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R:BASE 11 combines pure performance and high-tech features with a practical interface for users of all levels. R:BASE 11 users can achieve peak productivity to overachieve, outperform, and over-deliver on data management goals.

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First Edition

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- 1. Updated GUI for latest operating systems
- 2. New database stored static variables
- 3. Enhanced **NOTE** data type to hold up to 10,000 characters
- 4. New Table Wizard (32 available business/personal templates
- New Trace Prompt toolbar where any R:BASE command may be executed from the Trace Debugger
- Added EXCEPT clause for the SELECT ALL command, to exclude a subset of columns from a query
- 7. New Aztec Code 2-Dimensional Barcode type added to Report/Label Designer
- 8. Added **CREATE INDEX** support for NOT NULL (partial) indexes, where the index is populated with references to rows where the column value is not NULL
- Added support for temporary tables that are stored in memory, instead of a temporary file.
 In memory tables may be created with the CREATE TABLE, INTERSECT, JOIN, PROJECT, SUBTRACT, and UNION commands.
- 10. Added support to import OpenOffice spreadsheet (.ods) files
- New NULLSET command to set variable values to NULL for individual variables, or a variable list
- 12. Print Preview includes an optional Report Outline for quickly referencing data in large reports
- 13. New **CVAL('LAST_MOD')** function to return the date and time stamp (text) for the last modification made to the database data
- 14. Enhanced Data Browser Update Query utility with a Query History to retain table queries
- 15. Redesigned Data Dictionary utility
- 16. Added "Save" button when searching for text in EEPs, object properties, and expressions, where each module may be saved individually
- Enhanced RBTI_TIMEOUT variable functionality to execute a routine in the form of a command file, RUN SELECT, or CALL to a stored procedure when a TIMEOUT occurs
- 18. New **FISHER** statistical function to return the Fisher transformation
- 19. New Find in list Filter to search for items within the Database Explorer work space
- 20. Enhanced **INSERT** and **LOAD** commands with the ability to enable rebuilding of non-constraint indexes "after" rows are added, rather than row-by-row
- 21. New Value toolbar where a control's caption/text can be edited directly from the toolbar
- 22. New database comments
- 23. Added ability to roll back unwanted changes to variable definitions (one variable at a time) in the Expression Builder
- 24. Enhanced **PROJECT** command with **EXCEPT** parameter support to specify columns that will not be included in the projected table
- 25. Added multi-selection (click and drag lassoing) with group moving of tables/views in the Query Wizard
- 26. New RANKAVG statistical function to return the statistical rank of a given value
- 27. Increased size limit to 30,000 characters (was 10,000) for the **SELECT...LISTOF** function return value
- 28. Added "Save EEP To Folder" menu option for Forms, Reports, Labels, and External Forms where the EEP code for the selected objects may be saved to a folder
- 29. Enhanced Font dialog for designers, with font type preview and color customization
- 30. Added image support for the Advanced Rich Text control's Mail Merge feature in reports/labels
- 31. Enhanced column name search where a specific column may be filtered within a list, to quickly locate the column name
- 32. Enhanced **RBBEDIT** command to support editing BLOB data directly from a SELECT query
- 33. Support for local variables within MDI forms
- 34. New **PARSESEMI** setting which controls the parsing of semi colon characters in the processing of ampersand variables
- 35. Enhanced Color Editor dialog for background/foreground colors, object properties, and in other areas were a color may be selected
- New CVAL('LAST_SCHEMA_MOD') function to return the date and time stamp (text) for the last modification made to the database schema

- 37. Added Data Dictionary incremental search when pressing the forward slash key [/] to display the Find dialog
- 38. Added "EEP Quick Edit" menu option for Forms, Reports, Labels, and External Forms where the object's EEPs may be reviewed and modified without having to open the object in the designer
- 39. Added support to export data to OpenOffice Text Document (.odt) files
- 40. Enhanced Existing tab of the Form Designer Object List toolbar to list the control hierarchy according to the tab order
