







ISO PC 295 Audit Data Collection

Analysis of information requirements in CD1 1022 Proposal for modelling the requirements

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Normalisation of data (1)

- A lot of elements in CD1 are copied in multiple tables. The tables define a flat file exchange format. Maintenance and consistency of the information is very difficult if a lot of elements are copied around.
- When using ISO 17113 Method for development of messages, we maintain all data elements in a relational model without redundancy. From this model we can still generate the flat file exchange format in which a complete hierarchy of information can be exchanged in one table.

But we can also support object-oriented exchange formats like XML and JSON.





Normalisation of data (2) - Example 1

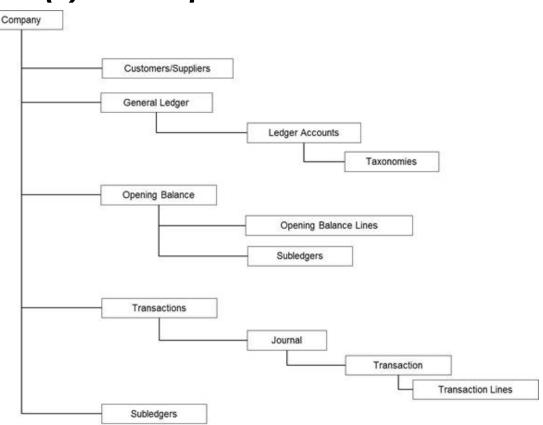
Trial Balance

- * GL Account Number
- * Amount currency
- * Amount reporting currency
- * Amount local currency
- * Amount beginning (3x)
- * Amount ending (3x)
- General Ledger Detail

* ...

CD1: Flat tables

redundancy, only flat structure support, difficult to maintain



Dutch Autit File: Modelled, object oriented

no redundancy, support for object oriented exchange formats (XML, JSON), easier to maintain, easier to create extensions

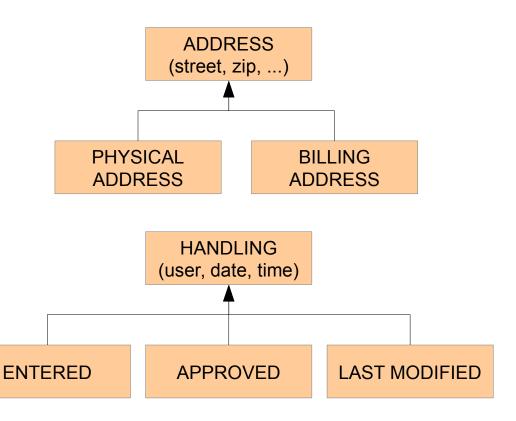




Normalisation of data (3) - Example 2

Customer/Supplier Listing

- * Physical Address (street, zip, ...)
- * Billing Address (street, zip, ...)
- * Entered (user, date, time)
- * Approved (user, date, time)
- * Last modified (user, date, time)



Reusable structures, less elements to maintain, support for other exchange formats (XML, JSON) using ISO 17113.





Normalisation of data (4) - First normalisation step

- First normalisation step on CD1, by creating reusable information blocks (entities):
 - * ADDRES
 - * AMOUNT AND CURRENCY
 - * CONTACT
 - * HANDLING
 - * TAX
 - * SUBSIDIARY ITEM

Number of fields defined in CD1 Tables: **1376**, Number of fields (attributes) defined, after normalisation in datamodel: **893**, Reduction of **483** field specifications = **35**% to maintain.





Normalisation of data (5) - Further possible steps

- Further possible normalisation steps on CD1, combining tables into reusable information blocks (entities):
 - * CUSTOMER / SUPPLIER
 - * SALES CONTRACT / PURCHASE CONTRACT
 - * SALES ORDERS / PURCHASE ORDERS
 - * AR ADJUSTMENT / AP ADJUSTMENT
 - * AR CASH APPLICATION / AP CASH APPLICATION
 - * INVOICE GENERATED / INVOICE RECEIVED
 - * CASH RECEIVED / PAYMENT MADE etc.
 - * PPE ADDITION / PPE REMOVAL / PPE CHANGE

This will remove another more then **200** field specifications to maintain!





