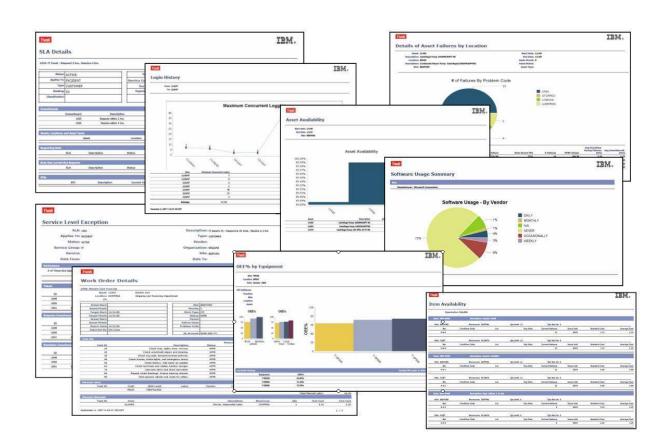




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# V7.5 Reporting

To respond to today's dynamic Business Environment critical business information needs to be immediately available. This business information can come in a variety of formats, and is often required as a report - either a formatted business report, known as an Enterprise report, or an Ad Hoc report which is created on the fly by users.

IBM Maximo ® includes an Open Reporting Architecture, which enables you a number of different reporting options to choose from. The report options have been significantly enhanced in Maximo 7.5 and include a wide range of reporting tools.

The embedded reporting tool in the Maximo 7.5 Releases is BIRT, Business Intelligence and Reporting. As the embedded reporting tool, it enables the deepest levels of integrations throughout the various Maximo applications.

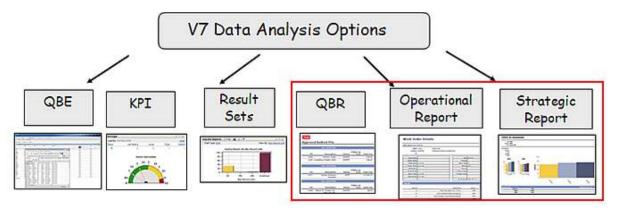
This guide details the processes in developing BIRT Reports using the BIRT Report Designer. This includes how report designs are utilized in V7.5, including their file structure of design, library and property files. Additionally, information on customizing, importing, and exporting are discussed.

Also, references to other support documentation detailing common report development customizations, including report logging, implementing barcodes and changing report logos are referenced.

\*Note: This document applies only to the embedded report tool in the Maximo® Base Services 7.5 Releases.

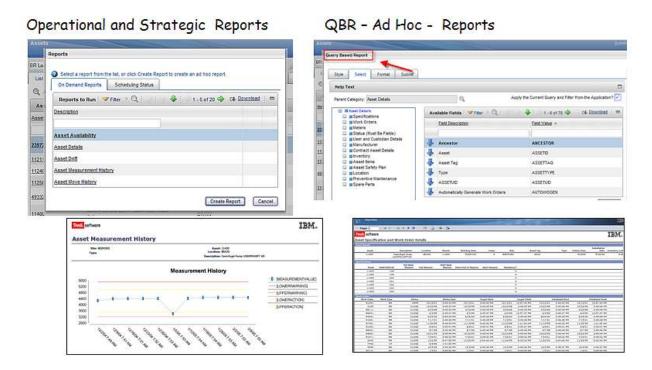
# Report Types

Within the Version 7.5 release, there are a number of different data analysis options. Of these options, three are specifically focused on reporting which are highlighted in red below.



Operational reports are often referred to as transactional reporting, and are the day to day reports users require to complete their business tasks. Strategic reports enable viewing of data in varying perspectives thru the use of complex graphs, in depth calculations or scenarios. Both of these are created by a Developer in the report design tool. Ad hoc, or QBR, reports are created by users within the applications, and are not required to be created within the report design tool.

This guide focuses on Operational and Strategic reports. Information on Ad Hoc (QBR or Query Based Reports) reports is contained in a separate document titled 'V75 QBR Ad Hoc Reporting'. Links to all reference materials are noted on the last pages of this document.

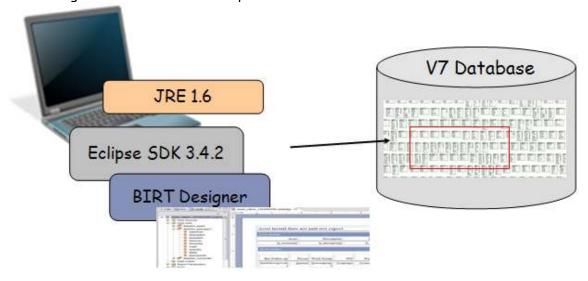


# Installation and Configuration

The BIRT Designer is an Eclipse Based Tool that Java Developers use to create and customize V7.5 Enterprise reports. In V7.5, BIRT Designer 2.3.2 is used, which is based on Eclipse 3.4.2.

To enable the report integration, custom library, style sheet, templates and data sources have been created. These files insure a consistent, look and feel for all reports, plus most importantly, insure that reports will execute correctly from the various applications. These files must be used on all custom reports to insure the report integration executes properly.

The BIRT Designer is installed on the client machine of the Java Developer(s) who will be creating or customizing reports. It is not required to be on each user's machine - only those users who will be creating or customizing reports. Since the BIRT Designer executes off the Eclipse Framework, Eclipse must first be installed on the Java Developers Workstation, and then the BIRT Designer is installed within Eclipse. The client must also have a JRE version installed.



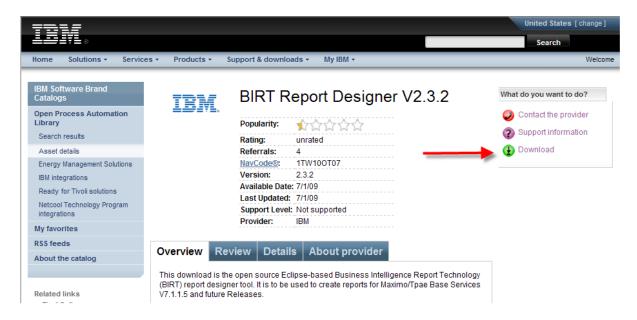
This first section will detail the installation and configuration of the BIRT designer for use in Version 7.5, including:

- 1. Report Designer Download
- 2. Setting up the Report Designer to work with V7.5
- 3. Configure Properties File
- 4. Accessing the BIRT Designer
- 5. Importing V75 Project
- 6. Common Configuration and Install Issues

# 1. Report Designer Download

Before beginning the installation, make sure a copy of IBM JDK 1.6 (6.0) has been installed locally.

To utilize the BIRT Report Designer, it must first be downloaded to your local client machine. The download for BIRT 2.3.2 with Eclipse 3.4.2 (V7.5 and later releases) can be found here: http://www.ibm.com/software/tivoli/opal?NavCode=1TW100T07



Extract the zip file to a local directory which does not include any spaces (for example:  $C: Virt_232$ )

# 2. Setting up the Report Designer to work within V7.5

After downloading and extracting the report designer, in this section, you will copy over files from Version 7.5 to the report designer.

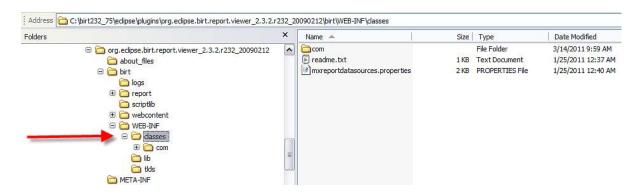
# **Prerequisites**

To perform the next steps, you will need a local copy of V7.5 or higher, with the report source.

- 2A. Locate the compiled classes used for the V75 Report Scripting from your copy of V7.5 located in:
- <V75>\reports\birt\scriptlibrary\classes
- 2B. Navigate to the Eclipse BIRT location below
- <birt\_232>\eclipse\plugins\org.eclipse.birt.report.viewer\_2.3.2.r232\_20090212\birt\WEB-INF

Copy the entire V75 \classes folder from step 2A to this Eclipse directory. This will create a new directory as shown below

<birt\_232>\eclipse\plugins\org.eclipse.birt.report.viewer\_2.3.2.r232\_20090212 \birt\WEB-INF\classes



2C. Copy the specific JDBC driver for your database type from <V75>\applications\maximo\lib

#### to:

eclipse\plugins\org.eclipse.birt.report.viewer\_2.3.2.r232\_20090212\birt\WEB-INF\lib

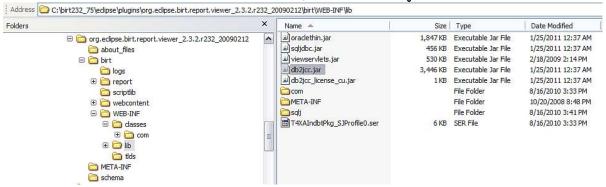
For Oracle, copy/paste oraclethin.jar
For SQL Server, copy/paste sqljdbc.jar
For DB2, copy/paste db2jcc.jar and db2jcc\_license\_cu.jar

These database drivers are only used by the report designer.

2D. Open the Jar files from Step 2C above for your specific database type and extract the contents of the jar file to

<eclipse>\plugins\orq.eclipse.birt.report.viewer\_2.3.2.r232\_20090212\birt\WEB-INF\classes

The screen shot below is for a DB2 environment, where the DB2 jar files have been extracted.



Note: If you see an exception error like 'ClassNotFound' in BIRT Designer after following these steps, double check that you have extracted the jar files properly in step 2D. Not extracting the jar files will cause a 'ClassNotFound' Error.

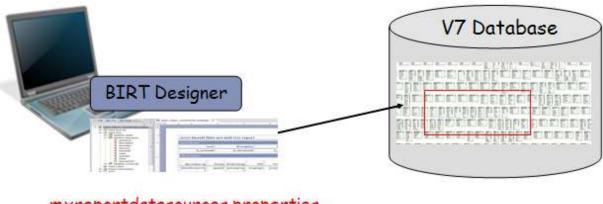
# 3. Configure Properties file

The mxreportdatasources.properties file is used to define the connection to the V75 database from the BIRT Designer client tool. It is only used for database access within the report design tool. When V75 Reports are executed from within the V75 Applications, their connection information will be passed dynamically from V75.

Typically, this file is enabled for developers in two different ways -

- 1. It is configured by an administrator and then distributed to each developer for his use.
- 2. It is configured by the developer himself.

The database that is typically used in this configuration is a test or development database. It is not the production, transactional database.



mxreportdatasources.properties

This section will review the various ways this property file can be configured.

#### Properties File Values

The mxreportdatasources.properties file contains information for the report designer to connect to your V75 database. You copied this file in step 2B to your local Eclipse BIRT Directory. You now need to edit this property file for your unique configuration. The values you need to define include

Database URL
Database Driver
Database Username and Password
Schema Owner

Additionally, you will need to change #<DataSourceName> to maximoDataSource.

Portions of the property file are shown below. An example of how you will configure it is shown below with sample values for a DB2 database in the outlined area.

#<DataSourceName>.cpropertyName>=value # driver for ORACLE # oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver # sample url for ORACLE # jdbc:oracle:thin:@<HOST>:<PORT>:<SID> # sample schemaowner for ORACLE # maximo # driver for SQLServer # com.microsoft.sqlserver.jdbc.SQLServerDriver # sample url for SQLServer # jdbc:sqlserver://hostname:port;databaseName=dbname;integratedSecurity=false; # sample schemaowner for SQLServer # dbo # driver for DB2 # com.ibm.db2.jcc.DB2Driver # sample url for DB2 # jdbc:db2://localhost:50000/dbalias # sample schemaowner for DB2 # maximo

```
maximoDataSource.url= jdbc:db2://IBM-A5:50000/DB2A
maximoDataSource.driver=com.ibm.db2.jcc.DB2Driver
maximoDataSource.username=wilson
maximoDataSource.password=wilson
maximoDataSource.schemaowner=maximo
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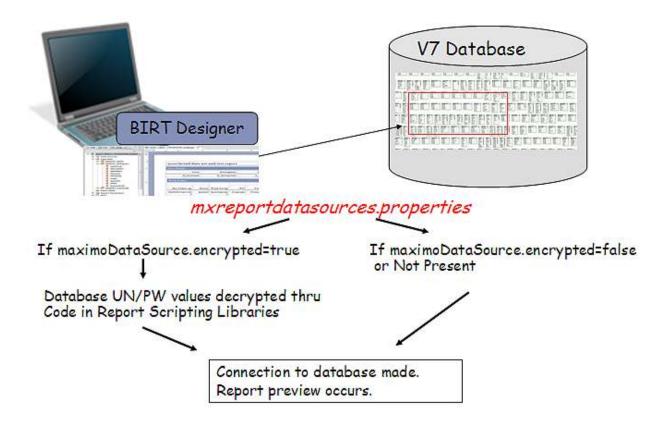
The values in green are the default for all reports, and you must use this text exactly.

The values in red represent a sample DB2 database.

#### Database username and Password

Within the mxreportdatasources.properties file, you define the database username and password for the report developer. This enables the developer to preview the report results within the report design tool to confirm the report is functioning correctly.

You can choose to either input these values directly into the properties file, or you can choose to encrypt the values.



#### Property File Encryption

To encrypt the username and password values within the mxreportdatasources.properties file, follow the steps below:

- 1. Define the username and password values in mxreportdatasource.properties.
- 2. Open up a command prompt. Navigate to the location < V75>\reports\birt\tools and execute encryptproperties.bat. This utility will
  - A. Encrypt the username and password values
  - B. Add a value to the property file called: maximoDataSource.encrypted=true
- 3. Once the username and password is encrypted, you can distribute it to your developer(s) for use in their local environment.

After the encryption process, the property file will be updated to values similar to what is shown below.

```
maximoDataSource.encrypted=true
maximoDataSource.schemaowner=maximo
maximoDataSource.username=YaNJYGUPFrc\=
maximoDataSource.url=jdbc\:db2\://IBM-A5\:50000/DB2A
maximoDataSource.password=mEWNeVcBRfuBL54acL+JSg\=\=
maximoDataSource.driver=com.ibm.db2.jcc.DB2Driver
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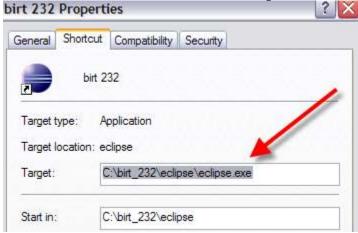
#### Notes on properties file

- 1. The encryption process adds escape characters to the URL, which do not affect its value
- 2. The encryption process only encrypts values identified by maximoDataSource values
- 3. You may not want to grant each report developer full database access by using the system maximo database user privileges as the developer creates and test report designs. Instead, you may want the developer to have restricted database access. This restriction usually requires that the report developer be granted 'read only' access to a limited number of database objects. To do this, a unique database user is required. Details in how to do this can be found in later in this guide in the section titled 'Report Developer Database Access'.

# 4. Accessing the Report Design Tool

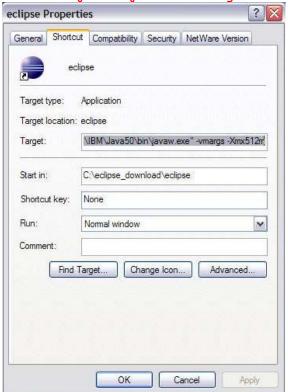
These next steps detail how you will access the Report Designer.

4A. First, create a shortcut to BIRT Designer 232 from eclipse.exe.

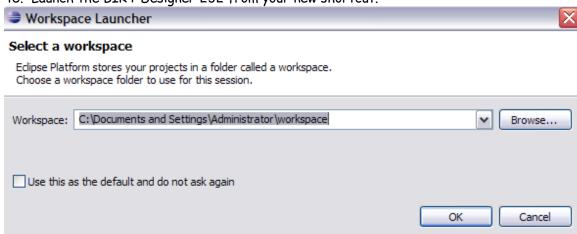


4B. Update the shortcut's target to include your JDK 1.6 install by modifying the path highlighted in red below.

C:\eclipse\_download\BIRT\eclipse\eclipse.exe -vm "C:\Program Files\IBM\Java60\jre\bin\java.exe" -vmargs -Xmx512m



4C. Launch the BIRT Designer 232 from your new shortcut.



4D. Select an applicable workspace location for your environment. Check 'Use this as default' field and OK.



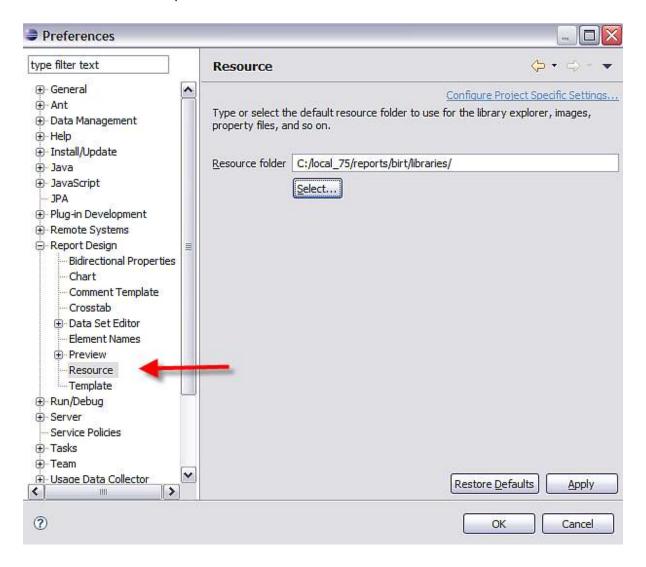
# 5. Importing V75 Project

In this last section, you will import the V7.5 Project into your report development environment.

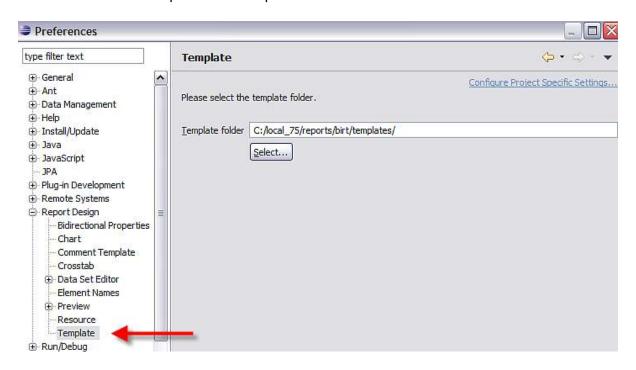
NOTE: Use forward slashes or the Select button when specifying the folder paths in Eclipse.

5A. First, specify the resource folder location to import the V75 Libraries.

