

Webinar

Impact Analysis for SAP BusinessObjects Flashes of Insight

Today's Session

Key Topics

TOPIC

- Database Schema Changes
- Semantic Layer Modifications
- Schedules and Instances
- Q&A – see webinar console



Today's Presenters



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- Formed in 1992
- Enabling BI platform management, administration, migration, governance and compliance
- Simplifying, automating, extending SAP BusinessObjects and SAP Analytics Cloud
- Strategic SDK development and consulting
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Important Announcement!



SAP has made important announcements about SAP BusinessObjects, including new version plans, and significantly expanding support timelines for on-premise deployments of SAP BusinessObjects!!

More details coming soon on an upcoming webinar on June 29th ...

APOS Insight – Deep System Knowledge



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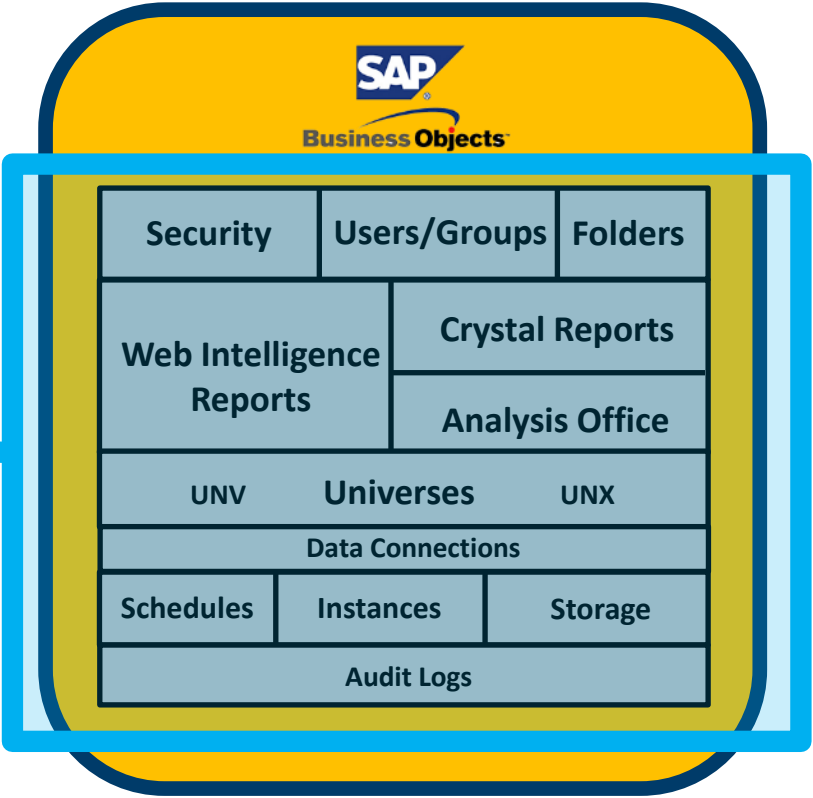


