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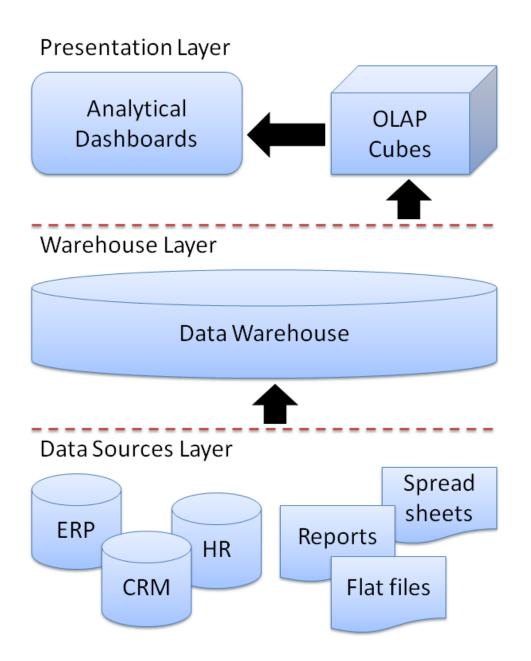
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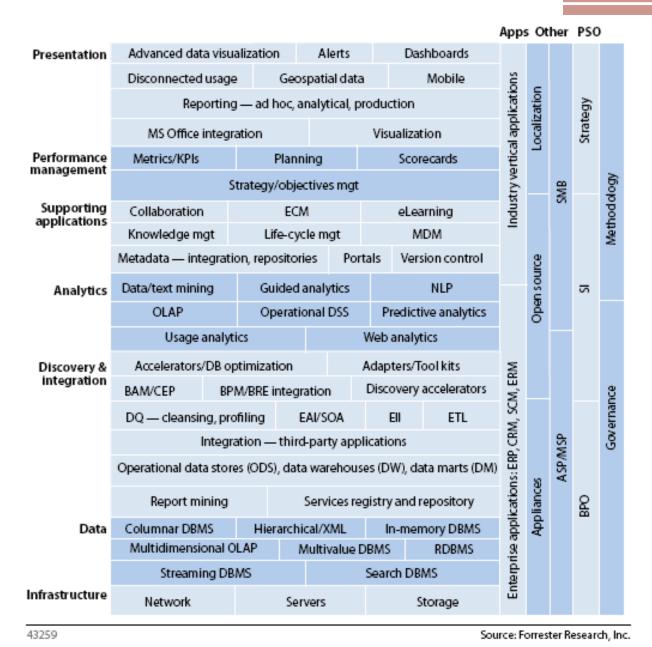


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What is Business Intelligence?

... is an umbrella term that includes the applications, infrastructure and tools, and best practices that enable access to and analysis of information to improve and optimize decisions and performance Gartner IT Glossary



Business Intelligence Stack by Forrester Research, Inc.

- Dashboards
- Metrics/KPIs
- Scorecards
- Knowledge Mgt.
- Repositories
- Version Control
- OLAP
- Predictive Analytics
- BAM
- CEP
- BPM
- ETL
- Data Warehouses
- RDBMS

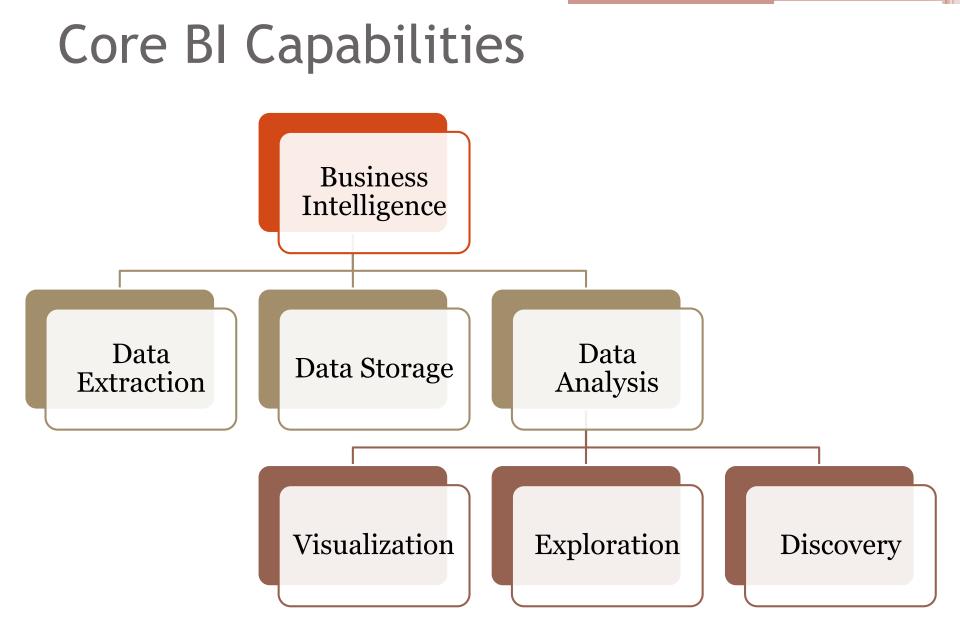
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Presentation Structure

- Business Intelligence Stack Overview & Areas of Expertise
- Presentation: Dashboards
- Performance Management:
 - Metrics/KPIs
 - Scorecards
- Supporting Applications:
 - Knowledge Management
 - Repositories
 - Version Control
- Analytics:
 - OLAP
 - Predictive Analytics
- Discovery & Integration:
 - BAM, ČEP, BPM, ETL
 - Data Warehouses
- Data: RDBMS

Methodology & High-level Apps

Data Storage & System Software



BI Systems Capabilities

Reporting

Dashboards

Ad-hoc Querying

It means taking raw data and turning it into information that can be used to make intelligent business decisions. Pages where you can insert reports, graphs, and charts in order to create a central location for critical business information.

It is essentially reporting in real time. It is a tool for exploring questions while you are looking through your data.

OLAP

Data Mining

Scorecards

Aims at efficient multidimensional processing of large data volumes (fast, interactive answers to large aggregate queries). Capability to dig through huge amounts of data, find the relevant stuff, and come up with predictions. Also known as Machine Learning.

Designed to measure progress toward a goal. Telling you how well you are meeting a specific target goal.

Business Intelligence Systems

Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Analytics and Business Intelligence Platforms

Source: Gartner (February 2018)

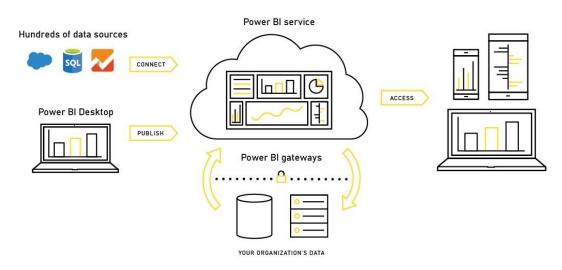


 Power BI **Microsoft** QlikView Tableau ⁺+ a b | e a u°

https://www.bmc.com/blogs/gartner-magic-quadrant-analytics-business-intelligence/

Microsoft Power BI

- Various data sources can be connected to the system: third-party applications, cloud services, streaming data, Excel workbooks
- Through the API, you can connect your own applications to the service
- Interactive dashboards are available on any device and display real-time data
- Users can share information in several ways
- The service works on all platforms: cloud, desktop and mobile

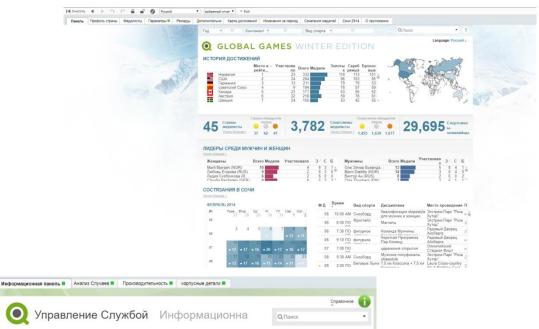




https://powerbi.microsoft.com/en-us/what-is-power-bi/

QlikView

- The uniform analytics algorithm works in all versions
- Products provide fast, interactive data visualization
- The service can be used together with other members of the team, you can share any applications created
- Finished visualizations can be used for samples and studies

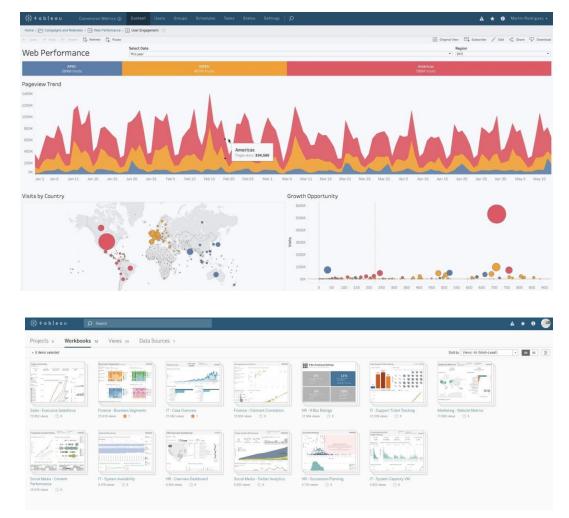




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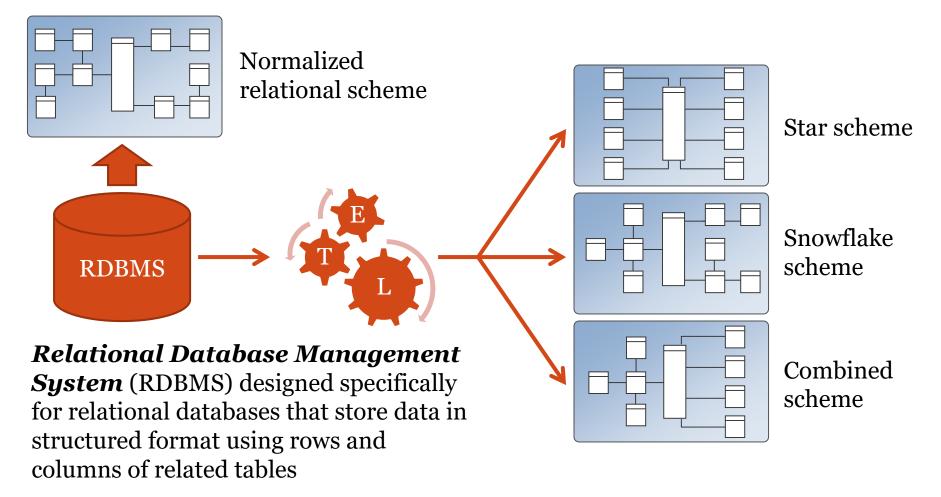
- Users can create tools for dashboards and analytics
- The system works with all devices where there are data streams – no need to worry about hardware requirements or software requirements
- Information panels have access to data warehouses
- Applications for creating dashboards can be created by business users themselves
- Several users can work on the report at once



