

# Business Intelligence

A smooth introduction ...

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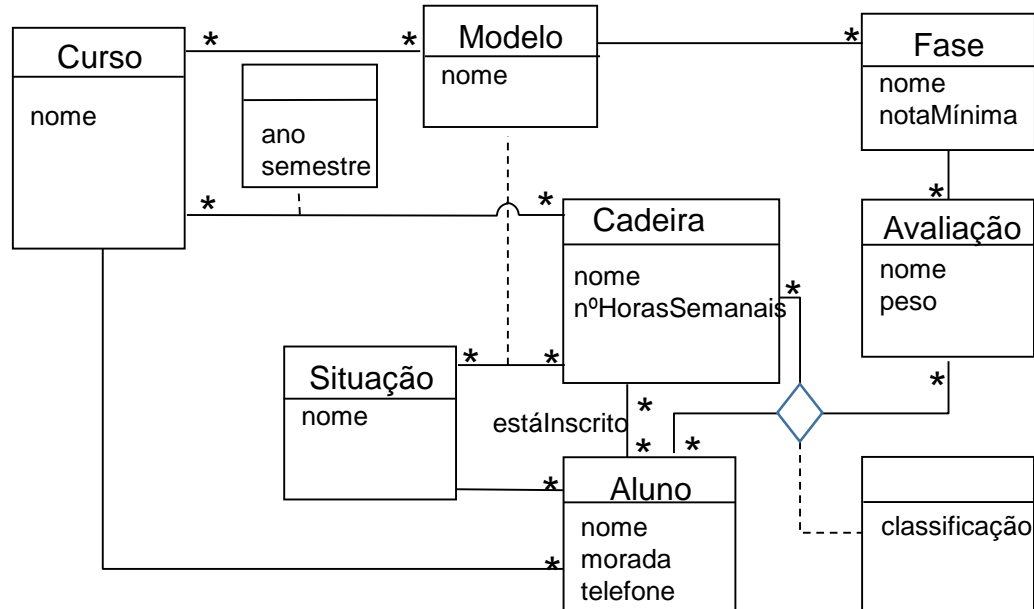


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# Context

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Since the 70/80 decade, the dominant model of databases has been the "normalized" relational model. An example of its representation:



# Context

**This way of designing databases is characterized by:-**

- Do not store redundant information
- The design of the database is made according to the structure of the data
- Be optimized for INSERT, delete, and update records operations
- The space occupied by the data is minimized

# Context

- Thus, to extract information from databases, we use the SQL language – Structured Query language

## Examples

Students with a mean greater than or equal to 14

```
SELECT * FROM Aluno WHERE media >=14;
```

Students enrolled in Business Intelligence

```
SELECT Aluno.nome  
FROM Aluno, Cadeira, AlunoCadeira  
WHERE Aluno.idAluno=AlunoCadeira.idAluno  
AND Cadeira.idCadeira=AlunoCadeira.idCadeira  
AND Cadeira.nome='Business Intelligence';
```

# Context

- With so-designed databases, extract information from them only for specialists!!

The managers



Demanded  
information

The specialist



SQL

Data

Data

DB

# Context

- With this mode of organization the data analysis process has too many stakeholders, it becomes lengthy and, above all, **misaligned with the management practices**
- During the decade of 90 the data storage devices (notably the hard disks of computers) were getting:
  - Cheaper and cheaper
  - With increasing capacity
- Having redundant information has become cheaper



# Context

- And it was at that time, mid-90, that data Warehousing/Business Intelligence systems emerged
- Its main characteristic is:
  - The data is saved in order to facilitate consultations without needing intermediaries. Consequently:
    - Redundant information is stored
    - The database design is based on the queries you want to make to the database
    - It's optimized for database query operations
    - The space occupied by the data is much higher than in a normalized relational database (it is estimated that 10 to 20 times greater)

