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Data Warehouse Modeling: Data Cube and OLAP

CS5483 Data Warehousing and Data Mining

Motivation

- ▶ Suppose you want to know the sales information of a supermarket chain.

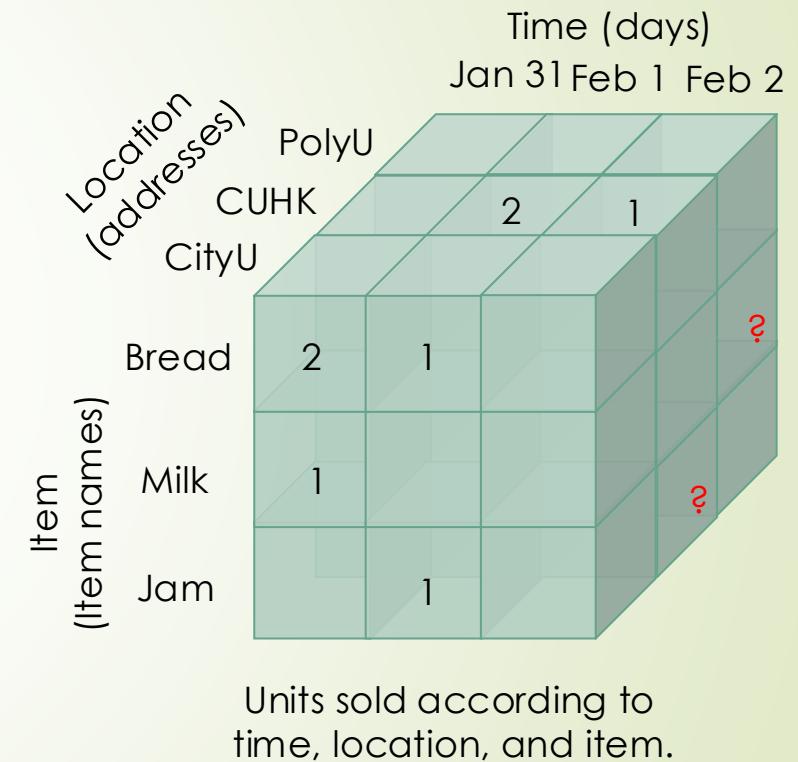
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- ▶ From the above transactional data, which store has the best sales performance?
 - ▶ A maximum of _____ units sold in _____.
 - ▶ A maximum of _____ dollars sold in _____.
- ▶ How to design a data warehouse for efficient analysis?

