Power BI - Intermediate

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Housekeeping

- Student check
- Installation and environment setup
 - Download install PBI desktop client
 - Connect to github repo
 - https://github.com/gpsuser/PBI
 - Get data files
- 10 min break on the hour (time permitting)
- Hands on course

Agenda

- Data Modelling Concepts
 - Dimensional Modelling
- Dimensional Modelling Business Case
- Designing a Data Model
 - Dimensional Model
- Implementing a Data Model
 - Dimensional Model Star Schema
- Including Measures in the Data Model
- Dax Aggregation within a Dimensional Model
- Generating Reports

Data Modelling

Data Modelling Re-cap

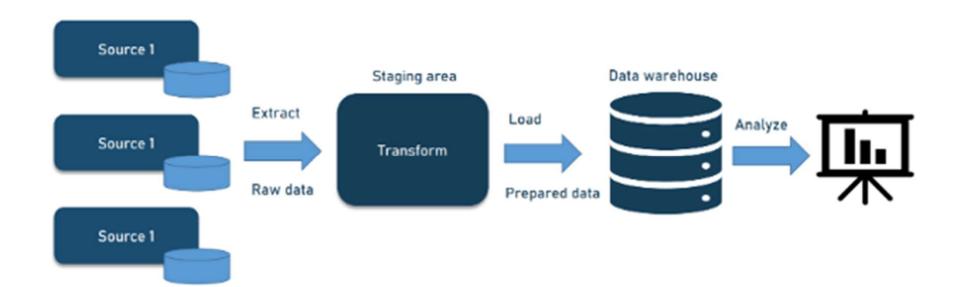
- Data warehouse large store of data for analytics and reporting
- Data model structured and logical organization of data showing relationship between data elements
- Multidimensional schema model different dimensions to track entities/actions concerning data warehouse activities
 - Referred to as dimensional modelling
- A good starting point to understanding multidimensional schema is the star schema

Business logic behind dimensional modelling

- Dimensional models:
 - optimise performance,
 - simplify data management,
 - enhances analytical capabilities, and
 - supports scalability and flexibility
- Preferred choice for data warehousing and business intelligence applications
 - Dimensional modelling: On-premises vs. cloud implementations

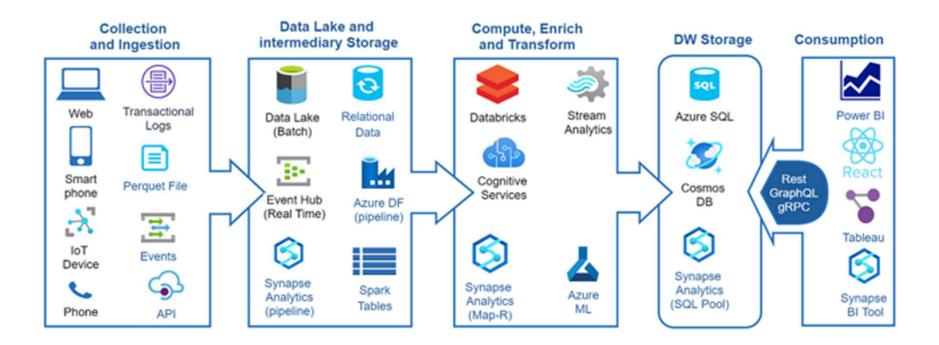
On Premise Pattern

• On premise Extract Transform Load (ETL) architecture



Cloud Pattern

• Cloud based Extract Load Transform (ELT) architecture



Business logic behind dimensional modelling

more detail

- Improved Query Performance
- Fact tables store large amounts of transactional data, while dimension tables store descriptive attributes. This separation allows for more efficient queries, as the database can quickly join smaller dimension tables with the fact table
- 2. Simplified Data Management
- By organizing data into fact and dimension tables, you reduce redundancy and ensure consistency. Dimension tables centralize descriptive data, making it easier to update and maintain
- 3. Enhanced Data Analysis
- Star schemas facilitate complex queries and reporting. Analysts can easily slice and dice data along different dimensions (e.g., time, product, customer) to gain insights

