

# DOCUMENT 1: 3P3 FOUNDATIONS AND TABLE ANALYSIS

Technical Compass for FileMaker Implementation

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**Purpose:** Practical guide to understand and implement 3P3 in FileMaker

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## PART A: 3P3 COMPASS - THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE

### THE HEART OF EVERYTHING: CONTROLLING THE ENTITY

#### 3P3 Cardinal Principle:

"3P3 is extremely simple - we want to CONTROL THE ENTITY. The entity is the product of ACTIONS and RESOURCES. From this ontological principle emanates all the philosophy."

#### In simple words for technicians:

- **ENTITY** = Anything we do in the company (client, product, task, order, etc.)
- **ACTIONS** = The movements that transform the entity (call client, assemble strands, send email)
- **RESOURCES** = Who/What is needed to perform actions (Marco, glue gun, die-cutting machine, time)

### CONCRETE EXAMPLE - Understanding in 30 Seconds

**ENTITY:** 4-Panel Color Chart for LILA COSMETIC Client

#### ACTIONS that create it:

- TSK25001: Phone call to client
- PRJ25001: Project opening
- RCH25001: Sample strand request
- TEH25001: Technical sheet creation
- APR25001: Final approval

#### RESOURCES needed:

- Simona (commercial for phone call)
- Marco (operator for assembly)
- Dyeing machine (to color spools)
- Glue gun (for assembly)

**RESULT:** Finished chart worth 76€ for the client

## ⚡ WHY THIS IS REVOLUTIONARY

### Traditional System (classic ERP):

- CLIENTS table separate from PRODUCTS table
- ORDERS table separate from ACTIVITIES table
- Business Intelligence to "put the pieces back together"
- **Result:** Increasing complexity, fragmented information

### 3P3 System:

- **ONE ENTITY** contains everything: what it is, how it's made, who makes it
- **HIERARCHICAL DNA** automatically connects everything
- **UNIFIED PROCESS** from first click to finished product
- **Result:** Natural simplicity, complete vision

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## PART B: RESOLVING SPECIFIC ARCHITECTURAL DOUBTS

### 🏢 PROBLEM 1: LOG Table Schema - Eliminating Confusion

#### YOUR DOUBT (from emails):

"Confusion between TaskID vs ProcessID - which one to use?"

#### DEFINITIVE SOLUTION:

#### CORRECT SCHEMA - Centralized LOG Table:

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LOG **TABLE** (Common existential attributes):

- ├─ ProcessID (**Primary Key**) - DNA format: TSK25001, RCH25045, etc.
- ├─ ProcessType (TSK, PRJ, RCH, TEH, APR, etc.)
- ├─ ClientID (**Foreign Key** → CLIENTS **table**)
- ├─ ResponsibleID (**Foreign Key** → USERS **table**)
- ├─ CreatorID (**Foreign Key** → USERS **table**)
- ├─ **Status** (TO\_DO → IN\_PROGRESS → DONE)
- ├─ DateCreated, DateStarted, DateCompleted
- ├─ ParentProcessID (**for** hierarchical DNA)
- ├─ Description (free **text**)
- └─ Priority (High/Medium/Low)

#### SPECIFIC TABLES (1:1 relationship with LOG):

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#### TSK\_PHONE\_CALL TABLE:

- └─ ProcessID (FK → LOG.ProcessID)
- └─ PhoneNumber
- └─ CallDuration
- └─ CallOutcome
- └─ (only specific fields for phone calls)

#### TSK\_EMAIL TABLE:

- └─ ProcessID (FK → LOG.ProcessID)
- └─ EmailAddress
- └─ Subject
- └─ Attachments
- └─ (only specific fields for emails)

#### RCH\_SAMPLES TABLE:

- └─ ProcessID (FK → LOG.ProcessID)
- └─ SampleType
- └─ Quantity
- └─ Specifications
- └─ (only specific fields for sample requests)

### SIMPLE RULE:

- **TaskID = COMPLETELY ELIMINATED** ❌
- **ProcessID = UNIQUE identifier** ✅
- **LOG = Common attributes** (dates, states, responsible parties)
- **Specific tables = Unique attributes** (phone number, email, etc.)

### 🔧 PROBLEM 2: Managing Common vs Specific Attributes

#### GUIDING PRINCIPLE:

"If a field is useful for ALL processes → goes in LOG table"

"If a field is useful only for ONE type of process → goes in specific table"

#### PRACTICAL EXAMPLES:

##### COMMON ATTRIBUTES (go in LOG):

- **Status:** All processes have states (TO\_DO → IN\_PROGRESS → DONE)
- **Responsible:** All processes have a responsible party
- **Date:** All processes have start/end dates
- **Client:** Most processes are connected to a client
- **Priority:** Useful for all processes

