

Creating Data Driven Web Apps with BIRT Michael Williams

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Today's Agenda and Goals



- Introduction to BIRT
- Designing BIRT Reports
 - Designer
 - APIs
- Deploying BIRT
 - BIRT Viewer
 - Report Engine (Java)
 - BIRT Viewer Toolkit
 - JavaScript API
- Questions



What is BIRT?



A New Generation of Data Visualization Technology

- Makes all data-driven content development easy
- Modern, web-page design metaphor
- Open and standards-based
- Flexible with rich programmatic control
- Full support for libraries and reuse
- Foundation for a range of solutions





BIRT Release History



September 2004		BIRT Project proposal accepted, and project launched
June 2005	1.0	Eclipse Report Designer, Report Engine, Chart Engine
December 2005	2.0	Support for a wide variety of common layouts
June 2006	2.1	Advanced parameters, ability to join data sets,
June 2007	2.2	Dynamic crosstab support, web services data source,
June 2008	2.3	JavaScript Debugger, BiDi Support, Charts in Crosstabs,
June 2009	2.5	Page aggregates, Multiple drill-downs in Charts,
June 2010	2.6	New charts, more chart control, developer productivity,
June 2011	3.7	POJO Runtime, Hive/Hadoop, Open Office emitters
June 2012	4.2	Maven Support, Excel Data Source, Relative Time Periods
June 2013	4.3	MongoDB & POJO ODAs, PPT & Word 2010 Support, XLSX Support



Designing BIRT Reports

BIRT Data Access



- BIRT Offers many ways to get data
 - Standard Data Sources
 - Flat File (CSV, TSV, SSV, PSV)
 - Hive Data Source (Hadoop)
 - Cassandra Scripted Data Source
 - MongoDB Data Source
 - JDBC Textual or Graphical
 - Web Service XPath syntax
 - XML XPath syntax
 - XLS/XLSX
 - Scripted Data Source Written in Java or JavaScript
 - Open Data Access (ODA) DTP Project
 - Extensible JDBC Driver Framework

GoogleDocs

XML/A

Cassandra

RFST

MongoDB

Multi-Flat File

GitHub

Twitter JSON Search

Dropbox usage

YQL

Google Analytics

LinkedIn

Facebook FQL

BIRT Formatting Capabilities



- Listings, cross-tab, dashboard, pixel-perfect, charts
- Grouping, advanced aggregations, sub-totals,
- Multi-section and sub-reports
- Conditional sections and logic
- Full programmatic control and scripting
- Embedded images
- Dynamic hyperlinking
- And much more!



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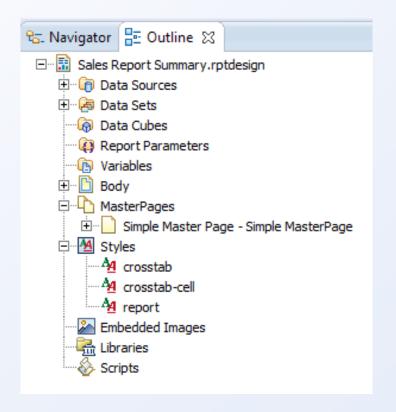
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BIRT Re-use and Productivity



- Library support for publishing and sharing components
- Leverages common standards
 - SQL
 - Java
 - JavaScript
 - XML
- Cascading Style Sheets
- Integrated debugger

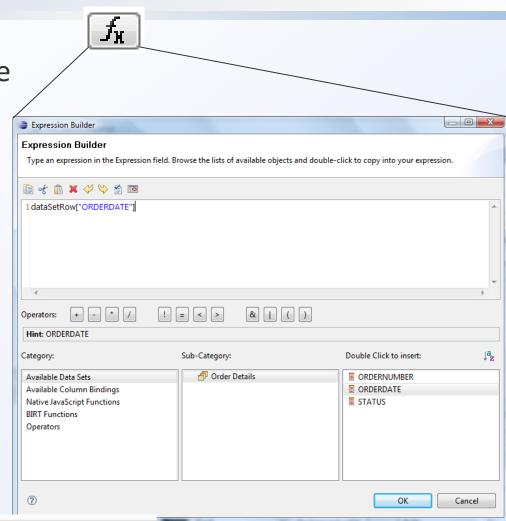


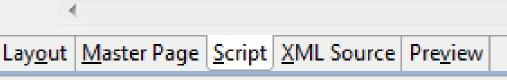
BIRT Expressions and Scripting



Expressions are everywhere

- Data Source\Set, Parameters
- Report Items
 - Data, Crosstab, Images
- Chart Elements
- Visibility, TOC, Bookmarks
- Events
- Helper Object References
 - Data Sets\Table Bindings
 - Native JavaScript Func's
 - BIRT Functions
 - Operators

