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PRESS RELEASE

Surround Technologies Releases Accelerator for Visual LANSA, New Version 7.5

Release packs Feature & Performance advances, supports LANSA V11 SP5, Themes

BLOOMFIELD, NJ – October 21, 2008 – Continuing a blistering release pace that fuels further Developer productivity, Surround Technologies today announced the immediate availability of Version 7.5 of its hallmark tool for the LANSA environment, Accelerator for Visual LANSA. The release is seen as extending Accelerator's lead as the most productive tool for the environment.

"Our Client base has rewarded us with fervent loyalty, but I think that comes from consistently delivering to their expectations" Lee Paul, CEO of Surround Technologies, offers, " But what's more, the IBM System i world loves extending the useful life of applications and the resultant ROI impact. We continue to focus on that for the future and have big plans to guarantee that further."

Notable feature additions to Accelerator 7.5 for Visual LANSA include new Plug-In's for Dashboards and Options, allowing easy development of flexible Business Monitoring controls to leverage your data's inherent Business Intelligence. The release also offers Business Objects XML interfaces, simplifying integration with other applications and systems. Another feature is full support for all of LANSA's Version 11 SP5 enhancements, including Themes.

Additional release inclusions are Report Generation output automatically to MS Word and MS Excel, support for Newlook software, and several performance, tuning and security refinements. More information and a detailed feature list are available online at www.SurroundTech.com or through any of Surround's offices.

About Surround Technologies

Surround Technologies develops highly usable software tools that accelerate custom application development for IBM System i, Windows, Unix and Linux Platforms. With offices in Bloomfield, NJ and Fort Myers, Florida, Surround provides software products and professional services that help enterprises around the world produce advanced agile software. Surround Technologies' Envision products appeal to companies large and small, and are in use modernizing applications at leading companies like Gannett, Verizon, & General Electric. More information available at www.SurroundTech.com.

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WHAT'S NEW IN ACCELERATOR V7.5

I. Enhancements Summary

LANSA Version 11 SP5 Support and Enhancements – Accelerator has been fully tested and certified to work with Visual LANSAs Version 11, Service Pack 5. Important considerations for this LANSAs release are OS/400 V6R1 support, Windows Vista Support, the long awaited Themes feature, and the introduction of new licensing and fees for the VL PRIM_ROM.

Options Plug-in – This new Plug-in makes the implementation of configurable options simple and fast providing a whole new level of dynamic agility in your software.

Dashboard Plug-in – Use this new plug-in to easily provide Business Intelligence (BI) and Business Activity Monitoring (BAM) controls to your systems to leverage your data's inherent business insights.

Business Objects XML Generation – Easily format your data in XML to quickly integrate with other systems and applications.

Report Generation in MS Word and MS Excel – The Module templates have been enhanced to generate summary list and detail reports using MS Word and Excel.

Security Enhancements – More features and a complete redesign of the administration modules make setting up and monitoring system security a snap.

Tracing – Program tracing has been built right into the base framework and allows developers to quickly track down bugs and performance bottlenecks.

Performance Improvements – Many improvements have been made to the system to significantly increase application performance.

Newlook SOArchitect – Integration with this fantastic tool will have you plugging your modernized green screens anywhere in the system you want.

II. Visual LANSAs Version 11.5 Support

A. PRIM_ROM License and Fee

LANSA has introduced a new license and associated fee for the direct programmatic access to the Visual LANSAs Repository Object Model (ROM). The ROM is exposed using a primitive object called PRIM_ROM in the Visual LANSAs integrated development environment (IDE) and provides the ability for a program to create, edit, delete and update any LANSAs Repository Object.

