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# Microsoft Power BI

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# Agenda

- What is Business Intelligence (BI)?
- The workplace of the future
- How does BI Help?
- Overview of Power BI
- The future of Business Intelligence

Strong industry leaders should not bemoan the loss of traditional workplace models.

Instead, they should bristle with excitement at new opportunities awaiting those capable of envisioning broader vistas of possibilities that will unveil through the upending of nowbroken business patterns.

- Forbes, Feb 19, 2021





# Overview of BI

What does it all mean?





# What is Business Intelligence?

- We're all collecting LOTS of data, every minute, from all over the place.
- But how many organisations have easy access to insights from that data to help them make better business decisions?
- BI is the process of transforming collected data into actionable business insights.
- Good BI Tools provide up to the minute, easy-to-digest insights about an organization's past and present states, as well as current trends.





# It's all been broken!

- It has been 18 months since Covid-19 drastically forced changes in workplace habits and methods.
- In many ways, the old workplace model has been broken.
- Organisations have had to embrace a 'work from anywhere' culture.
- Staff now need to be moved from a 'task focus' to an 'outcome focus'.
- The good news ...
  - One aspect of your operations remains stable and has the potential to help
  - Your data and any BI practices you have developed





# How can a BI system help?

- Business Intelligence can provide 'outcome performance' feedback and keep your 'outcome focused' staff on track.
- Business Intelligence dashboards and reports can be accessed securely from anywhere staff are working.
- Save time and frustration by keeping people updated and provide a solid anchor that your staff can depend upon for consistency and guidance.





# So why aren't we all doing it?

- There are lots of systems out there that deliver various parts of the requirements.
- Some are older legacy systems that can't be easily extended and don't really cut it in the modern business world.
- Most are expensive and often require specialist consultants to create and maintain them.
- Microsoft Power BI has started to become a technology 'disruptor' because it's relatively cheap, easy to set up and intuitive to use.

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# SelectHub 2021 Scorecard

- Advanced Analytics
- Augmented Analytics
- Dashboarding and Data Visualization
- Data Management
- Data Querying
- Embedded Analytics
- Geospatial Visualizations
   and Analysis

- Internet of Things (IoT) Analytics
- Mobile BI
- Platform Functions
- Reporting
- Availability & Scalability
- Data Sources Connectivity
- Deployment Options
- Extensibility

- OS Support
- Security
- License Type
- Professional Services and Maintenance
- Training
- User Support
- Vendor Information

2021 Scorecard Rated against these factors









### A good BI System needs to be able to ...

- Facilitate integrating many different types of data sources
- Transform Data Storage structures (can be complex) into a simpler structure (model) for Data Analysis
- Enhance the Data Analysis model by adding calculations and creating performance measures which are identified as needed by decision makers
- Easily create reports that look good, are easy to interpret and make sense
- Allow secure sharing and integration with internal systems
- Ideally, allow report consumers to serve themselves rather than running back to designers





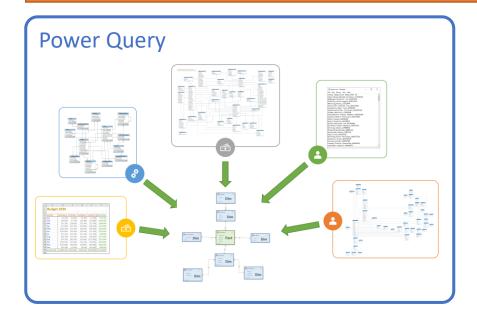
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How does Microsoft Power BI do all of this?

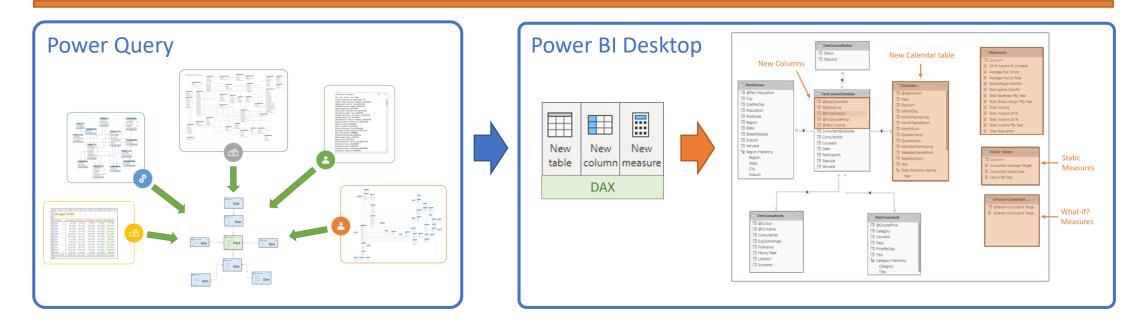




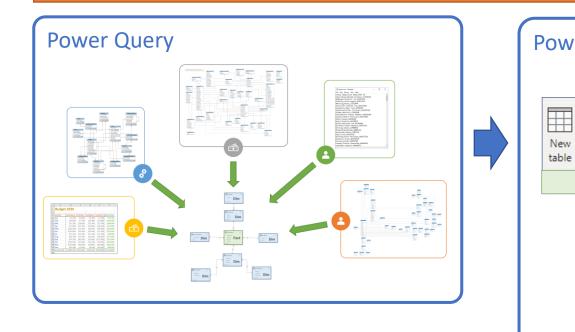
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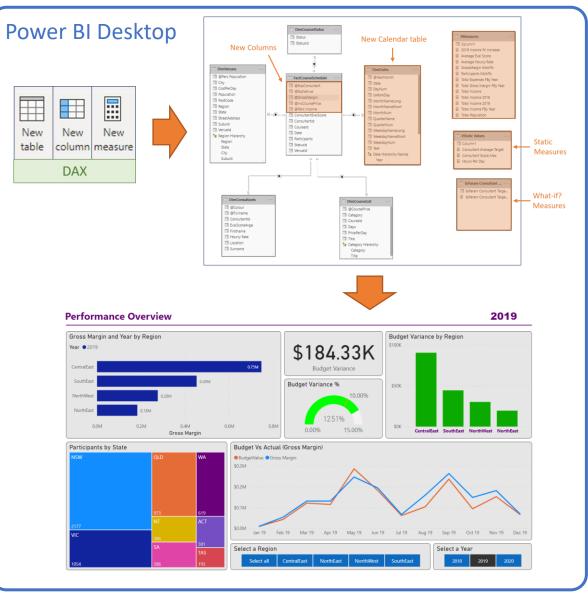