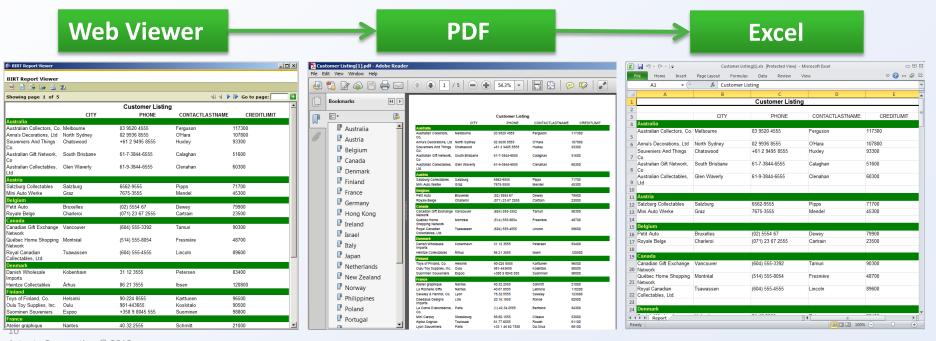




BIRT Output Formats

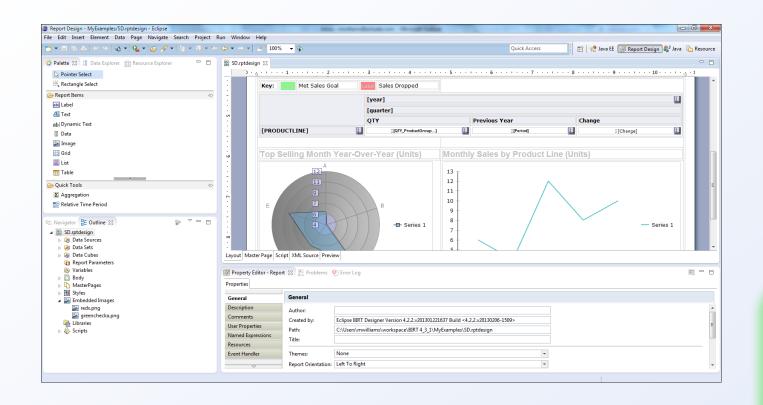


- HTML, PDF, MS Office, Open Office
- Custom emitters : CSV, Text, ...
- Internationalization of labels and text
- Localization of date and numeric fields
- Support for Asian character sets and right-to-left display



