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AFIS MANUAL:
INFOADVANTAGE REPORT
DEVELOPER
InfoAdvantage Report Developer

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INFOADVANTAGE REPORT DEVELOPER

Overview

The Info Advantage Report Developer class is a two-day course designed as a pre-requisite training for users who will have Report Developer access in InfoAdvantage.

This course focuses on advanced skills required to modify or create reports using InfoAdvantage. This course is not intended to cover skills related to understanding the chart of accounts nor database fundamentals. Developers are expected to have a baseline level of understanding and skill. The primary focus of this course is demonstrating techniques for creating filters, variables and merges.

This course gives very little attention to techniques employed in formatting reports. However, resources are provided to enable developers to format reports that function as effective and efficient communication tools. The State of Arizona General Accounting Office (GAO) encourages developers to develop reports other than data dump style reports that export to excel and then have to be modified and formatted to meet business needs. Given the vast tools and resources available for the State of Arizona reporting tool (InfoAdvantage), developers can create reports providing the exact end output required by managers.

Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of this class, students will be able to develop reports in InfoAdvantage to provide financial data that supports the agency’s business needs. This course is not designed to teach coding logic or to provide understanding of the underlying data. This course is designed to present some useful report building skills and problem solving options available for report developers.

Final Exercise

At the end of the class, the student will complete a demonstration of proficiency. The Final Exercise will include a requirement to create a report based on scenarios provided. To pass this course and be granted report developer access, the student will need to successfully create a report that meets certain criteria and also pass a multiple choice test.

Students will be able to create a new report that requires the use of:

- Filters
- Variables
- Merges
Introduction to AFIS InfoAdvantage Report Development

Gain Access to InfoAdvantage

Access to develop reports in InfoAdvantage is controlled by the GAO. All developers must demonstrate that they possess the necessary skills and knowledge. Successful completion of this course is required to gain access. Developers must be assigned the Security Role `INFO_DVLPR` and cannot simultaneously have the role `INFO_INTRCT`.

Security Roles in InfoAdvantage

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Security Role (on UDOC)</th>
<th>View Published Reports</th>
<th>Run or Schedule On Demand Reports</th>
<th>Create or Modify Reports</th>
<th>Run 1099AP Confidential Report</th>
<th>Modify 1099AP Confidential Report</th>
<th>Run HRIS Confidential Report</th>
<th>Create or Modify HRIS Confidential Report</th>
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<td>Interactive User</td>
<td><code>INFO_INTRCT</code></td>
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<td>Report Developer</td>
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<td>1099 User</td>
<td><code>INFO_1099AP</code></td>
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*Developers can only modify reports that they own (EIN shows in the `Created by` column)

Basics of InfoAdvantage

InfoAdvantage is an SAP Business Objects reporting tool. It was designed to be a user-friendly reporting tool that organizes AFIS data into an understandable format. Report developers work with a semantic layer that maps complex data into descriptive business terms called `Universes`. Tables and joins in the universe are hidden from view. InfoAdvantage sits on top of AFIS - that is, it is a separate application from AFIS. The data in the Universes may be either real-time or it may be a day behind. An ETL process (Extract-Transform-Load) runs nightly to pull data from the AFIS system and populate it in a data warehouse, which is accessed via InfoAdvantage universes.

Important points to note are:

- Not all data in AFIS is brought into InfoAdvantage.
- Some data in InfoAdvantage is created only in InfoAdvantage
- Universes are segmented by intended reporting area: Budget, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Chart of Accounts, Assets, etc
- Not all objects within the Universes are joined
- Universes do not have joins between them
- SAP has a vast resource on the web available to users of their products. When in InfoAdvantage, click on Help menu > about in the top of the InfoAdvantage Home tab to see what version of SAP we are using and to find a link to the SAP website.

Anticipated availability of InfoAdvantage will be 6 am to 8 pm weekdays, with availability on most weekends as well. InfoAdvantage will not be available until a successful daily ETL completion.

The ETL Process

Each week-night, the following sequence of steps occurs:

- **Extract** - data is extracted from the AFIS Operational System (Advantage)
- **Transform** - the data (fields seen in AFIS) are transformed
- **Load** - logical groups of these objects are loaded into the infoAdvantage data warehouse and are available for access through Universes

*Note: AFIS InfoAdvantage will be available only after the daily ETL runs successfully. It will not be up until this happens. In addition, monthly maintenance will occasionally limit user access on some weekends.*

A view of the basic underlying structure of InfoAdvantage is shown below. Note that the Universes are between the report developers tool and the data warehouse. Report Developers have direct access to view or utilize Universes.
Note: There are over 1 million fields in the AFIS application; over 380,000 objects in InfoAdvantage; and over 60 universes available in InfoAdvantage. The universes and objects accessible to a user are based upon the user’s security and role. CGI develops all the processes above from the Server to the Data Warehouse to Universes.
Test your Knowledge

Answer the following questions based on the information we have gone over so far.

1. All fields in AFIS are also in infoAdvantage. **True / False**
2. Report Developers have direct access to the Data Warehouse. **True / False**
3. InfoAdvantage will be available:
   a. Daily at 6 am
   b. During regular business hours
   c. After successful weekly ETL run
   d. After successful daily ETL run

Reporting Universes

Notes and Tips

The Universes currently available in infoAdvantage are distinguished by the following initial letters/phrase (FIN, OFIN/OADM, and Univ Kernel).

- **FIN** - Financial Universes provide business function financial data that is one day in arrears
- **OFIN and OADM** - Operational Universes provide real-time information directly from the application database (AFIS)
- **Univ Kernel** - Kernel Universes provide information across multiple universes (such as reference tables)

*Note: Avoid combining OFIN/OADM and FIN Universes in a single report because this will cause performance issues (slow processing time).*

Universes are accessed by the report developer through the Query Panel and objects within the universe are organized by folder structure. The folders within a Universe are visible to developers while working in the Query Panel.

Selection of the Universe(s) most suited to the reporting needs is a critical step in successful report development. Details on universes are listed in the Appendix section named **Reporting Universe Notes and Tips**.
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<th>Universe</th>
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<th>Limitations</th>
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<td>FIN - Accounting Summary</td>
<td>1) Trial Balance reporting 2) Reporting where an ‘as of’ beginning or ending balance is required along with summary activity for a specified fiscal period but not ‘as of’ a certain date</td>
<td>1) Limited summary level information only - no document information; for further details, use General Accounting 2) COA roll-up values represent what is currently in Advantage (not retained historically)</td>
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<tr>
<td>FIN - General Accounting</td>
<td>1) Expenditures vs. Revenue reporting 2) Transfers between funds and borrowing 3) Cash inflow and outflow reporting</td>
<td>1) Data attributes are limited to data posted to the Accounting Journal 2) COA roll-up values represent what is currently in Advantage (not retained historically)</td>
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Folder Structure in InfoAdvantage

Under Public Folders are both the 1 - Statewide Reports folder and the Department folder.

The 1 - Statewide Reports folder contains On Demand and Published reports. These reports are organized by functional area as shown below. The content of these reports is controlled by the General Accounting Office. Department users can view, run, copy and/or create shortcuts to these reports.

The Templates folder was created specifically to save time for report developers. Report cover page is pre-built and ready for developers to copy and use as a base for their custom report.
Department folders are separated by agency.

Note: In the Training region, the equivalent of Department folders is represented by the Training folder.
Each Department folder will have four subfolders:

1. On Demand Reports
   - The contents of this folder are controlled by the department users
   - New reports created by a report developer can be saved in the users Department On-Demand folder

2. Payroll Confidential Reports folder
   - These reports are developed by GAO for each agency. Users who are granted INFO_PYRL user roles may view and run reports within this confidential report folder.

3. XXX 1099/AP Reports folder
   - XXX = the three letter agency code. These reports are developed by GAO for each agency. Users who are granted INFO_1099AP user roles may view and run reports within this confidential report folder.

4. XXX Published Reports
   - XXX = the three letter agency code. These reports are published by GAO for each agency.

*Note: InfoAdvantage returns an error message if users do any of the following:*
   - Try to modify and overwrite someone else’s report
   - Try to save into another agency’s On Demand folder
   - Try to save into the Statewide Reports folder
   - Try to save into a confidential report folder (1099 or Payroll)

Remember that GAO makes updates to the 1-Statewide reports occasionally. The two strategies below will assist Department users to manage their On Demand reports affected by any updates.

- Copy and edit a report found under 1-Statewide – Maintenance required upon GAO update: create a copy of the new report and re-do any edits you had originally implemented
- Use shortcuts – Maintenance required upon GAO update: either none (if the shortcut still works) or creation of a new shortcut

Sign up for updates on the GAO website to stay informed about additions of new reports and edits to existing reports in the 1-Statewide folder.
Report Development Considerations

1. Know the Data
   - Developers need to first understand the source data, the documents, process, etc. click Appendix: Chart of Accounts Information to review, provides several resources available for researching

2. Determine what information to include
   - An example of what the final report should look like (perhaps a sample of a prior report used by the report requestor)
   - A list of the information to be included in the new report
   - An indication of how frequently they will want this information
   - A general explanation of how they will use this information

3. Create a Design
   - Good practice is to get the users to review and approve this before going further

4. Locate information sources
   - Perform as much processing outside of the report as possible
   - Minimize the need to link (to create joins) to other objects

5. Reconcile
   - Within the report (for example, when multiple report tabs are required)
   - To AFIS

6. Format last
   - Changes to a report may also change the formatting, so it is best to wait until the data is correct before formatting

Report Promotion Process
Report developers should build reports in UAT/MA1 (our test environment) and then request promotion to the production environment after the report is working correctly in UAT/MA1. This will reduce the load on the live system, and will provide a back-up of the report.

