An Experimental, Comprehensive Data Dictionary

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ABSTRACT

This paper describes an experimental Comprehensive Data Dictionary (CDD). The purpose of the CDD is to describe all data objects precisely, from bits to databases, so that programs may manipulate these objects without continually redefining them.

The most complex part of the description concerns the ways in which data objects relate to each other. By precisely describing these relationships, the CDD allows relatively simple processors to perform the functions of database management systems (IMAGE), screen drivers (V/3000), report generators, query processors (QUERY) and other subsystems.

Application programs may be developed with relatively little effort since all descriptions, relationships, and conversions are described by the CDD and need not be included in the program.

The experimental CDD is described in detail and the experience of mapping applications into it is shared. Strengths and weaknesses are assessed and the direction of future developments indicated.

INTRODUCTION

Centrality of Data

A mature view of data processing is that programs are functions operating on data. This idea may be expressed in mathematical notation as:

Y := F(X)

where Y is the set of output data, X is the set of input data and F is the function of the program.

Very often the function is fairly simple and, when the program is examined, one finds that most of the program is concerned with describing either the data in sets X and Y, or elementary transformations between them. The actual, functional parts of the program constitute a relatively small portion of the total code. The problem is compounded by the need to repeat the data descriptions and elementary transformations in each and every program.

It is the purpose of a Comprehensive Data Dictionary to provide these descriptions in one central location. This has three immediate benefits for programs. First it eliminates the need to repeat the descriptions in each program, thereby considerably shortening the programs. Second, it provides a single, consistent description for all programs, thus eliminating conflicts. Third, it makes it possible to build general-purpose programs such as query processors, report generators, etc., thereby eliminating the need for most programming.

Traditional Weakness of Data Descriptions

The problem may not have begun with FORTRAN, but as the first popular, high-level language, FORTRAN did much to promote the idea that code was the main problem of data processing and data was only incidental to the code. Early FORTRAN compilers not only didn't require data declarations but, except for arrays, did not even permit them. Variables were "declared" simply by mentioning their names in the program. Data type was determined by the first letter of the variable name.

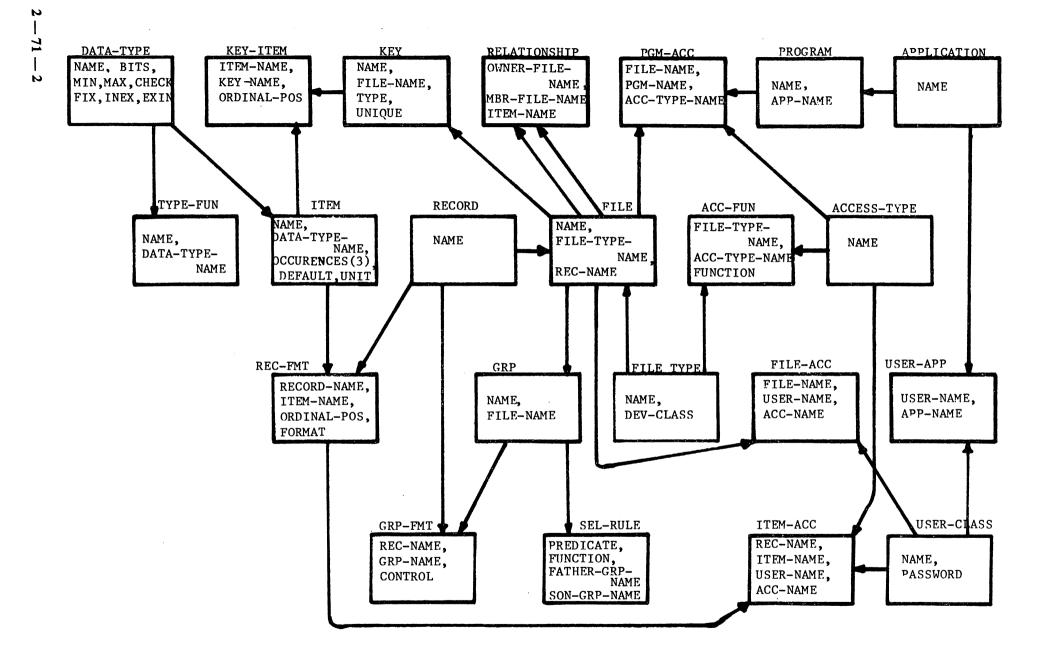
Later languages such as COBOL, and most recently PASCAL, have done much to restore data descriptions to their proper position where data within the program is concerned. Likewise systems developed in the last decade have included descriptions of data external to programs such as the schema of IMAGE and forms file of V/3000.

Each of these data descriptions, however, has only spanned a small and specific portion of the data used by an application. Not only does this result in a fragmented description, but numerous problems are created when the various descriptions do not totally coincide at the boundaries between them.

The Comprehensive Data Dictionary

The purpose of the Comprehensive Data Dictionary (CDD) is to provide a single source for descriptions of all data elements in an application. This includes simple data items, aggregations such as arrays, records, internal files including databases, and external files including reports and screens. Although not properly part of the data descriptions, it is easy to add access and security information to the CDD as well.

It is important to implement the CDD in such a way that it can be easily read by an automatic processor





(report generator, query processor, program generator, etc.) as well as by people. Typically, the processor would read and store internally the descriptions relevant to the particular function being performed at the time.

The Experiment

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There comes a point where theoretical work must be reconciled with the "real world." That is the purpose of this experiment. The CDD model has been derived on a solid theoretical basis. The model conforms to that of a normalized network database. It has been implemented using a relation database system.

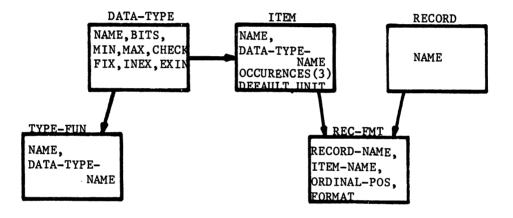
The CDD, thus implemented, has been used to, first, describe itself, a non-trivial exercise. Next a variety of applications, drawn from a production environment, have been described in the CDD. Some weaknesses have been uncovered by this process, as well as some things that work very well.

THE COMPREHENSIVE DATA DICTIONARY

A data structure diagram is used to describe the CDD as shown in Figure 1. This model, with its 22 entities, 29 relationships, and 37 attributes, is too detailed to describe as a whole. Instead, it will be described in six parts in the following sections. The reader may, however, wish to refer to Figure 1 from time-to-time to see how the various parts are related.

Data-Item Part

This part of the CDD describes data items, their aggregations, and their components. This part of the CDD is shown in Figure 2.





Before data items can be defined, it is necessary to define the basic data-types. Data-types may be defined in terms of their descriptions and the operations that may be performed on them. The descriptions and a basic set of functions are contained in the DATA-TYPE entity. Arithmetic, logical, and other functions are named, but not described in the TYPE-FUN entity.

