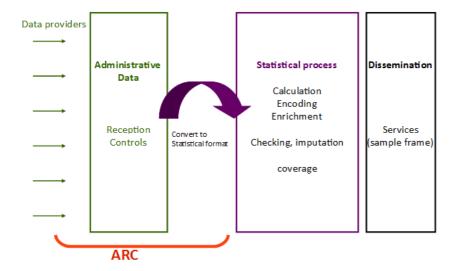
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## General présentation of the application

The ARC (from the French: Acquisition - Réception - Contrôles) software allows receiving (administrative) data supplied by the providers (several formats are supported, particularly XML), to control the compliance of the received files, and to transform administrative data to elementary statistical data. The software enables the statistician to define and apply controls and mappings, to test them in a sandbox environment (linked to the software), and to put them into production without frequently calling on a developer.

These functionnalities/services aim the statistician's independence and ability to adapt to the data evolutions, thereby avoiding impacts on the statistical chain.

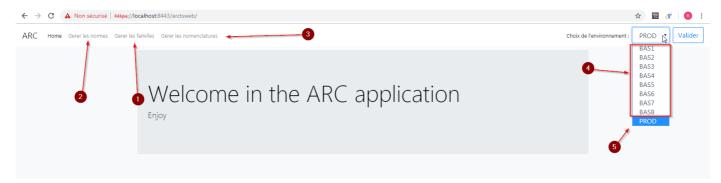


To achieve this goal, the ARC application need some information

- 1. Each file is link to a norm family. Those families distinguish the main file type and the output model.
- 2. Each fille is linked to a **norm** too. The norm is a set of rules describing how the file must be handled.
- 3. The third information is the file periodicity.

From the ARC index page you can access to:

- 1. The norm family management
- 2. The norm management
- 3. External resources management
- 4. The sand box monitoring
- 5. The production monitoring



## Module explanation

General information

## **Document logic**

One on the feature of Arc is to process the document separately of each other. This is possible because no cross document process are done.

## Multithreading

For good performances the application use a lot the multithreading. It is possible because of the document logic. Each business module have the same architecture:

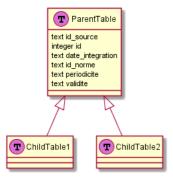
- $1. \ \ \text{The module get all the file to process and the relevant information (like the norm, rules etc)} \ ;$
- 2. The module creates a pool of database connection. The pool size is equals to the number of thread run in parallel;
- 3. For each file to process, the module create a thread;
- 4. The module dispatch its connection pool between the threads and run theirs. Each time a thread end, the module give the connection to another and run it;
- 5. The module finalizes the process by updating several database table.

For the rest of this document the module process will mostly refer to the thread module process, because it's the thread that have the business logic, the module just run the threads.

## Inherit tables

The Arc application use the inheritance between tables of PostgreSQL. This make it possible to keep the document logic in the database.

At the end of each module the data of each file are stored in individual table, but all those table inherit of a parent table that have some general column, but enable each table to have specific column.



### Initialization module

It's not a business module and will not process the file, but it creates or update all the necessary tables in the sandbox schema in the database. This module is automatically run at the start of all other module.

## Register module

## Identification module

First user defined module, the identification module goal is to find the norm and the validity of a file (see Norm management).

To do this, the file is insert in the database by streaming it and the PostreSQL COPY function for quick loading. It's common to have the information to identify the rule in the beginning of the file, so it doesn't load all the file but only some lines. Then all the norm definition rules are parsed in SQL and run. Three cases:

- Only one rule return true. It's the nominal case. The norm of this file is the one of this rule;
- Two or more rules return true. In this case the application can not decide witch norm to apply, so the file is set in LOAD\_KO status;
- No rule return true. The application load more lines and check the rules again. If at the end of the file, no rules had returned true, the file is set in LOAD\_KO status.

If a norm is find the application find is validity with the same process (but now with only the rule of the found norm). Two cases:

- A validity is found. It's the nominal case. The validity of the file is set in the application and is status is set to LOAD\_OK;
- No validity is found. The file is set in LOAD\_KO status.

At the end, the pilotage table is update with the status of the files, and their norm and validity.