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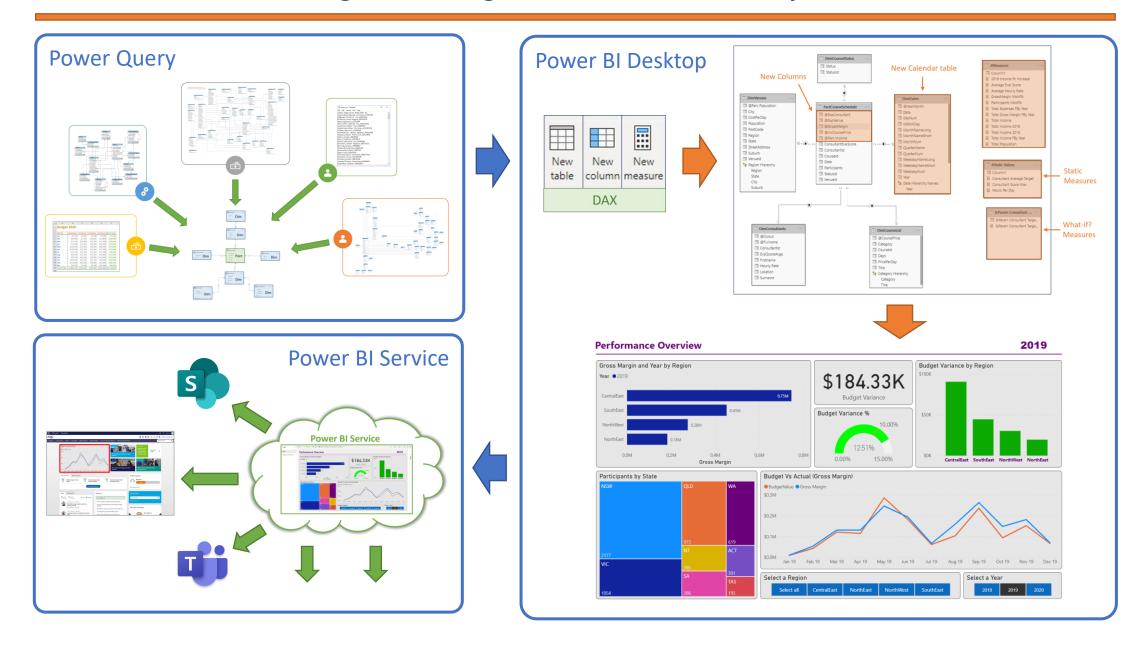


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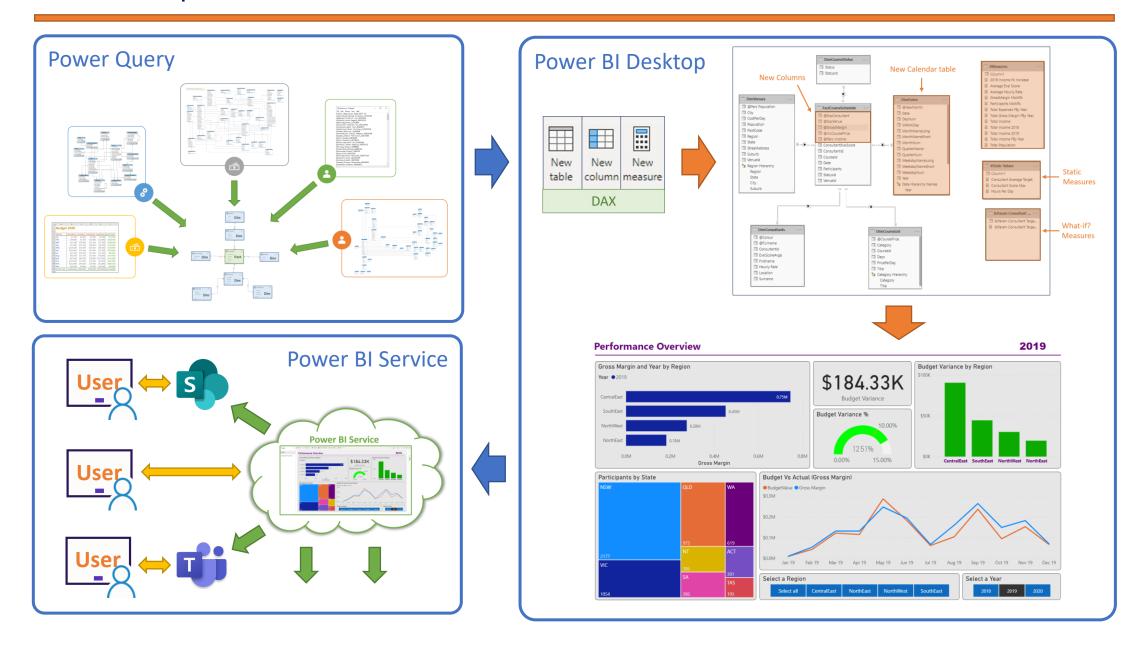




