

Business Intelligence & Reporting Tools (BIRT) Demonstration Script

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Classic Models Sample Data



- Company sells model automobiles
- Sample data available for download from http://www.eclipse.org/BIRT
- BIRT v1.0.1
 - JDK 1.4.2, Runtime Eclipse 3.1, GEF 3.01, EMF 2.1
- MySQL database acts as data source

Classic Models Intranet Portal



- Product Catalog
 - Grouped by Product Category
- Stock Price of Classic Models
 - Uses a CSV file as a data source; one additional row defines the data type of each column
 - Groups data by Year and Month; for each month it draws a price and volume chart by day
- Employee Lookup
 - MySQL data source
 - Allows the user to search by last name and specify the first few characters of the last name
- Sales by office
 - Groups by office code and reports on the products sold, the amount sold and customer sold to
 - Pie chart summarizes sales by office
- Sales by product
 - Groups by product line
 - Lists qty in stock, total qty ordered
- Top selling products
 - Groups by product line
 - Lists in descending order of revenue by product line
- Sales invoice
 - For invoice order number presents customer details, order details, line items in the order
- Customer payments
 - Lists customers, their orders, the amount of each order and amount paid
- Account Managers
 - Lists employees and the customers they are assigned to

Top Selling Products Report Components



- Header (Grid)
 - Image, Text
- Pie Chart summary of revenue by product line
 - Data Set grouped by Product Line with Total Revenue for each line
- List of products sorted in decreasing order of revenue generated
 - Data Set grouped by Product Name, Total Revenue for each line
- Styles for various elements (table header, body, etc.)

Steps in BIRT Report Creation



- 1. Create a BIRT Project
- 2. Create a New Report
- 3. Specify a Data Source
- 4. Define Data Sets
- 5. Define the Report Layout
- 6. Format the Report
- 7. Deploy the Report to Tomcat

1. Create a BIRT Project



- 1. Bring up Eclipse
- 2. Specify location in file system of workspace
- 3. File -> New -> Project
- Select Business Intelligence and Reporting Tools-> Report
 Project
- 5. Give project name (<<< Fill In project name >>>)

2. Create a New Report



- 1. File -> New -> Report
- 2. Select project name (parent folder)
- 3. Specify report file name (.rptdesign file)
- 4. Press Next
- 5. Select Report Template

3. Specify a Data Source



- Select Data Explorer View
- 2. Right mouse click on Data Sources; select New Data Source
- 3. Select JDBC Data Source
- 4. Specify Data Source Name (<<< Fill In Name >>>)
 - com.mysql.jdbc.Driver (v3.1)
 - jdbc:mysql://localhost/classicmodels
 - root (no password)
- 5. Specify jar file for MySQL Connector J
- 6. Test connection

4. Define Data Sets



- 1. Select Data Explorer View
- 2. Right mouse click on Data Sets; select New Data Set
- 3. Specify Data Set Name; select Data Source
- 4. Specify SQL statement
- 5. Preview data

5. Define the Report Layout



- Grid for Header Elements
- Grid for Chart
- Table for Data Set

6. Format the Report



- Format header elements
- Define & apply table styles for header and body elements

7 Deploy to Tomcat



- Copy over .rptdesign file to webapps/BIRT
- Copy over MySQL jar files to webapps/BIRT/WEB-INF/lib
- Edit index.jsp file
- Test file