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Data Warehouses and RDBMS

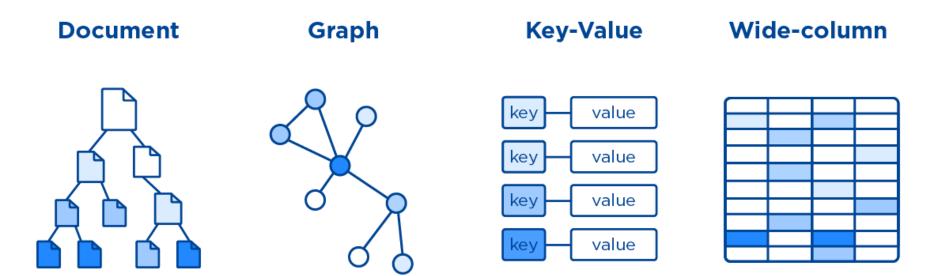
Data Warehouse (DW) is a central database created for the purpose of making data from all heterogeneous sources useful and accessible



Other Data Storage Models and DBMS

• "NoSQL" does not mean that these systems do not use SQL – almost all of them support limited subset of SQL statements

• "NoSQL" stands for "Not only SQL", since such systems replace some features of RDBMS like consistency and integrity with flexibility and scalability, which are vital for modern cloud applications

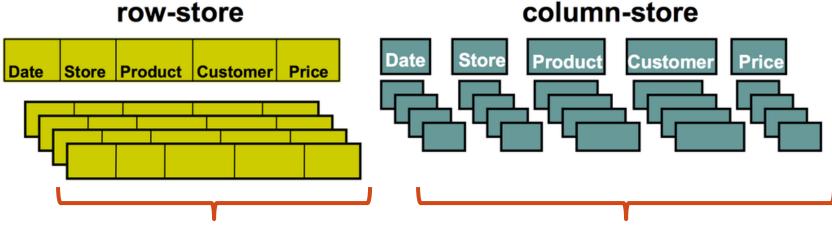


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Other Data Storage Models and DBMS

Columnar Databases

- Store content by columns rather than rows (unlike RDBMS)
- "Traditional" row-by-row approach of RDBMS keeps all information about entities together
- "Columnar" approach (column-by-column) keeps all information about attributes together

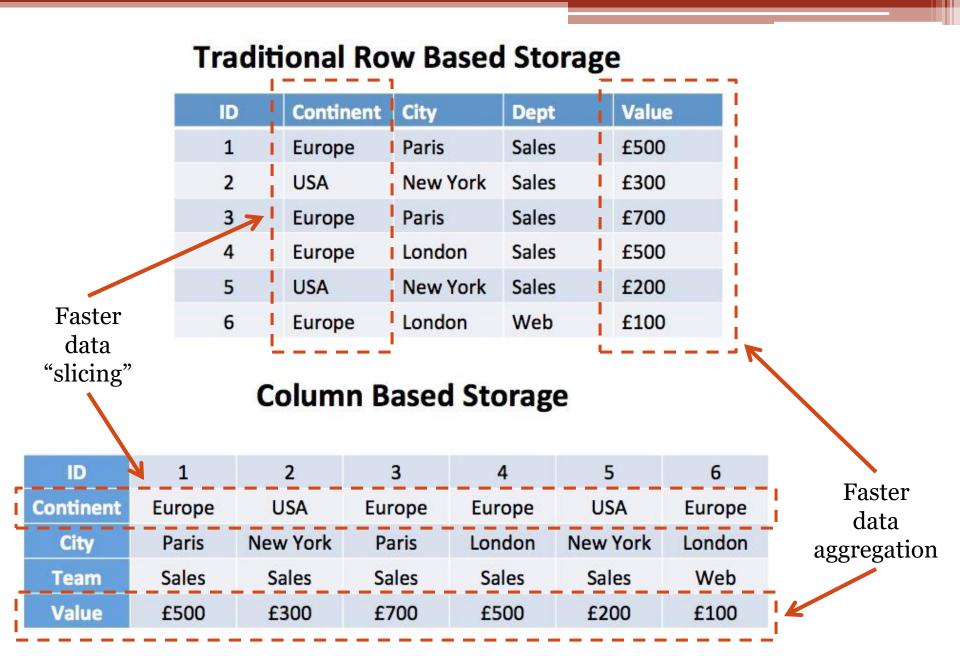


- Easy to add or modify a record
- Slower since need to read unnecessary data

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- Reading only relevant data
- Read or modify operations require multiple accesses

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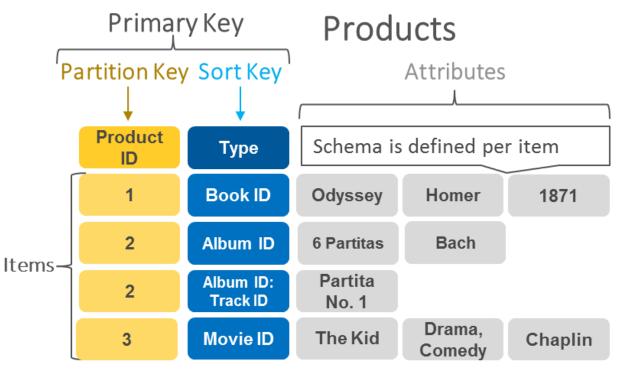


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Other Data Storage Models and DBMS

Key-Value Stores

- Use simple key-value method to store data
- Data is stored as a collection of key-value pairs
- Key values can be any kind of objects and serve as a unique identifiers of pairs



• Extremely scalable in compare to other storage models

- Allows horizontal scaling
- Used to store sessions in web applications, shopping carts in e-commerce solutions, gaming industry

https://aws.amazon.com/nosql/key-value/

Other Data Storage Models and DBMS

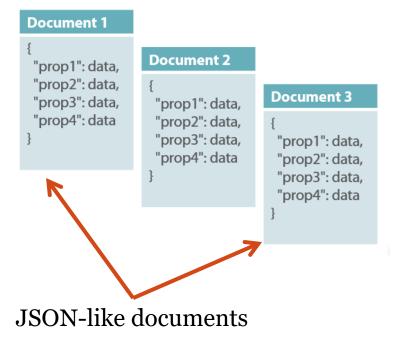
Document-Oriented Databases

- Designed to store and query data as JSON-like documents (XML documents for earlier systems)
- Easier to use the same document-model format that is used in applications code
- Easy to support flexible, semi-structured, and hierarchical documents

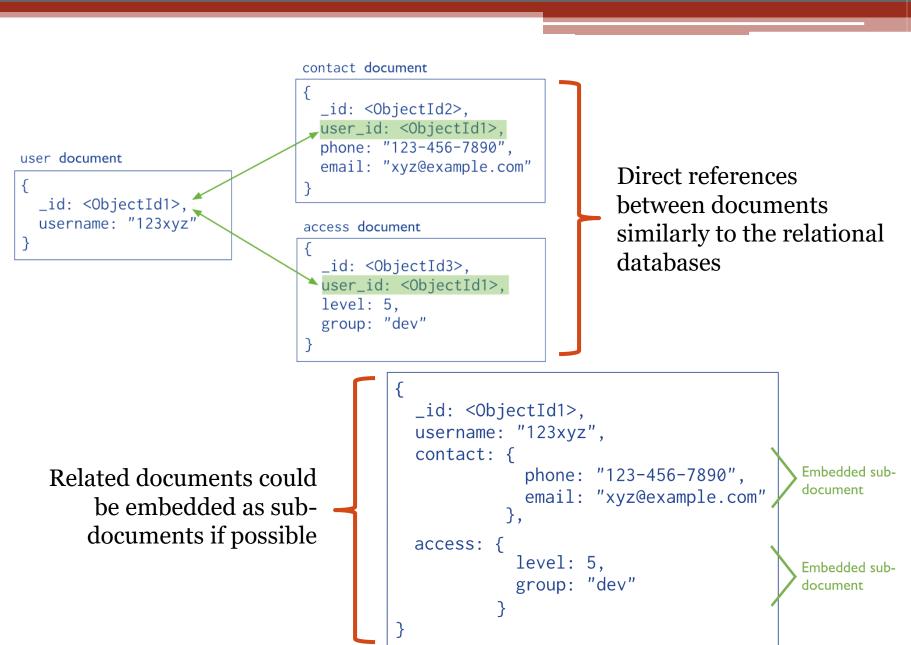
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Used in:

- Content-management systems
- User profiles
- Catalogs for E-Commerce



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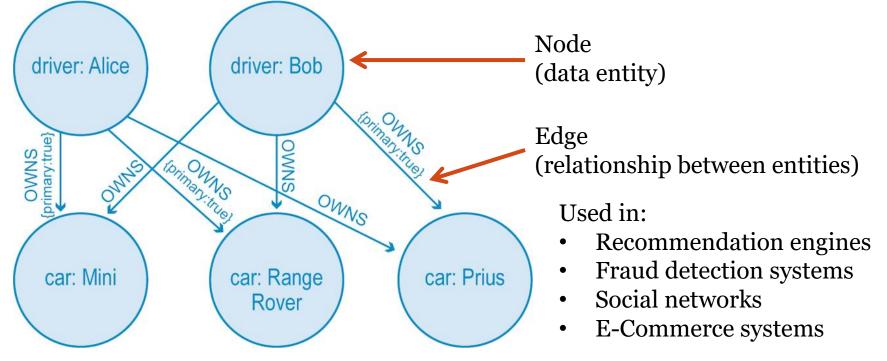


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Other Data Storage Models and DBMS

Graph-Based Databases

- Built to store and navigate relationships
- Use nodes to store data entities and edges to store relationships
- Very fast traversing since relationships are persisted in the database and do not need to be calculated at query times



