SAP® NetWeaver® Business Warehouse Accelerator

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- 1. Technology
- 2. Products

Key Technology Trends



Multicore CPUs

• In-Memory Processing

• Columnar Storage

Multicore CPUs





Multicore CPUs

Single core

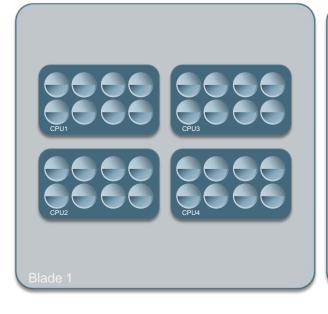
Symmetric multiprocessing (SMP)
Instruction level parallelism (ILP)
Increase frequency = increase performance
Increase frequency = increase power consumption

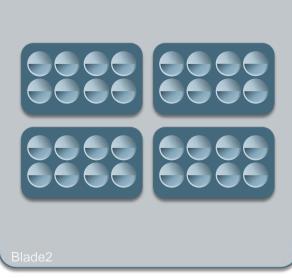


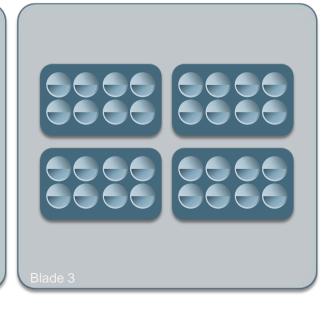
Multi core

Thread level parallelism (TLP)
Increase cores
Massive parallel processing (MMP)

Imperative: applications must be coded for TLP







Memory



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In-Memory Processing

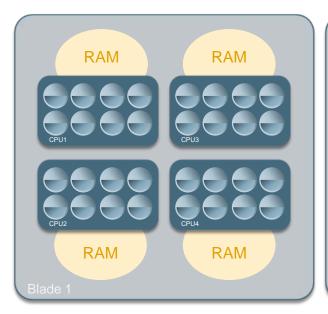
Limited availability of memory

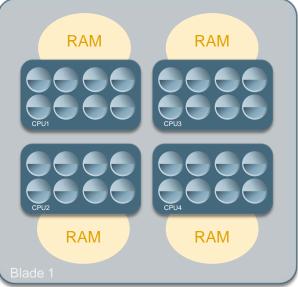
32 bit address space (maxing out a 4GB per CPU)
Expensive memory modules
Production processes limit denisty of chips (256MB)
Available memory is defined by physical constraints

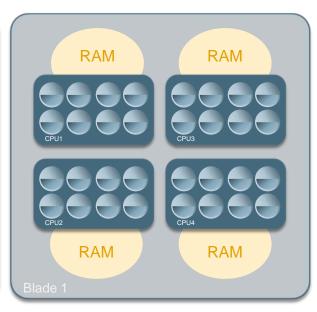


Plenty of memory

64 bit address space (virtually unlimited memory)
Sharp drop in memory price due to prod. processes
High denisty memory chips (4GB)