An item may be a single occurrence of a date-type, or an array of up to three dimensions. A record is an aggregation of items and may be either an internal file, such as a disk file or database, or an external file such as a screen or report.

Record-format describes how items are related to records including position and format.

The following contains a description of each entity, its attributes, and relationships for this part.

ENTITY: DATA-TYPE

This entity describes a fundamental data-type such as byte, integer, real, etc. Only rarely should it be necessary to add a data-type once the basic set is in place. However, provision is made to describe new data-types in terms of their attributes. No semantic descriptions are provided.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of eight bytes containing the name of the data-type. This name will be referenced from other entities.

Attribute: BITS

The number of bits required by this data-type. Datatypes will be assumed to start on word boundaries (high order end) except where assembled into arrays where they may be packed.

Attribute: MIN

This is the minimum value allowed for data of this type. Sixty-four bits are allowed for its representation. However, only the number of bits specified by the "BITS" attribute are used. If the numeric value of MIN cannot be represented in sixty-four bits or less, the value will be left justified and all truncated bits will be assumed to be zeroes.

Attribute: MAX

This is the maximum value allowed for data of this type. Storage is the same as for "MIN." If the numeric value of MAX cannot be represented in sixty-four bits

or less the value will be left justified and all truncated bits will be assumed to be zeroes.

Attribute: CHECK

This is the name of a procedure which will check representations of this data-type to see if they contain legal values. It returns only a true/false indication.

Attribute: FIX

This is the name of a procedure which will check representations of this data-type to see if they contain legal values. In case of an illegal value, it will replace the illegal value with a default value appropriate to the illegal value. It may also return an indication of the error.

Attribute: INEX

This is the name of a procedure which will convert an internal representation of this data-type to an external (ASCII) form. In addition to the value of the data-item, it may also use a format description (see REC-FMT) to specify options in the conversion.

Attribute: EXIN

This is the name of a procedure which will convert an external representation of this data-type to an internal form. Again, a format description may be used to specify options in the conversion.

Relationship: TYPE-FUN

DATA-TYPE is related 1:N to TYPE-FUN. Each related TYPE-FUN is a legitimate function to use with this DATA-TYPE. The linking data-item is DATA-TYPE-NAME.

Relationship: ITEM

DATA-TYPE is related 1:N to ITEM. Each related ITEM is of this DATA-TYPE. The linking data-item is DATA-TYPE-NAME.

ENTITY: TYPE-FUN

This entity represents each function that is associated with a data-type.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of eight bytes that gives the name of the function.

Attribute: DATA-TYPE-NAME

The name of the data-type for which this is a function. Relationship: DATA-TYPE

DATA-FUN is related N:1 to DATA-TYPE. The linking data-item is DATA-TYPE-NAME.

ENTITY: ITEM

This entity describes each unique data-item. The item may be a simple variable, or an array in 1, 2, or 3 dimensions.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of 12 bytes containing the name of the item.

Attribute: DATA-TYPE-NAME

The data-type of which this item is one occurrence.

Attribute: DEFAULT

A default value which is to be used for this item when no other value is available. Sixty-four bits are allowed for its representation, but only the bits required are used. In the case of array items, only the value for one element of the array is given.

Attribute: OCCURRENCES

This is a triple valued attribute which gives the three dimensions of the array if this item is an array. For a simple data-item, this attribute will have the value 1,1,1. For a one-dimensional array of order N, it will have the values N,1,1. For a two-dimensional array, values M,N,1; for three dimensions, values L,M,N.

Attribute: UNIT

This attribute is an ASCII string of eight characters used to indicate the unit of measurement, such as feet, vards, meters, etc. if no units of measurement are required, this field will be null.

Relationship: DATA-TYPE

ITEM is related N:1 to DATA-TYPE. Each item is of exactly one DATA-TYPE. DATA-TYPE-NAME is the linking data-item.

Relationship: REC-FMT

ITEM is related 1:N to REC-FMT. The linking dataitem is ITEM-NAME.

Relationship: KEY-ITEM

ITEM is related 1:N to KEY-ITEM, with ITEM-NAME as the linking data-item. This relationship indicates which items are used as keys.

ENTITY: RECORD

This entity names a logical record which can be a part of one or more files. The record contains one or more data-items and may be of internal or external value.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string sixteen bytes long containing the name of the record. This name will be referenced by other entities.

Relationship: REC-FMT

RECORD is related 1:N to REC-FMT, with RECORD-NAME as the linking data-item. This relationship defines the items contained in the record, their location, and their format.

Relationship: FILE

RECORD is related 1:N to FILE, and the linking data-item is RECORD-NAME. This relationship exists only for internal files and identifies the files in which each record occurs.

Relationship: GRP-FMT

RECORD is related 1:N to GRP-FMT, with the linking data-item being RECORD-NAME. This relationship exists only for external files and identifies the groups (and ultimately files) in which each record occurs.

ENTITY: REC-FMT

This entity (record format) represents the unique in-

tersection of one item and one record. The entity contains information on how the item is related to the record.

Attribute: RECORD-NAME

The record name of which REC-FMT is a member. Attribute: ITEM-NAME

The name of the item being described.

Attribute: ORDINAL-POS

An integer stating the ordinal position (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) of the item in the record.

Attribute: FORMAT

This is a description of the format of the item for this particular record. This attribute will be used to determine dollar signs, commas, and other external features. The internal representation is indicated by a default format.

Relationship: ITEM-ACC

REC-FMT is related 1:N to ITEM-ACC, and the ITEM-NAME provides the link. This relationship exists as part of the security provisions and determines the access allowed each user-class to each item within each record.

Relationship: ITEM

REC-FMT is related N:1 to ITEM. The linking dataitem is ITEM-NAME.

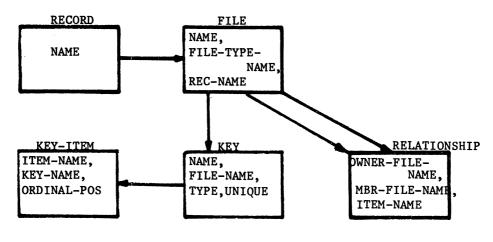
Relationship: RECORD

REC-FMT is related N:1 to RECORD, with RECORD-NAME providing the linkage.

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Internal File Part

This portion of the CDD describes internal files including disk files, databases, etc. This part of the CDD is shown in Figure 3.





Each record type occurs in one or more files. Each file, usually has one or more keys by which records may be identified and retrieved. Each key, in turn, may consist of one or more data-items. The relationship between keys and data items is described by the entity KEY-ITEM.