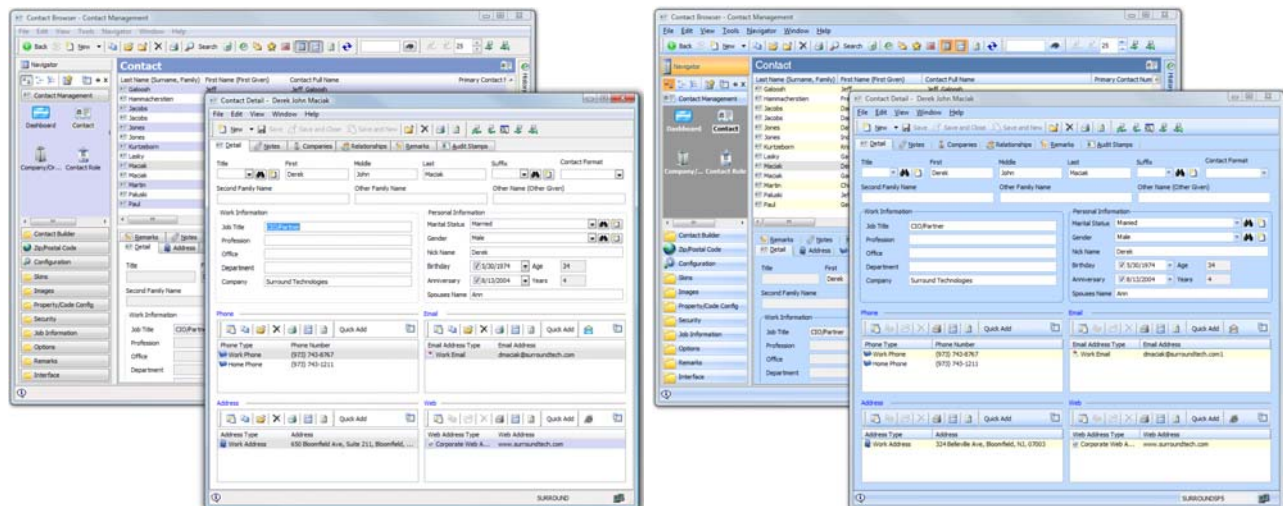
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Surround has had interfaces with the PRIM_ROM in Accelerator for several years now. These interfaces create and compile LANSAs Objects during system and object generation saving the developer countless hours of development time.

Surround has negotiated with LANSAs on behalf of our existing Accelerator clients that they will be grandfathered in and provided the new license at no additional cost. Accelerator customers upgrading to V11 SP5 should contact Surround to get further information for acquiring this license.

B. Themes

LANSAs has now provided this long awaited feature and it can significantly improve the visual appeal of your applications. Because of the underlying "Skins" architecture of Accelerator, Surround was able to implement this feature into the base functionality. Accelerator clients can turn the industrial, gun-barrel grey, Win 2K style into a modern Windows Vista/Office 2007 style without any modifications to their applications.



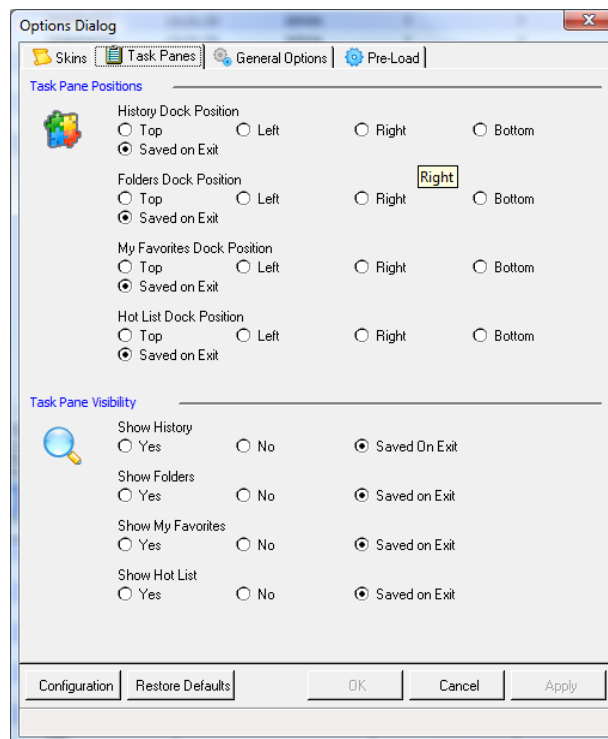
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III. Options Plug-in

This new Plug-in makes the implementation of configurable options simple and fast providing a whole new level of dynamic agility in your software. These options can be used for everything from system and business specific configuration settings to end-user preferences.

An Options Dialog provides access to end-user preferences and can be created in any system with absolutely no coding. For a clean user friendly interface, different options for different purposes can be grouped in tabs or a tab groups.

A developer simply enrolls information about an option including possible values, visualizations, defaults, etc. using the Options Administration. Options for end-user preferences automatically show up in the Options Dialog. The developer uses only a single line of code to get the current user option value to then code the appropriate action for that preference.