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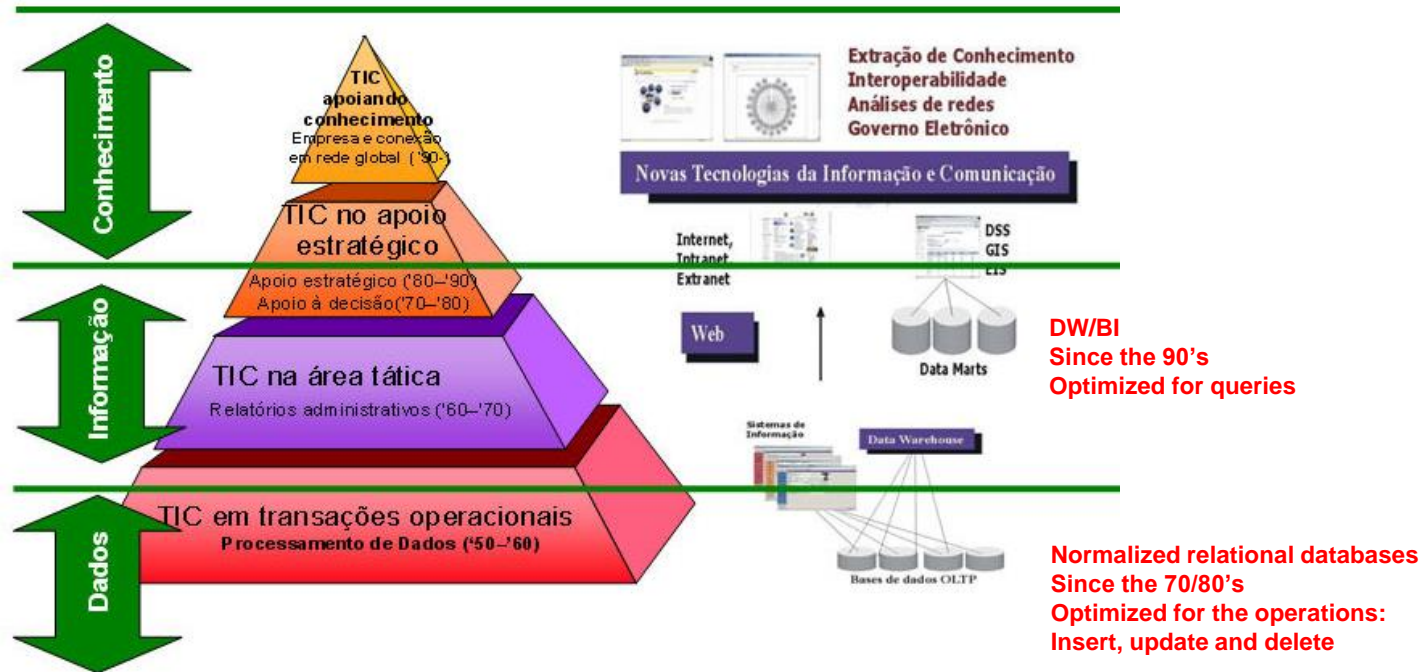


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# Context

In the perspective of organisations:

- The normalized relational databases exist and will continue to exist: they store the "base" data. The way data is saved depends on the characteristics of this data. Once created they endure in time... and endure... and endure...
- Business Intelligence systems depend on management processes. They depend on the information you want to get... much more subject to change...

3 typical cases

# 1<sup>st</sup> case: Hipermarket

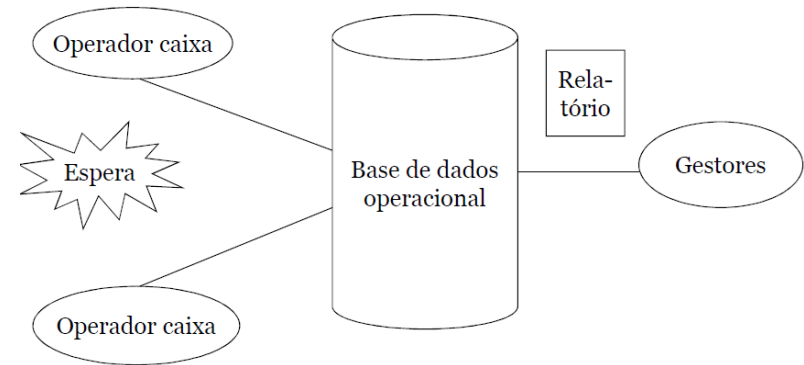


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# 1<sup>st</sup> case: Hipermarket

## Problem

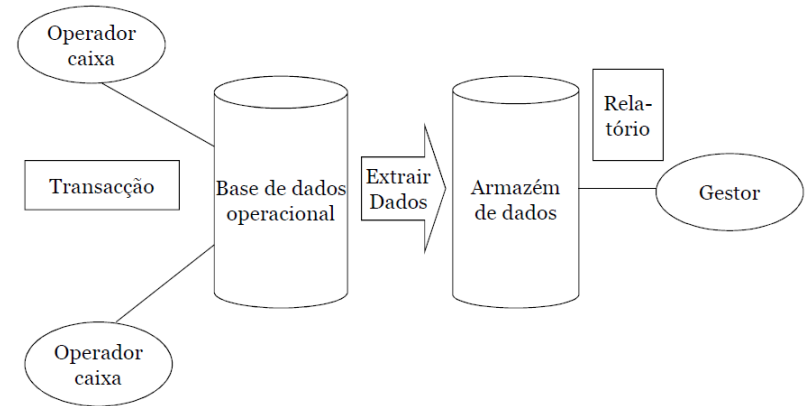
- Huge operational database
- Many boxes running at hours of greater movement
- Query queries about the database at these times create response delays in the operation of the boxes



# 1<sup>st</sup> case: Hipermarket

## •Solution

- Extract the data needed for analysis of the operational database
- Store them in a data warehouse
- Refresh the Data warehouse at regular time intervals in order to always have data updated for analysis
- The Data warehouse will contain data in a historical perspective



