

Unit 2: Discussion

Questions

Identify an Internet site that has a very effective Query-by-Example (QBE) implementation for complex queries (queries made up of multiple attributes/fields, simultaneously executed) to efficiently navigate among the database (as described in the publisher’s Chapters 2 and 9 of a previous edition of our text. QBE is more than just a single word/single phrase search capability found in some web site’s so-called "advanced search" or one field product selection sites in that it is a graphical user interface based query synthesis capability involving many of the database’s attributes/fields simultaneously. Please re-read this to keep from selecting a search site that is not QBE by our definition (be careful in searching the web on this as there are a few bogus [erroneous] definitions of QBE out there - don't get confused on this). Provide the complete URL as a reference so we may all experience it.

Tell us why is this QBE implementation is so effective (what appeals to you about its use)? In addition to the above, to get full credit for your submission, your QBE site must be publicly accessible so that the rest of the class and I can experience the site.

Guide to Follow when Answering Question(s)

POST/REPLY TO THIS DISCUSSION TOPIC THREAD BEFORE 11:59 pm (CST), SUNDAY of this unit. - APPROXIMATELY HALF A PAGE IS A GOOD TARGET (Approximately 200 words comprises a page) You can go it on your own, or piggy-back off someone else's ideas for your answer, but if you piggy-back off someone else's answer, make sure you address all the parts or aspects of the thread question(s) yourself (maximum length of one page, so be concise). Remember to reference your contribution.

Requirements:

- To earn full credit, a discussion topic, issue, or question which you discuss must –
- 1.1 Respond directly to all parts of the discussion topic, issue, or question. You can respond independently, or piggy back off another student’s comments, but you must address all parts of the discussion topic yourself.
- 2.0 Clearly and concisely summarize your answer/position.
- 2.1 Demonstrate critical thinking, be logical, and support arguments with evidence. All answers/positions must be supported by appropriate academic references (worth 20 - 25% of each activity). See the course FAQs on how to properly cite and complete citations from various sources including the text book and the student’s own personal experiences.
- 3.0 Be approximately 150 - 200 words in length.
- 3.1 Post to the Discussion Forum by the due date or late penalty will be imposed (50% penalty for each day late).
- 3.2 Use American Standard English with correct grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, and spelling.
- 4.0 I typically will infrequently join the discussions so as not to intimidate or otherwise bias or constrain the flow of the discussions until toward the end of the discussion or in unit feedback to the students.

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