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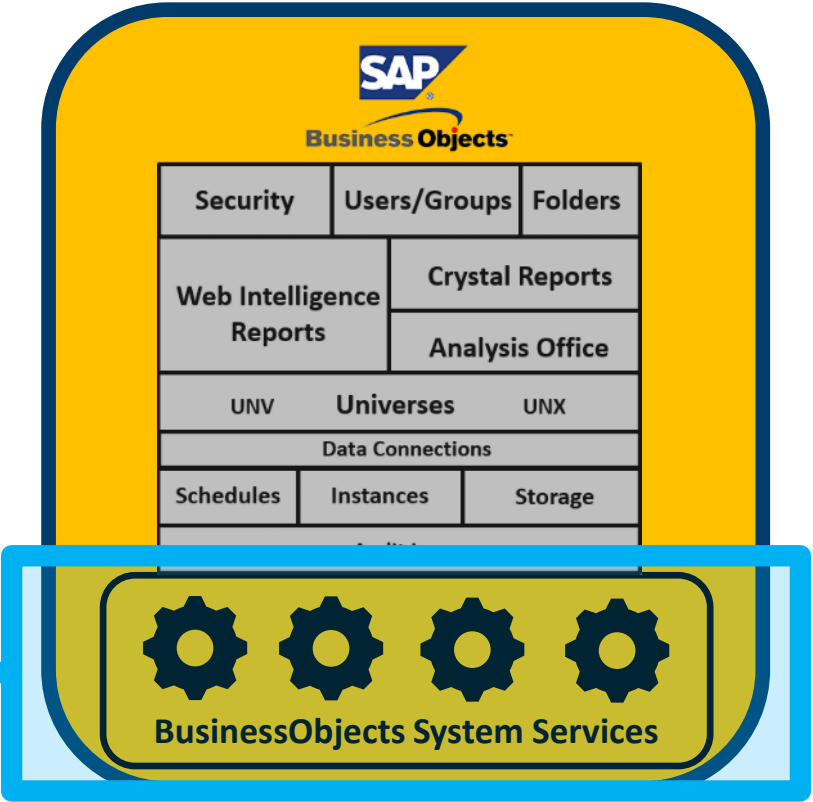
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UNV	Universes	UNIX
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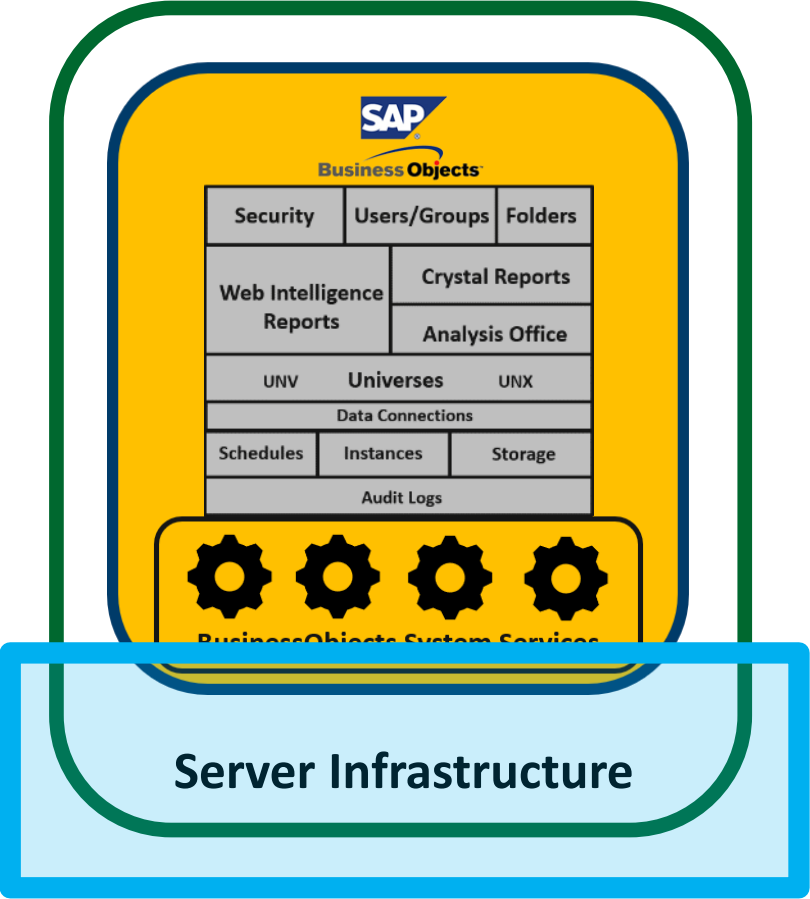
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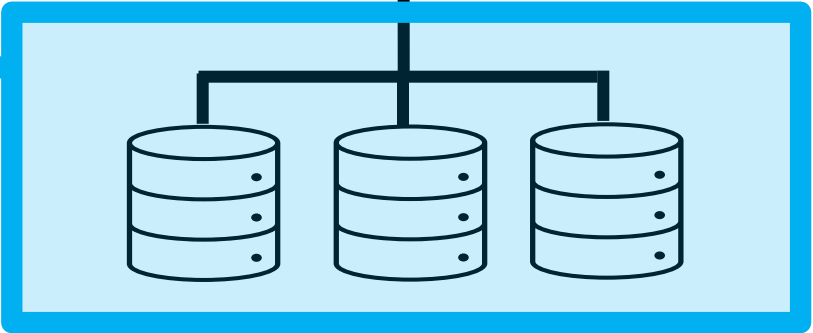
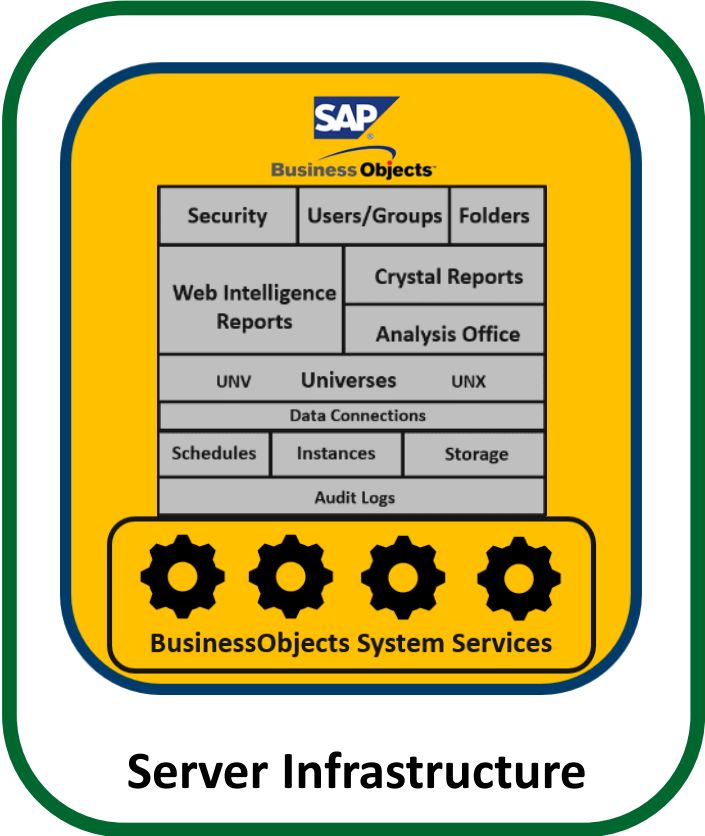
