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# IBM WebSphere DataStage Course Contents:

### Data Warehousing – An Overview

- Data Warehouse Definition
- OLTP vs OLAP
- Data Warehouse Process Overview
- Staging Area
- Datamart

## **DWH – Design Concept**

- Star schema
- Snowflake schema
- Fact constellations

#### **Data modeling techniques**

- E/R modeling
- Dimensional modeling

#### Database design methodology for data warehouses

## Case Study: Real time Retail industry scenario DWH design

### **Datastage tool Overview**

- Datastage Server
- Datastage Parallel Extender
- Comparison between Datastage Server Vs Parallel

#### **Introduction to Datastage PX**

- DataStage Architecture
- DataStage Clients
  - Designer
  - Director
  - Administrator

#### **DataStage Workflow (Runtime architecture)**

#### Types of DataStage Job

- Parallel Jobs
- Server Jobs
- Job Sequence

## **Setting up DataStage Environment**

- DataStage Administrator Properties
- Defining Environment Variables
- Importing Table Definitions

## **Creating Parallel Jobs**

- Design a simple Parallel job in Designer
- Compile your job
- Run your job in Director
- View the job log
- Command Line Interface (dsjob)



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#### **Accessing Sequential Data**

- Sequential File stage
- Data Set stage
- Create jobs that read from and write to sequential files
- Read from multiple files using file patterns
- Use multiple readers
- Null handling in Sequential File Stage

#### **Platform Architecture**

- Describe parallel processing architecture Describe pipeline &
- Partition parallelism
- List and describe partitioning and collecting algorithms
- Describe configuration files
- Explain OSH & Score

### **Sorting and Aggregating Data**

- Sort data using in-stage sorts and Sort stage
- Combine data using Aggregator stage
- Remove Duplicates stage

#### **Combining Data**

- Combine data using the Lookup stage
- Combine data using merge stage
- Combine data using the Join stage
- Combine data using the Funnel stage

#### **Transforming Data**

- Understand ways DataStage allows you to transform data
- Create column derivations using user defined code and system functions
- Filter records based on business criteria
- Control data flow based on data conditions

#### **Working with Relational Data**

- Import Table Definitions for relational tables.
- Create Data Connections.
- Use SQL Builder to define SQL Select statements.
- Use SQL Builder to define SQL Insert and Update statements.
- Use the DB2 Enterprise stage.

#### **Metadata in Parallel Framework**

- Explain schemas.
- Create schemas.
- Explain Runtime Column Propagation (RCP).
- Build a job that reads data from a sequential file using a schema

#### Job Control

- Checkpoint/Restart
- Looping
- Expression Support
- User Variables Stage
- Automatically Handling Aborts
- Terminator Stage ~ aborting a sequence
- Enhanced Variable Support



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Enhancements to other activity stages:

## Performance tuning techniques

### **DataStage Tips and Tricks**

## Best practices overview

- Standards
- Development guidelines
- Component usage
- DataStage Data Types
- Partitioning data
- Collecting data
- Sorting
- Stage specific guidelines

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