The entity RELATIONSHIP is used to describe the relationship between records in one file and records in another file. For a given relationship, a file is either the owner or a member of the relationship. If a file is the owner of a relationship, the following conditions prevail:

1. Each owner record is related to zero or more records in the member file.

2. Each owner record shares with its member records a common value of the linking data-item.

3. An owner record may not be deleted if it is related to one or more member records.

The reader may recognize IMAGE "master" records as being owner types. In IMAGE the relationships are indicated by "chains" of pointers. Likewise, from the following constraints on member records, it may be seen that IMAGE "detail" records are member records.

1. Each member record is related to exactly one owner record in the relationship.

2. All member records share with their owner record a common value of the linking data-item.

3. A member record may not be added if no owner record exists with which it shares a common value of the linking data-item.

These rules not only define how a relationship is established between records in different files, but also prevent the infamous insertion and deletion anamolies from occurring in a normalized database. A file may simultaneously be a member of zero or more relationships and the owner of zero or more relationships. Note that in data structure diagrams, such as Figure 1, the arrow always points from the owner to the member in a relationship.

This description of internal files with keys and relationships, is equivalent to a database schema. Thus the CDD subsumes the part of the database management system.

The entities not previously described are as follows:

ENTITY: FILE

The entity FILE describes a unique file of a given name. Files can be external in form, such as reports and screens, or internal in the form of disk and other storage medium files. External files may contain a variety of records and these records are collected into groups. The entities GRP and GRP-FMT are used to relate records to external files. Internal files normally contain one type of record. This relationship is shown by the 1:N relationship from record to file. An internal file may have one or more keys and relationships between internal files are given by the RELATIONSHIP entity.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string with a maximum of twenty-six bytes containing the file name, group name, and account name necessary for accessing the file. This name will be referenced by other entities.

Attribute: FILE-TYPE-NAME

The name of the file-type to which a given file belongs.

Attribute: RECORD-NAME

The name of the record which occurs repeatedly to form the file. This attribute is valid only for internal files and will default when the file is of external form.

Relationship: FILE-TYPE

FILE is related N:1 to FILE-TYPE. The linking data-item is FILE-TYPE-NAME. This relationship indicates the file-type and, by implication, the functions for each file.

Relationship: FILE-ACC

This is a 1:N relationship between FILE and FILE-ACC with a linking data-item of FILE-NAME. The relationship indicates the access modes allowed to specific user-class for this file.

Relationship: PGM-ACC

FILE is related 1:N to PGM-ACC. The linking dataitem is FILE-NAME. This relationship indicates the access mode used by a given program for each file.

Relationship: RECORD

FILE is related N:1 to RECORD with the linking data-item being RECORD-NAME. This relationship is valid only for files of an internal form and shows the normal pattern of one record type for an internal file.

Relationship: KEY

FILE is related 1:N to KEY and the linking data-item is FILE-NAME. Entity KEY and this relationship are valid only for internal files. Each key is a legitimate search item for the related file.

Relationship: GROUP

FILE is related 1:N to GROUP with the linking dataitem being FILE-NAME. This relationship is valid only for external files and indicates the groups of records that are included in this file.

Relationship: OWNER-RELATIONSHIP

FILE is related to the entity RELATIONSHIP on the order of 1:N with OWNER-FILE-NAME being the linking data-item. This links each owner file to its corresponding relationships.

Relationship: MEMBER-RELATIONSHIP

FILE is related to the entity RELATIONSHIP on the order of 1:N with MEMBER-FILE-NAME being the linking data item. This links each member file to its corresponding relationship.

ENTITY: RELATIONSHIP

Attribute: OWNER-FILE-NAME

An ASCII string of 26 bytes that names the file which "owns" the relationship.

Attribute: MEMBER-FILE-NAME

An ASCII string of 12 bytes that names the file which is a "member" of the relationship.

Attribute: ITEM-NAME

An ASCII string of 12 bytes that names the data-item whose value is shared by the owner record and member records in this relationship.

Relationship: OWNER-FILE

RELATIONSHIP is related N:1 to FILE with OWNER-FILE-NAME being the linking data item. This links each member file to its corresponding relationships.

Relationship: MEMBER-FILE

RELATIONSHIP is related N:1 to FILE with MEMBER-FILE-NAME being the linking data-item. This links each member file to its corresponding relationships.

ENTITY: KEY

This entity identifies any and all keys for each internal file. The entity contains information on the name of the key, the file name to which it belongs, and the type of key.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII string of 16 bytes containing the name of the key. This name will be referenced by KEY-ITEM. *Attribute: FILE-NAME*

The name of the file to which a given key belongs.

Attribute: TYPE

This attribute is used to define the method of accessing a record by using the key. The type will differ according to whether the file is a sequential file, database file, etc.

Attribute: UNIQUE

This attribute has a value which is either true or false. If true, then each value of the key must be distinct from all other values of the key.

Relationship: KEY-ITEM

KEY is related 1:N to KEY-ITEM, with KEY-NAME providing the linkage. Any given key consists of one or more occurrences of KEY-ITEM. This allows a key to consist of composite data-items.

Relationship: FILE

KEY is related N:1 to FILE, with FILE-NAME providing the linkage.

ENTITY: KEY-ITEM

This entity represents the unique intersection of one key and one item. The entity contains information on how the item is related to the key.

Attribute: ITEM-NAME

The name of the item being described.

Attribute: KEY-NAME

The key name of which KEY-ITEM is a member. Attribute: ORDINAL-POS

An integer stating the ordinal position (1st, 2nd, 3rd,

etc.) of the item in the key.

Relationship: KEY

KEY-ITEM is related N:1 to KEY, with KEY-NAME being the linking data-item.

Relationship: ITEM

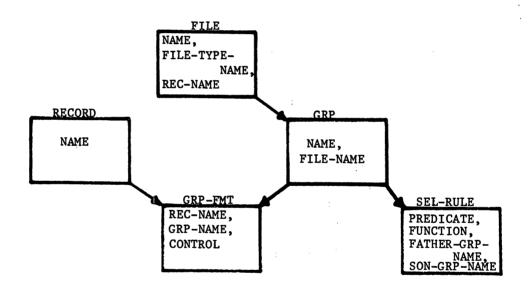
KEY-ITEM is related N:1 to ITEM, with ITEM-NAME being the linking data-item.

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External File Part

External files are those which are displayed externally from the computer system and generally are intended to be read and/or written by people as well as machines. Included in this category are formatted screens, reports, and graphical presentations.

Unlike internal files, which normally contain only one type of record, external files typically contain a variety of records. Organizing and sequencing this variety of records is the principal challenge in this part. The entities concerned in this organization are shown in Figure 4.





Each file consists of an aggregation of "groups" (GRP). A group is a group of records. The placement of each record within the group is controlled by the entity "group-format" (GRP-FMT). Since, typically, the rules for determining which group follows the previous one are data dependent, provision is made for a "selection rule" (SEL-RULE) to determine the sequence of groups within the file.

Descriptions of the entities from this part are as follows:

ENTITY: GROUP

This entity exists for external files only and names each specific group of records which are part of a given file. An external file consists of one or more groups, each group containing one or more records.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of 16 bytes that names each group.

