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Dimensional Modeling: In a Business Intelligence Environment

A thorough update to the industry standard for designing, developing, and deploying data warehouse and business intelligence systems. The world of data warehousing has changed remarkably since the first edition of *The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit* was published in 1998. In that time, the data warehouse industry has reached full maturity and acceptance, hardware and software have made staggering advances, and the techniques promoted in the premiere edition of this book have been adopted by nearly all data warehouse vendors and practitioners. In addition, the term "business intelligence" emerged to reflect the mission of the data warehouse: wrangling the data out of source systems, cleaning it, and delivering it to add value to the business. Ralph Kimball and his colleagues have refined the original set of Lifecycle methods and techniques based on their consulting and training experience. The authors understand first-hand that a data warehousing/business intelligence (DW/BI) system needs to change as fast as its surrounding organization evolves. To that end, they walk you through the detailed steps of designing, developing, and deploying a DW/BI system. You'll learn to create adaptable systems that deliver data and analyses to business users so they can make better business decisions.

Kimball's Data Warehouse Toolkit Classics

This book is written in a recipe-based style packed full of practical tips and techniques to help you analyse multidimensional data stored in SSAS 2012 cubes. If you need to master MDX queries in SSAS, then this book is for you! If you are a Microsoft SQL Server Analysis Services developer and want to improve your solutions using MDX, then this book is for you. This book is also an essential resource for report developers who need to access the multidimensional cubes through the MDX language. The book assumes you have some basic working knowledge of MDX and a basic understanding of dimensional modelling and cube design.

Advanced Information Systems Engineering

Written in an easy-to-follow, example-driven format, there are plenty of stepbystep instructions to help get you started! The book has a friendly approach, with the opportunity to learn by experimenting. If you are a BI and Data Warehouse developer new to Microsoft Business Intelligence, and looking to get a good understanding of the different components of Microsoft SQL Server for Business Intelligence, this book is for you. It's assumed that you will have some experience in databases systems and T-SQL. This book is will give you a good upshot view of each component and scenarios featuring the use of that component in Data Warehousing and Business Intelligence systems.

The Kimball Group Reader

The overwhelming pace of evolution in technology has made it possible to develop intelligent systems which help users in their daily life activities. - cordingly, methods of recording, managing and analysing data have evolved from the very simple ?le systems into complex ambient supportive intelligent systems. This book arises as a compilation of methods, techniques and tools c- nected with data related issues: from modelling to analysis. A broad range of approaches such as database self-* techniques for ubiquitous environments, multimedia data, or data driven models will be reviewed. Di?erent areas of applications, in which data models conceptualize nowadays reality, starting from e-learning to electric transformers will be considered. The book is a collection of representative contributions to cover the sp- trum related to data bases, which support decision making and data mining methods as well as conceptualization. Datawarehouse technology and m- eling are presented in the ?rst chapter together with the deep review of datawarehouse techniques for supporting e- learning processes with special emphasis on data cubes, all the tools are considered in the context of imp- mentationofsoftwareapplication.Thesecondchaptercontinueswiththes- ilar technology and deals with the community data warehouse architecture.

Mastering Microsoft Power BI

Leverage the integration of SQL Server and Office for more effective BI Applied Microsoft Business Intelligence shows you how to leverage the complete set of Microsoft tools—including Microsoft Office and SQL Server—to better analyze business data. This book provides best practices for building complete BI solutions using the full Microsoft toolset. You will learn how to effectively use SQL Server Analysis and Reporting Services, along with Excel, SharePoint, and other tools to provide effective and cohesive solutions for the enterprise. Coverage includes BI architecture, data queries, semantic models, multidimensional modeling, data analysis and visualization, performance monitoring, data mining, and more, to help you learn to perform practical business analysis and reporting. Written by an author team that includes a key member of the BI product team at Microsoft, this useful reference provides expert instruction for more effective use of the Microsoft BI toolset. Use Microsoft BI suite cohesively for more effective enterprise solutions Search, analyze, and visualize data more efficiently and completely Develop flexible and scalable tabular and multidimensional models Monitor performance, build a BI portal, and deploy and manage the BI Solution