## Load module

The goal of the load module is to load the files in the database of ARC. In the previous module the application set a norm for each file. Those norms are used to choose the good way to load the file. Currently there are 3 loaders

- Xml loader;
- · Csv loader;
- Key value loader.

### XML loader

The Xml loader is the first loader developed. It can load xml file, with some restriction :

- The file cannot have cyclic objects;
- The xml attributes are ignored.

This loader don't need any configuration.

To keep the hierarchy of the file is not in tabulate format (it will be tabulated in the structurize xml module). For example if the application load this file :

```
<branch>
     <leave> leave3 </leave>
    </branch>
 </trunk>
 <trunk>
   <color> black </color>
   <state> burned </state>
   <branch>
     <leave> leave5 </leave>
   </branch>
   <hranch>
     <leave> leave6 </leave>
   </branch>
 </trunk>
 <root_attribute>
   <age> 45 </age>
   <height> 15m </heighti_ro>
 </root_attribute>
</root>
```

the output table will look like :

id	i_root	v_root	i_color	v_color	i_state	v_state	i_branch	i_leave	v_leave	i_root_attribute	i_age	v_age	i_height	v
1	1	1	1	brown	1	good	1	1	leave1					
2	1	1	1	brown	1	good	2	2	leave2					
3	1	1	1	brown	1	good	3	3	leave3					
2	1	1	2	black	2	burned	4	4	leave4					
2	1	1	2	black	2	burned	5	5	leave5					_
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Notice the addition of the i\_name attribute in the table. Those columns will be used by the structurize xml module to tabulate the data and keep the hierarchy.

In parallel to that, the application create an SQL join request. This request, like the i\_name attribute columns will be used by the structurize xml to tabulate the data

## Key value loader

This loader load key value files like this:

```
key1: val1
key2: val2
key3: val3
key1: val4
```

Because the key value file can have an internal hierarchy (like a xml file) but do not provide any way to deduce it, this loader need some configuration:

- The separator between key and value;
- An xml format for the file.

First the module read the xml format. Then it transforms the key value file in a xml one and load it with the xml loader. To keep good performances, the file is read-transformed in xml-loaded by streaming. This make it possible to process it and never write it on disk.

See XML loader

## CSV loader

It's the simpler loader of the application. It takes tabulate data in a csv format and insert it in the database with some modification.

In the process, the application need for each attribute a column i\_name attribute and v\_name attribute, so it has to create it. The i\_name attribute are used to keep the hierarchy of the file. A csv file don't have any, so all i\_name attribute are equals to the line number. The v\_name attribute contain the value of the column. And the module create an id for each line equals to its line number.

For instance, the file:

```
Sexe,First name,Birth year
M,Alphonse,1932
F,Béatrice,1964
F,Charlotte,1988
```

will look like in database:

id	i_sexe	v_sexe	i_firstName	v_firstName	i_birthYear	v_birthYear
1	1	1932	1	Alphonse	1	1932
2	2	1964	2	Béatrice	2	1964
3	3	1988	3	Charlotte	3	1988

This loader have to be configured with:

- the separator character (by default;)
- a delimiter (none by default)

This loader uses the PostreSQL COPY command for good performances.

#### Structurize XML

The goal of the Structurize xml module is to tabulate the output data of the load module and apply user defined structurize rules. Those rules will be parsed in SQL and run by the database. There are 6 types of rules:

- Deletion
- Relation
- Cartesian
- Unicity
- Duplication
- Independence

The structurize xml module start by getting all the id source to process and create structurize xml thread (see Multithreading).

Each thread creates a working table with the data of its file and edits the SQL join request created by the load module.

To do that, each thread get all the variables use by the full process of Arc for this file. Those rules are stored in

- TRANSFORMATION\_REGLE
- CONTROLE\_REGLE
- FILTRAGE\_REGLE
- MAPPING\_REGLE

Then the module update the SQL join request with the rules in this order :

- 1. Deletion
- 2. Duplication
- 3. Independence
- 4. Unity
- 5. Relation

## **Deletion rules**

The purpose of those rules is, as the name suggest it, to delete some columns. Those rules are special because the application itself can create deletion rules. If a column is never used in the full process of Arc for this file the column is deleted for optimization. But, if one of the user defined deletion rules delete a needed column for the full process the application stop the module and tag the file as KO.

