### Side-by-Side subfiles

LOAD 'N' GO

# **Side-by-Side Subfiles**

Display two subfiles side by side on a green screen

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OR A PROGRAM I RECENTLY WROTE, I needed to be able to show two subfiles side by side. As this can't be done conventionally with DDS, I looked at my books and the available literature to see what techniques are available.

The first of the two techniques I came across was to simulate subfiles by using a conventional, non-subfile display format with repeating lines and all the data held in a multiple-occurrence data structure. Although this approach could look good from the user perspective, the programming is not elegant.

The second technique involved having each subfile in a separate window and using a function key to toggle between the windows. This approach is easier on the programming but harder on the users.

Neither of these approaches suited my need, so I developed the technique that I explain in this article. I believe this method has uses beyond the example I explore here.

duplicate records for the record selected on the left-side window. This will become clearer as I explain what the users see and what actions they can take.

When the program first loads, the window on the left side of the screen shows a list, starting from the beginning, of the "original" customer records identified. The first record in the subfile is highlighted, and the top section of the window shows the full name and address details of the customer record highlighted.

The window on the right may have one or more records showing in the subfile; these are the duplicates identified for the highlighted record on the left. The first record on the right is also highlighted, and the full name and address of this record appear in the top part of that window. So what the users see are the original and the first duplicate of the first customer record identified.

If you page down, the left-side subfile loads and shows the next set of records, and the highlighted record now appears on the top record of the second page. At the top of the screen appear the full address details of this newly highlighted record. The window on the right also changes to match this record. This window now shows the duplicate(s) of the record on the left, with the top record highlighted and its full details in the top portion of the window.

If you now use F13, the highlighter moves down a record. The right side now changes to match this record. Note that the right window always reflects the record selected by the highlight on the left side of the window.

#### The Problem

To understand why I wanted something different, let me first explain the problem. Then, I'll explain how my solution appears from the users' perspective.

As part of a small package I was developing, I had a batch process that identified potential duplicate customer records (or multiple duplicates) and wrote details of them to a file. I needed a screen program to review this file of duplicated records. On the left side, I wanted to see the list of "original" customers; on the right side, for a selected "original" customer, I wanted to see the one or more duplicate records identified by the batch process. (In this article, I show a simplified version of the program so the source isn't cluttered up by irrelevant coding.)

The screen is split into three windows (Figure 1). At the top is a short window across the whole width with just the titles. The left side of the screen has a second window showing the "original" customer records. The third window on the right is similar to the second and shows the list of



FIGURE I
Green screen with side-by-side subfiles

If you continue to use F13, you eventually get to the bottom of the page, after which a new page is loaded with the highlight on the first record of this third page.

F14 works in a similar manner but moves the highlight back through the list one record at a time, moving over a page when required until the start of the list is reached.

F23 and F24 work one record at a time in a similar manner to F13 and F14, but they're used for controlling the highlighted record on the right side of the screen. Hopefully, there would only be one or two records here, but the program will work with more than one page full should the need arise.

F10 is for when you want to process a highlighted pair of records. Here, another program is called with the customer numbers of both the original and duplicate records passed to it. This program displays another window, which is placed under the full name and address and gives the user the opportunity to decide on a course of action.

Note that there is no "X" in the box selection; therefore, there is no input into either of the subfiles. All records are selected by using the function keys to move a pointer (in this case, a highlight) to the desired records.

How is this achieved? First I'll walk you through the DDS; then, I'll give an overview of the program before examining the code in more depth.

#### The DDS

I'll start the examination of the DDS (Figure 2) from the bottom as this approach matches more closely the order in which the records are written.

Format #7WND is a failsafe window for when there is no data in the file.

#5CTL is a subfile control record for the subfile on the right side of the screen; this record also defines the window that it sits in. WDWTITLE is used to give some function key assignments at the bottom of the window, but you'll notice that there are no function keys defined to this format, nor are there any input-capable fields.

