



NOAD EQM4: Release Notes

Version 3.1



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INTRODUCTION

This document describes the new features, improvements and fixes that have been implemented in NOAD EQM4 3.x releases.

Please refer to the manuals or help file for the detailed instructions on how to use the new features or changes in existing functions because of improvements or fixes.

NEW FEATURES IN EQM4 3.1

CUSTOM FIELDS

EQM stores standard properties like name, description, modification date, etc. for its objects.

But sometimes you want or need additional information on an object, e.g. Add a change number to every iteration; Add iterations to a release; Add a department to an EQM User; Add the phone number of the Administrator to a repository connection.

Name	Object...	Format	Field Type	Multi Value	Show In ...	Show In G...	Show Hist...	Mandatory
- Object Type: RepositoryConnection								
ab	BI-Server	Repository...	Text	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Object Type: User								
ab	Department	User	Text	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ab	Experienc...	User	PickList	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ab	Location	User	Text	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ab	Phone Nu...	User	+ 099-999...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Object Type: VersionControlIteration								
ab	ChangeR	VersionCo...	Text	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ab	Release	VersionCo...	Text	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

In EQM you can now define additional properties, Custom Fields, you want to store for objects in EQM. Those Custom Fields can be defined for every object in EQM.

SEARCH

In addition to the Find function we introduced a new way of searching for items in EQM. Where the find function allowed you to search for an item based on its name, the search function allows you to find items based on all properties set.

Whether the term you are looking for is part of the name, check-out location, a user group, or a Custom Field EQM will find the term and highlights the results

Name	Field	Value
Bob	User Memb...	Sales Administrators
Kevin	User Memb...	Sales Administrators
Sales Administrators	Name	Sales Administrators
Sales Developers	Name	Sales Developers
Sales Managers	Name	Sales Managers
Sales	Name	Sales
Sales	Name	Sales
Sales	Name	Sales
Customer Address List.wid	Check Out L...	[EQMDEMO][EQM DEMO B01]\Favorit
Customer Per Sales Person.wid	Name	Customer Per Sales Person.wid
Customer Per Sales Person.wid	Name	Customer Per Sales Person.wid
Detailed sales pipeline managem...	Name	Detailed sales pipeline manage
EventFlyer.docx	Check Out L...	[EQMDEMO][File System]C:\Docum
Online Sales.png	Name	Online Sales.png
Online Sales.qvw	Name	Online Sales.qvw
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IMPROVEMENTS IN EQM4 3.1

IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

In some cases, functions like Import, Check-in/out, and Browse in CMS could have high execution times. Also launching the clients and (re)starting the EQM server could take a while. These issues demonstrated especially in larger, distributed deployments, resulting in latency between the various components in the deployment.

In EQM4 3.1 a review of these functions has taken place. Through a redesign, functions in EQM are executed more efficiently and the influence of network latency is heavily reduced.

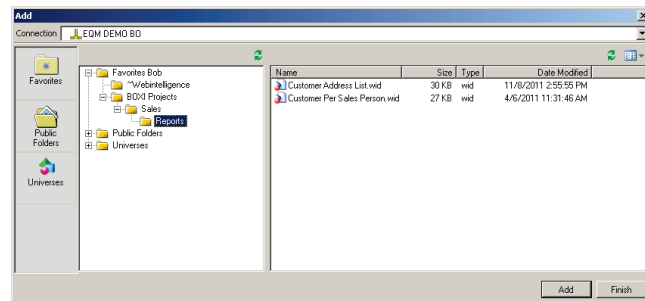
This results in up to 90% reduction in the start time of the EQM Client and Server and up to 40% reduction in execution time of several functions.

(Note: performance gain may vary depending on your EQM deployment and local circumstance)

IMPROVED BROWSE DIALOGUES

The Browse function has been improved. Instead of loading all items from the remote Business Intelligence repository, while browsing, EQM now only loads the folder structure. When selecting a folder the content for that folder is loaded.

The folder structure is now visible allowing you to navigate faster through the repository. It is also possible to refresh a single folder instead of the whole structure.



OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

Focus on iterations

Focus in Iteration and Item History Pane is now on latest iteration. Current iteration is now shown as Bold

“From Source” in deployment wizard

“From Source” for Keywords, Descriptions and Categories added to the Deployment Wizard; this allows you to deploy Keywords, Descriptions and Categories set while developing reports

Export to Clipboard

From the context menu, you can export the content of the EQM panes to your clipboard. This allows you to easily export a list of EQM user, content of a version control folder or your search results to e.g. Excel. This function is available in the context menu under extra

FIXES IN EQM4 3.1

EQM user interface

- Items with #N/A# are no longer loaded and therefore not visible in the clients
- Position of all panes are now persistent after closing the applications (1164)
- It was not possible to clear the cancelled jobs from the Job list (1394)
- When saving an environment to another environment group, the full path is now shown in job description (1687, 1968)
- It was possible to rename a user group to an existing name (1172)