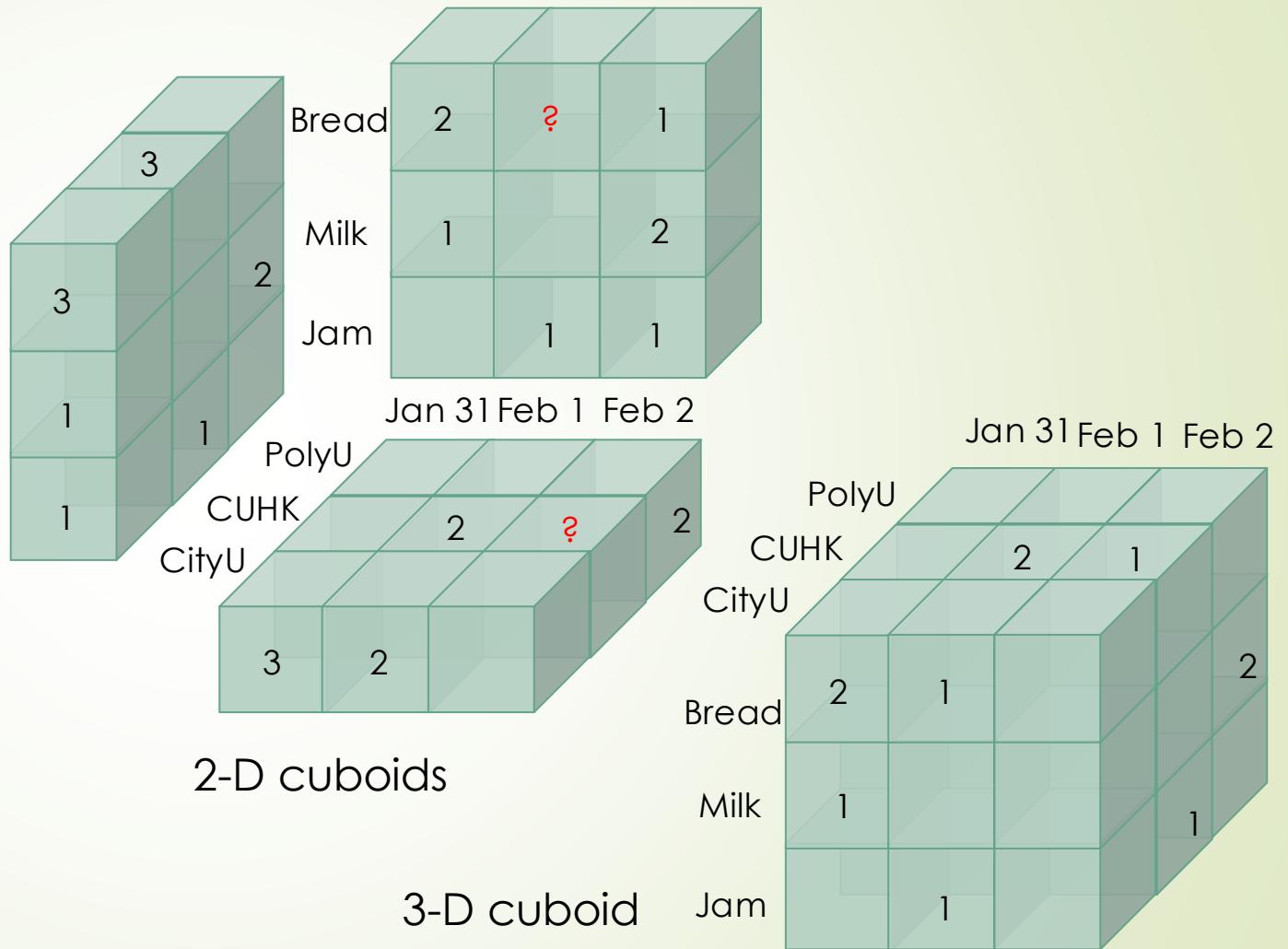
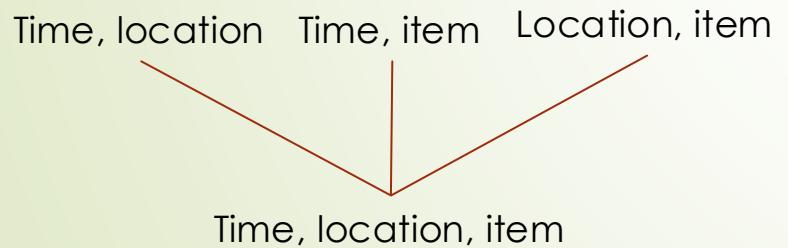
Dimension modeling