#4SFL is the associated subfile; this

FIGURE 2
Sample application DDS

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WAJI26D Version 1.0 Date 21-02-2003
WAJ026D Version 1.0 As at 03-08-2002
Paul Morris, Welwyn Support Services Ltd.
2002-2003 Welwyn Support Services Ltd.
     Display File
Based on
     Author -
Copyright (C) -
Project ID -
                                   Duplicate customer review iSeries NEWS version
      Function
Modifications
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DSPATR(H1)
0 10 22REFFLD(SLRØ5/CAD1Ø5 *LIBL/CUSNAMES)
DSPATR(H1)
SFLCTL(#ZSFL)
SFLSTZ(Ø144)
SFLPAGCØ01Ø1
WINDOW(3 2 20 36 *NOMSGLIN)
OVERLAY
SFLDSP
SFLDSPCTL
SFLEIR
                     R #2SFL
CUSN#2
CNAM#2
      34
                        CADD#2
      34
                     R #3CTL
    N31
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                                                                        WDWBORDER((*CHAR ' || | |'))
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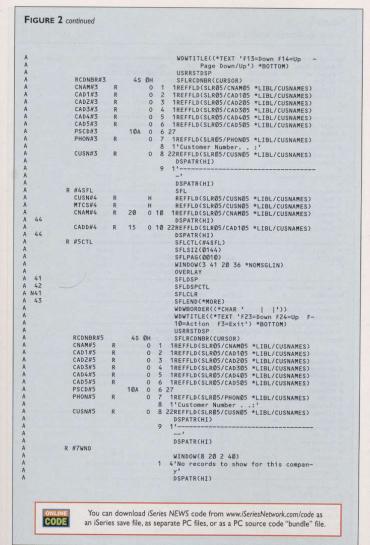
has a hidden field holding the customer number. Note that this format also has no input fields, but it does have an indicator for controlling the HIGH-LIGHT keyword. The lack of input fields and function keys is because the window is output only with a WRITE. There is no associated EXFMT; the program, and not the user, controls what this window does.

#3CTL and #2SFL are the subfile control and the subfile for the window on the left side of the screen. These are very similar to #5CTL and #4SFL in that there are no input fields or func-

tion keys assigned. Again, this is controlled by the program, not the user.

If you look at the window parameters for these two windows, you'll notice they slightly overlap each other. This is to maximize the width of the windows for the data (by having only one line down the center of the screen).

The first format, #1WND, is the title format. It has the function key assignments that control the operation of the program. Notice that the page keys are defined and used just as any other function keys are; they don't control the subfiles directly. (I could



have chosen another pair of function keys, but that would have made the user interface rather clumsy.)

Finally, a word about these windows: They each have USRRSTDSP defined. This is to stop the system from saving the windows; I take direct control of what happens in the program.

#### The Program

The program starts off by loading the first 10 records in the subfile on the left. It sets a "current record" pointer to 1 to indicate this is the highlighted record. It then chains back to the

"current record" in the subfile for three reasons:

- 1. To highlight the record.
- To get the customer number, which is then used to get the full details from the customer record and display these details in the control format.
- 3. To use this customer number to get the duplicate records, which are then loaded into the subfile on the right.

The loading of the subfile on the right

sets a "right side current record" pointer to 1, and in a similar manner on the left side, it highlights the current record and gets the address details.

The windows are written in the following order: first #5CTL, then #3CTL, and then finally the #1WND is output with an EXFMT.

The next action is dependent on the function key taken. If F23 or F24 is used, the "right side current record" pointer is incremented or decremented, the highlight is removed from the old record and added to the new record, and the full address details in the top part of the window are updated.

Similarly, if F13 or F14 is taken, the pointer for the left side is incremented or decremented, the left highlight is removed and placed on the new record, and the full address details are placed in the top part. In addition, the subfile on the right is refreshed to show the duplicates of this newly highlighted record.