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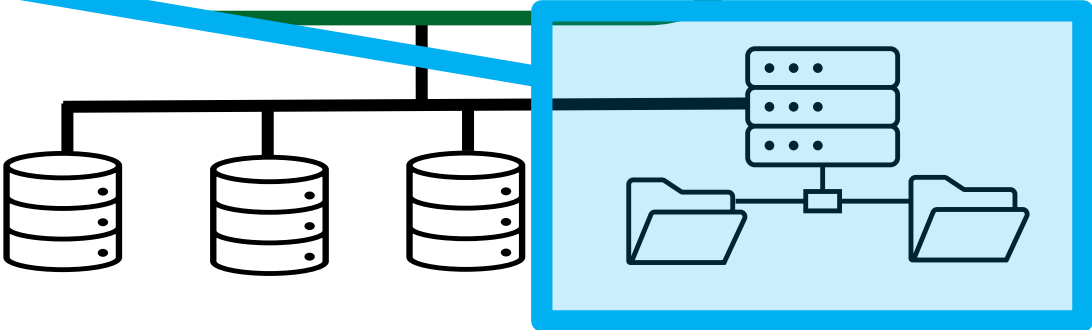
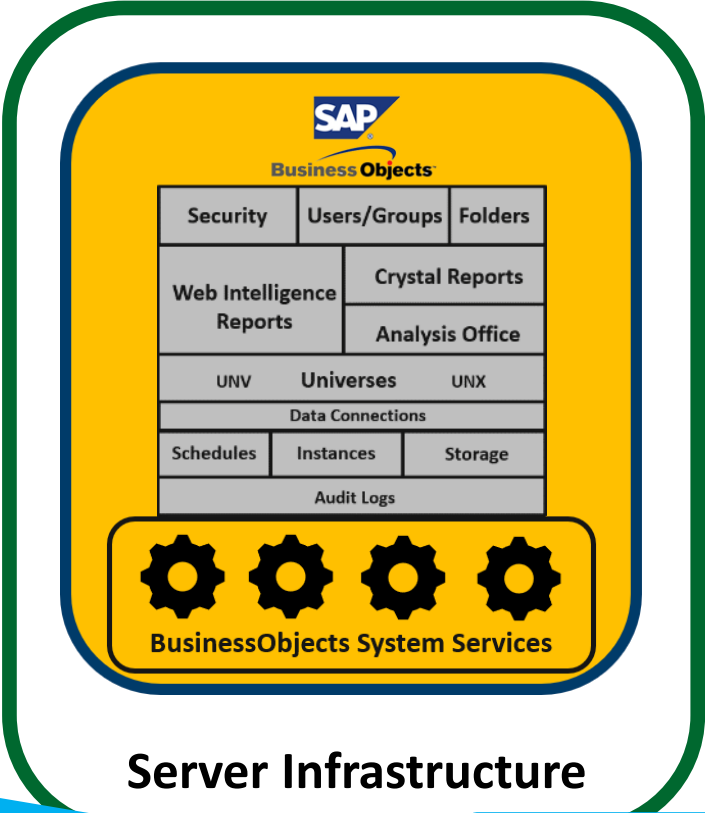
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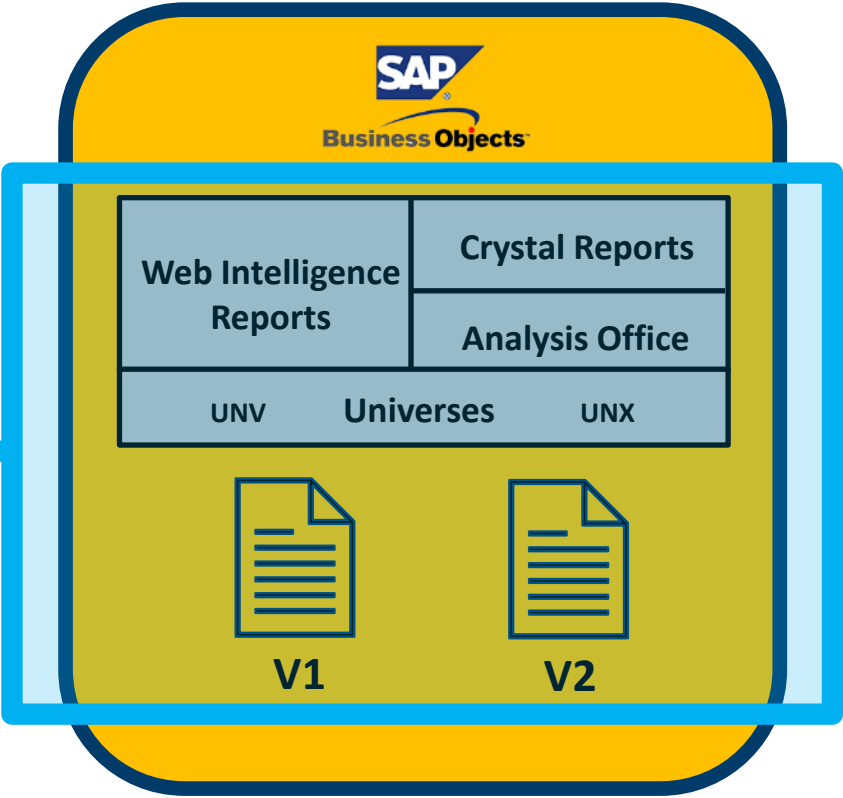
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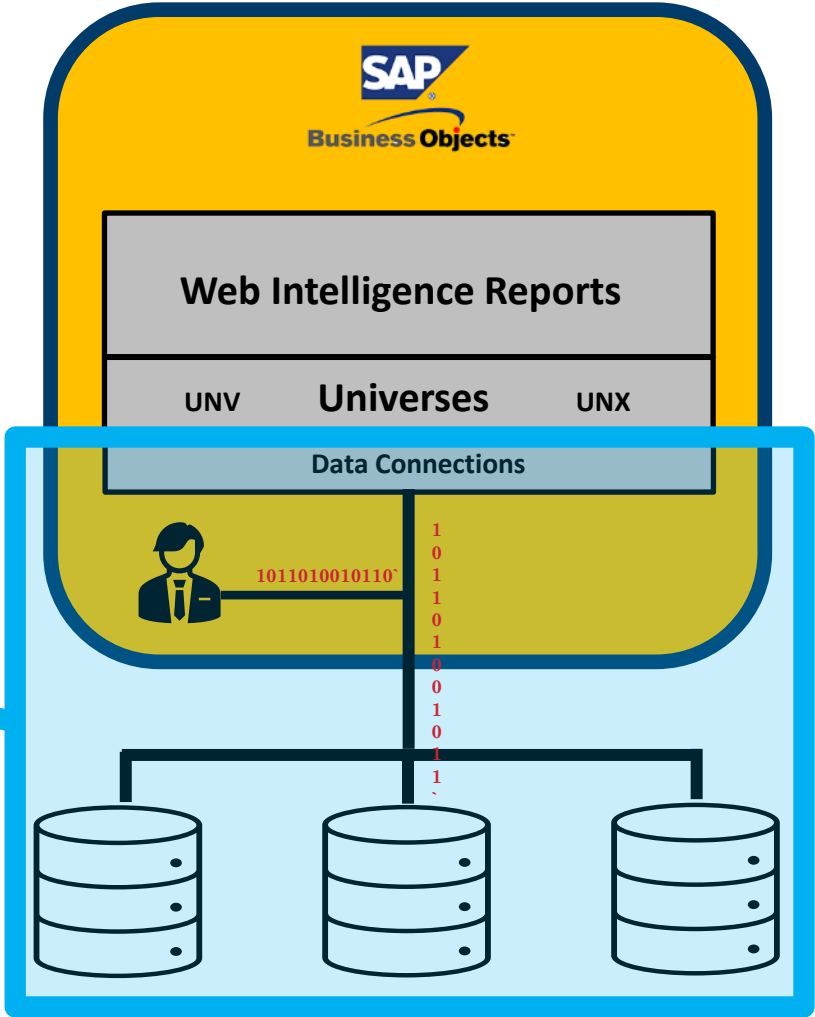
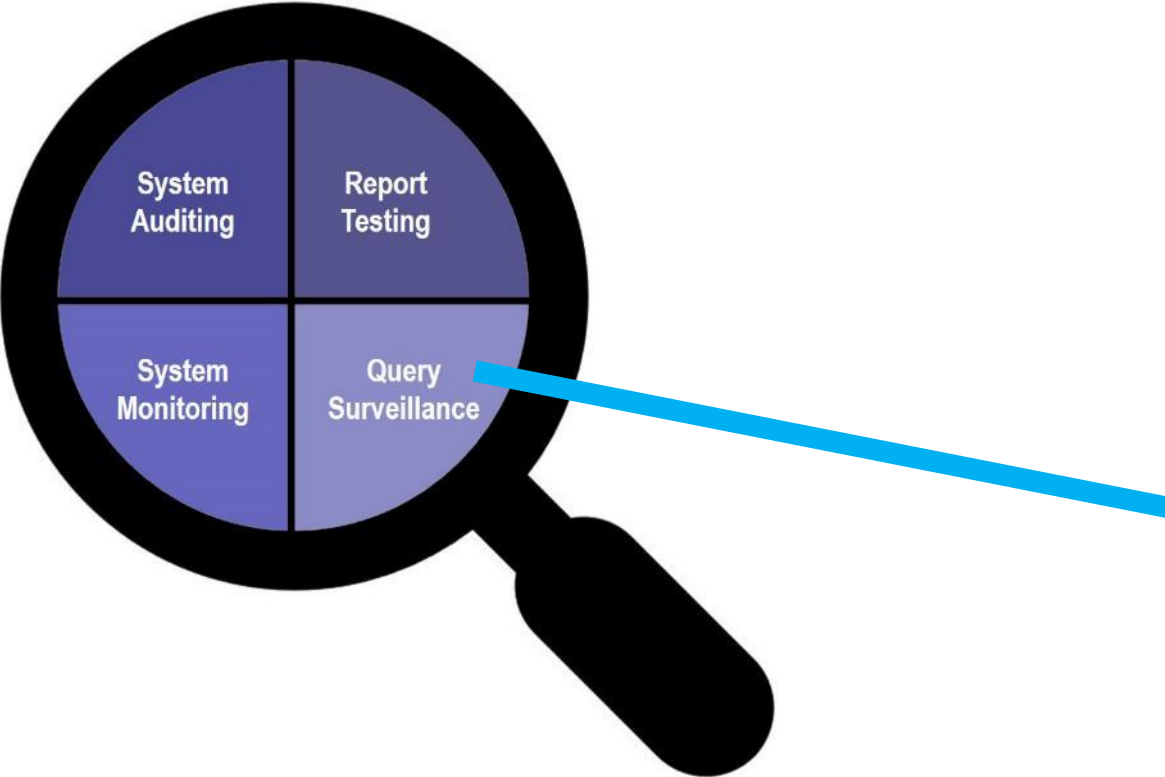
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Flashes of Insight – Report Impact Analysis



