

National Software Reference Library

Reference Dataset Version 3

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The National Software Reference Library (NSRL) is beginning the process of transitioning from the current Reference Data Set (RDS) format, RDSv2, to an updated format, to be known as RDSv3. The new RDSv3 format will include a number of major changes, which include publication as an SQLite3 database, the inclusion of SHA-256 hashes for published files, and incremental releases, along with other changes.

As a SQLite database publication, the RDSv3 format will allow users to more easily manipulate the data published in the RDS, while also including more product and file metadata. The RDSv3 publication also includes a more modern set of hashes, with the publication of SHA-256 file hashes, and the removal of CRC-32 file hashes. A copy of the current SQLite database schema for the RDSv3 publication is included at the end of this document, along with being included in the [RDS_2021.12.2_curated.zip file published on the NSRL website](#).

With the RDSv3 publication, it will also be possible for users to construct an RDSv2 like publication from data included in the RDSv3 format. Data in the four core NSRL files in RDSv2, NSRLFile.txt, NSRLMfg.txt, NSRLOS.txt, and NSRLProd.txt, will be stored in a set of four VIEWS in the RDSv3 SQLite publication, known as FILE, MFG, OS, and PKG (these views are defined below in the included RDSv3 database schema). The NSRL plans to provide a method for users to convert an RDSv3 publication into an RDSv2 like publication, for those who are interested.

RDSv3 will follow the same quarterly publication schedule currently used for RDSv2; the NSRL will publish RDS sets no later than the first Friday in the months of March, June, September, and December. There are two formats in which the NSRL will release RDSv3 publications, 1) a complete and full publication of the four RDS sets: Modern, Legacy, Android, and iOS, and 2) a “delta” publication of the four RDS sets: Modern, Legacy, Android, and iOS, covering changes that have occurred in the NSRL database since the previous RDSv3 publication. It is planned that the NSRL will be publishing complete and full RDSv3 publications in the first quarter of each year (March), and publish delta RDSv3 publications that build on the full publication in all four quarters (March, June, September, December). The delta RDSv3 publications will be a set of SQL INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE statements contained in a single SQL file, that can be run in the previous full RDSv3 SQLite database publication. The NSRL will provide instructions for constructing the most up to date full RDSv3 publication from a past release and the latest delta set publication.

The RDSv3 downloads will be available on the [NSRL website's download page](#) as a zip file. The contents of the zip file will depend on whether the publication is a full database release, or a delta release. In the full database publication, the zip file will contain the following:

- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>.db

- (ex. RDS_2022.03.1_modern.db)
- SQLite database publication of the RDS set
- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>.schema.sql
 - (ex. RDS_2022.03.1.schema.sql)
 - Current schema for the SQLite database publication
- readme.txt
 - Readme file containing information about the publication
- signatures.txt
 - SHA-1 hash signatures of the three above files published in the RDS set

In the delta RDSv3 publication, the zip file will contain the following:

- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_delta.sql
 - Full set of SQL INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE statements needed in order to update the previous RDSv3 database file to the latest version of published data.
 - It is intended that the user open the previous RDS database version in SQLite, and then run all statements in the given file. This can be done by using the following command while connected to the previous release database:
 - .read RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_delta.sql
 - Ex) .read RDS_2022.01.3_curated_delta.sql
 - This process will take a few minutes to complete.
 - Further update instructions can be found in this document below.
- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>.schema.sql (ex. RDS_2022.01.3.schema.sql)
 - Current schema for the SQLite database publication
- readme.txt
 - Readme file containing information about the delta publication
- signatures.txt
 - SHA-1 hash signatures of the above files to be published in the RDS set

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Updating an RDSv3 SQLite Database Using a Delta Publication

It is intended that updating a full database with a delta publication be done on an un-altered version of the full database publication of the same publication set. The delta publication should be run on the most recent previous full database publication of the same set.

Updating Via SQLite GUI Tool

On all operating systems, you must first move the downloaded delta SQL file to the same location as your RDSv3 database file. This includes adding the sha file containing the expected sha1 value of the RDSv3 database after updating via the delta publication to the same directory.

There are a number of SQLite GUI tools that can be used to interact with the RDSv3 SQLite database. These tools can work on any Windows, Mac, or Linux operating systems. Open the tool and the RDSv3 SQLite database from within the tool. Once in the tool, a previous version of the RDSv3 database can be updated, using the delta SQL file from within these tools anywhere you can enter and run direct queries.

While in a SQLite GUI tool, run the following command.

```
.read RDS_2022.01.3_curated_delta.sql
```

Do NOT copy and paste the entire contents of the delta SQL file directly into a SQLite GUI tool, as the delta SQL file will likely contain millions of lines.

