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Corporate Information Factory W. H. Inmon 2002-03-14 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.

The Data Warehouse Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2013-07-01 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.

Data Architecture: A Primer for the Data Scientist W.H. Inmon 2019-04-30 Over the past 5 years, the concept of big data has matured, data science has grown exponentially, and data architecture has become a standard part of organizational decision-making. Throughout all this change, the basic principles that shape the architecture of data have remained the same. There remains a need for people to take a look at the "bigger picture" and to understand where their data fit into the grand scheme of things. *Data Architecture: A Primer for the Data Scientist*, Second Edition addresses the larger architectural picture of how big data fits within the existing information infrastructure or data warehousing systems. This is an essential topic not only for data scientists, analysts, and managers but also for researchers and engineers who increasingly need to deal with large and complex sets of data. Until data are gathered and can be placed into an existing framework or architecture, they cannot be used to their full potential. Drawing upon years of practical experience and using numerous examples and case studies from across various industries, the authors seek to explain this larger picture into which big data fits, giving data scientists the necessary context for how pieces of the puzzle should fit together. New case studies include expanded coverage of textual management and analytics New chapters on visualization and big data Discussion of new visualizations of the end-state architecture

Seven Databases in Seven Weeks Luc Perkins 2018-04-05 Data is getting bigger and more complex by the day, and so are your choices in handling it. Explore some of the most cutting-edge databases available - from a traditional relational database to newer NoSQL approaches - and make informed decisions about challenging data storage problems. This is the only comprehensive guide to the world of NoSQL databases, with in-depth practical and conceptual introductions to seven different technologies: Redis, Neo4J, CouchDB, MongoDB, HBase, Postgres, and DynamoDB. This second edition includes a new chapter on DynamoDB and updated content for each chapter. While relational databases such as MySQL remain as relevant as ever, the alternative,

NoSQL paradigm has opened up new horizons in performance and scalability and changed the way we approach data-centric problems. This book presents the essential concepts behind each database alongside hands-on examples that make each technology come alive. With each database, tackle a real-world problem that highlights the concepts and features that make it shine. Along the way, explore five database models - relational, key/value, columnar, document, and graph - from the perspective of challenges faced by real applications. Learn how MongoDB and CouchDB are strikingly different, make your applications faster with Redis and more connected with Neo4J, build a cluster of HBase servers using cloud services such as Amazon's Elastic MapReduce, and more. This new edition brings a brand new chapter on DynamoDB, updated code samples and exercises, and a more up-to-date account of each database's feature set. Whether you're a programmer building the next big thing, a data scientist seeking solutions to thorny problems, or a technology enthusiast venturing into new territory, you will find something to inspire you in this book. What You Need: You'll need a *nix shell (Mac OS or Linux preferred, Windows users will need Cygwin), Java 6 (or greater), and Ruby 1.8.7 (or greater). Each chapter will list the downloads required for that database.

The Data Warehouse Toolkit Spencer M. Riley 2015-08-19 This updated and expanded second edition of the The Data Warehouse Toolkit: The Definitive Guide to Dimensional Modeling provides a user-friendly introduction to the subject Taking a clear structural framework, it guides the reader through the subject's core elements. A flowing writing style combines with the use of illustrations and diagrams throughout the text to ensure the reader understands even the most complex of concepts. This succinct and enlightening overview is a required reading for all those interested in the subject . We hope you find this book useful in shaping your future career & Business.

The Data Warehouse Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2011-08-08

Learn Data Warehousing in 1 Day Krishna Rungta 2018-02-15 Unlike popular belief, Data Warehouse is not a single tool but a collection of software tools. A data warehouse will collect data from diverse sources into a single database. Using Business Intelligence tools, meaningful insights are drawn from this data. The best thing about "Learn Data Warehousing in 1 Day" is that it is small and can be completed in a day. With this e-book, you will be enough knowledge to contribute and participate in a Data warehouse implementation project. The book covers upcoming and promising technologies like Data Lakes, Data Mart, ELT (Extract Load Transform) amongst others. Following are detailed topics included in the book Table content Chapter 1: What Is Data Warehouse? What is Data Warehouse? Types of Data Warehouse Who needs Data warehouse? Why We Need Data Warehouse? Data Warehouse Tools Chapter 2: Data Warehouse Architecture Characteristics of Data warehouse Data Warehouse Architectures Datawarehouse Components Query Tools Chapter 3: ETL Process What is ETL? Why do you need ETL? ETL Process ETL tools Chapter 4: ETL Vs ELT