Analyses report

- After deleting a sheet, unchanged sheets did show in the Qlikview difference analyses report (1864)
- Improved the detection of change tab order in the QlikView difference analyses report (1880)

Licenses and permissions

- It was possible to provide full control to a repository connection for users without an administrator license (1696)
- It was possible to provide full control to a usergroup for users without an administrator license (1697)
- It was possible to provide full control to a workflow for users without an administrator license (1699)

NEW FEATURES IN EQM4 3.0

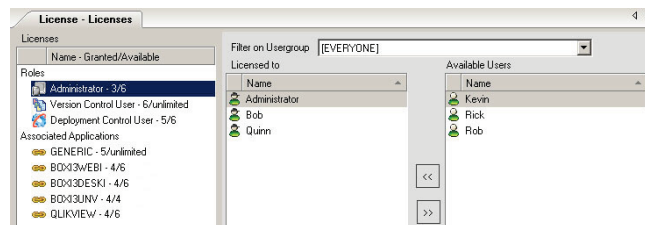
This chapter lists all major enhancements that have been implemented in NOAD EQM4 release 3.0

MANAGE QLIKVIEW AND SAP/BO FROM SINGLE GUI

It's now possible to manage both QlikView documents and SAP/Business Objects universes and documents from a single GUI client.

NEW LICENSING MODEL

The licensing model has been completely redesigned giving you more clear information about the licenses in use for each NOAD EQM4 Client and BI platform that is supported by NOAD EQM4.



AUTO DEPLOYMENT TO MULTIPLE ENVIRONMENTS

Auto deployment enables you to automatically (re)deploy new iterations to multiple environments to which the item was already deployed; instead of executing separate deploys for each environment you can now just start one deployment. Auto Deploy will speed-up the deployment process by reducing the amount of screens in the deployment wizard.

IMPROVEMENTS IN EQM4 3.0

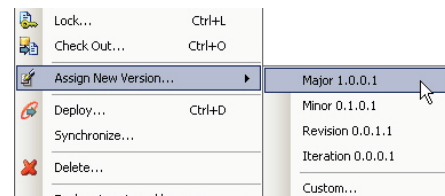
IMPROVE EQM4 REPORTS ON QLIKVIEW

NOAD EQM4 version 3.0 comes with improved Audit reports for QlikView such as enhanced Difference Analysis and Structure & Definitions and a new Health check report.

VERSIONING

In the context menu, the Assign New Version function menu now shows the possible version numbers.

There is an extra permission 'Allow Free Versioning' bounded to the Assign Version permission. When someone has Allow Free Versioning, he can choose between strict versioning and free versioning in the Assign New Version dialog.



The option to set Strict or Free Versioning in the EQM Server Configuration is removed and replaced the Allow Free Versioning permission.

CHECK-OUT OF ITEMS IN DIFFERENT TIME ZONES

New option (Check In file) added to the Check In Wizard to support developers working in different time zones. When the Check In Wizard finds a file that is older than the latest Iteration, EQM will show 3 options:

- Leave file, keep Checked Out
- Perform an Undo Check Out
- Check In the file

ABILITY TO CANCEL SCHEDULED TASKS

It's now possible to cancel tasks until they actually start to run on the EQM4 Server. This enables Customers to cancel individual scheduled tasks.

OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

Analyses Reports

All Analyses Reports from EQM Version Control are now also available in Deployment Control.

Flash & Xcelsius support

You are now able to Import, Edit and Deploy Xcelsius and Flash applications to BO CMS.

WebI Rich Client

Use of personal data providers in WebI Rich Client is now supported.

QlikView Publisher

Automatic postpone deploy of QlikView reports, that are currently being refreshed by the QlikView Publisher. This will prevent Publisher to overwrite the new version with the previous.

FIXES IN EQM4 3.0

Difference Analyses

Due to the replacement of difference analyses functionality, the analyses have been approved. Through this incorrectly reported changes are reduced.

Deployment relations not shown when performing a delete

Now Deployment relations are shown. Also a different overview is shown of the Item to be deleted when double clicking a row in the Warnings pane.

Change Destination for Deployment Path is not stored in the database

AD User created while log-in failed

User(Alias) will no longer be created if AD login for new user fails.

Context of DP restore does not show in Audit report

Environment not shown in audit detail on transfer

Unable to import universes with a . in the name

EQM is now able to import universes with a . in the name.

Cannot re-import a Universe when the original connection does not exist

Browse to Qlikview repository engine sometimes browses to local file system.

Move events in Workflow

It is now possible to move Events from one state to another without losing permissions set for the Event at Environment level.