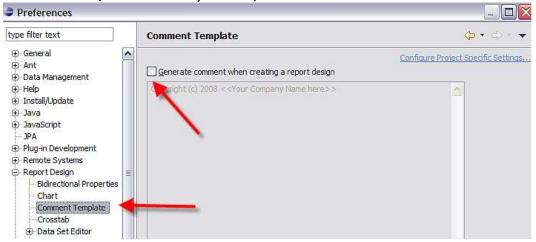
- A. From the Menu, select Window Preferences.
- B. Expand Report Design and select Resource.
- C. Browse to your local report library location and select Apply. <V75>/reports/birt/libraries



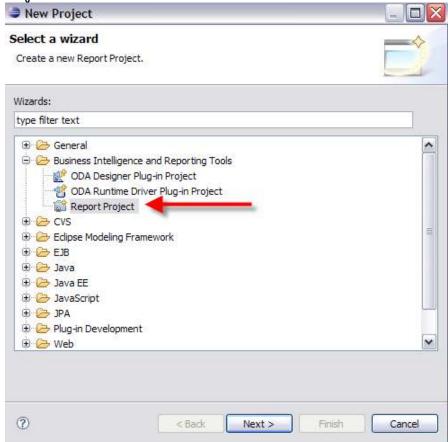
- 5B. Specify the templates folder location to import the V75 Templates.
  - A. If not already open, from the menu, Select Window Preferences.
  - B. Expand Report Design and select Templates.
  - C. Browse to your local report template location and select Apply. <V75>/reports/birt/templates



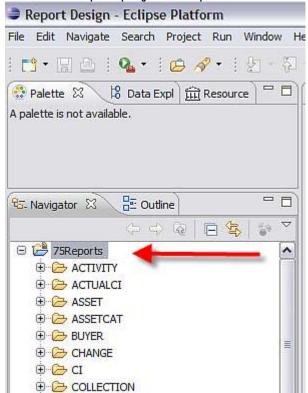
- 5C. Disable the Comment Template.
  - A. If not already open, from the menu, Select Window Preferences.
  - B. Remove the flag from the 'Generate comment when creating a report design' field if it is set. (It is disabled by default)



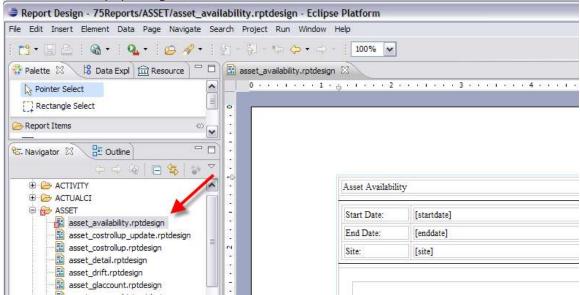
- 5D. Next, import the report project. This will bring the V75 Reports into your project workspace.
  - A. Click File, New Project. Under Business Intelligence and Reporting Tools, select Report Project. Click Next.



- B. Enter a Project Name.
  - a. Remove the flag in the 'Use Default Location' field.
  - b. For the Location Field Value, browse to the location of your V7 Report Source.<V75>\reports\birt\reports. Click Finish.
- C. The report project is imported.



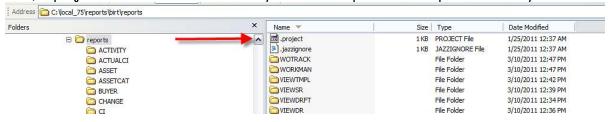
D. To confirm the reports imported properly, expand a folder and then double click on an rptdesign file to open it. In the screenshot below, the ASSET folder is expanded, and the asset\_availability.rptdesign file selected.



E. You can confirm that the correct project is imported. To do this, right click on the Project. \*NOTE: The location should be your V75 Report Source. It should not be under an Eclipse directory.



Also, a .project file will be created under your <775>\reports\birt\reports directory.



# Common Install and Configuration Issues

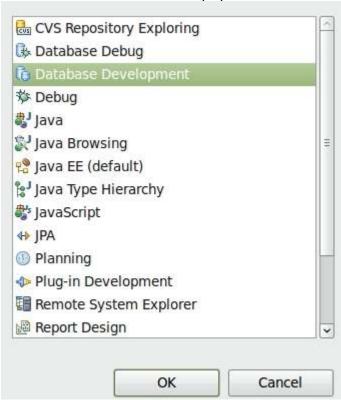
If you have issues configuring the report designer, verify the items below have been properly configured or installed.

- 1. JDK 1.6 is installed.
- 2. The BIRT Designer 'All In One' Package was used
- 3. The supported versions of Eclipse 3.4.2 and BIRT 2.3.2 are being used.



Provider	Feature Name	Version	Feature Id
Eclipse.org	Apache Commons Codec Plug-i	1.3.0.v20070920-	org.apache.commons.codec
Eclipse.org	Apache Derby Core Plug-in for I	10.3.1.4	org.apache.derby.core
Eclipse.org	BIRT Advanced XML Editor Plug	2.3.2.r232_v20090	org.eclipse.birt.report.designer.ed
Eclipse.org	BIRT Chart Context-sensitive H	2.3.2.r232_v20081	org.eclipse.birt.chart.cshelp
Eclipse.org	BIRT Chart Framework	2.3.2.r232_v20081	org.eclipse.birt.chart
Eclipse.org	BIRT Chart Runtime	2.3.2.r232_v20081	org.eclipse.birt.chart.runtime
Eclipse.org	BIRT Context-sensitive Help	2.3.2.r232_v20081	org.eclipse.birt.cshelp
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- 4. Both steps 2C and 2D were performed.
  - a. For 2D, make sure that you extracted the Database Jar Files to the directory. If the jar files are copied only, errors will result.
- 5. Confirm that the mxreportdatasources.properties file was configured for your unique environment.
  - a. To help confirm this, check if you can connect to the configured database using Eclipse's Data Tools Connections.
  - b. To do this, from the Menu, select Window Open Perspective Other and the window below will display. Select Database Development.



c. Then go thru the steps of adding a new connection profile and testing Database Connectivity from the BIRT Designer.

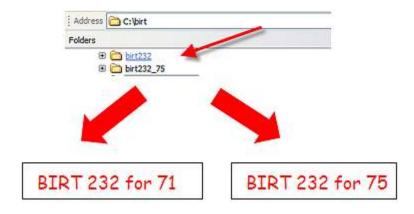
# Upgrading a 7.1 BIRT report designer instance to 7.5

If you are upgrading for a 7.1x environment to 7.5, there have been a number of platform and report updates which can impact your report development environment. These updates include platform support of Sql Server 2005, JRE 1.6, along with updated report scripting libraries and mxreportdatasource.properties file.

Because of these changes, it is highly recommended that you utilize two BIRT instances during the upgrade process. This means that you would utilize two versions of BIRT Report Designer 2.3.2 - one for your 7.1x instance, and one for your 7.5 instance. If you utilize one BIRT Report Design instance to point to the very different scripting classes in 7.1x and 7.5, you will experience problems.

Therefore, in the 7.1x instance, you would continue to use the existing platforms, property file and scripting classes.

In the 7.5 instance, you would use the updated platform – including JRE 1.6, along with the 7.5 scripting classes and property file.



# Report Developer Database Access

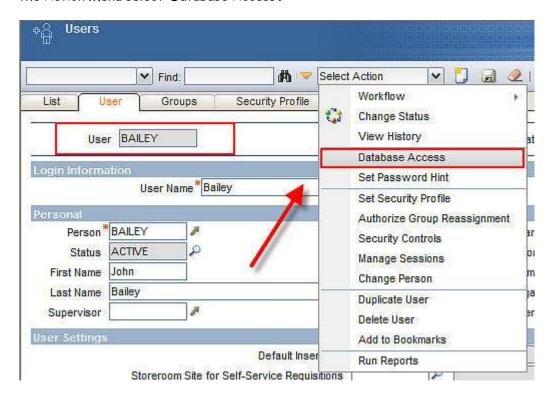
Report developers require database access to create and customize reports. This enables them to test their report design to insure the applicable content is being retrieved.

Clients may not want to grant each report developer full database access by using the system maximo database user privileges ad the developer creates and test report designs. Instead, they want the developer to have restricted database access. This restriction usually requires that the report developer be granted 'read only' access to a limited number of database objects. To do this, a unique database user is required.

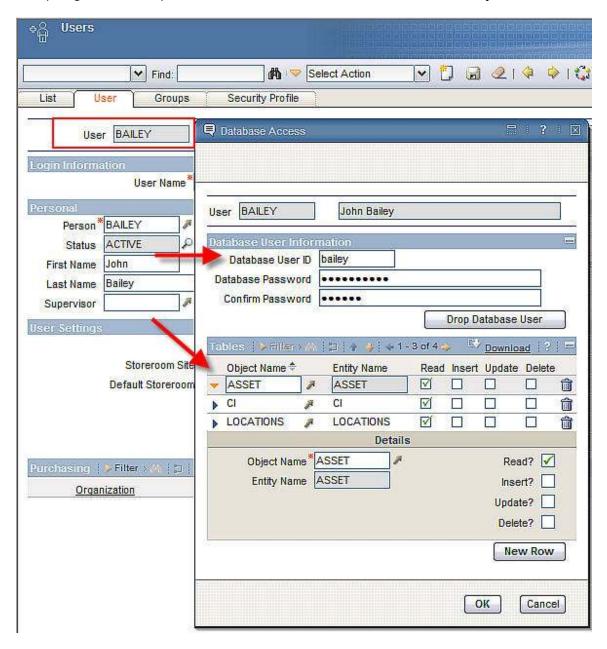
The steps below detail a few different ways on how this restricted access can be granted thru the use of a unique database user. After this unique database user is created, the steps for incorporating the new database user for the report developer are described.

## Method 1 - Creating Database User and Access within User Application

If you are using Oracle or SQL Server, you can directly create a new database user through the User Application in V7. To do this, first create a new user for your report developer. Then, from the Action Menu select 'Database Access'.



Enter a unique Database User ID, along with the database password. Then, using the table section in the bottom portion of the dialog, specify the database objects that the report developer should have access to. Grant database 'read only' access to these specific database objects the report developer will be creating reports against. In this example, the developer, Bailey, is given read only database access to the Asset, CI and Locations objects.

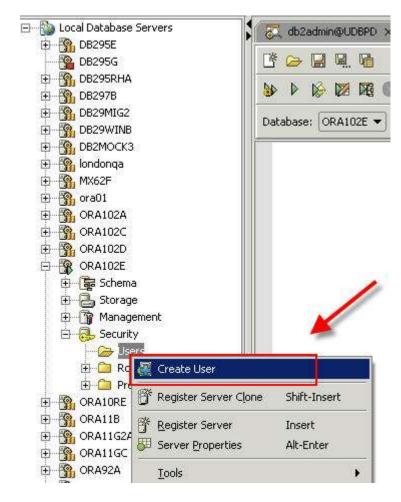


Note: If you are using DB2, the new database user must also be an Operating System (OS) User. Therefore, the DB2 user must first be added as an OS user before performing the action above.

# Method 2 - Creating Database User and Access within Database Configuration Tools

You can also create a new database user and specify access through a Database Configuration Tool.

To do this, access the database querying tool, and locate the database instance you are working with. From the tool, add a new database user. (\*Note: The method in which you access this functionality will vary by database tool and type.)



Once the database user is created, then grant 'Read only' database privileges via scripts to the specific database tables he will have access to. Example scripts are shown below, where the report developer, Bailey, is granted 'read only' access to the ASSET, CI and LOCATIONS objects.

grant select on MAXIMO.ASSET to bailey

grant select on MAXIMO.CI to bailey

grant select on MAXIMO.LOCATIONS to bailey

# Configuring the BIRT Report Designer to use the new report developer database user

After the new database user has been created, this database user will then be used by the report developer in his unique instance. To enable this, the mxreportdatasources.properties file will be updated.

This mxreportdatasources.properties file specifies the database url and driver, along with the database user and password that should be used. Using our example above, values for this property file could be:

maximoDataSource.url=jdbc:db2://V7116:50000/HARRIER maximoDataSource.driver=com.ibm.db2.jcc.DB2Driver maximoDataSource.username=bailey maximoDataSource.password=bailey1abc

# Report Design Files

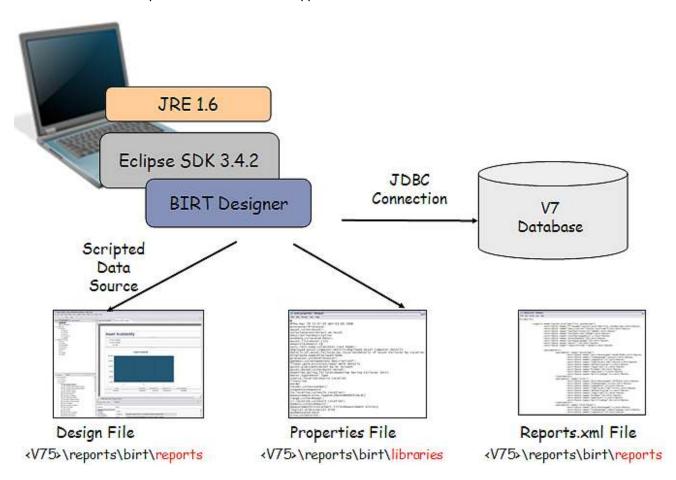
Before creating reports, a review of the report design process will be detailed. There are three files created for report designs.

1. <u>Design File</u>. This contains the details on the report - its sql, grouping, sorting, hyperlinking, etc. An example of this is the asset\_availability.rptdesign file.

The Design File uses a custom scripted data source. This is done to fully utilize the specific functionality for Runtime Data Translation and Time Zone Conversions.

The scripted data source calls the JDBC Connection to execute the report against the V7.5 Database.

- 2. <u>Properties File</u>. This contains the text values and keys of each column label and report title. There is one properties file for each application that has reports. This enables the same label values (ex. Description) to be used only once. This property file is one of the major components used in localization. An example of this is the asset.properties file.
- 3. <u>Reports.xml File</u>. This file defines the report information (its design file name, its parameters, its application etc.) and is used to import the report files into the database. There is one reports.xml file for each application.



The chart below shows how the report files interact with each other. At the top level is the design file, which always has the file extension of .rptdesign.

Each of the reports has a dependency on the Maximo® System Library File. A BIRT Design file can only have a dependency on either another design file (.rptdesign) or another library file (.rptlibrary)

The Maximo System Library file has its own import file, called libraries.xml. If a change is made to the Maximo System Library, the libraries.xml file is used to import that library change into the database.

The Maximo System Library file contains references to the resources, or image files. These typically have a .gif or .jpg extension. When a resource file is imported into the database, the files are converted to .zip format. (These files are stored as BLOB data types in the database.)

The properties files are also resource files. Properties files are referenced in the reports.xml which is used to import the reports into the database.

File Name	Dependency	Resource	Description	Location**
Asset.rptdesign			Asset List Design File	reports
	maximoSystemLibrary.rptlibrary		Maximo System Library	libraries
		.gif/.jpg files	Resources or Image Files	libraries
		asset.properties	Asset Property file	libraries
Reports.xml			Information on report and	reports
			its parameters. Used for	
			importing	

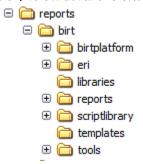
More details on these files are contained in the report file structure below.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Location in the chart has been condensed. Its full path is <v75>\reports\birt\....

# Report File Structure

# <u>Delivered Report File Structure</u>

The reporting infrastructure contains not only the files required for the report engine, but also the design files, libraries, templates and various tools used during the reporting processes. The 75 file structure is shown and detailed below.



#### birtplatform:

Contain files required for the BIRT engine. These files should not be modified.

#### <u>eri:</u>

Files for configuring V7RI (Integration used when a Version 6 environment uses V7 Reporting)

#### Libraries:

Library, Resource and Property files required to support the report design files.

A. Library. Libraries store re-usable components, functionality and images. Reports that use libraries are automatically updated with the latest library information when they are executed.

One system library, called MaximoSystemLibrary.rptlibrary, is used. It contains two core items:

- 1. Master Pages. This defines items like the margins for printing, and the controls used for page formatting (ex page n of m). This is contained in the library because it is used on all reports, and rarely changes.
- 2. Themes. This contains the style sheet, which defines the font type, font size and other text characteristics to be used in the reports. The theme in the library is referred to as the style in the report design. The maximoTheme contains the specific colors and formatting for the reports.

The libraries.xml file is used for importing the MaximoSystemLibrary file.

B. Resource. Resource files are .gif or .jpg images used in report designs. Two resource files are used. These are IBM\_logo\_black.gif and tivoli.gif, which are the two logos displayed at the top right and left hand corner of each V7 Out of the Box report. Resource files are imported into the database as zipped files.

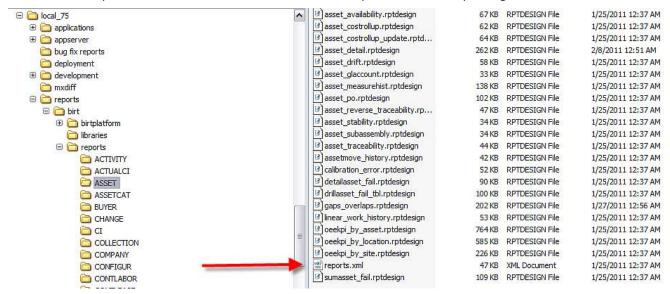
Clients may want to customize the reports to use their own corporate logos. Information on how to do this is in 'Changing Logos in BIRT Reports' referenced on the last page of this document.

C. Properties File. Each of the application's properties file is contained within this subdirectory. Property files contain the text values of the report titles, and column/Subheader labels.

Property files are created at the application level, and not at the report level, because reports within an application frequently share the same text label values. (Example: Asset Reports often use the same labels of Asset, Location, Site, multiple times.)

#### Reports

Contains Report Design Files stored within their corresponding application subfolder. Also contains the reports.xml file with information on each report used for importing.



#### Scriptlibrary

The Script library contains script library classes and the mxreportdatasources.properties file used by BIRT Designer tool to connect to databases.

For the integration of BIRT, when a report developer creates a report, a Custom Scripted Data Source is used. This Scripted Data Source is called 'maximoDataSource'.



A scripted data source is used to fully utilize the specific functionality for Runtime Data Translation and Time Zone Conversions. An example of this functionality is the localized values of Description. If a client is running both English and Spanish environments, and the English values of descriptions been localized into Spanish, the scripted data source is required to insure the localized Spanish descriptions display in reports. The classes for the scripting are contained within this subfolder.

## Notes on Script Library:

1. Whenever you update your system to a new patch release or version of Maximo Base Services, the script library may have been updated in the new release. To insure that you use the most recent script libraries in your environment, copy the latest script library from

<V75.xDirectory>\reports\birt\scriptlibrary\classes

To

<birt>\eclicpse\plugins\<birt report viewer directory>\birt\WEB-INF\classes

For example, when you upgrade from Maximo Base Services 7.5 to a future fixpack of Maximo Base Services 7.5.x, copy the 7.5.x classes directory to your existing BIRT instance.