The BIRT Designer



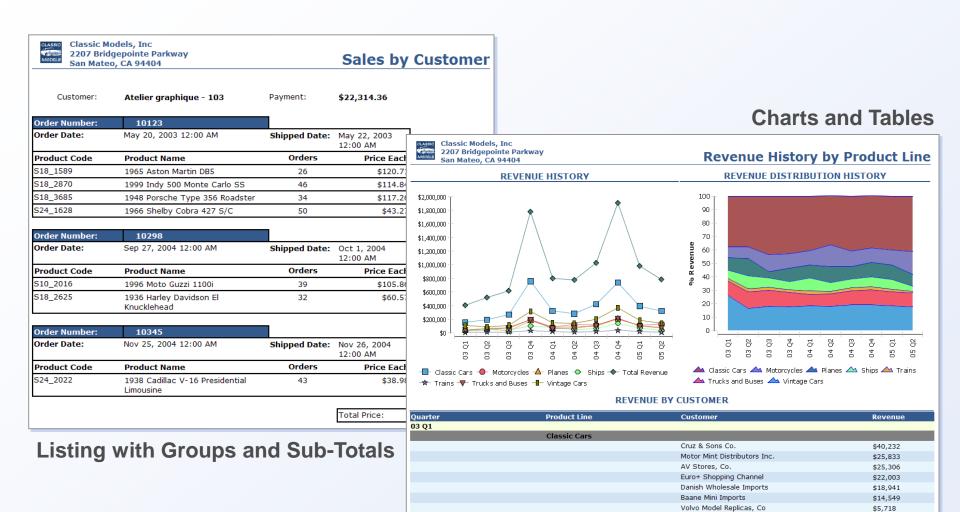




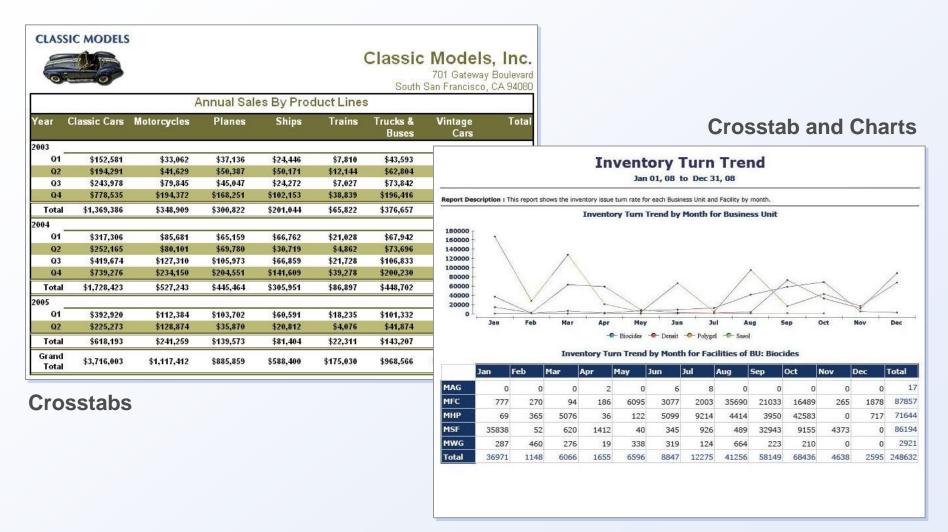


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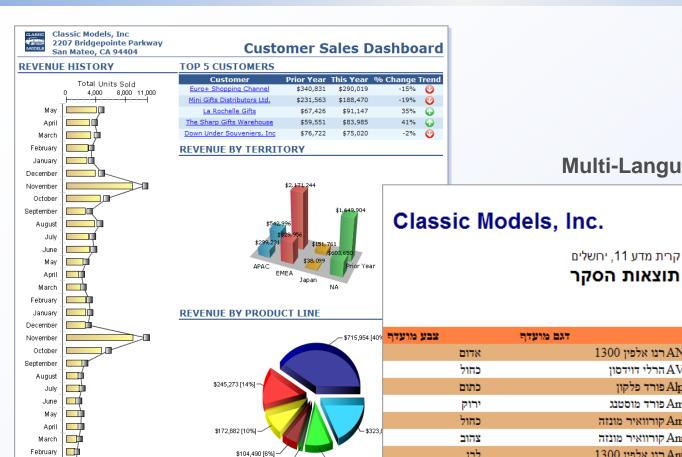






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Multi-Language and Bi-Directional

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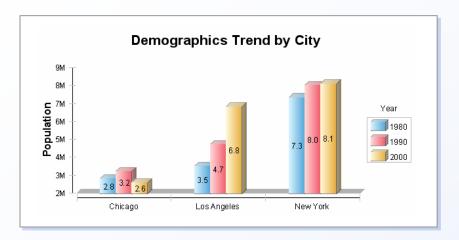


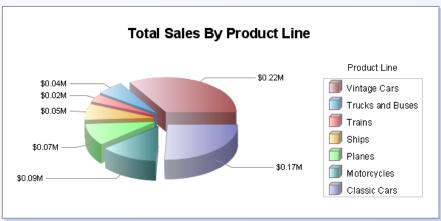
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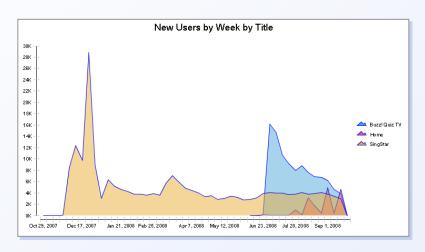
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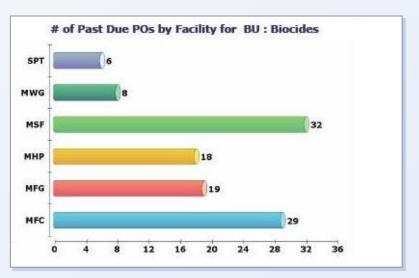
BIRT Chart Gallery





