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About this Guide

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This training and setup guide is for experienced SedonaOffice users who have knowledge of the database setup. While this guide will review some of the basic setup necessary, this guide is not intended to teach Database Structure basics and assumes the user has knowledge of SQL and of the SedonaOffice application.

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Overview

This guide is intended to teach you how to access data from a SedonaOffice database. Data extracted from a database can be used for many different purposes both internally and externally for an organization. While this guide will review a variety of different techniques, it is impractical to detail each and every type method that can be used to extract data.

Each Company is a Database

Each SedonaOffice company is its own unique database within the SQL server. In addition to the various company databases, there is an additional database that helps to controls access to the company databases. This access control database is named SedonaMaster.

SedonaMaster contains list of company names and the database associated with each name. All other data about a company is contained within the company database. All of the setup information, names, addresses, part numbers, service tickets, etc., for a company, are stored within the same database. The structure of the database will remain the same for all companies. The differences in how companies operate are contained in the setup tables. If a feature of SedonaOffice is not used, the data structure will still exist but may be empty of data.

Databases Contain Tables, Views, and Stored Procedures

The main structures in a database are tables, views and stored procedures. Tables contain the raw data, the actual names, addresses, etc.

Views are premade queries that will return sets of data automatically. If there is a set of data you are going to regularly extract, you may want to think about making a view. SedonaOffice uses several views in supplying data to the client. Do NOT alter these or your system may cease to operate correctly¹.

Stored procedures are routines containing SQL code. They can be created to act as a view but are usually used to manipulate the data. Stored procedures also can take parameters, values that modify how the stored procedure will operate. Most of the business logic in SedonaOffice is handled by stored procedures. They are encrypted and locked for safety and security. Do NOT delete or replace a stored procedure or your system will cease to operate correctly².

Tables Contain Fields

Fields contain your actual data. They are different types:

- Text including varchar, nvarchar and char. The length of the field in characters (including spaces and punctuation) is defined when the field is created.
- Numeric including integer, double and money. What range and if a fractional decimal amount is supported is defined when the field is created.

¹ Unless directed to by a SedonaOffice support person.

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• Datetime. Microsoft SQL server does not contain a field type for date or one for time, all date and time related fields are Datetime fields.

Linking Tables

Tables are linked via fields that end in Id. In each table, the first field is the Identity field for that table. Identity fields are not editable nor should you try. Identity fields are unique. This number is automatically assigned by the SQL server. Once assigned, a number is never reused, not even if it was previously deleted. This Identity field is the "Address" of the record. Other tables that point to this table will have an Id that matches the "Address" of the record. IE Customer_Id in the AR_Customer_Bill record will point to the Customer_Id field in the AR_Customer table. The Customer_Id in the AR_Customer table is the Identity or "Address" of that record. Notice that the name of an Id is the same as the table name in our example. This is true of all ID's with very few exceptions.

Link Types

Table links are defined by the relationship of records in one table to the records in another table. There are three basic link models.

One to one: Each record in one table matches to exactly one record in the other table. IE AR_Customer and AR_Customer_Userdef

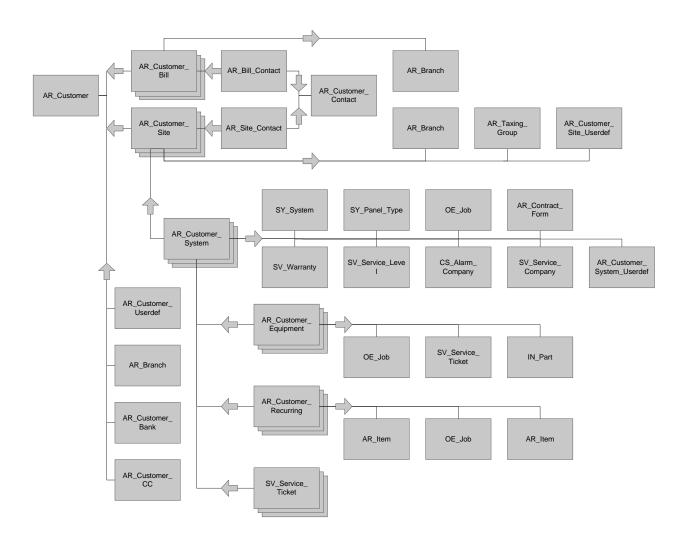
One to many: Each record in one table matches to many records in the other table. IE AR_Invoice and AR_Invoice_Item

Many to one: Many records in one table match to one record in the other table. IE AR_Customer and AR_Branch

The following diagrams are not meant to be completely accurate or to be used as a definition of the database structure. They are a simplified diagram to give an outline of the relationship of the various tables that combine to make up a data structure.