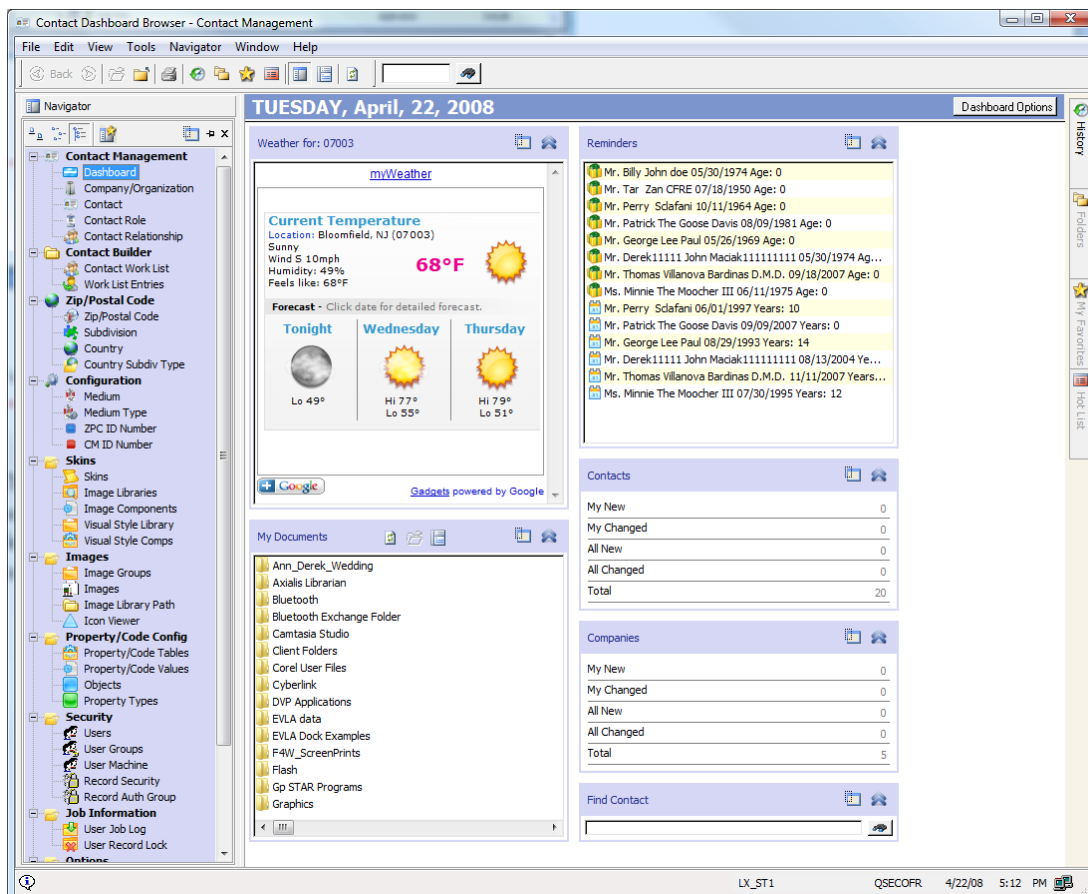


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IV. Dashboard Framework

Use this new plug-in to easily provide Business Intelligence, BI, and Business Activity Monitoring, BAM, controls to your systems to leverage your data's inherent business insights.