For information on upgrading from Maximo Base Services 7.1 to 7.5, reference the section in this quide titled 'Upgrading a 7.1 BIRT report designer instance to 7.5'.

2. For details on the script library, including the methods available, reference the V7 Java Docs available on IBM's Integrated Service Management Library website.

http://www-01.ibm.com/software/brandcatalog/ismlibrary/

#### Report Templates

Six Template files are used as starting point in creating report design files.

File Name	Template Name	Description
maximoListReport	Tivoli Maximo List Report Template	For simple listing report - traditional row, column format
maximoGroupReport	Tivoli Maximo Grouped Report Template	Same as listing report - but contains sections for grouping results - ex. group by site or status
maximoSubreport	Tivoli Maximo Subreport Template	Used for complex reports, including detail reports
maximoChartListReport.	Tivoli Maximo Chart List Report Template	Simple listing report, which includes a graphic for either bar, line or pie chart before the report's results.
maximoChartGroupReport	Tivoli Maximo Chart Grouped Report Template	Grouped report with graphic for either bar, line or pie chart before the report's results.
maximoChartSubreport	Tivoli Maximo Chart Subreport Template	Complex report with graphic for either bar, line or pie chart before the report's results.

\*NOTE: When creating any report to be used within Maximo, you must start with one of the Tivoli Maximo templates as they contain the required scripted data source and library files needed for the integration.

If you do not use a template or an out of the box report as your starting point, your reports will eventually fail when executed from the V7.5 environment. The templates contain critical scripting classes which are used by the report engine to determine when a report has started and finished. Without these scripting classes, the report queue will build up and you will soon receive out of memory errors.

#### Tools

Files used to importing and exporting report design files from database. More information on these tools is contained in the Import and Exporting sections.

#### Additional Notes on Report Source:

- 1. There are no separate library or design files for the three database types that are supported. Within the report source, the sql is being written in ANSI Standards, so it will be applicable to any of the 3 database types.
  - There may be a few out of the box reports where the database specific sql is required. In these cases, the sql will be written with conditional statements (ex. If database type = IBM DB2®, do this. If not, do this + that...etc)

## Your Custom Reports and the Report File Structure

The section above reviewed the delivered report source and file structure. However, you may need to create or modify reports to meet your individual business needs. In this case, you will have new or modified report design files, reports.xml and properties file.

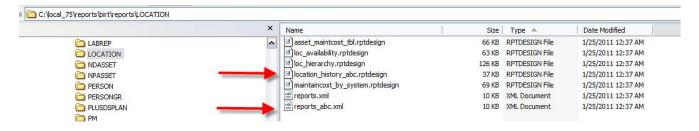
To streamline the administration and maintenance of your custom report design files, and also to insure that they are properly updated in future hot fix and fix pack releases, it is highly recommended that you implement a file structure similar to what is shown below.

## For New Custom Reports - Report Design and XML file

For any new custom reports you create, it is highly recommended that you assign them unique report file names, and also create new reports.xml files for these. You may want to make them unique by utilizing your company name, or another identifier in their file name and reports.xml.

To illustrate this, let's imagine you created a new report for the Location application, which is titled Location History Report. To highlight this as your report, you may want to call it location\_history\_abc.rptdesign, where abc is the name of your company.

Additionally, when you create its reports.xml, instead of modifying the existing location's reports.xml for this new report, create your own unique reports.xml titled reports\_abc.xml, which is located under the directory: <V75>\reports\birt\reports\LOCATION



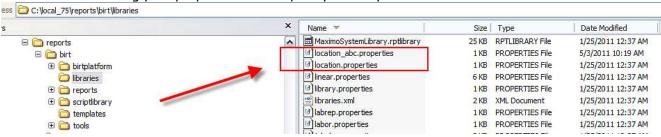
#### For New Custom or Modified Reports - Properties file

As stated above, the properties file contains the text for the title and labels within your report. This is used to insure the values can be properly localized.

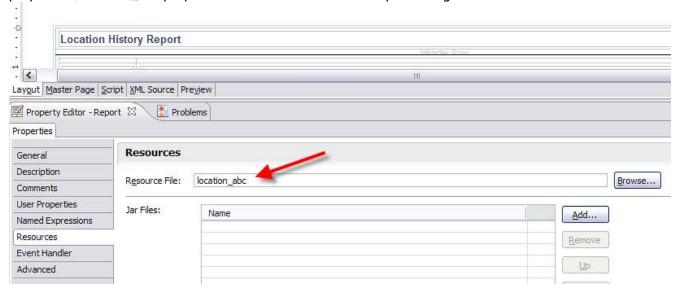
When you create custom reports, you can choose to either modify the existing properties file for the application, or create your own new properties file. To determine the solution that is best for your environment, you may want to take the following into consideration

- 1. A single report design can only reference a single properties file.
- 2. Applications can utilize multiple properties file. During the command import process, all properties file for the application will be imported.
- 3. Report titles, labels may be modified during release, fix pack or hot fix updates. Therefore, if you modify the delivered properties file with your customizations, your updates may be overridden during an update.

Based on this, you may want to create your own custom properties file, by copying the delivered file and then renaming your properties file to quickly identify it.



Then, when your developer adds new labels for your new reports, he will add them to the custom properties, location\_abc.properties as shown below in the Report Designer.



By creating unique file names and unique reports.xml files for your custom reports, they will always be imported during the import process. The import process imports any xml file it sees not just the delivered reports.xml file. Additionally, when modifications are made to the out of the box reports, you will not have to merge your changes - they will be kept separate.

#### For Modifications to Delivered Reports - Report Design and XML file

You may decide that you simply need to add or remove fields to a delivered report to meet your data analysis requirements.

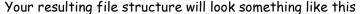
In this case, it is recommended that you follow the same process as above, in making a copy of the original report design file, renaming it to a unique file name, and then making the customizations to the new report design file. This same process would apply to the reports.xml file. Make a copy of it, rename it, and make the change to the new reports.xml file.

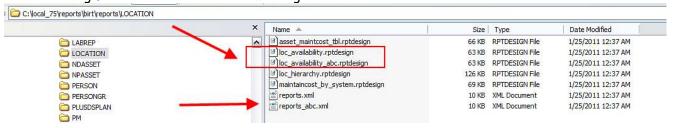
Following a similar example as above, you need to modify the Location Availability Report. To do this, you

- 1. Copy the loc\_availability.rptdesign file
- 2. Rename the copied version to loc\_availability\_abc.rptdesign
- 3. Make the changes to the report in the Report Design tool and save.

For the reports.xml file, you

- 1. Copy the reports.xml file
- 2. Rename the copied version to reports\_abc.xml.
- 3. Find the location availability entry and modify it to use the new file name, loc\_availability\_abc.rptdesign and any other changes to the report and parameters. Delete all other references to design files that you have not modified.





An example of the copied and modified reports\_abc.xml is below. Note again, that this version of the reports.xml should only include the entries for the files you have updated. Do not leave in entries of the report design files you have not modified.

```
≡ reports abc.xml - WordPad
File Edit View Insert Format Help
<reports>
   <report name="loc availability abc.rptdesign">
     <attribute name="filename">loc_availability_abc.rptdesign</attribute>
     <attribute name="description">Location Availability Details</attribute>
     <attribute name="toolbarlocation">NONE</attribute>
     <attribute name="toolbaricon">NONE</attribute>
     <attribute name="toolbarsequence"></attribute>
     <attribute name="norequestpage">0</attribute>
     <attribute name="detail">0</attribute>
     <attribute name="reportfolder">LOCATION</attribute>
     <parameters>
       <parameter name="location">
         <attribute name="attributename">ASSET.LOCATION</attribute>
         <attribute name="lookupname">locations</attribute>
         <attribute name="sequence">1</attribute>
         <attribute name="labeloverride">Location</attribute>
         <attribute name="defaultvalue"></attribute>
         <attribute name="required">1</attribute>
         <attribute name="hidden">0</attribute>
         <attribute name="operator"></attribute>
         <attribute name="multilookup">1</attribute>
       </parameter>
      </parameters>
     <resources>
       <resource>
         <reference>location.properties</reference>
         <filename>${libraryfolder}/location.properties</filename>
     </resources>
   </report>
```

#### Notes:

- 1. With this approach on duplicating and modifying the report source and files, you will end up with two entries of the location availability report in your database and also in the Report Administration application. These are the original report, and the report you have customized.
  - A. To only make the customized version (loc\_availability\_abc.rptdesign) available to your users, only enable report file security to this file in the report administration application.
  - B. Or, you could remove the original file (loc\_availability.rptdesign) from the original reports.xml file. However, you would need to repeat this process for each future fix pack or release upgrade you receive.
- 2. For recommendations on the properties file for modifications to delivered reports, please see the section above titled 'For New Custom or Modified Reports Properties file'

# Developing a report

This section details how to create a report design within the Report Designer for V7.5.

Note: Before beginning this process, review the section titled 'Extending Ad Hoc Reports in the BIRT Designer'. This section details how you can streamline the report development process by minimizing the steps below thru the use of exported ad hoc reports. It is highly recommended that you utilize this process to save both development time and resources.

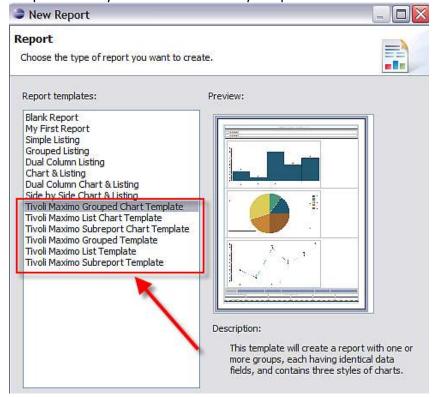
If you want to create a report design file without using the ad hoc exporting process, follow the process below.

The steps required for report development are:

- Specifying the query
- 2. Creating the output columns
- 3. Updating the Fetch to map the query columns to the output columns
- 4. Formatting the report
- 5. Defining the property file

To begin, access the Report Designer. Then, select File - New - Report or choose New Report from the dropdown list. A number of sample reports and templates are displayed.

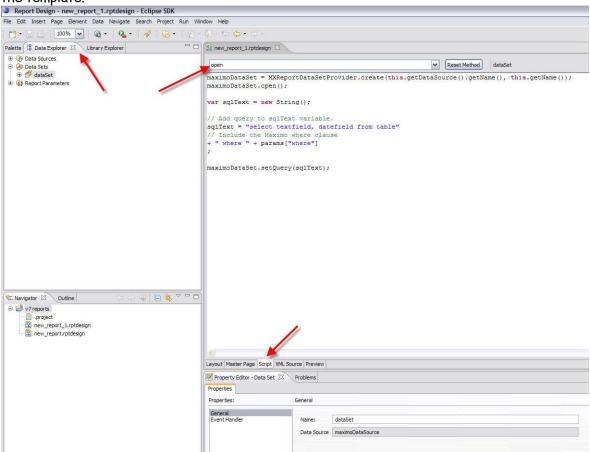
Select the desired Tivoli Maximo template from the list. You must select a Tivoli Maximo template as they contain the necessary scripted data source and library for the integration.



# Specifying the Query

The first step in creating a BIRT report is to input the sql statement. When doing this, it is highly recommended that you first develop and test all required queries in your separate database query tool. BIRT does not validate SQL and a query tool will provide clearer error messages.

To input the sql, select the data set in the Data Explorer and choose the Script tab. Select the Open method from the dropdown list. Copy your query from the query tool and paste it into the method body under the existing sample query. Format your query to match the sample provided in the template.



#### Notes on the sql:

- It is recommended that ANSI SQL join syntax (left outer, right outer) should be used.
   ANSI functions such as CASE and COALESCE should be used instead of proprietary functions such as DECODE and ISNULL.
- 2. Owner qualification (MAXIMO.workorder) should NOT be used
- 3. Reference all database objects in lower-case.
- 4. Each report must contain the base table name of the application it will be accessed from in its sql statement.

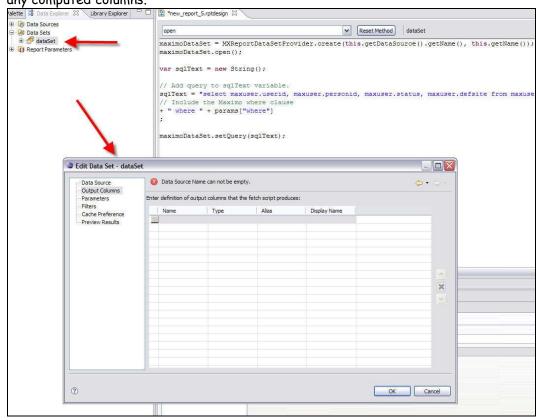
This can be explained using the example of a report that is being created for the Location Application. When the sql for the report is being prepared, the base table name of the application must be included in the sql. You can find the base table name for an application by executing a query similar to what is shown below:

select maintbname from maxapps where app = 'LOCATION'

Then, once you obtain the base table name, confirm that it is included in your sql. Even if you do not include any fields from the base table, it still must be included in the report's sql.

# Creating the Output Columns

Next, the report output columns will be defined. Double-click the data set to open the properties dialog. In the Output Columns editor, enter a column for each field in your query, as well as for any computed columns.



Set the data type for each output column based on the maxtype of the field. The chart below shows the V7.5 Database Type, the corresponding BIRT Data Type, and the method used within the report designer to retrieve its value.

### V7.5-BIRT Data Mapping

V7.5 Database Type	BIRT Data Type	Data Set Method used to Retrieve
ALN, CLOB, GL, LONGALN, LOWER, UPPER	String	getString(String attributeName)
YORN*	String	<pre>getBooleanString(String attributeName)</pre>
DATE, DATETIME, TIME	DateTime	getTimestamp(String attributeName)
AMOUNT, DECIMAL, DURATION**	Decimal	getDouble(String attributeName)
FLOAT	Float	getFloat(String attributeName)
DURATION**	String	getDuration(String attributeName)
INTEGER, SMALLINT	Integer	getInteger(String attributeName)

To determine the V7.5 data types (maxtypes) of the fields used in your queries, you can query the maxattribute object directly in the database. An example of this is:

select attributename, maxtype from maxattribute where objectname = 'WORKORDER' order by attributename

Or, you can use Database Configuration application in V7.5 to look up the maxtypes, using the Type field on the Attributes tab.

#### Notes:

- 1. You do not have to give the output columns the same names as the database fields, although it is usually easier to do so.
- 2. The following Database Types are not supported in reports: BLOB, CLOB, CRYPTO and CRYPTOX.
- 3. YORN fields are stored in the database as numbers (0 and 1) but are presented in V7 as localized text. The getBooleanString(String attributeName) method will perform both tasks: retrieve the numeric value and translate it to the appropriate text. You also can obtain the translated value from the integer using getBooleanString(int intValue).
- 4. DURATION is stored in the database as a number (decimal hours) but in V7 it is presented as a string in the format HH:MM. The getDuration method will return the formatted string.

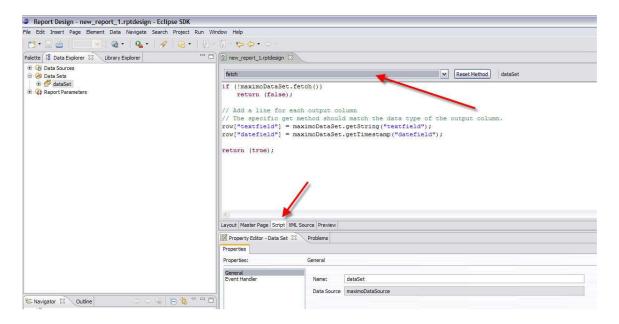
If you require the numeric value instead, you can use getDecimal. An additional utility method, MXReportUtil.getDuration(String attributeName), is provided to perform the conversion from double to string.

5. If you leave the open method visible as you do this, you can use it for reference on the columns.

# Updating the Fetch

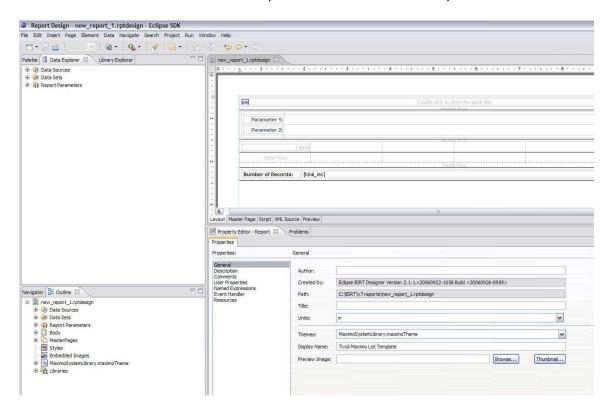
In the third step, you need to map the query columns to the output columns. This is done by updating the fetch method.

On the Script tab, choose the Fetch method from the dropdown. Add a line for each column that retrieves the value of the field from the data set and updates the output column with that value. Use the appropriate method based on the data type of the field, following the Maximo-BIRT Data mapping chart shown in the section above.



### Formatting the Report

Begin formatting your report by dragging the fields from the data set to the report. Set a fixed width for each column, otherwise the report will not format correctly in PDF.



Set any parameter display fields. Do not drag parameters from the Data Explorer into the report. Instead, drag a Data element and set the Value Expression to the parameter.

If there are groups, set the keys.

### Formatting Notes

- 1. All Table elements should have widths set to 100%. Some templates included fixed table widths (in inches) and this is incorrect. You can also remove the height if it is set.
- 2. The style "titlesub" can be used for text that appears directly under the title. Examples of out of the box reports that use this style are detail reports, like Work Order Details, for the detail report key and description.
- 3. All subreports exist in a single cell, stacked on top of each other.
- 4. To receive a page break after the last subreport, a group was added. The group key is set to the unique key for the report for example in Person Details (person\_details.rptdesign) it is set to Personid. The page break after property on the group is set to "Always excluding last".

Now there will be a page break after each person record (including the related subreports) but not after the last person, which would cause a blank page at the end. The report footer rows have been deleted, again because this would cause a trailing blank page.

5. If you try to view your report within the designer as 'View as PDF', it will not work unless you install the iText jar. You will receive this error:

org.eclipse.birt.report.service.api.ReportServiceException: Report engine fails to create extension to handle this request.

6. If you want to change the font of the reports to a Unicode or other format, you should change the Style Sheet used in the Report Library.

The default fonts used in the out of the box reports are Verdana, Arial, Sans-serif.

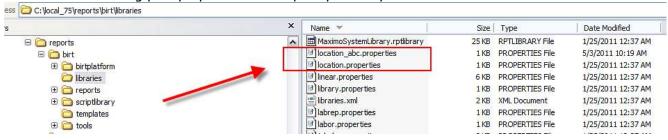
The font used will depend on what is available from the user's browser. It will start with Verdana, and if that is not available, it will use Arial and then Sans-Serif.