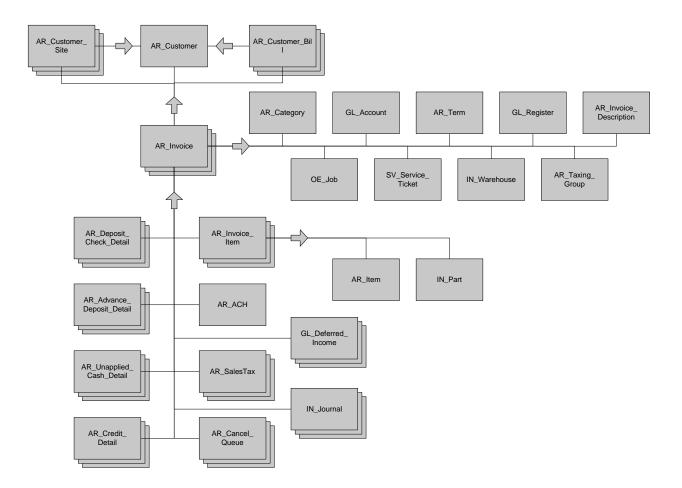


Customer Structure



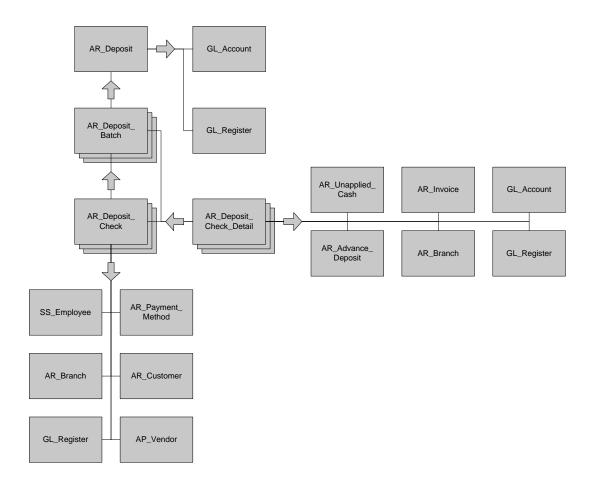


Invoice Structure



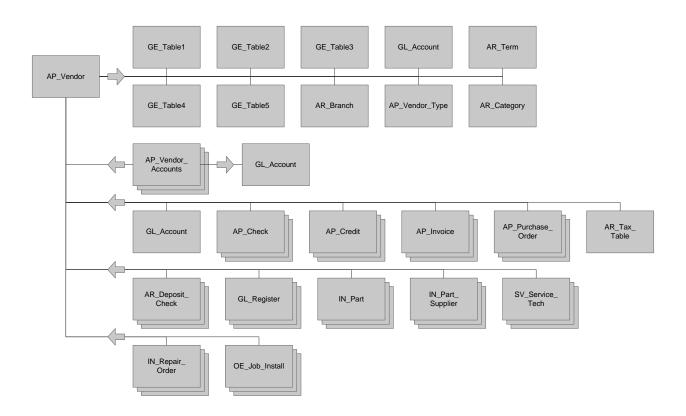


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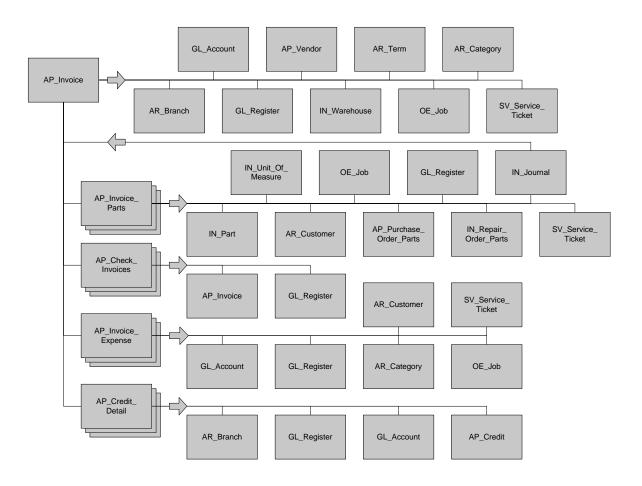


