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Sybase Unveils Analytic Appliance

The new product combines the Sybase IQ database with IBM's System P hardware and MicroStrategy business intelligence software.

By **Antone Gonsalves**
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Sybase plans to release in the summer an analytic appliance that combines the company's [IQ database](#) with IBM's System P hardware and Microstrategy [business intelligence](#) software.

Like other similar products in the market, [the Sybase Analytic Appliance](#) provides a way for companies to avoid expensive upgrades by reducing the workload of data warehouses, data marts and reporting systems. The product comes with a console for appliance management and monitoring and pre-configured hardware, [software](#) and storage.

Key features of the appliance include an integrated extract, transform and load tool for moving data into the appliance from multiple data stores. The device also reads the source [data warehouse](#) schemas and automatically generates the target appliance schema. Optional data models for the financial, healthcare, banking, insurance and telecommunication industries are also available.

In addition, the appliance provides high-speed [backup](#) and restore for system reliability and comes with a 10-user license for MicroStrategy's BI software. Finally, the product's console includes [database](#) administration and system management tools and provides an "easy-to-use" graphical user [interface](#) for permissions, monitoring, diagnostics, trouble-shooting and other administrative functions. Sybase also offers remote management services for companies that prefer not to handle those functions in-house.

An early adopter edition of the appliance is available today. Sybase plans to ship a starter, standard and enterprise edition this summer. Pricing starts at \$27,000. The new product is sold and supported systems integrator mLogica.

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