## Defining the Property File

As noted in the Report Design File Structure Section, properties files hold the text values for the labels and titles used within a report. Additionally, in the sub-section titled 'For New Custom or Modified Reports - Properties file', it detailed how you can choose to either modify the existing properties file for the application, or create your own new properties file. The main items to take into consideration are recapped here below -

- 1. A single report design can only reference a single properties file.
- 2. Applications can utilize multiple properties file. During the command import process, all properties file for the application will be imported.
- 3. Report titles, labels may be modified during release, fix pack or hot fix updates. Therefore, if you modify the delivered properties file with your customizations, your updates may be overridden during an update.

Based on this, you may want to create your own custom properties file, by copying the delivered file and then renaming your properties file to quickly identify it.



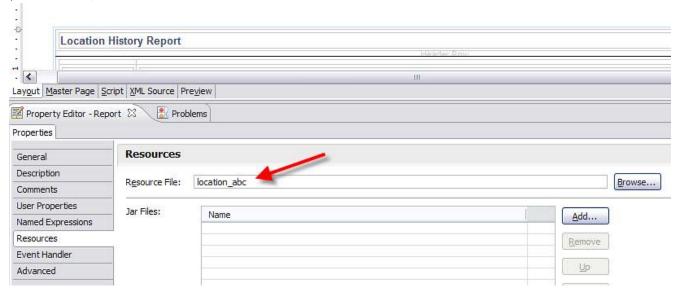
Then, when your developer adds new labels for your new reports, he will add them to the custom properties, location\_abc.properties as shown in the steps below in the Report Designer.

# Defining the Property File - Specific Steps

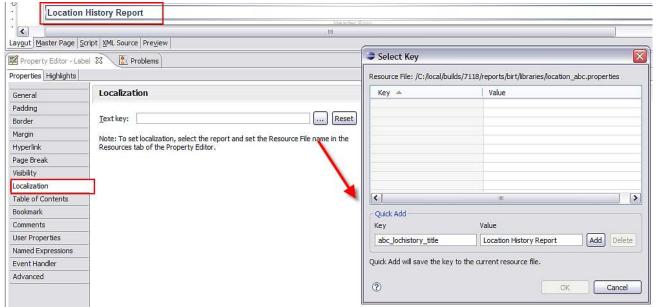
The specific steps to associate the report with a label properties file are detailed below.

1. Within the report designer, in the Outline tab, highlight the report name. In Property Editor - Properties, select Resources. Click on the 'Add' Button in the Resource File Field.

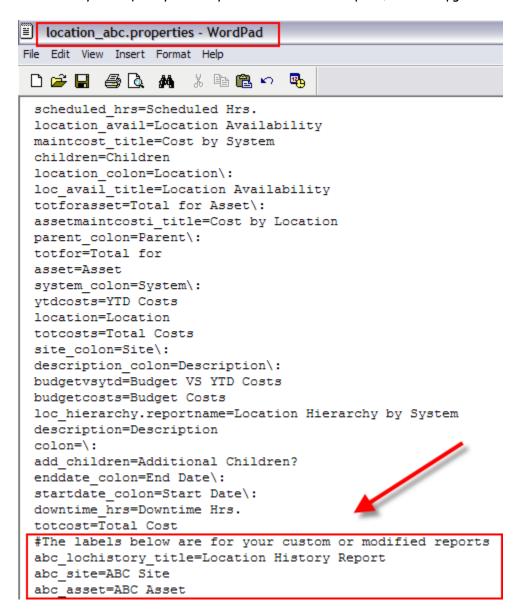
Browse to the location of your properties file. In this case, the copied location\_abc properties file is chosen.



2. Now, you can build the properties file by highlighting either a title or a label. Then, select the Localization property on the left, and click the browse icon to either select an existing label or add a new label.



3. After your developer has completed creating the properties file, you may want to add an identifier to the properties file to highlight where your custom labels start as shown below. This will enable you to quickly identify them for future fix pack, version upgrades.



# Report Development Considerations

#### Date Methods

The MXReportSqlFormat static methods are provided to support date formatting. Most of them return JDBC date/time/timestamp literals that can be used in report SQL statements for all supported databases. For example:

```
"where actualdate <=" + MXReportSqlFormat.JdbcDateFormat.DATE.format(MXReportSqlFormat
.getCurrentDateFunction())
evaluates to:
where actualdate <= { ts '05-01-2011 13:22:45' }
Below are the recommended date methods
getCurrentDateFunction() - current date as java.util.Date
JdbcDateFormat.DATE.format(Date d)* - JDBC DATE literal based on date input
JdbcDateFormat.TIME.format(Date d)* - JDBC TIME literal based on date input
JdbcDateFormat.TIMESTAMP.format(Date d)* - JDBC TIMESTAMP literal based on date input
restrictBetweenDays(String field, Date start, Date end) * - creates a JDBC TIMESTAMP literal restriction
on field as: ([field] >= [start, zeroed time] and [field] < [end, added 1 day, zeroed time])
Example: Restricting asset on asset.statusdate within 1 date interval where startdate is 2010/05/01
12:32:55 and enddate is 2011/05/01 8:03:02
var where = MXReportSqlFormat.restrictBeweenDays("asset.statusdate", params["startdate"],
params["enddate"])
The variable where will contain:
(asset.statusdate \geq { ts 2010/05/01 0:0:0 } and asset.statusdate < { ts 2011/05/02 0:0:0} )
restrictBetweenDateLiterals(String field, String start, String end) * - useful when you already have the
JDBC literal TIME, DATE or TIMESTAMP output is: ([field] >= [start] and [field] < [end])
ModifyDate.NEXT_DAY.skip(Date d) * - returns new date based on [d] one day ahead, time is unmodified
ModifyDate.PREVIOUS_DAY.skip(Date d) * - returns new date based on [d] one day backwards, time is
unmodified
ModifyTime.STARTDAY.set(Date d) * - returns new date based on [d] with time portion 0:0:0.000
ModifyTime.ENDDAY.set(Date d) * - returns new date based on [d] with time portion 23:58:59.998
```

Note: Methods noted with an asterisk were introduced in the 7.5 release

Note: You may find the functions below in some of the delivered reports. These functions can be used, however, the ones noted above are the preferred functions moving forward.

getCurrentTimestampFunction() - JDBC TIMESTAMP literal based current date & time

use JdbcDateFormat.DATE.format(getCurrentDateFunction())

getDateFunction(Date d) - JDBC DATE literal based on Date d input

use JdbcDateFormat.DATE.format(Date d)

getTimeFunction(Date d) - JDBC TIME literal based on Date d input

use JdbcDateFormat.TIME.format(Date d)

getTimestampFunction(Date d) - JDBC TIMESTAMP literal based on Date d input

use getEndDayTimestampFunction(Date d)

getStartDayTimestampFunction(Date d) - JDBC TIMESTAMP literal based on date input, with time component set at start of day (for start date parameters)

use ModifyTime.STARTDAY.set(Date d)

getEndDayTimestampFunction(Date d) - JDBC TIMESTAMP literal based on date input, with time component set at end of day (for end date parameters)

use ModifyTime.ENDDAY.set(Date d)

#### Date Formats

BIRT offers custom date formatting. However, due to localization issues, you are strongly encouraged to use only Date/Time controls using Short, Medium or Long Date/Time formatting will be used.

All 'Out of the Box' Reports will use the date formatting below:

For Dates: Short Date 3/29/11

For Date/Time: General Date

March 29, 2011 4:03:00 PM EDT

When both the date and time need to be displayed in a condensed format - for example, target start, actual start, target finish etc - two controls will be used. These are:

Short Date + Medium Time.

So, within a Work order report where Actual Start within a column needs to display, the field would show as 4/26/11 4:12:34 PM and would be created by using 2 controls: Short Date + Medium Time.

### <u>Linking Result Sets</u>

When you run additional queries in the Fetch method, you usually must link them to the current data row. You can do this either by directly including the value or by using data set parameters.

From the Fetch query example above:

```
sqlText = "select description from classstructure where classstructureid=?";
classStrucDataSet.setQuery(sqlText);
```

```
// Use value from main query as foreign key in secondary query classStrucDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(1, maximoDataSet.getString("classstructureid"));
```

In this example, the parameter is set to the value of a field in a data set. The field is a string so the data set getString method is used. The getTimestamp method may also be used but the fetch methods that return primitive data types cannot; instead use the following:

```
getDoubleObject(String attributeName)
getFloatObject(String attributeName)
getIntegerObject(String attributeName)
```

The other common situation where you must link result sets is when linking subreports. Subreport queries are similar to Open method queries in that they are both executed each time a record in the main query is fetched. The main difference is that subreport queries should have their own data sets. The contents of the subreport can be contained in an independent child table, which is bound to the secondary data set and nested in a cell in the parent table.

To link a subreport query to a main query, include the linking fields (foreign keys) in the main query. In the subreport query, reference the linking fields using the "rows" variable:

```
sqlText = "select laborcode, craft from labtrans where refwo = '"
+ rows[0][ "wonum"] + "' and siteid = '" + rows[0]["siteid"] + "'";
```

## Hyperlinking

When you specify a report to link to, BIRT validates that the report exists, and reads its parameter information. Therefore, before you can set the hyperlink properties for a field, you must at least create a placeholder .rptdesign for the target report, in the correct application folder and with the correct file name. When initially specifying this, the target report design does not need to be complete. Once the target report is in place, use the following steps to create the link:

- 1. Select the Data element in the source report and choose Hyperlink in the Properties window. Select the ellipse to open the Hyperlink Options dialog. Set the Hyperlink Type to "Drill-through".
- 2. Under "Select a target report", enter the relative path to the linked report. If the report is in the same folder, just enter the report name. If the report is in a different folder, use the relative path. For example, to link from PO Details (in the PO folder) to Vendor Details (in the COMPANY folder), enter:
- ..\COMPANY\vendor\_contacts.rptdesign
- 3. In the Report Parameters area, add the following parameters:
  - a. Select the where parameter. In the Values field, enter a where clause that specifies the relationship between the current row and the linked report.
  - b. Select the appname parameter. In the Values field, enter params["appname"] if the linked report is registered to the same application as the calling report. If it is registered to another application, enter the correct application name, for example "PO".

For example, to link from PO List to PO Details, enter poprint.rptdesign for the target report, and then create the following parameters. Include the quotes as shown:

where	"poline.ponum='" + row["ponum"] + "' and poline.siteid='" + row["siteid"] + "'"	
appname	pname params["appname"]	

4. Under "Show target report in", select "Same Frame".

#### Notes on Hyperlinks:

1. If you are hyperlinking to a report, and a data restriction is in place, make sure to qualify the table (object) name. If it is not qualified, the hyperlinked report may display blank data.

For example, if the report is registered in the SR application

```
The query should not be: .... pmcomtype is null and status not in ('DRAFT')
Instead, the query should be qualified as: ... sr.pmcomtype is null and sr.status not in ('DRAFT')
```

2. If you design a report to have hyperlinks targeted to the same report, the report output may not change after drilling though more than once from the initial link.

This occurs as a \_\_requestId internal parameter is used to distinguish each report executed by a user from the browser. This \_\_requestId parameter value is unique within the user's current session for the report that is executed.

When hyperlinks are involved, the Report URL for the hyperlink is generated by the report server and does not contain this internal \_\_\_requestId parameter. Therefore, this parameter will have a value of null for all hyperlinks. Typically, if a hyperlink is for a different report, the null value and the combination of the hyperlinked report name act as a unique key to distinguish the report execution. But, if the hyperlink is for the same report, then any two such links to the same report will be treated as equal, as the key becomes the same.

In the V7 report integration, this unique key is used to get rid of the temporary files created when a report is run again. (For example, if the same report is run again, then the previous report information is discarded using the previous key stored in the HTTP session.) This minimizes the generation of temporary files for repeated execution of the same report. When this logic is combined with the hyperlinks to the same report, the temporary files are never deleted, as multiple executions are treated the same, because the keys are identical. Because of this, the report output does not appear to change.

To resolve the problem, the hyperlink creation has to be forced to generate the \_\_requestId parameter. This can be accomplished by adding a parameter to the hyperlink.

Note that the expression has to have a unique key that is unique to the current user and the current report. Since a report can have multiple hyperlinks, be sure to generate links that are unique within the report for that user's execution. Additionally, the hyperlinkCounter has to be declared in the initialization of the report script code.

- 3. If a user hyperlinks from one report to another, no additional code is required for localization. The language code is passed through internal report context and is not passed as part of the hyperlink.
  - Whether the report is a regular report or a hyperlink report, the report has to go
    through a single servlet that knows about the already logged in user and the user's
    locale/languagecode/timezone information. This information is automatically passed to
    the report engine or to the scripting code through a framework provided report
    context.

\*Note: For more details on localization and how to enable for reporting, reference the V7 Report Localization Guide.

4. Many out-of-the box reports contain hyperlinks. You may want to review their specific source code for more examples of how hyperlinks are set. To locate which reports contain hyperlinks, access the V75 Report Booklet referenced at the end of this guide, and at the url below. Search the 'V75 Reports' tab for hyperlink to find delivered reports with this functionality.

http://www-

01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3214&context=SSLKT6&q1=BIRT&q2=BOOKLET&uid=swg21305005&loc=en\_US&cs=utf-8&lang=en

### Populating the Data Set

If you need more than one data set (usually only required when creating subreports), you may wish to make a copy of the existing data set before starting.

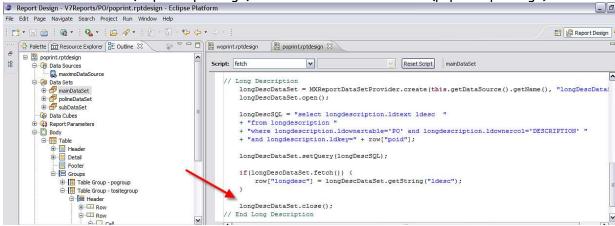
# Closing the Data Set

Any data set that is not fully fetched in a loop must be explicitly closed so cursors do not remain open after the report is executed. If the data set is not closed, and the same report is continually executed from the V7 instance over many days, the report may cause a failure of all reports to not show data.

An example of this is shown below using the Long Description data set as an example. Because only one row is fetched from this set, this type of fetch is not closed automatically, and therefore, must change to

```
if(longDescDataSet.fetch()) {
            row["longdesc"] = longDescDataSet.getString("ldtext");
      }
longDescDataSet.close();
```

Out of the box reports that contain examples of closing the long description data set include Work Order Details (woprint.rptdesign) and Purchase Order Details (poprint.rptdesign).



Note: This is an example of running queries in the fetch() method in the 'Executing Additional Queries' section below that demonstrate that the data set should be closed.

# **Executing Additional Queries**

Additional queries may be run in both the Open and Fetch methods. Each method can have one or more additional queries returning one or more fields.

#### Queries in the Fetch Method

It is sometimes difficult to provide all data fields for a report with a single SQL statement. You can populate most of the output columns with the main query, and run additional queries to retrieve the remaining fields, for example:

```
if (!maximoDataSet.fetch())
       return (false);
// Set output columns from main guery
row["assetnum"] = maximoDataSet.getString("assetnum");
// Execute secondary query
classStrucDataSet = MXReportDataSetProvider.create(this.getDataSource().getName(),"class");
classStrucDataSet.open();
sqlText = "select description from classstructure where classstructureid=?";
classStrucDataSet.setQuery(sqlText);
// Use value from main query as foreign key in secondary query
classStrucDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(1, maximoDataSet.getString("classstructureid"));
if (classStrucDataSet.fetch())
       // Set output columns from secondary query
       row["description"] = classStrucDataSet.getString("description");
// Always close the data set
classStrucDataSet.close();
return(true);
```

Note: queries that are executed multiple time should use setQueryParameterValue() for caching improvements.

### Dynamically Filtering Data

There are several situations in which you will need to apply a dynamic filter to a report SQL statement. You may filter report results using Report Parameters, which receive values passed from Maximo. You may also use dynamic filters to link multiple queries.

# Testing for Null

The COALESCE function is supported on all database types and may be used directly in the query. If you must use a proprietary null conversion function, the following data set method is provided:

```
maximoDataSet.getNullValueFunction(String param, String nullVal) - Returns NVL, ISNULL, or COALESCE depending on the database type. For example:
"select " + maximoDataSet.getNullValueFunction("parent", "wonum")
evaluates to:
select nvl(parent, wonum) - for Oracle
select coalesce(parent, wonum) - for DB2
select isnull(parent, wonum) - for SQL Server:
```

If nullVal is a string literal, place it in single quotes:
"select" + maximoDataSet.getNullValueFunction("parent", "'NONE"')

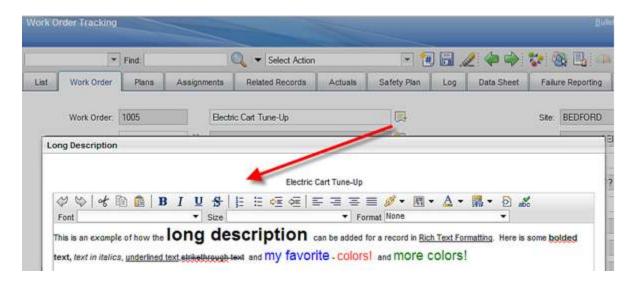
However, be careful with using string literals this way, since they will not be localized.

#### Scalar Functions

The method MXReportSqlFormat.getScalarFunction(functionName, variable parameters) returns a JDBC scalar function based on the function name and a variable list of parameters. This can be used to access database functions in a database independent manner as suggested in the JDBC specification for commonly used functions.

### **Enabling Rich Text Formatting**

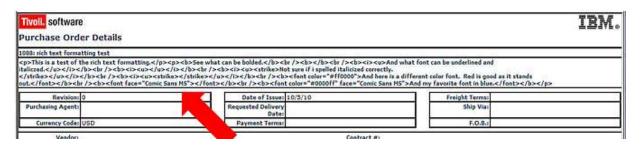
Beginning in the Version 7.5 release, you can input rich text in the long description fields of applications. This enables you to highlight certain areas of critical information for your users. An example of all the various types of font features that can be enabled is shown below in the work order tracking application.



This rich text font can be displayed in reports. For all the out of the box reports using long description fields, the rich text font has been enabled. For a full listing of these reports, reference the V75 report booklet at the end of this document.

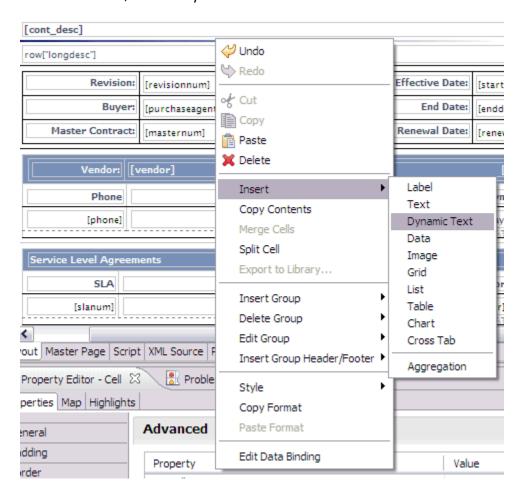
You may have created custom reports which include the long description field. The steps to update these custom reports to use rich text formatting are shown below.