## 2<sup>nd</sup> case: University



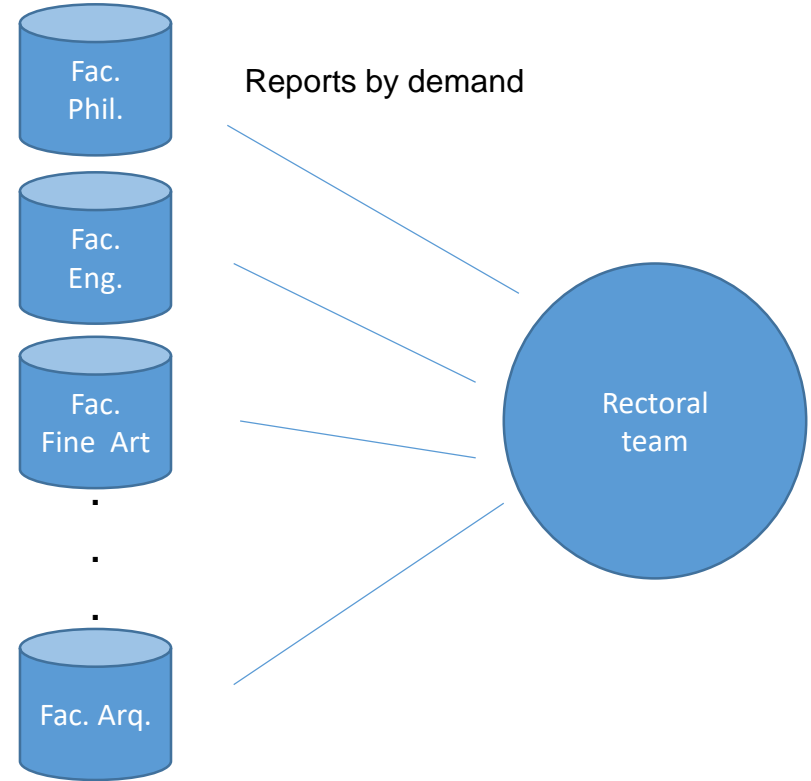
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## 2<sup>nd</sup> case: University

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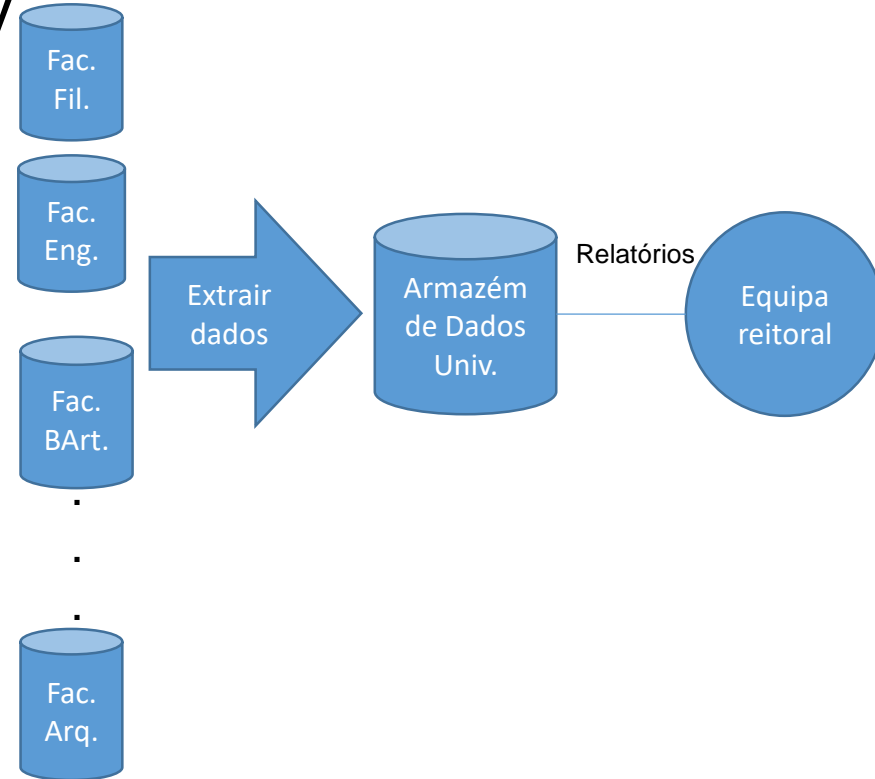
- Every college has its operating system
- Each college has its own management mode but...
- You must report your management actions to the Rectoral team who complains of...
- Not having adequate information to be able to compare management in different faculties



## 2<sup>nd</sup> case: University

### •Solution

- Extract the relevant information for the Rectoral team from each of the colleges
- Storing the information in a single repository



# 3<sup>rd</sup> case: Cakes & Cookies

- **Problem**

- Cakes & Cookies is a small new company
- The president of the company wants her to grow
- To do this, you need information so you can make the best decisions

