

# EPM Asset Management Lab 2013

## Union Query

**Scenario:** Modify Core-CT public EPM query to meet agency reporting requirements.

**Skills:** Delete fields from union query.

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[http://www.core-ct.state.ct.us/epm/docs/fin\\_reporting\\_table\\_summary.doc](http://www.core-ct.state.ct.us/epm/docs/fin_reporting_table_summary.doc)

*EPM Job Aid: Reporting Table Indexes and Join Criteria* <http://www.core-ct.state.ct.us/epm/jobaids/>

## Union Queries

- a. A union query is two select statements brought together in the same query, basically two queries running simultaneously.
- b. Use a union query to combine records that have no fields in common to retrieve similar values.
- c. Unions are especially valuable to avoid situations where a record join will produce inaccurate results. For example, when joining the employee and position tables, only those positions which are filled will be returned.
- d. If one simple rule is followed, union queries will always execute properly. The two portions of the query must have the same number of fields, in the same order like to like (field type and length). The field type must be exact and length similar. To achieve this, use literal expressions as placeholders.
- e. The “balancing” literals can be generic, character is ‘ (two single apostrophe marks), number is 0 (zero); or you can designate a word, between the two apostrophe marks (‘vacant’) or integer (2) to clarify the report content.
- f. The table with the largest field sizes must be chosen as the top level of the query.
- g. Unions retrieve unique rows only. If both select statements retrieve the same row, the row will only appear once in the final output.
- h. You cannot use the long or short translate values in union queries.

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### Query Manager

Enter any information you have and click Search. Leave fields blank for a list of all values.

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Query Name	begins with	<input type="text"/>
Description	begins with	<input type="text"/>
Uses Record Name	begins with	<input type="text"/>
Uses Field Name	begins with	<input type="text"/>
Access Group Name	begins with	<input type="text"/>
Folder Name	begins with	<input type="text" value="CLASS"/>
*Query Type =		<input type="text" value="User"/>
Owner =		<input type="text" value="Public"/>

When using the IN or BETWEEN operators, enter comma separated values without quotes. i.e. JOB,f

[Basic Search](#)

Locate the query: **CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_LIST\_W\_COST**

1. Click the Edit Link for this query.

\*\*\*The exercise is to delete fields from the query display

2. Go to the Fields Tab

Records Query Expressions Prompts **Fields** Criteria Having View SQL Run

Query Name CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_LIST\_W\_COST Description In service assets w/cost Feed

Working on selection Top Level of Query Subquery/Union Navigation

View field properties, or use field as criteria in query statement Reorder / Sort

Col	Record.Fieldname	Format	Ord	XLAT	Agg	Heading Text	Add Criteria	Edit	Delete
1	A.BUSINESS_UNIT - Business Unit	Char5				Unit		Edit	-
2	A.ASSET_ID - Asset Identification	Char12				Asset ID		Edit	-
3	A.TAG_NUMBER - Tag Number	Char12				Tag Number		Edit	-
4	A.CT_ASSET_DESCR - Asset Description	Char30				Asset Descr		Edit	-
5	A.COST - Total Cost	SNm25.3			Sum	Sum TotalCost		Edit	-
6	C.LOCATION - Location Code	Char10				Location		Edit	-
7	D.DESCR - Description	Char30				Location Descr		Edit	-
8	A.PROFILE_ID - Asset Profile ID	Char10				Profile ID		Edit	-
9	A.CATEGORY - Asset Category	Char5				Category		Edit	-

Save Save As New Query Preferences Properties Publish as Feed New Union Return To Search

3. Click the delete button for field #9, CATEGORY
4. Click the Run Tab
5. Enter your Business Unit

Error Message:

Records Query Expressions Prompts Fields Criteria Having View SQL Run

**Business Unit= = OSCM1**

[Rerun Query](#)

A UNION requires the same number of fields for each SELECT. Correct and retry. (30,7)  
 Error in running query because of error in retrieving select header (50,379)

**To correct the query design:**

1. Click the fields tab.

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Records Query Expressions Prompts **Fields** Criteria Having View SQL Run

Query Name CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_LIST\_W\_COST Description In service assets w/cost Feed

