



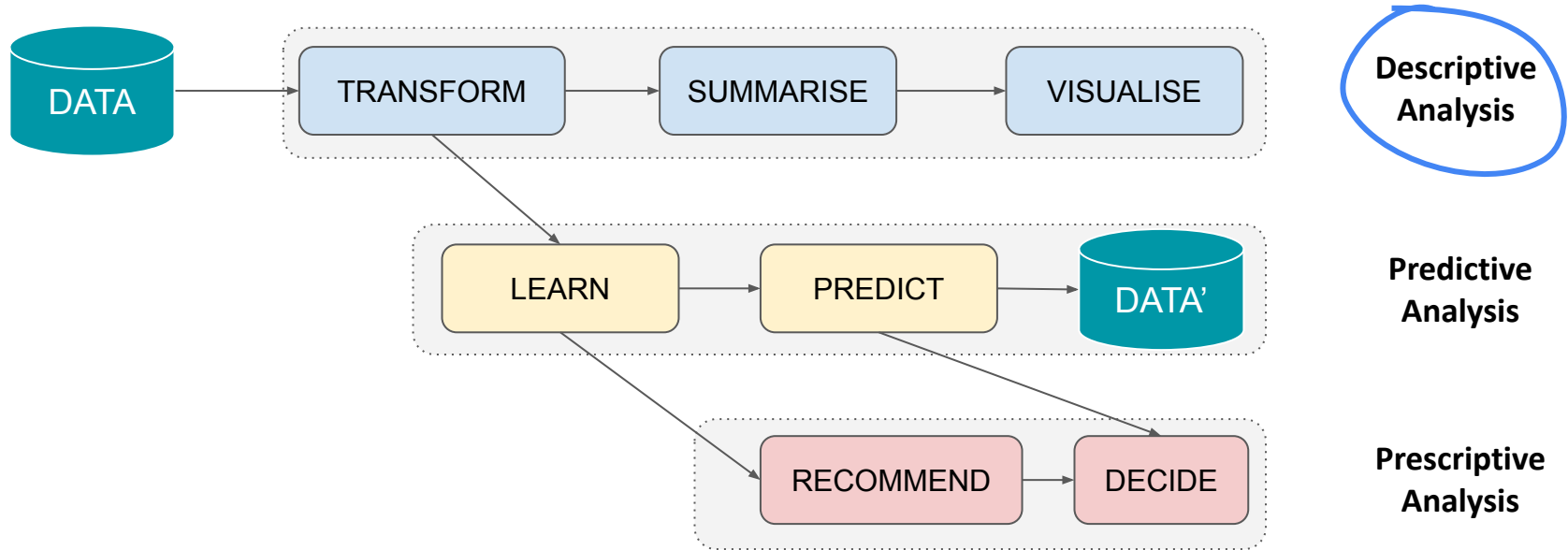
Descriptive Analysis

The multidimensional model

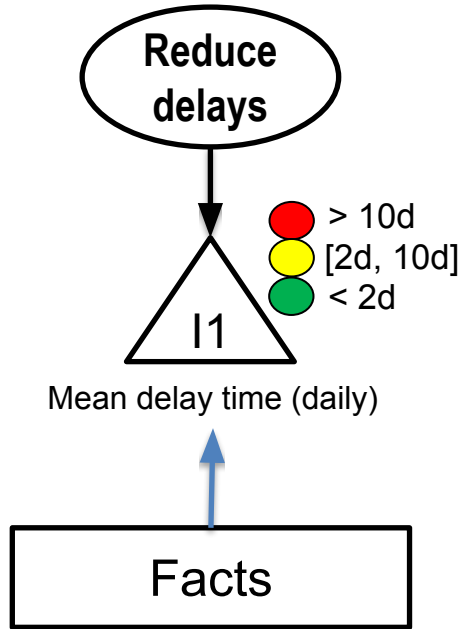
We will learn

- The relation of strategic goals, indicators and facts
- To transform data to analysis facts
- To obtain analytical cubes from facts
- To apply OLAP with Python and Pandas

Reminder: DATA VALUE CHAINS



Goals, indicators, facts



An indicator monitors the degree of achievement of a goal.