Once updated, it is recommended that you close the database and GUI tool, in order to perform checks on the database. This will require opening a command line. See below the steps for validating the updated database with the provided sha file in the delta publication, using the command line on your preferred operating system.

Updating Via Command Line

On all operating systems, you must first move the downloaded delta SQL file to the same location as your RDSv3 database file. This includes adding the sha file containing the expected sha1 value of the RDSv3 database after updating via the delta publication to the same directory.

Windows

Install sqlite3

Updating the RDSv3 database

```
cd to the directory where your RDSv3 database is stored
sqlite3
sqlite3 RDS_2021.12.2_curated.db
.read RDS_2022.01.3_curated_delta.sql
.q
ren RDS_2021.12.2_curated.db RDS_2022.01.3_curated.db
```

Mac OS and Linux

Install sqlite3

Updating the RDSv3 database

```
cd to the directory where your RDSv3 database is stored
sqlite3 RDS_2021.12.2_curated.db
.read RDS_2022.01.3_curated_delta.sql
.q
mv RDS_2021.12.2_curated.db RDS_2022.01.3_curated.db
```

RDSv3 SQLite Database Publication Schema

The following RDSv3 SQLite database publication schema is also [available for download on the RDSv3 demonstration set published on the NSRL website.](#)

```
CREATE TABLE PACKAGE_OBJECT (
    package_object_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    package_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    object_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_PACKAGE_OBJECT__PACKAGE_OBJECT_ID PRIMARY KEY (package_object_id)
);
CREATE TABLE APPLICATION (
    application_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    package_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    name VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    name_b64 VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    name_coding VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    version VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    poe VARCHAR DEFAULT 'purchased' NOT NULL,
    build VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    latest_copyright VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    other VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    creation_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    update_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_APPLICATION__APPLICATION_ID PRIMARY KEY (application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_APPLICATION__PACKAGE_ID FOREIGN KEY (package_id) REFERENCES PACKAGE_OBJECT
(package_id)
);
CREATE TABLE APPLICATION_TYPE (
    application_type_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    description VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    creation_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    update_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_APPLICATION_TYPE__APPLICATION_TYPE_ID PRIMARY KEY (application_type_id)
);
CREATE TABLE APPLICATION_APPLICATION_TYPE (
    application_application_type_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    application_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    application_type_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_APP_APP_TYPE__APPLICATION_APPLICATION_TYPE_ID PRIMARY KEY
(application_application_type_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_APPLICATION_APPLICATION_TYPE__APPLICATION_ID FOREIGN KEY (application_id) REFERENCES
APPLICATION (application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_APPLICATION_APPLICATION_TYPE__APPLICATION_TYPE_ID FOREIGN KEY (application_type_id)
REFERENCES APPLICATION_TYPE (application_type_id)
);
CREATE TABLE LANGUAGE (
    language_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    name VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    creation_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    update_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    language_tag VARCHAR,
    CONSTRAINT PK_LANGUAGE_LANGUAGE_ID PRIMARY KEY (language_id)
);
CREATE TABLE APPLICATION_LANGUAGE (
    application_language_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    language_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    application_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_APPLICATION_LANGUAGE__APPLICATION_LANGUAGE_ID PRIMARY KEY (application_language_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_APPLICATIONI_LANGUAGE__APPLICATION_ID FOREIGN KEY (application_id) REFERENCES
APPLICATION (application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_APPLICATION_LANGUAGE__LANGUAGE_ID FOREIGN KEY (language_id) REFERENCES LANGUAGE
(language_id)
);
CREATE TABLE OPERATING_SYSTEM (
    operating_system_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
```

```

        name            VARCHAR DEFAULT ''                NOT NULL,
        name_b64        VARCHAR,
        name_coding     VARCHAR,
        version         VARCHAR DEFAULT ''                NOT NULL,
        architecture    VARCHAR DEFAULT ''                NOT NULL,
        creation_date    TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
        update_date     TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
        CONSTRAINT PK_OPERATING_SYSTEM__OPERATING_SYSTEM_ID PRIMARY KEY (operating_system_id)
    );
CREATE TABLE OPERATING_SYSTEM_APPLICATION (
    operating_system_application_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    operating_system_id            INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    application_id                 INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_OPERATING_SYSTEM_APP__OPERATING_SYSTEM_APP_ID PRIMARY KEY
(operating_system_application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_OPERATING_SYSTEM_APPLICATION__OS_APPLICATION_ID FOREIGN KEY (operating_system_id)