Attribute: FILE-NAME

The name of the file to which the group belongs.

Relationship: GRP-FMT

GROUP is related 1:N to GRP-FMT, with GROUP-NAME providing the link. Any given group consists of one or more occurrences of GRP-FMT. This relationship defines the records contained in the group.

Relationship: SEL-RULE

GROUP is related 1:N to SEL-RULE, with the link-

ing data-item being GROUP-NAME. SEL-RULE (selection rule) determines if the current group will be repeated or a new group will be selected.

Relationship: FILE

GROUP is related N:1 to FILE, with the linking data-item being FILE-NAME.

ENTITY: GRP-FMT

This entity (group format) represents the unique intersection of one record and one group. It contains information on how the record is related to the group. *Attribute: RECORD-NAME*

The name of the record being described.

Attribute: GROUP-NAME

The group name of which GRP-FMT is a member. Attribute: CONTROL

An ASCII string of eight bytes used to indicate the placement of the record within the group.

Relationship: RECORD

GRP-FMT is related N:1 to RECORD, with RECORD-NAME being the linking data-item.

Relationship: GROUP

GRP-FMT is related N:1 to GROUP, with GROUP-NAME being the linking data-item.

ENTITY: SEL-RULE

This entity (selection rule) is used to determine if the current group will be repeated, a new group will be selected, or the file terminated. The entity contains information on which group is to be selected and which function to use (append, replace, add, etc.).

Attribute: PREDICATE

An ASCII string of 28 characters which is tested to determine which rule will be selected. The following conditions prevail:

1. Each predicate is a proposition which is either true or false when tested.

2. The predicates are tested in the order given, and the first predicate found true prevails. Subsequent predicates are not tested.

3. Each predicate consists of a data-item name, an operator, and either a constant or another data-item name.

4. Data-items must be described in the CCD. All constants and variables must be of the same data-type. Operators are >, =, <, >=, <=, <>.

Attribute: FUNCTION

An ASCII string of eight characters containing the function to be used. The following functions are available:

- REPEATA Repeat, appended; this option repeats the current group and appends it to the previous group.
- REPEATO Repeat, overlayed; this option repeats the current group and overlays the pre-

vious group (this option is designed for use with screens).

- NEXTA Next group, appended; this function obtains the next group and appends it to the previous group.
- NEXTC Next group, cleared; this function obtains the next group and will clear the screen (or go to the top of the next page) before displaying the group.
- TERMINATE End of file; no new groups are obtained.

Attribute: FATHER-GROUP-NAME

The GROUP-NAME of the father of the current group. This attribute is used when the rule references the previous group.

Attribute: SON-GROUP-NAME

The GROUP-NAME of the son of the current group. This attribute is used when the rule references the next group.

Relationship: GROUP

SEL-RULE is related N:1 to GROUP, with the GROUP-NAME providing the linkage. The GROUP-NAME can be either the father of the current group or the son of the current group.

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Access Part

Like data-items, a complete description of files must include the functions that operate upon them. These are the access functions which this section is concerned with. The relevant entities are shown in Figure 5.

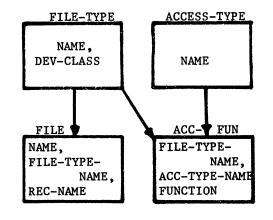


Figure 5

Each file must be of a type described by FILE-TYPE. These types may include sequential, direct access (hashing), indexed (KSAM, RELATE), IMAGE or other files. Each file contains an attribute which links it to a previously defined file type.

Likewise, there is a set of generic functions for files including read only, append only, update, read/write, etc. These are described in ACCESS-TYPE.

For each file-type and access-type, there is usually one function which provides that mode of access for that particular file type. Not all file-types support all modes of access.

The descriptions of these entities are as follows:

ENTITY: FILE-TYPE

This entity specifies the type of each file, and by relationship, the access function for each file type.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of eight bytes used to name the various file types.

Attribute: DEV-CLASS

An ASCII character string of eight bytes which contains the device class name on which the file type resides.

Relationship: FILE

FILE-TYPE is related 1:N to FILE, with FILE-TYPE-NAME being the linking data-item. This relationship links all files of a given type.

Relationship: ACC-FUN

FILE-TYPE is related 1:N to ACC-FUN, with FILE-TYPE-NAME being the linking data-item. This relationship indicates the functions for access of a given file-type.

ENTITY: ACCESS-TYPE

This entity represents the various access modes that are available for items, files, and programs. In the attribute ACCESS-TYPE, each bit of the integer represents an access function. If the bit corresponding to a given function is set to 1 then that function is allowed in the access type. An access type can consist of one or more functions. The functions - and their corresponding bit positions — available as part of the dictionary are:

Bit	Function	Explanation
7	Exclusive	Access to data is given to this user only
8	Read	User is allowed to read data
9	Append	User may append new data
10	Update	User may modify existing data
11	Delete	User may delete records
12	Create	User may create files
13	Purge	User may delete files
14	Execute	User is allowed to execute or stream files
15	Locking	Files or items may be locked to prevent concurrent access

Examples are shown below.

		Decimal
Access Type	Bit Pattern	Value
Read only shared access	00000001000000	128
Read, update shared		
access with locking	000000010100001	161
Read, append, update		
exclusive access	000000111100000	480

Attribute: NAME

An integer containing the bit code representing the corresponding access type. NAME is referenced from other entities.

Relationship: ACC-FUN

This is a 1:N relationship between ACCESS-TYPE and ACC-FUN which indicates the functions which are used for data manipulation when a particular access mode is prevalent. The linking data-item for this relationship is ACCESS-TYPE-NAME.

Relationship: PGM-ACC

ACCESS-TYPE is related 1:N to PGM-ACC with the linking data-item being ACCESS-TYPE-NAME. This relationship indicates the mode of access used by a given program to a given file.

Relationship: FILE-ACC

The entity ACCESS-TYPE is related 1:N with FILE-ACC and has a linking data-item of ACCESS-TYPE-NAME. This relationship indicates the files which are accessible by a given user.

Relationship: ITEM-ACC

The entity ACCESS-TYPE has a 1:N relationship to ITEM-ACC which represents the items which are accessible by a particular user. The linking data-item is ACCESS-TYPE-NAME.

ENTITY: ACC-FUN

This entity represents the function that is used with a given access mode to reference a certain file type. Functions are external to the Data Dictionary and will be referenced when a file access is requested.

Attribute: FILE-TYPE-NAME

The name of a file type for which a function is used. Attribute: ACC-TYPE-NAME

The name of an access type for which a function is used.

Attribute: FUNCTION

The ASCII character string of eight bytes which names the function.

Relationship: ACCESS-TYPE

ACC-FUN is related N:1 to ACCESS-TYPE with a linking data-item of ACCESS-TYPE-NAME. This relationship indicates the functions which are used by a given access type.

