Oracle 12.2 Analytic Views:

Worth A Look

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About You ...

- Oracle Technology ?
- OLAP Users?
- APEX Users ?
- Why Are You Here?

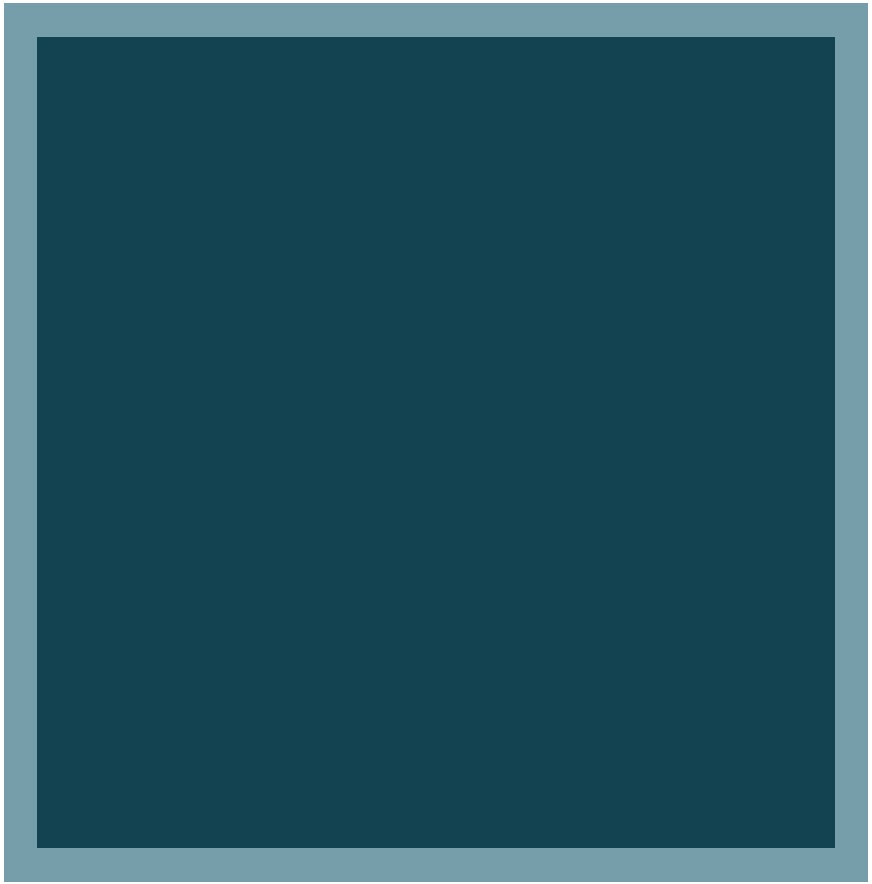
Analytics ...

Agenda

- What
- How … to Build
- How … to Query
- Who ~ Why ~ When ~Where to Use
- Wrap-up
  - Questions ~ Discussion

Analytic Views:

What ?



Analytic Views

- Oracle 12.2
  - No Cost Feature
- Like a View
  - Metadata (Do Not Store Data)
  - Query via SQL
  - Access Data from Other Objects
  - Join Multiple Tables

Analytical Views

Better than a View:

- Organize – "Model" - Data into Dimensions, Hierarchies
- Automatically Aggregates
- Include Embedded Calculations (MEASURES)
- Include Presentation Metadata

Analytic Views

- "Hierarchical / Dimensional Model Over the Dimension and Fact Tables of a Star Schema ..."
- Best Performance
  - Star Schema, In Memory
  - W MViews, MViews In Memory

Analytic Views

- Simplify SQL for Analytic Queries
  - No Joins, No GROUP BYs
- Define Calculations w/in Analytic View
  - Aggregates ~ Calculations ~ Ranks ~ Forecasts
- Reuse Calculations from the Analytic View