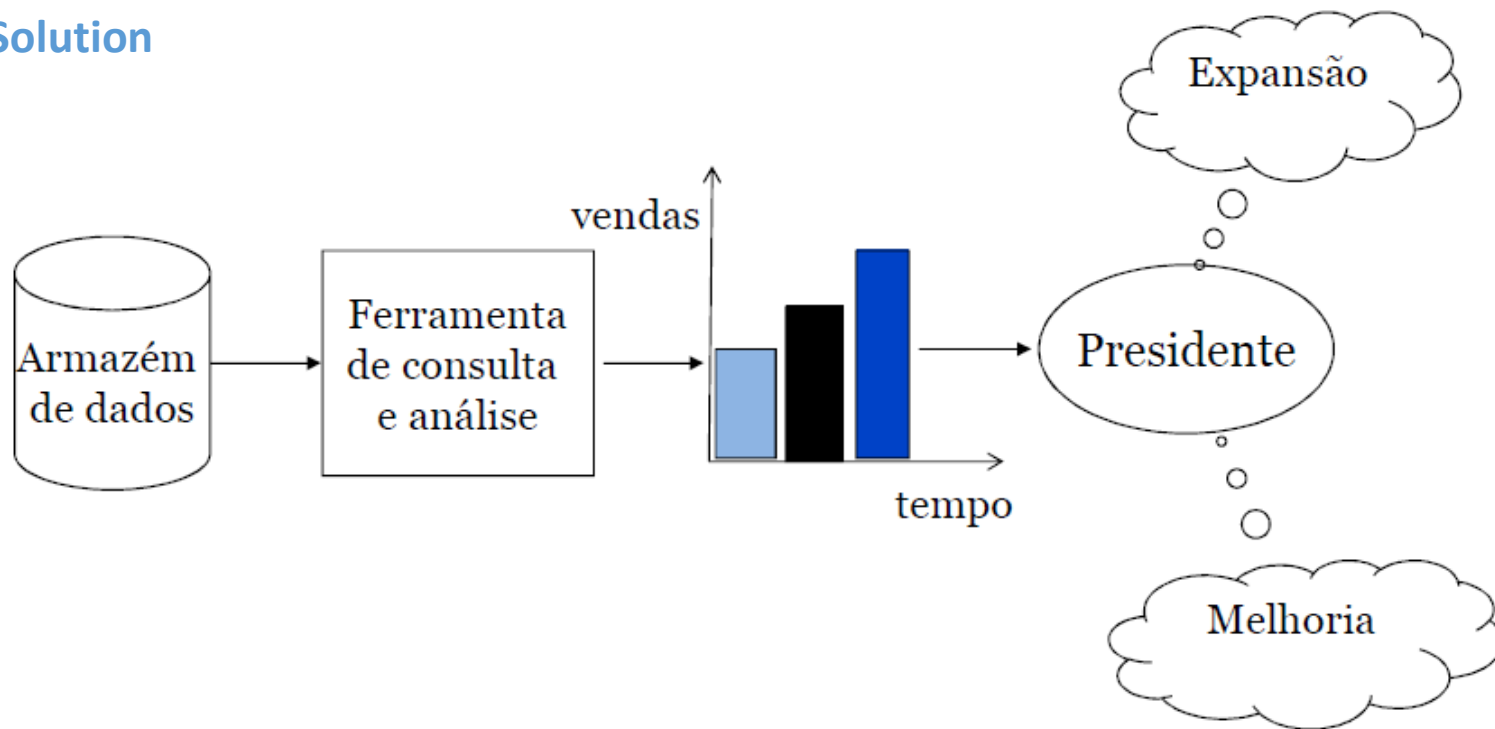
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## •Solution

- Improve data quality by cleaning and processing before uploading to data Warehouse
- Using tools to query data that allows ad-hoc consultations to be performed

# 3<sup>rd</sup> case: Cakes & Cookies

- Solution



# Concepts

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## •*Data Warehouse*

•**Definition:** Collection of data to support the decision-making process by managers.

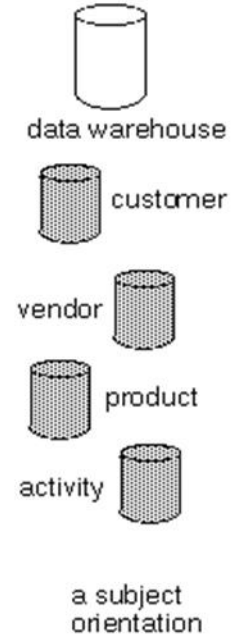
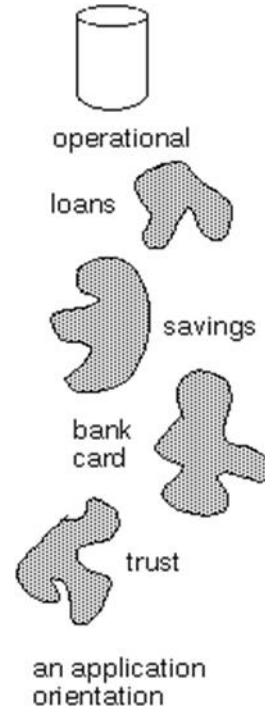
Characteristics of a Data warehouse:

- Oriented to the subjects
- Integrated
- It makes the temporal record of the information
- Non volatile

# Concepts

## •Data Warehouse

- The Data Warehouse is organized by subjects such as sales, products, customers, etc.
- It is oriented to the modelling and analysis of data for decision-making
- Excludes data that is not useful in the decision-making process