Vendor Structure



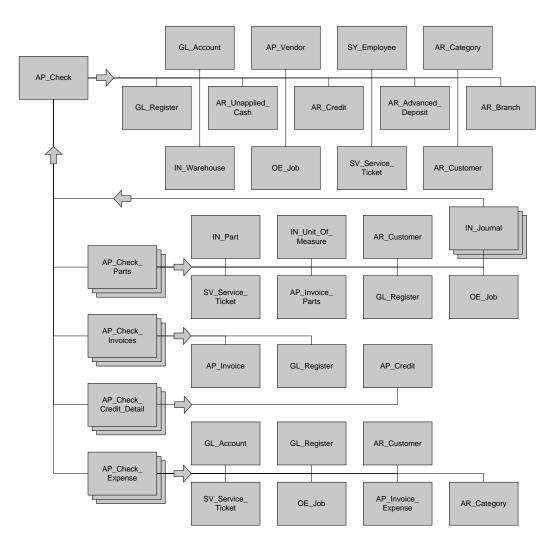


Vendor Bills Structure

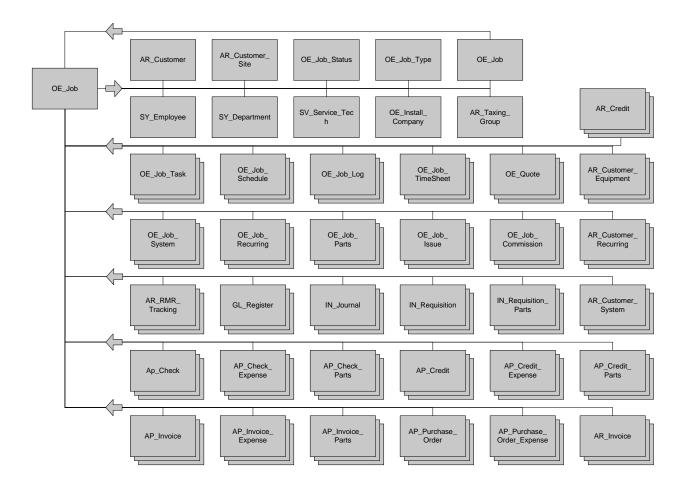




Check Structure

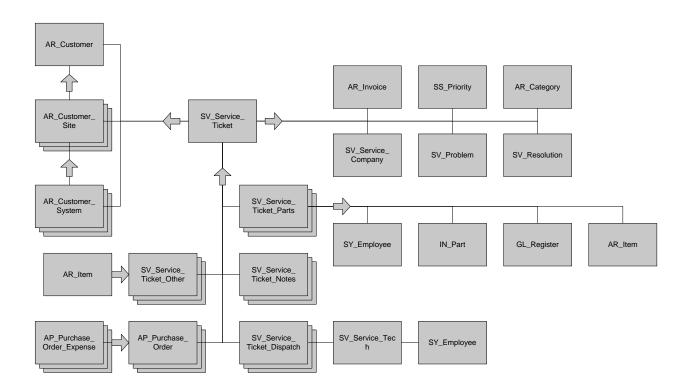


Job Structure



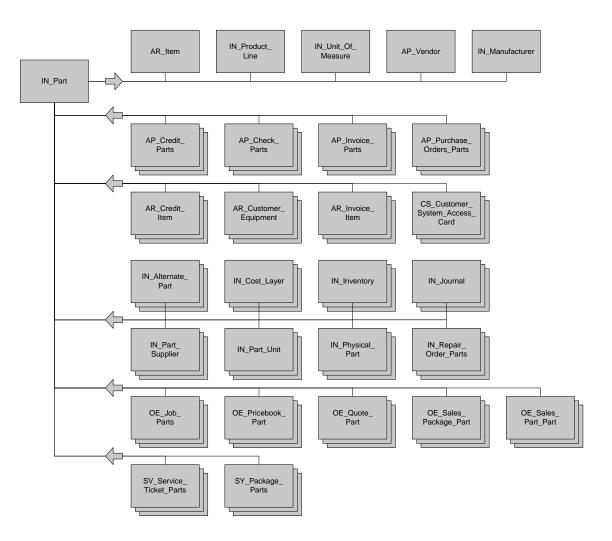


Service Ticket Structure

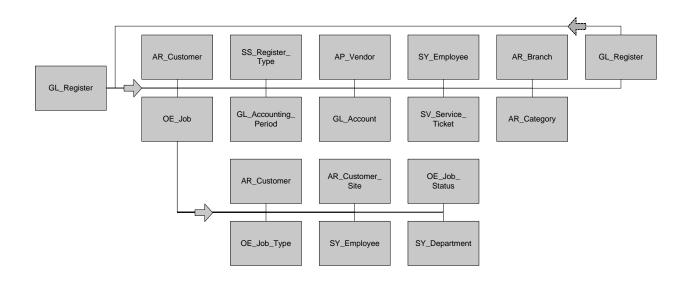




Inventory structure



General Ledger Structure



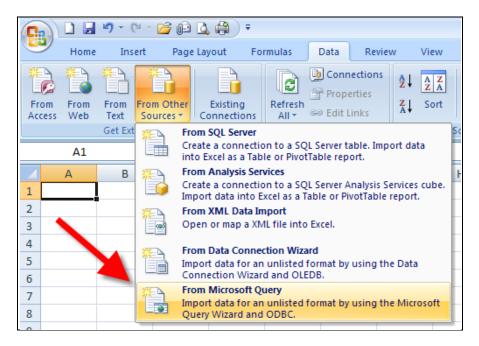
Open Database Connectivity (ODBC)

Open Database Connectivity is the methodology created by Microsoft for different applications to talk to different kinds of databases. With ODBC you can connect Excel to Microsoft SQL server or MS Word to Excel for example. The first step in connecting any application to your Microsoft SQL database is to create an ODBC connection. There is a utility for setting up ODBC connections. It is located in the Control Panel under ODBC. Many applications though contain an implementation of the ODBC Data Source Administrator. In our example we are going to use Excel to create an ODBC connection.

Creating an ODBC Connection with Excel

Let's now review how to import Data into Microsoft Excel. In this example we are going to use the feature in Excel to Query an External Data Source using Microsoft Query. This feature is available in most recent versions of Excel but may needed to be installed as Excel does not install it by default in the standard install.

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If you have not already done so, you will need to create a Data Source connection to your SedonaOffice database.

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Use the Query Wizard to create/edit queries	

To create the new Data Source:

- 1) Name the data source appropriately (Here we are using "SedonaOffice GL Data" but the same connection can be used for all of your queries so you might want a more general name.)
- 2) Select 'SQL Server' as the driver to connect to the database
- 3) Press the Connect button
 - a. On the SQL Server Login Screen select the name of the SQL Server for SedonaOffice
 - b. Use "SedonaReports" as the Login ID, no password is needed
 - c. Select the Options tab and select the name of your production SedonaOffice database
- 4) Press OK

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2. SQL Server	Password: Options >>
Click Connect and enter any information requested by the driver: 3. Connect PlymouthAlarm	Options Database:
Select a default table for your data source (optional): 4.	Language: (Default)
Save my user ID and password in the data source definition	Application Name: 2007 Microsoft Office system
OK Cancel	WorkStation ID: MKMLAPTOP

You now have an ODBC connection to your database.



Building a Query Using Excel and MS Query

Select the data source you have previously created to create the Query. Uncheck the 'Use the Query Wizard..." this will take you directly to Microsoft Query to create the Query.

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Use the Query Wizard to create/edit queries	

To begin with you need to select the Table file to use in the Query. Select the "SO_Complete_GL_Total_YTD" table. Then click Close.

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The next step is to select the data fields and criteria for the data to be returned. Select all the data elements in the Table. While it doesn't really matter what order to display the data fields, using the order as shown below will be more logical when viewed with Excel.

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Since this table can contain thousands (hundreds of thousands of records) it is best to use some criteria to limit the data that returns.

Criteria Selections:

- 1) YTD_Net <> \$0 By selecting this option only data with values will be returned.
- Fiscal Year >= 2006 In this case only years 2006 and 2007 are needed so limit the data to only these fiscal years.
- 3) Fiscal Year < 2008 In this case since 2008 has been created we can remove these entries since were still reporting on 2007.
- 4) Net_Amount <>\$0 This is included as an 'OR' selection. This is necessary to return the Retained Earnings account (more on this later).

Criteria Field:	YTD_Net	Fiscal_Year	Net_Amount	
Value:	<>\$0	>=2006		
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Now that we have completed the Query, click the Return Data icon, and the GL Data will be returned to Excel.

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Using Microsoft Access to Review Your Data

Why use Access instead of Excel? Excel has a row limit. The maximum number of rows you can have in a spreadsheet varies with what version you use from as little as 32,767 rows for older versions to 1,048,576 rows in Excel 2007. This may seem like a lot of rows and for most queries it will be sufficient. But, queries involving the GL_Register for a company that has several years of history can easily exceed these limitations.

Excel treats all fields containing only numeric characters (0-9) as numbers unless prefaced with a 'character. By treating things like postal codes as numbers postal codes starting with a 0 are truncated. Thus a postal code of 01234 becomes 1234.

Finally, Access has a built in report generator. With Access you can make complex reports with groups, subtotals, totals, etc.