Make Dimensional, Hierarchical Analyses More Accessible

➔➔➔ Simpler, Faster Development

Analytic Views

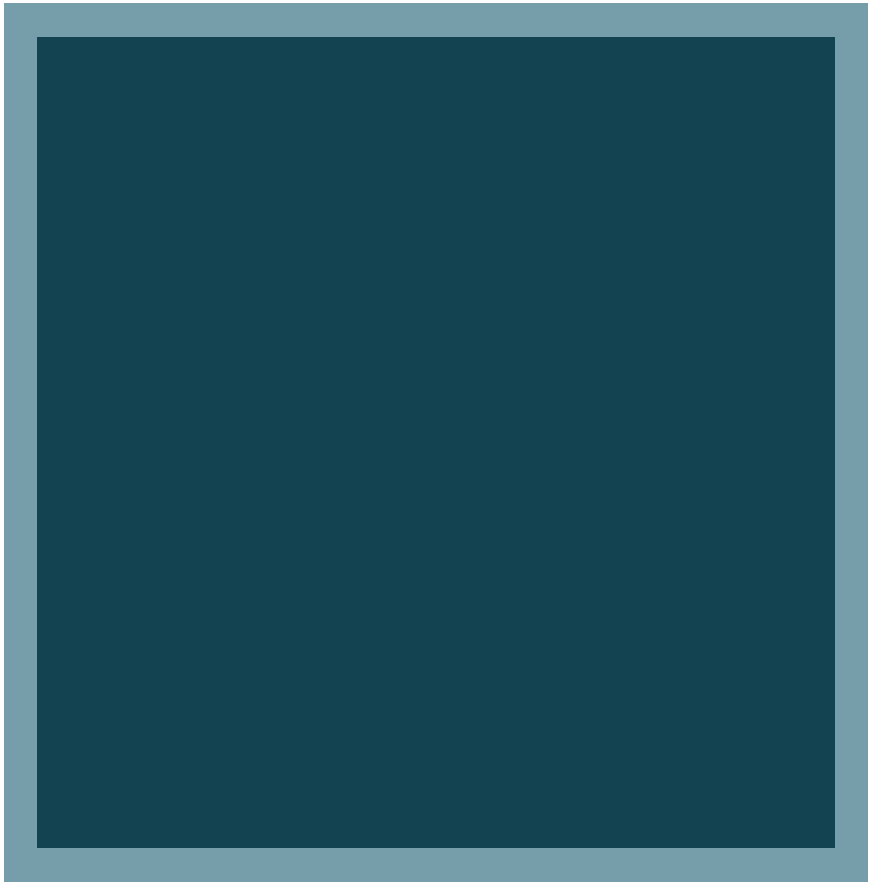
- "Move business logic into the DB ..."
- Transform Data into a "Business Model and Presentation Layer"
- Organize Data for Common Analysis Queries
  - Year/Month/Day, Country, Region, State
  - Simple and Fast.

– A mere mortal can do it!

Analytic Views:

How to Build

Attr Dimensions
Hierarchies
Analytic Views



System Privileges

- CREATE ANALYTIC VIEW
- CREATE ANY ANALYTIC VIEW
- ALTER ANY ANALYTIC VIEW
- DROP ANY ANALYTIC VIEW

- CREATE ATTRIBUTE DIMENSION
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- CREATE HIERARCHY
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Object Privileges

- SELECT - Query
- READ - Query
- ALTER - Rename

Ex:

```
GRANT ALL ON AV_USER.SALES_AV TO AV_USER2;

GRANT ALTER ON AV_USER.SALES_AV TO AV_USER3;
```

Diagram here

- Dimensions

Hierarchies of Dimension

Analytic View that contains Measures based on the Hierarchies

– Faster Access to common (Defined) analytical agfregations, and

– Simpler query construction (c/o the complexity is on the AV where the calcs are defined)

Attribute Dimensions

- SH Time
- Base calendar yr query
- Base fiscal yr query
- These will be combined into one attr dimension