What is ETL? Difference between ETL vs. ELT Chapter 5: Data Modeling What is Data Modelling? Types of Data Models Characteristics of a physical data model Chapter 6: OLAP What is Online Analytical Processing? Types of OLAP systems Advantages and Disadvantages of OLAP Chapter 7: Multidimensional Olap (MOLAP) What is MOLAP? MOLAP Architecture MOLAP Tools Chapter 8: OLAP Vs OLTP What is the meaning of OLAP? What is the meaning of OLTP? Difference between OLTP and OLAP Chapter 9: Dimensional Modeling What is Dimensional Model? Elements of Dimensional Data Model Attributes Difference between Dimension table vs. Fact table Steps of Dimensional Modelling Rules for Dimensional Modelling Chapter 10: Star and Snowflake Schema What is Multidimensional schemas? What is a Star Schema? What is a Snowflake Schema? Difference between Start Schema and Snowflake Chapter 11: Data Mart What is Data Mart? Type of Data Mart Steps in Implementing a Datamart Chapter 12: Data Mart Vs Data Warehouse What is Data Warehouse? What is Data Mart? Differences between a Data Warehouse and a Data Mart Chapter 13: Data Lake What is Data Lake? Data Lake Architecture Key Data Lake Concepts Maturity stages of Data Lake Chapter 14: Data Lake Vs Data Warehouse What is Data Warehouse? What is Data Lake? Key Difference between the Data Lake and Data Warehouse Chapter 15: What Is Business Intelligence? What is Business Intelligence Why is BI important? How Business Intelligence systems are implemented? Four types of BI users Chapter 16: Data Mining What is Data Mining? Types of Data Data Mining Process Modelling Data Warehouse Systems Alejandro Vaisman 2022-08-16 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 conceptual and logical data warehouse design, as well as querying using MDX, DAX and SQL/OLAP. This part also covers data analytics using Power BI and Analysis Services. Part II details “Implementation and Deployment,” including physical design, ETL and data warehouse design methodologies. Part III covers “Advanced Topics” and it is almost completely new in this second edition. This part includes chapters with an in-depth coverage of temporal, spatial, and mobility data warehousing. Graph data warehouses are also covered in detail using Neo4j. The last chapter extensively studies big data management and the usage of Hadoop, Spark, distributed, in-memory, columnar, NoSQL and NewSQL database systems, and data lakes in the context of analytical data processing. 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 Power BI. All chapters have been revised and updated to the latest versions of the software tools used. KPIs and Dashboards are now also developed using DAX and Power BI, and the chapter on ETL has

been expanded with the implementation of ETL processes in PostgreSQL. Review questions and exercises complement each chapter to support comprehensive student learning. Supplemental material to assist instructors using this book as a course text is available online and includes 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. "I can only invite you to dive into the contents of the book, feeling certain that once you have completed its reading (or maybe, targeted parts of it), you will join me in expressing our gratitude to Alejandro and Esteban, for providing such a comprehensive textbook for the field of data warehousing in the first place, and for keeping it up to date with the recent developments, in this current second edition." From the foreword by Panos Vassiliadis, University of Ioannina, Greece.

Kimball's Data Warehouse Toolkit Classics Ralph Kimball 2009-04-06 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) with the following 3 books: The Data Warehouse Toolkit, 2nd Edition (9780471200246) The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit, 2nd Edition (9780470149775) The Data Warehouse ETL Toolkit (9780764567575)

DW 2.0: The Architecture for the Next Generation of Data Warehousing W.H. Inmon 2010-07-28 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.

Star Schema The Complete Reference Christopher Adamson 2010-07-22 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

A Manager's Guide to Data Warehousing Laura Reeves 2009-05-26 Aimed at helping business and IT managers clearly communicate with each other, this helpful book addresses concerns straight-on and provides practical methods to building a collaborative data warehouse . You'll get clear explanations of the goals and objectives of each stage of the data warehouse lifecycle while learning the roles that both business managers and technicians play at each stage. Discussions of the most critical decision points for success at each phase of the data warehouse lifecycle help you understand ways in which both business and IT management can make decisions that best meet unified objectives.

