# **Mastering Power BI Fundamentals:**

#### Overview of Power BI

- O What is Power BI?
- Components of Power BI (Power BI Desktop, Power BI Service, Power BI Mobile)
- o Power BI Licensing Overview

## Getting Started with Power BI Desktop

- Installing Power BI Desktop
- Overview of the Power BI Interface
- Basic Workflow in Power BI

## **Module 2: Connecting to Data Sources**

#### Introduction to Data Sources

- Importing Data from Excel
- o Connecting to SQL Server, CSV, and Web Data
- Overview of other popular data sources (SharePoint, Azure, etc.)

## Data Loading and Transformation

- o Introduction to Power Query Editor
- Basic Data Transformation (Remove columns, Filter rows, Rename columns)
- Merging and Appending Queries
- o Handling Missing Data

#### Module 3: Data Modeling

#### Understanding Data Models

- O What is a Data Model?
- Relationships between Tables
- Creating and Managing Relationships
- Star Schema vs. Snowflake Schema

#### Creating Calculated Columns and Measures

- Introduction to DAX (Data Analysis Expressions)
- Basic DAX Functions (SUM, COUNT, AVERAGE)
- o Creating Calculated Columns
- Creating Measures

#### **Module 4: Building Visualizations**

#### Introduction to Visualizations

- Types of Visualizations (Bar, Line, Pie, Table, etc.)
- Creating and Customizing Visuals
- Understanding Visual Interactions

## Advanced Visualization Techniques

- Using Slicers and Filters
- o Conditional Formatting
- Drill-through and Tooltips

#### Custom Visuals

- Introduction to Custom Visuals
- Importing and Using Custom Visuals

## **Module 5: Creating Reports**

## Report Layout and Design

- o Best Practices for Report Design
- Creating Multi-Page Reports
- Using Themes and Templates

#### Using Bookmarks and Buttons

- Introduction to Bookmarks
- Creating Interactive Reports with Buttons and Bookmarks

# Publishing and Sharing Reports

- Publishing Reports to Power BI Service
- Creating Dashboards in Power BI Service
- Sharing Reports and Dashboards with Others

#### Module 6: Power BI Service

#### Overview of Power BI Service

- Navigating the Power BI Service Interface
- Managing Datasets and Data Refresh
- Workspaces and Collaboration

#### Power BI Q&A

- Introduction to Power BI Q&A
- Using Natural Language Queries

#### Data Security and Governance

- Understanding Row-Level Security (RLS)
- o Setting Up RLS in Power BI
- Best Practices for Data Governance

## **Module 7: Introduction to Advanced Topics (Optional)**

- Introduction to Power BI Embedded
  - Overview and Use Cases
  - o Basic Setup and Configuration
- Introduction to Power BI Paginated Reports
  - O What are Paginated Reports?
  - When to Use Paginated Reports
- Introduction to Power BI Premium
  - o Premium Features Overview
  - Understanding Capacity and Licensing

## Module 8: Hands-On Projects and Q&A

- Sample Dashboard exercise
- Final Assessment (Optional)

## **Additional Resources**

- Power BI Community and Resources
  - o Overview of Power BI Community Forums, Blogs, and Documentation
- Learning Paths and Certifications
  - Overview of Microsoft Certifications related to Power BI
  - Suggested Learning Paths for Continued Learning

# **Advanced Power BI Concepts:**

#### Module 1: Advanced Data Modeling

- Deep Dive into DAX (Data Analysis Expressions)
  - o Advanced DAX Functions (e.g., CALCULATE, FILTER, ALL, ALLEXCEPT)
  - Time Intelligence Functions (e.g., DATEADD, DATESBETWEEN, SAMEPERIODLASTYEAR)
  - Using Variables in DAX
  - o Performance Optimization in DAX
- Complex Relationships and Modeling Techniques
  - Many-to-Many Relationships
  - o Bidirectional Filtering
  - o Role-Playing Dimensions
  - Handling Slowly Changing Dimensions (SCD)

## • Composite Models

- Understanding and Creating Composite Models
- Using DirectQuery and Import Modes Together
- o Implementing Aggregations for Performance