The Biml Book

Learn Business Intelligence Markup Language (Biml) for automating much of the repetitive, manual labor involved in data integration. We teach you how to build frameworks and use advanced Biml features to get more out of SQL Server Integration Services (SSIS), Transact-SQL (T-SQL), and SQL Server Analysis Services (SSAS) than you ever thought possible. The first part of the book starts with the basics—getting your development environment configured, Biml syntax, and scripting essentials. Whether a beginner or a seasoned Biml expert, the next part of the book guides you through the process of using Biml to build a framework that captures both your design patterns and execution management. Design patterns are reusable code blocks that standardize the approach you use to perform certain types of data integration, logging, and other key data functions. Design patterns solve common problems encountered when developing data integration solutions. Because you do not have to build the code from scratch each time, design patterns improve your efficiency as a Biml developer. In addition to leveraging design patterns in your framework, you will learn how to build a robust metadata store and how to package your framework into Biml bundles for deployment within your enterprise. In the last part of the book, we teach you more advanced Biml features and capabilities, such as SSAS development, T-SQL recipes, documentation autogeneration, and Biml troubleshooting. The Biml Book: Provides practical and applicable examples Teaches you how to use Biml to reduce development time while improving quality Takes you through solutions to common data integration and BI challenges What You'll Learn Master the basics of Business Intelligence Markup Language (Biml) Study patterns for automating SSIS package generation Build a Biml Framework Import and transform database schemas Automate generation of scripts and projects Who This Book Is For BI developers wishing to quickly locate

previously tested solutions, Microsoft BI specialists, those seeking more information about solution automation and code generation, and practitioners of Data Integration Lifecycle Management (DILM) in the DevOps enterprise

Building a Scalable Data Warehouse with Data Vault 2.0

A cutting-edge response to Ralph Kimball's challenge to the data warehouse community that answers some tough questions about the effectiveness of the relational approach to data warehousing Written by one of the best-known exponents of the Bill Inmon approach to data warehousing Addresses head-on the tough issues raised by Kimball and explains how to choose the best modeling technique for solving common data warehouse design problems Weighs the pros and cons of relational vs. dimensional modeling techniques Focuses on tough modeling problems, including creating and maintaining keys and modeling calendars, hierarchies, transactions, and data quality

The Data Warehouse ETL Toolkit

Best practices and invaluable advice from world-renowned data warehouse experts In this book, leading data warehouse experts from the Kimball Group share best practices for using the upcoming "Business Intelligence release" of SQL Server, referred to as SQL Server 2008 R2. In this new edition, the authors explain how SQL Server 2008 R2 provides a collection of powerful new tools that extend the power of its BI toolset to Excel and SharePoint users and they show how to use SQL Server to build a successful data warehouse that supports the business intelligence requirements that are common to most organizations. Covering the complete suite of data warehousing and BI tools that are part of SQL Server 2008 R2, as well as Microsoft Office, the authors walk you through a full project lifecycle, including design, development, deployment and maintenance. Features more than 50 percent new and revised material that covers the rich new feature set of the SQL Server 2008 R2 release, as well as the Office 2010 release Includes brand new content that focuses on PowerPivot for Excel and SharePoint, Master Data Services, and discusses updated capabilities of SQL Server Analysis, Integration, and Reporting Services Shares detailed case examples that clearly illustrate how to best apply the techniques described in the book The accompanying Web site contains all code samples as well as the sample database used throughout the case studies The Microsoft Data Warehouse Toolkit, Second Edition provides you with the knowledge of how and when to use BI tools such as Analysis Services and Integration Services to accomplish your most essential data warehousing tasks.

Data Warehousing with the Informix Dynamic Server

Geared to IT professionals eager to get into the all-important field of data warehousing, this book explores all topics needed by those who design and implement data warehouses. Readers will learn about planning requirements, architecture,

infrastructure, datapreparation, information delivery, implementation, and maintenance.They'll also find a wealth of industry examples garnered from theauthor's 25 years of experience in designing and implementingdatabases and data warehouse applications for majorcorporations. Market: IT Professionals, Consultants.

MDX with SSAS 2012 Cookbook

With constantly expanding options such as Azure Data Lake Server (ADLS) and Azure SQL Data Warehouse (ADW), how can developers learn the process and components required to successfully move this data? Quick Start Guide to Azure Data Factory, Azure Data Lake Server, and Azure Data Warehouse teaches you the basics of moving data between Azure SQL solutions using Azure Data Factory. Discover how to build and deploy each of the components needed to integrate data in the cloud with local SQL databases. Mark Beckner's step by step instructions on how to build each component, how to test processes and debug, and how to track and audit the movement of data, will help you to build your own solutions instantly and efficiently. This book includes information on configuration, development, and administration of a fully functional solution and outlines all of the components required for moving data from a local SQL instance through to a fully functional data warehouse with facts and dimensions.

Data Warehousing Fundamentals

SQL for Data Analytics

Describes data warehousing design and development techniques using MySQL.