Sample Time Attr Dimension

```
CREATE OR REPLACE ATTRIBUTE DIMENSION sh_times_attr_dim
USING sh.times
ATTRIBUTES
(time_id,
 calendar_month_desc,
 end_of_cal_month,
 calendar_quarter_desc,
 end_of_cal_quarter,
 calendar_year,
 end_of_cal_year,
 fiscal_month_desc,
 end_of_fis_month,
 fiscal_quarter_desc,
 end_of_fis_quarter,
 fiscal_year,
 end_of_fis_year
  )
 LEVEL day
   KEY time_id
   MEMBER NAME to_char(time_id)
   MEMBER CAPTION to_char(time_id)
   MEMBER DESCRIPTION to_char(time_id)
   ORDER BY time_id
   DETERMINES(calendar_month_desc,fiscal_month_desc)
 LEVEL calendar_month
  KEY calendar_month_desc
  MEMBER NAME calendar_month_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION calendar_month_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION calendar_month_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_cal_month
  DETERMINES(calendar_quarter_desc)
```

```
 LEVEL calendar_quarter
  KEY calendar_quarter_desc
  MEMBER NAME calendar_quarter_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION calendar_quarter_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION calendar_quarter_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_cal_quarter
  DETERMINES(calendar_year)
 LEVEL calendar_year
  KEY calendar_year
  MEMBER NAME TO_CHAR(calendar_year)
  MEMBER CAPTION TO_CHAR(calendar_year)
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION TO_CHAR(calendar_year)
 LEVEL fiscal_month
  KEY fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER NAME fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION fiscal_month_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_month
  DETERMINES(fiscal_quarter_desc)
 LEVEL fiscal_quarter
  KEY fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER NAME fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION fiscal_quarter_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_quarter
  DETERMINES(fiscal_year)
 LEVEL fiscal_year
  KEY fiscal_year
  MEMBER NAME TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  MEMBER CAPTION TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_year
 ALL MEMBER NAME 'ALL YEARS';
```

Now Add CLASSIFICATION

```
CREATE OR REPLACE ATTRIBUTE DIMENSION sh_times_attr_dim
 CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Time'
 CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Time'
USING sh.times
ATTRIBUTES
(time_id
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Day'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Day',
 calendar_month_desc
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Calendar Month'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Calendar Month',
 end_of_cal_month
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'End of Calendar Month'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'End of Calendar Month',
 calendar_quarter_desc
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Calendar Quarte
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Calendar Qua
 end_of_cal_quarter
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'End of Calendar Q
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'End of Calend
```

Now Add CLASSIFICATION ...

```
LEVEL fiscal_month
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Fiscal Month'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Fiscal Month'
  KEY fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER NAME fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION fiscal_month_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION fiscal_month_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_month
  DETERMINES(fiscal_quarter_desc)
LEVEL fiscal_quarter
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Fiscal Quarter'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Fiscal Quarter'
  KEY fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER NAME fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER CAPTION fiscal_quarter_desc
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION fiscal_quarter_desc
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_quarter
  DETERMINES(fiscal_year)
LEVEL fiscal_year
  CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Fiscal Year'
  CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Fiscal Year'
  KEY fiscal_year
  MEMBER NAME TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  MEMBER CAPTION TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  MEMBER DESCRIPTION TO_CHAR(fiscal_year)
  ORDER BY end_of_fis_year
```

Hierarchies

- Reference an Attribute Dimension
- Attribute Values are queried from Hierarchies …

SH Hierarchies

- Time
- Products
- Customers
- Channels
- Promotion

```
-- simple hierarchy - fiscal time

CREATE OR REPLACE HIERARCHY sh_products_hier

CREATE OR REPLACE HIERARCHY sh_channels_hier

CREATE OR REPLACE HIERARCHY sh_promotions_hier
 CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Promotions'
 CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Promotions'
USING sh_promotions_attr_dim
 (promotion CHILD OF
  subcategory CHILD OF
  category);
```

Analytic Views

- Layer on Top of Star Schema using Attr Dims and Hierarchies
- Fact Data Included in AV
- Calculations Built Into the AV
- Metadata Built Into the AV