*** Caution *** ONLY use SedonaReports for an ODBC connection to Access. Otherwise changes you make in Access can change your SQL Server data and corrupt your database.

Connecting Access via ODBC

When using an ODBC connection with Access you have two options on how to connect the data, Import or Link.

When you Import data into Access, you create a copy of the data stored within the Access database. This allows you to review the data when not connected to the database. Like Excel, you have to periodically refresh the data to keep it up to date.

When you Link data to Access, the data remains in the SQL Server but Access can use it in queries and reports. This method is constantly refreshes as the data in the SQL server changes but it will not function if it is disconnected from the SQL Server.

Choose the External Data tab. Then choose More. Finally choose ODBC Database.

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Choose Import or Link and then click OK.

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Select the source and destination of the data	
 Specify how and where you want to store the data in the current database. Import the source data into a new table in the current database. If the specified object does not exist, Access will create it. If the specified object already exists, Acces name of the imported object. Changes made to source objects (including data in tables) will not be referred to the data source by creating a linked table. Access will create a table that will maintain a link to the source data. Changes made to the data in Access ource and vice versa. 	flected in the current database.
	OK Cancel

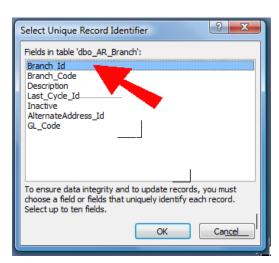
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SandBox.dsn
Sedona Development.dsn
DSN Name: New
Select the file data source that describes the driver that you wish to connect to. You can use any file data source that refers to an ODBC driver which is installed on your machine.
OK Cancel Help

Then choose the tables you wish to Import or Link and click OK. You can choose multiple tables but do not select all. Access is not as large or as powerful as SQL Server. Choosing all will probably crash Access.

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dbo.AR_Credit_Auto dbo.AR_Credit_Detail	•	ОК
dbo.AR_Credit_Item dbo.AR_Credit_Item_Tax		Cancel
dbo.AR_Customer dbo.AR_Customer_Aging dbo.AR_Customer_Aging_Invoice		Select All
dbo.AR_Customer_Aging_RetroActive dbo.AR_Customer_Bank		Deselect All
dbo.AR_Customer_Bill dbo.AR_Customer_Bill_Aging dbo.AR_Customer_CC		
dbo.AR_Customer_Contact dbo.AR_Customer_EFT		
dbo.AR_Customer_Equipment dbo.AR_Customer_Group dbo.AR_Customer_Item		
dbo.AR_Customer_Notes dbo.AR_Customer_Recurring dbo.AR_Customer_Relation	_	
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dbo.AR_Customer_Site_Userdef dbo.AR_Customer_System		
dbo.AR_Customer_System_Userdef dbo.AR_Customer_Userdef dbo.AR_Cycle		
dbo.AR_Cycle_Branches	-	

If you chose to Link you will be asked to Select Unique Record Indicator. This is always the top item in SedonaOffice.



If you chose Import, when the operation is complete a window will be displayed showing the success of the operation. Here you can also Save the steps you just did so refreshing the data will be easier.

Get External Data - ODBC Database	V V
Save Import Steps	
All objects were imported successfully.	
Do you want to save these import steps? This will allow you to quickly repeat the operation without using	g the wizard.
Save import steps	
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Your tables will then be accessible in Access. You may mix Import and Link in the same Access database. In the example I have Imported several customer tables and linked the branch table. Notice the different icons for imported versus linked tables. The highlighted table is the linked branch table.

Import All Tables € « dbo_AR_Customer \$ dbo_AR_Customer : Table dbo_AR_Customer_Bill \$ dbo_AR_Customer_Bill : Table dbo_AR_Customer_Recurring * dbo_AR_Customer_Recurring ... dbo_AR_Customer_Site \$ dbo_AR_Customer_Site : Table dbo_AR_Customer_System \$ dbo_AR_Customer_System : T... dbo_AR_Branch \$ bo_AR_Branch

Writing a query with Access

Click on the Create tab and then on Query design.



Choose the tables you wish to include in your query. A table can be selected more than once if you need to join it to more than one Id. For our example we are going to choose all of the tables.

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dbo_A	R_Custom R_Custom R_Custom	er_Site			
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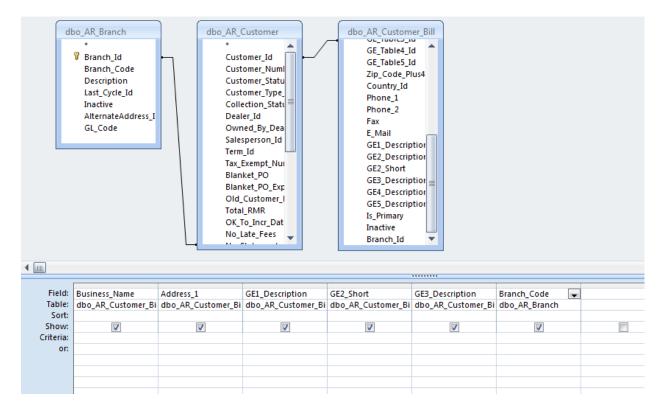


Delete all of the joins that access automatically creates.