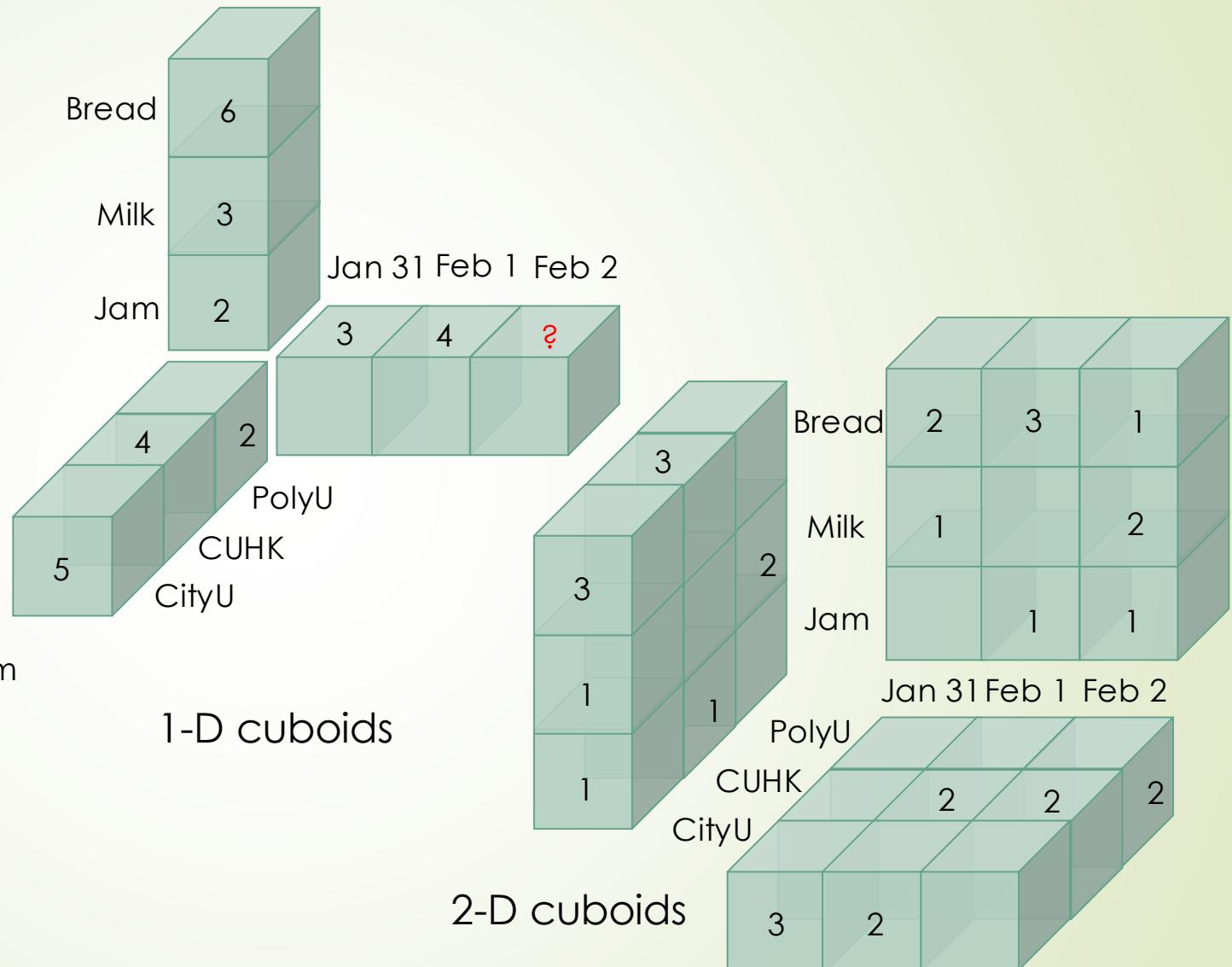
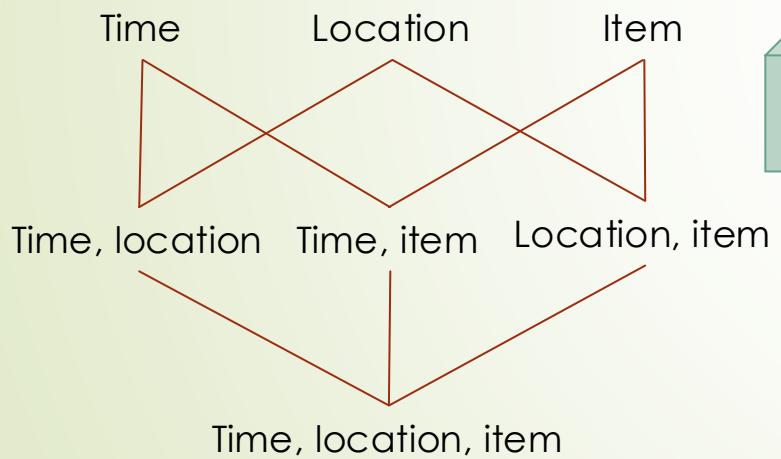
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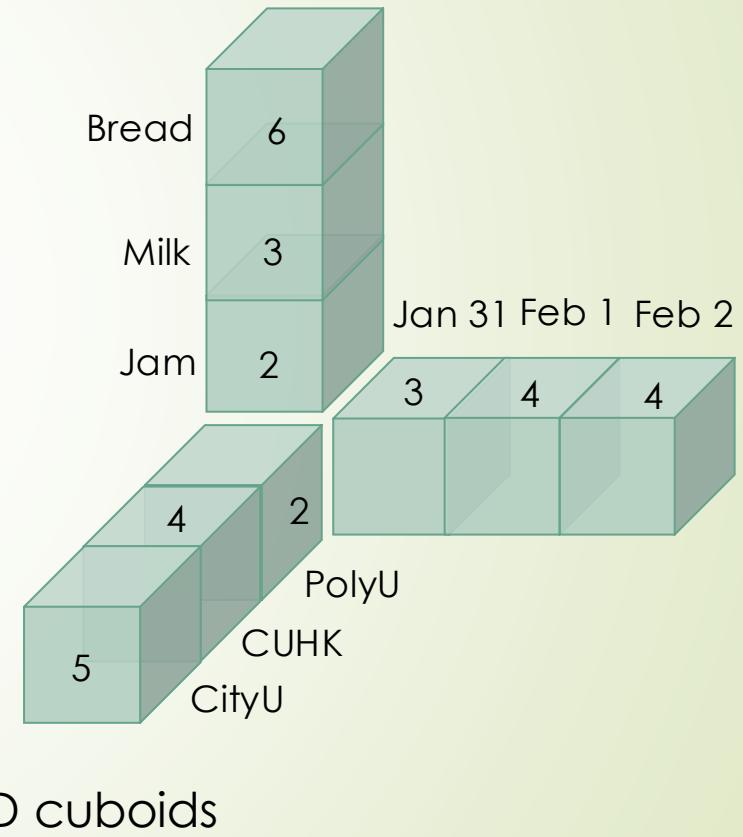
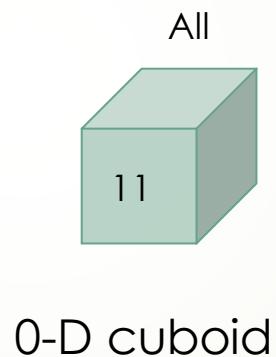