When the report built in UAT/MA1 is ready for promotion to the production environment, developers will move the report into the Promotion Reports folder within the Department’s On Demand Folder in UAT/MA1. If the Department’s On Demand Folder does not have a Promotions Reports folder please send an email request to AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov to have one created.

Once the report is available in the Promotion Reports folder the developer will email GAO at AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov to request that the reports be moved. GAO will verify the performance (run
time and data volume) of the report and may require additional constraints or filters before promoting. **GAO will not test the accuracy of the report - that is the responsibility of the department.**

1. Upon completion of building a report in UAT/MA1, move the report into the Promotion Reports folder within the Department’s On Demand folder in UAT/MA1

2. Report Developer will send an email request to AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov
   - Please ensure that you include your agency name, report name and a sample of the prompt values you intend to use to run the report
   - Sample Email Content: [Agency Name] has submitted the following report(s) to the Promotion Reports folder in the UAT/MA1 environment. Please confirm when moved to Production.
     - Example: [Report Name] - [Prompt Name and Value]

3. Report will be moved into the corresponding Promotion Reports within the Department’s On Demand Folder in the Production (PROD) environment and GAO will reply to the email request notifying that this is completed

4. GAO will purge reports from the Department’s Promotion Reports every three weeks. From this folder, the Department will have 15 business days to take a copy of the report in PROD and move it into the desired Department folder. Upon moving the report, email AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov and provide the full file path of the location where you have saved the report in PROD. GAO will move the report in UAT/MA1 out of the Promotion Reports folder into the corresponding folder in UAT/MA1.

   **Note: If the report is edited in UAT/MA1 and then promoted to production, a back-up copy of the report will remain in the UAT/MA1 environment to protect from accidental loss of the report.**

Report Delete/Purge Process

GAO has a purge process that looks for large sized reports (saved with data) or unused within the last 15 months. To identify the report owner, the Created By property column can be added under Preferences (Refer to the AFIS Interactive Training CBT for instruction on how to add properties to display). Report developers and interactive users can delete On Demand Reports under their Department folder. GAO can recover reports deleted in error within 30 days of the deletion. To request a report recovery, email afis.reports@azdoa.gov with

- Sample Email Content: [Agency Name] has deleted the following reports listed below and is requesting recovery
  - Example: [Report Name] - [Date Deleted] - [EIN of Employee who deleted]
Test your Knowledge

Answer the following questions based on the information we have gone over so far.

1. I can delete reports created by other developers. **True / False**
2. Can GAO recover an accidentally deleted report that was developed in PROD? **Yes / No**
3. GAO will verify my report’s data for accuracy before promoting to PROD. **True / False**
Design Mode Introduction

Open a copy of the FIN-AZ-CM-N502s Monthly Cash Balance Report by Subfund which has been saved into the training folder and refresh the report for prompts FY = 2018, APD = 1, Fund = GF%

Developers have access to Design mode on all reports. Through Design mode developers can edit, format, and test reports in development.

Briefly examine the various elements within the tool bar, the left panel, and the status bar.

Next, navigate around within the report clicking on various objects and observing changes in the tool bar and shortcut menu options; opened by right-clicking. The tools available both in the tool bar and in the shortcut menu will depend upon the location of the cursor.

Design will open seven tabs that an interactive user does not have access to: File, Properties, Report Elements, Formatting, Data Access, Analysis and Page Setup.

The five tabs Report Elements, Formatting, Data Access, Analysis, and Page Setup are divided into subtabs. Many tools are available under these tabs and subtabs.

This course will focus almost entirely on certain actions found under the Data Access tab and the Analysis tab.
Data Access Tab

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<td>Data Providers</td>
<td>Provides access to the Query Panel, ability to purge report data, ability to refresh one or all queries within the document</td>
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<tr>
<td>Data Objects</td>
<td>Provides ability to merge objects and to create customized variables</td>
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Analysis Tab

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<td>Filters</td>
<td>Build Report filters, input controls, and add rankings</td>
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<tr>
<td>Data Tracking</td>
<td>Activate or deactivate tracking mode</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Display</td>
<td>Add groups, breaks and sorts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Conditional</td>
<td>Formatting option</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interact</td>
<td>Add drill functionality, a filter bar, or outline view</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Functions</td>
<td>Add a sum, count, average, or customized formula</td>
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The Query Panel

Development of a new report begins with the Query Panel. The Query Panel is the initial tool that developers use to: select objects from the universe, create report filters, set limits on the size of results, and test results. Users can access the query panel in Design view by selecting (Ctrl + Q) or by navigating to the Data Access tab > Data Providers > Edit Data Providers.

The following screen print identifies 5 areas in the Query Panel on the Accounting Summary Query:

- Universe outline
- Result Objects
- Query Filters
Universe outline

The Universe outline panel on the left side of the Query Panel lists all the **Objects** and **Classes** within the Universe. An **Object** represents a column or function from the database. Each **Object** is organized into **Classes** within a Universe. **Objects** are referenced in queries created in the WebI (Web Intelligence) Tool.

*Note: Most information available for queries in infoAdvantage is a day behind. An exception is the OFIN universes, which have live operational data.*
1. Universe
   - A logical group of classes that correspond to functional areas

2. Class
   - A logical group of related objects
   - Sub-classes are more granular groups of related objects

3. Object
   - A selection of data in the data warehouse
   - Can refer directly to a column in the data warehouse or can be developed in the universe

There may be thousands of objects within a single Universe: there are about 2,500 objects in the Accounting Summary Universe and about 21,500 objects in the General Accounting Universe.

Classes and objects are organized by folders in infoAdvantage Universes as shown below.

*Note: Not all objects within the universe are joined; you may need to create merges within your report.*
<table>
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<th>Object types</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Dimension Objects - Blue Diamond</td>
<td>These objects are either text or dates, such as Fiscal Year and Document Record Date. These are the basis for queries and determine the level of detail for the report.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detail Objects - Green Asterisk</td>
<td>Always associated with a Dimension Object and provides additional descriptive data about the Dimension. Detail Objects such as Start Date, End Date and Closed Flag are objects that could be related to a Fiscal Year Dimension.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Measure Objects - Orange Ruler</td>
<td>Always represents numeric data that is the result of calculations on data in the database. A Measure Object’s value changes depending on the context of the report. Some universes contain various predefined measures.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Predefined Filter - Yellow Funnel</td>
<td>Predefined Filters are time savers that are created by a Universe Designer. They are created for conditions that are complicated and/or commonly used. An example of a predefined filter is Required Fiscal Year Prompt.</td>
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</table>
Note: In addition to all the objects built within the Universes, report developers can build their own variables (in which you may combine, edit, or make calculations on objects from the universe). Variables are not visible in the Query Panel; they are visible in the Available Objects.

Result Objects

Result Objects form the fundamental basis of the report(s) that will be built in the infoAdvantage document.

Note: Universe objects placed into Result Objects are available for use in the report, but are not automatically placed in the report (except when first building a report). Result Objects will affect the output on the report even if they are not used in the visible report.

Objects from the Universe outline are moved into the Result Objects section of the Query Panel by any of several methods:

- Double-clicking
- Clicking and dragging
- Clicking and selecting the arrow to move it into the Result Objects

Note: Be careful when double-clicking to move objects into Result Objects: A double-click of a folder will move all objects within the folder into Result Objects.
Actions available in the Result Objects section are listed below.

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<tr>
<td>Add Quick Filter</td>
<td>Takes an object from the Result Objects Panel and adds it to the Query Filters Panel</td>
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<tr>
<td>Remove</td>
<td>Removes object that is currently selected from the Result Objects Panel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remove All</td>
<td>Removes All objects from the Result Objects Panel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move Left or Right Arrows</td>
<td>Moves the object selected right or left in the Result Objects Panel</td>
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Query Filters

Query filters narrow your data down to the specific information needed. Query filters may be pre-built or may be built by the developer.

1. Query filters
   - Retrieve only the data that is needed to answer a specific business question
   - Optimize performance (run time) by limiting the size of the data

2. Query filters may be added in several ways
   - Double-clicking
   - Clicking and dragging
- Clicking and selecting the arrow to move it into the Query Filters
- Selecting an object in Result Objects and then clicking the filter icon

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<td>Removes filter that is currently selected from the Query Filters</td>
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<td>Remove All</td>
<td>Removes All filters from the Query Filters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move up or down Arrows</td>
<td>Moves the Filter selected up or down in the Query Filters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Add nested filter</td>
<td>Allows for a complex filter that allows for an And or Or sub filter</td>
</tr>
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After adding an object (other than a pre-built filter) to the Query filters section, further development is required. The information below details elements of a query filter. Note that **Prompt Filter** will show only if Filter Type is set to **Prompt**.
How to Build a Query Filter

Add the object to the **Query Filters** section of the Query Panel.

1. In the Report CM-N502s, add **Fiscal Year** to the Query filters just below the existing Fiscal Year Prompt

2. Select the Operator from the drop-down list

   *Note: If this is done after editing the prompt text in prompt properties, then the text will have to be entered again.*

Operators available are shown below.