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BPM and CEP

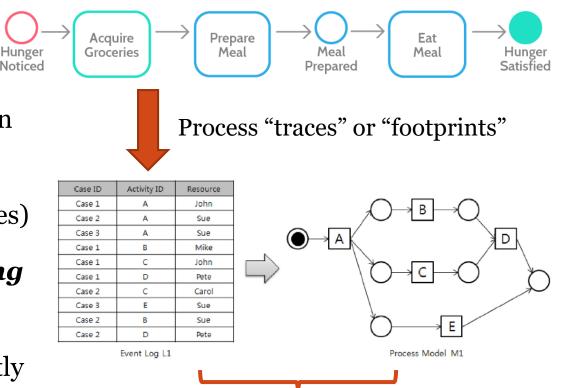
Business Process Management (BPM)

modeling, automation, execution of person-to-person or system-to-system tasks linked together based on conditions (business processes)

Complex Event Processing (CEP)

real-time capturing and analyzing data streams (mostly event logs of enterprise information systems) to identify opportunities or threats

https://www.process.st/bpmn-tutorial/



Process Mining

detect activities sequences and process behavior patterns in event logs to build business process model "as-is"

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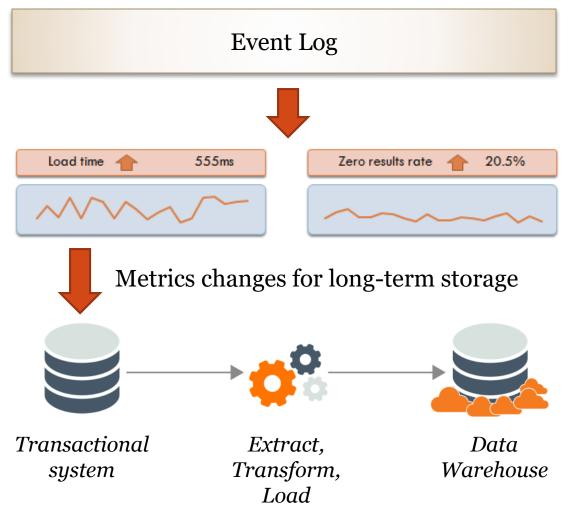
BAM and ETL

Business Activity Monitoring (BAM)

real-time business process monitoring, indicating and alerting about deviations of metrics from target values

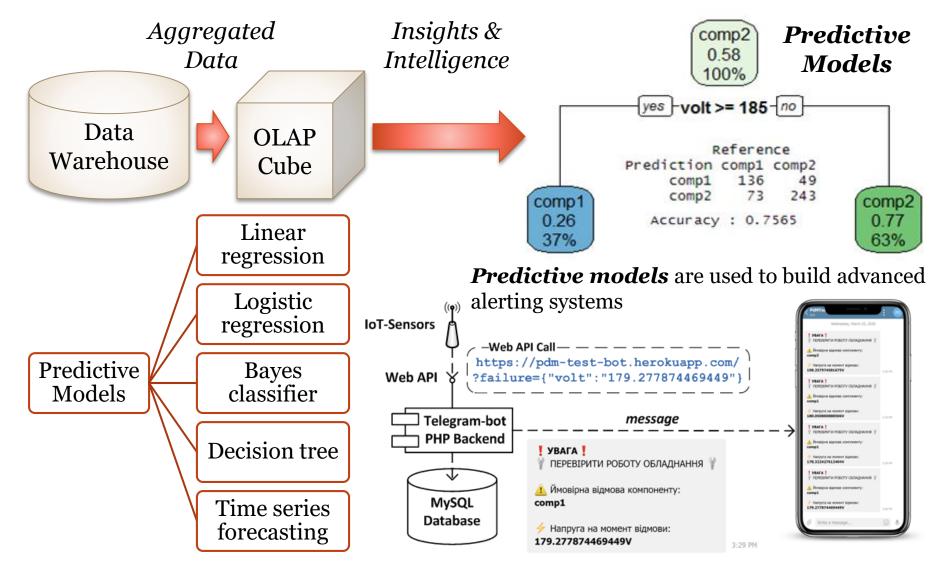
Extract, Transform, Load (ETL)

data extraction from external sources, its transformation, cleaning, and loading to the warehouse

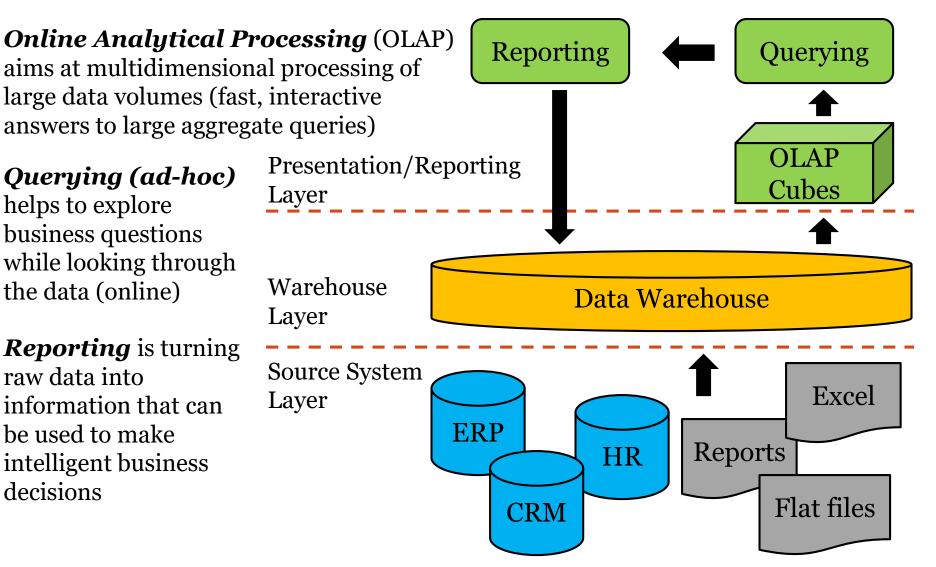


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Predictive Analytics



OLAP



FASMI Test for OLAP Systems

Fast Analysis of Shared Multidimensional Information

• Fast

(responses query in 1-20 seconds)

• Analysis

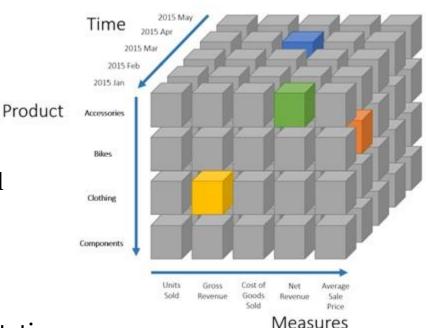
(supports any complex logical or statistical analysis for business applications)

• Shared

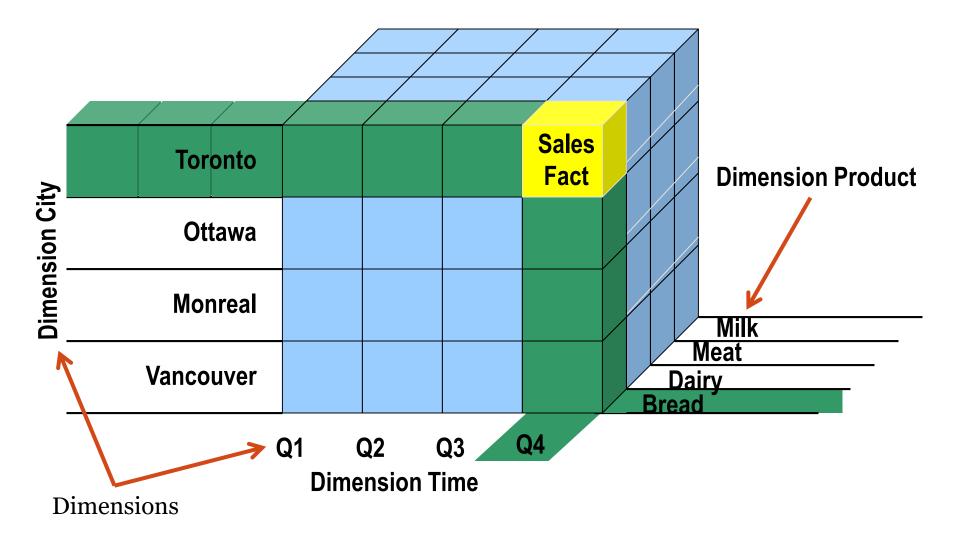
(provides secured multiuser access)

- Multidimensional (supports multidimensional data representation including hierarchies)
- Information

(processes huge volume of data and information)



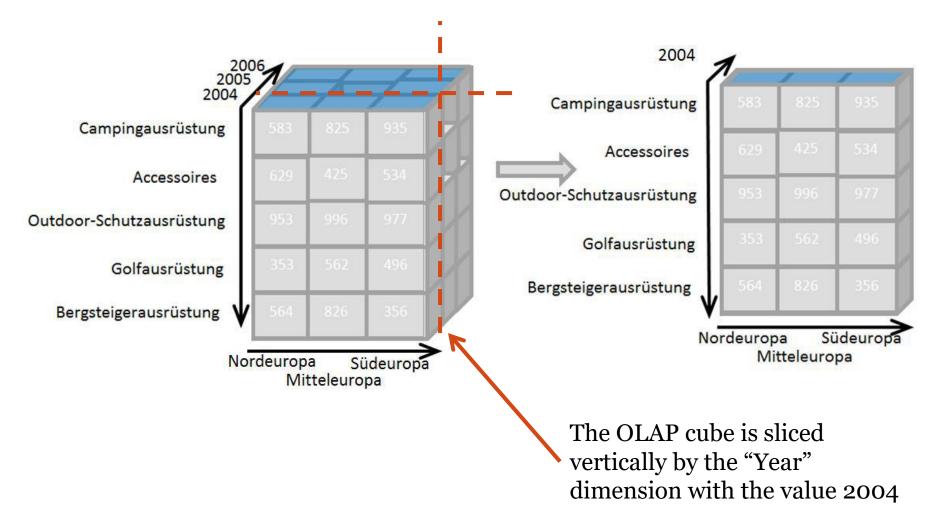
OLAP: Why Multidimensional?