dbo_AR_Branch	dbo_AR_Customer	dbo_AR_Customer_Bill
*	*	*
Branch_Id	Customer_Id	Customer_Bill_I
Branch_Code	Customer_Numl	Customer_Id
Description	Customer_Statu	Commercial
Last_Cycle_Id	Customer_Type_	Honorific
Inactive	Collection_Stati	First_Name
AlternateAddress_I	Dealer_Id	Last_Name
GL_Code	Owned_By_Dea	Middle_Initial
	Salesperson_Id	Business_Name
	Term_Id	Address_1
	Tax_Exempt_Nui	Address_2
	Blanket_PO	Address_3
	Blanket_PO_Exp	GE_Table1_Id
	Old_Customer_I	GE_Table2_Id
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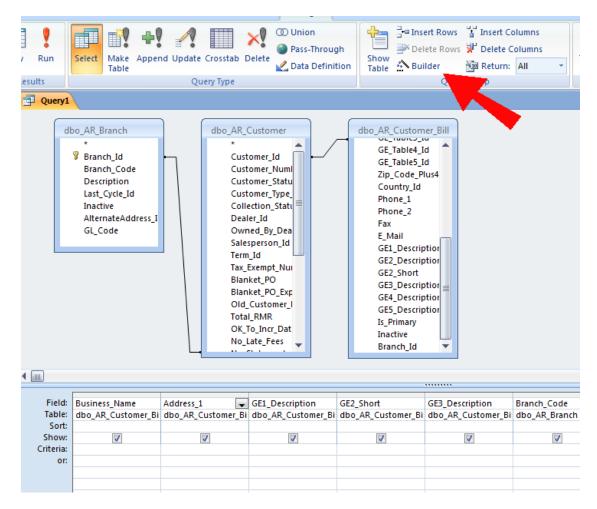
Create the joins according to the structure of SedonaOffice. In this case AR_Branch.Branch_Id to AR_Customer.Branch_Id and AR_Customer.Customer_Id to AR_Customer_Bill.Customer_id.

We are going to create a mailing list so we need to drag the name and address information to the lower pane. We are also going to drag down the branch code so we can sort on branch.





Address_1 may not be all of the address information needed but if there is no address_2 we don't want to add a blank line. So we create a formula. Click in the Address_1 cell and then click 0n the formula button.



Enter the following into the builder window.

Address: [dbo_AR_Customer_Bill]![Address_1] & IIf([dbo_AR_Customer_Bill]![Address_2]= "","",Chr\$(13) & Chr\$(10) & [dbo_AR_Customer_Bill]![Address_2]) & IIf([dbo_AR_Customer_Bill]![Address_3]= "","",Chr\$(13) & Chr\$(10) & [dbo_AR_Customer_Bill]![Address_3])

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Click view to test our results.



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Business_Name 🔹	Address 👻	GE1_Description -	GE2_Short 🔹	GE3_Descrip •	Branch_Codi -
N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	Main Division
George Washington	1234 Mount Vernon Lane	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
John Adams	5411 2nd Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Mega Mart	2154 Mountain Springs Road	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Mega Mart #200	7415 Union Blvd	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
John Wayne	4521 Mountain View Terrace Apartment # 315	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Roy Rogers	7411 Bullet Lane	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Gene Autry	7466 Carter Vall	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Clint Eastwood	12445 Happy Acres Drive	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Andrew Marriott	123 Main Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Rocky Mountain High School	421 Falcon Way	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
TELUS	1234 Main Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Win-Pak	421 Windchime Pl	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
DealerX	1224 Main Street	Colorado Enringe	<u> </u>	20010	Major

Now, let's remove the N/A row and add a method to select which branch we want.

Under business_Name add <>"N/A". Then under Branch_Code add =[Select Branch].

Business_Name	Address: [dbo_AR_Cu	GE1_Description	GE2_Short	GE3_Description	Branch_Code
dbo_AR_Customer_Bi		dbo_AR_Customer_Bi	dbo_AR_Customer_Bi	dbo_AR_Customer_Bi	dbo_AR_Branch
V	V	VS V	V	V	V
<>"N/A"					=[Select Branch]

Now when we return the results we are asked to select a Branch.

Enter Parameter Value	
Select Branch	
OK Cancel	

Entering a branch we get results with no N/A.

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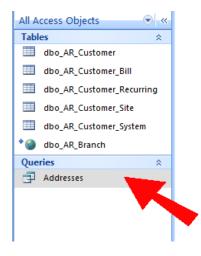
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TELU	US	1234 Main Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Dea	ller X	1234 Main Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Geo	orge Washington	1234 Mount Vernon Lane	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Johi	n Adams	5411 2nd Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Meg	ga Mart 🕁	2154 Mountain Springs Road	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Meg	ga Mart #200	7415 Union Blvd	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Johi	n Wayne	4521 Mountain View Terrace Apartment # 315	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Roy	Rogers	7411 Bullet Lane	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Gen	ne Autry	7466 Carter Valley Road	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Clin	t Eastwood	12445 Happy Acres Drive	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
And	rew Marriott	123 Main Street	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Roc	ky Mountain High School	421 Falcon Way	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major
Win	n-Pak	421 Windchime Pl	Colorado Springs	со	80919	Major

Creating a Report with Access

Displaying the results on the screen is useful but Access allows us to create reports. The report we are going to create will be to create mailing labels.

First make sure the new query you created is selected and then launch the label wizard.



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Choose your label. You can choose by the form number if you bought labels from a major manufacturer or just choose a label of the same size as the ones you are using.

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Setup the fields how you want them to appear on the label.

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Give your report a name and save it.

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Click Finish and see a preview.

Database Structure

Win-Pak 421 Windchime Pl Colorado Springs CO 80919

Clint Eastwood 12445 Happy Acres Drive Colorado Springs CO 80919

John Wayne 4521 Mountain View Terrace Apartment # 315 Colorado Springs CO 80919

John Adams 5411 2nd Street Colorado Springs CO 80919

TELUS 1234 Main Street Colorado Springs CO 80919 Rocky Mountain High School 421 Falcon Way Colorado Springs CO 80919

Gene Autry 7466 Carter Valley Road Colorado Springs CO 80919

Mega Mart #200 7415 Union Blvd Colorado Springs CO 80919

George Washington 1234 Mount Vernon Lane Colorado Springs CO 80919 Andrew Marriott 123 Main Street Colorado Springs CO 80919

Roy Rogers 7411 Bullet Lane Colorado Springs CO 80919

Mega Mart 2154 Mountain Springs Road Colorado Springs CO 80919

Dealer X 1234 Main Street Colorado Springs CO 80919

Creating a Grouped and Sub Totaled Report

First we will need some additional data. Again select the ODBC database import item. Add these additional tables:

- SV_Service_Ticket
- SV_Problem
- SV_Resolution
- AR_Invoice
- SV_Service_Tech
- SY_Employee

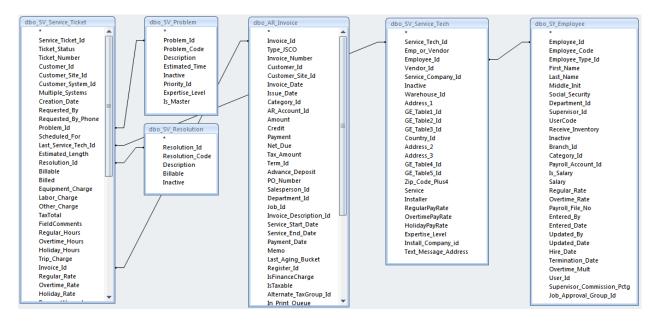
Create a new Query and add these tables.