Relationship: FILE-TYPE

This is an N:1 relationship between ACC-FUN and FILE-TYPE which indicates the functions that are used by a given file type. The linking data-item is FILE-TYPE-NAME.

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Application Part

Although not properly a part of the data descriptions, it is helpful to have information on programs and applications in the CDD. Particularly useful is knowledge of the relationships between programs and files; which programs use which files and in which mode of access.

This information is stored in the application part of the CDD as shown in Figure 6.

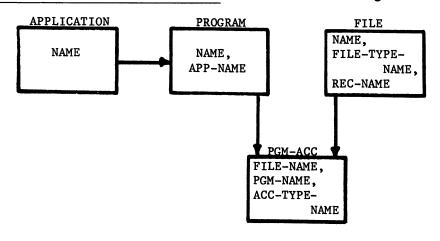


Figure 6

Each application area is given a name which is recorded in the entity APPLICATION. Each application owns a set of programs which are named in the PRO-GRAM entity. For each file accessed by each program, there is an entry in PGM-ACC which shows the mode of access for that particular program-file pair.

Since files commonly bridge application boundaries, there is no attempt to assign files to applications. The linkage exists implicitly through the programs.

The application part entities are described as follows:

ENTITY: APPLICATION

The entity APPLICATION represents the various applications whose data is described by the Data Dictionary. The users allowed to access an application are shown by the relationship to USER-APP.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII character string of eight bytes containing the name of an application. This name will be referenced from other entities.

Relationship: PROGRAM

APPLICATION is related 1:N to PROGRAM with a linking data-item of APPLICATION-NAME. This relationship indicates the programs included in an application area.

Relationship: USER-APP

This is a 1:N relationship between APPLICATION and USER-APP which indicates the user's given access to an application. The linking data-item is APP-NAME.

ENTITY: PROGRAM

This entity gives the name of each program which is currently part of the Comprehensive Data Dictionary. The entity will also indicate the relationship any program has to an application area. The relationship between PROGRAM and PGM-ACC shows the access the program has to files. Attribute: NAME

The ASCII character string of a maximum 26 bytes which contains the program name, group name, and account name necessary for accessing the file. This name will be referenced by other entities.

Attribute: APP-NAME

The name of the application to which this program belongs.

Relationship: APPLICATION

PROGRAM is related N:1 to APPLICATION. The linking data-item is APPLICATION-NAME. This relationship indicates the application area to which a program belongs.

Relationship: PGM-ACC

This is a 1:N relationship between PROGRAM and PGM-ACC which indicates the various access allowed between files and programs. The linking data-item is PROGRAM-NAME.

ENTITY: PGM-ACC

This entity is the unique intersection between ACCESS-TYPE, FILE, and PROGRAM. The entity represents the allowed file accesses for a given program. This entity is used to determine the mode of access allowed by each program to each file.

Attribute: FILE-NAME

The name of the file being accessed.

Attribute: PROGRAM-NAME

The program name of the program accessing the file.

Attribute: ACCESS-TYPE-NAME

The access type name which indicates the access mode for the access being defined.

Relationship: PROGRAM

PGM-ACC is related N:1 to PROGRAM with a linking data-item of PROGRAM-NAME. This relationship indicates which program is given access to the given file.

Relationship: FILE

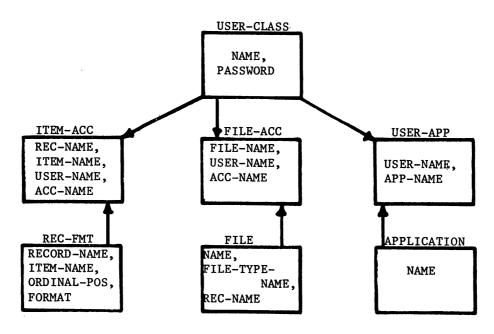
This is a N:1 relationship between PGM-ACC and FILE which indicates the file which can be accessed by the program. The linking data-item is FILE-NAME. *Relationship: ACCESS-TYPE*

The entity PGM-ACC is related N:1 to ACCESS-TYPE with a linking data-item of ACCESS-TYPE-NAME. This relationship indicates the type of access the program may use when referencing the file for a given PGM-ACC.

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Security Part

As with the application part, security is not properly a part of the data description. However, it is a necessary part of any application using the CDD and may conveniently be accommodated here. This information is contained in the part of the CDD shown in Figure 7.





Users of the CDD, or applications described therein, are identified by their USER-CLASS-NAME. Each such name has a password associated with it to verify authenticity. The name and password are recorded in the USER-CLASS entity.

The applications, and hence programs, to which a given user-class has access are determined by entries in the USER-APP entity. An entry must occur here for each user-class/application pair that is allowed.

Data access is controlled at two levels. A user must be allowed access at both levels to be successful. Where a conflict exists between the levels, the most restrictive case prevails.

Access to files is controlled by the FILE-ACC entity. For each allowed user-class/file pair, an entry names the user-class, file, and acces mode allowed.

Access to individual data-items is controlled within the context of records. For example, a certain userclass may be allowed to read the data-item EMPLOYEE-NAME within the context of a production record but not allowed to see the same item in the context of a payroll record.

Data-item access is controlled by the ITEM-ACC entity. The item, record, user, and access mode are identified to allow the user access to the specified item within the specified record.

The security part entities are as follows:

ENTITY: USER-CLASS

This entity represents the different classes of users that will be able to reference the data described by the Data Dictionary. Each user class is allowed access to a limited set of applications, files, and data-items. The type of access is controlled in each case.

Attribute: NAME

An ASCII string of eight bytes containing the name of a user classification. This name will be referenced from other entities.

Attribute: PASSWORD

An ASCII string of eight bytes containing the password which controls the availability of specific user classification accesses.

Relationship: USER-APP

The entity USER-CLASS is related 1:N to USER-APP with a linking data-item of USER-CLASS-NAME. This relationship indicates which applications are accessible by a user classification, and the modes of access allowed.

Relationship: FILE-ACC

USER-CLASS is related 1:N to FILE-ACC. The linking data-item is USER-CLASS-NAME. The files accessible by a user classification and the mode of access are indicated through this relationship.

Relationship: ITEM-ACC

USER-CLASS is related 1:N to ITEM-ACC and the linking data-item is USER-CLASS-NAME. The items accessible by a user classification and the mode of access are indicated through this relationship.

ENTITY: USER-APP

This entity represents the unique intersection between a user classification and an application. The intersection shows a user classification that is allowed access to a given application.

Attribute: USER-CLASS-NAME

The name of a user classification for which an application access is being defined.

Attribute: APP-NAME

The name of an application for which an access is being defined.

Relationship: USER-CLASS

This is a N:1 relationship between USER-APP and USER-CLASS. The linking data-item is USER-CLASS-NAME. The relationship indicates the user classification which is given access to an application.