- 41. New **NUMROUND** setting which rounds any excess scale digits for numeric data types
- 42. Added right click menu option to copy highlighted text while debugging code in the Trace Debugger
- 43. New **DBCONN** command which displays all applications (application, path, and file name) with connections to the connected database
- 44. Added nesting support for R:BASE Editor for Custom EEPs and actions allowing editing/browsing of other EEPs without leaving the current editor session
- 45. Added Database Explorer column for Views, listing the table/view source that each view is comprised of
- 46. Support to directly edit a stored procedure's code from the Database Explorer
- 47. Enhanced **SELECT... LISTOF(ColName)** function to support up to 10,000 characters
- 48. Improved Form Designer Tab Order settings window in tabular format
- 49. New **RESET** command to retain the date/time for tables and views when generating structure information with the UNLOAD command
- 50. Added notification icon to report/label bands to inform the user that code exists in the
- 51. New RANKEQ statistical function to return the statistical rank of a given value
- 52. Enhanced **SELECT** command functions (MIN, MAX, LISTOF, etc.) will now use up to the first 2,000 characters (was 80) for each NOTE value
- 53. Enhanced **TINFO** function to specify a USER name for the first parameter to return those permissions
- 54. Added Data Designer "Find Column" search utility within the Columns area where a specific column may be located quickly in a large list of column names
- 55. New Find Panel in the Data Browser Tree Grid mode to provide fast record filtering
- 56. New ability to save/load an R:BASE Editor Session File (*.rbsf) where a list of command files are opened from a prior session
- 57. Enhanced Property Bar with an additional panel where the number of selected/highlighted objects is displayed
- 58. New **EXPLAIN** command which outputs the optimizer selections for the specified query
- 59. Added support to edit a view in R:BASE Editor from the Database Explorer, where a tab opens in the editor for changes to be implemented by running the .vie file
- 60. Enhanced password edit fields where an "eye" button is available to toggle between hidden and visible characters
- 61. Enhanced results when searching for text in EEPs, object properties, and expressions, where the date and time stamp and version are displayed
- 62. Enhanced R:Calculator plugin with history (persisted between sessions)
- 63. Enhanced selection highlighting in the Data Browser View as Grid mode where the entire row is highlighted
- 64. Enhanced **BROWSE** and **EDIT** commands with **EXCEPT** parameter support to specify columns that will not be included in the Data Browser
- 65. New "Open Table WHERE..." and "Open View WHERE..." options added to the Database Explorer group bar
- 66. Enhanced **GRANT** user privileges allowing CREATE privileges on TEMPORARY TABLES to be separate from CREATE privileges on permanent tables
- 67. Added Plugins button to the main toolbar
- 68. Enhanced WHERE Builder where **ARRANGE BY** parameters may be specified
- 69. Enhanced Startup Options to specify the window/tab order when R:BASE is launched
- 70. Added Report Designer guidelines to assist users when placing/moving objects
- 71. Added EXTRA_SHEETS parameter for the **GATEWAY** EXPORT XLSW option, which specifies whether blank sheets are included in the workbook
- 72. Enhanced PDF Annotation object to accept a variable in (.VariableName) format for the Title and Contents properties

- 73. Enhanced Data Dictionary where double click is supported to paste the table name, column name, etc. value
- 74. New Find Column in Table/View group bar options include a search utility to locate column names in tables and views
- 75. The Print Preview window includes the "Report Outline" and "Find Text" buttons by default
- 76. Enhanced display of variable values within Form Designer property editors and other areas for variable based controls, to help differentiate between variables
- 77. New **CMDHIST** setting to control the "Update Command History"
- 78. Added display of slave tables when selecting to run a form or print a report/label from the main toolbar
- 79. Added support to directly edit stored procedure code from the Data Designer Triggers area
- 80. Enhanced Tile Menu control's Action Bar with "Duplicate" and "Edit Custom EEP" buttons to easily reuse and modify Action Bar items
- 81. Enhanced Tab Order Settings with added Auto-Arrange buttons to arrange a group of controls based upon their coordinates