<table>
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<th>Operator</th>
<th>Description of what data is retrieved</th>
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<tr>
<td>Equal to</td>
<td>Data equal to a specified value</td>
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<tr>
<td>Not equal to</td>
<td>Data different from a specified value</td>
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<tr>
<td>Between</td>
<td>Data between two specified values; also includes values specified</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Not Between</td>
<td>Data outside the range of specified values</td>
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<tr>
<td>Matches pattern</td>
<td>Data including a specific string</td>
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<td>Special Characters in a prompt allow for extra flexibility in report design. Allow users to enter prompt with wildcard options.</td>
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<td>- % (percentage symbol) is a wildcard for a series of characters</td>
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Greater than or Equal to | Data greater than or equal to a specified value  
Less than | Data lower than a specified value  
Less than or Equal to | Data lower than or equal to a specified value  
In List | Data for the multiple values specified  
Not in List | Data different from the multiple values specified  
Both | Data that corresponds to two specified values  
Except | Data that corresponds to one specified value and does not correspond to the second specified value  
Is null | Data for which there is no value entered in the database  
Is not null | Data for which a value was entered in the database  

3. In the Report CM-N502s, select the Operator **Equal To**

Next, define the filter type:

The filter type allows the user to select the type of filter they want in the report. Filters available are shown below.

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<td>Constant</td>
<td>A single value that users will not need to enter when running the report</td>
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<tr>
<td>Value(s) from list</td>
<td>One or more values that users will not need to enter when running the report</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prompt</td>
<td>Users will select the value(s) needed. Selecting this opens Prompt Properties options</td>
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<tr>
<td>Object from this query</td>
<td>Will automatically pull based upon another element in this query. Users will not select the value(s). Also, note that there is a limit as to the number of values in list (99).</td>
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</table>
Result from another query (Any) | Element will be based on a corresponding element from another query within the report

4. In the Report CM-N502s, select **Prompt** from Filter Type drop-down list

The next step in building a prompt depends upon what Filter type is selected:

- If a Filter type of Constant is selected, enter the constant into the Operand box
- If a Filter type of Prompt is selected, click the prompt properties icon and make selections

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<th>Prompt Properties</th>
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<tr>
<td>Prompt text</td>
<td>The description of the prompt seen by the user when refreshing a report. A default Prompt text is provided but can be modified to make it easier for the user to understand what is needed.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prompt with List of Values</td>
<td>Is enabled by default whenever an object has an associated list of values. Not recommended on objects where large amounts of data exist in the database such as Document ID, Vendor Number, measures, etc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Keep last value(s) selected</td>
<td>Stores the last prompt values so when the report is refreshed the prior prompt values are displayed. However, the user still has the option to enter a new value if desired.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select only from list</td>
<td>Used to help eliminate the entry of wrong date (i.e. format or case of data) and forces the user to select the prompt value from the list. Not recommended on objects where large amounts of data exist in the database such as Document ID, Vendor Number, measures, etc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Optional prompt</td>
<td>Provides flexibility by not requiring the user to enter a prompt value, while allowing others to enter the necessary value to narrow down the returned data when needed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set default value(s)</td>
<td>Used to set a default value that will be displayed when the report is refreshed and will also allow the user to enter a new value if desired</td>
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5. Click the prompt properties icon, remove the (s) in the Prompt text box, select **OK**
6. In the Report CM-N502s, view the newly created prompt

Note: In addition to Query Filters, Report Developers may build other filters that act on the data after the initial Query Filters. Discussion of these other filter types are presented later in this manual.

7. In the Report CM-N502s, close the Query Panel (click on the small x in the top right corner) to avoid retaining these changes
Data Preview

Test Data Preview in your report by running for FY 2018 and APD 12 and Fund = AB%

One action is available in the Data Preview section: **Refresh**.

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<tr>
<td>Refresh</td>
<td>Allows for a view or sample of the data for the query displayed</td>
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Developers use **Refresh** in Data Preview to test data for joins and to test performance (run time).

**Joins:** If **Refresh** in the Data Preview panel returns multiple Result pages, this indicates that one or more objects within Result Objects are not joined (meaning no logical relationship has been established) at the universe level. A drop-down box for selecting the page number will populate next to the Refresh button in the Data Preview Panel if multiple pages result from the query. Developers should use Data Preview to test queries. The goal for developers is to not have multiple Result pages in the Data Preview pane after running a test refresh in Data Preview. The picture below indicates to a developer that edits to the query result objects are needed before moving out of the query panel.

**Run Time:** Developers must determine the correct amount of data to bring into their report: too much data can slow the run time of your report or even bring the system down for everyone. However, not enough data may prevent your ability to reconcile. Use Data Preview to test the run time of your query.
The Query Panel Tool Bar adds further functionality for developers including:

- Run or Close
- Change the view on the Query panel (show or hide panels)
- Add a new query from a different universe
- Add an additional query from the same universe
- Edit the order of prompts
- Limit the report by size or run time
- View SQL query script
- Run some test analysis
- Define the scope of analysis for drill capability
Actions available in the Query Panel Tool Bar section are listed below.

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<tr>
<td>Add Query</td>
<td>From the Universe (allows developers to pull queries from the same universe or from multiple universes) adds tabs to current query</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data Outline</td>
<td>Shows or hides the Data Outline Panel which consists of the Universe and Classes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Query Filters</td>
<td>Shows or hides the Filters Panel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data Preview</td>
<td>Shows or hides the Data Preview Panel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scope of Analysis</td>
<td>Shows or hides the Scope of Analysis Panel. This section allows for objects lower in the hierarchy to be included as a drilling level in a report.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Add a combine query</td>
<td>Allows for a group of queries that work together to return a single result. (See Appendix for an example.) There are three query relationships:</td>
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<td>- Union: takes the data from both queries, eliminates duplicate rows and builds a combined data set</td>
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<td>- Intersect: returns the data that is common to both queries</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- Minus: returns the data in the first query that does not appear in the second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Note: To delete a combined query, click on the query name and hit “Delete” on your keyboard and then Yes to remove.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Query Properties</td>
<td>Used to set report limits, sample results data, security and prompt order</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Query Script Viewer</td>
<td>SQL script for the query that can be viewed, copied and customized to generate the query Report Developers will be able to see, but cannot edit the SQL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Run Queries</td>
<td>Applies the modifications, runs the query and closes the query panel. Can run individually or for all queries</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Close               | Closes the query panel with either of these options:  
  - **Apply Changes and Close**: Save changes and closes query panel without running the query  
  - **Revert Changes and Close**: Closes the query panel without saving the changes made |
Filters - Four Types

There are four filter types available to report developers. Query Filters are run first (when the report is refreshed/run). All other filters take effect after the report is run/refreshed.

<table>
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<th>Filter Type</th>
<th>Affects data when?</th>
<th>Who can Create?</th>
<th>Who can use?</th>
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<tr>
<td>Query Filter</td>
<td>On Run/Refresh</td>
<td>Report Developers</td>
<td>Report Developers and Interactive Users (Prompts Only)</td>
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<td>Report Filter</td>
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<td>Input Control</td>
<td>After Run/Refresh</td>
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<td>Report Developers and Interactive Users</td>
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<td>Drill Filter (Filter Bar)</td>
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A summary of the four Filter Types follows:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Filter Type</th>
<th>Built/edited by</th>
<th>Build Location Access through</th>
<th>Applies to</th>
<th>Effect</th>
<th>Available for interactive users?</th>
<th>May be hidden</th>
<th>Found under Document Structure and Filters</th>
<th>Found under Auto Filter under Report tab</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Query Filter</td>
<td>Developer</td>
<td>Query Panel</td>
<td>Entire query</td>
<td>limits entire query output</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Report Filter</td>
<td>Developer</td>
<td>Analysis tab &gt; Filters or Right - click menu</td>
<td>Specific table</td>
<td>limits data displayed</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input Control</td>
<td>Developer</td>
<td>Under Analysis Tab &gt; Filters &gt; Input Controls or right click menu or Input Control button on left of window</td>
<td>Objects within blocks (tables) or the entire report (page)</td>
<td>limits data displayed (may set to allow one, several, or all)</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes, if applied</td>
<td>Yes, if applied</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Drill Filter (Filter Bar)</td>
<td>Interactive user or Developer</td>
<td>Under Analysis tab &gt; Interact</td>
<td>All tables on the report (tab)</td>
<td>limits data displayed (either only one selection or all items in list)</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes, if applied</td>
<td>Yes, if applied</td>
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InfoAdvantage Report Developer
Query Filters:
Are built by the developer in the Query Panel. These filters set the initial limits on data pulled from the Universes. These may be constants or prompts.

Report Filters:
Are built by the developer in the Design View. They are housed under the Analysis Tab though they may be accessed through the right-click quick menu. These filters allow developers to limit the data for selected object within a single table in a report. Multiple report filters can be added. The filter remains in place and only developers can edit these. An example of a Report Filter window is shown below.
Input Controls:
Are built by the developer in Design View. They are housed under the Analysis Tab though they may be accessed through the right-click quick menu and also from the menu on the left of the design window. These filters allow all report users to limit the data for selected objects within selected tables in a report. These are easier to find than Report Filters and allow more customization possibilities. Performance issues may result. An example of an input control is shown below.
Drill Filters (Filter Bar filters):
Are added by either the developer or interactive user. They are housed under the Analysis Tab though they may be accessed through the right-click quick menu or the tool bar. Because users do not need to access Design for creating these filters, they are covered in the Interactive training course and are therefore excluded from this course. Users can use the Filter bar to limit the data to single data points for one or many selected object within a report. Multiple filters may be set on the filter bar. This filter applies to all tables on a report. These filters also remain on the report after selected and can be hidden from user view.

An example of a filter bar is shown below:
Finding Report Filters
When troubleshooting a report, developers need to find all filters. Developers have various locations to assist in locating all filters:

- Query Panel
- Document Structure and Filters
- Pre-Defined Cells: Report Filter Summary and Query Summary

**Document Structure and Filters:** (found under Design > Document Structure and Filters)
This area has disadvantages in that it will not show inactive filters and a long list of filtered objects will not be shown.