Relationship: APPLICATION

USER-APP is related N:1 to APPLICATION with the linking data-item of APPLICATION-NAME. The relationship indicates the application to which a user classification is given access.

ENTITY: ITEM-ACC

This entity represents the unique intersection of three entities REC-FMT, USER-CLASS, and ACCESS-TYPE. The intersection defines an access by indicating which user classification can reference an item in a particular record and what mode of access is permitted.

Attribute: ITEM-NAME

The name of the item for which an access is being defined.

Attribute: RECORD-NAME

The name of the record for which an access is being defined.

Attribute: USER-NAME

The name of the user classification for the access being defined.

Attribute: ACCESS-TYPE-NAME

The name of the access type or mode for the item access being defined.

Relationship: USER-CLASS

ITEM-ACC is related N:1 to USER-CLASS with the

linking data-item being USER-CLASS-NAME. This relationship indicates the user classification that is given access to an item.

Relationship: ACCESS-TYPE

This N:1 relationship between ITEM-ACCESS and ACCESS-TYPE indicates the access mode allowed in referencing the item. The linking data-item is ACCESS-TYPE-NAME.

Relationship: REC-FMT

ITEM-ACCESS is related N:1 to REC-FMT and the relationship indicates which item of a particular record will be referenced through the access defined. The linking data-items for this relationship are RECORD-NAME and ITEM-NAME.

ENTITY: FILE-ACC

This entity is the unique intersection of USER-CLASS, ACCESS-TYPE and FILE. This entity represents the modes of access allowed in referencing a given file by a user class. The access is defined by the different relationships that are present in this entity.

Attribute: FILE-NAME

The name of the file for which the access is being defined.

Attribute: USER-CLASS-NAME

The name of the user classification for which the access is being defined.

Attribute: ACCESS-TYPE-NAME

The access type name which defines the file access. **Relationship:** FILE

This is a N:1 relationship between FILE-ACC and FILE. The linking data-item is FILE-NAME. This relationship indicates the file which will be referenced through the access defined.

Relationship: USER-CLASS

FILE-ACC is related N:1 to USER-CLASS and the relationship indicates the user classification that is given access to a file. The linking data-item is USER-CLASS-NAME.

Relationship: ACCESS-TYPE

FILE-ACCESS is related N:1 to ACCESS-TYPE with a linking data-item of ACCESS-TYPE. The access mode allowed by the defined access is indicated by this relationship.

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IMPLEMENTATION

Implementation of the CDD, done to date, is in three phases. First, a database is built to hold the data of the CDD. Second, the CDD is used to describe itself — a non-trivial exercise. Third, the CDD is used to describe some real-world applications.

The strengths and weaknesses of this CDD are assessed, based on the limited experience gained to date. Finally, future developments are briefly discussed.

Mapping the Model to a Database

The model of the CDD, described in the previous section, is in the form of a normalized, network, database. Thus, it is only natural to seek a database management system (DBMS) with which to implement it. Although IMAGE is based on the network model, it was rejected because of its rigidity and the limits of its two-level structure. Instead, RELATE/3000,* a relational DBMS was selected.

In mapping the model into RELATE, each entity becomes a Relation, or file. These files may each be indexed on any combination of keys. Attributes become data-items. Relationships cannot be explicitly shown in a relational DBMS, but are implicitly linked by shared data-item values.

Mapping the CDD into Itself

As a first exercise in mapping applications into the CDD, it was decided to map it into itself; i.e., use the CDD to describe itself. Since the CDD contains 22 entities, 37 data-items, and 29 relationships, the exercise is not trivial.

The initial mapping of the CDD into itself, using RE-LATE, is shown in Appendix A. Notice that some files are empty because the corresponding entities are not needed in this application. For example, at this time, there are no external files associated with the CDD, so the corresponding entities are empty.

Several small problems were encountered in this exercise. Several of the data-item and entity names had to be modified to conform to the naming conventions of RELATE. Since a full set of functions was not immediately defined for the standard data types, the TYPE-FUN entity was left empty. Likewise no programs were intially associated with the CDD.

Some problems of greater significance also appeared. One, that will doubtless reoccur in other applications, is that of composite data-items used as links in entity relationships. For example, both record-name and itemname are used as the linking item between REC-FMT and ITEM-ACC. Neither alone is sufficient. Yet provision is made for only one linking item in the RELA-TIONSHIP entity.

Another is the magnitude of records that can occur in some entities. For example, ITEM-ACC is limited only by the product of the number of records in ITEM, RE-CORD, ACCESS-TYPE, and USER-CLASS. At one time the number of records in these entities were 37, 22, 13, and 2 respectively giving a potential of 21,164 records in ITEM-ACC. While the actual number was only 284 it is still too large. Some kind of "wild-card" notation is being considered to reduce the number of records.

Another troublesome area is the representation of the

values of MIN and MAX in DATA-TYPE, and DE-FAULT in ITEM. The intention is that the binary or internal representations of these values be stored. However, this would require that these items be of different data-types in different records — a complexity beyond the ability of most DBMSs to handle. Two alternatives are apparent; either store them in external form, in which case all are stored as ASCII character strings; or declare them type long and left justify the actual value within the 64 bits.

Mapping Applications to the CDD

The press deadline for submission of this paper occurred too soon to allow much experimentation with real applications. The authors will be able to share these experiences when the paper is presented.

However, on the basis of early work done, some things have become obvious, and several changes or redefinitions are clearly indicated.

First, there is a substantial weakness in the area of composite data types. An additional entity needs to be created to link a composite data-type with its components. This will have several advantages over the present mechanism.

- 1. Arrays of any number of dimensions can be declared.
- 2. Composite types may have components of several different types.
- 3. Composite types may become components of more complex types.

Second, the whole access area is proving troublesome. Several issues need to be better defined including:

- 1. Better definitions of access modes and allowed combinations of modes.
- 2. A notation for item access that does not require a separate entry for each user-record-item intersection.

Third, some minor changes are needed in GROUP and GRP-FMT to accommodate the structure clash between external files and physical pages and screens. An attribute (LINE-NBR) can be added to GROUP to indicate the last line on which that group is allowed to begin. A current line number greater than this will trigger a new page.

Likewise a standard group must be added to each external file which will be inserted whenever a new page is triggered. This same group will also, automatically, begin each external file, thus eliminating initializing problems.

On the whole, real applications appear to be mapping in with very few other problems. In particular, the group structure for external file descriptions seems to work well. A final judgment must, however, await trials with "strange" external files as well as more standard ones.

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Future Developments

The next step is to complete the current development phase, i.e., testing the model against a variety of applications and refining it as indicated.

The next phase is to develop a "front-end" program to interface between the CDD and its manager. This program would perform the functions of adding, deleting, and modifying the contents of the CDD while checking for consistency. It would also provide formatted reports on the contents of the CDD.

