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Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis:

Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis is a powerful, Web-based, OLAP analysis, presentation and ad-hoc reporting tool. Web Analysis provides access to application and multi-dimensional data sources such as Hyperion Performance Management applications, Hyperion Essbase, SAP Business Information Warehouse, and Microsoft SQL Server Analysis Services. Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis supports drill-through to relational data sources within a range of flexible display types including grids, charts, pin boards and traffic lighting. Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis shares administration, user management, and installation and configuration support with the other Hyperion EPM products. This common infrastructure provides one point of access for end users to all content while reducing the maintenance required for IT professionals.

Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis (Web Analysis) software is a module of Oracle Business Intelligence Suite Enterprise Edition Plus that delivers powerful, intuitive, Web-based interactive analytics to all corners of the enterprise. A highly graphical and easy-to-use interactive interface, it enables users to view their data in a way that makes sense to them.

Hyperion Web Analysis provides a broad range of flexible, easy to use display types including grids, charts, pin boards, traffic lighting, and personalization. Users have complete control over layouts, formatting, fonts, and colors, as well as a flexible array of output options enabling wide distribution via print, HTML Web pages, PDF, and online viewing.

What's New - Oracle Hyperion Web Analysis, Fusion Edition V.11.1.2 Release Highlights

- Calculation Improvements:
 - o Support for advanced expressions, enabling multiple calculation functions and logical operators to be combined into one calculation
 - o New Absolute Value and Square Root functions
- Formatting Improvements:
 - o Enhanced usability and allow for more simplified member selection in the formatting dialog
 - o Formatting can be applied to the entire spreadsheet, regardless of which members are selected
 - o Ability to change the precedence for Database Connection Measures formatting, User Preferences, and Analysis Tools formatting

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- Dynamic row and column references: Instead of selecting members from the report to define calculations and formatting, you can select a row or column reference, and the calculation or formatting is applied regardless of the member selection
- Printing Improvements:
 - "Print All" open documents in the Web Analysis Studio
 - Workspace "Print to PDF" page setup
- Export and import "Screen" / All Documents to and from Microsoft Office documents
 - Export all report objects to Excel, screen image to Word and PowerPoint
 - Import all report objects to Excel, screen image to Word and PowerPoint

Oracle Hyperion Smart View for Office:

Oracle Hyperion Smart View for Office (Smart View) is a component of Hyperion Foundation Services. Smart View provides a common Microsoft Office interface designed specifically for Oracle's Enterprise Performance Management (EPM) and Business Intelligence (BI). Using Smart View, you can view, import, manipulate, distribute and share data in Microsoft Excel, Word and PowerPoint interfaces. It is a comprehensive tool for accessing and integrating EPM and BI content from Microsoft Office products.

Oracle Hyperion Smart View for Office provides organizations with a highly scalable ad-hoc query tool that allows end users to develop their own reports in Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word and/or Microsoft PowerPoint. By simply dragging and dropping data on the page, rows or columns, data can be "sliced and diced" in exactly the way that end-users need it. Because it's built on Oracle Essbase and/or Hyperion Financial Management, response times are near real-time and allow "speed-of-thought" analysis. Key benefits of Oracle Hyperion Smart View for Office include:

- No coding
- No formulas to get data
- Drag and drop
- Automatic drill-down and drill-up through double-clicking
- Fully integrates with MS Office to leverage formatting, calculations, etc.

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Smart View not only allows users to retrieve data for analysis but also to submit data when permitted through Oracle's integrated security protocol. The ability to submit and retrieve data is what makes what-if and other forecasting scenarios to be quickly and effectively done in Smart View.

By using the simple integration tools, end users can configure quantitative retrievals directly from Oracle Essbase and/or Hyperion Financial Management to populate charts or graphs within Microsoft PowerPoint or Microsoft Word. Quarterly presentations can simply be "refreshed" with the new quarter's information so financial managers and analysts spend their time managing and analyzing data instead of collecting and preparing it for presentation.