Note: If you do not update your custom reports using long description fields - and your users input rich text and then print out the custom report - they will receive illegible text as highlighted by the red arrow below.



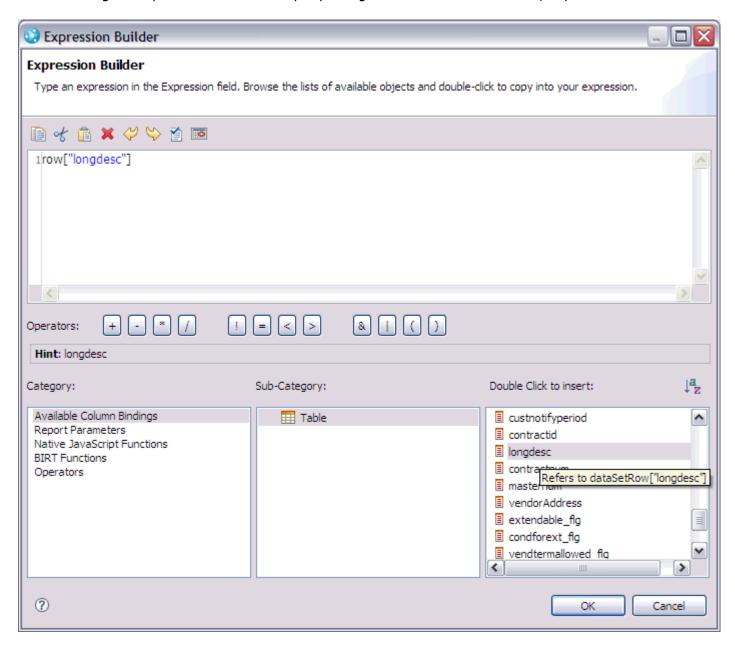
To enable your custom report to display rich text formatting in the long description field, follow these steps in the report designer.

- A. If the long description field exists in the report, delete it.
- B. Next, insert a Dynamic Text field.

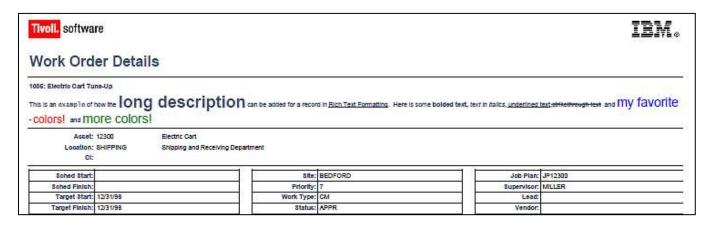


C. The Dynamic Text property has the HTML property set. Add the attribute of the field, longdesc.

Note: The long description attribute will vary depending on how it is defined in the query.



After saving and importing the report into the V7.5 instance, the long description field in the report will display the rich text formatting as it was input in the application as shown below.



#### **Parameters**

Report parameters are used to filter the report data to meet the user's individual business needs or request. V75 reports can execute against a variety of parameter types depending on how they are configured. The three options are:

- 1. Parameterized Reports
- 2. Application Reports
- 3. Both Parameterized and Application Reports

Reference: For more details on the functionality of each of these parameters, reference the v7 Report Design Guide or V75 Report Feature Guide noted at the end of this document.

This section will focus on Parameterized Reports, and their two corresponding types: Bound and Unbound.

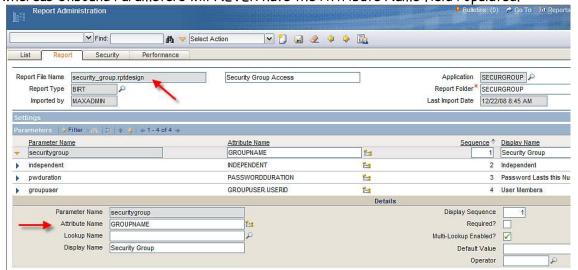
### **Bound Parameters**

Bound parameters either

- exist in the main table of the application the report is registered to or
- exist via a maxrelationship that has been set up for the application.

Bound parameters will be included in the where parameter and do not need to be explicitly included in the report SQL.

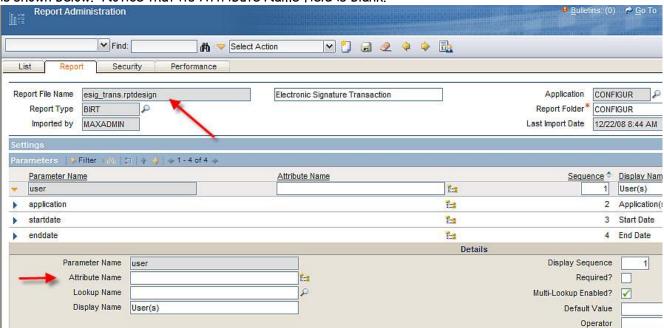
An example of a bound parameter is the Security Group parameter in the Security Group report. Its corresponding entry is shown below from the Report Administration application. Notice its attribute value. Bound parameters will ALWAYS have the Attribute Name Field Populated - whereas Unbound Parameters will NEVER have the Attribute Name field Populated.



# Unbound parameters

- do not exist in the main table of the application and
- are not available through any relationship (defined in maxrelationship) for the main table.
   Unbound parameters are not included in the where clause.

An example of an unbound parameter is the User parameter in the Electronic Signature Transaction report. This parameter is unbound because it does not exist in the main table of the application (CONFIGUR) and does not exist in one of the maxrelationship to this application. This is shown below. Notice that its Attribute Name field is blank.



The Chart below details each of the fields available for parameters in Report Administration (and its reports.xml file) , and whether or not they should be populated for bound versus unbound parameters.

	Bound	Unbound
Advantage	Can have lookups, and do not need	Flexibility.
	to be defined in report's design.	
Parameter Name	Do not need to be defined in	Must be defined in Report's design file
	Report's design file	
Attribute Name	ALWAYS Populated	NEVER Populated
Lookup Name	Can either be populated or not	Can only be used for Unbound Dates
		(*DateLookup Only)
Operator (>, >=, <, <=)	Optional	NEVER Populated
Multi-Lookup Enabled?	Yes or No	Yes or No
Display Sequence	Numeric Value	Numeric Value
Override Label	Any Text	Any Text
Default Value	Can either be populated or not.	Can either be populated or not
	*NOTE: Default Values are not	*NOTE: Default Values are not enabled
	enabled for localization	for localization
Required?	Yes or No	Yes or No
Examples	security_group.rptdesign	eSig_trans.rptdesign

# Specifying Bound parameters in the report design

Bound parameters will be added automatically by V75 to the where parameter, and will be included in the SQL as follows:

sqlText="select wonum, description from workorder where " + params["where"];

## Specifying Unbound parameters in the report design

Unbound parameters must be manually included in the report SQL. The method that you use to do this will vary. You should choose the method depending on where the query will be executed and if it will run multiple times.

## Multi-select or single-select unbound parameters

Multi-select or single-select parameters enable users to enter different numbers of values for parameters. For example, you can enter values like asset1, asset2, asset3 in a multi-select asset parameter.

Multi-select parameters will be passed as a comma-delimited string, may or may not contain = or != symbols, and must be converted to the correct syntax using the MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause() method described previously.

```
For example, consider status as multi-select and worktype and owner as single select:
var params["where"] = "1=1";
var params["status"]= "=WAPPR, =APPR";
var params["worktype"] = "MINOR";
var params["owner"] = "O'NEAL";
"select wonum, description from workorder where "
params["where"]
+ " and "
MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause("workorder.status", params["status"])
" and " + MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause("workorder.worktype", params["worktype"])
" and " + MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause("workorder.owner", "="+ params["owner"]);
This will result on something similar to:
select wonum, description
from workorder
where 1=1
and ((workorder.status = 'WAPPR') and (workorder. status = 'APPR'))
and (workorder.worktype like '%MINOR%')
and (workorder.owner = 'O''NEAL')
```

With the createParamWhereClause() you can escape characters as needed, build where clause from V7.5's formatted value list and understand the operators (=,!=) provided with the values.

Also, you can use query substitution variables for subdataset queries or nested datasets. Please note however, that this option is not optimized for parameters as it is unable to deal with operators.

```
sqlText = "select asset, description from asset where " + params["where"]
+ " and asset.siteid = ? and asset.priority = ? " + " and asset.installdate >= ? ";

maximoDataSet.setQuery(sqlText);
maximoDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(1, params["siteid"]);
maximoDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(2, params["priority"]);
maximoDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(3, new java.sql.Date(params["startDate"]));
```

Finally for unbound date value parameters, you may want to use the MXReportSqlFormat methods that return JDBC String literals (which are database agnostic) and can be concatenated on the query directly:

+ " and asset.installdate >= +

MXReportSqlFormat.JdbcDateFormat.TIMESTAMP.format(ModifyTime.STARTDAY.set(params["
startDate"]))

# Parsing Unbound Parameters

Unbound parameters are passed to the report in a comma-delimited string and may contain operators, so the values must be parsed before including in the report SQL. The following method is used for this:

MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause(String columnName, String paramValue) - Creates a SQL Where clause based on a comma separated list of values contained in paramValue. The parameter value can be specified with a prefix operator where the operator can be any one of <=, <, >=, >, !=, =. If no operator is specified, then it assumes that the search is based on operator SQL LIKE. For example:

```
createParamWhereClause("siteid", "=BEDFORD,=MCLEAN")
evaluates to:
((siteid = 'BEDFORD') or (siteid = 'MCLEAN'))

createParamWhereClause("siteid", "!=BEDFORD,!=MCLEAN,TEXAS")
evaluates to:
((siteid != 'BEDFORD') and (siteid != 'MCLEAN')) or ((siteid like '%TEXAS%'))
```

If you have unbound parameters that need to be manually included in the SQL (are not included in the where clause), do not directly include them as follows:

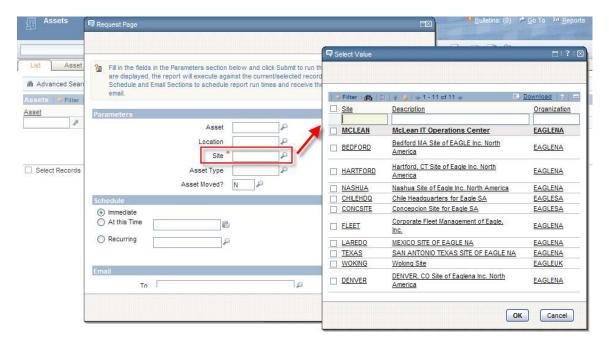
```
sqlText = "select asset, description from asset where asset.siteid = '" + params["siteid"] + "'"
```

Instead, pass them through the MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause method: sqlText = "select asset, description from asset where asset.siteid = " + MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause("asset.siteid", params["siteid"]);

It is advised to use this method on all parameters - not just multi select ones. Use MXReportSqlFormat.createParamWhereClause(".<column>", "="+<value>) when the value is known to be exact. The "=" before the value ensures output as an exact search clause while without it the clause may be generated using like '%<value>%'.

### Creating Custom Report Parameter Lookups

You may need to create parameters with lookups for your custom reports. Lookups are accessed from parameters on a report's request page. In the screenshot below, the report's request page with five different parameters is shown below. The lookup for the Site parameter is highlighted.



This section presents a variety of options for you to consider when you need to create custom lookups, including

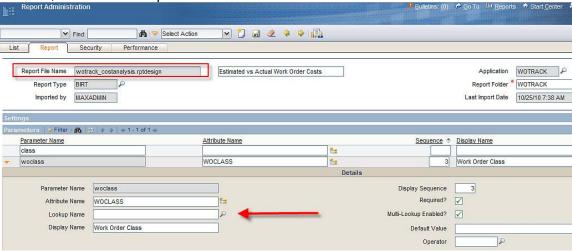
- A. Using valuelists for parameter lookups with fields that have domains
- B. Using existing lookups
- C. Modifying existing lookups

#### A. Using valuelists for parameter lookups with fields that have domains

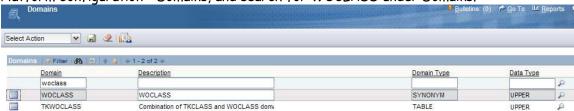
In this method, parameter lookups will be enabled by using valuelists for fields that have domains. Domains have a special status because field validation classes are not required if the field has a domain and the 'valuelist' lookup is used. Lookups for fields with domains can nearly always be used for report parameters.

To illustrate this, a lookup will be created for the Work Order Class parameter on the Version 7.5 Estimated versus Actual Work Order Cost Report.

- 1. Sign into Maximo as a user with access to the following Maximo Applications: Report Administration, Domains, Database Configuration and Application Designer.
- 2. Access the Report Administration application.
- 3. Search for the Estimated vs Actual Work Order Cost Report, and open up the Work Order Class parameter. The attribute name for its parameter is populated so it is a bound parameter. However, notice its Lookup Name field is blank.



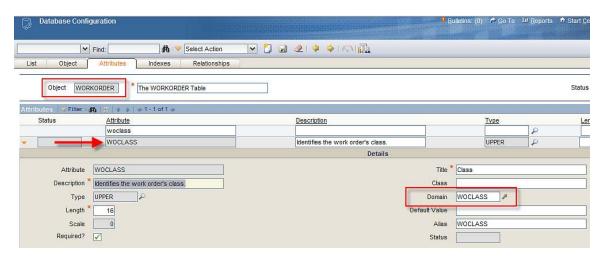
4. Next, verify that a domain exists for Work Order Class. Go to System Configuration - Platform Configuration - Domains, and search for WOCLASS under Domains.



Click on its detail to see its synonym domain values as shown below.



- 5. Now, verify that the WOCLASS domain is associated with the WORKORDER.WOCLASS attribute. To do this, access System Configuration Platform Configuration Database Configuration.
  - Search for the Workorder Object.
  - Then, search for its attribute WOCLASS. Notice it has a Domain value of WOCLASS.



#### Notes on Domains:

- A. If either the domain, or the attribute's relationship to the domain did not exist, they would have to be created. Details on how to do this are described in the 'Application Developer Guide'
- B. For more information on domains, access the 'System Administration Guide'.

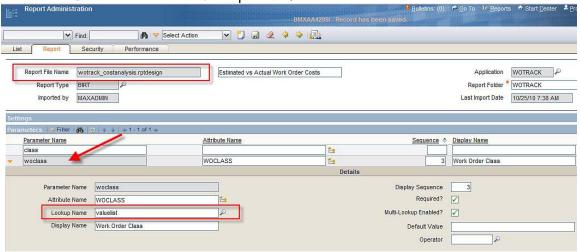
Both of these guides are available at the Information Center below:

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/tivihelp/v3r1/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.itmaxam.doc/welcome.htm

6. In this step, the attribute's domain will be added to the report, so lookup values can be enabled from the parameter.

To do this, go back to the Report Administration application.

- Locate the report, and open up the work order class parameter.
- Enter valuelist in its Lookup Name field



7. Save the change, and recreate the report xml by clicking on the button 'Generate Request Page'.

List Report Security Performance Fill in the fields in the Parameters section below and click Submit to run the report. If no parameter are displayed, the report will execute against the current/selected record set. Optionally, fill out the Schedule and Email Sections to schedule report run times and receive the scheduled report via er Report File Name wotrack\_costanalysis.rptdesign TRACK Report Type BIRT P TRACK Imported by MAXADMIN 5/10 7:38 AM Work Order Status \* Work Order Type Limit Records? Browser View? Max Record Limit Work Order Class Schedule Only? Direct Print? Priority Direct Print Location NONE rint with Attachments? Site \* Location NONE Start Date Preview Generate Requ - status worktype Submit Cancel costesttype

Fill in the fields in the Parameters section below and click Submit to run the report. If no parameters OTRACK are displayed, the report will execute against the current/selected record set. Optionally, fill out the Schedule and Email Sections to schedule report run times and receive the scheduled report via email. OTRACK /25/10 7:38 AM Work Order Status \* Work Order Type Browser View Browser View Location Work Order Class \* Direct Print Estimate prepared at WO Generation?? \* Y Select Value Site Start Date \* End Date \* Filter • 🙌 🗀 | 💠 🖐 | 💠 1 - 4 of 4 ☐ <u>Value</u> Description At this Time ACTIVITY Activity CHANGE Recurring Change RELEASE Release Work Order OK Cancel SITEID

9. Click on the Lookup next to the Work Order Class parameter, and its lookup values display.

#### B. Using existing lookups

You may be able to use existing V75 lookups with custom bound report parameters. You can see which lookups are available by searching thru the lookup on the Lookup Name field in the Report Administration applicatio.

You may find this to be a trial-and-error process since V75 lookup behavior is controlled by field classes, which are classes that are assigned to the attribute definition in Database Configuration. Many of the default lookups will not work correctly when applied to report parameters, either because there is no field class for the bound attribute, or because there is logic in the field class that inappropriately limits the results of the lookup. In these cases the lookup may return no results, a subset of the expected results, or may contain Invalid Bindings.

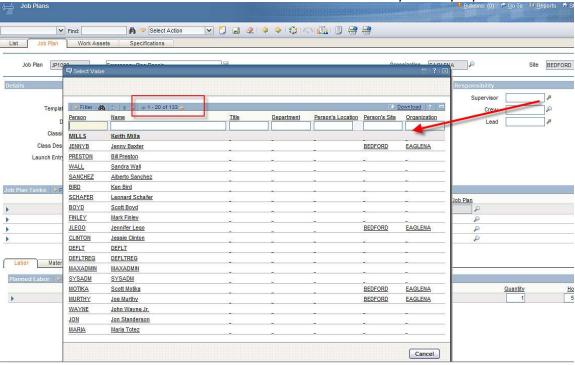
With this method, you simply try out the lookup(s) you identify as possible candidates and evaluate whether they return the desired results. You can use SQL logging to examine the query used to populate the lookup to ensure there are no inappropriate filters applied.

#### C. Modifying existing lookups

If the lookup attribute does not have the required field class, or the field class is not configured to provide the expected values, you can produce the desired results by creating a copy of the lookup and specifying a value for the mboname attribute. This method also has the advantage that you can modify the fields included in the lookup.

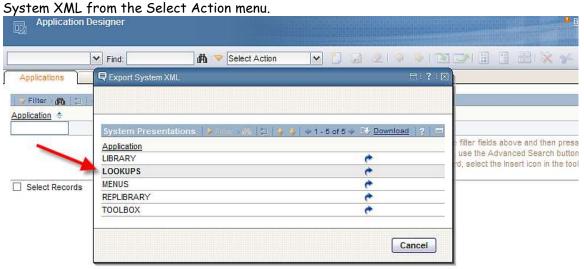
As an example, the person lookup will be modified to use with a parameter bound to the supervisor field in the Job Plan application.

