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Database Design and Development

Topic 11:
Data Warehouses

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Scope and Coverage

This topic will cover:

- The need for business intelligence and the concept of the data warehouse
- The difference between Online Transaction Processing (OLTP) systems and data warehousing
- The architecture and main components of a data warehouse

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Learning Outcomes

By the end of this topic students will be able to:

- Understand the potential need for a data warehouse
- Differentiate between on-line transaction processing systems and data-warehouse system
- Identify the main components of a data warehouse


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Why need a Data Warehouse? - 1

- Two types of database processing
- OLTP - On-line transaction processing.
 - It is a class of program that facilitates and manages transaction-oriented applications.
 - It is used for supporting daily busyness.
- OLAP - On-line analytical processing
 - It is a way of viewing data in a multidimensional format.
 - It is used for supporting decision making.


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Why need a Data Warehouse? - 2

- The need for business intelligence
 - competitive environment
 - strategic planning
 - decision making
- Proliferation of different systems



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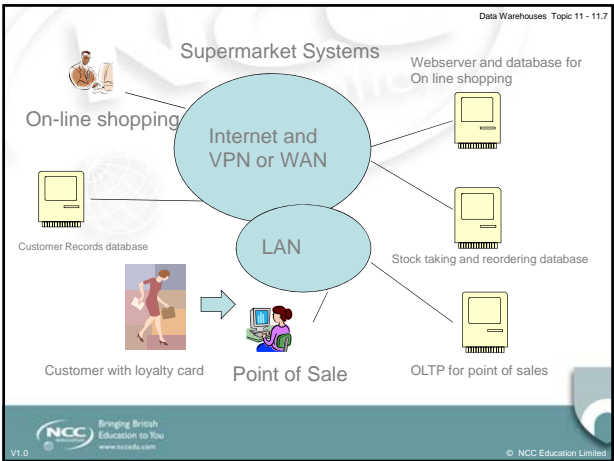
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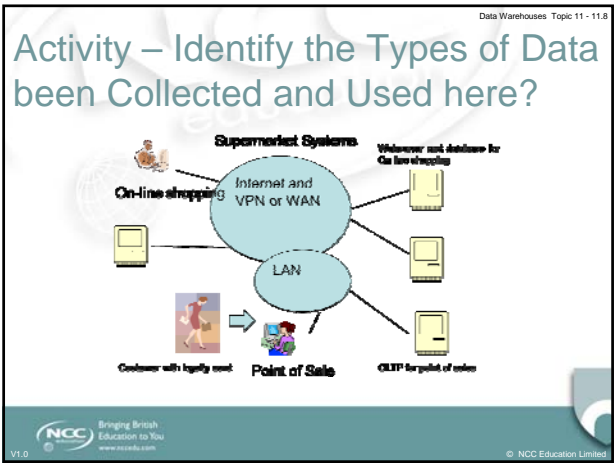
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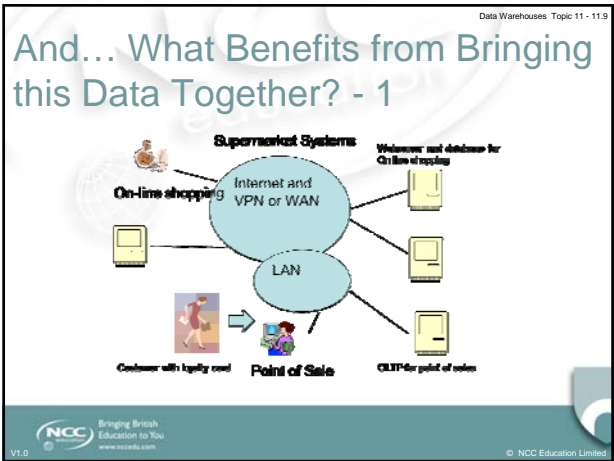
- Content
- Accessibility
- Form
- Performance
- Availability
- Data Warehouse is a solution*


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And... What Benefits from Bringing this Data Together?