Use of the predefined objects **Report Filter Summary** and **Query Summary** will provide complete details.

**Pre-Defined Cells:** (found under Report Elements > Cell > Pre-Defined)
These filters require a report tab in which to paste the cell, so the first step is adding a new report tab. Right click on any report tab > Add Report.
Report Filter Summary


The cursor will change into a small crossbar and the message **Click to insert the cell here** will appear.

Click anywhere in the new report tab and view the Report Filter summary. This will show all filters in a report.
Query Summary

Navigate to **Report Elements > Cell > Pre-Defined > Query Summary**; Click anywhere in the new report tab and view the Query summary. This shows Query Filters as well as other relevant information about the query, such as run time **“Last Execution Duration”** in seconds.

```
*** Query Name: Query 1 ***

** Query Properties:
Universe: FIN - Accounting Summary
Last Refresh Date: 3/20/18 2:28 PM
Last Execution Duration: 111
Number of rows: 150,322
Retrieve Duplicate Row: ON

** Query Definition:
Result Objects: Appropriation, BFY, Fund, Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Object Class, Closing Classification, Debit Activity, Credit Activity, Net Activity Amount
Filters { Fiscal Year Equal 2018
AND Closing Classification Name In List { Accrued Expenditures;
Cash Expenditures }
```

Create and Modify a Simple Report

This section will cover the following skills:

- Create a new Web Intelligence (WebI) document
- Add Objects
- Remove Objects
- Create Query Filters
- Create an Input Control Filter
- Add Totals and Subtotals
- Create a variable for a title using a user response to a prompt
- Create a variable for calculations

Scenario - Instructor Only

The Central Services Bureau (CSB) has requested a report that provides Accounts Payable and budgeting activities for Fiscal Year 2016, Accounting Period 1 and all Department(s) that begin with the letter A. The report body should include Department, Disbursement Document information (concatenated), Line Amount and 1% Increase Amount. The report should include grand totals along with subtotals by Department. Include a title for the report called “Payments” followed by the User(s) prompt inputs for Fiscal Year and Accounting Period.

The query(s) Result Objects should at least include the following objects: Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers), and DISB Actg Line Amount from FIN – Accounts Payable.

Create a filter that allows the end user to filter by one or more Department(s).

The report should include totals for Amount and for a 1% Increase Amount. A variable is needed for the 1% increase. The Amount total for AMA and ANA on this report should be $226.67.

Note: Build ALL of the reports in the UAT/MA1 environment and promote to Production. This will ensure there is a backup of the report should anything happen. It also reduces slowing in the Production system. (It is recommended to use the same procedure when editing an existing report.)
Create a New Webl Document

1. Login to infoAdvantage
2. Go to the Home tab
3. Open the Web Intelligence Application by clicking on the Webl Icon

If an error message related to JAVA appears, follow these steps:

*Note: Do not update JAVA on the training computers or your work computer, unless your IT department chooses to do so.*

1. Click on Preferences on the top right corner of the screen
2. Select Web Intelligence on the left of the Preferences window
3. Choose the HTML (no download required) option in the Modify section
4. Click Save and Close
5. Click OK on the Preferences Changed window
6. Reload/refresh the page

*Note: This workaround will provide almost 90% of all development capabilities. The users will be able to develop new reports as well as modify existing reports. The Data tab which can be used to change the source of the report will not be available.*

7. Click on the blank piece of paper to start a new document
8. Select the **Universe** data source
9. Click **OK**
10. Select the **FIN – Accounts Payable** Universe
11. Click **OK**

Add Result Objects
Find objects in the Universe outline panel to add them to the Result Objects panel:

Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, Unit, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers) and DISB Actg Line Amt.

1. Type **Fiscal Year** into the Universe Outline Search box
   - Scroll down to the Class (folder) named Detail Financial Reporting Periods > Detail Fiscal Year and find Fiscal Year
   - Add Fiscal Year to the Result Objects section by double-clicking, dragging and dropping, or using the arrow keys
2. Repeat the above process, but add **Accounting Period** by navigating to the sub-class Detail Accounting Period instead of Detail Fiscal Fiscal Year
3. Repeat the above process, but add **Department** by navigating to the Class **Chart of Accounts** sub-classes **COA – Organization > Organization – Centralized View**

4. Type **DISB Doc** into the Universe Outline search box and add **DISB Doc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers)** to the Result Objects

5. Type **DISB Actg** into the Universe Outline search box and add **DISB Actg Line Amt** to Result Objects

**Add Query Filters (Prompts and Matches Pattern Constant)**

**Add Query Filters**

**Fiscal Year (prompt), Accounting Period (prompt), Department (Constant with Matches Pattern)**

1. Left-click on **Fiscal Year** in Result Objects and drag it into the Query Filters box
   - Release the left-click
   - Select **Equal To** from the drop down list in the operand box
   - In the Filter Type box, select **Prompt**
   - Click on the **Show Prompt Properties** icon
   - View the Prompt Properties but make no changes, then click **OK** to close the window

2. In the Universe Outline search box, type **Accounting Period** then highlight the object under the sub-class **Detail Accounting Period**. Left-click this object and drag it into Query Filters box.
   - As done above for Fiscal Year, change the operand to **Equal to** and the Filter type to **Prompt** and view the **Prompt** Properties but don’t make any changes

3. Select **Department** from Result Objects and left-click to drag it into Query Filters
   - Change the Operand to **Matches Pattern** and in the Constant box type **A%**
Test the Query

1. Check your query for run time and for joins by clicking **Refresh** in the Data Preview panel.

2. Enter **FY 2016** and **APD 1** for prompt values.

*Note: (as shown in the screen print below) that every column has data and that there is only one page in the Data Preview Panel.*

3. Close the Query Panel by selecting **Run Queries > OK**.

4. Click **Save > Save As > Your Name – 1A** in your assigned training folder.

5. Close the report tab and then navigate to your report to open it anew.

*Note: that we are saving with data here by clicking Save after running the query and retrieving data. This is not recommended because it can cause system performance issues in some cases.*

Create an Input Control Filter

Add an input control for **Department**

1. Click on “Design”

2. Click in the **Department** column so that the data field background turns grey.

3. Navigate to **Analysis tab > Filters > Input Controls > Check box** (or List Check Box).

4. Check **Page Body** (This applies the input control to all tables on the report tab).

5. Select **Finish**

6. Verify that the **input control** is visible on the left panel.

7. Click **Save**

**Alternative method to create an Input Control**

1. Select the **Input Controls** icon on the left side of the window.

2. Select **New**

3. Select Report Object: Select **Department**
4. Select Next
5. Choose Control Type: Select Check box on the right side of the screen under Multiple Selections
6. Select Next
7. Assign Report Elements: Check the box Page Body (or the check box next to Block 1) and then Select Finish

Test the input control, then purge data and save
1. Refresh or Run the report with Prompts FY 2016 and APD 1
2. Verify that the input control is visible on the left panel
3. Uncheck Select (All) and then select only Department ABA in the Input Control window
4. Before leaving this report tab, return the Input Control selection to Select (All)
5. Navigate to Data Access tab > Data Providers > Purge > Purge All > Purge last selected prompt values > Yes > OK

Note: Purging the data in the report will prevent unnecessary space usage in the system.
6. Click Save

Add Totals and Subtotals
Create Totals
1. Click in the DISB Actg Line Amt column so that the column turns grey
2. Navigate to Analysis > Functions > Sum
3. Note the Sum row is added to the report
4. Click Save
Next, Create Subtotals

1. Right – click in the Department column > Break > Manage Breaks > Add... > Department > OK > uncheck Break Header > OK

Note: the subtotals for Department are not automatically populated.

- The sum function must be re-added to include the subtotals (break) for Department.

2. Click into the DISB Actg Line Amt column so that the data field turns grey

3. Navigate to Analysis > Functions > Sum > Sum (It is necessary to click Sum twice to first remove the prior sum and then to add the new one)
4. View the subtotal by Department and total for all Departments shown

5. Remove the input control selections by clicking the box for Select All (or ‘Reset’)

6. Purge the report Data > Purge > Purge All > Purge Last selected Prompt values > OK

7. Click Save

Create a Variable (Using a Prompt Response) and use in Header
Create a Variable Using a Prompt Response

1. Double-click on the tab named Report 1 (bottom of the window) and type a new name Payments

   Note: The Report title (in the header) changes to Payments.

2. In Design view, Navigate to Data Access > Data Objects > New Variable > New Dimension

3. In the Create Variable window
   - In the Name box, Type Var – FY and APD
   - In the Formula box, type the following (BE SURE TO INCLUDE SPACES BEFORE/AFTER the ‘FY’)
     - = “FY” + UserResponse()
   - With the cursor in between the (), navigate to the Available Operators box > Prompts > “Enter values(s) for Fiscal Year”
   - Add + “APD” + UserResponse()
With the cursor in between the (), navigate to the Available Operators box > Prompts > “Enter values(s) for Accounting Period”).

4. Click on the Green check mark > OK > OK

Use a Variable with a Prompt Response in a Report header

1. Click in the report title box (Payments) and then on the formula editor icon

2. Add + [Var – FY and APD] to the formula editor box

Note: Variables (and any other formulas) created within a WebI document are saved within the document. They are not available for use within other WebI documents unless recreated within them.
Test the new variable and remove unnecessary objects from the report

1. Run the Report for FY 2016 and APD 1 and Note that the report title reflects the edits
2. Delete the columns for Fiscal Year and Accounting Period by right clicking in each column and selecting Delete
3. Navigate in the left panel to Available Objects and note that both objects still exist in the document

Note: Available Objects is where a developer finds variables, result objects, and merged objects.