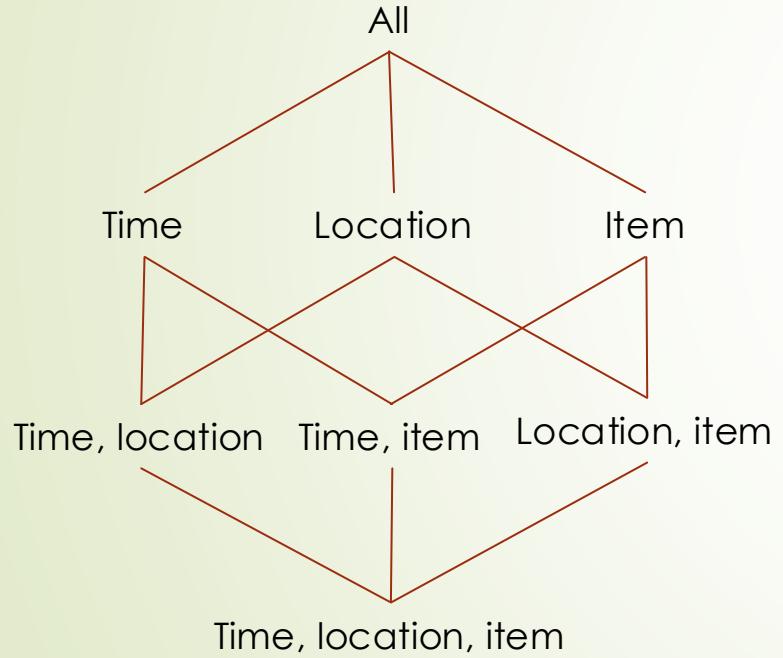
- ▶ **C**_____ : Multi-dimensional array of **c**_____
 - ▶ containing the **f**_____ (units sold, dollars sold)
 - ▶ indexed using the **d**_____ (time, location, item).
- ▶ How to summarize?



