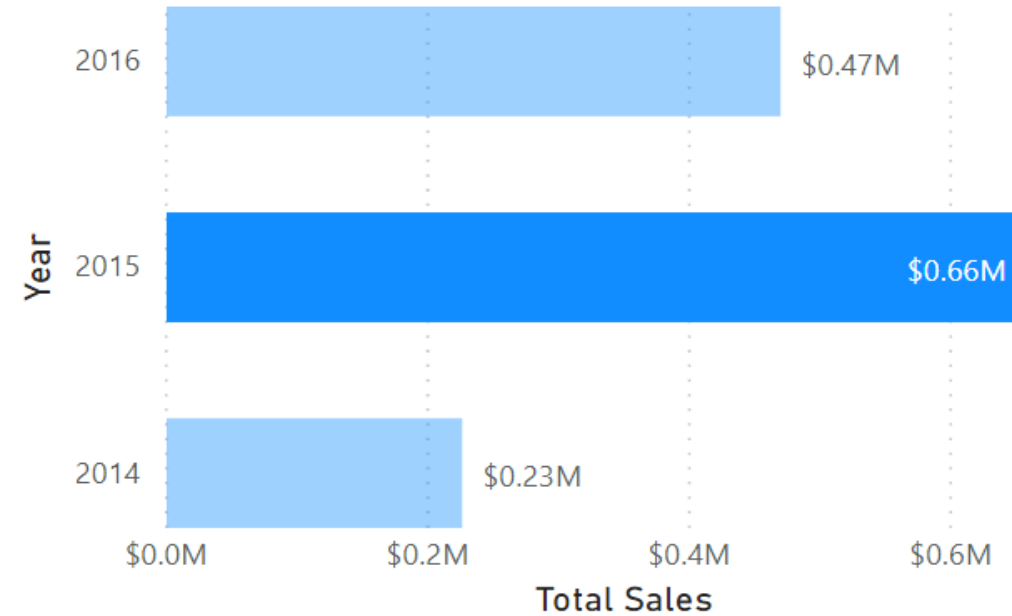
The CALCULATE() Function

Total Sales and Total Sales for 2015

● Total Sales ● Total Sales for 2015



Total Sales by Year



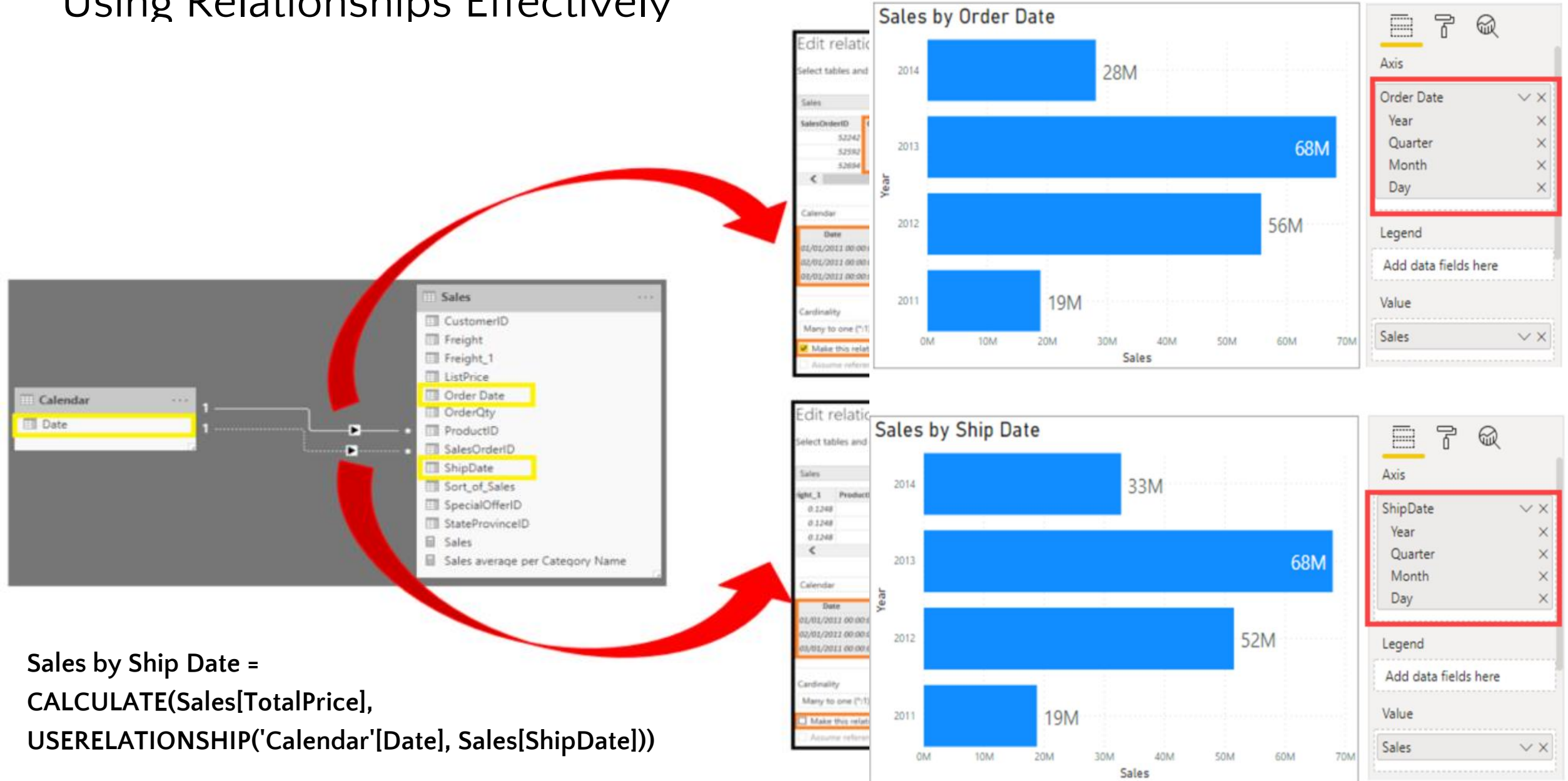
Review Questions

- Q01 – Which DAX function evaluates an expression in a modified filter context?
- A01 – CALCULATE
- Q02 – Why would you want to override the default context?
- A02 – To create measures that behave according to your intentions, regardless of what the user selects.

Lesson 3: Advanced DAX



Using Relationships Effectively



Sales by Ship Date =
 CALCULATE(Sales[TotalPrice],
 USERELATIONSHIP('Calendar'[Date], Sales[ShipDate]))

Semi-additive Measures

- Use SUM() to aggregate over one set of dimensions while using different aggregations over other dimensions.
- Commonly used over Time dimensions.
- Ex: calculating inventory each month.

```
Last Inventory Count =  
    CALCULATE  
    (  
        SUM ( 'Warehouse'[Inventory Count]  
    ),  
        LASTDATE ( 'Date'[Date] )  
    )
```

Time-Intelligence

Month	2014	2015	2016
January		\$66,692.8	\$100,854.72
February		\$107,900	\$205,416.67
March		\$147,879.9	\$315,242.12
April		\$203,579.29	\$449,872.68
May		\$260,402.99	\$469,771.34
June		\$299,490.99	\$469,771.34
July	\$30,192.1	\$354,955.92	\$469,771.34