Business logic behind dimensional modelling

more detail

4. Scalability

 Fact tables can grow significantly over time, but dimension tables typically remain relatively small. This structure supports scalability, allowing the data warehouse to handle large volumes of data without performance degradation

• 5. Flexibility

 Star schemas provide flexibility in data modeling. You can add new dimensions or facts without disrupting existing queries and reports, making it easier to adapt to changing business needs

6. Data Integrity

 Normalizing data into fact and dimension tables helps maintain data integrity. Each piece of information is stored once, reducing the risk of inconsistencies

• 7. User-Friendly

 Star schemas are intuitive and easier for business users to understand. The clear separation between facts and dimensions aligns well with how users think about their data

Dimensional Modelling example

- Start with single table of raw data
- Split into single Fact and multiple Dimension tables to create Star Schema

Start with Single Table

Raw data (de-nomalised)

| SaleID | ProductName | CustomerName | SaleDate | Amount |
|--------|-------------|--------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | Widget A | Alice | 2024-01-01 | 100.00 |
| 2 | Widget B | Bob | 2024-01-02 | 150.00 |
| 3 | Widget C | Charlie | 2024-01-03 | 200.00 |
| 4 | Widget A | David | 2024-01-04 | 100.00 |
| 5 | Widget B | Eve | 2024-01-05 | 150.00 |

Concepts

Keys and Normalisation

- Primary Keys (part of fact table and dimension tables)
- Foreign Keys (part of fact table)
- Normalisation
 - Creating separate tables in dimensional architectures aims to reduce redundancy and the resulting tables are said to be in Normal Form

Transform into Multiple Tables

- Star Shema
 - Single Fact Table
 - Multiple Dimension Tables
- Tables connect to each other through KEY columns
- Fact Table
 - contains a PRIMARY KEY and FOREIGN KEYS
- Dimension Tables
 - contain PRIMARY KEYS that connect to the Fact table FOREIGN_KEYS

Normalisation vs. Denormalisation

- Creating separate tables in dimensional architectures aims to reduce redundancy - and the resulting tables are said to be in Normal Form
 - There are varying degrees of normal form
 - These normal forms help in organizing data efficiently, reducing redundancy, and ensuring data integrity.
- The initial raw data table before creating fact and dimension tables –
 is referred to as being Denormalised and contains redundant or
 repeated data

Data Modelling – Star Schema Fact Table

- Fact table is the central table in a star schema
- Fact tables typically contain measurable information relating to an event
 - such as a sales or transaction event
 - can contain quantitative information
 - can contain string information
 - contains PRIMARY KEY and FOREIGN KEYS
- Fact table connects to Dimension tables with FOREIGN KEYS

Data Modelling – Star Schema

Dimension Tables

- Dimension tables hold PRIMARY KEYS that connect to the FOREIGN KEYS in the Fact table
- Dimension tables contain descriptive information
- Example:
 - Dim_Product table contains descriptive information about products that are identifiable in the Fact table through the relevant FOREIGN KEY

Sales Table Fact Table

| SaleID | ProductID | CustomerID | SaleDate | Amount |
|--------|-----------|------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 2024-01-01 | 100.00 |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 2024-01-02 | 150.00 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 2024-01-03 | 200.00 |
| 4 | 1 | 4 | 2024-01-04 | 100.00 |
| 5 | 2 | 5 | 2024-01-05 | 150.00 |

Products Table

Dimension Table

| ProductID | ProductName |
|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | Widget A |
| 2 | Widget B |
| 3 | Widget C |

Customers Table

Dimension Table

| CustomerID | CustomerName |
|------------|--------------|
| 1 | Alice |
| 2 | Bob |
| 3 | Charlie |
| 4 | David |
| 5 | Eve |

Hands On Lab

- Create a Star Schema in Power BI
- Import the Fact and Dimension tables
- Join tables
- Extend Dimensions
- Create measures
- Create tables with DAX