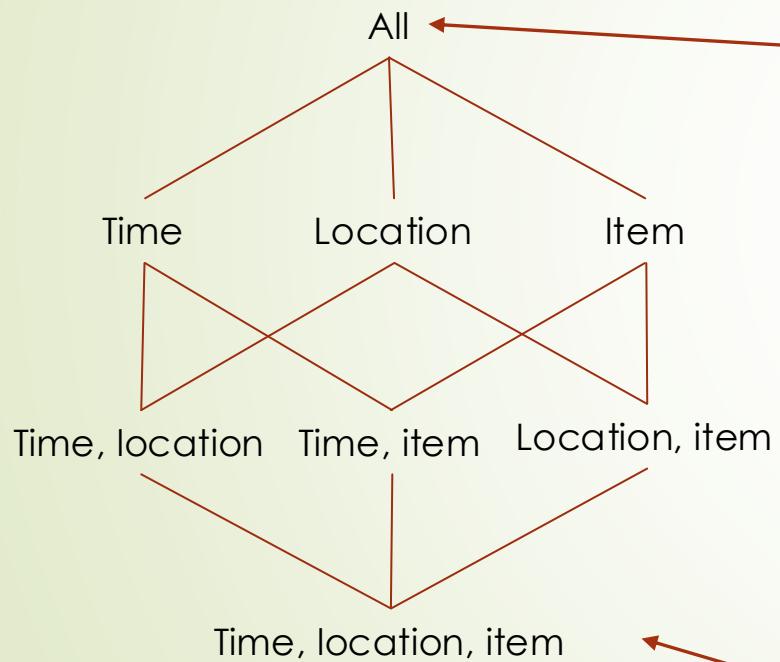
Dimension reduction



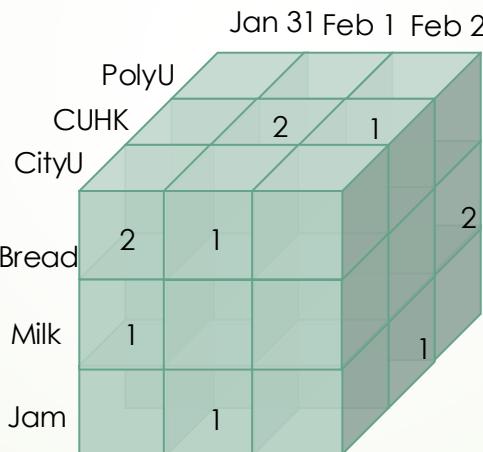




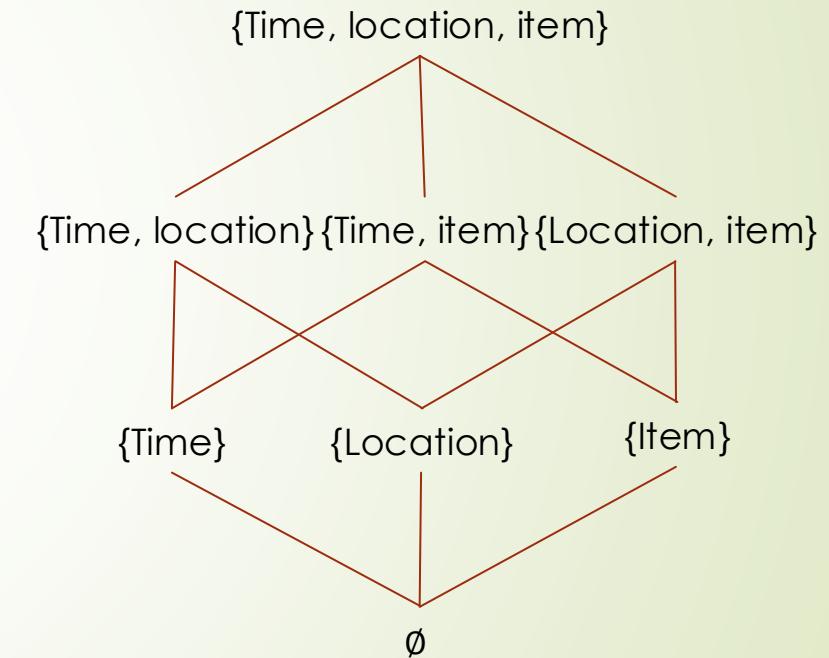
