Subject: Re: Explicit OR-Split
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There is one instance where sorting on pre_condition would not be a good idea, and where sorting just on place_name would be better. Just suppose there are several conditions which could be true, but they need to be evaluated in a particular order so that the first one found to be true is executed - it is possible that by sorting on the contents of pre_condition the wrong condition could be evaluated first. Sorting on place_name would give more flexibility as YOU would decide the order in which the conditions were evaluated. All you would have to do is prefix the descriptive place name with an ascending variable (such as '1-' or 'A-'). This would give you much more control over the evaluation order.

What do you think?