

Crystal Reports 2013: Part 2

Course Summary

Description

Until now, you have used Crystal Reports to build and modify reports. You want to use the advanced functionality of Crystal Reports to generate reports in the format you desire. In this course, you will create complex reports and data sources using the tools in Crystal Reports 2013. You will not only create more sophisticated reports including subreports and cross-tabs, but you will also increase the speed and efficiency of your reports by using SQL queries.

Even though you are familiar with Crystal Reports, you may take some time to study its various tools that enable you to generate reports with the desired data using advanced methods such as SQL querying. This way, you won't be slowed down by large databases or databases with which you are unfamiliar. By creating subreports, cross-tabs, and running totals, you will turn raw data into meaningful customized reports that will help your business run more smoothly. If you work with large databases, you may find yourself faced with performance issues. In this course, you will also learn to use tools that can increase the speed with which data is retrieved.

Objectives

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Create automatic and manual running totals.
- Work with cross-tab reports.
- Add subreports.
- Create drill-downs in a report.
- Use SQL statements in report processing.
- Create complex formulas.
- Add charts to reports.
- Enhance report functionality.

Topics

- Creating Running Totals
- Working with Cross-Tabs
- Adding Subreports
- Creating Drill-Downs in a Report
- Using SQL Statements in Report Processing
- Creating Complex Formulas
- Adding Charts to Reports
- Enhancing Report Functionality
- Appendix A: Managing Reports
- Appendix B: Processing Data on the Server
- Appendix C: Detecting and Fixing Problems

Audience

This course is designed for people who know how to create basic list and group reports and need to create reports that include subreports, cross-tabs, advanced formulas, and charts based on more than one data series. They may or may not have programming and/or SQL experience.

Prerequisites

To ensure your success, knowledge of programming and/or SQL would also be helpful. You can also take the following course:

- *Crystal Reports 2013: Part 1*

Duration

Two days

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Course Outline

- I. Creating Running Totals**
 - A. Create a Running Total Field
 - B. Modify a Running Total Field
 - C. Create a Manual Running Total
- II. Working with Cross-Tabs**
 - A. Create a Cross-Tab Report
 - B. Format a Cross-Tab Report
 - C. Create Groups in Cross-Tab Reports
- III. Adding Subreports**
 - A. Insert a Subreport
 - B. Edit a Subreport
 - C. Share Variables
- IV. Creating Drill-Downs in a Report**
 - A. Create a Drill-Down
 - B. Create Headings for Drill-Down Data
- V. Using SQL Statements in Report Processing**
 - A. Create a Report Using SQL Queries
 - B. Summarize Report Data
 - C. Create Joins Using SQL
 - D. Create Subqueries
 - E. Create an SQL Expression Field
- VI. Creating Complex Formulas**
 - A. Work with Loops
 - B. Work with Arrays
- VII. Adding Charts to Reports**
 - A. Create Charts
 - B. Create a Chart with a Drill-Down
 - C. Create a Top N Chart
 - D. Create a Cross-Tab Chart
 - E. Create Charts for Grouped Data
 - F. Format a Chart
 - G. Create a Chart Template
- VIII. Enhancing Report Functionality**
 - A. Organize Data Based on a Hierarchy
 - B. Create a Dynamic Image
 - C. Create a Report Alert
 - D. Create a Geographic Map
- IX. Appendix A: Managing Reports**
- X. Appendix B: Processing Data on the Server**
- XI. Appendix C: Detecting and Fixing Problems**