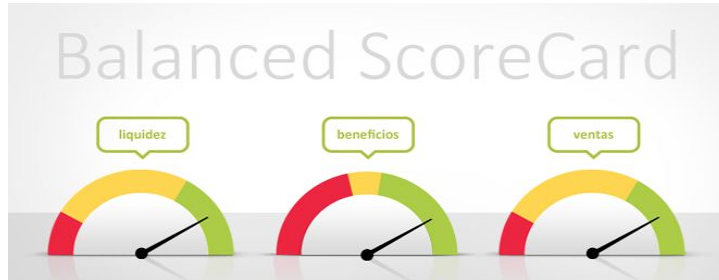
It is expressed as a ratio, a percentage, a proportion, etc.

It is preferably normalized.

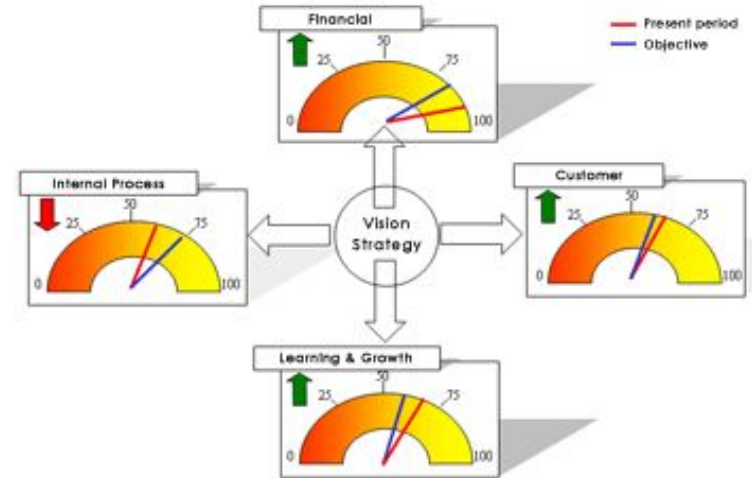
It is always TEMPORAL (to monitor its evolution)

Qualitative values (traffic lights) are set by defining a series of reference values (thresholds).

Visual tools: Control Panels



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Scorecard (W)						More ▾
Name	Latest	Trend	% Chg	Tgt	% Tgt	
↓ Number Of Sales Number Of Sales	£27 May-12		-4 %	£23	17 %	
↓ Spend Advertising & Leads	£6,373 May-12		-2 %	£6,600	-3 %	
↓ Invoiced Financials	£49,001.00 May-12		-4 %	£50,000.00	-2 %	

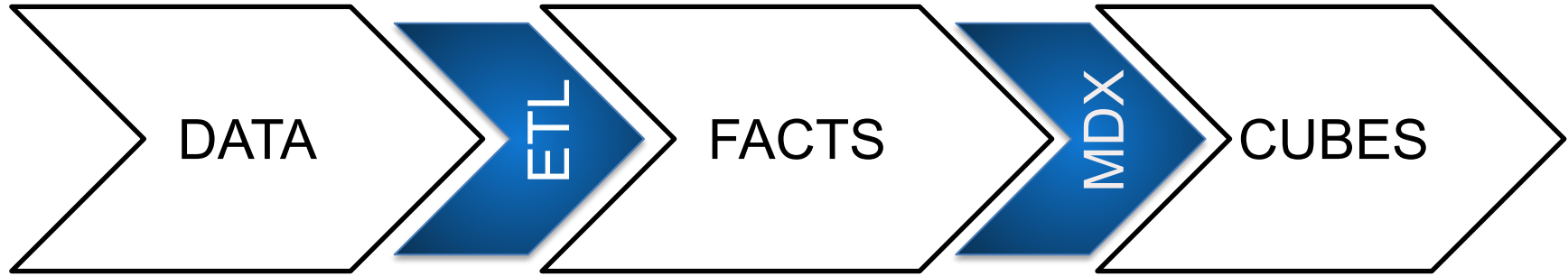
Key Performance Indicator (KPI)