Microsoft SQL Server 2014 Business Intelligence Development Beginner's Guide

Implement a Robust BI Solution with Microsoft SQL Server 2012 Equip your organization for informed, timely decision making using the expert tips and best practices in this practical guide. Delivering Business Intelligence with Microsoft SQL Server 2012, Third Edition explains how to effectively develop, customize, and distribute meaningful information to users enterprise-wide. Learn how to build data marts and create BI Semantic Models, work with the MDX and DAX languages, and share insights using Microsoft client tools. Data mining and forecasting are also covered in this comprehensive resource. Understand the goals and components of successful BI Design, deploy, and manage data marts and OLAP cubes Load and cleanse data with SQL Server Integration Services Manipulate and analyze data using MDX and DAX scripts and queries Work with SQL Server Analysis Services and the BI Semantic Model Author interactive reports using SQL Server Data Tools

Create KPIs and digital dashboards Use data mining to identify patterns, correlations, and clusters Implement time-based analytics Embed BI reports in custom applications using ADOMD.NET

The Data Warehouse Toolkit

An unparalleled collection of recommended guidelines for data warehousing and business intelligence pioneered by Ralph Kimball and his team of colleagues from the Kimball Group. Recognized and respected throughout the world as the most influential leaders in the data warehousing industry, Ralph Kimball and the Kimball Group have written articles covering more than 250 topics that define the field of data warehousing. For the first time, the Kimball Group's incomparable advice, design tips, and best practices have been gathered in this remarkable collection of articles, which spans a decade of data warehousing innovation. Each group of articles is introduced with original commentaries that explain their role in the overall lifecycle methodology developed by the Kimball Group. These practical, hands-on articles are fully updated to reflect current practices and terminology and cover the complete lifecycle—including project planning, requirements gathering, dimensional modeling, ETL, and business intelligence and analytics. This easily referenced collection is nothing less than vital if you are involved with data warehousing or business intelligence in any capacity.

Building the Data Warehouse

DW 2.0: The Architecture for the Next Generation of Data Warehousing is the first book on the new generation of data warehouse architecture, DW 2.0, by the father of the data warehouse. The book describes the future of data warehousing that is technologically possible today, at both an architectural level and technology level. The perspective of the book is from the top down: looking at the overall architecture and then delving into the issues underlying the components. This allows people who are building or using a data warehouse to see what lies ahead and determine what new technology to buy, how to plan extensions to the data warehouse, what can be salvaged from the current system, and how to justify the expense at the most practical level. This book gives experienced data warehouse professionals everything they need in order to implement the new generation DW 2.0. It is designed for professionals in the IT organization, including data architects, DBAs, systems design and development professionals, as well as data warehouse and knowledge management professionals. * First book on the new generation of data warehouse architecture, DW 2.0. * Written by the "father of the data warehouse", Bill Inmon, a columnist and newsletter editor of The Bill Inmon Channel on the Business Intelligence Network. * Long overdue comprehensive coverage of the implementation of technology and tools that enable the new generation of the DW: metadata, temporal data, ETL, unstructured data, and data quality control.

Business Intelligence in Microsoft SharePoint 2013

Here is the ideal field guide for data warehousing implementation. This book first teaches you how to build a data warehouse, including defining the architecture, understanding the methodology, gathering the requirements, designing the data models, and creating the databases. Coverage then explains how to populate the data warehouse and explores how to present data to users using reports and multidimensional databases and how to use the data in the data warehouse for business intelligence, customer relationship management, and other purposes. It also details testing and how to administer data warehouse operation.

THE DATA WAREHOUSE LIFECYCLE TOOLKIT, 2ND ED

Market_Desc: · Data warehouse Designers· Data warehouse Architects· Data warehouse Developers· Data warehouse Managers
Special Features: · The current first edition has sold more than 72,000 copies, generating net revenue of more than \$2.5 million· The methods described in this book have been adopted by almost all leading data warehouse vendors· Ralph Kimball and his co-authors are recognized as the driving thought leaders in the data warehousing industry; there is no direct competition· The authors actively promote this methodology in training and consulting worldwide and in their writing in magazines and online
About The Book: The book covers best practices from data warehouse project inception through on-going program management. About 30 to 40% of the content in the book is updated and new. This revised tutorial covers major lifecycle topics such as dimensional modeling, tech architecture, ETL, BI etc. It is targeted at both novice and experienced data warehouse professionals.

DW 2.0: The Architecture for the Next Generation of Data Warehousing

The "father of data warehousing" incorporates the latest technologies into his blueprint for integrated decision support systems Today's corporate IT and data warehouse managers are required to make a small army of technologies work together to ensure fast and accurate information for business managers. Bill Inmon created the Corporate Information Factory to solve the needs of these managers. Since the First Edition, the design of the factory has grown and changed dramatically. This Second Edition, revised and expanded by 40% with five new chapters, incorporates these changes. This step-by-step guide will enable readers to connect their legacy systems with the data warehouse and deal with a host of new and changing technologies, including Web access mechanisms, e-commerce systems, ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) systems. The book also looks closely at exploration and data mining servers for analyzing customer behavior and departmental data marts for finance, sales, and marketing.

