

## Superfluous Data Binding Can be Good for You

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If you have read my previous posts on "[Execution Plans](#)" and [Data Binding](#) you know I am a big believer in using Cfqueryparam for performance as well as security. Today I picked up a tip on this topic from [harelmalka.com](#) (a blog I had never read before). I had never considered it before, but a query with no "WHERE" clause does not use binding because it lacks the opportunity. Therefore, a statement like:

```
<CFQUERY ...>
    SELECT * FROM Users
</CFQUERY>
```

Would not include a prepare statement and not hit the execution plan. Hmm... The solution (originally detailed by [Barney](#)) is to add a superfluous binding merely for the purpose of kicking off the "prepare statement" method. Like so:

```
<CFQUERY ...>
    SELECT * FROM Users
    WHERE 1 = <cfqueryparam cfsqltype="CF_SQL_INTEGER" value="1">
</CFQUERY>
```

That gets the job done nicely.