SSAS - Tabular Model

Classroom or online training course 2 day course outline

This course covers the following topics (any items marked with a * will be covered if time allows):

Visual Studio basics

- Visual Studio windows
- Setting startup options
- Creating a project

Connecting to SQL Server

- Creating and using connections
- Filtering rows and columns

Creating a data model

- Hiding from client tools
- Renaming tables/columns
- How column storage works
- How processing works

Relationships

- Diagram view
- Creating relationships

Excel pivot tables

- Analysing data in Excel
- Connecting from Excel
- Using Excel pivot tables

Power BI Desktop overview (*)

- Importing from SSAS
- Basic visualisations
- How publishing works

Other data sources

- Linking to Excel
- Pasting in data

Calculated columns

- Using IF and SWITCH
- BLANK arithmetic
- Linking tables using RELATED

Measures

- Creating measures
- SUMX, AVERAGEX, etc.

Changing query context

- The CALCULATE function
- Using FILTER

Prototyping using PowerPivot

- Using PowerPivot
- Importing PowerPivot models into SSAS
- Constraints

Calendars

- Creating a calendar table
- Using multiple calendars

Date calculations

- Working days
- · Period to date
- Prior and parallel periods
- Semi-additive measures

Hierarchies

- · Creating a hierarchy
- Viewing hierarchies

KPIs

- The parts of a KPI
- · Absolute and relative measures
- Creating and viewing KPIs

Perspectives

- · Creating perspectives
- Using in Excel

Security (*)

- How security works
- Creating roles
- · Filtering rows by role

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