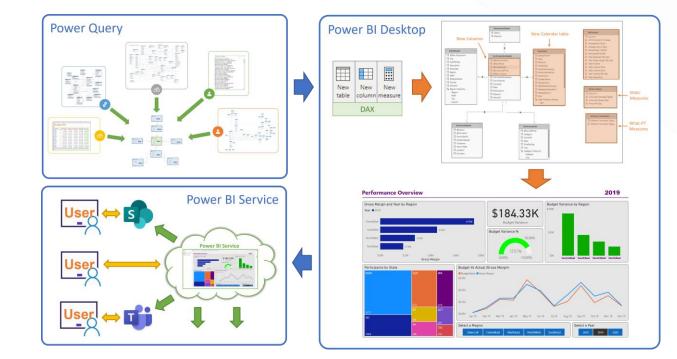
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#### 5. Allow report consumers to 'serve themselves'



### Let's break that down a bit ...

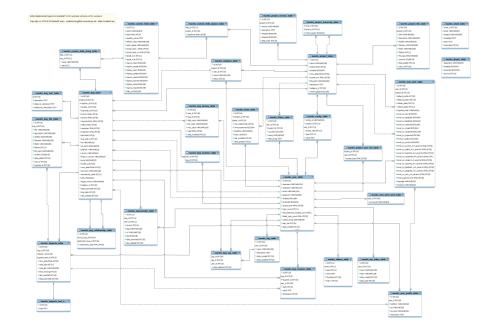






# **Storage Vs Analysis Structure**

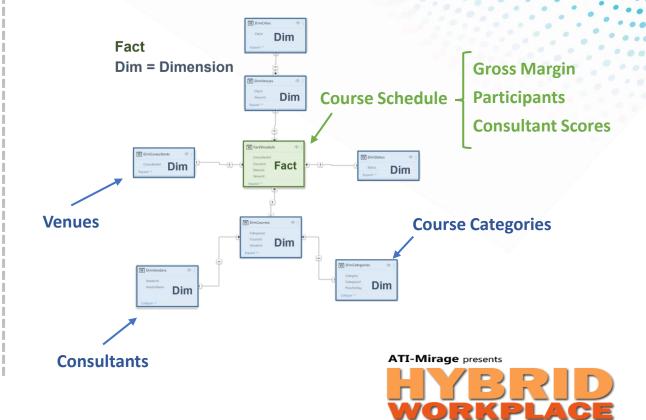
#### Data Storage Efficient for storing data but horrible for analysis





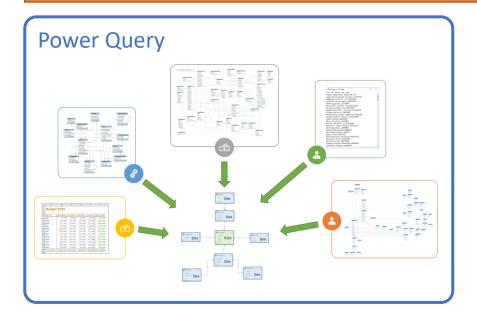
#### Data Analysis

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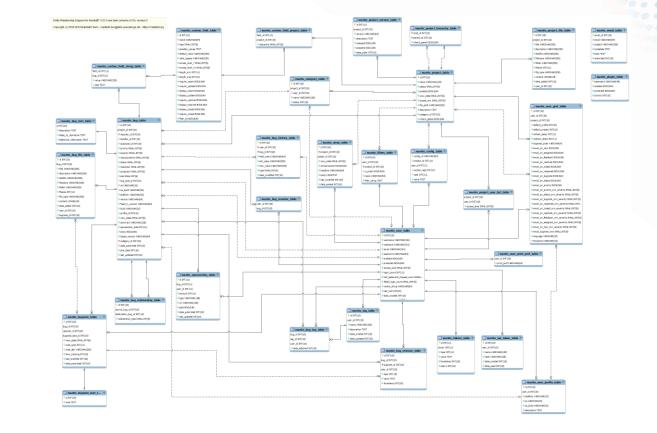


# **Integrating many Data Sources**







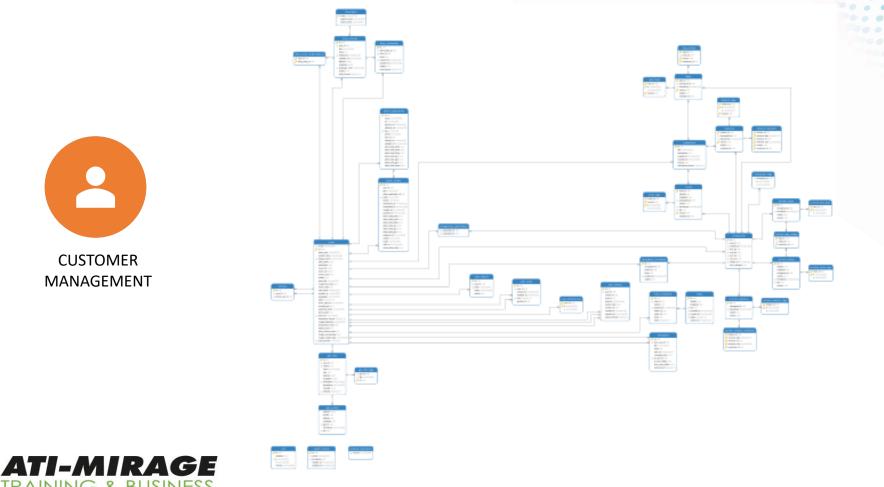






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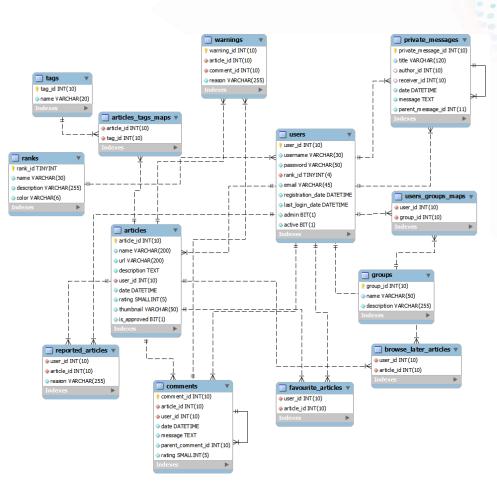