To apply those rules, the application scan the SQL join request and delete all occurrences of the variables.

### **Duplication rules**

Next, the module apply the duplication rules. Their goal is to duplicate block, and give to the new block a new business meaning.

For instance, for a cleaner the same block can be use for his workplace (where he does cleaning) and his employer (the one who pay him). Without duplicate the block it will be impossible to make the join and separate those two things.

Those rules cannot be directly create by the user. They are side effect of relation rules. A duplication rule is created if :

- · A relation rule exists
- There is an alias follow by a dot before the rubric name in the column "rubrique nomenclature"
- All the rubrics used by the rule are in the file.

In this case a duplication rules will be created and characterized by the two rubrics it links and the alias. For instance the rule:

id	type	column	column nomenclature	commentary		
1	relation	V_S21_G00_40_046	siretutil.V_S21_G00_85_001	relation lieu de travail siret utilisateur		

will create a rule duplication that duplicate the block containing the column V\_S21\_G00\_40\_046. It will add the prefix "\_siretutil" to the block and all column within.

To implement a duplication rule, the module read the SQL join request, duplicate SQL of the block to duplicate, add the sufix, and add the new block in the final join.

### Independence rules

Like the duplication rule, the independence rule are not user define but deduce by the module. Theirs purpose is to limit the number of line between unrelated block during the running of the SQL join request.

To detect unrelated block the module begin by create idenpendence rules fore every couple of blocks and scan the hierarchy of the file and the relation rules. If two blocks are linked with a relation rule, then they are related. Moreover, theirs parents are related two, and the rules previously created are deleted. At the end, all remaining rules are the independence rules to apply.

The user can define cartesian rules between two blocks to specify that those blocks are not independent.

### **Unity rules**

The *unicity* rules purpose is to keep only one line in a bloc if many have the same id. For instance an enterprise can declare a same workplace multiple time (one time for each employee). By doing this the module reduce the number of output line.

#### Relation rules

Finally, the relation rules are applied. They make it possible to link two blocks which don't have any hierarchical bond.

### Application of the SQL join request

At the end of the process, the module send to the database the SQL join request. If no error occur the output table is insert into the STRUCTURISE\_XML\_OK table and the file is tag as OK in the pilotage table. Otherwise, the file is tag as KO.

### Control module

The control module goal is to control if a file respect enought rules to be exploitable by the continuation of the process. Those rules can check:

- the format of a column;
- · the cardinality between blocks;
- · a more specific sql condition.

Beside the control check, a control rule can have a sql request named "pre action" to format the data for the check.

First of all, each thread control module copy the data of theirs file from the previous phase output table to a workinh table. Then they get the file's control rules.

The thread get all the "pre action", parsed them in SQL and run them in the working table. Next the module excecute the rules. There is 5 types of rules

- Num: check if the column is numeric and its lenght
- Date : chech if the column have the specify date format
- Alphanum : check the lenght of the column
- Cardinality: check is the relation is 1..n between block
- Condition : check a user definied sql condition

If a line have a failed check, the line is marked in error. After check done the module count how many line are in error, and compute the percentage of error. Three cases are possible:

- the ratio is bigger than a user definied threshold : the file is KO tagged, and all lines go to the KO ouput table;
- the ratio is small than a user definied threshold but not 0: the file is OK\_KO tagged to keep in mind that it has some error. Lines with error go to the KO output table, and the others go to the OK output table;
- the ratio = 0, file tagged as OK, all lines go to th OK ouput table.

Finally the pilotage table is update with the status of the file, and the working table update the output module table.

### Filter module

The filter module goal is to filter some lines following an business condition. Unlike the control module which check technical condition, the filter module is made to keep only some line with a certain business meaning. For instance, you can just keep the people living in a choose city.