Analytic View DDL Format

```
CREATE OR REPLACE ANALYTIC VIEW <name>
 <classification caption and description>

USING <fact table>

DIMENSION BY ( <list of dimension refs> )

HIERARCHIES ( <list of hierarchy references> )

MEASURES ( <list of measures> )

 DEFAULT MEASURE … ;
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE ANALYTIC VIEW sh_sales_history_av
 CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Sales History (SH Sample Schema)'
 CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Sales History by Time, Product, Customer, Channel and Promotion'
 -- This AV references the SALES fact table.
USING sh.sales
-- This is where hierarchies are joined into the analytic view.
DIMENSION BY
 (
  sh_times_attr_dim KEY time_id REFERENCES time_id HIERARCHIES (sh_times_calendar_hier DEFAULT, sh_times_fiscal_hier),
  sh_products_attr_dim KEY prod_id REFERENCES prod_id HIERARCHIES (sh_products_hier DEFAULT),
  sh_customers_attr_dim KEY cust_id REFERENCES cust_id HIERARCHIES (sh_customers_hier DEFAULT),
  sh_channels_attr_dim KEY channel_id REFERENCES channel_id HIERARCHIES (sh_channels_hier DEFAULT),
  sh_promotions_attr_dim KEY promo_id REFERENCES promo_id HIERARCHIES (sh_promotions_hier DEFAULT)
 )
MEASURES (
  -- Amount sold maps to the fact table.
  amount_sold FACT amount_sold
    CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Amount Sold'
    CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Amount Sold'
    CLASSIFICATION format_string VALUE '999,999,999,999.99',
  -- Quantity sold maps to the fact table.
  quantity_sold FACT quantity_sold
    CLASSIFICATION caption VALUE 'Quantity Sold'
    CLASSIFICATION description VALUE 'Quantity Sold'
    CLASSIFICATION format_string VALUE '999,999,999,999'
 )
DEFAULT MEASURE amount_sold;
```

Analytic View – Parts Recap

- USING – fact table – where to start
- DIMENSION BY – What Dimensions Queries on the AV Will Use
- HIERARCHY – Which Hierarchies Queries Will Use
- MEASURES – Calculations: Sum, LEAD, LAG, Combinations – What Calculations Are Needed
- CLASSIFICATION – Metadata / Documentation
  - Usually On AV and Measures

Measures – Time Series

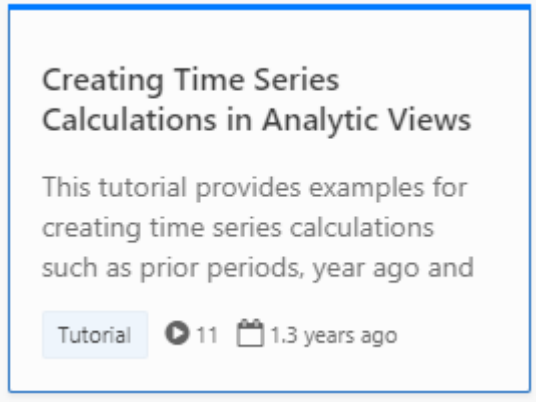
```
LAG 1 … ACROSS ANCESTOR AT LEVEL YEAR
```

Previous Year

```
AVG(sales) … BETWEEN 11 PRECEDING AND CURRENT MEMBER
```

12 Month Period

See LiveSQL
Creating Time Series Calculations Views

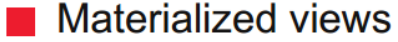


CLASSIFICATIONS

- Metadata
  - Dimensions – Hierarchies – Avs – Members – Attributes - Measures
- Caption
- Description
- Format_string
- Shortcut Syntax for caption and description