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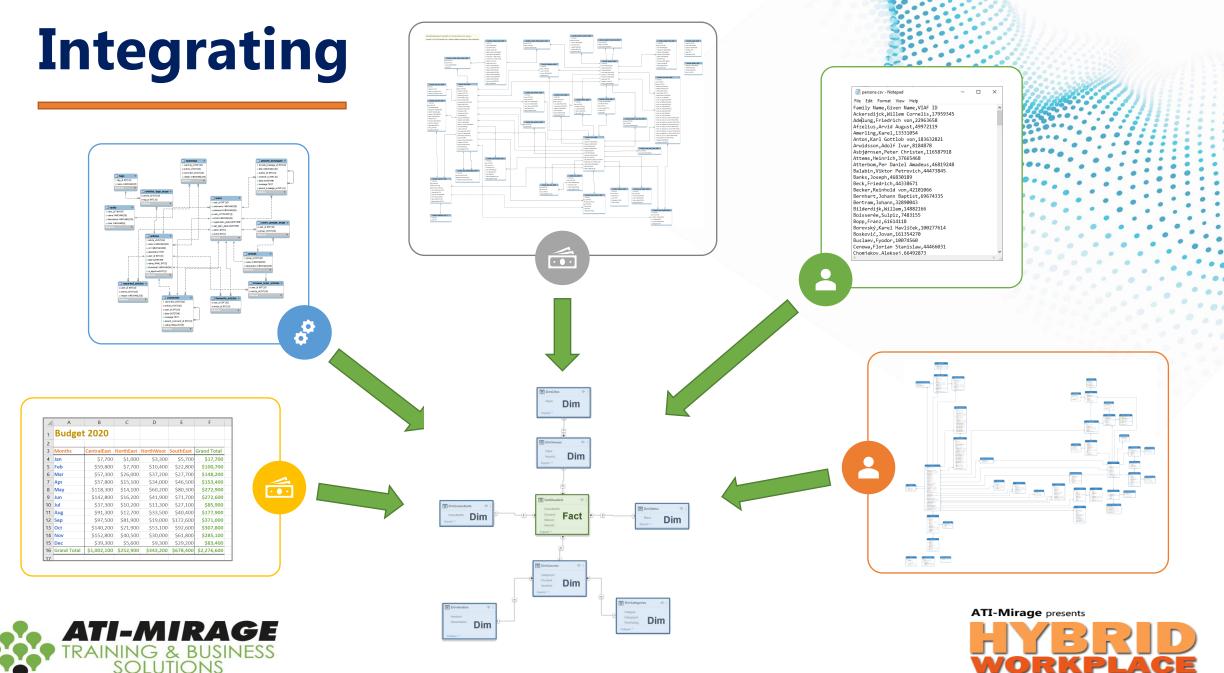
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6	Mar	\$57,300	\$26,000	\$37,200	\$27,700	\$148,200
7	Apr	\$57,800	\$15,100	\$34,000	\$46,500	\$153,400
8	May	\$118,300	\$14,100	\$60,200	\$80,300	\$272,900
9	Jun	\$142,800	\$16,200	\$41,900	\$71,700	\$272,600
10	Jul	\$37,300	\$10,200	\$11,300	\$27,100	\$85,900
11	Aug	\$91,300	\$12,700	\$33,500	\$40,400	\$177,900
12	Sep	\$97,500	\$81,900	\$19,000	\$172,600	\$371,000
13	Oct	\$140,200	\$21,900	\$53,100	\$92,600	\$307,800
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# **Transforming Data Sources**

- 1. Use (or hire) a specialised database team:
  - Experts in Database Schemas and Structure Query Language (SQL)
  - Create a Data Warehouse to house the model (complex using SQL)
- 2. Train up a <u>semi-technical</u> person to use **Power Query** 
  - Relatively easy to use Microsoft ribbons interface
  - No advanced programming skills required (although you can do this too)
  - Create and automates the transformation steps
  - When data changes: one button push to refresh





