

CineCubes: Cubes as Movie Stars with Little Effort

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Can we answer user queries with **more** than just a set of records?

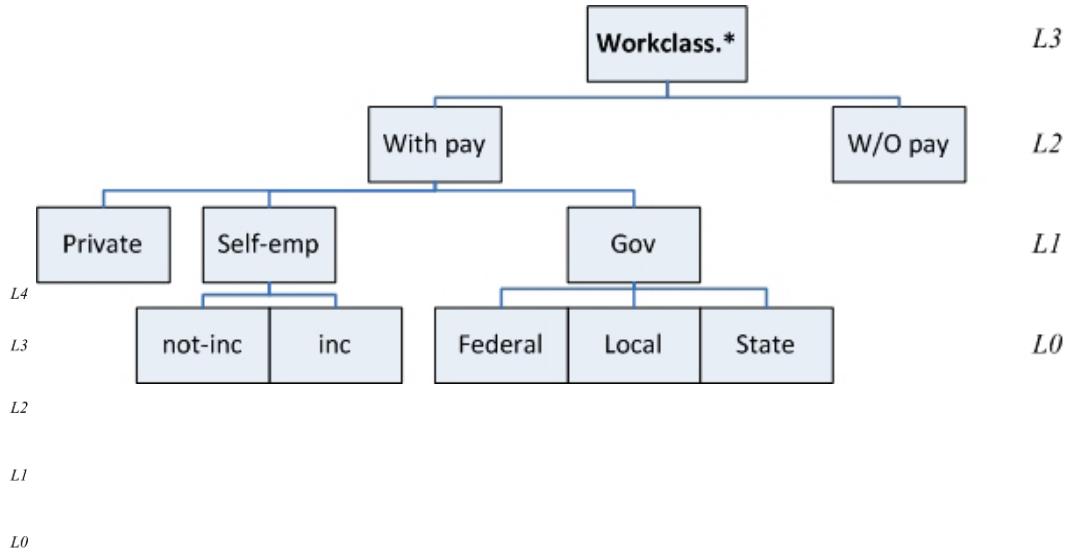
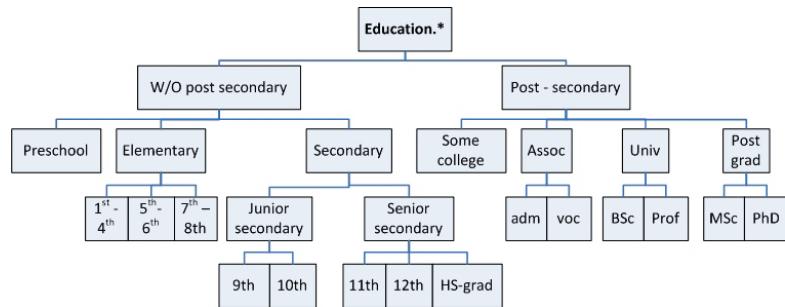
We should and can produce query results that are

- *properly visualized,*
- *enriched with textual comments,*
- *vocally enriched,*