Codd Rules for OLAP: Basic Features

Rule	Description
Multidimensional Conceptual View	Support slice and dice, drill down, roll up, and pivot operations
Intuitive Data Manipulation	Multidimensional manipulations should be intuitive for users
Accessibility: OLAP as a Mediator	Wrap physical data stores with its logical model
Batch Extraction vs. Interpretive	Provide efficient access to both internal and external data warehouse
OLAP Analysis Models	Support parameterized queries, multidimensional analysis operations, "what if" analysis, goal-based simulations
Client-Server Architecture	Separate data storage and analysis
Transparency	Encapsulate data model and tools
Multi-User Support	Provide concurrent access, integrity and security

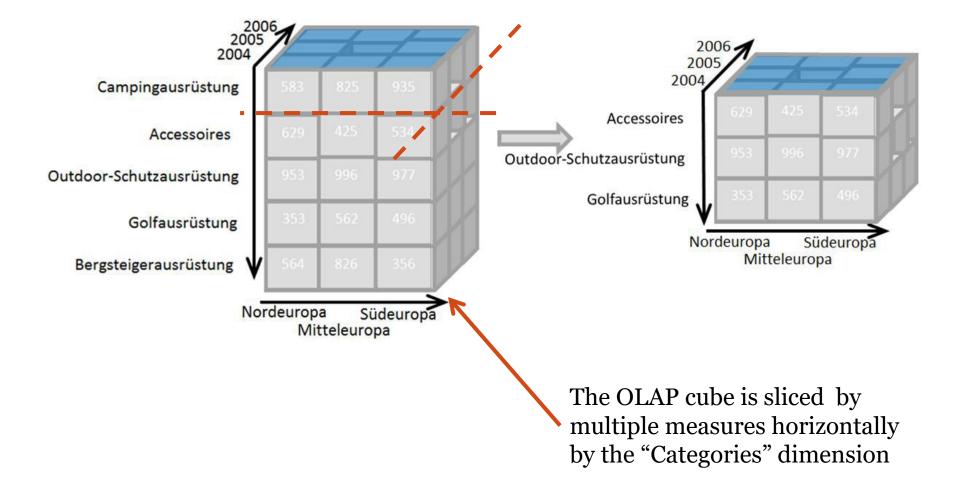




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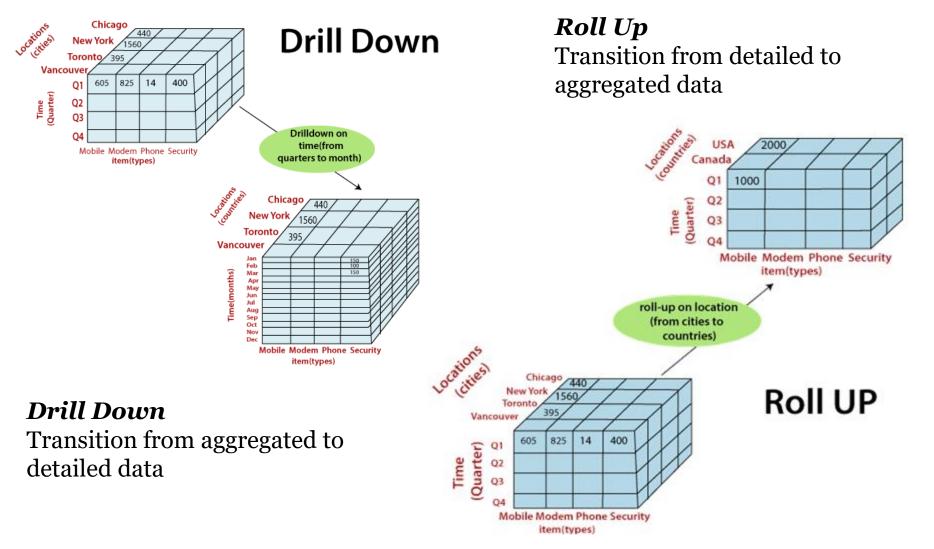
OLAP: Dice



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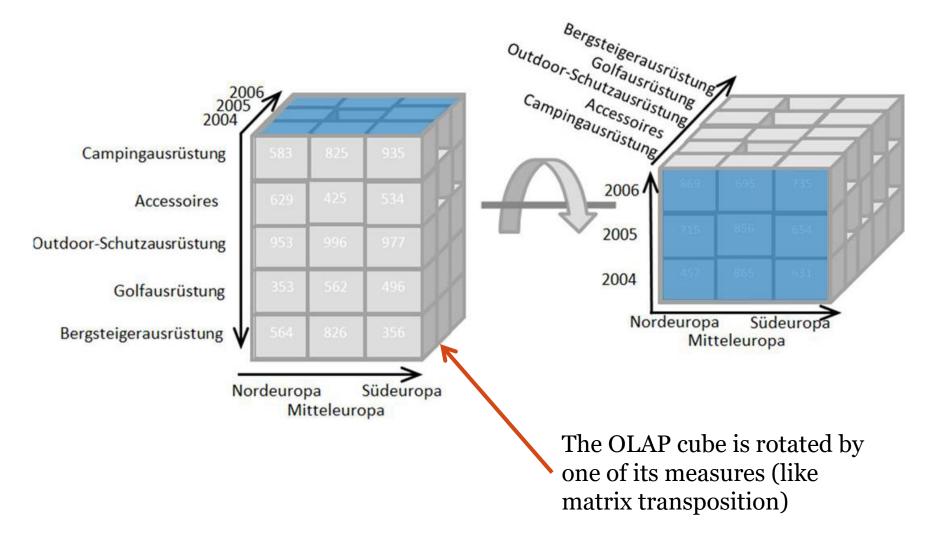
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OLAP: Drill Down and Roll Up



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OLAP: Pivot



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Codd Rules for OLAP: Special Features

Rule	Description
Treatment of Non-Normalized Data	OLAP modifications should not affect data stored in external source systems Non-normalized data sources should be integrated with OLAP systems
Storing OLAP Results: Keeping Them Separate from Source Data	OLAP applications should not work directly with processed data Data modified by OLAP should be separated from transactional data
Extraction of Missing Values	Missing values should be distinguished from empty values
Treatment of Missing Values	All missing values should be ignored by OLAP system independently from their sources

Codd Rules for OLAP: Reporting Features

Rule	Description
Flexible Reporting	OLAP systems should support various kinds of data visualization Reports should be displayed in any possible format
Consistent Reporting Performance	Increasing of dimensions and data volumes should not lead to decreasing of performance This rule assures usability and simplicity of OLAP usage
Automatic Adjustment of Physical Level (replacement of original rule Dynamic Sparse Matrix Handling)	OLAP systems should provide efficient processing of sparse matrix Access speed should remain constant despite data cells locations, number of dimensions, and data density

Codd Rules for OLAP: Dimension Control Features

Rule	Description
Generic Dimensionality	All dimensions should be equal Since dimensions are symmetric, each dimension could be complemented with additional features Data structures, expressions, and reports should not depend on a single dimension
Unlimited Dimensions and Aggregation Levels	It is recommended to allow at least 15 or even 20 dimensions to be used in a OLAP tool Each of these dimensions should allow unlimited aggregation levels defined by users
Unrestricted Cross-Dimensional Operations	Calculations and data manipulations on any number of dimensions should not deny or restrict any relations between data cells

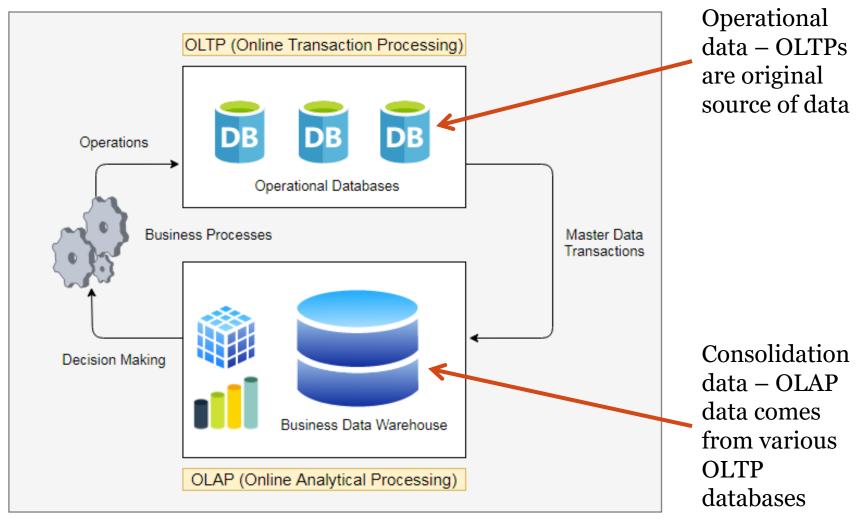
OLAP vs. OLTP

Feature	OLTP	OLAP	
Source of data	Operational data – OLTPs are original source of data	Consolidation data – OLAP data comes from various OLTP databases	
Purpose of data	Control and run business tasks	Support planning, problem solving and decision making	
What the data	Snapshot of ongoing business processes	Multi-dimensional views of various business activities	
Inserts and updates	Short and fast inserts and updates initiated by end users	Periodic long-running batch uploads to refresh the data	
Queries	Standardized and simple queries (CRUD), returning relatively few records	Complex queries involving aggregations	
Processing speed	Typically very fast	Depends on the amount of data involved, batch data updates and complex queries may take time	
Space requirements	Relatively small if historical data is archived	Larger due to the aggregation structures and history data	
Database design	Highly normalized with many tables	Typically de-normalized with fewer tables using star and/or snowflake schemas	
Backup and recovery	Frequent backups – operational data is critical to run the business	Reloading the OLTP data as a recovery method	