Page down and page up work in a similar manner to F13 and F14, but the pointer changes by 10 records instead of 1. The program checks for the end of the subfile (this is done for F13 and F14 as well), and more records are loaded if this is required.

I don't put out a message for trying to roll beyond either end of the subfile. This is for simplicity and because you don't get a message in Windows programs if you try to page beyond the end of a document.

Before I go into the details, I'll explain how I construct the read loops for page-at-a-time subfiles. I always read ahead so that the last record read is not output to the screen at that time; rather, it sets a condition on the SFLEND indicator. The next group of reads for a subfile starts by outputting this last record before reading from the database.

#### Code Details

Now let's look at the code in Figure 3. For both subfiles, we need to track where the highlight (i.e., the current record) is and the next record we wish to highlight. The program does this by tracking the RRN number of the

appropriate records in the subfile. For the left-side subfile, DSPRRN holds the record number of the record we are moving to, and DSPRRNPRV holds the record we are moving from. Similarly, DSPRRNR and DSPRRNR PRV hold the records for the right-side subfile.

The #INIT subroutine, in a call to STARTALL, loads up and writes both subfiles with the first set of records and outputs the header format. This subroutine also allows for no data being present.

#MAIN is the processing loop that processes the function keys. It sets the record number to display and then calls other subroutines to perform the action.

STARTALL is the routine called from the #INIT that initializes and loads the subfiles. It is written as a separate subroutine to allow for additional code to be added that enables the starting point to be selected. (I've removed this code for this simplified version.) Notice that STARTALL sets DSPRRN to 1 and DSPRRNPRV to 0 because there is no previous record to "unhighlight."

NEXTGRP is a read routine that gets the next 10 records and writes them to the subfile format for the leftside subfile. As a customer may have one or more records in the input file, this subroutine selects the first record for each customer. A flag, LEFTEOF, is used to mark that EOF has been reached. Notice that this subroutine is reading ahead and always has one record left in the buffer that has not been moved to the display (unless we are at EOF).

READLEFT reads the records from the database. Because this function is kept in a separate subroutine, it's easier to add selection rules.

LEFTHDR is the main workhorse of the program. It first checks to see whether the record number requested is displayable. If we try and move before the start of the subfile, its value is reset to one. If we try to move beyond the end of the subfile, it will either read another group of 10 records or, if we are already at EOF,

FIGURE 3 Sample application source excerpt

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* Author - P	aul Morris, Welwyn	Support Services Ltd.
* Project ID - W	AØØ1	
* Function - D	uplicate customer ( Series NEWS version	n eview
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* Warnings -		
* Dependencies - * Associated progra	ms	
* Service Programs		
* -		
* Modifications	*************	
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* main customer fil Fcusnames if e	e k disk	infsr(*PSSR)
* Matching records Fagmtrcf2 if e	by original custom k disk	ner infsr(*PSSR)
* Matching records	by original and ma	atched customer infsr(*PSSR) prefix(m_)
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* matched records		
c mtrck1	Klist Kfld	m_cusnag
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c	Exsr #exit	
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c	Exsr #exit	
c	Endif	
c	Endsr	
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* Process the disp	olay, actioning the	function keys

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	Exsr	lefthdr
		Left side back 1 Line
	When	*in14
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		Right side forward 1 line
	When	*in23
	Eval	dsprrnr = dsprrnr+1
	Exsr	ritehdr
		Right side back 1 line
	When	*in24
	Eval	dsprrnr = dsprrnr-1
	Exsr	ritehdr
		Left side back 1 page
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	Exsr	dsprrn = dsprrn-10 Lefthdr
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		Left side forward 1 page
	When	*in27
	Eval	dsprrn = dsprrn+10
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keep the pointer at the last record in the subfile.