Dimensional Data Warehousing with MySQL

The IBM Informix® Dynamic Server (IDS) has the tools to build a powerful data warehouse infrastructure platform to lower costs and increase profits by doing more with your existing operational data and infrastructure. The Informix Warehouse Feature simplifies the process for design and deployment of a high performance data warehouse. With a state-of-the-art extract, load, and transform (ELT) tool and an Eclipse-based GUI environment that is easy to use, this comprehensive platform provides the foundation you need to cost effectively build and deploy the data warehousing infrastructure, using the IBM Informix Dynamic Server, and needed to enable the development and use of next-generation analytic solutions . This IBM® Redbooks® publication describes the technical information and demonstrates the functions and capabilities of the Informix Dynamic Server Warehouse Feature. It can help you understand how to develop a data warehousing architecture and infrastructure to meet your particular requirements, with the Informix Dynamic Server. It can also enable you to transform and manage your operational data, and use it to populate your data warehouse. With that new data warehousing environment, you can support the data analysis and decision-making that are required as you monitor and manage your business processes, and help you meet your business performance management goals, objectives, and measurements.

Corporate Information Factory

Prepare for Microsoft Exam 70-767—and help demonstrate your real-world mastery of skills for managing data warehouses. This exam is intended for Extract, Transform, Load (ETL) data warehouse developers who create business intelligence (BI) solutions. Their responsibilities include data cleansing as well as ETL and data warehouse implementation. The reader should have experience installing and implementing a Master Data Services (MDS) model, using MDS tools, and creating a Master Data Manager database and web application. The reader should understand how to design and implement ETL control flow elements and work with a SQL Service Integration Services package. Focus on the expertise measured by these objectives:

- Design, and implement, and maintain a data warehouse
- Extract, transform, and load data
- Build data quality solutions

This Microsoft Exam Ref:

- Organizes its coverage by exam objectives
- Features strategic, what-if scenarios to challenge you
- Assumes you have working knowledge of relational database technology and incremental database extraction, as well as experience with designing ETL control flows, using and debugging SSIS packages, accessing and importing or exporting data from multiple sources, and managing a SQL data warehouse.

Implementing a SQL Data Warehouse About the Exam Exam 70-767 focuses on skills and knowledge required for working with relational database technology. About Microsoft Certification Passing this exam earns you credit toward a Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP) or Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) certification that demonstrates your mastery of data warehouse management Passing this exam as well as Exam 70-768 (Developing SQL Data Models) earns you credit toward a Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) SQL 2016 Business Intelligence (BI) Development certification. See full details at: microsoft.com/learning

The Data Warehouse Toolkit

The Data Vault was invented by Dan Linstedt at the U.S. Department of Defense, and the standard has been successfully applied to data warehousing projects at organizations of different sizes, from small to large-size corporations. Due to its simplified design, which is adapted from nature, the Data Vault 2.0 standard helps prevent typical data warehousing failures. "Building a Scalable Data Warehouse" covers everything one needs to know to create a scalable data warehouse end to end, including a presentation of the Data Vault modeling technique, which provides the foundations to create a technical data warehouse layer. The book discusses how to build the data warehouse incrementally using the agile Data Vault 2.0 methodology. In addition, readers will learn how to create the input layer (the stage layer) and the presentation layer (data mart) of the Data Vault 2.0 architecture including implementation best practices. Drawing upon years of practical experience and using numerous examples and an easy to understand framework, Dan Linstedt and Michael Olschimke discuss: How to load each layer using SQL Server Integration Services (SSIS), including automation of the Data Vault loading processes. Important data warehouse technologies and practices. Data Quality Services (DQS) and Master Data Services (MDS) in the context of the Data Vault architecture. Provides a complete introduction to data warehousing, applications, and the business context so readers can get-up and running fast Explains theoretical concepts and provides hands-on instruction on how to build and implement a data warehouse Demystifies data vault modeling with beginning, intermediate, and advanced techniques Discusses the advantages of the data vault approach over other techniques, also including the latest updates to Data Vault 2.0 and multiple improvements to Data Vault 1.0