- 82. Added "Default Font" menu to the R:BASE Editor Display settings to assign a font type and size to all word types (comments, strings, numbers, identifiers, keywords)
- 83. New Report Designer "Prevent Orphans" breakpoint setting which specifies whether group headers/footers can print alone at the bottom/top of the page
- 84. Enhanced **DEBUG** setting variable debugging feature where a warning will display if a variable declaration is executed when the variable already exists and the variable type changes
- 85. Enhanced Report/Label Designer Edit toolbar with the display of variable values within the variable list, to help differentiate between variables
- 86. Enhanced Form Designer right click context menu for actions/objects to include the underlying Custom EEP options
- 87. Added "Defaults" button for the R:BASE Startup Options
- 88. New CVAL('DBCOMMENT') function to retrieve the comments for a connected database
- 89. Added "On Form Activate" and "On Form Deactivate" EEPs, which fire when the form receives focus, and when focus is moved to another form
- 90. Enhanced **LIST** command which displays the last data modification date/time stamp, last schema modification date/time stamp, and comment for the database
- 91. Check box support implemented for the Tree View and DB Tree View form controls
- 92. Added right click menu option for when running a command file/EEP in Trace Debugger, to insert a highlighted command into R> Prompt Command History
- 93. Enhanced navigation in the Print Preview with zoom and scrolling with the mouse wheel; [Ctrl]+Wheel = Zoom in/out, [Ctrl]+[Shift]+Wheel = Scroll left/right within page
- 94. Added "Unload ... Multi-file" menu option for Views, Stored Procedures, Forms, Reports, and Labels where several selected items are unloaded into separate files
- 95. Added history for stored procedure searches
- 96. Added "Remember Current Session" setting to restore a group of commands that were opened in the prior session
- 97. Added Soft Touch Objects setting where the Touch function will only update the date/time stamp of the form/report/label
- 98. Enhanced **LIST VIEWS** which shows the tables/views that are used in each view
- 99. Enhanced Favorite Commands selection of multiple commands, where the result is concatenated for execution as a group
- 100. Enhanced File List Box providing File Type options for attributes to include/exclude from the list box: Read Only, Hidden, System, Directory, Archive, Normal
- 101. Enhanced **DIALOG** and **PAUSE** commands where the WINDOWS icon image will vary based upon the operating system
- 102. Added "Show Check Box" setting to the Enhanced Group Box form control, which specifies if the group box content is enabled/disabled
- 103. Improved default tab logic for the BLOB Editor when launched with the **RBBEDIT** command
- 104. Added Query Builder/Wizard option to insert the continuation character (+) at the end of each line to easily recycle SQL code
- 105. Enhanced BLOB Editor where the file being edited is displayed in the title bar
- 106. Enhanced **SFIL** function which can fill a NOTE data type value to the maximum size limit of 10,000 characters (was 4,092)

- 107. New Opacity setting for PDF Annotation labels to specify the amount of visibility for the annotation
- 108. Added Report Designer right click context menu options to easily convert rich text objects to "advanced" rich text objects
- 109. Added display for the current INSERT/OVERWRITE status in the R:BASE status bar
- 110. New **TJOURNAL** setting to optionally generate a transaction processing journal file to track database changes associated with each COMMIT or ROLLBACK
- 111. Enhanced display for form Pop-up Menus where zebra stripes can be enabled
- 112. Added "Enforce MDI Mode" setting to specify that the Data Browser is opened in MDI mode by default
- 113. Enhanced **LIST** command which includes the number of views, stored procedures, forms, reports, and labels
- 114. New Data Designer menu options to create NOT Null Index definitions
- 115. New Enhanced DB Navigator "Image Style" sets (Flat Gray, Flat Blue, Cute, Office, and Infographic) for use with new operating systems
- 116. Added Scratch Pad utility [Ctrl+F11] support when reviewing the form, report, and label "Find in..." search results
- 117. Enhanced **UNLOAD DATA** command to specify custom quote and delimiter character values for ASCII/CSV formats
- 118. Ability to review and edit the text attributes for the R:BASE Editor Syntax Scheme in use (based upon the cursor position), when the [F6] hot key is pressed