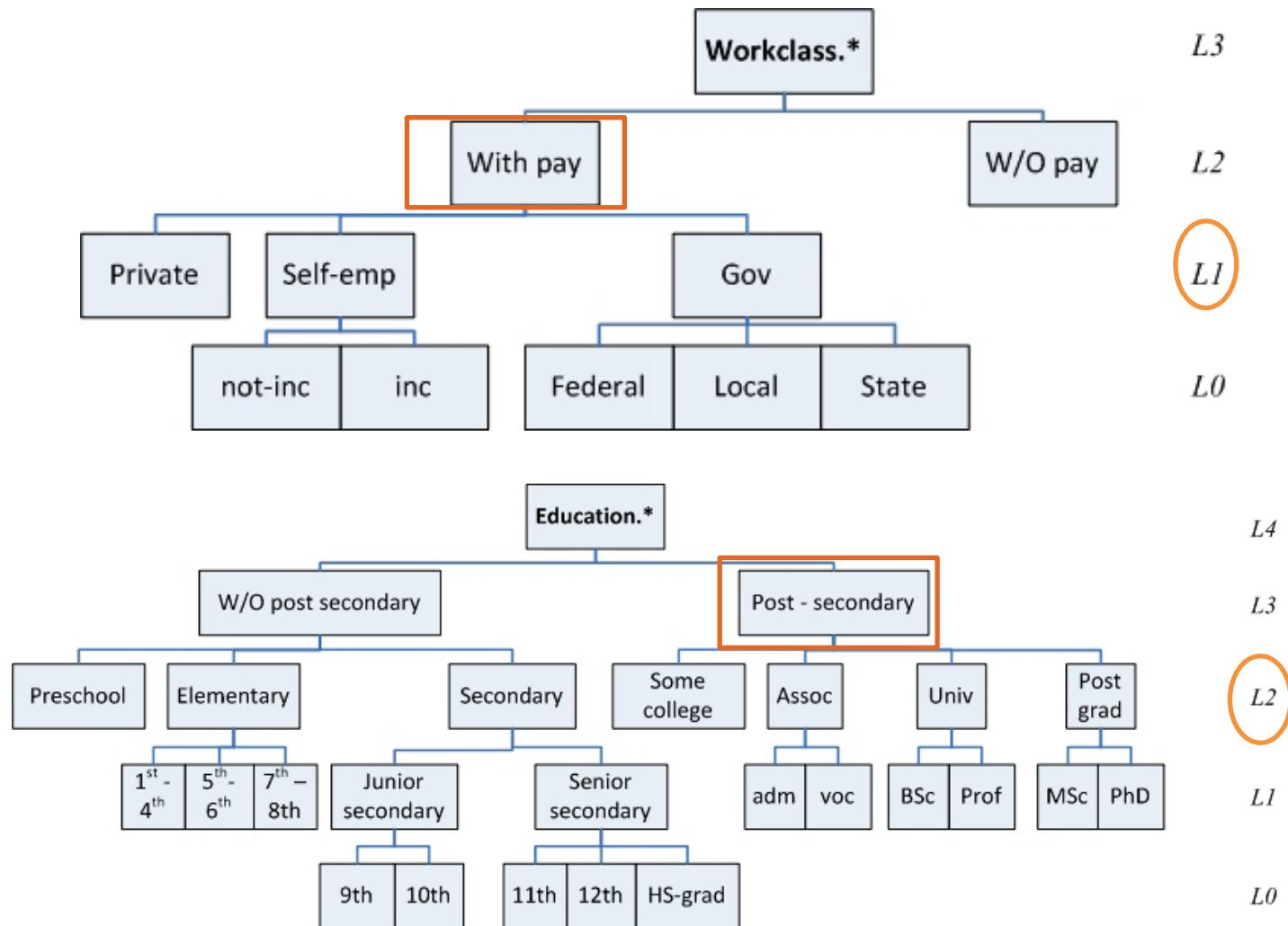
... but then, you have a movie

Example

- Find the average work hours per week //measure
 - For persons with //selection conditions
 - work_class.level2='With-Pay' , and
 - education.level3= 'Post-Sec'
 - Grouped per //groupers
 - work_class.level1
 - education.level3



Example



Example: Result

This is a report on the Avg of Mw when for education according to Post-Secondary and work living to Withey. We will start by answering the original query and we complement the result with contextualization and detailed analysis.

CineCube Report

Answers to the original question

	Area	Percept	Generosity	Unlikely
East	0.10	0.04	0.04	0.24
West	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.24
South	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.24

Act I: Putting results in context

In this series of slides we put the original result in context, by comparing the behavior of its defining values with the behavior of values that are similar to them.

Assessing the behavior of Education

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Assessing the behavior of work

	Area	Percept	Generosity	Unlikely
North	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.24
South	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.24

Act II: Explaining results

In this series of slides we will present a detailed analysis of the values involved in the result of the original query. To this end, we will attempt to drilldown the hierarchy of grouping levels of the result to one level of aggregation (rows) whenever is possible.

Drilling down the Rows of the Original Result

	Area	Percept	Generosity	Unlikely
East	Perception	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
East	Leisure	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
East	Generosity	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
West	Perception	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
West	Leisure	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
West	Generosity	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
South	Perception	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
South	Leisure	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
South	Generosity	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)

Drilling down the Columns of the Original Result

	Area	Percept	Generosity	Unlikely
Perception	East	0.00	0.00	0.00
Perception	West	0.00	0.00	0.00
Perception	South	0.00	0.00	0.00
Leisure	East	0.00	0.00	0.00
Leisure	West	0.00	0.00	0.00
Leisure	South	0.00	0.00	0.00
Generosity	East	0.00	0.00	0.00
Generosity	West	0.00	0.00	0.00
Generosity	South	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unlikely	East	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unlikely	West	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unlikely	South	0.00	0.00	0.00

Summary

- Comparing the original query against the top-level results:
 - Column Generosity has the highest value
 - Row South has the highest value
- The original query is considered to be at a low level of detail, so we have to drill down to get more detail.
 - Comparing the behavior of the rows of the original query, we can see that the values for the three regions are very similar.
 - In East and West we see 0.00 for the column Unlikely.
 - In South we see 0.06 for the column Unlikely.
- When we compare the results of drilling down to the lowest level of detail, the results are identical.
- Column Perception has the highest value.
- Column Generosity has the second highest value.
- Column South has the third highest value.

Answer to the original question

	Assoc	Post-grad	Some- college	University
Gov	40.73	43.58	38.38	42.14
Private	41.06	45.19	38.73	43.06
Self-emp	46.68	47.24	45.70	46.61

Here, you can see the answer of the original query. You have specified education to be equal to 'Post-Secondary', and work to be equal to 'With-Pay'. We report on Avg of work hours per week grouped by education at level 2, and work at level 1 .

You can observe the results in this table. We highlight the largest values with red and the lowest values with blue color.

Column Some-college has 2 of the 3 lowest values.

Row Self-emp has 3 of the 3 highest values.

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Drilling down education

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Doctorate	46.53 (124)	49.05 (172)	47.22 (79)
Masters	42.93 (567)	44.42 (863)	47.25 (197)
Some-college	Gov	Private	Self-emp
Some-college	38.38 (955)	38.73 (5016)	45.70 (704)
University	Gov	Private	Self-emp
Bachelors	41.56 (943)	42.71 (3455)	46.23 (646)
Prof-school	48.40 (86)	47.96 (247)	47.78 (209)

	Post-Secondary	Without Post-Secondary
Gov	41.12	38.97
Private	41.06	39.40
Self-emp	46.39	44.84

Summary for education

Act I (sl. 2,3)

In this graphic, we put the original request in context by comparing the value 'Post-Secondary' for education at level 3 with its sibling values. We calculate the Avg of Hrs while fixing education at level 4 to be equal to "ALL", and work at level 2 to be equal to "With-Pay". We highlight the reference cells with bold, the highest value with red and the lowest value with blue.

Compared to its sibling we observe that in 3 out of 3 cases Post-Secondary has higher value than Without-Post-Secondary.