- Definition of strategic measures
- Definition of goals and brands
- Continuous monitoring

Visual tools: Dashboards



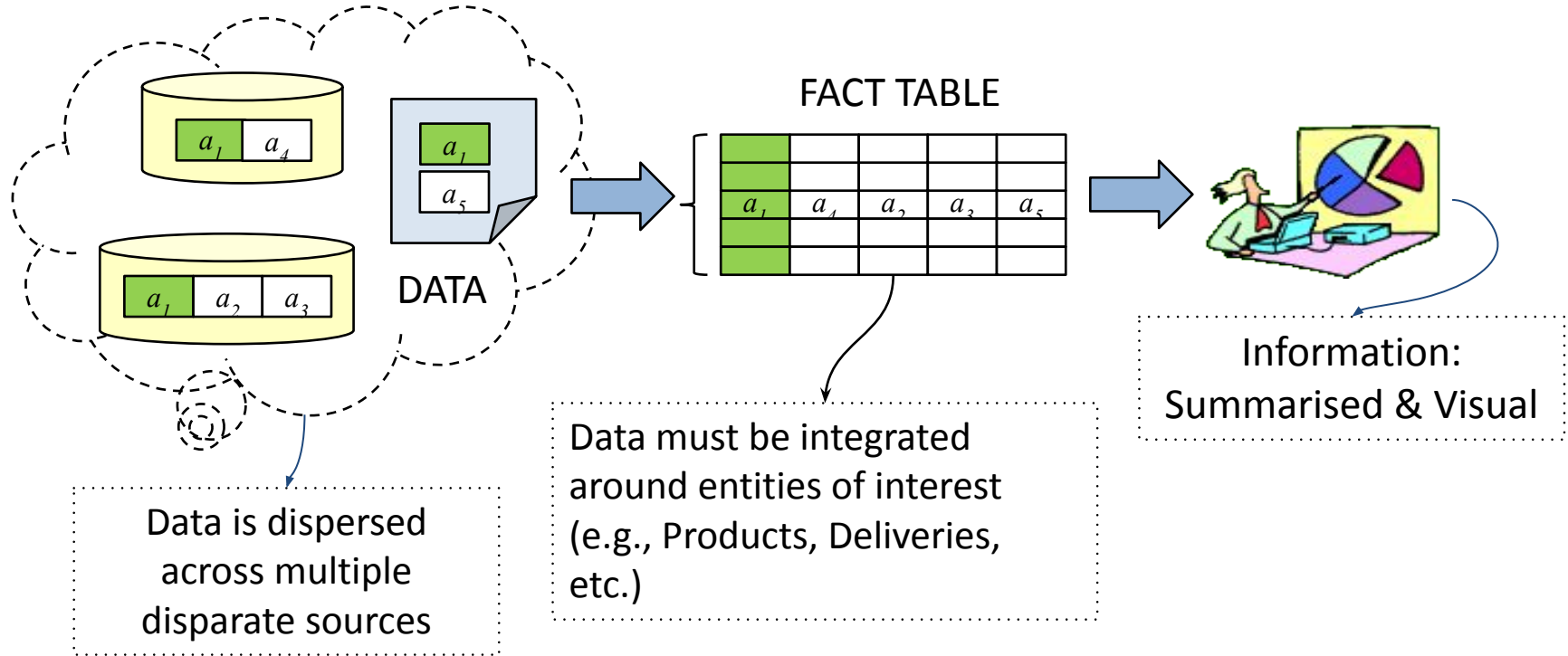
Multidimensional Analysis Process



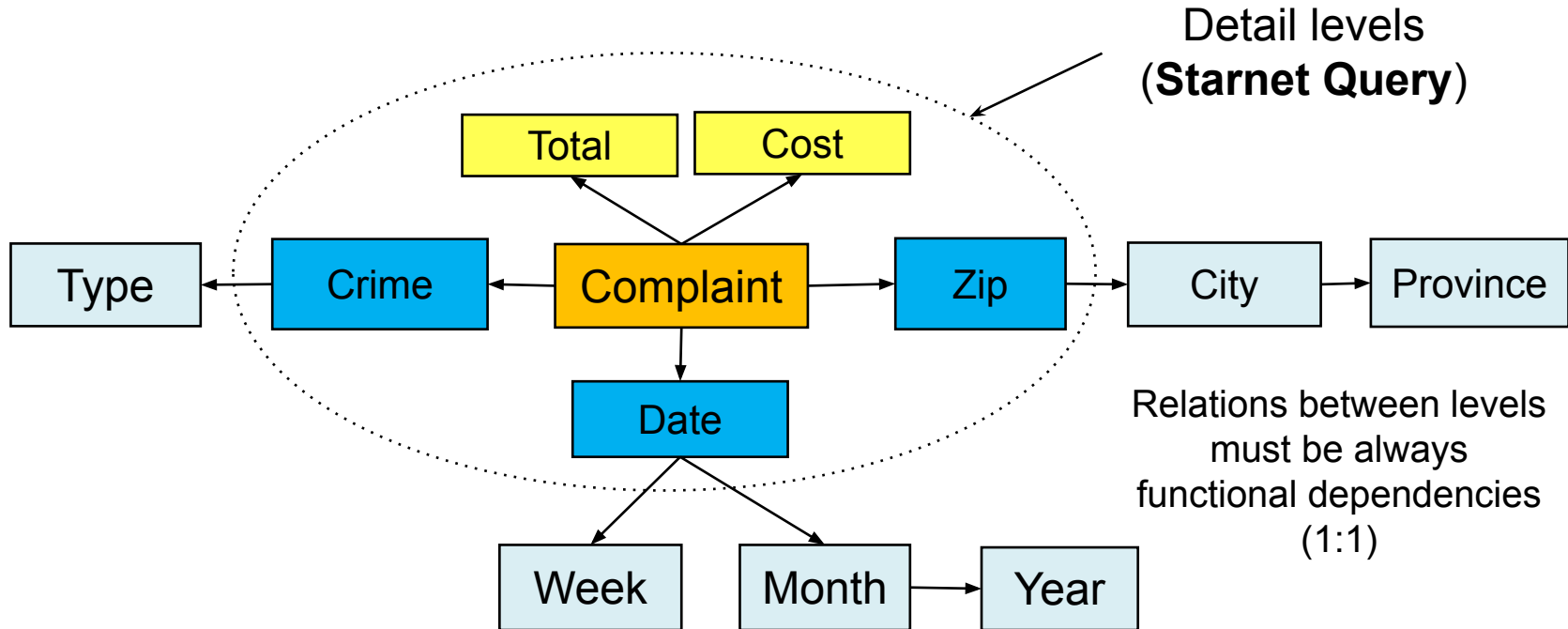
Extract, Transform
& Load

OLAP
OnLine Analytical
Processing

Data Value Chain for Descriptive Analysis



FACTS = DIMENSIONES + MEASURES



FACT TABLES

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FACTS

DIMENSIONS					MEASURES		
Complaint	Type	Zip	City	Prov.	Date	Cost	Total
theft	T1	12003	Castellón	CS	12/10/2019	1520	5
vandalism	T2	12004	Castellón	CS	12/10/2019	3400	1
assault	T1	12005	Almassora	CS	14/10/2019	12000	1
theft	T1	12003	Castellón	CS	12/10/2019	30	1
burglary	T1	12023	Castellón	CS	13/10/2019	105	3

Dimensions compound the primary key of the table
(all details)

Aggregation?

CUBES: arranging facts into a multidimensional model

The multidimensional model is based on the data structure called **CUBE**.

The cells of the cube are accessed by a series of **dimensions** which:

- must be orthogonal (non dependent)
- can have associated different levels of detail

Each cube cell contains the observed **measures** for its dimension values.

It works similar to a multidimensional dictionary:

Sales['Castellón']['February']['PCs'] = {Total:23, Sum:45}

cube dimensions measures

Mesures

A measure is a **numerical function** that can be evaluated in each cell of the cube.