To this point, the CDD will not have been used by processors to do production data processing. While it may prove very useful for documentation purposes, the principal value of the CDD is in its use in production. The development of the processors required to apply the CDD to production can proceed in three phases. While there is some overlap and interaction, they may proceed somewhat independently.

The first processor is a query/report/screen processor. It will move data between internal and external files. Thus, to produce a new report, it is only necessary to describe the report in the CDD. The processor can then produce the report from internal files. Likewise data could be transmitted between screens and internal files.

The second processor integrates the DBMS with the CDD. As mentioned earlier, presently available DBMSs each have a separate "schema" which describes only

the data in the database. This processor combines the DBMS with the CDD so that internal files are described in only one place.

The third processor is a program generator which relies on the CDD for all data descriptions. This may either be a compiler or interpreter. In either case very high-level statements would allow most programs to be expressed in a fraction of the number of statements required by typical languages. By removing the data descriptions and conversions from the program, only the functional parts need be expressed.

CONCLUSION

The CDD has, initially, shown the capacity to contain the total data descriptions needed for applications. Thus, it is a suitable base on which to build sophisticated processors which will greatly reduce the need for applications programming.

Research will continue in this direction. Meanwhile, it is hoped that others will benefit by this study and, in turn, contribute their experiences with data dictionaries to the common body of knowledge.

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APPENDIX A

INITIAL MAPPING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE DATA DICTIONARY INTO ITSELF USING RELATE/3000

BITS ITEMS: DATATYP MIN MAX CHECK FIX INEX EXIN -32768 INTEGER 16 32767 ASCII BINARY -1.15792*10 76 1.15792*10 76 REAL 32 'INEXT 'EXTIN -1.15792*10 76 1.15792*10 76 LONG 64 'INEXT 'EXTIN BYTE 8 0 255 LOGICAL 16 0 65535 ASCII BINARY DOUBLE -2147483648 32 2147483648 DASCII DBINARY

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FILE: DATATYP

FILE: ITEM

ITEMS:	ITEM	DATATYP	UCCUR	DCCUR	UCCUR	UEFAULT	UNIT
	DATATYP	BYTE	8	1	1		
	BITS	INTEGER	1	1	1		
	MIN	LUNG	1	1	1	Ú	
	MAX	LONG	1	1	1	U	
	CHECK	BYTE	8	1	1		
	FlX	BYTE	8	1	1		
	INEX	BYTE	8	1	1		
	EXIN	BYTE	8	1	1		
	ITEM	BYTE	12	1	1		
	KEY	BYTE	16	1	1		
	PUSITIUN	INTEGER	1	1	- 1	1	
	FILE	BYTE	26	1	1		
	TYPE	BYTE	ð	1	1		
	UNIQUE	BYTE	1	1	1	Т	
	OWN_FILE	BYTE	56	1	1		
	MBR_FILE	BYTE	26	1	· 1		
	PROGRAM	BYTE	26	1.	1		•
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	APPLICA	BYTE	8	· · · 1	1		
	TYPEFUN	BYTE	8	1	1		
	OCCURI	INTEGER	1	1 .	1	1	
	UCCUK2	INTEGER	1	1	1	1	
	ÚCCUR3	INTEGER	1	. 1	1	1	
	DEFAULT	BYTE	8	. 1	1		
	UNIT	ay re	8	1	1		
	RECORD	BYTE	16	1	1		
	FILETYP	BYTE	8	1	1		
	FUNCTION	BYTE	8	1	1		
	FÜRMAT	BYTE	20	1	1		
	GRUUP	BYTE	16	1	1		
	DEV_CLASS	BYTE	8	1	1		
	USER	BYTE	8	1	1		
	CONTROL	BYTE	ð	1	1		
	PREDICATE	BYTE	85	1	1		
	FTHRGRE	BYTE	16	1	1		
	SONGKH	BYTE	16	1	1		
	PASSWURD	BYTE	8	1	1		

FILE: RECORD

ITEMS: RECURD

RC-DATATYP	RC-KEYLTEM
RC-TYPEFUN	RC-PGMACC
RC-ITEM	RC-ACCFUN
RC-RECURD	RC+FILETYP
RC-RECFIET	RC+ITEMACC
RC=FILE	RC-PRÜGKAM
RC-GRÜUP	KC-APPLICA
RC-GRPF MT	RC-ACCIYPE
RC-SELRULE	RC-FILLACC
RC-RLTNSHP	RC-USERAPP
RC+KEY	RC-USERCLS

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ITEMS:	RECORD	ITEM	POS	FORMAT
	RC-DATATYP	DATATYP	1	
	KC=DATATYP	BITS	1	
	RC=DATATYP	MIN	3	
	RC-DATATYP	MAX	4	
	RC-DATALYP	CHECK	5	
	RC-DATATYP	FIX	6	
	RC-DATATYP	INEX	1	
	RC-DATATYP	EXIN	8	
	RC=TYPEFUN	TYPEFUN	1	
	RC-TYPEFUN	DATATYP	5	
	RC-ITEM	ITEM	1	
	RC-11EM	DATATYP	5	
	RC-ITEM	DCCUR1	3	
	RC-ITEN	OCCOR5	4	
		UCCUR3	5	
		DEFAULT	6	• •
		UNIT	7	
	•	RECORD	1	
		RECORD	1	
		ITEM	2	
	•	POSITION	3	
		FURMAT	4	
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		RECORD	2	
	RC-GROUP	GROUP	3 1	
		FILE		
	RC-GRPFMT	RECORU	2 1 2	
	RC-GRPFMT	GROUP	2.	
	RC-GRPFMT	CUNTROL	3	
	RC-GRPFMT		4	
		PREDICATE	1	
	RC-SELRULE		5	
	KC-SELKULE	FTHRGRP	3	
	RC-SELKULE	SONGRP	4	
	RC-RLTNSHP	OWN_FILE	1	
	RC-RLTNSHP	MBR_FILE	5	
	RC-RLTWSHP	1 TEM	3	
	RC-KEY	KEY	1	
	RC-KEY	FILE	2	
	RC-KLY	TYPE	3	
	RC-KEY	UNIQUE	4	
	RC-KEYLIEM	ITEM	1	
	RC-KEYITEM	KEY	5	
	RC-KEYITEM	POSITION	3	
	KC-PGMACC	FILE	1	
	RC+PGMACC	PROGRAM	2	
	RC-PGMACC	ACCTYPE	3 1	
	RC-ACCEUN RC-ACCEUN	FILETYP ACCTYPE	5	
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FILE: RECFMT