- 119. Additional "align text within borders" options added to the Report/Label Designer Format toolbar
- 120. Added annotation types (Check, Checkmark, Circle, Cross, Cross Hairs, Right Arrow, Right Pointer, Star, Up Arrow, Up Left Arrow) to the PDF Annotation object
- 121. Added ability to switch between Delphi or HTML RGB Hex notation for Custom Colors
- 122. Enhanced Data Designer default column value capabilities, where static and global variable can be used (value must be dotted), which works well in combination with static variables
- 123. Enhanced AUTOCHK command to check an index in descending order
- 124. Added Query Wizard field selection dialog, with filter, for tables with many columns (drag field to the table name)
- 125. Enhanced File List Box control to optionally include the file Size, Creation Time, Last Access Time, and Last Write Time values
- 126. Added Hint Expressions to form List View and List Box controls to display a hint for the current mouse hovered row
- 127. Added Report/Label Designer encoding types (ASCII, C40, Text, X12, EDIFACT, Binary, ASCII Manual, Auto) for 2D Barcode Data Matrix labels
- 128. Enhanced File Gateway Export tab, where the Tables/Views combo box can be limited to tables, views, or both
- 129. Enhanced Show Column and Hide Column dialogs with a filter field, to quickly locate column name
- 130. Enhanced **PRINT... OPTION SCREEN** with additional parameters to disable the Find Text and Report Outline buttons, just like other enabled/disable buttons parameters
- 131. Enhanced table/view alignment with snap to grid in the Query Wizard
- 132. Enhanced **DEBUG** setting variable debugging feature where a warning will display if a variable declaration is executed when the variable already exists and the variable type changes
- 133. Added "On Form Move" EEP, which fires when the form is moved
- 134. New "Grow to Height" and "Grow to Width" Options for Report/Label Designer Size toolbar
- 135. Added "Copy Number" and "Copy Number Description" options to the report/label System Variable control, which appear on copies of the output
- 136. Added column-level SHOWEDITOR property to launch the BLOB Editor for a specific column within forms
- 137. Enhanced CTXT function to support capturing VARCHAR data to a TEXT string
- 138. Enhanced Find in Print Preview search with a "Whole Word" option to locate text that is contained within a whole word
- 139. Enhanced BLOB Editor to support the standard keyboard shortcut [Ctrl+Z] to undo a change

- 140. Added "Show Grid" property for the Enhanced Group Box form control to display a grid pattern on the box
- 141. Added application **PROPERTY** to alter Title casing behavior of hyphenated strings for form Edit/Memo controls
- 142. Enhanced DB Tree List control with additional properties for selecting a specific node
- 143. Added ability to assign an EEP or command file to a form Enhanced DB Navigator button
- 144. Added "Bring Forward" and "Send Backward" options to the Report/Label Designer Format toolbar and context menu
- 145. Added right click "Add to Code Templates" R:BASE Editor context menu for highlighted text, where a command, or command block, is easily added to the Code Templates utility
- 146. New display setting to show the Report/Label Designer margins with a custom color
- 147. Added "Create INMEMORY Table" GATEWAY Import option to create a temporary inmemory table
- 148. Enhanced Report/Label Designer "Border" option to the Format toolbar (sides color, thickness, line style)
- 149. Enhanced DB Tree Grid properties to toggle what buttons may be displayed on the Navigator, including whether to display the button hints
- 150. Enhanced form Bit Button and Push Button objects with Flat Face and Flat Shadow properties, for improved display in forms with backgrounds using darker colors
- 151. Enhanced Form/Report/Label conversion dialogs with an improved user interface added table name and comment
- 152. New "Column Balancing" setting added to the Report/Label Designer Page Setup > Layout tab, to minimize the number of rows displayed on the report
- 153. Added Database Explorer setting to toggle the display of tables/views for the Views area
- 154. Added ROWS_PER_FILE parameter for the **GATEWAY** exports where the records may be broken up into separate files based on the quantity of records in each file
- 155. New Report/Label Designer zoom capability with a slider object
- 156. Added Database Explorer support to edit a stored procedure declaration in R:BASE Editor, with the source in a .PRO file and the declaration to a .RMD file
- 157. New CVAL('QUALKEYS') function to return columns assigned as a QualKeys