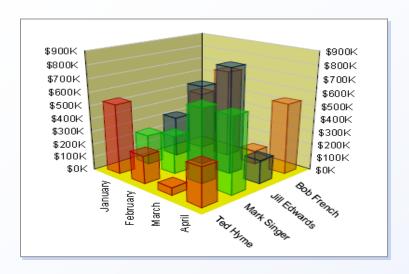


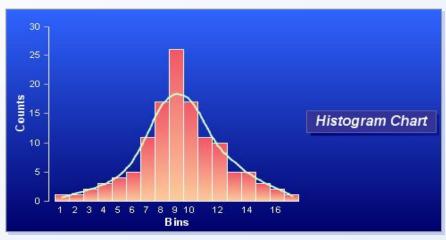


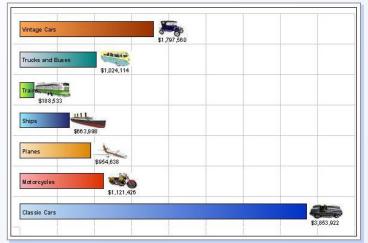


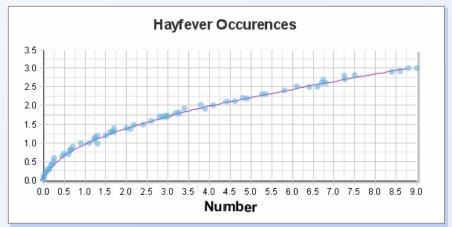
BIRT Chart Gallery





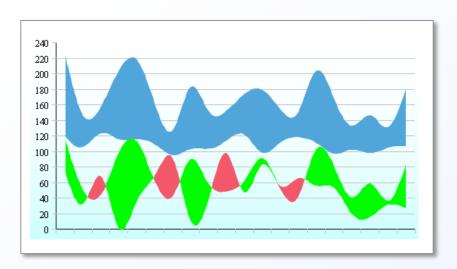


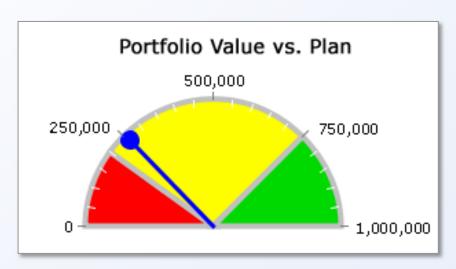


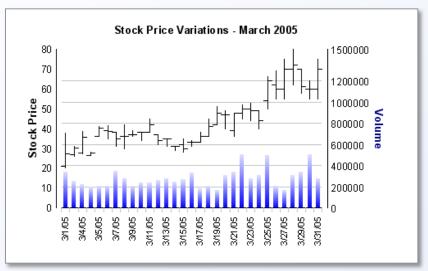


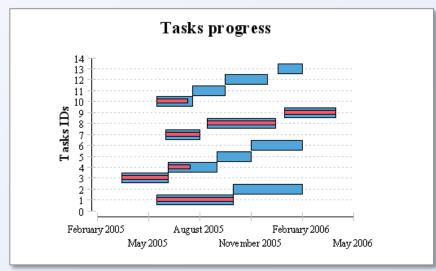
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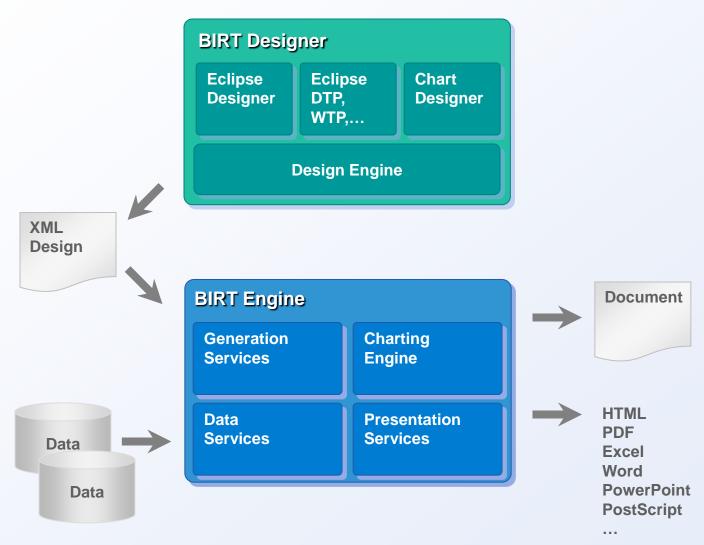