**SPECIFIC ATTRIBUTES (go in dedicated tables):**

- **PhoneNumber:** Only for TSK\_PHONE\_CALL
- **EmailSubject:** Only for TSK\_EMAIL
- **SampleQuantity:** Only for RCH\_SAMPLES
- **TechnicalSpecs:** Only for TEH\_DATA\_SHEET
- **ApprovalFile:** Only for APR\_APPROVAL

 **PROBLEM 3: Optimized Relationships for FileMaker Performance**

**RECOMMENDED ARCHITECTURE:**

**Relationship Graph Structure:**

LOG (Master Table)

- ├── 1:1 → TSK\_PHONE\_CALL (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:1 → TSK\_EMAIL (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:1 → PRJ\_PROJECT (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:1 → RCH\_SAMPLES (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:1 → TEH\_DATA\_SHEET (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:1 → APR\_APPROVAL (ProcessID match)
- ├── 1:∞ → LOG (Self-join for DNA hierarchy)
- ├── ∞:1 → CLIENTS (ClientID match)
- └── ∞:1 → USERS (ResponsibleID match)

**PERFORMANCE ADVANTAGES:**

- **1:1 Join = Faster in FileMaker**
- **Single indexes** on ProcessID, Status, ClientID
- **Optimized found sets** for common filters
- **Fast portal loading** for related records

 **PROBLEM 4: Concrete Implementation Examples**

**EXAMPLE A: TSK\_PHONE\_CALL Process**

Scenario: Simona calls LILA COSMETIC client to confirm appointment

**STEP 1 - Record in LOG:**

ProcessID: TSK25001  
ProcessType: TSK  
ClientID: CLI\_LILA\_COSMETIC  
ResponsibleID: USR\_SIMONA  
Status: IN\_PROGRESS  
DateCreated: 10/08/2025 14:30  
Description: "Confirm visit appointment"

## STEP 2 - Record in TSK\_PHONE\_CALL:

ProcessID: TSK25001 (FK)  
PhoneNumber: +40-21-555-0123  
CallDuration: 8 minutes  
CallOutcome: "Appointment confirmed for 15/08"

## STEP 3 - Update LOG when finished:

Status: DONE  
DateCompleted: 10/08/2025 14:38

## EXAMPLE B: RCH\_SAMPLES Process

Scenario: Giuseppe registers LILA COSMETIC sample request

### STEP 1 - Record in LOG:

ProcessID: RCH25002  
ProcessType: RCH  
ClientID: CLI\_LILA\_COSMETIC  
ResponsibleID: USR\_GIUSEPPE  
Status: TO\_DO  
DateCreated: 10/08/2025 15:00  
Description: "Request 120 color strand samples"  
ParentProcessID: TSK25001

### STEP 2 - Record in RCH\_SAMPLES:

ProcessID: RCH25002 (FK)  
SampleType: "Hair strands"  
Quantity: 120  
Specifications: "4-panel chart, blonde-brown colors"  
DeliveryMethod: "Express courier"

EXAMPLE C: TEH\_DATA\_SHEET Process

Scenario: Marco creates technical sheet for LILA product

STEP 1 - Record in LOG:

ProcessID: TEH25003  
ProcessType: TEH  
ClientID: CLI\_LILA\_COSMETIC  
ResponsibleID: USR\_MARCO  
Status: TO\_DO  
DateCreated: 10/08/2025 16:00  
Description: "Technical sheet LILA 4-panel chart"  
ParentProcessID: RCH25002

STEP 2 - Record in TEH\_DATA\_SHEET:

ProcessID: TEH25003 (FK)  
ProductCode: "CART\_LILA\_4ANTE\_120"  
TechnicalSpecs: "Dimensions 15x20cm, 120 strands, 4 pages"  
Materials: "Spools BOB001, BOB002, 200gr paper"  
EstimatedTime: "3 hours production"

PART C: SIMPLIFIED DATABASE SCHEMA TO START

 PHASE 1 IMPLEMENTATION - Core Tables

For THE BRIDGE, start with these 6 tables:

1. LOG (Master Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key, Indexed)
- ProcessType (Text, 10, Indexed, Dropdown: TSK|PRJ|RCH|TEH|APR)
- ClientID (Text, 20, Foreign Key)
- ResponsibleID (Text, 10, Foreign Key)
- CreatorID (Text, 10, Foreign Key)
- Status (Text, 20, Dropdown: TO\_DO|IN\_PROGRESS|DONE)
- DateCreated (Timestamp, Auto-enter)
- DateStarted (Timestamp)
- DateCompleted (Timestamp)
- ParentProcessID (Text, 50, for DNA hierarchy)
- Description (Text, 500 chars)
- Priority (Text, 10, Dropdown: High|Medium|Low)

## 2. TSK\_PHONE\_CALL (Task Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key = Foreign Key to LOG)
- PhoneNumber (Text)
- CallDuration (Number, minutes)
- CallOutcome (Text, 1000 chars)
- CallDirection (Text, Dropdown: Incoming|Outgoing)

