Relational Database Preservation Standards and Tools

Workshop guide

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Here a list of the steps to be demonstrated will be presented to help attendants follow the demonstrations. The workshop will be divided in three themes, that are relevant in the archive preservation workflow: extraction from live system, validation upon reception, and access information.

Preparation

Do you have a laptop? Then:

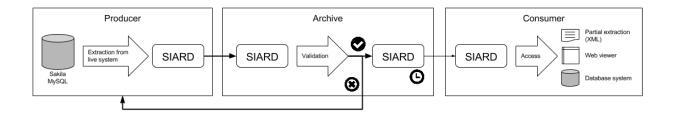
- 1. Request your pen drive with the software pack.
- No pen drive? http://provided_address/pack.zip
 http://bit.ly/ipres16-db-pack
- 3. Unzip contents of software pack to your Desktop folder rename it to WORKSHOP08
- 4. Access the wireless "WORKSHOP08" with password "databases"

Scenario

The Sakila sample database will be used to demonstrate the features. This database is designed to represent a DVD rental store, with entities such as the stores, clients, staff, films, rentals and relationships between them.

We will be demonstrating three scenarios:

- 1. The extraction of a database from a live system into a SIARD file
- 2. Validating the SIARD file
- 3. Using a viewer to explore the contents of the SIARD file



1. Extraction from live system

A live MySQL database is provided in the system and a tool will be used to extract all information into a SIARD file. Two tools will be presented: Database preservation toolkit and SIARD Suite.

1.A. Database preservation toolkit

Execute the following steps:

- **1.A.1.** Go to the software pack, and in the folder <code>01-db-visualization-toolkit</code> on your file explorer
- **1.A.2.** Open a terminal
 - On Windows:

SHIFT+Right Click the folder and select "Open command window here"

On Mac OS:

CMD+SPACE, write "Terminal" and press ENTER, then change into the 01-db-visualization-toolkit directory. Example:

cd ~/Desktop/WORKSHOP08/01-db-preservation-toolkit

On Linux

Right Click the folder and select "Open in terminal"

- **1.A.3.** Execute the following command:
 - On Windows:

migrate.bat provided address

• On Mac OS:

./migrate.sh provided address

• On Linux:

./migrate.sh provided address

EXERCISE #1

Rename the created SIARD file to "sakila-siard2.zip", unzip it and open file "header/metadata.xml":

#1.1. What is the database product version (i.e. MySQL version)?

#1.2. How many rows are in "actor" table?

1.B. SIARD Suite

- **1.B.1.** Go to the software pack, and in the folder 02-SIARD-Suite-1.89 on your file explorer
- 1.B.2. Start SIARD Suite
 - On Windows (needs Java installed):

Doubleclick siardedit.cmd

• On Mac OS and Linux (with Java installed):

Run siardedit.sh (either by doubleclick, or in a Terminal)

• On Windows (without Java)

Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)

Execute: ..\05-db-visualization-toolkit\jre\ windows\bin\java.exe

-jar bin/SiardEdit.jar

• On Mac OS (without Java)

Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)

Execute: ../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/ mac/bin/java -jar

bin/SiardEdit.jar

• On Linux (without Java)

Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)

Execute: ../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/ linux/bin/java -jar

bin/SiardEdit.jar

- **1.B.3.** Import from Database:
 - 1. Click File > New from database ...
 - 2. Choose location to save SIARD file (e.g. Desktop) and enter filename (e.g. sakila-siard1), then click Save
 - 3. Configure database connection

Connection type: MySQL

Connection Info: provided address/sakila

Database user: ipres
Database password: ipres

Click Open

- 1.B.4. Wait until the database export finished, then click Exit
 - You can now view the file in SiardEdit and change Metadata (Click Apply beneath fields or File > Save to apply changes)
 - You can rename the file to "sakila-siard1.siard.zip" and unzip it

EXERCISE #2

Browse the siard-file using SIARDEdit. Fill out the missing metadata fields "Data owner prior to archiving" and "Data creation time span" and save the changes. Add/change other descriptions.

2. Validating the SIARD file

2.A. Using KOST-val

- 2.A.1. Go to the software pack, and in the folder <code>03-KOST-Val</code> on your file explorer
- **2.A.2.** Perform validation using KOST-Val
 - GUI (Windows only):
 - a. Doubleclick KOST-Val en.exe
 - b. Click Select File ... and choose sakila-siard1.siard
 - c. Click Validate
 - d. Click Yes to show detailed result in Browser
 - Command Line Windows
 - a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
 - b. Execute command:

```
resources\jre6\bin\java.exe -jar kostval_en.jar --format ..\sakila siard1.siard
```

- c. Detailed logfile can be found in folder logs
- Command Line Mac OS
 - a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
 - b. Execute command:

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar kostval en.jar --format ../sakila siard1.siard
```

- c. Detailed logfile can be found in folder logs
- Command Line Linux
 - a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
 - b. Execute command:

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/linux/bin/java -jar kostval en.jar --format ../sakila siard1.siard
```

c. Detailed logfile can be found in folder logs

EXERCISE #3

Validate the provided sakila invalid.siard file with KOST-Val. What is wrong with this file?

