# WARC Files

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## WARC File Format

#### WARC Record Types

- ★ warcinfo
- ★ response
- ★ resource
- ★ request
- ★ metadata
- ★ revisit
- ★ conversion
- ★ continuation

http://iipc.github.io/warc-specifications/specifications/warc-format/warc-1.1/

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#### Reference:

https://www.loc.gov/preservation/digital/formats/fdd/fdd0002 36.shtml#:~:text=The%20WARC%20format%20is%20a,from%2 0the%20World%20Wide%20Web.&text=A%20WARC%20forma t%20file%20is,one%20or%20more%20WARC%20records.

- Based on Internet Archive's ARC File Format. Hence the name Web ARChive.
- The WARC file consists of a concatenation of one or more WARC records.
- There are 8 types of WARC records seen as seen to the left.
- A WARC record consists of
  - The header
  - Then Record content block
- The header has mandatory named fields
  - Date
  - Type
  - Length of the record
  - Plus, other fields that assist in retrieval
- The content block contains resources in any format such as images or audio

```
WARC/1.0
    WARC-Type: warcinfo
    WARC-Date: 2011-02-25T18:32:19Z
    WARC-Filename: WIDE-20110225183219005-04371-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz
    WARC-Record-ID: <urn:uuid:88fbcbee-f24e-47c1-b0c4-f7a9530ceb74>
    Content-Type: application/warc-fields
    Content-Length: 442
    software: Heritrix/3.0.1-SNAPSHOT-20110127.213729 http://crawler.archive.org
10
    ip: 207.241.232.79
    hostname: crawl301.us.archive.org
11
    format: WARC File Format 1.0
12
     conformsTo: http://bibnum.bnf.fr/WARC/WARC ISO 28500 version1 latestdraft.pdf
13
    operator: kenji@archive.org
14
    isPartOf: wide
    description: seeds.txt
17
    robots: obey
    http-header-user-agent: Mozilla/5.0 (compatible; archive.org bot +http://www.archive.org/details/archive.org bot)
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209568 WARC/1.0

209569 WARC-Type: response

209576 Content-Length: 78688 209578 HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Server: Apache 209581 X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.16

209584 Connection: close

209571 WARC-Date: 2011-02-25T18:33:10Z

209573 WARC-IP-Address: 208.205.181.39

209579 Date: Fri, 25 Feb 2011 18:33:03 GMT

209582 X-Pingback: http://ricardo.parente.us/xmlrpc.php

Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8

<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" > <head profile="http://gmpg.org/xfn/11">

209570 WARC-Target-URI: http://ricardo.parente.us/tags/ireland/

209572 WARC-Payload-Digest: sha1:7GH2LBI4Q65JIU0MVNWNASD04DTPNK42

209574 WARC-Record-ID: <urn:uuid:db3a40a5-a313-40db-b63d-5406246d1ca3> Content-Type: application/http; msgtype=response

209583 Set-Cookie: PHPSESSID=26e4aa448afbaa96a525926fd7286028; path=/

<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8" />

<link rel="pingback" href="http://ricardo.parente.us/xmlrpc.php" />

<title>Ireland &laquo; ColdFusion Developers Network</title>

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.1//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml11/DTD/xhtml11.dtd">

<link rel="shortcut icon" href="http://ricardo.parente.us/wp-content/themes/arclite/favicon.ico" />

<link rel="alternate" type="application/rss+xml" title="ColdFusion Developers Network RSS Feed" href="http://ricardo.parente.us/feed/" />

<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript"> if (top.location != location) { top.location.href = document.location.href; }

Warcinfo record

Response record with html content

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209596 <link rel="alternate" type="application/atom+xml" title="ColdFusion Developers Network Atom Feed" href="http://ricardo.parente.us/feed/atom/" />
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## CDX (Internet Archive)

- Consists of individual lines of text that each summarize a web document
- Starts with a CDX legend that describes how each line of data is formatted.
- Used to create index files of Warc filef

#### CDX A b e a m s c k r V v D d g M n

0-0-0checkmate.com/Bugs/Bug\_Investigators.html 20010424210551 209.52.183.152 0-0-0checkmate.com:80/Bugs/Bug\_Investigators.html text/html 200 58670fbe7432c5bed6f3dcd7ea32b221 a725a64ad6bb7112c55ed26c9e4cef63 - 17130110 59129865 1927657 6501523 DE\_crawl6.20010424210458 - 5750

0-0-0checkmate.com/Bugs/Insect\_Habitats.html 20010424210312 209.52.183.152 0-0-0checkmate.com:80/Bugs/Insect\_Habitats.html text/html 200 d520038e97d7538855715ddcba613d41 30025030eeb72e9345cc2ddf8b5ff218 - 47392928 145482381 4426829 15345336 DE\_crawl3.20010424210104 - 6356

0-0-0checkmate.com/Hot/index.html 20010424212403 209.52.183.152 0-0-0checkmate.com:80/Hot/index.html text/html 200 52242643710547ff4ce2605ed03ed9e2 b06d037c06e7ffd7afc6db270aca7645 - 21301376 62305547 1855363 6627262 DE\_crawl6.20010424212307 - 6317

# CDX N b a m s k r M S V g 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?ntmpkzh=236900 20110225232158 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=236900 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 587 824729713 testWARCfiles/WIDE-20110225221304846-04388-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?ntmpkzh=265878 20110225190300 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=265878 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 587 231703167 testWARCfiles/WIDE-20110225184020081-04372-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?ntmpkzh=265880 20110225190427 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=265880 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 587 243878729 testWARCfiles/WIDE-20110225184020081-04372-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?ntmpkzh=266525 20110225232344 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=266525 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 586 987899236 testWARCfiles/WIDE-20110225220702321-04387-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?ntmpkzh=266527 20110225232226 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=266527 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 586 828862927 testWARCfiles/WIDE-201102252232344846-04388-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=660181887 20110225223223 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=660181887 20110225224003 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=660181887 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0I3OE - 586 463925916 testWARCfiles/WIDE-20110225215415804-04385-13730~crawl301.us.archive.org~9443.warc.gz 10,100,196,202)/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=660181887 20110225224003 http://202.196.100.10/musewebmain/dzyy/default.asp?nTmpKzh=660181887 text/html 200 4CVVD6FMLZCW73EVBVHVKBU4SPP0

#### Reference:

```
A canonized url
B news group
C rulespace category ***
D compressed dat file offset
F canonized frame
G multi-column language description (* soon)
H canonized host
I canonized image
J canonized jump point
K Some weird FBIS what's changed kinda thing
L canonized link
M meta tags (AIF) *
N massaged url
P canonized path
Q language string
R canonized redirect
S compressed record size
U uniqueness ***
V compressed arc file offset *
X canonized url in other href tags
Y canonized url in other src tags
Z canonized url found in script
a original url **
b date **
c old style checksum *
d uncompressed dat file offset
e IP **
f frame *
g file name
h original host
i image *
j original jump point
k new style checksum *
l link *
m mime type of original document *
n arc document length *
o port
p original path
r redirect *
s response code *
t title *
v uncompressed arc file offset *
x url in other href tages *
y url in other src tags *
z url found in script *
# comment
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## CDX legend (legend)

### **CDXJ**

- CDX but with the data inside a JSON
- Internet archive specifies that CDXJ begins with a header specifying version: !OpenWayback-CDXJ 1.0
- Followed by the record indexes broken up into 4 parts
  - 1. Searchable URI
  - 2. Timestamp,
  - 3. Record Type,
  - 4. JSON block
- Below is a WebRecorder generated CDXJ file. Note that it is missing an initial header and a record type field.
- de,kaze-online,shop)/images/products/small/pb0281.jpg 20110225183218 {"url": "http://shop.kaze-online.de/images/products/small/PB0281.jpg", "mime": "image/jpeg", "status": "200", "digest": "QG6N6SOXUHFK2BGT6EEGMNQMALUW5YAE", "length": "3418", "offset": "492", "filename": "example.warc.gz"}
  de,kaze-online,shop)/images/products/small/pb0281.jpg 20110225183218 {"url": "http://shop.kaze-online.de/images/products/small/PB0281.jpg", "mime":
  "application/warc-fields", "digest": "63ISG6NPUL62BR0J33LNYF4IIT2FXURK", "length": "409", "offset": "4359", "filename": "example.warc.gz"}