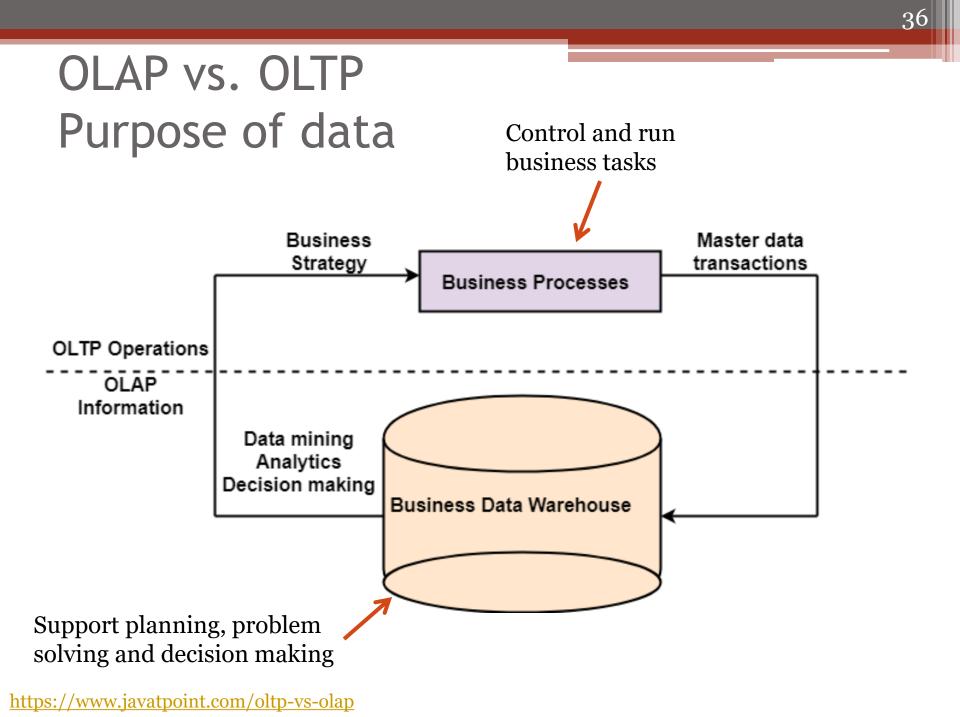
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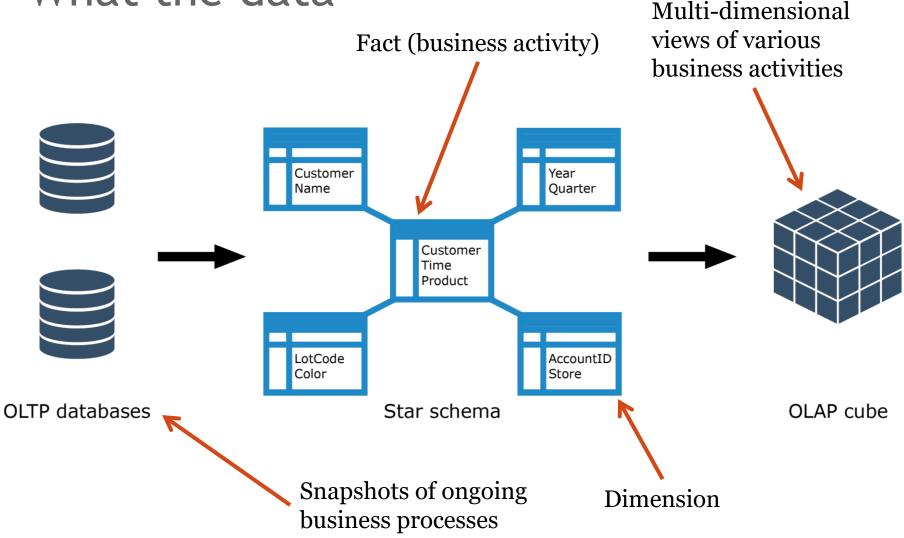
OLAP vs. OLTP Source of data



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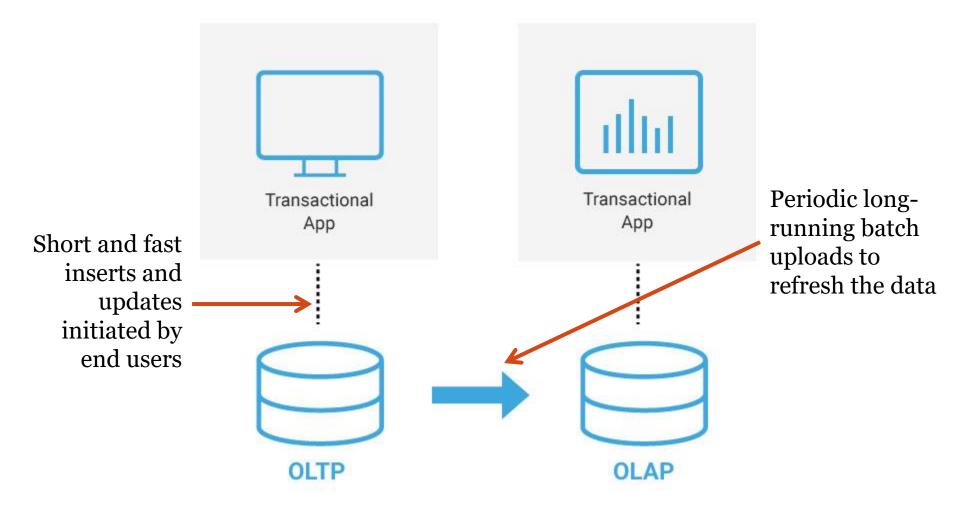


OLAP vs. OLTP What the data



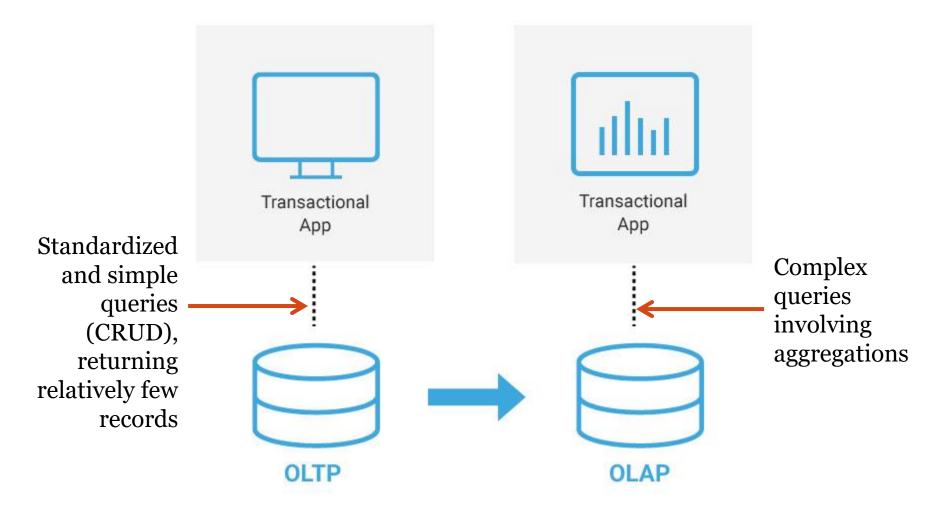
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OLAP vs. OLTP Inserts and Update