	Assoc	Post-grad	Some-college	University
With-Pay	41.62	44.91	39.41	43.44
Without-pay	50.00	-	35.33	-

Summary for work

Drilling down work

Act II (sl. 3,4)

Gov	Assoc	Post-grad	Some-college	University
Federal-gov	41.15 (93)	43.86 (80)	40.31 (251)	43.38 (233)
Local-gov	41.33 (171)	43.96 (362)	40.14 (385)	42.34 (499)
State-gov	39.09 (87)	42.93 (249)	34.73 (319)	40.82 (297)
Private	Assoc	Post-grad	Some-college	University
Private	41.06 (1713)	45.19 (1035)	38.73 (5016)	43.06 (3702)
Self-emp	Assoc	Post-grad	Some-college	University
Self-emp-inc	48.68 (72)	53.05 (110)	49.31 (223)	49.91 (338)
Self-emp-not-inc	45.88 (178)	43.39 (166)	44.03 (481)	44.44 (517)

Contributions

- We create a small “movie” that answers an OLAP query
- We complement each query with **auxiliary queries** organized in thematically related **acts** that allow us to assess and explain the results of the original query
- We implemented an extensible palette of **highlight** extraction methods to find interesting patterns in the result of each query
- We describe each highlight with **text**
- We use TTS technology to convert text to **audio**

Contributions

- Equally importantly:
 - An extensible software where algorithms for query generation and highlight extraction can be plugged in
 - The demonstration of low technical barrier to produce CineCube reports

Method Overview

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Our Approach

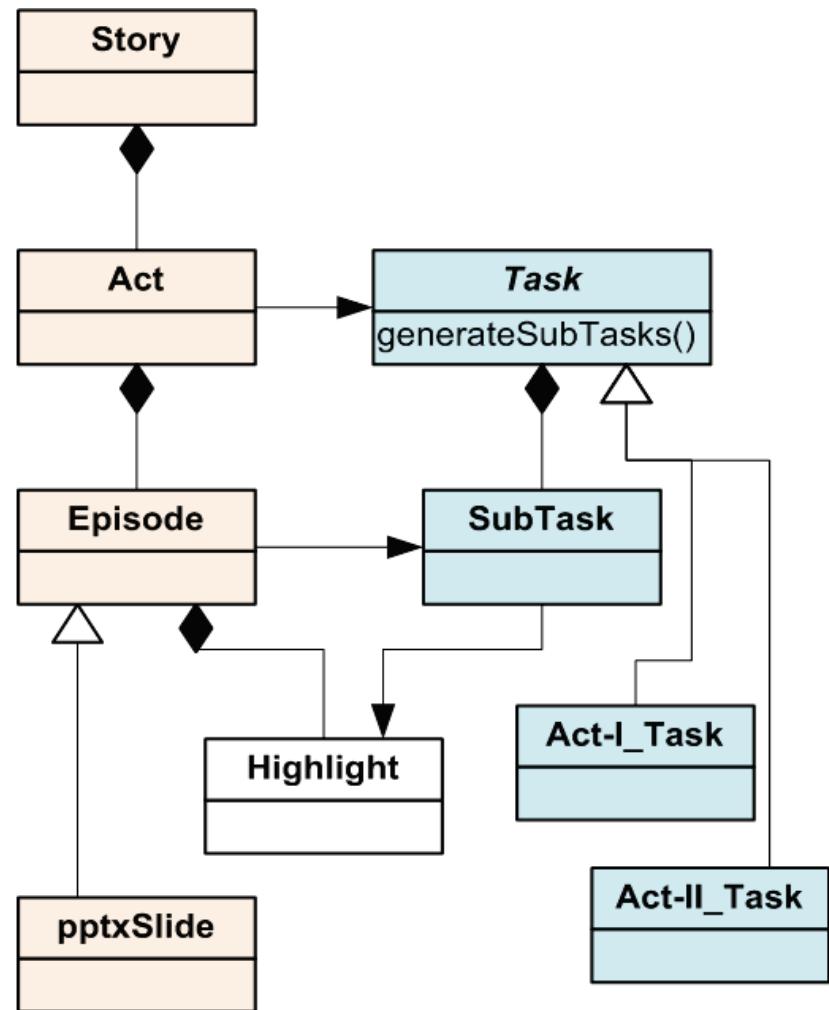
- A first assessment of the current state of affairs
 - Practically, this requirement refers to the execution of the original query.
- Put the state in Context
- Analysis of why things are this way.

Structure of the CineCube Movie

- A typical movie story is structured in **acts**.
 - Each Act is composed of sequences of scenes
- That's why we organize the CineCube Movie in five Acts:
 - Intro Act
 - Original Act
 - Act I
 - Act II
 - Summary Act

The movie's parts

- Much like movies, we organize our stories in acts
- Each act including several episodes all serving the same purpose



CineCube Movie – Intro Act

- Intro Act has an episode that introduce the story to user

The image shows a screenshot of a software application titled "CineCube Report". In the top right corner, there is a 3D visualization of a cube. The faces of the cube are labeled with text: "JOAN" on the front face, "NAUD" on the back face, and "specialeffect" on the other four faces. A vertical bar with a circular arrow icon is positioned next to the cube. In the bottom left corner of the main window, the text "CineCube Report" is displayed. Below this, a detailed text report reads:
This is a report on the Avg of work hours per week when education is fixed to 'Post-Secondary' and work is fixed to 'With-Pay'. We will start by answering the original query and we complement the result with contextualization and detailed analyses.