## 3. PRJ\_PROJECT (Project Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key = Foreign Key to LOG)
- ProjectName (Text, 100 chars)
- ProjectType (Text, Dropdown: STANDARD|CUSTOM|PROTOTYPE)
- EstimatedValue (Number, currency)
- Deadline (Date)
- ProjectStatus (Text, Dropdown: PLANNING|ACTIVE|ON\_HOLD|COMPLETED)

## 4. RCH\_SAMPLES (Research Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key = Foreign Key to LOG)
- SampleType (Text, Dropdown: CIOCCHE|STAMPATI|ACCESSORI)
- Quantity (Number)
- Specifications (Text, 2000 chars)
- DeliveryMethod (Text, Dropdown: COURIER|POST|PICKUP)
- ClientSample (Container, image)

### 5. TEH\_DATA\_SHEET (Technical Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key = Foreign Key to LOG)
- ProductCode (Text, 30)
- TechnicalSpecs (Text, 3000 chars)
- Materials (Text, 1000 chars)
- EstimatedTime (Number, hours)
- Drawings (Container, PDF/images)

### 6. APR\_APPROVAL (Approval Process Table)

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#### Fields:

- ProcessID (Text, 50, Primary Key = Foreign Key to LOG)
- ApprovalType (Text, Dropdown: CLIENT|INTERNAL|TECHNICAL)
- ApprovalFile (Container, PDF/image)
- ApprovalDeadline (Date)
- ApprovalStatus (Text, Dropdown: PENDING|APPROVED|REJECTED|REVISION)
- ApprovalNotes (Text, 2000 chars)



### RELATIONSHIPS for FileMaker

LOG::ProcessID = TSK\_PHONE\_CALL::ProcessID (1:1)  
LOG::ProcessID = PRJ\_PROJECT::ProcessID (1:1)  
LOG::ProcessID = RCH\_SAMPLES::ProcessID (1:1)  
LOG::ProcessID = TEH\_DATA\_SHEET::ProcessID (1:1)  
LOG::ProcessID = APR\_APPROVAL::ProcessID (1:1)  
LOG::ClientID = CLIENTS::ClientID (∞:1)  
LOG::ResponsibleID = USERS::UserID (∞:1)  
LOG::ParentProcessID = LOG::ProcessID (∞:1, self-join for hierarchy)

## PART D: FUNDAMENTAL OPERATIONAL PRINCIPLES

## ✅ DO - What to Do

1. **Single Source of Truth:** Every ProcessID exists only in LOG table
2. **1:1 Relationships:** Every specific process connects to LOG with same ProcessID
3. **Universal Status:** All processes use TO\_DO → IN\_PROGRESS → DONE
4. **DNA Consistency:** Every ProcessID follows format: PRXYNNNN
5. **Time Tracking:** Always timestamp DateCreated/Started/Completed in LOG

## ❌ DON'T - What NOT to Do

1. **DON'T duplicate fields:** If it exists in LOG, don't put it in specific tables
2. **DON'T use TaskID:** Only ProcessID as unique identifier
3. **DON'T bypass LOG:** Every process MUST have record in LOG
4. **DON'T custom statuses:** Always use standard 3P3 states
5. **DON'T scattered logic:** All business logic on processes goes through LOG

## 🎯 SUCCESS CRITERIA

### When implementation is correct:

- You can see all ongoing processes from a single screen (LOG)
- You can filter by client and see their entire history
- You can drill-down into any process for specific details
- You never have information duplications
- Performance stays fast even with 1000+ processes

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## PART E: PRACTICAL NEXT STEPS

### 📅 IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP

**WEEK 1:** ☐ Create 6 core tables (LOG + 5 specific) ☐ Configure base relationships ☐ Test manual data entry

**WEEK 2:** ☐ Base layout for LOG (process list) ☐ Specific layouts for TSK, PRJ, RCH, TEH, APR ☐ Script for auto-generation ProcessID (format PRXYNNNN)

**WEEK 3:** ☐ Portal integration between LOG and specific tables ☐ Filters for Status, Client, Responsible ☐ Test workflow TSK→PRJ→RCH→TEH→APR

**WEEK 4:** ☐ Operational dashboard ☐ Base reporting ☐ Team training and feedback

### 💛 CONTINUOUS SUPPORT

### **For specific technical doubts:**

1. Always test first on 10-20 records
2. Performance problems → check indexing
3. Relationship problems → verify 1:1 cardinality
4. UI problems → simplify before adding complexity

**Remember: 3P3 is simple in concept, the difficulty is resisting the temptation to complicate!**

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## **CONCLUSION**

This document gives you the **philosophical compass** (controlling the entity) and **concrete technical solutions** (LOG schema + specific tables) to implement 3P3 in FileMaker.

**The secret of success:** Start simple, test frequently, and always remember that we are "controlling entities through actions and resources".

**Next document:** Hierarchical DNA and Automatic Generation Algorithms

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*"Everything is a Process - including understanding 3P3!"*