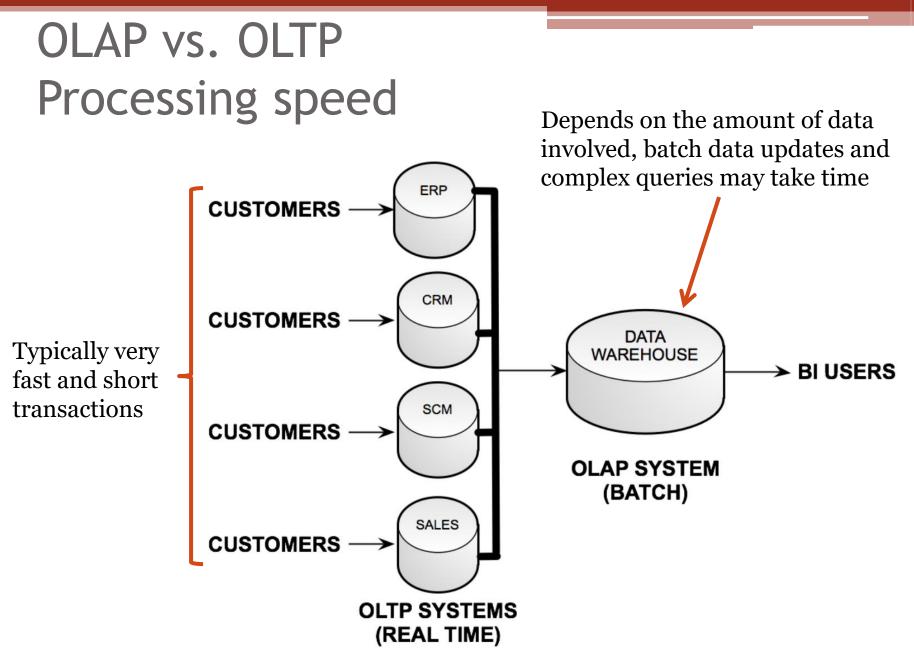


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OLAP vs. OLTP Queries

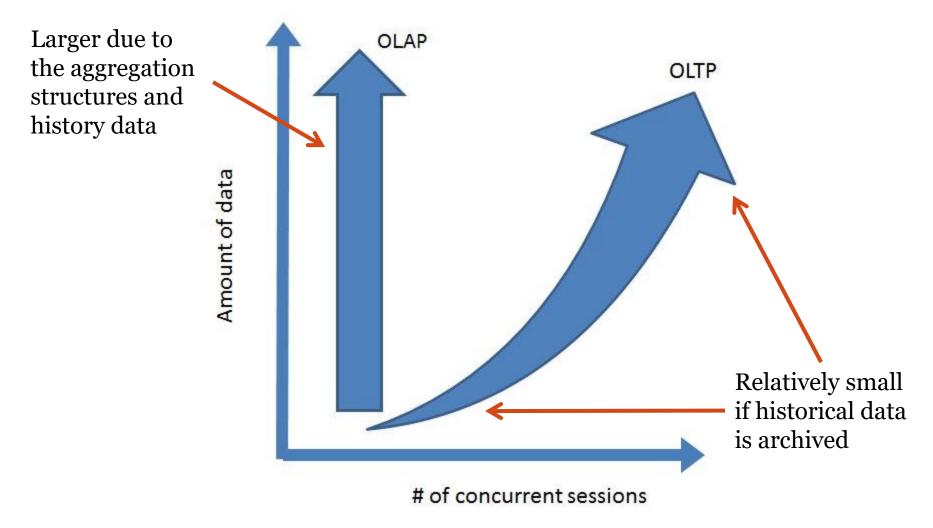


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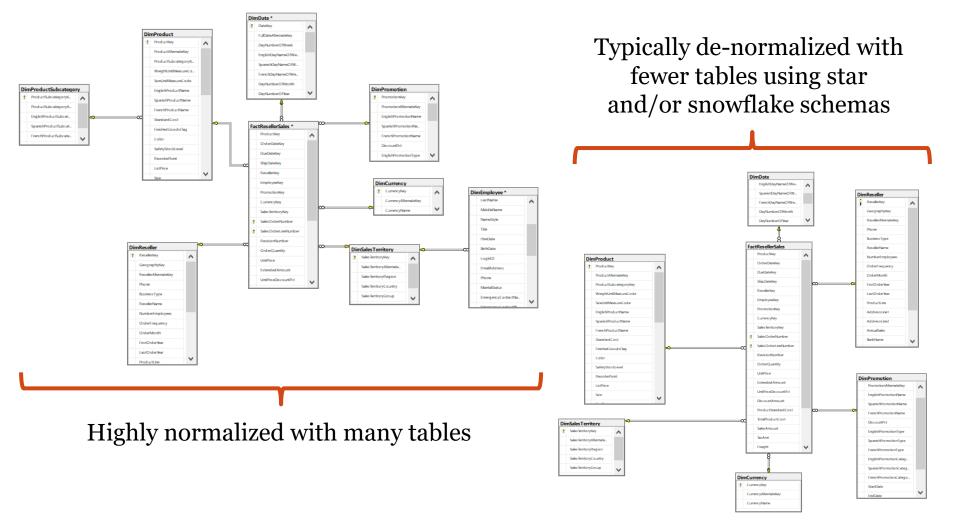
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OLAP vs. OLTP Space requirements



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OLAP vs. OLTP Database design

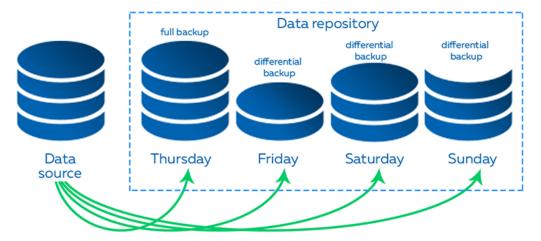


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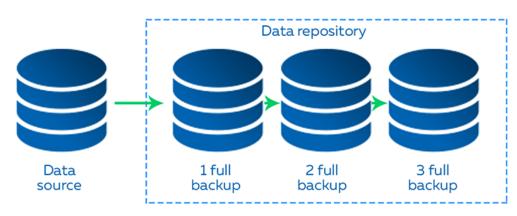
OLAP vs. OLTP Backup and recovery

Differential

OLTP systems support frequent backups – operational data is critical to run the business



Full



OLAP data warehouses tend to support reloading the OLTP data as a recovery method

https://www.handybackup.net/full-vs-differential-sql-backup.shtml

OLAP vs. OLTP Summary

OLTP

A data modeling approach typically used to facilitate and manage usual business applications

OLAP

An approach to answer multidimensional queries to provide valid and useful analytics to management

Parameters	OLTP	OLAP
Application	Operational (ERP, CRM, legacy applications)	Management Information Systems Decision Support Systems
Typical users	Staff Customers	Analyst Business users
Horizon	Weeks/Month	Years
Refresh	Immediate	Periodic
Data model	Entity-relationship	Multi-dimensional
Schema	Normalized	Star/Snowflake
Emphasis	Update/Retrieval	Retrieval

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OLAP Formats

<u>MOLAP</u> Multidimensional OLAP

OLAP Formats (how data is stored in cubes)

<u>ROLAP</u> Relational OLAP

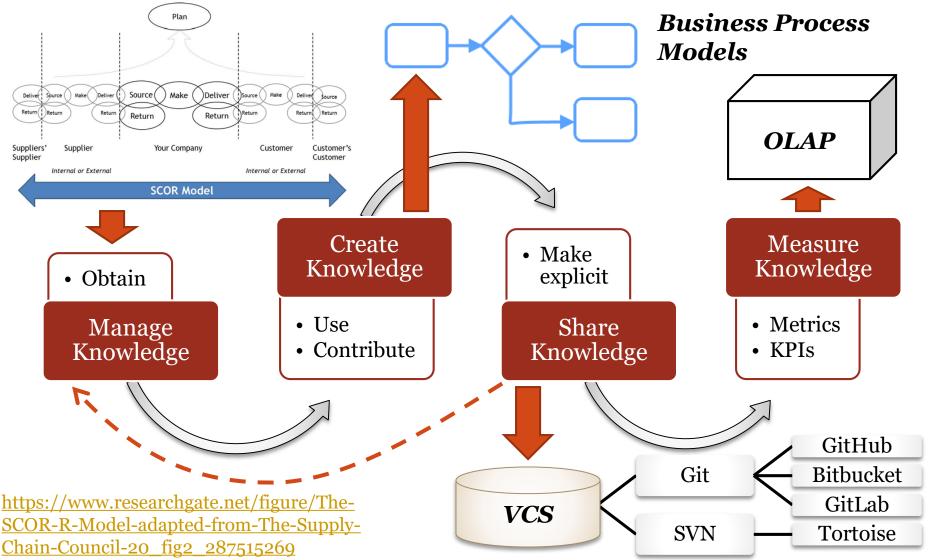
HOLAP Hybrid OLAP

OLAP Formats: Comparison

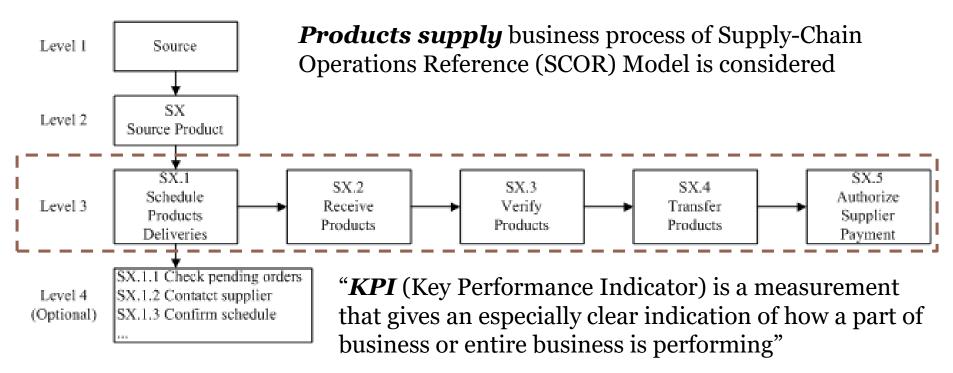
Feature	OLTP	ROLAP	MOLAP	
Typical operation	Update	Report	Analysis	
Level of analytical requirements	Low	Medium	High	
User interface forms	Immutable	Defined by user	Defined by user	
Data volume per transaction	Small	Relatively small to large	Large	
Data granularity	Detail	Detail and aggregated	Aggregated	
Data storage terms	Ongoing	Historical and ongoing	Historical, ongoing, and forecasted	
Structural elements	Records	Records	Arrays	

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Knowledge Management, Repositories, Version Control

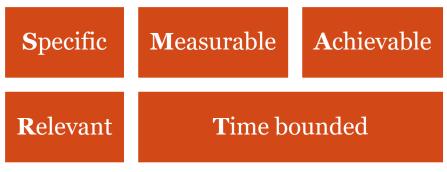


Metrics/KPIs



Supply process metrics (KPIs):

- Cost to supply, CtS
- Supply cycle time, SCT
- % orders delivered in full, $OSF_{\%}$
- % orders delivered on time, OST_% etc.



Scorecards

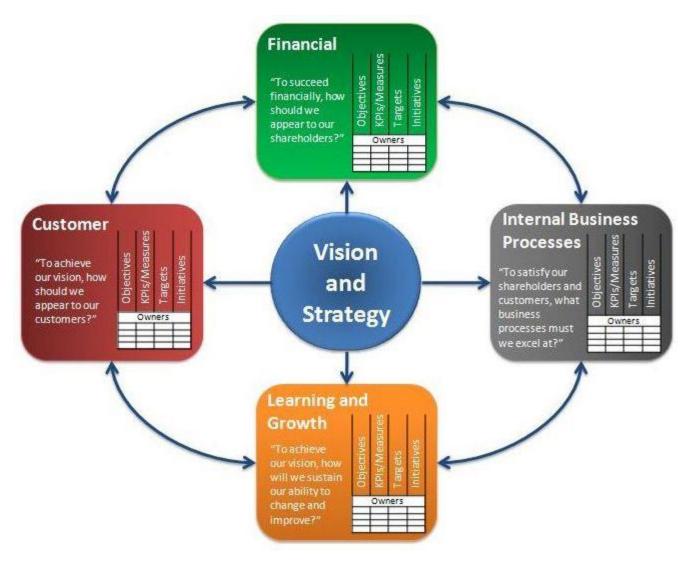
Scorecards are used to measure progress toward goals

progress toward goal	ls ,7	Reduce supply costs to X	Cost to supply (CtS)
	Financial	Goal	Measure
Customer		Deliver Z% of fulfilled orders	% orders delivered in full (OSF _%)
		Deliver N% orders on time	% orders delivered on time (OST _%)
Learning & Growth	>	Goal	Measure
	Business Process	Increase income to M	Income
		Goal	Measure
Scorecards are simila but used to categoriz		Reduce supply cycle time to Y	Supply cycle time (SCT)

Goal

Measure

Balanced Scorecards (BSC)



Balanced ScoreCards framework is a great example of KPIs implementation

It is designed by U.S. economists:

- director of the research center
 Norlan Norton
 Institute David
 Norton
- professor of Harvard Business
 School Robert Kaplan

It was presented in 1992

Balanced Scorecards: KPIs Examples

Financial

- total assets
- total assets per employee
- income to total assets
- income per employee
- income from new products
- profit to total assets
- profit per employee, etc.

Internal Business Processes

- timely delivery
- productivity growth
- administrative expenses
- stock turnover
- production preparation time
- the cost of administrative errors
- direct contacts with clients, etc.