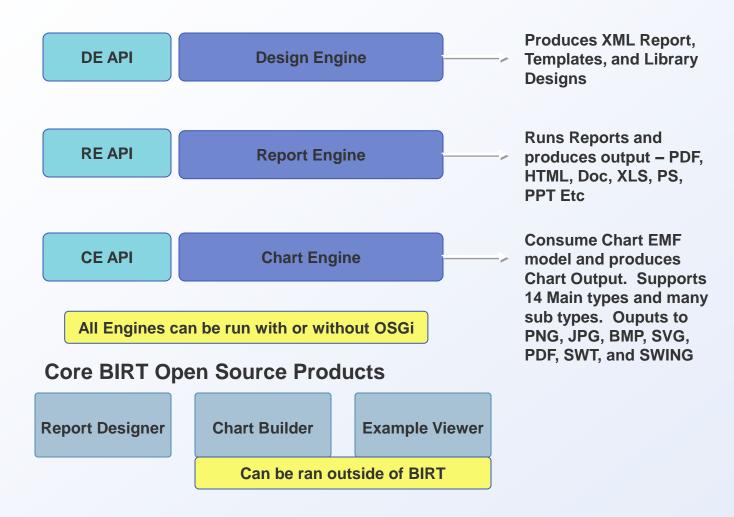
High Level BIRT Architecture





High Level BIRT Architecture



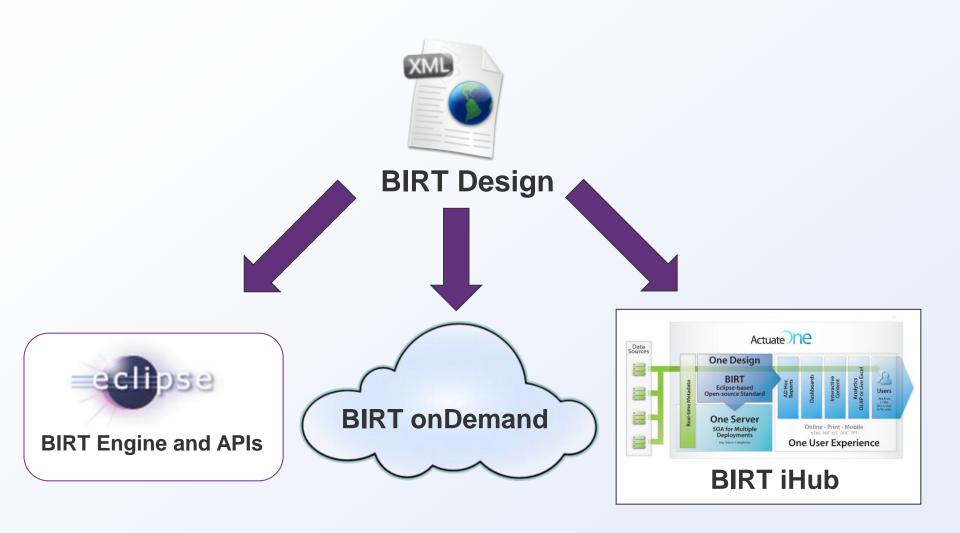




Deploying BIRT Reports

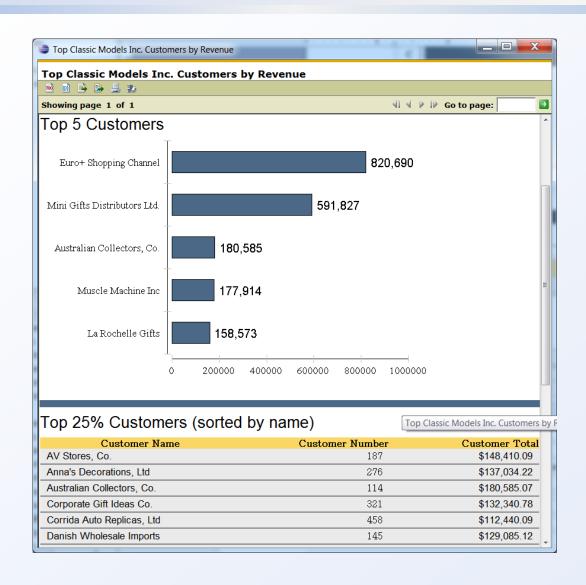
Multiple Deployment Options





BIRT AJAX-Based Sample Viewer





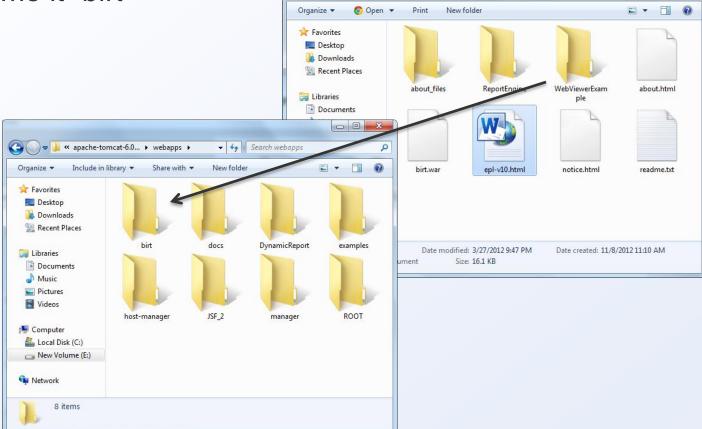
Sample Viewer in BIRT Runtime



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Copy WebViewerExample from the runtime download to the application server and rename it "birt"



BIRT Web Viewer URLs



As a straight HTML output:

http://localhost:8080/birt/run? report=SD.rptdesign

With viewer toolbar, pagination, etc.:

http://localhost:8080/birt/frameset? report=tableReport.rptdesign

Other servlet mappings:

preview, document, output, extract

URL parameters include:

id	title	showtitle	toolbar	navigationbar	locale
format	report	document	parameterpage	pagerange	fittopage
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rtl	page	overwrite			

BIRT Web Viewer URLs



Output to PDF:

http://localhost:8080/birt/frameset? report=tableReport.rptdesign& format=pdf

To display a single report item as a reportlet:

http://localhost:8080/birt/run? report=SD.rptdesign& bookmark=myTable&_isreportlet
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BIRT Viewer Tag Library



Example JSP to embed viewer:

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1" pageEncoding="ISO-8859-1"%>
<%@ taglib uri="/birt.tld" prefix="birt" %>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
<html>
            <head>
                       <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">