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Link the tables as shown.



Add these fields.

- dbo_SY_Employee.Employee_Code •
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Ticket_Number •
- dbo_SV_Problem.Problem_Code •
- dbo SV Resolution.Resolution Code •
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Equipment_Charge •

- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Labor_Charge
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Other_Charge
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Trip_Charge
- dbo_AR_Invoice.Invoice_Number
- dbo_AR_Invoice.Amount
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Ticket_Status
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Service_Ticket_Id

Now we need to create a calculated field. We want a field that will be the sum of all of the charges on the ticket. So open the Build dialog and enter these fields.

- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Equipment_Charge
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Labor_Charge
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Other_Charge
- dbo_SV_Service_Ticket.Trip_Charge

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ServiceBilledQ Tables Queries Forms	Employee_Code Ticket_Number Problem_Code Resolution_Code Equipment_Charge	<value></value>	

And select OK.

Also add criteria for Ticket_Status and Service_Ticket_Id.

Service Ticket Id
dbo_SV_Service_Ticke
<>1

Save the query as ServiceBilledQ. Create a new report and select ServiceBilledQ as the data source, select all of the fields and press next.

Report Wizard	
	Which fields do you want on your report? You can choose from more than one table or query.
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Query: ServiceBilledQ	<u> </u>
<u>A</u> vailable Fields:	Selected Fields:
	Resolution_Code Equipment_Charge Labor_Charge Other_Charge Other_Charge Trip_Charge TicketTotal Invoice_Number Amount
Car	ncel < Back Next > Finish

We are going to group by Employee_Code. Select the right pointing arrow while Employee_Code is highlighted. The result should look like the image below.

Report Wizard	
Do you want to add any grouping levels?	Employee_Code Ticket_Number, Problem_Code, Resolution_Code, Equipment_Charge, Labor_Charge, Other_Charge, Trip_Charge, TicketTotal, Invoice_Number, Amount
Grouping Options Cancel	< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext > <u>F</u> inish

Database Structure

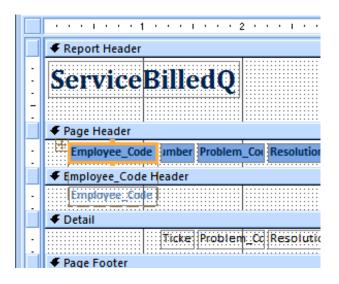
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Press Next. We want to sort the tickets by Ticket_Number for each Service_Tech which we can do on the next page of the wizard.

Report Wizard	
What sort order and summary inform	ation do you want for detail records?
_	You can sort records by up to four fields, in either ascending or descending order.
	1 Ticket_Number Ascending
	2 Ascending
	3 - Ascending
	4 - Ascending
	Summary Options
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Select Finish. A preview of the report will display. Close the preview for now and you will get the report designer. We can now make changes to the basic report to suit our needs.

Click on any blank spot on the report to deselect everything. Now select the Employee_Code label.





Delete the label. If you delete the Field just drag it back from the fields list. Continue moving fields till your layout looks like the image below.

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Now we are going to add subtotals. Select the TicketTotal field in the report detail section then choose the Totals menu and Sum in the Design bar.

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And then in the Properties dialog, choose "Currency" for the format.

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Add a line above the subtotals and set it to black. Add one line above and two lines below the grand total and set their color to black. Save the report and preview it.

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Ticket # Problem	Equipment	Labor	Other	Trip
Resolution				Ticket Total
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7007 Keypad Trouble	\$542.10	\$770.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Add Equipment				\$1,312.10
				\$1,312.10
Ben Bainbridge				\$1,512.10
7000 Keypad Trouble	\$275.85	\$30.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Replace Equipment		•	•	\$435.85
7001 Inspection	\$22.02	\$90.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Insp Comp.	\$22.02	\$50.00	\$55.00	\$242.02
7016 Keypad Trouble	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Replace Equipment	\$0.00	50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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7013 Keypad Trouble	\$125.00	\$30.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Replace Equipment				\$285.00
7014 Keypad Trouble	\$202.20	\$90.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Replace Equipment				\$422.20
				\$707.20
				\$2,697.17

There are a number of improvements that could be added to the report. The title should be changed. Dates could be added. Perhaps some Customer information.

In this report we have learned how to group and total. We have learned how to expand the detail section to show more data than will fit on one line.

Basic SQL Language

The majority of SQL queries can be created with just four commands; Select, From, Where and Order By.

Select Keyword

The "Select" keyword prefaces the list of data to return. This data can be; fields, calculated fields, constants or sub queries. Each of these data items must be separated by a comma.

Fields are the individual fields from the records in the tables. They are collected and displayed how they are in the database. This is the most common use for the select keyword; examples might be Quantity, Rate, Part_Code, Business_Name, etc.

Calculated fields are fields that have had a process applied to them. For instance a calculated field might be Quantity * Rate to get the extended price. Another example would be GE3_Description + '-' + ZipPlus4 to get a complete U.S. zipcode.

Constants are numbers or characters that you want to show in your query and will be the same for the entire column. The '-' above is a constant. So that GE3_Description, '-' and ZipPlus4 could be in separate columns if separated by commas instead of being joined together with plus signs.

Sub queries are queries within parenthesis that return a value that is not directly related to the main query. A common use for sub queries is to return totals IE (Select Sum(Amount) From AR_Invoice).