Supermarket Systems

On-line shopping

Internet and VPN or WAN

LAN

Customer with loyalty card

Point of Sale

OLTP for point of sales

Webserver and database for On-line shopping

Sales Trends

Customer Buying habits

Regional variations

Variations by time

Goods generating profit

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Transform “Data” into “Information”

- Data Warehouse provides a multidimensional view of an organization’s operational (OLTP) data to help user make more informed, fast decisions.

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What is a Data Warehouse?

• Subject-oriented

• Integrated

• Time-variant

• Non-volatile

Combining data in support of management’s decisions

Data Warehouse

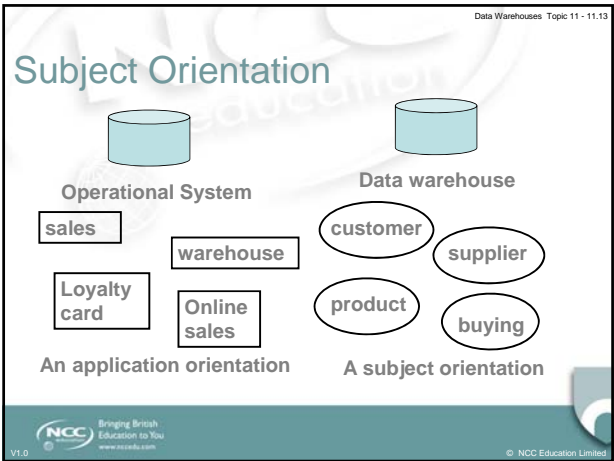
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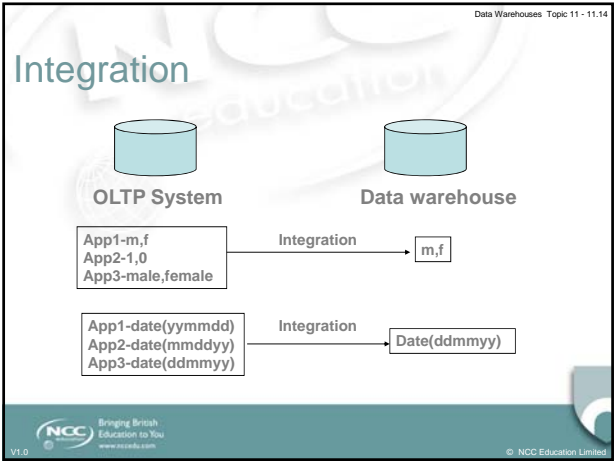
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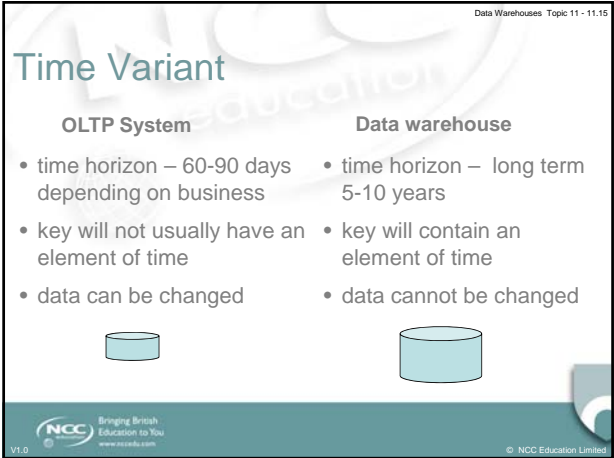
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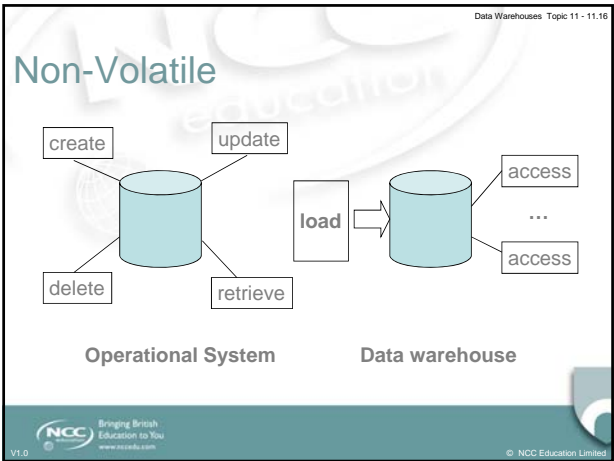
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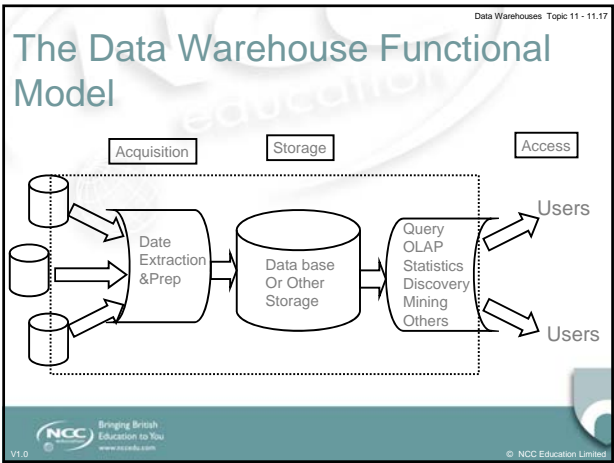
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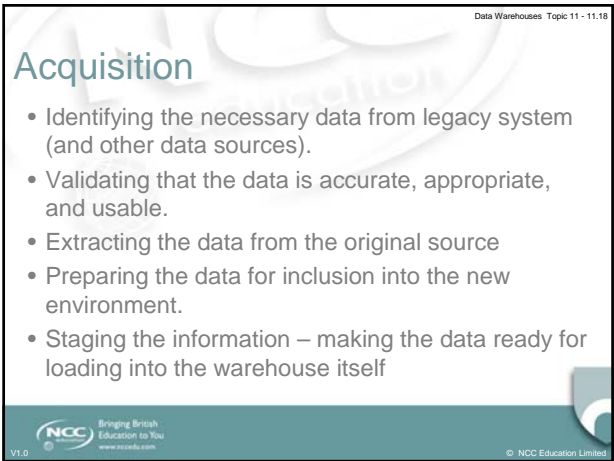












