

Something doesn't look right! Tips and Techniques for Troubleshooting Reporting Problems with CA Business Intelligence (CABI) and CA Service Desk Manager (SDM) – Part 1

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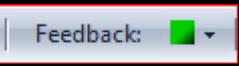
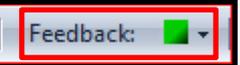
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Meet the CA BI/SDM Subject Matter Experts

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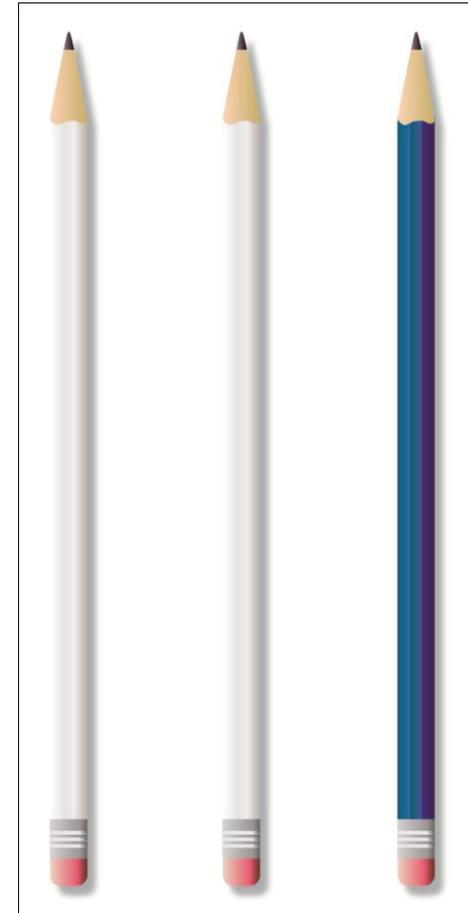
- Principal Support Engineer based in Islandia, NY – USA
- Joined CA Technologies in 2004
- Background in Systems Administration broad technical skills
- Specializes in Configuration, Installation, and Reporting areas
- AS Degree in Computer Science (working on BS)
- RHCT Net+ A+ Microsoft certifications

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Webinar Summary

This step-by-step webinar will illustrate how to troubleshoot key areas of CA Business Intelligence (CABI) r3 for use with Service Desk r12.5/r12.6

- Universe Connection
 - Designer
 - Service Desk
- Integration
 - Post Install Steps
 - BOServlet



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Webinar Objectives

After this webinar module, you will be able to:

- Troubleshoot Universe Issues
- Troubleshoot Integration Issues

Why you need to know:

- Understand CABI Functionality
- Understand CABI interaction with SDM



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Webinar Map

1 Universe Connection - Designer

2 Universe Connection – Service Desk

3 Integration - Post Install Steps

4 Integration - BOServlet

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Case Study - Universe Connections

Scenario

- Universe Connection is the primary link between CA SDM and the CABI system

Problem

- Every environment is different and it can be challenging to get this configured properly and keep it running properly.

Solution

- Learn the key components and the common pitfalls associated with the Connection. Learn what components interact with each other and how to troubleshoot them effectively.

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Universe Connection Details

Universe Connection Check

1. ODBC Data Source Test – Should prompt for username and password
2. Open Universe – File Parameters – Test Connection
3. Perform Table Values on pri (table that has data OOTB)
4. Reconfigure and resave connection if errors are seen.

ODBC Services Check

1. ODBC Data Source Configuration. If error occurs what is the error
2. Check the Server for ODBC Data Access Services status.
3. Check patch level of ODBC Data Access Services
 - A. Problem# 1373 – 12.5 /Jumbo – 12/6 Cum#1 (optional step)
4. Check port for ODBC Data Access Services / netstat or config file

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Virtual Flow of Data when running a report

Each Color in this list can represent a separate physical server.

1. Reports are tied to a Universe
2. Universe is tied to a Universe Connection
3. Universe Connection is configured as a ODBC Data Source.
4. ODBC data source points to a ODBC Server
5. ODBC server connects to a domsrvr
6. Domsrvr talks to bpvirtdb
7. Bpvirtdb talks to a sql agent
8. Sqlagent connects to a SQL database server.

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Universe Connection Demonstration

In the following demonstrations, you will:

- Work on universe connection within Designer
- Work with the Service Desk ODBC Services
- Learn the flow of connectivity
 - Steps taken to resolve any problems



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Integration Case Study

Scenario

- The integration from ServiceDesk into CABI is a powerful tool allowing end user and analysts to run reports from ServiceDesk itself as well as Infoview

Problem

- Every environment is different and it can be challenging to get this configured properly and keep it running properly. Also there are customizations that may be in place that are creating a problem.

Solution

- Learn the key components, functionality and the common pitfalls associated with the Integration. Learn what components interact with each other and how to troubleshoot them effectively.

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Integration Details

Integration Check

1. What Happens?
 - No Reports / Error 404 in Infoview
 - Report with Database Prompts
 - Security Prompts

Checklist

1. ServiceDesk Options – Options Manager > WebReports
2. TrustedPrincipal .conf Working
3. Boxi User Permissions – OOTB has no permission to see reports
4. Servlet URL correct
5. SSL involved?

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Integration Demonstration

In the following demonstrations, you will:

- Work on Universe connection in the Designer
- Work with the Service Desk ODBC Services



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Webinar Summary

You are now able to do the following:

- Identify connection related problems.
- Effectively and efficiently troubleshoot any connection related problems.

Question and Answer Session

- Open Q/A folder
- Lines Unmuted
- Recording stopped
- Presenter answer questions in Q/A folder

Closing

- Thank you, Chris
- Watch for follow up email – link to session survey and session recording
- Additional Education
<http://www.ca.com/us/collateral/learning-paths/na/CA-Service-Desk-Manager-Learning-Paths.aspx>

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