Lattice structure



A cuboid:
Highest level of summarization

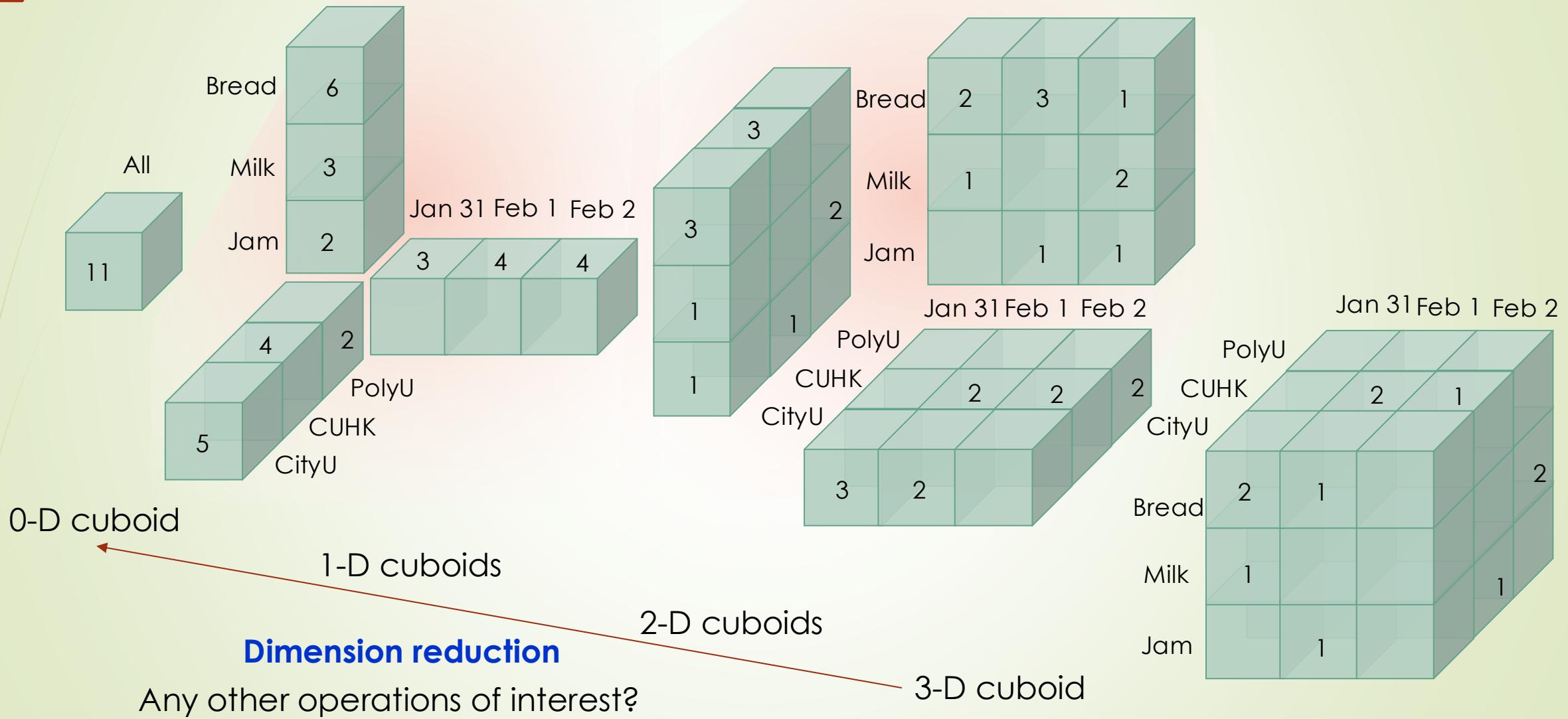


B cuboid:
Lowest level of summarization



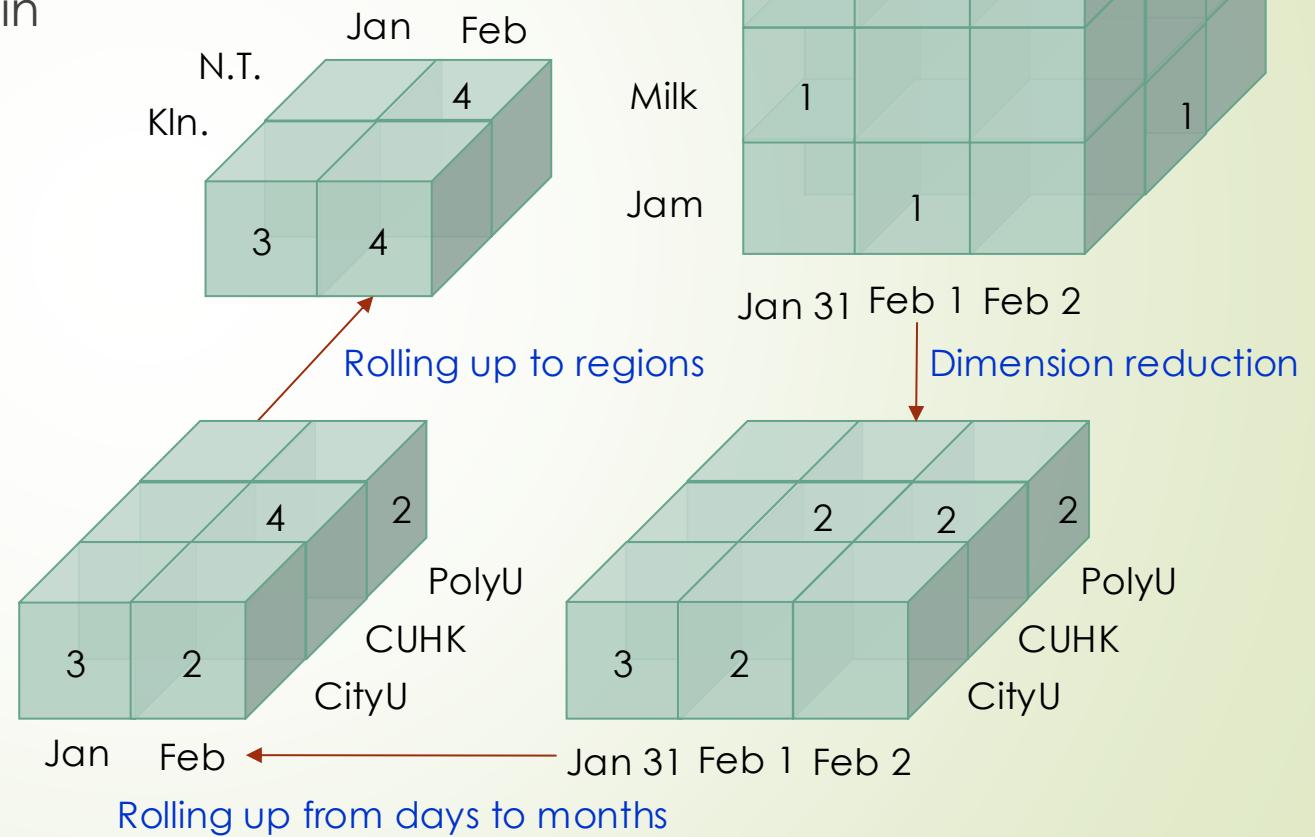
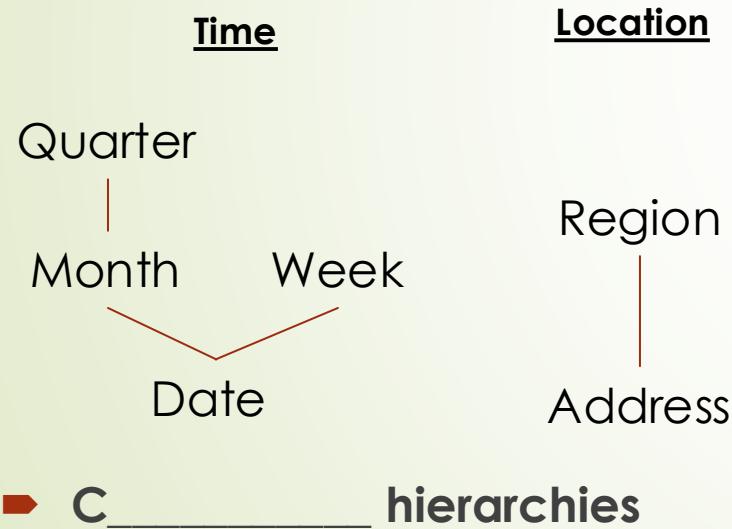
Hasse diagram for
the Boolean lattice