Data Warehouse Design Solutions Christopher Adamson 1998-07-13 "Each chapter is... a practice run for the way we all ought to design our data marts and hence our data warehouses."-Ralph Kimball, from the Foreword. Let the experts show you how to customize data warehouse designs for real business needs in **Data Warehouse Design Solutions**. To effectively design a data warehouse, you have to understand its many business uses. This guidebook shows you how business managers in different corporate functions actually use data warehouses to make decisions. You'll get a rich set of data warehouse designs

that flow from realistic business cases. Two top experts show you how to customize your data warehouse designs for real-life business needs including: * Sales and marketing * Production and inventory management * Budgeting and financial reporting * Quality control * Product delivery and fulfillment * Strategic business analysis such as determining market share, rates of return on investment, and other key analytic ratios. CD-ROM includes All sample data warehouse designs with accompanying preformatted reports in HTML for specific business uses such as marketing, sales, and financial analysis.

Building Event-Driven Microservices Adam Bellemare 2020-07-02 Organizations today often struggle to balance business requirements with ever-increasing volumes of data. Additionally, the demand for leveraging large-scale, real-time data is growing rapidly among the most competitive digital industries.

Conventional system architectures may not be up to the task. With this practical guide, you'll learn how to leverage large-scale data usage across the business units in your organization using the principles of event-driven microservices. Author Adam Bellemare takes you through the process of building an event-driven microservice-powered organization. You'll reconsider how data is produced, accessed, and propagated across your organization. Learn powerful yet simple patterns for unlocking the value of this data. Incorporate event-driven design and architectural principles into your own systems. And completely rethink how your organization delivers value by unlocking near-real-time access to data at scale. You'll learn: How to leverage event-driven architectures to deliver exceptional business value The role of microservices in supporting event-driven designs Architectural patterns to ensure success both within and between teams in your organization Application patterns for developing powerful event-driven microservices Components and tooling required to get your microservice ecosystem off the ground

Three Volume Set of Ralph Kimball's Toolkit Books Ralph Kimball 2000-06-01 Ralph Kimball's three data warehousing books, *The Data Warehouse Toolkit*, *The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit*, and *The Data Webhouse Toolkit*, provide you with everything you will need to create, manage, and use your data warehouse. His first book, *The Data Warehouse Toolkit*, is the definitive guide to building a data warehouse. Kimball uses actual case studies of existing data warehouses developed for specific types of business applications such as retail, manufacturing, banking, insurance, subscriptions and airline reservations. Using the techniques learned in Kimball's first book, *The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit* carries them to the larger issues of delivering complete data marts and data warehouses. The book shows you all the practical details involved in planning, designing, developing, deploying, and growing data warehouses. *The Data Webhouse Toolkit* is a groundbreaking guide which introduces the Webhouse, a powerful new way of capturing valuable information flowing into a Web site and ordering it in ways that are useful to managers, strategic decision-

makers, and customers.

The Data Webhouse Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2000-02-03 "Ralph's latest book ushers in the second wave of the Internet. . . . Bottom line, this book provides the insight to help companies combine Internet-based business intelligence with the bounty of customer data generated from the internet."--William Schmarzo, Director World Wide Solutions, Sales, and Marketing, IBM NUMA-Q. Receiving over 100 million hits a day, the most popular commercial Websites have an excellent opportunity to collect valuable customer data that can help create better service and improve sales. Companies can use this information to determine buying habits, provide customers with recommendations on new products, and much more. Unfortunately, many companies fail to take full advantage of this deluge of information because they lack the necessary resources to effectively analyze it. In this groundbreaking guide, data warehousing's bestselling author, Ralph Kimball, introduces readers to the Data Webhouse--the marriage of the data warehouse and the Web. If designed and deployed correctly, the Webhouse can become the linchpin of the modern, customer-focused company, providing competitive information essential to managers and strategic decision makers. In this book, Dr. Kimball explains the key elements of the Webhouse and provides detailed guidelines for designing, building, and managing the Webhouse. The results are a business better positioned to stay healthy and competitive. In this book, you'll learn methods for: - Tracking Website user actions - Determining whether a customer is about to switch to a competitor - Determining whether a particular Web ad is working - Capturing data points about customer behavior - Designing the Website to support Webhousing - Building clickstream datamarts - Designing the Webhouse user interface - Managing and scaling the Webhouse The companion Website at www.wiley.com/compbooks/kimball provides updates on Webhouse technologies and techniques, as well as links to related sites and resources.

