Dbedit

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Editing a database with Dbedit

Dbedit uses simple commands to perform these editing operations:

- listing entries
- adding an entry
- modifying an entry
- deleting an entry



- applying global changes to entries
- It can work on chains of entries or related entries
- It can modify key items

How can Dbedit help me with my work?

- Dbedit is useful in many ways
 - Debugging programs
 - Fixing bad data
 - Building prototype databases



Accessing Dbedit

- □ Step 1: Run Suprtool
- □ Step 2: Use the BASE command to open a database
- □ Step 3: Use the EDIT command to start Dbedit

:run suprtool.pub.robelle
>base store.pub
>edit
{Dbedit prompt}

Dbedit is built into Suprtool

Dbedit is a Suprtool component that functions independently

Dbedit commands:

#form sets
#list m-customer
#modify d-sales;updatekey
#add d-inventory
#delete
#change m-product
#exit



Finding an entry with a known key

□ Use LIST *setname* and specify a key value at the prompt

#list m-customer

```
List in File: M-CUSTOMER

CUST-ACCOUNT >10020_____

CITY = Surrey CREDIT-RATING = 200000

CUST-ACCOUNT = 10020 CUST-STATUS = 20

NAME-FIRST = Walley NAME-LAST = Nisbet

STATE-CODE = BC

STREET-ADDRESS = 8877-149th Street

(2)

POSTAL-CODE = V3T4W2

List in File: M-CUSTOMER

CUST-ACCOUNT > ____Prompts for next value_____
```

Finding a chain of entries

□ Use LIST *setname* to specify a chain of entries

#list d-sales

List in File:			
CUST-ACCOUN	T >1002		
PRODUCT-N	0 >	_{press return to omit}	
CUST-ACCOUNT	= 10020	DELIV-DATE	= 19971-04
PRODUCT-NO	= 50511501	PRODUCT-PRICE	= 9831
PURCH-DATE	= 19971000	SALES-QTY	= 2
SALES-TAX	= 2753	SALES-TOTAL	= 22415
CUST-ACCOUNT	= 10020	DELIV-DATE	= 19971028
PRODUCT-NO	= 50512501	PRODUCT-PRICE	= 14660
PURCH-DATE	= 19971028	SALES-QTY	= 1
SALES-TAX	= 2052	SALES-TOTAL	= 16712
List in File: D	-SALES		
CUST-ACCOUN	T >	{press return to end}_	

How can I change the search key?

 Use the KEY option to specify a different key and alter the search path



PRODUCT-NO

>_____

What if I don't know the key value?

□ Use the ALL option to sequentially display all the entries in a dataset

#list m-customer;all

s in File: M-CUST = Vancouver	OMER CREDIT-RATING	= 200000
		= 20
-	NAME-LAST	= Humphreys
= #403-1075 Como	X	
= V5T1H6		
= Coquitlam	CREDIT-RATING	= 200000
$= 10\bar{0}14$	CUST-STATUS	= 20
= Elizabeth	NAME-LAST	= Welton
= BC		
= 2788 Oxtoby Pl	ace	
	<pre>= Vancouver = 10010 = Wayne = BC = #403-1075 Como = V5T1H6 = Coquitlam = 10014 = Elizabeth = BC</pre>	<pre>= 10010 CUST-STATUS = Wayne NAME-LAST = BC = #403-1075 Comox = V5T1H6 = Coquitlam CREDIT-RATING = 10014 CUST-STATUS = Elizabeth NAME-LAST</pre>

Listing related entries from other datasets

The RELATED option with the LIST command searches for entries in the selected dataset and in related datasets

 If a master dataset is specified, Dbedit retrieves a master entry and then goes through the paths to detail sets #list m-customer;related

 If a detail dataset is specified, Dbedit retrieves a detail chain, then goes through the paths from master sets
 #list d-sales;related

Changing a noncritical field

Use the MODIFY command to change the values of noncritical fields in a record

#modify d-inventory : unit-cost

- Modify within File: D-INVENTORY
 - SUPPLIER-NAME>STD RibbonsPRODUCT-NO>105391

Enter new values(or <Return> to leave as is):

- SUPPLIER-NAME = STD Ribbons
- PRODUCT-NO = 105391
- UNIT-COST = 500

_ {enter new unit cost}

How can I modify a critical field?

Use the UPDATEKEY option to modify critical items

#modify d-inventory;updatekey

Modify within File: d-inventory
SUPPLIER-NAME > * {no new value}
PRODUCT-NO > {press Return to omit}
Enter new values (or <Return> to leave as is):
SUPPLIER-NAME = STD Ribbons
STD Ribbon {new key value}



Can I make a global change to a field?

If you need to change a field value in the entire dataset, use the CHANGE command

#change m-supplier Enter existing key value to find: SUPPLIER-NAME ><u>ACME</u> Enter new key value to replace with: SUPPLIER-NAME ><u>ACME SUPPLY</u> SUPPLIER-NAME = ACME CITY = Los Angeles STATE-CODE = CA STREET(1) = 100 Main STREET(2) = ZIP-CODE = 91201

OK to change this entry[no]:Y

Subcommands in Dbedit

- In response to the Dbedit prompt for a field value, you can use the following subcommands:
 - * No new value
 - ? Display the TurboIMAGE format or field
 - // Quit the command
 - \\ Quit the command
 - Ctrl-Y Quit the command



- [Treat rest of line as data, not as subcommand
 - Set this field to all blanks (batch use)
- = Execute a calculator command

Moving around in a field list

□ Try these subcommands to move to other entries in a field list:

- >> Go to the end of the field list
- < Go to the beginning of the list
- >3 Go three fields forward in the list
- < 3 Go three fields back in the list

@ fieldname Go to the fieldname



Adding new entries to a dataset

Use the ADD command to insert a new record into a dataset

```
#add m-supplier
Add to File: M-SUPPLIER
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SUPPLIER-NAME >ACME CITY >Los Angeles STATE-CODE >CA STREET(1) >100 Main STREET(2) >_____ {pr ZIP-CODE >91201



```
{press Return to omit}
```

How can I delete an entry?

□ It's easy to remove an entry using the DELETE command

#delete m-supplier
Delete from File: M-SUPPLIER
SUPPLIER-NAME > ACME
SUPPLIER-NAME = ACME CITY = Los Angeles
STATE-CODE = CA STREET(1) = 100 Main
STREET(2) = ZIP-CODE = 91201

Is this the entry to delete[no]: \mathbf{Y}



MPE/iX Critical Item Update (CIU)

- CIU allows programs to modify critical search and sort fields in detail datasets using DBUPDATE
- □ By default, IMAGE databases have CIU disabled
- Dbedit requires CIU for the CHANGE command and the UPDATEKEY option with the MODIFY command
- Two ways to enable CIU
 - 1. set *basename* ciupdate = on
 - 2. set *basename* ciupdate = allowed

General guidelines

- Dbedit works best on single entries or chains of entries
- Dbedit uses keyed access, but serial access can be specified with the LIST ALL command
- □ All Dbedit commands support the asterisk (*) subcommand
- □ All commands support a restrictive field list
- □ A semicolon (;) separates a command from its options



□ Like a text editor for dataset entries

□ ADD, CHANGE, DELETE, LIST, MODIFY

Updating key values