Agile Data Warehouse Design

Dive into the business intelligence features in SharePoint 2013—and use the right combination of tools to deliver compelling solutions. Take control of business intelligence (BI) with the tools offered by SharePoint 2013 and Microsoft SQL Server 2012. Led by a group of BI and SharePoint experts, you'll get step-by-step instructions for understanding how to use these technologies best in specific BI scenarios—whether you're a SharePoint administrator, SQL Server developer, or business analyst. Discover how to: Manage the entire BI lifecycle, from determining key performance indicators to building dashboards Use web-based Microsoft Excel services and publish workbooks on a SharePoint Server Mash up data from multiple sources and create Data Analysis Expressions (DAX) using PowerPivot Create data-driven diagrams that provide interactive processes and context with Microsoft Visio Services Use dashboards, scorecards, reports, and key performance indicators to monitor and analyze your business Use SharePoint to view BI reports side by side, no matter which tools were used to produced them

Methods and Supporting Technologies for Data Analysis

Design, create and manage robust Power BI solutions to gain meaningful business insights Key Features Master all the dashboarding and reporting features of Microsoft Power BI Combine data from multiple sources, create stunning visualizations and publish your reports across multiple platforms A comprehensive guide with real-world use cases and examples demonstrating how you can get the best out of Microsoft Power BI Book Description This book is intended for business intelligence professionals responsible for the design and development of Power BI content as well as managers, architects and administrators who oversee Power BI projects and deployments. The chapters flow from the planning of a Power BI project through the development and distribution of content to the administration of Power BI for an organization. BI developers will learn how to create sustainable and impactful Power BI datasets, reports, and dashboards. This includes connecting to data sources, shaping and enhancing source data, and developing an analytical data model. Additionally, top report and dashboard design practices are described using features such as Bookmarks and the Power KPI visual. BI managers will learn how Power BI's tools work together such as with the On-premises data gateway and how content can be staged and securely distributed via Apps. Additionally, both the Power BI Report Server and Power BI Premium are reviewed. By the end of this book, you will be confident in creating effective charts, tables, reports or dashboards for any kind of data using the tools and techniques in Microsoft PowerBI. What you will learn Build efficient data retrieval and transformation processes with the Power Query M Language Design scalable, user-friendly DirectQuery and Import Data Models Develop visually rich, immersive, and interactive reports and dashboards Maintain version control and stage deployments across development, test, and production environments Manage and monitor the Power BI Service and the On-premises data gateway Develop a fully on-premise solution with the Power BI Report Server Scale up a Power BI solution via Power BI Premium capacity and migration to Azure Analysis Services or SQL Server Analysis Services Who this book is for Business Intelligence professionals and existing Power BI users looking to master Power BI for all their data visualization and dashboarding needs will find this book to be useful. While understanding of the basic BI concepts is required, some exposure to Microsoft Power BI will be helpful.

Delivering Business Intelligence with Microsoft SQL Server 2012 3/E

th CAiSE 2004 was the 16 in the series of International Conferences on Advanced Information Systems Engineering. In the year 2004 the conference was hosted by the Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology, Riga Technical University, Latvia. Since the late 1980s, the CAiSE conferences have provided a forum for the presentation and exchange of research results and practical experiences within the ?eld of Information Systems Engineering. The conference theme of CAiSE 2004 was Knowledge and Model Driven Information Systems Engineering for Networked Organizations. Modern businesses and IT systems are facing an ever more complex en- ronment characterized by openness, variety, and change. Organizations are - coming less self-su?cient and increasingly dependent on business partners and other actors. These trends call for openness of business as well as IT systems, i.e. the ability to connect and interoperate with other systems.

Furthermore, organizations are experiencing ever more variety in their business, in all conceivable dimensions. The different competencies required by the workforce are multiplying. In the same way, the variety in technology is overwhelming with a multitude of languages, platforms, devices, standards, and products. Moreover, organizations need to manage an environment that is constantly changing and where lead times, product life cycles, and partner relationships are shortening. The demand of having to constantly adapt IT to changing technologies and business practices has resulted in the birth of new ideas which may have a profound impact on the information systems engineering practices in future years, such as autonomic computing, component and services marketplaces and dynamically generated software.