Building the Data Warehouse W. H. Inmon 2002-10-01 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.

The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2011-03-08 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.

Being Boss Emily Thompson 2018-04-10 From the creators of the hit podcast comes an interactive self-help guide for creative entrepreneurs, where they share their best tools and tactics on "being boss" in both business and life. Kathleen Shannon and Emily Thompson are self-proclaimed "business besties" and hosts of the top-ranked podcast Being Boss, where they talk shop and share their combined expertise with other creative entrepreneurs. Now they take the best of their from-the-trenches advice, giving you targeted guidance on: The Boss Mindset: how to weed out distractions, cultivate confidence, and tackle "fraudulent feelings" Boss Habits: including a tested method for visually mapping out goals with magical results Boss Money: how to stop freaking out about finances and sell yourself (without shame) With worksheets, checklists, and other real tools for achieving success, here's a guide that will truly help you "be boss" not only at growing your business, but creating a life you love.

Designing Data-Intensive Applications Martin Kleppmann 2017-03-16 Data is at the center of many challenges in system design today. Difficult issues need to be figured out, such as scalability, consistency, reliability, efficiency, and maintainability. In addition, we have an overwhelming variety of tools, including relational databases, NoSQL datastores, stream or batch processors, and message brokers. What are the right choices for your application? How do you make sense of all these buzzwords? In this practical and comprehensive guide, author Martin Kleppmann helps you navigate this diverse landscape by examining the pros and cons of various technologies for processing and storing data. Software keeps changing, but the fundamental principles remain the same. With this book, software engineers and architects will learn how to apply those ideas in practice, and how to make full use of data in modern applications. Peer under the hood of the systems you already use, and learn how to use and operate them more effectively Make informed decisions by identifying the strengths and weaknesses of different tools Navigate the trade-offs around consistency, scalability, fault tolerance, and complexity Understand the

distributed systems research upon which modern databases are built. Peek behind the scenes of major online services, and learn from their architectures.

Data Warehousing in the Age of Big Data Krish Krishnan 2013-05-02

Data Warehousing in the Age of the Big Data will help you and your organization make the most of unstructured data with your existing data warehouse. As Big Data continues to revolutionize how we use data, it doesn't have to create more confusion. Expert author Krish Krishnan helps you make sense of how Big Data fits into the world of data warehousing in clear and concise detail. The book is presented in three distinct parts. Part 1 discusses Big Data, its technologies and use cases from early adopters. Part 2 addresses data warehousing, its shortcomings, and new architecture options, workloads, and integration techniques for Big Data and the data warehouse. Part 3 deals with data governance, data visualization, information life-cycle management, data scientists, and implementing a Big Data-ready data warehouse. Extensive appendixes include case studies from vendor implementations and a special segment on how we can build a healthcare information factory. Ultimately, this book will help you navigate through the complex layers of Big Data and data warehousing while providing you information on how to effectively think about using all these technologies and the architectures to design the next-generation data warehouse. Learn how to leverage Big Data by effectively integrating it into your data warehouse. Includes real-world examples and use cases that clearly demonstrate Hadoop, NoSQL, HBASE, Hive, and other Big Data technologies. Understand how to optimize and tune your current data warehouse infrastructure and integrate newer infrastructure matching data processing workloads and requirements.

The Analytics Lifecycle Toolkit Gregory S. Nelson 2018-03-07

An evidence-based organizational framework for exceptional analytics team results. The Analytics Lifecycle Toolkit provides managers with a practical manual for integrating data management and analytic technologies into their organization. Author Gregory Nelson has encountered hundreds of unique perspectives on analytics optimization from across industries; over the years, successful strategies have proven to share certain practices, skillsets, expertise, and structural traits. In this book, he details the concepts, people and processes that contribute to exemplary results, and shares an organizational framework for analytics team functions and roles. By merging analytic culture with data and technology strategies, this framework creates understanding for analytics leaders and a toolbox for practitioners. Focused on team effectiveness and the design thinking surrounding product creation, the framework is illustrated by real-world case studies to show how effective analytics team leadership works on the ground. Tools and templates include best practices for process improvement, workforce enablement, and leadership support, while guidance includes both conceptual discussion of the analytics life cycle and detailed process descriptions. Readers will be equipped to: Master fundamental concepts and

practices of the analytics life cycle Understand the knowledge domains and best practices for each stage Delve into the details of analytical team processes and process optimization Utilize a robust toolkit designed to support analytic team effectiveness The analytics life cycle includes a diverse set of considerations involving the people, processes, culture, data, and technology, and managers needing stellar analytics performance must understand their unique role in the process of winnowing the big picture down to meaningful action. The Analytics Lifecycle Toolkit provides expert perspective and much-needed insight to managers, while providing practitioners with a new set of tools for optimizing results.