CineCube Movie – Original Act

- Original Act has an episode which is the answer of query that submitted by user

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface. At the top left is a circular profile picture with a blue background and a white icon. Below it is the text "Answer to the original question". A table follows, with columns labeled "Assoc", "Post grad", "Some-college", and "University". The rows represent different employment sectors: "Gov", "Private", and "Self-emp". The data is as follows:

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CineCube Movie – Act I

- In this Act we try to answer the following question:
 - How good is the original query compared to its siblings?
- We compare the marginal aggregate results of the original query to the results of “sibling” queries that use “similar” values in their selection conditions

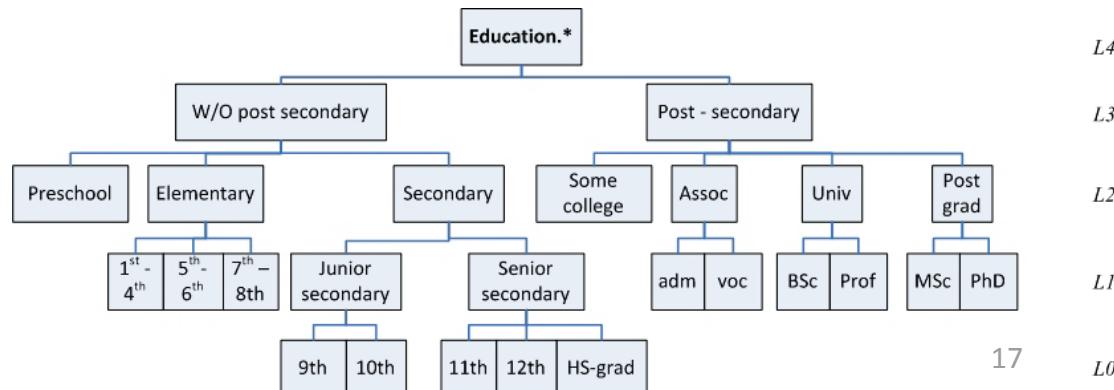
Act I – Example

Result of Original Query

	Assoc	Post-grad	Some-college	University	
Gov	40.73	43.58	38.38	42.14	$q = (DS^0,$ $W.L_2 = \text{'With-Pay'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'},$ $[W.L_1, E.L_2],$ $\text{avg(Hrs)})$
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Assessing the behavior of education

Summary for education	Post-Secondary	Without-Post-Secondary	
Gov	41.12	38.97	$q = (DS^0,$ $W.L_2 = \text{'With-Pay'} \wedge E.L_4 = \text{'All'},$ $[W.L_1, E.L_3],$ $\text{avg(Hrs)})$
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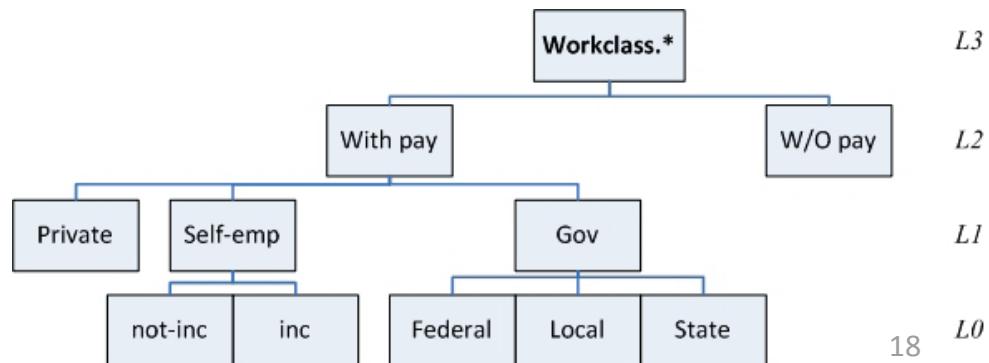
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Without-pay	50.00	-	35.33	-	



CineCube Movie – Act II

- In this Act we try to explaining to user why the result of original query is what it is.
 - “Drilling into the breakdown of the original result”
- We drill in the details of the cells of the original result in order to inspect the internals of the aggregated measures of the original query.

Act II – Example

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CineCube Movie – Summary Act

- Summary Act represented from one episode.
- This episode has all the highlights of our story.

Play

Summary

- Concerning the original query, some interesting findings include:
 - Column Some-college has 2 of the 3 lowest values.
 - Row Self-emp has 3 of the 3 highest values.
 - Row Gov has 2 of the 3 lowest values.
- First, we tried to put the original result in context, by comparing its defining values with similar ones.
 - When we compared Post-Secondary to its siblings, grouped by education and work, we observed the following:
 - In 3 out of 3 cases Post-Secondary has higher value than Without-Post-Secondary.
 - When we compared With-Pay to its siblings, grouped by education and work, we observed the following:
 - In 1 out of 4 cases With-Pay has a higher value than Without-pay.
 - In 1 out of 4 cases With-Pay has a lower value than Without-pay.
 - In 2 out of 4 cases Without-pay has null value.
- Then we analyzed the results by drilling down one level in the hierarchy.
 - When we drilled down work, we observed the following facts:
 - Column Post-grad has 4 of the 6 highest values.
 - Column Some-college has 4 of the 6 lowest values.
 - When we drilled down education, we observed the following facts:
 - Column Gov has 3 of the 3 lowest values.

Highlight Extraction

- We utilize a palette of highlight extraction methods that take a 2D matrix as input and produce important findings as output.
- Such as:
 - The top and bottom quartile of values in a matrix
 - The absence of values from a row or column
 - The domination of a quartile by a row or a column
 - The identification of min and max values