Building a Data Warehouse

The definitive guide to dimensional design for your data warehouse Learn the best practices of dimensional design. Star Schema: The Complete Reference offers in-depth coverage of design principles and their underlying rationales. Organized around design concepts and illustrated with detailed examples, this is a step-by-step guidebook for beginners and a comprehensive resource for experts. This all-inclusive volume begins with dimensional design fundamentals and shows how they fit into diverse data warehouse architectures, including those of W.H. Inmon and Ralph Kimball. The book progresses through a series of advanced techniques that help you address real-world complexity, maximize performance, and adapt to the requirements of BI and ETL software products. You are furnished with design tasks and deliverables that can be incorporated into any project, regardless of architecture or methodology. Master the fundamentals of star schema design and slow change processing Identify situations that call for multiple stars or cubes Ensure compatibility across subject areas as your data warehouse grows Accommodate repeating attributes, recursive hierarchies, and poor data quality Support conflicting requirements for historic data Handle variation within a business process and correlation of disparate activities Boost performance using derived schemas and aggregates Learn when it's appropriate to adjust designs for BI and ETL tools

Mastering Data Warehouse Design

Leverage the power of Microsoft Azure Data Factory v2 to build hybrid data solutions Key Features Combine the power of Azure Data Factory v2 and SQL Server Integration Services Design and enhance performance and scalability of a modern ETL hybrid solution Interact with the loaded data in data warehouse and data lake using Power BI Book Description ETL is one of the essential techniques in data processing. Given data is everywhere, ETL will always be the vital process to handle data from different sources. Hands-On Data Warehousing with Azure Data Factory starts with the basic concepts of data warehousing and ETL process. You will learn how Azure Data Factory and SSIS can be used to understand the key components of an ETL solution. You will go through different services offered by Azure that can be used by ADF and SSIS,

such as Azure Data Lake Analytics, Machine Learning and Databrick's Spark with the help of practical examples. You will explore how to design and implement ETL hybrid solutions using different integration services with a step-by-step approach. Once you get to grips with all this, you will use Power BI to interact with data coming from different sources in order to reveal valuable insights. By the end of this book, you will not only learn how to build your own ETL solutions but also address the key challenges that are faced while building them. What you will learn Understand the key components of an ETL solution using Azure Data Factory and Integration Services Design the architecture of a modern ETL hybrid solution Implement ETL solutions for both on-premises and Azure data Improve the performance and scalability of your ETL solution Gain thorough knowledge of new capabilities and features added to Azure Data Factory and Integration Services Who this book is for This book is for you if you are a software professional who develops and implements ETL solutions using Microsoft SQL Server or Azure cloud. It will be an added advantage if you are a software engineer, DW/ETL architect, or ETL developer, and know how to create a new ETL implementation or enhance an existing one with ADF or SSIS.

Microsoft SQL Server 2012 Analysis Services

Backed by Microsoft, "SQL Server 7 Data Warehousing" is a complete reference guide to data warehousing that covers designing, building, managing, and tuning data warehouses, as well as expansive content on the Plato OLAP server. The CD-ROM contains a demo version of SQL Server 7 and other tools from Microsoft.

Hands-On Data Warehousing with Azure Data Factory

Updated new edition of Ralph Kimball's groundbreaking book on dimensional modeling for data warehousing and business intelligence! The first edition of Ralph Kimball's The Data Warehouse Toolkit introduced the industry to dimensional modeling, and now his books are considered the most authoritative guides in this space. This new third edition is a complete library of updated dimensional modeling techniques, the most comprehensive collection ever. It covers new and enhanced star schema dimensional modeling patterns, adds two new chapters on ETL techniques, includes new and expanded business matrices for 12 case studies, and more. Authored by Ralph Kimball and Margy Ross, known worldwide as educators, consultants, and influential thought leaders in data warehousing and business intelligence Begins with fundamental design recommendations and progresses through increasingly complex scenarios Presents unique modeling techniques for business applications such as inventory management, procurement, invoicing, accounting, customer relationship management, big data analytics, and more Draws real-world case studies from a variety of industries, including retail sales, financial services, telecommunications, education, health care, insurance, e-commerce, and more Design dimensional databases that are easy to understand and provide fast query response with The Data Warehouse Toolkit: The Definitive Guide to Dimensional Modeling, 3rd Edition.

Master Data Management in Practice

Cowritten by Ralph Kimball, the world's leading data warehousing authority, whose previous books have sold more than 150,000 copies Delivers real-world solutions for the most time- and labor-intensive portion of data warehousing-data staging, or the extract, transform, load (ETL) process Delineates best practices for extracting data from scattered sources, removing redundant and inaccurate data, transforming the remaining data into correctly formatted data structures, and then loading the end product into the data warehouse Offers proven time-saving ETL techniques, comprehensive guidance on building dimensional structures, and crucial advice on ensuring data quality

Exam Ref 70-767 Implementing a SQL Data Warehouse

In this IBM Redbooks publication we describe and demonstrate dimensional data modeling techniques and technology, specifically focused on business intelligence and data warehousing. It is to help the reader understand how to design, maintain, and use a dimensional model for data warehousing that can provide the data access and performance required for business intelligence. Business intelligence is comprised of a data warehousing infrastructure, and a query, analysis, and reporting environment. Here we focus on the data warehousing infrastructure. But only a specific element of it, the data model - which we consider the base building block of the data warehouse. Or, more precisely, the topic of data modeling and its impact on the business and business applications. The objective is not to provide a treatise on dimensional modeling techniques, but to focus at a more practical level. There is technical content for designing and maintaining such an environment, but also business content. For example, we use case studies to demonstrate how dimensional modeling can impact the business intelligence requirements for your business initiatives. In addition, we provide a detailed discussion on the query aspects of BI and data modeling. For example, we discuss query optimization and how you can determine performance of the data model prior to implementation. You need a solid base for your data warehousing infrastructure . . . a solid data model.