Flashes of Insight - Series



- Session 1 – Managing Change
- Session 2 – Performance Analysis
- Session 3 – Usage Analysis
- Session 4 – Automated Report Testing
- Session 5 – Query Management & Governance
- Session 6 – Report Impact Analysis (Today)





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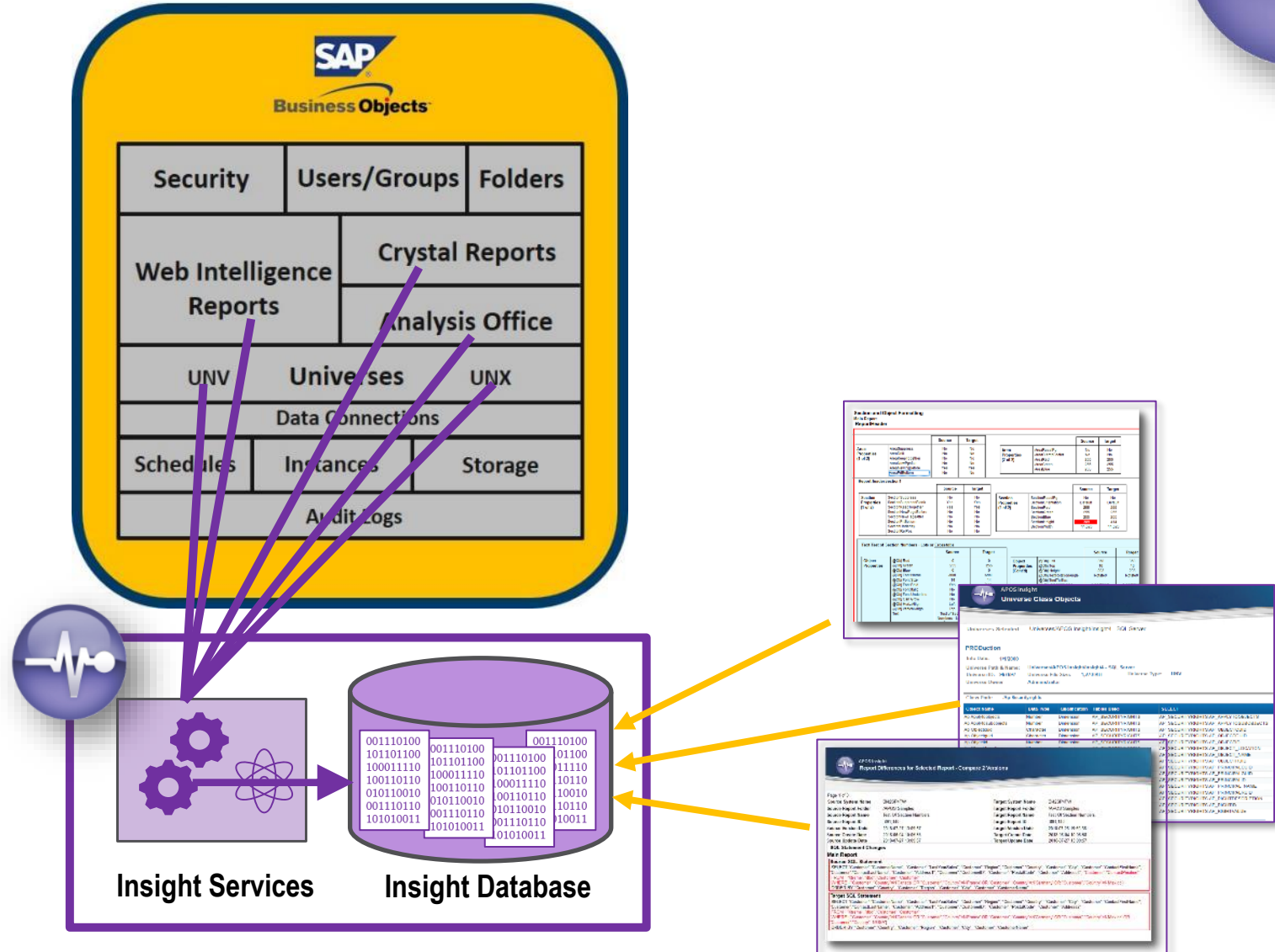