AVs w Materialized Views

- Query Rewrite on MVs == Performance Gain
- CACHE



Query rewrite on materialized views very useful method to gain performance
Syntax supports making analytic view aware of such materialized views

```
create or replace analytic view sales_av
using sales_fact
dimension by (    ((dimension clauses))  )
measures      (    ((measure clauses))    )
default measure       amount
default aggregate by sum
cache    measure group all
         levels (date_mth_qtr_yr_hier.month        ) materialized
         levels (date_wk_yr_hier.week              ) materialized
         levels (date_mth_season_hier.mthofyr      ) materialized
         levels (item_category_hier.category       ) materialized
         levels (customer_group_hier.custgroup     ) materialized
         levels (customer_state_country_hier.state) materialized
;
```

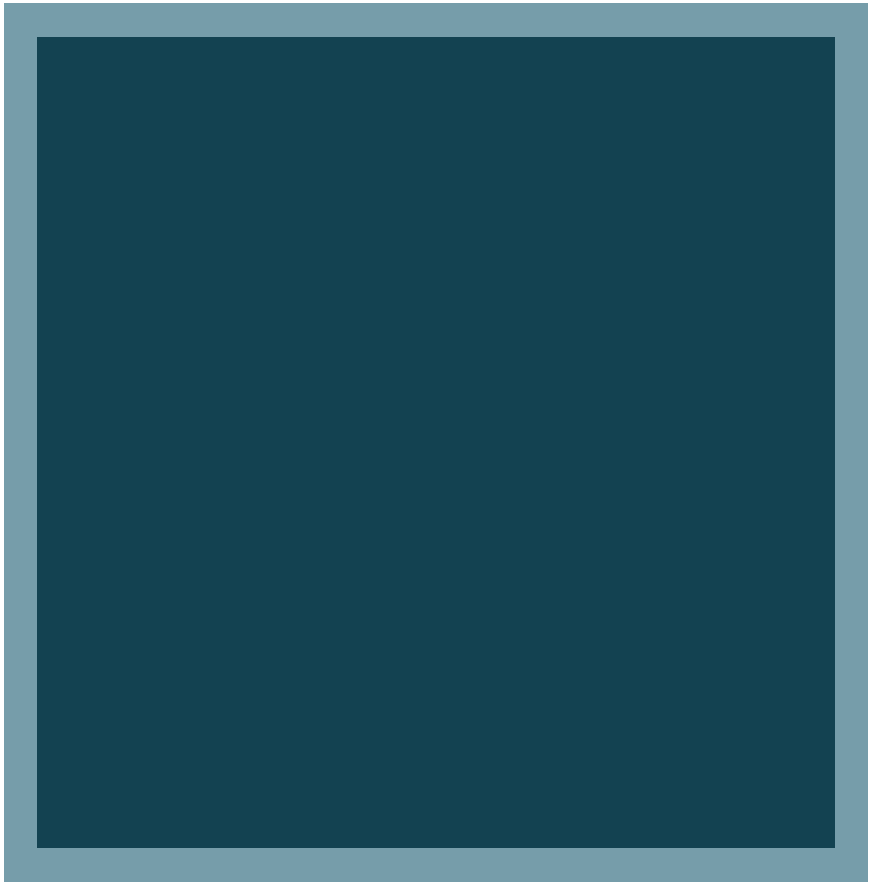
The materialized views must exist in order for the view and SQL to take advantage of them

Validating Analytic Views

- DBMS_HIERARCHY

Analytic Views:

How to Query



Queries Against Analytic Views

- Simple
- Add Calculated Measures
- Combine Fact and Calculated Measure

Query Analytic View - Simple

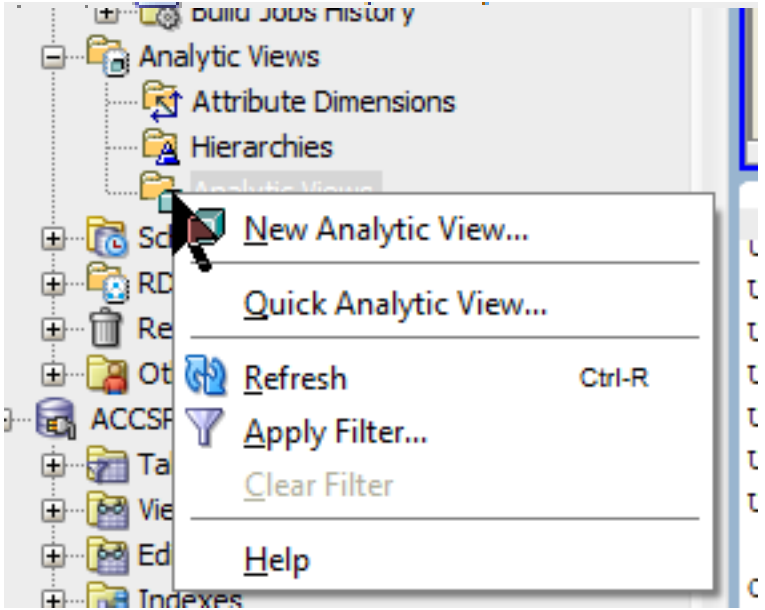
Query AV – + Calculated Measure

Query AV – Fact + Calculated

SQL Developer Quick-Start

- SQL Dev 18.1
- Oracle 12.2

Try It!



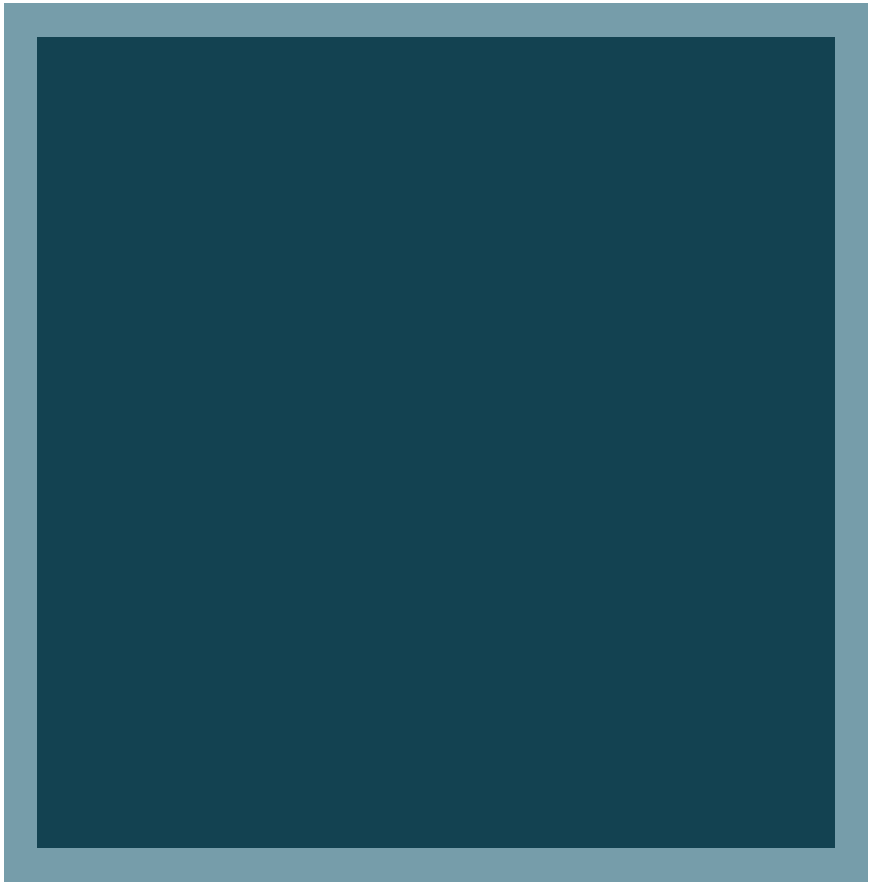
Application Containers

"...an application-specific CDB w/in a CDB."

- Can Grant Analytic View Access to Application Container

Analytic Views:

Why ~ When ~ Where



Use Analytic Views For ...