Data Cube: The lattice of all cuboids



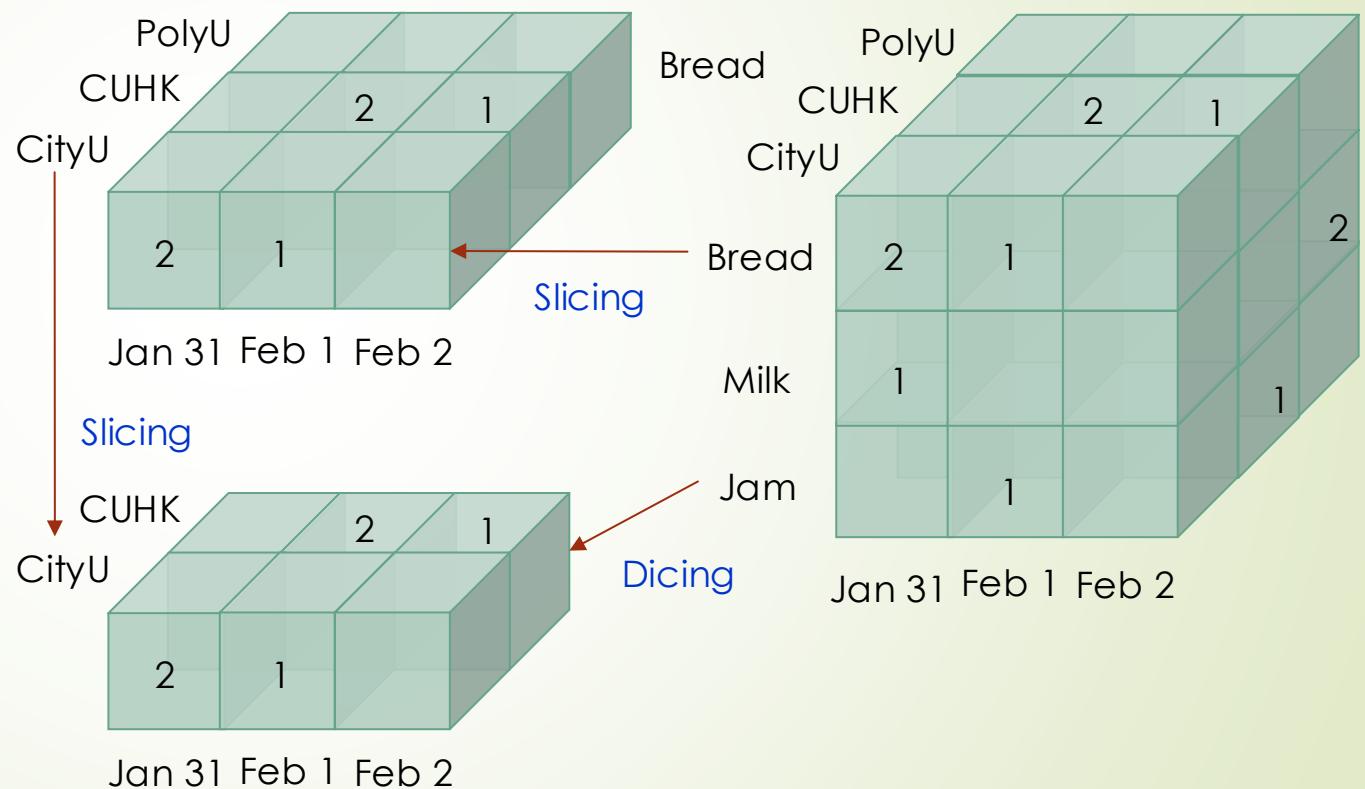
Roll-up operations

- ▶ How many units of items was sold in different months and regions?



Selection operations

- ▶ How many units of bread was sold in CityU or CUHK on different days?
- ▶ **Slice:**
 - ▶ Selection on 1 dimension.
- ▶ **Dice:**
 - ▶ Selection on multiple dimensions and/or with multiple values.



OLAP operations

- ▶ O_____ a_____ processing
 - ▶ Roll-up
 - ▶ Dimension reduction
 - ▶ Climbing up a concept hierarchy
 - ▶ Reverse operation: **Drill-down**
 - ▶ Slice and Dice
 - ▶ Selection on one or more dimensions
 - ▶ Others (optional): **Pivot/rotate, drill-across, drill-through**
- ▶ In contrast with o_____ t_____ processing (**OLTP**): insert, update, delete.

The curse of dimensionality

- ▶ With d dimensions, how many cuboids can be obtained by dimension reduction?

- ▶ If dimension i has L_i levels of concepts, how many cuboids can be obtained by the roll-up operation? _____
- ▶ How to store and compute the data cube?
 - ▶ F_____ **materialization**: Compute and store all the cuboids.
 - ▶ N_____ **materialization**: Store only the base cuboid and compute other cuboids on the fly.
 - ▶ P_____ **materialization**: Compute and store some parts of the data cube.
- ▶ How to store the base cuboid for efficient computation of other cuboids?

References

- ▶ 4.2 Data Warehouse Modeling: Data Cube and OLAP
- ▶ Optional
 - ▶ [Hands-on tutorial of ETL using Pentaho](#)