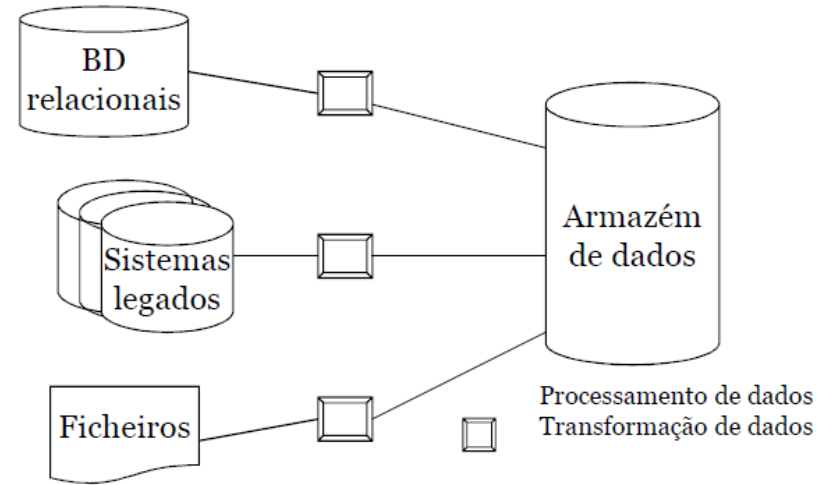




# Concepts

## •Data Warehouse

- A data warehouse is built by integrating data from more than one source, and these are typically heterogeneous sources.
- Data processing is carried out to ensure consistency of the same data.

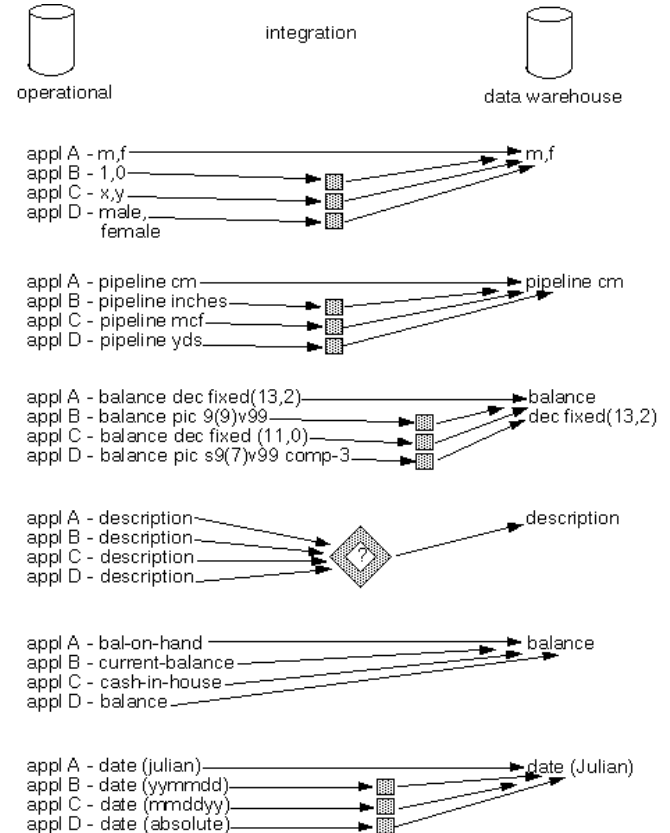


# Concepts

## •Data Warehouse

•The data **integration** can be done in terms of:

- Coded structures
- Attribute measures
- Physical attribute of data
- Naming convention
- Data type format



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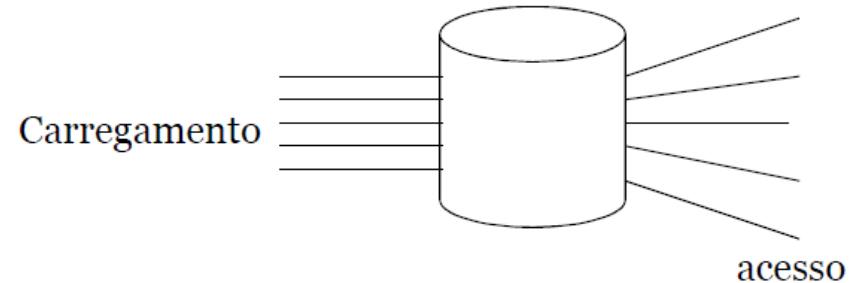
- *Data Warehouse*

- It makes the **temporal record of information**, i.e. it has information with historical perspective, e.g., last 5-10 years
- All key structures implicitly or explicitly contain a time element

# Concepts

## •Data Warehouse

- Data once entered into the Data warehouse cannot be updated
- The Data Warehouse allows you to perform two types of operations on the data:
  - Initial data load
  - Data access



# Concepts

- Comum terms

OLTP: OnLine Transactional Processing

Operational

Aggregated

SQL

Data Warehouse

By subjects

OLAP: OnLine Analytical Processing

DB normalized relational

Redundant data

Space minimization

Temporal analysis

Slow queries

# Concepts

	Operational	Informative
Characteristics	Operational Processing	Informative processing
Orientation	Transaction	Analysis
User	Clerk, DB admin, DB professionals	Knowledge workers
Function	Daily operations	Decision support
Data	Actual	Historical
View	Detailed, table format	Aggregated, multidimensional
DB design	Oriented towards applications	By subjects
Working unit	Short, simple transaction	Complex queries
Access	Read/write	Mostly reading
Focus	Entrance data	Intended information
Nr of accessed records	Dozens	Milions
Nr of users	Thousands	Hundreds
DB size	From 100MB to GB	From 100 GB to TB
Priority	High performance, high availability	High flexibility, End-users autonomy