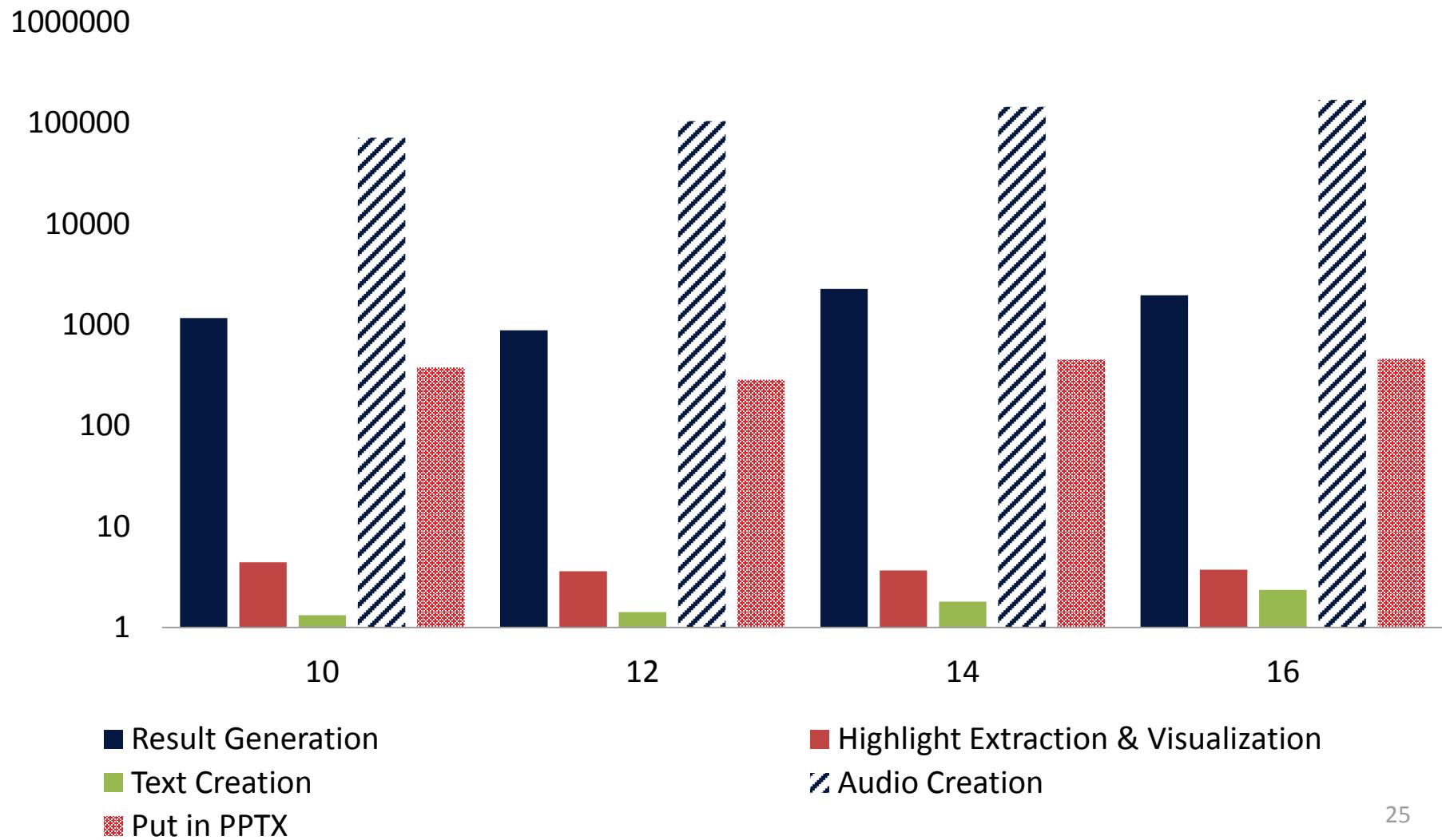
Text Extraction

- Text is constructed by a Text Manager that customizes the text per Act
- **Example:**

In this slide, we drill-down one level for all values of dimension <dim> at level <l>. For each cell we show both the <agg> of <measure> and the number of tuples that correspond to it.