This is by design. The purpose here is to delete the objects only from the table on the report tab, but not to delete these two objects from the entire document. If they were deleted in Result Objects, then the objects would not show in Available Objects and also the variable just created and added to the report header would not work.

4. Click Save

Create a Variable (Using Measures for Calculations)
Add a measure variable: showing the expenditures increased by 1%

1. Navigate to Data Access > Data Objects > New Variable > New Measure
2. Enter Name = Var – Budget
3. Enter Formula box type =
4. In the Available Objects box within this window, double-click [DISB Actg Line Amt]
5. Just to the right of [DISB Actg Line Amt] type *1.01
6. Click the green check mark > OK > OK

7. In Available Objects, left-click on the new variable and drag it and drop it just to the right of [DISB Actg Line Amt] (Drop the object when the small vertical rectangle appears.)
Add a sum, resize columns, test results, purge data

1. Click in the newly created column, then navigate to Analysis > Functions > Sum
2. Resize the columns by navigating to Formatting > Size > and enter 1.5 in the Width box
3. Verify that the total shows for the new column and the grand totals match this

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<th>WR,AAA,CNV217176730,1</th>
<th>WR,AAA,CNV217176731,1</th>
<th>AUA</th>
<th>Sum:</th>
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<td></td>
<td>4,000.00</td>
<td>639.03</td>
<td>182.50</td>
<td>Sum:</td>
<td>469,939.14</td>
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<td>4,040.00</td>
<td>645.42</td>
<td>184.33</td>
<td></td>
<td>474,638.53</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Sum:</td>
<td>190,406,898.01</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4. Navigate to Data Access tab > Data Providers > Purge > Purge All > Purge last selected prompt values > Yes > OK

*Note: Purging the data in the report will prevent unnecessary space usage in the system.*

5. Click Save

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**Test your Knowledge**

Answer the following questions based on the information we have gone over so far.

1. All available objects will show in the report. **True** / **False**
2. Result objects that are not used in your report will not affect your report output. **True** / **False**
3. InfoAdvantage automatically saves after each change. **True** / **False**
The Central Services Bureau (CSB) has requested a report that provides Accounts Payable and budgeting activities for Fiscal Year 2018, Accounting Period 1 and the following Departments (ABA, BBA, CBA, EBA, NBA, OBA, PBA, and RBA). The report body should include Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, Fund, Disbursement Document information (concatenated), Line Amount and 20% Increase Amount. The report should include grand totals along with subtotals by Fund. Include a title for the report called Payments followed by the User prompt inputs for Fiscal Year and Accounting Period.

The query Result Objects should at least include the following objects: Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, Fund, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers), and DISB Actg Line Amount from FIN – Accounts Payable.

Create a filter that allows the end user to filter by one or more Departments.

The report should include totals for Amount and for a 20% Increase Amount. A variable is needed for the 20% increase. The Amount total for this report should be $163,720.16.

Save your report in your assigned training folder with the following name: full name – 1B..
Create a Report that Requires Merges

The new skills covered in this section are:

- Introduction to Metadata report
- Merging objects
- Finding Filters

Research is required before developers can know which objects can be used to create merges.

Metadata Report

The Metadata Report enables report developers to locate required data fields. The Metadata Report maps Application Page Codes and Field Names to infoAdvantage Universes and Objects. It also maps objects found only in infoAdvantage to Universes containing them. Field names in infoAdvantage are often different from the name of the equivalent field in the AFIS system (recall that the transform part of the ETL process is where fields may be re-named). Not all fields in AFIS are brought into infoAdvantage. Some objects shown in the Metadata report are not available for developers to use (because they are hidden). The Metadata report essentially provides a crosswalk between AFIS and infoAdvantage.

Test your knowledge

Answer the following questions based on the information we have gone over so far.

1. Use the Metadata Report for a crosswalk
   a. From AFIS to infoAdvantage
   b. From infoAdvantage to AFIS
   c. Both a) and b)
2. Do all AFIS fields have a corresponding object available in infoAdvantage?
3. Are all objects found in the Metadata report available for report development?
This section covers some difficult issues encountered when developers need to build a report from objects that are not joined at the Universe level. This section provides important solutions available to developers when creating a new report requiring objects that are not joined at the Universe level.

The Accountancy Board (ABA) has requested a report that provides Payment Requests and Disbursements (not including payroll) for Fiscal Year 2018 and Accounting Period 1. The report body should include Payment Request Document Code, Payment Request Document Department Code, Payment Request Document ID, Vendor Code, Disbursement Document information (concatenated), Check Number (warrant), Line Amount.

The query(s) Result Objects should at least include the following objects: Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, PR Doc Dept Code, PR Doc Code, PR Doc ID, PR Vendor Customer Code, DISB Hdr Check No, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers), DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID, and DISB Actg Line Amount from FIN – Accounts Payable.

Remove all records with null vendors from the report.
The PR Doc Code for payroll documents is **PEDF1**.

The report should include totals for Amount. The Amount total on this report should be **$10,710.97**.

*Note: Build ALL of the reports in the UAT/MA1 environment and promote to Production. This will ensure there is a backup of the report should anything happen. It also reduces slowing in the Production system (It is recommended to use the same procedure when editing an existing report).*
Preliminary Research to Build Merges

In creating merges, developers have to research and find:

- Which objects are not joined
- What commonalities exist between those objects (merges will be built upon the commonalities)
- What are the name(s) of the common fields in the source data
- What are the corresponding Universe and the Object Names in infoADV

The first step is to determine what objects are missing joins. One way to discover this is to examine the multiple pages in the Data Preview pane (and/or examining the differences between the multiple tables produced in cases where the report was run for the first time).

Compare the two results from the Data Preview screen prints below. The results on the screen prints below would show in Data Preview if a developer added all the result objects from the scenario above into a single query and then refreshed in Data Preview. The multiple pages indicate an error in the query: all result objects in the query are not joined at the universe level. Notice the difference between the Result 0 and Result 1: One result contains information pertaining to the DISB Doc and the other contains information pertaining to the PR doc.

Whenever a developer receives this kind of result, the developer immediately knows that some objects must be taken out of this query and put into a different query.

The next step is to research to find any commonalities between the objects that are not joined. These commonalities will be used to “relate” (i.e., “merge”) the objects within the report.

A developer in this case would need to have researched and discovered the following information... In AFIS, many documents are related to other documents through the information stored on the “Reference” tab of the Accounting Component. The following chart shows how the documents in the Data Preview screen prints above are related.
In the diagram above: **AAAA** and **BBBB** and **CCCC** represent the assigned AFIS document number or agency manually assigned document number.

DISB docs have fields referencing the PR Doc that are found on the Reference tab within the Accounting Component of a DISB Doc.

The relationships are shown below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PR Doc</th>
<th>DISB Doc</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 PR Doc Code</td>
<td>= 4 DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 PR Doc Dept Code</td>
<td>= 5 DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 PR Doc ID</td>
<td>= 6 DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Given the relationships above, the developer of the report is now ready to build a report using objects that are not joined at the universe level. The objects will be pulled in separate queries and will then be “merged” within the report based on the relationships discovered.

**Tip:** In creating merges, developers must create separate queries and then merge the objects from the separate queries. The same principle applies when creating reports from multiple data sources (universes): using more than one universe requires a separate query from each universe. Adding more than one query, whether from the same or different universes, means that merges will be required.

Add Query to Create a Report Requiring Merges

Create a New Webl Document from the FIN – Accounts Payable Universe (see earlier instructions)

1. Right Click on the tab **Query 1 > Rename > DISB**

   **Note:** If you are not sure that objects will be joined, then add one at a time and stop to check the results in the Data Preview Panel (to be sure that multiple pages are not created) before adding the next object.

2. Add the following Objects to the DISB Query Result Objects Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, DISB Hdr Check No, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers), DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID, and DISB Actg Line Amount

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<th>Explanation of why to include this in Result Objects</th>
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<td>(this is to join to the PR Doc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code</td>
<td>(this is to join to the PR Doc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID</td>
<td>(this is to join to the PR Doc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DISB Hdr Check No</td>
<td>(this is what we want to see in the report)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. Create the Department Query Filter equal to (constant) ABA
2. Create the Fiscal Year and APD Query Filters (make them required prompts)
3. Refresh in Data Preview using FY 2018 and APD 1 to test the results
   - Notice that there is only one page

4. Click Close > Apply Changes and Close > Save
Next, create, build, test, and name the PR Document Query

1. Open the Data Provider (Query Panel) and Click Add Query

*Note: In this case, a developer could also right-click on the DISB tab name and click Duplicate and then edit the second query.*

2. Click From the Universe

3. Select FIN – Accounts Payable > OK

4. Add the following to Result Objects

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<td>(this is to join to the DISB Doc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PR Doc ID</td>
<td>(this is to join to the DISB Doc)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PR Vendor Customer Code</td>
<td>(this is what we want to see in the report)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Also add the Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, and Department Code (these will be dragged down to become query filters)

5. Create the Fiscal Year Query Filter equal to (prompt) Enter Fiscal Year:
   - Make sure the prompt verbiage exactly matches the verbiage for the same prompt on the DISB tab

6. Create the Accounting Period Query Filter equal to (prompt) Enter Accounting Period:
   - Make sure the prompt verbiage exactly matches the verbiage for the same prompt on the DISB tab

7. Create the Department Query Filter equal to (constant) ABA

8. Create the PR Doc Code Query Filter not equal to (constant) PEDF1
   - Excludes non-vendor payments

9. Refresh in Data Preview using FY **2018** and APD **1**

Notice that there is only one page in the Data Preview Panel

10. Right Click on the newly created query tab > Rename > PR > OK

11. Run Queries

12. Prompt values FY **2018** and APD **1**
13. In the Add Query message box select **Include the result objects in the document without generating a table** > OK

![Add Query dialog box]

14. Click **Save**
Build Merges

Create three merged objects. Merges applied with Available Objects create an inner join. The name of the merge will be the name of the first object selected when creating the merge. Recall that the objects are related in this way (see section 2A-1).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PR Doc</th>
<th>DISB Doc</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>PR Doc Code</td>
<td>DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PR Doc ID</td>
<td>DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. In Available objects, click **Arranged by Query** (use the drop down arrow found at the bottom of the Available object pane)
2. Click on **[PR Doc Code]**
3. Hold the Ctrl key and click on **[DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code]**
4. Release the **Ctrl key** after both objects are selected
5. With the cursor still hovering above the **[DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code]**, Right - click > Merge

**Note:** that a new folder **Merged Dimensions** appears in the Available Objects panel and it has the merged object in it.

