

# Reduce Subroutine

## Description

Creates a cursor using a filter or applies a filter to an existing cursor.

## Syntax

**Reduce** (*reduce\_script, sort\_list, mode, table\_name, cursorvar, flag*)

## Parameters

The Reduce subroutine has the following parameters.

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<i>reduce_script</i>	<p>Used to pass an expression containing the formatted reduction criteria. The information passed in reduce_script must be formatted as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· All column names must be enclosed in braces { }. · Column names must not have spaces in them. · All constants must be on the right side of the comparison operator and must be enclosed in either single or double quotes. · All comparison operators must be reduced to the primitive set of operators and must be separated by spaces.</li> </ul> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Operator</th><th>Primitive</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Between</td><td>Between</td></tr> <tr><td>Equal to</td><td>EQ</td></tr> <tr><td>Less than</td><td>LT</td></tr> <tr><td>Greater than</td><td>GT</td></tr> <tr><td>Less than or equal to</td><td>LE</td></tr> <tr><td>Greater than or equal to</td><td>GE</td></tr> <tr><td>Not</td><td>Not</td></tr> <tr><td>Starting with</td><td>[</td></tr> <tr><td>Ending with</td><td>]</td></tr> <tr><td>Containing</td><td>[ ]</td></tr> <tr><td>Matches</td><td>Match</td></tr> <tr><td>Range</td><td>From To</td></tr> <tr><td>Sunday</td><td>Sun</td></tr> <tr><td>Monday</td><td>Mon</td></tr> <tr><td>Tuesday</td><td>Tue</td></tr> <tr><td>Wednesday</td><td>Wed</td></tr> <tr><td>Thursday</td><td>Thu</td></tr> <tr><td>Friday</td><td>Fri</td></tr> <tr><td>Saturday</td><td>Sat</td></tr> <tr><td>Today</td><td>Today</td></tr> <tr><td>Yesterday</td><td>Yst</td></tr> <tr><td>Tomorrow</td><td>Tom</td></tr> <tr><td>Next</td><td>Next</td></tr> <tr><td>Last</td><td>Last</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Example Assignments for reduce_script:</p> <pre> reduce_script = "WITH NOT {DATE} EQ '9-23-59'" reduce_script = "WITH {CITY} EQ 'Boston' OR WITH {STATE} EQ 'CA'" reduce_script = "WITH {GRADE_POINT} FROM "2.0" TO "4.0"" reduce_script = "WITH {MAJOR} EQ ' : Quote(major_var) reduce_script := ' AND WITH {MINOR} EQ ' : Quote(minor_var) reduce_script = "WITH {INV_DATE} LT ' : Quote(Date() - 30) reduce_script := ' OR WITH {invoice_amt} GE "1000" reduce_script = "WITH {PHONE} Match "3N-4N"" </pre>	Operator	Primitive	Between	Between	Equal to	EQ	Less than	LT	Greater than	GT	Less than or equal to	LE	Greater than or equal to	GE	Not	Not	Starting with	[	Ending with	]	Containing	[ ]	Matches	Match	Range	From To	Sunday	Sun	Monday	Mon	Tuesday	Tue	Wednesday	Wed	Thursday	Thu	Friday	Fri	Saturday	Sat	Today	Today	Yesterday	Yst	Tomorrow	Tom	Next	Next	Last	Last
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<i>Sort_list</i>	<p>Pass the sort criteria in sort_list. The sort criteria requires the same format as when used in Select ... By. If the program intends to sort, both the call to Reduce and the Select statement must use the same sort_list. Example assignments for sort_list:</p> <pre> sort_list = "CITY" sort_list = "ST" : @FM : "city" sort_list = "#INV_TOTAL" sort_list = "ST" : @FM : "#INV_TOTAL" </pre>																																																		

<i>Mode</i>	Used to pass one of three values:	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Description</b>
	0	Indicates that these are new reduction criteria for an existing cursor.
	1	Indicates that the subroutine should return the results of the reduction in the next available cursor.
	2	Indicates that these are additional criteria for an existing cursor. The new criteria will be joined with a logical And to any previous criteria.
<i>table_name</i>	Used to pass the name of the table to be searched.	
<i>cursorvar</i>	Used to pass a cursor already initialized (Modes 0 and 2) or a cursor to be initialized (Mode 1).	
<i>flag</i>	Returns true if the subroutine was successful and false if unsuccessful.	

## See also

[Select...By](#)

## Example

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Function Reduce_Example(param1)
* The following code provides reduction criteria to a selection of keys
* from CUSTOMERS using Select...By.

Declare Subroutine Reduce, Msg, FsMsg
$Insert Logical

Equ new_exist$ To 0 ; * Reduce Mode 0
Equ next_cur$ To 1
Equ add_exist$ to 2

table_name = "CUSTOMERS"

flag = ""
done = False$
CursorVar = ""

* Clears all cursors
For counter = 0 To 8
    ClearSelect counter
Next counter

sort_list = "STATE"
Reduce_Script = "WITH {STATE} EQ 'NY' OR WITH {STATE} EQ 'CA'"
mode = NEXT_CUR$

Reduce(reduce_script, sort_list, mode, table_name, Cursorvar, flag)
If flag then
    Select table_name By sort_list Using Cursorvar then
        Open table_name To file_var then
            ctr = 0

            Loop
                ReadNext key Using Cursorvar By AT Else done = TRUE$
            Until done
                Read rec From file_var, key then
                    Gosub Processing
                end
            Repeat
        End Else
            FsMsg()
        End
    End Else
        FsMsg()
    end
End Else
    FsMsg()
End
Return ctr

Processing:
    ctr += 1
return

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