Smart View key capabilities:

- Ability to integrate EPM & BI data directly from the data source into Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint, and Microsoft Outlook
- Full ad-hoc and free form analysis capabilities for Hyperion Financial Management, Hyperion Essbase, Hyperion Planning and Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition
- Data access from Relational or Multi-Dimensional sources
- An alternative, Office-based interface for leveraging Hyperion Planning, Hyperion Financial Management, and Hyperion Workforce Planning data entry forms
- Ability to create data perspectives for end users called Smart Slices
- Ability to execute Hyperion reporting jobs from within Office applications
- Ability to dynamically refresh Hyperion data across Office documents with a single click
- Ability to perform selective, multi-page import of documents residing in a Workspace repository into Office documents, including reports created in Financial Reporting, Interactive Reporting, SQR and Web Analysis.
- Point of View (POV) search for efficient, context-based searching
- Support for highly formatted grids in Microsoft Excel
- Support for Hyperion Essbase Visual Explorer (included in the Smart View plug-in) delivering one-click visualizations, bi-directional communication, and linked data views
- Report Creation in Excel, Word and PowerPoint using EPM and BI data
- Comprehensive VBA toolkit for developing custom Office-based analytic interfaces

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Essbase Spreadsheet Add-in:

Essbase Spreadsheet Add-in is a software program that merges seamlessly with Microsoft Excel. After Essbase is installed, a special menu is added to the spreadsheet application. The menu provides enhanced commands such as Connect, Pivot, Drill-down, and Calculate. Users can access and analyze data on Essbase Server by using simple mouse clicks and drag-and-drop operations. Spreadsheet Add-in enables multiple users to access and to update data on Essbase Server simultaneously.

Accesses to information is as simple as clicking on the spreadsheet and navigate with the information in different detail levels (drill down, drill up) or select a pivot and rapidly change columns for rows and rows for columns with the mouse. It also allows seeing new information categories or updating it directly from the spreadsheet.

The most important tip is that Hyperion Essbase Spreadsheet Add-in doesn't require knowing programming languages. You must only click on the cells, write directly on the spreadsheet or use the menus to execute analysis OLAP applications.

Oracle Hyperion Financial Reports:

Oracle Hyperion Financial Reporting (Financial Reporting) is a module of Oracle Business Intelligence Suite Enterprise Edition Plus that enables book-quality financial management and reporting targeted at meeting the unique requirements of the Finance department or any functional area that requires very highly formatted multidimensional reporting. This financial reporting solution can use Hyperion Financial Management, Hyperion Planning, Hyperion Essbase, as well as SAP BW and Microsoft SQL Server Analysis Services as data sources.

Financial Reporting provides conditional suppression and automatic calculations that can be used to focus and filter reports. A graphical, object-based interface enables the rapid creation of reports that combine grids of data and text, charts, graphs, and images. A library of reusable report components simplifies and streamlines the process of building and maintaining complex reports. Users have complete control over layouts, formatting, fonts, and colors, as well



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as a flexible range of output options enabling wide distribution via print, HTML Web pages, PDF, and online viewing. A scalable, cross-platform report server facilitates easy deployment to large user communities. Lastly, reports and books can be dynamically scheduled, with the ability to generate and email separate report outputs for members in a dimension (bursting).

Financial Reporting shares common administration, user management, installation, and configuration support with other Hyperion BI tools. This common infrastructure provides one point of access for end users to all content while reducing the maintenance required for IT professionals.

What's New - Oracle Hyperion Financial Reporting, Fusion Edition V.11.1.2 Release Highlights

- Annotations:
 - A comprehensive set of annotation functionality that enables users to freely collaborate, save facts and findings in their reports, and access tools to readily manage annotations across their systems
 - This commentary is available interactively through the Hyperion Workspace and is equally accessible through printed output
 - Provides a unified read-only mechanism for the Hyperion Financial Management and Hyperion Planning commentary (for example, Cell Text, Cell File Attachments)
- Initial User Preferences for Financial Reporting can be defined for all users
- External files in Books - In addition to including reports and snapshot reports, a Book can now include PDF files, text files, and Excel, PowerPoint, or Word files
- Improved Book PDF navigation
 - Links in Table of Contents
 - Bookmark links in PDF document
- Support for Hyperion Planning "Suppress Missing Blocks" feature

The products listed in this review document can address the majority of business user's requirements. Each reporting solution has various strengths and weakness, which are determined by the end-user's requirements. Oracle Web Analysis, Smart View, Essbase Spreadsheet Add-In, Financial Reports are Oracle products that are developed, supported and sold separately.

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