                        <title>My Report - JSP</title>
            </head>
            <body>
                        <birt:viewer id="birtViewer" reportDesign="reportName.rptdesign"</pre>
                        pattern="frameset"
                        height="450"
                       width="700"
                       format="html"></birt:viewer>
            </body>
</html>
```

Live Example: http://localhost:8080/birt/dashboard.jsp

BIRT Viewer Tag Library



Example JSP to embed parameters:

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1"</pre>
pageEncoding="ISO-8859-1"%>
<%@ taglib uri="/birt.tld" prefix="birt" %>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
<html>
  <head>
     <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">
  </head>
  <style type="text/css">
     class1 { background-color:#ff0000; color: #ffffff; }
  </style>
  <body>
     Parameter Page 1
     <br>
     <birt:parameterPage</pre>
       id="report1"
       name="page1"
       reportDesign="cascade report.rptdesign"
       isCustom="true"
       pattern="frameset">
```

BIRT Viewer Tag Library



Example JSP to embed parameters (cont.):

Live Example: http://localhost:8080/birt/cascade-report.jsp

Report Engine API (REAPI)



- Report Engine can be used in different ways
 - 3 tasks related to report execution and rendering
 - RunTask
 - RenderTask
 - RunAndRenderTask
 - Using RunTask and then RenderTask means multiple processes to generate and view a report.
 - RunAndRenderTask happens in single process so event firing order is different

Report Engine API (REAPI)