#### Module 2: Advanced Data Transformation with Power Query

# Advanced Power Query Techniques

- o Advanced M Functions and Custom Columns
- Parameterization and Dynamic Data Loading
- Using Functions and Invoking Custom Functions
- Advanced Data Shaping (Pivot, Unpivot, Group By)

## Optimizing Data Load Performance

- Query Folding Concepts and Diagnostics
- Managing Large Data Volumes
- o Using Dataflows and Linked Entities for Efficient Data Preparation

#### Handling Complex Data Sources

- Working with APIs, Web Services, and JSON/XML Data
- Advanced SQL Queries in Power Query
- Merging and Appending Complex Data Sources

#### Module 3: Advanced Visualizations

#### Custom Visualizations

- Creating and Using Custom Visuals from AppSource
- Developing Custom Visuals with Power BI Developer Tools (Optional)
- Advanced Formatting and Conditional Formatting Techniques

#### Advanced Analytics with Visuals

- Using Analytics Pane Features (e.g., Forecast, Clustering, Trend Lines)
- Creating Custom Tooltips and Report Page Tooltips
- Drillthrough, Bookmarking, and Navigation Techniques

## Advanced Reporting Techniques

- o Building Interactive Reports with Bookmarks and Selection Pane
- Designing for Performance: Optimizing Visuals and Reports
- Using Themes, Custom Colors, and Branding in Reports

#### Module 4: Advanced Power BI Service Features

#### Data Security and Row-Level Security (RLS)

- Implementing Dynamic Row-Level Security
- Managing and Testing RLS in Power BI Service
- Combining RLS with Organizational Hierarchies

#### Power BI Service Administration

- Managing Workspaces, Apps, and Permissions
- Monitoring and Managing Data Refreshes
- Auditing and Usage Metrics in Power BI

#### • Power BI Premium Features

- Understanding Premium Capacities and Features
- Using XMLA Endpoints and Large Models
- Optimizing and Scaling Reports with Power BI Premium

#### **Module 5: Advanced Data Connectivity**

Using Power BI with Big Data and Data Lakes

- Connecting to Azure Data Lake, Azure Synapse, and BigQuery
- o Implementing and Optimizing DirectQuery with Big Data Sources
- Using Aggregations in Big Data Scenarios

# Integration with Azure and Other Microsoft Services

- Using Azure Data Factory with Power BI
- o Integration with Azure ML and Cognitive Services for Advanced Analytics
- Power BI with Azure Analysis Services and SQL Managed Instances

## Module 6: Power BI Embedded and Developer APIs

#### • Introduction to Power BI Embedded

- Embedding Power BI Reports in Custom Applications
- o Understanding Power BI REST API and Embedding Scenarios

#### Power BI Automation with PowerShell and REST API

- Automating Deployment and Management of Power BI Assets
- Using PowerShell Scripts with Power BI REST API
- o Embedding and Automating Reports using Power Automate

## Module 7: Advanced Analytics and AI in Power BI

#### Using AI Capabilities in Power BI

- o Leveraging AI Visuals: Key Influencers, Decomposition Tree, Q&A Visual
- o Integrating Python and R for Advanced Analytics in Power BI
- Using Cognitive Services for Text Analytics and Sentiment Analysis

#### Advanced Statistical Analysis

- o Implementing Advanced Statistical Models using R or Python
- Scenario Analysis and What-If Parameters
- Using Anomaly Detection and Predictive Analytics

#### Module 8: Real-Time Dashboards and Streaming Data

# • Creating Real-Time Dashboards

- Working with Streaming Data Sources in Power BI
- Using Power BI with Azure Stream Analytics and IoT Hub
- Implementing Push Datasets and Live Data Feeds

#### Handling Real-Time Data in Power BI Service

- Designing Dashboards for Real-Time Monitoring
- o Performance Considerations with Real-Time Data

# **Module 9: Case Studies and Capstone Project**

## Case Studies

- o Analysis of Complex Business Scenarios
- o End-to-End Solutions Design using Power BI

# • Capstone Project

- o Implementing a Full Power BI Solution from Data Modeling to Visualization
- o Applying Advanced Techniques Learned in the Course
- o Presentation and Peer Review