This existing lookup is shown below within the Job Plan application. Notice that the lookup includes 133 people instead of the full 134 in the person table for the maxdemo database. This is because the field class for this field restricts the results to only active people.



To modify the existing lookup for reporting, follow the steps below.

1. Go to System Configuration - Platform Configuration - Application Designer and select Export



2. Open the file in a text editor. Locate the person lookup by searching for id-person. The first line of this is shown below.

- 3. Copy the person lookup and scroll to the bottom of the file. Insert some lines before the </systemlib>.
- 4 Paste the copied person lookup, and then modify the first line to include the mboname attribute, for example:

Should be updated to

5. Replace all remaining occurrences of 'id="person' with 'id="person\_rpt', for example:

<tablebody id="person\_lookup\_tablebody" filterexpanded="true" filterable="true"
displayrowsperpage="20" >

would become

<tablebody id="person\_rpt\_lookup\_tablebody" filterexpanded="true" filterable="true"
displayrowsperpage="20" >

The new entire entry is shown below.

```
</tabl
```

- 5. The changes made to the xml file now have to be imported into Version 7.5. To do this, go back to the Application Designer.
- 6. Click on the 'Import Application Definition' Icon in the toolbar. Browse to the location of the lookups.xml file that you modified.

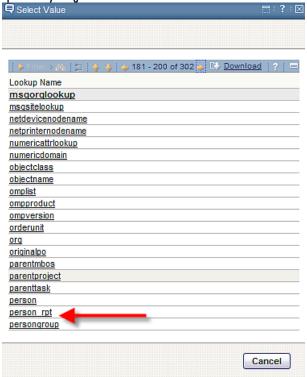
Note: the default path of lookups.xml is <V7.5>resources\presentations\system **Application Designer** 💌 👸 🔒 坐 | 💠 | 🏲 💇 🚅 | 🔡 ✓ Find: Select Action Applications Workspace Application JOBPLAN Job Plans page... Import Application Definition **□:?:**⊠ tabgroup Job Plan M Advanced Search Browse for a file: C:\local\builds\7118\resources\pre Browse. Job Plans | Filter > dPh tablebody... Job Plan OK Cancel

7. Click OK. When it is completed, a message will display in the toolbar.

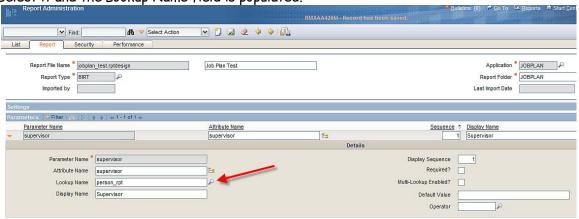
8. Next, access the Report Administration application. Add a new sample report called Job Plan Test, with a supervisor parameter.

In the Parameter's Lookup Name field, click on the lookup. Scroll to find the new person\_rpt

parameter lookup that you just added.

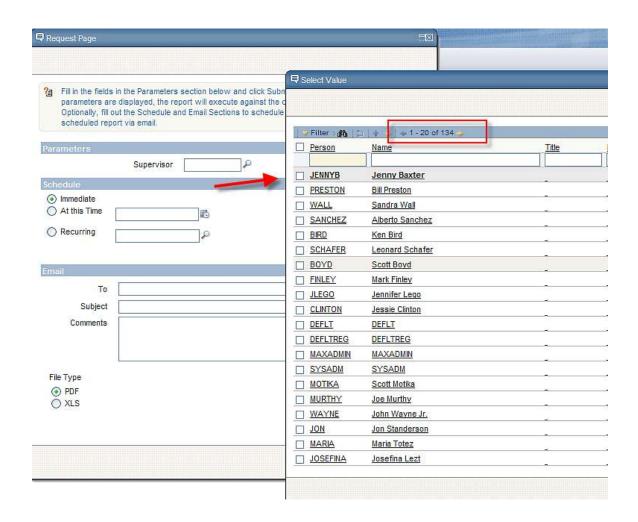


8. Select it and the Lookup Name field is populated.



9. Save the record. Generate the report xml for the test report you have just registered.

After the XML has been created, click on Preview. Next to the Supervisor parameter, a lookup now exists. Click on the Lookup, and the values for Supervisor appear. Notice that the person records are no longer filtered, and all records appear.



#### Parameter Notes

## Number of Parameter Values

1. The maximum number of User Inputted Report parameters that are enabled for reports is 23. These include 15 Non-Date Time Parameters, and 8 Date-Time parameters. If more than the 15 Non-Date and 8 Date-Time Parameters are entered, invalid bindings will display on the report's request page.

## <u>Utilizing Parameter Values on a Report's Request Page</u>

2. Bound and Unbound parameters behave the same way when a user enters values on the Request Page. This means that if there is a parameter for Status, the following will occur:

User entered parameter value	Report Results
=APPR	Records where status = APPR
APPR	Records where status = WAPPR, APPR
%APPR	Records where status = WAPPR, APPR

#### Boolean Parameter Values

- 3. Reports that use boolean values as parameters must follow the guidelines below:
- A. The parameter in the report design must be defined as a string type

  This is required for localization purposes.
- B. If the parameter value is required to be passed to a SQL statement, then the parameter value must be converted to integer value (1 or 0) as the database has 1 or 0

An API call has been added to the dataset code (getBooleanInteger(string)) that can be used for this purpose. Here is an example:

```
var isActiveFlag = params["isactive"];
mySQL = "select isactive from collection where isactive=?";
myDataSet.setQuery(mySQL);
myDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(1, myDataSet.getBooleanInteger(isActiveFlag));
or
mySQL = "select isactive from collection where isactive=?";
myDataSet.setQuery(mySQL);
myDataSet.setQueryParameterValue(1,
myDataSet.getBooleanInteger(params["isactive"]));
```

#### Optional Parameters

4. Optional parameters are best handled by direct inclusion. In the following example, site and start date are optional. If values are specified, they are appended to the where parameter (to preserve the existing where parameter content). Priority is still mandatory:

```
var where = params["where"];
if (params["siteid"].value)
where = where + " and " + asset.siteid = "" + params["siteid"] + "";
if (params["startdate"].value)
where = where + " and matusetrans.actualdate >= " +
MXReportSqlFormat.getStartDayTimestampFunction(params["startdate"]);
sqlText = "select asset, description from asset where " + params["where"]
+ " and asset.priority = " + params["priority"];
```

## YORN Lookup

A YORN lookup is available for Yes or No values. This lookup can be used in reports to eliminate the question of 'Do I enter Yes or Y or 1?' in a parameters value. For the Out of the Box Reports, the Security Group Access report (security\_group.rptdesign) has been updated to include the new YORN lookup. This can be used as an example of how you can apply this lookup.

A condensed version of the reports.xml for this report is below to show how it's the YORN parameter is set. To find the complete version, access the file under <V75>\reports\birt\reports\USER

## Viewing Parameters

6. If you drag parameters directly on to the report, you will receive the following errors in the Web Viewer, although report content will not be affected:

A report document error occurred when loading: Subquery A report document error occurred when loading: Result Class

This happens because the bindings are created only at the cell level, not at the table level. To ensure the correct binding, insert Data elements and using the Expression Builder, set the values to the parameters (choose "Report Parameters" from the Category window).

# Requirements for using lookups with Parameters

7. To enable a parameter lookup, the parameter must have an equivalent attribute. This makes the parameter bound as noted in the beginning portion of the parameter section.

Additionally, as noted above, unbound parameter values which have no attributes, cannot have a lookup. Domain lookups can only be used when bound to a field that has the domain assigned to it. The only two exceptions to this are the datelookup and yornlookuplist which can be associated to unbound parameter values.

# Extending Ad Hoc Reports in BIRT Designer

To reduce report development time, you can utilize the Ad Hoc reporting functionality as an excellent starting point for your custom report development. The section below details how this can be enabled.

#### Use Ad Hoc Reporting as a base for Custom Report Development

When Ad Hoc Report is created and saved, its resulting design file (.rptdesign) that was created on the fly is saved to the database. This enables the report to be accessed in the future for immediate run access or scheduling and emailing.

Additionally, once the report is saved in the database, it can be extended within the Report Designer tool. By simply exporting the report and opening it in the design tool, you can quickly build upon the report design by adding calculations, graphs or additional features.

This can become a huge time saving feature for your custom report development because ad hoc reports can be created with complex sql from multiple tables, filters and application queries. Instead of having the developers perform the tasks of creating and testing the sql, laying out and defining the fields - you can let the V7.5 framework perform this work. The developer can then extend the ad hoc report as required in the designer.

To show how this can be accomplished, an example below is given. First, the Ad Hoc report is created and saved. In this case, the report is created in the Asset Application, and called 'Asset Specifications and Work Order Details.'

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Then, the report is exported for its repository in the database to a local file system. This is done via a command utility. The command utility uses a property file to enable this. Therefore, you must configure the reporttools.properties file. It is located at: <V7>\reports\birt\tools

# HostName or IP address of the machine that has MAXIMO application running in an App Server maximo.report.birt.hostname=localhost

# HTTP port of the application server (the port used to access maximo from browser) maximo.report.birt.port=9080

```
# Indicates whether the SSL communication is enabled or not
maximo.report.birt.ssl=false

# User that has access to perform the operation
maximo.report.birt.username=wilson

# Password of the user that has access to perform the operation
maximo.report.birt.password=wilson

# Output folder used for the export operation
```

maximo.report.birt.outputfolder=c:/7116/reports/birt/export/asset

The output folder highlighted in red details the location of where the exported Ad Hoc Report

To export an Ad Hoc Report, open a command window. Navigate down to the exportcommands path.... <V7>reports\birt\tools

```
Command Prompt

Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]

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C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\cd c:\

C:\>cd 7116\reports\birt\tools

C:\7116\reports\birt\tools\exportreports app asset
```

Then, export all of the reports from the asset application by: exportreports app asset

will be placed.

```
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_glaccount.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_measurehist.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_po.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_subassembly.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_moust be proved asset mouse history.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] detailasset_fail.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] drillasset_fail.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] gaps_overlaps.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] mgmt_sw.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] oeekpi_by_asset.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] oeekpi_by_location.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] oeekpi_by_site.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] sumasset_fail.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] sumasset_fail.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_wilson1264444754.rptdesign
[exportreports] Exporting report: [ASSET] asset_wilson1264447774.rptdesign

BUILD SUCCESSFUL
Total time: 30 seconds

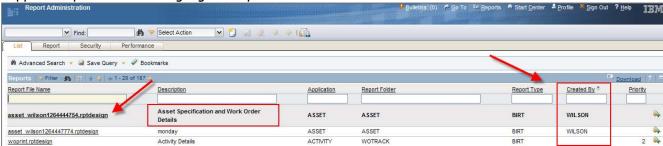
C:\7116\reports\birt\tools>
```

\*Note: You can also export only a single report by using the command:

exportreport report <application> <reportfilename>

However, all command files work with file names - not the report descriptions that users assign during Ad Hoc Report Creation. So to use this command, you first must know the exact name of the QBR report. To find this name, access Report Admin, and filter on Created By. Ad Hoc reports are identified where the Created By field is not null.

Copy the report file name highlighted by the arrow on the left



Then execute the command to export a single report

```
C:\7116\reports\birt\tools\exportreport report asset asset_wilson1264444754.rptd esign
Unable to locate tools.jar. Expected to find it in C:\7116\tools\java\lib\tools.jar
Buildfile: .\exportreport.xml

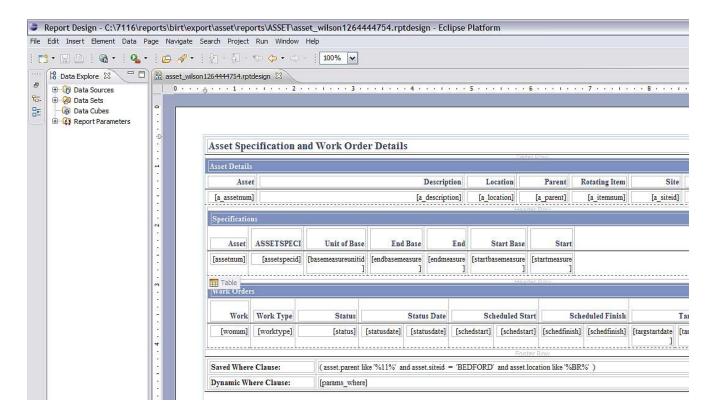
init:
    [echo] Using the following settings:
    [echo] hostname: localhost
    [echo] port: 9080
    [echo] ssl: false
    [echo] username: maxadmin

report:
    [echo] Exporting Report asset_wilson1264444754.rptdesign
[exportreport] Exporting report: [asset] asset_wilson1264444754.rptdesign

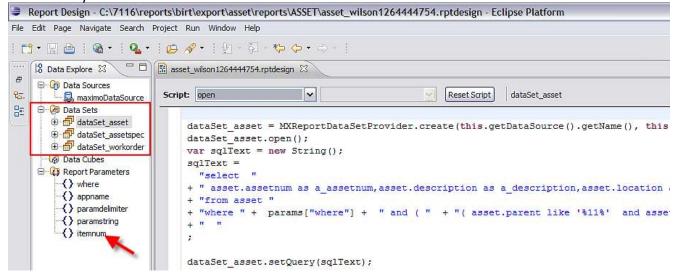
BUILD SUCCESSFUL
Total time: 0 seconds

C:\7116\reports\birt\tools>
```

Once you have exported the ad hoc report, open up the Report Designer tool From the menu, click File - Open File and navigate to the directory where you exported your reports. Select the Ad Hoc Report's .rptdesign file, and it displays in the designer.



You can immediately see that you have an excellent beginning to extend this report further for any other customizations you may need. Multiple data sets (subreports) can be already populated, parameters included and complex sql statements including application queries can already be formed for you.



This can become an excellent starting point for your report developer.

Note: If the developer chooses to modify the design file, it is recommended that the report file name be modified to identify it from the original file. If the developer plans on utilizing this report as an Enterprise Report, he would need to create and/or append the reports.xml and properties file for the new enterprise report. Additionally, because it is now an enterprise report, it would need to be imported through the reports import command, or the UI utility in the Report Administration application.

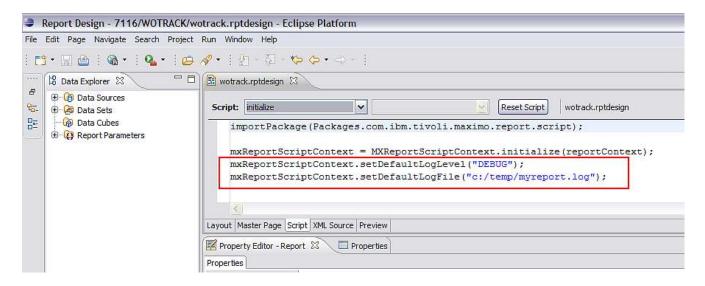
## Debugging within the BIRT Report Design tool

You can log information about the report that you are developing within the BIRT Report Design Tool. This logging is used only when you preview a report within the Report Design Tool.

Reference: For more details on report logging, including how to enable it within the V7 application, reference the V7 Report Logging Guide noted at the end of this document.

To do this, access the Report initialize method, and add the following two lines of code:

mxReportScriptContext.setDefaultLogLevel("DEBUG");
mxReportScriptContext.setDefaultLogFile("c:/temp/myreport.log");



Five different log levels are supported, which are DEBUG, INFO, WARN, ERROR, FATAL. These levels are described in more detail below. Since this logging is primarily used for debugging report design issues, it is recommended that you use the DEBUG level.

Replace the file path location shown here as "c:/temp/myreport.log" with the file path for your individual environment.

Note: This logging is not used when executing a report from the Maximo applications. Once your report runs, you do not need to remove this logging.

Additionally, to log custom information, you can use the mxReportScriptContext variable to get a script logger, which can then be used throughout your report. You can add this to the report initialize method also as shown here.

```
scriptLogger = mxReportScriptContext.getReportScriptLogger();
if (scriptLogger.isDebugEnabled())
        scriptLogger.debug("***My Debug Message ****");
Report Design - 7116/ASSET/asset_measurehist.rptdesign - Eclipse Platform
File Edit Page Navigate Search Project Run Window Help
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                                                                                            asset measurehist.rptdesign
     ⊕ B Data Sets
      Data Cubes
                               importPackage (Packages.com.ibm.tivoli.maximo.report.script)
     ⊕ Report Parameters
                               mxReportScriptContext = MXReportScriptContext.initialize(reportContext);
                               mxReportScriptContext.setDefaultLogLevel("DEBUG");
                               mxReportScriptContext.setDefaultLogFile("./temp/assetmeasurehist.log");
                               scriptLogger = mxReportScriptContext.getReportScriptLogger();
```

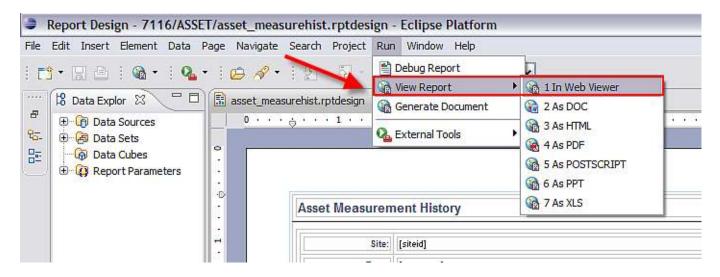
Unlike the default logging, these logging messages are written to the Maximo log files when the report is run from within Maximo. In this case, the default log level specified in the report is ignored. Instead, the maximo.report.birt log level from Maximo is used.

You can use any of the following methods below from ReportLogger to log information.

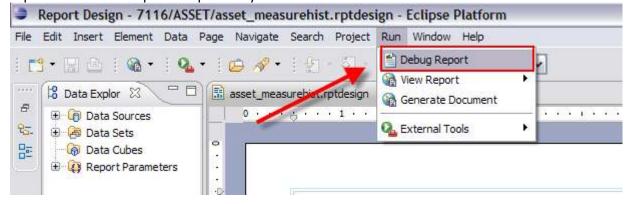
```
boolean isDebugEnabled();
boolean isErrorEnabled();
boolean isFatalEnabled();
boolean isInfoEnabled();
boolean isWarnEnabled();
void debug(Object message);
void info(Object message);
void warn(Object message);
void error(Object message);
void fatal(Object message);
```

# Report Designer best practices for debugging

1. Preview reports by using the Web Viewer - View Report Section within the BIRT report designer. This displays the closest representation to report execution from within the various Maximo applications.



2. Within the BIRT 2.3.2 Report Designer, a 'Debug Report' Options is available. Do not use this functionality because it does not properly display information with the Maximo implementation of reports due to the report script library.