Get Data

Home

- > Get Data > Excel Workbook
- Navigate to project folder
 - Raw Data > Open> Raw Data> Transform Data > Date Time > Data Type > Date/Time > Replace Current > Close & Apply > Close & Apply

Home

- > Get Data > Excel Workbook
- Navigate to project folder
 - > Fact Sales > Open> Fact Sales > Transform Data > Date Time > Data Type
 - > Date/Time > Replace Current > Close & Apply > Close & Apply

Get Data

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- > Get Data > Excel Workbook
- Navigate to project folder
 - > Dim Customer > Open> Dim Customer > Load

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- Navigate to project folder
 - > Dim Product > Open> Dim Product > Load

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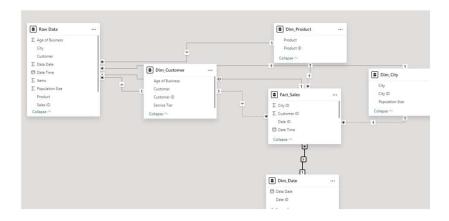
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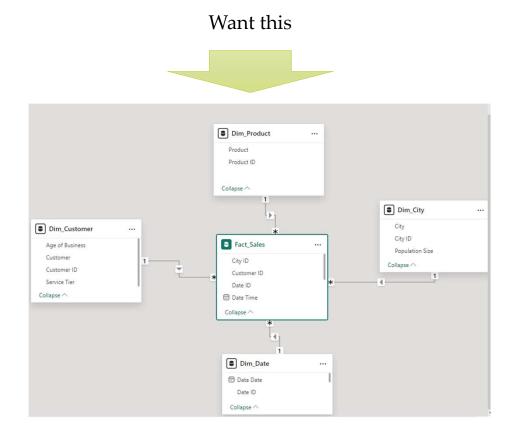
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Disconnect Raw Data Relationships Recreate Relationships





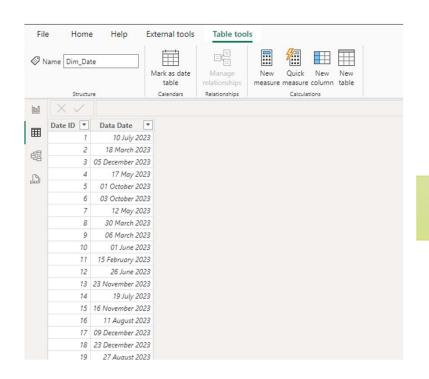


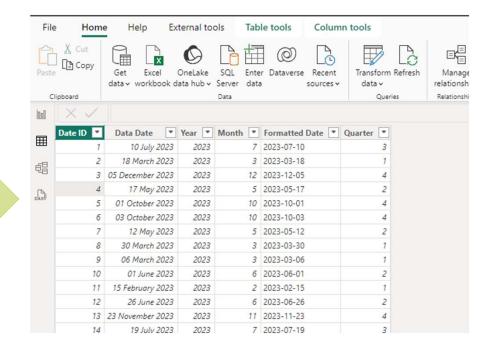
Extend Date Dimension Table

Insert Columns

```
• Select >
      • Dim_Date
• New Column >
      • Formatted Date = FORMAT(Dim_Date[Data Date],"YYYY-mm-dd")
• New Column >
      • Year = YEAR(Dim_Date[Data Date])
• New Column >
      • Month = INT(RIGHT(LEFT(Dim_Date[Formatted Date],7),2))
• New Column >
      • Quarter = QUARTER(Dim_Date[Data Date])
```