REFERENCES OPERATING_SYSTEM (operating_system_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_PLATFORM_APPLICATION__APPLICATION_ID FOREIGN KEY (application_id) REFERENCES
APPLICATION (application_id)
);
CREATE TABLE MANUFACTURER (
    manufacturer_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    name            VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    name_b64        VARCHAR,
    name_coding     VARCHAR,
    address1        VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    address1_b64    VARCHAR,
    address1_coding VARCHAR,
    address2        VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    address2_b64    VARCHAR,
    address2_coding VARCHAR,
    city            VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    city_b64        VARCHAR,
    city_coding     VARCHAR,
    stateprov       VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    postal_code     VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    country         VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    telephone      VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    fax             VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    url             VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    url_b64         VARCHAR,
    url_coding      VARCHAR,
    email           VARCHAR DEFAULT '' NOT NULL,
    creation_date   TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    update_date     TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_MANUFACTURER_MANUFACTURER_ID PRIMARY KEY (manufacturer_id)
);
CREATE TABLE MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION (
    manufacturer_application_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    manufacturer_id            INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    application_id             INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION__MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION_ID PRIMARY KEY
(manufacturer_application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION__APPLICATION_ID FOREIGN KEY (application_id) REFERENCES
APPLICATION (application_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION__MANUFACTURER_ID FOREIGN KEY (manufacturer_id) REFERENCES
MANUFACTURER (manufacturer_id)
);
CREATE TABLE MANUFACTURER_OPERATING_SYSTEM (
    manufacturer_operating_system_id INTEGER UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    operating_system_id              INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    manufacturer_id                  INTEGER          NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_MANUFACTURER_OPERATING_SYSTEM__MANUFACTURER_OS_ID PRIMARY KEY
(manufacturer_operating_system_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_MANUFACTURER_OPERATING_SYSTEM__MANUFACTURER_ID FOREIGN KEY (manufacturer_id)
REFERENCES MANUFACTURER (manufacturer_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_MANUFACTURER_OPERATING_SYSTEM__OPERATING_SYSTEM_ID FOREIGN KEY (operating_system_id)
REFERENCES OPERATING_SYSTEM (operating_system_id)
);

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CREATE TABLE METADATA (
    metadata_id    NUMERIC UNIQUE                                NOT NULL,
    object_id      INTEGER,
    key_hash       VARCHAR                                    NOT NULL,
    image_hash     VARCHAR,
    path           VARCHAR                                    NOT NULL,
    path_b64       VARCHAR,
    path_coding    VARCHAR,
    file_name      VARCHAR                                    NOT NULL,
    file_name_b64  VARCHAR,
    file_name_coding VARCHAR,
    extension      VARCHAR DEFAULT ''                        NOT NULL,
    extension_b64  VARCHAR,
    extension_coding VARCHAR,
    bytes          INTEGER                                    NOT NULL,
    mtime          TIMESTAMP,
    used_in_rds    TIMESTAMP,
    update_date    TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP      NOT NULL,
    recursion_level INTEGER,
    extractee_id   INTEGER DEFAULT 0                        ,
    crc32          VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    md5            VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    sha1           VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    sha256         VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_METADATA__METADATA_ID PRIMARY KEY (metadata_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_METADATA__EXTRACTEE_ID FOREIGN KEY (extractee_id) REFERENCES METADATA (metadata_id),
    CONSTRAINT FK_METADATA__OBJECT_ID FOREIGN KEY (object_id) REFERENCES PACKAGE_OBJECT (object_id)
);
CREATE TABLE VERSION (
    version VARCHAR UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    build_set VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    build_date    TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP      NOT NULL,
    release_date  TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,
    description   VARCHAR NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT PK_VERSION__VERSION PRIMARY KEY (version)
);
CREATE VIEW FILE AS
    SELECT
        UPPER(md.sha256) AS sha256,
        UPPER(md.sha1) AS sha1,
        UPPER(md.md5) AS md5,
        CASE md.extension
            WHEN ''
            THEN md.file_name
            ELSE md.file_name||'.'||md.extension
        END AS file_name,
        md.bytes AS file_size,
        po.package_id
    FROM
        METADATA AS md,
        PACKAGE_OBJECT AS po
    WHERE
        md.object_id = po.object_id
/* FILE(sha256,sha1,md5,file_name,file_size,package_id) */;
CREATE VIEW MFG AS
    SELECT
        manufacturer_id,
        name
    FROM
        MANUFACTURER
/* MFG(manufacturer_id,name) */;
CREATE VIEW OS AS
    SELECT
        os.operating_system_id,
        os.name,
        os.version,
        mos.manufacturer_id
    FROM
        OPERATING_SYSTEM AS os,