Vision and Strategy

Customer

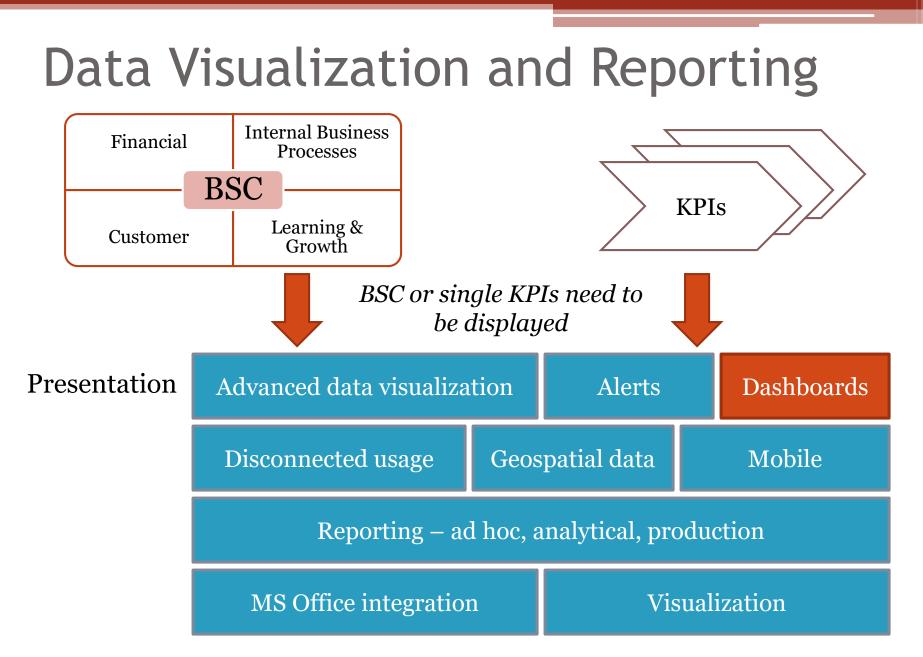
- number of clients
- market share
- average turnover per client
- average time spent on the client
- customer loyalty index
- customer satisfaction index, etc.

Learning and Growth

- staff turnover
- time for training
- average time of absence
- annual training costs per person
- employee satisfaction index, etc.

How KPIs Help Business?

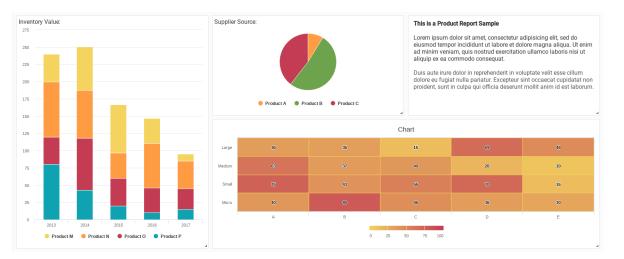




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Dashboards

"... are just like the ones in a car or airplane" "... are central locations where various different types of vital information show up as visual indicators"



Dashboards and Reports
Metrics and Indicators

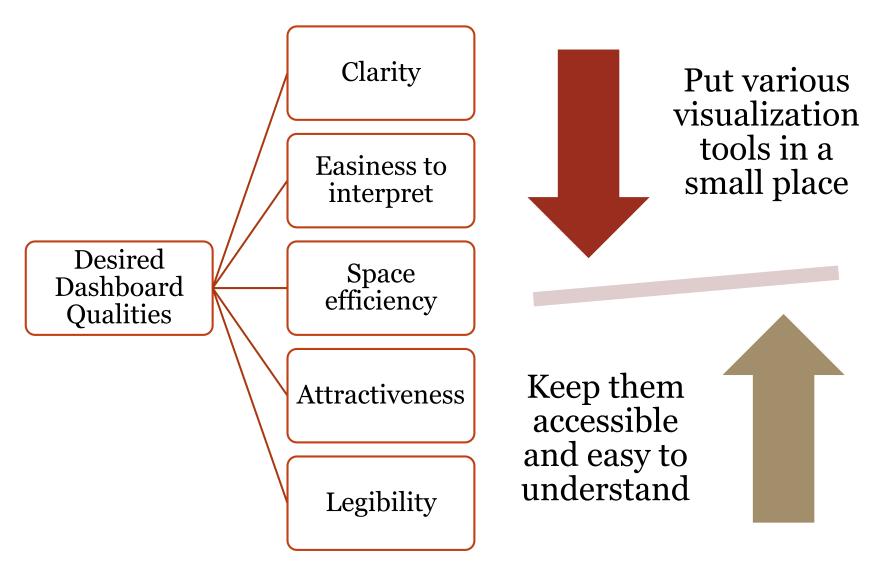
Data and Process Events

Dashboard

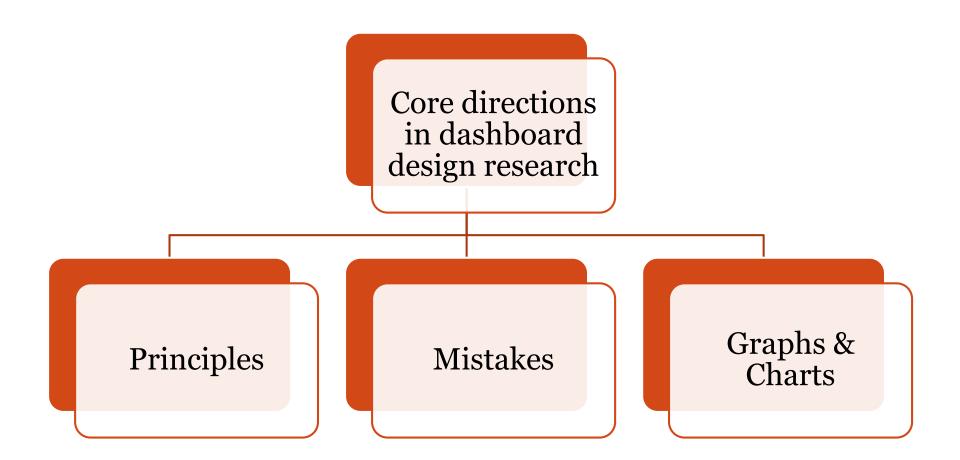
is a multilayer application based on business analysis and data integration infrastructure, which enables organization performance measurement, monitoring and management

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Dashboards: Design Problem



Dashboards: Research Directions



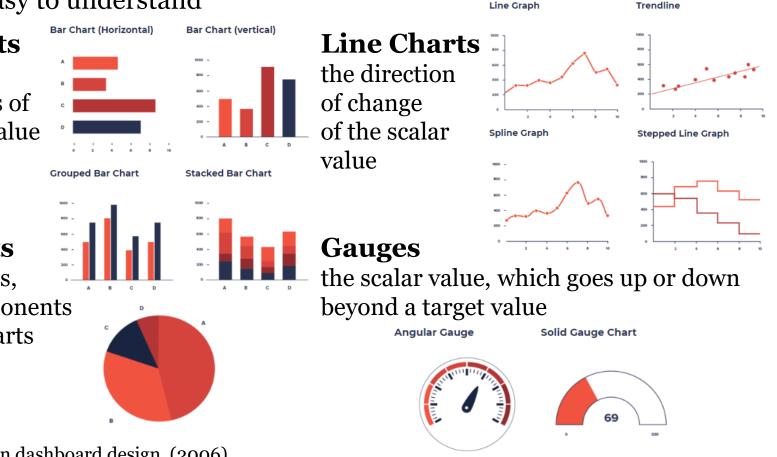
Dashboards: Graphs and Charts

Dashboard design & development assumes "placing various visualization tools in a small place, while keeping them accessible and easy to understand" Line Graph Trendline

Bar Charts comparable components of the vector value

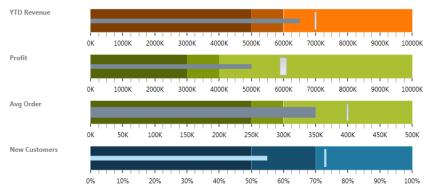
Pie Charts





Dashboards: Other Charts

Bullet Graph space-efficient alternative of gauges

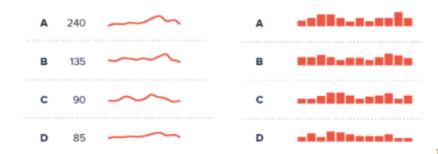


Sparkline

represents trends of scalar values

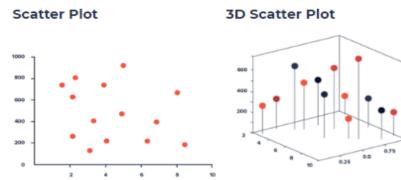
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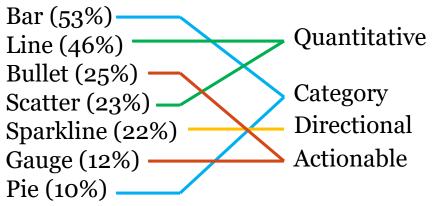
Column Sparkline



Scatter Chart

displays three-dimensional data





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Dashboards: Mistakes

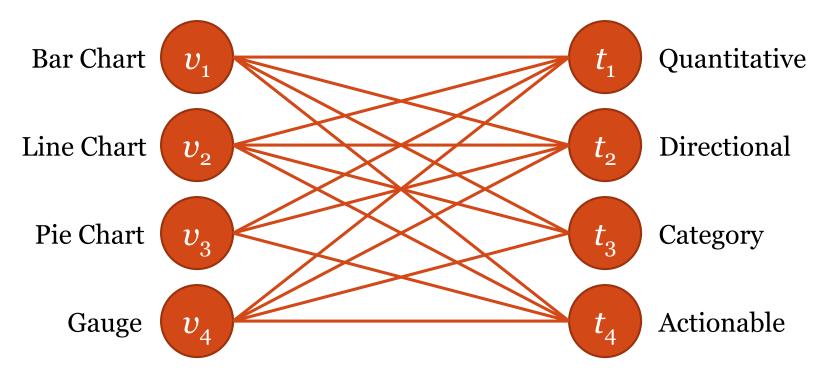
Choosing *inappropriate* (that does not correspond to the nature of visualized data) visualization tools (graphs and charts) is the common mistake in dashboard design

Actionable	Above or below its target valueOutside the tolerance
Directional	Direction that value is trendingWithin the tolerance
Quantitative	Value is more importantExactly matches its target value
Category	Distribution within an entire valueCompare values for each category