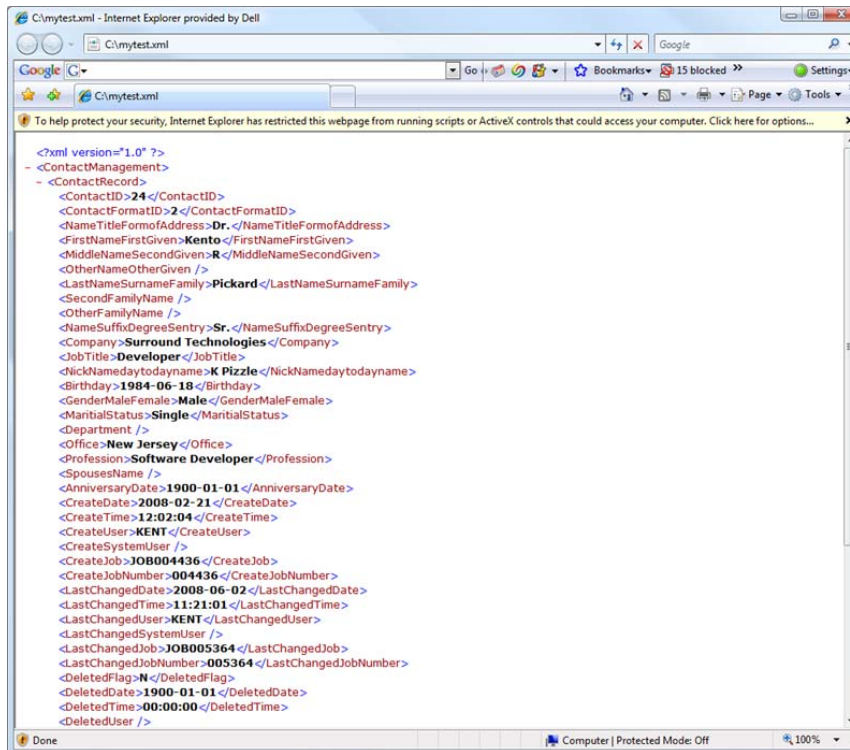
The Accelerator Framework provides the structure for easily integrating a Dashboard using a dashboard manager and dashboard parts. A developer creates dashboards parts and includes them in the Dashboard Manager. Accelerator does the rest including the ability for the user to have the option of what dashboard parts show and the display sequence.



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V. Business Objects XML Generation

Easily format your data in XML to quickly integrate with other systems and applications. The Business Objects now have the ability to provide and update information using XML. This is provided, without any coding necessary by the developer, using the underlying architecture of Business Objects and Services and the generated code. This functionality opens up a whole new realm of integration and interoperability with other systems and applications.



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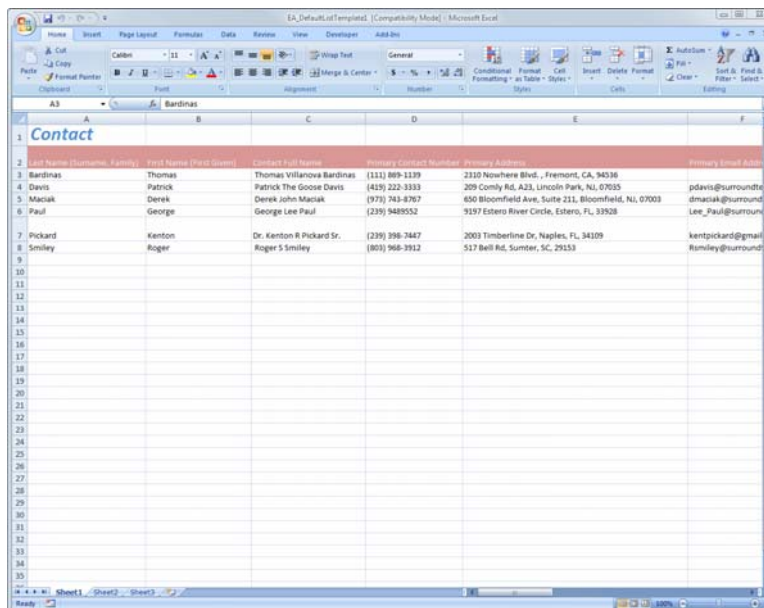
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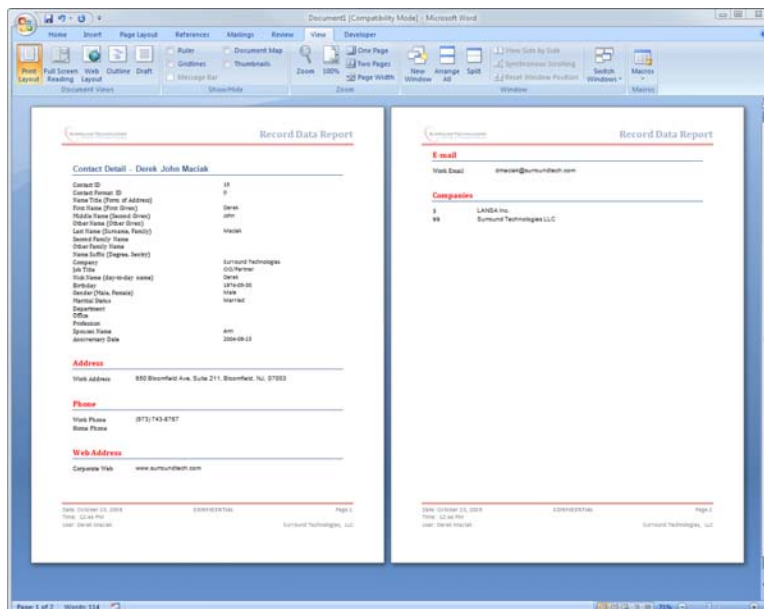
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VI. Report Generation in MS Word and MS Excel