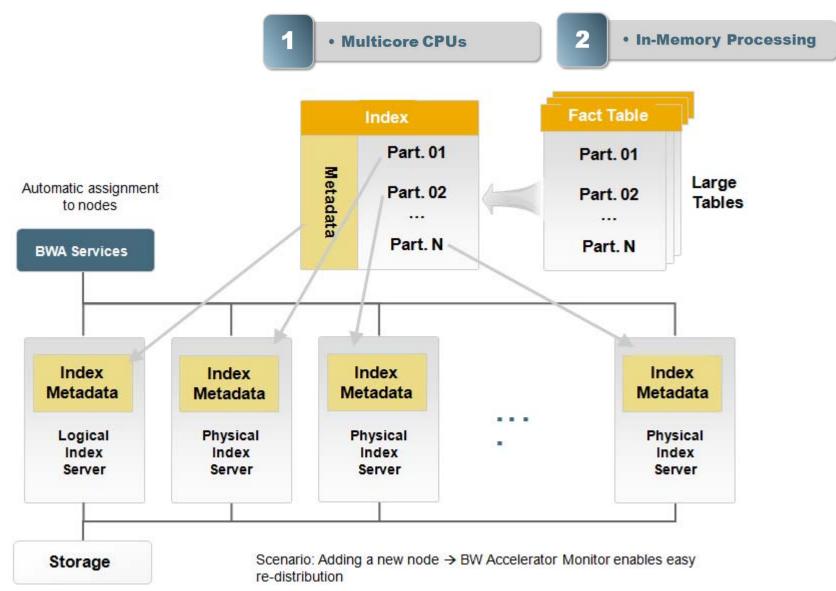






BW Accelerator Architecture: Horizontal Partitioning



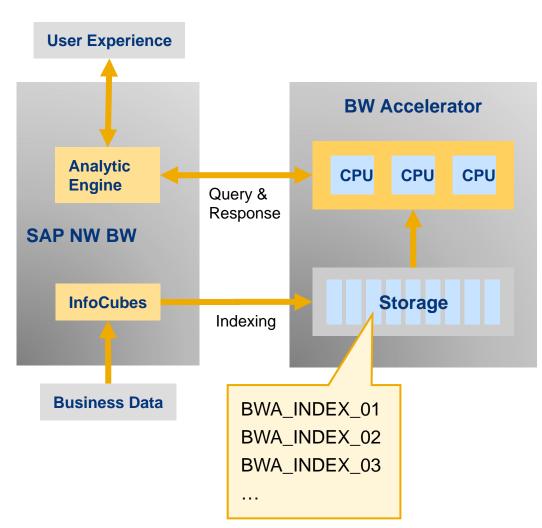


SAP NetWeaver BW Accelerator Indexing InfoCubes



A BWA Index

- Contains lists of
 - Index names
 - Join conditions
 - Join paths
 - View attributes
 - Key figures
- Stores metadata
- Enables engine to execute queries
- Corresponds to a BW InfoCube
 - But highly compressed to minimize main memory footprint



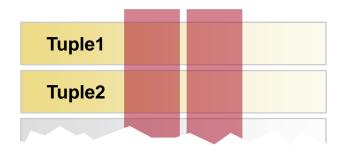
BW Accelerator Architecture: Vertical Decomposition





Classical DB

stores tables by row

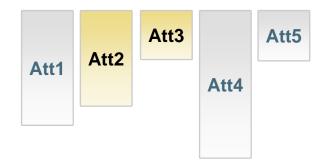


To find all instances of an attribute value:

- Go to the first row
- Check the attribute value
- Go to the next row
- Check the attribute value
- Repeat for each row in the table

BW Accelerator

stores tables by column

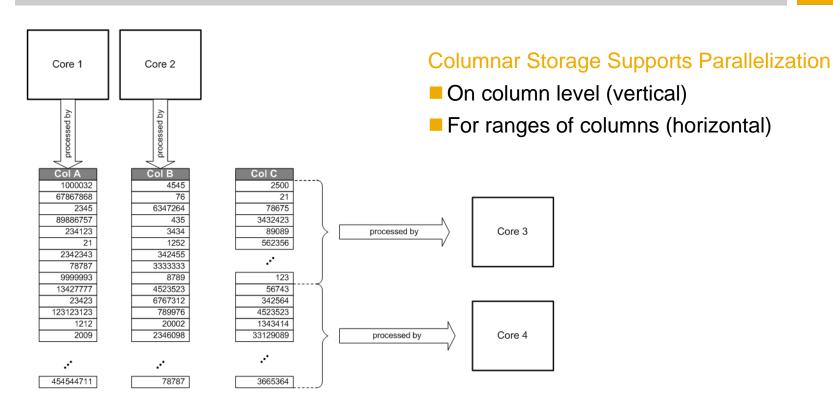


To find all instances of an attribute value:

- Go to the attribute column
- Read its row values

Columnar Storage: Advantages



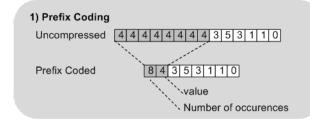


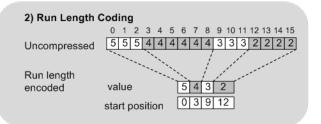
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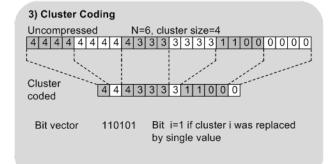
- Allows Compression such as run-length coding
- High speed of aggregation and scanning: several MB/sec
 - Allows eliminating materialized aggregates in many cases
 - Makes additional indexes unnecessary in many cases

