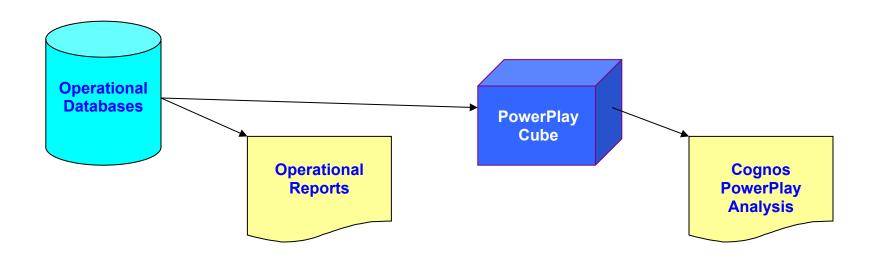
Database vs. Cube Diagram



Operational Database(s)

Holds operational data, has frequent updates, very detailed

Examples:

Schoolmaster

SASI

Part 200

CP

CCC

Jostens

Spreadsheets

. Access Databases

Etc.

Operational Report(s)

Reports on day-to-day, operational data

Examples:

Attendance
Grade summaries
Budget reports
Class schedules

Etc.

PowerPlay Cubes

Holds summarized, static data for analysis purposes. Typically, trend analysis.

Examples:

Etc.

LEAP cube Regents cube Financial cube Item analysis cube

PowerPlay Analysis

- Reporting with highlevel, strategic analysis goal in mind
- OLAP tool (On-Line Analytical Processing)
- Analyze data without awaiting a "report" to be created and run
- Enables you to easily find new ways to analyze data