### **Power Query** ...

#### Load into the Model

#### Use the tool buttons to transform your tables

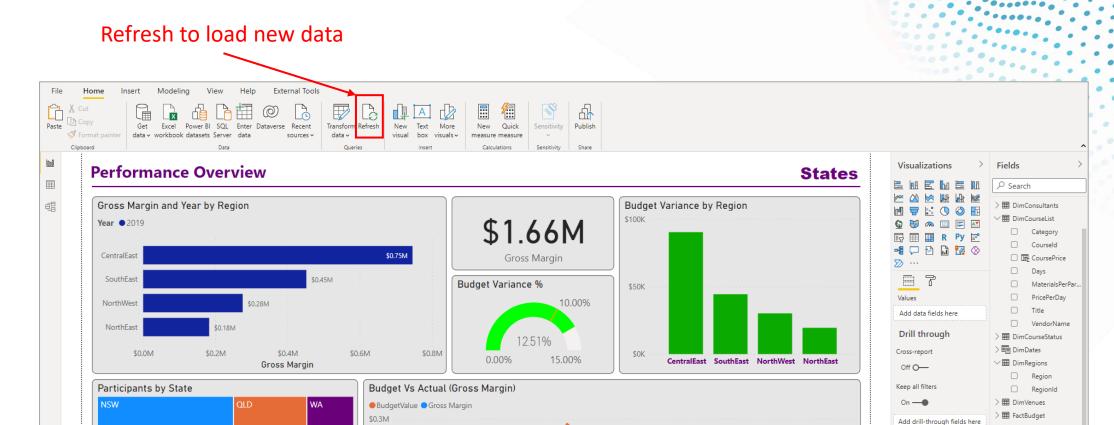
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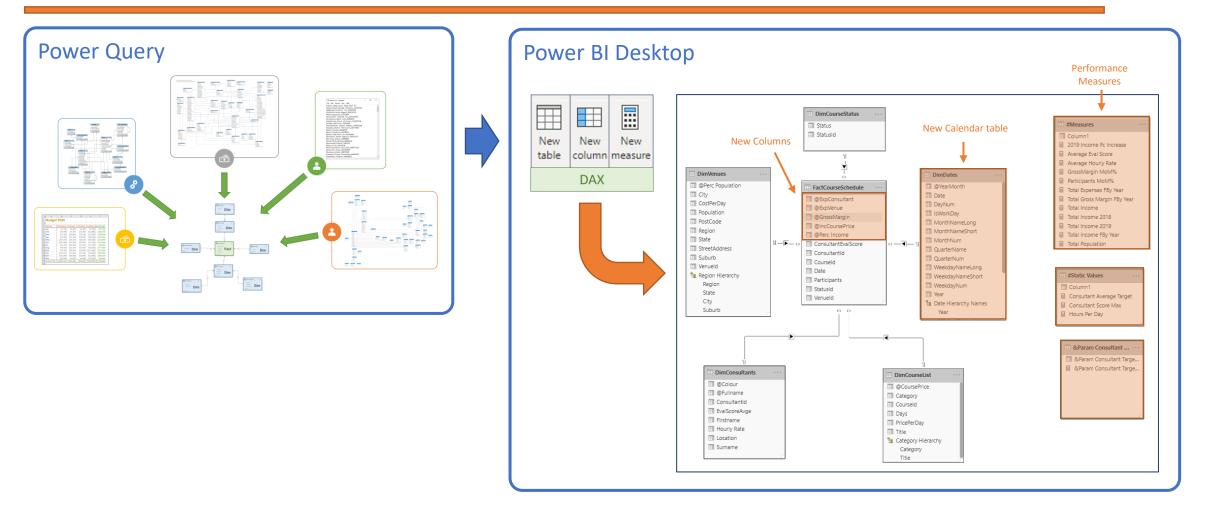
### **Power BI Desktop**







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# **Data Analysis Expressions (DAX)**

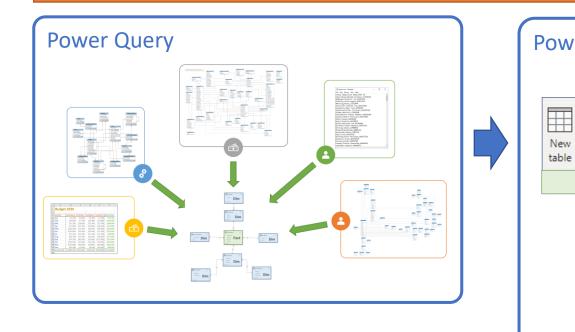
- Excel-like language, focused on working with an Analysis Model
- DAX can be used to:
  - Create new calculated columns in an existing table
  - Create an entirely new table
  - Create complex performance measures accessing the entire model

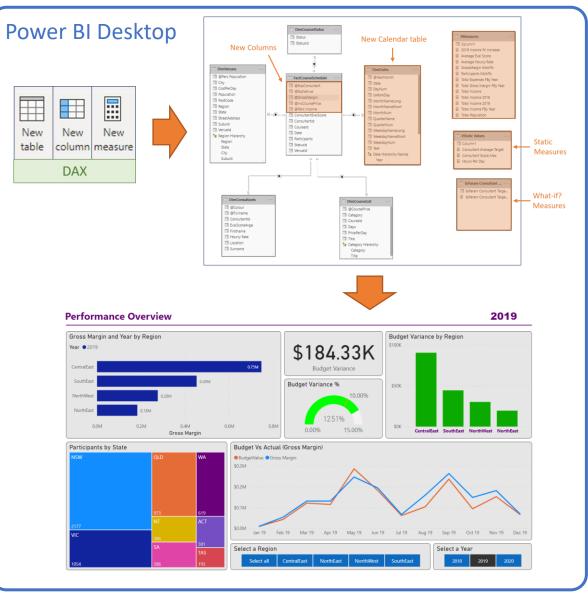
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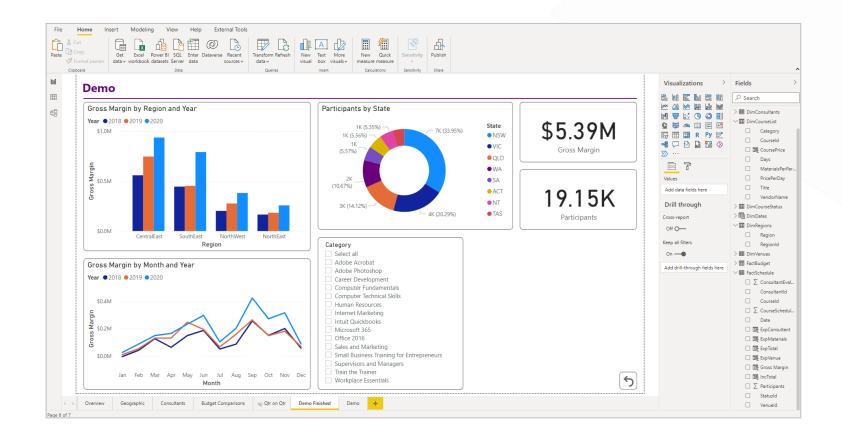