Repeat steps 1-5 to create two more merges between the following objects

7. **PR Doc ID** and **DIS Actg Doc Ref Doc ID**
Build Report with Merged Objects

Add a new report tab and build a new table starting with the merged objects

Add a new report:

1. Right - Click on the tab (at the bottom of your window) named Report 1
2. Select Add Report
3. A new report named Report 2 should appear
4. Select the following objects in this sequence and hold down the control key so all remain selected
   - Merged PR Doc Code
   - Merged PR Doc Dept Code
   - Merged PR Doc ID
   - DISB Doc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers)
   - DISB Actg Line Amt
5. Drag the selected items into the blank report (below the header section) and release

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PR Doc Code</th>
<th>PR Doc Dept</th>
<th>PR Doc ID</th>
<th>DISB Doc (C)</th>
<th>DISB Actg L</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>AD</td>
<td>ABA</td>
<td>17000060951</td>
<td>WR,AAA,170</td>
<td>700.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AD</td>
<td>ABA</td>
<td>17000060960</td>
<td>WR,AAA,170</td>
<td>400.00</td>
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<td>WR,AAA,170</td>
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<td>WR,AAA,170</td>
<td>600.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

6. Before saving delete the unused report tab named Report 1
7. Click Save
Create Detail Variable to Resolve #DATASYNC Error

Add objects to the report ONE AT A TIME and use a detail variable for an object that is not joined

1. Left - Click on and drag DISBHdr Check No into the report just to the right of DISBDoc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers) (release the click when the small vertical rectangle shows). The object drops easily into the report.

2. Left - Click on and drag PR Vendor Customer Code into the report just to the left of DISBDoc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers)
   - Several objects under the DISB Doc query become italicized when PR Vendor Customer Code is selected. This is a sign that objects are not joined.
   - It will not drop into the report. This is a sign that objects are not joined.

3. Try to force the object PR Vendor Customer Code into the report by adding a new column
   - Right click on DISBDoc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers) in the report > Insert > Columns on Left
   - Click within the new column so that the records turn grey
   - Select the formula editor > PR Vendor Customer Code
   - Click on the green check mark and verify the formula is defined correctly
   - Click OK > OK

Note: the #DATASYNC error. This is a sign that objects are not joined within the report.

Create a detail variable to place an object into a table when there is nothing to join on at the query level

1. PR Vendor Customer Code can be converted from a dimension to a detail through use of a variable
2. Select Data Access tab on the top of the window
3. Select New Variable > New Detail
4. In the Create Variable window – fill-in the following fields:
   - Name: Var – Vendor
   - Qualification: Detail
   - Type: Default value
   - Associated dimension: PR Doc ID (Merged Dimensions)
   - Formula: = [PR Vendor Customer Code]
5. Click the **green check mark** to make sure formula was entered correctly
6. Select **OK** on the Web Intelligence pop up window
7. Select **Ok** on the Create Variable window
8. Validate that the new **[Var – Vendor]** variable appears in the “Available Objects” section
9. In the table, replace **[PR Vendor Customer Code]** with **[Var – Vendor]**
10. Click in the column header of the new column and rename to “Vendor”

Notice the records with a null **[Var – Vendor]**

Add a report filter to remove records with no vendor

1. Click in the column **[Var – Vendor]** (the column should turn grey)
2. Select **Analysis (tab at top) > Filters > Filter > Add Filter**
3. In the Report Filter window, select **Is not Null** for the [Var – Vendor] detail
4. Click **OK**
5. Click **Save**

Test the total DISB Actg Line Amt (should be $10,710.97)

1. Click in the **DISB Actg Line Amt Column** so that all records turn grey
2. Navigate to **Analysis > Functions > Sum**
3. Click on **Sum**
Find Report Filters

Click on the Document Structure and Filters icon on the left panel.

1. Verify the filters on Report 2 tab
2. Click on the + symbol for Report 2
3. Click on the + symbol for Vertical Table: Block 1

Notice that the filter is shown here
5. Close the window

Test your Knowledge

Answer the following questions based on the information we have gone over so far.
1. Filters can be found at four levels. True / False
2. All filters are visible after clicking the Document Structure and filters icon. True / False
3. Variables ______
4. Are built by the report developer
5. Are built into universes
6. Allow vast customization possibilities
7. More than one of the above. Which ones ______.

Scenario - Student Solo

The Board of Barbers (BBA) has requested a report that provides Payment Requests and Disbursements (not including payroll) for Fiscal Year 2018 and Accounting Period 3. The report body should include Payment Request Document Code, Payment Request Document Department Code, Payment Request Document ID, Disbursement Document information (concatenated), Check Number (warrant), Record Date, Vendor Code, and Line Amount.

The query(s) Result Objects should at least include the following objects: Fiscal Year, Accounting Period, Department, PR Doc Dept Code, PR Doc Code, PR Doc ID, PR Vendor Customer Code, DISBHdr Check No, DISB Doc (Code, Dept, ID, Vers), DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code, DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID, DISB Hdr Record Date, and DISB Actg Line Amount from FIN – Accounts Payable.

Create a filter that allows the end user to filter by one or more Vendors(s).
Remove all records with null vendors and MISCPAYVEND from the report.
The PR Doc Code for payroll documents is PEDF1.

The report should include totals for Amount. The Amount total on this report should be $2,513.02.
Save your report in your assigned training folder with the following name: full name – 2B.
Appendix

Metadata Report

The Metadata Report enables report developers to locate required data fields. The Metadata Report maps Application Page Codes and Field Names to infoAdvantage Universes and Objects. It also maps objects found only in infoAdvantage to Universes containing them. Field names in infoAdvantage are often different from the name of the equivalent field in the AFIS system (recall that the transform part of the ETL process is where fields may be re-named). Not all fields in AFIS are brought into infoAdvantage. The Metadata report essentially provides a crosswalk between AFIS and infoAdvantage.

Queries can be developed by entering prompts in various ways:

- Given an AFIS Page and Field, find the infoAdvantage Universes that contain this information
- Given an AFIS Field, find the infoAdvantage Universes that contain this information
- Given an infoAdvantage Universe/Class/Object, find the AFIS Page and Field it comes from

The Metadata report is located on MA1 (Testing Environment) only.

Location: MA1 > Folders > Public Folders > 1-Statewide Reports> Metadata > INADV-META-0001

Several prompts shown in the listing below are available for users.

1. Advantage Application - prompts are data in the AFIS application
2. Operational - prompts are from OFIN-... and OADM-... universes
3. Data Warehouse - prompts are from FIN-... universes

Note: All Metadata prompts are optional, however at least one prompt (in addition to the first prompt that defaults to FIN) should be used. The full report should not be run without this additional prompt selection as it will cause performance issues and may bring down the MA1 environment.
Metadata Report - Scenario

Find an infoADV Universe that contains the **Name** field on the **Appropriation** page in AFIS. Before using the Metadata report, the exact Page Code and Column Name in AFIS must be located.

Find the Application Page Code

1. In the AFIS application, go to **Page Search**

![Page Search screenshot]

2. The Advantage Application Page Code is **APPR**

Find the Application Column Name:

1. Click on the hyperlink for **Appropriation** and locate the **Name** field (aka column)

![General Information screenshot]

2. Right-click in the **Name** field and select either **Field Level Help** or **Show Description**
3. The Advantage Application Column Name is **APPR_NM**

Given the AFIS application Page Code and the Application Column Name, a search for corresponding infoADV Universe(s) and Object(s) can be run using the Metadata report.

Run the Metadata report (MA1 > Public Folders > 1-Statewide Reports> Metadata> INADV-META-0001) using the prompts.

*Note: Some fields displayed in the Metadata report may not be available to users. This may occur because of the user access level (determined by security granted) or because the field may be hidden.*

View results and select the Universe that best suits the reporting need – There are both OFIN (Operational) and FIN (Data Warehouse) Universes that contain objects corresponding to **Appropriation Name** on the Appropriation page in AFIS.
There are many universes to choose from and the corresponding classes and Object Names are also provided. Please be aware that the Objects have various names.

**Metadata Report - Alternate Method**

**If no data returns, try another approach:** Leave the application prompts blank and enter the AFIS Application Column name into the **Data Warehouse Column Name** prompt.

As an example, **CAN_REAS_CD** is the field (column) name for the Cancellation Reason on the Check reconciliation (CHREC) page in AFIS. Entering **CAN_REAS_CD** in the **Application Column Name** prompt on the Metadata report will not return any data.