The measure value of a cell is computed by **aggregating** the cells contained in it.

Types of measure functions:

- **Distributive**: We can directly aggregate the sub-cells.
count(), sum(), min(), max()
- **Algebraic**: we need to derive the measure combining distributive measures, for example $\text{avg}() = \text{sum}() / \text{count}()$, $\text{range}() = \text{max}() - \text{min}()$, $\text{standard_deviation}()$...
- **Holistic**: other measures that cannot be aggregated from partial results
median(), mode(), etc.

Exercise: Build an algebraic aggregator for the standard deviation, which can be expressed as $\sqrt{E(x^2) - (E(x))^2}$

Item (type)

Servers
Laptops
PCs

Sales['Castellón']['Feb.']['PCs']

Place (city level)

Castellón

34 23 32 12

Valencia

20 12 5 0

Alicante

13 15 10 0

Zamora

2 8

León

9 10

Jan.

Feb.

Mar.

Apr.

May

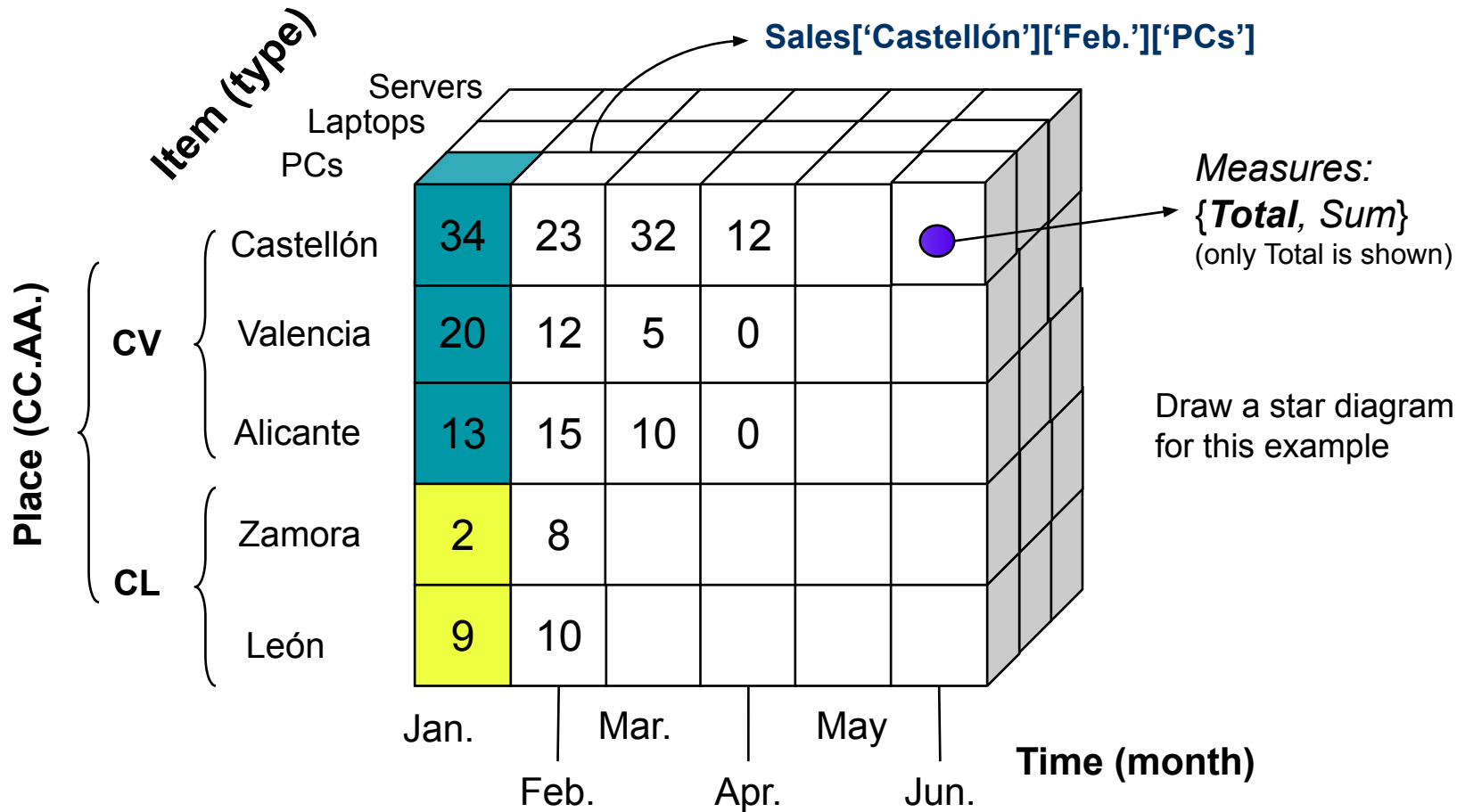
Jun.