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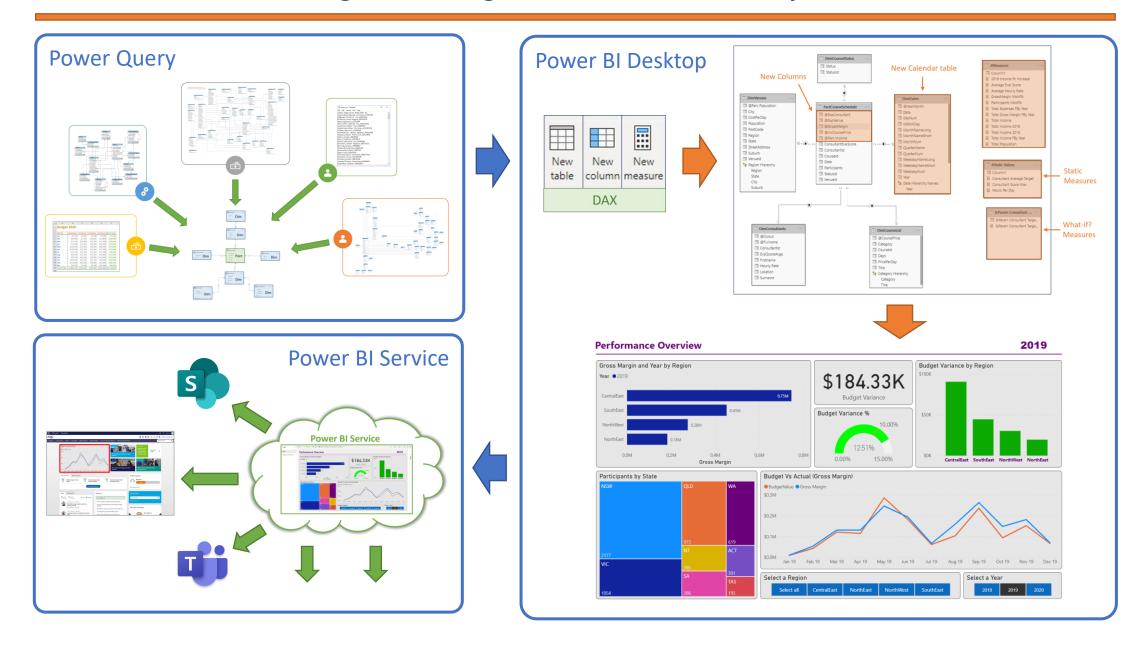
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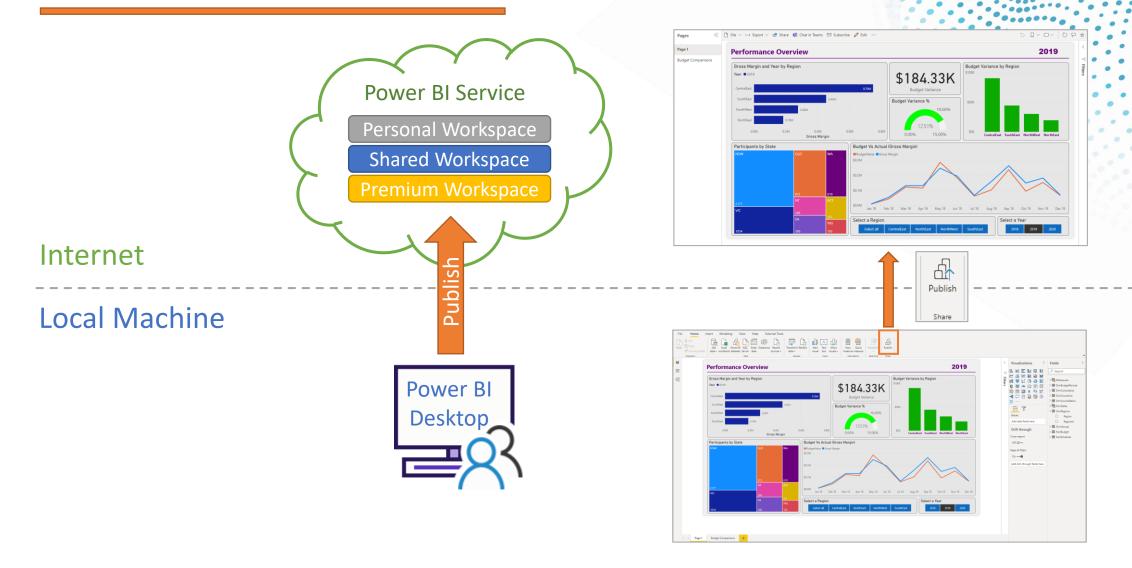