However, it will return data if **CAN_REAS_CD** is entered for the prompt **Data Warehouse Column Name**. The Operational Universe Name is set to **NA**.
Only the FIN-Accounts Payable Universe contains this object. Within the FIN – Accounts Payable Universe, three Classes contain the data and each Object is uniquely named.
Combined Queries

Combined queries are multiple queries running on a single Data Provider in a single Universe that returns a single set of data. Find more info on SAP’s website: [https://SAP.com/LearnBI](https://SAP.com/LearnBI)

Suppose you want to show object and revenue source in the same column on a report. Follow the example below to build this. For practice, build the query shown below to bring in cash expenditures reported by object.

![Combined Queries Example](image)

Next, click on Combined Queries in the top tool bar

In the new query, replace **Object** with **Revenue Source** (not with label) and keep it in the exact same position in the Result Objects pane. Add the Query filters (note in the second query the Closing Classification Label changes to 14 – Collected Revenues).
Notice, in Data Preview, the results of both queries are combined in the output and the first query entered provides the name assigned to the combined column (Object Label).
Using the Applet to Modify a Report

To access the Applet, developers first need to have the following in place:

1. Have a current version of JAVA installed, and
2. Set the Applet as the default for Modify (Under Preferences > Web Intelligence > Modify as shown below)

*Note: You will need to log off and re-log in for the changes to take effect.*

After these are in place, open Internet Explorer and navigate to the folder containing the report you want to work on. Right click on the report and select Modify.
1. **Copy and save** a copy of the CM-N502s into your folder (this is necessary to have a version that is owned by your user ID - because users can only modify objects that they own)

2. Right click on the report > **Modify**

3. Click **Design**

4. In the report, click in one of the columns with numbers in it

5. Under **Design mode** > **Format** > **Numbers** > **Custom** > **Custom**

   The number format in this report was custom made and is shown below.

6. Create a new custom format by editing as shown below > **Add** > **Apply**

7. View the result in your report
Other Useful Skills

Export to Cell A1 in Excel

1. In the report, Navigate to Document Structure and Filters > right click on **Vertical Table: Block 1** > Format Table >

2. Select **Layout** and move the position within the report to 0 inches from the left edge of the report and 0 inches from the top edge of the report > **OK** > **Save**

The report will export to cell A1 if exported to excel.
Create a Graph
Right click on the table created in scenario 2B > Copy > Paste (just below your current table).

Move the new table using the instructions above (plus the changes shown below) to locate it exactly below the first one.

On the General tab, give the new table a name: Chart > OK
Notice the name showing under Document Structure and Filters.

Right click within the bottom table > Turn Into > Column Chart

Right Click on the outermost border of the chart > Format Chart.

Many formatting options will appear in the window.
Add Input Controls to a Graph and the Related Table

Continuing with the example above, navigate to the Input Controls.

Select only PCARDBBA0001. Notice that this only changed the data in the table, but not the related chart.

Place your cursor over the grey bar showing the name of the input control and select the wrench symbol that appears. Select the Dependencies tab > check the box just to the left of the word Chart > OK
Notice that the input control now effects both the chart and the table on this report.

General Accounting Office (GAO) Website

https://gao.az.gov/resources/news

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On the News and Updates page, be sure to register so that you are kept informed:

https://gao.az.gov/register-updates

Also, check the Availability of infoAdvantage on the GAO home page: https://gao.az.gov/
Contact GAO with Report Requests or Suggestions

Statewide Reports – Reporting Incorrect Reports
Email GAO at AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov and include the report name, location, prompts used and what is in error.

Statewide Reports – Suggestions for Improvements
Email GAO at AFIS.Reports@azdoa.gov with a copy of what is suggested.

Agency Reports – Requesting Creation of a New Report or Modify/Analyze an Agency Report
When custom reports are needed, and cannot be developed by the AFIS Report Developers within the agency, a Change Request can be submitted for the State’s Report Developers to help create it.

1. Identify an existing report that is as similar as possible to the custom report.
2. Submit a sample of the report that you would like to be built.
3. Find the AFIS & TRIRIGA Change Control Form and the AFIS Change Request & Defect Resolution Procedures on the GAO Website at the following address: https://gao.az.gov/afis/afis-information
4. Submit your Change Request as indicated on the PDF fillable form.
## Appendix: Answers to Review Questions

### Test your Understanding (pg 8)

**Answers**

1. All fields in AFIS are also in infoAdvantage *(False)*
2. Report Developers have direct access to the Data Warehouse *(False)*
3. infoAdvantage will be available
   a. Daily at 6 am
   b. During regular business hours
   c. After successful weekly ETL run
   d. After successful daily ETL run

### Test your Knowledge (pg 14)

**Answers**

1. I can delete reports created by other developers. *(False)*
2. Can GAO recover an accidentally deleted report that was developed in PROD? *(No)*
3. GAO will verify my report’s accuracy before promoting to PROD. *(False)*

### Test your Knowledge (pg 47)

**Answers**

- All available objects will show in the report. *(False)* – Objects are listed under Available objects, but are not necessarily placed in the report. For instance, some objects are included only to create joins.
- Result objects that are not used in your report will not affect your report output. *(False)* – All objects in result objects can affect report output. This is why it is best to include only necessary objects in the report design.
- InfoAdvantage automatically saves after each change. *(False)*
Scenario - pg. 48

Query Panel with refresh for FY 2018 and APD 1 showing in Data Preview:

Last Page of Report with input control showing:
Test your Knowledge (pg. 49)

**Answers**

1. Use the Metadata Report for a crosswalk
   - From AFIS to infoAdvantage
   - From infoAdvantage to AFIS
   - Both A and B
2. Do all AFIS fields have a corresponding object available in infoAdvantage? (No)
3. Are all objects found in the Metadata report available for report development? (No, some are hidden)

Test your Knowledge (pg 61)

**Answers**

1. Filters can be found at four levels. (True - Query, Report, Filter Bar, Input Control)
2. All filters are visible after clicking the Document Structure and filters icon. (False - Missing Query filters)
3. Variables ______
   a. Are built by the report developer
   b. Are built into universes
   c. Allow vast customization possibilities
   d. More than one of the above. Which ones A and C
Scenario – pg. 61
Query Panel:
Available Objects:

- **DISB**
  - Accounting Period
  - Department
  - DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Code
  - DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc Dept Code
  - DISB Actg Doc Ref Doc ID
  - DISB Doc (Code,Dept,ID,Vers)
  - DISB Hdr Check No
  - DISB Hdr Record Date
  - Fiscal Year
  - DISB Actg Line Amt

- **PR**
  - Accounting Period
  - Department
  - Fiscal Year
  - PR Doc Code
  - PR Doc Dept Code
  - PR Doc ID
  - PR Vendor Customer Code

- **Merged Dimensions**
  - PR Doc Code
  - PR Doc Dept Code
  - PR Doc ID

- **Variables**
  - Var - Vendor
Variables:

![Variables Diagram]

Filters:

![Filters Diagram]
Report with input controls showing:

![Report with input controls showing](image)

Notice that the MISCPAYVEND still shows in the input controls even when it is filtered out by a report filter.
Chart of Accounts Information

Obtain useful information (Chart of Accounts) here: [https://gao.az.gov/publications/saam](https://gao.az.gov/publications/saam)

Developers will find many reports proving Chart of Account information in infoAdvantage here:

Public Folders > 1 – Statewide Reports > Profiles

Users will also find useful COA information on the JACTGC page in AFIS. (including Closing Classification).
## Reporting Universe Notes and Tips