Note: More information on debugging within the V7 applications is noted in the Report Logging document referenced at the end of this document.

## Miscellaneous Features

## Database Update Functionality

You can add database update functionality to reports. With this functionality, the reports should be able to execute Database SQL UPDATE/INSERT/DELETE statements against a specific data source. Examples of out of the box reports that use this functionality include:

Asset Cost Rollup (asset\_costrollup\_update.rptdesign, located under ASSET subfolder) Inventory ABC (inventory\_abc.rptdesign, located under INVENTOR subfolder)

Here is an example of how this can be used. (Note: all examples are illustrated with SQL UPDATE stament, but SQL INSERT and DELETE can be used similarly)

1. executing the update within a DataSet (any of the open/describe/fetch/close/beforeOpen/beforeClose/onFetch/afterOpen/afterClose events)

```
myTxn = MXReportTxnProvider.create(this.getDataSource().getName());
myStmt = myTxn.createStatement();
myStmt.setQuery("update ... set .... = ....");
myTxn.save();
```

2. executing the update outside of a DataSet

```
myTxn = MXReportTxnProvider.create("MAXIMODATASOURCE");
myStmt = myTxn.createStatement();
myStmt.setQuery("update ... set .... = ....");
myTxn.save();
```

3. executing multiple updates

```
myTxn = MXReportTxnProvider.create(this.getDataSource().getName());
myStmt1 = myTxn.createStatement();
myStmt1.setQuery("update ... set .... = ....");
myStmt2 = myTxn.createStatement();
myStmt2.setQuery("update ... set .... = ....");
myTxn.save();
```

4. executing with parameters.

## Registering a Report to Multiple Applications

Some reports can be accessed from multiple applications. To implement this in your custom environment, do not make copies of the design files in each application. Instead store the report in the primary application report folder, and register it to the other applications by including it in the reports.xml for each application. The detailed steps for this process are noted here.

- 1. Create the normal import entry in the home application's reports.xml.
- 2. Copy the entry to the reports.xml file for any other application that uses the report.
- 3. Change the <filename> entry to reflect the relative path to the actual report location, for example:

<attribute name="filename">../PO/po\_act.rptdesign</attribute>

- 4. Change the other report administration values as appropriate.
- 5. If there are bound parameters, you may need to modify them since bindings that work in one application may not work in another.

## Registering a Report with Quick Toolbar Access

Application reports can be enabled for Quick Toolbar Access. These are reports where no parameters are specified, and they execute against the application filter and/or query. The types of quick toolbar access are described and shown in the chart below.

BV: (Browser View) Enables the user to click on the BV icon in the application's toolbar, and the report opens immediately in the Report Browser.

DP: (Direct Print) Enables the user to click on the DP icon in the application's toolbar, and the report prints on the user's default printer. The report does not display in the report browser session.

DPA: (Direct Print with Attach Documents) Enables the user to click on the DPA icon in the application's toolbar, and the report and any of its printable attachments, print on the user's default printer. The report does not display in the report browser session.

	Description	Database Field	Toolbar Location	Sequence
BV	Browser View	REPORT.QL	REPORT.QLLOC	REPORT.TOOLBARSEQUENCE
DP	Direct Print	REPORT.DP	REPORT.DPLOC	REPORT.TOOLBARSEQUENCE
DPA	Direct Print with Attach Documents	REPORT.PAD	REPORT.PADLOC	REPORT.TOOLBARSEQUENCE

An example of a report that has these settings defined can be found in the WOTRACK folder <report name="wotrack.rptdesign">

```
<attribute name="filename">wotrack.rptdesign</attribute>
<attribute name="description">Work Order List</attribute>
<attribute name="qlloc">ALL</attribute>
<attribute name="qlloc">ALL</attribute>
<attribute name="toolbarsequence">1</attribute>
<attribute name="attacheddoc">0</attribute>
<attribute name="norequestpage">0</attribute>
<attribute name="detail">0</attribute>
<attribute name="detail">0</attribute>
<attribute name="reportfolder">WOTRACK</attribute>
<attribute>
```

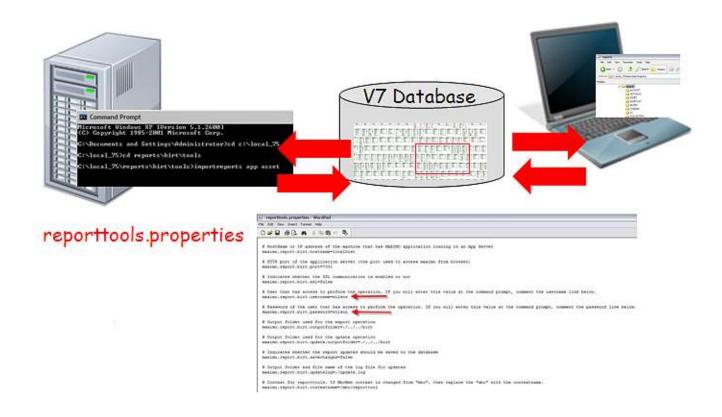
<resources>

# Importing Report Designs into the V75 Database

As noted earlier, the repository for the report design files is the V75 database. These files are extracted at run time to meet the individual's report request.

Administrators and developers may need to import or export report design files from the V75 database repository. For example, they may need to export existing or ad hoc report design files from the database so the design files can be modified in the report design tool. Then, once the updates are made, the administrator would import the updated design file into the database.

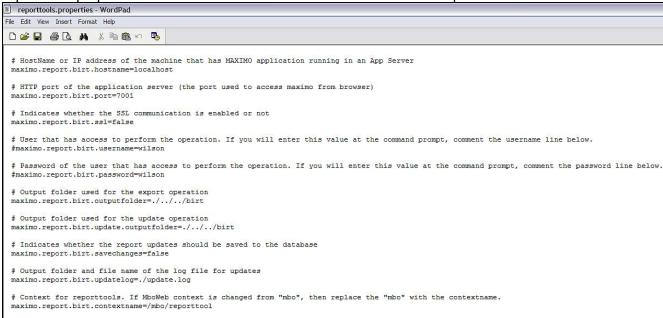
Importing and exporting of the report design files can be done via command utilities. A key component of these utilities is a properties file called reporttools.properties. This property file contains information on the application server, the file directory where the reports designs are either coming from or going to, and username and password information on the user performing the operation. This process is shown in the diagram below.



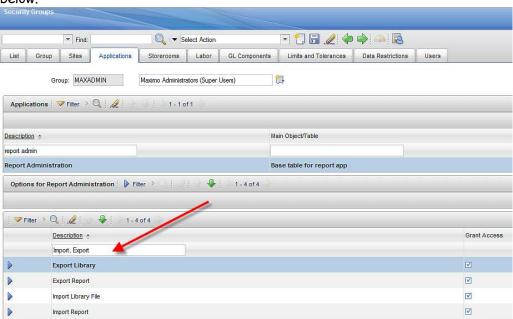
## Set Up: reporttools.properties

Before the importing or exporting processes can occur, the reporttools.properties file must be configured by following the steps below

Browse to the tool location ...<br/>
V75>\reports\birt\tools. Locate and open the reporttools.properties file shown below. Enter the standard values required for this file.



Within this file, there are entries for the user who has privileges to import and export reports. This user is defined in the Security Group Application in Maximo per the privileges highlighted below.



You have the option to both input the username and password into the property file, or not.

If you enter the username and password values in the reporttools.properties file, they will be used when the import or export utility is used. This is shown in the example below.

# User that has access to perform the operation maximo.report.birt.username=wilson

# Password of the user that has access to perform the operation maximo.report.birt.password=wilson

```
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
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C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\cd c:\

C:\Cd local_75\reports\birt\tools

C:\local_75\reports\birt\tools\reports app ASSET
Unable to locate tools.jar. Expected to find it in C:\local_75\tools\java\lin\tools.jar

Buildfile: C:\local_75\reports\birt\tools\rimportreports.xml

init:
    [input] skipping input as property maximo.report.birt.username has already been set.
    [input] skipping input as property maximo.report.birt.password has already been set.
    [echo] Using the following settings:
    [echo] bostname: localhost
    [echo] port: 7001
[echo] ssl: false

app:
    [echo] Importing Reports
[importreports] Importing reports from: C:\local_75\reports\birt\tools\..\reports
[importreports] Importing reports defined in: reports.xml
[importreports] Importing report: asset_availability.rptdesign
```

If you *do not* enter the username and password values in the reporttools.properties file, you will be prompted to enter them when you execute the import or export utilities per the example below.

# User that has access to perform the operation #maximo.report.birt.username=abcabc

# Password of the user that has access to perform the operation #maximo.report.birt.password=abcabc

```
Command Prompt - importreports app ASSET

Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
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C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\cd c:\local_75\reports

C:\local_75\reports\cd birt\tools

C:\local_75\reports\birt\tools\importreports app ASSET

Unable to locate tools.jar. Expected to find it in C:\local_75\tools\java\lib\tools\inportreports\birt\tools\importreports.xml

init:
Enter Username:
Enter Password:_
```

## Import Command Utility

Importing brings reports into the database. If the report design is new, a new record will be created in the database. If the report design exists, the import process will over-write the existing file. After the import is complete, the updated or new files will be located in the REPORTDESIGN table, which holds the design files, resource files and library files.

If you have a large number of reports to import, you may want to use the import command utility. The import process uses the reports.xml file to import the report design files in the database. A reports.xml file is available for each application that has reports, and is located in the directory <775>reports\birt\reports.

The reports.xml file references each report design for the individual application. If a report design is not referenced in the reports.xml file, it will not be imported during the command utility process. Details on updating the reports.xml file for any new report files you may create can be found in the 'V75 Report Developer's Guide' referenced at the end of this document.

To use the import utility, follow the steps below.

1. On the V75 server, open a command prompt window and change to the folder  $\V75\$  \reports\birt\tools.

Then, run any of the following variations of the import utility

#### A. importreports

Imports all reports, libraries and resource files in the single import action.

B. importreports help

Displays details on the various import commands

C. importreports libraries

Imports all the libraries

D. importreports reports

Imports all the reports

E. importreports app [appname]

Imports all reports for a specified application.

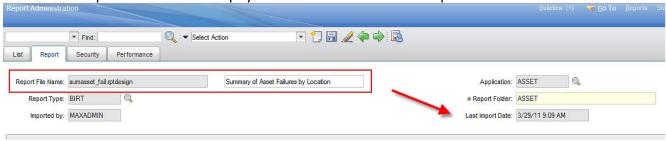
This command is useful if you only want to import reports for a single application. For example: importreports app CONFIGUR will import all the reports in the CONFIGURATION application. These are the reports found in the directory below:

<V75> \reports\birt\reports\CONFIGUR

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Command Prompt - importreports
                                          Importing report: woprint.rptdesign
Importing reports for app: ACTUALCI
Importing reports defined in: reports.xml
Importing report: actualci_detail.rptdesign
Importing report: actualci_history.rptdesign
Importing reports for app: ASSET
Importing reports defined in: reports.xml
Importing report: asset_availability.rptdesign
Importing report: detailasset_fail.rptdesign
Importing report: drillasset_fail_tbl.rptdesign
Importing report: sumasset_fail.rptdesign
Importing report: asset_costrollup.rptdesign
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4. After the import is complete, sign into your V7.5 instance as the administrator. Go to the Report Administration application, and generate the XML for the reports. This completes the process for importing new or updated design files.

Additionally, you can view that the import occurred by looking at the 'Last Import Date' field for an individual report record. This displays the date/time of the last import.



Note: Details on importing a report thru the Report Administration application are provided in the V75 Report Feature guide referenced at the end of this document.

## Export Command Utility

You may want to export report design files for a report developer to modify, or you may to extend an Ad Hoc or Query Based (QBR) report. For example, a user asks that an Ad Hoc report he created be extended to include a bar chart to the report. To save the developer time, the Ad Hoc report can be exported, and opened in the BIRT Designer. The developer can add the bar chart, and then import the design file back into the database as an enterprise report.

Exporting of reports is enabled as a utility only.

To enable exporting, go to the server, open a command prompt window and change to the folder <775> \reports\birt\tools. Then, any of the commands below are available:

- A. exportreports

  Exports all libraries and reports.
- B. exportreports report Exports all reports.
- C. exportreports library Exports all libraries.
- D. exportreports app [appname] Exports all reports for the specified application.
- E. exportreport report [appname] [reportfilename] Exports single, specified report for the specified application.

The report will be exported to the location defined by

- (1) the reporttools.properties file and
- (2) its report folder that it is registered to in the Report Administration application.

#### Export Example

The example below will use wotrack.rptdesign to show the exporting functionality. The reporttools.properties file has been set to use the output location shown below in red:

maximo.report.birt.outputfolder= c:/V75/reports/birt/reports

Additionally, the wotrack.rptdesign is located in the following applications and report folders:

Report Name	App Name	Report Folder	Description
woprint.rptdesign	QUICKREP	WOTRACK	Quick Reporting
woprint.rptdesign	CHANGE	WOTRACK	Change
woprint.rptdesign	RELEASE	WOTRACK	Release
woprint.rptdesign	ACTIVITY	WOTRACK	Activity
woprint.rptdesign	WOTRACK	WOTRACK	Work Order

When the various exports commands are executed, the following will occur:

#### 1. exportreports

Exports all reports to c:/V75/reports/birt/reports and their various subfolders

AND Exports all libraries to c:/V75/reports/birt/libraries

#### 2. exportreports report

Exports all reports to c:/V75/reports/birt/reports and their various subfolders

#### 3. exportreports library

Export all libraries to c:/V75/reports/birt/libraries

#### 4. exportreports app WOTRACK

Exports all reports registered to WOTRACK to c:/V75/reports/birt/reports/WOTRACK

#### 5. exportreport report WOTRACK woprint.rptdesign

Exports woprint.rptdesign to c:/V75/reports/birt/reports/WOTRACK

#### Additional Export Details

- A. If a report structure is not available in the location where the export is to occur, a file structure will be created.
- B. If a reports.xml is not available in the location where the export is to occur, the reports.xml will be created.
  - This may occur if you create a new custom report design file, and register and import the report thru the Report Administration application.
  - If you do this and you make subsequent changes to the parameters or settings of the report in the Report Administration application, make sure to export the report design file so any changes you are made are captured in the new reports.xml file.
- C. If a reports.xml file does exist the export will not overwrite the existing file.
  - In this case, a new one will be created using a -filename. Ex: In WOTRACK folder,
    if reports.xml exists and a new export occurs, a new reports-wotrack.xml file will
    be created.
    - This new reports-wotrack.xml will take precedence over the reports.xml file during any future importing actions.
- D. Both the import and export command utility tools use HTTP, not RMI, to support application server security. Only BASIC authentication is supported.

To enable the utilities for use with application server security, you must modify <V75>\applications\maximo\mboweb\webmodule\WEB-INF\web.xml. Open the file with a text editor and search for "AppServer security". Then, follow the instructions under the NOTE.

## Understanding the reports.xml import file

One of the report developer's responsibilities is to create the reports.xml file. This file is required so the report design can be properly imported into the V7 database repository.

The reports.xml includes important information on the report, including its report design file, application, unique settings for the report (including direct print, sequencing or priority values) and parameter information.

If the reports.xml contains parameter values with appropriate attributes, then the import tool inserts or updates the report parameter table (reportlookup) with the information. The attribute names of the parameters are the columns of the reportlookup table. If the parameter name defined in the reports.xml for a given report does not exist in the report, it is ignored. Some of the attribute values are defaulted to what is in the report if they are not specified in the import file.

When specifying a greater than or less than symbol for a parameter operator, you must escape the symbols as follows:

	Symbol	Description
<	<	Less than
>	>	Greater than
&	&	Ampersand
'	1	Apostrophe
"	II	Quotation mark

As noted in the report design file structure section at the beginning of this guide, each application folder under reports\birt\reports will have an import file named reports.xml for the delivered, out of the box reports.

If you are modifying or creating your own custom reports, it is highly recommended that you create your own reports.xml file. This will insure that any updates you make are not over-written in future fix pack or release updates, and also enable you to quickly identify your custom reports. More details on this are in the section above titled 'Your Custom Reports and the Report File Structure'.

## Preparing the reports.xml

If you are creating a reports.xml file for your modified or new custom report, you can use any text editor like word pad or notepad. The work to create the reports.xml file is not done in the report design tool.

You can create a reports.xml file by following the steps below.

- 1. Copy an existing reports.xml file either from the application your report will reside in or one that is very similar to your new report requirements.
- 2. Rename the copied version to a unique identifier, which could include attaching your company name at the end of the file, like reports\_abc.xml.
- 3. If you are modifying an existing report, modify the values for the new report file name and any other attribute changes.
- 4. If you are adding a new report, either enter new values or modify existing values for the new report content.
- 5. Delete all other references to design files that you have not modified. Save.

#### Notes:

- A. For an example of a report using a parameter, reference the Security Group Report (security\_group.rptdesign) located in < \text{V7.5} \text{reports}\\ SECURITY
- B. For an example of reports using the application query and having various toolbar settings enabled, reference the Job Plan List and Detail reports located in
  - < V75> \reports\birt\reports\JOBPLAN
- C. If you are unsure what Out of the box have which parameter values, access the V75 Report Booklet referenced at the end of this guide. This contains details on each report's parameters, along with various toolbar settings that are enabled for each report.
- D. Below please find more details each of the fields that can be used in defining a report in the reports.xml file. Each setting is not required, and those settings not required are noted in black text.

