#### **Excel file shape configuration**

Shape of the excel file is set at the beginning of the script for the 4 sheets of the excel file:

- *MD Fields* (column and row start)
- *Help* (associate columns with their names)
- *MD generic* (row start and associate columns with their names)
- MD Thesaurus (col start and associate columns with their names)

Be careful always to keep this values consistent with excel file shape, particularly for the delta between *MD Fields* columns and associated *Help* rows.

The addition of a column in *MD Field* or a row in *Help* does not impact this shape configuration.

## Read and parse excel file with xlrd

Get sheets and check excel file shape:

- Do MD Fields ID match with Help ID?
- Are mandatory fields filled?

If an error is identified the script stops and an appropriate error

## Parse the template as an XML tree with etree

#### Add metadata elements

An element is added only when its value is not null.

# 1. Generic metadata (*MD generic* sheet)

Each row of *MD generic* sheet stands for a metadata element. The element's value is added at the location specified by the xpath. A codelist and an attribute can also be added.

For some elements - identified thanks to their tag name - some other tags are added :

• Resource locator url addition of online resource protocol WWW:LINK-1.0-http-link

## 2. Non generic metadata (MD Fields and Help sheets)

An XML metadata file is generated for each row of MD Field sheet.

#### For each row:

- *MD Fields* columns are parsed one by one to get the values;
- linked *Help* rows are parsed to get :
  - xpath
  - attribute (is the metadata element an attribute)
  - thesaurus name
  - multivalue (do the tag need to be added only once or several times)
  - codelist value
  - type (Date or Keyword)
  - keyword attribute ID

Regular case is to add the metadata value (tag or attribute) at the location specified by the xpath.

Other elements can be added according to which *Help* cells are filled:

- attribute id for Free Keywwords ;
- codeList and codeListValue;
- thesaurus name, date, dateType and codeList (information available in *MD Thesaurus* sheet);
- Date elements : dateType and codelist ;
- Keyword elements: KeywordType and codeList.

Some values are kept in memory such as :

• URN ;

- resource Title;
- file name pattern.

Some elements need a specific processing:

- **URN** [identified with its xpath]
  - MD Field Unique identifier value is replaced by the URN
    the concatenation of MD generic UID and MD Fields
    UID
  - 2 MD generic tags are replaced by the concatenation of their value and the URN:
    - location (address) for on-line access
    - permanent link
  - If MD generic field OpenWIS only: DCPC local data source is not null, two online resources are added (Suscribe on DCPC and Request on DCPC)
- GTS Priority [identified with its xpath]
  Value is replaced by "GTSPriorityN" with N the 9th character of MD Field cell value
- File name [identified with its xpath]
  GFNC file name and associated information are added :
  - file description (dynamic value : Resource title)
  - file type (static value)
  - file format name (static value)
  - file format version (static value)

• **Free links** [identified with its xpath]

Several links can be added. 3 tags are added for each link:

- name (optional, URL value if not specified)
- protocol (static value)
- URL (dynamic value)
- **Resource Format** [identified with its xpath]

Several resource formats can be added. 3 tags are added for each resource format (dynamic values):

- name
- version
- specification (optional)
- Tag or group of tags added several times [Mutlivalue set to Yes]

Add a group of tags as many times as the number of commaseparated values. First multivalued tag to add is suffixed by "[]".

#### Warn messages

Warn message can be displayed for each metadata in case where:

- there is a field value but no xpath;
- a xpath is incorrect.