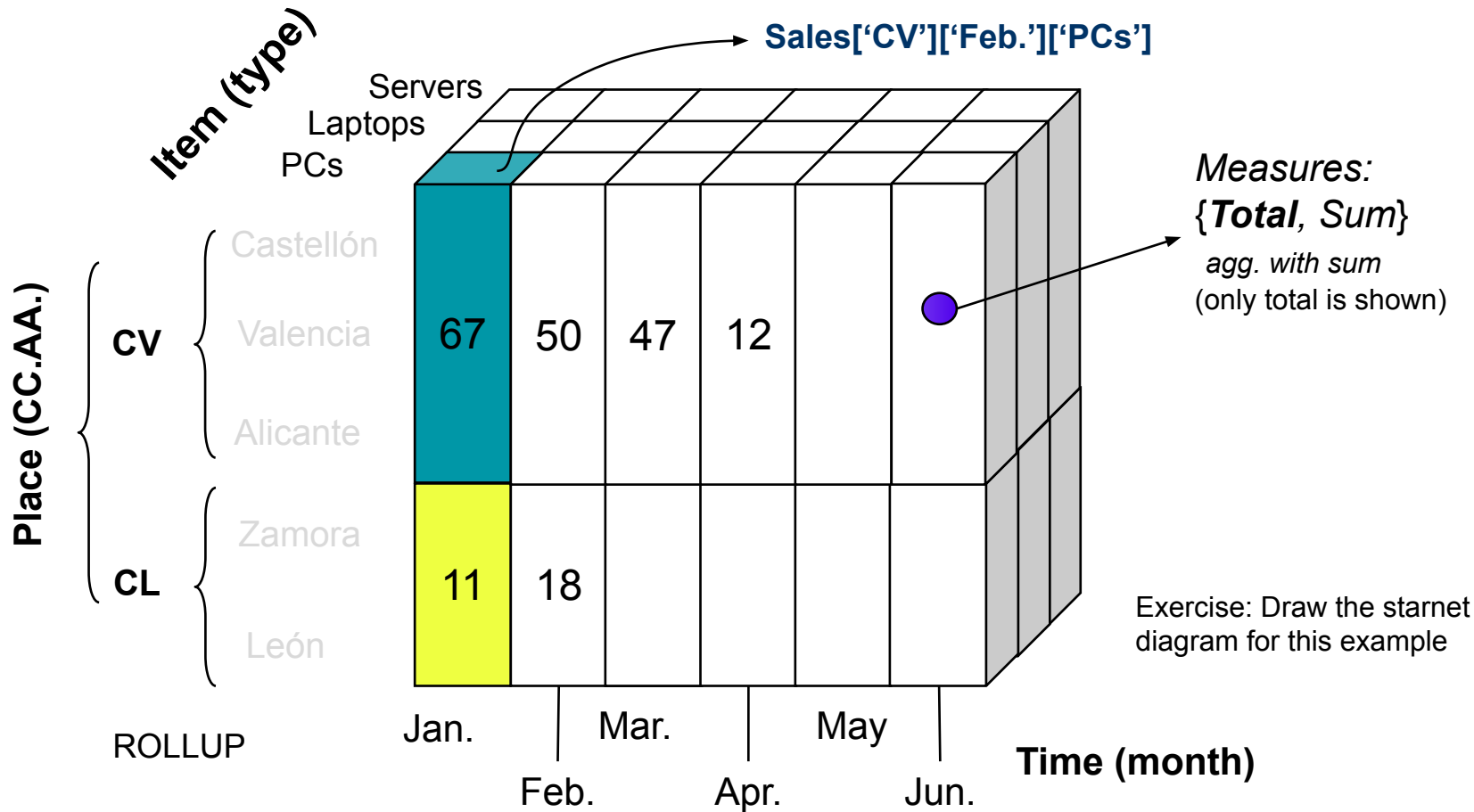
Time (month)