```

```

        MANUFACTURER_OPERATING_SYSTEM AS mos
WHERE
    os.operating_system_id = mos.operating_system_id
/* OS(operating_system_id,name,version,manufacturer_id) */;
CREATE VIEW PKG AS
SELECT
    a.package_id,
    a.name,
    COALESCE(a.version, a.build, a.latest_copyright, a.other) AS version,
    osa.operating_system_id,
    ma.manufacturer_id,
    l.name AS language,
    at.description AS application_type
FROM
    APPLICATION AS a,
    OPERATING_SYSTEM_APPLICATION AS osa,
    MANUFACTURER_APPLICATION AS ma,
    APPLICATION_LANGUAGE AS al,
    LANGUAGE AS l,
    APPLICATION_APPLICATION_TYPE AS aat,
    APPLICATION_TYPE AS at
WHERE
    a.application_id = osa.application_id
AND
    a.application_id = ma.application_id
AND
    a.application_id = al.application_id
AND
    al.language_id = l.language_id
AND
    a.application_id = aat.application_id
AND
    aat.application_type_id = at.application_type_id
/* PKG(package_id,name,version,operating_system_id,manufacturer_id,language,application_type) */;

```


Minimal RDSv3 SQLite Database

There has been much interest by our users for including a minimal hash database version of the RDSv3 publication, which will reduce the size of the database and delta file downloads, by only including data that is equivalent to the old RDS 2.XX text files previously published by the NSRL. The minimal database publication mirrors the FILE, MFG, OS, and PKG views of the full publication database, but will only contain the set of FILE data that includes just distinct SHA256 hashes (reference the minimal database schema below).

Currently, the NSRL is only planning to publish the minimal database for the Modern hash set, as this set has received the most interest for the inclusion of a minimal database. The NSRL may publish minimal databases for other hash sets, if there is sufficient demand.

The minimal RDSv3 download will be available on the [NSRL website's download page](#) as a zip file. The contents of the zip file will depend on whether the publication is a full database release, or a delta release. In the full database publication, the zip file will contain the following:

- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_minimal.db
 - (ex. RDS_2022.03.1_modern_minimal.db)
 - SQLite database publication of the minimal RDS set
- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_minimal.schema.sql
 - (ex. RDS_2022.03.1.schema_minimal.sql)
 - Current schema for the minimal SQLite database publication
- readme.txt
 - Readme file containing information about the publication
- signatures.txt
 - SHA-1 hash signatures of the three above files published in the minimal RDS set

In the delta minimal RDSv3 publication, the zip file will contain the following:

- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_minimal_delta.sql
 - Full set of SQL INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE statements needed in order to update the previous minimal RDSv3 database file to the latest version of published data.
 - It is intended that the user open the previous minimal RDS database version in SQLite, and then run all statements in the given file. This can be done by using the following command while connected to the previous minimal release database:
 - `.read RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>_minimal_delta.sql`
 - ex) `.read RDS_2022.01.3_modern_minimal_delta.sql`
 - This process will take a few minutes to complete.
 - Further update instructions can be found in this document below.
- RDS_YYYY.MM.<patch>_<set>.schema.sql (ex. RDS_2022.01.3.schema.sql)
 - Current schema for the SQLite database publication
- readme.txt

- Readme file containing information about the delta publication
- signatures.txt
 - SHA-1 hash signatures of the above files to be published in the RDS set

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Updating the Minimal RDSv3 Database

Updating the minimal RDSv3 database publication can be done using the same steps outlined above in the document, for updating the normal RDSv3 database publication with a delta SQL file. Be sure to only update the minimal RDSv3 database with a minimal RDSv3 delta file of the same hash set.

Minimal RDSv3 SQLite Database Publication Schema

```
CREATE TABLE FILE (  
  sha256      VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  sha1        VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  md5         VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  crc32       VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  file_name   VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  file_size   INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  package_id  INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT PK_FILE__FILE PRIMARY KEY (sha256, sha1, md5, file_name, file_size, package_id)  
);  
CREATE TABLE MFG (  
  manufacturer_id INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  name            VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT PK_MFG__MFG_ID PRIMARY KEY (manufacturer_id)  
);  
CREATE TABLE OS (  
  operating_system_id INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  name                VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  version             VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  manufacturer_id     INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT PK_OS__OS_ID PRIMARY KEY (operating_system_id, manufacturer_id)  
);  
CREATE TABLE PKG (  
  package_id      INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  name            VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  version         VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  operating_system_id INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  manufacturer_id INTEGER NOT NULL,  
  language        VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  application_type VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT PK_PKG__PKG_ID PRIMARY KEY (package_id, operating_system_id, manufacturer_id, language,  
  application_type)  
);  
CREATE TABLE VERSION (  
  version      VARCHAR UNIQUE NOT NULL,  
  build_set    VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  build_date   TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,  
  release_date TIMESTAMP NOT NULL,  
  description  VARCHAR NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT PK_VERSION__VERSION PRIMARY KEY (version)  
);  
CREATE VIEW DISTINCT_HASH AS  
  SELECT DISTINCT  
    sha256,  
    sha1,  
    md5,  
    crc32  
  FROM  
    FILE  
/* DISTINCT_HASH(sha256,sha1,md5,crc32) */;
```