# Business Intelligence

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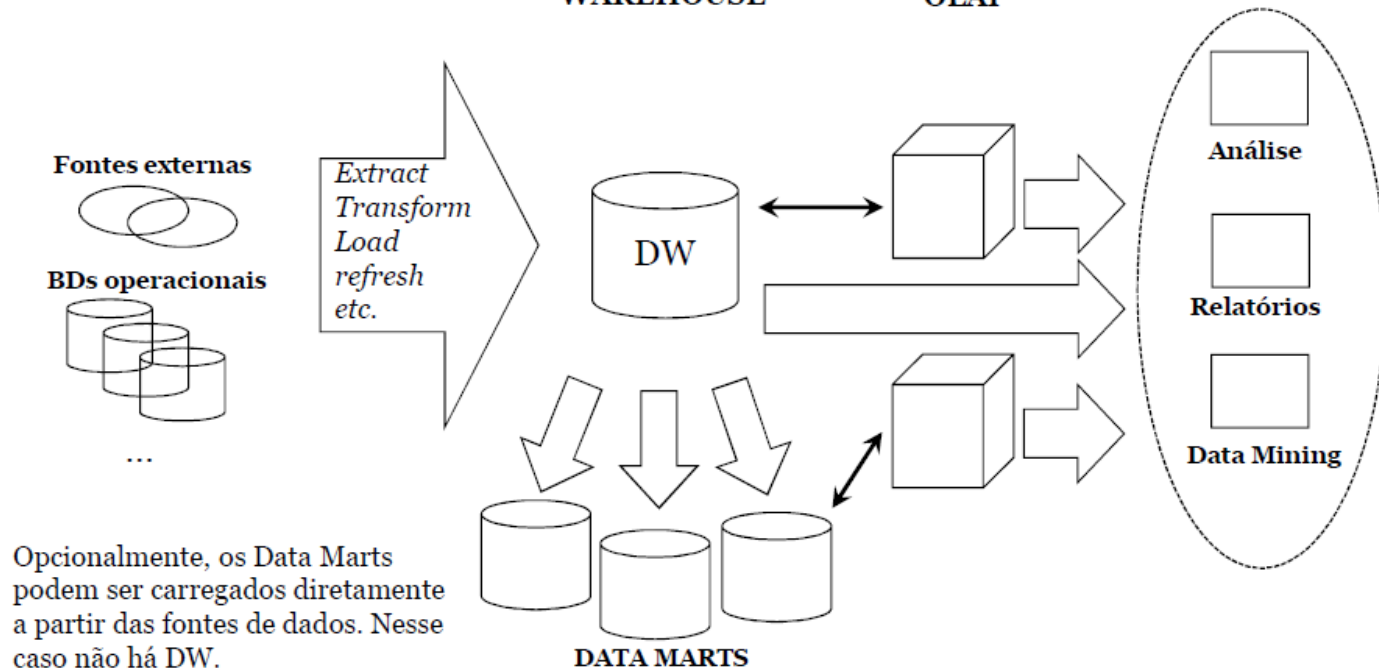
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2. ETL

3. DATA  
WAREHOUSE

4. SERVIDORES  
OLAP

5. FERRAMENTAS  
FRONT-END





# Business intelligence

1. Data sources
  - Operational databases, Internet, files,...
2. Etl
  - Data extraction, transformation and loading
3. Data Warehouse server: Data Warehouse (DW)
  - Almost always a relational DBMS, rarely table type files
4. OLAP servers
  - To manage and operate dimensional data structures
5. Front-end tools
  - Tools for miscellaneous purposes (reporting, analysis, Data Mining,...) to be used by the end user

# Business Intelligence

- 1. Data sources

- The databases that the company/institution has
  - Typically, relational databases, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP),...
- Internet data
  - Weather, stock quotes,...
- Files
  - Excel file data,...
  - But it is strongly inadvisable to be difficult to ensure that the structure of the data source does not change...

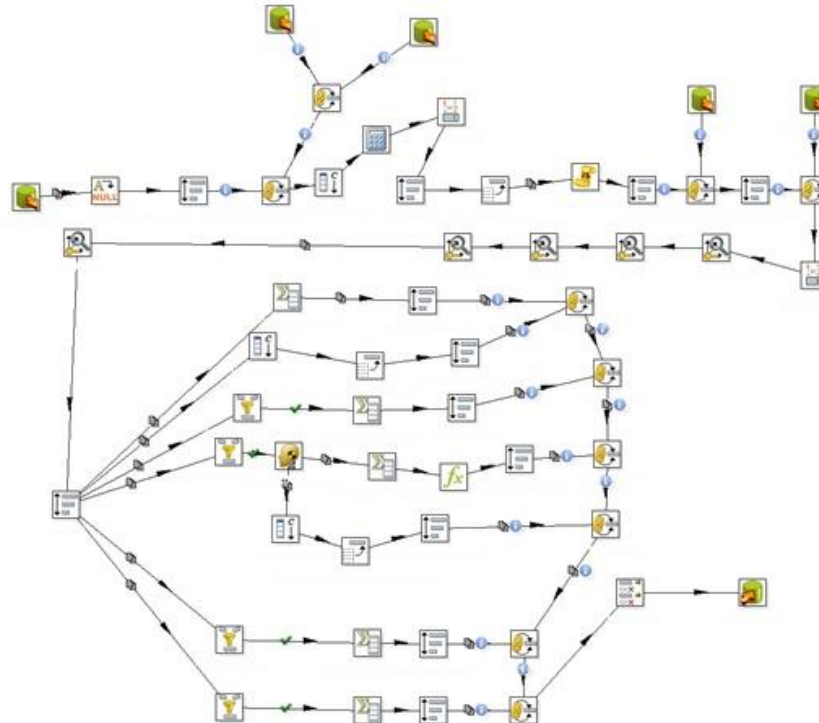
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- 2. ETL