Agile Data Warehouse Design Lawrence Corr 2011-04-16 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 Lawrence Corr 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.

Database Design for Mere Mortals Michael James Hernandez 2003 "This book takes the somewhat daunting process of database design and breaks it into completely manageable and understandable components. Mike's approach whilst simple is completely professional, and I can recommend this book to any novice database designer." --Sandra Barker, Lecturer, University of South Australia, Australia "Databases are a critical infrastructure technology for information systems and today's business. Mike Hernandez has written a literate explanation of database technology--a topic that is intricate and often obscure. If you design databases yourself, this book will educate you about pitfalls and show you what to do. If you purchase products that use a database, the book explains the technology so that you can understand what the vendor is doing and assess their products better." --Michael Blaha, consultant and trainer, author of A Manager's Guide to Database Technology "If you told me that Mike Hernandez could improve on the first edition of Database Design for Mere Mortals I wouldn't have believed you, but he did! The second edition is packed with more real-world examples, detailed explanations, and even includes database-design tools on the CD-ROM! This is a must-read for anyone who is even remotely interested in relational database design, from the individual who is called upon occasionally to create a useful tool at work, to the seasoned professional who wants to brush up on the fundamentals. Simply put, if you want to do it right, read this book!" --Matt Greer, Process Control Development, The Dow Chemical Company "Mike's approach to database design is totally common-sense based, yet he's adhered to all the rules of good relational database design. I use Mike's books in my starter database-design class, and I recommend his books to anyone who's interested in learning how to design databases or how to write SQL queries." --Michelle Poolet, President, MVDS, Inc. "Slapping together sophisticated applications with poorly designed data will hurt you just as much now as when Mike wrote his first edition, perhaps even more. Whether you're just getting started developing with data or are a seasoned pro; whether you've read Mike's previous book or this is your first; whether you're happier letting someone else design your data or you love doing it yourself--this is the book for you. Mike's ability to explain these concepts in a way that's not only clear, but fun, continues to amaze me." --From the Foreword by Ken Getz, MCW Technologies, coauthor ASP.NET Developer's JumpStart "The first edition of Mike Hernandez's book Database Design for Mere Mortals was one of the few books that survived the cut when I moved my office to smaller quarters. The second edition expands and improves on the original in so many ways. It is not only a good, clear read, but contains a remarkable quantity of clear, concise thinking on a very complex subject. It's a must for anyone interested in the subject of database design." --Malcolm C. Rubel, Performance Dynamics Associates "Mike's excellent guide to relational database design deserves a second edition. His book is an essential tool for fledgling Microsoft Access and

other desktop database developers, as well as for client/server pros. I recommend it highly to all my readers." --Roger Jennings, author of Special Edition Using Access 2002 "There are no silver bullets! Database technology has advanced dramatically, the newest crop of database servers perform operations faster than anyone could have imagined six years ago, but none of these technological advances will help fix a bad database design, or capture data that you forgot to include! Database Design for Mere Mortals(TM), Second Edition, helps you design your database right in the first place!" --Matt Nunn, Product Manager, SQL Server, Microsoft Corporation "When my brother started his professional career as a developer, I gave him Mike's book to help him understand database concepts and make real-world application of database technology. When I need a refresher on the finer points of database design, this is the book I pick up. I do not think that there is a better testimony to the value of a book than that it gets used. For this reason I have wholeheartedly recommended to my peers and students that they utilize this book in their day-to-day development tasks." --Chris Kunicki, Senior Consultant, OfficeZealot.com "Mike has always had an incredible knack for taking the most complex topics, breaking them down, and explaining them so that anyone can 'get it.' He has honed and polished his first very, very good edition and made it even better. If you're just starting out building database applications, this book is a must-read cover to cover. Expert designers will find Mike's approach fresh and enlightening and a source of great material for training others." --John Viescas, President, Viescas Consulting, Inc., author of Running Microsoft Access 2000 and coauthor of SQL Queries for Mere Mortals "Whether you need to learn about relational database design in general, design a relational database, understand relational database terminology, or learn best practices for implementing a relational database, Database Design for Mere Mortals(TM), Second Edition, is an indispensable book that you'll refer to often. With his many years of real-world experience designing relational databases, Michael shows you how to analyze and improve existing databases, implement keys, define table relationships and business rules, and create data views, resulting in data integrity, uniform access to data, and reduced data-entry errors." --Paul Cornell, Site Editor, MSDN Office Developer Center Sound database design can save hours of development time and ensure functionality and reliability. Database Design for Mere Mortals(TM), Second Edition, is a straightforward, platform-independent tutorial on the basic principles of relational database design. It provides a commonsense design methodology for developing databases that work. Database design expert Michael J. Hernandez has expanded his best-selling first edition, maintaining its hands-on approach and accessibility while updating its coverage and including even more examples and illustrations. This edition features a CD-ROM that includes diagrams of sample databases, as well as design guidelines, documentation forms, and examples of the database design process. This book will give you the knowledge and tools you need to create efficient and effective