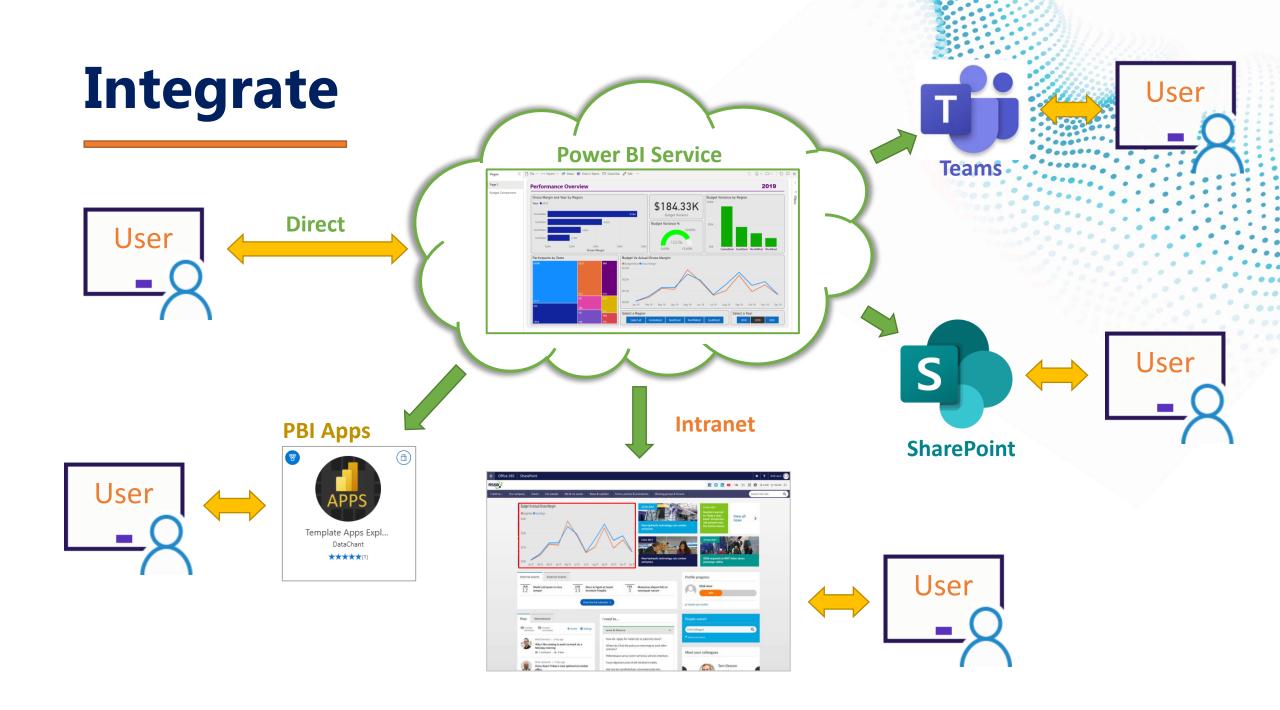


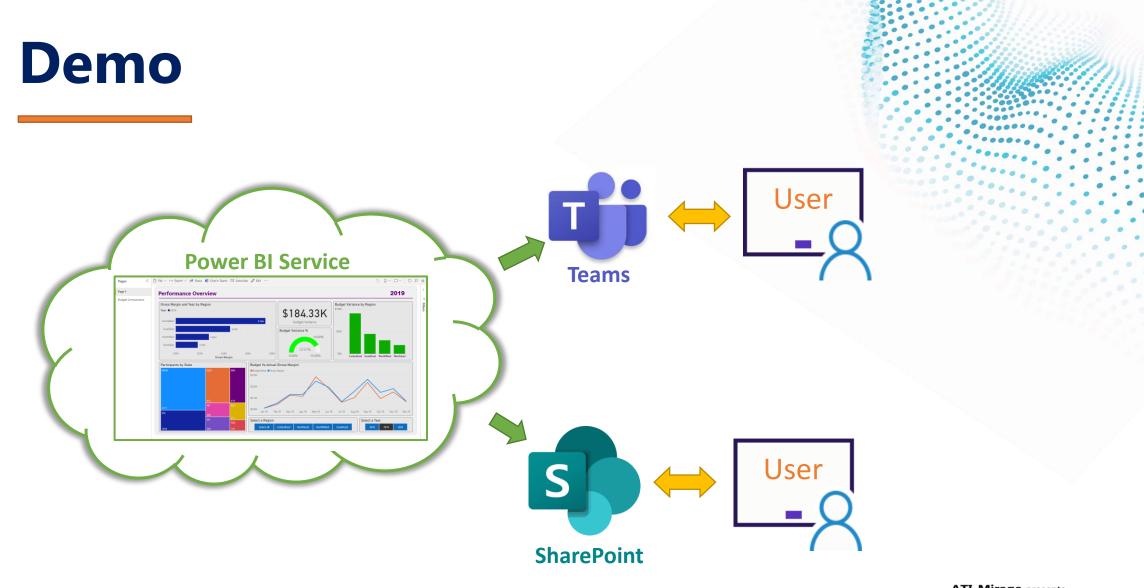
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# **Sharing Reports**



