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Das Buch richtet sich primdr an Designer und Informations-Manager im Umfeld von Data-Warehouse-Anwendungen. Diese Zielgruppe erhdlt Ratschldge und Handlungsanleitungen, um deren Anforderungen optimal zu bewdltigen. Dabei ist der ganzheitliche Ansatz zu betonen, der eine evolutiondre Weiterentwicklung besser als singuldre Schnellsch]sse unterst]tzen kann. auch der zugrundeliegende Architekturcharakter trdgt zur Festigung dieser Intension bei. Zu knapp werden die Themen Data Mining und Parallelverarbeitung angesprochen; ebenfalls fehlen zur Vertiefung weiterf]hrende Literaturhinweise. Insbesondere SMP und MPP bieten f]r die praktische Realisierung wichtige Unterst]tzungshilfen. Wobei zur Verbesserung der Performance die Fdhigkeit einiger DBMS Abfragen zu optimieren und parallel zu verarbeiten n]tzlich ist.
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With substantial new and updated content, this second edition of *The Data Warehouse Lifecycle Toolkit* again sets the standard in data warehousing for the next decade. It shows you how to:

- Identify and prioritize data warehouse opportunities
- Create an architecture plan and select products
- Design a powerful, flexible, dimensional model
- Build a robust ETL system
- Develop BI applications to deliver data to business users
- Deploy and sustain a healthy DW/BI environment

The authors are members of the Kimball Group. Each has focused on data warehousing and business intelligence consulting and education for more than 15 years; most have written other books in the Toolkit

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