- It uses its own tools to accomplish this task
  - E.g.: kettle, Oracle Data Integrator, SQL Server Integration Services, etc.
- This task is the one that consumes the most time in a development project of a Data Warehousing system
  - 70% to 80% of the total development time
- The process, once created, runs the number of times necessary in order to ensure the previously defined historical perspective annual, mensal, daily, ...

# Business Intelligence

- 2. ETL
- Example:



# Business Intelligence

- 2. ETL

- It understands the following tasks:

- Data selection
- Data pre-processing
  - Filling missing values
  - removing inconsistencies
- Transformation & Data Integration
- Data loading

- Data from a data warehouse is typically stored in the form of fact tables and dimension tables

# Business intelligence

- 3. DW

- Change of paradigm:
  - In the traditional relational model, it seeks to avoid repetitions of information
  - To do this, relational databases are typically normalized to the 3rd normal form
  - Result: information (almost) without repetitions, occupying little disk space, resulting in complex and slow database readings
  - In DW we can use the relational model but the database is poorly normalized: there is repetition of the information, achieving with this database readings simpler and faster

# Business Intelligence

- 3. DW

- **Data Warehouse:** Global repository for the entire company/institution
- **Data Mart:** Repository for a department or function of the company/institution
- The development of a Data Warehouse is typically very time-consuming
- It is common to choose to develop Data marts, that is, to do the development in a phased manner by department/function

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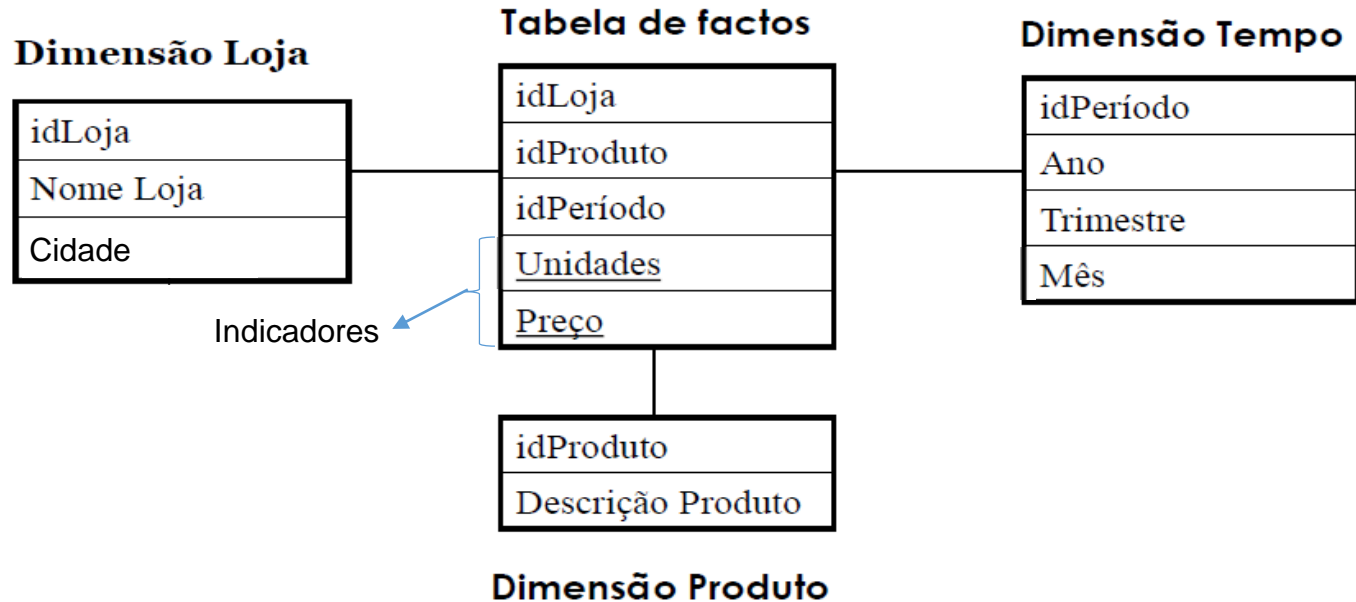
- 3. DW

- Physical Schema:
  - Star scheme
  - Snowflake Scheme
  - Fact Constellation Scheme



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- 3. DW – Star schema



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- **4. OLAP server**

- OLAP: OnLine Analytical Processing
- An OLAP is a high-capacity, multi-user data manipulation device designed specifically to support and operate on multi-dimensional data structures