relational databases.

The Anarchist Cookbook William Powell 2018-03-11 The Anarchist Cookbook will shock, it will disturb, it will provoke. It places in historical perspective an era when "Turn on, Burn down, Blow up" are revolutionary slogans of the day. Says the author "This book... is not written for the members of fringe political groups, such as the Weatherman, or The Minutemen. Those radical groups don't need this book. They already know everything that's in here. If the real people of America, the silent majority, are going to survive, they must educate themselves. That is the purpose of this book." In what the author considers a survival guide, there is explicit information on the uses and effects of drugs, ranging from pot to heroin to peanuts. There is detailed advice concerning electronics, sabotage, and surveillance, with data on everything from bugs to scramblers. There is a comprehensive chapter on natural, non-lethal, and lethal weapons, running the gamut from cattle prods to sub-machine guns to bows and arrows.

Data Warehousing Fundamentals Paulraj Ponniah 2004-04-07 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, data preparation, information delivery, implementation, and maintenance. They'll also find a wealth of industry examples garnered from the author's 25 years of experience in designing and implementing databases and data warehouse applications for major corporations. Market: IT Professionals, Consultants.

Analyzing Data with Power BI and Power Pivot for Excel Alberto Ferrari 2017-04-28 Renowned DAX experts Alberto Ferrari and Marco Russo teach you how to design data models for maximum efficiency and effectiveness. How can you use Excel and Power BI to gain real insights into your information? As you examine your data, how do you write a formula that provides the numbers you need? The answers to both of these questions lie with the data model. This book introduces the basic techniques for shaping data models in Excel and Power BI. It's meant for readers who are new to data modeling as well as for experienced data modelers looking for tips from the experts. If you want to use Power BI or Excel to analyze data, the many real-world examples in this book will help you look at your reports in a different way—like experienced data modelers do. As you'll soon see, with the right data model, the correct answer is always a simple one! By reading this book, you will:

- Gain an understanding of the basics of data modeling, including tables, relationships, and keys
- Familiarize yourself with star schemas, snowflakes, and common modeling techniques
- Learn the importance of granularity
- Discover how to use multiple fact tables, like sales and purchases, in a complex data model
- Manage calendar-related calculations by using date tables
- Track historical attributes, like previous addresses of customers or manager assignments
- Use snapshots to compute quantity on hand
- Work with multiple currencies in the most efficient way
- Analyze events

that have durations, including overlapping durations • Learn what data model you need to answer your specific business questions About This Book • For Excel and Power BI users who want to exploit the full power of their favorite tools • For BI professionals seeking new ideas for modeling data

Mastering Data Warehouse Aggregates Christopher Adamson 2012-06-27 This is the first book to provide in-depth coverage of star schema aggregates used in dimensional modeling—from selection and design, to loading and usage, to specific tasks and deliverables for implementation projects Covers the principles of aggregate schema design and the pros and cons of various types of commercial solutions for navigating and building aggregates Discusses how to include aggregates in data warehouse development projects that focus on incremental development, iterative builds, and early data loads

The Data Warehouse Toolkit - The Complete Guide to Dimensional Modeling
Ralph Kimball 2004