Experimental Results

Time breakdown(msec, log scale) for the method's parts



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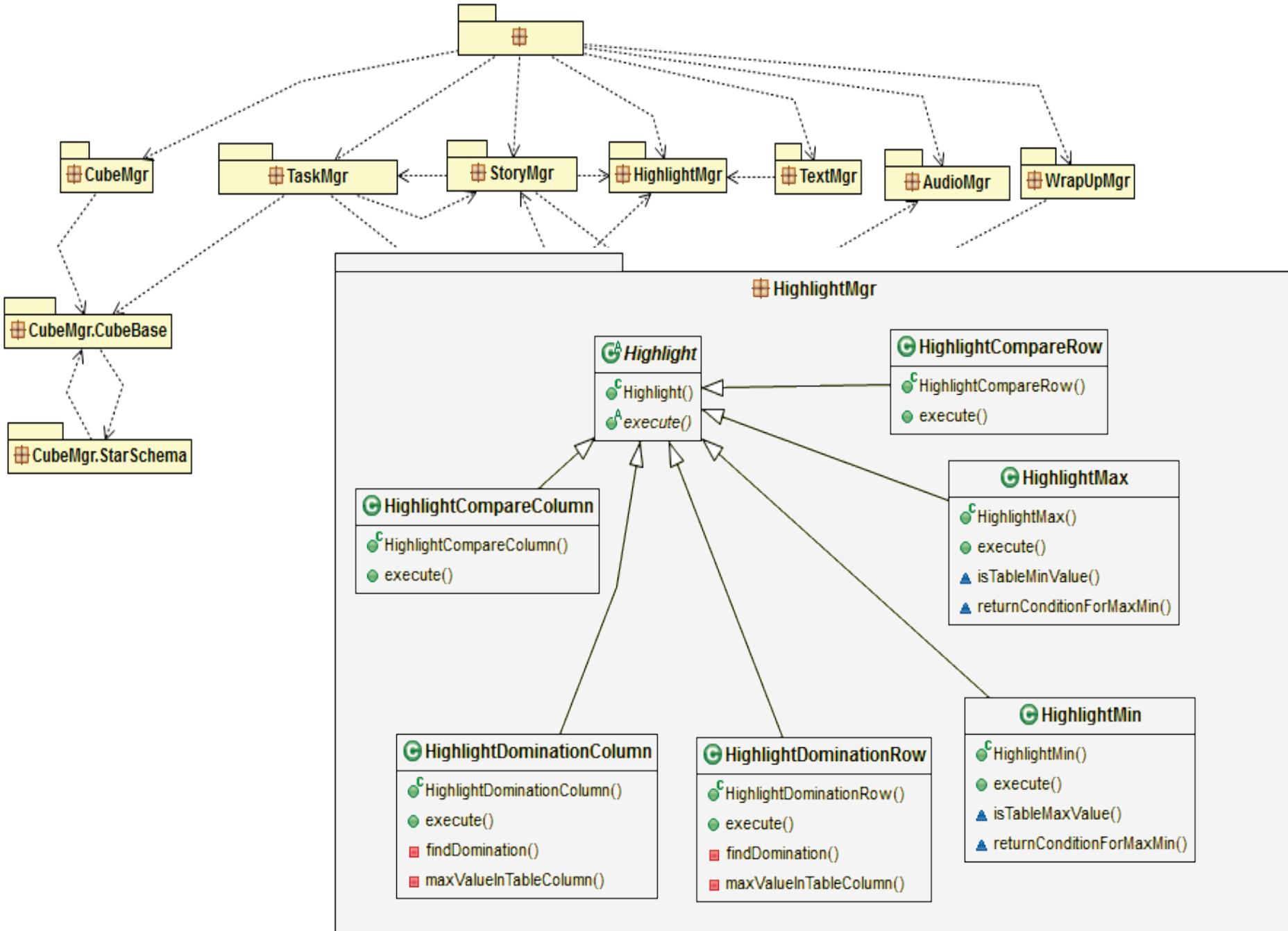
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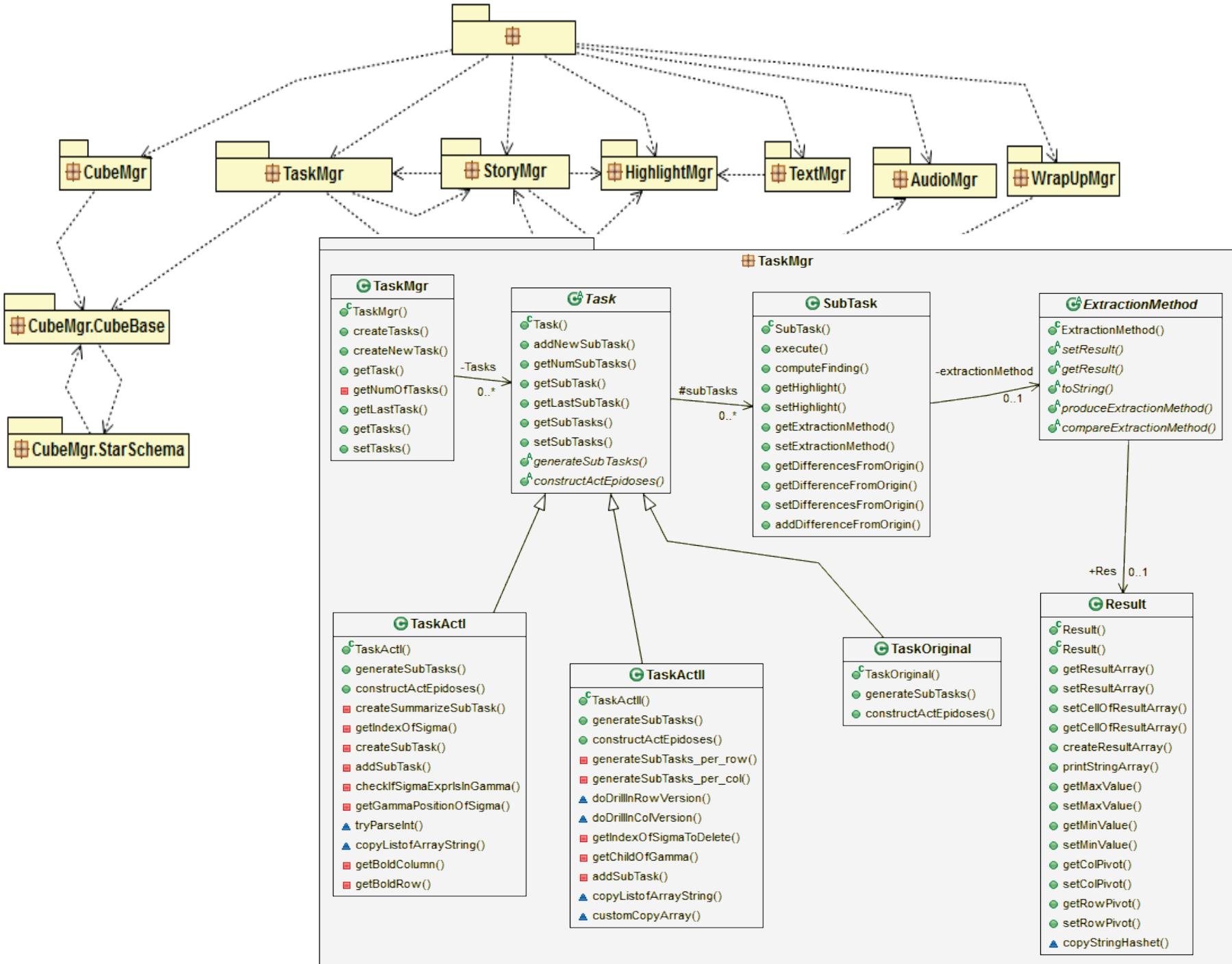
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Low technical barrier

- Our tool is extensible
 - We can add new tasks to generate complementary queries easily
 - We can add new highlight algorithms to produce highlights easily
- Supportive technologies are surprisingly easier to use
 - Apache POI for pptx generation
 - TTS for text to speech conversion