An example of a Select clause would be:

Select cu.Customer_Number, cb.Business_Name, cb.Address_1, cb.GE1_Description, cb.GE2_Short, cb.GE3_Description

From Keyword

The "From" keyword prefaces the list of tables and how they are joined. IE

From AR_Customer cu Inner Join AR_Customer_Bill cb On cu.Customer_Id = cb.Customer_Id

From is the keyword, followed by the first table name and an optional short nickname or alias. Next comes the type of Join, which will be discussed below. Then the second table is added, also followed by an optional alias. After the two tables are named comes the "On" keyword. After the "On" keyword are the conditions of how the tables relate to one and another, in this case only return rows where for each Customer_Id in AR_Customer there is a matching Customer_Id in AR_Customer_Bill.

Join Keyword

Joins come in different types. The most common type and the type that is used by default if no other type is specified is the Inner Join.

Inner Join

Inner joins only return rows where both tables are equal. Using the example below, records 2, 4 and 6 are returned because those are the only records present in both tables.

Table 1	Table 2	Join	
1	2	2,2	
2	4	4,4 6,6	
2 3	6	6,6	
	7		
4 5	8		
6	9		

Left Outer Join

Leeft and Right Outer joins return rows containing all of the records from one table and only the matching records from the other table. So in our example below, all of the records from Table 1 are returned but only 2, 4, and 6 are returned from Table 2 as they are the only records that match. The Left Outer Join and Right Outer Join differ only in which table is on the left side of the Join keyword and which is on the right side of the Join keyword. Our Left Outer Join example would look like this:

Table 1 Left Outer Join Table 2

Table 1	Table 2	Join
1	2	1
2	4	2,2
3	6	3
4	7	4,4
4 5	8	5
6	9	6,6

Right Outer Join

Using the same example data, a Right Outer Join would return rows containing all of the records from Table 2 and only 2, 4 and 6 from Table 1. Again which side of the Join Keyword a table is on is the determining factor. Our Right Outer Join example would look like this:

Table 1 Right Outer Join Table 2

Table 1	Table 2	Join
1	2	2,2
2	4	4,4
2 3	6	6,6
4	7	,7
4 5	8	,8
6	9	,9

Full Outer Join

Full Outer Joins result in all of the records from both tables. It would be as if you added a Left Outer Join and a Right Outer Join together. A Full outer Join would look like this:

Table 1	Table 2	Join
1	2	1,
2	4	2,2
3	6	3,
4	8	4,4
5	10	5,
6	12	6,6

	,8
	,10
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Where Keyword

3 + 4 = 7

4 <> 9

Where clauses control what rows are returned by matching the records against a set of conditions or filters connected by logical operators. Each condition or filter results in a "True" or "False" condition.

Examples of "True" conditions are:Examples of "False" conditions are:5 = 55 <> 5'A' < 'B'</td>'A' > 'B'

Of course these examples would not do us much good, but we can substitute Fields for the numbers and characters in the conditions, for example:

4 + 4 = 7

4 = 9

Amount = 5 BusinessName < 'B' InvoiceTot - CreditTot = 7 The query will return every row in which the conditions of the Where clause are true. For example, the following query will return only invoices for \$5.00. No other value invoice would be included in the returned rows.

Select Invoice_Number, Amount, Net_Due From AR_Invoice Where Amount = 5

Notice we have included the Net_Due. The value of Net_Due will not affect what rows are returned. It will only be displayed. If we wanted to include only invoices with an outstanding balance we would change query to look like this:

Select Invoice_Number, Amount, Net_Due From



This brings up the next concept, logical operators.

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Logical Operators

The most common logical operators are And, Or, Not, Xor, Nand and Nor.

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And

Or

Value 1

False

False

True

True

Value 1	Value 2	Result
False	False	False
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	True

Value 2

False

True

False True Result

False

True True

True

Xor (Exclusive or)

Value 1	Value 2	Result
False	False	False
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	False

Nand (the same as Not(Value 1 And Value 2))

Value 1	Value 2	Result
False	False	True
False	True	True
True	False	True
True	True	False

Not (Reverses any result)

Value 1	Result
False	True
True	False

Nor (the same as Not(Value 1 Or Value 2))

Value 1	Value 2	Result
False	False	True
False	True	False
True	False	False
True	True	False

Another thing to know is the precedence of logical operators. Everyone knows that 2 + 5 * 3 is 17 and not 21 because we know that you multiply before you add, this is the precedence of arithmetic operators. Take for example the following data:

ID	Amount	City
1	5.00	Flint

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2	5.00	Detroit
3	0.00	Flint
4	0.00	Detroit

If our Where clause is Amount = 5 And City = 'Flint' Or City = 'Detroit' we might expect to get rows 1 and 2. In reality we would get rows 1, 2, and 4. Just as 2 + 5 * 3 should be thought of being written as 2 + (5 * 3) so the 5 * 3 is done first, Our Where clause should be thought of as being written as (Amount = 5 And City = 'Flint') Or City = 'Detroit'. The And operator is processed first just like the multiplication operator in arithmetic. If our where clause were written as Amount = 5 And (City = 'Flint' Or City = 'Detroit') we would get rows 1 and 2. So the order of precedence is Not, And then Or but the order of precedence should not be relied on. Like the example, to be sure, use parentheses.