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RED = Required Fields that must be used in defining any report
BLACK = Optional Fields.
BLUE = Text defining field value
<reports>
        <report name="jobplan_test.rptdesign">
        #Complete File Name of Report Design, including .rptdesign extension
                <attribute name="filename">jobplan_test.rptdesign</attribute>
                #File Name of Report Design, including .rptdesign extension
                <attribute name="description">Job Plan Test</attribute>
                #Description of Report Design which appears in 'Run Reports' Window
                <attribute name="ql">0</attribute>
                #Is Browser View enabled for Report? Can only be enabled if report does not have
                parameters. 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0
                <attribute name="dp">0</attribute>
                #Is Direct Print enabled for Report? Can only be enabled if report does not have
                parameters. 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0
                <attribute name=" pad">0</attribute>
                #Is Direct Print with Attachments enabled for Report? Can only be enabled if report does
                not have parameters. O=No/1=Yes. Default is O
                <attribute name="toolbarsequence">1</attribute>
                #Order of the report in relation to other reports enabled for toolbar access within the
                application. Value must be unique within a given application.
                <attribute name="glloc">NONE</attribute>
                #Determines what tabs will display BV icon. Options are:
                #ALL: Displays Report Icon on all toolbars in the app
                #LIST: Only Displays Report Icon on List Tab of app
                #MAIN: Displays Report Icon on all toolbars in app, except List tab
                #NONE: Default Value. Does not display Report Icon in app.
                <attribute name="dploc">NONE</attribute>
                #Determines what tabs will display DP icon. Options are:
                #ALL: Displays Report Icon on all toolbars in the app
                #LIST: Only Displays Report Icon on List Tab of app
                #MAIN: Displays Report Icon on all toolbars in app, except List tab
                #NONE: Default Value. Does not display Report Icon in app.
                <attribute name="padloc">NONE</attribute>
                #Determines what tabs will display DPA icon. Options are #ALL: Displays Report Icon on
                all toolbars in the app
                #LIST: Only Displays Report Icon on List Tab of app
                #MAIN: Displays Report Icon on all toolbars in app, except List tab
                #NONE: Default Value. Does not display Report Icon in app.
                <attribute name="norequestpage">0</attribute>
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```
#Does the report not require a request page? 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0 - Report does
require a request page. Used only for reports which update database or are only available
via hyperlinks.
<attribute name="detail">0</attribute>
#Are limit records enabled for this report? Can only be enabled if report does not have
parameters. 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0.
<attribute name="recordlimit">50</attribute>
#If limit records are enabled (detail = 1), this field must be defined. It is the maximum #
of records the report can execute against. Value must be > 0.
<attribute name="priority">2</attribute>
#Priority value of report used for Report Queuing. Priority is based on ascending order -
the lower the #, the higher the priority.
<attribute name="usewherewithparam">0</attribute>
#Will the report execute against both current/selected records and user inputted
parameters? 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0. Can only be enabled if report has parameters.
<attribute name="reportfolder">JOBPLAN</attribute>
#Location of report source file subfolder in <Version7>\reports\birt\reports
<parameters>
        <parameter name="jpnum">
        #Name of parameter. If the parameter is unbound, this text must exactly match
        the unbound parameter defined in the BIRT Designer (.rptdesign file)
        <attribute name="attributename">JPNUM</attribute>
        # Either the attribute name from the main table of the app, or the attribute from
        one of the app's Maxrelationships. If this field is populated, the parameter is
        bound. If the field is not populated, the parameter is unbound.
        <attribute name="lookupname"></attribute>
        #Name of lookup. Depending on availability, a bound parameter may or may not
        have a lookup. Unbound parameters can only have lookups for date fields.
        <attribute name="sequence">1</attribute>
        #Order the parameter is displayed on the request page.
        <attribute name="labeloverride">Job Plan</attribute>
        #Parameter label text that displays on Request Page.
        <attribute name="defaultvalue"></attribute>
        #Default value displayed in parameter field on request pages. Default values are
        not localized.
        <attribute name="required">0</attribute>
        #Is the parameter required? 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0.
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<attribute name="hidden">0</attribute>

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#Is the parameter not displayed on the request page? 0=No/1=Yes. Default value
                         is 0. This functionality is not used in the 'Out of the box' Reports but made
                         available for clients if they want to extend the functionality.
                         <attribute name="operator"></attribute>
                         #Optional operators that can be applied to bound parameters. Values available are
                         >, >=, <, <=. These can not be applied to unbound parameters.
                         <attribute name="multilookup">0</attribute>
                         #Can multiple values be input for a parameter? 0=No/1=Yes. Default is 0.
                         </parameter>
                 </parameters>
                 <resources>
                         <resource>
                                 <reference>joplan_abc.properties</reference>
                                 # The property file used by this report
        <filename>${libraryfolder}/jobplan-abc.properties</filename>
                                 #The location of the property file. ${libraryfolder} refers to
                                 <Version75>\reports\birt\libraries
                         </resource>
                 </resources>
        </report>
</reports>
```

# Miscellaneous Utilities

## Update Reports Utility

Additional update utilities can be used to automate the process of applying updates to report designs, rather than manually editing each report. These are known as update utilities, and supplement the existing utilities of importing and exporting report designs. The update utilities are available for both Enterprise Reports, and Ad Hoc or QBR Reports.

For enterprise reports, the four update utilities available are:

- updatereports
   Updates all reports.
- 2. updatereports savechanges Updates reports and saves the modified reports to the database.
- updatereports app [appname]Updates all reports for the specified app.
- 4. updatereports app [appname] savechanges
  Updates all reports for the specified app and saves the modified reports to the database

For Ad Hoc reports, the update utility available is: 1. updateqbrs Updates all QBR report designs

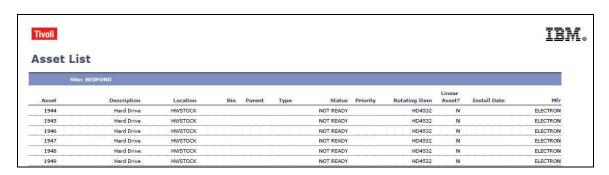
Specific details on how you can use these utilities can be found in the Update Reports Utility document located on IBM's support website. Information on locating this can be found in the Reference Materials section at the end of this document.

# Customizing Reports Reference Materials

A number of different reporting reference materials are available to you. This section will highlight a few of those reference materials which specifically focus on customizing reports, and details how you might best be able to use them.

### Changing Report Logos

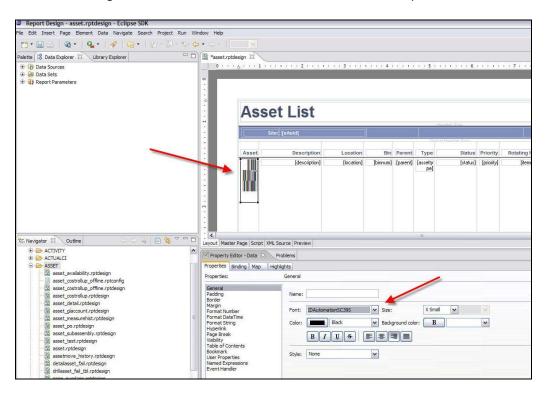
V7.5 reports contain two logos. A Tivoli logo is located on the upper left hand side, and an IBM Logo on the upper right hand side. You may want to update the V7.5 Reports to use their own corporate logos.



## Implementing Bar Code Fonts

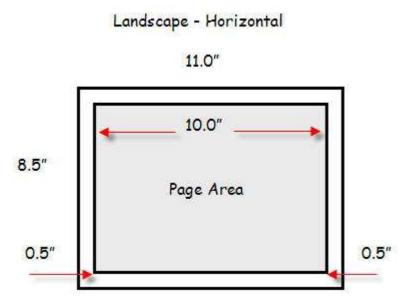
You may need to implement bar code fonts in your V7.5 reports. This document details the steps required to do this, including:

- 1. Enabling Bar Code fonts on the client machine where the report designer is installed
- 2. Enabling Bar Code fonts on the V.5 Server where the report will be executed.



## <u>Understanding Report Paper Sizes</u>

This document reviews the components impacting report page sizes and orientation used in the V7.5 reports. It also details how you can customize them to meet your individual business needs.



## Modifying OOB Reports

The out-of-the box reports that are supplied to you may not meet your individual business needs. You may need to add or remove fields to these reports to reflect your unique environment.

This document details how you can modify the out of the box. It uses the Work Order Details Report as an example. Three examples of modifications are detailed, including

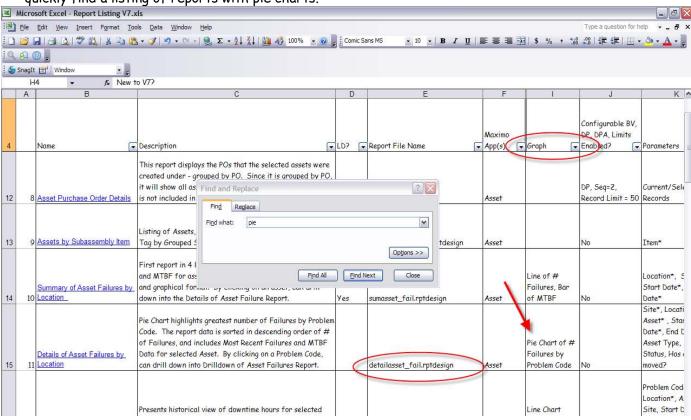
- Deleting Fields from the Planned Labor Section
- B. Deleting Fields from the Actual Labor Section
- C. Adding Fields to the Actual Material Section

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🔡 *woprint.rptdesign 🛭
                                                               Reset Script plannedLaborDataSet
 Script: open
    plannedLaborDataSet = MXReportDataSetProvider.create(this.getDataSource().getName(), this.getName());
    2 plannedLaborDataSet.open();
    4 var sqlText = new String();
   6 // Add query to sqlText variable.
    7 sqlText = "select wplabor.laborcode,wplabor.craft, wplabor.skilllevel, wplabor.vendor, wplabor.contractnum, "
  8 + "wplabor.quantity, wplabor.orgid, wplabor.laborhrs, wplabor.rate, "
9 + "(wplabor.quantity * wplabor.laborhrs * wplabor.rate) as linecost,
10 + "workorder.istask, workorder.taskid, wplabor.ratehaschanged "
  11 + "from wplabor, workorder "
  12 + "where workorder.wonum = wplabor.wonum "
  13 + "and ((workorder.parent = '" + rows[0]["wonum"].replace(/'/g,"''") + "' and workorder.taskid is not null) "
14 + "or (workorder.wonum = '" + rows[0]["wonum"].replace(/'/g,"''") + "' and workorder.taskid is null)) "
  15 + "and wplabor.siteid = workorder.siteid "
16 + "and wplabor.siteid = '" + rows[0]["siteid"] + "'"
  17 + "and wplabor.orgid = '" + rows[0]["orgid"] + "'"
  18 + "order by workorder.taskid "
 19 ;
  21 plannedLaborDataSet.setQuery(sqlText);
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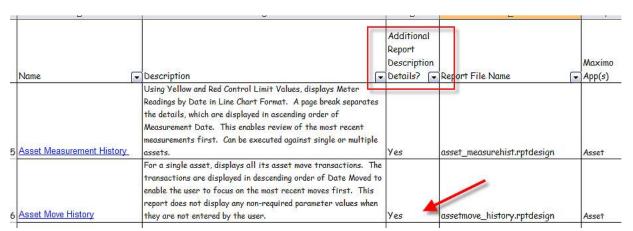
## Utilizing the V7.5 Report Booklet

The V7.5 Report booklet details all the reports delivered in the base Maximo Services release. Within the booklet, is an .xls file which lists each report, and other important information on the application it is registered to, if it has any parameters, along with information on its graphs, sorting, grouping and what templates it is used.

If you are required to create a custom report, you may want to review the V7.5 Report Booklet to quickly find out-of-the-box (OOB) reports which have similar functionality. For example, if you wanted to review the code of a report that contains a pie chart, search within the booklet to quickly find a listing of reports with pie charts.



Additionally, the booklet contains additional information on some of the OOB reports which could include unique code in how it was prepared, or additional details on the data it analyzes. These are identified by having a 'Yes' in the column 'Additional Report Description Details' of the booklet.



You can view this information by accessing the 'Additional V75 Report Desc' worksheet, where the long description details of the report can be viewed.

V75 Reports	Additional V75 Report Desc / Base 75 IS Reports / Report 75 Updates /
Asset Move History Report	
Asset Move History Report	The Asset Move History Report is an example of report that does not display non-required parameter values when users do not enter them

#### Additional References

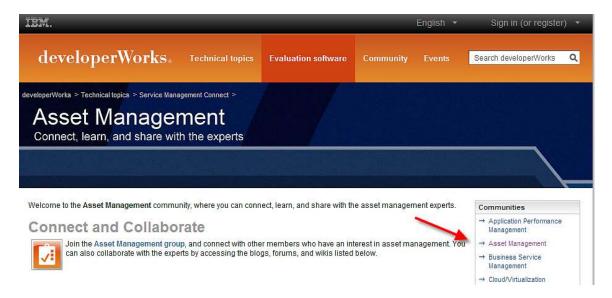
The following lists additional references available at the time this guide was prepared. To locate these documents, perform a search on IBM's Support Site on the report title highlighted below, or on its support reference number directly next to the title.

#### IBM's support site can be found at this url:

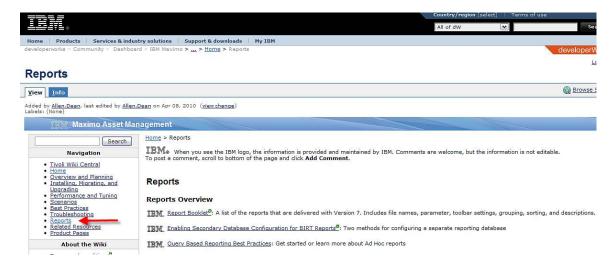
http://www-947.ibm.com/support/entry/portal/Overview/Software/Tivoli/Maximo\_Asset\_Management

Additionally, the url's below are available with the additional information including blogs, forums and a wiki site

https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/servicemanagement/am/index.html



## https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/wikis/display/maximo/Home



Title	Reference Number	Description
V75 Report Feature Guide	1498433	Details how the embedded report engine is utilized, including a review of the file structure, installation and database structure. Includes information on Security, Scheduling, Administration, Queuing, and Property Files.
V75 Report Booklet	1497942	Contains listings, file names, descriptions, details on parameters, formatting (grouping, sorting) and a pdf copy of each of the OOB (Out of the Box) Delivered Reports.
V75 Report Upgrade Guide	1497938	Intended for upgrading clients, reviews each of the data analysis options available in V75, including a detailed review of each report option.
V75 QBR Ad Hoc Reporting	1498285	Details how users can Create and Execute Ad Hoc Reports, and the Administrative setup work involved, including how to create Report Object Structures.
Designing V7 Reports	1305009	Reviews data analysis options available to meet your client requirements, including KPIs, Application List Downloads, QBR and Reports. Details variety of items to consider when designing reports
V75 Report Performance		Details administration and configuration recommendations to optimize report performance. Includes BIRT Report Only Server (BROS) Configurations, along with Clustering.
V7 Localization		Reviews localization setup requirements, along with instructions on how to implement localization for both the report's request page, and reports titles and labels.
Enabling secondary Database Configuration for BIRT reports	1304936	Describes additional ways of configuring your database for reporting, including enabling (1) All reports to execute against a reporting database or (2) A portion of the reports to execute against the reporting database.
V75 Report Toolbar Access Direct Print and Related Information		Describes functionality that can be configured with BIRT Reports to enable their quick display, including Browser View, Direct Print and Direct Print with Attachments. Details requirements, property files and troubleshooting techniques.

Report Developer's Guides		
V75 Report Development Guide		Intended for the Report Developer, contains detailed information and examples on developing reports within Design Tool, database access, parameters, common development techniques like hyperlinks and date formats and various debug features and utilties. Also, contains the designer download link, along with additional details on installing and configuring it.
Customizing out of the box BIRT reports	1438532	Details how to customize out of the box BIRT reports by deleting and adding new fields. The Work Order Details report is used as an example to step you through this process
Report Logging	1423974	Explains the report logging features available to report developers and administrators. Includes features available to report developers within the BIRT report designer, and then reviews the features available to report developers and administrators from within the V7 applications.
V7 Report Update Utility	1433106	Details report update utilities which can be used to automate the process of applying updates to report designs, rather than manually editing each report.
Enabling barcodes in BIRT Reports	1304925	Details how to implement bar code fonts for use within BIRT reports.
Changing logos in BIRT reports	1304923	Discusses how you can change the logos displayed within the V7 reports to your unique company logos.
Adding username to a V7 BIRT report	1403958	Provides instructions on adding the username who executed report to the report's header section
V7 BIRT Page Information	1317577	This document reviews the components impacting report page sizes and orientation used in the V7 BIRT Reports. It also details how you can customize them to meet your individual business needs.
Upgrade Guides		
Upgrading to BIRT 232 in V7	1390274	Discusses the enhancements enabled in BIRT 2.3.2, along with report considerations when upgrading your custom reports from BIRT 2.1.2 to 2.3.2.
System Administration Guide		Reference this guide for additional information on Localization, using the TDT and XLIFF files, along with Advanced Server Configuration details in the System Configuration Chapter.

Report Integration Guides		
Maximo Cognos Integration		Provides steps for enabling the report integration, including
Installation Guide		enabling the creation of the meta data layer.
Maximo Cognos Integration Guide		Details on how the report integration works between the two systems, including publishing report object structures as Cognos packages, security group synchronization and report file creation.
ERI (External Report Integration) Guide	1304916	The ERI enables clients to integrate essentially any reporting tool with V7. The ERI is report system and report version independent. This document includes the ERI (1) Requirements (2) Installation (3) Administration and (4) FAQs.

You can access these guides by following the steps below:

1. Access IBM's support site at the URL below:

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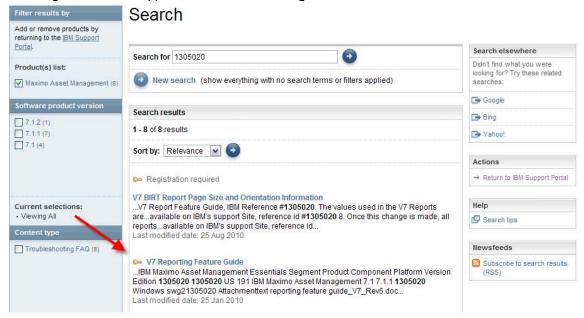
947.ibm.com/support/entry/portal/Overview/Software/Tivoli/Maximo\_Asset\_Management

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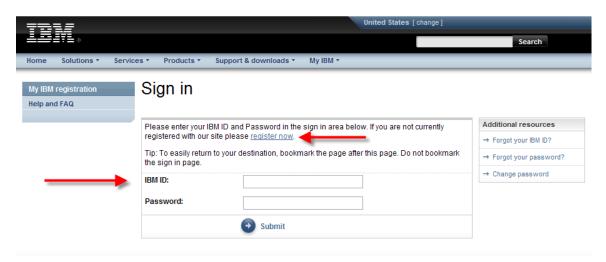


3. This leads to the page below. Find the specific guide from the list and click on it.
\*Note: Many of the report documents have a key in front of them. This indicates that you must

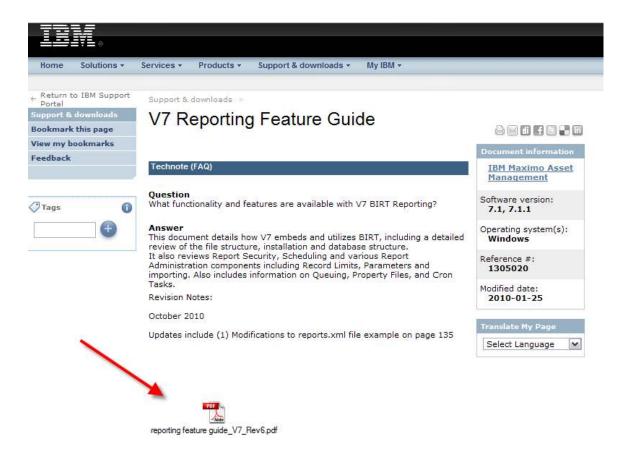
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