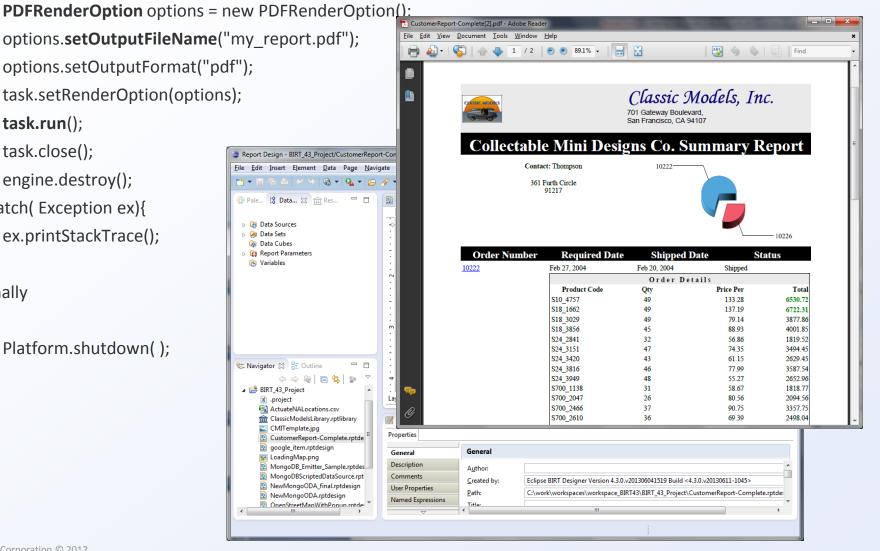


```
static void executeReport() throws EngineException
  IReportEngine engine=null;
  EngineConfig config = null;
try{
  config = new EngineConfig();
  config.setLogConfig("C:\\BIRT 422\\logs", java.util.logging.Level.FINEST);
  Platform.startup( config );
  IReportEngineFactory factory = (IReportEngineFactory) Platform
 createFactoryObject(IReportEngineFactory.EXTENSION REPORT ENGINE FACTORY);
  engine = factory.createReportEngine( config );
  IReportRunnable design = null;
  design = engine.openReportDesign("C:\\BIRT 43\\designs\\param.rptdesign");
  IRunAndRenderTask task = engine.createRunAndRenderTask(design);
  task.setParameterValue("ordParam", (new Integer(10101)));
  task.validateParameters();
```

Report Engine API (REAPI)



options.setOutputFileName("my report.pdf"); options.setOutputFormat("pdf"); task.setRenderOption(options); task.run(); task.close(); engine.destroy(); }catch(Exception ex){ ex.printStackTrace(); finally Platform.shutdown();



REAPI with JSF Step 1 – Create Java Class



```
public class birt2jsf {
  String executeReport(String param) throws EngineException
  IReportEngine engine=null;
  EngineConfig config = null;
  try{
     config = new EngineConfig();
     config.setLogConfig("/logs", java.util.logging.Level.FINEST);
     Platform.startup(config);
     IReportEngineFactory factory = (IReportEngineFactory) Platform.createFactoryObject(
            IReportEngineFactory.EXTENSION REPORT ENGINE FACTORY);
     engine = factory.createReportEngine( config );
     IReportRunnable design = null;
     design = engine.openReportDesign("E:/apache-tomcat-6.0.36/webapps/JSF_2/test.rptdesign");
     IRunAndRenderTask task = engine.createRunAndRenderTask(design);
     task.setParameterValue("Country", param);
     task.validateParameters();
```

REAPI with JSF Step 1 – Create Java Class



```
IRunAndRenderTask task = engine.createRunAndRenderTask(design);
task.setParameterValue("Country", param);
task.validateParameters();
HTMLRenderOption options = new HTMLRenderOption();
ByteArrayOutputStream outs = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
options.setOutputStream(outs);
options.setImageHandler(new HTMLServerImageHandler());
options.setBaseImageURL("images");
options.setImageDirectory("E:/apache-tomcat-6.0.36/webapps/JSF 2/images");
options.setEmbeddable(true);
options.setOutputFormat("html");
task.setRenderOption(options);
String output;
```