Accelerator base architecture and generated source code has been enhanced to provide summary list and detail reports using MS Word and Excel without any additional coding by the developer. Simply generate and use. Word and Excel templates can be modified further to provide the desired reports and forms. You can now merge information from your systems into MS Word letters or labels to provide mailings or other material. Take data right from the list you are looking at on the screen and dump it into excel to email to a colleague or business partner.



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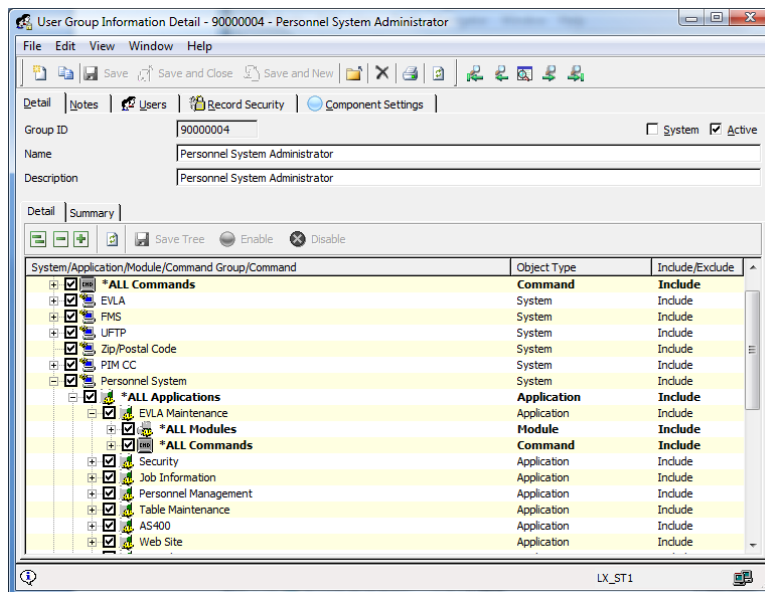
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VII. Security Enhancements

More features and a complete redesign of the administration modules make setting up and monitoring system security a snap.

A. User Group Authorization

The user group authorization interface was redesigned to make it easy for an administrator to add/remove security items. All Systems, Applications, Modules and Commands are presented in a hierarchical tree view in which authorization can be turned on or off just by checking the box.



B. Command Groups

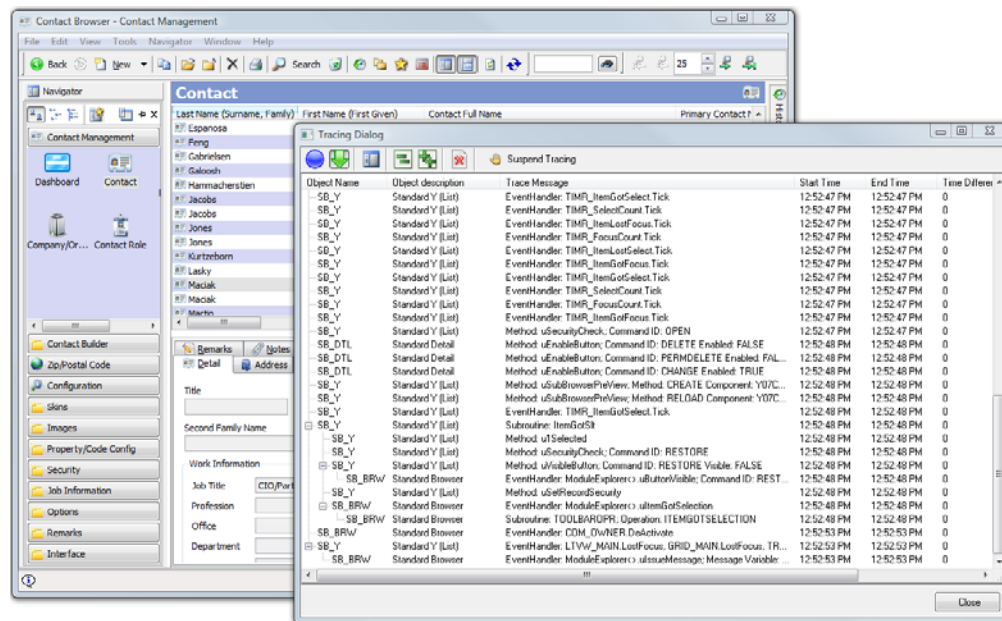
Commands can be set up in groups to make it easier to provide security settings on groups of commands all at once. For example, you can set up a group of commands that are only accessible by an Administrator and then easily secure them where necessary.