Storage

- Storage is the heart of a data warehouse
- An environment (the data warehouse) is constructed to provide a place from which the data from the source systems can be accessed

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Access Tools

- Query and Reporting Tools
- OLAP Tools
- Statistical Analysis Tools
- Data Discovery / Data mining Tools
- Graphical and Geographic Information Systems

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Seven Steps to Building a Data Warehouse

- Determine the needs of the end users
- Identify the necessary data sources
- Analyse the data sources in depth
- Use the information to work out how the data will need to be transformed
- Create the meta data which describes the transformation and integration that to occur
- Create the physical data warehouse and populate from various sources
- Create the end use applications

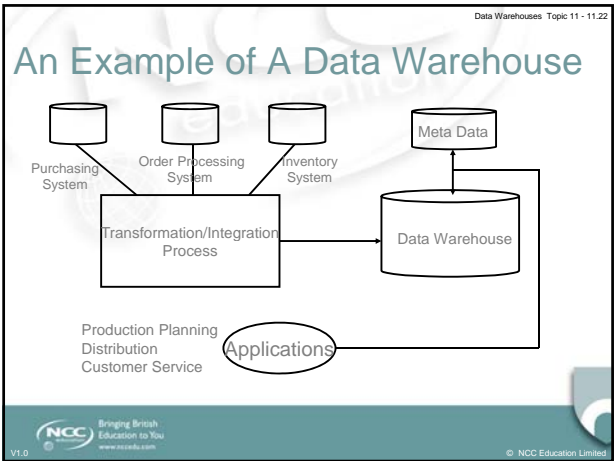
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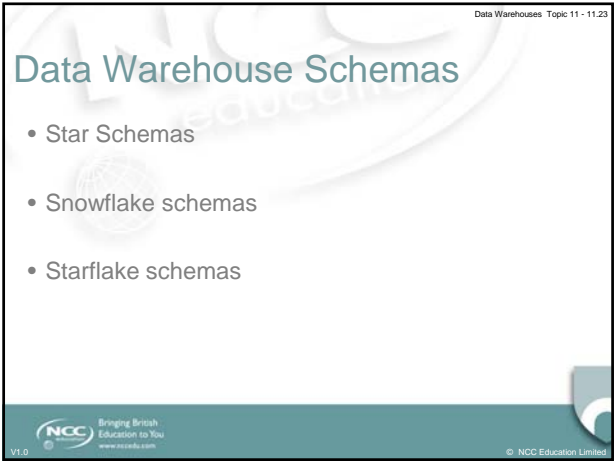
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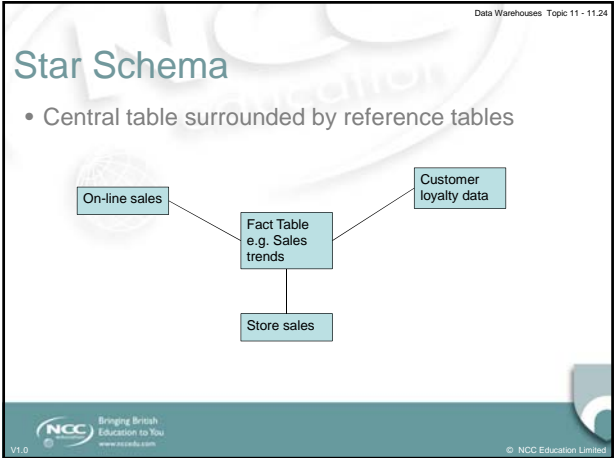
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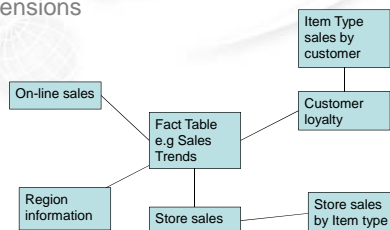
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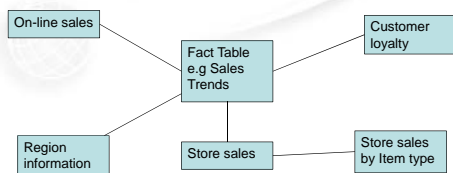




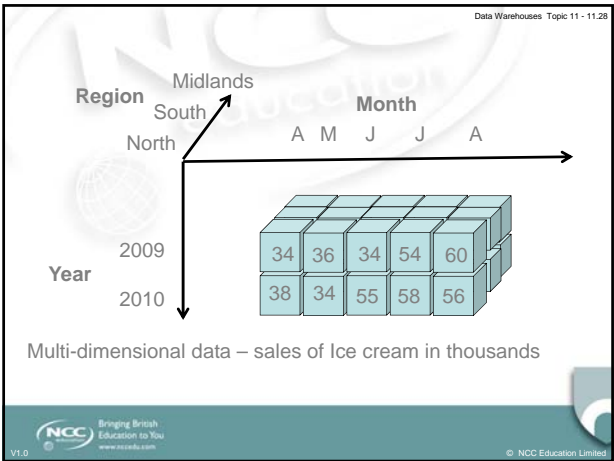
- Each dimension can have a number of its own dimensions



- Some de-normalisation



- Consolidation
- Drilling-down
- Pivoting
- Multi-dimensional data



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Codd's Rules for OLAP Tools - 1

- Multi-dimensional conceptual view
- Transparency
- Accessibility
- Consistent reporting performance
- Client-server architecture
- Generic dimensionality
- Dynamic sparse matrix handling

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Codd's Rules for OLAP Tools - 2

- Multi-user support
- Unrestricted cross-dimensional operations
- Intuitive data manipulation
- Flexible reporting
- Unlimited dimensions

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Did we meet them?

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