T-SQL in One Hour a Day, Sams Teach Yourself Alison Balter 2015-10-16 Master T-SQL database design, development, and administration the easy way—hands-on! In just one hour a day, you'll build all the skills you need to create effective database applications with T-SQL and SQL Server. With this complete tutorial, you'll quickly master the basics and then move on to more advanced features and concepts: Learn the fundamentals of T-SQL from the ground up, one step at a time Succeed with the newest versions of T-SQL, SQL Server, and SQL Server Management Studio Use T-SQL effectively as both an application developer and DBA Master powerful stored procedures, triggers, transactions, and user-defined functions (UDFs) Systematically optimize and secure your SQL Server databases Learn on your own time, at your own pace No previous T-SQL or database programming experience required Learn how to design efficient, reliable SQL Server databases Define efficient tables, table relationships, fields, and constraints Make the most of T-SQL's SELECT and UPDATE statements Work effectively with simple and complex views and joins Master stored procedure techniques every developer should know Build and use powerful User-Defined Functions (UDFs) Secure databases with authentication, roles, permissions, and principals Configure, maintain, and tune SQL Server for maximum reliability, performance, and value Back up, restore, and audit databases Optimize databases with the SQL Server Profiler, System Monitor, and Index Tuning Wizard Leverage valuable insight and time saving techniques from a world renowned database expert Register your book at informit.com/register for access to source code, example files, updates, and corrections as they become available.

The Data Warehouse Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2002 This new edition enhances, extends, and clarifies the concepts and examples presented in the first edition. Topics have been restructured to coherently develop the data warehouse architecture.

The Kimball Group Reader Ralph Kimball 2010-03-11 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.

Clickstream Data Warehousing Mark Sweiger 2002-01-22 The first, step-by-step guide to building Web-enabled data warehouses The Web can be an incredibly rich source of customer data, and right now companies across industry sectors are hustling to get up and running with data warehouses capable of capturing the clickstream data from their Web sites. This allows companies to track exactly where a customer is going, or "clicking to," on their site in order to gain meaningful information about that customer's preferences. Following Ralph Kimball's *The Data Webhouse Toolkit* (0-471-37680-9) where he provides the blueprint, Clickstream Data Warehousing fills developers in on all the technical details that go into building a Web-enabled data warehouse. The authors review all key architectural and design issues that developers need to masterfully build a Webhouse using examples to illustrate key points. Companion Web site features code examples from the book and links to related Web sites.

The Data Warehouse ETL Toolkit Ralph Kimball 2011-04-27 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

Kimball's Data Warehouse Toolkit Classics Ralph Kimball 2014-02-24 Three books by the bestselling authors on Data Warehousing! The most authoritative guides from the inventor of the technique all for a value price. The Data Warehouse Toolkit, 3rd Edition (9781118530801) Ralph Kimball invented a data warehousing technique called "dimensional modeling" and popularized it in his

first Wiley book, *The Data Warehouse Toolkit*. Since this book was first published in 1996, dimensional modeling has become the most widely accepted technique for data warehouse design. Over the past 10 years, Kimball has improved on his earlier techniques and created many new ones. In this 3rd edition, he will provide a comprehensive collection of all of these techniques, from basic to advanced. *The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit, 2nd Edition (9780470149775)* Complete coverage of best practices from data warehouse project inception through on-going program management. Updates industry best practices to be in sync with current recommendations of Kimball Group. Streamlines the lifecycle methodology to be more efficient and user-friendly *The Data Warehouse ETL Toolkit (9780764567575)* shows data warehouse developers how to effectively manage the ETL (Extract, Transform, Load) phase of the data warehouse development lifecycle. The authors show developers the best methods for extracting data from scattered sources throughout the enterprise, removing obsolete, redundant, and inaccurate data, transforming the remaining data into correctly formatted data structures, and then physically loading them into the data warehouse. This book provides complete coverage of proven, time-saving ETL techniques. It begins with a quick overview of ETL fundamentals and the role of the ETL development team. It then quickly moves into an overview of the ETL data structures, both relational and dimensional. The authors show how to build useful dimensional structures, providing practical examples of beginning through advanced techniques.