3. Accessing information in the SIARD file

Two tools will be presented that aim to display information contained in a SIARD file: SIARDexcerpt and Database visualization toolkit.

3.A. SIARDexcerpt

- **3.A.1.** Go to the software pack, and in the folder 04-SIARDexcerpt on your file explorer
- **3.A.2.** Perform extraction using SIARDexcerpt
 - GUI (Windows only):
 - a. Doubleclick SIARDexcerpt en.exe
 - b. Click Select File ... and choose sakila-siard1.siard
 - c. Enter Configuration: country
 - d. Click Run
 - e. Search (e.g. for land) (click Run, click Yes)
 - f. Click on 3. Excerption
 - g. Search for a certain Id (e.g. 91) (click Run, click Yes)
 - Command Line Windows
 - a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
 - b. Execute command to initialize with "country":

```
resources\jre6\bin\java.exe -jar siardexcerpt_en.jar ..\path\to\sakila-siard1.siard country --init
```

c. Execute command, to search for "land":

```
resources\jre6\bin\java.exe -jar siardexcerpt_en.jar
..\path\to\sakila-siard1.siard country --search land
```

d. Inspect file *Output\sakila_siard1.siard_land_SIARDsearch.xml* to identify Id of record to be extracted (e.g. 91), then execute command:

```
resources\jre6\bin\java.exe -jar siardexcerpt_en.jar ..\path\to\sakila-siard1.siard country --excerpt 91
```

e. Database Excerpt can be found in file Output\sakila_siard1.siard_91_SIARDexcerpt.xml

- Command Line Mac OS
 - a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
 - b. Execute command to initialize with "country":

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--init
```

c. Execute command, to search for "land":

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--search land
```

d. Inspect file *Output/sakila_siard1.siard_land_SIARDsearch.xml* to identify Id of record to be extracted (e.g. 91), then execute command:

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--excerpt 91
```

e. Database Excerpt can be found in file Output/sakila_siard1.siard_91_SIARDexcerpt.xml

• Command Line - Linux

- a. Open a Terminal (See 1.A.2 for instructions)
- b. Execute command to initialize with "country":

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--init
```

c. Execute command, to search for "land":

```
../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--search land
```

d. Inspect file *Output/sakila_siard1.siard_land_SIARDsearch.xml* to identify Id of record to be extracted (e.g. 91), then execute command:

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../05-db-visualization-toolkit/jre/mac/bin/java -jar
siardexcerpt_en.jar ../path/to/sakila-siard1.siard country
--excerpt 91
```

e. Database Excerpt can be found in file Output/sakila_siard1.siard_91_SIARDexcerpt.xml

EXERCISE #4

Run initialisation without a configuration (use "(..)" for no configuration). #4.1. Which table is automatically identified as the "main" table of the database?

Having initialised SIARDexcerpt with (..), search for "ven":

- #4.2. Who lives at "943 Johannesburg Avenue"?
- #4.3. What about "23 Workhaven Lane"?
- #4.4. Are they customers or staff?

3.B. Database Visualization Toolkit

OPTION 1

A server is available at http://provided_address:8080/ to explore a Sakila database loaded with additional descriptive metadata.

OPTION 2

To set up your own, execute the following steps:

- **3.B.1.** Go to the software pack, and in the folder 05-db-visualization-toolkit
- **3.B.2.** Open a terminal
- **3.B.3.** Execute the following command, and keep the terminal window open:
 - On Linux:

./start.sh

On Mac OS:

./start.command

On Windows:

start.bat

3.B.4. The server will be available at http://127.0.0.1:8080/ preloaded with Sakila database

EXERCISE #5

Using the searches and filters find out:

#5.1. How many movies have the word "amazing"?

#5.2. Find the rentals by "Eleanor Hunt" in August 2005. How many films did he rent?

OPTION 2 CLEANUP

3.B.5. If you'd like to add more databases, checkout the instructions of the 3.A.3 step output **3.B.6.** To shutdown the server, execute the following steps:

• On Linux, execute the command:

./stop.sh

• On Mac OS, execute the command:

./stop.command

- On Windows:
 - a. Close both terminal windows that opened when the server was started
 - b. Execute the command:

stop.bat

(some Windows versions output errors when executing this command; the errors can be safely ignored)