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VIII. Tracing

Program tracing has been built right into the base framework and allows developers to quickly track down bugs and performance bottlenecks. Tracing points are already including in the Base Framework and can provide significant information without any coding. Developers can also add in code to write to the tracing logs and analysis as well.

A Tracing Dialog provides access to the trace logs and allows the analyst to slice and dice the information to look for specific points of interest.



IX. Performance Improvements

Version 7.5 brings many improvements to systems performance, most of which are implemented seamlessly in the background, that results in an increase in end-user productivity.

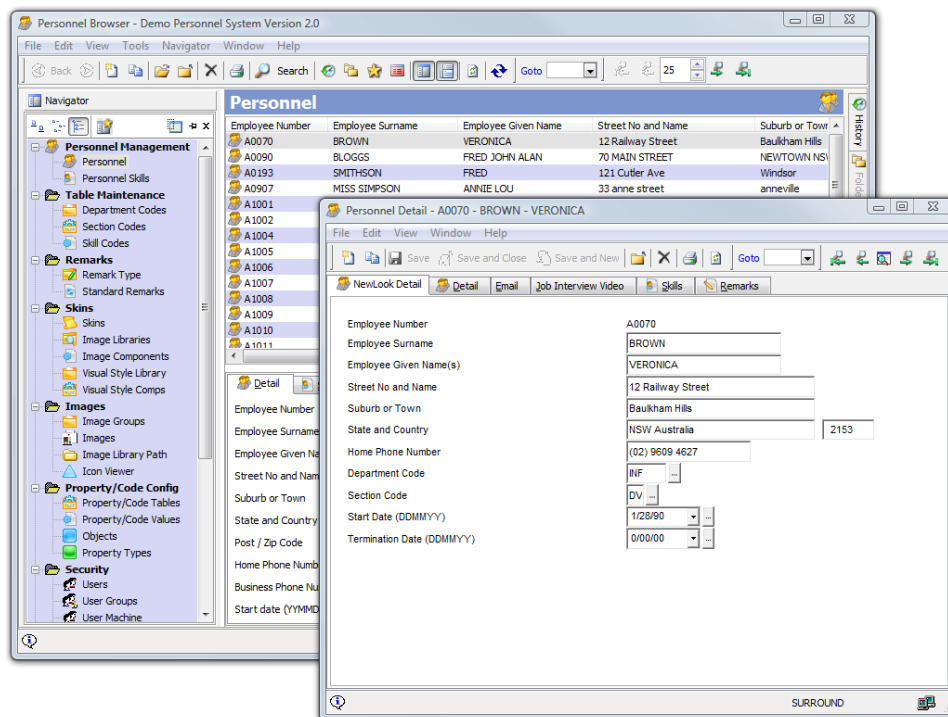
One new, configurable system setting allows for pre-loading of commonly used modules. The feature sacrifices a couple of seconds of system start-up time, so that heavily used modules are pre-built and ready to go once the system is running. These modules then are always kept in memory for optimized performance for the end-user. These settings can also be changed at any time to react to changing needs.

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X. Newlook SO Architect

Integration with this fantastic tool will have you plugging your modernized green screens anywhere in the system you want. Accelerator has supported plugging in different 5250 emulators for over 6 years now. Newlook, from Look Software, has become the clear winner for going well beyond emulation and providing full software modernization capabilities. The Newlook SOArchitect provides full scripting through 5250 screens and opens up great new ways of cherry picking your existing 5250 application functionality and plugging it into Accelerator.

Surround has created a Newlook wrapper that makes plugging modernized 5250 applications directly into Accelerator Modules incredibly simple. This feature is so powerful you will want to plug in screens all over the application. We recognized that and also created new controls to provide and manage multiple Newlook sessions throughout a system, making this complex technical challenge invisible to the developer. Once again, accelerating the development process.



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For more information on this great new functionality, please contact us.

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