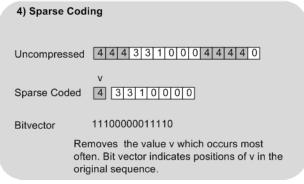
BWA Data Compression

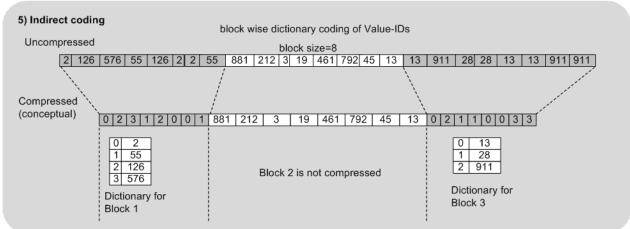






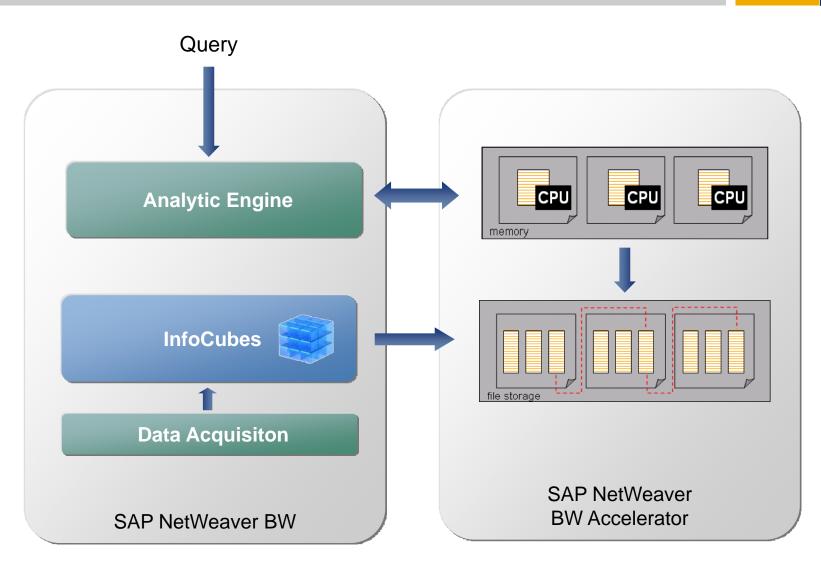






BW Accelerator





SAP NetWeaver BW Accelerator Value Proposition



Cost of Operation

- Save time to build and maintain aggregates
- Save disk space
- Take load off BW hardware
- Consolidate BW landscape

Extend Reach of BI

Empower additional user groups with user-friendly BI tools

Business

New Business Scenarios

Get more detailed insight into your business

Performance / Scalability

- Ready for high data volumes (retail, utilities, banking ...)
- Challenging response time SLA
- Ad hoc reporting with stable response times
- Scalable blade server platform

Time for Development

- Less focus on performance aspects
- Faster development of new models and queries

Data Latency

- Much shorter times for roll-ups and change runs
- Opportunity for more frequent data alignments
- Compression not always needed

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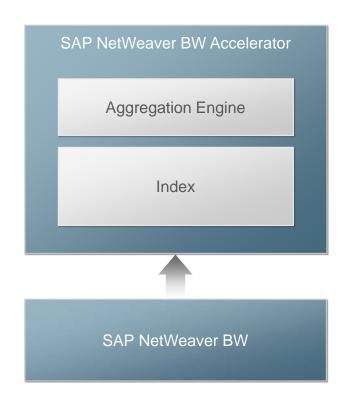
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SAP NetWeaver BW Accelerator 7.00



Proven Technology – large installed base

- Outstanding query performance for SAP NetWeaver BW queries
- TCO reduction for SAP NetWeaver BW no aggregations, less disk space, reduced systems workload
- Data latency reduction shortened rollup and change runs times, opportunity for more frequent data alignments
- Broader acceptance broader adoption of BW environments by the business community