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APOS Insight – Impact Analysis



- Insight Services run deep scans of the SAP BusinessObjects environment
- Insight transforms system data and writes thorough and effective metadata to Insight Database
- Metadata within Insight Database available for granular analysis



Impact Analysis



Database Schema
Changes

Semantic Layer
Modifications

Schedules and Instances



Impact Analysis



Database Schema Changes

- Universe Connections impacted
- Universe Objects impacted
- Reports impacted

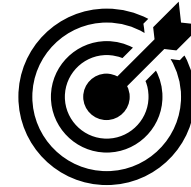
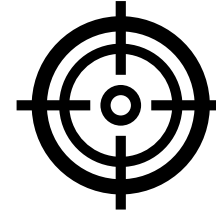


Impact Analysis – Database Schema Changes



Why Important?

- **Stability of Reports**
- **Accuracy of Reports**
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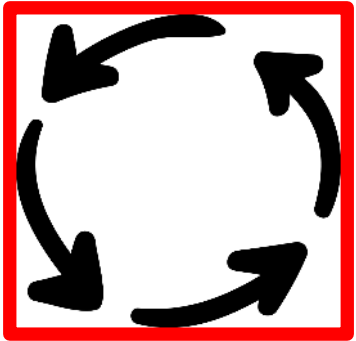


Database Schema Changes



There may be numerous reasons for a database change:

- Updating your database version



**Migrate to
latest version**

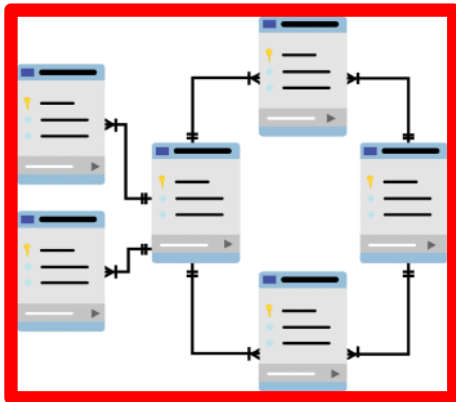
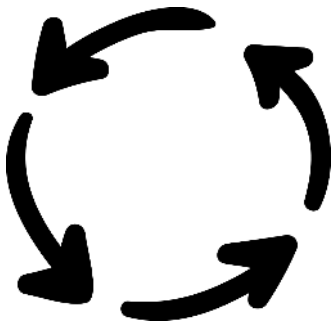


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- Updating your database version
- Updated database schema release from a vendor



Updated DB
Schema

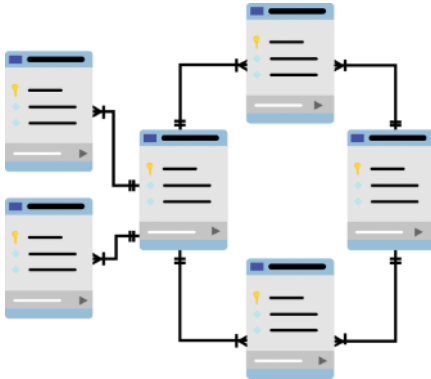
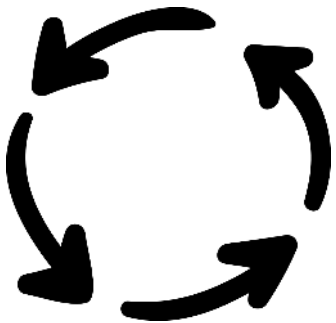


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- Changing from one database manufacturer to another




Change to new
DB vendor



Database Schema Changes



 APOS Insight Univere Impact Analysis - Tables		
System: BI42SP6FW		
Table: Calendar_year_lookup;OrdersDetail		
UniType	Tablename	Folder And Name
UNX	Calendar_year_lookup	Universes/Samples/eFashion.unx
UNX	OrdersDetail	Universes/Fred/Xtreme_UNV.unx
UNX	OrdersDetail	Universes/IDAC_FW/Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx

Search for Web Intelligence documents that use affected tables or fields.