The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit

Cowritten by Ralph Kimball, the world's leading data warehousing authority Delivers real-world solutions for the most time- and labor-intensive portion of data warehousing-data staging, or the extract, transform, load (ETL) process Delineates best practices for extracting data from scattered sources, removing redundant and inaccurate data, transforming the remaining data into correctly formatted data structures, and then loading the end product into the data warehouse Offers proven time-saving ETL techniques, comprehensive guidance on building dimensional structures, and crucial advice on ensuring data quality This book is also available as part of the Kimball's Data Warehouse Toolkit Classics Box Set (ISBN: 9780470479575)

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Star Schema The Complete Reference

The Microsoft Data Warehouse Toolkit

With this textbook, Vaisman and Zimányi deliver excellent coverage of data warehousing and business intelligence technologies ranging from the most basic principles to recent findings and applications. To this end, their work is structured into three parts. Part I describes “Fundamental Concepts” including multi-dimensional models; conceptual and logical data warehouse design and MDX and SQL/OLAP. Subsequently, Part II details “Implementation and Deployment,” which includes physical data warehouse design; data extraction, transformation, and loading (ETL) and data analytics. Lastly, Part III covers “Advanced Topics” such as spatial data warehouses; trajectory data warehouses; semantic technologies in data warehouses and novel technologies like Map Reduce, column-store databases and in-memory databases. As a key characteristic of the book, most of the topics are presented and illustrated using application tools. Specifically, a case study based on the well-known Northwind database illustrates how the concepts presented in the book can be implemented using Microsoft Analysis Services and Pentaho Business Analytics. All chapters are summarized using review questions and exercises to support comprehensive student learning. Supplemental material to assist instructors using this book as a course text is available at <http://cs.ulb.ac.be/DWSDIbook/>, including electronic versions of the figures, solutions to all exercises, and a set of slides accompanying each chapter. Overall, students, practitioners and researchers alike will find this book the most comprehensive reference work on data warehouses, with key topics described in a clear and educational style.

Quick Start Guide to Azure Data Factory, Azure Data Lake Server, and Azure Data Warehouse

Agile Data Warehouse Design is a step-by-step guide for capturing data warehousing/business intelligence (DW/BI) requirements and turning them into high performance dimensional models in the most direct way: by modelstorming (data modeling] brainstorming) with BI stakeholders. This book describes BEAM, an agile approach to dimensional modeling, for improving communication between data warehouse designers, BI stakeholders and the whole DW/BI development team. BEAM provides tools and techniques that will encourage DW/BI designers and developers to move away from their keyboards and entity relationship based tools and model interactively with their colleagues. The result is everyone thinks dimensionally from the outset! Developers understand how to efficiently implement dimensional modeling solutions.

Business stakeholders feel ownership of the data warehouse they have created, and can already imagine how they will use it to answer their business questions. Within this book, you will learn: Agile dimensional modeling using Business Event Analysis & Modeling (BEAM) Modelstorming: data modeling that is quicker, more inclusive, more productive, and frankly more fun! Telling dimensional data stories using the 7Ws (who, what, when, where, how many, why and how) Modeling by example not abstraction; using data story themes, not crow's feet, to describe detail Storyboarding the data warehouse to discover conformed dimensions and plan iterative development Visual modeling: sketching timelines, charts and grids to model complex process measurement - simply Agile design documentation: enhancing star schemas with BEAM dimensional shorthand notation Solving difficult DW/BI performance and usability problems with proven dimensional design patterns LawrenceCorr is a data warehouse designer and educator. As Principal of DecisionOne Consulting, he helps clients to review and simplify their data warehouse designs, and advises vendors on visual data modeling techniques. He regularly teaches agile dimensional modeling courses worldwide and has taught dimensional DW/BI skills to thousands of students. Jim Stagnitto is a data warehouse and master data management architect specializing in the healthcare, financial services, and information service industries. He is the founder of the data warehousing and data mining consulting firm Llumino.