Other Where Clause Filters

So far we have looked at filters, the true false statements that use the simple comparators listed below:

Comparator	True Examples	False Examples
=	5 = 5, 'A' = 'A'	5 = 7, 'X' = 'R'
<>	5 <> 6, 'AB' <> 'CD'	5 <> 5, 'A' <> 'A'
<	5 < 6, 'A' < 'G'	5 < 5, 6 < 5, 'A' < 'A', 'G' < 'A'
>	6 > 5, 'G' > 'A'	5 > 5, 5 > 6, 'A' > 'G', 'A' > 'A'
<=	5 <= 6, 'A' <= 'G', 5 <= 5, 'A' <= 'A'	6 <= 5, 'G' <= 'A'
>=	6 >= 5, 'G' >= 'A', 5 >= 5, 'A' >= 'A'	5 >= 6, 'A' >= 'G'

Now we will look at Is Null, In, Like and Between. Is Null returns a true if the Field being examined is a Null. Remember, a Null is not the same as a blank "" or a space "". A Null means not defined or never entered. So using our Right Outer Join example:

Table 1	Table 2	Join
1	2	2,2
2	4	4,4
2 3	6	6,6
4	7	,7
4 5 6	8	,8
6	9	,9

And a where clause something like this:

Where Table1.Field Is Null

We would get the following records returned:

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Is Null should not be confused with IsNull. IsNull is a function that allows you to replace nulls with a default value. It replaces only the Nulls otherwise it uses the value of the Field. If we wanted the nulls to be replaced with a 0 we would write a function like this:

IsNull(FieldName,0)

In compares a Field to a list of values for example:

Where City In ('Flint', 'Detroit', 'Cleveland')

The list of values can be either a comma separated list of literals (as above) or a sub query like the next example:

Select Invoice_Number, Amount From AR_Invoice Where Service_Ticket_Id In (Select Service_Ticket_Id From SV_Service_Ticket Where Service_Ticket_Id <> 1)

The sub query must return only one field per row. The returned row must match the type of the field on the left of the In Keyword.

Like uses characters and wild cards to create a pattern matching filter. An example of a Like filter:

Select Customer_Number, Customer_Name From AR_Customer Where Customer Name Like 'A a%'

This would return all customers whose name started with an "A" then contained another character of any sort including spaces, contained an "a" in the third spot followed by zero or more characters of any kind. Below is a chart of the wild cards and what they mean.

Wildcard character	Description	Example
%	Any string of zero or	WHERE title LIKE '%computer%' finds all book titles with
	more characters.	the word 'computer' anywhere in the book title.
_ (underscore)	Any single character.	WHERE au_fname LIKE '_ean' finds all four-letter first

		names that end with ean (Dean, Sean, and so on).
[]	Any single character	WHERE au_Iname LIKE '[C-P]arsen' finds author last
	within the specified	names ending with arsen and starting with any single
	range ([a-f]) or set	character between C and P, for example Carsen, Larsen,
	([abcdef]).	Karsen, and so on. In range searches, the characters
		included in the range may vary depending on the
		sorting rules of the collation.
[^]	Any single character	WHERE au_Iname LIKE 'de[^I]%' all author last names
	not within the specified	starting with de and where the following letter is not I.
	range ([^a-f]) or set	
	([^abcdef]).	

Between takes two parameters and does exactly as one would expect. Here is an example:

Select Invoice_Number, Amount From AR_Invoice Where Amount Between 0.00 AND 15.00

This returns all invoices where the amount is 0.00 through 15.00 inclusive. If you run this it will even return the 1 record which should be the only invoice with a 0.00 Amount. Please notice the "AND" portion of the Between filter. This is not the same as a normal And. It is NOT evaluated with the other And's, and Or's. It is just part of the Between filter and should be considered only as part of the Between. Between also works with character values IE:

Where Customer_Name Between 'A' AND 'D'

Again this would include all names starting with "A" through name of "D", not starting with "D" as there are no wild cards here. If you want all of the "D"s, use something like this:

Where Customer_Name Between 'A' AND 'Dzzz'

Order By Keywords

Order By controls what order the records are returned in. If no Order By is included, then often the record set will be in the order of the first field in the Select list, often, but not always. If it is important the order records are returned in, use a Order By clause. Here is an example:

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Select
Customer_Number,
Customer_Name
From AR_Customer
Where Customer_Name Like 'A_a%'
Order By Customer_Name
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Order By can be either ascending (asc) or descending (desc). You can also mix fields and directions. For example:

Order By Customer_Number asc, Amount desc, Invoice_Type asc

This Order By would take the records and put them in order by Customer_Number from least to greatest, then the invoices for those customers in order by the amount from Largest to least and finally by Invoice_Type from first to last. Fields included in the Order By do NOT need to be in the Select clause.

Union Keyword

Sometimes, we need to create a list of records that combines two separate queries. For example, we want a list of open invoices and open credits in order by customer_number and then date meshed into one recordset.

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Select
Customer_Number,
Customer Name,
Invoice Date,
Net Due,
'I'
From AR Customer C Inner Join
AR Invoice I On C.Customer Id = I.Customer Id
Where net Due > 0
Union
Select
Customer Number,
Customer Name,
Credit Date,
-1 * (Amount - Used Amount),
'C'
From AR Customer C Inner Join
AR Credit I On C.Customer Id = I.Customer Id
Where Amount - Used Amount > 0
Order By Customer Number, Invoice Date
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Let's look at this query from the top. First we have a the select clause. Notice the last item in the list is 'I'. This literal will place a column in our recordset that has an "I" in every row that is an invoice. In the from clause we use an Inner Join to connect the two tables. Notice the use of aliases here, the C and I. This is done just to make the lines a bit more manageable in length. Next we have the Where clause that returns only records that still have a Net_Due. Now we get to the new clause, the Union keyword. A Union keyword joins the Select query above it with the Select query below it. The number and order of columns must be the same and the data types for the columns of each query must be compatible. Below the Union we have another query that returns the open credits. In order to find open credits we had to take the Amount – Used_Amount. We also multiply the result time a negative one so that the credits will be negative compared to the invoices. Also notice that the 'I' field from the top query is now a 'C' and that the Where clause contains a calculated value. Lastly we have an Order By clause. The order by

clause must exist after the two queries but the fields must be named from the first query. Also, You may Union as many queries as you want as long as you follow the rules about number, order and type of columns.

There is one option to the Union keyword. If you use the Union key word between two queries and some of the records returned by the first query exactly match some of the records returned by the second query, the final recordset will have only one copy of any record. In other words, all duplicates are reported only one. If you want to see the duplicates, use the All keyword after the Union keyword. IE.

Union All

In our example query, this would not be a problem for two reasons. First, we are returning records where the invoices are marked by an 'I' and credits by a 'C'. Secondly, all of the invoices will be positive amounts and all of the credits will be negative amounts.

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