Normalisation of data (6) - Reusability

Flat structure, currently used in ISO tables:

INVOICE GENERATED 1..*, R

INVOICE GENERATED LINE 1..*, R

Nested structure, normally used in XML messages:

INVOICE GENERATED 1..*, R

TAX 1..4, R (is 4 repeats enough?)

INVOICE GENERATED LINE 1..*, R

TAX 1..4, R





Datamodelling work done so far

- All tables in CD1 have been modelled into Audit Data Collection Datamodel. The complete model is there!
- First normalisation step has been perfomed (see slide 6)
- Naming conventions have been applied, for instance:
 - * Currency -> Currency code
 - * Employee Title -> Job Title
- Errors in datatypes have been corrected
- Tables from CD1 have been generated from the datamodel:
 - * AuditDataCollection_FunctionalTables (definitions, domains)
 - * AuditDataCollection_TechnicalTables (flat file spec, field sequence)





AuditDataCollection_FunctionalTables (1) - Tables

BUSINESS SEGMENT	1*,	R
BUSINESS SEGMENT		
<u>Datamodel entity description</u>		
The portions of an organizational chart that is reflected in the business transact	ions	
as structural units (e.g. business unit, department, cost center, project, etc.)		
<u>Datamodel entity comments</u>		
02	_	
Business Segment ID	R	an25
domain: IDENTIFIER 25		
<u>Datamodel description</u> Identifier that is unique for each business segment.		
	R	an25
Segment Name domain: NAME 25	ĸ	all25
Datamodel description		
Name of the business segment.		
Segment Reference Level	R	n2
domain: BUSINESS SEGMENT REFERENCE LEVEL		
Datamodel description		
Relative level of the segment with 1 being the consolidated level and		
numbers increasing through lower levels.		
Organizational Name	R	an60
domain: NAME 60		
<u>Datamodel description</u>		
Indicate the name of the organization type, can		
fill in Department, Business Unit, etc.		





AuditDataCollection_FunctionalTables (2) - Domains Domain specifications

Valid From

Valid To

A

Name : **ACCOUNT HIERARCHY**Datatype : Signed Integer, total digits 2

Format : n..2

Name : ACCOUNT TYPE

Datatype : Alpha Numeric, maximum length 25 (variable length)

Format : an..25

Name : ACTIVE FLAG CODE

Datatype : Alpha Numeric, maximum length 1 (variable length)

Format : an..1

Code list : Active Flag Code
Code(s) : Value Name

N Inactive Y Active

Name : ADJUSTMENT INDICATOR

Datatype : Alpha Numeric, maximum length 1 (variable length)

Format : an..1

Code list : Adjustment Indicator

Code(s) : Value Name Valid From Valid To

0 Transaction is the original shipment transaction.

1 Transaction is a shipment adjustment.

Name : AMOUNT

Datatype : Signed Monetary Amount, total digits 22, decimals 6

Format : n..22,6





AuditDataCollection_TechnicalTables (1)

Inhouse file specifications:

Flat file type: Variable Field Length Records
Decimal separator: [.] (dot character, ascii=46)

Field delimiter: [;] (semi-colon character, ascii=59)

Escape method: Quote alfanumeric fields if it contains the field separator or quote character

(quotes in the data will be doubled)

Text delimiter: ["] (double quote character, ascii=34)

Quote all text fields: No

Record types in the inhouse file:

SEG, BUSINESS SEGMENT	1*, R
REL, BUSINESS SEGMENT RELATIONSHIP	0*, O
EMP, EMPLOYEE	0*, O
USR, USER	0*, O
CST, CUSTOMER TYPE	0*, O
CUS, CUSTOMER	0*, O





AuditDataCollection_TechnicalTables (2)

Record CUS: CUSTOMER		0*	0*, O	
CUSTOMER				
Sequence 1	'CUS'	R	an3	
2	Customer ID	R	an60	
3	Customer Number	R	an60	
15	Terms Due Days	0	n6	
	PHYSICAL ADDRESS customer - PHYSICAL ADDRESS	11,	R	
16	Street Name Line 1	R	an100	
17	Street Name Line 2	0	an100	
18	City Name	R	an100	
19	State Province Code	0	an6	
20	Country Code	R	an3	
21	ZIP Postal Code	R	an20	
I	BILLING ADDRESS customer - BILLING ADDRESS	11,	R	
22	Street Name Line 1	R	an100	
23	Street Name Line 2	0	an100	
24	City Name	R	an100	
25	State Province Code	0	an6	
26	Country Code	R	an3	
27	ZIP Postal Code	R	an20	