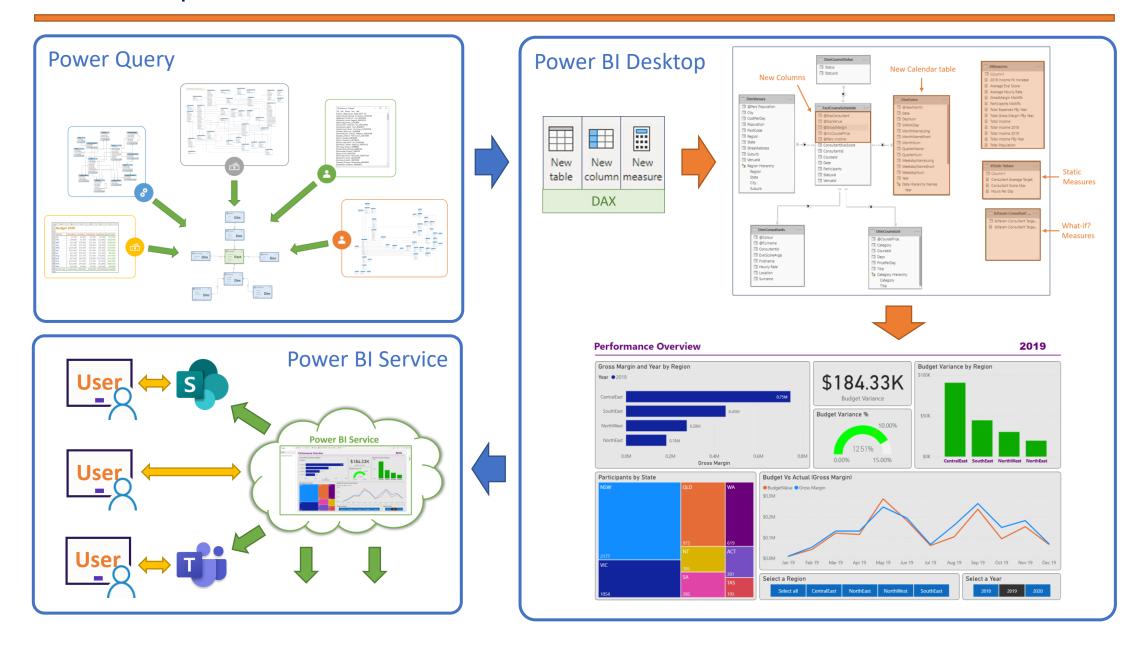








#### 5. Allow report consumers to 'serve themselves'



# **Self-Service**

Consumers (managers and decision makers) can:

- Interact with, and change the reports as they need to
- Get the figures and measures they want without having to go back to designers
- Can control level depending on the skill level of the Consumers

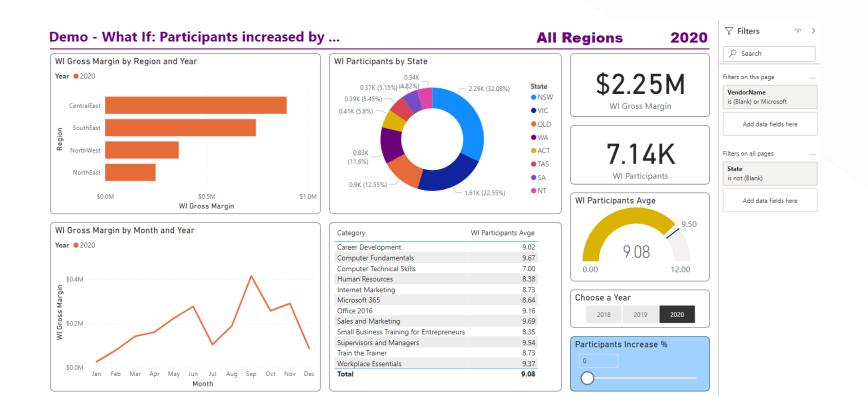
### Some examples in Power BI:

- Hover over Tooltips
- Interactions between visuals
- Advanced filtering
- Drill down & Drill through
- What-if analysis
- Decomposition Tree
- Lots of other methods too





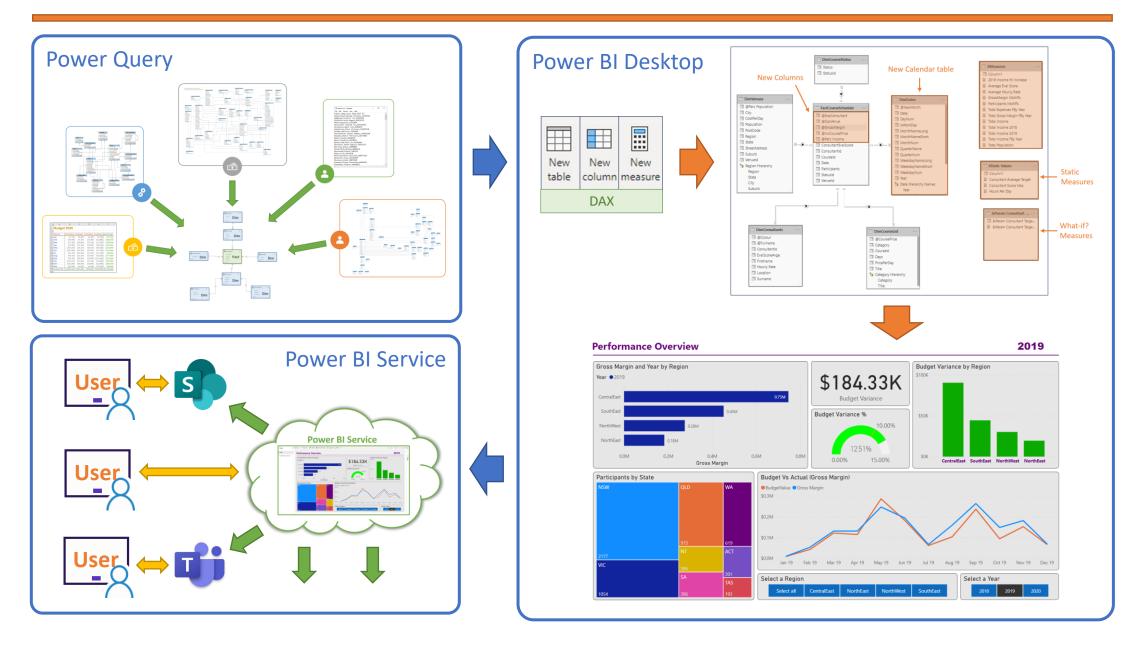
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#### Overview of the Microsoft Power BI infrastructure



# The future of BI

What does the future hold?





# The future of Business Intelligence

- More Collaboration for greater teamwork.
- Better Integration (inbound and outbound).
- Machine Learning and AI for insights and forecasting.
- Data Proactivity to deliver insights and anomalies to your door.
- Technology Advancements for bigger data and faster updates.
- Data Driven Culture to incorporate BI into everyday processes





### Demo

Microsoft Power BI – Some example AI Visuals

- Key Influencers
- Q and A
- Smart Narrative





### **Recommended Courses**

- Power BI The Essentials
  - Creating Reports
  - Using Power Query
  - Enhancing the Model with DAX
- Power BI Advanced Using advanced DAX
- Power BI Advanced Advanced Transformations

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