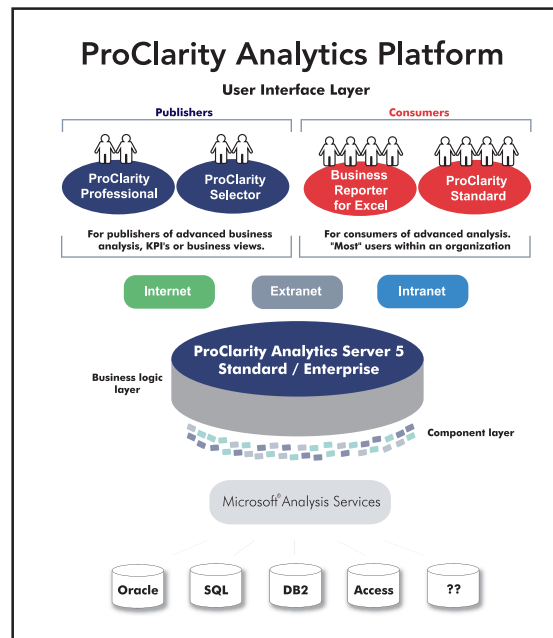




Businesses face rapid transitions in the competitive and technological landscape. Timely, fact-based decision-making is critical to achieving success within this environment. The ProClarity® Analytics Server sits at the heart of the decision-making process and significantly enhances an organization's ability to efficiently respond to business change. Hassle-free access to data, comprehensive functionality for conducting analyses and the ability to easily share results with colleagues are the essential elements of its features. Centralized distribution of software furthers productivity gains in deployment while collaborative features help propagate best practices across the enterprise. Uniform definitions of performance measures promotes 'one version of the truth' within an organization. The ability to customize ProClarity means your analytic application can evolve with your organization and be tailored to match business processes. A flexible and robust security model permits information sharing and ensures data is accessible only on a need-to-know basis.



Architecture

The Server is a middle tier component that runs in the Windows environment. It forms the hub of our analytics solution. Users adopt a publish and consume model to deploy their analyses. Access to information is typically enabled through a browser and can span the company firewall. Both Internet Explorer and Netscape browsers are supported.

The Server is built entirely from components made available in the ProClarity Analytics Platform. This platform is a fully documented, object-oriented development environment that via an SDK, is available for complete customization. Organizations wishing to tailor their end-user experience to suit various levels of skills can use this SDK to customize their deployment – on both the Server and the user interface implementations.



ProClarity's Decomposition Tree

Recommended Hardware:

Pentium class processor 256 MB RAM
Server-class multiprocessor 512 MB RAM
16-bit color video driver

SQL Server and Other Software:

SQL Server 2000 Analysis Services,
Service Pack 2

Enterprise Edition SQL Server
is required for HTTP access

Supported Browsers:

IE 5.01-IE 6.0
Netscape 4.7

Deploying ProClarity Analytics Server

ProClarity is designed on a 'publish' and 'consume' model. Users deploying a thin implementation can consume information published in briefing books. Consumers typically include line of business managers and knowledge workers who not have advanced analytic skills. Functionality includes drill to detail, view charts and grids, interactively sort and filter data and interpret data using ProClarity's patented decomposition tree (see left). All of this is available through a simple menu-driven, browser style interface.

For people whose job responsibility includes advanced and sophisticated business analysis, ProClarity Analytics Server can be deployed in a 'rich' configuration. Enhanced features include: the ability to traverse dimensions, create custom sets and measures and to publish results and findings back to the ProClarity Server for company wide consumption. ProClarity Analytics Server is designed to simplify the task of performing complex analyses on large databases. A stand-alone desktop client is available for users who wish to work in an offline mode.

The overall benefit: dissemination of knowledge and analytic best practices throughout an organization leading to improved business processes and timely decision making.

ProClarity Power Options

Business Reporter for Excel

This Excel add-in offers users the ability to easily integrate multidimensional data from ProClarity into their familiar spreadsheet environment. Wizards step users through the process of importing or exporting data from ProClarity into an Excel Workbook. Cells containing the imported data can be used just like regular data in charts & calculations and formatted while still retaining a live connection to the data cube. Updating the information is as easy as opening a workbook or a

Selector

The Selector provides analysts with the capability to do sophisticated analysis. This optional Add-In provides an easy-to-use, menu driven interface that helps a user build complex queries without any knowledge of the underlying programming language. Results of the analyses can be saved on the ProClarity Analytics Server for sharing with other users. The sharing is enabled as a specific dataset or as a series of reusable business logic. In this manner, an enterprise is able to easily propagate the expertise of a few individuals and develop company-wide best practices that contribute significantly towards improved decision-making.

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