13 RollingBarrel_FSS (Compact index and cache files) -EOL

Old functionality

This module has reached its end-of-life (EOL) status. This means that there will be no active development of this module.

(i) FEWS version

From FEWS version 2018.02 the index files are managed automatically. The index file are stored in the central database and shared by all OC and FSS. Therefore this module should not be used in version 2018.02 and higher.

Compact index and cache files

Because time series are combined in one record, FEWS uses a custom index to know which records are involved when reading time series. Expired records are automatically removed from the database but not from the index files that reside on forecasting shells. To do this the compact cache files activity should be scheduled on every forecasting shell daily. On operator clients and stand-alone systems this happens automatically. When the obsolete ModuleDescriptors.xml still exist the module "nl.wldelft.fews.system.plugin.rollingbarrel.RollingBarrelModule" is redirected to the compact cache file activity. The compact cache file workflow is not running the rolling barrel any more. The rows deleted by the MC Rolling Barrel are removed every time the forecasting shell starts when a local data store is used.

Compact_FSSCache.xml in WorkflowFiles

WorkflowDescriptors.xml in RegionConfigFiles

In the workflow mapping, the workflow should be set to; staggered-all. This will make sure the workflow is run on all FSS's, but not at the same time. Staggering time should be minimal 15 minutes.

Example of a log message when the compact cache is finished: 20-02-2016 04:53:46 INFO - TimeSeriesIndex.CompactFinished: 6 seconds, removed rows 142844/403158, removed time series 923/50598, removed groups 39168/100775, removed ids 8/13565, removed qualifier sets 0/0, removed id sequences 27256/78750, released memory 10 MB/45 MB

Every unique combination of time series that shares one record is called a group. Every unique sorted combination of ids for parameters, locations and qualifiers that exist in any group is called an id sequence. A unique sorted combination of qualifiers attached to one or more time series is called a qualifier set. Multiple qualifiers can be attached to a single time series.

Running the compact cache files regularly not only reduces disk space but also make the indexes more memory efficient and faster. When an external state zip directory is configured in the clientConfig.xml this module is also deleting state zip files that no longer exist in the database.