

Web based paper form verification using queXF

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What is web based paper form verification?

Data entry from paper forms using a web browser


1. A template (blank form) is scanned
2. Template is "banded"
3. Completed paper forms are scanned
4. System "guesses" responses using Optical Mark Recognition (OMR) and then allows an operator to confirm or modify the response using a web browser
5. Data can be exported as a CSV file, SPSS, DDI v2.0

What is queXF

- Open Source web based form verification system
 - Open Source
 - Free!
 - Can be modified/customised
- Runs on any web server that supports PHP and MySQL (most of them)
- Commercial support available if required

1. The paper form

- To be processed, a form must have
 - A barcode on each page identifying that page and form (not individual)
 - "Corner lines" for page alignment
 - Boxes with a similar width outline
- Tools to create the paper form (Limesurvey + queXML tools)



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2. Creating the template or "Banding"

- Process of marking fields as containing types of data and assigning them variable names

Section B - Your details

B1. Your full name

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

B2. Your email address

38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85

B3. Would you like this form to be scanned and an email sent to you to test out web based paper form verification on this form?

Yes 86

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- Disable this box group
- Set to type: Single choice
- Set to type: Multiple choice
- Set to type: Text and Numbers**
- Set to type: Numbers only
- Set to type: Barcode
- Set to type: Long text
- Delete this box
- Delete this box group
- Delete in between boxes

3. Scanning completed forms

- Forms scanned to PDF file
- Files uploaded to web server
- Files automatically batch processed by system
 - OMR is done on forms
 - First pass (computers guess) of verification stored



4. Verification

- Verification appears as an "overlay" on the scanned page
- Verification is done by pressing Enter to confirm a field is correct, or selecting the appropriate response
- Possible to add page notes

Verifier - QID:14 FID:5831 DESC:/var/fo... +

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Q:14 F:5831 P:191

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A1b
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B2b
B3

Data user review functions

- Review paper forms based on formId variable in data
 - Password protected and limited to data for that user
 - Can see the form page where the data was entered from in a web browser by entering in the formID

Review Form - FID:5831 

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F:5831 

Form: Variable:

Page:

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Comparison with CADE

Pro's

- Acts as a form repository so physical forms may be archived/destroyed
- Can be done anywhere with an Internet connection (once forms scanned in)
- Faster
- Possible to review w/o having physical access to paper form
- Performance measures built in

Con's

- Forms must be produced in a scan-able form (barcodes/etc)
- Forms must be scanned
- Additional software to install/maintain

Questions

- Questions
- Please fill in and return your form if you would like me to send you an invitation to test verification using your browser