August	\$56,801.5	\$404,937.61	\$469,771.34
September	\$84,437.5	\$464,670.63	\$469,771.34
October	\$125,641.1	\$534,999.13	\$469,771.34
November	\$175,345.1	\$580,912.49	\$469,771.34
December	\$226,298.5	\$658,388.75	\$469,771.34
Total	\$226,298.5	\$658,388.75	\$469,771.34

Year	Month	Total Sales	Total Sales Previous Month
2015	March	\$39,979.9	\$41,207.2
2015	April	\$55,699.39	\$39,979.9
2015	May	\$56,823.7	\$55,699.39
2015	June	\$39,088	\$56,823.7
2015	July	\$55,464.93	\$39,088
2015	August	\$49,981.69	\$55,464.93
2015	September	\$59,733.02	\$49,981.69
2015	October	\$70,328.5	\$59,733.02
2015	November	\$45,913.36	\$70,328.5
2015	December	\$77,476.26	\$45,913.36

Total Sales Previous Month = CALCULATE
(
SUM('SalesOrderDetails'[Total price]
, PREVIOUSMONTH(Dates[Date])
)

Review Questions

- Q01 – What type of Measure uses SUM to aggregate over one set of dimensions and a different aggregation over a different set of dimension?
- A01 – Semi-additive
- Q02 – What type of functions enable you to manipulate data using time periods?
- A02 – Time intelligence
- Q03 – Which two functions will help you compare dates to the previous month?
- A03 – CALCULATE and PREVIOUSMONTH

Module Overview

We covered the following concepts:

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