First of all, each thread filter module copy the data of theirs file from the previous phase output table to a workinh table. Then they get the file's filter rules

After that they apply those rules, and for each line tag if the check failed or not. After check done the module count how many line are in error, and compute the percentage of error. Three cases are possible:

After that three cases:

- the ratio is bigger than a user definied threshold : the file is KO tagged and all lines go to the KO ouput table;
- the ratio is small than a user definied threshold but not 0 : the file is OK\_KO tagged to keep in mind that it has some deleted line. Lines with error go to the KO output table, and the others go to the OK output table;
- the ratio = 0, file tagged as OK, all lines are keeped and go to the OK output table.

Finally the pilotage table is update with the status of the file, and the working table update the output module table.

Map to model module

## Norm family management

Norm family presentation

A norm family is link to a type of file (for example it's source). It's characterized by :

- A format of data (xml, csv, key value ...)
- A client application for the statistical process
- A statistical model of data for the output of the ARC process. The model is defined by the output tables, variables and the links between the table

Norm family in ARC

## Norm management

Norm prensentation

Within a norm family exist many norm defined by :

- A name
- A periodicity
- An expression to recognize the norm in the file
- An expression to find the validity in the file.

A norm must be unique

Rule set

### Definition of a rule set

The rule set is displayed with a table with the different version available, and the status of the rule set.

The version of the rule set is choose freely by the user, it is only used to distinguish a rule set from other.

The status set if the rule set is inactive, in production, or load in a sand box.

Module rules

Each rule can have a commentary

## Load rules

Three parameters:

- File type : curently three available
  - o xml
  - o csv
  - key value
- Separator : only uses if file type = csv or key value
- Format : the hierarchy of the file in xml. Only use if file type = key value

## Structurize XML rules

Three parameters:

- Rule type: curently four available
  - o relation
  - o cartesian
  - deletion
  - unity
- Column :
  - o if type deletion: the column to delete
  - $\circ \;$  otherwise : one of the two column of the couple
- Column nomenclature : the other column of the couple

## **Control rules**

Seven parameters:

- Control type :
  - Cardinality
  - o Alphanumeric
  - Numeric

- Date
- Condition
- · Parent column
  - If controle type = cardinality : the parent column
  - o Otherwise: the column to control
- · Child column
  - o Cardinality only. The other column
- Min :
  - o If alphanumeric or numeric: the min lenght of the column
  - o If cardinality: the cardinality min
- Max : the max size
  - $\circ\hspace{0.2cm}$  If alphanumeric or numeric : the max lenght of the column
  - If cardinality : the cardinality max
- SQL condition:
  - If date : the date format to control
  - If condition : the SQL condition
- Pre action SQI : the pre action SQL to run before controling the file.

### Filtering rules

One parameter:

· The condition

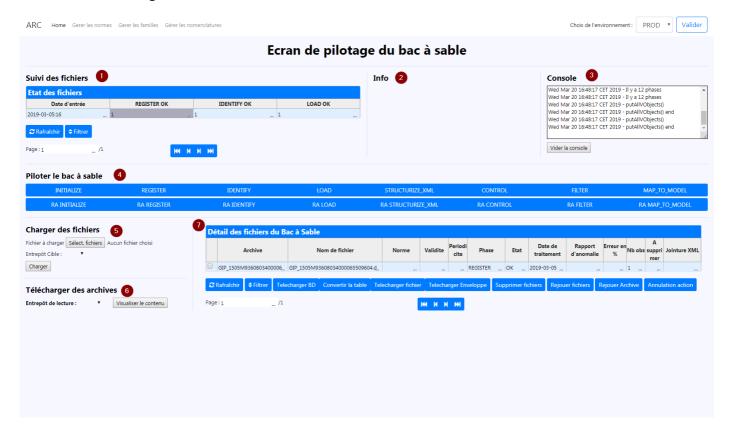
## Map to format rules

Three parameters:

- output variable : the name of the output variable
- expression: how the variable is compute. Can be very simple, like just using the raw value of a column, or more complicate by using SQL function like CASE WHEN, COALESCE etc.
- Type: the type of the output variable.

## External file management

## Sandbox monitoring



- 1. Monitoring of the module pass by the files
- 2. Some usefull information in case of error (empty here)
- 3. A console to see what some  $\log$  of the application (useful for quick debug)
- 4. Buttons to do/undo a module
- 5. Loading files with the GUI
- 6. Downloading files with the GUI

7. More details about the status of the files

# Production monitoring