- BI Reporting Systems
- Data Visualization
- Data Analysts
- "BI Lite"

Any Dimensional, Hierarchical Queries

BI Lite Demo

Quick Demo – "BI Lite" In APEX

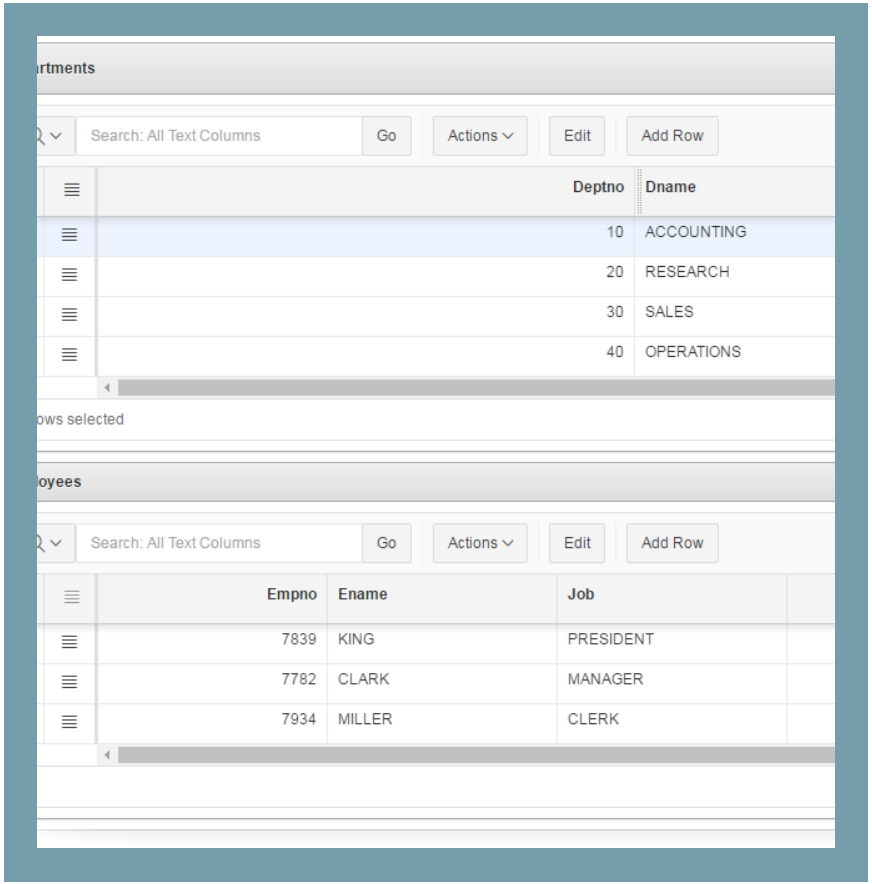
Transitioning to Your Data

- KNOW YOUR DATA
- PLAN
  - Star Schema
  - Dimensions
  - Hierarchies
- Let SQL Dev Help
- Test, Timing, Test, Test

Analytic Views: Wrapup

Questions

Discussion



Analytic Views

- Simpler SQL for Analytic Queries
- Best Performance Gain over Star Schema, In Memory
- SQL Dev QuickStart
- Faster Route to Data Viz, "BI-Lite" Implementations

Comments? Questions? Thank You

Evaluations Please!

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Resources

- Analytic Views LiveSQL Demos

  https://livesql.oracle.com/apex/livesql/file/tutorial_EDVE861IID1QUD1NIUPU5ALEW.html

- Analytic Views in SH Sample Schema

  https://livesql.oracle.com/apex/livesql/file/tutorial_EDVE861IJ168OTUP6ZZ01MX84.html

- Analytic View Support in SQL Developer

  https://www.thatjeffsmith.com/archive/2017/03/oracle-database-12c-release-2-analytic-views-sql-developer/

- Using Analytic Views

  http://www.oracle.com/webfolder/technetwork/tutorials/obe/db/12c/r2/AnalyticViews/UsingAVs.html#overview

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