Apache POI for pptx

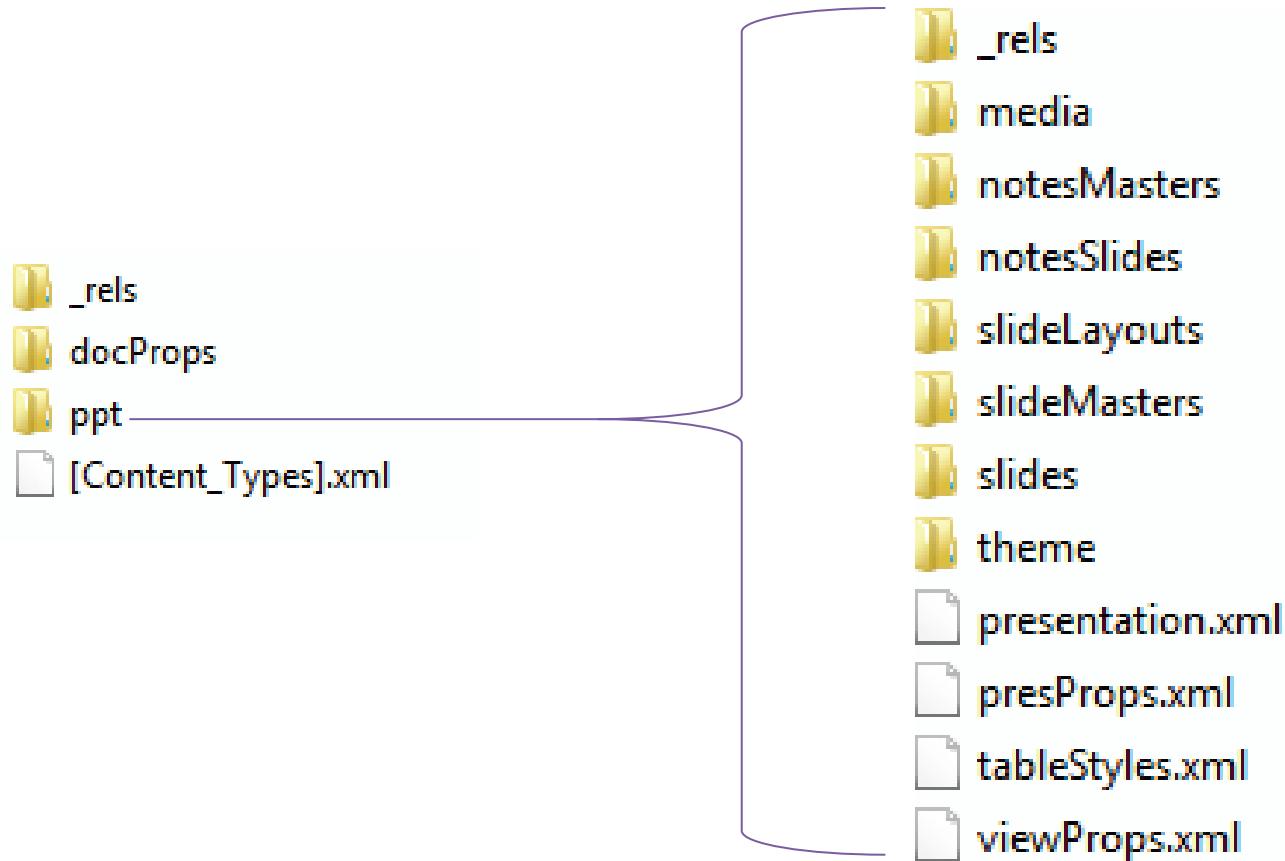
- A Java API that provides several libraries for Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel (since 2001).
- XSLF is the Java implementation of the PowerPoint 2007 OOXML (.pptx) file format.

```
XMLSlideShow ss = new XMLSlideShow();
XSLFSlideMaster sm = ss.getSlideMasters()[0];

XSLFSlide sl= ss.createSlide
(sm.getLayout(SlideLayout.TITLE_AND_CONTENT));

XSLFTable t = sl.createTable();
t.addRow().addCell().setText("added a cell");
```

PPTX Folder Structure



MaryTTS for Text-to-Speech Synthesis

```
MaryInterface m = new LocalMaryInterface();
m.setVoice("cmu-slt-hsmm");

AudioInputStream audio = m.generateAudio("Hello");

AudioSystem.write(audio, audioFileFormat.Type.WAVE,
new File("myWav.wav"));
```

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Open issues

Multi-query

Speed-up
voice gen.

Cloud/parallel

Star
schema

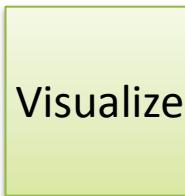
2D results (2
groupers)

Assump
tions

Equality
selections

Single
measure

Show
text



More
than 2D
arrays

Look like
a movie



**Be compendious; if not,
at least be concise!**

Structure
more like a
movie



More
acts
(more
queries)

Crowd
wisdom

Chase after
interestingness



How to allow
interaction with
the user?

Personalization

Thank you!

Any questions?

More information

- <http://www.cs.uoi.gr/~pvassil/projects/cinecubes/>

Demo

- <http://snf-56304.vm.okeanos.grnet.gr/>

Code

- <https://github.com/DAINTINESS-Group/CinecubesPublic.git>

AUXILIARY SLIDES

Related Work

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- Query Recommendations
- Database-related efforts
- OLAP-related methods
- Advanced OLAP operators
- Text synthesis from query results

Query Recommendations

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Formalities

OLAP Model

- ▶ We base our approach on an OLAP model that involves
 - Dimensions, defined as lattices of dimension levels
 - Ancestor functions, (in the form of $\text{anc}_{L_1}^{L_2}$) mapping values between related levels of a dimension
 - Detailed data sets, practically modeling fact tables at the lowest granule of information
 - Cubes, defined as aggregations over detailed data sets

What is Cube?