Dashboards: Principles

- Selected chart should fit the best a data type of a certain dataset displayed on a dashboard
- Selected chart should serve its purpose even if it is resized in order to be placed into a small place on a dashboard

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Dashboards:

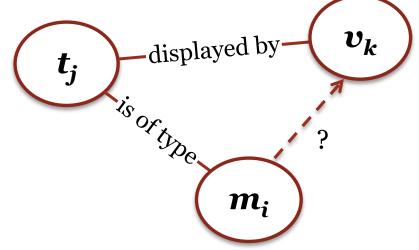
Design Problem Formalization

- 1. Introduce the fuzzy relation "is of type" between measures and data types: $\mu(m_i, t_j)$
- 2. Introduce the fuzzy relation "<u>is displayed by</u>" between data types and visualization tools: $\mu(t_i, v_k)$
- 3. Find relation between measures and visualization tools:

 $\mu(m_i, v_k) = \max\{\min\{\mu(m_i, t_j), \mu(t_j, v_k)\}\}$

4. Estimate informativeness of visualization tools:

Chart	Informativeness	w _i
Bar	53%	1.00
Line	46%	0.87
Bullet	25%	0.47
Scatter	23%	0.43
Sparkline	22%	0.42
Gauge	12%	0.23
Pie	10%	0.19



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Dashboards:

Design Problem Formalization

- 5. Obtain recommendations on charts to be used in order to visualize data: $r_i = \arg \max_k \{w_k \cdot \mu(m_i, v_k)\}$
- 6. Estimate sizes of visualization tools:
 - We propose to use 12-column grid of the Bootstrap UI framework in order to provide the adaptive dashboard
 - The size of a chart assigned to *i*-th metric is denoted as l_i
- 7. Then compromise between informative and space-efficient data visualization could be achieved by solving the following optimization problem:

Optimization model is inspired by 0-1 Knapsack Problem

$$\sum_{i} w_i \cdot x_i \to \max$$
$$l_i \cdot x_i \le 12 \cdot \alpha$$
$$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

This problem could be solved using the Greedy algorithm: sort metrics by w_i from large to small and put them to the dashboard until the all space is taken

Here α is the number of rows to be included into the dashboard, while x_i indicates whether *i*-th chart should be included into the dashboard or not

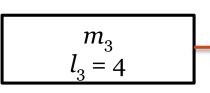
Dashboards: Design Problem Formalization

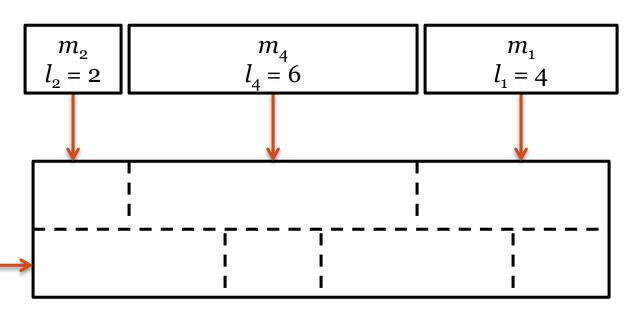
Define charts to be used for each metric Define which metrics should be placed in the limited space

Design dashboard prototype 63

Changes to input data

Dashboard design is simplified to the task of placing of prioritized metrics visualized using predefined charts on the 12-column grid





Dashboards: Design Problem Example

Some KPIs of *products supply* process of the SCOR model are considered:

- Cost to supply, CtS
- Supply cycle time, SCT
- % orders delivered in full, OSF_%
- % orders delivered on time, $OST_{\%}$

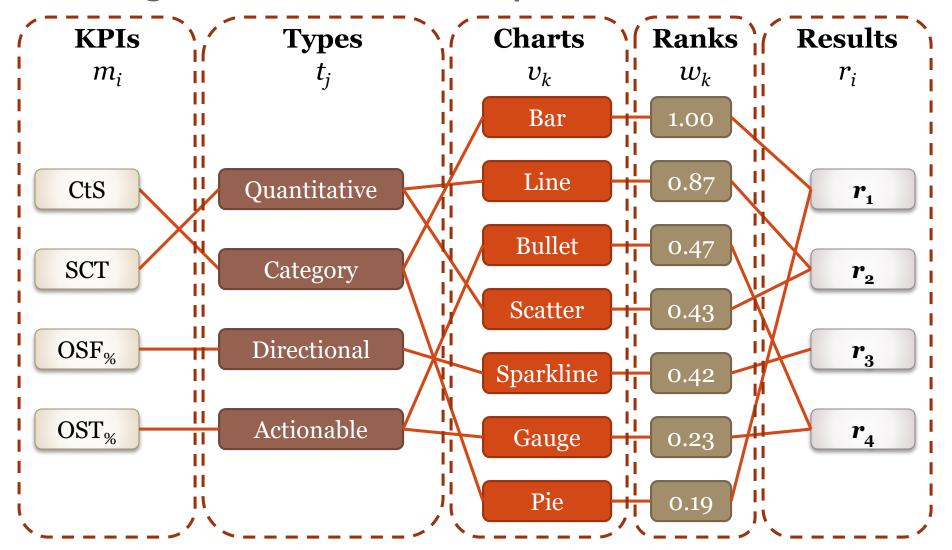
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КРІ х Туре	Quantitative	Category	Directional	Actionable
CtS	0	1	0	0
SCT	1	0	0	0
OSF%	0	0	1	0
OST%	0	0	0	1

"is displayed by" binary relation between data types and charts:

Type x Chart	Bar	Line	Bullet	Scatter	Sparkline	Gauge	Pie
Quantitative	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Category	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Directional	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Actionable	0	0	1	0	0	1	0

Dashboards: Design Problem Example



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Dashboards: Design Problem Example

Find relations between KPIs and visualization tools:

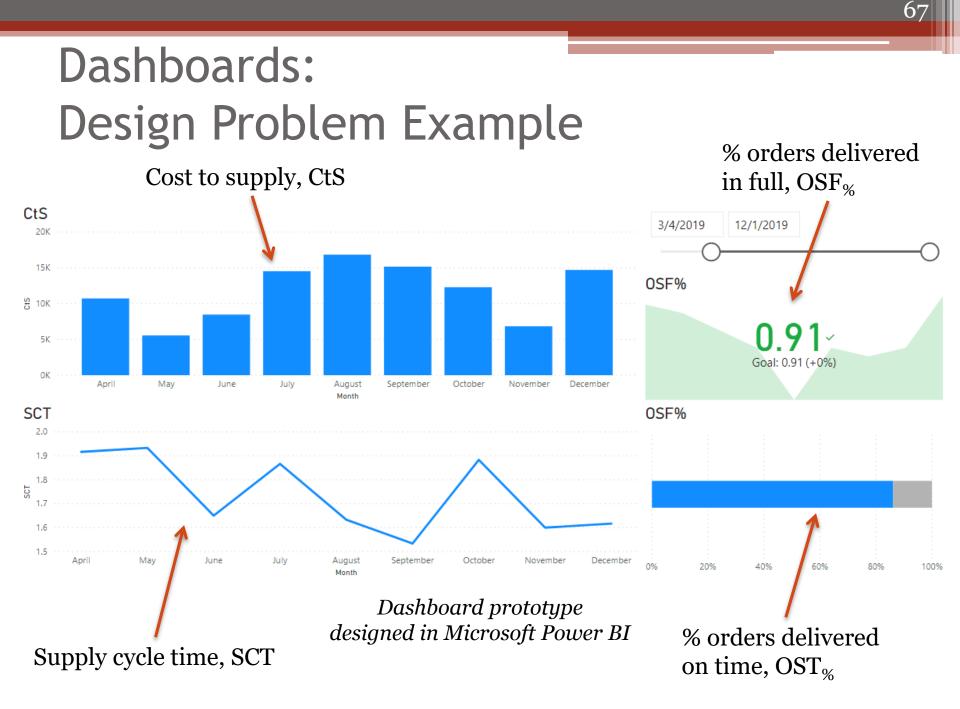
KPI x Chart	Bar	Line	Bullet	Scatter	Sparkline	Gauge	Pie
CtS	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
SCT	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
OSF%	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
OST%	0	0	1	0	0	1	0

Estimate informativeness of charts:

Chart	Bar	Line	Bullet	Scatter	Sparkline	Gauge	Pie
Weight	1	0.87	0.47	0.43	0.42	0.23	0.19

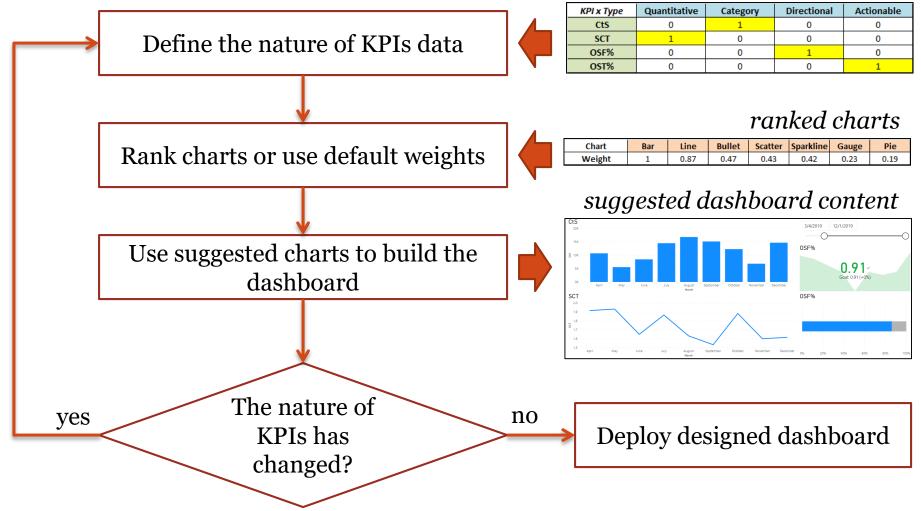
Obtain recommendations:

Weighted	Bar	Line	Bullet	Scatter	Sparkline	Gauge	Pie	тах	arg max
CtS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.19	1	Bar
SCT	0	0.87	0	0.43	0	0	0	0.87	Line
OSF%	0	0	0	0	0.42	0	0	0.42	Sparkline
OST%	0	0	0.47	0	0	0.23	0	0.47	Bullet



Dashboards: Proposed Method Summary

<is of type> relation



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