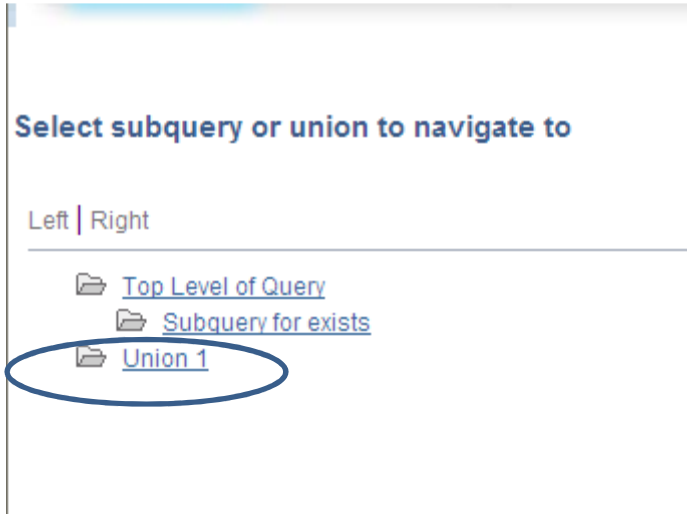
Working on selection Top Level of Query [Subquery/Union Navigation](#)

View field properties, or use field as criteria in query statement. [Reorder/Sort](#)

Col	Record.Fieldname	Format	Ord	XLAT	Agg	Heading Text	Add Criteria	Edit	Delete
1	A.BUSINESS_UNIT - Business Unit	Char5				Unit	+	Edit	-
2	A.ASSET_ID - Asset Identification	Char12				Asset ID	+	Edit	-
3	A.TAG_NUMBER - Tag Number	Char12				Tag Number	+	Edit	-
4	A.CT_ASSET_DESCR - Asset Description	Char30				Asset Descr	+	Edit	-
5	A.COST - Total Cost	SNm25.3			Sum	Sum TotalCost	+	Edit	-
6	C.LOCATION - Location Code	Char10				Location	+	Edit	-
7	D.DESCR - Description	Char30				Location Descr	+	Edit	-
8	A.PROFILE_ID - Asset Profile ID	Char10				Profile ID	+	Edit	-

Save Save As New Query Preferences Properties Publish as Feed New Union Return To Search

2. Click the Subquery/Union Navigation link



3. Click the Union 1 link
4. Go to the Fields Tab
5. Delete field #9, CATEGORY
6. Save the query and successfully execute

### Field layout for each level of the query

#### Top level

#### Union 1

Col	Fieldname	Format		Col	Fieldname	Format
1	A.BUSINESS_UNIT	Char5		1	E.BUSINESS_UNIT	Char5t
2	A.ASSET_ID	Char12		2	E.ASSET_ID	Char12
3	A.TAG_NUMBER	Char12		3	E.TAG_NUMBER	Char12
4	A.CT_ASSET_DESCR	Char30		4	E.CT_ASSET_DESCR	Char30
5	A.COST	SNm25.3		5	E.COST	SNm25.3
6	C.LOCATION	Char10		9	F.LOCATION	Char10
7	D.DESCR	Char30		7	G.DESCR	Char30
8	A.PROFILE_ID	Char10		8	E.PROFILE_ID	Char10

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# EPM Asset Management Lab 2013

## Exercise 2

### Union Query

**Scenario:** Modify Core-CT public EPM query to meet agency reporting requirements.

**Skills:** Add/delete fields from union query. Reorder fields.

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**Navigation:** EPM Reporting Tools > Query > Query Manager>Advanced Search|>Folder begins with: CLASS

Locate the query: **CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_ASSET\_DESCR\_LOC**

1. Click the Edit Link for this query.

\*\*\*The exercise is to add fields to the query display

2. Go to the Query Tab
3. Using the table alias to determine which table the fields are located, add the fields;

C. SERIAL\_ID  
E. BUILDING  
E. FLOOR

4. Click the Run Tab

5. Enter your Business Unit and the wildcard % for Location.

Results:

Error Message:

**Business Unit= = OSCM1,Location like (%)=%**

[Rerun Query](#)

A UNION requires the same number of fields for each SELECT. Correct and retry. (30,7)  
 Error in running query because of error in retrieving select header (50,379)

### To correct the query design:

1. Click on the Query Tab.

Query Name: CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_ASSET\_DESCR\_LOC      Description: Assets w/ descr by location

Working on selection: Top Level of Query

Click folder next to record to show fields. Check fields to add to query. Uncheck fields to remove from query. Add additional records by clicking the records tab. When finished click the fields tab.