Database Schema Changes



APOS Insight
Search for Fields Used In Reports

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Searched for Field Like *Customer*

Report ID and Name	Enterprise Folder Name
Customer.CUSTOMER_Credit_ID Found in the Following Reports: 3344647-Drilldown	/APOS Testing
Customer.CUSTOMER_ID Found in the Following Reports: 3344647-Drilldown	/APOS Testing
Customer.CUSTOMER_Name Found in the Following Reports: 3344647-Drilldown	/APOS Testing
Customer.CUSTOMERCreditID Found in the Following Reports: 332187-XtremeSales_CRE 332347-Sales for Selected Country.rpt 332648-Orders for California 2146187-SalesByCountry 3227344-Sales Salaries and Commission 3227380-Sales Salaries and Commission 3227765-Sales Salaries and Commission	/APOS Samples /APOS Samples /APOS Samples /APOS BM Testing /APOS Report Distribution /APOS Report Distribution/Revenue and Cost /APOS Report Distrib_XLS/Revenue and Cost_XLS

Search for Crystal Reports that use specific database tables or fields.

Customer Use Cases - Database Schema Changes



Internal driven change

State Government Department

- Updating Bobj and Switch Database Vendors
- Need to track reports that will be affected by change and track down to the field level

Vendor driven change

Large US Healthcare organization

- Regular, ongoing database field changes
- Regular, ongoing Universe changes
- Use Insight for updates from EPIC to provide information on changes for BI team
- Critical to maintain compliance

Impact Analysis



Semantic Layer Modifications

- Calculations modified
- Reports impacted
- Users impacted

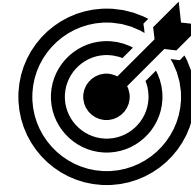
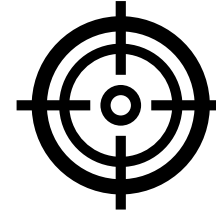


Impact Analysis – Semantic Layer Modifications



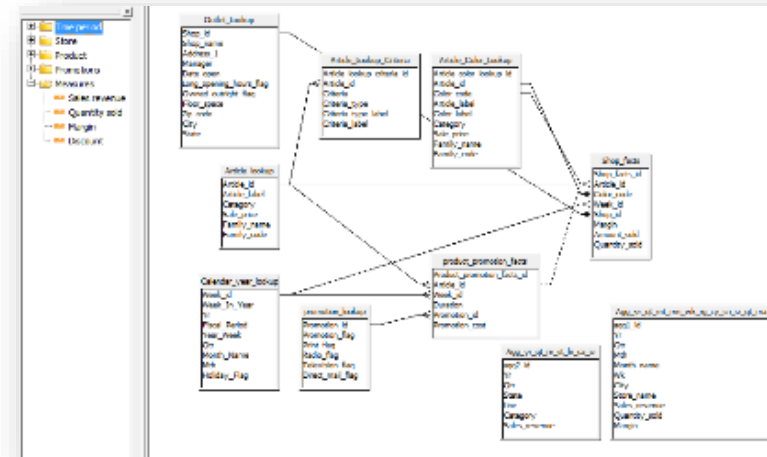
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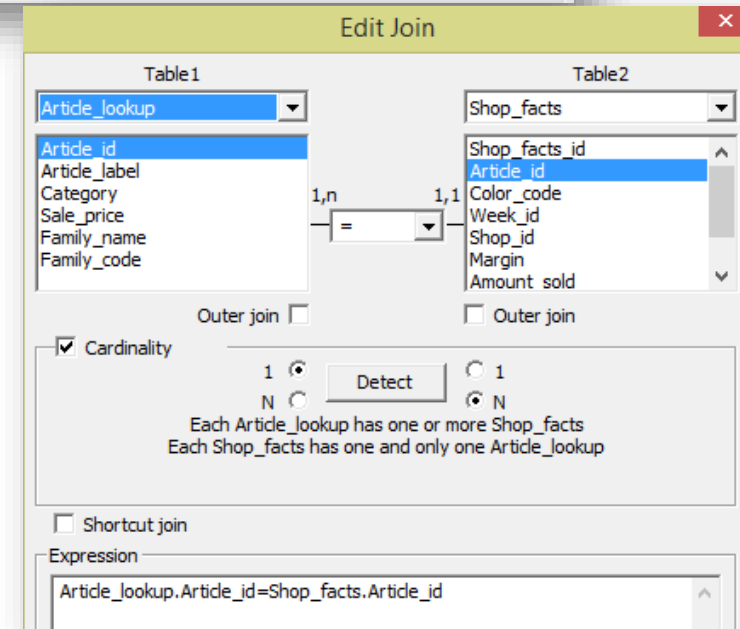
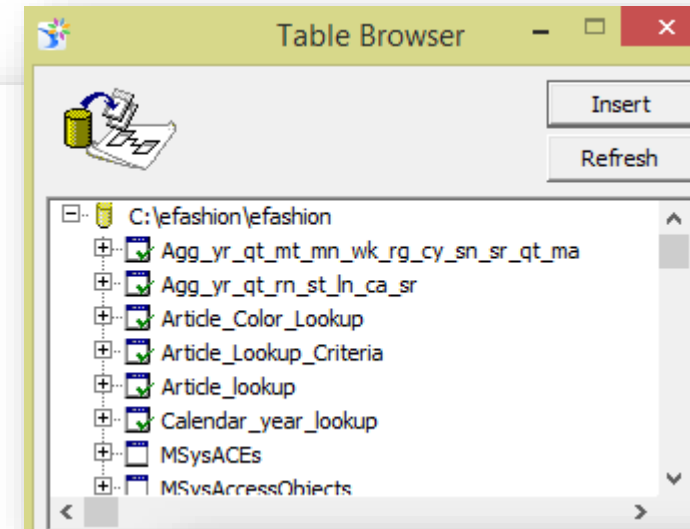
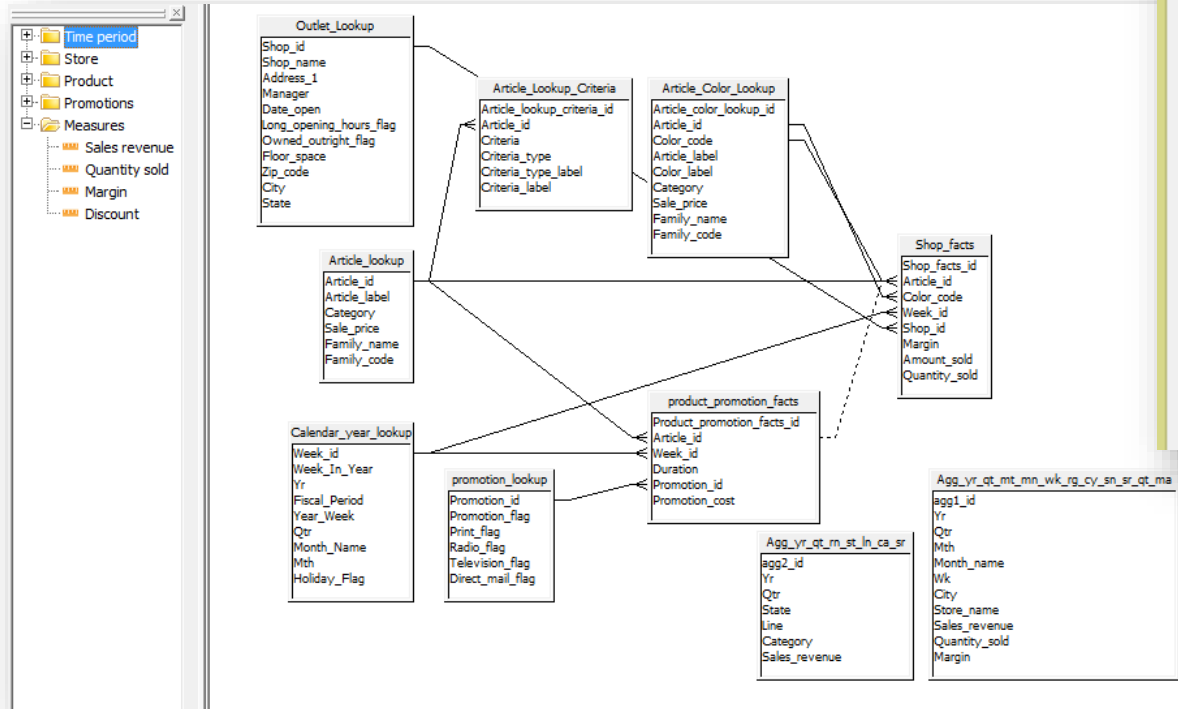