When all this is done, LEFTHDR chains to the subfile using the previous record number in DSPRRNPRV and removes the highlight. Then, we use the new record number in DSPRRN to chain to the subfile to get the record to highlight. This also retrieves the customer number in a hidden field. The next job is to get the full customer details of this record and place the details in the control format. Finally, for this customer number, the program sets up the right-side window by calling two more subroutines.

LOADRITE uses the customer number of the selected record on the left and performs a "load all" of the subfile on the right. This reads, via a logical file, the duplicate records for the customer selected on the left. As with the left-side subfile, it keeps track of the highlights by the record numbers in fields DSPRRNR and DSPRRNP RVR. These fields are set to 1 and 0 each time the subfile is refreshed.

READRITE, like READLEFT, is a simple read of the duplicate records in a subroutine that allows additional selection logic to be inserted.

RITEHDR, like LEFTHDR, sets up the full address details and controls the highlight using the fields DSPRRNR and DSPRRNPRVR. The routine is simpler than LEFTHDR in that there is no need to check for additional records to read.

PRCMATCH is executed to process the selected pair of records. This calls another program, which is passed the customer numbers of both highlighted records. I won't discuss this program here as its actions don't affect this example program.

To view the DDS of the file for the duplicates and the customer master record, as well as the sources of the called program, retrieve all the code online at www.iSeriesNetwork.com.

#### Multiple Uses

continued

This "point and shoot" method of controlling two subfiles in two windows without having to activate them is a powerful technique. By varying the

method of loading them, we can have possible uses that include

- Cash matching in Accounts
   Receivable. You could load up the
   left window with invoices and the
   right window with credit notes and
   cash. Here, you'd want to be able
   to highlight more than one record
   on either side.
- Service management maintenance contracts. Start off with a list of a customer's equipment on the left and an empty subfile on the right. Then, select items to place on contract and enter them to the subfile on the right.

I hope you agree that this method provides a programming tool that can make us more efficient in our work.

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#### FIGURE 3 continued

```
c Dow not %eof(agmtrcf2)
c and #2Loopcount < 10
* skip subsequent records for this customer
c If cusnsy $\lorer \cusnag$
c Eval cusn\text{05} = cusnag
c Eval cusn\text{05} = cusnag
c Eval cusn\text{05} = cusn\text{05}
c Eval cusn\text{07} = cusn\text{05}
c si\text{05}k1 Chain cusn\text{05}
             st05k1
                                                                       cusnames
not %found(cusnames)
cnam05 = 'Missing Record!!!'
cad405 = '???'
                                                Chain
If
                                               Eval
                                               Eval
Endif
                                               Eval
Eval
                                                                       #2rrn = #2rrn + 1
#2loopcount = #2loopcount +1
*in34 = *off
#2sfl
                                                           of customer check
readleft
                                               Exsr
                                               Enddo
                                                                        %eof(agmtrcf2)
lefteof = 'Y'
*in33 = *on
                                               Eval
                                                                       #2rrnsav = #2rrn
                                               Endsr
      Read a record for the left hand side
In the original version, there was a lot of selection processing,
hence the use of a subroutine
             readleft
                                             Begsr
                                              read
                                                                       agmtrcf2
                                              Endsr
    prepare the detail in the left hand control record (header)
* check that the requested record is displayable, and adjust or get it
c Select
c When dsprrn < 1
c Eval dsprrn = 1
c When dsprrn > #2rrnsav and lefteof = 'N'
c Exsr nextgrp
c When dsprrn > #2rrnsav and lefteof = 'Y'
c Eval dsprrn = #2rrnsav and lefteof = 'Y'
c Eval dsprrn = #2rrnsav
Eval
Update
Endif
                                                                      #2sfL
    set the highlight and load the header details if the requested record has changed

If dsprnnprv \Leftrightarrow dsprnn Chain #2sfl
Eval *in34 = *on
Update #2sfl
Eval cusn05 = cusn#2
            slØ5k1
                                                                     cusnes - cusnes
not *found
cnam05 = 'Missing Record!!!'
cad405 = '???'
                                               Chain
If
                                                                    cusn#3 = cusn#2
cnam#3 = cnam#3
cad#3 = cad*05
pad#3 = pad*05
phom#3 = phom*05
side for the requested record
loadrite
```

