

Class Name: *Metadata Modeling with IBM Cognos Framework Manager*
Level: Intermediate
Duration: 2.0 days
Audience: SMEs, Business Analysts, BI Professionals
PreReqs: Cognos Report Authoring Experience
Description: Advanced topics in Metadata Modeling and utilizing additional features of Framework Manager. Each module concludes with a bullet-point summary quick reference, extensive hands on exercises, and a multi-choice and fill-in-the-blank skills test

Outline: Module Description Time in Hours

DAY 1

- Using System Parameters in the Project 2.75
 - Environment Parameters
 - Model Session Parameters
 - Uses of Session and Model Parameters in the Project
 - Create prompt Macros
 - Uses of CSV parameters in the Project
- Package Security 1.75
 - Set permissions on first publish
 - Set permissions after publish
 - Permissions on Package elements based on user permissions
- Model Maintenance 2.00
 - Package deployment and modification techniques
 - Use Publish Impact
 - Review Project or Query Subject verification
 - Synchronize projects
- Manage Packages 2.00
 - Modify created Packages
 - Adding additional languages and Function Sets
 - Understand purpose of version controls
 - Nest Packages

DAY 2

- Tune FM Models 2.00
 - Apply Governors
 - The Run-Time Model (RTM)
 - Metadata Caching
 - Control where queries are processed
 - Customize Function definitions
- Advanced SQL and Understanding Complex Queries 2.75
 - Review FM generated SQL
 - Create Data Items with custom SQL
 - Examine derived tables
 - Understand use of Coalesce in queries
 - The difference of Conformed –vs- Non Conformed Dimensions
 - View and configure XSUM and RSUM
 - Compare Relational and Dimensional FM generated SQL
 - Create a Model Report

• Multi-Modeler Environment	1.00
- Overview of Repository options (CVS/SCCS)	
- Outsource Query Subjects with Segments	
- Import external Project Query Subjects with Links	
• Advanced Topics	2.25
- Create Custom Data Items	
- Documenting Packages for Authors	
- Member Sorting	
- Display Cube Sizes	
- Add Burst Tables into a Project	
- Change Data Source Connections	
Approximate Total Time	8.00 hrs

DAY 2

• Developing the Project	2.00
- Understand relevant table relationships	
- Merge tables into Query Subjects	
- Create Fact Table Query Subjects	
• The Time Dimension	.75
- Purpose of the Time Dimension	
- Uses of alternate time dimensions	
- Create alternate time dimensions	
- Create Fact Table Query Subjects	
• Create the Relational View	1.00
- Transform the Consolidation View to the Relational View	
- Using the Star Schema Grouping Wizard	
- Aliases –vs- Shortcuts	
• Add Calculations and Filters	1.50
- Create new Facts with mathematical calculations	
- Create new Query Items with textual calculations	
- Use Functions in Calculations	
- Add Filters into Projects	
- Create Model Filters	
- Create built-in prompt filters	
• Determinants	.75
- Understanding the importance of Determinants	
- Apply determinants to the Time Dimension	
• Create the Dimensional View	1.50
- Use the Dimensional creation wizard	
- Validating the model	
- Ensure proper Fact roll-ups	
• Understanding Member Unique Names (MUNs)	.50
- MUN Types & Design	
- Changes that affect MUNs in reports	
Approximate Total Time	8.00 hrs
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