There are many reasons for making changes to the semantic layer:

- Bringing an existing universe up to date
- Migrating from UNV to UNX format
- Modifying Classes, Objects, and Calculations



Semantic Layer Modification



Updating existing universe structures and joins

Semantic Layer Modification



<i>Universe Join Information</i>	
Universe Name	Join Expression
Xtreme_IDAC	dbo.Customer.CustomerID=dbo.Orders.CustomerID
	dbo.Orders.OrderID=dbo.OrdersDetail.OrderID
	dbo.OrdersDetail.ProductID=dbo.Product.ProductID
	dbo.Product.ProductTypeID=dbo.ProductType.ProductTypeID

Updating existing universe structures and joins

Semantic Layer Modification



ReportSource

Samples

eFashion

eFashion

Rio20

Convert .unv U

Delete Universe

Copy Object Pa

Convert .unv Universe

Convert a .unv universe stored in the local file system, or in a repository:

File name	Path	Status
eFashion	/Samples/eFashion	Conversion done

Destination

Keep the same destination folder

Change the destination folder

/Universes/Converted on @BI42SP6FW:6400>

eFashion.blx

Business Layer

Master

eFashion

Time period

Store

Product

Promotions

Measures

Business Layer: eFashion

Name: eFashion

Properties

Query Options

Comments

Core Business Layers

Contents

Custom Properties

Description

eFashion retail Data Warehouse dated 14 Oct 2007. 89,000+ row fact table.

Version 13

Summary...

Change Data Foundation...

Parameters...

Data Foundation: /eFashion/eFashion.unx-2022-06-10-12-08-35/eFashion.dfx

Outlet_Lookup

12 Shop_id

AB Shop_name

AB Address_1

AB Manager

AB Date_open

AB Long_opening_hours_flag

AB Owned_outright_flag

12 Floor_space

12 Zip_code

AB City

AB State

Article_Lookup_Criteria

12 Article_lookup_criteria_id

12 Article_id

AB Criteria

AB Criteria_type

AB Criteria_type_label

AB Criteria_label

Article_Color_Lookup

12 Article_color_lookup_id

12 Article_id

12 Color_code

AB Article_label

AB Color_label

AB Category

12 Sale_price

AB Family_name

Convert a universe from UNV to UNX

Semantic Layer Modification



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Searched for Table: Customer;dbo.Customer				
Searched for Column: All Columns				
System: BI42SP6FW				
Folder: /APOS IDAC Testing				
Report Name	Universe Name	UniType	TableName	ColumnName
Customer Sales From IDAC UNX	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	Country
Customer Sales From IDAC UNX	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	CustomerID
Customer Sales From IDAC UNX	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	LastYearSales
Customer Sales From IDAC UNX	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	Region
Folder: /APOS Samples				
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IDAC_Customers_With_Orders	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	Country
Sales By Country for Xtreme	Xtreme_IDAC_FW.unx	UNX	Customer	Country

Discover which reports are using specific columns

Semantic Layer Modification



Edit Variable

Definition

Name: Type:

Description:

Qualification:

Formula

`=Substr([AP_LOCATION];1;Pos([AP_LOCATION];[SI_NAME])-2) + "/"`

Folder

Name: Type:

Description:


Select:

`SUBSTRING(LTRIM(RTRIM(AP_OBJECTS.AP_Location)), 1, LEN(RTRIM(LTRIM(AP_OBJECTS.AP_Location))) - CHARINDEX('/', REVERSE(LTRIM(RTRIM(AP_OBJECTS.AP_Location)))))`

Create or modify object definitions or calculations in order to have a single version of the truth.