Next steps towards CD2

- Verify the documents generated from the datamodel in the international working group
 - * AuditDataCollection FunctionalTables
 - * AuditDataCollection_TechnicalTables
- Decide on using the datamodel as basis for generating the tables
- Decide on further normalisation steps for the datamodel
- Discuss and decide on the open issues:
 - * Issue 1 Codes versus names
 - * Issue 2 Abbreviation
 - * Issue 3 Codelists are missing
 - * Issue 4 Address structure
 - ★ Issue 5 Other issues found while modelling
- The Dutch team can support maintaining the data model!





Issue 1 - Codes versus names

- Normally a code is a small field, that identifies a certain name, but is not understandable for a human (no semantics).
- The name is a longer field which makes it understandable for a human (semantics).
- In CD1 the coded field is often longer than the name field!
 - * Customer Type Code, an..100 Customer Type Name, an..80
 - * Supplier Type Code, an..80 Customer Type Name, an..80
 - * Journal Entry Type Code, an..60 Journal Entry Type Name, an..60
 - * Transaction Type Code, an..60 Transaction Type Name, an..60
 - * (many more)





Issue 2 - Abbreviation

- An abbreviation of a name is smaller than the name itself
- In CD1 the abbreviation fields often have the same length!
 - * Customer Abbreviation, an..100 Customer (Account) Name, an..100
 - * Supplier Abbreviation, an..100 Supplier (Account) Name, an..100
 - * JE Type Abbreviation, an..20 JE Type Name, an..60
 - * Measurement Unit Abbreviation, **an..60** Measurement Unit Name, **an..80**





Issue 3 - Codelists are missing (1)

- A lot of codelists in CD1 are not specified
- By specifying codelists, more semantics are added to the exchange formats, which makes it easier to generate and to process! Examples:
 - * Supplier Type Code
 - * Account Type, Account Subtype in 'Chart of accounts'
 - **★** Journal Entry Type Code
 - * Document Type Code
 - * Transaction Type Code
 - * Measurement Unit Code
 - * ..





Issue 3 - Codelists are missing (2)

- TAX.Tax Type Code no codelist specified!
 - * Possible codes:
 - » VAT (btw)
 - » Excise (accijns)
 - » Insurance tax (assurantie belasting)
 - * Or (in this case a repeat of 4 might nog be enough):
 - » VAT high (btw hoog tarief)
 - » VAT low (btw laag tarief)
 - » VAT other (btw overige tarieven)
 - » Excise (accijns)
 - » ...





Issue 4 - Address structure

- House number and House number extension are missing in the address structures used in CD1. This makes mapping from many national and internation address standards very difficult.
- The address structure should be checked against other address standards.





Other issues found while modelling

- Remarks previously reported (e.g. names, descriptions conform ISO 11179)
- Table 2: Length of Unique BS ID is 25, but the fields in other tables, that link to the BS ID has different length. F.i. Department Code has length 60 instead of 25.
- Table 16: Measurement Unit Code has length 80 in this table. But in other tables, measurement Unit Code has different length
- Table 23: File Content Hierarchy has representation string %2s, that should be integer %2d
- Table 10: Balance Debit Or Credit indicator (debit, credit) is different from the debit credit indicator in table 26 (D,C).
- Table 26: Cancellation Sign, Boolean field is not defined. I suggest to use string %1s, with values Y and N
- Table 28: Corresponding File, description not clear.
- Table 29: Field 15 and 16, debit and credit indication differs from debit credit indication f.i. in table 26
- Table 38: Sales Measurement Unit Code has length 60, in table 16 it has length 80. Description of "Unit Price Tax incl." should be "The unit price (including tax)". Description of "Amount Tax incl." should be "The amount (including tax)"
- Table 40: Dispatch Unit Code has representation %22.6f, this should be %80s. Sales Order Line Measurement Unit Code has representation %25s, in table 16, it has %80s.
- Table 42: Quantity Basic Measurement Unit has %22.6f, this should be %20.6f for Quantity. Field 33, 34, 35, has wrong descriptions (debit, credit).
- ... and many more ...