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FIGURE 3 continued
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```
ritehdr
                              Exsr
Endif
                                      of dsprrn check
                              Eval dsprrnprv = dsprrn
                              Endsr
 * load right hand side
* This can load 1 or more records for the record highlighted on
* the left
c loadrite
                           subfile
Eval
Eval
Eval
Eval
Eval
 * initialize the
                                             #4rrn = 0
*in43 = *on
*in41 = *off
*in42 = *off
*in43 = *off
                               Write
                                              #5ctl
 m_cusnag = cusn#2
agmtrcla
readrite
                              Eval
setll
       mtrck1
                               Exsr
                                              not %eof(agmtrcla)
cusnB5 = m_mtcsag
cusnH4 = cusnB5
cusnames
not %found(cusnames)
cnam05 = 'Missing Record!!!'
cad405 = '???'
                               Dow
Eval
Eval
Chain
If
Eval
Eval
endif
Eval
Eval
        sL05k1
                                              cnam#4 = cnam05
cadd#4 = cad405
                                              cusn#4 = m_mtcsag
#4rrn = #4rrn + 1
*in44 = *off
#4sfl
readrite
                                Enddo
                               If
Eval
Endif
                                               %eof(agmtrcla)
*in43 = *on
                               Eval
Eval
Eval
                                               #4rrnsav = #4rrn
dsprrnr = 1
dsprrnrprv = 0
                               Endsr
   * read a matching record that satisfies the parameters
* In the original version, there was a lot of selection processing,
* hence the use of a subroutine
          readrite
                               Begsr
          mtrck1
                                             agmtrcla
                               reade
                                Endsr
    * prepare the detail in the right hand control record (header)
         ritehdr
                                Begsr
   * check that the requested record is displayable, and adjust

Select

Mhen dsprrnr < 1

When dsprrnr = 1

When dsprrnr > #4rrnsav

Eval dsprrnr = dsprrnr - 1

Endsl
   Chain
Eval
Update
Endif
                                                #4sfl
```

```
* set the highlight and load the header details if the * requested record has changed
                                                    dsprrnrprv ⇔ dsprrnr
#4sfl
*in44 = *on
#4sfl
cusn@5 = cusn#4
                                  If
Chain
Eval
        dsprrnr
                                   Update
Eval
                                   Chain
If
                                                     cusnames
not %found(cusnames)
cnam05 = 'Missing Record!!!'
cad405 = '???'
        s105k1
                                   Eval
                                   Eval
Endif
                                                     cusn#5 = cusn#4
cnam#5 = cnam#5
cad1#5 = cad1@5
cad2#5 = cad2@5
cad3#5 = cad2@5
cad4#5 = cad3@5
cad5#5 = cad3@5
pscd#5 = pcd@5 + pcd2@5
phon#5 = phon@5
                                   Eval
                                                      dsprrnrprv = dsprrnr
                                                     *in41 = *on
*in42 = *on
*in43 = *on
rcdnbr#5 = dsprrnr
#5ctl
                                   Eval
Eval
Eval
Eval
Write
                                   Endsr
 * Process a matched record
*----
                                   Begsr
        prcmatch
                                                     action = ' '
'WAJI28RB'
Baction
cusn#3
cusn#5
                                    Eval
Call
Parm
Parm
                                    Parm
Write
* Final Exit
                                    Begsr
 * closedown called program
c Eval
c Call
c Parm
c Parm
c Parm
                                                       @action = 'LR'
'WAJI28RB'
                                                       'WAJI28RB'
@action
cusn#3
                                                                                 cusn#5
                                    Eval
Return
                                                       *inlr = *on
                                    Endsr
          *PSSR
                                     Begsr
                                    Dump
                                    Endsr
```