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REAPI with JSF

Step 1 – Create Java Class



```
task.run();
  output = outs.toString();
  task.close();
  engine.destroy();
  return output;
}catch( Exception ex){
  ex.printStackTrace();
  return "Error";
finally
  Platform.shutdown();
  RegistryProviderFactory.releaseDefault();
```

REAPI with JSF

Step 2 - Create Java Bean



```
@ManagedBean(name="birtBean")
@SessionScoped
public class BirtBean implements Serializable {
  private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
  private String name;
  public String getReport() {
     birt2jsf report = new birt2jsf();
     String reportHTML = null;
     try {
        reportHTML = report.executeReport(name);
     } catch (EngineException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();}
     return reportHTML;
     public String getName() {
     return name;
     public void setName(String name) {
     this.name = name;
}}
```

REAPI with JSF Step 3 - Create JSF page



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?><!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
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                                                xmlns:h="http://java.sun.com/jsf/html">
                                                 <h:head>
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                                                 </h:head>
                                                 <h:body>
                                                                                                  <h3>Enter Country</h3>
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                                                                                                                                                   </h:inputText>
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                                                 <h:outputText value="#{birtBean.report}" escape="false"/>
                                                 </h:form>
</h:body></html>
http://localhost:8080/JSF 2/
```

REAPI with JSF





BIRT Viewer Toolkit (BVT)



New product for use with open-source (OS) BIRT. BVT is available for download at developer.actuate.com

Key Features:

- It's FREE!
- It uses the Actuate Viewer (Built on OS Viewer)
 - More modern look and feel
 - More seamless parameter entry screen
 - Calendar date-picker
- It's built on the latest BIRT version (4.3)
- Includes JavaScript API (JSAPI) AJAX library for easier integration into applications of all types.
- BVT Webinar:

Title: Introducing the Free BIRT Viewer Toolkit - Enhance the Way Your Users View

BIRT Designs

Duration: 30 minutes

Location: Available for download at developer.actuate.com

Running Reports with BVT



The URLs used with the OS viewer can still be used with BVT.

With viewer toolbar, pagination, etc.:

http://localhost:8080/BVT/frameset? report=tableReport.rptdesign

As a straight HTML output:

http://localhost:8080/BVT/run? report=SD.rptdesign

Output to PDF:

http://localhost:8080/BVT/frameset?__report=tableReport.rptdesign&__format=pdf

To display a single report item as a reportlet:

http://localhost:8080/BVT/run? report=SD.rptdesign& bookmark=myChart

Parameterized report with date picker:

http://localhost:8080/BVT/frameset? report=DynamicParameter.rptdesign

BVT and JSAPI



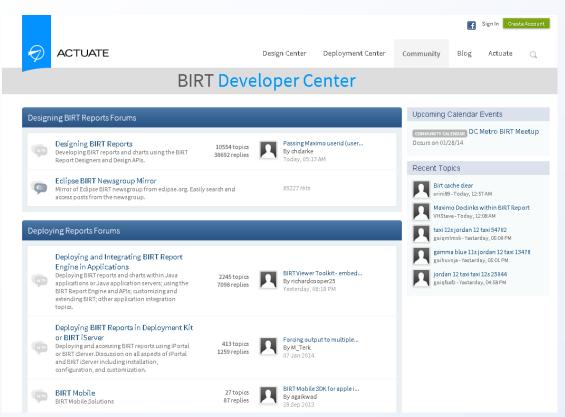
```
<html><head>
  <script type="text/javascript" language="JavaScript"</pre>
             src="http://localhost:8080/BIRTViewerToolkit/jsapi"></script>
</head>
<body onload="init();">
  <div id="myDivContainer" style="border-width: 1px; border-style: solid;"></div>
  <script type="text/javascript" language="JavaScript">
     var myViewer;
     function init() {
        actuate.load("viewer");
        actuate.initialize( "http://localhost:8080/BIRTViewerToolkit/", null, "administrator", "", createViewer);
     function createViewer() {
        myViewer = new actuate.Viewer( "myDivContainer" );
        myViewer.setReportName("/reports/TableReport.rptdesign");
        myViewer.submit();
  </script>
</body></html>
Live Example: http://localhost:8080/BVT/JSAPIReport.html
```

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- Enables developers to be more productive and build applications faster



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- Applications

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Questions?



Creating Data Driven Web Apps with BIRT Michael Williams mwilliams@actuate.com



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