Measures:

{Total, Sum}

(only Total is shown)





OnLine Analytical Processing (OLAP)

OLAP defines the following basic operations on cubes:

- **ROLL UP**(Cube, Dim.) → Reduce details
- **DRILL DOWN**(Cube, Dim.)
- **ROLL ACROSS**(Cube, Dim.)
- **DRILL ACROSS**(Cube, Dim.)
- **SLICE**(Cube, Dim., Level)
- **DICE**(Cube, D1, L1, D2, L2, ...)
- **PIVOT**(Cube, Rows, Columns)

All operators return a new cube with some change: reduce details, augment details, change axis, etc.

These operations are applied interactively by using data visualization tools.

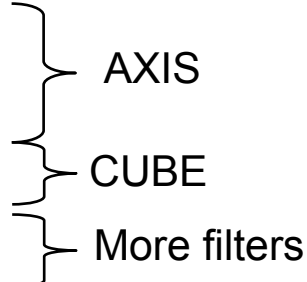
TABLEAU & POWER BI

It allows you to explore and define indicators, as well as to detect anomalies and interesting points for decision making.

Test: <https://graphic-walker.kanaries.net/>

MDX: the OLAP query language

```
SELECT
{ [Measures].[total_sales]}  ON COLUMNS
{ [Time].[Q1], [Time].[Q2]}  ON ROWS
FROM Sales
WHERE ([Item].[PCs])
```



AXIS

CUBE

More filters

Dimension values and measures are called **MEMBERS**
(e.g., `[Time][Q1][Jan]` is a member of the `Time` dim. at month level)

Members are ordered and they can be accessed with special functions like `FIRST`, `LAST`, `CHILD`, etc.

All measures are members of `[Measures]`.

Pandas and Cubes

```
SELECT {[Store Type].[Store Type].MEMBERS} ON COLUMNS,  
       {[Store].[Store State].MEMBERS} ON ROWS  
FROM [Sales]  
WHERE (Measures.[Store Sales], [Time].[Year].[1997])
```

```
# Filter data before pivoting (WHERE)
```

```
# Add new columns (calculated members)
```

```
pandas.pivot_table(data,  
    values= [store_sales],  
    index= [store_state],  
    columns= [store_type],  
    aggfunc='sum',  
    fill_value=None,  
    margins=False,  
    dropna=True,  
    margins_name='All',  
    observed=False,  
    sort=True)
```

```
# Perform calculated measures (profit, perc.)
```

```
# Filter data on aggregated data
```

```
# Concat cubes if necessary
```

1997		
	Small store	Large Store
CA	12340	167
WA	15340	203
OR		

ACTIVITIES

Learn MDX language from examples (chatGPT)

Prompt 1. Explain the following MDX query for a non-expert user:

```
SELECT  
{ [Measures].[total_sales]} ON COLUMNS  
{ [Time].[T1], [Time].[T2]} ON ROWS  
FROM Sales  
WHERE ([Item].[PCs])
```

Prompt 2. Can you draw an example of the result of the previous MDX query?

Generate MDX queries from a schema and an analysis specification (chatGPT)

Prompt. Given the following multidimensional cube

```
Sales(Time.Quarter.{Q1,Q2,Q3,Q4},  
Location.Country.State.{CA,NY,AR}, total_sales)
```

build an MDX query for **showing the quarter incremental changes (in percentage) of the total sales per state**

Implement MDX queries with Pandas over dataframes

(see notebook)