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Announcement Topics

November has been an activity filled month. We spent a good part the month putting the final touches on the Data Interoperability Workshop as well as reviewing and updating ten different courses, papers, and work plans all of which are associated with engineering interoperable data environments. Near completion is the 2nd edition of the DBMS Technology textbook and course. The book and course are about 500 pages each. All these updated materials are available to Whitemarsh website members.

SQL 200n

The most recent meeting of the ANSI INCITS H2 Technical Committee was a Telecon meeting to review the final set of technical positions and papers for the ISO meeting in Wellington, New Zealand. We approved the Oracle Corporation contribution of the re-description of Cursors. It is some great work, and we all look forward to its completion. If these materials are accepted by ISO then a new set of SQL 200n documents should be available about March, 2006.

WisWeb Members Section

As stated last month, we had reviewed and updated the Whitemarsh Metabase Methodology. We tuned-up the section regarding data models adding work steps for specified, implemented, and operational data models, and revised the work steps for database objects. The updated methodology has been published on the website for all members.

During November, we reviewed and tuned up the following additional materials.

- Achieving Data Standardization Long Talk_-_course
- Achieving Data Standardization Short Talk_-_course
- Achieving Enterprise Wide Data Semantics Standardization_-_course
- A Column By Any Other Name is Not a Data Element Presentation_-_Course
- A Column By Any Other Name Is Not a Data Element Presentation_-_paper
- A Column by Any Other Name is Not a Data Element Presentation Short_-_course
- An Old Saw That Just Wont Cut_-_paper



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- An Old Saw That Just Wont Cut-Software Implementation Report_-_paper
- Data Standardization Work Plan_-_paper
- The Data Standardization Problem_-_course

We fully expect to complete the DBMS Technology book and course, about 500 pages each. All these materials are described on the Whitemarsh website.

Data Interoperability Course and Workshop Announcement

Whitemarsh announces the Data Interoperability Workshop. These workshops are for organizations searching for a methodology and strategy to integrate data across legacy systems. These workshops provide hands-on activities wherein common, shared data is discovered and database designs about the shared data are created.

Workshop attendees return home not only ready to put into action what they learned in class, but with all the necessary tools to carry out that work in hand. Students return with a production class CASE/Repository system that can import SQL schemas, model shared data, set the shared data within contexts of missions, organizations, and functions, and finally generate SQL schemas about the discovered shared data.

Workshop attendees work in five teams of three. They work together discovering shared data and building shared-data solutions. They return home not only with the CASE/Repository system but also with the workshop created solutions.

This Data Interoperability Workshop exists in two forms: *Lectures-only*, and *Lectures & Workshops*. The first is two full days and the second is five full days.

These workshops are based on the best of breed industry techniques and strategies that have been honed over the past 20 years. The materials and workshops are fast, comprehensive, and effective. Students actually produce a shared data specification from five commonly seen legacy-system based data models. The shared data specification not only results in an SQL schema but also in a code-generated database application that reflects the SQL schema.

The workshop is backed by detailed methodologies, step-by-step procedures, and comprehensive texts that the students take home (PDF on a CD) for immediate use. Students return with the



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production-class metadata CASE/Repository, class lecture notes, workbook, and the class workshop results.

This workshop was originally commissioned by the Office of the CIO of the U.S. Army and satisfies the requirements of the Army Regulation 25-1 (paragraphs 4-7 through 4-12), and the Army's PAM 25-1-1, Chapter 5. The course also follows the inferred requirements set down by the DoD's Net Centric Data Strategy, and within the DoD Directive 8320.2, "Data Sharing in a Net-Centric Department of Defense."

We invite you to check out the Whitemarsh website (www.wiscorp.com) that further describes the Data Interoperability Workshop, including dates and registration procedures. Attendance is strictly limited to 15 per workshop. We look forward to your attendance.