- ▶ A primary Cube C is described as

$$C = (DS^0, \phi, [L_1, \dots, L_n, M_1, \dots, M_m], [agg_1(M_1^0), \dots, agg_1(M_m^0)])$$

- DS^0 is a detailed dataset over the schema
- Φ is a detailed selection condition
 - Φ analyzed as $\varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k$
 - φ_i is $D_i.L_j = value_i$
- L_1, \dots, L_n are levels such that $L_i < L_{i+1}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$.
- M_1, \dots, M_m are measures
- $agg_i \in \{max, min, sum, count, average\}$, $1 \leq i \leq m$

Cube Query

- ▶ A cube query Q can be considered as

$$Q = (DS^0, \Sigma, \Gamma, \gamma(M))$$

- ▶ where:

- Σ is a conjunction of dimensional restrictions of the form
- Γ is a set of grouper dimensional level
- $\gamma(M)$ is an aggregate function applied to the measure of the cube

Cube Query

- ▶ In our approach we assume that the user submit cube queries which denote as:
 - $q = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\alpha, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$
- ▶ Example:

$q = (A, W.L_2 = 'With-Pay' \wedge E.L_3 = 'Post-Sec', [W.L_1, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$

Cube Query to SQL Query

- ▶ In general case :

```
SELECT  $L_1, \dots, L_n, agg_1(M_1^0), \dots, agg_1(M_1^0)]$ 
FROM  $DS^0$  INNER JOIN  $D_1, \dots$  INNER JOIN  $D_n$ 
WHERE  $\phi$ 
GROUP BY  $L_1, \dots, L_n$ 
```

- ▶ Example for our case:

```
SELECT W.L1, E.L2, AVG(Hrs)
FROM A
INNER JOIN W ON A.W=W.L0
INNER JOIN E ON A.E=E.L0
WHERE W.L2 = 'With-Pay' AND E.L3 = 'Post-Sec'
GROUP BY W.L1, E.L2
```

Method Internals

Act I – Our Definition

- ▶ We introduce **two marginal sibling queries**, one for each aggregator.

- ▶ Formally, given an original query:

$$q = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\alpha, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$$

- ▶ Its two marginal sibling queries are:

1. $q^s = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_{\chi}^* \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\alpha, L_\chi], \text{agg}(M))$

2. $q^s = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_{\chi}^* \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\chi, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$

- $\varphi_{\chi}^*: L_{x+1} = anc_{L_x}^{L_{x+1}}(v)$

Act I – Query Example

▶ Original Query

- $q = (DS^0, W.L_2 = \text{'With-Pay'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_1, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$

▶ Sibling Queries:

1. $q = (DS^0, W.L_2 = \text{'With-Pay'} \wedge E.L_4 = \text{'All'}, [W.L_1, E.L_3], \text{avg(Hrs)})$
2. $q = (DS^0, W.L_3 = \text{'All'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_2, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$

Act I – How produce it?

- ▶ We define a *sibling query* as a query with a single difference to the original:
 - Instead of an atomic selection formula $L_i = v_i$, the sibling query contains a formula of the form
 $L_i \in \text{children}(\text{parent}(v_i))$.
- ▶ Formally, given an original query
$$q = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\alpha, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$$
- ▶ A new query q^s is a *sibling query* if is of the form
$$q^s = (DS^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_\chi^* \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k, [L_\alpha, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$$
 - $\varphi_\chi^*: L_{x+1} = anc_{L_x}^{L_{x+1}}(v)$

Act II – Query Example

▶ Original Query

- $q = (DS^0, W.L_2 = \text{'With-Pay'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_1, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$

▶ Drill in Queries for work dimension:

1. $q = (DS^0, W.L_1 = \text{'Gov'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_0, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$
2. $q = (DS^0, W.L_1 = \text{'Private'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_0, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$
3. $q = (DS^0, W.L_1 = \text{'Self-emp'} \wedge E.L_3 = \text{'Post-Sec'}, [W.L_0, E.L_2], \text{avg(Hrs)})$

For Education dimension: similarly

Act II- How produce it?

- ▶ Assume a cube query and its result, visualized as a 2D matrix.
- ▶ For each cell c of this result is characterized by the following cube query:
 - $q^c = (DS^0, \phi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \phi_k \wedge \phi_c, [L_\alpha, L_\beta], agg(M))$
 - $\varphi_c : L_\alpha = v_a^c \wedge L_\beta = v_\beta^c$

Act II- How produce it?

- ▶ For each of the aggregator dimensions, we can generate a set of **explanatory drill in queries**, one per value in the original result:
 1. $q_a^s = (\text{DS}^0, \phi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \phi_k \wedge \phi, [L_{\alpha-1}, L_\beta], \text{agg}(M))$,
 2. $q_\beta^s = (\text{DS}^0, \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_k \wedge \varphi_c, [L_\alpha, L_{\beta-1}], \text{agg}(M))$
 - $\varphi_c : L_\alpha = v_a^c \wedge L_\beta = v_\beta^c$

Our Algorithm

Algorithm Construct Operational Act

Input: the original query over the appropriate database

Output: a set of an act's episodes fully computed

1. Create the necessary objects (act, episodes, tasks, subtasks) appropriately linked to each other
2. Construct the necessary queries for all the subtasks of the Act, execute them, and organize the result as a set of aggregated cells (each including its coordinates, its measure and the number of its generating detailed tuples)
3. For each episode
 - Calculate the visual presentation of cells
 - Calculate the cells' highlights
 - Produce the text based on the highlights
 - Produce the audio based on the text

Experiments and Results

Experimental setup

- Adult dataset referring to data from 1994 USA census
 - Has 7 dimension Age, Native Country, Education, Occupation, Marital status, Work class, and Race.
 - One Measure : work hours per week
- Machine Setup :
 - Running Windows 7
 - Intel Core Duo CPU at 2.50GHz,
 - 3GB main memory.

Experiments

Time breakdown(msec) per Act