**Chosen Records**

Alias	Record	Hierarch Join
A	CTW_ASSET_COST - Asset Cost Rpt	<a href="#">Hierarch Join</a>
C	CTW_ASSET_RPR - Asset Repair Rpt	<a href="#">Hierarch Join</a>
D	CTW_AM_PHYSICAL - Asset Mgmt Physical Rpt	<a href="#">Hierarch Join</a>
E	CTW_LOCATION_FN - Financial Location	<a href="#">Hierarch Join</a>
F	CTW_ASSET_LOCTN - Asset Location	<a href="#">Hierarch Join</a>

Buttons: Expand All Records, Collapse All Records, Save, Save As, New Query, Preferences, Properties, Publish as Feed, New Union, Return To Search



2. Click the Subquery/Union Navigation link



3. Click the Union 1 link
4. Go to the Query Tab
5. Add the fields:
  - J. SERIAL\_ID
  - M. BUILDING
  - M. FLOOR
7. Go to the Fields Tab
8. Click the Reorder/Sort Button

Records Query Expressions Prompts **Fields** Criteria Having View SQL Run

Query Name CLASS\_FIN\_AM\_ASSET\_DESCR\_LOC Description Assets w/ descr by location Feed

Working on selection Union 1 Subquery/Union Navigation

View field properties, or use field as criteria in query statement. **Reorder / Sort**

Col	Record.FieldName	Format	Ord	XLAT	Acq	Heading Text	Add Criteria	Edit	Delete
1	I.ASSET_ID - Asset Identification	Char12				Asset ID		Edit	[-]
2	I.TAG_NUMBER - Tag Number	Char12				Tag Number		Edit	[-]
3	I.CT_ASSET_DESCR - Asset Description	Char30				Asset Descr		Edit	[-]
4	I.DEPTID - Department	Char10				DeptID		Edit	[-]
5	L.LOCATION - Location Code	Char10				Location		Edit	[-]
6	M.DESCR - Description	Char30				Descr		Edit	[-]
7	J.ASSET_CLASS - Asset Class	Char10				Class		Edit	[-]
8	I.IN_SERVICE_DT - In Service Date	Date			Max	Max In Service		Edit	[-]
9	J.CT_MANUFACTURER - Manufacturer Name	Char60				Manufacturer		Edit	[-]
10	J.CT_MANUFCT_YEAR - Year of Manufacture	Char4				Year		Edit	[-]
11	J.MANUFACTUR_CONTACT - Manufacturing Contact	Char30				Contact		Edit	[-]
12	J.MODEL - Model	Char30				Model		Edit	[-]
13	K.REGISTRATION_NO - Registration #	Char25				Reg #		Edit	[-]
14	J.CT_VIN - VIN	Char18				VIN		Edit	[-]
15	J.CT_FED_FUND_SW - Federally Funded Asset?	Char1				Federal Funded?		Edit	[-]
16	M.SECTOR - Sector	Char10				Sector		Edit	[-]

9. Renumber fields to match the fields in the top level of the query. To match the field order in the top level of the query. Use the handout as a guide.

**Edit Field Ordering**

Reorder columns by entering column numbers on the left. Columns left blank or assigned a 0 will be automatically assigned a number. Change the order by number by entering numbers on the right. To remove an order by number, leave the field blank or enter a 0.

Edit Field Ordering					
Personalize   Find   View All   <span>12</span>   First   1-20 of 20   Last					
New Column	Column	Record.FieldName	Order By	Descending	New Order By
<input type="text"/>	1	I.ASSET_ID - Asset Identification		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	2	I.TAG_NUMBER - Tag Number		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	3	I.CT_ASSET_DESCR - Asset Description		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	4	I.DEPTID - Department		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	5	L.LOCATION - Location Code		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	6	M.DESCR - Description		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	7	J.ASSET_CLASS - Asset Class		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	8	I.IN_SERVICE_DT - In Service Date		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	9	J.CT_MANUFACTURER - Manufacturer Name		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	10	J.CT_MANUFCT_YEAR - Year of Manufacture		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	11	J.MANUFACTUR_CONTACT - Manufacturing Contact		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	12	J.MODEL - Model		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	13	K.REGISTRATION_NO - Registration #		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	14	J.CT_VIN - VIN		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	15	J.CT_FED_FUND_SW - Federally Funded Asset?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	16	M.SECTOR - Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	17	M.JURISDICTION - Jurisdiction		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	18	M.BUILDING - Building #		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	19	M.FLOOR - Floor #		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	20	J.SERIAL_ID - Serial ID		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

OK Cancel

10. Save and execute the query.