ITEMS:	RECURD	ITEM	PUS	FORMAT
	RC-ACCFUN	FUNCTION	3	
	RC-FILETYP	FILETYP	1	
	RC-FILLTYP	DEV_CLASS	2	
	RC-ITEMACC	RECORD	1	
	RC-ITEMACC	ITEM	5	
	RC-ITEMACC	USER	3	
	RC-ITEMACC	ACCTYPE	4	
	RC-PRUGRAM	PRUGRAM	1	
	RC-PROGRAM	APPLICA	2	
	RC-APPLICA	APPLICA	1	
	RC-ACCIYPE	ACCIYPE	1	
	RC-FILEACC	FILE	1	
	RC-FILEACC	USER	5	
	RC-FILEACC	ACCTYPE	3	
	RC-USERAPP	USER	1	
	RC-USERAPP	APPLICA	5	
	RC-USENCLS	USER	1	
	RC-USERLCS	PASSWORD	5	

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RELATE	RC-FILE
RELATE	RC-GRUUP
RELATE	RC=GRPFMT
RELATE	RC-SELRULE
RELATE	RC-RLINSHP
RELATE	RC-KEY
RELATE	RC-KEYITEM
RELATE	RC-PGMACC
RELATE	RC-ACCFUN
RELATE	RC-FILETYP
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RELATE	RC-PRUGRAM
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RELATE	RC-FILLACC
RELATE	RC-USERAPP

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FILE: RLTNSHP

ITEMS: UWN_FILE	MBR_FILE	ITEM
DATATYP	TYPEFUN	DATATYP
DATATYP	ITEM	DATATYP
ITEM	RECEMT	ITEM
LTEM	KEYITEM	ITEM
RECFMT	ITEMACC	ITEM
RECURD	RECFMT	RECORD
RECORD	GRPFMT	RECORD
RECORD	FILE	RECORD
FILE	GROUP	FILE
FILE	PGMACC	FILE
FILE	RLINSHP	OWN_FILE
FILE	RLINSHP	MBR_FILE
FILE	KEY	FILE
KEY	KEYITEM	KEY
GROUP	GRPFMT	GROUP
GRUUP	SELRULE	FTHRGRP
FILE	FILEACC	FILE
APPLICA	PRUGRAM	APPLICA
PRUGRAM	PSMACC	PROGRAM
APPLICA	USERAPP	APPLICA
USERCLS	USERAPP	USER
USERCE3	FILEACC	USER
USERCLS	ITEMACC	USER
ACCTYPE	FILEACC	ACCTYPE
ACCTYPE	ITEMACC	ACCTYPE
ACCTYPE	ACCFUN	ACCTYPE
ACCTYPE	PSMACC	ACCTYPE
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	DIR-ACC	480				IMAGE-UE		
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ITEMS: FILETYP ACCTY FUNCTION

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ITEMS:	ITEM	RECORD	ACCTY	USER
	DATATYP	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	BITS	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	MIN	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	XAM	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	CHECK	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	FIX	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	INEX	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	EXIN	RC-DATATYP	508	MANAGER
	TYPEFUN	RC-TYPEFUN	508	MANAGER
	DATATYP	RC-TYPEFUN	508	MANAGER
	1TEM	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	DATATYP	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	OCCUR1	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	OCCUR2	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	UCCUR3	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	DEFAULT	KC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	UNIT	RC-ITEM	508	MANAGER
	RECORD	RC-RECURD	508	MANAGER
	RECORD	RC-RECFMT	508	MANAGER
	ITEM	RC-RECEMT	508	MANAGER
	POSITION	RC-RECFMT	508	MANAGER
	FURMAT	RC-RECEMT	508	MANAGER
	FILE	RC-FILE	508	MANAGER
	FILETYP	RC-FILE	508	MANAGER
	RECORD	RC-FILE	508	MANAGER
	GRUUP	RC-GROUP	508	MANAGER
	FILE	RC-GROUP	508	MANAGER
	RECURD	RC-GRPFMT	508	
	GRUUP	RC-GRPFMT	508	MANAGER
	CUNTRUL	KC-GKPFMT	508	
	POSITION	RC-GRPFMT	508	
	PREDICATE	KC-SELRULE	508	
	FUNCTION	RC-SELRULE	508	
	FTHRGRP	RC-SELRULE	508	
	SUNGRP	RC-SELRULE	508	
·	UWN_FILE	RLINSHP	508	
	MBR_FILE	RLTNSHP	508	
	1TEM	RLTNSHP	508	
	KEY	RC-KEY	508	
	FILE	RC-KEY	508	
	TYPE	RC-KEY	508	
	UNIQUE	RC-KEY	508	
	ITEM	RC-KEYITEM	508	
	KEY	RC-KEYITEM	508	
	POSITION	RC-KEYITEM	508	
	FILE	RC-PGMACC	508	
	PROGRAM	RC-PGMACC	508	
	ACCTYPE	RC-PGMACC	508	
	FILETYP	RC-ACCFUN	508	
	ACCTYPE	RC-ACCFUN	508	MANAULK

FILE: ITEMACC

ITEMS:	ITEM	RECORD	ACCTY USE	R
	FUNCTION	RC-ACCFUN		A (* C 15
	FILETYP	RC-FILETYP		AGER
	DEV_CLASS	RC-FILETYP		AGER
	ITEM	RC-ITEMACC		AGER
	RECORD			AGER
	ACCTYPE	RC-ITEMACC		AGER
		RC-ITEMACC		AGER
	USER	RC-ITEMACC		AGER
	PROGRAM	RC-PROGRAM		AGER
	APPLICA	RC-PRUGRAM		AGER
	APPLICA	RC-APPLICA		AGER
	ACCTYPE	RC-ACCTYPE		AGER
	FILE	RC-FILEACC		AGER
	USER	RC-FILEACC		AGER
	ACCTYPE	RC-FILEACC		AGER
	USER	RC-USERAPP		AGER
	APPLICA	RC-USERAPP		AGER
	USER	RC-USERCLS		AGER
	PASSWORD	RC-USERCLS	508 MAN	AGER
FILE	: FILEACC			
ITEM	S: FILE		USER /	CCTY
	DATATYP		MANAGER	508
	TYPEFUN		MANAGER	508
	LTEM		MANAGER	508
	RECEMT		MANAGER	508
	RECORD		MANAGER	508
	FILE		MANAGER	508
	GRUUP		MANAGER	508
	GRPEMT		MANAGER	508
	SELRULE		MANAGER	508
	RLINSHP		MANAGER	508
	KEY		MANAGER	508
	KEYITEM		MANAGER	508
	PGMACC		MANAGER	508
	ACCFUN		MANAGER	508
	FILETYP		MANAGER	508
	ITEMACC		MANAGER	508
	PROGRAM		MANAGER	508
	APPLICA		MANAGER	508
	ACCTYPE		MANAGER	508
	FILEACC		MANAGER	508
	USERAPP		MANAGER	508
	USERCLS		MANAGER	508

The following files have trivial contents at this time, being either empty or having only one entry:

TYPEFUN	SELRULE	USERCLS	PGMACC
GROUP	PROGRAM	KEY	USERAPP
GRPFMT	APPLICA	KEYITEM	

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