Extended Date Dimension Table



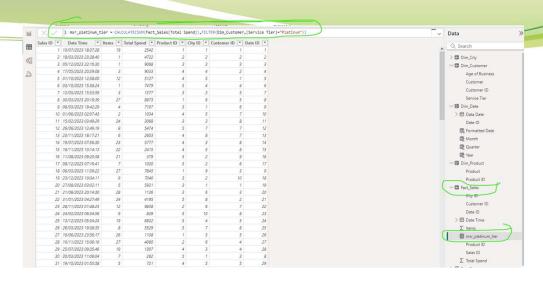


MEASURES

- Data panel
- Go to Fact table
- New Measure



- Pag1 1
- Card



MEASURES

- Data panel
- Go to Fact table
- New Measure
- msr_customers_prod_items =
 CALCULATE(COUNT(Fact_Sales[Customer
 ID]),FILTER(Fact_Sales,(Fact_Sales[Product ID]=2 ||
 Fact_Sales[Product ID] = 1) && Fact_Sales[Items]>25))
- Pag1 1
- Card > Fields > drag and drop the measure

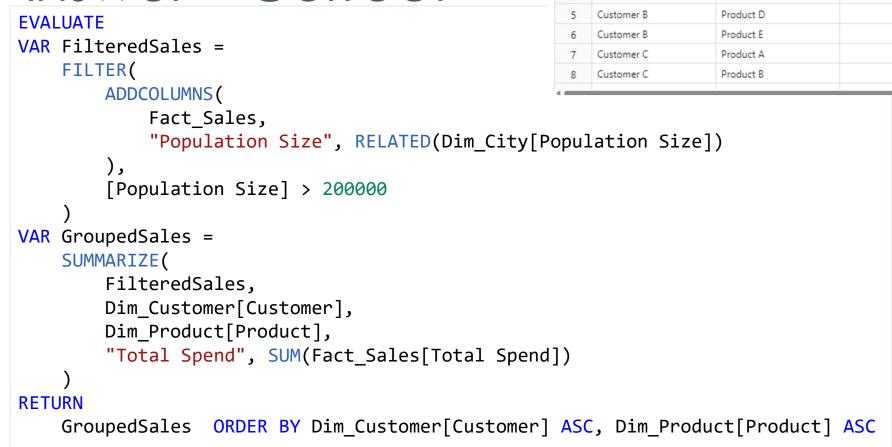
Copilot – Prompt Aggregation using DAX

Please generate the dax code that will allow me to group by Dim_Customer[Customer] and Dim_Product[Product] and then calculate the sum of Fact_Sales[Total Spend], WHERE Dim_City[Population Size] > 200000 and sort by customer and product

Answer - Incorrect

```
EVALUATE
VAR FilteredSales =
    FILTER(
        ADDCOLUMNS (
            Fact Sales,
            "Population Size", RELATED(Dim City[Population Size])
        [Population Size] > 200000
VAR GroupedSales =
    SUMMARIZE(
        FilteredSales,
        Dim Customer[Customer],
        Dim Product[Product],
        "Total Spend", SUM(Fact_Sales[Total Spend])
RETURN
    SORTBY(GroupedSales, Dim Customer[Customer], ASC, Dim Product[Product], ASC)
```

Answer - Correct



Results

Result 1 of 1 V

Dim_Customer[Customer]

Customer A

Customer A

Customer A

Customer B

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[Total Spend]

2542

10897

5931

14483

1344

6922

1190

18381

Dim_Product[Product]

Product A

Product B

Product D

Product A

Creating a table from DAX

Don't include sorting

```
tbl_GroupByTest =
VAR FilteredSales =
    FILTER(
        ADDCOLUMNS (
            Fact Sales,
            "Population Size", RELATED(Dim City[Population Size])
        [Population Size] > 200000
VAR GroupedSales =
    SUMMARIZE(
        FilteredSales,
        Dim Customer[Customer],
        Dim Product[Product],
        "Total Spend", SUM(Fact Sales[Total Spend])
RETURN
    GroupedSales
```

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Name | tbl_GroupByTest
                                                  Manage
                                                relationships
               ▼ Product ▼ Total Spend ▼
                                         2542
                   Product C
                                         4722
     Customer J
                   Product B
     Customer J
                                         9033
                   Product E
                                         12748
     Customer H
     Customer E
                   Product D
                                         16082
     Customer C
                   Product E
                                         5474
     Customer C
                   Product B
                                         18381
     Customer I
                   Product E
                                           379
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