Semantic Layer Modification





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Universe Class Objects

Universes Selected:

Universes/Samples/eFashion;Universes/APOS Insight/Insight4 - SQL Server

BI42SP4FW

Info Date:

1/1/2000

Universe Path & Name:

Universes/APOS Insight/Insight4 - SQL Server

Universe ID:

110728

Universe File Size:

869 KB

Universe Type:

UNV

Universe Owner

Administrator

Object Name	Data Type	Qualification	Tables Used	SELECT	WHERE
AP_UpdateDate	Character	Dimension	"Audit Object Events"	"Audit Object Events".AP_UpdateDate	
AP_UpdateDate DT	Date	Dimension	"Audit Object Events"	convert(datetime,left("Audit Object Events".AP_UpdateDate,8)+' '+ substring("Audit Object Events".AP_UpdateDate,9,2)+' '+substring("Audit Object Events".AP_UpdateDate,11,2)+' '+substring("Audit Object Events".AP_UpdateDate,13,2))	

Search for Objects in universe that need to be modified

Customer Use Case – Semantic Layer Modifications



State Healthcare organization

- Moved from UNV to UNX
- 50 universes that were constantly being updated
- Needed to track changes and make appropriate updates
- Users reports require accuracy and consistency with single layer of truth
- Repointing of Webis to updated universes



Impact Analysis



Schedules and Instances

- Destination changes
- Frequency changes
- Ownership changes

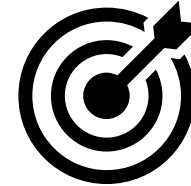
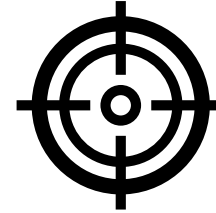


Impact Analysis – Schedules and Instances



Why Important?

- **Stability of Reports**
- **Accuracy of Reports**
- **Efficiency of Reports**
- **User Satisfaction**
- **Governance**
- **Strengthen Controls**
- **Reduce Response Costs**



Schedules and Instances



Detailed information regarding schedules and recurring instances must be readily available.

- Schedule times
- Recurrence
- Destination
- Format
- Ownership
- Etc.



Schedules and Instances



APOS Insight Admin 4.0

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Database ProfilesSMTP ProfilesFrequency ProfilesGeneral ProfilesService ManagementService CommandsSNMP ProfilesScript ProfilesDB Field Reference ImportREST TestingExtended

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Redeploy Services

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Customer Use Case - Schedules and Instances



US Healthcare Provider

- Needed to track and analyze report schedules on the fly
- Make sure the emails recipients and schedules were accurate
- Confirm if any updates needed to be made
- Needed to optimize schedules and have the ability to make those changes





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Deep system knowledge for effective system management



BI System Auditing

- System Inventory
- Security Analysis
- System Usage Analysis
- Report Impact Analysis



BI System Monitoring

- Advanced System Monitoring
- Operating Environment Monitoring
- Database Monitoring
- Process Monitoring



BI Query Surveillance

- Real-time BI Query Monitoring
- Query Performance Alerting & Auditing
- Query Intervention; Remote Cancelling
- Sensitive Data Audit



BI Report Testing

- Automated Report Testing
- Regression Testing
- Validation of Report Data
- Report Performance Testing



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APOS Administrator

Object Management

- Bulk Security Management
- Bulk Settings Management
- System Objects Promotion
- Connections Maintenance

Schedule Management

- High-volume schedule management
- Multiple schedule properties editing
- Grid scheduling interface
- Repeatable scheduling templates

Instance Management

- Manage entire instance inventory
- Granular instance search
- Stop, pause, release, reschedule
- Rapid recovery to failed schedules

Web Intelligence Migration

- Bulk conversion of Universes from UNV to UNX
- High-Volume Repoint Web Intelligence reports
- Success validation
- Controlled, project-based workflow

APOS Storage Center



- System Backup
- Content Archiving
- Content Versioning
- Selective Restoration
- Automated System Clean Up

APOS Publisher

- Systematic Content Delivery
- Advanced Document Bursting
- Enhanced Content Distribution
- Security and Encryption
- Statement Generation



APOS Solutions for SAP Analytics Cloud



APOS Live Data Gateway

- High-performance live data connectivity
- Virtualized, governed, self-service connectivity
- Connect to Relational databases
- Connect to OLAP data sources
- Connect to Cloud data environments
- Connect to SAP Application data

APOS Publisher for Cloud

- Automate secure information delivery
- Deliver timely information
- Create a flexible messaging environment
- Simplify administration
- Use multiple formats & destinations
- Burst stories with multiple filters
- Burst conditionally
- Collate stories
- Personalize PowerPoint bursting



APOS Insight for Cloud

Monitor – tracking & alerting for:

- SAC story performance
- System response measures

Validation automated comparisons across SAC versions of:

- SAC story data
- SAC story performance
- SAC story structure

Impact analysis – granular auditing of SAC story structure metadata

APOS Semantic Layer Migration

- Capture SAP BI Universe data connection and data modelling logic
- Project-based, wizard-driven interface
- Scan your SAP BI content for relevant data connections
- Harmonize SAP BI and HANA data modelling throughout Hybrid BI
- Translate SAP BusinessObjects modelling to SAP HANA Calculation Views
- Translate SAP BusinessObjects modelling to a unified semantic layer



Upcoming Events



SAP BusinessObjects Statement of Direction & Roadmap Update

June 29th , 2022 – 11 am Eastern Time

Join us on this upcoming session where Gregory Botticchio, Director of Analytics Product Management at SAP, will present a very important update regarding the roadmap plans and a new Statement of Direction for SAP BusinessObjects. This update will include important new plans for upcoming versions of SAP BusinessObjects for on-premise deployments, along with information about the significant extension of support timelines for SAP BusinessObjects on premise.

Watch your Inbox for invitation and registration details!



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