- 158. Enhanced Find in Files utility supporting multiple folder searches (including multiple drive letters)
- 159. New "Add Variable Value to Command History" Trace Debugger menu option to add complex ampersand variable commands to R> Prompt Command History
- 160. New Report/Label Designer Gradient button on the Draw toolbar to define gradient coloring for shape objects
- 161. Added right click menu on the Form Designer Tab Order child items to filter the results by Read Only, Tab Stop, Enabled, and Component ID values
- 162. Enhanced Trace Debugger Live Variable list sorting with ability to toggle the dynamic list in ascending, descending, and most-recent order
- 163. Added right click menu option for when running a command file/EEP in Trace Debugger, to insert a highlighted command into the R> Prompt Favorites
- 164. Enhanced drop trigger flexibility, to optionally drop a before trigger, or after trigger, separately
- 165. Added User Privileges GUI ability to allow **CREATE** privileges on TEMPORARY TABLES, separate from CREATE privileges on permanent tables
- 166. Enhanced Form Designer lasso frame for highlighting and selecting multiple objects easier
- 167. Added Split View form control property to alter the separator line color
- 168. Enhanced Favorite Commands which interpret a double-click (equivalent to Run button), to efficiently run several commands in sequence
- 169. Added display of comments when running an external form from the main toolbar when no external form is selected
- 170. Enhanced **LIST** command to display QualKey columns
- 171. Improved ability to arrange tables/views with [Shift]+Drag functionality to move objects along 0, 90, 180, 270 degree drag paths in the Query Wizard
- 172. New Default Form Settings tab to assign the default panes for Status Bar controls
- 173. Enhanced R> Prompt console fonts, where the font name, style, and size are independent for the input console and output console
- 174. Added progress dialog for the table save process in the Data Designer to keep the user informed

- 175. Added R:BASE Editor status bar pane showing the Syntax Scheme (R:BASE, Java, MS-DOS, etc.) in use
- 176. New **CVAL('QUALKEY TABLES')** function to return tables which contain a QualKey column
- 177. Added ability to sort the list of Query Wizard table/view objects
- 178. Added 2D Barcode Data Matrix label settings to specify the size of each module and rendered as square
- 179. Added "In-memory Table" Data Designer option to saves the table as a temporary inmemory table
- 180. Added R:BASE Editor right click "Add to R> Favorites" context menu for highlighted text, where a single command is easily added to the R> Prompt Favorite Commands utility
- 181. Enhanced **DIR** command to support sort ordering with ASC and DESC parameters
- 182. Added support for the classic report/label Print Preview, where output is located at the top left corner of the screen
- 183. Added Clear Selection button in the top left corner of the Report/Label Designer rulers to deselect any object
- 184. Added ability to capture the Find in Files utility search results, where the file names can be copied, and also the file names, date/time modified value, and file size
- 185. Added [Ctrl+Page Down] and [Ctrl+Page Up] R> Prompt Command History key combinations to place the focus to the bottom or top of the list
- 186. Enhanced **SHOW VARIABLE** command which supports wildcard characters for the variable name, even when the =w parameter is present
- 187. Added Report/Label Designer File Delimiter options for "Print to Text File Setup" utility; SemiColon and Space
- 188. Added "Expand Selection" and "Shrink Selection" menu options to the Command Files group, where a custom file mask can be specified to include or limit Database Explorer file selections
- 189. Enhanced Database Versions utility display with results matching the Hidden File and/or Hidden Folder criterion
- 190. Added right click menu on the Form Designer Tab Order listed items to allow quick editing of attributes or to show the property editor
- 191. Added BLOB Editor option to the "Tools" main menu bar drop-down
- 192. Enhanced file launch capability within the R:BASE Editor Compare by Content utility by double clicking the file content
- 193. Added sorted column background color within the Data Dictionary, to match the logic in the Database Explorer
- 194. Added Favorite Commands right click option to copy the selected command to the clipboard
- 195. Enhanced Database Versions utility supporting multiple folder searches (including multiple drive letters)