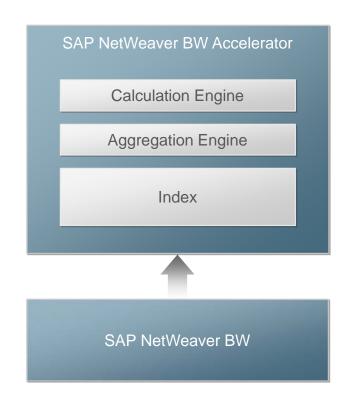
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New capabilities



Taking the BW Accelerator to the next level of performance

- Enhanced built-in analytical capabilities*
 - F4 Value help
 - Hierarchy support
 - MultiProvider calculation handling
 - Exception aggregation (min,max, avg, count distinct, topk)
 - Analytic indexes
- Advanced features*
 - BWA based InfoCube
 - Use DataStore Objects to create indexes
 - Leverage SAP Business Suite data directly



 Features require update/future release of SAP NetWeaver to be leveraged

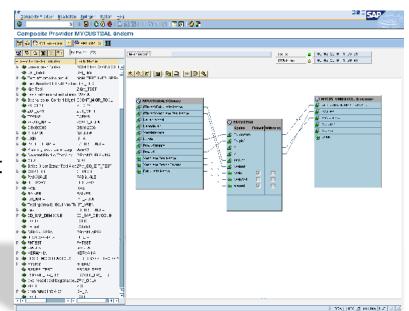
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Analytic Index & Composite Provider



Flexible modeling with APD & BWA in SAP NetWeaver BW

- Any output of an APD process can be materialized as a analytic index
- Analytic Indexes are exposed as an Info-Provider for Queries definitions on top of it
- Composite Provider: Simple modeling of compositions of analytic indexes (unions, joins)



Lab Preview

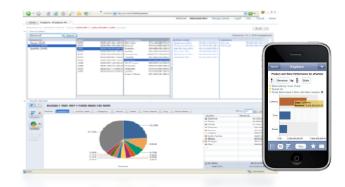
- Join/Union operation is processed on the fly
- CompositeProviders are exposed as standard SAP NetWeaver BW InfoProvider for BI client consumption

SAP BusinessObjects Explorer accelerated version for SAP NetWeaver BW



Search and discover – for intuitive enterprise data exploration

- Intuitive user experience for casual business users
- Search and explore large volumes of enterprise data to discover relationships and uncover root cause
- Business users gain immediate 'insight at the speed of thought' without needing assistance from a business analyst or IT







SAP BusinessObjects Explorer accelerated

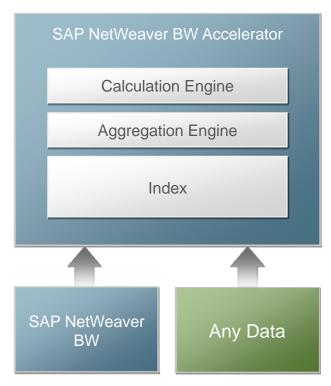
Accelerated version for any Data



Extended support for BW and any data – using the Search and Explore paradigm

- Extended support for SAP NetWeaver BW data models including hierarchies
- Load any kind of data into SAP NetWeaver Accelerator using SAP Business Objects Data Services
- New calculation engine providing support for calculated key figures and restricted key figures
- Updated user interface





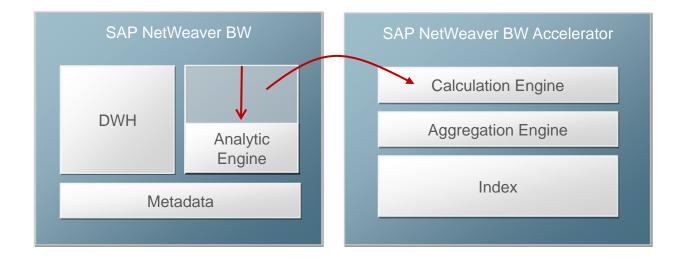
Summary

Using In-Memory technology for Analytics



In-memory imperative – bring data and operations together at the CPU

- Move data intense operations to the data residing in memory
 - Avoid moving data around (leverage 64bit memory address space)
 - Leverage parallel processing (indexes across cores, CPUs, and blades)
 - Extend calculation capabilities (leverage CPU compute power)



Thank you!