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- 5. front-end tools

- Querying tools
- Reporting tool
- Spreadsheets
- WEB interfaces / dashboards
- Data Mining

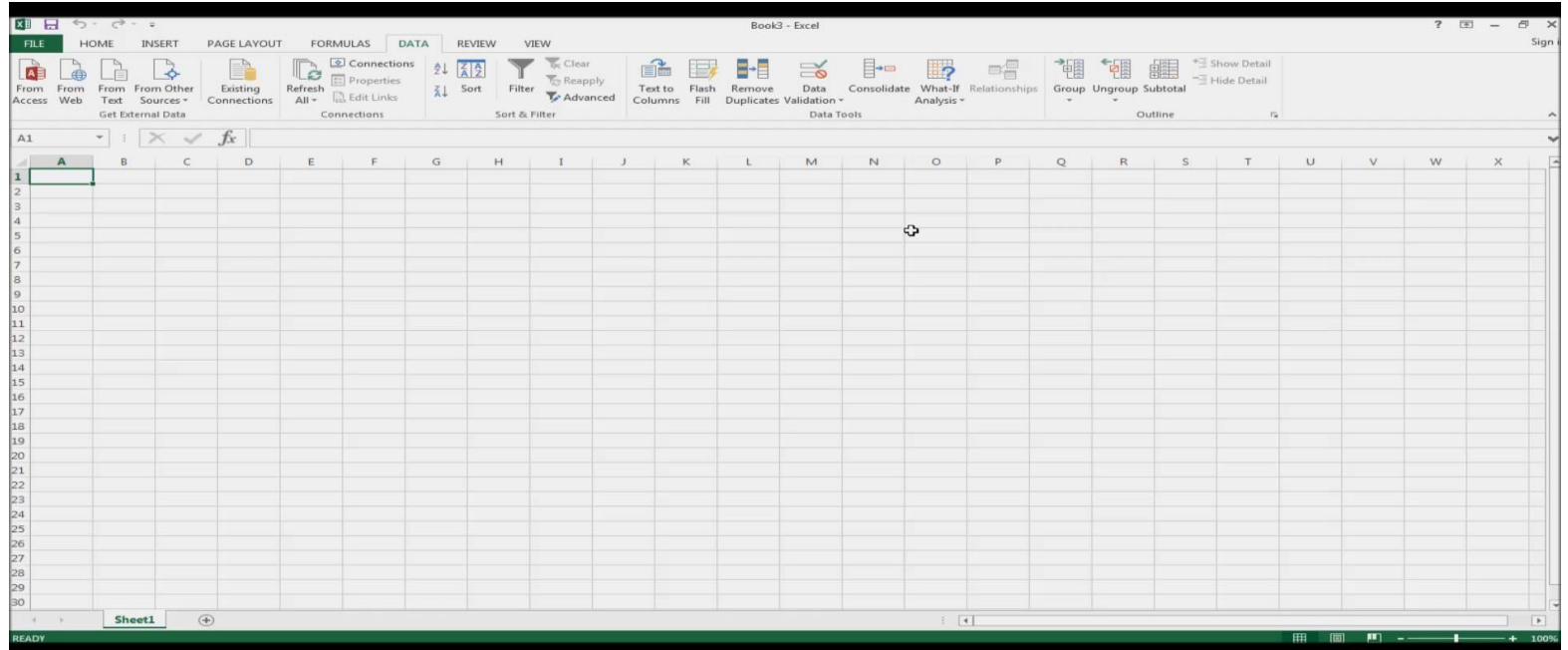
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- 5. Front-end tools: Web interfaces / dashboards

The screenshot displays the BI4UP SharePoint web interface. The browser address bar shows <https://bi4up.campus.up.pt/>. The SharePoint header includes a navigation bar with links to various departments (UP, FAUP, FADEUP, FBAUP, FCUP, FEP, FFUP, FLUP, FMUP, FMDUP, ICBAS, SAS, dash\_public, FDUP, FPCEUP, FCNAUP, FEUP) and a 'Sign In' button. The main content area features a left-hand navigation pane with a list of departments. The central content area is titled 'BI4UP' and includes a sub-header 'Empower the people in your organization to gain insights with ease using familiar tools. [Learn More](#)'. Below this, there are three main sections: 'Explore and Analyze Data' (describing PowerPivot), 'Design Interactive Reports' (describing Excel and Power View), and 'Share Dashboards' (describing Excel Services). Each section is accompanied by a small thumbnail image. A small window titled 'HyperCam Recording' is visible in the bottom right corner of the screenshot.

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- 5. Front-end tools: spreadsheets



# Classes Plan

# Classes plan

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	WORK							DOCUMENTS							
TP01	Introduction							1-Business Intelligence-ENG							
TP02	MultiDim and dimensions							3-MultidimensionalModel & Conceptual DW design							
TP03	KPI & OLAP operations							2-PerformanceMeasures, BI-project1 & BI-project2							
TP04	Kimball Data Marts: mySQL							Development methodology Kimball & BI-project2							
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TP06	ETL: Kettle							BI-project3							
TP07	ETL: project														
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TP10	Dashboards							BI-project4							
TP11	Project														
TP12	Test & work presentations														
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