The Microsoft® Data Warehouse Toolkit

An easy-to-follow guide full of hands on examples of real-world Analysis Services cube development tasks. Each topic is explained and placed in context, and for the more inquisitive reader, there also more in-depth details of the concepts used. If you are an Analysis Services cube designer wishing to learn more advanced topic and best practices for cube design, this book is for you. You are expected to have some prior experience with Analysis Services cube development.

Applied Microsoft Business Intelligence

The data warehousing bible updated for the new millennium Updated and expanded to reflect the many technological advances occurring since the previous edition, this latest edition of the data warehousing "bible" provides a comprehensive introduction to building data marts, operational data stores, the Corporate Information Factory, exploration warehouses, and Web-enabled warehouses. Written by the father of the data warehouse concept, the book also reviews the unique requirements for supporting e-business and explores various ways in which the traditional data warehouse can be integrated with new technologies to provide enhanced customer service, sales, and support-both online and offline-including near-line data storage techniques.

Power Pivot and Power BI

Take your first steps to become a fully qualified data analyst by learning how to explore large relational datasets. Key Features Explore a variety of statistical techniques to analyze your data Integrate your SQL pipelines with other analytics technologies Perform advanced analytics such as geospatial and text analysis Book Description Understanding and finding patterns in data has become one of the most important ways to improve business decisions. If you know the basics of SQL, but don't know how to use it to gain business insights from data, this book is for you. SQL for Data Analytics covers everything you need progress from simply knowing basic SQL to telling stories and identifying trends in data. You'll be able to start exploring your data by identifying patterns and unlocking deeper insights. You'll also gain experience working with different types of data in SQL, including time-series, geospatial, and text data. Finally, you'll understand how to become productive with SQL with the help of profiling and automation to gain insights faster. By the end of the book, you'll able to use SQL in everyday business scenarios efficiently and look at data with the critical eye of analytics professional. What you will learn Use SQL to summarize and identify patterns in data Apply special SQL clauses and functions to generate descriptive statistics Use SQL queries and subqueries to prepare data for analysis Perform advanced statistical calculations using the window function Analyze special data types in SQL, including geospatial data and time data Import and export data using a text file and PostgreSQL Debug queries that won't run Optimize queries to improve their performance for faster results Who this book is for If you're a database engineer looking to transition into analytics, or a backend engineer who wants to develop a deeper understanding of production data, you will find this book useful. This book is also ideal for data scientists or business analysts who want to improve their data analytics skills using SQL. Knowledge of basic SQL and database concepts will aid in understanding the concepts covered in this book.

SQL Server 7 Data Warehousing

In this book, authors Dalton Cervo and Mark Allen show you how to implement Master Data Management (MDM) within your business model to create a more quality controlled approach. Focusing on techniques that can improve data quality management, lower data maintenance costs, reduce corporate and compliance risks, and drive increased efficiency in customer data management practices, the book will guide you in successfully managing and maintaining your customer master data. You'll find the expert guidance you need, complete with tables, graphs, and charts, in planning, implementing, and managing MDM.

Expert Cube Development with SSAS Multidimensional Models

Microsoft PowerPivot is a free add-on to Excel from Microsoft that allows users to produce new kinds of reports and analyses that were simply impossible before, and this book is the first to tackle DAX formulas, the core capability of PowerPivot, from the perspective of the Excel audience. Written by the world's foremost PowerPivot blogger and practitioner, the book's

concepts and approach are introduced in a simple, step-by-step manner tailored to the learning style of Excel users everywhere. The techniques presented allow users to produce, in hours or even minutes, results that formerly would have taken entire teams weeks or months to produce. It includes lessons on the difference between calculated columns and measures; how formulas can be reused across reports of completely different shapes; how to merge disjointed sets of data into unified reports; how to make certain columns in a pivot behave as if the pivot were filtered while other columns do not; and how to create time-intelligent calculations in pivot tables such as "Year over Year" and "Moving Averages" whether they use a standard, fiscal, or a complete custom calendar. The "pattern-like" techniques and best practices contained in this book have been developed and refined over two years of onsite training with Excel users around the world, and the key lessons from those seminars costing thousands of dollars per day are now available to within the pages of this easy-to-follow guide. This updated second edition covers new features introduced with Office 2015.

Data Warehouse Systems

Analyze tabular data using the BI Semantic Model (BISM) in SQL Server 2012 Analysis Services--and discover a simpler method for creating corporate-level BI solutions. Led by three BI experts, you'll learn how to build, deploy, and query a BISM tabular model with step-by-step guides, examples, and best practices. This hands-on book shows you how the tabular model's in-memory database enables you to perform rapid analytics--whether you're a professional BI developer new to Analysis Services or already familiar with its multidimensional model --

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