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<th>Universe Description</th>
<th>Possible Reporting Uses</th>
<th>Limitations</th>
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| FIN - Accounting Summary | Universe enables the summarized reporting of debit and credit activity and beginning and ending balances of nominal and real accounts for a given financial period. | 1) Trial Balance reporting  
2) Reporting where an 'as of' beginning or ending balance is required along with summary activity for a specified fiscal period but not 'as of' a certain date | 1) Limited summary level information only - no document information; for further details, use General Accounting  
2) COA roll-up values represent what is currently in Advantage (not retained historically) |
| FIN - Accounts Payable | Universe enables the reporting of transactions related to Payments, Disbursement, Check Reconciliation, Intercepts and 1099 reporting. Reporting can be performed at the document and document line (accounting, vendor, commodity, etc.) levels. The universe does not contain encrypted bank account number information. | 1) Payment and invoice performance tracking  
2) Check reconciliation  
3) Accrual management and analysis  
4) EFT usage  
5) 1099 and 1042-S Reporting  
6) Aged Open Payment Requests  
7) Vendor intercepts and payment holds analysis | 1) PRs and referencing disbursements are not chained here; use Procurement Document Chain  
2) Only documents in Final and Historical (Final) phases  
3) COA roll-up values represent what is currently in Advantage (not retained historically) |
<p>| FIN - Accounts Receivable | Universe enables the reporting of transactions of the governmental accounts | 1) Reconcile receivables with cash deposited | 1) Only docs in Final and Historical (Final) phases |
| FIN - Bond Registry | Universe enables the reporting of processing related to Debt Authorization, Debt Instrument, Debt Scheduling, Debt Cost and Accounting related to Authorization, Lender and Borrower of a Bond Instrument. Reporting can be performed at the Registry level, as well as at individual component level like Authorization, Instrument, Lender, Borrower, Schedule and Debt Cost level. Also, additional reporting capabilities have been provided for Call/Put Schedule related information on bonds. | 1) Report on Bond Lender | 1) No historical information retained on Bond Instrument. |
| 2) Report on Bond Borrower | 2) Only Final and Historical Final documents available |
| 3) Report on Bond Schedules | | | |
| FIN - Budget Vs Actual | Universe enables the reporting of budget and accounting transactions that are associated with a budget (the posting codes for budget and accounting transactions must have either an Expense or a Revenue budget bucket ID associated). It also contains information from the accounting and budget | 1) Budget Control and Monitoring | 1) Accounting Journal postings are limited to Revenue and Expense; for all Accounting Journal postings, use General Accounting |
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<td>Report Cash Balances by Fund as of the end of a period</td>
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<td>Universe deals with information pertaining to Accruals in Advantage Financials</td>
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<td><strong>1)</strong> Accrual document by department, BFY, and appropriation</td>
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<td>Universe contains the Commodity Line details on the finalized documents that have commodity lines in Advantage Financial Procurement Business Function Universe.</td>
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<td>FIN - Future Document Triggering</td>
<td>Universe enables reporting on documents that are generated based on the type of trigger classified as: Reversals, Reclassifications and Recurring. It also allows reporting on the source documents used to generate the trigger documents. The universe is structured into classes for various details such as document information, dates, flags and document generating frequency information.</td>
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<td>FIN - General Accounting</td>
<td>Universe enables the reporting of accounting transactions and postings processed in Advantage Financial. Contains general accounting journal and ledger information and allows reporting to be performed at the posting line and debit/credit amounts levels.</td>
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<td>2) Transfers between funds and borrowing</td>
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<td>FIN - General Accounting Documents</td>
<td>Universe enables the reporting of accounting based (i.e. non-commodity based) documents used for procurement and accounts payable accounting where commodity level detail is not needed or desired, and internal exchange transfer documents to collect information on two or more internal parties into a single document, usually entered by only one of the parties involved.</td>
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<td>FIN - Grants Tracking</td>
<td>Universe enables the detailed reporting of Grant opportunities. The Grant application, awards and close-out details along with alerts and Grant document status can be reported on through this universe.</td>
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<td>FIN - Internal Costing</td>
<td>Universe enables the reporting of the Internal Costing functionality of Advantage that is built to track various types of non-expenditure costs, which may eventually be charged to accounting distributions.</td>
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<td>Universe enables the reporting of information related to Journal Voucher documents (document type JV) which record accounting adjustments, reversals, corrections, and other miscellaneous activities</td>
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<td><strong>FIN - PR and Enc Aging</strong></td>
<td>Universe enables point-in-time reporting of the aging of open encumbrance or payment request activities. Provides a subset of the Accounting Journal for encumbrances, payment request, and their respective liquidation postings.</td>
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<td><strong>FIN - Procurement Card</strong></td>
<td>Universe contains the Procurement Card transaction details. It contains objects associated with reporting of Procurement Card spending trends, Paid Procurement Card Transaction details and Unprocessed Procurement Card Activity details.</td>
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<td><strong>FIN - Procurement Document Chain</strong></td>
<td>Universe contains objects that facilitate Document Chain Reporting. The universe contains objects related to Requisition, Award, Retainage, Payment Request, and Disbursement. User can do document chain reporting starting at Requisition or</td>
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<td>FIN - Revenue Document Chain</td>
<td>Award documents. Disbursement table includes disbursement cancellation document; therefore, a report listing disbursement cancellation for Award or Payment Request can also be generated.</td>
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<td>FIN - Travel and Expense Management</td>
<td>Universe enables the reporting on information related to the travel documents, traveler and trip details. The reporting can be performed at the document and document line (Traveler, Trip detail, Accounting etc.) levels.</td>
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<td>FIN - Treasury Accounting</td>
<td>Universe enable the reporting of transactions related to Cash Sweep, Investment Journal vouchers, Journal Voucher Cash Sweep, Investment Allocation Journal Vouchers, Pool Fund Cash Investment Earning and income allocation.</td>
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1) Track receivables written off
2) Track receivables sent to collections
3) Aged open receivable analysis
4) Only docs in Final and Historical (Final) phases

1) Only docs in Final and Historical (Final) phases
2) COA roll-up values represent what is currently in Advantage (not retained historically)
3) Only contains basic info about RE, CR, CL, and WO docs; use Accounts Receivable for more detailed info
4) Only docs in Final and Historical (Final) phases

1) Track travel expense reports
2) Track trip detail information by trip id and traveler id
3) Track travel expenses
4) limited to basic information related to cash sweeps and investments
5) Track investment income allocations
| OADM - Derived Universe | unknown | 1) Research documents with errors  
2) Research users on documents with errors | Only contains documents with errors (not in final phase) |
|-------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| OADM - Document Message | Universe contains dimensions related to document messages. When a document reports a message, the message is stored with details of the component and attribute that caused the message. Each message can be identified with message code, message text, severity, override level, and an explanation. Messages can be error messages, warnings or just informational messages. | 1) Research application security roles.  
2) Research application workflow roles. | Only contains security and workflow information from the administration application tables.  
3) Report on security access. |
| OADM - Security and Workflow | Universe is a collection of tables that relate to Advantage security | Review and verify trial balance and accounts prior to annual close | Only contains Master closing object and revenue accounts |
| OFIN - Annual Close | Universe enables the reporting of the records which are going to be closed during the annual end. These records will be present in TEMP_FTDAD table of Advantage Financial. Records on this table are actual journal voucher accounting lines for the closing based on accounting entries that are currently in the input ledger to the chain, typically the Fiscal Year Details Ledger (LDGR_FYDAD) | Identify Chart of Account elements in the operational system by fiscal year. | Unknown |
| OFIN - Chart of Accounts with Fiscal Year | | | |


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**OFIN - Data Assurance**

- Universe includes information from the Advantage Financial Operating system tables on which data assurance reports will be created. Only reporting columns will be exposed to the universe.

**OFIN - Financial Document Catalog**

- Universe enables the reporting of header, vendor, commodity and accounting line objects that are common amongst the document types for all documents in the document catalog to the online application database. The universe is structured into classes for each of the document components and their respective sections. Within each section, the universe also contains subclasses to support reporting on limited document specific objects for the following areas (and Doc Types):
  - Procurement (RQ, PO, RC),
  - Payment Requests (ABS< PR),
  - Disbursement (AD, MD, DC),
  - Receivables and Cash Receipts (RE, CR),
  - Journal Vouchers (JV),
  - Internal Exchanges (IET),
  - Charges (CH),
  - Payrolls (PYRL),
  - Inventory (CI, IA, OC, SN), and Investments (IV).

1) Research document usage
2) Research rejected and pending documents

Most objects are limited to data elements that are common to all document types.

**OFIN - Fund Balance**

- Universe provides Inception-to-Date balance details for Balance Sheet, Cash Balance and Fund Balance.

**OFIN - Reimbursement**

- Universe includes allows user to report on reimbursement activities.
<p>| OFIN - Travel and Expense Management | Universe enables the reporting on information related to the travel documents, traveler and trip details. The reporting can be performed at the document and document line (Traveler, Trip detail, Accounting etc.) levels. | 1) Research by traveler the travel authorization, travel advance, travel expense information | 1) Limited to Travel and Trip Detail documents: Excludes traveler details. |
| OFIN - VCC and VCM Documents | Universe enables the reporting of information related to the vendor/customer creation documents (VCC) and vendor/customer modification documents (VCM). | Track vendor/customer creation and updates | Limited to VCC and VCM documents |
| OPARM - Reporting Parameters | Universe contains parameters used by data warehouse reports. For example, Report Header is a configurable parameter that client can change the text and display on all reports. | unknown | Unknown |
| Univ Kernel - Accounting Journal | Universe includes the Accounting Journal and Cost Accounting Journal information from Advantage Financial. Only cost accounting transactions with the baseline posting codes of C001, C002, and C003 are present in universe. | Research activity posting to the Accounting Journal and/or Cost Accounting Journal | Limited to cost accounting transactions with posting codes C001, C002, and C003 |
| Univ Kernel - Budget Vs Actual Measures | Universe includes predefined measures for budgeting and actual amounts for all budget structures and levels. The universe must be configured at installation time to match the budget structures defined in Advantage Financial | Report by pre-defined measurers related to budgets and related actual expenditures. | Must be configured at installation time |
| Univ Kernel - Chart of Accounts | Universe containing Chart of Account elements, sub-elements and roll-ups. | Research the chart of accounts available by Department. | Only current chart of account roll-ups in the operational system are available |</p>
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<th>Research commodity details and measures.</th>
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<td>Univ Kernel - Common Reference</td>
<td>Universe holds the objects associated with areas that are common over multiple infoAdvantage universes. The dimensions and detail objects in this universe define various global attributes such as User and Cited Authority information. No measure objects are present in this universe.</td>
<td>Research objects that are included in multiple universes.</td>
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<td>Universe includes information related to the documents processed in Advantage Financial. Only documents in Final and Historical (Final) phases are represented in this universe</td>
<td>Research information on documents process to final phase.</td>
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<td>Universe includes predefined measures for actual amounts for the accounting transactions. The universe must be configured at installation time to match the amounts in journals defined in Advantage financial.</td>
<td>Report on predefined measures pertaining to accounting transactions</td>
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<td>Universe includes information about geographic location set-up in Advantage Financial, such as country and state.</td>
<td>Report information by country or state</td>
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<td>Univ Kernel - Pend Actual Measures</td>
<td>Universe includes predefined expense and revenue measures for pending amounts. The universe must be configured at installation time to match the amounts in journals defined in Advantage Financial</td>
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<td>Universe holds dimension and fact objects associated with Procurement Folders and Procurement Documents. This universe holds classes and objects that define Procurement attributes such as Procurement Type, Procurement Complexity, Procurement Range, Free on Board, Shipping Method, Procurement Staff and Procurement Card. It also holds Procurement Completion Date, Procurement Complete Flag, Buyer, Manager, Buyer Team and Manager Team on the Procurement Folder.</td>
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