Mastering Data Warehouse Design Claudia Imhoff 2003-08-19 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

Data Pipelines Pocket Reference James Densmore 2021-02-10 Data pipelines are the foundation for success in data analytics. Moving data from numerous diverse sources and transforming it to provide context is the difference between having data and actually gaining value from it. This pocket reference defines data pipelines and explains how they work in today's modern data stack. You'll learn common considerations and key decision points when implementing pipelines, such as batch versus streaming data ingestion and build versus buy. This book addresses the most common decisions made by data professionals and discusses foundational concepts that apply to open source frameworks, commercial products, and homegrown solutions. You'll learn: What a data pipeline is and how it works How data is moved and processed on modern data

infrastructure, including cloud platforms Common tools and products used by data engineers to build pipelines How pipelines support analytics and reporting needs Considerations for pipeline maintenance, testing, and alerting Building the Data Lakehouse Bill Inmon 2021-10 The data lakehouse is the next generation of the data warehouse and data lake, designed to meet today's complex and ever-changing analytics, machine learning, and data science requirements. Learn about the features and architecture of the data lakehouse, along with its powerful analytical infrastructure. Appreciate how the universal common connector blends structured, textual, analog, and IoT data. Maintain the lakehouse for future generations through Data Lakehouse Housekeeping and Data Future-proofing. Know how to incorporate the lakehouse into an existing data governance strategy. Incorporate data catalogs, data lineage tools, and open source software into your architecture to ensure your data scientists, analysts, and end users live happily ever after.

The Unified Star Schema: An Agile and Resilient Approach to Data Warehouse and Analytics Design Bill Inmon 2020-10-03 Master the most agile and resilient design for building analytics applications: the Unified Star Schema (USS) approach. The USS has many benefits over traditional dimensional modeling. Witness the power of the USS as a single star schema that serves as a foundation for all present and future business requirements of your organization. Data warehouse legend Bill Inmon and business intelligence innovator, Francesco Puppini, explain step-by-step why the Unified Star Schema is the recommended approach for business intelligence designs today, and show through many examples how to build and use this new solution. This book contains two parts. Part I, Architecture, explains the benefits of data marts and data warehouses, covering how organizations progressed to their current state of analytics, and to the challenges that result from current business intelligence architectures. Chapter 1 covers the drivers behind and the characteristics of the data warehouse and data mart. Chapter 2 introduces dimensional modeling concepts, including fact tables, dimensions, star joins, and snowflakes. Chapter 3 recalls the evolution of the data mart. Chapter 4 explains Extract, Transform, and Load (ETL), and the value ETL brings to reporting. Chapter 5 explores the Integrated Data Mart Approach, and Chapter 6 explains how to monitor this environment. Chapter 7 describes the different types of metadata within the data warehouse environment. Chapter 8 progresses through the evolution to our current modern data warehouse environment. Part II, the Unified Star Schema, covers the Unified Star Schema (USS) approach and how it solves the challenges introduced in Part I. There are eight chapters within Part II: · Chapter 9, Introduction to the Unified Star Schema: Learn about its architecture and use cases, as well as how the USS approach differs from the traditional approach. · Chapter 10, Loss of Data: Learn about the loss of data and the USS Bridge. Understand that the USS approach does not create any join, and for this reason, it has no loss of data. · Chapter 11, The Fan Trap: Get introduced to the

Oriented Data Model convention, and learn the dangers of a fan trap through an example. Differentiate join and association, and realize that an “in-memory association” is the preferred solution to the fan trap. · Chapter 12, The Chasm Trap: Become familiar with the Cartesian product, and then follow along with an example based on LinkedIn, which illustrates that a chasm trap produces unwanted duplicates. See that the USS Bridge is based on a union, which does not create any duplicates. · Chapter 13, Multi-Fact Queries: Distinguish between multiple facts “with direct connection” versus multiple facts “with no direct connection”. Explore how BI tools are capable of building aggregated virtual rows. · Chapter 14, Loops: Learn more about loops and five traditional techniques to solve them. Follow along with an implementation, which will illustrate the solution based on the USS approach. · Chapter 15, Non-Conformed Granularities: Learn about non-conformed granularities, and learn that the Unified Star Schema introduces a solution called “re-normalization”. · Chapter 16, Northwind Case Study. Witness how easy it is to detect the pitfalls of Northwind using the ODM convention. Follow along with an implementation of the USS approach on the Northwind database with various BI tools.

Building a Scalable Data Warehouse with Data Vault 2.0 Dan Linstedt 2015-09-15 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

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